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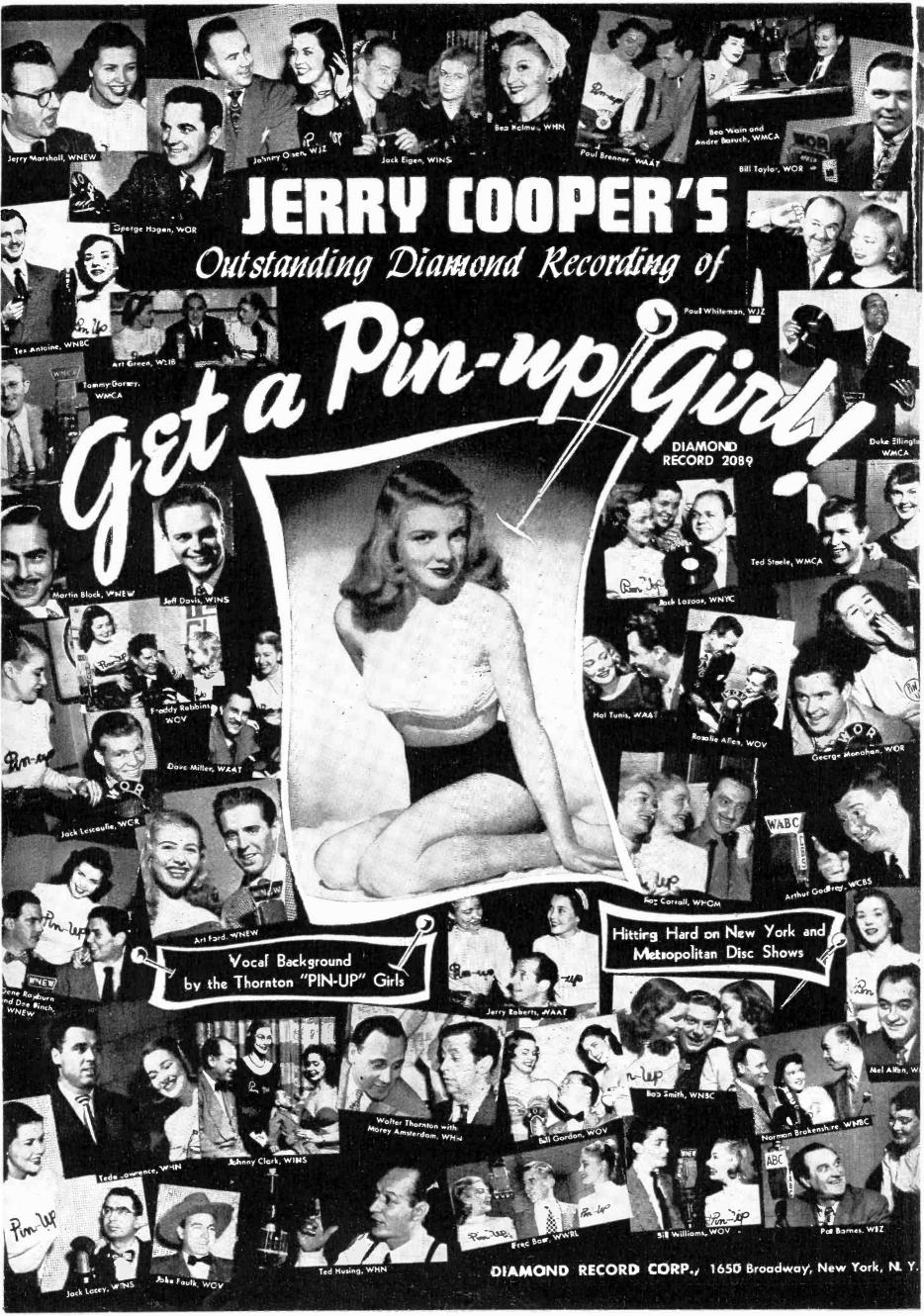
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"Get a Pin-Up Girl" continues to get a razzle-dazzle promotion ob, currently on the Jerry Cooper-Diamond recording of the tune, written (believe it or not) by a lad named Don Wolf. On the Cooper platter the pert Walter Thornton foursome shown here do vocal background to Jerry's lyricizing. And the singer is set for a promotional tour on which a bevy of pin-up lasses will accompany him.

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NEW WAX OUTLETS VOOM

### Want To Work Australia? Take It Away, **Okay, But Read Your Pact;** It's Not All Milk and Honey

#### Sybil Bowman Gives Some Useful Tips to Road-Hungry

impressionist who has returned from Australia, gives some simple advice to performers intending to work in Australia: "Read your contract." She

### **Juke Unions** Join Detroit **Nitery Fight**

DETROIT, April 10.-Violence. arrests, more court action and a widening united union front characterized the second week of open warfare between the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) and the of Variety Artists (AGVA) and the American Society of Arts and Talents (ASAT) here. Focal point was the Ship Cafe, where picket lines con-tinued to march nightly with affili-ated craft unions supporting AGVA in its position, while an eight-act show went on inside. Latest entry into the picture was the Service Drivers and Helpers' Local 985. This group, covering juke box and other coin machine service-(See Juke Bor Union on page 37)

**Garden Preem** 

**Rings Gong** 

cates smash b.-o. year

**Big Show Off** 

MIAMI, April 10.-Sybil Bowman, said the headaches most performers run into Down Under can be traced to the fact they did not read their contracts before leaving the States. For example: An act is assured 20 weeks' work, but when the performer gets there, he finds out that the 20 gets there, he finds out that the 20 weeks are not consecutive and he has to lay off for weeks and weeks. There are only five cities on the Tivoli Theater circuit: Sydney, Mel-bourne, Perth, Adelaide and Bris-bane. Of these five, only Sydney and Malbeurge are playable 19 granthe a Melbourne are playable 12 months of the year, the rest of the circuit being closed for months on account of weather.

> An act is booked on a six-week An act is booked on a six-week contract to play Sydney or Mel-bourne. After closing at either of these two cities, there is a lay-off of at least a week before moving to the second city for another six weeks.

> "Tho the distance between Mel-bourne or Sydney is only 500 miles," Miss Bowman said, "the antiquated system makes it such that you don't open, and are not paid, for at least a week.

a week. "And after you've moved to Sydney from Melbourne, or from Melbourne to Sydney, you can't play the first city again for months unless you've (See Juke Box Union on page 37) (See It's Great To Play on page 35)

### **Danton Walker!**

MONTREAL, April 10.-The 15 per cent salary deduction faced by U. S. performers playing Canadian dates is merely a guarantee taken by the Canadian government against future

Contrary to a report (Danton Walker in *The New York Daily News*) that the 15 per cent slice was a result of the current U. S. dollar crisis in Canada, in which Ottawa was attempting to build up her supply of U. S. bucks, the deduction law has (See Take It, Walker! on page 14)

### **Philly Back** In Big Time NEW YORK, April 10.—Philadel-

phia, once a big buyer of name talent, is back in the market again with at least three spots bidding against each other for the available attractions.

Up to about a month ago the Latin Casino, the only big nitery in town, had things its own way. With the Casino, the only big nitery in town, had things its own way. With the Coronet and the Mocambo dark, there wasn't another spot in town that meant anything. Frank Palumbo's Click wasn't in the act buying biz, being stright a name band spot being strictly a name band spot.

Last January Marty Goldberg opened a room at Chateau Crillon and started to look around for something. He came up with a couple of semi-names but nothing solid. couple of weeks ago Mort Casway, who runs a cocktail lounge, the (See PHILLY BACK on page 35) who runs

### Labels Spring Tricks, Keep **Disks Flowing**

#### Master Deals, New Cuts Pop

NEW YORK, April 10 .- Petrillo's ban shows no immediate signs of re-lenting, but the diskers continue to dig up new wax, revitalize old pre-ban masters that pop up in amazing frequency, negotiate for foreign-made masters, record their own stuff a capella or with non-union instru-mentalists . . . in short, go thru a whole bag of tricks to keep the new releases coming and to cover the demand tunes.

Plus the scramble to "cover" the Nature Boy ditty (see other story, this department), new master activity in-(See LABELS BUSILY on page 15)

### Shuberts' FM **Plugs To Sell** Legit Ducats

#### **Programs Will Use Stars**

NEW YORK, April 10.—A new legit-radio tie-up was in the offing this week as the Shuberts and FM Station WGYN neared the pacting Station WGYN neared the pacting stage on a new type of radio program, to be produced jointly and titled The Box Office of the Air. Deal calls for two airers daily, seven days a week, to detail late seat availabilities in the 15 legit houses currently controlled by the Shuberts and, thru a special battery of switchboards, accept phone orders for ducats from listeners. By arrangement with the various pro-ducers of the shows involved, the stars of those shows would rotate, making appearances for interviews and possibly portraying excerpts from the shows on the air. The latest of a flow of promotions by the energetic FM outlet, the new (See Shuberts to Use on page 8)

New and old skillfully

blended --- advance indi-

By Jim McHugh NEW YORK, April 10.—Something old and something new were added to the approximately 29 acts held over from last year for the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus preem in Madison Square Garden here Wednesday night (7). The expert know-how blending and staging of talent resulted in a stellar circus production justifying the Big Show's right to the continued use of its plug

right to the continued use of its plug line. "The Greatest Show on Earth." Few spectators left before the mid-night ending of the lengthy opening night performance which began at 8:40 p.m. Their enthusiastic response to the efforts of the troupers assured the success of the show's remaining 64 performances which end Sunday, May 9. Also, the reception accorded here should foretell for John Ringling

#### Another 1947?

NEW YORK, April 10 .- With NEW YORK, April 10.—With all week-end performances al-ready sold out, plus near-capac-ity at yesterday's matinee and night show, the Ringling circus appeared to be heading for a gross on a par with last year's record estimated \$2,000,000 take. The record \$6 tariff charged again this year for choice pews The record \$6 tariff charged again this year for choice pews apparently was no drawback. The circus announced Thursday (8), second day of the 33-day run, that all week-end ducats, except for the eagle-perched \$1.20 seats, were gone. Some parents were outraged, Saturday mats being the only chance for their kids to see the show. Fact is, ticket brokers have plenty of choice pews which are available choice pews which are available at cost plus brokerage fees—if you can ante up that kinda dough.

North, circus prexy and producer, a big season under canvas in the hin-terlands. The \$6 top charged here makes possible per performance grosses of about \$30,000. Last year (See R-B BLENDS on page 45)

### TV Airs All 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Hours of It

Big Start

Cameras pick up thrills in close-ups-long show gives opportunity for experiment

#### By Paul Ackerman

By Paul Ackerman NEW YORK, April 10.—Debut per-formance of the Madison Square Gar-den run of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus was telecast in its entirety Wednesday (7), the running time stretching from 8:30 p.m. to 12:05 a.m. The circus's open-ing performance generally runs la-mentably overtime, but on this occaing performance generally runs la-mentably overtime, but on this occa-sion, from the standpoint of the de-veloping video art, the lengthy session was welcome in that it gave ample time to analyze video's present-day techniques with regard to the coverage of spectacles.

age of spectacles. In general, the coverage by the video technicians of the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) was good. Two cameras were used in the CBS cage, and these were able to get (See TV AIRS R-B on page 14)

Seek New Title For 'Prostitute'

NEW YORK, April 10.—Stem legit is facing again a threat of cen-sorship. Bronx Councilman Edward Cunningham in a letter to License Commissioner Fielding yesterday (9) asked that the title of *The Respect-ful Prostitute* be changed or else some action will be taken. Cunning-ham also claims that the title out-rages common decency, and that it is serving only as a b.-o. come-on. The councilor had intended to introduce a bill in the city council asking that sufficient authority be granted to the license commissioner to exercise his censorship prerogative, but a state-*(See Councilor Seeks on page 40)* NEW YORK, April 10.-Stem

### Haylofts Smack Those Qualms **Equity - Guild** Worries Over, **Plans Rushed**

#### Strawhat Sked Worked Out

NEW YORK, April 10 .- Barn theater impresarios have been over-all slow in their preparations for a 1948 hayloft season. Equity's early decision in favor of radical changes in member working conditions put a scare on the smaller operators. The Dramatist Guild's (DG) bid for 5 per cent of the gross against a guaranteed der among the bigger managements. However, with Equity's reversal of its stand and a return to more or less the old working status, and now that DG has somewhat reduced its de-mands due to protests by play agents, plans for the summer season are calidly under work solidly under way.

How good it will be coinwise, naturally depends on the international situation. War clouds are a dire threat to summer theater. Already

(See SLOW START on page 40)

#### **Spare a Razor?**

NEW YORK, April 10.—If you hap-pen to have a beat-up electric razor that you don't need, the Masonic Service Association in Washington would like to have it to pass on to the Veterans' Administration hos-pitals thruout the country. You may send your razor to Capt. M. M. With-erspoon, Masonic Hall, 71 West 23d Street, New York 10. Electric razor companies have agreed to repair or replace the razors, which will then be distributed to vets according to need—first, to the blind; second, the maimed, and third, the nervous. maimed, and third, the nervous.

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### Berlin Buzzes: 17 Niteries, 3 Vaudes, 28 Legits, 3 Circs

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BERLIN, April 10.—From the standpoint of both managers and performers, the outlook for Berlin showbiz looks brighter of late. As of this month, there are 28 legit theaters in operation, as well as three big vaude houses and 17 night clubs. Figures on theater attendance for 1947 tallied 3,318,091, with the Metropol reporting 700,000; the State Opera House, 443,939, and the Civic Opera House 329,540. With the summer season three

BERLIN, April 10.—From the dancers, etc.) got the top ration allot-standpoint of both managers and ment only when they appeared at ment only when they appeared at one of the three big vaude housesthe Neue Scala, Titania, Freidrich-stadt Palast—or with circuses. The new rule, however, gives top ration-ing to these acts no matter where they perform.

for 1947 tallied 3,318,091, with the Metropol reporting 700,000; the State Opera House, 443,939, and the Civic Opera House 329,540. With the summer season three circuses, two or three beer garden shows and a variety-outdoor show are on schedule. The recent order of the allied com-mand revised the food ration card for showbiz in Germany. Prior to the order, acts which called for heavy work (acrobats, trapeze artists,

### FCC Investigators in L. A. **On KMPC Probe; Case Used** As Anti - Clear "Argument"

#### Senator Johnson Warns Against "Power" Concentration

WASHINGTON, April 10. — The KMPC case (*The Billboard*, March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3) flared into the Senate Interstate and Foreign Com-merce Committee hearings on the Johnson bill to break down clear channels this week when Sen. Edwin C. Johnson (D., Colo.), a member of the committee and author of the Anti-Clear Channel Bill, called the com-mittee's attention to "the vast power" vested in clear channel stations and cited the KMPC case. KMPC, a clear channel station in

KMPC, a clear channel station in Los Angeles, twice entered the hear-(See KMPC CASE on page 6)

out and mail it today.

HOLLYWOOD, April 10. — Two representatives of the Federal Com-munications Commission (FCC) slipped into town last week and started their probe into the news slanting charges brought against G. A. Richards's 50,000-watt indie station. KMPC. FCC investigators Raymond Lewis and Robert Alford arrived Wednesday (7) and immediately started interviewing persons who had filed depositions with the commission. Lewis told *The Billboard* that he and Alford would be on the scene for an unlimited period gathering informa-(See FCC Reps Begin on page 6)

### **Insure Your Vote**

Each year for the past four years voting on the part of the people of the theater for the Donaldson Awards has increased. Now as preparations for the Fifth Annual Donaldson Awards get under way, the Awards committee wishes to do everything possible to see that everyone in the theater has an opportunity to vote. Early in May ballots and instructions are delivered by hand to the theaters to all the players appearing on Broadway at the time. In order to get ballots to players who will not be appearing on Broadway early in May, The Billboard, sponsor of the Donaldson Awards, would like to have the names and addresses of such players, so that a ballot may be properly mailed to them. Make certain of your vote for the Donaldson Awards, the thea-ter's own selections of its "bests." Fill out the coupon below and return it to The Billboard today.

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#### AFM's Rival

NEW YORK, April 10.—The Billboard is in receipt this week of a publicity release which at first glance seemed to hold titillating allure for tootlers in a season when jobs are not too abundant. It began:

"So you want to lead a band! Here's an opportunity for a mu-sical career with an outfit of prestige."

prestige." Said outfit turns out to be the United States Army. ("Vacan-cies exist for all classes of in-struments.") Capt. Francis Resta, director of West Point's band, will be happy to "audition any qualified musician." The an-nouncement says tootlers will qualified musician." The an-nouncement says tootlers will start with the grade of staff ser-geant—which pays at a rate of well over 25 bucks a week. Hurry, hurry, hurry!

#### **Benefit at Garden** For World's Kids

NEW YORK, April 10 .--- Plans for a benefit command performance at Madison Square Garden Tuesday evening, May 25, to aid the children of the world were announced this of the world were announced this week at the New York City campaign headquarters of the American Over-seas Aid and United Nations Appeal for Children. Harry Brandt, chairman of the spe-

Harry Brandt, chairman of the spe-cial events committee of the appeal, named Earl Wilson, New York news-paper columnist, to head the execu-tive committee. Wilson named the following to his committee: Sam Rauch, production; Harry Mandel, public relations; Carl Erbe, night clubs; Mrs. Arthur Gray, tickets, and Morton Sunshine, co-ordination. Tickets are on sale at the Hotel Astor, Room 172. Prices scale from \$1.20 to \$12.

#### Ice Theater for Havana

HAVANA, April 10. — A \$750,-000, 6,000-seat theater to be used solely for ice spectacles will open here in June. It is being built by Alfredo Hornedo, newspaper publisher.

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NARBA DELAY AIDS CLEARS

#### H.S.T.OK on Durr Reported All Set

WASHINGTON, April 10.-President Truman has decided to renominate Federal Communications Commissioner (FCC) Clifford J. Durr for another term, authoritative Washington sources stated this week. Durr's present term expires June 30.

Wholehearted support for Durr has been forthcoming from many segments of broadcasting, education and labor fields. It is also said FCC Chairman Wayne Coy has signified his desire to retain Durr as a commissioner.

### **NBC** Reshuffles Seg Execs in Further Reorg

NEW YORK, April 10 .- The programing department of the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) has undergone a further reorganization, with Tom McCray, national program manager, announcing the following reshuffle:

Fred Shawn, executive assistant to McCray, has resigned to become man-ager of television and broadcast op-erations of WMAL and WMAL-TV, Washington. Arch Robb, formerly assistant production manager, now is assistant manager of the program deperpartment in charge of program oper-ations and office administration. James E. Kovach, formerly an NBC director, is now manager of the opdirector, is now manager of the op-erations division, a newly created unit in the program department. Assistant producers who formerly were in the production division will now report to Kovach. Norman Cloutier, program manager of the NBC radio recording division, has joined the web as a staff con-ductor

ductor.

Since the accession of Ken Dyke as programing chief, this phase of the web's operation has been continually changing, personnel-wise

#### Ehrenreich Rises In WOR Shuffle

NEW YORK, April 10.—Dan Ehr-enreich, formerly production man-ager, has been named program oper-ations manager of WOR, New York; Jeff Smith takes over the vacated spot of production manager, while Smith's post goes to William Taylor. Frank Muckenhaupt has become a Frank Muckennaupt has become a production supervisor, and Eugene Fitts assistant to the program oper-ations manager. Fitts's former post of continuity acceptance editor will be filled by Robert Sedwick, formerly an assistant to the WOR traf-fic manager. Carl Warren, in addition to duties as staff announcer, has been named member of the WOR program

WOR still has not named a full-fledged program director.

DETROIT, April 10.— A new women's show, Dorothy Daraday, has been signed by WJBK for sponsor-ship by the American Association of Retail Druggists in a co-operative sponsor deal. The account was signed by the W. B. Doner Agency. The show will run for 15 minutes at 10:30 a.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.

### **ABC Loses Out On Chance To** Buy Chi's WLS

CHICAGO, April 10.---Under stipulations of the will of Burridge D. Butler, farm magazine publisher and owner of WLS, American Broadcasting Company (ABC) part-time outlet ing Company (ABC) part-time outlet here, and other radio properties, pos-sibility of the sale of WLS to ABC were nixed. The will of Butler, who died at Phoenix, Ariz., March 30, was read this week. ABC has been trying to buy WLS, which shares time with ABC's Chi o-and-o station, WENR, for more than a your for more than a year.

Butler's will stipulated that three of his major holdings, WLS; *Prairie Farmer*, rural magazine, and KTUC, Tucson, Ariz., should be placed in the Burridge B. Butler Memorial Trust of Chicago, with the income to go to the Chicago Community Trust, a charitable organization. The will also stipulated that the properties are to be managed by five trustees and that they are not to be sold for at least 10 years. It is the latter point which removes possibility of sale of WLS to ABC.

Trustees named to handle the Chicago trust properties are George R. Cook, treasurer of WLS; Arthur C. Page, associate editor of *Prairie* Farmer and farm program director of WLS: Gus A. Holt, vice-president of Prairie Farmer and WLS and circulation manager of Prairie Farmer; Thomas Murphy, vice-president of both companies and general counsel; J. E. Edwards, secretary of the companies and advertising manager of Prairie Farmer, and Fred W. Orle-mann, treasurer and business manager of Prairie Farmer.

Significant in the appointment of trustees was the fact that Glenn Snyder, manager of WLS and a stockholder who has been reported in favor of selling WLS to ABC in the past, was not named. Whether or not Snyder will remain with WLS is not known at this time, but there are reports that other radio interests have been offering him positions.

Butler's stock in KOY, Phoenix, was placed in another trust, with proceeds to be used for charitable pur-poses in Arizona. Butler's entire estate, including annuities left to Mrs. Butler and other kin, was estimated to be worth about \$2,000,000.

#### ABC, MBS Win 2d **Round in WSAY Suit**

NEW YORK, April 10.-American Broadcasting Company (ABC) and the Mutual Broadcasting System the Mutual Broadcasting System (MBS) won their second round this week in the restraint suit brought against them by Gorden Brown, owner of WSAY, Rochester. The de-velopment was a decision by the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals up-holding an earlier Federal Court de-cision denying an injunction against the two webs. WSAY had sought an injunction restraining the networks from canceling the station's affilia-tion contracts. WSAY had been an ABC-MBS dual. tion contracts. V ABC-MBS dual.

WSAY, in its original suit, charged conspiracy by the networks with respect to price fixing on affiliation terms. ABC's Rochester affiliate is now WARC, and Mutual's is WVET.

### WASHINGTON, April 10.-

Prefacing his formal statement at the Johnson bill hearing this week, Jay W. Wright, engineer for Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), innocently re-marked: "I'm neither a senator nor a statesman." Greeting the statement with mock horror, Sen. Edwin John-son (D<sub>i</sub>, Colo.) exclaimed: "You mean there's a difference?"

### **Powell, House Give-Away Segs** Added to ABC

NEW YORK, April 10. - The American Broadcasting Company (ABC) this week added several new segs to its sked, some as summer re-placements and others as part of a move to strengthen its programing. move to strengthen its programing. Wednesday night replacements for Groucho Marx, as of April 28, and Bing Crosby, starting June 9, were set, with Go for the House, audience participation give-away subbing for Marx, and the Comedy Writers show filling in for Crosby. The former will dispense household gifts, with a \$10,-000-house and lot plus auto and ga-000-house and lot plus auto and ga-rage as the jackpot award. Writers, a Frank Cooper package, features comedy scripters as guests, attempt-ing to ad lib the development of humorous situations. The Sunday sked shift calls for I

Love Adventure and The Clock to move into the 7 to 8 p.m. seg cur-rently housing Reichold's Sunday Evening Hour, effective April 25. The former is a new Carlton Morse pack-age, while The Clock, now produced by Bill Spier will move from its sur by Bill Spier, will move from its cur-rent 9:30 p.m. Thursday period, which in turn will be filled by the new *Front Page* series, starring Dick Pow-ell as Hildy Johnson. The role of Walter Burns, Hildy's scheming edi-tor, has not yet been filled, but Sam tor, has not yet been filled, but Sam Levene is being spoken of for the role. Web brass also were mulling the possibility of putting *Candid Microphone* into the *Front Page* spot, and moving the latter into *Candid Mike's* 8 p.m. Thursday seg. Another deal has Rex Maupin's ork filling the 4:20 pm Sundow period

Another deal has Rex Maupin's ork filling the 4:30 p.m. Sunday period now occupied by *Metropolitan Audi-tions*. This show would originate in Chicago and feed the entire web ex-cept for New York. WJZ this week bought the Ronald Colman *My Fa*-*vorite Story* waxer from the Frederic *Ziv transcription furm* and will incont Ziv transcription firm, and will insert that into this time period as a sus-tainer but open for sale. The con-tract, for 52 weeks, is the largest single pact made by Ziv.



NEW YORK, April 10.—National-Broadcasting Company (NBC) this week signed Jack Pearl to a deal calling for the comic to do six shows. Pearl auditioned a new show for the web some months ago, featuring a new comedy character. The audition program used Pearl's long-time straight man, Cliff (Sharlie) Hall. No time or starting date has been ret you set yet.

### Okay, Isn't There? Johnson Bill **Battle Brings** Yr.'s Breather

#### Foes Get in Body Blows

WASHINGTON. April 10.-As a direct result of the current wrangle over the Johnson bill to break up clear channels, the North Ameri-can Regional Broadcast Agreement (NARBA) will definitely be extended an additional year and the August NARBA conference will be post-poned a year poned a year.

This was learned in State Department quarters today as furious back-stage Capitol Hill pulling and hauing on the Johnson bill intensified a wide-open split in the entire broadcasting industry on the issue. Numer-ous congressmen, it was learned, have been getting pressure from radio broadcasters back home on the clear channel issue, which is being argued at a congressional hearing which is entering a second and final week.

#### **Delay** Promised

Delay Promised Recognizing the fury of the back-scene battle, the State Department has pressed for a year's delay in NARBA procedure and, it was re-vealed today, has received definite word from other NARBA nations that the delay of NARBA was bulwarked by Mexico, which, like the United States, is represented at the present international conference in Geneva which is working out a proposed "sharing-of-hours" schedule for high frequencies.

A high-ranking State Department official told *The Billboard* that un-certainty over the clear channel status makes it impossible for the (See NARBA DELAY on page 8)

#### Neb. Broadcasters For Johnson Bill

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., April 10. Immediate enactment of the Johnson bill, to prohibit super-power sta-tions, was unanimously urged by the annual meeting of the Nebraska Broadcasters' Association (NBA) this Broadcasters' Association (NBA) this week. The meeting wired its senti-ments to the entire roster of Ne-braska congressmen in Washington, as well as to Sens. Charles Tobey (R., N.H.) and Edwin Johnson (D., Colo.), the latter author of the legis-lation. The meeting also was queried on its attitude toward the Johnson on its attitude toward the Johnson measure by the office of Nebraska Gov. Val Peterson, and a wire set-ting forth the NBA views was dispatched in reply. A resolution also was passed favor-

A resolution also was passed favor-ing State legislation defining libel laws, pointing out disparity between federal and State bills. Of the 16 AM stations in Nebraska, all but one were represented. The by-laws were amended to cover admission of FM affiliates, and the 1949 meeting was skedded for McCook, Neb. L. L. Hil-ligned of Scattchulf une cloated more skedded for McCook, Neb. L. L. Hil-liard, of Scottsbluff, was elected presi-dent. Other officers named were John Alexander, North Platte. vice-president; Tom Thomas, Norfolk, secretary-treasurer; Harry Peck, Lin-coln, and William J. Newens, Omaha, directors. John J. Gillin Jr., WOW, Omaha, was re-elected representa-tive to the National Association of Broadcasters. Broadcasters.

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NAB'S TV INTEREST ZOOMS

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### **May Create** Whole New Department

#### AM Nabobs Are Won Over

WASHINGTON, April 10. — The National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) is weighing the possibility of creating a full-scale television de-partment far more extensive than any contemplated in previous closed-door discussions by the board, it be-came known this week. The ques-tions will be paramount on the board agenda at the NAB's Los Angeles convention, which is already sched-uled to devote one of its two gen-eral meeting days exclusively to tele-vision, with several additional tele-vision panel discussions slated for the rest of the convention. rest of the convention.

rest of the convention. The NAB's zooming interest in television, it was learned, is the re-sult of a flood of inquiries from AM station-members which are anxious to obtain all possible information about video. Scores of standard broadcast station operators are try-ing to decide whether to rush into television, the inquiries show. This situation, coupled with the long-standing rush of applicants for the fast dwindling number of video channels, has spurred NAB nabobs to face seriously the problem of drastic expansion to incorporate video. video.

#### Long-Range Study

Long-Range Study So intense has the interest of AM broadcasters in television become that the NAB is quietly working on a long-range comprehensive study of all phases of tele. The study is ex-pected to take several months to complete and its findings will be made known to NAB's members probably some time in late fall. The study will include such information as the following: Costs of opening a as the following: Costs of opening a television station, costs to operate, types of transmitters and costs, pro-graming techniques, experience of established video operators, etc.

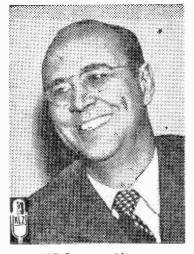
The NAB's interest in expanding its television activities is seen as likely to brace the question whether Television Broadcasters' Association (TBA) will be invited to incorporate with the NAB. Current relations bewith the NAB. Current relations be-tween the two trade associations are described as "highly co-operative." J. R. Poppele, president of the TBA, is slated to preside at the NAB con-vention session May 20 which will touch off a full day of talks on video.

#### Top Interest

In view of the dominant place which television has on the convenwhich television has on the conven-tion agenda and the rising tide of in-terest by rank-and-file NAB mem-bers in video, expectations are that the video problem will share top convention interest with the pro-incted new NAB code jected new NAB code.

jected new NAB code. Meanwhile convention plans are fast being completed, with 400 al-ready "pre-registered" and turnout of approximately 1,500 anticipated for the opening day May 17. The NAB yesterday (9) announced first details of entertainment plans and social activities for the conclave. These include a cocktail party, fiesta and supper to be given by A. At-water Kent for NAB delegates. Tours of major movie studios also are planned. planned.

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#### **KLZ** Program Director CHARLES ROBERTS Roberts, with his carefully chosen staff

of writers, announcers, producers and talent, has made KLZ-listening an ever popular habit in the Rocky more Mountain region. KLZ, DENVER

### FCC Reps Begin KMPC<sup>^</sup>Probe

(Continued from page 4) tion on the KMPC situation.

The FCC has ordered a full-scale investigation into the three stations controlled by Richards; in Hollywood (KMPC), Detroit (WJR), and Cleveland (WGAR). It is believed that results of this triple probe will be weighed by the commission to determine whether a hearing should be held.

While the FCC reps were quietly at work, the local chapter of the American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) had a general membership meeting and passed a resolution that AFRA's Coast wing petition the FCC as going on record favoring the in-vestigation. The resolution, adopted vestigation. The resolution, adopted almost unanimously (there was only one dissenting vote), was proposed by Marvin Miller, who, in addressing the assembly, read excerpts of reports on the KMPC situation from recent issues of The Billboard. First dis-closure of the charges against KMPC was carried exclusively by The Billboard.

AFRA's action was prompted by the fact that Clete Roberts, former KMPC news department head and one of the persons bringing charges against the station, is an AFRA mem-The local felt it should support ber. a member of its fold.

Miller's resolution as adopted in-Miller's resolution as adopted in-cluded three points. It reaffirmed the L. A. AFRA chapter's position favoring retention of the Mayflower decision against radio editorializing and empowering the local's executive secretary, Claude McCue, to write such letters to the FCC as he deemed necessary to convey these sympathies. It established AFRA's desire to see the Mayflower decision maintained and pointing out that if charges brought against KMPC are true and the decision were not in effect, con-ditions alleged to exist at the Richditions alleged to exist at the Rich-ards station could spread to other outlets. It directed the local to peti-tion FCC officially to investigate charges leveled against KMPC and put AFRA on record as requesting the co-operation of the Association of Broadcast Unions and Guilds (ABUG).

### **Indies Withdraw Petition** For NAB Board Changes

NEW YORK, April 10.—Independent radio stations, which had begun circulation of a petition requesting a change in the make-up of the board of directors of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB), yesterday directors of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB), yesterday (Friday) withdrew the petition, pending action on the change at the pre-convention meeting of the board in Los Angeles. The move was made following a conversation between NAB President Judge Justin Miller and Ted Cott, vice-president of WNEW, New York, and of the mentors of the revisionist move.

### **KMPC** Case Is Used as Anti-**Clear Argument**

(Continued from page 4) ing record, receiving lengthiest attention during several minutes of colloquy late Friday (9) when Johnson called to the committee's attention the accusations made against KMPC's owner, G. A. Richards, by three former KMPC employees that Richards had ordered them to slant news. had ordered them to slant news. Pointing out that he was "not alto-gether familiar" with the facts in the KMPC case and that he had no knowledge of whether or not Richards was guilty of the news-slanting charges, Johnson said he mentioned the instance "to demonstrate what vast power the clear channel stations have and to show that it is within their power to influence news pro-grams."

#### Wants More Locals

Wants More Locals The senator, who is pressing for his legislation to break down clears in order to make more local channels available, brought up the KMPC case during an exchange between a net-work witness and Sen. Homer Cape-hart (R., Ind.) on the subject of station wattage power.

station wattage power. "You people keep talking about wattage power," said Johnson, "but I want to call your attention to another form of power which can become very dangerous if abused." Johnson then went on to mention the evils of coloring news programs, and men-tioned the charges leveled against KMPC. Johnson went on to declare: "Suppose 10 big clear channel sta-tions got together and decided to use such power for slanting the news such power for slanting the news-just think of the results. I mention this just to show that any kind of power-wattage or any other-should not be concentrated."

not be concentrated." Earlier in the hearing when a wit-ness from the Detroit station, WJR, was on the stand, Johnson inter-jected a question, "Is your station now in jeopardy of losing its license?" The witness, M. Wells, farm director of the station, said he did not know what the senator meant. Louis G. Caldwell, counsel for Clear Channel Broadcasting Service (CCBS), who is heading opposition against the John-son bill, intervened, saying he be-lieved the senator had reference to the FCC's investigation of KMPC in Los Angeles. Johnson questioned the Los Angeles. Johnson questioned the witness no further.

witness no further. Station KMPC and Richards' other two stations are among several hun-dred to which the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, headed by Sen. Charles Tobey (R., N. H.), sent in-quiries on the clear channel situation (The Billboard, April 3). As earlier monorted, the committee has received reported, the committee has received 500 responses.

The indies' petition, published exclusively in *The Billboard* of April 10, proposes a NAB membership referen-dum amending the by-laws so that two indie representatives will be pro-vided for in the NAB board's makeup. There are no indie directors now, altho network affiliate, large, medium, small, FM and television stations do have representatives. Cott and Ben Strouse, of WWDC, Washington, be-gan circulating the petition after the NAB board refused to approve a standing NAB committee representing indies.

Miller asked both Cott and Strouse to appear at the May 15 pre-conven-tion board meeting and explain the indies' stand. The move was held to be preferable to the petition strategy insofar as it would help avoid an affiliate-indie cleavage within NAB. It's also figured that the board will be amendable to okaying the referendum, which, in turn, is figured, on the basis of indie membership within NAB, almost certain to pass.

#### **NAB** Convention **Roll Call 2,000;** Where To Put'Em

HOLLYWOOD, April 10.-Esti-mated number of delegates who will mated number of delegates who will attend the National Association of Broadcasters' (NAB) convention in Los Angeles May 17-21 has been officially upped to over 2,000 radio men and their wives, posing a tough housing and transportation problem for local broadcasters who will host convention delegates. While biz ses-sions will be held at downtown Bilt-more Hotel, conventionites will be housed at various parts of the city, with transportation to convention headquarters to be provided by Southern California Broadcasters' Association (SCBA). Association (SCBA).

Association (SCBA). SCBA has set social events for dele-gates which will be topped by a lush party Sunday, May 16, at the home of retired radio millionaire Atwater Kent. Shindig will include a dinner (for all 2,000 delegates) and origina-tion of a commercial TC radio show from the outdoor arena on the Kent estate. The same evening E. L. Cord, retired auto maker and owner of indie KFAC, Hollywood, will host 800 delegates at a performance of Ice-Capades, which will be running then, to be followed by a cocktail party. party

Official NAB banquet will be held Tuesday evening, May 18, and will feature a two-hour show to be pre-sented by four networks, Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), and the SCBA. Biz sessions will be held Monday and Tuesday, May 17-18, with engineer-ing confabs May 20-21. Other social events will include special affairs for wives of delegates, tours of motion pic studios and a look-see at network broadcasts orig-inating in Hollywood. Official NAB banquet will be held

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FCC's "Daily News" Nix **Uncovers Coy-Jones Split** 

WASHINGTON, April 10.—A serious policy split between the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) chairman, Wayne Coy, and Commis-sioner Robert Jones became evident for the first time this week as the FCC Sioner Robert Jones became evident for the first time this week as the FCC issued a final decision in the New York FM docket denying a station to the News Syndicate Company, publisher of *The New York Daily News*. Successful FM applicants were the American Broadcasting Company (ABC), the Unity Broadcasting Corporation, and WMCA—all of New York—and the North Jersey Broadcasting Company, Paterson, N. J., and North Jersey Radio, Newark, N. J.

Not only was the Jones-Coy split evident in individual voting with the two opposing each other in four separate applicants including The News, but also in a supplementary order denying the motion of the News Syndicate to strike from the record evidence submitted by the American Jewish Congress (AJC) relating to the editorial policy of the paper. The motion was rejected by a six

to one vote, with Jones filing a vig-orous dissent. Jones, a former Re-FCC has no right to examine news content of a paper. In an almost unprecedented action, Coy, a one-time member of President Roosevelt's "brain trust," followed the dissent with an additional statement taking issue with his colleague's views.

Paper Policy Authority Despite agreement to disregard the AJC evidence as being inconclusive, the FCC majority claimed the author-ity to go into newspaper policies of an applicant under the section of the Communications Act, permitting the FCC to require information from applicants regarding character, finan-cial, technical and other qualifications

Jones, however, argued that evi-dence concerning newspaper policy "cannot properly be received for the purpose of determining whether that applicant would operate its broadcast

facility with the same policies it has employed in running its newspaper." Answering this statement, Coy as-serted that "the propriety of commis-sion inquiry into the past business of an applicant to ascertain character qualification was clearly established in the Mester (WOV, New York) case."

#### "Double Standard"

Jones then claimed the majority was using "a double standard" in the opinion by admitting AJC evidence but—in another docket case—granting a station to a bidder who had written a book, parts of which "could be interpreted as advocating the overthrow of the government." Coy remarked that he found no in-

consistency. In *The News* case, he said, the AJC evidence was weighed and found to provide no basis for a finding adverse to The News. In the other case, he claimed, the book excerpt was also evaluated and dis-missed as probative evidence.

In rejecting the News Syndicate bid by a four to three vote, the FCC claimed that the three other New York bidders had better programing plans and were more familiar with broadcasting. The question of edi-torial policy, said the FCC, was not considered in the rejection.

#### WJBK CUTS SALES STAFF

DETROIT, April 10.—An economy move has hit WJBK's sales staff. First move has hit wJBK's sales staff. First to get the ax were Janies Phillips and Mel Truitt, who had been with the station a few months under the man-agement of Fort Industry Corpora-

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### **CBS Guns for 2** ABC Shows

NEW YORK, April 10.-Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) this week reportedly let loose a double-barreled assault on a pair of American Broad-casting Company (ABC) shows in a place them back to back on move to its facilities. Shows involved are General Electric (GE) lamp division's Willie Piper and U. S. Steel's Theater Guild on the Air. Both are up for renewal on ABC, and CBS is known to have been pitching hard to woo them over.

Both airers are placed by the same agency, Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn (BBDO). CBS is said to be offering Steel the same Sunday 9:30 to 10:30 time it now has on ABC, with GE being lured with the half-hour just preceding, opposite ABC's Walter Winchell. Considerable effort is be-lieved to have been made to sell the agency officials on making Sunday "BBDO night" on CBS.

#### **CBS** Promotion Adds Salberg, Oppenheim

NEW YORK, April 10 .--- The Co-lumbia Broadcasting System (CBS) has added two men to its promotion department. Charles Oppenheim, formerly promotion topper at WINS. York, has become assistant to New York, has become assistant to Neil Hathaway, web program pro-motion chief. Morry Salberg, former Eagle-Lion flack, has joined the pro-gram promotion and merchandising division of the sales promotion de-partment.

**KSTP** Catches A Lawsuit **On Fish Stunt** 

ST. PAUL, April 10.—The story of the "big renege" in a radio giveaway contest hit the Ramsey County Dis-trict Court here this week, with KSTP, the 50-kw. National Broad-casting Company outlet, on the de-fense side of the lawsui<sup>4</sup>.

The action resulted from the sta-The action resulted from the sta-tion's hoopla prize tag fish contest run in 1946. The top winner, Elmer Hauge, of Pequot, Minn., who won a jackpot full of cash and merchandise, claims that a \$780 camping outfit has not yet been delivered. The Karrierall Kamper had been releded by a Chicage manufacturer

to the station, but when it came time to deliver to Hauge the man who had promised the merchandise was no longer with the firm and the company refused to come thru.

Hauge waited patiently for KSTP to deliver or to make an offer of settlement. Some months ago it was learned reliably that Stanley E. Hubbard, station prexy, was in no mood to settle.

Instead the station will start suit in Chicago against the camp outfit manufacturer in an effort to force delivery to Hauge.

**Bates Agency Snares** Kool Cig Billings NEW YORK, April 10.—Ted Bates Agency this week picked up the last fragments resulting from the Lucky Strike explosion. Kool Ciga-rettes, a Brown & Williamson (B & W) product, was assigned to Bates after the account was dronned by after the account was dropped by Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn (BBD&O), which picked up the Luckies billings.

Bates also began a spot radio and newspaper campaign for B & W's new Life Cigarettes this week. It will continue Kool's spot radio campaign and its 5-minute video show on the National Broadcasting Company (NBC). Network billings for B & W's Raleigh brand will remain with Russell M. Seeds Company, Chicago.

### CCNY 'BEATS' OHIO STATE **Grabs** Play Via Savvy, Showmanship

#### **Registration Total 2,300**

NEW YORK, April 12 .- On the eve adio and Business Conference, the City College of New York (CCNY) appears to have stolen the play away from its principal "competitor" in the college radio institute field, Ohio State. Where interest—at least as it is expressed in New York by com-mercial broadcasters—has been flag-ging in Ohio State's annual Institute ging in Ohio State's annual Institute for Education by Radio, it has been, contrariwise, mounting insofar as the CCNY Conference is concerned. CCNY's shindig, which opens tomor-row (Tuesday, 13), had as of Thurs-day (8) a registration of 2,300 or 1,300 more than its 1947 total.

While Ohio retains its appeal for educational broadcasters, and has done so despite objections by comdone so despite objections by com-mercial radio men, CCNY is appar-ently going on the theory that the two fields should be catered to equally. In addition, the Ohio In-stitute has invariably compressed an enormous agenda into a short time, resulting in innumerable conflicts. A final criticism of the Ohio procedure final criticism of the Ohio procedure, heard this year as before, has been that its schedule is repetitious, espe-cially insofar as panel topics are concerned, and in addition, it almost completely neglects television.

Altho CCNY has a geographic ad-vantage in rounding up major radio aid, it hasn't stopped there, but has injected showmanship into its agenda, selected with an eye to both commer-cial and educational operations, and has dressed the house with top names from New York radio. Another gimmick. dramatizing problems up for discussion, is being repeated after making an especially favorable im-pression last year. Dramatizations this year include items on the Mayflower deataine uning include items on the Mayflower doctrine, unimaginative programing, commercial quality, the proposed new industry code, disk jockey shows and their effect on programing, tele-vision programing balance, and com-petitive problems of AM, FM and television.

Speakers and panel members in-clude Fred Allen; Harold Fellows, of WEEI, Boston; Ted Cott, WNEW, New York; Jim Shouse, WLW, Cin-cinnati; A. A. Schechter, of the Mu-kroadcasting System (MBS): tual Broadcasting System (MBS); Bob Schmid, of MBS; Paul Mowrey, of the American Broadcasting Com-pany (ABC); Nick Kersta, National Broadcasting Company (NBC) tele director, and Craig Lawrence, of WCOP, Boston.

Segs and Babies!

NEW YORK, April 10.—Will Roland. the producer, does the Arthur Godfrey morning show, the Robert Q. Lewis and Radie Harris stanzas over the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS). This week he became the father of a third son, a 10-pounder born at Doctors' Hospital. Ob-served Godfrey on his program: "What a producer!"

### **Unions Set for TV Demands; Coast Balks at AFRA Pact**

NEW YORK, April 10.—Now that negotiations on contract extensions between the networks and the Amer-ican Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) are out of the way, demands for wage scales and working con-ditions in tele will be made within two weeks, George Heller, exec sec-retary of AFRA stated yesterday. Contract deals are all but virtually set, pending further perotiations on set, pending further negotiations on staff agreements in Los Angeles and San Francisco. Membership of the union's locals in New York and Chicago voted approval at meetings this week.

TV demands will be made thru the television committee of the Associ-ated Actors and Artists of America (Four A's), embracing all showbiz

NEW YORK, April 10.-Now that | shortly to discuss once again merging into one union, rather than separate unions as now. Talks will come under the heading of "reactivation of the Four A's."

New York local's meeting The brought some member protests on the new contract, on the ground that they failed to obtain living cost raises they failed to obtain living cost raises at a time when they were urgently needed, but it was explained that the union's position was seriously hampered by Taft-Hartley provi-sions. Thus, under the new contract, AFRA actually will be working with-out a union shop during a 30-day period to be designated later on. All actors working during this period will participate in the contract extension provided for in the contract extension. Meanwhile, as previously reported in *The Billboard*, top execs of the Four A's member unions are to meet minimums 5 per cent.

WASHINGTON, April 10 .- The growing threat to radio liquor plugs became graver this week as the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee scheduled an April 21 hearing on three separate bills restricting or prohibiting air and press plugs. The drys, who have stepped up their pressure on Congress thru petitions bearing hundreds of signatures, are mapping strategy for a "sleeper" play at the hearing which is considered one of the most important congressional moves on the liquor questions since prohibition. The drys are known to be hopeful that "wets" will not show up at the hearing,

as was the case in a less important hearing on the issue last year. In such event, the prohibitionists are expected to argue that "public senti-ment" favors their crusade. However, anti-drys are known to be fighting the crusade behind the scenes.

#### Public's Welfare

Public's Welfare Arguments by drys will differ little from their old line that liquor is detrimental to public health and morals. In attacking radio plugs, the prohibitionists will claim that radio by law is required to operate in the public interest and that liquor ads are contrary to the general welfare. Among dry organizations to be repre-sented are the Women's Christian Temperance Union, the Board of Temperance of the Methodist Church, Southern Baptist Sunday Schools and Southern Baptist Sunday Schools and Youth for Christ. The bills which the drys are pressing for would deprive radio of approximately \$7,000,000 in yearly revenue. Altho no hard liquor advertising is broadcast, beer radio time is figured at roughly \$5,000.000 with an added \$2,000,000 for wines.

One of the measures up for airing is the Capper bill to ban all liquor advertising, which was aired briefly be-fore the close of the last congressional session. Two compromise bills introsession. Two compromise bills intro-duced jointly by Senators Edwin Johnson (D., Colo.) and Clyde Reed (R., Kan.) are also to be debated. One of these would prohibit all but institutional plugs, and the other would ban any liquor advertising that "suggests" drinking as beneficial to health. to health.

#### **RDG Exec Nominees Picked for May Vote**

NEW YORK. April 10 .--- Nomina-NEW YORK. April 10.—Nomina-tions have already been made for exec posts at the Radio Directors' Guild and will be voted on at the May 3 monthly meeting.

May 3 monthly meeting. Contestants include Lester O'Keefe and Robert Lewis Shayon, for prexy: Tom Bennett and Mitchell Grayson. for vice-president; Charles Powers and Maurice Robinson, for secretary, and Ernest Riccia and Norman Sweetser for treasurer. For coun-cilors at large, with two to be elected, Don Gillis, Perry Laferty. William Sweets, Frank Telford and Betty Todd are on the ballot. And as the council tele representative, with only Council tele representative, with only one position open, Frances Buss and Charles Polacheck are in the running. The officers are elected for one-year terms and councilors for two-upon stints

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### B. R. Fees On Way Up; Viewer

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va., April 10.-Television sponsorship costs will jump 50 per cent in the next nine months, but this will be counterbalanced by a drop of over one-third in cost of reaching 1,000 viewers per half-hour. These were the predictions made by Dr. Peter Langhoff, director of research at Young & Rubicam (Y&R), to the 30th annual meeting of the American Association of Advertising Agencies (Four A's) here this week. Langhoff said that average time and talent cost of 30-minute video shows will rise from about \$6,000 now to about \$9,000 next January. Cost per 1,000 viewers will drop from about \$16.67 to \$10 during the same period, he said.

Langhoff also cited a 70 per cent higher sets-in-use figure scored by tele against radio receivers, and pre-dicted no decline in this margin. Families owning both radio and video sets have shown overwhelming preference for the latter, he noted, point-ing to the latest C. E. Hooper telerat-ing report of one time period in which all three New York tele stations were all three New York tele stations were programing and all four radio web outlets had shows on the air. With three quarters of the combined radio-tele sample at home and using either or both sets, preferences re-ported showed 3 per cent on the fence, 3 per cent favoring radio and 94 per cent choosing television. "How decisive can you get?" asked Lang-hoff. hoff.

#### Agencies' Sessions

### "Album" Headed For Tele Dupe

NEW YORK, April 10.-Album of Familiar Music, long-time occupant of the 9:30 p.m. Sunday evening spot on the National Broadcasting Com-pany (NBC), is the latest show to be reported planning to duplicate for television. The show is sponsored by Bayer Aspirin.

It's understood conversations are now going on between the web and the sponsor, the 9:30 p.m. time on WNBT being available for sponsorship, Radio actor union regulations call for double broadcast fees, with-out rehearsal pay, in the event shows are duplicated.

### Costs Falling "Reporter" Seg **Renewed on NBC**

field Reporter, after bankroller and agency squawked to the net over a shift in the time slot. The oiler's sixa-week, 15-minute news strip was renewed last week-end, however, when net made concessions and agreed to return seg to its original

agreed to return seg to its original time period. The Richfield show, on NBC's West-ern net since April, 1931, has been a long-term tenant of the 10 p.m. slot during the years. With recent passage of Daylight Saving Time in California, net was forced to move the show to 11 p.m., which Hixson-O'Donnell, agency for Richfield, refused to ac-cept. Agency and bankroller there-upon notified the web it was cancelling airer, which would have meant a loss to the net of \$300,000 yearly in time

with agency reps and agreed to return the show to its previous 10 o'clock slot beginning April 25, promising to work out mechanical details in order to prevent future time juggling. Rich-field accepted the proposition, withdrew its cancelation notice, and pacted a deal with NBC for another year, beginning May 1, 1948.

#### and costs, and developments in ethics and relations.

and relations. Thomas Brophy, of Kenyon & Eck-hardt, was elected chairman of the board of directors, succeeding J. C. Cornelius, of Batten. Barton, Durstine & Osborn. Clarence Goshorn, of Ben-ton & Bowles, was elected vice-chairman, and Henry M. Stevens, of J. Walter Thompson, was named sec-retary-treasurer. Frederic B. Gamble. Agencies' Sessions The major portion of the Thursday sessions was devoted to television, following Wednesday's closed busi-ness sessions, with other speakers in-cluding Jack Gould. of *The New York Times;* Walter Craig, of Benton & Bowles, and Kennett W. Hinks, of J. Walter Thompson. Friday's business sessions dealt with advertising copy Mardt, was elected chairman of the board of directors, succeeding J. C. Cornelius, of Batten. Barton, Durstine & Osborn. Clarence Goshorn, of Ben-ton & Bowles, was elected vice-chairman, and Henry M. Stevens, of J. Walter Thompson, was named sec-president since 1944, was named to serve another two years.

#### HOLLYWOOD, April 10. -National Broadcasting Company (NBC) came within an inch of losing the West Coast's pioneer news strip, The Rich-

sales.

Net sales topper, Bud Berend, met

### Shuberts To Use Radio in Bid To Sell Ducats for Theaters

#### (Continued from page 3)

rograms tentatively have been skedded to kick off April 26, and will air from 11:25 to 11:30 p.m., and from 6 to 6:15 p.m. The Shuberts are be-lieved to feel that such a move can prove a tremendous hypo to legit, by appealing directly to the basically class audience which FM mainly proceed and the store is regarded

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have their seats held at the box office until 30 minutes before curtain time. Also, a catalog of callers could be set up with permanent accounts. The value of a mailing list of newly sold play-goers also is believed to be considerable.

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### **NARBA** Delay **Helps Clears**

(Continued from page 5) United States to meet the present May 1 deadline for any proposals to the scheduled August NARBA meeting in Canada. The current NARBA meet-ing in Canada. The current NARBA interim agreement is scheduled to expire in March, 1949, but the State Department now contemplates its extension for an additional year to give ample time for the United States to settle the three-year-old clear-channel controversy.

#### Break for Clears

It is considered possible that de-ferment of NARBA may give clear-channel broadcasters an advantage in their fight to block the Johnson In their fight to block the Johnson bill, which would compel Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to break up the clears. This view is based on belief that the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee is at present in a favorable mood toward the Johnson bill and that the clears need more time to fight such action.

The current hearing on the bill, as anticipated, has developed into a wordy proceeding which is peaceful compared with the furious battle raging behind scenes on Capitol Hill. It has been learned that both regional and local stations have been bringing the clear-channel issue to the atten-tion of their district congressmen, and clears have lost no time in doing likewise. As a result, more con-gressional interest is being regis-tered in the Johnson bill than in many better known measures.

many better known measures. The nature of some of the argu-ments which have been presented to congressmen individually by anti-clears will come into the open at next week's session of the Senate committee hearing when several pro-ponents of the Johnson bill, includ-ing some 35 reps of regional and local stations, will contend that the pres-ent clear-channel system fosters mo-nopoly and provides unfair competi-tion to smaller stations.

#### **Caldwell Leads Foes**

The fight against the Johnson bill is being led by Louis G. Caldwell, legalist for Clear-Channel Broadcast-ing Service (CCBS), which comprises 16 of the nation's clear channels. Caldwell has claimed that argument Caldwell has claimed that argument over the Johnson bill is a battle be-tween "many millions of rural lis-teners" who want better service, and "commercial interests" which want "more stations to serve urban cen-ters." He has argued that the clears are better able than other kinds of broadcast service to bring radio pro-grams to rural listeners. grams to rural listeners.

Witnesses for individual clear-channel outlets described to the Sen-ate group the "quality" of their service to rural area and reps of farm groups declared that breaking up of clear frequencies would prove a hard blow to farm areas. Some 30 witnesses have attacked the measure

witnesses have attacked the measure at the hearing. Witnesses from the four major networks unanimously opposed the measure Friday (9). The Mutual Broadcasting System (MBS), which had steered clear of all but the en-gineering part of the FCC's hearings, was represented by its engineering gineering part of the FCC's hearings, was represented by its engineering director, Earl Johnson. He said the Johnson bill takes into account only a small portion of the general allo-cations situation. He asked that so-lution of the clear-channel problem be left to the FCC. The American Broadcasting Com-pany opposed the Johnson bill on the grounds that the best way to improve rural listening was by providing ad-

prove a tremendous hypo to legit, by appealing directly to the basically class audience which FM mainly reaches, and which also is regarded as the most likely play-going pros-pects. Special Switchboard The mechanics of the operation, not yet completely worked out, tentative-ly call for the Shuberts to set up a special switchboard to handle calls. Listeners who phone in orders will

Write for price list on other sizes. One-Third Deposit, Balance C. O. D. **Quality Photo Service** Perkins St., Box 42 Bristol, Conn.

#### All Aboard!

NEW YORK, April 12.-Soon after the great snow of last De-cember, WHLI, Hempstead, L. I., aired a series called *Operation Snafu*. It detailed the great foul-up on the Long Island Railroad. This week the line began sponsorship of an early-morning series on the station, aring news, weather reports — and, perhaps, info on late trains.

### **Kids**, 8-14, **Have 1-Billion** Dollar **Buying Power**

NEW YORK, April 10.-Children between the ages of eight and 14 have a potential buying power of over \$1,000,000,000, according to a Gilbert Youth Research Organization Gilbert Youth Research Organization survey. The study was a part of the youth research program undertaken by the National Broadcasting Com-pany (NBC) and was based on inter-views conducted with 1,100 boys and girls in New York, Chicago, Pitts-burgh and Philadelphia.

The survey revealed that the youngsters have a minimum income youngsters have a minimum income (allowance and earnings) of \$1.57 weekly, that less than half brush their teeth twice a day, that they consume over three candy bars\_per youngster per week, that nearly 60 per cent of the girls stop eating cereals by the age of 14 and that at 10 a.m. Saturdays 65 per cent are available to listen to the radio.

With regard to the latter point, it was found that of the youths inter-viewed 86 per cent of the girls and 78 per cent of the boys listen on Saturday morning and over half of those listen every Saturday.

The top programs for the boys were Adventures of Frank Merriwell, Archie Andrews and the Adventur-er's Club; for the girls, Let's Pretend, Archie Andrews and Frank Merriwell.

NBC has made an agency presenta-tion with results of the survey. It's titled *Tomorrow's Customers*—*Today*, and is being pitched to the ad men by George W Wallace, NBC sales pro-motion manager motion manager.

### **Elgin Indicates** Marx Renewal

NEW YORK, April 10.-Elgin-NEW YORK, April 10.—Elgin-American, sponsor of the Groucho Marx show over the American Broad-casting Company (ABC), indicated this week its intention of renewing for the fall. The show is dropping out of its 9:30 Wednesday seg after the April 21 airer. Elgin has tenta-tively approved a \$10,000 promotional expenditure for the show's return after its hiatus. after its hiatus.

The notification of the sponsor's fall intentions must be in ABC's hands by the date of the last show.

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### Washington Round-Up

CLIFFORD J. DURR, Federal Communications Commissioner, is standing pat on his criticism of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) With a new blast administered by the commissioner in a speech before the Washington chapter of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare this week. Durr. who is urged upon President Truman for a renomination (present term expires June 30), told the Southern conference that "restraining freedom of speech is just as dangerous to democracy as fraud at the ballot box." The commissioner, who has criticized the FBI's methods of investi-gating ideological backgrounds of broadcast applicants, insisted that "democratic government must take certain calculated risks in times of crisis or it ceases to be democratic."

FCC'S BUDGET for the 1949 fiscal year will be \$6,310,000, under the terms of a congressional compromise approved last week. This figure repre-sents an increase of \$60,000 over the current budget, but is \$245,000 less than the amount requested by the commission.

**HEARINGS ON** United Auto Workers (UAW) for a radio channel in Detroit winds up Tuesday (13), and the FCC is expected to take months in deciding. UAW, competing against WCAR, of Pontiac, Mich., for a Detroit outlet, argued at hearing sessions last week that "public service" should be the paramount consideration in the fight and that Detroit, which has become "the notion" No. 1 melting not city, seriously needs a public service station. "the nation's No. 1 melting-pot city, seriously needs a public service station rather than just another commercial station." Joseph Rauh, Washington legalist, handled the UAW side. The hearings have been going on at intervals since early March.

BING CROSBY will head the Apple Blossom Parade at Winchester, Va., April 29, Sen. Harry F. Byrd announced last week.

UNIFORM DAYLIGHT saving time for radio and the nation appears to be getting closer and closer, with Senate approval this week of a bill put-ting the District of Columbia on daylight saving, and with a big rush of proponents readying for a Senate Interstate Commerce Committee hearing on a nationwide daylight bill next week (13). The D. C. daylight bill will reach the House floor soon, and the general expectation is that it will be passed, giving a boost to the nationwide daylight measure.

### RWG May Ask Radio Captures Pre - Fall Strike

NEW YORK, April 10.—The pos-sibility that the Radio Writers' Guild (RWG) may call a strike against the advertising agencies before next fall, as had been planned, arose following a membership meeting here Wednesday (7). The disposition of the writers seems to be against waiting writers seems to be against waiting until fall, which period had been chosen on the theory that a strike would then be more effective. Writers and the ad agencies are deadlocked in negotiations on a new minimum basic agreement.

Unusual support was given the union when Frank and Anne Hum-mert, who produce, write and control a great number of sponsored pro-grams, joined this week. They stated they would, if a strike were called, take their shows off the air.

#### **KYW's Mex Fight Encounters** Snag

PHILADELPHIA, April 10.-In an PHILADELPHIA, April 10.—In an effort eventually to invoke interna-tional law against XEDP in Mexico City, Westinghouse's 50,000 - watt KYW hit a major snag this week when the suburban Whitemarsh Township zoning board reserved de-cision on application for permission to erect two 465-foot transmission towers adjacent to its present transtowers adjacent to its present transmitting site.

Township residents in opposing the station's application said there were already two towers in the area —belonging to WFIL and WIBG—and if KYW built up in the air. "it will make it like a forest of towers out here."

Robert E. White, KYW general manager, said KYW wanted to bring

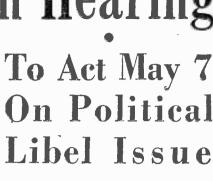
DETROIT, April 10 .- The complications of combined press and radio ownership proved mildly confusing this week after John S. Knight's Detroit Free Press took a slap specif-ically at This Is Your FBI. aired locally by WXYZ. American Broad-casting Company (ABC) outlet, and generally at all gangster shows in an editorially slanted news story on the front page. Essence of the story was that two Detroit youngsters had used in attempted stick-ups or extortion plots ideas which they said they picked up from the program. The ownership proved mildly confusing plots ideas which they said they picked up from the program. The usual type of symposium attacking crime stories, in radio and movies and—to be strictly fair—in comics, followed, with sundry civic leaders contributing condemnations.

Knight's Knight

Then someone in radio dug up a current log for WQAM, Miami, which is also owned by Knight, and found not only This Is Your FBI prom-inently on the log, but other shows of the same type, including Murder and Mr. Malone and Gangbusters.

This week's development followed a campaign by *The Free Press* last month in which civic leaders were asked to comment on the *FBI* show and similar offerings. As a result, radio took a front-page lambasting as contributing to juvenile delinquency.

its transmission to maximum ef-Its transmission to maximum ef-ficiency so as to be able to invoke international law against the Mexi-can station, which is beaming pro-grams this way on KYW's frequency. He pointed out that the law provides that the station being interformed that the station being interfered with must operate at maximum efficiency before it may protest.



Ignores NAB's Protest

WASHINGTON, April 10.-WHLS, Port Huron, Mich., is caught right in the middle of the controversy touched off by the ruling of the Fed-eral Communications Commission (FCC) on libel and station censor-ship. The FCC announced this week that oral argument on its proposed renewal of WHLS's license would be held May 7. Labor unions are taking a keen interest in the ruling.

In setting a hearing on the pro-posed license renewal as well as the the libel ruling contained in the tentative decision, the FCC is going counter to a request by the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB), Association of Broadcasters (NAB), which asked that the two matters be separated. The NAB wants to op-pose the FCC ruling that stations are not subject to libel in political broadcasts and may not censor them, but doesn't want to be in the position of jeopardizing WHLS.

Would Separate Issues Late yesterday (9) the NAB issued a statement that the organization was gratified that a hearing was to be held, but insisting that the FCC ought to grant WHLS a simple license re-newal and hold the hearing on the libel censorship alone.

Labor's interest was disclosed in a survey of the FCC's mail on the WHLS docket, where a dozen unions are tabbed as having requested FCC to provide a total of over 100 copies of the proposed decision.

Comments pro and con have been coming in to the commission, the survey showed. A dozen lawyers have asked for copies of the ruling, survey but only Eugene Black, attorney gen-eral of Michigan, expressed a view. Black commended the FCC "for the able manner in which it has determined a hitherto troublesome ques-tion."

#### **Congressman Demurs**

The opposite viewpoint was ad-vanced by Rep. O. C. Fisher (D., Tex.). He wrote the FCC: "I earnest-ly hope that it may be found proper for the commission to forego a final decision on this subject and permit the courts to make the interpreta-tion." Fisher said several stations in (See Port Huron Hearing on page 14)



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**Varsity Varieties** Reviewed April 3 Sustaining Over WHN, New York

Saturdays, 1:30 to 2 p.m.

Edited and written by Leonard Feath-; announcer for WHN, Leonard Feather.

This show is being aired over local stations thruout the country as a promotion gimmick for Var-sity magazine, which distributes scripts and selects records each week for stations contracting for the show. Records recommended by script editor Leonard Feather gen-erally are available in most outlets' libraries; in cases where they are not, the script is adapted for a substitute.

substitute. WHN not only subscribes to the Varsity service, but it also uses Feather himself as its disk jockey for the show. The stanza caught found Feather deviating from his own script, but for a good reason. He presented, as guests, the vocalist Leslie Scott and be-bop trumpeter Dizzy Gillespie, just back from Europe. The patter between platters was scripted intelligently, showing Feather's musical background with-out talking down. Feather read the out talking down. Feather read the stuff as tho he wrote it.

As to the numbers selected, well, Feather certainly bent over back-ward trying to satisfy everyone. ward trying to satisfy everyone. But it did seem strange for Feather, who is busily penning a book with bopster Gillespie, to plug Guy Lom-bardo's platters, as he did on this show. But it was all in the interests of a rounded program, which this was. Sam Chase.

> **April Fool's Opera** "Europa und der Stier" By Siegfried Sitzpartz Reviewed April 1

Sustaining Via WQXR, New York One performance only, April 1

10:30 to 11 p.m. Producer-writer, Arch Kepner; cast,

Philip Stahl, Alan Taulbee.

Something akin to the United Nations getting up a baseball team to challenge the New York Yankees took place last week when WQXR, which programs strictly from long-hair, let down that hair and kidded itself for the second straight year with an April Fool's Opera. The show consisted of bolloxed-up rec-ords with intermittent sound effects tossed in, and a serio-comic commentary and program remarks by staff announcers. Having decided to go off the deep end, WQXR went way off, with hardly a same moment on the show. Generally, the effect was uproarious.

Titled Europa und der Stier, by one Siegfried Stizpartz, the opus got the usual pre-performance remarks, rendered in hushed, almost worshipful tones, describing the audience, its apparel, the costumes, sets and performers. One of these, it was performers. One of these, it was said. "had his last appearance at La Scala, Milan, where he was heard complaining over the price of ad-mission." The story, if it could be said to have one, concerned the doings of Jupiter, who decided to wolf around on earth in the form of a bulk Bumping into a pifty dish complaining over the price of ad-mission." The story, if it could be said to have one, concerned the doings of Jupiter, who decided to wolf around on earth in the form of a bull. Running into a nifty dish by the name of Bess, he turned her into a heifer so that everything would be legal, and climaxed this by warbling the aria, Bess, Du Bist

Thinking Allowed

Reviewed April 4 Sustaining Via ABC

Sundays, 4:15-4:30 p.m. Estimated Talent Cost: \$250; producer-writer-commentator, Cal Tinney.

Current Hooperating of show following ("Met. Aud. of Air") ...... 3.6 CURRENT HOOPERATINGS OF SHOWS ON OPPOSITION NETWORKS

Cal Tinney has been in radio too long to be called a refreshing personality. But if he were new to the kilocycles, that's how this reviewer would tab him, because his unorthodox, gently-barbed delivery widely varies from the radio norm. His reputation is that of a homely philosopher and commentator, and his program buttresses this description, for he does lend point, via brief statements and rhetorical questions, to a flock of current national and international phenomena. Tinney is also full of kindly advice and gentle admonition, and he likewise expresses wonderment at the changing scene.

Thus, he asks: "What ever hap-Thus, he asks: "What ever hap-pened to Cubeb cigarettes?" And to President Truman: "Don't let them rattle you, Henry." And to The Kinsey who wrote That Book: "K-K-K Kinsey (to the tune K-K-K Katy) I'll be waiting for your book about the girls." In fact, Tinney is enamored of this usage of song parody. Another of his efforts is concerned with Congressmen and done to the tune of Flow Gently, Sweet Afton. This made use of the provocative line: "Thy long-winded speakers with nothing to say." speakers with nothing to say.

When caught Sunday (4), Tinney treated nothing at length, his script just brushing a myriad of topics, including—in addition to those mentioned—Russia, the cold war, Frank Sinatra and television. He even quoted RCA's David Sarnoff and NBC's Frank Mullen on tele.

What it all added up to was a kaleidoscopic series of impressions of current life. Thought-provoking, yet easy to listen to; satiric, yet kindly. Somebody ought to buy him. Paul Ackerman.

Meine Coo, Noo? This was followed by the recitative, Wo Ist Grossmutter's Tisch?

#### Cap and Bells

Recorded music consisted of speeded-up records, plus interjection of items like the Pepsi-Cola jingle, and fire sirens. In addition, there were some remarks from the composer, whose delivery and material might well have been confused with some of Henry Morgan's better ma-terial of the same sort. In all, it

#### TALK OF THE TRADE

#### **Station Relations**

BOB MARTINEAU, manager of WKNB, New Britain, Conn., is carrying **D** on an intensive pre-season baseball campaign. Station has installed 35 FM receivers in restaurants and grills for use during the season. Sets, purchased by station, will plug the night baseball games of the Boston teams. WKNB is daytime only, unable to carry night games over AM, and so is featuring night games over its FM outlet. . . . Dave Scott, program manager of WKNB, on the sick list with pneumonia.

Robert P. Beaulieu appointed musical director of KSTP, Minneapolis, Robert P. Sequileu appointed musical director of KSTP. Minneapolis, succeeding Leonard Leigh, who resigned several months ago in a dispute with Stanley Hubbard, station prexy, over money. . . Effective September 1, WHUM, Reading, Pa., 250-watter managed by Robert Magee, joins CBS as a basic supplementary outlet. . . Bud Hohensee, formerly with WICC, Bridgeport, Conn., named staff announcer at WLNH, Laconia, N. H.

**R**ALF BRENT, manager of WGYN, FM outlet in New York, this week became the father of a girl. . . Martin Tobin, formerly with WGR, Buffalo has been appointed manager of KWAT, Watertown, S. D. . . Adam Young Jr., of New York, appointed national representative for WUSN, Charleston, S. C. . . Eleanor N. Sanger, program director of WQXR, New York, will speak on the function of a specialized station at the New York City Federation of Women's Clubs, Monday (12).

Activities of WKRC and WCTS, respective AM and FM outlets of the Cincinnati Times-Star Company, come under the direction of Radio Cincinnati, Inc., new subsidiary of the newspaper company, as a result of a transfer effective April 1. Hulbert Taft, executive veepee of the stations, said there will be no changes in management, personnel or policy as a result of the transfer.

#### Network Operations

**FOR** THE FIRST TIME, starting April 25, the 500 affiliates of the Mutual Broadcasting System (MBS) will put into effect a plan of delayed broadcasts during the daylight saving months—so as to assure Mutual commercial and sustaining programs uninterrupted release at the same time thruout the year. Plan is similar to those announced by other webs, but is perhaps more sweeping. It involves operating the chain as four webs, thus necessitating the purchase of more than 1,000 miles of additional network lines. network lines.

Lawrence W. Lowman, vice-president of the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), has accepted chairmanship of the radio division of the 1948 joint campaign of the New York City Cancer Committees. . . Beverly Wills, 15-year-old daughter of CBS commedienne Joan Davis, has been added to cast of Columbia's new Saturday morning comedy series, Junior Miss.

JOHN STANLEY and Muriel Starr added to cast of the National Broad-casting Company's (NBC) Young Widder Brown. . . . Hugh Thomas has been given the role of Frosty Miller on the NBC serial, Women in White. . . . A daughter, Donna Ilene, was born to the Specs (CBS) Powells at Lincoln Hospital recently. Pop is a staff musician with the web.

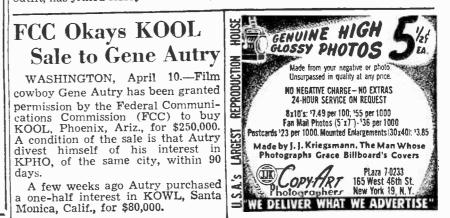
A special edition of the score of Are You Listenin', Joe?, political oratorio first broadcast on the Eddie Cantor show March 11, has been mailed to more than 400 schools and colleges which requested it for local presentation. It's also scheduled for rebroadcast on the Cantor program Thursday (15).

#### **Agencies and Clients**

MARTIN JONES, radio and television director of the Buchanan agency, resigned this week. Jones, an authority on video production, plans to return to that field... Jack Wyatt, radio director of Cecil & Presbrey, on a talent trip to the Coast for two to three weeks... Morgan Ryan, network sales chief at American Broadcasting Company, to Detroit for four quick pitches on Stop the Music.

A New England agency man, beset by station and web salesmen, now greets them by handing them a small printed card reading: "So it's you again. Another half hour shot to hell with you?"... Jim Sheldon has left WOR to become director of We, the People for Young & Rubicam. The same agency named Everard Meade a veepee and manager of its radio department. He was with Bacalage Tobacco. with American Tobacco... Scared Records is expanding into the radio transcription field with religious shows... Oliver W. Nicoll, executive director of Radio Features of America, leaving for Toronto.

Armstrong, Schliefer & Ripin have named Sam Hunsaker, ex-N. W. Ayer, to head the radio and video department. . . Jim F. Simons has purchased all the stock in Nashville's Hedrick & Company, which is almost exclusively devoted to radio advertising. . . . Len A. Kamins has resigned as account exec at Brooke, Smith, French & Dorrance, Inc., Detroit. . . . Edward J. Rosenwald, former veepee with Louis G. Cowan, radio package outfit, has joined Harry B. Cohen Agency with a like title.



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PIX URGED TO BOOST TELI

### Fairbanks Named Pic Buyer For NBC's Library and Affils

NEW YORK, April 10 .-- National Broadcasting Company (NBC) took a major step forward in the creation of a film library this week when it appointed Jerry Fairbanks as official film buyer for the web and its affiliates. Fairbanks, whose Eastern representative is Jack Pegler, is empowered by NBC to make all types of deals. For instance, he may buy films outright, lease them for one performance, or he may lease them in toto with a clause permitting NBC to release them. It was learned that Fairbanks now is most interested in buying short subjects for the NBC operation, but the long-range intent is to buy all types.

#### Affils' Complaints

The appointment of Fairbanks as film buyer was hastened by the web's affiliates, who at the NBC television clinic, complained that they were being deluged by "men with black brief cases" trying to sell films of all sorts foreign and demostic One sorts, foreign and domestic. One station in desperation appointed a station in desperation appointed a man to do nothing but talk to film salesmen. Affiliates pointed out to the web brass that they had no ex-perience in film buying and were unable to judge quality. Affiliates also pointed out that they were com-pletely ignorant of film contracts. NBC, therefore, made the Fairbanks appointment to solve two problems, one being the creation of a film li-brary, and the other being the cre-ation of a centralized organization which would simplify film matters for which would simplify film matters for the affiliates.

According to one NBC topper, Fair-banks will select films from which both the web and affiliates may draw. He added that the service would be especially valuable in cities where no web connection exists.

Fairbanks, of course, is also rapidly going ahead with his own production plans and soon expects to have the first batch of *Public Prosecutor* films ready for NBC (*The Billboard*, April 10). He is also blueprinting a bevy of new productions of new productions.

#### **Stowman Heads Tele** Sales for WFIL-TV

PHILADELPHIA, April 10.-Kenneth W. Stowman, who supervised the construction and the initial opthe construction and the initial op-erations of *The Philadelphia In-quirer's* WFIL-TV, has been ap-pointed television sales manager of the station. Video sales will be closely integrated with the WFIL radio sales set-up and all under the direction of John E. Surrick, sales director for *The Inquirer* stations. Stowman will be responsible for tele sales in both the mational and local sales in both the national and local fields.

Roger W. Clipp, general manager of all *Inquirer* stations, which also include FM and fax, will continue as the over-all head of video as well as of the radio set-up. As such, Clipp will be the general manager of both stations and decentralize the funcstations and decentralize the func-tional duties of a director of tele-vision, which title Stowman held.



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NEW YORK, April 10 .--- RKO--NEW YORK, April 10.—KKO-Pathe, Inc., a subsidiary of RKO-Radio Pictures, and the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) were negotiating this week for the broad-casters to take over the film firm's New York studios Harry Michael New York studios. Harry Michael-son, president and general manager of RKO-Pathe, said this week that the deal, if completed, would give NBC exclusive rights for the use of the lot on East 106th Street, which includes three sound stages and a music stage. The facilities of the uptown plant,

less than two years old, are deemed ideal for video use, and several other tele stations, including some not yet on the air, are known to have cast acquisitive eyes in its direction. Two feature films were made in the studios this year, and a third now is in production on the lot. The Daily News tele station, WPIX, is known to have been in close consultation with RKO about having the movie firm produce WPIX film programs for the station, but there were no discussions about WPIX actually taking over the studios and making its own pictures. studios and making its own pictures. Considerable speculation is now afield concerning NBC's intentions, should the pact be inked. Jerry Fair-banks, who is now supplying all the web's film needs, has his studios in California, and one possibility is that he might move in and staff the New York studio as well

York studio as well.

