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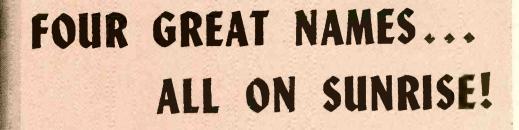
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RADIO'S TOP PROMOTERS IN '47

### 1947 Season **Biggest** for Silo Circuit

#### **Package Shows Declined**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Tho this was just about the biggest season in summer stock history, the packaging of shows for the silo circuit nose-dived a bit in the face of opposition from managers. There were about four less complete packages than last season season. The boys who run the strawhatters

would rather choose their own shows, have the fun of putting them together and not pay the added tariff of main-taining a resident company while the package is playing. Because the resident players are not acting, they frequently lose their personal popu-larity in the neighborhood and lose (See Strawhat Record on page 54)

### **Petrillo Set To Relax Curb On Amateurs**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .--- New loosening of previous prohibitory regu-lations cn non-professional broad-casting and recordings by the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) was revealed Friday (12) by Rep. Carroll D. Kearns (R., Pa.). Speaking at the first annual convention of the (See Petrillo Relaxing on page 28)

### **Para Free Juke?**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The Paramount Theater is toying with the idea of setting up a free-play juke box in the basefree-play juke box in the base-ment lounge. Sole records would be hit tunes of Mel Torme, Frankie Laine and the King Cole Trio, perhaps with other acts booked for near-future dates. Gimmick could be an automatic counter installed to poll the relative popularity and help determine future bookings, selling value and price to pay for the act.

### Radio, Pix, TV To Show In Hotel Spots

### **Tex McCrary Fixing Deal**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .-- Major hotel rooms around town may become showcases for television, film and radio packages if current negotiations Fadio packages in current negotiations between Tex McCrary and the hos-telry ops go thru. McCrary, half of the husband-and-wife team of Tex and Jinx (Falkenberg) now aired over the National Broadcasting Com-pany in a Mr. and Mrs. program known as Hi Jinx, plans to take over the complete booking job for hotel rooms and put in shows which rould rooms and put in shows which could (See Hotel Spots on page 53)

### **Mutual Cops Overall Prize** In 10th Annual Competition; **Stiff Fight in All Divisions**

#### NBC Wins for Single Campaign—CBS for Pubserv

NEW YORK. Sept. 13 .- After months of work, both of participating stations and by the staff of this publication, and after careful study by the board of judges, results are in on *The Billboard's* 10th Annual Radio Pro-motion Competition, the yearly industry-wide feature designed to select broadcasting's best promotion-exploitation. In a competition marked by stiff battles in every category, here is a quick look at some of the winners: Mutual took the network Overall prize; NBC the Single Campaign Division

Mutual took the network Overall prize; NBC the Single Campaign Division and CBS the Public Service laurels. stations) won the regional network Overall contest, CBS Pacific the Sin-gle Campaign win and Yankee Net-work the Public Service category. WLW, Cincinnati, one of the most promotion-minded stations in the business, won in web affiliate, clear channel Overall; KSTP's renowned fish-tag contest copped the Single Campaign prize and WHO romped in Public Service. Public Service.

KECA, KLZ, KUGN Take Laurels KECA, KLZ, KUGN Take Laurels In the network affiliate regional channel picture, KMBC, Kansas City, Mo., won Overall; KECA, Los An-geles, won Single Campaign; KLZ, Denver, won Public Service. Local channel web affiliate awards went to KUGN, Eugene, Ore., for Overall promotion; WOLF, Syracuse, for Sin-gle Campaign, and KVFD, Fort Dodge, Ia., Public Service. In the independent field, over 5,000 watts, WNEW, New York, is the Overall winner; WHN, New York, the Single Campaign champ, and

the Single Campaign champ, and (See 1947 Promotion on page 5)

SYDNEY, Sept. 13 .-- American and Canadian artists appearing in Aus-tralia will not be permitted to send all their earnings home under the government's drastic reduction of the use of dollars for the next year. Altho the amount they can send out of the coun-try has not yet been announced, well informed sources say it will be limit-ed to approximately \$3,250.

ed to approximately \$3,250. The limitation order may force per-formers who have been booked here to cancel their tours, altho David Martin, of the Tivoli Theater Circuit, biggest importer of American enter-tainers, said that only the highest-paid artists would be seriously affect-ed and he would endeavor to induce them to follow the example of English comic Tonmy Trinder, who invested the full profits of his tour, \$14,650, in Australian securities. Australian securities.

The Australian Broadcasting Com-mission, which was negotiating for a number of artists before the new ruling, will outline the new situation for these optication before similar ruling, will outline the new situation for these entertainers before signing any contracts. Harald Bowden, gen-eral manager of J. C. Williamson Theaters, Ltd., said he did not think American playwrights and composers would be seriously affected since they have on other occasions invested their Australian earnings here and most assuredly would do so again.

### Disk Jock Assn. **Expands**; Sets **Two More Units**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.-Two more CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—Two more chapters of the National Association of Disk Jockeys (NADJ) were of-ficially formed this week and plans were already under way by the three established locals of NADJ, set up thus far, to stage giant one-night pro-motions to raise funds for the new local chapters local chapters. The Chicago chapter, in its first

meeting, elected Eddie Hubbard, ABC Club, WIND, chairman; Dave Garro-way. 11:60 Club, WMAQ, secretary, and Jack L. Cooper, top local Negro (See Disk Jock Ass'n on page 28)

### NAB Meet Under Way **Turnout Sets Record; Code** Is Top Topic

#### **Hot Issues Stir Interest**

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 15.— An-nual convention of the National As-sociation of Broadcasters (NAB) is now under way, with a number of burning issues facing the delegates before adjournment Thursday (18). Top priority on the agenda was being given NAB's spanking new code, first, copies of which were distributed to the record turnout of delegates this morning. Altho official debate on the code is not slated until the final day of the session, the new standards are holding high interest from the outset. A lively battle is expected to de-velop in Thursday's debate over sev-eral sections of the code, with most of before adjournment Thursday (18). Top priority on the agenda was being given NAB's spanking new code, first, copies of which were distributed to the record turnout of delegates this morning. Altho official debate on the code is not slated until the final day of the session, the new standards are holding high interest from the outset. A lively battle is expected to de-velop in Thursday's debate over sev-eral sections of the code, with most of the fireworks expected to center (See Record NAB Meet on page 12)

Mildred Bailey May Tour Abroad: Stage, Niteries, Air

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Mildred Bailey is considering an offer to make an eight-week tour of Scandinavia. Switzerland, Paris and the American Zone in Germany. If she decides to make the tour, she will be accom-panied by Chubby Jackson and a combo of six or seven men, and pos-sibly pianist Lenny Tristano. The foreign booker, who is here now, is offering Miss Bailey a \$2.000-a-week guarantee for herself, against a per-centage, plus air transportation and all income tax paid over 5 per cent.

pearances for two weeks. If she takes this offer, either Tristano or Ellis Larkin will accompany her.

The dough being offered is considered unusually good, inasmuch as Miss Bailey ordinarily gets around Miss Bailey ordinarily gets around \$1,500-\$1,750 a week.

### I'll Be Seein' Ya

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 .- A WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—A hotel with a video screen in every room may become a real-ity in the not too distant future. The idea—one of the plans of Rogers Lacy, of Longview, Tex., and Tom Potter, of Dallas— seemed closer to reality this week when the Federal Com-munications Commission (FCC) granted the men a construction permit for a Dallas video out-let.

RADIO Communications to 1564 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.

### Improved Net Operations **Gets Support**

### Rise in Ad Costs Hit

By Jerry Franken ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 15.—The two divergent pressures in the battle over whether radio will take honest measures to raise its standards were thrown into sharp focus here last week at the first convention of the National Broadcasting Company (NBC). While Neil H. McElroy, vice-president of Procter & Gamble, warned the NBC affiliates against excessive tampering with commer-cials, Sigurd S. Larmon, of Young & Rubicam, and Charles G. Mortimer, of General Foods, both supported the industry's groping steps toward self-

Rubicam, and Charles G. Mortimer, of General Foods, both supported the industry's groping steps toward self-improvement. The NBC convention meanwhile was a sock success, drawing an at-tendance of almost 400, with reps from all but six of the 167 NBC affiliates. Affiliates voted whole-heartedly to continue the conven-tions on an annual basis, while at the same time supporting moves initiated by Niles Trammell to raise radio standards. One such move was a curfew on crime shows, the other was to support the proposed NAB code (see separate story in this issue). McElroy, Larmon and Mortimer ex-pounded their views during a forum held Friday (12). McElroy offered a strong defense of radio's status quo, adding that rising costs in broadcast-ing imperilled the industry's com-petitive position with relation to other media. If costs continue to climb, he *(See Improvements on page 14)* 

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### **NBC** Convention Highlights

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 15.—Here are the highlight develop-ments of the NBC Convention here last week: NBC, via speeches by RCA Board Chairman David Sarnoff, NBC Executive Vice-President Frank Mullen, and WNBT Manager Noran E. Kersta, showed that Item 1 on the NBC agenda for both the im-mediate and distant future is the development of NBC television net-work. Keynote was struck by Sarnoff, who warned NBC affiliates that by failure to get into video, they were not only passing up a rare opportunity but were jeopardizing their AM investments. Strong support was given the NAB code by a resolution adopted unanimously by NBC affiliates urging passage of a "more compre-hensive and improved code." The rump NBC affiliate group faded from the picture when station managers refused to support Harry Bannister, WWJ, Detroit, who opposed the improve-radio measure advocated by NBC Presi-dent Niles Trammell.

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dent Niles Trammell. NBC set up curfews for crime shows. Sharply divergent views as to the advisability of imposing further restrictions on commercials were expressed by top advertiser repre-sentatives. Charles G. Mortimer, of General Foods, and Sigurd S. Larmon, of Young & Rubicam, supported such action, while Neil McElroy, of Procter & Gamble, warned that moves in this direction might force accounts into other media. Stories giving greater detail on the NBC Convention are in the Radio Department of this issue.

### **Affiliates Back Crime Show Curfews; Support NAB Codes**

tion toward which Niles Trammell, the web's president, has been aiming for the past six months, when at the net's first convention here last week they approved a resolution establish-ing "curfews" for crime shows and another voicing unanimous support of the proposed NAB code. At the same time, the recent "rebellion" of NBC affiliates against Trammell's new policies faded into thin air when the stations refused to support Harry Bannister, WWJ, Detroit. Bannister was the spearhead in organizing a rump NBC affiliate group which now to all intents and purposes has dis-solved. solved.

Crime show curfew provides that Crime show curfew provides that no whodunit may be aired before 9:30 New York time or 8:30 local time in the Pacific or Mountain zones. Such shows will, effective January 1 next, be aired either thru delayed tran-scriptions or repeat broadcasts in the zones affected. Current contracts will not be affected until renewal time.

Some advertiser objections may re-sult from this move, since the repeat broadcasts would involve extra tal-ent costs. NBC now has but three whodunits: Mr. D. A. for Bristol-

### KinescopeRecorder Shown at NBC Meet

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 15.—A kinescope recorder, described as a "landmark in the development of television and of immeasurable bene-fit to affiliated stations coming into tele but not yet connected with the NBC network by a coaxial cable or relay," was shown to the affiliates at the NBC convention here Saturday (13). Device is a specially designed camera which can produce motion pictures direct from the face of a television picture tube. television picture tube.

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 15.—NBC affiliates took two steps in the direc-tion toward which Niles Trammell, the web's president, has been aiming the web's president, has been aiming

show may fade soon to be replaced by Show of the Year. Meanwhile Trammell has shelved the proposal that NBC affiliates dis-continue selling station-break com-mercials. Two reasons are given for this decision. One is the storm of squawks raised by the net's man-agers, who claimed the proposal im-periled their economic existence. The other is the hope that the new NAB code will provide means to combat excess commercialism, the basic aim of Trammell's steps to improve broadcasting standards: Bannister's group came into ex-istence last spring, following NBC's regional meetings at which Trammell first voiced his proposals. Despite his "defeat" here, Bannister stated here last week that he felt his or-ganization had accomplished its mis-sion, not only by postponing the sta-tion-break action, but in future de-velopments dealing with expansion of the NBC Station Planning and Ad-visory Council (SPAC). Bannister intimated that the irritant qualities of his campaign had paid off with constructive action. Convention tabled three proposals

of his campaign had paid off with constructive action. Convention tabled three proposals offered via Bannister, namely, that SPAC reps pay their own transporta-tion fees, thereby minimizing any obligation toward NBC; that an out-side agency conduct SPAC elections, instead of the NBC station relations department, and that SPAC member-ship be enlarged for greater web representation. representation.

### Webs Subscribe To BMB's Plan

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 15.—It appeared today almost a virtual cer-tainty that the four major networks would subscribe to the Broadcast Measurement Bureau (BMB) on the new BMB five-year plan. Three of the major networks have already de-cided to go ahead, these being ABC, CBS and NBC. Mutual was to hold a meeting late

Mutual was to hold a meeting late yesterday afternoon at which the BMB decision was to be made. From all reports, Mutual brass has decided to join the parade.

### LINES DRAWN IN CODE BATTLE **RCA Brass** Points Up **Tele Values**

NBC Investment Hits 22 Mil

#### By Paul Ackerman

By Paul Ackerman ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 15.—Top brass of the Radio Corporation of America and its subsidiary, the Na-tional Broadcasting Company, on Saturday (13) delivered to the web affiliates in convention here the strongest pitch to date on television. Stations, in effect, were advised to get into video quickly or suffer the alternative of serious economic con-sequences. Affiliates were indirectly admonished, wheedled and cajoled. And putting over the message for RCA and ABC were two of the strongest salesmen they possess— Brig. Gen. David Sarnoff, RCA chief, and Frank Mullen, NBC general manager. manager.

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 15 .--- Co--Incidental with NBC's drive here to get its affiliates into television on a much greater scale, it was revealed that the network's investment into that the network's investment into television so far has hit the stagger-ing sum of \$22,000,000. This dates from NBC's early video experiments. NBC's income this year from tele time sales are expected to reach \$800,000. Last year the total was \$500.000.

Sarnoff warned that those AM operators not in television will find their AM revenue decreased. Ho (See RCA & NBC on page 14)

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### **KIEV**, in Doghouse **One Year, Captures** Pubserv Win Next

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- One of the most startling reversals in radio annals was recorded this week by KIEV, Glendale, Calif., daytime 250watter. Cited only a little over a year ago in the Blue Book of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), KIEV today is the public service champion among independent stations under 5,000 watts after gain-ing that award in The Billboard's 10th Annual Promotion Competition.

Especially interesting was the fact nat KIEV won the award largely that on the basis of the pubserv aspects inherent in the programing itself rather than its publicity. The sta-tion, since the *Blue Book*, apparently developed a public service campaign (See KIEV Cops Pubserv on page 17)

### Meet the Judges

Here are the names of the judges who voted in this year's radio promotion competition:

#### **ADVERTISER PANEL**

J. M. Allen Bristol-Myers Co. Albert S. Dempewolff Celanese Corp. of America. Seymour Ellis Philip Morris & Co., Ltd. John Gilman Lever Bros. Co. J. Ward Maurer The Wildroot Co. Mrs. Ella B. Myers General Foods Corp. George Potter Prudential Insurance Co. of Americα W. M. Ramsey Procter & Gamble **Richard Rettig** Whitehall Pharmacal Co.

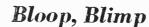


**Radio Promotion** 

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Competi-tion in all three categories—Over-all, Single Campaign and Public Service — was particularly fierce among independent stations of 5,000 watts and over in the 10th Annual Radio Promotion Competition. It was also in this category that New York metropolitan outlets showed to good advantage, with WNEW, WHN, WOV and WMCA scoring. WNEW won the Overall award, placing ahead of WOV. KSFO, San Francisco out-let, beat other contenders to take third. third.

In the Single Campaign class, WHN, Loew's outlet, took top honors with KMPC, Los Angeles, in second place. Another New York outlet, WMCA and Chicago's WJJD, tied for third In the public service ente third. In the public service cate-gory, KAKC, Tulsa, took the judges' nod to win first place. WOV which scored second in the Overall compe-tition tition, came back to take the deuce spot here, and WIBG, Philadelphia, followed in third position.

WNEW's Solid Entry WNEW's Solid Entry WNEW, Overall winner, submit-ted a tremendously solid poinfing up the station "tripartite" promotion policy, involving space-buying, time-for-space exchanges on a time-card basis, and thirdly and perhaps most important, "programotion." It's es-timated that some 2,500,000,000 peo-(See WNEW Leads on page 20)



NEW YORK, Sept. 13.— WNEW, New York, which won the indie station over 5,000, Overall promotion competition, was commended by the judges for its extensive pursuit of a space-time swap policy resulting in deals with a multiplicity of in deals with a multiplicity of

in deals with a multiplicity of publications. This week the station un-corked another new wrinkle, a swap deal with Douglas Leigh, Spectacular Sign specialist, whereby the station's call let-ters will be used on Leigh's blimp. It's a three-month deal. First showing of the blimp will be in Atlantic City. The blimp is to fly over the Board-walk at night spieling a WNFW

walk at night spieling a WNEW sales pitch. And dropping rate cards, no doubt.



NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—One of the closest of all the competition in *The Billboard's* 10th Annual Promotion Competition was that staged in the Frequency Modulation (FM) group-ing. The numerous entries in this division proved so closely bunched in quality that the judges had a dif-(See WFMR, WIZZ on page 20)

### **Overall** Prize To MBS; NBC And CBS Win

#### **10th Annual Contest Keen**

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(Continued from page 3) WOV, New York, the Public Service winner—a clean sweep for the big town. In the less than five kw. indie field, WGAY, the Silver Springs, Md., youngster, won Overall laurels; WAAF, Chicago, the Single Cam-paign blue ribbon, and KIEV, Glen-dale, Calif., the Public Service award. That KIEV win is quite a switch, for it was one of the cited Blue Book over-commercialization offenders.

### Three New Categories

Three new categories in the compe-Three new categories in the compe-tition this year were set up for tele-vision, FM and stations on the air after January 1, 1947—give or take a week or two. In tele, WNBT, New York, won the Single Campaign badge; WNBW, Washington, Overall. Both are NBC stations. The FM prize went to WFMR, New Bedford, Mass., and the new station honors went to KAKC, the wide-awake Tulsa newcomer. newcomer.

Individual stories in the Radio Department deal with the respective categories in greater detail.

categories in greater detail. Some salient facts as to the compe-tition itself. With some 300 entries, ranging from simple typed presenta-tions to elaborate, king-sized entries, it was the biggest in the 10 years *The Billboard* has conducted the sur-vey. For the record, fancy presenta-tions gained no advantage; judging was on the basis of contacts, not fancy facades. The judges, top advertiser-agency executives, spent virtually one entire business day tabbing the pro-(See 1947 Promotion on page 17) (See 1947 Promotion on page 17)



**AGENCY PANEL** 

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### **Radio Promotion** WNBW Takes TV Award; Second Place to WNBT; **Clean Sweep for NBC**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The top Overall promotion job in the Tele-vision Division of *The Billboard's* 10th Annual Promotion Competition, in the opinion of the noted members of the judges' panel, was that put on by WNBW, the Washington video outlet of National Broadcasting Com-outlet of National Broadcasting Com-10th Annual Promotion Competition, in the opinion of the noted members of the judges' panel. was that put on by WNBW, the Washington video outlet of National Broadcasting Com-pany (NBC). Making it a clean sweep for NBC, the web's New York outlet, WNBT, gained the other video gonfalon for its efforts on a Single Campaign. The WNBW award was made on the basis of that station's outstanding

The WNBW award was made on the basis of that station's outstanding performance, not only in promoting its own debut but for its efforts in making Washington television con-scious, when only 400 to 600 sets were in the city. Latter effort was done, not only thru usual media such as ads, window displays, booklets and press parties, but also in connection with RCA's T-Day and general pro-motion for tele. One method which WNBW adopted to acquaint Washingtonians with tele-

to acquaint Washingtonians with tele-vision and which attracted considerable attention from the judges was

### **Radio Promotion Promosh Lax** In Canadian **Radio Outlets**

### But Some Do a Fine Job

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—To judge from the number of entries received from the Canadian stations in the 10th Annual Promotion Competition, it ap-pears that Dominion stations are sur-prisingly lax in showmanship. With almost 300 entries received in the entire competition, only a handful-in the neighborhood of 25—bore Ca-nadian postmarks. It's not a favor-able commentary on Canadian radio. To some measure, tho, those sta-tions which did enter, and those sta-tions which did enter, and those sta-tions which won, compensated for the lack of activity elsewhere. Some of the Canadian jobs were really socko, as detailed later. First, tho, the winners:

the winners: CKWX, Vancouver, B. C., in the network affiliate-regional channel di-vision of the Overall category; CFBC, St. John, N. B., network affiliate-regional channel division of the Single Campaign competition; CKCK, Begina Sack in the network affili-Regina, Sask., in the network affili-ate-local channel division of the (See Promosh Lax on page 28)



As for WNBT, in capturing the Single Campaign prize, its attention (See WNBW TV Winner on page 18)

### **Radio Promotion Regional Stations Outshine** Key Centers; KMBC, KECA, **KLZ Take First Honors**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Competi-tion in the regional channel-network affiliate category of *The Billboard's* 10th Annual Promotion survey was particularly sharp, with hinterland stations making a stronger showing than outlets in the key radio produc-tion centers. Latter fact is of par-ticular significance and indicates that radio savvy and know-how is widely

subtleties of radio promotion. Top winners in the Overall, Single Campaign and Public Service di-visions of the regional channel-net-work affiliate category are, re-10th Annual Promotion survey was particularly sharp, with hinterland stations making a stronger showing than outlets in the key radio produc-casting System outlet in Kansas City; tion centers. Latter fact is of par-ticular significance and indicates that radio savvy and know-how is widely dispersed among the stations of the nation. This is a happy situation, for it is important—and necessary from an industry viewpoint—that there be no geographic monopoly on the

nual Radio Promotion Competition, managed to win awards in more than one category. These are the outlets which, in so keen a battle as this, can really take themselves an extra bow.

WLW, Cincinnati—First place in Overall promotion; third place in Pub-

lic Service promotion, network affiliate,

clear channel division. WKY, Oklahoma City, covered it-self with a double dose of laurels, α third place in Single Campaign promo-(See 4 Stations Double on page 20)

Here's the list:

clear channel division.

### **Radio Promotion**

### The Network Box Score

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Top network in the 10th Annual Promo-tion Competition, from the standpoint of winning affiliates, was NBC, which found five of its stations taking first places; four deucing and six coming in third. On a basis of three points for wins; two for seconds and one for thirds, this gives NBC 29 points, seven more than Mutual, which finished second in the web tally. Mutual had five wins, three seconds and one third. Included in each net's total point score are credits for any wins the network itself might have won in the network promotion compe-tition. However, NBC's score does not include two first places in television, (WNBW and WNBT). With those added, NBC's total score would run to 35 points, 13 more than Mutual. Here's the breakdown, and a list of station winners: First Second Third NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- Top network in the 10th Annual Promo-

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			First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Point
1	Vetwork	*	Winners	Winners	Winners	Total
- 7	ABC		3	2	1	14
				2	2	18
1	MBS		5	3	1	22
j	NBC		5	4	6	29

### Four Stations Win **Radio** Promotion Double Awards in 15 '46 Winners **Promotion** Derby Repeat in '47; NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Four sta-tions, out of the 300 which submitted entries in *The Billboard's* 10th An-nual Radio Promotion Competition, **WOV** Score Best

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- Some 15 NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Some 13 radio organizations—stations and networks—gained for themselves the enviable record of repeating victories scored in the 1946 Ninth Annual Radio Promotion Competition in this year's poll. Best individual record was scored neither by a network nor was scored neither by a network hor a network affiliate, but by an inde-pendent—WOV, New York, the only outfit to win two awards each year. WOV copped its medal via public service and over-all promotion in both years

service and over-all promotion in both years. KLZ, Denver; WKY, Oklahoma City, and WLW, Cincinnati, are in a three-way stand-off, each having accumulated three wins in the two-year period. In the network picture, Mutual repeated its over-all 1946 win this veer: CBS won in single cam-Mutual repeated its over-all 1946 win this year; CBS won in single cam-paigns last year and pubserv in '47, and NBC followed suit, with each web reversing its win this year as against last. CBS Pacific Network likewise repeated its single campaign win in 1947's competition. List of repeats stack up thus: Mutual Broadcasting System, Over-All, 1946 and 1947.

All, 1946 and 1947. Columbia Broadcasting System, (See 15 '46 Winners on page 20)

### **Radio Promotion Indie Station Entries Marked** By Originality

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- A bumper NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—A bumper crop of original promotional ideas marked the entries of independent stations of less than 5,000 watts in *The Billboard's* 10th Annual Promo-tion Competition. One of the out-standing conclusions to emerge from the judges' sifting of these entries was that large promotional expendi-tures are not an absolute guarantee of success. This became evident as some stations operating with minimum

success. This became evident as some stations operating with minimum budgets walked off with honors in this division, because of the origi-nality of their campaigns. In Overall promotion, for ex-ample, WGAY, 1,000-watter in Silver Spring, Md., took top honors. Here was a station which did not com-mence broadcasting until last Decem-ber and faced a budget problem ber, and faced a budget problem which placed a distinct limitation on such promotional methods as direct (See Indie Station Entries, page 22)

### **Radio** Promotion WLOW Gets **New Station** Leadership

Many Fine Single Campaigns

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Promo-tional problems facing new stations taking to the air are frequently more complex than those of an outlet with a continuing promotional effort. Con-(See WLOW Tops on page 22)

### **10th Annual Radio Promotion Competition** THE WINNERS

### **OVERALL**

NATIONAL NETWORKS 🛾 st 🛧 MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM Edgar Kobak, Pres. E. P. H. James, Vice-Pres., Promotion, Research and Adv. REGIONAL NETWORKS 1st \* PACIFIC NORTHWEST BROADCASTERS Ed Craney, Pres. S. J. Schile, Prom. Mgr. NETWORK AFFILIATES, CLEAR CHANNEL CLEAR CHANNEL 1st \* WLW, CINCINNATI James D. Shouse, Pres. David Partridge, Dir. of Prom. Activities 2d \* WOR, NEW YORK Theodore C. Streibert, Pres. Joseph Creamer, Prom. Dir. 3d \* (IIE) KYW, PHILADELPHIA Leslie W. Joy. Gen. Mgr. Arthur C. Schofield, Sales Prom. Dir. 3d \* (IIE) WWVA, WHEELING, W. VA. William E. Rine, Managing Dir. Howard W. Meagle, Sales Prom. Dir. NOWBRU W. Meagle, Sales Prom. Dir. NETWORK AFFILIATES, REGIONAL CHANNEL 1st \* KMBC, KANSAS CITY, MO. Arthur B. Church, Gen. Mgr. Tom Rucker, Sales Prom. Mgr. 2d \* KDYL, SALI LAKE CITY S. S. FOX. Pres. Frank K. Baker, Pub. Dir. 3d \* KLZ, DENYER, COLO. Hugh B. Terry, Mgr. Hugh B. Terry, Mgr. E. Lee Fowdren, Prom. Mgr. NETWORK AFFILIATES, LOCAL CHANNEL Ist ★ KUGN, EUGENE, ORE. S. W. McCready, G 2 S. W. McCready, Gen. Mgr. Harvey Dagering, Program Dir. 2d ★ KELO, SIOUX FALLS, S. D. Sam Fantle Jr., Pres. Anton Moe, Sales Prom. Dir. 3d ★ KRGV, WESLACO, TEX. O. L. Ted Taylor, Exec. Gen. Mgr. Thelma Pearce, Sales Prom. Dir. INDEPENDENT STATIONS, 

 INDEFENDENT STATIONS,

 5,000 WATTS AND OVER

 Ist ★ WNEW, NEW YORK

 Bernice Judis, Mgr.

 John B. B. Sullivan, Sales Prom. Mgr.

 2d ★ WOV, NEW YORK

 Ralph N, Weil, Gen. Mgr.

 Judith Vallen, Sales Prom. Mgr.

 3d ★ KSFO, SAN FRANCISCO

 Philip G, Lasky, Gen. Mgr

 Philip G. Lasky, Gen. Mgr. David Meblin, Sales Prom. Mgr. INDEPENDENT STATIONS, UNDER 5,000 WATTS UNDER 5,000 WATTS
 1 st \* WGAY, SILVER SPRING, MD. John W. Kluge, Pres. Joseph L. Brechner, Mgr.
 2 d \* WITH, BALTIMORE Thomas G. Tinsley Jr.. Gen. Mgr. Robert C. Embry, Sales Prom. Mgr.
 3 d \* WFOX, MILWAUKEE Charles J. Lanphier, Gen. Mgr. Grace Landre, Pub. Dir. AM STATIONS IN OPERATION ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 1947 ON OK AFTER JANUART 1, 1746 Ist X WLOW, NORFOLK E. L. Scott, Pres. W. M. Carpenter, Mgr. 2d X WDVA, DANVILLE, VA. J. D. Pruitt, Pres. Walter M. Windsor, Gen. Mgr. Ra 🛧 NONE **U.** S. TELEVISION STATIONS Ist ★ WNBW, WASHINGTON Carleton Smith, Mgr. Loren Myers, Prom. Mgr. U.S. FM STATIONS St ★ WFMR, NEW BEDFORD, MASS. Tom Wertenbaker Jr., Acting Mgr. Od ★ WIZZ, WILKES-BARRE, PA. Bichard G. Evans, Pres. WKNB-FM, NEW BRITAIN, CONN. Bob Martineau, Mgr. **CANADIAN STATIONS, NETWORK** AFFILIATES, CLEAR CHANNEL NONE

### PUBLIC SERVICE

NATIONAL NETWORKS Ist ★ COLUMBIA BROADCASTING SYSTEM Frank Stanton, Pres. William Golden, Prom. Dir. REGIONAL NETWORKS Text A VANUE NETWORK PACTON Ist ★ YANKEE NETWORK, BOSTON John Shepard III, Gen. Mgr. James S. Powers, Prom. Dir. NETWORK AFFILIATES, CLEAR CHANNEL 

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 1st ★ WHO, DES MOINES

 Maurice E. McMurry, Sales Prom. Mgr.

 2d ★ WIIC, HARTFORD, CONN.

 Paul W. Morency, Gen. Mgr.

 3d ★ WIW, CINCINNATI

 James D. Shows Prov.

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CANADIAN STATIONS, NETWORK AFFILIATES, LOCAL CHANNEL

### SINGLE CAMPAIGN

NATIONAL NETWORKS **Ist** ★ NATIONAL BROADCASTING COMPANY Niles Tranmell, Pres. Charles P. Hammond, Dir. of Prom. REGIONAL NETWORKS 1 st + COLUMBIA BROADCASIING SYSTEM PACIFIC NET Donald W. Thornburgh, Vice-Pres. 

 INETWORK AFFILIATES,

 CLEAR CHANNEL

 Ist \* KSIP, MINNEAPOLIS

 Stanley Hubbard, Manager

 Sam Levitan, Prom. Mgr.

 2d \* WCBS, NEW YORK

 Arthur Hull Hayes, Mgr.

 Jules Dundes, Adv. and Prom. Mgr.

 3d \* WSB, ATLANIA

 John M. Outler Jr. Gan. Mar.

 NETWORK AFFILIATES, John M. Outler Jr., Gen. Mgr. Jean Hendrix, Publicity NETWORK AFFILIATES, REGIONAL CHANNEL ■ st ★ KECA, LOS ANGELES Clyde P. Scott, Mgr. William J. Davidson 

 Clyde F. Scott, Mgr.

 William J. Davidson, Program Dir

 WFIL, PHILADELPHIA

 Roger W. Clipp, Gen. Mgr.

 James T. Quirk, Sales Prom. Mgr.

 3d ★ WKV, OKLAHCMA (IIY

 P. A. Sugg, Gen. Mgr.

 Tom Rucker, Prom. Mgr.

 on, Program Dir. NETWORK AFFILIATES, LOCAL CHANNEL LOCAL CHAINNEL Ist \* WOLF, SYRACUSE, N. Y. E. R. Vadeboncoeur, Gen. Mgr. Albert J. Gillen, Sales Prom. Mgr. 2d \* WSLI, JACKSON, MISS. L. M. Sepaugh, Gen. Mgr. M. B. Wray, Sales Prom. Mgr. 3d \* WIAX, SPRINGFIELD, ILL. Oliver J. Keller, Pres. and Mgr. INDEPENDENT STATIONS, 5,000 WATTS AND OVER 🗑 st 🛧 WHN, NEW YORK Herbert L. Pettey, Director Robert G. Patt, Sales Prom. Mgr. 2d ★ KMPC, LOS ANGELES Anire, LD AROELES
 G. A. Richards, Pres. Robert O. Reynolds, Gen. Mgr.
 (IIE) WMCA, NEW YORK Charles Stark, Gen. Mgr. Howard Klarman, Sales Prom. Mgr.
 (IIE) WJJD, CHICAGO, ILL. Arthur F. Harre, Gen. Mgr. Arthur F. Harre, Gen. Mgr. Edward Short, Pub. Dir. INDEPENDENT STATIONS, UNDER 5,000 WATTS Ist ★ WAAF, (HICAGO Ward A. Neff, Pres. Bradley R. Eidmann, Gen. Mgr. 2d ★ WSUA, BLOOMINGTON, IND. 3d \* Warren G. Davis, Pres. and Gen. Mgr. WCMW, CANION, O. Merlin Schneider, Pres. AM STATIONS IN OPERATION ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 1947 st \* KWEM, WEST MEMPH'S, ARK. George P. Mooney, Mgr. Bill Trotter, Com'l Mgr. **U. S. TELEVISION STATIONS** ■ st ★ WNBT, NEW YORK Noran E. Kersta, Mgr. Charles Hanimond, Prom. Dir. CANADIAN STATIONS, NETWORK AFFILIATES, CLEAR CHANNEL NONE CANADIAN STATIONS, NETWORK AFFILIATES, REGIONAL CHANNEL 1st ★ CFBC, ST. JOHN, N. B. Norman Botterill, Mgr NO SECOND OR THIRD CANADIAN STATIONS, NETWORK AFFILIATES, LOCAL CHANNEL St + CKCK, REGINA, SASK.

Victor Sifton, Pres. NO SECOND OR THIRD P. B. Keffer, Gen. Mgr. The **Billboard** 

**Judges Picking Promotion Winners** 





Photos on this page shows some of the judges in The Billboard's Promotion Competition studying entries before balloting. Photo at top, left, shows (1. to r.) John Gilman, Lever Bros.; John Hymes, Biow Company, and Ted Steele, Parton & Rowlaw Benton & Bowles.

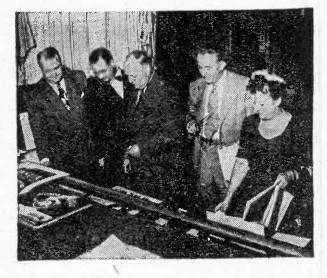
Frank Kemp, Compton Agency; Wickcliffe Crider, B.B.D.GO., and Rich-ard Rettig, Whitehall Pharmacal Com-pany (1. to r.) shown second from top, at left, ponder over network affiliate, regional channel entries.

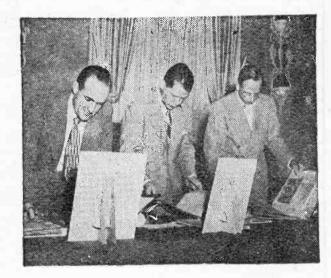
Pursing his lips in serious contemplarursing nis tips in serious contempla-tion, Chester MacCracken, of Doherty, Clifford & Shenfield, works his way thru some of the 300-odd entries with Stanley Pulver (center), of Dancer, Fitzgerald & Sample, and Mrs. Ella B. Myers, advertising manager of General Foods Foods

At left, bottom photo (I. to r.), J. M. Allen, of Bristol-Myers Company; Dom Stauffer, Sullivan, Stauffer, Colwell & Bayles; shirt-sleeved William B. Lewis, Kenyon & Eckhardt, and William M. Ramsey, Procter & Gamble, pore over the network entries in the Radio Promotion Competition.

At top, right (1. to r.), Tom Revere, Donahue & Coe; J. Ward Maurer, the Wildroot Company; George Potter, vice-president, Prudential Insurance Com-pany of America; Ray Sullivan, Sullivan, Stauffer, Colwell & Bayles, and Linnea Nelson, J. Walter Thompson, confer as to wining onticis to winning entries.

At bottom, right, Seymour Ellis, ad-vertising manager of Philip Morris; Ken-dall Foster, William Esty Company, and Albert S. Dempewolff, Celanese Corportion of America, getting ready to cast their votes for radio's best promotion work.





### **Radio Promotion** How Winners Were Picked; Judges Avoided All Bias

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Painstak-ing care and exhaustive study of every entry received earmarked the judging by the board of judges in this year's—the 10th—Annual Radio Promotion Competition, conducted by The Billboard. Every possible meas-ure which could be arranged to insure a fair unbiased shake for every entry ure which could be arranged to insure a fair, unbiased shake for every entry was undertaken. As a result, the awards, in the considered opinions of this paper's editorial staff, represent selections which not only tabbed the winners with the highest degree of accuracy, but which represent the judgment of men and women from the advertiser-agency fields best fitted to make those selections. Judging took place September 3 at the Wedgwood Room of the Waldorf. The judges—their names are listed elsewhere in this week's radio depart-ment—devoted the greater part of one full working day to making their selections.

form the contents of Report on Radio Promotion, 1946-1947, a 300-page book to be distributed at the conven-tion of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) in Atlantic City. At the Wedgwood Room, a copy of the report was attached to each entry, and those which were graded "out-standing," "excellent" or "good" were marked accordingly. Entries which did not rate in these groups were not labeled. labeled.

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### **Radio** Promotion

### WLW, With a First and Third, Sensation of National Race; **KSTP and WHO Also Winners**

clear channel network affiliates en-tered in *The Billboard's* 10th Annual Promotion Contest was the winning by WLW, Cincinnati, of first honors in the overall promotion division and third prize for public service promo-tion. This feat, in view of the numtion. This feat, in view of the num-ber of outstanding entries submitted by the major web affiliates, proved one of the most spectacular of the en-tire competition. KSTP, Minneapolis, won the first prize for a single cam-

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Highlight- paign, while WHO, Des Moines, led ing the competition among the many the awards list for public service pro-

motion. WLW's prize-winning entry in the WLW's prize-winning entry in the overall division was labeled by the judges as "a compendium of informa-tion, a veritable bible of promotional material." Scarcely a promotional facet was untouched by the station, which, without accepting the gim-mick, the fancy or the cute type of promotion, delivered an all-embrac-ing campaign on the highest levels of (See WLW Is Sensation on page 18) (See WLW Is Sensation on page 18)

### **Special Award 10 "UNFINGERED" SILVER DOLLARS**

Probably the most unusual entry received in this year's promo-tion competition came from WFOM, Marietta, Ga., a 250-watt in-dependent outlet. The entry was unusual, not for a lavish physical get-up, but because of what it said.

After one reading of the WFOM entry, the judges in the com-petition, as well as *The Billboard* staffers, agreed that WFOM rated some sort of special award—and after you read the following, you'll see why we awarded the "10 'unfingered' silver dollars."

The award, a special scroll framed in cartwheels, will go on to the station after it is displayed at *The Billboard's* exhibit at the NAB convention in Atlantic City. Come in and take a gander, but meanwhile, read the following WHOM entry excerpts:

CAMPAIGN:

Can you sell fish? PARTICIPANTS:

Employees of WFOM except station manager and salesmen. PURPOSE:

A. To acquaint employees with our advertising rates and the know-how in getting advertisers on the air. B. To know WFOM's selling points.

To get acquainted with as many prospective advertisers C. as possible.

D. To create a "family" among all those working for WFOM. PRIZE:

Ten (10) silver dollars to the winner—the person securing the most advertising in dollars and cents during that one week. BUILD-UP:

The manager wrote the following letter to each of the employees: "Would you like to win 10 SILVER DOLLARS? Are you a salesman? Can you sell fish? "We want each member of the staff of WFOM to sell some advertising—to sign up some customers on a contract blank—to know how our rate card works—to know WFOM's selling points. Sometimes the best salesman is stilled honesth a pile of voting do know how our rate card works—to know WFOM's selling points. Sometimes the best salesman is stifled beneath a pile of routine de-tail duties and never lets the world know that he can talk turkey for business reasons. Here IS YOUR chance to prove how hepped you are—a chance to talk WFOM with the people you trade with. "Here is how it's going to work: We are giving each of you several contract blanks and a rate card and the information you need. The one who secures the most amount (in dollars and cents) of advertising wins the purse, 10 SILVER DOLLARS. "Here are a few simple facts concerning the contest; read them over and then go out and sell—sell WFOM—sell ADVERTISING— sell yourself!

over and then go out and sen-sen it can be advertising in sell yourself! "The prize goes to the person securing the most advertising in dollars and cents. Sell all you can. "No incoming telephone advertising requests will count. "TEN SILVER DOLLARS goes to the winner, but if the adver-tiser fails to pay his bill—the winner must default the prize. "When this campaign is over, we can tell who 'CAN SELL FISH'."

Ten silver dollars were secured and for a few days prior to campaign date the employees had a chance of "fingering" the silver pieces. On the campaign date the coins were hung with visible tape as a fish line on the studio bulletin board, along with a chart showing in thermometer fashion the progress of each contestant.

#### **RESULTS:**

RESOLIS. To the surprise of all, the results were exceedingly gratifying. In the last three hours of the campaign, Program Director Charles Beresford was \$2.50 ahead of contender, Engineer William Granberry. At the close of the campaign, Granberry had succeeded in securing another \$5 contract which placed him in first with \$398.50 in signed contract sales. The program director fell in second the second se The total sales during the week for all contestants amount to well over

\$2,000.

One surprising factor of the entire campaign, causing Broadcast magazine to write the "fisn" campaign up was the sales of the maid, Hattie Scott. She signed up advertisers among her own community which are still on the air today.

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### **Radio Promotion** HIGHLIGHTS AND . . . HONORABLE MENTIONS

A station in Jasper, Ala., sounds an insurance company-spon-sored siren every time a fire occurs in town; a station in Oklahoma City has a safety campaign featuring jingles on mock tombstones; a Washington station exposed a phoney veterans' benefit boat ride; in Florida, a broadcaster tossed "floating treasure" bottles into the Atlantic, while in California, an outlet had Gregory Peck auction off a bathing suit while worn by a curvaceous beauty! These were among the original ideas which flodded into The Billboard's 10th Annual Promotion Competition. So, to the following stations, whether winners or not, for their ingenuity and their hard-hitting promotions, The Billboard delivers warm honorable mentions: WNBC, New York, clear channel NBC affiliate, for its bang-up job on overall promotion, with the emphasis on thoroness rather than the spectacular, and particularly for its remarkably productive

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the spectacular, and particularly for its remarkably productive
"Salute to the Cities" campaign.
 WGAR, Cleveland, clear channel CBS affiliate, for its helicopter hops to cities now within its listening range where wirerecorded interviews, played back later, made a host of new friends.
 WWWB, Jasper, Ala., local channel MBS affiliate for breaking
into regular shows during local fires with a sponsored announcement of the location and size of the fire, urging citizens to stay
away from the scene.

away from the scene. WWDC, Washington, independent, for uncovering a phoney vet-benefit boat ride, exposing it publicly and causing it to be can-celled within 72 hours.

#### **FM** Pioneering

FM Pioneering
WGYN, New York FM station, for pioneering with full-time
FM broadcasts and for bringing FM to the attention of people by
piping its programs into factories and amusement parks.
KSDJ, San Diego, regional channel CBS affiliate, for getting
flm star Gregory Peck to aid its Cancer Fund drive by auctioning
a hand-painted swim suit virtually off the back of a lush damsel.
WONS, Hartford, Conn., regional channel MBS affiliate, for
tying up its publicity with Lieut. Gov. Snow, whose name spelled
backwards is the station's call letters.
WBAP, Fort Worth, clear channel ABC affiliate, for plugging
the Paul Whiteman program by a tie-up with grocers which had
stickers about the show pasted on housewives' bundles.
WHFM, Rochester, New York, FM station, for pointing up
the increase in FM listenership by filling in the number of sets
in its area in ink on all promotional matter, with an asterisk explaining that any printed figure would be out of date immediately.
WKY, Oklahoma City, regional channel NBC affiliate, for its
safety campaign featuring eye-stopping mock tombstones with
humorous jingles inscribed on them, and for a sock, compelling ad
slogan, "The world's tallest transmitter" as 959 feet high "and a
million listeners wide."
Floating Bottle

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#### **Floating Bottle**

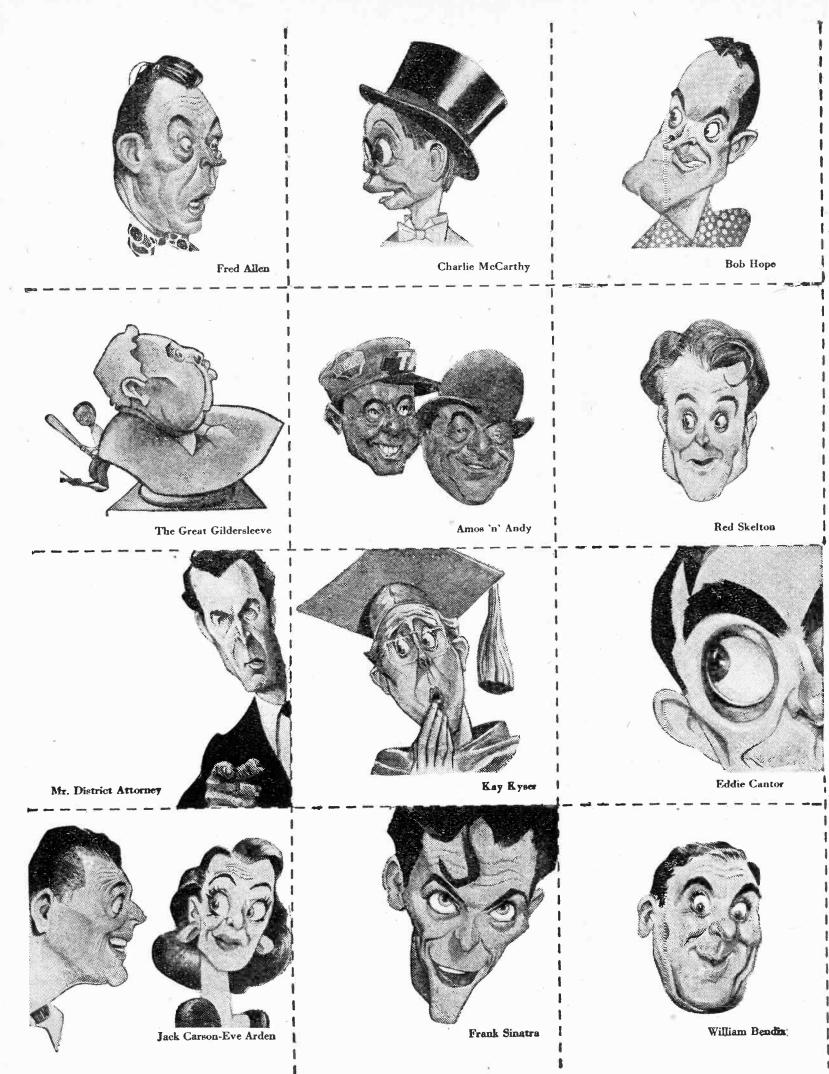
Floating Bottle WINK, Fort Myers, Fla., local channel CBS affiliate, for its floating bottle gimmick which invited finders to present them at the studio for a "treasure." KTUC, Tuscon, local channel CBS affiliate, for ending the famine on local live entertainment by opening a theater in the city. WBBM, Chicago, clear channel CBS affiliate, for exposing the stark facts, uncensored, on juvenile delinquency in Cook County. Also, to the numerous stations thruout the country which tied in with local or regional fairs and expositions and brought them-sel\*es before a wider public audience than ever before, including VJBNS, Columbus, O.: KOY, Phoenix, Ariz.; WHOT, South Bend, Ind.; WELM, Elmira, N. Y.; WAPI, Birmingham; WHO, Des Moines, Ia.; and WMT, Cedar Rapids, Ia.

### **Radio Promotion**

### KUGN, WOLF, KVFD Lead Field Among Low-Wattage Stations; High in Promotional Ingenuity

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The low wattage stations are often long on in-genuity. This is borne out by the entries in network affiliate-local channel category of *The Bilboard's* 10.h Annual Promotion Competition. Another highlight emphasized by the entries in the local channel class also obtains in the regional division— namely, outlying stations, far re-moved from what are regarded as key centers of radio activity, show no dearth of promotional brains. The 250-watters not only have mastered routine promotional methods, but also

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#### The Billboard

# Burns and Allen Network of the stars



Fibber McGee & Molly



Dennis Day

H. V. Kaltenborn

The pictures on these pages are but a sample of what advertisers and listeners will be seeing a lot of this year—NBC stars through the eyes of the famous caricaturist, Sam Berman.

With the familiar NBC lineup of stars intact—plus such newcomers as Al Jolson, Jimmy Durante, Frank Sinatra, Eddie Dowling, Jack Carson, Bob Hawk, Garry Moore and the Ford Theater, the 1947-48 season on NBC will shine brighter than ever—beaming to listeners the greatest concentration of talent, to advertisers the greatest concentration of listeners ever to be found on a single network.

America's No. 1 Network



### the National Broadcasting Company

A service of Radio Corporation of America

### NAB, NAM, LEGION VS. FCC? **Drive Looms For Revision Of FCC Act**

### **NAB Distributes Proposals**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 15. — Next session of Congress will feel the im-pact of the hottest drive in history for revision of the Communications Act thru proposals by the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) lo strip the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) of some of its broadcast powers. This became ap-parent here today as the NAB touched off the campaign by distributing poples of proposed legislative re-visions to NAB members at the as-sociation's Atlantic City conclave.

NAB's crusade to whip up public NAB's crusade to whip up public support is regarded as unprecedented. With NAB insiders candidly voicing hope that the association's drive will be supported by the powerful Ameri-an Legion, which boasts a member-ship of 3,000,000, and by the Na-lional Association of Manufacturers (NAM), regarded as one of the most octant paragraphications in the otent pressure organizations in the and.

High significance consequently is being attached to the participation of American Legion and NAM spokes-men in the NAB convention, with National Commander James F. O'Neil, of the Legion, and Robert R. Wason, chairman of the NAB board, appearing as featured speakers at the Atlantic City conclave.

#### NAB Strategy

NAB Strategy NAB's strategy in the legislative campaign is regarded as exceptional-ly shrewd inasmuch as delegates to the convention are expected to carry home with them copies of the as-sociation's proposed legislative changes, pacing the way for a drive reaching congressmen from the vari-ous constituencies during the current recess and also the general public. recess and also the general public. Strong possibility is seen that the (See NAB, NAM Legion on page 26)





### **Burrows To Write Joan Davis Show**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Joan Davis show, wrapped up by Hubbell Robinshow, wrapped up by Hubbell Robin-son, vice-president in charge of pro-graming for the Columbia Broadcast-ing System (CBS), starts as a co-op on the web Saturday, October 11, in the 9:30 p.m. slot. Bill Goodwin, currently in this time, will be shifted to another spot. The Davis show will be written by Abe Burrows. Dick Mack will again be producer-director.

director. CBS intends to build up Saturday CBS intends to build up Saturday night as a strong comedy period. In addition to Davis, Saturday schedule has Sweeney and March at 8:30-9 p.m., and Abe Burrows, 10-10:45 p.m. Writing spot will not affect Burrows' CBS show.

### **Network - Scripters Strike Threat Eased**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .--- The strike NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The strike threat which faced the networks over their impasse with the Radio Writers' Guild on rights for the scripters has been slightly dissipated. In a day-long session between the negotiators yesterday, progress was reported made in settling the dispute. Things looked black last Monday (8) when the RWG national executive committee rejected the webs' coun-ter-proposals regarding ownership of

committee rejected the webs<sup>\*</sup> coun-ter-proposals regarding ownership of radio and other rights to freelance scripts. In fact, the union summoned its top execs thruout the country to show the webs it meant business. Another meeting will be held Wednesday (17) and RWG brass is hopeful some compromise can be worked out.

### **NAB** Frames Strong Code To Answer Industry's Crix; **Regulatory Measures Stiff**

### New Set-Up Follows NBC, CBS Operation Methods

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 15.—A surprisingly strong code, packed with provisions designed to answer criti-cisms leveled at the broadcasting cisms leveled at the broadcasting industry within the last year or so, will be offered to the membership Thursday (18) during the course of the 25th annual convention of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) the subject of speculation for months, ever since the NAB's stand-ards of practice committee began framing the new document. Details of the code were first revealed here today (Monday). That the code will be the cause of considerable controversy is almost

That the code will be the cause of considerable controversy is almost certain, and it is equally likely that one of the hottest items will be the stiff regulatory measures offered in connection with children's programs. The code has already received ample support, most notably by a resolution adopted by NBC affiliates in their own convention here last week, urg-ing the NAB to pass a strong, effec-tive code.

tive code. The code was first presented to the NAB board of directors yesterday (Sunday). Formal reaction of the directors was not available at press

Among the salient features of the code, these provisions are the most notable:

No middle commercials in new

shows less than 15 minutes. Restrictions are placed on the use of box top or wrapper appeals in kid programs and no appeals asking for children to purchase goods in order to keep a program on the air are permitted.

permitted. Programs involving tortures, horror or the supernatural are to be avoided. Commercial copy is to be written and broadcast so as to end mislead-ing statements of prices or values and misleading comparisons of prices or values or false or deceptive claims. Commercials should not include trick sound effects, blatant announ-cers and over repetition. This, ob-viously, was designed with an es-pecial regard for spot announcements. Code also places strict limitations Code also places strict limitations on length of commercial copy. Time range for daytime shows is one min-ute on a five-minute show; two minutes on a 10-minute show; and minutes on a 10-minute show, and two minutes and 40 seconds on a 15-minute show. Half-hour day shows get a four-minute allotment. Evening times for commercials run the same up to 15-minute shows, which get only two and a half minutes of plug time and three minutes for half-hour shows. Longer programs are in pro-

#### **Cowcatchers** Out

portion.

Cowcatchers Out Another strong provision, and one which again is regarded as highly provocative, deals with cowcatcher and hitch-hike announcements. These dangling plugs, the object of a recent "get-'em-out" drive by Niles Tram-mell, NBC president, would be subject to strict regulation under the new code. Provision reads as follows: While there is no restriction on the number of products which any single

While there is no restriction on the number of products which any single sponsor may advertise within the above time limits, commercials for these prodicts should be presented within the framework of the spon-sor's program structure. This pre-cludes the use of such programs of simulated spot announcements which are divorced from the program by cludes the use of such programs of simulated spot announcements which are divorced from the program by preceding the introduction of the program itself, or by following its apparent sign-off. To this end the program itself should be announced and clearly identified before the use of what have been known as "cow-catcher" commercials, and the pro-gram should be signed off after—not before—the use of what have been known as "hitch-hike" commercials. In many respects, the proposed NAB code follows the line of the practices observed by several major webs, notably NBC and Columbia, in that restrictions are placed on types of advertisers permitted; equal distribu-tion of controversial issue-time is pro-vided; crime and horror are not to be

vided; crime and horror are not to be treated glamourously; professional advice is verboten; horse race and gambling information is eliminated; newscasters are to be responsible only to broadcasters and not to sponsors.

Ten Commandments Ten Commandments The provisions for kid shows, 10 in number, have already been dubbed the "NAB's 10 Commandments. "Programs for children and young people should be designed to meet the following: 1. They should convey the com-(See NAB FRAMES on page 26)

### Record NAB Meet Under Way; Proposed New Code Tops Agenda

(Continued from page 3) around the provisions for toning down commercials. Changes in kid show and mystery standards also are likely to be hotly discussed.

to be hotly discussed. Another vital issue slated for heavy discussion in the remaining days of the convention is the economic crisis faced by radio in these days of over-developed markets. One portion of the problem will be dramatically present-ed when a group of Powers models take places in a living graph to show increased costs of station operation.

Other issues to be batted around, both officially and unofficially, are the both officially and unofficially, are the legislative proposal for changing the Federal Communications Act (see separate story in this issue), radio editorializing, international radio problems, ideas for renewed emphasis on FM, and numerous questions in-volving James C. Petrillo and his American Federation of Musicians (AFM) (AFM).

(AFM). Today marks the first time in NAB convention history that special clinics have been held. Clinic topics include broadcast advertising, employee-em-ployer relations, programing and en-gineering. Other meetings today in-clude those of the music advisory, FM executive, legislative, reasearch and public relations committees. Featured speakers are brushing up

public relations committees. Featured speakers are brushing up their notes in preparation for their addresses the remainder of the con-vention period. NAB Prexy Justin Miller delivers the annual president's report tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, to be followed by Goar

Mestre, vice-president of Inter-Amer-ican Broadcasters' Association.

Following tomorrow's luncheon, Admiral W. H. P. Blandy is slated to speak briefly. Back in the main hall, Robert R. Watson, chairman of the speak briefly. Back in the main hall, Robert R. Watson, chairman of the board of National Association of Man-ufacturers (NAM) will be the after-noon's chief speaker. Other featured speakers will be Federal Communica-tions Commission Chairman Charles Denny, who will speak Wednesday; Representative Clarence Lea, who speaks tomorrow, and James O'Neil, newly elected American Legion com-mander, who will talk Thursday. Besides being incorporated in some

mander, who will talk Thursday. Besides being incorporated in some of the speeches, the AFM problem will come in for discussion at individ-ual meetings of several NAB commit-tees, including the labor and FM groups. New legislative or judicial procedures for coping with Petrillo are likely to be submitted for dis-cussion. cussion.

Most of the talk on international Most of the talk on international radio is likely to be centered around the Voice of America broadcasts in view of a recent letter to NAB from Assistant Secretary of State William Benton, asking that the broadcast be discussed by NAB. Proposal that the U. S. give up some of its international frequencies also is expected to gain frequencies also is expected to gain

attention. For the edification of the delegates, nearly an acre of floor space has been crowded with exhibits or radio sets and equipment. Latest model video, FM and combination sets are arousing much interest.

### A tough-minded examination of 1947 radio values shows CBS is the most <u>effective</u> network in America, today

Radio doesn't stand still. Vigorous new things keep happening in its solid maturity, as in the days of its youth. Yet in all of the swift confusions of radio's growth and changes some simple basic yardsticks remain, with which to measure radio network values.

What are these yardsticks?

- I. Completeness of coverage
- 2. Balance of facilities

### 3. Balance of program schedules

These combine to give a sometimes-overlooked (but very basic) measure of network efficiency:

### How many listeners delivered at what cost?

We have applied all these yardsticks to all the networks in a new CBS study; a useful measure of the *coverage* and *economies* of the networks.

The figures show, simply and clearly, that CBS is the most effective network in America, today.

To see the study-and to get the utmost in radio values...

### SEE CBS...THE COMPLETE NETWORK

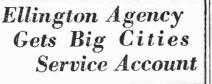
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Improvements || Ellington Agency **Get Support Of Air Brass** 

### **McElroy Warns on Costs**

(Continued from page 4) warned, advertisers might be forced into other outlets, since radio's prin-cipal advantage has been its low cost-per-listener rate. McElroy ex-pressed concern over imposition of more restrictions on radio plugs, tak-ing the approach that the increased cost factor, combined with commer-cial restrictions, might prove disas-trous insofar as the advertiser is con-cerned. cerned.

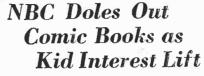


NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Cities Service account, which until a few months ago was handled by Foote, Cone & Belding, has been awarded to the Roy Ellington Agency.

All indications late this week were that Cities Service's network pro-gram, *Highways in Melody*, would be continued over the National Broad-

continued over the National Broad-casting Company. Cities Service account, which totals about \$10,000,000 yearly in billings, was resigned by FC&B. Latter agency and its predecessor, Lord & Thomas, held the account many years.

well as criticizing the lack of pro-gram variety. He urged improve-ment in moral tone, improved censor-Larmon and Mortimer, on the other hand, praised broadcasters for the critical self-examination which last year's NAB conventions. Larmon urged de-emphasis on block pro-grams, especially citing soap operas and horror-crime-adventure stuff, as



ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 15 .- Sock new promotion gimmick was revealed to the NBC convention here last week by Charles Hammond, the web's promotion director. Aiming to increase kid interest in NBC programs, the web will shortly start distribution of a specially published comic book, the initial **r**int order of which was over a million.

Distribution will be effected in various ways, among them inclusion as an insert called On the Air in Scholastic, a students' magazine. Mags are 1-page colored affairs with copy stressing NBC programs and the net itself.

This is part of an all-over NBC drive to hypo web and radio public relations, another step being the pro-duction of a motion picture to be ex-hibited thru standard film channels.

### More Chicago People

are listening to



### 12 Noon to 6 PM

### seven days a week

than to any other station

### See Hooper for July

### CONCLAVE SOCK SUC RCA & NBC **Execs** Give Tips on Tele

Get In Fast-Or Else

Get In Fast—Or Else (Continued from page 4) stated that as the video audience increases many listeners will switch from AM to television. "This will reduce the audience of sound-broad-casting stations and will affect their revenue, which is based on circula-tion." He pointed out that to "main-tain their present positions in their local communities and to safeguard investment and earning capacity of established sound-broadcasting sta-tions, prudent owners will consider television as an added new service." "There is no protection in standing still," Sarnoff warned. Thruout his talk he alluded to video's future, painting a rosy picture. He pointed out there are now 13 stations on the air. By the end of 1947 he expects 26 and by the end of 1948 about 50. By this time he also expects about 750,000 in use. Sarnoff additionally stated local television has strong possibilities from the programing and advertising points of view. As for network tele, he stated that automatic radio relay stations, alone or in combina-tion with coaxial cable, show great promise for speeding video service thruout the nation. Coast-to-coast tele is likely in the next few years, he indicated. Mullen, telling the affiliates that NBC is they with waiting and that

tele is likely in the next few years, he indicated. Mullen, telling the affiliates that NBC is thru with waiting and that "we're on our way," advised the convention not to be apprehensive about video costs. Apart from ex-pense of transmitter and certain equipment, he added, costs were rea-comple, including local programing. pense of transmitter and certain equipment, he added, costs were rea-sonable, including local programing. He also stated that the local revenue picture is better than anticipated. He added that NBC would provide the affiliates with all possible service in advance of interconnection. "With-in months," he said, "we'll have an East Coast network." Mullen then warned that local service must pre-cede national service. Noran Kersta, NBC video exec, followed Mullen with a mass of slides and statistics, warning the convention to "decide soon." Later it will be tougher, he pointed out. He listed the large radio advertisers who have used the web's video facilities, and via a large screen, indicated to the convention a sample week on NBC tele. Of the 140 stations in 140 markets provided by the FCC allocation, Kersta pointed out that 85 were already spoken for. Of these 85 channels 35 per cent are NBC affiliates.

affiliates.



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# IN JUST WHOH BECOMES **BOSTON'S BEST RADIO BU**

### "Share of Audience" up 459%

For the first time, an independent station has attained overall leadership in Boston radio. With 100% local programming, WHDH has swept into top spot for sports, airing Red Sox and Braves baseball games; Boston Yanks football, plus headline college games; Boston Bruins hockey; numerous "sports round-

ups," and Herald-Traveler news every hour on the half hour. Musically, too, WHDH offers easiest listening with many popular participating features, including the "Carnival of Music," and the new "Tommy Dorsey Show."

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And if you're buying Boston, you want the best. In one year, WHDH has skyrocketed from a poor 6th to leadership among all Boston stations! Your John Blair man has the whole story - but here are two facts

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THEN (June-July 1946) HOOPER STATION LISTENING INDEX SHARE OF AUDIENCE						
INDEX	WHDH	Network Station A	Network Station B	Network Station C	Network Station D	
TOTAL RATED	5.6	25.7	23.2	22.3	11.5	

NOW (June-July 1947)

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INDEX	WHDH	Network Station A	Network Station B	Network Station C	Network Station D
TOTAL RATED TIME PERIODS	25.7	21.9	19.6	12.6	10.0

CLASS "A" HOUR RATES WHDH \$225.00 Network Station A 560.00 Network Station B 525.00 Network Station C 440.00 Network Station D 400.00 \*from SR & DS, August 1947

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will deliver you lowest cost per thousand radio time available in Boston.

you should know now:

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superior coverage will assure you of reaching the maximum number of listeners for every dollar spent.



BOSTON'S

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### Hooper To Launch Will Dicker FM Phone Count With Instead After World Series **Of Defy AFM** NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- The increasing number of FM receivers in the New York area has led FM broadcasters to believe they must now add the usual trappings of com-

**Optimistic on Outlook** 

# now add the usual trappings of com-mercial radio if they are to compete for the advertisers' radio dollar. It was not unexpected, therefore, for the convention of the Frequency Modulation Association (FMA) to hear pollster C. E. Hooper announce (See Hooper to Launch on page 20) (See First FM Review on page 21) By Sam Chase NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—A virtually complete turnabout in attitude to-ward James C. Petrillo and the Amer-ican Federation of Musicians (AFM) (See FMA Turnabout on page 26) CHICAGO'S most kil STATION ANAL A MARSHALL FIELD STATION REPRESENTED NATIONALLY BY AVERY-KNODEL

### First FM Review: "Treasury Of Music" on 28-Outlet Web

**OUT ON PETI** 

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—This marks the first time a trade paper has reviewed an FM radio show. With the onset of the Stromberg Carlson *Treasury of Music* as the first commercial program aired over the 28 stations Treasury of Music as the first commercial program aired over the 28 stations of Continental, the FM network, a new era in broadcasting got under way. It is the intention of The Billboard to expand continually its coverage of FM activities, including program reviews. Program was heard under far from ideal conditions, as it came to banqueting delegates at the Frequency Modu-lation Association (FMA) convention while they wrapped up their meat course and waited for dessert. Music

**Rep. Kearns Startles With Olive Branch** 

### Pats Petrillo on Back

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Heralded as the most bitter adversary of James C. Petrillo and the American Feder-ation of Musicians (AFM), Rep. Car-roll Kearns (R., Pa.), came up with an address before the FM Association (FMA) here this week-end which breathed respect and understanding for the union chief's position. Kearns, chairman of the House Labor Sub-committee investigating the pussi-cians' union, tangled recently with Petrillo at hearings in Washington and in the opinion of many observers, came out a poor second. But his talk before FMA betrayed no rancor. Kearns quoted Petrillo as saying,

before FMA betrayed no rancor. Kearns quoted Petrillo as saying, "I want FM to grow." The Congress-man then added he thought Petrillo's only fear was, justly, for technological unemployment among AFM members. He also quoted industry spokesmen (See Kearns Startles 'Em page 23)

### **FMA Elects Dillard Prexy; Ranks Double**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The new board of directors of the Frequency Modulation Association (FMA), it-self elected today, immediately voted unanimously to make Everett Dillard, of Washington, the org's new presi-dent. Dillard, who founded the Con-tinental Network, first commercial FM web, replaced Roy Hofheinz of KOPY-FM, Houston, after efforts to induce Hofheinz to serve again had failed. failed.

failed. Seven new members were elected to join the eight current members on the board of directors, in line with an earlier vote to expand the board from 12 to 15 members. New additions in-cluded Ed Hodel, WCFC, Beckley, W. Va.; William Ware, KSWI-FM, Council Bluffs, Ia.; David G. Taft, WCTS, Cincinnati; E. Z. Jones, (See Dillard FM Prezu on page 21) (See Dillard FM Prexy on page 21)

### **5** Promotion Awards At FMA Banquet

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The first annual banquet at the Frequency Modulation Association (FMA) con-vention meeting found awards flow-ing freely. The three FM division awards of The Billboard's 10th Annual Promotion Competition were present-Promotion Competition were present-ed by Jerry Franken, radio éditor of (See 5 Promotion Awards, page 26)

#### **KIEV COPS PUBSERV**

(Continued from page 5) effectively promoting the station to listeners, civic groups and government agencies

Besides a highway safety contest, production with the use of a station-announcer partmeter as a baby sitter for a prize, the station undertook a number of other public dents.

service campaigns. These included a benefit dance for municipal play-grounds, a 26-week series on the These included grounds, a 26-week series on the Glendale municipal government, Chamber of Commerce and Junior Chamber programs, and weekly re-motes from high schools and colleges, produced by the schools' radio de-partments and designed to give prac-tical experience to interested stu-dents.

### **1947 PROMOTION**

The Billboard

port on every entry submitted, a compilation never before available in the broadcasting business. Warning:

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1947 PROMOTION (Continued from page 5) motion toppers, a rare tribute to the stature of the competition in the industry. Broadcasters will be able to see the winning entries at The Billboard's NAB convention booth in Atlantic City, where copies of "Report on Radio Promotion, 1946-1947" will be available. This book includes a re-



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### WLW Is Sensation of Race; **KSTP** and WHO Also Winners

(Continued from page 9) merchandising, audience building and test planning. Thru its "triple-A plan of station promotion," the Midwest giant hit audiences, advertisers and their product and agencies. The br\_atn-tan\_ng thoroness of this

ed, much less carried out by an individual station. Merchandising, for example, was attacked on every level, from the manufacturer clear down test planning. Thru its "triple-A plan of station promotion," the Midwest giant hit audiences, advertisers and their product and agencies. The br\_atn-tas\_ng thoroness of this structure had a scope seloom attempt-



ings for the Top Ten Day-time Shows, CBS had five of them—including the first three. In every one of these five, "WTAG was the top oudience delivering station!

### When You Buy Time-Buy A Buying Audience!



ilies answer about products and sales methods. Retailers were assisted by store modernization conclaves. All told, WLW's over-all promotion pro-vided a model of productive service-Web Over

ing. Second place in the over-all picture went to WOR, New York. Ranging from sales promotion brochures for its programs to the campaign for its 25th anniversary, WOR made use of original, well-executed material. De-

original, well-executed material. De-vices included a periodically revised booklet, beer glass mats and eye-stopping trade ads. Winding up in a dead heat for third place were KYW, Philadelphia, and WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va. The KYW entry clearly demonstrates that sta-tion's ability to get up huge crowd-pulling outdoor affairs, such as picnics, beach parties. soap box derbies and pulling outdoor affairs, such as picnics, beach parties, soap box derbies and street horse shows, which drew thous-ands. Station also made use of other spectacular promotions such as elec-tric signs and airplane trailers as well as more routine methods. WWVA in-dicated its know-how thru its promotion of its WWVA Jamboree Program, which is viewed by 2,000 weekly, and by the ballyhoo attendant upon WWVA's switch from American Broadcasting Company (ABC) to Broadcasting Company (ABC) to (CBS), handling of its 20th anniver-sary and tie-ups with local merchants.

#### **KSTP** Single Champ

KSTP Single Champ The single campaign championship was won by KSTP, Minneapolis, for its renowned "fish" campaign, thru which the station got national public-ity breaks when it put special tags in the jaws of 1,000 fish and offered prizes totaling more than \$500,000 to anglers catching them. Second prize for a single campaign went to WCBS, New York, for its promotion of the change in its call letters from WABC, making every use of air time and talmaking every use of air time and tal-ent and an outstanding newspaper advertising campaign. WSB, Atlanta, for promoting its *The Harbor We Seek* sustainer series, got third prize. This job took in organized religious groups, civic organizations, colleges and universities with its drive against racial and religious intolerance.

racial and religious intolerance. In the category of public service, top honors went to WHO, Des Moines, for the spectacular job it did in pro-moting the fourth annual Corn Plew-ing Match and Soil Conservation Field Day, which drew 50,000 farm-ers to the one-day event and gained national notice. The sustained pronational notice. The sustained pro-motion by WTIC, Hartford, Conn., for its fire prevention campaign drew the second place award, mainly on the basis of its 108 programs and 1,196 basis of its 108 programs and 1,196 announcements on the theme, plus a well-advertised poster contest. The campaign which won third prize for WLW in the public service category was that surrounding its flying of four citizens to Europe to survey food and famine conditions. After this dramatic stroke, the station promoted widely the need for farmers to pro-duce more and for consumers to waste less food. less food.

### WNBW TV WINNER

(Continued from page 6) to small details and unusual methods well as to traditional promotional as well as to traditional promotional efforts delivered a sock job on the Louis-Conn heavyweight champion-ship fight. The station, thruout its campaign, made the broadcast simu-late actual fight conditions.

Campaign, made the broadcast sinu-late actual fight conditions. For example, at special demonstra-tions in the NBC studios the night of the fight, with 500 to 600 people gathered to watch on receivers, "bet-ting prohibited" signs were posted around the studios, 500 copies of a fight program with a full-page NBC tele ad were distributed to the viewers and mock ring corners were placed in front of each of 25 re-ceivers, subtly selling the idea that each seat is ringside with tele. The studio, in short, had virtually every authentic touch of the "fight club" except smoke and smell. The usual devices, too, were employed, includ-ing window and counter displays, banners at the fight itself and news-paper ads plus announcements over NBC's New York radio outlet.

Web Overall (Continued from page 5)

to do, and its promotion stressed that thruout—even to the presentation's title, Targets for 1947. Singles Cam-paign honors, won by National Broadpaign honors, won by National Broad-casting Company (NBC), were bas d on sell the NBC success story. And in winning the judges' vote as Pub-lic Service Promotion champion, Co-lumbia Broadcasting System (CBS) matched its outstanding programing in that sphere with some equally fine promotion.

#### **Regional Webs**

Among the regional webs, the Overall Promotion award went to the Pacific Northwest Broadcasters, Inc., for switching call letters on their Inc., for switching call letters on their outlets so that the first three letters were "KXL—" and then promoting the stations as the "XL" stations. Columbia Pacific Network won the Single Campaign prize for regional webs for promoting its *Menace in White* documentary on illegal medi-cal practices. Public Service wincal practices. Public Service win-ner among the regionals was the Yankee Network of New England, for its programing in sponsoring the Yankee Network Institute, including four different series of programs.

The MBS entry, in winning the Overall web award, drew the vir-tually unanimous acclamation of the judges for carefully conceived and perfectly executed promotion aimed at accomplishing specific objectives. These objectives included, in part, selling MBS's coverage and economy, and its packaged or "discovered" shows; building the web's station re-lations and selling MBS to the audience. Utilization of all promotional media was not the whole of MBS' story, which also depended for suc-cess upon a thoro, solid and readable application. This the web got, as it accomplished each objective carefully, interestingly and logically.

#### **NBC's** Campaign

NBC's Campaign The NBC Single campaign, based upon the *It Happened on NBC* theme, was restricted to direct mail and trade paper advertising. However, it was a model for this type of promo-tion, featuring art work by Joe Kaufman in each ad to tell the story of a top NBC show. In all, the cam-paign sought to impress the story of how a good show is aided, thru the web's potent facilities and contact with top NBC shows, to become a top show itself. The heavy promotion set up by

The heavy promotion set up by CBS before each of its major public service shows was told by the prizewinning entry in that category of web competition. The material used was in keeping with the high quality of the shows themselves, among the finest such ventures in recent broad-cast history. Sent to each station carrying the shows were a brochure and special material concerning the show, including copy, artwork and producton generally. In connection with its We Went Back documentary, CBS pulled probably its best promo-tion, whereby This Week magazine, with a circulation in the millions, cooperated in its preparation and exploitation.



### Radio Rep Business | paper publishers toward radio sta-Lures L&T Company

CHICAGO, Sept. 13 .- Lorenzen &

tion ownership." As a result of this trend, L&T decided to expand its activities to serve all interests of its newspaper clients.

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—Lorenzen & Thompson, Inc., in the newspaper rep field for the past 27 years, this week announced that it would go into the radio rep business starting November 1. One of the larger news-paper rep orgs, the company presently maintains offices in nine key cities. The move into the radio field was made to keep up with what the org calls the "consistent trend of news-

**Heed Mex Protest Over KNOE Step-Up** WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—On the basis of a formal complaint by the Mexican Government, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is expected to make final its proposed dension approximated deriving

is expected to make final its proposed decision announced this week denying the bid of KNOE, Monroe, La., to in-crease power to 5-kw. and switch frequency from 1450-kc. to 1390-kc. Following the filing of the bid, Mexico protested that such grant would interfere with XETL, Tuxpan. FCC in the tentative ukase found Mexico justified in its protests under

Joke

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Over-heard at the FM Association con-"The only guys in radio who are against FM are those in favor of the static quo."

terms of the North American Region-al Broadcasting Agreement (NARBA). In addition, FCC claimed (NARBA). In addition, FCC claimed that a power increase for KNOE would black out all other signals for a large proportion of Monroe's population.



RADIO BUY IN NEW YOR

570 ... FIRST ON YOUR DIAL

# WNEW Leads 5,000 - Watt Indie Class (Continued from page 5) ple received visual impressions of WNEW annually as a result of this tripartite policy. For instance 5.

ple received visual impressions of WNEW annually as a result of this tripartite policy. For instance, 5,-000,000 impressions per month is the estimated total accruing from special car cards on Fifth Avenue burses

Other effective promotion results from space-for-time swaps as evi-denced by deals with The New York denced by deals with The New York Journal-American and Radio Mirror Magazine. In "programotion,." how-ever, station has landed its most ef-fective promotion deals. Parmalee taxi chain, for instance, carries posters on 2,000 cabs and in return the station produces a weekly show plugging Parmalee. Similar deals plugging Parmatee. Similar deals are in operation with two theater chains in return for trailers, lobby displays and program space. These are only a few examples of the WNEW promotional operation. Its effectiveness can be judged by the fact that the station ranks second among New York outlets in ratings between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. WHN grabbed the Single Campaign

award with its promotion of *Ted Husing's Bandstand*. Putting a na-tionally-known sports commentator into a disk jock spot was a new twist and was worked to a fare-theewell by station's promotion depart-ment. Press breaks were supple-mented by extensive use of radio, bus cards, testimonial dimers and other routine methods. In addition, some unusual ideas were conceived. KAKC won top honors in the Pub-

Once again ...

The Billboard

the hospital, where the young miss heard the graduation proceedings. Headlines carried the story: "HIGH SCHOOL GIRL GRADUATES VIA

WOV, New York, scored second in the Overall promotion category by virtue of its expert handling of its two-fold promotion problem, namely:

exploitation of English-language pro-grams, and secondly, promotion of Italian programs, including special audience studies determining the ex-

tent of the foreign language audience. KSFO, San Francisco, achieved third

place in the competition by virtue of its solid promotion of the station's

use of music. In the Single Campaign category, KMPC, Los Angeles, was awarded second place on the basis of sound use of orthodox promotion methods predicated upon research findings. The campaign succeeded in jacking up the Hooperatings 18 per cent. WMCA, New York, and WJJD, Chi-cago, tied for third place in the Single Campaign class the New York out-

Campaign class, the New York out-let on the basis of its promotion of its

Mr. and Mrs. Music program, and the Chi station on the basis of its pro-

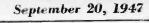
Chi station on the basis of its pro-motion of disk jock Ernie Simon. In the Public Service category, WOV landed second as a result of its programing and talent search activ-ities, and WIEG third on the basis of large evidence of public service ac-tivity.

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WGBLSCRANTONS TOPS Billboard's List



### WFMR, WIZZ 15 1946 Winners **Cop** Laurels In FM Group

(Continued from page 5) ficult time before they decided that the first prize go to WFMR, New Bedford, Mass., with WIZZ, Wilkes-

Berrora, Pa., second. and WKNB-FM, New Britain, Conn., third. The WFMR entry was keyed to the station's belief in personal contact and service as a prime means to supand service as a prime means to sup-plement newspaper publicity. To this end, it sponsored talks, movies, and on-the-air demonstrations be-fore key organizations to boost FM. It also sponsored classes in which it tuning and a participation of a participation. trained radio repairmen to service FM receivers, and sent out two repairmen to install antennae and serv-ice sets thru dealers. Backbone of the station's promotion is regular publicity in the local newspaper, the Standard-Times which owns the station.

#### Absorbing Story

The WIZZ story also proved to be most absorbing. If you live in WIZZ's area and want to hear a local baseball game broadcast, you have to buy, borrow or get near an FM re-ceiver, for that FM station cornered the broadcasts while the local AM stations were waiting for a sponsor. By acquiring the choice local pro-graming plum, WIZZ automatically struck a resounding blow for FM in its area. Another plan in the WIZZ works is "transcasts," by which 9,000.000 riders of trackless busses and trolleys will, each month, hear e FM broadcasts. An active campaign to inform peo-

An active campaign to inform peo-ple in its area about FM also has been carried on by the third prize winner, WKNB-FM. This is done via dealer co-operation, station break announcements on the AM adjunct, WKNB, and running a contest with FM converters as a prize WKNB-FM FM converters as a prize. WKNB-FM also has broadcast the Boston major league baseball games, thus offering programing of wide interest to stimulate purchase of FM receivers, and it has installed FM receivers in bars and grills, so that a wider section of the public could hear FM reception. Local ads also have helped promote the medium.

the medium. One group of judges held that the entry of WGYN, New York, while it did not quite gain sufficient votes for a prize, was strong enough to rate special mention. One of eight FM stations in its area, operating on an almost non-existent budget, WGYN has not only striven to attract FM almost non-existent budget, WGYN has not only striven to attract FM listeners to its station, but has tried to attract listeners generally to FM and keep FM listeners sold on FM. This it did by becoming the first FM station to operate full time in New York, offering programing for home listeners and retailers demon-tracting the medium. Two other stastrating the medium. Two other sta-tions which followed credited WGYN with influencing their decision to go full time. Station also plugged FM by having its programs piped into factories and into Palisades Amuse-ment Park, where 30,000 visitors daily have heard its static-free shows over the public address systems.

### **4 STATIONS DOUBLE**

(Continued from page 6)

tion and a deucer in public service program. It's a regional channel web affiliate. KLZ, Denver, also scored a win and

a third, its first place being in Public Service promotion and its third being in Overall promotion. It, too, is a regional web affiliate, and like WKY and WLW, claims NBC as its radio mother.

Only one indie station took more than one award, this being the Arde

### Repeat in 1947

(Continued from page 6)

Single Campaign, 1946, Public Service, 1947. CBS Pacific Network, Single Cam-

Paign, 1946 and 1947. National Broadcasting Company, Public Service, 1947; Single Cam-paign, 1947.

WLW, Cincinnati, Public Service, 1946, Overall and Public Service, 1947

KLZ. Denver, Public Service 1946 and 1947; Overall, 1947. WKY, Oklahoma City, Overall, 1946; Public Service and Single Cam-

1946; Public Service and Single Campaign, 1947.
Yankee Network, Single Campaign, 1946; Public Service, 1947.
WJJD, Chicago, Overall, 1946; Single Campaign, 1947.
WFIL, Philadelphia, Single Campaign, 1947. 1947

1947.
WOV, New York, Public Service and Overall, 1946; Public Service and Overall, 1947.
CKCK, Regina, Sask., Public Serv-ice, 1946; Single Campaign, 1947.
WHN, New York, Single Campaign, 1946; Single Campaign, 1947.
KMPC, Los Angeles, Single Cam-paign, 1946 and 1947.
WNYC, New York, Public Service, 1946 and 1947.

#### HOOPER TO LAUNCH

(Continued from page 16) that his rating service had been dele-gated to begin telephone coincidental FM audience measurement, as dis-closed by The Billboard last week. Initial year of Hooper studies will be underwritten by Capt. P. K. Lieb-erman. of WGYN, and Capt. W. G. H. Finch. of WGHF-FM, with other stations invited to participate in the \$400 cost of each report on a pro rata basis. The survey will cover the 2 to 4 p.m. period, Mondays thru Fridays, on the second and fourth weeks of the month. in New York and New Jersey. The minimum survey will cover 1.000 FM set-owner homes, supplemented by a comparison with random New York telephone homes. The survey will be launched in Oc-tober, after the World Series, in order to avoid competition with a top AM audience attraction during about the same hours. It is expected that some FM stations will be forced to begin airing earlier in order to have their results included, inasmuch as some broadcasters in the New York area do not start operations until 3 p.m.

dailý. The Broadcast Measurement Bu-The Broadcast Measurement Bu-reau (BMB) also will pay more at-tention to FM in the future, accord-ing to Hugh Feltis, BMB president. Feltis told the FMA that BMB in-tends to measure FM station audi-ences and already has several FM subscribers. He added that BMB may take a census of FM set owner-ship by counties and cities in 1948.

Bulova New York beeper. WOV. Both were second place wins, one in Over-all promotion and the other in Public Service. Station is in the over-5.000watt category.



Here's what famous Billboard Magazine found out about WGBI in its Continuing Program Studies:

wGBI led all stations in delivering Bonns Audiences.

wGBI delivered 76.6 Bonus Points over the National Average.

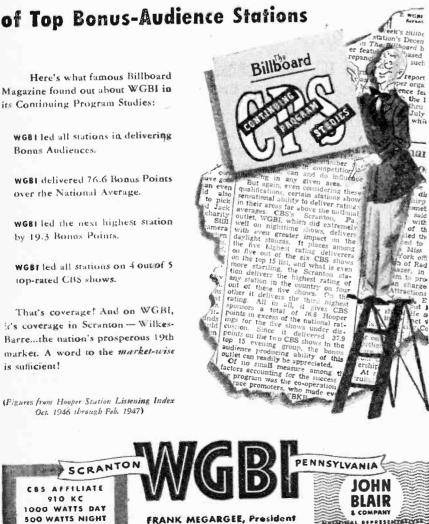
wGBI led the next highest station by 19.3 Bonus Points.

WGBI led all stations on 4 out of 5 top-rated CBS shows.

That's coverage! And on WGBI, is coverage in Scranton - Wilkes-Barre...the nation's prosperous 19th market. A word to the market-wise is sufficient!

(Figures from Hooper Station Listening Index Oct. 1946 through Feb. 1947)





ZIV'S WHOPPI Disk Biz 30% Above 1946; **Tops in Field** 

### 23 E. T. Series Sold

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Frederic W. Ziv Company, largest of the openend transcription producers in the open-country, will gross an estimated \$10,-350,000 in 1947. This figure, up more than 30 per cent over the 1946 Ziv gross of \$7,500,000, is, wax men say, by far and away the top score of any

#### FIRST FM REVIEW

(Continued from page 16) a-midway talk from the banquet by Major Edwin H. Armstrong, inventor of FM.

of FM. Prevailing conditions made it dif-ficult to judge accurately the repro-duction of the music, but the qualities of FM are well known and previous Mand-line and direct pickup relays have had no ill effects upon color,

land-line and direct pickup relays
have had no ill effects upon color,
tone or range.
Most notable item, perhaps, about
the broadcast was the commercials,
which were gems of brevity and dig-nity, delivered at the onset and close
of the show. Both stressed the quali-ties of FM itself and added that in
FM, Stromberg Carlson leads in re-search, workmanship, material and
design. Commercials were delivered
in a well-modulated tone calculated
to be in keeping with the musical
numbers. Latter showed a nice vari-ety, and included the Prelude to Car-men by Bizet, Fritz Kreisler's Tam-bourine Chinoise, Tschaikowsky's
Waltz From Sleeping Beauty Ballet,
Debussey's Claire De Lune, Grieg's Norwegian Dance No. 2, and Gersh-win's Strike Up the Band.
In his midway talk, Major Arm-strong said the long struggle to make FM a mass medium is about ended.

FM a mass medium is about ended. He added that the policy of Stromberg He added that the policy of Stromberg Carlson in sponsoring the FM net-work series will lead the way for others to follow. Major Armstrong was introduced by Lee McCanne, vice-president and general manager of the sponsor. The program was the first of six in the trail-blazing series. Continental next week will precede the 8.30 to 9 p.m. Friday show with a 30-minute live popular music show which it will air on a sustaining basis and will put up for sale. Sam Chase.

Sam Chase. up for sale.

#### DILLARD FM PREXY

**DILLARD FM PREXY** (Continued from page 16) WBBB-FM, Burlington, N. C., and Ben Strouse, WWDC-FM, Washing-ton, all for three-year terms. Tom McNulty, of WMCP, Baltimore, was elected to a two-year term and Morris Novik, of Unity Broadcasting, New York, to a one-year term. William Barlow, FMA's publicity director, currently is seriously ill and his position will remain unfilled for the present. Hofheinz declared that the organization had grown from 108 members in January to 208 at present —nearly 100 per cent jump in nine months. months

months. The FM receiver picture also shows a rise, according to a talk to FMA by Max F. Balcom, newly elected presi-dent of the Radio Manufacturers As-sociation (RMA). Balcom told the group that postwar FM production is about 700,000 and all but a few of these have been turned out in less these have been turned out in less than a year.

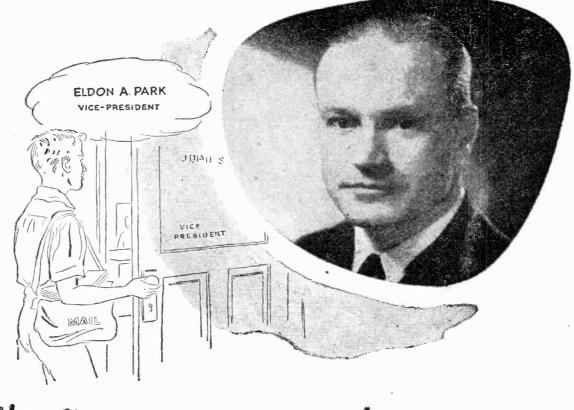
producer in the business platter producer in the business. Ziv's zoftig score will come in thru its sales of 23 programs, with two more name e. t, series in the works. One of these is the Guy Lombardo open-enders, reported in *The Bill-board* some months ago. Last year, Ziv had 18 shows in its stable.

Top Grossers Top grossing shows are *Favorite* In some other cases, one sponsor pays Story, the Ronald Colman vehicle; the freight on several Ziv packages.

Wayne King, Barr Vance and Boston Blackie. These five shows are on an average of 748 programs and each has an average of around 450 sponsors. The differ-ence is due to the fact that in many cases, multiple sponsorship is in effect; that is, one advertiser bank-rolls a series on a number of stations.

top Ziv and Calling All Girls, the latter a tie-up with the teen-age mag of similar name. Show has a slew of de-partment store sponsors. Aces sold to a total estimated at \$450,000 in the first year it was available on wax.

It has been estimated that Ziv's 10-million take is a third, if not more, of the total U. S. transcription business.



# the first 18 years are the toughest

Radio is barely past its twenty-fifth birthday. Relatively few can claim 18 years' experience in the broadcasting industry . . . and darned few can boast of 18 years with the same station.

But that's the history of Eldon A. Park, whose only full-time employer during his thirty-eight years has been WLW.

He's in a rut, you say? Then consider: In his 18 years with The Nation's Station, Eldon has come up from part-time office boy to Vice-President in Charge of Programs . . . with administrative responsibility for the million dollars a year WLW spends on programming.

As everyone who knows him will testify, there's no secret behind the success of this "Horatio Alger of Crosley Square" other than conscientious hard work and vigorous enthusiasm for the job.

One tenet Park lives by, however, has served him well ..... "encourage new talent-never give newcomers the brushoff." Because as he looks back over the long roster of radio stars who began their. careers at WLW, he's convinced there's plenty) more where they came from.

Under Park's supervision, and with the able assistance of Chet Herman and Milton Wiener, the WLW Program Department is a smoothlyfunctioning organization comprised of scores of writers, producers, directors, musicians, announcers, and talent of all types. It is more than adequately equipped to turn out anything from a spot announcement to a full hour of musical-variety . . . and do it in the professional manner which has won the station many top national awards for program excellence-has built and retained one of the largest, most-loyal audiences in the world.



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### WLOW Tops **New Stations**

(Continued from page 6) sequently, the judges in The Bill-board's 10th Annual Promotion Competition set aside a separate category for those stations which went on the air on or after January 1, 1947— give or take a week or two. Winners in this category generally proved to be the stations getting the biggest results from the comparatively small outlay most were able to invest, with WLOW, Norfolk, walking off with the championship for new stations in the

Overall Promotion Division. A 1,000-watter, WLOW A 1,000-watter, WLOW stressed its exclusive programing features as well as its news and public service programing. Tho only six months on the local scene, WLOW airs ex-clusively the local symphony and meetings of the city council. Its on-the-toes news coverage has resulted in clean beats on local news breaks over the wire services and local newspapers. As promotional gim-micks, the station used letters of wel-come to new residents of the city, in-viting them to its studios, as well as stressed

come to new residents of the city, in-viting them to its studios, as well as usual devices such as bilboards, an-nouncements, car cards, window dis-plays and merchandising letters. WDVA, of Danville, Virginia, which airs at 5,000 watts daytime and 1,000 at night, won second award for promoting itself as a live-talent sta-tion, and for a campaign assuring listeners that, as a standard station, no FW set was needed to tune it in. no FM set was needed to tune it in. Latter was necessary because a new FM station was also being erected.

New Station

New Station Among new stations competing for the Single Campaign award, the winner proved to be KWEM, of West Memphis, Ark. The 1,000-watt indie staged a series of shows titled Caval-cade of the Mid-South, in which it saluted each week a different city in its listening area, in Arkansas, Tennessee and Mississippi. Promo-

### KUGN, WOLF, KVFD Leaders Among Low - Wattage Stations

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methods. For instance, every morning the station covered all city restaur-ants and clubs with attractive sheets titled Lunch Hour Headlines. These mimeo sheets scored a clean beat on the city's afternoon newspapers.

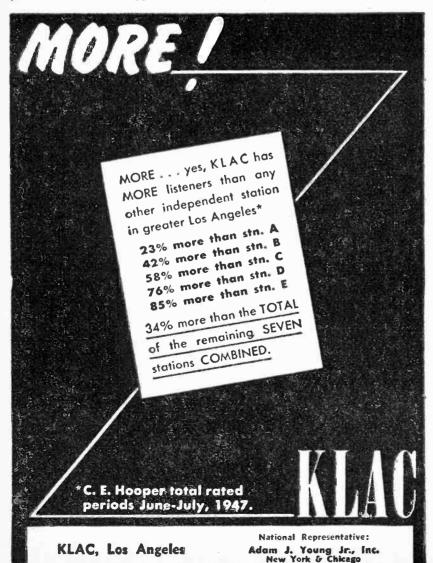
Another evidence of promotional alertness is the station's check-up on parked automobiles. When a KUGN operative finds a car which is ripe for a ticket, he drops a nickel into the parking meter thereby saving the parking meter, thereby saving the motorist some coin and trouble. A colorful handbill deposited in the car is good for a laugh by the uncaught offender and undoubtedly creates tremendous good will. In addition to these out-of-the-ordinary evidences of promotion, KUGN makes full use of traditional methods, all adding up to an outstanding promotional effort.

#### Falcon Stunt Wins

Basis of WOLF's win the Single Campaign category was the Falcon promotion contest inaugurated by American Safety Razor for Mutual

tions involving the "salute" cities milked all possibilities, from personal appearances to transcribed shows, besides the more orthodox techniques.

Public Service champion in the new station category is KAKC, Tulsa 1,000-watter, which between its de-but in late December and August 1 devoted 445 hours and 12 minutes of air time to public service shows and announcements. Scarcely a single local or national project of any worth or importance was not more than adequately covered by the sta-tion and this was not confined only to tion, and this was not confined only to the routine campaigns: KAKC also caters to Tulsa's 30,000 Negro popu-lation with special and regular programing.



affiliates in July, 1946. Station decid-ed to hide the Falcon in the ball park between games of a double header and award prizes to the person who and award prizes to the person who spotted him. Days prior to the broad-cast, WOLF plugged the promotion on the air, via the loud speaker sys-tem at the park, special handbills, window displays and other means. It all paid off, with the station hitting a Hooper of 12.8 as against the national average of 7.4. Sponsor made a pres-entation of the idea so that other sta-tions could use it. tions could use it.

KVFD's win in the Public Service class resulted from an unusual public service which, tho not intended as a promotional device, nevertheless strongly pointed up the station's power and good will in the com-munity. The story, given in the sta-tion's entry, tells of the fund raised by the station for the benefit of a young-ster who lost an arm and a leg in an the station for the benefit of a young-ster who lost an arm and a leg in an accident. Parents of the lad were about to sell their home to meet ex-penses, but this was obviated by the station's campaign — which cleared over \$14,000 in a community of 25,000.

over \$14,000 in a community of 25,000. In connection with the fund, sta-tion promoted special events includ-ing a baseball game, prize fight, variety show and auction. Children held carnivals and fairs. There were soft drink sales, daily bulletins on the lad's condition, special meetings by YMCA and other organizations. It all added up to a demonstration of the added up to a demonstration of the goodness and power of radio, and, in-directly, national publicity.

