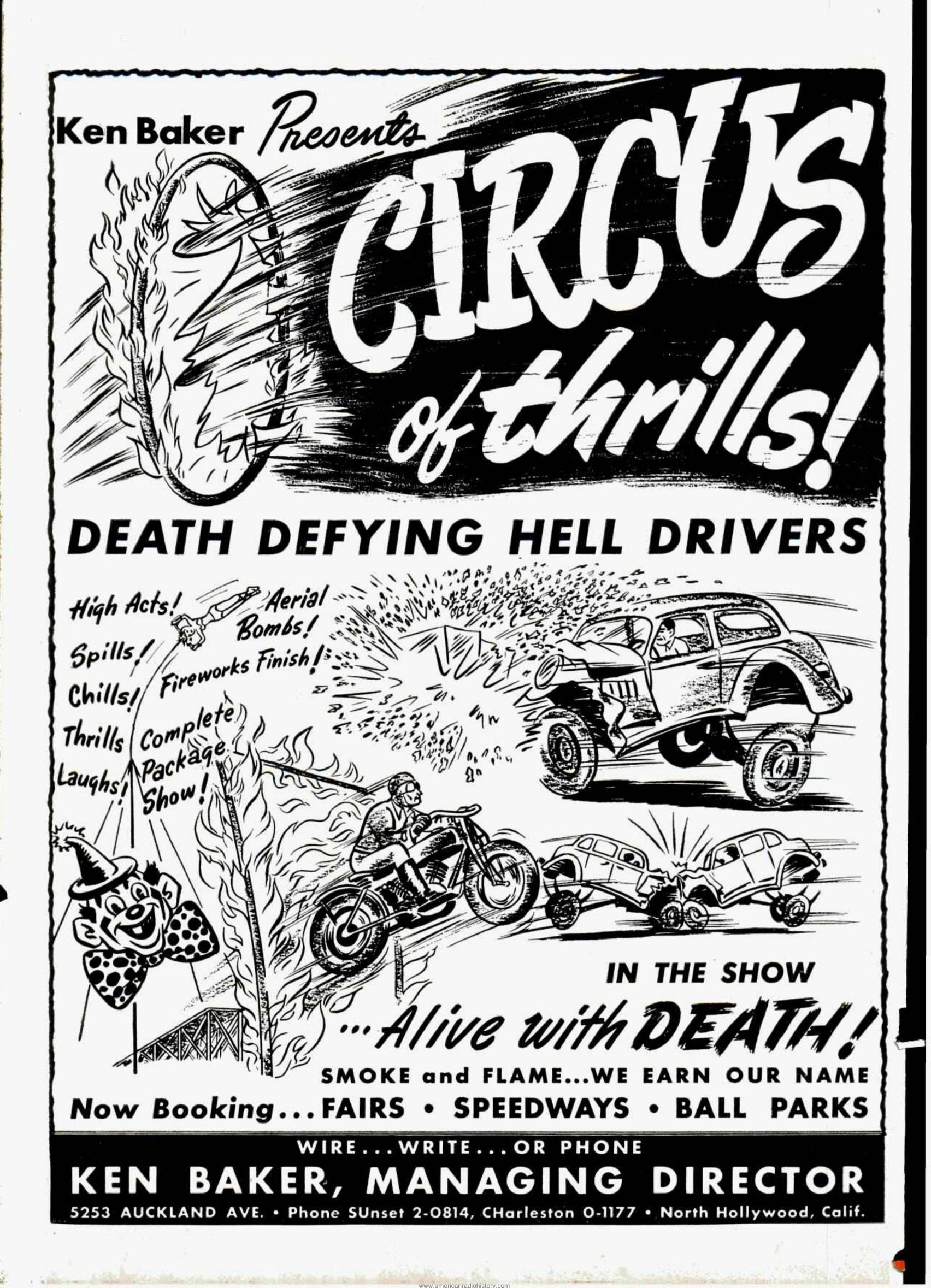


Harriet and Clyde Beatty, veteran animal trainers and circus operators, relax between performances in the back yard of their 20-car railroad show now playing another season on the West Coast. It's a long season for the Clyde Beatty Circus and a longer one for the owners who spend the winter making pictures in Hollywood and touring the Hawaiian Islands with their acts—Harriet and her elephant-riding tiger and Clyde's lion and tiger group. The 1949 season opened with a lush date (turnaways and capacities) in Los Angeles. In January Beatty completed "Africa Screams" at Nassour Studios in Hollywood, and a circus pic, "Danger Is Our Love," is being prepped by the same studio for fall shooting and featuring both the Beattys.

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GOING TO NON-ASCAP?

Kerchoo! It's the Maraccas Beans

DETROIT, May 7 .- A new occupational hazard for musicians was turned up here when Frank Gagen, orchestra leader, decided to call in a medico to see what he was sneezing about. Surprising about the symptom was that the sneezes came mostly when he did a rumba set. Routine tests showed he was allergic to beans.

Digging into the professional mystery, the doctor found Gagen had been using the maraccas, and the bean-type contents were producing the sneeze accompaniment.

## **Steinman Roller** Chalks 49G in 8 Shows in Cincy CINCINNATI, May 7.-Hal Stein-

man's Skating Vanities, roller show, in eight performances at the new Cincinnati Gardens, April 26-May 1, attracted 25,125 paid admissions for a gross of \$49,239. Ducats were scaled from \$1.25 to \$3, with a cut-rate deal in effect opening night. Show did a matinee Saturday and Sunday.

With a \$1 to \$2.50 price scale, Buster Crabbe's Aqua Parade pulled bruited publisher and songwriter of compensation. 42,149 stubholders for a \$72,000 gross in seven performances March 31-April 5. The Gardens' initial show attraction, Shipstad and Johnson's Ice Follies, put 94,022 payers thru the turnstiles in nine performances in seven days, March 16-22, for a walloping \$215,432 gross. Skating Vanities came here from Olympia Stadium, Detroit, where it grossed about \$60,000 in six days, playing to about 40,000 people in seven performances. Prices ranged drive; i.e., persuasion of affiliates to from \$1.20 to \$2.50. Total was not far behind the \$70,000 figure reported for 10 days in Detroit in 1948. whereby tunesmiths would be signed

## **AFM Welfare Fund Hinges On Labor Bill**

### **Govt. Studies T-H Revamp**

WASHINGTON, May 7 .- The future of the welfare fund restrictions of the Taft-Hartley (T-H) Act remains highly uncertain as the House prepares to begin all over again in writing a new labor bill. The Senate, too, appears likely to write its own version of a labor bill, which is likely to include a modification of welfare fund legislation affecting the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) and the music industry.

As the House was tossing the administration's T-H repealer out the a change in the legislation placing

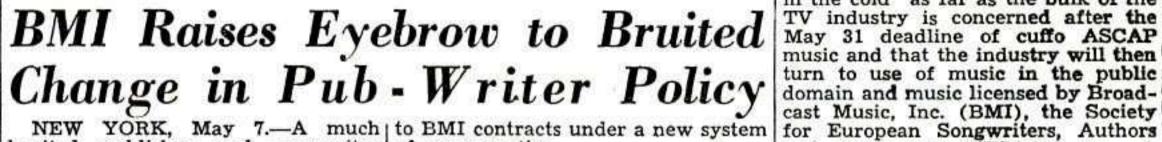
NEW YORK, May 7.-Showbiz enhanced its contribution to the English language last week when the G. and C. Merriam Company added the word disk jockey (Webster's spells it disc, but The Billboard sticks to disk) to its Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary. A jock, according to Webster, is "one who conducts and announces a radio program of musical recordings, often with interspersed nonmusical comments."

**Result Is Official:** 

Jock's in Webster!

Television also made several contributions to the new lexicon. Among them were coaxial cable, electron gun, iconoscope, kinescope, orthican, scan, telegenic, teleview and video (both as an adjective and a noun).

all union welfare funds under the supervision of the Secretary of Labor. Pending on the Senate calendar is window this week, the co-author of the same T-H repealer, which the the T-H act, Sen. Robert Taft (R., House refused to accept. When the O.) announced that he will support measure reaches the Senate floor it (See AFM Welfare on page 18)



## **NAB Rejects Umpire; May** Steal a Base

#### **But Peace Hopes Persist**

#### By Ben Atlas

WASHINGTON, May 7.-Angrily cold-shouldering a new proposal made yesterday (6) by the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) that television music licensing rates be fixed by a three-man arbitration board, the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) let it be known here today that TV members will stop using ASCAP music after May 31 unless ASCAP comes up with a "satisfactory" rates system before then.

It was made clear here that, if the present attitude of NAB members prevails, ASCAP music will be "out in the cold" as far as the bulk of the TV industry is concerned after the May 31 deadline of cuffo ASCAP music and that the industry will then turn to use of music in the public domain and music licensed by Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), the Society and Composers (SESAC), etc. A spokesman for broadcast industry brass declared that only ASCAP's withdrawal of its "arbitration board" proposal and substitution of a "fair system of fees" can change this outlook.

"policy" change at Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), reports of which have been hot along the Lindy's-Brill Building axis for some months, was characterized this week by BMI toppers as nothing at all new and merely the continuation of efforts the org has been following since its inception.

The grapevine had reported the following "changes" in the wind at BMI:

1. An intensified "exclusivity" operate only BMI firms.

2. Adoption of a writers' plan

3. Dropping of the "per plug" (incentive) plan for smaller affiliates.

4. Enlarging the field promotion staff to expand disk jockey exploitation, especially in large urban areas. The first two of these reports were denied, the latter two confirmed.

#### "Exclusivity"

Commenting on the "exclusivity" angle, reports of which were set into circulation by an alleged tightening of recent renewals with pubber affiliates, a top BMI exec stated: "We're Fred E. Ahlert, to Robert P. Myers, not concerned with what our publish-(See BMI Raises Eyebrow, page 17)

TV in Spot at Ohio IER Meet

## Video Medium Snares Major **Time Segment**

Sessions Show Improvement

#### By Jerry Franken

COLUMBUS, O., May 7.-The 19th Institute for Education by Radio, under auspices of Ohio State University, opened here Thursday (5) and almost from the outset it was apparent that this year's session was an improvement over the past three or four. At the same time, the Institute really caught up with current broadcasting events, with television overshadowing both the scheduled and unscheduled palaver, while maintaining its service to the special groups, educational and (See OHIO INSTITUTE on page 6)

## Notice

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## **Roxy's Firings** In Chorus May Provoke Strike

NEW YORK, May 7 .- The Roxy firings, now totaling 21 chorus mem-Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) as represented by Dewey Barto will be forced to sanction thru pressure members.

the purpose of cutting expenses was jeered at the Roxy membership meeting in the New York Wednesday (4). fiddle players at \$130 a week to replace dancers and singers who averreasons were not valid.

(See Roxy's Firings on page 42)

#### **Quick Wrath**

Broadcast bigwigs reacted quickly and indignantly to the ASCAP "arbitration" proposal which came yesterday in the form of a six-page, singlespaced letter from ASCAP prexy, chairman of the television music committee of NAB. On the heels of a critical statement issued by Myers's committee shortly after ASCAP made known its proposal yesterday afternoon, NAB left no doubt of its feeling that ASCAP thus far has failed to offer means for settling the problem.

NAB'ers let it be known, too, that the video industry, if compelled to

(See Video Spurns on page 9) +

## VCA Votes 20G **To AGVA Fund**

HOLLYWOOD, May 7. - Henry bers, may result in a wildcat strike Dunn, American Guild of Variety which the National office of American Artists (AGVA) national treasurer, announced that Variety Clubs of America had voted to donate \$20,000 to AGVA's relief fund in return for brought against it by the New York rights to use AGVA members for prescribed benefit performances. The Roxy explanation that firings Dunn said variety orgs earmarked were not discriminatory and was for the dough to AGVA at the convention held in San Francisco this week.

Money is to be turned over to Discharged Roxy staffers pointed to AGVA August 1 and will be used to the management's move of hiring pay the first premium of union's new insurance plan. VCA will be granted "the privilege of asking" aged \$60 weekly, as proof that Roxy AGVA members to work their benefits without clearance thru local Executive branch members ex- AGVA offices, but the money gift plained that Barto was against a does not commit the union to supply specific entertainment packages.



### **GENERAL NEWS**

The Billboard

Jews Warn FCC on G.A. Richards Long Time No Sea SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.-

## Afraid He'll **Still Be Boss Of His Outlets**

### See Trusteeship a Dodge

WASHINGTON, May 7 .- In ruling on the trustee arrangement proposed by G. A. Richards to govern operations of KMPC, Los Angeles; WJR, Detroit, and WGAR, Cleveland (The Billboard, April 23), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will have under consideration the vigorous opposition to the deal expressed in a petition filed Friday (6) by seven Jewish groups, including the American Jewish Congress (AJC), one of the first to call for a revocation of the licenses of the stations.

#### Four Objections

The organizations filed four main objections to the proposal to transfer operation of the three stations to a group of trustees:

1. "It does not effectively eliminate the possibility that Richards will retain influence over the policies of the three stations."

2. "Assuming that Richards has effectively and completely surrendered control, the proposed delegation of authority is nevertheless improper and should be disapproved."

3. "If the proposed plan is treated not as a delegation but as a transfer of control, it does not meet the Commission's standards for such transfers."

4. "The Commission should, in any

## **Guess Who?**

WASHINGTON, May 7 .--Capitol Hill is chuckling this week over what happened to Col. Freddie Allen. A visiting fireman asked to see some celebrities, so the colonel took him to the Mayflower Lounge and pointed out a trayful of congressmen and judges. When the two had occasion to visit the powder room, Allen pointed at a customer standing up to the wall and whispered: "That, I think, is the man Truman called an s.o.b." The visitor insisted on verification, so Allen tapped the customer on the shoulder and asked: "Pardon me, aren't you the man Truman called an s.o.b.?"

The stranger hiccoughed, kept at his business, and retorted: "No, I'm jush startin'."

can there be that their operation of the stations would be entirely uninfluenced by his policies?"

The brief stated: "There are other aspects of the plan which indicate continued control by Richards. He would have the power to appoint successors to the trustees. He could apply to the Commission for approval of the sale of stock which would oust the trustees entirely. In the case of WJR, the trustees would not have majority control; in fact, they would vote fewer shares than Richards' wife."

In addition to AJC, the petition was filed jointly by the Anti-Defamation League of B'Nai B'Rith, Jewish labor committee, Jewish War Veterans, and the Community Relations Committee of the Los Angeles, Detroit and Cleveland Jewish Community councils. Attorney submitting the brief was Irving Kane, New York.

## **New Attempt To Link Oleo** And Tax Cuts

WASHINGTON, May 7.- A new attempt to hook a general excise tax cut rider onto the oleomargarine bill is to be made, this time on the Senate floor. With the previous attempt to get such a rider onto the bill having failed by a single vote on committee, the floor vote is expected to evoke heated debate and a close tally. Sen. Alexander Wiley (R., Wis.) this week served notice that he will introduce the excise rider when the oleo bill reaches the floor, thus following up a similar declaration made by Chairman Edwin C. Johnson (D., Colo.) of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee.

The probability is that only one of the two contemplated riders will be acted on by the Senate. A defeat for the first one offered would doubtless keep the second from being offered, while passage of the first would eliminate the necessity for the second.

#### Will Be Close

From all indications, the vote on a rider will be close, with the decision hinging on a dozen votes. However, if the rider is adopted, the chances are that the oleo bill will then be defeated.

Wiley's rider would return the excise tax structure to the peacetime levels, reducing some taxes and eliminating others. The excise on radio-phonos and parts would be abolished, while levies on admissions, cabarets, transportation and a host of other commodities and services would be reduced. The disk tax would not be affected.

Local immigration officials are stymied in deportation proceedings against a Negro, long on name but short on memory. Zombia Cobra Soany Powl claims that he entered this country, at the age of six or seven years, in company with a troup of Ubangis, but is unable to recall the name of the ship he came on, the port of arrival or the names of any members of the troupe.

Apparently the mills of the immigration service grind leisurely as the Ubangis (platterlipped fems) came over in 1930 to appear with the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus. The Ubangis being wards of the French government, excessively meticulous re vital statistics, somewhere in the dusty archives of the French Colonial Bureau there should be, all wrapped up in red tape, a neat dossier concerning Zombia Cobra Soany Powl. Try and find it!

## **NBC** Sets Tues. Summer Nights

NEW YORK, May 7.-The Tuesday night summer schedule of the National Broadcasting Company was virtually completed this week with the replacement set for the Alan Young show and People Are Funny. Behind the Eight-Ball, featuring George O'Hanlon, will sub for Young in the 8:30 p.m. slot from July 12 to October 4. Tums is the sponsor. Replacing People at 10:30 for Raleighs will be Life in Your Hands, an Erle Stanley Gardner mystery production. Still to be set is the summer standin for Lever Bros.' Bob Hope at 9 p.m. However, Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis are considered almost a cinch for that job. Previously set was a show featuring the King's Men to replace Fibber McGee for Johnson's Wax at 9:30.

case, decide the important issue raised with respect to the charges against Richards without first passing on the propriety of the proposed transfer."

#### "Basic Ambiguity"

The opposition petition protested against what it called the "plan's basic ambiguity." Richards' proposal, declared the petition, "can serve only to becloud rather than clarify the important issues which the Commission has set for public hearing."

Since Richards selected the trustees, the brief said, "what assurances

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#### **One World Show Lined Up**

NEW YORK, May 7.—Humphrey Bogart, Jimmy Durante, John Garfield, Walter Huston, George Jessel, Katherine Locke, Groucho Marx, Dinah Shore, Frank Sinatra and other stars of stage, screen and radio will join in a "salute to one world"part of the program of the fifth annual One World Award presentation ceremonies and dinner at the Plaza here Wednesday (11). George Jessel will be emsee and Norman Corwin will produce the show.

#### **Visas to France Unneeded**

WASHINGTON, May 7. - Entertainers and others visiting France and necessary. The new ruling applies French possessions for less than 30 to France, Andorra, Algeria, Morocco, days will no longer need visas, the Tunisia, Guadeloupe, Martinique and Comerce Department reported this Guiana.

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Referring to excises, Wiley declared: "Our people are sick and tired of this arbitrary nuisance burden, which we gave our solemn promise to lift."

#### Plenty of Support

He inserted into the Congressional Record a dozen letters he had received on excises. One from the Oshkosh, Wis., Local of the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) read: "We are happy to hear of your efforts to remove wartime excise taxes. They have caused the professional entertainer a great hardship. We will be looking forward to the repeal of these taxes or a substantial reduction."

week. A passport, however, is still



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## 184 Blackouts in FM, 46 AM, In Last Year Put Spotlight **On High Death Rate in Radio**

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### 10 of Withdrawing Stations Already Had Licenses

WASHINGTON, May 7 .- The high | FM turnbacks were at the order of casualty list in radio is sharply pointed up in latest figures, which had not gone ahead with their station disclosed this week that 184 FM construction. and 46 AM authorizations have been turned back to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in the last 12 months. Among those pulling out were 10 FM and nine AM stations which had received licenses. The others giving up the ghost had received construction permits (CP's) or conditional grants (CG's). All 230 had FCC permission to construct stations. Withdrawals of applications were not included in the study.

March, 1949, produced one of the highest station mortality rates in radio history, with 32 FM's and 4 AM's handing back their grants. FM backouts that month included 27 construction permits, three conditional grants and two licensed stations. Expiring AM's comprised two licenses and two cp's.

#### **April a Bit Better**

The pace slackened off somewhat in April, when a total of 23 FM-ers and 3 AM-ers dropped out. Six of the



FCC, which ruled that the grantees

Despite the backout rate for the year ending today (30), the number of radio stations continued to expand. On April 30, 1948, there were 1,658 AM stations and 123 FM's licensed to operate. One year later the number had swollen to 1,930 licensed AM stations and 295 licensed FM's. An additional 240 AM's and 650 FM's have FCC authorizations.

The rate of turn-backs during the 12-month period was fairly steady for AM, running from a high of seven in both November and December of last year to a low of one in February. 1949. FM-ers relinquished a high of 32 FCC authorizations last month and a low of six during May, 1948.

In no single month during the last 12 did AM backouts exceed the number of new grants. The closest ratio was in February, 1949, when five new stations were granted and three gave up. On the other hand, FM backouts exceeded new grants in seven months of the past year.

The majority of those giving rea-

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## Joan Davis To Cut Disk for Show on CBS

HOLLYWOOD, May 7 .- Joan Davis this week settled her differences with the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) and started work on the show she will do for the web this summer. The chief difficulty was that CBS felt it had the right to an audition record of the contemplated program, while Miss Davis believed her years on radio were sufficient guarantee of a competent performance.

## **Marks** Drive **To Streamline Present Staff**

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#### **Miller Gets Committee**

NEW YORK, May 7.-A. D. (Jess) Willard, now executive vice-president of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB), is slated to become the head of the NAB's soon-tobe-formed television department, at the same time yielding his present duties, authoritative reports stated this week. At the same time, the NAB, in line with its move to streamline, and in line with its enforced economy and realignment drive, will begin operating under a new set-up. Essentially, this set-up will find NAB President Judge Justin Miller being advised by an executive committee, rather than by the exec veepee, as now.

The proposal to shift Willard, according to reports, was made within the past 10 days in the form of a letter from Judge Miller to the board members. In it, Miller proposed the change and then asked the directors for their reactions. Insiders declared that by midweek, the directors' replies indicated a majority was assured to approve the change should it come to a vote.

#### **Committee Execs**

## "Family Hour" Back to B&B

HOLLYWOOD, May 7.-Benton & Bowles (B&B) will recapture production control of Prudential's Family Hour of Stars from Music Corporation of America (MCA), beginning June 5 when the stanza launches its summer series.

Ken Burton will handle production reins for the agency, taking over from Jack Johnstone who has their stations. In a handful of cases megged the show for MCA since last grantees said they were turning back October.

Agency said the control switch was result of B&B's ability to handle the show with agency' Coast personnel. When the show was launched last season, percentagery staff was too limited to take on added chores, hence production was farmed out to MCA.

With switch to summer format, powerhouse of stars will be dropped. Line-up of regulars includes Bette Davis, Gregory Peck, Ray Milland, Barbara Stanwyck, Ginger Rogers and Robert Taylor. Show will use free-lance "less expensive" talent during summer, and possibly in the fall. Decision on next season's plans will be withheld for several weeks it was indicated.



NEW YORK, May 7 .- The Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) deal with Rudy Vallee is dead. The ing System, American Broadcastweb had expected to star him in a situation comedy this summer but had a great many differences with the comic-crooner, one of which was his desire to exercise his singing talents. This led to the opinion at CBS that future harmony might be difficult and negotiations were ended.

However, the web does own the property and is shopping around for a replacement. It is in the market for a comic whose forte is portraying stuffed shirts.

sons for backouts in both AM and FM cited the economic situation. For licensed stations this was invariably the case. The stations found that they could not continue to operate at a loss. Many of those who turned back permits to build said they were afraid there were already too many stations in their localities.

Some of the authorizations deleted over the past 12 months were at the instigation of the FCC, which found that the grantees were not proceeding "diligently" with the construction of grantees said they were turning back their authorizations because of inability to find suitable transmitter sites in conformance with local zoning laws.



WASHINGTON, May 7.-The proposal of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to wipe out the Avco ruling requiring the advertising of station sales has the backing of the broadcasting industry, but the preponderance of broadcast opinion is against its proposal to call for the advertising of intentions to file for renewal or station changes.

About a score of briefs have been submitted to the Commission on the proposed rule, and all hail FCC's tentative decision to abolish the Avco rule. On the other hand, such organizations as National Association of Broadcasters, Columbia Broadcasting Company and the Federal Communications Bar 'Association (FCBA) claimed that the proposal to require advertising of contemplated actions is needless and cumbersome. It was generally mentioned that

adequate information regarding proposed actions of a broadcaster is available in local papers and in the trade press and that requiring advertising would not only be costly but would also be a nuisance to the broadcaster.

Miss Davis is now to cut the record of the show, a situation comedy about the troubles of a salesgirl in a department store. Her contract guarantees her 21 weeks' work. A click on her new radio show would put her on her feet in the TV picture.



NEW YORK, May 7 .- The Goldbergs will return to radio on the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) next fall in the Friday 8-to-8:30 p.m. spot for Sanka Coffee, its TV sponsor. The situation comedy will fill the time now being occupied by Jack Carson, who is being canceled after his July 1 broadcast.

radio property thru TV, where it has the NAB's present budget problem, been a big success. On the other stemming from its \$75,000 advance to hand, Carson didn't produce the AM the Broadcast Measurement Bureau rating desired by the sponsor. Insiders believe that if he had been available for TV his radio show might have been saved.

**News Directors Sked** Miller Confab Speech

NEW YORK, May 7.-National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) Prexy Justin Miller will be the principal speaker on the opening day of the National Association of Radio News Directors' (NARND) 1949 convention set for November 11, 12 and 13 here.

A group of nationally known speakers are being lined up to participate in the convention. The NARND is also planning the most elaborate TV demonstrations in its history.

By replacing Willard with the reported executive committee, it is pointed out, Miller will be able to get the trade-hep counsel he feels necessary. Originally, when Miller assumed the NAB presidency, it was arranged, because of his unfamiliarity with radio, to give him an assistant experienced in radio matters. Willard came from the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS). The new exec committee, it is said, will be comprised of the various NAB departmental heads, including Don Petty, legal; Ken Baker, research; Dick Doherty, labor: Bob Richards, public relations, and Maurice Mitchell, sales. Willard, presumably will also be on this committee.

It is also understood C. E. (Bee) Arney, NAB secretary, will assume some of the functions and duties which Willard now handles. Willard's job, it is said, will be, for at least a year, largely administrative and organizational in nature.

There is some question, it is reported, as to whether the NAB will continue its program department, now administered by Harold Fair. There are several reasons for this, it The Goldbergs was revived as a is declared, a principal element being (BMB) and its financing of the new Broadcast Advertising Bureau (BAB).

> Shifting Willard to TV solves two problems for the NAB. One is a (See Willard To Top on page 13)

## **Chick Per Watt**

WASHINGTON, May 7 .- If WTOP, Washington, a 50.000watter, had the 750,000 watts clear channel stations want. Mark Evans would have new horizons for his chicken peddling. On his early-morning WTOP show Evans sold 50.000 baby chicks in a four-week period, or. as the station proudly points cut, "a chick for every watt of WTOP's power."



## **OHIO STATE INSTITUTE** The Billboard May 14, 1949 **OHIO INSTITUTE GETS HYPO**

## Video Given **Big Hunk of Time in Meet**

### **Other Facets Treated**

(Continued from page 3) public service, one of its basic intents.

Where video got only two sessions last year, this year's Institute dewoted two of its three principal evening general sessions to that field, plus a minimum of eight special interest sessions devoting all or part of their time to tele. The scope of video-based subjects was broad, but the most fruitful meeting was an afternoon session yesterday (Friday) devoted to analyzing the problems of the educator in relation to the new medium.

The improvement in this year's Institute, of which Dr. I. Keith Tyler is director, stemmed from several developments. One was a considerable reduction in conflicts in meetings. Another was the planning of the agenda by a national advisory committee, which used the results of last year's Ohio State survey, conducted by The Billboard, as one of its guide-posts. Still another was the presence of Kenneth G. Bartlett, Syracuse University, as discussion leader at the general sessions. Bartlett's contribution was to point up and speed up general floor discussions after panel talks. He aided considerably in preventing the talk from wandering afield and in turn was aided, albeit slightly, by another 1949 innovation, the use of a red light to warn speakers they were over time. Unhappily, too few observed the new traffic regulation. The tendency of commercial broadcasters to give Columbus the avoid is still very much in evidence. Out of an attendance expected to run between 1,100 and 1,200, virtually the same as last year's, there was barely more than a handful of commercial broadcasters. This has been a sore point for some years and the cause of bitter debate. Nevertheless, the Institute, following its showing this year, and with the certainty that video will be of much greater importance next year, has the best chance it's had in a long time to regain the interest and attendance of commercial operators, especially at the top level. It will require careful planning and a more concise and incisive agenda. While, as always, the Institute again focussed attention on the clash between educators and broadcasters, it also dramatized with glaring detail, the terrific problems confronting educators in getting either TV stations of their own or adequate representation on existing and upcoming stations. Some encouragement was accorded by two developments, black as this picture is. One was a new plan, advanced by Bart-(See Ohio Gets Hypo on page 8)



## **KLZ** Newscaster CARL AKERS

Writing and airing KLZ news broadcasts is the forte of Carl Akers-a member of KLZ's highly recognized news department.

KLZ, DENVER

## FCC Probes TV's Attitude **Toward Education During Ohio's Institute Meeting**

**Communications Commissioner Frieda** Hennock last night (Friday) challenged commercial broadcasters on their plans to provide adequate airtime for educational television and, at the same time, implied that where commercial TV stations fail to cooperate with educational, pubserv interests, they might be considered derelict in their duties. Miss Hennock directed her fire toward the networks and most of her remarks toward Oscar Katz, director of research for Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), in the general discussion period following a panel at the Ohio State U. Radio Institute here on "The effects of TV on American life."

Previously, Katz had warned edu-

## **Ohio State Program Awards Give Tele First Recognition**

COLUMBUS, O., May 7 .- For the first time in the 13 years the Institute for Education by Radio has been making program awards, television programing has come in for recognition. In all, five video citations were made, covering that many types of program categories. In addition, the Institute this year made its first foreign language program award.

The full list of laurel-copping shows follows:

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COLUMBUS, May 7 .- Federal cators that if, in video, they failed to heed the requirements of a mass medium by offering programs without broad appeal, they would be bypassed as they had in sound broadcasting. TV could not be regarded as merely a classroom extension, he said; it required showmanship, so that listeners or viewers would not abandon the educational offering. Students cannot leave classrooms, he pointed out, but there is no similar requirement in the selection of a radio or TV program. Consequently, he argued, majority tastes will predominate in the future as in the past. Katz was supported in his stand by Martin Gosch, president of the Independent Television Products Association (ITPA), which also warned that censorship was becoming an increasing video threat and that educators should join commercial operators in preparing a workable TV code.

Edgar Dale, Ohio State University professor, commented during the panel that television presented unprecedented opportunities for broad educational endeavors, in changing attitudes, in modernizing educational procedures, in improving parent and child relationships and in raising educational standards. He saw it as possessing enormous potential in broadening the interests of the public in matters in which their interests flagged but which concern them deeply-the united nationals, international relations and other major social items. Dale warned that TV could not be regarded only as an entertainment medium, a position taken the night before by Mortimer Loewi, of DuMont Television, at the Institute's opening session. "Too exclusive an interest in producing entertainment for the masses," said Dale, "sometimes means thinking of the masses as them asses." Loewi, too, had counselled the Institute not to permit TV concentration on entertainment, lest the U.S. become a nation of morons. He was one of the speakers on a panel devoted to AM, TV and FM, with Wayne Coy, chairman of the FCC, who declared that the immediate outlook for AM was risky; that FM licensees should be required to operate full time, rather than on a mimimum basis, as a license-protection device; that they duplicate AM schedules completely, and that FM still was the only means of providing large groups of potential listeners with radio service. Coy also repeated his previously recorded optimism on TV, but said progress was retarded by three bottlenecks, the lack of engineering standards, the ultra high frequency problem and network facilities. John Patt, general manager of WGAR, Cleveland, told the Thursday night audience that predictions as to the demise of AM were unfounded, pointing to the industry's record gross for 1948 and the wide circulation the medium had and would continue to have. He was supported in this view by James Lawrence Fly, former FCC chairman and ITPA counsel, who presided at Friday's session and claimed that radio was far from dead. A challenge to the FCC to act on a year-old petition for a hearing on AM-FM duplication was issued Thursday night by Leonard Marks, counsel to the Frequency Modulation Association (FMA). It was the duty of the FCC, he said, to aid, not hinder FM, but by refusing to act on the FMA petition, the Commission was restraining (See TV's Attitude on page 8)

## **WOV** To Repeat **Prize Winning Seg**

COLUMBUS, O., May 7 .- WOV, New York, recipient with the Institute for Democratic Education (IDE) of the first foreign language program award made at Ohio State University, will repeat the prize-winning series, 11 Prossimo Tuo, starting July 4.

The series deals with inter-group relationships from the Italo-American viewpoint. The IDE has plattered the show and is offering it cuffo to foreign language outlets.

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### **OHIO STATE INSTITUTE**

## NAEB To Reject **Baptist Bid for 5 FM Channels**

COLUMBUS, O., May 7 .- The National Association of Educational Broadcasters (NAEB) is expected to reject a plan proposed by the Southern Baptists whereby the latter would have NAEB approval in asking for five of the 20 FM channels now set aside for educational stations. The NAEB, which held three meetings here during the annual Institute for Education by Radio, is taking the stand, basically, that colleges have not yet had time to apply for their own FM stations and that the educational FM structure would be imperilled by yielding frequencies now.

The Baptists propose to build 170 FM stations, all of them to be the new 10-watt type recently approved by the FCC and which cost around \$3,500 to put up. They have a highly limited service area. The Baptists propose to build these stations thruout the South, 75 of them in Texas, and operate as non-commercial, community service stations, with full program service.

The NAEB is understood to believe, since many colleges have expressed great interest in the new 10-watters but have not had time to get necessary appropriations, that it is improper to ask for these frequencies when others are available. They also feel that since they are now shut out of AM and TV, they should not be asked to decimate themselves in the only remaining spectrum.

The NAEB also approved its next annual convention dates, October 15 thru 17 at the University of Michigan. NAEB attendance here totaled 38, with an extra dozen attending luncheon yesterday (Friday). Guests included Frieda Hennock, of were graded on the basis of written the FCC, and James Lawrence Fly, reports, after listening to the dramaformer FCC chairman. Miss Hen- tizations and doing certain required nock told the educators she felt that reading. Participants who met unigovernment agencies should be more sympathetic to educators' problems in radio, and that "educational programs without educators are like medicine without doctors." Fly commended the NAEB on its recent growth.

## TV on Avon

COLUMBUS, O., May 7 .--Edgar Dale, of Ohio State University, told the Institute for Education by Radio that Shakespeare long ago anticipated television. As proof, he offered a quote from Troilus and Crassida: The present eye praises the present object;

Then marvel not, thou great and complete man,

That all the Greeks begin to worship Ajax;

Since things in motion sooner catch the eye Than what not stirs.

## **NBC's AM Home** Study Attracts 5,000 Students

COLUMBUS, O., May 8.—NBC's first experiment in radio-assisted study at home resulted in the enrollment of more than 5,000 listeners from every State at the University of Louisville, Sterling W. Fisher, manager of NBC's Public Affairs and Education Department, said here today at the Institute for Education by Radio. Seven universities are cooperating with the network in its University of the Air project.

The initial effort last year in a network home-study course was built around the NBC University Theater broadcast series. Working with WAVE in Louisville and the University of Louisville, the network tried a number of teaching techniques during the nine-week summer session, then entered upon a full-scale experiment last fall, Fisher related.

Students who registered by mail versity requirements received college credits for work done, at radio's first commencement exercises, April 10. Three other universities now offer home-study courses in Anglo-American literature. They are the Uni-

## **Tells How Colleges Can Get** In Tele Sans 250G Bankroll

operative plan, whereby colleges can by the State University of Iowa. get into television without minimum | Menzer declared that WSUI had filed expenditures of \$250,000 and whereby commercial video stations can the application is still pending besave the costs of extensive and expensive studio installations, was outlined yesterday to the 19th annual with the application showed mini-Institute for Education by Radio by Kenneth G. Bartlett, director of the which, with increased costs effective Syracuse University Radio Center. Insofar as the college was concerned, Bartlett declared, it meant the school would have all the advantages of a TV station, at a cost slightly under \$100,000 and with greatly reduced operating costs as well.

Bartlett's plan calls for the construction by a school, or the conversion of existing sound broadcaststudio layout, including a threecamera chain (three cameras and all necessary additional equipment). It further calls for an agreement with a local commercial TV station whereby the latter will air the school's struction costs would be even higher. productions and use its facilities, thereby reducing its own construction costs to those involved only in transmitter, antenna, film studio remote and relay equipment. Such a plan, he says, is mutually advantageous to a considerable extent, reducing operating costs for the station in several ways. One is in construction, another is in personnel drain, another in maintenance costs. On the college side, he said, it can save at least \$150,000 construction costs and enormous operating costs.

In addition, Bartlett declared, the schools would be able to function as tho they had a facility on the air, enabling a complete curriculum in television and full use of all program sources available at colleges.

Bartlett's proposal followed that of a detailed, and to the school officials attending, a somewhat alarming re-

COLUMBUS, O., May 7 .- A co- port by Carl Menzer, WSUI, operated for a TV station over a year agocause of the FCC freeze on TV allocations-and that figures submitted mum construction costs of \$228,000, since then, would add \$150,000 to the original figure. This did not include operating expenses.

Among the items cited by Menzer were \$96,000 for a 5-kw. transmitter, \$18,250 for the antenna, \$73,000 for studio equisment, \$10,000 for a relay to transmitter, \$5,000 for spare parts and \$25,000 installation costs. Should an attempt be made to cover the ening facilities of a complete video tire State, booster stations would run to millions, he declared. He estimated operation costs at \$50,000 for the first year. Should the FCC approve ultra-high-frequency transmission for television, he said, the con-

Menzer declared that the early results of a survey he had under way showed considerable college interest in TV, but as far as is known, only Syracuse and Iowa are actually planning active TV participation. It is understood that Syracuse is on the verge of announcing an agreement with a commercial station in that area.

I. Keith Tyler, director of the Institute, who proceeded Bartlett and Menzer, outlined some of the potentialities of TV as an educational medium. It was particularly well adapted, he said, for demonstration teaching, involving skills and handicrafts, for scientific instruction, for promoting inter-regional understanding, for the presentation of historic events as they transpired, for school rooms and for home viewers. He took a dim view, however, of in-school TV, pointing out that even today only 20 per cent of U.S. school rooms have radio speakers. Tyler also declared that some fields offered no advantage for video, these include music, news and discussion programs, noting that visual interest is mondatory. Sight alone does not add educational value since it may not mean greater penetration even tho it does enlarge the possibilities of learning.

## **Outlines 4 Low-Cost Ways Pubserv Groups Can Use TV**

COLUMBUS, O., May 7.-Despite quieting comments from several the terrific costs of video programing, public service, health and welfare agencies can take advantage of the new medium at very low costs, Ed Stasheff, of WPIX, New York, declared yesterday at the 19th annual Institute for Education by Radio here. Stasheff outlined four means by which such groups can avail themselves of TV.

The most economical method, he declared, was to use strip film, six or seven frames each, with either recorded dialog or a script for a staff announcer. Stations should be given two prints on the strips, he explained, so that they may be projected on two channels, thus facilitating dissolves. These cost only \$1 a frame in New York, Stasheff noted, meaning a \$14 per station cost, in addition to the substantiated by Elsie Dick, of the original art work.

Film spots are likewise relatively low in cost, and frequently help station production problems by providing filler when there are difficult tional time meant that the organizastudio switching problems. They can run from a half to five minutes, he said. In addition, Stasheff noted that most stations have some sort of feature program using interviews and pubserv groups can avail themselves had had considerable success with of these at no cost. He also commented that despite the disfavor in which contests are held, they nevertheless provided a good avenue for pubserv groups willing to undertake the handling of contestant mail.

Earlier, the panel had heard dis-

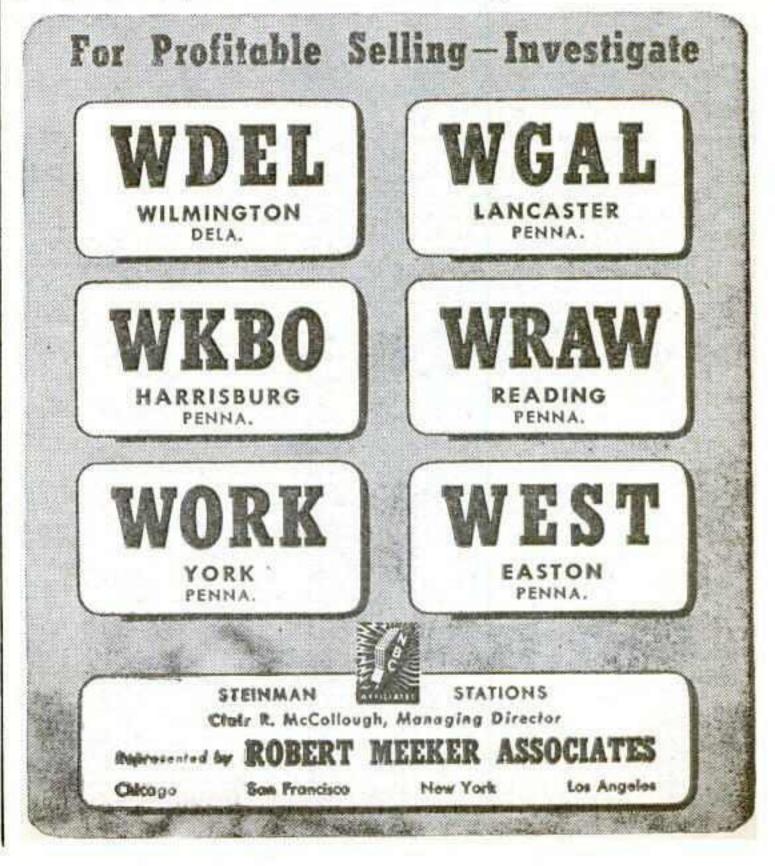
speakers. One, Bruce Wallace, of WTMJ, Milwaukee, lamented the over-supply and poor quality of pubserv material submitted to stations, charging that it showed scant awareness of broadcasters' problems. He urged the groups to develop local angles, citing a WTMJ version of Lest We Forget, an Institute for Democratic Education series. By setting up a local committee to select speakers and spark discussions, the presentation was given a much greater interest for WTMJ listeners.

Wallace also declared that pubservers are following a like pattern in video. He declared that they often lacked awareness of their own resources, such as films available from their own files. His arguments were Mutual Broadcasting System (MBS).

Walter King, of the American Cancer Society, declared that the increased demand for pubserv-educations will have to develop better programs and better program techniques, and that the test of radio directors will be that much more severe. He also said that the society TV film at an outlay of \$5,600.

A reported move to set up a federation plan, whereby radio time for all such groups would be cleared by one organization, akin to the advertising council procedure, did not ma-(See Pubserv TV on page 8)

versity of Tulsa, Washington State College and Kansas State Teachers College at Pittsburg, Kan. The University of Chicago has built two courses-economics and world politics-around the University of Chicago Roundtable broadcasts, and the University of Southern California has a music course based on the network's Pioneers of Music series.



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## FCC-er Learns Via "Court" **Quiz at Institute Meeting**

COLUMBUS, O., May 7 .- Frieda would be to give one group of po-Hennock, of the Federal Communica- tential broadcasters special privilege, tions Commission (FCC), contributed a new wrinkle at the Ohio State Institute when, via a courtroom type retically, at least, commercial operof quizzing, she set about filling up the chinks in her knowledge concerning radio, TV and educator problems. She also made it clear that while her basic intent was to develop greater understanding of communications problems, she was gravely concerned over the plight of educators as it exists now in radio and as it seems likely to exist in television.

Miss Hennock's first session was an unscheduled get-together Thursday night (5) and didn't get under way until after midnight and kept going until 4 a.m. with a group representing various phases of radio at hand. The principal items discussed concerned the diposition of TV channels as far as educators were concerned and the raison d'etre of the Institute for Education by Radio itself. Other participants in the talks included Kenneth G. Bartlett, Syracuse University; Al Zink, WRGB, Schenectady, N. Y.; Henrietta Harrison, YMCA; Ted Lamb, WICU, Erie, and WTOD, Toledo; Ted Heffernan, National Conference of Christians and Jews; Natalie Flatow, Girl Scouts; Dick Hull, WOI, Ames, Ia., and Morris Novik, consultant.

The problem insofar as video was concerned was essentially how to preserve some guarantee that educational programs would be adequately provided and how colleges KSD, St. Louis, at this week's Instiand universities could get a proper | tute for Education by Radio. share of TV frequencies. It was argued that without some assurance the traditional radio newscast. It inthat the FCC would provide room for non-commercial, public service operation, the accepted balance under the American radio system would be gravely endangered. It was also declared that the history of relations between educators and sound broadcasters showed every evidence of repeating itself in video, with indications that educators and pubserv organizations might be getting the short end of the stick in the future. The other side of the argument raised the claim that educators had loused themselves up in radio, both AM and FM, that in AM many had voluntarily deleted themselves years ago, and that in FM they had not taken advantage of the frequencies set aside for them by the FCC. It also was argued that to set aside TV channels for non-commercial educational stations, which cost so much more than AM or FM installations,

and that it reflected skepticism on the entire licensing system. Since theoators are required to provide pubserv time the implication was that in TV they wouldn't.

Miss Hennock raised the question whether organizations attending the Institute-schools, welfare, social and health agencies-did so as pressure groups in an attempt to get more time on the air. She was told that instead, these organizations came for an exchange of ideas and procedures, designed to improve their programs and their radio relationships and for the betterment of all pubserv, educational radio. Miss Hennock also lamented the absence of top-level radio and educational brass, but was told that since the concern was programing, rather than policy, the Institute's present attendance served much of its purpose.



COLUMBUS, O., May 7. - Four primary methods of television newscasting were described this morning by James Lawrence, news editor of

The first, he said, approximates volves a news reporter who points to still photographs, charts, graphs, newspaper headlines and other props. It is the simplest to stage.

Spot news, or location, telecasting, is the second technique, he said. This

## **Ohio State Program Awards** Give Tele First Recognition

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First	"Reporter at Large"	WMAG	WMAQ. Chicago
	ention: "This Week in History,"	CJOR, Vancouver.	
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First	International Un "WOW Farmers' Trip"	wow	WOW. Omaha
First	"Destination, Palestine"	CJOR	CJOR, Vancouver
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First	"Malice Toward None"	WMAO	WMAQ, Chicago
First	"24 Hours Under Communis	sm" Detroit News	WWJ, WWJ-FM. Detroit
First	"And Sudden Death"	Don Lee	Don Lee
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First	"Behind Scenes in Music"		WNYC, N. Y.
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#### requires mobile equipment, Lawrence said, but it is the second easiest to produce. Lawrence told the audience how his station was once able to televise a police raid on a bookie joint by bounding the transmitting beam off the side of a building to the pick-up point atop a downtown skyscraper.

The third method involves the use of 16mm, motion picture film, either local or national in origin. He said that the great difficulty in using this medium is the time element. Many so-called "news" telecasts, he said, are actually feature programs.

The fourth method is a combination of the first three.

#### PUBSERV TV

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COLUMBUS, O., May 7 .--Most interesting registration at the Ohio State University Institute this week was that of a Mrs. Florence Zuber, Columbus, who signed in with the comment, "One of the millions being made frantic by intolerable, idiotic commercials." And Dick Hull, head of the Educational Broadcasters' Association, was listed in the registration roster as president, "National Association of Education Products."

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(Continued from page 7) terialize. However, Eloise Walton, of Community Chests, warned that the plethora of time demands might lead to a move to co-ordinate such requests, and Nate Rudick, of the Independent Television Producers' Association (ITPA) declared that clearance thru a foundation set-up had been offered as the solution to the problem. However, many top organizations have refused to participate in any plan, declaring it would be contrary to autonomous operation and would give participants inadequate representation.

A report on the effectiveness of various types of programs used in the venereal disease campaign was made by Erik Barnouw, Columbia University. Most effective, he said, was song narrative production employing folk music, while dramatic programs did poorly and documentaries even more so.

### **OHIO GETS HYPO**

(Continued from page 6) lett, for co-operation between TV stations and institutions of learning. The other was the interest shown in educator problems by Frieda Hennock, of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). These aspects are covered elsewhere in the Radio Department of this issue.

#### No First Award Honorable Mention: "City Rent Laws," WNYC, New York.

#### Forums

"American Crisis" Syracuse Univ. First WFBL, Syracuse Honorable Mention: "Crossroads of the Future," WEEI, Boston.

#### **News Interpretation**

No First Award Honorable Mention: "Views on the News," KCVN, Stockton, Calif.

International Understanding "U. N. Proceedings" First WNYC WNYC, N. Y. Honorable Mention: "Your United Nations," WAER, Syracuse.

**One-Time Programs** "Estrallita" Syracuse Univ. WAER, Syracuse First "Election Day, 1948" WBZ. Boston First WBZ

Honorable Mention: "Snatch-Cat and Tourneaupaul," KUSD, Vermillion, S. D. Children's Programs (Out of School) "Cuddles and Tuckie" WDAF, Kansas First Junior League,

Kansas City City Honorable Mentions: "Story Fair," WNYC, New York; "Junior Journey," WEAW and WEAW-FM, Evanston, III.

Teen-Agers (Out of School)

No First Award Honorable Mention: "Junior Achievement Radio Workshop," WICC, Bridgepori, Conn.

#### In School, Primary Grades

No First Award Honorable Mention: "Lady Make Believe," WBZ, Boston.

In School, High School

First "Grand Jury' N. Y. C. Bd. of WNYE-FM, Brooklyn, Educ.

WNYC, N. Y. Honorable Mention: "America in Song and Story," WNYE-FM, Brooklyn; WNYC and WNYC-FM, New York.

#### TRANSCRIBED PROGRAM AWARDS

Religious Programs First "All Aboard for Adventure" Joint Religious Radio Committee Honorable Mentions: "Ave Maria Hour," Franciscan Friars; "Families Need Parente," Upper Room Radio Parish.

#### Cultural

"University Hour" University of North Carolina First Honorable Mention: "Favorite Story," Fred Ziv Co.; "Songs of the People, University of Tennessee.

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"Pride of Service" Army Air Force Army Air Force "Fellowship"

First Honorable Mentions: "Stories to Remember," Institute for Democratic Action; "Marriage for Millions," Family Service Assn.; "The Inquiring Parent," National Committee for Mental Hygiene.

Columbia University "VD Radio Project" Special

Forums

Citizens Committee on Displaced **Displaced Persons** Series Persons

International Understanding

American Friends Service Committee "Quaker World Service" First Honorable Mentions: "Operation U. N.," United Nations; "Stories of Today and Yesterday," CBC. **One-Time Programs** 

First "Christmas in New York"

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FM progress. Marks's stand on the value of duplication was termed in**valid** by Edward Lamb, owner of erating nut of \$1,500 or so.

WTOD, WTOD-FM, Toledo, and WICU-TV, Erie, Pa. WTOD-FM did not make any money until he programed the station independently, Lamb said, and consequently it was now in the black with a monthly op-



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## NBC DE-EMPHASIZES CHICAGO Western Div. Secure; May **Prune Costs**

### **Stress Job Realignment**

HOLLYWOOD, May 7 .- National Broadcasting Company's (NBC) retrenchment drive will not affect job holders in the net's Western division, a web spokesman here said this week. Altho the web expects to do considerable streamlining of local operations, belt-tightening moves will stress job realignment rather than axing of personnel.

division is already tightly organized and that further job slashes would cripple the operation. With a hypoed programing drive to begin this summer, the skein will need all key personnel now employed plus additional help in certain undermanned departments.

Principal savings will come from pruned departmental budgets, including curtailed travel allowances and similar costs. Both AM and tele operations will be re-examined, however, to cut more corners where possible, the spokesman said.

## **NBC Cuts Audition Of Giveaway Show**

**FCC To Go to Supreme Court Over Non-Newspaper Policy** 

The Billboard

eral Communications Commission (FCC) is ready to appeal to the Supreme Court for support of its policy of preferring non-newspaper bidders stations as well as in newspapersafter a successful lower-court challenge of the policy by Plains Radio munity. Broadcasting Company in a decision The FCC decision granting a sta-by the U. S. Court of Appeals this tion in Lubbock, Tex., to the Lubbock week.

The court did not question the FCC's right to make a choice based



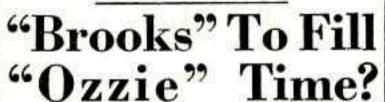
HOLLYWOOD, May 7.-Ed (Archie) Gardner (Duffy's Tavern) asked for and was granted his release by Bristol-Myers Friday (6), effective with June 29 broadcast over National Broadcasting Company (NBC). Altho the pact had another year to run, Gardner, thru attorney Martin Gang, began negotiations for release several weeks ago in order to become a free agent. Release was understood to have been worked out "Ozzie" Time? HOLLYWOOD, May 7.-First audi- personally by Gardner, with no aid centered on his demand for a longterm deal. Gardner wanted a minimum three-year pact and more dough, with the bankroller reluctant on both counts. Spokesman for Gardner said the comic was mulling offers from several networks and bankrollers and would accept the best deal. Several possibilities rumored included a new pact with (NBC) which would contain capital gains benefits. It was also reported that Pabst Beer was interested in Duffy's Tavern as a radio show only, with Eddie Cantor, currently bankrolled by Pabst, switching exclusively to video.

WASHINGTON, May 7.- The Fed- on greater diversification of news media control but ruled that the commission must also consider an applicant's interest in other radio outside as well as within a com-

The FCC decision granting a sta-County Broadcasting Company was appealed by Plains Radio on the grounds that while Plains controlled a Lubbock newspaper, the favored bidder had interest in radio stations and papers outside of Lubbock.

In sending the dispute back to the commission for another decision, the court declared: "It seems to us that in considering the public interest in the maintenance of competition in the dissemination of news, the commission cannot select the one fact that one applicant is the owner of the town's only newspaper and ignore the fact that the other applicant is directly related to several newspapers and radio stations in the same general section of the country (altho not in this immediate community).'

The court added: "A concentration of news dissemination by a chain of stations over an area would seem to us to be a factor in a comparative valuation from the standpoint of competition in news dissemination."



## Unimportance As AM and TV **Center Cause**

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### To Be O.-and-O. Operation

NEW YORK, May 7.-Eventual elimination of Chicago as a divisional headquarters of the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) was augured this week when over 30 employees of the division were given dismissal notices. Altho Chicago executives of the network said the firing was done only to eliminate unnecessary minor personnel, it was said here by an authoritative source that Chi is slated to be a typical o.-and-o. operation, similar to the net's branches in Cleveland and San Francisco. The Chi layoffs eliminated about 10 per cent of the employees.

Eventually, it was stated, the Chicago AM program and sales staff will be cut to an absolute minimum. The television operation will be maintained by a skeleton staff. Reasons behind the move, it was said, is the growing unimportance of Chicago as an AM and TV sales and programing center.

#### **Minimize Cuts**

Chicago NBC execs expressed opinions that the move was for greater efficiency only, pointing out that most of those let go were minor employees. But it was stated here that more dismissals would follow.

Principal cut in Chi was in the press department. In this former nine-man department, six were dismissed. Some of those formerly in the press department were moved to minor jobs in the program department and elsewhere. Of real significance and considered a tip-off that Chicago will lose its divisional standing, is the fact that from now on network AM and TV press relations for the Midwest will be handled here, and Chicago will take care of only WMAQ and WNBQ. In Chicago, Art Jacobson, program director, said no producers or directors were dismissed.

tion platter of the National Broad- from the William Morris Agency, casting Company's (NBC) giant give- comic's radio rep. Gardner's insisaway, Hollywood Calling, will be cut tence on breaking with Bristol-Myers here Sunday (8). Web is rushing production plans on the show to meet tentative starting deadline of mid-June.

Audition platter will feature film actor George Murphy as emsee, with a cast of AFRA supporting players. Al Hollander, veepee of Louis Cowan Productions, package owners, will arrive in Hollywood today to represent the package. Max Hutto will produce for NBC, with Coast program director Homer Candfield supervising.

Stanza, slated for the 6:30-7:30 p.m. time slot Sunday evenings, will use film stars as question-askers. working on tie-ups with major pic studios. Loot limit will be flexible but jackpot will average \$35,000 weekly. Questioning gimmicks will stress film music as well as spoken lines, with the pic stars recreating scenes from famous flickers.

Audition disk is one of several to be cut before the show is finally airborne. Another test run, with Walter O'Keefe as emsee, is in the planning stage. Ork conductor and vocalists are still to be named.

## Aw, Thwo Up!

NEW YORK, May 7. - Ad execs who live in the suburbs and have outdoor barbecue grills are likely to be wearing aprons with the call letters of WOR, New York, this summer as they sizzle their weiners. The station's advertising and promotion manager, Joe Creamer, this week sent 1,500 aprons to leading time buyers and advertisers as a promotion stunt. The aprons bear the names of 199 WOR advertisers stamped on them, along with a reminder that "They're cooking on WOR."

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Gardner is vacationing in Honolulu and is due in Hollywood May 15.

Altho trade reports said Gardner was anxious to break the Bristol-Myers pact, release was unexpected inasmuch as the sponsor had already indicated Gardner's option would be lifted for next season. Root of trouble was said to be the bankroller's insistence that Gardner make a definite commitment for television in 1950, which the comic refused to do. In view of the uncertainty of his tele plans, the sponsor chose to give Gardner his requested release rather than continue with no video guarantee.

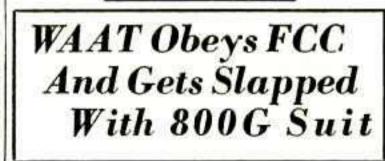
## **ABC Plans Crosby**, **Marx Replacements**

HOLLYWOOD, May 7.-American Broadcasting Company (ABC) will build its own packages to replace the Bing Crosby and Groucho Marx shows, snared for next season by (CBS) Bill Paley.

This was disclosed here by ABC Exec Veepee Robert Kintner who said his net will spend as much as \$7,000 per package to create a number of good salable programs from which will come replacements for the the shows lost to CBS.

NEW YORK, May 7.-Colgate-Palmolive-Peet is considering buying the Sunday evening 6:30 to 7 p.m. slot made vacant by the departure of Ozzie and Harriet from the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) and shifting Our Miss Brooks into the spot next fall. International Silver theoretically owns this time as it is the sponsor of Ozzie and Harriet, but it is certain to drop it, since it is in the market for a TV show.

If Our Miss Brooks were to precede Jack Benny, it would leave the 9:30 to 10 p.m. slot open. The conjecture at CBS is that Colgate might see fit to install Dennis Day into that time. Day, injected into the strong CBS Sunday evening line-up next fall, would really pull a rating, insiders claim.



NEW YORK, May 7. - WAAT Newark, as a result of giving air time Monday (2) to the political opponents of Mayor Frank Hague Eggers of Jersey City found itself smack in a \$2,800,000 libel and slander suit filed this week in the New-Jersey Superior Court in Trenton. The indie outlet is being sued for \$800,000 as defendant in the action.

The mayor and his Freedom Party antagonists have been going at it hot and heavy in the election to be held Tuesday (10) for five new commissioners in Jersey City. The station gave James V. Kenny time to state the Freedom Party's views, in accord Columbia Broadcasting System's with Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules, and did not censor what had been said (that also would have been against FCC regulations).

> If the Freedom Party's statements are proven libelous, WAAT is liable, according to New Jersey State law, for damages.

#### Sales Staff Status

Paul McCluer, Chicago sales manager, said no salesmen were fired. He also said he did not know if any would be let go in the future. Word here is that there will be a slash in the Chicago sales staff.

In conjunction with the Chicago shake-up, rumors about the status of Chick Showerman, divisional vicepresident, again cropped up. No definite decision has been made yet, but it appears likely at this time that Showerman will be brought East to be put in charge of television sales for the network. Final decision on the status of Showerman and other top NBC execs is not expected to be made until Booz, Allen & Hamilton complete its survey of the entire network personnel picture and executive line-up (The Billboard, May 7).





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### **Coast Negotiations On**

HOLLYWOOD, May 7. - Overzealous sports promoters and loothungry college athletic officials are well on the way to "pricing themselves out of the television royalty market," according to well informed Coast tele sources. A check of local telecasters and agency men by The Billboard disclosed that the video industry is building up strong resentment against "unreasonable" demands for tele rights to various sporting series in Southern California. Accordingly, those who have the strongest voice in purchasing such rights are growing more adamant and clamouring for united action to stop "blackjacking" by colleges, pro ball clubs, etc.

Situation has been quietly simmering since last fall, when the rights to the USC-UCLA football frays were sold for a record \$75,000. With negotiations now beginning for next fall's football coverage, the squabble came to the front again this week. The picture is different this year only in that tele station ops have said they will not go for any deal considered out of line. Colleges, however, continue to maintain a policy of "let the highest bidder be heard," much to the disgust of the local trade. Preliminary talks with various officials at both USC and UCLA have concluded, but no definite plan for selling video rights to the combined local football skeds has been agreed to by either the schools or video men. One prominent Coast telecaster, who admitted he would like to snare the games, claimed that school officials will refuse to consider any bid under \$100,000. A school rep confirmed the fact that no price tag would be set, stating only that "we'll sell it for the highest price-or there'll be no television." Another report, stemming from a source close to the management of the Los Angeles Dons, pro football club, said the Dons have hinted they, too, want \$100,000 for tele rights to six local games. Video men stated flatly that such a request was "ridiculous." L. A. Rams, the town's other pro football club, hasn't set a price, but is reported shooting for at least \$75,000 for the season. Last year the Rams peddled tele rights for about \$25,000 and seemed happy to get it. The fact that the UCLA-USC sked brought \$75,000 last season is said to have set a dangerous precedent. Series was sold to KLAC-TV after spirited competitive bidding sparked by the fact that KLAC-TV was about to become airborne at the time and needed a programing hypo badly. Station was willing to spring for the heavy sugar required on the theory that snaring the football series would cause plenty of talk and afford the outlet a first-rate exploitation device. Series was only partially bankrolled and KLAC-TV took a heavy financial loss.