#### N.W. Or Else!

MINNEAPOLIS, April 10.--For some two or more years now the Cowles-owned Minne-apolis Star and Tribune have been trying to change the name of the Northwest to "something more fitting." They ran a contest and selected the designation "Upper Midwest" as the proper monicker for the area.

Monicker for the area. New firms were urged to in-corporate the title into their business names, but only two new companies fell for the gag. Recently the Cowles boys ap-plied for video station in Min-neapolis. The permit was granted. The firm pareo is the neapolis. The permit was granted. The firm name is the Northwest Broadcasting Company.

### Wynn Auditions For Texas Seg

NEW YORK, April 10.-Ed Wynn, who tossed his fire chief helmet into the prop room several years ago, this week blew the dust off it and au-ditioned for the top spot on his old radio sponsor's new television show. Wynn is being considered by the Texas Company to headline its hourseg, purchased this week from long WNBT.

No starting date has been set for No starting date has been set for the 8 to 9 p.m. Tuesday period, but Myron Kirk, of the Kudner Agency, said he gained a time extension to acquire a suitable property. The deal with WNBT gives Kirk 60 days from the Tuesday (6) pact date to get a show on the air

show on the air. Wynn got his radio start via Texi-co's early radio sponsorship.

#### **Stokes Goes Into Tele**

CHICAGO, April 10. -Harold Stokes, program manager for the AM and FM operations of the American and FM operations of the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) cen-tral division, is taking over the post of program manager in ABC tele-vision also. The web's station here is WENR-TV.

### Don't Fight It, Join Parade **Theaters** Told

HOLLYWOOD, April 10.sion will bring about a decline in motion picture box-office takes, a report by the video committee of the Southern California Theater Owners' Association (SCTOA) said this week. The reduction, the report continued, probably will be only temporary, and film interests were urged to hop on the tele bandwagon now. The survey also declared that "television cannot and should not be retarded in any way by this industry."

The committee told SCTOA mem-bers that, while surveys indicated a reduction in "movie-going habits of these set owners," the group predicted that "once the novelty period has worn off, it (tele) will find its place in the entertainment scope of the American way of life, the same way as did radio." The report also urged that "the publicity departments of the studios and theater interests con-cern themselves with television ad-vertising and make full use of its facilities to the extent that every feature picture will eventually be sold in every living room." The committee told SCTOA mem-

Theater owners were urged to gain legal clearance before using any tele matter on their screens. This would seem to head off the court battle many observers believed would be many observers believed would be necessary to determine rights of ex-hibitors to project telecasts onto their screens. However, the SCTOA group also predicted that theater tele is definitely on the way, and stressed the necessity of theater owner experi-mentation with while tole at the mentation with public tele at this time. Caution was urged in pur-chasing of equipment as well as in selection of programs which would lend themselves to audience interest, since dull material would kill the patrons' enthusiasm for video in flicker houses.

#### Speak Up, Madam!

NEW YORK, April 10. – American Broadcasting Company (ABC) has taken an option on a video show packaged by Walter Kiernan, radio commentator and newspaperman. The show is de-scribed as a Mr. Anthony in rescribed as a Mr. Anthony in re-verse, with Kiernan giving prob-lems to people in the audience who have no problems. The audience tries to solve them. The program may debut late this month in Philadelphia or Washington

Washington.

#### I EAVESDROPPED AT SARDI'S

And hear all about how lots of stars swear by Moss photos, as if I didn't know it! You will, too, once you give us a try. Today, huh?



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### **AFM Pact With Tele Is Near;** Webs Try To Hold Pay Down

NEW YORK, April 10.-Network | York, was grounded in Pittsburgh. execs and the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) are close to a 90-day agreement covering scales for musicians performing in television. As indicated in *The Billboard* last week, this pact would be a short-term one-for three months or 13 weeks-and would be designed to allow the webs and tele operators to start pro-duction of musical TV programs. It is expected that the pact will be in the nature of a trial period; in other words, it would give both television producers and the AFM a chance to become familiar with actual problems involving use of musicians in the new medium. At the end of the three-month period, the contract would be subjected to changes in accordance with facts learned.

The latest session of the AFM with network brass was held Friday (9). James C. Petrillo, AFM chief, was absent because of a bad cold and also because his plane, en route to New

Petrillo was expected in New York today (Saturday). In recent negotiations, webs have

In recent negotiations, webs have been making an effort to keep down TV scales, the view being that high scales would set a bad precedent. This is the inside story behind the collapse of the negotiations for the use of 14 musicians on the Swift TV show on the National Broadcasting Company Agency McCanp-Fride Company. Agency, McCann-Erick-son, was willing to go as high as \$400 to \$600 per broadcast for musicians and arrangements, but web execs nixed the deal as exorbitant.

On duplicated shows also, efforts are being made to keep the TV scales down. Price for use of music on such shows is one of the final points being worked out in the recent negotiations. The AFM first expected, or asked for. \$10 extra per man, but the webs countered with a much lower figure. Final settlement is expected perhaps to halve the original demand.

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E TV NETWORK PICTURE

### **NBC** Maintains Head Start In Growing TV Net Field

NEW YORK, April 10.—The National Broadcasting Company (NBC) is maintaining its lengthy lead in the expanding field of network tele-vision potentialities. Altho comparatively few actual contracts have been signed by any of the webs, the number of NBC affiliates with CP's

been signed by any of the webs, the number of NBC affiliates with CP's (construction permits) and applications pending exceeds that of the other two AM radio networks, Columbia (CBS) and American (ABC). The lists below, on a network basis, show as of current standing, the number of stations on the air; the number of affiliates granted CP's; the number operating under special temporary authorizations and the number with applications pending. WMAL-TV, Washington, shown as a signed ABC affiliate, had not signed its contract as of Saturday (3) but was expected to do so momentarily. In Baltimore, CBS has signed with WMAR-TV, altho its AM affiliate, WCAO, has an application pending.

WCAO, has an application pending. A list showing all other TV stations. applications and CP's, as of the moment without any network affiliations, will be published in next week's issue of *The Billboard*.

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DENVER, April 10.—Denver's television picture began to come into focus this week with the filing of two applications and the formalizing of plans to file a third. The first operating commercial station tc file was KLZ, altho Alf M. Landon, of Kansas, whose standard station, KTLN, is within a few weeks of hitting the air here, had applied previously. Tues-day (6) the stockholders of the Daniels & Fisher Stores Company, whose downtown tower is Denver's tallest structure, gave overwhelming approval to the plan of the department store's directors to go into television. A. P. CRSS TV Pacts CRS TV Pacts

### **CBS TV Pacts Sidestep Rates** And Programs

NEW YORK, April 10.-Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) added nine new affiliates to its TV web this week, altho it is understood that the affiliation pacts do not go into details on two important problems, station compensation and program service. The inference to be drawn is that fees will be worked out later and that CBS will provide enough programing serv-ice when it is able. The additions give the web a total of 12 outlets. In a statement Herbert V. Akerberg, web vice-president, pointed out: web vice-president, pointed out: "Success in the television race is to be with the quick.... They (the sta-tions) realize that the means by which television programs are brought to their local stations is not the paramount issue of the moment. . . ." Three CBS video outlets are on the

Three CBS video outlets are on the air—in New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore. The new stations are WFBM-TV, Indianapolis; WHIO-TV, Davton. O.; WKRC-TV, Cincinnati; WBT-TV, Charlotte. N. C.; WHAS-TV, Louisville: WBNS-TV, Columbia, S. C.; KRLD-TV, Dallas; WNBF-TV, Binghamton, N. Y., and KGDM-TV, Stockton Calif

Stockton, Calif. Unlike the CBS deals, National Broadcasting Company's TV affilia-tion contracts specify rates, program feeds and line-sharing arrangements.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 10.— Television Station WNHC-TV, which will debut here about May 1, signed this week as a DuMont network af-It was DuMont's first entry filiate. into New England and meant wrap-ping up an outlet also being ogled by the other tele webs. The station is operated by the Elm City Broadcasting Company, which also operates the independent AM adjunct. WNHC, and will use the full DuMont program schedule.

#### J. McNaughton Inked **ABC Video Art Head**

NEW YORK, April 10. - James McNaughton was signed this week by the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) as national video art director. McNaughton 'will supervise the de-sign of all ABC video studios and facilities, and will also carry the refacilities, and will also carry the re-sponsibilities of producer-director. He will join the web about May 1, when his resignation from WATV. Newark, N. J., will take effect. McNaughton previously was with the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS). Meanwhile, the web was understood to be nearing a deal for a New York studio site on East 69th Street near Second Avenue. The building, it is understood, is a deserted firehouse.

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#### KLZ Broadcasting

Within an hour after the D. & F. announcement, Hugh B. Terry, general manager of KLZ, stated that the KLZ Broadcasting Company had just placed its application on file in Wash-ington. Terry said he expected ulti-mately to be a link in the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) crosscountry network.

country network. In the meantime, Gene O'Fallon, owner of KFEL, Mutual Broadcasting System affiliate, let it be known he was sufficiently interested to be mak-ing inquiries of the Federal Com-munications Commission (FCC). He made public a letter to T. J. Slowie, FCC secretary, inquiring about "the possibility of being licensed to operate experimentally for black and white television in the frequency spectrum television in the frequency spectrum between 500 and 900 megacycles."

#### **KFEL's** Inquiry

The letter continues: "We under-stand this band of frequencies has been designated for color television and will accommodate about 25 chan-nels 16 megacycles wide. Our position is that the ultimate future for television is in the color field. . . . If we were licensed to operate with experimental black and white television in this region, it would be our pur-pose to investigate equipment operapose to investigate equipment opera-tion and transmission characteristics. ... At a later date.... We could con-vert. Meanwhile, we would be se-curing valuable information in the higher frequency band.... All tele-vision may be forced... to operate in the higher frequency range in the not-too-distant future. This is evi-denced by the shortage of available lower frequency television channels lower frequency television channels now developing."

O'Fallon echoed Terry and spokes-men for the other tele-interested months have passed."

**Opera**, Musicals For Coast Video

HOLLYWOOD, April 10.-Deal for telecasting of light operas and mu-sical comedies from Hollywood's outdoor Greek Theater this summer will shortly be pacted by Foote, Cone & Belding (FC&B) Agency. Prelimi-nary agreement was reached this week between legit producer Gene Mann and Arnold McGuire, FC&B Coast tele topper, calling for once-a-week telecasting of all five productions skedded next season.

Marking first such event offered to Coast lookers, teleshow will be broadcast on Saturday evenings, and will include presentation of entire performance rather than segments of shows. FC&B will retain control of the package for resale to one of several interested bankrollers. Tele station to be used has not yet been announced.



NEW YORK, April 10 .- The first rate card, issued this week by The New York Daily News' video outlet, WPIX, set forth a basic rate of \$1,200 per hour for live studio shows. The rates, among the highest extant, surprised tradesters particularly since the station will not commence op-erations until June 15. Basic hourly rate for film and remote shows will be \$800 per hour, for Class A time, between Cr m thrue classing Monder between 6 p.m. thru closing, Monday thru Friday, and from noon to clos-ing on Saturdays and Sundays.

The station will allow frequency discounts but not cash discounts. The rate also includes staff announcer, transmitter and film facilities, re-corded musical background for film commercials and for live shows, studio and camera facilities and tech-nical personnel. The rates also include camera rehearsal time at a ration of three to one, with an addi-tional charge of \$100 per hour for time in excess of this ratio.

groups in cautioning Denver against expecting television "before many

## WRGB Area Poll Finds High Percentage of Tuned-In Sets SCHENECTADY, N. Y., April 10.— Relatively high usage of television re-ceivers in the area of WRGB has been determined by a coincidential television re-determined by a coincidential television re-

determined by a coincidental tele-phone survey conducted among Schenectady, Albany and Troy residents. The data, gleaned from a total of 679 phone calls to people on the WRGB program mailing list, include pertinent conclusions about television viewers both at home and in public

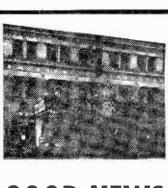
places. With respect to residential use, it was found that sets are normally turned on for 5.4 evenings a week. However, three-fourths of the re-spondents said they tune in all six nights. About 68 per cent of the re-ceivers were on when the phone call was made; 18 per cent had been or were going to be turned on during the evening; 9 per cent were not on and had no intention of viewing, and al-most 5 per cent of the receivers were out of order.

Approximately 81 per cent of the residential receiver owners watch the entire program, while the remaining 19 per cent tune in only to programs that interest them. During the two weeks in which the survey was made,

In public places, video sets are in use 5.5 evenings a week, and 83 per use 5.5 evenings a week, and 83 per cent of these sets are turned on every evening on which programs are of-fered. When the phone call was made, about 84 per cent were turned on: 14 per cent had been on or were going to be turned on; 1½ per cent were not on, and less than 1 per cent of the sets were out of order.

cent of the sets were out of order. About 79 per cent of the public places normally have their receivers on for a full program, whereas 21 per cent tune in for part of the eve-ning. During two weeks in which phone calls were made, there was an average of 32.6 viewers per set in taverns, grills, lodges, hotels and fire stations reached. Of the 679 phone calls made during

Of the 679 phone calls made during the survey, 544 calls were completed in homes with receivers and in 135 In homes with receivers and in 135 public places with receivers. Calls were spaced evenly over a five-day weck, the Schenectady calls being made between February 3 and 12, and the Albany and Troy calls be-tween 9 and 16. No Sunday calls were made.



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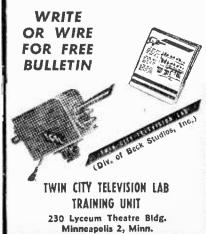
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#### St. Louis Wrestling

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#### TV Airs R-B WGN-TV's Preem Proves Talent Alone Doesn't Mean Good Tele **Garden Bow**

Cameras pick up thrills in close-ups-long show gives opportunity for experiment

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excellent shots of the various acts. It might be noted that the changing lighting for such a Garden event probably raised problems which do not usually harass TV crews working on a special event; despite these on a special event; despite these changes, however, reception was good and at times outstanding. Note-worthy examples were the close-ups of such acts as Unus, the equilibrist; Francis Brunn, the juggler; various animal acts, and the Alzanas, a startling turn on the high wire. With-out a doubt, the close-ups of these turns enable a televiewer to see the minutiae of an act much better than if he were seated in the Garden. These close-ups had no fuzziness. They were, as is television's wont, extremely revealing and gave the extremely revealing and gave the viewer a wonderful idea of the danger ever present in some circus turns.

#### Super-Imposition Effective

The camera, too, occasionally at-tained very dramatic effect by the use of super-imposition. Examples of this occurred during the Alzanas' turn, the picture portraying simultaneously the trio's work on the high wire and the father's watchful signaling on terra firma below the wire. Gil Fates, the CBS commentator, added to the effect by pointing out that one of the Al-zanas, who has fallen from the wire, had been saved by Alzana Sr., who broke the fall.

The camera work was rather fluid panning from one ring to another. In this way it was possible to present alternate snatches of action taking place in the three different rings. During the animal acts, for instance, this technique was used consistently so that the viewers could see three so that the viewers could see three sets of Liberty horses working, and assorted bear and cat acts. The cat acts, incidentally, were performed acts, incidentally, were performed within a screen made of strong steel mesh. This mesh worked to the detriment of clarity on the long shots, but on closer views the brightness of the lighting obviated this difficulty. Of course in the shooting of such the lighting obviated this difficulty. Of course, in the shooting of such turns as the Liberty horses, tumblers or clowns, only the guy wires and occasional rigging got in the way of the camera—and this was never a major disturbance.

#### Gil Fates a Big Help

Gil Fates has been cited for his in-teresting commentary on the Alzanas. On other occasions, too, Fates's verbiage gave the viewer a greater insight into the performance. Examples were into the performance. Examples were his remarks on the different types of clown make-up, the diameter of standard rings, the pace of Percheron horses, brief interjections as to how and where John Ringling North contracted an act, and so on. Fates's job, incidentally, was tougher than it should have been, inasmuch as the opening program did not run the acts according to schedule—a situation which probably forced him to do more Act in question in the libel ruling.

CHICAGO, April 10.—First non-experimental program aired by Chi's newest tele station, *The Chicago Tribune's* WGN-TV, Monday (5), proved above all else that talent alone does not make a good video show. For this show had some top nitery and vaudeville talent, but many times the acts suffered from lack of rehearsal in front of the camera and from poor camera work and direction. That does not mean that the show was not one of the best ever witnessed by the home audience. Such talent as Georgie Gobel, McCarthy and Farrell, Gil Maison's animal act, Tito Guizar, the Sensational-

ad libbing than he'd counted on. Occasichally his interjections were pointless, as when he said, "there is the keeper," at the beginning of an animal act. Fates's stature as a animal act. Fates's stature as a spieler grew as the show went on, however, for despite working with a scrambled schedule he managed to convey to the audience a lot of interesting circus lore. And he didn't talk too much.

The Ford commercials, thru J. Wal-ter Thompson, were rather disap-pointing. They were on film and were very brief. In an age when radio commercials are criticized as too lengthy, it may seem odd to say that. lengthy, it may seem odd to say that Ford's commercials are too short. But they give that impression. The films showed shots of Ford passenger cars and trucks, with an accompanying rapid fire commentary—so rapid that one got the impression Ford wanted to get the products out of sight and out of mind, if possible.

#### Imagination Lacking

Then, too, while a view of Ford is undoubtedly a hypo to sales, why don't the commercial plotters also make use of something more ingenious and interest-compelling in the Ford story. Other companies, notably American Tobacco, have grown out of swaddling-clothes stage of video commercial copy, and it's time other major users of the medium, including Ford, Gillette and others, followed suit. As things are now, if there's a Ford in your future, tele-vision won't bring it to your attention too much.

One thing more. For an adult, 3 hours and 35 minutes is an awful long time to watch a tele show. May-be the kids can go it at that length of time, but the matter of circulation, cost per 1,000, et al., will inevitably have to be gone into before it can be determined how good a good thing can be can be.

On most grounds, the show was a credit to CBS, and kudos are deserved by Directon, Fred Rickey and Bob Bendick, CBS video special events director, who had over-all supervision.

#### PORT HURON HEARING

**PORT HURON HEARING** (Continued from page 9) his district had expressed concern over the effect of the ruling. Invited by the FCC to submit briefs and participate in the hearing are the NAB and E. D. Rivers, own-er of WGOV, Valdosta, Ga., and KIDO, Boise, Idaho. Both the NAB and Rivers had petitioned the FCC to be heard on the subject, while KIDO has a standing request to be represented at any hearing involving the section of the Communications



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ima act, Tito Guizar, the Sensational-ists, Maurice and Maryea, the Dor-othy Hild Dancers, Two Ton Baker, Rosalind Courtright and Bob Hop-kins, all of whom were on the pro-gram, obviously have plenty of ma-terial to keep viewers at their set for a couple of hours.

Gil Maison's animal act is ruined because of poor camera work. Anbecause of poor camera work. An-other obvious point was that some acts, which go over well in niteries or theaters, just can't project via television. Case in point was the performance of McCarthy and Far-rell, pantomime artists, who give im-pressions of disk stars while records are being played. This act has been wowing capacity growth at the Palwowing capacity crowds at the Pal-mer House, but much of their stuff was lost because tele cameras some-how took away from subtle parts of their performances. Easily one of their performances. Easily one of the top acts, and a real television potential, was Two Ton Baker, who clowned, sang and played a wicked piano. Another good video act, be-cause of the great amount of action, was the Sensationalists, roller skating trio. Their activity was restricted to a small area and the cameras were able to keep them in frame always, thus giving the video audience a complete view of the performance.

Way in which Robert Transler's orchestra was used raised another point, however. Orchestra was placed in back of acts and rather blurred, chopped-off-at-the-shoulder pix of orchestra members often con-stituted a pictorial distraction. It would have been better if the or-chestra had been placed elsewhere, with television viewers receiving full pix of the group once in a while during singing and dancing routines.

The show was made possible by the co-operation of the American Guild of Variety Artists, which waived its normal pay demands and settled for token fees.

Initial non-experimental program of WGN-TV, Chicago. Aired Monday (5) from 7:45 to 9:45 p.m. Produced by Ted Mills, directed by Don Cook and Jay Faraghan. Emseed by Lee Bennett and Jack Brickhouse. Cameramen, Jack Meyers and Jack Jacobson.

Cy Wagner.

**TAKE IT, WALKER!** (Continued from page 3)

been on the books for years, but only over a period of the last six or nine months has it been enforced.

The way it works is simple. Since U. S. residents earning above a cer-tain sum are subject to Canadian intain sum are subject to Canadian in-come tax laws, the government de-ducts 15 per cent of the salary against any possible taxes due at the end of the year. If the amount col-lected thru the 15 per cent cut totals higher than due tax at the year's end a refund is made end, a refund is made.

There is a similar law in the U.S. requiring Canadian performers to pay tax on U. S. earnings. The 15 per cent deduction rule in Canada is a result of an agreement between the U. S. and Canada (since show people are migratory and rarely stay in one spot any length of time) and is applicable to all branches of show-biz—niteries, vaude, legit, concerts, circus, fairs, etc.

Altho the 15 per cent deduction is made from the first dollar earned, taxation does not begin unless you've made over \$750 as a single person or over \$1,500 (with exemptions for dependents) as head of a family.

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Reviewed Friday (March 12), 8:30 m. Style—Sports. Commercial via

p.m. Style—Sports. Commercial via KSD-TV, St. Louis Post-Dispatch station. Sponsored by Hyde Park Brewery. Di-rector, Ed Keith Gunther. Technical director, Ed Rift. Announcer, Bob Ingam.

Inspired by a top-notch, five-match, 12-man card, KSD-TV turned in a credible job of wrestling telein a credible job of wrestling tele-casting. Announcer Bob Ingam, who doubles as an arbiter in boxing and wrestling, called the turn on every grip and counter with modest finesse. Instead of resorting to the usual audio trick of endless verbosity, Ingam gave the viewer ample opportunity to believe what he saw. An intermission period was devoted to a close-up experiod was devoted to a close-up ex-planation of the results of each match, plus an experiment in TV com-mercializing that, while rough in spots, showed promise of becoming a good gimmick.

The grunt-and-groan stanza, pro-moted by Tom Packs and featuring the National Wrestling Association's heavy champ, Bill Longson, and such of its ranking contenders as Mike Mazurki, of the movies; Lou Thesz, Whipper Watson, Bob Wagner, Felix

Whipper Watson, Bob Wagner, Felix Miquet and a half dozen others, had a near-capacity crowd of 10,000 fans raising the Kiel Auditorium roof. With cameras placed in an over-head position looking down on a 45-degree angle into the ring, the viewer saw a varied assortment of close-ups and wide angle shots that gave him and wide angle shots that gave him the impression of being a ringside spectator. Lighting was augmented by high-powered overhead spots that kept the grapplers' faces in good fo-cus. Pictures were startlingly clear.

cus. Pictures were startingly clear. Sponsor's gimmick was a new twist on "ein prosit" tied in with a "here's how" approach to the results posted on each of the four matches preceding a 15-minute intermission period in the ring action. Using Arthur T. Jones, old radio head and rated authority on modern wrestling. Arthur T. Jones, old radio head and rated authority on modern wrestling, and two of the mat huskies for studio close-up demonstrations of the holds to conclude each stanza, the sponsor scored with Jones pouring a perfect three-inch head on a glass of the liquid amber, handing it out to-ward the camera with a "Here's How" and then drinking it himself and then drinking it himself.

Abie L. Morris.

#### Long Distance Remote

Reviewed Saturday (3), 8:30-10:30 p.m. Style — Remote pick-up of store opening, direct via relay from Costa Mesa, Calif. Sponsor, Davis & Gay. Via KTLA (Paramount), Hollywood.

Interest in this scanning was more from the standpoint of technical achievement than what it offered entertainmentwise. KTLA was hired to cover the grand opening of a new tele set store in Costa Mesa, 50 new tele set store in Costa Mesa, 50 miles from the outlet's Mount Wilson transmitter. Technically, station came thru with flying colors, achieving what is claimed to be the longest relay (wireless) telecast on record. While there was some interference, picture quality as a whole was sharp and no serious loss in detail was wident. evident.

Altho some viewers may have been impressed by this KTLA first, they might well have wished for better Saturday night entertainment. Scan-ning concerned itself with little more than Keith Hetherington and Harrise

than Keith Hetherington and Harrise Brin looking over household appli-ances at the sponsor's store. Giving telecast its final ho-hum touch was a boring sequence of non-professional models displaying the new look in bathing suits, and a store-staged jitterbug contest which attracted only one couple to the floor. Station should be commended for tackling such experimental re-motes. However, viewers can right-fully hope that the future Saturday night tele sked will not be devoted to such projects. Lee Zhito. such projects. Lee Zhito.

### "Nature Boy" Abbez the Hitmaker Scramble But **Bing No Cut**

#### Sinatra set but Bing won't record sans AFM consent

HOLLYWOOD, April 10.—Caught short by Capitol's surprise disking of *Nature Boy* and its immediate suc-cess, rival major waxeries lost no time in getting in the race with post-han recording datas dofinitely stadded ban recording dates definitely skedded or in the works.

First to latch on to the hit tune was First to latch on to the hit tune was Columbia, which is skedded to cut a Frank Sinatra etching of the tune tonight (10), backed by Jeff Alexan-der's chorus. Sinatra will cut only the one tune, which will be coupled with a pre-ban disking already set for immediate release.

RCA-Victor was reportedly plan-ning to give the tune a waxwhirl with Perry Como, but at press time the date could not be verified. Decca at week's end had by-passed the tune temporarily, with no local disking skedded.

Reliable outside reports disclosed, however, that Decca had originally skedded the tune for a week-end ses-sion with Bing Crosby and a choral group. Date was abandoned late Fri-day when Crosby refused to go against the ban placed by the Ameri-can Federation of Musicians chieftain, can Federation of Musicians chieftain, James C. Petrillo. Sources close to Crosby said Der Bingle wired Petrillo Friday (9) asking for permission to cut a special disking. When no reply from Petrillo was forthcoming Friday evening, Crosby dropped the whole idea. It was said, however, that Decca would cut the tune, either with an-other Coast artist or in the East. It is recalled that Crosby has en-joyed amiable relations with the AFM since the federation okayed the singer's request to continue the tran-scription of his Philco airer. And

scription of his Philco airer. And during the recording ban of 1942-'44 it was Der Bingle who indicated he would not record without AFM's consent.

NEW YORK, April 10.—The almost immediate sock of the Nat Cole Capitol disking of *Nature* Boy stirred in-stant action from Musicraft Records here. Diskery cut an a capella master of the tune with chirp Sarah Vaughan Thursday (8) and will have its version ready for market by Monday (12) morning. Diskery claims to have sold 20,000 copies by phone only a few hours after the platter was cut.

### **NYRDA Opens B'way Offices**

NEW YORK, April 10.—The New York Record Distributors' Association (NYRDA), month-old indie distrib org, opens its office Friday (16) at 1650 Broadway, NYRDA, which now boasts 11 members, will supply its distrib members with retail store credit information on a 24-hour-a-day basis. basis.

The cost of the office and gal em-ployee will come out of members' annual dues which have now been fixed at \$100.

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HOLLYWOOD, April 10. — Crestview Music (the Carlos Gastel-Nat (King) Cole pub-bery), which owns publishing rights to Eden Abbez's Nature Boy, last week turned over sell-Carlos ing agent rights for the tune to Burke-Van Heusen. The deal was set between Gastel and Sidney Kornheiser (Mayfair-Mor-ris-B-VH), with the latter firm taking over sales-distribution of the song for Crestview on a usual commission basis. The Burke-Van Heusen firm, in turn, this week turned the song over to the Buddy Morris pubbery on a temporary agreement for the latter to act as distributor and

latter to act as distributor and selling agent. In the meantime, it was learned that Abbez—bearded, flowing-locked guy who wears the robe of an Asiatic "holy man"—has generously passed around pieces of the song to those who helped him bring it to the fore, retaining only 50 per cent of the writer royalties for himself. According to re-ports, 25 per cent goes to Mrs. Hi Kanter (Loraine Tatum) for assisting him with the lyrics, and ditto amount to Otis Pollard, King Cole's former valet, for King Cole's former valet, for bringing the tune to Cole's at-tention. Pollard has since sold half of his interest to George (Bullets) Durgom.

### **Beverly Kaput**, Shayne Joins **Para-Famous**

HOLLYWOOD, April 10.-Following agreement to discontinue operations of Beverly Music, Larry Shayne, the pubbery prexy, was named Coast general manager of Paramount Music and Famous Music, subsidiaries of Paramount Pictures. The deal which led to the folding of the Beverly shop was called "amicable and generous" by both sides concerned. Details of the settlement were not revealed. Under the new set-up, Beverly's catalog will be absorbed by both Paramount and Famous. Paramount is starting work immediately on Beverly's tune Feathery Feeling, while Famous will bear

Feeling, while Famous will bear down on Baby, Don't Be Mad at Me when it's ready for release. Latter firm also gets Beverly's Dream Girl. In addition to Shayne, Beverly's stockholders are Dick Haymes, Billy Burton and Sy Mannis. Shayne's duties here will be to supervise Famous-Paramount pluggers Tubby Garron and Dave Bernie. He will be directly responsible to Eddy Wol-pin, New York, general manager of the Famous-Paramount pubberies.

#### **BRENTANO'S DISK BIZ**

NEW YORK, April 10.—Brentano's, one of New York's leading book shops, this week joins the Doubleday shops in the growing trend for book retails to dip into the retail disk biz. Brentano's new disk department is skedded for unveiling Monday (12) and will feature a line of domestic and foreign waxings.

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#### "Deck of Cards" Wins for Tyler

NEW YORK, April 10.—T. Texas Tyler, on the strength of his *Deck* of *Cards* disking for the 4 Star label, has been signed for a Carnegie Hall folk music concert, Sunday, April 25.

Tyler, who will be accompanied by a hillbilly ork on the date, will draw \$500 plus 50 per cent of the gross over an undisclosed figure, according to Ernie Anderson, who is promoting the date with WAAT's hillbilly disk jockey, Dave Miller.

### **B-VH Headed Toward Break From Morris**

#### Bing Confab To Map Course

HOLLYWOOD, April 10.—Definite status of the Burke-Van Heusen-Buddy Morris tie-up remained un-settled at press time, altho indica-tions pointed to a complete B-VH breakaway from Morris this week. According to Johnny Burke. a meet-ing will oe held with Bing Crosby today (10) to definitely chart B-VH's future course of action. After a four-and-a-half year deal, Burke-Van Heusen's contract with Morris ex-pired and so far has not been re-newed. According to Jimmy Van Heusen, reached via long distance at Palm Springs. Morris pact definitely will not be renewed. Johnny Burke withheld statement until after talks with Der Bingle today are completed. Morris is continuing work on the Road to Rio score on a temporary basis. Sid Kornheiser (Mayfair-Mor-ris) remained mum on the final snip-ping of ties. ping of ties.

ping of ties. In the meantime, trade talk put B-VH under the Paramount Music banner, but neither Burke, Van Heusen nor Paramount were willing to comment on possible deal. Accord-ing to Burke and Van Heusen, vari-ous deals are on the fire, including an offer from Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), for them to foresake the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCA.). Cleffer-team publishers said BMI had made an offer guaranteeing an "astronomical" amount (one source said five-year guarantee was over \$500,000) but no deals have been made to date. Crosby (a B-VII stock-holder) show tunes are handled ex-clusively by Burke-Van Heusen, could not be reached for a statement.

#### **PAXTON SWITCHES AGAIN**

NEW YORK, April 10. - Orkster NEW YORK, April 10. — Orkster George Paxton who, some eight weeks ago, switched affiliation from As-sociated Booking to the Music Cor-poration of America (MCA) this week reversed the process and vamped to Associated again. Paxton's seesawing presumably stemmed from MCA's inability to obtain dates for the orkster the orkster.

Associated has the MGM waxer set for the State Theater, Hartford, Conn., April 23-25; Apollo Theater, here, week of May 7, plus a string of col-lege dances in between.

### TO WAX, OR NOT TO WAX? **Labels Busily Prime** New **Release Pump**

#### Master Deals, New Cuts Pop

(Continued from page 3)

cluded a whole slew of labels. Signacluded a whole slew of labels. Signa-ture Records here is planning an a capella date late next week for sing-er Alan Dale. The session will utilize new material on four sides and marks probably the initial ban date not specifically aimed to keep pace with breaking hits. Accompaniment will include non-union harmonica and ukulele instrumentalists. Signature disform meanwhile here

Signature diskery, meanwhile, has had a European representative on the Continent for the past month. The diskery's rep, Ed Constantine, has been on the prowl for matrices suit-able for the pop and longhair field. Constantine is said to be on the verge of completing various deals for whole sets of masters.

#### MGM Leads Way

MGM Records led the way in the outright purchase of outside masters this week, virtually completing a deal which will net the diskery 42 new masters. The diskery will acquire 28 masters cut privately by old-time orkster Burt Shefter, including a cutting of the currently hot Fiddle Faddle. In iddition. 14 sides by troubadour Derry Falligant (originally waxed for En-core Records) will be bought. Both deals were negotiated thru George (Bullets) Durgon. The latter, earlier in the week, arranged to turn over eight sides by the Bob Troup Trio to Bullet Records.

Musicraft Records has procured several masters including a waxing of *Deck of Cards*. The diskery also picked up several matrices containing vocal background music and needing only dubbed-in vocals to complete the waxings.

#### Apollo's Purchases

Apollo Records bought four new masters from the parade diskery in Philadelphia. Included in the deal was a freshly waxed organ-and-vocal disk of You Can't Be True, Dear. The Deille diskow primorily is a string disk of You Can't Be True, Dear. The Philly diskery primarily is a string band outfit and in addition to True (which is backed by Mike) it sold Apollo the pressing and distribution rights to another string band pairing, Tiger Rag and Minnie the Mermaid. Signature diskery bought four sides from Cadillac Records which for from Cadillac Records which fea-ture harmonica specialist Alan Shack-ner with a small ork accompaniment and which were pre-ban made.

#### **Coast Records Adds 200**

Loast Records Adds 200 HOLLYWOOD. April 10.—Coast Records acquired all pressing and sales rights to nearly 200 masters previously produced by Ted Yerxa's Lamplighter label. with disk to be released under Coast label in a new Lamplighter series. Masters include sides by Kay Starr. Count Basie, Charlie Ventura and Bob Zurke. Only six sides in this batch have heretofore been released by Yerxa. been released by Yerxa.

First released by Icrail stalls next week will be Kay Starr's Frying Pan and I Cried For You. The Starr and Count Basic etchings were cut by Lamplighter when artists were free-lancing.

### Shenanigans in Music Biz, Or, How To Go Crazy Trying To Outsmart Other Lawyers

NEW YORK, April 10.—All of a sudden, Messrs. Sammy Cahn, Axel Stordahl and Paul Weston have popped up in the Barton Music picture and there now unfolds a tale of music biz shenanigans that a songplugger's grand-children will gleefully pass along to the counter boys. The story begins some months ago when Ben Barton and Hank Sanicola stepped out as officers of the Barton Music firm. The lawyers wanted to effect an "orderly liquida-tion," thereby saving more cash than could be resurrected thru bankruptcy. Simple? Ha, ha. Remember Frank Sinatra originally was affiliated with the Barton holdings and was expected to put in a bid. But The Voice's ad-visers said no. and so no bid came

from the Jaffe & Jaffe law firm. But from one Herb Levine (who owns the Encore-Jewel pubberies and runs a big printing plant that puts out things like the New York telephone direcwith money) a word was heard. Le-vine would give 20G for the Barton catalog if the creditors would settle for partial payments of debts and clear the copyrights. Liabilities at the time totaled about \$81,000 against assets of about \$33,000. After hectic assets of about \$33,000. After hectic cross-fire between lawyers for the songwriters and general creditors, one plan changed to another, and finally it was agreed that if the Levine offer went thru the songwriter creditors would accept 75 cents on the dollar (payment to be made out of an assets peopling which Levine's 20C would pool into which Levine's 20G would be thrown) and the general creditors would settle for about 40 cents per simoleon.

#### Enter Traubner

The Levine offer was held up, however, since there was still time for Sinatra to top the 20G bid, if he wished. But no topper came thru. After weeks of pow-wows, haggling and turn-downs by the attorneys, this was it, men. Oops, sorry—now enters Eddie Traubner.

enters Eddie Traubner. Traubner, representing Sammy Cahn (without Julie Styne). Axel Stordahl and Paul Weston. last week came up with word, proffered thru an Eastern attorncy by name of Si Amerling, that his clients would pay 25G for the catalog under the same conditions of the Levine offer. At the meeting during which this offer was made, Sinatra's attorneys had their rep present, one Morty Becker. But Becker was mum, altho Cahn has been associated with Sinatra as a writer and Stordahl has been Frankwriter and Stordahl has been Frank-ie's musical director and arranger on Columbia disks and radio airings. Cahn, Stordahl and Weston (Capitol's musical director) happen to be song-writer creditors to the Barton firm. The three cleffers, who are owed about \$7,000, contended they would not sign agreements to a Levine offer of only \$20,000.

of only \$20,000. So back to Levine, and now the complications get more amusing. Levine refuses to okay Traubner's offer pointing out that he, Levine, was also a creditor to the Barton firm (for about \$13,000) since the song I Have But One Heart was originally copyrighted by his Jewel Music pub and was given to Barton on a royalty deal. Lawyer Billy Berksohn acted for Levine.

#### Berksohn on Spot

Latest developments indicated that Traubner would not budge unless Levine would raise the ante to 25G. Berksohn apparently would have to go back to Levine. Meanwhile, Berksohn apparently would have to go back to Levine. Meanwhile, Berksohn was in a peculiar spot, since he also represents songwriters John-ny Fairo and Morty Symes who are involved as creditors. Meanwhile, to keep the confusion going there's another offer outstanding, that of Ashley Music which has bid 25G plus another 10G to cover the estimated amount of unliquidated assets. This offer appears doubtful to get accept-

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Stevens Pub, **Hires Osfeld** 

NEW YORK, April 10 .- Herb Levine's Encore-Jewel (E-J) publishing group completed arrangements this week to buy the Stevens music catalog, formerly controlled and coowned by Jack Osfeld.

As part of the deal, Osfeld moves into the general manager's post for the E-J pubberies. The purchasing price reportedly stood at about \$20,000, which constituted the original offer by Levine to buy the catalog provided Osfeld met certain conlated creditors in the Stevens music pub with a letter outlining possibili-ties of a sale and asking an agreement to a settlement at which debts would be liquidated at 25 cents on the dollar. Presumably, the 20G from Le-vine will go into the creditors payoff pot.

Copyrights included in the Stevens holdings (in which orkster Charlie Spivak held an interest) include Atlanta, Ga.: Stranger in Town, Who Told You That Lie, etc. Two other Stevens copyrights recently had been peddled to Tonmy Volando's Laurel firm and Bobby Mellin's Mellin Music.

#### **Johnstone-Montei**

Osfeld's switch marks the end of Osteld's switch marks the end of his less-than-a-year affiliation with Jack Johnstone, who last week com-menced operations in a new partner-ship venture with Herb Montei (Johnstone-Montei, Inc.). In his new capacity, Osfeld says, both the Encore firm (BMI) and the Jewel branch (ASCAP) will resume full-scale operation scale operation.

scale operation. As part of the expansion, Murray Massey, former E. H. (Buddy) Mor-ris staffer will head up professional duties for the group on the Coast with a California assist from Paul Colby and Babs Ryan. In the East, Sam Wigler will continue in exec-utive capacity, probably supervising all of the pub's administrative opera-tion. tion.

The first plug to be concentrated on by Osfeld is Love in Fun in the Encore catalog.

### ance by the songwriter creditors. The newest and most ironic touch is that Sinatra currently may show new interest in the bidding. With Cahn, Weston and Stordahl in the market he is known to have become curious anew as to the potential values of Barton's ditties and may himself come up with a new offer. So

Becker, his rep, has said boo, althout the latter attends all meetings. As it stands, more darn music biz another 10G to cover the estimated amount of unliquidated assets. This offer appears doubtful to get accept-happening to me."

### **Bouquets and Brainstorm**

— Editorial —

**THE BILLBOARD** always is chaffing at the popular music publishers for resisting invitations to join industry promotional efforts aimed at expanding the music market potential. But for once we'll gaff the chaff and blow a kiss at the standard pubs in the Music Publishers' Association (MPA), that group of standard music firms which in-cludes such pop houses as Robbins, Warner's-MPHC, Leeds, etc., but is not related to the Music Publishers' Protective Association (MPPA), which deals mostly with popular song matters.

Anyway, the Music Publishers' Association this week announced that it had accepted appointment to join the American Music Con-ference (AMC) as a sponsoring member and Nelson M. Jansky, presi-dent of MPA, said: "The standard music publishers making up our membership have been greatly impressed by the research which has been done by the AMC and associated counsel. These studies show that the music humines then do an the threshold of a great averaging that the music business stands on the threshold of a great expansion. We cannot assume, however, that this expansion will come auto-matically without further effort on our part. We must act vigorously along the lines suggested by the information now supplied us." Jansky was referring to the AMC's large-scale survey in national

music interest (*The Billboard*, March 27) and expressed a reaction we are happy to see develop. So take a bow from BB, Mr. Jansky, and say, if you can convince the MPPA to subscribe to these same principles you'll find us scraping from the waist.

#### **On Another Tangent**

Speaking of publisher problems, it becomes increasingly evident within the pop music biz that the average peak of a "hit song's" sheet music sales has dwindled down to a comparatively alarming level. When a business man's income dwindles below his "nut" you can look for refrenchment; hence, everybody in the music biz con-fidentity, expects that a lot of computations are going to have their

can look for retrenchment; hence, everybody in the music biz con-fidently expects that a lot of songpluggers are going to lose their jobs soon. This raises the usual sympathetic sigh from the average trade listener . . and everybody . . nothing. Maybe we're only butting in because we like an awful lot of songpluggers, but isn't it time that the Music Publishers' Contact Em-ployees Union (MPCE) officially tried to do something? The "plug-gers" have a charm, place and talent of their own in the music sphere and they shouldn't be allowed to grow extinct, altho that possibility is far removed possibility is far removed.

We do think that MPCE should think in terms of constructive action aimed at keeping pluggers working despite declining market conditions. How to do it? We don't know for sure, but here's one suggestion. Why shouldn't MPCE check on a good many artists in town here and endeavor to get their approval for regular, weekly afternoon sessions at which the song pluggers could "contact" them? These could be patterned after the Jack Smith sessions in New York

These could be patterned after the Jack Smith sessions in New York which raised nary a complaint since they started. Advantages of such daylight contacting include the simple fact that it would cut a pub's expense tab for hotel hopping and allow him to keep more pluggers working. True, the biggest firms will continue to take the biggest risks with their capital and spend the most money on entertaining but the average pub who only wants to be represented at a regular interval with the artists would surely appreciate an afternoon contact opportunity as against an evening movel in remote hotels etc. prowl in remote hotels, etc.

Of course, some pluggers will argue that the "contacts" for biz reasons count on their attendance in location spots or danceries as do the hotel proprietors. But most artists will rally to a "human" ap-proach, we think, and if it boils down to black and white saving of a plugger's job, most performers would hold noontime pow-wows. At any rate, it's something for the union to play with, perhaps a boon to pub and plugger alike to pub and plugger alike.

### **AMC** Chiefs Mull Research **On School Music Training**

CHICAGO, April 10.—Not content to sit back on their laurels after completing a sweeping market research survey on general interest in music (*The Billboard*, March 27). the American Music Conference (AMC), thru its board of trustees, is deliberating the next constructive step to be taken to stir up musical enthusiasm nationally, following the findings of the national canvass. AMC chiefs met here this week to consider several moves, foremost of which is a suggestion to start research soon on the actual methods and systems, utilized in public schools to train budding musickers and systems utilized in public schools to train budding musickers.

While the A. S. Bennett Survey un-covered a need for school music, showing that early training does much to create a greater music in-terest potential in the adult, the survey didn't delve fully into what might be the best educational methods.

In the next tentative survey, the AMC intends to send questioners into cities to find which schools have done the best jobs, copy the best portions of these courses and apply them where the survey finds it is necessary. AMC execs also are pondering a promotional kit campaign which can be sent to members in various com-munities. This will contain such datas as suggestions for public speeches, program literature ads and other promotional media which can musical inclinations of the public.

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#### Sacred Diskery's Deal

NEW YORK, April 10.—Sacred Records, Inc., a Los Angeles religious diskery, has made a deal to produce religious transcriptions with the Zondervan Publishing House, of Grand Rapids. Mich. Zondervan will be exclusive distributor for the e.t.'s. The e.t. platters and a transcription player will be merchandised thru religious book stores to radio min-isters, evangelists, missionaries, pas-tors, chaplains, colporteurs and local radio stations. radio stations.

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## THAT BUSY ASCAP AGENDA Get Job as **ASCAP** Flack

#### **Public Relations Director?**

NEW YORK, April 10 .--- It is understood here that the American So-ciety of Composers, Authors and Pub-Jishers (ASCAP) may soon appoint Johnny O'Connor to a special 25G-a-year post as director of public relations.

O'Connor. who stepped down as a board director of ASCAP this year, long has been active in political cirfor the Society and is credited with having helped ASCAP considerably in Washington, where his contacts with senators and congressmen are with senators and congressmen are said to have stood the society in good stead. He is known to have applied considerable energy to the ASCAP juke-box bills, one of which has been reported out of committee this week (see other story in this department).

#### **Grateful Gesture**

The gesture toward O'Connor re-portedly stems from two motives: (1) Desire of the society to express ap-preciation for his veteran association and activities politically and (2) be-lief that the org's public relations set-up requires implementing which it ex - newspaperman - band manager-music publisher, etc., could supply. Reportedly, a special manpower com-mittee (originally set up by ASCAP to deal with problem of a general manager's post after the death of the late John Paine) has been huddling with O'Connor on the flack post and unconfirmed reports have it that at the next directors meeting the job proposed will be aired and probably voted.

### Hwd. AFM Takes **Steps To Curb** Scale Chiseling

HOLLYWOOD. April 10 .--- Officials Musicians (AFM), this week took steps to curb reported chiseling in wage scales and to squelch pressure from band buyers and ops who have barraged union with demands for lowered scales. First step was to no-tify all band bookers to double check contracts on all out-of-town one-nighters after it had been discovered that a nearby ballroom had been lopping off the standard \$2.50 per man fee called for under wage sked.

While the union said this particular instance was a result of misinter-pretation of AFM regulations, in which the op paid what was believed to be proper scale, Local 47 toppers admitted concern over reports that hungry musicians were accepting be-low-scale dates. Situation, however, was such that it was virtually impos-sible to prove. Only corrective meas-

### O'Connor May ASCAP Gross - Income Melon Hits 101/2 Million; Net Up to 81/2

NEW YORK, April 10.—Members, gathered at the annual business meet-ing of the American Society of Com-posers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) at the Waldorf-Astoria Ho-tel here Thursday (8), learned that the Society's gross-income melon for the year ending December 31, had risen to about \$10,694,000, as com-pared with the previous calendar year's \$9,889,000 round-figure count. With ASCAP's operating expenses mounting slightly the past year (from about \$2,106,000 in '46, to nearly \$2,-232,000 a year later), the net income still increased some \$679,000. The pool of greenbacks going out to mem-bers as net-distribution monies (in-NEW YORK, April 10.-Members, bers as net-distribution monies (in-cluding commitments to foreign sociuding commitments to foreign so-cieties) totaled about \$8,406,500, as against \$7,728,800 for the previous year. Calendar year computations, as usual, were drawn especially for the benefit of attending members, since the Society's fiscal year actually ends in the first quarter of 1948. Cur-rently the last quarter's royalty checks to members are just about ready to be dispatched.

Radio Main Source

The principal revenue source for the principal revenue source for the Society continued to lodge in radio, where 1,825 radio stations and 25 regional and network chains coughed up about \$6,708,802 for the use of ASCAP music.

use of ASCAP music. The breakdown in other fields of revenue included, in round figures: \$296,201 from 1,049 night clubs; \$934,-167 from 9,883 bars, grills and tav-erns; \$1,308,128 from 17,401 motion picture theaters; \$228,491 from 2,017 dance halls; \$350,573 from 1,566 ho-tels; \$144,428 from wired music firms (at the source); \$125,901 from 936 skating rinks; \$11,645 from 1,037 cocktail lounges; \$93,293 from 653 miscellaneous sources including cir-cuses, carnivals, parks, etc.; \$69,762 cuses, carnivals, parks, etc.; \$69,762 from 185 niteries with extra lounges; \$47,242 from 228 restaurants.

Significant of its expansion in the long-hair licensing field, ASCAP reported that its concert-theater revenue sources now totaled about 327 licenses who brought in some \$21,180. And from 137 symphony or-chestras, including nearly every leading group, some \$1,894 was collected.

**ASCAP** Juke Box Bill Out **Of Committee; House Okay** Seen But Senate May Balk

#### Vote Before June Likely; Upper House Fight Possible

WASHINGTON, April payments on juke-box records appears likely to reach the House floor before the end of May, as the result of this week's approval of the measof this week's approval of the meas-ure by a House judiciary subcom-mittee on copyright legislation. The subcommittee's action (reporting the bill favorably to full committee) was no surprise, since this was the one measure earlier given an even chance of passage despite delay (*The Bill-*barrd December 6) board, December 6).

Both the American Society of Com-Both the American Society of Com-posers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) and Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), have been pressing for sup-port of the bill, with ASCAP's Johnny O'Connor doing heavy spear work in Washington, and BMI's Sydney Kaye lately understood to have thrown in his weight.

#### **House Passage Forecast**

Full committee approval of the measure within the next two weeks is regarded as automatic in view of the subcommittee's recommendation without a single dissent. Passage of the measure by the House also appears assured unless unforeseen pressure against the measure devel-

wage cuts can be considered in the forseeable future. Union has already made concessions in out-of-town onenighters by dropping extra pay on dates within 25 miles of Los Angeles Suble to prove. Only corrective meas-ure was to police spots and if viola-tors are found. deal severely with them and warn other Local 47'ers. With biz way down, and over 200 new members coming into the local each month either by transfer or as new members, union said no further

10.—The ops within a fortnight. Proponents mance-fee of the bill at present see little con-cords ap-troversy forthcoming when the bill touse floor reaches the floor, altho it is possible the result that some members will raise the question of a wholesale revision of subcom-tion. The ing piecemeal legislation.

If and when passed by the House, the bill will be referred to the Senate Judiciary Committee for considera-tion. There is ample precedent for the Senate group to vote on the measure without holding additional public hearings, altho considerable opposition led by Sen. Homer P. Capehart is virtually a certainty.

Capehart is virtually a certainty. The bill would give ASCAP, BMI and other assignees the right to license juke-box operators for the use of recorded music. ASCAP has promised that the annual fee to oper-ators will be "reasonable," but has declined to mention terms. In addi-tion to the added expense, juke operators would be required to ex-pand bookkeeping in order to keep a detailed accounting under the new legislation. (For further details, see the Music Machines Department in the rear of this issue.)

#### Kearns Bill Stymied

**Nearns Bill Stymied** The House subcommittee's action marks the first major step by this session to recast the Copyright Act. Rep. Carroll D. Kearns (R., Pa.), chairman of a House education and labor subcommittee on Petrillo ac-tivities, insists he is still planning to introduce his long-deferred measure to force royalty payments but to force royalty payments, but Kearns's bill faces a stormy future inasmuch as he is finding it impos-sible to satisfy both disk-making and broadcasting interests, not to mention the American Federation of Musicians (AFM).

### Who'll Be the ASCAP Prexy; Ahlert, Buck?

#### **Taylor's Exit Stirs Interest**

NEW YORK, April 10. - Deems Taylor's departure speech at the general annual business meeting of the American Society of Composers, Au-American Society of Composers, Au-thors and Publishers (ASCAP) Thursday (8) made it plain that Tay-lor definitely was winding up as pres-ident of the Society and raised the biggest single question of the week for trade speculation: Who'll be ASCAP's pear prove? ASCAP's next prexy?

Since Taylor's term expires this month, it is almost a foregone con-clusion that the next ASCAP board of directors meeting (usually held the fourth Thursday of the month) will name a new president as well as the usual slate of Society officers.

Juiciest conjecture by observers Juiciest conjecture by observers spread the odds for prexy appoint-ment between Fred E. Ahlert and Gene Buck. The latter, veteran ASCAP leader and board director, who now enjoys an honorary pen-sion of \$25,000 a year, held the presi-dent's office in ASCAP from 1924 un-til 1941. The ASCAP-radio war in 1941 led to the break between Buck and some influential pubs on the conand some influential pubs on the conduct of network negotiations, and Buck retired. The question of whether he would now shuck his pen-sion to accept the bid, is proferred; or whether the Society would prefer Buck (since his elevation to the \$40,-(See Who'll Be Prez? on page 34)

#### Perennial Pinky!

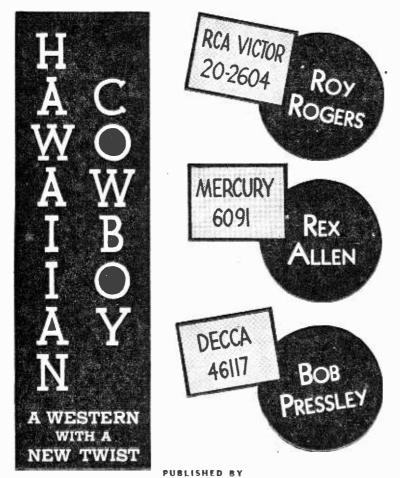
NEW YORK, April 10. – ASCAP's perennial reformer, Pinky Herman, who regularly harangues the annual biz meet-ing of the Society, didn't dis-appoint the membership this year. But

appoint the membership this year. But Herman, who covered everything from "writers' votes are unfairly weighted" to "thank you. Deems Taylor," drove one point across, and surprisingly without debate. Herman, who long has championed various plans to change the distribution of ASCAP's writer-share monies, proposed that a compromise be reached. Pointing out that he was stumping for "a seniority-of-works plan" and that Fred Ahlert still had his "perform-ance plan," Herman suggested that a committee of seven work over both plans and come up with a fusion proposal. Commit-tee would be made up of Her-man. Ahlert, Edg ar Leslie, George Meyer, Abram Chasins, Andy Razoff, Johnny Redmond and Herman. The motion was passed unanimously and the committee will be instructed to form a fusion plan and submit it to the board of directors with form a fusion plan and submit it to the board of directors with a recommendation that it be accepted.

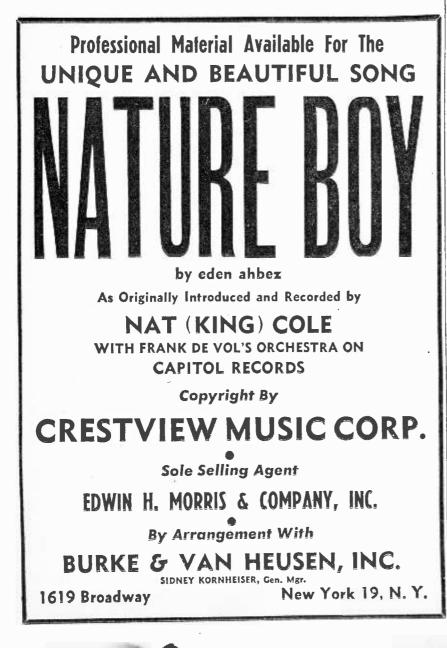
The only thing Pinky can't be sure of, is just when the fusion will be final. Performance-plan overhauling by the writers has been hanging fire for several years.

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**NEW YORK ROUNDUP** ... Paul Brenner, Andre Baruch, Bea Wain and Jack Eigen will team for the May 7 presentation at the Strand Theater: the show, skedded to run for three weeks, will package Larry Green's ork, Sarah Vaughan, the Page Cavanaugh Trio and Jerry Wayne... During the run of the Strand show, Brenner will do his WAAT *Requestfully* Yours airer from the lobby of the theater... Local flack, Buddy Basch, spinner this week via WFMO, Jersey City FM station, on a one-hour once-aweek show... A contest, held to find a tagline for singer Don Reid, of More *Than Ever Before* fame, aired over the Jack Lacy WINS show, drew some 12,000 pieces of mail... RCA Victor's one-day spinner campaign (April 16) on the Robert Merrill waxing of the *The Brooklyn Baseball Cantata* figures to net one play of the album every 54 seconds somewhere across the nation; tremendous promotion operation on *Baseball* is being directed by Victor's general merchandising manager, John Hallstrom.

**GRIPES AND SWIPES** . . . Jack M. Combes, WFUN, Huntsville, Ala.: "Why not play up the small station and small town jock in Vox Jox? We're tired of the big boys getting all the publicity."

Raymond Sharland, WGLN, Glen Falls, N. Y., joins other spinners in the following: "Why don't the record companies service the small stations, away from the bigger cities, better than they do? We get excellent cooperation from Capitol and Victor—none from Columbia and Decca, a little from MGM and Mercury, very little from Signature and Majestic."

Norman Botterill, manager of CFBC, St. John, N. B., points out that Decca records' wax is forbidden to radio in Canada, while much of the American small-label wax also is unavailable.

**TERRITORIAL TUNE TOUTING ...** Hal Barton, WTAD, Quincy, Ill., thinks Benny Goodman's Capitol platter, Good Old Days, could easily become another Near You with a little plugging by jocks."

Horace Pumphrey, WKAX, Birmingham, plugging the Tempo recording of *Siboney* by pianist Ben Light.

Frank Pollack. WEXT, Milwaukee: "Gaze down the list of top tunes being played by jocks and you will find very few recordings that are in good taste musically. An example is Four Leaf Clover, which I have never played on the air."

Allen M. Fobes, KWOA, Worthington, Minn.: "Sorry—nothing new here in the past 50 years."

**KENTUCKY KERNELS** . . . Jim Lounsbury, WHAS, Louisville, spinner (formerly all-night airer), now handles a two-hour Saturday evening spin session and will soon begin a one-hour Saturday afternoon show which will be keyed for local college students: it will include campus news and activities of schools in Indiana, Ohio, Illinois and Kentucky. Lounsbury and spinner Allan Stephens, of WINN. Louisville, play hosts weekly to teen-agers at the local Club Iroquois Monday nights, with soft drinks served at cut prices and the house band featured for dancing.

WAY DOWN EAST . . . Leonard Sternberg, spinner on WHAT, Philadelphia, does a show tabbed Record Review which features nothing but new releases; spinner says that despite Petrillo, the number of releases are so large he never has had to repeat a side on his airer. . . . Pawtucket, R. I., jockey Mark Sheeler, of WFCI, has invented a "gremlin voice" which sings along with the disks. . . Bettelou Purvis, of WPGN, Pittsburgh, dedicates the Friday segment of The Shellac Shack, a hot-jazz spin show, to selection of a noteworthy local tootler; even includes a pitch for a job if the musicker needs one. . . Music 'Til Midnight, conducted by Lyman Manser, a new spin show on WWNY, Watertown, N. Y. . . Jim Higgins, of the same station, inaugurated Take It Easy Time, a birthday request club for kid listeners of five years in age or less.

Philadelphia disk jockeys played round-the-clock hosts to two disk artists in one 24-hour period this week: Jack Smith, guided by Capitol branch manager Joe Nanni, and Harry Brannon, squired by Jack Howard, Philly pubber, whose tune *I'm a Tumbleweed* was waxed by Brannon for 20th Century diskery... Dave Rosen, Mercury distrib for Philly, tossed a spinner party guesting singer John Laurenz... Dick Hill replaced Warren (Sandy) Saunders on WKBR, Manchester, N. H., for the *Swing Soiree* and *The Verse Merchant* night-shift airers... Don Clough is a new addition to that station's staff and will handle an early morning airer tabbed *Breakfast in Bedlam*.

**CONNECTICUTTINCS**... Bob Bacon, new addition to Hartford WTHT's spinner list, handles Saturday afternoon Swing Show. ... Hartford's WCCC's program manager has added a new across-the-board jockey show to his personal sked, tabbed The Music Box. ... Jack Downey, of WONS, Hartford, now handles an additional Tuesday eve half-hour to his regular whirl duties. ... Hartford's WCCC spinner Joe Girand has had a theme tune penned for him by Fred Wise and Al Frisch, who have to their credit Blue Hawaiian Rose. ... Bob Martineau, manager of WKNB, New Britain, Conn., will supervise the station's sponsorship of a beauty contest to pick a Miss Hartford County; contest will be plugged via the station's disk jockey shows. ... Listener and audience demand caused Bridgeport's WLIZ to double Wallie Dunlap's time allotment from one to two hours daily. ... Same station's Bill Maher has no sponsor worries and no time to sell; his daily one-hour spin is available only for public service messages.

MIDWEST MEANDERING...A couple of Detroit spinners were spotted in a presentation of the Babes in Toyland operetta at the Masonic Temple; they were Johnny Slagle, of WXYZ, and Warren Kelly, of WJR. ... Doug Hadley switched from WJPF in Herrin, III., to WTAX in Springfield, III. ... WJBK, Detroit, Negro disk jockey, Van Douglas, this week started a series of personal appearances at the Duke Theater, Detroit's leading Negro flicker house, drawing marquee billing.... Graeme Zimmer, WGSI, Columbus, Ind., spinner, took the ninth monthly popularity poll for his hits show and found Count Basie as top band, Kay Starr as top chirp,

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Frankie Laine as top warbler. . . . Sid Garris, formerly with WNYC, New York, now spinning wax four hours daily over WJEL and WEJL-FM in Springfield, O.

**SOUTHERN FRIED**... Norfolk WCAV's spinners report that their heaviest requests are for small label race and jazz disks with most of the "standard stuff" taking a back seat in public favor in that neck of the woods... Chuck McKasson, KRGV, Weslaco, Tex., spinner, is following up the Mrs. Hush program idea on his show with a mystery singer contest giving away disk albums to the winners... Bob Allen has moved from WFTC, Kinston, N. C., to WNCA, Asheville... WNCA morning spinner Alan Newcomb has been promoted to program director at the station.

**CHICAGO RPM'S**... Eddie Hubbard is selling a souvenir record album, bearing his picture and plugs for his ABC Chesterfield show, to Chi local record retailers, whom he plugs with his nightly current platter hit surveys. Album-making was bank-rolled by his ciggie sponsor... Jack Paine, writer for free-lance jock Linn Burton, will work as a producerwriter for ABC video in Chi when it tees off this fall.... Joe Keith, KLIF, Dallas, reports a big mail pull from his playing Universal's *Heartbreaker* every other number on his two hours per day over the station and then sponsoring a "Why I Hate *Heartbreaker*" contest.... Rush Hughes, the St. Louis syndicated jockey, has gone into television, with his *Guest Register*, a weekly half-hour feature over KSD-TV. In addition, he is readying a video version of his *Hughesreel*, narrative feature, which he has already sold on e. t. to KYW, Philadelphia, and WBAL, Baltimore. Hughes is setting up a film firm to cut flickers for the video short feature.

**CIVIC SERVANTS**... Power of the disk jockeys to command an entire city's attention seems to be mounting. New Orleans WWL's wacky gabber, Bob Poole, has been named honorary mayor of Lonsdale, Ark.... And every Sunday night jock Cactus Jim Whitaker (of WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va.) holds the title of honorary city manager for Wheeling. From 11:30 to 1 a.m. each Sunday night, Whitaker promotes the whole durn city.

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A special feature arranged in conjunction with the National Association of Disk Jockeys. None of the comments below necessarily reflect the opinion or editorial policy of The Billboard.

NADJ's constitution committee, consisting of Jack Lazar, Art Green and Paul Brenner, is drafting a constitution to be submitted to the association. It is hoped that a summer meeting of the NADJ board of directors can be arranged after the scon-expected national elections. There also is a possi-

be arranged after the soon-expected national elections. There also is a possibility that NADJ members will hold a national convention at the time of the board's meeting. New York chapter elections are expected to be held within the next

New York chapter elections are expected to be held within the next month or so. At the New York local meeting Wednesday (7) it was decided to move the chapter's headquarters from the Hotel McAlpin to the Belmont-Plaza Hotel, effective Friday. After the meeting the members shifted over to the Hotel New Yorker en masse as guests of Shep Fields. The chapter this week went to work on a campaign for the American Cancer Society.

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Fox and His Yellow Jackets, Columbia 38082; Alexander's Jazz Band, Trilon 220; the Harmonicats, Universal U-47; Tiny Hill, Columbia 38100; Jimmy Saunders, Rainbow 10043; Arthur Guitar Boogle) Smith. Super Disc 1054; Curly Hicks and His Taproom Boys, Victor 20-2787. Electrical transcription libraries: Russ Morgan, World; Lawrence Welk, Standard. BEG YOUR PARDON Becords available: Frankie Carle, Columbia 38036: Francis Craig and Beasley Smith Published by Robbins (ASCAP) Binning Sisters, Capitol 490; Larry Green Ork, Victor 20-2647: Art Mooney, MGM 10140; Snooky Lanson, Mercury 5109; Eddy Howard, Majestic 1220; Russ Morgan, Decca 24339. Electrical transcription literation W 4. BEG YOUR PARDON 1 Russ Morgan, Decca 29439. Electrical transcription libraries: Vincent Lopez. NBC Thesaurus; Art Mooney. Associated; Russ Morgan, World. BUT BEAUTIFUI By Johnny Burke and James Van Heusen Published by Burke-Van Heusen (ASCAP) From the Paramount film "Road to Rio." 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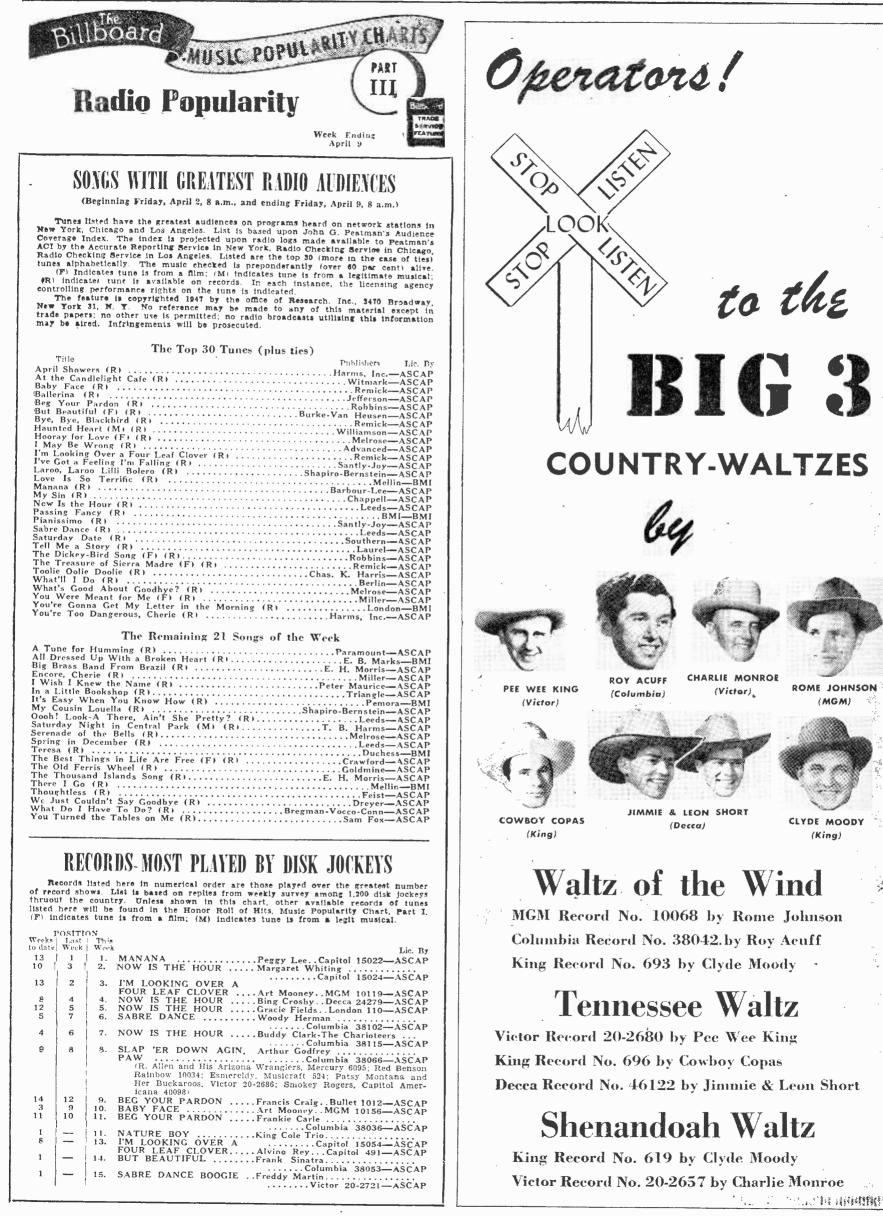


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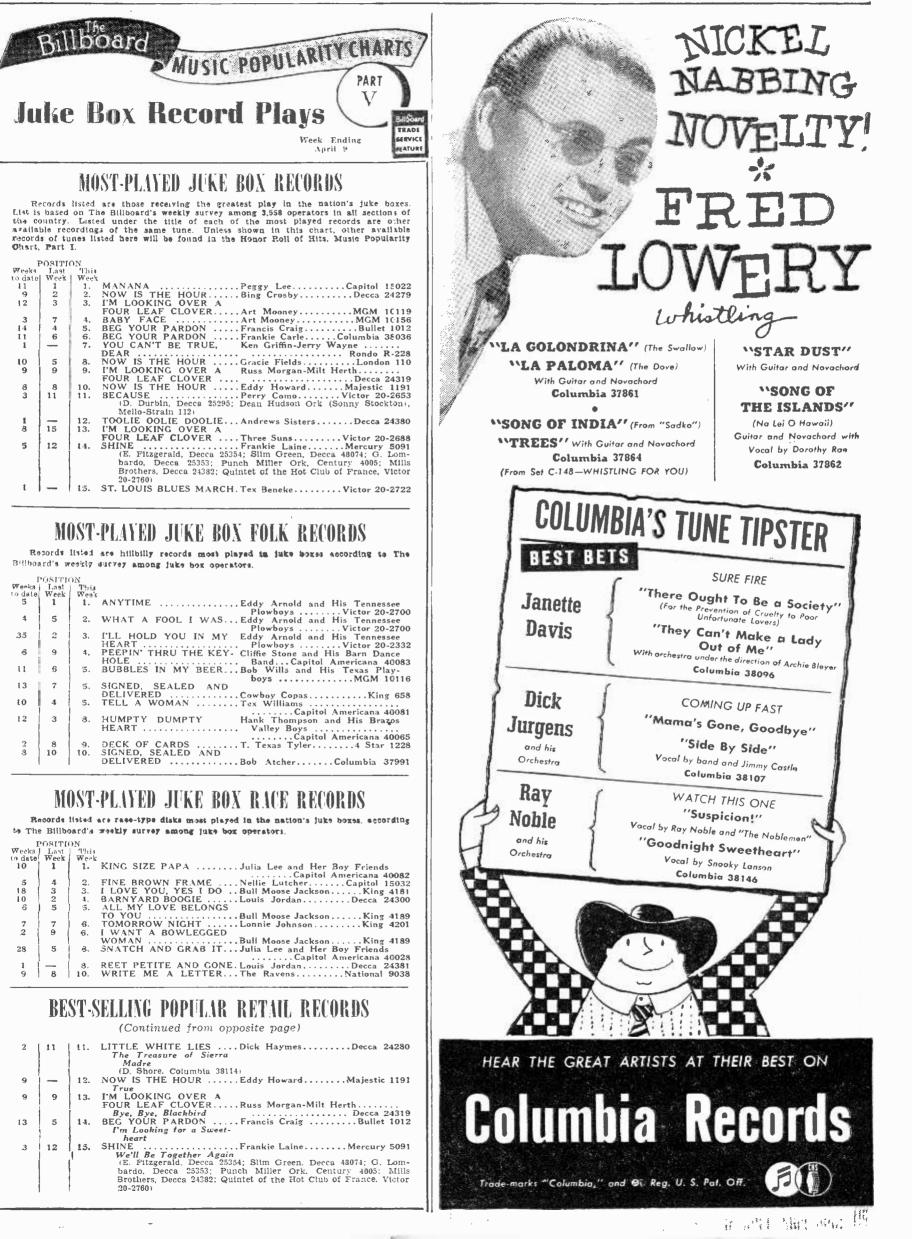
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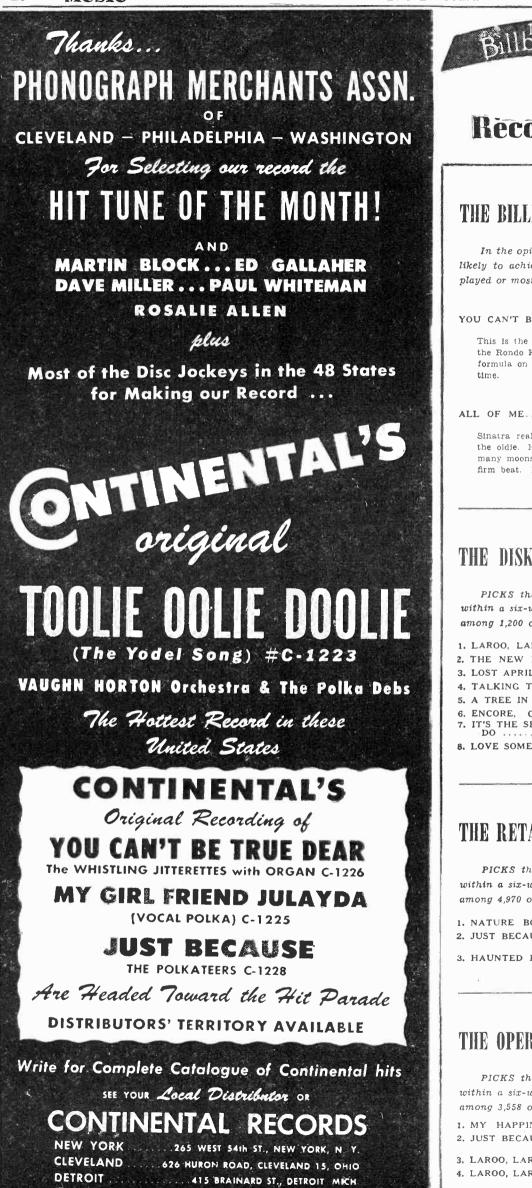
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#### THE BILLBOARD PICKS:

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:

YOU CAN'T BE TRUE, DEAR....... Vera Lynn with Chorus and Ork......London 202 This is the disk which should fully establish the tune which has cropped up via the Rondo Kén Griffin-Jerry Wayne disking. London uses the "Now Is the Hour" formula on this waxing with the choral chants showing the way in three-quarter time.

#### THE DISK JOCKEYS PICK:

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1. LAROO, LAROO, LILLI BOLEROPerry ComoVictor 20-2734
2. THE NEW LOOK
3. LOST APRIL 1.11Capitol 15054
4. TALKING TO MYSELF ABOUT YOU. Peggy LeeCapitol 15048
5. A TREE IN THE MEADOWSam BrowneLondon 123
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7. IT'S THE SENTIMENTAL THING TO
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8. LOVE SOMEBODY Doris Day-Buddy Clark.Columbia 38174

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1. MY HAPPINESS
2. JUST BECAUSE Frank Yankovic and His Yanks Columbia 38072
3. LAROO, LAROO, LILLI BOLERO Peggy Lee
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#### New York:

Both Columbia Records' artist-and-rep chiefs, Manie Sacks and Ben Selvin, are off on sales treks for the diskery. Sacks has gone into the Missouri, Kentucky and Ohio territories, while Selvin, in addition to covering New York State, will attend the Ohio Phonograph Operators' Association convention at the Hotel Hollenden in Cleveland next week. . . Electric Musical Industries (EMI) topper Wally Moody is due here from England for talks with Columbia diskery execs. . . Mitchell Parrish will write lyrics for the Leroy Anderson composition, Fiddle Faddle. . . Guitarist Dave Goldberg, drummer Jack Parnell and pianist George Shearing will join here to form an all-British hot jazz trio, it is reported.

Bullets Durgom this week signed a personal management pact with Alvy West, now at the Hotel Edison here. . . Julie Lee due into the Apollo Theater April 30, with Billy Eckstine due to follow May 7, both for one-weekers. . . . Roof of the Pruden Auditorium, Lansing, Mich., collapsed last week just prior to a Vaughn Monroe appearance; Monroe's concerts were switched to a high school where the orkster grossed \$7,000. . . . Bob Bach, formerly with the Duke Ellington show, now handling the scribbling for the Andre Baruch-Bea Wain transcription series.

Ray Bloch will celebrate 30 years in music biz and 20 years as a radio conductor with an all-Gershwin concert at Carnegie Hall, April 22, which also will feature singers Genevieve Rowe, Alan Dale, Robert Merrill and Monica Lewis.