Second and third position in the Overall class of the local channel net-Overall class of the local channel net-work affiliate division were taken respectively by KELO, Sioux Falls, S. D., and KRGV, Weslaco, Tex. KELO did a sound job of consistent all-around local promotion. KRGV scarcely misses any promotional bets and topped off its last year's activity with a 20th anniversary celebration which drew 5,000 to an open house party.

party. Single Campaign runners-up were, WSLI, Jackson, Miss., which conduct-ed a thoro and imaginative campaign ed a thoro and imaginative campaign in connection with its switch to 5,000 watts and 930 kc. on the dial, and WTAX, Springfield, Ill., whose show, *The Market Basket*, is an outstanding example of programing plus promo-tion. Latter involves co-operation and sponsorship of leading grocery stores and distributors, with one store per week being the scene of a daily audi-ence participation show cut via wire recorder.

ence participation show cut via wire recorder. In the Public Service category, sec-ond place went to WHYN, Holyoke, Mass., which promotes its pubserv programs with the same heavy bar-rage used on commercials. Third to WEBR, Buffalo, which absorbed costs of a daily summer beached costs of a daily summer baseball quiz pro-gram in order to encourage boys' clubs and acquaint the public with the civic value of the boys' organiza-

### Mutual's "Shadow" Set as Co-Op Seg

CHICAGO, Sept. 13. — Mutual Broadcasting System's program, The Shadow, will be sold as a co-op show from now on, MES spokesmen said here this week. Last year the pro-gram, a Charles Michaelson package originating in New York, was spon-sored on a split-network basis by the Balm Barr Hand Cream Company and the Blue Coal Company. Behind the move, MBS says, is the realization on the part of networks and package companies that they can get just as much or more money sell-

and package companies that they can get just as much or more money sell-ing shows co-op, with a lot less head-aches. The say that MBS and other nets are coming to the belief that dealing with agencies and sponsors brings about a lot of unnecessary operations.

### Indie Station **Entries** Marked **By Originality**

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mail. Relving upon ingenuity instead, WGAY hit a publicity jackpot when co-owner Joseph Brechner sold an co-owner Joseph Brechner sold an article on the travails of setting up a new station to *The Saturday Evening* Post. Needless to say, the station plugged itself and that issue thruout its local area, making itself a distinct force as a result. WGAY also took ad-vantage of the publicity potentials in-herent in name personalities by hir-ing, on short-term contracts, people like Harold Ickes, grid star Steve Bagarus, and war correspondent Don Bell. Bell.

Bell. Second and third prizes in Overall Promotion went to WITH, Baltimore, and WFOX, Milwaukee, both 250-watters. WITH cashed in on the basis of its attractive series of trade paper ads. WFOX stressed thoro use of the basic promotional elements: bill-boards, signs on cabs, match books, gifts to advertisers and listeners, di-rect mail and ads. rect mail and ads.

rect mail and ads. Another unusual concept cleared the way for WAAF, Chicago 1000-watter, to win first place in the Single Campaign contest among the less-than-5000 watt indies. With a Negro population of 350,000 in the Windy City, WAAF sought to win over this great potential buying market by spe-cial programing featuring the veteran Negro announcer, Jack L. Cooper. Cooper headed a disk show, a quiz program and a Sunday night forum. WAAF exploited its shows by appeal-ing directly to the Negro populace thru the national and local Negro press and by direct mail to organiza-tions interested in such shows. Ef-fectiveness was proved when Cooper's fectiveness was proved when Cooper's time was expanded from two and a half to six and a half hours weekly. WSUA, Bloomington, Ind., 1000-watter took second honors in the Sin-

watter took second honors in the Sin-gle Campaign competition for its pro-motion of the Monon Railroad's cen-tennial celebration. This it did thru special programing, a jingle contest, display easels, window posters and a tie-in with the railroad's "Belle of the Monon" beauty contest. Third prize was awarded to WCMW, Canton, O., 1000-watter, for its use of its own facilities in promoting the local In-dustrial and Mercantile Exposition by means of 88 broadcasts in a single means of 88 broadcasts in a single week,and tying in all its local shows with the exposition.

week,and tying in all its local shows with the exposition. **Pubserv Champ** In the realm of Public Service pro-motion, the champion independent under 5000 watts was another 250-watt outlet, KIEV, Glendale, Calif., which made effective use of its own programing on such themes as reli-gion, army recruiting, and educational and civic affairs. Stuntwise, the sta-tion held a combination baby-sitting contest and safety campaign, with the listeners best informed on safety regulations getting announcer Dick Whittinghill's services as baby sitter. The municipally-owned WNYC, New York, 1,000-watt station, gained second place in the public service field thru its "Public Service Spot Announcement Packet," in which it supplies some 41 other local stations with spots on about 50 municipal, State, federal or private philanthropie work projects. Third award was tak-en by KMYR, Denver 250-watter, which offers coverage of every local sports activity backed with display ads, mailing pieces, and top local pub-licity, as well as coverage of other ads, mailing pieces, and top local pub-licity, as well as coverage of other special activities such as the weekly Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

trouble for the nets and that the move is toward having nets produce shows, sell them co-op and thus elim-inate trouble with big net sponsors and agencies who can be more de-manding that those engaged in local

September 20, 1947

### **Regional Stations Outshine** Key Centers; KMBC, KECA, **KLZ** Take First Honors

(Continued from page 6) ver. In the Single Campaign Di-vision, second and third places, re-spectively, went to WFIL, ABC's af-filiate in Philadelphia, and WKY, NBC station in Oklahoma City. In the Public Service Division, two sta-tions tied for second: WMT, CBS-MBS outlet in Cedar Rapids, Ia., and WKY, NBC station in Oklahoma City. Third was won by WSYR, NBC out-let in Syracuse, N. Y.

### Well-Rounded Promotion

Judges granted KMBC the nod in the Overall division on the basis of a well-rounded promotion effort cov-ering phases of sales, audience build-ing and public service. Station used solid standard methods including its solid standard methods including its own air time, paid and free space, taxi cards, house organs, booths at conventions and shows, and topped this off with publication of Ed Shur-ick's The First Quarter Century of American Broadcasting. Tome by Shurick (until recently the station's promotion director) was carefully compiled and aggressively promoted in such a way as to benefit both in such a way as to benefit both KMBC and the radio industry gen-erally. Public service-wise, KMBC erally. Public service-wise, KMBC runs an outstanding Big Brother Club activity, slanted for children and in-cluding such giveaways as calendars, bookmarks and balloons. Stationt heavily promotes its School of the Air show, its special short newscasts for show, its special short newscasts for civic groups and an educational house organ defending radio against un-warranted criticism and promoting KMBC which goes regularly to par-ent-teachers groups, educators, et al. These are but examples of the con-sistent promotion which won the judges top award.

KECA took the Single Campaign class by virtue of its promotion of ABC's Bing Crosby program. Station pointed out that the Groaner's Hooper on KECA during the past year was 17.0, or about five points better than Crosby's previous show (on NBC) had done on another Los Angeles outhad done on another Los Angeles out-let. This success was achieved via both stunts and more routine methods. At the Brown Derby res-taurant, for instance, station covered the 1104 caricatures of Hollywood celebrities with identical caricatures of Bing. Another stunt had stickers with time and day of the show pasted on 10,000 pennies. Alert to crowd appeal, KECA had an airplane drag a Crosby trailer above Los Angeles. These are typical. In a more routine way, KECA used streetcar dash-boards, five billboards, 1,500 posters, lobby displays, air plugs, splash lay-outs, dealer tie-ins and numerous other devices—all of them adding to to very strong impact. KLZ's Pubserv Win

KLZ's Pubserv Win KLZ's win in the Public Service category was based on an excellent programing package wrapped around a central theme which gave it great strength. Taking off from the cen-tral idea that 1946-'47 presented many few problems in addition to the old. new problems in addition to the old, KLZ thereupon scheduled a number



of program series designed to clarify of program series designed to clarify issues on the domestic, international, scientific and social levels. Typical series included Behind the Atom, en-abling the listener to grasp the im-plications of atomic energy; Foreign Reporter, fostering world understand-ing; Foreigners No Longer, promoting understanding of UNESCO; State's Problem, on legislation before Colo-rado's lawmakers; Colorado Speaks, made up of editorial comment from 100 newspapers, and many others. An made up of editorial comment from 100 newspapers, and many others. An outstanding program on food prob-lems, with high promotional value, was *KLZ's Farm Reporter*, which cost the outlet \$50,000 in 18 months and involved leasing of 20,-000 miles of wires for live remotes from 47 counties.

In addition to inherent promotion value of this type of programing, KLZ achieved noteworthy bally re-sults via trailers, car cards, special mailings and sound use of other rou-tine methods.

#### Runners-Up

Runners-Up In the Overall Division, KDYL's winner of second place, impressed with an entry pointing up intensive co-operation with agencies, merchan-dising displays, store interiors, local advertiser contact, teaser announce-ments. KLZ, third, submitted an ex-hibit indicating a hard-hitting job in promoting the station to listeners and advertisers via active interest in all phases of community life

advertisers via active interest in all phases of community life. In the Single Campaign Division WFIL grabbed second position with its promotion exploiting the film, *It's a Wonderful Life*. This show-manly job involved a \$500 essay-writing contest bolstered by dramatic shows, a heavy spot campaign and stageshow in which James Stewart, star of the pic, appeared. WKY entry, which landed third, was high-lighted by the two State-wide tours lighted by the two State-wide tours of Bruce Palmer and his Oklahoma's Front Page Editor show, which not only built "editorial" effectiveness for

only built "editorial" effectiveness for the program but also created audi-ences, good will for the station and a strong sales pitch for the sponsor. In the Public Service Division WMT was noteworthy for promotion of its all-inclusive farm 'programing and WKY for its farm safety drive. Both stations tied for second place. Third went to WSYR, on the basis of promotion accorded The New Hori-zon, a program designed to stimulate thinking in the international field.

### **KEARNS STARTLES 'EM**

(Continued from page 16) saying Petrillo drives a hard baras saying Petrillo drives a hard bar-gain but always keeps his word after-ward. After saying the way Petrillo will do business is over a table, Kearns added: "Maybe Jimmy's right," and then urged the FM-ers to "make a deal" on use of music and duplication of web shows over FM "until you really get started." He also declared: "I do think Mr. Petrillo would like to do what's right for you people." people." Net effect of the Kearns talk was

Net effect of the Kearns talk was to move FMA away from its previous bellicose attitude, which included meetings with Department of Justice officials to seek information and ac-tion of forcing Petrillo to deal with them. Kearns' declaration that FMA outght to "go in and appeal" for a probationary FM settlement to cover the industry's growing period rather than to "go in and force things" represented a complete about-face from what most FMA officials and members had expected to hear from the Congressman. Kearns had sub-mitted no advance copies nor given mitted no advance copies nor given prior notice of how he would deal with his topic, *The FM Music Situa*-



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NETWORK PROGRAM

**Reviews & Analyses** 

The Henry Morgan Show Reviewed September 10, 1947

Eversharp, Inc., Eugene E. Felton, Dir. of Advg.

Thru the Biow Company,

Samuel M. Sutter, Acct. Exec.

Via ABC Wednesdays, 10:30-11:00 p.m.

Estimated Talent Cost: \$5,000; producer-director, Charles Powers; writers, Henry Morgan and others; announcer, Charles Irving; music, Bernard Green and orchestra; Cast: Henry Morgan and guests; guests on premiere broadcast: Abe Burrows (comedy song composer).

Last Hooperating for the program (July 2.

Current Hooperating of show follow-ing (Not Available)......None CURRENT HOOPERATINGS OF SHOWS ON OPPOSITION NETWORKS

#### ABOUT THE ADVERTISER

The Eversharp Company, which has expanded its manufacturing to include expanded its manufacturing to include razors as well as pen and pencil sets, is increasing its advertising to keep pace. Current advertising appropriation is known to be somewhere beyond the \$7,000,000 mark. - Last year, nearly \$2,000,000 was devoted to radio, making the firm the 24th largest advertiser in this field. Also bankrolled by this sponsor is "Take It or Leave It," the sponsor is "Take It or Leave It," the quiz show. Eversharp last year put out close to \$1,500,000 for magazine ad-vertising, which made it 32d among users of that medium.

There were high spots and low spots in the season's initial Henry Morgan offering, but the high ones Morgan offering, but the high ones more than compensated for the others. It was pretty much a two-man show, Morgan carrying the ball most of the way, giving way to writer - singer - pianist - humorist Abe Burrows, who took over for a buck thru the middle of the show.

To deal with Burrows first, his To deal with Burrows first, his weird and wonderful ditties are de-serving of a program for them-selves. Fortunately, Burrows now has one. His satire on the flag-waving type of song was strictly aisle-rolling material, and his de-livery of the opus, I'll Bet You're Sorry Now, Tokyo Rose, did it full justice. Burrows probably reached his height with the lines: You Stuck a Knife in the U. S. A. Did You Forget What They Taught You at U. C. L. A.? "Paner" Well Timed

### "Pansy" Well Timed

His concert-type song, This Is the Pansy in My Garden is on its way to becoming a classic after rendi-tions on his own program. The timing, rather than lyrics, was the essence of this, and Burrows socked it home it home.

it home. Morgan, as usual, varied with his material. When he took off on commentators with his H. V. Kal-tenmorgan and Gabriel Morgan-heatter satires, on the profound subject of Little Bo Peep, he shone. The Kaltenmorgan intonation was near perfect, even to the insinuating manner: "I don't know who is responsible for loss of these sheep, but if they are not returned by Soviet Russia, there will be even graver rumors next week." Morganheatter's tear jerker on the lost sheep which nevertheless could still sheep which nevertheless could still wag their tails also was hilarious. So the listener could feel ade-quately repaid even for such lesser stuff as Morgan's take-off on Churchill describing a prize fight, a simulated broadcast from a Paris-ian duel and a poor Dr. Heinrich Von Morgan offering. Thing about this show is the an-

Thing about this show is the an-(See Henry Morgan on opp. page)

Theater Guild on the Air Reviewed September 7, 1947

CONT

United States Steel Corp. of Delaware Charles R. Moffatt, Dir. of Adv.

Thru Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn, Inc.,

Leonard Erikson, Acct. Exec.

Via ABC Sundays, 9:30-10:30 p.m.

Estimated Talent Cost: \$17,500; pro-ducer, Carol Irwin; director, Homer Fickett; writer, Erik Barnouw; an-nouncer, Norman Brokenshire; announc-er ("Voice of U. S. Steel"), George er ("Voice of U. S. Steel"), George Hicks; play adapted for this broadcast, "One Sunday Afternoon," by James Hagan; cast: Jimmy Stewart, Haila Stoddard, Augusta Dabney, Leon Jan-ney, Roger Pryor; music, Harold Levey orthester orchestra.

Current Hooperating of show following (Sustaining) None

(Sustaining) .....Nor CURRENT HOOPERATINGS OF SHOWS ON OPPOSITION NETWORKS

CBS: Tony Martin (9:30-10)...... 6.1 Xavier Cugat Show (10-10:30)..... 4.4 

"Take It or Leave It" (10-10:30)...10.1

ABOUT THE ADVERTISER

United States Steel Corporation, de-livering institutional messages rather than attempting to sell consumer goods, has turned more and more toward radio has turned more and more toward radio from magazines in recent years. With-out any radio expenditures at all in 1943 and 1944, Steel entered the radio picture in 1945, spending close to \$400,000, and jumped that figure in 1946 to near the \$1,200,000 mark. Magazine expenditures, meanwhile, dipped from about \$600,000 in 1945 to \$500,000 last year.

With competition among the full-our dramatic airers becoming with competition among the full-hour dramatic airers becoming keener than ever this fall, U. S. Steel's Theater Guild on the Air returned this week at a new time and giving every indication that it will be a toughie to top. Moved up from 10 p.m. Sundays to 9:30, up from 10 p.m. Sundays to 9:30, paced by a roster of top caliber radio, legit and picture thesps and fortified by pivotal producing and directing strength as evidenced by Carol Irwin and Homer Fickett respectively, *Theater Guild* seems ready to cross dramatic foils with its competition which includes Ford ready to cross oramatic folls with its competition, which includes Ford Theater, Studio One and Lux Radio Theater. Initial offering, starring Jimmy Stewart in James Hagan's One Sunday Afternoon, got Steel's third season off to a sturdy start.

The sentimental, whimsical vehicle proved near-perfect for Stew-art's droll performance as Biff Grimes, the simple, well-intentioned dental student whose boyhood feud with a pal over a girl ultimately caught up with him. Leon Janney turned in a remarkable perform-ance as the vindictive buddy, Hugo, showing exceptional changes in voice texture in the process of play-ing an aging man. Haila Stoddard, as the girl who played them off, and Augusta Dabney, as the girl friend who married Stewart on the re-bound, were equally fine. The bound, were equally fine. The moods were sustained neatly by Harold Levey's orchestra.

Rating figures used are supplied by the C. E. Hooper or-ganization. Data concerning advertiser expenditures, cam-paign themes, etc., is complied by interviews with agencies and advertisers and is based on latest available information. The Prudential Family Hour Reviewed September 7, 1947 The Prudential Insurance Company of America,

George E. Potter, Vice-Pres. Chg. Advg. Thru Benton & Bowles, Inc.,

Michael Carlock, Acct. Exec. Via CBS

Sundays, 5:00-5:30 p.m.

**Estimated Talent Cost**, \$9,000; pro-ducer-director, Ken Burton; writer, Alan Sloane; announcer, Frank Gallop; talent: Al Goodman's Orchestra, Rise Stevens, Prudential Male Chorus.

Current Hooperating of the program .... 2.5 Average Hosperating for shows of this type (Popular Music).....

AEC: "Dart for Dough"...... 2.5 MBS and NBC: Sustaining.....None

#### ABOUT THE ADVERTISER

Prudential's radio appropriation has grown steadily from 1943, when it ran just over half a million, until last year when it was more than three times that amount — \$1,800,000 or thereabouts. Its magazine appropriation, on the other hand, has remained constant, averaging around \$400,000 a year. Thru all the firm's advertising runs its keynote of family security via insurance.

Prudential's Sunday afternoon *Family Hour* has been more or less of a landmark on CBS for some years, and its return this season years, and its return this season shows no change. The program al-ways has been marked by top-flight music, from the standpoint both of the singer and the orchestra, and earnest commercials earmarked by an air of sincerity. Conductor is Al Goodman, who on the initial show did his usual crisp, well-arshow did his usual Crisp, well-ar-ranged job, while Rise Stevens, the regular canary on the series, socked over in a variety of tunes, classic and semi-classic. Number selec-tion certainly lacked inspiration, with Goodman hauling out the in-evitable Oklahoma! medley. Can't evitable Oklahoma! medley. Can't these musical stanzas ever start off sans the surrey?

Scriptwise, too, the show fails to match its musical quality. Intros to the numbers, as well as the patter with Frank Gallop, the announcer, are strictly in the routine groove. The chatter is artificial, insincere and devoid of any warmth or nas and devoid of any warmth or na-turalness; it smacks of a first play by an eager beaver eight grader. You know, admission—two pins.

Gallop does a straightforward job in presenting the sponsor's talks as to the advantages of insurance, with special reference to college tuition polyaios for fourily tuition policies for family men. Jerry Franken.

Warmth of the opus came clearly thru the adaptation, with Stewart, the ambitious, slightly braggado-cian youth, bitter over loss of his girl and a year in jail on a trumped-um charge mellowing into a smallup charge, mellowing into a small-town dentist who discovers the charm and sincerity of the girl he chose as second best. If the pacing sagged somewhat in the middle flashbacks of Biff Grimes's travails after a strong and flavorsome look (See Theater Guild on opp. page

Hour of Charm With Phil Spitalny's Orchestra Reviewed September 7, 1947

**Electric Companies' Advertising** Program,

Edward R. Dunning, Agency Contact Thru N. W. Ayer & Son, Inc.,

Thomas Collison, Acct. Exec.

Director, Joe Ripley; announcer, Paul Boentson. Talent: Phil Spitalny's All-Girl Orchestra and Glee Club, with Jo-anne, Evelyn, and Betty Kelly.

With the struggle between various "isms" at a crescendo these days, ap-proximately 100 electric light and power companies have been plugging Americanism for several years now via radio, magazines and farm papers. Nar-rowing down the American way story to their own efforts, the utilities do a convincing job of getting across the contention that in the United States, with electric light and power companies owned and operated by individual busi-ness men, power rates have remained extremely low despite the zooming of many other staples. In 1946 the group spent better than \$500,000 in radio, about \$410,000 in magazines, and just short of an additional \$100,000 going into farm papers. Peak radio appropri-ation was in 1944, when they put some \$650,000 into air advertising, as against approximately \$300,000 into magaapproximately \$300,000 into maga-zines, with no farm paper budget at all. That more and more American industries will go in for group plugging on a basis similar to that of the power folks is generally believed in business circles.

To win an audience to which to and hess-managed electric light and power companies, these utilities could hardly find a more suitable vehicle than maestro Phil Spitalny's Hour of Charm. Stressing, as it has for years, carefully selected, ex-pertly arranged, middle-brow mu-sic, the stanza is a cinch to continue to please that portion of the public ear which doesn't care for a straight

but where a highly effective change of pace is effected, not only tempoof pace is effected, not only tempo-wise but in spotting lively numbers ahead of pallid type tunes (It's Gonna Be a Great Day, with Lo, Hear the Gentle Lark following), but instrumentally by having a smooth, rich Evelyn violin job on You and the Night and the Music, followed by a brass choir doing variations on My Old Kentucky Home. Home.

Subtle ability to turn the entersubtle ability to turn the enter-tainment theme of the show into the "American Way" commercial pitch is shown by portions of the script, such as that in which Joanne, prior to a well-done warbling chore, (See Hour of Charm on opp. page)

Via CBS Sundays, 4:30-5 p.m.

Last Hooperating for the program (July 6,

#### ABOUT THE ADVERTISER

tell the message of American busi-ness-managed electric light and

ear which doesn't care for a straight type of either popular or longhair. Showmanship is evident, not only in selection and spotting of tunes,

### Listerine Hot Part II **For Abe Burrows**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.-Decision as to whether Listerine will sponsor Abe Burrows on Columbia is expected to be forthcoming before the week is out. Deal was red hot this week. Lambert & Feasley is the agency.

Burrows, who arrived in New York last week, is being given a build-up by CBS and is being touted as the comedy find of the year.

### New Type Newscast **Tees Off at WIND**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.-Harry Reutlinger, for the past 15 years execu-tive city editor of The Chicago Herald American, will start a new type news show on WIND, local indie here, to-morrow (14) under the sponsorship of Gibby's, Inc., restaurant owners. Reutlinger, one of Chi's better known newsmaper men will do a program newspaper men, will do a program called *The City Editor Speaks* Sun-days from 7:15 to 7:25 p.m.

Reutlinger's format will be unique in that it won't be a straight com-mentary, news report or news predic-tion airing. Instead he will review his city editor's "future book" and will tell the inside stories of the items be has chosen for forthcoming week's he has chosen for forthcoming week's assignments at the paper.

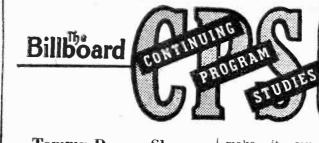
For example, if there is to be an interesting divorce case coming up fol-lowing week, Reutlinger will outline the history of the case, discuss the personalities of the lawyers involved and cite the records of the presiding judge in similar cases. The same formula will apply to hearings on everything from criminal trials to hankrunteise bankruptcies.

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**REPRODUCTION** 

LARGEST





**Tommy Dorsey Show** Reviewed September 10, 1947 Participating Over WMCA, New York 5,000 Watts Monday Thru Friday, 10 to 11 a.m. and 7 to 8 p.m.

Producer, Alfred Hollender; director-writer, Bud Paganucci; musical director, Leonard Feather; commercial announc-er for WMCA, Joe O'Brien.

Latest addition to the swelling roster of name disk jockeys is maestro Tommy Dorsey, who does a smooth job in his transcribed plat-ter-spinning job. The program, waxed by Louis G. Cowan, Inc., is currently being aired over about 150 stations other than WMCA, for one hour daily.

Initial offerings have tended to prove the redoubtable TD a good prospective mike personality, altho he found the slick scripting job a bit exacting and had his tongue twisting over Bud Paganucci's hep lines on occasion. This, however, should smooth out as the show rolls on.

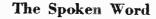
on, Musically, the program is fla-vorsome and attractive. Leonard Feather, wandering a bit afield from the straight jazz pitch, has rounded up a flock of good standard and come comis closed on the bight of a bit some semi-classics which lend a bit some semi-classics which lend a bit of tune to the show. The Dorsey tended to sound apologetic about the latter, they nevertheless will likely be put over by sheer dint of his personality, if nothing else.

#### Easy Draw

As a national name, TD should have little difficulty in acquiring a flock of loyal listeners who will tune him in just to catch the voice of a musical great. The show, de-spite the fierce battles among the disk jocks, should land its fair share

of sponsors. Technically, the program is something of a headache. The Cowan office has to ship out to each station carrying the program a copy of the records introduced by Dorsey. The local announcer, too, must blend his copy and voice levels in with the transcribed Dorsey portion to make it sound authentic. Joe O'Brien, WMCA's man, rehearsed with the platters for a week prior to the program's preem. He did an able job of familiarizing himself, and the officiat is guite regulation and the effect is quite realistic. Sam Chase.

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Reviewed September 9, 1947 Sustaining on WNEW, New York Tuesday 9-9:15 p.m.

Estimated Talent Cost: \$50; cast, Arnold Moss; writers, public domain.

This program again proves the old point that showmanship often is a better than first-class substitute for bulging budgets. For with the expenditure of a few dollars for record albums (if, indeed, they were paid for at all), plus the fee it is paying Arnold Moss as emsee, WNEW has come up with a pro-gram that is compelling and stirring and may—as it was on the initial broadcast—even be memorable.

Series consists of recordings of literature's classics—Shakespeare, Sheridan, the Bible and many other sources. With these as the start-ing point, the station has lined up a 52-week supply of platters using top names as the readers. Thus, the first show had Paul Muni, Charles Laughton and Bing Crosby, reading respectively Tom Paine's The Crisis; the Gettysburg Address The Crisis; the Gettysburg Address and, of all things, The Star-Spangled Banner. Future programs will offer John Barrymore, Walter Hampden, George Bernard Shaw, Otis Skin-ner, Judith Anderson, Orson Welles and others. For an indie—or a major—station, that's an imposing array of names to be listed in a program log program log.

#### Laughton's Classic

Laughton's reading of the fa-Laughton's reading of the fa-mous Lincoln speech has long since been accepted as a classic, and it is just that. Following Muni's Smith-fieldian handling of *The Crisis*, marked by an artificial, corny de-livery—fortunately you can't chew scenery via wax—the quiet dignity and sincerity with which Laughton



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Sustaining over WQXR

Thursdays, 7:30-8 p.m. Producer-announcer, Chester Stanton. Writer: Emery Deutsch.

Since the radio audience has accepted several other types of disk jockey programs, there is no reason to doubt that it will absorb another —a jockey of gypsy music platters. The program should be even more acceptable to longhairs and semilonghairs, inasmuch as it has Emery Deutsch, well-known composer and violinist, spinning the disks.

Deutsch has a deep, attractive voice and speaks in cultured ac-cents, bound to be pleasing to the audience at which this show is di-rected. He apparently is nervous at the idea of speaking with any-thing but his violin, but as soon as he relayes and begins to introduce he relaxes and begins to introduce some of the anecdotes and back-ground bits which he must have picked up during his many years in show business and on the air, the show undoubtedly will pick up from a rather-slow start. In this show, Deutsch aired eight disks with very brief comment or

In this show. Deutsch aired eight disks with very brief comment on the music and its origin. Aside from the gypsy music, there was lit-tle difference from a regular WQXR musical program. Those who like gypsy will listen anyway, but Deutsch can attract a much greater audience if he brings in the be-hind-the-scene info. The sooner he does so the better. does so the better. George Berkowitz.

delivered his lines came over as a true boff. It took a Crosby, in a distinct recording switch, to follow something like that. Bing's read-ing of the national anthem, sup-ported by a speaking chorus, is an unusual and intriguing enterprise, giving new meaning to familiar giving new meaning to familiar

wordage. If the rest of the series can offer more of the same, it will be worth remembering. Jerry Franken.

### THEATER GUILD

(Continued from opposite page) into his early youth, it did so mainly because the script limped a bit and not because of the efforts of cast or director. In short, for Sunday-night family-type listening fare, this offering stacked up strongly.

Commercials consisted of a brief lead-off pitch and then George Hicks handling institutional messages at the half and three-quarter marks, based on the role played by steel in modern living. Tho the latter two hovered about the twominute mark in length, they were interestingly handled and were far less objectionable than a high percentage of shorter, more raucous plugs. Norman Brokenshire was the announcer. Roger Pryor, besides playing a bit part, ushered in and wrapped up the show.

Sam Chase.

#### HOUR OF CHARM

(Continued from opposite page) tells of how she dreamed of joining the Hour of Charm group while still a choir singer in Whitehead, Wis. . . . and now here she is with the group.

Instrumental segments of the show, choral work and individual performances (Betty Kelly turns in a nice vocal specialty backed by the choir in addition to Evelyn's Stradivarius craftsmanship and Joanne's number), the well-disciplined musicianship is plain to hear.

Paul Boentsen does the commercials in an authoritative and nonaggressive manner, in keeping with the over-all picture. Plugs stress economies to users of electric products used and sold by American ducts used and firms. business-managed firms. Joe Csida.

#### HENRY MORGAN

(Continued from opposite page) ticipation connected to it, something many comedians of far longer tenure seem to have forgotten. Even when the lines are not in themselves strikingly funny, the listener is pretty sure something particularly good is right around the next commercial.

The two plugs, by the way, both were delivered by Morgan. First was his own, at the midway mark, was his own, at the midway mark, and was wry humor spieled straight. Second, a bit later on, was a straight pitch which Morgan read in ex-aggerated manner. This one usually is done by announcer Charlie Irv-ing, whose voice was not heard un-til the show's sign-off announce-ment. Something new has been added to that push-pull click-click business: Music, designed to give the same sound effect. It's doubt-ful that anything can salvage that little business. But Morgan's re-turn throws a ray of light into a somewhat dull week of returning shows. Sam Chase. shows. Sam Chase.

### FMA Turnabout on Petrillo; NAB, NAM, Legion Vs. FCC? Will Try Dickering With AFM

(Continued from page 16) marked the first annual convention of the Frequency Modulation Associof the Frequency Modulation Associ-ation (FMA) here this week-end. About 500 FM-ers turned up for the sessions ready to defy the AFM chief and battle him down to the wire for the right to broadcast live music and to duplicate AM programing on FM. But after being brought up short by a conciliatory luncheon address yes-terday by Congressman Carroll D. Kearns (R., Pa.), they wound up their sessions the following day ready to shake hands and negotiate with the to shake hands and negotiate with the musicians' chief.

musicians' chief. Taking a lead from the address (see story on Page 16) of Kearns, who had been expected to lead the onslaught against Petrillo, the FMA instead awaited the early appoint-ment of a special committee by FMA's new president, Everett L. Dillard. This group will seek a meet-ing with Kearns and Petrillo to work out a general formula for use of music on FM, probably on an interim basis on FM, probably on an interim basis until FM broadcasting is on its feet.

#### Heated Debate

Nevertheless, still worried about any attempts to hamstring FM's growth, whether by the AM networks or the AFM, the convention held a heated debate about a key resolution submitted on the conclave's final day. submitted on the conclave's final day. Ultimately passed over scattered dis-senting votes, the resolution was di-rected against possible network re-fusal to permit web programs to be used on FM, should FMA and Petrillo reach agreement. It also, indirectly, sought to prevent any agreements, signed or unsigned, between the webs and AFM which might preclude du-plication of network programing. The resolution called upon the

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Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to order a legislative hearing to "determine whether a rule should be adopted prohibiting network agreements with station licensees which prevent the simultaneous broadcast of programs over both AM and FM facilities."

### Good Augury

Auguring well for a "probationary" solution of the music problem was the revelation that a number of FM sta-tions thrucut the country already tions thruout the country already have AFM permission to use musi-cians, either on a single-engagement or on a weekly basis. These include WGNB and WBBM, Chicago; WLWA, Cincinnati; WHAS, Louisville; KOCY, KOMH, KTOK and WKY, Oklahoma City; WFIL, Philadelphia; KDKA-FM and WWSW, Pittsburgh; KAKC, Tulsa, Okla.; WSYR, Syracuse; WBCA, Schenectady, N. Y., and WEW-FM, St. Louis.

WBCA, Schenectady, N. Y., and WEW-FM, St. Louis. Probationary formula is believed based on Petrillo's assertion to Kearns that he is "willing to scale down" AFM rates to FM stations, possibly 20 to 25 per cent, at least during the present period. One solution which may be reached between FMA and Petrillo could have AFM local unions decide how much the scale might be decide how much the scale might be dropped, based upon local conditions. dropped, based upon local conditions. The convention ended with most FM broadcasters optimistic for the first time about an early solution to the thorny music and duplication problems which have plagued them for so long. But several are known to believe that next year's FMA con-vention will be severely tested by new vention will be severely tested by new problems in the allocation structure dealing with co-channel and ad-jacent-channel interference as new outlets come on the air.

### **Northcross To Head** Gallup Research Div.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The new radio research division of Dr. George Gallup's Audience Research, Inc., will be headed by Samuel H. North-cross, who has been appointed a vice-president of the organization. He resigned from his post in charge of radio research of Young & Rubicam, Inc. (V & P. D) to take the Gallun job radio research of Young & Rubleam, Inc., (Y & R) to take the Gallup job. Northcross had worked, before the war, with the Gallup Poll and with Benson & Benson, Inc., and held his post with Y & R for the past two vears.

### **Bonita Granville** Offered in New Seg

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 13 .- A new package being offered around to the agencies here stars Bonita Granville, a film celeb since her childhood days.

Titled, This Is Our Life, show is said to be a dramatic vehicle with other Hollywood names guesting.

### **5 PROMOTION AWARDS**

5 PROMOTION AWARDS (Continued from page 16) The Billboard. First prize went to WFMR, New Bedford, Mass.; second to WIZZ, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., and third award to WKNB, New Britain, Mass. The FMA itself issued five special awards for outstanding contributions to FM in 1947. They went to Jack Gould, radio editor of The New York Times; Rep. Carroll D. Kearns; Cyril M. Braum, chief FM engineer of the Federal Communications Commission; the University of Wisconsin, for esthe University of Wisconsin, for es-tablishing the first non-commercial educational FM network, and Everett L. Dillard, for setting up the FM Continental web, first commercial FM network.

## Drive On for Revision of Act

#### (Continued from page 12)

Legion and NAM might follow the pattern of recent legislative pressure drives by declaring publicly later this year their support for the legislative changes proposed by NAB.

NAB's legislative proposals would drastically limit the scope of FCC's operations, reducing that body to a routine "paper-handling" role. Many of the proposals, as outlined to NAB members at Atlantic City, would result in a complete overhauling of the Communications Act of 1934 and run directly counter to numerous key features of the White Bill, which was shelved at the last session of Congress.

#### **Changes Recommended**

A m o n g NAB's recommended changes in the act are provisions subject to FCC to judicial review and to prohibit FCC from exercising any kind of administrative judgment on kind of administrative judgment on radio programing. President Justin Miller, of NAB, who is credited chief-ly for the association's legislative "reform" proposals, told White's special sub-committee on radio op-erations at hearings last June that "the commission has been able to varied indicicle review by the technique avoid judicial review by the technique of writing into its opinions dictum which is thus set up for the guidance of broadcasters, while at the same time deciding cases in such manner as to present the possibility of ju-dicial review."

In keeping with changes urged more than a year ago by Miller, the NAB legislative proposals would end the existing power of FCC to dethe existing power of FCC to de-termine license renewals. NAB wants instead to limit FCC to a role of automatically rubber-stamping all license renewals unless a "substan-tial"" complaint against a particular station is registered legally by an ital"" complaint against a particular station is registered legally by an "outside" group or individual. Ac-cording to Miller, "the short-term licenses enjoyed by broadcasters, the extensive and practically unlimited power of the commission to decide whether renewals shall be granted at the end of these short periods upon a basis of 'public interest, convenience and necessity,' and the capacity of the commission for setting up standards of performance by means of reports, dicta, etc., has produced a situation in which the administrative interpre-tations of the commission have be-come law." Freedom of Expression

#### Freedom of Expression

NAB's proposed legislative changes are based upon the concept, often exare based upon the concept, often ex-pressed by Miller and his colleagues, that radio warrants constitutional freedom given to newspapers and that it should not "suffer any re-striction" that endangers "freedom of expression." NAB in this way is anxious to outrightly void FCC's "Blue Book" policy as well as the

### Chizzini Exits Chi For N. Y. NBC Post

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—Frank Chiz-zini, manager of NBC's central di-vision recording department, will join the net's sales department in New York October 15. Chizzini will be succeeded by Scott E. Keck, presently Chizzini's assistant, a post he has had for the nest year. for the past year.

for the past year. Chizzini joined the NBC network sales promotion department in New York in 1934. A year later he be-came assistant manager of the New York radio recording division and in 1940 was promoted to head of the recording division here.

commission's authority to review program structure of commercial broadcast stations.

Altho Miller's recommendations, when expressed at the White bill hearings, received stormy opposition from the White subcommittee members, it is now expected by NAB insiders that the new drive will bring about some important shifts in sentiment not only within White's group but also in both houses of Congress. It but also in both houses of Congress. It is generally known that Sen. Robert A. Taft (R., O.), GOP leader of the Senate and a 1948 presidential pos-sibility, called a halt to the White committee's attempt to push the measure which had been offered "ex-perimetally" by the Sanata commit perimentally" by the Senate commit-tee chairman, who himself is a pivotal man on the GOP Senate board of strategy.

#### NAB Set Precedent

NAB established precedent for it-NAB established precedent for ft-self by distributing copies of the legislative proposals to delegates. NAB's strategists have decided to give the proposals additional circula-tion thru NAB reports. Issuance of the recommendations at the convention is regarded as providing a spring-board for public appeal by bracing the issue three months before the opening of the next regular session opening of the next regular session of Congress. NAB in urging a re-writing of the Communications Act is insisting that the federal regulatory body confine itself strictly to "techni-cal" safety negulatory activities which cal" safety regulatory activities which would result in drastic reduction of the FCC staff.

### **NAB** Frames Strong Code

(Continued from page 12) monly accepted moral, social and ethical ideals characteristic of American life.

2. They should contribute to healthy personality development. They should contain no material which jeopardizes sound character development.

3. They should provide opportuni-ties not only for entertainment but also cultural growth.

4. Criminals should not be por-trayed as heroes. Cruelty, greed and selfishness should not be presented as worthy motivations. Unfair exploitation of others for personal gain should not be made praiseworthy. Vice in any of its manifestations should not be made appealing or attractive.

5. Programs involving tortures, horror, or the supernatural where likely to terrify or unduly excite the emotions should be avoided.

6. No profanity or vulgarity should be permitted.

7. No reference should be made to kidnaping.

8. No program or episode should contain material or end with an inci-dent which will create in the child's mind morbid suspense or other harm-ful nervous reactions.

9. No appeal should be made to the child to help characters in the story by sending in box tops or wrappers. There should be no appeals urging children to purchase the product in

order to keep the program on the air. 10. Since contests and offers which encourage children to enter strange places and to converse with strangers in an effort to collect box tops or wrappers may present a definite ele-ment of danger to the children, they should not be accepted." The Billboard

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### **TV** Applications Reduced to 12; **Two New Grants**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) file of video bids is now down to 12 with announcement last week of two new grants. Elm City Broadcasting Corporation was given a construction permit for a new station in New Haven, Conn., and WDEL's reinstated application was granted for a new station in Wilmington.

WDEL's petition to reinstate was submitted several weeks ago after the Wilmington station had dropped its earlier bid because of the contro-versy over color television.

Three of the remaining dozen bids are designated for hearings—compet-ing bids for a Philadelphia outlet from Daily News and Pennsylvania Broadcasting Company, and Don Lee Broadcasting System bid for a Los Angeles video station.

### Hartford Television Station Is Planned

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 13.— Connecticut Broadcasting Company, which includes stations WDRC and WDRC-FM in Hartford, has an-nounced it will file an application with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for a Hartford television station this month. Franklin M. Doolittle, president of WDRC, said: "The increased output of receivers, public interest in tele-vision and adequate reception of pro-grams point toward the need of an outlet here."

Negotiations were said to be al-ready under way with the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) for re-laying of New York programs to Hartford.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Strike it Rich, CBS sustainer which goes com-mercial for Luden's November 2, will take a brief tour soon in conjunction with the 25th anniversary of WWL, New Orleanse and WHAS Louisville New Orleans, and WHAS, Louisville, Show will air from those cities on September 21 and 28, respectively.



9:05 A.M. A BILLBOARD TRADE SERVICE FEATURE

### WFIL-TV Deb BBC PutsNewsreels **On Video Sept. 15** Brings WPTZ Video Step-Up

**On-Spot Telecasts Expanded** 

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 13.-With WFIL-TV going on the air today with a heavy line-up of on-the-spot telecasts, Philco's WPTZ, which has WFIL-TV been the only video station in town for many years until now, is putting thru a heavy expansion of on-the-spot shows. First of the remote WPTZ pick-ups will be on Sep-tember 23 from Franklin Institute, temper 23 from Frankin Institute, where an hour-long show beginning at 8 p.m. will be presented as Seasons, Climate and Weather. Institute is an educational set-up. Another hour show will originate every Friday at 4 p.m. from the Philadelphia Zoologi-cal Cardens starting Sentember 26

cal Gardens, starting September 26. Ernest B. Loveman, vice-president of Philco Television, declared many of Franco relevision, declared many other on-the-spot telecasts are planned in addition to an expanded sports coverage, WPTZ having added a second mobile unit for remote pickups.

#### **Football Telecast**

WFIL-TV, owned by The Inquirer, morning newspaper, inaugurated reg-ular program service today with the telecast of the complete Philadelphia Eagles-Chicago Bears football game from Franklin Field. Kenneth W. Stowman, television director, whipping his staff in shape, announced the appointment of Ted Estabrook, who appointment of Ted Estabrook, who has his own tele producing company, as staff program producer; Chris Wood Jr., turf handicapper, as staff commentator for racing and horse show telecasts; Walter J. Sheldon, former assistant program director of WCAU here, as editor of The In-quirer Television News program which will be presented nightly at 8, and Max E. Solomon moving over from the WFIL sales staff as tele sales manager. sales manager.

At WFIL, Harry L. Atkinson, as-sistant sales promotion manager of

LONDON, Sept. 13. — Beginning September 15, the television service of British Broadcasting Corporation will feature a 10-minute (BBC) newsreel transmission at 8 p.m. daily. BBC plans to give full coverage to the London and home counties area thru its increased number of record-

thru its increased number of record-ing vans, with the 10 vans scouring the 40-mile range from Alexandra Palace within which the video signal now can be picked up. Talks meanwhile are progressing between BBC and the larger film companies, with settlement reported imminent in the dispute which has the movie firms refusing to permit use of their films over television. When this is ironed out, BBC hopes to use the newsreels of the movie companies, in part or in whole, in-cluding a weekly 15-minute newsreel cluding a weekly 15-minute newsreel on foreign events. Film companies ultimately are expected to supply nearly half of all BBC video transmissions.

the Campbell Soup Company, comes in as business manager.

In addition to a heavy football and racing schedule, WFIL-TV will tele-vise the weekly WFIL broadcasts on Sunday afternoons of *Philadelphia* Sunday afternoons of Philadelphia and Suburban Town Meeting, forum show; Dave Kaigler reading The In-quirer comics for a half-hour Sun-day show, followed by a kiddies show, The Tele-Kids, with WFIL program chief Jack Steck as emsee; a Satur-day night Mr. Fixit showing tele-viewers how to mend things around the house. Full-scale programing will start later in the year when the new WFIL-TV studios are completed adjacent to the Philadelphia Arena, adjacent to the Philadelphia Arena, recently purchased by Walter A. An-nenberg, *Inquirer* publisher, to house his AM, FM, TV and facsimile enterprises.

#### Sponsor Line-Up

WFIL-TV's starting line-up of sponsors includes Judson C. Burns Company, electrical supplies distribuor, buying a sports program thru (See WFIL TV Deb on page 28) tor,

# **Price War May Cut Costs Of City-to-City Television** WASHINGTON, Sept. 13. — The makings of a price war between two common carriers for transmitting inter-city television appeared last week in the wake of a letter from the Federal Communications Com-mission (FCC) to Western Union (WU) giving strong encouragement

the Federal Communications Com-mission (FCC) to Western Union (WU) giving strong encouragement to the company to develop an ex-perimental microwave radio relay circuit between New York and Phila-delphia

If carried out by WU, the system would provide the first real competi-tive threat to the elaborate plans for tive threat to the elaborate plans for coaxial cables worked out by Ameri-can Telephone and Telegraph (AT&T). Telecasters' objections to the high price of transmitting video signals outlined originally by AT&T caused the carrier to withdraw its proposed rate schedule from FCC. At FCC's engineering video confer-ence, many engineers contended that the use of microwaves for network television would ultimately prove cheaper than the coaxial cable. In this connection, the Department of

Whether or not microwave trans-mission actually proves cheaper to operate, it is considered certain that competition between WU and AT&T would force the price of network video down and so provide a spurt for web plans.

FCC's letter was in reply to an in-quiry from WU regarding the car-rier's establishing a microwave cir-cuit between the Columbia Broadcuit between the Columbia Broad-casting System (CBS) outlet in New York and The Evening Bulletin sta-tion in Philadelphia. FCC stated that "the commission looks with favor upon the establishment of such a service . . and would be disposed to look with favor on such an appli-cation." FCC, however, insisted that WU file its bid alone and not in con-nection with either station.

### CBS'S ON-THE-SPOT TV SPOT 7-Wk. Sked To Demonstrate Technique

#### Not Limited to Sports

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- WCBS-TV, Columbia Broadcasting System's (CBS) video outlet in New York, will in the next seven weeks attempt to demonstrate that an on-location technique can be adapted to all major types of programing. Many of the programs scheduled, according to Worthington C. Miner, CBS tele director, will be similar to types of stu-dio production. It is Miner's belief, however, that these on-location tele-casts will be marked by a flexibility of production not possible to obtain under studio conditions.

A significant point is inherent in the CBS point of view, namely, that so-called actuality broadcasts are not necessarily limited to sports or spe-cial events. According to Miner, a misconception that actuality telecasts were thus limited has existed. He believes the reverse is true and that the technique of the actuality telecasts the technique of the actuality telecasts makes possible greater impact. Dramatic and other values are possible in a degree greater than in studio production—and at less cost, says the CBS exec.

#### **Cost Going Up**

The cost of obtaining realistic ef-The cost of obtaining realistic ef-fects is always going up, says Miner, and nobody has enough money to pay for certain realistic effects in studio production. He added that when CBS abandoned studio programing it was not the web's intention to sell tele-vision short. The intention was rather to pioneer in a technique that rather to pioneer in a technique that promises to remove many of the frustrations inherent in studio pro-duction, such as lack of space, in-sufficient camera flexibility and ex-cessive costs cessive costs.

cessive costs. WCBS-TV recently carried an on-location telecast of the Harvest Moon Ball from Madison Square Garden. Last night, on the *Living Art* series from the Brooklyn Museum, the sta-tion was able to present dancers with a degree of dramatic impact that Miner feels has been impossible in a studio. In both instances he believes he attained production values made possible because of the greater flexi-bility of the on-location method, which takes advantage of back-grounds, vistas and other production aids. aids.

#### **Program Types**

The seven-week schedule, which is The seven-week schedule, which is intended to demonstrate the wide range of actuality telecasts, will in-clude the following program types: Two audience participation programs; a flying show, dealing with civilian aviation, picked up from Teterboro Airport; dramatic presentations; two types of fashion programs, one in-volving an audience of 600; cooking program, ballet program and other types now being worked out. In view of the recent withdrawal

In view of the recent withdrawal of major advertisers from studio teleof major advertisers from studio tele-vision, and in view of the complaints of sponsors in the last year on the matter of studio limitations, the WCBS-TV demonstrations are par-ticularly timely. Miner believes he will make some mistakes but is con-fident of proving the adaptability of the on-location method.

free-lance jockey, treasurer. The Cleveland NADJ segment selected the following slate: Brooke Taylor, WJW, chairman; Joe Black, WHB, v.-p.; Marty McNeeley, WJMO, secretary, and Kenny Sleds, WHK, treasurer.

and Kenny Sieds, WHK, treasurer. Barry Gray, NADJ national prexy, who attended both meetings, during which he outlined early progress of the org, said that the code of ethics of the association had been worked out and would be sent out to locals soon. Gray said that some adjust-ment would be made in the \$18 sub-scription fee which was originally scription fee, which was originally asked for *Inside Groove*, official NADJ publication, and the \$10 mem-bership fee, for a canvass of early members indicated that the fee was members indicated that the fee was a bit high, especially for hinterland jocks. Gray also said that the Gotham chapter had discussed the possibility of sending two NADJ delegates to the annual American Federation of Radio Artists' conven-tion next year, at which the NADJ delegates could work for the best interests of the NADJ's who are mem-bers of AFRA. Gray said that the delegates would ask for some extra consideration for disk jockeys, as dif-ferentiated from staff announcers, when contracts were set up. when contracts were set up.

Gray conferred with both chapters Gray conferred with both chapters concerning the proposed one-night promotion affairs. The Chi member-ship originally planned to hold their fund-raising attempt in a smaller stadium, like the Chi Arena, which holds 8,500, but Gray encouraged the group to try to obtain the Sta-

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dium, which holds 25.00, for that type event. Program which was out-lined would feature all jocks who are NADJ local members, introducing an NADJ local members, introducing an all-star cast, made up of record per-sonages. Boys feel that from past co-operation they have received from showbiz figures whon they helped build on wax, they can secure enter-tainers and a band name for scale. Dates set are tentative, with late Oc-tober probably the time for the NADJ one-night bashes.

NADJ one-night bashes. Hugh Douglas, WJJD, Chicago exec and vice-chairman of NADJ, left for the West Coast this week-end to do a two-week NADJ promotion campaign among jocks there. Thus far, Gray said, no word has been received from Bill Leyden, West Coast NADJ rep. Douglas said that a Wisconsin Fox River Valley local is being set up jointly by Sherwood Lorenz, WOSH, Oshkosh, and Don Arthur, WTAQ, Green Bay, while a Texas chapter is being formed also.

### **Doors of WLS Swing Out for Personnel**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13. — Following the recent shake-up of exec per-sonnel at WLS, *Prairie Farmer* sta-tion here (*The Billboard*, August 30), this week some of the best known people at the station either resigned people at the station either resigned or were fired. Confirming rumors, Glenn Snyder, general manager of the station, told *The Billboard* that Julian Bentley, station's veteran news chief, was resigning, as were Herb How-ard, chief producer, and George Menard, veteran announcer.

Snyder denied rumors that Al Boyd, ould resign around the first of the ear and that Bill O'Connor, well-nown singer at the station, had been red. He confirmed the fact, how-rer, that Russ Salter, another an-buncer, had been given his notice. Howard left this week to become rogram director of WNAX, Yank-n, S. D. Menard will do free-lance ork in Chicago and will continue to e heard on some WLS shows, while entley's future plans are not being provide a successor to these local nounced. Successors to those leav-g the station have not been named.

### a Guardia Program arries on With Subs NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Altho iorello La Guardia has been ill for

number of weeks, his co-op pro-am over Mutual Broadcasting Sys-Am over Mutual Broadcasting Sys-em (MBS) has proceeded as usual ith Congressional guests substitut-ig, and nearly 100 outlets now are arrying the program. Additional iterest has been lent the show by he new list of guests lined up by the semanor and more stations on an x-mayor, and more stations are re-outed planning to carry the seg fter it moves into its new time pe-od. Show, which now airs at 7:45 m. Saturdays, will move to 6:30 m. on September 28.

.m. on September 28. Subs for La G, who will take the beral line in discoursing on the fu-ure of America, include Leon Hend-rson, Jack Kroll, Bartley Crum, dolph A. Berle, Harold Ickes, Wil-am Green, Philip Murray, Russell bavenport, Henry A. Wallace and leanor Roosevelt.



### Japs Go for U.S. **Type Radio Fare**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—The Japanese are finding types of programs preare finding types of programs pre-ferred by some Americans top radio listening. Albert Crews, former NBC central division producer who is now chief of radio for General Mac-Arthur's Tokyo headquarters, said here this week. Crews is presently spending a vacation here after about a year of supervising radio program-ing for MacArthur in Japan.

Crews said that Fount of Know-ledge, a Japanese version of Informa-tion Please, is the current favorite and pulls over 10,000 letters weekly. A discussion program, National Radio Forum, is in second place. Third place in the favorite race is a man on the street program on

which high Japanese officials are in-terviewed by ordinary citizens on the Ginza, Tokyo's main street. This show originally was predicted to

show originally was predicted to failure by Japanese radiomen who claimed that no official would ap-pear on it for fear of losing face. Technically, Crews concluded, Japanese radio is 10 years behind the rest of the world. War damage, worn equipment and lack of know-how are responsible for this condi-tion he said tion, he said.

### Preston Exits CBS To Build Wax Segs

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.-In a move chicago, Sept. 13.—In a move which has been expected for many months, Walter Preston, program di-rector for CBS-WBBM here, and the network parted company this week. Preston, who has been with WBBM since 1929 will be succeeded by Vel since 1929, will be succeeded by Val Sherman, his former assistant.

Preston announced that he was leaving to devote his time to production of transcribed shows here and in New York. The station merely an-nounced that Preston was leaving and Sherman was taking over. Behind these two announcements, how-ever, are reports that there has been ill feeling between Preston and top execs at the station for a long time.

Sherman has been with WBBM since 1931. During that time, in addition to his post as assistant pro-gram director, he has had positions as announcer, chief announcer and director of operation.

WFIL TV DEB (Continued from page 27) Creative Advertising Association: Marcus Printing Company buying spots thru Ralph Hart Agency; U. S. Rubber Company, which placed a film show direct; Bartels' Clothing House, thru Shapiro Advertising Agency, set to sponsor the Chester (Pa.) Horse Show; Dewees, ladies' specialty shop; Mort Farr, radio and record dealer, and Delmont Motors contracting direct for program fea-tures, and the Drake Hotel here and the Brighton Hotel in Atlantic City buying a sports show via Adrian Bauer Agency.

Hal" (Byers Flour Mills) came to the rescue. Uncle Hal raised \$3,000 in cash, truck loads of gifts, stimulated the board of trade to organize a building fund, and the Hanna Kinsmen Club organized a building bee. The idea spread to the point where the program is now a public service institution fulfilling all sorts of requests for aid. There's no doubt of its promotional value.
Also in the works for early settlement is a deal by which service bands and other musical groups will record without AFM interference, and by which the recording companies will issue the records on a non-profit basis. The service groups previously had

### **Promosh Lax** In Canadian **Radio Outlets**

(Continued from page 6) Single Campaign class; CKEY, Toron-to, network affiliate-regional channel public service division, and CJCA, Edmonton, Alta, network affiliate-local channel Public Service division.

#### **Big-League** Promotion

Big-League Promotion CKWX's entry in the Overall Class indicated a strictly big-league pro-motion effort. Both in promoting its power increase and its programing, the station made good use of pro-motional devices including some in the station devices including some in the station good use of a Goodyear blimp to fly over the city with neon signs. Other hypo aids were the week-long open house held at the station during Vancouver's Diamond Jubinee Celebration and numerous more standard devices. CBFC's win was based on the story of the station's exploitation prior to and following its debut in November, 1946. Campaign showed consider-able ingenuity in its use of mailing pieces.

pieces.

One of the freshest of the Canadian entries was CKCK's exhibit, winner in the Single Campaign network af-filiate-local channel class. The spein the Single Campaign network af-filiate-local channel class. The spe-cific stunt was to "bring Santa Claus to Regina"—the first time Father Noel had been brought there "in person." Proceeds of the campaign went to the *Leader Post's* Christmas Cheer fund. Every facet was played and Regina enterprises have already pledged themselves for the future. Constant station and newspaper ballyhoo, window displays, theater announcements attended the event, and "shortwave interviews" with Santa at the North Pole helped built the make-believe. Naturally, much attention was paid to exploiting the event among children —a smart way of reaching homes— and prizes were awarded for best letters to Santa. Bally included special kid shows, appearances at local hospitals by Santa, distribution of station's gift to patients, and other showmanly devices. **Public Service** 

#### **Public Service**

showmanly devices. Public Service CKEY's win in the network af-filiate-regional channel division Pub-lic Service class was based upon the station's effort in furthering worthy causes and organizations. This was construed as promotion in the sense that it succeeded in focusing at-tention of listeners in general-and various listening groups in particular --upon the station. These activities included such items as Crime Pre-vention Week, an accident preven-tion campaign, housing and job aid for veterans, a tie-up with Education Week, a Children's Book Week and similar activities. CJAC, winner in the network af-filiate-local channel Public Service category, furnished an interesting entry detailing the development of a public service program by "self propulsion." It started when a fire wrecked a home in Hanna, Alta, 170 miles away. The station, thru "Uncle Hal" (Byers Flour Mills) came to the rescue. Uncle Hal raised \$3,000 in cash, truck loads of gifts, stimulated the board of trade to organize **a** building fund, and the Hanna Kins-men Club organized a building bee. The idea spread to the point where the program is now a public service institution fulfilling all sorts of re-quests for aid. There's no doubt of its promotional value.

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### Sammy Kaye Seen Joining **GAC** Roster

#### **Ork Ends MCA Association**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. — It appeared certain at press time that Sammy Kaye will switch his agency affiliation to General Artists Corpora-tion (GAC) next week following the conclusion of his Music Corporation of America (MCA) pact on Monday (15). Kaye has been with MCA for almost a decade.

His GAC pact will cover all book-His GAC pact will cover all book-ings for his ork, including fadio and movies. The ork currently is booked thru the first of the year and GAC will book Kaye thereafter. Other details of the Kaye deal with GAC were unavailable at press time, but it is believed to be a term pact.

#### Hypo for GAC Roster

Hypo for GAC Roster Addition of Kaye to the GAC roster should substantially hypo the agency's dwindling lists. In the past few months GAC lost Woody Herman, Jimmy Dorsey and Spike Jones, thereby taking a substantial cut from the agency's commissions. Kaye's earnings should restore a good por-tion of that loss. It is also likely that the Kaye name will serve as a bool-ing wedge for the agency into a number of location spots which they weren't able to dent in the past.

### **Music Biz Plans Benefit Show for** Vets in Hospitals

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Music in-dustry toppers are rallying behind a Music for Hospitalized Veterans ben-efit to be held October 27 in Madison Square Garden. Similar in objective to the recent Hollywood Bowl Music for Wounded show, the New York version promises to be as big an extravaganza, replete with top disk, theater, pic and night club entertainers.

Sparkplugging the music biz end of the benefit is a nuclear committee topped by Eli Oberstein, of Victor; Manie Sacks, of Columbia; Constance Hope, of Victor; publicist George Evans; Lee Savin, of Majestic; Mike Conner, of Decca, and Walter Rivers, of Capitol. This group, which has the promised co-operation of Local 802, American Federation of Musicians, thru its prexy, Dick McCann, will be developed into a larger, more repre-sentative committee, with music biz leaders including agency brass such Sparkplugging the music biz end leaders including agency brass such as Larry Barnett, Bill Morris Jr. and

### **Armed Forces Stores Likely** To Sell Million Disks a Month, **Opening Up Vast New Field**

### **Competition May Force Retail Prices Down**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—A new retail record market, with poten-tial sales volume of 1,000,000 disks a month and up, has been opened up by the various branches of the armed forces in the past few weeks. The bonanza, which is wide op n to the smaller indie labels as well as the majors, now reaches several million persons both here and abroa.; thru the army post exchange (PX), the navy stores, coast guard and marine PX's and the Veterans' Administra-tion canteens. Numbering more than 800 actual sales outlets, these stores service members of the armed a month and up, has been opened up by the various branches of the armed forces in the past few weeks. The bonanza, which is wide op n to the smaller indie labels as well as the majors, now reaches several million persons both here and abroat, thru the army post exchange (PX), the navy stores, coast guard and marine PX's and the Veterans' Administra-tion canteens. Numbering more than 800 actual sales outlets, these stores service members of the armed forces, their families, and the hun-dreds of thousands of civilian em-ployees both here and overseas who have PX privileges. In the past few weeks, it has been

have PX privileges. In the past few weeks, it has been learned, the army PX's have started to a d record sections, with PX officers either buying directly from local distributors, or placing their orders thru a central buying office located in New York and identified in army lingo as the army procure-ment office. This office fills requests only from PX officers, and as a result, the bulk of its purchases are made for the 22 central PX's and

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of the armed forces and authorized civilians at a lower price than regu-lar retail stores offer, it has been common for the services to receive complaints from all types of mer-chants in zone of interior locations located near service installations. Similar complaints are expected from record dealers who may feel the bite of the lowered prices.

Should complaints materialize from either the disk manufacturer or the dealer, the services have a four-pronged answer:

1. There will be the regular manufacturer's profit. At the same time dealers will gain additional sales because the exchange can't carry as large a line, due to lack of personnel and space, as a regular record store-just enough to get the soldier or sailor interested in disks and act as a stimulant for the dealers.

2. The exchanges will act as adver-tisements as well as actual outlets for the disks, familiarizing the soldier and the civilians with record labels, and educating them to post-army and post-government-amploy meaned num post-government-employ record purchasing. 3. Due to the limited mark-up on

commodities sold thru the exchanges, the customer can purchase more expensive goods, thereby becoming ac-quainted with better grade materials. 4. Products are available only to members of the armed forces and

members of the armed forces and authorized government employees. Opera...g as a multi-million dollar a year business, the exchanges have for some time sold phonographs to the peacetime.army. The addition of record counters was a natural follow-up

Situation in other branches of the

service is as follows: There are now approximately 170 navy stores in operation. Store offi-cers, as in the case of army PX officers, are authorized to purchase directly or thru a central buying office office.

office. The marines operate 45 PX's, with no central purchasing headquarters involved. These PX's handle record players, and five or six have recently added record stock. The coast guard operates approxi-mately 25 stores, with the operation designed along the lines of the navy outlets. Several stores have disk sections now, the balance will add them gradually. There are more than 100 canteens

them gradually. There are more than 100 canteens operated by the Veterans' Adminis-tration. These canteens have not as yet included disks in their inven-tories, but officials indicated that permission will be forthcoming in the near future.

### **Moss Joins Alexander Retains** Own **Biz But May** Merge Later

### **Trend to Indie Combines**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Marking the initial step in an expansion move, Willard Alexander this week con-cluded a deal with booker Harry Moss for the latter to join the Alexander management office as a veepee, be-ginning Monday (15). Moss, who op-erates his own independent agency, will not close down his biz nor bring in any of his artists when he moves to Alexander, but it is believed that eventually the two will merge their stables. Meanwhile the Moss agency will be run by Jack Kerney. NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- Marking

Moss, who is one of the more ca-pable ork salesmen around the biz, will aid Alexander in setting up tours for Vaughn Monroe in addition to serving as a firm exec. Formerly Alexander had Monroe's one-nighters booked thru the major agencies.

#### Alexander to Coast

Alexander will leave for the Coast early next week to look for new tal-ent for his new set-up. It is said he is close to signing several new proper-ties, but he wouldn't disclose further information regarding these artists. Alexander-Moss tie-in marks an-

### Dreyer, Bullet In Partnership

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Drever Music pubbery and Bullet Records have worked out a partnership deal whereby the former will publish all original material recorded on the Bullet label, controlled by Jim Bullet. Deal was set this week between Dave Dreyer, who recently broke away from the Irving Berlin firm to go into pub biz with orkster Frankie Carle, and Bullet himself. The latter's disk hit, *Near You*, has raised interest in other Bullet properties and may have led to Near You, has raised interest in other Bullet properties and may have led to the Dreyer pact. Near You doesn't go with the bargain, since the tune was sold to Decca Records, which in turn put it into Supreme Music on a 50-50 pub deal with Bregman, Vocco & Conn.

Bullet, however, has a bale of other recorded originals on which he has secured assignment of copyrights and which Dreycr may find worthy of exploitation.

other in the recent mushrooming of strong independent booking combines which have gone into biz in recent months. Only three weeks ago the Jack Archer-Milt Deutsch Continental Artists Agency was born, while the Jack Whittemore-Russ Facchine-Lyle Thayer Mus-Art Agency has been slowly building, having recently added Jinmy Dorsey to its growing roster of talents.

LONDON, Sept. 13.—rollowing one of the most successful debuts of an American act here, when the Ink Spots, opening at the Casino not only jammed the house, but caused a traffic snarl outside, representative names of the entertainment world here are preparing a memorandum names of the entertainment world here are preparing a memorandum to be submitted to the treasury and the musicians' union, urging that everything be done to encourage future visits of U. S. orks and acts to London. Showbiz reps feel that using Yank acts is the only way to attract the public to theaters

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### **Ellington ET Jock** Series for WMCA?

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. — Reports late this week indicated that Station WMCA had signed orkster Duke Ellington for a one-hour daily noon-day transcribed disk jockey show. Similar deal for Harry James on the station, which already carries the Tommy Dorsey spinner show, also is said to be on the verge of being signed. Details of the Ellington deal were unavailable at press time. were unavailable at press time.

Ink Spots Take London by Ears LONDON, Sept. 13 .- Following one

**ASCAP Board** 

To Consider

Exhibs' Plea

### Now Exhibs Hit Copyright Act **Exhib Appeal to Congress On ASCAP Fee Jump May** Spur Copyright Law Study Indirect Effect on Entire Showbiz Seen

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—A drive is under way to change the copy-right law to cut the power of American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), with the local branch of Motion Picture Theater Owners' Association (MPTOA) sparking the move. Washington MPTOA voted this week to carry to Congress the fight against ASCAP's 300 per cent rate hike. Plea of MPTOA is almost certain to wind up in the middle of a general move in Congress next session for a complete overhaul of the basic Copyright Act, virtually unchanged since 1909. Both House and Senate judiciary committees are ex-pected to carry on further studies of copyrights early next session. Bro ASCAP Will Accounted

Pro-ASCAP Bill Agendaed

The House group already has on its agenda an ASCAP-sponsored bill to give the organization the power to license records played in juke boxes. The wide attention given by the music industry to last session's copyright hearings has convinced many members of the House committee that a general study of the entire music copyright situation is advisable. It is likely that the matter of theater, novel and radio copyright procedure will be included in the study.

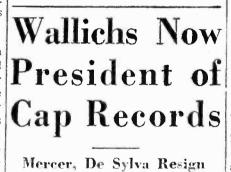
Cartel Suit "Compromise?"

Meanwhile ASCAP's trouble with the Department of Justice over the Society's alleged restrictive music contracts with foreign composers is moving quietly toward a new climax. Justice officials told The Billboard this week that they expect ASCAP to file an answer to the government charges in the next few weeks. In the meantime Justice and ASCAP representatives are trying to work out a compromise, it has been learned.

### **Remick** Revives War Shelved Tune By Dubin - Wayne

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.--Al Dubin and Mabel Wayne have gotten one of those delayed-action Tin Pan Alley of those delayed-action Tin Pan Alley breaks. Six years ago, their tune It Happened in Hawaii was set for big plugging by Remick Music and sev-eral disks had been cut, including masters 'by such names as Glenn Miller (Bluebird), Jimmy Dorsey with Bob Eberle singing (Decca), Kay Kyser (Columbia) and Dick Jurgens and Buddy Clark (Okay). The tune was released around the first of December, 1941, but was uuickly shelyed when Pearl Harbor quickly shelved when Pearl Harbor occurred.

Now the pubbery has received the canceled ditty. Guy Lombardo will intro it on his airshow Monday nig.t intro it on his airshow Monday nig'.t (15) and it will be No. 1 plug in the Remick catalog for the next four or five months. Hal McIntyre, who played sax for Miller when the tune was cut six years ago, will record it for MGM. Hawaii was shelved so long that when Remick tried to find a copy of the old disks they were forced to borrow WNEW's set because none was available for sale.



HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 13.—Glenn E. Wallichs became prexy of Capitol Records following the resignations of diskery's former prexy. Johnny Mer-cer, and chairman of the board, Buddy De Sylva. As exclusively pre-dicted by *The Billboard* (see August 30 and September 6 issues), the re-shuffle in Cap's exec bracket left Wallichs, the Coast major's former exec v.-p., head of the firm, holding the post of president and acting as chairman of the board. Resignations were submitted at a special meeting of Cap's board of directors who ac-cepted the bow-outs and elected Wallichs to his new post. Both Mer-cer and De Sylva remain as mem-bers of the board. It was explained that Mercer's

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### Have You Been Thru the Mills?

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. — Irving Mills, co-mentor with brother Jack in the Mills Music holdings, and an agent in this country for Electrical Music Industries (EMI), of England (he cuts or buys jazz masters here and ships them abroad), came in from the Coast this week and at a lunch-time session recalled one of the funny bits about the old-time record biz. Irving, who years ago was record-

Irving, who years ago was record-ing chief for the old American Re-cording Company, tells the story of the time he conducted a disk date in the time he conducted a disk date in New Orleans with Louis Prima, Dave Rose and others in a small combo. "At the time we made up labels for the records," says Mills, "and gave billing to Louis Prima and his orchestra altho Louis was little known at the time. Then," he said. "Dave Rose hit with a radio job, looked like he was going somewhere, so we rushed to change the labels and called it Dave Rose and his orchestra. No

rushed to change the labels and called it Dave Rose and his orchestra. No sooner did we get the new labels on and ship records, than Louis Prima came into the Hickory House in New York and created quite a stir. So there we were; back went the old labels and now it was Louis Prima and his orchestra again orchestra again. "The song—Peckin', remember?"

**Cleffers Seek** Pact in October

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.--Negotiations for a new contract between Music Publishers' Protective Associa-tion (MPPA) and Songwriters' Pro-tective Association (SPA), which have been dragging on since the first have been dragging on since the first of this year, are expected to come to a head early in October, when meet-ings of the two groups will com-mence again. A three-day session October 7-9 is skedded to discuss new proposed royalty rates which SPA is asking in form of a sliding scale. Most of the important points of the pact, excepting the scale, have been smoothed over in previous con-ferences. ferences.

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### The Band Box

JAN AUGUST goes from the Hotel Astor to the Chase Hotel, St.

JAN AUGUST goes from the Hotel Astor to the Chase Hotel, St. Louis, starting September 30. . . . JACK FINA closes at the Wal-dorf-Astoria October 1 and then will probably one-night his way across the country, opening January 6 at the Clarendon Hotel, Berkeley, Calif. RAY HEATHERTON ork moves into the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, September 19. then goes to San Francisco around January 1....BILL McCUNE continues at the Pelham Heath Inn indefinitely. ....KING GUION follows Al Trace into the Rustic Cabin....HAL McINTYRE will one-night for two weeks, then return to the Post Lodge October 1 for three months. HAL PRUDEN band into the Paris Inn, San Diego, Calif., Sep-tember 11 with a new vocalist, Joe Denton. . . . SAM DONAHUE opened September 15 at Ankara Club, Pittsburgh, for two weeks. ....DICK JURGENS opened at the Claremont Hotel, Berkeley, Calif., September 14 for 14 weeks.

Meeting Set for Sept. 25 NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Board of directors of American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) will take up on September (ASCAP) will take up on September 25 a proposal by representatives of six motion picture theater associa-tions that license rates not be in-creased at the present time and the status quo maintained for at least six months from October 1. Only some weeks back ASCAP had an-nounced a new theater-licensing sys-tem effective in October increasing tem, effective in October, increasing receipts from music-using exhibs from 200 to 300 per cent.

Theater reps' proposal came at a meeting yesterday, but Society spokesmen tabled any action until the board meets on the 25th.

#### **Reps** at Meeting

For ASCAP at the meeting were Gene Buck and Donald Gray, board members; Louis Frohlich, of Schwarz & Frohlich, general counsel for ASCAP; Herman Greenberg and Richard F. Murray, ASCAP's admini-strative tonnous; Howman Finkelated Richard F. Murray, ASCAP's admini-strative toppers; Herman Finkelstein, ASCAP attorney; I. T. Cohen, East-ern division manager; Jules Collins, radio division manager, and George Hoffman, comptroller.

Hoffman, comptroller. Theater group delegates were S. H. Fabian, Robert W. Coyne and Leon-ard Golenson, of American Theaters Association (ATA); Herman Levy, general counsel for Motion Picture Theater Owners of America (MPTOA); Fred Schwarz, president of Metropolitan Theater Owners' Association (MTOA); Joseph Avick, Allied Theaters of Michigan, and David Newman, of Co-Operative Theaters of Michigan. Theaters of Michigan.

### Majestic Pays Starr 16G; Will **Nix MPHC Plugs**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Majestic Records this week dispatched a check in the amount of about \$16,000 to Herman Starr's Music Publishers' Holding Corporation (Warner Bros.' group) and defiantly promised that the diskery would henceforth record the diskery would henceforth record no plug tunes whatsoever for MPHC

no plug tunes whatsoever for MPHC. Majestic threat followed a quarrel with Starr (*The Billboard*, August 30) in which the latter earlier de-manded that the diskery record cer-tain MPHC tunes with certain artists or else pay full royalties due thru August 15. Payment to Starr, while other pubs have received only a per-centage of royalties due in accordance with a previous agreement between the bulk of the pubs and Majestic, represented Majestic's decision to "fight back, rather than give in."

Diskery spokesman stated they "could get along without MPHC plug tunes" and pointed out that if they desired to record MPHC standards they would do these on their 75-cent label anyway, pay the full statutory rate and avoid any counter-action by Starr.

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#### with The Miller Orchestra

#### I Have But One Heart ('O Marenariello)

This overnight hit shows the Miller style at its best . . . rich brasses and contrasting reeds blending in a lovely melody. Swell vocal by Garry Stevens and The Moonlight Serenaders.

#### **Too Late**

New novelty hot-tune packed with entertainment. Vocal refrain by Tex Beneke and Band. RCA Victor 20-2424



#### The Stars Will Remember

Smash hit tune from England. With Vaughn's rich, mellow delivery plus the Moonmaids and danceable background.

#### **Ballerina**

Vaughn sings this follow-up for "Ivy" in much the same manner . . . an original with tricky tempo that's likely to soar.

RCA Victor 20-2433



and The Panhandle Punchers

His deep and rugged baritone in top form. Flip features some lilting background vocalizing, "Gay Nineties" style.

Pal in Palo Alto

AND

Don't Make Me Sorry RCA Victor 20-2428



and his Rhythm

Waller's famed protegé cuts some keyboard capers that remind you of "Fats" himself . . . terrific runs, steady rocking rhythm, salty, lyrics, Flip makes no sense . . . but what a display!

Goodbye, Good Luck, Get Lost

AND Sha-Wa-We (Weave to Me Some Jive)

RCA Victor 20-2431

IRVING FAZOLA and his Dixieland Band: Irving Fazola, clarinet; Steve Giarratano, tenor sax; Whimpy Miller, trumpet; Digger Laine, trombone; Pete Laudeman, piano; Bunny Franks, bass; Abby Brunies; drums. ("New Orleans Jazz" Album, HJ-12)

Original Dixieland One Step AND Bluin' the Blues RCA Victor 40-0140

Satanic Blues AND Ostrich Walk RCA Victor 40-0141 Sensation AND Mournin' Blues RCA Victor 40-0142

RCA Victor 40-0142 Farewell Blues AND Fidgety Fee! RCA Victor 40-0143



with Russ Case and his Orchestra
If All Came True

Warm and tender and full of the charm that's winning rave notices and rave buying for her first waxingst

One Little Tear is an Ocean

A coy little ballad that's apt to be a hit, the way Beryl does it. She's irresistible l RCA Victor 20-2426

## BILL JOHNSON ?

and his Musical Notes, Vocals: Gus Gordon and Quartet A number one plug song that should click like their "Don"t You Think I Oughta Know." Flip is the catchycorny type, a wow juke success from Philadelphia.

For Once in Your Life AND My Little Red Head RCA Victor 20-2427



and The Big Hole Bronco Busters Don't Wait

Till Judgment Day (To Cast Your Sins Away)

A down-to-earth sermon in song with strong country appeal.

Sharing Your Love with Somebody New

Slim's famous sagebrush twang and some interesting guitar passages with a hoe-down fiddle solo. RCA Victor 20-2430

#### **RE-ISSUED BY REQUEST**

FRANK STAMPS

Corrine Blues AND New Bad Luck Blues

RCA Victor 20-2432

and his Quartet. Male voices with Piana Working for the Master AND

Give the World a Smile RCA Victor 20-2429

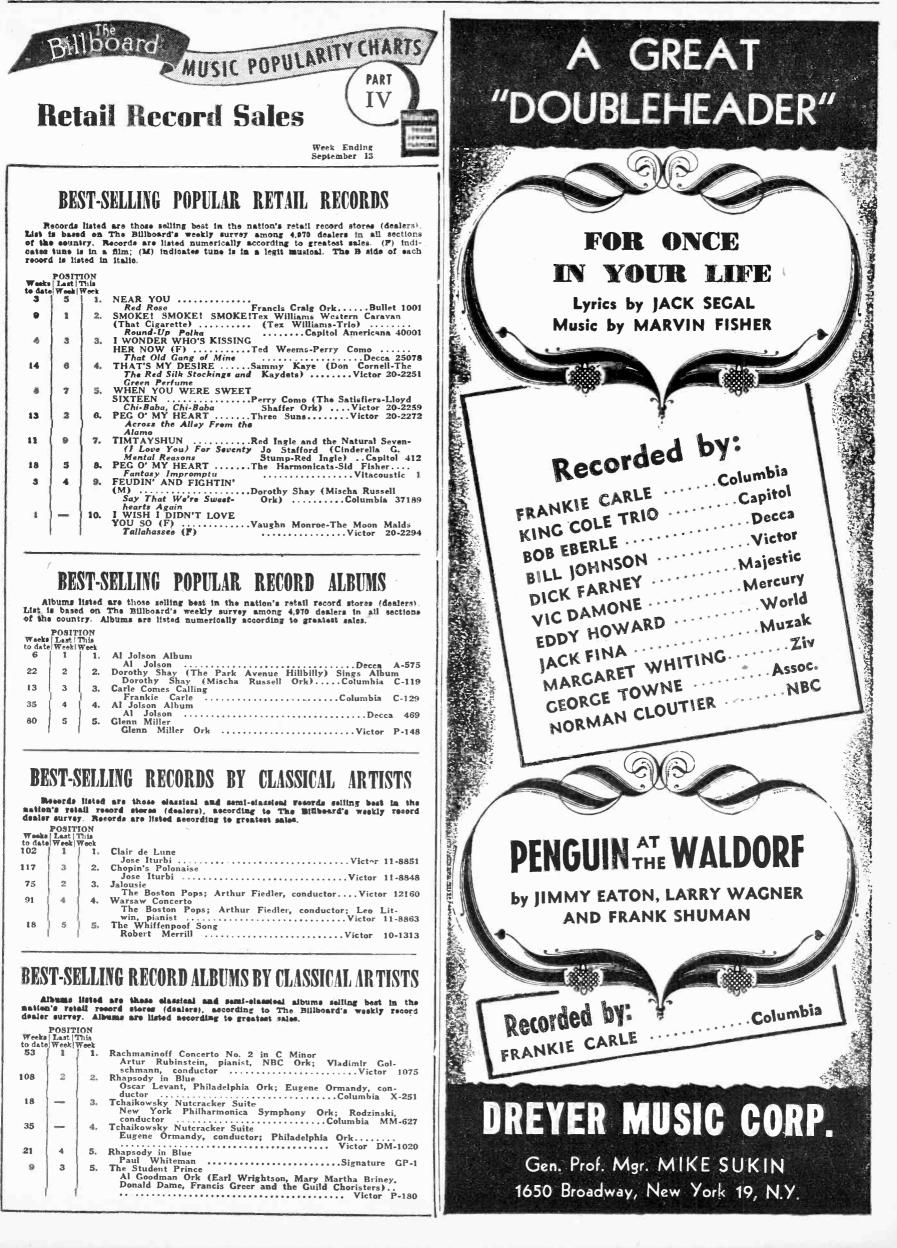


TAMPA RED Blues singer with Guitar



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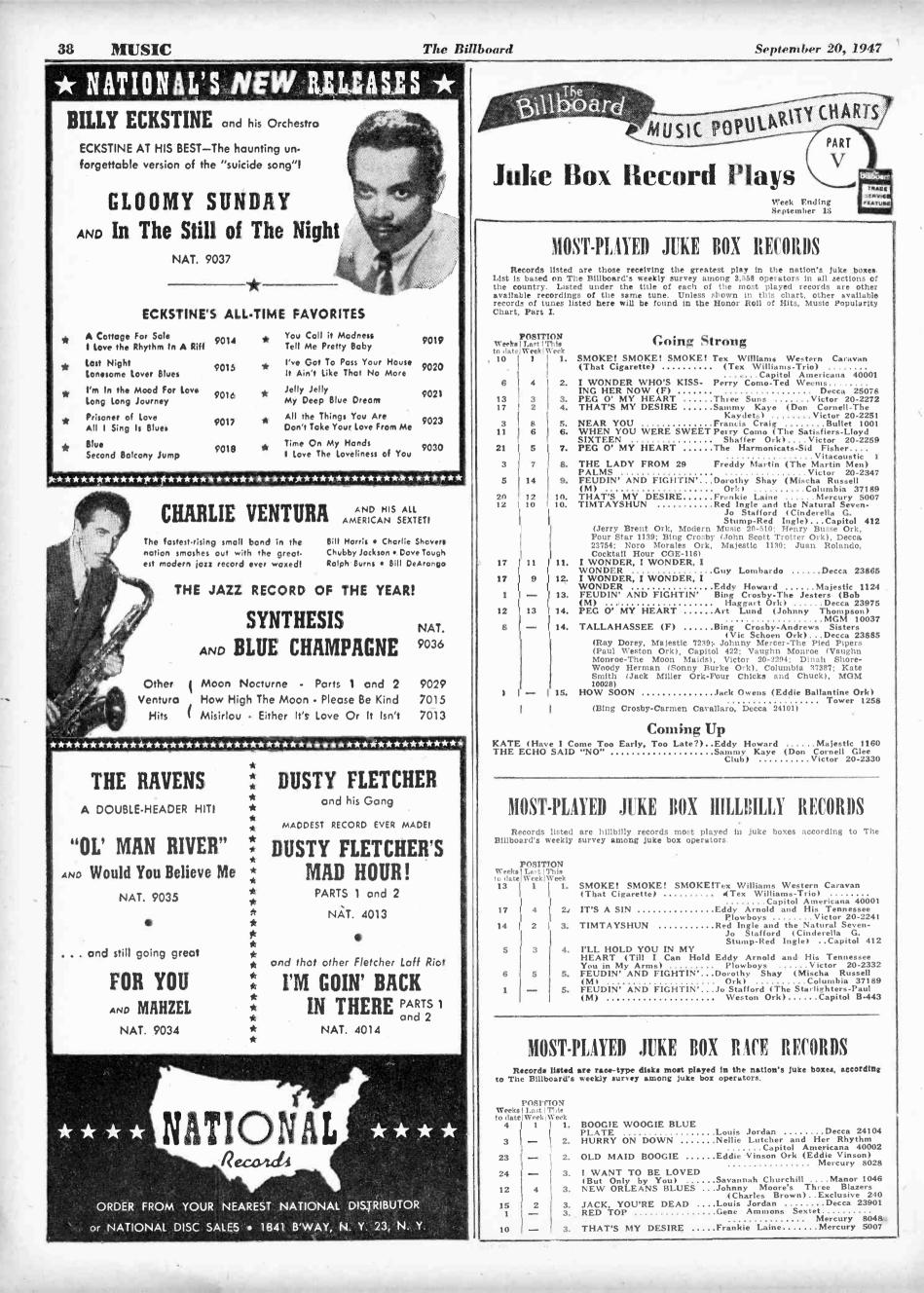
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TO DISC JOCKEYS EVERYWHERE: On my Chesterfield Supper Club program Thursday, September 18, 1947\*, through the gracious cooperation of Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company, I will be given the opportunity to thank all of you for your splendid support Whatever success I now enjoy could not have been possible without your help. Back in 1943 your playing of my record "Long Ago and Far Away" of my Capitol Records. gained for me my first trade and public recognition. Then you continued to favor "Candy" (with Johnny Mercer and the Pied Pipers), "Symphony" and "You Keep Coming Back Like a Song," and this year you followed through with "A Sunday Kind of Love," "Tim-Tayshun" (thanks to Red Ingle and his Natural Seven), and "Feudin' and Fightin'." thanks .... thanks .... To Aloff Jo Stafford

\*From Hollywood over the entire NBC Network



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## **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.

DON'T YOU LOVE ME ANYMORE?....Buddy Clark, With Mitchell Ayres and 

HOW SOON? ...... Jack Owens, With Eddie Ballantine's

Another small label waxing that shows sighs of causing some stir. Tower 1258 Another small label waxing that shows sighs of causing some stir. Tune, which has been waxed by Bing Crosby on Decca, was written and is performed on this disk in better than adequate fashion by tunesmith Jack Owens. The disking is already showing up strong in "The Billboard's" juke play charts and may yet move alongside "Near You" as a small disker sleeper. If this means anything, it might be said that both tunes are pubbed by the Decca and Bregman, Vocco, Conn firm, Supreme Music. And like Bullet, the Tower waxery is a Midwest outfit with head-quarters in Chicago. quarters in Chicago.

## 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.

#### ELLIOT LAWRENCE (Columbia 37838) Near You-FT; VC. How Lucky You Are-W; VC.

How Lucky You Are—W; VC. The sentimental rhythm ballad already riding high via an indie label disking, "Near You" gets an added lift in the bouncey frame fashioned by the Elliot Lawrence band. The band boys laying down a rich harmony pattern for the maestro's tuneful keyboard knuckling, Rosalind Patton follows with a pert chant until the rhythm plano moves up front again to pace the ensemble for a sock session. All in good rhythmic and me-lodic order. For the flip, Lawrence proves his band can play a waltz as well as a ballad, and that they do for the "Lucky" lullaby for which Jack Hunter gives voice to the tuneful melody, all adding up to hoof appeal in three-quarter time. "Near You" the nickel grabber. "Near You" the nickel grabber.

#### TEX BENEKE (Victor 20-2424)

## I Have But One Heart—FT; VC. Too Late—FT; VC.

Too Late-FT; VC. Developing a ballad and rhythm theme in top drawer fashion, Tex Beneke's band makes it dandy disking 'for this doublet. For the Italian folk melody gaining popu-larity as "I Have But One Heart," Gary Stevens barys with rich romantic feeling against a bank of brass and woodwind harmonies, with the maestro's soft and thoughtful tenor sax phrases bridging his song. For the flip, Beneke goes on a solid rhythmic kick for the blues-styled rhythm ditty, "Too Late." Searing trumpets em-broider the maestro's low-down chanting, Beneke also adding a rider on his tenor horn with the band in a solid riff forma-tion thruout.

Both sides of the biscuit will bring in

BOB CROSBY (Decca 25114) FRANKIE CARLE (Columbia 37819)

### -And Mimi-FT; VC. For Once in Your Life-FT; VC.

For Once in Your Life—FT; VC. Two lush ballad metodies with the Frankle Carle piano setting the metodic keynote and Gregg Lawrence adding the romantic appeal of the lyrics make for smooth spinning on both sides of the platter. Most attractive is the Conti-nentalish "—And Mimi," lyrical lament for the Parisian cafe chantense, with Carle and his chanter giving as much expression to "Por Once in Your Life." And for both, the band plays full but subdued for both Carle and Lawrence. —And Mimi, a safe bet to strike popular -And Mimi, a safe bet to strike popular fancy for phono play.

#### VAUGHN MONROE (Victor 20-2433) The Stars Will Remember—FT; VC. Ballerina—FT; VC.

Ballerina—FT; VC. With two ballads that are richly melodicus, and the band laying down a colorful harmony background, Vaughn Monroe gives much meaning to both sides. Banked by the fiddles in his song, and with added vocal color in the fem har-monies of the Moon Maids, Monroe sings it with full romantic expression for a smooth and catchy "Stars Will Remem-ber" which was brought here from across

the pond. For the flip, the maestro sings it alone and in full voice to make it ar-resting for the haunting "Ballerina" bal-lad, for which the band adds a beguiling beguine beat that adds enchantment to the maestro's chant.

Both ballads loom as big favorites for phono plays.

#### COOTIE WILLIAMS (Majestic 1165) Och, La-La-FT; VC. If It's True-FT; VC.

If It's True—FT; VC. The jive chanting of Bob Merrell, with the enthusiasm and rhythmic raspiness of a Louie Jordan, and with the Cootie Williams tootlers whipping out a lively jump beat, it's a solid rhythm spin for the Haremese riff novelty in "Och La-La." And adding to the instrumental appeal is the riding of the tenor sax and a dash of the maestro's growl trumpet horn. On the mated side, "If It's True," Williams turns it over to Billy Mathews for an ex-position of the torch lyrics. And while the lad has nice enough hary range, his piping is without warmth or pash to make the song or the spinning count. Jump fans will fancy Och La-La for their

Jump fans will fancy Ooh La-La for their coins.

#### GUY LOMBARDO (Decca 24115) Don't Tell Me-FT; VC. The Echo Said "No"-FT; VC.

The Echo Said "No"-FT; VC. The Lombardo music, entirely smooth and sweet, and with a moderate rhythmic beat that makes it toe-tingling, makes it a thoroly danceable disk for both of these familiar ballads. Don Rodney makes it a sweet sing for "Don't Teil Me," joined by the Lombardo Trio for the rollicking "Echo" rhythm ballad. For the Lombarde dance fans.

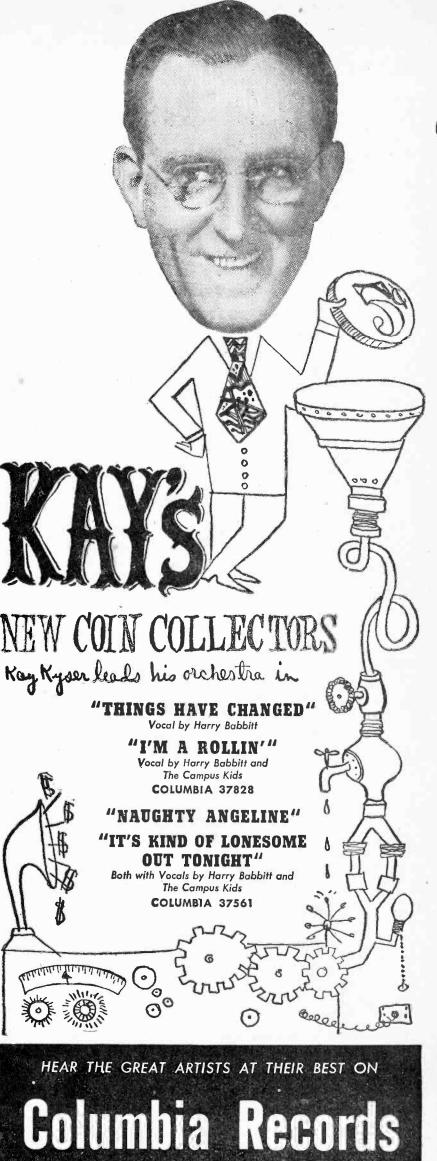
Yancey Special—FT. Boogie Woogie Maxixe—FT.

Boogie Woogie Maxixe--FT. A boogie woogie classic couplet by the Bob Crosby Dixielanders, its reissue makes it a choice cutting for collectors caught short on these sides. Bob Zurke paces the band builds it up to a feverish pitch for Meade Lux Lewis' "Yancey Special," while Joe Sullivan hits the 88's solidly as the band builds it up to a feverish pitch for Gil Rodin's "Boogie Woogle Maxize." Boogie Woogle Maxize chill Boogie Woogie Maxixe still striking enough to catch the coins of the eight-

beat fans. (Continued on page 40)

## Album Reviews

In a continuing effort to review as much of the output of all record man-ufacturers as manpower and paper limitations permit, The Billboard this week reviews recently released albums in a special ALBUM REVIEW section on page 48. These album reviews of course, are in addition to the reviews on this and the facing page, and those in the Music Machines depart-ment this week.



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(Continued from page 39) BING CROSBY, ANDREWS SISTERS

#### (Decca 23999) FT: V

The Freedom Train-FT; V The Star Spangled Banner--FT: V.

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The Star Spangled Banner-FT; V. The newest of the train songs, but this one by Irving Berlin has special signi-ficance. And while the lyrics capture the spirit of the "Freedom Train," already started on its tour around the country, the music is in the popular rhythmic idiom. The wordage may be flag-waving, but the music is entirely catchy and full of bounce. Particularly as Bing Crosby and the An-drews Sisters cut it up while Vic Schoen's music provides the stirring rhythmic sup-port. There's plenty of zing to the song itself, and with the voices adding the zip, it all adds up to a real musical solute in rhythm to the "Freedom Train." For the flip, Crosby carries on alone in the same patriotic spirit. Instead of singing the national anthem, he recites a meaningful poem while Victor Young provides the in-cidental background music that weaves around the anthem theme. It all makes for an impressive and dramatic spin. Phono ops will ride "The Freedom Train." Phono Train."

TONY MARTIN (Victor 20-2425) The Stanley Steamer-FT; V. Julie-FT: V.

Julie-FT; V. The rich romantic song projection of Tony Martin, flushed by a silky background in Earle Hagen's music with a mixed choir adding vocal floss, rings true for "Julie," a lovely girlle serenade. Pipes it pashly, bringing out the full melodic flavor of the ballad. For the flip, with Victor Young providing the orchestra and chorus, Mar-tin impresses just as much as he sings it in spirited style for the rollicking and tuneful "Stanley Steamer" rhythm ditty from the "Summer Hollday" movie. Both songs rich in phono possibilities.

FRANK SINATRA (Columbia 37809) The Stars Will Remember—FT; V. Christmas Dreaming—FT; V.

Christmas Dreaming—FT; V. In a dreamy lyrical fashion, Frank Sinatra gives full romantic sway to both of these slow ballads, sniging them in strict tempo with Axel Stordahl's music provid-ing a subdued and blending background. Most attractive is the seasonal "Christmas Dreaming," but glving the same measure of attention and expression to the mood melody on the mated side, "The Stars Will Remember." With the holiday season around the corner, "Christmas Dreaming" may well catch on big.

BING CROSBY (Decca 24114 and 24170)

BING CROSBY (Decca 24114 and 24170) After You've Gone—FT; V. Blue—FT; V. Xiss Your Hand, Madame—FT; V. Emperor Waltz—W; V. With Eddie Condon's music, sparked by an array of swing stars, Bing Crosby goes on a real rhythmic kick which kicks best when he gives the hot horns a chance. Set to a Dixieland beat, and letting the boys jam away in the background, Crosby arter You've Gone." Sings it at a mod-erate tempo, letting the band boys speed to go their jamnastics and for the rid-hog of Bud Freeman on tenor sax and Joe sullivan's ivory knuckling. For the flip, close to a sustained harmony background pattern, with the result that Crosby's of the mated side. For the other two sides, Crosby is all the romanticist in song, giving it tender treatment and entirely of "Kiss Your Hand, Madame." Which gets another fling in the forthcoming "Emperor Waltz" movie; piping it just as tenderly for the Johnny Burke love lyric size to the Johnan Strauss waltz which gives the movie its title song. For the screen songs, Victor Young's music creates usuda. "After You've Gone" spins brightest for the phone play with the movie brightest for

grounds. "After You've Gone" spins brightest for the phono play with the movie bringing attention to the screen songs at a later date.