## **Burp** Concerto

PHILADELPHIA, May 7. -Must have been plenty of eyebrow raising among the lovers of good music the other evening. "Stay tuned to this station for the finest music known to man," was the pleading of the radio announcer just before Music in Good Taste, sponsored by the Snellenburg department store, went on the air at WPEN for the first time. But before the announcer could start spinning the classical records making up the Music in Good Taste seg, out came the familiar sounds of the Pepsi-Cola jingle.

are willing to loosen purse strings considerably to acquire rights. No station op, however, feels justified in spending far in excess of possible revenue, and all fear that continued submission to sports people will put a higher price on tele rights with each succeeding season until costs will be out of sight for even the richest bankroller.

Still another sore spot is the fact that schools have not opened bidding to bankrollers, limiting sale to tele stations only. Reason is said to be the desire to control tele coverage, with school officials feeling they can police station ops easier than bankrollers. For the first time, however, stations will be allowed to peddle games to cigarette makers, thus opening a strong source for potential bankrolling. Fact that KLAC-TV was unable to pitch sponsorship of last year's USC-UCLA sked to cig, beer or wine companies was one reason for lack of a full season's bankrolling. Two alternative (and cheaper) plans are being talked, altho neither appears likely to be accepted. First idea, which colleges advance, is to sell right: on a "seat guarantee" basis whereby a bankroller would guarantee to reimburse schools should attendance drop below a previously computed average attendance figure. Plan has been advanced by University of Michigan and shelved because no station or sponsor was willing to gamble on customer attendance. For the same reason, such a plan has little chance of clicking here. Second Crusade in Europe, the video film suggestion, advanced by several agency execs, would be to set a flat price on tele rights and make sponsorship available to all comers. While the selling price would be far below current demands, schools could peddle rights to three or four local outlets and enjoy a higher gross take, it is argued.

## **ABC's Thursday Evening TV Sked Registers Solid Hit**

shaped up as a solid smash. Starting measured material of Crusade. with Blind Date, at 7:30 p.m. and running thru Actor's Studio which weak link in the chain.

Blind Date, Bernard Schubert's re-Francis proving a vivacious, sexy not exactly on a lofty plane. Three females each received bids from two tough to match. collegians who sought to talk themselves into a free evening at the Stork Club, courtesy of the program. The gags flew thick and fast as the lads scrambled for that free meal.

This show is reported to have several potential sponsors hot after it. Altho its appeal is elementary, it is also elemental and should make for a lively start to the night's proceedings.

#### TV "Music" Version

shows, Stop the Music, bowed in its tele version in the 8 to 9 p.m. period. It looks like another winner, with emsee Bert Parks mugging like crazy and getting into the act almost as often as Milton Berle. Apart from Parks' antics, the show, of course, hands out a veritable bonanza, as does its AM brother.

ing and Betty Anne Grove performed the Liquor Authority. creditably. Visual hints on song titles were given by cartoons, pantomime and general carry-on. Viewers in various Eastern and Midwestern TV cities were called. The laugh of the night came when one named as the "mystery melody" the title being sought by the radio version of the show. Admiral's commercials in the first 30 minutes utilized demonstrations of its products which were bill prohibiting installation or use given away. Old Gold, second-half of TV sets in automobiles. bankroller, used straight plugs by Dennis James and the sound registered poorly, possibly because of the mike's position.

NEW YORK, May 7 .- The new | briefing, titled Story of the Week, Thursday evening video line-up of sponsored by Pal Blades. Virtually the American Broadcasting Company an editorial on the Chinese situation, (ABC) bowed in this week and it registered stridently following the

Winding things up on the regular schedule was 'Actors' Studio, which winds up at 10 p.m., there is hardly a International Silver reportedly is considering buying. The award-winning show again hit the jackpot with Budd furbished radio show supplied an in- Schulberg's opus, Somebody Had To terest-snaring opener. With Arlene Be Nobody. Top thesping jobs were turned in by Myron McGrath, Lou femsee, the program moved swiftly if Polan and Russell Collins. In aggregate, ABC's Thursday will be mighty Sam Chase.

## **Death of Tax On Tavern TV** Okayed in Pa.

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 7.-Gov. One of ABC's most valued radio James H. Duff has signed into law a bill passed by the 1949 Legislature removing television receiver sets from the category of amusements for purposes of the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board's amusement permit requirements. Under the new law TV sets may be operated in any bar, tavern or liquor-licensed restaurant without the licensee being required Singers Jimmy Blaine, Estelle Lor- to have an amusement permit from

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#### **Eve's Backbone**

The backbone of the evening was version of General Eisenhower's memoirs. Sponsored by Time and Life magazines, it lived up to its ballyhoo, with moving visual material emphasizing its major points. This show is bound to attract one of video's largest loyal followings.

Perhaps the weakest element of the night was the five-minute film

The governor's signature ended a year-long controversy over the legality of a Liquor Authority regulation requiring all taverns to pay a special tax for TV sets. This tax was in the form of an annual amusement permit, which cost one-fifth of the annual liquor license fee-in Philadelphia \$120 a year.

The Legislature has also passed a

## **CBS** Mulls Future Of "Ignorant" in TV

NEW YORK, May 7.-The Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) is considering either putting It Pays To Be Ignorant on a TV simulcast, while it airs on radio Sunday evening 10:30 to 11 p.m. or doing the program only for video. In any case, the web intends to hang on to the property and to see how it can be further exploited thru TV.

The Tom Howard and George Shelton show has been around for quite a while, but the web expects it to go still better on video as Howard, especially, is regarded a good visual comic.

### 44,500 TV SETS IN D. C.

WASHINGTON, May 7 .- There were 44,500 TV sets operating in the nation's capital as of May 1, the Washington Television Circulation Committee estimated this week. This figure represents an increase of 3,750 sets over the April 1 mark.



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## WGAL - TV Sees Operation In Black From June Bow On

LANCASTER, Pa., May 7 .- WGAL-| feed WGAL-TV some business, the operating in the black from its first costs. day out. The station is now on the air with test patterns and some film, but is holding up regularly scheduled service until the coaxial cable service comes into Lancaster June 1.

Several elements enter into the fact that it is aligned with all four other things, a hefty hunk of business from the National Broadcasting Com-168 W. 46 St., New York 19, N. Y. LU 2-1460 addition, the other three webs will is president.

TV here will make its formal air combination of the four webs' servdebut June 1, and will probably begin ice adding up to minimal sustaining

> A final fact is that WGAL-TV has already sold a considerable amount of national and local spot business in its own bailiwick.

One unusual aspect of the WGALfact that WGAL-TV will reverse the TV picture is that the station is writusual red-ink operation of newly ing off its video costs in five years, air borne TV stations. One is the rather than the seven most broadcasters use. This, of course, increases video networks, and is getting, among its monthly operating nut via larger amortization costs. The station will get on the air with a total outlay of pany (NBC), of which its AM ad- around \$265,000 and currently has junct is a full-time affiliate. In a staff of 14. Clair R. McCollough



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### **RADIO-TELEVISION**

## WLW-T Sponsor List Up 161% Jan. Thru April CINCINNATI, May 7.-Gains of 161

per cent in the number of sponsors have been reported by WLW-T for the period from January thru April. Figures released this week by Don Miller, head of the station's research department, show a total of 73 sponsors on WLW-T during April. This compares with 57 in March and 40 in February.

During January 35 sponsors were represented on the station. In December the number was 28. The figures for April represent the highest sponsor total in WLW-T's 15-month commercial history.

Dollar volume spent by sponsors on WLW-T is also at an all-time high, according to Milton F. Allison, station sales manager.

Television set estimates for Crosley-station areas total 34,000 as of May 1, according to figures released this week by the stations' research department.

The tabulation is based on no duplication; i.e., a set within the slight overlap area of WLW-T, Cincinnati, and WLW-D, Dayton, O., is counted for only one of the stations, not for both.

The breakdown follo	ws:	
Private	Public	
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WLW-T Area		
(Cincinnati)21,220	1,780	23,
WLW-D Area	VICTOR N	
(Dayton, O.) 4,830	470	5,
WLW-C Agea		23
(Columbus, O.) 5,510	290	5,1
Total for All		
Three Areas	2,540	34,
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## **Ozzie**, Harriet

**TV** Long Range

WASHINGTON, May 7 .--- Upon video station WNBW here are not only the eyes of Texas but also of Oklahoma and The station an-Arkansas. nounced this week that it has been receiving letters from viewers in those three States reporting that both the audio and video signal of WNBW have been picked up halfway across the country.

## Willard To Top NAB Television

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somewhat personal problem, involving Willard himself, who has been subjected to off-the-record criticism by NAB members, none of whom, apparently, cared to make any official representations. While Willard has had both critics and supporters, many broadcasters felt that the failure of the question to come out into the open was an injustice to the NAB exec veepee.

#### **Dilemma Eased**

One of the factors which entered into the Willard situation was the feeling that any change should have originated with Judge Miller himself, since he is free to choose his own als executive right hand. It was also argued, however, that Miller could 000 not act, unless the problem was 300 brought directly before him. Thus, the change for Willard to video-which, 800 it is generally agreed, cannot be regarded as a demotion-helps solve an 100 NAB dilemma.

mum (and not too satisfactory a min- cent; 14 and over, 12 per cent. imum, at that) the TV post would outsider. This would have been in addition to Willard's 25G a year, and since NAB now has its back up 11 per cent; 14 and over, 9 per cent. against the financial wall, it's a question as to where the TV dough would have come from. As it is, NAB is budget to keep the home fires burning, and in all likelihood will trim its staff, which now numbers 70 employees, as part of its economy drive. The Willard announcement is expected momentarily, with the further problem of the NAB realignment to be Item 1 on the agenda at the next NAB board meeting, to be held tirement time. this summer on Cape Cod.

## **Parents Nix School Marms'** View That TV Has Adverse **Effect on Kids, Poll Shows**

#### By Cy Wagner

views of some educators that teleupon children, most parents in Chicago apparently think the medium is having a beneficial one upon their offspring. This was revealed in a mail survey of over 500 Chicago television homes conducted for The Billboard by the Jay & Graham Video research organization.

This is the final article in a fourpart series devoted to results of the survey.

spondents asserted television has had an effect upon their children, while homework, while 28 per cent said 24 per cent gave negative answers. Two per cent did not answer. Of those replying in the affirmative, 87 per cent said it was beneficial. Good effects, in order mentioned, were given as follows: "Makes children content to be home more," "improves their vocabulary," "makes them more calm," "strengthens their powers of concentration," "causes them to ma-ture much faster."

#### **Juvenile** Audience

Of significance to advertisers and programers attempting to reach certain age levels were the facts concerning the age of the potential juvenile video audience here. Approximately 70 per cent of all the children were in the elementary school brackets.

The girl groups were broken down In addition, there is a saving of at as follows: Under 2 years, 7 per cent; least \$15,000 involved in Willard's 2 to 5, 20 per cent; 6 to 8, 36 per cent; new assignment, this being the mini- 9 to 11, 19 per cent; 12 to 14, 6 per Boys were classified in the followhave paid had NAB brought in an ing age groups: Under 2, 15 per cent; 2 to 5, 26 per cent; 6 to 8, 21 per cent; 9 to 11, 18 per cent; 12 to 14, Best hours to reach the grade school level were indicated as those after school and until bedtime. The majority, 77 per cent, returned home from school between 3 and 4:30 p.m. and 68 per cent were put to bed between 8 and 9 p.m. Refuting the frequently expressed view that television is keeping children in TV homes up too late, 66 per cent of the respondents said television had not changed their children's re-

CHICAGO, May 7 .- Despite the television progaming was revealed in answers to the question, "Have vision is having a detrimental effect you felt that any of the TV programs are not suited to children? If so, which?" Forty-eight per cent answered, "yes," and 52 per cent stated, "no." Types not suited for children, in order of mentioned frequencies, were the following; Gangster films, Western movies and mystery shows.

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Altho some educators have pointed out that television viewing prevents children from doing their homework, most parents apparently disagree. Seventy-four per cent of the re- Sixty-nine per cent said their children devoted the same amount of time to they spent less time, and 3 per cent said there was more time spent on homework.

That television is not yet being utilized as a recognized education medium was revealed by the fact that 72 per cent said their children's teachers had never recommended a television show. Twenty-eight per cent said they had. Programs recommended were the President's inauguration, travelogues, spelling bees, Kukla, Fran and Ollie, Uncle Misteltoe, Americana and Kiddie Parade.

#### **Tele Effects**

Tho most teachers apparently have not recognized television as an educational medium at the present, parents think its educational effect will be great, at least much greater than that of radio. The questionnaire asked, "What part do you believe TV will play in your children's education?" Ninety-six per cent said it would "play a greater part than radio"; 3 per cent said it would "have the same effect as radio," and only 1 per cent said it would have "less effect than radio." Another section of the questionnaire gave results which indicated the role television should play in the advertising plans of any manufacturer of children's products, Allan Jay and Edward Graham stated. These results showed that 94 per cent of the children of 10 or older viewed television three hours or more per day. Children between 6 and 9 also viewed TV three hours or more per day, and a similar amount of video watching was done by 68 per cent of children, 5 or younger. Jay and Graham stated that results of the childhood viewing portion of The Billboard's study indicated subject matter which needs more detailed study. For this reason they are planning to undertake a separate project in an attempt to glean "all possible information on these fields of television behavior." When this additional study is completed, the results will be reported in The Billboard.

## Nix AM Return; Plan TV Show

NEW YORK, May 7.-Ozzie and Harriet, who are parting company with International Silver, this week now in the midst of squeezing its were reported determined not to return to AM broadcasting. The couple, whose family comedy show airs on the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) at 6:30 p.m. Sundays, were said to have decided to devote full time to development of a video package.

Their plans are believed to include airing the tele show from Hollywood, with Eastern stations using kinescope versions. CBS program execs were said to be disturbed by the decision, fearing possible acquisition of the team by the National Broadcasting Company.

## \$2,500,000 Fund For ABC's Coast **Tele Operations**

Broadcasting Company (ABC) will sink \$2,500,000 into its Hollywood tele operations. Amount includes the net's expenditures on its 20-acre Television Center and its Mount Wilson transmitter. Figure, revealed here by ABC Exec Veepee Robert E. Kintner, is the largest segment of the web's \$6,250,000 budget allotted to its five owned-and-operated video outlets. (These are KECA-TV, Hollywood; KGO-TV, San Francisco; WJZ-TV, New York; WENR-TV, Chicago, and WXYZ, Detroit.)

KECA-TV will kick off August 1, with plans calling for a 50-hour per week sked from the start. Local station will be on the air from 2 p.m. until midnight, five days a week. By present standards, this would give the LA area the most TV airtime from any single station.

Parental displeasure with some

## **Tex and Jinx Get** 13-Wk. Reprieve

NEW YORK, May 7.-Preview, the Tex and Jinx TV show, which seemed slated for an axing, received a reprieve this week when Philip Morris Cigarettes, thru the Biow Agency, decided to renew the show for another 13 weeks. This will bring the show into the first week of August, by which time the sponsor hopes to build a listening audience.

The agency had been shopping for a replacement but reportedly had been unable to unearth anything that the client considered a good buy. It was decided, insiders state, to go along with Tex and Jinx until the fall and see what warm weather could produce in the way of a rating. The program is on the Columbia Broadcasting System Monday evenings, 8 to 8:30 p.m.

## Para Seeking FCC Removal **Of Anti-Trust Proceedings**

mount Pictures is conducting an allout drive to get the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to remove the anti-trust hook on which Paramount's TV off-spring have been HOLLYWOOD, May 7.—American impaled for several months. Both the parent company and the United Detroit Theaters filed petitions this week asserting that the divorce of Paramount's theater and film interests changes the situation.

> Thru Paramount's battery of lawyers, the flicker company for the first time described officially to the FCC the result of the consent decree signed with the Justice Department. Para said all the theaters and the Balaban' - Katz Chicago station, WBKB, go to the new theater company, while the new picture company takes over the flicker end as well as KTLA, Los Angeles, and the Para interest in the TV holdings of Allen B. DuMont Laboratories.

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since the outfit is in the clear with the Justice Department and that since | brood.

WASHINGTON, May 7. - Para- | the theaters and films are now two separate entities, the FCC should remove the "temporary license" stigma from WBKB, KTLA and the Du-Mont stations.

The two successor companies to Paramount Pictures, Inc., "will stand before the Commission free from whatever inhibitions the Commission may have thought to exist by reason of prior anti-trust proceedings," the legalists declared.

Going under control of the new theater company under the consent decree, the United Detroit Theaters put in a pitch for a reopening of the docket in which it is vying with the G. A. Richards' station, WJR, for a Detroit channel. United Detroit pointed out that the Para divorce changes the picture, since now the new theater company has an interest only in WBKB, as far as TV is concerned.

At the time of the Detroit hearing, said United Detroit Theaters, the FCC Paramount's lawyers argued that was taking into account the far-flung TV interests of the whole Paramount



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UNDAY	ABC	CBS	DuMONT	NBC	MONDAY	ABC	CBS	DuMONT	NBC
5:30 T0 6:00	Super Circus (Derby Foods) Needham, Louis & Brorby	Scrapbook		NBC	5:30 T0 6:00				Howdy Doody
6:00 TO 6:30	Cartoon Teletales				6:00 T0 6:30 6:30 7:00 7:00 7:00 7:00 7:30			Small Fry (Co-Op)	
6:30 TO 7:00	Singing Lady (Kellogg) N. W. Ayer & Son		Flight to Rhythm		6:30 T0 7:00		Lucky Pup (Joe Lowe) Blaine-Thompson	Teen-Time Tunes Vincent Lopez	
7:00 TO 7:30			Amateur Hour	Danton Walker's Broadway Scrapbook	7:00 T0 7:30		Your Sports Special	Inside Photóplay	Kukla, Fran and Ollie (RCA) J. Walter Thompson
7:30 TO	ABC Tele Players	Wesley	(P. Lorillard) Lennen & Mitchell	The Hartmans (Textron) J. Walter Thompson	7:30 T0	On Trial	CBS News (Oldsmobile) D. P. Brother	A Woman To Remember (W)	Mohawk Show- room (Mohawk Carpets) Kimball
8:00					E		Manhattan Showcase		Camel Newsreel (Reynolds)
8:00 TO 8:30	Jacques Fray Music Room	Toast of the Town		Lamb's Gambol (General Foods) Benton & Bowles	8:00 TO 8:30		(Philip Morris) Biow	Newsweek Views Co-Op	Wm. Esty
8:30 TO 9:00	Celebrity Time (Goodrich) BBDGO	Kenyon & Eckhardt		Author Meets the Critics (Ceneral Foods) Young & Rubicam	8:30 T0 9:00 9:00 70 9:30	ABC Barn Dance	Arthur Godfrey's Talent Scouts (Thos. J. Lipton) Young & Rubicam	Doorway to Fame (Co-Op)	-
9:00	Sing Copation				9:00	Identity (A. Stein) Louis A. Smith	* <b></b> 0		Colgate Theater
TO 9:30	Film Shorts	Fred Waring Show (General Electric)		NBC Drame Theater	T0 9:30	Skip Farrell	Ford Theater (Ford)		(Colgate-Palm- olive-Peet) Ted Bates)
9:30 TO 10:00	Treasure Quest	Young & Rubicam			9:30 T0 10:00		- Kenyon & Eckhard -		Americana (Firestone) Sweeney & James
10:00 T0 10:30	Action Autographs (Bell & Howell) Henri, Hurst & McDonald	News & Reviews (Barbasol) Erwin Wasey		NBC Drama Theater	10:00 T0 10:30		People's Platform	Camel Caravan Fights	

10:30				10:30	-		(R. J. Reynolds) William Esty		TAPETON NUMBER
10:30 TO 11:00	Bowling Headliners		the News	T0 11:00			D-DAMANA-PODM	111	THE REAL PROPERTY.
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THURSDAY	ABC	CBS	DuMONT	MBC	FRIDAY	ABC	CBS -	DuMONT	NBC
5:30 TO 6:00				Howdy Doody	5:30 T0 6:00				Howdy Doody
6:00 T0 6:30	a <b>1</b> .		Small Fry (Co-Op)					Small Fry (Co-Op)	
6:30 TO 7:00		Lucky Pup	Teen-Time Tunes Oky Doky Ranch		6:00 T0 6:30 6:30 6:30 T0 7:00		Lucky Pup (U. S. Rubber) Fletcher D. Richards	Teen-Time Tunes Vincent Lopez	
7:00 T0 7:30		Your Sports Special		Kukla, Fran and Ollie (RCA) J. Walter Thompson			Your Sports Special	Inside Photoplay	Kukla, Fran an Ollie (RCA) Walter Thomps
7:30 T0	Blind Date	CBS News	A Woman To Remember	Mohawk Show- room (Mohawk Carpets) Kimball	7:30 T0		CBS News (Oldsmobile) D. P. Brother	A Woman To Remember	Mohawk Show room (Mohaw Carpets) Kimba
8:00				Camel Newsreel (Reynolds) Wm. Esty	8:00		Manhattan Showcase		Camel Newsree (Reynolds)
8:00 TO 8:30	Stop the Music (Admiral) Kudner	54th Little Show		Hank Ladd Show ICluett-Peabody) Young & Rubicam	8:00 TO 8:30		Adventures in Jazz	Admiral Broadway Revue (Admiral) Kudner	Wm. Esty Admiral Broadw Revue (Admira Kudner
8:30 TO 9:00	Stop the Music (P. Lorillard) Lennen & Mitchell	19		Lanny Ross (Swift) McCann-Erickson	8:30 TO 9:00	Ladies, Be Seated	What's It Worth?	Kooner	Kuuner
9:00 TO 9:30	Crusade in Europe (Time) Young & Rubicam (W) Story of the Week (Pai Blade)		Morey Amsterdam Show (DuMont TV Dealers) Buchanan	Culf Road Show (Culf) Young & Rubicam		Break the Bank (Bristol-Myers) Doherty, Clifford & Schenfield	Johns Hopkins Science Review	Front Row Center	Benny Rubin She (Bona fide) Le
9:30 TO 10:00	Lefton Actors' Studio	Dione Lucas (Wine Advisory Board & Scott Towels) J. Walter Thompson	3	Bigelow Show (Bigelow-Sanford) Young & Rubicam	9:30 T0 10:00	Film Shorts		Key to the Missing	Your Show Tir (American Tob. N. W. Ayer
10:00 To 10:30	Roller Derby			Bigelow Show (Bigelow-Sanford) Young & Rubicam Young & Rubicam	9:00 T0 9:30 9:30 10:00 10:00 10:00 10:00 11:00 11:00 11:00 11:30	Sparring Partners	54		
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TUESDAY	ABC	CBS	DuMONT	NBC	WEDNESDAY	ABC	CBS	DuMONT	NBC
5:30 TO 6:00				Howdy Doody (Colgate-Palm- olive-Peet) Wm. Esty and (Mason, Au & Magen- heimer) Moore &	5:30 T0 6:00	1		61	Howdy Doody
6:00 TO 6:30			Small Fry (Co-Op)	Au & Magen- heimer) Moore & Hamm	5:30 T0 6:00 6:00 70 6:30 6:30 7:00 7:00 7:00 7:00 7:00 7:30 7:30 7			Small Fry (Co-Op)	
6:30		Lucky Pup	Teen-Time Tunes		6:30		Lucky Pup (Phillips Packing)	Teen-Time Tunes	
T0 7:00	×.	-	Oky Doky Ranch		T0 7:00	1	Aitkin-Kynett	Vincent Lopez	20
7:00 TO 7:30		Your Sports Special		Kukla, Fran and Ollie (RCA) J. Walter Thompson	7:00 T0 7:30		Your Sports Special	-	Kukla, Fran and Ollie (RCA) J. Walter Thompson
7:30 T0	les there have	CBS News	A Woman To Remember	Mohawk Show- room (Mohawk Carpets)	7:30 T0	-	CBS News (Oldsmobile) D. P. Brother	A Woman To Remember	Mohawk Show- room (Mohawk Carpets) Kimball
8:00	Joe Hasel Sport Show	Manhattan Showcase		Mohawk Show- room (Mohawk Carpets) Kimball Camel Newsreel (Reynolds) Wm. Esty	8:00		Masters of Magic (Pioneer Polaroid) Cayton		Camel Newsreel (Reynolds)
8;00 TO 8:30	Feature Film	Court Is in Session		Texaco Star Theater (Texaco)	8:00 T0 8:30	Feature Film	Arthur Codfrey and His Friends (Chesterfield)		Wm. Esty Leave It to the Girls
8:30 TO 9:00							Newell-Emmett		
9:00 TO 9:30		We, the People (Gulf) Young & Rubicam	Ted Steele Show (DuMont TV Deal- ers) Buchanan	Fireside Theater (P. & C.) Compton A Believe It or Not (Motorola) Courfain-Cobb	9:00 9:00 70 9:30 9:30 70 10:00 10:00 10:30 10:30 10:30 10:30 10:30	Fashions on Parade	Mary Kaye and Johnny (Whitehall) Dancer-Fitzgerald- Sample	Court of Current	Kraft TV Theater (Kraft) J. Walter Thompson
9:30 TO 10:00		Suspense (Electric Auto Lite) Newell-Emmett		Believe It or Not (Motorola) Gourfain-Cobb	9:30 T0 10:00		Kobbs Korner		
10:00 TO 10:30	Miller High Life Fight Show	Backstage (House- hold Finance) Levally		Wrestling	10:00 T0 10:30	Wrestling	Studio One (Westinghouse		Kraft TV Theater (Kraft) J. Walter Thompson Meet the Press Newsreel Village Barn
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SATURDAY	ABC	CBS	DuMONT	NBC
5:30 T0 6:00		1		Children's Sketchbook
6:00 T0 6:30			142	
6:30 T0 7:00		Lucky Pup		
7:00 TO 7:30				
7:30	Hollywood Screen	In the First Person		Maggi's Private Wire
TO 8:00	Hollywood Screen Test	Blues by Bargy		Leon Pearson and the News
8:00 TO 8:30	Stand by for Crime			Television Screen Magazine
8:30 TO 9:00	Criminal Hunt			Eddie Condon's Floor Show
9:00 T0 9:30	Paul Whiteman's	E		Who Said That? (Crosley) Benton & Bowles
9:30 To 10:00	TV Teen Club			Eddie Condon's Floor Show Who Said That? (Crosley) Benton & Bowles Saturday Night Jamboree Dave Carroway Show Three Flames
10:00 T0 10:30	Roller Derby			Dave Garroway Show
10:30 TO 11:00	-			Three Flames

The current program schedules of the four

television networks are shown on these pages.

Sustaining programs are indicated in lightface type. Commercial programs are in boldface, together with sponsor in parentheses and agency.

\*(1) Monday, 9-10, CBS: Ford Theater is once monthly. Other weeks schedule is: 9-9:30, "Through the Crystal Ball" (Ford), Kenyon & Eckhardt; 9:30-10, "The Goldbergs" (Sanka), Young & Rubicam.

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## **Congress Due To Crack Down On PX Price Slash of Sets**

WASHINGTON, May 7 .- A current probe by a House armed services subcommittee appears likely to end the preferential position of army post exchanges and navy ships service stores in the selling of such articles as radios, phonos, TV sets, disks and other items. Such stores are selling commodities subject to excise taxes tax-free, while the retailer must add the levy to the sales price.

The probe was launched at the instigation of Rep. Wright Patman (D., Tex.), chairman of the House Small Business Committee. Patman told the armed services group that with the general availability of merchandise, competition of army and navy stores has been seriously injuring the independent retailer.

#### 650 Million a Year

Still in the preliminary stage, the probe has already turned up the fact that stores operated by the army and navy are doing a gross business of \$650,000,000 a year.

The armed services subcommittee is thinking along two lines. The most drastic plan is to recommend that all of the stores operated by the armed forces in Continental United States be

## **Giant TV Sales** Promosh in D. C.

WASHINGTON, May 7 .- In a kingsized pitch to stimulate TV sales, Lubar, Inc., this week launched a television exposition, which started • off Sunday (1) with a special TV section in The Washington Post, plus a special cocktail party Sunday night for the press.

The store is holding what it calls

closed. Military leaders, however, complain that numerous servicemen are stuck in remote posts and are unable to purchase merchandise at regular retail stores.

#### **Taxes** Proposed

The other plan being considered by the subcommittee is a recommendation that all goods sold by army-navy stores be subject to the same taxes as retailers. This would have the effect of bringing selling prices of army-navy stores in line with those of the general retailer.

Subcommittee members are now examining regulations on the subject of army-navy stores to find out whether the proposed lines of action can be accomplished by a simple military order, or whether new legislation must be passed by Congress.

## **Farnsworth Is** Going to IT&T

NEW YORK, May 7.-Despite opposition from a group of stockholders led by Robert R. Kenny, former California Attorney General and chairman of the Stockholders' Protection Committee, a plan for sale of Farnsworth Television & Radio Corporation to International Telephone & Telegraph Company (IT&T) was approved at the Fort Wayne, Ind., special stockholders meeting.

Phil T. Farnsworth, vice-president. said the stockholders passed resolutions on formation of a separate corporation, Capehart-Farnsworth Corporation, and assignment to it of properties, assets and business of the Farnsworth firm. Also approved were resolutions to change the name of the present Farnsworth Corporation to F. A. R. Liquidating Corporation and transfer of Capehart-Farnsworth shares to IT&T in exchange for approximately 140,048 shares of IT&T. In the meantime, IT&T announced formation of Capehart-Farnsworth Corporation, and stated that steps

## **How They're Selling Them**

(As advertised in the nation's press.)

WHILE NO NEW TRENDS ARE APPARENT in this week's check on radio-phono-TV ads, the overwhelming majority of ads were based on competitive price selling. Such catch phrases as "lowest ever," "\$4 a week" and "90 less" keynoted most of the ads.

- "RENT A MOTOROLA TV SET FOR only \$1 a day." Minimum rental period of 15 days with \$20 deposit is required, which will be applied toward purchase price if you decide to buy. Price of table model, installed, \$195.90. -The Fair, Chicago.
- "SAVE MORE THAN 40 PER CENT-Chicago's greatest TV value. Big 61square inch picture . . . due to low, low, price we cannot mention the maker's name . . . regular price, \$399.95 . . . you pay only \$239.95 . . . install it yourself." - Hudson - Ross, Chicago.
- "NO AERIAL WITH MUNTZ TV" IS the headline of the factory-showroom ad. Table model set features 65-square inch picture and one-knob tuning at \$269.50.-Muntz TV, Chicago.
- "SAVE \$50 TO \$130 WITH OUR LIBERAL trade-in allowance. Beautiful low prices, beautiful performance and beautiful cabinets are all yours with a Bendix radio or television instrument." --- Mandel Bros., Chicago.
- "SAVE \$90 NOW! POWERFUL 8-TUBE G. E. FM-AM automatic radio-phonograph offered for \$169.50." Similar reductions offered on a console and a table model .-- Lazarus, Columbus, O.
- "MAY SALE OF DE LUXE RADIO-PHOnograph combinations." Scott, Capehart, Packard, Bell and RCA Victor sets offered at reduced prices .- Aeolian Company, St. Louis.
- FREE TRIAL IN YOUR HOME. TWOpage layout praises Admiral's consolette model. Special deal for installation of 500 sets given in "Mirror readers' homes" for 10-day period. Promotion is tied in with 25th anniversary of radio store. Ad mentions no prices, featuring, instead, fact that "you don't have to wait for telesion."-Platt Radio Stores, Los Angeles.
- ASK\_YOUR NEIGHBOR. "WHO MAKES the best television receiver, who gives the best television service? Ask your neighbor!" Distributor's full-page ad 'follows-thru on RCA Victor radio spot campaign in metropolitan area .--Bruno-New York, New York.

- "DELIVERED AND INSTALLED WITHIN 24 hours." The G. E., Model 805, is offered at \$239.95, plus tax and installation. Only \$2.50 weekly after small down payment." -- Bedford Radio & Television, New York.
- "NOW YOU CAN OWN A TELEVISION set for only 30 cents a day," store announces in large type, followed by "after down payment" in small type. Ad plugs the GE 10-incher at \$239.95.-Electrical Center, Washington.
- "TELEVISION CLEARANCE." CHAIN of 23 stores offers saving up to \$300 on 500 floor samples of table models, consoles and combinations. No manufacturers' names used .- Davega, New York.
- "SURE CURE FOR DATELESS TUESdays-Better living prescribes DuMont -the finest in television. You just don't rate if you're not in the television set-the sure cure for dateless Tuesdays, Wednesdays-and always!"-Better Living Appliances, New York.
- "THE PICTURE'S THE THING!" SEARS announces its Silvertone tele line with full-page ad, stressing that "you get the best in Silvertone regardless of price.' Ad features a console radio-TV set at \$399.95 and table model receiver for \$299, both with 10-inch tubes .- Sears Roebuck & Company, Los Angeles.
- "SEE THE KENTUCKY DERBY IN ITS thrilling entirety," store advises in ad plugging Westinghouse receiver. Copy is written over a picture of a horse race and adds: "One alone stands out in a race . . , Westinghouse tele-vision is outstanding."-Ellis Radio, Arlington, Va.
- BALTIMORE DEALERS AND DISTRIBUtors went all-out on a large-scale TV campaign when The Baltimore Sun ran a special Sunday section on TV. Larger dealers used as much as three and four full pages. Many stressed service policies and store name in addition to sales points of specific sets. The Television Company of Maryland stressed "service really counts," with photos of 23 servicemen and nine service trucks.

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"open house" for the public to wander in and view TV sets and motion pictures on the development of TV and meet local video performers. Lubar is remaining open in the evenings in order that prospective buyers may watch the best television programing.

The special Post section comprised a dozen magazine-size pages packed the company in full production. with editorial matter on the exposition and ads from other concerns congratulating Lubar on the opening of the TV exposition.

The preview for the press was arranged and thirsty scribes were plied with cocktails and then escorted around the floor where numerous TV receivers were displayed. A dozen video performers were on hand.

The exposition was conceived and carried out by the Epstein Advertising Agency, which handles the Lubar account.

## **Krasno Heads** Col.'s Kidisks

NEW YORK, May 7.-Hecky Krasno this week joined Columbia Records to assume charge of the firm's children and educational disk departments. Krasno is a noted kidisk expert, having written a tome on child records as well as having written a number of kidisk items for such firms as Caravan and Musicraft.

Ben Selvin last week was relieved of his children record duties in order to devote full time to his chore at the helm of the diskery's West Coast pop artists and repertoire department.

### **Terwilliger to Motorola**

NEW YORK, May 7 .- N. H. Terwilliger has been appointed assistant manager in advertising and sales promotion for Motorola, Inc. Terwilliger was sales promotion manager at served as principal research engineer Corporation, manufacturer of TV ac- veteran producer's position with Du-Zenith for 10 years and at various prior to the appointment, had been in times was advertising manager of Sparton and sales manager for Victor ment. He joined Bendix Radio in tape recorders.

## Warner Drops Bid For Color Permit

Bros. this week decided to drop their application for an ultra high frequency (UHF) experimental tele perbank, Calif., film studio. Prior to products. this directive, Warners had applied to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for withdrawal without prejudice of their Chicago tele license Stromberg-Carlson, Emerson, Zenith, iron to magnetically record and rebid.

At one time the film tycoon said he DuMont. would invest \$50,000,000 or more in tele, and started experimentation on theater video. Warner's order to stop video operations came after he was unable to get a yes or no answer from the Commission on the WB bid for KLAC-TC.

Altho the Commission hasn't rejected the application, Warner interprets FCC's long silence as unofficial refusal. However, if the commission okays the deal Warner intends to throw his resources behind video.

### **Bendix Names Norton Chief**

BALTIMORE, May 7 .- Frank R. Norton has been appointed chief engineer of the Bendix Radio-Television and Broadcast Division of Bendix Estersohn has been appointed sales signed to join the DuMont TV net-Aviation Corporation. Norton, who manager of the Jerrold Electronics work as program consultant. The charge of TV and receiver develop-1945.

## **Major TV Distribs Latch Onto WHTM Promosh Plan**

ROCHESTER, May 7.-Debut June the National Association of Broadcastwould be taken immediately to place 11 of WHTM, the companion television station of the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) outlet, WHAM, will be accompanied by one of the most lavish promotional campaigns staged by a new TV percolator. Outstanding in the planning is a TV exhibition to be held for one week, HOLLYWOOD, May 7.-Warner June 11 thru June 18, in the Knights of Columbus Auditorium. The affair will be sponsored by the Electrical Association of Rochester and will be mit. Move comes on the heels of participated in by leading TV re-Harry M. Warner's order last week ceiver manufacturers. Regional dis-(The Billboard, May 7) that all tele tribs of the manufacturers are taking operations be terminated at the Bur- space to display their companies'

> Distribs of the following companies are already signed up for space: Admiral, Westinghouse, RCA Victor, Philco, General Electric, Motorola and

The exhibit will be exclusively TV, with radio or electrical appliances barred. It's expected that 100,000 serves as a microphone. This unit will attend the exhibit.

Far-reaching promotion is scheduled in addition to the exhibit. This includes (1) special TV supplement by The Rochester Times-Union; (2) promotion in the Rochester Gas & Electric's house organ; (3) special supplement by The Rochester Catholic Courier-Journal; (4) TV luncheon sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, with Justin Miller, prexy of

### Jerrold Picks Estersohn

PHILADELPHIA, May 7.—Harry cessories. Estersohn was formerly Mont will not interfere in any way sound sales engineer with the Lafayette-Concord Radio Corporation of will continue to produce plays for the New York.

ers (NAB), scheduled to speak; (5) TV supplement by The Rochester Democrat & Chronicle, Sunday paper; (6) extensive promotion by car cards and leaflets.

## Playtalk, Recording Toy, To Bow in June

SYRACUSE, May 7 .- The Playtalk, a new electronic toy for kiddies, has been developed by the specialty division of the General Electric Company here. The device uses a grooveless paper disk coated with powdered produce music or voice.

Resembling a child's toy phonograph, the device has a three-and-a half-inch loudspeaker which also is housed in a small metal case connected to the Playtalk by an extension cord. The paper records are eight inches in diameter and hold about two minutes of recording. Disks may be used over and over again, since recordings can be erased with a permanent magnet as the record revolves. Production of the toy will begin in June.

### Max Gordon Joins DuMont

NEW YORK, May 7.-Broadway producer Max Gordon this week with his Broadway operations. He legit theater.



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CHICAGO, May 7. - Two new pieces of record playing equipment, designed to meet the needs of microlast week by Midwestern firms.

Milwaukee Stamping Company, West Allis, Wis., national supplier of record changer equipment, will re- feelings have been ruffled by pubber lease a three-way automatic record changer June 1. It will handle 7, 10 edly throw choice tunes or picture and 12-inch 78, 45 and 33 r.p.m. platters without use of center-hole adapters. John C. McDonald, sales chief for the firm, said the player will shuttle 45 r.p.m. disks from the edge a la conventional equipment, rather than from the edge a la Victor playing equipment. The player will have one pick-up arm, equipped with a needle carrying both a microgrooved and conventional 78 point. Price will be competitive to any low-priced three-way automatic now being produced.

A new 45 r.p.m. record changer unit will bow May 15 when Oak Manufacturing Company, Chicago radio parts maker, introduces its player which will be basically the same in appearance as the Victor 45 r.p.m. unit but will differ technically. The Oak player has seven moving parts as opposed to Victor's 12. It handles 10 to 14 records, while the Victor's maximum is 8 to 10. The Oak player has an "on-off" switch in conjunction sible to handle the tone arm during plan has been difficult to administer, the record play without putting the and is considered by many music men changer out of cycle or making the tone arm inoperative. Oak will make only a changer and not the selfcontained player unit. The unit will be priced at the same level as the Victor unit. Oak is currently making two types of radio set mountings for 45 r.p.m. players, on which both their own and the Victor models will fit. The mounting can either be screwed to a piece of furniture or the side of a radio set, so that the double track mounting will hold the player securely. The track makes it possible to push the player, connected on the back of a radio set, out of view when not in use.

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(Continued from page 3) are interested only in the way they fulfill their contractual obligations with us and the performances and records they produce for us. We've grooved platters, were announced always tried to arrange matters so that our affiliates are productive for BMI, and we're continuing to do so."

The same exec denied that BMI affiliates with dual firms who reportscores into their ASCAP catalogs, or that such actions might have affected recent renewal agreements.

#### Writer Policies

As to a new writers plan, it was admitted that Bob Sour, in charge of be devoting a larger part of his time to songwriter relations." It was flatly attracting and holding songwriters has been devised, nor was it indi- Or Was It Spring? cated when such a plan might be instituted.

Nevertheless, tradesters feel ceractually be already operating. BMI's taciturnity on the matter is attributed by observers close to the situation to a fear that publicity on the plan at screen. this time, in its early stages, might draw unwelcome attention and jeopardize its success.

The "per plug," or "incentive" syswith the reject mechanism. It has a tem, is slated to go by the boards in free-tone arm, which makes it pos- the near future, it was indicated. The

as an invitation to payola for chisel-

As to expanding field activity, BMI plans to add a man in the New York area, and perhaps one in the Hollywood area, to do station contact work, with emphasis on deejay promotion.

## **4 Tunes to MGM** For "Duchess"

HOLLYWOOD, May 7. — Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer last week bought four Al Rinker-Floyd Huddleston cleffings to be used in the Joseph Pasternak film production, Duchess BMI's production activities, "would of Idaho. Tunes will be published by one of the MGM subsid firms. Songs are You Can't Do Wrong Doing Right, denied, however, that a new plan for It's Happened Before, Warm Hands, Cold Heart; Beguine, and a ballad,

Deal was closed with Metro by George (Bullets) Durgom, who handles the tunesmith. You Can't Do tain that some sort of writers' plan Wrong was recorded by Phil Harris has been worked out, and may even and intended for release in the near future, but since it will be featured in the film, release date on the disk has been restricted until pic hits the



# Via Bypassing Techniques

### **Departure From Tradition**

#### By Bill Simon

NEW YORK, May 7 .- The songwriters' practice of taking tunes directly to record companies, an occasional thing prior to the ban, now is blossoming forth as a major source of irritation to front-line-publishers. The latter point out numerous reasons for opposing such procedure, claiming that they alone can act consistently in the best interest of both writers and recorders. These pubbers cite recent incidents where tunesmiths making their own record deals have fouled up the publishers' well-laid plans. However, many writers who have been able to place songs with companies after they have been rejected by publishers, now feel they are wasting time making the publisher rounds first with new tunes.

This switch, it is generally felt, has resulted from the company's eagerness to get there first with tunes and in some cases to obtain special royalty concessions. This may be done by paying royalties to the writers only, eliminating the publishers' half of the take. Diskeries owning their own publishing houses will also often encourage writers to see them first. For a while some publishers would take any song that was on a record and pay the writers an advance. Writers were advised, "Get a record first, then we'll take your song." Now pubbers themselves are reversing this attitude, with one commenting, "The day of shelling out dough on the basis of any record is gone. It has to be a major." In order to earn back a \$1,000 advance to a writer, 100,000 records must be sold, and this doesn't take into consideration such incidental expenses as printing and preliminary exploitasell that many disks today, according to that pubber, and if they do, "try to collect the royalties," but the monster has been created, and the diskers' open doors to writers have recently caused much embarrassment to several publishers.

## **Capitol Signs Boyd to Paper**

HOLLYWOOD, May 7. - Videospurred popularity of Hopalong Cassidy last week led to Capitol Records signing his screen creator, Bill Boyd, to a long-term contract. Always a fave among kids, the Hopalong character zoomed to new heights in popularity as a result of TV airing of the old films.

According to Alan Livingston, Cap's kidisk department head, Cassidy will be presented on wax in a manner entirely different from what has been attempted heretofore in the moppet wax field. He refused to make further comment on this, indicating it would tip off competitors. Cap was the first diskery to use record readers, a device which helped boost its kidisk sales.

Inking of Boyd gives Cap's already potent kidisk department its second major kid attraction in ditto number of weeks. Last week, diskery signed Smiley Burnette to a recording contract and promised to promote the Western pic song comic in picked up when he picked up the mal binder. The union and the mana manner that would cash in on his film popularity. Boyd will be recorded in the immediate future with his initial release to be sometime in late summer.

## N. Y. Statler List Amusement Park here, May 27. Book-ings for the season have been set, with Adds Kaye Ork

to follow thru on a complete return to a policy of using only top name bands, the Hotel Statler this week inked Sammy Kaye's ork for a fiveweek engagement which will begin Pastor; 15, Skitch Henderson; 22, November 14. Kaye will follow Vaughn Monroe's ork into the room. Also in the Statler line-up are Henry Busse, Ray Anthony and Dick Jurgens, who follows the current tenant, Eddy Howard. Figuring to appear at the Cafe Rouge sometime in the fall is the Tommy Dorsey crew.

This Statler date will mark Kaye's initial appearance in the famed Cafe dates have been at the Hotel Commodore's Century Room, no longer in the name band business, the Hotel Astor and the Hotel New Yorker.

## Loesser Forms **New Pub Firm**

NEW YORK, May 7.-Songwriter Frank Loesser is reported to have name of Frank Music Corporation. the name of Susan Music, is believed to have set up this new firm to handle those of his copyrights which have returned and will return to him under for a mimimum number of men to be terms of the individual pacts he made used at all concerts, musicals, operas for his tunes originally.

those of his songs which he recently Saunders music catalog, which contains such tunes as In My Arms and Moon of Manakura. Loesser also will shortly receive some copyrights from the Famous-Paramount pubbery.

DETROIT, May 7.-Jerry Wald and his orchestra will open the season for Eastwood Gardens at Eastwood Amusement Park here, May 27. Bookthe exception of two tentative dates, according to Milton Wagner, partner in the park. All bookings, set by either the Music Corporation of NEW YORK, May 7 .- Continuing America or the General Artists Corporation, are as follows:

June 3, Ted Weems; 10, Woody Herman; 17, Tex Beneke; 24, Elliot Lawrence; July 1, Blue Barron; 8, Tony Gene Krupa; 29, Johnny Long; August tion. Few indies have the power to 5, Edy Howard; 12, Louis Prima; 19, Sammy Kaye (tentative); 26, Ray McKinley, and September 2, Ray Anthony (tentative).



PHILADELPHIA, May 7.-Local 77, American Federation of Musicians (AFM), has advised its membership that on or after July 1 the Academy of Music will go on the "unfair" list ford Music. The publisher set a unless the management comes to terms before that date.

manager of the concert hall, said he wasn't worrying over the "unfair list" designation, calling it just a device "to get us together and talk set up a new pubbing firm under the things over during the summer." Since the Academy is shuttered thru Loesser, who has a pub-writer deal July, August and most of September, with the E. H. Morris pubbery under Mason thought the July 1 deadline was "very considerate" of the union.

The union local had its first contract with the Academy, providing and even jam sessions, for the 1947-Loesser's new firm will handle '48 season. However, the season just completed went by without any foragement were never able to come to terms. The "unfair list" threat was a means used by the union to reopen negotiations for the coming 1949-'50 season.

#### Incidents

One case cited is that of the tune Lovers' Gold, cleffed by Morty Nevins and Bob Merrill. The writers had been showing the tune around, and several name artists were clamoring for exclusives when Eddie Joy picked the tune up for his Ox-July 1 release date for records, and set its major label artists, but the However, Harold Mason, general indie King label, with whom the pubber had not been in contact, jumped the gun and released its disking of the tune without first re-(See Writer-Disker Deals on page 40)

## **Johnson Resigns Peer Pub Post**

NEW YORK, May 7.-Jerry Johnson resigned this week as general professional manager of the Peer International Corporation. Johnson, whose contract was to expire the end of June, and the pubbery settled on a mutually satisfactory basis.

Mark Shreck, contact man with Peer, replaces Johnson as general professional manager.



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## ASCAP-TV Love Talk Torpedoed NAB Rejects Arbitration, ASCAP and TV's Opposite Views **Talks of Non-ASCAP Music; Peace Hopes Still Persist**

#### By Ben Atlas

(Continued from page 9) period under discussion."

posal, Ahlert acknowledged that behalf with the television industry months-long attempts by ASCAP and have failed. the NAB TV committee "to arrive at a solution on the problems presented that the individual television network may be futile." He added that or local television station, the indi-ASCAP "therefore" deems it "advisable to record a complete account of past and present negotiations, in the hope that by so doing we may (a) clarify the issues and thereby yet arrive among ourselves at a fair and mutually satisfactory settlement, and (b) avoid the confusion and condemnation that unfortunately surrounded our radio negotiations some 10 years ago."

Ahlert then went on to describe ASCAP's make-up and purposes and said that it gave the television industry "full license to use its (ASCAP's) repertoire of serious and Alexander Agency. Williams's perpopular music without monetary or sonal manager, Barbara Belle, will other compensation of other kind" but that "now television has arrived" and members of ASCAP are asking ster apparently will operate without for "adequate compensation for the a personal manager. use of their music."

#### Wide Apart

That ASCAP and the NAB television committee are wide apart in their views on what constitutes "adequate" compensation was made clear in the Ahlert letter. Ahlert insisted the TV industry has proposed that ASCAP composers and authors and their publishers allow the use of their music "at rates far below those applicable to radio." The net effect of the NAB offer, Ahlert said, would be a 58 per cent reduction for television networks and a 40 per cent reduction for local television stations below those rates operating for radio. Rates of compensation asked by ASCAP, he said, are 23/4 per cent, with a ceiling on individually licensed special uses, minus a discount not to exceed 15 per cent to compensate for advertising agency fees, minus an additional discount of not over 15 per cent to compensate local stations for payments to national spot representatives, minus a further discount not to exceed 5 per cent to reimburse TV nets in part for the cost interconnecting stations. This offer, Ahlert stated in his letter to Myers, was declined by the TV industry, "which asserted that the industry would not agree to any plan which reserved to the individual composers, authors and publishers the right to bargain independently for special uses."

accept this proposal," stated Ahlert, ment covering the balance of the "we have only one alternative-to inform our membership that the So-In offering the new arbitration pro- ciety's negotiations on its members'

> "The consequence of this would be vidual sponsors or their advertising agencies, would find it necessary to deal for each individual use with the composer, author and publisher of each work."



NEW YORK, May 7 .- Gene Williams's young band is close to inking a management pact with the Willard selll her interest in the band to the ork's backer, Eddie Furst. The ork-

The Williams crew, in business for about nine months, has never previously been exclusively attached to an agency. It's an 11-piece crew and has etched some sides for the Mercury waxery.

NEW YORK, May 7.-Statements issued by the American Society \* of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) and the television music committee of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) relative to the deadlock over TV music rights are very strong in their presentation of the opposing points of view. Both statements, however, voice the hope that a mutually satisfactory agreement will be reached. As yet the situation has not deteriorated to the namecalling stage of 1940-'41, and it's known that influential parties in both the TV and ASCAP corners would regard it as akin to tragedy if both parties couldn't get together.

The last session between the negotiating parties wound up with some heat engendered. TV people believed, for instance, that the ASCAP statement, proposing arbitration, had been prepared and mimeographed in advance of the session's wind-up. This didn't sit too well with them. An ASCAP spokesman Friday night, however, pointed out that the Society was definitely conciliatory and anxious to try again.

#### United Front Possible?

TV men, queried as to what would be their next step in the event no quick settlement was forthcoming, suggest that TV stations and programers were thinking of the possibility of clearing certain types of music rights at the source in order to get dramatic-music performances for specific programs. Such an eventuality, of course, raises the problem of esprit de corps among the ASCAP membership. Would the publishers and writers present a united front, or would some of them be amenable to individual deals with TV stations and advertisers? Some rumors on the subject were bruited about, one of them to the effect that the Warners Music interest, comprising a tremendous portion of the ASCAP standard catalog, would formulate a TV licensing plan. A Warners spokesman branded this report as ridiculous.

It was also reported that certain TV facilities had already taken "dry runs" on their programing in order to ascertain whether they could manage without ASCAP music. BMI licenses all the 50-odd TV stations-being paid on a local station basis. SESAC gives TV stations a gratis license currently.

It's pointed out by TV people that, all in all, TV is in a stronger position musicwise than standard broadcasting was in 1940-'41. However, it's also admitted that, in this development stage of the industry, with programing admittedly not so hot, it is important that TV have access to the ASCAP catalog.

#### No \$ Crisis for ASCAP

Another point is worth bearing in mind. From a financial end, the current deadlock poses no immediate crisis for ASCAP. The Society derives nearly \$7,000,000 annually from radio, with which it holds a long-term pact. True, TV is expected by many to replace radio and ultimately become the Society's chief source of income, hence the necessity for a sound pact from ASCAP's point of view. But this would be protection for the future, not the present. Gist of the statement of ASCAP Prexy Fred Ahlert is contained in the lead ASCAP story in this issue. NAB's statement plays up the following angles: (1) Fees on TV must bear a reasonable relationship to TV's ability to pay; (2) TV has been operating at terrific losses; (3) TV cannot agree to a plan which presumes to offer a blanket license but actually offers only a limited license and reserves to individual authors and pubs the right to bargain independently for special uses. Apropos of the latter, NAB states: "This is a right which cannot be arbitrated even if there were available as arbitrators any disinterested persons capable of comprehending the extremely complicated procedure under which ASCAP operates in its relations with users of music."

"Should TV find itself unwilling to



NEW YORK, May 7.-For the eighth consecutive year, the General Artists Corporation (GAC) will book the annual series of public park summer one-nighters run off in this city under the sponsorship of the Consolidated Edison Company. The deal was arranged by local GAC onenight booker, Howard Sinnott, who also has been responsible for obtaining this series of dates for the agency in the past.

54 one-nighters and will begin June The duty of the Labor Committee now 23.

## **RCA Has New Breakage Slant**

NEW YORK, May 7.-RCA Victor has authorized a new breakage policy, simply crediting dealers with an extra 1 per cent on every invoice. Dealers will not have to list and return broken platters to Victor under the new policy, which is nationally effective immediately.

The 5 per cent return privilege continues as before, with the new 1 per cent an added discount.

## Welfare Funds Uncertain **As Govt. Mulls Labor Bills**

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with Taft, himself, ready to propose a score of amendments including the welfare fund modification.

The eventual fate of welfare funds is anybody's guess. The outcome will rest in the hands of a joint House-Senate conference which will meet after both houses have passed a labormanagement bill. The conference will have to iron out the inevitable difference between the two versions.

#### No Bill Now

Altho the Senate has the T-H repealer on its docket, there is no labor bill before the House at the present time, as a result of the vote by which the House recommitted to the Labor Committee the Wood substitute for the T-H repealer.

The Wood Bill, which failed to pass by the slim margin of three votes, would keep intact the T-H welfare fund provisions. The language in the The series will constitute about two pieces of legislation is identical. is to rewrite the Wood substitute so junctions are also available."

that it can pass the House. Most of is certain to be drastically amended the debate on the legislation this week was general, but the welfare fund came in for a couple of comments.

> In an attack against the various provisions of the Wood substitute, Rep. Roy Weir (D., Minn.) declared that, under the Wood measure, "restrictions against welfare funds, which have brought relief to unemployed and injured workers and have come to the rescue of many families of other workers killed on the job, are kept as tight and cruel as before."

> Rep. Charles Howell (R., N. M.) told the House: "The substitute contains the same provisions as the Taft-Hartley Act, making it a criminal offense for an employer to contribute or an employee representative to accept money for health and welfare funds unless they are for particular purposes and administered in a specific manner. In addition to imposing criminal penalties for violations of these restrictive provisions, court in

La Knight To Get **Gold Disk Honor** 

NEW YORK, May 7. - Thrush Evelyn Knight will be presented with a solid gold etching of her Little Bird Told Me Decca disking within the next couple of weeks as a token of the record's having attained a sale of over 1,000,000 platters. The disk now is hovering around the 1,500,000 mark in sales.

The presentation will be made to the chirp by the Decca veepee in charge of artists and repertoire, Dave Kapp, who left here for the West Coast yesterday.

## **London Inks Distrib** Of Exclusive in N.Y.

NEW YORK, May 7.-London Records this week took over the distribution of Exclusive records for the metropolitan area. London acquired the premises of Exclusive Record Company Distributors on 10th Avenue, with Gloria Friedman continuing in charge of that office.

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## **Pluggers Win \$75 Minimum** In New Pact

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NEW YORK, May 7.-Members of the Music Publishers' Contact Employees' Union (MPCE) this week ratified the new employment contract, which has already been okayed publishers and the union, extends from the date of signature until December 31, 1952.

The pact is substantially the same as the one which expired last year. with provisions for minimum pay, severance pay and minimum employment period the important exceptions. The new minimum is \$75 a week for experienced pluggers and \$50 for neophytes. Severance pay is limited to \$1,500, and men hired without a written contract must be kept for at least eight weeks. The Parade and Charles Delauney's Hot usual clauses against payola, cut-ins and other evils are included. The sought-after pension plan is not.

## **Coronet**, New Music Supply Org, Formed

new music supply firm, has been Davis, Tadd Dameron, James Moody, organized by Harry Pearl, Mac Nie- Kenny Clarke, Lips Page, Sidney Beporent and Ben Ostrow.

ley, which recently turned over its and Rex Stewart. The latter three jobbing interests to the Music Dealers tootlers have been in Europe for some Service (MDS).

## **Billy Shaw Confounds Paree With** Le Jazz Hot et le Jazz Old Hat

NEW YORK, May 7.-Jazz will the Americans on their arrival. They have its day in France when the annual International Jazz Festival gets under way Monday (9) in Paris at the Salle Pleyal. The clambake, which goes on for a week and spots a series of eight concerts by hot by pubber representatives. The pact, tootlers of seven nations, will spotwhich must be signed by individual light a contingent of American jazzmen rounded up for the affair by Billy Shaw, head of the new Shaw Artists Corporation (SAC).

> types running from the extreme bopster to the old-hat Dixieland proponent, will realize a net of some \$6,800 for the week's efforts. All expenses and transportation fees are being paid for by the sponsors of the jazz week. Sponsors include the Spectacles International of Monte Carlo, Blue Star Records, the Jazz Club of Paris. The annual affair is endorsed by the city government of Paris. Participating nations, aside from the United States and France, include England, Sweden, Belgium, Switzerland and Italy.

#### U. S. Reps

Representing Uncle Sam in the series of concerts will be Charlie Parker, Kinny Durham, Al Haig, NEW YORK, May 7.-Coronet, a Tommy Potter, Max Roach, Miles chet, Big Chief Russell Moore, Jimmy The men were formerly with Ash- MacPartland, Don Byas, Bill Coleman

left New York by plane Thursday (5) with Shaw's assistant, Billie Miller, supervising the trip.

France will be represented by Claude Luter, Aime Barelli, Andre Ekyon, Hubert Rostaing, J. C. Fohrenak, Leo Shauliar, Django Rheinhardt and the Quintet of the Hot Club of France. England's hot tootler con-The Yank group, which includes tingent will include Vic Lewis' ork and Carlo Krahmer. Switzerland's group includes the Hazy Osterwald Quintet and Ernst Hollenhagen. Belbium is represented by Toots Thielmans Trio and the Bopshots. Italy's emissary is Amando Trovajoli, while Sweden was due to send an all-star group.

## Lombardo Inks Pact With Decca

NEW YORK, May 7 .- Guy Lombardo this week finally inked a new waxing pact with the Decca Records firm after several months of negotiation, which were interrupted by the death of Jack Kapp. It is believed that the maestro renewed with the firm, for which he has etched some 15 years, for an additional five years.

The deal was completed by Lombardo and Dave Kapp, Decca's veetime and will join the remainder of pee in charge of artists and repertoire.

## **Cole Gets 55G Guarantee** for Southern Tour

HOLLYWOOD, May 7.-Nat (King) Cole and his trio are guaranteed a minimum of \$55,000 for a Southern tour which starts May 26 at Norfolk. Group will play 37 dates and will get a \$1,500 guarantee per appearance plus a privilege of 60 per cent of the gross above the guarantee. This will be the first time since Cole formed his group 10 years ago that it has dipped into the Southern States for a p. a. junket.

Dates set so far include Norfolk, May 26; Richmond, Va., 27; Charleston, W. Va., 28; Chattanooga, 30; Birmingham, June 1-2; Tuskagee, Ala., 3; Macon, Ga., 4; Raleigh, N. C., 6; Greensboro, N. C., 7; Columbia, N. C., 8; Charleston, S. C., 9; Maxton, N. C., 10; Durham, N. C., 11; Atlanta, 12; Knoxville, 13; Greenville, S. C., 14; Danville, Va., 15; Roanoke, Va., 16; Charlotte, N. C., 17; Charleston, W. Va., 18; Richmond, Va., 19; Nashville, 21; New Orleans, 26; Beaumont, Tex., 27; Galveston, Tex., 28; Little Rock, 30; Dallas, July 1, Shreveport, La., 2; Houston, 3-4; San Antonio, 5.

Following their Southern tour, Cole and the threesome will head Coastward, where they will open at Los Angeles Million Dollar Theater July 12. After a week at the theater, the group will open a two-week stand at the Casbah, L.A. nitery, on July 19.