Dou Zito is personally managing John Laurenz. . . . Irving Weiss this week departed from job as professional manager of BMI on West Coast. . . . Jazzman Eddie Condon's first date in a year other than in his own nitery here, will be a four-week run with a seven-piece jazz unit at the Blue Note in Chicago, starting May 10. Condon reportedly will draw down \$2,500 weekly for the date which was set by Associated Booking.

Musicraft Records will put out its initial unbreakable kidisks this month. Musicraft Records will put out its initial unbreakable kidisks this month. The firm previously had issued its kid stuff on shellac only... It's understood that Jones Beach Casino will return to its name ork summer policy this season for the first time since before the war... Justin Stone's ork was not signed by GAC as reported, but only booked by the agency for a date at the Kavakos Club. Washington... Peggy Lee and hubby Dave Barbour are set for two weeks at the State-Lake Theater, Chicago, beginning July 12. The pair is skedded for a six-week date at the Paramount Theater here either in Rugard or Sentember. August or September.

First sideman drafted for Benny Goodman's return to activity at the Click nitery, Philadelphia, May 24, is ace pianist Teddy Wilson, who worked with Goodman in B.G.'s early big band and chamber combo days... Johnny Moore, leader of the Three Blazers, suddenly hospitalized... Duke Ellington was three days in the hospital where a cyst was removed from his kidney. The orkster will be ready for his band's Paramount Theater engagement April 21.

Dean Hudson's ork is set for three weeks at the Peabody Hotel, Memphis, beginning July 19.... Singers Connie Haines and Alan Dale are booked into Andre's in Syracuse for a date beginning April 12.... Unconfirmed reports indicate that the Hilton Hotel chain this week completed negotiations for purchase of the St. Francis Hotel, San Francisco.

George Simon pub this week finally acquired Lost April ditty featured in flick The Bishop's Wife. Tune has been waxed by King Cole (Nature Boy flip) and Frankie Carle. . . Alibi Baby penned by Heartbreaker tunesmiths is being pubbed by Bobby Mellin's Robert Music. Ditty was re-cut Sunday (12) by Mummers string band in Philly for the Palda label. Reverse will be My Girl Friend, Julayada, polka ditty pubbed by Mellin Music, also dressed in banjo and community vocal style. . . Tea Leaves tune, waxed a capella on the Philly label. Algene, by the Emil Cote Serenaders, went to the E. H. (Buddy) Morris group, reportedly for a \$500 advance.

A Newark syndicate, organized by an independent record manufacturer, is the latest in a flock of bidders for Majestic Records Company. . . Lynn Allen, of the Merry Macs, learned while working the Empire Theater, London, with the Macs that he is the father of a girl, born in Hollywood Hospital. Baby will be tagged Dawn Lynn.

Warbler Don Reid and chirp Anne Marlow booked into Beverly Hills Warbler Don Reid and chirp Anne Marlow booked into Beverly Hills Country Club, Newport, Ky., last week for a two-week stand. . . . Tunesmith Vernon Duke back from Paris to start collaborating with Ogden Nash on a musical legiter. . . Charles E. Corcoran has joined the executive staff of the Interstate Electric Company, New Orleans distribbing outfit. . . . Shep Fields to play Sydenham Hospital benefit April 16 at Carnegie Hall. Eddie Cantor will emsee. . . . Art Mooney into the Cascade Roof of the Hotel Biltmore, here, for four weeks starting June 1.

Richard Himber's ork reopens the Tavern-on-the-Green. Thursday (15). ... Opening concert of Sigmund Romberg comes off at the Lyric Theater. Baltimore. May 14. It was originally skedded to tee-off in Newark.... Permanent symphony ork has been formed in Binghamton. N. Y., composed of remanent symptony ork has been formed in binghamion. N. 1., composed of about 80 musicians, both amateur and professional. . . Pianist Irving Fields, whose Pin-Up Polka ditty was the wedge for promotional push by the Walter Thornton Model Agency, has penned another tune dedicated to the pulchr..ude publicizer, the Walter Thornton Rumba.

Will Roland, ex-Benny Goodman manager and current producer of such Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) shows as Arthur Godfrey and Robert Q. Lewis, has purchased a 46-acre farm near Danbury, Conn.

#### **Chicago:**

Frankie Laine has purchased a Detroit record store which will be operated by his sister. . . . Morry Price headed the Mercury Caravan as road manager, taking time off as sales director of the plattery.

Mercury received word Thursday (8) that the first shipment of 2.000 Czech masters was okayed thru customs after months of red tape. John Hammond and David Hall, who leave for Czechoslovakia April 14, will line up the additional masters and intend to work out an export deal whereby Czech-made (See Music—As Written on page 34)

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### **Pressure On for Hemisphere** Copyright Pact; Dubious, Tho

HINGTON, April 10. WASHINGTON, April 10. — Anno pressure is mounting anew for Senate action on the inter-American copy-right convention, chances are slim that the treaty will be taken up be-fore the election adjournment. The that the treaty will be taken up be-fore the election adjournment. The New York Bar Association, however, has filed a petition with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee asking for prompt ratification for the treaty. True, some two dozen other bar groups have filed similar petitions during the nine months the treaty has been pending on the committee calendar. The fact remains that Sen-ate committee aids believe the heavy load of vital post-war recovery and load of vital post-war recovery and relief legislation is likely to forestall action this year.

#### **Controversial**, **Plenty**

It is further pointed out that the treaty, which provides for mutual protection for copyrighted works among the Americas, is highly conamong the Americas, is highly con-troversial, with the National Associa-tion of Broadcasters (NAB) already on record in opposition to ratifica-tion. If anti-treaty contentions of NAB necessitate hearings by the com-mittee, it is considered doubtful that hearing can be arounded into the form hearings can be crowded into the few months remaining before adjournment.

NAB's chief beef against the inter-American agreement is that it paves the way toward adherence to the Berne copyright convention, which NAB claims is contrary to U. S. copy-right law in many respects. The inter-American treaty, already ratified by five of the 21 American

ratified by five of the 21 American republics, gives an author of a liter-ary, scientific or artistic work ex-clusive right to use or authorize the use of such work in translations, printing, reciting motion pictures, broadcasting and recording. A feature of the treaty is that an author who has copyrighted his crea-tion in his own country is thereafter

tion in his own country is thereafter considered to hold the copyright in

#### **New Indie Diskery Bows in Hollywood**

HOLLYWOOD, April 10.—Another indie label made its bow here last week, taking the name of San Fer-nando Records and declaring itself primarily in the Western and folk field. Firm is owned by Jim Er-baugh, Don Clegg, Bob Remington and Car Hatfield

baugh, Don Clegg, Bob Remington and Gar Hatfield. Diskery has on hand 10 pre-ban recorded masters of which six will be released in the immediate future. Label's artists include Jack Rivers and the River Boys and Bob Reming-ton, one of the company's partners. Tunes to be released are: New Star in Heaven, I Have a Feeling I'm Losing You, If You Knew What It Means To Be Lonesome, and Blue, Blue Eyes recorded by Rivers and his group. Sides to be issued featuring Blue Lyes recorded by Rivers and his group. Sides to be issued featuring Remington are You're Not Worth a Dime and Ozark Baby With a Brand New Look. Diskery will market its platters thru independent distribu-tors:

#### **BMI** Sets 1st Field **Office in Boston**

NEW YORK, April 10.—Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), licensing org, has set up its first important field office in Boston, it was learned this week. Following the system employed by American Society of Composers, Au-thors and Publishers (ASCAP), which hires local reps in each terri-tory to secure and regulate licensing under a fixed fee schedule, BMI has named attorney M. James Zelman to go after new licensees and police current BMI music users in the Massachusetts area.

each of the other participating coun-tries.

In another section—which is con-trary to current U. S. copyright pro-cedure—provision is made for the protection of a title of a work when it "has become internationally famous and the title has thereby acquired such a distinction character as to and the title has thereby acquired such a distinctive character as to become identified with that work alone." Many of the Latin countries had urged that all titles be protected, but the U. S. delegation—opposed to such protection—managed to work out the compromise.

#### Jukers Opposed

Jukers Opposed Anti-treaty pressure also is being supplied by juke box industry rep-resentatives who foresee new at-tempts by the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) to license juke boxes for the performance of music on rec-ords. Foreign composer societies (with whom ASCAP enjoys a re-ciprocal fee collection affiliation) long have been rankled by the fact that music machines here cannot be taxed presently for playing disked works of all composers, whether foreign or American. American.

### **UAR** Creditors Order Sale of **Diskery Assets**

HOLLYWOOD, April 10.—Credi-tors of defunct United Artists Rec-ords (UAR) authorized immediate disposal of plattery's assets following a meeting held Thursday (8). Credi-tors' assignee, Francis Quittner, was ordered to put UAR on the sales block beginning with firm's mill properties (The Billboard, April 3). Five-man creditors' committee which Five-man creditors' committee, which includes Producer Otis Rene, artist Johnny Otis, and three suppliers, will supervise disposition of UAR assets.

By resorting to common law assignment, rather than bankruptcy pro-ceedings, creditors hoped to speed the disposal of UAR remains and pass savings in court costs on to creditors. Negotiations are pending for settle-ment of UAR claims against Diamond Records and Bell Records, the latter diskery a Hawaiian concern currently undergoing financial reorganization. UAR said Diamond owed the firm \$12,000, while Bell was in arrears over \$13,000 on past contracts.

Masters held by UAR, but still be-Masters held by UAR, but still be-longing to original producing groups, will be returned to owners shortly, it was revealed. Masters and platters which are UAR's exclusive property, will be offered for resale first to original producers, then to artists. If disks get no takers, platters will be sold on open market. Disks are to be offered to producers and artists at discount far below the established jobbing price of 37 cents per platter. Book value of firm's assets was revealed to be \$128,000, \$26,000 of which is in accounts receivable. Plat-

which is in accounts receivable. Plat-tery's preferred debts include a \$26,000 note held by Bank of America, \$10,000 due in government taxes, sal-ary claims and legal fees.

HONOLULU. April 10.—The ma-jority of the stockholders of the Bell Record Company here have effected the assignment of the company's assets to Howard B. Lyman, trustee, who will bend his efforts towards avoiding liquidation and keeping the authentic Hawaiian firm going. Ac-cording to Lyman, Bell's artists will assist in efforts to trim the present large inventory by providing the necessary cash to meet accounts pay-able. able.



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#### GAC Again Cracks Cocoanut Grove With Fields, Laine

N E W Y O R K, April 10.—General Artists Corporation (GAC) this week further opened a wedge into the Cocoanut Grove of the Hotel Am-bassador, Los Angeles, when the agency booked in a package coupling Shep Fields's ork and chanter Frankie Laine beginning July 13, for four weeks. GAC originally cracked thru the domination of the hostelry by Music Corporation of America thru the domination of the hostelry by Music Corporation of America (MCA) with the booking of Frankie Carle's ork into the spot for four weeks which begin May 11. Carle will kick off his General Electric airers on the Coast. The William Morris Agency has Miguelito Valdes and his ork set to follow Carle for a four-week date a four-week date.

HOLLYWOOD, April 10.—Frankie Carle last week started his one-nighter trek westward prior to open-ing at the Ambassador Hotel's Cocoaing at the Ambassador Hotel's Cocoa-nut Grove May 12. Carle appeared Wednesday (7) at Kato Ballroom, Mankato, Minn. and then moved to Minneapolis for a week's stay at the Happy Hour Ballroom. Carle's April dates are April 15, St. Cloud, Minn.; Eau Claire, Wis. (16); Sheboygan, Wis. (17); Edelstein, Ill. (18); East Liverpool, O. (20); Cincinnati (22-28); Terre Haute, Ind. (29); St. Louis (30). Carle is skedded to originate his initial Electric Hour broadcast of the summer series from the local summer series from the local umbia Broadcasting System studios May 2.

### **Majestic Creditors Gang Up for Chapter X Action**

CHICAGO, April 10.—Michael Gesas and Luis Kutner, counsel for a trio of Majestic Record Corporation creditors, met this week with a group trio of Majestic Record Corporation creditors, met this week with a group of other Majestic creditors in an attempt to further the advance of a petition presented to Federal Judge Phillip Sullivan by Kutner. The petition seeks to rearrange reorganization proceedings, which currently have placed Majestic into Chapter 11 of the Chandler Act, thereby throwing the matter into Chapter 10. Tho details of the meeting could not be obtained, counsel for the trio, Bart Laboratories, Inc., the Elizabethtown Corporation, and John Horn, who hold aggregate claims of approximately \$50.000, expressed op-timism at the additional creditors who attended the meeting. The petition for change from Chan-

attended the meeting. The petition for change from Chap-ter 11 to 10 was continued in a court appearance this week until May 13 by Judge Sullivan, when A. L. Sha-piro, counsel for Majestic, asked more time to complete the diskery's audit. Tho Majestic platters filed its sched-ule which showed assets of \$1 264 628 ule, which showed assets of \$1,264,628 and liabilities of \$989,760, in Federal Court last week, a complete listing of music publisher and artist credi-tors was missing. In the original transcript submitted to the court, the transcript submitted to the court, the amount of \$84,121 was originally typed in as owed to artists and pub-lishers but was later inked out, with the court's permission, to read, "Amount due publishers and artists being determined." Two artists, Rose Murphy, who was owed \$371.25, and Ray Dorey (\$750) were listed among creditors, but the reason for their being included while ohter major creditors such as George Olsen and Eddy Howard were not, could not be Eddy Howard were not, could not be ascertained, as Parker Ericksen and Gene Tracey, execs of Majestic, were out of the city.

## Eng. Decca Deal

NEW YORK, April 10.—Mercury Records has picked up the Keynote Records deal with English Decca for the latter to handle foreign pressing and distribution of Mercury's pro-jected longhair recordings. The Eng-lish Decca deal was rearranged following the absorption of Keynote by Mercury recently. Mercury execs John Hammond and

David Hall leave for Europe Wednes-day (14) and will make their first stop in London for a British Broad-casting Corporation broadcast which will introduce Mercury's symph to England.

stepped in. Before the Majestic plattery or any piece of its assets can be sold, however, legal observers here point out, the Chandler Act requires that the court first serve notice on all creditors before deciding to grant approval or disapproval.

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Decca-Majestic Confab NEW YORK, April 10.—Meanwhile, talks between Majestic representa-tives and Decca's veepee, Milton Rackmil, in New York, continued thru this week, with Decca reputedly of-fering to take over the Majestic disk-erry operation under a deal where ery operation under a deal where purchasing price would be paid out of profits received when and if Decca



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### Jones Assails It's Great To Play Down Under, 3 Major Spots Shelvey 'Smear'

PHILADELPHIA, April 10.-Dick Jones, executive secretary of Local 6. American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA), defending a suit brought against him by Arthur W. A. Cowan, representing 12 actors who claim \$63,000 from Jones, won the first round this week when the Federal Court ordered the plaintiffs to post a \$250 bond to cover trial costs.

The legal fracas developed out of a situation that Jones attributes to Matt Shelvey, ex-AGVA head, and the failure of the union under his rule to protect its members properly. It dates from October, 1946, when the Earl Carroll show left Los Angeles with a salary nut of \$5,500. AGVA, according to Jones, collected a cash bond of only \$2,000. Three weeks later, in St. Louis, the show was in arrears to acts. a situation that Jones attributes to

Instead of AGVA's stepping in, said Jones, the show was permitted to tour, and back salaries accrued still further. In Boston, the union got an additional \$1,000 from Carroll, but since more money was owed acts from the Boston date, the amount was still insufficient.

#### **Complaints in Philly**

On January 14, 1947, the show reached Philly to open at the Earle. Practically every member appeared in Jones' office to kick and was told to write out a separate complaint. "The orginals are in my office," said Jones.

Jones. The show opened at the theater for \$7,500 and a percentage of \$24,000. Jones asked the theater to turn the guarantee over to the union and was told that \$5,000 of it had already been advanced to Bobby Vernon, Earl Carroll's rep. Jones then told the house heads, in the presence of the cast, he would pull the show. House booker Harry Mayer, accord-ing to Jones, replied: "Mr. Shelvey said you can't pull the show." Jones phoned Shelvey. "Dave Fox

Jones phoned Shelvey. "Dave Fox Jones phoned Shelvey. "Dave Fox answered and before I even opened my mouth, Fox said, "There'll be no show pulled!.' I demanded to speak to Shelvey and he told me Shelvey was too busy. It was the first time Shelvey was 'too busy' to talk to me in 23 months."

#### \$3.000 Check

Subsequently, Jones said, he got a \$3,000 check from AGVA National and started to pay the acts and buy them transportation to the Coast. All AGVA members, said Jones, were paid as far as the bond went.

The suit now brought by them, he said, is an attempt by Shelvey and his spokesman, to "besmirch my character and that they (the actors) were advised by Shelvey to file these ridiculous charges."

#### What? No Fares?

NEW YORK. April 10.—Joe Saxe, owner of the Gatineau Country Club. Toronto, operates on about a \$600 budget, using three acts. Last week he phoned Sol Tepper and asked him to get him something with a name. "I'll tell you what," said Tep-

per. "I think I can get you Kaye Thompson." "Oh, yes—I heard of her," re-plied Saxe. "Offer her \$250."

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## But Hard To Come Out on Top

(Continued from page 3) (Continued from page 3) got a brand new routine. Or if you're a smash, you play it again. If you get to Australia at the time of the year when the rest of the circuit is closed, and if you can't play Sydney or Melbourne, you just lay off, since consecutive work is not guaranteed. In other words, all you can be fairly sure of is 12 weeks (with a week's lay-off) between Sydney and Melbourne." Miss Bowman, who played with an 11-act U. S. unit called the Star-dusters, said that David L. Martin, head of the Tivoli chain, was as nice as he could be to U. S. performers, and it wasn't his fault if the acts did not know conditions before they hit Australia.

hit Australia.

Taxes Are Murder

Taxes Are Murder The tax question, Miss Bowman revealed, is also murder. Altho be-fore she left America she was as-sured by the Australian consul that the bite would be only about 30 per cent, she said, she found the tax was about 55 per cent, deducted weekly at source. Furthermore, she 'could get no rebate on exemptions until she had her ticket to go home. That makes it pretty fourth for per-That makes it pretty tough for per-formers to collect any loot coming to them.

On top of all this, tax exemptions

#### **EMA-ARA Harmony** Hits Record High

CHICAGO, April 10. - Relations between the Entertainment Managers' Association (EMA) and its parent or-Association (EMA) and its parent or-ganization, the Artists Representa-tives' Association (ARA), national agents' group, which had been in a trying state since EMA linked with ARA about three years ago, hit an all-time high this week following a general membership meeting of EMA, at which Sid Page, prexy, and Jack Russell, first v.-p., related details of their meeting in New York with other members of ARA's board of governors. governors.

A survey of the 45 members who attended Thursday's (8) meeting re-vealed that the breach between EMA and the national org has been bridged. Main reason for optimism of the Chi membership was presence at the meeting for the first time of reps of the major offices in an official caacity. Agents working in Chi for major offices previously were con-sidered associate members of the New York chapter, as their offices were registered with the Gotham chapter, and the fact that these skedders were and the fact that these skedders were not attending Chi meetings in an ac-tive capacity had long been a gripe. Reps of major offices here received a note from ARA notifying them that they were now able to participate participate actively in Chi meetings, and the presence of reps from GAC, MCA and WM pleased the membership.

Page appointed Jack Russell chairman of the membership committee, which wound up with eight volunteer which wound up with eight volunteer members. This group will meet again in two weeks to map plans for strengthening its Chicago line-up and extending membership to such Mid-west centers as Des Moines, Mil-waukee, Indianapolis, Minneapolis and St. Louis.

are much fewer than in America. You don't get any allowance for money spent on food while traveling or on hotel bills, or on dependents who are not with you. You are allowed exemptions for money spent on wardrobe "while you are working." Also, the ceiling for money you can take out is 1,000 pounds sterling (about \$4,500) and it's a headache to try getting out anything over that.

P. S.: You can't take a thin dime out of New Zealand.

Miss Bowman reported that Aus-Miss Bowman reported that Aus-tralian audiences are "the greatest in the world." Comedy, "as broad as you can make it," goes over big. All in all, she said, Australia is a great country to play, "provided you know what you're getting before you start out."

#### **10G Talent Nut** Set at Slapsy's

HOLLYWOOD, April 10 .- In an all-out drive to hypo biz, Hollywood's Slapsy Maxie's this week opened purse strings to the tune of \$10.000 weekly, buying its most expensive packaged show since spot changed hands last October.

Set to headline the new show be-ginning April 26 are Jackie Miles, Jack Cole, Helen Forrest and Desi Arnaz's ork. Show has been inked to four weeks with options.

"Bill marks Miles's first Coast trek and Cole's initial return since he first clicked locally last year in the same club. Arnaz's last local nitery stint was at Ciro's early in 1947.

#### **Davton Spots Boom**, 2 Book Some More Expensive Acts

DAYTON, April 10.—Night club business is flourishing here, with the leading spots bringing in more expensive acts.

The Kittie Hawk Room of the Biltmore Hotel, heretofore operating only with Michael Dunn's ork, will

only with Michael Dunn's ork, will add Consolo and Melba, dance team, starting next week. Clarence Kuhn's Idle Hour Supper Club announces "return of vaude-ville" for the inauguration of its new policy. It will start with Leon Man-drake, magician, who will stay in-definitely: Adrian, a marionette act: Billie Hayes, hoofer, and Harold Barry, emsee. Johnny Reger's band furnishes show and dance music. The soloist is Bobby Wetz.

#### Ft. Worth Room Bows Apr. 14

FORT WORTH, April 10.—Fort Worth's newest lavish dance-dine room will be the Keystone Room at the Hotel Texas. Henry Love, who managed the Den, which gave way to the Keystone Room, says the new spot will open April 14. Quarters have been renovated. Robert D. Her-rell, who designed Houston's \$35,000,-000 McCarthy Center, designed the new room. The opening attraction at \$6 per will be Don McGrane and ork.

## PHILLY BACK IN BIG TIME In **\$** Punches; AgentsSquirm

#### Flacks in All-Ont Effort

(Continued from page 3)

Celebrity Bar, switched from combos to names and came up with Jerry Lester, who opened Thursday (8). The Latin Casino countered with Belle Baker and Frank Libuse, but feeling that the show wasn't strong enough to buck Lester, also hired Milton Berle for the opening night. When Berle heard he was being used to buck Lester—and a one-nighter at that—he refused the date.

Underneath this competition between rival niteries is another battle, and this between rival offices. Wifliam and this between rival offices. William Morris books the Latin Casino, and Music Corporation of America (MCA) has long been trying to get something in this town to offset it. It made the deal at Casway's when it put in Les-ter. It is understood that it will make available its attraction to the spot deal at Casway's when it put in Les-ter. It is understood that it will make available its attraction to the spot to beat the Morris office's time. When Lester was set for Casway, the Morris office countered with Berle. The fact that he turned the deal down was something that wasn't figured on.

In the meantime Goldberg has been shopping around for something to compete with against the Latin Ca-sino and Casway's. With both spots doing business with the majors, he turned to indies. Last week he signed Kitty Kallen for \$1,000 after MCA, who handles her, tried to talk her out of the date. Deal was made by Sol Tepper who will get his cut despite MCA's rule of no splits.

Latin Casino, trying to keep its hold, has meanwhile gone in for gim-micks. Latest one is a Tuesday night celeb thing run by Lee Mortimer, New York Mirror columnist. Trade doesn't think much of it, claiming that acts won't travel to Philly for cuffo, Mortimer or no Mortimer.

#### War Trade Expectancy?

Some sources attribute the in-creased competition in Philly to the potential war trade expected. Town, like Pittsburgh, stands to benefit from war orders. In addition, Philly will have major political conventions and expects big business from them.

Goldberg, who is forced to deal with indies, has come up with one gimmick that the competition will have a hard time countering. When he bought Kitty Kallen he also ar-ranged for the services of her husband, Buddy Granoff, associated with George Evans, big time press agent. Result is that for Miss Kallen's opening, the mayor and a committee will meet the train, local disk jocks have meet the train, local disk jocks have been tied up and other stunts are being planned with ample press cov-erage. She opens April 26. Major Stem nitery reviewers and column-ists, who seldom leave New York, have been invited for the opening, with Coldbarg picking up call toba

have been invited for the opening, with Goldberg picking up all tabs. Trade doesn't expect the Latin Casino to take competition lying down, but whatever plans it has to counter with are still in the mulling stage. Meanwhile, acts with b.-o. ap-peal are being romanced by a town which was marked off last year as being strictly an also ran.

**NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE** 

#### Copacabana, New York (Thursday, April 8)

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Capacity, 610. Price policy, \$3-\$4 minimum. Shows at 8:30, 12:30 and 2:30. Operator, Monte Proser. Booking policy, non-exclusive. Publicity, George Evans. Estimated budget this show, \$6,400. Estimated budget last show, \$5,000.

If yocks upon yocks can bring business, Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis should be in by a mile. Getting their first big time Stem nitery date since they teamed up 22 months ago, the two guys just about frac-tured every laugh record here. Dean Martin, a fine singer in his own right with an easy Crosby-ish styl-ing, is rapidly becoming one of the best straight men in the biz. His complete ease, his personality and his mike-toying bits add up cellent job, skillfully sold. add up to an ex-

Jerry Lewis, as the poor goof, has gone a long way since his record panto days. He's a boff-comic equally at home underplaying or overplaying his lines. Together the make one of the best teams in boys make or the business.

The major portion of their routine, band leading, heckling and situ-ation stuff is a combo of their theater and cafe act. But in the third show the two lads did a couple of new things. Lewis did some hokey piano bits and sat in for the drummer while Martin warbled. In this they worked all kinds of bits, glee club stuff with the band, pratt falls and a lot of it seemed ad lib. In fact, it is this ad lib affact that at fimes is this ad lib effect that at times seemed responsible for their big returns. But whatever it was, Martin and Lewis killed them. It was im-probable that a typical Copa opening night audience would go for the kind of crazy things the lads do. After they got thru there was no doubt that it did. If the kids catch on here they'll be plenty hot.

#### **Production All Sight**

Much of the reason for the lads' success here is in the fact that noth-ing happens for the first 40 minutes. The productions are beautiful, the costumes are expensive and look it and the new line has probably the most gorgeous kids of any nitery in the city. But this is all sight and Copa trade is used to it so just looks on bored.

on, bored. Vivian Blaine, as the headliner, showed a streamlined chassis and a beautiful face. Back in the days when she warbled with a band she didn't look so good, but she could sing. Now she looks good but her singing is n. s. g. Her picture work has given her an expressive face rather than an expressive voice. So she phrases every song thru mugging rather than proper phrasing. A lot rather than proper phrasing. A lot of her numbers were rewritten with new material added, some of it cute, but each one was sung in the same groove. No excitement, no nothing, just singing. She had one thing with possibilities, a Dr. Kinsey song, but blew it when she forgot her lines. Being a headliner is fine, but Miss Blaine ought to be told that getting off when ahead means more than just words.

Ray Malone, short-boy hoofer, did a fine job. His mercurial stepping



#### NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

#### Cafe Lounge, New York (Tuesday, April 6)

Capacity, 150. Price policy, \$1.50-\$2 mini-mum; \$1-\$1.50 cover. Number of shows, three nightly, at 8:15, 10 and 12. Operators, The Savoy-Plaza. Exclusive booker, Jules Ziegler. Publicity, Newkirk Crockett. Estimated budget this show, \$700.

There's only one reason this chi-chi room put shows back after a fiveyear lay-off—lack of business. But going after the kind of trade to which going after the kind of trade to which this room used to be accustomed, and trying to get it with this show, is problematical. The mike and the problematical. The mike and the p.-a. system need more than just an overhauling. They need replacement. The lights are merely adequate and do nothing for the acts.

do nothing for the acts. Strongest act on the bill was Johnny Thompson. The good-looking bary has a strong pair of pipes and a personable appearance. The routine, consisting mostly of standards, was well done, but the lad needs some pops to get attention. Incidentally. Thompson ought to know that getting off when ahead is a cardinal prin-ciple of showbiz.

Cedric Howard (ex-Don Tannen), previously caught only on club dates, did surprisingly well. Customers went for his corn and Howard sold it with more than average skill once he got the butterflies out of his belly. The comic began with giggles and wound up to yocks. With the exception of billing and more dough, what more can a comic want?

The show opened with Barbara Barrie, a pretty little brunet. The gal used to be a hoofer, now she's a gal used to be a hooler, how she's a singer. In the right room, Miss Bar-rie would be okay. Here she just didn't fit. Her wardrobe, a kind of Joseph's-coat color combo, was poorly chosen and badly designed. After doing two pops, the gal went into a tap routine, neither of which registered.

Irving Conn's band was in trouble cutting the show almost all the way. The boys need a lot more rehearsals.

Running shows so often (8:45, 10 and midnight) puts a heavy strain on actors and—what is more important -is bad for business. Service during shows either slows up or stops. If the room wants business it would be wiser to run two shows if for no other reason than to give customers a chance to spend. Also, the use of three singing acts on the same bill seems like poor booking. Bill Smith.

was admirable. But why the singing? There's enough singing on the bill.

#### Warde Donovan

Warde Donovan Warde Donovan, boy production chanter, a tall, handsome lad, showed a strong pair of pipes but no songs he could show them off with. In a better spot he ought to do better. Betty Bonney, pert brunet singer, made up in eye appeal what she lacked in ear appeal. A love scene between Donovan and Miss Bonney produced a la musical comedy, seemed lost. Both singers seemed to be fighting each other. Michael Durso's band cut the show with unusual skill. And considering all the singing there is he had his

all the singing there is, he had his job cut out for him. Fernando Al-vares's rumba rhythms jammed the floor. Bill Smith. floor.



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#### Penthouse Club, New York (Wednesday, April 7)

Capacity, 100. Price policy, \$3-\$3.50 mini-mum. Number of shows, three nightly, at 10:30, 12 and 1:30. Operator, Philip Rosen. Booking policy, non-exclusive. Fubicity, Jay Russell. Estimated budget this show, \$500.

This tiny room on top of a building overlooking Central Park has long been a hideaway with a rep for good food and plenty of atmosphere. Last time the spot had a show was about 1941. Since then it has gone along

1941. Since then it has gone along as just a class eatery. When the new op took over he made a couple of minor changes and brought in Maxine Sullivan for the late biz. Whether she'll do the trick remains to be seen. But as a per-former she never did so well as she did here opening wight

did here opening night. For one thing, the ounce-sized room is almost made to order for her. For another, the audience sat transfixed and finally the gal came in with tunes that haven't been kicked around. Altogether it made for a top job by a top singer.

Miss Sullivan's phrasing was flawless. Her slow, soft, easy delivery was beautiful. In fact it was so good that when the mike went bad and she worked without it, the audience gave her every attention. For Miss Sullivan to work without a mike-her voice is tiny-is something.

voice is tiny—is something. Oscar Walzer on the piano, supply-ing the only instrumental music, played for the singer with deftness and skill. Over-all effect, small voice, delicate phrasings, with soft piano backing it up, is like an inti-mate living room. Bill Smith.

#### **Club** Charles, Baltimore (Tuesday, April 6)

CaPacity, 325. Price policy, no cover or minimum. Number of shows, two nightly, at 9:15 and 12:15. Operators, Tom Shaw, Lou Shaw, Moe Levy. Booker, Sol Tepper, ex-clusive. Publicity, Irv Klein. Estimated budget this show, \$2,500. Estimated budget last show \$3,000.

Jackie Winston tops the new show, with Joan Adair and Rosanne in the running to set up a smart package of club fare.

Rosanne breaks the ice with several smooth numbers involving good acro and control work. The slim, exotic looking gal shows a beautiful chassis to good advantage in the numerous butterflys and fast spins, but at times assumed a rather dead pan expression which, coupled with a dark green wardrobe and a dull light, didn't make for a vivacious impression. Over-all it's a pleasing set of routines.

Joan Adair, looking like something out of Saks' window, can sell a song with the best of them. The attractive with the pest of them. The attractive song stylist, who hits the high register with clear brilliance, scored well on a Showboat medley and a dreamy But Beautiful.

#### Winston Turns on Heat

But if the show up to this point was comparatively quiet, it ceased to be with Jackie Winston. For doing a For doing a audience, the warm-up job to a cool audience, the guy deserved the hands he got. Tak-ing them by surprise, Winston worked not only from the floor, but ringside. the back of the room and anywhere the back of the room and anywhere the desire struck him. The guy is funny and his material doesn't run the beaten track. It's up to date and different. While most Lorre bits are pretty hackneyed by now, Winston's brought laughs which built up con-tinually as he threw in the tag line in spots all they the rest of the stuff in spots all thru the rest of the stuff. Outstanding was a series of "one-act plays" with Winston and hat to match taking all parts, as were his Scotch

taking all parts, as were his Scotch bit and a Ted Lewis a la Durante. The room, lavishly decorated with mirrors, gave Winston the perfect op-portunity to discuss with himself how business was doing, and his own troubles. But what made it unusual was the fact that the lad worked like

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(Thursday, April 8) Capacity, 350. Price policy, \$3.50 minimum. Shows at 8:30, 12:30, 2:30. Operator, Eddie Davis. Booking, non-exclusive. Publicity, Jeanne Sager. Estimated budget this show, \$1,300. Estimated budget last show, \$1,200.

Leon and Eddie's

The anticipation of the possibility that a guy might run across a fine and relatively undiscovered hunk of talent is always present when set-ting out to catch a new show at Ed-die Davis's bistro. But if there is any such in the current ensemble, it is not discernible to this naked eye. Even making allowances for occa-sional lapses in staging and the ob-vious lack of adequate rehearsal the new acts had with the band, not one of the five turns impressed as holding exceptional promise. All showed the need of considerably more work and polish. Following the Frank Shep-herd line's (five this show, usually six) Bowery - type, bump - loaded opener, acro-dancer Ruth Kelly evidenced good control and mastery of acro-contortion aspects of her job, but little native grace or stage pres-ence. And she wasn't helped at all by working to a lights-up house, giv-ing her virtually no production support.

Diane Madison, in the deuce spot, sang You Don't Have To Know the Language and Manana with unbridled vocal and bodily energy. Too unbridled. Less glaring, punching and mugging would help this kid. In Miss Madison's case, as in others, somebody stamping out the beat by foot would have been of more as-sistance than the Art Waner band (Waner is on a six-week vacation, which may be part of the answer).

#### Tannos Tap Terp

The Tannos (Guy and Rita) did a routine tap terp number, hurt no lit-tle by sad 802 support, but even more by trying to give too much. The act strengthened considerably could be by eliminating one or two numbers (preferably the j-bug closer and the girl's pseudo hula bit) and sharpen-ing up the rest.

Emsee Boyd Heath, who introed the acts with nice unobtrusiveness, took over for a vocal session here, and the over for a vocal session here, and the payers began to act like life was worthwhile. Heath's strong suit is cowboy stuff (which he platters for RCA Victor), but he also turned in creditable efforts on *Brass Band* and *Whiffenpoof*, and got real audience enthusiasm out of *Casey Jones*. Ar-lene and Dowling, novelty turn, dis-played a knack for making strictly orthodox lifts, hand-balances, etc., look extremely difficult. The ill wind moral of this type of

The ill wind moral of this type of show, however, is that it makes good performers, like Sherry Britton and Eddie Davis, who follow aforemen-tioned five respectively, look great. Miss Britton is smart enough not to try to sell anything she hasn't got, inasmuch as she has plenty of what cafe habitues want. Her sexy sing-talk material and dance are delivered with appropriately come - hither voice and mannerisms, and, as is well known, she has the physical appear-ance to match. Davis continues to work harder and more successfully to make the customers happy than any boite boss in town, and tho he seems to get a little rough at times, the check-lifters seem to love it.

Joe Csida.

a demon and he wasn't kidding. That won them and he was in from there on out.

The Wally Wanger line (6) provided a couple of sparkling numbers, an Oriental and a classy jive number which set off some colorful ward-robe and good footwork.

Norman Brooks and his orchestra did excellent backing for the show. Herbert Curbelo and his rumba group alternated for dancing.

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#### Slapsy Maxie's, Hollywood (Monday. April 5)

Capacity 550. Price policy, \$3-\$4 minimum. ows at 9 and 12. Owners, Sy and Charles 'vore. Manager, Jerry Brooks, Booking licy, non-exclusive. Estimated budget this ow, \$4.500. Estimated budget last show, 000.

Comic Billy Vine registered with ch impact opening night that he id to beg off after an hour on the bor. No performer since Danny nomas has been able to hold ringders so completely here.

Vine in his first visit here, featured w and original material made to easure to his talents. He is not the st-patter type of gagster, relying stead on elaborately contrived rounes and sketches. Opening with a unk routine and satire on fems, he ilds to a keen bit of mimicry in ricaturing Jackie Miles, Danny nomas, Jerry Lester, Zero Mostel id Joe E. Lewis. In callback, Vine ings Slapsy's regular waiters to the bor for a session of horseplay, neatly eaving in bits by three plants. Topr is routine done with deadpan poge. Mack Pearson, in a genuinely nny sketch.

In her first nitery stint, thrush arion Hutton showed plenty of flare r the work. Easy on the eyes and nartly gowned, Miss Hutton puts r lusty pipes to solid use in a series specially written tunes, best of nich was *Brooklyn Love Song*. arion has a tendency to use same annerisms, gestures and stylings ade famous by sister Betty, a fault nich should be promptly corrected.

All has enough talent to score witht resorting to Betty's trade-marked vices. Opening slot went to Mary Raye d Naldi, the top ballroom duo to ay Slapsy's this past year. Worked

ay Slapsy's this past year. Worked th grace and smoothness, doing six fferent numbers, and begging off ly after the 18-minute turn left em breathless.

Dick Stabile's ork cut a good show d played well for dancing. Mike tiz's Latin combo held intermission ot. Alan Fischler.

#### Ciro's, Hollywood (Tuesday, April 6)

2apacity, 450. Price policy, \$3 cover. Shows 9:30 and midnight. Booking policy, nonlusive. Owner-operator, H. D. Hover. Pubty. Charlotte Rogers. Estimated budget this )w, 36.500. Estimated budget last show, 500.

Gracie Fields took her initial Hollyood nitery appearance in stride, capring the pic celeb audience from the art. Across-the-pond chantooseymedienne had no difficulty breakg the ice. Walking on with rapide gags, she had ringsiders in the lm of her hand.

Gestures and facial expressions, ded to her typical vocal stylings, ought yocks a plenty with voicings novelty selections. Palm-winners ere such rib ticklers as The Awfulss, the Simpleness, the Wickedness Men; Pedro, the Fisherman; the rp ballad Wind 'Round My Heart,

rp ballad Wind 'Round My Heart, d a ditty concerning England's food tioning problems, Codfish. Following the comedy start. mood

Following problems, Coansn. Following the comedy start, mood rned to the straight and serious, th Miss Fields focusing her balladg talents on A Fellow Needs a Girl, we Is Funny, How Are Things In occa Mora?, rounded out with a minunity sing session on The Best tings in Life Are Free, She's Too t For Me, and Bongo, Bongo, Bongo. igs were sandwiched in between cal offerings, bridging the tunes ruout.

Miss Fields was accompanied by r pianist, Ingolf Dahl, with rhythm pport coming from the Barclay Aln ork. Allen group and the Rene uzet Rhumba band provided beats r terp-minded customers.

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LATIN QUARTER, NEW YORK: The addition of Buddy Lester. Steve Condos. the Hermanos Williams Trio and Jane Dulo has taken the staleness off a show which is still one of the best on the Stem despite its longevity.

Buddy Lester is probably one of the best tumult comics around. His terrific change of pace and general impression of ad libbing his set routine make for yock payolas practically all the way. While most of his act has been caught frequently, he showed a couple of newies that should get equally good results with a little more use. His cockney Oh, How I Miss You Tonight, delivered dead pan a la English Music Hall, can fracture an audience familiar with British vaude. His Nelson Eddy-Jeanette MacDonald thing, however, has a universal appeal. For the latter he uses a two-way wig on a pivot. When he does MacDonald he twirls wig to show blond hair and a flower. For the male he spins it back to show Eddy. Laughs come from the mixing of falsetto and baritone. Bits of business are hilarious.

Lester's act with Steve Condos, who incidentally has become quite a straight man, was another sock laugh builder. The two lads have worked frequently together in the past year or so, but are not together as an act. They are booked as singles.

Steve Condos (ex-Condos Brothers), besides working with Lester, does a fine hoofing job in his own spot. His combo of sand steps and straight terping is reminiscent of drum work with brushes and rim shots. With his dancing, Condos projects a pleasing personality and an almost shy-like appearance that makes him a top seller. The Hermanos Williams Trie for

The Hermanos Williams Trio (two boys; one girl) are rigged out as smartly as they were before the act broke into three different packages. The gal's Argentine tango vocals make a pleasant background for the two lads to go into what looks like casual acro stuff.

Jane Dulo has some of the funniest material around. A lot of it, however, doesn't project in this big room. She needs an attentive audience to get results. The gal started badly, overcoming the noisy crowd by sheer punching. Her walk-off was good, but the over-all result was tepid. Bill Smith.

#### Tyros Vie at Club Charles

BALTIMORE, April 10.—The Club Charles is the latest to come up with a talent gimmick. The brainchild of Irv Klein, club flack, the idea calls for a six-week amateur contest. Each Friday night six contestants will be chosen and appear in conjunction with the regular floor show, and the winner will be chosen by audience applause. The contest will begin April 10 and finals will be May 21. Winner of the final will get a week's work at the Club Charles.

#### Yocum Plots Paris Ice Show

PHILADELPHIA, April 10.—Rube Yocum, co-producer with Gladys Lamb of the ice shows at the Garden Terrace of the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, flew to Europe recently to give Paris its first ice show. He left with Jack Hylton for London, with plans calling for an ice show to open in the spring at the Etoile Theater in Paris. Before leaving, Yocum launched a new *Ice Parade* revue here with Peggy Ann (Smith) and June Campbell in the leads.

# Juke Box Union Enters Detroit Night Club Fray

(Continued from page 3) men here is a branch of the Teamsters' Union, which had already supported AGVA in refusing to make deliveries to the Ship and earlier to the Stevadora until the line was withdrawn there last Saturday (3).

#### "Can't Buck Unions"

Tony DiLorenzo, proprietor of the Ship, said that Eugene C. James. president and business manager of the juke box local, advised that "you can't buck the unions" and offered to intervene. Two servicemen from the Meltone Music Company followed and wanted to shut the box off "so it wouldn't get damaged" during the difficulty—the box had been used between shows after the ork refused to cross the picket line. DiLorenzo said he offered to let them take the box right out of the place but they declined, and a phone call was received from Vincent Meli, partner in the Meltone Company—and, incidentally, in the Stork Club, another Detroit nitery—advising a settlement, but telling DiLorenzo the operating company would not force him to turn the box off. Then, said DiLorenzo, James returned and told the management to take the machine out of service, which was done

Service, which was done. The situation at the Stevadora was eased temporarily last Saturday when pickets withdrew following a signed agreement by Richard Golan, one of the partners, that the club would not play non-union acts. Golan's action. taken without the signatures of his two partners, and with Billy Grubbs, AGVA national representative, was motivated by his disgust at delay in his Circuit Court attempt that afternoon for an injunction. Golan dècided he couldn't afford to lose another week's business waiting for the court action this Friday (9) and gave in, but indicated his intention of still prosecuting the case for an injunction against picketing by AGVA and other craft unions despite the settlement.

#### Band's Time Reduced

Joe Banket's band went back into the Stevadora after the line was withdrawn, but only upon a threenights-a-week basis instead of the full-week policy and, according to Golan, is dissatisfied with the resultant reduction in weekly salary. Meanwhile, action flared late Sat-

Meanwhile, action flaved late Saturday night at the Ship, when Billy Grubbs and three organizers of the Waiters' and Waitresses' Union-Floyd Loew, Tony Nola and Hazel Kopacz—were taken in by police from the picket line as "picket captains." Grubbs and other union people had been picked up several times during the week at one or the other of the two spots—situated at opposite ends of the city—and released after, usually, a brief visit to the local station house and a "warning." On Saturday, however, warrants were sworn out by police for violation of the Bonnie-Tripp Law—a step sought the day before by Joe Kasoff, owner of the Artists Casting Bureau (ACB) which booked the two spots, and turned down by Prosecuting Attorney James N. McNally as reported last week. The original turndown had been attributed by spokesmen for ACB or ASAT, of which ACB is the commercial outlet, to "politics," with a local political campaign in the offing.

The Michigan Bonnie-Tripp Law is considered by local labor people to be a much stiffer and slightly elder version of the Taft-Hartley Law. The question largely centers on the generally agreed fact that there is no actual "strike" involved and hence no technical violation of laws affecting picketing in relation to a strike. Various ASAT people say" it is morally, if not legally, a

strike, and that the musicians refusing to cross the picket line constituted either a strike or a secondary boycott in violation of the law.

#### "Production Line" Service

An interesting sidelight as the defendants came up to the police desk Saturday night was that, some 15 minutes after their arrest, the deputy sheriff who had been looking for them all day to serve papers in connection with the Stevadora injunction case arrived—with DiLorenzo, according to Grubbs—and handed each one his summons in the first case as he was docked in the other, in production-line fashion.

Grubbs and the others were released without bond on the personal action of Detroit Police Commissioner Harry S. Toy. They appeared in Recorders Court Tuesday morning and were released on personal bond for examination April 13 after pleading innocent. The offense charged is a misdemeanor.

#### Acts' Status Examined

Professional status of the acts involved was examined by *The Bill*board this week because of their key significance in the dispute. James R. Biggs, of ASAT, said that half the acts booked were former AGVA members, and not amateurs as charged.

Seven acts were on the Stevadora bill originally, including Les Golden, former business agent for AGVA here and now president of ASAT, as emsee; three acts—singer Dean Hoffman, Leo Contreau, accordionist, and Ray Romero, whipcracker, who moved over to the Ship after the Stevadora dropped shows: as well as three other acts not checked—Dave Clay, comedian; The Jitters, dance team, and Arlina, dancer.

Golden. of course, has long been on the AGVA unfair list; according to Grubbs, Romero was suspended for non-payment of dues. Of the other acts on the Ship's present eight-act bill, Jack Durant and Smiling Jack Burke carry AGVA cardsbut are now on the unfair list for going thru a picket line, according to Grubbs.

#### **Others Undetermined**

Professional status of the others at the Ship was undetermined. Singer Dean Hoffman, who was filling in as waitress following withdrawal of all service and craft unions from the spot—but was understood to be doing this only temporarily—and Lee Bergell, impressionist, admitted never having an AGVA card. Miss Hoffman, however, told The Billboard that she had been working professionally in the Detroit and surrounding area for the past two years, chiefly or solely thru Artists Casting Bureau. Contrera—also billed as Contera—declined information as to his union status, Sue Rawlerson, guitar player; the Werners, dance who completed the bill, were not contacted; their names were unfamil-(See Juke Union Joins on page 39)



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**NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE** 

#### April 17, 1948



WASHINGTON, April 10.-Februbusiness of eatery - niteries ary dropped about 7 per cent from January figures, Commerce Department estimated last week. The total February take was figured at \$935,000,-000, compared with the estimated January receipts of \$1,008,000,000.

Commerce surveys in selected large cities showed them registering about the same declines. New York restau-rant and night club receipts were off 8 per cent. Dallas and Houston were even worse off with decreases of 11 per cent.

In Pittsburgh, the decline was 9 per cent, while Philadelphia dropped off 8 per cent. The North Central cities of St. Louis, Kansas City and Minne-apolis also registered declines of 8 per cent, while Boston escaped lightly with only a 2 per cent decline.





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#### VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

#### Hippodrome, Baltimore (Thursday, April 8)

Capacity, 2,200. Price policy, 40-70 cents. Number of shows, four daily. House booker, Mickey Aldrich. Show played by Jo Lombardi and house band (12).

This time around it's a Ben Yost unit tagged Girls on Parade, and altho a little heavy with vocal acts (two), it comes out okay. The Woodson Sisters hoof with pleasing tap routines, spotting it gen-prougly with buttorfue and wolks.

erously with butterflys and walk-overs. An outstanding contortion bit by one of the gals, working as tho made of rubber, took them off to a nice hand.

Ann Russell got 'em quick with a set of well done impersonations, set to music. The gal, a tall, sexy looker, has some smart arrangements and knows how to sell. Impressions of various band chirps' styles made a hit, but her best was a closer of Hildegarde. It fell flat with the theater audience, as usual with those who have never seen her work, but it was good and rated a nice bow-off. Veteran Maude Hilton dispenses the same old corn in her emsee chores and in her our spat but laughs were

the same old corn in her emsee chores and in her own spot, but laughs were constant. Numerous wardrobe changes, some wierd looking creations at that, brought yocks, but when she got to slapstick and the dumb double-takes, she killed them. Her stuff bordered on the blue at times, but her delivery averted any offensiveness. They were still chuckling when she closed the show. The high spot were the Ben Yost

The high spot were the Ben Yost Colleens. The five girls, beauties, and gowned like Parisian models, work with plenty of charm and solid voice. The group jumped off with a medley, putting a neat low-down treatment on *Basin Street*, and from then on went thru the book from Latin to opera. Each gal had a spot and it all added up to a terrific re-

ception. Pic, Sign of the Ram. James A. Carter. Oriental, Chicago (Thursday, April 8)

Capacity: 3,200. Price, 95 cents straight. Five shows week-days; six on week-ends. Ex-clusive booker, Charley Hogan. Shows played by Carl Sands's house band.

Frank Marlowe, new to these parts, is the surprise hit in this talent-packed revue. The tall comic, work-ing situation comedy that has band fronter Sands, electricians and stage-hands hamming up his turn, got top response all the way. He comes on, talking to Sands, only to fall in the pit. In addition to frequent falls, he spices his act with some straight acro work.

Acro work. Andre Dancers, Parisian trio, teed the show off with their well executed adagio turn. The dark-haired gal is outstanding, being capable at acro and contortion work, which makes the work of her two male handlers easier and the over-all presentation topnotch. Besides the fluid adagio work the gal intersperses some re-laxed flips, both one hand and aerial, to get a hearty send-off.

Co-headliners Bonnie Baker and the Milt Herth Trio stick to their standard material pretty much and garner hefty returns. The diminu-tive Johnny chirp uses special ma-terial, save for a medley of hits she made famous. Her I Want To Be a

Bad Girl pulled plenty of chuckles. The Herth Trio has a new 88-er in Ralph Sutton, who works well with the Hammond and drums with the Hammond and drums combo. Herth opened with his cur-rent Decca topper, *Bye*, *Bye Black-bird*, as a scrim behind the trio flashed the lyrics for payees. Herth's boogie closer, in which stage spots are dimmed while organ spots center on his pedal work, sent the three-some off to a sound hand.

Carl Sands's ork provided a catchy Western medley, spotting Smith Howard's warbling and the handsome batoneer's banjo strumming.

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NEW YORK, April 10. preeming of a new show at the, Para-mount, plus an increase at the Roxy box office, lifted total grosses for the five vaude-pic houses to a fine \$502,000 as against last week's over-all take of \$496,000.

all take of \$490,000. Paramount (3,654 seats; average \$76,000 wound up its first week of Buddy Rich, Dean Murphy, Mills Brothers and Saigon with a juicy \$95,000 despite the lukewarm flicker. Bedia Citr Music Hell (6 200 seats) Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average \$115,000) continued to rack up good figures, getting \$147,000 for

The its fourth week with I Remember Mama; Andre, Andree and Bonnie, and Paul Haakon. The show started with \$142,000, followed by \$143,000 and \$157.000.

> Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$89,000) finished its fourth frame with \$115,-000, a jump of \$6,000 over the previous stanza of \$109,000. The bill with Art Mooney's band, Al Bernie and Sitting Pretty, opened to \$107,-000, followed by \$99,000.

> Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$66,-000) is still rolling in high. Its fifth-week show took in \$101,000 for Tex Beneke's band, Martin and Lewis and *Naked City*. The package teed off with \$147,000, followed by \$121,000, 102,000 and \$117,000.

Strand (2,700 seats; average \$40,-000) dropped to \$44,000 for its second week, as against the opener and previous week of \$57,000. The show has Claude Thornhill ork, Morey Amsterdam and April Showers.



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# Magic By Bill Sachs-

DEL BREECE, after a run in the Walnut Room of the Bismarck Hotel, Chicago, has taken his bag of nifties into the South Side Casino in the Windy City for an indefinite stand. "Didn't go to Florida this season," typewrites Del, "and I'm glad I didn't, as it was a great fiasco, as Okito would put it. They pay off in sunshine down there, which isn't bad if you can afford it." Jack Gwynne, after a successful season with a Harvester show, in which he was practically the whole works, is keeping busy on club dates in and around Chicago... The Great Mich-ael, last season with Endy Bros.' Shows, has signed with the Imperial Exposition Shows for the 1948 trek. Exposition Shows for the 1948 trek. Michael has been playing niteries and hotels in Florida all winter. . . Earl Morgan has just concluded four months of club dates in Minneapolis. . . . Magic has slowed down to a walk in the Cleveland area, writes J. Jefferson Palmer from the Ohio me-tropolic but he compared that acted tropolis, but he tempers that state-ment with the news that the Blackstone Ring, International Brotherhood stone Ring, International Brotherhood of Magicians, is putting on a mam-moth magic festival at downtown Cleveland hall April 23. The Cleve-land assembly of the Society of American Magicians also is putting on a show in one of the suburbs late in April, Palmer says. "Swann and Randolph were the last two traveling magi to hit town," typewrites Pal-mer. "One followed the other into the Statler Hotel nearly a month ago. mer. "One followed the other into the Statler Hotel nearly a month ago. One local magus seems to keep busy all the time. He is Stu Cramer, who does a mental turn and a Chinese act under the name of Chan Wing. Caught both his acts at the Masonic Temple in Cleveland recently, where they clicked well with the audience who didn't know it was the same person. And they tell me he gets paid for two acts!" . . . Paul Rosini is working club dates in the Windy City area. . . . Tung Pin Soo (Al Wheatley) is slated to open this week at Vine Gardens, Chicago. . . Myrus is pre-senting his single mental routine in the swanky Crystal Terrace of the Park Plaza Hotel, St. Louis, and is reportedly knocking 'em for a looper.

HARRY BLACKSTONE, who is steadily regaining his health by sopping up the sunshine near Phoe-nix, Ariz., was pictured in a recent issue of *The Sunday Arizona Republic* between two University of Arizona beauty queens prominent in the Rawbeauty queens prominent in the Raw-hide Round-Up held in Mesa, Ariz., April 1-3, sponsored by the Mesa Junior Chamber of Commerce. . . . The round-table idea, which sprang up among St. Louis magi a few months ago, has petered out and is no longer in existence. . . . Sir Ed-wards, who closed for International



# It's Boom or Bust for Coast Niteries in Next Five Months JESSICA ROGERS is heading a new Midwest circuit unit along with

April Coast nitery biz from Mexico to Canada, is oiling gears in anticipation of a bonanza or bust within the next five months, a survey of top bookers, talent agencies and talent buyers discloses.

Factors in the anticipated better ractors in the anticipated better situation are: (1) Tourist season which begins in May; (2) promised upsurge in industrial production based on the current international political situation, and (3) hints of reactivation of many military and naval installations currently shut-tered. Several smaller military in tered. Several smaller military in-stallations already have been reactivated in California, bringing an influx of soldier trade.

Coast industry is expected to boom with appropriation of funds for airwith appropriation of funds for air-craft and ship building production. Industrial centers such as Los An-geles, Seattle, Spokane and San Di-ego would immediately benefit from these moves. To a lesser extent, neighboring areas would also share in the biz boom.

#### Talent Pic Bad

The talent picture at present is bad, with major percentage houses, indie bookers and performers all crying. A check at American Guild of Variety bookers and performers all crying. A check at American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) disclosed that re-quests for relief funds have jumped 50 per cent in the past 90 days. Large talent houses have dropped many low and medium-priced acts because of little profit involved in such bookings. As the result, talent has either gone to smaller indie bookers or attempted to book dates direct. Latter practice has resulted in wholesale chiseling, with per-formers getting the short end of the deal. deal.

Many clubs in the Western area have dropped talent in economy moves. In Los Angeles at least 20 smaller spots which formerly bought some talent have dropped acts during the past year. Las Vegas, Nev., top act paradise of the West, has dropped from 15 regular talent users to three prots and doubt affected to three spots, and dough offered performers spots, and dougn onered performers is still falling. Seattle has one club operating now which uses talent. Salt Lake City, which formerly boasted five clubs, is completely dead.

Harvester at Wakefield, Neb., March 5, is back at his Indianapolis head-quarters, splitting his time between his used magic magazine business and his used magic magazine business and club dates in the area. His closing show at Wakefield was his 75th for the Harvester firm. Edwards is set to repeat for the International Harto repeat for the International Har-vester branches in Sioux City, Ia., and Fort Wayne, Ind., a total of 90 show days, beginning in October.... G. Ray Terrell, of Rockville Center, N. Y., who at the age of 52 embarked on his third career, that of magician, is included in the "Interesting Peo-ple" section of the April issue of The American Magazine, now on the newsstands... Ray and Norvell, mentalists, are set for a convention date at the Henry Grady Hotel, At-lanta, the first week in May. Eddie and Lucille Roberts open at the same and Lucille Roberts open at the same hotel for a two weeker April 29.... Ben R. Badley, veteran St. Louis magician and hypnotist, who suffered a serious heart attack several months a serious heart attack several months ago, is still under the care of a physician and would appreciate hear-ing from old magic friends. His address is 4319-A, Shreve Avenue, St. Louis. . . W. L. (Scrubboard) Wallace, magician, mentalist and es-cape artist, scribbles from Gary, Ind., under date of April 6: "Have teamed up with Cleo and wo are uppring a up with Cleo and we are running a mitt joint here, while doing a few club spots for the Hainback Agency of Calumet City, Ill. Marking time to try a go for a television station in Chicago. Business only fair; too many mitt joints here."

Houston dropped from eight spots to to two smaller clubs. Dallas, Denver and Spokane are merely holding their own.

The fact that large talent houses The fact that large talent nouses have dropped their stable of smaller acts is a major headache to per-formers. During the war an average supporting act earned at least \$300 a week in the Western area. Today, however, the same act will settle for \$150. When booking costs and in-cidentals are deducted, agent finds he's lost money on the deal. Hence, talent peddlers are concentrating full force on top attractions with name value for greater returns. Talent value for greater returns. Talent new to Coast territory is particularly hit, finding it almost impossible to hook up with a top agency.

hook up with a top agency. From ops' standpoint, biggest beef seems to be the lack of talent with box-office value, especially in the Hollywood area. Bigger bistro bosses, willing to "spend a buck to make a buck" find talent market slim picka buck" find talent market slim pick-ings. Available talent is often too lightweight to draw, while headliners refuse to work locally. In the past few months, offers have been dangled before such toppers as Jimmy Du-rante, Tony Martin, Danny Kaye, Ritz Brothers and Rudy Vallee. Acts have nixed bids either because acts are in high income tay brockets on are in high income tax brackets or because talent refuses to work in Hollywood before critical showbiz audiences. Same acts will, however, take out-of-town dates. take out-of-town dates. Ritz Brothers' recent Florida stint earned them \$15,000 a week. Danny Kaye broke records in England. Eddie Cantor recently did a nitery stint at Las Vegas' Flamingo Hotel, marking Cantor's closest date to the film cap-Ritz ital in years.

# Juke Union **Joins Detroit Nitery Fight**

(Continued from page 37) iar to a large booking office and to AGVA when questioned here. Question of salaries paid or col-lected has become highly critical in the whole matter, with bookers here resenting the charges of "kickbacks" aired by ASAT last week. The charges, which have not been checked by definite naming of names to date, are of the "open drawer" to date, are of the "open drawer" tradition which has long persisted in theatrical booking gossip. Suspicion and feeling on both sides are strong, and wild accusations without any visable foundation, have flown in both directions from acts and others. It was indicated midweek at the Ship that the battle will be fought thru to the end. The show was booked on a two-week contract with options, according to Durant, with a pay or play clause, and is expected to stay longer to stay longer.

Durant himself is a key labor figure, holding a position on the six-man city-wide Tool and Die Council of the United Automobile Workers (UAW-CIO), because of his daytime job as a toolmaker. In addition to the complications of the AGVA case in local politics at high levels, it has involved CIO-AFL rivalries, with Durant claiming support in his posi-Durant claiming support in his posi-tion from UAW Local 600—with close to 100,000 members, and head-quarters six blocks away. Durant said that the many union people in the neighborhood have not refused to cross the picket line, once they found there was no strike involved, and that business has held up accord-ingly. Saturday night was said to be practically the largest on record for the Ship.

Midwest circuit unit along with Charles (Red) Marshall, Dolores (Mrs. Marshall) Dawn, Frank Smith, June (Mrs. Smith) Carstairs and Jimmie Pinto. . . . Nat Ozman, vocalist, drives his own auto between the Hudson, Union City, N. J., and Manhattan. . . Valerie Parks, now Mrs. John McCallister, became a mother March 21 at her home in Philadelphia. Newcomer is Valerie Cyn-thia. . . Mickey Owens has booked adeiphia. Newcomer is valerie cyli-thia. . . Mickey Owens has booked Iona White, a recent arrival from Denmark, to open at the 18th Hole, Manhattan nitery, late this month. New principals are Sid Nadell and Debra Dante. Show at the midtown Samoa was augmented by Carol Lord and Olga Tarnova April 2. They re-inforced other principals including Jerri Green. Kirma Vokes and Janice Jerri Green, Kirma Vokes and Janice Walker. Ryan and Matthews held Walker. Hyan and Matthews held over four more weeks. Another Samoa newcomer will be Scarlett Kelly, set to open in a fortnight. . . Don Hart and Winsome (Mrs. Hart) Wynette returned to Milwau-kee after an Easter vacation in St. Louis with Winnie's family. Lorraine Gilbert has joined the Paul West-Meggs Lexing unit on the Midwest wheel. . . . Fox, Indianapolis, switched from Midwest Circuit shows to stock April 2, with Cliff Cochran in the comedy spot.

MARION (SMILES) LEE'S third M reappearance as a principal at the Hudson, Union City, N. J., whence she graduated after many seasons in the front line was attended, like the two preceding, with a truck-load of flowers and candy from many admirers. . . Rusty Marsh, making her first tour over a burly circuit after jumping from a week's Circuit atter jumping from a week's work as a chorine at the Empire, Newark, N. J., to branch out as a strip tease and talking principal, in a Hirst unit, is a daughter of comic Smoky Burns. . . June Effel, character dancer, new extra attraction act in Hirst houses, moved from the Smith-St. Claire unit to the from the Smith-St. Claire unit to the Gayety, Baltimore. Jack and Camille Holliday, jugglers, acro dancers and instrumentalists, another new extra-attraction, spot-booked act, left burly to return to niteries. They open at McVan's, Buffalo, next week. Camille replaced Jack's mother, Sally, nine months ago. Jack's dad is Joe Novelle of the Novelle brothers, now doing a vaude dog act with Sally under the name of from the Smith-St. Claire unit to the dog act with Sally under the name of the Plutocrats.





## Haylofts Listed

(Continued from page 4) there is some writing on the wall, with voluntary gas rationing going into effect in a few weeks and prob-able cuts in train service due to lack of coal. Both of these factors are dis-astrous for the hayloft circuit, should the situation become progressively acute. However, such speculation is idle, and the barn ops are evidently going ahead in the face of it.

#### Scripts Available

There will be plenty of up-to-date Stem fare for them to draw on. John Loves Mary, I Remember Mama, Life With Father and Voice of the Turtle with Father and Voice of the Turtle have been released for hayloft cir-culation, altho the last may be re-leased only as a package show un-available for resident companies. For Love or Money is also certain to be on the stack list should the appedr Love or Money is also certain to be on the stock list, should the comedy soon terminate its Broadway run. There is much activity toward the whip-up of star-headed packages for barn consumption, but deals are meeting strong sales resistance from many hayloft ops who prefer resi-dent company productions dent company productions.

The Billboard herewith presents a listing by States of summer theater operations skedded for 1948. The listing will be continued in subse-quent issues:

#### CALIFORNIA

The Actors' Company, La Jolla. Melchior Ferrer, director. Company manager, Gerald O'Connor. Press agent, Howard Hutchinson. Theater is in high school auditorium. Resi-dont Equity, company. dent Equity company. Holiday Stage, Tustin.

Harold Turney, producer.

CANADA The Royal Alexandria, Toronto. Producer, Ernest Rawley. Casting thru Chamberlain Brown. Seats 1,525. Equity. Casting

#### **COLORADO**

Elitch Gardens, Denver. Producer-owner, Marie M. Gurtler, 4620 West 38th Avenue, Denver. Director, George M. Somnes. Seats 1,544; 10-week season. Casts thru MCA. Resi-dent Equity company.

#### CONNECTICUT

The Show Shop, Canton. Pro-ducer-owner, Stanley and Joan Cobleigh. Director not selected. Seats 245. Can do \$2,300 per week at ca-pacity. Opens June 15 for a 12-week season. Resident Equity company.

Clinton Theater, Clinton. Sam Wasserman, producer. Seats 550. Resident Equity company. Chapel Playhouse, Guilford. Pro-ducer, Lewis Harmon, 547 Riverside Drive. No director chosen yet; 10-week season. Resident Equity company.

Ivoryton Playhouse, Ivoryton. Milton Stiefel, care Henry Hudson Hotel, New York, owner-manager-producer. Seats 600. Opens July 1 for 10-week season. Resident Equity company. Litchfield Summer Theater, Litch-field Broducer Louropeo Sloke Di

field. Producer, Lawrence Slade. Di-rector Leonard Altobell, 1775 Broad-way, New York. Seats 325. Possible



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#### Dramas Opened

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A Streetcar Named Do- sire	149
SHTC	145
(Barrymore) Born Yesterday 2- 4, '46	920
(Lyceum)	0.00
Command Decision 10- 1, '47	221
(Fulton)	_
For Love or Money 11- 4, '47	183
(Henry Miller)	1,454
Harvey	4,407
Heiress, The 9-29, '47	225
(Biltmore)	
Joy to the World 3-18, '48	28
(Music Box) Macbeth 3-31, '48	13
(National)	10
Man and Superman 10- 8, '47	213
(Hudson)	
Me and Molly 2-26, '48 (Belasco)	52
	- 80
Medea 10-10, '47 (Royale)	179
Mister Roberts 2-18, '48	61
(Alvin)	
Respectful Prostitute, The; Happy Journey	
From Trenton to	
Camden, The 3-16, '48	01
(Cort) 3-16, 48	31
Strange Bedfellows 1-14, '48	101
(Morosco)	
Winslow Boy, The 10-29, '47 (Empire)	189
( Truch to )	

You Never Can Tell..... 3-16, '48 (Martin Beck)

#### Musicals

Allegro 10-10, '47
(Majestic)
Angel in the Wings 12-11, '47 (Coronet)
Annie, Get Your Gun 5-16, '46 (Imperial)
Brigadoon 3-13, '47 (Ziegfeld)
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D Cyly Carte Opera	
Company	120
(Century Theater)	
Finian's Rainbow 1-10, '47	541
(46th Street Theater)	
High Button Shoes 10- 9, '47	212
(Century)	
Look, Ma, I'm Dancing. 1-29, '48	84
(Broadhurst)	-010
Objet	0.000
Oklahoma 3-13, '43	2,268
(St. James)	

# COMING UP (Week of April 12, 1948) Rats of Norway, The.... 4-14, '48 (Booth)

weekly capacity gross, \$3,000. Sea son 12 to 16 weeks. Last season's biz was profitable. Opens second week in June. Will accept 12 apprentices at \$150 week tuition. Equity. Resident.

Theater-in-the-Dale, New Milford. Producer-owner, Louis Townsend. No director yet. Seats 250 with tix scaled from \$1.75 to \$2.50; 10-week season opening the last Wednesday in June. Equity resident company.

Southbury Playhouse, Southbury. roducer-owner, Jack Quinn, 23 hurch Street, New Haven. Seats Producer-owner, Jack Quin Church Street, New Haven. 550. Equity.

Norwich Summer Theater, Norwich. Herbert Kneeter, producer, 204 E. Central Park, S., New York. Seats 860. Opens June 28 for 10 weeks. Resident Equity company.

Westport County Playhouse, West-John C. Wilson. Owner Mr. Langner, 23 West 53d Street, New York. Sev-eral directors. Seats 500. Equity.

Ridgefield Playhouse, Ridgefield. Alexander Kirkland, director-pro-ducer. Resident Equity company.

#### DELAWARE

Reheboth Beach Theater, Reheboth Beach. Producer, Norma MacHardy, 21 Park Avenue, Reheboth Beach. Seats 455. Probably 10 weeks.

(See SLOW START on page 42)

# Scalpers Again **Busy in Philly** PHILADELPHIA, April 10 .--- With

three hit shows in town-Inside U. S. A., Harvey and Anthony and Cleopatra-legit ticket scalpers are cleopatra—legit ticket scalpers are again active, tax office agents dis-closed this week after a close check of all central ticket agencies. The new policing was ordered by the re-ceiver of taxes, W. Frank Marshall, when complaints of price gouging on tix reached his city hall office. Re-ports were that theatergoers were being forced to pay as high as \$4 a ducat above the legal rate.

An ordinance designed to curb speculators allows agencies a \$1-a-ticket mark-up, plus taxes. Violators are subject to a fine up to \$100 or 30 days in jail. Marshall says his agents will continue to police the agencies and theater areas as long as the current bits are here as the current hits are here.

"Give us good theater here in Phil-adelphia," one tax official commented, "and right away the scalpers go into action."

Marshall said he intended to "pros-ecute to the limit" anyone arrested under the anti-scalping law. He said the same vigorous action would be taken when the two major league baseball teams open for the season. Tax officials said the big offenders were independent operators who got tickets either at the theater box office or from established agencies and then resold them for as much as the traffic would bear.

Mpls. Civic Theater Folds; 3G in Red MINNEAPOLIS, April 10.—Min-neapolis Civic Theater, rated second in the nation's little theater groups by the American National Theater by the American National Theater Academy (ANTA), folded here this week after two years of trying to make ends meet. The group shuttered make ends meet. The group shuttered its North Star playhouse in the face of offers from New York and Holly-wood agents to send such names as Gregory Peck, Sylvia Sidney, Spencer Tracy, Gene Kelly and Ginger Rog-ers ers.

Bob Gaus, founder and managing bob Gaus, founder and managing director, said the ax fell because at no time did the unit have a working capital. Even the free use of a Loop department store's auditorium for re-hearsals wasn't enough to meet the nut

So fine a job did the Minneapolis group do artistically, that Sidney Blackmer, after one appearance, came back gladly to appear in other pro-ductions. He made an impassioned plea to help save "Minneapolis's young civic theater." Final offering of the unit was

Ladies in Retirement, which ran five performances before the enterprise folded with a \$2,900 deficit.

#### '49 Rep for Brattle Hall

BOSTON, April 10.—Brattle Hall will have a classical repertory com-pany in the fall of 1949. The theater has been purchased by Robert Fletcher, Jerry Kilty, Al Marre and David Hersey for approximately 70G from Franklin Trask, and the four purchasers will be the producers. There will also be a drama school connected with the company. Mean-while, Fletcher and Kilty will operate a summer stock company this season at Brattle Hall. Trask will return in the fall for winter stock, his last stand at the theater. BOSTON, April 10 .- Brattle Hall stand at the theater.

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# NY Theaters Hike Dues for Bally

NEW YORK, April 10 .- The membership dues at the League of New York Theaters has been doubled to pay for the cost of a newly organized bally bureau that is to beat the tom-tom for legit thrucut the country on an institutional basis beginning May 1. The dues are now \$20 a year. The hike will bring about 30G a year into the League treasury to pay for a year's operating expenses of the bureau.

Meanwhile the League is sifting Meanwhile the League is sifting applications to choose the head of the public relations set-up. No one has been chosen, but the League may pick either an individual without legit background to get a fresh approach to theatrical problems or an ATAM member. The org will also meet with Robert Breen, executive secre-tary of the American National Thea-ter and Academy (ANTA), to solicit what aid ANTA can offer. what aid ANTA can offer

# "Harvey" Saves **Okla. Bookers**

OKLAHOMA CITY, April 10.--Boyle and Cravens, local booking agency, is sending up a nightly prayer for more Joe E. Browns and more

for more Joe E. Browns and more fantastic rabbits. *Harvey*, winding up the March attractions at the Home Theater, helped the agency out of a deep hole with three near-capacity perform-ances. The house seats 2,000 and attendance for the three shows (two nights, one mat) ran over 5,000. Price scale was \$1.83-\$3.66. *Joan of Lorraine* did poorly in two performances earlier in the month. Scale was \$1.83-\$3.05. It played two nights here, but the agency had to take the now closed show for one-nighters at Norman, Okla., Wichita Falls, Shawnee and Amarillo, Tex. Small losses at each point added up to a financial headache. Alec Templeton, booked into the Municipal Auditonium, mode monor

Alec Templeton, booked into the Municipal Auditorium, made money, but not too much. There were 3,000 in the audience at a top of \$2.95, but more than half came in on student tickets.

## **Councilor Seeks New Title for "Prostitute"**

(Continued from page 3) ment by Fielding that he already had that power short-circuited the take-off of the proposed legislation. New Stages, Inc., the producers of Prostitute, point out that the title is one the author, Jean Paul Sartre, has chosen, and that their contract with the Dramatists' Guild specifically prohibits changing it without the consent of the scripter. The history of the script reveals that Sartre ran into the same kind of difficulties when the play was produced in Paris but even then he stoutly refused to rename the play, threatening to close the play rather than make a title change. (Continued from page 3) change.

Meanwhile legit orgs on the Stem are readying a battle to prevent cen-sorship increase. The old commit-tee which headed the fight when tee which headed the fight when Trio was closed at the Belasco Thea-ter several years ago is being re-formed. This committee includes practically every org that works in legit from the producers to the ushers and doormen. Preliminary contact has already been made between all these groups.

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April 17, 1948 Communications to 1564 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.

# Helen Hayes Skeds Washington Date

WASHINGTON, April 10.—The Olney Theater has scored a beat on other houses in the Washington area's summer legit circuit by signing up Helen Hayes to open its season May

Helen Hayes to open its season and 28. The star's vehicle will be Alice Sit-by-the-Fire, with 11 perform-ances. Heading the supporting cast will be her daughter, Mary Mac-Arthur. Others are Patricia Kirk-land and John Williams.

Indications are that this will be the year's only appearance of Miss Hayes before a Washington audience. She has announced that she has no inten-tions of playing the National Theater as long as the Jim Crow restrictions stand.

The Olney has increased its seating capacity to 576 and has rebuilt its stage to provide for greater depth. An air-conditioning unit has been installed.

# Dallas Operetta Staff Lined Up

DALLAS, April 10.-The produc-DALLAS, April 10.—The produc-tion staff for the coming season of starlight operetta, which begins June 14, has been completed. Roger Gerry returns for a second season as di-rector. Also repeating are set de-signer Peter Wolf and lighting and technical director Douglas Morris.

New on the starlight staff will be Arthur Lief, formerly associate mu-sical director for the St. Louis muni opera. Ralph L. Hunter will handle the choral direction and Vonn Ham-ilton the choregraphy. James C. Wicker is stage manager.

The Great Waltz has been picked for season's opener.

#### **Actors' Protests Nix Fehling** For Hebbel Theater, Berlin

BERLIN, April 10.—A new in-tendant or producer will have to be appointed shortly for the Hebbel Theater. Thirty-six actors and em-ployees of the house protested the appointment of Juergen Fehling to that post and begged for cancellation of their contracts rather than work under his supervision. To avoid fur-ther argument a Berlin magistrate granted Fehling a three-month vaca-tion in South Germany. At the same time the local American Theater Con-trol Officer vetoed the appointment. trol Officer vetoed the appointment.

While Fehling is recognized as a possible second to the late Max Reinhardt as a producer by Berlin audi-ences and his most recent presenta-tion, Sartre's *The Flies*, has come in for high praise, an ungovernable temper and a dictator complex have marked him down on the debit side of the ledger as far as subordinates are concerned. To date no one is definitely set for the Hebbel Theater post.

#### **Aussie Nat'l Theater Plans**

SYDNEY, April 10 .-- Plans for a national theater were further ad-vanced via a report of a government departmental committee to Prime Minister Ben Chiffley, recommending erection of a national theater at Civic Conter Conforment to cost \$160,000 erection of a national theater at Civic Center, Canberra, to cost \$160.000 and the appointment of a director at a salary of around \$10,000 per an-num. The committee recommends that the house should be the center of dramatic art in Australia and the training center for young Australian thesps. thesps.

The report stressed the advisability The report stressed the advisability of dramatic art being taken to the country centers by traveling troupes headed by prominent stars but the bulk of the cast drawn from the na-tional theater trainees.



THE CUP OF TREMBLING (Opened Monday, April 5, 1948) **COLONIAL THEATER, BOSTON** 

COLONIAL THEATER, BOSTON Play by Louis Paul derived from his own novel, "Breakdown." Staged by Paul Czinner. Settings by Charles Elson. Costumes by Natalle Barth Walker (for Elisabeth Berg-ner, by Hattle Carnegie). Business manager, Lester Al Smith. Press representatives, Williard Keefe, Dave Tebet. Stage manager, Edward McHugh. Presented by Paul Czinner and C. P. Jaeger.