#### ART WAYNE (Majestic 1168)

ART WAYNE (Majestic 1168) The Heartbeat Song-FT; V. One Little Tear Is an Ocean-FT; V. What may sound as if the record is cracked is the actual beating of the hu-man heart, according to the waxerie, as the stage is set for Artie Wayne's soft and romantic barrying for "The Heartbeat Song." More attractive than the ballad itself is the arrangement set forth by Paul Baron's music, with colorful harmonies by the lush strings and soft woodwinds. And for added effect, adds the vocal harmonies of a fem foursome coming in with the tick-tock beats from an echo chamber. For the flip, it's another slow and pleasant ballad in "One Little Tear is an Ocean," which Wayne sings in ap-pealing manner with the fem voices add-ing vocal floss to the spin. Novelty of the "Heartbeat" song may bring in some nickels.

DICK (TWO-TON) BAKER (Mercury 5066-67)

Near You—FT; VC. I'm a Lonely Little Petunia—FT; VC. Civilization—FT; VC. Dancers in Love—Instr.

Mercury puts a solid push behind its rising merry musicmaker with this quartet of sides. Like other previously issued copies, the Baker version of "Near You" sticks closely to the commercially corny Francis Craig Bullet version, replete with the Latin boogie opener. Flipover is a new novelty, which lends itself to Baker's comedy handling. Side should click with moppets as well as adults, for "Petunia" carries interest for all age groups. "Civil-ization," the up-and-coming parody on the "advantages" of modern society, is a ripe item for the Baker tonsils and gets a refined treatment from the rotund vocalist-pianist. "Dancers" is Baker's first instru-mental effort, highfighting the radio enter-tatner doing his variations on a minor chord theme by Ellington. "Near You" and "Civilization" pack plenty commercial lure, while flipovers hold only minor interest. Mercury puts a solid push behind its

#### KATE SMITH (MGM 30025)

God Bless America—FT; V. Bless This House—FT; V.

Bless This House—FT; V. Kate Smith repeats her stirring rendi-tion of "God Bless America" for this label, with the music and mixed chorus directed by Jack Miller adding to the spirit of the spin. For the flip, Miss Kate sings with hymnal feeling for a touching "Bless This House" song with a home-sweet-home theme. For the home buyers among Miss Smith's radio faus.

#### PATTI PAGE (Mercury 5063)

I've Got Some Forgetting To Do-FT; VC. Can't Help Lovin' That Man-FT; VC.

Can't Help Lovin' That Man-FT; VC. Pattl Page, newest recruit to the tear-in-her-voice brigade, shows her torchy pipes to advantage here, with a pair of couplings that will do plenty to push her to the fore. Gal has a poignant appeal that's just right for a soulful ditty. Both ditties are ideal wax media for the young chirp and with the pretty support of Eddle Getz's alto and his augmented combo, gal acquits herself nobly in her second effort. A double-header that will cause Patti Page's stock to rise.

CLYDE TRASK (Radio Artists 211) I Wish I Didn't Love You So-FT; VC. West St. Toodle-oo-Instr.

West St. Toodle-oo-Instr. This commercial ork, which has been working in the Cincinnati area for the past year, offers a sharp pairing in its wax bow, with the Trask band blowing it sweet and mellow on the pop side. Carol Gable does average job on the vocal. Flip-over is a reversal of form, with the Trask crew displaying a biting attack on a good jumper. Trask aggregation shows itself as a clean, precise musical crew, with good soloists in each section. Bob Taylor's piano and a muted trumpet stand out on the jazz side. Clyde Trask's versatile crew shows wax promise herc.

#### JIMMY BLADE (Sullivan 502-503)

Merrymahers' Polka—P; VC. I'm Not Just a-Whistlin' Dixie—FT; VC. I'll See You Again, Little Darlin'—FT; VC. I'll Never See the Sunshine—FT; VC.

I'll Never See the Sunshine—FT; VC. Cletus Wickens, prexy of Universal Music, independent Chi BMI affiliate, is using the Leon Rene process to promote a quartet of his own tunes, by issuing his own platters on this new label. First two sides feature vocals by the Meloders, Chi NBC harmony foursome, with lead voice lacking real push to really put over number. Second platter features rich voice of Richard Paige, Chi NBC throater, who shows flexibility with a semi-hilbilly ballad on the "Litte Darlin"," while reverse is a pop, which shows promise. "Dixie" is a rhythm novelty that flashes a good set of comedy lyrics. Jimmy Blade, WMAQ piano single, does the band job well with a pick-up group of six ace radio sidemen. The "Polka" and "Little Darlin" sides will interest folk locations.

#### CECIL CAMPBELL (Victor 20-2404) It's Gonna Come Home To You-FT; VC. Hawaiian Moon-FT; VC.

Hawaiian Moon-F1; VC. With trumpet to spark the lively mu-sical patterns of the guitar strummers making up his Tennessee Ramblers, Cecil Campbell gives appealing torch delivery to "It's Gonna Come Home to You," pro-viding greater tune attraction than the mated "Hawaiian Moon," a hula melody which has the male trio harmonizing it softly but without telling effects. Any coin attention will go to "It's Gonna Come Home to You."

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#### **ON** THE STAND of Orchestras Playing Hotels, Night Club and Ballroom Locations and Onc-Nighters Reviews of

#### Joe Mooney Quartet

(Reviewed at the Raleigh Room, Warwick Hotel, New York, Septem-ber 11. Personal manager, George Moffet. Booked by William Morris Agency).

BASS: Gate Frega. GUITAR: Jack Hotop, CLARINET: Andy Fitzgerald. FIANO, ACCORDION and LEADER: Joe Mooney

Back in New York after a number of highly successful engagements in midwestern locations, the Joe Mooney Quartet still displays its intimate and highly stylized music before a hushed admiring audience in the tiny and Raleigh Room. As a rule, opening night audiences are far from well-mannered, but Mooney's foursome cast a spell on its opening crowd which caused some to reprimand their neighbors for so much as stir-ring the olive in their martinis. And ring the olive in their martinis. And rightfully so, for the group's intricate weavings and musical patterns make up the closest thing to chamber mu-sic in the pop vein since the Good-man Sextet and the Shaw Gramercy Five.

#### **Musically Synchronized**

Each of the four men feel and think musically alike, therefore perform with precision and apprecia-tion for one another's work despite the fact that there have been only a few new additions to the library a few new additions to the library with which they earned their initial recognition and a Decca waxing con-tract. They are just as fine today as they were a year ago at Dixon's when Mooney impressed with his whispered vocals a la Nat Cole, his top-notch accordion work and his novel arranging ideas. Andy Fitz-gerald plays wonderful clary; double-talking bass player. Gate Frega talking bass player, Gate Frega scores for humor relief as well as his plucking, and guitarist, Jack Hotop makes an outstanding complement to the group. The group still knocks 'em dead with things like Tea For Two, Nancy, From Monday On, Stars in My Eyes and Wild Dog Blues.

On the road, the Mooney group showed at the boxoffice that last year's big noise was justified. This year the din isn't likely to thin.

Hal Webman.

#### Hal McIntyre

(Reviewed at the Post Lodge, New Rochelle, N. Y., September 9. Booked thru William Morris. Personal manager, George Moffett.)

ager, George Mojjett.) TRUMPETS: William Scaffe, Tom Patton, Don Paladino and Robert Guyer. TROMBONES: Ferdie Von Versen, Wally Boswell and James Emmett. SAXES: Ed Gerlock, Steve Cole, John Popa and John Turnbell. RHYTHM: Ken Harrity, piano; Ralph Til-kin, drums, and Jack Bruske, bass. VOCALISTS: Betty Norton, Frankie Lester and John Turnbell. SAX, CLARINET AND LEADER: Hal Mc-Intyre.

Intyre.

After approximately a year of road work, Hal McIntyre has come back home for a lengthy stay. Joe Waller, with biz at his Post Lodge up 300 per cent since McIntyre moved in, has skedded a three-month return en-gagement teeing off October 1 and running thru the first of the year. Ork, with plenty of work behind it, has grown into a solid combo that has grown into a solid combo that mixes up the sweet with the swing for a dancing clientele, and has the floor jammed for every set. Major Moor jammed for every set. Major weakness, if it can be called a weak-ness these days, is the rumba rendi-tion dished up by the ork. Used to working with an alternate rumba org most of the time, McIntyre (who must play numerous Latin requests of the Lodge) were his rhythm section

#### Don Reid

(Reviewed at the Trianon Ball-room, Chicago, September 11. Booked by Frederick Bros.' Agency.) TRUMPETS: Charley Clay, Chris Mirchoff, TROMBONE: Stanley Dlask. SAXES: Art Compratt, Don Bennett, Floyd Waltz

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Waltz. RHYTHM: Charles Lovfek, piano; Ed Schneider, bass; Don Sheldon, drums. VOCALISTS: Gwen Parke and Bill Howard. LEADER: Don Reid, arranger, trombone. Even after almost a year away from the bandstand, Don Reid has not forgotten the fundamentals of good dance musić, such as proper tempo and simple, beautiful arrangements that the average ear can understand. Virgil Meyers, veteran. Trianon man-ager, called this band one of the best fundamental music crews he's lis-tened to in a long time.

Reid is sparkplugging the whole outfit as he's never done before. Besides making with the smile and kick-ing off tempos just right, the dark-haired fronter is playing a mess of slide horn, both with the section, where the additional horn adds a lot of balance and on solar emergially of balance, and on solos, especially the blues where his mellow tone fits just right. Reid used his extensive book of standards and novelties as a basis when setting up his present li-brary and added plenty of the top pops in addition. When caught ork had to hold its novelty numbers un-der wraps, for William Karzas, op of the ballroom, demands emphasis al-ways on dance music

ways on dance music. Ork sectionally is strong, with lead men Art Compratt standing out with an alto that sparkles because of its steady, melodic vibratto and Charley Clay doing the same kind of job with his trumpet. Most of the sidemen are former Reid alumni who rejoined when the band was reorganized.

Gwen Parke is one of the best gal vocalists seen with a band which has vocalists seen with a band which has worked Chicago in some time. A cute little brunette, the gal knows just what Midwest audiences like, a com-bination of Betty Hutton, Peggy Lee and even a bit of Helen Forrest when she's doing ballads. Gal is a band-stand jewel at all times, even giving stand jewel at all times, even giving out with the showmanship while she's sitting on the stand waiting for her next turn to sing. Gal's emoting is a contrast to deadpan Bill Howard, ex-Teddy Phillips throater, who does extremely well when it comes to listening but fails to arrest the eye with even a good smile. Band also heasts a pretty strong guartet made boasts a pretty strong quartet, made up of the chirp, Clay, Compratt and Reid. Johnny Sippel.

suffer from lack of arrangement and color.

color. Newest addition to the group is Betty Norton, who has a true voice plus a pleasing personality on the stand. Her Embraceable You and Sunday Kind of Love renditions brought large hands from the payees. Frankie Lester also got the glad hand from the audience, while John Tur-bell, who handles novelties, kept the dancers at the banstand during his dancers at the banstand during his appearances.

Given a chance to catch up on their MGM diskings (the ork has cut only eight sides in the last year) plus am-ple air time, McIntyre's stock in the trade should soar before the new year dawns. Norman Weiser.

**Cole Trio at Troubadour** NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The King Cole Trio will begin a one-month en-gagement at the Club Troubadour here October 16. Threesome currently is rounding out a work at the Pair is rounding out a week at the Rain-bow Rendevu in Salt Lake City, folmust play numerous Latin requests at the Lodge) uses his rhythm section backed by the four saxes on rumbas. While the crowd enjoys them, they in a series at the Civic Opera House there September 14.



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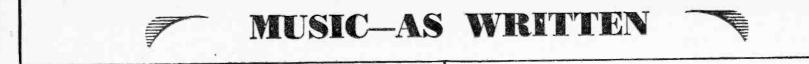
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#### **New York**

Julie Stern, general professional manager of Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), marries Betty Brewer, non-professional, October 26. . . Woody Herman, with most of his former sidemen back in the fold, brings his new ork east in five weeks. . . Mark Carter, Vic Lombardo singer, bedded with a strep throat. Don Brown, Tommy Tucker vocalist who is now on his own until the Tucker org resumes, is filling in for Carter. . . . Moonlight Serenaders leaving Tex Beneke.

Joe Glaser in the Middle West for a week on a booking tour. Folksinger Betty Sanders, soon to go on a concert tour of Eastern colleges, has signed to do an album for Charter when she returns. . . Dick Raymond, . . . Dick Raymond, librarian for Johnny Messner for the past few years, is fronting his own ork, playing his first date at the Hotel Diplomat last Saturday (13).

Machito has waxed Amigo Music's Rumba Jubilee, an audience participation clap hands novelty, for Continental. . . Muriel Gaines renewed for one month at the Sky Bar in Cleveland. . . Song Spinners set to cut *Pedro* with Carl Ravazza for Decca. . . Jack Frase ork set indefinitely at the China Doll. . . Larry Coleman and Paul Secon set their new tune, Go To Sleep My Sleepy Head, with Harms.

Robbins Music is pubbing Beg Your Pardon, a new tune by Francis (Near You) Craig and Beasley Smith. . . . Reps of the Veteran's Club (American Legion, Amvets, Veterans of Foreign Wars) in Dothan, Ala., fishing around for name orks.

Opening Night Notes: Claude Thornhill's opener at the Hotel Pennsyl-vania Monday (8) brought out a slew of visiting maestros. Among those spotted were Ray McKinley, Bobby Byrne, Russ Case, Lloyd Shaeffer, D'Artega, Ray Anthony, Shep Fields, Skinnay Ennis, Tony Pastor, Johnny Bothwell, Jerry Wald, Percy Faith and Boyd Raeburn. Since the opening Thornhill has boosted the Cafe Rouge's biz better than 25 per cent. Imme-diately following his six-week stay at the spot, the orkster and his band will take a 10-day vacation before leaving on a road trip.

Vaughn Monroe ork renewed this week by Camel ciggie firm for another Vaughn Monroe ork renewed this week by Camel ciggle firm for another season of airers. . . Charioteers vocal group this week signed a one-year renewal contract with Columbia Records; deal calls for options on a second year. . . Mel Torme, who originally was skedded to tee off the Freddy Robbins Town Hall concert series October 4, pulled out of the shindig this week when clearance was blocked by management of the Paramount Theater, where the warbler is due to appear in October.

Russ Case will direct all future Perry Como and Beryl Davis waxing dates for Victor. . . Singer Billy Eckstine will play a return engagement beginning September 19 at the Onyx Club, where he will share the bill with the Three Bips and a Bop vocal group. . . Jo Stafford will be queen of the first annual dance of the Retail Record Dealers' Association at Manhattan Center September 21. Guest recording artists slated to appear are Count Basie, Claude Thornhill, Vic Damone, Mel Torme, Sam Donahue, Eddy Duchin, Ella Fitzgerald and many others. Emsee is disk jockey Paul Brenner.

E. R. Lewis, English Decca topper, will arrive here on the Queen Elizabeth next week. . . . Adolph Kuperman, father of Dave Kuperman, and



founder of the Kuperman & Delguercio printing house, which prints much of the trade's sheet music, passed away this week.

#### Chicago

Rush Hughes, KXOK, St. Louis, syndicated disk jockey, will join Stan Kenton's band at Hutchinson, Kan., October 28 to do a week's traveling with the band on one-nighters just for kicks. . . . Phil Levant, who left the with the band on one-nighters just for kicks. . . . Find Devalt, who for the fronter ranks recently to go with the Chi office of the Mus-Art Agency as an agent and jobbing band leader, will work Chicago Bears football games with an augmented 17-piece band. Levant also inked the office's first cocktail unit, Red Hodgson's combo, and will build a cocktail stable. . . Ervin Victor, the well-known hillbilly disk jock who was heard over WJJD, has gone into free-lancing and is building a hillbilly show for future sale.

Al Benson, Negro disk jockey, joined the staff of WJJD last week with a 15-minute platter show across the board for Canadian Ace beer, making the first time a major independent has used a Negro jock show locally.... Tommy nirst time a major independent has used a Negro jock show locally.... Tommy Sheridan, ex-Welk planist, who formed a road band recently, disbanded his big band, which was being booked by Mus-Art, and returned to single cocktail status, with Sheridan planning to re-organize in several months.... Art Talmadge, Mercury flack chief, became the father of a daughter, Joyce, September 10.

Eddie Hubbard, ABC Club, WIND, back to take over after a summer stint with the Chesterfield Supper Club, during which he transcribed his Chi show. . . Willie Shore, bistro comic, cut an album for King label. . . . The Cabin Boys, cocktail combo, cut a series of sides for Fidelity platters. . . . Mercury Records will monopolize the attractions in the September 19 show at the College Inn of the Hotel Sherman, with Patti Page added this week to previously skedded Frankie Laine and Joe Melis's ork. . . . Speakers at the September 22-23 Midwest Ballroom Operators' meeting in Des Moines will include Chauncey Weaver, veteran member of the AFM executive board; Morris O. Penquite, rep of the Internal Revenue Bureau, and BMI and ASCAP reps.

#### Cincinnati

Clyde Trask has returned to his home here suffering from minor burns and shock sustained when he leaped from the Steamer Island Queen, which was destroyed by fire, following an explosion, in Pittsburgh Tuesday (9). Trask, who recently concluded his fourth season in Moonlite Gardens at Coney Island here, was in his 11th season on the Island Queen. No members of Trask's 16-piece band were aboard when the explosion occurred, but all the boys lost their instruments in the fire, which also devoured Trask's music library which he valued at \$4,000. . . Frank Hanshaw, local GAC bigwig, is passing out smokes on the birth of a son, Frank Wayne Jr. Mama is Jane Fowler, formerly in the same office. Fowler, formerly in the same office.

Deke Moffitt. BKO Albee Theater leader, has taken his comedy band, the Little Red Caboosers, into the Silver Slipper, Memphis, for a fortnight's stand... Jimmy and Ruth Dodd, songwriting Cincinnatians now located in Hollywood, have a new ditty, Cincinnati, which received its first airing over WLW Saturday (13) on the Sylvia show.

#### Hollywood

Harry Richman pacted by Decca to do an album of tunes associated with his climb to fame. Richman will cut album during current Hollywood stay..., Frankie Masters, currently doing a top job at Casino Gardens, pacted to do 12 more sides for MGM Records... Paul Neighbors, back from summer in Catalina, has moved his small ork into lush Sarnez Restau-rant in Beverly Hills... Artie Wayne set for first Hollywood club date in several years, opening September 15 at the Rounders... Bob Reichen-bach, former flack chief for Universial Transcription, added to sales and promotion staff of Mayfair Transcriptions... Berle Adams, ex-Mercury records topper, has bought an interest in Fairway Music Company, Coast hillbilly pubbery. hillbilly pubbery.

#### Detroit

Jimmy Strauss and his orchestra were signed to open the season at the Vanity Ballroom Friday (5), with Betty Ann Clark featured. . . . Ed (Jack the Bellboy) McKenzie, disk jockey at WJBK, who recently incorporated, has now reached out for Tin Pan Alley with the publication of *It's Jack the Bellboy Time*. The song is tentatively slated for recording by Dardanelle Bellboy Time. for RCA Victor.

Negro Music Winners | Murray Singer Opens Offices To Appear in Three Town Hall Recitals

**Town Hall Recitals** NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Winners of the first annual national Negro Con-gress Musical Competition, as deter-mined at Town Hall Tuesday and Wednesday (9 and 10), will appear in three Town Hall recitals later this year. Winners were Allan Brown, pianist, New York; Oland Gaston, pianist, New York; Louise Parker, contralto, Philadelphia, and Rose Stewart, soprano, New York. The 1948 competition will be

# **Institute Board Chairman Outlines Plans To Whip Up Public Interest in Music**

### Research of 90 U. S. Cities Already Under Way

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—The pro-jected campaign to broaden the pub-lic's interest in music, outlined here last November to reps of various facets of the music business, became a reality this week when Louis G. LaMair, chairman of the board of trustees of the program and prexy of Lyon & Healy, major music store chain, revealed plans of the Music Institute of America (MIA). Institute of America (MIA).

Institute of America (MIA). As outlined last year, plans called for a tentative \$300,000 promotion and market research budget, but LaMair said that thus far he had heard from the following organiza-tions: The National Piano Manufac-turers' Association, the Band Instru-ment Manufacturers' Association, the National Association of Music Mer-chants, the National Association of Music Merchandise Wholesalers and the National Association of Music Merchandise Manufacturers. The present \$80,000 budget has been ap-portioned among these five trade as-sociations. As yet, LaMair said that he has received letters informing him that the campaign is under consider-ation, but no support has yet been ation, but no support has yet been tendered from music publishers, rec-ord manufacturers, radio makers, mu-sic licensing agencies, such as ASCAP, BMI and SESAC; the major radio networks and the American Federa-tion of Musicians. La Mair seid that tion of Musicians. LaMair said that if they do signify that they will sup-port the program financially, he hopes to raise the first year's budget.

#### **Favors** Permanent Basis

When originally announced, the program was a three-year activity, but LaMair this week said that the committee feels the music promotion campaign should be put on a permanent basis.

campaign should be put on a perma-nent basis. In setting the new project in mo-tion, LaMair announced the appoint-ment of Clare A. Johnson as execu-tive secretary of the institute. John-son, an accomplished musician, has been active in business association work and Chamber of Commerce groups. The A. S. Bennett Agency, Gotham market research group, has been hired to investigate best possi-bilities with which to interest pub-lic fancy in music. Harry Coleman, prexy of the public relations firm which will handle the MIA promo-tion campaign, said he is currently undertaking a research of the 90 U. S. cities with populations over 100,000 in order to set up an index in which cities will be rated accord-ing to musical interest. Those cities, which rate low in the matter of music interest, will be first on the MIA work list. **Program Extensive** 

**Program Extensive** LaMair said that the definite pro-gram of MIA would be forthcoming within a few months after findings of the current market research are disclosed. He pointed out briefly that the program will be a sweeping one, carrying out such details as working with architects to get their co-operation in building homes which will have space for musical instru-ments and seeking to musical instruwill have space for musical instru-ments and seeking to work out a proments and seeking to work out a pro-gram with school officials under which music will become as big a part of a curriculum as athletics and under which the school would make com-plete payment for music endeavor, where now music is paid for partially by the school and partly by the stu-dent active in music. dent active in music.

of a widespread promotion drive for music interest by Dr. Albert Haring, Indiana University professor and market research authority. Haring pointed out that a long list of in-dustries, competing for the public's dollar with the music trade, had long been utilizing similar promotion drives. LaMair this week said that according to Department of Com-merce reports the music business generally was losing ground when compared to competing industries over the past decade. Haring told the November meeting that music has never reached the total sales amassed in 1929, while competitive industries in 1929, while competitive industries have in many cases risen 170 per cent above their 1929 level.

## Harmonicats Set For One-Nighters

CHICAGO, Sept. 13 .- Jerry Murad's Harmonicats, who close a five-week stay at the Roxy, New York, September 23, are currently being set on a series of one-night concert and theater dates in the Midwest.

The Cats, whose Peg o' My Heart got its longest sustained big play in this territory, work the St. Charles, New Orleans, for six days, opening September 25, after which they start a series of one-day theater dates thru the Wisconsin Fox River Valley War-ner Bros, and Standard Upstic ner Bros. and Standard theaters, running until October 8. From October 9 to 15, the mouth organ trio work one-night concert dates in auditoriums in six Michigan cities and one Indiana burg.

and one Indiana burg. Booking by Sid Harris of Mutual Entertainment Agency was unusual, in that Harris has merely sold a package, featuring the Harmonicats, with other members of the cast not yet skedded. Ops and theater bookers were content to take the package, with remainder of the cast unknown, merely to get the Vitacoustic platter merely to get the Vitacoustic platter hit trio, Harris said. Package will include an as yet unselected band and several supporting acts. Trio is working on an undisclosed guarantee and percentage deal in all stops.

Boys also play two weeks at the Riverside, Milwaukee, October 16, with a series of as yet unskedded concert dates to follow.

## **Kettering's Status** With F.B. Uncertain

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 13.-Status of Tom Kettering, veepee in charge of the New York offices of Fredericks of the New York offices of Fredericks Bros., after the first of the year when his current contract expires, remained hazy following his arrival here this week. While the last of the org's "old guard" admitted that he was weighing offers from other agencies at this time, L. A. Fredericks denied any knowledge of Kettering's exit, stressing instead that the New York topper had been on friendly terms with the agency's execs and had said An MIA advisory committee, com-posed of prominent personages from all walks of life, will be announced nothing of resigning.

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## Hughes, KXOK Jock, Peddling Own Shows

CHICAGO, Sept. 13. — Rush Hughes, KXOK, St. Louis, platter pilot, who recently made a deal with Keystone Broadcasting System (KBS) whereby his transcribed disk shows are being heard over 293 KBS stations, is expanding his own production and sales duties. Hughes, who does a two-hour show over the St. Louis station five times weekly, is currently producing and peddling two new shows of his own, Sports in Action, a five-minute sports show five times per week; and the policy.

Hughes Reel, a 15-minute narrative type program, which he did previously when he was working on the West Coast. Hughes is also prepping an e.t. series of hillbilly disk jockey shows, by a name rustic jock, and this week made a deal with Berle Adams to take over sales duties for Stay Tuned for Terror, a horror drama series, which Adams worked out two years ago.

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Hughes, who does considerable traveling in connection with peddling his own show, said he felt it wise to expand his sales catalog, if he were to continue his touring policy.



## GAC Cracks 2 Big Hotels

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. — General Artists Corporation (GAC) this week cracked into two major location spots, the Ansley Hotel, Atlanta, and the Palace Hotel, San Francisco. The agency long has been reported ready to crack the Ansley, which has been using Music Corporation of America (MCA) orks since it opened with a name ork policy last June, but only this week was the first sale completed. GAC's Chuck Foster will play a two-week engagement beginning October 1. Frankie Carle also was confirmed by the hotel for a date in February, with the Ansley said to be interested in other GAC properties including Tony Pastor, Johnny Long, Victor Lombardo, Desi Arnaz and Ray McKinley.

Arnaz and Ray McKinley. The agency sold its first ork, Desi Arnaz, into the Palace Hotel, San Francisco. This long-time top location has used orks from several agencies, but this Arnaz sale for a six-week date marks a first in the spot for GAC. Arnaz will open around November 10.

## Arthur Lesser Off On Paris Biz Trip

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. — Arthur Lesser leaves today on a 10-day jaunt to Paris to line up the forthcoming Lena Horne tour, also to look over acts for Lou Walters and check on the progress of the script for his planned French movie, *The Tiger*, based on the life of Georges Clemenceau. John Garfield has been mentioned for a part in the flicker.

Horne will do six weeks abroad after she winds up at Town Casino, Buffalo. On her return to the U. S. she is to work the Chicago Theater, Chicago, and is then due on the Coast for Metro.

#### Big Ballroom Being Built Near Prairie Du Chien

PRAIRIE DU CHIEN, Wis., Sept. 13.—Ground has been broken for the Checkerboard Dance Hall, which, when completed, will be the biggest ballroom within a hundred miles of this town and will book name bands. The room will be erected just south of the city limits by The Checkerboard Company, Inc. A. W. Winter is president of the group building the dancery. According to present plans, the spot will hold its first dance in about three months.

#### Col To Hypo Coast Flack

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 13.—Columbia Records is shortly expected to hypo its West Coast flack operations with the appointment of a Hollywood publicity rep to work with plattery's flack chief, Christine Edwards. Praise agent will concentrate on artists' relations and press contacts in line with constant shift of important recording dates from the East to Hollywood. Disk jockey contacts and other promotional gimmicks will continue to be handled by Ray Thomas Company, Columbia's West Coast distributor.

**How Many Clams?** 

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 13.— Looks like the summer boom is over. A sign pasted in the window of Bogotin's Bar this week reads:

"Piano player wanted who can double as oyster opener."

## Kraeft Utilizes Chi School Kids In New Disk Seg

CHICAGO, Sept. 13. - Utilizing Chicago, public school kindergarten and early elementary classes as a pretest for format of a new kidisk jockey show, Norm Kraeft, ex-school teacher, will debut the half-hour stint over WENR, ABC Chi outlet, September 20. In a survey made by Kraeft among classes during recreation periods, the WENR staff announcer found that moppets are just as inerested in American folk music as they are in novelty and comedy kidisks. Following findings of his tots' canvass, Kraeft intends to stress fundamental kid material, such as recorded fables, fairy tales and nursery rhymes in preference to the newly written recorded albums. As a mail pull, Kraeft will utilize contest, with albums as giveaway prizes, in which kids will be asked to send in drawing of their impression of how a arawing of their impression of now a particular character in the record al-bum played on the show looks. Show, which will air at 4:30 p.m., CST, Sat-urdays, will utilize disks by Burl Ives, Leadbelly, Woody Guthrie, Su-san Reed and Charity Bailey doing lighter folk material.

Kraeft's kid jock stint is second Chi platter show aimed at kids. Norm Pierce airs his *Children's Corner* over WCFL at 9:30 a.m. Sundays. Show, which has been on for eight months, features original playlets and stories by Pierce as well as variety of kidisk singles and albums.

## New Chi Platteries Set 60, 79c Prices

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—Paramount Records, independent plattery recently organized by Owen Goldheimer, Cleveland business man, is marketing its platters for 60 cents, making it one of a handful of independents which are utilizing this basic low price for disks. Since June, when the firm was formed, Goldheimer has amassed a roster of talent including Johnny Powell and his band, Geraldine Morgan, Sol Fiola, the Royal Four Aces, Jimmy Lewis, Charles Barrett and his orchestra, and the Quintones. Platters are being distributed thru Windsor Phono Company.

Another independent music publisher, Cletus Wickens, prexy of Universal Music, BMI affiliate, set up the Sullivan label in Chi this week. The platters, which will go for 79 cents, offer four of his original tunes, done by 88-er Jimmy Blade (of WMAQ, local NBC outlet) and his orchestra, with Richard Paige, station throater, on vocals.

#### Martinique, Martinsville, Inaugurates Name Policy

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The Martinique Club, Martinsville, Va., last week inaugurated a name ork policy, teeing off with Billy Butterfield September 5. The spot, which is operated by former orkster Bubbles Becker and Buck Whitlow, formerly used local orks and was sold on the name policy by Joe Higgins, of General Artists Corporation (GAC).

erai Artists corporation (GAC). The Butterfield experiment proved good enough box office for the ops to continue the policy and they have bought Ray Anthony's ork for a twoweeker beginning October 10 and will buy others once they fulfill obligations to local orks signed for future dates.





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Airshow Revamped NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Columbia Records will put the Columbia Rec-ord Shop airshow on 600 programs this year and will change the format. Instead of featuring new releases only, the show will air hit tunes and old faves recorded by the label.

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In addition, the diskery is scout-ing the disk jockey field with the idea of buying segments of various jock programs thruout the country. One of those being considered by Columbia is the Freddy Robbins' 1280 Club over WOV.

## **Ricker To Manage New Balto-Ballroom**

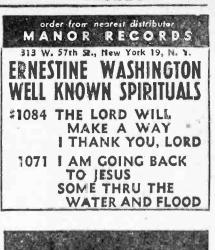
BALTIMORE, Sept. 13 .- Edward Ricker, for the past 10 years a local theater manager, will manage the new Famous Ballroom, which opens September 25. Band booking for the terpery will be handled by Harry Schindler, general manager of Bowling, Inc., operators of the ballroom, and Morton F. Baker.

The Famous will accommodate more than 1,000 persons and will specialize in contests and special event promotions.

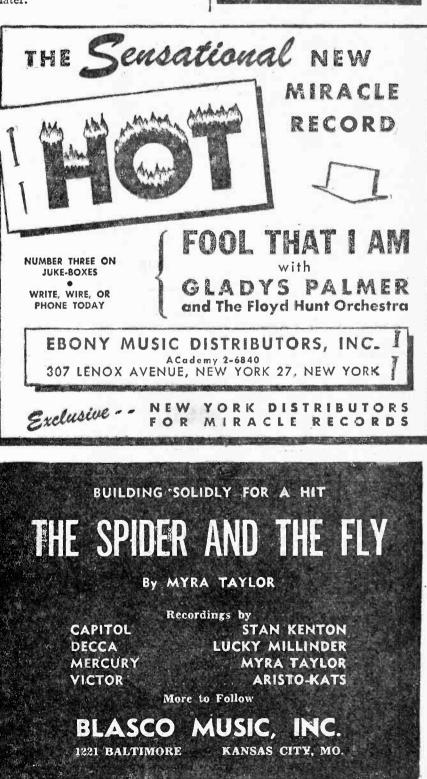
## Diskers Getting Cushy Junket Out **Of** 'Button Shoes'

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- These legit NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—These legit musical tryouts in Philly really get the music publishers here to plot cushy excursions. Monday night (15) Henry Spitzer, of the Edwin H. (Buddy) Morris pubberies, hosts a drumful of recording men—Pullman seats, tickets on the house—for the *High Button Shoes* preem in Philly. Spitzer will be touting the mechani-cal reps on the Cahn and Styne score which his firm will publish. Then Wednesday night (17) Abe

Then, Wednesday night (17) Abe Olman, of the Metro-Robbins group, has the disk moguls tabbed for an-other Philly trek, this one for *Music in My Heart*, the vehicle based on the life and music of Tchaikovsky, score of which belongs to the Metro firms. of which belongs to the Metro firms. So far Olman hadn't responded to the chic suggestion (Ed. Note: "Wise guys") that he put the disk men up at a hotel after the High Button show and entertain them all day Tuesday so they wouldn't have to double back from Gotham two days later later.







**Prices Are Slashed** 

**On Vogue Records** NEW YORK, Sept. 13.-Nat Cohn, Modern Music Sales, who recently

purchased, thru a Detroit bank, the entire stock of Vogue disks, has slashed the album and individual platter prices.

The Vogue albums, formerly re-tailing for \$2.65, will now be offered to the public at \$2.25 per album, while the single platters, formerly \$1.05, will be cut to 79 cents. Price reductions become effective immediately.

## **Post Lodge Signs** McIntyre for 3 Mos.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.-Joe Wal-ler, Post Lodge operator, has signed Hal McIntyre for three months starting October 1. Ork, which opened a two-week engagement at the spot on Labor Day, hypoed biz 300 per cent in its first week.

With Marshall Young booked back for two weeks starting September 17, McIntyre will fill one-nighters and a one-week booking in Boston before resuming at the Westchester location.

#### **Beryl Davis on ABC**

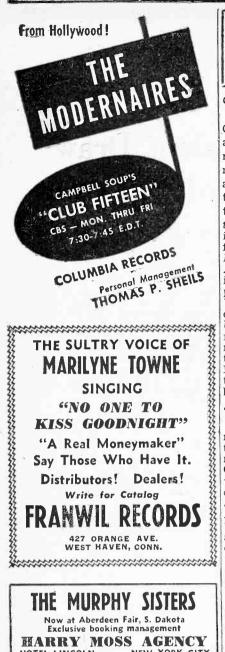
NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—British chirp Beryl Davis last week began a week-to-week sustainer on the Amerweek-to-week sustainer on the Amer-ican Broadcasting Company (ABC). She is backed by the Buddy Weed Trio on the 15-minute Sunday eve-ning airer. Air show is tabbed Beryl by Candlelight, which was the name of the singer's British Broad-casting Cornoration (BBC) show casting Corporation (BBC) when she was in England. show

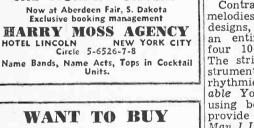


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# ALBUM BEVIEWS

#### GENE KRUPA (Columbia C-138)

Eight of the top sides made by the Gene Krupa band in years gone by, all with a marked enthusiasm and rhythmic punch paced by his drumnastics that still spin bright today, the jump and jive frame, set includes two instrumentals in Tuxedo Juncfor Drum Boogie and Drummin' Man; while the sultry singing of Anita O'Day makes for the best side in Boogie Blues, gal also piping it plenty hot for a scat session in That's What You Think and with Roy Eldridge for the familiar Let Me Off Uptown. Jungle drums make up the front cover design with picture of the maestro and notes on his music for the inside cover. Sides showcase the Krupa band as it is seldom heard today, and most of the sides can well be used by the coin operators.

## TANGO WITH CUGAT (Columbia C-132)

All familiar and tuneful instru-mental tango melodies, played with the usual degree of color and smart-ness in the fashioning by Xavier Cugat's band, this set of eight tangos Cugat's band, this set of eight tangos will go a long way in pleasing such dance enthusiasts. Selections include Jalousie, Rain in Spain, Inspiration, La Cumparsita, Porque te Quiero Tanto?, Caminito, Adios Muchachos and Medias de Seda. Cugat's self caricature graces the album cover with photo of gaucho Cugat and notes on his music for the inside pages on his music for the inside pages.

#### MUSIC OF GEORGE GERSHWIN-

Andre Kostelanetz (Columbia MM-559) Contrasting the familiar Gershwin melodies with concert and rhythmic designs, Andre Kostelanetz provides designs, Andre Kostelanetz provides an entirely enjoyable package of four 10-inch records for this set. The string polish providing the in-strumental gloss, the maestro gives a rhythmic interpretation for Embraceable You and Fascinatin' Rhythm, using both sides of the record to provide musical contrasts for The Man I Love. Medleys five Gershwin familiars for the other two sides in the set. All the disking making for a listening delight, cover design is based on a tenement scene, with photo of the composer and notes on his music for the inside page.

#### BILLIE HOLIDAY-Vol. I (Columbia C-135)

The lusty and ribald lyric projection of Billie Holiday is brought back for this package of eight sides, dating back a decade ago, and about the best she has put down on platters. are brought back for this set. All in All jazz collector items, with the instrumental support on the various sides affording Artie Shaw, Claude tion and Leave Us Leap; Irene Day Thornhill, Teddy Wilson, the late is on deck for the rhythmic dittying Bunny Berigan and many of Count Basie's men, it's Miss Billie's expressive jazz singing for Until the Real sive jazz singing for Until the Real Thing Comes Along, I Cover the Water Front, I Can't Get Started, When a Woman Loves a Man, He's Funny That Way, A Sailboat in the Moonlight, Summertime and Billte's Blues. A first volume, it indicates that the label is going to package more of Miss Holiday's superlative cong feelings Caricatures of a blues song feelings. Caricatures of a blues singer makes for the album cover design with pictures of Miss Billie and blog notes on the inside page. KOSTELANETZ CONDUCTS

### (Columbia MM-681)

Eight colorful and highly tuneful song standards are fashioned as beautiful tone pictures in Strad design around which Andre Kostelanetz sign around which Andre Kostelanetz scores the orchestra. Spinning on 12-inch tracks, it's pop concert treat-ment for Jalousie, Yours Is My Heart Alone, The Swan, Romance in E-Flat Major by Rubinstein, In a Monastery Garden, Drdla's Souvenir, The Ros-ary and Del Falla's Ritual Fire Dance. A ticking metropome set accent ticking metronome set against a lace pattern makes for an attractive cover title page, with picture of the maestro and notes on the music for the inside.

#### FOLK MUSIC OF HAITI (Disc 142)

A second set in the waxery's ethnic A second set in the waxery's ethnic series, this package of four records (only three included in set sent for review), brings the unadorned and entirely folk songs from the Island of Haiti. Recorded on location by Har-old Courlander, it's a variety of work and play songs, festival and religious songs, sung in the untrained voices of the people from the streets and played on their native drum instruplayed on their native drum instru-ments, bamboo trumpets, stamping tubes and mosquito drums. An educational rather than a musical set, the spinning will be of special in-terest to anthropologists, folk-lorists and perhaps to dance students. Color etching by David Stone Martin, entirely removed from the spinning scene but entirely artistic, graces the album cover, with notes and credits on the inside page. Also included is a descriptive pamphlet by Cour-lander, explaining the background of the music and translations of the song texts.

#### CALYPSO-Vol. III (Disc 640)

A third set of Calypso chants, this package of two records brings in the characteristically native chanting in the characteristically native chanting of Lord Invader, with the spirited na-tive rhythms of Trinidad played by Felix and his Internationals. His diction clear if the ear is trained to the pronunciation peculiarities, Lord Invader sings in two lead but for the pro-Invader sings in typical lusty fashion for God Made Us All, a stirring plea for racial equality; Pound Your Plan-tain in the Mortar, folk song of the banana-type fruit that is pounded to help flavor the native Calalou dish, a satirized family song in Coursin Fam nelp havor the native Calalou dish, a satirical family song in *Cousin Fam-ily*, and a rollicking carnival song in *Mary Ann*. For the Calypso enthus-iasts, this set fills all expectations. Cover design features a festive carni-val scene along with a newspaper reprint in which is hidden album credits credits.

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## Disk Tie-In As Build-Up For Acts Walters-Loew Ramifications **GAC Hypoes Talent Draw** May Stymie Harem Preem Via Record Exploitation

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The situa- agreement with the corporation per-on involving the opening of the mitted him to either invest or particition involving the opening of the Harem has some ramifications that may stymie or prevent its preem, according to well-informed sources. The situation is wound around the feeling between E. M. Loew and Lou Walters and dates back to last winter

Walters and dates back to last winter when Jane Russell was bought for Loew's Miami Beach Latin Quarter. When the Harem deal was ne-gotiated, E. M. Loew reportedly be-gan grumbling about being left out. "But I did nothing about it because I don't want to hurt Nat Harris (LQ manager who has a part interest in the Harem)," said Loew. Feeling was further intensified when the Pining Bock. Saratoga deal

Feeling was further intensified when the Piping Rock, Saratoga, deal was made, with Loew being left out. Insiders say that last year Loew's cut on the Piping Rock was \$27,000. This year the spot didn't do well, so Loew was ahead by not being in on the deal. At least that is what the lads close to the situation sav. say.

Loew Not Pleased Loew, reached in Boston by phone, said he wasn't pleased with the "new competition and maybe I'll do some-thing about it," but refused to say

what. Walters' reply was that everything was on the up and up and that new competition couldn't be stopped. "Be-sides, if I don't run it (the Harem), somebody else will," he said. Walters also pointed out that he was a stock-holder in the Latin Quarter and his

## **Queens Terrace Ups** Show Budget to 3G; Will Use Two Orks

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.-The Queens Terrace, Sunnyside, L. I., has put about \$5,000 into new decorations and hiked its show budget to about has \$3,000. The spot had previously op-erated with about a \$1,000 show.

The new show, to preem Septem-ber 17, will have Mickey Alpert, Bobby Jordan, Marlene and Michael, Jo Ann Summer and a Guy Martin line. The spot will also have the Joe De Carlo ork and a rumba band. The show is being produced by Mickey Alpert and Lou Perry. Perry is also the club's exclusive booker.

## Korn Kobblers Held **Over at Flag Ship**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The Korn Kobblers, who went into the Flag Ship, Union City, N. J., some 10 weeks ago for \$2,500 plus 30 per cent of the take over a certain figure, have been received for 26 efficiency have been renewed for 26 additional weeks at a different salary. Under the old contract they often took out more than 3G.

The new deal calls for \$3,000 flat and no percentage. If during their stay they get a picture or a legit show they have the right to leave.

#### **Three Flames To Double**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The Three Flames, currently at the Blue Angel, will double for the September 25 week at the Loew's State.

pate in any other activities he saw fit. "Just because I am a stockholder

fit. "Just because I am a stockholder in one corporation doesn't mean that I can't become a stockholder in any other enterprise," he said. So far as the Palm Island Latin Quarter is concerned, said Loew, "I'm going to run it myself this season." His new producers will be Wally Wanger and Madame Komurova, He denied that Bill Miller would have anything to do with the Miami Beach spot. spot.



#### Jackie Miles Signs for 5G

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- The Miami season is still some months away but already the resort clubs are beginhave found that if there have been any ideas that names would work for less this season, they can be for-gotten if at least one booking is any vardstick yardstick.

yardstick. Jackie Miles will open at the Glover Club, Miami, on an eight-week deal for \$5,000, which is a jump of about \$1,000 over his money from the Beachcomber last year. Odd part of the deal is that the Paddock, a downtown spot, offered Miles a guar-antee of \$4,500 plus a split which would have enabled him to walk out with \$6,500. Term was also for eight weeks. The Clover Club date was set by Johnny Greenhut, of Music Cor-poration of America (MCA), as a net deal so far as the agency is con-cerned. William Morris office, han-dling Miles, will get its full 10. Berle Speculative

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The trade is wondering out loud what will happen with other attrac-tions when they discover that Miles is getting 5G. Sophie Tucker, for example, is set to go back to the Beachcomber. The Copa is still look-ing around and honing to come up Beachcomber. The Copa is still look-ing around and hoping to come up with another Danny Kaye, Danny Thomas or Milton Berle. It is under-stood that Berle will work at the Copa this season if he goes to Florida, as part of a moral obligation after having failed to work there last year because of his radio show.

How much Berle will get if he takes How much Berle will get if he takes the Copa job is a matter of some speculation. On his last Stem nitery date, at the Carnival, he got \$10,000. Boys on the inside say that Berle probably won't move under \$20,000 (which is what Darpy Kaya is gue (which is what Danny Kaye is sup-posed to have gotten at the Copa last season).

season). The major hope is that the niteries on the Beach and in the city will do the business. Insiders point to the Saratoga season as indicative of a trend that points to a worsened Flor-ida season. But what will happen nobody really knows. The only fact present is that Florida dough will be bigger than ever this year.

Tie-up with Columbia Records promotes theater performers into night club attractions-advertising expenses are paid by record company and club

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Gimmicks hotel rooms and niteries. Each spot increasing the value of an act or keeping it working constantly have been tried time and again. One of benefit. the problems is to take a theater act, doing a good job, and have it mean something in a cafe. Idea behind it is quite simple. A theater act seldom can get 12 to 15 weeks a year unless it's on the bill with a long-run picture, but even then it's total bookings wouldn't amount to more

than about 20 weeks. Oddly enough the cafe act which wants to do theaters isn't faced with that problem. The average cafe will advertise its acts more heavily becan trim its cafe routines to fit thea-ters, it can find work.

#### **Record Tic-Ups**

General Artists Corporation (GAC) which in common with other talent offices has had the problem of keeping theater acts working, has de-veloped the record tie-up almost into a fine art as applied to clubs. Office started it with Fred Lowery and Dorothy Rae. Team had recorded for Columbia Records and sold a fairish amount of platters. Team had somewhat of a draw due to their Horace Heidt days, but not strong enough to make them mean anything to cafes.

Office went to work with Columbia promotion department (thru its local distribs) and whenever it managed to sell the team into a nitery Columbia plastered the town in advance with window cards, arranged for disk jockey tie-ins, planed radio inter-views, arranged department store sales with signed records, etc. Re-sult was that Lowery and Rae, who up to then were strictly a theater act, widened their field and got jobs in

### Stars & Ice To Return To Caracas for 3 Mos.

CARACAS, Venezuela, Sept. 13 .-Samuel Backerman and Jose Borges Samuel Backerman and Jose Borges Villegas, operators of Coney Island amusement park here who brought Stars and Ice, first ice show to Latin America, plan to bring the show back to Caracas for a three-month run. The show is now in Buenes Aires show is now in Buenos Aires

Show is now in Buenos Aires. Original plan was to take it to Rio. Backerman said biz was so good in Caracas that Rio would be passed up for the present. Show staged by Fritz and Elisabeth Chandler, fea-tured Joan Walden, Babe Voorhis and Lucky Peterson, and carried its own equipment valued at \$150,000.

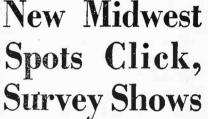
#### New Jazz Spot in Astoria

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—A new jazz spot featuring Dixieland style preems in Astoria, Long Island, N. Y., Sep-tember 17. Room will be tagged Johnny Blowers Club. Blowers will be on the drums; Tony Parenti, clari-net; Max Kaminsky, trumpet; Herb Winfield, trombone; Phil Della Penna, piano, and Irv Manning, bass.

Same plan was tried with Johnny Desmond and the Deep River Boys when the opened in Toronto at the Club Norman. Result in Desmond's case was that town bought 30,000 of his Victor records, of which 10,000 were his *Guilty*.

were his Guilty. Advertising Bill Split Expense of such a promotion is usually borne by the record com-pany and the club. The latter has to spend for advertising emphasizing local appearance in any case. The difference is that, with the club's advertising, the record company's plugging, and disk jockey tie-ins, enough excitement is generated to bring customers into the cafe. It is obvious that the program can't work for all theater acts. The pre-

work for all theater acts. The pre-requisite is that the act does some recording. This in turn means that the office with acts laying off has to get record dates for them, and not all acts are suitable for recordings. But for those that are and can get them, they can reduce layoffs, pick up extra moo from record sales and last but hardly least make them a more valuable property for the office.



#### While Regulars Do Only Fair

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—A group of new niteries, situated in smaller Mid-west cities, is doing land-office busi-

new niteries, situated in smaller Mid-west cities, is doing land-office busi-ness, but bistro grosses generally thru the Central States are just fair, a survey of leading Chi bookers re-vealed this week. Roemar T. Feeley, Chi act depart-ment chief for McConkey Music Corporation, reports that six new Midwest accounts which he has picked up during the past eight months have shown talent policies which are paying a good dividend. Spots in the circuit are the Club Seville, Grand Rapids, Mich., op-erated by Millie and Jerry Houting, who have used a budget of around \$1,000 weekly for their 250-capacity spot; the new Saratoga Inn, Litch-field, Ill., brightery, owned by Lowell Orr, \$1,200 weekly; the El Morocco, Cairo, Ill., run by Elmer Oliver, \$1000; Kenny's Turf Lounge, Austin, Minn., \$700; the Harrison Boat Club, Terre Haute, and the LVL Club, In-dignarolie both of which utilier Mmn., \$700; the Harrison Boat Club, Terre Haute, and the LVL Club, In-dianapolis, both of which utilize about \$400 in acts and a band weekly, and Tony's Venetian Room, Des Moines, \$500. With the exception of the Indian-apolis bistro, the clubs all have been (See New Midwest Spots on page 53)

**NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE** 50

Copacabana, New York (Thursday, September 11)

Capacity, 610. Prices \$3-\$4 minimum. Op-erator, Monte Proser. Booker, non-exclusive. Publicity, George Evans. Estimated budget current show, \$9,000.

Whenever Joe E. Lewis hits the Copa, nothing on the same bill seems to matter. The crowd comes to see Lewis and everything else is a stage wait. That Lewis is potent box-office wait. That Lewis is potent box-once medicine here is easily appar-ent. That he is a top entertainer with his special material also was indicated from the yocks he pulled. It's too bad some of his friends don't let him work as a single. Their well-meant intentions and shouted local gags doubtlessly fracture their inti-meter. They mean nothing to the gags doubtessly fracture their inte-mates. They mean nothing to the majority who come to see Lewis and not Toots Shor. If Shor wants to work so badly he can put on a show in his restaurant and give himself star billing.

Lewis' new stuff is in the same vein as most of his old material. It's blue, articulate and topical. His Pagliacci delivery gives it a lift that few comics can copy. On night caught he was right in the groove—until his pals de-cided they wanted to get into the act.

Mario and Floria Mario and Floria<sup>6</sup> did as beautiful a job of ballroomology as there is around. Their smart appearance su-perimposed on their imaginative routimes got hands—even from a Joe E. Lewis mob. Team opened with a fast number, changed pace to a dreamy tempo and came back for a samba. Big hand pulled them back, (See Copacabana on opposite page)

## NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

#### Ciro's, Hollywood (Thursday, September 11)

Capacity, 450. Price policy, \$3 cover. Shows at 9:30 and midnight. Owner-operator, H. D. Hover. Publicity, Charlotte Rogers. Esti-mated budget this show, \$7,500. Estimated budget last show, \$2,000.

It looks as if every night will be like Saturday night with Harry Rich-man on the platform. With one of showbiz's oldtime greats in the spot-light, theme naturally follows nostallight, theme naturally follows nostal-gic line. Ringsiders thrill as Rich-man gives out with Puttin' on the Ritz, Song of the Vagabond and Birth of the Blues, and palms grow red after each selection. It's the old memory lane spirit that does it— the Richman tip of the top-hat and spin of the walking stick that pulls down the house.

A thread of continuity weaves to-gether the old-time tunes into a routine tagged That Old Gang of Mine, and each selection salutes the artist which made it famous. Pass-ing on this cong parade are Fanny artist which made it famous. Pass-ing on this song parade are Fanny Brice, Sophie Tucker, Eddie Cantor, Al Jolson, etc. He concludes by commenting that just as these stars are remembered by their songs, Puttin' on the Ritz is the song that their songs, are he wants to be known as his. Ken Jones is at the Steinway to

ken Jones is at the Stelliway to support Richman with fuller ac-companiment coming from Eddie Oliver's ork. Don Alfredo's rumba group are again held over to pro-vide a Latin pulse to the dance music. Lee Zhito.

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EPPY PEARSON

Sincerely,

A. "Bimbo" Giuntoli

THANKS "BIMBO" **OPENING SEPT. 22** NIXON'S CAFE. PITTSBURGH, PA. ASSISTED BY "PRINCESS PAT" Plays the Tune That's on Your Mind "Valdo and Princess Pat Startle" -WALTER WINCHELL Paramount Bldg., New York Management: EDDIE SMITH AGENCY, NEW YORK

Florentine Gardens, Hollywood (Wednesday, September 10)

Capacity, 100. Price policy, no cover or minimum. Owner-manager-producer, Frank Bruni. Publicity, Rose Joseph. Maitre d'hotel, Jack Erdman. Booking policy, non-exclusive. Shows at 9:30 and midnight. Es-timated budget this show, \$9,000. Estimated budget last show, \$6,500.

Nostalgia hangs heavily over the house as the "last of the red hot mamas" comes on to do her stuff. Sophie Tucker brings down the house as she turns back the showhi the house with oldies. And cheers rock the rafters as she dishes out the new comedy routines. But whether it be comedy routines. But whether it be an oldtimer or something new and spicy, its the same old Sophie Tucker who for 40 years held the top rung on the entertainment ladder. Again supported by Ted Shapiro at the piano, she rolls out the double en-tendres in a zestful manner that has 'em rolling in the aisles. With N. T. G. (Niles Thor Gran-lund) emseeing, current revue is kept at high pace from the start. Show opens with a production number by

lund) emseeing, current revue is kept at high pace from the start. Show opens with a production number by the line (18), *Paging Mr. Gallup*, with Denise as featured dancer. Here as in the other numbers, gals are teactorium attinged and accurate their tastefully attired and execute their routines capably. Terp duo, Grace Poggi and Igor, are particularly strong on lifts and fast spins. Vocalist Larry Marvin possesses a strong set of pipes that bear a remarkable resemblance to Al Jolson. His voice quality and singing style is, as a matter of fact, too close to Jolson's to be of credit to the lad since many are inclined to feel that he is merely imitating the original. Femmes seem to go for him, tho. Comic Paul Regan builds from a

slow start to a fast and furious wind-up with the gags rolling at high up with the gags rolling at high speed. His opening is slowed up by routine impersonations of Claude Raines, Fred Allen, Peter Lorre, etc. And while he proves himself quite capable on this score as mimic, too much of it has been heard before. Biggest hand comes for his rapid-fire routines fire routines.

Chuck Gould ork backs the various acts, as well as supplying music for the dance-minded ringsiders. *Lee Zhito.* 

#### Cafe Society Uptown, New York

(Tuesday, September 9)

Capacity, 300. Shows at 9:30 and 12:30. Price, \$3.50 minimum. Owner-operator, Bar-ney Josephson; booker, non-exclusive; pub-licity, Marvin Kohn-Tibel Nard. Estimated budget for current show, \$2,500.

Lucienne Boyer closed way ahead early this summer; she opened just as big with the fall season. The blue-clad chanteuse, working with Abbey Albert's group (guitar, fiddle, bass, accordion, piano) with violinist Franck Pourcel conducting, teed off with a couple of fairish French tunes which didn't seem to register but hit with a couple of fairish French turies which didn't seem to register, but hit home with her familiar Je N'en Con-nais Pas La Fin (I Don't Know the Ending). In this one she displayed warmth and richness that one could feel the audience take to at once. The fact that the customers eagerly came in on the humming when recame in on the humming when requested was proof. Gal's ginmick of a hidden mike in

a bouquet of flowers was as effective as the last time around. It permitted as the last time around. It permitted her to stroll and play to ringsiders who relished it immensely. Singer also did an English song, Love Is Love, getting chuckles time and again. A quick costume change for a period number also hit beautifully. Gao Gurgel's rumba quartet did the Latin sessions in okay style. Bill Smith.

La Martinique, New York (Wednesday, September 10)

Capacity, 373. Price, \$3.50 minimum. Op-erators, Dario and Jimmy Vernon. Booking policy, non-exclusive. Publicity, Frank Law. Shows at 10:30 and 12:30. Estimated budget \$4.500

It takes courage and imagination to get away from the conventional cafe show pattern. Dario showed both when he put on his present show. It's too bad that neither the production nor the acts were strong enough to give it heft. Opening night gremlins also got their licks in. Cues were way off. Lights weren't hanwere way off. Lights weren't han-dled too well and even the playback recording machine to which the dance team Gae and Hamilton worked was all fouled up. Over it all, Dario ran around trying to get the show straightened and finding, tables for disgruntled customers.

The pattern of the show is based on what is reported to be a success-ful formula used by a Parisian cafe which apparently calls for an inti-mate room and soft lights. It also is mate room and soft lights. It also is intended to attract a different clien-tele. Big thing in the Martinique is Nicola Matthey and His Royal Tziganes carrying 14 strings and a cymbalon. The gang huddled on the floor and played beautifully. There was no doubt that they could cross those bows. Appearance, however, didn't help them. They wore white Eton-styled jackets with military collars when tux or tails were indi-cated. In Paris, such groups wander cated. In Paris, such groups wander between tables and when all of them play the same tune it is probably quite something. At the Martinique the waiters couldn't get thru, let alone fiddlers, so all it meant was 14 guys jammed on the dance floor with only a handful of customers paying ottention attention.

#### **Rumba Outfit Registers**

Rumba Outili Registers But if the gypsy band didn't regis-ter, the rumba outfit, Maya's, was right on the ball. Every time they started, the floor jammed up. Boy singer, unbilled, with Maya's band showed a very pleasant voice and could do okay as a single.

First act on, announced as the "star of St. Louis Woman," was Ruby Hill. Gal sings a fair song, making a little like Lena Horne. Routine, however, left much to be desired. Started with Careless Love, with her Started with Careless Love, with her coach, Al Siegel on the piano, and ended with dual French-English Never Go. For latter she had Michel Emer, the French composer and author of the song at the piano. For the Callic wasse, canary used a lead the Gallic verses, canary used a lead sheet to read from and the gypsy fiddlers came out to back her up. The number was lovely, but not for Miss Hill.

Miss Hill. Dance team of Nadine Gae and Peter Hamilton with their interpre-tive ballet which included modern blues, spiritual and period stuff, are extremely skillfull. They are pri-marily concert performers who re-guire undivided attention. They didn't get it here, so they didn't reg-ister ister.

Aimee Valreze, French singer, closed the show and meant even less than the previous performance. Gal, a redhead, didn't look too good, and a reanead, didn't look too good, and her French warbling, all in the same slow tempo, did little to get things speeded up. Her one English num-ber, All of a Sudden My Heart Sings, was mispronounced so badly it got titters instead of attention.



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#### Blue Angel, New York (Thursday, September 4)

Capacity, 150. Prices, \$3.50-\$4.50 minimum. Owner-operators, Herbert Jacoby-Max Gordon; bookers, non-exclusive; publicity, Ed Weiner. Estimated cost present show, \$2,500.

Reopening of small East Side room jammed it to the doors. Outer bar did a big biz from customers waiting to get into the main room.

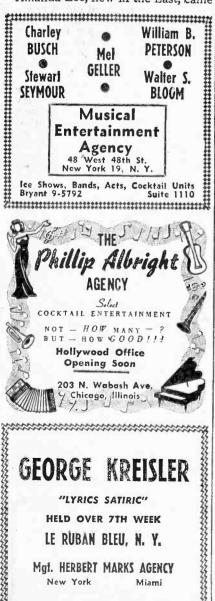
Show itself was on par with pre-vious bills here. The use of smart talent, rather than name talent has proven successful, and from a cus-tomer viewpoint eminently satisfactory

Alice Pearce, back on a return date, was the same unpredictable mad comedienne. Her routines, mad comedienne. Her routines, bouncyish, bubblish affairs, salted down with bits of business, pulled some of the heftiest yocks heard in a long time.

#### Phil Gordon

Phil Gordon Phil Gordon, the fresh looking crew-cut kid, also doing a return date, is a far cry from the scared looking youngster who opened here two seasons ago. He still has that Southern drawl, but with it he's added a platform polish that heightens bis infectious personality and new his infectious personality and now makes him a real seller. Gordon's voice isn't distinguished, but it's pleasant. With his piano playing, in-cidentally of a high order, he had them in his hands, winding up with

them in his hands, winding up with a terrific mitt. The Three Flames, guitar, bass and piano, are a hot jazz outfit with stress on blue lyrics plus comedy. Lads don't depend too much on their music; it's their voices and chatter that sell them. Material isn't exactly smart as measured by club's usual smart as measured by club's usual standard, but because it was dif-ferent, it hit home getting plenty of sock laughs. Amanda Lee, new in the East, came



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## **Tease** Time

CARACAS, Venezuela, Sept. 13.—Susana Montes girl show, billed for the El Pinar Theater recently, was given the "no show" sign by the federal dis-"no trict censor board, which viewed a special show for the board and a special show for the board and the press. The board said the so-called artistic poses by the girls were not for the family trade. The newspapers played up the story with pictures and three days later the censor board was overruled by the federal district government itself. Miss Montes said that there was nothing immoral about her show, and that it had appeared in the and that it had appeared in the principal cities of South Amer-ica. Show has "Standing Room Only" sign out early.

in with some tricky production light-ing and bits of business. Gal, an ing and bits of business. Gal, an attractive brunette, comes on a black stage with only her lit cigarette visible. Spot hits her and she is seen using a cigarette holder making like a veddy, veddy tired sophisticate. Miss Lee ought to know that her takeoff, apparently meant to be genuine, is way off the mark. Our blase society gals no longer act that way. If she wants to give that im-pression she might try a pair of those gold rimmed specs instead of that gold rimmed specs instead of that Theda Bara-ish ciggie holder. Voice, while only fair, got attention because of material. With proper selling the gal can become quite a personality. Ellis Larkin Trio did nicely for the hulls. Bill Smith.

## COPACABANA, N. Y.

(Continued from opposite page) this time for their Peabody, and wound up with two call-backs. Team's quick short stops are still its trade-mark and were done beautifully.

Georgie Tapps worked in two spots,

Georgie Tapps worked in two spots, the production and as a single. In the first he was merely on the floor. In his own spot he did quite well. His ballet taps interspersed with modern dances, all backed by some wonderful arrangements, pulled nice mitting. Clark Dennis, round-faced tenor, has quite a rep which dates back for years. But rep didn't mean anything here. He started poorly, but gained confidence as he went along. Oddly enough it was oldies like *Linger Awhile*, etc., which got attention. Clark hits his high notes quite cleanly enough it was oldies like *Linger Awhile*, etc., which got attention. Clark hits his high notes quite cleanly and phrases exceptionally well. On another bill, or perhaps in another spot, he'd be a standout. Here he was just another boy singer on the Joe E. Lewis show.

#### Leila Ernst

Leila Ernst, production girl singer, looked good, but her singing wasn't anything to highlight or give empha-sis to the score. Incidental music and lyrics by Steve Norton and Chip Stanley (who sound like pseudonymns for a couple of other guys) were spotty. I'm in Love With a Lepre-chaun didn't mean anything except as a puff for Finian's Rainbow. Their Guy With the Polka Dotted Tie, how-

ever, has the earmarks of a hit tune. The Douglas Coudy productions called for an opening in Scotch cos-tumes (by Billy Livingston), for the Leprechaun number and period gowns for the middle number. Latter started with a Vinnese waltz and segued into Gone Are the Days, which had considerable charm. The last production wasn't put on. Too close

production wash t put defined a moderful to 4 a.m. Michael Durso did a wonderful show-cutting job. Production back-ing was extremely skilful and dance support was everything Mario and Floria and Tapps wanted it to be. Fernando Alvares did the rumba ses-sions. Bill Smith.

**Vivien Garry Trio** Wednesday, Aug At The Onyx, New York

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Playing the bass in sensitive twobeat rock, Vivien Garry fronted this light-jazz combo in a series of swings, ballads and tor<u>ches</u> with good listen-ing and fine dancing arrangements. Backed up by Teddy Kaye at the 88 and Arv Garrison on the electric guitar, the lass sang in a low husky voice and sold with cute little per-sonality getures sonality gestures.

in louder key, went over best in this little room which is competing with little room which is competing with hot-licks from neighboring open-doored bistros. Strange Infatuation, as warbled by the fem got lost in the din, but ringside tables came up with a good hand. The novelty arrange-ment of If at First You Don't Suc-ceed, with three voices, was clever and scored big to set up Just One of Those Things, which caught the bar lushes' attention for an all-out mitt. The trio has talent and capable, well-planned arrangements, but is

well-planned arrangements, but is definitely out of place in a noisy bar. This low playing and singing group might be an asset to a sophisticated, low-toned cocktail lounge in the \$300-\$350 budget class. The outfit has 18 recordings under its belt, with the most recent, *Five Guitars in* Flight, featuring Arv Garrison strumming all five instruments, the most prominent. Jack Tell.

Lorraine Rognan Returning NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Lorraine Rognan (Mrs. Matty Rosen) is going back into the biz after a year's lay-off. Her first date will be on the Frank Sinatra show at the Capitol, November 13. She will work with her straight man, Pat McCaffery, and will do bits with Sinatra if present will do bits with Sinatra if present discussion jells.



#### **NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE**

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**NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE** 

**Capitol**, New York (Thursday, September 11)

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Capacity 4,627. Price range, 70 cents-\$1.50. Five shows daily. House booker, Sidney Pier-mont. Show played by Enric Madriguera ork.

New flesher is pleasant and has considerable entertainment value, tho marquee doesn't carry a heavy draft. There may be a little too much singing on the bill, but there is enough comedy in the singing to make the show move nicely.

Extra added billing this time goes to Georgie Price, who just wound up at Bill Miller's Riviera. He did a fine job of work there and is duplicating here to a different audience. Routine was the same, including takeoffs of Jessel, Cantor, Jolson and George M. Cohan. Price packs a tremendous wallop, showing stage-craft that bespeaks long experience. But this experience, dating back to mikeless stages, also hindered him. Time and again he wandered nim. Time and again he wandered away from the mike, making it difficult to hear him. Just the same, Price wound up with a show-stopping mitt, forcing him to come back for a graceful beg-off speech.

#### Luba Malina in Zippy Turn

Luba Malina, looking slinky in a grey off-the-shoulder gown, opened with Chi-Chi-Castenango and wound up with When I Auditioned for the up with when I Auditioned for the Harem. Gal bounced around with plenty of vigor, belting out each number to the back rows. Her sexy bits of business and her walk-off bits, at the end of each song, got the proper responses from the wolf trade.

The Arnauts, John and Rene, started off with their standard fiddle and echo routine, getting laughs right away. They built on it and added when they made with their love bird whistle act, walking off to big applause.

Enric Madriguera ork (six brass, six sax, three fiddles and five rhythm) six sax, three fiddles and five rhythm) was competent in backing the show and equally satisfactory in its own spot. Band's biggest number was Jack, Jack, calling for glee club effects plus the warbling of Patricia Gilmore, a male quartet and Peggy Marshall, canary. Ork's Latin tune medlew started off okay consisting of Marshall, canary. Ork's Latin tune medley started off okay, consisting of medley started off okay, consisting of samba, rumba, tango and bolero. It faded when it ended in *Feudin' 'n' Fightin'*, which is no Latin tune by any stretch of the imagination. His *Mexican Hat Song*, with audience coming in on hand claps, helped him out him out.

Patricia Gilmore (Mrs Madri guera) opened the show and teed off with a standard. Gal looked good and managed to draw her share of the hands.

Pic, Romance of Rosy Ridge. Bill Smith.

#### VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

Million Dollar, Los Angeles (Wednesday, September 10)

Capacity, 2,400. Prices, 55-98 cents. Four hows daily. House booker, Bill McElwain.

Duke Ellington fans found plenty to cheer about in the music maker's latest vaude stint. The Ellington brand of music and showmanship clicks with a house full of loyal fans, and the Duke sees to it that the cus-tomers get a most generous helping of Ellington faves. Arrangements are skillfully blended

Arrangements are skillfully blended to showcase individual sidemen and highlight Ellington's special styling. Opening with a hopped-up version of How High the Moon, the Duke follows with two novelties, The Moon and Jam a Bit, both with a virile beat which cash customers quickly pick up and keep time with the band. Duke's piano solo, Happy Go Lucky, builds slowly, climbing in tempo to a high pitch. As in all offerings, the spotlight falls easily on the Duke's broad shoulders.

Judging from solo stints, the side-men in the Ellington crew are an exceedingly versatile bunch. Johnny Hodges' alto sax solo flight on Day Dreams is a sweet and mellow offer-Dreams is a sweet and mellow offer-ing. Al Sears on tenor sax teams in an original couplet taggéd *Hia-watha*, while thrush Kay Davis war-bles a sister tune, *Minnehaha*. Ray Nance, the crew's comic, scores heavily with his vocals of Squeeze Me. Tyree Glenn's original vibraphone solo of Melancholy Baby also regis-ters. Featured crooner Al Hibbler is a terrific local fave, the mere men-tion of his name bringing cheers and whistles from the seat sitters. After a trio of tunes, including Little Brown Book, Summer Time and It's Monday Every Day, there was little doubt that the lad's popularity is richly deserved. His baritone voice is rich and loaded with popular appeal is a terrific local fave, the mere men-

Top supporting act was Mantan Moreland, back in showbiz after the untimely death last year of his part-ner, Carter. Moreland's new side-kick is Haywood Jones, with the kick is Haywood Jones, with the addition of lush looking Martina addition of lush looking Martina D'Arcy rounding out the act. More-land's familiar unfinished sentence routine remains a solid laugh getter. In addition, the gagster has added some new material to his routine which registers solidly. Team is funny, with sharp delivery and smoothness, and should have no trou-ble recouping lost popularity. Jessye Scott rounds out the bill with a song and dance routine. Warbling is fair, and hoofing good, but the gal's sales-manship builds act into a solid offer-ing.

ing. Biz, good; pic, Too Many Winners. Alan Fischler.

**Oriental**, Chicago (Thursday, September 11)

Capacity, 3,200. Prices, 95 cents straight. Five shows dally, six on week-ends. House booker, Charley Hogan. Show played by Carl Sand's house ork.

Art Stiegall, manager of this Loop house, is already getting estimates from plaster contractors to repair the havoc created by the slapstick antics of Olsen and Johnson, who are doing a one-week stand here, their first vaude stop locally in six years. Judg-ing from tight houses on the rainy opening day, their condensed legit laffacade should knock off a top gross if the weather gives them a break.

Their 60-minute effort is patterned directly along the lines of their legit revues, except that doing five a day makes it impossible for them to work out the terrific fun session they put on in legit houses before the curtains parted. Only defects that keep this show from being perfect for those who like their yocks at a rate of one a minute is a weak opener and closer. Right after the newsreel, house is blacked out and a stooge is spotted, carrying a huge palm in a flower pot among the rows of front seat payees. Closer is a rhythm vocal which gets a little shot in the arm from appearance of several stooges playing comedy instruments. This famous pair of comics have established such a rep for original zani-ness that some more sensational yockgetters should be inserted at the important opening and closing spots.

In between, the entire show clicks, be it slapstick bits or a standard vaude act, of which the revue boasts several. Ole and Chick live up to their rep, spearheading a cast of funmakers that includes deadpan J. C. Olsen, Ole's son, and attractive, blond June Johnson, Chick's daughter. Bits of business like the rice falling Bits of business like the fice falling from the ceiling during a mystery bit in which a voice warns that spiders are loose in the house; the gift giveaway, with Olsen acting the part of strolling quizmaster among the audience, giving out prizes that rival those of radio question shows, and the entire torrid pace of the how make this an ideal nackage for

and the entire torrid pace of the show make this an ideal package for any vaude house. Olsen and Johnson have sur-rounded themselves with a capable set of supporting acts. Frank Cook's guitar strumming while he plays the Poet and Peasant Overture without his mitte her colling a small here. his mitts by rolling a small har-monica in his mouth, and the Pitchmonica in his mouth, and the Pitch-men, doing their standard kazoo imi-tations, register nicely. The Pitch-men did their best job locally in three years, for they were spotted in the right kind of revue, while previously they worked in staid hotel rooms. For contrast to the continuous comedy pitch while the OJ duo is working, Mikel Edwards contributed two okay baritone vocals. Leonard Sues did a soaring trumpet contributed two okay baritone vocals. Leonard Sues did a soaring trumpet specialty; Gloria Gilbert, with a much improved toe-terp routine, im-pressed with her sustained one-foot spins, and Eddie Franklin notched spins, and Eddie Franklin notched two hefty mitts with an Irish stand-ard and his rhythm closer. The 16 Roxyettes worked three numbers, only one of which could qualify as stacking up with the high caliber of the rest of the show. It was the standard ball-rolling production, with chorines doing parading atop rubber balls. Bit was dressed up plenty by some tippy ball riding by Pat Basso. Johnny Sippel.

"The Country Plumber," Duke Kimball, opens at the Hotel Shoreham, Washington, September 29. . . . The Jack Grant Trio plays the St. Nicholas Hotel, Springfield, Ill., Sep-tember 15. . . Manor and Mignon go to the Mount Royal, Montreal, October 10.

Radio City Music Hall, New York

(Thursday, September 11)

Capacity, 6,200. Prirè range, 89 cents-\$2.40. Four shows daily. Five Saturdays. House booker, Leon Leonidoff. Show played by house ork, directed by Alexander Smallens.

New show is cut to order for the Latin and the longhair trade, with Latin and the longhair trade, with both sections packed with color and both sections packed with color and action. Two parts are broken up, with the Salici puppets doing their standard routines in the middle on a miniature stage. Setting was so life-like that the illusion of reality was almost unbelievable. The four-per-son puppeteers wound up with a ter-rific mitt with their ciggie-smoking doll getting a good share of it.

Production started with silhouetted indoor cafe scene spotting Esther Borja, soprano doing Siboney. Flats moved out to full stage showing 12 guys on stage making with the maraccas and glee club effects. Brun-hilde Roque with six lads, all bare-Brunfooted came on next for a torrid La-tin dance. The Rockettes, who fol-lowed, stayed in the Latin motif with their precision stuff getting the usual

big returns. Second part of the show was a ballet based on Gounod's Faust. Lawrence Nickol, bass, made an ac-ceptable Mephisto while Paul Franke, tenor, was adequate in his role. Best applause winners in this number were Patricia Bowman and Rudolf Kroeller, whose pirouettes and entrechats were as graceful as they were pleasing. The ballet ensemble starting off with moonglow costumes, dif-ficult but well-handled routines. The steam curtain finale got a tremendous hand.

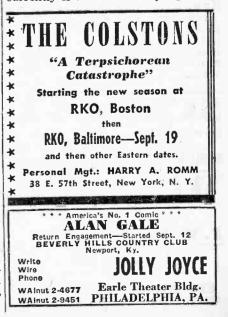
Pic, Down to Earth. Bill Smith.

## Lucienne Boyer, **Jacques Peals Set** For Concert Tour

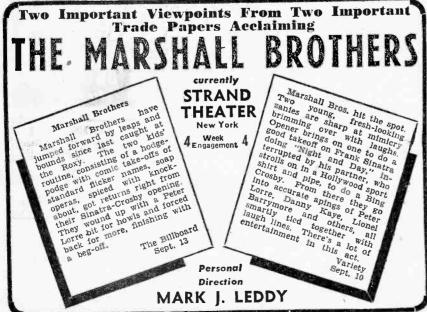
NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Lucienne Boyer and her husband, Jacques Peals, will make a concert tour of the U.S., Canada and Mexico, similar the U. S., Canada and Mexico, similar to the one Maurice Chevalier played, under Arthur Lesser sponsorship. Boyer-Peals will cover the same itinerary as Chevalier. They will spend 18 days in Can-ada, starting November 24, then swing southward to New Orleans for a week and Mexico for four weeks.

At the end of January, they will return to the U. S. and cover most of the big cities. Lesser hopes to bring them into the Henry Miller Theater here, where the Lip played, and feature them in a variety show, changing the show every four weeks. John LaTouche is writing special

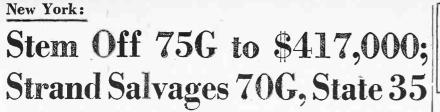
numbers for Boyer, including one to be called Whisper Low. Miss Boyer currently is at Cafe Society Uptown.



Johnny Sippel. Plumber,"



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NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The all-ver six-house flesh-flicker gross on roadway this week was \$417,000, a over six-house flesh-flicker gross on Broadway this week was \$417,000, a 75G drop from the previous week's \$492,500. New bills at the Strand and State showed gains, while three others began to feel the effect of lengthy runs. The Capitol, way below par following a dismal opener, had to make a quick pull and bring in a new line-up after a two-week session. Additional factors contributing to the slump were the post-Labor Day slump, the closing weeks of the base-

slump, the crossing ball season and the return of racing to the New York area. The Strand (2,700 seats; average \$40,000) couped a bonanza \$70,000 for the preem of Victor Lombardo and ork, Borrah Minevitch, the Marshall Brothers, Dorothy Keller and Dark Passage. Loew's State (3,500 seats; average \$25,000) hit the jackpot with a near-capacity \$35,000 with Ed Sullivan, the Harvest Moon dance winners, Monica Lewis, Paul Winchell, the Roberts

Harvest Moon dance winners, Monica Lewis, Paul Winchell, the Roberts Sisters and White, and Black Gold. The show is being held another week, Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$72,-000) hit the skids with a \$95,700 two-week total, the takes being \$54,-100 and \$41,600 respectively for Bill Robinson, Lew Parker, Art Mooney and his ork, Eeverly Tyler and Song of the Thin Man. New show (re-viewed this issue) has Enric Mad-riguera and his ork, Georgie Price, Luba Malina, John and Rene Arnaut Luba Malina, John and Rene Arnaut and The Romance of Rosy Ridge.

Paramount (3,654 seats; average \$85,000) dipped to \$77,000 for the fifth stanza, chalking up \$478,000 for

### **Boston: Maxies Draw Fair 30G** at the Boston

BOSTON, Sept. 13 .- The heat wave BOSTON, Sept. 13.—The heat wave played a return date in the Hub this week to dip grosses generally. The Boston sagged slightly for the week ended Wednesday (10), draw-ing only a fair \$30,000 to the box of-fice but still held up better than the other straight pic houses. Maxie Rosenbloom Max Baer and the Merry Rosenbloom, Max Baer and the Merry Macs headed good stageshow. Pic. Kiss of Death.

The current show headed by Ted Weems and his ork started slowly, with the heat as a handicap, but picked up nicely the second day to promise another fair week. Pic, Kiss of Death.

#### Krupa Fair 20G at Mil \$

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 13.—Gene Krupa chalked up a mildish \$19,500 last week, sharing the stage with Sara Vaughn and West and D'Arco at the Million Dollar. Pic was Wife Wanted.



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Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average \$100,000) missed the million mark by 20G for the seven-weeker, taking \$108,000 in the final stanza and a total of \$980,500 with Paul Haakon, Marjorie Williamson, Earl Covert, Ken Davidson and Frank Paris. Pic, The Bachelor and the Bobby-Soxer. New show (reviewed this issue) has Patricia Bowman, Ru-dolf Kroeller, Esther Borja, Brun-hilda Roque, Salici Puppets and Down to Earth.

hilda Roque, Salici Puppets and Down to Earth. Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$85,000) did a handy \$85,500 for the third round, bringing the total so far to \$322,500 for Jack Haley, Ella Logan, Jerry Murad, Victoria Cordova and Mother Wore Tights.

# **Hotel Spots** As Showcase For TV, Pix

#### **Tex McCrary Dickering**

(Continued from page 3) be telecast or aired from the floor, and later possibly be filmed in a studio.

The deal, still in the talking stage, would involve developing acts to suit the type of room. The production of marketable video packages would be the major aim, with the film and radio angles as sidelines.

radio angles as sidelines. McCrary plans to ask the hotels for exclusive booking rights for a year with options. Discussions with several ops already are under way and reportedly the Bonifaces are in-terested. Biggest hurdle yet to be overcome is getting the co-operation of the entertainment unions almost of the entertainment unions, almost all of whom will come into the picture in one way or another if the deal goes thru. McCrary has contacted the various unions and is making some headway, but progress is slow be-cause the unions have not yet defined their television policies and almost every point being discussed is new,

every point being discussed is new, which means that any decisions will set precedents. McCrary refused to mention what hotels are talking with him. Trade, however, is doubtful that he can get exclusive nods, tho it is possible that one of his shows would go in on a straight sale. straight sale.

## Four Units of 35 **Planned on Coast**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- Four 35people stage units, with 10-12 girl lines, stage bands and fair radio names will be produced for the com-ing season by Bill Arms, former general manager of the Wilbur Cushman Circuit. The first, *Gems of 1948*, due about November 15, will open in Salt Cushman Lake City, Phoenix or the Northwest area. Thereafter, five weeks apart, will follow Havana Holiday, A Night in Avalon and one more.

Arms, who claims to be the orig-inal West Coast unit producers, states he has built a new plant to prepare scenery and stage equipment. His plans run to the 1949 season in which he intends to put out new units every two weeks to cover the West Coast and as far east as practical and as far east as practical.



started in talent hungry cities, where any live entertainment has come previously in the form of one-night concerts or one-night ballroom stands, with once-a-year one-day stands by orks and package shows in the towns' theaters. As a result, ops have been working variety shows, utilizing two or three low-salaried novelty or variety acts, plus a four to seven-piece road band. In many of these spots, cocktail combos, which fit into the vaude-type classification and can do a spot in the show as well as play a show, have been used to advantage.

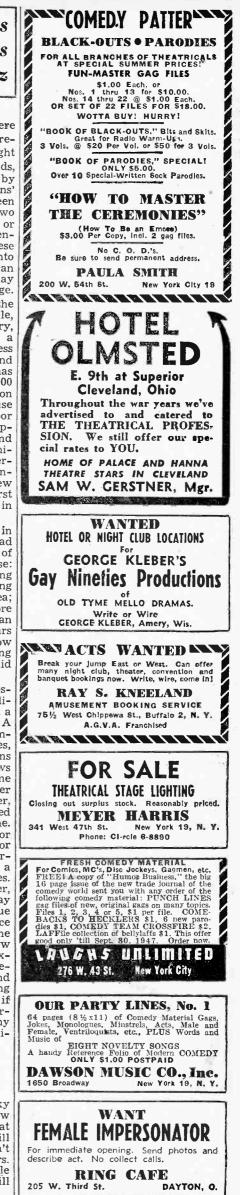
Another experimental spot, the renovated Plantation, Nashville, huge 1,900-capacity ballroom-nitery, which has been open just about a year now, reports its biggest business during the latter parts of Jule during the latter part of July and August. Op Pearl Davenport has been utilizing a \$2,500 to \$4,000 weekly budget. She has worked on weekly budget. She has worked on a \$1.20 admission per person, because spot has a huge dance floor which makes it possible to op-erate on semi-ballroom basis and presents floorshows, featuring seminame headliners and three lower-priced supporting acts, at regular intervals during the evening. The new Plantation attempt marks the first real try at big-time cabaret biz in the Nashville area.

These newly created niteries in areas which heretofore have not had after-darkeries with any kind of floorshows, are paying off because: (1) The urban residents are flocking to the spots in droves, following years without a nitery in the area; (2) rural customers, who are more heavily loaded than their urban neighbors because of the war years which kept them on farms, are now doing plenty of amusement spending with the hard-earned bucks they laid away during the war.

Biz in the larger cities full of es-tablished spots has been just mediocre, with the recent heat putting a real dent into those spots' grosses. A number of ops, too, have been ham-pered from expanding show policies, when new political administrations came in late last year, put the screws on gambling, which supported some of these clubs, and six months after when ops thought the heat was over the gambling suppression continued and has held on until the present time. Lou Cohan, exclusive skedder for the Tip-Top, Milwaukee's only major nitery, reports that the club is cur-rently making a try for biz with a string of upped-talent budget revues. Utilizing Paul Gray as headliner, the Beer City bistro follows Gray the Beer City bistro follows Gray September 22, with the first ice revue ever used in a club there, Bruce Sheffer's package show, while the Lind Brothers headline the show starting October 13. Paul Marr, ex-clusive booker for the Lake Club, re-ports that Hugo Giovagnoli and Harold Henderson are continuing their beaut telent budget even if their heavy talent budget, even if biz has dropped off. Spot is cur-rently using the Charioteers, Johnny O'Brien and Johnny Gilbert's seminame band

#### Veloz-Yolanda for Roxy

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The Roxy will have a 25-minute stageshow when it brings in Forever Amber at the end of October. The show will have Veloz and Yolanda, who haven't been seen in the East for two years. It is expected that the Milton Berle show which starts September 24 will stay on until Amber comes in.



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STRAWHAT RECORD SET IN

Best Summer Yet; Package Units Decline

#### 1948 Outlook Encouraging

(Continued from page 3) the benefit of the experience that work would bring.

work would bring. The only real package this season was Edward Everett Horton in Springtime For Henry, a perennial money winner. Horton, however, has the advantage of a small company, the script having only four parts and costing about \$1,750 in addition to a cut off the top. All the others were partial packages which used one or more key name principals to bring in the shekels.

#### Partial Packages

Partial Packages Some of the units in the partial package classification include Gloria Swanson in Goose for the Gander, Conrad Nagel in The Petrified Forest, Zazu Pitts in The Late Christopher Bean; Fritzi Scheff, Zolya Talma and Estelle Winwood in Ladies In Retire-ment; Jane Cowl in The First Mrs. Fraser, and Lucille Ball in Dream Girl. Two shows in which former stars made comebacks were Yes, My Darling Daughter with Leatrice Joy and Too Many Husbands with Nancy Carroll. Both actresses proved good b.o, draws.

b.o. draws. Joan of Lorraine and Glass Men-agerie were among other stalwart

scripts presented. The play that was done the most was Dear Ruth, with Dream Girl and Springtime For Henry following right Springtime For Henry following right behind. The latter also provided the most playing time for an actor, with Edward Everett Horton cashing in on the script. Many plays weren't released in time to be available to managers. Both Years Ago and Life With Father would have been strong attractions if the rights were on the market market.

market. Some new shows developed into partial packages. Ilka Chase in Laughter From a Cloud, The Hart-mans in Heaven Help the Angels (skedded for Broadway this season) and Faye Emerson in Profile were wiginals originals.

#### New Acting Talent

New Acting Talent Excellent new acting material for the fall season was developed at the strawhatters. Agents returned high on the thesping talents of Robert Carricart, Richard Myers, Elaine Stritch, Ann Barlow, Dan Barton, Dick Durstin, Bill Erwin and Louise Snider

Dick Durstin, Bill Erwin and Louise Snider. Two among the many new stock companies were outstanding for their excellent management and exception-al biz—Princeton, N. J., with Herbert Kenwith and Harold Kennedy pro-ducing, and Wellesley Mass., with Elton Winkler at the helm. Instead of restricting itself to the East as in the past, the silo circuit is extending its scope. California had several companies, and Minne-sota, Illinois and Michigan a few. This extension may mean that Holly-wood personalities will be able to trek east with their packages in the warm months. warm months.

The summer season wound up as the biggest and best in legit's history with all signs pointing to an even better one in 1948.

## **BROADWAY** SHOWLOG Performances Thru September 13, 1947

Perfs.

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#### Dramas

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A Young Man's Fancy	4-29, '47	159
(Plymouth) All My Sons	1-29, '47	262
(Coronet) Born Yesterday		680
(Lyceum) Happy Birthday (Broadhurst)	10-32, '46	360
Harvey	11- 1, '44	1,214
(48th Street) John Loves Mary (Music Box)	2- 4, '47	255
Magic Touch, The	9- 3, '47	13
(International) Voice of the Turtle, The. (Morosco)		1,431

DRAMA REVIVALS Burlesque ..... 12-25, '46 (Belasco)

#### Musicals

Annie, Get Your Gun (Imperial)	5-16,	'46	
Brigadoon	3-13,	•47	
Call Me Mister	4-18,	'46	
Finian's Rainbow	1-10,	'47	
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#### MUSICAL REVIVALS

Sweethearts ..... 1-21. '47 (Shubert) ICE SHOWS Icetime of 1948..... 5-23, '47 (Center) 143

CLOSED State of the Union .... 11-15, '45 765 (Hudson) Saturday (13)

## **Revenue Dept. Nixes** Noel Coward Claim For 37G Tax Refund

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The Col-lector of Internal Revenue has filed a formal answer with U. S. District Court, Southern District of New York, Court, Southern District of New York, denying Noel Coward's right to have \$37,000 in income tax refunded to him. Money was paid as tax by Coward on the sale of his collection of one-act plays, Tonight at 8:30, bought by Loew's, Inc., for \$80,000. The scripter also was nicked for 47G in tax by the British government and, after he had bought the play-lets back from the film company for the original price, seems to have lost 80G on the deal. Coward's complaint points out that

Coward's complaint points out that Coward's complaint points out that he should have received credit for the tax he paid the British govern-ment. The irony is that if he had waited until the tax treaty was signed with the United Kingdom last year he would not have had to pay the U. S. a red cent.

#### Liebling Wins Commish

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Agents' dispute between William Liebling and Music Corporation of America (MCA) over commission for placing Karl Malden in Street Car Called Desire was settled in favor of Liebling by execs at Equity. The union found that Liebling was responsible for starting the negotiations to get Malden the role. Later, Edith Van Cleve, casting head at MCA, handled the actor for a movie and got into the deal.

## Scene Designers "Allegro" Poses Denied Hike by **Theater** League

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The re-fusal of the League of New York Theaters in its Thursday (11) meet-ing to offer the designers in the scenic artists' union any sort of a compromise in their negotiation for fees may spell trouble for the Stem's producers. Designers asked \$1,000 for the first set and \$500 for each one thereafter. They are now getting \$500 for the first design and \$250 thereafter. thereafter.

Executive committee of the union meets October 6 to consider action on the League's stand-pat offer and may decide to by-pass the producers may decide to by-pass the producers association and sign contracts for their new fee with individual man-agers. Designers' position is that they haven't received a raise in rates for the last 18 years. However, the trade points out that name set sketchers receive much above the 1G figure and the hike may be harm-ful to younger designers getting ful to younger designers getting started.

## **Equity Council Votes To Observe T-H Law Pledge**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—With a dis-senting vote of only three members —Philip Loeb, Sam Jaffe and Edith Atwater—the Actors' Equity Council voted Tuesday (9) to require coun-cil members, officers and employees to sign a pledge stating that they belong to neither Fascist nor Com-munist outfits. The pledge is now being worked out by John Kennedy and Elliot Nugent, who proposed the resolution for next Tuesday's meet-ing and style themselves members of the "militant middle," a faction that intends to see that the union does not deviate too much either to the right or left. the right or left.

None of the three members stated that they wouldn't sign the pledge but felt that Equity was infringing upon their constitutional rights, especially since the union's constitution has already stated for six years that officers having either Fascist or Com-munist affiliation cannot hold office. The resolution was a direct result of the Taft-Hartley law, which re-quires a statement from every labor outfit that wants to work with the National Labor Relations Board that its officers are tinged with neither the extreme right nor the extreme left brush. Equity holds its quarterly meeting next Friday (19) and fire-works are expected.

#### "Kiss and Tell" Road Tour For Upstate New York

SYRACUSE, Sept. 13.—Walter R. Davis, operator of the Skeanateles Summer Stock Company located near here, will take *Kiss and Tell* for a 10-week road tour in Upstate New York. Davis has three weeks of bookings already.

The strawhat manager plans to use members of the company that worked with him this summer. Also in the acting troupe will be his wife, Vir-ginia, and two of his sons.

## **Problem for Theater Guild**

BOSTON, Sept. 13.—Arriving at the Colonial Theater here on Mon-day (8) after its first showing in New Haven, Conn., last week, the new Richard Rodgers-Oscar Hammer-stein II production, Allegro, offered by the Theater Guild, shapes up as a show whose Broadway chances are till anybody's guess

still anybody's guess. The Guild appears to have some-The Guild appears to have some-thing of a problem on its hands, for this musical play is quite outside the realm of the usual musicomedy. Its theme is relatively serious. Its music is pretty nearly an integral score, not a collection of obvious hit tunes. There's not a "name" in the cast, yet there are many who will be in lights one day. Last, and perhaps most important, in production technique *Allegro* is an experiment and a suc-cessful one since the fluid scenic cessful one since the fluid scenic scheme devised by Jo Mielziner and various hands is the outstanding fea-

various hands is the outstanding fea-ture of the show. Whether or not Allegro is going to draw crowds depends upon the ticket buyer's feeling toward a light music-drama which has no aspect of the girlie show. Altho Rodgers and Hammerstein must be given credit for a serious effort, their story is not a cignificant one for all the credit for a serious effort, their story is not a significant one for all the fuss made over it. Its theme, and a few touches of satire, amount to a mild sort of social comment. How-ever, it is not compelling enough to demand interest and the future of Allegro is almost unpredictable at this point this point.

#### Simple Story

Simple Story It is a very simple story: The life of Joseph Taylor Jr., son of a coun-try doctor, from his birth, thru col-lege and marriage, to success as a big city physician and his eventual renunciation of riches for the more satisfying comfort of doing good among people he knows. There is a touch of minor tragedy in his pretty wife, who becomes the mistress of his benefactor. If Allegro is a whooping success, it will be on the basis of the story's simple Interest, sentiment, romance, lofty ideals as expressed in the heartening moral victory of solid values over glitter and glamor, the sympathetic characters and a touch or two or humor. Actually, the story is

sympathetic characters and a touch or two or humor. Actually, the story is well-knit, in the fashion of a popular magazine fable. Production-wise, audiences may be drawn by the at-tractiveness of the principals, the diversion offered by the dances, the pleasant score, which contains a couple of potential Hit-Parade tunes, notably A Fellow Needs a Girl, We Have Nothing To Remember, You Were Never Away and the comedy numbers, Money Isn't Everything and The Gentleman Is a Dope. Shifting Theme

Shifting Theme Artistically, the major fault of ("Allegro" Poses Problem, opp. page)

## **On His Mind**

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13.-A preoccupied printer gummed up most of the opening night tickets for Kolb and Dill's High Cost of Loving current at the Geary. Yup: "High Cost of Living" Geary. Living."



#### THE BIG CHERRY (Opened Thursday, August 21) GATEWAY THEATER CLUB, LONDON

Thriller by Vera Larina. Presented by Actors' Theater Productions, Ltd. Produced by Olave Marsh. Stage manager, Jean Erskine. Scenery by Phil Wichelo.

The Gateway, one of the most en-terprising of London's experimental theaters, has done well in preeming this weird thriller by a young ex-Russian playwright. Even an im-possibly cramped stage did not pre-vent Peggy Laurence from giving a memorable performance. The play shows careful study of English middle class behavior. John Fabian as Peter Ferns, an effeminate outside observer giving a sort of run-ning commentary on the action de-

outside observer giving a sort of run-ning commentary on the action de-serves mention. Scenery is highly ef-fective, making use of the usual nondescript furniture to be found in English middle class homes. What gives the play its appeal is the re-current impact of madness in several of the characters engaged in most of the characters engaged in most common-place activities. The play common-place activities. The play looks certainly set for a westend showing.

#### Henry Guttmann.

#### ALLEGRO POSES PROBLEM

(Continued from opposite page) Allegro is its failure to settle on one Antegro is its failure to settle on one viewpoint, for it is sometimes satire (in a nifty dance sequence making good-humored fun of the contor-tions of the '20's), sometimes bitter (in the Yatata number, brutally pil-loring social cocktail parties), and sometimes pure sentiment as in most of the first act. However, its simple

of the first act. However, its simple virtues may outweigh the confusion. Whatever the fate of Allegro, it will go down in history as having in-troduced a baker's dozen of strong potential stars and for a production technique which is radical and wholly successful. There is no scenery at all, only various stage levels, permanent side flats, a semi-circular platform which moves back and forth across the front of the stage, fading one scene out and another in, occasional props and multiple stereoccasional props and multiple stere-optican projectors which flash scenes on a back screen, and lights, lights, lights. Allegro carries more lighting equipment than has even been seen before on a stage, and it is used with telling effect.