NEW YORK, May 7.-Columbia Records' long-awaited new and improved long-playing record player attachment will debut next week in New York. The machine will retail at \$9.95 in New York and will be sold by Times-Columbia Appliances, local Columbia disk distrib, to dealers at \$8.95. The distrib will make no profit on the new machine which will replace the older Philco attachment. The new machine is being produced for Columbia by the VM firm, of Chicago, and it features the recommended sapphire pick-up and an improved heavy duty 33½ r.p.m. motor. Each local distrib will work out its own deal with the sale of the machine, but it is believed that the others will follow the New York price line. George Hayes, Times-Columbia disk sales chief, believes that each purchaser of the new machine should figure to pick up about \$10 in LP disks each month. Hayes reports that the Times-Columbia biz in LP represents about 55 per cent of the distribs' local disk sales. He added that the sale of the new VM attachment will be a straight deal and will not involve any free disk giveaway incentives.

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## **3 Peppers Are Back Together**

PHILADELPHIA, May 7. - The Three Peppers, top instrumentalvocal unit until a half dozen years ago and before the King Cole Trio took over the triplet honors, will reorganize with the same three original Peppers. The threesome, which played the top spots around the country, made flickers and waxed for Decca last, is being brought together again by Jolly Joyce, local theatrical agency head, who managed the Peppers in the old days.

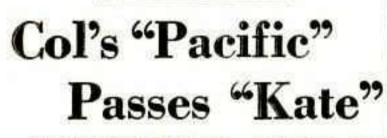
Bob Bell, featured singer and guitarist, is disposing of his interests in a restaurant in New York's Harlem to revive the trio. It was his entrance into the bistro field that broke up the trio. Pianist Roy Branker, who had been carrying on as a single under the Joyce aegis, gives up his solo days, bassist Walter Williams quits the local dance bands.



## Crosby Cuts 16 Chapell Gets 20 Hymns, 8 Pop & **Xmas** Platters

HOLLYWOOD, May 7. - Bing Crosby began a five-day recording spree Friday (6) during which the Groaner is skedded to cut 24 sides for Decca. Series is Crosby's most intensive disking effort since the recording ban was lifted, and will include a group of 16 religious sides, covering hymns of all religious denominations. Sacred songs will be done with backing of the Ken Darby choir, using no ork.

In addition, Der Bingle is waxing six tunes from his forthcoming Paramount films, Top of the Mornin' and Riding High, as well as several new Christmas tunes. Entire disking date, to be supervised by Decca topper Dave Kapp and Coast recording exec Sonny Burke, is skedded to be completed by Wednesday (11). Plattery will not release the religious series in album form, planning instead to press in a manner which will enable buyers to purchase only religious music of their faith. Special exploitation and promotion tie-ups to push the series are in the works.



NEW YORK May 7.-Advance sale of Columbia Records' original-cast South Pacific album is larger than the advance sale which Columbia chalked up on Cole Porter's Kiss Me, Kate score.

No official figures are available, but it is understood that the advance on the Rodgers-Hammerstein opus is already over 30,000. Shipments piano solos and jazz sides spotting will begin Monday (9).

## **'Bride'** Recorders In 6-Hour Spurt

NEW YORK, May 7.-Everybody Kissed the Bride, the Chappell & Company, Inc., tune cleffed by Dick Manning and Jack Wolf, was set with about 20 recording companies Wednesday (4). The entire job was wrapped up by Larry Spier, Chappell general professional manager, in less than six hours—a feat considered almost impossible to accomplish in such a brief time.

The tune has been taken by Victor, Columbia, Capitol, Decca, Mercury, MGM, London and a flock of others, with cutting dates being rapidly scheduled. Victor is slated to do the tune Monday (9) with the Three Suns.

### **Hi-Tone Bowing** Albumette Its

NEW YORK, May 7.-Hi-Tone, the cheap-priced subsidiary label of the Signature diskery, next week will make initial shipments of its new "albumette" envelope series which offers three 10-inch disks for \$1.25. Most of the records in the new series will be drawn from the Signature catalog. The first release will contain 12 "albumettes."

In the release are Ray Block Favorites, Hazel Scott accompanied by Tutti Camaratta's ork; Irish songs spotting such artists as Connie Haines and Larry Douglas; folk songs by Tom Scott; Rhapsody in Blue on two 12-inchers at \$1.25 by Paul Whiteman and his ork; polkas, Westerns, Hawaiian songs, square dances, American waltzes by Ray Block's ork and Eddie Heywood.

## **Cheap Labels' Big Volume Attracts Names for Disking**

business success of cheap-priced, direct sales diskeries like the Hi-Tone Varsity and Spotlite firms has attracted a bevy of top and mediumbracket artists willing to accept either non-royalty or fraction-of-a-cent royalty deals just for the opportunity of drawing a record contract which would give them a crack at some top songs of the day. These firms, whose disks retail at from 35 to 39 cents, have been dependent more on song material than artists' name power for sales incentive.

Only Hi-Tone, the Signature Records owned cheap-priced label, has gone in for the use of some of these names. Hi-Tone a couple of weeks ago announced the absorption of the parent Signature firm's catalog, which included disks by Ray Block, Connie Haines, Johnny Long, Alan Dale and Monica Lewis. It also announced that Johnny Long's crew, Block and Dale would record for Hi-Tone. This week the firm grabbed the veteran Cab Calloway, who for many years etched for the Columbia diskery, as a recording regular. Also virtually set for the label are such vet orksters as Henry Busse, Bobby Byrne, Del Courtney and Sam Donahue. In the discussion stages to join the label are such others as fem flick singing stars Vivian Blaine and Frances Langford and one-time Majestic recording artist Georgia Gibbs.

All of the Hi-Tone artists will draw -at the very most-a fraction of a content with a small flat fee plus standard American Federation of Musicians (AFM) rate expenses. The artists are being proffered at these low rates either personally or via case, both proclaim that they are willing to let the potential of making activities for the New York region.

NEW YORK, May 7 .- The volume money from disks go by the wayside in exchange for being able to draw ome proved hit tunes for recording and for the publicity which could be extracted from the wide co-operative newspaper advertising which the direct sales diskers encourage and use as their leading means of stirring interest in their product.

> Hi-Tone thus far is the only one of the cheap label diskers to go for the names. If the diskery succeeds with these artists, then it is likely that. Varsity and Spotlite both will be forced to give up their unknown talents and accept many of the artists who have been trying in vain to land any kind of a deal with these firms. And the triple-barrelled combination. of a reputable talent, hit song and cheap price could certainly stack up to give the major diskeries a shake for their money in the competition on a current tune.

Varsity, a leader in the cheap-price field, started in business on the basis of imitating the top disking of a hit tune and has stuck to this policy. Only if the diskery breaks this policy will it be able to accept the names, who would offer their own styling rather than the conceptions of the original hitmakers.

## **Burgess Named** For RCA Sales

NEW YORK, May 7.-Jack Burcent royalty, with most being made gess, who served on the RCA Victor a. & r. committee from its inception following the end of the record ban until the recent revamping of the committee (The Billboard, April 30), has been named to a sales post in their booking agencies. In either Victor's Eastern regional offices here. Burgess will direct record sales



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Bali Ha'i (South Pacific)	Williamson	2	6	0	6	5	5	3	8	7	3	0	4	10	133
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## SONGS WITH GREATEST RADIO AUDIENCES (ACD

(Beginning Friday, April 29, 8 a.m., and ending Friday, May 6, 8 a.m.)

Tunes listed have the greatest audiences on programs neard on network stations in New York. Chicago and Los Angeles. List is based upon John G. Peatman's Audience Coverage Index. The index is projected upon radio logs made available to Peatman's ACI by the Accurate Reporting Service in New York, Radio Checking Service in Chicago, Radio Checking Service in Los Angeles. Listed are the top 30 (more in the case of ties) tunes alphabetically. The music checked is preponderantly (over 60 per cent) alive. (F) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legitimate musical;

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Bali Ha'i (M) (R)Chappell-ASCAP
Beyond the Purple Hills (R)
Candy Kisses (R)
Careless Hands (R) Melrose-ASCAP
Cruising Down the River (R) Henry Spitzer-ASCAP
Don't Cry, Cry Baby (R) ASCAP
Everywhere You Go (R) ASCAP
Far Away Places (R)Laurel-ASCAP
Forever and Ever (R)
Havin' a Wonderful Wish (F) (R)Paramount-ASCAP
I Got a Gal in Galveston (R)BMI
it's a Big, Wide, Wonderful World (R) BMI-BMI
Kiss Me Sweet (R)Advanced—ASCAP
Look for the Silver Lining (R) T. B. Harms-ASCAP
Once and for Always (F) (R)Burke & Van Heusen-ASCAP
Powder Your Face With Sunshine (R) Lombardo-ASCAP
Red Roses for a Blue Lady (R) Mills-ASCAP
Riders in the Sky (R)E. H. Morris
So in Love (M) (R) ASCAP
So Tired (R)Glenmore-ASCAP
Some Enchanted Evening (M) (R) Chappell-ASCAP
Someone Like You (R)
Someone To Love (R)BMI
Streets of Laredo (F) (R)Famous-ASCAP
Sunflower (R)
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The Little Old Church Near Leicester Square (R) Oxford-ASCAP
Three Wishes (R)
You Broke Your Promise (R)Pic Music-ASCAP

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3	3.	Chopin's Polonaise
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2		Warsaw Concerto Boston Pops, Arthur Fiedler, conductor; Leo Litwin, pia iist
-	5.	Fiddle Faddle
		Boston Pops, Arthur Fiedler, conductorVictor 10-1397
-	5.	Kol Nidrei Adagio for Cello Op. 47
		G. Piatigorsky, cello, Philadelphia Ork; E. Ormandy, con- ductor
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## **BEST-SELLING RECORD ALBUMS BY CLASSICAL ARTISTS**

Albums listed are those classical and semi-classical albums selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers), according to The Billboard's weekly record dealer survey. Albums are listed according to greatest sales.

21	1	1.	I Can Hear It Now (Five Records) Edward R. Murrow, Narrator
97	4	2.	Rachmaninoff Concerto No. 2 in C Minor (Five Records) Artur Rubinstein, pianist, NBC Ork; Vladimir Gloschmann
25	2	3.	Chopin's Favorites (Three Records) First Piano Quartet
	2	4.	Beethoven: Fifth Symphony (Four Records) NBC Symphony Ork Toscanini, directorVictor DM-640
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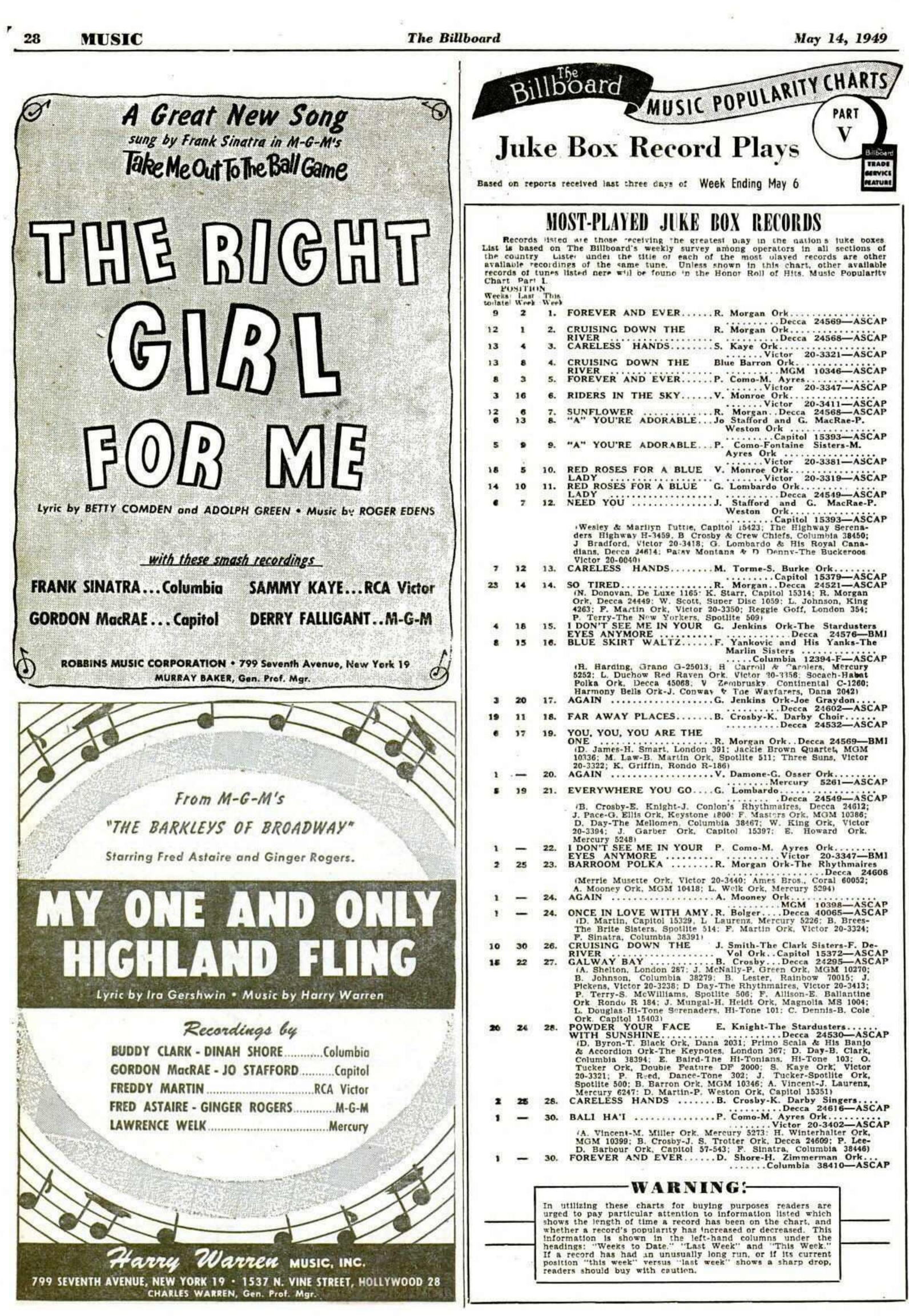
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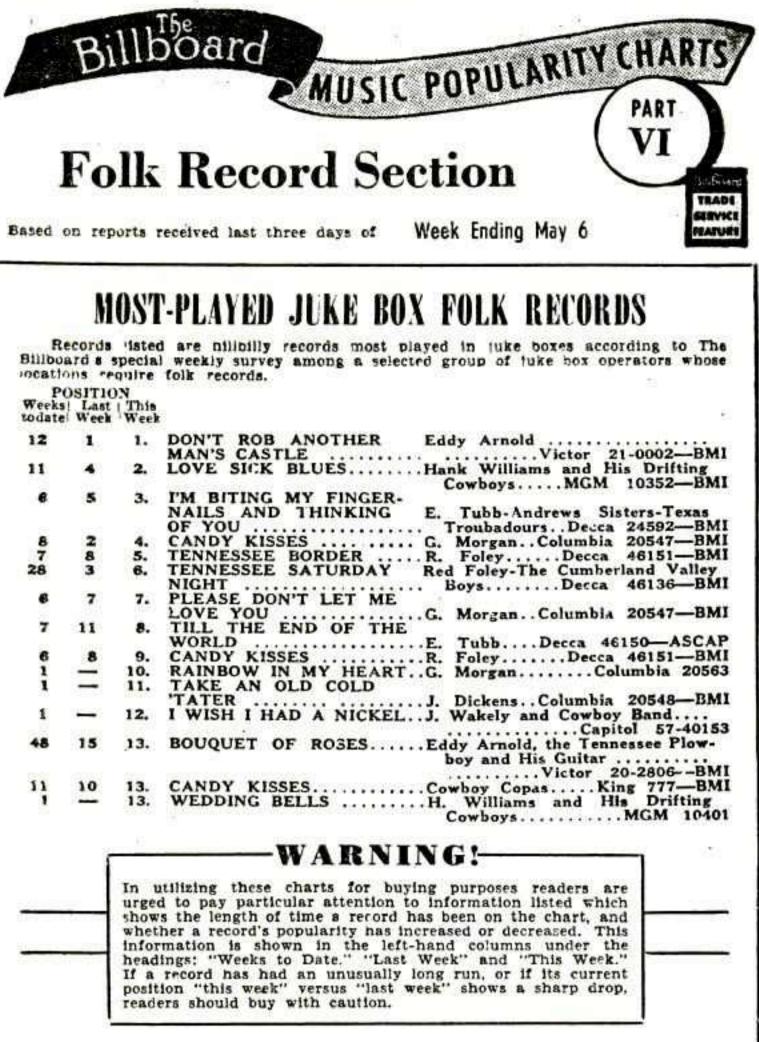
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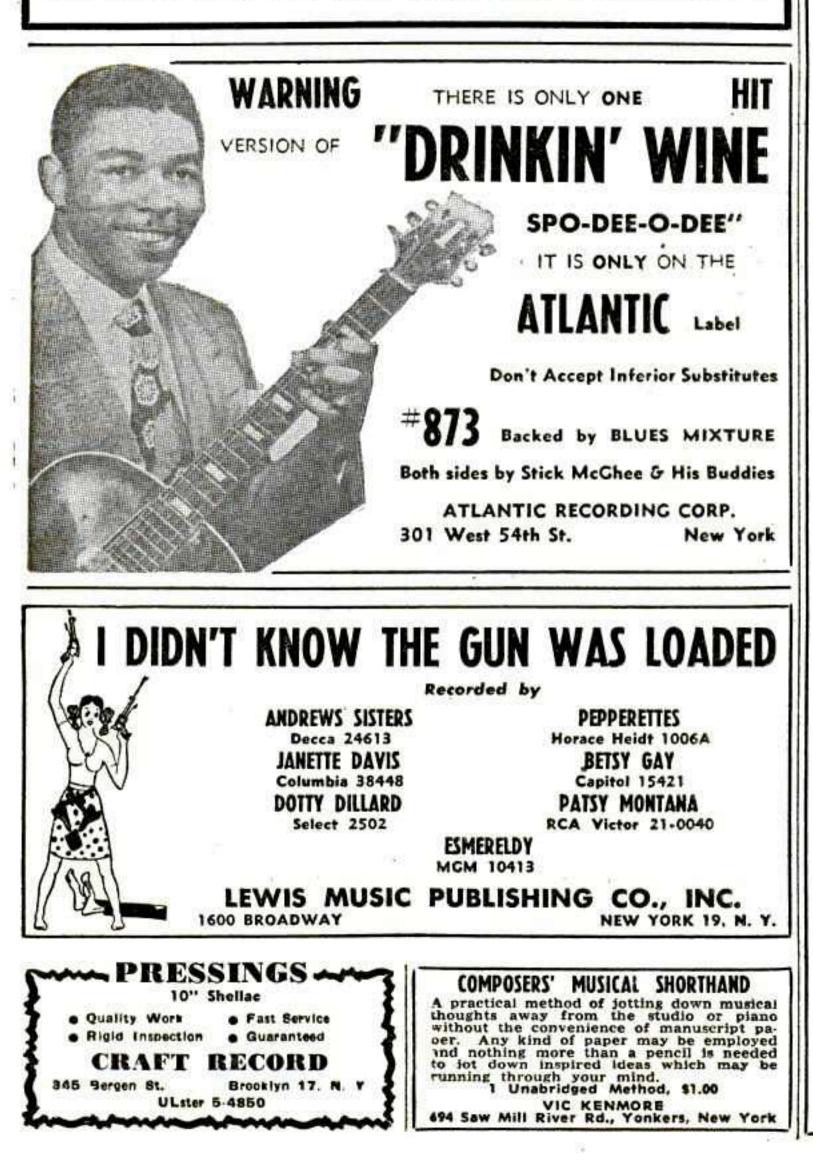


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## FOLK TALENT AND TUNES

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Paul Cohen, of Decca, has inked Kenny Roberts, WLW, Cincinnati, yodeler, formerly with Vitacoustic label, and Jimmy Work, the writer of "Tennessee Border," which he cut originally on Alben, the new Detroit label. . . . Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys (MGM) returned to Wills Point, Sacramento ballroom and park, April 29, following a 15-week tour. During the tour, Bob became ill and spent a month in a Fort Worth hospital, but he is now back fronting the band. Bob has resumed his six-time per week show from the ballroom over KXOA, Sacramento. . . . WLS, Chicago, celebrated the 25th anniversary of its "National Barn Dance" show with a special seven-hour show April 23. Among the former WLS stars who appeared were Sheriff Tom Owens, Bradley Kincaid, Uncle Ezra and Malcolm Clair.

Sally Foster (Decca) has moved from WRNL, Richmond, Va., to WCCO, Minneapolis, where she has her own show daily. Her hubby, Earl Steele, former emsee of many folk music radio shows, is announcing shows for the station. . . . Bill Boyd (Victor) is known as the Cowboy Rambler and is not leader of the Texas Ramblers as was erroneously reported previously. . . . The Lazy H. Ranch Boys (Comar), of WSID, Baltimore, have an hour-long show daily over the station, doubling their previous stint. . . . Hillbilly Park, Newark, O., opens May 15 with the Pleasant Valley Boys. WLW, Cincinnati; the Scioto Valley Boys. WVKO, Columbus, O., who will act as house band for the entire season, and Danny Johnson and his magic act. . . . Jimmy Wakely (Capitol) set for the El Reno (Okla.) Rodeo July 7-9.... When Bill Carlisle (King) departed from WSB, Atlanta, for WNOX, Knoxville, he took Fiddling Sandy with him. Little George Tanner, the steel man, joined Lynn Davis and Molly O'Day (Columbia) at Greensboro, N. C.

Jack Swanson, the Syracuse pubber, has cut his first sides for John Bava's Cozy label. . . . Tex Don and Sally are now at WHEN. the Syracuse video outlet. . . . Johnny Henderson, the singing d.j. at KGBS, Harlingen, Tex., has cut sides for the new High Time label.... The 101 Ranch Boys (Columbia) at WSBA, York, Pa., will one-night to the Coast this fall, with their agent, Bill Ellsworth, of Chicago, dickering for a picture for the group at Republic with Rex Allen (Mercury). . . . Fairley Holden (King) has moved from WGST, Atlanta, to WHIS, Bluefield, W. Va. . . . Jack Kennedy, pianist with Ben Christian's outfit (4 Star), reports that Walter Colburn and Biffie Collie, both Houston platter pilots, are co-operating to stage personals by top recording artists in their vicinity. During the past few months, they have put on 29 shows by touring folk artists. . . . Buddy Duhon, vocalist with Cliff Bruner's group, drowned recently while on a fishing trip. He left a wife and three children. . . . The Georgia Crackers (Victor) are now doing a six-time-per-week show from WHKC, Columbus, O., over the MBS web at 11:30 a.m. (EDST). . . . Wiley Birchfield, banjo, has rejoined the Sauceman Brothers, WIBK and WROL, Knoxville, artists who wax for Mercury.

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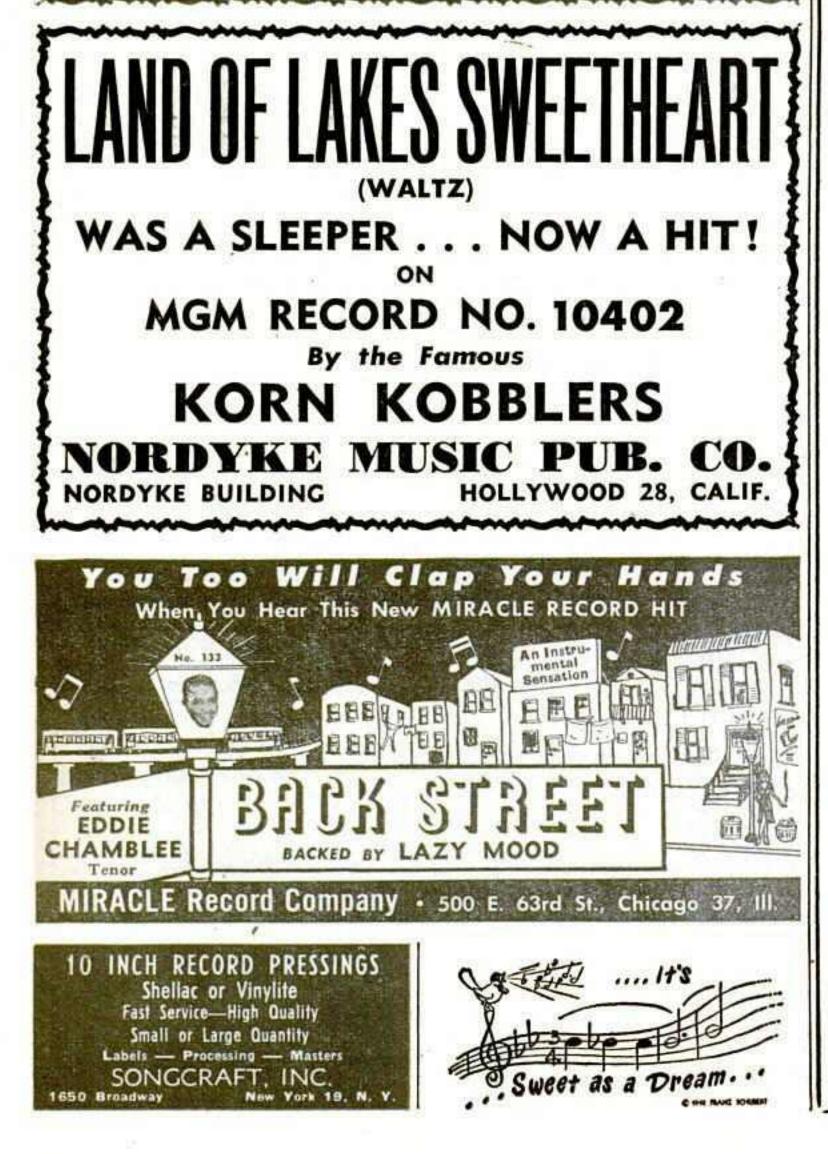




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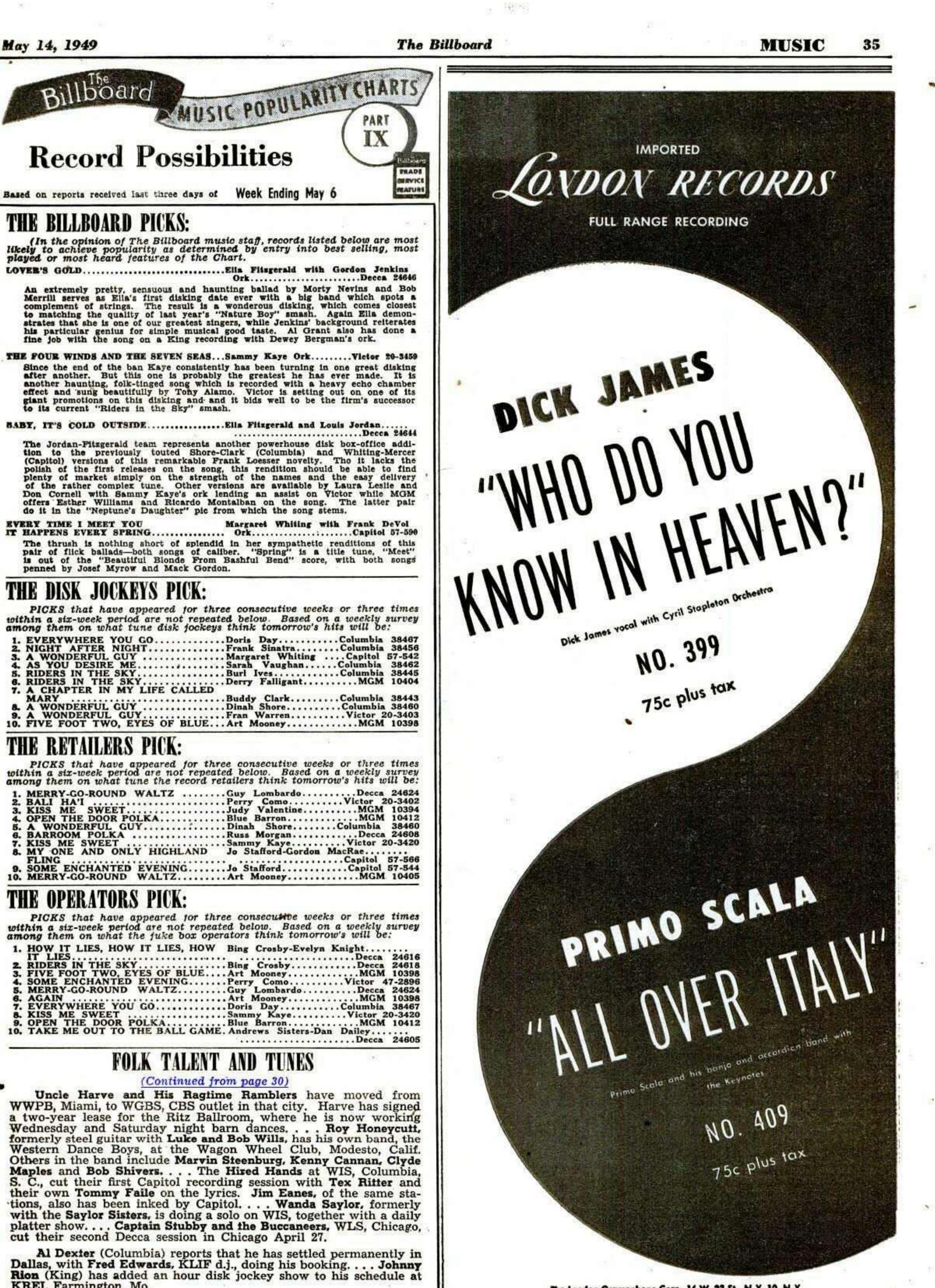
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Close Your Eyes Rocco does nicely war- bling and at the key- board in a light, easy performance in beguine tempo, well backed by a small combo. Good club stuff, but commercial wax appeal is dubious. Why Does It Have To Be Me? Like flip, pleasant, but same doubt applies as to sales potential. 666665- 6665-	-65 JUNE CHRISTY (Capitol 57-578) Everything Happens to Me Ork of progressive jazz- men plays weird disson- ances behind thrush as she does a reasonably straight vocal on the pop. "A" for effort, but whatever they were try- ing to do didn't quite happen.
BENNY GOODMAN ORK (Capitol 57-576) The Huckle-Buck 838382- Tune is well worth name- band recordings, of which Benny's is among the first. Swings along easily,	84 The Way You Look Tonight 70746965 Miss Christy scats the oldie in bop style, and quite creditably. Here the ork bops in back, and the vocal and orking match.
with the feature a great Wardell Gray tenor solo. Should be good for plenty coln. That Wonderful Girl of Mine 818180- Tune, adapted from a familiar Yiddish folk melody, gets an attrac- tive vocal from Buddy Greco. Backing, in be- beguine tempo, makes the right mood.	job of a Roy Acuff hill- billy moralizer. Boys do it up brown in pseudo- country style, with ork thumping out a three- quarter time German band backing.
TOMMY TUCKER TIME (Columbia 38478) That Old Sweetheart of Mine 6060- Nothing happens here, despite a big production effort with vocal chorus by Tucker, Don Brown	60 A New Shade of Blues Warbler Dick Noel sings superbly on this bluesy, sophisticated ballad. Style is modern, in the Eckstine manner, voice is rich and warm. Ork backs with subtlety and color.
and ensemble, plus a recitation section. Scalawag Happier results here, as the singers and ork do a light bounce treat- ment of an easy little rhythm tune. 747474	74 FRANK WOOLLEY ORK (Fine Arts FA 1002) Legend of the Roses 75767574 Opening with a big, Jamesian trumpet cho- rus, side has a fine vocal job by Bobby Doyle and big-league ork sound.
DONALD RICHARDS (Mercury 5289) Younger Than Springtime Rich, legit-voiced war- bling of a fine "South Pacific" ballad. Jimmy Carroll's orking is fine. This Nearly Was Mine Pretty waltz from the show gets the same ro-	70 Tune, dedicated to Pasa- dena, tells an interesting story, but is probably too parochial. The Monkey and the Organ Grinder (Merry Macs) Cute organ-grinder song
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Smiles . . . Col 38427 Three O'Clock in the Morning . . . Col 38425 Till We Meet Again . . . Col 38424 Please Love Me Tonight P. Lee (Riders in) Capitol 57-608 Popcorn Polka E. Edell Four-V. Garry (I Want) A Superb SR-603 **Pretty Eyes** B. Butler-Len McCall Ork (Can You) Gotham G-179 Rain or Shine G. Carroll-P. Sands' Ork (You're Heartless) Dance-Tone 1133 Remember J. Gould (Avalon) Regent 155 **Riders** in the Sky P. Lee (Please Love) Capitol 57-608 Room Full of Roses D. Haymes (A Chapter) Dec 24632 Sari Waltz J. Gould (My Wonderful) Regent 156 St. Bernard Waltz Ames Brothers (Oh, You) Coral 60065 Semper Paratus P. Reed (Dress Parade) Dance-Tone 324 She Didn't Have a Tooth in Her Head A. Trace Ork (He Kissed) Regent 146 Should I Have Kissed Her? R. Laurence-P. Garrett-L. Becker (Alfonzo) Dana 2045 Singing in the Rain M. Kellner Ork (Let a) Regent 151 J Stafford-D. Lambert-P. Weston Ork (Jolly Jo) Cap 57-604 The Best Dressed Cowboy in the West P. Reed (Don't Call) Dance-Tone 322 The Best Dressed Cowboy in the West S. Tepper-R. Brodsky-P. Sands Ork (I Love) Dance-Tone 1132 The Hucklebuck F. Sinatra (It Happens) Columbia 38486 The Kissing Tree P. Reed (Every Time) Dance-Tone 320 The Lesson of Love R. Blake (The Old) Cap 57-40163 The Old Rugged Cross R. Blake (The Lesson) Cap 57-40163 The Way to Love P. Marshall-Holidays-J. Stone Ork (He's a) Rainbow 10071 Three O'Clock in the Morning J. Gould (La Golondrina) Regent 157 Three Wishing Wells O. Bradley Ork (I Couldn't) Collegiate 2965 Tico Tico L. Baxter Trio (Night and) Discovery 504 Time on My Hands B. Eckstine (I Love) National 9030 Too Blue to Care P. Reed (My Palomino) Dance-Tone 326 Trambulanka C. Lucas (Hurry! Hurry!) Columbia 12407-E Wha! Hopp'n E. Edell Four-V. Garry (I Don't) A Superb SR-600 What You Think You Got-You Had P. Reed (You're Mine) Dance-Tone 325 (Continued on page 127)

lively dances, a love song-what we have here is nicely variegated smorgasbord. Gould serves it up robustly. Should be a wide market for this kind of thing-familiar, much-loved melodies, easy to digest. and conducted by the popular Mr. Gould. Nothing subtle or fancy-but it's commercial. JUKES JOCKS Not suitable. Should get plenty spins on the light airers. FLAT MAJOR, OP. 20 ALBUM 72 CHAUSSON: SYMPHONY IN B--Minneapolis Symphony Ork-Dimitri Mitropoulos, Dir. Columbia MM-825 Ernest Chausson, the French contemporary and pupil of Franck, was not a prolific

# **Programing Key** Jockey Dreams Up Of Miller's Talk Earthquake Which

WASHINGTON, May 7.-President Justin Miller, of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB), will stress good programing as a key to stable economy in the broadcast industry in a talk before the first NAB Program Directors' Clinic in Chicago June 27-29. Miller, the NAB announced this week, will emphasize that "programs mean audience and audience means income and economic stability."

Harold Fair, director of the NAB's program department, said the clinic is attracting so much interest that the original ceiling of 400 delegates is being raised to accommodate numerous others who are signifying a wish to attend the three-day meeting. The site of the "shirt-sleeve" sessions for program execs from radio stations all over the nation will be the downtown Chicago campus of Northwestern University.

NAB Prexy Miller will be among several broadcast leaders and other authorities slated to address the sessions on a wide range of topics, including programing for sales, news, utilization of music, copyright prob-

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60 BUM-Bob Hannon-Jerry Sears Ork (4-10")

Mercury MMP-5DM Idea here is to teach children appreciation of good music by offering popular classic melodies with new lyries about the child's world. If this will teach them to appreciate the good music, it may also teach them to appreciate bad lyrics. Altho the music is especially well-chosen, the lyrics are completely lacking in charm, are clumsily constructed, and often mis-matched to the music. Words and music are printed in the booklet that comes with the set. Singing and orking are good. Many of these same selections in instrumental versions are favorites with children. JOCKS JUKES

Can do better.

Shakes Him Loose

Not suitable.

NEW YORK, May 7.-Disk jockey Bob McKee pulled an Orson Welles Sunday night (1) and got himself canned.

McKee, doing his platter stint over a Jackson, Miss., station, interrupted a record to announce: "The moon is falling into the sun. The entire Mississippi River basin has been declared a danger area. Earthquakes are expected."

Tho McKee, like his illustrious predecessor in pranks, prefaced the show with an announcement that the program was fictitious, his jape threw listeners into a panic. A preacher stopped Sunday services and sent the congregation home to warn neighbors. Several girls in the local YWCA went hysterical. Anxious citizens deluged the station, the weather bureau and newspaper offices with calls.

McKee was immediately suspended by Station Manager James Ownby, and fired in the morning.

gram promotion, research as a program tool, farm service programing, planning for television, experimental programing, disk jockey program lems, public interest features, pro- structures, special events and sports.

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### May 14, 1949

The Milles

#### MUSIC 37

## MUSIC-AS WRITTEN

#### New York:

Thrush Lorry Raine is appearing at the Hotel Sheraton, Detroit. Saul Soldinger has joined arranger Jimmy Evans as business manager for the Mack Music Company in Detroit. . . . BMI got the MDS rack order for "It's a Big, Wide, Wonderful World" last week.

Pete Viera, former orchestra leader, and Rita Phelan teamed up this week as a piano-organ duo under the name of Hands of Harmony, debuting at the annual banquet of the Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners. John S. Kaplan, manager of Pan American Record Distributors, and Marion Reid, former branch manager for King Records, are honeymooning in Palm Springs, Hollywood and Mexico.

Leonard Feather leased four sides cut by Serge Chaloff to Main Stem bop group. . . . Eddie Shu is joining Lionel Hampton as a ventriloquist and harmonica act and will double tenor in the road section. . . . The Colman Hawkins became parents of a boy last week. . . . Gene Di Novi, pianistarranger with Chubby Jackson, married dancer Patsy McNeil last week . . Walter Gil Fuller is rehearsing a 16-piece band. . . . Bobby Byrne's ork goes into the Strand Friday (27).... Joe Davis re-signed blues warbler-guitarist Gabriel Brown prior to return to cutting race platters. . . . The Johnny Hollywood: Bond ork, with thrush Rosemary Calvin handling vocals, is at the Pelham Heath Inn.

Atlantic Records threw a cocktail party at the Coq Rouge recently to introduce its "This Is My Beloved" album, with the writer, Walter Benton; the composer, Vernon Duke, and the conductor, Lehman Engel. were guests of honor. . . . Cork O'Keefe has signed Mercury Records thrush Anne Vincent to a personal management pact. . . . Steve Sholes was on a recording junket for Victor last week, cutting polka and folk sides in Chicago, Nashville and Knoxville. . . . The Kappi Jordan-Selma Rich flackery signed Art Mooney.... Trumpeter Al Procino replaced Red Rodney in the Woody Herman ork.

Orkster Sonny Dunham filed in bankruptcy last week. . . . Tenorman Arnett Cobb is out of the hospital after a long illness and is expected to be back fronting a band shortly. . . . Shedd McWilliams quit as recording director for Spotlite Records. . . . Bess Berman, Apollo Records prexy, is on a two-week vacation in the Poconos. . . . Eddie Durham is music director for the recently organized Manhattan Records, specializing in race platters. . . . Larry Clinton cut his first post-ban sides for Victor Wednesday (4).... Sam Goody is handling distribbing of Hi-Tone platters to juke box ops for the Metropolitan area. . . . Sylvan Spiro has resigned as contact man for Les Brown's pubbery. . . . Thrush Eve Young joined the Gulf Road Show on WNBT-TV.... Robert O'Brien is resigning as Eastern purchasing agent and office manager for Capitol Records here to take over the Haynes-Griffin Music Shop, which he recently purchased. . . . The First Piano Quartet gives its first New York recital at Carnegie Saturday (14). . . Circle Records is sponsoring a bash by the **Bob Wilber** ork at Carl Fischer Hall Saturday (21). . . . Sarah Vaughan begins three weeks at the Casbah

soring its second deejay seg, buying a half hour of the Willie Bryant-Ray Carroll show on WHOM. Distribbery made the move following the success of time bought on Bill Cook's WAAT show. Firm is said to be the only indie distributor advertising its labels on a deejay show.

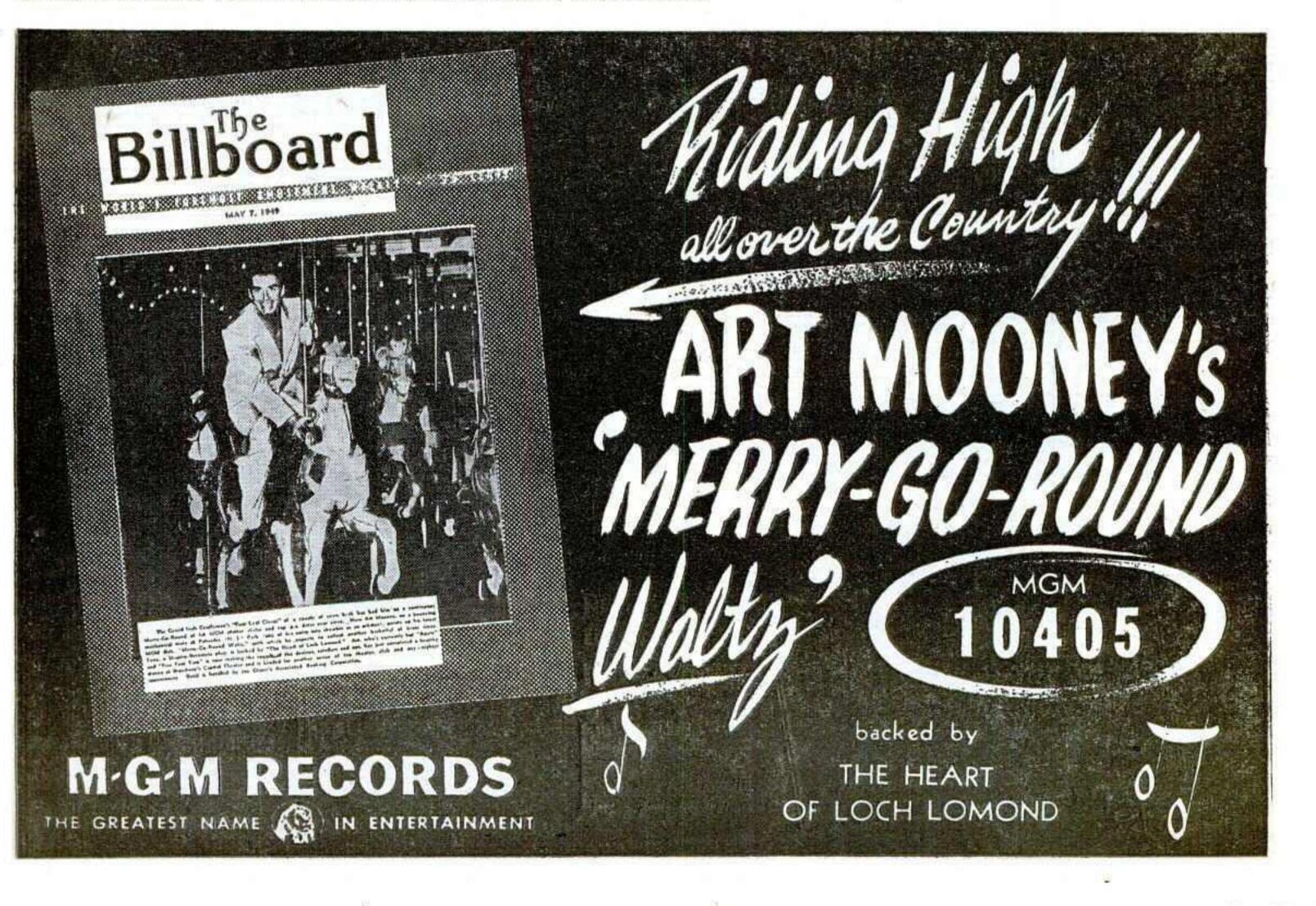
#### Chicago:

Griff Williams's Ork, which cut on the old Sonora label, has been inked to a Tower recording pact. Dick Bradley will cut the band this week on four tunes. . . . Eddy O'Neill, pianist with Dorothy Shay, is leaving the "Park Avenue Hillbilly" to organize his own ork. The 13-piece society ork will open at the Empire Room of the Palmer House July 14. . . . Jimmy Palmer, the GAC orkster, is marrying Chicago model Sunny Anderson in Houston. . . . Jack Owens is collaborating with orkster Larry Fotine in writing some new tunes. Owens has a number of hits to his credit, while Fotine is the writer of "You Were Only Foolin'." . . . Lou Busch, hubby of star Janet Blair, has taken a public relations job with Capitol Records' Coast office. . . . Russ Morgan set for the Mark Hopkins Hotel, San Francisco, August 6 for six weeks.

Pete Kameron, who managed Specialty Records music pub subsids for Art Rupe, has moved to Hill & Range to head the firm's race department. Paul Martin's ork, which recently joined the talent roster of Exclusive Records, opens a five-week run at Tommy Dorsey's Casino Gardens, Ocean Park, Calif. . . . Rudolph Schaffer, former Capitol Scranton plant production manager, has been promoted to head the diskery's Los Angeles plant. ... Testimonial dinner tossed for Mack Stark gave the Mills Music general manager his first opportunity to meet some of the tunesmiths with whom he has worked. Stark visited the Coast for the first time in 14 years. Those attending the testimonial included George Jessel, who served as toastmaster; Ruby Cowan, Sidney Clare, Jimmy McHugh, Mack Gordon, Joe Myrow, Harry Warren, Ted Snyder, Harry Ruby, Gus Arnheim, Ted Koehler, Larry Shae, Jesse Kaye, Ben Selvin, Ben Oakland, Harold Arlen, Sonny Burke, and Jack, Irving and Paul Mills.

Capitol Songs bought the copyright to "Philadelphia Lawyer" from Four Star Records. Latter firm first released it on wax with the Maddox Brothers and Rose. Tennessee Ernie cut it for Capitol. . . . Jimmy McHugh, always a first nighter at Cocoanut Grove, went longhair, skipping the Frankie Laine, bow to make the opening of the Met Opera. . . . Accordionist Milton DeLugg, long-time arranger for Matty Malneck and founder of the AAF "Swing Wing" during the war, has joined Malneck's combo on the "Duffy Tavern" air show. . . . Bert Shefter's album, "American Caricatures," will be released on MGM wax in early June, marking the cleffer's initial disk book under the plattery's banner. . . . Ruth Gillette, recently seen in Broadway in a series of musical comedy revivals and onetime voicer on Al Jolson's "Shell Chateau" air show, has been inked for three productions during the forthcoming season of the St. Louis Municipal

in Hollywood Tuesday (10). . . . The Major Distributing Company is spon- Opera.



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TRADE FEATUR

#### May 14, 1949



## The Honor Roll of **Popular Songwriters**

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## NO. 19-ERNEST R. BALL

### By Jack Burton

Few if any music publishers ever | each and achieved something close made a better investment than the Witmarks did when they hired Ernest Ball as a staff pianist at \$20 a week. Even the members of the firm did not realize what a bargain they were getting when they first interviewed this modest, unassuming young man and found his qualifications satisfactory but not unusual. Briefly, this was his background for the job:

Born in Cleveland, July 21, 1878. Graduate of the Cleveland Conservatory of Music. Taught piano at the age of 13 to earn money to complete his musical education. Professional experience limited to six months as a relief piano player at Keith's Union Square Theater, a New York vaudeville house.

But three years later, when Ernest Ball's (with Jimmy Walker) Will You Love Me in December as You Do in May? was listed among the best selling ballads of 1905 and the \$20-aweek investment started to pay handsome dividends, the Witmarks concluded they had a potential genius in their demonstrating rooms who could compose better tunes than most of the numbers he was plugging. Consequently, they promoted him from staff pianist to staff composer, signed him to a 20-year contract and watched him develop into one of the great ballad writers of all time, while the money kept rolling in. During the next two decades Ball averaged at least one outstanding hit annually and supplied Chauncey Olcott with a repertoire of songs that packed theaters wherever the famous Irish tenor appeared. He composed six ballads by my success, attempted to find the that sold better than 1,000,000 copies reason. In my earlier efforts I was learned to their surprise that their sang them.

to musical immortality: Love Me and the World Is Mine, Till the Sands of the Desert Grow Cold, Mother Machree, When Irish Eyes Are Smiling; Good-Bye, Good Luck, God Bless You, and Let the Rest of the World Go By.

The enduring popularity of Ernest Ball's ballads is due primarily to the fact that their composer was a sentimentalist who aimed his songs at the most vulnerable of targets—the hearts of the people. Moreover, he discovered a success formula early in his career and stuck to it religiously, specializing on ballads whereas most of his fellow songwriters ranged all over the field of popular music.

#### **His Lyricists**

"When Jimmy Walker handed me the lyrics for Will You Love Me in December as You Do in May? I carried the crumpled bits of paper, on which the words were written in my pocket for two months," Ball told a writer for The American Magazine back in 1923. "At odd moments I tried to picture a once golden-haired girl and her sweetheart both grown gray with the years, and I kept asking myself, 'Did they still love each other now that youth and beauty had fled?' Bit by bit, I finally worked out a tune that seemed to fit the sentiment Jimmy was trying to express. Much to my surprise, I woke up one morning to find that I had written a song that was being sung from one end of the country to the other.

Brief biographies of the great writers of popular music, complete with . . .

- CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF THEIR GREATEST SONGS
- PUBLISHERS (Where no publisher listed, song is in public domain)
- BACKGROUND DATA ON SELECTED SONGS
- MAJOR LABEL RECORDINGS AVAILABLE ON SONGS

This anthology of American popular music, which covers mainly a 60year period from 1890 to the present day, is based on 20 years of research by the author, a former newspaper magazine and advertising copy writer who has made the study of popular music his hobby.

This anthology, does not attempt to list the complete output of these Instead the song listing is restricted to those titles that have writers. gained either top ranking or appreciable popularity.

In the musical comedy and film musical fields, however, the complete scores will be listed in order to provide something new and vitally needed in an anthology of this kind: A comprehensive record of stage and motion picture songs.

Songs are listed according to the date of their original copyright, the stage musical songs according to the year such musicals were produced and the film songs according to the year of their public release.

All songs that have attained a sheet music sale of a million or more copies, according to the most authentic and unbiased records available, are marked with an asterisk (\*).

In the publisher listing, the name of the present publisher, and not the original publisher, is given, and songs now in the public domain (titles first copyrighted in 1892 or before) have no publisher credit.

In the listing of song recordings no so-called collector's items are given, and while such a list is representative, it makes no pretensions of being complete.

leading industrialist was the author determined to write hits and came up with flops. With December and May, of the film's title song. however, I simply tried to write a song from my own heart to the people's hearts. Then and there I decided I would write honestly and sincerely of the human emotions-the things folks generally knew about and were vitally interested in."

Ernest Ball also had the good fortune to work with lyricists who were in sympathy with his success formula. These included Dave Reed Jr., Arthur Lamb, Rida Johnson Young; Paul Laurence Dunbar, the eminent Negro poet, and Caro Roma, the composer of Can't You Hear Me Calling Caroline. His greatest hits, however, were written in collaboration with George Graff Jr., a business man who wrote lyrics as a pastime, and J. Kiern Brennan, who punched cows in Texas and panned gold in the Klondike be-

Like many of the other leading songwriters of his generation, Ernest Ball became a headline attraction in vaudeville theaters from Coast to Coast, and it was in a variety house in Santa Ana, Calif., on May 3, 1927, 🔨 that he answered his final curtain call both literally and figuratively. He suffered a heart attack soon after completing his act, the finale of which was a medley of his best known ballads in which Good-Bye, Good Luck, God Bless You was included. He died in his dressing room a half hour later.

When the news of Ernest Ball's passing reached New York, John Mc-Cormack, the celebrated Irish tenor, paid him this tribute:

"Then I sat down and, a bit puzzled

"Ernie Ball is not dead. He will live forever in his songs."

The years have proved the accuracy fore discovering pay dirt in Tin Pan of this prophecy beyond question. Alley. Incidentally, Graff, who quit Ernest Ball's ballads have become songwriting about a quarter century standard numbers, timeless in their ago, had to confess to a colorful past appeal. His Irish songs are a must in only recently when the movie, When the repertoire of Phil Regan and Irish Eyes Are Smiling, was released Morton Downey today just as they and the residents of the Pennsylvania were a half century ago when Chauntown where his factory is located cey Olcott and Fiske O'Hara first

 $\star$   $\star$  ERNEST BALL'S BEST KNOWN SON GS AND RECORDINGS AVAILABLE  $\star$   $\star$ 

All copyrights on Ernest Ball's music are held by M. Witmark & Sons, the original publishers. Popular Songs 1904—IN THE SHADOW OF THE PYRAMIDS Lyrics by Cecil Mack. Sung by Mae Irwin in "Miss Black Is	WHEN MARY SMILES Lyrics by Leo J. Curly. TO THE END OF THE WORLD WITH YOU Lyrics by Dave Reed and George Graff. WHEN THE SUMMER DAYS ARE GONE Lyrics by Leo J. Curly. ALL FOR THE LOVE OF YOU Lyrics by Dave Reed.	1918—DEAR LITTLE BOY OF MINE Lyrics by J. Kiern Brennan. (Available on Decca record No. 24007 in album A-1918, Ray Benson's Orehes- tra.) WHO KNOWS Lyrics by Paul Laurence Dunbar. 1919—OLET THE REST OF THE WORLD GO BY	and orchestra; RCA Victor No. 10-1279, Christopher Lynch with orchestra; RCA Victor No. 1293, John Mac- Cormack; RCA Victor No. P(27772) in Album P-89, RCA Victor Male Chorus and Tenor Solo; RCA Vic- tor No. M(11-9399) in Album M-1090, James Melton with orchestra; RCA Victor No. P(20-1805) in Album P-158,
Back." <b>1905</b> —WILL YOU LOVE ME IN DECEMBER AS YOU DO IN MAY? Lyrics by James J. Walker. While Jimmy Walker wrote several other songs, this ballad was his one big hit and served as the musical theme for the major events in his spectacular career. His share of the royalties, which totaled \$10,000, put Jimmy thru law school. Lyrics endeared him to Janet Al- len, a young soubrette with whom he fell in love, and in 1912 the song was their wedding march. In 1926, when Jimmy first took office as mayor of New York, the ballad was his "Hail to the Chief," and for the next nine years the song followed the spotlight in which he basked as a politician, after-dinner speaker and champion of Father Knickerbocker's way of life. It was his song of welcome, too, in 1935 when he returned to the city he personified from a self-imposed exile in France, and when he died in 1946, "Will You Love Me in December as You Do in May?" was played and sung as Jimmy Walker's requiem on radio programs that paid tribute to his memory. (Available on Decca record No. 18552 in	<ul> <li>1910—YOUR LOVE MEANS THE WORLD TO ME Lyrics by Darl MacBoyle.</li> <li>MY HEART HAS LEARNED TO LOVE YOU NOW, DO NOT SAY GOOD-BYE Lyrics by Dave Reed.</li> <li>1911—*TILL THE SANDS OF THE DESERT GROW COLD Lyrics by George Graff. (Available on RCA Victor record No. P(20-2099) in Album P-171, Wayne King and his orchestra.)</li> <li>1913—ON A GOOD OLD-TIME STRAW RIDE Lyrics by Dave Reed. Ernest Ball wrote this song under the pseudonym of Georgie Christie.</li> <li>1914—AFTER THE ROSES HAVE FADED AWAY Lyrics by Bessie Buchanan. YOU PLANTED A ROSE IN THE GARDEN OF LOVE Lyrics by J. Will Callahan.</li> <li>1915—IRELAND IS IRELAND TO ME Lyrics by Fiske O'Hara and J. Kiefn Brennan. SHE'S THE DAUCHTER OF MOTHER MACHREE Lyrics by J. Kiern Brennan. IN THE GARDEN OF THE CODS Lyrics by J. Kiern Brennan.</li> </ul>	Lyrics by J. Kiern Brennan. (Available on the following records: Decca No. 23753, Dick Haymes with orchestra; Decca No. 24009 in Album A-1919, Ted Stracter's orchestra.) 1920—DOWN THE TRAIL TO HOME SWEET HOME 1921—I'LL FORGET YOU Lyrics by Annelu Burns. SALOON Lyrics by George Whiting. In signing this song of conviviality Ernest Ball gave his name a Serutan switch and credited it to Roland E. Llab, which is "Ball" spelled backward. (Available on the following records: Capitol No. 420, Jerry Colonna and His San Fernando Valley Pals; Columbia No. 36940 in Set C-115, Beatrice Kay and the Elm City Four; Decca No. 23854 in Album A-492, Evelyn Knight with orchestra.) 1922—DOWN THE WINDING ROAD OF DREAMS Lyrics by Margaret Cantwell. 1923—OUT THERE IN THE SUNSHINE WITH YOU Lyrics by J. Kiern Brennan. TEN THOUSAND YEARS FROM NOW Lyrics by J. Kiern Brennan.	Dennis Day with orchestra; Decca No. 23802 in Album A-508, Phil Regan with orchestra.) I LOVE THE NAME OF MARY Lyrics by George Graff. (Available on Decca record No. 4237 in Album A-292, Phil Regan with Jesse Crawford at console.) IN THE SUNSHINE OF YOUR LOVE WILD ROSE MY LAND 1912—ISLE OF DREAMS Book and lyrics by Rida Johnson Young. THE CALLING OF THE SEA ISLE OF DREAMS <sup>9</sup> WHEN IRISH EYES ARE SMILING Lyrics by Chauncey Olcott and George Graff Jr. (Available on the following records: RCA Victor No. 788, John McCormack with orchestra; RCA Victor No. P(27771) in Album P-89, RCA Victor Male Chorus and tenor solo; RCA Victor No. P(20-1803) in Album P-153, Dennis Day with orchestra; Decca No. 23803 in Al- bum A-508, Phil Regan with orchestra; Decca No. 23788 in Album A-495, Bing Crosby with orchestra; Decca No. 12053, Bradley Kincaid and his guitar; Colum-
Album A-354, the Knickerboeker Sere- naders.) 1906—‡LOVE ME AND THE WORLD IS MINE Lyrics by Dave Reed. 1907—AS LONG AS THE WORLD ROLLS ON Lyrics by George Graff. WHEN SWEET MARIE WAS SWEET SIXTEEN Lyrics by Ramon Moore, the famous minstrel tenor. WHEN THE BIRDS IN GEORGIA SING OF TENNESSEE Lyrics by Arthur J. Lamb.	ME	1924—WEST OF THE CREAT DIVIDE Lyrics by George Whiting. (Available on Decca record No. 24081 in Album A-1924, Bob Grant's Orchestra.) 1927—ROSE OF KILLARNEY Lyrics by William Davidson. Chauncey Olcott Musicals 1910—BARRY OF BALLYMORE Book and lyrics by Rida Johnson Young.	bia No. 4505-M, Christopher Lynch with flute and harp accompaniment; Co- lumbia No. 35493 in Set C-16, Morton Downey with orchestra; Columbia No. 37138 in Set C-116, Kate Smith with orchestra.) KATHLEEN AROON MOTHER MACHREE 1914—THE HEART OF PADDY WHACK Book and lyrics by Rachel Crothers. A BROTH OF A BOY THE HEART OF PADDY WHACK WHO KNOWS
1906-IN THE CARDEN OF MY HEART Lyrics by Caro Roma.	Lyrics by Al Dubin. MY SUNSHINE JANE Lyrics by J. Klern Brownet	*MOTHER MACHREE (Available on the following records: BCA Wheter No. 1805, Bichard Crocks	A LITTLE BIT OF HEAVEN



## SONGWRITERS **COMING UP!**

May 21 Issue J. ROSAMUND JOHNSON In Issues Subsequent to May 21 The Billboard Will Present IRVING BERLIN CHRIS SMITH AL PIANTADOSI **GUSTAV LUDERS** THEODORE MORSE EGBERT VAN ALSTYNE SILVIO HEIN

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. . . And others

(Available on the following records: Columbia No. 35979, Harry James; Columbia No. 37137 in Set C-116, Kate Smith with orchestra; RCA Victor No. P(27769) in Album P-89, RCA Victor Male Chorus and tenor solo; RCA Victor No. P(20-1894) in Album P-153, Dennis Day with orchestra: Decca No. 23488, in Album A-413, Felix Knight and Alexander Chorus; Decca No. 23801 in Album A-508, Phil Regan with orchestra; Columbia No. 4507-M, Christopher Lynch with piano accompaniment; Columbia No. 4277-M, John Carter with piano accompaniment.)

#### 1915—MACUSHLA

Also billed as "Pulse of My Heart, Book and lyrics by Rida Johnson Young. THAT'S HOW THE SHANNON FLOWS MACUSHLA ASHORE PULSE OF MY HEART TIS AN IRISH GIRL I LOVE AND SHE'S

**JUST LIKE YOU** (Available on Decca record No. 4238 in Album A-292, Phil Regan with Jesse Crawford at console.) I'LL MISS YOU, OLD IRELAND ERNEST BALL ALBUMS-RCA VICTOR NO. M-1109 Blanche Thebom, mezzo-soprano, with erchestra. "Mother Machree," "Love Me and the World Is Mine," "Dear Little Boy of Mine," "I'll Forget You."