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 Ellen Croy
 Elisabeth Bergner

 John Croy
 Millard Mitchell

 Chauffer
 Robert Bolger

 Ann
 Iris Mann

 Gracie
 Hope Emerson

 Miss. Armitage
 Margaret Wycherly

 Walter Fowler
 John Carradine

 Gabby
 Peggy French

 Elderly Woman
 Amelie Barleon

 Dr. Sorenson
 Donald Foster

 Nurse
 Joan Norlander

 Andher Nurse
 Gloria Whitney

 Miss Nichols
 Sylvia Manners

 Shelia Vane
 Arlene Francis

 A Deliveryman
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 Dr. Benning
 Martin Wolfson

 William Lundeman
 Anthony Ross

 Peewee
 Herman Kluse

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 A Woman
 Ruby Fabres

 Elisabeth Bergner's new vehicle,

Elisabeth Bergner's new vehicle, The Cup of Trembling, furnishes a moving evening in the theater. But in its present form it stands little chance of even making expenses in the commercial theater the commercial theater.

Cup is "a study of a woman," as the program describes it, with all the pedestrian qualities that the phrase suggests. It is the story of a woman columnist, her alcoholic disintegration and eventual recovery thru the aid of psychiatry and the therapy of Alco-holics Anonymous (AA). Louis Paul adapted the play from his own novel, *Breakdown*. His book may have been mightly effective but his play is dif mightily effective, but his play is dif-fuse, repetitious and wordy. Like many an author who feels deeply about his material, he has been softheaded in transferring it to the stage. He has not been able to leave out a lot of extraneous matter, and he drives home some of his points thru endless reiteration.

Yet the sensitive understanding of the vell-turned dialog and the inter-play of the rather shadowy support-ing characters with the alcoholic, shows that Mr. Paul knows what he is writing about and that he has compassion for his subject.

#### **Grueling Evening**

First Boston performance ran until 11:55, despite the fact that yeoman cutting had already been done. It made a long and grueling evening.

What Paul shows is a sensitive woman driven to alcohol by deepwoman driven to alcohol by deep-seated hatred of her late father, by the pressure of her work and her in-ability to confront life. He shows that, while her husband and friends do not know the reasons for her acute alcoholism, they instinctively understand her plight and put up with her lashing tongue, her drunk-enness and her demands upon them. She only begins to realize that she is a real, chronic drunk when she lands She only begins to realize that she is a real, chronic drunk when she lands in Bellevue. There, a representative of AA begins to show her the light. She finally goes to a psychiatrist and is finally brought to understand the reasons for her compulsive drinking. That's where the AA takes over and begins to effect the cure begins to effect the cure.

#### Fine Performances

Elisabeth Bergner is on stage thru-out most of the show. It is a demanding role and she achieves the charac-terization with infinite detail. Her Her heavily accented English. tho, is hard to understand. The supporting roles are uniformly well played. Millard The principal of the state of

Amherst To Try Out Melo by MacDonagh

AMHERST, Mass., April 10.—Cur-tis Canfield, director of the Amherst College Masquers, announced today that Donagh MacDonagh's comedy melo, Happy As Larry, will get an American premier at the college's Kirby Theater May 20.

Negotiation for the campus produc-Negotiation for the campus produc-tion of *Larry*, which has had a hefty London run, were completed this week by alumnus Burgess Meredith and producer Louis J. Singer, both of whom have an eye on a subsequent professional Stem unveiling. The MacDonagh melo is the first American present to springhoard from the Across the Board Tomorrow Morning got its start in the Kirby Theater in 1942. The college thesps will present Larry for six performances, repeating with two more during June com-mencement week.

# **DG** Revamps Stock **Royalty Percentages**

NEW YORK, April 10.—The Dra-matists' Guild at its monthly meeting Tuesday (6) reduced slightly its original demand for summer stock script-ers' royalties. The new royalty scale is 4 per cent under \$9,000, 5 per cent from \$9,000 to 16G and 6 per cent over 16G. The percentages start from the first dollar earned, not 4 per cent up to 9G then 5 per cent royalty all the way thru. In every case there is a minimum royalty fee for a show.

The original demand was for 5 per cent royalty. However, to encourage revivals if the gross is under \$9,000 and the script has had 20 stock per-formances in each of the two previous years, the playwright may cancel the royalty at his own discretion. The new royalty scale will not work too much of a hardship on smaller stock companies but will hit the larger houses.



NEW YORK, April 10.-There will NEW YORK, April 10.—There will be no award this year of the Shubert Memorial Trophy for the best comedy stage sketch by a non-professional. It was announced at the third an-nual dinner of the National Laugh Week Foundation Tuesday (6) that the judges, Charles Sherman, scripter of the forthcoming Ziegfeld Follies sketches; Joseph Csida, editor of The Billboard, and George Lewis, director of the foundation, had found none of the 87 entries of sufficient outstanding the 87 entries of sufficient outstanding merit for an accolade.

The three-year-old award is sponsored by the foundation and trade mag, *Humor Business*, and is usually presented during annual National Laugh Week beginning April 1.

#### **Injury Sidelines Wonder**

NEW YORK, April 10.—Dancer Tommy Wonder, juve lead of the Annie, Get Your Gun touring troupe. is hospitalized here with an injured leg. Wonder collapsed on stage dur-ing the stand at Hershey, Pa., last week. Understudy Meredith Thomp-son is pinch-hitting for Wonder, who hopes to reioin the show when it hopes to rejoin the show when it reaches Oklahoma City Monday (26).

Wolfson, Hope Emerson, John Carra-dine and Margaret Wycherly in

## **Broadway** Opening

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## OLD MAID AND THE THIEF AND AMELIA GOES TO THE BALL

AMELIA GOES TO THE BALL (Opened Thursday, April 8, 1948) CITY CENTER Operas by Gian-Carlo Menotti, Staged by the author. Sets by H. A. Condell. Lighting by Hans Sondheimer. Conductors: Thomay Martin and Laszo Halasz. Press representa-tive, Jean Dairymple. Presented by the New York City Opera Company.

OLD MAID AND THE THIEF 

AMELIA GOES TO THE BALL missioned Menotti to write the first opera specifically composed for radio. He obliged with Old Maid and the Thief. So now the New York City Opera Company combos the two of them as the latest addition to its spring season rep at the City Center, and Old Maid gets its first local stage production production.

production. Menotti's approach is hard to classify, you may call it lyric drama, opera bouffe or, at moments, some-thing close to grand opera. Old Maid and Amelia really come closest to operatic farce. Accepted as such, the sum-up packs wit, good humor, a tongue-in-cheek ribbing of longhair pretension plus a melodic content, which is amusing to musical in-telligentsia and crew-cuts alike. It could easily be that the combo

It could easily be that the combo of Old Maid and Amelia might be switched over to commercial Broad-way and come in for the same sort way and come in for the same sort of successful reception garnered by the author's *The Telephone* and *The Medium* of last season. A reviewer's reaction, Stem-wise, may be due to the fact that Marie Powers, who put so much backbone, both vocally and histrionically, into *The Medium*, is as potentially sock in a comic assign-ment in the title role of the old maid who loves unwisely. It may be also that the NYCOC's production plus the author's staging of both items signposts some influence also. signposts some influence also.

#### **First-Rate Production**

Be that as it may, the City Center productions are first-rate. Old Maid productions are first-rate. Old Maid comes to life as an hilarious operatic satire with excellent support from Virginia MacWatters (who well knows her way around a Stem oper-etta stage as well as possessing an on-the-bean coloratura larynx) as well as fine assists from Norman Young and Ellen Faull. Amelia, somewhat more grand operaish than its companion piece, is also exceed-ingly well done, with fine vocalizing from Frances Yeend, Walter Cassel, William Horne and Gean Greenwell. A great deal of credit also should go to H. A. Condell for a pair of im-aginative sets. aginative sets.

In sum, NYCOC is to be congratu-lated upon its foresight in including these older Menotti efforts in its rep, and it could be that their production might portend a Broadway revival buy. That is unless Menotti writes some new ones in the meantime, Bob Francis.

#### **Buchanan in "Harvey"**

NEW YORK, April 10.—Jack Bu-chanan starts rehearsals Monday (12) for the Elwood P. Dowd role in the Stem troupe of *Harvey*. Buchanan takes over the slot from James Stew-art Monday (26). Stewart has a Hollywood commitment on that date.

# **Slow Start for Strawhatters; Change of Rules Hypos Action**

(Continued from page 40) ILLINOIS

Shady Lane Playhouse, Marengo. Frank Bryan, owner-producer. KENTUCKY

Louisville Park Theatrical Association, Louisville. Producer, Dennis DuFor, Br-9-8020. Opens July 5. Seats 3,400. Casting thru Henry Wiese. First production opening July 5 Music in the Air. Equity.

#### MAINE

MAINE Bar Harbor Playhouse, Bar Harbor. Producer-owner, Theodore Leavitt, 16 Gramercy Park; phone Gr-5-6116. Director, Robert Downing. Seats 708, ducats ranging from \$1.20 to \$2.40. Resident company. Season of 10 weeks beginning July 5. Last year's biz 76 per cent of capacity. Possible weekly capacity gross \$7.240: ten apweekly capacity gross \$7,240; ten ap-

prentices. Equity. Boothby Theater, Boothby. Sher-wood Keith, producer-director. Write to theater. Seats 314. Equity.

Riverside Theater, Bridgton. Herbert Machiz, producer - director-owner, 37-20 74th Street, Queens, N. Y. Seats 400, with prices run-ning from 85 cents to \$2.40. Can do \$1,500 a week. Last season's biz was 16G. Opens July 1. Resident Equity company.

Deertrees Theater, Harrison. Rob-ert Fierman is interested in purchasing the house which is up for sale at 38G. Seats 400. If run will be Equity.

Kennebunkport Playhouse, Kenne-Robert C. Currier, Kennebunkport. Seats 342. Possible weekly top gross 3G. Last season's biz 14G. Ten-week season. Resident Equity company. Ogunguit Playbouse Ogunguit

Ogunquit Playhouse, Ogunquit. Maude Hartwig, 78 Dartmouth Street, Queens N. Y., producer-owner. Di-rector, John Kirkpatrick. Probable 10-week season starting about June 23. Equity resident company. Greenwood Garden Playhouse.

Greenwood Garden Playhouse, Peaks Island. Owner, Henry Hoar. Producer Robert Paine, 305 West 97th Street, New York. Director, Frank Davidson. Seats 350 with top weekly

Javidson. Seats 350 with top weekly gross about 3G. Twelve-week sea-son. Equity resident company. Lakewood Theater, Skowhegan. Grant Mills, producer-director, Mel-ville Burke, care Dauphin Hotel, New York-

York. Equity. Surry Playhouse, Surry. Producer-owner, Charles O'Carey. 64 West 56th Street, New York. Seats 265. Opens 10-week season June 22. Resident Equity company.

Equity company. Mountain Theater, Braddock Heights. James Decker, producer. Camden Hills Theater, Camden. Herschel L. Bricker, 4 Middle Street, Orono, producer. Seats 485. Can gross \$2,340 each week at capacity. Plays four performances. Opens July 11 for eight-week season. Theater gives college drama students addi-tional experience before entering pro tional experience before entering pro legit. Non-Equity.

MARYLAND Hilltop Theater, Baltimore. Don Swann Jr., 907 St. Paul Street, pro-ducer. Director not selected. Seats 250. Top potential weekly gross \$1,800. Did 22G biz last season. Eleven-week season beginning the last week in June. Resident Equity company

company. Olney Theater, Olney. Producer, Richard Skinner, 347 Bleecker Street, New York. Seats 450. Resident Equity company.

#### MASSACHUSETTS

Bass Rocks Theater, Bass Rocks. Leonard Sheldon, producer, 190-28 111th Avenue, Hollis, L. I. Seats 347. Resident Equity company.

Boston Summer Theater, New Eng-land Mutual Hall, Boston. Producer, John Huntington, 433 West 21st Street, New York. Seats 914. Resident Equity company.

Brattle Hall, Cambridge. Pro-ducer-Owners, Robert Fletcher-Jerry Kilty. Seats 500. Can gross \$3,000 in capacity week. Recently bought from Franklin Trask. Will open in late June. Resident Equity company.

Playhouse, Fitchburg. Guy Pal-merton, producer, Hotel Wellington, New York. Equity.

New York. Equity. South Shore Players, Cohasset. Owned by Mrs. Alexander Dean, Frederick Burleigh and Richard Hoover. Producer, Mrs. Alexander Dean, 236 Edgehill Road, New Haven, Conn. Director, Frederick Burleigh. Seats 420. Top weekly capacity Seats 420. Top weekly capacity gross \$4,500. Last season's biz 30G. Opens eight-week season July 1.

Resident Equity company. Cape Playhouse, Dennis, on Cape Cod. Producer, Richard Aldrich, West 44th Street, New York. Director, Ar-thur Sircom. Seats 500. Opens June 27 for 10-week season. Resident Equity company.

Equity company. Duxbury Players, Duxbury. Pro-ducer-owner, Al Moritz, 118 East 29th Street, New York. Director, Ken Rockefeller. Seats 300. Weekly capacity gross \$1,000. Last season's biz 8G. Eleven-week season begin-ning June 26. Will have 14 ap-prentices working in its children's theater. Resident Equity company. Fairhaven Summer Theater, Fair-haven. Anthony Farrar, producer. Seats 600. Resident Equity company. Tanglewood Summer Theater, Arthur

Tanglewood Summer Theater, Falmouth. Producer-director, Arthur Beckhard, Mansfield Hotel, New York. Seats 362. Resident Equity

company. Does originals. Lake Whalom Playhouse, Fitch-burg. Producer, Guy Palmerton, Ho-tel Wellington, New York. Seats 1,000. Resident Equity company.

Lowell State Theater, Lowell. Pro-ducer, Concord Theater Corporation. Director, Otto Simetti. Owned by Concord Theater Corporation. Seats 1,200. Opened February 10. Year-round stock. Resident Equity company.

North Shore Players, Marblehead. Blake Johnson II and John L. Wash-Blake Johnson 11 and John L. Wash-burn, producers-owners-directors, 63 West 44th Street, New York. Seats 974 and can gross 14G each week. Season will run eight weeks begin-ning June 28. Resident Equity company

pany. College Players Summer Theater, Brewster, on Cape Code. Lewis Mil-ler, producer, professor at Middle-bury College, Middlebury, Vt. Wil-liam Held, biz manager. Student co-op group. Non-Equity. Oak Bluffs, Martha's Vineyard. Producer, Arthur Beckhard, Mans-field Hotel, New York. Does many original scripts. Resident Equity company. University Theater, Lenox. Leigh-

company. University Theater, Lenox. Leigh-ton Rollins, director. Training ground for graduates of college drama schools. Non-Equity. Actors' Theater, Nantasket. Jeanne

Tufts, producer, Tufts College Summer Theater, Medford. Marston Balch and John

Medford. Marston Balch and John Woodruff, producers. For Tufts stu-dents only. Non-Equity. University Playhouse, Mashpee. Producers, Henry T. Weinstein, Her-man Krawitz and Seymour Krawitz. Seats 385. Opens July 1. Carnegie Tech and Yale drama students. Non-Equity



Dramatic and Musical Annie Get Your Gun (Taft Auditorium) Cin-cinnati. Antony & Cleopatra, with Katharine Cornell (Shubert) Boston. Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo (Opera House) Boston. Blossom Time (Royal Alexandra) Toronto. Burlesque (Selwyn) Chicago. Carousel (Nixon) Pittsburgh. Cup of Tremoling, with Elizabeth Bergner Colonial) Boston. Dunham, Katharine (Majestic) Boston. First Mrs. Fraser (Court Square) Springfield, Mass., 14; (Shubert) New Haven, Conn., 15-17. Glass Menagerie (Shubert-Lafayette) Detroit. Harvey (Locust) Philadelphia. Inside U. S. A. (Shubert) Philadelphia. John Lives Mary (Harris) Chicago. Lady Windermer's Fan (Hartman) Columbus, O., 14; (English) Indianapolis, 15-17. Mary Had a Little (Studebaker) Chicago. My Romance (Cass) Detroit. Oklahoma (Curran) San Francisco. O Mistress Mine, with Lunt & Fontanne (Geary) San Francisco. Play's the Thing (National) Washington. Private Lives (American) St. Louis. Red Mill (Auditorium) Trenton, N. J., 14; (Playhouse) Wilmington, Del., 15-17. Show Boat (Shubert) Chicago. There Goes the Bride (Iowa) Cedar Rapids, Ia., 14; (Music Hall) Kansas City, Mo., 15-17. Third Person (McCarter) Princeton, N. J., 16-17.

Third Person (McCarter) Princeton, N. J., 16-17.

tory non-Equity resident company. Priscilla Beach Theater, Plymouth. Franklin Trask, director-producer. Seats 400 and can do 4G per week top biz. Summer theater colony of 150, with a 17-week season. Resident Equity company.

Provincetown Playhouse, Province-town. Producers, Virginia Pettet, 76 East 56th Street, New York, and Catharine Huntington. Seats 165. Opens June 28.

Berkshire Playhouse, Stockbridge. William Miles, Stockbridge, pro-ducer-director. Seats 436. Can gross 4G in top week. Season begins June 21 and runs 11 weeks. Resident Equity company.

Wellesley Summer Theater, Wel-lesley. Elson Winkler, Wellesley, producer-director. Seats 1,400 and can do a \$5,000 capacity in a week. Last season's biz was 20G. Opens July 13. Theater integrated with Wellesley College. Resident Equity company.

West Newbury Summer Theater, West Newbury. Arthur Kahn, pro-ducer. Seats 300. Under new management.

Red Barn Theater, Westboro. Rob-ert Daggett and Robert Haag, 161 East 48th Street, New York, producers-directors. Seats 300.

Worcester Theater, Worcester. Guy Palmerton, Hotel Wellington, New York, producer-owner. Seats 700. Resident Equity company.

Sharilawn-Sherwood, Ware. Paul B. Finby, 140 Riverside Drive, New York, producer-director-owner.

The Valley Players, Mountain Park, Holyoke, Jean Guild, 176 Lincoln Street, Holyoke, producer. Dorothy M. Crane, director. Seats 1,000. Twelve-week season. Last year's biz was 40G. Opens June 21. Resident Equity company.

Sandwich Summer Theater, Sand-wich. Franklin Trask, Cambridge 38, Mass. Resident Equity company. Lynn Summer Theater, Lynn. Franklin Trask, Cambridge 38, Mass. Resident Equity company.

#### MICHIGAN

MICHIGAN Open Air Theater, Detroit. Barrie Detroit. Barrie Care Masonic Daniels, producer, care Masonic Temple, Detroit. Summer operettas. Equily.

#### MISSOURI

man Krawitz and Seymour Krawitz. Seats 385. Opens July 1. Carnegie Tech and Yale drama students. Non-Equity. Straight Wharf Theater, Nantucket, Nantucket Island. Producers-owners-directors, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Wilson. Seats 200. Ten-week season. Reper-

NEW YORK, April 10.—The sum-mer stock package of Voice of the *Turtle* that H. Clay Blaney and Charles Russell are producing will be one of the costliest units to hit the haylofts this season. There will be two companies—an A troupe for the larger houses and a B troupe for medium-sized theaters. The approx-imate cost of the B package will be \$1,600 guaranteed against a 65-33 split, with the producers taking the \$1,000 guaranteed against a 65-37 split, with the producers taking the larger cut. The price for the A pack-age, which probably will star Gene Tierney, will be a \$3,500 guarantee against a 65-35 split, the managers again getting the larger share.

again getting the larger share. The producers claim they are bringing the package to the barr theaters for its cost to them and are even willing to show their books to prove this fact. They figure their dough will be made from the per-centage cut. Turtle already has 14 weeks booked. The package includes four people, a stage manager coming along with the show, but scenery will be built at each hayloft. Reports also have it that the scripter is get-ting a 10 per cent royalty cut for the show. show.

#### Det. "Desert Song" Seen Headed for Record Gross

DETROIT, April 10.—The 10th and final week of the Detroit Civic Light Opera season, under the direc-tion of Barrie O'Daniels, appear headed for an all-time record with close to sellouts for Desert Song starring Edward Roecker and Laure Hurley. The anticipated gross is fig-ured to nudge 60G, a mark consider-ably in excess of the \$54,800 hit the first week by Allan Jones in Ross Marie. The attendance figure is ex-pected to run about 33,000. The Easter season production o

The Easter season production o Babes in Toyland, with Stella Ander-son and Fred Kendall, a local radio singer, in stellar roles, grossed a good \$40,000, with an attendance of 24,000

#### Final Whyte, Kantor Action

NEW YORK, April 10.—The coun-cil of Actors' Equity will meet Mon day (12) to take final action or charges against Jerry Whyte, The ater Guild general stage manager in charge of musicals, and Herman Kantor, one of the stage managers o Allegro, that they participated in actions "prejudicial to the welfar of Equity members." The complaint were made by the chorus of Allegro via the grievance committee o Chorus Equity. Equity council ha already sat thru 25 hours of hearin, evidence on the case lasting from NEW YORK, April 10 .- The counevidence on the case lasting from Tuesday (6) thru a midnight session Thursday (8).

Last season's biz 600G. Season be gins first week in June and runs . weeks.

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE

Barnstormers, Tanworth. France G. Cleveland, producer.

New London Summer Theater lew London. Josephine Holme New London. producer. Non-Equity.

Chase Barn Playhouse, Whitefield Miss Margaret Hazlewood, care Con necticut College, New London, Conn producer.

Petersborough Summer Theate Petersborough. Edith Bond Stern 117 West 58th Street, New Yorl producer-owner. Seats 180. Lake Tarleton Theater, Pike. Star ley Woolf, 1697 Broadway, New Yorl producer. Only plays week-end Non-Equity.

# "Turtle" To Hit Stock With 2 Price Levels

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# McDonald Auspiced **Dates Good; Shapes** Unit for Pa. Tour

AKE GEORGE, N. Y., April 10.-W. J. McDonald, who recently wound up more than 100 sponsored dates that extended from New England to Spo-kane, will open his summer trek near here. Most of the season will be spent in established Pennsylvania here.

spent in established Pennsylvania summer resort territory. McDonald has been presenting a two-people bill. He plans a three-week vacation before the summer jaunt, on which he will use E. F. Hannan's three-piece bill, Okie From Oklahoma. Business on the winter tour was good, McDonald said.

# **Stanger Sees Brown** Unit in Return to Road This Season

SHEBOYGAN, Wis., April 10.— Louie Stanger, vet rep and tent show performer, revealed here this week that he is confident the Harry O. Brown Players, one of the old standard tent rep shows, which celebrated its 42d season in the business last year, will return to the road again in 1948.

Stanger says that when the org does bow it probably will play its old established territory. Stanger, who has been with the Brown org for a number of seasons since 1923, spent the winter here, lending a helping hand to his brother, who recently re-turned from a local hospital where he underwent surgery.

# Shields Pix - Vaude To Open in Ottawa

OTTAWA, Ont., April 10.---George Shields will spring his combo film and vaude show here April 12, play-ing schools and halls until the fair season when he will go under canvas. Shields has been showing religious

pix under auspices recently. Herman Online will assist Shields and later will add his animal acts to the org, Shields says.

#### **Summer Theater for Florian**

PITTSBURGH, April 10.-Florian Players, who recently wound up a successful 30-week season near here, have completed plans to operate a summer theater in Lancaster County.

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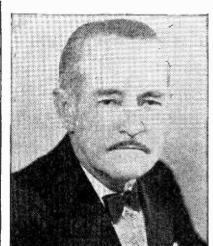
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SAM O. BRIGHT, veteran stock and SAM O. BRIGHT, veteran stock and repertoire performer, who died re-cently in Green Bay, Wis., of a heart attack following his return from An-tigo, Wis., where he had been appear-ing with the Town Hall Players, of Station WTAQ, Green Bay. Bright entered show business in 1908 with the old Jennings Show and enjoyed a lengthy career in rep and stock. He lengthy career in rep and stock. He had been with the Town Hall Players since 1941.

# **Tex Walters Preps** Summer Jaunt; Pix Layout Augmented

CICERO, Tex., April 10.-Chester (Tex) Walters has moved his vaude-pic outfit to Gonzales, Tex., where he had his unit most of last summer. He plans to play schools, halls and several outdoor dates.

Walters recently purchased several pix, including Daniel Boone and The Blue Rangers, from Albert Mitchell, which he will feature at his indoor engagements. Walters says that Al F. Bard will provide the vaude attractions.

## Sabo Sam Bows At Amsterdam, O.

AMSTERDAM, O., April 10.—Sabo Sam and his stage revue opened the new season at the new high school auditorium here April 9 under auspices of the local Parent-Teachers' Association.

Association. Featured with the unit are Billy True's boys band, with Sam doing the blackface. From here the unit moves to Adena, O., for an engage-ment under volunteer fire depart-ment auspices, with a stand in New Alexander, O., for the volunteer fire department there to follow. G. E. Reid is agenting the unit.

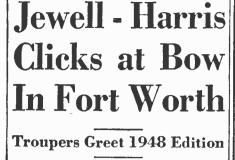
#### Masquers Do "Drunkard" For American Legion Post

CHICAGO, April 10. — Howard Rooney's Masquer Players have been contracted to present Rooney's ver-sion of the Drunkard here Saturday (17), under American Legion Post auspices at the latter's South Halstead

Street headquarters. A special preview will be given patients of State Hospital Friday (16). Cast includes Marvin C. How-ard, Corrine Kennedy, Robert Felton, Penny McGuiggan, Dorothy and Ed-dio Schredle Fugene Ferrozzi Lobo die Schroedle, Eugene Ferrazzi, John Brennan, Earl Edwards, Duane Le-Blanc, Wally Markvart and Jean Valiquette.

#### Muzzey Eyes Summer Spot

RUTLAND, Vt., April 10.—Wil-bert Muzzey is dickering for a spot for a summer theater near here. A local cast is to be used.



FORT WORTH, April 10.-Jewell & Harris Shows, Inc., successfully launched its 1948 tour with a sixlaunched its 1948 tour with a six-day stand here which ended tonight. Trixie Maskew said that enough troupers were in the opening night audience to start a No. 2 Unit. Mr. and Mrs. Rai Baillie visited for a day, but were unshe to stard the open but were unable to attend the open-ing because they had to leave to join Henry Brunk's Comedians. Recent additions to the roster in-clude Mr. and Mrs. R. Talkington, Burnette Messingale and Defoye

Mercer.

Visitors at opening included Henry Brunk, Mr. and Mrs. John Messin-gale, Pete LaValle, Phil Carlyle, Mr. and Mrs. C. Turner, Verge and Alyce Lester, May and Joey LaPalmer, Dick Darling, Rickey Darling, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rainwater, Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Benny Kirk-land, Joe McKennon, Harley and

land, Joe McKennon, Harley and Billie Sadler and Morris Rose. Mr. and Mrs. Hand, parents of Mrs. Jewell, will not take to the road this season. Show moved to Pilot Point, Tex., from here.

# Lawton Sets Summer Tour: Dakotas Okay

MITCHELL, S. D., April 10.-H. K. Lawton, who concluded a five-month trek of the Dakotas with a good stand here, reports that business on the tour was good despite inclement weather. Lawton recently purchased a num-ber of late 16mm. films and will add short-cast bills for a summer tour of halls.

He plans to continue the practice of supplying music for dancing after the show, with his wife assisting him.

Summer House for Knowlton MONTPELIER, Vt., April 10.—E. L. Knowlton, who successfully op-erated thruout New England this winter with religious pix, will operate a summer theater near here, with opening slated for late in June.



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# THE FINAL CURTAIN

ADAMS—Albert Victor, 48, part-ner in the clown team, Albertino and Lulu (his wife), with the Ringling Bros., and Barnum & Bailey Circus, April 6 in New York of a heart at-tack. (For details see Circus sectack. tion.)

BECK—Syd, former headliner on the Tivoli and Fuller circuits in Aus-tralia, recently in Sydney. He be-came prominent for his My Egyptian Mummy sketch.

BURFORD—William F. Sr., 63, Denver magician, April 2 in that city. Burford was known profes-sionally as Professor LeMont. In the last 20 years, since coming to Denver, be hed played monthy showing chorus he had played mostly charity shows. His widow and three daughters survive

BURKE—Jack R., 69, former man-ager of the Queen Theater and the old Grand Opera House, San Antonio, March 30 in that city.

CANNON—Cecil R., president and owner of the Henry Grady Hotel, Atlanta, and well known to many show folks, recently in that city. He was the first operator in Atlanta to use acts in his hotel. CRAIL—Rodney, side show owner with various carnivals some 30 years

with various carnivals some 30 years ago, recently in Washington, Ia. Burial in that city. CURTISS—Mrs. Jack, 30, singer, known professionally as Beth Cal-vert, April 1 in Jewish Hospital, Philadelphia. She and her husband played vaude and niteries for many years. She also leaves two sons and years. She also leaves two sons and her parents. Services and burial in Philadelphia April 4. D'IVERNOIS – Jean Philippe, 79,

organist, March 27 in Pittsburgh. Besides his early work in Europe, he played here with the Great Western Band, the Economite Band, the Syria Temple Band and in several Pittsburgh theater orchestras. His widow and his son survive.

DUFFY-Richard E., 28, manager of Station WOOB, Anniston, Ala., April 3 in Birmingham of injuries sustained in an auto accident. Sur-vived by his widow. Burial in Sardinia, O

dinia, O. EMERSON---Ralph Waldo, 53, ra-dio organist, April 8 in Hollywood. He had played on radio programs in Chicago and Phoenix, Ariz., and had been organist for the Lum 'n' Abner show the past three years. His widow and two sons survive. GOBBERS---Emil, 82, historian of circus artists, February 17 in Dues-seldorf Germany.

seldorf, Germany. GURNEY—Mrs. Edmund, 85, legit actress, April 4 in Manaton, Devon-shire, England. A British actress, she appeared here in *Pygmalion* with Mrs. Patrick Campbell, having ap-peared in the first production of the play in London with Sir Herbert Tree. She also played in *The Swan* and *Secrets* and toured with William Faversham in Shavian repertory. Her son, Dennis, director of the Black-friers' Guild Theater, New York, and

two daughters survive. HARRIDGE — Nellie Mae, 69, mother of Delmar Harridge, and both members of the Stephens Shows the past seven years, April 1 in Queen City, Mo. Burial in Queen City Cemetery

HERTZ-Mrs. Lilly Dorn, concert singer and widow of Dr. Alfred Hertz, conductor of the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra, April 4 in Guadalajara, Mexico. KENNEDY-

-Will J., retired burly and vaude comedian, April 8 in Hoosick Falls, N. Y. During the first world war he headed the first contingent of stage entertainers to

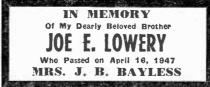
contingent of stage entertainers to go to France. KOCH—Fred H. (Cookie), 68, musi-cian and band leader in Cincinnati for over 50 years, April 7 at his home in Cincinnati. Survived by a son, Wil-liam J. (Cookie) Koch, also a band leader, currently at the Club Riviera,

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Newport, Ky.; a brother, William, of Cincinnati, and a sister, Mrs. Charles Hafer, Indianapolis. Burial in Spring Grove Cemetery, Cincinnati, April 12. KOTSOS—John (John Gordon), KOTSOS—John (John Gordon), 65, concessionaire, April 6 in Washbb, concessionaire, April 6 in Wash-ington. He had been with the Shees-ley, Zeidman, Cetlin & Wilson and Strates shows. His sister survives. Burial in the NSA plot in Ferncliff Cemetery, Hartsdale, N. Y.



LOCKWOOD - Kenneth F., 66, hunting and fishing authority, April 2 in Newark, N. J. Besides his regu-lar column for *The Newark News*, Lockwood conducted a weekly broadcast on fish and game over WNJR, Newark. His widow, daughter and sister survive.



MARKS-David, 50, vaude agent, recently in London. Survived by his widow, the former Pauline Collins.

MEGAREE—Frank S., 47, presi-dent of the Scranton Broadcasters' Corporation, March 30 in Scranton, Pa. His company operated WGBI. His widow and five children survive.

MOFFETT—Paul G., 48, State sen-ator and former president of Indiana State Fair Board, April 7 near Indianapolis

apolis. MOORE—"Snitz," 72, burly, vaude and legit comedian, April 3 in New York. Besides his appearances on the Columbia wheel, he toured as the late Sam Bernard's understudy in the road companies of Rich Mr. Hoggenheimer and Friendly Enemies. He was a member of the Jewish Theatri-cal Guild. Burial in Kensico Ceme-tery, New York. MOSIAS—Irving S. (Swizzle) 48,

park and carnival concessionaire the past 30 years, recently in Delaware Hospital, Wilmington, Del., of a heart attack. Mosias was associated with Bob Parker in the operation of Barlett's Diggers, the past five years, having been on the Kirkwood Shows the last four seasons. Survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Mosias, Miami Beach, Fla., and a sis-ter, Mrs. Lillian Werthheimer, Chi-cago. Services and burial in Miami April 11.

**In Loving Memory** Of My Dear Husband JOHNNY MITCHELL Who Was Killed April 19, 1947. "Time Will Never Heal My Aching Heart" **MAXINE MITCHELL** 

OTT-Morris, 61, showman for 40 years, March 23 at his home in Val-dosta, Ga. He had been with the Walter L. Main and King Bros.? cirdosta, Ga. He had been with the Walter L. Main and King Bros.' cir-cuses and played the Keith Circuit with his wife, Nina, in the act, Ott and Ott, jugglers. In later years he was associated with his son-in-law in the operation of a med show, the Ott & Prescott Show. Besides his wife, he leaves two daughters, Mrs. Jewell

Prescott, and Cornelia. Burial in Sun-set Hill Cemetery, Valdosta. PAIGE—Justin, 93, legit stock and repertory player, March 31 in Brent-wood, L. I., N. Y. He appeared with William Farnum Katherine Boher William Farnum, Katherine Rober, Vaughn Glaser and many others. Cemetery, in Evergreen Burial Brooklyn.

PERHAM-Evelyn C., wife of the owner-manager of the Pine Tree State Shows, March 12 at her home in Cape Elizabeth, Me.

m Cape Elizabeth, Me. PLATT—Thomas E., concessionaire identified with shows on the West Coast for a number of years, recently in U. S. Navy Hospital, Oakland, Calif. Burial in Golden Gate Na-tional Cemetery, San Bruno, Calif. His widow, Jeanne, survives.

IN MEMORY OF OUR RAY W. ROGERS Who passed away April 13, 1946. EMMA N. ROGERS ms—RAY JR and BARON NOWARK Sons

SHAFER—O. Burton, 75, actor and dancer, at his ranch near Clovis, Calif., April 4, of a heart attack. He headlined on the old Orpheum Circuit for many years and was one of the few male toe dancers in the country. He had danced with Anna Pavlowa when she first appeared in this country. In later years he was active in production departments of Hollyin production departments of Holly-wood film studios. Services in Fresno, Calif.



TOOLE--Walter, for 30 years with athletic shows on carnivals, recently in St. John, N. B. He was with the Ben Williams Shows for many years. UPRIGHT—Mrs. Blanche, 68, nov-elist and playwright, April 3 in Palm Springs, Calif. She wrote four novels, five plays and several movie scenarios. She leaves two sons, David, and Ernest.

est. WILLIAM—Clifton, 21, Houston, laborer with the Ringling-Barnum circus, in Florence, S. C., April 1 (Details in Circus department). WILSON—Edith, 70, mother of Mrs. Alice Gorham, exploitation manager of United Detroit Theaters, March 27 in that city. Survived by her hus-band and four other children. Inter-ment in Woodlawn Cemetery, Detroit.

# Marriages

BARE - COATES — Richard Bare, film director, and Phyllis Coates, ac-tress, in Las Vegas, Nev., April 28. BROWN-KANE—Frank J. Brown, bingo operator, and Ruth Kane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kane, concessionaires on the Prell Broad-way Shows, March 26 in Charles-ton, S. C. COHEN-ROSENFELD—Joe Cohen. and the solution of the rell Broad-ay Shows, March 26 in Charles-n, S. C. COHEN-ROSENFELD—Joe Cohen, program director of KTYL, Phoenix.

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veteran Halifax, N. S., concessionaire, and Naomi Rosenfeld, recently in

Halifax. FITZPATRICK-WELCH — Eddie Fitzpatrick Jr., band leader at Hotel St. Francis, San Francisco, and Rhoda Welch, nonpro, April 6 in San Francisco.

GOOD-HENDRICKSON — Walter Good, manager of *Ice-Capades*, and Mary Hendrickson, skater, March **30** in Chicago.

GREAZA-AMBROSE -- Walter N. Greaza, stage and radio actor and former executive of Actors' Equity, and Helene Ambrose, actress, April in New York. KEMMY-IVEY-3

John Kemmy and Eva Ivey, April 13 in Kansas City, Mo. They comprise the team of the Kemmys, now touring veterans' hospitals.

LEE-WALDO-Robert E. Lee, radio writer-director and co-author of Look, Ma, I'm Dancin,' and Janet Waldo, radio's Corliss Archer, March 30 in Hollywood.

McGARRAY-QUINAN—Robert Mc-Garray and Eileen Quinan, auditor at Mutual Entertainment Agency, Inc., April 3 in Chicago.

SIMONE-O'D&A-Charles Simone and Sunnie O'Dea, stage and screen dancer, March 31 in New York.

WEST-SMITH—Allen W. West and Corda Smith, high act manager and performer, respectively, with the Bright Lights Exposition Shows, pril 2 in Bainbridge, Ga. WILKINSON-TATE-Robert Wil-April

kinson, of Royal American Shows, and Lucille Tate, of the John H. Marks Shows, March 20 in Saluda, S. C.

# Births

A daughter, Joele, to Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Glass March 20 in New York. Father is a member of the profes-sional staff at Paramount Music. A son to Mr. and Mrs. James Greenwood March 11 in Pittsburgh. Father is a WCAE staffer. A son, Richard Craig, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leonard April 4 at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Hollywood.

Mrs. Jack Leonard April 4 at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Hollywood. Mother is Dorothy Schalk, former secretary at Amusement Corporation of America, Chicago. Father heads the parts department at Badger Sales

the parts department at Badger Sales Company, Los Angeles. A son, Cyrus Ernest, to Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Holliday March 22. Mother is a former member of the Del Rios troupe. Father is owner of the Funhouse on the World of Mirth Shows.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Welch March 24 in Stafford Springs, Conn.

March 24 in Statford Springs, Conn. Father is a technician at Station WTIC, Hartford, Conn. A son to Mr. and Mrs. David (Sonny) Werblin April 1 in New York. Father is vice-president of the Music Corporation of America; Music Corporation of America; mother is the former Leah Ray, singer

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Berch recently in San A Father is with Station WOAI. Antonio.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Coogan April 2 in Glendale, Calif. Mother is Ann McCormick, former singer; father is a film actor.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Sy Fried-man April 3 in New York. Father is chief photographer for the National Father

Broadcasting Company's television. A son to Mr. and Mrs. Nat Rudich April 5 New York. Father is tele-vision director of Gainsborough Associates.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jaffe April 5 in New York. Father is a theatrical attorney; mother is

Jean Muir, legit and pic actress. A son to Mr. and Mrs. Milt De-Lugg April 4 in Hollywood. Father is music director of the Abe Burrows



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**R-B BLENDS OLD WITH NEW** Motor Speed Round-Up:

# Midget Racing Skedded for **Polo Grounds**

#### \$10,000 Guaranteed Purses

NEW YORK, April 10. — Midget auto races will be presented at the Polo Grounds this summer under the promotional banner of Small Car Enterprises, Inc., Madison Square Garden. Alexis Thompson, New York and Philadelphia sportsman, is presi-dent of the newly formed org; Dick Surphlis is secretary and Walter C. Stebbins, a well-known figure in the field of outdoor promotion, is general manager.

manager. Fifteen nights of racing have been scheduled on Tuesdays and Saturdays during June, July and August, while the Giants' baseball club is on the road. Guaranteed prize money in the amount. of \$10,000 will be offered nightly. This amount is claimed to be the largest ever offered for midget

Rightly. This amount is claimed to be the largest ever offered for midget races on a guaranteed basis. Racing dates are June 1, 5, 8, 12, 29; July 3, 13, 17, 20, 24; August 10, 14, 24, 28, 31.

#### Special .Track

Special Track A specially constructed track will be completed within the next 10 days. It consists of 2,200 sections with an aluminum base, and was constructed at a reported cost of \$150,000. It will weigh 650,000 pounds and is so con-structed that it can be erected for each race and dismantled when the event is over. Each operation will consume 12 hours and require the services of 200 men. The racing surface is of fir and

The racing surface is of fir and The racing surface is of fir and pine wood, with interlocking sections, and measures one-fifth of a mile on the inside and one-quarter of a mile on the outside. Track is 44 feet wide on the turns with an eight-foot bank, and 36 feet wide with a three-foot bank on the straightaways. Its width will permit four cars to race abreast at all points. The track also has a 12-foot apron on the inside for dis-abled cars. abled cars.

#### Stebbins Back in Field

Handling of the Polo Grounds' races Handling of the Polo Grounds' races narks Stebbins' return to active par-icipation in the auto racing field for the first time since before the war. In 1946-'47 he promoted numerous other outdoor events, mainly trotting races. It was Stebbins who intro-luced large-scale midget auto racing n this area when in 1936 he brought 12 top drivers to the Madison Square Farden Bowl. Before the war he promoted midget races at Cedarhurst. promoted midget races at Cedarhurst, ... I., and Long Branch, N. J. He also romoted big car races at fairs and till dates.

Small Car Enterprises also will perate Hinchcliffe Stadium at Pater-on, N. J., during 1948.

#### Norfolk, Neb., Bars Shows

NORFOLK, Neb., April 10. — City ouncil has acted to ban carnivals rom showing within the city limits. 'or years council has permitted car-ivals to show only under sponsorhip of civic or patriotic organizations.

# CSRA Season Opens April 18 At Celina, O., Fairgrounds

association headquarters here.

association headquarters here. Other early dates are: April 25, Greenville, O.; May 2, New Bremen, O.; May 9, Owosso, Mich.; May 16, Greenville, O.; May 31, the Heidle-berg Speedway, Pittsburgh.

Sacramento Under BCRA SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Billy Hune-feld, promoter, plans to start the midget auto race season at Hughes Stadium here either the first or sec-ond Monday in May under the colors

DAYTON, O., April 10.—F:rst big car race meet of the season under the sanction of the Central States Racing Association (CSRA) will be staged Sunday (18) at the Celina, O., fair-grounds, it was announced at the percention before the top the BCRA group.

the BCRA group. Among the top URA pilot to trans-fer were Billy Vukovich, ranked sec-ond in 1947 in URA competition and 1945 and 1946 champion; Dick Fer-guson, who finished fourth last year, and Edgar Elder, fifth place man in 1947. Other transfers include Eli Vukovich, Frank Armi, Andy Guthrie, Johnny Boyd, Chuck Stevenson, Johnny Baldwin, Norman Girtz and Cliff Epp. Billy Cantrell, last year's (See SPEED ROUND-UP on page 50) (See SPEED ROUND-UP on page 50)

# **Close-Ups: Traver Found His Inspiration In** Sea Gulls, Money in Big Crowds By Jim McHugh

This is another of a series of little-known facts about prominent people in outdoor show business.)

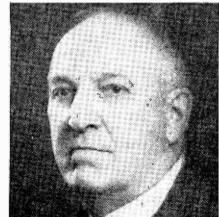
"VE started from scratch three times and I'm ready to do it again if need be, altho I'm 70 years old," is the way Harry G. Traver, ride designer, builder, owner and operator sums up his 45 years in outdoor show business. The manner in which he got into the business is typical of the mental

agility of the man. At 34 he worked his way to Europe on a cattle boat to view the coronation of King Edward and to recuperate from an attack

to view the coronation of King Edwa of diphtheria. On the return trip, while relaxing on deck between chores, Harry watched for hours the graceful flight of sea gulls encircling the ship's mast. In his mind he turned them into suspended cars whose revolutions around a vertical pole could be controlled. In this way originated the idea for the Circle Swings. The ride was a natural and its

The ride was a natural and its popularity was assured with its debut. It offered both height and action. Patrons experienced the unique thrill most folks receive on their first airplane flight. "I built over 500," Harry says.

"I built over 500," Harry says. "Every amusement park in this coun-try and most of the others scattered thruout the world have one. When the park field was virtually ex-hausted I redesigned the ride for portable use and scores of carnivals purchased them." Altho compara-tively simple in design the ride hed



#### HARRY G. TRAVER

tively simple in design, the ride had great durability. "I installed a Circle Swing 42 years ago at Euclid Beach, Cleveland," Harry relates. "It cost \$12,000, has grossed over \$500,000 and is still running. Only two sets of cars have been added in that time, mainly for modernization purposes, and the unit is good for 40 years more. Trees which were little more than seedlings when the ride was installed have had to be trimmed many times to keep clear the arc traveled by the cars. "You can see," Harry adds ruefully, "why I didn't make money in the ride business." (But one really can't see; not when one begins multiplying

500 by \$12,000.)

The Chicago World's Fair demonstrated to Traver that one could get money if one got people, no matter how bad business was. The depression had fixed it so that you couldn't sell, and if you sold you couldn't collect. Accordingly, it seemed wise to build the Roller Coaster and Scooter at the fair. The railroads and newspapers backed the doings heroically and the operators got dough. "The Scooter took in \$81,000 in 1933. When I found out that if you got (See TRAVER FOUND HIS INSPIRATION on page 52)

# **Bow Response** Presages Big Garden Click

#### Sock Hinterland Tour Hinted

(Continued from page 3) the show grossed an estimated

the show grossed an estimated \$2,000,000 here. Talent is profuse and top-flight, as usual, with the emphasis on almost uninterrupted action in the three rings, on the two stages and in the air. A mere handful of new acts, the result of North's winter scouting tour of Europe, are all creditable with the juggler, Francis Brunn, and Unus, the equilibrist, outstanding. Revived and just as popular as when last pre-sented several years ago is the run-ning springboard tumbling of the Ugo ning springboard tumbling of the Ugo Troupe (Boginas) over the backs of as many as five elephants placed side by side in the hippodrome track.

#### **Elephants Back to Work**

Another welcome sight is the ulti-mate use in a performing sense once again of the incomparable herd of Ringling elephants in all three rings, as routined and directed by the show's

as routined and directed by the show's new head bull man, Hugo Schmidt, Both displays add some old-time circus atmosphere, the lack of which was lamented following the influx of aerial and ground ballet girls, as de-vised by John Murray Anderson, sev-eral seasons ago. Anderson directed this year's performance, and girls are still much in evidence but not paramount in the over-all production

Paramount in the over-all production. Altho the usual four specs were presented, it appeared that North this year sliced production costs, but in a manner that will never be obvious to the circus patron. The costuming, altho elaborate and colorful, does not quite come up to former years. Floats are still used plentifully, but their de-sign and massiveness is not compar-able to those that awed the circus fans of the past two seasons.

#### **Props** Lightened

Props Lightened All show props have been consid-erably lightened. This, together with the newly devised portable grand-stands, the invention of Arthur M. Concello, who took over this year as general manager, will greatly aid the show in moving when it goes under convas canvas.

The most noteworthy innovation is the use of steel mesh cages for animal acts. The mesh, made of light chain with openings about 8 inches square, is an extraordinary improvement over the former unwieldly barred arenas. the former unwieldly barred arenas. The mesh, which is flexible and light, is lashed to a ring and can be hauled to the top of the arena or big top in a matter of minutes. During per-formances the lower ends of the vertical chains are anchored to a ring, which in turn is fastened to a circu-lar wooden platform placed within lar wooden platform placed within each of the performing rings.

For the first time spectators can see every movement of the animals as they are put thru their paces. There are no blind spots caused by heavy caging. The grouping of white lights (See R-B BLENDS on page 47)

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133G Outlay for Night Show; S. A.'s Coney Isle **200-Mile Auto Race Framed;** Will Offer Lavish Exhibits

**GENERAL OUTDOOR** 

#### Gives New Look to Buildings, Grounds, Lighting

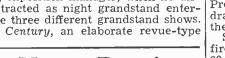
MILWAUKEE, April 10.—A potent night bill, budgeted at \$133,000, will head the attractions to be unfolded here, starting August 7, for the 23day run of the Wisconsin Centennial Exposition, which will embrace this year's Wisconsin State Fair. Indications of the power of the night show were given this week by Ralph Ammon, exposition manager, when he disclosed some of the features already contracted as night grandstand enter-tainment. Thruout the run, there will be three different grandstand shows. Chief among these will be Songs of a Century, an elaborate revue-type production built around songs writ-

ten by Wisconsin composers and fea-turing the appearance of Wisconsin native sons and daughters who have made names for themselves on the stage, screen, radio or in the concert field.

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Best known of those already inked are Dennis Morgan and Charles Win-ninger, film stars. Others signed are Lucille Meusel, coloratura soprano, Lucille Meusel, coloratura soprano, with a Metropolitan Opera back-ground, and Julia Bustabo, violinist, originally a Badger State violinist, who built her reputation largely in Europe and more recently in the U.S. Nordinitions are under way to ch

Negotiations are under way to ob-in the services of other native ames. Those contracted will appear tain names. Those contracted will appe (See Wisconsin Cent. on page 58)

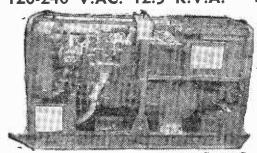


# Upped to \$140,000

DES MOINES, April 10.—Premiums to be offered at the 90th annual Iowa State Fair, August 25-September 3, will total \$140,000, Secretary L. B. Cunningham announced. This is Cunningham announced. This is \$5,000 more than was offered last year, increases in some livestock classes accounting for the boost.

Premium offerings for the boost. Premium offerings for major classes of livestock in open competition will amount to more than \$22,000 for horses, \$35,200 for cattle, \$18,400 for swine, \$5,800 for sheep and \$8,800 for poultry. poultry.

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GENERATOR: 120-240 single phase 60 cycle AC; rated power 12.5 KVA at 80% power factor. Voltage change is accomplished by changing jumper connections or ter-starting full automatic, automatic cut-off if oil or water is low. Overall size: Length, 67½ in.; Width, 28½ in.; Height, 28½ in.; Weight, 1556 lbs. Complete set of tools and extra parts packed with each plant. These plants cost the government several times our price. Packed in original overseas boxes and ready to operate, brand new. Our price F. O. B. Jackson, Miss.; San Antonio, or Florida.

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ness this season and acts, especially, are proving a big drawing card. Samuel Bakerman, co-owner of Coney Island and in charge of book-

ing the acts, reports the attractions this season are drawing better than ever before in the history of the funspot.

Present attraction is Ernesto Kopilovia, Argentine violinist, who does his fiddling atop a balancing ladder. Previous acts which proved a big draw were the Skating Earles and the Mirths, pantomime. Saturday (3), Bakerman presented fireworks which attracted a crowd of

20,000, including President Romelo Gallegos.

# **Polo Promotional Debut in Memphis Comes Out Winner**

MEMPHIS, April 10.—An early check-up following the April 1-3 thrill show staged in a Memphis fairgrounds building under auspices of the local Disabled American Veterans chapter indicated that the event would be a financial success, accord-ing to Eddie Polo, veteran stunt man, who made his debut here as a pro-moter. moter.

Polo said tickets sold at the box office guaranteed the wages of per-formers and workers. Still to be office guaranteed the wages of per-formers and workers. Still to be accounted for was a distribution of 80,000 tickets for sale. Of this amount, 60,000 were adult tickets at \$1 each, the remainder being distributed in schools for sale at 50 cents. The latter were tied in with the superboy latter were tied in with the superboy and supergirl contests, winners to re-ceive prizes donated by merchants. Polo reports his local bally stunt of permitting himself to be hoisted up the side of a building by his hair was caught by a Fox Movietone camera-man. Life magazine, he said, has scheduled a layout of pictures on him for its April 13 edition

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Scheduled a layout of pictures on him for its April 13 edition.
Featuring Polo in a slide for life
by his hair, the attractions line-up included Heerdinks and Company,
bars; Lou Morgan, cyclist; Cyse
O'Dell, aerialist; Snyder and Gage,
trampoline; King Reynolds, tight
wire; Armstrong's comedy Ford;
Royal Rockets, roller skaters; Eric
Phillmore, juggler; Speedy Babs,
globe of death; Ethel D'Arcy, aerial-ist; Happy Maxwell, Jack Darling,
Leb Stewart and Harry Lee, clowns,
and Flying Valentinos.
Polo said his next promotion, to be
held May 20-22 in Nashville, will
feature circus acts, fireworks, auto
crashes and bus jumps, and a stage
production.

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#### **Octavio Pedero Signs Three** Fairs for Mid-Western Expo

NASHVILLE, Ark., April 10. Octavio Pedero, new advance agent of the Mid-Western Exposition, returned here this week from a booking tour during which he contracted three more fairs for that org. They are the Crawford County Fair, Girard, Kan.; Gentry County Fair, Albany, Mo., and the Worth County Fair, Grant City, Mo

Ted Woodward, show owner, an-nounced the show is set for 18 Iowa celebrations, the first of which is skedded for early June at Rutland.



#### Mich. on Parade Is Theme

DETROIT, April 10 .- Plans for a large-scale 15-day celebration, Mich-igan on Parade, were disclosed here by Roland S. Phillips, who has been associated as a promoter with numerassociated as a promoter with numer-ous celebration plans in this city and elsewhere for a number of years. Present sponsorship is to be by the United Clubs of Detroit, Inc., said to include a combination of 85 local clubs. Phillips also said that both the State and National Democratic com mittage are are on presing in the proje mittees are co-operating in the project.

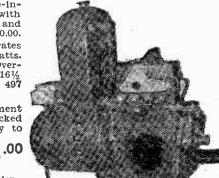
A 264-acre site of resort property A 264-acre site of resort property near Brighton, Mich., 30 miles north-west of Detroit, has been leased for five years, with plans calling for a permanent fair or exposition to be developed somewhat along the lines, but on a smaller scale, of the pro-jected world's fair for Detroit. Emphasis will be upon the 45 na-tionality groups which are an impor-

Emphasis will be upon the 45 na-tionality groups which are an impor-tant factor in the sponsoring organ-ization, and specialized show, folk, and other productions by each na-tional group will be featured in the programing and exhibits. Rustic recreation area, bathing beach, and fishing facilities are part of the project now available, with numerous types of contests, novelty events and races being planned for this summer, according to Phillips. Tentative opening date is the July 4 week end, with a 15-day program, July 3-18, on the order of an extended celebration. Phillips predicts an at-tendance of 300,000 for this period. Advance tickets are to be sold at 50 cents each. Outdoor show attractions will be contracted on a long-term basis.

cents each. Outdoor show attractions will be contracted on a long-term basis, Phillips said, but with rigid restric-tions on "ethical requirements." He added the Michigan on Parade show may buy and operate its own carni-val and midway equipment if the right kind of deal cannot be made with show organizations. Series of productions to follow the two-week opener in July will include.

two-week opener in July will include, according to Phillips, Democracy on Parade in September; similar paired productions in future years; year-round operation of the leased site at Woodland Lake as a resort, and a wintor show indexes to be held here winter show indoors to be held here at Convention Hall.





Mount Dora, Fla.



(Continued from page 45) at the opening performance, spot-lighting the activities in the three arenas, served to almost wash out the thin strands of chain, with the result that the spectator's view is near perfort. It is unlikely that were clear perfect. It is unlikely that even clear plastic or glass arenas could add much to the visibility. No bugs in the new equipment were evident in the preem performance, altho the ani-mals natioularly Kengalman's polen mals, particularly Konselman's polar bears, took several rehearsals to get used to their new surroundings.

**Cage Chutes Eliminated** Aiding in speeding up the presentation of the animal acts is the use this wagon for the first time of a single cage wagon for all of the animals assigned to an arena. The wagons are backed flush with the cage opening and the animals enter and leave the arena without the use of chutes.

Heading up the thrill department this year as last, when they first ap-peared in this country and with the Big Show, are the Alzanas, minus Hilda, who is still hospitalized in Miami as the result of an accident there two days before the show ar-rived in the Sarasota winter quar-ters. The fall, which hospitalized two other members of the troupe, has not resulted in Harold adopting even ordinary caution. He still mounts and leaves the act's high rig-ging by walking, aided only by a parasol, a wire anchored at a 45-degree angle. He disdained use of a balancing pole on the tight wire and jumped rope on one foot. As tho afraid of shorting the customers, he jumps forward and then back thru Heading up the thrill department jumps forward and then back thru a short length of rope stretched be-tween his hands. His antics, includ-ing considerable weaving on the wire,



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nerveless descent, slow caused the audience to scream and gasp in excitement.

Juggler Is Good Francis Brunn, an import inked by North during his European trip, is

the best juggler seen with the Big Show in many years. Billed as being better than the late Great Rastelli, who was a European standout about 10 years ago, Brunn has considerable. ability plus the faculty for perform-ing at a mile-a-minute clip. The sup-ple Brunn can control the flight of juggled balls with almost any part of his body and crowns his staccato presentation with the spinning of hoops on both arms and legs while keeping three oversize balls in motion. He is flanked in the end rings by the Chiesas and the Perezoffs and Rolando, both good acts held over.

Likely to win even more appeal with audiences is Unus, an equilibrist with a double-measure of showmanship. Performing on stage props Unus first ostensibly balances one gloved finger on top of a lighted globe about 12-inches in diameter. Later, about 12-inches in diameter. Later, on another lighted globe propped about 6-feet high, he balances first on a ring, holding his body virtually motionless for a minute or more. Again, still using only one hand, he balances on a pool cue, the tip of which is placed on the globe and, again, on a cane. He is flanked by Los Onas, an imported high perch act having a neat routine, and the Rosales Sisters, top-flight gymnasts. Sisters, top-flight gymnasts.

#### First German Act

Cilly Feindt, German equestrienne, and the first act to be imported from and the first act to be imported from that country since before the war, performed well on her own horse, autho she arrived in Boston only Monday (5). Sharing honors in pre-senting the high school horses were Claude Valois and Jose Moeser.

The Zoppe riding act, with the midget, Cucciola, another import, pre-sented only a run-of-the-mill routine and stunts, climaxing their performance in the center ring with the midget suspended from a riding me-chanic. The latter routine got a lot of applause and laughs, but the little fellow was worked pretty hard open-ing night, to the extent of knocking down part of Rose Gould's rigging, and if he can withstand the rigors of his routine for many consecutive performances it will be surprising, indeed.

In an aerial display are the Mandos Sisters, an import, who present a neat aerial gymnast routine on a novel rigging resembling a giant anchor. Other aerialists in this display are Al Powell and Ira Millette, perennial favorites and another import, the Great Trisco, who displayed little of note opening night.

Other New Acts The Italian Zavattas, with Signo-rina Zoppe, here from Europe for the first time, present a bounding rope routine lacking any real punch. On the other hand, and in the same dis-play, the Spanish Zavattas, another import, present a fast and creditable bicycle act. In the same display are Lola Dobritch in her usual good wire routine. the Goethis, unicyclists, and the Joanidies, slack wire juggling.

Alberty, presented in this country for the first time on a 45-foot swaying pole, won considerable favor with the crowd, altho most of the appeal in his act was the result of dramatic lighting and excellent music on the part of bandmaster Merle Evans and his band. The act would be lost in com-petition with dozens of similar acts (See R-B BLENDS on page 53)



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Gass says new rule can't help but increase difficulty already faced by shows

already faced by shows WASHINGTON, April 10.—The travel outlook for circuses and carni-vals in territories served by coal-burning railroads turned gloomier than ever Friday (9), as the Office of Defense Transportation (ODT) or-dered an additional 25 per cent cut in freight hauled by coal burners. The new cutback becomes effective Thursday (15). A. G. Gass, chief of the railroad division of the ODT, told The Bill-board that the new cut, bringing the total freight cutback to 50 per cent of normal requirements, "cannot help but increase heavily the difficulty faced by traveling shows in arrang-ing to have their equipment hauled as general freight. The shows will have to be competing more strenu-ously than ever with other industries in trying to get whatever freight space is available," he said. The only ray of hope appears to be in the determination of President Truman and his advisors to end the soft coal walkout by legal procedure urder the Taft-Hartley Act, it was explained. Even this hope is dampened by the

explained.

Even this hope is dampened by the turned to work.

# Another 25% Ready New Conveyor Belt-Type, Eye-Catching Sandwich Grill

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 10 .-- | Exclusive sale of a new conveyor belt-type grill, said to be odorless and capable of producing 250 hamburgers or cube steaks or 720 hot dogs an hour, has been taken over by Chan bour, bas been taken over by Chan Laube and George Bush, partners in the B. & L. Concessions, Kansas City, the nation's largest firm dealing in eat-and-drink grandstand concessions at fairs, and Bill Carsky, of the Casey Company, Chicago, general show merchandisers.

The trio recently formed a new Florida corporation, the Roll-On Grill Sales, wherein they set themselves up to handle not only the sales but to finance the manufacture of the grill. Discussing the grill here, Bush and Laube claim it will revolutionize the selling of hot sandwiches at outdoor

adamant attitude of John L. Lewis, head of the United Mine Workers head of the United Mine Workers (UMW). It is possible for Lewis to fight any injunction against the walkout thru the Supreme Court, a procedure which might take months. In spite of the conservation meth-ods set up by ODT, the railroad stockpile of coal has dropped below the 20-day mark, setting April 30 as the approximate crisis day when coal-burning engines will be stranded if the miners have not re-turned to work.

events and will have a similar effect at roadstands and other eateries.

Small, individual frying pans are used in the grill, with each piece of meat being prepared in a separate pan as it moves thru a baker's-type oven on a conveyor-belt type ar-rangement. The oven has burners both at the top and bottom and the location of these is such that the fumes are burned, rendering the operation odorless.

The oven itself is encased on all sides with pyrex glass, with only a small entrance and small exit to persmall entrance and small exit to per-mit the placing and removal of a pan from the conveyor. Only the top is not in glass, stainless steel being used there. The expanse of glass, how-ever, is more than sufficient for a patron to watch his hamburger or hot dog, or what have you, as it is prepared while moving down the con-veyor belt. The entire oven is 5 feet six inches long and 38 inches high six inches long and 38 inches high.

#### See It as Concesh Boon

The grill will prove a boon to con-cessionaires, Bush and Laube main-tain, because it will provide odorless, sanitary preparation of food in full sight of the customers, and the flash alone of the oven should serve to greatly stimulate sales. It can be so operated that meat can be prepared with ease for a patron's taste—that is, rare, medium or well done.

A refrigerated compartment is being considered to store meat. The grill itself is easy to tear down and as-semble, according to Bush and Laube, who add that over-all weight is about 250 pounds.

When operating to full capacity, two people, one to feed the belt, the other to remove the prepared meat, are needed. However, one person can easily operate the grill when it is not going at full capacity, it was said.

# **Cincy's Home Show** Adds Exhib Space

CINCINNATI, April 10.-A limited CINCINNA'TI, April 10.—A limited amount of additional space has been made available for exhibitors at this year's Greater Cincinnati Home Show skedded for Music Hall, May 15-23, under auspices of the Home Builders Association of Greater Cincinnati and *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, it was re-vealed this week by Richard M. Sand-berg event's director. More than berg, event's director. More than 65,000 people attended last year's show and early estimates have placed

show and early estimates have placed the anticipated 1948 attendance on a par with that figure. *The Enquirer*, in its May 16 edi-tion, plans to publish a special Home Show section in which exhibitors will be given an opportunity to call at-tention to their displays and products at the exposition. Exhibitors have planned numerous novel displays in-cluding the latest developments on electronics. electronics. A number of acts were used at last

year's show.

#### **New Stand at Belle Fourche**

BELLE FOURCHE, S. D.; April 10.—Contracts have been awarded for the construction of a \$6,300 grand-stand at the Black Hills Round-Up grounds here. The new stand will be 102 feet long, 19 rows high, and seat 1,200 people. Part of the old bleachers will be torn down to make room for the construction room for the construction.



FORT WORTH, April 10.—The city has offered its North Fort Worth Coliseum for sale. H. H. Morse, real estate dealer, has been asked to find a buyer. It is estimated the plant is worth between \$350,000 and \$500,-000.

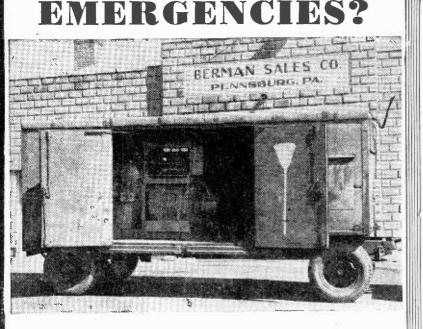
The Coliseum is privately leased for dances, concerts, wrestling matches and other events. For many years the rodeo and horse show of the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show were held in the Coliseum.

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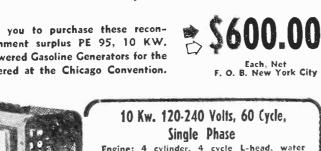
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# **Execs as Bleachers Collapse**

REDWOOD CITY, Calif., April 10.—Over 60 persons were injured seri-ously enough to require hospital treatment when a section of Bailey Bros.' Circus's bleacher seats collapsed during a matinee performance here Tues-day (6). Circus management was credited with averting a major panic when the ringmaster used the circus microphone to urge patrons to remain orderly and the band continued playing. Some 1 800 spectrators were watchorderly and the band continued playing. Some 1,800 spectators were watch-ing an elephant act finale when the crash occurred. The elephants were led quickly from the tent. There was no panic.

The crash brought the charge by Fire Inspector Richard Drivon that the circus management had refused to stop the show a few minutes be-fore the accident. He said he pointed out that the section was overloaded and slowly sinking but that a circus official told him he would wait until the act was over.

Henry (Hank) Carlile, circus man-ager, said he was given the fire in-spector's permission to end the ele-phant act before closing the show. He blamed city authorities for failure to tell him the circus lot was on filled ground. He said the seats did not break, nor was there any mechanical failure.

An investigation disclosed the stands had been placed on ground softened by heavy week-end rains. One section of the stand started to One section of the stand started to sink and brought about the collapse. The fallen section was 180 feet long and eight tiers high. Show pulled stakes immediately after the accident, cancelling a scheduled evening per-formance. The show reportedly was given permission to continue its tour.

City authorities announced they had not determined what action, if any, would be taken against the circus management.

#### Show Insured

Anticipating scores of damage suits as a result of the collapse, insurance investigators have started an inquiry into cause of the accident. The circus is reported to be insured to the extent of \$100,000 for any single person and

\$300,000 for any single accident. Meanwhile, the show was permitted to play two scheduled performances in San Mateo, with police stopping the sale of tickets after 1,000 had been sold. The show then moved to Modesto.

Redwood City officials announced that no criminal action would be taken against the circus. While avert-ing any criminal prosecution, the cir-cus faces civil action on a number of fronts. of fronts.

One such action, unrelated to the grandstand collapse, was filed in San Mateo County. It was a \$75,000 dam-age suit filed against Robert Stevens, Bailey Bros. owner, by William Moore, listed as manager of the Clyde Beatty Circus. Moore c h a r g e d Stevens had threatened and slandered him and alleges Stevens had said he would "ruin the Beatty show." Moore asked for an injunction to prevent Stevens from carrying out the alleged threats. One such action, unrelated to the threats.

# Speed Round-Up

(Continued from page 45) URA champion, has not yet an-nounced which group he will be allied with this season.

allied with this season. Thru their transfer, these drivers will move into competition here against such veteran BCRA drivers as Fred Agabashian, 1946 and 1947 champion; Jerry Piper, Woody Brown, Ed Normi, Norman Holtkamp, Johnny Soares, Frank Cavanaugh, Fred Fri-day, Eddie Bennett, Eddie Wendt Johnny Smith and Marvin Burke.

#### **Gordon Reid Scores**

CULVER CITY, Calif. — Gordon Reid won the feature 100-lap midget auto race at the Speedway here Sun-day (4) before 8,234 persons. Manuel Ayulo, Danny Oakes and Bob Pan-kratz trailed in that order.

#### Ward Saugus Winner

SAUGUS, Calif.-Roger Ward wor the 50-lap midget auto race feature at Bonelli Stadium here Sunday (4) be-fore 4,932 paid admissions. Gib Lilly and Bill Brereton finished second and third respectively. Burton Stickler whose car did a flip during the pre-unalifying warm-ups was taken for whose car did a hip during the pie-qualifying warm-ups, was taken to the hospital with a possible skul fracture. Accident occurred during the main event. Semi-main went to Frank Brewer, while Doug Grove nabbed the trophy dash.

#### Gardena Results

Gardena Results GARDENA, Calif.—Jay Frank, loca hot-rod driver, snared his first main event of the season Sunday (4) a Carrell Speedway here in the 25-lap roadster race. A paid attendance to taled 5,232. He was trailed to the wire by Lou Figaro and Don Free-land. Dempsey Wilson won the semi-main and Roy Prosser took the trophy dash. Heat winners were Bil Anderson, Puffy Puffer, Yam Oka and Anderson, Puffy Puffer, Yam Oka and Leroy Nooks.

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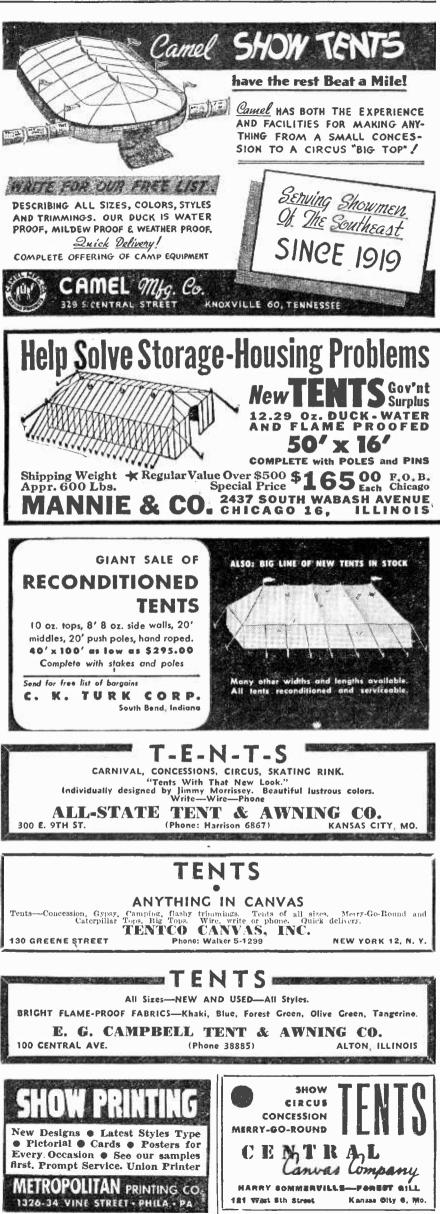
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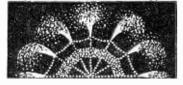


# Larry Griswold Says Play Is Copied, Sues N. Kahler, Ed Jones MINNEAPOLIS, April 10.-A \$5,-000 damage suit against F. W. (Nick) Kahler, Northwest Sportsmen's Show

operator, and Ed Jones, Chicago diver, has been started in Hennepin County District Court here by Larry Gris-wold, Cedar Rapids, Ia., diver and trampoline performer.



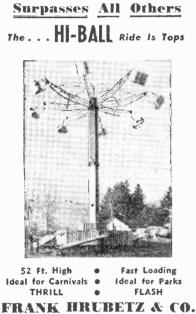
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that many people you got money, I mat many people you got money, I made up my mind to go to Brussels for 1935 and '37," Harry said. This was the beginning of nearly five years in Europe during which Harry sweated out the depression in this country and made money to boot.

Lloyd's Insures Take

Lloyd's Insures Take In 1937 Harry built a Coaster across the street from Napoleon's Tomb as part of the Paris Exposition. His arrival in Paris coincided with the advent of the sit-down strike. To guard against as many eventuali-ties as possible, Harry says, "We got Lloyd's of London to guarantee that the Coaster would gross \$187,500. Because of strikes, the exposition couldn't open on schedule and we didn't get operating until June 20 indidn't get operating until June 20 in-stead of May 1 as planned. As a re-sult we didn't get the gross and Lloyd's paid \$30,000 to make up the difference. The premium cost \$10,000.

"When we built a Coaster at the New York World's Fair, Lloyd's wanted to insure the gross of that ride, too, but they upped their pre-mium to \$20,000. We decided against the insurance. If we hadn't, Lloyd's would have won, as we grossed \$256,000."

#### Russian Parks Drab

While in France Harry took time while in France Harry took time out for a jaunt to Russia. The ex-perience forestalled any future pos-sible leaning toward Communism. The funspots appropriated by the government were all called "the park of culture and rest." All park units were in place long before the revolution.

tion. A former top customer on the Traver books was one Richard Mein-hardt, owner-operator of Angol Park in Budapest, Hungary. A recent let-ter told of the Communists taking over both his park and home, leaving him nearly impoverished whereas he formerly had how well to do formerly had been well to do.

Harry resided in England, Belgium and France for long periods and traveled extensively thru Holland, Ger-many, Hungary and Czechoslovakia. American companions in Europe in-cluded Lew Dufour, Joe Rogers, Charlie Page, Walter K. Sibley and

Charlie Page, Walter K. Sibley and Doc Shean. A big Coaster he built at Man-chester, England, cost as much as it would in America. This was sur-prising to Harry, altho he soon rea-soned the cause for much of the ex-pense involved. He put it this way: "The Englishman has tea in bed, tea for breakfast, tea at 10 o'clock, tea at noon, tea at 4 p.m., tea at dinner and tea again before bed. Any time tea time conflicts with working hours it means a loss of at least a half hour to the employer. Translated in terms of dozens of workmen, it meant huge losses, even tho car-penters were paid only a shilling an hour." hour.'

#### Foreign Market Dormant

Foreign Market Dormant The foreign market still holds a full measure of allure for Harry. "But," he mildly complains, "the sale of units abroad today is not good be-cause of the shortage of American dollars. Operators would like to buy but they can't without money."

but they can't without money." It was while in Paris that Harry perpetrated a gag well remembered by those who attended the 1937 an-nual meeting in Chicago of the Na-tional Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches. He mailed a speech to the late Al Hodge who was then association secretary. An announcement was made that Traver would be heard via short-wave radio would be heard via short-wave radio from Paris. Walter K. Sibley, a crony, now executive secretary of

the National Showmen's Association, was secreted in the balcony with a microphone and it was he who gave the talk. The illusion worked so well that R. S. Uzzell, a school mate of Travers, was convinced of its authenticity.

authenticity. The New York World's Fair, like all other internationally famous ex-positions in his lifetime, attracted Harry and he built on the Flushing Meadows a Coaster, Midget Auto Ride, Laffland and Laff in the Dark. But the largest of all al fresco doing was, he remembers, "A little too big and a little too expensive.'

#### **Elected** President

He was elected president of the concessionaires' association at the fair and was presented with an appro-

and was presented with an appro-priately engraved pocket watch which he always carries. The best ride he ever built was a double-track racing Coaster at the pier at Long Beach, Calif., Harry says. In 1946 the ride carried 1,400,-000 passengers. The fare was 25 cents with prevides 20 cents and added 000 passengers. The fare was 25 cents, with re-rides 20 cents and added up to a gross of more than \$300,000. This Harry termed a record all-time take for a Coaster. The net profits in 1946 added up to more than 100 per cent of the original cost in 1931.

The ride business is good, Harry reports. "I sold 34 rides in three months this year, many of them to people who didn't know me."

He has been concentrating on the sale of his Buggy Ride and the Lucas Sailboat Ride, both of which will greatly appeal to youngsters because of their realism, he says. He aban-doned the building of big units following the war because of govern-ment restrictions.

#### **Praises Carnival Folk**

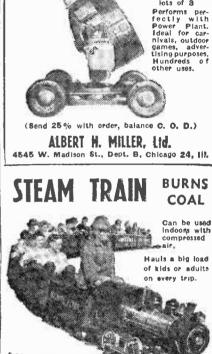
Praises Carnival Folk The mention of a mailing list con-taining 600 names, divided equally between park and carnival oper-ators, prompted the remark that car-nival people are "the best hearted people in the world, possibly because of the tough experiences many of them have been thru." During the war Harry quit his business and associated himself with Columbia University designing secret

Columbia University designing secret weapons for the navy. For this con-tribution he received a gold medal from the navy and a bronze plaque from Columbia.

from Columbia. George A. Hamid, head of the New York booking office bearing his name, guaranteed the worth-whileness of a Traver unit, the Tum-ble Bug, purchased for \$12,000 in 1927. In 1946 the ride grossed \$16,-000. The gross fell to \$12,000 last year but only because of the weather. That ride has paid for all of George Jr.'s education. Jr.'s education.