Dramatically, Allegro employs singing and speaking choruses (as in the classic Greek dramas both for comment upon the action and expression of the chief characters' thoughts), singers who dance, dancers who sing and principals who do everything. There is, to be sure, too much danc-ing. Some is intended to extend the action of the story, but frequently it either intrudes or obscures.

#### **Complicated Production**

Allegro is an enormously compli-cated production, yet Agnes De Mille, cated production, yet Agnes De Mille, who has done brilliant work in the past, has surpassed herself in in-tegrating the whole thing with skill and imagination. She has been fortu-nate in the people she has worked with, from technicians to the last bit player on the stage. John Battles does a fine job developing the charac-ter of Joe Taylor Jr. Roberta Jonay is a slick little number who can sing, dance and act convincingly as Joe's wife. Annamary Dickey and Wil-liam Ching are solid as his parents. John Conte furnishes a sardonic note

## **Opera Plunges** Fete 121G in Red At Edinburgh

LONDON, Sept. 13.—The Edin-burgh Festival of Music and Drama expected to involve its sponsors in loss of some 30,000 pounds (about a loss of \$120,900). This will be made good guarantee fund of 60,000 from a guarantee fund of 60,000 pounds put up in equal parts by pri-vate individuals, the government-supported Arts Council and the Edin-burgh corporation. This loss was inburgh corporation. This loss was in-curred mainly by the opera productions during the festival. Altho the two performances, Figaro

and Macbeth, have played for three weeks each time to tightly packed houses, it was clear from the start that production costs could not be recovered from box-office earnings. recovered from box-office earnings. Both operas—with casts of top inter-national composition—had 22 re-hearsals, covering five weeks. Also there were extensive structural im-provements and alterations in the Kings' Theater. Some 100 spotlights were among the implements sent from Glyndebourne near London to Edinburgh for the occasion Edinburgh for the occasion.

#### It's a Long Haul

It's a Long Haul Apart from opera the other events of the festival were successful from a business angle and there is no doubt that the festival will be continued on a similar large scale. It is recalled that the Salzburg festivals (on which the Edinburgh events are closely fashioned) took more than 10 years to get really established and almost as long until foreign visitors exceeded the number of Austrian ones. For the first Edinburgh festival this year the number of Austrian ones. For the first Edinburgh festival this year 240,000 tickets were printed, includ-ing concerts, legit, ballet, opera and chamber music. It is expected that when the festival ends this week 90 per cent of these will have been sold. The proportion sold abroad is not reak one d to be yeary big and about 70 reckoned to be very big and about 70 per cent of the guests probably were Scots and Englishmen. Anyway, festival director Rudolf Bing is convinced that the proportion of overseas visitors will rise, from year to year. He estimates that the tickets were used by about 85,000 people.

as Joe's best friend. Lisa Kirk is as Joe's best friend. Lisa Kirk is fresh as a breeze as his nurse. Tops among the dancers, all first-rate, are Ray Harrison, Miss Jonay; Anna-belle Lyon, who has several smart comedy bits, and Kathryn Lee. Because Allegro is something new in the way of musical entertainments, it may have hard going at first-at

it may have hard going at first--at least, unless it is accepted for what it is, an experiment, a relatively serious, appealing story told with all the craft the theater has to offer

Bill Riley.

## ROUTES **Dramatic and Musical**

Alice in Wonderland (Opera House) Boston, Aliegro (Colonial) Boston. Benchwarmer (Shubert-Lafayette) Detroit. Big People (Lyric) Bridgeport, Conn., 19-20. Blackstone (Royal Alexandra) Toronto. Born Yesterday (Erlanger) Chicago. Call Me Mister (Blackstone) Chicago. Carousel (Shubert) Chicago. Chocolate Soldier (Rajah) Reading, Pa., 19-20. Command (McCarter) Princeton, N. J., 19-20.

Jonmand (Micharlet) New Haven, Conn., 17-20.
Jatal Weakness. with Ina Claire (Erlanger) Buffalo, 15-18; (And.) Rochester, 19-20.
Iarvey (Cass) Detroit.
High Button Shoes (Forrest) Philadelphia, Iow I Wonder (Wilbur) Boston.
Remember Mama (Biltmore) Los Angeles.
Gotta Get Out (Wahut St.) Philadelphia, addy Windermere's Fan (National) Washing-ton.

Lady Windermere's Fan (National) Washing-ton. Make Mine Music (Shubert) Philadelphia. Oklahoma (Horace Bushnell Aud.) Hartford,

Oklahoma (Horace Bushnell Aud.) Hartford, Conn.
Private Lives (Harris) Chicago.
Red Mill, The (Ford's) Baltimore.
State of the Union (Playhouse) Wilmington, Del., 19-20.
This Time Tomorrow (Victory) Providence, 19-20.
Voice of the Turtle (Lyric) Richmond, Va., 15-17; (Academy) Roanoke 18; (Memorial Aud.) Louisville 20.

#### **OUT-OF-TOWN OPENINGS**

#### BENCHWARMER (Reviewed September 7, 1947) SHUBERT LAFAYETTE THEATER, DETROIT

A new play by Paul Gerard Smith. Staged by Charles Horrell. Setting by Frederick Fox. Presented by Alex Yokel and Joel W. Schenker.

Roger.....Bert Wheeler John Elmira Galahad. Charity. Sam Cutaway. Mr. Kinney. Charlie. Expressman. Brown Glenn Coulter

Aiming at philosophical depth thru having four of its seven scenes staged as soliloquies by Wheeler in a park, this play stretches thin between the near-farce level of its plot and treatment and the philosophic pretensions. The thinking is quite vague, but centers in Wheeler, who is cast as a naive wanderer close to the medieval holy fool who believes that one man's need is enough to give him of an-other's bounty. It is all entertain-ingly done, but seems to lack genuine conviction, while the entertainment is marred by the message.

marred by the message. Wheeler and his crank inventor brother (Hepburn) sponge on their elder brother (Prouty). Wheeler's casual bounty is rewarded by a well-publicized bequest of a gambler's fortune which affects several peo-ple including Prouty's wife (Maud Wallace). By a corny coincidence, the fortune is found to be worthless. Then a \$5,000 bond is rung in and this at least pays up the debts the family piled up when they expected the inheritance. Zapy and Talky

Zany and Talky It's all pretty zany and talky, but with a multitude of laughs. If any-body can make it click in spite of the intellectual ballast, it's Wheeler who does an appealingly wistful job of straight drama.

straight drama. As a deserted tenth-rate xylophone player, Sue Ryan plays Wheeler's foil-with zest and fair regard for the real-ities of vaudeville life. However, her character seems a bit too stereotyped in the writing. The development of her daughter (Jeanne Jerrems) from a holy terror of a pre-adolescent to a sweet and loving bride—the only romantic interest in the script—is both amazing and incredible. The other parts are mostly solid charac-ter roles and are competently por-trayed. Haviland F. Reves.

## **Tryout Readings At Low Pay Scale Barred by Equity**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Actors' Equity Council Tuesday (9) refused permission to the White Barn Theapermission to the White Barn Thea-ter to hold tryout readings of new scripts. Lucille Lortel, operator of the theater, first offered only \$5 to actors for the work, but then upped the rate an additional \$10. How-ever, Equity only permits readings sitting on chairs and without re-hearsal and Mrs. Lortel's tryouts in-clude both walking with scripts and rehearsing them over the week-end rehearsing them over the week-end for a Sunday performance. The union's position is that commercial managers may use the White Barn method of viewing plays to deprive actors of work they normally would out if chean unput inter a mediation get if show went into production.

get it show went into production. Union is also considering the re-quest of Robert Champlain, scripter of the new musical, Once Upon a Holiday, tried out this summer at Guilford, Conn., that he be allowed to hold an audition with a full cast for prospective backers. While Equity allows readings of straight plays, it has no provisions for musicals.

#### HOW I WONDER

(Opened Thursday September 11, 1947) SHUBERT THEATER,

SHUBERT THEATER, NEW HAVEN, CONN. new play by Donald Ogden Stewart. Di-rected by Garson Kanin. Sets and light-ing by Donald Oenslager. Costumes by Helene Pons. Production executive, George Greenberg. Produced by Ruth Gordon and Garson Kanin, with Victor Samrock and William Fields.

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Professor Lemuel Stevenson. Raymond Massey
An Unusual Character Everett Sloane
Walter Smith
Cliff SaundersJohn Marriott
Margaret StevensonCarol Goodner
Christina StevensonBethel-Leslie
George DrummondByron McGrath
Dr. HillerJohn Sweet
Lisa Meg Mundy
Henry Harkrider

Credits on the new Donald Ogden Stewart play list no fewer than four persons as producers, and the real wonder of the play is that they bothered. This opus can definitely be listed among the very early cas-ualties of the new season, and Miss Gordon and the Messrs. Kanin, Sam-rock and Fields can save both them-selves and future audiences a lot of pain by killing this before it goes much farther. Credits on the new Donald Ogden

Since this is Stewart's first play in 13 years, the advance on it stated that he had a message to deliver— and deliver it he did, in a slow mov-ing, non-active and decidedly boring ing, non-active and decidedly boring story that leans very heavily to the "pink." Stewart, whose liberal views are well known, attempted to pass on his philosophy in the story of Prof. Lemuel Stevenson, who is being bribed with an offer of the presidency of a college if he will re-frain from attacking the capitalists and bow down to the money interests —which of course, the noble prof. which of course, the noble prof. will not do.

The trend toward the introduction whimsical pixies and imaginative characters into plays, done with such success in Brigadoon and Finian, is success in *Brightoon* and *Finith*, is carried on here by a very unusual character that is supposed to be in the prof's mind, visable only to him. The play also introduces a character from another planet, no less—and everyone has a message for you.

#### Massey in Lead Role

Raymond Massey, who plays the prof., does a right handy job and gives the character whatever reality it possesses, but his underplaying, which while in true character, slows which while in true character, slows up the already tedious pace of the play. Meg Mundy, who plays the gal from the unknown planet, and Everett Sloane, as the prof's mind, do mighty well by their parts, with Sloane playing a pixie and Miss Mundy giving an excellent air of mystery and great depth to her strange role. It is a very capable cast that Kanin has selected.

Donald Oenslager came thru with his customary top drawer job on the single setting and it's a shame that New York audiences will never view this remarkable job of a professor's rooftop hideout that Oenslager has dreamed up.

Kanin's direction is another mat-ter; the pacing and general flow of the play are not good. There are too many stage waits, the action never does move, and characters seem to clutter the stage rather than dress it.

From what the play showed here on its bow-in, How I Wonder will never be able to survive a Main Stem criticism, and from here it doesn't look as tho any amount of rewrite can rescue it. Sidney J. Golly.





SAN FRANCISCO'S only current SAN FRANCISCO'S only current burly stock house is the 1,300-capacity President Follies operated downtown by Edward M. Skolak. The Kearny has not had burly for sev-eral years and the Liberty shifted its personnel to the Moulin Rouge, Oak-land, a few months ago... Carl Kil-roy, comic at the Club Terris, Mil-waukee, is to do a double with Joyce Lewis. Bettie MacDonald moved waukee, is to do a double with Joyce Lewis. . . Bettie MacDonald moved from the Palace, Buffalo, to the Gay-ety, Montreal, where she opens Octo-ber 5 as featured attraction. . . Lee Carlen, drummer, who came back after a USO tour to join up with Bill Errante and Harvey Kane for a three-piece ork, closed a summer's season at the Eagle Cafe, Coney Island. New York, and left for Montreal on a va-cation. Upon his return he will play niteries thru bookings by Buddie Fryer. . . Marilyn, daughter of Harry Jackson. ex-burly comic, is with the Four Chicks and Chuck. Others in the group are Diane Carol. Fran Barber, group are Diane Carol. Fran Barber, Clara Fram and Chuck Gladstone. Besides her CBS air engagements with the combo, Marilyn is helping out with Tex Beneke's ork in the vocals. She also has signed for MGM Becords Records.

COMPLETE units of traveling casts COMPLETE units of traveling casts to tour the Hirst Circuit, accord-ing to Jack Beek's bookings, comprise, for the No. 1, Mike Sacks, Alice Ken-nedy, Eddie Lloyd, George Corwin, Rosalie, Beatrice Kay and Shelia Ryan. No. 2. George Murray, Eileen Hubert, Billy Jones, Lew Denny, Betty Howard, Virginia Kinn and Janie Johnson. No. 3, Jack LaMont. Artie Lloyd, Murray Briscoe, Evelyn Knight, Tina Nix, Marlane and Ma-rone and Gallo. No. 4, Al Anger, Mar-gie Vain. Freddie Frampton. Al Le-Roy, Jill Parker, Lana Barrie and Kenneth and Zoyia. No. 6, Mandy Kaye, Jack Edwards, Charlie Harris, Chloe, Marion Lee and Evelyn Tay-lor. No. 7, Stinky and Shorty, Jimmy (See Burlesque on opposite page)

#### Zebulon, N. C., Annual

Cets Carnival License ZEBULON, N. C., Sept. 13.—The Zebulon Five County Fair, Inc., re-ceived a charter from the Secretary of State to operate carnivals, Author-ized conital reacts is \$100,000

ized capital stock is \$100,000. The incorporators include Avon Privett, Vance Brown and Wade Privett, all of Zebulon.

"Lucasta" Back to National NEW YORK. Sept. 13. — Anna Lucasta returns to Broadway for a limited four-week engagement at the National Theater September 22. Medea is booked into the house October 20, but another theater will be found for the show if it does business.

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## **Controls Ease On Building**

The Billboard

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.—Sup-posedly set up to keep amusement construction from using up materials needed for the veterans' housing proare actually having little effect as far as the stated purpose is concerned, a survey by The Billboard revealed this week.

Of the 335 amusement projects authorized since July 1 by the housing expediter, only about 10 per cent have been granted because of lack of impact on the housing program. The remainder of the projects, 310, have been approved on either hardship or essentiality grounds, regardless of the amount of scarce materials necessary.

#### Movie Honses Lead

Movie theaters have accounted for the largest number of approvals, 149 having received a green light since July 1 when controls on non-amuse-ment construction were lifted. Next largest number of approvals has gone

ment construction were inted. Next largest number of approvals has gone to bars and taverns, with 62 projects approved. Approvals for skating rinks, sports arenas, dance halls and swim pools follow in that order. In the past week approvals have gone out for a dance hall in Sun Prairie, Wis.: skating rinks in Wash-ington, St. Louis; Du Bois. Pa.; Long Beach, Calif.; Dumont, Okla., and East Detroit, Mich., and swim pools in Miami, Miami Beach; Spring Grove, Ia. and Saugus, Calif. The trend toward granting ap-provals even where the housing pro-gram is affected leads many Capitol Hill observers to predict that Con-gress will vote to lift amusement controls early next session if they haven't been tossed out by the Presi-dent before then.

## **Knoxville Showbiz** Tax Ruled Valid

KNOXVILLE, Sept. 13.—Special Chancellor S. E. Hodges ruled yester-Chancellor S. E. Hodges ruled yester-day (12) that the State legislative act placing a city and county tax on amusements was valid. The lawsuit brought by Knoxville and Knox County theater owners challenging the validity of the act was thus dis-missed. Chancellor Hodges said that the tax was uniform, since the same rate of taxation was imposed in both the city and the county. Basis of atthe city and the county. Basis of at-tack by theater owners was that the act placed two taxes on citizens, one exclusively for the city and the other against the county but for benefit of

against the county but for benefit of both city and county citizens. Since the act became effective last April, city finance director Leslie N. Kennedy says, approximately \$31,-500 was collected thru July. August figures have not been tabulated. At the present rate the city expects to collect \$150,000 annually.

Aberdeen Books Busse for the<br/>SO-HO\_TROCADERO<br/>and other CHICAGO Clubs.ADERIDEEN, S. D., Sept. 13.—<br/>ABERDEEN, S. D., Sept. 13.—<br/>Henry Busse and his orchestra, movie<br/>comedian El Brendel and the Murphy<br/>Sisters, radio singers, will be featured<br/>at the third annual Golden Pheasant<br/>Festival here September 14-20.



\$2,000 IN FULL--1ST, \$800; 2D, \$600; 3D, \$400; 4TH, \$200

The staff will include Eddie Leonard, Tex Quite a few movie stars will officiate ope Blackie Latessa and Little Frankie Little, ite. Following contact me: AIR MAIL ONLY AIR MAIL ONLT Eddie Leonard, Hughie Hendrixson, Helen Caldwell, Lovie Meredith, Chad AI Viso, Sammy Allen, Phil Arnold, Dale and Pat Thorpe, J. M. Coffee, Billy Ryan and Jo Jo, Johnny Hughes, Capt. Phil Mathieu, Joe Cruber and Joe Michaels, Mario Allessandro, Smitty Inman, Charlie and Vivian Smalley and all others who know me. Can use a good Trainer and Nurse. CONTACT Ray Passo or Blackie Lattessa Pickwick Hotel San Diego, Calif.



VALDO AND PRINCESS PAT, mentalists, have signed exclusively for two years with the Eddie Smith Agency, New York, and open their new season at Nixon's Cafe, Pitts-burgh, September' 22. . . El Zarro and Company (Harry Carmer) will launch the new season with their Midnight Spook Jamboree in Ohio late in October. Six-people unit will also feature several illusions. . . William F. Becker, magician and es-cape artist, of Aurora, Ill., was the subject of a lengthy human-interest yarn by Agnes Lynch in The Chicago Sunday Tribune of September 7. Ac-companying photos showed Becker demonstrating several of his escape nifties. Becker began his new church, school and club season Labor talists, have signed exclusively for church, school and club season Labor Day. . . Anton Scibilia, tour man-ager for Bill Neff, is negotiating with the veteran Noel Lester for a second the veteran Noel Lester for a second spook-magic opry..., Dantini opened his Congress of Spooks, consisting of 60 minutes of magic, blackouts and spirit manipulations, at the Grand Theater, Curtis Bay, Md., recently. Bob Denning is handling the advance. Eight-people unit makes the hops via a one-ton truck and a passenger car. a one-ton truck and a passenger car. a one-ton truck and a passenger tai. ... Leon Mandrake, magician, and his manager, Bernard Abrams, who does a mental turn under the billing of Bernard, concluded an 11-week stand in the Drum Room of Hotel Presi-dent, Kansas City, Mo., last Saturday (13). They were originally booked (See Magic on opposite page)

## Mendon, Mass., Runs Burly Off Boards

MENDON. Mass., Sept. 13.—Bur-lesque bumped itself right out of the embattled Nipmuc Lake Park Theater Wednesday (10) when the clergy and

Wednesday (10) when the clergy and Parents-Teachers Association pres-sured the board of selectmen into banning further shows as of today. The battle which has raged since Sally Keith played the house and drew the wrath of the P-T Associa-tion came to an end when chairman of the selectmen, Harold Metcalf, notified Brad Angier, theater man-ager, by letter that "the apparent in-ability of the theater management to control the motions of the strip-teas-ers to conform with the rules promulers to conform with the rules promul-gated by the selectmen in their de-sire to eliminate sex shows from the stage at Nipmuc Park" necessitated the ban. Metcalf, asked to elaborate, said it

again in plainer words: "We request-ed that there be no standing bumps and rolls—a roll is a sidwise version

and rolls—a roll is a sidwise version of the bump—and they failed to con-form with the request." Jean Carroll, currently playing a Milwaukee date, was the apparent cause of the bump ban, since she played the house the week before.

### Vienna Ork Draws Protest in London

LONDON, Sept. 13. - London Conduct, Sept. 13. — London Orchestral Association has protested to the Ministry of Labor against the engagement of the Vienna Philhar-monic Ork to play for the whole of the season given by the Vienna State Opera at Covent Garden Opera House later this month and next. The ork is already in Britain, where it per-forms at the current Edinburgh Mu-

forms at the current Edinburgh Mu-sic Festival and is later to join the opera team in London. The association says it doesn't ob-ject to foreign orks playing on their own but doesn't want them to accom-pany from the pit and in any case it is angry with the labor ministry for not consulting it first. At the Covent Garden it is stated that the Vienna Philharmonic Ork is the permanent ork of the State Opera and as such travels with them just as the Covent Garden Opera Company always play with its own ork. with its own ork.

The ministry has overruled the objection.

## **Pope** Applauds American Radio

ROME, Sept. 13.—Pope Pius XII, in an exclusive interview with Giuliano Gerbi, WOV news editor, this week an exclusive interview with characteristic Gerbi, WOV news editor, this week praised the work of American press and radio. In the audience room over-looking picturesque Lake Albano, the Pope told Gerbi: "American radio and press journalists are doing a splendid service for public morality. Both in service for public morality. Both in the wealth of their technical appliances and in their own sense of duty, they are searchers for the truth. Deeply do they feel their public trust

Deeply do they feel their public trust and accept their great responsibility for public morality." The pontiff asked about the Italian language services of the New York station and imparted the apostolic benediction to Gerbi and WOV's per-sonnel and listeners.

#### **Danish Showbiz Mag Resumes**

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 13.—With the end of the printing workers' strike here, the Danish monthly showbiz magazine, *Echo*, has resumed publication after a five-month lapse. The August issue, first one since the strike ended, reports that entertain-ment life is still going strong, altho it has been falling off in some coun-tries. Difficulties remain, but not unsurmountable ones, in the transfer-ence of money from one country to another, and altho visa restrictions have been eliminated by some gov-ernments, others have tightened up on granting them on granting them.



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## THE FINAL CURTAIN

at his home in Detroit September 4. Survived by six daughters and two sons. Burial in Bay City, Mich. sons.

DAVIS-Mrs. C. E., 71, mother of Helen Adams Harrell, of J. A. Gentsch Shows, September 5 at her home in Huntington, W. Va.

DOMINQUEZ-Jose Martinez, 52, Mexican composer of pop folk songs, September 2 in Mexico City. Many of his songs became favorites in the United States. Burial in American Cemetery, Mexico City. an adopted son survive. A sister and

#### In Memory of SYLVESTIA BOSWELL JR. Who passed away August 31, 1946 Mary & Fred Hedrick

DUMINIE-Mrs. Barbara (Bertha), DUMINIE—Mrs. Barbara (Bertha), 34, of the Happyland Shows, August 26 in Fort Hospital, Detroit. Survived by her husband, Walter, also with the shows; a sister, Mrs. Edmond Hughes, White Plains, N. Y., and two brothers, Albert Delevan, Pough-keepsie, N. Y., and James Delevan, Brooklyn. Burial in St. Joseph's Cametary, Natisk B. J.

Brooklyn. Burial in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Natick, R. I. FURNESS—J. C., 70, well known to many show folks thru his operation of the Continental Hotel, Los Angeles, during the vaude era, recently in Farmington N. M. of a heart attack Farmington, N. M., of a heart attack.

HARDEN-John A., 62, department manager for the Sherman Clay store, San Francisco, September 7 at his home in Palo Alto, Calif. He was formerly president of the National Sheet Music Association and man-ager of the G. Schirmer Music store in Los Angeles. Survived by his widow, Majorie, and son, John Jr. Burial in the family plot in Hyde Park, N. Y.

HEBER—Benjamin C., 66, of the Heber Bros.' Printing Company, Co-lumbus, O., and associated in the op-eration of the former Heber Bros.' Circus, recently in Columbus of a heart attack. Survived by his widow, Zella; a son, Benjamin; a brother, George, and a sister, Mrs. F. L. Mc-Kinney. Burial in Columbus.

HILLIARD-Ernest, 56, stage and screen actor, September 3 in Santa Monica, Calif. He was on the stage until 1912, when he entered the films. His widow survives.

HYND — William, 58, bagpiper, September 6 in Detroit. Survived by a sister, Nessie, of Detroit.

In Memory of DORIS EVANS Wife of Harold Evans Died August 23, 1945 Friends of the World of Mirth Shows

IWANOFF-Athanas, aerialist, fell to his death September 4 in Owatonna. Minn., when his high pole col-

tonna. Minn., when his high pole col-lapsed during a performance at the Steele County Fair. KINNEY — James, 42, electrician with the Curl Amusement Company, accidentally electrocuted August 29 at Ord, Neb. Kinney had formerly been with Tivoli Exposition and

CHAPSKI-Bernard, 89, musician, | Victory United shows. Survived by his widow, Ruth.

KLEMM-Gustav, 50, composer. September 5 in Baltimore. Aside from his job with the Peabody Con-servatory of Music, he had also been a critic for The Baltimore Evening Sun, Baltimore correspondent for Musical Courier and program director and assistant manager of Station WBAL. His widow and his mother survive.

KLEWER-Bertha M., 77, mother of Emil Klewer Jr., legit actor, recent-ly in Detroit. She also leaves two daughters. Interm Cemetery, Detroit. Interment in Forest Lawn

McARA—Col. James, 71, for many years a director of the Regina Ex-hibition Association, Regina, Sask., at Victoria, B. C., September 7. Burial was in Regina.

MILLER-Nate, 64, park man and ride operator for the past 28 years, at his home in Long Beach, Calif., Sep-tember 10 of a heart attack. He had been ill since 1941 tho he still operated rides and Penny Arcades at Ven-ice, Ocean Park and Long Beach, Calif. He was a life member of the PCSA. Survived by a sister and four Services and burial in Long nieces. Beach September 12.

MONTEDORO—Marco, 60, theatri-cal scenery and costume designer, September 5 in New York. He had been with the Radio City Music Hall, New York, since 1933. Well known in Europe Montedoro had designed in Europe, Montedoro had designed In Europe, Montedoro had designed sets for the La Scala Opera in Italy and costumes for the Folies Bergere in Paris. In 1927 Montedoro came to this country to design for Shubert Productions. He continued designing Broadway shows until his Music Hall commitments. commitments.

NASTAL-Capt. Stanley, 48, part owner and program director of Sta-tion WFOX, Milwaukee, September 7 in that city.

SYMONS--Burt. 54. concessionaire for the past 30 years, September 6 in Salisbury, Md. At the time of his death he was with the Dumont Shows. Burial in Green Lawn Ceme-tery, Columbus, O. VESTOFF — Valodja, 45, former Nallet and intermediate San

vESTOFF — Valodja, 45, former ballet and interpretive dancer, Sep-tember 5 in New York. Born in Russia, he made his professional debut in New York at the Hippo-drome in Happy Days, followed by Artists and Models and The Passing Short Happing Lange Artists Show. He also appeared in Anything Goes in 1938 with Ethel Merman just before his retirement to instruct in dancing. He leaves his wife, Peggy; daughter, Virginia, and

Peggy; daughter, Virginia, and mother, Florence. YAW—Ellen Beach, 77, prominent concert singer of the '90's, known as Lark Ellen, September 10 in Los An-geles. Her first recital in New York, when she was 14 led to a concert debut in St. Paul, followed by a tour of the United States, England, Switz-erland and Germany. In 1907 she made her operatic debut in *Lucia* in Rome, and three years later her American debut in the same opera at the Metropolitan.

## Marriages

BONCEK-HAYDON-Alex J. Boncek and Lou Ann Haydon, aerialists known as the Xcellos, in New Britain, Conn.

onn., September 30. FRIEDLICH-JOEL — Dr. Allen Friedlich and Mrs. Elaine Joel, daughter of Herbert R. Ebenstein, general manager of Western Candy Distributing System, September 7 in

New York. IWANOV-FOY — Pete Iwanov, of the Polack Bros.' Circus (Eastern

editor, recently in Brookline, Mass. LONG-KINDER—Paul Long, news-caster on Station KDKA, Pittsburgh, and Elaine Kinder, of radio's Kinder Three, vocalists, August 21 in Pittsburgh

MARKS-KARYL-Herbert Marks, talent agent, and Iris Karyl, dancer, September 14 in New York.

·PARIS-MEADOWS -Raymond Paris, Octopus foreman, and Wanda Meadows, photo studio operator, both with the Mighty Van Dyke Shows, in Cambridge, Md., recently.

PHILLIPS-OLMSTEAD -Phillips, well-known writer of outshowbiz newspaper and magadoor zine stories and assistant director of the New Brunswick Government Bureau of Information, and Jessie Isabel Olmstead September 6 in St. John, N. B.

SANTOS-FLANNAGAN - Dr. Alberto Santos, non-pro, and Veronica Flannagan, girl show operator and former burlesque feature, in Havana September 11.

VAL IRELAND-GALVIN — A. T. (Val) Ireland and Mabel Harper August 25.

WADDELL-TAYLOR-Roma Waddell, Ferris Wheel second man on the Gentsch Shows, and Joan Tay-A. lor, Memphis, September 4 in Hernando, Miss.

WHITNEY-SANFORD -Vernon Whithey, trombonist in Sammy Kaye's orchestra, and Betty Sanford September 7 in Tampa. YOUNG-GOOD — Everett Young, member of the Drifting Troubadours, Western string band, and Clara Good

(Marjorie Lee), singer with the band, in Elk River, Md., August 11.

## Births

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Norman Prather in Billings, Mont., August 16. Parents are with the Siebrand Bros.' Shows.

A son, Jacob Alan, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bohrer in Bethesda Hospital, Cincinnati, August 17. Father is a member of The Billboard's Cincinnati sales promotion staff.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Bela DeTus-can August 26 in Detroit. Father is a

former vaude performer. A son to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar (Red) Hart August 20 at St. Luke's Hospital, St. Louis. Father is a concessionaire and this season assistant manager of the William Cowan concessions on the John R. Ward World's Fair Shows. A daughter, Karen Wendy, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kalcheim September 8 in New York. Father is a talent

agent. A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Roy

Gorney September 11 in Brooklyn. A daughter, Julie Jo, to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. (Bookie) Levin September 6 in Chicago. Father is co-partner in Mutual Entertainment Agency, Chicago. Mother is the former Douna Chicago. Mother is the former Donna

Lee, band and nitery singer. A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. James O'Connell September 4 in Oklahoma City. Parents are former concession-aires with Sells-Floto and Yankce Robinson circuses.

A son, Frank Wayne, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hanshaw at Jewish Hos-pital, Cincinnati, August 21. Father is head of General Artists Corpora-tion, Cincinnati, and mother, Jane Fowler, was formerly employed in the office there.

A son, William Michael, to Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Avery September 4 in St. Anne's Hospital, Chicago. Father is a producer of grandstand revues

A daughter, Beverly Jo, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burge August 28 in St. Louis. Father is a salesman for Sta-tion KXOK.



Ray Amy, magician, from Lorene Crabtree Amy, dancer, in St. Louis August 5.

#### MAGIC

(Continued from opposite page) in for a two-weeker....W. I. Fays-soux, who combines magic with mental and hypnotic work. cracked his new season at Mauriceville, Tex., September 12, booked by Harry Byrd Kline, Dallas. Fayssoux reports that he is set solid with Kline for 45 consecutive weeks, for a total of more than 500 engagements. He worked 33 weeks for Kline during the 1944-'45 season. This marks Fayssoux's 47th season in the business.

BILL NEFF and Silkini have both Kept their spook oprys going thru-out the summer and have experienced a lucrative business in key cities, despite the unusually hot weather. ... Virgil the Magician, who has been holed up somewhere near Ashtabula, O., building a Madam Sans Gene illusion, is slated to usher in his new season this week. His new illusion is said to be an improved version of the one done by Eliason in Australia more than 40 years ago. Eliason was the original Dante and hailed from Salt Lake City.... Darrell the Magician is putting the finishing touches to his new show which is carded to break in new show which is carded to break in in the the Omaha sector September 22. Darrell's last tour was under the direction of Joe Karston, when they found the Southwest free with the geedus... Gary Marvin, now resting in San Francisco after 36 weeks at the Andrini Bros.' La Vie Parisienne, that city, will head eastward almost any day now. ... Jack Herbert on a re-turn date at the Plantation Club, Moline, III.... Jack Kodell concluded a two-weeker at Glenn Rendezvous, Newport, Kv., and in a visit to the Newport, Ky., and in a visit to the Magic Desk last Monday (8) advised Magic Desk last Monday (8) advised that he was soon heading into New York, ... Joseph Gabor (Mr. G.) be-gins his lyceum and school season September 22 at Coughlin High School, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. He is doing a two-hour show using two assistants. ... Milbourne Christopher has just

. . Milbourne Christopher has just sold another story to *True*, the man's magazine, this one on the life and adventure of the Great Lafayette. . . C. Thomas Magrum attended the 45th annual gathering of the International Platform Association held recently at Lakeside, O., and reported the follow-ing other magicians also present: Guy ing other magicians also present: Guy Stanley, Roy Shrimplin, Preston, Coke Cecil, Roy Mayer, Wallace (mentalist), Courtney, Nevin Hoeffert, Duncan, Doc Dougherty, Bailey, and Dietrich. Magrum also reports that Marquis the Magician was the hit of Percy Abbott's recent annual get-together at Colon, Mich., his arm amputation winning him lots of the plaudit. plaudits.

#### BURLESQUE

(Continued from opposite page) nto, Harry White, Laura Bruce, Pinto, Harry White, Laura Bruce, Donna Leslie and Georgia Lee. Other units are being formed. Vaude acts as extra attractions include Al Blanc, as extra attractions include Al Blanc, Shorty Howell, Russ LeBeau, Three Smith Sisters, Lew Fitzgibbons, Frankie Cue and James McNally. Correct route of the wheel, Hudson, Union City, N. J., to Howard, Boston; Troc, Philadelphia; Gayety, Wash-ington; Gayety, Baltimore; Empire, Newark, N. J.; Lyric, Allentown, Pa. (Saturday only); Grand, St. Louis; Mayfair, Dayton, O.; Grand, Youngs-town, O.; Roxy, Cleveland; Casino, Pittsburgh, and back to Union City. ... Frankie Blue, formerly with Oscar Markovich, is partnered with Eddie Markovich, is partnered with Oscar Markovich, is partnered with Eddie Madden in the operation of the Gay-ety, Norfolk, Va., which reopened with burly September 15, this time with a stock policy of three shows nightly and no mats.

Davis musician, in Los Angeles August 23.

Pat Dane, film actress, from Tommy Dorsey, band leader, in Reno, Nev., August 26.

Trabtree Amy, magician, from Lorene Crabtree Amy, dancer, in St. Louis Mugust 5. Kay Starr, nitery singer, from Roy

**GUTDGOR** 

# UTAH DOES DIPSY-DOODLE **PrattFall** 15th Week

Cut-rate tickets fail to overcome bad weather - run attendance total 56,401

SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 13 .- The Utah Centennial Exposition in its 15th week fell flat on its face.

15th week fell flat on its face. There was ample cause for closing it as the prospects for the 16th and final week of the exposition promises but little more in the way of attend-ance. However, the Utah Centennial Commission preferred to take the loss rather than cancel a Statewide 4-H Club show for which youngsters have been playing the entire year.

been planning the entire year. Money probably could be saved even by buying up the contract of the Barnes-Carruthers unit production, Cavalcade of Stars, skedded for the final week.

Attendance for the week ending September 12 was only 14,210 com-pared with a seasonal average of three times that much. The total was 586,401 which is about the minimum figure estimated at the opening of the

A sudden weather change during the week contributed somewhat to letting the bottom out of attendance. Thursday, beautiful warm days changed to threatening weather and near the toportune in the near freezing temperatures in the evening for the grandstand shows. Senility was mainly responsibile, however, as closing should have been

however, as closing should have been at the end of 10 weeks. A two-for-one price to the grand-stand show failed to overcome the bad weather which brought the low-est attendance of the run, 1,394 Sep-tember 11, a family day—with whole families for \$1. The exposition closes September 20.

#### Madison Square Garden Installs New Air System

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- An electronic air cleansing system, designed primarily to eliminate tobacco smoke, is now operating in conjunction with the new air conditioning system in Madison Square Garden. Patrons of the balcony pews will no longer find it necessary to visually pierce a fog of smoke to clearly see events taking place on the arena floor

floor. Unit, made by the Raytheon Manufacturing Company, will, it is claimed, attract and eliminate the most minute particles of dust, dirt and smoke. System is capable of processing 540,000 cubic feet of air per minute. A set of filters removes 85 per cent of all particles as small as 1/125,000 of an inch.

#### Orland, Calif., Annual **Constructs Mobile Stage**

ORLAND, Calif., Sept. 13.—A new movable stage is being constructed at the Glenn County Fairgrounds here for use in front of the grandstand. Structure will be mounted on a steel framework and put on wheels. Fair directors say more exhibitors are seeking space, and the main ex-

## 4 Million \$ Rec Center Is Planned

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., Sept. 13.—The City of Fort Lauderdale has let a contract for the construction of a large municipal recreation center to the Caldwell-Scott Construction Company, of New York. Project will cost \$4,000,000 and will include an auditorium-theater seating 2,000, a restaurant accommodating 1,500 diners, an exhibition hall and ball-room for conventions and a youth room for conventions and a youth center.

City paid the U. S. Treasury De-partment \$600,000 for the ocean-front site, covering 27 acres, on which the project will be constructed.

#### Vote Five-Year Improvement Program at Redding, Calif

REDDING, Calif., Sept. 13 .- Directors of the 27th Agricultural Dis-trict Fair voted to transform the old fairgrounds and buildings into a modfairgrounds and buildings into a mod-ern plant during the next five years. Announcement of the plan to spend \$250,000 in modernizing the plant and replacing buildings was made by Dudley V. Saeltzer, manager. He said the district has \$235,000 for the project and this amount will be matched by State funda

matched by State funds. Renovation program calls for new buildings for agricultural and com-mercial exhibits, floriculture, machinery and mining, poultry, admin-istration, show horses, race horses and restaurant.

#### Prep Waco, Tex., Plant For Oct. 21-26 Annual

WACO, Tex., Sept. 13. — Waco Longhorn Club is readying grounds and plant here for the first Heart o' Texas Exposition October 21-26. The club owns a 200-foot tract fronting on La Salle Street at 19th and leases an adjacent 13-acre tract. Facilities in-clude a clubhouse, a modern rodeo arena seating 4,000 and a 20-stall stable. Construction is now under-up to double the stabling frequilities

stable. Construction is now under-way to double the stabling facilities. Club officers are D. B. Boone, president; E. J. Shelby, vice-presi-dent; Billy Bell, secretary; R. A. Bell, treasurer; A. L. Murphree, rodeo chairman; Roy Durie, horse show chairman, and F. L. Doherty, racing chairman. chairman.

#### Roseville, Calif., To Start 400G 5-Yr. Building Plan

ROSEVILLE, Calif., Sept. 13.—De-signed to make the Placer County Fair "a real fair," a five-year, \$400,000-plan of improvements will be inaugurated this coming year, Hanford A. Crockard, president of the Placer County Fair Association, told the press at a recent conference. Topping the list of improvements will be construction of an exhibit building and auditorium to cost \$170,000, which he said will be ready next year. The building will also be used as a civic center. be used as a civic center.

hibit tent is taxed to capacity. An-other exhibit tent may be added. Glenn County Fair is slated for September 17-20.

# At Ft. Lauderdale Must Reading For Showmen

Chicago 1, III.

Billboard

**Outdoor Biz Is Target** 

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Sept. 13. William L. Hill, director of the division of outdoor advertising of the State road department of Florida State road department of Florida calls attention of outdoor show busi-ness to the summary of important provisions of the Outdoor Advertising Law of Florida, held valid by the Supreme Court in 1941.

The law applies to advertisements, advertising signs and advertising structures outside of the corporate limits of cities and incorporated towns in sight of the public highways. The law states in part law states, in part:

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place, post, paint, erect, operate, use or maintain any non-excepted advertisement, advertising sign or structure outside of corporate limits of a city or town without first obtaining a permit from the chairman of the state road department and paying the annual fee therefor at the rate of 2 cents per square foot for the area of cents per square foot for the area of the face of the advertisement, the sign or structure. The minimum fee for such a permit is 50 cents, if such area is 25 or less square feet. Per-mit fees are not pro-rated on any short term basis. Permits expire October 1 of each year but may be renewed upon prompt request and renewed upon prompt request and payment of the fees.

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Special note is made in the law that advertisements and signs of car-

## Fla. Ad Law Franks' Ride Men **Drafted** To Help Harvest Peanuts

September 20, 1947

MACON, Ga., Sept. 13 .- A new vocation for ride help—digging peanuts. Bill Franks, carnival owner, also farms, and this year had 160 acres in peanuts.

peanuts. When harvesting time came, Franks learned he was short of farm help. With peanuts selling for more than \$200 a ton, Franks was determined not to let them stay in the ground. He loaded six of the ride boys on a truck, bought a new peanut picking machine, a bailer and a thresher. Working day and night they had the harvest completed in about 48 bours.

harvest completed in about 48 hours.

## Tappahannock, Va., **Outdoor Amusement Center Being Built**

CAPPAHANNOCK, Va., Sept. 13.— Work is progressing on a new half-nule dirt track and fairgrounds being built here by George Clanton and as-sociates. The track is being con-structed by the Talley Construction Company, Richmond, Va., which built the one there at the Atlantic Exposi-tion grounds.

tion grounds. The track will be banked and suit-able for horse, auto and motorcycle races. It also is planned to use the plant for rodeos, a three-day fair, thrill shows and grandstand attractions of various kinds. The grand-stand will house modern rest rooms,

stand will house modern rest rooms, a ladies' lounge, concession stands and a judges' stand. First event scheduled is a two-day harness horse racing program October 24-25, with the Tappahannock Valley Racing Association as sponsor.

## Port Royal, Pa., Race Fatal to Frank Bailey

PORT ROYAL, Pa.-Frank Bailey, 32-year-old driver from New Bruns-wick, N. J., was injured fatally dur-ing an auto race at the Juniata County Fair here Saturday (6) when his car skidded on a turn.

#### Earl John Killed

THOMPSON, Conn.—Earl John, 34, Erlton, N. J., was killed in an auto racing crack-up August 31, at the Thompson Speedway. The accident occurred before some 10,000 persons during a qualifying heat. John's car crashed head-on into another auto, which had gone into a spin near the rail. The impact sent John clear of his car onto the track, and he died instantly. Feature 25-mile race was instantly. Feature 25 won by Bill Holland.

#### Stock Cars in N. E.

that advertisements and signs of car-nivals, circuses, shows, rodeos and the like are not excepted from any provision of the law. The law provides that any person who violates any of its provisions shall be deemed guilty of a misdea-meanor and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 and not more than \$300 for each month during any portion of which the violation is committed, continued or permitted. Stock Cars in N. E. BRIDGEPORT, Conn.—With two October races, the New England Stock Car Racing Association announces a full schedule of six, and possibly eight, events will be run this fall. The first meet will be held at the Middletown, N. Y., Fairgrounds oc-tober 12, with the new fairgrounds at Kingston, R. I., set October 19. Pro-moter Bill Tuthill is arranging the various dates.

#### CIRCUSES Communications to 155 No. Clark St., Chicago 1, Ill.

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# **Ringling Gets** 2 Overflows

CHICAGO, Sept 13. — Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey bowed into Texas at Amarillo Monday (8) and to say the show was a big suc-cess there is putting it mildly. With the weather co-operating, in that it didn't rain, altho it was windy, the show drew two overflow crowds.

Frank Braden, press representative for the Big One, told newsmen at Amarillo it was the first time in history that a sellout was registered for both afternoon and night shows before 1 p.m. the afternoon of circus day.

From Amarillo the Big Show jumped to Plainview where business was good, altho not up to Amarillo. Matinee was three-quarters and the night house a trifle less.

In its last two stops in Colorado before entering Texas, the R-B org registered good business. Altho day and dating the Polack Bros.' Western Unit in Colorado Springs, show drew two full houses. And at Trinidad, Colo., the matinee was three-quarters and the night performance drew about 8,000.

## **Bailey Gets Hot** Weather in Ark., **But Biz Is Okay**

MORRILTON, Ark., Sept. 13.-Bailey Bros. has been running into some extra hot weather—in some spots heat records have been set on its trek thru Arkansas but despite this business is holding satisfactorily. The heat didn't bother here, mati-nee being three-quarters and a full one being on tap at night. Official

one being on tap at night. Official temperature was 107, the hottest day since 1936.

Another hot spot was Clarksville where the temperature in the after-noon was 105. As a result the mati-nee crowd was on the light side. It cooled in the early evening, getting "down" to 98, and the show played to a full one to a full one.

Fayetteville gave with a strong matinee and a full one at night, de-spite the heat. Org had to show on a lot which was too small and as a re-sult everything was cramped.

## **Three Missouri Spots Aid Mills**

ELDON, Mo., Sept. 13. spots in Missouri proved better than okay for Mills Bros. Org did a big matinee biz here, getting a full mat-inee and a three-quarter house at night.

Clear and warm weather at Jefferson City helped and after a three-quarter matinee the show drew an overflow at night. Betty Acevdo, tightwire performer, fell eight feet to the ground while performing on the wire at the matinee. She was carried where at the matthee. She was carried unconscious to her dressing room and then taken to St. Mary's Hospital in an ambulance. Physicians reported she suffered a slight concussion and kept her hospitalized four days.

Sedalia, Mo., which hadn't had a circus in more than 10 years, gave with a full house at night after a light matinee.

WON, HORSE & UPP COMBINED CIRCUS An Equine and Canine Paradox—The Show With a Leaf of Gold By Starr De Belle\_\_\_\_\_

At Amarillo Dear Pat: Did you notice our new letterheads? How do you like the new line under How do you like the new line under the show's title, "Mighty Congress of Oxford Intellectual Gymnasts?" From the route card enclosed you'll notice Arrived here Oxford Intellectual Gymnasts?" From the route card enclosed you'll notice we are in Canada. Arrived here today. The Great London title proved so successful up here years ago the bosses decided to give 'em something from Dear Old England whether they want it or not. What switched our route so suddenly was the ar-rival of our new general agent, Duke Weathereye Shiliscuff. He's strictly Oxford from his moniker Duke Weathereye Shiliscuff. He's strictly Oxford from his moniker to monocle. Knockers around the show say it's too late for a Canc<sup>At</sup> tour and the only thing English about the Duke is, he formerly was a Rugby player that followed the elephants around the track clearing the coast for the pedestrians that participated in the spec. To have everyone trained to act and talk the part of an Englishman, th. boss had two instructors join to school the uncouth, At first our folks took it as a game, litt : reali-ing an Oxford education was worth-

folks took ift as a game, lift is reali-ing an Oxford education was worth-while. You oughta hear them now. They used to pronounce calliope "kal-ee-ope." Now it's "kal-I-O-pee," which will elevate the show's musical organizations in the minds of the public. Before crossing the border yesterday the side show's staff gave a dress rehearsal. It was a success. The talkers refrained from saying, "Buy tickets at either pay box," but in their best Oxford English they pronounced either as "eye-there," which pleased the bosses and the instructors immensely. During the rehearsal Manager Upp played the role of a customer being very care-ful not to use a big bill. When te ful not to use a big bill. When le asked the ticket seller, "How much are tickets?" the duke-turner, who had been carefully coached, pointed at the  $si_{c}n$  on the box and answered, "There it is in King's English," much

"There it is in King's English," much to the boss's satisfaction. The office displayed some sample paper that depicted a circus being loaded on a boat at Liverpool. The cut-lines read, "Readying for Con-quest and Triumphant Tour of the New World." The new p e. added

starting a forgetting course for the personnel. The object of the new course was to teach them to forget course was to teach them to forget t'ey came from the States b, using, "Recently, we migrated to the Prairie Possession." Several of our people who toured England with an embalmed whale before the war helped to further side show em-ployees' education by teaching the concessionaires to say, "I si' gov'nor, give it a gow. Chawnce it gov-nor, give it a gow."

Some uncouth on the show want to stay uncouth. They insist on fish and chips at suppertime instead of crumpets and tea at teatime. Well, blawst 'em, we'll have them weaned from solid foods before this tour is over.

Here, our first Canadian spot, the Here, our first Canadian spot, the natives gave us the big finger and so 'elp me, they use the same New World lingo we do. Just because we had Indiana trailer plates on our wagons they doubted the circus came from England. We still have our educators, or rather the two who were educators, they became pupils and are now working on con-nection boxes, which proves that nection boxes, which proves that even the smart can be smartened up or at least be made hep. So 'elp me



# LOGANSPORT, Ind., Sept. 13.— The weather, heat in the afternoon and heavy rain at night cut attend-ance for Dailey Bros. here Thursday (1), matinee being less than half a house and the night show getting a three-quarter play. Had the weather been okay, business would have been much better, especially at the night much better, especially at the night

show. Officials of the show complained Lore work for the educators by (See Rain Hurts Dailey on page 105)

## Beatty Takes Over as Mgr.; **Org Plans To Winter in L. A.**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13 .- With the resignation of Ira M. Watts as manager of the Clyde Beatty Circus, Beatty himself has taken over active manage-ment and plans to winter in the Los Angeles area. The Billboard, Friday (12), received a wire from Bill Antes, Beatty press agent, that announced Beatty had named Bob Reynolds as his first assistant and that Buddy Rich-Beatty had named Bob Reynolds as his first assistant and that Buddy Rich-ards, of Los Angeles, had joined as trainmaster. Antes added that the show's Southern tour so far has been most successful. Paul Eagles was contacted in Los Angeles and he reported he has three prospective sites under consid-eration for Beatty's winter quarters. Beatty, it is said, has made up his mind to winter his show out there to be ready for the lush spring busi-ness and to avoid a March "death march" across Texas, New Mexico and Arizona

march" across Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. After a tour of Arkansas, the Beatty org moved into Mississippi and business has been good. Clarks-dale, for instance, gave with good crowds, more than 3,000 being on hand for the matinee and close to 5,000 at night. 5,000 at night.

In four Arkansas spots, full houses have been the exception, not the rule, and overflows have been regis-tered in some spots. Blytheville tered in some spots. Blytheville gave with a three-quarter matinee and a full one at night. At Para-(See Beatty Takes Over on p.ge 105)

Business here for Rogers Bros. was light, attendance being off at both matinee and night shows.

At Roy, N. M., business was better, org getting a three-quarter matinee and a full one at night.

#### Williams Gate Hits 4,300

WILLIAMS, Ariz., Sept. 13.—Two-day rodeo held here September 1-2 drew a gate of 4,300. Only casualty among the contestants was Bob Han-sel, local boy, who suffered broken ribs when a steer fell on him.

## **New Orleans Bow for Cole** Satisfactory

**Org Opens With Full House** 

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Sept. 13.-Cole Bros. moved in here today, its third Florida stop since moving out of Louisiana, Mississippi and Ala-bama, where business, especially at the night shows, was better than okay.

A three-day stand in New Orleans, the first time in that city for the Cole org, incidentally, proved satis-factory. Opening Saturday (6), org drew a near full house at the matinee and a solbut at night Harold Voise, at the end of his act, leaped into the net and one of the stay wires on the net gave way. Voise struck the ground in the net and was badly shaken up but uninjured. Chamberty's catcher left in New Orleans and the act is now out of the show.

Second day's biz in New Orleans was good, matinee being three quar-ters and night house a full one. Final day the matinee attendance was

Final day the matinee attendance was light but it was a sellout at night. Extreme hot weather held the crowds down at both the afternoon and night shows in Lafayette, La., while at Gulfport, Miss., a late arri-val and threatening skies hurt ma-tinee attendance. Show arrived in Gulfport about three hours late, due to a delayed departure from New to a delayed departure from New Orleans. The weather cleared in the early evening and show drew an overflow. Rain started falling again shortly after the night performance got under way.

In Mobile, Ala., the show did big business despite some strong opposi-tion from a play-off baseball game between Mobile and Chattanooga and between Mobile and Chattanooga and the opening night of the movie The Egg and I at a downtown theater. The night show found the reserved (See N. O. Okay for Cole, page 106)

## World Wild Animal **Trailer Destroyed;** Joe Matlin Burned

OSKALOOSA, Ia., Sept. 13. — Fire, caused by the explosion of the trailer power plant, destroyed the 25foot metal trailer, including the ca-ter power plant sector, front offices and the rear sector in which the animals are carried, of the World Wild Animal Exhibit here Thursday (4).

Joseph Matlin, 34, Chicago, em-ployee of the show, which was located on the Barnes lot adjacent to the Southern Iowa fairgrounds, suffered second degree burns and was hospitalized.

Owner W. F. Duggan said the loss would amount to around \$15,000 and announced he had no insurance.

Exact cause of the explosion is not known. Spectators said Matlin leaped from the trailer with his clothing afire. Occupants of a nearby car helped put out the flames and took him to a hospital. Mrs. R. J. Adams, hence a secretary who was in the two low show secretary, who was in the trailer office at the time of the mishap, leaped to safety. All office records were destroyed.

Employees were starting to load, animals in preparation to leaving Oskaloosa after showing Wednesday and Thursday (3-4). Other show trailers, equipment and animals were far enough away from the trailer to escape the flames.

#### **Ringling-Barnum**

Texas is giving us plenty of hot weather and dusty lots. We day and dated Polack Bros. in Colorado Springs and again at Amarillo, Tex. Many visits were exchanged.

Recent visitors included Mac and Recent visitors included Mac and Bobbie Steele, Truzzi and son, Elmer Santana, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Iwanov; Richard Frey, CFA from Canyon City, Colo.; Elmer Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Sadler, Mr. and Mrs. Slivers Madison and the Flying La-Forms.

Joe Ward joined clown alley for his vacation during our Texas stand. Al Powell and Clayton Behee cele-brated their birthdays. Bobby Nel-son and Frenchie Wolthing are on the cial list sick list.

Around the lot: Note to the Cole Around the lot: Note to the Cole show—Our candidate for king of the free rollers is Frankie Saluto. He says he'll defend his title against all competitors. Ten gallon hats and cowboy boots are making their ap-pearance, with the European acts go-ing hot and heavy for the Western gear. Wardrobe department has a new pennant flying from its flag pole with the department name on it. pole with the department name on it. It makes it much easier to find the band top from anywhere on the lot. Walter O'Hara rejoined after closing the social season at Rockaway Beach the social season at Rockaway Beach and reports every event held there was a huge success. The closing date is a toss-up as Mike, the water boy, has given me one date and Bill (Cocky) White quotes another. Be-cause of the difference of opinion, I will hold off until they get together and then give out the real closing date. Johnny (Snooper) Burnside closed and was replaced by Freddie Canestrelli. Wonder where Springer was the day he missed the first two announcements in Colorado Springs? Chicken Charley, boss outside porter, quips: "Better save some of your pay today, or use the grass cutter this winter in quarters."—DICK MILLER.



## DRESSING ROOM GOSSIP

Dailey Bros.

India with mixed emotions. They

were anxious to return to their families but liked America and the circus

so well they expressed a desire to re-

turn next year. Eddie Murillo had a six-horse Liberty act until the lead mare pre-sented him with a newcomer. We saw a white horse covered with dashes of black that looked as tho it had been applied with a paint brush. It brought back memories of Sells-Floto when it was known as Otto Floto, the Circus Beautiful. Several such horses were ridden in parade and were a sensation in our town of Baker, Ore.

During the hot weather, Ranger, Spike's dog, went daily to the cook-house and stood in front of Mrs. Carl, who has the milk stand. He would

watch her with eager eyes until she would give him a piece of ice.

put up the big top. He said they were the fastest workers he ever handled.

swered the school bell and everyone hated to see them leave. Johnny Yerby joined clown alley. Mildred Pyle celebrated her birthday.

Mrs. Rube Ray and Slim Farley are

**Polack Eastern** 

Donna Pyle and Jack Knight an-

Several persons belonging to the Amish religious sect attended the circus in Sharon, Pa., and Jimmy Thomas hired several of them to help

turn next year.

on the sick list.

The mahouts left for their home in

#### Cole Bros.

The heat is still with us and it finally overcame a few of the boys and girls. How Tommy Comstock can stand it behind that steam calliope is something I'll never know.

The 180-mile jump into New Or-ans was made in good time and verything was up and ready on leans everything was up and ready on schedule. Most of the younger set, now off to school, had a great time visiting all the places of interest in the southern city.

Doc and Mrs. Wilson arrived from Boc and Mrs. whison arrived from Rockford, Ill., to spend two weeks on the show. Other visitors included Mrs. Bradley and her children from Rochester, Ind., and Santos, former bar performer and now on the fire department in New Orleans.

The floor show has been revived in Car 55. We used to have them in Car 54 all the time but our two feain Car 55 tured performers are no longer with us. I thought I'd seen everything un-til I saw Jack Burslem take his dogs for a plane ride on our Sunday off in Alexandria, La. The new ward-robe Albert White and Grover Nitchman came up with in New Orleans was something to see.

Prince Del Rio, ably assisted by Bud, informs me the Prince Del Rio's Mighty Midway will be something next season with neon lighting, air conditioning and special paper!

Mr. and Mrs. Noyelles Burkhart, Mr. and Mrs. Noveles Burkhart, Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Winn Partello, Doc and Mrs. Wilson and Col. and Mrs. Harry Thomas enjoyed a get-together at Antoine's.

Zack Terrell celebrated his birth-day recently. Maggie Wise, Horace Laird and Ernie Burch were on the sick list.—FREDDIE FREEMAN.

#### **Bailey Bros.**

Max and Gertie Craig joined to do rolling globe. One of the big top cen-ter poles snapped, causing Jimmy and Lee Troy, who were doing their double ring swivel, to take a bad spill. Lee was knocked out for a few minutes but otherwise the two of them are okay. Kenny Hayes, of the big show band, celebrated his birthday recently and was host at a watermelon party for the ortice personnel

the entire personnel. Among those leaving the show re-cently were Shorty Gilson, sailmaker; Walter Smith, trumpet player in the side show band, and Jimmy and Lee

The writer was entertained by many of the former Parker-Watts Circus employees while in Fort Smith, Ark.—GEORGE L. MYERS.

#### Mills Bros.

Coming down from Eldon, Mo., a coming down from Eldon, Mo., a group of the performers stopped at Dogpatch on Lake of the Ozarks and helped Archie Silverlake celebrate his 65th birthday. Attending were Teresa and Cathie Matchett, Mam Morales, Johnnie Mae Snyder, daugh-ter of Archie: Annie Collins and Mar ter of Archie; Annie Collins and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hoxie and daughters, Susie and Louise. Sieven Crowe, trumpet player in

Sieven Crowe, trumpet player in the clown band, spent a quiet birth-day Monday (1) in the backyard just looking over his mail. In order to cease further controversy over the atom bomb gag, Bill Nippo has de-cided to have it copyrighted. Backyard queries: What is it that Marion, the baby monkey, finds in White's hair? Why should a collie dog who can't even stand on his hind

Whitie's hair? Why should a collie dog, who can't even stand on his hind legs, be jealous of Butch who walks that way around the hippodrome track? How could Betty Acevedo O'Neill take such chances to obtain a short vacation with her husband? How is it the Conley troupe finds time to always have all new spangles, ruf-(See Mills Bros. on page 94)

### September 20, 1947

#### **Clyde Beatty**

Mark Anthony, in all his rags, and Lou Walton, whiteface, did a down-town ticket sale recently which ended in a surprise. Upon leaving the de-partment store, Mark's rags hooked onto a fishing plug and together the onto a fishing plug and together the two clowns returned to the lot with the plug still hanging. The plug was passed on to Spenders Cline to catch that catfish that snapped his line a few weeks ago. Incidentally, Lou was entertained by the sity of Blythe-rille. Aster presenting ville, Ark., recently.

A Sunday in Clarksdale, Miss., was a wonderful day for the big game hunters as a cage of 10 monkeys escaped. Six were captured and the remaining four "donated" to the city. Claire LeVine celebrated a birth-

day. Art Concello visited in Clarks-dale. Raymond Maxwell is back on the front door again after being hos-pitalized for a few weeks, the result of a loading accident. Buddy Rich-ards is now train superintendent, re-

ards is now train superintendent, re-placing John O'Brien. In Jonesboro, Ark., Billy Ham-mond's mother and other members of the family visited. Connie Conrey joined the Wild West and the ballet. The hilarious version of *Temptation* by the ladies' dressing room is the most nonular most popular.

most popular. Everyone ran into hotel trouble Sunday (7). Lack of rooms was the reason. During the idle hours of waiting for reservations, Mickey was found asleep on a hotel lounge. When he awoke he found his hands and face had been blackened. So he carried the Jolson Story all the way.-DICK ANDERSON.

#### Sparks

On Thursday (4) the cookhouse had pineapple juice, roast beef, corn on the cob, cucumber salad, honeydew melon and the closing notice. Our 324th and closing perform-ance came on a rainy Sunday night (7) in Tacoma. Local CFA'ers Earl Peck and Francis Wallace proved of valuable assistance in helping us get valuable assistance in helping us get away. Martin Arthur, of the Im-perial Shows, was on hand and Francisco Reynoso got out of the hospital in Sudbury, Ont., in time for

hospital in Sudbury, Ont., in time for the closing. Most of the concession department joined in the Polack show in Wen-atchee, Wash. Tom Kennedy left for St. Petersburg, Fla., and the side show, practically intact, left to play fairs. Others and their plans or desti-nations: Henry and Jackson Kyes and the Staleys to Saratoga, Fla.; La-vonda Evans, Salt Lake City; Harry Hammond, Los Angeles; Whitey Haven and the elephants back to the Ringling-Barnum winter quarters; Ringling-Barnum winter quarters; Chandler Miller and Howard Menz, Puyallup, Wash., Fair; Laurence Cross back to the Bailey Show; the Cau-dillio Sisters to Mexico and then into the Latin Quarter, New York; Elmer Lindquist and Frank Cromwell to New York; Bill Lewis to Florida and the writer to the Polack advance.— DAVE MURPHY.

#### **Polack Western**

**Polack Western** The rain didn't bother the Seattle residents. We had full houses at al-most every show. All the performers kept a close watch on their dogs when one of the local musicians lost his dog by poison. Quite a few of the girls in the web number doned new costumes. The newest fad in the ladies' dressing room is the dayt game.

newest lad in the ladies' dressing room is the dart game. Too bad Mike Healy didn't receive the shipment of bugs he ordered for the Seattle engagement. Johnny and Delores Peterson gave (See Polack Western on page 94)

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## **Polack Draws Big in Seattle**

10-day stand registers 100,-000 customers-top turnaway is Labor Day

SEATTLE, Sept. 13.—First circus in Seattle during 1947, Polack Bros.' Western Unit drew 100,000 persons during its 10-day stand here, August 29-September 7, which was 25,000 more than a year ago.

Showing in the Civic Ice Arena, the show enjoyed several turnaway crowds, the largest being Labor Day night. Matinee attendance was good, with most schools not opening until Wednesday (3) and many not opening until later.

Outside of two days, Thursday and Saturday (4-6), weather was perfect. Rain came on Thursday and Saturday but it didn't hurt attendance, sellouts being registered both nights.

Org was sponsored here by the Nile Temple Shrine and the date was promoted by Joe O'Donnell, who left here for Wichita Falls, Tex., to pro-mote the Polack stand there starting October 8.

## **Record Stock Count** Set for N. Y. Rodeo

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—A record-breaking number of bucking bronks and rodeo stock will be used at the 22d annual World's Championship Rodeo at Madison Square Garden September 24 thru October 26.

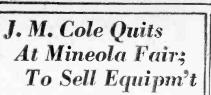
Cowhands at Everett E. Colburn's ranches at Dublin, Tex., and Stan-ford, Mont., will begin loading stock for shipment to New York Monday (15). There will be a total of 705 for snipment will be a total of 100 head, a record. In addition there will be 65 privately-owned horses at the garden, making a grand total of 770 animals parked in or near the

Stock headed for the Garden in-cludes 330 bucking bronks, against a previous high of 280 in 1946; 80 steers for wrestling, 80 Brahma bulls, 70 calves for roping, 70 wild horses and 75 riding horses for parade. Aside from the horses word in the

and 75 riding horses for parade. Aside from the horses used in the contests there will be the pampered equine stars such as Gene Autry's high-school horse, Champion; Ray Ramsay's spectacular jumping horses, the Flying Clouds and the horses used by Mitzi Ann Lucas and the other trick riders, as well as those of the fancy roping trio, Verne Goodrich, Donald McLaughlin and Buff Brady.

#### **Circus Historical Society**

Secretary John J. Crowley is back home after spending his vacation visiting Dailey, Hunt and King cir-cuses. He reports 19 new members since the convention. Harold M. Kilbatrick, former billposter, is ill in the Western Sanitarium, Black Mountain, N. C. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tracy spent their vacation in Chicago and Joe reports attending the Atwell Luncheon Club in Hotel Sherman and meeting Nat Green and Harry At meeting Nat Green and Harry At-well, among others. He also spent some time in the home of C. Spencer Chambers and says Chambers's circus collection is something to see. Foy Cooke reports catching the Bailey



NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- James M. Cole, whose circus has been the

grandstand attraction at the Mineola (L. I.) Fair the past week, is winding up his affairs and closing the show after tonight's performance. Altho business at Mineola was good, with near-capacity houses of well over 2,000 at all performances, Cole finds piloting a tent cirk at present has too many headaches and he is offering his big tan, tents and rolling equipment big top, tents and rolling equipment for sale.

Cole will retain his well-trained Liberty horses and elephants and will hold some members of his organiza-tion with the intention of re-entering the indoor circus promotion field, in which he has had considerable experience.

#### Unique Lavout

The James M. Cole Circus played its final stand under unique condiits final stand under unique condi-tions, being one of the first, if not the only, circus to present a complete three-ring circus under canvas in front of a fairground grandstand. One-half of Cole's big top was set up on the far side of the Mineola Fair's race track, with center poles and aerial rigging securely guyed off with heavy steel cables and ropes to stakes planted solidly in the lawn fronting the grandstand. No artificial light was required for matinee perform-ances, but at night the regular light-ing system of the circus was supple-mented by a battery of floodlights on ing system of the circus was supple-mented by a battery of floodlights on the grandstand which proved very ef-fective. The half of the big top was equipped in usual fashion, with band-stand and performers' entrance in the center and two sections of seats-which were not used-on each side.

#### Side Show on Midway

Side Show on Midway Menagerie tent was pitched along-side the entrance to the grandstand, while the side show tent was set up on the midway where it worked as part of the carnival set-up. Grand-stand seated around 3,000 and circus drew well over two-thirds capacity at all performances and probably played to capacity at last night's and today's performances as weather was ideal, and Friday and Saturday are the peak attendance days at Minneola. Admission rates were adults, 60 cents Admission rates were adults, 60 cents plus 75 cents for reserves at matinees; 75 cents plus \$1 at night; children, 30 cents plus 25 cents for reserves at matinees; 40 cents plus 25 cents for reserves at night.

Line-up of acts was the same as on tour, and performances went off smoothly. Concert was canceled after first performance as fireworks displays followed immediately after and of the night performances end of the night performances.

#### **Two Wisconsin Spots** Give K-M Good Business

WATERTOWN, Wis., Sept. 13. — The Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros.' Circus drew a full house at its night show here after a fair crowd caught the matinee.

At West Bend, Wis., business was much better, org getting a full one at the matinee and an overflow at night, despite rain.

Chambers and says Chambers's circus collection is something to see. Foy Cooke reports catching the Bailey show. Edmond Holt, president of the American Tableau Bandwagon, Al-lentown, Pa., attended the matinee of Dailey Bros. at Bethlehem, Pa. Dr. E. N. Olzendam, Manchester, N. H., spent his vacation on the Hunt show and at the races in Canaan, N. H. Mr. and Mrs. Fay Reed, formerly of Sioux Falls, S. D., are located in their new home in St. Paul.



wanis Circus, housed on the Suffolk Downs race track, did okay business here during its seven-day stand, Au-gust 18-24. Boston newspapers went all out with the publicity, using plenty of pictures and stories.

plenty of pictures and stories. Line-up of acts included Mickey Sullivan's Yankee Circus Band, Will's Dogs and Ponies, Ada and Her Pals, the Potas-Flotsom Troupe, Bozo Cos-mo's Publicity Five, the Five Dick-son Brothers, Ira Watkins's Chimps, Beebe's Hollywood Bears, Rudy Rudynoff Trio, Will Hill's Elephants, the Heerdink Brothers, Dick and Pauline, the Four Flying Dowards, the Five Cycling Kirks, the Six Acro-batic St. Leons, Lalage, aerialist; Reg (See Kiwanis Show Draws, page 105) Rudynoff Trio, Will Hill's Elephants, the Heerdink Brothers, Dick and Pauline, the Four Flying Dowards, the Five Cycling Kirks, the Six Acro-batic St. Leons, Lalage, aerialist; Reg (See Kiwanis Show Draws, page 105)

**Circus** Clown Club

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 13 .--- Correspondence has been received from Stan Bult, CFA, 26 Canning Road, Corydon, Surrey, England, European representative of the Circus Clowns' Club; A. J. Higginson, Northampton, Eng., who is a trick cycle clown playing his second season with Lord George Sanger's Circus in London; Phil Kallail, member of the 20th Century Shows; Sugar Foot Williams, clown on the Great Karland Shows, and Mrs. Stanley Christy. Irasmuch as the Circus Clowns'





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## Donald and Isaac Marcks caught the Flamente Circus Labor Day in Santa Clara, Calif. ton riding act, visited the James M. Cole Circus at the Mineola (L. I.) Fair, at which the present-day Dut-Santa Clara, Calif.

UNDER

Ed Streetman cards that he recently visited Harvey (Georgia Boy) Drew at Marion, Ill:

Nowadays the best thing about sleeping in berth cars is that all showmen use soap

Eddie (Red) Lake, retired circus trombone player, is now located at the Howell Tourist Camp at Jacksonville. Fla.

Howard Suesz, owner of Clyde Bros.' Circus, and Happy Kellems were in Chicago last week booking talent for indoor dates.

show rule pleases everybody. The boss likes it and the help ignores it.

Mrs. J. D. Newman, Los Angeles, and her house guest, Mrs. Walt Gen-try, recently visited W. J. Gilman, former car manager for Cole Bros., at his home in Long Beach, Calif.

Curtis Little, former agent for Bar-num & Bailey and 101 Ranch, is now assisting Paul Eagles in his feed busi-

It is always a laugh to a trouping husband when his wife says he never takes her anywhere.

Maj. Anthony Greenhaw leaves his home in Long Beach, Calif., Monday (15) for San Francisco to receive his new army assignment.

Kenneth Waite and Lawrence Lacelle have concluded 10 weeks of fair days for the Gus Sun Booking Agency and will open for Bob Morton.

Fury of a woman scorned is understood by a main street lithographer when mer-chants won't accept his "free passes."

Mrs. and Mrs. Charlie Perkins closed with De Wayne Bros., and are now in Venice, Calif., with Jimmie Woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert A. Douglas, West Chester, Pa., spent Labor Day visiting the James M. Cole show in Gettysburg, Pa.

Good job for mapmakers might be chart-ing those towns we never heard of played by a competitive show.

W. C. (Brad) Bradford, owner of the Ogeechee Animal Farms, is a patient in the Louisville, Ga., Hospital, recovering from a rattlesnake bite.

Walter D. Nealand, veteran advance agent for King Bros., recently was the subject of a story by Joe Lansdell in The Savannah (Ga.) Morning News.

Some troupers aren't funny when they boost a manager with. "You're the best since Poggie O'Brien."

Jake J. Disch, billed professionally as Corrigan, the Clown Cop, reports that while playing the Postville, Ia., Big Four Fair, he met J. Glenn James, collector of miniature ele-phants.

C. S. Karland, owner of the Great Karland Shows, advises that the org will not open until after January 1 because of the difficulty in obtaining materials for the new band wagon and nageant and pageant.

Hot spell is any period when farmers won't leave the 105-in-the-sun wheatfield

ton act was featured.

MARQUEE

Circus life was uninteresting in those good old days before manpower short-ages and pay days.

The Stewarts, Lou, Bobbie and Lynn, visited the James M. Cole org at Morristown, Tenn., and met O. Decker, J. McNeill and Lou Barton. The Stewarts have the cookhouse on the Crescent Amusement Company.

E. Deacon Albright, calliope player with King Bros., and Jack Livingston, veteran contortionist residing in Jamestown, N. Y., have been made honorary members of the Circus His-torical Society, Bette Leonard, presi-dent and John L Crowley secretary dent, and John J. Crowley, secretary, announced.

At 90 an old-timer credits his health to outdoor living and an old prejudice against eating away from cookhouses.

Murphy Stillman, 29, Houston, groom with Ringling-Barnum, suf-fered a broken ankle when he stepped off a float during the show in Kansas City, Mo. He was given emergency treatment by Dr. Robert R. Harris, circus medical director, and then taken to St. Joseph's Hospital.

Robert Mills, leader, and Jack Sweetman, drummer, with the Wal-lenda band until closing Labor Day in Chicago, renewed acquaintances with Swede Knudesen, bass player, and Eddie Broze, trumpet, of Col. Armond Hand's band when in Chi-cago. cago.

K. J. Becker, novelty agent from Elkart, Ind., and Clyde Mallory, ad-vertising manager for the Maryland Better Homes Exposition, recently Better Homes Exposition, recently held a get-together in Pimlico, Md. Becker and Mallory were with the old Barnum and Bailey Circus years ago, working on the No. 1 car.

Everybody seems to know all about circuses except owners who continue to play the roles of rank-know-nothing as they continue to stack up the dough

Bill Humphrey, who joined Ring-ling-Barnum in Pittsburgh, writes that Dick Burns, porter, closed in Chicago and has opened a dry clean-Chicago and has opened a dry clean-ing establishment in Sarasota, Fla. He has been replaced on the Ringling org by Eddie Gallagher. Working with Gallagher are Roy Coster, Bill Humphrey, Lee Brown, Jack Robin-son, Don Huck and Chicken Charley.

Roscoe Armstrong, owner of the bucking car act, recently underwent a major operation at the Comer Sanitarium, Mooresville, Ind. He ex-pects to be a patient there until the latter part of this month. His com-edy car, being presented this year by his son, opened September 8 on the E. R. Braly Circus.

Doc Waddell, who marked his 85th birthday August 26, was honored when Mills Bros. played Topeka, Kan. Just before the evening per-formance got under way, Doc was called to the center ring where the band and audience played and sang Happy Birthday To You. Betty Goody, on behalf of the show, pre-sented Doc with a bible and also a fountain pen, the latter a gift from W. D. (Doc) Winters, Columbus, O.

Side show fat man that has never lived the experience of sleeping double in  $\alpha$ berth with another attraction of his kind doesn't know what trouping is.

to sit under a circus top. Effic Dutton, mother of Jim Dut-ton, and member of the original Dut-ton, and member of the original Dut-

## King's March Thru Georgia Is Paying Off

MACON, Ga., Sept. 13.—King Bros." tour of Georgia is paying off and the tour of Georgia is paying off and the show hit the jackpot here with an overflow and a turnaway, Wednesday (10). Customers were at the ring curbs at the matinee and it was a turnaway at night. Visitors here in-cluded Charles Sparks, former circus owner; Bill Franks, carnival owner; Paul M. Conaway, former circus press agent; Roy Fox, veteran rep operator, and Dave Durrett, former pit show op with Mighty Haag. Walter and Flora Guice, who formerly resided in Ma-con, were visited by many friends. Owner Floyd King was a dinner guest in the home of Paul Conaway. Ine two had trouped together 20 years ago. ago.

Business at Albany, Ga., was good, considering the weather. Rain hurt attendance at night, altho show had a three-quarter house after a light matinee. Moultrie, Ga., gave with two strong houses, despite hot weather. In Savannah the show had two full

org played on the fair grounds, op-posite Dodson's Tavern, and both C. G. and M. G. Dodson spent most of the day on the lot renewing old acquaintances.

## Fort Worth Proves **Okay for Gainesville**

FORT WORTH, Sept. 13. — The Gainesville Community circus did Gainesville Community circus did okay business on a three-day stand here. Opening Thursday (4), show drew around 2,000 spectators in the Coliseum, not air-conditioned, which seats around 4,000. Evelyn Kapps was slightly injured opening night when she failed to break her slide down the 200-foot wire. She con-tinued in another act later in the show, however. show, however.

show, however. Second night business was better with 3,200 persons on hand. The Lib-erty horses had trouble, however, floor of Coliseum being too slippery for them. Weather, too, was hot and that held down attendance. Final night org did sellout business, every seat in the building being occu-pied and plenty of folks standing. Ad-vance publicity for the show was good but there was no follow-up on the second and third nights.

layout on the show, kept his cameras clicking steadily. For one picture, Roberts "shot" Doc Harris putting a bandage on the shapely ankle of Mildred Keathley, aeralist with the Ward Bell Troupe.

Cole Bros. purchased Silver King, prize Palomino owned by Mr. and Mrs. Pat Chrisman, well-known ranch couple who reside southwest of Lawton, Okla., when the Cole org played Lawton. Mrs. Chrisman formerly was a featured performer with the Sells-Floto Circus until she suf-fered two broken legs during a trick-riding act and was forced to retire from show business.

Having slowed up somewhat with the years, the old-timer that invented the ideas of cutting a little cake, promoting a few laprobes, buggywhips and lunch baskets from buggies now finds that today's troup ing youngsters aren't behaving well.

Walter D. Nealand, veteran press representative for King Bros. re-ports that he visited in Macon, Ga., with Charles Sparks. Sparks re-cently returned from a vacation in cently returned from a vacation in Hot Springs and was the guest of Owner Floyd King of the King Bros. Circus, when the org played Macon Wednesday (10). In Savannah, Ga., Nealand visited Guy and Mel Dodson. (See Under the Marquee on page 106)

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# Coney Island Queen's Death Plans for Funspot By Fire in Pittsburgh Robs Snagged by Voters **Cincinnatians of 'Landmark'**

#### River Steamer Hauled 540,000 Passengers a Year

CINCINNATI, Sept. 13. — The the Queen's regular park season ac-Steamer Island Queen, one of the most popular excursion boats on the inland waterways, which was de- which were carried on annually for several weeks prior to park's formal most popular excursion boats on the inland waterways, which was de-stroyed by fire in an explosion at Pittsburgh shortly before noon Tues-day (9), bringing death to 19 of its crew members and injury to a score more of the ship's complement, was a highly integral part of the opera-tion of Coney Island Amusement Park here, generally regarded as one of the finest funspots in the nation. The catastronbe on the Mononga-

The catastrophe on the Mononga-hela River removed from Cincinnati one of its most familiar and beloved landmarks. It was considered that even the it was a river steamer-by countless thousands of Cincinnatians and patrons from far away points to whom it has meant pleasure, recrea-tion and excitement. The Queen, the second largest river excursion steamer second largest river excursion steamer in the country, had a length of 286 feet, a beam of 59, and could accom-modate 4,000 persons on its spacious five decks. A two-stacker, she was built in 1924 and the Cone: Island Company acquired her in 1925, using it annually during the regular park season and on numerous excursion tours for the past decade, some of them taking her as far south as New Orleans for the Mardi Gras.

#### Lengthy Tour

The Island Queen, which left Cin-cinnati Labor Day at the conclusion of Coney Island's regular season, was of Coney Island's regular season, was to have staged a series of excursions which would have taken it farther north than at any time in its his-tory on the Ohio River. It had suc-cessfully completed its moonlight dance sessions out of Portsmouth, Gallipolis, Marietta and Steubenville, O and arrived in Bittsburgh Saturday (6). She was to have remained in Pittsburgh for 10 days, making nightly trips before returning to her dock at the public landing here.

During the war years, when trans-During the war years, when trans-portation was at a minimum, fun-seekers flocked to the Queen to take advantage of its huge, glass-enclosed dance floor and varied entertainment devices to win at least brief respite from war nerves. For a quarter of a century, for equal thousands, it has meant the only source of trans-portation to Coney's funspot, as it did during the war.

#### Averages 540,000 Per Year

Coney Island officials revealed this week that the craft hit an average total of 540,000 passengers each year for the last five years. This figure, they said, represented the totals for

## **Nevins Scores Again** With Mrs. America **Event at Palisades**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- Bert Nevins, drumbeater for Palisades Park, scored again with his ninth promo-tion of the annual *Mrs. America* con-test, which drew good attendance to the park for its closing week and re-ceived wide press coverage.

More than 100 contestants appeared

More than 100 contestants appeared in the elimination sessions on Wednes-day and Thursday nights (3-4), and the winners were picked Friday. Judges included Helen Jepson, opera star; Bill Miller, night club op-erator; Maggie McNiellis and Herb Sheldon, of radio; comedian Georgie Price, and columnist Nick Kenny.

the Queen's regular park season ac-tivities plus its dance excursions which were carried on annually for several weeks prior to park's formal opening and for several weeks after the funspot's closing.

The Queen's spacious ballroom.

The Queen's spacious ballroom, which proved a mecca for dancers for over 20 years, accommodated 3,500 persons, and its outer decks sported some 35 coin machines, all of which were lost in the holocaust. Clyde Trask's 16-man ork was in its 11th season on the boat and had completed its fourth season at the park on Labor Day. Trask sustained slight burns and shock, the result of diving from the flaming wreckage. He was treated at a Pittsburgh hos-pital. None of the other members of the ork was on the boat at the time of the explosion. Ork's instru-ments and wardrobe, of unestimated value, also were lost, as were the group's musical arrangements and re-cent recordings, all valued at \$4.000 recordings, all valued at \$4.000 cent by Trask.

#### Replacement Enigma

Edward L. Schott, president and general manager of the Coney Island Company, estimated the loss to the Queen alone at \$600,000 which, he Queen alone at \$600,000 which, he said, was pretty well covered by insurance. Altho it is known that Schott and members of the Coney Island Company consider a boat synonymous with the park's opera-tion, a replacement for the ill-fated. Queen became a matter of conjecture this week. It is believed that it will this week. It is believed that it will be possible to raise the Queen's hull and build a superstructure to re-place that destroyed in the Pittsburgh place that destroyed in the Pittsburgh holocaust. Other sources were mull-ing the possibility of the company's acquiring another steamer capable of handling the Coney Island crowds. Schott said late this week that "it was the unanimous opinion of the company's board of directors to re-place or rebuild the Island Queen," adding that there are numerous prob-lems involved before it can become a

place or rebuild the Island Queen," adding that there are numerous prob-lems involved before it can become a reality. Among the boats mentioned was the Delta Queen, currently being readied for passenger traffic on the Ohio River by the Green Line. Other boats of the size required are the President and the Admiral, both of which are being operated from St. Louis. Rivermen doubted, however, that either could be purchased or leased for Coney Island service. The Queen was the third large steamboat of the Coney Island Com-pany to fall victim to fire. The initial Island Queen, which made her first trip to the park 7 ay 30, 1896, was destroyed by flames in a holo-caust that swept thru the Cincinnati harbor November 4, 1922. She was destroyed along with three other steamboats, the Chris Green, Morn-ing Star and Tacoma. A smaller ves-sel, the Coney Island Maid, was pur-chased by the company and put into service here a year later. The Maid caught fire while being repaired in dry dock at Madison, Ind., and was destroyed with a loss estimated at \$200,000. \$200,000.

#### Start Week-End Operation

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 13.—River-side Amusement Park here will be open on week-ends only after today and will continue until weather pre-vents. The amusement center will open at 7:30 p.m. each Saturday and ot 1 pm Sundays. The roller will at 1 p.m. Sundays. The will remain open nightly. The roller rink

# At Westboro, Mass.,

WESTBORO, Mass., Sept. 13. Plans for a new amusement park here struck a snag this week when 250 voters protested to the board of selectmen against a permit for the project

Joseph Pezzella, owner of the 1880 Club on the Boston-Worcester turn-Club on the Boston-Worcester turn-pike in this town, earlier announced plans for the park on the grounds near his night spot. Work has begun on a theater to seat 500. Also planned were a swim pool, dance hall, Whip, Dodgem, Mer-

pool, dance hall, Whip, Dodgem, Mer-ry-Go-Round and other rides. Selectmen also said they had re-ceived a petition signed by 380 voters opposing the new park. They will set a date for a public hearing. Objec-tors were mostly residents of the neighborhood near the club.

### L. I. State Spots Set **Attendance Mark**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—During the 1947 season ended Labor Day, more persons visited the Long Island State parks than in any previous year, the park commission announced. Total attendance reached a record high of 6,525.000. Of this number 4,163,000 visited Jones Beach. New fall program at Jones Beach

New fall program at Jones Beach provides for swimming thru Sunday August 28

Altho the Marine Dining Room has Altho the Martine Duning Room has closed for the season, park refresh-ment stands will remain open during September and the food bar at the Central Mall Cafeteria will be open all the year around.

## **Revere Beach Rides**, **Conceshes** Operating

BOSTON, Sept. 13.-Revere Beach will continue to operate its conces-sions thru the fall and some will re-main open thruout the winter. All rides and shows will remain open well into November. The 1947 season has been the most

The 1947 season has been the most successful in history. It is estimated more than 5,000,000 persons visited from Memorial Day thru Labor Day. The Nantasket boats also have con-tinued to operate since Labor Day. The Steel Pier, boat to Provincetown, has gone into dry dock. All concessions at Hampton, Rye and Salishury beacher will remain

and Salisbury beaches will remain open to catch the famed New England Indian summer.

#### W. Palm Beach Civitans **Consider Setting Up Zoo**

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Sept. 13. WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Sept. 13. —A civitan committee has been appointed to consider possibility of establishing a zoo here, with animals to be supplied by W. A. (Snake) King, animal hunter from Browns-ville, Tex., at no cost to the city. King's daughter, Pauline, told the committee she and her father desired to set up the zoo here because of its proximity to air lines to South Amer-cia where the animals are caught ica where the animals are caught. She reported she and her father would maintain and operate the zoo and altho animals brought here would remain only temporarily, awaiting shipment, "there would be a varied stock of zoological game kept here at all times."

#### **100G for Improvements**

WESTPORT, Conn., Sept. 13.-Enlargement and improvement of Compo Beach here was a step nearer realization after the finance board recommended that \$100,000 be appropriated for the project.

## **Bornstein Gives Promotion** Tips For Mini Train

a large portion of straight or circus promotion, a steady stream of pub-licity in all media and a generous dash of Hollywood exploitation. That, says Sam Bornstein, owner of Born-stein Concession Company, is the formula for successful and profitable Mini Train operation.

"I used to think that to be success-ful, a Miniatu e Train had to be close to the zoo to catch the children and the naturally curious crowd you get around a zoo," Bornstein said. "But in our Griffiths Park operation in Los Angeles, which we opened last April, we have found you can operate miles from the zoo. We also have found that a Miniature Train, properly exploited, isn't just a ride for the kiddies, but for adults as well. Out on the Coast, it has been just about 50-50 between children and adults. **Even R. R. Men Ride** "I used to think that to be success-

#### Even R. R. Men Ride

"Why, we have even had railroad engineers out there riding our trains and telling us what a train we've got." Bornstein said. "I had no idea how good a train it was until they started telling me about it. And we have had the model train parche art have had the model train people out, too. They are having a convention out there this fall, and they all ex-pect to ride our train."

Bornstein said he has been apply-Bornstein said he has been apply-ing what he has learned in California about train promotion to his layouts in Brookside Park at Cleveland and the one in Swope Park here with pleasing results. In fact, he rather expects to break some records at both places. The L. A. train has carried 350,000 passengers already this year and it is expected to run the total up to nearly 500,000 before the sea-son's end. The one in Cleveland has hauled about 200,000 and the one in Swope is expected to haul 250,000 during the season. Both the Griffiths during the season. Both the Griffiths Park and the Brookside trains are streamliners while the K. C. one is a steam train.

California train has been featured in Look magazine and used as a background for a double-page fashion -read in the California Stylist as well as on the cover of The Billboard. Less spectacular than these spreads Less spectacular than these spreads is the steady plugging in the subur-ban sheets, which Bornstein believes is the greatest puller of cash custo-mers. L. A. promotion also has been tied closely to the movie colony and such stars as Margaret O'Biren, Red Skelton and Abbott and Costello fea-tured. Pictures of Margaret O'Brien christening the train were inserted in an MGM newsreel and shown thru-out the country. out the country.

#### Has Promotion Tie-Up

On the steam train at Swope Park, On the steam train at Swope Park, he has been working out a promo-tional tie-up with the Missouri Pa-cific Railroad, which has assigned Louis Hoppe to work with Bornstein in setting up realistic one-fifth scale bridges, trestles, water tower, tele-graph lines and an automatic signal system. Train here is going into its fourth year of operation. Herman Reuter manages the Brook-

Herman Reuter manages the Brook-Herman Reuter manages the Brook-side train, which was installed last year, and Floyd Wells handles the one in L. A., with Dave Olin of the agency, Olin & Friedel, handling the promotion. Butch Rabinowitz is manager of the train here. Born-stein also operates the Miniature Train at the zoo in Toledo's Wall-bridge Park. It is managed by Glenn Symes. Symes.

Bornstein is strong for authenticity on the small trains. "If you want to really glamorize and dramatize this ride, it has to be authentic," he de-(Bornstein Gives Promotion, page 94) 64 **PARKS-RESORTS-POOLS** 

## **Idle Hour Gets Plenty of Kale** At Labor Cele

PHENIX CITY, Ala., Sept. 13.— Idle Hour Park, managed by Jesse L. Marlowe, baled up plenty of cash here at the two-week labor celebration, sponsored every year by the Central Labor Union, in what Mar-lowe described as the "greatest La-bor Day celebration ever held in this part of the country."

Central Labor Union, according to Marlowe, has some 10,000 members in this community and a goodly portion of them were on hand for the various events at Idle Hour.

events at Idle Hour. Noted guests included Gov. M. E. Thompson, of Georgia; James E. Fol-som, of Alabama, and Senator An-drews, of Alabama, the last named being entertained by the local Cham-ber of Commerce. University bands were featured during the two weeks, including the University of Georgia band for dancing in the ballroom. Climary of the hig event was the

Climax of the big event was the appearance of Herman Talmadge, who spoke to a capacity throng in the football stadium. He was en-tertained at a dinner by Roy Martin, park owner.

Johnny T. Tinsley Shows, with 14 major rides, were booked for the two weeks as an added attraction.

New administration building at the park airport was dedicated, plane rides were offered the public for \$1, and various sports events, including baseball games, swimming contests and boating were scheduled. Bowling and boating were scheduled. Bowing proved popular and the new B-1 automatic pin setters were used for the first time. Park recently added a new Moon Rocket and Merry-Go-Round, both of which received big plays during the celebration.

## Paragon, Boston, **Reports OK Season**

BOSTON, Sept. 13.—Altho a slump in spending generally was noted, the Stones, operators of Paragon Park, Nantasket Beach fun center, report a successful season. Mrs. Rose Stone, treasurer; Joseph Stone, president, and Lawrence (Larry) Stone, man-ager, were assisted by Jimmy In-fusing and Boss Letora. fusino and Ross Letora.

Considerable money was spent in refurbishing Paragon for its 48th searefurbishing Paragon for its 48th sea-son. A free parking space, embracing 10,000 square yards and including a bus terminal, was constructed. New scenery was designed and installed in the Old Mill by Al Nichols of Hud-son, N. H. Tommy Moran, with a special crew, redecorated the Merry-Go-Round. New Rocket cars, manu-factured by R. E. Chambers, were installed on the circle swing. The Lagoon, which surrounds the island on which is located the Merry-Go-Round and Rocket, was reconstructed. New flower beds were installed at a cost of \$2,000. Paragon this year resumed its pre-

cost of \$2,000. Paragon this year resumed its pre-war policy of presenting free acts. Acts were booked thru Al Martin and George A. Hanid. Included were Penny Millette, Winifred Colleano, Flying Hartzells. The Berosinis, Star Dusters, Vern Orton, Frank Cook, The Harvey Girls, Winnie and Dolly, and the Cycling Kirks.

The wall on the Funhouse was removed to make room for five new games, installed and operated by Harry Prince. Name bands were used in the Chateau Ballroom.

Concessionaires included Joe Cohen and Sam Levy, doll games: Mrs. Ca-tulle, Wonderland; John Simmons, Hilarity Hall: Lehage, Inc., food and soft orinks, and Fred Freeman, skating rink.

## Sitting 'Round the Table

(Editor's Note: This marks the opening gun on the new question, "Do you believe the expense of a first-aid department in your park is financially worth-while?" Some park owners and operators already have sent in their replies. If you haven't voiced your opinion on this subject as yet, do so now and mail it to the outdoor editor, The Billboard. 155 North Clark Street, Chicago 1, III.)

#### Definitely Worth While

Yes. we definitely believe a first-aid department is financially worth while and is part of a successful plan of operation in any park. We maintain a first-aid department

staffed by a registered nurse at all times. We give first aid to our patimes. We give first aid to our pa-trons who are in need of such treat-ment. We have found this gives us better control and more accurate re-ports on our accidents; it is greatly appreciated by the public to walk into an immaculately clean first-aid de-partment that is staffed by a nurse in uniform

in uniform. We consider this department a very important part of our operation and give it our personal attention.—J. R. SINGHISER, Fontaine Ferry Park, Louisville, Ky.

Money Worth Doubted I am in doubt about the financial worth of such a department, but from a moral standpoint and a humanistic service, I certainly believe all parks should, in some fashion, have first aid as a measure of good will and serious accident prevention.

accident prevention. In our particular case, being a beach resort park, it is necessary to have first aid and life guards for both swimming pool operation and ocean bathing. Therefore, it is defi-nitely essential that we always give considerable thought to the upkeep of such a department.—FRANK D. SHEAN, Casino Park, Virginia Beach, Va. Va.

#### Necessary Service

We think first aid is a necessary and indispensable part of our service

#### **Rex Ingham Moves Stock** Into New Ruffin Rent

RUFFIN, N. C., Sept. 13.—Rex M. Ingham, animal dealer, has moved in his new plant, and tho not completed, the new animal barn is well enough under way to house stock. Dr. George D. Barrett and Carl Simpson are back after their summer vacation and are getting two mammal units ready for school tour. Mrs. D. B. Shores, who has been with Ingham for years but this summer is ahead of Boden's Burro Ball, is also in quarters here getting a bird unit ready to open in schools.

a bird unit ready to open in schools. Recent visitors were Mr. and Mrs. I. W. Boden, burro ball owners and their crew of working men, various members of the McBride Shows and Roxie Gatto Shows exhibiting in nearby Danville, Va. Rex recently visited members of the King Bros.' advance in Spartan-burg, S. C., and Kitty Kelly, side show operator with McBride Bros.' at Schoolfield, Va.

to the public, especially where you have a recreational program the year around. Accidents do happen once in a while and when they do happen our first-aid department is on the job. The cost is infinitesimal.—J. GUL-GER, Veterans Park District, Melrose Park II Park, Ill.

### **Riverview** Notes By Hank Hurley-

CHICAGO, Sept. 13. - Because CHICAGO, Sept. 13. — Because space was limited last week it was impossible to get in all of this column. Here are some additional notes in future plans of various concession-aires: Two employees in the coke game who will make the fairs are Frank Miller and Jean Runge.

Morris and Dorothy Belden say they plan a short fishing trip before jumping to Chattanooga, Memphis and Birmingham for the annuals.... John and Elizabeth Kruto, dish game, plan to stay in Chicago and take care of other business interests. John, inof other business interests. John, in-cidentally, has been working River-view for 21 years... Only one of the Barclays, who operate a ball game, is decided on immediate plans. George says he'll make the fairs but his dad, 'Yarry, and brother, Jack, haven't decided what they'll do... Happy Rovitz, who has been making a few fairs, was due in Chi this week to join his wife, Ida, and Eddie Lazar for a tour of the Southern annuals, namely, Memphis, Birmingham and Columbus, Ga., to mention a few. The line-up at Ray Marsh Brydon's

Columbus, Ga., to mention a few. The line-up at Ray Marsh Brydon's Palace of Wonders will move to Hutchinson, Kan. Those making the jaunt include Professor Mehoff, Zom-bie, Chief Blackwolf, Sam (Digesto) Smith; Helen and Stella Royal, the midgets, and Little Lord Leo, who will have charge of the Midget Show. Sam Battagalia left Wednesday (10) to join his rabbit game, which has been out on the road making fairs, at Spencer, Ia. His wife and daughter, both named Dorothy, will take a vacation trip to New York. Sam says Joe Larson and George Verry, both of whom were in Lin-coln, Neb., met him in Spencer. . . The gang at the hoop-la stand, . . . The gang at the hoop-la stand, Esther and George Felke, Bertha Mayer and Enda Kaai, will make Oklahoma City and then Dal-las. Esther Felke had visitors at the hoop-la stand Wednesday (3) in the persons of her aunt, Mrs. Julia See-lig, and a friend, Irene Zyburt, both Sam Battagalia left Wednesday lig, and a friend, Irene Zyburt, both of Chicago.