## Waxeries Vie for "Pacific" **Platter Leadership; MGM** Cuts 3; All Other Majors, 8

in the history of the disk business will center around the myriad etchings of the score of the smash hit Rodgers-Hammerstein South Pacific. Every major waxery, with the exception of MGM Records, has sliced at least eight of the tunes from the show and five of them will be marketing albums containing selections from the show. Never in recent recall has there been more than two albums on a single show score marketed at one time. (Most recent example is the Kiss Me. Kate smash which drew a Columbia original cast album and a Capitol package which spotted Gordon MacRae and Jo Stafford.)

Columbia Records, which snagged the original cast rights to the show some months ago, now is readying its seven 10-inch disk package for the market. The diskery claims a prerelease order in excess of 50,000 packages, with one-third of these confined to the firm's long-playing etching.

But Columbia will draw album and LP competition from the Decca, Capitol, Mercury and Varsity firms. Decca last week announced that it would issue a South Pacific album containing eight selections done by Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye, Evelyn Knight and Ella Fitzgerald. These sides also will be available as singles.

#### **Cap Enters Race**

Capitol now is ready to release its own entry in the show album sweepstakes with Pacific sides by Gordon MacRae, Margaret Whiting, Dave Barbour's ork, Peggy Lee and Frank DeVol's ork. The firm already has issued six sides containing the top six Kallen, Shore), Happy Talk (DeVol, tunes from the show by Jo Stafford Kallen, Young, Fitzgerald), Honey self carries most of the load, and the and Misses Lee and Whiting. The Cap Bun (Moreno, Danny Kaye, DeVol), South Pacific, like Decca's, will house There's Nothing Like a Dame (Kaye, eight sides with nine tunes. Mercury was reported ready to pro- (Knight, Whiting, Young).

NEW YORK, May 7 .- Perhaps one | cess an LP disking containing seof the most provocative competitions lections from the Rodgers-Hammerstein hit by Donald Richards, Ann Vincent, Kitty Kallen, John Laurenz and others. These artists' interpretations also are available on the label's singles.

> Varsity, the cheap-priced label, is reportedly planning an envelope package which will probably contain six sides. The label's standard nonname talent will do the package, but it will probably sell for \$1.25 for the six-sider. Also a probability at Varsity is an eight-sides hard-cover album which would sell at about \$2.00.

### **RCA's Singles**

Victor Records, while it is planning no album on the show, was the first diskery to jump on the tunes from the show and has gone in for a heavy promotion on its heavy waxed coverage of the show's score on its single pop releases. The firm has sliced South Pacific score stuff with Perry Como, Fran Warren, Eve Young, Bill Lawrence and Buddy Moreno's ork. Special envelopes are available to dealers for packaging the show tune disks.

MGM's diskery has been the most reticent of the majors to compete on the show score. It has only covered, to date at any rate, on the three songs which are believed to be the standouts, Some Enchanted Evening, Bali H'ai and A Wonderful Guy.

Other show tunes which were heavily recorded include Younger Than Springtime (Shore, Whiting, Lawrence, Richards), I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outta My Hair (Stafford, Lee, Warren, Fitzgerald,

## **Tommy Ryan**

(Reviewed at the Arcadia Ballroom April 20. Personal manager, Bill Burnham. Booked by Associated Booking Corporation.)

TRUMPETS: Norman Bell, Arthur Pau, Jay Schwartz.

TROMBONE: Burt Prager.

SAXES: Harry Poole, Barney Marino, Billy Mackie, Jerry Brockman.

RHYTHM: Conrad Lanoue, piano; Teddy Stevens, bass; Gene Crese, drums.

VOCALS: Tommy Ryan, Jay Schwartz, Jerry Brockman, the Ryaneers (trio).

ARRANGER: Walter Davidson.

Tommy Ryan, who was featured vocalist with Sammy Kaye for nine years, apparently learned his lessons well from that past master of commercial music making. The band he fronts today has been together, with only a few changes, for a year, and is currently playing its second engagement at the spot. This is an unlimited stay.

Musically, the style is simple and straightforward, with a goodly portion of two-beat favored, especially behind the leader's vocals. Ensembles are smooth and clean, and the sound is always bright. All of this is largely the work of arranger Walter Davidson, who joined the outfit six months ago. The cleffing exploits to a considerable extent the ability of all reed men to double. Harry Poole's flute is especially useful on the group's better-than-average rumba offerings. Outstanding in the repertoire, however, are the oldfashioned and folk-type pops that Ryan has dressed up in his modern but simple scores. Such numbers as One Has My Name, Beautiful Eyes, Sunflower and Ryan's own Send Me Back My Letters register strong with the dancers here. Unison band vocals, used frequently on the up-tempo jobs, are clean, full and vigorous. An outstanding factor in the over-all band sound is the golden-tone trumpet section, with the schmaltzy faked obligatos of Art Pau adding a new dimension to the ballads.

#### Strong on Folk Tunes

In the vocal department, Ryan himman gets a fine sound on his pop ballads, standards and folk tunes. With the folk tunes making big inroads into the pop field, Ryan shapes up as a strong recording bet. Trumpeter Jay Schwartz handles most of the novelty and comic vocals with enough zaniness, and saxman Jerry Brockman cuts the jump vocals capably. The Ryaneers, a trio composed of band members, get a good blend on ballads, and showcase Ryan's own warbling effectively. While Ryan himself is a big, congenial looking chap, and the group presents a neat, youthful appearance, the only thing noticeably lacking in the outfit is glamor. This could probably be remedied to a large extent by the addition of the right fem singer.

## **Discovery Sets Gazette Tie-Up**

HOLLYWOOD, May 7.-Discovery Records Prexy Albert Marx has revealed plans for a promotional tie-up between the indie plattery and The Los Angeles Daily News, metro downtown sheet. Marx and The News associate publisher, Robert L. Smith, are in New York working out details of tie-up which will feature a series of "Americana" albums, recorded by Discovery and promoted thru The News. Details of the plan will be announced upon Marx's return from the East, it was stated.

While away from the Coast home office, Marx will visit plattery distribs in Boston, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Cleveland, and Chicago to plug new waxery products and line up promotional stunts.

## **Decca** Quarter Lists 280G Net

NEW YORK. May 7 .- Decca Records, Inc., consolidated net earnings for the first quarter of this year, ended March 31, amounted to \$280,098 after \$171,673 had been provided for income taxes. Some weeks ago Decca's prexy, Milton Rackmil, estimated that the diskery had grossed slightly under \$6,000,000 for its first quarter.

In the first quarter of 1948, Decca's net earnings totalled \$388,399, which was equivalent to 50 cents per share of the 776,650 shares of capital stock outstanding. The 1949 first quarter Martin has been working the Coast earnings are equal to 36 cents per for years and has developed a winshare of outstanding Decca stock.

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## ON THE STAND

**Reviews of Orchestras Playing Hotels, Night Clubs and Ballroom Locations and One-Nighters** 

## **Paul Martin**

(Reviewed at Casino Gardens, Ocean Park, Calif., May 5. Personal manager, Don Haynes. Booked thru Music Corporation of America.)

TRUMPETS: Claude Bowen, Charles Parlato and Connie Taylor.

TROMBONES: Phil Washburn and Lee Scott. SAXES: Hilly Harwick, Ken Harpster, Roy Noble and Pete Terry.

RHYTHM: Ed Seltzer, piano; Duane Blake, bass, and Murray Gaer, drums. VOCALISTS: Lee Gotch and Judy Matson

with Four Hits and a Miss.

LEADER AND ELECTROHARP: Paul Martin ARRANGER: Heine Beau.

There's a dollar sign sparkle in Paul Martin's eyes as he prudently patterns his dance tempi in line with current tastes for pop flavored corn. Musically, band is no sensation. But who cares? Maestro keeps the Gardens' patrons dancing and happy, and that's what counts at the b. o.

Book runs the gamut for dancing satisfaction with current plugs, medleys of oldies and an occasional novelty and Latin number. The old-time ricky-tick beat is prevalent in almost all selections and the customers eat it up. Beat is particularly well suited for such items as I Wanna Marry Mary; Again, Again, Again and yesteryear faves which include Stumbling and Marie.

Martin (he handles the commercials on the Red Skelton air show) uses his string-plucking talents to good advantage by filling in with banjo breaks and electro-harp solos which inject a Four-Leaf Clover flavor into band's over-all sound and provide good-natured entertainment. ning podium personality that keeps

the terp trade milling about the bandstand.

Vocals are pleasingly handled by Lee Gotch, of the Four Hits and a Miss. Substitutes in the vocal corps' ranks at the time band was caught blocks appraisal of the singing group's merits. With a band so well tailored to the current trend, plus his recent wax bow (Exclusive Records), Martin's popularity should continue to mount. All he needs Lee Zhito. now is a disk click.

## Leighton Noble

(Reviewed at Cocoanut Grove, Hotel Ambassador, Los Angeles, April 26. Booked thru General Artists' Corporation.)

STRINGS: Al Mina, Mac McGraw and Jack Vankanegan.

TRUMPETS: Tommy Greer, Paul Maged and

Bill Hanley. SAXES: Joe Sorci, Bev Adams, Jim Adair and Dick Strimple.

RHYTHM: Don Beamsley, plano; Bill Houston, bass, and Harry McMaster, drums.

VOCALISTS: Leighton Noble, Mac McGraw and Noble Trio (Leighton Noble, Paul Maged and Mac McGraw).

ARRANGER: Lou Quadling.

Leighton Noble, since last heard in these parts, has acquired Lou Quadling as arranger and altered ork's instrumental line-up to fit new scorings. Major change is the dropping of the Noble tram section, leaving the brass load on the trumpet trio. An effort is made to supplant tram tone body by spotting the strings.

For hotel styled music making, Noble dishes out a brand that's tailored more for the dancers than the listeners. Batoner, who is equally at home at the Steinway or voicing ballads, keeps customers happy on the

With its clean sound and danceability, the band, given the right material, could make a splash on records, and shapes up as a good buy for location jobs.

Ryan has two Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) wires from the spot, and has recently cut some sides as a soloist for Beacon Records.

Bill Simon.

floor with each set. Book is well rounded with current items, standards, Latin selections and an occasional novelty. Particularly favored is the Noble treatment of Why Can't You Behave, A Chapter in My Life Named Mary, Again, Let Bygones Be Bygones and Brush Those Tears From Your Eyes. Ork's song offerings are at their vocal best when the Noble Trio blends on the lyrics.

Generally, there are no standouts or important solo work, except when the maestro takes over the keyboard. At times, band's balance seems to tip a little too much to the trumpet side. Brass overshadows strings and reeds and does not add to ork's listenability. This does not occur too often to mar the pleasure. It easily could be remedied by soft-pedaling the horns. Lee Zhito.

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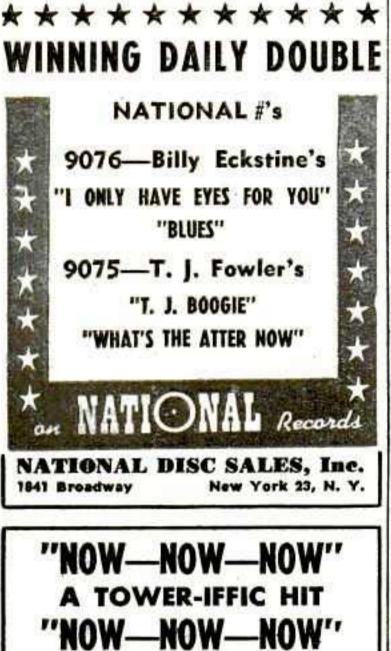
#### MUSIC 40

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## Writer-Disker Deals Irk Pubs; Gold Uses Showbiz P.A.'s **Departure From Tradition**

(Continued from page 17) questing a license. The publishers' own relations with the major artists are jeopardized, but, as one pubber stated, "How can a publisher protect himself when he doesn't hear the song first?"

A similar incident occurred over Four Winds and the Seven Seas, scheduled by Lombardo Music, Bregman, Vocco & Conn (BVC) subsidiary, for September release. Cleffers Don Rodney and Hal David,



however, got around fast and set all the major records themselves, with the result that Victor scheduled its Sammy Kaye waxing for June, and all other companies moved their dates up accordingly. The publisher, who had scheduled other plugs first, must now go to work on Four Winds immediately and diffuse his total exploitation effort. A BVC topper pointed out that setting records should be the responsibility of the publisher, who must in turn exercise judgment in placing to benefit diskers best and assure maximum type coverage for the tune. For example, if you have a band recording at Victor, you go after a vocal recording at Decca, etc. If Billy Eckstine records a number for MGM, you don't try for a Herb Jeffries record at Columbia, or vice versa. The point is the publisher is in a position to know what artists are to record his tune at each diskery, and can act accordingly.

Several top pubbers claim that it is the function of a publisher to screen out the worth-while tunes from writers, to give the diskers the benefit of their years of experience in picking. Their attitude toward writers is "never mind the records you can get-just bring us in that great song, we'll do the rest." This screening they feel can save the companies a load of money. Before we spend our money and manpower on a new song, we're convinced of its merit, and since we've given the record firms so many hits in the past, they know we're not going to louse them up now. We're the ones who are gambling . . . with the amount we spend to exploit a plug tune, the major record is certain at least to earn back its cost."

Writers who grab at the chance to get a single disk can ruin the future acceptance of the tune, if that disk is a bad one, according to another major publisher. On the other hand, if the publisher lands half a dozen records, and sets a release date, the tune has a chance if just one of the records is good. If a single shot disk is bad, no one else will record it. The same pubber points out that any writer who licenses his tune directly to a diskery is not protected by Songwriter's Protective Association (SPA) rules. A record company, theoretically, is not a publisher, and is not bound to earn the SPA minimum in a year for the writers. If the writers themselves are the publishers, they may again forfeit the SPA guarantee. On the writers' side, many still feel they don't want to wait around several months until a publisher schedules their tune for a plug, and by landing a good record they can put themselves in a bargaining position, both for an advance and for an early plug. That the record companies don't necessarily share the publishers' attitude is indicated in one disker's statement, "We don't care who gives us the tune-we'll make it a hit."

# **To Boost Store Disk Sales**

WASHINGTON, May 7.- A gift mitted to publicize Miss Lee's appearfor youthful Fred Gold, music mandepartment store chain. Gold, who has been staging an energetic series of promotion stunts for plumping records sales, has been cashing in at his department whether the artists have happened to visit the nation's capital on business or just sightseeing tours.

When the Three Suns had a stage run at the Capitol Theater here last week, the trio accepted Gold's bid and stopped in at the music counter late one afternoon to autograph records and entertain an impromptu crowd of enthusiasts who managed to be on hand for the unhearalded Neisner's was their second in five months. Last November they happened to be in the city similarly on a professional engagement, and the second floor, even standing on a half-hour stop-off at Gold's counter yielded a sale of 100 of their records and 40 of their albums in that brief spell.

### La Lee's Hush P.A.

a stage show at the Capitol Theater last fall, she spent 20 minutes on the sales floor at Neisner's music department-ample time for Gold to cash in. Altho Gold wasn't per-



for showmanship is netting results ance, he devised a clever way to draw people to the floor without ager at the local outlet of Neisner's breaking the no-publicity agreement. Miss Lee's records were played over the store's loud-speaker system, with frequent interruptions by the announcer: "Come to the music departon personal appearance of disk stars ment and meet the girl who's singing this right now." Records chosen for the come-on were such characteristic Lee tunes as Manana. Meanwhile, Miss Lee's albums were on conspicuous display all over the store, with nary a word to divulge that she herself was upstairs in the music department. Despite her brief appearance, 143 Peggie Lee records were sold as fast as she could autograph them.

Not long after that stunt, Gold visit. The appearance of the trio at arranged for an appearance of the Gaytime Review stars, who were playing at Constitution Hall, and an estimated 1,100 persons jammed counters. A whopping sale of 700 of their records resulted.

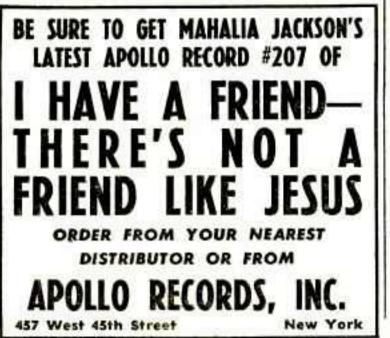
A few months ago, Evelyn Knight, here for a four-day visit, stopped at Gold's department to pay her re-When Peggy Lee was in town for spects because she had heard that an elaborate series of displays had resulted in an exceptionally heavy sale of three of her records-A Little Bird Told Me, Powder Your Face With Sunshine and Buttons and Bows. About 1,000 of each of those numbers had been sold in a four-week campaign at the store. In return, Miss Knight spent several minutes autographing records, upping the sale by several hundred more.



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## **Conn. Fire Code Hits Spots**

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., May 7. -A new fire code, which goes into effect July 1 in Connecticut, will be an expensive item for roller rinks and other amusement places. The law requires all public places where 75 persons assemble to be equipped with auxiliary lighting systems, powered from a source independent of the principal lighting system and controlled by an automatic device which will switch on the auxiliary power if the principal lighting service fails.

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artist linked with Capitol Records and Monogram Pictures, by the Jolly Joyce Agency here which handles the bookings for him. A cross-country tour is being set up for the unit, with the deal completed this week by Joyce for Stan Zucker's International Artists Corporation to have the unit for nine days.

Zucker will open the Wakely unit June 25 at the Municipal Auditorium, Kansas City, Mo., following the next day at the Arena in St. Joseph, Mo., and filling out nine days until July 3. Joyce will take over and head the unit includes his screen horse, Sonny; Patsy Montana and Her Cowgirls, Dick Sioux City Sue Thomas and the Western comedy team of Smokey and Henry.

## **Osgood Readies Rustic Shop Deb**

HOLLYWOOD, May 7 .- Bob Osgood, top square dance caller in Southern California, will open the first record store here devoted exclusively to Western square - and round dancing platters. Shop will be called The Record Square and will stock platters of over 20 different labels devoted to the terp fad.

Shop will open for biz May 15 and will be manned by specially trained musicaides who are adept at square dancing. Thus, Osgood says, customers will be given any necessary terp instruction with record purchase. Supplemental line of square dance books will also be stocked in the unique shop.

In addition to functioning as an official square dance caller at local events, Osgood is featured on a weekly tele square-dance show over KNBH, National Broadcasting Company (NBC) outlet in Hollywood. Caller also edits new square dance mag called Sets in Order.

#### Atter Para Hit

NEW YORK, May 7. - Billy Eckstine this week drew a group of top-drawer bookings and an MGM movie deal as an aftermath of his show-stopping appearance at the Paramount here. The big-voiced crooner will go into the Chez Paree nitery in Chicago for four weeks beginning July 1, headlining at a reported \$5,000 per stanza. Eckstine also is being sought for a two-week deal at the Chicago Theater, beginning July 22, which calls for \$12,unit east. In addition to Wakely, the 500, out of which Eckstine must buy at least a \$2,500 supporting show. The Wakely's instrumental Saddle Pals, singer May 26 goes into the Bop City nitery here for three weeks with Charlie Barnet's ork. And prior to that, he will play a one-weeker at the Town Casino in Buffalo beginning May 16.

Late this week, Eckstine was approached by Dore Schary, of the MGM flickery, for a term movie deal. It is understood that the deal will be consummated sometime next week.









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Agents' Dearth of Girl Acts Fem Comics, Sister Acts in **Big Demand** 

## Single Singers Plentiful

NEW YORK, May 7.-That there are more acts laying off today than money is a lot less when jobs are available, is a recognized fact. But the demand is greater than the supply.

The biggest demand today is for way." girl comics, two-girl acts and fem novelties. Practically every talent office admitted it could book girl acts if it had any to book. Yet, while the demand is for the fems, it doesn't include girl singers. In most cases girl singers are still used as sex appeal between the opener and the comic, and unless they have some name value, are meaningless at the gate, where their draw starts.

In theaters, however-particularly those reopening with flesh-the cry is for fem acts. These include sister teams, singers or dancers, comediennes, (not impressionists) or girl group acts to help dress up a show. In the old days there was hardly a bill that didn't have a sister act doing either a song or dance or both. Today, the number available can be counted on the fingers of one hand.

**Clash Over Bond Almost Shutters New Walters Spot** 

NEW YORK, May 7.-Lou Walters' latest theater venture, the recently renamed San Jaun (formerly the Audubon), almost closed Thursday (5) when a hassle developed between Walters and the American Guide of Variety Artists (AGVA).

The situation arose when AGVA hit Walters for a \$5,000 cash bond. He countered with an offer of a there were a year ago, and that \$10,000 U. S. Government Bond, which the union refused. He then complained that AGVA knew he was starting shows and could have called in at least one segment of showbiz him in before its board and worked out an arrangement. Instead, said Walters, "they pointed a gun at my head, and I won't do business that

> Walters also said that he had no bond up with AGVA for his Latin Quarter and that no theaters were required to put up such bonds. To appease AGVA, however, Walters offered to pay salaries in advance to all acts. This wasn't satisfactory to AGVA, so Walters notified all acts that the theater would close that night, Thursday.

When the acts got the news they screamed and offered to picket AGVA, claiming it wasn't doing anything for them but collect dues and when they had work was trying to make it impossible for them to keep their jobs.

Walters to pay all acts in advance, AGVA is part of the Associated then all acts to take their salaries Actors and Artistes of America (Four up to AGVA to hold the dough for A's) from which the Screen Actors them until the end of their run.

## **Roxy's Firings** In Chorus May **Provoke Strike**

NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDEVILLE

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(Continued from page 3) strike because AGVA didn't have a strike fund. It also said that since Barto moved in and made the Roxy problem a national issue, the branch was helpless.

Irate members thereupon demanded an immediate strike call and plans were formulated to collect money to establish such a fund. It was pointed show headed by Nellie Lutcher and out that National might approve a strike if a board quorum was available. So a resolution was proposed its 400 capacity used to be jammed, and accepted, stating: "Inasmuch as the Bop City biz fell off. The slip the National executive board has been unable to get a quorum, the New York members empowers the New York executive board to call a strike at the Roxy unless it agrees to . . . reinstate all those fired until an impartial board of arbitration rules on the case."

Members were particularly angered at what was characterized as Barto's "appeasement policies." Examples were cited of the Roxy's being ready to fall into line; how the stagehands and musicians had agreed they wouldn't cross picket lines if AGVA set up one, and how Barto's tactics constantly weakened the members' position.

Another meeting has been set up with Roxy toppers for Monday or Tuesday (9 or 10) further to explore possibilities of an early settlement.

Should the National approve a After much screaming, AGVA came strike against the Roxy, it may inup with the rather odd solution: volve 20th-Fox's picture activities.

## **Roost Folderoo May Bring Bop Back to Spot**

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NEW YORK, May 7.-The Royal Roost's folderoo, Wednesday (4), after two weeks of trying to make it go as a straight nitery, sans bop, throws the Bop City picture into new focus.

The Royal Roost ops had a big thing in their bop policy, doing turnaway biz on week nights. So it decided to expand by taking over the old Harem with its 850 capacity, with Abe Ellis, holder of the mortgage at the Harem, as the new partner, calling it Bop City and transfering its bop policy to the new place. Meanwhile, the Roost brought in a Stump and Stumpy costing about \$5,000. But where the Roost with was so marked that it cut its weeknight minimums from \$2 to \$1.50, and tried to make it up by raising admissions from 90 cents to 98 cents, increasing its bullpen capacity at the same time.

The Roost in the meantime, found itself with a two-week old show, with some acts on the bill having options calling for six weeks if they stayed on after the initial two-week jobs. The American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) also demanded a \$5,000 bond. Rather than tie itself down to another month of indifferent or doubtful business, plus putting up an AGVA bond, the Roost closed.

### Smaller Operation?

Some of the Bop City ops, formerly associated with the Roost, are now eyeing the spot and thinking of going back into the smaller operation for various reasons. Bop at the new place hasn't caught on, and acts which formerly could be bought at what ops thought were reasonable prices, now demand bigger dough at Bop City. Ops now feel that bop needs the intimancy of a Roost to attract new and repeat biz, something that the larger Bop City doesn't offer. The plan at this writing is to keep the Roost shuttered until the Bop City proves itself one way or another. If it doesn't pick up, it is likely bop will go back into the Roost. Insiders say they're willing to give Bop City another short time (length undisclosed) before making any move.

### Average Near \$300

The money in most cases isn't anything to retire on. Dough from \$200 to \$400 is about the range, with \$300 the average. The main reason given for the lack of girl acts is the long lay-offs between jobs, a factor that has contributed to a lot of acts leaving the business.

The increased demand has come mostly from two sources, theaters going back to vaude who want sex appeal acts, and TV which has also become the latest market. Among the girls the commedienne is probably in greatest demand. There have been the big buyers. are only about four or five funny girls around and of these most of them do some sort of impressions. Agencies admit that, given a girl with looks, a little class and a flair for comedy, they can not only keep her working but can build her into a real attraction.

## **Cincy Shubert Gets Fleshers**

NEW YORK, May 7 .- The RKO Shubert, Cincinnati, is to open with flesh for the first time in five years. The tee-off show set for June 16 will have Louis Jordan.

While the chain will put live acts into its Shubert, it plans also to continue using flesh at the RKO Albee. There is a possibility, however, that with insufficient strong attractions available for the Albee, the chain can make a deal with the musicians union to play out running time, about 29 weeks, at the Shubert where attractions not suitable for the Albee can be found to fill out the time at the Shubert.

The Louis Jordan date, a fullweeker, is so far only a spot booking. But if other acts are available, the Friendly will book the shows.

Guild (SAG) also obtains its charter.

## **Signs Point to More Work** In Miami for Next Season

hotels which are already using stansom forth into full competition by the time the regular season rolls around. Miami Beach has a lawa zoning regulation-which theoretifrom any kind of shows, except those calling for just string music. The law is old and seldom enforced. In recent years, however, there has been nibbling at the regulation, with hotel the off season, the hotels will continue ops talking about getting together to change the law.

Up to now the hotels did little about it but talk. They argued there were enough cafes in the downtown Beach area to take care of their guests, and anyway they were more interested in seeing to it that guests remained undisturbed. But with cafe biz off and hotel guests staying on the premises, a desire to give them shows to have them leave their extra bucks at the hotels gradually gained momentum.

Major hotels like the Saxony, Versailles and others in that class are already using talent on a regular two-week basis and efforts are being made to keep buying acts for the summer and into next winter.

house plans to keep running. Dan with the season over, are griping at and both white and Negro contestants for one, two, three and four-day what they call "unfair competition" have won prizes.

MIAMI, May 7.-Jobs next sea- but are powerless to do anything. son seem a long way off, but already One prominent hotel man pointed out there are signs there'll be a lot more that the average hotel has a fixed work available here—and not from investment in its property that totals the straight niteries, which up to now several millions of dollars, and any hotel men's org can manage to change The new market will be the large laws if it chooses to do so. Against this combo the cafe ops would be dard acts on a regular two and four- up a tree. With Murray Weinger's week basis, and is expected to blos- Copa out of the running and the Beachcomber closed for the season, it leaves only the Kitty Davis Airliner leading a flock of small clubs to fight it out. Cafes argue that cally forbids hotels in certain areas they pay \$4,000 for the cafe license, while hotels have to pay only \$500 for a bar permit.

But whoever wins, it is quite probable that actors will benefit. During to use acts, and once the season starts, the competition will force hotelmen to increase their buying.

**Telecast Pulling Theater Crowds** 

WASHINGTON, May 7.- A TV series telecast direct from the stage of the Howard Theater, local vaudeflicker house, is pulling crowds. A talent-search type show, the telecast over WTTG is being emseed by Harold Jackson, disk jockey.

Running every Monday night, the

## **Adams Goes to Copa June 30**

NEW YORK, May 7.-Joey Adams will open at the Copacabana for a four-weeker starting June 30. Working with him will be his two partners, Tony Canzoneri and Mark Plant. Martin and Lewis, now current, will close June 29.

The last time Adams played a New York club was at the now shuttered La Martinique. Since then the boys have worked all over the country, their last date having been on the Coast.

With Adams and company in, the Copa will still have six weeks open. The club has Jimmy Durante set for September 8, but between the Schnozz and Adams, nothing has been set.

## **Club Dates Up \$3 in Philly**

PHILADELPHIA, May 7.-Salary scales for all club dates have been raised in this area by the latest decision of the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA). The union served notice this week on all bookers telecast is held in addition to the and clubs that starting immediately regular theater policy. No color line there would be a blanket increase Cafes, now reduced to a handful is drawn on participants in the show, of \$3 on club dates in every zone stands.



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## NIGHT CLUBS-VAUDE GROSSES

## VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

## Palladium, London

(Monday, April 25)

Capacity, 2,600. Price policy 40 cents to \$2.90. Number of shows, two daily; three Wednesdays and Saturdays. House booker, Cissie Williams. Shows played by the Skyrockets orchestra.

A more serious Danny Kaye opened a six-week date here amid varied opinion. Many of the Danny Kaye bits from his 1948 appearance were missed by the customers.

It was, however, a typical Danny Kaye performance but far too short for the customers who clamored for more than his 50-minute turn. He was nervous during this opening show and seemed to pay too much attention to his allotted time, since this point had been stressed by the management to keep him from running falls to Chirp Geraldine Dubois, a over as he did last year.

Many of his songs were new and not too familiar. It was only after he went into Ballin' the Jack and some of his old tunes that he drew a big hand. His Candy Kisses drew a big mitt and will probably be the hit song of his present engagement.

### **U. S. Trio Clicks**

The show opened with Dorothy Gray and her brother in an aerial act which drew big applause. The Three Chocolateers, billed as Harlem's Ambassadors, also drew well with a song and dance routine which should be one of the hits of the show before they close.

Ventriloguist Bobbie Kimber scored with a fast routine and a good line of patter. The Great Alexanders. held over from the previous show, worked too fast and lost the punch which drew a big mitt previously. One of their jumps in their acrobatic act had to be repeated five times before it went over and then nearly missed.

## Strand, New York (Friday, May 6)

Capacity, 2,700. Prices, 75 cents-\$1.50. Number of shows, five daily. Harry Mayer. Show played by Ted Lewis's ork.

The current Ted Lewis show, without a typical Lewis audience out \$352,000 as against a fine \$443,000 evidently isn't doing anything. front, was received with little more than politeness. The maestro himself, in fact, stirred enthusiasm only when he started to go into some of Paramount and Radio City Music ork, Mantan Moreland, Kitty Murray the nostalgic tunes with which he Hall. has long been associated. Most of the time he seemed to be begging for his laughs.

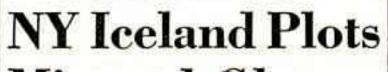
The acts are essentially the same he's had with him for some time, with all participants either imitating or caricaturing Lewis, or acting as his direct antithesis. The latter task Lewis fixture whose body-wiggling, in accompaniment to her singing is evidently calculated to suggest the old-timer's predilection for the spicier side of life.

### Straight-Man Act

With the team of White and Peace, Lewis assumes the role of straight man, striving to keep up a flow of \$76,000) grabbed its portion of the patter while Paul White breaks 'em loot with a strong \$82,000 for its up with hilarious gestures, faces and lispy responses. With less of Lewis in the act, these lads would probably Bowser, Peck and Peck and The Unstop the show, but his slow pacing dercover Man. The previous week and padded lines act as a dead weight was \$97,000. on their bright talent. An up-tempo dance number by the same team pulled one of the big mitts of the show.

Also featured were the Reed Sisters, a vocal trio. The gals are tall and lovely but can't sing.

Bill Simon. Pic, Flamingo Road.



## Stem B. O. Drops to 352G; MH 120, Roxy 85, Strand 34

collected the seven days before. The worst hit were the Strand and Capitol, with takes holding up at the Roxy,

average \$115,000) kept up a nice pace its \$40,000 gross the second week. with a \$120,000 gross as compared The new show (reviewed this issue) to \$150,000 the previous stanza. The will be Ted Lewis and his ork and bill is The Glory of Easter, Harrison Flamingo Road. and Fisher, Paul Haakon and A Connecticut Yankee.

Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$89,000) keeps going strong with a show in its last week, the receipts totalling \$85,000 as compared to 110G the week before. The presentation was Vivian Blaine, McCarthy and Farrell, Leo De Lyon, Joan Hyldoft, the vedere Goes to College.

Paramount (3,654 seats; average Labor Day. second week of Duke Ellington and his ork, Billy Eckstine, Howell and

### Cap Drops to 31G

Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$66,first week with \$31,000. The com- in that capacity.

NEW YORK, May 7.-The holiday bined bill of Enric Madriguera and was over as far as the Stem vaude- his ork, Donald Richards, Fred Sanpic houses were concerned, and last born, Sibyl Bowan and Lane and week's combined gross dropped to Claire, plus Adventures in Baltimore .

Strand (2,700 seats; average \$45,-000) in its third and last week with the presentation of Lionel Hampton's and My Dream Is Yours finished off Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; with a weak \$34,000 as compared to

## 'Aquashow' Reopens June 28 for Summer

NEW YORK, May 7.-Elliot Murphy's Aquashow will reopen at the Rookies, the Ice Show and Mr. Bel- Flushing Amphitheater, Flushing, L. I., June 28 and will run thru

> The 7,500 seater will have the same. policy established three years ago when it first opened. The price rangewill be 72 cents to \$1.50. The show's budget, exclusive of the water acts and music, will be about \$1,500, the same that existed last year.

Max Roth, of the Bernard Burke Office, who has booked the show for 000) took a drubbing for its initial the past three years, will continue



Ted Ray, another holdover, scored again with his gags.

The Dunhills, closing the first half of the show, were tops with their dancing. The three boys were smooth and had the audience calling for more and more as they upset the timing of the show a little to take an encore before leaving the stage.

Kenneth H. Waggoner.





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## **Minstrel Shows**

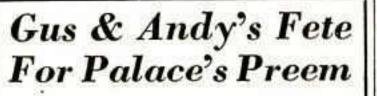
NEW YORK, May 7.-The Iceland's new show will be based on the minstrel formula, complete with an interlocutor and end men, making it one of the few minstrel shows to play the Stem in many years.

The idea, according to Iceland op, Abe Goldstein, is to have the whole thing nostalgic. He'll have Max Wolfe helping out; Bill Hardy of the Gay 90's, an East Side Cafe, will produce. The show will be based on a script written by Jimmy Lyons, American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) Eastern rep.

The show will use about 12 people, all blackface, and will include men and women. The tentative interlocutor will be Harland Dixon, and end men will be blackface Eddie Nelson and Claude West.

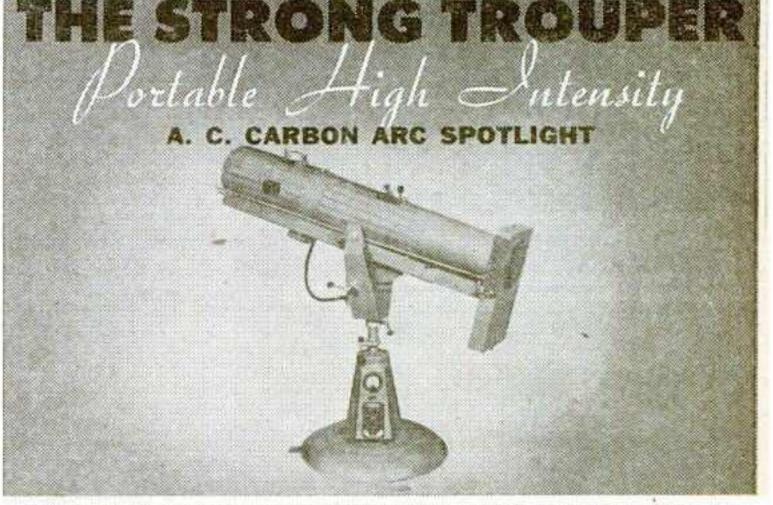
The opening date is set for about the end of May.

The minstrel show idea was first mulled by Billy Rose for his next show. Rose may still use the gimmick, but his producer, John Murray Anderson, has refinements that may change the entire picture, Lou Walters also had planned a minstrel show, but neither Rose nor Walters have gone into it beyond the talking stage. Goldstein, on the other hand, already has the acts signed and rehearsals set.



'NEW YORK, May 7.-To celebrate the reopening of the Palace, Gus and Andy's, 47th Street restaurant, next to the stage entrance, will throw a party for the acts Thursday (19) after the show. Bill Howard, Sol Schwartz and Dan Friendly, RKO execs and booker, respectively, have also been invited.

After the preem, Gus and Andy's will serve free coffee every Thursday a.m. to acts on the Palace bill who have to get in early for rehearsals.



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dinner a la carte. Owner, Hollywood Restaurant Corporation. Manager, Virginia Lear. Shows at 9:15 and 12. Booking policy, non-exclusive. Publicity, Ruth Winner. Estimated budget this show, \$5,000. Estimated

Comic Pinky Lee headlines the refurbished edition of Earl Carroll Vanities, returning after several years on the road. Lee works with enthusiasm, giving the crowd plenty

Altho Lee's material is basically the same as seen locally before, he keeps adding bits and quips which add freshness. Such standard routines as English Lesson, Pinky Lee Story and the burly routine on love making are sock. His lisping, wistful delivery and timing all add up to highly original comedy. His pratt falls, double takes and slightly bluish bits are well received. Lee knocks himself out for laughs and is perfect

Remainder of the revue sticks to its previously established format. Half-clad show girls parade to the usual teasing tempo, altho the gals seem a bit bored, probably because production numbers and specialties haven't been revised for over a year.

Principals include lovely Jean Richey, spotlighted as a singer, acro dancer, and bicycle performer, who shows plenty of talent. Virginia Dew, Joan Larkin and Winona Smith all hold down featured slots, doubling as terpsters and vocalists. Bob Gentry handles emsee chores capably, and is featured in his own comedy slot. Gags are so-so, but pantomime take-off on an expectant father is a

Theory behind the show is to sustain the type of entertainment dethe idea is worthy of greater effort. The show is badly in need of new ideas and changes. Costumes, lighting and production effects are good-but old. Show is acceptable to tourist trade, which is the spot's main drawing card. Al Lyons and house ork handle the show capably and play for Alan Fischler.

## **Empire Room**, Palmer House, Chicago

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(Thursday, May 5)

Capacity, 500. Price policy, \$1.50 cover Saturdays; \$1 other nights, with \$2 minimum. Exclusive booker and producer, Merriel Abbott. Publicity, Fred Townsend. Estimated budget this show, \$5,600. Estimated budget last show, \$6,900.

This room returns to the variety show policy after a month with Dorothy Shay as solo attraction. Show's biggest weakness is an almost complete lack of comedy.

The Peiro Brothers proved that their topnotch, original brand of juggling is just as pleasing to nitery audiences as theater crowds, drawing hands with their amazing stick juggling. For the most part they utilize reeds to keep objects in motion. The boys mixed in enough straight juggling to keep the pace varied.

Margaret Phelan lacks the distinctive style that's associated with fem singers in this room. Gal opened weakly with a longhair French ditty, switching to a rendition of Lindy Lou for better results. She did so-so job on a pop, followed by a novelty, Confession, that lacked punchy lyrics and had a last line that was blue. Closed to a mediocre hand with a good rendition of That Wonderful Guy.

For a dance team that has had as much good advance publicity as the DeMarcos, their appearance here was a disappointment. Major fault was the use of hackneyed tunes as background for their stepping. Their opener, Holiday for Strings, an overused vehicle, was hurt by a stock arrangement. For their samba interpretation, they used the worn-out Tico-Tico and threw in a tired Begin the Beguine toward the end. There's no question that their footwork and movements are tops in grace. Some inane talk between Sally and Tony veloped by the late Earl Carroll, but DeMarco between numbers lacks coherency. It should either be dropped or improved. The Merriel Abbott Dancers opened with a lustreless Coral and Jade production bit, but made up for the slow opening with a terrific routine, built around a number of pops and standards that contain the names of birds. Chorines, in beautiful avian costumes, did a sock series of specialties to lyrics, handled well by Larry Albert. The production racked up the biggest mitt in the show. Ted Straeter made a perfect emsee. doing a smart straight job of handling intros and conducting his band thru a flawless backing job. Band also does a commendable job on dance sets. Johnny Sippel.

## Mt. Resort Date Scale Invoked

NEW YORK, May 7 .- The mountain resort date scale was thrown at the bookers last week by the New York executive board of the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) on take-it-or-leave-it basis. The a board warned that agents and bookers who refuse to pay acts the new scale will be placed on the unfair list and acts will be forbidden to do business with them.

The final decision is a result of a long series of discussions between the agents and AGVA on setting a new scale. Heretofore an unofficial scale (no official one was ever set) was \$15 for a single and \$10 for subsequent dates on the same night. AGVA's new scale, which has been reduced after several talks with agents, is \$25 for a single, \$40 for a double and \$55 for a trio.



LATIN QUARTER, N. Y.: That Jerry Lester is a top comic has long been recognized. He proved it again here Wednesday (4) with his calculated madness that sent yocks rolling round the room. But this time around he also proved he's an actor, an oddity among comics who can do gags, throw punch lines, but seldom measure up to straight stuff that requires underplaying for consummate effects. Lester came in with a sketch built around a giveaway program that was the epitome of hilarity built on a basis of pathos. To say it got howls is minimizing it. It broke up everybody, including the waiters and musicians who've already seen it a number of times. If the networks could take a rib at their giveaway shows, this Lester opus would make a very funny TV package. Much of Lester's impact from this sketch comes from the outstanding straight job turned in by Don Saxon. Where Lester will get equally competent straightmen in subsequent jobs to do this act with him will present a real problem. Saxon, incidentally, does a particularly outstanding job in Lou Walter's latest show. He's in every act, does productions, sings, dances; in fact, he's the spank plug who ties the whole show together.

## The Blue Room, Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans

Capacity, 450. Price policy, \$2 and \$3 mini-mum. Shows at 7 and 12. Owner, Seymour Weiss. Publicity, Al Bourgeois. Booking, nonexclusive. Estimated budget this show, \$3,900. Estimated budget last show, \$4,500.

It was home-coming for little Alice Farrar, who went from iceless New Orleans to a skating career in the big time. Little Alice gave her all in the fast moving Ice Fancies of '49 as her mother and brothers sat at a front table and all but cried with joy.

The strange story began back before the war when Alice went to a Holiday on Ice production. Afterwards she put on a pair of skates at the Municipal Auditorium here for the first time. She danced well and the skates didn't hurt form a bit. She left town with the show and has gone up ever since.

Alice's skate dancing was not the whole show, tho, for Florence and Bob Ballard (she of the Grable legs) did a ballroom ice routine with perfect ease and grace on their skates.

Gardner Benedict and his orchestra backed the show, and for an opening Benedict showed his mastery of music by giving perfect cues. His smooth, easy music fell well on the ears of the supper club crowd.

The ice show had stand-out numbers which ranged from hillbilly yokels to Mexican gallants and their muchachas skating to a brisk samba.

Tieing the show together capably was Arthur Johnson, singing emsee, who did well with his own impersonations of Bing Crosby, Jean Sablon, Maurice Chevalier and Frank Sinatra. Hal R. Yockey.

## Ciro's, Hollywood (Tuesday, May 3)

Capacity, 400. Price policy, no cover Owner-operator, H. D. Hover. Booking policy, non-exclusive. Publicity, Jim Byron. Esti-mated budget this show, \$3,500. Estimated budget last show, \$3,000.

Abe Burrows would classify George Ulmer as a French-type Victor Borge without a Steinway. Ulmer, who penned the European song hit, Pigalle, dishes out a refreshing brand of Continental humor that has ringsiders in stitches and yelling for more. A Dane by birth and a Frenchman by adoption, Ulmer's many years in France have given him the Parisian flavor and subtlety, which, when coupled with his natural sense of timing and delivery, promise to make him a sure-fire click with American audiences.

His ditty, I'm Drunk, proved a palm-winner, but he's at his funniest in his take-offs. His best are merciless vocal satires on American hillbilly voicers and pop crooners. His uncanny ability at capturing the U. S. song idiom and developing it into laugh material won well-deserved applause. He brought down the house with his version of Jimmy Cagney doing Flat-Foot Floogie. He would be wise to expand his repertoire along similar lines.

Personable lad handles the crowd the part of the second second second

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### **Faye Better Than Ever**

Frances Faye was never better than when caught on this show. She's lost a lot of weight since last caught, but it hasn't hurt her punch. She still belts out her cuties with her sly mannerisms and milking bits that are an integral part of her act. Saxon, working with her, straighted skillfully with deadpan schmo effects that pulled giggles which developed into full blown yocks.

Diane and Edwards are probably the most improved dance team around so far as skill and grace are concerned. Appearance may not be too good, but it is forgotten when they start their routines.

Art Waner at the piano and fronting the band, does a really impressive job. As a Steinway soloist, he's showcased to take advantage of his ability, a fact that even a non-hep mob recognized; as a fronter, he has that band always on cue cutting a show full of difficult music.

Bill Smith.

with the ease and agility of a veteran showman. Localized gags, done in ad lib fashion, go far in winning the audience's favor. A good example: "I was told if I made good in Hollywood, I might get to go to Italy and make a picture." Phil Ohman's ork and Rene Touzet's combo provide pop and Latin dance music.

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## **Billy West Dies** At 63; Founded West and McGinty

NEW YORK, May 7.—Bill West Sr., the originator of the top knockabout act in the biz, Willie West and Mc-Ginty, died at his Bradford, N. H., home Tuesday (4) after a heart attack at the age of 63.

For the past five years Billy Sr. had been in semi-retirement, the act being done by his son, Billy Jr. Occasionally Billy Sr. would go back into the act if it played near his home, but jumps were out.

West first was brought to this country by Flo Ziegfeld for his Follies of 1923. From then on the act was in. It played all the top circuits, went into musicals, did pictures and was the first act to be televised. This last occurred about five years ago when the act was with the Olsen and Johnson show, Laughing Room Only, at the Winter Garden. John Royal, National Broadcasting Company (NBC) veepee, who knew the act from his vaude booking days, arranged for a private telecast to demonstrate a point for the Federal Trade Commission.

The last time the Willie West and McGinty act was seen in New York was the night WJZ inaugurated its TV shows, late last August. The first act booked for the show emanating from the Palace was Willie West and McGinty.

## Melfi Quits AGVA, **Slams at Top Brass**

NEW -YORK, May 7.-Vito Melfi resigned from the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) last week amid a series of rumors. Melfi, who has been with AGVA since 1939, with the exception of a few years at La-Guardia Field during the war, said he quit because of inefficiency in the higher echelon in the actors union. year or so ago, he was placed in as the temporary Eastern regional director. Jimmy Lyons, formerly a national board member, campaigned strongly for the job and when he got it, Melfi was put into a minor position. It is known that Melfi objected to his job, claiming his experience and knowledge were wasted in a job that any clerk could do. The blow-off came when Dewey Barto. AGVA head, suggested Melfi become a dues collector.

## Million \$ Pier : Skeds Season

ATLANTIC CITY, May 7 .- The Hippodrome on Million Dollar Pier will bring in vaude units for the summer.

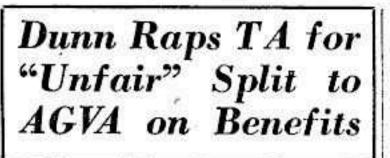
The amusement pier, taken over by a New York syndicate headed by George J. Costello, will operate with a free gate, setting up box offices for each pier amusement. Hippodrome vaude will be operated by the Pier management, with the Jolly Joyce Agency, Philadelphia, handling the bookings.

With George A. Hamid's Steel Pier using top names for its vaude shows this season, Million-Dollar Pier will concentrate on full-fashioned production units. First show, still to be set, comes in June 3, with follow-up weeks already set in the Hawaiian Paradise Revue, Hula native unit, for the June 10 week, and Dr. Neff's Mystery and Spook Show for June 17.

Units will come in for six-day stands. Already set for the Monday nights thruout the season is the Hayloft Hoedown show, a Western and hillbilly package headed by Elmer and Pete Newman and the Sleepy Hollow Gang. Hoedown will come in every Monday night during the summer, starting July 11, bringing down the entire cast heard on the show on the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) on Saturday nights out of WFIL, Philadelphia.

## Withholding Tax Gyp PHILADELPHIA, May 7.-Altho

they have long since lost their hold on the nitery, the three operators of the Mocambo, erstwhile class cabaret, were held Thursday (5) in \$800 bail Picture Relief Fund. Before AGVA's each charged with failing to turn take can be upped, the hike must be over to the city wage taxes collected from the employees. The Mocambo relit several months ago as a privatemembership 2-4 Club. When Melfi returned to AGVA a nitery ops collected a total of \$1,402 is a former cigar manufacturer who from employees during 1946 and put up most of the dough for the charge of the Philly office. From 1947 and failed to forward it to the club. there he was transferred to New York receiver of taxes. The three defend- James W. Tracey Jr. agreed to the ants, Frank Peskin, Charles Mostoroy waiver and the three were held by and Herman Martinez, waived a hear- Magistrate Levin in central police ing on charges of fraudulent conver- court.



HOLLYWOOD, May 7. - Henry Dunn, national treasurer and executive board member of American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA), told local members that he would urge AGVA to withdraw from Theater Authority (TA) because of an "unfair" split in funds collected by TA for benefits played by union members. Dupn, on the Coast to attend the convention of International Variety Clubs in San Francisco, issued his blast at TA during a regular monthly membership meeting here Wednesday (4).

Dunn as temporary chairman of the local meeting, said TA collected well over \$75,000 last year, but AGVA's take for the year was only \$6,000. Unless AGVA gets a heftier slice, he will ask local AGVA delegates to the forthcoming national convention to vote on the union's withdrawal from the TA set-up. Dunn further pointed out that the local AGVA branch had received only \$2,000 last year from Coast TA funds, despite the fact that benefit performances cleared thru TA used an overwhelming majority of AGVA members.

Dunn and Eddie Rio, local AGVA head, met the following day with I. A. Kornblum to present their demand that AGVA's take of local TA funds be increased from 15 to 20 per cent. Charged to 3 Ops According to Rio, the union's pitch was received cordially by Kornblum, who promised to take the matter up with a committee which will include reps of Equity, Screen Actors' Guild (SAG), American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) and the Motion



## **Oram Buys Into Detroit Spot**

DETROIT, May 7.-Edwin I. Oram has taken a part interest in the Wayne Show Bar with Joe I. Stewart, former sole owner. The spot is in suburban Wayne, where it was opened last year as one of the area's newest niteries, with a cocktail the crowd down. The Latin Quarter lounge policy.





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## Troupers Sell Out LQ With 9-Hour Show; Whole Stem There

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ers' first show cleaned up the Stem Sunday night (1). It started about 7:30 when the crowd gathered at Lou Walters' Latin Quarter and wound up about 4 a.m. with practically everybody staying on until the end.

The fact that it was a benefit with ducats going for \$12.50 didn't keep was taken over for the entire night and nobody but ticket holders was over. They had Danny Thomas, Maradmitted.

Lindy's, usually jammed Sunday showbiz people who organized the Troupers worked hard, their husbands did an equally sock job. Every comic in town was there. Even some guys with jobs out of town were told heard commercially, and killed them. by their wives to be in, or else. There were acts with no affiliation who also came on. Many of them never went on; the show was that long. But all of them were ready to go.

#### \$2,000 for Drinks

than a year ago by Gilda (Mrs.) Gilmore, Ruthie (Collette Sisters) Rosen, Fay (Mrs. Henry Slate) Car-Harvey) Stone. This was their first

NEW YORK, May 7.- The Troup- affairs and they used the Latin Quarter on the theory that most of their husbands worked in cafes, so let a cafe get the business. Walters later admitted that his drink take alone was in excess of \$2,000. The \$12.50 was for dinner alone.

The first show, the set LQ show with Jerry Lester and Frances Faye, went on at 9. There wasn't any set second show. The Troupers took tin and Lewis, Milton Berle, Jackie Miles, Harvey Stone, Jackie Gleason, night, was deserted. Other spots with Red Buttons, Benny Rubin, Fay Carsome Sunday night gimmick were roll, Ted Lewis, Lenny Kent, Maxie also empty. But if the wives of Rosenbloom, Jan Murray and a mob of others. Miles and Kent did their old act. Rosenbloom did a Harry Richman bit; in fact, few of the boys did material. They did stuff seldom

### **Permanent Home**

It was the Troupers' night-they sold every ticket. There was hardly anybody in showbiz, from agent to actor, who wasn't there.

Now the girls have their perma-The Troupers were organized less nent home at the Hotel Woodstock, where every Sunday night they have Benny) Davis, Bea Kalmus, Lynn get-togethers. All dough collected (with the exception of 15 per cent to the Theater Authority) is placed in a roll, Fan (Mrs. Lenny) Kent, Laele sick fund for the children of per-(Mrs. Buddy) Lester and Ethel (Mrs. formers who need medical attention. Bill Smith.



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## **Billboard Starts Ball Rolling On 6th Donaldson Awards**

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NEW YORK, May 7 .- With another Broadway legit season finished to the local theatrical scene, a word (The Billboard reckons the season on the purpose and function of the from May 1 and ending the following Donaldson Awards may be in order. April 30), the committee for the Back in 1943 The Billboard decided Sixth Annual Donaldson Awards met it was high time that annual recognition of Broadway legit achieveat Sardi's Restaurant Monday (2) to discuss preparations for a sixth ediments be made by the theater as a tion of the theater's own accolade whole and not by some limited group. to its own. During the week, the ref-It seemed that the people best able to guage the theater's talents were the erence booklets giving the casts and credits of all productions which people who work in it and for it. The opened on Broadway during the Billboard decided to sponsor such 1948-1949 season have been ordered awards and named them for its and these, together with the ballots, founder, the late William H. Donaldson. They are unique in that they should be in the hands of the voters before the end of the month. are completely democratic-anyone

As previously, this year's awards will consist of the gold key and scroll emblematic of the Broadway season top achievements both in drama and the musical division. The ballot will include 27 categories, covering "bests" of everything in acting and technical fields. When the votes are finally tabulated, which will be midtheater itself. Every branch of legit June, the winners will receive the awards tendered them by their coworkers in the theater on a coastto-coast hook-up.



## **Aussies Not Ready** For Nat'l Theater?

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Broadway legit season, from stage-

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properly tabulated. Picking its own

winners is strictly the business of the

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For the benefit of any late-comers

SYDNEY, May 7.-Tyrone Guthrie. visiting here to report to the Commonwealth Government and the British Council on the establishment of a National Theater, has stated that Australian audiences are not yet ready for it. "I am of opinion," he said, "that Australia is lacking a sense of standards and like Canada has capitulated to the talkies."

This view conflicts with the opin-

## **OUT-OF-TOWN OPENINGS**

## PRESENT LAUGHTER

### (Opened Monday, May 2) **BUSHNELL MEMORIAL** AUDITORIUM, HARTFORD, CONN.

A comedy by Noel Coward. Staged by Martin Manulis. Stage manager, Henri Caubisens. Company manager, James Troup. Press rep-resentative, Dick Williams. Presented by Martin Manulis and C. Edward Knill by arrangement with John C. Wilson.

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Edward Everett Horton, the perennial Springtime for Henry star of the American Theater, has a chance, if Present Laughter's run is long enough, to show devotees of stage fare that he's capable of doing more than Henry alone. As Garry Essendine in Noel Coward's wry commentary on contemporary world affairs, he's Roads' direction keeping action at a hilarious.

All the Horton gestures, ad-libbing stage comments and extra bits of horseplay in the midst of apparently calm surroundings are present in great measure in Present Laughter, Resultantly, it would appear logical that this play is the ideal successor to Springtime for Horton. The role fits him like a ready-made suit.

What Laughter would be without Horton is a question. The star romps thru his paces and seems to pass on some of the infectious laughs to the rest of the competent cast. But in the final analysis it must be admitted that without him this company of Laughter would just be another road in all, the Zuccas will have to offer troupe.

## TWIN BEDS

May 14, 1949

(Reviewed Monday, May 2) NEW BEAUX ARTS COMEDIE THEATER, LOS ANGELES

A farce in three acts by Margaret Mayo and Salisbury Field. Presented by the New Beaux Arts Comedie Theater. Staged and directed by Michael Road. Sets, Dana Heiser. Lighting, George L. Vune. Stage manager, Frederick Gavlin. Press, Jule Pox and Jo Brooks.

Signor Monti .......................John Pelletti Blanche Hawkins...........Catherine Gittings Amanda Larkin.....Anna Polan Signora Monti.....Jaki Steadman Norah. ..... Barbara Sydney

Joe and Frank Zucca, who recently took over the Beaux Arts Theater, altered the house name by prefixing "new" and inserting "comedie," but despite these efforts at injecting fresh flavor into old hash, its stage still offers the same boudoir buffoonery with which it has been long identified. As bedroom farces go, Twin Beds has lost little of its laugh potential. Comedy of errors and mistaken identities is creditably handled by most of the cast, with Michael healthy clip.

Best of the lot is Jaki Steadman, whose clean-cut delivery and sense of milking the most out of a line goes far in keeping interest alive. Ken Harvey is convincing as the harrassed husband of a butterfly brained modern. John Pelletti as the Italian opera tenor fumbles the laugh ball and finally loses his chance of registering in the best role the vehicle has to offer. As the temperamental artist with a roving eye for the fems, Pelletti overacts to the point where he becomes unfunny, and toward the end, tiresome.

Set is well suited to the stage's limited dimensions and serves as a fitting backdrop to the action. All ticket-buyers more than they are now receiving to keep Twin Beds from folding. Lee Zhito.

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#### OPENINGS

Medea (City Center)

COMING UP

(Week of May 9)

Gayden..... 5-10, '49 (Plymouth) Concerto for Fun..... 5- 9, '49 (Mansfield)

#### CLOSINGS

The Happiest Years 4-25, (Lyceum)	'49
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Saturday (7)	
Saturday (7) Brune and Sidney 5- 3, (New Stages)	'49
Saturday (7)	
Mrs. Gibbons' Boys 5- 4, (Music Box)	'49
Saturday (7)	

ion of Sir Laurence Olivier who, when here with the Old Vic Company, stated that he would strongly recommend the early establishment of a National Theater. Guthrie's statement has been received with considerable disappointment by the proponents of the movement, which has been staging a vigorous campaign to educate the government on its urgency and feels that Guthrie has cut the ground from under their feet. One spokesman complained that he felt Guthrie had made his public announcement too soon after his arrival and without having visited all States and that possibly before he had completed his tour he would modify his views. The success of all good legit shows at present playing and those of recent months indicate by the success at the box office that the public legit shows and that a National The- the costumes by Forrest Thayer. ater would fill a much needed want.

### **Good Support**

In sum, Present Laughter concerns the amorous adventures of a matinee idol. Horton is given good support in this undertaking, with special bows slated on the books for Phyllis Kirk, as an adolescent who thinks she's in love, and Dudley Sadler, as a youthful admirer.

more or less standard, with Jane ter, deluxe movie temple, lighting Seymour coming thru adequately as the familiar stoical secretary; Marta Linden, as a siren, and Katherine Meskill offering just the right slant on the matinee idol's faithful wife. Basically, however, the cast succeeds days with Harvey during Easter admirably in catching the Cowardian frothy light-heartedness thru all three for the week-end vaude show staged acts. And while applause is being handed out, a bow should be given to was keenly interested in top-flight the staging by Martin Manulis and thru for legit shows to be installed at

Allen Widem.



MARY MARTIN, HOWARD LINDSAY AND GRACE HARTMAN, who respectively represent the actresses, actors and dancers on the committee for the Sixth Annual Donaldson Awards, discuss a sample of the scrolls which, together with gold keys, will be voted to the season's Broadway bests by popular ballot early next month, Photo by Lucas and Monroe Studio.

## Atl. City Warner's **Preps Legit Season**

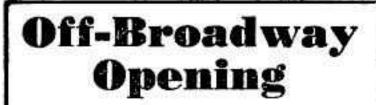
ATLANTIC CITY, May 7 .- Prospects are bright here for a summer Supporting characterizations are legit season, with the Warner Theafor round actors. The plan is for a road company of Oklahoma! to come in June 6 for an extended run.

Warner was interested in a legit season following a successful four week, as well as the good turnouts there out of season. The house returned to the field after a deal fell the Hippodrome on the Million Dollar Pier. Shubert interests nixed city's Convention Hall auditorium, where legit shows were staged in former seasons but without profit. Moreover, city fathers assured A. J. Vanni, local branch manager for the Warner Theaters circuit, that the Convention Hall site would not be leased for legit if the movie house adopted the policy.

ROUTES **Dramatic and Musical** Allegro (Great Northern) Chicago. Annie, Get Your Gun (Convention Hall) Tulsa, Okla., 11; (Convention Hall) Hutchinson, Kan., 12; (Music Hall) Kansas City, Mo., 13-14. Born Yesterday (Colonial) Boston. Brigadoon (Omaha) Omaha, 9-11; (KRNT Radio) Des Moines 12-14. Finian's Rainbow (Shubert) Chicago. Harvey (Town Hall) Toledo, O. Harvey (Capitol) Salt Lake City 12-13. High Button Shoes (Hanna) Cleveland. Inside of U. S. A. (Cass) Detroit. I Know My Love, with Lunt & Fontanne (Geary) San Francisco. Man and Superman, with Maurice Evans (Davidson) Milwaukee. Mr. Adams (Blackstone) Chicago. Mr. Roberts (Erlanger) Chicago. Oklahoma (Palace) Manchester, N. H. Oklahoma (Erlanger) Buffalo. O Mistress Mine (Carolina) Charlotte, N. C., 11: (National) Greensboro 12: (Carolina) Durham 13: (State) Raleigh 14.