Jr.'s education. Hard Work Success Key Harry says that whatever success he has had is due to working 25 hours a day and an eight-day week. When he translates it into 45 years he ad-mits being a bit jealous of John D. Rockefeller who, he says, made a billion dollars in a similar period. Even with such a busy schedule he has acquired "one wife and four chil-dren, all boys, and the youngest of whom recently received an appoint-ment to Annapolis." Harry expects to live a long time. He has his tenure doped out this way. "My father lived to buy his first Ford

He has his tenure doped out this way. "My father lived to buy his first Ford at 84. If I can live 16 years longer I'll be 100." Harry figures he can make it with-out too much trouble if he sticks to his rule of sitting down when tired and eating when hungry. Reminiscing, Harry says: "If I hadn't seen the sea gulls, I don't know what I would have done in my lifetime, You see you have ambitions



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**Beatty Plays to Record Crowds During L. A. Stand** 

LOS ANGELES, April 10.-Continuing the winning streak in its South-LOS ANGELES, April 10.—Continuing the winning streak in its South-ern California tour, Clyde Beatty, who closes here tonight, set a record of four performances in a day Saturday (3). Three of the shows were turn-aways. The Beatty org followed with a thumping turnout Sunday and gave three shows, all turnaways. Monday (5) brought a three-quarter matinee house and another turnaway of about 500 at night. This, too, constitutes some sort of record for Los Angeles, as veteran circus men declare they hever before have experience a Monday night turnaway here, especially when a reinform was impending t

when a rainstorm was impending. The storm broke after the perform-ance started but subsided by the ime the show was out. Tuesday the crowds still came and t was necessary to give three shows

igain. The matinee was a turnaway. Fwo evening performances found a ull big top at each show. Wednes-lay (7) matinee yielded another full iouse.

Only accident to occur happened Saturday when Frank Doyle, doing its heel-and-toe catch above the cener ring, was hit on the head by a bar which came loose from the flying act igging. Doyle made his way to the round under his own power and was emoved to the hospital where 13 titches were taken in his scalp. He vill be out of the act for about a eek.

Much credit for success of the local tand is given to the press and radio epartments which have been pluging away day after day. Radio and elevision coverage has been exceed-See Beatty Pulls in L. A. on page 93)

# H-M Sets New Records for **Buffalo Date**

BUFFALO, April 10 .- All attendy the Hamid-Morton Circus during s 14th annual appearance here ends 14th annual appearance here end-ig Sunday (4). Col. Robert Morton, o-owner, reported that there were irnaways on each of the three final ays and that the estimated attend-nce topped 130,000, including some 5,000 underprivileged children from 0 adjacent cities who were guested y the sponsoring Ismalia Shrine emple. emple.

Morton also announced that his low had been granted the contract or 1949. Prompt inking of the outract was probably due in part to ontract was probably due in part to the show presented here, which was athusiastically received by the press and public. Solid advance publicity, lus many new acts seen here for the rst time, largely accounted for the access of the date. Ducats were riced at 50 cents to \$3. Henry P. Bronkie was again di-actor-general of the circus. Roberto Zacchini, who broke his eck on opening night when he was not from the twin cannon, is re-orted making good progress at eaconess Hospital here.

#### -B Laborer Accidentally Killed Near Florence, S. C.

**FLORENCE, S. C., April 10.**— Clif-m William, 21, Negro employee of ingling-Barnum, was accidentally illed near here Thursday (1) when was crushed between a circus agon and the side of a train flatcar which he was riding and on which wagon was being carried. The mishap occurred about three

The mishap occurred about three iles south of here as the show was t route to New York.



Acts, Personnel Announced

CHICAGO, April 10.—Acts and key personnel in the Barnes Bros.' Circus, to be presented in the Chicago Stadium starting Friday (16) and continuing thru May 2, were an-nounced here today by Sam J. Levy. Edmundo Zacchini's double can-non act and Aida, the Girl in the Moon, will comprise the more spec-tacular features on the bill. The Zacchini act was not presented in the show here last year; Aida was. Other acts will be the Great Arturo and Hedy, high-wire comedy; the Flying Valentines, Flying Romas, the Flying Zacchinis, the Heerdincks, Johnson and Owen, and the Three D's, bar acts; the Loyal Repensky Troupe, riding act; Captain Heyer and Starless Night, high school horse; Terrell Jacobs, wild animal act; Three Barretts, aerial novelty; Elly Ardelty, trapeze; Lynn and Lind, aerial dancing; Ethel D'Arcy, trapeze;

Davenport Grosses Four Operas **18G** at Sioux Falls

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., April 10.-Orrin Davenport's Circus grossed an estimated \$18,000 in attracting 32,000 customers to the Sioux Falls Coli-seum for El Riad Shrine Temple during the six-day stand here, March 29 to April 3.

This represented a 23 per cent increase over the 1947 attendance figure of 26,000. It was the seventh and most successful of the Shrine indoor shows here.

Show drew good local publicity. Civic clubs were hosts to several of the acts during the week.

Wirth Draws 68,000 At Syracuse Stand SYRACUSE, April 10. — Frank Wirth's Shrine Circus at the Jeffer-son Street Armory wound up its 10-day run Wednesday (7) night by playing to a straw house. Boosting the gate for the final per-

formance was the group attendance of a party of nearly 3,800 employees of the Carrier Corporation and mem-bers of their families. Total attendance for the run was 68,000.

Bill Buschbom's Liberty horses: Bill Buschbom's Liberty horses; Woolford's dachshunds, Loyal's dogs; Happy Harrison's Circus, dogs and ponies; Wong Troupe and Chee Hein Troupe, both acrobatic-contortionist acts; Regini, juggler: Lang Troupe, Seven Ervings and the Seven Bran-nocks, all teeterboard acts, and the Barnes Bros.' elephants.

Clown alley personnel will be Billy Rice, Happy Kellenis, Hop Green, Van Wells, Snell Brothers, Lindsey Wilson, Roy Barrett, Whitey Harris, Joe Coyle, Al Ackerman, Ted Tosky, Percy Rademaker, Joe Ambrose, Les-ter Landrus and Company, and the Bakers.

# **Open This Wk.** Dailey in 1,200-mile jump

for bow at Paducah-Cole in 3-dayer at Louisville

CHICAGO, April 10.—In spring a young man's fancy turns to love and, they say, that's a sure sign of spring. The circus follower will tell you, however, that a surer sign of spring is when the circus hits the road. If spring is ever to arrive, next week should be the time because no less than four shows, two of them railroad, raise their big tops skyward.

railroad, raise their big tops skyward. A fifth, King Bros., opens today. True, the Greatest Show on Earth, Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey,

True, the Greatest Show on Earth, Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey, got its season off to a start this week when it opened in Madison Square Garden Wednesday (7) and the Clyde Beatty show already has made its bow for the season. They were the early birds, the gun jump-ers, so to speak, but next week finds the real opening of the circus season. Set for openings next week are two railroad shows, Dailey and Cole. Truck shows bowing include James M. Cole and Mills Bros. Of those opening next week, the prize for the biggest jump from win-ter quarters goes to the Dailey org. Ben Davenport's opera jumps from Gonzales, Tex., to Paducah, Ky., for its opening Monday (12), a distance of 1,200 miles. With the railroad situation what it is, Davenport and his general agent, R. M. Harvey, started the show on its travel early. The show train left Gonzales Tuesday (6) traveling by Diasel over the (6), traveling by Diesel over the Swithern Pacific and Illinois Central. The Dailey route, following the (See BIG TOPS GO UP on page 55)

# **Columbus Draws** 7,500 in 4 Days

#### Don McCullough produces and stages Achbar Grotto **Circus** at fairgrounds

and stages Actimar Grotto Circus at fairgrounds COLUMBUS, O., April 10.—The Achbar Grotto Circus, produced and staged by Don McCullough, which opened in the Coliseum at the State fairgrounds here Monday (5) and closes tonight, drew a total of 7,500 admissions thru Thursday night, ac-cording to William Fiel, chairman. Staff, in addition to McCullough, includes George W. Pughe and Archie Gayer, promotional directors; Ray B. Dean, publicity director, and Frank Cervone, musical directors; Ray B. Dean, publicity director, and Frank Cervone, musical directors. Display 1—Archebar Grotto Circus Band. Display 2—Elephants. Display 3—Joe Franklin and Company and LaSalle, gymnasts and acro-bats. Display 4—Terrell Jacobs, wild animals. Display 5—The Downies, aerial. Display 6— Harrison Duo and the St. Clair Sisters and O'Day, cyclists. Display 7—Clowns. Display 8—Paul Nelson and his horses. Display 9— Miss Vilette, Eric the Great and Miss Yvonne, high act. Display 10—Clowns. Display 91— Seven International Brannocks, acrobats. Dis-play 13—Clowns. Display 15—Princess Musetta, trapeze. Display 16—Loyal Repensky Family, riding act. Display 16—Clowas. Display 18—Star Dusters, aerial. Display 19—Senor Louis Velarde, bounding rope. Display 20— Clowns. Display 21—Elephants, presented by Ruth Nelson. Display 22—Clowns. Display 23—Flying Romas.

# **R-B Blends Old With New: Bow Presages Garden Click**

(Continued from page 47) available in this country. He holds one of the four solo spots in the show.

Behees Win Big Hand

Old-timers Clayton and Rose Behee and Clayton's brother, Bob, appear-ing with the Comets, Brontes and Artony's in a flying act display, easily drew the most applause next to the Alzanas. Clayton did a breath-taking two and one-half to Bob, and on his return Rose soared over him in another spectacular leap. All aerialists wore yellow tights.

The feature spec, 'Twas the Night Before Christmas, was colorful, elab-orate and lengthy and will assuredly win favor with young and old. The most elaborate float was one depictmost elaborate float was one depict-ing Noah's Ark which contained ani-mated figures. Scrooge, Tiny Tim, Louisa May Alcott's Little Women characters, a giant snow man and some improvised reindeer (ponies with prop antlers), plus Santa Claus, accounted for some authentic atmos-phore A propr group foll was used

formed one of the most striking pa-rade groups. The playing of Adeste rade groups. The playing of Adeste Fidelis struck an unusual but not dis-cordant note.

The Monte Carlo Aerial Ballet, di-The Monte Carlo Aerial Ballet, di-rected by Barbette, and featuring Chrysis De La Grange, was on a par with the fine group aerial displays originated by Barbette for the past several seasons. The approximately 26 give were attined in attractionary 36 girls were attired in attractive red and black costumes and performed on webs, revolving ladders and trapezes.

#### **Ringling Horses Displayed**

The spec *Dixie* featured the Ring-ling thorobred horses, sparkling equipage and southern belles as well as the high school horses and a group of equestriennes riding side saddle.

The finale, The Circus Ball, featuring 18 performing bulls, attired in costumes resembling dress suits and gowns, in three rings and the entire herd on the track for the traditional long mount. Outstanding were Modoc accounted for some authentic atmos-phere. A paper snow fall was used here effectively. Girls wearing ele-gant head dresses resembling can-delabra, complete with lighted bulbs,

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# DRESSING ROOM GOSSIP

The Billboard

#### **Clyde Beatty**

Television, klieg lights and a host of celebrities inaugurated our Los Angeles engagement to make it one of the finest openings any show ever has experienced at Washington and Hill streets. Among movie stars at-tending our premiere were Red Skelnin streets. Among movie stars at-tending our premiere were Red Skel-ton, who even rode an elephant in spec; Kathy O'Donnell, who did like-wise; Charles Coburn, William Ben-dix, Pat O'Brien, Eddie (Archie) Gardner, Joan Crawford, John Car-roll, Don Ameche, Dick Foran, Charles Korvin, Florence Bates; Jimmy Fidler, Hollywood columnist; Van Heflin, Rod O'Conner, Art Link-letter, Spencer Tracy, Donna Reed, Jane Powell, Ella Raines, Greer Gar-son, King Vidor, Joseph Cotton, Nel-son Pringle, Marjorie Main, Dana Andrews, Richard Conte, Melvyn Douglas, Dan Duryea, Paul Henreid, Charles LeMaire, Frank Whitbeck, Susan Peters, J. Carroll Naish, Ann Miller, Johnny Strong, Phil Harris and Harry James. Seventeen members of the Clarke

Seventeen members of the Clarke and Hanneford families congregated one evening to enjoy the performance one evening to enjoy the performance of the George Hanneford Riding Act and also to celebrate birthday of George Sr. Ernestine and Parley Bear were hosts at a party in his honor at their North Hollywood home. Donna Cameron was among the guests the guests. Huey Curtiss and his clowns helped

enlarge clown alley to 25 for L. A. Others are Art LaRue, Bernie Griggs and Carl Waddell. Jack Carson did his part, too, with an application of make-up by Mark Anthony. Junior Dix wishes to inform old man Reyn-olds that he is now a lieutenant of olds that he is now a lieutenant of the junior fire department around these California parts. Frank Doyle was hospitalized with (See CLYDE BEATTY on page 95)



#### Garden Bros.

The gala opening of our big indoor circus at the Canadian National Ex-hibition arena in Toronto, 'mid green and red sawdust, proved a bigger success than the Garden brothers, Bill and Bob, and our sponsors, the Lions Club, even dared hoped. The press and radio went all out, giving us

and radio went all out, giving us plenty of space and time. The controversy of little Shirley's age and whether she should work on the high wire, plus the escape of Sheba, Gladys Gillum's lioness, at the opening performance, helped keep us on the funct page and in the public on the front page and in the public

eye the entire engagement. The Lions Club, with Orval Wyckoff as chief host, royally enter-tained us thruout the week. Closing tained us thruout the week. Closing night a party to climax all parties was enjoyed by the entire personnel. The three new acts just

The three new acts just imported from Europe are really scoring. These are the Rollinis, with a clever equilibristic novelty act; Agab, the (See GARDEN BROS. on page 95)

#### Davenport - Wright

The 15th week and the goose hangs high. Not exactly the Christmas variety but the goose that hangs high in the cookhouse of Cole Bros. A number of the boys and girls take off for Louisville, where, for the next 30 weeks or more, they will enjoy the delights of George Davis's cook-

ing, with food furnished with the compliments of Zack Terrell. Our indoor winter troupe will be minus 19 Cristianis, two Thomases, two Freemans, one Griebling, one Castle, one Bagonghi, one Comstock and one Fachini

and one Fachini. Down memory lane. Few folks realize that Edwardo Dominic Fa-chini, head groom and veterinarian of the Cristiani horses, was at one time conductor of symphonic orchestras in his native Italy. That Bagonghi, midget, is known officially on his birth certificate as Giovanni Baptisti Gallisolli Bagonghi. After a whirlwind finish in Sioux Falls, S. D., Orrin Davenport loaned his vaude Orrin Davenport loaned his vaude troupe to Rink Wright, for his stand in Omaha and we found ourselves playing day and date with Stassen, Dewey and Taft. Augmenting the Sioux Falls troupe in Omaha were Mr. and Mrs. Vern Orton and their (See Davenport-Wright on page 95)

#### **Polack Bros. Western**

Otto Berosini celebrated his 21st birthday April 1. The occasion was celebrated by the entire personnel at a party given by the Berosini family. Count Ernie Wiswell also marked his birthday but we're positive it wasn't his 21st. Ed Raymond's "Rocket"

his 21st. Ed Raymond's "Rocket" brought the show into Indianapolis six hours late but in time to take part in a parade thru the city streets. "What happened to the web sitters' clown suits?" is the question on the lips of Betty Bell, Mildred Keathley and Freida Wiswell who spent an entire day at the sewing machines making new ones. Vicky Berosini made her debut in the web number

making new ones. Vicky Berosini made her debut in the web number after the opening day. Justus Edwards, publicity man, set a new record for the show with seven radio interviews in one day. Per-formers taking part were Jack Klein, Don Dorsey, Betty Bell, Harry Dann, Josephine Berosini, Dwight Moore and the writer. The following day Slivers Madison and the three MGM elephants were interviewed by the (See Polack Bros.' West on page 94)

Fred W. Schlotzhauer, CFA mem-ber from Oquawka, Ill., is still con-fined in Mercy Hospital, Burlington, Ia., by a heart ailment. He is faced with a lengthy convalescence and would like to hear from friends.

## **Polack Bros.' Eastern**

The mountainous terrain between Madison, Wis., and Clarksburg, W Va., discouraged many of the person nel from taking their trailers. Th Malikovas reported visiting the othe Malikovas reported visiting the othe unit in Kalamazoo. Mich., whil many of the other folks visited in Chicago during the layoff. The los of topcoats is becoming a habit. Terry Peers is the latest to join the lost topcoat brigade. He lost his in Chicago restaurant.

Folks are still talking about th party Sverre Braathen, circus far gave in Madison. Another circus far on hand in Madison was Bob Zim merman.

Lansing, Mich., was tough an Madison was no picnic but Clarks burg rang the bell. The auditoriur was only 18 feet to the girders an all acts were ground acts there.

all acts were ground acts there. Bill Green is doing a socko job is the press department. He had prace tically the entire show on the air i Lansing. During the first night show there, Emil Pallenberg provided u with plenty of thrills when he am-Fu staged a battle royal. During th (See Polack Bros.' East on page 95



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# Ringling-Barnum '48 Program

staged by John Murray Anderson, de- ing of last year. signed by Miles White. General director, Pat Valdo; choregraphy, Esther Junger; art director, Thomas Farrar; aerial director, Vander Barbette; musical director, Merle Evans; technical director, Robert Barnhart; assistant to White, Frank Thompson. Special music and arrangements, Henry Sullivan, assisted by Sammy Grossman.

#### Acknowledgments

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#### Program

Running order of the program rather confused on opening night due largely to the tremendous amount of new type of equipment, such as the steel-mesh animal cages being used this year for the first time, and also to the fact that rehearsals were retarded thru inability to take over the Madison Square Garden arena until after the hockey game Sunday (4) night. Running order has been tightened up since the premiere and is set for the New York run as follows:

#### Display 1

Cats and polar bears, highlighted by use of novel steel chain mesh cages which give the audience practically an unobstructed view of the animals. Rudolph Mathies's beautiful tigers occupy the center ring, while Damoo Dhotre's mixed cat group and Konzelman's polar bears, both holdovers, hold down the end rings. All three acts are okay, but most action is in Dhotre's cage.

Display 2 Natal in his novel "monkey" stunt held over from last year and still going strong.

#### Display 3

Old - fashioned leapers. Mixed troupe, with one of the Cristianis and some of the Boginos boys, dubbed as the Ugos. Climax is leap over five elephants by Ugo Bogino.

#### Display 4

Display 4 Medley. Joanides, two boys in neat juggling routines on slack wire and perch. Three Goetchis, good unicycle trio. Zavattas (Italian) (2), one of whom is a member of the Zoppe Riding Act in a bounding rope bit. Zavattas (Spanish), two men, two fems, in neat bike act. Lola Dobritch. holdover, in excellent tight-wire act.

#### **Display** 5

Clowns in rocket gag.

#### Display 6

Bareback riding, topped by the Jus-tino Loyal Troupe in center ring. Loyal, assisted by Cristiani, is a standout, climaxing his riding by somersaulting from horse to horse thru a hoop with his ankles tied. thru a hoop with his ankles tied. Five girls with Loyal are also tops. The Riding Zoppes, two men, two fems and a pint-sized midget, billed as Cucciola, were imported from Italy. Riders do little and score principally thru corny comedy bits with the midget. The two Bostock boys and
cellent. Display 20 Clown walkaround. Display 21 Equestrian spec, Dixie and high-school horses. Cilly Feindt arrived midget. The two Bostock boys and

Produced by John Ringling North, | Marion Seifert repeat their neat rid-

#### Display 7

Aerial medley. Al Powell and Ira Millette are standouts despite no chance for rehearsals. Newcomers who clicked were the two Mandos Sisters in nicely presented novelty. Trisco, new, presented head balanc-ing on trapeze but was jittery at open-ing. Miss Zoppe was billed but failed to show.

#### Display 8

Spec, Night Before Christmas, is not as spectacular as preceding fea-ture specs but has some fine bits and clicks. Emmett Kelly and Natal play bits in this spec.

#### Display 9

Rose Gould, last year's aerial hit. Opening night she was unable to do Opening night she was unable to do her complete act as part of her rig-ging had been dislodged by a preced-ing act. Showed her usual good form and a bit of fiery temperament which was enjoyed by those who caught it.

#### Display 10 Clown walkaround.

Display 11

Juggling. Standout is an importa-Juggling. Standout is an importa-tion from Europe, Francis Brunn, who romps thru a medley of club, ball and hoop juggling at a dizzy pace, cli-maxed by getting 10 hoops in the air. Holdovers from last year are the Four Chiesas in good club juggling, and the Perezoffs and Rolando, three, in comedy juggling.

#### Display 12

Aerial spec, Monte Carlo. Vander Barbette deserves credit for hurdling innumerable obstacles in getting 36 and revolving ladders. Chrysis De La Grange is spotted over center ring in a cloud swing.

#### Display 13 Clown walkaround.

#### **Display** 14

Liberty horses. Three new groups of beautiful horses which unfortu-nately were given practically no time for rehearsals at the Garden. Mroczkowski handles 11 horses, one out thru injury, in center ring while his Gena Lipkowska, does a good job with 12 in one end ring and Louis Gautier and wife with 12 at the other end.

#### **Display** 15 Clown walkaround.

#### **Display** 16

Medley. Unus, imported from Eu-rope, in novel balancing stunts, holds center ring. Los Onas, two men and a fem, in tricky perch act. Two Rosali Sisters, replacing the Reves, offer a neat and unusual perch act.

#### Display 17

Trained animals, all good, include Naitto's dogs, Guere's sea lions, Chris-tian's dogs (not at opening but ar-rived from Europe in time to appear Friday (9) for first time), Eldridge's chimpanzees and Bostock's mules and dogs.

**Display** 18 Clown walkaround.

**Display 19** Flying trapeze. Flying Behees (Clayton, Rose and Bob), in top form, were outstanding. Three of Art Con-cello's acts, the Flying Comets, Flying Broats and Flying Artonys work of Bronts and Flying Artonys, were excellent.

the opening. Has striking personality and a beautiful white horse. Claude Valois also is a good looker and rider. Jose Moeser spoils his number by corny make-up. Trio solve top bill-ing problem by each taking a turn in the center ring. the center ring.

Display 22

Alberty, imported and given a big build-up, presents a very modest swaying-pole bit.

## Display 23

Tumbling—Rechellis, Robenis, Ming Sing Stars (imported), Asia Boys, Boginos and Romanis. All are stand-ard acts with a few individual tum-blers, impossible to single out, par-ticularly good ticularly good.

#### Display 24

Clown gag, Westward Whoa. A good idea which laid an egg, probably due to insufficient time for rehearsals. Display 25

The Alzanas. Harold is more daring than ever on the high wire and show-ing improved showmanship. Working ing improved showmanship. Working with wife and sister and still a showstop.

#### **Display 26**

Lou Jacobs in a definitely good miniature auto gag. He missed the opening night due to being spotted too soon after another clown number, which didn't allow sufficient time to get his buzz wagon warmed up.

#### Display 27

Finale. The Circus Ball is an outstanding spec with at least 18 ele-phants out of the 36, or more, actually being put thru good routines. Trainer Hugo Schmidt, his assistants and the girls working with the bulls rate bows.

#### Clowns

Clowns Emmett Kelly, Paul Jung, Myron Orton, Prince Paul, Bob Nelson, Frank (Dutch) Luley, Paul Jerome, Lou Jacobs, Jack Le Claire, Toby Joris, Joe Gieger, Chesty Mortier, Felix Adler, Edwin Green; Arthur W. Cooksey, mail man; Louie Nagy, Marcelle Wolthing, Freddie Wolthing, Henry Bedow, Jinmie Armstrong, Eddie Buresh; Lulu (Louise Adams), British fem clown; Paul Wenzel, Johnny Tripp, Carl Stephan, Jackie Gerlich, Clayton Chase, Buzzie Potts, Harry Nelson, John Nelson, Sandor Roka, Arnie (Red) Honkola, John J. Reilly, Homer Goddard, George Wong, Frankie Saluto (Rabbit King), Charlie Bell, Bill Hanlon, Fred Hanlon, Rose Bell, Bill Hanlon, Fred Hanlon, Rose Hanlon, Ernie Burch, Paul Hormys, Adolf Frohm, Bill Ballantine, Bob Kellogg, Arthur Burson, Jerry Bangs, Bruno Bogino, Fred Canestrelli, Renzo Rechelli, Danny Mee.

Credit band leader Merle Evans

Credit band leader Merle Evans and his boys with a bang-up job on the strenuous musical score. Also rating a bow is Bill Tabbett, who did a swell job on the vocal numbers. Anyone who witnessed the diffi-culties that seemed to pile up end-lessly during the Garden rehearsals would agree that a special award for patience and show spirit is due every-one from Pat Valdo down. Program will be down to 24 or 25 displays thru elimination of clown

displays thru elimination of clown walkarounds, some of which have been shoved in until setting of some of the big numbers hits a faster tempo.

#### **BIG TOPS GO UP**

(Continued from page 53) one-day stand at Paducah, lines up like this: Hopkinsville, April 13; Central City, Ky., April 14; Spring-field, Tenn., April 15; Clarksville, Tenn., April 16; Bowling Green, Ky., April 17, and Glasgow, Ky., April 18. Cole Bros., which winters at the fairgrounds in Louisville will bow before the home folks Thursday (15) at Louisville for a three-day stand

## No Payments in 1948 For R-B Fire Victims

HARTFORD, Conn., April 10.—At-torney Robert P. Butler, speaking at the annual meeting of the Hartford the annual meeting of the Hartford County Bar Association Friday (2) which elected him president, declared that victims of the Hartford 1944 circus fire will not receive dividends this year. He said, "Net profits from the circus last year would not war-rant a dividend for the claimants. Altho the circus did a big gross busi-ness, the increased cost of operation ness, the increased cost of operation

cut the net earnings." Attorney Butler, reporting for the bar committee on the claims against the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, said that "the antici-pated rollback in taxes, not yet re-ceived, will possibly enable the receiver to make payment to the claim-ants." He added that since last De-cember unpaid claims have been

drawing 4 per cent interest. He said he was "hopeful" that within a year the circus may be able to borrow money at a lower interest rate.

#### Stafford Joins Mills as P.A.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Fred Staf-ford resigned last week as sports editor of The White Plains (N. Y.) Report Dispatch to join the press staff of Mills Bros.' Circus. He is now in Indiana on the advance.

Cole org. Its opening is scheduled Monday (12) at Sunbury, Pa. Mills Bros. has set Saturday (17) as the date for its bow, with Circleville, O., its home base, as the site.

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# **Citizens Seek Eastwood Ban**

#### 300 persons ask Detroit city council not to renew license of funspot

DETROIT, April 10. - Some 300 citizens attended the East Detroit City Council meeting here March 29 and requested that the council refuse to renew the license of Eastwood Park. Eight-Mile Road, is owned by Max B. Kerner and Henry Wagner.

The citizens who have been circu-lating petitions requesting the refusal of a license to Eastwood Park de-scribed the park as "a noisy nuisance and so insanitary that it breeds rats." They pointed out, too, that the park's owners have paid fines for permitting gambling. After three hours of bickering, the

After three hours of blckering, the meeting broke up with no action be-cause the city council lacked a quorum. Mayor Harry W. McMillan promised the group no action would be taken on the license renewal prior to a special council meeting April 15



Science

# Sitting 'Round the Table

(Editor's Note: The present question is "Do you believe a child nursery is a worth-while idea for your park?" Have you sent in your comments? If not, now is the time to get them in before another question is put into the hopper. Just address your communications to the Outdoor Editor, The Billboard, 155 North Clark Street, Chicago 1.)

A No Vote

A No Vote I don't think a child nursery is worth-while for my park because we have only a small picnic area, dance hall and roller skating rink. If the park was bigger, with steady patron-age thruout the week, I think a good, clean, well-run nursery would be worth-while and a very good accom-modation for the public.—M. G. SI-MONDS, Green Bay, Wis.

#### Not Large Enough

I do not think our park is large enough to warrant the expense of a child nursery.—FRED W. SEARLE, Suburban Park, Manlius, N. Y.

Another No Vote

Frankly, I do not think a child nursery would be a worth-while ad-dition to the park business, because first of all it would only be an ex-pense and profit nothing. Secondly, I don't believe many methods would don't believe many mothers would

leave their children while they were out amusing themselves

out amusing themselves. Rather, I would say, let us make an addition of a lounge room, with plenty of room, where every mother could take her child to care for its various wants. This, I am sure, would be better than a small nursery.—CHIC BELL, Benton Harbor, Mich.

**Pleasure Beach Bow** Slated for May 30; 30G in 2 New Rides

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., April 10.-Pleasure Beach Amusement Park, municipally operated, will open May 30. Two new rides, a Tilt-a-Whirl and Bubble Bounce, have been installed at a reported total cost of \$30,500.

The city-owned ferry boat, The Brinckerhoff, will again ply between Bridgeport and the park which can also be reached by bus and private car. Excursions also will be run from New York City by boats from either the Mesick or Wilson lines, with

The ballroom again will feature name bands on holidays and Sundays and territorial bands during the week. A water carnival is planned. The Buster Crabbe show has been tentatively booked.

Slusky's Place 100G Policy on Coaster OMAHA, April 10.—Abe and Louis Slusky's Playland Park, located across the Missouri River in Council Bluffs, Ia., has overcome a preliminary legal

snag. As a result of a Council Bluffs city council fuss, the Sluskys posted a \$100,000 liability insurance policy on their Roller Coaster. The coaster to start operation May 30. A Council Bluffs attorney, Roy Smith, had urged the council to in-vestigate the business ability and re-

vestigate the business ability and re-sponsibility of the brothers. He told of accidents at Krug Park, once oper-ated, he said, by the Sluskys. Abe Slusky, president of Playland, how-ever, told the council that Louis Slusky had operated Krug Park in Omaha but that it was after the mishap which Smith was talking about about

#### **Status of Ocean Beach Concesh Op Undecided**

NEW LONDON, Conn., April 10.— Edmund E. Eshenfelder, director of law, has declined to express an opinion on whether Joseph Y. Gloth, concessionaire at the municipally owned Ocean Beach Park, can operowhed Ocean Beach Park, can oper-ate at the park pending the outcome of his injunction suit against the beach board and this city. Suit, re-turnable March 2, will probably come up before the Superior Court some-time in April, according to Eshenfelder. Gloth, accused by the beach board

of falsifying last year's gross income reports, has been charged with being \$8,000 short in payments to the city. He obtained a temporary injunction restraining the board from meeting to consider concelling his contract

consider canceling his contract. Gloth holds that his contract Gloth holds that his contract en-titled him first to a hearing by the board to determine whether he owes the city money and then a 24-hour period in which to pay up and re-deem his contract if he is found to be indebted.

# **Riverside Bow Indicates Big** Season Ahead

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., April 10. Riverside Park drew an estimated 25,000 for its first full day of opera-tion Sunday (4). Park officially opens Saturday night (3) but the temperature was down to 30 degrees

opens Saturday night (3) but the temperature was down to 30 degrees and attendance was small. Sunday, however, loomed clear and warm. Owner Edward J. Carroll stated that early indications, based on week-end business, pointed to a good sea-son. Park policy calls for week-end operation in April with movies, bowling and skating every night. Starting May 1 the park will be open nightly and about mid-June will go into full daily operation. Another pre-opening newspaper advertising "teaser" campaign was used this year with exceptionally good results. Harry Storin, promo-tion-publicity chief, reported that the gag ad, containing scrambled let-ters which when unraveled would spell out "park opens April three," drew over 1,000 entries. The ava-lanche of replies resulted in the man-agement's skedding a special day, Sunday (18), for announcing win-ners. The event is expected to hypo midway biz. ' Local papers Sunday (3) gave a midway biz.

'Local papers Sunday (3) gave a heavy play to the park's new stadium, heavy play to the park's new stadium, work on which is already under way. Carroll expects to be able to preem the 7,000-seat arena in May. It will be used for midget auto racing and special events of all kinds, including fireworks. A new outdoor dance pa-vilion is being constructed to replace the dismantled ballroom. Carroll's staff at top level remains the same as in previous years. Be-

Carroll's staff at top level remains the same as in previous years. Be-sides Storin it includes Vernon A. Trigger, superintendent; Thomas E. Morrissey, games manager, and Wil-liam E. Stevenson, head cashier.

#### Pop Ludwig Honored Farewell Event At

LONG BEACH, Calif., April 10.-Southern California park men, local city officials and business men turned city officials and business men turned out en masse March 31 to pay trib-ute to H. A. (Pop) Ludwig, re-tiring manager of Virginia Park here. Occasion was a testimonial farewell breakfast given in honor of Ludwig at the Wilton Hotel's Marine Room. More than 100 city officials and amusement zone operators attended the event. Ludwig has been manager of the park for the past 11 years. of the park for the past 11 years. He resigned, effective Thursday (1), and will take a prolonged vacation in Southern California desert resorts

in Southern California desert resorts before getting back in harness. He is considering several park man-agerial offers, it is reported. Ludwig's successor at Virginia Park will be Patrick Murphy, for 12 years manager of the Long Beach municipal auditorium.

municipal auditorium. Those present at the speakers' table at the breakfast included Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Ludwig, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Murphy, Chief of Police Al Slaight, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Foster, Mr. Thomas Lowe, Mrs. Mabel J. Moore, Mr. C. A. H. Narlien and Doug Rhodes of *The Billboard*. Mrs. Moore was mistress of ceremonies. Representatives of many city de-partments and several Southern Cali-fornia park operators were presented

fornia park operators were presented and gave short talks.

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# With the Zoos

Sol A. Stephan, who served as superintendent of the Cincinnati Zoo for 62 years until his retirement in 1937, was the subject of an editorial in the April 3 edition of *The Cincin*nati Enquirer in observance of his 99th birthday. Sol's son, Joseph, is the present superintendent, while his grandson, Dr. Sol G. Stephan is the zoo veterinarian.

R. Marlin Perkins, director of Lincoln Park Zoo, Chicago, is off again on his annual snake hunt in Southern swamplands. Perkins. accompanied by Bert Chambers, head of the repdistrict chauffeur, will visit swamp-lands in Florida, Louisiana and Arkansas.

## **Plan Minny Funspot Near Mount Clemens** DETROIT, April 10.-Plans for a

DETROIT, April 10.—Plans for a new miniature park this season are being made by Louis Popp, owner-manager of the Denmark Tavern. North River Road. Spot is four miles northeast of Mount Clemens, and 25 miles from Detroit, at the mouth of the Clinton River, on Lake St. Clair. Location is in the heart of an im-portant resort area and adjacent to the Selfridge Air Base.

#### **More Naturalistic Pools** For Parks, Perkins Says

MILES CITY, Mont., April 10.-Ralph N. Perkins, Omaha, consult-ing engineer, who is working on five old pools and two new ones for Salt Lake City, said here this week that more naturalistic pools are being built by amusement parks.

"Such pools as a rule are built by individuals to make money," he said. "They have more recreational appeal to a greater number of people and as a consequence are popular and money makers."

Perkins, who is consulting park recreation commissioner\_ and in Omaha, also said that a million dol-lars is being spent on pools and allied recreational facilities there.

#### Va. Beach Ups Restaurant, **Coin Machine License Fees**

NORFOLK, April 10.—New li-censing regulations adopted by the Virginia Beach town council Monday (5) slapped heavy fees on all restau-rants and other eating places having cover charges and on amusement machines NORFOLK, machines

machines. The restaurant license fee was set at \$500, as was the annual fee on amusement machines. In addition, a license fee of \$750 will be levied on persons servicing amusement and music machines plus an additional tax of \$35 for each machine over 40.

#### **Ocean View Operating** Nightly and Week-Ends

NORFOLK, April 10.-Jack Greenspoon's Ocean View Park is operat-ing nightly from Mondays thru Fridays and afternoons and evenings over the week-ends until the regu-

lar summer season gets into full swing. Weather has been favorable the past week and free gate and pre-season reduced prices on rides and attractions are hypoing attendance.

Greyhound Enterprises, Inc., Coney Island, N. Y., makers and operators of the Greyhound Racers, recently opened a new location at Revere Beach, Mass. Other locations are planned at Rocky Point, R. I., and Asbury Park, N. J.

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# Welch To Manage Spot at Salt Lake

SALT LAKE CITY, April 10,-As Beehive Midways Park prepares for the May 29 opening of its second year of operation on Utah State Fair-grounds here President Ken Garff L. Welch, rodeo producer and sports impresario, as the new manager. The park operated last year in connection with the Utah Centennial

nection with the Utah Centennial Celebration. Garff, who believes the park's proximity to Salt Lake City insures its growth, said long-range plans are being made for improvements. He expects 1948 to be a banner year with such attractions as the State fair, Gene Autry rodeo, Water Follies, Spike Jones and His City Slickers and an auto race meet set for the grounds. grounds.

For the past two years Welch was with the Ogden (Utah) Pioneer Days and he has promoted events built around Babe Ruth, Ty Cobb, Jack Dempsey and Max and Buddy Baer.

#### Shriners Buck High Hotel **Rates at Virginia Beach**

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va., April 10.-Because Shriners of the Mid-Atlantic and Southeastern Associations regard and Southeastern Associations regard hotel rates offered as excessive, this resort may lose its biggest 1948 con-vention plum. The Shriners, sched-uled to bring 10,000 delegates and guests here September 7-10, are op-posed to the proposed \$10-\$14 rate per two-person room, European plan. They had offered to pay \$5-\$8 for ac-commodations commodations.

Commodations. Albin R. Mailhes, managing direc-tor of the local Chamber of Com-merce, said the Shriners had sched-uled their meetings too early. He charged that they wanted to use re-sort hotels at commercial rates at a time when sufficient tourists are time when sufficient tourists re-mained at the beach to warrant keeping prices at high summer charges. Winter rates do not start until October 1.

#### New Rainbow Lagoon Planned at Long Beach

LONG BEACH, Calif., April 10.-J. C. Berry, Los Angeles architect, at the request of Werner Ruchti, local planning director, has submitted detailed designs for a proposed new Rainbow Lagoon at the south end of the pike here. Under the new plans, a still-water recreation area will be created, among other features. Also included in the designs are a Also included in the designs are a footbridge, connecting Auditorium Park and the peninsula, a new band shell surrounded by water; a grand-stand for aquatic events, three il-luminated fountains, and parking space for 4.000 cars. space for 4,000 cars.

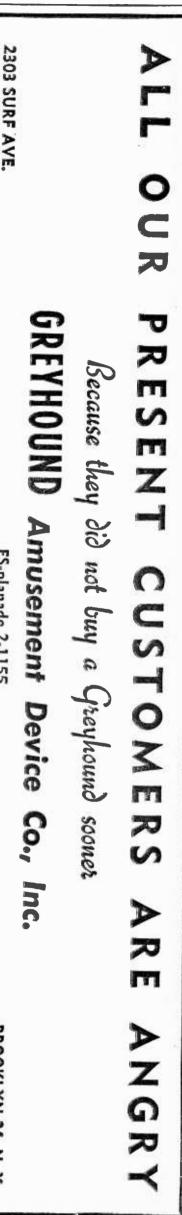
#### Woodside Preems With **Repeat Free Attraction**

PHILADELPHIA, April 10.—Nor-man S. Alexander's Woodside Park opened its 51st season today. All amusements will operate nights and week-ends until May 21 when the park goes into regular daily oper-ation. ation.

ation. Jack Steck will again present his *Kiddies' Hour* in Sylvan Hall every Sunday afternoon. Free concerts will also be presented on Sundays and fireworks on Friday nights.

#### Joyland Bows With New Rides at Wichita, Kan.

WICHITA, Kan., April 10.—Joy-land Amusement Park bowed for week-end operation here Sunday (4). Week-end operation here Sunday (4). Owners Herb and Hal Ottawa sprang with two new rides this year, one a Dodgem, brought in from Lawrence, Mass., and costing \$20,000 and a new steam train for kiddies.



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#### **FAIRS-EXPOSITIONS** Communications to 155 No. Clark St., Chicago 1, Ill

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**For Nite Show** 200-mile auto race set-to

offer lavish exhibits-new look for bldgs., grounds

(Continued from page 46) for various periods. Morgan, for in-stance, is set for the first two nights, while Winninger will participate each night during the expo's first two weeks.

Many Added Features Songs of a Century, to run August 7-20, will offer a new, massive set, built for the occasion. It also will present a 24-voice chorus of all-Wis-consin fem singers and a 12-girl harp chorus, the last also an all-Wisconsin aggregation aggregation. A 24-girl line, composed entirely

of pro dancers recruited from within the State will be offered. In addi-tion, the production will offer a large number of circus and stage acts. Ammon reported that he has closed with Sam J. Levy, president of the Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, to supply these acts, with the budget for acts during the first two weeks set at \$30,000.

#### **Fireworks From Bleachers**

Fireworks From Bleachers To top the grandstand show, not only during the first two weeks but each night of the 23-day run, Am-mon said that he has signed a \$30,000 fireworks contract with Thearle-Duf-field Fireworks Company, Chicago. Show, Ammon said, will be presented from the top of the 50-foot high, steel supported bleachers on the opposite side of the track from the grand-stand. stand.

This innovation in presentation will enable the mounting of tracks upon the bleachers to permit unique mov-ing, set pieces and also permit easier vision of the fireworks from thruout the grounds the grounds.

#### Also Buy B-C Revue

Also Buy B-C Kevue The Barnes-Carruthers office, be-sides supplying \$30,000 in acts the first two weeks, will build that pro-duction, and also will supply its No. 1 fair revue for August 21-27, Am-mon announced. A musical festival will comprise the grandstand night attraction the last two nights of the expo.

Dorothy Hild and Ainslee Lambert. of the B-C office, Ammon disclosed, will train the 24-gal dancing chorus for Songs of a Century. This show (See Wisconsin Centennial, page 78)

# May Day Festival **Officials Look for Crowd of 100,000**

LOS BANOS, Calif., April 10 .--- At least 100,000 people are expected to attend the annual May Day Festival held here April 29-May 2, according to fair officials who are making plans

to fair officials who are making plans to accommodate a record crowd. Feature this year will be three pageants telling the story of Califor-nia during the past century and tying in with the State's centennial cele-bartion program

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# Location, Design of Entrance Vital in Setting Patron's Mood

\_\_\_ By R. J. Pearse, Fair Designer

portant units to design for an entire fair. A well-designed entrance gives the first impression of a fair, just as the entrance or doorway to a house, the entrance or doorway to a house, or the appearance of a person when first seen, is the most important part of an introduction. Some small de-fect in an entrance may cause the same amount of objection as the leaving off of a 50-cent black bow tie from a tuxedo outfit at a reception. The amount is small but the effect is tremendously important. Some fair managers insist that their fairs must be located facing the heaviest traveled highways and that

their fairs must be located facing the heaviest traveled highways and that the main entrances must be on these highways. Most of the reasons for this decision are evident, but when one considers the congestion of traf-fic along a main highway when the fair is in operation and the conges-

# **No-Pass Policy** At Cedar Rapids

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., April 10. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., April 10. — All-Iowa Fair here this week an-nounced a no-pass policy this year and at the same time disclosed plans for an expanded program. Newspaper announcements main-tained that all patrons paying the 25-cent general admission charge will be getting more for their money un-der the no-pass rule.

be getting more for their money un-der the no-pass rule. Expanded program includes the ad-dition of both open class swine and sheep shows and an agricultural-horti-culture department. A building pro-gram adopted March 30 calling for the construction of a new rural youth contor and dormitory will provide center and dormitory will provide space for the new departments.

The fair board is negotiating for the appearance of a helicopter as a special feature of the fair.

# **D.** Moines Eliminates Day of Racing; Subs With Thrill Show

DES MOINES, April 10 .--- The Iowa

DES MOINES, April 10.—The Iowa State Fair will present three days of horse racing and two thrill days, Secretary Lloyd Cunningham an-nounces. The Jimmie Lynch Shows will be offered Saturday and Thurs-day, with horse races, both harness and runners, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Cunningham said. Last year the fair had a single thrill show performance and four days of horse races. A drop in attendance over 1946, when three days of horse races and two of thrill shows. were held, caused the fair to return to two days of thrill shows, it was pointed out. The fair again will have auto races two Fridays and Sunday.

#### Sask. Sponsors Pix Contest

in with the State's century and tying bration program. A livestock show and rodeo also will be a highlight. It will be pre-sented Sunday (2) in the new arena. SASKATOON, Sask., April 10.— Saskatoon Camera Club will sponsor a photo competition, with entries being featured in a display at the Saskatoon Exhibition.

THE CORRECT location and design of the entrance or entrances to a fairgrounds is one of the most im-portant units to design for an entire

#### **Entrance Sets Mood**

A main entrance on a side road a short distance from the main high-way is worthy of much consideration. After the first impression is over and the patron is inside the grounds, then the patron is inside the grounds, then he gives no more immediate thought to the entrance. But if the patron is held up by a traffic jam or by need-less operational bungling, then the patron definitely remembers what happened — and what he noted — at the entrance the entrance.

Naturally too many entrances cause the employment of needless person-nel and the supervision of these same people. The size and number of en-trances naturally depends upon the size of the fair and its attendance.

There are three types of paying guests at a fair. Pedestrian, bus and taxi, and auto traffic. On small fairs all of these may be combined in one or two entrances if the entrances are large enough, and there is no cross-(See Fair Management on page 77)



ST. PAUL, April 10.--Two Cana-dian fair men, W. Williams and George Wardrope, both of Canadian Lakehead Exhibition, Fort William, Ont., attended the short course on fair management here this week.

Included among the out-of-State registrants at the course Monday and Tuesday (5-6) at the Lowry Hotel were Frank Kingman, secretary of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions; M. E. Twedell, recently named manager of Oklahoma Free State Fair, Muskogee; G. A. Soder-quist, Buena Vista County Fair, Alta, Ia.; Ross Baty and C. Appleby, Great Jones County Fair, Monticello, and Robert Buckman and Ray Wuesten-berg, Union District Fair, West Lib-erty, Ia. Included among the out-of-State

# Sydney Royal Again **Breaks Million Mark**

SYDNEY, April 10. - The Royal SYDNEY, April 10. — The Royal Easter Show, top Australian annual fair, chalked up a near-record at-tendance mark of 1,098,000 during its 10-day run, which has only been ex-ceeded once. Last year, when this fair was revived after a lapse of six years, the attendance hit an all-time high of 1,232,413.

Figures are not yet available as to

Figures are not yet available as to the total gate receipts for this year, but they are expected to be approxi-mately \$325,000, against a total of \$400,000 taken in at last year's fair. The demand for exhibit space this year was so great in all exhibit sec-tions that the directors are seeking to acquire a large athletic field adjoin-ing the fairgrounds to provide addi-tional exhibit space.

# '47 Takes Up, **Gates Down at** N. Y. Annuals

ALBANY, April 10. — Forty-nine county and town fairs in New York drew a total of 1,219,274 paid admissions in 1947.

A report compiled by the State department of agriculture and mar-kets, after receiving and auditing re-ports from all fair associations, places their receipts at \$2,343,396, not in-cluding \$457,400 appropriated by the 1947 Legislature to reimburse fairs for premiums.

Total receipts were ahead of the Total receipts were ahead of the preceding year when they amounted to \$1,931,263, altho there were 50 fairs in 1946. Gate receipts in 1947 dropped off to \$530,832 from the 1946 figure of \$551,917, but grandstands took in more money, \$276,294 in 1947 and \$237,883 in 1946. Income from midways, concessions

and \$237,883 in 1946. Income from midways, concessions and rentals was \$246,411 last year, about \$17,000 under 1946. The State reimburses qualified fairs for all money paid out in premiums up to a maximum of \$10,000. Thirty-two fairs receive the maximum aid.

# Melvin Olson Named Meadville, Pa., Mgr.

MEADVILLE, Pa., April 10.—Mel-vin Olson, for the past five years a concessionaire with F. E. Gooding Amusement Company, has been named manager of Crawford County Fair here. He succeeds John Mead, Tyrone, Pa., who resigned recently after serv-ing as fair manager since its inception two years ago. Olson, who lives here, has been in the outdoor amusement business for 25 years. Plans are under way for use of th fairgrounds for other events besides the fair. Among these will be a horse show, May 29-31.

Richmond Post to Hazelwood RICHMOND, Va., April 10.—Robert M. Hazelwood was named general manager of the Atlantic Rural Expo sition, which will be held here Octo-ber 4-9. Hazelwood serves on the board of directors for the third annual five-State fair, along with the executive committee.

# That Ended It!

ST. PAUL, April 10 .- "What about the comic strips in the newspapers?" That question, tossed by Ray

Inat question, tossed by Ray Lee, secretary of Minnesota State Fair here Tuesday (6), quashed a point raised not in-frequently by newspapermen and others that fairs are "get-ting away from their original idea."

idea." Lee's query, made at the Min-nesota short course on fair man-agement during a discussion in which one of the participating Minnesota newsmen indicated that fairs were losing sight of their original education purpose, virtually closed the discussion.

After posing his question, Lee elaborated. He told newsmen that a fair must have a balance between educational and entertainment features.

#### By a Staff Correspondent

ST. PAUL, April 10 .-- Less academic than its predecessor, the second ST. PAUL, April 10.—Less academic than its predecessor, the second annual short course on fair management held Monday and Tuesday (5 and 6) at the Lowry Hotel here by the Minnesota Federation of County Fairs, with the co-operation of University of Minnesota, was branded a success by those attending. Consensus was this year's edition was more on the prac-tical side than the initial school. This was due to the fact that speakers this year consisted, in the main, either of working fair men or of people dimectly associated or related with fair work, judging by the expressions voiced by the nearly 90 fair execs who attended.

#### Vote for Third One

Reflecting the evaluations of the course by those in attendance, the group voted at the end of the sessions to hold a third course next year. It was agreed the course should be held about a month earlier and, perhaps, as the next step in development, that subjects of prime interest to a few departments be selected for those discussions, superintendents of those departments be invited to attend and actively participate.

One of the added features this year was a discussion period which spanned several hours. For this, a list of some 20-odd questions were prepared by a committee. Each ques-tion dealt with an important fair tion dealt with an important fair management subject. The discussion from the floor was marked by lively and wide participation, and it was believed this portion of the program contributed more specific information than any other section.

Strong Is Speaker Speakers on various subjects in-vited questions and stimulated dis-cussions following their talks. Pub-licity and advertising had a large place on the program. Fred H. Strong, of Strong Publicity Service, St. Paul, speaking on Publicity for County Fairs, pointed out that year-(See Minnesota Course on page 77) (See Minnesota Course on page 77)

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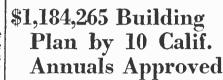
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SACRAMENTO, April 10. — Cali-fornia Public Works Board has allo-cated \$1,184,265 to 10 county and district fairs thruout the State for construction and improvement of their planta their plants.

At the same time the board denied or deferred action on requests totaling more than \$2,300,000 for the same purposes.

Money allocated will come out of the fairs and expositions fund, which is built up by the State's share in the pari-mutuel take at California race tracks.

The board denied an application for \$1,000,000 from the National Orange Show, San Bernardino, on the ground that a definite breakdown was lacking on purposes for which the money would be spent.

Action was deferred on a \$500,000 request from the 48th District Agri-cultural Association in Los Angeles because, the board held, the district was not yet ready to spend the money. The board denied an \$82,375 request from the 22d District in San Diego County for reimburgement of ex-County for reimbursement of ex-penses of electrical installations.



IDAHO Cambridge-Washington Co. Fair Assn. First week in Sept. Buck Howland.

ILLINOIS Aledo-Mercer Co. Agri. Soc. Aug. 31-Sept. 3. John W. McHard. Princeton-Bureau Co. Fair. Aug. 24-27. Wayne Slutz.

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Bluffton-Bluffton Street Fair. Sept. 28-Oct. 2. Dwight F. Gallivan. Fort Wayne-Allen Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 16-21. Carl Suedhoff. Goshen-Elkhart Co. Fair. Sept. 13-18. Roy M. Goshen-Elkhart Co. Fair. Sept. 13-16. Roy M. Amos. Huntingburg-Dubois Co. Fair. Aug. 9-13. Kermit Ruttkan. Rising Sun-Ohio Co. Fair. Aug. 24-28. Ralph E. Gossom. South Bend-St. Joseph Co. 4-H Fair. Aug. 11-14. Oscar Valentine.

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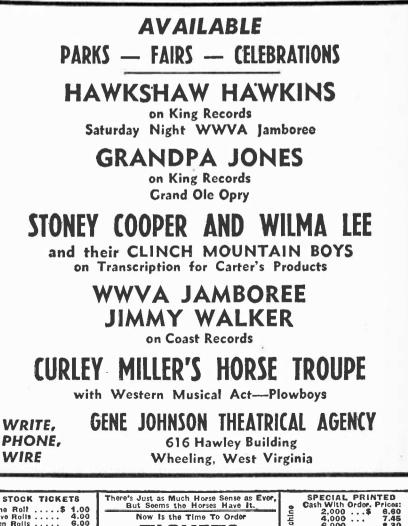
Nevada-Story Co. 4-H Fair Assn. Aug. 16-19. Glenn Z. Randau, RFD 2, Ames, Ia. KANSAS

KANSAS Auburn-Auburn Grange Fair. Oct. 1-2. Mrs. Ina Cellers. Gardner-Johnson Co. Free Fair. Sept. 1-4. Eldon E. Moore. Greensburg-Kiowa Co. Free Fair Assn. Aug. 4-7. W. A. Stewart. Iola-Allen Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 30-Sept. 4. Northcott Alken.

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Brodhead-Brodhead Fair. Aug. 11-14. W. O. Brodnead-Brodnead Fair. Aug. 11-14. W. O. Yadon. Kuttawa-Lyon Co. Fair. Sept. 3-4. Levi Oliver, Eddyville, Ky. Louisville-Jefferson Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 9-12. Tom Young. Shelbyville-Shelby Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 3-7. Phil W. Moesser. (See FAIR DATES on page 78)





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#### Grand National Jr. SOME OPEN TIME FOR FAIRS AND STILL DATES Livestock Expo Tops STEELE'S In Coast History CAVALCADE STARS 25 JAM PACKED ACTS

SAN FRANCISCO, April 10.—The 1948 Grand National Junior Live-stock Exposition, which recently closed at the Cow Palace here, was the biggest livestock show for young-sters ever held on the Pacific Coast, Porter Sesnon, chairman of the Jun-ior show committee deelered ior show committee, declared.

Event was staged by the No. 1-A District Agricultural Association, a State agency which sponsors the an-nual youth classic.

Sesnon reported there were 874 exhibitors from California, Nevada, Oregon and Utah. A total of 2,398 head of fine beef and dairy cattle, lambs and hogs were exhibited— more than twice the number ever shown here before.

Total sales brought \$65,000 above market prices. In addition, more than \$20,000 in premiums were paid and the youngsters won \$8,800 in scholarships as well as scores of other valuable trophies and prizes.

# Aussie Headaches TRI-STATES FAIR Corinth, Mississippi, Week Sept. 27-Oct. 2. Large premium list. Wire or write full details to A. B. ROBINSON Corinthian Building Corinth, Miss.

SYDNEY, April 10. — During the 10-day run of the Royal Easter Show, Australia's leading annual fair, aspirins were the No. 1 favorite of those attending, with 179,074 of .the fair's visi-tors patronizing the aspirin kiosks on the grounds. Aussie headaches were apparenty more headaches were apparenty more abundant this year as only 130, 000 aspirin guzzlers were counted at last year's fair.

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# **Amusement Corp. Contracts** R.R. Shows Into 23 Fairs

CHICAGO, April 10.—Twenty-three fairs have been booked by the Amusement Corporation of America (ACA), which handles contracting for the Hennies Bros., Cavalcade of Amusements and Imperial Exposition, J. C. McCaffery, of the ACA, announced. In releasing the list of fairs already signed, McCaffery refrained from giving the show-by-show fair bookings. Fairs signed are Illinois State Fair, Springfield; Iowa State Fair, Des Moines; Nebraska State Fair, Lincoln; South Dakota State Fair, Huron; Missouri State Fair, Sedalia; Tennessee State Fair, Nashville; La Porte (Ind.) County Fair; Chattahoochee Valley A. & I. Fair, Columbus, Ga.; Tennessee Val-ley A. & I. Fair, Knoxville; Greater Mobile Gulf Coast Fair, Mobile, Ala.; Red River Valley Fair, Fargo, N. D. Freeborn County Fair, Albert Lea. CHICAGO, April 10 .- Twenty-three fairs have been booked by the

Red River Valley Fair, Fargo, N. D. Freeborn County Fair, Albert Lea, Minn.; All-Iowa Fair, Cedar Rapids; Eastern Illinois Fair, Danville; West Tennessee District Fair, Jackson; South Texas State Fair, Beaumont; Clay County Fair, Spencer, Ia.; South Mississippi Fair, Laurel; Mississippi-Alabama Fair and Dairy Show, Tu-pelo, Miss.; Central Mississippi Fair, Koscuisko; Madison County Fair and Tennessee Valley Exposition, Hunts-ville, Ala.; Northern Wisconsin Dis-trict Fair, Chippewa Falls, and the Mississippi Fair and Dairy Show, Meridian. Meridian.

Other events at which the railroad shows have been booked thru the Amusement Corporation of America are the State of Scott Celebration, to be held on the river front at Davenport, Ia.; the widely publicized an-nual Free Fish Fry Week at Beards-town, Ill., and the annual Knights of Columbus Barbecue at Springfield,

# **Turner Signs Evelyn West**

PETERSBURG, Ill., April 10.-Evelyn West, billed professionally as the Hubba-Hubba Girl, will be fea-tured on Turner Bros.' Shows this season, it was announced here upon receipt of a signed contract from Miss West, currently appearing at the Riviera Dinner Club, Corpus Christi, Tex.

According to Turner officials, the West show will be a 45-minute revue with a cast of nine persons, including a four-piece orchestra. Turner Bros. have built a special semi that opens into a stage, complete with dressing rooms for Miss West, and a new 80-fact aread fourt with 2 new top foot panel front with a new top.

Art Converse, side-show operator, advises that he has his Odditorium all set. Cast will include Aloha, the alligator boy; Happy Jack Dexter, fat man; Sealo, the seal boy, and Tiny White, midget magician.

Vaughn Overman will have his Hall of Science under canvas for the first time this year. Prince Yogi phoned from Florida that he has his East India Mystery Show newly painted and ready to go.

and ready to go. Org's personnel for the season will include Ray and Cecil Turner, owners-managers; Dorothy Turner, secretary-treasurer; Marie Turner, concessions; J. C. (Jack) Price, gen-eral agent and personal representa-tive; Beulah Price, mail and *The Bill-board*, and R. V. Collins, mechanic. Recent arrivals in quarters include Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fellis, conces-

Recent arrivals in quarters include Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fellis, conces-sions; W. F. (Bill) Johnson, bingo; Mr. and Mrs. Harry (Pretty Boy) Hopkins, concessions, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Posey, jewelry. Sam Spangle, popcorn op, is con-fined to Mercy Hospital, Champaign, Ill., but expects to be released in time to open with the shows. Recent visitors: Mr. and Mrs. George Smith and daughter, Cecile May; Bill King, Fred Ayres, Jim Patsch, of the Armbruster Tent Com-pany, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Phil-

pany, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Phil-lips.

# **Business at Bow** In Richmond, Va. | Fayetteville Big

RICHMOND, Va., April 10.—John H. Marks Shows officially opened their 1948 season Monday (5) on their Petersburg Pike lot here, the scene of shows' numerous other seasons' bowvailed on the eye-pleasing midway, which this year boasts all new light plant trailers and a number of new fronts, some of which will be set up at the org's next stand.

official staff includes E. B. Bray-don, business manager; Harry Par-ker, general agent; Henry Halder, secretary-treasurer; Bill Owens, ad-vance; Walter Rowan and Tommy Heath, who are in charge of the Diesel light plants, and Eddie Lang, trans-portation superintendent.

Line-up also includes Slim Kelly's Side Show, Jimmy Simpson's Colored Revue; Johnny Arnella, revue and Posing Show; Joe Decker, cookhouse, and Jones' bingo, managed by Guy Markley.

Markley. Ray Mead has the Merry-Go-Round; Tex Leatherman, Caterpillar; George Dobbins, Twin Ferris Wheels; Ben Paul, Fly-o-Plane; Elmer Rhodes, Looper and Whip; Lee Savage, Flying Scooter, and S. B. Morgan, Octopus and Rolloplane. Paul Lane is in charge of concessions. Leo Hadley has the Laff in the Dark, and Johnny Ice the Life Show. Red Schultz is front gate host, with Glad Hand Palmer the No. 1 ticket seller. Members of the World of Mirth.

Members of the World of Mirth, Majestic Greater and Penn Premier shows were on hand for the opening.

# HannumChalksGood **Opener** at Danville; Farmville Bow Okay

FARMVILLE, Va., April 10.-Morris Hannum Shows moved in here Monday (5) for a week's engagement following a successful season's opener in Danville, Va., March 26 under American Legion Post auspices. Busias good until late in the week when a flood mired the show lot and all equipment had to be bulldozed off the grounds. Early-week business the grounds. here was good.

here was good. Move here was made in quick time and shows were open early Monday. Line-up includes Mr. and Mrs. Mazurkawitz, ball games and Rollo-plane; Mrs. MacWethy, with an en-larged bingo; Billy Meyers, kiddie Whip; Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy David-son, Robertson's French fries, Phil Cook's diggers; Mr. Arnold, cat rack; Mr. and Mrs. Moore, Curly and Jane Sinko, Mr. and Mrs. Cain, Mr. Yancy; Jake Hogan, electrician; Bill Fowler; Edna Sylva, cookhouse; Capt. Jack Perry, free attraction; Johnnie Rid-dick's Minstrels; Mr. and Mrs. Davis, concessions; Ray Stevens's Side Show; Jack and Dixie Pecaro, two girl shows; Mr. and Mrs. Grant, Monkey-land; Mr. Merrit, billposter, and Jack land; Mr. Merrit, billposter, and Jack Martin.

## Some Pickin's

ST. JOHN, N. B., April 10.---John Sullivan, veteran tattoo artist with carnivals in the maritime provinces, apparently has the happy (that's a masterpiece of understatement) faculty of

of understatement) faculty of finding money. Not so long ago, Sullivan was walking down the street and spied a \$1,000 bill at his feet. Shortly after he found a wallet containing \$700. With some de-tective work of his own, Sulli-van found the owner, a St. John physician, who, until Sullivan contacted him, hadn't missed the wallet. wallet.

# Winner for Prell

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., April 10.-Prell's Broadway Shows had a winning stand here for the week ending Saturday (10). Cold, rainy weather squelched much of the play during the early part of the week, but with clearing skies the natives and soldiers from near-by Fort Bragg came out in droves and spent freely.

The new Hi-Ball arrived and was put into operation here where it did near-capacity business. Most shows and rides earned plenty of folding money, with Bob White's Scandals topping the list. Ginger Rae's Posing Show and the Minstrel Show had big takes. High grossing rides included the Caterpillar and Twin Ferris Wheels.

Owner Sam Prell sprained his ankle here and was confined to his hotel for several days. His sons, Abe, Ben and Joe, took over mana-gerial duties in his absence.

Bill Sylvester and his wife, Lillian, daughter of Sam Prell, are again operating Kiddieland. Mack Klien, electrician, is building a new transformer wagon to supplement the six Diesel plants.

# **O. C. Buck Preps** For Season's Bow April 22 at Troy

TROY, N. Y., April 10.-0. C. Buck Shows, which open here Thursday (22) at the Armory grounds on 15th Street under the auspices of the Company D Infantry Regiment and the Troy Tibbett Cadets, are ready to toss off the winter wraps. Only a few last-minute touches to the equipment remain.

Whitey Sutton and family arrived recently from the South, and Whitey is preparing his side show and Snake Show. O. I. Hagen, Motordrome op-erator, announced he will feature two women drivers.

Sid Goodwaldt, midway cafe op-erator, has reframed his stand and equipped it with stainless steel. John Dewitt, Barney Dunbar and Jack Burke are busy reframing and re-pointing their stores painting their stores.

F. N. Beehler arrived from New Orleans to manage the Monkey Show and the Monkey Speedway. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kerns returned from New York, where they purchased new wardrobe for the new Posing Show. Stainless steel semi-trailer bally plat-form and front for this unit is com-plete. A new blue and white top has been purchased for this show.

A new Tilt-a-Whirl arrived. James Sabia, transportation superintendent, was in Oregon to take delivery of a new Hi-Ball. New Diesel power plants and front gates have been delivered. The Aerial Rooneys have been contracted as the free act.

# Tampa Preem **Of RAS Film Gets Build-Up**

#### Rand Show in Construction

TAMPA, April 10.-This city is being worked up into something of a lather over the local premiere of the Warner Bros.' motion picture short, King of the Carnival, built around Carl Sedlmayr Sr. and his show, the Royal American Shows, which winters here.

The premiere here is set for Thursday (15) at the State Theater.

Herb Pickard, press agent of the RAS, is pulling out all of the stops in building up the event. Program already set calls for Mayor Hixon to crown Sedlmayr as king of the carnival and Sally Rand as queen of the carnival. La Rand will be featured with the RAS org this year.

#### Merchants Tie In

In connection with the picture build-up, Pickard has drummed up a merchants' tie-up. The stores are to break loose with a sale, advertised as "the spring carnival of values."

Papers here have praised the spring special cover of The Billboard which was devoted to a picture of the Royal American Shows and its owner. Sedlmayr, incidentally, disclosed he had received 157 telegrams of con-gratulations following the publication of thet acure of that cover.

#### **Ready Rand Unit**

While the premiere build-up is un-der way, work at the RAS winter quarters here is being pushed at top speed in preparation for the shows? departure for Memphis, where it will open May 8 at the Cotton Carnival.

No little money is being spent on the set-up for the Rand show. Art-ists and designers have been at work for some time, and Sedlmayr, while refraining from disclosing the details, undisted the tort show will sof a new predicted the tent show will set a new high mark in appearance, both inside and out. Rehearsal of the Rand unit begins Friday (16).

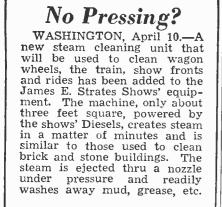
# **Tinsley Opens Well** In Greenville, S. C.

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 10.— Good weather, except for strong winds, resulted in a good opening here for the Johnny T. Tinsley Shows. Appearing under auspices of the fire department, org presented a spic and span look coming out of its winter quarters here. Staff includes John T. Tinsley

winter quarters here. Staff includes John T. Tinsley, owner; Mayo F. Tinsley, co-owner and secretary; H. S. Thompson, bus-iness manager; Gordon Crandall, ride superintendent; Robert Brockaway, electrical department; Frank Simms, front gate: John Major, transporta-tion, and W. R. Smith, billposter. The foremen are John Johnson, Merry-Go-Round; William Deen, as-sistant; Charles Fogarty, kiddie land; Ora Smith, Caterpillar; Frank McGee, two Ferris Wheels; Robert Strozier, Fly-o-Plane; John Greenway, Rollo-plane; George Bennett, Funhouse; Curtiss Prosser, Motordrome, and Clyde Howey, Snake Show. Al Trivoli has the cookhouse; Mrs.

Al Trivoli has the cookhouse; Mrs. Clyde Howey, confections; Sam Jus-tus, Donald Justus, J. R. Simpson, Bob LaRue, Herbert Gullimette, Ho-mer Gullimette, L. C. Scott, George (Pinky) Edgar, Dewey Ruppert, Mack McCune and Frank McBride all have games.

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# **Two Opening Stands** For Great Sutton **Yield Poor Business**

ABERDEEN, Miss., April 10.-Mud and rain on the Tupelo, Miss., lot delayed the Great Sutton Shows in tearing down and set back the open-ing here until Thursday night, March 25, when good business was regis-tered in the face of a lack of advance advertising.

A downpour in the early evening hours the following night killed busi-ness, show closing at 8:30 p.m. Ex-tremely cold weather turned Satur-day, March 27, into a disappointment.

Two previous stands played prior to the engagement here netted poor business. Meridian, Miss., the opening engagement, was a blank, and the Tupelo lot was six miles from town.

Pat Brown, org's electrician, rejoined after a short stay in Memphis where he went thru a brief training period on the handling of light plants at the Lewis Diesel Company plants at the Lewis Dieser Company plant. The show recently purchased four KW GMC Diesel plants from Oscar Bloom, owner of the Gold Medal Shows.

Medal Shows. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Allen now have their corn game in operation. Late arrival of new canvas delayed their opening. Nude Dude Revue, managed by Jimmie McWilliams, and featuring Dusty Rhodes, has been drawing high praise. Show flashes an 85-foot front. Jesse O'Dell's office-owned Oddities on Revue, with long banner line, has been topping the show grosses, with Chet Junking's Blackout Taxi pacing the rides. pacing the rides.

# Erie, Pa., Closed 12 Years, Cracked by JJJ

ERIE, Pa., April 10 .--- Closed to car-ERIE, Pa., April 10.—Closed to car-nivals for the past 12 years, this city has granted a permit to the Johnny J. Jones Exposition for a stand this summer. Billy Simpson Post, VFW, will sponsor the engagement, with the show to be spotted downtown at East Ash and 18th Street.

Ralph Lockett, general agent of the Jones org, represented the show in the negotiations with the city council and Chamber of Commerce, the setup here requiring approval of both those groups.

#### Accident Injuries Fatal To Frank (Stachso) Saenz

ARANSAS PASS, Tex., April 10.-Frank (Stachso) Saenz, 40, conces-sionaire and electrician of the Home State Shows, died here March 12 of injuries sustained in an automobile pagident Christman Fue 1047 accident Christmas Eve, 1947.

Besides his widow, Shelma (Billy) Saenz, a sister, Mrs. Jesse Andrado, survives. Funeral services were held here March 14. In addition to Home State Shows, Saenz had been con-nected with orgs operated by Bill Hames, Jap George, Texas Kid and Bill Rogers.

# Lottridge Greeted With Good Business In Opening Stand

BESSEMER, Ala., April 10. -Formed by the purchase last year of the Pryor Shows and subsequent enlargement and remodeling in quar-ters, the Harry Lottridge Shows were unveiled auspiciously here Friday (2).

Spotted auspiciously here Friday (2). Spotted on a lot at 13th and 19th streets the org, owned and managed by Harry Lottridge, got away to good business. Operating with a paid gate with Sports Matthews, swaying pole, as the free attraction show pulled as the free attraction, show pulled good turnouts and the folks spent good t freely.

Opening stand was benefited by the Opening stand was benefited by the strong co-operation of the Bessemer Junior Chamber of Commerce and a strong advance directed by J. C. Ad-mire, the shows' publicity director, who snared much newspaper space and time over WTNB, local radio sta-tion. Admire stressed a merchants' tie-up, with a boy's and a girl's bi-cycle as giveaways on Kids' Day.

All new royal blue canvas was flashed at the opening. The rolling stock, which has been completely overhauled, was painted an attractive shade of scarlet. Shows, operated by Mr. and Mrs. Chavanne, veteran operators, bowed with new fronts, a double-deck banner line on the Side Show and some eye-catching light effects.

effects. Office wagon, with J. L. Machamer, accountant, has been redecorated and refurnished, and a new system of ac-counting installed. Besides Lottridge, Machamer and Admire, other mem-bers of the staff are Bill Barton, con-tracting agent; Ned A. Myers, adver-tising agent; Pearl Machamer, front gate, and Julius (Crash) Watts, sound car operator. Show-owned bingo is managed by Don McDonald.

# **Baker United Bows** For Ind'polis Legion

INDIANAPOLIS, April 10.—Baker United Shows, owned and managed by Tom L. Baker, bowed for the sea-son here today under auspices of the Garfield Post of the American Legion Org set up at the city limits, 2600

Madison Avenue. Staff: Tom L. Baker, owner-man-ager; Tom Mehl, formerly with Peppers All-State Shows, general man-ager; William Gemmill, secretary; Joe Deaver, ride superintendent; Chester Pierce, truck and ride mechanic; C. R. (Bud) Jackson, front gate and towers; Luther Tyra, bilposter, and Bob Bush, electrician.

Bush, electrician. Ride foremen: Walter Johnson, Merry-Go-Round; W. H. Harding, Ferris Wheel; J. C. Snell, Octopus; Jack Scanlan, Tilt-a-Whirl; James Morton, Chairplane; Ed Reeves, Roto Whip, and Archie Enlow, kiddie auto. Lynn Huntling, with his kiddie train, and Harold Krentz, pony ride, are expected to join soon. Org opened with a new Allan Herschell Merry-Go-Round and a 10-car kiddie ride. The kiddie ride is owned by Bud and Marion Jack-son, who also own an interest in sev-

son, who also own an interest in several other major rides.

Following the date here the show will take to the road for a route of spring dates, starting at Kokomo, Ind.

#### Rains, Flood Threat Shift **Opening Stand of Francis**

ST. LOUIS, April 10.-Forced to ST. LOOIS, April 10.—Forced to cancel its opening stand at Madison, Ill., due to heavy rains and threat-ening Mississippi River flood waters, the John Francis Shows instead opened March 27 here at 2300 North Broadway.

From here the org went to Belle-ville, Ill., opening there Friday (9) and moving from there to Madison.



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check-up of Eastern shows. He was check-up of Eastern shows. He was accompanied by Vaughn Richardson. Pat and Agnes Purcell hopping around ahead of *Hollywood on Ice*, bounced over the same territory at approximately the same time, but not simultaneously. Bucky Allen was the official greeter for all visitors in the lobby of the William Byrd Hotel, Bichmond Richmond.

You'll never become a topnotch mid-way press agent if you're the type that apologizes to editors for being with a carnival.

Anyone knowing the whereabouts of Clarence Robbins is requested to have him contact his wife, Margaret Robbins, in Wyandotte, Mic, Magaret Robbins advises that their child is seriously ill at their home there.

Walter K. Sibley, executive secre-tary of the National Showmen's As-sociation, underwent a minor opera-tion recently at Lenox Hill Hos-pital, New York, and is reported do-ing well. . . Eddie Elkins infos that he is no longer with the B & V Shows Shows.

English Jack, vet concessionaire, was tendered a birthday party at Austin, Tex., recently by members of Alamo Exposition Shows. Guests in-cluded P. G. Ruth, Martha Rodgers, Jackie French, Babe Ulcar, Bill French, Palooka Joe, and Legal Ad-juster Albert Wright.

Estelline Pike and Hazel Hudgens, partners in the operation of bingo stands, are in Brookes General Hos- the West Indies. While in New York

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ANGLETON, Tex., April 10.-Org, which wintered at Brazoria County

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on the streets between the old and new courthouses. Cool and damp weather the first few days caused patrons to leave early. Command-

ing much attention were the light plants and the giant searchlight.

Roster includes Don Franklin, owner-manager; Glenn L. Hyder,

business manager; Katherine Frank-lin, secretary; A. S. Dove, ride su-perintendent; Frank Hendley, elec-

trician; Norman Dillman, Rolloplane

trician; Norman Dillman, Rolloplane foreman; Johnnie Blunck, Tilt-a-Whirl foreman, Jo West, tickets; Louie Maxwell, Ferris Wheel fore-man, Katherine Harral, tickets; Buddy Jurden, Spitfire foreman; Vic Harral, Merry-Go-Round foreman; George West, second man; Ida Mae Clay, tickets; Clifford Perrette, train foreman; Dutch Bowden, kiddie air-

foreman; Dutch Bowden, kiddie air-plane; W. H. Muller, Mix-Up, and

Concessionaires include Mr. and Mrs. Ken Davis, assisted by Ralph Brockley, bingo; Ken Davis, with Ralph McPheron, agent, watch-la; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Moore, with Wil-

bur Armstrong, waiter, cookhouse; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Campbell, long and short range gallery; Mr. and Mrs.

J. Barton, popcorn, peanuts and candy apples, and Fran Patterson, candy floss; Colleen Dillman, snow cones; J. O. McManus, with J. H. Mc-

Manus and Kay Kaiser, agents, fish-pond and soft drinks; Dutch and Ada Bowden, with Mr. and Mrs. Arbuckle

and Paul Corl, agents, clothespin, bumper and spindle; Tillie Stanley,

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T. Buchanan, with Leon Warner and Jane Stubbs, agents, ball game; Diana Stanley, cork game; Gus Stanley, photos; Yokie Stanley, glass pitch; Johnny Clay, advertising and Fun-

Johnny Clay, advertising and Fun-house; Lee Turner, ball games, and Fred Hyder, front gate tickets.— GLENN HYDER.

ARANSAS PASS, Tex., April 10.— Org opened here under auspices of the Business Women's Club. Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Joe

Ulcar and daughter, Betty Jo; Mr. and Mrs. Dave Chisholm, Mr. and Mrs. Slim Griffeths; Jimmie Byers,

Otis Cannon, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Byers, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hunter, and Mrs. Cecil Goree and sons. Shows came out of quarters with

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VALDOSTA, Ga., April 10 .- Org

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Searles, 5; Reid McDonald, who also will be legal adjuster, pan game.

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# FROM THE LOTS

#### L. B. Lamb

LAUREL, Miss., April 10.—Org made the run from Hattiesburg, Miss., April 10.—Org in record time and was ready to go well in advance of the opening. However, rain in the early evening turned the night into a total loss.