With the park closing Sunday (7), this will conclude this column for the winter months. Be back next spring.

By L Police officials and celebs headed by Police Commissioner Arthur Wal-lander reviewed Police Night, the first of the 1947 Mardi Gras parades, Monday (8) from the official review-ing stand on the balcony of Feltman's following a banquet. After a platoon of blue coats came members of the Iceberg A. C., the boys who bathe in the surf in the coldest of winter. Oldest of the flock, 86, was singled out by George McCullough for a bouquet. Also in the march were the Blue Jacket Guard and a contin-gent of the First Army. Mixed in were a cluster of clowns and floats. Tuesday (9) was Firemen's Night; Wednesday. Veterans': Thursday. Knights of Columbus; Friday, Ameri-can Legion, and Saturday, baby

parade. C. J. Hilbert was prexy of the carnival group and I. H. Klein was grand marshall. Andrea, 5-year-old daughter of

Andrea, 5-year-old daughter of Mori Fremon, newspaper writer, was in the baby turnout attired in a Mexican outfit... Lee Carlen, drum-mer, back from a USO tour to join with Bill Errante and Harvey Kane for a three-piece ork that played all season at the Eagle Cafe, is visit-ing his Montreal home. On his re-turn Buddie Fryer will book the trio for hotels and niteries. ... Herman Rapp, Fascination group game maker and operator on the island and at other spots, celebrated the opening of a newly erected structure on a leased plot of ground on West 50th Street, *(See Coney Island on page 107)* 

## **Century Flyer** Is New Addition **At Benson Farm**

NASHUA, N. H., Sept. 13.—A new eight-car Century Flyer, made by the National Amusement Device Com-pany, Dayton, O., is being installed at Benson's Wild Animal Farm here, the first ride at the farm, incidentally.

The farm, originally started as a The farm, originally started as a health resort by John Benson, is owned by Raymond Lapham, Boston, and is managed by Vera Lovejoy, formerly Lapham's secretary until he purchased the farm and put her in charge. Farm consists of some 400 acres with more than 100 acres de-voted to the actual housing of ani-mals. mals.

mais. In addition to Miss Lovejoy, the staff includes Henry Gendron, super-intendent, and a staff of 40 animal handlers and maintenance men. Farm operates from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and at various hours animal acts

and at various hours animal acts are given. Feature attraction is Joe Walsh, animal trainer, who presents an act with four lions and nine uigers. The act plays with the Hamid-Mor-ton Circus during the winter. Attendance at the farm this year is running between 3,000 and 4,000 on week days and as high as 25,000 Sundays. Officials are considering night operation next summer and winter operation with skiing and skating, etc. The Century Flyer, officials said, will be operated as a jungle ride. The right of way extends thru the woodlands along the ravine for 1,800 feet. It is planned to install jungle settings and wild animal cages thru-out the route.

#### Worcester, Mass., Nitery **Op Planning Funspot**

WORCESTER, Mass., Sept. 13. – Joseph Pezzella, owner of the 1880 Club, popular nitery on the Boston-Worcester turnpike in Westboro, an-

Worcester turnpike in Westboro, an-nounces plans to erect an amusement park on the grounds around the club. Plans include installation of a Whip, Dodgem and Merry-Go-Round. A theater seating 500 and an outdoor ballroom also are planned. Work has begun on the theater and is ex-pected to be completed in two months. Stage revues will be featured. The night club owner hopes to have rides and ballroom in operation next

rides and ballroom in operation next summer.

## **Order Nipmuc Funspot**

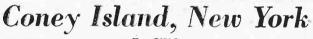
To Clean Up Burlesque MENDON, Mass., Sept. 13.—Bur-lesque shows at Nipmuc Park have been ordered "to clean up the shows" by the town selectmen. Action stems from a protest made by town clergy-men and parent-teacher groups at a meeting August 18. The order from the selectmen does not han hurlesque at Lake Nipmuc

not ban burlesque at Lake Nipmuc. It merely orders the management to keep it clean and sets up a set of censorship rules.

#### **Holyoke Continues Dances**

HOLYOKE, Mass., Sept. 13.—Moun-tain Park closed its season Sunday (7), but its ballroom will continue to operate on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays during September.

CAN USE A few Novelty Acts for Sunday dates at HILLBILLY PARK Locared 15 miles from Zanesville, Ohio. Acts in this locality contact EDDIE RUTON Resson St. NEWARK, OHIO 40 Jefferson St.



## Suburban Biz **Off Labor Day**

MANLIUS, N. Y., Sept. 13.-Labor Day week-end business at Suburban Park here was off about 20 per cent on refreshments, 30 per cent on rides and 40 per cent on dancing, according to Fred W. Searle, owner-manager. Weather was fair and warm Saturday and Monday and fair and cold Sunday

day. "Attendance was off probably 25 per cent, but since we have no paid gate it's hard to tell exactly," Searle said. "We lay the drop in attend-ance to normal end-of-the-season checkening and the increase in the slackening and the increase in the number of near-by field days and fairs. Our only extra attraction was fireworks Labor Day night which drew only a fair crowd," he said.

Searle said people have tightened up on spending in the last few weeks and he believes this is caused by the increased cost of living and the slow-ing of work in industrial plants.

"The drop in receipts is quite noticeable on the rides, especially on the major rides that cost up to 20 cents. The Merry-Go-Round and kid-die rides seem to be holding up better than the adult rides," Searle said.

The park will open week-ends dur-ing September. Dancing is held on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday nights. Barn dances Thursday nights have gone over better than the mod-ern dances all season. The season will close Tuesday (30) with a big barn dance.

#### Jones Beach Adds Five **Acres of Parking Space**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—An addi-tional five acres of parking space soon will be opened at Jones Beach to provide a total of 88 acres. Another five-acre tract is contemplated for next year.

The increased length of new automobiles was given as the cause of the shortage of parking space which exshortage of parking space which ex-isted at the beach on three separate occasions this year. Only 180 cars can be parked on an acre now as against 200 three or four years ago. When the project is completed there will be room for 15,840 cars.

#### Howard Rowe, Jeff. Beach Concesh, Escapes Crash

DETROIT, Sept. 13. — Howard Rowe, who operates an airplane ride concession at Jefferson Beach Park, is recovering from injuries sustained when his plane crashed August 17, apparently due to mechanical fail-ure, into Lake St. Clair. He had three friends and relatives aboard in an after-hours flight when the tragedy occurred, resulting in the death of his brother, John, of Toronto, a radio commentator and the latter's seven-year-old son, Donald.

#### Frank Shean Stops Spread **Of** Fire at Virginia Beach

NORFOLK, Sept. 13.—Some quick thinking by Frank D. (Doc) Shean, operator and manager of Virginia Beach, prevented the spread of a fire Beach, prevented the spread of a fire which started at the beach when the main power switch was struck by a bolt of lightning August 20. In spite of flying sparks, Shean disconnected the switch and an employee utilized a chemical container, extinguishing the burning insulation around the wires before the firemen around wires before the firemen arrived.

Miniature Joe Short, cowboy clown at the Detroit Zoo, visited *The Bill-board* New York offices Friday (5). He was in the East to attend the funeral of his niece. He plans to make winter indoor circus dates with Orrin Davenport again.

## Strolling Thru the Park Sheck Entertains Summit Beach **Employees at Farewell Dinner**

The Billboard

Beach Park, Akron, under its present management without a major acci-dent, Edward Sheck, public relations director, entertained several hundred park employees at a season's farewell dinner in the Mayflower Hotel, Ak-ron, Monday night (8).

ron, Monday night (8). Sheck hailed the efforts of the park employees on the safety record, say-ing the park's liability insurance rate was one of the lowest among the na-tion's amusement spots. He also con-gratulated Frank Raful, manager, on his-success, despite bad weather and other obstacles. Sheck said the season was not the best the park ever registered but said "it has been a prosperous and pleasant one."

President Sawyer also expressed his appreciation to the employees for

their work this summer. Sheck, accompanied by his wife and daughter, Mary Louise, left Tuesday (9) for New England, while Mr. and Mrs. Frank Raful departed for Cali-fornia. Mrs. Raful is the former Sen-sational Marion, aerial star.

Joe Colihan, manager of Excelsior Joe Colihan, manager of Excelsior Park, Minneapolis, is proud of the fact, and rightly so, that Excelsior's entrant, Elaine Campbell, of Min-neapolis, was the runner-up in the finals of the Atlantic City beauty contest. Miss Campbell, incidentally, is the daughter of Bernie Campbell, city editor of *The Minneapolis Times*. Colihan says his park will be open week-ends thru Sunday (28) and on

week-ends thru Sunday (28) and on the final day the park will give away a pony, saddle and two bicycles. Sunday (13) the park gave away two bicycles. The giveaway programs are hypoing attendance, Colihan says.

red W. Pearce and his son, Fred Jr., Detroit, visited Excelsior Park, Minneapolis, owned by Pearce, to confer with Manager Joe Colihan about plans, repairs and alterations<sup>\*</sup> for next season.

At Paragon Park, Nantasket Beach, Mass., Owner Mrs. Dave Stone, now approaching her 80th year, still re-tains active management of the park, assisted by her son, Larry, who is busy planning various improvements, including the addition of a major ride and plant of face lifting all around and plenty of face lifting all around, especially on the funhouse and skating rink.

Charles Paige, Coaster engineer of the National Amusement Device Company, Dayton, O., made a tour of Eastern states and then visited at his home in Los Angeles.

Charles McDermond, president of Beehive Midways and proprietor of the Exposition Midway, Salt Lake City, was hospitalized for a few weeks but is okay again.

At Green Oaks Kiddieland, 95th and Crawford avenues, Oaklawn, Ill., Mike Doolan has completed the channel for a kiddie boatride and expects to have 10 small motor-powered boats in operation.

The rebuilt Roller Coaster is in full operation at Silver Beach Park, St. Joseph, Mich. Owner M. J. Drake and Manager H. J. Terrill report business on the ride surpassed previous years.

John Clair, of Crescent Park, Riverside, R. I., is mighty proud of his new ride, a park-type Flying Scooter.

Don Dazey, of Le Sourdsville Lake Park, Middletown, O., second vice-president of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and

Hailing the 11th season of Summit Beaches, and chairman of the pro-each Park, Akron, under its present gram committee for the NAAPB December convention, conferred in Chi-cago Friday and Saturday (12-13) with Paul H. Huedepohl, NAAPPB secretary. Dazey reported he already has started work on his convention program and hopes to have it set in the next month or se the next month or so.

> Owners Denny Mulcahy and Gene Dean, Salisbury Beach, Mass., wonder why it is that on the seashore the heat wave comes in the middle of the week and the cold spells come over the week-end.

At Old Orchard Ocean Pier, Own-ers John W. Duffy and his sons, How-ard and Wilfred, are reported shopping around for a barrel of lobsters to send a certain amusement device manufacturer who they claim gives better service with such a bribe.

Plenty of work has been done the last year at Pine Island Park, Manchester, N. H. More than \$25,000 has been spent in sod and ground improvements alone, with an additional \$250,000 agains for a an additional \$50,000 going for a new paved parking lot, new fronts on rides and a general rebuild-ing of existing equipment. New company is headed by Barney Williams, president; J. E. Mod-glin, first vice-president; Al Do-nati, second vice-president, and I. S. Dunn, manager and secretary.

Louis Cernocky, owner of Fox River Picnic Grove, Chicago, an-nounces the Hawthorn Hunting and Fishing Club of Western Electric Company, the Continental Illinois Bank & Trust Company and the Com-munications Workers' Union, which held large picnics in Fox River Grove last year, have made reservations ogain for this year again for this year.

Olympic Park, Irvington, N. J., went into its final week September 7 with a special circus bill featuring the Juggling Jewels, fem club slingers; Bill Williston, magician; the Skating Rockwells and Bohn and Matthews, aero comics. Park shuttered Sunday (14).

Paul Huedepohl, secretary of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches, and Mrs. Huedepohl were visitors at the Ca-nadian National Exhibition, Toronto, and other attended the Dependencia and also attended the Pennsylvania Association of Parks at Hershey. On the trip the Huedepohls visited various parks.

#### **Conn. Running Ahead** Of Last Year's Receipts

NEW LONDON, Conn., Sept. 13.-Speaking before the Ocean Beach Park Board here, City Manager Ed-ward R. Henkle termed the park sea-son "very successful." He said total net receipts up to and including Au-gust 26 were \$172,328.52, as com-pared with \$160,735.42, up to Au-gust 27 of 1946.

The board voted to pay ASCAP \$540 in dues, which permits the beach to have musical programs.

### **PARKS-RESORTS-POOLS**

#### Canandaigua, N. Y., Spot Draws 30,000 on Week-End

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CANANDAIGUA, N. Y., Sept. 13.— Labor Day week-end attendance at Roseland Park here was 30,000, ac-cording to William Muar, manager, who recently returned from attending the Pennsylvania Park Association mention. Muar, with Labor Day at meeting. Muar said Labor Day at-tendance, which hit the 11,000 mark, was 35 per cent ahead of last year. As a special Labor Day feature,

Muar had 100 children from a dancing and singing school showing in a one-hour and 20-minute amateur show.

### City Offered Option

KNOXVILLE, Sept. 13.—The city of Knoxville, which operates Chilhowee Park, has been offered an option on approximately 60 acres adjoining the present park site at \$650 per. City Manager Robert L. Morrison will ask members of the city real estate board for an appraisal.



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KY. GETS SUPPORT, CLIMBS

# Press, Radio For, With It

Gate, grandstand, midway run ahead of '47-entries soar-big machinery show

#### By Herb Dotten

By Herb Dotten LOUISVILLE. Sept. 13.—The 1947 edition of the Kentucky State Fair, which opened here Sunday (7) and continues thru tonight, is topping the 1946 version in practically every re-spect, yet it is a long way from the avowed objective of being a truly representative State fair.

Gate attendance, grandstand pa-tronage and midway business are running far ahead of last year, when the event, caught in the web of Ken-tucky's own peculiar brand of poli-tics, was belted from pillar to post, not only by the politicoes but by the all-powerful newspapers in this city.

#### Given Staunch Support

all-powerful newspapers in this city. Given Staunch Support The newspapers this year are for —and with—the fair and its ex. Except for pokes at midway games, the gazettes have given staunch. con-stant support to the fair's new offi-cers, Manager J. O. (Jack) Matlick and General Superintendent J. C. Wehrley. A veteran in various offi-cial capacities here, Wehrley, who had been on the outside, looking in, was returned as an exec recently to aid Matlick, who had taken over as manager several months ago. Radio stations, as well as news-papers, also have provided solid sup-port, all of the outlets being repre-sented on the grounds and each let-ting out with helpful plugs, both before and after the opening. Last year, the fair lacked this solid sup-port, some of the stations having vitually by-passed the event. The 1947 edition also has been helped by the fact the Coliseum, unavailable last year due to its con-tinued occupancy by the War Assets Administration, was freed for use by the horse show, traditionally a big feature here. This enabled the grand-stand to be used for a combination circus and vaude type show, which has been doing well, compared to previous offerings. Entries in practically every live.

#### Entries Soar

Entries in practically every live-stock classification are far above last year. In fact, entries were curbed in some departments because of the lack of adequate facilities even after the of adequate facilities even after the tents were pressed into use. Com-mercial exhibits, also up, tax the capacity of the huge manufacturers and merchants' building. Domestic arts, school, farm products and ed -cational exhibitions far surpass in quantity those of last year. And the farm machinery is more than double last year's show. All of which  $\leftarrow$  a-bines to make the annual a nearer approach to an event of State fair caliber.

caliber. Thru Thursday (11), after five days, front gate attendance was esti-mated at more than 210,000. This figure was accompanied by the state-ment it was backed by an official audit audit.

Biggest of the first five days was Biggest of the first five days was Thursday, Governor's Day, when the gate was placed at 65,000. The rightly horse show opened lightly, picked up thereafter and played to capacity Wednesday and Thursday. The grandstand, never a strong lure (See Ky. Gets Support on page 68)

## Around the Grounds: Fremont Mulls 750G Program; No More Saharas for Ohio Fairs

An expansion program of \$750,000 spread over several years is being planned for the Sandusky County Fair, Freemont, O. B. O. W. Reading, Fair, Freemont, O. B. O. W. Reading, chairman of the fair's planning com-mittee, says tentative plans call for a coliseum, grange building, cattle barn and other buildings, as well as-a new race track and a grandstand seating 10,000. Ground's layout would be changed to permit easier flow of patrons, parking areas would be enlarged and relocated. Financing would be handled thru "off-season" renting of the coliseum, race track or an "all-purpose" building.

The repeal of a 91-year-old Ohio Blue Law, which prohibited the sale of liquor within two miles of an Ohio fair while the event was in operation, became effective last week, and thus was buried a law which the WCT J had revived last year to the en-barrasment of fairs and taverns alike in this State.

Northeast Georgia Fair Association, Gainesville, has repaid the city com-missions in payment of money allo-cated to underwrite the fair in 1941, its starting year. Success of last year's fair made it possible for the association to repay the advance. This year's event will be held October 13-18.

During its stand at the Minnes A State Fair, St. Paul, Frank Winkley's Thrill Show crashed the Twin Cities newspapers with huge picture spreads. In addition to the auto thrill feats which played the auto stunts in big spreads, the newspaper reatment also included a pictu splash on airplane feats — esented along with the ground thrillers. Stunter George Waltz and his brother, Larry, who piloted the ship, were given a deep three-picture, three-

## Dayton, O., Misses New Crowd Mark; 82,921 in Four Days

DAYTON, O., Sept. 13 .- Cloudy skies and a slight shower on the skies and a slight shower on the closing night prevented the 95th an-nual Montgomery County Fair here September 1-4 from setting a new gate record. Total paid attendance was 82,921, as against 86,641 in the peak 1946 year.

Officials estimated 135.000, includ-ing children, holders of exhibitors tickets and pass-holders, attended. A total of 10,238 cars was parked on the

total of 10,238 cars was parked on the grounds in the four days, it was an-nounced. Paid grandstand admis-sions totaled 15,685. Acts, booked thru the Gus Sun Agency, included Camille's Dogs, the Erving troupe, the Three Ambassa-dorettes, the Skylarks and Hoagland's Hippodrome. Red Carter clowned and amseed and emseed.

Rides, contracted thru the Floyd E. Gooding Amusement Company, only were on the midway, and all the de-vices were well patronized. Harness horse races offered purses of \$12,000, which included entry fees.

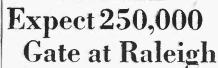
A large display of farm implements proved a feature, the space devoted to it embracing that which in the past was used for midway tent shows. column spread showing George

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standing on the plane's top as it looped the loop. Another spread, covering six full columns, featured three shots of the Winkley thrillers and six depicting past automobile thrillers at the Minnesota annual.

A new electric totalisator odds board and clubhouse will be offered b; the Great Barrington (Mass.) Fair them it opens September 20. Total when it opens September 20. Total system, designed and engineered by Vernon A. Rigger, superintendent of the fairgrounds, will be located in the infield and connected electrically with the calculating department of the mutuels. The board is so designed it can be disassembled on short notice and shipped to other tracks. The entire grandstand has been remodeled and in the change-over Edward J. Carroll, general manager, has pro-vided for a modern clubhouse.

Fred Murray, of International Fireworks, has returned from a trip thru Southern territory, with stopover in Norfolk, Richmond and Petersburg, Va., during which he landed a con-tract for the Star Spangled Banner celebration at Fort McHenry, Balti-more more.



RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 13.-Barring

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 13.—Barring weather breaks, the North Carolina State Fair October, 14-18 should at-tract a quarter-million admissions, according to Dr. J. S. Dorton, man-ager of the exposition for the State Department of Agriculture. Advance space reservations indi-cate industrial and commercial ex-hibits will number more than usual, and a boost in prize money to a rec-ord-breaking \$25,000, \$6,000 more than the fair offered last year, is ex-pected to draw an attractive line-up of farm exhibits. The World of Mirth Shows again will have the midway, and George Hamid will present the grandstand revue and acts. Jack Kochman's Cavalcade of Thrills fill feature the Wednesday afternoon program, and the Sam Nunis Speedways will stage auto races Saturday. Harness races are scheduled Tuesday, Thursday and Friday are scheduled Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

Friday. School children will be admitted free on two days, with Wake County pupils getting the free gate Tuesday, opening day, and other North Caro-lina pupils coming Friday. Workmen are completing a \$24,000 water main from the city limits to t<sup>+</sup>? fairgrounds a mile away, and the grounds will have improved water and sanitary facilities this time. Here-tofore the fair has depended on three drilled wells for water. drilled wells for water.

### Kingstree, S. C., Gets More

Land, Inks Caravella Org here annually by the Eugene Chapter, devoted in the retary, announced. t shows. George diditional 1½ acres for its grounds.

# **Topeka Event** A Carbon of '46 Peak Year

#### **Biz Holds Up Despite Heat**

TOPEKA, Kan., Sept. 13. — The Kansas Free Fair closed here Friday (12) with attendance, grandstand patronage and midway grosses finish-ing neck-and-neck with the recordbreaking 1946 year. Final figures weren't available today, but officials estimated business and attendance would "just about match that of last year."

The attendance held up in the face of scorching heat. The temperature hit as high as 110 degrees during the first few days of the seven-day run, yet Sunday (7) accounted for a rec-ord-smashing turnout of 64,000. Officials believed the attendance in the early days of the run would have been higher but for the heat, maintaining it served to cut patronage from the outlying sectors.

#### Rain Drops Mercury

Rain Drops Mercury Rain Wednesday failed to hurt the night grandstand show, but it did send t'e mercury down. Thursday was cool and Friday was cloudy. Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers were the opening afternoon grand-stand attraction Saturday (6) and drew a good stand for the day. The Lynch troupe returned Thursday to play to a full grandstand. John Sloan's auto races were the attraction Sunday. Tuesday, Wednes-day and Friday. Motorcycle races, staged Monday by Frank Winkley, drew a good grandstand for that day, always the light one. Show Improvements

#### Show Improvements

The grandstand night show con-sisting of a Barnes-Carruthers revue and acts booked thru the Chicago

and acts booked thru the Chicago booking office of that name pulled on a par with the 1946 record year. The fair offered a new \$80,000 sheep and swine building, a new com-mercial exhibit building and a re-u odeled exhibit building, the result of a \$150,000 improvement project successfully executed since last year's event Current plans call for this event. Current plans call for this year's profits to be blowed back into one or more new buildings.

#### Halifax, N. S., Council **Buys Plant for \$266,137**

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 13.—Halifax city council, acting for the city, pur-chased the provincial fair plant here from the War Assets Corporation for \$266,137. When the Dominion gov-\$266,137. When the Dominion gov-ernment took over the properties soon after the start of the war, the price paid to the city was \$225,000. Present indications are the fair, which for years one of the largest in the maritime provinces, will be re-sumed in 1948.

#### Topsfield, Mass., \$185,678 Handle Rated Satisfactory

TOPSFIELD, Mass., Sept. 13. --Total pari-mutuel handle for the re-cent Topsfield Fair was \$185,678 for

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CALIFORNIA CRACKS RECORD

**FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS** 

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## Stand Conceshs Up, Saginaw Eyes St. Paul Gate Says Chan Laube

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 13.business is Grandstand concession running ahead of 1946, the previous peak, according to C. G. (Chan) Laube, of the B. & L. Concessions Company, which has its headquarters here.

At fairs covered thru Labor Day by B. & L. org's sales of food, such as sandwiches, peanuts and popcorn, were down nearly 80 per cent due to the extremely hot weather in the Midwest. This drop, however, was more than offset by a 30 per cent increase in the sales of drinks and ice cream, Laube said.

Paper napkins and paper cups are scarce in some areas, Laube pointed out.

During the hot wave in the Mid-west, the B. & L. org hauled 33 tons of ice from this city to the Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, and 20 tons of ice and all the ice cream from here to the Sidney, Ia., Fair due to the ice short-age which hit in Iowa.

## 26,000 Go Thru Free Gate at Kingston, R.I.

KINGSTON, R. I., Sept. 13.—Total attendance at the free-gate Rhode Island State Fair here August 27-September 1 was estimated at 26,000. Grandstand paid admissions totaled about 15,000, according to Albert Tucker monoger Tucker, manager.

The annual, sponsored by the Rhode Island Cancer Society Fund, was constand Canter Solery Fund, was con-fucted without agricultural and live-stock exhibits. Plan for next year is to offer these features. Grandstand attractions were Lewis

Blackmon's Rodeo, with Howard Dutton's Sky Devils as added attracions three afternoons. Mickey Sul-livan's Rodeo and Exposition Band furnished the music. Fireworks were

furnished the music. Fireworks were presented nightly. Midway consisted of independent rides and concessionaires, with a cowboy jamboree side show pre-sented in an exhibit building getting he biggest play. Talent for this init was supplied by Holland's Double "C" Ranch Boys and Girls und Eddie Zack's Dude Boneh Court Jouble "C" Ranch Boys and Girls and Eddie Zack's Dude Ranch Cow-ands and Serenaders. The fair plant has been idle for seven years.

#### 17th Annual Eaton County 4-H Fair Sets Record

CHALOTTTE, Mich., Sept. 13.-The 17th annual Eaton County 4-H Fair closed here August 30, and went into the record books as the largest into the record books as the largest in history, from the attendance stand-point The WLS Barn Dance Show chalked up the biggest grandstand attendance in history August 26. Har-ness racing entries were well filled. The fair opened to good weather but rain prevailed the final two days, resulting in the cancellation of the

resulting in the cancellation of the motorcycle races afternoons. The Gooding rides and shows played to capacity on the midway. Entries in the cattle show were so heavy it was necessary to construct another barn 10 days before the fair opened. The new building is a 40-by-80 Quonset. A total of 340 head of cattle was exhibited

of cattle was exhibited.

All space in the exhibited. All space in the exhibit buildings was sold 30 days prior to the opening of the fair. Hans Kardel, secretarymanager, reported.

# All-Time High In Attendance

### May End With 265,000 Gate

SAGINAW, Mich., Sept. 13.—Given good weather thru today, its finale, the Saginaw Fair was headed for a total attendance of 265,000 which would represent a jump of 30 per cent over its previous record year and a 50 per cent jump over last year.

year. Weather on the whole has been good, rain falling two nights but not enough to do any serious damage. The grandstand, featuring acts in the afternoon and a revue, with a 16-gal line, plus acts all booked thru Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enter-prises, Chicago, was getting record-breaking business. There were two night shows Thursday and Friday, and a sell-out for two performances for tonight is assured.

On the midway, Floyd E. Gooding, who has the rides and shows, is rack-ing up a record-breaking gross for the spot. Again this year, the local newspaper has been leveling blows at the fair, this year's attack being on gambling.

Clarence Harnden, fair secretary, says the newspaper stories have failed to hurt. Fointing out that all games are for merchandise, he maintains the newspaper attack, instead of proving harmful, has helped. He said three radio stations on the grounds have given all-out support to the fair. Commercial exhibits and farm ma-

chinery displays surpass anything in the history of the fair. Commercial exhibit demands were so great they filled the permanent buildings to capacity, and sidewall frames, topped by canvas, were erected to house the overflow.

## Sedalia's Gate Count Reported as 305,624

SEDALIA, Mo., Sept. 13. — Final tabulation shows an attendance of 305,624 at the recent Missouri State Fair here. This constitutes an all-time high. Grandstand attendance records also were shattered, Roy S. Kemper, secretary said, but no fig-ures on grandstand patronage wos announced

Harness horse races were held four afternoons. Ernie Young's revue was the featured grandstand attraction for five nights.

#### Lubbock, Tex., Schedules **Balloon Parade for Opener**

LUBBOCK, Tex., Sept. 13.—A huge downtown parade, featured by giant inflated rubber figures contracted thru Jean Gros, Inc., Pittsburgh, and including mounted rodeo performers and brass bands, will mark the open-ing of the Panhandle South Plains Fair here September 29-October 4. The parade is skedded to cover 2½ miles. mile

Midget auto races will be presented each afternoon, with the Buck Steiner Rodeo skedded for nightly perform-ances in front of the 5,000-capacity grandstand.

The Bill Hames Shows will be on the midway.

Hits 902,693

ST. PAUL, Sept. 13 .- Revised attendance figures for the recent Min-nesota State Fair here, as announced by Worth Hanson, superintendent of the ticket audit department, placed the total gate at 902,693. Previous record for a 10-day event here was 762,226, set in 1941, the new mark beating that by 140,467.

## **New Builders Set** For Magnolia Event

MA NOLIA, Ark., Sept. 13.—New buildings, a 65 by 180-foot livestock structure and a 30-foot addition to the general exhibit building, are com-pleted and will be ready for the second annual post-war Columbia County Fair here September 29-October 4, President Ves W. Godley announces.

announces. New fairgrounds are located north of Magnolia on U. S. Highway 69. Carnival and exhibit grounds are in A-1 condition as the result of leveling and seeding last spring. All buildings, with the exception of the football stadium, have been removed from the former fairgrounds.

stadium, have been removed from the former fairgrounds. The premium list for this year's annual is the largest in its 25-year history. Secretary W. L. Jameson Jr. had the book published without advertising this year, giving special attention to the variety and number of premiums offered of premiums offered.

#### Malcolm Exclusive Booker At Pittsburgh Annual

At Fittsburgh Annual CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—Dave `.al-colm, Chicago, booked the grand-stand show at the Allegheny County Fair, Pittsburgh, August 28-Septem-ber 1, he reports, thus correcting a previous report. Acts booked by him were Harris Reynolds, wire; Dona-hue and La Salle, table rock and barrel jumps; Kaylette, high pole; George Winston, musical; Red Carter, singing clown; The Ervings, knock-about and teeterboard; Billy Sie-grist, flying act; Mel Hall, unicycle, and the Milos, high pole. Exclusive booker for the date, Malcolm also contracted for the nightly fireworks displays.

# **Annual Draws** 658,038 Total

First post-war event tops '41 pull by 130,871 pari-mutuel handles 2 mil

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 13. — The most successful California State Fair in its 94-year history closed here Sunday night (7) after a run of 11 nights and 10 days. Total attendance for the first post-war event was 658,-038, topping the 1941 gate count of 527,167 by 130,871. The pari-mutuel handle zoomed to an all-time high of \$2,004,307 this year. Previous rec-ord was in 1941 when \$725,853 was bet.

Records fell in nearly every depart ment, with the exception of grand-stand night show attendance, which fell off 8,000 from the 1941 total. Only 89,000 fair fans took in the evening spectacle this year against 97,000 for the last pre-war fair.

Approximately 90,000 paid to see ne grandstand racing program the the grandstand racing program against 87,000 in 1941, while the horse show this year drew 43,076 against the previous record of 37,088.

#### Early Fumbles Hurt

Several rather serious fumbles early in the fair's run undoubtedly had an adverse effect on the attend-ance total, tho the fault lies with ance total, tho the fault lies with no particular person or group. Open-ing day found many visitors, mostly from out of town, waiting at the gates as early as 9 a.m. The gates were not slated to open until 6 p.m. but were finally thrown open at 4 p.m. to admit the people who had waited all day. Fair officials declare that much publicity was given the fact the annual was to have a night opening this year but evidently many editors deleted this information from their announcements with the result their announcements with the result hundreds arrived early and displayed considerable indignation at being stranded on the sidewalk all day. Fair officials did their best to make it up to the patrons, however. About 5,000 of the éarly arrivals were ad-mitted free when the management desided to move up the energy time decided to move up the opening time two hours.

A more serious effect on attend-(See Calif. State Draws on page 69)

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## Reading Heads for Records; Ky. Gets Support Huron, S.D., Tops First Four Days Shade 1946 To Top 1946 Mark Marks; Opener Draws 42,553

#### Kids' Day Biggest in History; Beneke, Kochman Click

READING, Pa., Sept. 13.-Reading READING, Pa., Sept. 13.—Reading Fair, which opened on Sunday (7), halked up a record-breaking at-tendance for its first four days. Open-ing day, featuring Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers, and an evening show starring Tex Beneke and His Glenn Miller Orchestra, drew 42,553 onto the grounds, largest Sunday in the history of the fair history of the fair.

Monday slightly more than 36,000 crowded thru the gates. Tuesday proved another record-breaker, with 46,476, the largest Tuesday (city school Children's Day) in the 30-year history of the Reading Fair.

#### Wednesday Record

Wednesday saw another record broken as more than 6,000 persons jammed the grandstand for the eve-ning show, the second largest grand-stand crowd of all time. John S. stand crowd of all time. John S. Giles, president of the Reading Fair, said the actual paid attendance at the outer gates to the grounds was 133,166 for the first four days.

Up thru Thursday, fair officials reported that the total attendance was slightly behind the record-breaking slightly behind the record-breaking igures of last year, specifically be-cause of the slump in Thursday's gate, which was 35,161. It was esti-mated however, that advance sale of tickets would bring record crowds into the grounds Friday and Satur-day, the last two full days of the fair. fair.

#### Hamid Attractions Featured

George Hamid's productions are featured in the grandstand shows. Sunday and Monday evenings the fair management added Tex Beneke and His Glenn Miller Orchestra, and Marion Hutton, vocalist, as a special attraction in an effort to boost the usually meager opening evening usually meager opening evening crowds. From Tuesday thru romain-der of week the regular stageshow was presented, with seemingly better results.

Topping the grandstand bill are Topping the grandstand bill are the Roxyettes, Hamid's precision line. Other acts are the Gaudsmith Brothers, dog act; A. Robins, the Banana Man; Benny and Betty Fox, bigh pedestal: Flying Hartzells, fly-ing trapeze; Loyal-Repenskys, bare-back riders; Berosinis, high wire; Lott and Joe Anders, juggling unicyclists; Seven Brannocks, tumblers; Ben Yost Seven Brannocks, tumblers; Ben Yost Cavaliers, vocal quartet; Oldfield and Ware, comedy tumbling, and Rosales Sisters, perch.

Grand circuit horse racing in the afternoons drew large crowds into the grandstand Wednesday and Thurs-day, after only fair attendances Mon-day and Tuesday. Racing continued thru Friday.

#### Special Events

Several special events were sched-uled as closing features of the fair. The United States Army Air Forces



Week of October 27, 194 00 Week of November 3, 1947 Contact C. H. TURNER, Secretary Laucaster County Fair Association, Laucaster, S. C.

Band played a special concert Friday in conjunction with the Hamid show. Joie Chitwood's Thrill Show appears this afternoon, and tonight the Read-ing Fair conducts its second annual Miss Reading Fair beauty contest. noon.

Fair officials reported that a record number of concessionaires leased space on the grounds this year, with more than 450 listed on the fair's books.

#### Radio Plays Big Part

Radio Plays Big Part Radio played a big part in the fair's activities. Seven stations set up their mikes for remote broad-casts from the fairgrounds and 45 broadcasts originated from various points of the grounds. KYW and WCAU, Philadelphia stations; WEEU, WHUM and WRAW, of Reading; WLBR, Lebanon, and WH<sup>¬</sup>, Harr<sup>\*--</sup> burg, covered the fair. Jack Wilson and Izzy Cetlin, of the

burg, covered the fair. Jack Wilson and Izzy Cetlin, of the Cetlin & Wilson Shows, announced that the midway is drawing record crowds, with rides, shows and con-cessions doing brisk business. Cet-lin & Wilson have added so many rides and shows that they now re-quire 40 cars to transport their ma-terial. terial.

#### Canaan, N. H., Annual Gets Weather, New Gate Record

CANAAN, N. H., Sept. 13. — The fair season in New Hampshire opened August 26 with a three-day event. While practically all of the State had rain, this section remained free of figure. anything more menacing than threatening clouds. The opening day had an attendance of more than 4,000, than 50C.

From Press, Radio Many Old Marks

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here, was doing surprisingly well. After fair patronage the first three days, the turnout jumped Wednesday afternoon, climbed higher that night and drew excellent both afternoon and night Thursday.

#### Sponsored Fireworks

Sponsored Fireworks Most of the grandstand attractions were contracted thru Klein's Attras-tions, New Waterford, O. The fair, however, did book several top fea-tures, headed by Selden, the Strato-sphere ™an. a perennial favorite here; Ethel D'Arcy, aerialist; Brad-ley's sheepdogs, and Silver, horse of Lone Ranger note. The latter was in for the first three days. Klein-booked acts, some of which were billed for three days, others for the full run, included Louise Vel-arde, bounding rope; Paul Kohler, xylophone; Jone and Jorie Armstron..., acrobatic; Belmont Brothers, jug-gling; Leroy and his baboon; the Moreen Troupe, teeterboard; Miss Bernice, tight wire; Pat Kelly's dogs and ponies; Corrine Dearo, cloud swing, and Dorie Thompson, contor-tionist. A 10-gal line, billed as the Rhythm Debutantes, also played dur-ing part of the run. Leo Hamilton was emsee.

Rhythm Debutantes, also played dur-ing part of the run. Leo Hamilton was emsee. The fireworks contract was held by the American Fireworks Company, Hudson, O., with that org putting on all but one of the pyrotechnic shows. The other, staged Thursday night, was presented by the Unexcelled Fireworks Company, Cranbury, N. J., which offered (free to the fair) a show sponsored by Pepsi-Cola, which got in three large set pieces plugging got in three large set pieces plugging the soft drink.

the soft drink. On the midway, Al Wagner's Cav-alcade of Amusements, thru Thurs-day, were running about 25 per cent ahead of the ride and show take to the corresponding point last year. Came concessions also were up. (For further details see the Carnival Sec-tion.) tion.)

while attendance the other days upp d this record to establish a new

Rain on the opening day last year kept the attendance down to less

# 536,947 Paid at Detroit; New Record for 10-Day Run

DETROIT, Sept. 13.—Total paid attendance of 536,947 at the Michigan State Fair, which closed Sunday (7), was the highest on record for a 10-day fair in the State. The figure tops the previous 10-day high of 407,375, set in '39. However, it was exceeded by the 589,133 turnout for 12 days in '41, when the fair was last held, and by the 728,947 pull of the 16-day 1938 event. Outside gate receipts totaled \$268,473,50 (before taxes), the highest take in fair's history, due to the fact the admission this year was 50 cents as take in fair's history, due to the fact the admission this year was 50 cents as against 25 cents in the past. Total admissions, including an estimated 373,053 admitted free, were reported at 910,-

000. Children were admitted free thruout the fair's run, and veterans were admitted free one day.

were admitted free one day. Parking on the grounds yielded \$18.000 at 50 cents per car. The F. E. Gooding Amusement Company, holders of the ride and show contract, grossed approximately \$150,000 before taxes. The 1941 mid-way take by a different org was \$92,953,42 net \$92,953.42 net.

\$92,953.42 net. The grandstand show, featuring Buster Crabbe's water show and cir-cus-type acts booked thru Barnes-Carruthers' Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, played to 36,442 for 10 shows, two performances being rained out. Adult admission was \$1 and children's 50 cents. Olsen and Johnson played to 28,409 persons in seven coliseum perform-

persons in seven coliseum performances.

**Space Nears Sellout** As Buildings Go Up At Ariz. State Fair PHOENIX, Ariz., Sept. 13.-Altho

PHOENIX, Ariz., Sept. 13.—Altho the buildings are not yet up (con-tractors have promised completion in time for November 7 opening), the Arizona State Fair practically has sold all exhibits scheduled for the structures. Only two small commer-cial exhibits remain unsold, accord-ing to Paul F. Jones, executive sec-retary

The fair is shooting for a record gate of more than 250,000, Jones said. Crafts' 20 Big Shows will be on the midway.

#### **Receipts estimated at 118G.** profits at 25G-attendance of 169,000 is new record

HURON, S. D., Sept. 13. - Just about every record in the book was broken at South Dakota's first fullscale, post-war State Fair, which closed its successful five-day run here Saturday night (6).

It was South Dakota's first \$100,-000 fair, receipts hitting \$118,000 to surpass the previous high by some \$35,000, according to a preliminary record by Secretary Frank L. Hafner.

Previous high was \$83,000, set in 1930. Completion of an audit must be made before the profit can be de-termined, but Hafner estimated it would be about \$25,000 despite sharp-be inavased warming lists a much ly increased premium lists, a much larger payroll and stepped up expenses all along the line.

#### Extra Night Show

Final attendance was placed at 169,-(3), when 50,000 attended, Closing day, usually one of the leaner days, drew 37,000, a new record for the final day.

final day. The State Fair Revue of 1947, grandstand stage production booked thru Barnes-Carruthers 'Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, attracted huge crowds, and for the first time in the history of the event here it was necessary to give a double perform-ance Wednesday night. Auto races staged by National

Auto races, staged by National Speedways (Al Sweeney and Gay-lord White), sent the fair off to its record-breaking run, with a two-day horse racing card, Frank Winkley's All-American Thrill Drivers and a series of circus-type acts all con-tributing to the record-breaking at-tendance tendance.

#### Peak Midway Take

On the midway Max Goodman's Wonder Shows of America grossed \$50,225, a record for the event.

Farm machinery exhibits also set a new record, with a quarter-mile display of agricultural equipment. The State 4-H camp, closed last year by a polio outbreak, was attended by

#### **Cooke-Rose Attractions** At W. Va.-N. Y. Annuals

HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 13. — Cooke and Rose Theatrical Enter-prises, of this city, supplied the grandstand attractions at the Charles-ton Free Fair, Charleston, W. Va., and the Madison County Fair, Brook-field, N. Y. Both events were held August 30-September 7.

Included among attractions booked Included among attractions booked into Charleston were Iona Reid and her thrill show, the Circle W Rodeo and the Grand Ole Opry Unit, with Pee Wee King; the Kathryn Behney Dancers, and the following acts: Josef Smiley, illusionist; Billy Dale, juggler; Hi-Power, slack wire; Lay-ton's Dogs, and Dale and Lenore, adagio.

adagio. Booked into Brookfield were the WLS National Barn Dance, the Kathryn Behney Dancers, Howard Gale's orchestra and the following acts: Bill Irwin, table rock; the Melchors, trampoline; Willard & Com-pany, magic and illusions; Kava-naugh & Ramon, high act; Mildred Fallin, high act; Pop and Mom Huber, musical act, and Whirl-A-Ways, skaters. skaters.

#### The Billboard

## **Mineola Soars** To New Highs; **Cole Big Draw**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—One hun-dred and fifth annual Mineola (L. I.) Fair hit the jackpot with daily at-tendances way above last year's figures—which were good. Fair got off to a slow start on Tuesday (9) with overcast skies putting a damper on attendance until mid-afternoon when the sun broke thru and the tic-ket sellers snapped out of their si-estas. About 8,000 patrons hit the grounds by late afternoon, with nearly twice that number coming in at night. Actual paid attendance for the day was given out as 13,162, which was 5,000 above the figure for last year's opener.

On Wednesday afternoon (10) the official paid admission figure was set at 7.044, which topped last year by 3,000. No further official figures are available, but unofficial sources put Thursday's (11) attendance at 60,000, which if any where near exact would make it an all-time rec rd.

#### New High Assured

New High Assured It can safely be stated that at-tendance figures will hit a real high as parking lots, exhibit areas, midway and grandstand have been jammed daily from noon until midnight. Fri-day and Saturday being rated as the big days at Mineola and weather being ideal, the fair officials predict a total attendance of 125,000 before the fair closes tonight, which appears a reasonable prospect. a reasonable prospect.

The midway, occupied by two units of the I. T. Shows, augmented by several independent ride and show operators, has more rides, shows and concessions than have played Mineola in many years. Rides and shows are packing them in but overcrowded midway has hampered business of some games and concessions.

#### **Circus Big Draw**

The James M. Cole Circus, this year's grandstand attraction, is prov-ing one of the biggest drawing cards in many years and is also netting the fair considerable publicity. Indianapolis, is third with 1,282. The standings: Emory Collins, Le Mars, Ia., 2,725; Deb Snyder, Kent, O., 2,015; Jimmle Wilburn, In-dianapolis, 1,282; Bob Frame, Owatonna, Minn., 1,125; Wayne Wynn, Tampa, 825; Russ Lée, Minneapolis, 815; Billy Snyder, Minneap-olis, 730; C. H. Ebsen, Springville, Ia., 710; Ernie Johnson, Christine, N. D., 555; Harry West, Crestline, Kan., 524; Bayliss Levritt, 460; Phil Mocca, Maplewood, Mo., 447; G. H. Van Poll, Hopkins, Minn., 375; Al Ketter, Quincy, Ill., 375; John B. Anderson, Winter Haven, Fla., 366; W. W. Wright, Quincy, Il., 355; Les Adair, Indianapolis, 295; Allen L. Yauger, Austin, Minn., 275; George V. Lynch, De-troit, 270.

Fireworks displays were presented under the supervision of Fred Mu ray, of the International Fireworks Company Tuesday (9), Wednesday (10) and Thursday (11) nights. There were the usual hand concerts square were the usual band concerts, square dancing and other special events, square dancing and other special events, and exhibits were much the same as in previous years, the most interesting being the livestock and poultry sec-

## **Begin Work on New** Fort Worth Bldgs.

FORT WORTH, Sept. 13.—Ground was broken Saturday (6) for six ex-hibit buildings which will be erected on the Will Rogers Memorial site for the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show here. Buildings will cost \$1,500,000.

Expense will be met with bond money voted by the city. Buildings will be ready for occupany in Janu-ary. Show dates will be moved up from March to January.

### Rochester, N. H., Opens With Plant Improvements

ROCHESTER, N. H., Sept. 13.-When the Rochester Fair opens here Monday (15), it will show substantial improvement over last year. A half dozen new buildings, of which five are cattle barns each 100 feet long, have been completed.

The main exhibition building has been rebuilt and enlarged and the judges's stand at the track has been moved. All streets and roads have been repayed.

## Calif. State Draws 658,038; Tops '41 Mark by 130,871

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ance was the wide publicity given the fact there was a turnaway Sun-day, August 31, after 128,846 persons day, August 31, after 128,846 persons had been admitted to the grounds. Being the first time in history that the gates were locked while the fair was in progress, radio announcers, local newspapers and the wire serv-ices went all-out in their over-zealous efforts to make the ware 2 good one efforts to make the yarn a good one for the front pages. Newscasters on several stations are reported to have exhorted prospective patrons to "stay away from the fair" because of the tremendous crowds, implying that the crush was so great that they might be in physical danger. This story, which was carried in bold-faced type and boxes on the front pages of many of the State's papers hitting the stands on Labor Day, cut a deep gouge into Labor Day attendance. Labor Day this year drew only 81,980 against 79,671 in 1941.

against 79,671 in 1941. Concessionaires, particularly, were loud in their condemnation of the gate-closing policy, pointing out the action was unnecessary inasmuch as the fairgrounds cover more than 208 acres and, to quote one of them, "As acres and, to quote one of them, "As long as they didn't have to stand on each other's shoulders they'd be happy anyway."

Newspapers in general were gen-erous in their praise of the fair, tho The Sacramento Bee took a couple of

**Race Drivers** 

CHICAGO, Sept. 13 .- Emory Col-

lins, of Le Mars, Ia., is setting the pace in the International Motor Con-

test Association with 2,725 points. In second place is Deb Snyder, Kent, O., with 2,015, and Jimmie Wilburn, Indianapolis, is third with 1,282. The

**Collins Paces** 

healthy swings at the "over commercialization" and then came out with a three-column story titled You Don't Have To Pray To Win—But It Might Help Along the State Fair's Carnival Way. Piece was an editorial hay-maker aimed at Crafts 20 Big Shows which supplied the midway and slanted the yarn in such a way as to indicate the entertainment found in indicate the entertainment found in the fun zone was out of line with the prices asked. Story was liberally sprinkled with such sub-heads as "Shills Aplenty," "Ham, No Bacon," "Profits Roll In," "No Cash Pay-off," "Brazen Bookery" and "Prizes Are Cheap." The paper also panned the grandstand show and the Calithe grandstand show and the Cali-fornia Processional, a pageant with a cast of 1,000 which was presented opening night.

#### Spike Jones Is Hit

Spike Jones Is Hit Hit of the show was Spike Jones and His City Slickers, who headlined the grandstand show for two nights early in the fair's run, giving way to Tommy Dorsey and his band who fin-ished the date. George Jessel, Leo Carillo and other Hollywood celebri-ties also participated. As an added attraction, Jose Iturbi gave a one-night performance Thursday (4) which won heavy applause. It was said to be Iturbi's first fair appear-ance but it may not be his last inasance but it may not be his last inas-much as his ivory-tickling proved immensely popular.

#### Brookfield, N. Y., Annual Sets Opening Day Record

BROOKFIELD, N. Y., Sept. 13.— Madison County Fair here enjoyed its biggest opening day in history Labor Day.

Grandstand attractions for after-noons were harness races and acts furnished by Cooke and Rose, of Lancaster, Pa. The night shows had Lancaster, Pa. The night shows had the following acts, with Arthur Kava-naugh, emsee; Mildred Fullin, high pole; the Great Arturo and Miss Hedy, high wire; the Harrison Troupe, bi-cycle and unicycle; Billy Trevin, table rock; Pop and Mom Huber, electric chimes and songs; Pop and Marie, trampoline; Willard and Company, magic illusion; Kavanaugh and Aaman, comedy; Helen Schraeder's 12-gal line, and Howard Gale's ork. The B & V Shows were on the midway.

midway.

#### Deming, N. M., Annual Skedded for Oct. 17-19

DEMING, N. M., Sept. 13. — Preparations are being pushed for the Luna County Fair here October 17-19.

Officers are Edgar L. May, presi-dent; J. W. Hurt, vice-president; J. Clyde Miller, secretary-treasurc., and S. S. Baker Jr., assistant secre-

## Ore. Gate Off, Grandstand Up; Weather Hurts

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SALEM, Ore., Sept. 13 .- The 82d annual Oregon State Fair, plagued by downpours the final two days, closed its seven-day run Sunday (7) with grandstand receipts estimated 15 per cent higher than in 1946 and outside gate figures down 5 per cent. Pari-mutuel racing handle during six days was 8 per cent higher than a year ago.

Manager Leo Spitzbart declared the event "a great success, both from the attendance and entertainment fea-tures standpoints."

#### Spending Sags

With last day's figures estimated, paid attendance for the seven days was set at 150,000 with 158,668 in 1946, highest in history. Children were admitted free both years. Of-ficial 1947 figures will not be available until the management prepares a detailed financial statement for submission to the State Broad of Agriculture.

Spitzbart noted, however, that while receipts were satisfactory, consider-ing weather conditions, expenses were higher than ever before owing to larger purses and higher labor and material costs.

Concessionaires and ride operators on the midway reported a noticeable decline from the free spending of last year. Douglas Greater Shows were on the midway.

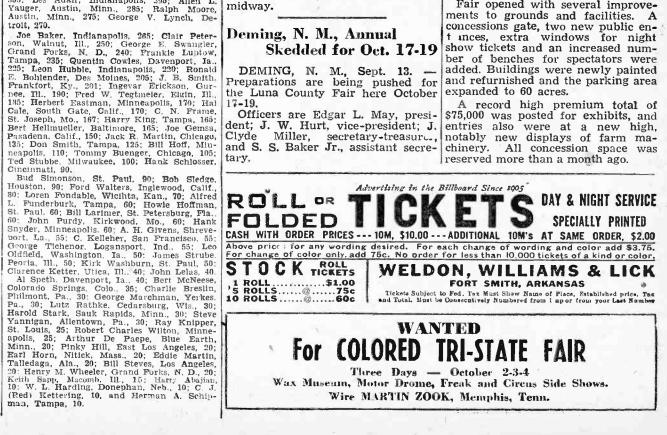
Horse racing, six of the fair's seven days, handled wagers totaling \$334,-936 compared with 309,949 in 1946. Opening day, Monday (1), under perfect skies set the pace for the en-tire week with 62,043 going thru the outside gate compared with 77,372, the record opening day a year ago. Wagering opening day, from a ca-pacity crowd of 10,000, was set at the record high of \$66,342.

#### Revue at Night

Night entertainment events in-Night entertainment events in-cluded a combined horse show and rodeo in the stadium and the Holly-wood production, Helen Hughes' Follies of 1947, on a movable stand in front of the race track grandstand. Dancing also was provided thruout the fair with Buddy Rich's orchestra playing playing.

Fair opened with several improvements to grounds and facilities. A concessions gate, two new public en-t inces, extra windows for night show tickets and an increased number of benches for spectators were added. Buildings were newly painted and refurnished and the parking area expanded to 60 acres.

A record high premium total of \$75,000 was posted for exhibits, and entries also were at a new high, notably new displays of farm ma-chinery. All concession space was reserved more than a month ago.



#### Fair Dates

A list of fairs a week in ad-vance, arranged according to dates, States and cities, will appear in each issue. The complete List of Fair Dates was published in the issue dated August 16.

September 21-27

#### ALABAMA

ALABAMA Athens-Limestone Co. Agrl. Sept. 23-26. W. A. Owens. Jasper-Walker Co. Fair. Sept. 22-27. James D. Dickson. Lexington-Lexington Fair Assn. Sept. 22-27.

## Lexington-Lexin M. Thornton.

ARIZONA Holbrook-Navajo Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 26-28. John H. Miller.

#### ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS Ashdown-Little River Co. Pair. Sept. 22-27. C. M. Lamkin. Berryville-Carroll Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 25-27. Mrs. J. C. Richardson. Canden-Ouachita Co. Fair. Sept. 25-27. John Dornblaser. Clarksville-Johnson Co. Fair. Sept. 24-27. John Dodson. Blytheville-Mississippi Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 24-27. Asher Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 25-27. Ralph B. Kite. Hamburg-Ashley Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 25-27. Fred Greesou.

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Hampton-Calhoun Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 25-27.
Mack C. Owens.
Harrisburg-Poinsett Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 22-25.
E. S. Maddox.
Hope-Third Agrl. Dist. Livestock Show. Sept. 22-27. Charles A. Armitage.
Jonesboro-Craighead Co. Fair. Sept. 25-27.
Elton Patterson.
Monticello-Drew Co. Fair. Sept. 26-27.
J. D. McDuffle.

Elton Fatterson Monticello-Drew Co. Fair. Sept. 20-21. C. McDuffle. Prescott-Nevada Co. Fair Assn. Week of Sept. 22. G. C. Murray. Siloam Springs-Tri-Fair. Sept. 22-27. Rob-ert Henry. CALIFORNIA

Bakersfield-Kern Co. Fair. Sept. 23-28. George W. Wendt.

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Colusa-Colusa Co. Harvest Festival. Sept. 24-27. William S. Randall. Monterey-Monterey Co. Fair. Sept. 25-28. Matthew Beaton. Red Bluff-Tehama Co. Fair. Sept. 26-28. George F. Blake. Sterling-Sterling Farmers' Club. Sept. 24. Charles W. Wiles. MICHIGAN Decatur-Decatur Agri. Soc. Sept. 25-27. Erra C. Flanck.

CONNECTICUT

Danbury--Danbury Fair. Sept. 27-Oct. 5. John W. Leahy. Durham--Durham Agrl. Fair Assn. Sept. 26-27. John A. Jackson. Guilford Agrl. Soc. Sept. 24. Marie E. Griswold. E. Griswold. Stafford Springs—Stafford Fair. Sept. 25-28. Louise L. Benton.

#### GEORGIA

GEORGIA Atlanta-Southeastern Fair Assn. Sept. 26-Oct. 5. Mike Benton. Cortersville-Annerican Legion Bartow Co. Fair, Sept. 22-27. Cedariown-Northwest Ga. Fair Assn. Sept. 22-27. Thomas Adamson. Conyers-Rockdale Co. Fair. Sept. 21-27. A. C. Ellington.

#### IDAHO

Coeur d'Alene-Kootenal Co. Fair. Sept. 25-27. C. W. Neider. Saint Maries-Benewah Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 25-27. R. Loren Kambitsch.

INDIANA Bluffton-Bluffton Street Fair. Sept. 23-27. Dwight F. Gallivan.

#### KANSAS

Conway Springs-Conway Springs Fair Assn. Sept. 25-26. R. H. Cline. Kinkaid-Kinkaid Fair Assn. Sept. 25-27. W. R. Brown. Vinland-Vinland Grange Fair. Sept. 25-27. Chester G. Thompson.

#### KENTUCKY

RENUCURI Brandenburg-Meade Co. Fair. Sept. 26-27. Katherine Kaelin. Louisa-Am. Legion Lawrence Co. Fair. Sept. 22-27. Harper Preston. Mounts Olivet-Robertson Co. Farm Bureau Fair. Sept. 26-27. James W. Colvin. Taylorsville-Spencer Co. Agrl. Fair. Sept. 26-27. J. Rene Harris.

#### LOUISIANA

Centerville-St. Mary Parish Fair. Sept. 26-28. Grace E. Barras. Coushatta-Red River Parish Fair Assn. Sept. 24-27. Lester P. Vetter.

#### MAINE

MAINE Acton-York Co. Agrl. Assn. Sept. 25-27. Fred E. Young, Emery Mills. Andover-Oxford North Agrl. Soc. Sept. 25-26. George Stowell. Monmouth-Cochnewagan Agrl. Assn. Sept. 24-25. C. H. Smith. North Waterford-World's Fair Assn. Sept. 26-27. Bill Button. W. Cumberland-Cumberland Farmers' Club. Sept. 22-27. Frederic C. Wilson, RD 5, Portland.

#### MARYLAND La Plata-Charles Co. Fair. Sept. 24-28. W. Mitchell Digges.

MASSACHUSETTS

MASSACHUSELIS Dudley-Dudley Hill Fair. Sept. 26-27. Flor-ence M. Penniman. Great Barrington-Barrington Fair Assn. Sept. 20-28. Edward J. Carroll. Huntington-Littleville Community Fair Assn. Sept. 27. Elmer O. Olds.

Ezra C. Flanck. Hillsdale—Hillsdale Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 25-27. Hillsdale—Hillsdale Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 21-27. H. E. Kelley. Kalamazoo—Kalamazoo Free Fair, Sept. 22-27. Hartman Kakabaker.

#### MISSISSIPPI

Columbus—Columbus Fair & Livestock Assn. Sept. 22-27. David M. Lavender. Fulton—Itawamba Fair-Dairy Show. Sept. 23-27. H. L. Holland. Vicksburg—Miss Lou. Expo. Sept. 22-27. Frank H. Andrews Jr.

#### MISSOURI

MISSUURI Carthage-Jasper Co. Agrl. Expo. Sept. 25-26. J. C. Gibbons. Mound City-Holt Co. Fair. Sept. 25-27. E. N. Wright. Senath-Dunklin Co. Legion Fair. Sept. 23-20. Lyle Elchmond. Warsaw-Eenton Co. Fair. Sept. 25-27. O. V. Singleton.

#### NERRASKA

Broken Bow-Custer Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 23-26. L. G. Sullivan.

NEW HAMPSHIRE Deerfield-Deerfield Fair Assn. Sept. 25-27. W. C. Maxwell, R.F.D. 1, Raymond. NEW JERSEY

Trenton-New Jersey State Fair. Sept. 21-28. Norman L. Marshall.

#### NEW MEXICO

INEW MEATCO Las Vegas-San Miguel Co. Fair. Sept. 24-36. Robert Storey. Portales-Roosevelt Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 24-27 (tentative). W. G. Vinzant. Tucumcari-Quay Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 23-26. Roy H. Smith.

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 NORTH CAROLINA
 Albemarle—Stanly Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 22-27. F. B. Patterson.
 Asheboro—Center of N. C. Fair. Sept. 21-27. W. C. York.
 Cherokee—Cherokee Indian Fair Assn. Sept. 23-27. William E. Ensor Jr.
 23-27. J. J. Mathis.
 Louisburg—Franklin Co. Fair. Sept. 23-27. Dr. J. J. Mathis.
 Louisburg—Franklin Co. Fair. Sept. 23-27. Dr. J. S. Dorton.
 Yadkinville—Great Yadkin Fair. Sept. 22-27. Jr. E. Shew.
 Zebulon—Five-County Fair. Sept. 15-22. R.
 Vance Brown.

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Okmulgee-Okmulgee Co. Free Fair Assn. Sept. 24-27. C. J. Harvey. PENNSYLVANIA

**FENNSYLVANIA** Bloomsburg-Bloomsburg Fair. Sept. 22-27. Harry B. Correll. Ephrata-Ephrata Farmers' Day Assn. Sept. 24-27 (tentative). R. U. Fassnacht. Mount Pleasant-Pleasant Valley Fair. Sept. 24-27. Eugene V. Keefer, Connellsville. Perkasle-Sell-Park Community Farm Show. Sept. 25-27 (tentative). Hugh Niles.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA

Kingstree-Williamsburg Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 22-27. H. C. Crawford.

SOUTH DAKOTA Mitchell-Corn Palace. Sept. 22-27. R. B. Willard.

#### TENNESSEE

TENNESSEE Bolivar-Hardeman Co. Colored Fair Assn. Sept. 23-27. W. B. Hunt. Byrdstown-Pickett Co. Fair. Sept. 26-27. Rankin R. Little. Columbia-Maurv Co. Colored Fair. Sept. 26-27. James Crowe. Huntingdou-Carroll Co. Fair. Sept. 22-27. J. F. Walters. Knoxville-Tennessee Valley Agrl. Fair. Sept. 22-27. Pat W. Kerr. Livingston-Overton Co. Fair. Sept. 25-27. Cleston Grimsley. Memphis-Mid-South Fair. Sept. 22-27. G. W. Wynne. Somerville-Fayette Co. Colored Fair. Sept. 26-27. McAdams Sloan. TEXAS

# TEXAS Amarillo-Tri-State Fair Assn. Sept. 22-27. Rex B. Baxter. Beliville-Austin Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 25-28. B. J. Coufal. Bowie-Montague Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 25-27. A. R. Murdoch. Crockett-Houston Co. Fair. Sept. 22-27. J. B. Bunicke

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#### Salisbury, N. C., Revival Scheduled for Oct. 20-25

Scheduled for Oct. 20-25 SALISBURY, N. C., Sept. 13.—Re-suming after a lapse of five years, the Greater Rowan County Agricul-tural Fair will be held October 20-25. The Salisbury Junior Chamber of Commerce will sponsor the event. The Crescent Amusement Company will be on the midway, Jack Harvey, fair secretary, announced.

## **PNE President Lists Development 'Musts' ForVancouverEvent**

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 13 .-Mackenzie Bowell, Pacific National Mackenzie Bowen, Fachic Factorian Exhibition (PNE) president, elated over the records set by this year's fair, said the fair now is "big busi-ness" for British Columbia generally ness" for British Columbia generally as well as Vancouver. He said the exhibition must become international in scope, adding: "I hope the results will get us a better deal with the city council and provincial and fed-eral governments."

Next year Washington and other U. S. Western states must must be catered to, he said. First improve-ment to the fairgrounds will be the addition of a boys' and girls' building to promote the work of junior farmers

Another building on the "must be constructed" list will be for foreign trade exhibits. Lack of one this year. Bowell stated, prevented the inclu-sion of an extensive East Indian exhibit. The exhibition president said representatives of leading Canadian industrial firms, who visited the fair, indicated they will have exhibits in next year's show.

Plans to improve the midway are under consideration. Martin Arthur, owner of Imperial Exhibition Shows, has offered to create a modern mid-way complete with 50-foot paved walks and permanent buildings for certain concessions and amusements.

#### Spencer, Mass., Annual Draws 11,000 in 3 Days

SPENCER, Mass., Sept. 13.—An-nual three-day fair here drew 11,000 people over the Labor Day week-end. Attendance was 3,000, Saturday, August 30; another 3,000 Sunday, and 5,000 Labor Day. Free fireworks and vande shows were featured daily.

A widely publicized performance by Lucky Lee Crosby and His Hell Drivers brought one of the largest opening day crowds in the annual's history.

Also receiving featured billing was the Will H. Hill troupe of trained dogs and ponies.

Encouraged by this year's large turnout, the Spencer Driving Associ tion, fair sponsor, plans a large fair next year. Philip A. Quinn is sec-retary, and Bernard Reardon, president.

#### Roseville, Calif., Draws 20,000 to Three-Day Event

ROSEVILLE, Calif., Sept. 13.—The Placer County Fair closed a three-day run here Sunday night, August 17, attendance exceeding 20,000 ac-

17, attendance exceeding 20,000 ac-cording to fair officials. Saturday (16) was the outstanding day. Proclaimed "Farmers'," it was heavily plugged in press and adver-tising and pulled more than 8,000 paid admissions to get the record for any day since the annual was organany day since the annual was organ-ized in 1937. Closing day admissions were estimated to be near the same figure. Agricultural and livestock exhibits

predominated with a parade and horse show being featured.

#### **Radio Show Scheduled** For Hutchinson Event

HUTCHINSON, Kan., Sept. 13.— Station, KMBC, Kansas City, Mo., will have its Dinner Bell Round-up Show at the Kansas State Fair here for five days, September 15-19. Broadcasts from the grounds will feature Phil Evans, station's farm di-rector; Hiram Higsby, the Rhythm Riders, the Tune Chasers, Millie and Sue, Colorado Pete, Jed Starkey and Don Sullivan. Unit played at the recent Missouri State Fair, Sedalia.

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## Calif. Annual **Big for Crafts**

Org pays fair \$49,352.85 for 10-day event --- shows gross 16G on opening day

SACRAMENTO, Sept. 13.—Crafts Combined Shows, the rides and con-cessions of the 20 Big and Exposition shows, made a flashy display at the 10-day California State Fair here and filled an amusement zone 1,280 by 350 feet at the back of the 208-acre fairgrounds.

O. N. Crafts, represented by Frank Warren, manager of the 20 Big, and Roger Warren, manager of the Exposition, exerted every effort to make this date the biggest thing in the history of the shows. Occupying the back spot was the Hollywood Kiddieland. an innovation in fair amusements.

With the fair pulling 658,038 people and setting a new attendance record, Crafts paid \$49,352.85 for the privilege of playing the event. Privi-lege was on the basis of 7½ cents per lege was on the basis of 7½ cents per person, whether paid admission or a pass. The fair, scheduled to open at 6 p.m. August 28, opened at 4 p.m instead, to take care of the crowds. Attendance for the opening evening was 18,766. Attendance for the first full day was 37,681 with the carnival doing \$16,000 gross or about 42 cents per person. Sunday's attendance, August 31 bit the roof with 128.846 August 31, hit the roof with 128,846 people.

#### **Bill Meyer in Charge**

With Bill Meyer in charge the kiddieland played to 37,000 kids Sunday at 25 cents per ride. The kiddie zone had 18 rides and occu-pied an area 250 by 350 feet. Meyer used 150-foot neon front and sides all around the back. He flashed the used 150-foot neon front and sides all around the back. He flashed the location with six 30-foot light towers. Over the kiddie train a 40 by 60 shelter top was used. More than 100 benches were spread around thru the "park." Charging the same price, 21 and 4 cents, for each ride, five ticket boxes took care of the crowds. A ticket was good on any ride.

Included in the kiddieland were a Merry - Go - Round, three Kiddle and were a Merry - Go - Round, three Kiddle Autos, two kiddle Merry-Go-Rounds, two kiddle Airplanes, two miniature trains, one large train, one motor ride, a kiddle Roller Coaster or Lit-tle Dipper, two Pony-Go-Rounds, pony cart ride, fire engine, and Cros-ley bus. Following Sunday's human deluge,

(See Calif. Big for Crafts on page 91)

## **Calif. Fair Shows** Head Toward L. A.

LIVINGSTON, Calif., Sept. 13.-California Fair Shows, headed by Cal Enfield, moved out of here Monday Enfield, moved out of here Monday (15) after enjoying fair business. Enfield said the season to date has been "only fair." However, the shows, working southward to Los Angeles, plan to play dates around that city and move into the Imperial Valley for the winter. Valley for the winter. Org opened its season April 2.

Shows move on 10 trucks and rides include Merry-Go-Round, dou-ble Loop-O-Plane, double Chairplane and Ferris Wheel. Kiddie rides in-clude Bomber Plane and kiddie cars. There are 27 concessions. Personnel includes Ray Langford,

Personnel includes Ray Langford, advance and general agent; Fred Munger, photos and sound truck; Al Sawyer, electrician; Beryl Robinson and Bertie Segrest, tickets; J. R. Woods; Felix Martinez, Whitey Rob-inson and William Messina, stores; George Adams and family, mitt; El-don Scott, jingle board; George Ja-cobs, hot dogs and B. P. Surlet.

## Hennies, Rand Tell Alleged "Shake" to Iowa Grand Jury For Cavalcade

DES MOINES, Sept. 13. — Sally Rand and officials of Hennies Bros.' Shows appeared before the Polk County Grand Jury at Des Moines in connection with an alleged "shake-down" attempt during the Iowa State Pain Fair.

Miss Rand came to Des Moines to where she was appearing with the Hennies Bros.' Shows. She flew by plane to Des Moines to testify and arrived back at Spencer by noon, missing several shows. missing several shows.

Frank Tezzano, operator of the Hawaiian Girl Show, testified at the same time, while Harry W. Hennies, owner of the shows, and Keith Chapman, business manager, appeared the day before.

Sally told reporters it was her first trip before a grand jury and that she didn't know what the al-leged shakedown was about.

Hennies officials reportedly claimed the close of the Iowa State Fair at at the close of the lowa State Fair that a person who represented him-self as an assistant prosecutor de-manded payoff money to permit the shows to operate at the exposition. It was contended that the person de-manded \$300. Sidney Levine, former Polk County Assistant Attorney, has admitted he

#### All-Maritime Org Loses \$1,400 in Office Robbery

McADAM, N. B., Sept. 13.—During the stand of the All-Maritime Shows here, a thief broke into the office

here, a thief broke into the ollice trailer and made away with \$1,400. Entrance was gained by removing a small wire screen from a window. Theft was discovered by Cecil Wig-gins, who with Len (Kid) Dryden, owns the org.

sought \$100 from Hennies but contends it was for legal services. Mean-while Levine has filed suit for \$100 against Hennies.



LONG BEACH, Calif., Sept. 13.-Nate Miller, 64, well-known park man and ride operator, died at his home here early Wednesday (10) fol-lowing a heart attack. Born May 28, 1883, in Kovna, Russia, he came to America as a young man and entered outdoor show husiness about 40 years outdoor show business about 40 years ago.

At one time he was associated with the Nat Reiss Shows when that org was operated by Nat Reiss and rewas operated by Nat Reiss and re-mained when the show was taken over by Mrs. Melville. He was con-nected with this concern for about 20 years. Later Miller went into the exposition field and was associated with Dallas and San Francisco ex-pandition. positions.

Moving to this city 14 years ago, Miller had been semi-retired since 1941 tho he still operated rides and Penny Arcades at Venice, Ocean Park Long Beach.

and Long Beach. He was a life member of the Pa-cific Coast Showmen's Association, Shriners in Peoria, Ill., and No. 880 Elks in Long Beach. A bachelor, he is survived by a sister and four nieces. Services were at Motell's Mortuary, Long Beach, Friday, Rabbi Crafman and H. A. (Pop) Ludwig officiating. Pall bear-ers were Hubert Cole, Mack Bybee, Elmer Hildebrand, Henry Hardy, Charles Murray and Joe Illions. Burial was in Sunnyside Cemetery, Long Beach. Long Beach.

# **25%** Increase At Louisville

#### Shows Pace Midway Business

#### By a Staff Correspondent

LOUISVILLE, Sept. 13. - Al Wagner's Cavalcade of Amusements was doing better than all right here this week at the Kentucky State Fair. Taking time out Thursday night (11) from his office-wagon activities, Al gave out with some comment on husiness to that point coving among

business to that point, saying, among other things, that the rides and shows were '25 per cent ahead of 1946 to the corresponding point.

#### **Back-End Potent**

The increase is due in a large measure to the upped attendance at the fair itself, Wagner allowed, adding with emphasis that it can also be at-tributed in part to the fact that his org's back-end totes more power than it did when it was in here last year.

it did when it was in here last year. Thursday night the back-end shows were getting heavy 1 atronage. They constitute a formidable array of money-getters and, in this show-happy area, they were cashing in heavily. The battery of shows, all dressed up and presenting much crowd-lure on the outside, pulled them in large numbers. Midrate Places 'Fm

#### Midgets Please 'Em

Midgets Please 'Em Clicking solidly was Mrs. Kose's Midget Show. Scenic effects, only recently completed, are striking. Midgets, garbed in cowboy-cowgal costumes, give out with a Western song, dance and gag routine which scores solidly with the customers on the bleacher seats. Other shows in the line-up have plenty on the inside to support the out-front build-up. Games concessionaires thru Thurs-day were faring well. To be sure, Louisville newspapers took a belt at some of the games, but they were not

some of the games, but they were not as violent as last year in this respect.

#### Atherton Joins

Atherton Joins Arthur Atherton, until recently as-sociated with Fitzie Brown, was due to join Friday (12) as secretary. Atherton was with Wagner last year. From here the org will go to Co-lumbus, Ga., for a still date, which will 5e followed by another still as yet unsigned, after which it will play three successive fairs, Tupelo, Jack-son and Laurel, all in Mississippi. Visiting show folks here this week included J. C. McCaffrey, general agent of the Hennies Bros.' Shows, and Mike T. Clarke, retired general agent, for many years with the S. W. Brundage Shows and now an In-dianapolis resident. Fair execs who visited included Joe Redding, of At-lanta.

lanta.

#### Elmer F. Cote Books S. E. Michigan Celes

DETROIT, Sept. 13. — Elmer F. Cote, former operator of the Wol-verine Shows, has booked two late Southeastern Michigan celebrations, the South Lyon Homecoming and Festival and the Disco Homecoming and Veterans of Foreign Wars Jam-bore boree.

The affair at South Lyon is backed by the Kiwanis Club.

#### **Imperial Exhibition Org Raises \$500 for PCSA**

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 13. — Members of the Imperial Exhibition Shows raised \$500 at a benefit in the Hippodrome top at the Pacific Na-tional Exhibition here for the Pa-cific Coast Showmen's Association.

## I. T. & Cole Shows Net NSA \$300 in Benefit at Mineola

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. -(L. I.) Fair was the locale of a rather unique jamboree for the National Showmen's Association (NSA) Thursday night (11) sponsored by the own-ers of the I. T. Shows, occupants of ers of the 1. 1. Shows, occupants of the midway, with circus owner James M. Cole providing the tent and en-tertainment. The highly successful affair netted the NSA \$300, thru sale of tickets, donations and fines levied during a hilarious mock court gag.

Phil Isser and I. Trebish, owner of the I. T. Shows, who promoted the jamboree, found the idea expanding to a point where they realized they had no tent on the midway equipped to properly accommodate the ticket buyers and delegated Sam Rothstein and Executive Secretary Walter K. Sibley, of the NSA, to seek the co-operation of Cole, whose big top was pitched in front of the fairground grandstand. Cole, an NSA member, not only offered the use of his tent but volunteered to put on a real show and to arrange with the man-agement of the fair for use of lights and other details. Phil Isser and I. Trebish. owner and other details.

For the Mineola date the Cole big For the Mineola date the Cole big top was erected on the race track, with the half facing the grandstand entirely open and only four sections of seats installed. Instead of oc-cupying grandstand seats, the jam-boree spectators filled the circus seats in front of the center ring, where all acts worked for the bene-fit performance. fit performance.

Bandmaster Charles Cutbert not only directed the band but, also em-seed the show. Acts, all from the Cole show, appeared in following or-der: Cole's Liberty Iorses, handled by Lew Barton; Grace McIntosh, webbing routine; Marcille Visengard, vocal solo; Tama Frank and Patsy, rope spinning and whip cracking; Cole's elephants, presented by seven-year-old James M. Cole Jr.; Joe and Annette Dobas, perch act; La Bird Brothers and Irvin Romig, clown gag; Senorita Flordelina, wire act; Ida Senorita Flordelina, wire act; Ida May Kerley, contortionist: Tama Frank and Patsy, knife throwing, and the Duttons (2), bareback riding.

#### All Win Big Mitts

Show was tops and all acts bowed off to big hands. At close of the per-formance the audience cheered the performers, band and circus employ-ees and joined Sam Rothstein in ex-tending thanks to James M. Cole and the entire circus personnel.

and the entire circus personnel. Actively assisting in putting across the jamboree were Phil Isser, I. Trebish, Harry Sussman, Louis Sherer and Blance Henderson, of the I. T. Shows, with practically every-body on the midway co-operating, in-cluding independent ride operators and concessionaires on the lot. As usual, members of the NSA Auxiliary turned out and did their bit. Several usual, members of the NSA Auxiliary turned out and did their bit. Several NSA members from New York, in-cluding Jack and Mrs. Lichter, Sam and Mrs. Rothstein, Al Janpol, Al Horowitz and Morris Brown, as-sisted at the jamboree.

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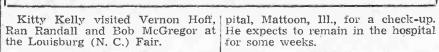
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One inch of rain doesn't seem like much unless it falls on a big day at a fair.

Charlie (Hoss) Johnson cards that he visited James H. Drew Jr. at the Michigan State Fair, Detroit.

While playing Sherman, Tex., re-cently, Bessie Bessette, member of the Bill Hames' Shows, entertained friends on the Clyde Beatty Circus.



Aeronca.

Institue, Salem-burg, N. C. Young Trout, who will handle publicity on the B G D Shows this fall, recently won his pilot's license and flies his own

To preserve their charm, midway chil-dren should stop repeating their dad's corny jackpots.

Doc Hagaar is teaming up with Gene Yarnell, manager of the Chan-dler Theater, Detroit, for a series of indoor shows and promotions in Michigan this winter.

Big midway takes at fairs have given showmen a chance to restore circulation in their crossed fingers.

C. E. Frazier has returned to school in Ocala, Fla. His father, Art Frazier, of the Johnny J. Jones Exposition, presented him with a new car before he left the show.

Mabel L. Fish, who has been ill the past 10 years, has been dis-charged from a hospital and is now residing at 308 West Burnham Street, Battle Creek, Mich.

Around the Gate & Banner Shows everybody is allowed to speak his mind-pro-vided he hasn't much of a mind.

Frank M. Sutton Jr. reports that the Great Sutton Shows enjoyed a big Labor Day celebration at Zeigler, Ill., and enjoyed their best still date of the season so far at Sikeston, Mo.

Elmer Ritzheimer, ice cream and candy concessionaire, has been sad-dened by the death of his dog, Peggy, his constant companion for 11 years and widely known to Midwest show people people.

Trouble with the early-day, letterheads only, midways that titled themselves "Great United Shows" was they had no one to be united against.



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Pearl and Bill Hollis Reed, who closed with the Johnny Tinsley Shows, now have their bingo with Shan Bros. for the fall circuit of fairs. Jimmie Miller, Key West, Fla., joined the Reeds in Tazewell, Va., as stock man and relief caller.

Billy Logsdon, who closed with Turner Brothers at the Du Quoin, Ill., Fair, joined the Rogers Greater Shows with an all-new side show. The Logsdon org furnished the back ord for the Perers above at the Tis end for the Rogers show at the Tif-ton County Fair, Covington, Tenn., where Renee joined with his Life Show. Kathy Doron visited Linda Lopez at the Covington annual.

Midway optimist is one who believes the reason "concessionaires love privilege collectors" isn't loudly ballyhooed is because of a shortage of loud-speakers.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Bejano (Emmett, the Alligator Boy, and Priscilla, the Monkey Girl), after appearing with a side show at Cana-dian fairs, returned to this country to play first at the Illinois State Fair, Springfield, with the Lorow Bros.' No. 2 Side Show, then at Minnesota (Sag Midanuy Comftheon Pages 74) (See Midway Confab on page 74)

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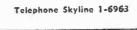
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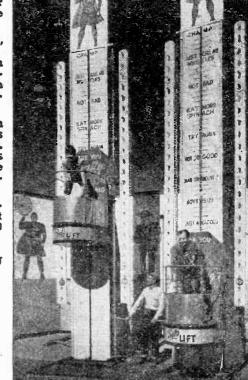
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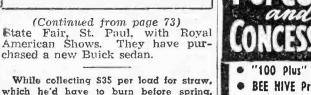
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which he'd have to burn before spring, from midwayites that needed it on a muddy fairground, a farmer said: "I'm the poor country yokel you carnival wisemen have so much fun with."

Midway Confab

The Billboard

Gerald Snellens paid a brief visit to The Billboard's New York office en route from Brockton, Mass., to his home in Allentown, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. Scotty LaBrake took delivery on a new custom-built trailer recently while in Charlotte, N. C., for a few days' vacation.

Mrs. Mabel Fish, well known in outdoor show circles, who has been in ill health for the past 10 years, has been released from a Battle Creek, Mich., hospital. She recently lost her sight and is making her home at 308 West Bernham Street in that city. She would like to receive news from her friends there.

Jean Nadja payed a return visit to the Royal Crown Shows during the org's stand at the Huntsville, Ala., Fair and renewed acquaintances with Tresa Tracy, Life Show manager. Nadja and Jackie Lopez recently took delivery on new drapes and costumes for their Strip Follies on the J. J. Page Shows.



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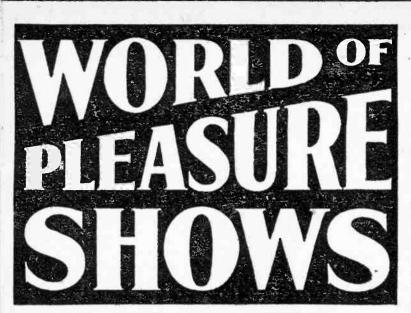
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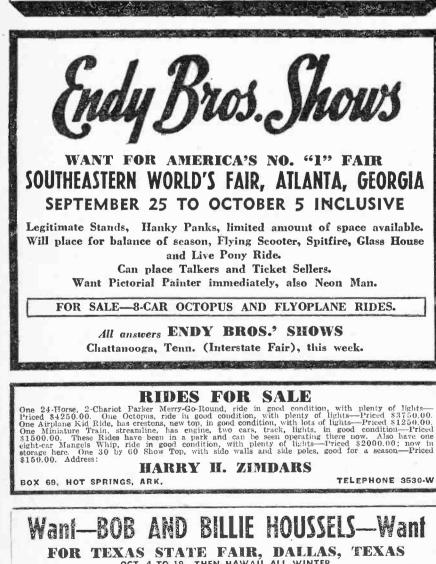
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# CLUB ACTIVITIES

### Show Folks of America San Francisco

The Billboard

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 13.—Thurs-day's (4) meeting was bazaar night and Co-Chairman Lucille Dolman reported the response excellent. First Vice-President Nell Robideaux preof President Jimmy Lynch. It was announced the regular weekly meet-ings will be resumed Thursday night (18).

Pictures taken at Bill and Nancy Meyers' party are available at \$1 each. All money taken in on the pictures will go to the club. The Meyers recently sold their home and are moving to their Hollywood park-ing lot<sup>®</sup>

Babe Miller, patient in Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, has suffered a set-Lebanon Hospital, has suffered a set-back and will be hospitalized for an-other week or more. George Rosen is reported ill in Vancouver, B. C. Others on the sick list are Madame Delma and Sis Dyer. Sympathies are extended Harry Suker on the death of his sister, Lillian Youngman. New members are Kyle and Char-lotte Edwards

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lotte Edwards. Donation received: From Vera Downie, \$5 for the sick and relief. Jennie Riegel reports the raffle being conducted for the sick and re-lief fund is meeting with good re-sponse. Emily Bailey is planning a bunco party this fall

bunco party this fall. Emily and Dave Friedenheim are reported on their way back to the Coast

Coast. Called on for short talks were Vivian Gorman, Cecelia Kanthe, Jen-nie Riegel and Charles Blair. Com-munications were read from Mike and Babe Herman, Lillian Nicholas, Joe Mead, Virginia Kline, Lillabelle Williams. Paul Huedepohl Orel and

### Michigan Showmen's Association

### 3153 Cass Avenue, Detroit

DETROIT, Sept. 13.—The home has been renovated for the opening of the fall season, including the painting of the marquee. A new stage has been installed in the large meeting room for the actors' com-pany, whose first play was Uncle Vanya and whose current production, The Importance of Being Earnest is The Importance of Being Earnest, is

The Importance of Being Earnest, is drawing big crowds. During the Michigan State Fair many visitors were noted in the clubrooms, including Harry Modele, Eppy and Bennie Gosser, Joe Marks, Bill Loninger, Don Elliott and Charles Stapleton. Secretary Bernhard Robbins re-cently returned from Toronto where he visited the Canadian National Ex-bibition and visited with Patty Conk-

hibition and visited with Patty Conk-lin and Dave Picard.

lin and Dave Picard. Membership applications have been received from Robert Lewis, Frank Randall, Bert H. Britt, Sol Gurard, M. M. Webb, Herbert R. Fine, Ben-nie Fisher, Joseph Paladichuk, Louis Y. Handel, George Bartley, James H. Drew Jr., Ralph Arnold Miller, M. J. Coules, Paul (Jack) Greeley, Elmer Kersten, Don Wish, Theodore Rose, John L. Choyke, Robert Paul DeLap, Ephraim Glosser, James Gallagher and Joe Caplan. It was reported here previously

It was reported here previously that Wauna Jones was passing out cigars on the birth of a daughter. It should have read "a son."

Jack Kent, L. C. (Blackie) Stark and T. Dwight Pepple. Guests at Thurs-day's meeting were Ellen Cannon and Mrs. Horwitz.

Harry Quillen won the door prize.



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**Pacific Coast** Showmen's Association 1106 S. Broadway, Los Angeles 15

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 13. - Past President Ed Walsh conducted the Monday (8) session with Secretary Ed Mann assisting. New members are Ralph B. Chris-

tiansen Jr., Don H. Roberts, Jack Ryan, George E. Hiscox, owner of the Ziegler Shows; John A. Martin, Advian J. Whalen, Ed M. Edwards, Paul Ail, Henry Herman and Jack W. Schue.

W. Schue. Sick list includes George Rosen, seriously ill in General Hospital, Van-couver, B. C.; Charles Soderberg, recuperating in his home in Los Angeles, and Capt. Eric Kelley, re-cuperating in the desert from a long illness. Barney Tully reports he hopes to leave the rest home, where he is a patient part month he is a patient, next month. Paul Richmond returned here from

his trip thru the Midwest. His wife is on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Horwitz recently returned from their honeymoon.

for selling the most The prize building fund tickets during August went to Joe Steinberg. Drawing was won by Harry LaMack who cele-brated his 73d birthday Tuesday (9).

### **Heart of America** Showmen's Club

931A Broadway, Kansas City, Mo.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 13.-Mr. and Mrs. William B. (Bill) Myler and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Geyer and son Billy, Frear's United Shows, visited, coming in from St. Joseph, Mo., where the shows played this week

Rumor has it Edward (Slim) Johnson, of Midwest Mercantile Company, will enter the bonds of matrimony in December.

L. K. Carter again has taken the lead in the membership drive, fol-lowed by George Carpenter. The club will resume its weekly meetings early in October and Presi-dent Harold Elliott is looking forward to a lorge attendance. to a large attendance. Charles Coleman, custodian, says

club visitors this summer have ex-ceeded that of any previous year. Secretary G. C. McGinnis again calls the attention of the members

regarding 1948 dues, which are due now.

### Show Folks of America 1839 W. Monroe St., Chicago

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—Regular meeting was held in the Anne Lynch Home for show folks, with President May Adams Stoke presiding. Elected by the assembly to meet with the three elected by the board of direc-tors to present the 1948 slate of of-ficers were Past President Morton Schaeffer, Bud Schaeffer and Nellie Grosch.

There will be two socials at the home in September, the first, with Rose Page as hostess, Saturday (20) and the second by the home's board of governors Saturday (27). There will be refreshments and entertain-ment, and all show people are in-vited, whether members of SFA or not

not. Special thanks are due Mrs. George A. Hamid, New York, for her many contributions to the resale shop. Nellie Grosch, welfare chairman, reports Mother Christine Snow, 94, is coming along fine at the county hospital hospital. Club is seeking new and larger

uarters, and a committee, including Nellie Grosch, Rose Page, Etta Coult-hard, Jack Lamey, Bud Schaeffer and Isaac Chapple, has been named to lack into the matter to look into the matter.

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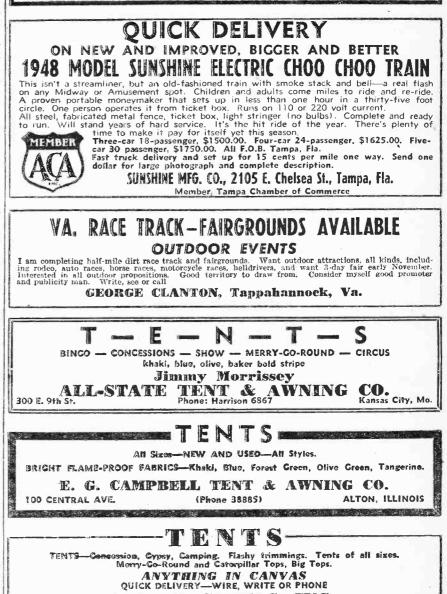
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# FROM THE LOTS

### **Douglas Greater**

SALEM, Ore., Sept. 13.—Everyone on the Douglas Greater Shows had a on the Douglas Greater Shows had a good week at the Oregon State Fair. New Salem-built device, *Ride the Sea-Cruise*, made its bow at the date, and it had a satisfactory showing. Mrs. Tom (Jenny) Armstrong sold tickets and gave an hourly check of gross and capacity for the builders, the Gerlingers. Tom Armstrong viewed the crowd and met the visitors who came to see the new ride.

who came to see the new ride. Mrs. Earle Douglas flew in from her Midway, Wash., home the Sunday be-fore the fair opened but had to fly back to place her daughter in school. William A. Mullen was in charge for Earle Douglas when the latter went to Puyallup, Wash., to prepare

for the next fair date. Bill has been in advance for the shows this year. He soon will become a grandfather. He delighted in talking over old-times on delighted in talking over old-times on the Levitt, Brown & Huggins Shows, with which he had been connected. Slim Tremaine, who also had been with that show, is in the Douglas office. George Gresham is second man, and he handles locations and general promotions. Ray and Midge Holden are with the shows. Ray, incidentally, has a new voice recording machine on which he records the voices of show folks and plays them back for his own amusement.

amusement. Jenny and Bob Perry, who have the Motordrome, plan to winter in Los Angeles. Lil and Dutch Schue made the fair, and Lil was busy collecting bazaar articles. Mike Krekos and his bride visited for a day. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weidman, of San Francisco, operated their soap booth. The Weidmans have been on a long tour playing fairs.

tour, playing fairs. Pickards' Redwood Empire Shows

played the Polk County Fair the week before the State Fair. As Monmouth is only 12 miles away, we drove over to catch it. Mr. and Mrs. Pickard were off on a booking trip, but Walton were off on a booking trip, but watton de Pellaton, who has some conces-sions, entertained in his trailer. as did Lucille Gilligan, who told of her trip to the Gresham Fair and the West Coast Shows. Doc Gilligan took in the races at Gresham. Pellaton re-ceived a letter from Babe and Whitey

ceived a letter from Babe and Whitey Perry, who reported opening of a sporting goods store in San Diego. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davis, who have the Eyerly rides on the Browning Shows, are planning to winter in Phoenix and will operate their rides in a park there. The writer had a pleasant telephone call from Marie Kortes, who was in Memphis. It was a business call, but there was a momentary shiver when

Memphis. It was a business can, but there was a momentary shiver when it occurred to the writer that she was supposed to finish a purse for the R.A.T.C. raffle and had forgotten it and thought Marie was calling to check.—VIRGINIA KLINE.

### **Caravella Amusements**

**Caravella Amusements** PHILLIPSBURG, Pa., Sept. 13.— Shows arrived here from Blairsville, Pa., and were all set to open Labor Day at 9 a.m. Owing to a big parade in a near-by town, however, the na-tives didn't get to the lot until around 2 p.m. The day wound up on the right side of the ledger, despite the late ar-rival

Manager Frank Caravella is busy Manager Frank Caravella is busy supervising the repainting of the rides and show fronts in preparation for the start of the southern fairs, the first of which is at Kingstree, S. C., open-ing Monday (22). Ride Superintend-ent John McGowen reports all rides are in tip-top shape mechanically. Mr. and Mrs. Caravella entertained many friends while nlaving here

Mr. and Mrs. Caravella entertained many friends while playing here. The staff: Frank Caravella, owner-manager; Mrs. Caravella, secretary-trasurer; Stanley (Stan) Reed, busi-ness manager; Philip Rich, general superintendent; John McGowen, ride superintendent; George Kirk, boss canvasman; John Yowns, electrician, and Blackie Hayes, bill poster.—PAT RYAN. RYAN.

JOHNSONBURG, Pa., Sept. 13.— Org played this spot for the Central Hose Company which was celebrating its 50th anniversary. Lot was loca-ted in the heart of town. Weather ted in the heart of town. Weather was fair and business good. Org opened Labor Day noon and business was fair. A parade at 6:30 p.m. really brought out the people, who spent freely but went home early. The rest of the week business was good. The Ferris Wheel topped the rides, followed by the Looper. The Monkey Show led the shows.

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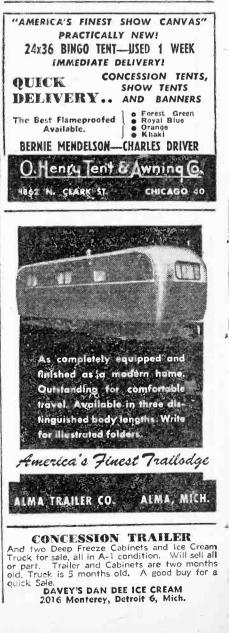
At Austin, Pa., we were under auspices of the firemen and Veterans of Foreign Wars. Weather was not too good but business, considering the elements, was okay. Rain delayed the opening a few hours, org not get-ting under way until 9 p.m. Rain interferred with biz two other nights.

The Ferris Wheel topped the rides and the Funhouse was second. Paul McClure, wheel foreman, left here for his home to undergo an operation. -BUD WIEGARD.

### **Bright Lights**

LURAY, Va., Sept. 13.—Org broke all midway records at Page County Fair for the week ending Saturday Fair for the week ending Saturday (6), despite two days of rain. New Flying Scooter topped the midway, with the Ferris Wheel second. Joe Kane joined with eight concessions. Anna Lee King joined for this date only with her Minstrel Show. M. J. Gratiot joined with three concessions. Chief Keetch added two.

Clark Queer and his cousin, Miss Donavan, were visitors. A. C. Brad-ley and Charles Nickols closed here. —MRS. H. C. KETCHUM.



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BILLY "BOZO" MACK Your letter just received. Join Chattanooga or Atlanta. JIMMY ANNIN

## Larry Nolan

SYRACUSE, Kan., Sept. 13.—A re-turn date here proved okay. The spot before, Horace County Fair at Tri-bune, also was good. The Scott City, Kan., fair piled up a gross equal to July 4, with all concessions reporting heavy play eavy play. Madelin Nolan has taken over the heavy

Madelin Nolan has taken over the bingo with Betty Dunn and Ernie Harrell on counters. Jack Reese and daughter, Bubbles, recently joined as did Dr. Barry with Freak Baby Show. Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Boxback) Warfeld ware colled to St. Louis by Warfield were called to St. Louis by illness in the family, but signed for 1948. Geo. Banks laid off a wec to go with the VFW band to Ohio for the convention.

for the convention. Elvin Bishop has the rides in top shape. Leroy Huffman, Rolloplane foreman and show's mechanic, has rolling stock in top form. The new office trailer has been completed. Built circus style with sunburst wheels, the front end is the office and the heat set up as 2 lounge

wheels, the front end is the office and the back set up as a lounge. Ted Lucky reports the grab joint clicking. His son, Doug, and Andy Reed take care of the electrical end of the show. Jess Bogart made a flying trip home to Wichita to put Judy in school. Arline Bishop reports her best season with the cigarette gallery.

Recent visitors were Ben Truex, Ralph Forsythe, and Mr. and Mrs. Dee Aldrich.

Shows jump to Colorado for the remainder of the season and again will winter in Denver.