#### LEGITIMATE 47



## **BRUNO AND SIDNEY**

(Opened Tuesday, May 3)

NEW STAGES THEATER

A comedy by Edward Caulfield. Staged by Philip Loeb. Setting by Robert Gundlach. Stage manager, William Hawley. Press representative, Ned Armstrong. Presented by New Stages, Inc.

Mrs. BaglioniPeggy Allenby
Fred GoodrichBilly Redfield
Miss LaceyAthena Lorde
Miss GlassJune Prudhomme
Hester Stanley Edythe Wood
GallagherLester Lonergan Jr.
BrackmanSalem Ludwig
Malloy Jimmy Little
HyacinthSylvia Davis
The DoctorPaul Mann
Joan
Carlyle Brokaw
Mr. Dill
Officer FeeneyGeorge Cotton
Dr. SchumannArnold Robertson

Down on Bleecker Street New Stages, Inc., have forsaken their early season, somewhat experimentally arty approach to the drama and come up with an unashamed, farce comedy bid for commercialism. It isn't likely that the New Stages' production of Edward Caulfield's slapstick nonsense about a wacky bunch of pro-and-con mouse enthusiasts in a remodeled New York tenement will spark managerial interest for a move up to Broadway. It's a novel idea for a farce-the sort of happy notion that Saroyan used to get. Caulfield has a flair for a comic line and gives Bruno and Sidney some chucklesome moments. Unfortunately the idea wears thin after a first act, and from there on in the author strings it out with any contrived situation, which ranges from social philosophizing to tasteless bedroom antics and stem to a frenzied fortnight. finish that is less than amusing.



## MEDEA

#### (Opened Monday, May 2)

#### CITY CENTER

A tragedy, adapted from the "Medes of Euripides" by Robinson Jeffers. Staged by Guthrie McClintic. Settings by Ben Edwards. Costumes by Castillo. Company manager, Charles Strakosch. Stage manager, There Marcuse. Press representative, Lorella Val-Mery. Presented by Guthrie McClintic. 

The Children:

Peter Monsen, James Francis McArdle First Woman of Corinth ...... Mary Servoss Second Woman of Corinth ..... Marian Seldes Third Woman of Corinth ..... Martha Downs Medea.....Judith Anderson Creon.....Frederic Worlock Aegeus.....Bruce Gordon Jason's Slave.....Theodore Marcuse Soldiers: Anthony Radecki and James Doyle

A year ago last October, on its opening night at the National Theater, this reporter tabbed the Robinson Jeffers adaptation of Medea an unlikely candidate for heavy commercial profit. He tabbed it a treat for real theater lovers who wouldn't want to miss the magnificence of the performance of Judith Anderson in the title role. He believed, however, that too few r. t. l.'s were around and about to make for over-heavy traffic at the b. o. So this reporter was wrong. Medea played 219 performances - long and successfully enough for Judith Anderson to be acclaimed the best dramatic actress of the season in the Fifth Annual Donaldson Awards. Now after a summer lay-off, followed by a long road trek, she brings it back for a two-week stand at the City Center. This reporter will not err twice. The town's temple of culture will be jammed to the roof for the next

Strangely enough, the current edi-Nobody, certainly, has dreamed up tion impresses as superior in many

**Actors' Fund Aids Needy Hundreds** 

NEW YORK, May 7.-Edwin Booth, Joseph Jefferson, Louis Aldrich, William H. Crane, William J. Florence, Bartley Campbell, Lester Wallack, A. M. Palmer, Daniel Frohman and a score of other theatrical greats of the period founded the Actors' Fund of America in 1882 as a charitable backlog for the aged and less fortunate members of their profession. Probably none of the founders imagined the scope which their small beginning was to achieve.

The Actors' Fund has prospered steadily for 67 years. In contrast to an original distribution of a few thousand dollars to the theater's needy, the Fund has distributed approximately \$260,000 over the past year. Ninety-six burials have been paid for since the last annual meeting, and there have been an average of 250 to 300 weekly recipients of its financial help. In addition, there are 24 guests in the Actors' Fund Home at Englewood, N. J.

in the gallery of theatrical artistry.

Too, the restaging by Guthrie Mc-Clintic is an improvement. The Jeffers adaptation, played primarily on and about a flight of stone steps with characters marching on stage for more or less declamatory interludes, can become static. McClintic's direction has injected fluidity and integration into the action and brought the off-stage background of events into closer reality to it. With the exception of Don McHenry as the tutor, the supporting cast is all new. Henry Brandon's Jason is the best this reviewer has seen to date, forceful, vigorous-with the declamatory curse taken off him by McClintic's astute direction. Frederic Worlock's Creon and Bruce Gordon's Aegeus are both worthy substitutions. If Hilda

## Broadway Opening

## MRS. GIBBONS' BOYS

(Opened Wednesday, May 4)

#### THE MUSIC BOX

A comedy by Will Glickman and Joseph Stein. Staged by George Abbott. Setting by John Root. Costumes by John Robert Lloyd. Company manager, Joseph Harris. Stage manager, Robert Griffith. Press repre-Richard Maney and Frank sentatives, Goodman. Presented by George Abbott. Myra Ward.....Glenda Farrell Mrs. Peggy Gibbons.....Lois Bolton Mr. Rausch......Richard Taber Lester MacMichaels.....Francis Compton Woodrow Grupp......Edward Andrews Francis X. Gibbons.....Richard Carlyle Rodla Gibbons......Ray Walston Ernie (Horse) Wagner.....Royal Dane 

It is completely mystifying that George Abbott should get himself involved with something like Mrs. Gibbons' Boys. Perhaps he saw a seed in it, which via rewriting and cultured by his staging might produce a bloom on Broadway. From all accounts there was plenty of face lifting lavished on the Will Glickman-Joseph Stein comedy-melo during its road break-in spin. But whatever frenzied nutrition was hypoed into it en route, Boys is not going to be a Stem blossom. In fact, it is not even going to sprout.

With the exception of a few amusing moments which stem (as has happened before in matters of this kind) from personal triumphs of the players over script vacuums, and rare intervals when Abbott's staging speeds it to outrageous farce proportions, the Glickman-Stein opus is a dull and repetitious affair. Somehow the whole premise of a doting, moronic mother protecting three rascally sons —two already in jail and one on probation-thru thick and thin-doesn't strike as a subject for hilarious comedy. When the widow's two elder hellions break jail and arrive in their mother's flat at the end of the first act in time to wreck her marital aspirations to a mouse-mouthed gas company cashier, there is nothing much left for the authors to do but kick them around indoors for the remaining stanzas, until they dutifully agree to go back to the cooler. The implications of the situation are rather grimmer than funny-and mostly duller than grim.

a screwier plot than the pursuit of a mouse, worth a potential \$20,000. Bruno is the colorful rodent's name, and along with his less spectacular partner, Sidney, he becomes the ward of a lad in quest of a writing scholarship, when the latter takes over an apartment from two previous fem inmates. When a neighborhood drunken medico discloses that Bruno is living on borrowed time at the ripe age of seven and is therefore immensely valuable to scientific research, a hectic mouse hunt ensues which involves the lad, his girl, his literary sponsor, his kittenish landlady and a tenant or two-not to mention sundry bums and thugs who come up from the saloon downstairs to get into the act. Caulfield has bagged a promising collection of squirrel-cage characters. There is the making in them for the development of a hilarious farce, but Caulfield hasn't been able to control it. He has had to resort to paddingand the padding shows woefully.

#### **Best Showcasing**

New Stages has given Bruno its best in showcasing. Philip Loeb has clocked it to the frenzied confusion its scripting demands; frequently it leaves him out on a limb. Robert Gundlach has designed an excellent small-stage interior of a decayed lower Third Avenue flat. The troupe's acting members work hard and long at their chores. Billy Redfield does well by the tough assignment of the central figure who has to hold the nonsense together. Lester Lonergan Jr., Salem Ludwig and Jimmy Little give matters a decided personal lift as a trio of intruding bums. Paul Mann makes the crackpot doctor amusing. There are other contributions, willing and eager, from Peggy Allenby, Joan Tompkins, June Prud'homme, Wendell Holmes and Kermit Murdock. In sum, the whole cast does far better by the play than its over-all merits. If the New Stages want to go giddy for their season wind-up, that's fine. But Bruno in its present shape isn't for Broadway. Bob Francis.

respects to the original at the National. It is hard to believe that the star can better a performance which literally stunned everyone who saw it. Now after many playings it has become super-polished for ease and richness. The vocal pyrotechnics are still there, the driving, overpowering intensity, but the original maniacal ferocity of the portrait has been shrewdly tempered with shadings to give its mood transitions an even greater impact. As a study of searing, barbaric hatred in a woman maddened by grief and trampled Medea has lost nothing and gained pride, it will take a permanent place | much.

Vaughn does not quite match the savage, protective foreboding which Florence Reed once put into the role of the nurse, she is still an excellent foil for the Anderson super-histrionics.

The production, by arrangement with original producers, Robert Whitehead and Oliver Rea, is still the same. Ben Edward's single setting highlights the steps to Medea's house in Corinth. The Castillo costumes are still moodily effective. Excepting the absence of Florence Reed, Bob Francis.

## **Insure** Your Vote

Each year for the past five years voting on the part of the people of the theater for the Donaldson Awards has increased. Now as preparations for the Sixth 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.

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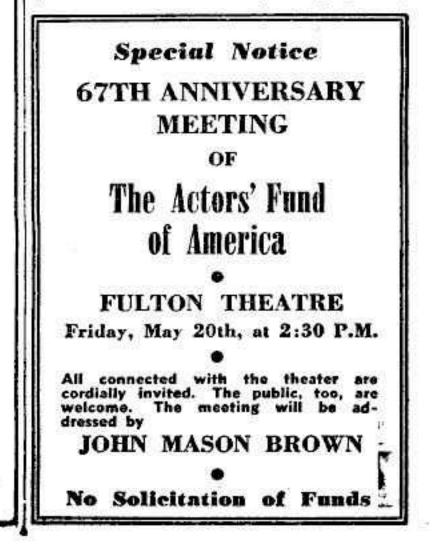
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#### Performances Help

However, these shenanigans are lightened, as said above, by such items as an outstanding performance from Royal Dano as a dead-panned prison pal of the boys, who takes himself seriously, and a really hilarious scene when Eddie Andrews as a chiseling wardheeler gets himself beat up by the Gibbons menage. Both the authors and Lois Bolton make Ma Gibbons too imbecile for belief and Francis Compton, good actor that he is, has a tough assignment handed him as the pushed around gas man. Richard Carlyle, Ray Walston and Tom Lewis make the boys too tough for comfort—and certainly too tough (See Mrs. Gibbons' Boys on page 83)





By Bill Sachs.

AL SHARPE'S recent carping here, lampooning a magic performance by members of a Denver magic org which he caught recently in that city, has served to prod a number of magical old-timers to write in to laud Sharpe on his criticism and to augment Sharpe's statements with a few beefs of their own. The general contents of the letters received are reflected in missives received from Harry Opel, Toledo magic vet, and Elmer Brandell, of Louisville, so we quote both pieces herewith.

Says Opel: "I want to compliment Al Sharpe for his letter in a recent issue anent the magic show he saw in Denver. We are told almost daily how low magic has fallen, but I still believe magic will live forever if it is properly presented. A lot of the evils may be traced to local magic clubs who accept any one for membership if he can do two things; first, pay his dues; second, buy magic tricks from the local magic store. It has been pointed out that the professional of tomorrow must come from the amateurs of today. So, we'll call them a necessary evil. However, what magic clubs should do is pass a strict rule not to allow any member of the club to appear in public until he is proficient enough to entertain an audience. Many amateurs fail to grasp the idea that there is a vast difference between doing tricks and entertaining. How many times have you seen a good town burned up for a pro magician by an amateur lacking savvy, showmanship and the ability to entertain, who thru a brutal performance made it virtually impossible for a legitimate magician to follow for a long time to come? Audiences seem never to forget a bad show and, as we are all magicians, we are all classed as being alike. Some years ago the Society of Osiris, of Baltimore, had a rule that each applicant had to do a show to join the Society. Thanks to Mr. Sharpe for his fearless criticism: Many years ago W. C. (Dorny) Dornfield wrote, 'We have many magicians but few entertainers.' How true!" Brandell says: "I was vitally interested in Sharpe's blowing his top about the expose of magic tricks and secrets by amateur magicians. Sharpe forgets that to be eligible for membership in a magical society all an aspirant needs is 'an interest in magic' and the initial dues. He is in. The by-laws now permit a member to do an hour show for \$5. Years ago a prospective member had to have some magic experience. Then they reduced the requirements to 'being interested in magic,' and that is the reason magic is going to hell. Briefly, if a half-wit stands with mouth wide open gasping at a dime trick in amazement, and he has \$5,

## New Distrib Twist: Same **Music Under Two Labels**

record distributing was uncovered here last week when it was learned that two local distributors, Advance and Frumkin Sales, were handling an album and one single side, and possibly four albums more, which contained the same masters under two entirely different labels. Both distribs are selling the merchandise for the same price, \$3.94 for the albums and 79 cents for the singles.

The Billboard obtained Imperial Album FD24, entitled Square Dance Without Calls, by Bill Mooney and his Cactus Twisters and a copy of a Colony Album 3 called Square Dances Without Calls by Bob Russell and the Rhythm Ramblers. When played simultaneously on a pair of synchronized turntables, it was found that the eight masters in the two albums were exactly the same note for note in title and tune treatment. A check of the eight masters in each album showed that the same master number was found on the Imperial album master as on the corresponding tune in the Colony package.

On the silver and black label of

he can join a magic fraternity. In New York and in some other cities to be a member of the exclusive magic clubs a man must be a 'magician,'

"Here is another thing to gripe about. An advertiser in one of the magical monthlies has made a fortune in selling luminous material for ghost shows. In return for the faith his customers had in him (this dealer requested that customers sign a certificate stating they would not reveal the secrets of the manufacturer or dealer. This was done to protect the dealer and the user, too; prove his ability before he could the latter principally) this dealer has album material on Imperial. stories published in a nationally known magazine exposing typographically and by illustration the actual secrets of luminous effects. So, today his customers have hundreds of dollars' worth of ghost material but can't do anything with it, as millions of people now know how the ghostly devices are operated and made. "Some national magic organizations were forced by fleeced customers to regulate to some extent the manufacture of unfit magic equipment. Sixty per cent of the stuff put on the market at a high price to the user and at an equivalent high profit for the maker is non-workable. Finally, when several publishers were forced to notify manufacturers that their advertisements would not be accepted if customer proved the magic tricks were unfit for use, the (See Magic Notes on page 83)

CHICAGO, May 7.- A new twist in the Colony masters was found the wording, "Manufactured by Colony Records, Inc., 135 N. Western, Los Angeles." On the Imperial Records' maroon and silver label was found the wording, "Manufactured by Imperial Record Company, 137-139 N. Western Avenue, Los Angeles." One single record was also uncovered. Colony record C121, which pairs Loves and Graces with Blackhawk Waltz by Bob Russell and the Rhythm Ramblers is note for note the same as a similar titled pairing on Imperial 1006, with the band on the Imperial side being listed as Al Toft and his orchestra.

> Further examination of the album covers on both the Imperial and Colony label revealed that the long folk dance descriptive passages, which cover both back and front inside covers, were word for word the same, except that on the Imperial album, the heading read: "Singing Squares by Paul Erfer," while that on the Colony album read: "Singing Squares." Type face and size of the copy was found to be the same in both albums. The last half of the inside back cover on the Imperial album lists other stock available on Imperial, while the same space on the Colony album advises the reader to watch for other forthcoming Colony albums.

> Art Velen, distributor chief of Advance, notified The Billboard late in 1946 that he was distributor for Imperial label. When checked last week, Velen said he was still a distributor for Advance and had not been advised otherwise by Lou Chudd, exec director of Imperial. Velen said he had ordered merchandise as late as yesterday and had just returned some records to Chudd. Velen supplied The Billboard with a list of available



EVELYN TAYLOR opened May 8 at the Hudson, Union City, N. J., as headliner in the Freddie Lewis-Joey Cowan unit. . . . Thelma White is at Prima's 500 Club, and Lois De-Fee, at the Sho-Bar, New Orleans. Sidney Pink sold his interests in the Belasco Theater, Los Angeles, to Monroe Goldstein, but still retains control of the Vista in Hollywood, where Ben DeDici is manager. . . . Video had Murray Briscoe, straight man, helping Milton Berle in the burly scene, "Slowly I Turn," May 3, and again on April 26, when Joe Fields and Lew Hearn, old-time burly comics, were the reinforcements. Loney Lewis shared spotlight honors with the Hartmans on another video program May 8. . . . Sammy Smith and Dolly Dawson opened May 13 at Fay's, Providence. . . . Manager Gus Flaig, with the closing of the Gayety, Baltimore, is working on television scripts for Eastern stations and plans to migrate West for a vacation with **Dottie Bell** (Mrs. Flaig). . . . Gypsy and Dexter Maitland have joined the Bob Rigg's show at the Follies, Los Angeles. . . . Jean Clark has moved from the Gayety, Baltimore, to the dancing line at the Hudson, Union City, N. J.

ESSICA ROGERS switched from the Howard, Boston, to the 2 o'Clock Club, Baltimore, May 8, thru Dave Cohn, whose other recent placements are **Renee** and **Trudine**, Ha Ha Club, New York; Joe Rio and Tirza, Club Fernando, Hartford, Conn.; Red Marshall, Belasco, Los Angeles; Princess Wah Wah Taysee and Janeen, Manhattan Club, Johnston, R. I., May 9; Trudy Wayne, Cat and Fiddle, Cincinnati; Sandra Seers, Flamingo Club, Chicago; Marie Cord, Sammy Price and Struts Flash, Veterans' Camp Shows, and Claude Mathis, Claudia, Al Golden, Ania Marie and Tanglefoot for Allen Gilbert with the Johnny J. Jones Exposition. . . Arabella Andre, while at Jack Kane's Park, Youngstown, O., last week, with Johnny Del Mar, threw a buffet lunch for the cast, (See Burlesque Notes, page 83)



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### **Frumkin Talks**

Hy Frumkin, chief of Frumkin Sales here, said he was advised in a letter from Colony Records, Los Angeles, a month ago, that they would have a square dance line available soon. He said he notified a representative of Colony, whose name he had never heard before, that he would take on the line two weeks ago. He said he received his first shipments early last week. A list of albums, which he said were available on Colony, corresponded tune for tune with a printed brochure which Velen gave The Billboard. Colony Album 1 corresponded in title and tune content with Imperial Album FD 24, while similar titles of albums and tunes were noted between Colony No. 2 and Imperial FD 22, and Colony No. 4 and Imperial FD 8. Checking of the entire music contents of albums, Colony No. 3 and Imperial FD 24 was the only one made at press time. Other albums were unobtainable before deadline.

#### Velen's View

Velen, when contacted, said he intended to continue marketing the Imperial line because "for the past three years I've taken that Imperial folk dance line and built it into something that is recognized in the four-State area (Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa and Indiana) which I cover." Velen said he had a \$10,000 inventory of Imperial platters on his floor, which he "intended to protect."

Frumkin, when queried, said he did not know of the duplication of the two lines, explaining that he had taken on the line to strengthen his coverage in the folk dance field. He said he did not intend to give up the Colony line because "the minute I drop it, someone else will pick it up in this territory." Frumkin said that he had just started receiving merchandise.

One record retailer, it was learned, stocked both albums only to learn from a folk dance fan that the contents of both albums were exactly the same. The customer returned the Colony album immediately.

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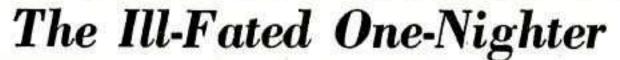
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## **Bloomfield Owners Seek Nullification Of Drive-In Permit**

BLOOMFIELD, Conn., May 7 .- A number of local property owners have appealed to the Common Pleas Court from a Bloomfield Zoning Board of Appeals decision which granted a five-year temporary permit to Philip W. Maher for the construction and operation of an outdoor theater here.

The appeal notes that sometime ago in spite of the opinion submitted to the board by the town attorney, despite the lack of proof of sufficient facts to warrant the variance of application of zoning regulations of said town, and despite the denial by the E.oomfield Town Plan and Zoning Commission of Maher's application for a change of zone, the zoning board granted Maher a temporary permit. The property owners charge that the construction cost for the theater will be more than \$100,000 and because of the type of construction, the build-(See Bloomfield Owners on page 96)



By Henry (Happy) Gowland-

IN THE SPRING of 1913 an aggre- to be presented in Western style and gation of actors, musicians and a I was to ride a horse. few actresses ventured out of New

Orleans on a one-night stand expedition under canvas. It was billed The Cowboy Girl. The girl had never seen a cow-she thought wagons gave milk.

The show was well billed and had a fairly good company, but there was one bad feature, a severe lack of money. After the first 10 days out, the show began to sour, pay day was forgotten and there was just enough money each time to get out of town. This was the first I learned of money rationing. The show continued spoiling until we reached a little town in Missisippi, when it decayed.

While in this peaceful little town our manager conceived the brilliant idea of holding a street parade. He invested the last \$11 we had in the treasury to hire some worn-out plow horses and a badly worn carriage in which the ladies could ride. It was

I tried to explain to the leading man, who was a talented rider, that the only horse I ever rode was on a Merry-Go-Round, and then I had to hold on to the bar. I wouldn't dare go for the ring for fear of falling. But all of this was in vain. To top my Western costume was a pair of spurs, which not only proved my downfall but the downfall of the parade and show as well.

As the parade reached its destination, which was the Courthouse Square, and gave a concert, the manager, sitting atop one of the plugs with hat in hand, made the big announcement about everyone with the show. At the end of his speech we started to parade back to the lot. For no apparent reason my horse refused to move. Since the most natural thing to do was to kick him with my neels I did, but gave no thought to my spurs. The horse took off like (See ONE NIGHTER on page 96)

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CINCINNATI, April 30.-Richard Chapman, old-time repster, in a letter to The Billboard this week said that he has noted the articles penned by Will H. Locke and other old-timers in recent issues, "but all seem to stop in the middle." "After the Stetson Tom Show passed into the hands of Washburn, what became of Harry Stetson?" he asks.

"In 1902 Harry had turned to the one production. I was with him in The Holy City, produced by Gordon and Bennett. Incidentally, Harry Gordon visited me recently. The subject of Tom shows deserves a spoke in the theatrical wheel, but I con-(See 1-Piece Production on page 96)





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## A. M. Ellis Adds **Drive-In Interests**

PHILADELPHIA, May 7 .-- A. M. Ellis, who operates drive-in theaters in neighboring New Jersey, has expanded his open-air movie holdings with the purchase last week of a 50 per cent interest in the Mahoning Drive-In, near Lehighton, Pa., operated by Rappaport and Shirer. Perry Lessey, house manager for the Warner Theater circuit some years ago, has been named manager of the Lincoln Drive-In Theater here.

The S & F Improvement Corporation, across the river in Camden. N. J., headed by V. C. Smith, was issued a building permit to construct an open-air theater on the Brunswick Pike outside of Trenton, N. J. Permit calls for an initial construction on a 16-acre tract of land of a ticket booth, comfort station and projection room at a cost of \$16,800.

## **Lillibridges Form Own Unit for Road**

FREEDOM, Pa., May 7.-Sammy and Tommy Lillibridge, formerly with Happy Bill and the Chic Boyes shows, have organized their own unit, which is being presented under auspices in Western Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia.

Tommy Lillibridge says the line-up includes two one-act plays, hand balancing routines, juggling, wire walking dog, bits and magic.

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## **New Location for Sayers**

HARTFORD, Conn., May 7 .--Construction has been started on an outdoor motion picture theater at Rochester, N. H., by James Sayers, who owns the Pine Island Drive-In Theater, at Manchester, N. H.

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ALDERTON-John Henry Jr., 42, president of the record manufacturing company, Music You Enjoy, Inc., May 4 in New York. He first became connected with the record business when he joined Media Records, Inc., in 1933. From there he went into the newspaper business, and then organized Music You Enjoy in 1939. His widow, daughter, son and father survive.

BACIGALUPI — John J. Sr., 53, musical instrument research engineer and brother of Louis Bacigalupi, a member of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association, at his Los Angeles home, April 29. A native of Germany, he settled here in 1929. In addition to his brother, his widow, two daughters and a son survive. Interment in Inglewood Cemetery.

BENSON—Otis, 73, for many years with med shows, April 28 of a heart attack at his home in Cincinnati. Survived by widow, Katherine. Crematory services in Cincinnati.

BOOS-Elmer J., 60, vice-president and treasurer of the Crosley Broadcasting Corporation, May 3 in Bethesda Hospital, Cincinnati, Primarily a railroad executive, Boos joined the Crosley Broadcasting Corporation in 1942 as comptroller and was named veepee in 1946. During World War II he was in charge of the administrative activities connected with short wave transmitters for overseas use of the Office of War Information. Survived by his widow, Edna; son, Julian, and a daughter, Mrs. Katerine Hunsinger, all of Cincinnati.

BOYD-Thomas E., 55, former orchestra leader in Sacramento, April 29. From 1923 to 1926 he led the Clune Theater orchestra, Sacramento, also conducting the orchestra at the White Theater, Fresno, two days a week. In 1927 he was named musical director of the Orpheum Theater, San Francisco, where he remained until 1931. After playing in Hollywood for several years, he returned to Sacramento where he taught music in public schools. He was a lifetime member of American Federation of Musicians Local 12, Sacramento.

## THE FINAL CURTAIN

Survived by a sister. (Further details) in the Carnival Department.)

HASHIMOTO-Osai, who with her husband, Frank, comprised the handbalancing, ground-tumbling act known as Hashi and Osai, April 28 in American Hospital, Chicago. The act had played the major vaude circuits, indoor circuses, had been with the geles. Ringling and Hagenbeck-Wallace circuses and was a standard fair act for the Barnes-Carruthers office for many years.

HICKEY-Mrs. Esther C., 33, wife of Daniel Hickey, reservation manager at the Netherland Plaza Hotel, Cincinnati, and daughter of Milford Unger, manager of the Guild Theater and former manager of the old Grand Opera House, Cincinnati, May 7 in Good Samaritan Hospital, that city. She also leaves a daughter, Mary; her parents and three sisters, Mrs. James Delmonaco; Mrs. Ridgley Smith and Rita, all of Cincinnati. Burial in St. Joseph Cemetery, Cincinnati, May 10.

HICKMAN-Lee, 75, former featured burlesque comedian, April 30 in Brooklyn. He retired 20 years ago. Survived by his widow, Arabelle, and son, Joel. Services in Brooklyn May 4.

JOLLIFFE—Norman, 62, singing teacher and baritone soloist, April 30 in New York. He sang in the East and Midwest and over the National Broadcasting Company in the 1920s. His widow, two sisters and a brother survive.

KENNEDY-Joseph C., 59, former actor and member of the Canadian Bioscope Company, early-day film company, May 4 in Halifax, N. S. He also played in stock companies thruout the Eastern United States.

LEVER-Mrs. Aida Gale, 64, British concert contralto and oratorio singer, April 30 in Mt. Vernon, N. Y. Her husband, Haley, and three brothers survive.

LUNHAM-Clayton W., 62, opera

for the Berlin Philharmonic, in 1891 he became soloist for the Chicago Symphony, which post he held for 19 years. His daughter survives. three children. Her husband, a son, TUCKER-Carl, 45, composer and Marvin, and two daughters, Mrs. J

pianist, April 28 in New York. Born in New York, Tucker was educated in Europe and wrote scores for nine films in Paris. Later he wrote three musical comedies produced in London. Two of them were Revue de Paris and Fritzie. His works also include symphonies and symphonic poems. His widow, mother and three sons survive.

Monica, Calif. A former cello soloist

VANDERZANDEN-Henri, orchestra leader and music director, April 28 in Demarest, N. J. Born in Brussels, he was the director of music at the Grand Hotel in Paris from 1902 to 1915. From then until his retirement in 1931, Vanderzanden was director of music at various times at the Ritz-Carlton, the Astor and the Ambassador hotels in New York and The Brook in Saratoga, N. Y. His widow and son survive.

WILCOX-E. H., 62, known professionally as Uncle Dan, of Polly Jenkins and Her Pals, suddenly May 4 in Springfield, Mass. A trouper for forty-five years, Wilcox broke into show business with the Derue Brothers Minstrels. Survived by a son and daughter, of Miami.

WILLARD-Joseph S., 75, former owner of J. W. Pepper & Son, music publishers, May 2 in Germantown, Pa. He was at one time a director of musical comedies. His daughter and brother, James A. Willard, known to radio and television audiences as "Uncle Jim," survive.

YOUNG - Jean Charles, 57 stepfather of Faye Emerson, film and legit actress. April 27 in San Diego. Calif.

## Marriages

ALLERDICE-BYNUM - David Way Allerdice, advertising exec, and Iris Bynum, former actress, April

May 12, 1947 **Polly Peters** PORTERFIELD-Elmer, 76, former circus Side Show juggler, recently in Sioux Falls, S. D. He was with the

Shurly Horwitz and Mrs. Milton H.

Sims, survive. Intermentein Beth El

outdoor show business and the wife

of Jack Murray, May 5 in Los An-

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MURRAY-Kate, well known in

Memorial Park, Detroit.

Russell Bros.' Circus some 15 years ago. There are no known relatives. Services and burial in Sioux Falls.

REDELL-Walter S., father of Don Redell, Midwest field man for MGM Records, recently in New York.

REED-Bennie H., 54, former wellknown minstrel, April 29 in Houston. During the early '20s he appeared in George White's Scandals on Broadway and in an Al Jolson revue at the old Winter Garden. New York. He retired from show business 10 years ago. Survived by two sisters, Mrs. 28 in Santa Monica, Calif.

## RICCARDO CANESTRELLI

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CANESTRELLI-Ricardo, father of Frederico and Ottavio Novello, of the Novellos, in Pauda, Italy, April 21. He also leaves four other sons and four daughters.

CAREY-Gus, old-time dramatic and med show performer, recently at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brennan, Brenham, Tex. Carey had been associated with the Brennans for the past 25 years in the act known as the Musical Brennans. Burial in Catholic Cemetery, Brenham, Tex.

COLSON-Walton H., 55, father of Nadine, of the vaude team of Nadine and Charles, and a former correspondent for The Billboard, May 1 in Jacksonville, Fla. He also leaves his wife, Vera; two sisters and a brother.

CORNELL-Mrs. Martha, 31, wife of Syd Cornell, announcer at Station WKRC, Cincinnati, May 5 at her home in Cincinnati of a heart ailment. She also leaves a daughter, Virginia; her mother, Mrs. Sara Kaufmann; two sisters, Lillian, and Mrs. Stanley Lovitt, and a brother, Max Kaufmann, all of Cincinnati.

FREETHY-Leon, 34, driver with Douglas Greater Shows, May 3 in Eugene, Ore., of accidental asphyxiation.

HANLEY-Fred, 57, manager of the Johnny Branson enterprises with the Wallace Bros.' Shows of Canada, April 30 in Windsor, Ont., of a heart attack. He had been associated with Branson for 10 years, and before that had been an animal trainer with various shows.

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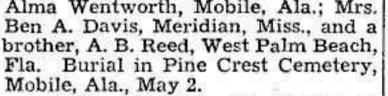
tenor and composer, May 1 in Corona, Calif. He was with the Chicago Civic Opera, organized a concert company bearing his own name and sang with the Redpath Vander Chautauqua. His widow, a daughter and three brothers survive.

MACK-Robert, 72, former actor and songwriter, May 2 in Jamaica, L. I., N. Y. His first song, Always Remember Mother, was written in 1882.

MAETERLINCK-Count Maurice, 86, prominent Belgian author, May 6 in Nice, France. Among his works were Pelleas et Melisande, which was made into an opera by Claude Debussy, and the Bluebird, which was made into a movie starring Shirley Temple.

MEYERS—John, 71, one of the first recording artists for Columbia, Victor and Edison, May 3 in Flushing, N.Y. His first job was as a pianist and arranger for a 72-man band which toured the country. Later he became a singer, and with the Peerless Quartet and the Sterling Trio made some of the earliest recordings. He toured the country from 1915 to 1930 in the Victor artists' groups. His widow survives.

MINTZ-Charlotte, Detroit theater owner, recently following a two-day illness. She established the Monroe Theater in 1912, and it was operated by her husband, Sam, until 1945

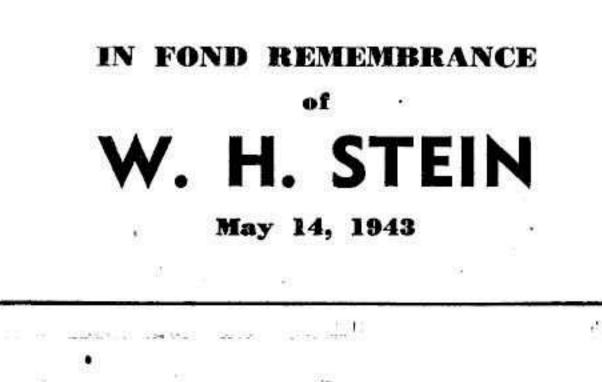


RIDER-Albert C., 76, director of public relations and radio advertising for the Cherry & Webb Company, April 29 in Providence. He was the educational director of the company's

station, WPRO. SALATO—Vladimir, in France in 1945 while on tour with a USO unit, buried May 2 at Forest Lawn, Glendale, Calif. Survived by his widow. a daughter and his parents.

SCULLY-William J., 60, veteran motion picture production manager and former assistant director at St. Vincent's Hospital, Los Angeles, May 1, after being ill for several months. He entered pictures in 1914 with the old Biograph Studios and in 1925 went to work for Cecil B. DeMille. Since then he has been associated as production manager or assistant director at, MGM, 20th Century-Fox, Paramount and Universal-International. His most recent films were Three Godfathers and She Wore a Yellow Ribbon, the latter not yet released. He was a past president of the Assistant Directors' Guild and was active in the Unit Manager Guild and a trustee of the Motion Picture Relief Fund. His widow, Evelyn, two daughters and a son survive.

STEINDEL-Bruno Karl, 82, forwhen it was turned over to their mer concert cellist, May 4 in Santa



ALTSHULER-DREW-Dr. Ira Altshuler, Detroit psychiatrist, and Paula Drew, screen actress, at Bowling Green, O., May 4.

BLOOMFIELD-MILLER - David Dwight Bloomfield and Marjory Miller, legit and radio actress, April 29 in Longmeadow, Mass.

COHEN-WINKLER-Edward Cohen, former concessionaire, and Sylvia Winkler, non-pro, May 1 in New York.

HOGG-SHUBICK-Len Hogg, engineer at Station WXYZ, Detroit, and Marjorie Shubick, former traffic manager of WTAC, Flint, Mich., in Detroit May 7.

JENKINS-WATSON-Joe Jenkins, former bingo operator with the W. E. West Shows, and Florence Watson April 26 in Las Vegas, Nev.

MOFFETT-BROOK - Lt. Charles Moffett and Faith Brook, actress and daughter of Clive Brook, May 2 in London.

ONDEK-MARTIN-Steve Ondek. former vaude producer and dancer. now a dance school operator in Bridgeport, Conn., and Anne Martin April 23 in Greenwich, Conn.

ORR-KEPLINGER - Frank Orr. KQV publicity director, and Marian Keplinger, April 25 in Martinsburg. W. Va.

## Births

Twin sons, David Edgar and Ronald James, to Mr. and Mrs. John H. McGraw in Detroit April 20. Father is an engineer at Station WXYZ.

A daughter, April Gay, to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Watson in Pasadena, Calif., April 15. Father is an account executive with Station KMPC.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Choate April 24 in Tarrytown, N. Y. Father is the legit producer.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Downs April 26 in Chicago. Father is an announcer for the National Broadcasting Company.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Al Kennedy April 26 in Pittsburgh, Father is with the Joey Sims ork.

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**R-B SETS NEW GOTHAM MARK** 

Chicago Events Draw Protests

Funk Resigns, Banquets Night and Date-Friel Is Named Conflicting Fair, Park Execs' Det. Fair Mgr.

## **Moves Spark Speculation**

DETROIT, May 7.-Hazen Funk resigned Friday (6) as manager of the Michigan State Fair after a threemonth drawn battle following the expressed disapproval of Gov. G. Mennen Williams at his retention in that post.

Funk apparently could not be ousted legally but the situation became untenable with the State administration holding various controls over details of fair operation.

The new appointee is James D. Friel, former Wayne County auditor and former candidate for mayor of Detroit. Friel had been boomed for the post following Williams' election and before Funk's reappointment by the State fair board.

### To Stay on 60 Days

At the time of Funk's reappointment, the governor, a Democrat who assumed office January 1, expressed dissatisfaction with the reappointment

CHICAGO, May 7.—Fair men and men in a joint banquet. This offer park execs, particularly those who here for the annual winter outdoor conventions, will find themselves in a guandary when it comes to attending banquets of those groups unless something is done to clear up an existing conflict in scheduling.

Both the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools & Beaches and the International Association of Fairs and Expositions have scheduled their banquets for the same night, Tuesday, November 29, in Hotel Sherman.

#### NAAPPB Repeats

The NAAPPB last year held its banquet on a Tuesday night, while the IAFE had a buffet dinner on another night. At the '48 convention, however, the IAFE voted to expand its buffet dinner into a full-scale banquet, and, subsequently, it slated its 1949 banquet for the same night as that of the park men.

The reason, Frank Kingman, IAFE secretary says, is that Tuesday is the only night of the convention period that the hotel could assure a banquet room for the fair men. Upon learning of the conflict, some fair and park men protested. They want to attend both events and they requested the IAFE to change its night.

was declined. In explanation, Kingdouble in both fields and who come man said that the fair men wish to retain their own identity and to have their own banquet.

> Protests over the existing conflict have gathered strength. As a result, a mail poll of members of the IAFE's board of directors now is being made to determine whether the fair men should hold their banquet on the same night as that of the park execs.

> West Coast Auto **Race Season Off To Good Start**

LOS ANGELES, May 7.—All types of auto racing from midget to hot rods are off to a good season's start in California, approximately 20,000 the entire run. At \$5, plus \$1 tax, fans having clicked thru the turnstiles in four meets.

City Stadium is proving a good draw, usual, the higher-bracket pews were pulling 5,871 patrons for a nine-card midget racing event Saturday (30) which featured a 40-lap main event copped by Allan Heath, with Edgar Elgar and Jim Bryan following him to the finish line. The same night the hot rods rolled at Carrell Speedway, Southgate, before 5,850 fans. Feature was a six-lap run off from two 25-lap semi main events, won by Jack McGrath, with Roy Prosser and Pat Flaherty runners up. Huntington Beach Speedway drew 2,100 fans Friday night (29) to witness the 30-lap main event taken by George Seeger. Leroy Nooks and Troy Ruttman were second and third, respectively. The big car racing season got under way at the Oakland Speedway Sunday (1) before a crowd of 5,777 which featured a main event of 35 laps won by Bud Sennett. Art George and Joe Gemsa followed him to the checkered flag.

## 33 - Day Stand **Tops \$2 Million** Burkhardt inked to assist

Duval—org may have to **by-pass lucrative Jersey** 

NEW YORK, May 7.-With the final week practically a sellout, the Ringling circus is set to top last season's \$2,000,000 gross by about \$200.-000. Equaling or surpassing last season's take became a certainty early last week when the gross and advance sales reached a figure that assured the management that a record would be attained even before the end of the Madison Square Garden 33-day (65 performance) run Sunday (8) night.

A total of 980,000 spectators will have witnessed the show when it folds tomorrow night (8) and heads for Boston. This tops last year's gate of 924,000 by 56,000 according to a press department announcement.

A factor in the Big One's jackpot was the addition of some 570 ringside seats in front of the side loges, which were sellouts during practically the sale of these seats sweetened the kitty by close to \$200,000, or about The new dirt track at the Culver 10 per cent of the net for the run. As

which was made by a Republicandominated fair board.

Funk will continue with the State fair for 60 days at the request of the governor, who asked him to remain temporarily to advise Friel on the fair's operating procedure.

The resignation of Funk and the appointment of Friel sparked speculation as to whether any of the contractual commitments for the '49 fair made by Funk and the fair board would be canceled.

### **Plans To Stress Names**

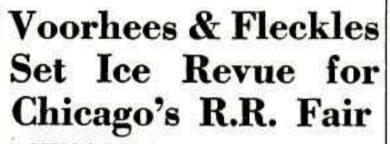
Friel today declined to comment upon such a possibility. He said he planned to devote his time early next week to reviewing contracts already signed. Legally, it is believed that all contracts awarded by the State Fair board and subsequently approved by the various State departments involved would be unassailable.

signed and have been approved by October 2. other State departments.

Discussing his plans for the '49 fair, Friel said that he plans to inlast year, inasmuch as this is the 1,500 is to be built for it. fair's centennial year.

### Want Own Banquet

Paul Huedepohl, NAAPPB secretary, joined in the protest. He reports he went so far as to suggest that the fair men join with the park



CHICAGO, May 7.-An ice show, underwritten by suppliers of railroad equipment and produced and staged by Voorhees & Fleckles Fair Booking Association, this city, will be a The midway contract is held by feature of the Chicago Railroad Fair Floyd E. Gooding, Columbus, O. Most in its second year's run here beginof the concession contracts have been ning June 25 and running thru

Unit will have a 15-people cast plus a six-piece ork and be presented on a specially constructed 24 by 40-foot crease expenditures for attractions rink, L. N. Fleckles, of the booking and advertising by 40 per cent over office, said. An arena seating around

Six performances daily are planned. Indications are that the show will be offered for free but there is a slight possibility that the sponsoring railroad suppliers may put on a small admission charge.

## **4 Beatty Tootlers Injured** in Crash

LOS ANGELES, May 7 .- Percy W. Cayuga and Joe Willis are in a serious condition in General Hospital here from injuries and burns sustained April 30 when a Clyde Beatty Circus truck crashed into a tree. causing a butane gas tank to explode. Also injured and reported in satisfactory condition at the hospital are Dave Cayuga and Lowney P. Harris. All are members of the band.

The circus had played Burbank wood for its May 1 stand.

## Les Anderson Named P.A. **For Portland Ice Arena**

PORTLAND, Ore., May 7. - Les Anderson, formerly with Ice Cycles, has been named publicity director of the Portland Ice Arena, Harry Shipstead, manager, announces. Shipstead's brothers, Roy and Eddie, own Ice Follies.

Plans are to have Anderson publicize Ice Follies and Ice Capades when the two shows reach the Coast. and was being taken to North Holly- Ice Follies is booked for Portland May 24-June 5.

## Notice

NEW YORK, May 7.-If you ordered mail-order cigarettes from an ad that ran in The Billboard and other publications from September to December, 1948, and never got them because the advertiser went bankrupt, here's how to get your money back. A single company was represented by the three whose names were used in the ad: Popular Mail Service, Allison Tobacco Company and Reliable Mail Order Company, all of Wilmington, Del. This firm went into bankruptcy February 4, 1949. If your money was received by the firm on or before that date, file a claim with William Cahil, referee in bankruptcy, Federal Building, Newark, N. J., before May 18. If the firm received your money later than February 4, orders will be filled and shipped at some later date.

at a premium even during the opening week when over-all attendance was light.

Pat Valdo and his staff have ironed out most of the bugs and the show has been running smoothly. It is (See R-B SETS on page 61)

## Heidelberg, Pa., Schedules Heavy **Attraction Bill**

HEIDELBERG, Pa., May 7.-The year-old Heidelberg Raceway bids fair to become one of the East's outstanding outdoor sports and entertainment arenas this season as a result of heavy attraction bookings by General Manager Jack White.

Twenty-six racing programs, two thrill shows, a rodeo and the White Horse troupe, booked by Sunny Bernet, have been carded, White said. Additional attractions also will be signed.

Motor speed program consists of 20 midget racing programs, four AAA-sanctioned big car race meets and two AMA-sanctioned motorcycle programs. First big car meet, under direction of Sam Nunis, will be staged Sunday (22), to open the raceway's season. The midgets will bow Decoration Day with a 100-lap race on the half-mile, semi-banked track, with the first motorcycle program slated for June 5.

Joie Chitwood's thrill show will be in May 28-29, Irish Horan's Lucky Hell Drivers June 24-26, the Flying X Ranch Rodeo July 8-10 and the White Horse troupe July 15-17.

The arena, which seats 16,000, has a quarter-mile track, used for the weekly midget races, in addition to a half-mile track. Since the close of last season, the parking area, which affords space for 8,000 cars, has been leveled and dust-proofed, the apron between the stands and the track wall and fence has been macadamized. stands have been repainted, and the track also has been dust-proofed. The raceway is about seven miles from the Pittsburgh business district.

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#### GENERAL OUTDOOR 52

May 14, 1949



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Making a Lot Out of a Little Harry Seber's Girl Show Plan By Sam Abbott-

(This is another in a series of articles on little-known facts about people prominent in outdoor show business.)

VAKIMA, Wash., will always remember that big parade in the spring of 1924 when a handful of musicians created the impression that Kelly's Comedians were the big attraction in town. "Impression" is the correct word, for the bands of the Al G. Barnes Circus and Georgia Minstrels, the No. 1 and No. 2 shows playing day and date with Kelly, were parading when

out of a side street marched the Kelly group to corral the other two bands and lead them, giving the appearance of the Comedians having a 60-piece outfit.

The man who guided Kelly's Comedians into top spot that day has other feathers in his cap. He is Harry George Seber, one of the most outstanding girl show producers in the nation, the oldest living past president of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association, the only man to ever serve both the PCSA and the Show Folks of America, San Francisco Chapter No. 2, as president, and who now hopes to see his literary brainchild, All Show Folks Go to Heaven, made into a movie with the SFA and PCSA splitting the money from the story. The Yakima incident is typical of Seber, who always has had a flare for extravaganzas and the ability to turn little things into big ones.



HARRY GEORGE SEBER

The name of Seber has been connected with show business more than 40 years. Born in San Diego, Seber started to work at an early age. While employed by his uncle and aunt in a restaurant they owned on Fifth Street, he was offered a job working in Hall's Tour Car in Los Angeles. Seber never got to Los Angeles, where the tour car then was playing, for about that time the uncle and aunt closed their restaurant and Seber talked them into putting the tour car into the vacant store.

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## Out in the upen

and Paul Miller, are getting set to hit the road with the Big One. . . Globe-trotting Bill Powell is touring Italy, where he has visited the Medrano Sisters Circus, in Genoa, and the Circus Zoppe, in Naples. Umberto Schichtholz, European representative of the Ringling circus, has given up his office in Milan, Italy, and has opened up quarters in Paris. . . . Joe Bowers, at one time manager of the late Tom Mix, has returned to New York after a 36-week tour with Show Boat. . . . C. S. Primrose, contracting press agent for Clyde Beatty, recently visited T. W. Culligan in San Mateo, Calif. It was the first meeting between the two since 1902, when Culligan was owner-manager of the Nashville Students and Primrose was ownermanager of Uncle Si Hakins's unit.

Fred P. Pitzer, co-founder of the Circus Saints and Sinners; George Lewis, director of the National Laugh Foundation, and Walter Gibson, authority on magic, have formed a new firm, Entertainment Counselors, with offices in New York, for the purpose of supplying talent at banquets, conventions and exhibitions staged by industrial and financial organizations. . . . Fred C. Murray, general manager of the International Fireworks Company, Jersey City, N. J., is staging pyro shows almost nightly in that town in connection with the current hot political battle in which the Frank Hague forces again figure promiwill reopen the Long Branch dog races, rodeos and circuses. . . . The May 14 issue of Collier's carries a feature, written by Thomas White-side, on the Allan Herschell Company, North Tonawanda, N. Y. Story traces the history of the John races weekly.

Ringling concessionaires, Frank | Wendler family as ride manufacturers and the history of the Merry-Go-Round.

> George A. Schmidt, presidentgeneral manager of Riverview Park, Chicago, thinks all outdoor show business could take a tip from the railroads regarding the move to do away with the 15 per cent federal tax. Schmidt sends along a card his son, Bill, picked up in the railroad station at Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

> A penny post card, which is meant for travelers to send their congressmen, reads:

> "I have just been compelled to pay 15 per cent transportation tax on a ticket from — to —, valued at —, I understand this was a war tax to curb non-essential travel, but as the war ended three years ago I feel the necessity for this tax no longer exists. I wish you would use your influence to bring about its repeal in the new session of Congress."

> Card has a place for the person's signature and address.

> "The thought occurred to me if all outdoor amusement men would spend from \$5 to \$25 on propaganda of this kind, quite an impression could be made in Washington on our own admission tax matter," Schmidt said.

## **Block Pilots Pittston Track**

PITTSTON, Pa., May 7.-Barney Block, former advance man and pubnently. . . . Dick Brussell, Paterson, licity director for Jack Kochman's N. J., op, announces that he Hell Drivers, has joined Ed Otto and will manage Bone Stadium track track in Long Branch, N. 'J., shortly here. He'll also assist in exploiting after Decoration Day. Plans call Joe Chitwood's Hell Drivers during for the presentation of midget auto the season. Block was with Kochman for three years following his discharge from the navy. Block will have direct charge of the local track, one of four in the Eastern Circuit, where Otto promotes midget car

## Trisco, R-B Aerialist, Hurt in 40-Foot Fall

NEW YORK, May 7.-Aerialist Frederich Hermsen (Great Trisco) received painful injuries last night (6) when he plunged to the arena floor of Madison Square Garden while performing with the Ringling-Barnum circus.

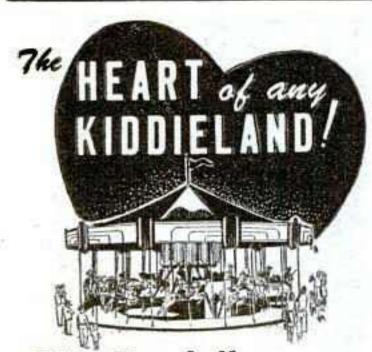
At the Polyclinic Hospital, where he was taken after receiving first aid from the circus physician, Dr. A. R. Pils, Hermsen was reported in very good condition today. He suffered a fracture of the left arm and body bruises. His wife, who as-sists in the act, witnessed the fall along with a capacity audience.

The fall marred the Big Show's accident-free record for the run here. Hermsen, who is 35, is in his second season with the show.

## **Rogers Bros. Gets Full** House at Concord, N. C.

CONCORD, N. C., May 7 .- Despite being more than an hour late starting, Rogers Bros. scored with a full house at the matinee here Tuesday (3). Night show drew three quarters. Weather was excellent.

At Kannapolis, N. C., (2) threatening weather in the afternoon and rain at night hurt, attendance at both performances being light. Org also ran into rain at Salisbury, N. C., April 29, but attendance was good, night show getting a full one after a strong matinee.



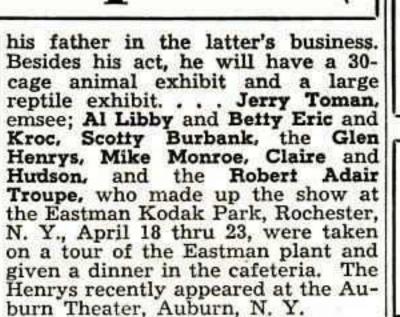
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Ira Millette, aerialist with the his father in the latter's business. Ringling circus, has produced a new high sway pole act, Fearless Phillips, which is being booked by the Al Martin office, in Boston, for park and fair dates this summer. Millette will remain with the Big One. . . . Harald Voise's flying trapeze act, the Flying Haralds, currently with the Ringling circus, will leave the Big Show after the run at the Boston Garden and open with the Tom Packs Circus, June 6 at Nashville. . . . Woolford's Daschshunds, playing with the Ringling circus in New York and Boston, will switch to park and fair dates, under the Barnes-Carruthers' banner, at the close of the Boston run. . . . Frank Evers and Dolores, American wire-walking duo, off to a good start on their tour of English vaude houses, opening at the Hippodrome, in Brighton in mid-April.

Raynor Lehr, of the Bert Levey office, has inked a deal to supply a high act for six days and a grandstand show for three days during the Turlock District Fair, August 8-13, Turlock, Calif. Already signed are Jack Cavanaugh, Western act; Pinky the Clown and Cheetah; The Great Lockman, escape artist; Betty Reed, Bobby Graham and the Lee Sisters. Also signed by Lehr are Irene Vermillion and Company, the Zella Wynna Girls, Joe Mall and the Gay '90s Revue and Herb Wilkins ork for the San Fernando Valley Fair, Northridge, September 1-5. . . . Peter Hoxworth, blind Australian bullwhip artist, is going to play California fairs, rodeos and celebrations this summer under the management of Johnny Brown. Before being blinded in World War II, Hoxworth toured with carnivals and such orgs as Ringling and Al G. Barnes, where he did a strong man act. He recently headlined a show at the Sawtelle Veterans Hospital, Sawtelle, Calif., which featured Leigh Sterling, emsee; Kenny Treadwell, Dick Love, Tovar Sisters, Rickie Lane, Terrell Tempo and John Blair Casparas.



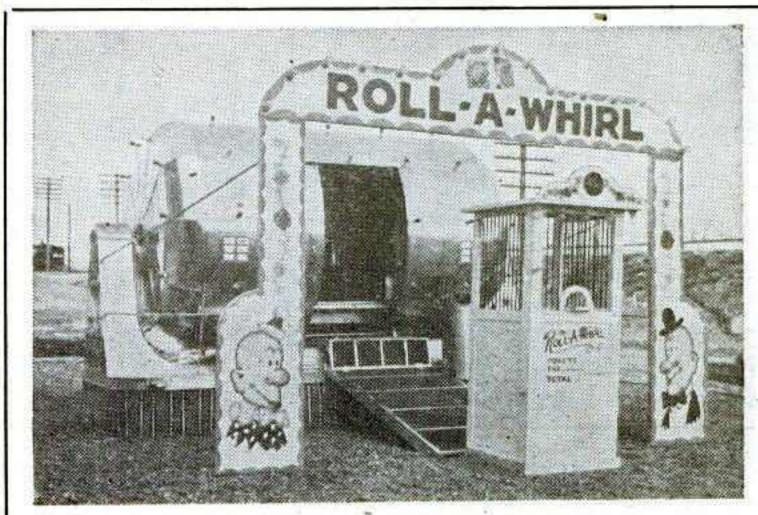
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## SPEEDWAY ROUND-UP

**Freeport Sets Inaugural** 

FREEPORT, L. I., N. Y., May 7 .-The inaugural midget racing card is slated for Freeport Stadium Friday night (13), with Lloyd Christopher, Tony Bonadies, Dutch Schaefer, Johnny Zeke, Steve McGrath, Art Cross, Red Marlow and other American Racing Drivers Club aces set for the opening.

First of the stock car races, scheduled for Tuesday night (17), will present an array of drivers headed by Ted Tappet, who will get competition from Al Keller, Johnny Rogers and Charlie Eithier.

Slick third and fourth turns, that constituted danger spots at the track, have been given a new and less slippery surface which is expected to increase safety.

**Midgets Start at Bridgeport** BRIDGEPORT, Conn., May 7 .-Midget races started their third sea-

## **Knie on Annual** Switzerland Tour

ZURICH, May 7.-Knie Bros.' Swiss National Circus, celebrating the 150th anniversary of its founding, left its permanent quarters at Rapperswil March 20 for its annual Switzerland tour.

One of the largest circuses in Europe, it was founded in Austria by Friedrich Knie, an equestrian and

son at Candlelight Stadium this week under the direction of Bill Tuthill. Among drivers competing were Georgie Rice, Steve McGrath, Bert Brooks, Chet Gibbons, Tony Bonadies, Len Fanelli and Stan Disbrow, of the American Racing Drivers' Club.

Races are expected to be considerably faster because of the widening of the course and other improvements.

### Aussie Racing Strong

SIDNEY, May 7 .- Popularity of midget auto and motorcycle racing in Australia and New South Wales continues strong. Attendance at Sydney's two speedways, the Sports Ground and the Showground, is at a high level and since opening of the season has reached a total of 500,000. The season's gates for the two tracks are expected to top 1,000,000.

In Brisbane the speedway is also gaining in popularity. On Saturday preceding Easter it drew a 37,000 gate, an all-time high for that city.

## Yavapai County Annual, **Phoenix**, Dates Are Set

PRESCOTT, Ariz., May 7. - The 1949 Yavapai County Fair will be held September 16-18, inclusive. The 62d annual Frontier Days (rodeo) celebration is scheduled July 2-4. The request of Bert Watkins, president of the Prescott Speedway Association, to use the fairgrounds track for jalopy racing was denied. The speedway



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## DRESSING ROOM GOSSIP

## Dales

We have been enjoying good lots and warm weather.

Shirley Vining, Rex Rossi, Gene Hoffman, Tommy Hodgini, Red Harris. Shorty Adkisson and Ida Mae Kerley were interviewed on Station WMOA, Marietta, O., under the direction of Rex LaRue. Rex has been doing 5-minute spots on all stations.

Gene Christian dropped back from advance to shoot some more pictures and to put Tommy Hodgini in a photographic mood. They took one shot of Clara Hoffman spanking little Yarro that ought to make Life.

Our roller skating club, The Rolling Rocks, has been meeting regularly. Gene Hoffman is always the first on the floor, and Frank Doyle is alv ays the last to leave. Richard Bedell gets a lot of laughs with his imitation of a beginner. Henry Crowell gets the speed honors, and Leo Dales, Lash LaRue, Rex Rossi and Bobby Bolder cop the endurance prizes. Charlie and Virginia Smith had their first outing since opening at the Zanesville, O., session.

Visitors have included Mr. and Mrs. Earl Annon, Mr. and Mrs. William Dutton Rabe, Lou Henderson, of the Juggling Hendersons, Mr. and



Mrs. Wick Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. Camille, C. O'Day, Al Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Buck Lucas. The Duttons and Louie Watson were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bowen. The Bowens presented Mrs. Dales with a cake decorated with the Dales Circus monogram.

Lucy Arenz and Peggy Ann Simpson celebrated birthdays.

Nicky Dales copped eating honors at the weiner roast given by the concert on the Coshocton lot, with Lash LaRue as host. We moved off the lot there just in time for the Robbins show to move on. Last to get off the lot were breakfast guests of Larry King and John Dees, who were early arrivals on the incoming show.-IDA MAE KERLEY.

## Hamid-Morton

During the open week between Newark and Buffalo, personnel caught the Ringling show in New York. At night the Belvedere bar was like Old. Home Week for Hamid-Morton and Ringling performers.

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New acts joining in Newark included Ferdinand and Jerry, the Delmars, and Jean Dawn and Connie Sherer.

Lydia, of the Sil Sisters, who fell at the opening show in Buffalo, is back after a few days in the hospital. Her parents' act, Rob Cimse, motorcycle, is going strong.

The Norbertys are back after two weeks' rest, as is Dick Clemens, who was hospitalized for a week. Mrs. Thomas is hospitalized in Buffalo with pneumonia.

Visitors in Buffalo were Caldonia's mother and sister and Mr. and Mrs. Humphreys, parents of Len.

## **Gran Circo Americano**

The engagement in San Juan, Puerto Rico, will be long remembered. One week of rain shortly after opening was the only jarring note.

Nellie Markow, of the Three Jewels, was out of the act thru most of the San Juan date, the result of Michael, the new chimp, biting her finger. She recently rejoined her partners, Denise Wathon and Bunnie Tucker.

Zefta Loyal-Repensky was presented with a trophy by director Jerome O. Wilson for outstanding bareback riding work. Local press gave the presentation good coverage. After San Juan we played Humacao five days and Guayama seven days, both inland. Crowds were good in all stands.-TERESA LOYAL-RE-PENSKY.

## **Karl Knecht Pays Visit** To El Gran Circo in Mex.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., May 7.-Karl Knecht, cartoonist of The Courier here and organizer of the Circus Fans' Association, recently flew to Mexico City where he caught the El Gran Circo Espanol Arriola, playing a sixweek stand in Mexico City.

Presented under canvas, behind an area that included a kiddie Merry-Go-Round and other rides, Knecht reported the first show, on a Saturday night, started at 6 p.m. with a full house. Two American acts, Emil Pallenberg Jr. and his bears, and the Flying LaVals, Bill Valentine Sr. and Jr., and Al Leak, were on the program. Box seats went at 10 pesos each, or \$1.45 in American money. Second night show started at 9 p.m. Matinees are given Sundays at 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

## **Rain Hurts Dales Draw**

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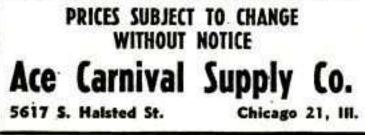
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On the jump from Buffalo to Harrisburg, Peaches O'Neil's trailer broke loose from her car, causing slight damage to the trailer. Mr. Gautier has a new trailer. Gautier's wife, daughter-in-law and granddaughter are on for the season.

Stan Stancyk visited the Eriksons. Pete Van Kleef, from Health and Strength magazine, also visited.