Whitie Richards has a new Pretzel, Ross Sinderson two new kiddie rides, (Barney) Lamb has five rides, all of which look good in their new paint. Tex Yates has the Side Show and

a Snake Show under construction. Dale Parish, Girl Show op, will head both shows. Bob Grull has his Monkey Show in operation. Concessionaires include Leonard

Monkey Show in operation. Concessionaires include Leonard Higgs, custard; George Peterson, 4; Tex Roberts, who now has 3 in operation and plans to open 4 more; Andy Allen, diggers; the Barrs, 3; Stanley Schmidt, 2; Ross Sinder-son, 2; Mauri Brod, 1; Russell (Zip-per) Anders, apples and snow; B. J. Millard, long range gallery; Frank Aschy, 11; Don Couthren, 2; Al Mas-ters, cookhouse, and Bernice Jack-son, popcorn, bingo and 3 stores. son, popcorn, bingo and 3 stores.

Besides Owner Barney Lamb, staff includes Frank Vasulka, general representative; Imo Lamb, secretary; Whitey Gavit, electrician; Russell Lowe, builder, and the writer, who handles the lot and publicity—ERNIE MURRAY.

#### Harrison Greater

LAURENS, S. C., April 10 .- Snow opened here March 30 to a good crowd despite chilly weather. Move here from Newberry, S. C., where here from Newberry, S. C., where the show had a big week under aus-pices of the VFW, was made without mishap.

Another free act, the Siegrist Troupe, joined in Newberry. "Diamond-Tooth" Billy Arnte's

Carolina Follies is getting top money among the shows. Featured on the show is Julia Thomas, blues singer; James Sisters; Jim Davis, comedian; George Eisler and his seven-piece band, featuring Bubble Meyer at the

band, leaturing Bubble Meyer at the piano, and a chorus. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Harrison and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Pomporeni were hosts at an Easter wedding supper to the new bride and groom, Bobby Cooper and Mary Tate. The groom's mother and grandfather were in at-tendance tendance

Bill Pinskton joined with six concessions.

#### **Bee's Old Reliable**

DALLAS, Ga., April 10.—Staff in-cludes the following: M. N. Van-hooser, ride superintendent, pea pool, mailman and *The Billboard* agent; John Huls, electrician and high striker; Raymond Huls, secretary; Howard H. Dawson, legal adjuster and conces-

H. Dawson, legal adjuster and conces-sion manager; Kenneth Holt, stock man and assistant concession man-ager, and Charles E. Britton, lot man and shooting gallery. Also H. L. Archer, concessions; Herb Crager, over-and-under; Sol Sheftall, rat joint and penny pitch; Mrs. Sol Sheltall, beat-the-dealer; Mrs. H. L. Archer, pan joint; R. G. Baker, fish pond; Bill Carey, set joint, and Vincent Bellamo, glass pitch. Ride staff includes Ferris Wheel, Troy Scruggs, foreman; Cecil Parker, second. Merry-Go-Round, Hoover Hatmaker, foreman. Octopus, Jimmy

second. Merry-Go-Round, Hoover Hatmaker, foreman. Octopus, Jimmy Wallace, foreman; Jimmy Wilson, second; and Chairplane, William Stone, foreman. — RAYMOND C. Stone, HULS.

are, bingo, fat face, guess-your-age and one other p.c.; Richard Chaney, ggers; Nina Scott, snow cone; Jimmy aarles, 5; Reid McDonald, who also ill be legal adjuster, pan game. Visitors here included Mr. and Mrs. Sam Housner, Mrs. Walter Langford and daughter; Mrs. Speedy Babb and son; Melvin Bennett, and Howard Ingram, of the Florida Amusement Company.—DOLLY WISE.

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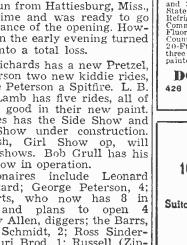
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# **Golden Rule**

BISHOPVILLE, S. C., April 10.-Org opened the season here in the heart of the town under Junior Chamber of Commerce auspices. Ride and show fronts were flashy, reflecting credit upon Don L. Cramer, scenic artist.

Much new neon was in evidence and the midway was brightly illumi-nated thru the use of two new power plants. Show tops, all new, are of forest green. Rolling stock is painted in red, black and silver.

The Chickrelli Troupe, free act. was well received. Turnout was good, the weather being ideal. Shows, rides and concessions all received their share. After making one stand in North Carolina, shows will head into Maryland, where they will play the Eastern Shore area before moving into their established territory in New Jersey, Pennsylvania and New York.

Roster includes Andrew and Alvin Blackmon, owners; Leo Riley, general representative and business manager; George H. Kane, special agent and billposter; Jack A. Montague, public relations; Fred James, superintend-ent of Diesels and neon; Blackie O'Brien, lot transportation superin-tendent, and John Hill, mailman and The Billpograd cales agent The Billboard sales agent.

Ride personnel has Evert Peterson, Bob Thomas and Evelyn Thomas as cashiers; Merry-Go-Round, John Benszich, Ed Keitchel and Mary Johnson, cashier; Octopus, Ed Decker, William Joyner and June Clair, cashier: Tilt-a-Whirl, Jim Sorenson, Hal Stokes and Grace Lee, cashier; Chairplane, Ralph Ott, Jimmie Mey-ers and Doris Costello, cashier.

Show personnel includes side show, T. Scanlon, manager; Marty White, talker; Noah White and Joe Hanson, tickets, with Allie May Jordan, an-nex attraction; Midget Show, Doc Horne, manager, with the Horne fam-ily; Monkey Circus, Al Zellers, man-ager, with Marie Zellers, trainer; Snake Show, Duke Graham, manager and talker: Funhouse: Roy Bennett, manager, and Alex Bowen, clown. Concessions are Mr and Mrs Toory Show personnel includes side show,

Concessions are Mr. and Mrs. Tony Balzoni, cookhouse; Art Lockwood, Balzoni, cookhouse; Art Lockwood, grab; Karl Vandergrift, French fries: Mrs. Leo Riley, apple, taffy, popcorn and snow balls; Mr. and Mrs. Wun-der, cotton candy; Leo Riley, 6; Mr. and Mrs. Minton, 4; Mazie Montague, 4; Frank Henshaw, 3; Ruth and George Barton, 2; F. Munson, 3; Joe Decisioner, 1, and Hazel Moran, 2 Deininger, 1, and Hazel Moran, 2.

Visitors included Mayor and Mrs. Pickeral and Chief of Police Farrell, all of Whiteville, N. C., and William Riley.—JACK A. MONTAGUE.

#### Pleasureland

COCHRAN, Ga., April 10 .- Shows moved in here from Ashburn, Ga., in moved in here from Ashburn, Ga., in good time and everything was ready for the opening. Ashburn was fair despite several days of rain. Saturday matinee and night play was exceptionally good. Fenley (Deafy) Clark added a number of concessions.

J. Smith visited here. Purchasing Agent Coffman returned with a Diesel light plant and new transformer. He also bought another tractor and trailer for the shows.

Co-Owner H. G. Hockett returned and reported he had inked several more celebrations in Ohio. Women members on the shows tendered Dena members on the shows tendered Dena Welch, Kiddieland foreman, a sur-prise party March 19. Mrs. Dorothy Raterink provided the buffet lunch, and Mrs. Welch was presented with a number of gifts. Guests included Mary Clark, Sally Poole, Addie Wills, Evelyn Cowgill, Ethel Reese, Mary Mitchell, Helen Wherry, Mary Loomis, Boots Wilson and Carol Scott. Bill Reese left to join Jim McCall's show. —JACK RATERINK.



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# FROM THE LOTS

#### **Mid-Western Expo**

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Town was well papered and the local daily provided good support. Crowds increased nightly.

New arrivals here included Lee Moss with two sets of diggers; W. D. Miller, long range and knife rack, and Princess Whitecloud with a new Wild West Show. Bayliss's bingo sports new canvas.

The new streamlined train and Skyride have been topping ride grosses, with *Gay New Yorkers* pac-ing the shows. George Hufford, gen-eral superintendent, is carrying eral superintendent, is carrying scratches received from a chimp on the Animal Show.

Lennie Dickerson has the show well lighted. The trucks are in top shape for a trek thru the Ozarks. The new sound truck packs plenty of power.

Visitors included Tom and Pearl Fleming; Dr. Franks, Texarkana; Alex Tanner and family, and Kokomo Kid, former athletic show operator. Mrs. Mabel Munson, mother of Winona Woodward, was in from Yuma, Ariz., for a visit. Smoky Cole left the show because of illness. —OCTAVIO PEDERO.

#### **Palmetto Exposition**

GREENVILLE, S. C., April 10.-Inclement weather resulted in spotty business on the winter tour of South Carolina.

Milton McNece, owner-manager, has returned from a booking trip and reported that the shows are well set for the season. Mrs. McNece, who is waiting delivery of a new house trailer, had her sister, Mary Niel Garrison, as an Easter guest. Mrs. William Reid and Sara Fuller have been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hooper and William Reid added concessions. Al-fred Brooks is handling the electric department. Newcomers include John C. Trent, Joey Carell, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sorensen, Karen and Glenda Hulin, Curly Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rittley, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Pingetar and Lewis Pingetar, Nathan Roberson is in charge of the three rides.

Visitors included personnel from the Tinsley Shows.--L. W. PEOPLES.

#### Wolfe Amusement

ROYSTON, Ga., April 10.-Run in here from Toccoa, Ga., was made in nere from Toccoa, Ga., was made in good time and everything was up by Sunday night (4). Toccoa stand was marred by rain, but a pick-up at the week's end raised business and all reported a fair business for the engagement.

gagement. Mrs. Roy Halstead was hospitalized at Toccoa, but she is back on the lot, recuperating. The Halsteads, inci-dentally, observed their 28th wedding anniversary Friday (2). Roy's birth-day also fell on the same day, and the two events were observed jointly. Mrs. Halstead received many flowers from the shows' personnel while she was hospitalized.

Visitors at Toccoa included John Tinsley, Homer Scott and Blackie Gillman, all show owners, whose orgs were playing in the vicinity at the time.

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#### Page Bros.

SPRINGFIELD, Tenn., April 10.— Everything was ready for the opening here today. Jessie Johnson had all electrical equipment set. Johnson also has charge of the sound truck this year. Mr. and Mrs. Dave Curtiss arrived. Curtiss will be special agent. Johnnie Butler, sign painter, had everything in his department in readiness. Mrs. Florence Page, mother of Manager W. E. Page, has entered a Madison, Tenn., hospital for treatment.

Concession line-up: Abe Frank, Mrs. Jessie Johnson, Gwen Land, Cur-ley Francis, Jack Peeler, Patrick Monahan and Lubie Wyatt, each 1; Louie Cutler, 8; Paul Pittman, 10; Duke Kirby, 2; Frank Simms, 3, and Harry Morris and Pour Little and 2 Harry Morris and Roy Little, each 2.

Ride foremen include Johnnie But-ler, Ferris Wheel; Rondall Cashion, Merry - Go - Round; Frank Hunter, Chairplane; James Mofield, Loop; Roy Hilderbrand, Octopus; Buck Lopez, kiddie train, and Earl Hagland, kiddie airplane

die airplane. Shows will include Captain Har-rell's Animal Show; Charles Britt, Jig Show; Eddie Woods, Side Show; Red McCasland, Funhouse; C. T. Conklin, Monkey Show, and Bert Thompson, Wax Show.

#### **Bright Lights**

LYNCHBURG, Va., April 10.—Late arrivals include Tom and Billie Shin-gledecker, Harry Meyers, Paul Bart-low and Joseph Lancaster. A new panel billposting truck has

A new panel billposting truck has arrived and is in the paint shop. A new semi for the Merry-Go-Round has been ordered. Two new ball games have been built. Rebuilt were the Monkey, Animal and Side shows. Clark Queer's Funhouse and all trac-tor-trailers are being refurbished. Managers John Geroma and L. C.

Managers John Gecoma and L. C. Heck were in Richmond on a buying Heck were in Richmond on a buying trip. Several tops have been received from the Anchor Supply Company. M. Mammox, his son, Mickey Vagell, and his wife, Margaret, were in New York over Easter. Dan Donini is readying his concessions. John Bittner, who had the candy floss, is reported hospitalized and will not be able to make the opening. Visitors included Mr. Sanders, Nor-folk Tent & Awning Company, A. R. Till and Samuel Okley.—F. A. NOR-TON.

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#### **Marion Greater**

SALUDA, S. C., April 10.—The org was hit by a tornado here this week and considerable damage was done. All tops were blown down, with minstrel top destroyed. There were no injuries. Show is covered by in-surance. Manager Jimmie Watts of the side show will use a smaller top, letting the Minstrel Show have the kid show top temporarily. Marion H. Spiller has bought a new tractor-trailer which will be converted into office and living quarters. A bear and lion were purchased in Leesville, S. C., as an added attraction to the SALUDA, S. C., April 10.-The org S. C., as an added attraction to the Animal Show.

#### **Orange Blossom**

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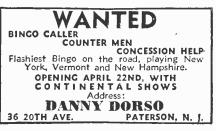
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JASPER, Ga., April 10.—Stand for the week ended April 3 was marred thruout by rain and cold. Org, owned thruout by rain and cold. Org, owned by Art Hinnant and Bill Myers, has been out five weeks, during which time it has battled the elements al-most every step of the way. Show is heading into Tennessee. It also is routed to play Kentucky and Indiana. Katie and Shorty Lowe joined. Mrs. Lowe has the penny pitch. Shorty handles the mail, *The Bill-board* and the front gate and also does some painting. Mrs. Hinnant is the shows' secretary. — SHORTY LOWE.

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#### **Gold Bond**

MOUNT STERLING, III., April 10. -Much progress is being made at fairground quarters as shows prep for their third annual tour. Some new equipment has been received and repainting and overhauling work is nearing completion. Shows are slated to open in Monmouth, Ill., April 17 with Ferris Wheel, Merry-Go-Round, Double Loop-o-Plane, Chairplane, Octopus, Tilt-a-Whirl and kiddle auto and aeroplane and miniature train. Shows include Funbouse Side and aeroplane and miniature train. Shows include Funhouse, Side Show, Monkey Show, Animal Show and two grind shows. Concessions booked to date total 24 and include popcorn, watch-la, bingo, darts, cus-tard, grab stand, spill the milk, long and short-range shooting galleries, fishpond, basketball, ball game, photo gallery and pitch till you win. Line-up includes Mickey Stark, owner-manager; Mary Stark, office wagon; Mickey Rankin, special agent; Ray Balzer, concessions; Jewel Bal-zer, concessions; Fearless Gregg, free act; Melvin Miller, mechanic, assisted by Johnnie Lewis; Robert Head, builder and blacksmith, assisted by Rex Miles; Phil Kulac, painter and decorator, assisted by Dick Smith; Phillip and Gloria Mason, Funhouse; decorator, assisted by Dick Smith; Phillip and Gloria Mason, Funhouse; Swede Gunderson, Side Show, assisted by Zillian; Tom Franklin, Hayes Nido, Electria Moore, Pinhead Jones, M. Hughes, Mack Hobart, Rocco's concessions and Manning's concessions.

Shows were enlarged over last year and a new marguee has been added along with new neon, searchlights, several semis and tractors and sound truck.—MICKEY S. RANKIN.

#### **Crystal Exposition**

WADLEY, Ga., April 10.—Business the initial four days was good despite rain. Weather cleared in time for pay day, Thursday, and it proved a winner. Art Convoid history Art Carver's bingo conwinner.

winner. Art Carver's bingo con-tinues to go over. Billie Shaeffer, free act performer, purchased a new truck to haul his rigging. His brother, Jimmy, left here with his free attraction and headed for Virginia.

Shows are carrying 8 rides, 4 shows and 35 concessions. Doyle's Snake Show and Helen Golden's Side Show have been top money getters thus far. Harold Roberts, cookhouse manager, was called to Miami be-cause of the sudden death of his father.—ALTA MAE ROBERTS.

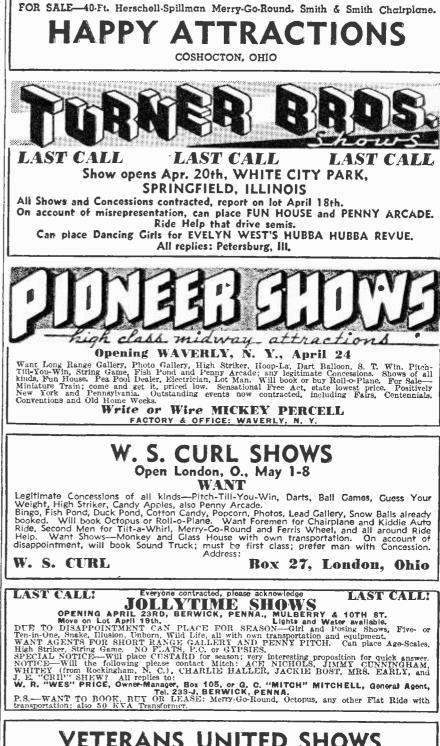
#### Virginia Greater

SUFFOLK, Va., April 10.-All units were moved from the Tidewater fairgrounds, winter quarters, to the open-ing lot here in parade fashion. Show trucks were newly painted bright red trucks were newly painted bright red with orange and blue trimming. The local paper and radio station gave considerable publicity to the doings. Herbert Morris, publicity chairman for the sponsoring American Legion, did a good job. Manager Rocco Ma-succi decided on the move, a week be-fore the opening, so that final touches could be given equipment in more advantageous surroundings. Work in quarters was under the di-rection of Raleigh Gibson. In quar-ters with him were Arthur and Lewis

Gibson, Red Stevens and Jimmy Munro. Kate and Louis Augustino are back with their wild animal, side show and life show. Kate again has concessions. A goat and monkey act has been added to the animal show.

Marion and Herman Leamon have ontracted to take over the Miss contracted to take over the Miss America and Parisian Revue shows. Cynthia Speight took over the Cotton Club revue. Bill Penny joined with his concessions. Jimmy Winters, who has frozen custard and chocolate dip, arrived. Ted Miner has joined with three concessions. Arthur Gibson, electrician, has the department in

shape. Mrs. Rocco Masucci reported, ar-(See From the Lots on page 74)



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# WINTER QUARTERS

#### **Piedmont Exposition**

Hula, Rhumba, Fan, Strip Dancers, etc. Want Lady M.C., also want Feature Stripper; state age. Can place two Men Ticket Sellers, Canvas Man and good Girl Show Talker. FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., April 10.-Everything was ready today for the move to St. Pauls, N. C., where shows open the season, Monday (12), under Civitan Club auspices. Scenic Artist Show opens April 27th with W. C. Wade Shows. Write or wire now. Bourdeau finished his paint work in time and all rolling stock was in first-class shape for the move.

General Manager Rumley returned from a trip to Winston Salem, N. C., where he placed an order for more new canvas and a new front door with the Dize Tent Company. He also purchased two new trailers and tractors.

Bill Butler will have charge of all Bill Butler will have charge of all concessions and percentage. General Agent G. C. Norris returned from a trip around the State. Mrs. Putney joined her husband, Earl, who is superintendent of electrical construc-tion. Putney also will bandle the tion. Putney also will handle the Ferris Wheel. Late arrivals in quarters were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Doby and son, Tommy. Lot Superintendent Joe Williams has all canvas in shape. Joe Joe Williams has all canvas in shape. J. W. Blanton booked his conces-sions as did Frank Wagner. Latter also will have a giant bingo with the shows. Joe Parenteau will have the cookhouse, and Ken McGlone the side show. Harry Dixtler booked his kiddie and pony ride. Garland Norris, who has the Oriental Girl Revue, purchased new costumes and scenery. He reports the show will operate for the first part of the season with only three girls. Roy Tilman will have the Hillbilly Show. — D E A C O N THOMPSON. THOMPSON.

#### Veterans' United

WORTHINGTON, Minn., April 10. A full crew is at work repairing and painting equipment in preparation for the May 3 opening here. Co-Owners Charles Carroll and John McDonald have received new Vaga-bond house trailers and await de-livery of a Smith & Smith Kiddie Airplane and an Addison miniature train.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ebersole will be back with their Octopus and bingo. Others indicating their intention of others indicating their intention of rejoining the show include Mr. and Mrs. Howard Truax, popcorn; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Elsen, Funhouse, root beer and hot dogs; Bob Evans, dig-gers; Mr. and Mrs. Pat Coalter, photos and cigarette gallery; Pop and Ma Kumalae, Hawaiian Show, nov-elties, fish pond and ball game; Gus Pappas, pin store; Florence and Red Cundiff, who report they have re-built and enlarged their cafe; Neva Lanky, penny pitch, and Gertie Yaer, Chairplane and two concessions.-STUBBY MONTANA.

#### **Midway Shows**

ST. PAUL, April 10 .- Shows are pushing preparations for their open-ing here May 8, and Owner-Manager Rocco Schiavone announces bookings

are about completed for the season. Fronts and arches have been re-furbished and rolling stock over-hauled and remodeled. Two new semi-trailers are being built for the Tilt-a-Whirl.

Rocco Schiavone Jr., assistant manager, said the org will carry a Side Show and that a 30-foot semi is being converted to transport it.

#### Alabama Amusement

THEODORE, Ala., April 10.-Bernie and Marie Smuckler, owners, are busy here in quarters getting things ready for the season's opener. Before taking to the road, the org plans to play several lots in Mobile. Recently purchased is a \$6,500 Diesel-operated kiddie ride. George Desak is in charge of work here.

#### Coleman Bros.

MIDDLETOWN, Conn., April 10.-Satisfactory progress is being made in local quarters despite unfavorable weather. Owner Richard J. Coleman announces that shows will open here Thursday (15). Org will be routed thru New England and New York.

A new streamlined train, light towers and new Caterpillar Diesels will be added this season. Paul Smith expects to have his new Rock-O-Wheel ride ready for opening. Three new fronts are being constructed under supervision of Clarence Church. They include a new side show front for Wendell Kuntz and monkey and girl show fronts for Walter Mc-Cracken.

Shows have eight fairs booked starting at Middletown, N. Y., the second week in August and closing at Belchertown, Mass., October 12. Rides were overhauled and repainted under were overhauled and repainted under the supervision of John Pesecki. Dave Altman left local quarters to visit friends in Oneonta, N. Y. Dave Alt-man will start his 30th year on the Merry-Go-Round this season. Bill Storey will be back with his cook-house and four stores. Leonard Ross will have the bingo and two stores. The Harrisons will have 4 stores; Bill Robinson. 3; Tim Coleman, 6; Whitey Beardsley, 3; Jimmie O'Con-nor, 2; Morris Gurthov, 2; Tom Wil-liams, 1; Elsie Taylor, 1; Tom Woods, 1; Harry Harrison, 2; Louis Miller, 2; and Bill Brooks, 2. Richard J. Coleman is owner; Fran-cis J.Coleman, manager: Betty Cole-

cis J.Coleman, manager: Betty Cole-man, secretary; Mrs. Richard Cole-man, treasurer: John Pesecki, ride superintendent, and Bill Burger, electrician.

#### Sunset Amusement

EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, Mo., April EXCELSION SPRINGS, MO., April 10.—Show is skedded to open its ninth straight year on a downtown lot here Thursday (22) under Ameri-can Legion Post auspices. Quarters' crew, now numbering 20, is readying

equipment. A new C-Cruise ride has been added. Three Ferris Wheels and a Dodgem also will be featured. Five new trucks have been added.

Org is using a sound truck for ex-ploitation and A. J. Duffy, billposter, has a new line of paper. Mr. and Mrs. Woody Gaither are readying their concessions. Gaither again will have charge of all percentage.

their concessions. Gaither again will have charge of all percentages. Org's fair route will take it thru Missouri, Illinois, Iowa and Minne-sota, Owner K. H. Garman announced. Ethel Flora again will handle news-paper publicity and program adver-tising. Margaret Martin and Mrs. Mace are in charge of the cockhouse

Margaret Martin and Mrs. Mace are in charge of the cookhouse. Recent visitors include Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Levin and Mr. and Mrs. Edward (Slim) Johnson, of Midwest Merchandise Company; W. Ross Beal-er, Whiteside County Fair, and Ross Paty. of the Creat Lorge County Fair er, Whiteside County Fair, and Fair, Baty, of the Great Jones County Fair,

#### **Playtime Amusement**

QUINCY, Mass., April 10.—With opening set for April 15, work in quarters is about completed. Shows' 10 rides and rolling stock has been

to rides and rolling stock has been overhauled and repainted. E. W. Burr, treasurer and manager, reported that a new Merry-Go-Round will be delivered June 1 when shows' No. 2 Unit opens under direction of John R. Burr. Shows plan to use Capt. D. Farlie, high dive, and Gang-ler Bros.' Circus as free attractions this year this year.

Red Fuller has arrived in quarters and has his crew busy getting shows and the Kiddieland in top shape. The writer again will handle the publicity and will be in charge of the billpost-ing crew.—HARRY PEAVEY JR.

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## MODEL SHOWS, INC. WANTS

Ride Help, Octopus and Roll-o-Plane Foreman, Second Men on all rides that can drive. Man and wife take charge ball game. Agent Penny Pitch. For sale: Evans Devil Bowling Alley, 20x40 Top. Address: Sapulpa, Okla., this week.

CHARLES ELDER SLUM STORE AGENTS for Penny Pitch, Hoop-La, Sium Cork Gallery, Basket Bail and Ball Game, or will build to suit capable Agents. BOOKED WITH INTERNATIONAL SHOWS. Fairs and Celebrations starting middle of June in Minnesota. Rex Allen and Paul, write. FRANK BENNETT, Concession Mgr. Address: CHARLES ELDER, c/o Inter-national Shows, Bristow, Okla., this week.

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## Midway of Mirth Shows WANT

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#### WANTED

CARNIVAL, RIDES, CONCESSIONS, FREE ACTS for the 12th Annual BUCKLIN HOMECOMING, August 12, 13 and 14 ARNOLD B. STANLEY, Secy. Chamber of Commerce Bucklin, Missouri



WANTS ONE COUNT STORE MAN. Only one on show. CARE CAPITAL CITY SHOWS Franklin, Ky., this week; then as per route. 'April 17, 1948

#### **Mad Cody Fleming**

HICKOX, Ga., April 10 .- Work McCarty upping the working day by two hours. Concessionaires continue two hours. Concessionaires continue to arrive. Some have their booths ready.

George Mitchell wired he was en route. Judge Dowdy has his stands all set. C. D. Dean is prepping 10 stands. Frankie Shelton has her stand ready. Whitie Hardman and Dutch Schill-

white Hardman and Dutch Schill-ing have been working a few weeks with another show. Mr. and Mrs. Mad Cody Fleming recently made a trip to Ohio to see Mrs. Fleming's mother. On the trip they were in a wrock and their Lincoln cor was bad wreck and their Lincoln car was bad-

wreck and their Lincoln car was bad-ly damaged. C. B. Ludwig is taking a crack at advance work. Most of the ride boys are here. The season will open Sat-urday (24) at Waycross, Ga. Preach-or Lorget alwady here started billing er Legget already has started billing.

#### Thompson Bros.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., April 10.-Work is moving along at a fast pace and shows recently took delivery on a new Ferris Wheel and Kiddie Auto, and Ferd Thompson is building a new Funhouse for the No. 2 Unit. Four new tractors also have been delivered.

Lee Runk is getting the trucks in shape. Management reports a number of new dates have been inked for the summer. The writer and his father again will have candy apples on both units and a photo gallery on the No. 1 Unit.—BUD WIEGAND.

#### Frear's United

EMPORIA, Kan., April 10.-Much rebuilding has been done in spite of unfavorable weather.

Owner and Mrs. Frear were hosts to quarters personnel at a turkey dinner on Easter Sunday. A new transformer and workshop

have been completed on a 24-foot semi. Papa Ryan has everything repainted. Monroe Groll has com-pleted his new Funhouse and new show fronts have been constructed.

#### George Clyde Smith

CUMBERLAND, Md., April 10.— Clyde McDaniels, ride superintend-ent, and John Roberts, mechanic, arrived in quarters here recently. Rides and shows are actically ready for the Wednesday (28) opening. Manager George Clyde Smith re-turned recently from a booking tour thru Western Pennsylvania.—JIMMY FAY.

SUNFLOWER STATE SHOWS WANT FOR NORTHWEST KANSAS Two Largest Street Celebrations, starting GOODLAND, APRIL 19; COLBY, APRIL 26. SHOWS-KID RIDES-STOCK CONCESSIONS Roy Edsall wants Count Store Agent, Clothes Pin, Set Joint, Dick Hamilton, Johnnie Sleepy Graham, Bill Bradley, Buddie Wall, Swinger Graham, E Agent, wi C. A. GOREE, Mgr., Liberal, Kansas

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#### Eastman Amusement

SALAMANCA, N. Y., April 10.-Work in local quarters is progressing and all equipment, trucks and semis are being repainted. A new Merry-Go-Round is expected about May 1. Shows plan to open in Limestone, N. Y., May 11, with Merry-Go-Round, Ferris Wheel, Chairplane, miniature train and Octorus train and Octopus.

Personnel includes Lloyd H. East-man, owner; Edson Trinlay, electri-cian; Eugene Ferris, ride superin-tendent, and Charles Stewart, transportation superintendent.

#### Imperial

ASHLAND, Ill., April 10.-Work is progressing satisfactorily here. A new Ferris Wheel, delivered by the Eli Bridge Company, gives the org twin wheels and raises the total rides to 10.

Recent visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Richard O'Laughlin, who this year will go out with novelties and merchandise concessions on the show for the third straight year. Frank and Lelia Hopper, have been visiting their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Pierce, here.

#### World of Pleasure

WAYNE, Mich., April 10.-O. B. Bauer and Sam Gregory recently finished building the second new truck, made of sheet metal. Recent visitors have been Ken Yea-ger, Blackie Warr, Stuff Carlin and Smokey Hammond. Mrs. Bauer is confer

Mrs. Bauer is confined to her bed with a heart condition. The Bauer's daughter, Judy, is going to school in Potomac, Ill.—ANNA BAUER.

#### **Mespelt Buys Out Hedrick Interest in Peerless Org**

GREENWOOD, S. C., April 10.-William J. Mespelt, who with Fred Hedrick operated the Peerless Cele-bration Amusements, announced from winter quarters here that he has pur-chased his partner's interest in the organization. Held up because of bad weather

and negotiations involving the change in ownership, reconditioning of equipment is now in an advanced stage for the show's opening in late April. Tractors and trailers are about ready to roll, said Mespelt. The show will play its usual territory thru Virwill play its usual territory thru Vir-ginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania.

#### **Ohio Valley Shows Bow** April 24 at Mansfield, O.

FINDLAY, O., April 10.—Ohio Val-ley Shows will move out of local quarters (Monday (19) for Mansfield, O., whose opening is set for Saturday (24).

Concessionaires include Bob Chism. cookhouse; Bertha Kent, popcorn; Mrs. Roy Nelson, photos; Nip Harris, hoop-la; Bob Harris, 1; Bill Harris, 1; Ace Ross, 4; Mrs. Preice, 3; Donald Jameson, 1; Gordon Milles, 2; Ralph Wolfe, 2; William Melnick, 2; Baughie, diggers and jewelry, and Bill Wolcott, pennyland and three others.

#### Laurens, S. C., Festival Inked for Harrison Greater

LAURENS, S. C., April 10.—Stan-ley Reed, general agent, Harrison Greater Shows, this week inked the Greater Shows, this week inked the fall festival here for his org. The doings, which will be staged late in September or early October, will fea-ture daily thrill events. Site is the Laurens-Clinton Speedway. President Maxie Abercrombie, of the festival, said the event. will be staged annually and will be backed by heavy promotion.



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Concessions that work for stock, such as Photos, Age, Weight, Glass Pitch, Mitt Camp, High Striker, Hoop-La. Rides—Any Ride not conflicting. Help on Kiddle Auto, Second Man on Swings and General Help. Shows—Any Show with own equipment not conflicting with Girl Show, Side Show, Mirror Maze and Snake Show. Want Man with people to take over Side Show. Floyd Bailey Family, can place you; also Legal Adjuster; set in touch with JOHNNY GREENE MARYVILLE, TENN., APRIL 12-17

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also Snake, Monkey Show. Manager for Girl Show. Agents for er in Cookhouse. Want Ride Help; come on; top wages. Moree also Talker and Ticket Seller for new Fun House. Manager for new framed Side Show, als Stock Concessions. Want Dish Washer Goree wants Counter Men for Bingo, als ROY FREAR EMPORIA, KAN., ALL WEEK.

# THE ROANOKE RAPIDS LIONS' CLUB

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### LONE STAR SHOWS

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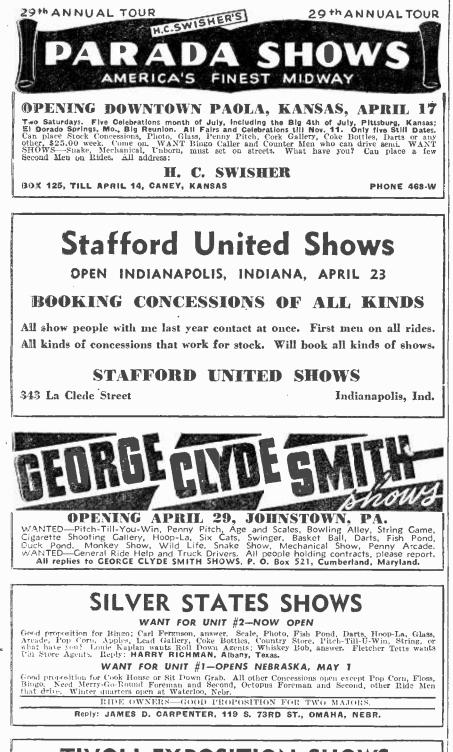
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# FROM THE LOTS

#### Virginia Greater

(Continued from page 71) riving from her Montclair, N. J., home. Ed Curtin is painting his concessions. Joe Conley is on his way from Florida. Bob Milligan has the motorized equipment in shape. Dad Nixon, painter, completed his chores.

Leo Matina, of the Matina midget troupe, has been filling in as chef. Mike and Ike Matina again are the side show feature with their magic.

New arrivals include Mr. and Mrs. Bob Coleman with their bingo; Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Delph with grab joint; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harrison, palmistry; Mr. and Mrs. R. V. (Kid) paimistry, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. (Kid) Bagby, long range, candy apples and popcorn, and Marion Leamon, who will take over two girl shows. Bill Penny cards that he will arrive soon with his concessions. Happy Arnold and Log Copley are expected soon and Joe Conley are expected soon.

Visitors included Harry P. Taylor; Dr. L. C. Holland, who presented the midget troupe with a trained duck; Larry Briggs, Jack Pinner and Herb Shive.

Mr. and Mrs. Masucci, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Curtin, returned to Montclair, N. J., to attend the wedding of their nephew.

Fletcher Gibson has joined the ride staff. Bob and June Coleman spent several days in Washington. Arthur Gibson is completing electrical in-stallations. All wagon show fronts have been repainted under the supervision of the writer. Jimmy Wilson has the frozen custard and chocolate dip. Walter Walters joined Louis Augustino's Wild Animal Show.—W. C. (BILL) MURRAY.

#### Alamo Expo

POTEET, Tex., April 10.—Week of March 29-April 5 at Riverside Park, Austin, Tex., pulled excellent turnouts. Org opened here Wednes-day (7) profilmingary to the Strawy day (7), preliminary to the Straw-berry Festival, April 9 and 10.

Back on the show this year are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rosen, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stegal with their kid rides, Snippy Kolb and his wife and Cap-tain Mac and his two nieces. Terry Martin is back as 24-hour man.

Lillian Murphy, wife of Joe (French Casino) Murphy burned up the skating rinks at Austin. Eileen Helfan has been put on the front ticket gate.

Rolling stock has been put in shape by J. C. Davis, truck superintendent. Benny and Bobby Hyman are sport-ing a new '48 Buick.

Bill and Jackie French were among those visiting Freddie Moran's re-cently opened Show Time club in Austin Sammy Saman key but Austin. Sammy Sapson has been giving away strawberry preserves he and his mother made, explaining that he put lids on the jars.

Austin visitors included Punk and Thelma Hill, who spent much of their time with Joe and Babe Ulcar. Babe has been on the sick list but is coming along okay.

#### **Prell's Broadway**

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., April 10.— Shows made the 200-mile jump here from Charleston, S. C., without inci-dent. Joe Prell has inaugurated a new system in the office wagon which eliminates a lot of paper weak. Stacey eliminates a lot of paper work. Stacey Knott joined here as assistant to Abe

Knott joined here as assistant to Abe Prell. Don Crown, scenic artist, fin-ished the Tunnel of Love canopy. Snap Wyatt, Tampa, painted the Fat Show banners. Clark is handling the Hi-Ball. The new Caterpillar is being handled by Morgan, who joined this season.—ALLAN A. TRAVERS.

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#### **Majestic Greater**

RICHMOND, Va., April 10.-Show

RICHMOND, Va., April 10.—Show opened on the Church Hill lot March 26. Cold weather hurt attendance and biz the first two days. Business improved with the weather and a ladies' night packed them in. Visitors included Al Huband. for-mer trouper, who is now city ride inspector; John Marks, Willie Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Serfass, Mack Maxwell, Carl Holzapfel, Walter Rowan, Al and Hank Palmer, Joe Decker, Art Eule, Paul Lane, Slim Kelly, Dorso and Goodman, J. A. Mitchell, I. V. Hulme, Maxie Glynn and Glen Porter. Leonard Gould sold his bingo equipment and rolling stock to Dorso and Goodman and they booked it with this org. Sam Solof is doing okay with his concession. Owner Sam Goldstein made a plane trip to De-troit to visit his wife who is ill. The writer's brother, Phil, joined to han-dle the front gate. Mr. and Mrs. Whitey Sutton and daughter, Kathy, joined. The sponsoring Legion com-mittee, headed by Kenneth Heine, co-operated. Specks Moore and his Rocket crew set another record. They were down and loaded in one hour and 55 minutes.—HARRY E. WIL-SON. SON.

# American Carnivals Association, Inc.

-By Max Cohen\_

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 10 .--The information bulletin has been mailed to the membership, together with 1948 membership certificates and copies of the 1947 annual report. Leonard Traube, former editor in chief of The Billboard, has submitted a series of six stories built around the Merry-Go-Round, which we un-derstand is to be made available on a subscription basis to shows. The War Assets Administration has revised two of its rules recording dis

revised two of its rules regarding disposal of war surplus goods. of the revised rules are on file. Copies

Washington information indicates the demand for gasoline may exceed the supply. The situation may grow worse during the coming months. Altho building materials are expected to be scarce, information is that the lumber supply will be adequate. Information on the subject of trav-

eling expenses as a deductible tax item is on file. Important tax dates are: April 15 when income tax re-turns from corporations, individuals and partnerships operating on a fiscal year ending January 31 must be filed; April 30, final date for returns for the first quarter 1948 Social Security taxes, quarterly return of unemploy-ment taxes, withholding taxes for the first quarter of 1948, and excise taxes for March, 1948.

#### **Tri-State Amusement Co. Preps for Spring Opening**

MADISON, S. D., April 10.—Tri-State Amusement Company has brought its equipment out of winter storage at Lake Madison and is get-ting things set for the summer. Show

is owned by John and Ed Murphy. Formerly the Howard Amusement Company, show plans to open at How-ard. S. D., and will return to Lake Madison for a Decoration Day stand.

#### Victory Signs Two More

HOT SPRINGS, April 10.—Victory Exposition Shows has added fairs to its bookings with the signing by C. S. Noell, general agent, of con-tracts for Shelby County Fair, Shel-bina, Mo., and Columbia County Fair and Stock Show, Magnolia, Ark.



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## **Caravella Fares** Well at Opening In Columbia, S. C.

REIDSVILLE, N. C., April 10.—In spite of cold and rainy weather, Cara-vella Amusements registered good biz at the Columbia, S. C.. Spring Festival on the fairgrounds March 27-April 3. Date. sponsored by the Optimists' Club. marked the shows' opening.

Improvements have been made on the midway; there are a number of new rides and fronts, better lighting and new concessions, and the canvas, and new concessions, and the canvas, royal blue, by William Saunders, also adds a new look. Frank Caravella is owner, and other members of the staff include Roy de Lano, secretary-treas-rer: Benny Herman, business man-ager; George L. Smith and W. E. LaSalle, general agents, and John Watkins, lot superintendent. Caravella has contracted Babe Scott with her Ferris Wheel, Monkey and Snake shows, and four concessions; Al Boxall, bingo, and Charles (Shorty) Carr, popcorn and apples. Harry Roger has the sound truck; Billie Stewart is electrician; Raymond First,

Stewart is electrician; Raymond First, stock superintendent; Henry Wray, boss canvasman, and O. Kirk, mechanic.

boss canvasman, and O. Kirk, me-chanic. Rides and foremen: Merry-Go-Round. Roosevelt Gibson; Octopus, O. W. Barrineau; Twin Ferris Wheels, Blackie Henry; Rolloplane, V. Ted-row; Chairplane, E. E. Smith; minia-ture train. M. E. Southard; kiddie plane. George Carter. Shows include Girl Revue, Austin Deninger; Minstrel, Fred Turner; Side Show, Jack Rogers; Life, Anna Gibson; Funhouse, Paul Blondtoe; Snake Show, Leonard Marshall. There are also several other shows. Louis and Zelda Meyers own and operate the cookhouse under a new top. Buddy Rogers and His Hell Drivers are the feature of the mid-way. Miller's high act was on deck for the opener. Winnie and Dolly, who will remain for the season, also presented a high number. Mrs. Elsie Caravella will leave soon to manage the recently acquired Island Park, Sunhury Pa the recently acquired Island Park, Sunbury, Pa.





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ners, blacksmith; Leroy Hunter, neon Joe Pearl, mailman and *The Billboard* agent; Jack Davis, concession canvas Tom (Notre Dame) Sharkey, carpen-ter; Jack Baillie, cookhouse, and Ber Buck, kitchen. Advance staff consists of Tom Al-len, special agent; William B. Naylor general press and radio; Lou Hami-ton, press agent back, and J. Raymont Morris, billposter.

# Jollytime Shows Bow April 23 at Berwick

BERWICK, Pa., April 10.—Jolly-time Shows pry off the season's lid here April 23, W. R. (Wes) Price owner, announced this week. New this year will be Eddie Van Pelt's Ferris Wheel mounted on a semi-trailer. Hank Shoreck, veteran wheel operator, will be in charge o the ride. the ride. Irving Faith, of Sherbrooke, Que.

has been engaged to handle the org', electrical work. He also will have jewelry, short-range gallery and

electrical work. He also will have jewelry, short-range gallery and penny pitch. G. C. (Mitch) Mitchell, genera agent, who also will pinch-hit in the office, says the route is set thru Labo Day. Three Southern fairs are in-cluded among the contracts, and Price plans to close and winter in the South

#### Dyer Bows at Helena, Ark.

WEST HELENA, Ark., April 10 .--Dyer's Greater Shows opened here April 2 and had a good run for eigh days. Org is carrying 7 major and 2 kiddie rides, 24 concessions, Penny Arcade, Mechanical Show and side shows.

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(Continued from page 58) traffic between the lines of ver affic.

Provide Turn-Around Area

**Provide Turn-Around Area** Pedestrian traffic is made up most-of those who live in the vicinity the fair or within walking dis-nee from a city bus route or from .ose who alight from automobiles id enter the gates while drivers are urking the cars. Bus and taxi guests so can use the pedestrian entrances, it the place they enter the traffic so can use the pedestrian entrances, it the place they enter the traffic iould be at one side or the other the entrance to avoid a cross-over. Depending upon the space avail-ple, the bus and taxi turn-around ear the entrance should be at least leet deep and 150 feet long, paral-l with the street or highway and at us side. An entrance and exit gate ie side. An entrance and exit gate rould control this traffic, and a coved platform should be provided to otect the passengers while they are ighting or waiting for transportaon.

Set-Up for Fast Movement For auto traffic, probably the fast-t method of disposing of a large unber of cars is by the satchel ethod, that is, men on foot selling ito tickets from thin satchels to the ivers. As soon as the autos near e entrance, the passengers unload fast as possible, and the driver urks the car. irks the car.

Another speedy method of caring r auto traffic, driving with loaded rs into the fairgrounds, is to build series of auto lanes, approximately ur feet wide and 40 feet long at one de of the entrance leading directly to a parking site. Lanes have two en working them, one to sell and e other to take the tickets. The bace between the lanes should not between the lanes should not imber of lanes required is depend-it upon the amount of traffic. One ne should pass cars thru at the rate 5 to 10 a minute. One fair, with eight-lane entrance, has passed 800 cars in one and a half hours iring a peak period.

Ticket booths outside of and in ont of the entrance will speed up affic. Rectangular booths with ket sellers on either side provide minimum of congestion. Either rnstiles or ticket takers passing tests into the fair should be under waring because they put in long vering because they put in long

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Minnesota Course Voted for 1949

(Continued from page 59) round public relations is vital to con-tinued development of fairs. Such public relations, he pointed out, stems from year-round activities of fair executives and department heads in building interact in the successful of the second building interest in the event.

William L. Nunn, director of uni-William L. Nunn, director of uni-versity relations for the University of Minnesota, and Axel Hansen, farm reporter of The Stillwater Post-Mes-senger, Stillwater, Minn., spoke on Public Relations on Year-Round Basis. Russell Asleson, farm reporter, The Minneapolis Morning Tribune; William R. Greer, city editor, The St. Paul Pioneer Press, and W. H. Kir-cher field editor. The Farmer comcher, field editor, *The Farmer*, com-prised a panel which discussed *News*-paper Publicity for County Fairs.

**Other Speakers Listed** 

Other speakers and their subjects Other speakers and their subjects were Ralph Ammon, manager of Wis-consin State Fair, Milwaukee, The Economic Importance of State and County Fairs; James S. Lombard, University of Minnesota, who told how the university's department of concerts and lectures functions; O. E. Haas, Stephens Display, Inc., Minneapolis, whose subject was *Exhibits*— *Eye Appeal*; Archie Putnam, secre-tary of Northern Wisconsin District Fair, Chippewa Falls, who discussed Booking and Budgeting; Frank Wales, Minnesota public examiner's office, who detailed State laws and the pub-lic examiner's booking system, and Richard R. Sackett and Harold Searls, pageant directors of the Minnesota Territorial Centennial, who told of plans in '49 for observing that event.

#### Banquet Held

A banquet, with entertainment, was held the first night. Speakers were Ralph Ammon, who spoke on trans-forming Wisconsin State Fair into a centennial exposition this year; Doug-las G. Marshall, University of Minnesota, who spoke on Minnesota's Hu-man Resources. J. O. Christianson, in charge of short courses at University of Minnesota, was toastmaster.

or Minnesota, was toastmaster. The committee in charge of the short course consisted of Benjamin Campbell, George W. Larson and Al-len J. Doran, president, vice-presi-dent and secretary, respectively, of the federation; Robert Freeman, its past president, and Raymond A. Lee and Doug Baldwin, secretary and as-sistant secretary, respectively, of the federation. federation.

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# Wisconsin Centennial Expo Spends 133G for Night Shows (Continued from page 58) land-dairyland exhibit will be built

(Continued from page 58) will have three production numbers, one of which will be built around On Wisconsin, University of Wisconon wisconsin, oniversity of wiscon-sin song, and other Wisconsin college songs; another will be woven around After the Ball and the third will be framed around Sil-ver Threads Among the Gold, I Love You Truly and End of a Perfect Day. Circus and stage acts will be interpolated between production numbers.

Sked 200-Mile Race

Track attractions the first nine days will be devoted entirely to motor speed events, with big car races, motorcycle races and thrill shows. The second week the track will be Midwestern horses, and the final week, excepting only the expose closing day, will be given over to Grand Circuit harness races.

Big attraction closing day will be a 200-mile national championship big a 200-inite national championship big car race sanctioned by the American Automobile Association. Scheduling of this event marks the first time a national championship big car race of more than 100 miles has been billed at any place excepting the Indianapolis Speedway.

#### Midway Shows Set

Six midway shows have been con-Six midway shows have been con-tracted, Ammon said, adding that no more will be signed. Charles Gayer, of Detroit, will operate five of these, with Ray Kubly, Monroe, Wis., op-eating the other one; a Swiss Col-ony, which will present yodelers, bell-ringers and other Swiss-Ameri-can talent can talent.

Gayer will have a Wisconsin's Paul Bunyan Sports Show, featuring wood chopping, log rolling, etc.; Terrell Jacobs's Wild Animal Circus; a magic show, built around feats of Houdini, who, Ammon points out, was a native of Wisconsin and a mounted museum type animal show of present and past animals built by Jesse Drost of Medford, Wis.

#### **Buildings Going Up**

Much new construction is under way at the fairgrounds. Chief among the additions will be a conservation building, four buildings to be built by as many breweries, and some church-operated dining halls.

The conservation building, to be the conservation building, to be built by the Department of Conserva-tion, is to be approximately 40 by 80 feet and built of spruce logs. Ad-jacent to it will be a two-acre fenced-in area, with water falls and a stream, in which active grow will be shown in which native game will be shown in natural habitat. Stream will be in natural habitat. Str stocked with native fish.

#### **Ready New Fronts**

Ten-year leases will be held by the breweries on their own buildings. Old dining halls have been razed, and new

ones are to be built on different sites. Old buildings generally are to get a face-lifting job. New fronts are being designed for such buildings as the industrial and dairy building. Interiors of buildings will be strik-

ingly different than in the past. The sum of \$68,000, \$50,000 of which has been contributed by a dairy industry been contributed by a dairy industry group, will be spent on an elaborate exhibit in the dairy building. To be built by Gardner Displays, Chicago and Pittsburgh, this exhibit calls for a huge replica of a fairyland-dairy-land, over which an over-sized ani-mated figure of Alice in Dairyland will be placed

will be placed. A Statewide contest to pick Alice is under way. Once selected, she will go to Pittsburgh, where a giant, life-like figure of her will be made for use in the exhibit. Expo also plans to use her intensively in its ad-vance publicity campaign. The fairy-

along fantastic lines; mountains, for instance, to be represented by mounds of ice cream.

#### **Giant** Pitcher

Calling attention to the dairy building, will be a golden pitcher, 17 feet in height, mounted on the roof. A continual flow of liquid simulating milk will come from it. Two farms—one a two-room log

cabin typifying living conditions in 1848—the other a modern six-room house, with the latest gadgets, are being built in the agricultural build-ing. Farms will be complete even as to stock, showing the development and growth in the number of animals now maintained on an average farm as compared with the number on a typical farm of 100 years ago. The sum of \$60,000 has been alloted to building these two farms.

#### Lighting Is Changed

Historical Society Building will offer an exhibit depicting the century's development of the rooms, beginning with a tepee up to the latest type room. Sixteen rooms, complete in every detail, will be furnished, in with \$60,000 to be spent for this exhibit. Lighting of the fairgrounds will

undergo vast changes. Streets have been renamed, bearing such new designations as Silver Street and Golden Boulevard, and in keeping with this, the lighting will represent the street it illuminates. New triple arches will span these streets.

**Fair Dates** 

## (Continued from page 59)

MARYLAND Leonardtown-St. Marys Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 17-19. Heath W. Steele, Great Mills, Md. MAINE

ew Gloucester-New Gloucester Fair Assn. Aug. 23. W. B. Harnden, Auburn. Me. New MICHIGAN

Richmond-Richmond Agrl. Assn. Sept. 3-6. Wilfred Trudgeon.

#### MINNESOTA

MINNESOTA Cambridge—Isanti Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 3-11. L. O. Carlson. Fairmont—Martin Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 23-25. Paul Peters, Sherburn, Minn. Fertile—Polk Co. Fair. July 15-17. J. W. Rese-land. Sauk Center—Stearns Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 12-15. F. L. Parsons.

#### MISSOURI

MISSOURI Marshfield—Webster Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 1-4. Ellis Jackson. Senath—Legion Dunklin Co. Fair. Sept. 27-Oct. 2. Lyle Richmond. West Plains—Howell Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 1-4. E. E. Thornburgh.

#### MONTANA

Glasgow-Valley Co. Fair. Aug. 10-12. Stephen J. Urs. amilton-Ravalli Co. Fair. Sept. 9-11. Glenn Chaffin.

#### NEBRASKA

Chadron-Dawes Co. Fair. Aug. 20-22. Harry Chadron-Dawes Co. Fair. Aug. 20-22. Hurr, Kuska. Hemingford-Box Butte Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 26-28. C. A. Burlew. Holdrege-Phelps Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 17-20. A. F. Johnson, Funk, Neb. Lincoln-Lancaster Co. Agrl. Assn. Sept. 5-10. B. F. Preston. Orleans-Harlan Co. Junior Fair. Aug. 19-21. W. A. Lennemann. Pierce-Pierce Co. Fair. Aug. 29-31. A. P. Gottsche. Stanton-Stanton Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 12-14. Dennis Suic. Valentine-Cherry Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 29-31. Jay Spelts.

#### NEVADA

Fallon-Nevada State Fair. Sept. 4-6. Don S. Chapman. NEW HAMPSHIRE

# Pittsfield—Pittsfield Fair Assn. Aug. 30-Sept. 4. E. W. Burr, Quincy, Mass.

NEW JERSEY Bridgeton-Cumberland Co. Co-op. Fair Assn. Sept. 14-18. Raymond R. Riley.

NEW YORK Ballston Spa-Saratoga Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 24-26. Wendell Townley. Brookheld-Madison Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 5-9. R. F. Burdick.

OREGON Gold Beach-Curry Co. Fair. Sept. 3-4. Georgia Fromm.

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#### PENNSYLVANIA

PENNSYLVANIA Conneautville—Community Fair. Sept. 16-18. Ethel M. Nicolis, Springboro, Pa. Derry—Derry Twp. Community Fair. Sept. 16-18. Joseph A. Greuble. Ford City—Armstrong Co. Fair. Sept. 6-9. W. B. Mechling. Lakewood—North Wayne Community Fair. Sept. 2-4. Clinton Leet. Pittsburgh—Allegheny Co. Free Fair. Sept. 2-6. John L. Hernon. 411 Court House. Red Lion—Gala Week Fair. July 19-24. R. M. Spangler, Hummels Wharf, Pa. Stoneboro—Stoneboro Fair. Sept. 2-6. Walter B. Parker.

B. Parker. Sugar Grove-Sugar Grove Community Fair. Sept. 9-11. Richard J. Sanders.

#### SOUTH DAKOTA

SUCTH DAROTA Nisland-Butte Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 26-28. Mrs. Ralph Milberg, Newell, S. D. Onida-Sully Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 26-28. John F. Neu. Rosebud-Rosebud Sioux Indian Fair. Aug. 26-28. Carl B. Asmodt 28. Carl B. Aamodt.

#### TENNESSEE

Hohenwald—Lewis Co. Fair. Aug. 25-28. W. G. Darden. Murfreesboro—Rutherford Co. Fair. Aug. 25-28. Burns Carroll. Union City—Obion Co. Fair. Sept, 20-25. Fred Latimer.

#### UTAH

Richfield-Sevier Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 1-3. Ernest R. Anderson.

VERMONT Hartland-Hartland Fair, Aug. 18-20. Max P. Rogers. Woodstock, Vt.

Vigers, Woldstote, V. VIRGINIA Chesterfield—Chesterfield Co. Fair. Sept. 23-25. J. C. McKesson, Richmond, Va. Fincastle—Botetourt Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 23-28. Agnes Booze. Lebanon—Russell Co. Fair. Sept. 23-25. J. S. Buckbergen

Lebanon-Russell Co. Fair. Sept. 23-25. J. S. Buchanan. Lynchburg-Campbell Co. Legion Fair. Sept. 6-11. S. J. Thompson, Rustburg. Va. Pennington Gap-Lee Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 6-11. R. C. Carter, mail care Virgil Wacks. Rocky Mount-Rocky Mount Fatr. Sept. 6-11. H. F. Frailn. Weirwood-Central Northampton Fair. Aug. 10-13. Chas. N. McCune, Chesapeake, Va.

WASHINGUNE, Chesapeake, Va. WASHINGTON Centralia—Southwest Wash. Fair. Aug. 26-29. Arthur W. Ehret. Cusick—Pend Oreille Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 27-29. B. Strayer, Newport, Wash. Darrington—Darrington Community Fair. Sept. 17-19. Muriel Fleming, Arlington, Wash.

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## **Revere Continus Dancing & Racing**

REVERE, Mass., April 10.-Dancef-the-month contests and racing ere Skating Arena, reports Carl usso, assistant manager and proessional.

March 25 finals in the spread eagle March 25 finals in the spread eagle valtz were won by Ann Makarevitch nd Richard D'Entrement, June oung and Thomas Curran, and Hilda odrique and Stephen Sardella, all f the Bal-A-Roue Club, Medford, Iass. Races were held March 31 vith Philip Zizza winning the one-nile event for senior men (2:09.20), ollowed by Edward Mahoney and aymond Gaudette. Frank Salvatore ook the half-miler race for novice ten (2:09.60), and Angelo Vigliotta on a half-mile special race (2:07.20). For the first week of April a one-nile race was held, and the rink has ile race was held, and the rink has cheduled two, three and five-mile aces for succeeding weeks. A trophy ill be awarded the skater amassing ne greatest number of points during ne month.

The April dance contest began hursday (1) in the nine-step waltz vith the following winners: Calista .oy and George Pyche, Andrew Cot-eau and Ann M. Mozzetta, and Rose ullo and George Flewellinger. Fials will be held April 29.

## **Battle Creek Downs** Muskegon in Racing

BATTLE CREEK, Mich., April 10. -Fourth of a series of Michigan in--Fourth of a series of Michigan in-ercity race meets was held at Skate-ind here March 30 between Skate-ind Racing Club and the Curvecrest acing Club, of Curvecrest Roller ink, Muskegon, the former winning y a 31 to 13 count, reports Robert . Baker, Skateland operator. In the next meet to be held here he Skateland club clashes with the lub of Palamar Roller Rink, Lansing. 'he clubs are in the process of train-ing for the State championships to e held at Curvecrest in late May, taker said.

aker said.

Skateland has also started a skateance contest open to anyone in the ity and vicinity. Competitions will e in the straight waltz, collegiate and tyle B waltz. Finals will be held origination pril 27.

Recent visitors at Skateland in-luded Mr. and Mrs. Perry Giles, urvecrest, Muskegon; Dale Perry, 'alamar, Lansing, and Mr. and Mrs. 'red Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Ed fartin, Detroit.



CISCO, Tex., April 10.—Unlike most clsCO, Tex., April 10.—Unlike most operators who experience peak busi-ness during winter months, S. E. Cearley, operator of a roller rink in Lake Cisco Park, four miles from town, does his heaviest business dur-ing the summer resort season and must scramble for business during the winter the winter.

While Cearley has found the mailing of advertising literature to schools within a 200-mile radius of Cisco, inviting students to hold parties at the rink, to be a good business builder, this has not entirely solved his winter problem.

Therefore he takes skates to some Therefore he takes skates to some high schools so that students may skate in the school gymnasiums. This plan, Cearley reports, has become popular with students. Some cf the sessions, he says, draw heavy at-tendance, and the plan is working so successfully that he contemplates ex-pansion of the operation to more schools. schools.

Cearley's rink is located above the bathhouse at Lake Cisco Park, which has a large artificial swim pool. Re-cently when his 44 by 110-foot maple floor showed signs of wearing out he covered it with plastic. So far, he says, it has given good service and the customers are pleased with it.

Cearley is planning a survey trip of other rinks to study methods of operation and programs.

# Fla. Operators Hop Rawson Bandwagon

CINCINNATI, April 10. -- Roba CINCINNATI, April 10. — Roba Chalfonte, who with her sister, Mrs. W. D. Keefer, operates Lake Worth (Fla.) Roller Rink, praises the Raw-son system in a letter to *The Bill-*board. Rawson, during his recent Florida vacation, visited the Lake Worth spot and gave the sister-op-erators the lowdown on his system of teaching roller skating.

Among other things, Miss Chalfonte reports that she and other personnel of the rink experienced noticeable improvement in their balance and ability to skate edges after Rawson adjusted their skates to flexible ac-tion and outlined his theory to them. Miss Chalfonte recommends that other operators investigate the sys-tem. In N. J. State

NEWARK, N. J., April 10.—A rec-ord number of skaters competed in the April 1 New Jersey State champ-

ionships of the Roller Skating Opera-

ionships of the Roller Skating Opera-tors' Association of the United States in New Dreamland Arena here, re-ported Victor J. Brown, New Dream-land operator. The contests were sponsored by the New Dreamland Skating and Social Club. Results: Juvenile girls, Carol I. Sandell, Riverview; Hazel L. Young, Ventnor, and Patricia Manning, Dreamland. Junior boys, Donald De-Roo, Paterson. Junior girls, Sherry J. Danner, Dreamland; Jean Becker, Riverview, and Marie DeGregorio, Dreamland. Novice men, Henry W. Malluck, Paterson; Kenneth Duncan,

Malluck, Paterson; Kenneth Duncan, Dreamland, and Raymond White, Paterson. Novice ladies, Eileen De-vino, Dreamland; Ruth Schulte, Pat-

don, Dreamland.

beek, Paterson.

**RSROA** Meet

# **NRROA** Sets Plans For Detroit Meet

CLEVELAND, April 10.—Al Col-lins, of Pla-Mor Roller Rink here and president of the National Roller Rink Operators' Association, reports the association will hold its annual skat-

association will hold its annual skat-ing contests soon in Forest Club Rol-ler Rink, Detroit. The association permits entry of Negro skaters in the contests, Collins said. Only a few cities will be repre-sented in the contest because the association has not been long organ-ized, Collins reported. There will be dance and free-style events for junior and novice skaters and speed skating.

#### Shermans Bow in Portsmouth

PORTSMOUTH, R. I., April 10.—A. A. and B. C. Sherman, new operators of Portsmouth Roller Rink on the nearby fairgrounds, report over-all business fair with matinee trade ex-ceptionally heavy. The Shermans recently reopened the spot after it had been shuttered for three years.



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LOS MOLINOS, Calif., April 10.-The Tehama County, California, March of Dimes campaign was en-riched by \$236.70 thru a benefit show staged recently at the Idyllwild Roller Rink here under sponsorship of the rink and *The Corning* (Calif.) *Ob-server*, reports Jack Roberts, Idyll-wild owner.

More than 500 people from Los Molinos and surrounding towns paid 50 cents to see the show which re-

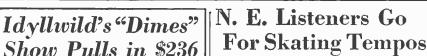
Molinos and surrounding towns paid 50 cents to see the show which re-ceived heavy advance publicity in five newspapers, including The San Francisco Examiner, 200 miles away, and 50 entertainers took part in the 10-act presentation, said Roberts. Among attractions presented were a roller hockey game and vocal, in-strumental and tap and acro dance numbers. There were also several fancy skating exhibitions and num-bers by the boys' and girls' glee clubs of the local high school. Parts of the program were recorded for rebroadcast by Station KBLF, Red Bluff, and a number of boxes of candy were awarded as prizes. Roberts reports business good in his territory, a farming belt. He depends upon radio and newspaper advertising and special events to draw people to the rink. Many of his party promotions are tied in with community events and organizations such as Boy Scout troops and 4-H clubs. Idyllwild has been successful in developing some good skaters, mostly exhibition type, who have

in developing some good skaters, mostly exhibition type, who have appeared at other rinks in the State, Roberts says. In 1915 he trouped with the Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus.

#### New Club Set at Manteca

MANTECA, Calif., April 10.—La Mar Williams, former member of the Martinez (Calif.) Figure Skating Club, has formed the Manteca Skat-ing Club at Manteca Roller Rink, operated by the Jarvises, former own-ers of Skateland, Martinez. The club has applied for membership in the has applied for membership in the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association and plans to send skaters to that organization's State competitions to be held in May at Pomona.

SIDNEY, O., April 10.—A roller rink project of the Shelby County Veterans of Foreign Wars post has been endorsed by State officials, ac-Portable 50x120 Flameproof Tent, #1 Northern Ma ple floor, 125 pair clamp skates, 25 pair shoe skates, P.A. system, etc. All complete and now in operation, only seven months old. Price, 88,000.00. Portable floor, 125 pair clamp skates, 25 pair shoe skates, one year old, 42x103 Flameproof Tent, Maple floor, 125 pair clamp skates, 25 pair shoe skates, ene, etc. All complete and now in operation. Price, 54,750. TILLINGHAST & RAY, c/o Roller Rink, Ferris, Texas



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MEDFORD, Mass., April 10.-Roller-skating record tempos are becoming popular with radio audiences of New England, according to Fred H. Freeman, executive of Dance-Tone Record Company here.

Record Company here. Called back from a Florida vaca-tion because of the press of business, Freeman reports that disk jockeys of WNAC, WBZ, WEEI, WHDH, WMEX, WLAW and WCOP have been using Dance-Tone disks, featuring an elec-tric organ-piano combination, singly and on quarter-hour periods devoted exclusively to spinning of the label's exclusively to spinning of the label's platters.

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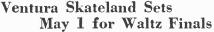
## Palomar Personnel **Taking to the Air**

LANSING, Mich., April 10.—"The most air-minded rink group in the country" is the claim of Dale Perry, co-owner of Palomar Roller Gardens here, for the rink's personnel and its skaters.

Perry, who recently bought a Cessna for use in visiting other rinks, reports that Bob Cosselman, Palomar organist, is the holder of a private license, and that a 12-member club known as the Flying Skaters was re-cently organized at the rink. Club members plan Sunday afternoon flights to other rinks in the area. Perry reports the idea is spreading

flights to other rinks in the area. Perry reports the idea is spreading. After flying Bob Baker, operator of Skateland, Battle Creek, Mich., from Lansing to Battle Creek, Baker an-nounced the next day that he had signed for a flying course. Another operator who pilots a plane occasion-ally, said Perry, is Perry Giles, of Curvecrest Roller Rink, Muskegon, Mich. Mich.

Mich. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Perry, Palomar co-owners, who have been wintering in Lakeland, Fla., are expected to re-turn late this month. New theater-type seats are expected to be installed soon in Palomar. The management also plans installation of acoustic tile at the rink's ends. This, along with the acoustic tile ceiling already in, is expected to reduce noise to a miniexpected to reduce noise to a minimum.



VENTURA, Calif., April 10.—A trophy and medals will be awarded the three finalists of a straight waltz contest scheduled to close May 1 at Skateland Roller Rink here, reports Charles L Deering co-operator with Charles L. Doering, co-operator with Ernest E. Carlson of Skateland.

In progress since February 8, when Skateland observed its anniversary, the eliminations have been held the first Saturday of each month since. Winners in the first elimination were Albert Darr and Marinne Boyd, while Sally Weidenfeller and James Bran-non copped the March contest.

Carl Taggesell is the pro in charge of the Ventura School of Roller Dancing, and junior and senior dance and figure clubs.

Rink personnel and a large group of skaters attended the recent State championship of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of the United States at Culver City Rollerdrome.

'Let's Swap Info,' Says C. W. Young

CINCINNATI, April 10.—"At ea of our meetings of the Californ chapter, Roller Skating Rink Ope ators' Association of the Unit States, we have a session devoted comparison of notes but I think comparison of notes, but I think is time that operators of every Sta start swapping notes in an effort sell skating," writes Charles V Young, operator of Alvarado Roll Rink, Richmond, Calif.

Rink, Richmond, Calif. "After operating rinks for years," Young continues, "I find good many unanswered questions of problems that come up daily. Of that comes up often is what pr cedure to use with various typ of skating parties.

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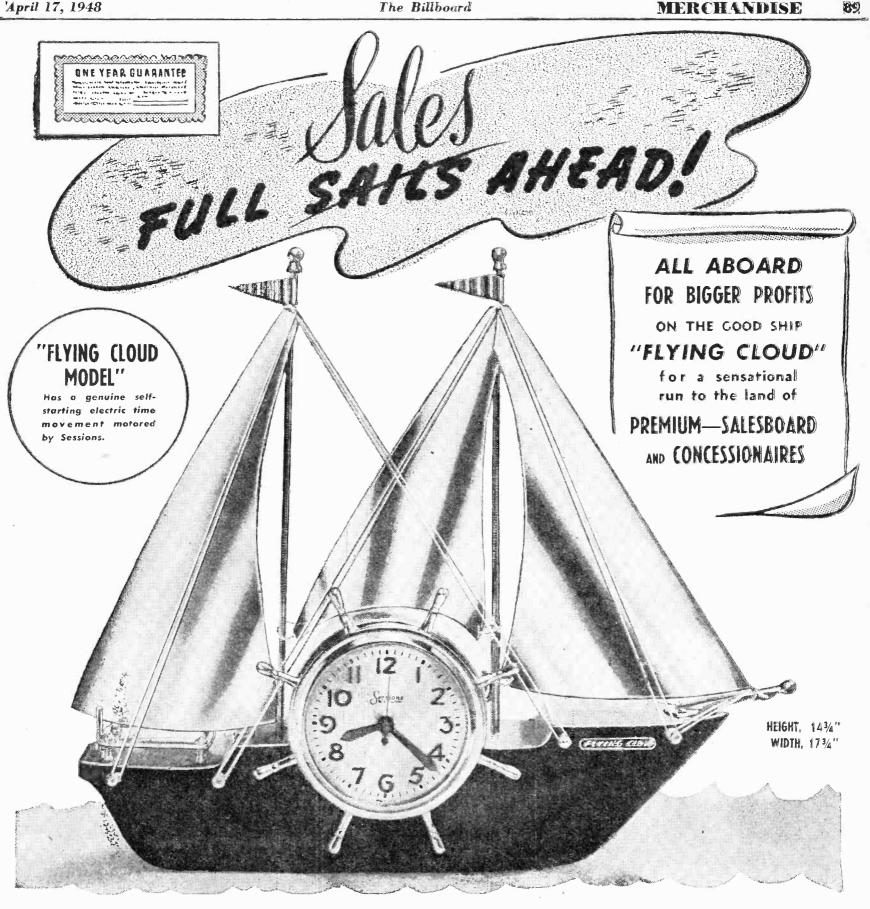
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that she and her husband have de-cided to join Hoxie Tucker, who will have the Mustard & Gravy Unit out this season with their gorilla show, instead of lining up with William Ketrow which they had originally planned to do. The Noells will have the concert on the Tucker attraction, which was slated to open the season in Folkston, Ga., April 12. in Folkston, Ga., April 12.

Fancy Freddie says: "It's much easier and safer for some folks to lie about themselves than it is for them to tell the truth."

"HAVEN'T SEEN ... any troupers down this way, as the town is closed," Tommy Adkins let-ters from Memphis. "There are a town is closed, Tommy Adkins let-ters from Memphis. "There are a few towns in Arkansas that are open but, as usual, one must know the right party. I've been working thru a drugstore in Forrest City, Ark., on Saturdays. I'm either too old or lazy to pitch every day, so I get what I can on Saturdays. I'd like to see more pipes from the boys and girls in the column. Last time I saw Doc Maxey he was in Winston Salem, N. C. It's been years since I last saw Sid Sidenberg. Let's have some pipes from H. B. Maxey, Bunny Carroll, Paul and Ethel Miller, Ada Miller, Lester Kane, Jimmie Miller, Jack Eagle Feather, Guy and Dorothy Warner and Madeline and Mary Ragan."

Why not make May days your pay days? What are your plans for Mother's Day. Decoration Day. Poppy Week. Na-tional Music Week, etc.?

#### WHAT HAS BECOME

WHAT HAS BECOME ... of Bob Posey is the question posed by Henry H. Varner from Akron. "I worked with Bob at Canadian fairs years ago and I met him in Toledo in 1938," Varner says. "He had an auction layout and was an all right gee and honest as a dollar. Pitchdom apparently is at its crossroads. Some want to organize, while others nix the idea entirely. But we are progressing, for without argument and banter we cannot go forward. Whatever way it turns out I'll be happy. The real results of an indi-vidual's work is summed up when he pays Uncle Sam before March 15, and some times the highest totals of



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payments designate the hardest workers. Busses are on strike here but the population keeps moving back and forth. Saw a worker with toss-ups and zepps a few days ago working in front of our largest department store. He did okay, too. The kids go for this line as the pay-outs will attest. Why don't some of those who are hibernating until the fair dates try a little sidewalk salesmanship? It's an outlet for your energy and a person often meets the best of people. Took in the Maple Sugar Festival at Chardon, O., and big crowds turned out daily. What a spot it would be for a clean worker, but the town is closed."

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#### MURRAY ARNOLD . . .

is in Milwaukee for a short visit with his sidekicks, Lee Cretarolo and Bob Henderson. Arnold's newest song, I'm Such a Lonely Guy is ready for publication, he reports.

Dull times go hand in foot with dull minds.

G. W. BROWNFIELD . . . is at the Ponce de Leon Hotel, Ro-anoke, Va., recovering from an opera-tion that had him hospitalized for four weeks.

Who was it who once cracked: "It's discreet to be sweet to those you meet?'

MR. AND MRS. JIMMY WALL are still on the sheet and making their home in Roanoke, Va. Jimmy says a number of the boys have passed thru town in the past two months. He adds that he'd like to read pipes here from the boys on the sheet in New England.

JACK PARKER . . . is reported to be working Milwaukee spots to lucrative turns.

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DR. MILTON BARTOK'S ... Bardex Medicine Company is being readied for its 1948 tour in Sarasota. Fla., quarters. This year's jaunt will get under way early in May. Org again will carry a 10-piece band. about eight comics and also will fea-ture radio hillbilly units three nights per week. Syd Carter, manager, and assistant to Bartok, is in Sarasota following a winter vacation in Los Angeles. Fred Reeders has recovered from a recent illness and is raring to go, as is Jim Arnold. DR MILTON BARTOK'S to go, as is Jim Arnold.

The successful pitchman can afford to make a few misses. The ordinary pitcheroo can't make any.

#### IF RESULTS . .

of last year's Greater Cincinnati Home Show at Music Hall are a cri-terion, the boys and girls who plan to make the 1948 event should find little difficulty in turning plenty of tips and corraling the greenbacks that go with it. Last year's event attracted over 65,000 visitors, and pitchmen working the affair reported topported business. This year's show topnotch business. This year's show-ing again will be held in Music Hall, May 15-23. Richard M. Sandberg, director, said last week that addi-tional space had been made available for exhibitors this year.

He's important enough to take two hours for lunch.

JAMES R. RUSSELL piping from New Orleans, comes thru with what he terms "the real low-down on the Mardi Gras City for pitching, peddling or sheetwriting." "The \$2.50, \$5.50, \$7.50 or \$12.50 per-mits," says Russell, "are worthless

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Many's the time a big tip and passouts sneaked thru a door you didn't remember leaving open.

MARION BARFKNECHT is reported to be working Charlie Lyon's cleaner at the F. W. Grand Store, Milwaukee, to good turns.

Pleasing and forceful personality is a combination that not only . attracts but holds tips.

THEY TELL US ... that Major Muster has returned to Rochester, N. Y., after a short vaca-tion in Canada.

The pitchman works on the theory that every day is Mother's Day. He brightens his tip's day every day.

#### BEATTY PULLS IN L. A.

BEATTY FULLS IN L. A. (Continued from page 53) ingly heavy and the Beatty org has received more air and tele breaks than any circus ever to play here. Shirley Carroll, who with her hus-band, Norman, now in the East, is handling local radio, is setting a pace that other radio-press representa-

band, Norman, now in the East, is handling local radio, is setting a pace that other radio-press representa-tives will find hard to top. In her first season as a circus publicity woman, Mrs. Carroll has lined up more than 40 regional and national radio programs. She has had as many as five interviews and other broadcasts a day. Three television programs from the lot have been set for the 12-day stand. Among air shows in which the Beatty Circus and personnel have participated are Queen for a Day, G. E. House Party, Tom Breneman's Breakfast in Hollywood, Smilin' Ed McConnel's Buster Brown, Abbott and Costello's kid show, People Are Funny, Kay Kyser show, Padded Cell, It's a Great Life, Free for All, Truth or Consequences, Surprise Package, Heart's Desire, Uncle Whoa Bill, Happy Theater, Johnny Murray Talks It Over, Norma Young show, Carveth Wells, Nelson Pringle, Favorite Story, Women's Views, Meet the Missus, Violet Schram show, Ladies' Day, Bill Leyden show, Steven Allen show, Russ Stewart show, Downtown and All Around, and Wizard and Criswell. **170 Spot Announcements** In addition to these plugs the show

**170 Spot Announcements** 

In addition to these plugs the show has been pounding away with 170 spot announcements handled by the

Ted Factor agency. The George Hanneford family will close with the North Hollywood date Sunday (18). Their featured spot will be taken by the DeWaynes, eight-person teeterboard and Risley act. The Hannefords will fill indoor and foir dates in the Fact

fair dates in the East. Paul Eagles will close his Los An-geles feed and fuel yard after the Beatty show leaves. He has leased the property.

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(Continued from page 53) mouths while trainer Hugo Schmidt lay on his back on the ring surface and one of the bulls straddled and completely hid his body from view.