### **Crescent** Amusement

MOUNT AIRY, N. C., Sept. 13.— Shows recorded their largest gross of the season thus far at the new Mount Airy Fair, which was bought outright. L. C. McHenry, owner-manager, op-erated everything from the front gate to the grandstand, which drew heavily, with Buck Owens Circus the feature. In addition to Owens, acts included Brownie, the clown, and the Flying Fishers. Jimmie Hurshberger, special agent, had 40 extra men on to handle the front gate and grand-stand. stand.

to handle the front gate and grand-stand. Org made a fast move in here from Asheville, N. C., and was up and ready for the opening by noon Mon-day. All attractions reported tre-mendous business. Caterpillar and twin Ferris Wheels took top money among rides. Jim Chavane's Circus Side Show packed 'em all week. Nor-man Wolf's Linda Revue clicked. Filipino Midgets attraction did well. Several new concessions joined here. Jack Lydick's best week yet with the Bingo. Joe Parenteau joined with a grab stand. Lewis's cookhouse at one end of the midway and Stew-art's on the other were still doing business Sunday morning.

art's on the other were still doing business Sunday morning. The writer was kept busy between the grandstand and the fairground gates, where 14 ticket sellers and ticket takers where employed. Visi-tors noted were Bill Page, Mighty Page Shows: Nora Boswell and mother; G. C. Mitchell, of the AMP Shows; committee from the Salisbury Fair Association. G. S. Alexandra and H. C. Gibson, of Iredel County Fair, Statesville, N. C.-LOUIS BRIGHT.

### Bill Lynch

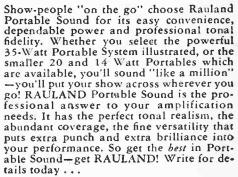
SYDNEY, N. S., Sept. 13. — Org unveiled its new Merry-Go-Round here at the North Sydney Fair and newspapers gave it plenty of pub-licity. Shows were on the first train to cross Northumberland Strait on a new ferry. The steamer handles rail cars as well as motor vehicles and passengers. Because they were the first shows to make the crossing on the new steamer between Prince Ed-ward Island and the mainland, they will get special mention in a railroad publication.

Sol Solomon and his diving girls re carried as the free act this are season.

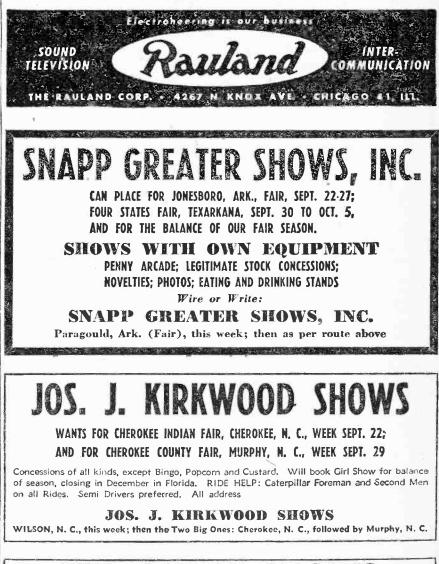


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DEXTER STREET FAIR AND FALL FESTIVAL, Dexter, Mo., September 22-27. GIDEON FALL FESTIVAL, Gideon, Mo., September 29-October 3. MONROE COUNTY FAIR, Aberdeen, Miss., October 6-11. GRENADA FAIR, Grenada, Miss., October 12-17. WITH INDIANOLA, CANTON AND TWO OTHER MISSISSIPPI FAIRS TO FOLLOW. This Show will stay out thru the month of November. Contact:

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Etowah, Tenn., week September 15; Elberton, Ga., Fair, week September 22; Manchester, Ga., Fair, week September 29.

P.S.-Sport Matthews, take notice; join Etowah, Tenn.

# MARION GREATER SHOWS

Will place for the following Fairs:

Horry County Fair, Conway, S. C., Sept. 29-Oct. 4; Pelzer Lions' Club Fall Festival, Pelzer, S. C., Oct. 6-11; York County Colored Fair, York, S. C., Oct. 13-18; Chester County Colored Fair, Chester, S. C., Oct. 20-25; Rock Hill, S. C., Colored Fair, Oct. 27-Nov. 1; Dorchester County Fair, St. George, S. C., Nov. 3-8; Bowman Gommunity Fair, Bowman, S. C., Nov. 10-15; with three others pending. These Fairs are all bona fide Fairs., Now booking legitimate Concessions of all kinds. Will sell exclusive on Custard, also Novelties. Attention Ride Owners: Will book one more Wheel, Tilt, Octopus, Spitfire, Roll-o-Plane, Kiddie Auto Ride. Following Ride Owners, please contact us: Harry Heller, Thompson Bros., Buster Cordon. All of our old Minstrel Show Performers and Musicians, join us at once. Will also book Fun House and Side Shows.

MARION GREATER SHOWS

S. E. SPAIN, Business Manager M. H. SPILLERS, Owner All replies Loris, S. C., this week.

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## From the Lots

### J. A. Gentsch

GREENWOOD, Miss. Sept. 13.-GREENWOOD, Miss., Sept. 13.— Stand here August 25-30 just six blocks from downtown, netted satis-factory business. Early part of the run was light, but it finished strong. VFW was the sponsoring org. Only beef was over the weather, which was hot.

Was hot. The trip was made without diffi-culty and credit for this is given Russell Cooper, chief mechanic and electrician, who has kept the rolling stock in excellent shape. Trucks and trailers are being repainted and let-tered under the direction of Cooper.

Mrs. J. A. Gentsch drove her children, Sonny and Myrna, to her mother's home in Winona, Miss., to put them in school. Mrs. Russell Cooper left for Houston to enroll the Cooper boys, Rusty and Bumpsy, in school, after which she will rejoin the shows. Mrs. Alice Halter, better known as

Mom Decker, is convalescing at the Sneed Nursing Home in Whitehaven, Tenn., following her discharge from a Memphis hospital.

HERNANDO, Miss., Sept. 13.— Week here was sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce. The lot was just one block off the down-Spending was light until the final three days which brought the gross three days which brought the gross up to an okay week's biz. Mr. and Mrs. Crane reported a good week with their custard and Harry Dunbar was well satisfied with his play on

the diggers. Biggest complaint came from the

Biggest complaint came from the men because most of their women folks made frequent shopping trips into Memphis. Highlight of the week was the wed-ding at the Ferris Wheel at 11 p.m. Thursday (4) of Roma Waddell, Wheel second man, and Joan Taylor, Memphis. Carl Cooper, Wheel fore-man, says he hopes none of the other ride boys decide to get married by the Wheel, but if they do he asks the people to throw the rice and old shoes at the bride and groom and not at him.

not at him. Sonny and Myrna Gentsch spent the week-end visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gentsch.

### Wolfe Amusement

THOMSON, Ga., Sept. 13 .- Move here from Augusta, Ga., where we had a winner despite terrific heat, was made in good time and every-thing was up and ready for the open-ing. Owner Ben Wolfe had more than 1,000 free ride tickets distributed to school children. It proved smart business because the kids brought

business because the kids brought the folks along. Mrs. Ben Wolfe returned to her home, having recovered from a recent operation. Mr. and Mrs. Halsted exchanged their Roycraft for a De Luxe Glider house car. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Brumley joined with their Funhouse and fishpond. Dimsdale added another show, this one being 12 Chinese Dragons. Org now has 4 rides, 4 shows and 30 con-cessions. cessions.

Seen and heard around the lot: Roy Halsted following Topper with shovel in hand. . . Benny Wolfe looking for the rummy gang. . . Mystery of the week: Garrison's fin of change on a Saturday night and the 74 cents turn-in by one of his agents after a turn-in by one of his agents after a big play all night. . . . Only eight weeks to go and then fishing in Florida for most of the personnel.— ERNIE SYLVESTER.



# WANT

Fun House, Ten In One, Girl Show and other Grind Shows of merit.

**ROGERS GREATER SHOWS** 

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PARSONS, TENN., this week.

# WANTED **Centennial** Celebration

Five or Six Modern Rides Week October 5. We furnish lot, license and power. Will book on percentage. immediately if interested. Wire

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Care B. & H. Amusement Co. Latta, S. C. Showing Skillet Fair this week.

## **COLEMAN'S** 'STATE SIDE'' SHOWS

Want any hankys not conflicting, \$21.00 per week; only one of each. Also Ride Help, one Wheel, Roff-o-Plane and Mix-Up. This week, Nicholas, S. C.; next week, Lake Vlew, S. C. "No racket." "No gate." Out until Nov. 30. If you drink don't answer.

### \$3.500.00

For Complete Carnival 1 10-Horse Flying Jenny, 2 years old; New 10-Car Kiddy Ride, 24-Seat Jones Chairplane with new I.H.C. Power Tuit, 1 1934 D.T. 2-Ton Truck, 1 1937 V-8 Truck, 1 Light Plant, Switch Boxes, Wire, etc., for complete midway. Having no storate space, must sell at once. JOHN HOOGERS, Implements Valley Springs, S. Dal



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Wild Life Exhibit 21/2 ton Truck, 18 Cages Ani-mals, 60-ft. Tent, \$2500.00 complete. Booked until Armistice Day. nesdale, Pa., week Sept. 17; then Bloomsbu W. D. LEAVENGOOD

### **CAN PLACE**

A few more Stock Concessions. Would like to hear from Bob Grubbes and Charley Oller. Can use a small Bingo. Going to the cotton after these two spots. De Soto, Mo., Legion Fall Festival, Sopt. 15-20; Farmington, Mo. (Fair), Sept. 23-27. Address: MOUND CITY SHOWS, AS PER ROUTE.



### WANTED WANTED

JOHNSON UNITED SHOWS Opening Sept. 25, Martin, Mich., Homecoming, 25 to 27. Ten more Celebrations to follow, end-ing in South, Armistice Day.

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1 Two-Ton 1942 GMC Truck with new tires, 1 Half-Ton 1936 Chev. Truck with good tires, 2 10-Kw. Light Plants in first-class condition, just overhauled, 1 Smith & Smith Chairplane in perfect shape, 1 10-Kw. D.C. Generator. \$3,000.00 Cash if sold this week. Can be seen in operation at Adelphi, Ohio, all this week. 'Have 1 10x10 Sit-Down Grab, com-plete, with almost new blue Top, \$350.00 Cash. Possession on all Saturday night, Sept. 20.

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Two booked Johnny J. Jones Shows, Sept. 15-20, Jackson, Tenn. (Fair); Sept. 22-27, Membis Tenn. (Fair). One at Streator, III. Wire for address. Price, \$800.00 each, as is. Car furnish all winter booking. Wire for Is. Can

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Concessions: Photos, French Fries, Custard, String Came, Ice Cream and other legitimate Concessions. Want Talker and one-Working Act for Side Show. Address Sam Coldstein, Majestic Greater Shows, Troy, N. C., this week.

### LEO ALLEN WANTS AGENTS

For Southeastern World's Fair, Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 25-Oct. 5. Be at Fair Grounds in Atlanta on Monday, Sept. 22. Want Agents for Ball Games, Cole Bottles, Hoop-La, Baskut Ball and Balloon Darts. Must be soher and hustlers. Address LEO ALLEN, c/o Great Sutton Shows Malden, Mo., until Sept. 22; then Fair Grounds, Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 22-Oct. 5.

# ROY ALLEN WANTS

FOR LONG SEASON-AGENTS For Pin Store, Count, Store, Skillo and Wheels. Wire: ROY ALLEN c/o JOS. J. KIRKWOOD SHOWS Wilson. No. C., this week: followed by Cherokee and Murphy, N. C.

# Florida Amusement Co. WANTS Join on wire, Crab Joint for winter. Slum Concessions only.

Brunswick, Ca., this week; Palatka, Fla., follows. All address **HOWARD INGRAM** 

WANT COOKHOUSE PAGE BROS.' SHOWS Lebanon, Tenn., this week; Hartsville, Tenn.,

Fair, next week.

**Cookhouse Help Wanted** To join at Abilene, Texas, w SNIPPY KOBB c/o BILL HAMES SHOWS Abliene, Tex., this week.

### Johnny T. Tinsley

ROME, Ga., Sept. 13. — Location here is just off Broad Street, close to Main, and so close to the dime store that the buyers for the hanky panks had stock room boys carry their purchases to the lot for them. Judging by the number of trips made, each day's biz here was satisfactory.

Monday night (8) it rained for about 45 minutes, which cut into business. Tuesday night the weather was fine, however, and business was

big. The Labor Day celebration at Idle

The Labor Day celebration at Idle Hour Park, Phenix City, Ala., didn't break any records but satisfactory business was enjoyed by all. Joinin; recently were R. E. Varner, studio on wheels; Pierre Venner and family, bingo; Jack and Leslie Cole-man, who rejoined after a brief vacation; Lacy Scott, perfume spin-dle; Fr.nk Crawford, pitch-till-you-win, and Dolly Dimple, Congress of Fat Folks, who joined in Phenix City. Prince Yellow Boy and Bimbo, the clown, have taken over the Krazy the clown, have taken over the Krazy Kastle.

Kastle. Leon Dailey, Fly-o-Plane foreman, was injured Monday (8) when a steel pole dropped on his foot. Altho still on crutches he is on the job. Mrs. John T. Tinsley, wife of the owner, has been busy entertaining guests in addition to her duties in the office wagon. Mrs. Kate Thomp-son and daughter, Myra Ann, are vacationing in Columbus, Ga., as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Neal Massaro, retired show folks. Recent visitors: Bobby Kline, Cav-alcade of Amusements; Fred Al-

alcade of Amusements; Fred Al-lamny, Eddie Wheeler Shows, and Earl D. Backer, L. J. Heth Shows.— H. SAWYER.

### Alamo Exposition

CHICKASHA, Okla., Sept. 13 .-Alamo Exposition Shows enjoyed a good week at Salino County 4-H Club Fair, Salina, Kan. Rides and shows enjoyed good patronage, with concession biz reported satisfactory. J. C. Davis, mechanic, saw all the trucks into Dodge City, Kan., without mishap. He is credited with doing an excellent jdb of keeping the roll-ing stock in top condition. Biz in ing stock in top condition. Biz in Dodge City was good for the rides and shows, but the concessions did not do so well. Maybelle Custer left. Jack Ru-

Maybelle Custer left. Jack and back, owner-manager, recently was visited by his brother, Chink, of the Midland Jewerly Company, Kansas

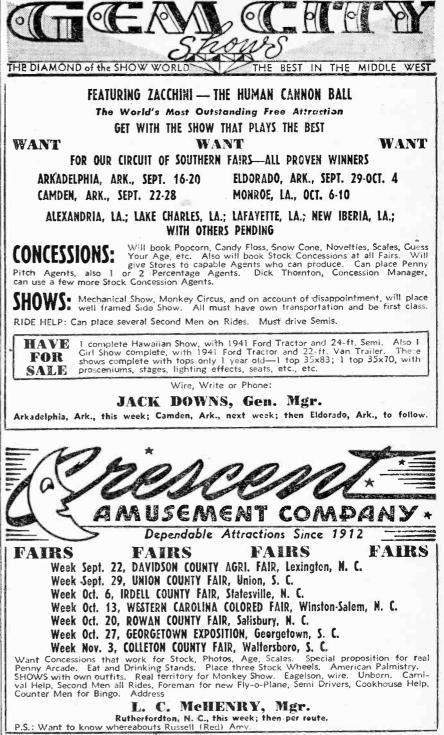
City, Mo. Betty Jo Ulcar, daughter of Joe and Babe Ulcar, is preparing to 50 back to Texas University. Shows are heading south for Texas dates.

### A. Srader

М. WASHINGTON, Kan., Sept. 13.— Patsy Srader, secretary, reports that the concessionaires joining here were the concessionaires joining here were Mr. and Mrs. Oran Jones and sons, of Wichita, Kan. Jones has taken over the bingo stand, while Mrs. Jones has placed her popcorn stand. Jim Bybee will operate the wheel and his wife, Mattie, will have the beat-the-dealer. Freddie Howie visited and will join at a later date. Coonie Clark is doing a good job of getting the trucks in first-class shape. Jockey Jones visited his many friends at the Topeka State Fair and returned in a plane owned by Marian Young, a progressive young member of the fair board at Washington, Kan.

# Paul's Amusement Co. Can use for Hot Springs and Clarksville, Ark., Fairs, and balance of season. Legit Stock Con-cessions, all kinds. Shows of all kinds. Ride Help that drive trucks. Hot Springs, Trl-Coun-ty Fair, Sept. 15-20. Clarksville Fair, Sept. 22-27. Then more Arkanass spots in the Cotton, Will stay out as long as the weather permits. All really 10.

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# WANT-MCBRIDE BROS.' SHOWS-WANT

Ridee-O Foreman. Use a few more hanky panks, Cook House, Train. One Flat Ride, anything not conflicting. Can place Side Show with own outfit. Small Grind Shows.

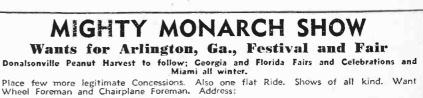
Walnut Cove, N. C., this week; King Fair, King, N. C., next.

# WANTED

Fayetteville, Ga., Fair this week

WILLIAMSBURG, KY., FOLLOWING Concessions—Duck Pond, Pitch Till You Win, Hoop-La, Ball Games, Novelties, Class Pitch, Mitt Camps. Coopers no longer here. Shows—Any independent Shows with own outfit. Betty Jane, get in touch with Ken McVan. Rides—Will book Spitfire, Roll-o-Plane or Octopus. Edward Bryant, get in touch.

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# **Franks'** Playland **Still Going Strong On Macon Lots**

MACON, Ga., Sept. 13.—Franks' Playland, now in its 23d week, is still going strong on Macon lots, currently playing at Smith and Mitchell streets.

playing at Smith and Mitchell streets. A record-breaking crowd of 10,000 visited the attractions Labor Day at Sawyer's Lake, about six miles from town on U. S. Highway 80. W. E. (Bill) Franks, head of the org set a new record in moving Clos-

W. E. (Bill) Franks, head of the org, set a new record in moving. Clos-ing midnight, August 30, at a lot in Tybee, South Macon, the outfit tore down and moved to the Sawyer's Lake location and had everything in readiness for operation at 2 p.m. Sunday (31). There was brisk bi: thru Sunday and on Labor Day the year's top biz was recorded, with a stream of customers starting at 8 a.m. The rest of the week was quiet, with little activity and no appreciable grosses until Saturday and Sunday. Bob Smallwood succeeded Art Pettit as chief electrician. Pettit

grosses until Saturday and Sunday. Bob Smallwood succeeded Art Pettit as chief electrician. Pettit closed with his Choo-Choo Train and sound car. N. C. Pettit is ill at his home in Leesburg, Ga. He is the lessor of the four major rides with the org. Berry L. Benton joined as foreman of the Chairplane, Charles Mayers joined with a bowling alley and Hack McAbee with a pitch-till-you-win. you-win.

Visitors included Charles Drill, former ride owner now operating a tourist camp in Macon; Bill Brown, former show owner, engaged in similar business near Adel, Ga., and Bill Hancock, Moultrie, Ga.

### **Carnival Worker Handed Five-Year Jail Term**

BEAUMONT, Tex., Sept. 13.-John Francis Tomany, laborer on the Blue Ribbon Shows, was arrested last month in Sullivan, Ill. (*The Billboard*, Scatter bar 6), file July May Month in Sullivan, III. (*The Bullooard*, September 6), after Linda May Miller, four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Miller, bingo operators on the Blue Ribbon Shows, recognized his picture in a detective magazine. Tomany pleaded guilty to murder without malice and was sentenced to five years in prison.

He was charged with murder in the fatal beating of Eugene Weaver, another carnival worker, here a year ago. The charge was reduced on mo-tion of the State.

# WANTED

Experienced Stockmen, Crooms, Animal Men, Lecturers, Circus Mechanic. Consider mar-ried couple, wife to handle tickets. Boss Canvasman, Superintendent. McIntosh, wire. This Show never closes.

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### NEW REGAL SHOWS WANT

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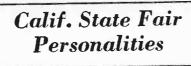
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SACRAMENTO, Sept. 13.—Chub Morgan, of Rollo, Inc., Fresno, dis-playing his new ride in the machinplaying his new ride in the machin-ery department of the fair. . . J. William Olgardt, supervisor of ex-hibits, signed a membership applica-tion for the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association. He was signed by PCSA prexy, Bill Hobday. Jewel and Bill Hobday did all right with their mentalist act, being spotted on a corner near the grandstand. . . O. N. Crafts marked the biggest date in the history of his shows by having a birthday. . . Barrett Garages in San Francisco parked an average of 6,000 cars daily. . . Harry Har-grave and Stewart (Eddie) Tait, Manila showman, up from Los An-geles, visited the grounds. Tait plans to return to Manila shortly. Joe Krug's hot dog stand was spot-

Joe Krug's hot dog stand was spot-ted to the back of the fairgrounds near the Future Farmers of America building. Assisting here were Flor-ence and Lloyd Lusby. . . . Ernest O. Hulick, secretary-manager of the San HUNCK, secretary-manager of the San Diego County Fair, up from Del Mar to see the big event. . . Art Craner was at the fair during the opening days. . . Mickey Hogan had an in-dependent jewelry stand just outside the Craft lot the Craft lot.

the Craft lot. L. G. Chapman, of the Foley & Burk Shows, playing in Modesto prior to moving to Merced to play W. C. Woxberg's Merced County Fair, visited. From the same shows came Jane and Charlie Albright and Edna and Council Raiford. . . . Spot Ragland took pride in showing his new 52-foot trailer to his many show friends. . . Bill Meyer will put rides in the Emporium in San Francisco during the Christmas holi-days to entertain the kids. . . Dick days to entertain the kids. . . Dick Washburne, of the Western Fairs Association, Inc., made color pictures around the grounds. . . . John T. Association, Inc., made color pictures around the grounds. . . John T. Backman and his glass. blowing ex-hibit were spotted in the education building. . . Carl T. Mills, of the Calaveras County Fair and Jumping Frog Jubilee, looked over the county exhibits. . . . Mary and Harry Tay-lor had a good corner with their ice cream stand.

### Charleston Realtors' Board Withdraws Kanawha Support

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Sept. 13.-Members of the Charleston Board of Realtors have adopted a resolution Realtors have adopted a resolution calling for the withdrawal of the board's support from the Kanawha State Park Association. The action is in protest against alleged "im-moral and indecent" shows presented on the midway of the fair at Dunbar by the Marks Shows.

A committee of three members of the realtors' group visited the fair's midway early in the week and re-ported to the fair management Tues-day (2) that at least two of the midway shows were "revolting and disgusting," but no action had been taken.

Copies of the resolution were mailed to other civic organizations and clubs that are members of the association, with request that they take similar action.

### Fire Damages Dugan Exhibit

OSKALOOSA, Ia., Sept. 13.—W. F. Dugan's World Wide Animal Ex-hibit sustained an estimated \$15,000 loss at the fairgrounds here Friday (5) when unit's semi-trailers, con-taining office, light plants and stock, were destroyed in a fire of undeter-mined origin. Dugan said the sec-tions lost in the fire will be rebuilt here. here.



Can Place for Conyers, Ga., Rockdale County Fair week of Sept. 22 and long route of bona fide fairs Concessions of all kinds, Fishpond, Bowling Alley, Cane Rack, Ball Games, Pitch-Till-Win, High Striker, Jewelry or any Stock or Slum Outfit. Can place Shows with own outfits. Liberal proposition.

Can place for Conyers and balance of season, Sensational High Act. Salary must be in keeping with the times.

Bud Dunavant, we are reserving space for you at Convers.

All wire

## C. C. Groscurth, BLUE GRASS STATE SHOWS

All this week, Marietta, Ga.; week September 22, Conyers, Ga.

# WOLFE AMUSEMENTS

ALL THIS WEEK MCCORMICK, S. C., AMERICAN LEGION FAIR; LINCOLNTON, GA., SEPT. 22-27; WOODRUFF, S. C.; FOUNTAIN INN, S. C.; GREENVILLE, S. C., COLORED FAIR FOLLOWING

Can place the following Concessions: Bowling Alley, Heart-Shape Pitch, Ball Games, Mitt Camp, Short or Long-Range Gallery and any legitimate Concession except Bingo and Eating Stands. These are bona fide Fairs. We play all Fairs until November 8. Can place an organized Minstrel Show, Monkey Show, any Show that can get money. Good opening for Noveltics. Will buy or book any Flat Ride; must be in good condition. Anna Lee King and Jimmy Shipman, get in touch with me.

All mails and wires to BEN WOLFE.



WANT Carnival Secretary that can handle Show in manager's absence. Want Concessions of all kinds that work for stock. Concessions all open except Bingo and Cookhouse. Want flashy Photo, Popcorn, Scales and Hoop-La for Kannapolis and dates to follow. SHOWS— Wild Life, Illusion, Side Shows with own transportation, Jig Show for biggest date in North Carolina this fall and dates to follow. Organized Shows, will furnish tops and haul. Contact this week. Snake Show, no Cirl Shows. Make all contacts to

C. E. DAVIS, Mgr. Wadesboro, N. C., this week; Kannapolis, N. C., week Sept. 22.

### **ROYAL EXPOSITION SHOWS** PEACH COUNTY FAIR, FT. VALLEY, GA., WEEK SEPT. 29 TO OCT. 4 With Milledgeville, Louisville, Statesboro and Savannah, Ca., Fairs to follow consecutively; then Florida for the winter. Want two good Free Acts. What have you, and price per week? Describe fully. Want sev-eral Rides that don't conflict, Penny Arcade, Custard, Scales, Motordrome, Shows with own outfits and transportation, efficient and sober Ride Help that drive Semis, sober Lot Man that can get it on and off the lot, Cookhouse and Grab Help, etc. Time is short, so contact early. Millen, Ca., this week; Vidalia, Ca., next; then the Fairs, as per route. **ROYAL EXPOSITION SHOWS** P.S.: Joe Hylton and Billy Segrist, get in touch.



# Farmville, Va., 5 Counties Fair week of Sept. 22

Want Ball Games, Fish Ponds, Duck Ponds, Grab. All Grind Concessions open except Bingo. Want Girl Show, Wild Life, Side Show, Jig Show. All replies to DUNCANSVILLE, PA., TILL SEPT. 17TH; THEN FARMVILLE, VA.



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WS-Lan place good wild Life Exhibit, Iron Lung or any not con-flicting with what we have. S-Can place large Merry-Go-Round, Spitfire or Caterpillar. No other rides wanted. Can place a few Workingmen that drive semis. Address all wires and mail to **LLOYD D. SERFASS, Gen. Mgr. RIDES-**

Edgewood, Maryland, this week



### WANT FOR THE FOLLOWING FAIRS:

Wayne County American Legion Fair—Goldsboro, N. C., Sept. 22 to 27.
VFW-Granville County Fair—Oxford, N. C., Sept. 29 to Oct. 4.
Durham County Legion Fair—Durham, N. C., Oct. 6 to 11.
North Carolina Colored State Fair—Durham, N. C., Oct. 13 to 18, and three good South Carolina Fairs to follow.
Side Show Acts, Annex Attraction to feature, write Jimmy Watts. Also Talkers for Snake and Girl Show.

 Side Snow Acts, Annex Attraction to feature, write Jimmy Watts. Also Talkers for Snake and Girl Show.
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> LAWRENCE GREATER SHOWS Smithfield, N. C., now; then as per above route.

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### JOE STARR

# There Surely Is Nothing Sure About This Midway Business - By Starr De Belle

THIS week is the big next week that we were promised last week. No matter how you figure it, there is nothing sure in midway business. What was a red date last year may be a total blank this year, and what was a blank last year may pan out the best date of the season. the best date of the season.

the best date of the season. After years without a carnival, when a closed town is opened, it is natural for midwayites to expect a boom in midway takes, only to find that the city fathers burned up a lot of unnecessary lung power in orations to vote it closed, because after opening the burg showmen learn that the towners themselves had closed it again by being dis-interested in midways, which they had forgotten. had forgotten.

had forgotten. According to the unwritten car-nival laws, it is considered ethical for showmen to boost known blank spots with "Our committee expects an attendance of 100,000." It is also ethical for a showman to tout his closing date, which he knows is a bad one, by advising his ham, bacon, grocery and poultry wheel conces-sionaires to stock up heavily for that bad date, knowing that they'll wind up with the stock on their shelves, which he will buy thru a medium of exchange known as "We'll take the privilege in meat and groceries." Be-ing the season's last spot, it means

I closed with a show in one of those meat-for-privilege spots one fall, only to find out that there is nothing sure in the midway business. It turned out to be a red one that gave the manager enough monay to gave the manager enough money to go to Florida for the winter, with we of the common herd living in dressing rooms under the grandstand at the mercy of a hotcake burner and meatless bean boiler.

### He Saved His Money

Years ago a small carnival was winter trouping in the sticks of South winter trouping in the sticks of South Texas. Some way the show man-aged to move by passing the hat and other methods known only to winter showmen. Everything was loaded in one boxcar and the personnel traveled or rather short-checked it-self thru on a party ticket. It was a hand-to-mouth existence for every hand-to-mouth existence for every

member of the troupe. On the show was a small-fry concessionaire known only as Arkansas Whitey. He was the come - easy - go - easy type that wanted to stay out as long as pos-sible before going home in order to sible before going home in order to not outlive his welcome there before spring arrived. Whitey had saved and sewed into his watch pocket a \$20 bill which he was hoarding as get-away-dough. Time and again he had almost let the thought of his mother's hot biscuits and warm home get the best of him but the man had

mother's hot biscuits and warm home get the best of him, but the man had will power and stuck it out. As a free act, the midway featured a water high diver, who was usually at the mercy of Ol' John Barleycorn. On nights when the diver couldn't pull his weight up the four sections of ladders, his helper, known to us only as the Punk, put on the actor's tights, then climbed to top pedestal and wait for the announcer to square and wait for the announcer to square him with:

him with: "Ladies and gentlemen, the wind is blowing 20 times harder at the tip top of that lofty tower than it is down here on the ground. Captain — is ready to risk both life and limb, yes, flirt with the Grim Reaper for your pastime and entertainment. He is a brave man, who thinks more of his public than he does of his own per-sonal safety. For him to dive off of that 100-foot pedestal would be to (See Nothing Is Sure on page 90)



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Bce's Old Reliable: Social Circle, Ga.; (Fair) Thomson 22-27.
Bell-Vinson: Jonesboro, Ark.; Newport 22-27.
Belnard & Barry: Stratford, Ont., Can., 15-17; Galt 18-20.
B. & H. Am. Co.: Latta, S. C.
Big State: Luling. Tex.
Blue Grass State: Marietta, Ga.; Conyers 22-27.
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Brewer's United: (Fair) Commerce, Tex.
Bright Lights Expo.: Clarksville, Va.; Nashville, N. C. 22-27.
Brodeck & Schrader: (State Fair) Hutchinson, Kan., 13-21.
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Buck, O. C.: Great Barrington, Mass.
Bullock Am.: (Fair) Bennettsville, S. O.
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Capell Bros.: Sulphur, Okla.; Oknnuigee 22-27.
Capital City: (Fair) Manchester, Ky.
Caravella Amuse.: Gratz. Pa.; Kingstree 22-27.
Casey, E. J.: (Fair) Maxville. Ont., 18; (Fair) Campbellford, Ont., 22-24.
Cavalcade of Amusements: Gadsden, Ala.
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22-27. Central States: Childress, Tex. Cetlin & Wilson: (Fair) Hagerstown, Md.; (Fair) Trenton, N. J. 21-27. Coastal Plain: (Fair) Kenly, N. C., 16-22; (Fair) Tarboro 24-30. Coleman Bros.: Rochester, N. H. Coleman's State Side: Nicholas, S. C.; Lake View 22-27.

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vine, Tenn., 22-21.
Elliott, D. W., Am. Co.: Columbia City, Ind.
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Evans United: Stover, Mo., 18-20.
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Gulf Coast: (Fair) Marvell, Ark.

Hames, Bill: (Fair) Abilene, Tex.; (Fair) Amarillo 22-27.
 Hannum, Morris: Lewisburg, N. C.; Zebulon 22-27.

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Happy Attrs.: Barnesville, O.; Dennison 24-27.
Happyland: Imlay City, Mich.
Harrison Greater; (Fair) Roxboro, N. C.; (Fair) Rutherford 22-27.
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Herson, J. L.: Greenwood, S. C.
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Silver States: Elwood, Neb.
Smith Amuse. Co.: Independence, Kan.
Smith Casey: Hugo, Okla.
Smith, Geo., Clyde: Duncansville, Pa., 15-17; Farmville 22-27.
Snapp Greater: Paragould. Ark.
Southern Valley: (Fair) Lake Village, Ark.; (Fair) Coushatta, La., 22-27.
Srader, M. A.: Broken Bow, Neb.
Standard Amuse.: Jefferson City, Tenn.; Sneedville 22-27.
Stafford's United: Lawrence, Ind.; North Vernon 23-27.
Stehlar, Greater: Stuart. Va.
Stephens, C. A.: Favetteville, Ga.
Strates, J. E.: Williamsport. Pa.
Stumbo, Fred R.: Aurora, Mo.
Sundower State: Perry, Okla., 14-20; (Fair) Bowie, Tex., 22-27.
Sunset Amuse. No. 2: Clarindo, Ia.; Coin 22-27. 23-25.
Imperial: Sieel, Mo.
Imperial Expo.: Fairfield, Calif., 19-21.
International: (Fair) Chandler, Okla.
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Johnny's United: Mount Vernon, Ind.
Jolly: Bowie. Md.; (Fair) La Plata 22-27.
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22-27. Long's United: Chico. Calif., 13-21. Lottridge, Harry: Samson, Ala., 18-20; (Fair) Graceville, Fla., 22-27.

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Martin United: (Fair) San Fernando, Calif.; (Fair) Highland Park 22-28.
McBride Bros.: Walnut Cove, N. C.; King 22-27.
McCali's: (Fair) Douglasville, Ga.; (Fair) Dallas 22-27.

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September 20, 1947

Nets MSA Fund \$515

riched by \$515 thru a midway jam-boree held on the midway at the Michigan State Fair here. Proceeds go to the club's building fund.

The event was held in Fred Miller's Orchid Revue tent. Ole Olsen, of the Olsen and Johnson show, was

of the Olsen and Johnson show, was emsee. Those taking part were guitarist Frank Cook, trumpeteer Leonard Sues, personnel of Orchid Revue, De Milo & Barr, canine act; Trip & Fall, comedy acrobats; four clowns from the Barnes-Carruthers grandstand show; Tony Marino, fire eater; a magician from Charles Hodges' show, and Melvin Burkhardt, anatomical wonder.

The MSA committee reported the

top co-operation from Hazen Funk, manager of the Michigan fair, and Buck Saunders, of the Floyd E. Good-ing Shows, both of whom attended.

Arrangements for the jamboree was made by Howard Templeton, Jack Dickstein, Harry Stahl, Arthur Rob-inson, Art Frayne and Herb Pence. Tickets were sold by Harry Modele

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Wilson Famous: Astoria, Ill., 18-20.
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Beatty, Clyde: Birmingham, Ala., 15; Mont-gomery 17-18; Selma 19; Tuscaloosa 20; Bessener 22; Talladega 23; Anniston 24.
Braly, E. R.: Florence, Ala., 15-20; Athens 22-27.
Cole Bros.: Jacksonville, Fla., 16; Wayeross. Ga., 17; Savannah 18; Charleston, S. C., 19-30.
Gould, Jay: Knox Clty, Mo., 15-17; Palmyra 18-20.

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Gran Circo Americano: Ambato, Ecuador, 16-18; Riobamba 19-21; Guayaquil 23-26.
Gran Circo Flamante: Fresno, Calif., 16; Mendota 17; Hollister 18; Gonzales 19; Castorville 20; Salinas 21-22; Mountain View 23; Oakland 24-25.
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Polack Bros.: (Jovis, N. M., 19-20.
P., ack Bros. (Western): Portland. Ore., 13-19.
Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey: Dallas. Tex., 15-16; Gainesville 17; Wichita Falls 18; Sherman 19; Paris 20; Shreveport, La., 22-23; Longview, Tex., 24; Tyler 25.

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Slout Players Tent Show: Waterloo, III, 15-20; Owensville, Mo., 22-27.
Woods Stage Show: Manor, Tex., 15-17; Coupland 18-20; Schwertner 22-24.

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and Belle Powers.

DETROIT, Sept. 13.—The Michi-Showmen's Association was en-

Lewis, Ted: Rock Hall, Md.; South Norfolk Mich. Fair Jamboree

22-27. Pike Am.: (Fair) Ava, Mo.; (Fair) Berryville 22-27. Pioneer: Tloga, Fa.; Milton 22-27. Pine State: La Grange, Ga.: Thomaston 22-27. Prel's Broadway: Lynchburg, Va.; (Fair) Lumberton, N. C., 22-27. Priddy: Seguin, Tex. Powelson Greater: Salinesville. O.; Butler 24-27.

Queen City: Ashville, O.

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Royal American: Wichita, Kan., 14-17.
Royal Crown: (Pair) Opelika, Ala.
Royal Expo.: Millen, Ga.; Vidalia 22-27.
Rupe's Midway for Fun: Alva, Okla., 15-17.
Sam's Funland: Pembroke, N. C.
Schafter Just for Fun: Bryan, Tex.; Crockett 22-27.
Shan Bros: (Fair) Sevierville Tenn: (Fair)

23-24. Sunshine: (Fair) Webster, Fla., 17-20. Tassell, Barney: Keysville, Va.: Appomatfox 22-27. Tossell Som, Difference

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Van Hooten: Cobden. Ont., 16-17; Metcalfe, 19-20; Beachburg 23-24.
Veterans United: Anita, Ia.; Lytton 18-20; Manson 22-24.
Victory Expo.: (Fair) Tulsa, Okla.; (Fair) Haskell, Tex., 23-27.
Victory United: Murdo, S. D., 18-20.
Virginia Greater: Williamston, N. C.
Wade, W. G., No. 1: (Fair) Ludington, Mich.; (Fair) Kalamazoo 22-27.
Walace Bros.: (Fair) Jackson, Tenn.; (Fair) Corinth, Miss., 22-27.
Wallace Bros. of Canada: (Fair) Leamington. Ont.; (Fair) Elleville 22-24.
Wallace, I. K.; Burkeville, Ve.; (Fair) Amherst 22-27.



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### **STEBLAR GREATER SHOWS** WANT

General Agent for Georgia. Can place for Stuart, Va., Fishpond, Pitch-Till-Win or any Stock Stores. P. C. open.

FOR SALE-30x60 Top, Sidewall and Banner Line 60 ft. long. and Banner Line 60 ft. long. Address all mail Stuart, Va., this week.

# FOR SALE

Eight-Tub Octopus with or without 24-ft. Springfield Semi. Can be seen in operation this week Astoria, Ill.

# WILSON FAMOUS SHOWS

### J. L. (JIMMIE) HENSON **SHOWS WANT**

Ferris Wheel Foreman, A-1, no drunk. Help on other Rides that drive. Place Bingo, Pop-corn, Floss. Any 10-cent Stock Concessions, privilege \$10. Place any clean Grind Show. Jack Prick wants Agents for Ball Game, Stock Stores, Percentage: Itay Smith, wire. Reoly: J. L. HENSON, Greenwood, S. C., now; Buford, Ga., noxt.

# SPONSORED EVENTS Veteran, Lodge and Other Organization Festivities

## Dearborn Rodeo Hard Hit by Weather

DEARBORN, Mich., Sept. 13.-The sixth annual rodeo, sponsored by the Dearborn Junior Chamber of Com-merce, closed its 10-day run Labor Day after being hard hit by weather. Seven of the 13 shows were either flooded or rained out.

Gross for the six shows held was \$8,330, representing a paid attend-ance of 9,396, of which 7,264 were adults and 2,132 children. Total is a little over one-third of the 24,998 paid admissions registered in '46.

### Alexandria Draws 22,000

ALEXANDRIA, La., Sept. 13.--lexandria's Lion-sponsored rodeo ALEXANDRIA, La., Sept. 13.— Alexandria's Lion-sponsored rodeo held recently in the Jimmie Thomp-son Arena played to 22,000 payees. Rodeo was opened by Governor Jimmie Davis, who also led the down-town parade. George Elliot emseed the show. Acts included Charlle Schutz and his bucking Ford; Clark Shutz; Rusty Kitten and Lucile Cowey, trick and fancy riders, and Buck Robinson and Hobart Flowers, clowns. clowns.

# FOLK CELEBRATION SHOWS WANT FOR

QUAY COUNTY FAIR, Sept. 22-26, Tucumcari, New Mexico NEW MEXICO STATE FAIR, Sept. 28 to Oct. 5, Albuquerque, New Mexico SOUTHEASTERN NEW MEXICO STATE FAIR, Oct. 7-11, Roswell, New Mexico

Then Celebrations up to and including big Armistice Day Celebration, November 11. This show will open the 1948 season February 15 at Tucson, Ariz.

Want first class Ten-in-One with or without own outfit; good Girl Revue, must have a show that has flash and can play to entire families; Motordrome, Monkey Circus, Glass House, Hawaiian Show, Hillbilly Show, Miniature City. Can place legitimate Concessions of all kinds. Ride Help-Can use capable Ride Foremen and Second Men; must be sober and reliable. Can place Sensational Free Act. Can place Penny Arcade. Want good, sober Canvas Men

Want for Circus-Animal Acts, Horse Acts, Acrobafic Acts, Elephant Act, Trapeze Performers, Clowns and good uniformed Circus Band.

FOLK CELEBRATION SHOWS Box 1005 Albuquerque, New Mexico

**KELLIE GRADY SHOWS** 

WANT Rides not conflicting. Want Stock Concessions. Can place Pan Game or Rat Game. Want Shows. Rex Barnes wants Man for Front Gate. Can use several Ride Men. We have 7 spots in Cotton Belt of North Alabama. Wire Florence, Ala., this week, or per route.

# WHITE STAR ATTRACTIONS Bruceton, Tenn., this week;

Union City, Tenn., Sept. 22-27

Want Hanky Panks, \$18.00 privilege after first week. Especially want Waffles, Novelties, Bumper, Cane Rack, High Striker, Coke Bottles, Add-'Em-Up Darts, American Palmistry or any others. Faulkner and Bumpus need Agents. Want Ride Help. Bill Reese, wire where we can reach you by phone. All replies to

A. O. COFFMAN, Mgr.

# **Streator Event 3-Day Smash Hit**

STREATOR, Ill., Sept. 13.—Three-day Labor Day observance here, sponsored by Post 120 of the Vet-erans of World War II, drew 40,000 people during its run from August 30 thru September 1. Event was the first this city has had in nearly 25 years.

Features include an open-air music Features include an open-air music festival; two-mile Labor Day parade made up of floats representing local labor, civic, fraternal, industrial and commercial groups; Labor Day ad-dress by John L. Reano, representa-tive of the United Mine Workers of Illinois, and a running program of outdoor acts.

A midway was laid out in the city park, with the Pearl City Rides and the free-act program, arranged by Andy Bakalar, formerly with Ring-ling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Cir-cus, as highlights. Line-up for the program included Dean and Brown, Clarence Meridith and his dogs; Andy, Marcella and Emma; George Winston and His Musical Bells, and the Sky Duo, high act. William Woodward, president of Post 120, was general chairman of the committee; Andy Brix, executive director; Brix and Frank Fielding, directors of the float committee; float designers, James Hill, post adjutant,

designers, James Hill, post adjutant, and Lin Dye, Jack Fairburn, Col. Frank Hall and Roy (Bones) Rath-

Frank Hall and Roy (Bones) Rath-bun. Music was by the Streator Band; Leslie G. Woods Post, American Legion Band, and the Doodledoerfer Comic Band. William J. Lewis, past president, Streator Fourth of July Committee, Inc., served as director of publicity and advertising.



WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Sept. 13. Second annual West Branch Valley Festival of Bands, sponsored by the Williamsport Junior Chamber of Commerce, will be held in the East-ern League ball park here September 29.

Promotion for the event will be

Ideas, Inc., is headed by Harry C. Taylor, unit manager, with Earl Frances, Al Landi and M. L. Bell on the phones, and G. Hodges Bryant, publicity and promotional director. Fireworks will be furnished by the Fireworks will be furnished by the Keystone Fireworks and Specialty Company, Dunbar, Pa.

### South Shore Pageant Set For Quincy, Mass., Oct. 8

QUINCY, Mass., Sept. 13.—South Shore Pageant of Progress will be held in the armory here, October 8-11, under auspices of the Campbell-Fairbanks Expositions, Inc. The show will be a combination sportsmen's show and an exhibition of new de-vices and products.

Events will be under the personal supervision of Sheldon H. Fairbanks, Boston showman and president of the Campbell - Fairbanks Expositions. Ralph Anthony will be in charge of show's sales and act as superinthe tendent.

Newington, Conn., Fair Set

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 13. — Newington, Conn., Country Fair, sponsored by the Newington Grange and Lions Club, will be held Septem-ber 19-20. General chairman is Paul Isham, with Richard Erwin as cochairman.



For long season of Southern Fairs, including Arkansas Live Stock Show at Little Rock.

SHOWS-Monkey, Animal, Iron Lung, Wild Life, Fun House, Mechanical Village and other Grind Shows with own transportation. Address

**OSCAR BLOOM**, Mgr. Trenton, Tenn., this week; Columbus, Miss., next week.

### LAKE CITY **EXPOSITION SHOWS** WANT

Concessions of all kinds. Need Help for office-owned outfits, Skillos, Rolldowns, Hit and Miss, Over and Under. Want Ferris Wheel Foreman and Chairplane Foreman, top salary. All replies:

**BOBBY SICKELS** Byrdstown, Tenn., Sept. 15-20. No phone calls, wire.

### WANTED

Shows, Rides and Concessions of all kinds for the largest veterans' organization in Eastern Indiana celebration week, Oct. 6th, at Muncie, Ind., or large Carnival. All Concessions will work here. Contact

PAT ROACH, Chairman UNITED STATES DISABLED WAR VETER-ANS, NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 215 1/2 S. Walnut St. Phone: 2-5543

RIDE HELP **RIDE HELP Cumberland Valley Show** Need Ride Men on all Rides, soler and reliable that can stand good treatment and prosperity Can place a few more legitimate Concessions Address all mail and wires to

**ELLIS WINTON** Manchester, Tenn., this week; Rockwood, Tenn., next week.



Concessions of all kinds for Street Celebrations, New Holland, Ohio, Sept. 24-27; Junction City, Ohio, Oct. 1-4. Itide Help, First and Second Men for Eli and Octopus. Address:

TIM NOLAN Moxahala Park South Zanesville, Ohio

RODEO AND CIRCUS DATES WANTED No place too small or too large. Have played State Fairs of Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, October, South into Arkansas. What have yout

BAR O RODEO, Inc. Permanent address: Sturgeon Bay, Wis.

WANTED-GOOD CLEAN CARNIVAL play Union City, Tenn., from Oct. 13th thru 18th. Will set up in Union City Ball Park, in t of city. Population 10,000. Carnival will

Sponsored by Milton Talley Post #20 ontact CECIL MOSS, Union City, Tenn.

### WANTED

Connection with good Carnival working south. Have Pea Ball, Beat the Dealer, Diggers, Pans, Penny Pitch, Airplane, Stock Concession, Experienced Legal Adjuster; would consider. Can join first week October. Wire proposition.

HARRY H. ZUGG Blakesburg, Iowa

## AGENTS WANTED

Roll Down, Razzle, Blower and Buckets. Replies to CLARENCE BEARDSLEY c/o MADISON BROS.' SHOW Prescott, Ark.

WANTED **Ride Help and Concessions MOUND CITY SHOWS** M. Wern, Ark.

September 20, 1947



# **Carthage Soars** Ahead of 1946 **Record Counts**

CINCINNATI, Sept. 13.-Despite humid weather, which saw the tem-perature soaring into the high 90's on two of the four days of its run, and rain on the third day, the 93d an-nual Greater Cincinnati Carthage Fair shot ahead of the record attendance and gross marks chalked up here a year ago. Wednesdav (10) opening day, with Myers Y. Cooper, former governor of Ohio and presi-dent of the Hamilton County Agri-cultural Society, formally setting the annual in motion with a tour of the wide exhibit areas, attracted an esti-mated 15,000 patrons, topping by mated 15,000 patrons, topping by 4,000 the opening attendance of 1946 and chalking up an initial-day record for the fair.

Thursday, with a boiling hot sun Thursday, with a boiling hot sun bearing down all afternoon, an esti-mated 20,000 passed thru the turn-stiles, equaling the best single-day's business in 1946, an all-time high, which was set on a Friday last year. Friday, with hundreds of children taking advantage of the free gate, started out a huge winner when a se-pare electrical and winer struck vere electrical and rainstorm struck, sending patrons scurrying to cover and canceling a number of scheduled events. Clear and cool weather at events. Clear and cool weather at night, however, added impetus to an already good gate, with the result that this year's third day was ex-pected to equal the 20,000 count of last year.

A new record for the four-day an-nual was virtually assured when Sat-urday, with near-perfect weather, hyped the turnstiles' merry tunes until the crowd swelled into one of the largest ever to attend a Carthage Fair finale. Fair execs predicted that when the final count is tabulated it will reveal all-time highs in every department.

department. Fair officials announced that they encountered a demand for booth space that exceeded even the record re-quest of last year, and the annual appeared to be overflowing with ex-hibits. Bob Shaw, of the Gus Sun Booking Exchange, Columbus, O., provided the grandstand attractions, which included Dorothy Herbert's 17 head of horses. head of horses.

Providing the midway was the F. E. Gooding Amusement Company, Co-lumbus, O.

# 50,000 Attend E-J Labor Day Outing

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Sept. 13.-An estimated 50,000 persons attended the annual Labor Day outing for Endicott-Johnson workers and their families at En-Joie Health Park here, making it the largest celebration in

making it the largest celebration in the org's history. Harry Tanner, representative of the John C. Jackel Theatrical Agency, New York, thru whom the various professional acts were booked, acted as emsee. Acts included the Three Milos, aerial; Kayletta, acrobat; Cap-tain Powers, ventriloquist; Martell Brothers, bicycle; Three Reed Broth-ers, balance; Bud and Rose Carlell, roping; Tex Morrissey, with his per-forming mule, Hank; Flying Valen-tinos, acrobats, and Emory Twins and Claire, tumbling. Featured clown was Dippy Diers. The day's activities were topped off with fireworks.

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### North Haven Annual Success

NORTH HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 13. Annual North HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 13.— Annual North Haven Fair here proved a substantial success, it was an-nounced here this week. Among acts appearing before the grandstand daily were Hip Raymond, the Korellis, Palemeros' Dogs, the Frabell Corry Trio.

# Shutter for Season

IRVINGTON, N. J., Sept. 13.— Henry Guenther is shuttering his Olympic Park tomorrow n ight. Roller-skating rink will continue to operate on its usual autumn and win-ter schedules. Park extended its sea-son a full week and has been favored by ideal weether which brought out by ideal weather, which brought out good attendance.

good attendance. In addition to its usual free circus, Olympic Park will offer as a special closing day attraction, Zimmerman's Hungarian Gypsy Band. Line-up of acts in closing circus bill is the Jug-gling Jewels, ace fem club slingers; Bill Williston, magician; Betty Gay-nelle, contortionist; Al Libby and Betty, comedy bike act, and Joe Basile's band.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Rock-away's Playland winds up its season tonight with a masquerade party. Special events during the past week included square dancing, barbershop quartet contests and a fireworks dis-play Wednesday. Ideal weather dur-ing week brought out good attend-ance. ance.

### **Melbourne Show Opens Minus Carnival Features**

MELBOURNE, Australia, Sept. 13. —The Melbourne Royal Show opens Thursday (18) with the rather unique distinction of being obliged to operate minus the usual rides and carnival attractions, as the space usually al-lotted to the midway is still occupied by wartime cabins housing homeless families. Only carnival attractions on the grounds will be a large Merry-Go-Round, and candy and ice cream stands.

Record entries have been registered for all horse ring events. Trotting races will be a feature of both matinee and night programs.

### **Association Denied Permit**

quest for a permit to hold a carnival at Seaforth army lot on Burrard Street. They passed an order ban-Street. ning all carnivals both on the Powell day's auto races also drew an excel-Street grounds and Seaforth army lot. lent crowd, filling the 10,000 capacity

# Olympic, Playland Clay Co. Annual Chalks Up 200,000 Gate Count To Score **All-Time Highs Despite Rain**

### Grandstand Crowds Large; Pyrotechnics Return

SPENCER, Ia., Sept. 13.—The Clay County Fair which closed here to-night topped the 200,000 attendance mark in its six-day run for a new all-time gate record. Final figures were unavailable, but the official count was expected to hit slightly over the previous high of 199,000. Thru Evidey (12) attendance was

over the previous high of 199,000. Thru Friday (12), attendance was announced as 165,000, and the final day's turnout was placed at over 35,000. The new attendance mark was established despite rain which slashed Thursday's gate and virtually washed out Friday's big potential.

### Auto Races Save Day

Auto races, staged by National Speedways, Al Sweeney and Gaylord White, were originally scheduled for two days—Tuesday and today—but a third afternoon was added hurriedly Thursday when the harness horse races were canceled as the horsemen contended that the track's slippery condition, caused by the rain, made it impossible for them to race.

impossible for them to race. The decision to stage the substitute auto races Thursday was made only a few hours before the program was staged. Confronted with the loss of the day's big grandstand receipts as-sured by a strong advance sale, fair execs prevailed upon Sweeney to round up enough cars and drivers for the fill-in speed events. At the time, the cars were scattered within a 70-mile area of the fairgrounds at garages, where they were being re-turned following Tuesday's program and in anticipation of today's events. Many of the motors were completely torn down at the stime. Sweeney, nonetheless, managed to round up six good cars and as many top drivers, and the races proved pleasing to the crowd and saved the afternoon's stand receipts for the fair.

### New Single Day Mark

Tuesday's auto races played a big part in enabling the fair to register a gate of 47,594 for the fair's highest single day's attendance in history. To-

grandstand bleacher set-up. Other afternoon attractions included Frank Winkley's Thrill Show in on Monday, opening day. Three afternoons of harness races had been scheduled but Friday's card, as well as Thursday's, was also rained out.

Night grandstand attendance ran about even with the previous peak year. But for Friday's rain, which made it impossible to use the un-covered bleacher seats, the grand-stand for the six nights' patronage would have hit an all-time high. The show Friday night was presented in show Friday night was presented in the rain before a crowd that filled the covered portion of the grandstand.

### **Fireworks Back**

Fireworks Back. The night bill consisted of a revue and acts booked thru Barnes-Carruth-ers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago. The revue offered a 16-gal line and Lester Cole and His Debutantes, sing-ing combination. Acts included the Gretonna Family, high wire; Jim Wong Troupe, contortionists; the Libo-natis, xylophonists; the Lang Troupe, acrobats; Harold Boyd and the Jig Saws, comedy knockabout, and the Flying Zachinis. Phil Fern was in charge for the Barnes-Carruthers of-fice. fice.

fice. Fireworks, absent from the fair's program for many years, made its re-turn on the final night, with the Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Com-pany, represented by Art Briese, Chi-cago, presenting the show. On the midway, the Hennies Bros.' Shows, while feeling the effect of rain Thurs-day and a virtual washout Friday, nevertheless amassed a gross which topped that for the rides and shows here last year when another org, a truck show, held forth on the midway. The shows led the midway business by a big margin. Rides, however, did not come up to expectations. Gate Charge Up

### **Gate Charge Up**

The fair operated with a 75-cent front gate, an increase of 15 cents over 1946. It offered two new build-ings, a 123 by 200-foot structure, built of steel and concrete, with a tile front, and used for the Baby Beef Show, and a 4-H boys' dormitory, built of tile and concrete, which housed 245 boys.

Other plant improvements included Other plant improvements included the remodeling of a poultry building into a communications building, which provided space for KICD, Spencer Ia.; WNEX, Yankton, S. D., and KGLO, Mason City, Ia. Programs on the Tall Corn Network also emanated from this building during the run of the fair.

The annual's livestock entries were so large that many were refused. Space limitations also caused the turnaway of many commercial ex-hibitors. Farm machinery and comhibitors. Farm machinery and com-mercial exhibits on the grounds by far exceeded those of any previous event here.

### **Gorilla Suffers Burns**

PRINCE RUPERT, B. C., Sept. 13.— The eight-year-old gorilla, owned by Alberta Slim Edwards and booked on the Crescent Shows, was badly burned on a train here when an oil lantern, used for heating purposes, was upset. The gorilla is sprayed with healing oils twice daily.

W. V. Nethken, known in outdoor show circles as Buckskin Bill, sharp-shooter and impalement act, has been living in retirement at his home in Nokomis, Fla. Nethken spent 34 years in the business.

# Augmented WM Midway Garners Hefty Roll at Brockton Fair

BROCKTON, Mass., Sept. 13 .--Frank Bergen, owner-manager of the World of Mirth Shows and midway contractor at the Brockton Fair, supcontractor at the Brockton Fair, sup-plemented his 40-car org with the Ross Manning Shows & Rides, Inc., to provide a midway that nearly en-circled the race track. The additions were necessary because of Bergen's prior fair commitments which made it impossible for him to open here until Monday (8), the third day of the fair, and call for his closing here to-night while the annual has one day to go

Might while the annual has one day to go. Midway spending was up slightly over last year, but spread thinner among individual operators because of the added units. All told there are 36 rides and 21 shows, most of them Bergen-owned. Secretary Frank H. Kingman reported midway spending on shows and rides up 9 per cent. The front end was ahead a healthy 15 on shows and rides up 9 per cent. The front end was ahead a healthy 15 per cent with the prospect of a run-away finish since wheels can be put into operation today, supplanting bumpers which had to be improvised for use thru yesterday. Manning rides had the midway play

of 53,000 patrons to themselves the first two days, Saturday and Sunday (6-7). The same situation will pre-(6-7). The same situation will pre-vail tomorrow when these units move onto the main midway. Any play garnered by these outfits had to result from their exclusive occupation of the midway since, when World of Mirth was present, their units were rele-gated to locations behind the quar-ter turn of the track, the least desir-able of the available midway space. Pari-mutuel betting on running horse races, inaugurated here several years ago, has pretty much killed a large part of afternoon midway play.

large part of afternoon midway play. Appeal of the bangtails and the possibility of winning a fast buck has resulted in what appears to be a new type of patron, concerned only with the races, who attends only to bet and leaves the grounds right after the last race last race.

A year hence the planned renova-A year hence the planned renova-tion of the ground may be a reality and the midway will have ample paved space for the first time to properly present its attractions and reap the benefit of its costly eye-appeal features which are largely wasted under the present set-up.

### The Billboard

# Mardi Gras Cele Clicks Brockton's Fast Pace Points As Coney Closes Okay Season

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Coney Island is winding up one of its most successful Mardi Gras end-of-the-season fiestas in many a year. Torrid weather, a natural for luring New York's cave-dwellers to the compara-York's cave-dweiters to the compara-tively cool expanses of Surf Avenue, the Bowery and the Broadwalk, came Sunday (7), with the thermometer Fitting 87 degrees, bringing joy and 600,000 prospective customers to the showmen and concessionaires of Conav Island showmen an Coney Island.

Coney Island. Mardi Gras festivities got under way Monday (8) night with a spic and span parade of the New York Police Department, 'headed by a mounted squad and the big police de-partment band and its drum and bugle corps. Numerous floats manned (?) by really attractive scan-tily clad cuties, plus several bands, drum corps and civic organizations followed the police squads. About 250,000 spectators viewed the parade and most of them remained to jam the amusement areas. the amusement areas.

Tuesday night was Firemen's Night, with New York's fire fighters in line

### New Firm Enters British **Holiday Camp Business**

LONDON, Sept. 13.—A newly or-ganized firm, Pontin Camps, Ltd., has ganized firm, Pontin Camps, Ltd., has recently entered the holiday camp field in England, over which field William Butlin and his group have exercised almost complete monopoly. Holiday camps in recent years have developed into important outdoor amusement spots, using various forms of professional entertainment, as well as operating small amusement parks as adjuncts of the camps.

as adjuncts of the camps. The Pontin firm is capitalized at \$1,040,000 and while it now controls only one camp, the South Devon Holi-day Camp, it has been acquiring the capital of firms controlling three ad-ditional camps and plans taking them over. Butlin's firm, capitalized at \$10,000,000, operates camps and out-door resorts thruout England and has steadily expanded its field of ac-tivity in recent years.

Tex Tanner, formerly with Gypsy Lynn's unit, reporths that he is em-seeing Jack Korie's International Oddities attraction, which Ray Marsh Brydon has contracted to play fairs in Kansas and Texas, following a tour of the Hawaiian Islands.

and 350,000 to cheer them on. On Wednesday the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 1,500 strong, attracted 400,000 kibitzers. Thursday it was the turn of the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic War Veterans, with 2,000 in Catholic War Veterans, with 2,000 in line, to strut, and a turnout of 350,000 lined the curbs of Surf Avenue. Friday (12) night belonged to the American Legion and their 40 and 8. Final parade probably drew close to 400,000, altho Coney's p. a. has not as yet announced the score.

This afternoon Mardi Gras comes This afternoon Mardi Gras comes to a close with Coney Island's annual baby parade. Nothing official skedded for tonight, but confetti throwing will be permitted and everybody will think they are having fun. Officially this is the finale for Coney's season but so long as weather permits, rides, attractions and con-cessions will continue to operate week-ends. The season did not prove as satisfactory as last year's, but in week-ends. The season did not prove as satisfactory as last year's, but in general everybody came out on the right side of the ledger.

# State Negotiates for Manhattan Beach

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- Park Commissioner Robert Moses hopes to obmissioner Robert Moses hopes to ob-tain 15 to 20 acres of beachland at Manhattan Beach to relieve the crowded conditions at the city's ad-joining beaches, Brighton Beach, with 18 acres, and Coney Island, with 55 acres of beach front. Manhattan Beach, formerly a privately operated beach, was taken over by the navy during the war but the State of New York claims ownership of 88 acres of York claims ownership of 88 acres of the short front and is negotiating for its return. Moses expects the State to cede the beach area to the city for park and beach purposes.

for park and beach purposes. Demand for heach-front property along Long Island's South Shore has been unusually active this summer. Auction sales of shore property re-cently netted \$97,850 at two sales. On August 23 150 business and residential plots were sold at Lido Beach, adjoin-ing Long Beach, for a total of \$70,500. Highest price of the sale was a bid of \$725 for two business lots. Auction sale at Nassau Shores pear

Auction sale at Nassau Shores, near Amityville, L. I., August 23 brought \$27,350 for 73 waterfront and resi-ulation of Long Island is creating a tremendous demand for additional shore resorts and recreational areas.

# To Records in Many Divisions

ings

BROCKTON, Mass., Sept. 13 .- Op- | erating on a nine-day schedule for the first time in its '72-year history, the Brockton Fair, according to reports available thru yesterday's showing, was ahead of last year's record takes in most departments. Continuing ideal weather today and thru tomor-row, the final day, will undoubtedly result in a host of new marks because of the two additioned down of the two additional days.

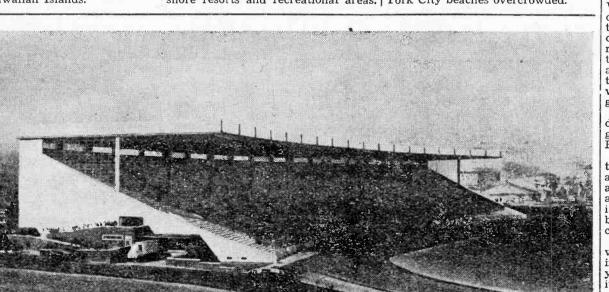
Attendance for the first six days Attendance for the first six days was 142,921, as against the 1946 five-day total of 135,680. Only department reported off is the pari-mutuel bet-ting on running horse races. Even so, the slump is only 8 per cent as com-pared to an average falling off of 20 per cent in betting at tracks operating in these parts. The four-day betting handle was \$293,096 as compared to \$315,197 a year ago.

### Per Capita Spending Up

Most surprising aspect of the an-nual was a reported increase in per capita spending. Some concession-aires might find this hard to believe, the reason being that patrons this year have more ways and places in which to spend money. Secretary Frank H. Kingman was agreeably surprised but at a loss to explain the increase in individual spending.

Increase in individual spending. The midway gross of shows and rides was up 9 per cent, while con-cession row was tabbing a notable 15 per cent more money. Today's hoped-for attendance will be in the neigh-borhood of 40,000 and appreciably boost grosses, since the handle on the final Saturday always has accounted for a large share of the total. Officials aren't optimistic about tomorrow's aren't optimistic about tomorrow's business, since earning power will be considerably lessened, especially by the departure of the World of Mirth Shows which entrains tonight for Al-lentown (Pa.) Fair.

Increasing costs have resulted in the maintaining of a 75-cent gate. President George A. Buckley esti-mated the cost of producing this year's fair as \$309,000, a formidable nut to be faced with when gambling with the weather. Association, how-ever, is in a healthy financial state,



HERE IS HOW THE NEW GRANDSTAND at the Canadian National Exhibition, Toronto, will look when it is com pleted, probably in the summer of 1948. Stand will seat about 20,000. Underneath there will be two restaurants, each with a capacity of 1,000 and exhibition space of 14,500 feet. Seats will be of the individual type, with no arm rests. Roof will have no beams or supporting steelwork. Temporary seating facilities were used at the 1947 CNE.

# ings. Al Martin, Boston booker, produced the well-received night grandstand chow featuring Eddie Peabody and his banjo. Senator Claghorn (Kenny Delmar) appeared Saturday and Sun-day (6-7). Acts included Ben Dova, pantomime: Will Hill's elephants and popules: Biletti Trouve high wire:

being free of debt and in possession of enough funds to have in an advanced

planning stage a new grandstand, re-

location of the track and new build-

Aerial Ortons, and Willie West and McGinty. Chet Nelson and ork McGinty. Chet Nelson and ork played the show. Jimmy Lynch and His Thrill Show played the opening two days and will wind up festivities in front of the grandstand tomorrow.

# Nothing Is Sure About Midway Biz

(Continued from page 84) commit suicide right at your feet. The commit suicide right at your feet. The high wind blowing up there, 100 feet in mid-air, will carry his light body far beyond the tank. Then we will pick up his mangled remains and ship them to his wife and babies back home. You who believe that it would be a braver deed for him to climb back down the ladder and return to his loved ones at home will express that desire by yelling, whistling and ap-plauding. You who wish to help pick up his mangled remains clap your up his mangled remains clap your hands loudly." Then looking up at the Punk while holding a telegram the Punk while holding a telegram in his hand, the announcer would continue, "Captain, you just received a telegram that reads 'Father, are you still alive?' It is signed, Mother and the Babies." After that the crowds would elect the Punk to stay on the grounds and everybody was happy.

### The Big Decision

Every night while the just were overwhelming the unjust at the foot of the high-dive ladder, Arkansas Whitey meditated: "Shall I go home Whitey meditated: "Shall I go home to mother and her hot biscuits or shall I stick it out? I still have my get-away-dough." Finally came the day. The show was in a hamlet on a lot across from the depot. It had sleeted on the midway all afternoon and the temperature was down to 25. After a conference with himself, Whitey decided to blow that night on the 10 o'clock local. As he left the lot at 9 p.m. he saw the high diver being carried out of a bar-room. Like in most tank-town depots, the ticket agent wasn't due to arrive

room. Like in most tank-town depots, the ticket agent wasn't due to arrive at his post until 15 minutes before train time. Five or six nesters, who were going to the county seat, gathered in the depot. Suddenly one yelled, "Look at that dern fool climb up that ladder. He's going to dive into a tank of water. He won't live long doing that." "You mean to say," started Whitey, trying his best to act and talk like a rustic, "that he'll jump plumb off and into that little tank?" "Yup!" answered the native, "I see'd him do it Monday." "Impossible." yelled back our hero. "I see'd him do it," came back the native. Here was a sure-shot bet that

Here was a sure-shot bet that would double his dough before blow-ing, so turning to the native, Whitey yelled, "Twenty bucks he doesn't do it.'

While the announcer on the lot was busy stalling the tip to let the just and unjust decide the dive, the natives covered Whitey's double sawbuck—and the unexpected happened —the unjust had out-voted the just —the Punk jumped. Broke and hum-ble Whitey returned to his booth. There is nothing sure in the midway business.

# **30** Dromedaries, 21 Antelope in **NY From Africa**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. — Thirty dromedaries and 21 antelope, con-signed to Meems Bros. & Ward, ani-mal dealers, Oceanside, L. I., were unloaded at Bush Terminal, Brook-lyn, Monday (8). Animals, which will be sold to circuses and zoos thru-will be county, were shipped from out the country, were shipped from Trevidore, Port Sudan, Northeast Africa.

It took four hours to unload the one-humped beasts and antelopes. Shipment was the largest of its kind since before the war. The entire lot was taken to the Animal Quarantine Station, Clifton, N. J., where they will be tested over a 30-day period for various diseases.

The same vessel also carried 300 monkeys which were unloaded in Boston a day earlier. Simians were shipped from Calcutta and consigned to the Trefflich Bird and Animal Company here.

### Financing Arrangements Made for Victoria Rink

CALGARY, Alta., Sept. 13.-Ar-rangements for the financing of the rangements for the financing of the \$750,000 rink and auditorium at Vic-toria Park, Calgary, have been com-pleted, according to A. H. McGuire, president of the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede, Ltd. Sum of \$500,000 will be obtained by bank loan and \$250,000 will be provided by the exhibition company.

### CALIF. BIG FOR CRAFTS

(Continued from page 71) business at Kiddieland was brisk on a consistent basis.

### **Use Three Arches**

Crafts Shows used three 96-foot entrance arches, Crafts 20 Big Shows, Crafts Exposition Shows, and Crafts Combined Shows. Also flashing up the spot were six searchlights with 60-inch lenses, 28 light towers of 30 feet and 20 smaller ones. Shows were in a hippodrome formation with the rides in the center and the shows and games on the sides.

Combined shows featured 60 con-cessions, 12 shows and 20 rides. In-cluded among the rides were two Ferris Wheels, two Merry-Go-Rounds, two Caterpillars, two Merry-Go-Rounds, two Caterpillars, two Skoot-ers, Octopus, two Rolloplanes, Loop-o-Plane, two Tilt-a-Whirls, and a Fly-o-Plane.

Fly-o-Plane. The California State date, set by Lee Brandon, general agent, marked the second time this year the shows had been combined. They joined to play the National Orange Show in San Bernardino. Following this date 20 Big moved to San Mateo for the San Mateo County Fair, and Exposi-tion Shows moved to North Fresno for a date under the auspices of the for a date under the auspices of the American Legion. The No. 2, or Ex-position Shows, will play the Italian Festival in South Fresno, too. It is also set for the Arizona State Fair, November 7-16.

### Kerr Names Officials for **Knoxville's Horse Show**

KNOXVILLE, Sept. 13. — Pat F. Kerr, secretary of the Tennessee Valley A. & I. Fair, announced that Edwin C. Eggert, of Brentwood, Tenn., has been signed to manage the horse show. Prize money has been upped over last year and now totals es noo \$6,000.

Gilbert Orr, of Columbia, Tenn will serve as announcer and Earl (Cap) Paine, of Sevierville, will be ringmaster. Judges include Frank Bradshaw, French Brantley and Dr. R. E. Branch.

# WON, HORSE & UPP COMBINED CIRCUS An Equine and Canine Paradox—The Show With a Leaf of Gold By Starr De Belle\_\_\_\_\_

Seldom Scoff, Tenn., Sept. 13, 1947.

Dear Pat: This show has had a good season to date. It isn't what you gross that counts, it's how much you spend and pay actors. Some circus managers try to give their patrons too much for their admission ticlotes by offering big their admission tickets by offering big acts. The bosses claim an actor can get as much applause thru pity as he can thru talent. "Keep a hound thin and he'll run rabbits," is this show's motto. When our under-fed and gaunt performers hit the ring or rig-gings they have the appearance of being ready to draw their last breath. You may holicye me when I say that You may believe me when I say that when an actor flounders around thru weakness during his or her act it is well applauded. On our route the customers figure anything an undernourished man or woman does is more difficult to do than if it was done by a well-fed performer.

Around 90 per cent of our back-Around 90 per cent of our back-woods audiences never enjoyed any of life's luxuries and are with the underdog heart and soul. Thus the tremendous applause when actors ap-pear barefooted, in torn tights and suffering from malnutrition. Further-more, our audiences are all family loving people. Twenty-five years ago, when our swinging ladder gals were young and unmarried, they ward-robed themselves in the latest circus fashion. Now that they are happily wed and are soon to become mothers, wed and are soon to become mothers, their swinging and swaying, after being lifted to their ladders with a block-and-fall, bring down all houses with roars.

Some weeks ago our single-trapeze performer was wowing them in the seats, because thru his hunger and weakness he missed making 16 straight ankle-drops that sent him crashing to the ground each time. Thru pity, our rustic audience gave him the biggest ovation ever ex-tended an ankle-dropper. They foltended an ankle-dropper. They fol-lowed the show to its next stand to see him miss again. There he missed his drop 23 times, to terrific applause, and both audiences followed the show to its next stand to again enjoy the act. That proved that a miss is bet-ter than a successful catch on our route even if an actor does fall 23 teet leet.

Daily for two weeks the ankle-dropper increased his misses nightly and kept audiences following the show. With him we could play to only turnaway houses. He became show. With him we could play to only turnaway houses. He became so powerful as a drawing card that the bosses ordered special paper for the act with cutlines that read, "World's Champion Ankle-drop

### A. E. Gates Named Prexy Of Laredo, Tex., Event

Of Laredo, Tex., Event LAREDO, Tex., Sept. 13.–A. E. (Jonnie) Gates, ranchman, recently was named president of the Pan-American Fair and Livestock Asso-ciation. He succeeds Joe B. Finley, who declined re-election. Other officers are Hogue Pool, first vice-president; W. N. Hall, second vice-president; Roberto Benavides, hird vice-president, and W. J. Stiles, scretary-treasurer. Six new members of the board of directors are J. W. Nixon, Hogue Pool, Raymond Bell, W. N. Hall, J. J. O'Hern and Norman Clark. Hold-over directors are Payne Bruscoe, Kyle Drake, George Leathers, Ed S. Russell, Joe B. Finley, Albert Martin, Servando Benavides, H. D. Storey, A. E. Gates, L. J. Christian, Ray V. Martin and Herman O'Keefe. The 1947 event was canceled be-cause of the hoof and mouth disease in Mexico, but plans are under way for the '48 annual February 18-21.

Misser." That killed the act, because Misser." That killed the act, because the actor asked for a \$4 per week raise and started eating in restau-rants. He soon regained his strength and made successful drops, which killed his drawing power. Realizing he was washed up as a circus star, the dropper asked the office to put him on his former salary and on our cookhouse diet. There is a kinker that is smart enough not to let food interfere with his art. interfere with his art.

Keep plenty of iron in a trouper's system and he won't suffer. We do it thru feeding off tinplates and out of tincans. Our side show features a Human Ostrich, who eats razorblades, safety pins and watch chains. He gets enough iron in his system thru his act and is kept on a strict non-metallic diet of chicken gravel. Sud-denly the iron-monger started to look sleek and trim and lost his pitiful look. Rushing him to the show's doctor it was discovered he had been sneaking non-iron lunches and was suffering with an over-indulgence of bacon rinds stolen from the cook-house. Yes, on this show 40 can live as chean as one as cheap as one.

### Charlottetown, P.E.I., Good; Points to Week Run in 1948

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Sept. 13.—Recent four-day Prince Edward Island Fair here proved extremely successful and, as a result, the event probably will be extended next year to a full week. Introduction of a modern ferry steamer between the island and the mainland is expected to hypo the gate next year.

to hypo the gate next year. Recent event offered horse racing and vaudeville acts in the afternoon. Acts were the Waldorfs, aerialists; Oldfield and Ware, knockabout com-edy; Four Macks, roller skating, and Act and Hor Fale dor act. A revue Ada and Her Pals, dog act. A revue, along with the acts, was offered nightly. Georgian Deiter, vocalist, emseed.

The Lynch Greater Shows were on the midway. Sol Solomon, high diver, was the free act.

### Custer, S. D., Gold Pageant **Draws From Many States**

CUSTER, S. D., Sept. 13.—Custer's Gold Discovery Days Pageant was presented this year before the largest crowd of any of its 21 performances with the exception of 1927 when the late President Coolidge was in the audience. Gate receipts exceeded \$3,800. A check of cars showed visi-tors from 41 states, Cuba and Can-ada.

ada. Distinguished guests included Gov and Mrs. George T. Mickelson, of South Dakota, and Gov. and Mrs. Val Peterson, of Nebraska. Temperatures ranged in the 90's.

Racing for Southern territory before cotton money in August wasn't so popular with shows during the years when there was a scarcity of circuses.

# la. Campaign Vs. Gambling Hits at Fair

**Blow Falls at County Annual** 

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 13 .--Towa is following in the footsteps of Minne-sota as far as gambling is concerned. Crack-down on games is hurting not only the operators but the State is losing revenue.

losing revenue. First, bingo was ruled out and classified as gambling in a test case brought by Riverview Amusement Park here. This shut down all bingo games in Des Moines and when the State fair came the fair board was forced to follow and ban bingo, which cost the State between \$4,000 and \$5,000 in revenue. All fast games were kept down at the fair and even the mouse games brought some re-percussions. percussions.

Then, Iowa's attorney general, Robert Larson, sent a letter to all county attorneys, pointing out that slot machines were illegal despite-a new amusement tax on them and acking local officers to keen their asking local officers to keep their communities "clean."

That brought further action, with the Guthrie County Fair the next to feel the blow when the county at-torney led a raid which resulted in the closing of several concessions. The county attorney said he was following instructions of the Iowa at-

following instructions of the lowa at-torney general that the gambling laws must be enforced. The new amusement tax which became effective July 1 placed all games not previously under the 2 per cent sales tax taxable for 2 per cent of their gross receipts. En-forcement action has resulted in a shutdown on virtually all games and little revenue will be brought in un-der the new amusement tax. der the new amusement tax.

### Portable Plexiglass Pool Set for Swim Follies

Set for Swim Follies HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 13.—A port-able plexiglass pool is included in the revamping plans of the *Crosby* Hollywood Swim Follies, it was an-nounced by Larry Crosby, head of Crosby Productions, and brother of the crooner. Plans call for touring the show under canvas with local ap-

the show under canvas with local ap-pearances under sponsorship. Program will feature swimming, diving, water ballets and specialties. Henry Von Morpurgo & Company, of Los Angeles and San Francisco, is making Pacific Coast bookings. Admission will be at popular prices.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 13.—Feature of Defenders' Day Celebration at Fort McHenry last night was the fireworks McHenry last night was the fireworks display in the re-enactment of the attack on the fort by British war-ships in 1814 which inspired Francis Scott Key to pen The Star-Spangled Banner Banner.

Display was under the supervision of Fred Murray, of the International Fireworks Company, of Jersey City.

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In Tri-State Reading Meet READING 1,200 spectators jammed Carsonia Park Rollerdrome here August 30 to see the Reading Roller Skating Club grab most of the honors in a sevenevent open speed program sanctioned by the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association, reported George (Doc) Yoder Jr., manager of the Reading club.

In reporting the meet highly suc-cessful, Yoder gave much credit to the co-operation of two local news-papers and two radio stations, along with USARSA President George Ap-dale and associates and local officials of the Amateur Athletic Union, head-ed by Ron Regar, Berks County com-missioner of the AAU.

The newspapers carried stories in advance of the contests and articles giving results of the meet. The radio stations also plugged the events in advance and devoted parts of Mon-day's (1) sportscasts to the contest results.

Eight clubs from New York, New Eight clubs from New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania were repre-sented in the program, with Reading winning four first places and its fe-male representatives making a sweep in the 880-yard and one-mile open

### Summary

Men's Class A one-mile open—J. Auriemma, Florham Park, N. J. (2:49.9); Herb Plump, Hackensack, N. J., and Van Panzitta, Florham

Men's Class B one-mile open—Gene Line, Reading (2:51); Leonard Murro, Florham Park, and Roddy Albright, Reading.

Women's 889-Stella Russo, Read-

Women's 889—Stella Russo, Read-ing (1:28.9): Janet Smith, Reading, and Betty Fisher, Reading. Women's one-mile open — Stella Russo, Reading (2:51); Janet Smith, Reading, and Betty Fisher, Reading. Consolation one-mile—Leroy Mat-thias, Reading (2:57.4): Charles Schuchart Reading and Paul Paulillo Schuchart, Reading, and Paul Perillo, Florham Park. Men's five-mile open (preceded by

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Pa., Sept. 13.—About qualifying heats)—Herb Plump, tors jammed Carsonia Hackensack (15:05); GeneLine, rome here August 30 to Reading, and J. Auriemma, Florham Park

Park. Officials included George Apdale, referee; Frank Klopp Jr., starter; Ed Cammarota, announcer; Ozzie Nelson, William Brewer Jr., and Martin Ru-dolph, judges; Ron Regar timekeeper; Jack Edwards, Charles Lanzotti, Al-bert Mann, Burriss Latshaw and Allen Neff, track.

# **AOW Sees Races** As Answer to B.-O. Problem

ELIZABETH, N. J., Sept. 13.—Wil-liam Schmitz's America-on-Wheels chain of rinks is preparing to launch its second season of speed skating, which last year helped AOW record box-office gains of 25 to 75 per cent over the preceding year, reports Jack Edwards, AOW director of speed. With eight national champions of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association on the roster and over 90 per cent of last year's contest-ants already signed, Edwards believes

ants already signed, Edwards believes ants already signed, Edwards believes that organized racing, "the liveliest phase of roller skating," will prove an even bigger winner than it did in 1946. Perth Amboy (N. J.) Arena is entering a 12-member team this year 1946. Perth Amboy (N. J.) Arena is entering a 12-member team this year and interrink racing will move into new AOW rinks now under construc-tion as they open. National Arena, Washington, is expected to have an entry shortly after it opens in Novem-her or December. ber or December.

To Mount Vernon (N. Y.) Arena, winner of the 1946 AOW challenge trophy, goes the honor of teeing off the program September 27. Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York has been invited to attend the inaugural contexts. contests.

General Manager Schmitz h a s allowed Edwards an increased budget allowed Edwards an increased budget this year for speed promotion. This is already partially being used for erection of large signs in each AOW unit to announce the race program. An added promotional feature is a new program carrying a lucky num-ber for a nightly drawing. The win-ner will receive two tickets good for any time at any AOW rink. A skate company has donated 2,000 blue and gold programs for the contests. New competitors and those who did not receive at least 13 points in last

New competitors and those who did not receive at least 13 points in last year's contests will be required to race in the novice division this year until they win once, said Edwards. The eight national champs will wear Amateur Athletic Union jerseys this year of red, white and blue with 13 stars

13 stars.

Edwards kept his racers in trim during the past summer by having them compete in four competitions held in Reading, Pa.

### **Plastic Floor at Bal-A-Roue**

MEDFORD, Mass., Sept. 13. MEDFORD, Mass., Sept. 13. — Sporting a new plastic floor, Fred H. Freeman's Bal-A-Roue Rollerway here reopened September 8 with a schedule calling for operation seven nights weekly and Sunday afternoons until September 20 when Saturday matinees will be added. Afternoon practice sessions begin September 15 and classes get under way the first week of October. Bal-A-Roue pros began giving private lessons Septembegan giving private lessons Septem-

Recent visitors at Eddie's Roller Palace, Rochester, N. Y., were Jack and Betty Earl (Flying Earls), who opened a week's engagement at Sea Breeze Park there, reports Rex Bayne, Roller Palace organist.



MEADVILLE, Pa., Sept. 13.—In-stallation of a plastic floor at Winter Garden Roller Rink here by Edward M. Kolson and Sephen F. Tury, new operators of the spot, has been prov-

operators of the spot, has been prov-ing a drawing card they had not an-ticipated when they decided to remain open during the hot-weather months "Taking over at the beginning o summer, we elected to stay open and were not sorry, for business, tho very slow, was still better than we had anticipated," writes Kolson. Principal reason for the better-than-expected box-office results is attributed by reason for the better-than-expected box-office results is attributed by Kolson to the new skating surface. He reported that two out of three patrons coming to the rink stated that they had come specifically to try the new surface. surface.

Kolson and Tury also gave the remainder of the rink a refinishing, in-stalling fluorescent overhead lights as well as fluorescent "moonlight" lights. Walls have been painted pastel blues and cream color.

The management plans to operate on a club plan to promote better skat-ing and a better class of trade.



# Visiting Ops Take In Skating Revue At Pennsy Rollery

POTTSTOWN, Pa., Sept. 13.—Ring-ing Rocks Park Rink here played host recently to a number of prominent rink people who witnessed a skating show in which State and regional titleholders of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of the United States took part.

Operators' Association of the United States took part. Among visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Victor J. Brown, New Dreamland Arena, Newark, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Max Hyde, Hyde Athletic Shoe Com-pany; Mr. and Mrs. William Erickson, Rainbow Rink, Mechanicsburg, Pa.; Mrs. Sherry Williams, pro at Playland Rink, York, Pa.; Arthur Eggleton, pro at Playmor Rink, Phila-delphia, and Ringing Rocks; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Weakland, Coliseum Rink, Greensburg, Pa., and Edna Davis, pro at Lexington Rink, Pittsburgh. Show cast included Mr. and Mrs. Donald Halteman, Pottstown, State and regional dance team winners; Bea Shirey, State free style winner; Doris

and regional dance team winners; Bea Shirey, State free style winner; Doris Comptose, ballet skating; Gwen Tezz-nar, free style number; Lightcap, Bartholemew and Lightcap, novelty number; Leonard Pickar, State free style winner; Misses Weiser and Bechtel, free style; Mrs. Gene Smith, Playland, York, Pa.; Sherry Danner, Newark, second-place juvenile win-ner at the nationals in Oakland, Calif.; Eck, Shaffer, Slavic and Bechtel; Mary Ann Mann and James Kepler, York, third-place juvenile dance win-ners at the Oakland nationals, and a drill team of 12 local girls. drill team of 12 local girls.





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# **Detroit** Areadia **Starts Training School for Pros**

DETROIT, Sept. 13.—An innovation in roller skating, the Detroit School of Roller Skating Teachers, has been started\_at Orville Godfrey's Arcadia Roller Rink here.

Vivian Heard, head instructor and member of the Society of Roller Skating Teachers of America, affili-ated with the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of the United States, says: "At no time in the his-tory of roller skating has the need for trained instructors been greater. "The instructor needs mean then

"The instructor needs more than just a knowledge of skating. He needs a cultural training with a thoroly practical business preparation. The purpose of the school is:

"1. To develop independence, ini-tiative and ability in its students. "2. To provide specialized training for those preparing for a particular work.

"3. To prepare skating instructors with a sound foundation in the stand-ards of skating and to make them more efficient in business, professional

more efficient in business, professional and social relationships. "This is something new in roller skating and should interest the oper-ator who wants to know his instruc-tors are thoroly trained." The instruction has been scheduled for four eight-week terms. Individ-ualized programs may be prepared upon consultation with the school board. The curriculum of the school includes: Body control, figure skat-ing and free style, skate dancing, judging, music, business administra-tion, rink management and show pro-duction.

duction. Miss Heard intends to have outstanding personalities in the skating world give lectures on subjects they specialize in. The personnel holds de-grees from various colleges. The school is licensed by the State of Michigan.

### Hartford Skatery Sold

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 13.—Real estate on Park and John streets, in-cluding an indoor skating rink of 10,-000 square feet, has been purchased by Louis Morgenstern, president of Capitol Motors, Inc., Hartford, from the Park-Main Company, headed by Frank Wehle. Properties are 22-34 Park Street and 20-22 John Street. Park Street property consists of four stores in addition to the skating rink. Purchase price was reported as be-tween \$80,000 and \$90,000.

### Philly Crystal Palace Bows

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 13.—Having undergone a complete renovation job, Crystal Palace Rink here successfully opened its 1947-'48 season Wednesday night (3). A new color scheme is be-ing used thruout, new lighting fix-tures have been installed and the floor has been resurfaced, operators said. said.

### Arcadia Gets Renovation

DETROIT, Sept. 13. — Arcadia Roller Rink here was closed by Man-ager Orville Godfrey for a week re-cently in order to prepare for a grand opening Friday (5). Rink was entire-ly renovated in this time by a crew working on 24-hour shifts.



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# Choate's Comedians **May Tour Next Year** After 5-Year Lapse HAVEL'S School Assembly Show

WAYNE CITY, Ill., Sept. 13, ---Choate's Comedians, inactive the past five years, may return to the road in 1948 to play Illinois, Tennessee and Arkansas territory, reports Mrs. Arlie Choate.

Meanwhile, the Choates continue to operate their theater here to good business. The new house, opened in December, 1946, is managed by their son, Welby, land, Ore., with a four-people cast playing under auspices. . . Henley's Family Show, consisting of three peo-ple with 16mm. films and short-cast bills, has given up the tent and gone into halls around Trinidad, Colo. . .

son, weby. Mrs. Choate reports the birth of a son, Welby Charles, to Mr. and Mrs. Billy Charles Choate August 19 in Good Samaritan Hospital, Mount Ver-non, Ill. Mrs. Choate was the former Vera Wanda Thomanson. The father is leading man with Bisbee's Comedi-ans ans.

W. C. (Pop) Choate, founder of Choate's Comedians, who observed his 84th birthday July 26, was married in April to Mrs. Maud Cragg of Creal Springs, Ill.

artist, in his second season as a fea-ture attraction with Brownie's Dixana Tent Show, reports from Sugar Grove, W. Va., that the natives are going for his magic routine and mail bag escape and that the show is put-ting out the s.r.o. sign frequently on week stands. . . Mr. and Mrs. Lane Shanklin are in Springfield, Ill. . . Larry and Maurine Barnes are resid-ing in Manhattan, Kan., where the former is studying to be a minister. . . Chic and Stella Pellette are cur-rently touring with a carnival in Georgia. . . Mr. and Mrs. Billy Bracken are operating the Hurst (Ill.) Theater. . . Van and Della Brown are operating a radio barn dance in Frederick, Md. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Zarlington, of Zarlington's Comedians, visited the Choates recently while their show was playing Dahlgren, Ill.

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the vicinity of Elkhart, Ind. He will

play halls while moving toward Iowa.

. . Wallen Bros. will show religious

pix around Wheeling, W. Va., this

winter. . . . Joyce Marble Players will be active again in and around Port-

Harry DeCleo, magician and escape artist, in his second season as a fea-

Tex.

Chick Dale was discharged from the hospital in Lubbock, Tex., September

5 and Joe McKennon drove him back

Mrs. Charles Lawrence, A. P. Brashear, George Simpson and Bud Narin Jr., ex-troupers, were recent

Vance Johnson, Washington corre-

Vance Johnson, Washington corre-spondent for The San Francisco Chronicle and political writer, was a guest of Harley and Billie Sadler here. Johnson is gathering material for a non-fiction book on dramatic tent shows. He intends to visit sev-eral rep outfits and talk to old-timers for authentic stories of early tent rep days before completing the book. His latest, Heaven's Tableland, is a best seller.

Recent birthdays on the show were observed by Diane Forest, Rai Baillie,

Show is slated to stay out on the road until December, playing three-day and week stands. — TRIXIE MASKEW.

Semi-Pro

By E. F. Hannan

ONE THING about rep bills, they are

clean. These plays stem from the preceding 10-20-30 bills which were

sugary but slow in movement. Today's customers are keyed to the tune of fast-moving Class B movies and rate

a quickened pace to please them. Semi-pro groups have taken out the

gin guzzling and hectic love clinches of Big Stem flesh bills and are offer-ing a style like Keith-Proctor vaude sketches, stretched to the customary

This sort of bill meets all require-

ments of sponsor folks, with no kicks

on the play being unsuited for this or that moral reason. These semi-pro groups are what might be termed ad-

vanced amateurs, but they turn in a better job in many ways than do the full-fledgers who so often lack en-thusiasm. Semi-pro is on the increase and will be heard from.

Harley Sadler and Morris Rose.

Sept. 13.

Sadler News

visitors.

seller.

three acts.

LEVELLAND,

to the show to recuperate.

### **Bornstein** Gives **Promotion Tips** will get going in the Parsons, For Mini Train Kan., area after mid-September and then move into its established terri-

(Continued from page 63)

clared. "That is your main selling point on a permanent installation such as a municipal park or an amusement park."

### Genuine Equipment

In Kansas City, thru his tie-up with the Missouri Pacific, he has been able to use genuine railroad equipment, simply scaled down. Hoppe, who is "chief booster" (pub-lic relations man) for the road, arranged for all sorts of technicians to come out and install equipment. Water tower is an exact replica of a Mo Pac tower. The signal system, which uses a full-size railroad warn-ing bell, was installed by railway sig-almen and the new bridge surphysic nalmen and the new bridge was built by a Mo Pac bridge crew. Plan is for the railroad to build a small replica of one of its stations for a ticket office this winter while the train is closed down. An actual semaphore also is to be installed, Rabinowitz said.

To add a further note of realism, Bornstein is installing a speaker system on which to play a set of records reproducing various train noises. The records, which he bought recently from Senco Sound, Inc., Pittsburgh, reproduce everything from the locomotive's chugg to the train caller crying "all aboard."

The two streamliners, which were built by P. A. Sturtevant's Miniature Train & Railroad Company of Elm-hurst, Ill., especially for Bornstein, are scaled down models of the new General Electric streamliners. Born-stein says they were built directly from the blueprints for the GE train. Sturtevant. incidentally, operates a Sturtevant, incidentally, operates a string of 40 smaller trains in depart-ment stores thruout the country at Christmas and Easter each year

### 10 Cents for Kids

Fares on the trains are 10 cents for children at Kansas City, Cleveland and Toledo, and nine cents (because of the sales tax) in L. A. and 14 cents for adults on all of them. Born-stein pays the parks 25 per cent for the concessions.

The Kansas City train has The Kansas City train has the shortest run (1,870 feet) and the big-gest passenger capacity (120). In L. A. the track runs 3,680 feet and at Cleveland and Toledo, 2,100 feet. The streamliners each haul about 80. Chief mechanical advantage of the streamliner trains is that they can be started immediately, while it takes a counte of hours to fire up a start the a couple of hours to fire up a steam train to the 160-pound pressure necessary to operate the engine. On a day that starts off rainy then clears up, you can lose a lot of revenue while firing up. On the other hand, when the more complex engine of a streamliner breaks down, it takes longer to fix it.

But Bornstein is convinced that it is profitable to make the trains au-thentic, even at considerable expense. "With a train that looks and sounds like a real train, you get a lot of rev-enue you'd miss otherwise. We dis-covered here at Swope, that with a little glamor you get a lot of teen-age kids riding and just about as many adults. This idea has been thereby

Rids riding and just about as many adults. This idea has been thoroly proven on the Los Angeles train." Bornstein, whose company also op-erates all food concessions in Swope Park here, got into the concession business 30 years ago while an under-graduate at the University of Michi-gran where he was studying to go op gan, where he was studying to go on the stage. Home on vacation, he had been working around the park and bid on the concession rights just to be doing something, he says. He was more surprised than anyone when he landed the contract after the firm which had the concession then failed to get its bid in on time.

September 20, 1947

Waite Sets N. Y. Film Loop AMSTERDAM, N. Y., Sept. 13.— Ronald Waite has set up a circuit of small towns in this area for the presentation of 16mm. films, according to E. F. Hannan. Waite, who expects to begin operations soon, is expecting to encounter some difficulty in obtaining a steady supply of clear-vision film, a problem that confronts some exhib-itors in the East and Middle West where circuit bills are presented one night a week.

### MILLS BROS.

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(Continued from page 60) fles and plumes? How many "guests" did Tommy Whiteside have in his trailer Sunday. Who put the overalls in Frenchie's chowder? Will the show close in Arkansas, Texas or California? ... Vern and Teen and Vernell and Dorothy Coriell joined at Kansas City, Mo. Sammy Saltrelli advises the proper way to spell cat, after working cross word puzzles, assisted by Simpson and Jimmy Pulchinelli, is "pussitzxe." Visitors have included Mr. and Mrs.

Visitors have included Mr. and Mrs. Visitors have included Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mueller, CFA, California, Mo.; Wilbur Hall, Cal Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Holloman, Mrs. Mable Coffelt, Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Holloman, Venice Holloman, Mr. and Mrs. John West and son and daughter-in-law, and Sonny Moore and his brother, Jack Morell.—BONNIE BAKER.