The ladies' dressing room looks like a laundry with four washing machines going practically at the same time. Over the men's side it looks like a gym with all the hand Albany to visit the folks on the Endy balancers getting together in competition.

colored movies after the show. -CONCHITA.

## Ameri-Congo

The second week out found us in Dawson, Ga., after opening in Florida. Superintendent W. H. (Wingy) Sanders had the canvas rolled and loaded in 45 minutes in Cairo, Ga.

LeRoy Sanders is boss animal man, does the veterinary chores and works as inside lecturer. Bob Edwards is chief electrician, and Lester Harry Rohe is assistant lecturer and has charge of the stake and chain wagon. Cline Godsey assists in supervising the five-man crew on canvas.

Prof. Leo Cogozzo's Hollywood Monkey Show is packing them in. Blackie, the crap-shooting monkey, is featured. Johnnie Winget has the ticket box on the Monkey Show, and Robert C. Edwards is in charge of the sound equipment.

A magic sword act and a Punch and Judy show has been added. The Sanders' two-headed baby is featured as an extra attraction.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Winslow have the floss, popcorn and novelties, and report good business. Charles Bartlett, general agent, has been getting good crowds out for the school kids' matinees. Owner Howard Ingram and most of the crew stopped off in

More Dressing Room Gossip on Pages 62 and 95

only half houses at both afternoon and night shows. At Marietta, O., Friday (29) it was different, however, org scoring with a full one at night after a three-quarter matinee.

Rain hit the show at Athens, O., the next day and attendance at both matinee and night was light. Despite good weather Wednesday (4) in Mingo Junction, O., business was light at the matinee. The night show drew a three-quarter house.

Bros.' Shows.

Visitors have included Dr. Boze-Mr. Watkins recently showed his man, Mr. Miller and Mr. and Mrs. McGraw.

> The writer continues to hold down the main ticket box and also handles the press.-M. BAILEY.



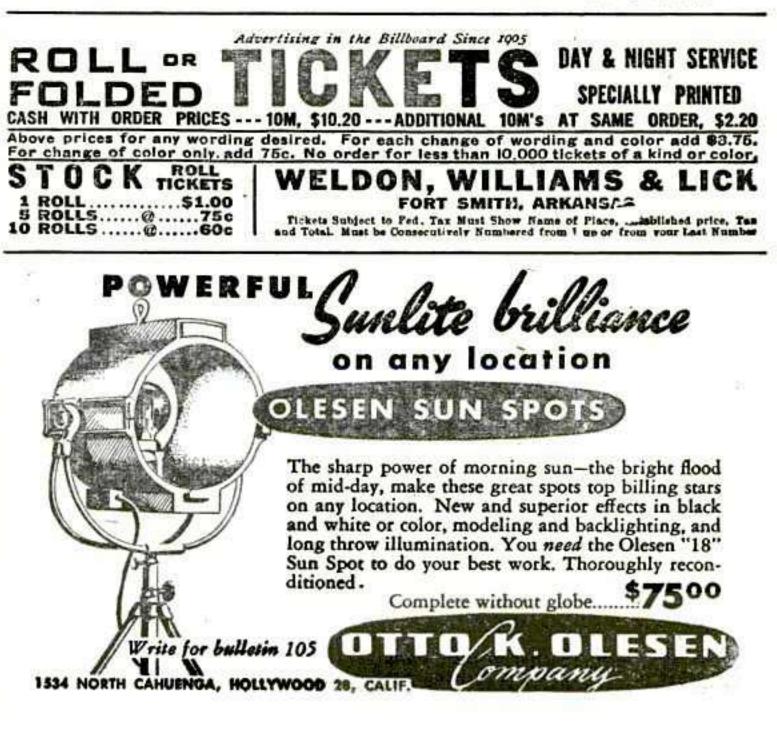
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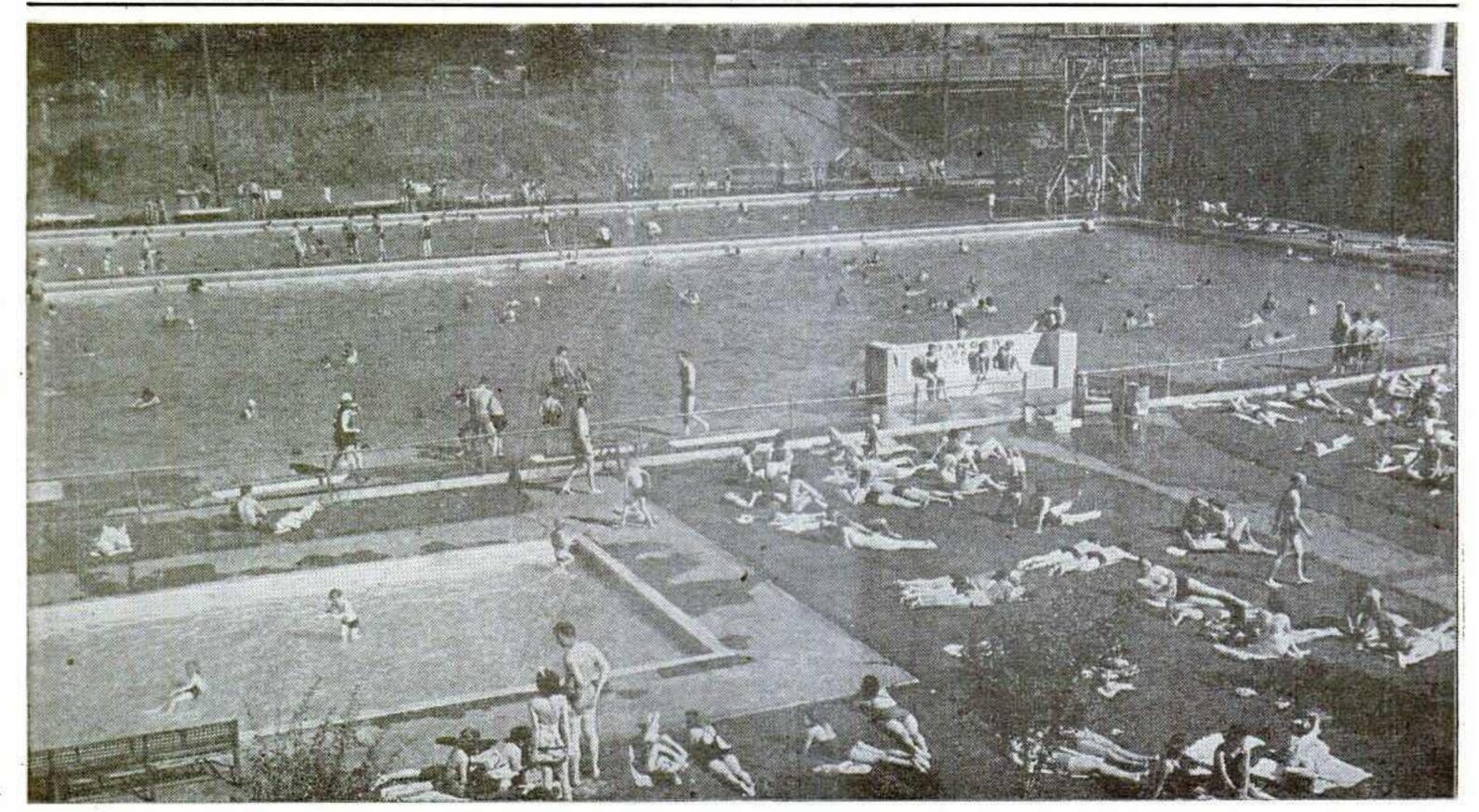


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# Swim Campaigns Are Helpful

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Prices on most pool and beach equipment are about the same as last year. Diving boards and standards, however, are up over prewar years. This is due entirely to the high price of lumber today.

Another item which has been scarce, but which is available this year in quantity, is the knockdown bleachers for pools. Like diving boards, the price is up over prewar years, but not out of line.

With the equipment situation eased and prices practically unchanged from a year ago, pool and beach operators can forget about their troubles in that respect and concentrate on swim promotions.

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las 18-19; Jasper 20-21. Marquis-Karston Show (Ritz) Gainesville, Ga., 11; (Carrol) Carrolton 12; (Crisp) Cordele 13; (Arcade) Sandersville 14; Sum-

ter) Sumter, S. C., 17. Miller's, Irvin C., Brown-Skin Models (Pekin) Montgomery, Ala., 11-12; (Frolic) Birmingham 13-14; (Frolic) Bessemer 16; (Star) Meridian, Miss., 17; (Lincoln)

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Williams, Rusty, Show: Sims, N. C., 9-14.

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charge of "cruelty to children"

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## Polack Bros. (Eastern): (High School Stadium) San Angelo, Tex., 9-12; (High School Sta-dium) Midland 13-14; (Baylor Stadium) Hudson Line Signs **Gotham Dock Space;** Runs Begin May 28 ington, D. C., 17-21. Rogers Bros. Fayetteville, N. C., 10; Dunn 11; Goldsboro 12; Kinston 13; New Bern 14; Williamston 16.

NEW YORK, May 7.-Operation of the Hudson River Day Line fleet of four excursion steamers this summer was definitely assured with the issuing of final pier permits to the new owners of the fleet by the Department of Marine and Aviation of New York City.

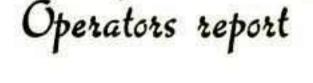
The new owners, George Sanders, Abe Ellis and Oscar Markovich, announce that their deal with the city calls for the payment of a lay-up fee of \$20 a day for each of the firm's four boats, plus 5 per cent of the line's gross income. The deal covers use of Pier 81, North River, and the terminal on the West 125th Street Pier. Percentage deal is applicable to both piers, while the lay-up fee is charged at Pier 81 only.

By the end of next week a thoro overhaul and renovation job will have been completed on the Alexander Hamilton, Peter Stuyvesant and Robert Fulton, by the Todd Shipyards in Hoboken, N. J. The Hendrick Hudson is also skedded for an overhaul before going back into service. The jobs will cost around \$200,000.

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-By Starr De Belle-

## Scarehead, Ark. May 7, 1949.

When Pushpole Bros.' Circus closed last week, its efficiency expert, Bill Endow, was sent for to save this show from a similar fate. After receiving two bus tickets, dough to spring himself and wife from a hotel and extra money to crate and ship his dog, Endow arrived to take up his duties. He proved himself to be a good manto stay away from.

His first action was to start an argument, which we will refer to as "Press press department and too many for a agents vs. elephants." We have heard of shows carrying lots of press agents and elephants, but this show carried three of the former and only one of the latter. The new guy visited the newspaper editor who complained



about the three news pictures our agents left with him. He stated that the last two circuses to play the burg used the same pictures of an elephant pulling up a center pole, an elephant carrying a water tub and one of a bull pushing a cage wagon. With all fairness to our publicity department, let me add that we did have pictures of a kid sneaking under the sidewall, but we ran out of them. The expert's argument was that three press agents were too many for a three-picture one-elephant show. Our argument was that circuses are not rated by bulls but by rings, with one press agent per ring. When thousands of customers claim they can't see everything in a three-ring circus, how would a manager expect three press agents to see everything to write about unless you have one man per ring?

To make it possible for the office to let two agents go, the new guy decided to seek co-operation from shows that play our route by agreeing to meet and divide the elephant publicity to keep each show's different. Those to attend the meeting were the managers of the Chariot & Tableau Circus and the Garland Entry Hippodrome Circus. However, Ford Axle Annie, owner of Ford Axle Annie's Horseless Wild West Show, arrived uninvited. The boss figured that because she wasn't an elephant owner, Annie wasn't entitled to the privilege of sitting in. However, the gal owner claimed that she was only there to protect her publicity picture of the Pony Express, with cutlines reading, "How they carried the mail in the early days," which she claimed the Garland Entry show was using as

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The managers finally agreed that we were to have the sole rights to use publicity photos of a bull pushing a cage and the one of a kid sneaking under the sidewall, which reduced our press staff to one man. The other shows held the rights to the other photos, as they only carried one agent each. Today we followed the other two circuses into this town to learn that they had double-crossed us by doubling up their two bulls for pub-licity photos and had lived up to the agreement of not using like one-elephant pictures. However, they had used shots of two elephants pulling up a center pole, two bulls carrying a tub, two bulls pushing a cage wagon and one of 10 kids sidewalling themselves in. The press agents we blew off joined them. To any circus wanting an efficiency expert, there's one available.





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## **Dailey's Trek Thru Indiana Proving Okay**

## Vincennes Is Red One

MARION, Ind., May 7 .- Dailey Bros., getting some ideal weather, is doing okay business on its Indiana trek, the high spot being Vincennes April 30. The show drew an overflow matinee and a capacity night house. Dailey was the first railroad circus to visit in several years.

In Marion (27) the show arrived early from Anderson and had its calliope in action on the streets by 9:30 a.m. Weather was ideal and the matinee was a three-quarter house, with night attendance slightly above that mark.

Hot weather, with the temperature close to the 90 mark, held down matinee attendance at Anderson, but it was three-quarters at night. In Princeton (29), a city of about 9,000, the show had a light matinee but a strong night house.

Mount Vernon, Ill. (28), gave with a three-quarter night house despite chilly weather, after a light matinee. Show's lighting system went on the blink at night but performers carried on despite the dim light.

Business in Sikeston, Mo., (26) was good, matinee attracting a full one and the night show getting a threequarter house.



WHEN THE HAMID-MORTON show played Harrisburg, Pa., three visitors from Europe caught the show and the photographer recorded the event. Left to right: Bob Morton, Rolph Knie, owner of the Knie Circus, Switzerland; Mrs. K. Williams, owner of the Blackpool Tower Circus in England; Mrs. Bob Morton; Lew Grade, London booker, and Len Humphries, Morton's assistant on the H-M show. The Mortons leave July 1 for a tour of Europe and plan to catch circuses in England, France, Switzerland, Italy and Germany.

## **Cincy** Area Produces Good **Biz for Cole Three-Day Stand;** Indiana Pans Out Well, Too

## **Tavlin Still Scouting Name Talent**

CINCINNATI, May 9 .- Cole Bros.' | smoothly under the direction of Vanthage Fairgrounds registered two scoring with her turn. three-quarter matinees and full Don Lang looked after press in N. J. Keenan's refusal was based on houses at night. Excellent weather greeted the show. Friday the temperature was in the 90's. Saturday and Sunday were warm and bright. Delays hindered the show in both cities. In Covington the show was late getting on the lot because of a delay at the railroad yards, and it was 3:45 before the matinee started. While loading the train for the run to Cincinnati, an overturned wagon again caused a delay. Show officials were aggravated further in Cincinnati when Elmwood Place police objected to the hauling of equipment on streets with steel-treaded tractors, claiming it broke concrete pavement. The problem was solved by hauling trailers to the tractors, then loading them on trailers for transportation to the lot.

Circus, the first under-canvas show der Barbette. Announcing is done of the season to hit this area, rolled by Norman Carroll. No changes have up a healthy gross Friday thru Sun- been made in the program since it day (6-8). In Covington, Ky., Fri- opened in Louisville (The Billboard, day the show had a light matinee April 23). Dorita Konyot, who was but a straw house at night, while the out of the program the first week week-end Cincinnati stand on Car- because of an injury to her horse, is

Covington, and Bev Kelley in Cincy, fire hazards. Newark papers gave

## 33 - Day Stand **Tops \$2 Million**

Burkhardt inked to assist Duval - org may have to bypass lucrative Jersey

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practically set for the road, as about the only changes in the line-up of acts will be bowing out of Woolford's Dachshunds, which were brought in to pinch-hit pending arrival of Peterson's jockey dogs, and some changes in the flying trapeze acts, with Harold Voise and his troupe dropping out after the Boston run.

News item of the week was the signing of Noyelles Burkhardt as assistant to Herbert Duval, veteran legal adjustor, whose health has not been up to par. Burkhardt resigned as manager of Cole Bros.' Circus about two weeks ago. In addition to serving as legal adjustor, Duval has been serving on the board of directors since reorganization of the show's management.

### May Skip Jersey

Refusal of Public Safety Director Keenan, of Newark, N. J., to grant a license for the Big One to appear in that city brought an announcement from General Agent Waldo T. Tupper that this would force the show to cancel plans for showing in Atlantic City, New Brunswick and Paterson, the affair considerable space, apparently disapproving his action. Ringling circus has not shown in Newark for several years, due to difficulty in getting a good lot, but Tupper claims to have arranged for use of a centrally located lot on Freylinghuysen Avenue, owned by the Pennsylvania Railroad. Newark, when played, was a two-day stand and a good spot.

## **Pawling Org Hits** Jackpot in Ohio

IRONTON, O., May 7 .- With the weatherman co-operating the John Pawling Circus hit the jackpot in three Ohio towns. In Ironton the show drew a straw matinee and capacity at night. Show was minus its bulls here, due to a truck breakdown in West Virginia.

Chillicothe (4) gave with two full houses. Weather was ideal. Show management announced the new big top is expected any day from O. Henry Tent & Awning Company, Chicago.

In Waverly (3) it was a straw at the matinee and capacity at night.

## **Polack Bros. Does** Turnaway Biz at Santa Rosa, Calif.

SANTA ROSA, Calif., May 7 .--Polack Bros.' Western Unit did turn- favor. away biz here Monday and Tuesday (2-3), earning over \$5,000 for the Aahmes Temple Shrine Club in the two-day stand.

Three of the five bulls recently brought from Thailand by George Emerson for Louis Goebel's World Jungle Compound, Thousand Oaks, were purchased by Irving Polack. The bulls were shipped by truck to San Angelo, Tex., in the company of Rudy Muller, where the org opened Friday (6). Cheerful Gardner will break them in.

Polack also purchased a pair of camels from Goebels. These were shipped to Baltimore where they were presented to the city zoo by Polack Bros. and Boumi Temple.

Irving Polack, discharged recently from the Hollywood Presbyterian the air. Hospital, is recuperating at his San Fernando Valley ranch. It will be another month before he can return to work.

### **Indiana Dates Good**

Before appearing here Cole played Indianapolis April 29-May 1, getting two three-quarter matinees and a light one, plus three-quarter night houses. In Columbus, Ind., Monday (2) the show drew a three-quarter matinee and full night crowd. Jefferson, Ind., (3) produced fair business, while Lexington, Ky., (4-5) was big. Weather has been in the show's

The org has a fresh appearance with new canvas, new Side Show banner line, steel chairs in the grandstand, and excellent wardrobe. Big top seating capacity is 5,500, with grandstand 13 tiers high. The twohour performance clicked, running

## Arumia, Dailey Elephant Trainer, Mauled by Bull

LOGANSPORT, Ind., May 7 .--Singh Arumia, 22, elephant trainer on Dailey Bros.' Circus, was attacked by one of the show's bulls here Friday (6).

The animal, altho chained, knocked Arumia down, then picked him up with its trunk and threw him into

The bull mauled Arumia until beaten to its knees by other circus workers. Physicians described Arumia's injuries as serious.

both landing good shots.

#### **Negotiating for Stars**

Since April 27, when Burt Lancaster, movie actor, left the show, General Manager Jack Tavlin has been negotiating with other film stars to appear for two-week periods thruout the season, but no contracts have yet been signed. However, Tavlin announced that the George Hanneford family of riders, who were with the show in Louisville, had been signed for the 1950 season. Bobby Hasson, Side Show manager, who left the show in Jeffersonville, Ind., as did his brother, inside manager and lecturer, has not been replaced. The Hassons, were to go to their home in Washinton.

Kid show prices were reduced this week from 35 to 25 cents.

Taylin said that Frank Orman, new manager, has taken hold in fine style.



UPPER SANDUSKY, O., May 7.-Ohio towns are receiving Mills Bros. with open arms in the form of full ones and near capacity.

Sponsored by the Lions' Club, org drew near capacity at the matinee and capacity at night here Wednesday (4). Weather was ideal.

In Marion (2) it was three-quarters at the matinee and a slight overflow at night.

What would have been two sure sellouts in Columbus, April 30, were ruined by a heavy rain in the afternoon and cold, threatening weather at night. As it was, the show played to near capacity at the matinee and a three-quarters house at night.

Delaware (29) proved anything but good, despite a tie-up with Ohio Wesleyan University, in which the school's campus newspaper ran a queen contest, with the two winners riding Burma, Mills elephant, at the Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Darling handled show. Local paper went big for this.

King Registers 🕐 At Appalachia

APPALACHIA, Va., May 7 .- King Bros. scored with a full house at the night show here, after a three-quarter crowd caught the April 29 matinee. Show officials reported business thru the Appalachian coal fields has been good.

Aided by clear weather, King registered a full one in Harlan, Ky., April 28 after a strong matinee.

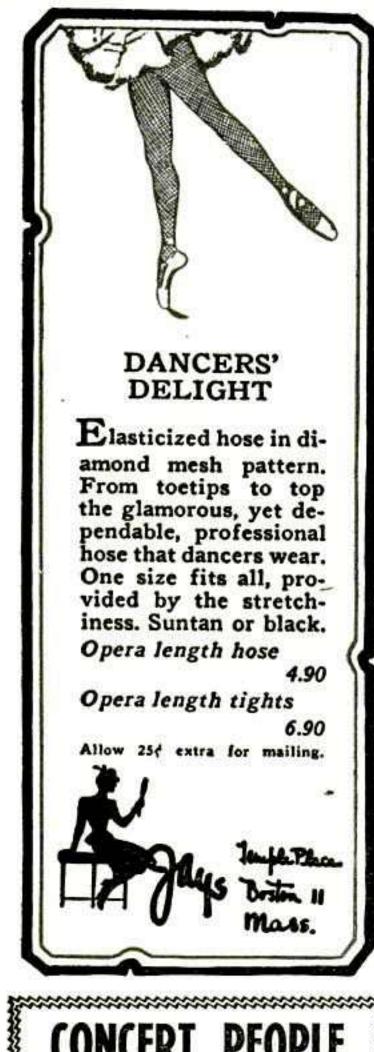
Heavy rain hurt attendance at Pineville, Ky., both the matinee and night shows getting half houses.

## Harrisburg, Altoona **Okay for H-M Show**

ALTOONA, Pa., May 14.-When the Hamid-Morton Shrine Circus closes here tonight, it is expected a record gross will be chalked up. Stand was lengthened from five to six days. Advance sale was reportedly 20 per cent ahead of last year. Promotion was under direction of Elwood McBeth.

The week previous at Harrisburg, the show opened to capacity and registered sellouts four of six nights. Five matinees were capacity. In Harrisburg the show played in the State Farm Show Arena, seating 8,200. Special rigging and lighting was installed for the engagement of Mike Malos and Andrew (Fingers) Castle. the Harrisburg promotion.

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## **Biller Bros. on Upgrade; Staff Changes Are Listed**

circuses has been experiencing tough ute the show moved to the Skinner week in Kentucky and Ohio spots. city. Weather has been good.

Art Stahlman, Biller general manager, said that Dee Aldrich, Side Show manager, and his wife, who, it was rumored, are to leave the show, are still with it. Cecil Cooper, Side Show boss canvasman, has left. He has been succeeded by Pete March. Felix Morales has replaced Roy Bittle as equestrian director and Swede Johnson is in charge of the Liberty act. Jack Smith, org's treasurer, left the show. He has been replaced by Deedy Monarch, who joined May 2 in Frankfort, Ky. L. C. (Doc) Hall has been named general agent, replacing Emmet Sims, who resigned a few weeks ago.

Portsmouth, O. (5) gave the show a good day's business, while the day before at Flemingsburg, Ky., the matinee was fair with capacity at night. Winchester, Ky. (3) proved only fair, Stahlman said, with Richmond, Ky., average and Corbin. Ky., in Corbin hurt. Rain the previous canvas.

PORTSMOUTH, O., May 7 .- Biller | day made it impossible to play the Bros., which like quite a few other Bruce showgrounds. At the last minweather, saw business improve this showgrounds on the other side of the

## Medrano Sisters, Aussie **Circus, Playing Genoa**

GENOA, May 7.-The Four Medrano Sisters' Circus, well-known Austrian circus, is playing an extended from Bangkok and Singapore to New run at this Italian seaport. Circus features the horses and riding routines of the four sisters. Roberto Hiebner is ringmaster with the show and J. Jeszek fronts the band.

Besides the Liberty and highschool horse numbers of the Medrano girls the program bills Irene and Rosemarie, antipodists; baby elephant presented by Wanda Medrano; Mera, equilibrist; Wilchy, magician; Five Hungaryas, tumblers; Rob Carry, juggler; Colleanos, slide-for-life; group of lions presented by Oscar Koniot; high-school horse by Williams, and the Amedeo Trio, clowns. The Zoppe Circus, Italian family on the light side. A change of lots circus, is playing at Naples under

## DRESSING ROOM GOSSIP

## **Ringling-Barnum**

We are counting the days until we will be under the big top again.

The show gave its annual benefit performance Monday (2) for orphans and underprivileged children. As usual, the place was jammed. This is

## Cole Bros.

The three days in Indianapolis were swell. The weather and crowds were good. Burt Lancaster and Nick Cravat left in Kokomo, Ind. They will be missed. The new menage number is directed by Paul Nelson. For the one show we all enjoy doing. Curtis finish, Capt. John Smith trots hit Genders had a big time appearing in horse, Flash. Jinx Adams, Toni Marspec and the bar act with Bill War- tin, Mickey Lyons, and Malcolm and Sallie Marlowe are the riders.

## **Trefflich Receives** 800 Animals by Air

NEW YORK, May 7.-The largest air shipment of animals ever made was greeted on arrival on Idlewild Airport yesterday by Henry Trefflich, New York animal dealer, and a group including Frederick Sandman, director of New York's Central Park Zoo, and Robert Dean, director of Chicago's Brookfield Zoo.

More than 800 animals collected by Trefflich's assistant, Miss Genevieve Cuprys, made the eight-day air hop York. Included in the cargo were two baby elephants, a pair of black leopards, three tiger cubs, two golden cats, 700 Java monkeys, 16 gibbons, several large pythons, cobras and other reptiles and an assortment of tropical birds and small animals.

## Si Kitchie Featured **On Beers-Barnes Org**

SPENCER, Ind., May 7.—Si Kitchie, head balancing traps, for many years with Dailey Bros., is featured on the Beers-Barnes org this season.

Show opened the season in Crossville, Tenn., to fair business. Weather played havoc the first two weeks but since moving into this territory the weather has been okay and business has perked up. Show has a new big top, added another light plant, two new semis and a new Hammond organ. Kim Kimball presides at the organ and Cy Ross Essex is the drummer.

Concert features Walt and Doris Davis. Jim MacInnis is in charge of the Side Show. C. B. Ludwig is general agent. Show is owned by Roger Barnes and Charles Beers.

Line-up includes Yvonne & Ray, perch; the Barnes sisters, double

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Art and Antoinette Concello, Toughie Genders and members of the flying acts were written up in a twoinstallment article in New Yorker magazine.

John Ringling North, Henry Ringling North, Art Concello, Hubert Duval, Waldo Tupper, Frank and Paul Miller, Fred De Wolfe and Pat Valdo attended the Circus Saints and Sinners luncheon honoring Rodgers and Hammerstein.

Coincidence: Marschany, Arabian tumbler, while dining in a New York restaurant with Jack Leontini and Charlie Mrowski, saw a familiar face at a near-by table. After a second look, he realized it was one of the two men who held him up in Central Park. A policeman took the man in tow, and now we are all hoping his partner in crime will be hauled in so Marschany can leave New York with his finances intact.

Minnie Alzana flew to England, called there by the illness of her father. Daizy Doll, Rosita Moyer and Nina Unus celebrated birthdays.

Visitors: Joe Menchen, Madaline Parks, Claire Faucett, Arden Larey, (See RINGLING-BARNUM, page 95)

## **Clyde Beatty**

The San Diego weather ran true to form and the crowds were good. The three-day stand gave many of us a chance to visit Mexico.

We showed on the asphalt parking lot again and having a floor in the dressing room reminded us of our days in vaudeville. Bobby Kay and the writer were dinner guests of Jack and Anne Skimmins.

Ed Hubbard visited, and joined in several clown numbers. Johnny, Milonga and Cathy Cline were house guests of the Hubbards. Ted and Baile, Abe Tavlin and party, Bert Jerry De Wayne, Dick Lewis, Brownie Gudath, the Clines and Esther Escalante were guests of the Hubbards at a chicken fry.

(See CLYDE BEATTY on page 95) 'KING.

Mrs. Ray Marlowe celebrated her birthday in Columbus, Ind. She was guest of honor at a spaghetti dinner given by her brother, Paul Nelson.

Helen Keeler cleaned out her trunk. A rummage sale is expected any day. Annie De Vries is laid up with pleurisy. Josephine Scrano is having a hard time trying to hide her taped back under her wardrobe. Orchids to Jinx Adams in the 16horse hitch and to announcer Norman Baker's Thrill Circus has been inked Carroll for their great work. Lilly Konyot plays her concertina for us between shows. Jack Crippen does a bang-up job on the steam calliope. Horace Laird, just out of the hospital when the season opened, is okay again and gets the mail to us on time. Joe (Doc) Cotton, of the Side Show, was on the sick list. Nunzio Palumbo, (See COLE BROS. on page 95)

## **Dailey Bros.**

Copperfield Jimmy Van's wife is helping him with his concession, making Western wardrobe for the girls in the concert line-up.

Phil Barrera, wire walker, and Paco Saona, cloud swing, entertain nightly with singing and guitar music. Pedro Saona does a head balancing act in the show, Silva Brothers, perch, go over big. Eva Vazques is in the contortion number.

Mitt Carl is steward again; Mrs. Carl has the milk concession, and Tommy Tumpkins is head waiter. Visitors: Lorraine Wallace, Evansville, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. McGraw, Fred Marks, Clem Kevekordes, Skyline Bill, the old Indian scout; Mr. and Mrs. Zack Terrell, Naomi Mc-Dowell, Milton J. Durham, King and Corrine Dearo, Bobbie and Caroline Gordon and daughter, Carol, Billie Griffin's parents, Paul Van Pool, Mr. Keene, Mr. Olson, Chuck Robert Fontaine is keeping Yellow Mueller and Harry Haag .-- HAZEL

traps; June MacInnis, dogs; Si Kitchie, head balancing traps; the La Belle Ray troupe, Roman rings; Walt Davis, Liberty horses; Mervy Ray, hand balancing, and the Beers-Barnes elephants.

## Ken Baker's Thrill **Unit Signed To Play**

LOS ANGELES, May 7. - Ken to play the San Fernando (Calif.) Fiesta, May 21-22. Other California dates lined up this week include Bakersfield Stadium, May 27; Airport Speedway, Fresno, May 28, under auspices of the Italian Club; Mother Lode Fair, Sonora, May 30; 99 Stadium, Modesto, June 3; Hughes Memorial Stadium, Sacramento, June 4; 99 Stadium, Stockton, June 5; Salinas, June 10; San Jose Speedway, June 11, and Bayshore Stadium, San Francisco, June 18-19.

Signed this week by Baker were Jimmy Hazlitt, for the bus jump; Ernie Coker, and John Pizzo (Bozo the Clown).



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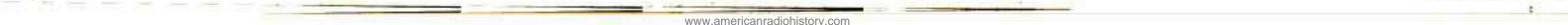
Fayetteville, May 10; Dunn, 11; Goldsboro, 12; Kinston, 13; New Bern, 14; Williamston, 16; Greenville, 17; Wilson, 18; all North Carolina. P.S.: Can also use 2 White Face Clowns and good Ground Act for Big Top (no Animals); also Trombone and Trumpet for Jig Band.



Greatest Novelty Stunts in Years. See Page 46.

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## Extra Sessions Set **To Handle Overflow Crowds at Blackpool**

BLACKPOOL, Eng., May 7.-Summer circus season at the Blackpool Tower Circus, which opened April Betty, performed on the high pole a strong night house. . . . Jimmy Troy 14 is drawing so well that, in addition to the usual twice-daily performances, morning shows will be given each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from June 20 thru September 15.

Unusually good line-up of animal and circus acts make up this summer's program. Most of the animal acts are from the well-known Knie Bros.' Swiss circus, including Knie's Four Elephant Stars, presented by Ralph Knie, and Knie's (9) Polar and (2) Himalayan bears, handled by August Natsch. Victor Julian is playing a return date with his welltrained dogs and monkeys.

Horse numbers are all presented by the Tower's own quartet of riders, Johnny and Georgie Scott, Billy Stebbings and Frank Bailey, under the direction of Equestrian Director Fein, program, gilly and purchasing. Roy Delbosq. Working with the male riders are three cuties from the corn, were inadvertently left out. Tower's line of girls who perform capably in high-school, Liberty and bareback numbers. Delbosq puts the Schumann ponies thru their paces.

#### Spanish Troupe

Circus acts are diversified, with standouts being the Grecos, Spanish aerialists in a sensational cradle act; the Bedinis (4) in neat Risley number; the Myrons, unusual perch act, and the Eight Ifni Saharas, speedy Arab tumblers.

The Reverhos, jugglers on the wire, who were with the Ringling circus in America, also clicked, as did La Paloma, fem trapezist; Sayers Carpenter, trombonist, and Leslie and Jimmy Buchanan, with their fromy car, and the Colbergs (2), whose poses are featured in the elaborate aquatic spec, in the Tower's pool, which closes the show.

Rating special mention is Charlie Cairoli, one of Europe's top joeys and a talented musician, who heads the Tower's clown alley Also tops are Annette's Circusettes, a versatile line of girls. House manager of the Tower Circus is W. J. McGinty; band leader is Eric Ogden, and assistant ringmaster is Pamela Crozier. Mrs. Kathleen Williams is the active head of the Tower Circus administration and is responsible for the make-up of the program. This season the bill stacks up as the best in years and is assured of a long run as advance sales are unusually heavy.

The Billboard

## UNDER THE MARQUEE

Bill! Here are some of your kinfolks."

Benny Fox, who with his sister, pedestal in Barnes Bros.' Circus in released Monday (9) from Norwegian-American Hospital, where he has been a pneumonia patient for a week. Fox said he would take it into the act.

There is this to be said about the daily serving of beans by stewards: They're solid food and nobody fights over the gizzard.

In the staff line-up of Dailey Bros., carried in the April 30 issue of The Billboard, J. A. Gephart was listed only as traffic manager. Gephart also is show's general agent. The names of Jean Allen, floss and candy apples; Cecil Stapleton, novelties; Orville Linderman, grease joint; Murray and Ray Morrison, peanuts and pop-

Collectors will even buy pictures of early-day circus horses without asking if they ever won any parlays.

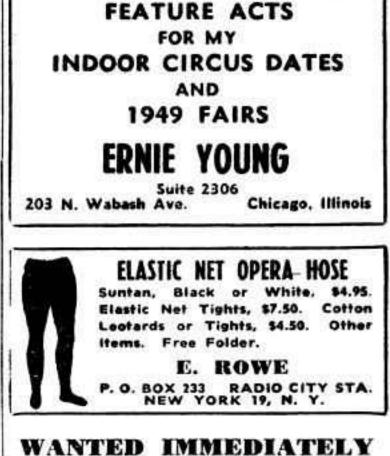
Tom Scaperlanda and Frank Pahlman, of the CFA Tent, Alfredo Codona, San Antonio, visited Polack Bros.' Eastern Unit at City Coliseum. Austin, April 30 and renewed acquaintances with Hubert Castle and Ed Raymond. . . . Vincent Deedy again is on the exchange desk of Cole Bros. . . . Harry Hunt is band leader on Hunt Bros. Guy Leslie is mail agent and trumpet player. Roy caught the Ringling show in New York and visited Jack Ganonhack. who was with Hunt last year. . . .

I. T. Knight, advertising car manager of Prell's Broadway Shows, attended the Diamond Jim Circus at Rustburg, Va., and the Hoxie circus in Appomattox, Va., and visited with the folks. Oscar Wiley is handling the front of Diamond Jim ::how.

Heard daily in front of monk cages, "Hey, scored a red one at Bowling Green. Ky., with a capacity matinee and a turnaway at night. At Clarksville. Tenn., it was a capacity matinee and recently jumped from Binghamton, the Chicago Stadium, expected to be N. Y., to Mercedes, Tex., for Johnny Andrews, and also was at the Fort Worth Shrine Circus for Johnny, Troy worked several club dates in Houston and then went to the State Theater. easy for a week before moving back Baltimore. He recently met with an accident outside of Fort Smith, Ark., a truck smashing the left side of his car. Troy visited the Dailey opening at Gonzales, Tex., and the Ringling show in New York. . . . Roy Bible, equestrian director of Biller Bros? Circus, closed at Danville, Ky., April 30.

> Tractors weren't built for stunting, but that doesn't keep drivers from trying when there's a crowd at the unloading crossing.

> Kim Kimball, organist, and Cy Ross Essex, drummer, on the Beers-Barnes show, visited Roy Short on the Dailey show at Seymour, Ind. (See Under the Marquee, page 94)



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Freddie and Ethel Freeman and Billy Griffin, en route to California with Polack Bros.' Western Unit, stopped over in Albuquerque, N. M., for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. George Converse. The Converses later flew to New York to visit Col. and Mrs. Harry Thomas at the R-B show in the Garden. . . . Mrs. Tom Gregory. wife of the former president of the Circus Fans' Association, has recovered from the flu. She and her husband visited the Big One during its last week in the Gardens. . . . Edgar H. Wilson, Rockford, Ill., attorney and circus fan, recently was elected city secretary. He and Mrs. Wilson recently visited friends on the the R-B show in New York. . . . Ray and Bess Mettler and daughter, Mary Faith, former circus musicians residing in Hamilton, O., caught Mills Bros. in Camden, O. They re-newed acquaintance with Jack, Jake and Bob Mills and Carl Woolrich, among others. Mettler is with The Hamilton Journal-News.

Optimist, in circus biz, is the mail man who likes to think he has retired.

Jim Conley writes that an order has been placed for a new big top and marquee for Robbins Bros. Shows

## **Bullen Plays Sydney Show**

SYDNEY, May 7. - For the first time in years Wirth's Circus did not play Sydney during the Royal Easter Show. Its usual lot in Alfred Park was occupied by Bullen Bros.' Circus, an outfit making its first appearance here. Bullen did not open until three days after the fair was under way. Wirth's Circus is on one of its periodical tours of New Zealand.

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May 14, 1949

## **Week-End Edgewater Crowd** Near Holiday Level; Ops **Report Spending Good**

Jefferson Beach Opens With "Sneak Preview" and Clicks

### By H. F. Reves

DETROIT, May 7 .- Favored by good week-end weather which was not interrupted until 9 p.m. Sunday (1). Detroit parks hit their pre-season stride for the first time since the general opening three weeks ago. Business was uniformly satisfactory both Saturday and Sunday afternoon. Sunday crowds reached almost a holiday level at Edgewater. All funspots reported spending good, especially at night. At Eastwood, week-end business so far is off slightly, compared to last season, but the mid-week totals are ahead. Park officials reported biz so far this season is ahead of the corresponding time

for the last prewar year of 1941, which they consider a true basis of comparison for normal business. Prices, incidentally are the same as in '41, except for the Coaster, which has dropped from 25 to 20 cents.

A major change in park management at Eastwood was confirmed this week. Henry Wagner, partner and co-manager of the spot, has retired from active operation, after 42 years in the business. His interest has been purchased by his sons, Milton and Alvin. The other interest in the park, belonging to the late Max Kerner, is the property of Mrs. Kerner, as exectrix of his estate.

### Stahl Manager

Michigan Showmen's Association and

New Flying Scooter, Ferris Wheel Added Coaster, purchased from National At Indianapolis Spot

INDIANAPOLIS. May 7. - Two new rides, a Ferris Wheel and a Flying Scooter, are among the many innovations noticed at Riverside Park, which bowed for the season here tonight.

Other improvements include new buildings for snow ball, cotton candy and custard concessions; a new Bemis machine in the popcorn concession; Harry Stahl, past president of the installation of electrical equipment in the cafeteria; 10 Skee Ball alleys and

To Record Crowd; Selden Featured

NEW ORLEANS, May 7 .- A new opening-day attendance record for Pontchartrain Beach was established here Sunday (1) when an estimated 100,000 persons swarmed into the funspot, according to Harry J. Batt, owner.

"Sunday's attendance was 25 per cent ahead of last year," Batt said, "and this may be an indication that '49 will be Pontchartrain's biggest veer."

Featured performer is Selden the Stratosphere Man, swaying high pole, who is on for an extended engagement. Fireworks, arranged by Art Briese, of the Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Company, Chicago, also were featured opening day.

The new Kiddieland is expected to be ready in two weeks. A Kiddie Amusement Device Company, Chicago, is being installed, along with a miniature boat, auto and pony and buggy rides.

## I. E. Pierce, Veteran Park Op, Dies at 83

HARTFORD, Conn., May 7.-I. Edward Pierce, 83, prominent for many years in both amusement park and political circles in Connecticut, died April 29 at his home in Bristol, Conn.,

## Pontchartr'n Bows Bob Lo Isle **Funspot Sold**

**Browning Lines plan June** 3 bow for Detroit amusement park under new management

DETROIT, May 7.-Bob Lo (Bois Blanc) Island Park, at the mouth of the Detroit River, which celebrated its 50th year of operation in 1948. has been purchased by the Browning Lines, Inc., and will reopen for the season June 3.

The new owners represent the T. H. Browning Steamship Company and the Nicholson Universal Steamship Company, both of which operate sizable fleets of cargo ships on the Great Lakes. The new firm is headed by a group of four brothers, with T. H. Browning as president. Actively in charge of the park will be L. D. Browning, vice-president of the corporation. W. B. Browning is in charge of advertising, publicity and bookings on the excursion steamers which will operate to the island.

### 240 Acres Involved

Total of 240 acres, nearly the entire island, is involved in the deal, together with the dock at the foot of Woodward Avenue, where headquarters of the Browning operations will be moved. Two steamers, the Columbia and the Ste. Claire, with a capacity of 2,500 persons each, are included in the deal, and will operate to the park, making up to several trips daily. In addition, two small boats will be used to bring patrons from Anherstburg, Ont., to the park. Plans call for installation of a public address system on the boats, with an announcer to point out spots of interest along the Detroit River. Professional clowns also will be booked. to provide entertainment en route. Further gimmick for the rides, as planned, will be the weekly car giveaway.

long-time superintendent of Eastwood, has taken on the additional duties of manager.

Surprise of the week was the "sneak preview" type of bow at Jefferson Beach Park, which opened its gates Sunday (1) without advance publicity or advertising. Attendance was equal to that of some Sundays last year when business was called satisfactory. The park is not yet set for its formal bow and no official date has been set.

Emphasis this season is being put on picnic promotions. Jefferson Beach already has picnics booked with practically every major industrial and association group. Bookings to date, according to Bernard Siegel, manager, exceed the total number of the last three seasons. In addition, park management is working on the booking of smaller school picnics for May and June.

#### **Highly Profitable**

This type of school picnic is highly profitable, both at Jefferson Beach and at Edgewater, where Manager Jack Dickstin has set an extensive schedule. Saturday, April 30, Edgewater was host to 150 youngsters from Maple Junior High School, and Friday (6), Roosevelt School, Detroit, and Northwood School, Royal Oak, Mich., shared the park.

Bargain prices also are in vogue in Detroit spots this year, helping to hypo business and gain plenty of good will. Eastwood, for instance, is continuing its Tuesday night specials, a tradition at this spot, with all rides going for a dime. This is in addition to the special bargain matinees offered Sundays between 1 and 5 p.m., when all rides go for a dime. Edgewater, too, is using this Sunday matinee policy, with rides at a dime instead of the normal 14 to 20 cents.

#### **Continue Free Acts**

The operation at Edgewater, under the general direction of Charles S. Rose, owner, remains similar to that of last season, with free acts being continued. Hank Shelby, formerly of Flint Park, Flint, Mich., is the new concession manager at Edgewater, re-(See Motor City Funspots, opp. page) the Boardwalk at Russells Point, O. 1,200 patrons.

two shuffleboards.

H. E. Parker, manager, reports picnic bookings this year are well ahead of last year. George E. Burrows is manager of the cafeteria and Thomas Egan again will be in charge of the skating rink.

John L. Coleman is park president; Frank A. Holmes, director of promotions, and Paul B. Carlstedt, superintendent of grounds.



IRVINGTON, N. J., May 7.-Henry Guenther's Olympic Park, catering to the heavily populated Newark area, opened its week-end previews today. Another preview will be held next week-end, with formal opening set for Saturday (21).

Rides and concessions were open for preview visitors and band concerts by Joe Basile's band are slated for tomorrow night and Sunday night (15). Park's open-air circus and daily band concerts get under way with the official opening. Olympic's swim pool is being overhauled and will open as soon as the weather warrants.

In addition to the usual fireworks displays, which Fred Murray will provide on holidays, Guenther is mapping a series of special summer events, including a large number of picnics. The George A. Hamid office is providing Olympic's circus acts.

## **Miami Spot Wins Publicity**

MIAMI, May 7.-Edward J. Reicher's Fairyland Park here, a kiddie spot opened a few months ago, recently got a bundle of publicity in local papers when Reicher threw the park open to underprivileged children, reports Happy Golden. Two dailies carried layouts of pictures and text. For the past six years Reicher had the Penny Arcade and games on

following a short illness.

Pierce, who was State Democratic representative from Bristol four times, also was known in Connecticut as a member of the Pierce family, which was long associated with Lake Compounce, amusement park at Bristol. Following graduation from Eastman Business College in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., he became manager of the

park, which office he held for many years.

Later the business was incorporated as Pierce & Norton, Inc., with Pierce holding the position of president until two years ago, when he was made chairman of the board of directors.

Pierce always claimed Lake Compounce the oldest amusement park in the country in continuous operation, the park now being in its 105th year, having been opened in 1844.

Survivors include his widow, Mrs. Josephine Gilman Pierce; a son, Edward G. Pierce, of Bristol; a sister, Mrs. Stanton F. Brown, of Poquonock; a brother, Julius S. Pierce, of Lanesboro, Mass., and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Monday (1) at the Dunn Funeral Home and at St. Joseph's Church in Bristol. Interment was in the family plot in Lake Avenue Cemetery.

## **British Shore Spot Spends** \$28,000 for Improvements

SOUTHPORT, England, May 7 .-Pleasureland here reopened April 15 and will operate daily, except Sundays, until late September.

According to L. J. P. Bedford, general manager of publicity and attractions for Southport Corporation, operator of the park, more than \$28,000 has been expended on improvements. Major projects were an improved layout of attractions and enlarging of parking space. New rides are a miniature railway, kiddie Roto Whip, Swirl and Baby Wheel,

Floral Hall Ballroom on the Promenade is doubling its band budget. A local band is regularly employed, with name bands brought in for one night stands. Ballroom accommodates

#### Up Advertising Budget

Major expansion in advertising. radio, newspapers and small local papers and magazines, is planned.

Plans call for the occasional use of name bands for the first time. Bicycle concession, horseback riding and a number of rides and possibly other attractions will be added.

A regular schedule of excursion trips from Wyandotte, 17 miles south of Detroit, and from Windsor, Ont., is planned, on certain days only, increasing the park's draw from the metropolitan area. Prices will remain the same as last year-\$1 regularly and \$1.30 on Sundays and holidays, with half fares for children.

## **Tulsa's Lakeview** Has 2 New Rides

TULSA, Okla., May 7 .- Two new rides are among innovations at Lakeview Park here which opened.its season Easter Sunday. Spot is owned by Cecil Elifritz and Cliff Wilson.

This is Lakeview's third season, altho its opening in 1947 occurred late in the season.

New rides are a Tilt-a-Whirl and Moon Rocket. A Roller Coaster is expected to be installed soon. Elifritz says the total investment to date is around \$250,000, "But before we finish it will be close to a halfmillion," he declared. Plans call for additional rides and a swim pool, the latter to be built next year.



**Near - Record Opening Play** 

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## sports equipment. Eastwood continues full-scale operation. The harassing tactics of local authorities, who have been opposing the park's right to operate, apparently are at a halt until the hearing on petitions for counter injunctions in court Tuesday (17). Park officials report the opposition has not hurt business and may have helped by giving the funspot extra publicity. **Tests Archery Concesh**

A new archery concession with a large-scale range, designed with moving targets on the order of the familiar lead shooting gallery, is being tested by Mike Englebrink, who closed his shooting gallery recently, following an accident to a patron.

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placing Ralph Williams, who recently

purchased a drive-in restaurant on

At Jefferson Beach, a steady pro-

motion and building program is being continued. The latest addition is a

new Scooter, installed by W. O. King,

Mount Clemens, Mich., ride builder.

The Funhouse, long a park feature,

has been remodeled into a walk-thru

Jeff Prints Brochure

this year as a park promotional piece.

Carrying an attractive two-color

cover, it is profusely illustrated with

pictures of the many park attractions,

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thorities is typical of the co-operation extended by the park. Other instances are the closing of the circus Side Show and the shutting off of outside loud-speakers because official objection was voiced.

A new feature at the park this year is the Kentucky Derby, operated by Mrs. Harry Stahl, with 20 stools for patrons. This is proving an excellent money getter.

### Uses Radio Aplenty

Eastwood is using plenty of radio time this year, getting three-a-day spot announcements five days a week. In addition, many streetcar and bus cards are being prepared.

Eastwood's Gardens, a 5,000-capacity outdoor ballroom, will open Friday (27) with Jerry Wald's ork. Spot this year will close at 1 a.m. weekdays and 2 a.m. Saturdays.

## **Philly Zoo To Feature Allen**

PHILADELPHIA. May 7.-Ross Allen, founder and director of the Reptile Institute at Silver Springs, Fla., will give demonstrations of snake handling at the Philadelphia Zoo Sunday (15) as a highlight of anniversary day.

## **Del. Shore Spot Opens**

PORT PENN, Del., May 7 .- Augustine Beach was opened last Sunday (1) for the season. The spot includes a pier with a hotel at the end, several concessions and a bath house. Owners are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Texis.



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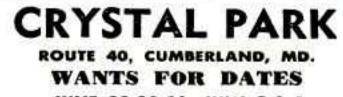


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## **Brydon Signs** Leo Singer's **Midget** Troupe

Inks Other Midway Units

Midgets have been signed by Ray Marsh - Brydon, supplier of midway shows to fairs and parks. The midgets will open at Riverview Park here when the funspot bows and will continue there until the opening of its fair route Brydon announced. One of the fairs the troupe will play is Ohio State Fair, Columbus, where Brydon booked the show thru Floyd E. Gooding, holder of the midway contract.

Brydon also disclosed that he has closed with Jack Green, of T. & G. Producing Company here, for the latter to produce three tent shows for Brydon's fair dates. These units will be a Latin-American revue, a posing show, and a jig show, the latter to be produced under the direction of Sherman Dudley.

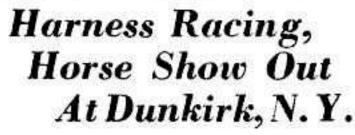
### New Show

Warren B. Irons, former Kansas City burlesque operator, is to frame and operate a walk-thru show under the Brydon banner. This unit, now being readied, will play fairs only.

Julius Kuhnel has been signed to handle a three-in-one freak show for Brydon. The unit, which will include Susie, the elephant girl, and Albert-Alberta, is to open May 9 at Edgewater Beach Park, Detroit, and will shift later to fairs.

Archie McAskill again will have the Illusion Show, Brydon said.

Before leaving here for Savin Rock,



DUNKIRK, N. Y., May 7 .- Chautauqua County Fair, opening here Labor Day for six days, will not have harness racing or a horse show this year the board has decided.

Entry fees in the race events last CHICAGO, May 7 .- Leo Singer's year totaled \$1,280.55, while purses and expenses amounted to \$4,189.95, a loss of \$2,909.40. The 1948 horse show cost \$5,672.22, with income totaling \$1,845.55, a loss of \$3,826.67.

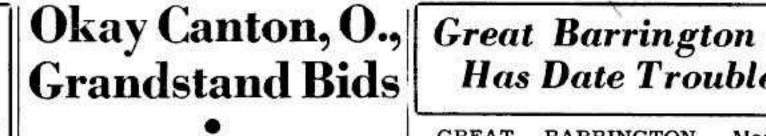
## Eastern Expo **Buildings Get Tax Abatement**

WEST SPRINGFIELD, Mass., May 7.-The West Springfield Board of Assessors, acting under the authorization of Henry F. Long, State tax commissioner, has abated taxes assessed against State buildings on the Eastern States Exposition grounds.

In announcing the abatement of the 1948 taxes-storm center of a controversy that has raged here for several months—Chairman Fred Steel said that the board "has at last accomplished the clarification of the acts under which the land and the buildings of the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Connecticut were intended to be exempt from taxation."

He said the States will hereafter be able to sell at retail the products of their States during the exposition, without raising the question of losing their exempt status.

sessed were Maine, \$1,410.50; New Hampshire, \$1.738.40; Connecticut, \$1,738.40, and Vermont, \$1,410.50. Meanwhile, at a hearing at the State House in Boston before the Legislature's Committee on Taxation. overwhelming sentiment in favor of legislation to exempt from taxation buildings owned by the New England States at the exposition grounds was recorded. The measure under discussion is intended to clarify an act passed in 1920, which failed to provide for the desire of States to advert se to the fullest extent all of their industrial, agricultural and recreational advan ages. Clarification was s ught when the question of the right of States to authorize the sale of various products produced in those Slates was raised last fall. The West Springfield assessors, who raised the question by slapping taxes on all State buildings except the Massachusetts structure, recorded itself in favor of the bill. Representatives of four States were present to speak in favor of the proposed law. Attorney James A. Crotty, of Worcester, representing the Exposition, pointed out that the four States have substantial investments in buildings constructed to advertise themselves. Rhode Island, which has already appropriated money for a building, is disturbed by the controversy, he said, and this has seriously jeopardized efforts to obtain an additional appropriation to equip and furnish the projected building.



**Commissioners** award contracts-city pushes admission tax claim

CANTON, O., May 7.-Stark County commissioners recently accepted bids for repairs and enlargement of the Stark County Fairgrounds here. At the same time Mayor Carl F Klein declared that the city may resort to court action to collect a 3 per cent admission tax at the fairgrounds.

A bid of \$58,671 for the repair of the grandstand and one for \$19,504 for the installation of 1,840 new grandstand seats were approved. Improvements are to be made in time for this year's centennial fair.

Grandstand renovation and remodeling will be done by Penetryn System, Inc., Cleveland. American Seating Company, Cleveland, got the chair contract. New seats will increase the grandstand capacity to 3,000.

The mayor's declaration about court action to collect the admission tax followed a meeting with the county commissioners. The city contends its maps show that the fairgrounds, altho county-owned, are within the city limits.

The tax upon fairgrounds admissions would be considerable, the mayor said. A roller skating rink, operated the year-round by a private company, would be subject to the tax. Commissioners and fair board members contend that the fairgrounds should be tax exempt inasmuch as they are county property. The city began taxing amusements The amount of taxes previously as- after the Ohio State tax was revoked.

## **Has Date Trouble**

GREAT BARRINGTON, Mass May 7.—Great Barrington Fair Association and selectmen of this town are having a cold war regarding datefor the annual Berkshire event. As a result, dates for the fair are stil! up in the air.

The association, of which Ed Carroll is president, wants dates similar to last year, in late August, when weather and summer visitors are usually favorable. The selectmen, at the request of inn keepers, who do not like a date before the Labor Day week-end, want it moved to late September. Fair officials counter with 'he contention the late date is bad, and have even gone so far as to say there is a question whether it would be worth the expense and effort to run in late September.

**Big Night Gates, Slight Spending** Seen for Ohio

WAPAKONETA, O., May 7. -Large night attendance, with spending down 10 per cent from last year. were forecast for Ohio fairs this year at Bi-State Convention of County Fairs here April 28.

More advertising of fairs was urged. It was pointed out that the passage of a bill, now pending in the Ohio State Legislature, would ease advertising of giveaway prizes and the selling of chances on products Harry Kahn, secretary of the Au-

glaize County Fair here was in charge of the meeting devoted to discussions of fair problems. He recommended closer co-operation between fair officials and concessions, and told of his plans to have the nightly grandstand show at his fair end at 10:15 p.m. to give patrons more time to patronize concessions More than 30 Ohio fairs were represented at the one-day convention. Bert DeLong, president of the fair here, was the featured speaker at the opening of the forum. At a banquet, which capped the convention. speakers included Clair L. Hill, Wellington, vice-president of the Ohio Fair Managers' Association; H. S. Foust, Plain City, manager of the Ohio State Fair; Judge G. W. Rittenour, Piketon, chairman of the board, United States Trotting Association; B. P. Sandles, manager of the Clark County Fair, Springfield, and Mack Sauer, Leesburg humorist. Entertainment which followed the banquet was furnished by fair booking agencies. At the entertainment session which gc under way at 9 p.m., Bill T. Hall. of Station WLW, Cincinnati, was emsee with talent provided by George Riddles Booking Service, York & Son Theatrical Booking Agency, Paul Spot Agency, Gus Sun Booking Agency WLW Promotions, Inc., Whitey Gobrecht, Klein's Attractions, Auglaize County Fair Board and Ralph Bechdolt Sound Equipment. The local Chamber of Commerce gave Kahn and assistants excellent co-operation and tossed in two attractive door prizes.

Conn., where he has the Side Show. Brydon denied rumors that Sally Rand would head a girl show for him. He left here accompanied by Red Friend, who is to replace Norman Wolf as manager of the Brydon Side Show at Savin Rock.

## **International Trade** Event for Det. in '50 Now Seen as Possible

DETROIT, May 7 .--- Plans for a major fair here, under discussion for several years, took shape this week when officials of the Detroit Board of Commerce decided to support such an event for 1950. As now projected, this will be an International Trade Fair.

Commercial and industrial exhibits will predominate, althc the event will be held on Michigan State Fairgrounds. Amusement features have not been outlined in detail.

Willis H. Hall, secretary of the board, has been touring Europe, and reported favorably on the project by cable. A meeting for definite planning is to be held upon his return next week.

Earlier plans were to hold the fair in 1951, in connection with the city's 250th anniversary, but word from Hall indicates a strong sentiment by European businessmen to co-operate if it is hled in 1950.

## Hughes Inks Quebec; **New Arena Planned**

NEW YORK, May 7.-Joseph H. Hughes, field representative of the George A. Hamid Agency, this week announced inking the talent contract for the Quebec Exposition, Quebec City, Que. Manager Emery Boucher acted for the annual.

grandstand revue this year for the modeled. The fair will feature harfirst time since its arena, in which ness racing, August 3-5. it annually presented Skating Vanities, was destroyed recently by fire. be ready for the September showing.

## Towanda, Pa., Annual **First Week in August**

TOWANDA, Pa., May 7.-The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Farm Fair will be held here the first week in August, George Snell, VFW commander, announces.

The former Bradford County fairgrounds, recently purchased by the The exposition will present a night VFW, have been improved and re-

George Pike, of Waverly, secretary of the Owego and Hughesville fairs, the Washington County Fair, thru A new arena is planned but it will not will be in charge, and Ash Parsons an invitation extended by Leon will frame the entertainment.

## **Topmiller Is Named To Head Committee** Seeking Ky. State Aid

SHEPHERDSVILLE, Ky., May 7.-Victor Topmiller, president of the Daviess County Fair, Owensboro, Ky., was named at a meeting here April 29 of the Kentucky Association of Fairs and Horse Shows, to head a committee that will seek legislation for State aid to Kentucky county fairs. Topmiller's appointment was made by John C. Wehrley, Louisville, president of the association.

The committe was created at the suggestion of Clyde S. Howard, vicepresident of the Hardin County Fair and a State Representative, who pointed out that the 1938 General Accembly had passed a law permitting State grants of \$500 to \$1,000 to fairs if they matched the appropriations. The measure, however, never became effective as no State appropriation was voted to implement the law.

### Speakers

Other speakers at the meeting included Clyde W. Peel, vice-president of the association and manager of the West Kentucky Fair; George Lambert, new Kentucky State Fair manager; Tom Clore, manager of the Kentucky State Fair Horse Show; L. (Doc) Cassidy, secretary and supervisor of special events for the Kentucky State Fair, and Capt. Tom Cunningham, public relations officer at Fort Knox, Ky.

Representatives\_ of 30 Kentucky fairs, including a large representation from the Bullitt County Fair, which is to be revived here this year after a 20-year lapse, attended. Jack Haberman, president of the Bullitt County Fair board, welcomed the delegates.

association will be held June 23 at Simms, president of that annual.

## Single-Day Records **Broken at Sydney**

SYDNEY, May 7.- The Royal Sydney Show chalked up several record gates, beginning with opening day, April \$13, when 121,603 turned out for opening festivities presided over by Australia's governor, General Northcote. This topped the 1947 opening day record gate by 5,997. The next meeting of the State While total attendance, 1,183,365, exceeded last year's gate, it broke no records. Official figures are not available on the total take, but it was estimated at more than \$800,000.



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## **Fair Dates**

The following corrections and additions to the List of Fair Dates were received during the week ended

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May 6. The complete List of Fair Dates was published in the issue dated April 9. The next complete list will be published in issue to be dated May 28. See

each issue of The Billboard for corrections and additions.

#### ARKANSAS

Waldron-Scott Co. Fair Assn. Third or fourth week in Sept. Norman Goodner.

#### **GEORGIA**

Wrightsville-Johnson Co. Fair. Oct. 3-8. E. L. Brinson.

#### IDAHO

Rirle-Jefferson Co. Fair, Sept. 2-3. Carl M. Shaner.