The opening display of animal acts featured Damoo Dhotre, ex G.I., Ru-dolph Mathies and Konselman. The dolph Mathies and Konselman. doiph Mathies and Konselman. The well-trained polar bears, presented last year for the first time, are a pleasure to behold. Dhotre, as smooth a worker as there is, fondles his animals fearlessly as he puts the leopards, pumas and black jaguars thru smooth routines. Mathies's Bengal tigers are burge Bengal tigers are huge.

#### Rose Gould Handicapped Rose Gould, spectacular holdover

aerialist, who has the arena alone for her act, was thrilling altho able to ner act, was thriling altho able to present only part of her routine be-cause the operation of a riding me-chanic previously tore her trapeze from its mooring. However, she did do her breakaway.

The Liberty horses presented by Mroczkowski, Gena Lipkowska (Mrs. Mroczkowski) and Louis Gautier, were still in need of either additional training or orientating to the Garden rings since several broke on opening night.

Natal, the Monkey Man, a hit last year, is back again in his own display, and as popular as ever. His monkey-like climb up a vertical rope to the top of the Garden is a precise, show-stopping routine.

The Christian dogs failed to arrive as scheduled but the display went on with Naitto's dogs, Guerre's sea lions, Bostock's mules and dogs and Eldridge's chimps. The latter are extremely well trained and walk on crutches and stilts. They are worked by Beatrice Dante, a tall spectacular blonde.

#### **Jacobs Misses Preem**

Lou Jacobs and his miniature auto, a prime favorite last year, failed to appear but only as the result of bad opening night timing.

Only two clown production num-bers were presented, one a rocket gag and the other an elaborate spec called and the other an elaborate spec called Westward Whoa. Neither is close to the Adam Smasher presented dur-ing the past two seasons. The Westward number is well peopled, costumed and propped, for a take-off on covered wagon days, but, con-sidering the effort and production, it layed an egg, and there wasn't any indication that it could easily be turned into anything worthy of a turned into anything worthy of a lengthy display.

The Ringling clowns, headed by The Ringling clowns, headed by name favorites like Emmett Kelly, Felix Adler and Lou Jacobs, hold their own thru about a half dozen walkarounds. Lulu Albertino, Eng-lish import, whose husband died Tuesday night (6) during a radio broadcast, maintained the tradition that the show must go on and performed opening night.

Vocalist Added

An unusual touch was added by the vocalizing during the specs by tenor Bill Tabbett. The warbling still Bill Tabbett. The warbling still doesn't belong in the circus but its

doesn't belong in the circus but its inclusion, perhaps because it was good, went virtually unnoticed. Credited with active parts in the production other than those already mentioned were Miles White, who de-signed the show; Pat Valdo, general director; Esther Junger, choregra-phy; Thomas Farrar, art director; Robert Barnhart, technical director, and Frank Thompson, assistant to Mr. White. Special music and arrange-ments was by Henry Sullivan, as-sisted by Sammy Grossman. sisted by Sammy Grossman.

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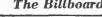
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#### SALESBOARD SIDELIGHTS

Thomas A. Walsh Manufacturing Company, Omaha, welcomed back Thomas A. Jr. last week from a combined business and pleasure trip thru Ohio. During the last four months, Thomas chalked up over 150,000 miles by plane and train, covering territory thru Colorado, Montana, Idaho, Washington and Oregon. While toano, wasnington and Oregon. While in Tacoma, Thomas made it a point to visit his friend of long standing, Jack Hamilton, of Olympic Sales Company; also met up with Irving Sax while there. Currently, firm's sales manager, R. A. Parsley, is mak-ing a swing thru Arkansas and Missouri. Missouri.

Jackie Neuman, general sales manager of Louis S. Cohn Manufacturing Company, Butte, Mont., said the words Friday (2) that made him a married man. He married a lovely San Francisco girl. Jackie will attend the NATD conclave in Chicago this week. . . . Joseph Berkowitz, after a week's rest from previous journeyings, is off again on a trip, this time to the West Coast. He plans one-day stops at Omaha, Denver, Salt Lake City, Boise, Portland, Seattle, San Francisco, Reno, Los Angeles, and Albuquerque. And he intends to do it all in the course of 11 Berkowitz gives some special days. plaudits to the newest member of his Universal Manufacturing Company, Kansas City, Mo., the Jar-O-Do plant. This is Sol Levinson, who fills the position of firm's general manager.

Harold Boex, vice-president of Pio-neer Manufacturing Company, Chi-cago, is due back Monday (12) from a business jaunt. . . . Gay Games, Inc., Muncie, Ind., is extending an invitation to "stop in and visit" to all boardmen passing thru the city. President Guy Noel promises callers an enjoyable talk-fest. . . . Kenny Anderson, artist at Harlich Manufac-turing Company, Chicago, became a father Friday (9) after pacing the floor at St. Lukes Hospital for hours. His wife, Pearl, presented him with a son, Gary Edward; both mother and a son, Gary Edward; both mother and baby are doing fine. So is dad. Sam baby are doing fine. So is dad. Sam Feldman, Harlich sales manager, re-lays the information that board busi-

## **Gay Games Reports 69 New Ticket Items**

MUNCIE, Ind., April 10.—Guy E. Noel, president of Gay Games, Inc., here, reports the firm's near-comple-tion of its two-year plant and ma-chinery expansion program is respon-sible for the multiple release of 69

suble for the multiple release of 09 new games items last week. New numbers, Rol-a-Tic items, are only a part of the company's 1948 program of "introducing a . . . new method of creating sales game items using the . . . jar and spindle game ticket," Noel said.

Firm's sales organization is cur rently presenting the new line in all parts of the country.

**POLACK BROS.' WESTERN** (Continued from page 54) man on the street in downtown In-dianapolis, the bulls squealing into the mike to excellent results.

Bobo Barnett is going into the automobile business with four cars.

automobile business with four cars. The latest is a new Buick station wagon. The Berosinis are also sport-ing a new Buick. Irene Barnes, mother of the writer, joined for the California trek. A farewell bachelors' dinner was given the Barnes boys the day before by Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Wiswell, with Mr. and Mrs. Gus Bell, Harold Ward and Mildred Keathley as guests. The Mr. and Mrs. Gus Bell, Harold Ward and Mildred Keathley as guests. The Moore brothers, Dwight and Sonny, had a joyful reunion. Visiting Bee Carsey and Rex Ronstrom were Mr. and Mrs. Elsman and "Fried Cakes" Faught.—HAROLD BARNES.

is uniformly good ness over the country, with orders coming in on a nice scale and shipments going out without delay.

Charles B. Leedy, Gardner & Company, Chicago, sales manager, says the firm's private bar and taproom is the favorite gathering place for many local board jobbers and operators. Drinks and victuals are always "on the house," Charles states. The room is finished in luxurious style: walnut bar, mirrored backbar, and convenient tables and chairs. The number of board people from various parts of the country who make the Gardner "fountain" a steady stopping off spot, are also legion, Charles vows. The large display room just off the bar features six tiers of shelves on the walls, spotlighting some 2,000 boards at all times. In Leedy's private sanctum, emblems and souvenirs from all the major gilling all the major airlines attest to his keen desire for air travel.

# Consolidated Exhibit At NATD Meet

### Will Show 76 Boards

CHICAGO, April 10.—Consolidated Manufacturing Company will intro-duce 76 new salesboards at the Na-tional Association of Tobacco Dis-tributors (NATD) meet in the Palmer House here April 12-17, Irving Sax, general sales manager, announced this week.

New lines will be shown at the firm's booth on the main exhibit floor, Sax stated. He added that a new idea in the way of tickets will be presented.

Attending the exhibit booth will be various members of the firm's Mid-west sales staff, in addition to Chester, Arnold and Irving Sax. National sales managers Louis Kaufman and Sam Rodos will also be on hand.



#### **CLYDE BEATTY**

(Continued from page 54) a gash in the head, the result of an accident. He was off a week. Cliff McDougal arrived on the lot in the usual way, followed by McCoy, secre-tary to Frank Walters. Shirley Carroll continually was

tary to Frank Walters. Shirley Carroll continually was kept on the go with the largest radio program ever credited the Beatty show in L. A. Programs included Abbott and Costello, Queen for a Day, Kay Kyser, People Are Funny, G. E. Houseparty and Tom Breneman, among others. among others.

Numerous showfolk have visited, including Billy Hammond; Claire Levine, who joined the ballet for L. A.; Georgie Royce; Harold Voise, who Georgie Royce; Harold Voise, who unknowingly filled in one of the bar acts, as did Jimmy Essex; Olga Cel-este; Alex Lowande, who visited his brother, Oscar; Harold Hall, who put on make-up for one show; the Tom Kitchens, John and Ida Mae Sabo, Ben Beno, Fay Avalon, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Maddeaux, Si Otis; K. E. Sim-mons, Crawfordsville, Ind.; Buddy and Valerie LaForm, visiting the in-laws; the Antaleks, Anita and Rubin Olvera, Roberto Yacopi, Pauline and Claude Webb, Mark Smith, Slats Bee-son and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Kortes.— DICK ANDERSON.

#### **POLACK BROS.' EASTERN**

(Continued from page 54) (Continued from page 54) matinee the chain on the motorcycle broke, throwing Fu. That night, Emil again encountered trouble with the cycle and this time with Fu, who delivered a hard blow to Emil's head. Emil was uninjured, however, and everything went smoothly the next day. day.

everything went smoothly the next day. Fragments—Mary Kinko celebrated her birthday and she is proud of the lapel watch Kinko gave her. . . . Gene Randow is at it again. He now has Mrs. Borza and Nita, Mrs. Pol-ack's sister, and Roland and Adrianna Erickson stooging for him in the come-in, not to mention Hanna Pal-lengerg and Marshall Lewis. The question still is: What is Gene going to do when there are no people left? . . . Malikova and daughter, Wanda, practicing high wire. . . . Elmer Santana, another early riser to keep in trim. . . Gene Randow wonder-ing who nailed the tray lid of his trunk down. . . Rudy Docky's head still aching from the blow he received when his soccer playing boxers plowed thru Mario Ivanov's wire rig-ging upsetting it on Rudy's head.— BILLY BARTON.

## GARDEN BROS.

(Continued from page 54) desert-bred Arabian stallion which does everything but talk and which is ridden and presented by Line Valty, a charming blond French miss garbed in wardrobe out of this world, and in wardrobe out of this world, and Jacques Gordon, a juggling wizard, who does almost everything in the juggling line while riding a unicycle atop a small highly elevated table. The Lamars flying act; Happy Har-

rison, with his dogs and ponies, and the Gretonas were extra added attractions for the Toronto engagement. They left for the States and previously booked dates. Seen about—Mrs. Bill Garden and

Seen about—Mrs. Bill Garden and the twins, Norma and Richard, in a smart new outfit each day. . . . Bobby Carr, who clowned with her father, Bobo Carr, our producing clown, last season. She is in nurses training now. . . Prof. George Kel-ler and his assistants, Charles Stauf-fer and Kenneth Johnson, who mo-tored from Bloomsburg, Pa., to catch our show—they helped capture She-ba, the wandering lioness. . . E. W. Cripps, of Brantford, Ont., also was on hand. Since the 6,000-mile trek of Jacobs,

on hand. Since the 6,000-mile trek of Jacobs, Inc., from Hilo, Hawaii, Bill Wood-cock has been mighty busy with his charges, Modoc, Empress and Judy. They developed sea legs in the three weeks' journey. The girls (elephants) are all right now but very unhappy about this weather, with snow the first part of the week and still a bit nippy. But the Canadians swear it how about sending us some of that good Hawaiian weather minus the Hilo rains? Still Aloha.—DOLLY JACOBS.

#### **DAVENPORT-WRIGHT** (Continued from page 54)

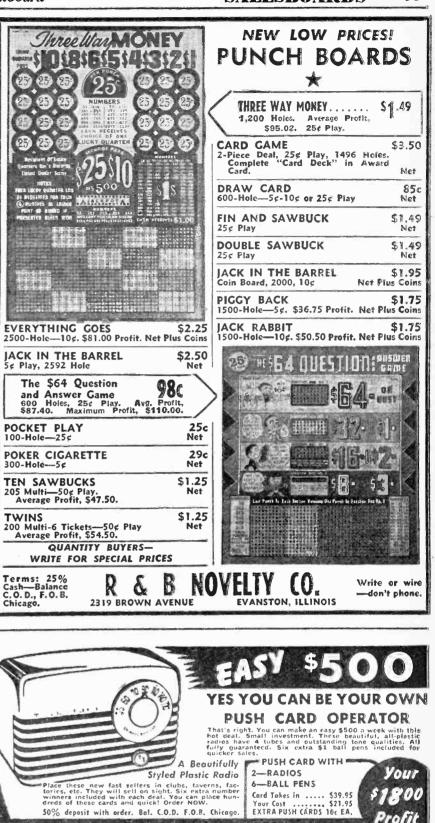
sway pole, Hubert Castle, the Kelly-Miller elephants, George Valentine, Lorraine and Sue and the Three D's, Bert and Corinne Dearo, Eva and Joe Lewis, and Micky Freeman. The junior member of the atomic walkes Data Cristioni loft for Helly

wolves, Pete Cristiani, left for Hollywood.

Visitors were Ed Huhlick, Jimmie Ray, Micky Grimm, Jimmy Cogswell, Red Carter and R. M. Cathers, who entertained a few of the boys at the Athletic Club. Earl Shipley was visited by the usual number of rela-tives. Last, but not least, the AGVA tives. man was here again .-- DICK LEWIS



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CHICAGO, April 10 .- As a result CMI members have contributed in

**Final Agenda** CHICAGO, April 10.—As a result of the success of the cancer fund cam-paign of the Coin Machine Industries, Inc. (CMI), the Chicago Tumor Insti-tute received a check for \$25,000 for cancer research. The presentation was made by David Gottlieb, CMI presi-dent, at a citation dinner of the Jennie Rubenstein Memorial Fund Sunday (4). Gottlieb, who also ad-dressed the dinner, was assisted in the presentation by Meyer Gensburg, of the Genco Manufacturing & Sales Company.

of the Genco Manufacturing & Sales Company. The \$25,000 was allotted to the tumor institute by Walter Winchell and the directors of the Damon Run-yon Memorial Cancer Fund, to which

excess of \$250,000. The dinner was held at the Cove-

The dinner was held at the Cove-nant Club, Chicago, and was attended by over 600 guests, including civic leaders, medical authorities and con-tributors to the CMI and the Jennie Rubenstein funds. The latter agency presented a check for \$10,000 to the institute during the course of the evening evening.

Due to the fact that many persons were unable to attend the April 4 dinner, because of seating limitations, a repeat performance was scheduled for April 11, at which time Dr. Louis Man, of Sinai Temple, was scheduled to preside.

# A. Gilmore Resigns Post **CMI Secretary - Manager** AS

CHICAGO, April 10.—James A. Gilmore, who has been associated with the Coin Machine Industries, Inc. (CMI), since 1938, and who has been serving as secretary-manager and a member of the board of direc-tors, this week tendered his resigna-tion to the organization. The resign

tors, this week tendered his resigna-tion to the organization. The resig-nation was accepted by the CMI board at its meeting Tuesday (6). In recognition of his service and efforts in the behalf of the industry, the CMI directors, after accepting the resignation, voted Gilmore a pension. Dudley Ruttenberg, CMI's director of the logal taxation and public relations

divisions, will, temporarily take over Gilmore's duties.

"We regret Jim's decision to leave us and wish him every success in the future," said Dave Gottlieb, CMI president. "He has been a loyal associate."

Gilmore's association with the coin machine industry dates back to the formation of the CMI. His initial duties with the organization called for efforts in the behalf of the industry, the CMI directors, after accepting the resignation, voted Gilmore a pension. Dudley Ruttenberg, CMI's director of the legal, taxation and public relations (*See J. A. Gilmore Quits on page 116*)

# **Calendar for Coinmen**

April 12-16—National Association of Tobacco Distributors (NATD), annual convention and exhibit, Palmer House, Chicago. April 14—Ohio State Phonograph Owners' Association, annual convention, Hollenden Hotel, Celeveland. April 21—National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA), Revion V (Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia, Michigan), Netherland Plaza Hotel, Cincinnati. Hugh C. Howes, chairman. April 23-24—National Automatic Merchandising Association, Region IV (North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida), Grove Park Inn, Asheville, N. C. J. Herman Saxon, chairman. April 26-30—American Management Association (AMA), annual packaging conference and exposition, Cleveland Auditorium, Cleve-land.

packaging conference and exposition, Cleveland Addression, April 26-27—South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin State operator associations, convention and exhibit, Hotel Radisson, Minneapolis. April 30-May 1—National Automatic Merchandising Association, Region IX (Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas), St. Charles Hotel, New Orleans. May 7-8—National Automatic Merchandising Association, Region III and A (Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania), Mayflower Hotel, Washington. Neill Mitchell, chairman Region A, Aaron Goldman, chairman Region III. May 23-27—Super Market Institute (SMI), Stevens Hotel, Chicago.

Chicago. June 13-19—National Dairy Council (NDC), convention, Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago. June 14-16—National Candy Wholesalers' Association, Inc.
(NCWA), convention and exposition, Sherman Hotel, Chicago. June 14-17—Radio Manufacturers' Association (RMA), convention and exposition, Stevens Hotel, Chicago. June 28-30 — National Small Business Men's Association (NSBMA), convention, Palmer House, Chicago.

# **Starts Slowly**

#### Curtailed juke output, drop in appliance sales termed leading factors

CHICAGO, April 10 .- Pinch on the flow of parts and supplies as incor-porated in the manufacture and repair flow of parts and supplies as incor-porated in the manufacture and repair of coin machines of all types has begun to ease somewhat since the first of the year, it was learned this week following a survey of manufac-turers and suppliers of the coin ma-chine industry. Brought on as a natural aftermath of reconversion from war emergency production to catching up on the vast backlog of civilian needs, the change in the sup-ply picture for the first time since V-J Day is definitely toward more abundant flow of materials. As stated by several trade and sup-plier authorities, the reason why the shift in the supplier market occurred following the new year is that the public in general curtailed its buying of household appliances sharply, as well as all forms of unnecessary spending, immediately after the Christmas buying rush. At first this cutback was looked upon as a seasonal factor and it was anticipated that the strong demand for most home appli-

factor and it was anticipated that the strong demand for most home appli-ances would come back on a strong (See Coin Parts Flow on page 116)

# **Coal Strike Brings** New **Rail Curbs**

#### Second Cutback 25%

WASHINGTON, April 10. — Coin machine manufacturers using coal-burning railroads for freight hauling will share with industry generally a tightening of restrictions on freight space as result of an Office of De-fense Transportation (ODT) an-nouncement Friday (9) of an addi-tional 25 per cent freight cut for coal burning lines effective midnight Thursday (15). The new cut is in addition to a pre-

The new cut is in addition to a pre-vious cutback of similar size and re-duces freight service over coal lines to half that in effect prior to the coal walkout.

Meanwhile, with the coal tie-up the Commerce Department revealed it is surveying the entire steel output situation once again altho there is no situation once again altho there is no immediate prospect of a move toward anything beyond current proposed system of voluntary allocations. Steel Founders Society of America, which represents practically the entire steel castings industry, conferred with Commerce officials this week on the voluntary program. The industry said it was operating at 60 per cent of capacity. of capacity.

nnual regional convention of Minesota, Wisconsin, North and South akota operator associations in the adisson Hotel here April 26-27, conention visitors are assured of a topight entertainment program, Ken erguson, publicity chairman for the vent, disclosed this week. Sponsors f the four-State conclave are the /isconsin Phonograph Operators' Aslisconsin Phonograph Operators' ssociation, Minnesota Amusement ames Association, North Dakota perators' Music Association and the outh Dakota Phonograph Operators' ssociation.

An address by Homer E. Capehart, hairman of the board for Packard Ianufacturing Corporation, at the uesday (27) convention banquet ill be followed by personal appearnces by such nationally known arttes by such nationally known art-its as Stan Kenton, the King Cole rio, June Christy, and the orchestras f Lawrence Duchow, Fez Fritsche nd Spike Haskell, intermixed with n array of night club acts and radio eadliners. Several other well-known ecording artists are expected to take an appearance.

#### **On Mezzanine**

Exhibits for the two-day conven-ion will be located on the mezzanine oor of the Radisson. Ferguson said hat the interest shown by coin firms rom distant points other than in the our States involved, as well as oper-tor inquiries from as far away as the last and West coasts, has insured a lational representation at the reional conclave.

Full program for the convention s released by Ferguson is as follows: Monday (26): Exhibit floor open rom 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also from to 10 p.m. During the hours be-ween 1 and 5 p.m. there will be an pen meeting in the Gold Room of the readisson ladisson.

Tuesday (27): Exhibit floor open rom 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Convention anquet begins at 6 p.m. Feature ad-ess by Homer E. Capehart, followed by entertainment program by many of the nation's leading recording, adio and night club personalities.

Ferguson revealed that banquet ickets are being sold on a first-come ickets are being sold on a first-come irst-serve basis. In order to obtain hese tickets for this event contact with the Minnesota Amusement James Association should be made it 713 Pioneer Building, St. Paul. Cickets are priced at \$5.



#### **Cigarette and cigar vender** mfrs. to display wares debate arouses interest

NEW YORK, April 10.-With many hundreds of tobacco dealers and business men in allied industries trekking to Chicago for the opening of the week-long annual convention of the National Association of Tobacco Distributors (NATD) at the Palmer House Monday (12), much advance interest has been aroused concerning the opening day's debate, "Can We Afford to Discontinue Handling Cigarettes?" according to Jerome Kaufman, NATD director of industry and public affairs.

The debate, which is sure to touch off a spirited discussion, is scheduled for Monday at 2:15 p.m. Bert Cun-ningham, vice-president of the Henry Strauss Company, Cincinnati, will uphold the affirmative; Marcus Clasor president of Clasor Para Glaser, president of Glaser Bros., San Francisco, the negative.

#### Trend Already Begun

A trend toward discontinuing cigarettes in the set-ups of tobacco dis-tributors has already been noticed, with an important example being **F**. A. Davis & Sons, large Baltimore distributor, who eliminated this phase of his business about two months ago. Others are known to be considering the same action.

It has been pointed out by industry leaders that the large overhead and low per-unit profit, which are general rules in cigarette distribution, general rules in cigarette distribution, are behind the trend. Need for large storage facilities, frequent deliveries to retail outlets and the excessive handling this requires are making this part of the tobacco distributors' business unprofitable. And many in the industry feel that the solution lies, perhaps, in taking on other lines such as candy and sundries as a way out. out.

But on the other side of the ledger, opponents of the trend are wary of the effect discontinuance of cigarette distribution will have on their total business operation. They want to know how such action will affect their sales of other items. Retailers may transfer their business for other items to wholesalers who service their cigarette needs, these persons point cigarette needs, these persons point out.

#### **Effect on Machines**

And meanwhile, the important ef-And meanwhile, the important ef-fect of such a trend, if continued, on the vending machine business cannot be underestimated. One immediate effect may be a marked increase in the use of cigarette venders in loca-tions normally selling the smokes over the counter. Another possibility is that cigarette machine operators, who normally handle a large amount of cigarettes, may find it profitable of cigarettes, may find it profitable to take over distribution to certain retailers as an added phase of their business.

Thirty-five different aspects of to-bacco distribution will be discussed at the NATD confab (*The Billboard*, April 3), with nine vending machine manufacturers exhibiting.

# Chi Firm Ships First Candy Venders to Saudi Arabian Co. Of Candy Up

CHICAGO, April 10.—First ship-ment of merchandise vending ma-chines for Saudi Arabia left the port of New York Monday (5) after a large Arabian trading company, thru a personal visit by its director, Sheik Abdullah M. S. Bahamdein, had pur-chased them last month from the Vendall Company. A. Garrick Alex, president of Vendall, said the Sheik admitted first becoming interested in the vast-ness of American vending machine

ness of American vending machine industry while visiting the vending and coin machine shows held here last December and January.

#### First Venders

Affirming that the firm's candy venders would be the first of this or any other type of vending equipment to be put in operation in his country, Sheik Bahamdein, accompanied by a member of the Royal Saudian lega-tion in Washington, who acted as an interpretor, said he thought the fu-ture use of similar equipment would be feasible in his native land. He be feasible in his native land. He brought samples of native coinage with him so as to permit proper ad-justment of coin mechanisms to han-dle the different size coins, Alex stated.

stated. Ordering the company's eight-col-umn type machines, the Sheik made arrangements for future delivery of a second shipment of five-column units, each order accompanied by another for a large quantity of spare parts. According to Vendall's sales manager, William Fuller, the eight-column machines were to vend a type of cookie and also various kinds of packaged candy, while the smaller units were to be used to handle a product that "was about as universal in Saudi Arabia as gum is in the U. S." All machines shipped were equipped with stands, as the wall mounting of units was not desired. The Saudi Arabian half Riyal (about the size of a U. S. quarter) will be used in the eight-column (See Saudi Arabian Co. on page 105)

venders, while a one-fourth Riyal (roughly the size of a nickel) will be used in the smaller units. As of Monday (5) the rate of exchange placed the Arabian half Riyal at 154cents and the one-fourth Riyal, there-fore at  $7\frac{5}{6}$  cents. This means that with each purchase the Arabian vender patron will be spending a larger portion of his wages for his native candy and cookies than the American does for similar merchan-dise (a vended candy item there will cost  $15\frac{1}{4}$  cents, or the half Riyal). Vendall chief engineer, Francis L. Newton, made the necessary changes in the coin mechanism's actuating arm; shortening it to permit use of

in the coin mechanism's actualing arm; shortening it to permit use of the half Riyal piece and lengthening in to accommodate the smaller fourth Riyal coin. Coin thicknesses were compensated for by use of either an embossed face plate (for the thinner coin) and addition of shims behind the plate for the thicker coin. The slug rejectors were altered by their manufacturer, National Slug Rejector, upon order. The Sheik specified that the slug rejectors be retained and made to handle the two Saudi Ara-bian coins that would be used. He indicated that in addition to the ex-istence of many counterfeit coins and istence of many counterfeit coins and slugs, his country also minted a num-ber of coins of a similar size but of a different value than the half Riyal

Vast Corporation Indicative of the importance and size of the Arabian trading firm rep-resented by Sheik Bahamdien is the fact that it controls the nation's vast cookie industry, operating two such plants and one candy fac-tory. In addition, the group owns a cargo steamship line, textile mills and two-thirds of the approximately 2,500 passenger autos in the country. The latter are rented to individuals who, it seems, prefer this method of opera-

# **Dollar Sales** 18 Per Cent

#### **Note Poundage Increase**

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Censu Bureau this week reported that dolla sales of confectionery manufacturer were 18 per cent higher in Februar than they were a year ago the sam month, and that the February, 194 sales were 5 per cent higher than th preceding month.

preceding month. Dollar sales reported for Februar by chocolate manufacturers an manufacturer - wholesalers reveale 45 and 14 per cent increases respec tively over the same month in 1946 However, manufacturer-retailer sale declined 6 per cent. Poundage sales for February as re ported by 123 manufacturers showed

ported by 123 manufacturers showe an 11 per cent increase over February 1946, while the dollar volume in th same report revealed increases of 2 per cent.

# NAMA Region 5 In Cincy Meet

CINCINNATI, April 10.—Region of the National Automatic Merchan dising Association (NAMA) will mee Wednesday, April 21. The regiona meeting will draw operators from Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia an

Michigan. This will mark the first time Region V has met in Cincinnati. The meet will be preceded the nigh

of April 20 with a special meeting fo automatic merchandising operator from Kentucky. Purpose of the Ken tucky meeting is to discuss recen legislation enacted in the State whic places a per-machine tax on venders

# **New FTC Candy Code Set;** Lists 21 Revised Rules

WASHINGTON, April 10. new code of trade practices for the wholesale confectionery industry wholesale confectionery mussify drawn up by industry leaders and Federal Trade Commission (FTC) goes into effect May 2 with only a few minor changes from the original draft.

Listed in the code finally promul-Listed in the code finally promul-gated by FTC last week are 21 rules defining "unfair" trade practices, any violations of which will be prosecuted by FTC. In addition, the code pre-scribes four supplementary regula-tions "considered to be conducive to sound business methods." These lat-ter provisions, however, do not have the force of law.

Cite Bans Among practices banned in the candy code are misrepresentation and candy code are misrepresentation and new M deception on any level, imitation or simulation of trade-marks, use of lottery schemes, use of "loss leaders," tie-in sales, defamation of competi-tors, "commercial bribery," inducing breach of contract, combination to fix prices or suppress competition, un-justified price discriminations, and grams.

false threats of infringement suits. The "sound business methods" outlined in the code provide for the gathering of industry statistics, lawful co-operation among industry members, use of "open-form" contracts, and for the carrying out of both written and oral contracts "in letter and spirit."

oral contracts "in letter and spirit." **Two-Year Effort** Promulgation of the candy code climaxed over two years of effort on the part of National Candy Whole-salers Association (NCWA) to have a set of rules enacted. According to NCWA, the final draft closely follows the original set of rules first sub-mitted to FTC by the jobber group. Chief change made in FTC's orig-inal draft came at the suggestion of NCWA. This involved the rule ban-ning lottery schemes. Omitted from the rule were the phrases, "promote the sale" and "gift enterprises." This wording was objected to by NCWA on the grounds that it could be used to ban candy jobbers from sponsoring so-called "give-away" radio pro-grams.

Complete Study on Ice Cream Values

CHICAGO, April 10. — The firs complete analysis of the nutritiv values of ice cream has been com pleted by Dr. A. C. Dahlberg of th department of dairy industry in con junction with Dr. J. K. Loosli, of th department of animal husbandry a Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y. In summary, the report states tha an average serving, approximatel 1/6 of a quart, contains the followin nutrients: calories, 206; protein, 3.8 gm.; fat, 12.06 gm.; carbohydrates 21.31 gm.; total minerals, 0.81 gm calcium, 0.122 gm.; phosphorous, 0.10 gm.; iron, 0.120 gm.; thiamine, 0.03 gm.; riboflavin, 0.236 mg.; niacir 0.098 mg.; vitamin A, 548 interna tional units, and ascorbic acid, 0 mg The study was undertaken at th suggestion of the National Dair Council. Council.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., April 10.– Paul F. Beich Company here ha announced the appointment of Juliu Gerth as traffic manager. Gerth who succeeds Russell Bartel, ha been with the company 20 years holding various positions connecte with shipping and sales promotion

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## VENDING MACHINES 100 The Billboard April 17, 1948 Cup Vending Firms Form Ass' 12 Companies Operators in Fox River Valley Vendall Intros Service Tray Form Nucleus See Increased Locations, Play For Vender Ops **Of New Group** AURORA, Ill., April 10.—Recent area, altho recently there has been developments on the industrial scene a marked increase in the use of have brought high hopes for vending venders in other types of locations. CHICAGO, April 10.-William Fulmachine operators in the Fox River

#### **Invite New Membership**

NEW YORK, April 10.-Twelve of NEW YORK, April 10.—Twelve of the largest cup vending firms in this area, controlling most of the coin-operated carbonated drink cup ma-chines now on location in the city, have formed an association to further their interact. their interests. Named the Auto-matic Cup Dispensers' Association (ACDA), the group issued an open invitation this week for other firms in the industry here to join. The association, first of its kind in

The association, first of its kind in the country, limited its membership to soft drink cup machine operators and has no official connection with any national group. Summing up its projected function within the indus-try, the ACDA constitution contains the following statement: "To provide help and assistance to all members relative to problems of taxation, sanitation, discriminatory legislation and all other mutual com-mon problems pertaining to automatic

mon problems pertaining to automatic carbonated bulk beverage machine operation in the New York City (See Cup Venders Form on page 102)

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Valley. With the European Recovery Pro-

With the European Recovery Pro-gram (ERP) and increased expendi-tures for equipment for the armed forces both indicating industrial ex-pansion in this area, local operators are looking forward to an increase in the number of locations and bus-iness at established locations.

Altho it has long been an important industrial area, the Fox River Valley saw a great wartime boom during World War II. There has been very little drop in production during the post-war period thus far, but local industry officials have been expecting a leveling off. However, with ERP now law and increased production of arms expected momentarily, the con-sensus locally is that there will be an increase in production rather than a leveling off. Altho it has long been an important leveling off.

One indication that there already has been an increase in industry ac-tivity here is the fact that many local plants are having a hard job finding enough workers to take care

of their requirements. Industrial locations are tops with vending machine operators in this

Q Automatic Sales Company, leading local operating firm which until re-cently was 100 per cent industrial in its vender operations, has expanded its operations to include several pub-lic locations.

lic locations. Among the new locations which Q Automatic has expanded into are schools, hospitals and a telephone exchange. In most cases venders have been located to reach transient trade in such establishments. Prin-cipal venders in these locations are candy and cigarette. Edward Baratz, head of Q Auto-matic, reports that he is now sold on the practicability of combining in-dustrial and non-industrial locations, he says, are showing better grosses

he says, are showing better grosses than top industrial locations. For

than top industrial locations. For instance, some of the hospital-located cigarette venders are beating the sales records of similar machines located in busy plants. Altho many of the non-industrial locations are proving excellent candy vender spots, Baratz reports that the majority are better for cigarettes than confections. Schools have proven excellent candy locations sales-wise but prob-

candy locations sales-wise, but prob-lems in disposal of wrappers are still plaguing this operation. Most school officials, Baratz says, are favorably impressed with the venders outside of the uncommunication and the second

To handle his expansion, Baratz recently purchased 200 new venders from a local manufacturer, but with increased industrial activity in the offing he feels that even greater ex-pansion may be necessary in the near future.

ler, Vendall Company sales manager, ler, vendall Company sales manager, announced production this week on the firm's recently introduced mer-chandise service tray for vender op-erators featuring all stainless steel construction and an "open-grill bot-

construction and an "open-grill bot-tom to maintain high sanitary condi-tions and eliminate scrub-out chores." The tray weighs 7½ pounds empty. Standing 12 inches high, 24 inches long and 6 inches deep, it contains eight 6 by 5½-inch compartments with two 6 by 2-inch compartments in the center. Latter are designed to hold service cards, cleaning cloths and various small tools. Tray sec-tions are welded and tray's aluminum bar handle provides a convenient grip. grip.

## Kwik Shoe Shine Sets W. Coast Distributor

LOS ANGELES, April 10 .- Automatic Enterprises recently were ap-pointed distributors for the Kwik shoe shine machine in Southern Cali-fornia and Arizona, according to an announcement by company officials. Bob Bell and R. E. Smith head Automatic Enterprises. Dick Haupt has been named field representative for the firm Kwilk Shoe Shine Me for the firm. Kwik Shoe Shine Ma-chine Company is owned by George

chine Company is owned by George Rudorf. Kwik machines are operating in inany Hollywood locations. Among these are the Palladium, Earl Car-roll's Night Club, Hollywood YMCA and several local bus depots. It is reported that a number of bowling alleys are also being lined up.



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Chi Tobacco Table To Host Distribs At NATD Luncheon

CHICAGO, April 10.-The Chicago CHICAGO, April 10.—The Chicago Tobacco Table will play host to the nation's tobacco men during a special luncheon in the Grand Ballroom of the Palmer House here Tuesday (13), Jack Kelner, owner of Kelner Vendors, and table chairman, has announced.

Kelner, who stated that all tickets for the event have already been sold, announced that following the busi-ness side of the annual luncheon, ness side of the annual luncheon, which is an integral part of the Na-tional Association of Tobacco Dis-tributors convention, there will be an all-star entertainment program. Pinky Tracy, prominent night club impresario, will emsee the show which will include a skit by Art Briese on the launching of the "American Bureaucrat Political Party." Party."

#### **Texas Cig Sales Climb**

AUSTIN, April 10.—Cigarette con-sumption thruout the State continued to increase during March, according to a report by State Treasurer Jesse to a report by State Treasurer Jesse James. Texas netted \$1,809,366.36 during March thru the sale of cig-arette stamps, as compared with \$1,649,983.79 in March 1947, an in-crease of \$159,382.57. The March figure was \$189,758.76 ahead of the February total of \$1,619,607.60.



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# Ice Cream's **Cost Causing Much Concern**

**Philly Ops May Up Price** 

PHILADELPHIA, April 10.erators of ice cream vending ma-chines, with their heavy sales season

chines, with their heavy sales season approaching, are much concerned over the increase in the price of ice cream. In the stores the 5-cent single dip of ice cream that has been selling in many places for 6 cents has now been increased to 7 cents. Producers, in a letter to retailers, attributed the higher prices to higher cream and labor costs. While the announced rate of increase varied with different companies, one con-cern, regarded as typical, began charging 39 cents a quart, an increase of 1 cent. Cream prices were 27 of 1 cent. Cream prices were 27 per cent higher than last year and labor costs moved up 15 per cent, they pointed out. Inability to continue selling 5-cent

bricks thru the vending machines will create a serious problem. It may mean, in the opinion of local ops, that like the case of soft drinks which like the case of soft drinks which require an additional penny tax, op-erators will have to add an extra chute to their machines to take in the additional penny or two. In view of the increased ice cream cost now, and the anticipation of another in-crease this summer, the nickel will never cover the cost. Moreover, op-erators feel that they can ill-afford to absorb the cost of any additional increases, pointing out that they did absorb the ice cream price boost first made last October.

# Amer. Tobacco Co. **In Stockholder Meet**

of the American Tobacco Company were upheld by an overwhelming ma-jority at the firm's annual meeting Wednesday (7). The recent switch in advertising agencies and the resig-nation of George Washington Hill Jr. as vice-president and director of the firm were not discussed during the meeting, but Vincent Riggio, presi-dent offored to approximate questions.

meeting, but Vincent Riggio, presi-dent, offered to answer any questions on this score either in private or thru the mails. According to Riggio, in his address to the assembled stockholders, the sales of all cigarettes during January and February of this year declined 7 per cent from the level of the same two months in 1946. However, retwo months in 1946. However, re-ported Riggio, American Tobacco's sales in that same period increased by more than 4 per cent. During the first quarter of the current year the

first quarter of the current year the sales of Lucky Strike cigarettes were up 5 per cent, while in March the increase reached 12½ per cent. During 1946 and 1947, said Riggio, American Tobacco transferred more than \$25,000,000 to surplus, while last year alone the company's surplus in-creased by an amount greater than in the previous 15 years

Treased by an amount greater than in the previous 15 years. Stockholders re-elected the entire 17-man board of directors, including Douglas W. Brashear, who succeeded Hill Jr., to the board upon the lat-ter's resignation in March. Two proposals, introduced by stock-bolders and opposed by the manage-

holders and opposed by the manage-ment, were both defeated. These would have restricted the incentive compensation plan to the president and five vice-presidents, and to re-strict the salaries of the president to <sup>6200</sup> 000 and the vice-presidents' in-\$200,000 and the vice-president to \$200,000 and the vice-presidents' in-come to \$150,000 each. A change in stock was approved, whereby Class B common shares will be eliminated from the corporate set-up.







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**Officers** Elected

Elected executives are Robert Rod-ner, United Automatic Vending Com-pany, president: Kenneth MacMillan, Automatic Canteen of Long Island, vice-president: Don Shelton, Auto-matic Beverage Company, secretary-treasurer, and Lew Braverman, Drink Dispensers Corporation, chairman of the board.

Monthly meetings of ACDA, ac-cording to Braverman, will serve pri-marily as vehicles for the free ex-change of opinions regarding all phases of cup vender operation. Con-ducted as round-table discussions, they will encourage operators to pass on to others in the field individual practices in route management which

practices in route management which are generally applicable. Chief mechanics of each member firm will also be urged to attend meetings, Braverman said, to discuss machine maintenance. Short cuts in both on-location and shop servicing of cup venders developed by any one organization can thus be adopted by others who find the new method suit-able to their operations. It was able to their operations. It was foreseen by Braverman that such technical discussions might, from time to time, result in recommendations to manufacturers for machine improvement.

Discussion by company executives Discussion by company executives will revolve mainly around problems of management concern such as rec-ord keeping, taxation, personnel standards and supplies. Braverman held out the possibility that the as-

sociation might some day try sociation might some day try to off-set rising prices of supplies by co-operative buying. And close at-tention will be given municipal ef-forts to regulate the cup vending in-dustry by sanitation regulations. But Braverman emphasized that self-imposed sanitary standards now were much bither than any concidered by much higher than any considered by legislative authorities. Continuing business of ACDA will be carried on by committees concerned with mem-

by committees concerned with mem-bership, taxation, sanitation and en-tertainment and publicity. Cup machine operating firms al-ready enrolled in the ACDA are the Seaboard Vending Company, Public Service Vending Company, Skyline Vending Company, General Vending Company, Colamat Corporation, Vic-tory Dispensers, Campus Fountain drinks, Spacarb New York Distribu-tors, United Automatic Vending Company. Automatic Canteen of Long Company, Automatic Canteen of Long Island, Automatic Beverage Com-pany and Drink Dispensers Corporation.

## Lectro - Max Debuts New Electric Motor For Coin Machines

**FOP COIN Machines** GENEVA, Ill., April 10.—Lectro-Max, Inc., division of Magar Home Products, Inc., here, has introduced a new electric motor, with a magnetic brake that provides instant stops, which is designed and manufactured for use in vending machines, it was announced this week. The new motor, identified as No. 1100, operates on 105-125 volts, 50-60 cycle AC. It features controlled ac-tion, with no "runaway" tendencies. Equipped with a segmented armature insulted to endure a 1,000-volt ground test, the motor can be series-wound to deliver up to one-twentieth horse-power. The die-cast case comes in power. The die-cast case comes in several colors.

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## **Distrib** Change CHICAGO, April 10.-H. M. Schaef. president of Victor Vending Corporation here, announced a change in firm's Pacific Coast distributors this week. New distributors are Ace Vending & Distributing Company, 2702 West Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, headed

Victor Vending

Pico Boulevard, Los Angeles, headed by Bill Evangeloff, for Southern Cali-fornia; Leon (Hi Ho) Silver, Inc., 760-A Hayes Street, San Francisco, for Northern California; A. & B. Distributing Corporation, 1533 N. E. Union, Portland, Ore.. covering Ore-gon; Bert Farmer, 1435 23d Avenue South, Seattle, covering Western Washington, and Harold Farmner, S. 159 Browne Street, Spokane, servic-ing Eastern Washington.

# New England Candy Makers Expanding Volume Up 13.2%

BOSTON, April 10.—The candy business here is undergoing an ex-pansion move. Volume sales report of the New England Manufacturing Confectioners' Association (20 manu-facturers in Massachusetts and one in Connecticut) for February, showed a 21.6 per cent rise over last year, Walter L. Guild, managing director, announced this week. Volume for February, 1948, was \$4,689,665. Volume for February, 1947, was \$3,856,130. The jump was further spotlighted by the figures for the New England Manufacturing

1947, was \$3.856,130. The jump was further spotlighted by the figures for January, which showed a 13.2 per cent increase. Volume for January, 1948, was \$4,628,573; for January, 1947, \$4,088,626. For the first two months of this year, the industry here has a per-centage rise of 34.8. According to industry spokesmen, the March fig-ure, which will be released the latter part of this month, will show another

part of this month, will show another percentage jump. Altho manufac-turers are still cautious about predic-tions, it looks like a big year for the

turers are still cautious about predic-tions, it looks like a big year for the candy industry. The bad weather bugaboo here Easter week, culminating with a driving rain storm on Saturday be-for the holiday, did not affect the candy sales. Easter week dollar sales volume in candy stores and candy departments of department stores were generally ahead of 1947. Added to this candy and ice cream business in Greater Boston movie theaters is booming, and many thea-ters are installing ice cream bars alongside their candy counters. Prac-tically every theater in the section now has a candy counter, and most of them have either recently in-stalled, or are now installing ice cream bars. The ice cream sand-wich remains the favorite type for theater sales. Theater candy bars are now pre-dominantly featuring name bars and

Theater saids. Theater candy bars are now pre-dominantly featuring name bars and brands of confectionery. The rela-tively unknown bars, which sold well

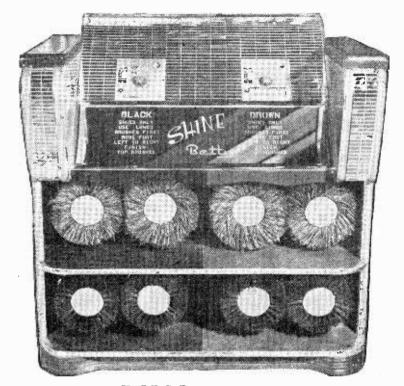
tively unknown bars, which sold well during the war have backed up, con-cessionaires report. Reports of the increase in sales volume of confectionery in the first two months of this year indicate that vending operators are getting their share of the business. Manufacturing confectioners in New England all predict a big year for the automatic vending machine operators.

#### **Bayuk Sales Increase**

**Bayuk Sales Increase** PHILADELPHIA, April 10.—Bayuk Cigars, Inc., suppliers of cigars for venders, this week reported that sales rose 38 per cent last year, and earn-ings 32.9 per cent. Net income reached \$2,488,937, an increase of \$617,464 over the 1946 net of \$1.871,473. The 1947 net was equal to \$3.17 a share as compared with \$2.38 a share the previous year. previous year.

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# Candy Bar Poundage Sales, Per Pound Price Increase

sales by manufacturers are rocking along toward new highs with Febru-ary dollar volume 18 per cent higher than February, 1947, Commerce Department disclosed this week. Poundage sales showed an increase of 11 per cent over the previous February.

For the first two months of this year, dollar volume amounted to \$137,314,000 or 17 per cent above the corresponding 1947 period.

February sales of candy bars added up to 71.723.000 pounds with a whole-sale value of \$30.352,000. For the previous .February 59.868.000 pounds were sold for a total wholesale price of \$20.650,000. Average price per

**Clear Atlantic City** Cigarette Tax Set-Up ATLANTIC CITY, April 10.-Atlantic City's 2-cent levy on cigarettes, lantic City's 2-cent levy on cigarettes, a major source of luxury tax revenue for the resort, and the new State tax on cigarettes of 3 cents per pack can each be applied to cigarettes sold in this city without violation of a State law. State Senator Frank S. Farley declared. The State senator stated that Atlantic City could continue ex-acting 2 cents per cigarette pack on

acting 2 cents per cigarette pack on top of the 3 additional cents which will go to the State.

Local authorities had feared that the city would have to stop its collections after July 1 when the new State law becomes operative. But State tax department officials in Trenton also stated that the resort could continue its local levy.

If both taxes are imposed, meaning an extra nickel per pack, it would mean a drop in cigarette sales here, both in retail stores and in vending machines. Since the summer popula-tion is transient, vacationists are sure to come here loaded with their smoke supplies so as not to pay the ovtra to come here loaded with their smoke supplies so as not to pay the extra taxes here. Moreover, it will un-doubtedly invite the smuggling of tax-free cigarettes from other States into New Jersey and especially into Atlantic City. The prospect of a total of 5 cents in taxes on each pack of signorther is not a placent one have cigarettes is not a pleasant one here. either to smokers, the retail shops or

either to smokers, the retail shops or the vending machine operators. According to a local agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, illicit transfer interstate of cigarettes would be a matter for State and not federal action. He said it would then be the duty of the New Jersey State Department of Taxation and Finance to ston any smuggling

Department of Taxation and a store stop any smuggling. The city has been collecting a 2-cent tax per pack since last June 15. The tax is part of a four-way luxury levy which includes amusements, ho-tel room rentals and liquor. The tel room rentals and liquor. The tobacco tax has been an important money raiser for the resort. For the month of March the 2-cent cigarette levy brought in \$21,446.40 and in February of this year \$12,819.55.

## **Roni Sales Expands** Corn Mach. Distrib

NEW YORK, April 10 .- Roni Sales NEW YORK, April 10.—Roni Sales Company's distribution territory for Norsoamerica's hot popcorn machine has been expanded to include all of New England, Max Weiss, president of the Brooklyn distributing house, disclosed this week. Roni's franchise territory for the popcorn vender pre-viously was limited to New York State.

State. At the same time Weiss announced that his firm has perfected a minor mechanical adjustment to the vender which enables it to dispense peanuts in the shell as well as popcorn.

WASHINGTON, April 10 .- Candy | pound of candy bars rose from 341/2

cents in February, 1947, to 42.3 cents last February. While bar sales were going up, sales of bulk candy started to skid, Commerce estimates revealed. Only 11.547,000 pounds were sold last Feb-ruary as compared with the 15,148,ruary as compared with the 15,148,-000 pounds sold in February, 1947. Dollar volume of bulk sales, how-ever, was the same for months, \$3.719,000, since the price rose from 24½ to 32.2 cents per pound. Despite the rise in over-all candy business, manufacturers in various continue of the country measured winds

variances in receipts. The 28 largest firms in New England registered a 43 per cent increase over February, 1947, while 49 Illinois manufacturers showed gains of 26 per cent. On the other hand, 11 firms in the Ohio-Indiana section told Commerce their business was off 31 per cent, while five firms in Colorado reported business declines averaging 15 per cent.

## Test Ala. Right **To Collect Cig Tax**

BIRMINGHAM. April 10.—Injunc-tion proceedings which will bring the first test of the legality of the State's drive against "mail order" cigarettes have been filed here against State Revenue Commissioner J. A. Stephens and Jefferson County License Inspector Broup

License Inspector Bradley Brown. J. A. Mealey, Birmingham resident, seeks to restrain Stephens and Brown from collecting taxes from him. Mealey had been served notice by the State that he owes \$1,957.20 in taxes and penalties on cigarettes shipped from outside the State. The State also contends he owes over \$250 in sales tax and use tax. Mealey was listed as having handled 1,160,000

safes tax and use tax. Another tax and listed as having handled 1.160.000 cigarettes on which tax was owed as of January, 1947. Mealey said that he was "not a dealer, merchant or broker in to-bacco or tobacco products." He also asked for declaratory judgment holding that certain State tax statutes do not apply to him. If the statutes do apply, he asked that they be held unconstitutional and void. void.



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# Massage Unit Unveiled in N.Y.

YORK, April 10.-- A new wist in the application of coin operation to specialized service equipment drew thousands of interested specta-

drew thousands of interested specta-tors here this week as Massage-o-Mat was unveiled at the International Beauty Show in Grand Central Pal-ace. The device, which offers 15 minutes of massage for 50 cents, is the product of the just-organized Massage-o-Mat Company, 345 East 23d Street, New York. Basically a canvas-covered couch in which 270 separate rubber rollers, traveling back and forth, exercise massage action, Massage-o-Mat can be used to massage any part of the body, depending on which position the user lies. A Robco meter, spe-cially adapted to accept 50-cent coins, controls the mechanism. No attendant controls the mechanism. No attendant is required as the machine is com-pletely automatic. It was pointed out that the rollers rest on springs, thus conforming to individual body con-tours. Pressure of massage is entirely

tours. Pressure of massage is entirely dependent on the user's weight. Principals of the new firm, new-comers to the coin machine industry, are Abe Benjamin and Max Pollack. They said the machine would be sold only to operators and would be pro-moted for use in beauty parlors, re-ducing salons, athletic clubs, gym-nasiums and similar establishments.

ducing salons, athletic clubs, gym-nasiums and similar establishments. Under the projected system of dis-tribution, not yet fully blue-printed, operators would be given exclusive franchise territories. But, since the machines would be sold at less than cost, according to Benjamin, opera-tors would have to return to Massage-e-Mat Company, a still underided o-Mat Company a still undecided monthly royalty. A 50 per cent loca-tion commission would be recom-mended, he added.

The machine is being manufac-tured for Massage-o-Mat, the patent holders, by D-J Industries, Inc., of Clearfield, Pa. The firm already has

Clearfield, Pa. 'The firm already has 110 finished units on hand, Benjamin declared, and the manufacturing con-cern is geared to produce up to 300 a month. Distribution will begin within 30 days, he said. Benjamin reported that the ma-chine was invented about seven years ago and was used successfully for four years as a weight reducing de-vice in several cities in the Midwest. But during that time it had no coin But during that time it had no coin mechanism and was operated at \$1 a treatment. Benjamin and Pollack acquired all rights to the machine several months ago.

Aim of Fund-Raising Team CHICAGO, April 10.—To promote consumption of confectionery prod-ucts and open new markets for candy, the Council on Candy's 1948 fund-raising team, composed of 26 leaders in the confectionery fields, has been formed. Chairman of the Council on Candy, Oscar G. Trudeau, Trudeau Candies, Inc., announced formation of the fund-raising team this week, said the team was now ready to swing into action. **VICTOR'S** NEW MODEL K It's Outstanding! It's Outstanding: Vends Everything! in-vestigate the many new features incor-porated in this great, new bulk vender. Write us NOW for detailed information and prices. said the team was now feady to swing into action. Funds raised by this group will be used to promote the Candy Council's promotional and public relations pro-gram. A large share of this activity is directed to educating the public to the nutritional values of candy as a food. A Product of VICTOR THE VENDING CORP. Yeu 5701-13 Grand Ave Chicago 39 WRITE FOR PRICES Roasted and Salted Nuts of all types. Confectionery Items. SPECIALISTS TO THE VENDING TRADE San Filippo and Company Nut and Confectionery Importers and Wholesaler 104-14 37th Ave., Corona, L. I., N. Y. Telephone: Havemeyer 9-8946 PRESENT ROUTES FOR SALE DISDENSING JERGENS LOTION Livonia, N. Y. Grand Rapids, Mich. .50 Unlts .50 Unlts .50 Unlts .31 Units

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CHICAGO, April 10.—Jack Kelner, head of Kelner Vendors, has been appointed chairman of the Chicago area's tobacco division cancer fund drive by the American Cancer Society, it was announced here this week. Appointment runs thru April, a period set aside as National Cancer Month by proclamation of President Truman.

Kelner, who is also chairman of the Chicago Tobacco Table, will have the following assistants to help him the following assistants to help him put the tobacco division over its quota: Harry Clarke, Congress Cigar Company; Kibby Chapman, Consoli-dated Tobacco Company; J. J. Van Buren, Middy Tobacco Company; Hal Peavler, Ohio Match Company, and Joseph Loeser, of Tobacco Leaf. Goal for all divisions in the Chi-cago area during April is \$1,150,000.

# **Open New Lily-Tulip** Factory in Georgia AUGUSTA, Ga., April 10. — Lily-Tulip Cup Corporation's directors, of-

ficers and various sales and operating department heads attended the recent formal opening of the new plant here. New factory, covering approxi-mately 180,000 square feet of floor space, has underground tunnels for all service lines and an air-condi-tioning and humidifying system. It will employ about 500 people when in full operation.

Firm's main plant is in College Point, N. Y., while other factories are located in Brooklyn, Chicago, Los Angeles and Listowel, Ont.

**Bowman To Reintro** 

1-Cent Bubble Gum

PHILADELPHIA, April 10 —Bow-man Gum, Inc., here will shortly re-introduce its pre-war penny bubble gum, Blony, reports Bill Savage, firm

Firm will continue to market its

nickel Bub bubble gum, and will manufacture the penny line in stick

form in addition to its original roll

Chaperoning Cigs

have been offered a new slogan,

nave been offered a new slogan, dreamed up by a local hotel man in connection with the State's drive against forest fires. The sloganeer, C. E. Hames, passed along the following to officials for use in the campaign: "Chap-erone your cigarettes. Don't let them go out alone."

10. --- Cigarette smokers

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April

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F.-R. Program Promotion Aim of Fund-Raising Team

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Saudi Arabian

(Continued from page 98) (While in this country, the Sheik also purchased two cargo steamers to supplement the group's marine activities) activities.)

activities.) Main office of this Saudi Arabian trading firm is in Mecca, with a branch office located in Jessah, a port where the vending machines are to be unloaded. It was not clear in what manner the firm intended to parate the venders but the Sheik what manner the firm intended to operate the venders, but the Sheik touched on one method when he stated that the machines may be given to individuals to operate if they, as operators, stocked only the trading firm's merchandise and lo-cated units in the firm's factories, warehouses, etc.

The Sheik gave further indication of his knowlege of automatic mer-chandising by stressing the impor-tance of rotation of merchandise so as to eliminate possibility of stale items remaining in a vender. Loading thru the top of each column accom-plished this purpose, and was a fea-ture desired in vending equipment purchased by the trading firm, he stated. He also showed interest in possible use of soft drink venders in the soft drink venders in his country, Vendall officials said.

While detailed description of the type of merchandise to be vended was type of merchandise to be vended was not given, Sheik Bahamdein did state that the type of candy sold varied with the season, as in the winter and summer months here. He said that the average temperature in Saudi Arabia (thruout the year) was 70 degrees, so a wide type of candy could be handled without spoilage.

Worcester Homes

**Okay Launderalls** 

WORCESTER, Mass., April 10.-

Coin-operated automatic washing machines installed in private homes for single family use have proven unusual sales boosters in this area.

unusual sales boosters in this area. Under the new Rent-a-Plan sales method, indorsed by the local Laun-derall distributor, Walker Electrical Supply Company, home owners may have coin-metered Launderalls in-stalled for a moderate installation fee, with coin box collections ear-marked for future purchase of the washors.

washers. Installations are limited to families

who own their homes, according to Irving J. Walker, president of the distributing house, and who have either an infant or three or more children. "We have found that fi-

children. "We have found that fi-nancial risk and return can be justi-fied only when these two considera-tions are observed," he said.

But the installation is in no way contingent on an agreement for fu-ture purchase of the washer, Walker stressed. If the home owner decides

to buy the machine after a reasonable length of time, usually 90 days, all money collected from the meter is applied toward the purchase price. The balance may be financed in 24

**Keeney Names New** 

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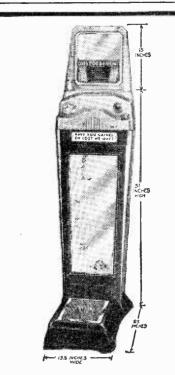
**O** - **Diate Distributor** CHICAGO, April 10.—J. H. Keeney & Company announced thru W. J. Ryan, vice-president, this week that Cleveland Coin Machine Exchange, Cleveland, is now distributor for the Keeney Deluxe cigarette vender in a three-State area. Cleveland Coin Machine Exchange will cover Ohio, West Virginia and Kentucky, Ryan stated.

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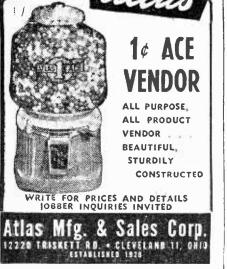
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# Al Gorner Forms 2d N. Y. CAMEO SPECIAL DEALS! **Coin Washer Association**

NEW YORK, April 10 .-- Albert I. | ciples would be not to form any Gorner, who recently quit the Coin-Metered Washing Machine Operators' Association (CMWMOA), this week announced formation of a competing organization composed of operators with coin washers on location in apartment houses. Called the Affilin iated Washing Machine Operators' Association (AWMOA), the newly launched group already claims mem-bership of 40 firms here, which operate some 6,000 washers.

While the new association has not yet formalized its organization with constitution and by-laws, Gorner declared that two of its guiding prin-

Ice Cream Unit **First Product of** New Coin Firm

NEW YORK, April 10 .-- Entry of a new manufacturing firm into the vending machine field was announced here this week as National Servitors, Inc., reported its coin-operated ice cream machine will be in production within six weeks. Tooling up for quantity production is nearing com-pletion at the company's plant, lo-cated at 19 East Main Street Little pletion at the company's plant, lo-cated at 19 East Main Street, Little Falls, N. J.

National's machine, called the Choice Master ice cream vender, is operated electrically and features multi-selectivity, according to Irving Kangun, treasurer. Up to six varieties of ice cream packs can be vended. By means of a simple adjustment, each of the six columns can be made to dispense different size units, such as ice cream sandwiches, pops, ice cream cups, etc.

120-Unit Capacity

With a capacity of 120 units at 10 cents each, Choice Master features a coin changer, slug rejector, and a specially designed automatic de-froster. The last-named feature pre-cludes loss of operating time in de-frosting. The interior of the machine is all aluminum is all aluminum. Choice Master

stands 5 feet Choice Master stands 5 feet 10 inches high, is 30 inches wide and 25 inches deep. Exterior is of baked enamel, and will be supplied in any desired color. Windows in front of each column, lighted by fluorescent lamps, are for package display. Light indicators are built in to flash when columns are empty. National Servitors plans to serve as its own distribution agency and will

its own distribution agency and will sell directly to operators. In certain cases exclusive franchise contracts

cases exclusive franchise contracts will be negotiated. Officers, besides Kangun, are John W. Lauricella, president; Abe Kopp, vice-president; Joseph LaBell, sec-retary, and Victor Morin, assistant treasurer

## **Chase Candy Plans** New Distrib Plant

SEATTLE, April 10 .--- Chase Candy Company has plans for the establish-ment of a distributing plant in the Pacific Northwest, according to Homer L. Rothleitner, vice-president of the firm, who came here from St. Louis to study market conditions. According to Rothleitner, the company "is definitely interested in the ... trade areas in the Pacific Northwest. We have come to Seattle to get west. We have come to seattle to get a first-hand picture of the possibili-ties which this . . . market offers." Rothleitner did not divulge where Chase Candy would erect the new plant.

outside affiliations and to seek to main-tain the best possible relations with landlords and building agents. It was understood that differences of opinion on these points caused the split in the older organization.

#### Functions of AWMOA

Among the functions of AWMOA, which Gorner said were designed "to which doniel stability within the industry," were co-operation with city. State and federal legislatures in matters of taxation and sanitation; guidance of newcomers in the industry by experienced operators, and an increased public confidence in the industry by raising standards of service.

The first formal meeting of the new association will be held later this month, Gorner stated, at which time association officials will be elected and a constitution discussed.

Gorner, who has been associated with the laundry industry for many years, is public relations director of AWMOA. This is the position he formerly held with CMWMOA. David Sherman has been retained as attornev.

# **Granted** Patent **On Cooler** for **Bottle Machine**

WASHINGTON, April 10 .- A patent, covering five claims on a forced air circulation cooler for bottled beverages, has been granted Clarence F. Munshower, Columbus, O., who, in turn, has assigned it to Colbar, Inc., also of Columbus. The patent, num-2.439,261, was applied for May ber 18, 1946.

Description of the cooler is as follows: A cooler for bottled beverages comprising a cabinet, a plural-ity of vertically arranged relatively spaced refrigerating panels station-arily mounted in the cabinet, the panels being relatively spaced to form air passages, a duct for delivering air to each of the passages for downward circulation there-thru, and upward circulation across bottles arranged in contact with the panels, a return duct for air travel, and a motor actuated means for effecting forced travel of the air thru the ducts and the passages.

## **CommerceDept.Asks Co-Op in Candy Study**

WASHINGTON, April 10.-Department of Commerce's office of do-mestic commerce, to obtain an ac-curate picture of the country's 1947 candy business, is urging manufac-turers to co-operate by answering a recently distributed confidential ques-tionnaire. Occasion is the 21st appual tionnaire. Occasion is the 21st annual survey of confectionery sales and distribution.

distribution. Over 400 candy manufacturers sub-mitted similar information for the department's 1946 survey. Depart-ment officials revealed that prelim-inary estimate of the 1947 candy sales picture, in terms of poundage produced, fell off slightly from the 1944 record of 2.8 billion pounds.

#### **Universal Match Net Down**

ST. LOUIS, April 10. — Universal Match Corporation has reported that net income for 1947 totaled \$725,405, equal to \$5.24 per share. Figure com-pares with \$855.292, or \$6.18 a share, earned in 1946 CLIP earned in 1946.





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# **Faverns, Says ABCB; Local** Laws Continue To Prevail

#### Mobile Mayor Refers All Applications to Commission

MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 10.— Jusic machine operators and dealers ot another break from the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board ABCB) this week when all restric-ions were lifted on use of juke boxes where beer and liquor are sold.

The board's action does not mean, towever, that the way is wide open or return of the music machines to 11 drink places. It was pointed out hat an act of the 1945 Legislature lets ocal governing bodies regulate all pres of vending machines. ocal governing bodies regulate all ypes of vending machines. Several aunicipalities have such legislation. Beer dealers in places where local Beer dealers in places where local aw does not conflict were authorized by the ABC Board to install juke loxes several weeks ago. At that ime it was said that liquor dealers ould make installations only if they urrendered their whisky licenses.) Gives Views

Chairman Lowell Gregory, of the BC Board, said that the board felt he 1945 legislative act adequately

# **Ops Eye Tele Promotion** in **Boston Area**

#### Sets Going on Location

BOSTON, April 10.—Boston's intro-luction to television received an extra fuction to television received an extra mpetus this week with the first an-nual Electric Show at Mechanics Building (April 3-10) featuring video, while local department stores and shops massed tele sets in their win-lows, and bar and tavern owners, not yet set up with tele outfits, thronged listributors' show rooms.

Boston has been allotted five chan-Boston has been allotted five chan-hels and already nine companies have nade application for these channels. Station WBZ-TV will start about May 15. The Yankee Network expects to open a tele station in the middle of June. Other local companies are seeking stations here, and 20th Cen-huw-Fox Film of New England is an tury-Fox Film of New England is an applicant for a Boston station.

In the meantime no tele stations are operating, but numerous bars have video already installed, mostly favoring small receivers.

The show was sponsored by the Electric Institute of Boston and staged by the Campbell-Fairbanks Expositions, Inc.

Expositions, Inc. The tele promotion gave Boston newspapers their first whack at tele-vision advertising on a big scale, and they gave heavy space to special Electric Show special sections. It is evident that set manufacturers are well equipped to serve those who are hungering for video, but tele-vision officials are inclined to be con-servative in claims of coverage and

servative in claims of coverage and will not positively guarantee adequate coverage of a television signal much over 30 or 35 miles from the trans-mitting site.

covers operation of music machines. "We will have the power to revoke licenses when we find places are not being operated properly," Gregory said. "If licensees can not have music machines and keep them from becoming a nuisance, then they face pos-sible loss of their license."

Oliver Taylor, board member, said (See Music Machines on page 110)

# **Ohio State Ops Completing** Agenda for Annual Meeting

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and manufacturers, the Ohio State Automatic Phonograph Operators' Association (OSAPOA) will open its 9th annual convention at the Hotel Hollendon here Wednesday (14) with a State board meeting at 10 a.m. Following the meeting will be lunch-eon, which is scheduled to start at noon. The entire afternoon session will be confined to an open meeting at which current problems of the in-dustry will be discussed. A ban-quet at 6:30 p.m. in the ballroom will close the one-day get-together. The OSAPOA will key its convention this year with a concerted ef-fort to raise \$25,000 for the American Cancer Society fund. The associa-Cancer Society fund. The associa-tion will sponsor the appearance of such prominent entertainers as Dorothy Shay, Carmen Cavallaro and Frank (Sugar Chile) Robinson at the Cleveland Public Music Hall Monday and Tuesday (12 and 13), and has scheduled the same artists for the annual banquet Wednesday. All proceeds from the three eve-nings, along with all funds raised from the convention year book, will be donated to the American Cancer Society.

CLEVELAND, April 10.—Antici-pating a heavy turnout of operators and manufacturers, the Ohio State Automatic Phonograph Operators' appropriate to commemorate the asappropriate to commemorate the as-sociation's major event of the year, it's convention, by backing a muchneeded cause.

ing machine distributor, sent out the following announcement

out the following announcement this week: Announcing the re-lease of the 1948 model baby Cathy Fryer. Model released March 23, weight nine pounds. Designer and chief engineer, Martin Fryer. Production man-ager, Shirley Postel Fryer. Specifications: Two-lung power, free squealing, water-cooled, latest ball bearings, economical feed changeable seat covers.

feed, changeable seat covers, perfect knee action, natural air-

needed cause. Banquet Plan With the banquet set as the high point of the convention, plans have been made for William Rosenfeld. ASOPOA attorney, to make the vari-ous introductions, to be followed by Cohen who will make a welcoming address to the assembled members and guests in the ballroom. The en-tertainment program will follow the dinner, and will feature, in addition to the above-mentioned artists, Artie Malvin, Vaughn Horton and the Polka Debs, Frankie Connors, Kay Ballard, and others. Howie Lund. Cleveland disk jockey, will emsee the show.

the show. Plans for the banquet were made by Cohen who acted as chairman of the banquet committee, and his co-chairman, Sanford Levine. Commitfor the annual banquet Wednesday. All proceeds from the three eve-nings, along with all funds raised from the convention year book, will be donated to the American Cancer Society. Originator of the plan to tie in the

**Prove Better Money Makers** 

#### No Shortage Seen as Yet

CHICAGO, April 10.—With the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) ban on recordings now slightly more than three months old, definite effects of the ban have been noted in the music machine field. Most of these happenings have been to the good, with the operators bene-fiting by being able to make more scientific selections of records for their machines; records having a longer over-all life due to the strictly scheduled releases; smaller labels set-ting up achedules for new releases inting up schedules for new releases in-stead of jumping on a hot tune and releasing sides at random; a more competitive market which features a small number of titles, but sides that small number of titles, but sides that are cut to please the greatest number of customers, and finally a definite and growing trend which has seen the major firms enter the hillbilly and race fields on a larger scale, thereby forcing the smaller com-panies to improve this type of re-lease which has large juke box ap-peal in selected markets.

#### No Dearth

No Dearth Distributors, retailers and oper-ators in this area are agreed that so far there has been no dearth of records because of the ban. Pop hits are not only available but, ac-cording to the operators, they now have their choice of seven or eight versions of a hit as opposed to the (See AFM Ban's Effect on page 108)

# Man. Phono in **Move To Halt** Sales Aireon

#### Claims N. Y. Deal Still On

NEW YORK, April 10 .- Injunction proceedings to prevent further sales of Aireon music equipment by Modof Aireon music equipment by Mod-ern Music Sales in this area were in-stituted this week by the former holder of the Aireon franchise, Man-hattan Phonograph Company. The suit also calls for an accounting of Modern's profits since the transfer of the franchise to Modern in January, and the payment of damages to Man-hattan's owners, Rocco Marino and Leo Dixon. Leo Dixon.

Basis of the suit against Modern is the charge that Nat Cohn, Modern's president, induced Aireon to transfer distributor rights to his firm before Manhattan's contract with the manufacturer had run out, Israel Seeger, attorney for the complainants said. Seeger claims that Manhattan's con-tract is actually still in effect and does not expire until June, 1948.

Cohn, who was served with a sum-mons this week, branded the charges "ridiculous." He said that he had used no special inducement to influ-ence the transfer and that, to his knowledge, contractual relations be-tween Manhattan and Airgon, were terminated as of January.

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# **Committee Reports on Bill** Favoring Copyright Change

April The continuing struggle of certain music interests to have the federal copy-right laws amended to allow music owners to levy royalty fees on juke owners to levy royalty fees on juke box play scored a point this week with the first favorable action to date taken on Bill H.R. 1269. The subcommittee on patents, trade-marks and copyrights, of the House Judiciary Committee, reported the bill favorably Wednesday (7). If the bill runs the gauntlet of congressional action successfully it

congressional action successfully, it may place a new financial burden on music operators already beset by boosts in equipment costs, the im-practicality of raising nickel play and competitive inroads by television.

H.R. 1269 specifically eliminates exemption from royalty payments now enjoyed by the juke box indus-try under the provisions of the Copy-

right Act of 1909. This exemption, contained in Section 1, Subdivision E, of the act, now reads: "Reproduction or rendition of a musical composition by or upon coin-operated machines shall not be deemed a public performance for profit unless a fee is charged for admission to the place where such reproduction or rendition occurs."

reproduction or rendition occurs." Complementary Bill The next step is for the bill to go before the entire committee and, if reported favorably by that body, it will be considered by the rules com-mittee before final action is taken on the House floor. A complemen-tary bill, S. 2164, was introduced in the Senate February 13. In view of the subcommittee's ac-tion, Sidney H. Levine, general coun-sel representing the recently organ-(See Committee Reports on page 110)



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# AFM Ban's Effect on Jukes **New Releases Money Makers**

(Continued from page 107) pre-ban method of grabbing up a Vaughn Monroe hit (such as Baller-

Vaughn Monroe hit (such as Baller-ina), while subsequent releases are, in many cases too late for the oper-ator's need. A current example is the song Baby Face, which has been rocketing into prominence recently. In the April 3 issue of The Bill-board, Baby Face made its first ap-pearance in the Most Played Juke Box Records chart, showing up in 12th place. One week later the song had climbed to seventh place, with Art Mooney's MGM recording the one most preferred by the ops. How-ever, those music machine men thru-out the country who were ready to purchase this song had eight other purchase this song had eight other versions to pick from, including the Flint, Decca, Stellar, Apollo, Mod-ern, Tower, Krantz and Victor labels.

#### N. Y. Reaction

As regards the quantity of records available after the first three months of the AFM ban, Nat Cohn, head of Modern Music Sales in New York, who also is in the recording business and is a music publisher, says ops in that area are having no difficulty buying the records they want. "In fact," says Cohn, "the shoe is on the other foot."

According to Cohn, many juke box operators in the New York area have made large investments in other phases of the coin machine business during recent months. Now most of their finances are tied up and the of their finances are tied up and the operators are devoting much of their time to activities other than their music routes. As a result, in many cases, juke box routes have suffered, and record outlets supplying the ops are reporting decreased, rather than increased, sales. Here in Chicago retailers say that

## **Packard Hiking** Juke Box Price **\$50** on June

INDIANAPOLIS, April 10.—In a letter to be sent out Monday (12) the Packard Manufacturing Company is announcing that as of June 1, 1948, the prices of the Manhattan phonographs will be increased \$50 each. The prices of hideaways, wall boxes and other Packard products will, at the same time, be increased 10 per cent across the board 10 per cent across the board.

Explaining the reasons behind the price hike, William H. Krieg, presi-dent of the firm, in his letter, said that "due to a big rearmament pro-gram on the part of the government and the almost certainty that the government will return to a priority system on all raw materials in about 60 days and that Congress will re-instate the draft in the near future

60 days and that Congress will re-instate the draft in the near future, it will be necessary for this company on its next run of Manhattan phono-graphs to raise its prices. "It is not possible to maintain present prices in the face of billions for rearmament—hundreds of thou-stands of men back in the armed forces—and a priority system on scarce materials (which includes all metals) and billions to help all of our allies thruout the world."

## Correction

Thru a typographical error the price of the new Tradio ho-tel radio was reported as \$44.95 in the April 10 issue of *The Bill-*board. The price should have read \$49.95.

since the ban went into effect Jansince the ban went into effect Jan-uary 1, 1948, the market has become more highly competitive. This is due, report the retailers, to severa reasons, including the fact that re-leases are now scheduled more strictly and that apparently the musif publishers are working longer of their tunes, hence the market remains

leases are now scheduled mort strictly and that apparently the musik publishers are working longer of their tunes, hence the market remains active for a longer period of time. As to the quality of the records re-leased during the past three months retailers and distributors here be-lieve the manufacturers, when build-ing their post-ban stockpiles, kep one eye on the future market, and as a result, practically all of the re-leases were done in a straight man-ner (rather than highly stylized ver-sions) which would appeal to great-est segment of the record buying and listening public. As a result, prac-tically every hit song today has at least six, and in many cases from eight to 10 recordings from which the operator and the retail store cus-tomer can make his selection. A look at the Honor Roll of Hits in any issue of *The Billboard* will confirm this reaction. One of the few excep-tions is *Manana*, a sleeper which shot into prominence quickly and now has only four versions out, including Peggy Lee's best seller on the Capitof label.

label. Another result of this type of re-cording release and the record ban has been, according to operators, a longer life for the record hits in their juke boxes. Thus by scientifically picking their new records and se-lecting the hits from a greater num-ber of versions, ops are able to save some money on their record buying and are realizing more profit from a hit due to its longer life in the hit class. class.

Operator Co-Operation During the past few months oper-ators have reported closer liaison beators have reported closer liaison be-tween themselves and their local dis-tributors. An example of this is the King set-up in Cincinnati. One of the newer labels, King has moved steadily ahead. According to Al Miller, sales manager, the firm has now expanded its activities to in-clude 13 nationally located branches, thereby offering better co-operation

clude 13 nationally located branches, thereby offering better co-operation with the operators in those areas. Featuring hillbilly records, which are excellent attractions in juke boxes in many regions of the coun-try, Miller says King plans to fur-ther extend its branches to cover more rural areas, especially in the Southern States where that type of music is most popular.

Southern States where that type of music is most popular. While the operators are, to date, getting adequate supplies and are finding themselves in a position whereby they can more carefully se-lect their records, they are hoping that such things as manufacturer-promotional tie-ins, more accurate release dates and better distributor relationships will remain when the ban is finally lifted.

## Industrial Sapphire Moves to Pa. Factory

QUAKERTOWN, Pa., April 10.-The Industrial Sapphire Manufacturing Company, Inc., manufacture-ing Company, Inc., manufacturer of the Norris jewel needle, has com-pleted the move into its new plant here from its former headquarters in Flushing, N. Y., it was announced by Phil Heaver, vice-president and gen-eral manager. The new plant in-cludes a research department and increased manufacturing facilities. Officials of the firm, in addition to Heaver, are Joseph W. Haines, presi-dent; Donald MacNeill, chief engi-neer, and Robert S. Haines, who was recently appointed superintendent of the company. ing Company, Inc., manufacturer of

### Preventative Reconditioning **Program Pays Off for Juke Ops**

#### Fred Amann

CHICAGO, April 10.—Frank Pa-ula, Melody Music head, attributes he present 50 per cent reduction in aajor-type juke box service calls ef-Paected over the last two years to his mr's employment of a "dis-assembly nd re-assembly" line method of re-onditioning all machines that have

In relaxionly, fine find through the orditioning all machines that have een on location for two years. "About  $n \in$  only kind of service call we get hese days is traced to such un-redictable failures as bulbs, bent oins in coln chutes, defective rec-rds, or the sudden determination of location owner to take off or put n a certain disk," Padula said. Firm's service manager, Rene 'rrard, who with Padula was instru-nental in putting the reconditioning rogram into effect, figures that since ne average service call costs the rm about \$3 in an employee's time nd transportation expense, the re-uction in number of such calls sub-tantially reduces operating overhead. tantially reduces operating overhead.