### POLACK WESTERN

(Continued from page 60) a party for some of the folks. Don Paul, Ross' brother, left the show to resume his medical studies. Gene Moore's mother left for her home in California and was accompanied by

Lobby. There seems no limit to Joe Siegrist's talents. When Bee Carsey, our band leader, needs him, Siegrist sits in with the band and plays sec-ond trumpet.

Visitors in Seattle were Alfredo and Edna Otaris' brother, Frank, and his wife, Edna, who formerly were with Sparks, and Dorothy Durbin's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Chester II. Hull.—IRENE LAFFERTY.

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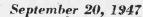


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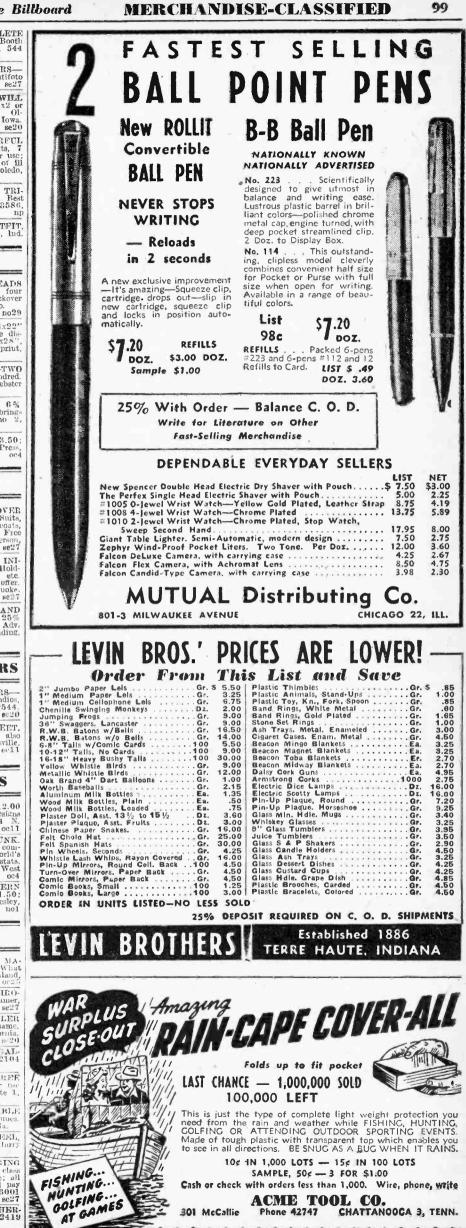


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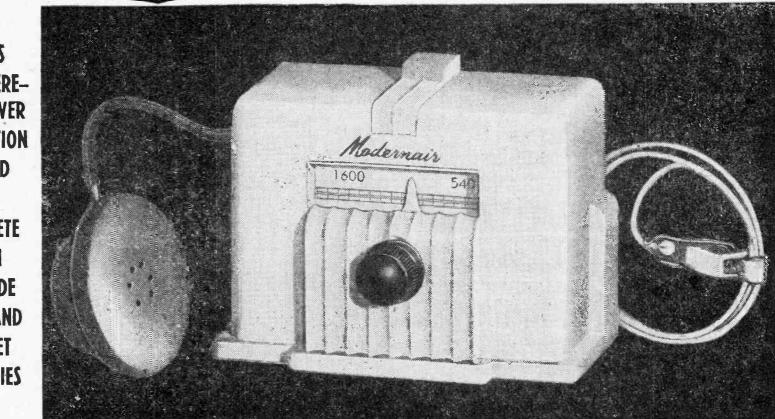
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wedding of Howard Shoat and Cecily Schusterow at the Cafe Royale in the Windy City. Fancy Freddie says: "If the job's worth doing at all, do it well." GEORGE HEINL'S ... GEORGE HEINL'S ... jewelry and dish layout in the Plank-inton Arcade, Milwaukee, was the subject of a neat publicity splurge dished up in the August issue of *China, Glass and Decorative Acces-sories* mag. Publication printed a fea-ture article about Heinl's layout, with a picture shouring out of the tables practice. a picture showing one of the tables he set up there. ful worker C E. McCALLUM hears. of paddle note, is reported to be get-ting his share of the geedus with that item working Texas locations. He's successful because he believes that the more tips he tries to turn. the more he'll actually turn. JOE GALE takes.

LOU NELSON

Herman Frank and Bob Griffke, erst-

while pitchmen, used their musical talents to play at the September 7

The Billboard

**Pipes for Pitchmen** 







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No. 903-904

pitch store reminded him of Gimbel Bros.' basement. I also met John Swisher at Charleston. Just re-ceived the good news that Frenchy Thibault is doing okay at Iowa fa.rs with Al Rice. Wonder if Al has taught Frenchy the corn song. Would like to read some pipes here from the Brownfields." Emory cloth was the out. My partner had a muggy machine and the law sloughed us at Chattanooga, and since the route list showed Rose Kilrain in the North Carolina terri-tory and I mooched an understand-ing traveling salesman to check the Taylor on his mileage to Asheville. We were snatched off the blind at

What are the prospects for the winter among you store demonstrators? Tell Ole Bill about it.

JOSEPH LEE ... it is reported, will spend the fall and winter in Connecticut.

He's a success because he re-members only the good half of what he hears about others.

"ZARLINGTON PLAYERS

"ZARLINGTON PLAYERS ... with Dr. H. E. Zarlington in the di-rector's seat, just closed a two-week stand in Marlin, Tex., to houses which were filled at each perform-ance," blasts Fred C. Landrus, better known as Mandra, the entertainer, from Cameron, Tex. "Zarlington," says Landrus, "is doing a splendid business pitching Tate-Lax and his show is in top shape and the good doctor is planning to remain out all winter playing Southern Texas spots. Show line-up includes a five-piece hillbilly band, Mr. and Mrs. Zarling-ton and the writer. Recent visitors included Jack Goodwin and family, who were opening a platform show in ton and the writer. Recent visitors included Jack Goodwin and family, who were opening a platform show in Waco, Tex., and Cleve Pullens, for-merly of Pullens' Comedians. He is manager of the Grand Theater at Waco. Bonnie Zarlington, who had been working clubs in Northern New York, joined here. Weather in this neck of the woods has been ter-rifically hot during the days and cool in the evenings. Local fields are snowy white with cotton and it's be-ing baled daily, giving everyone some musical dough. Spending has been good. Show is being transported on three trucks and a bus. Dr. Zarling-ton would like to read pipes here from Mary and Madaline Ragan and Mel Hathaway."

With the numerous fairs over the country stacking the shekels away, we're confident that many of the boys and girls are getting plenty of greenbacks for that winter hiatus. How many of you have declared yourself in for a Southern vaca-tion while the cold winds blow up North?

### JACK ZIMMERMAN

JACK ZIMMERMAN . . . currently making a tour around the United States on a bicycle, goes nostalgic in recounting some of his experiences in outdoor show busi-ness along with those in the pitch field. Writing from Seneca, S. C., Jack says: "I'm down here getting ready for some Saturday dates. The Duke Dower interests are ballybooready for some Saturday dates. The Duke Power interests are ballyhoo-ing their struggles during the 1907 panic and stressing the lack of the good old moola of 40 years ago. I was touring the territory then, sparwas touring the territory then, spar-ring for the so-called soap-wrapper script. I crossed the Ohio River into the Blue Grass section tailing the Gentry Show, checking a Taylor with single trap and high-wire rigging, and busking on the courthouse square and corners with a tumbling act. When the take began falling off, I set up a peeler layout and worked Allen's Knife of the World. How many of the boys ever stowed a sweaty shirt in the stock keister?

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tory and I mooched an understand-ing traveling salesman to check the Taylor on his mileage to Asheville. We were snatched off the blind at Knoxville, the fuzz weeding us for my whitestone and watch and my partner's cannon machine, the "or else" being 60 days in the tile fac-tory. Harrington hollered "uncle" via Western Union and I promoted some tory. Harrington hollered "uncle" via Western Union and I promoted some z dram vials and Hot Springs salted and went down the French River to Asheville. The Kilrain trick had gone to the barn and the Johnny J. Jones Exposition (then a gilly outfit) was at Spartansburg. The peelers on Saturday and court days paid off better than 50-50 after the nut. I was bitching Florida way paid off better than 50-50 after the nut. I was pitching Florida way when up popped Harry J. Freeman, agent for Dago Mike Smith and his Coney Island Shows and he lured n.e onto the lot. Being no 40-miler, I could not live on the music of the Italian band. Joe Oppice had the colored show, and James F. Murphy the Ferris Wheel. I headed back to the med and peelers until January, 1908. While making a sneak pitch on med in one of the port towns heading for the Mardi Gras, the \$1-per-catch-man glommed me. The man with the legal books hung \$250 S1-per-catch-man glommed me. The man with the legal books hung \$250 on the gang at 50 cents per day. I appealed to the judge and he said he'd be as lenient as so and so and we wound up with 29 days on the road gang. Then I went to work on the people who hurrahed Admiral Bob Evans on the West Coast. Sur-vival of the fittest. The law permits me all due courtesies, my nut is at a minimum. The passouts are fair and I've been doling out some magic slum. After making Florida this winand I've been doing out some magic slum. After making Florida this win-ter, I plan to ease up the East Coast to make the New England States. I'm toting on my bike a West Coast bindle stiff blanket roll and mess gear and trade with the farmers."

Try as long as you will, you'll never ork up prestige at the other fellow's expense.

### GEORGE DURST

GEORGE DURST ... letters from New York that badge board workers did okay business there during the recent national American Legion Convention. Durst points out, however, that there were incidents where source neddless points out, nowever, that there were incidents where souvenir peddlers, overstocked with buttons, water pis-tols, canes and other Legion gim-crackery, started panicky sales cam-paigns, offering their wares at cut prices only to wind up still over-stocked stocked.

What's the dope on the med shows? Let's have a report on the summer treks and business.

### **KIWANIS SHOW DRAWS** (Continued from page 61)

Kehoe and his all-girl marimba band, the Daredevils of the Sky, the Sensational Ortons, the Great Telesco, the Dalton and Bailey Sisters, the Four Herzogs, the Billetti Troupe, Frank Cook, Wanda and Howard, the Bells, Ben Dova, the Three Fondalls, the Acri Trio, the Four Jacks, the Flying Gibsons, and the Stardusters.

Side shows included Howell's World's Fair Glassblowers, the Penobscot Indiana Village and George and Dixie with their hillbilly band.

Flack job was done by Dick Sulli-van, youthful Boston publicist, who van, youthful Boston publicist, who cracked the front pages 10 times in two weeks. First major break came when Sullivan and John Harlacker arranged to stage a backyard circus for a five-year-old sick lad in Somer-ville, Mass., suburb of Boston. Story was carried over the air, in the news-pagers with pictures and made the papers, with pictures, and made the wire services.

### The Billboard

# At Logansport, Ind.

that the shortage of laborers was get-ting acute. One official reported the show opened the season this year with 40 tent men and is now down

Plymouth, Ind., gave with a full house at night after only a fair mat-inee. The afternoon show got under way at 3 p.m., which was too early in view of the fact schools aren't dismissed until 3:45, thereby pre-venting many kids from attending. At Van Wert, O., the story was the same, matinee being light and night business, being concerning.

business being capacity. At Sharon, Pa., the show bucked the opening high school football game of the season, which told on its attendance. Night show drew a three-quarter house after a light matinee.

inee. Meadville, Pa., proved a night-mare. Not only did it rain all day, which made for only light attend-ance at both shows, but the org, which was to inaugurate a new lot, located on municipal property just west of Meadville, had its train spotted at the Erie Railroad switch, about 20 miles distant in the south about 30 miles distant in the south end of the city. It was necessary to

business was light.



gould, the weather, which was ex-tremely hot, cut attendance at the matinee, only about a half-house be-ing present, but it cooled at night and the show did capacity.

Weather hindered, too, in Jones-boro, where the mercury hit a Sep-tember high of 102. In spite of this,



however, show had a three-quarter matinee and a turnaway at night. Unbiased observers said more than 500 were unable to gain admittance. Reserved seats were sold out some 30 minutes before the night show was scheduled to start and the performance itself was held up 15 minutes due to the surging crowd.

Stuttgart, Ark., gave with two full



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# SALESBOARD SIDELIGHTS

### New York:

Merchandise boards offering houseware items are reported still doing a good business in near-by resort areas... Sid Levine, of Black Sales, is making an extended biz trip thru the South... Bob Pearlman, Washington coin machine operator. reports that he intends to put out some boards in the Carolinas... Paul Todman, Columbus coinman and salesboard operator in town for a few days visiting friends, reports his board operations have never been better than the past couple of months.

Many new coin machine operators are adding salesboards to their routes, according to Joseph Rake, of Rake Coin Machine Exchange, Philadelphia. . . Otto Goldman, sales manager for Globe Printing Company, just returned from the West Coast, is leaving almost at once for another extended business trip.

A Christmas tree that lights up and whose decorations make up a punchboard is the new salesboard that Greenglass Sales Company will have ready within two weeks, according to Hy Greenglass, firm head. Board will be the first of a brand new line that the firm has been working on for the past month or so... Business is really picking up, according to officials of Bork Manufacturing Company.

### Chicago:

Charles B. Leedy, Gardner & Company sales manager, is expected back in Chicago September 22 from his California business jaunt. According to Miss F. Zinder, assistant sales manager, the giant hole boards are "spoken for before they come thru



## A-P Buys To Expand Company's Business

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 13.—Ticket and salesboard departments of both the Missouri Novelty Company and Central Distributing Company here were recently purchased by Art Paule, manager of the A-P Distributing Company. Paule plans to increase A-P's volume of business in keeping with the new acquisitions.

Following the expansion move, Paule's secretary, Nadine Langenneckert, was appointed firm assistant manager.

the line." She states there is an extra demand these days for the firm's Twelve Big Fins boards.

Irv Padorr. Peerless Products, Inc., says that in spite of some squeeze on materials they are continuing to hit higher production levels. . . . J. Worth. Worthmore Sales, reports a new box for counter tickets. Container, according to Worth, is "a colorful ticket vender which has 49 sections and holds up to 2.500 tickets, giving it a wide variety of sales." Cover on the container is double hinged, and box becomes an attractive counter piece when not in operation. Payouts are printed on inside of cover. Shipments are now being made on the new container, Worth states.

Reuben Berkowitz, Bee-Jay Froducts, and his wife will celebrate the first birthday of their daughter, Marty Ann, September 21.... Manny Gutterman, sales director for Harlich Manufacturing Company, returned from his New York-Pennsylvania trip September 11: he is leaving for the West Coast this week or next to carry news of the two new boards scheduled for early production, Triple Sawbucks and Ten-er-Five. Former has three tickets in a hole, each hole going for a dime; Ten-er-Five has two tickets to a hole, punch price is a nickel. Gutterman Says the recently released Gold Bar Special board is finding ready acceptance.

Buyers of salesboards at Superior Products remember Lillian Kascale whose name was practically synonymous with Superior's order and production departments. Lillian is now associated with Dave Lovitz, former advertising manager of O. D. Jennings, coln machine firm, in his new advertising agency in the Loop.

### **Cleveland:**

Normax Sales Company here is currently bringing out a new line of salesboard deals featuring new id-s in display and customer appeal, according to Norm Finson, general manager. Normax, which also wholesales confections and novelties in addition to gifts and premiums, anticipates a top fall season and is prepared to give full assistance to all operators, firm officials state.

A wedding is in store for Norm Finson, it is reported by Normax. He will marry Miss Maxine Gerber, of Shaker Heights, on November 1.

### N. O. OKAY FOR COLE

(Continued from page 59) seat section filled with double rows of extra chairs and hundreds seated on the shavings. Between 500 and 600 persons were turned away.

Mobile publicity, thanks to the activity of Frank J. Lee, press and radio representative, was excellent. The Mobile Press and Mobile Register ran three-column spreads for three days and opening day one carried a double column box story on the show.

# Under the Marquee

(Continued from page 62) Others met by Nealand on his travels included Charley Abbott, carnival general agent; Col. Howard (Doc) Stahler, press agent for Endy Bros. Shows, and Howard Ingram, owner of the Florida Amusement Company.

"Funniest thing I ever lived," jackpotted a billposter, "was when a woman insisted on selecting the 24-sheets, 'scenes to match the paint,' she called it, to be posted on her freshly painted country home."

Al Butler, contracting agent for Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, paid a visit August 14 to A. Morton Smith, of Gainesville, Tex.; who is recuperating from an emergency appendectomy performed August 3. Butler contracted Gainesville for the Big One September 17, and the show will break in a new lot near U. S. Highway 82 in the northwest section of the city. It will be R-B's first visit to Gainesville in 10 years. Joe M. Leonard, publisher of *The Daily Register*, Gainesville, assisted Butler in securing the lot and making contracts.

Years ago when a boss butcher thought a show couldn't get along without him, a manager called him to the office and asked. "What would the show do if you were to die?" "You'd get another man," answered the butcher. "Well," shot back the manager, "You died last night at 12 o'clock. We have another man to fill your shoes."

Edythe Siegrist, 63, a catcher for the original Flying Siegrists, with the Barnum & Bailey Circus for many years, is packing her possessions preparatory to moving from her home in Canton, O., to Florida. She worked in the flying act 30 years. Her husband, Charles, who suffered a broken back in a Madison Square Garden mishap in the early 1930's, still is touring as a flier despite his 63 years of age. One of Edythe's stepsons, Joe, and her .son, Billy, are with other touring trapeze acts.

According to a piece by Leonard Lyons in his syndicated New York column, Beverly Kelly, Ringling-Barnum press boss, is arranging with Rodgers and Hammerstein, producers of Annie, Get Your Gun, about a suitable grave for Annie Oakley. While Annie's name is emblazoned in lights over a Broadway theater marquee, her body lies in un unmarked grave at Brock, O., Lyons wrote in his column.

Proof the world is changing is in the disappearance of the yokel who used to cut holes in sidewalls to peep into ladies dressing rooms.



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# CONEY ISLAND, N. Y.

(Continued from page 64) Wanhattan, Friday (12). . . Jimmie Korines will erect stands of stainless steel to match his four rides on the Bovery. Stands will be let to con-cersionaires next season. . . Blue Bird Casino, Surf and West 12th, has two "to let" signs on the premises. . . Angello Finelli is managing one of three shooting galleries owned by George Terra and Frank Russo. Angelo's is on the Bowery. Others are on Stillwell and on Surf. . . . Leo Canfield is watching over father-in-law Fred's bottle game on the Bowery. Bowery.

in-law Fred's bottle game on the Bowery. Murray (Sporty) Kaufman, camera expert, is making a tour of the race tracks with Angello Finelli and Leo Canfield. . . Lou Elizabeth Liszt, wife of the late Nelse, is doing nicely in Asbury Park, N. J., where she op-erates an antique shop, a hotel and a big parking lot directly opposite the Greyhound Bus terminal. . . Leo Stober, Isadore Rubenstein and Eu-gene Flormont, Grayhound game execs, are readying an exhibit of their product for the Chicago outdoor convention in December. They also are perfecting a new group game at their Coney shop. . . Perfect Games Company is equipping Lew Klein's Penny Arcade Amusement Center in Brooklyn with poker tables. They also added another 12 more, for a to-tal of 50, to Million-Dollar Playland, Manhattan, for Abe Seskin, Chick Guelfi and Billy Jackson. . . Fred Canfield will call it a season after the Mardi Gras and rest at his Miami Beach, Fla., home and aboard his new yacht. . . Most concessionaires and ops will stretch the season to Oc-tober 1, opening for just week-ends, weather permitting. Ben Fabricant, jeweler, is the latest partner of six interested in the finan-

Ben Fabricant, jeweler, is the latest partner of six interested in the finan-cial destiny of Five-Star-Final game on Surf. Others are Stanley Gersh, Sam Garber, Herman Rapp, Adolph (Butch) Erhman and Julia Taffett. Oldest employee with 15 years of connection to his credit is Julius Dan, pitman.

Chris Feucht, part owner of the Cyclone and an islander for 40 years when he started his Drop the Dip ride when he started his Drop the Dip ride on the Bowery, deplores the current Coney trend of business men in-teresting themselves in more than one operating deal. He says his Cyclone, to operate safely, keeps him on the job from opening to closing seven days in the week. . . John Crane, formerly operating guess-your-age and Coca-Cola with the Victory Shows is now associated with Fred Thorpe's donkey game at Play-land, Rockaway Beach, N. Y. . . . Max Levine is the new manager of RKO. Tilyou pic house on Surf. . . Charlie Drake, formerly of the Comet ride, is a new addition to McCullough's Carousel, 16th and Boardwalk, as operator and ticket seller. . . Princess Ramarez, a Catherine Dunham protegee, is a new Boardwalk, as operator and ticket seller. . . Princess Ramarez, a Catherine Dunham protegee, is a new dancer at Tirza's. . . Samuel Levine, nine years an islander, formerly a guess-your-ager, has two graphol-ogy stands, one on the Bowery with himself in charge and one on Still-well with Allan Epstein in command. Many islanders are mourning the passing August 30 of Dr. Abra-ham Klein, physician and Sea Gate resident. . . Steeplechase Ballroom has a new television set, an RCA model. . . Bella Lubitz, with sister Tanye Brussak, are island first-timers, operating a lunch counter, at Surf and West Eighth.

timers, operating a lunch counter, at Surf and West Eighth. Rocco (Bob) Castellano, partner with Dave Bernstein in poker roll, Bowery and West 15th, under the firm name of B. C. Enterprises, is a licensed plumber on the side. John E. Bernard, tinsmith, has bought Perfect Games Company factory on West Eighth to enlarge his quarters. P. G. org moves its plant to the P. G. org moves its plant to the three-story building on Surf where Play the Races tenants the lower floor. Both transactions take place October 1. . . Murray Waenger is

out to sell his Atlantis on the Board-walk and confine his attention solely to his Copacabana, now an all-year-round nitery on Miami Beach. Prosround nitery on Miami Beach. Pros-pective buyer is Lew Klein, arcade operator in Coney and Brooklyn and music record dealer in Manhattan. ... The Daiell brothers, Sid and Lou, take to the road via the fair circuit, after the Mardi Gras, starting in Trenton with a penny-pitch game.

## **Fair Dates**

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Denton-Denton Co. Fair Assn.	Sept.	23-27			
O. L. Fowler.	-				
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Walter C. Ralph.	-				
Lamesa-Dawson Co. Fair Assn.	Sept.	25-27.			
C. A. Hollingsworth.					
Leonard-Leonard Fair Assn.	Sept.	23-27.			
H. H. Blackburn.					
Pecos-Fall Fair & Festival.	Sept.	25-27.			
Alton Hughes.					
Temple Central Texas Fair.	Sept.	23-28.			
Earl T. Tate.					
VIRCINIA					

VIRCINIA Anherst-Amherst Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 23-26. W. M. Gannaway. Farmville-Five-County Fair. Sept. 22-27. J. C. Brickert. Huntington-KYOWVA Fair. Sept. 21-28. James T. Hetzer. Norfolk-Twin County Fair. Sept. 22-27. H. J. Burke. Norfolk-Iv J. Burke,

### WASHINGTON

Pullman-State 4-H Club Fair. Sept. 24-28. Charles T. Meenach. Yakima-Central Washington Fair. Sept. 24-28. J. Hugh King. WEST VIRGINIA

Parson-Tucker Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 24-27. Luther Sturms. Phillippi-Barbour Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 25-27. Gerald Baughman. CANADA

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Sept. 23-24. G. C. Stephens.
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Dunubo, Ont.-West Wellington Agrl. Soc. Sept. 24-25. West Alles, Holstein.
Soc. Sept. 25-26. J. F. Young.
Holstein, Ont.-Kington & Scient. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 22-25. Elmor Beckett.
Kamboops, E. C.-Kamloops Agrl. Assn. Sept. 22-25. Hugh Berry, Woodham.
Soc. Sept. 25-27. Mrs. P. A. Conley. Sept. 23-24. Herole.
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 Big Parade, 835,00; Air Circus, 865,00; Argentine, 855,00; A.B.C. Bowler, 825,00; Star Attraction, 846,00; Do Rie Me, 830,00; Wildlire, 825,00;
 Donble Play, 825,00; Knocott, 845,00; Victory, 845,00; Paratroops, 845,00; Gun Club, 825,00;
 Stappy, 830,00; Four Diamonds, 830,00; Seven Up, \$25,00; Majors 1941, \$25,00; Defense, \$15,00; Fast Four, 865,00; Jungle, 835,00; Zig Zaz, \$30,00; West Wind, \$30,00; Ten Spot, \$25,00; Fast Fall, \$15,50; Smer Liner, \$15,00; Cast Ball, \$15,50; Smer Liner, \$15,00; Come after them. Nothing shipped. Charles Borer, 200 Division St., Marshall, Michi-gan.

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204 Logan St., Denver, Colo.
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Phone 22316. ERIF DIGGERS, 10 EXHIBIT MODEL F's-F's Iron Claws, S Junior Diggers, 10 Merchantiers, T's Iron Claws, S Junior Diggers, 10 Merchantiers, men, S Exhibit Rotary Merchantiers, Terms ex-tended with reference. National, 4243 Sanson, Philadelphin 4, Pa. 1947 MODEL SILVER KING-CLEAN AND perfect, \$9,00. A.B.T. Challenger, \$27.50, Exhibit Card Vender, \$15.00, 3 Col. 1c Snacks, \$8.50. ½ deposit, Eastern, 350 Mulberry, Newark, N. J.



September 20, 1947-

BIG FETE F

Sales to Army Taken in Pitt Boat Disaster **Overseas** PXs CINCINNATI, Sept. 13.—Coin ma-chines valued at several thousand dollars were destroyed in the Pitts-

### New Procurement Plan

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- With an in-NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—With an in-creasing number of Army Post Ex-changes opening up overseas, and with PX officers now authorized to purchase materials directly, without funneling all orders thru a central purchasing office as was the case dur-ing and immediately after the war, sales of records, juke boxes and parts, and verding machines to overseas inand vending machines to overseas in-stallations are increasing steadily. (See story in Music department.)

The Army Exchange Procurement,) The Army Exchange Procurement headquarters in New York, which functions as a domestic buying office only, receiving requests from over-seas, and filling those requests, re-ports that the overseas installations have been ordering juke boxes steadily. If the order specifically calls for a juke box by a manufacturer's trade name, t shipped. that box is purchased and ed. When no name is requested, procurement officers shop the various manufacturers, and in line with usual army policy, purchase machines of-fered at the best price.

### Parts Requested

Parts Requested An increasingly heavy number of requests is being received from over-seas for juke box parts, it was re-ported by the procurement office. With a juke box mechanic training school being conducted by the army in Germany, machines which suffer mechanical breakdowns can now be remained by the G L's provided the repaired by the G.I.'s provided the parts are available.

parts are available. In the vending field, orders are being received constantly both here and in England for various types of machines to be installed in PXs and in other official buildings. One of the most frequently requested vend-ers is the soft drink machine. While the army procurement office functions exclusively for army in-stallations, the navy, coast guard and marines have similar set-ups to serv-ice their overseas stores.

### States-Side Picture

Domestically, the juke box and vending machine picture in the armed forces is quite the opposite. Here the army recommends that installa-tions desiring juke boxes, vending machines and bell machines for their officers' clubs work thru recognized coin machine operators. Thus the army installation becomes a location army installation becomes a location for the op, who places his machines in the various PXs, clubs, and, in the case of candy and soft drink venders, in recreation barracks. He then works a percentage basis with the installation.

stallation. Government-owned or controlled buildings also advocate the use of ops in placing coin-operated machines in the locations. An example is the U. S. Government Building in Long Island City. Here approximately 50 venders, including soft drink, candy, cigarette ice cream and cigar macigarette, ice cream and cigar ma-chines are scattered thruout the building. The ops turn their loca-tion percentages over to an employ-ees' fund which is used for occasional entertainments.

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dollars were destroyed in the Pitts-burgh explosion disaster Tuesday afternoon (9) that demolished the Steamer Island Queen, pleasure craft that carries passengers to and from Coney Island, spacious amusement park located 10 miles up the Ohio River from Cincinnati. Operated by the Coney Island Company here, owner of the park and vessel, the equipment number-ing some 35 machines was rated a heavy revenue producer for the amusement concern, which reported (*The Billboard*, July 12) an average take of \$800 weekly from the ma-chines. The arcade was located in the fore section of the Queen's ball-room on the promenade deck and did its biggest business during the regular park season when the 4,000regular park season when the 4,000-capacity boat made four trips daily during week-days and five on holi-

# Order Adds **To Confusion**

**Oregon Game** 

### Local Licenses Denied

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 13.—Op-erators and distributors who have been uncertain ever since Oregon's new coin machine tax law was passed new coin machine tax law was passed last' April over the status of payouts, were not helped by a directive issued by the State's attorney general this week. The order, issued to district attorneys of 36 counties, denied the right of local governments to license pinballs, bells or salesboards which return money or trade. Attorney General George Neuner referred to the State Supreme Court's decision holding these types of equip-

decision holding these types of equip-ment are not permitted under the law. He did not, however, square his posi-tion with that of the 1947 Legislature, which, in amending the tax schedule on coin-operated machines, deleted from the law the words: "... and to

from the law the words: "... and to return to the player thereof no coins, tokens or merchandise." At-the time of the law's passage, some operators felt that the changed wording would permit payouts, and there has been no Supreme Court rul-ing since passage of the amendment --which levies a \$50 annual tax on every coin-operated amusement de-vice other than music.

Local governments are expected to take a dim view of the directive, since many have set up their 1947-48 budg-ets with estimates of revenue to be derived from taxes on the equipment to which it refers. If put into effect the directive could

If put into effect the directive could mean seizure of many games in pri-vate clubs thruout the State which heretofore have not been interfered with. The law has been interpreted as applying equally to private mem-berhsip clubs and to public locations, (See Ore. Game Order on page 142)

days and over week-ends. Perhaps the principal reason for the arcade's success was its proximity to the dance floor, which received the bulk of attention from passengers. The arcade also did considerable

Clark St., Chicage 1, Ill.

The arcade also did considerable business during pre-season and post-season moonlight cruises up and down the Ohio (the craft was on such a trip at the time of the disaster). but the trips did not bring in the gross that was garnered during the regular season, despite the fact that the boat was generally well-filled. Moonlight cruises, officials suid, were generally patronized by an older class of people whose prime purpose in making the trip was to dance. Best patrons of the arcade were chil-dren, who kept the penny machines Best partons of the arcade were chil-dren, who kept the penny machines busy despite the limited amount of money they had to spend. There-fore, a good many of the machines were of the type popular with chil-drem

dren. Plagued by the inability of manu-facturers to supply new machines, the arcade's management had been going along with old equipment, some of it dating back to eight years ago when Coney took over the arcade operation from a concessionaire.

operation from a concessionaire. Among machines lost in the ex-plosion were Standard Coin's metal identification printer: International Mutoscope's Ace Bomber, Drive-Mobile, postcard vender, Sky Fighter and voice recording and photo booths; Chicago Coin's Goalee: Bally's Allow Luce Fichibit's Air Moil booths; Chicago Coin's Goalee: Bally's Alley Ups; Exhibit Supply's Air Mail Letter card vender, Pep-o-Meter, Blue Bird card vender, Merry-Go-Round of Love, Kiss-o-Meter, Three Wise Owls, Wheels of Love. Three Blind Mice and 1-cent machines, and a number of International Muto-scope's 1-cent peep shows.

# Dry Ga. County **Keverts to Wet**

BAINBRIDGE, Ga., Sept. 13. — New locations for coin machines were a possibility here following a ruling by the Georgia Court of Ap-peals that the June 15, 1945 election which voted Decatur County into a "dry" territory was invalid since the required 25 per "dry" territory was invalid since the required 35 per cent of the registered voters did not sign a petition for the election.

election. City Attorney M. E. O'Neal said that in his opinion the county was now "wet" and it would require an-other election under the local option law to make it "dry" again.

# Freight Rate **Plea Refused**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13 .--- Plea of the ration's railroads for an "emergency" freight rate boost of 10 per cent prior to formal hearings on a 27 per cent boost was denied Wednesday (10) by the Interstate Commerce Commission. Government agency ruled that shippers opposed to the raise will be heard before action is taken.

# Coin Firms Up Heavy Toll of Coin Equipment Cancer Fund **Gets Boost**

**COIN MACHINES** 

OR CMI DRIVE

### All coinmen invited to attend special dinner-Senator Murray to speak .

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—First pub-lic announcement of all contributions to the Coin Machine Industries, Inc. (CMI) drive for the Damon Runyon Memorial Fund for Cancer Research will be made at a complimentary inspirational dinner to which all coin-men are invited. Dinner will be held in the Mural Room of the Bismarck Hotel here Sunday evening, Septem-ber 21, Dave Gottlieb, CMI presi-dent, announced this week. Featured at the event, which is aimed at boosting the cancer fund drive, will be an address by Sen. James E. Murray of Montana, small business booster and a long-time friend of the coin machine industry. Invitations to address the group have

Invitations to address the group have also been extended to Sen. Homer E. Capehart of Indiana, and Walter Winchell, leader of the nationwide Damon Runyon cancer fund campaign.

### Others Invited

Invitations to the event have been extended to all coin machine manuextended to all coin machine manu-facturers, all suppliers of parts and materials for coin machines, all terri-torial chairmen of the CMI cancer fund drive, and other distributors and operators who have conducted outstanding campaigns in behalf of this cause this cause,

this cause, In announcing the dinner, Gott-lieb said: "This gathering will be a miniature coin machine convention in itself. Everyone attending will receive a tremendous amount of in-spiration. We are asking all of our spiration. We are asking all of our territorial chairmen to concentrate during the next week in getting as many as possible of their operators and jobbers to put on special local cancer fund drives in their terri-tories.

### First Amouncement

First Amouncement "At this meeting we will make the first public announcement of all contributions to the coin machine Industry's Damon Runyon cancer fund thus far. We hope to have a tremendous number of new ideas and suggestions offered to us for carry-ing on the drive during the next four months. Our aim is to make the conmonths. Our aim is to make the contribution of the coin machine industry absolutely the largest contribution received by the Damon Runyon Memorial Fund from any one source."

Memorial Fund from any one source." CMI officials stated that any coin-man is welcome to the dinner re-gardless of whether or not he has received a formal invitation. They request, however, that those who in-tend to attend the dinner notify as-sociation headquarters to that effect.

### Drive Stickers Ready

Also in connection with the drive, CMI announced this week that special stickers designed to boost plays of the record, You're the Sunshine of My Heart and Ella, which has been slated for special Fund donations, are ready for distribution. Stickers, prepared by Broacast Mu-(See Big Fete for CMI on page 142)

# **CMI** Launches Industry-Wide Membership Drive

CHICAGO, Sept. 13—An all-out business—that it is an industry and membership drive was launched by that it is not a racket. Coin Machine Industries, Inc. (CMI) here this week with a direct mail campaign of 20,000 letters and appre-clation blanks to coin machine operciation blanks to coin machine oper-ators, jobbers, distributors thruout the United States and Canada and a paid advertising campaign in all trade publications. Letters were mailed from Chicago Friday (12) and ads are to appear this week and in the October issues of the monthly pub-lications. Goal of the drive is to boost the CMI associate membership above the 1,000 mark. Key selling point in the drive is the job the public relations program has done for the industry in its 11 months' existence to date plus fact that CMI represents the interests of all phases of the coin machine in-

all phases of the coin machine in-dustry.

all phases of the coin machine in-dustry. **Gilmore Keynotes Drive** From the CMI offices here, James A. Gilmore announced the campaign and explained its objectives. In cit-ing the many reasons why all coin-men should hold associate member-ships, he laid particular stress on the interdependence of the amusement, music, vending and service phases of the industry. "Higher plane of oper-ation becomes a myth," he declared, "when profits fly out the window. The operator who does not make profits his goal is no credit to him-self or to the industry. He should step out and leave the industry to those willing and anxious to diversi-fy their operation to such extent that profits are sure to result. "Every machine that operates by the insertion of a coin is a coin-op-erated machine—always was and al-ways will be," Gilmore stressed. "The manufacturers, distributors and op-erators of all types of coin-operated machines are each and every one an integral part of the coin machine in-dustry. The problems of one should be the problems of all. Legislation, taxation and regulation are directed against all types of machines in the great majority of instances—seldom against all types of coin-operated machines how and convention welcomes as exhibitors manufac-turers of all types of coin-operated machines, vending, music, amuse-ment, and service, and solicits attend-ance of operators, distributors, job-bers and manufacturers of every type of coin-operated machine. Our public relations program is for the benefit of the coin machine industry as a

bers and manufacturers of every type of coin-operated machine. Our public relations program is for the benefit of the coin machine industry as a whole. We do not single out any one type of machine or any one type of operation. Our aim and object in our public relations program is to convince the public that the opera-tion, distribution and manufacture of coin-operated machines is legitimate

# Ben Rodin on **NAAMO Board**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- Ben Rodin, NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Ben Rodin, Washington, was named to the execu-ive board of the National Associa-tion of Amusement Machine Owners (NAAMO) Thursday (11), according to F. McKim Smith, NAAMO presi-dent. Smith also announced that two new regional directors for South Carolina and Maryland would be named shortly.

Rodin is the owner of three amusement arcades in Washington besides operating music and amusement machine routes and heading a distributing organization. He was a recent speaker at the NAAMO-spon-sored coin machine mechanic train-ing school in the Manhattan Trades Center, New York.

"The coin machine industry should be an all for one and one for all in-dustry," Gilmore continued. "Natur-ally there are problems of special interest to each type of machine but by and large the problems of the industry as a whole are the problems of vending machine manufacturers, distributors and operators just the same as music, anusement and servsame as music, amusement and serv-ice machine manufacturers, distributors and operators.

ice machine manufacturers, distributors and operators.
"Coin Machine Industries, Inc.," he concluded, "welcomes to membership all reputable operators, distributors, jobbers and manufacturers of any type of machine that operates by the insertion of a coin."
Tho membership drive is principally aimed at swelling the associate membership ranks, it will also seek to enlist the support of all manufacturers are currently supporting the program voluntarily with an agreed percentage of their annual sales. Associate members pay \$25 a year and receive jn return an official membership certificate, identification card, cut of the official CMI emblem for use on stationery and advertising. Members also receive special privileges in connection with regular association activities, one of which is free registration for associate members and employees for the annual convention and coin show.

Manufacturers supporting the pub-lic relations campaign are A.B.T. Manufacturing Corp.; AMI, Inc.; Bally Manufacturing Co.; Bell - o - Matic Corp.; Chicago Coin Machine Co.; Coan Manufacturing Co.; Edelman Amusement Devices; H. C. Evans & Co.; Genco Manufacturing and Sales Co.; D. Gottlieb & Co.; Groetchen Tool and Manufacturing Co.; Inter-national Mutoscope Corp; Reliable Metal Engineering Co.; Revco, Inc.; United Manufacturing Co.; Williams Manufacturing Co., and Exhibit Sup-ply Co. Manufacturers supporting the pub

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—The crown-ing of Miss Voice-O-Graph of 1947 ing of Miss Voice-O-Graph of 1947 took place yesterday (12) in Felt-man's Restaurant, Coney Island, as one of the highlights of the Mardi Gras Carnival (September 7-14) with William Rabkin, president of Inter-national Mutoscope Corporation, pre-senting the crown to Miss Gloria Humphries, Vogue model and movie actress actress.

Miss Voice-O-Graph

actress. Festivities were opened with the singing of The Star-Spangled Ban-ner by Frances Kizzard, of the Metro-politan Opera. Arthur Lessac, direc-tor of the National Academy of Vocal Arts, cut the ribbon around the latest model of the voice recording machine that was shown to the around that was shown to the crowd.

Miss Humphries was crowned with a tiara of the coin-operated Voice-O-Graph recording blanks, designed by Walter Florel.

# **Resumed Output** In Allite Plan **Of Reorganizing**

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 13.—Allite Manufacturing Company, Inc., makers of Strikes 'n' Spares, will resume a schedule of 20 units per day one month from now, after the firm has been reorganized under Chapter 11 of the National Brankruptcy Act, according to William Schrader, own-er of the firm.

Schrader said that negotiations are Schrader said that negotiations are now underway for an important tie-up to be made within the next week or 10 days. Meanwhile, the factory will have a month's layoff, during which replacement of pin pulleys will be made. The plan, Schrader said, had been approved by the re-ceiver, George T. Goggin. Schrader, who owns 100 per cent of the stock in this firm and 80 per cent of the stock of the Schrader Electronics and Coil Company, said (See Resumed Output on page 142)

# South American Coin Field Undeveloped, Says Importer

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—"The mar-ket for coin machines in South Amer-ica has been barely touched," de-clared Dommino Waurez, of Monticlared Dommino Waurez, of Monti-video, Uruguay, to The Billboard on Wednesday (10) before his departure for a tour of the Midwest. The main thing that U. S. manufacturing and distributing firms will have to do, however, Waurez states, "is to build confidence among us coin machine importing firms." Beceint of non-concrating and

Receipt of non-operating and poorly packed equipment before the war, he said, has done much to make many heavy investors decide to put their capital in fields other than coin

that it has been his experience that firms fill his orders at a more than fair price and then ship a broken piece of equipment that requires correspondence with the manufactur-ers for repair parts. "Sometimes I can understand their actions if the machine was going to a customer in their country," he says, "but they don't seem to understand that we have to write for every broken part and it is not the few dollars involved, but the months before the part is re-ceived that is so important. ceived that is so important.

### **Contacting Firms**

"If I succeed in meeting executives in 10 top firms during my visit to this country, state my case and feel that I am fully understood and can expect the fullest of co-operation, I will feel that this trip to the United States has been very successful,"

# CrownVogue Model NAAMO Guest Instructors Line-Up Set

### List Most Coin Manufacturers

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 13 .- Names ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 13.—INAMES of guest instructors who are repre-senting most of the important coin machine manufacturing firms at the Veterans Coin Machine Mechanics' School sponsored by the National Association of Amusement Machine Owners (NAAMO), New York City Board of Education and Veterans'

Board of Education and Veterans' Administration, were partly released this week by F. McKim Smith, NAAMO president. Teaching this week for Bally Manu-facturing Company, Chicago, at the school (being held in the Manhattan Trades Center, New York) is Leo Galinski, Smith states. Elmer John-son will instruct next week for At-lantic New York Corporation, which is pinchhitting for J. P. Seeburg Corporation of Chicago. Also next week Herman Daddis will instruct for Amusement Enterprises, Brook-lyn. lyn.

lyn. On September 22 and 23 Amuse-matic Corporation will instruct, but they, like Rock-Ola Manufacturing Corporation, which will instruct on September 24 and 25, haven't de-cided on instructors as yet. Irving Landman takes over on September 26 for Scientific Machine Company, New York.

### **Gottlieb in October**

**Cottlicb in October** For October only two manufac-turing firms have sent Smith the names of the guest instructors that will represent them at the special school. These are D. Gottlieb & Com-pany, Chicago, which will send Wayne Neyens, firm engineer, to teach on October 14 and 15, and Firestone Enterprises, Brooklyn, which has stated that Jack Firestone will in-struct on October 16 and 17.

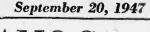
Used coin machines are still rolling Used coin machines are still rolling into the school's headquarters almost every day, Smith states, with latest offers of machines coming from Frank Engel, Automatic Equipment Com-pany, Philadelphia; Warren H. Tay-lor, Mills Sales Company, Ltd., Oak-land, Calif., and Carl Trippe, Ideal Novelty Company, St. Louis. Any coin machine manufacturer, distributor, operator or arcade owner who wants to donate used coin ma-chines-with or without all parts-

chines—with or without all parts— to the school may ship them direct to the Manhattan Trades Center, 45 Rivington Street, New York, care of A. P. Henry, senior instructor, Smith declares.

# **Jennings Holds Distrib** Meet

CHICAGO, Sept. 13 .-J. R. Bacon, vice-president of O. D. Jennings, an-nounced this week that the firm will

Their capital in fields other than coin machines. Arcades, as ops in the United States know them, are a thing of the future in Uruguay," Wairez declares, "but we do have a few amusement machines in other type establishments."
Looking Over Field
Stating that the main purpose of his trip thru the Eastern and Midwestern parts of this country are to find out firms that he and other importing organizations have done business with, and "more important to bors with, and "more important to sea with, and investigate new type coin-operated equipment, especially in the music field."
Giving some distributing firms a verbal spanking, Waurez pointed out
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# Gov't Report **Confirms Low Popcorn** Crop

### **Urge Advance Contracts**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—Popcorn ex-perts this week indicated that the popcorn supply picture runs a close parallel with the general report on the corn crop issued by the Depart-ment of Agriculture this week.

Estimating that the corn harvest this year will be the lowest since 1936, the government department said that the midsummer record drouth had slashed more than 33,000,000 bushels (all types of corn) from the nation's corn crop in last 15 days of August alone.

The popcorn crop is beyond help now and the quality of the corn will depend upon how late frosts come, crop experts said.

crop experts said. Large popcorn users indicated fur-ther this week that they feel certain that they will be able to meet demand with a combination of this year's crop and present reserves. What price will be forthcoming appears indefinite, altho the popcorn men have no doubts that it will be above the 1947 average. The Department of Agriculture re-

that it will be above the 1947 average. The Department of Agriculture re-port confirms fears expressed by pop-corn industry leaders (*The Billboard*, August 30, September 6, 13) that this year's harvest will be dangerously low. Industry spokesmen again this week emphasized the need for pop-corn users to arrange for next year's needs as soon as possible to avoid a "run" on available popcorn.

# Life Insurance **Venders Banned** By Fla. Ruling

MIAMI, Sept. 13 .- Sale of life insurance policies thru vending ma-chines was officially disapproved in Florida recently when State Treas-urer Ed Larson rejected an idea advanced by Paul Sanborn, of Miami and New York, for such operations.

Sanborn's plan was to dispense life insurance only, not casualty insur-ance policies for travelers such as is being done experimentally in New York transportation terminals.

Larson's ruling was based on his belief that "there should be a repre-sentative of a company who is a duly licensed agent to solicit the life insurance business and deliver the policy so the purchaser can see the type of contract he is getting and ask quessanborn had made no formal ap-

plication for installation of such ma-chines but reported that he had merely "talked it over" with Larson in the course of negotiations to in-stall the machines in various states.

### Florida Cig Tax Take Up

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., Sept. 13. — State cigarette tax collections took a 15.66 per cent rise during August over figures of a year ago. Collec-tions were \$982,547 during August, 1947, while only \$849,562 during the same month in 1946.

# Editorial Give the Whole Picture!

The information that "the vending machine business has about reached the saturation that "the venting machine busiless has about startled many a coinman in Chicago last week. Coming from an organization—the Chicago Better Business Bureau—whose job it is to know the details about such things, it was undoubtedly accepted by many readers of *The Chicago Daily News* as fact.

A check with the bureau revealed that the story behind publica-A check with the bureau revealed that the story behind publica-tion of such misinformation was a very narrow view of the entire vending machine industry by members of the bureau to whom falls the task of advising prospective investors on such things. Officials of the organization stated that there was no malicious intent in this view of the vending machine prospects, and investigation by *The Billboard* indicated that it seemingly stems from a surprisingly inadequate amount of information.

The bureau was admittedly thinking only in terms of small-scale vending machine operations, particularly penny nut and gum venders, when it issued its statement to the press last week. That in this day and age of such a fast-growing vending machine industry an organization of the caliber of a better business bureau should think of vending machines as having reached the saturation point is indeed element. indeed alarming.

In every large community in the country there is some "better business" organization which takes it upon itself to advise prospective investors. These same organizations also investigate reports of illegitimate businesses. In most cases their recommendations and statements are accepted by the general public with little or no quartient question.

Consequently, it is to the best interests of vending machine men everywhere to make a check and see that if such an organization exists in their community, it is properly informed about vending machines. Altho it should be the job of better business groups themselves to investigate the situation, as long as such information as was published in Chicago last week is given out, it becomes the responsibility of industry representatives to see that the job is done.

# Suppliers To Exhibit at **December NAMA Convention**

CHCAGO, Sept. 13.—Vending ma-chine supplies of all types will be on display at National Automatic Mer-chandising Association's (NAMA) convention and exhibit at the Palmer House here December 14-17

House here, December 14-17. Itmes on display will include not only the "big five"—candy, gum, nuts, cigarettes and beverages—but other popular items such as book matches, cough drops, peanut butter sand-wiches and assorted cookies.

Special facilities for suppliers have been provided on the seventh floor of the Palmer House for the mer-chandise display at NAMA's first annual exhibit.

### Space Going Rapidly

Space Going Rapidly Space on the fourth floor, where manufacturers will present their new-est and most modern machines, was sold out in July, and George M. Seed-man, 1947 convention and exhibit chairman, reports that space on the seventh floor is rapidly being filled. Three prominent cigarette manu-fucturers, all of whom supply auto-matic merchandising machines with a substantial volume of cigarettes, will have displays at the exhibit. These are Brown & Williamson To-bacco Company, P. Lorillard & Com-pany and Philip Morris & Company, Ltd., Inc. Companion suppliers to the ciga-rette manufacturers at the show will be the Diamond Match Company, the Lion Match Company, Inc., Universal Match Company and the B-F-D di-vision of the Diamond Match Com-

profits, as 60 boxes of this new pocket size takes the same space as 40 boxes of the regular size."

Bottle beverage and sirup manufacturers will be on hand in force. Coca-Cola and Dr. Pepper will be prominent exhibitors. H. Baron & Company, Inc., will be dispensing its beverages including carbonated fruit and other drinks prepared from grape, root beer, lemon, lime, cherry and orange sirups.

Richardson Corporation will show root beer sirups ready for use in one-gallon cans and bottled root beer. Richardson will also supply sirup to other manufacturers having machines in operation machines in operation.

The Penn Syrup Corporation will display its sirups, extracts and emul-sions for use in dispensing machines.

### Candy Makers Aplenty

Candy Makers Aplenty Largest single group of suppliers having displays will be the candy manufacturers. These include Charms Company, Queen Anne Candy Com-pany; D. Goldberg, Inc.; Shotwell Manufacturing Company, James O. Welch Company, Paul F. Beich Com-pany, E. J. Brach & Sons; Walter H. Johnson Candy Company, Lamont, Corliss & Company, Fred W. Amend Company; Luden's, Inc., and the Sperry Candy Company. Other exhibitors will include Bow-

New Vending Match Diamond's B-F-D division will show "a pocket-size safety match de-Other exhibitors will include Bow-

# **BIZ ADVISERS NEED FAC Vending Put** In Bad Light

Business advisory groups agree with trade principles but lack proper info

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—That the true picture of America's fast-growing vending machine industry is not known to some top business advisory organizations became evident here last week with the appearance of an article in a Chicago daily newspaper warning veterans with terminal leave

article in a Chicago daily newspaper warning veterans with terminal leave pay to invest to beware of "vending machine swindlers." Article appearing in Friday's (5) issue of The Chicago Daily News, headed Slickers Out Gunning For Vets' Terminal Pay, quoted Kenneth Barnard, manager of the Chicago Better Business Bureau, as saying, "The vending machine business, which is being pushed strongly here now, has about reached the satura-tion point. The profitable locations are already taken."

### Little Recent Info

Inquiring about the publication of such an obviously false statement, *The Billboard* found that the bureau's files contained little recent informa-tion about the vending machine in-dustry and that officials of the organ-ination worm in concerned relationships ization were in general relatively uninformed as to its true scope. Rep-resentatives said that their statement Representatives said that their statement in *The Daily News* referred to small scale vending operations only, and not the industry as a whole. Small scale, they indicated, meant an op-erator of 10 or 20 penny venders. A. B. Johnston, assistant general manager of the bureau who usually handles inquiries about vending ma-chines from prospective operators.

handles inquiries about vending ma-chines from prospective operators, told *The Billboard* that the bureau has "no fight with any means of dis-tribution and certainly not with vending machines. "Our only objection," Johnston said, "is to misrepresentation by manufacturers' representatives as to the profit-making ability of their ma-chines." The bureau said that they had had

chines." The bureau said that they had had "several" complaints that vending machines failed to bring the return claimed for them by salesmen. How-ever, the only investigation report available was a 1946 report on a sin-(See Advisors Agree on page 113)

### N. Y. Firm Produces **Coin Steam Cabinet**

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—A coin-operated steam cabinet is now in pro-duction by King's Slenderizing Com-pany, according to May King, firm president. Cabinet has been tested for several months, will offer 30 min-utes of treatment for 50 cents, accept-ing quarters only.

In several information in the several interval of treatment for 50 cents, accept-ing quarters only. Firm's Brooklyn plant has been manufacturing non-coin-operated steam cabinets for over two years, selling thru franchised dealers. Dis-tributors will be appointed for the coin-operated model to sell to opera-tors, according to Philip M. Yurman, firm sales manager. Installation is planned in the coun-try's beauty salons, bath houses, country clubs, hotels and any other location that has a shower nearby. Coin steam cabinets will be especially welcomed by women who want to reduce, Yurman declares.

# Heat Wave, Big Supplies **Boom Soft Drink Vending**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.heat wave which extended into September's second week was the outstanding reason given by large and small soft drink vending machine operators here for gains up to 80 per cent in sales over the same period last year. Reports from most other sections of the country indicated a parallel national experience, and everywhere the biggest problem was to get the tremendous servicing job done in the face of a bad shortage of trained men.

A. Hardgrave, president of Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company of Chicago, said that volume for this label had in-creased even more than 80 per cent in many areas, and intimated that the increase here was very high. He at-tributed the gain in sales-thru the firm's venders as well as thru normal retail channels—to the greatly in-creased production schedule which followed sugar's decontrol, as well as

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- Marathon | that a comparison with last year's sales levels would not give a true picture of hot weather sales gains, since firm's production in 1946 was the greatly restricted by sugar controls. Comparing August and early Sep-tember sales this year with 1941 sales, he said, gave a truer picture and indicated a gain of more than 75 per cent. This spokesman pointed out that Coca-Cola had been fortunate in securing in advance substantial quantities of vending machines which enabled it to capitalize on unusual demand which happily coincided with increased production.

### **Typical Experience**

Typical experience of independent vending machine operations is that of United Beverage Company, which operates twin-flavor cup venders in theaters here, as well as in Dallas and Philadelphia. Max Rosenbaum, partner in the concern, set the company's to the phenomenal hot weather spell. An official of Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Chicago, Inc., declared He explained the increase as a two-

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ward of the Veterans' Adminis-tration Hospital here as part of the VA's program to help veterans who can't move around freely and enjoy the comforts of normal persons. The hospital treats tuberculosis cases, primarily.

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fold result of increased number of machines out, and the heat.

Vets Get Venders

13 .- A soft drink vending machine has been installed in each

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Sept.

Universal complaint, from bottlers with vender operations as well as from independent firms, was the dif-ficulty in getting enough trained servicemen to handle the rush on venders. As Rosenbaum pointed out, the limited number of good servicemen available were working up to 60-hour weeks to keep up with stocking and restocking of machines and to main-tain overstrained vending equipment. the fatigue of long work days And tended over a period of weeks to re-duce the efficiency of even experienced servicemen.

Pepsi-Cola vending machine operation here stressed the almost impossible task of employing and keeping enough trained servicemen. Hard-grave said that bottle vehders which normally required servicing only once a day have been regularly refilled twice and three times a day during the past few weeks. Service force managed to do the job only thru heavy overtime.

So long as boom sales continue, bottlers and operators were postponing their worries over costs and price problems. The downward trend in sirup prices continued, tho not so radically as immediately after the end of sugar rationing. Main threat of another upward swing in prices is seen in possible increases in sugar prices. Tied to the U. S. cost of living index, prices paid for Cuban sugar would naturally be expected to go up if the index continues its upward trend.

At least one soft drink firm, how-ever, suggested that the long-range trend in sugar prices would be downward because of increasing sugar production.

# **Chase Produces New Candy Bars**

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 13.--Chase Candy Company, which is already well established as a supplier of merchandise for candy vending machine operators, disclosed last week that it is

now manufacturing two new bars. New bars carry the names Chase's Whipped Cream and Chase's Chocolate Mint. Among the other products made by the firm that have gained wide acceptance with vender operators are Toasted Nut; Bob Cat; Hippo Peanut Bar; Candy Lemons; Chocolate Coconut Bar and Jelly Joys. Firm also made known that final

details on its comprehensive advertising program are now being rounded out. This campaign to bet-ter acquaint the public with Chase candy products calls for an expenditure of approximately \$1,250,000. Media to be used in the program, which will be national in scope, in-cludes radio, rotogravure and comic sections of newspapers in all leading cities, car cards and trade papers.

### New Auto Laundry in Ala.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Sept. 13. Recently opened for service is the Cloverdale Self-Service Laundry here. New firm is equipped with Bendix automatic washers.

# Johnson School **Builds Changer** Service Staff

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.-Johnson Fare Box Company here, in a move de-signed to expedite service and repairs on its vending machine products, this week enlisted the nation-wide group of servicemen belonging to its parent company, Bowser, Inc., as field con-sultants and parts men for Johnson

H. E. Forester, Johnson sales engi-neer, stated that in conjunction with this new service policy, Johnson Fare Box has undertaken to familiarize the Bowser men with the two prod-ucts concerned (Harris coin changers and the Dixie automatic cup dispens-ers manufactured by Johnson under free license) by means of five-day service schools held at the Johnson plant. The first such service school was conducted here this week.

### New Policy

Prior to this date, Forester said, Bowser servicemen were not author-ized or available to handle Johnson coin products. As a result of the service classes they will be able to offer expert advice and service at al-ready established service depots spotted across the country. Indication of their technical training and back-ground (aside from the fact that the average man has been with Bowser for 10 years) is the extent of their present service activities. These in-clude service work on all Bowser products, gasoline pumps, automatic can fillers, vacuum stills, industrial filtering systems, and other liquid control systems and measuring devices

Johnson's first service school, held September 8 thru 12, was conducted for 30 Bowser men from those parts for 30 Bowser men from those parts of the country where Johnson coin changers and cup dispensers are most widely used at present, namely Wash-ington, Detroit, Boston, Los Angeles, Philadelphia and New York. Future classes, not definitely scheduled as yet, will be held until the entire Bow-ser service organization has been ser service organization has been schooled in the function and opera-tion of Johnson coin equipment.

### Full Schedule

During the five-day school, instruction began at 9 a.m. daily and ended at 5 p.m., with one hour for lunch. Forester conducted classes and delivered lectures, as did C. F. Harris, in-ventor of the Harris coin changer. In addition to these lectures, movies and written tests rounded out the instruction. A special brochure prepared for the service school, issued to the class members, dealt with every component part of both changer and cup dispenser units.

Construction and operating details of all models of Johnson cup dispens-er mechanisms were treated; the seven ounce 400, 600, 1,000 cup soft drink units and also the six and eight-ounce hot drink units (coffee). Forester said that at the conclusion of the first service school, field ob-

servations would be conducted to de-termine if future schools should be kept to a five-day schedule or lengthened.

### **Sunshine Biscuits** Gets New K. C. Plant

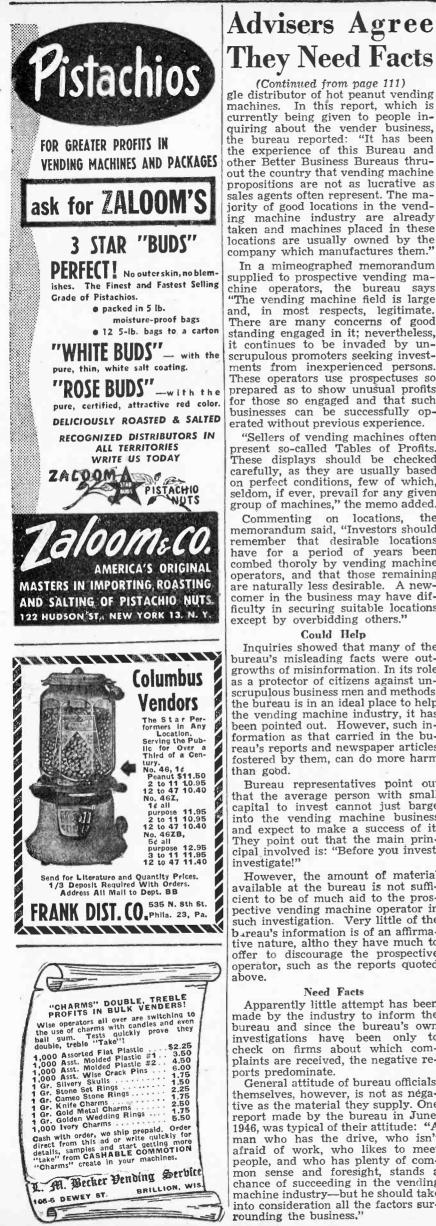
NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Construc-tion of a new plant in Kansas City, Mo., for Sunshine Biscuits, Inc., was announced this week by Hanford Main, firm president. New plant will be 1,250 feet at its greatest length and five stories high in the center, with east and west wings of three and two stories. Statler Manufacturing Company is

the manufacturer of vending ma-chines that will dispense Sunshine biscuits.

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# **They Need Facts** (Continued from page 111) gle distributor of hot peanut vending machines. In this report, which is currently being given to people in-quiring about the vender business, the bureau reported: "It has been the experience of this Bureau and

other Better Business Bureaus thruout the country that vending machine propositions are not as lucrative as sales agents often represent. The majority of good locations in the vending machine industry are already taken and machines placed in these locations are usually owned by the company which manufactures them."

In a mimeographed memorandum supplied to prospective vending ma-chine operators, the bureau says "The vending machine field is large The venting internal lead is large and, in most respects, legitimate. There are many concerns of good standing engaged in it; nevertheless, it continues to be invaded by unscrupulous promoters seeking investments from inexperienced persons. These operators use prospectives so prepared as to show unusual profits for those so engaged and that such businesses can be successfully op-erated without previous experience.

"Sellers of vending machines often present so-called Tables of Profits. These displays should be checked carefully, as they are usually based on perfect conditions, few of which, seldom, if ever, prevail for any given group of machines," the memo added. Commenting on locations, the memorandum said, "Investors should remember that desirable locations have for a period of years been combed thoroly by vending machine operators, and that those remaining are naturally less desirable. A new-comer in the business may have dif-ficulty in securing suitable locations except by overbidding others."

Could Help

Inquiries showed that many of the bureau's misleading facts were outgrowths of misinformation. In its role as a protector of citizens against unscrupulous business men and methods, the bureau is in an ideal place to help the vending machine industry, it has been pointed out. However, such in-formation as that carried in the bureau's reports and newspaper articles fostered by them, can do more harm

Bureau representatives point out that the average person with small capital to invest cannot just barge into the vending machine business and expect to make a success of it. They point out that the main prin-cipal involved is: "Before you invest, investigate!"

However, the amount of material available at the bureau is not suffi-cient to be of much aid to the pros-pective vending machine operator in such investigation. Very little of the bareau's information is of an affirmative nature, altho they have much to offer to discourage the prospective operator, such as the reports quoted

**Need Facts** 

Apparently little attempt has been made by the industry to inform the bureau and since the bureau's own investigations have been only to check on firms about which com-plaints are received, the negative re-

General attitude of bureau officials, General attitude of bureau officials, themselves, however, is not as néga-tive as the material they supply. One report made by the bureau in June, 1946, was typical of their attitude: "A man who has the drive, who isn't afraid of work, who likes to meet people, and who has plenty of com-mon sense and foresight, stands a chance of succeeding in the vending machine industry—but he should take into consideration all the factors surinto consideration all the factors sur-rounding the business."



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American Kids in **Germany** Get Ice **Cream** Education

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—Children of personnel serving with the American occupation forces in Germany, tho occupation forces in Germany, tho yearning for the snacks and refresh-ments offered by U. S. venders, are keeping up with at least one big phase of the so-called "American way of life." The National Dairy Council re-ports that it has just serviced 50 schools in the American zone of occupied Germany, at the request of the director of American education in that zone with dairy council educa-

that zone, with dairy council educational materials.

# U. S. Ice Cream Output **Drops From 1946 Record**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13. — Ice cream output in the United States for the first seven months of 1947 totaled 375,800,000 gallons, the Department of Agriculture announced last week. Figure represents a decrease of 13 per cent for a comparative period last year but is also 49 per cent higher than the January thru July averages on record for the 1941-'45 span.

During July of this year ice cream production was estimated at 73,575,-000 gallons or 10 per cent over the preceding month, altho a comparison with July, 1946, totals showed that output fell off 19 per cent. Averages

13. - Ice | for the 1941-'45 July periods were surpassed by almost 27 per cent.

All sections of the country except the South Atlantic showed seasonal production gains, with the nation as a whole averaging a 10 per cent rise. Last year, the seasonal gain was 14 per cent, while the average for June-July seasonal gains as established in 1941-'45, are 11 per cent.

Breakdown by regions concerning seasonal gains showed that the Mountain States, an area that enjoyed higher than usual July temperatures, made the largest increase, 20 per cent. Second largest sectional gainer was the West North Central area with 19 per cent, an increase highly influ-enced by the 38 per cent gain in North and South Dakota. In the North Atlantic States, seasonal pro-duction hike averaged 13 per cent, with New York alone gaining 15 per cent, while the other bellwether for the area, Pennsylvania, upped output 4 per cent, hindered by subnormal July weather.

A report of the East North Central A report of the East North Central group indicated that Wisconsin's high of 17 per cent increase in the latest June-July seasonal gains was tem-pered by Ohio's 1 per cent, resulting in an 8 per cent average for the area. Remaining areas reporting were the Pacific States, 7 per cent average gain; South Central States, average gain of 6 per cent despite no gains for Tennessee and Texas plus a 1 per cent output drop by Louisiana, and the South Atlantic area, where pro-duction was termed equal to last year.

# **Survey Europe Coin Machine Possibilities**

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 13. minded vending machine manufac-turers will soon be able to better evaluate the vast potential that European countries hold for the future as a result of a survey now in progress under the direction of Fred C. Steffens, vice-president and gen-eral manager of National Slug Re-jectors, Inc., it was announced here last week by the firm.

ast week by the firm. Steffens, who left for England via plane August 17, is currently in Germany where he is personally supervising the study of vending possibilities in both the American and British zones. The trip is sec-ond of its kind made by Steffens, the first one having been made to the first one having been made to the Scandinavian countries during the spring of this year.

spring of this year. During his stay in Germany, Stef-fens already has attended the first post-war trade fair, held in the British zone at Hannover August 25 thru September 7. Purpose of this meet was to better acquaint British and American firms with German merchandise, in order that exchange funds might be acquired to help de-fray Western zone upkeep, at present costing both British and American taxpayers millions yearly. One of the main points to be

One of the main points to be brought out in Steffens' survey will be additional information regarding the safety factors of automatic mer-chandising in European countries and the possible introduction of machines equipped for multiple coin handling in foreign nations, two points which have already proved to be prime problems for American manufac-turers. **Experts Say Silent PopcornBagCostly** 

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CHICAGO, Sept. 13 .- Much publicized noiseless popcorn bag now in use in San Francisco theaters (The cized noiseless popcorn Billboard, Sept. 6) is reported by local popcorn industry officials to be too high priced for general industry use. nign priced for general industry use. The bag, which is reportedly boom-ing popcorn sales in six San Fran-cisco theater locations, was the result of a surplus sale of 300,000 plastic bags by an Oakland, Calif., firm which originally designed them for packaging frozen orange juice.

### Term Bag Costly

Spokesman for the National Asso-ciation of Popcorn Manufacturers (NAPM) said that investigations by his organization showed that the cost of such bags by direct buying would be about three and a half cents each, much too high for general popcorn use

use. Bags were purchased by Irving M. Levin, district manager of San Fran-cisco Theatres, Inc., who reports that, "All of our patrons are happy since we put them in. The boxoffice is way up. Popcorn sales have doubled. The bags cost seven times more than the noisy ones but it's well worth it." Levin introduced the bags with a publicity campaign that hit front nages across the country.

pages across the country.

# **Popcorn** Meet **Forms Mailed**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13. — Advance registration forms for the National Association of Popcorn Manufacturers (NAPM) convention to be held at Hotel Sherman here, November 18-20, were mailed out this week to repre-

A. J. Villiesse, executive secretary of the association, estimates that some 400 popcorn men will attend the three-day meet, many having registered ahead of schedule to be assured of hotel accommodations.

Villiesse reports that several manufacturers of popcorn vending ma-chines will have exhibits at the con-vention as well as many suppliers who serve the vending machine operators.

### Ala. City Repeals Levy on Soft Drinks

CULLMAN, Ala., Sept. 13 .- The new 1-cent tax on bottled soft drinks provided for by a new ordinance, was repealed by the city council on

September 3. Bottlers here had vigorously op-posed the tax, pointing out that they would have to charge 6 cents a bottle for drinks.

### New N. C. Auto Laundry

RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 13.—John Vernon, Thomas Carter and Flossie Boswell, of Burlington, N. C., have been issued a charter to operate a self-service laundry in Burlington, the secretary of state announced here this work this week.

Laundry, known as U-Laundry-It, Inc., has been authorized a capital stock of \$100,000.





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### **Now in Production**

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 13.—Doug-lass Manufacturing Company, Inc., this city, disclosed this week complete details of three types of coin changers, one of which is now in production, as well as of the organization of the company.

company. Three units, including electric and mechanical changers to be built into vending machines and a straight changer to be operated as an inde-pendent unit, are based on patents and patent applications for which Douglass has acquired exclusive li-cense from the American Coin Changer Corporation. Firm announced that adaptation of

Firm announced that adaptation of the basic changer unit to make change, including pennies to cover such machines as cigarette and frozen food venders, is contemplated.

### List Officials

List Officials Company was incorporated in March of this year, with Dana C. Douglass Jr., of Portland, as presi-dent and treasurer. Other officials in-clude Eugene B. Sanger Jr., assistant treasurer; Laurence Channing, secre-tary; Robert T. Gorrie, sales manager, and Ernest E. York, chief engineer. Minot Kendall & Company, Inc., a Boston investment banking firm, un-dertook public underwriting of the company's stock, which was com-pleted soon after incorporation. Meanwhile, Douglass said, the firm completed field testing of the me-chanical model. This is the model which already is in production, and materials currently are presenting no problem, according to Douglass. Describe Changer

### **Describe** Changer

Describe Changer Electric changer is equipped with slug rejector, and as a component of a vender vends the product and four nickels for a quarter—or the product and one nickel and a dime. Nickel change supply tube has a capacity of 60 nickels which is automatically refilled as customers insert nickels refilled as customers insert nickels, It has an automatic lock-up device which returns dimes and quarters to customers when the nickel supply becomes too small to make correct change. Turning of only one screw is necessary to mount or dismount the changer when installed in an the changer when installed in an electric vending machine, according to Douglass. Frame of unit is nickel plated. Measurements are 15 inches high, 5¼ inches wide and 2¾ inches deep.

Douglass pointed out that the elec-tric changer was so constructed that a vending machine manufacturer has a choice in locating his coin box, since the changer will discharge the ac-cepted quarters, dimes and overflow of nickels to the side of the changer or directly below and/or behind it.

The mechanical changer, designed for manually operated venders, will fit inside pre-war machines as well as current models, said Douglass. Like the electric unit, it has a 60-nickel change supply, which is automatically refilled, and has the automatic lock-up feature. Slug rejector is incorpore up feature. Slug rejector is incorporated.

The straight changer, designed for wall, post or stand mounting, accepts quarters and dimes, returning change in nickels. Unit has a capacity of \$70 in nickels, with a heavy steel jacket encasing the change supply as an anti-theft protection. Douglass stressed the silence of operation, ab-

sence of levers. He said that all three units would be shown at the National Automatic Merchandising Association's conven-tion at the Palmer House in Chicago in December.



Midwest for more than a month has been a boon to penny scale operations, but collections in this area still are down nearly 15 per cent below last year, according to Harper But-ton, district manager for the Peerless Weighing and Vending Corporation.

"I know it is heresay out in this country, but in this business we don't care if it stays hot until Christ-mas" Button laughed. "Hot weather is the best thing in the world for our business because the minute people business because the minute people start putting on overcoats they stop getting weighed as often. Most of them hate to take off their coats to get weighed, and they don't seem to be much interested in what they weigh with them on."

### Ticket Scales Lead

Button reported that ticket scales are the most popular in this area. Next are those returning the penny either on a guess of the correct weight or the coin falling into a return chute. Third are the tall up-rights, and in last place the low straight scales. Both the latter do best in outdoor locations near bus stops, he said. Peerless is scheduled to introduce

a new model of its ticket scale soon, he said.

he said. Cleanliness of both cabinet and mechanism are the most important items in successful scale operation, he said. "It may seem odd but in the scale business, despite the fact you are not selling food or anything fresh, a shiny scale will do considerably more business, sometimes 25 to 30 per cent more."

Estimate is that there are approx-imately 1,000 penny scales on loca-tion in the Greater Kansas City area.

# Ark. Attorney **General Rules On Sales Tax**

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Sept .13.—At-torney General Guy Williams has ruled that merchants selling only 5 and 10-cent articles, altho they do not collect sales tax from their cus-tomers, are required to pay 2 per cent of their gross receipts as sales tax to the State tax to the State.

The attorney general pointed out that the revenue commissioner is given discretionary power in setting up tax brackets, and that no tax has been prescribed for articles whose price range is between 12 price range is between 1 and 13

price range is between 1 and 15 cents. "It seems that merchants whose sales consist only of 5 and 10-cent sales are caught between the devil and the deep blue sea, wherein on one hand they are required to pay the tax and on the other hand there is no provision whereby they can collect no provision whereby they can collect it from their customers," the opinion said.

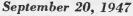
Carolina Popcorn Chartered RALEIGH, N. C., Sept. 13.—Secre-tary of State here has issued a char-ter to the Carolina Popcorn Company, Inc., at Bethel, to deal in the popcorn business and its attendant supplies. Authorized capital stock: \$100,000, of which \$10,000 is subscribed by L. N. James, Matt James and Caddy James, all of Bethel.

### **Racine Launderette Opens**

RACINE, Wis., Sept. 13.—Racine, Wis., housewives got their first auto--Racine, matic laundry recently when a war veteran, George Kirsch, opened a Launderette here.



FOR SALE—SCALES 14 SHEFFLER DE LUXE SCALES, \$35.00 EA. Scales ready to operate on locations. Terms: Cash with order, F. O. B. Austin. WRIGHT STYLES 108 East 5th St., Austin, Texas



# Carolina City Plans **New Amusement Tax**

GREENSBORO, N. C., Sept. 13.— A city amusement tax similar to that levied by the federal government looms as possibility, Councilman Tom Brown disclosed here this week. Pro-posed tax would hit at such typical cain machine locations as theaters. coin machine locations as theaters, roller-skating rinks and similar establishments that charge an admission price.

Montgomery S. Hill, president of North Carlonia Theaters, Inc., termed such a levy discriminatory, declaring that theaters as well as other amuse-ment units, "are carrying more than their share. We pay a 20 per cent federal tax, plus every other tax any corporation pays. Besides that, li-censes for motion picture theater operation are higher than any other State license," he stated.

Hill also stated that one of his main objections to the proposed levy was that it discriminates against amusement firms, since no comparable taxes can be obtained from other corporations.

Brown said that other amusement and sport units will be heard on the measure at a date to be announced soon.

### **Howell Elected New President of NTTA**

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 13.—New president of the National Tobacco Tax Association (NTTA), elected during its 21st annual convention which ended Wednesday (10), is Thomas H. Howell, South Carolina tax commissioner.

Howell succeeds W. H. Beachy, deputy secretary of Pennsylvania's revenue department. Elected NTTA vice-president was Mary G. Krone, New York's miscellaneous taxes di-rector. New secretary is Francis Gil-lar existent supervisor of the Illinois len, assistant supervisor of the Illinois cigarette revenue division.

W. E. Chase, director of Maine's W. E. Chase, director of mane s cigarette tax division, was appointed to the executive committee, as was James T. Vocelle, director of the Florida beverage department.

### Neb. Estimates Aug. Cig Tax at \$350,000

OMAHA, Sept. 13.-Collections for OMAHA, Sept. 13.—Collections for August, second month of operation of Nebraska's new cigarette tax levy, will return \$350,000 to the State, ac-cording to the estimate of R. H. Cred-ick, chief of the Cigarette Tax Divi-sion. Credick reported that revenue sion. Credick reported that revenue for July, first month of collections, amounted to \$506,000 including \$120,-000 for stamping retailers' stock.

Officials believe the State cigarette tax will eventually bring in an aver-age of \$400,000 per month. Estimated monthly revenue given by the State Legislature was \$360,000.

Credick said that jobbers report increases in sales over those of last year. Roll-your-own sales have increased about one-half of 1 per cent, it was stated.

### Vend-It Chartered in Ga.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Sept. 13 .--- Vend-SAVAINIAH, Ga., Sept. 13.—vend-It Company here was granted a char-ter Monday (8) by Judge David S. At-kinson of Superior Court. Purpose of the firm, as stated in its petition for charter, is to operate vending ma-chines in Chatham County.

Capital stock was listed as \$10,000, consisting of 100 shares at \$100 each, with authority to increase the stock to \$50,000. Petitioners listed were Raymond A. Forker, Victor B. Jenk-ins Jr. and George E. Oliver.

# Vender Distributing Company Planned by Wilson, Pretzel

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—A new vend-ing machine distributing company, to be known as Commodity Vendors, Inc., filed application for incorporation papers here Monday (8), with Ken Wilson as president and Howard Pretzel as vice-president. Both Wil-son, who owned and headed Amal-gamated Distributors here, and Pret-zel, until his resignation this week as vice-president of the Coin Machine Acceptance Corporation, are well

Acceptance Corporation, are wern known to the trade. Wilson, announcing formation of the new firm, said that he and Pret-zel are now seeking space for offices and that Commodity Vendors would probably onen an office in New York probably open an office in New York

in the future. The new company, Wilson said, was formed to distribute automatic mer-chandising equipment exclusively. As Aspirin Machine Company, Fort

Wilson said that he and Pretzel will wilson said that he and Pretzel will announce acquisition of other vending lines within the next 60 days. Prior to forming Commodity Vend-ors, Wilson owned and actively

ors, Wilson owned and actively headed Amalgamated Distributors in Chicago. Amalgamated, which was dissolved recently, handled the Inter-national Mutoscope line and generally specialized in all types of arcade equipment

equipment. Pretzel was with Coin Machine Ac-ceptance Corporation from 1943 until his resignation. Prior to that he was with the parent organization, Amer-ican Business Credit Corporation,

with the parent organization, Amer-ican Business Credit Corporation, New York. The Lewel aspirin vender, which will launch the new company, has been out on operations since October, 1946, Wilson said. It sells three-to-a-package aspirin for a nickel and is designed for installation in office

War Dept. Honors

**Portland** Coinman

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 13.—Jack R. Moore, owner of Jack R. Moore Company here, was honored recently

by the War Department when he was awarded the Exceptional Service

Medal for outstanding achievement in World War II.

buildings, industrial plants, transpor-tation centers and similar locations. Both the aspirin product and the package comply with all federal reg-ulations regarding the sale of such commodities, Wilson said. In those 23 States where Com-modity Vendors is distributor, sub-distributors will be appointed and each will be given an entire State. The sub-distributors will actually handle sales to operators. Commodity Vendors will supply operators of the equipment with the three-to-a-pack aspirin. aspirin.

# New Cigarette Made By P. Lorillard Co. NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—A new cig-arette manufactured by P. Lorillard Company is now being distributed in

Buffalo, N. Y., and Indianapolis, Ind., firm officials revealed last week. New brand is called Embassy, and is a king-size cigarette selling at the

Plans for immediate nationwide sale of the brand have not been announced as yet.

Vendi-Freeze Firm. Philly, Headed by Kendig and Rogove

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 13.—For-mation of the Vendi-Freeze Distrib-uting Corporation here is well under way, according to James E. Kendig, president of the new firm. Organization last month was appointed dis-tributor for the Vendi-Freeze ice cream bar vending machine in 27 Eastern and Midwest States and the District of Columbia.

Both Kendig and Samuel Rogove, treasurer of the new concern, have business and engineering back-grounds. Kendig is an industrial engineer and a graduate of the General Motors Institute of Technology. For the past six years he has been active as sales engineer for Acme Alumi-num Alloys, Inc. Rogove is a gradu-ate of the University of Pennsyl-vania and has been connected with the National Cash Register for some time besides esting as a well estate time, besides acting as a real estate operator.

More Meters for Fort Worth FORT WORTH, Sept. 13. — City' council here ordered 400 additional parking meters installed last week at the outer edge of the downtown business district. Installation is esti-mated at \$23,460.



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Vender, will be held by A. J. Monaco Vending Machine Company, this city, at the Pick-Ohio Hotel in Youngs-town, O., September 25, 26 and 27. A. J. Monaco, firm head, is distribu-tor in Pennsylvania and Ohio for the machine which is being marketed namachine, which is being marketed na-tionally by Snively Vending and Sales, Winter Haven, Florida.

Sales, Winter Haven, Florida. Vender to be shown is the third model built for Snively by the Amer-ican Machinery Company at Orlando, Fla., and invented by Robert W. Johnson. Latest version of the vend-er, which was first shown publicly last week in Winter Haven, vends a six-ounce blend of orange and grape-fruit juice for a nickel is orguipped six-ounce blend of orange and grape-fruit juice for a nickel, is equipped with coin changer handling nickels, dimes and quarters. It utilizes a bulk vending principle, dispensing drinks in paper cups from large, 46-ounce cans, which are automatically opened inside the machine. Vender has a capacity of 31 of the large cans. Monaco, like other distributors for the Snively organization, will sell the machines for the vending of products developed by Snively. While the ma-chine is adapted to vending other types of juices, it is understood that it will be marketed for the present solely as a unit for the blended orange and grapefruit.

At the same Youngstown showing, Monaco will display two other pieces of equipment, both manual juice dis-pensers. One will be a three-flavor unit designed to dispense orange juice, grapefruit juice and a blend of orange and grapefruit, called the A. J. Monaco Twin Dispenser. The other, A. J. Monaco Counter Dispenser, will pensers. One will be a three-flavor unit designed to dispense orange juice, grapefruit juice and a blend of orange and grapefruit, called the A. J. Monaco Twin Dispenser. The other, A. J. Monaco Counter Dispenser, will sell either orange or grapefruit juice.

# American Chicle Sells Locations **On Vender Merit**

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13. SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 13. — American Chicle Company is cur-rently using a specially prepared brochure designed to interest indus-trial plants in chewing gum and gum vending machines, according to F. S. Kelly, manager of the San Francisco sales division. Kelly states that, after finding that

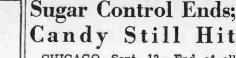
Kelly states that, after finding that a number of industries, for one rea-son or another, have declined "the advantages of vending machine serv-ice in their buildings" American Chicle made up the folder which carries detailed points enumerating advantages to employer when em-ployees use chewing gum while working. Kelly says the folder has proven useful in reducing and elim-inating this opposition. inating this opposition.

### Lists Five Points

Lists Five Points Brochure, which carries on its cover the statement "Chewing gum helps employees to peform more efficiently," on its two inside pages lists five points to substantiate the claim. These points each carry a head in red type and follow thru with further detail. Under a "Do You Know That..." heading, main points are: (1) employees chewing gum exert more energy; (2) em-ployees experience less tension; (3) employees suffer less fatigue; (3) ememployees suffer less fatigue; (3) em-ployees work faster, and (5) em-ployees concentrate their efforts. Data carried in the booklet is based

on the 90-page report of Professor Harry L. Hollingworth, of Columbia University, titled "Psycho-Dynamics of Chewing," a theme presented to the New York Academy of Sciences in 1930 in 1939.

### **Appointments at Laundry**



CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—End of all sugar inventory controls, which were established under the Sugar Control Extension Act of 1947, has been announced by the Department of Agri-culture, effective August 30.

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Confection manufacturers say that such a move is not likely to have any effect upon the production of candy and other sugar-using products at all. Other supplies are now con-trolling factors, they say.

Meanwhile, it was announced by the Department of Commerce this week that the Cuban sugar crop this year is expected to set an all-time production record. Estimates place the crop at 6,450,000 short tons of raw sugar, which is 10 per cent more than the previous record established in 1925 and 44 per cent more than in 1946.

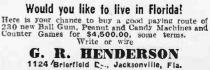
Another announcement made this Another announcement made this week was not so encouraging. Sup-pliers of chocolate coatings an-nounced a 4 cents per pound price increase. This, added to the already high cost of materials going into candy bars, hits hard at manufac-turers who are trying to maintain present wholesale and retail price levels.

Spokesmen for candy manufacspokesmen for candy manufac-turers said that most of their group will try to keep prices down by in-creased production, but if material costs continue to rise this may not be possible.

### **Texas Cig Tax Take Rises**

AUSTIN, Tex., Sept. 13 .- State tax receipts from cigarettes during Au-gust yielded \$1,845,599, which repre-sented a \$250,000 drop from receipts in July but a rise of \$64,765 over August, 1946.





FATHER AND SON discuss a knotty production problem at C-Eight Laboratories, Newark, N. J. Pictured above are Mario Caruso (left), firm president, and Anthony M. Caruso, plant manager. Hovering in the background is the 100ton power press which is being used with new tools to replace 88 previous op-erations in the manufacture of the company's electric cigarette venders.



PRICES From 1 to 11.....each \$11,25

From 12 to 49.....each 10.75 From 50 up.....each 10.50 BRACKET, If Desired. Each ..... \$ .55 FLOOR STAND, If Desired. Each ... 4.00

MERCHANDISE

SPECIALS 140 Count Bubble Ball Gum 38¢ per lb.

170 Count Bubble Ball Gum 43¢ per lb. Minimum 100 lbs.

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# Plan Chicago Show **Of New Candy Movie**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13. — Preview showing of Candy and Nutrition, educational movie on confections, for the Chicago area will be held at the Furniture Club of America September 22.

Movie, prepared by the Council on Candy of the National Confectioners' Association (NCA), is slated for future extensive showings in schools and before civic and church groups. Heading the committee for the Chi-cago showing is E. W. Walters, of King Cole Candies, Inc. A dinner

will precede the showing.

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 60.00

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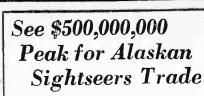
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 READY FOR LOCATION HARRIS VENDING 7 N. Park Ave. Philadeiphia

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CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—"Alaska has some of the biggest tourist potentialities of any section of this hemisphere, but it needs capital to exploit them," Jean Wilson pointed out in one of a special series of articles on the com-

special series of articles on the com-mercial potentialities of Alaska ap-pearing in *The Chicago Journal* of *Commerce* this week. A study made of Alaskan tourist possibilities by Alaska Airlines con-cludes that such an industry could easily axceed \$25,000,000 a year for the first 10 years and eventually be-come \$400,000,000 to \$500,000,000 yearly industry, the article stated. Biggest bottlenecks at present are

Biggest bottlenecks at present are lack of hotels, developed transporta-tion facilities, and other tourist ac-commodations, the article indicated. It was also pointed out that, despite the fact practically no housing available this summer, about 14,000 tourists visited the Anchorage area alone, and literally thousands were turned away by the airlines and steamship companies because of lack of accommodations in Alaska.

### **Airlines** Predominate

Airlines, at present, seem to be the Airlines, at present, seem to be the most rapidly developing form of transportation both for passengers and freight. High rates of Seattle steamship lines were credited with being one of the biggest factors in holding up further development of Alaska's commercial enterprises. Big-gest industry today is fishing and can-

Alaska's commercial enterprises, big-gest industry today is fishing and can-ning, which does a \$60,000,000 busi-ness yearly. Much of their future, Alaskans be-Much of their future, Alaskans be-lieves, hinges on the results of in-vestigations being conducted by con-gressional committees. Should these investigations result in favorable re-ports, it is belived that there is a good possibility that Alaska will be-come the 49th or 50th State, giving it representation in Congress and many there dynamics.

representation in Congress and many other advantages. Indications are that the coin ma-chine industry in Alaska is under-developed and that much of its future hinges upon the development of the Alaskan tourist trade.

Local coin firms report that they have done business with various Alaskan firms, most of whom are in the coin business as a sideline. Most Alaskan business they core with the Alaskan business, they say, was be-fore the war.

### **Okla.** Tax Receipts Level Off From '46

OKLAHOMA CITY, Sept. 13.— Oklahoma tax collections for August totalled \$8,896,546, or .8 per cent above the \$8,825,642 collected during the same month in 1946, the State tax commissioner announced last week.

Apparent leveling off process now in progress did not prevent 1947 rein progress did not prevent 1947 re-turns for the first two months of the current fiscal year from surpassing by almost \$2,000,000 collections re-corded in the corresponding period for last year.

corded in the corresponding period for last year. A report of August, 1947, tax col-lections on items of particular interest to coinmen follows: Cigarettes, \$678,-937; beverages, \$522,270; sales tax, \$2,391,212; gross production, \$981,169; corporation licenses, \$687,219, and income tax, \$331,841.

Ark. Cig Tax Returns Off LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Sept. 13.— State cigarette tax collections for the month of August showed a decrease from those of same month in 1946, State Revenue Department reported last week. last week.

August, 1947, revenue totaled \$502,-416.99 as compared with \$503,958.91 collected for a similar period a year ago.

VENDOR VALUES St. Paul Plans 1c City Cig Tax ST. PAUL, Sept. 13 .- The longdreaded ordinance levying a 1-cent municipal tax on all cigarettes sold municipal tax on all cigarettes sold in St. Paul was introduced into the St. Paul city council Thursday (11). Remembering only too well what happened to the proposed amusement admissions and soft drink proposals, which were tabled after wide pro-test, all the councilmen appended their signature to the cigarette levy to show a stand of unanimity on the proposal proposal.

If levied, the new tax would be in addition to the 7-cent federal inin addition to the 7-cent federal in-ternal revenue tax and the new 3-cent State tax, bringing the total assessment in St. Paul to 11 cents. Cigarettes now sell, both thru ven-ders and over the counter at prices varying from 18 cents to 20 cents. Machines getting 18 cents or 19 cents undoubtedly will go to 20 cents if the new tax is imposed, but those already getting 20 cents will be unable to do much about passing the assessment on to their patrons because of the difficulty of pennying packs. Special License

### **Special License**

The proposed ordinance would re-quire distributors to obtain special St. Paul licenses to sell to dealers. The State already requires such per-The State already requires such per-mits, \$100 for jobbers and \$12 for sub-jobbers, both on an annual basis. The cigarette levy became "fair game" when several councilmen charged that dealers jumped the wise of cigarettes 5 cents per pack

price of cigarettes 5 cents per pack when the new State tax went into effect July 1. As it is, St. Paul will get a share of the State levy, one-third of which is to be distributed among Minnesota municipalities. The State tax in August brought a total revenue of \$613,929, swelling that fund to \$1,644,844 for the first two months of its existence. The proposed St. Paul ordinance will require affixing of special tax stamps to each pack. price of cigarettes 5 cents per pack

stamps to each pack.

Machine To Vend

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# Tavern Men Nix Juke Ownership

# See Operation **Too Expensive**

Music not our business, say tavern owners-leave it to qualified operator

(Editor's note: Following up last week's article and editorial on the current increase in direct sales of juke baxes to locations, The Billboard presents here the viewpoint of the location owner himself on this subject.)

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—The loca-tion-owned juke box was voted down by Chicago tavern owners this week when they were surveyed by The Billboard for their opinion of the operator-owned versus the location-

owned machine. Brought out during the survey, which included spot checks on over which included spot checks on over 50 taverns in the city and suburbs, was the fact that not one of the taverns contacted reported being recently approached by an individual or firm offering to sell them a ma-chine. Of the 50, only two were found to own their own juke boxes and one had owned its own machine but after a short period had called in an operator to take over. an operator to take over. The two taverns owning juke boxes

The two taverns owning juke boxes were obviously in the marginal or "red" group of locations. Both had long ago lost most of their play-ap-peal. And of these two, one ad-mitted that self-operation was a los-ing proposition for any tavernman, who could not make repairs on his music equipment; who had installed music equipment; who had installed his own machine, even then a used one, 10 years ago, stated that if it were not for the fact that he was an were not for the fact that he was an ex-radio serviceman, he would not think of owning his own juke box. The second tavern-juke owner stated he had operated his own ma-chine for the past eight years and ad-mitted that many of his patrons voiced objections to the out-of-date equipment. equipment.

Problem, Not Profit Several tavern owners answered Several tavern owners answered that when tavern juke-ownership first occured to them they thought it a good idea. Later, after analysing the complexities of such ownership, they decided it would turn out to "be a problem instead of a profit." Frank Ignatius and Pete Waic-hunes, owners of the Crystal Lounge, Melrose Park, Ill., stated that they "couldn't profitably mix music busi-ness with the tavern business. Why should we trouble ourselves with

should we trouble ourselves with record buying and selection, repairs, and the other thousand and one incidentals that make for good juke operation?" Music engineering be-longs to the man best qualified to handle it—the music operator, they said. "We know the trouble the juke operator would have stepping cold into the tavern business—we'd encounter the same difficulties try-ing to run our own juke."

Not Qualified Theme of the average tavern owner seemed to be that "he was not will-ing or qualified" to take over opera-tion of a juke box. Summed up, the answers of tavern owners scored the following as high points against the following as high-points against their ownership of juke boxes: 1. Responsibility of servicing juke;

(See Tavern Operators on page 126)



DOOR PRIZE WINNER, Michael Sweeney, is presented with a radio by Harry Schneider, of the Atlantic New York Corporation during the annual outing of the United Restaurant Liquor Dealers of Manhattan. Event held at Rye, N. Y., was well attended by location owners and coinmen.

# Packard Hits Full Scale **Production on New Phono**

INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 13.—Pack-ard Manufacturing Corporation here announced this week that they are in full production with their new Man--Packhattan phonograph and the complete Packard Pla-Mor music line.

Full production began September 1 after a successful test run of their revised assembly line during July and August. About 500 employees are now at work producing Packard prod-ucts, plant officials said. Premiere showings of the Packard

Premiere showings of the Packard Manhattan, which has been adver-tised as "the most luxurious, highest priced commercial phonograph made," are reaching completion with record crowds having attended special dis-plays at distributors thruout the United States. Next scheduled show-ing is at the Both Nevely Company ing is at the Roth Novelty Company in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., September 19-20.

Manhattans, Packard officials said, are now on location in many parts of the country, but it will be several months before production can cope with the existing backlog of orders.

### **Describes** Features

Homer E. Capehart, chairman of the Packard board, in pointing out several of the leading features of the Manhattan said: "Behind the luxuri-ous design of the Manhattan lies its true qualities—engineering develop-ments that mean quality construc-tion, dependable performance and the last word in convenience for any op-erator." Capehart stressed the point erator." Capehart stressed the point that the new phonograph had been designed and engineered for operators.

Manhattan incorporates the Packard selector used in their wall boxes, with a 24-record selection. Single coin chute handles 5, 10 and 25-cent play. Selector and chute are at eye level level.

Records are "stacked" horizontally

in order to protect them against dust, dirt, grit and grease. Special Pack-ard changer is described as on a "floating mount." Distributors, in exhibiting the new phonograph, point to the ease with which it may be serviced as one of its main features.

Interior of the cabinet is so designed, they say, so that every part is within easy access and important elements can be removed by loosening thumb nuts.

### List Distributors

Also released this week was a com-plete list of Packard distributors. These are:

These are: Alpha Distributing Co., Hollywood; American Distributing Coin Co., Miami Beach; Amusu Novelty Co., Spartanburg, S. C.; Angott Sales Co., Detroit; Angott Sales Co., Saginaw, Mich.; Automatic Amusement Co., Evansville, Ind.; Binco Music Co., Fort Wayne, Ind.; Cade Distributing Co., Philadelphia; Calvert Novelty Co., Baltimore; Capitol Pla-Mor Dis-tributing Co., Columbus; Coin Ma-chine Distributing Co. of Kentucky, Louisville. Louisville.

Louisville. Joseph Eisen & Sons, New York; Emery Music Co., Spokane; Frankel Distributing Co., Rock Island, Ill.; Frankel Distributing Co., Des Moines; Frankel Distributing Co., Omaha; Frankel Distributing Co., Comparison of Lund's daily grams. K. C. Ops Report Disk Price R KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. Juke box operators here said had been notified by distributou three different records that whol Denver.