#### ILLINOIS

Augusta-Augusta Livestock Assn. July 19-22. L. Wayne Robison. Carlinville-Macoupin Co. Fair. Aug. 7-10

John Meno. Greenville-Bond Co. Fair Asan, Aug. 23-27

Theon T. Dewey. Macomb-McDonough Co. Agrl. Fair. July 26-

29. Walter Zettle.

Mazon-Grundy Co. Agrl. Fair. Sept. 2-5. W F. Carter.

Moline-Rock Island Co. Fair. Aug. 23-25 William T. McKelvev.

Nashville--Nashville-Washington Co. Fair Assn Aug. 16-19. James K. Williamson. w

- Oiney-Richland Co. Fair. Aug. 21-26. H. Shultz.
- Pana-Christian Co. Fair. Sept. 2-5. James Moliski.
- Princeton-Bureau Co. Fair, Aug. 23-26. Wayne Slutz.
- Rosiclare-Hardin Co. Fair. Sept. 8-10. Raphael Humm.
- Shawneetown-Gallatin Co. Fair Assn." Sept. 13-16. Charles I. Oldham.
- Sparta-Randolph Co. Fair. Aug. 2-5. Harry G. Foster.
- Virginia-Cass Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 25-27. M. M. Cruft.
- Woodstock-McHenry Co. Fair. July 28-31. R. K Bauder.

#### INDIANA

Lyons-Lyons Community Club Fair. Aug. 23-27 Melvin S. Briggs.

#### KANSAS

Paola-Miami Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 23-25. Loren C. Ellis.

#### MICHIGAN

Onekama-Manistee Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 14-17. Mrs. Ed Briske, Kaleva, Mich.



AN ARCHITECT'S CONCEPTION of the livestock coliseum to be constructed at Minnesota State Fair, St. Paul, is shown above. Estimated to cost \$1,000,000, the building will have a seating capacity of 8,000. Plans call for construction to start about July 1.

#### NEBRASKA

Auburn-Nemaha Co. Fair. Aug. 24-26. G. E. Codington. Bassett-Rock Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 19-21. H M. Bunnett.

Burwell-Garfield Co. Fair, Aug. 10-13 Pau' Bank3. Deshler-Thayer Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 16 19

Milton Beckler. Dunning-Blaine Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 1-4

Vernon John:on. Geneva-Fillmore Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 16-20

Howard W. Hamilton. Grant-Perkins Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 18-20, W.

E. Cannady, Madrid, Neb. Johnsto.xn--Brown Co. Fair. Sept. 3-5. Kenneth Graff.

Leigh-Colfax Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 27-28. Otto C. Weber.

Loup City-Sherman Co. Fair. Aug. 28-30 Clark Reynolds.

McCook-Red Willow Co. Fair, Aug. 14-16. Don Thompson. Madison-Madison Co. Fair. Aug. 26-28. Earl

Moyer. Minden-Kearney Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 24-26.

Mervin Petersen. Norden-Keya Paha Cd. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 8-10.

Harley McCormick, Springview, Neb. North Platte-Lincoln Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 22-

25. Clarence F. Wright. Pawnee City-Pawnee Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 4-

7. W. F. Colwell. Spencer-Boyd Co Fair, Aug. 17-19. R. W. Black.

Tecumseh-Johnson Co. Agrl. Assn. Sept. 19-22. Lloyd Halsted.

Wayne-Wayne Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 14-17. William E. Von Seggern.

#### NORTH CAROLINA

Hickory-Catawba Fair Assn. Sept. 26-Oct. 1. Corbin Green. Louisburg-Franklin Co. Fair. Oct. 3-10. Α. H. Fleming.

## Gay-Lynch Splurge 10G on Equipment, **Up Feeding Capacity**

\$10,000 in new equipment has been purchased by Gay-Lynch Enterprises. concessionaires, for the 1949 season according to Jimmy Lynch. With his partner, Edmond Gay, Lynch is hitting the road this season with a new 26-foot all-metal trailer with a detachable dining room, capable of seating 80 patrons. In addition to the dining room the trailer can handle the public at the rate of 200 customers an hour. This will make the unit capable of feeding 300 persons an hour.

A cab-over model Chevrolet with a 16-foot bed has been purchased to tow the trailer. A refrigerated van eight feet high and 16-feet long has been built on the truck for storage of perishables. Both units were designed and built under the supervision of Jimmy Lynch.

### **New Equipment**

Additional equipment consists of



#### MINNESOTA .

Aitkin-Aitkin Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 16-18. P. C.

Kaplan. Anoka-Anoka Co. Agri. Soc. Aug. 15-17. G. E. Marander.

- Arlington-Sibley Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 12-14. Louis Kill.
- Bayport-Washington Co. Fair. Aug. 12-14. F. S. Lammers, Stillwater, Minn.
- Bemidji-Beltrami Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 8-10.
- Mrs. Hypatla Spangler. Cambridge-Isanti Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 7-10.
- L. O. Carlson. Clinton-Big Stone Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 4-7. Robert L. Wells.
- Elk River-Sherburne Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 15-17.
- E. E. Bjuge, Faribault-Rice Co. Agri. Soc. Aug. 11-14. C.
- C. Adams. Garden City-Blue Earth Co. Fair. Aug. 22-24. Daniel James.
- Grand Marais-Cook Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 8-
- 10. Milford J. Humphrey. Jackson-Jackson Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 18-21.
- Anton C. Geiger. Kasson-Dodge Co. Fair. Aug. 3-7. Victor F.
- Sander, Dodge Center, Minn. Littlefork-Northern Minn. Dist. Fair Assn.
- Aug. 6-7. Elroy Homuth. Mankato-Blue Earth Co. Fair. Sept. 20-21. W. C. Pratt.
- Motley-Morrison Co. Agri. Soc. Aug. 15-17 Leroy Greig.
- Northome-Koochiching Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug.
- 5-7. C. W. Bray. Saint Vincent—St. Vincent Union Indust. Assn. Sept. 15-16. L. C. Ward.
- Shakopee-Scott Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 22-24. R.
- T. Schumacher. Tyler-Lincoln Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 25-28.
- Jens Bollesen. Wabasha-Wabasha Co. Fair Assn. July 29-31. Herbert E. Feldman.

### MISSOURI

- Farmington-St. Francols Co. Fair. Sept. 29-Oct. 1. Joe Grandhomme.
- Fredericktown-Madison Co. Fair. Sept. 23-24.
- Melbourne R Ward. Greenfield-Dade Co. Free Fair. Sept. 8-10
- H M Russell.
- Paris-Monroe Co. Fair Assn. July 28-30. William E. Pugh.
- Platte City-Platte Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 24-26 J. Frank Sexton.

## WANT CARNIVAL FOR COUNTY FAIR

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AUGUST 31-SEPTEMBER 3 Greene County Agricultural Fair, Inc. **JAMES N. HARDIN, President** Greeneville, Tenhessee



OKLAHOMA Antlers-Pushmataha Co. Fair. Sept. 15-17.

R. I. Bilyeu. Ardmore-Carter Co. Free Fair, Sept. 6-10. B. C. Sparks.

Atoka-Atoka Co. Fair. Sept. 15-17. L. W. Martin.

Boise City—Cimarron Co. Free Fair. Oct. 5-8. Rufus T. Dickerson.

Bristow-Creek Co. Free Fair. Sept. 13-16. Earl H. Powell.

Chickasha-Grady Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 19-20. M. G. Tucker.

Clinton-Southwest Fair Assn. Sept. 14-17. A. R. Patrick, Arapaho, Okla.

Collinsville-Collinsville Tri-Co. Fair. Sept. 8-10. Paul Latture.

Cordell-Washita Co. Free Fair. Sept. 14-17. James V Son.

- Dewey-Washington Co Free Fair. Sept. 12-15. Howard Nelson, Bartlesville, Okla. Duncan-Stephens Co. Free Fair. Sept. 14-17
- Fred Huffine. Durant-Bryan Co. Free Fair. Sept. 15-17
- Jack Ridgway.

Frederick-Tillman Co, Free Fair, Sopt. 13-16. Wayne C. Liles. Guthrie-Logan Co. Free Fair. Sept. 14-16.

Harold Casey.

Hobart-Kiowa Co. Free Fair, Sept. 15-17. J W. Remple, Gotebo, Okla, Hollis-Harmon Co. Club Fair, Sept. 15-17.

Thomas S. Cunningham,

Jay-Delaware Co. Fair. Sept. 1-3. James R Welch.

McAlester-Pittsburg Co. Free Fair. S pt. 15-17. O. D. Gamble. Madill-Marshall Co. Fair. Sept. 14-16. Dale

Ozment.

Marietta-Love Co. Fair. Sept. 15-17. Jess Babte

Norman-Cleveland Co. Fair. Aug 31-Sept 3. H. E. Chambers.

Okemah-Okfuskee Co. Fair. Sept. 12-17. Myrl Gray.

Oklahoma City-Oklahoma Co. Fair. Sept. 19-21. Harry F. James.

Okmulgee-Okmulgee Co. Free Fair. Sept. 26-30. A. H. Polley.

Pauls Valley - Garvin Co. Free Fair, Sept. 7-9, H B. Finlayson, Wynnewood, Okla.

Pawhuska-Osage Co. Free Fair. Sept 12-15. A. A. Sewell.

Perry-Noble Co. Free Fair, Sept. 7-10, George Freeman.

Pond Creek-Grant Co. Free Fair. Sept. 20-23. H. J. Dedrick, Medford, Okla. Sallisaw-Scouovah Co. Fair, Sept. 15-17

Howard Ward. Stillwater-Payne Co Free Fair. Sept. 13-16

D. B. Jeffrey Taloga-Dewey Co. Free Fair, Sept. 15-17

William F. Taggart.

Watonga-Blaine Co. Free Fair. Sept. 13-15 Vance L. Deaton

#### PENNSYLVANIA

Beavertown-Deaver Community Fair. Sept 22-24 Kenneth H Boyer Bellwood-Antis Community Farm Show. Sept-22-24. Dorothy Jamison.

Cambridge Springs -Cambridge Springs Fair Assn. Sept. 14-17. Caroline Russell. Clarks Summit-Newton-Ransom Fair. Sept. .14-17. Edward C. Hopkins.

Cochranton - Cochranton Community Fair Assn. Sept. 14-17. Robert Pegan. Dallastown—Junior Chamber of Commerce

Fair, Aug. 15-20. Harold Jameson.

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two trucks, six chuckwagons, two of the conventional set-down cookhouses, four floss and apple stands, four Sno-Kone stands, and six 12 by 12s complete with griddles and novelty stands.

Personnel includes Henry (Whitey) Bahr, general manager; John Mansfield, R. J. Hicks, Frank Wilson, Von Wise and R. Nanson.

Gay-Lynch opened the 1949 season at the Salinas Valley Fair, King City, then played It's May Day in Los Banos, Los Banos. This week they play the indoor circus, Fort Ord, and the Chowchilla Fair, Chowchilla. They play the Jumping Frog Jubilee, Angels Camp, May 13-15. Other dates include the Third District Fair, Chico, and the Marysville Stampede, Marysville.

many years and was well known to many Canadian and American showmen.



fireworks tinish. Represented by AL MARTIN AGENCY, Hotel Bradford, Boston.



**CONCESSIONS WANTED** 

**Cecil Stobbs Dies** LEAMINGTON, Ont., May 7. -Cecil Stobbs, Learnington fair exec, died here Wednesday (4). He had been associated with the annual for



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## Lavish Raynell posing unit paces costly back end -Petersburg gross tops '48

PETERSBURG, Va., May 7.-Issy Cetlin and Jack Wilson have framed a powerful back end for their Cetlin & Wilson Shows in an apparent bid for bigger dates, and it will take plenty of big fair dates to equalize the heavy nut involved. Last year's best f-atures have been retained and others added with the result that there isn't a weak link in the line-up.

Shows preemed here last Friday (29) and, despite a deluge Monday (2), the partners report that the date is comfortably ahead of the 1948 gross, and their confidence in the future is evident in their investment in many new features.

## Posing Unit Tops

The much-heralded Raynell-built posing unit, Manhattan Merry-Go-Round, justifies all claims. Show is housed in a 70-foot round top with a 35-foot peak. The ceiling is lined with peach colored satin and the 16-foot sidewall is draped with black velvet. A 20-foot revolving circular stage, with the center pole as the hub, is built in tiers on which are placed pedestals of various sizes and shapes. Two plush curtains, hung from the top of the tent, completely envelope the stage. A third curtain descends only to the base of the top tier to shield the finale, a Lady Godiva portrayal, until the end of the performance. A simulated grass carpet, several feet wide, completely encircles the tent at the base of the sidewall. Similar carpet circles the base of the stage. The area between the two carpets is enclosed with velvet covered rope. Froducer-Designer Raynell said huge colored transparences, giving a third-dimensional effect, are to be added, along with folding chairs. An attractive lass just inside the entrance will direct traffic with a neon light wand. The front bears the names of most of the nation's better known night clubs and a large (See Cetlin & Wilson on page 77)

## Cetlin - Wilson Greater Tampa Showmen's Org Jones Glows Flash Power Breaks Ground for Clubhouse

CASNEVALS Communications to 155 N. Clark St., Chicago 1. Ill.

C&W, JJJ IN STRONG STARTS

the Greater Tampa Showmen's As- Earl Maddox. sociation was observed here recently, with many Tampa officials and dig- Mrs. Harry Gaughn, Mr. and Mrs. nitaries, as well as a large number of Dick Harris, Edward M. Hunter, Eddie showmen wintering in the area, in Lowe, Jay Kirk, Gean Filardo, George attendance.

J. H. Dolcater, president of the Burd, Edward (Pop) Daily, Sam Greater Tampa Chamber of Com- Dunevitch, Guy F. Gardner, Mr. and merce, and Gypsy Rose Lee, this Mrs. Sam Holman, James Moeller, year on the Royal American Shows. officiated at the actual ground break- May, Jimmie Owens, Whitey Hincking.

The structure, to cost between \$50,-000 and \$75,000, will include a main auditorium, clubroom, game rooms, a board of directors room, an office for the executive and recording secretaries, a barroom, general utility room and a kitchen with facilities to prepare meals for large dinners. One portion of the building is to be devoted to the ladies' auxiliary, which will have its own general office and board room.

### **Terraced** Site

The building site is 100 by 250 feet, and the structure itself will be faced on all sides by a six-foot-high terrace. The entire tract is to be walled by a five-foot stone fence to provide privacy. A huge barbecue pit, large enough to accommodate 500 to 600 guests, is to be built. The building, according to present plans, will be completed by October. Lee, others present at the ground- also launched their season here. Adbreaking ceremonies included Carl verse weather hurt during the first Sedlmayr Sr., Jerry Gaughn, Eddie week. An automobile plant strike the Shrine here; P. T. (Pa) Strieter, the patrons' spending, and this was State Fair here; Mayor Hixon, Duke manufacturing city. Wilson, Nat Rodgers, Larry Ford,

pessimistic themes were shunted

into the background this week as

the Eastern biggies got in their first

licks. Preliminary, and perhaps

hasty, reports indicate that the sea-

son ahead will be okay—at least as

good as last year. The sampling to

date couldn't be construed as ade-

quate, but owners have had a chance

to feel the spending pulse and their

years of experience, coupled with

intuition, a necessary qualification

for survival in a hazardous industry.

have resulted in a definite optimistic

Issy Cetlin and Jack Wilson, co-

owners of the Cetlin & Wilson

Shows, have demonstrated their con-

fidence in the season by spending

extravagantly for back-end features

where flash is essential but dough

in the profit sense is hard to come

by. It will take plenty of people

with money to spend to provide

grosses big enough to take care of

C & W Biz Okay

counting a night lost to weather.

True, the increase can be measured

outlook.

the nut.

TAMPA, May 7.—Ground-breaking Le May, Charles Fogle, Clover Fogle, ceremonies for the new clubhouse of J. C. Huskisson and Mr. and Mrs. Also Leo Carrell, H. A. (Hal) Hall,

Schwerdtfeger, Tommy Arger, Fred

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pontico, Eddie Le ley, Mr. and Mrs. Lew Morgan, Charles Cohen, Tex Darlington, Andy Flynn, Jack Stretz, Mrs. Kay Yennie, Mrs. Bette Reynolds, Mrs. Mac Mc-Gee, and Leon Claxton and His Harlem in Havana band.

Wade's Pontiac **Opener Off 10%** Adverse weather first week,

## auto plant strike prunes gross below '48 tee-off

PONTIAC, Mich., May 7.-Entering the homestretch of its two-week opening stand, which closes here tomorrow (8), the W. G. Wade Shows thru Wednesday (5) were off about quately care for the midway needs Besides Dolcater and Gypsy Rose 10 per cent from last year, when they Hunter, L. B. McSwain, potentate of also injected some uncertainty into secretary-manager of the Florida felt in this primarily automobile

## **Refurbishing under way in** new deal program-D. C. business ahead of 1948

With New Life

WASHINGTON, May 7. - Good weather, together with bigger crowds and more re-

here a year ago, got the Johnny J. Jone- E

on the Benning Avenue lot for 10 days ending tonight. The increase in the take can be measured in only a few percentage points but, nevertheless, the Morris Lipsky-Buddy Paddock operating combo, together with E. Lawrence Phillips, who also was on hand for his home town showing. tagged the results as favorable omens.

The previously announced revitalizing program, designed to build the fortunes of the org and a waning prestige, has been tackled seriously. and preliminary results on display here, plus plans now jelling, will greatly increase the competitive future of the venerable rail org. Except for gaps in the back end, which Lipsky said will shortly be filled, the org presented a spruced-up, spick and span appearance. The rides, all of which are comparatively new, will also be supplemented, altho the shows, in size, need little else to ade-

**Goree Leases Show To George, Edsall** 

ULVSSES, Kan., May 7.-Cecil A. Geree, owner-manager of the State Fair Shows on Parade, announces he has leased his org for the season to Sammy George and Roy Edsell.

Edsall was connected with the T. J. Tidwell Shows for 20 years, moving over to the State Fair office last year. George has been connected with the D. S. Dudley Shows for a number of years.

Gcree, who has purchased hotels in three Texas cities, will devote his time to the hotel business.

## St. Louis Red One **For Hennies Org**

ST. LOUIS, May 7.-Hennies Bros.' Shows enjoyed perfect weather here tl.ru Friday (6), the 10th day of its 12-day stand at Grand and Choteau, and patronage was good. The thermometer ranged between 85 and 92 daily and the night weather was ideal.

org's winter quarters and opening stand, is ahead of last year, dis-The engagement figures to close tomorrow (8) as an extremely profitable one, with the turnouts far offsetting the per capita drop-off in in only a few hundred dollars but spending.

The stand here was auspiced by the Gean Berni, Julio de Diego, husband Pontiac Industrial Union Council, of Gypsy Rose Lee; Whitey Hinckle, CIO. Next week the shows move promise of a well rounded and accept-C. J. Sedlmayr Jr., Snap Wyatt, Phii (See W. G. Wade Pontiac, page 77)

## **Eastern Rail Orgs Corral Okay Takes at Bow Dates**

NEW YORK, May 7. - Cold would gladly settle now for a similar increase on a seasonal basis. weather jackpot sessions and their

> In Washington the Johnny J Jones Exposition, aided by good weather, is also counting on ex-ceeding last year's gross. Partners Morris Lipsky and Buddy Paddock also are happy with their initial date and have a tranquil outlook. E. Lawrence Phillips, the org's patriarch, also thinks the season will be okay, as does Ralph Lockett, whose job it is to set the unit into winning spots.

#### **Jones Revamping**

The show has been considerably spruced up and power added to the back end. An announced revitalizing program is apparently well under way and bigger grosses ought to result.

Frank Bergen's World of Mirth, which preemed in Wilmington, Del., to analyze the date but Bergen, Ralph Smith, the org's treasurer, and Bucky Allen, concession manager, are happy enough with prospects as they see them.

The James E. Strates Shows, first Business at Petersburg, Va., the railroad unit to preem in the East and with more than a month of action behind it, reports continuing Girl Show. Concessions, including prevails. The org's gross last week has a new blue and white canvas in Perth Amboy, N. J., was rethe impression is that most ops ported as 20 per cent ahead of 1948. front.

of most annuals.

### New Gal Show

Typical of the planned rebuilding scheme is the new girlycue, produced and presented by Allen Gilbert, vet burlesque impresario. The show, Allen Gilbert's New York Follies, is a flashy, lengthy performance and contains enough good talent to give able unit. Gilbert, producing under canvas for the first time, this week was still busy coping with the portable a pect of outdoor showbiz but well on his way to licking the problems. Costuming, designed by Billy Livingston, is elaborate.

The huve Dick Best Side Show squared off the back end of the lot here. The unit can almost fill any section of the average railroad show midway. Best is building a new walk-thru unit featuring a sea shell exhibit. A new Posing Show, with a freshly painted front, will get into action next week. The show is well lighted with the towers and front providing an excellent flash.

The front end got a heavy play here with biz beginning very early, while the back-end awaited customers. Carl (Red) Barlow had several units here. The sale of independent space

(See Jones Glitters on page 77)

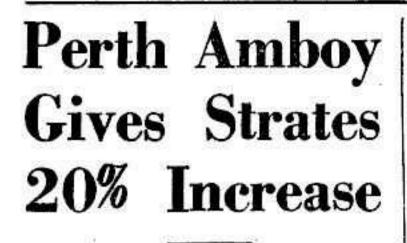
## Westchester Okay **For Morris Hannum**

WESTCHESTER, Pa., May 7 .- In the second week of its tour, the Morris Hannum Shows did fair biz here, despite the fact that some evenlast night (6) has had too little time ings were on the chilly side. The org operated behind a 12-cent gate, with children admitted free.

Rides presented here were a Merry-Go-Round, Ferris Wheel, Loop-o-Plane, Octopus and Chairplane and two kiddie units, train and auto. The back end included a captive w' le. a Side Show, Minstrel and a good business when fair weather grab joints, numbered 23. The org marguee with the show title on the



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**First Break in Weather** 

PERTH AMBOY, N. J., May 7 .--The James E. Strates Shows enjoyed a full week of good weather here for the first time since it began its Northern tour. Business was only fair during the first two days, but large crowds on the last four days gave the midway a gross which topped the 1948 take by 20 per cent.

The short run from Philadelphia was made in good time and this enabled the crews to get most of the units up on Sunday.

Special Agent Edward P. Rahn returned to take up his duties after undergoing a minor operation at his home in Schenectady, N. Y. George Murray, Motordrome operator, suffered three broken ribs while setting up. H. W. Pleus, Monkey Show op, reported one of his best performers stolen. Ray Richards arrived to take over the front of the Pandora unit. George L. Mahs, talker, is now turning them into the Motordrome. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Evans have taken over the management of the Funhouse and continue as operators of the Glass House. John Jacoby, manager of Nat D. Rodger's War Show, reports continuing good business. Jacoby is assisted by Charley W. Lovell.

Gifford Ralyea received a patent on a new ride which is already under construction. Gene Nadreau closed here. He will spend a few weeks with his brother in New York before joining the Ringling-Barnum circus. Gene Padgett joined to talk on Irvin C. Miller's Brown Skin Models. Doc J. T. Jones, vet talker, is turning them on Bentley's Side Show. Frances Fournier is adding more concessions to her already big chain.



TUSCALOOSA, Ala., May 7 .--Georgia Sothern, stripteuse last season with the James E. Strates Shows, will head up a revue, produce and operate it and also a posing show on Cavalcade of Amusements, the latter's manager, Al Wagner, announced this week. The Cavalcade is currently showing here.

Miss Sothern's first date on the show will be during its stand at Evansville, Ind., the week of May She, however, is skedded to 16. join Cavalcade next week at Sheffield, Ala., where she will rehearse her troupe, which she is to bring in from New York as a package pro-Preliminary rehearsals, duction. meanwhile, will have been held in New York, it was announced. Costuming, too, will be completed there.

Negotiations between the stripper and Wagner have been under way for several weeks. Last week she flew to Mobile, where Cavalcade was playing, and the deal was practically completed at that time.

Only recently, the stripteuse crashed the public prints, both newspapers and magazines, when she engaged in a mitt-swinging session with another stripper. At the time, she was playing Bradley's, New York night spot, and the incident not only got into print but was widely aired by news commentators.

Wagner also announced that Mrs. Ike Rose's midgets will join Cavalcade at Evansville for the season.





Bergen Org Cancels Richmond in Predate Move

preemed here last night (6) instead of next Monday (9) as originally skedded, for the express purpose of predating the Cetlin & Wilson Shows, which had inked the town for a day and date showing. However, the expected competition did not materialize, when C&W, in a last-minute switch, decided to by-pass the town and go into Harrisburg, Pa., from Petersburg, Va., its opening stand.

Altho it skipped the town, preliminary maneuvering by C&W forced the Bergen org to a lot in the county just over the city line. The WOM lost its planned in-town location when C&W execs contracted a section of the show lot and left the 40-car biggie with a city license-the only one issued-and insufficient space for setting up on the South Market Street lot. C&W, unable to secure a city permit, had planned to go outside the city limits at the northern border on Governor Printz Boulevard. WOM is over the southern boundary on Maryland Avenue.

#### Permit to Bergen

Bergen obtained a permit about a month ago and C&W, coming in a week later, was denied a permit for simultaneous showing. C&W had previously arranged to rent the parking lot adjoining the Wilmington ball park, where circuses and carnivals traditionally play. The sponsor for C&W was to be the Veterans of For-

WILMINGTON, \* Del., May 7 .- John H. Marks Shows pulled off the Frank Bergen's World of Mirth Shows | lot that the WOM was supposed to go on.

For a time the local situation was stalemated. As late as last Wednesday (4) partners Cetlin and Wilson both maintained that they would come in for the date. Wilson gave as another reason for the exiting the possibility that the competition might result in closing the town. This point was well taken, since a ban was instituted in Schenectady, N. Y., after several local committees squabbled and failed to agree on dates.

Bergen said the move would necessarily delay the planned work program laid out for the Richmond stand, but that it would be revived here and keep pace with the securing of necessary materials.

#### Snellens III

Gerald Snellens, general representative, had the town well papered in advance of opening in anticipation of competition. He is currently confined to his hotel with an attack of gout. Bernard (Bucky) Allen, concession manager, has mostly new equipment, including mobile units.

Bob Gray, of the J. Ferdinand Speer Post, VFW, which sponsored the recent James E. Strates Shows' appearance here, appeared before the City Council Thursday night (5) to protest the sums required to be paid for police and fire protection. The council adopted a motion that its public safety committee call upon the public safety directors, requesting them to

Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Clewly, former troupers.

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Scheduled to open here April 18, Douglas Greater Shows moved in two days earlier and bowed Saturday (16) to good business. Radio spot announcements proved a decided help. The 90-mile move from Kent, Wash., winter quarters was under direction of K. R. (Andy) Andersen, general agent. Owner Earl O. Douglas was on hand to supervise opening activities. Mrs. Douglas joined a few days later. She will supervise the popcorn and candy floss operation during the season.

Ride line-up, under supervision of Superintendent Lloyd (Pop) Russell, includes Merry - Go - Round, Leon Freety, foreman; Charles Coombs and F. Eugene MacDermoth; Ferris Wheel, Edward Lutz, foreman; Ed Kinney; Octopus, Floyd Nowning, foreman; R. A. Long; Tilt-A-Whirl, B. N. Callahan foreman; William Sullivan and Neal Waters; Rolloplane, Charles H. Hupp, foreman; Al Wilbert; Fly-O-Plane, Robert Andersen, foreman; George and Gilbert Elwell; Coaster. Ernest Susanf, foreman. Mr. and Mrs. Everett Butler have automobiles, whale and airplane kiddie rides.

Mrs. Charles Hupp, Mrs. Tom Preston, Mrs. Alex Stewart and Mrs. Long are selling tickets. Tom Preston, mechanic, joined at winter quarters, while Emil (Nubbins) Nelson came on as assistant mechanic. Alex Stewsons, Bill and Jerry, arrived with a new trailer to take over the candy floss and popcorn stands. Mr. and Mrs. Bud Douglas, who operate the Snake Show, took delivery on a new trailer. They also operate the midget horses, with Kenneth Latham assisting them.

Don Gilbert and Eddie McCue are representing A. J. Budd's Side Show. Bob and Jenny Perry are operating the Motordrome and Iron Lung, assisted by Chick and Clara Trotter and Freddie Sperb. Mr. and Mrs. Newman have the Girl Show.

Jack Glassman brought in his scales and pitch-till-you-win, while Ray Holding has six stands, with David strong, who delivered a ride to Ev-(Tiny) Starr handling them for him. Red Hackett, Society Red Shreves and and Phil Cunningham.

eign Wars, while the WOM is showing under the auspices of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

Bergen had planned to protect his city license by erecting several kiddle units in town Monday (9) and so guard against possible forfeiture, with the permit being reissued to C&W.

The battle for the town, which Jack Wilson, co-owner of the losing org, today said was "too small to give both of us a living," was costly to both sides. C&W, in sewing up lots, invested an estimated 2 grand, and this figure was considerably upped by other, normal expenditures with no refunds possible. The WOM, which had not left its winter quarters in Richmond, Va., was perhaps in a better position, altho it had to pay off its home town committee. Also, the Bergen forces invested some money in decoy advertising in Richmond.

### **Richmond No Good**

Richmond, WOM execs explained. was always a preview spot and never turned a profit, since the org was always predated, sometimes by as many as a half-dozen shows. By way of example they pointed out that the

Joe Moss are with Harry Goodman and Rex and Peggy Boyd came up from Palm Springs, Fla., with their Teddy Bear and ham and bacon art is electrician. Helen Henn and stands. Sam Goldstein and Larry Kirkbride have a jewelry layout, while Henry (Hank) Moore, Charlie Moore and Hank's sons, Lyle and Harold, are operating four stands. Pete and Helen Ristak have the palmistry booth, with Norman (Dutch) Schue operating his derby race and a goldfish stand. Ernie Hulmes again has the cookhouse. Stella and Tom Coates and Gene Stevens are working out front and Marie (Mom) Russell is handling the kitchen.

> Neta Vannerson had a novelty layout, with Joan Hupp assisting her. W. G. (Slim) Tremain is handling the office. W. F. Vannerson is auditor. Recent visitors included Tom Armerett Butler; Mrs. K. R. Andersen

rescind their rule that off-duty police be hired. Gray told the councilmen that police protection had cost \$240.





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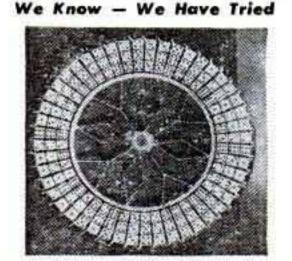
Joseph Lehr, spot store worker, pens from Philadelphia that William Hagelman, concessionaire, has added two stores giving him a total of 10 on the Simon-Krouse Shows. Hagelman's manager this year is Tex King, of Jensen Beach, Fla. Billy Boxer left the shows recently with his two ball games to join Dick's Greater Shows, Lehr reports. . . . Line-up of Duke Del Rio's Side Show on Capell Bros.' Shows includes Del Rio, manager: Si Perkins, musical cartoonist: Duke, Margie and Kathleen Del Rio, impalement; Johnny Flannery, electric chair, and Singapore Duke, tattoo artist. . . . Bill Meyers, photo gallery operator, is working with J. R. Stephens, taking photos of carnivals

Retired ride man can remember the day have toured the midways of Down River, W. G. Wade, Happy Holiday, Lee's United and Happyland shows.

... Following a 670-mile jump from the South, Joe Teska has joined Badger State Shows with his Model Farm. ... Ray Garrison and Johnnie Jarrell are no longer with Doc Hartwick on the James E. Strates Shows. They will work their own Lola Snake Show on Cole Bros.' Circus this season, with Ray on the inside and Jarrell handling the front. . . . Turner Bros.' Shows hosted members of the Springfield, Ill., Junior Deputy Sheriffs League when shows played Springfield. Princess Marquita, snake charmer, was featured at the Carniv. I Sale promotion stunt in a Springfield drugstore during the engagement.

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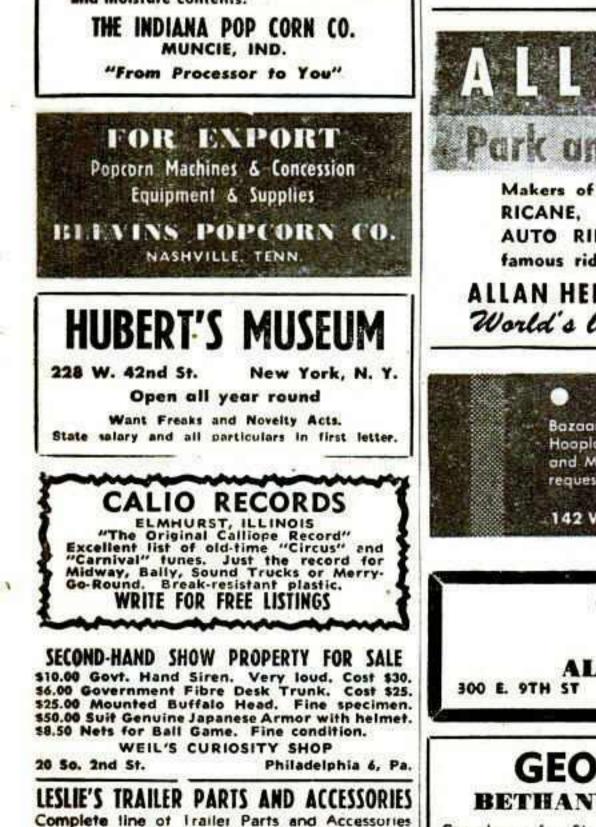
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## Making a Lot Out of a Little Harry Seber's Girl Show Plan

### (Continued from page 52)

It was in 1908 when The Great Train Robbery (which would have been the Academy Award winner had there been an Academy Award) was shown as a double feature. Of course, there was no companion picture on the bill, but the added attraction was the Tour Car, which rocked the patrons who sat in cushioned train seats, giving them the sensation that they were being whisked thru the hills of El Cajon on a Santa Fe flyer.

Hall's Tour Car lasted six months at this location and was removed to make way for the first motion picture theater in that city. A partition was installed across the front part of the store with a box office built in the lobby. The audience sat in chairs rented from a near-by undertaking establishment.

#### **Adds Attractions**

Not content to give the patrons a single attraction, Seber prevailed upon his partner to hire a piano player and a girl singer to lead the song fest to illustrated slides.

A year of this was enough for Seber, and he moved to Los Angeles. He was 16 when he joined Charlie Klopot, who held the California State rights to certain pictures. Movies seemed to be the coming thing and Seber had little or no trouble selling the smaller theaters in the City of Angels and vicinity. Klopot later was to become a partner of Sol Lesser, well-known film producer.

#### **Tables** Turned

Seber, who has a knack for making a lot out of a little, found the tables turned on him in 1915 when he went into the San Diego Exposition, which marked the completion of the Panama Canal. He was to manage a \$350,-000 exhibit of the Canal constructed on scale on a stage 300 by 50 feet. When the display opened, 140 employees were necessary to keep it running. Later, the roster was cut Show and threw his money in with to 45-a necessary retrenchment, for only six or eight people were in the auditorium which seated 3,500. The only day the Canal show did any business was when the man who built stricted, the people arrived on time. the real McCoy was the guest of honor. From then on, with few exceptions. it was up to Seber to make something from nothing. He moved to Los Angeles and opened the first store show on Main Street. Attesting to its success was the fact that in a short time there were six.

girl show-and the box office was literally mobbed. Seber watched the dimes pour in and decided then and there if he was to stay in show business it was girl shows for him.

Evidently it was to be only in San Diego that Seber was to be showered with the good fortune of having plenty with which to do things. The exposition had spent \$90,000 for a replica of the Hawaiian Islands. Lights were placed 90 feet in the air to give the Waikiki Beach moonlight effect. There were sand, hula huts, 24 Hawaiians and no business. Feeling that things could not be worse, the showman conceived the idea of putting tables around the place and serving drinks. For the price of a drink the patron also got a 30-minute musical show.

Then Seber went to work! The patrons had entered the famous Hawaiian Village for free, had drinks and enjoyed a musical show, but had they seen the real Hawaii? After they heard Seber's pitch they were certain they had not. So they filed by and bought their tickets.

#### He's Saved

This was a typical Seber operation. Keep 'em interested and keep 'em coming is the basis of his success. It saved the Hawaiian Village and Seber.

The year 1917 saw Seber owning his first girl show, which he put on the A. C. Bouchers Shows midway. The carnival moved to Eureka, Calif., and there the people were told the show would jump to Vancouver by boat! Arriving in the Canadian city. the show played near an army camp and garnered plenty. On this stand alone Seber got \$2.000.

### **Quits** Carnivals

Operating with money in his

common. There he had a girl show under canvas. E. K. Fernandez, the Hawaiian showman, looked it over, and persuaded Seber to ship it to Hawaii for a three-month tour.

Early in 1920 Seber returned to the mainland and teamed with Charlie Smith in operating a museum in Los Angeles. This operated for three years.

#### **Back to Hawaii**

Bill Rice had booked a water circus with the Shrine in Honolulu and about that time Seber accepted the managership of it.

The hop-scotching that had marked Seber's life about 1918 was in again, for back in Los Angeles he rejoined Smith and later opened the Blossom Wilson School of Dancing. Feeling the urge to have shows, he put out small roadshows that played city theaters and those in adjacent towns. About that time Benny Oster bought the Arrow Theater in Los Angeles and a girl show was opened there. It did not take long for them to learn that extra revenue had to be earned.

#### **Pitch Works Again**

Seber went back to his old formula. Instead of a finale, patrons were advised that behind the curtains a new Oriental type of dance was being presented for an additional charge of 50 cents.

The Pacific Coast Showmen's Association was organized in 1922 with the late Sam Haller as president. Seber accompanied him on many jaunts to cemeteries in the vicinity. and helped select Showmen's Rest in Evergreen Cemetery. Later Seber was named the first PCSA chaplain.

### Named PCSA Prexy

In 1928 the PCSA voted him president and to bolster interest nights honoring outstanding showmen were inaugurated, the first being held in tribute to J. W. (Patty) Conklin.

When A Century of Progress opened in Chicago, the girl show in the Spanish Village was produced by this San Diegan. Two years later he had Streets of Paris in San Diego

member and Sammy Corenson, who was SFA's leader for two years, immediately made him a vice-president. With this post went the chairmanship of the cemetery board, and at two or three meetings Seber was successful in raising \$3,000 to buy the plot in Mount Olivet Cemetery. A monument was purchased and installed in the plot.

This past year Seber was with Margaret (Zerima) McCluskey as general agent of her Centennial Shows.

#### **Meet the Missus**

At A Century of Progress there was a dance, Sophisticated Lady, that Walter Winchell predicted would outdo the famed fan dance. At California Pacific International Exposition, San Diego, this dancer, Frances Gilman, was the attraction at the top money-maker, Street of Paris. She has been Mrs. Harry G. Seber for 18 years.



## HARRY CRAIG'S HEART OF TEXAS SHOWS

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### "Stella" Clicks

After taking what he could out of the store show, this youthful impresario saw the possibilities of making money out of the top attractions at the San Francisco Exposition and showing them at San Diego, where the event was repeated. So, Seber showed up with Eddie Vaughn, who had the \$6.000 painting, "Stella." The power of publicity became evident to the native Diegan for the ballyhoo, "Have you seen Stella?" and "Stella wants to see you," paid off big at 10 cents per head. With this sort of promotion, "Stella" played to 90 per cent of the admissions at San Francisco. No other attraction is believed ever to have done this well.

Seber recalls that "Elizabeth, the Living Doll" was the second top money-maker in the Bay City. Third with an educated horse and "Madame Ellis, the Woman Who Knows." Madame Ellis later played the Orpheum time and continued her lucreearning cycle.

All of these attractions were moved to San Diego, where Sid Grauman, now owner of the Grauman's Chinese Theater in Hollywood, had Underground Chinatown, an exhibit showing opium smoking dens, slavery and other morbid things.

Paris After Midnight-naturally, a Taft, Calif., where the gushers were

pocket, Seber quit the carnival and moved Paris After Midnight to Seattle. Here he met the owner of the Great Dominion Trained Animal the circus owner's. The show set out for Canada and two weeks later the government took over all baggage cars. Since the coaches were not rethe equipment arriving in freight cars days behind them. In Sedro Woolley, Wash., Seber counted his

money. This took only a second or two. There was only one thing that Seber knew he could start without money-a girl show.

The morning after he arrived in Seattle he saw an ad in which Frank

W. Babcock was looking for shows and concessions to play "the biggest show in the Northwest," a Fourth of July celebration in Hoquiam, Wash. The war was on and the town was filled with servicemen. In addition. trainloads of lumberjacks invaded the town.

#### **Profits Big**

This was the only girl show in that neck of the woods. Seber sold tickets until his pockets bulged, and walked away with \$2,700 for posing two girls. At the end of the season with Babcock, the Felice Bernardi Shows. playing Northern California, had Paris After Midnight.

For the next two or three years Seber was with Colonel Cummings and had a girl show at the National Orange Show, San Bernardino, When the fair closed, he returned to Berand fourth were Captain Sigsbee nardi. The association was brief, for soon Seber was back with Babcock. John Ward took the Paris show and Seber left Babcock for Bernardi. He finished the season and went to San Francisco to open the Casino Theater. In this location Seber became a musical comedy producer, his first venture lasting six weeks. In Long Beach he produced the Kandy Box Revue, which got its share of the Signal Hill oil boom money. Seber put several shows on the Pike. Also shown at the exposition was Following the boom, Seber went to

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and three years later, in 1938, he produced a show that got top money at Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto for Patty Conklin. In 14 days the show grossed about \$25,000.

Back in San Francisco, the Greenwich Village show at the Golden Gate Exposition was staged by him the first year. The second year Sally Rand took over.

### Joins SFA

It was during World War II that Show Folks of America, San Francisco Chapter No. 2, was organized. Seber did not join immediately for some people had felt that a past executive of PCSA should not be a member of another club. SFA was about a year old when he became a GEORGIA AMUSEM Want Concessions for following spots: Buford, Ga., May 9-14; Corning, 16-21; Dahlonega, 23-28. These I played last year 16-21; year and were very good. Use Bingo, \$25.00 week, or work with office. Devil's Bowling Alley, Hoop-La, Jingle Board, Short Range Gallery, Balloon Dart, Pan Game open. We have four Rides and only the cleanest shows can play there spots.

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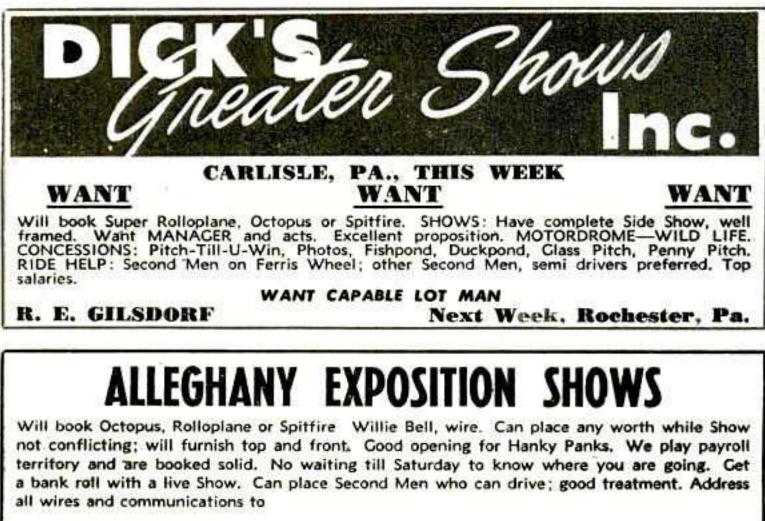


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## FROM THE LOTS

## W. S. Curl

LONDON, O., May 7. - Shows opened an eight-day stand here April 30 under American Legion auspices to a light rain and a thin crowd which spent freely. Weather and business the remainder of the week were good.

Staff includes W. S. Curl, manager; Josephine Crul, secretary-treasurer; W. T. (Bill) Hopkins, general agent and press; Pat Harding, maintenance and ride superintendent; Don Wagner, advance and lot superintendent, and Shorty Betz, electrician,

Concessionaires are Ted Cole, bingo, fish pond, duck pond, merchandise, huckley buck, spill the milk and pea pool; Walter Curtis, cork gallery, dart store and pitch-till-youwin; James Chapman, balloon darts and basket pitch; B. E. Lichlighter, cotton candy and candied apples; Paris Montanez, balloon dart and ball game; Harry Hopkins and Timothy Nolan, long-range gallery; Vick Harding, popcorn; Van Balkenburg, cork gallery; Ida Hardin, grab joint; Harold Reed, short-range gallery and sno-cones; James Farrell, string game and glass pitch; Shorty Betz, cat rack, and Garland Flowers. photos.

Rides and foremen include Ferris Wheel, Gail Sherritt; Chairplane, Goon Anderson; Merry-Go-Round, Jack Parrish; Tilt-a-Whirl, Jack Scanlon; kiddie auto, Stanley East and miniature train, Charles Johnson.

Shorty Betz, Don Wagner and Pat Harding and their crews have done a good job in readying the org. Bert Geyer is the artist. Route will carry shows into Kentucky, Indiana and thru Ohio.-W. T. (BILL) HOP-KINS.

## O. C. Buck

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., May 7. -Most of the equipment was erected here Sunday (24) after a fast run from Troy. Attendance has been good and business okay. An escaped monkey resulted in considerable publicity and helped boost attendance. Orville Hagen's Motordrome got a good play here.

Vandals slit some of the concession tops to steal merchandise, but they were apprehended by the local police. Mrs. Mildred Swartz is in Memorial Hospital, Albany, convalescing from a major operation. She would like to hear from friends. Samuel (Uncle) Babering joined Sid's Midway Cafe. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wozniak joined with concessions. Eddie Evans arrived from Columbia, S. C.

Troy visitors included many members of the King Reid Shows and the Allen Smith Shows. Visitors here included Joe Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Stamos, of the Strates Shows; Paul Merriman, Pioneer Shows; Mr. and Mrs. Redge Dawson, AAA official starter; Bill Malarkey, Captain Fox and Eddie Rahn, Strates contracting agent.—ROY F. PEUGH.

## **Bee's Old Reliable**

CORBIN, Ky., May 7.-Bad weather hit shows' opener in Livingston, Tenn., April 25-30. Most of the week was lost, but a good Saturday matinee and night crowd helped. Move in here followed and, due to the difficult and roundabout way the trucks had to take, shows blew Monday night (9) but were all set for Tuesday night when the lot was crowded. Spending was heavy Wednesday night.

A few more concessions joined for the Kentucky trek. Org's fair dates



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CHESTER, Pa., May 7. — Org moved into near-by Trainer at Fourth and Clayton streets this week. Monday (2) was washed out by a cloudburst at 5 p.m., and the opening was put off until Tuesday, when 4,700 paid admissions were recorded.

The Evening Times was liberal with space, George Northbridge, managing editor, contributing a column, plus daily art and stories.

A wire recorded broadcast of show talent and execs, made on the midway Wednesday night (4), was a feature the same night over Station WVCH. T. W. (Slim) Kelley, Johnny Ornellas, Del Crouch and Jimmy Simpson were on the program. Tom Harvey, outlet's program manager, interviewed John H. Marks. Walter D. Nealand arranged the program, which was emseed by Ornellas.

Friday and Saturday in Richmond were big despite a drizzling rain which cut down attendance of kids at the Richmond Dairy Company matinee. Saturday night netted a record for the show in Richmond.

In a listing of show personnel last week, the names of Thomas J. Heath, chief electrician, and Art Ross, Diesel engineer, were omitted.—WALTER NEALAND.

## Veterans' United

WORTHINGTON, Minn., May 7.— Shows opened here April 30 and Coowners Charles Carroll and Jack Mc-Donald were satisfied with attendance. Weather was perfect and the kiddies thronged the midway at Saturday's matinee.

Personnel includes Florence and Red Cundiff, cookhouse: Otis Porterfield, electrician; Mrs. Vi Porterfield and children, photo gallery; glass pitch and country story; Paul Ebersole, bingo and Octopus; Bob Evans, diggers and sky fighters; Mrs. Ester Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Davis, watch-la, bowling alley and cork gallery: Verna and Buster Kumalae, fish pond and novelties: Howard Kumalae, Hawaiian Show: Mrs. Peggy Junkens, Funhouse, popcorn, ice cream and candy floss; Billy Pappas, pin store, with Ernest Taylor, agent: Chief Little Wolf, Athletic Show; Mr. and Mrs. Happy Hooper. Penny Arcade; Jerry Ramsey, pea pool; Neva Lanke, penny pitch, mailman and The Billboard sales agent. Recent visitors were Mr. and Mrs. William T. Collins, owners of the shows bearing their name; Mr. and Mrs. Gus Pappas; Chet Junkins; Mr. and Mrs. Gill Tuve, Northern Exposition Shows .- NEVA LANKE.

## Lawrence Greater

HENDERSON, Ky., May 7.—In its seventh week of the season, the org has been running smoothly here with warm, clear nights prevailing. The show got in its first three consecutive nights of business here thru Wednesday (4).

The first five towns played each had a population of more than 100,-000 but the weather hurt. To date the show has chalked up four winning stands. Hopkinsville, Ky., with Camp Campbell nearby, provided a bang-up week. The stand here, with Camp Breckenridge and Evansville, Ind., just across the Ohio River, thru Wednesday (4) bore all indications of another big week. Per capita spending, however, is definitely off.

The org has 14 rides, 10 tented shows, plus a Funhouse and Motordrome. The three kw. light plants and a 30 kw. auxiliary are carried. Vari-colored fluorescent towers and a neon front flash up the layout. Fifty-five concessions are operated under Fitzie Brown. Of these, Luther Sinclair has 11, plus the Bob Parker diggers.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Levy are assisted in the management by Cash Wiltse, with the office again held down by Jay L. Machamer. C. P. Henry, billposter, also handles the second agent's job. Johnny Matise, with one assistant, is superintendent of transportation and Jack Repass, with two assistants, is superintendent of the Diesels.

Betty Repass is in charge of the front gate tickets, Eddie Coe has the bingo, with Ralph Brown as caller, Robert Collins as checker, K. B. Fitzgerald as stockman and Ike Johnson, Bill Kirby and Johnny Moored as countermen. Walter Page is the shows' carpenter, the cookhouse and grabstand is operated by Zelda and Lou Meyers with the help of Al Devine, Curley Wolfe, Janie Brownell, Doris Myers, David Hollis, Junior Moore and George Engelmeyer.

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Concessionaires include Luther and Cherry Sinclair, Johnny J. O'Conner. Vic Batista, Bob Kemp, E. J. Hart, Abe Stein, Jew Murphy, Charlie Allen, Boxy Brooks, Curley Giouard, George Ready, Maurice Richley, Art Radke, Herb Miller, Joe Lewis, Lewis Schwartz, Jack Langdorf, Pudie Smith, Benny Kielman, George Hamilton, Sonny Scotland, Mrs. Vivian Richley, who has the palmistry, with Ercelle Baldwin, Bettye Earnest, and Nora Radke as readers; Bill Earnest, Howard Stroud, Ted Huerbin, Bob Baldwin, Dick Huerbin, Lawrence Jones and Joe Frazier.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Harris joined and have taken over the pan game, pea pool and clubroom. Roy Mc-Govern, in his fifth year with the show, has Mrs. Levy's popcorn and candy apples.

Recent visitors included Bob Kline, general agent of the Endy Bros.' Shows; Kinky Wolfe, St. Louis; Shot Gun Page, Page Bros.' Shows; John R. Wade, Mr. Yates and other officials of the Trenton (Tenn.) Fair; John J. Daus, Anchor Tent & Awning Company, Evansville, Ind.; Mel Dodson, Dodson's Imperial Shows, and Arthur Petty and Jessie Craig, old friends of the writer.

Longest move to date was from Atlanta to Nashville, a distance of 302 miles.—HERB SHIVE.



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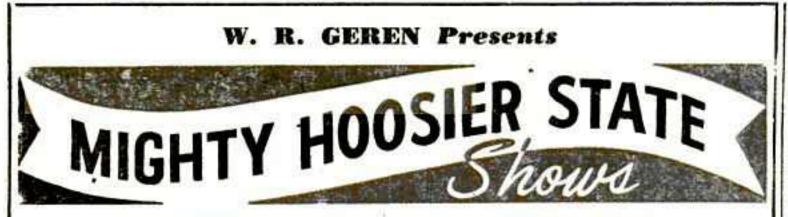
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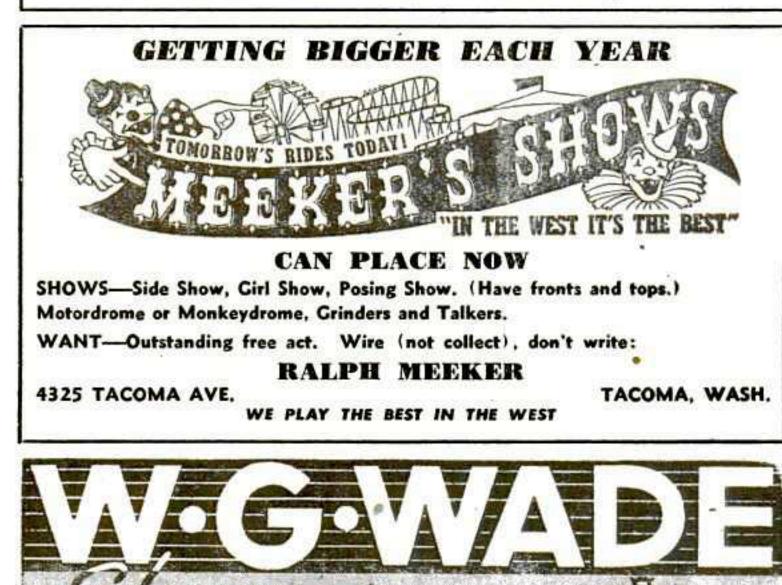
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Connersville, Indiana, this week; Kokomo, Indiana, May 16-24.



## FROM THE LOTS

## Virginia Greater

CAMBRIDGE, Md., May 7.-The show had a fairly satisfactory stand last week at Salisbury, Md. Weather breaks were bad and business on opening night, Monday (25), was poor because of chilly wind. The sponsoring American Legion Post brought out its 30-piece band for the opener, but even this failed to hypo biz.

Tuesday (26) was slightly warmer and brought a good crowd of spenders to the midway. Wednesday (27) with rain and chilly breeze netted fair business at night. Weather continued cool Thursday (28), putting a damper on receipts. Friday (29) night drew crowd that spent, and Saturday afternoon (30), with kiddie rides at 9 cents, brought out many moppets. Warmer weather Saturday night (30) brought fair biz.

Jerry and Edna Gerald, from Florida, joined with their concessions and agents, including Frank E. Walker, cigarette gallery; Dan Mc-Namara, ball game; Irish Kelly and Jerry Gerald, pan game, and Mrs. Edna Gerald, ball game. General Manager Rocco Masucci has ordered a tractor and semi-trailer for the stay. Rolloplane.

On the jump from Suffolk, Va., to Salisbury the Chairplane truck was forced off the road by a car.

Kiddies with the show were guests at a birthday party for Evelyn Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Jones. novelty concessionaires, Thursday (28). Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. George Berman, Pottsville, Pa.; A. T. Holman and Legion party, Pocomoke City, Md.; William B. Mitchell and Mr. and Mrs. Buck Tilghman, of Salisbury,-H. W. (HAP) ARNOLD.

## **Garden State**

## **Ross Manning**

ROSELLE, N. J., May 7.-Org has made a little money despite having to buck cold and rainy weather. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kraus are back with candy floss. Mr. and Mrs. Dave White have a duck pond. Earl Myers has the Side Show and takes care of the back-end. Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Wilson have pitch-till-you-win and french fries. Mike and Mickey Ferron and Jack Stern are working the razzle. Mrs. Stern and daughter visited.

Smokey Roberts is handling mail and The Billboard. He expects to be joined shortly by his wife. A birthday party is planned for owner Manning. Harry Parker, general agent, also expects his wife to join soon.

## Wolfe Amusement

ALTAVISTA, Va., May 7.-Org has been stymied by rain on and off the last two weeks. Org was closed from April 30 thru May 2, because of weather here.

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The Johnson family joined here with two concessions. The writer and Halstead added hoop-la, bringing total concessions to five.

Mr. and Mrs. Wantz are on a fishing trip. Owner Wolfe's family is expected to join soon.-ERNEST SYLVESTER.

## **Peppers All States**

HARRIMAN, Tenn., May 7.-Bad weather, which has dogged this org since opening March 11, in Alexandria, La., continues. Three days here brought the only good weather experienced. Corky Zimmerman joined with his cookhouse. Other concessionaires are Virgil Dillon, Dutch Kreuse, Harry Smaglick, Louis Augustino, and Ronald Cline. Frank Pernetti is ride superintend-Olive McAninch holds down the of the owners, has a hand in all operations.





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COPLAY, Pa., May 7.-Move here from New Holland, Pa., quarters was made without mishap and all rides and shows were up and running for the Saturday matinee (April 30), which turned out to be the biggest ent, and Bobby Sickles is manager. opening mat in the shows' history. Crowds came nightly and spending office. Gregory Lewis Peppers, son was good, with the Ferris Wheel and Tilt-a-Whirl running neck and neck for top ride money. The Monkey Drome, under Snowball Mason, again is topping the shows.

R. H. Miner Jr. has finished the sound truck, and the writer will operate it. Harold Strickland, carpenter, is building new fronts for the Chairplane and Kiddieland. New fluorescent lights have been ordered for the Tilt-a-Whirl. K. Whitehead, electrician, is doing a good job with his end.

Recent visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dhiel, Lehighton, Pa.; Mr. Kuntz, Allentown; Joe Fiore, Easton, and William Atterbury, James E. Strates Shows .- HIP ROB-ERTS.

## **Crystal Exposition**

ABBEYVILLE, S. C., May 7 .--Despite several weeks of inclement weather shows' tour has been good. Gainesville, Ga., was okay despite rain. In Barnesville, Ga., org was rained out the first three days but the remainder of the week was good. Line-up includes Nina B. Scott, general agent; Bill Bunts, lot superintendent and cookhouse; Chuck and Ivene Staunko, electrician and concessions; Nina and L. C. Scott, percentage: Art Carver, bingo and bumper; Lee Hoss, stock stories; Ross Houghton, mechanic and ride superintendent; Mrs. Houghton, kiddie planes; the Bob Millers, sound car and concessions; Eddie Betts, Funhouse, and Madame Burleson, Negro revue.

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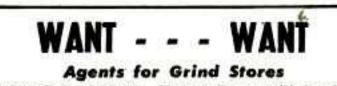
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A mobile telephone system has been installed on the show. The Turners recently took delivery on a 30-foot Luxor trailer. Irene, billed as Queen of the Ivories, has ordered a new Hammond organ for the front gate.

Show staff includes Ray and Cecil Turner, co-owners; Dorothy Turner, secretary; Marie Turner, concessions; Sammy Silverstein, general agent; R. V. Collins, mechanic; Donald Coil and Carl Jones, maintenance; Mr. and Mrs. W. Fellis, front gate, and Beulah Price, mail and The Billboard sales agent.

Shows: Cuban Mack, freaks and curiosities; James McCann, Girl and Posing shows; Buckstein, circus menagerie, and Stanley Wrisley, Snake Show.

Handling the rides are C. Gozia, superintendent; L. Gray, Ferris Wheel; M. Hansen, Tilt-a-Whirl; William Palmer, Octopus; John Nordmann, Spitfire; Robert Deffendall, Rolloplane; Glenn Spiller, kid rides, and Pearl Pierson, train and Pony ride.

Concessions include William F. Johnson, J. G. Jackson; George Peterson, J. A. Waters, Marie Turner, Dale Quillman, William Lite, William Berry, Thomas and Frank Berry, Theo DeWitt, John Paridoo, E. H. McMeen, Sid Meyers, Sam Spanglo, Robert Fingar, W. G. La Vahn, Beulah Price and D. Turner.

Visitors included Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Law, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Snapp, John Francis, Buster Wilson and C. C. Hunter.

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Org lost three nights to rain on the Piedmont date but came back strong the final two nights. The new Comet had steady business at 25 cents a pop. Monkey Show and bingo did well but concessions and grab were light. Harry Boyle is in charge, with Harry Lothridge on advance. Visitors included Jack Strapp, Dixie Dugan and Mary and Jim Stutz.

#### Smith Amusement

CORDELL, Okla., May 7.-Org's engagement here was one of the best; rides, shows and concessions doing fair business. Eddie Yagla has returned from a booking tour thru Oklahoma, Colorado and Kansas. Sol Shaftall has joined with rat game and Mr. King with diggers. George and Martha Laswell also have joined. Art Hanson, general agent of Victory Exposition, was a visitor.-MRS. LAWRENCE SMITH.