#### Preventative Repair

"The two men who concentrate on tis shop repair work more than pay tis shop repair work more than pay teir salary thru 'preventative' repair work which is accomplished at the me they recondition a machine," he tates. A big advantage to the thoro efurbishing of a juke which has een in service for a two-year pe-iod, according to Pirard, is the fact nat such work often uncovers parts to the machine which are at a nearthe machine which are at a near-reaking point or badly worn. Re-lacement of such parts eliminates a iter break-down on location (peraps during a busy period) with the esulting expense (from both play-oppage and employee's time—often

time-and-a-half, angles)

Another advantage is that the brightly polished, new-looking juke invites more play, keeps the location owner satisfied with his equipment. "While we feel that all top-notch locations are deserving of the newest and best machines, demands for and best machines, demands for newer machines by lower-play spots that cannot support a new juke are often eliminated by our appearance-renovation system, which is part and parcel of the repair program," Pirard said.

#### Complete Overhaul

**Complete Overhaul** In locations where open-grill ham-burger and quick snack cooking means a large amount of dust and dirt-catching grease constantly in the atmosphere, it was found that ma-chines had to be taken in for a com-plete overhaul after a year's opera-tion instead of two. As part of the "no break-down on location" campaign. Melody Music in-

As part of the "no break-down on location" campaign, Melody Music in-structs its routemen to keep inside floor and all ventilating screens (in floor and sides) of each machine free of clogging dust. If not removed pe-riodically, resultant shutting off of the normal ventilation such screens afford the interior of a juke (taking in cool air near the floor and passing it off, as it becomes heated, thru the it off, as it becomes heated, thru the upper portions of the machine) often means failure of some working part because the machine then becomes

overheated. Describing the equipment and serv-icing procedure employed in recon-ditioning jukes, Pirard listed the four principle items responsible for the system's success. They are: Use of

a detailed "phonograph check-up chart" which shows what has been done on each machine; a special tank where metal juke parts are immersed and scrubbed clean; double-tray wheeled carts each of which holds wheeled carts each of which holds the dis-assembled parts of individual machines, and a "horse" upon which record changing units are mounted. repaired and tested. This horse al-lows the unit being inspected to be swung into any position so as to fa-cilitate observation and repair.

Upon removal from a machine, all upon removal from a machine, all metal parts (such as record trays, trim, housings, etc.) are immersed in a soilax bath in the special tank and scrubbed until they are clean. This tank, which measure 40 inches wide. tank, which measure 40 inches wide. 30 deep and 24 high, is kept half filled with a strong soilax solution which is changed frequently. After and before the bath, parts are kept together on one of the carts tagged with that particular machine's num-ber. There is no danger of misplac-ing parts. ing parts.

Electrical parts, wiring, etc., not receiving the soilax immersion are repaired or replaced as the need oc-curs. Parts that have been washed and scrubbed are placed beneath a four-bulb infra-red lamp on a plat-form and quickly dried.

#### **Cabinet** Refinishnig

Cabinets, whether, wooden, metal or plastic are refinished in a manner suitable to each. Plastic parts are sandpapered and then waxed to re-Plastic parts are new the lustre.

The "check-up chart" lists the fol-The "check-up chart" lists the fol-lowing points, which are checked off as the work is completed: (1) Clean and wash; (2) cabinet defect; (3) tone-arm weights; (4) sealing of tone-arm wire; (5) needle; (6) slots; (7) tubes; (8) screen; (9) casters; (10) bulbs; (11) tighten plastic; (12) motor level; (13) title strip holder-celluloid; (14) rotating lights; (15) total meter: (16) take off paper and

**Testing** Public Tele in Madison

MADISON, Wis., April 10.-The Evans Radio Service has installed a public location television receiver the Monona Hotel's Indian Room to test reception of the visual pro-grams. Operators in this area are watching the tests with interest, as there are no television stations in Madison, and the only reception pos-cible is from Milwaukee sible is from Milwaukee.

The tests mark the first time a tele-vision set has been placed on public location in Madison. Whether or not the installation is to be a permanent one, and whether or not additional locations will be opened up, will be determined by the Evans' tests.

chalk marks; (17) check selector but-tons; (18) polish tone-arm and post; (19) oil and lubricate all gears and cams; (20) oil can to be filled. Head-ing this chart are spaces for model, orgid to a set of the cambridge and deta. serial number and date.

Visible proof of the value of Mel-ody Music's two-year old preventa-tive reconditioning program is in the number of service call slips filed away by the month. Pirard explains that while the 24-hour average runs from 8 to 12 calls, these are almost always minor adjustments and not time-consuming, play-stopping major

"Two years ago, when our opera-tion was half its present size, we had an average of six to eight service calls per 24 hours; now with double the number of machines, our calls are tone-arm wire; (5) needle; (6) slots; (7) tubes; (8) screen; (9) casters; (10) bulbs; (11) tighten plastic; (12) motor level; (13) title strip holder— celluloid; (14) rotating lights; (15) total meter; (16) take off paper and on-location equipment," Pirard said.

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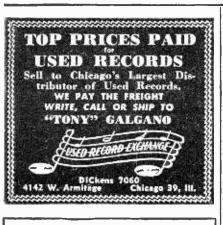
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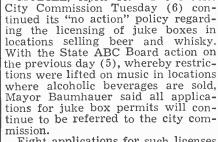
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#### Still Prevail Local Laws License Office and forwarded t commission, the mayor reported. (Continued from page 107) the "The

one of the new regulations adopted by the board was aimed particularly at keeping licensees in line on the use of music. This rule, he said, is in part:

"It is the definite policy of this board to check closely the facilities and operations of all persons selling alcoholic liquors and other beverages under an ABC license. Those who comply with the law and the regula-tions of the board will have the cooperation of the board, and those who fail to so comply will have their privileges promptly canceled."

The board's new regulations were adopted Wednesday, March 31. At that time Chairman Gregory said that it was due to a "misunderstanding" that regulations for music machines were omitted. The board met Monday (5) to set its new policy for juke to set its new policy for juke (5)boxes.

MOBILE, April 10. — The Mobile City Commission Tuesday (6) con-tinued its "no action" policy regard-ing the licensing of juke boxes in locations selling beer and whisky. With the State ABC Board action on the previous day (5), whereby restric-tions were lifted on music in locations where alcoholic beverages are sold, Mayor Baumhauer said all applica-tions for juke box permits will con-tinue to be referred to the city com-mission.

Eight applications for such licenses have been submitted to the Mobile

commission has taken no action on them." he said, "they have not been approved or rejected."

Thru previous Alabama legislation, known as the Merrill Act, Mobile has

known as the Merrill Act, Mobile has the power to issue or deny permits on the operation of a vending machine within the city. Juke boxes are classi-fied as vending machines here. Following its decision to stand pat on the elimination of the music con-trols the previous week, the ABC Board approved regulations which locations allowing dancing will have to comply with. These are as follows: (1) Allow couples only on the floor. (2) Stop the practice of "cutting in" on dancers. on dancers.

### **Aireon Holding** First Op Class In Middlewest

MILWAUKEE, April 10.-Initial service school for operators to be conducted by Aireon in the Midwest has been scheduled for Tuesday (13) at the Hasting Distributing Company headquarters here. According to Fred Mann, regional manager, an Aireon engineer and an assistant will be on hand from the Kansas City, Kan., factory to conduct the school to which all operators of Aireon equip-ment in Wisconsin have been invited. The school will be held for one day only.

Mann, who will attend the school here, reported additional service school dates for other cities in the region will be set up following the Milwaukee session.

#### **Conn. Music Machine Ops To See Coronet**

NEW YORK, April 10.-Connecti-NEW YORK, April 10.—Connecti-cut music operators will have an opportunity to view the low-priced Aireon Model 400 on home territory in a series of Connecticut showings of the complete Aireon line, Ben Palastrant, Aireon's Eastern regional scales manager, announced here this sales manager, announced here this week. First in the series will be held at the State Music Distributing Company, Hartford, beginning Tues-day (13). Others will follow shortly

Ralph Colucci, head of State Music, will be host at the Hartford showing, which many recording artists are expected to attend. Colucci has added a salesman to his staff to promote the Aireon line.

#### American Tobacco Company **Replaces** Advertising Firm

NEW YORK, April 10.-American Tobacco Company has announced the appointment of Batten, Barton. Dur-stine & Osborn, Inc., as the new ad-vertising agency replacing Foote. Cone & Belding, which resigned the account last week.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

(Continued from page 107) ized Music Operators of America (MOA), declared that spokesmen for the music machine industry must now redouble their combined efforts to block final passage of the bill to block final passage of the bill. While not minimizing the seriousness of the subcommittee's decision, he expressed confidence that H.R. 1269 would not become law if the industry kept the facts of the business known to the legislators. But Levine cautioned operators to

### Music Machines Okay in Ala.; N.Y. Ops Feted At Distrib Party

BUFFALO, April 10. — Wester-New York coin machine operator were guests at an elaborate cocktai party April 7 when Victor's Bick-ford Bros. (Western New York dis tributors) presented Vaughn Monro in person. Monroe was in town fo two one-night concerts at Klein hans Music Hall. Night club oper ators Harry Altman and Harry Wal lens, of Town Casino, and Murra; Whiteman, owner of a record, ap pliance and novelty store, promoted the concert. Affair was held at Town Casino, where Monroe rushed after making television broadcast over WBEN. WBEN

At the Casino he recorded inter-views with disk jockeys John Booth-by and Foster Brooks and met musi-operators and their wives. Disk jockeys and radio staffers attender same party, swelling the number o guests to over 150. Louis Wolk vice-president of Bickford's, wa-host, together with Leo Leavers Bickford's sales promotion manager Frank McDonald, record sales man ager, and Bill Huntington, of RCA Victor factory. Music operators from Rochester At the Casino he recorded inter-

Victor factory. Music operators from Rochester Batavia, Jamestown, Olean, Niagara Falls and Buffalo were on the gues list, and among those attending were Bernie Blacher, Amplified Music Company; Mr. and Mrs. James D Blakesle, Iroquois Amusement Com-pany; Sarkas Stephens and Charle Hayke, Stephens Amusement Com-pany; Shaefer brothers, David Ayers Charles Broderick, Empire Vending Company; Fred Van De Walker Modern Automatic Music Company Alfred Bergman, Royal Amusemen Company; Alfred Salesinc and Mn and Mrs. James Volker, all of Buf falo. Also Ben Walenitz, Rochester and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bellardo Jamestown. Jamestown.

#### David Bender Heads New Atlas Divisior

CHICAGO, April 10.—David G Bender, who recently joined Atla Music Company here as sales director of firm's new Seeburg industrial commercial music division, was of ficially introduced at the special five day preview showing of the new equipment at the Hotel Steven April 2-6, Atlas officials stated thi week. week.

Bender, who was in charge of demonstrations at the showing, ha a 22-year background of advertising and promotional experience. Fron 1926 to 1930 he headed his own ad vertising agency here, Bender Dis plays, handling railroad and cos metic copy. From 1930 thru 1933 he was sales manager of E. Fred ericks, Inc., New York, an agency specializing in beauty field adver-tising; period between 1936-38 foum Bender head of Bender House, Inc. handling sales and promotion of cosmetics and beauty equipment. He was amusement editor of Myer Newspapers, Chicago, from 1938 thru 1943, at which time he joined the navy and became an officer in the air division, public information branch. branch.

While with the navy he wrote a book on the history of carrier air craft. Leaving the service in 1945 he rejoined Myers Newspapers unti 1946, when he became associated with Advance Transformer Company Chicago, as director of public rela tions.

represent their case thru organiza tions, such as MOA, which ar equipped specifically for such pur pose. George A. Miller, chairman and Al Denver, vice-chairman of the association, are keeping clos watch on developments, Levine said

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#### AMERICAN FOLK TUNES Cowboy and Hillbilly Tunes and Tunesters

#### Air Happy Gang

Air Happy Gang Mutual network is now airing the Happy Gang, emseed by Bert Pearl, rom its Canadian Broadcasting Cor-ioration emanation point. . . Doc Villiams's Musselman's Grove, near Altoona, Pa., opens May 9, with readliners such as Bob Nolan and the Dense of the Dispects Smiley Bur Sons of the Pioneers, Smiley Bur-iette, Eddy Arnold, Patsy Montana, tette, Eddy Arnold, Patsy Montana, Vac and Bob, and Big Slim, already nked for appearances. Tentative commitments have been received rom Ernest Tubb and Roy Acuff. The park will operate Sundays and colidays until the first week in October.

Doc Williams and Toby Stround, of WWVA, Wheeling, W. Va., are taking a tent show on the road starting May a tent show on the road starting May 18. The 1000-seat tent will tour thru Ohio, Pennsylvania, Maryland and New York. . . Hawkshaw Hawkins, the King platter singer, plays Consti-tution Hall, Washington, April 24.

A new folk music park site will pen in Southeastern Ohio soon, with

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further details in this column. Opening day will be May 2 with a group of Western singers and a rodeo. Day Snyder, the Majestic disk balladeer, is visiting in Ohio and intends to work a Georgia or Alabama station when he gets back South. . . . Buster Doss, the Cactus Kid, is heard over KELD, Eldorado, Ark.

The newest ABC network show girs from Hollywood, with the cast includ-ing Ken Curtis, Slim Duncan and His Texas Troubadours, Polly Parson, Shug Fisher and Jack Rivers in the cast. It airs at 1:30 p.m. each Saturday.

#### Snare Site

Donna Newman reports that the Georgia Crackers, heard over WHKC, Columbus, O., have finally snared a site for their Saturday night dances and will hold a folk music get-together each Saturday at Smith's Dance Gardens, Columbus. The Crackers, who are now on Victor label, are set to do two Columbia pictures in September. They also will try their hand at circus business, appearing with the Grotto Circus when it works Columbus for a week, when it works Columbus for a week, starting April 15.

Tex Ritter has been on the road so much lately that the horses which he owns have been placed on an Arizona ranch to get the exercise they need. All during April he will be in Pennsylvania, Ohio and Maryland, doing onevana, Onio and Maryland, doing one-nighters. . . Jo Stafford, who just completed her album of folk music for Capitol, intends to set up an cannual award for work in that field. Details of the award will be available later in April.

Pee-Wee King, whose Teanessee Waltz is the rising tune of the day, reports that he and Roy Acuff and their bands will work the National Theater, Louisville, April 15 to 21. Pee-Wee, who is heard regularly over WAVE, Louisville, also has been get-ting his first taste of television work, doing two shows daily recently over ting his first taste of television work, doing two shows daily recently over WAVE-TV, the local video outlet... *Teardrops in My Heart* is a strong contender for top music honors cur-rently, with records out by Bob Nolan on Victor, Rex Allen on Mercury, Red River Dave on Continental and Jack Grant on Crystal.

#### **Cuts Deck**

Nelson King, the top-notch folk disk jockey over WCKY. Cincinnati, has cut Deck of Cards for King and the platter is reportedly getting a heavy early sale. . . Tiny Hill has tem-porarily disbanded his folk music troupe and is resting in Chicago with his songwriting wife, Jenny Lou Carson.

Michael Harrison, who plays West-Michael Harrison, who plays West-ern roles in the movies as Sunset Carson, has filed a petition in the Federal District Court, Charlotte, N. C., for bankruptcy, listing debts of \$75,000 and assets of \$3,550. He is currently on tour with his troupe in North Carolina. . . Claude Casey, member of WBT's Briarhopper Band, of Charlotte, N. C., has been signed member of WBT's Briarhopper Band, of Charlotte, N. C., has been signed to play in two Western pictures to be produced by Western Adventure Pro-ductions in Hollywood. Casey is to be cast with Lash Larue and Al (Fuzzy) St. John. He will be in Hollywood several weeks, returning to Charlotte to rejoin the Briarhoppers in their radio performances radio performances.

Jack W. Gordon, general manager of Gordon's Entertainment Bureau, Hartford, Conn., booking agency, re-ports the agency is booking Pee Wee Menard and his hillbilly unit for a number of banquets in the Connecticut area.



MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 10. Col. R. E. L. Choate, who is now en-gaged in the insurance business here, has announced his resignation as executive secretary of the Alabama Music Operators' Association.

The resignation was submitted last October, but Choate agreed to re-main until January 1 at the request of the association. At that time he did not sever his connection because the association was embroiled in ef-forts to have the Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board restore juke boxes to drink places. This fight was won.

#### Served Without Pay

Served Without Pay Colonel Choate, a member of the association said, has served without pay since January 1. "I am sold on what these boys (of the association) are trying to do," Colonel Choate said. "They are just an ordinary trade association trying to further their humans in transfer to further their business interests in the State like any other organiza-tion and trying to give music to the masses in a perfectly fair, honest way.

"They are just another business trying to work in harmony with the authorities. It is unfair to consider them in any other light. Accordingly I have done what I could in the past to organize meetings for them so that the operators could come together often and work with each other, and face the trade problems as a team." Main objectives in the association's

program have been realized, Choate thinks. He said he would continue to help the group in every way pos-sible until "the clouds have rolled away." By that, he explained, he means until the association, treasury f which is prover low of which is now low, has regained its feet and employed a successor.

### **Atlas Music Company** Adding New Building

CHICAGO, April 10.—Atlas Music Company here recently started con-struction on a two-story building, across the street from its present site, which will house music equipment, firms of cicle Eddia and Martin Circa firm officials, Eddie and Morrie Gins-

burg, announced this week. New structure, containing 10,000 square feet of floor space on each level, is scheduled for completion by fall. It will be in modern style with white face-stone and glass brick con-struction on its two street sides.

In Atlas's present building, which will continue to be used after the new building is completed, a special demonstration and exhibition room demonstration and exindition from for the new Seeburg industrial and commercial music system has been opened. Room features a miniature stage at one end where new units are on spotlighted display. Other high-lights of the room include hand-built furniture, square paneling in natural white finish, and recessed photo-murals depicting leading business, industrial and cultural centers of Chi-Murals are illuminated by incago. Murals direct lighting.

#### **Musicraft Adds Four New Distrib** Outlets

NEW YORK, April 10.—Musicraft Records, Inc., this week announced the addition of the following four new distributors: Allied Appliance Distributors, Memphis; Commercial Distributing Company, Kansas City, Mo.; Davis Sales, Denver, and the Nola Distributors, New Orleans. Apointments were announced by Oliver Sabin, Musicraft's director of national sales.

national sales.



#### Chicago:

A. Garrick Alex, heading Vendall Company, says that he received a re-cent letter from Albert A. Torres, acting chief of the First Division of the Argentine Aeronautical Purchas-ing Commission in New York, on the subject of vending equipment. Seems that Torres desires a general briefing on the automatic merchandising busi-ness. He wrote: "We are in the process of planning the acquisition of a gen-eral line of vending machines." Other inquiries on the automatic merchan-dising front have also recently come in from Hawaii and the Philippines, Alex savs.

Herman Duenisch, operating jukes thruout Du Page County, and with headquarters in Glen Ellyn, Ill. was confined to the hospital last week, but word is that he is getting along fine. Herman Is in Room 435 at the Elmhurst, Ill., Hospital, Mrs., Duenisch says. . . Harold Schwartz, Atlas Mu-sic Company, reports the entire staff of firm's sales representatives is on the road carrying the news of the successful showing of the new Seeburg commercial industrial music system. A specially designed and outfitted room at Atlas headquarters houses the new Seeburg equipment for display and demonstration.

Joe Schwartz, National Coin Machine Exchange, came back Friday (2) from a relaxing vacation in Florida, all set for some renewed activity in the coin machine field.... Vic Comforte, general manager of (See Chicago on page 114)

#### Detroit:

Carl Angott was host to the indus-try Saturday (10) at the opening of his new offices and display rooms on Puritan Avenue, completed after nearly a year's construction. Darrell B. Chadwick and Allen M. Kilkka, both newcomers in the coin machine field, are establishing a small route of television machines using a machine field, are establishing a small route of television machines, using a number of the types now on the market in order to diversify their experience in this pioneer stage of the business. They are specializing in bar and tavern locations. . . Elmer C. Starr, veteran vending machine operator, who retired from the busi-ness to go into tool making during the war, still has a number of ma-chines in stock and may reactivate his route. his route.

Reuben Moulds and Manny Kpel-man, of the Crystal-Tone Record line were in from Boston this week, calling on the local trade. . . . Gordon McBain is developing a new model book match vending machine. . . . The Dixie Music Company, operating firm which is also in the record dis-tributing field, managed by Arlo Dixione, has moved to a new head-quarters at 1501 West Euclid Avenue.

#### Philadelphia:

Photographers from Life magazine in town for a picture story on the firm of Melikian and Rudd, local manufacturers and promoters of hot adds to its location list in placing music machines in the newly-opened Stenton Restaurant at the resort.

Many members of the vending trade turned out for the funeral services here last week of Leonard S. Schlesinger, president of the newly-organized Warner Brothers Service Corporation, the movie company's subsidiary which manages and supervises theater concessions and vending machine opera-tions. . . Music operator Nathan Muchnick set up a retail record shop, Melody Record Shop, in the West Phila-delphia section at 5 South 52d Street.

Installation of parking meters to relieve traffic congestion in the Germantown section of the city was proposed in an ordinance introduced in city council... An attempt to in-stall parking meters in Central Phila-delphia died in committee last year.

### COINMEN YOU KNOW

#### **Twin** Cities:

Resurgence of five-ball machines Active the set of the are deluging jobbing houses with calls asking for immediate shipments. Oscar (Ozzie) Truppman, back from a swing thru Western Wisconsin last week, reported five-balls in terrific demand. . . . Hy Greenstein, of Hy-G Music Company, said the rush for the machines is so great, and supply unable to meet it, that he had to leave the office early to get away from the calls. . . Matt Engel, of Mayflower Novelty Company. reported five-ball calls. . . Matt Engel, of Mayflower Novelty Company, reported five-ball business "hot" at his company's headquarters, too.

Phil Moses, of Phillips Specialty Company, Minneapolis, is busy ex-panding his own route as well as running the coin machine business of his brother, Max Moses, of Atlas Novelty Company. . . Norman Han-son, of Osakis, Minn.. here buying music wall boxes, reported that he is turning over his summer resort business at Lake Osakis to a brother. Rusty Hanson, and will devote all his time to the coin machine business. ... Greg Mraz, Brainerd, Minn., coinman, is finishing a new night club he is opening at Lake Mille Lacs sometime next month. . . . The Befera brothers, of Hibbing, both University of Minnesota graduates, are taking over the coin machine route operated by their father until his death a short time ago

(See Twin Cities on page 115)



Los Angeles: There is a new operating company, called Quickserv, in the San Fran-cisco Bay Area. Firm handles the Kwik-Kafe coffee vender. Russell Snyder is general manager of Quick-serv.... Robert (Bob) Portale, for-merly of the M. S. Wolf Distributing Company, here on business and pleas-ure. He is preparing to open a new coin machine distributing company in Portland about May 1....R. E. Smith and Dick Haupt, Automatic Enter-prises, exclusive Southern California distributors for the new Kwik shoe-shine machine, busy lining up loca-tions in this area. John Conrowe, sales manager for Keeney Vending Division, in town for the showing at Badger Sales for Keeney's new cigarette vender. . . . Fred Gaunt, General Music Company. visiting his territory calling on ops in the interests of the new Rock-Ola Magic Glo. . . Crystalette Music Company, of Long Beach, soon to announce a new mechanism for coin-operated devices, reports Lyman Berg, partner in the firm. . . . George Rudorf, Kwik Shoe Shine Company, of Sacramento, in Los Angeles on business.

J. R. Giesler is busy lining up dis-J. R. Giesler is busy lining up dis-tributors for the hot popcorn machine, the Aristocrat. . . Bob Stark, Ideal Weighing Machine Company, back from a business tour in Northern California and Arizona. . . Hal Smoot, Kwik-Kafe of California, on the sick list. . . Carl Danielson, head of the newly-formed Shine Betty Company,

(See Los Angeles on page 114)



SOUTH DAKOTA Phonograph Operators' Association holds annual meeting in Huron, elects officers for coming year. Above (left to right) Mike Imig, president; Norman Gifke, secretary, and Gordon Stout, vice president. Bottom, banquet highlights evening program.

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#### New York:

Harry A. Rockafeller, sales man-ager of Tradio, Inc., leaves for Cleve-land Monday (12) to prepare an ex-hibit of the complete Tradio line for display at the annual convention of the National Restaurant Association The show, to be held in Cleveland's Public Auditorium, will run from April 14 to 17... Lou Brown, presi-dent of Coradio, was in Atlanta last week on biz. week on biz.

Charles Kaiser, president of the Coin Charles Kaiser, president of the com Metered Washing Machine Operators Association, reports that the associa-tion's annual dinner-dance, scheduled for this Saturday (10), has been in-definitely postponed. . . Max Weiss, Roni Sales prexy, says he is having Norsoamerica hot popcorn machines flown in from the Coast to meet op-erator demand. erator demand.

Al Schwarz, public relations direc-tor of the National Association of Automatic Machine Owners and as-sistant to its president, F. McKim Smith, announced last week his resig-nation from the organization, effective Saturday (10). His next job will be as public relations and advertising manager for a Chicago manufacturing manager for a Chicago manufacturing

Jack Mitnick, who resigned April 3 as sales manager of Runyon Sales. local AMI distributor, says he will soon announce his plans in the in-dustry. . . Al Simon won't be able to open his new store on 42d Street this week as planned. Extensive al terations to the new location, which promises to be one of the show spots (See New York on page 114)

#### Indianapolis:

The Indiana Music Operators As The Indiana Music Operators As-sociation, Chapter 1, Tuesday (6) held its regular monthly dinner business meeting at the 40 & 8 Club quarters Abe Fleig, president, handled the meet. Business matters were dis-cussed after the reading of the min-utes of the last meeting. . . Peter Stone, Indiana Automatic Sales Com-Stone, Indiana Automatic Sales Com-pany, visiting ops in the western part of the State, reports business improv-ing. . Dan Brennen, regional sales manager for Aireon Manufacturing Corporation, is off on a jaunt to Memphis and points in Kentucky looking after Aireon interests.

Lloyd Anderson, Terre Haute. Ind., operator, was on coin row Tuesday buying new equipment and parts... James and Irving Eyster, Eyster Music Company, Terre Haute, have returned from an extended vacation in Florida. . . Robert Swering and Ted Ingmire. Northern Automatic Music Company. were visitors on coin row inspecting new equipment.

Sure sign of spring in Indianapolis are the signs advertising Pollack Bros.' Circus, at the Murat Temple, sponsored by members of the Shrine. Posters are being displayed in all windows on coin row. . . William Bolles, advertising manager of Pack-ard Manufacturing Company, is call-ing on operators in the Southern States.

#### Houston:

Houston: The Seeburg Select-o-Matic 200 Library was introduced here with a four-day public showing last week. A press and radio party held evening of March 31 gave about 150 representatives of the local press, ning local radio stations, several near-by town radio stations and numerous out-of-town newspapers and magazines a preview of the new music library. The party consisted of cock-tail hour, luncheon, entertainment ad demonstration of the Select-o-Matic by J. R. Johnson, of the Houston branch, S. H. Lynch & Company, A. A. Sage, manager of the Lynch branch, acted as host. Among guests at the speakers table was S. A. Lynch owner of S. H. Lynch & Company Seeburg distributor in most of the Southern and Southwestern States.

The Billboard

Los Angeles:

#### Roston:

Thousands of operators, location Thousands of operators, location owners and interested citizens visited Hotel Touraine last week to view the new Seeburg Select-o-Matic auto-matic machine, which plays 200 're-cordings and operates for 14 hours without repeating, displayed by Atlas Distributors, exclusive distributors here. E. T. Montague, newly ap-pointed sales manager for the com-pany, reported the company is ex-nanding its distribution organization. panding its distribution organization. Montague is well known to New Eng-Montague is well known to New Eng-land industrialists and research lab-oratories, having been for several years identified with the radio and electronics industry. Atlas Distribu-tors also exhibited the machine at the first annual Electric Show in Me-thering Duilding. New England interest in the equip-ment as "very enthusiastic."

Television is playing a big part Television is playing a big part in the first annual Electric Show being held here this week at the Mechanics Building. With actual, regularly scheduled telecasts set to make their debut here early next month when Station WBZ-TV starts operation, ops had a chance to pre-view the visual medium at the show, where many special features, includ-ing spring training camp baseball movies were shown.

#### Knoxville:

The Shaffer Music Company here held a showing of the new Select-o-Matic, J. P. Seeburg's commercial-industrial music equipment, at the Kanawha Hotel. Attracting large crowds, which included not only members of the coin machine field and industry, but also the general public, the showings featured demon-strations of the 200-selection ma-chine. Several hundred persons were chine. Several hundred persons were on hand daily.

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#### Hartford, Conn.:

Quite a bit of ballyhoo went on in Connecticut's capital city April 7-10 in conjunction with the New England in conjunction with the New England regional display (at the Hotel Bond, Hartford) of Seeburg's "Selecto-Matic." The machine was given ex-tensive promotion over disk jockey Joe Girand's WCCC two-hour show April 9. On April 10, Girand broad-cast his show from the Bond Hotel's healtroom featuring a coke party for cast his show from the Bond Holer's ballroom, featuring a coke party for local youngsters, invited thru the YWCA teen-age canteen. Buzz See-burg, grandson of the Seeburg founder, was slated to arrive from Florida April 9 to attend the party. Florida April 9 to attend the party. Girand built an entire disk jockey show around the "Select-o-Matic" deal afternoon of April 10, with Con-necticut radio station disk jockey in-vited to attend. Local Seeburg dis-tributor, Atlantic-Connecticut Corp-oration, tied up with the radio sta-tion on the jockey promotion. Gi-rand, of WCCC, worked thru George Hurwitz, of Atlantic-Connecticut Corporation, on the deal. Corporation, on the deal.

The Billboard

The Cigarette Vending Service Company, 726 Wethersfield Avenue. in Hartford's south end. is celebrating its first anniversary. The outfit, which is operated by World War II veterans, has extended its operations into some 18 towns and cities in the Hartford territory. Owners of the company are Nathan Weil, G. G. Weil, and Leon Fishberg.

#### El Paso, Tex.:

E. J. Pepper, Hereford, Tex., dis-trict sales manager for Aireon here, reports the showing in El Paso of the reports the showing in El Paso of the new Coronet 400 was a success from every aspect. With W. F. (Bill) Roberts, Aireon's regional sales manager in attendance, operators in this area had an opportunity to see the new location Coronet as well as the club model which also features a radio set Sam Guido and Joe a radio set. Sam Guido and Joe Moro, Border Amusement Company, talked Pepper into selling them his tarked repper into selling them his own sample machine before he left Hereford. Operators from the vari-ous cities thruout the State attended the showing, as did a good represen-tation from New Mexico.

#### Atlanta:

Along with numerous other cities thruout the country, Atlanta last week-end had the opportunity to view the new J. P. Seeburg Select-o-Matic 200 Library player. The showing, held by the Sparks Specialty Com-pany, Inc., at the Biltmore Hotel, at-tracted hundreds of industry. press. tracted hundreds of industry, press, radio and coin machine representa-tives as well as a large number of residents of the city. Demonstrations were conducted from 10 a.m. thru 10 p.m. during the run of the show.

#### Oklahoma City:

S. H. Lynch & Company office S. H. Lynch & Company office here held a four-day showing last week of the new J. P. Seeburg Select-o-Matic in the Green Room at the Skirvin Hotel. Handling the demonstrations of the new industrialaemonstrations of the new industrial-commercial music equipment was Wayne Copeland, of the Lynch office. Showings were held from Thursday (1) thru Sunday (4) with a record turnout of the industrial representa-tives in this area noted.

#### **Memphis:**

The S. H. Lynch Distributing Com-pany here introduced the new J. P. Seeburg Select-o-Matic in this city last week in a showing at the King Cotton. A specially invited first night audience, made up of press and radio representatives, was treated to a showing of Seeburg juke boxes, dating back to a model pro-duced in 1934, by George Sammons, manager of the distributing com-pany's Memphis branch. The firm's sales staff was on hand from Thurs-day thru Sunday to demonstrate the new equipment new equipment.



**COIN MACHINES** 

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"Don't be upset, miss. Nothing bothers Horace since he got G-E lamps for all his coin machines." General Electric lamps make Burnout worries scurry-and that's good for any operator's disposition. Even if your lamp supplier can't always fill your order right away, keep asking for G-EI General Electric Co., Nela Park, Cleveland 12, Ohlo.



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exceeded the 25 mark. Joseph Kolodny, president of the National Association of Tobacco Dis-tributors (NATD), and Jerome Kauf-man, the association's director of industry and public affairs, left for Chicago Friday (9) to be on hand for the opening of NATD's annual con-vention at the Palmer House Monday (12)... Also heading for Chi is Abe Benjamin, who heads the newly-formed Massage-o-Mat Company.

equipped midget movies have now

George Hurwich, of the Atlantic Connecticut Corporation, relays the news that his showing of Seeburg's new 200-play Select-o-Matic in Hartford. Conn., this week drew hundreds of interested spectators. Thru a special tie-in, WCCC's disk jockey, Joe Girand, broadcast his afternoon program from George's showrooms.

#### Los Angeles:

(Continued from page 112) (Continued from page 112) manufacturers of a dual shoeshine machine, lining up business for his Sacramento company. . . Norso-america, national sales agents for the Kunkel hot popcorn vender, has an-nounced a new conversion kit which enables operators to convert their popcorn machines to hot peanut venders at a very low price.

Leon (Hi-Ho) Silver, in town from San Francisco on vacation. He accompanied by his son, Leon Jr. He is Operators seem to be enthusiastic about the new Shipman three-column Select-A-Bar, candy vender, . . . Re-cent visitors at Badger Sales Company here were Cecil Vincent, Robert Boyd, A. J. Bartholomew. E. E. Peterson, Kenneth Wolfe and H. E. Quinn, all of San Diego: E. S. Trimble, Huntington Park; Frank Walnum, San Luis Obispo: S. L. Griffen, Pomona: Stanley Little, Lake Wood Village: J. W. Mystrom, Bell Gardens: L. G. Wagner, San Ber-nardino: L. D. Smith, Downey: J. L. Orr, Gardena, Orville Kindig, Long Beach, and Talman Andress, Phoenix. Ariz.

(Continued from page 112) Distributing Corporation of Illinois, which handles the new Aireons under the Biltmore Distributing monicker, is quite the optimistic lad these days. Vic says that "the old \$\$\$'s seem to be loosening up and things are a bit freer."

Tom Forester, Johnson Fare Box Company's vending division sales-manager, is currently in Dallas on one leg of his extensive Western business tour. He is due back in Chicago May 8. . . . Al Schecter, Howard Machine Products Company, reports the line of coin-operated portable typewriters the firm handles are being pushed by an expanded sales force. Al is going to enlarge the coverage still further by additional salesmen to be added soon.

Swing Time Music Company, thru Manager Vince Angeleri, is inaugurating a week--by-week rate-of-play chart for each route. Taking in the over-all route, the chart, which starts from an arbitrary zero point, will eventually show play progress and graphically illustrate up, down or steady earnings on any one route. Vince promises more details after the system has heap in evention several system has been in operation several

Jack Kelner, head of Kelner Vendors here, is really deep in the sugar these days. He has been named to head the drive of the Chicago area tobacco division by the American Cancer Society. Pat Wilson, Kelner's assistant, is doing a good job of running the business these days, Jack reports. . . . AMI has pushed back the date of its distribu-tors meeting two weeks, from April 23 to May 7 because of some important religious holidays that fall on the former date. Lindy Force. AMI's man-ager of general sales, reports that 0. O. Mallegg, foreign representative for the firm, is back from a two-month business trip thru several Central American countries.

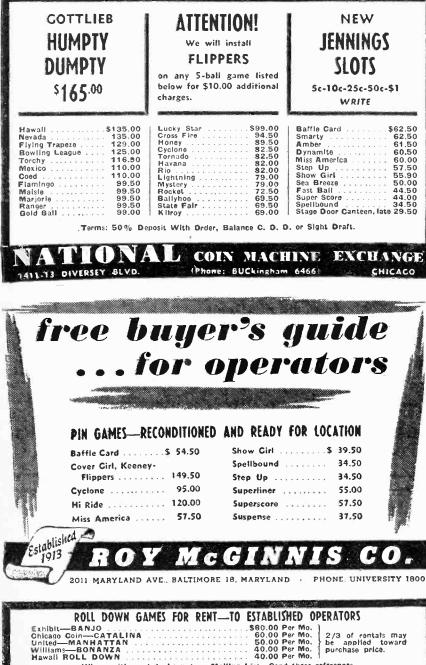
Out-of-towners continue to drop in at the United Manufacturing Com-pany headquarters on Upper Broad-way to look over the firm's newest products and to renew acquaintances with Lyn Durant, firm head, and Billy Decome colos menorer Among the Deselm, sales manager. Among the visitors this week were George Prock,



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of the General Distributing Company, Dallas, and Leonard Goldstein, T & C Distributing Company, Cincinnati,

Clarence Bayne, United States Vending Corporation, has been spending most of his time recently on the road in behalf of the firm's new air-conditioned candy machine. Clarence was absent from his Chicago headquarters all last week, traveling thru the South. He'll be back Tuesday (13) but not for long. Meanwhile, USVC reports enthusiastic response to their unit and, with summer coming on, increased interest is being displayed in the airconditioned vender.

Fred Mann, Aireon's Midwestern regional manager, continues to burn up the rail and air ways with his travel schedule. He was scheduled to leave for Milwaukee the beginning of this week, then continue on to Cleveland for the Ohio State Phonograph Owners' Association meeting Wednesday (14), return to Chicago to catch up on his mail here, then again head north, winding up in Minneapolis to attend the four-State convention in the Twin Cities. Fred is also working out a series of operator-schools to be held in the various cities he covers for Aireon.

William Rabin, Filben president, is spending more time in the air'than he is on the ground these days. Bill returned from the East last week to work on the showing schedules for the firm's new Maestro '48 juke box, but Friday he was back in the air, this time winging his way to Miami where he had scheduled a series of meetings over the week-end, and was due back in Chicago by Monday (12). Sam Drucker, meanwhile, has also been doing a lot of traveling in connection with Filben business. Sam spent last week-end in St. Paul with Jack Carter, Midwest Distributing Company, setting up a showing in the Twin Cities for the Maestro.

Bob Soper, sales manager for Self Service Laundries, distributors of the Wilcox Gay Coin Recordio in this area, reports good response to the coin-operated voice recorder. Self Service, which is headed by Walter Graham, is marketing the recorder as a service vender. Graham and Soper claim that the recorder's many uses as a voice letter writer both for use by business firms and for writing personal letters home has great play appeal. . . Even coinmen not interested in the music field put in an appearance at the Seeburg showing held by the Atlas Music Company in the Stevens Hotel. Genial Eddie Ginsburg, head of Atlas, was never too busy to explain in detail the operation of the Select-o-Matic. His staff was also exceptionally co-operative.

Regional exchange office here of the Army Exchange System takes a very enlightened view toward the location of venders on army and air force installations located within its 12-State sphere. Tho considered of prime value as a morale booster, the automatic merchandisers provide an excellent source of revenue.... Riverview Park, one of the leading amusement parks in the Midwest States, is getting ready to do a renovating job in preparation for the coming season which opens late in May.

Cigarette vender operators attending the NATD convention will be entertained by both Diamond Match and Universal Match. Diamond will hold an open-house type of cocktail party, while Universal will put on its annual corn beef party, with both events scheduled for the Palmer House's Red Lacquer Room. One of the top features of the two match firm parties is that out-of-town ops usually get a better chance to meet each other and talk shop under pleasant surroundings.

Some game manufacturing firms report that altho parts are still reaching them in steady quantities, a prolonged coal strike could change the parts picture. Virtually all coin manufacturing firms in this area have been asked by the Department of Commerce to fill out questionnaires regarding their production capacities. ... Several local coinmen plan to attend the Ohio State Phonograph Owners' annual convention in Cleveland's Hollenden Hotel Wednesday (14).

#### Twin Cities:

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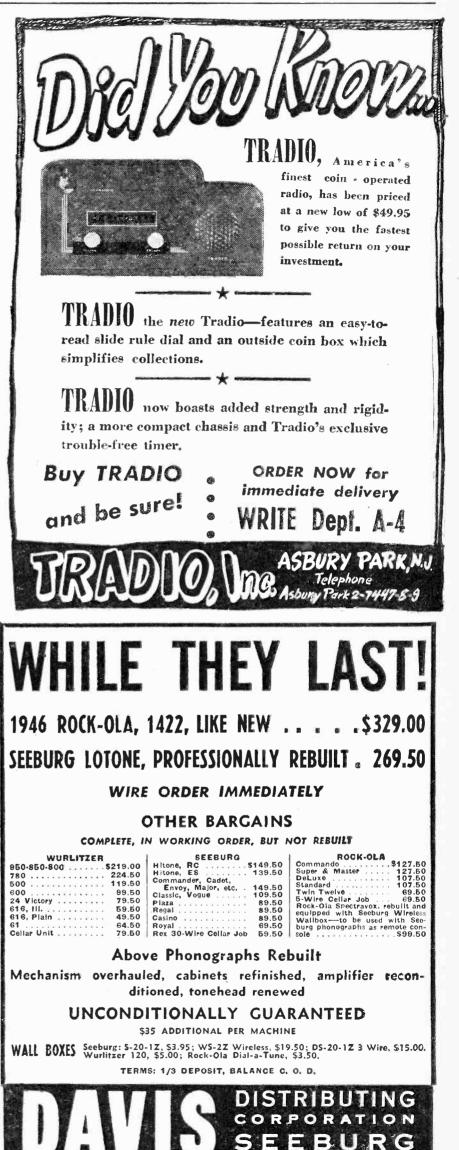
Doug Gleason, of Atlas Sales Company, Minneapolis, was catching his breath last week following a showing at the Northwest Sportsmen's Show of merchandise in his other businessfishing lures. . . Lyle Kesting, Bellingham, Minn., operator, who was here shopping, reported he is pleased with operating five-ball games with the new flippers. . . Milo Whisman, Iron Range operator, has moved his headquarters from Hibbing to Virginia, Minn. . . Nels Nelson, Hy-G Music Company salesman, is off the road and taking a postman's holidaytraveling to Chicago to visit his people there.

The State tax commissioner reports that cigarette taxes collected in March were \$658,581,68, bringing to \$6.115,-643.10 the excise collected since the levy went into effect last July 1. . . . A. E. Coddington, Minneapolis operator, is recovered from a flu attack and back taking care of his locations. . . . Flu victim last week was Sid Levin, of Hy-G Music Company. . . Phil Smith, already operating in Iowa and in Fargo, N. D., is starting route operations in Minnesota—"40 miles from the Twin Cities"—he told Minneapolis-St. Paul jobbers whom he visited this week.

A. E. Oberg, Grand Forks, N. D., operator, is back from his annual vacation trip to Hot Springs. . . A weekly visitor is Pete Vanderheid, Dodge Center, Minn., coinman. . . Herman Paster, head of Paster Distributing Company, St. Paul Wurlitzer distributors, was due at his desk last week-end following a vacation with his family in Florida. . . Bob Addington, Minot, N. D., operator, reported by telephone to the Twin Cities that Minot and Bismarck are snowed in again with a 12-inch fall of the white stuff. . . Van Middlemas, of Bismarck, due in Minneapolis to pick up a load of scales, couldn't make it because of the snowfall.

Rumor has it that Ted Seligman has left Twin Ports Sales. Minneapolis, and is dickering to go back with Mayflower Distributing Company, where he worked several years ago. . . . Eddie Holman, of Minnesota Machines Company, reportedly placing several diggers in Minneapolis locations. . . . Hy-G Music Company is enjoying considerable action on Watling scales, Hy Greenstein said. . . Rudy G. Greenbaum, general sales manager, and Fred Mann, regional sales manager for Aireon, are due in this week to attend the coin machine show at the Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis. . . . Ken Willis, Aireon sales manager for Nebraska and Iowa, was visiting Bush Distributing Company. Aireon jobbers here, on whose sales staff he once was.

Among visitors last week were Don Hazelwood, of Aitkin, Minn., and Walter Hugeback, of New Hampton, Ia., buying five-balls; L. A. Anderson, Hudson, Wis.; Frank Davidson, Spooner, Wis.; Charles Kopacek, La Crosse, Wis.; L. Chiepiewski, Bangor, Wis.; L. J. Savard, Red Lake Falls, Minn.; Jerry Hartwig, St. Cloud, Minn.; Carl Peterson, Fergus Falls, Minn.; Frank Phillips and Don Ehmon, Winona, Minn. . . Bob Murphy, show window columnist for The Minneapolis Star, went all out in a recent pillar extolling Seeburg's new SICM, claiming that the device can do everything but cook and cuddle.



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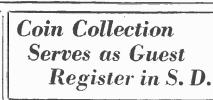
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SIOUX FALLS, S. D., April 10. If he wanted to, City Treasurer Ed Carey, of Sioux Falls, could play billiards in any pool hall east, south. west and north of here; he could ride on almost any city transit service in the United States, and he could start a foreign coin collection.

All of those items, in addition to the regular coins, have been taken from Sioux Falls parking meters. So far, Carey has gleaned from the meters coins from India, Norway, Japan, China, Italy, Germany, France, Canada, England, Mexico, Belgium, Argentina, New Foundland, Palestine, Liberia, Egypt, Holland, Denmark, ord our Burgin and even Russia.

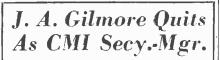
In addition at least 1.000 broken, punched, beaten and battered pennies and 100 nickels in similar condition have been removed from the coin boxes since the installation of meters in January, 1947.

### **Portale Forms New Portland Distrib** Firm

PORTLAND, Ore., April 10.-Robert (Bob) Portale, well-known Northwest coinman, has announced the opening of a new distributing agency here. The new firm, to open offices about May 1, will be known as the Maport Distributing Company and will act as jobber and distributor for coinconcrated games and phonocoin-operated games graphs, Portale said. and phono-

Portale was for two years outside representative for the M. S. Wolf Distributing Company, Seattle, and was made general manager of the Portland branch of this firm in May, 1947.

Maport Distributing Company will feature Filben Mirrocle Music as well as other lines of amusement machines and phonographs.



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vears spent in association work, especially in the oil field.

After joining CMI he traveled ex-tensively, attending many State and city meetings of operators.

With the outbreak of World War II, Gilmore, after CMI had decided to disband its activities as manufac-turers in the field were converting their facilities for production of war materials, joined the National Hard-wood Lumber Association, where he managed a major membership drive for the association for the association.

In September, 1945. when CMI again resumed its activities, Gilmore returned as secretary-manager, and took up his duties at the point where he left off with the advent of war. On April 2, 1946, the CMI recognized his service by electing him a member of the board of directors for three years. He still had one year to go when he tendered his resignation.

Following the acceptance of his resignation, Gilmore said he had no immediate plans for the future, be-yond his desire to take a much-needed rest. After that, he indicated, he would either enter business for himself, or possibly take another po-sition in the trade association field sition in the trade association field.



(Continued from page 97) level. When this awaited demand did not return towards the end of January not return towards the end of January and well into February, several makers of home appliances whose production schedule had been stepped up gradually over a long period of time immediately felt the affects of the stiffened market. This was par-ticularly true of producers of lower-priced radios, and a few were forced to close their plant doors to close their plant doors.

#### Radio, Juke Output Off

With the lessened output by home appliance manufacturers and the drop in production of radio builders, sup-pliers of these industries were left with heavy surpluses of electrical component parts, many of which are readily adaptable to the building and maintenance of coin machines. This competition from suppliers of the gen-eral appliance and radio supply field had the effect of throwing heavy stocks of electrical components on the open market, a factor readily grasped by coin machine manufacturers. Another contributing factor from within the coin machine trade itself was that more than one juke box maker cut his music machine production schedules while others stopped production lines altogether at least for a temporary period. Naturally less demand from within the field itself loosened the tension on parts channels.

Another factor weighing heavy on the flow of materials for coin machine output is that the demand for certain types of furniture which started slackening toward the end of 1947 became more pronounced in early 1948. This material is of a type that is usable for cabinets on both amusement games and some music machines.

Sheet steel, a product in constant demand by producers of candy, hot coffee and soft drink venders, has been considered a hard nut to crack during the post-war era because of the tremendous use this product has in automobile construction. However, steel authorities claimed this week that the alleged gray market value of sheet steel has slumped approxi-mately \$80 a ton recently, with a scant number of buyers taking advan-tage of the drop. The reason that this product has become devaluated to such an extent is that sheet steel output has picked up noticeably in the past months. Two factors that could again make the alleged gray market more profitable in a short time are the continuance of the soft coal strike for any appreciable period and re-entry of production for the military by producers of sheet steel producing concerns.

One item pointed to as short and that will remain under demand at least for the remainder of the year is aluminum. Produced chiefly in two areas—the Tennessee Valley and the Columbia River Valley—aluminum reduction processes have been sharply curtailed because both producing curtailed because both producing regions have been hit by severe drouths recently, which in turn caused a drop in the use of electricity in both areas and decreased aluminum reduc-

#### **Evanston Installs Meters**

EVANSTON, Ill., April 10.-Instal-EVANSTON, III., April 10.—Instal-lation of 750 parking meters was started here Wednesday (31), after the city council authorized coin meter parking January 29. Current instal-lation is first of proposed total of 1.100 meters to "lick the suburb's growing parking problem." City of-ficials estimate that the annual meter revenue will bit \$70,000 to \$80,000 revenue will hit \$70,000 to \$80,000. This will be used for purchase of city-owned parking lots, it is claimed.



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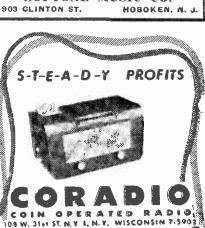
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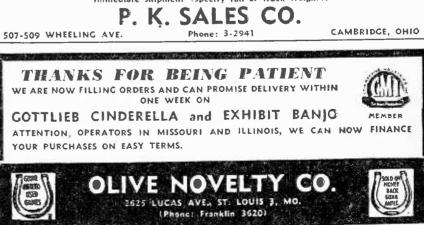
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Allite engineers have arranged for Allite engineers have alranged for the coin to trip the game instead of the coin chute, thus eliminating player control. Money box is sepa-rately locked. Scoring unit features metal rachet gears.

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metal rachet gears. The firm will manufacture the new game on a limited basis. On special order, the machine will be divided thru the head so that it will pass thru a 30-inch door.

Allite also declared that a 16 to

18-ounce ball will be used. The game has a new simplified ball lock-

game. The roll-over switches are in a dustproof container and factory ad-

justed. Ball returns in an all metal

In improving the coin mechanism.



30 bell machines, are making vigor-ous demands for the return of cash contained in the machines. Thru prominent city officials who are also prominent city officials who are also members of the lodges, the fraternal-ists are insisting that the bell ma-chines were maintained to assist welfare funds and that the cash cannot be called "gambling evi-dence."

dence." One question to be answered is what happened to the money, said to total several thousand dollars in all, and to produce records that would show whether the cash was deposited with the city treasury. The bells were of the 10, 25 and 50-cent variety and were recently removed variety and were recently removed from the lodge rooms reportedly after a number of complaints had been received that the machines were operating.

Lodge officials said they began asking various police officials about the money in bells and when they got no response, took up the matter with city officials who happen to be lodge brothers. These city officials made no promises, but it is understood that they, too, began to ask questions about what happened to the money about what happened to the money that was in the machines. They wanted to know whether it was in the custody of the chief clerk of the department of public safety or was turned over to the city treasury. Thus far, it is reported that their questions have gone unanswered.

### MITCHELL, S. D., April 10.— A youth was released without charges here recently after po-lice found a parking meter in his room. The youth said he had found the meter in the street and had taken it to the room to show his friends. **Marvel Starts Deliveries on**

**New Five-Ball** CHICAGO, April 10.-Leap Year, the new five-ball game being pro-duced by the Marvel Manufacturing Company here, is being delivered, Eed Rubenstein, Marvel president, and D. A. Wallach, sales manager, announced this week.

Announced this week. Marvel's latest product is high-lighted by an outhole feature which is specifically designed to give the players peak interest until after the final ball in each game has come to a complete stop. Reason for this is that it is entirely possible for the player to record 240,000 points after the last ball drops in the outhole if the player has built up the bonus score and skillfully made use of the new game's filpper bumpers. Bonus Wheel

#### Bonus Wheel

Bonus Wheel Bonus Wheel Bonus wheel on the new game goes to 50,000 points, is built up in 10,000-point blocks. A kick-out pocket in the center of the playfield advances the bonus wheel 10,000 points and adds 10,000 points on the regular scoreboard. Leap Year also includes a scoring feature wherein it is pos-sible for the player to try for extra points each time the regular score-board is at 5,000-point denominations. On this new Marvel game, the player, with the aid of skill, must put out the words "leap year" as they appear on the scoreboard. This is accomplished by going thru key roll-over switches in the center of the playfield. After the player has suc-cessfully accomplished this feat he has a good opportunity to win many extra points.

extra points.

#### Improved Outhole

Improved Uuthole Outhole feature on Leap Year is an improved version of this Marvel special scoring feature on a previous game. Main improvement is that the outhole has six holes, compared with five before. This added hole makes the play of the game run in smooth fashion.

with five before. This added hole makes the play of the game run in smooth fashion. Marvel has Leap Year equipped with either the conventional single coin chute or with the firm's specially developed "plus-four" coin chute that has proved popular with operators and players alike. In the plus-four coin chute the player has a choice of inserting one to four nickels in the playing of a single game. Player in-serting two nickels for one game must attain a lower point score to win re-plays. The more nickels the player inserts, up to four, the lower is his replay winning score. For instance, in the current game, 550,000 points win one replay on the insertion of a single nickel, whereas if the player made the same number of points playing two nickels he would win two replays, or three replays for three nickels and finally four replays on four nickels. Other winning scores four nickels. Other winning scores are also scaled to give a graduated number of replays according to the number of nickels inserted.

#### Ga. Town Tries Meters

SANDERSVILLE, Ga., April 10.— Parking meters installed here during the last two weeks went into opera-tion this week, city officials an-nonced. Meters will be given a trial for six months and, if popular with merchants and public, will be re-tained tained.

### No Parking Room Reorganized Allite Mfg. **Readies New Bowling Game**

LOS ANGELES, April 10.- A new automatic scoring and pin-setting bowling alley, claimed to be the only device of its kind, is soon to be released under the name of Allite 1948 Bowling Alley. Manufactured by Allite Manufacturing Company, the former manufacturers of Strikes "N" Spares, the machine will be 14 feet long, 33 inches wide and have ap-proximately 30 features. A spokesman for Allite, reorgan-ized and operating under new man-

agement, said that the new game will have all-metal spring pins weighing only  $4\frac{1}{2}$  ounces each and in durable chrome finish so that they will not chip or break. The new pin main-tains all of the suspense noise but is deadened a point, and the manufacturers believe it is a selling point to locations.

Bowling alley has a new cable stressed at 600 pounds per square inch, working on a flanged pulley, inch, working on a hanged pulley, thus eliminating cable jump. Cables are fully spring covered to assure long life. The pin release switch has been eliminated with a simplified design of the cable spring touching the contact ring. There are no moving parts.

In designing this game, actually 220 parts less than were used in Strikes "N" Spares are used, which allows for a minimum of working parts in the pin pulley units. The check forter in the nin pulley has also shock factor in the pin puney units. The shock factor in the pin pulley has also been reduced 300 per cent. The unit is easily accessible from service doors on each side of the cabinet.

on each side of the cabinet. The game will also feature an all-metal tubular shield over the front end of the game, scoring field and with full protection the full length of the alley. The front shield also serves to reinforce the front end of the cabinet along with the reinforced locking system. Another "front" im-provement is the alley cushion. An locking system. Another "front" im-provement is the alley cushion. An additional over-all protection is se-cured with a time clock set to cut all electric current 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> minutes after the last setting of pins. A new foul line stand is included with the machine to insure player's standing close to machine.

#### Penn. Ops Request Lower Games Taxes

LANCASTER, Pa., April 10.—En-actment of a \$20 annual city tax on pinball and juke box machines will cause local distributors to with-draw half of their locations, rep-resentatives of the amusement ma-chines told a recent meeting of city council here, and asked the council to lower the proposed tax rate. In fighting the tax, the juke box distributors were legally represented by Charles W. Eaby Jr. Eaby also asked that the proposed tax on music machines be lower than the levy on

pinballs.

The attorney told council that Lan-caster now has about 125 juke boxes in operation. If the levy is reduced to \$10 a year, Eaby said, about 20 per cent of the locations will be abandoned. Ralph M. Barley, representing pin-ball operators, cited the advanced costs of the machines, and said that an amusement game now costing \$230 remains in service for about one year. Both industry spokesmen predicted

Both industry spokesmen predicted that when television machines ap-pear in the city, business on pinballs and jukes will drop 50 to 60 per cent, because operation of the macent,

cent, because operation of the ma-chines mar television reception. Mayor Dale Cary told the 10 opera-tors and their counsel that "your objections will be given every con-sideration before the bill is called for final reading."

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  O. Boronat (Verdi: Tutte) Victor 15-1023
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   Defauw, Dir. . . Victor M/DM-1196
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   Columbia MOP-27
  Saint-Saens: Omphale'a Spinning Wheel
   Sir T. Beecham, Bart., Dir.-Royal Phili harmonic Ork. Victor 0152
  Schubert: Ave Maria
   J. Melton-RCA Victor Ork-F. Black,
   Dir. (Schubert: Serenade)
  J. Melton-RCA Victor Ork-F. Black,
   Dir.
   (Schubert: Ave) Victor 12-0153
  Stravinsky: L'Histoire Du Soldat: Octet
   for Wind Instruments Album (6-12")
   L. Bernstein, Dir. . . Victor M/DM 1197
  Thomas: Addio Mignon, Fa Core (Fare well Mignon, Take Heart)

- for Wind Instruments Album (5-12")
  L. Bernstein, Dir. . . . Victor M/DM-1197
  Thomas: Addio Mignon, Fa Core (Fare-well Mignon, Take Heart)
  F. De Lucia (Verdi: Del) . . . . . Victor 15-1024
  Verdi: Aida E Me Togliesti (Aida Thou Hast Taken) (12")
  L. Homer-E. Caruso (Verdi: Gia) Vic-tor 15-1025
  Verdi: Dei Miei. Bollenti Spiriti (Wild Dream of My Youth) (12")
  F. De Lucia (Thomas: Addio) Victor 15-1024
  Verdi: Fia I Sacerdoti Adunansi (The Priests Assemble) (12")
  L. Homer-E. Caruso (Verdi: Aida) Vic-tor 15-1025
  Verdi: O Don Fatale! (Oh. Fatal Gift!) (12")
  J. Spencer (McLennan-Harris) Victor 15-1022
  Verdi: Tutte Le Feste Al Tempio (On Every Festal Morning)
  O. Boronat (Donizetti: So) Victor 15-1023
  Wagner: Parsifal: Prelude and Good Fri-day Spell Album (3-12")
  Boston Symphony Ork-S. Koussevitzky, Dir. . . . Victor M/DM-1198
  Why Do I Love You?
  D. Kirsten-R. Merrill (I'll See) Victor 10-1398

#### CHILDREN'S RECORDS

- Come To the Circus Album (2-10") J. Lawrence . . . Columbia MJ-44 Songs Children Love Album J. Nash-A. Fraser, Dir. . . . Melodee MA-28
- J. Mash-A. Praser, Dir. . . . Melodee MA-28
  Good Morning, Everybody; My Kiddle Car; The Policeman; Hobby Horse . . . Melodee M-281
  Little Bell; Child's Praise of Music; The Fairies; In Drowsy Land . . . Melodee M-284
  Merry Sunshine; Tinkling Rain; Rain-bow Fairies; The Miky Way . . . Melodee M-282
  The Purple Cow; The Elephant Trunk; Candyland . . Melodee M-283
  Sparky's Magic Piano Album (3-10")
  H. Blair-R. Turner . . . Capitol BC-73

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#### LATIN-AMERICAN

- LATIN-AMERICAN Alma Ranchera (Country Spirit) S. Alvarez (Celos) Victor 23-0816 Ay, Nicholas (Oh, Nicholas) Conjunto Casino (Como Una) Victor 23-0812 Celos (Jealosy) S. Alvarez (Alma Ranchera) Victor 23-0816 Como Una Madre (Motherly Love) Conjunto Casino (Ay, Nicholas) Victor 23-0812 Donde Quiera (Everywhere)
- 23-0812 Donde Quiera (Everywhere) P. Vargas (Milagro de) Victor 23-0809 El Bombon de Myrta (Myrta's Sweets) M. Silva (Rumba Desafora) Victor 23-0814
- 0814 El Desterrado (The Exile) P. Vargas-Mariachi San Pedro (Vuela Vuela) Victor 23-0815 Falsa Moneda (Counterfeit) M. Miranda Ork (Mira Tu) Victor 23-0810 Hasta Manana Vida Mia A. Laudin-Hermanos Figual (Juna
- Landin-Hermanos Rigual (Luna Α.
- A. Landin-Hermanos Rigual (Luna Lunera) Victor 23-0797
  Milagro de Amor (Miracle of Love)
  P. Vargas (Donde Quiera) Victor 23-0809
  Mira Tū (Look Here)
  M. Miranda Ork (Falsa Moneda) Vic-tor 23-0810
  Pobre Barbo (Unfortunate Bard) Cuarteto Mayari (Tu Carta) Victor 23-0811

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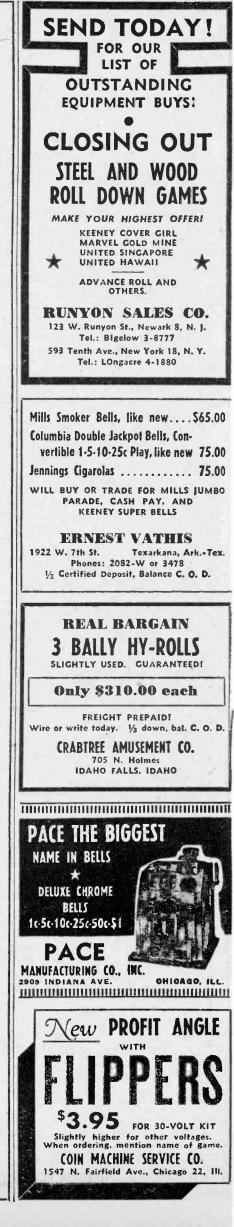
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#### HOT JAZZ

- Bill's Downbeat H. "Red" Allen Ork (Shanty In) Apollo 780
- Charlie Comes On C. Ventura Quintette (Jack-Pot) Savoy 663
- Chicken Reel Black-Smith Trio (The Mouse) Jewel G-4002
- Chillicothe, Ohio The E. Heywood Trio (Plymouth Rock) Victor 20-2839

- Victor 20-2839 Dutch Kitchen Bounce A. Cobb Band (Go Red) Apollo 778 Go, Red. Go A. Cobb Band (Dutch Kitchen) Apollo 778 Jack-Pot C. Ventura Quintette (Charlie Comes) Savoy 663
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- G-4002 The Parkers Album (3-10") C. Parker-L. Parker Savoy S-509 The World Is Walting for the Sunrise The B. Goodman Sextet (Shirley Steps) Capitol 15069





#### The Billboard



### The Billboard

#### April 17, 1948

### **Marvel Names** CLEVELAND COIN'S OUTSTANDING VALUES CHICAGO, April 10 .--- D. A. Wal-coin chute a short time ago.

Those listed by Wallach are Gen-eral Distributing Company, with of-fices in Dallas, El Paso, San Antonio, Houston and Oklahoma City; Cleve-land Coin Machine Exchange, Cleve-land Coin Machine Exchange, Cleveland Coin Machine Exchange, Cleve-land; King-Pin Distributing Company, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Southern Auto-matic Music Company, Louisville; Mullininx Amusement Company, At-lanta and Savannah, Ga.; Midwest Coin Machine Corporation, St. Paul; Williamsport Amusement Company, Williamsport, Pa.; C. T. McKenzie Music Company, Dillon, S. C., and the Arizona Sales Company, Phoenix, Ariz. Ariz.

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**Nine Distribs** 

lach, sales manager for Marvel Manufacturing Company, has announced the addition of nine distributing firms since Marvel introduced its plus-four

### Self - Glowing Sign Made by Rohm, Haa

PHILADELPHIA, April 10.with self-illuminating lettering, dec rative panels with edges and surfa designs that glow under their ov power are features of a new fluore cent form of acrylic plastic th has been introduced by Rohm & Ha has been introduced by Rohm & Ha Company here. The material, call daylight fluorescent plexiglas, applicable to identification signs a selector dials for coin machines a is described as having "built-in-ed lighting." Exposure of the plas to daylight or normal room illumin tion results in edge lights ordinar obtained by directing light into t edge of acrylic material.

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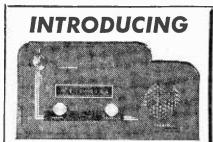
#### Smash Ill. Town's Meters

MAYWOOD, Ill., April 10.-Th teen of the new parking meters p into operation here Monday (5) we smashed by unknown parties t week, according to John Peters chief of police.



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#### April 17, 1948

### Leading Parts Firm One Of Coin's Alger Stories Of New 5-Bal

CHICAGO, April 10 .--- One of the most important but least publicized firms in the coin machine business is the WICO Corporation, leading supplier of coin machine parts.

It is headed by Max Wiczer, who originally formed the firm in the 1930's just after the worst effects of the depression had begun to wear off. WICO first started in business as the Harry Marcus Company, a name which still may be found on the pack-aging of WICO products, but which Wiczer formally dropped as a trade name well over a year ago.

#### Loyal Workers

Loyal Workers Wiczer claims that the success of his corporation was brought about by hard work by his loyal staffers and also somewhat due to a smile from the Goddess of Fate. For not too many years ago Wiczer was working for a modest wage and frequently wondering if he would ever get off the ground floor of the business world. But suddenly his fortunes changed. Wiczer came upon some parts for coin machines that he felt would have a ready market if he could get his sales idea over without having the need for much capital or could get his sales idea over without having the need for much capital or time. He tried plugging his parts thru direct mail advertising, which was set up on simple dime store sta-tionery. His idea clicked immediately but almost too well, for he had the orders and not epough capital to buy the necessary parts to fill his orders.

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USED GAMES
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He borrowed what he could and filled his orders. With the profits from the operation he became solvent and then on the firm made steady gains, started making parts and soon be-came the leader in the parts supply field.

#### Well Paid

Well Paid Wiczer says that main reason for the rise in the firm in a few years was due to the co-operation his fellow workers gave him. "I made it a point to hire people and pay them well," he explained, "and if they were the kind of employees I thought they were when I first hired them I knew that they would stick by me, work efficiently. For the only point I wanted them to know was that if they worked well the firm would prosper and they would be compen-sated accordingly."

one, president of Automatic Canteen Company of America, declared this week that the firm will "show some increase in sales this year, especially in the last six months ending Sep-tember 30." However, he added that net earnings will just about break even with those of last year, due to increased costs of materials increased costs of materials.

For the year ended September 27, 1947, Automatic Canteen sales amounted to \$18,000,000 and net profit totaled \$759,000, or \$1.55 per share on the 450,000 shares outstanding.

According to Leverone, distributors' demand for candy, gum and nut venders will require two years to fill. He said the company expected to an-nounce three new machines soon which will "produce a greater volume of business than the present equip-ment." New units are the electronic

ment." New units are the electronic sandwich venders, hot coffee machine and a milk dispenser. The hot sandwich unit, made for Canteen by General Electric Com-pany, has been redesigned and is cur-rently undergoing a 60-day test, Lev-erone said. The milk vender will be distributed in about a month, while the coffee vender will be available for location use in about three months.

#### **Ga.** Town Tests Meters

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Ga. Town Tests Meters SANDERSVILLE, Ga., April 10.— Chief of Police J. B. Garrett this week reported that parking meters in this city became operative Monday (5). The meters are of a standard type and motorists will pay 1-cent for 12 minutes of parking, a nickel for an hour, or a dime for two hours. Free parking will be per-mitted Sundays and holidays. Mem-bers of city council reported the parking meters would be given a six-month test and after that a de-cision will be made as to whether or not they will be retained. Revenue from the meters will be divided be-tween the city and the owners of the meters. the meters.

### **Begin Delivery** By Genco Mfg

CHICAGO, April 10.—Genco Manu facturing & Sales Company is de livering its newly produced five-ba game, Trade Winds, Louis Gensbur firm president, announced this weel

Game has flipper action and ir cludes six roll-over scoring button which insure rapid player action Scoring highlights of the new Gene

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 Emphasizing the growth of the firm he firm felt the 10,000 feet the new building houses would meet their needs for years to come. Right now Wiczer is contemplating an expansion move that would at least double the present facilities.
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lowed by running a ball thru tw other roll-overs marked "5 and 6." Each time the player goes thru roll-over switch affiliated with th roll-over switch affiliated with the yellow bonus build-up the bonus goo up 10,000 points. Build-up for the purple bonus works similarly. If order to collect points from the bonus score board, the player must go the roll-overs just above the game's our hole. One of these collects for the purple bonus, the other for the yellow bonus. bonus.

In addition to the features alread described, Trade Winds includes pair of flippers at the bottom of th playfield that the player may use f hurl a ball up on the playfield t win extra points.







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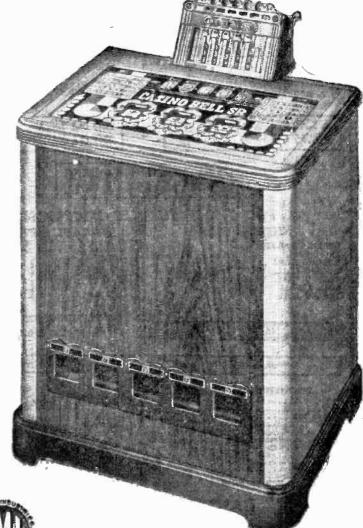
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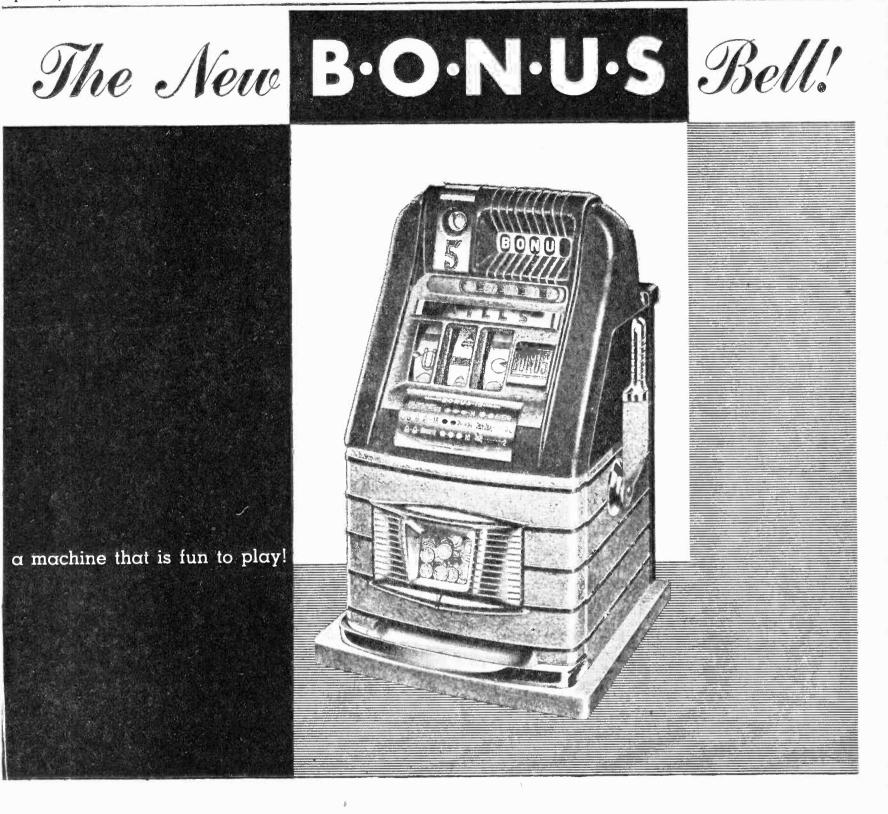
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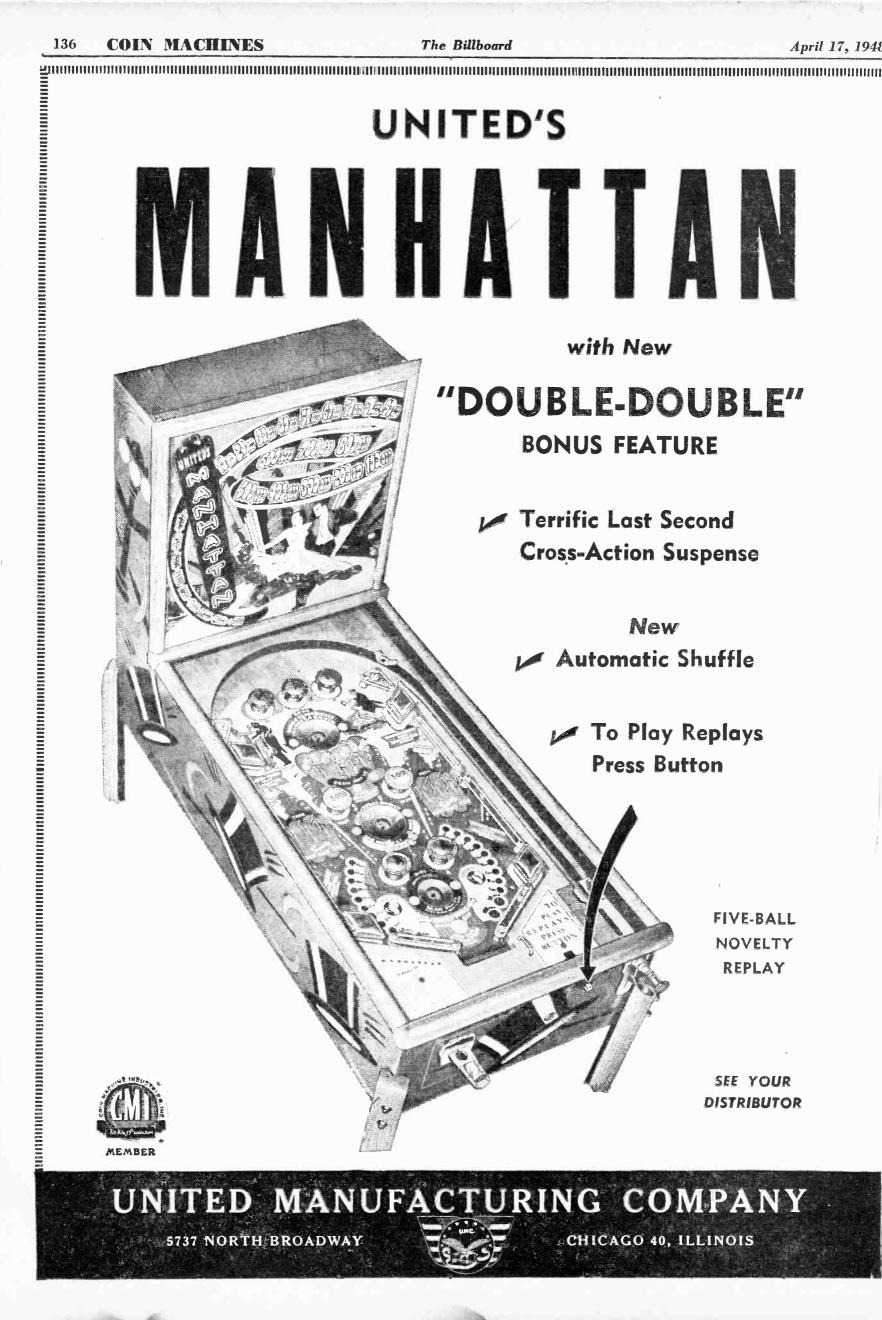
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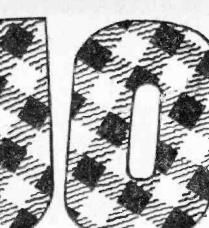






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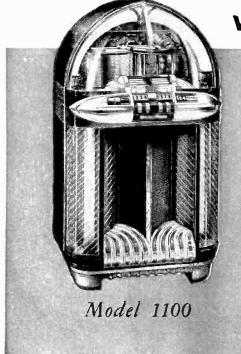
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