Albuquerque Distributing Co., Al-buquerque, N. M.; Ketchersid Dis-tributing Co., Boise; Kleartone Dis-tributing Co., Portland; Lawrence Novelty Co., Montreal, Quebec; Louisi-(Sag Backard Hitt or page 128)

(See Packard Hits on page 128)

# Rock-Ola Man, **Training Aids To Vet School**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13. — Rock-Ola Manufacturing Corporation will send its perfected visual aid training equipment and a guest instructor to the National Association of Amuse-ment Machine Owners (NAAMO) sponsored Veteran Coin Machine Me-chanic Training School for instruc-tion on September 24 and 25, accord-ing to an announcement this week by J. P. Cox, firm executive. The NAAMO school is being held in the Manhattan Trades Center in New York. York.

York. F. McKim Smith, NAAMO presi-dent, has stated that the dates ware assigned to Rock-Ola in September in order to bring this new form of in-struction before the veterans as soon as possible. The New York City Board of Education, also a sponsor of the school along with the Veterans' Ad-ministration, has a greed with NAAMO that the visual training method should be extended in scope for the next session that begins in November, hence Smith wants Rock-November, hence Smith wants Rock-Ola to demonstrate its equipment as an example of what can be done.

Original dates set for Rock-Ola, October 16 and 17, will be used in-stead by Firestone Enterprises, Brooklyn coin machine manufacturing firm. Firestone was originally scheduled for the September dates now being used by Rock-Ola.

### **Cleveland Hit Tune Party Takes to Air**

CLEVELAND, Sept. 13 .- Entering a new phase of its hit tune promo-tion, the Cleveland Phonograph Mer-chants' Association (CPMA) an-nounced this week that the September Hit Tune Party will be pre-sented as a radio program Sunday (14) over Station WJMO from 4:05 p.m. to 5 p.m. Howie Lund, well-known local disk jogkow will berdle the

disk jockey, will handle the pro-gram. In this capacity he will intro-duce the latest unreleased records, prior to which Lund will have invited the radio audience to select the song they favor as the hit tune of the month for October. Selection receiv-ing the most votes will then be placed on the No. 1 spot of 3,000 juke boxes thruout Cleveland during October.

thruout Cleveland during October. As a build-up to the coming event, Lund has announced the party de-tails on his daily programs all during the past week, a fact which is ex-pected to attract an unusually large listening audience. Results of the radio vote will be announced next week on one of Lund's daily pro-grams.

# **Disk Price Rise**

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 13.— Juke box operators here said they had been notified by distributors of three different records that wholesale prices have been increased 6 to 10 cents

Labels reported boosting prices were Federal, Victor and Capitol. Prices were increased from 39 cents to 45 and 49 cents, they said.

### Williams in L. A.

Tex Williams, currently riding on the wave of popularity created by his Smoke! Smoke! Smoke! seller for Capitol, is being sold for \$5,000 per week for theater dates. Williams plays the Million Dollar Theater in Los Angeles for a week, teeing off Los Angeles for a week, teeing off September 16. Deal was made for \$3,750, but price will be upped for succeeding dates. . . Tex Grooms, ex-fiddler with Al Clauser's Okla-homa Outlaws, KTUL, Tulsa; Betty Jean, comedienne and yodeler for-merly at WNAX, Yankton, S. D.; and Chuck Brady, formerly of KVOO, Tulsa, and WNAX, Yankton, S. D., have formed a new trio called Two Boys and a Girl and are working over KFEQ, St. Joseph, Mo.

Blondie Force, the Driftin' Cowboy, who has just concluded a p.a. tour of the South and East, is forming his own band. Force and his new Montana Cowboys were inked to a Rocket Record contract. Their first release on the Portland, Ore., label will be Sunshine Blues and Goin' Back to Texas. . Folk artists get their first Gotham concert break September 18-19 when a troupe, headed by Ernest Tubb, plus Minnie Pearl, the Short Brothers and Rosalie Allen work Carnegie Hall. Tickets go for from \$1.20 to \$3.60. Tubb is reported to have collected over \$50,000 in Decca royalties the first six months of this year.

Western warbler Eddie Kirt has been inked by Capitol. . . The Bare-foot Boys have cut their first four sides for Radio Artists. . . Bob Schermen has been appointed record-ing director for King Records. He was formerly with Atlas platters. . . Grandpa Jones, WSM, Nashville, and Hawkshaw Hawkins, WWVA, Wheeling received 5 000 requests for Wheeling, received 5,000 requests for photos during the first week their free films were offered to radio listheir

### AMERICAN FOLK TUNES Cowboy and Hillbilly Tunes and Tunesters

The Billboard

teners. . . Cowboy Copas and Grandpa Jones, both King artists, have song folios due for publication by Lois Publishing Co., Cincinnati. Copas and

### First Album

Barbara Cameron, thrush heard on Moon River, WLW, Cincinnati, has made her first album on King records. Homer and Jethro are currently doing Midwest fair dates and return to concinnati for a King wax session early in October.... Art Plaut is new member of King Records' promotion and ad department.

Texas Ray and Mae played to 8,600 fans at the recent Kingwood (Pa.) IOOF picnic. Show cast in-cluded Fiddlin' Bud, Yodelling Eddie, cluded Fiddlin' Bud, Yodelling Eddie, Duke Thomas, Mike Gregor, Pete Riggans, Happy and Giggles and the Floyd Sisters. . . Lew Mel, the writer of many folk tune hits, was married to Margaret Jesel of New York, August 30 at St. Paul's Catholic Church, New York. They will reside in Brooklyn. . . Judy Canova will make a series of hillbilly comedy disks for Vitacoustic Records, with whom she just inked a wax pact. whom she just inked a wax pact.

Hank Snow, a native of Blue Rocks, N. S., is back touring his home terri-tory, the Maritime Provinces, after making several Victor platters. Play-ing rinks for one to four-day stands, he is accompanied by his son. Jimmy, who also sings cowboy ditties: Shawnee, his trick horse; Plez Goens, cowboy comic; Rosita, yodeler; and Art Rhyne, another singer. . . . A new sta-tion, CFBC, St. John, N. B., is giving special emphasis to folk platters, and especially those by two natives of the near-by provinces, Wilf Carter, who hails from Baie Verte, N. B., and Hank Snow. Both are on Victor.

Snow. Both are on Victor. Mountain Pete and His Country Cousins returned to WJBK, Detroit, September 15 and are heard five times weekly. Pete Angel will handle the fiddle assignments, with "Bash-ful" Clarence Linn as announcer. Cast includes Al Angel, bass; Ed Collins, guitar; Clarence Bass, clar-inet-sax; Frank Potestio, accordion; Beanie Coffell, piano and "Honest John" on vocals and guitar. They had a similar show over WJBK prior to the war, but the new show will have an augmented cast. have an augmented cast.

### **Tim Plays Rodeo**

Tim Doolittle and his Pine Center Gang, prime favorites in the Dearborn, Mich., area, played the last week of the Dearborn Junior Chamber of Com-merce rodeo. He has just joined the staff of WKMH, doing a morning pro-gram of folk music. . . King Records has set up its own distributors in three major cities, making a total of nine of their own outlets thruout the country.

Lloyd Anderson, of KMOX, St Louis, recently started a new one-hour recorded hillbilly show, begin-ning at 5 a.m. . . . Riley Shepard, ex-Majestic Record's hillbilly recordex-Majestic Record's fillibility record-ing chief, is leaving KOMA, Okla-homa City, where he emseed the new Columbia network show, Okla-homa Round-Up, September 27 to do a series of Eastern personal appear-ances and some recording in Gotham.

Buddy Starcher, formerly heard over WMMN, Fairmont, W. Va., has started doing a disk jockey stint daily over WPDX, the new station at Clarksburg,

W. Va. Starcher, who is an executive of Dixie Records, announces thruout the day and has a 15-minute song show. Other folk artists on the station include Little John Graham and Cherokee Sue, and Patsy Jean. . . . Jimmie Walker, formerly of WSM, Nashville, started with WWVA, Wheeling, September 6. He will be heard daily from now on.

Slim McDonald, veteran Western radio figure whose Ole Top Rail Roundup is heard daily over KSKY, Roundup is heard daily over KSKY, Dallas, featuring the latest folk plat-ters, sends in his new souvenir booklet on his Ole Top Rail night club, located outside of Dallas. The spot is being flacked by Gus Foster, the well-known cowboy announcer, who has worked all over the South-west and West Coast. Entertainment at the new, modernistic bistro is in the hands of Patty Lou and Her Texas Sweethearts, with Ted Hodges featured on fiddle and piano.

### **Ideal Novelty Co. To Hold Service School**

Hold Service School ST. LOUIS, Sept. 13.—Rock-Ola operators and servicemen in this territory will soon have an oppor-tunity to attend a course of special training at the Ideal Novelty Com-pany here, Carl F. Trippe, Ideal of-ficial, announced last week. Known as the Visualcast Service Training Program, the course will consist of five one-hour sessions, using motion pictures and the Rock-Ola service specialists' handbook. All Rock-Ola operators and their service-men will be urged to attend. At the completion of the course each person who has attended will be given a set of questions to answer and

given a set of questions to answer and those who qualify will be awarded a diploma.

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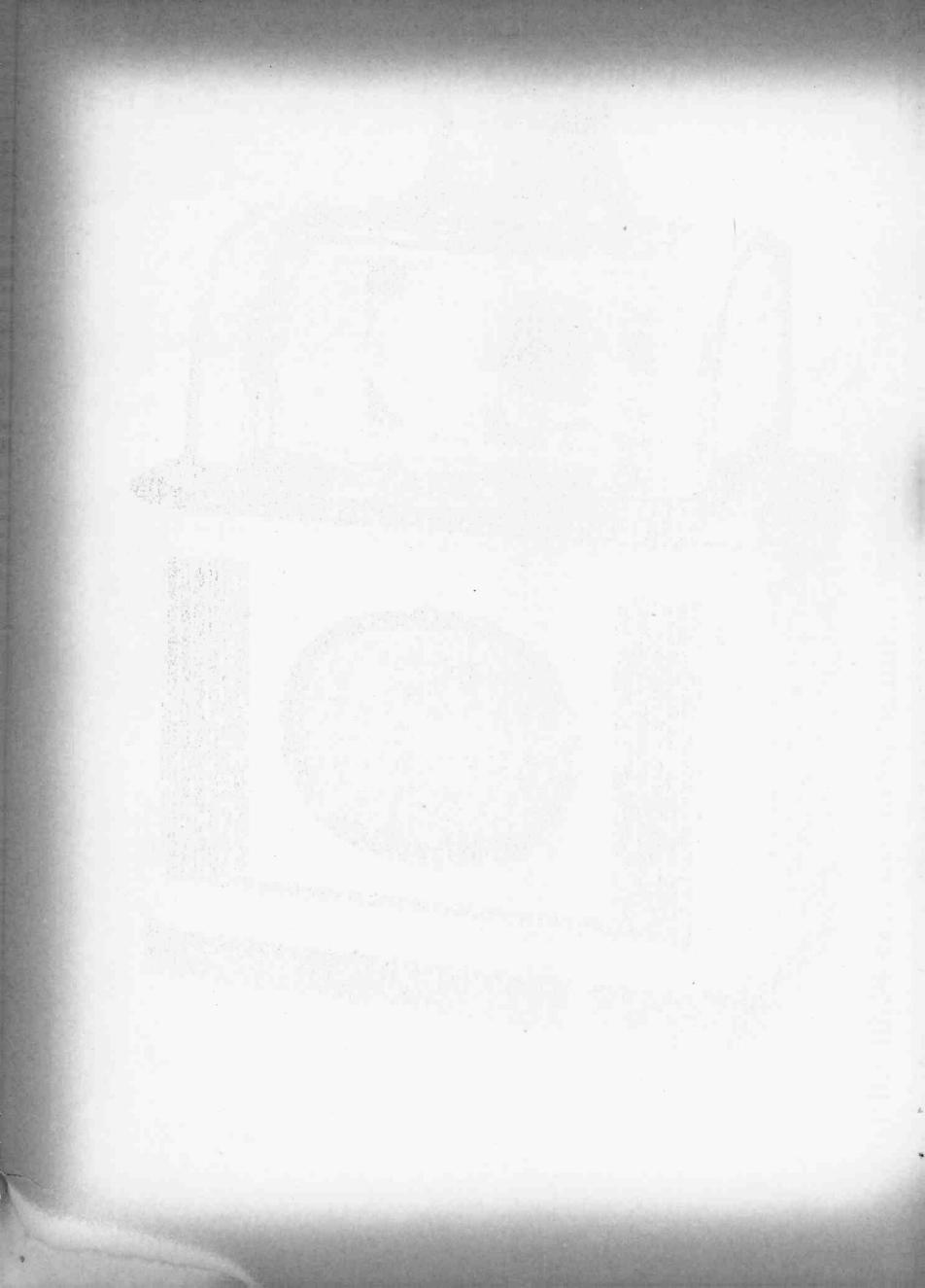
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# **RECORD REVIEWS**

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### FRANKIE MASTERS (MGM 10062)

Anything You Can Do-FT; VC. Let the Rest of the World Go By-FT; VC. The personality piping of the maestro, sharing the wordage with maestro, sharing the wordage with full-voiced Phyllis Myles who also generates a pleasant personality on the platter, and with the band boys bringing up a pert rhythmic back-ground, all adds up to a pleasing song specialty in Anything You Can Do from Annie, Get Your Gun. For the din Eraphic Masters concentrates on flip, Frankie Masters concentrates on the smooth dance rhythms and harmonies, which are also added lyrically with great effectiveness by the Swing Masters for the old-time World Go By ballad taken at a moderate tempo.

The everlasting Let the Rest of the World Go By may find some coin spenders.

### BILLY ECKSTINE (National 9037)

BILLY ECKSTINE (National 9037) In the Still of the Night—FT; VC. Gloomy Sunday—FT; VC. These masters made when Billy Eckstine had his own band, it's still the pash piping in a highly persua-sive manner on the part of the sepia balladeer for both df these standard songs. Takes both ballads at a slow tempo with the band boys laying down a full rhythm-figured and har-mony background to frame his singmony background to frame his singing all the more attractively.

Fem set at the race spots will spend their nickels for both of these sides, particularly for Gloomy Sunday.

### ROY ELDRIDGE (Decca 24119)

Body and Soul-FT. Lover Come Back to Me-FT.

This reissue showcases the trumpet sorcery of Roy Eldridge in most toothsome fashion. And in spite of the ruggedness and roughness of his band, it's still the Eldridge trumpet, hitting the notes true in a wide range and phrasing the melody motif thoughtfully, that makes the couplet count. Makes it a trumpet concerto for Body and Soul, playing it in con-trasting slow and fast tempos, with a lively jump beat set for Lover Come Back to Me.

For the jazz collectors.

### VICTOR LOMBARDO (Majestic 7263) Near You-FT; VC. Zu-Bi-FT; VC.

While the ensemble is far from being closely knit, with no distinction in band blend or styling, Victor Lom-bardo makes it a mill run affair for bardo makes it a min thi anali for both of these songs. Saxes and piano set the stage for *Near* You, with the Threesome harmony trio taking on the wordage, keeping the same mod-erate tempo for the novelty *Zu-Bi* love lyric on the mated side.

The song itself may snare some coins for Near You until a better version spins along.

### RANDY BROOKS (Decca 24161)

Lamplight-FT; VC. Tenderly-FT.

With Harry Prime's piping in the Skinnay Ennis tradition, and just as easy to take, Randy Brooks provides a Hal Kempian flavor to his band's music to make it entirely smooth and pleasing to ear and hoof for James music to make it entirely smooth and pleasing to ear and hoof for James Shelton's Lamplight love song long identified with Ennis. The maestro comes into his own for the Tenderly ballad on the mated side, serving as a vehicle to show off his fine trumpet tone and thoughtful phrasings for the tone of melody. tender melody.

While the spinning is smooth and dance. able, it'll be hard to extract coins with these selections.

### DICK JURGENS (Columbia 37811) Ragtime Cowboy Joe-FT; VC, Elmer's Tune-FT.

Two corn-fed favorites of an earlier year are revived by the label for this doublet, and both spin out with nos-talgia in the needling. Ragtime Cow-boy Joe, set to a lively shuffle

rhythm, features the hey-hey sing-ing of Eddy Howard, with the boys in the band responding. It's an in-strumental spin in the same lively tempo for *Elmer's Tune*, with the piano picking out the melody most of the way in the old-time ragtime manner.

Plattering plenty dated to interest the nickel needlers.

### ANDY KIRK (Decca 24139)

I'm Falling for You-FT; VC. So Soon-FT; VC.

So Soon—FT; VC. The soft and smooth harmonies of the Four Knights carrying the cut-ting, with a sweet tenor in the vocal lead lending lustre to their blend, Andy Kirk's music provides a sus-tained rhythmic beat for both of these slow ballad sides. Both ballads are highly tuneful and the band boys bridge the singing with pleasant in-strumental interludes.

Race spots may find some interest in these sides, particularly for the lilting Falling for You.

PHIL BRITO (Musicraft 15112 and 456) I'm Sorry I Didn't Say I'm Sorry—FT; V, An Apple Blossom Wedding—FT; V, O, Marenariello—W; V. Tango Del La Rosa—FT; V.

Altho the music of Ted Dale adds Altho the music of Ted Dale adds very little brilliance to his singing, Phil Brito is in good baritone voice for the sentimental Sorry ballad, taken at a moderate tempo, and slow-ing down for Apple Blossom Wed-ding. And in view of the interest in I Have But One Heart, label has pulled out Brito's waxing of the orig-inating Italian folk melody. O. Mareinating Italian folk melody, O, Mare-nariello, which was originally in-cluded in the singer's Songs of Italy cluded in the singer's Songs of Italy ballad. However, he sings it entirely in Italian, which lyrics refer to the little boy by the sea removed from the present Tin Pan Alley adaptation. Mates it with another album piece, also in Italian with Walter Gross's lush musical backing, in Tango Del La Basa La Rosa.

The Italian songs will mean something to the phono ops servicing such nationality spots.

### **IRVING KAUFMAN** (Sterling 801) The Curse of an Aching Heart-W; V. Think It Over, Mary-FT; V.

It's nostalgic needling of the old school as Irving Kaufman sings out in lusty baritone fashion and is joined by the barbershop harmonies of the Dandies for these two evergreens. And with Bert Knapp's Music (or-gan, piano and guitar) background-ing, it's the old-time flavor for the Aching Heart waltz and the Mary ballad taken at a moderate tempo.

Both sides stand up for the taps and averns

### RAY DOREY (Majestic 7266)

Why Should I Cry Over You?-FT; V. Boulevard of Memories-FT; V.

It's the straight-forward barltoning of Ray Dorey for both of these bal-lads. And despite the full-fashioned musical support of Jack Matthias, projects very little warmth or ro-mantic appeal in his chant. Takes it it moderate temps for the sentimental at moderate tempo for the sentimental Cry Over You, coupling in the slow tempo for the nostalgic Boulevard of Memories song.

### No coin charm in this couplet.

### EDDY HOWARD (Majestic 1169)

I Can't Get Offa My Horse—FT; VC. I Just Dropped in To Say Hello—FT; VC. Eddy Howard, joined by the trio Eddy Howard, joined by the trio in song, and with the band boys bringing up the pert dance rhythms, cuts it smooth and easy for the Horse novelty, but without the ditty or its delivery creating any undue atten-tion. Dips into the soft and sweet torch frame for the flip in the pleas-ant Just Dropped In ballad. Little coin macic in these makings. Little coin magic in these makings.

**New York Taverns Agree** To Keep 10-Cent Beer

NEW YORK, Sept. 13. bars and grills in New York this week averted a rise in the price of a glass of beer from 10 to 15 cents, but similar locations in New Jersey are yet to meet to decide whether they will have to go up a nickel to meet a 62-cent increase on each half-barrel purchased from breweries. New York locations, mulling the ef-fect the increased price would have on their business, met to discuss the situation early this week. They emerged after a day-long session to report that dime beer would be main-tained at least for the time being. bars and grills in New York this week tained at least for the time being.

Lained at least for the time being. Luxury Beer "We would like to hold the price to a dime," reported Arthur W. Gil-lette, president of the United Restau-rant Liquor Dealers of Manhattan, Inc., "but I am afraid this is the be-ginning of beer's going into the lux-ury class. Eventually we'll have to go to 15 cents." This association represents 1,300 restaurant bars in the city. the city.

The situation in New Jersey, which The situation in New Jersey, which was also affected by the wholesaler raise, will not come to a head until Monday (15) when the New Jersey Tavern Owners' Association meets in Asbury Park to decide on a course of action. John P. Keevan, presi-dent of the organization, predicted a 5-cent rise when he called the 4,000 members to the meeting.

The Music Guild of America, thru The Music Guild of America, thru LeRoy Stein, executive secretary, in discussing the beer rise, reported: "What applies to the beer industry no doubt applies to all industries, in-cluding the coin machine industry as well. Every retailer, whether he be the butcher, the baker or the candle-stick maker, has already increased prices or intends to do so. We in the coin machine industry must either in-crease our income in accordance with crease our income in accordance with 1947 economy, or find ourselves out of the running.

### Need Modern Approach

"Cutting expenses, lack of sales promotion, indifferent salesmanship,

# **Cee Gee Plans Filben Showing**

BALTIMORE, Sept. 13.—Cee Gee Distributors will hold a special show-ing of the Filben music line here September 21.

Firm, headed by Joseph Gilotti, represents Filben for the States of Maryland and Delaware, District of Columbia, and Northern Virginia. All coinmen from this area have been invited to attend the showing.

Special guests of the Cee Gee Com-pany will be the Filben Mirrocle Music Maid and Bert Davidson, Wil-liam Zott and Sam Mannarino, of Filben.

An elaborate display has been planned for the occasion along with a buffet lunch and special entertainment for all guests.

# WODDY HERMAN (Decca 25194)

WOODY HERMAN (Decca 25194) Blues in the Night—FT; VC. Laughing Boy Blues—FT; VC. A reissue of two Woody Herman classics when the band really played the blues. And for Blues in the Night, it's the maestro's effective chanting in the blues vein, remain-ing in the same song spirit for the novelty Laughing Boy Blues. The Laughing Boy who laughs out the blues along with the maestro's sultry blues along with the maestro's sultry chanting is remembered as being tunesmith Sunny Skylar.

Blues in the Night may pick up some coins again.

Taverns, and weeping on each other's shoulder this week is definitely not the answer. As a of a glass matter of fact, it will make matters ents, but much worse. What is needed is a matter of fact, it will matter matter much worse. What is needed is a program of stupendous proportion along the lines of public relations, sales promotion, advertising and good old-fashioned selling, not to the loca-tion, but to the public, the patrons whose interest in coin-operated music orguing the re-awakened. We equipment must be re-awakened. We must stop employing 1927 methods and quickly adopt 1947 promotions."

# **Coin Biz Saga** Told on Radio; Script by CMI

CHICAGO, Sept. 13—Radio listen-ers thruout the United States are learning details about coin machines thru broadcasts of a Coin Machine Industries, Inc., (CMI) radio script, "Rec Room Keeps Kiddies At Home," prepared by CMI's public relations bureau bureau.

To date 54 stations have used the story on their special women's pro-grams. Other stations are expected to carry the story soon. Script centers around a home recreation room which has various types of coin machines.

The following stations have so far broadcast the story: WBRC, Birm-ingham, Ala.; KDRS, Paragould, Ark.; KFSD, San Diego, Cal.; KREO, Indio, Cal.; KCOL, Fort Collins, Colo.; KCRT, Trinidad, Colo.; WNOC, Nor-wich, Conn.; WILM, Wilmington, Del.; WDSR, Lake City, Fla.; WSIR, Winter Haven, Fla.; WWGS, Tifton, Ga.; WLBB, Carrollton, Ga.; KEIO, Pocatello, Idaho; WSOY, Decatur, Ill.; WBYS, Canton, Ill.; Farnsworth, WGL, Fort Wayne, Ind.; WSBT, South Bend, Ind.; KSIB, Creston, Ia.; KWLC, Decorah, Ia.; KROS, Clinton, Ia.; WKTM, Mayfield, Ky.; WBCC, Bethesda, Md.: WHFB, Benton Har-bor, Mich.; WABJ, Adrian, Mich.; KTRF, Thief River Falls, Minn.; KBUN, Bemidji, Minn.; KPRK, Liv-ingston, Montana; KGEZ, Kalispell, Montana. Also KANA, Anaconda, Montana; The following stations have so far

Montana. Also KANA, Anaconda, Montana; KBON, Omaha, Nebr.; KOH, Reno, Nev.; WWBZ, Vineland, N. J.; WHLD, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; WENT, Glovers-ville, N. Y.; WSLB, Ogdensburg, N. Y.; WMBL, Morehead City, N. C.; KTMC, McAlester, Okla.; WDAD, Indiana, Pa.; WWSW, Pittsburgh, Pa.; KUSD, Vermillion, S. D.; KABR, Ab-erdeen, S. D.; WMMT, McMinnville, Tenn.; WJZM, Clarksville, Tenn.; WJJM, Lewisburg, Tenn.; WHAL, Shelbyville, Tenn.; KVIC, Victoria, Texas; KEBE, Jacksonville, Texas; KCLE, Cleburne, Texas; WSLS, Roanoke, Va.; WARL, Arlington, Va.; WSVS, Crewe, Va.; KBRC, Mt. Vernon, Wash.; KBRO, Bremerton, Wash.; KODI, Cody, Wyo., with many more expected to carry it in the near future. future.



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# **Tavern Operators Nix Juke Ownership**; Say It's Too Costly

### (Continued from page 120)

buying records, needles, parts, etc. 2. Not being in a position to know what type, and what particular songs, would go over best as juke selections. 3. Expense of equipment replacement.

ment. 4. Unfamiliarity with "music en-gineering" in its more detailed as-pects: how to decide on need and placement of wall boxes, extra speakers, allowance for acoustics, etc. 5. An entirely different business from tavern operation, requiring training for its proper conduct, juke ownership would make demands on their time to the disadvantage of their primary business, which in the long primary business, which in the long run would suffer from such division of interests.

### **Costly Proposition**

Speaking out against locationowned jukes, Alfred Diori, proprietor of the F & W Inn, stated that in his of the F & W Inn, stated that in his opinion the tavernman would have to buy at least \$3 worth of new re-cords every week, to say nothing of extra dollars and cents for repairs and parts. "And then while the juke was being repaired (if I could find a repairman in the first place) I might go for days without music. Now if something goes wrong with the machine my operator takes it out and substitutes another while it is being repaired. With my present set-up I'm certain of at least making enough on my juke box to pay my enough on my juke box to pay my electric bill each month. If I owned the juke, I'd never be sure where I'd wind up."

"I owned my own juke box for six "I owned my own juke box for six months, kept going in the red, and finally called in an operator to take it off my hands," said Chester Siwczynski, owner of Chester's Old Spot. "After buying four or five rec-

# **AMI Producing New Wall Boxes**

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.-AMI, Inc. is now in production on its 40-selection, three-wire wall box, it was announced Thursday (11) by Lyndon C. Force, firm manager of general sales.

New wall box is of die-cast aluminum, with selections on an endless chain which the customer can move chain which the customer can move in either direction by turning a knob. Having twelve selections visible at all times, the wall boxes do not require a separate power supply since a stepping unit will be placed in the juke box cabinet itself and the boxes operate by using power from the phonograph's transformer-rectifier. Force also revealed that selection will be accomplished in one-fifth of a second, and the box, because fifth of a second, and the box, because of its endless chain will not be appreciably larger than the standard size box. AMI's wall box will accept nickels only but will be adapted later to accept both nickels and dimes.

Since the company first introduced its 40-selection music machine on the market, operators have tried several ways of hooking it up with wall boxes. Some operators have tried a 20-selection wall box, alternating from the first to the last 20 selections from a booth. Another improvisation put to use by operators con-cerned the choosing of the top 20 or 24 tunes on their music machines and hooked these on to their wall boxes. As Force explained, the new box will make these procedures unnecessary and furnish operators with a wall-box installation that makes full use of the 40 spletions explicible of the 40 selections available.

ords every week for 26 weeks I found I had money invested in over a hundred records which were, after removal from the juke, a total loss as far as I was concerned. My ex-perience has convinced me that the music operator is the man to prop-erly handle the tavern juke box."

### **Earnings Without Investment**

When Pete Koclanes, part owner of When Pete Koclanes, part owner of the Arcturus Lounge, was questioned on his views on location-owned jukes, he said he couldn't see the point to such ownership. "Now the juke brings in earnings without any investment on my part, why then should I want to own it?" Lee Nico-letti, partner in Joe Nicks Tavern, also is opposed to location owner-ship. "Why buy a piece of expensive equipment you don't have to? It isn't good business—for the tavern owner."

Another tavern owner told of hav-Another tavern owner told of hav-ing a brand new juke installed re-cently. The speaker in this particu-lar model was placed at the top. After a few days' operation, during which the record reproduction was found to be entirely unsatisfactory, he called in the operator. It was discovered that the combination of low ceiling and high speaker pro-duced the off-tone effect. Another model machine, with its speaker in a lower position, was immediately a lower position, was immediately brought in by the operator and proved much more satisfactory. Point here, the tavern owner said, was that if he had bought the first juke him-self he would have had to take a loss in acquiring another machine.

### Wouldn't Pay Off

Typical of many other tavern owners' replies was that made by Henry Mielcuch, owner of the 639 Tavern. "I'm in the tavern business, not the music business. Anyway, I'm convinced location - owned jukes wouldn't pay off—if they did I'm sure the music operator wouldn't be in existence!"

Vern Tischer, Tischer's Tavern, seemed to strike the core of the whole location-ownership problem with her reply. She said: "Next month my music operator is bringing in a brand new machine. Why buy one of my own? If I did, the new juke coming in next month would cost me the price of a new set of booths or some other needed equipbooths or some other needed equip-ment!"

### **Eastern Sales Holds Opener**, Filben Show

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 13. — Opening of the new and enlarged sales and display rooms of Eastern Sales Company and the first showing of the Filben Mirrocle music line in

of the Filben Mirrocle music line in the Rochester area were combined here Saturday (6) and Sunday (7). Featured attraction, along with the Filben equipment, was the initial public appearance of the Filben Mir-rocle Music Maid, the Powers model who posed for the illustration on the Mirrocle cabinet Mirrocle cabinet.

Hosts at the event were Fred Iver-son and John Bilotta, of Eastern Sales. Among the 500 guests who attended were Bert Davidson, of Fil-ben's Chicago office, and William Zott, Filben's chief service engineer.

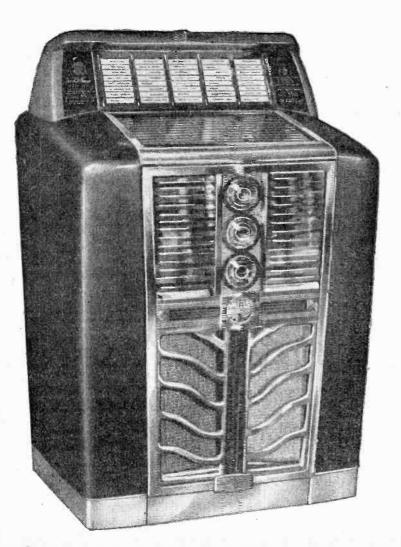
Many floral displays were pre-sented to Iverson and Bilotta to mark the opening of their new plant. The open house was an all-day affair both Saturday and Sunday with food and refreshments being served. Dancing was held each evening to music furnished by Filben Mirrocle phonographs.

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NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- The very big heart that beats within the coin machine business was again on display here last week.

A couple in a small flat above a Bronx juke box operator's location were celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. The couple, both over 80, were bedridden and only a few friends knew about the anniversary. Among them was the location owner, who together with a few of the couple's friends planned a party. When the operator learned of the incident from the location owner, he arranged to have a juke box delivered to the flat on the day of the anniversary equipped to play 20 of the couple's favorite records. The party was adjudged a com-plete success!

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### MAURICE CHEVALIER RETURNS (Victor S-51)

In the music hall manner as when taking to the footlights, presenting the song story in English and then singing it in French for the mated side of the record, Maurice Chevalier brings a full measure of infectious chanting charm that belongs to him alone for this set of four records. Ever the showman in his song delivery, creating the flavor of Paris with all its gayety and wistful pathos as captured by the songs, Chevalier projects his song personality vividly on wax for Vingt Ans, the story of love at the age of 20; Valentine, fanciful song story of the violin that was madly in love with a dancer; Quai de Bercy, lilting waltz about the wine market, and for the fourth platter, mates Weeping Willie, a G.I. chanson with a descriptive Place Pigalle ditty. Henri Rene's music adds to the continental flavor of the spinning. Photo of the singer graces the cover with an additional picture and biog notes on the inside page, and it all adds up to what the Chevalier fans would want on wax. A DAY AT THE RINGLING BROS. AND

### A DAY AT THE RINGLING BROS. AND BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS-F. Beverly Kelley (Commodore CRA-7)

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sides of dull and unexciting chatter to describe the setting up of the tented city, a visit to the menagerie where Gargantua is found, a look into the big top where at least the calliope breaks up the monotony, and finally, a visit to clown alley. And despite the sounds and crowd noises. the spinning is entirely without color or the kind of circus atmosphere that would keep kids attentive to the spinning. Instead, it's a straightforward description. Cover page, with its animal and clown figures, much more interesting than the waxings, with notes on the narrator and his visit around the lot filling the inside pages.

### YEAR ROUND FAVORITES-Sammy Kaye (Victor P-184)

The sweet syncos sported by Sammy Kaye's band, with emphasis on the singing, spins around the calendar for this set of four records. Linked to the seasons, with Laura Leslie, Johnny Ryan, Don Cornell, the Three Kaydets and the lyrical fem charm in the chanting of Your Sunday Serenade Sweetheart, it's the familiar sticky sweetness in words and music for Easter Parade, April Showers, Summertime, June Is Bustin' Out All Over, September Song, White Christmas and Winter Wonderland. Even if without sparkle, the spinning is entirely danceable for those getting their hoof incentives from the Kaye downbeats. Records shipped without album cover for review.

### SQUARE DANCE—Carson Robinson (MGM 5)

Carson Robinson rounds up a fine aggregation of square dance musicians playing fiddle, banjo and accordion, and with Lawrence V. Loy giving the calls, whips together a set of four records for the square dancing. For the rustic terpsichore, it's all lively and authentic music for eight dances, each explained as to formations and calls used on the inside pages front and back. Dances are the Hook and a Whirl, Head Couples Separate, The Devil's Britches, Lady Round the Lady, Bob's Favorite, The Maverick, Pokeberry Promenade and When the Work's All Done This Fall. Photo of maestro Robinson graces the album cover and the spinning will serve best for the dancing schools or the home hoedown parties.

BEETHOVEN: CONCERTO IN D MAJOR FOR VIOLIN AND ORCHESTRA—Joseph Szigeti-New York Philharmonic (Columbia MM-697)

The predominantly songful Concerto in D Major by Beethoven is given an admirably clear performance by violinist Joseph Szigeti and conductor Bruno Walter, conducting the New York Philharmonic, bringing to music lovers a monumental work complete in a set of five 12-inch records. Szigeti gives it a warm and mature reading with technical and tonal brilliancy, especially marked in the cadenzas. One of the most popular and lyrical of the concert classics, with beautiful melodies and endless variations, this platter performance by two great artists in Szigeti and Walter belongs on the top shelf. The fiddle-neck design to bank title and credits makes for a colorful cover design with photos of the two artists and notes on the music filling the inside page.

### WALTZ TIME-Abe Lyman

(Columbia C-136)

Recorded as single record issues in earlier years, the label bunches eight waltz favorites as played by the Abe Lyman orchestra to give a full run to those taking to the light fantastic in three-quarter time. Entirely melodic, and the scoring still in style, spinning takes in Charmaine, La Golondrina, Down by the Old Mill Stream, Meet Me Tonight in Dreamland, Jeannine, Missouri Waltz, I'm Falling in Love With Someone and Valse Huguette. All instrumentals, plattering is as tuneful to the ears as for the hoof. Cover arranged as an attractive title page with photo of the maestro and personal notes on the inside page.

### AMERICAN WALTZES-Ray Bloch (Signature S-11)

(Signature S.11) Maestro Ray Bloch takes six waltz favorites by American composers, and with a full band rich in string gloss, dresses them up with colorful harmonies to make for restful and earful listening. Three records take in My Wonderful One, Alice Blue Gown,



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### ELLA FITZGERALD SOUVENIR ALBUM (Decca A-473)

In a top drawer all of her own when it comes to chanting a song with rhythmic styling and feeling, it's a desired set of four disks that spin out Ella Fitzgerald for eight songs which she has done so well in the past. Contrasting blues with bal-lads, and the unnamed band giving lads, and the unnamed band giving her full musical support, Miss Ella lilts the lyrics in exciting fashion for Can't Help Lovin' Dat Man, I Must Have That Man, Cabin in the Sky, I Can't Believe That You're in Love With Me; Baby. Won't You Please Come Home?; The One I Love and I'm the Lonesomest Girl in Town. Photo of the sultry songbird graces the album cover with bio notes fill-ing the inside pages. All makes for a souvenir set that the disk fans will seek out, and the only thing that could make it more complete would be for the waxerie to have included could make it more complete would be for the waxerie to have included her Stairway to the Stars, unques-tionably her all-time best.

CHANSONS-Lily Pons (Columbia MM-689) CHANSONS—Lily Pons (Columbia MM.689) Unexcelled in bringing a lyrical fragrance to the French songs, Lily Pons, with Maurice Abravanel and Andre Kostelanetz sharing the con-ducting, brings together a bouquet of beautiful art songs, sensitively sung, for this set of three 12-inch records. There are four charming and cheerful songs by Darius Milhaud, commis-sioned by Miss Pons, and based on verses by Pierre de Ronsard. The other lyrical gems are Faure's Apres un Reve and Les Roses d'Ispahan. Duparc's L'Invitation au Voyage and Bachelet's best-known Chere Nuit. Color photo of the lyrical soprano Color photo of the lyrical soprano graces the cover page, with the front and back inside pages carrying the English translations of the songs along with pictures and biographical notes

### FAVORITE SONGS FROM FAMOUS MUSICALS (Victor P-177)

Eight everlasting favorites from the musical show scores are pack-aged to make for pleasant and melo-dious spinning that captures the spirit of the show music in its waxed performance here. With the lovely soprano voice of Frances Greer and the romantic tenering of Limmy Cap soprano voice of Frances Greer and the romantic tenoring of Jimmy Car-roll making for the lyrical love in-terest, banked by the pit-flavored music of Dudley King, their voices blend smoothly to Someone To Watch Over Me, Make Believe, I'll Follow My Secret Heart, Yours Is My Heart Alone, Love's Rondolay and A Kiss in the Dark. Miss Greer gives it alone for Zigeuner while Carroll solos for I'm Falling in Love With Someone. Cover design, with its crinoline days figures, expresses the show nostalgia of the spinning. show nostalgia of the spinning.

### DVORAK: SYMPHONY NO. 1 IN D MAJOR -Cleveland Orchestra-Erich Leinsdorf (Columbia MM-687)

Altho among Dvorak's lesser known and lesser played symphonies, this first to be published, while it was the sixth he wrote, is rescued from oblivion by Erich Leinsdorf in his masterful interpretation as played by the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra. the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra. Flavored with gay and joyous conti-nental melodies and dances, and brilliantly colored in its scoring, it's the music of the composer's native Bohemia in a symphony setting worthy of greater performance. And this set of five 12-inch records is worthy of any symphonic wax collec-tion. Nationalistic figures embellish the album cover, with photo of the tion. Nationalistic figures embellish the album cover, with photo of the capable maestro and notes on the colorful music printed inside.

Morning, NORMAN CORWIN'S "BETWEEN AMERI-CANS"-Kate Smith (MGM 7-A)

The spinning sides make another contribution to unity and understand-ing in adopting one of Norman Corwin's Between Americans radio scripts. Produced by Ted Collins for the waxing with songbird Kate Smith an emotional narrator, the four Smith an emotional narrator, the four records spin out a democratic docu-mentary on what America means to you and me. And while it is pri-marily narration, with Jack Miller's music filling in the bridges, there is plenty of dramatic impact in Cor-win's wordage. For Miss Kate, her efforts only lend name value to the set, there being little dramatic per-suasion in her reading and too many set, there being little dramatic per-suasion in her reading, and too many may take her up on her opening when she suggests the uninterested might just as well pass this package by. Unfortunately, it is the uninter-ested who need Corwin's message most. Cover is a red, white and blue design, with picture of the Statue of Liberty and Miss Kate. Inside page pictures Collins, Corwin and Miss Smith with cast credits for the small participating group. Cuttings could come into good use for class-rooms, rather than making for home entertainment. entertainment.

### TWEEDLE DE DEE AND TWEEDLE DE DUM-Eddie Cantor (Musicraft N-11)

**DUM**—Eddie Cantor (Musicraft N-11) With United Nations Week and the Freedom Train setting the stage, label makes an important contribu-tion to the cause of unity with this delightful kiddie paraphrase of Twee-dle De Dee and Tweedle De Dum taken on a magic carpet tour of the nations of the world. Written and produced by Manning Ostroff, with Carmen Dragon directing the large studio orchestra for his own descrip-tive scoring, it brings Eddie Cantor tive scoring, it brings Eddie Cantor in the dual parts of native and narrator. And with Cantor adding a touch of his own homey humor as the covers China, Russia, Scotland and the U. S. A., interspersing his chatter with song, the two records make for an entertaining and instructive lesson in both geography and instructive les-son in both geography and in under-standing. Geared to the moppets, spinning holds interest for adults as well. Twin photos of Cantor make for the cover attraction with the song lyrics printed on the inside pages of the front and back courses. the front and back covers.

### PROM DATE-Tex Beneke (Victor P-183)

Maestro Tex Beneke (victor P-183) Maestro Tex Beneke takes eight of the more familiar college songs and fashions them as highly rhythmic and toe-teasing dance items. With plenty of beat and bite to the band, it's solid ensemble spinning for The Victory March of Noire Dame, Wash-ington and Lee Swing, On Wiscon-sin Anchors Ameigh and in the slow ington and Lee Swing, On Wiscon-sin, Anchors Aweigh and in the slow ballad tempo for Cornell's Alma Mater. Garry Stevens adds romantic voice for the Sweetheart of Sigma Chi waltz with the Moonlight Sere-naders adding their rhythm har-monies to the maestro's singing of The Eyes of Texas and Rambling Wreck From Georgia Tech. Cover design is collegiate, with prom prowreck From Georgia Tech. Cover design is collegiate, with prom pro-gram and dance couple to which photo of Beneke and his sax is added. With the campus and frat houses humming again, sides will also serve the music machine opera-tors. tors.

### STRAUSS: LE BOURGEOIS GENTILHOMME -Fritz Reiner-Pittsburgh Symphony (Columbia MM-693)

(Columbia MM-693) This is the first domestic recording of Richard Strauss' Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme suite, a varicolored and sparkling musical work originally written for a production of Moliere's famous 17th-century comedy of man-ners. Fritz Reiner, conducting the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra, spreads - Strauss' musical wit and charm, satire and sophistication over five 12-inch records, making for a notable contribution to the classical shelf. Courtly puppet figures make for the cover design with photo of Reiner and notes on the suite filling the inside page. (See Album Reviews on page 144)

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### New York:

Things were booming on the Coney Island Boardwalk last week as the Coney carnival swung into its final phase. 400,000 Reports had an average of persons jamming the area nightly to witness the parades and nightly to witness the parades and special events, and arcades drew heavy crowds thruout the evenings. With the warm summer weather holding, the crowds are expected to jam the Island thru September.

Dick Cole, Drink-o-Mat Manufacturing Company executive, has returned from Florida where he spent his vacation. . . . Earl Winters, Modern Music Sales executive, was glued to the radio as his favorite Dodgers entered their crucial series in St. Louis with the Cardinals. . . . Leo Knebel is now located in his new quarters.

Joseph Rake, head of Rake Coin Machine Exchange, Philadelphia, re-ports his headquarters have been completely remodeled.... Coin machine row is scrambling for World Series tickets, now that the Yankees Series tickets, now that the rankess are just about in and the Brooklyn Dodgers have a fine chance to take the National League crown. With a mickel series in view, coinmen expect many visitors for the games, hence the scramble for the valuable ducats.

King Records has opened a distribution office for the New York great on 10th Avenue and 52d Street. . . Morris Rood, of Runyon Sales, is busy with out-of-towners dropping in to look over the Runyon headquarters. ... Sam Cantapulo, juke box op who recently purchased a printing plant, has expanded his operations by purchasing a debris disposal business.

Chris Christopher held a grand opening for his Chris Novelty Com-pany in Baltimore Friday and Satur-day (12 and 13)... Jack Zacharias, (See New York on page 134)

### **Detroit:**

Nick Forest, who operates a juke box route, also owns the Art Thea-ter, wherein are shown Italian mo-vies, and in addition has a job as manager of the Time Theater. . . Lucien Frappier, Wolverine Sales Company, is establishing the new Juke Box Rental Service on the East Side as an affiliate of the new Wolverine firm. He'll handle special rental of boxes for parties, weddings, etc., in this area. . . Peter C. Nyvall and Ferd R. Bernard are partners in the new Metered Radio Company.

# **COINMEN YOU KNOW**

### **Cincinnati**:

Automatic Phonograph Owners As-sociation (APOA) held its board meeting Tuesday (9) afternoon at 2 meeting Tuesday (9) afternoon at 2 p.m. in the association offices, Charles Kantner, secretary and treasurer, re-ports. Those attending, in addition to Kanter were Sam Chester, Ray Bigner, Harry Hester, Morris Klein-man, Jerry Levy, Max Moeckel and Nat Bartfield. Also present at the meeting were the association's legal counsel Lawrence Kane, Allen Brown and Albert J. Lerner.

APOA's regular monthly meeting was held Tuesday (9) evening, 9 p.m., at the Hotel Gibson. Attending were president Sam Chester, who presided over the meeting: Charles Kantner, over the meeting: Charles Harry Hester, Nat Barifield, Al Lieberman, Dolores Ganzmiller, Jerry Levy, Max Moeckel, Dave Tavel, Louis Schoenlaub, Al Chasson, Sam Gerros, William Harris, Herb Black, Allen Brown and Ray Bigner.

Among the subjects discussed dur-Among the subjects discussed dur-ing the gathering were plans for a Christmas party to be held Decem-ber 9. Committee responsible for party arrangements consists of Ray Bigner, chairman; Al Lieberman, Charles Kanter, Harry Hester, Bill Harris and Dolores Ganzmiller. . . Charles Kanter has fully recovered from his recent six weeks' illness and is reported to be back hard at work on association affairs these days.

### New Orleans:

Julius (Papa) Pace, well-known coin machine figure, and president of the New Orleans Pinball Operators' Association, has retired as head of Dixie Coin Machine Company. His son, Phil, has also left the busi-ness and returned to New Orleans Public Service, Inc. Joe Valenti, for-mer route supervisor for Dixie, has started his own pinball route. Marion J. Matranga, former office manager, is now running the business.

New additions at Dixie include Alfred Holt, manager of the service de-partment; Johnny Hambrick, route mechanic: Mary Catherine Regan, sec retary; Mary Rose Troncale, bookkeeper, and Joe Ben Jones, salesman for North Louisiana.

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### Chicago:

Lorraine Havrila, staff secretary at the Illinois Phonograph Owners' Association, Inc., since the organiza-tion started, was off the job this week after being rushed to a local hospital for an emergency operation, Mike Spagnola, secretary of the association, reports.

Billy De Selm, of United Manufacturing Company, says that production on the new Hawaii pin table is going full steam ahead. United visitors this week were Ed Heath, Heath Distribut-ing, Macon, Ga., and M. Y. Blum, United Distributors, Wichita, Kan.

Jack Cox, Rock-Ola special sales representative, is in Michigan this week making business visits to Grand Rapids and Detroit. Art Weinand, sales manager for the firm, is back from a trip East. Maynard Todd is from a trip East. Maynard Todd is vacationing in Northern Michigan. A visitor at Rock-Ola was Robert L. Brobey, cashier of the First National Bank of LaFria, Tex., which handles accounts for some local coinmen. Brobey expressed considerable amaze-ment at the scope of Rock-Ola opera-tions having proviously holicared that tions, having previously believed that (See Chicago on page 136)

### **Twin Cities:**

Twin Cities: Distributors from the Twin Cities who attended the meeting of the South Dakota Operators' Association at Rapid City, S. D., last week in-cluded Oscar Truppman, Bush Dis-tributing Company; Hy Greenstein, Hy-G Music Company; Archie La-Beau, LaBeau Novelty Sales Com-pany, and Manny Karon, of May-flower Distributing Company. Each distributor representative present was given an opportunity to address the operators and all pleaded for complete co-operation between job-bers and operators. Truppman used the occasion to have a showing of occasion to have a showing the of

(See Twin Cities on page 137)

### Des Moines:

Carroll Johnson, the well-known local operator, proudly told his friends: "It's a boy," following the recent birth of his son. The new-comer is the first for the Johnsons, tho they have been married 12 years. ... Sam Nilva, manager of the Paster Distributing Company, was on a tour covering Northern Iowa during the week. Among the Paster callers dur-ing the same period was Les Chap-man, of Carroll.

Bob Wiley, manager of Frankel Distributing, was in Rock Island, Ill., covering the tri-cities. . . . Helen Orlich is the new secretary and Avis Fike has taken over the bookkeeping duties, both for the Sandler Distributing Sandler's recent visitors Company. Sandler's recent visitors included Clyde Bittner, Waterloo; Frank Lewis, Cedar Rapids; Bernie Mapes, Oskaloosa: Jack Jefferies, of Osceola, and Bill Gilles, Osage.

New service man at Atlas Distributing is Warren Merrill. The firm had three jukes on location at the Iowa State Fair, which capitalized on the heavy attendance at this event. Atlas is planning to move to new quarters as soon as arrangements now pending are completed. Some of the coinmen dropping in during the week were Lee Hedded, of Fort Dodge, who was with his wife, and Mrs. Charles Vestrum, of Spencer.

Several Des Moines distributors are planning to entertain operators at the Los Angeles Rams-Boston Yanks foot-ball game. Contest is reportedly the first major league football clash ever held here. Thus far Irv Sandler, of the distributing firm bearing his name. and Atlas' Phil Moss have scheduled parties for this game. Moss expects Morrie Ginsburg, of the Chicago Atlas office, to be on hand.

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### Los Angeles:

Joe Fishman, well-known coinman from New Jersey, in the city for a combination business and pleasure trip. . . Jack Greenfield returned from Chicago where he went to confer with the Bert Mills Coffee Vender officials. Greenfield, head of Coast Enterprises, handles this product in the Los Angeles area. . . . Al Silber-man returned from a tour of the East in the interest of Cash Trays, a product of Adams-Fairfax Corporation. While here, he is shaping things up preparatory to another extensive jaunt. A-F, headed by Bernie Shapiro, is now in the new building and expect to announce a new line of equipment in the near future.

Bill Aldridge and Harold Smoot expect to show their Kwick-Kafe ma chines at their Melrose Boulevard salesrooms soon. . . Jess Davy, of Automatic Dispenser, soon to announce a new vender. . . . Bob Bell and R. E. Smith, of Automatic Enterprises, lining up distributors for the new Star vender. . . M. L. Parent, of Parent Distributing Company, na-tional sales agents for the Douglass shoe shine machine, back in Oakland after successfully showing the machine at the California State Fair in Oakland. . . Earl Everett. of Seattle Coin, back on the job following a twoweek stay in the hospital because of an operation. . . Kimont Manufactur-ing Company in production on the Douglass shoeshine machine.

Visitors to Badger Sales Company Visitors to Badger Sales Company during the week included William Dawson, El Sereno; Charlie Koski, Long Beach; J. M. Sorenson, Lyn-wood; L. D. Schriefer, Baldwin Park; Ivan Wilcox, Visalia; Morris Benado, North Hollywood; E. R. Rippee, Compton; J. W. Olson, San Pedro, and Lela Smith, Barstow. . . Homer Gil-lespie, of Gillespie Games in Long Beach, returned from his annual va-Beach, returned from his annual vacation.

### Indianapolis:

Jack Simon, Los Angeles coinman, was a Tuesday (9) visitor at the Sicking Company. . . J. L. Stivers, of Stivers' Novelty, and Orval Fetters, who is with the Crown Specialty Company, were looking over coin row company, were looking over com row equipment. Both were in from Rich-mond, Ind. . . . Irwin and James Ey-ster, who have the Eyster Music Com-pany in Terre Haute, called at the Brandt Distributing headquarters during the week during the week.

Peter Stone, of Indiana Automatic Sales, spent several days in Terre Haute in the interest of business mat-ters. Mrs. Peter Stone has entered the Methodist Hospital for a major opera-tion. Dorothy Stone has taken over office duties at the firm. . . . Fred Mann, regional sales manager for Aireon, called at Indiana Music Corporation Tuesday (9).

Other prominent out-of-town coinother prominent out-of-town com-men calling on local distributing firms included Thomas Birch, Muncie op-erator; Russell Pennington, who op-erates in Columbus, Ind., and Ches-ter Bridwell, who has the Bridwell Music Company at Bedford.

### Kansas City:

James Ball, of Kansas City, Kan., is the new salesman at Harry Silver-burg's W. B. Music Company. He will travel Western Missouri and Ed Lyons will continue to make the Kansas territory. Ball is new to the coin trade, but he has had sales experi-ence with brewing, wine and engi-neering firms in this territory. W. B. Betz, partner in W. B., who has W. B. Novelty Company at St. Louis, was in town several days last week confabbing with Silverburg and Reed Whitney, district manager for Seeburg. Ed Feldman, Seeburg field engineer, accompanied Whitney.

Walter Cobb reports he has moved his Acme Music Company at St. Jo-(See Kansas City on page 135)

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# COINMEN YOU KNOW

### ew York:

(Continued from page 132) Tri-State Vending Company, is on cation. . . Al Schleslinger, of uare Amusement Company, ex-cts to have his new game ready xt month.

Albert I. Gorner, Coin Metered achine Association executive, is orking on a high-powered campaign combat unfavorable legislation and lings thruout the country. . . . Bar-y Robbins, Robbins Amusement mpany prexy, and his family left it week for a one-month vacation Canada. . . Lou Jaffa, sales man-er for Eastern Electric Cigarette nding Machines, is getting set for a ess showing of the firm's new ven-which will be held next month.

Coinmen are expected to turn out or the 39th annual National Business Show which will be held in Grand Central Palace September 29-Octo-ber 4. International Mutoscope exhibited its Photomat and Voice-o-Mat during the show last year. . . . The Music Guild of America (MGA) head-guarters in Newark, N. J., is now feauring a Hit Parade bulletin board, which can be used as promotion for ecords in juke box locations.

Atlantic New York Corporation is w set up to convert voltages, cur-it and coin slots for machines to be ported. . . . Alkuno & Company, ., soon will announce several new iding machines. . . Al Blendow, ernational Mutoscope sales maner, spent last week-end in Atlantic v.

Louis Riggio, assistant to the presilent of American Tobacco Company Lucky Strike) and Eugene Mooney, reneral sales manager of the firm, fisited several of the bigger ops in the rea last week. . . . Harry Berger, West Side Distributing Corporation prexy, reports cigarette venders are noving so fast he has added three ervice men to recondition cabinets.

Jack Rosenberg, Cleveland; B. Benham, Chattanooga, and Dominick Raome, Little Falls, N. Y., were visi-tors in New York last week. Irving Johnson, sales director of the National Association of Tobacco Distributors, left last week on a three-month trip that will take him across the country.

King's Slenderizing Company now has a coin-operated steam cabinet in production. . . . Hal R. Meeks, of the firm of the same name, reports heavy interest in his new cookie vender. . . Maxie Green is still drawing crowds to his New Deal Distributing Company headquarters.

Jack Mitnick and Barney Sugar-Jack Mitnick and Barney Sugar-man. executives of Runyon Sales, are working overtime\*on the CMI cancer fund drive. Jack is handling the drive in the New York area, while Barney is in charge of the campaign for the New Jersey commen. . . Al Denver, president of Automatic Music Operators' Association. has been busy preparing for the annual dinner-dance next month.

Joe Hirsch, chairman of the board of the Associated Amusement Machine Operators of New York, reports membership growing rapidly since the merger with the Brooklyn association. Manny Wolff, manager of Viking Vending, is back at work after a threeweek vacation.

Coney Island arcade men report that their association, now about six months old, will swing into full opera-tion this fall. . . . Phil Mason, of Dave Lowy & Company, is taking his vacation in spurts because of the rush of Instead of taking a prolonged

rest, Phil and his family spend long week-ends at near-by resorts. Barney Berkens, former secretary of the old Arcade Owners' Association of America and pioneer in the coin machine sales field, is now in the advertising department of Howard Clothes.

### New Orleans:

(Continued from page 132) FAB Distributing Company, Wur-litzer distributor, was scheduled to move into its newly constructed building at 1019 Baronne, Monday (15), according to Bob Dupuy, man-ager. The attractive one-story struc-ture is modern and air-conditioned ture is modern and air-conditioned thruout. Music Sales Company plans to occupy the former FAB location, 704 Baronne, after extensive remodeling and addition of a mezzanine

Frank Romaguera, manager of outhern Hemisphere Trading Com-Southern pany (Southern music division), has made two recent trips around the State calling on operators. One was made with Stanley Legeski, service representative from the Rock-Ola factory, Chicago, Towns covered included Baton Rouge, Leesville, DeRidder, De-Quincy, Donaldsonville, Alexandria, Monroe and Cottonport. The company is now handling a few pin tables and a full lines of parts.

Henry Fox has returned from Chicago after a business trip. Admiral Vaughan has been making regular fishing trips around the Gulf waters. He reports business is only fair. His Service Coin Company will take on two new pinball mechanics in a week or so. Vaughan has scheduled a busi-ness trip to New York in two weeks.

Jimmy Kell is out of the business with Southern Coin Machine Exchange. A. E. North and Lon Mounger are the remaining partners. Mounger is cur-rently vacationig in San Antonio. North reports an increase in the refinishing business.

J. H. Perez has let a contract for remodeling the three-story building he bought at 922 Poydras on coin machine row. New offices, show space and warehouse space will be included in the work. Perez recently returned from Chicago and is planning another trip for a meeting of Jennings representatives, who were to be guests of the manufacturer September 17.

Bob Buckley and Sam Tridico, of Console Distributing Company, managed to spend a week in the city re-cently as a vacation from their constant road trips. Streamlining of the Console premises has been completed, and the shop is now equipped for factory rebuilding, Buckley said, Leroy Oubre, former office manager, is now running a music box route in St. Charles Parish. William Serpas is now bookkeeper. Other new emnow bookkeeper. Other new em-ployes include John Caldwell, me-chanic, and Ovell Sherdin, from the Buckley factory in Chicago. Buckley said business has picked up considerably, nearly double last month, with a lot of used equipment moving and all new equipment finding a market.

Marion Matranga, at Dixie Coin, says conditions are "looking up," with the beach closed for the season and people moving back into the city. Dixie is hoping to continue in the lead in Adams-Fairfax sales derby for the cash-tray venders, which ends October 15.

O. C. Marshall, of New Orleans Coin Machine Exchange, has completed a trip calling on operators on the Gulf Coast, Alexandria, Baton Rouge, and intermediate points. He says business in up.State Louisiana looks good. N. C. Wicker, his partner, reports things are rather dull in New Orleans, however.



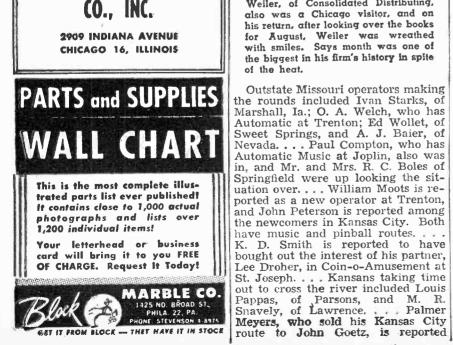
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15 per cent this summer. . . . Jim

Beryl Masters, brother and partner of John Masters in the Missouri Val-ley Amusement Company, is said to be the only blind juke box mechanic in this territory, and the report is he's a crackerjack. Friends say Beryl can tell you just how a box looks by running his fingers over it, and can repair electric motors, fans and amplifiers with the best of them. The Masters recently bought out most of

Masters recently bought out most of the route of Bill Boxburger, but Box-

burger still is operating the re-mainder under the firm name of C. &

B. Amusement Company. Jack Kirk-bridge is the collection man and

checker for Missouri Valley....Loyd Harlow, operator around Kansas City for a number of years, is reported to have set up a new route recently.

T. C. Crummett, of Central Distributing, went to Chicago on business

last week, and Jerry Wilson, salesman, was looking after the shop. . . . Irvin Weiler, of Consolidated Distributing,

&

area are off about 15 per cent.

starting a new one. Roy Simpson also was reported to have sold his route here some time ago.

Bill Shankman, sales manager at Advance Music Company, had three days of excruciating pain with an days of excruciating pain with an abscessed ear, but he is expected back on the job this week. . . . Harold Pear-son, Aireon president, is just back from a trip to Washington.

John and Tony Raccagno, who have the Heart of America Candy & To-bacco Company, have branched into cigarette vending, according to re-ports. . . . Ray M. Cole, routeman with Confection Service Company, has been in Evansville, Ind., setting up a candy route for Joe Graddy, and reports back that vender competition there is just about as keen as any there is just about as keen as any place in the country. . . L. P. Dono-hue, who sold his confection service to J. G. Graham, well-known tobacco jobber, has been sticking pretty close around the shop to help Graham and his associates get started.

Henry Siler, of Silent Vending, who moved into a new shop out on Pros-pect a while back, is under medical His two sons are handling most care. of the business, but he still has to catch the emergency service calls. Unless his health is better, Siler doesn't expect to attend the big Na-tional Automatic Merchandising Asso-ciation show in Chicago in December, but he will have one of his sons on hand, he declared.

Sizable attendance is expected at the two-day regional meeting of NAMA in the Muehlebach this Fri-day and Saturday with Ralph Dahl, of the Ralph Dahl Company, Omaha, in the chair... Other visitors to the coin machine shops around town in-cluded Paul Garner, checker with A. H. Meyers' Consolidated Amuse-ment Company at Chillicothe, Mo., and Lee Allen, service manager, Aland Lee Allen, service manager. Al-tho Meyers is kept busy with his trading in corn and wheat on the Kansas City Board of Trade he still finds time to keep in close touch with his music and pin route, associates sav

Helen Cigica, Irving Weiler's secretary at Consolidated, is planning to take her vacation. . . John Barabash, field serviceman for Rock-Ola out of Chicago, was in for a session with Consolidated Sales & Service people on his firm's new "visual-cast" projector for training servicemen. Device will project anything from maps to blueprints or pictures and the demonstrator can write on whatever he is projecting. . . . John Masters says that, with the expansion of the restaurant and tavern business here, there are nearly twice as many good loca-tions for jukes and pinballs in the city as before the war... Jim Batter-son is advertising his Jim's Music Service by passing out spazzy white and red automatic pencils.

Glenn Hershberger, longtime op-erator at Marshall, Mo., is reported to have sold his routes to Frank Thompson, who formerly operated around Topeka, Kan. Thompson now is operating out of Waverly, Mo., but he is expected to move his headquar-ters to Lexington soon. Route is ters to Lexington soon. Route is mostly music with some pinballs. Hershberger has operated in this teris ritory about 10 years.

R. I. McBee, manager, of J. Renz Edwards' Cigarette Service Company, just returned from vacationing in Colorado, where he and his wife ran into α snowstorm in mid-August, α very welcome sight after the burning heat of Kansas City. He says the hot winds across Kansas nearly floored him on the return trip. . . . Morton Rothenburg, who was in charge while McBee was gone, is now on vacation in California. . . Edwards, who is still under a doctor's care after his serious illness early this year, gets down to the office a few days at a time, but he has been spending most of the summer in Colorado.





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# The Billboard COINMEN YOU KNOW

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Gordon Sutton, of Illinois Simplex, is back in Chicago after a trip to North Tonawanda, N. Y. New officer

in the corporation, Sutton reports, is

Frank Garnett. . . . Martin Freedman, of Corco Radio, is expected back at

the plant here soon after an extended

trip to the West Coast, Si Logan

Howie Freer; of Empire Coin Ma-

Al Schechter, Howard Machine Prod-

ucts Company, states that the coin typewriters they will handle are due in sometime this week or early next

week. Al reports there is increasing interest being shown by Chicago hotel

owners and managers in coin type-

quarter operation, with dime chutes

being installed at operators' request. Howard Machine will stock a sizable

quantity of the typewriters so as to facilitate quick delivery.

Murray Rosenthal, Coinex Corpo-

Bert Riel, Vendall Company sales

age, Bert said. He looks for shipments

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that production is again rolling off the ... Coin machine service boss,

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reports.

Coven folks. Lookers-in during the past week included Dave Waters, Rock Island, Ill., and Elmer (Happy) Halberstadt, Racine, Wis.

John Neise, O. D. Jennings Western sales manager, reports that firm visi-tors during the week included Fred Anderson, who is well known in New York and New Jersey coin circles. Bill Lipscomb, Eastern sales man-ager at Jennings hurried to Southern Ullipois to see his father who is ill Illinois to see his father, who is ill. The plant in general was looking forward to the big distributor meet which will take place Wednesday (17).

Walter Clark, who operates out of Kenosha, Wis., was among business callers at the Kelner Vendor's headquarters. . . Leon Seigal, the very busy head of Candy Corner, operating firm, is still feeling the effects of the calcium deposit that troubled him so much recently. Leon, however, is carrying on in fine style, despite the inconvenience.

Over at Coin Amusement Games production is going along at a merry clip based on a sharp pick up in clip business following Labor Day, Charlie Schutz disclosed. He also stated that increasing interest is being shown in their conversion of ray guns. Ted Barnham, Aurora, Ill., was a Coin Amusement visitor.

Frank Mencuri, of Exhibit Supply Company, was hard at work on the layouts for the parts catalog his firm is readying for operators. John Chrest, on vacation, returns to the office Monday (15). Buster Williams, well-known Southern coinman, was an Exhibit caller last week. . . Bill Bolles, advertising manager for the Packard Manufacturing Corporation, came in from Indianapolis for a brief visit to the coin machine capital.

CMI's public relations director, Jim Mangan, reports that the checks are rolling in for the Runyon Cancer Fund drive. Among the week's con-tributors was the Amusement Am tributors was the Amusement Ar-cade, Pittsburgh. The arcade sent in a check for \$114.60 via Harry Rosenthal, fund territorial chairman. Mangan said that Rosenthal is hanaround the country the lofty CMI aim will probably be reached. CMI also received notice that the Sheldon Novelty Company, Spokane, has pledged to donate 10 per cent of its coin receipts for the week that ends tonight (13).

H. E. (Tom) Forester, sales engineer for Johnson Fare Box Company, re-ports increased production on the Harris coin changer. Major portion of changer output is being slated for soft drink vender installation. . . . Thomas Andrae has sold his Automatic Ice Cream Service, consisting of a route of cup ice cream venders.

Bally Manufacturing Company's Bally Manufacturing Company's Herb Jones is enthusing over the new one-ball free play and automatic games: Jockey Special and Jockey Club. Herb also looks forward to a good reception on the brand new Bally number introduced this week— the five-ball Silver Streak, George Jenkins, vice-president and general sales manager, flew down to Balti-more September 12 on business.

Al Sebring, Bell Products Company, now has his advertising program, spot-ting the Beacon Electric Coin Changer, in high gear and reports results very satisfactory. Production on the changer is being stepped up and distributors are being appointed on a nationwide basis. Because the coin changing action is completely automatic, Sebring says, service calls for those units on location are "few and far between."

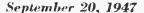


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### **Twin** Cities:

(Continued from page 132) the Aireon Blonde Bombshell and Allied's Strikes 'n' Spares.

Cecil Pence has given up his share in the Automatic Piano Company, Minneapolis, operated by him and his father. Archie. Cecil has bought out the Sports Club, Hudson, Wis., tavern from Ted Clymer, former coinman. Cecil's brother, Alvin, has taken over active management of Automatic . . Dave Chapman, head of Piano. Chappy's Amusement Company, Minneapolis, is planning a double first anniversary celebration-his marriage and his entry into the coin machine husiness.

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Sam Karter, of Star Sales Company, Minneapolis, is back on the job raring to go after a two-week vacation at Medicine Lake, outside the city.....Glen Brewer, ex-G.I., is busy installing new Seeburg phono equipment in numerous of his Min-neapolis locations. . . . Bill Feoste, of Chicago, Seeburg service engineer, is visiting at the Hy-G Music Com-pany offices in Minneapolis.

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Coinmen who visited this market during last week included Carl Schu-macher of St. Cloud, buying phono-graph equipment: W. F. Suprenant, of Red Lake Falls, shopping: Andrew Benna, of Ironwood, Mich., shopping, and Jimmy Francis of Hurley. Wis., ditto.

Lou Rosen, sales manager for Nathanson Cigar & Tobacco Com-pany, Twin Cities tobacco jobbers, and Dora Blumenthal, of Minneapofor jobbers, will exchange marriage vows in ober. . . Another social event at October. the Nathansons is the birth of a daughter, Julie, to Milton Nathan-son, one of the firm heads, and his wife, Carol Bruce, Broadway-Hollywood stage, screen and radio star, Child was born in New York. Child was born in New Fork. B. M. Crippin has been appointed to head up the merchandising staff of the Winston & Newell Company here, large grocery-candy-tobacco jobbers.

The Midwest section of the National Council on Candy met at the Curtis Hotel here for noon luncheon and evening dinner September 3 and launched its campaign for funds. Walter Sandell, of Miss Morris Candies, Minneapolis, was named campaign director. Oscar Trudeau of Trudeau Candies, Inc., St. Paul, vice-president of the council, spoke.





**COIN MACHINES** 

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### Name three-man committee to draw up director slates for convention election

OLD POINT COMFORT, Va., Sept. 13.—Members of the National Auto-matic Merchandising Association's (NAMA) Region III were hosts here this week-end to the national organ-ization's board of directors and some 55 operators manufacturers and supization's board of directors and some 95 operators, manufacturers and sup-pliers in a two-day session Friday and Saturday (12-13). Thursday (11), before the regional meeting got un-der way, NAMA's officers and di-rectors met to iron out details for the association's annual convention and exhibit in Chicago next Decem-ber.

During the directors' meeting 16 points were c on s i d e r e d—ranging from reports by various officers to the selection of a three-man nominating committee which will draw up a slate of candidates for directors' poslate of candidates for directors' po-sitions to be filled during the Decem-ber show. Altho the directors will not reveal their choice prior to the December meeting, they considered candidates and voted for the man who will receive the association's annual award for outstanding con-tributions to the field of automatic merchandising.

Merchancising. A spokesman for the association likewise revealed that NAMA will shortly launch a concerted drive to build membership which now totals approximately 1,000. A series of 10 letters from national and regional officials will be sent to lists of op-erators, manufacturers and suppliers, with the emphasis on operators with the emphasis on operators.

During the directors' meeting board members discussed the possi-bility of opening a West Coast branch office of NAMA, but no decision was reached on this point.

reached on this point. The three-man nominating com-mittee, which according to NAMA by-laws, must meet at least 10 days in advance of the convention to draw up their slate, is composed of Jim Crosby, Peerless Weighing and Vending, New York; Bob Jones, Paramount Distributing Company, Houston, and Ed Chandler, Rowe Service, Los Angeles. Regional officers operators sup-

Service, Los Angeles. Regional officers, operators, sup-pliers and guests registered Friday morning, took the afternoon off for a tour of the Norfolk naval base and a cocktail party. In the evening, at Region III's banquet, principal speaker was Robert Z. Greene, presi-dent of NAMA and president of the Rowe Manufacturing Corporation.

### 5 Success Rules

Greene, speaking on Successful Automatic Merchandising, said there are five rules for success in vending are five rules for success in vending— hard work, attention to detail, skill in dealing with people, keeping in-formed and vision plus courage. Slanting his talk directly to his op-erator listeners, Greene reminded them that aggressive merchandising priniciples were often set aside dur-ing the past five years, but that the industry "now must work to hold old customers and get new ones."

Pointing out the need for unity within the industry, Greene said, "Future prosperity depends upon the progress of automatic merchandising as a whole. One of our biggest prob-lems is discriminatory legislation. "Your job and mine," he added, "is to see that legislators are made to (See NAMA Region, opposite page)

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 13.—Results of a third run on the *Minneapolis Sunday Tribune's* poll of public opinion asking State's citizens whether they approved of Governor Youngdahl's anti-gaming campaign disclosed a definitely growing senti-ment that the drive is "too strict." At two times earlier in the year the poll studied attitude of Minne-sota citizens on the governor's gam-ing policy, found that 70 per cent of the people approved. Now, in the

ment that the drive is "too strict." At two times earlier in the year the poll studied attitude of Minne-sota citizens on the governor's gam-ing policy, found that 70 per cent of the people approved. Now, in the poll for which results were released this week, only 48 per cent think it is "all right," and 44 per cent definitely believe that it is "too strict." Large majority, according to *The Tribune*, feel that if most Minnesotans want gaming devices at fairs and in churches, the Legislature should be asked to change the re-cently enacted legislation at its next session. session.

### List Poll Results

Poll-takers asked the following question: "On the whole, what do you think of Governor Youngdahl's drive against gambling in Minnesota --do you think the campaign is all right, too strict, or not strict enough?" Benlies were as follows: Replies were as follows:

	All	Men	Women
All Right	48%	45%	51%
Too Strict	44%	48%	39%
Not Strict Enough	4%	4%	4%
Undecided	4%	3%	6%
Among young p	eople-	-from	ages 21
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more than the over-all answers, said that they considered the campaign

that they considered the campaign too strict. Broken down by cities, towns and farms, poll results showed as might be expected that city residents were most opposed to the governor's policy. Fifty-one per cent said that they opposed it as too strict, while 38 and 33 per cent from towns and and farms, respectively, held this view. view.

A second question referred spe-

questioned said that they should be permitted, and 52 per cent of the people from 21 thru 20 years of age held to this belief.

# Atlantic City Play To Reap Benefit of

**Night Store Hours** ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 13.—Ex-tra trolley and bus service was pro-vided by the Atlantic City Trans-portation Company Wednesday (10) when the plan for downtown stores to stay open until 9 p.m. on Wednes-days was put into effect. Most of the stores that formerly stay.d open Saturday nights now will close at 6 p. m. on Saturdays. Coinmen and tavern owners were among the first to back the plan,

among the first to back the plan, since it meant that Boardwalk arsince it meant that Boardwark ar-cades and coin machine centers will get the benefit of a good share of the shoppers' extra money. They aren't worried about Saturday nights when the stores will now be closed, stating that the employees that for-merly worked then and visitors to the site will more than the stores of a city will more than take care of any lost biz.

More taverns and night spots planned special events to draw shop-pers to their doors. Coinmen re-ported business the first Wednesday evening the stores stayed open as more than satisfactory.

# **Aireon** Output **Status Is Given** By Greenbaum

September 20, 1947

CHICAGO, Sept. 13.—Temporary suspension of phonograph produc-tion by Aireon Manufacturing Cor-poration, announced in Kansas City, Kan., Friday (12) by Aireon Presi-dent Harold Pearson, was explained here today (13) by Rudy Green-baum, vice-president in charge of phonograph sales.

Greenbaum said that the shut-down would be for a few weeks only, in order to allow solution of an unbalanced inventory problem in components and materials.

He stamped as false rumors to the effect that the shutdown signals the withdrawal of Aireon from the juke

withdrawal of Aireon from the juke box field. "As soon as inventories of parts and components can be brought into balance so that efficient, steady pro-duction can be maintained," he de-clared, "Aireon will resume produc-tion with 90 per cent of output con-centrated on the new Blonde Bomb-shell model. This will be in a mat-ter of weeks."

Greenbaum said that the com-pany's chief inventory problems were in steel and electrical components. While a surplus of some components were on hand, inadequate inven-tories of such items as capacitators and keyboard switches made it im-possible to maintain efficient produc-tion be said

and keyboard switches made it im-possible to maintain efficient produc-tion, he said. He emphasized that the most im-portant problem is steel. Because the firm's product uses only a limited amount of steel, Aireon faces the problems of the relatively small steel buyer in not being able to obtain a continuous flow of this material. Complicating factor, said Green-baum, is the switch to production of the new model juke box. Altho production rates had enabled the firm to meet production schedules on the Fiesta model—which will continue as a member of the firm's phono-graph line—it was necessary to build up inventories on parts and mate-rials used in the new model before concentrating the plant's main pro-duction in this field. Four hundred employees were fur-loughed from the firm's Fairfax plant in Kansas City, Kan., according to the announcement from Pearson. Meanwhile, a production of firm's radio speaker.

## How Essential Is A Coinman's Car?

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Sept. 13.-Pointing up just how modern indus-try is dependent upon the auto, which at one time in the not too distant past was considered a luxury, is the following letter recently re-ceived by Tradio, Inc., pioneer manu-facturer of con-operated radios:

ceived by Tradio, Inc., pioneer manu-facturer of coin-operated radios: "I do not have a car. I will not pay these high prices for one. If I am to operate a route I'll need one. If I send you an order for \$500 worth of Tradios cash, can your com-pany get me a 1947 model at retail price cash? (Signed) R. J. Hoffman

(Signed) R. J. Hoffman,

P.S.—Coinman Hoffman did not get his car.



IACK R. MOORE, well-known Pacific Northwest coinman, eves the citation that accompanied his Exceptional Service Medal, awarded by the War Department for distinguished service as commander of Civil Air Patrol units during the war years. Moore held the rank of major, was commended several times.

### **RECORDS MOST-PLAYED ON THE AIR** (Continued from page 36) 8 2 1 -14 1 R 14 7 17 1 **Coming Up**

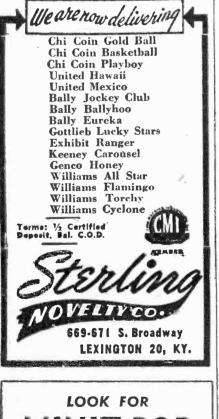
I WISH I DIDN'T LOVE YOU SO (F) ......Vaughn Monroe-Moon Maids.... Victor 20-2294-ASCAP I WISH I DIDN'T LOVE YOU SO (F) .....Betty Hutton (Joe Lilley Ork)... Capitol 409-ASCAP

# NAMA Region 3 Plays Host **To Directors; Plans Dec. Meet**

(Continued from opposite page) understand the real facts about our business."

Saturday's business session likewise touched on the legislative scene. C. S. Darling, executive secretary of outlined the association's NAMA. work thruout the nation, while B. W. Scheuer, Baltimore, and E. W. Chris-tian, Richmond, presented a report of conditions affecting the business in their States.

After these legislative reports, op-erators heard a discussion of the problems confronting candy operators in hot weather, presented by Sam Roth. Roth's suggestions were fol-lowed by remarks from Lewis Gru-





ber, sales manager, P. Lorillard; I. H. Houston, Spacarb, Inc.; W. H. Maichle, vice-president, Beechnut Packing Company, and W. B. Riley, vice-president, Brock Candy Company.

### **Operators'** Forum

Uperators' Forum Final feature of the morning ses-sion was an operators' forum at which J. Herman Saxon, chairman of NAMA Region IV was moderator. Op-erators participating in the forum were J. B. Delbridge, D. R. Drew-yer, Joseph Eckford, Myer Gelfand, Charles Greasley, Marcus Kaplan and Frederick Kayser.

At the concluding luncheon, Satur-day noon, George M. Seedman, gen-eral chairman of NAMA's 1947 con-vention and exhibit, outlined highvention and exhibit, outlined high-lights of the association's program for the December date. His talk was followed by an address by the Hon. J. Vaughn Gary, member of the House of Representatives from the third district, Virginia. Gary spoke briefly of the growth of automatic merchandising, concluded with a summary of important national and international issues facing this nainternational issues facing this nation.

Where operators gathered outside the scheduled meetings, availability and prices were the main topics of conversation. Most of the manufacturers' representatives present told operators that one of the chief keys to equipment production is steel, and that equipment prices—which every-one admits are too high—cannot drop until manufacturers find more ef-ficient production methods and less expensive materials.

### Chicle Prices Up

Altho chewing gum is now in a relatively free market, Maichle, of Beechnut, reminded operators that Beechnut, reminded operators that chicle prices have jumped from an average of 50 cents per pound 'in 1941 to \$1.90 per pound today. He said he expects synthetic chicle will help somewhat, but added that the quality of gum cannot be maintained at its present high standards if too much substitution is made.

There were no official statements from candy bar makers attending the meeting, but operators of candy ma-chines gathered that soon there is going to be another reduction in the size of chocolate bars, as candy makers strive to help venders and other retailers to maintain the nickel price price

Office of Coin Firm NEW YORK, Sept. 13 .- Effective immediately the sales offices of Amusement Enterprises, Inc., will be located at 324 Clarkson Avenue, Brooklyn, instead of 2 Columbus Circle, George Ponser and Irving Kaye

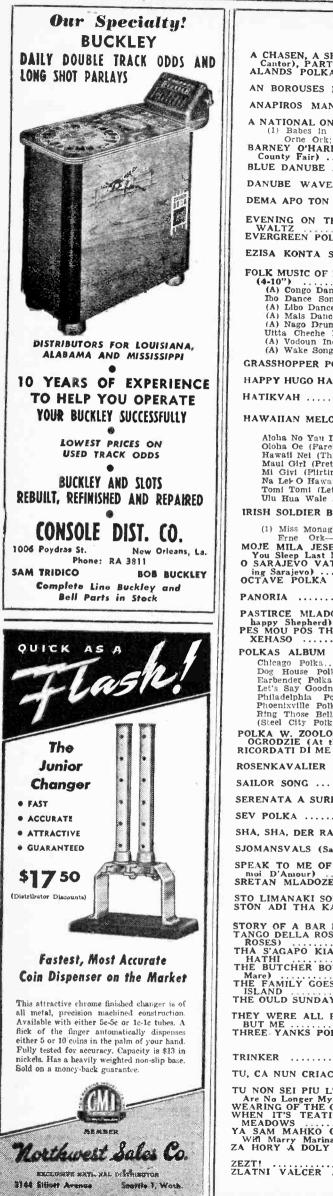


FORT WORTH, Sept. 13.—Depart-ment store sales here during August showed a 3 per cent rise over the corresponding 1946 period, according to a report by the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.

announced this week. The organization is shipping its latest roll-down amusement game machine, Big City, to distributors thruout the country. Bank of Dallas. Largest State gain in such sales was in San Antonio where sales rose ever, in Houston they took a 1 per cent dip, while Dallas stores lost 6 per cent. 6 per cent.



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### **ORE. GAME ORDER**

(Continued from page 109) but the policy has been that these clubs might be regarded as private homes—"a man's castle." In Multnomah County (where Portland is located), Sheriff Martin Pratt said that in view of the fact that the State collects a privilege tax on an anusement device he would on an amusement device he would take the position that until a machine is observed to be operating under a payout principle it is nothing more

than an anusement machine. Action of the attorney general con-stituted another unfavorable develop-ment, following what was agreed to be a new and excessive levy against straight amusement games in the 1947 straight amusement games in the 1947 tax law. At the time, the majority of trade members here attributed the setback to lack of an aggressive as-sociation which could have presented its side of the picture. Altho a com-mittee was formed with the objective of launching an association, and meetings held, coinmen here still have not found the answer to this need.

### **BIG FETE FOR CMI** (Continued from page 109) Inc. are in red and white, 2 by inches. They read: Help Fight Cancer! Play "Ella" and "You're the Sunshine of My Heart". 2½ inches. For Damon Runyon football game. Cancer Fund Sponsored by Coin Machine Industries, Inc. Week of September 20-28 has been especially designated for a special drive on this number and CMI is be obtained from the CMI office. THE RESPONSE TO OUR "HOUSE CLEANING SALE" WAS TERRIFIC SO HERE WE GO AGAIN **Sood** clean equipment in perfect mechanical condition \$30.00 EACH OR 4 FOR \$100.00 1 Gun Club 1 Hi Dive 1 Horoscope 1 Invasion Big Parade Bolaway Captain Kidd Catalina Dixie Dude Ranch Eagle Squadron Five-Ten-Twenty Fieet (P.B.) Four Ross 1 Jeep 1 Jungle 3 Keep 'Em Flying 2 Knockout 1 Legionnaire 1 Majors, '41 1 Marines \$45.00 EACH OR 4 FOR \$150.00 2 Canteen (Pre-War) 2 Flat Top 2 Laura 4 Liberty 1 Oklahomä 1 Santa Fe 2 Baffle Card 6 Blg Hit 2 Canteen ... 1 Mystery ... **NEW GAMES** . . . Write for Prices Gottlieb BOWLING LEACUE United HAWAII ABT CHALLENGER OLIVE NOVELITY CO. 2023 LUCAS AVE., ST. LOUIS 3, MO. 1Phone: Franklin 36201 4. PERSource 11 192 121 SEE THE Blonde Powers

### **RESUMED OUTPUT**

(Continued from page 110) that Chapter 11 was applicable to his

that Chapter 11 was applicable to his firm. It will allow reorganization of the firm with practically no stop-page in manufacture or shipping. Nearly 5,000 games are on order. Starting approximately October 13, the company will turn out the 20 units per day.

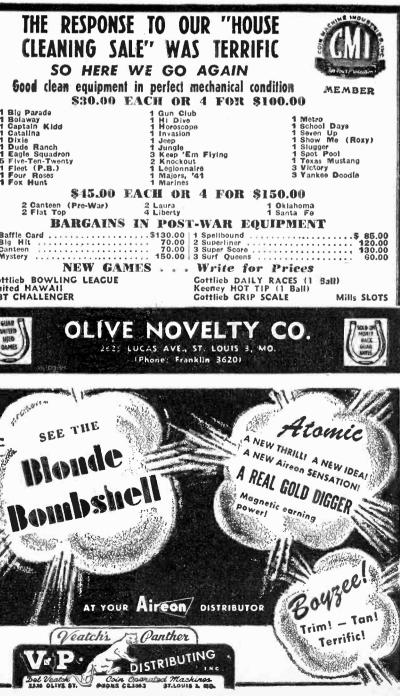
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No schedule has yet been filed with Hugh L. Dickson, referee. The firm has until September 25 to do this. A list of liabilities is now being compiled. Assets are esti-mated at \$800,000. Volunteer receivership was asked for the Schender Wasterpring and Call

for the Schrader Electronics and Coil Corporation.

### JENNINGS MEETING

(Continued from page 110) dealers from all parts of the country will be on hand for the day's ac-tivities. He disclosed also that at the conclusion of business the Jen-nings' firm will play host at a dinner party at the Illinois Athletic Club here, followed by the group's en masse attendance at the Chicago Bears-Washington Redskins night



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# ALBUM REVI

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### PERCY FAITH (Majestic MZ-5)

Scoring a set of six familiar screen and stage songs with rich instru-mental color in the harmonies of the strings and woodwinds, to which is blended symphonic overtones and a pronounced rhythmic beat, maestro Percy Faith provides easy and pleas-Percy Faith provides easy and pleas-ant listening for those desiring the everlasting song favorites in full in-strumental dress. Selections take in Temptation, Begin the Beguine, The Touch of Your Hand, All Thru the Night, Dancing in the Dark and That Old Black Magic. Records shipped without album cover for review without album cover for review.

### SONGS BY ARTHUR GODFREY (Crown 11)

Pattering his piping, and depending on his charm of intimacy rather than upon his rusty baritone voice to pro-ject the song lyric, radio's Arthur Godfrey puts himself over for this set of six songs. Is more at home set of six songs. Is more at home when he adds a character impression to his chant, doing a minstrel man turn for Bert Williams's Nobody, and spinning as the barefoot boy for the Freckles oldie. He's the "lover" for Melancholy Baby, the "romanticist" for Where the Mountains Meet the Moon, the "sailor" for Blow the Man Down, with Little Brown Jug polish-ing off the set. His first venture on wax. radio popularity of Godfrey wax, radio popularity of Godfrey should enhance much the set's selling appeal without disappointing the fans too much. Picture of the radio talent scout on the front cover with another picture of Godfrey at the mike plus biog notes for the inside pages.

### **BEECHAM FAVORITES**-Sir Thomas Beecham (Victor DM-1141)

It's three classical B's for this set of three 12-inch records originally cut in England. With Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra, it's a bril-liant orchestral interpretation of Borodin's Prince Igor overture and Berlioz's Royal Hunt and Storm music and The Train March both from his and The Trojan March, both from his opera, The Trojans. Beecham gives the pieces a vivid reading, bringing out all of their musical brilliance and melodic beauty. Excepting for the March, this is the first time that the music has been made available do-mestically. Portrait photo of the maestro against a sheet music background makes for an attractive album cover with notes on the music for the inside page.

### GYPSY FIRE MUSIC-Emery Deutsch (Majestic M-18)

The broad tone and soulful stringing of his Guarnieri fiddle is show-cased colorfully and melodically as violinist-maestro Emery Deutsch cased colorfully and melodically as violinist-maestro Energy Deutsch leads an ensemble for this  $s \cdot of$ six Romany folk melodies. The spin-ning giving out an easy flow of the bitter-sweet gypsy melodies, Deutsch uses a full orchestra for a colorful arrangement of his own Play, Fiddle, Play. And with a small gypsy string ensemble, the Deutsch fiddling flashes for Violets, Submission, Romanu Rofor Violets, Submission, Romany Ro-mance, Miska Borzo's Csardas and mance, Miska Borzo's Csardas and the Danube Waves more familiar to-day as the Anniversary Song. Color-ful drawing of the gypsy campfire setting makes for cover attraction, with notes on the maestro and the music for the inside page.

### A WAGNER PROGRAM-Arturo Toscanini (Victor DM-1135)

records spin out A Siegfried Idyll, A Faust Overture and The Ride of the Valkyries. Figures symbolic of the music lend eye-appeal to the album cover with notes on the music filling the inside course filling the inside cover.

### THE PRETTIEST SONG IN THE WHOLE WORLD-Dame May Whitty (Victor Y-332)

Over two plastic 10-inch records, Dame May Whitty keeps the young-sters enchanted as she tells the story of the little boy who seeks the pret-tiest melody in the whole world. With the Sportsmen and an unbilled fem voice singing the songs, Lehman Engel providing the orchestral music, Engel providing the orchestral music, he hears songs of a cowboy, a huckster, the train, birds, river, city and circus. But it's his mother's lullaby that's prettiest. Color draw-ing of mother and boy makes for the cover design with the two inside covers carrying all the song lyrics. Tiny tots will take to this set in a big way.

### DEBUSSY: SONATA NO. 3 FOR VIOLIN AND PIANO—Zino Francescatti and Robert Casadesus (Columbia MX-280)

Playing with full craftsmanship and meticulous in bringing out the composition's harmonic subtleties, it's a luminous chamber music perform-ance by violinist Zino Francescatti and pianist Robert Casadesus for Claude Debussy's Sonata No. 3, his last fully-completed work. And while last fully-completed work. And while it's without any overt melodies, the two artists give the impressionist piece a highly sensitive and artistic performance to delight lovers of chamber music. Sonata takes three of the four 12-inch sides in the set, filling out with Ravel's *Berceuse*. Album cover is a title page with pictures of the two artists and notes on the music filling the inside page.

### POPULAR ORGAN SOLOS-Don Baker (Columbia C-137)

Playing the grand organ at New York's Paramount Theater, Don Baker displays full command and rhythmic feel of the console for a medley of 14 show and pop favorites of yesteryear. Spinning over eight sides, contrasting the tempo and taksides, contrasting the tempo and tak-ing some of the songs with full tempo liberty, the 14 standards start off with *Embraceable You* and finish with *I Love a Parade*. And for those desir-ing organ melodies on the disk, Baker's efforts are more than satis-fying. Organ manual makes for the cover design with the inside page blank, altho picture and notes on the organist would be most fitting and help much in the merchandising of the package. the package.

### BACH: CONCERTO IN D MINOR FOR TWO VIOLINS AND ORCHESTRA-Jascha Heifetz (Victor DM-1136)

It wasn't so long ago that Nelson Eddy resolved himself into an entire male quartet, and before that, swingmaster Sydney Bechet recorded a one an jam session. And now, it's concert fiddler Jascha Heifetz as twins, another technical achievement twins, another technical achievement for the disking engineers in blending the playing of the fiddle master for both parts to Bach's famous Con-certo in D Minor for Two Violins. The RCA Victor Chamber Orchestra, conducted by Franz Waxman and kept to the string side of the original Bach scoring helps to make it a Bach scoring, helps to make it a delight for the music lovers. Re-corded separately and then syn-chronized on master disks, it's the Heifetz tone and technical dexterity Arturo Toscanini, conducting the NBC Symphony Orchestra, gives a well-proportioned and thoroly mas-terful performance for three of Wag-ner's more picturesque and melo-dious compositions. Tailored to con-form to every confirmed Wagnerite's individual taste, the four 12-inch

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## Commerce Dept. New Pinball Decals **Ups** Service to **Small Business**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13.-Office of Small Business disclosed recently that for the first time information on what the government is purchasing, its source, and how the contracts are let is now available to business men at field offices of the U.S. Department of Commerce in 46 cities in this country and Alaska.

In explaining the innovation, J. L. Kelly, director of the Office of Small Business, stated: "In the past many small manufacturers and suppliers have had difficulty in offering their wares because insufficient informa-tion concerning who buys what. Now tion concerning who buys what. Now they can learn all they need to know by making one call on a commerce field office. All the necessary in-formation has been compiled in a single manual for the use of the field offices in assisting both the govern-ment agencies and small business men." men.

men." Kelly also pointed out that his of-fice is working toward the limiting of federal specifications to the es-sential elements and to bring about the development of zone purchasing in smaller lots. "In the past," Kelly disclosed, "many small business men have been prohibited from bidding by difficult specifications and poli-cies that called for purchases in quantities that the small operator was unable to supply."

Offices of the government agency will furnish data on procurement by all federal groups including army, navy, agriculture, interior, commerce, justice, post office as well as the





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According to Pincus, the decals each contain 10 colors and are avail-able for playfields and backboard glass. Special decals for bumpers are also made.

Eureau of Federal Supply, which is the buying unit for all government agencies, Kelly said.

Famed Ariz. City Plans New Taxes

TOMBSTONE, Ariz., Sept. 13.—City council of this famed community, which was once dubbed the "town too tough to die," has proposed an ordinance for licensing all juke boxes

and cigarette vending machines. Proposed ordinance would provide for a license of \$18 a year for me-chanical devices, \$12 a year for juke boxes and \$25 a year for cigarette venders. It would also stipulate that no coin-operated music boxes be played from 1 a.m. to 8 a.m. Residents say there is little doubt

the proposal will fail to pass, but

they point out one juke box in the city will probably escape the tax. It is a music machine on display in the Bird Cage Theater which houses many relics of the days when Tomb-stone was a rough mining camp.

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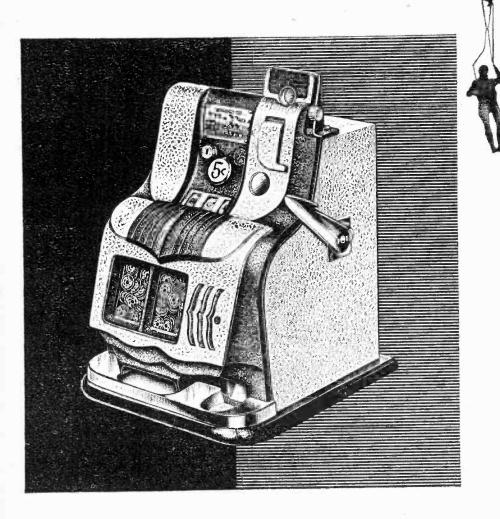
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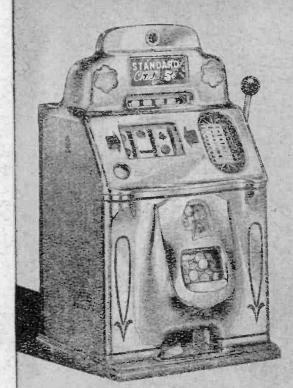
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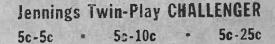
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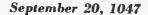
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