## Johnny's United

LEWISBURG, Tenn., May 7.—Four weeks of rain and cold haven't helped business. Delivery on the new Rolla-Whirl and Octopus is expected May 20. Advance Agent Jimmy Bush and wife were away from the show a few days visiting Jimmy's father who is ill. Jack Thorner visited his brother

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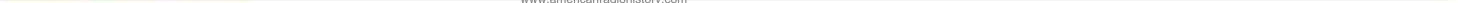
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RIDES: Will book Caterpillar and Boat Ride. SHOWS: Jerry, will expect you to answer at once and be ready to join at Kankakee, III. Can use Snake Show, Wild Life, Illusion, Crime, Unborn, Fat Show, Outlaw, Motordrome, or any Show of merit that has own equipment and can stand prosperity. CONCESSIONS: Can place Hanky Panks of all kinds, no "EX". Ball Games all open. Want Fish Pond, Hoop-La, Balloon Darts, Add-Em-Up Darts, Short Range Gallery, Coke Bottles, Cork Gallery, Bumper, Novelties (Gas Balloons sold), etc. RIDE MEN: Need Merry-Go-Round Foreman that understands Allan Herschell 3-Abreast. Must have chauffeur's license and drive semi. If you can't get it up and down and keep Ride clean, also yourself, don't answer. Can use one or two first class Second Men. No bums. Can place one good Man on Front Gate and Downey Light Towers. If your want to make money and can stand prosperity, now is your chance to get with the coming Show of America. We have our own light plants.

#### All Replies: JACK DOWNS, General Manager

Pine Bluff, Ark., this week, or Shermon Hotel, Chicago.

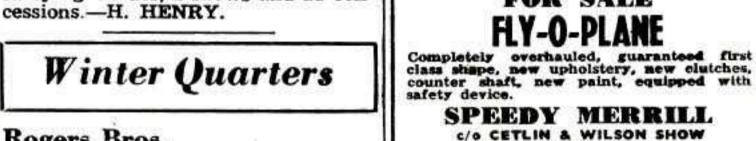
**R. N. SHIVERS** E. P. GLOSSER **General** Agent Business Mgr.



If you are not making money you are with the wrong show. There is plenty money in these hills.

WANT-Animal or Snake Show. Foreman for Merry-Go-Round, must be truck driver and have license. Can use second men that





can drive. Pay day every Monday night, rain or shine. Will book Mittcamp, no kids. Lenoir, N. C., this week; West Jefferson to follow.



Week May 16—Garwood, New Jersey

Can place Bingo. Can place Motordrome, Penny Arcade, Snake, Fat and Monkey Show. RIDE HELP-Foreman for Little Beauty 2-Abreast Merry-Go-Round. Freddy, get in touch with me. Salary is no object to good Man. Second Men on all Rides.

All address this week-Bergenfield, N. J. Home Address-103 S. 21th Street, Irvington, N. J.

## TILT AND MERRY-GO-ROUND FOREMEN

Join immediately. All summer on Beach. If you drink, chase or agitate, don't answer. If you can't take orders from woman boss, stay where you are, reason for this ad. Rides better than new. Operators must keep them this way. Want first class Bingo Caller for flashy Outfit. Live wire Agents for Cat Rack, Milk Bottles, Snow, Bumper, Cigarette Gallery, Penny Pitch, Pitch-Till-U-Win, etc. No time to lose. Wonderful opportunity plus lovely summer at resort.

**BOX 374, CARTWRIGHT, OKLAHOMA** 

## HARRY ROSS

### WANTS BOWLING ALLEY AGENTS

for Johnny Jones Show. Contact at once. Altoona, Pa., this week, Johnstown, Pa., next week.

## LA CROSS SHOWS WANT

Happy Linquist, of Newport, Vt., get in touch with La Cross immediately. Can use you and Girls for new Show. Will book one Major Ride for season. Will book Grinds and Hanky Panks not conflicting. All answer:

#### PAUL R. LA CROSS

c/o La Cross Shows, Brattleboro, Vt., now; May 16th to 21, White River Junction, Vt.

## **Rogers Bros.**

PELICAN RAPIDS, Minn., May 7. -All paint work has been completed and three rides are being operated here for 10 days. Paul Evans and family and Scotty Cole arrived recently. Mae Evans celebrated her birthday Monday (2).

Fat and Dorothy Schneckloth have sold their key shop in Hot Springs and are returning North and should arrive in quarters soon. Shorty Wier has come in to repair the cal- 2 performances daily. Children free. Contact liope, which he will play this season.-AILEEN EVANS.

c/o CETLIN & WILSON SHOW Harrisburg, Pa., this week.

SPEEDY MERRILL



**Rides and Concessions for** Rodeo, July 3 and 4 WAYNE WUESTENBERG Box 74, West Liberty, Iowa Phone 85



STRONG INDUSTRIAL AREA.

Want shows of all kinds.

Concessions, Novelties, Penny Arcade, Photos, Hanky Pankys, Rotos. Will buy or book Fun House.

We have ten rides, showmen to verify this ad. Come and see it. This week Williamsport, Pa.

MICKEY PERCELL



WANT AT ONCE

Custard, Ball Games, all Hanky Panks, Scales and Age Want Ten-In-One, Fun House, Wild Life Show, Monkey Shows. We furnish all new tops. Speedy Wilson, answer, good proposition for your Motordrome. Want Manager with 2 or more girls for Girl Show. Answer Runnemede, New Jersey.

#### **GOODWIN WANTS AGENTS** JUE

Agents for Slum Skillos, Roll Down, Razzle, Pin Store. Also can place Hanky Panks of all kinds. Can use Ride Help of all kinds.

HAVE FOR SALE

Wild Life Show, 20x40 Top (Blue), Front and 16 Cages of nice Animals, including broken Monkeys. \$600.00 complete, including Monkeys.

Contact: A. SPHEERIS or JOE GOODWIN, Magic Empire Shows DIXON, TENN., THIS WEEK! THEN TO THE SMOKE STACKS.

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## CARNIVALS

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## Cetlin & Wilson Flashes Power

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number of flashing lights in strings. Cetlin & Wilson said the cost of this one unit approximated \$15,000. Nine girls are in the show.

#### **Raynell Gal Show**

Raynell's Girl Show is of the high caliber long associated with her efforts and follows closely the format the production presented last year, with Billy (Zoot) Reed back in a featured spot. The Four Morrocans, three men and a girl, with a fast Detroit for several weeks. Here the acro-tumbling routine, have been Ward line-up embraced 9 major rides, added.

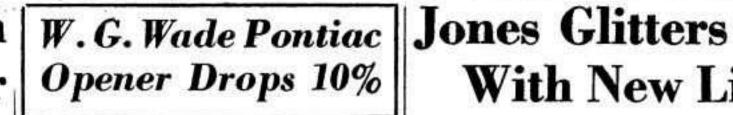
Altho midway patronage was light when caught Tuesday night (3), the Girl Show turned a full house in Jim Mulholland, is due to join on. three ballys, with many of the customers obviously walk-ups who remembered the show from last year. The hour-long show was offered at and it was shipped to Wade's smaller 65 cents, tax included.

Adding additional power to the back end is the minstrel unit, Club Zanzibar, produced by S. H. Dudley, who last season was introduced to alfresco trouping on the World of Mirth Shows. Dudley has at least 20 people, including the band and, according to Cetlin & Wilson, hopes to add Marvis Louis, ex-wife of the retired heavyweight champ. An incompleted front has a recessed balcony from which the band ballys.

#### New Illusion Show

The Great Lester & Company, illusionists, are housed in a new top behind a new and attractive panel front. Heavy illusions are featured. Earl Purtle's Motordrome, managed by Fearless Egbert, and Al and Jeanne Tomaine, with their Side Show, are back again. Art Noble has the Midget Show and Earl Ghambers the Monkey Show.

George Golden has the front end



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into Ann Arbor under the sponsorship of the East Ann Arbor Business Men's Association, and the following week it will go into Kalamazoo under the auspices of the American Legion.

#### **Rides in Early Action**

Some of the Wade equipment had been in action before the formal opening here, about six of the rides having played lots in the vicinity of 5 kiddie rides, 6 shows and 52 concessions.

A Monkeyland Show, operated by A Fly-o-Plane, owned by D. Wade and Bert Britt, did not work here as the lot was not sufficiently large, No. 2 unit, playing at St. Jean and Vernor Highway in Detroit.

#### Little Dipper Clicks

Major new attraction on the show this year is a Little Dipper, bought primarily with a view to the kid trade but which already has proved a good adult ride. Other attractions new to the Wade line-up this year include L. Burge's Dodgem, Marjorie Miller's Roll-a-Whirl, Jack Korie's Casbah and Zorita shows, W. O. King's derby race and Sanford Baker's Black-Out Taxi.

#### The personnel follows:

Staff: W. G. Wade, owner-manager: Douglas Wade, general agent: Walter (Wingy) Shafer, press agent: Mrs. Mildred Miller, secretary; Irene Crossland, assistant secretary; Hubert Adams, tillposter; George Falk, e'ectrician; E. R. Hoover, assistant electrician; David Gray, searchlights and towers; Sam Hanson, painter, and R. H. Crossland, superintendent of transportation.

Rides (show owned): Merry-Go-Round, Ken-neth Smith and Virgil Wood; Ferris Wheel, Frank Straud; Tilt-a-Whirl, William Miller and Fred Bousho, and Little Dipper, Russell Ancii iindependentiy owned). Scooter, Kiddi Auto and Kiddie Airplane, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Burgess; Rolloplane and Octopus, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thumberg: Miniature Railway, Irving Deggeller: boat ride, Mrs. Mildred Miller; Black-Out Taxi, Sanford Baker: Roll-a-Whirl, Mrs. Marjorie Miller; Fly-o-Plane, D. Wade and Bert Britt.

# With New Life

(Continued from page 68) was small, since most operators at this time are already set for the season. The assured Civil Service income enjoyed by a big percentage of the patrons at this spot is ample guarantee of a winning date if good weather prevails. By the same token the gross cannot be construed as indicative of the biz that might be corraled at future spots.

Another bid by the org to build its potential gate and gross and further its growth within the industry is the handling of its over-all publicity-promotion by Leonard Traube Associates. New York public relations firm. Jay Leipzig, Traube appointee, is handling the road chores and made his best hits with the comparatively new medium of television. Leipzig scored with several hits on DuMont's WTTG and WNBW, National Broadcasting Company (NBC) outlet.

The move here from DeLand, Fla., winter guarters was made in 34 hours, a record for the org, Ralph Lockett, general agent said.

Visitors here were numerous, including many members of the World of Mirth Shows who were en route from that org's winter quarters in Richmond, Va., to Wilmington, Del., their opening stand.





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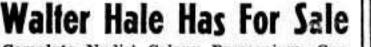
Side Show Managers: Have complete Side Show. 155 foot front, new top and 32 foot van to move same. Will turn over to capable and reliable Operator who has Acts and People to operate same. This Show has 14 Fairs in Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Tennessee, Missouri, Mississippi, Georgia and Florida. Close Nov. 21st, open in Florida in January with the best Fairs in the State. If you have inside equipment, including your own p.a. sets and are a Side Show manager, contact at once.

sparkling with all new canvas. Pylons containing indirect lighting will later be placed between the stands.

The front end is also made attractive by the new Dorso-Goodman cookhouse, which has been framed as a cafeteria. Al Dorso said the new arrangement is more appealing, sanitary, speedy and solves the waitress problem, since only bus boys or girls are needed.

Lack of help resulted in the light towers being left down here, the owners said. Most light units and fixtures are due for overhauling or replacement, they said. The org had only two Ferris Wheels up here in place of the usual four.

> WANTED SOBER WHIP FOREMAN Must report at once. MARKS SHOWS Eddystone, Penna., week of May 9th.



Complete Nudist Colony Proscenium, Cur-tain, Drapes, Stereoptican Machine. Cost over a "G." Slides, lecture, ready to run. First \$250.00 takes all.

WALTER HALE 390 Arcade Bldg. ST. LOUIS, MO.



Moravia, Iowa, Celebration on the Streets, May 9-14. Want Shows, Concessions and Agents, Girl Show, contact. Contact

> DOC WITTHAUS Moravia, Ia., May 9-14

## **ROEBLING HOLY NAME**

Want a large Carnival for Industrial Town of Roebling, N. J. Contact

PRESIDENT JOHN E. MAGYAR 119 5th Ave., Roebling, N. J., or Phone: Florence, N. J., 606.

#### FOR SALE

MERRY-GO-ROUNDS, electric, 1-16 horse with three-speed motor. 1-12 seat single speed. Suspended from arms. Including fence, novelty stand, amplifier, records. Good condition. Cost \$2,250.00 one year ago. Will sacrifice both for \$1,200.00 or reparately. MARTHA L. REYNOLDS

Route #5, Box 171-A Porterville, Calif.

Shows: World's Fair Freaks, Casbah and Zorita, and Spidora, Jack Korie; Parisian Follies and Girl Revue, Fred Miller; Penny Arcade, C. J. Aust: Fun on the Farm, W. G. Wade.

Concessionaires: Fred A. Miller, cookhouse; Harry Mamas, 7; Charles E. Ballow, photos; Fred Williams, 2; Pete Mudry, 3; Clarence Frazier, Duck pond; W. O. King, shooting gallery and electric race horses; Raymond Frazier, 3; George Foth, short-range gallery; Mike Ceffrey, jewelry store; James Craft, novelties: Bill and Carol Abraham, 3; Fenley (Deafy) Clark, 2; John Henn:ssry, 2; Dani l Jessop, popeorn and taffy; Louis Burr, cotton candy and candy apples; Clifford Steven-son, 2; V. E. Jameson, 2; Mrs. Marjorie Miller, 4; Ada McKeown, 3; Babe Pisara, 1; George Moyer. 1; I. Deggeller, 3, and Rosie Davis, palmistry.

Jack Korie's World's Fair Freaks line-up: Hap Bennett and Kenneth McKinney, talkers; Frank Williams and Charles Franks, ticket sellers: Tex Tanner, inside lecturer; and Frank Jones, secretary; Cletzel Reginer, sword swallower: Madame Estelle, mentalist; Jimmie Stewart, fire-eater: Johnny Broussard, head-'ess illusion; Coo Coo, bird girl; John Samson, torture; Mrs. Jim Stewart, electric chair; Chester Sams, alligator skin; Grace Williams double-bodied, and Cleo Renee, ann'x.

## Leon Freethy, 34, Dies **Of Accidental Asphyxiation**

EUGENE, Ore., May 7.- A coroner's jury brought in a verdict here, Tuesday (3), of accidental asphyxition in the death of Leon Freethy, 34, driver for Douglas Greater Shows.

Freethy's truck had broken down while shows were en route from Albany to Springfield. His body was discovered in the cab of the truck Monday (2), and it was concluded he had kept the engine running to keep warm.

### Wallace & Murray Pacts Covington, Tenn., Annual

COVINGTON, Tenn., May 7.-Al Wallace, owner-manager of Wallace & Murray Shows, signed contracts here recently to provide midway attractions for the Covington Fair Labor Day week.

The org has enjoyed good business to date whenever weather permitted. Three new show fronts, to be mounted on trucks, are being built.

## E. L. YOUNG, Mgr.-Royal Crown Shows

Covington, Ky. (across the river from Cincinnati), this week.

## WANT FOR GREENSBORO, N. C.

#### ONLY KIDDYLAND IN THE HEART OF TOWN

Eli Wheel, Chairplane and one Flat Ride, 25% to office. No junk. 150 thousand to draw from, walking distance to thousands. Positively on the busiest street and highway in the State. More than 2,000 cars by the lot hourly, on four city bus lines with stop in front of lot. I already have city permit, and remember you work seven days a week and no Carnivals are permitted in the city. You can't miss. Come look it over. Open June 1st through Labor Day. Free gate. Write or wire

## Astor's Kiddyland

**207 HENLEY STREET** 

GREENSBORO, N. C.

P.S.: Like to hear from Stilts Walker or Amateur Clown. Also small Acts for kids.

## **PEPPERS ALL STATES SHOWS** WANT

CONCESSIONS-Will sell X on Photo Gallery, Custard, Jewelry. Will book Hanky Panks, String Game, Ballcon Daits, Huckly Buck, Basket Ball, Cork Gallery, Short Range Gallery, Candy Apples, Slum Spindle, Jingle Board, Cigarette Pitch. Hanky Panks \$21.00. Opening flashy Swinger and Nail Game. AGENTS-Want Agents for office Stores. If you want long season's work we have Roll Down, Clothes Pins, Razzle Dazzle and Six Cats. Drunks and chasers, stay away. WE WORK EVERY WEEK. Went capable Agents for 24 foot Ball Game. SHOWS-Want Mechanical. Fat Show, Illusion, Snake Show, Minstrel and Side Show with transportation. 25 per cent to office. RIDES-Will book or lease Merry-Go-Round. All other 7 Rides are office owned. We have plenty Ride Help. WANTED-Young energetic Man to handle and promote Matinees, also to put Show on and off lot. Salary and good percentage from Matinees. Have Evans Big Six Wheel for sale. Can be booked on Show. ALL JOIN ON WIRE. FRANK W. PEPPERS, Owner: BOB SICKELS, Mgr.

TAZEWELL, VIRGINIA, This Week.

## WANTED-RIDES, SHOWS AND CONCESSIONS

Playing day and date with Ringling Bros.-Barnum & Bailey Circus, May 22nd to May 28th at Philadelphia, Pa. Will book Grind Shows, Merry-Go-Round, Ferris Wheel, Kiddie Rides, Eats and Drinks, Candy Apples, Cotton Candy, Custard, Popcorn, Scales and Age and a few legitimate Grind Concessions. Write or wire:

#### Max Gruberg, P. O. Box 101, Philadelphia 5, Pa.



#### CARNIVALS 78

## New London Nixes Summer Dates; Waterford Open

NEW LONDON, Conn., May 7 .--The city council has voted to permit no carnivals here from Decoration Day thru Labor Day, to waive no license fees and to require strict enforcement of all laws pertaining Dear Editor: to these shows.

In the past it has been customary for the council to waive the \$100 a sponsored by local groups.

with ample show lot facilities.

## BALLYHOO BROS.' CIRCULATING EXPO

**A Century of Profit Show** - By Ctarr De Belle -

Prattset, Mo. May 7, 1949.

When Catrack Josie turned her ball game hood around to face the midway, we knew she had closed day carnival license fee for shows her light housekeeping quartersthe green light for the opening. Adjacent Waterford, which has There are so many ways to open a always harbored more carnivals than midway for the season that mana-New London proper, remains open gers hardly know which one to choose. It's like picking a slogan to

## FIDLER'S UNITED SHOWS

WANT AT ONCE-MANAGERS FOR GIRL, POSING, ATHLETIC, SNAKE,

#### MONKEY CIRCUS AND SIDE SHOW

We have first-class outfits for the above Shows and will turn over to capable parties. GIRL SHOW OPERATOR, must have own wardrobe and P.A. system. SIDE SHOW MANAGER: We offer you an attractive proposition if you can frame inside. ATHLETIC: You can make real money with us. We have fronts and tops for other Shows, What have you for them? WILL BOOK all type Shows not conflicting with own out its and transportation on low percentage. CONCESSIONS: Legitimate Stock Concessions of all kinds, come on. We will place you. RIDE HELP: We have 15 major Rides, can always place Foremen and Second Men who drive semis. Join immediately Address:

BURLINGTON, IA., THIS WEEK; DIXON, ILL., NEXT WEEK.

## GARDEN STATE SHOWS

Want for V.F.W. Spring Carnival, Slatington, Pa., May 16-21; with the Annual Lower Providence Firemen's Fair, and the 52nd Anniversary 4 County Convention and Parade, Wilson Boro, Easton, Pa., following. Those joining now given the preference for these two big dates. Can place Custard, Basketball, Coke Bottle Hanky Panks, Striker, Rotaries, Long Range, Photos, Novelties, etc. Want Grind Shows, Iron Lung, Unborn and Wildlife. Will place Octopus and Comet. Naylor Harrison Jr. wants Agent, Jimmie Tiernen wants Agents for ex on Count Store, Wheel, Pan Game and Hanky Panks. Joe Sherman, contact. June Wren, contact Nancy. Our Celebrations start next week. All address

R. H. MINER, Alpha, N. J., this week.

## Want\_ART WHITE SHOWS—Want

CONCESSIONS—High Striker. Novelties, Milk Bottles, Water Games, Age and Weight, String Game. Huckly Buck, Glass Pitch, Clothes Pin Pitch, Over Twelve. SHOWS—One more Grind Show with own outfit, liberal P.C. RIDE HELP—Foreman and General Help who drive semis and are sober. General Agent, Doc Hamilton, Earl Miller, Billie Burton, contact at once. Cecil C. Rice wants man to up and down Concessions: must be sober and fully capable; also Man for large California type Hit and Miss Ball Game. Agents for Add 'Em Up Darts. We will play Aliquippa, Penn. (Hopewell Township), week May 9 to 14th inclusive.

#### ART WHITE SHOWS

P.S.: Yes, in the heart of the steel industries of the world in Beaver Valley in the Pittsburgh district. CAPABLE OPERATOR WANTED FOR MITT CAMP Also experienced Readers (Pauline Meyers, contact). Contact O. J. "Whitey" Weiss, Con. Mgr. Also want Octopus Foreman. CAVALCADE OF AMUSEMENTS SHEFFIELD, ALA .. This Week: EVANSVILLE, IND., Following. FOR **HI-BALL RIDE** FOR SALE SALE

put beneath a show's title-you learn that somebody has already used it. Manager Pete Ballyhoo had his choice of either inaugurating the season, raising the curtain for the show's current tour or falling back on the old reliable line of making a grand opening. In '48 the show made a grand opening to learn that there wasn't a grand on the lot. In '47 the boss decided to raise the curtain A bingo layout, cookhouse, custard for the current tour, but a mayor stand and games rounded out the lowered the curtain by sloughing the blowoffs. So, this year Manager Pete decided to inaugurate the season. It sounded as tho the midway was elected to spring-installed as the people's choice. The line holds a 'lot of merit in print.

The Ballyhoo brothers have made initial bows, premiere showings, debuts, off to good starts, have been hampered, marred and nipped in the bud. The year the show made its initial bow it was closed with a nod.

Some showmen aren't as interested in how they will open as they are about who is going to cut the front gate ribbon. During the wartime shortage, the boss stalled his opening for three days until a ribbon was found. Our stripper copped it for her G-string, which held up the show. On the fourth day the mayor said he'd cut anything to get the show out of town. While news photogs stood by, we let him cut the marquee's main guyline and used the evidence to get the license cut.

One year we announced that the show got off to a good start, but the butcher, the grocer and the hotel proprietor swung onto the last coach. The bosses had them arrested for hoboing to null and void their accounts.

The Longhaul Bros. Shows always open in the East and close in the West, but never opened in the West and closed in the East. They call their opening and closing rising and setting. They routed by compass to travel a direct line. The brothers claimed it was cheaper to return East by bus and build a new midway than it was to railroad it back. We've trouped with shows that closed broke and wintered broke. but advertised, "We'll finance men with new ideas." They thumbed their shows in and beguiled them out. It's called "closing without flash and flaring 'em out." You can furbish, polish, renovate, rejuvenate. burnish and embellish an opening story with adjectives and detail. However, it isn't the inauguration of a new season, the grand opening, the bow or the raising of the curtain for the current season that counts-it's the closing copy that tells the story. To a showman it's merely "sprung" and sloughed."

## May 14, 1949

## Weather Produces Spotty Biz for Heller's, at Lodi

HAVERSTRAW, N. Y., May 7 .--Heller's Acme Shows played here this week after a spotty stand near Lodi, N. J. While the lot was good at Lodi, the weather was bad and show had only a few good nights' play. Closing night, Saturday (30), was mild and brought a good turnout and brisk biz.

On the lot were an Octopus, Spitfire, Ferris Wheel, Merry-Go-Round, Chairplane and three kiddie rides. The only show was a museum-zoo. set-up. The show carries a free act.

## **Playland Stages Benefit**

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich., May 7. -First of a series of bingo benefits for the Michigan Showmen's Association was staged Thursday (5) on the Playland Shows' lot here. Mrs. Bessie Gallagher, president of the Ladies' Auxiliary and co-owner of the shows, was in charge. Show people from near-by parks and shows were invited. The event is to be a weekly affair, according to Jack Gallagher, show owner and association president.



The Billboard

Used one season, Ride in extra good condition. Mounted on special built \$3,000.00 trailer. Can be used on truck or railroad show. Ride will pay for itself in one season and new owner a nice profit. Reason for selling, other business. Can be seen in operation on Hennies Bros. Shows, and Show will book Ride if desired. Address:

CHARLES T. GOSS, c/o Hennies Bros.' Shows, Decatur, III.

## PIKE AMUSEMENT SHOWS

Want for Northwest Oklahoma Industrial Exposition, Enid, Okla., May 16 to 21st, Concessions, Shows and Rides that do not conflict. Especially want Kid Rides. Jack Holsten wants Count Store Agents. Eddie Haun wants Agents. Purcell, Okla., this week: then Enid, Okla., and good route to follow.

#### FLOYD O. KILE SHOWS WANT

To join at once small Cookhouse, must be clean and cater to show people. Good support. Privilege \$35.00. Diggers open. Hoop-La, Darts. Photos, Long Range, Pitch Till You Win, Bumper, or what have you? One of a kind only. Agents for office, 50-50 over stock. Real Foreman for Merry-Go-Round, top salary if you can cut it. Must handle men, positively no drinkers. We carry four Rides, twenty Concessions, free gate and no grift. All answers: FLOYD O. KILE Jackson, La., till May 14.

## DROME RIDERS WANTED

OPENING MAY 20TH. NEW LONG BEACH "Pike" Amusement Zone—Year Round Work—Good Salary—Tips. WRITE-WIRE

#### . RED CRAWFORD

C/O JOE GLACY, BLACKSTONE HOTEL

#### LONG BEACH, CALIF.

#### **CUSTOM BUILT SCHULT POPCORN TRAILER** FOR FOR SALE SALE

Enclosed with glass. Living quarters in rear. Completely overhauled last season. Equipped for Candy Apples, Carmel Corn, Peanuts and Popcorn. Buyer can have "X" on 15-Ride Show, with one State Fair and best route of Still Spots and County Fairs. Reasonable privilege. PRICE \$2,300.00. Address:

#### HARRY WEST, care SUNSET AMUSEMENT CO. Hannibal, Mo., May 10-15; then Atchison, Kensas.

### Wallace Bros. Personnel **Attend Fred Hanley Rites**

CHATHAM, Ont., May 7.-About 100 members of Wallace Bros.' Shows of Canada returned to Windsor, Ont., Tuesday (3) to attend funeral services for Fred Hanley, manager of the Side Show and other Johnny Branson enterprises on the shows. As many cars as could be requisitioned were pressed into service to make the 50-mile trek.

Hanley died suddenly on the lot at Windsor Sunday night of a heart attack just before the shows closed to move in here. (See details in the Final Curtain.) Huge floral tributes. including five from concessioners, five from showmen, three from ride men and two from the management. were sent.

Shows opened their second stand of the season here Monday (2) after a fair opening week at Windsor, Ont., where adverse weather held down patronage. A heavy downpour Sunday night (1) made the lot damp but opening night proved good, Manager J. P. (Jimmy) Sullivan said.

CARNIVAL WANTED and Concessions for Sunday, Sept. 4th, Labor Day, Sept. 5th. K. H. GASTON Florence, Kansas SIGRID SORENSON WANT Musical Acts and Side Show Acts. Dancers

for Girl Show. Girls for Posing Shows, no experience necessary. Talkers and Ticket Sellers for Side Show and Cirl Shows. Answer: SIGRID SORENSON

Salem, Ohio

c/o Happy Holiday Shows





Carnival and Concessions for three-day July 4th American Legion Celebration. Individual Rides welcomed Contact D. O. OMHOLT

American Legion Post 14, Iola, Wisconsin



PC and Slum Store Agents. Good route. No drunks or drifters.

RAY CLAYTON c/o Sunset Amusement Co., Hannibal, Missouri.

#### WANTED

Stock Concessions for Roodhouse, III. V.F.W. Spring Festival on the streets. Can book Roll-o-Whirl or will buy one. Can use Ride Help for Tilt, Merry-Go-Round and Wheel.

BURKHART'S SHOWS

ROODHOUSE, ILL.



## The Billboard

## CARNIVALS 79

## **CLUB ACTIVITIES**

#### Showman's League of Texas Houston, Tex.

HOUSTON, May 7.—New member is Johnnie Crain, mayor of Madisonville, Tex., and owner of the Long Theater there. Crain is a former magician.

Mysterious Howard finished redecorating his Funhouse. Bozo St. Clair is in his 30th week at the Ringside. Drane Walters plans to head north after his daughter's wedding. Jack Kenny, Hollywood songwriter, visited.

Frank Dubick will make his home in Houston after finishing an engagement at the Veterans' Hospital, Batavia, N. Y.

Larry Dean reports good business at his wax joint on Capitol Avenue.



Merry-Go-Round, Rolloplane and Octopus, all legitimate Concessions. Address all mail:

> J. G. STEBLAR Glade Springs, Va.

Pacific Coast Showmen's Association 1235 S. Hope St., Los Angeles 16

#### Ladies' Auxiliary

President Mary Taylor presided over the April 25 meeting. Opal Manley, Edith Hargrave and Peggy Forstall also were on the rostrum. Mrs. Hazel Mack attended her first meeting as a member.

Marie Tait, Elsie Suker, Jetta Clancy, Estelle Hanscom and Alerita Foster are on the sick list. Word was received that Madge Buckley's mother died.

Norma Burke won a teakettle donated by Margaret Farmer and gave it to the club to be raffled at a later date. Sally Flint supplied cards to be sent members who are ill. Door prizes, donated by Gertrude Mathews and Ann Waterman, were won by Mora Bagby and Minnie Fisher.

Bank award was won by Stella Linton. Dorothy Enfield and Rose Rosard made bazaar donations. Handkerchiefs, donated by Madge Buckley, were crocheted by Sally Flint.

Rose Ferris, Mora Bagby, Jessie Loomis, Charlotte Cohen, Hazel Mack, Vivian Jacobi, Ann Waterman, Eva (Doodles) De Mars, Alice Jones and Lilliabelle Williams gave short talks.

Mary Taylor, Charlotte Cohen, Sally Flint, Norma Burke and Rose Rosard will sponsor a party in the clubrooms May 25 for the bazaar.

Following the meeting Estelle Wampler and her committee served lunch.

American Carnivals

Association, Inc.

## PONTIAC GROTTO SUMMER FESTIVAL

Pontiac, Mich. — 10 Days and Nights — 10 Friday, May 27, to Sunday, June 5 Baldwin Avenue Showgrounds

Want Legitimate Concessions of all kinds: Penny Arcade, Monkey Show, Craxy House, Snake Show, 5-in-1 or 10-in-1 and other Shows of merit.

HARRY MOORE and TRACY, come on.

Write-Wire-Phone

C. D. MURRAY, Mgr.

W. G. Wade Shows, Unit No. 2, 9600 Broadstreet Blvd., Detroit, Mich. Phone, TExas 4-6413

Holt Homecoming—Romulus Chamber of Commerce

Fiesta—Fish Festival on Streets, Coldwater

Grotto Festival, Pontiac

St. Clair 4th July Celebration—All directly follow



## WANT FOR HILLSBORO, OHIO, 40-and 8 Societe and American Legion Celebration, week May 16-21

Followed by six choice Still Dates in Ohio and Michigan, then the best Fourth of July in Kentucky (Stearns).

CONCESSIONS of all kinds. Good opening for Custard, Candy Floss, Penny Pitch, Short Range Gallery, Ball Games, Six Cat, Age, Scales, Fish Pond, Bumper, Balloon Darts or any Hanky Pank. No P.C. or Grift. John Reed wants two Count Store Men who can take orders. SHOWS—Monkey, Fun House, Mechanical Show or any Grind Show with own equipment. Good proposition. Want Talker for Motordrome, also one Male Rider. RIDES—Kiddie Auto or Train. No Major Rides as show carries six office owned. All replies to

> J. L. KEEF Cynthiana, Ky., this week; then Hillsboro, Ohio.

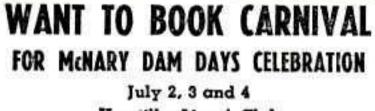


WANT



In all departments. Jim Powers, manager, wants Half and Half, feature Freak and General Working Acts. Jim and Pauline Tripture, have good proposition for you; come on. Sam Marlowe, contact me. Need good Front Man.

GREAT SUTTON SHOWS



Umatilla Lions' Club c/o R. M. MOODY, Umatilla, Oregon

AGENTS WANTED

For Coke and Ball Game, also others. Also want Wheel Foreman and Second Men on Rides.

E. L. WINROD Care Imperial Shows URBANA, I ROCHESTER, N.-Y., May 7.-Membership campaign starts this week,

with plans set to contact every known non-member show. Personnel membership listing sheets

will be sent to each member show before the end of May.

Latest information from Washington indicates that some excise taxes, including those on admissions, may be reduced. Heavy pressure is being exerted, particularly by the amusement and transportation fields.

TED o others. Also d Men on Rides. OD URBANA, ILL. The organized musicians recently joined in urging the repeal of amusement taxes to help combat unemployment current among them. While indications are that some cuts in excise taxes will be made, it is common belief that a considerable period will elapse before any such reductions are put into effect. For best equipped Motordrome on the road, capable Manager with Riders to take complete charge. Now playing wonderful drome territory. Address

## **JOHNNY T. TINSLEY SHOWS**

Humphries Street, at GE Plant, Atlanta Georgia

## AMERICAN MIDWAY SHOWS

SHOWS—Can place Monkey, Wild Life, Mechanical, Fun House or any Show that can produce. Have complete frame-up for Girl Show. CONCESSIONS—Will book any Merchandise Concession. Have office-owned Bingo or will book Bingo on percentage. Have 16 Fairs, starting with Creston, Iowa, July 4 Celebration. Closing Valley Midwinter Pair, Harlingen, Tex., Nov. 28. Want Man with crew to take Pin Store. Sam Epple wants General Help for Ham Wheel and Outside Man. (Raney Lodey, wire.) All answers:

Sequin, this week; Hillsboro, Waco, and Soldiers' pay day at Killeen follows; all Texas.

## **ROGERS GREATER SHOWS WANT**

Sideshow complete for 24x100 beautiful top and bally and proscenium and bally cloth. Everything complete with brand new Royal Blue Top and Banner Line. Want Ride Help and Truck Drivers for all kinds of Rides; good salary. Elmer Reed wants Agents for Airplane, Hanky Pank.

Princeton, Ind., May 9-14; Bicknell, 16-21

## CAN PLACE

Custard or Wonder Bar, Jewelry Outfit, Fish Pond, Snow Cone, French Fries, Novelties, Center Hoop-La or any legitimate Concession. Also can place A-1 Wheel Foreman; Arky Johnson, Silva Lambert, answer. Also need first-class Truck Mechanic, also need first-class Flying Scooter, Octopus Foreman. Can always place good Ride Men. Have complete outfit for Girl Show, Snake Show and Mickey Mouse Circus, need Manager to handle same. Contact

F. M. SUTTON JR., GREAT SUTTON SHOWS

## **GRACELAND GREATER SHOWS**

Want for Sullivan, Ill., May 16-21

Will Sell "X" on Photo Gallery, Penny Arcade, String Game, Coke Bottle, Milk Bottle or any stock Concessions. SHOWS: Wild Life, Fat Show, Minstrel, Girl Show or any show not conflicting with what we have. RIDE HELP: Want first and second men on Merry-Go-Round, Ferris Wheel and Chairoplane. Top wages and good treatment. All replies to HARRY ALKON, Charleston, III., this week

## THOMAS JOYLAND SHOWS

WANT Man and Wife for Milk Bottles, also Hanky Pank Agent. Can place Arcade, Hawaiian Revue. Help on all Rides.

MOTORDROME RIDER WANTED

MAN OR LADY - TRICK OR STRAIGHT.

All others wire:

L. I. THOMAS, Mgr., Oak Hill, W. Va.



### WANT HIGH ACT

OSWEGO, N. Y., MAY 16-21; 4 WEEKS IN BUFFALO TO FOLLOW. Rides—Tilt, Rolloplane, one more Kid Ride. Shows—Motor Drome, Working World. Concessions—Scales, Age, Easket Ball, Balloon and Add 'Em Up Darts, Pitch Till You Win, Six Cats, Blower, Slum Stores open. Ride Help on all Rides, drivers wanted; join on wire this week. GENEVA, N. Y., THIS WEEK.

## WANT TILT-A-WHIRL FOREMAN

Must be capable to keep new Ride in perfect condition. Rides on railroad show, loads on wagons, no truck driving. Top salary to capable man. Drunks and so-called ride superintendents, please don't waste our time. No collect wires or phone calls. Address:

WM. PINK, James Robertson Hotel, Nashville, Tenn.



## 80 CARNIVALS

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MOTORDROME OPERATOR Coming Billboard Billboard **Dog Shows** TRADE TRADE Events WANTS SERVICE FEATURE PEATURE MANAGER-RIDER Operate Motordrome in top territory. Good CALIFORNIA ARKANSAS Celebrations and seven Fairs. Equipment Riverside-May 29. Jack Bradshaw, 1412 W. Fort Smith-Ark.-Okla. Rodeo. May 28-June 1. complete and in good condition; four motor-12th St., Los Angeles. Santa Cruz-May 8. Mrs. A. J. DiVita. Santa Monica-May 14-15. David H. Upright, A. D. Murphy. cycles. Show Somerset, Pa., this week. CALIFORNIA Write or Wire Hayward-Hayward Rowell Ranch Rodeo. May 8285 Sunset Blvd., Hollywood. Ventura-May 22. Mrs. Grayce Greenburg, M. A. BEAM 21-22. Cecil Jones. San Diego-Home Show. May 15-22. Terry Camarillo, Calif. Windber, Pa. Dusen, Spreckels Bldg. CONNECTICUT P.S.: Speedy Wood and Ted Roderers, Willimantic-May 15. Foley, 2009 Ranstead St., Philadelphia. GEORGIA contact me. Atlanta-Southeast Automotive Show. May 10-14. Foster B. Steward, 1492 Peachtree St., IDAHO N. W. Boise-May 29. Donald L. Chapman. Nampa-May 28. Dorothy Morgan, Route 2, ILLINOIS SMITH AMUSEMENT CO. Chicago-Chicagoland Home Show. May 14-22. Paul S. Van Auken, 111 W. Jackson Blvd. Boise, Idaho. ILLINOIS Peoria-May 15. Geralding King. WANTS INDIANA Gary-Exhibit & Sport Show. May 26-30. George Webb, 2008 W. 12th St. SHAMROCK, TEXAS, MAY 8-15. INDIANA Harvest Celebration on the Streets, under Lions' Club at McLean, Tex., May 16-23. Anderson-May 22. Mrs. K. T. Bevelhimer. Huntingburg-Am. Legion Celebration. May 23-Evansville-May 15. Mrs. John T. Slade, 915 **CONCESSIONS**—Long or Short Range Gallery, Photos, Bumper, Bingo, Cookhouse. Sell "EX" on Palmistry, Bucket Store, Scales. AGENTS—Man to take Pin Store, Roll Down, Lombard Ave. Indianapolis-500-Mile Auto Race. May 30. Fort Wayne-May 29. Mrs. Louis Russell. Wilbur Shaw, 729 N. Capitol Ave. Portland-May 30. Paul A. Ferguson, Penn-Ball Game. RIDES-Rolloplane, Kid Rides, Octopus, Fly-o-Plane. SHOWS-Fun House, KANSAS ville, Ind. Olathe-Olathe Rodeo. May 27-30. Betty Gras, IOWA Animal, Penny Arcade. Chamber of Commerce. Will trade factory Mix-Up for factory Kid Auto Ride. (Opan McGuire, contact Eddy Yogla.) Address: Waterloo-May 29. Mrs. Russell S. Peterson, MICHIGAN Box 2035. Holland-Tulip Time in Holland. May 18-21. LOUISIANA ROLAND SMITH, MGR. Shamrock, Tex., this week Willard C. Wichers, City Hall. Baton Rouge-May 15. Mrs. John V. Schmitt. MISSOURI MASSACHUSETTS Kansas City—American Royal Rodeo. May 14-21. A. M. Patterson. West Springfield-May 14. Foley, 2009 Ranstead St., Philadelphia, C. A. STEPHENS SHOWS NEBRASKA NEW JERSEY Omaha-Shrine Circus. May 9-14. Rink Wright, Madison-May 28. Foley, 2009 Ranstead St., Stanton, Neb. WANT Philadelphia.-Mount Holly-May 30. Foley, 2009 Ranstead St., Philadelphia. NEVADA Man with people to take over well-framed Las Vegas-Helldorado & Rodeo. May 12-15. O. K. Adcock, E. J. Gilbreath. Plainfield-May 29. Foley, 2009 Ranstead St., 5-in-1. Manager with girls for Girl Show. Philadelphia. Loey Pease, if at liberty answer. NEW JERSEY NEW YORK Camden-Home Show, May 23-28. Harry C. Dante, Va., this week; Clintwood next. Garden City, L. I.-May 20-21. Mrs. David Greene, R. F. D. 1, Stamford, Conn. Westbury, L. I.-May 22. Foley, 2009 Ranstead Grafton, 706 Federal St. NEW YORK St., Philadelphia. Syracuse-Third Ward Men's Club of Salina Field Day. May 19-31. Robt. Williams. OHIO OHIO VALLEY SHOWS Syracuse-Auto Show. May 9-14. Stuart C. Greenville-May 15. Mrs. Virginia Kecler. Ballard, Hotel Syracuse. PENNSYLVANIA WANT ошо Ephrata-May 15. Foley, 2009 Ranstead St., Philadelphia. Basket Ball, Ball Games, Stock Concessions and Bingo, also any Rides not conflicting. Earl Kelley wants Agents. Wire Cincinnati-Home Show in Music Hall. May 14-Media-May 14. Foley, 2009 Ranstead St., 22. Philadelphia. OKLAHOMA Pittsburgh-May 21. Foley, 2009 Ranstead St., Philadelphia. ROXIE HARRIS Enid-Tri-State Band Festival. May 12-14. Milburn E. Carey. Gen. Del., Marion, Ohio, this week. WEST VIRGINIA Tulsa-Tulsa Stampede. May 17-22. O. W. Wheeling-May 22. Mrs. John H. Musgat. Mayo. Shadyside, O.

## "Buy U. S. Savings Bonds during the Opportunity Drive,"

say these leading Americans

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 WILLIAM GREEN, President, American Federation of Labor

"For the working man, an increased investment in U.S. Savings Bonds can mean not only increased security but increased ability to take advantage of the opportunities that are part of the American way of life."

#### WINTHROP W. ALDRICH, Chairman, Chase National Bank

"I believe that every individual who can possibly do so should buy more U. S. Savings Bonds. These bonds represent one of the best investments of our time."

#### PHILIP MURRAY, President, Congress of Industrial Organizations

"The C.I.O. has endorsed every effort to encourage the worker to put more of his earnings into U. S. Savings Bonds. They represent both security and independence."

May 14, 1949

## WANTED

Good Carnival for July 4th Big Celebration and Homecoming. Can remain rest of week if desired. Chamber of Commerce backing.

> JACK MOODY Cameron, Mo.

#### WANT TO CONTACT

Two or three more major Rides for long season, including Ferris Wheel. Have new Top and Ring complete for Athletic Show, want capable Manager. One more Grind Show, Snake, Animal. What have you? Few Stock Concessions open. Agents and Help all departments. No racket. Free gate.

DICKSON UNITED SHOWS

## **DINNER MAN AND FRY COOK**

WANTED

Perry Willson, come on. W. H. BRUNK

20th Century Shows, Manhattan, Kansas.

Collegeville—Firemen's Fair. May 25-June 4. Ray Ramsey, R. D. 1, Norristown, Pa.
Devon—Horse Show & Country Fair. May 24-30. Ward Sullivan, 1218 Arch St., Philadelphia.

PENNSYLVANIA

TENNESSEE

Memphis-Memphis Cotton Carnival. May 8-15. Milton Schmith.

TEXAS

Plainview-Plainview Rodeo. May 26-28. UTAH

Richmond-Black & White Days. May 26-28. Milton Webb. Spanish Fork-State Livestock Show. May 10-

14. Merrill J. Hallam.

VIRGINIA Richmond—State Industrial Expo. May 9-21. Vernon Kemp, Chamber of Commerce,

WASHINGTON Waitsburg-Days of Real Sport. May 28-30. Herman Gohlman.

CANADA Saskatoon, Sask.—Fat Stock Show. May 27-28. S. N. MacEachern. Vancouver, B. C.—International Rodeo. May

24-28. Frank Guerney. Vinnipeg. Man.-Shrine Circus. May 7-14

Winnipeg, Man.-Shrine Circus. May 7-14. Frank E. Simmons, 469 Henderson Highway.

## **RAFTERY'S SHOWS**

## CHERRY POINT, MARINE BASE, HAVELOCK, N. C., MAY 16-21-BIG PAY DAY FIRST SHOW IN FIVE YEARS. Clinton, N. C., May 23-28

WANT—Custard, Candy Floss, Age and Scales, any legitimate Concessions.

WANT-Two girls to feature for Girl Show; salary no object if you have appearance and can dance. Also talker who can stand prosperity.

WANT-Ride help for Octopus, Chairplane and Wheel; truck and semi drivers.

Chile Small wants Bingo and P. C. Dealers. Tom Hale wants P. C. Dealers.

Johnny Reddick wants Musicians and Minstrel Show people; salary from office. Address

J. M. RAFTERY Morehead City, N. C., this week

RIDE HELP WANTED

Want Foremen for Octopus and Jenny. Want Free Act. Wire your lowest for season's work. All Wires to

HARRY J. KAHN CARNIVAL Union City, Conn., this week; Jewett City, Conn., May 16-21.

## CARNIVAL ROUTES

(Continued from page 58) Strates, James E .: North Adams, Mass.; Chicopee 16-21. Stumbo, Fred R.: Bentonville, Ark. Sunset Am. Co.: Hannibal, Mo.; Atchison, Kan., 16-21. Sweeney's United: Bellaire, O. Tassell, Barney: West Point, Va. Tatham Bros.: Bement, Ill. Tidwell, T. J.: Tucumcari, N. M. Tinsley, Johnny T.: Atlanta, Ga. Tivoli Expo.: Havana, Ill. 20th Century: Manhattan, Kan. Twin City: Seneca, Kan. Twin City: Seneca, Kan. Twin City: Scheca, Kan. Twin State: Gibsonville, N. C. Turner Bros.: Danville, Ill. United Liberty: Pekin, Ill.; Ottawa 16-21. United Expo.: Lubbock, Tex. United States: Welch, W. Va. Utah Expo.: Spanish Fork, Utah. Vaterans United: Heron Lake Minn Veterans United: Heron Lake, Minn. Victory Expo.: Sayre, Okla. Virginia Greater: Runnemede, N. J.; Hammonton 16-21. Vivona Bros.: Bergenfield, N. J.; Garwood 16-21. Vogt's Southern: Robert Lee, Tex. Wade, W. G.: Ann Arbor, Mich. Wallace Bros.: Memphis, Tenn. Wallace Bros. of Canada: Hamilton, Ont., Can. Wallace, I. K .: Lynchburg, Va. Wallace & Murray: Oceana, W. Va. Weaver, L. O.: Newton, Ia., 12-21. W. E. Attrs.: Russell, Ark. West Coast: San Jose, Calif., 10-15. Whalen & Riley: Barnsdal, Okla. White, Art: Aliquippa, Pa. White's Rides: Decatur, Tenn.; Dayton 16-21. Willis & Myers: (Foundry lot) Macon, Ga. Wilson Famous: Bloomington, Ill. Wilson Greater: Winslow, Ariz. Wolf Greater: Dubuque, Ia.; Winona, Minn., 16-21. World of Mirth: Wilmington, Del. World of Pleasure: Battle Creek, Mich.; Lansing 16-21. World of Today: Salina, Kan. Young's Am. Co.: Keithsburg, Ill.; Cordova 18-21.

## INLAND SHOWS

Will book High Striker, Mitt Camp, Popcorn, Cane Rack, Candy Floss. Want Agents for Stock Concessions. Want Girl Show Operator with talent, we have tent. Also Fight Show with own equipment. If you have a major Ride you want to book or lease contact N. E. DAVIS

FOR SALE-Mechanical Pony Ride, \$500.00; with 10 Ponies. Address:

Mountain Home, Ark., this week; Ava, Mo., next week; then Mountain Grove, Mo.



#### CHARLES F. BRANNAN Secretary of Agriculture

"I am heartily in favor of the Opportunity Drive to buy more U. S. Savings Bonds. Everyone engaged in farming should recognize the importance of **a** backlog of invested savings as a means of realizing the agricultural opportunities of the future."

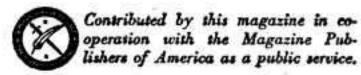
DURING MAY AND JUNE, the U.S. Savings Bond Opportunity Drive is on!

It is called the Opportunity Drive —because it is truly an opportunity for you to get ahead by increasing your own personal measure of financial security and independence.

If you haven't been buying Savings Bonds regularly, start now.

If you have been buying them, add an *extra* Bond or two to your purchases this month and next. Rememberyou'll get back \$4 for, every \$3 in a short ten years' time!

Put More Opportunity in Your Future ... Invest in U.S. SAVINGS BONDS





The Billboard

#### CARNIVALS 81

## Swim Campaigns Are Helpful, Says NAAPPB Paul Huedepohl

#### (Continued from page 57)

cially those selling swimming apparel to tie in with a Learn-To-Swim promotion as it will increase traffic into their store. Contact these merchants and explain the merits of your promotion. Suggest that they open a registration booth in their swim-suit department and arrange for suitable window displays and have the newspaper report it as headquarters for registration, etc. This type of co-operative tie-in should be made well in advance of the opening publicity campaign.

Each day for one week prior to the opening of the campaign the newspaper publishes a coupon adjacent to the story. This coupon provides for the applicant's name, address, age and information for the applicant where the registration headquarters are located and registration hours.

#### **Remember the Coupon**

Temporary headquarters are established in the business office of the newspaper or department store. Stress the necessity of the applicant bringing in the coupon and registering in person. A registration card is issued in exchange for the coupon.

The coupons are then segregated to a schedule suggested in the following pages. The schedule of classes is printed during the week, and applicants appear at the pool at the hours specified on their registration card.

As a result of its work, the newspaper will obtain an unusual amount of good will. This is due to the fact



that the campaign will be promoted by the paper purely for the benefit of the community. At no time will the paper have an opportunity to profit directly from the work. This attitude is fully appreciated by the public, and as a result the newspaper will gain support for other projects more closely allied with direct profit.

The swimming pool will obtain an unusually large volume of business for the week and in addition will build an entirely new class of patrons, many of whom will return frequently in order to perfect their swimming.

Instructor Will Benefit.

The instructor at the pool will find that many of this group will request private lessons from him and his volume of business will increase because of this added interest.

Assure the success of your campaign by promoting it in every way possible. To promote enthusiasm enlist the support of prominent people-the mayor, chief of police, Red Cross, and Parent-Teacher Association executives and other wellknown citizens. Feature them in newspaper stories, enlivened with pictures. Get quotations from them on the importance of learning how to swim. Perhaps your city has had a recent queen of a festival of sports event, or a beauty contest winner. If so arrange for a picture of her registering for one of the classesor just a story if you can't get a picture.

Send letters to leaders of such organizations as Sea Scouts, Boy and Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, DeMolays and Girl Reserves, suggesting they urge every boy and girl in their groups to attend the swimming classes. Write also to heads of public and parochial schools. Talk to personnel directors of your local stores and try to get announcements in store bulletins or at meetings.

## LONE STAR SHOWS

### PLAYING ALL INDUSTRIAL CITIES

Featuring FEARLESS GREGG CANNON ACT ON MIDWAY EACH NIGHT

Can place Hanky Pank Concessions of all kinds. Want Long Range, Custard, Want A-1 sober Agents for Pin Store, Buckets, etc., Waiters and Help for Cookhouse, capable Ride Help, semi drivers preferred. Don Digiovanna wants girls for his two Girl Shows; Billie and Toni-Lou, wire.

Can place Funhouse Arcade, Shows not conflicting with own equipment and transportation.

Want Rolloplane, Spit Fire, Dark Ride.

All fairs starting last week in June closing in Florida December 1,

Wire

## MANAGER LONE STAR SHOWS

Hamilton, Ohio, this week; Lima, Ohio, next.



## WANT

For Pottsville, Pa., with Oswego and Binghamton, N. Y., to follow. RIDES-Can place any Kiddie Ride except Train. Want Tilt, Hi Ball, Dark Ride, any new modern ride.

SHOWS-Motor Drome, this is a real Drome territory; man for Snake Show. Place Glass House, will furnish equipment to real showmen.

- CONCESSIONS-Place Age, Scale, Photos, American Palmist, Hoop-La, Glass Pitch, Ball Games, any and all Hanky Panks. Agents wanted for Roll Down, Razzle, Skillo. Mike Moore, call Mollie Decker, Altamont Hotel. Can place three Agents for Bowling Alley who will work for guarter and half for stock.
- HELP-Man to handle Marquee. Shorty Jack Canady, let me hear from you. Can always place good Ride Men. Useful carnival help who drive semis. All address.

#### RALPH DECKER

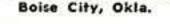
Hazleton, Pa., this week; then per route.



Address: STANLEY KENNEDY, Commander Toluca, Ill.

STATE FAIR SHOWS **ON PARADE** 

Will book Hanky Panks of all kinds. In-dividually owned Diggers, Photo, Scales-Age and Novelties. (Bill Bradley, wire.) Address: ROY EDSALL and SAMMY GEORGE, Mgrs.





P. C. Agents, Rat Game, other P. C., Hit or Miss Ball Game, Glass Pitch. Have Van-couver, Canada, Labor Day. Agents joining now given preference. Frank White, Harry Morris, contact.

EDDIE YATES or VIRGIE WATERS J. Tidwell Shows, Tucumcari, N. Mex.



'41 Chev. Truck and 5 Concessions, which include four 8'x14' Tops and Frames, one 8'x12' Top and Frame. All complete with Roll Downs, Razzles, Skillos, Wheels, etc. Plenty of flash for all and ready to operate.

GEORGE L. EVITTS c/o General Delivery Riviera Beach, Fla.



THREE DAYS AND NIGHTS **MONROE COUNTY FAIR** July 28, 29, 30 CARL WOOD, Paris, Mo.

#### **Use Window Displays**

Progressive stores will be glad to co-operate with window displaystying up Learn-To Swim posters with displays of their swimming suits. In many cases it has been very successful to have a registration booth for the classes in the swim-suit departments.

It takes very little effort to arrange for announcements at luncheon clubs-Kiwanis, Rotary, Lions-and at meetings of Chamber of Commerce and the many fraternal organizations.

Eveything you do to arouse interest in your campaign will reward you many times for the efforts.

It is also advisable to arrange for competent assistants to the instructor. They can generally be secured thru the co-operation of the local Red Cross chapter. A meeting of all volunteers with the instructor should be held before the campaign, actually to show them the method of instruction to be used. The results of the campaign will be contingent upon the manner in which the volunteers will follow the course of study as outlined by the instructor.

#### All Report at Same Hour

Pupils for advanced swimming lessons should report at the same time as those who are in the beginners' classes. When class is called to order, all pupils taking advanced work will immediately be segregated and placed under an instructor whose entire time during the campaign will be devoted to that type of instruction.

At present the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches' (NAAPPB) is negotiating with the Jantzen Knitting Mills, Portland, Ore., to work out a plan whereby NAAPPB and the Jantzen org will co-operate to help operators conduct a Learn-To-Swim campaign.

Promotion is an important item in any business. It is doubly important to pool and beach operators.



### WANT CONCESSIONS—ALL KINDS

Duck Pond, Fish Pond, Cork Gallery, Lead Gallery, String Game, Hoop-La, Photo, Ball Game, Hoop-La, Photo, Ball Game, Pitch Till Win, Balloon Dart. Want Ride Help who drive.

All Address: Trenton, N. J., May 9-14; St. Louis, Penna., 16-21.

### LOU RILEY

## WANT AGENTS

For Floss, Balloon Darts, Hit and Miss, Add Up Darts. Ride Help on Mixup, Whirl. Corn Game, Mitt Camp open. Can place few more Concessions. Playing two spots a week through Colorado, Wyoming, Montana,

## WILSON GREATER SHOWS LLOYD WILSON

WINSLOW, ARIZ., MAY 9-15.

## WALLACE & MURRAY SHOWS



WANT

Legitimate Concessions of all kinds. Can use General Agent at once. Must have transportation. Can place capable Percentage Agents. Address: OCEANA, W. VA., THIS WEEK.

## **GREATER RAINBOW SHOWS**

OPENING HASTINGS, NEBR., MAY 16 Reliable Ride Men, come on. Pat, please contact again. Will book Mechanical Show or some similar attraction. Have opening for Stock Clothes Pin, Fish Pond, High Striker, String Game, Ping-Pong, Bumper, Basketball. Allan Herschell 10-Car Kid Auto Ride for sale, also Wurlitzer Merry-Go-Round Organ.

BOX 251, HARVARD, NEBR.

**ROGER WARD** 



LOREN LEACH

## **Denver Skatery Ops, Civic Groups in Joint Promotion Of Sidewalk Skating Meets**

### National Manufacturers Hop Promotional Bandwagon

DENVER, May 7.—One of the largest skating promotions ever attempted here, a sidewalk roller skating contest, is being sponsored under joint auspices of The Rocky Mountain News, the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the city recreation and parks departments, and major roller rinks of the city.

The idea was developed by Ed Mc-Laughlin, promotion manager for Irving L. Jacobs's Mammoth Garden Foller Rink, who sold Willard N. Greim, city recreation director, on the stunt, and when the Jaycees went to Greim's assistant, Earl (Curly) Schlupp, and offered to sponsor a kiddie contest of some kind, he sold them on the skating contest.

#### All Rinks In

Because of the city-wide aspects of the affair, two other rinks (Skateland and the Rollerdrome) were invited to participate. McLaughlin represents the rinks on the committee handling the contest. The tie-up with the News insures adequate publicity. Already two feature stories, along with pictures, have appeared in Sunday editions of the News and more are to follow. The April 24 edition carried a two-column picture of Johnny Green, Mammoth Garden instructor, teaching a trio of tots how te roller skate on sidewalks. The May 1 issue pictured two Jaycee officials fitting shoe skates on a pair of Den-

four groups: Pee-wee, up to age 8 half-pint, to 10; midget, to 12, and intermediate, to 14. The first three classes will skate approximately 30 yards, but older children will race longer distances. The races will be run in heats with winners competing again until finalists are chosen. First and second place winners will be eligible for finals.

Entrants in the solo graceful skating contests may skate any style they choose. Judging will be on a point basis and the contestants will be given 90 seconds performing time. Graceful couples will be judged on unison of the team, as well as on natural grace and the smoothness of the skating.



BROOKLYN, May 7.-Skate Queen Contest eliminations Saturday (30) at Empire Rollerdrome here attracted a record entry of 585 aspirants and approximately 1,200 spectators. Represented in the entry roster were 32 roller rinks in six States (New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Indiana) and the District of Columbia.

Judges Peggy Shannon, New York Journal American women's editor, and Murray Korman, noted glamour photographer, pared the field to 93 for the \$1,000 prize finals, Saturday (7), at the same rink. Task of selecting at the main event will be handled by Harry Conover, model agent and creator of the "cover girl"; Candy Jones, television star and his cover girl wife, and Sid Mesibor of Paramount Pictures publicity department.

Ten girls will be picked to share in the prize jackpot. Top award will be a Furness Line luxury cruise to Bermuda, with accommodations at Harrington House on Bailey's Bay.

N.Y. Queen Contest | Academy Prom Draws 585 Entries, Clicks; To Be Held Monthly

> DETROIT, May 7.-The first roller skating prom was held Monday (2) at Edgewater Park Roller Rink under sponsorship of the Class of 1949, National Academy for Roller Skating Teachers, and drew an attendance of about 150 skaters at a price of \$2 per couple. No single tickets were sold.

Idea was conceived by Vivian Heard, director of the school, and handled along the lines of a college prom. Objective was to provide a complete evening of skate dancing for those who like the pastime, in place of the usually brief interludes of dancing at rinks, where the total time is likely to run 30 to 40 minutes during an evening.

The prom was handled as a semiformal event, with girls wearing bouffant type long dresses and the men wearing business suits. An engraved card of admission and a program, like that for conventional balls, were used. Music was provided by Frederick Bayne, organist at Edgewater.

The initial event, operated as a function of the Academy on a night when the rink is normally closed, proved so successful that a similar policy will be adopted experimentally for one night a month, said Miss Heard, who has just taken over full management of the Edgewater rink in addition to her duties with the Academy. She succeeds Gilbert Axell. who left to go with a rink in Michigan City, Ind.

**Alexandria Snares** 

## **RSROA's Pennsy Contests Click at Pitt's Lexington**

PITTSBURGH, May 7.—Under the supervision of Edna Betz, professional at H. D. Ruhlman's Lexington Skating Palace here, the Pennsylvania championships of the Roller Skating vania chapter. The competitions were successful in every respect, said

burg; Lloyd Miller, Lexington, Pittsburgh. Senior ladies, Geraldine Specht and Ada Duerlein, Lexington, Pittsburgh. Senior men, Ed-ward Bossart, Lexington, Pittsburgh; Russell Serenka, unattached, West Homestead; Leo Allen, Collseum, Greensburg.

Pairs, junior, Clarence Gillespie and Patricia Rink Operators' Association were run off May 1-3 in excellent fashion, according to K. D. Strayer, secretary-treasurer of the RSROA's Pennsyl-vania chapter. The competitions were and Ada Duerlein, Lexington, Pittsburgh.

ver girls.

National manufacturers and local merchants have hopped the contest's Strayer. bandwagon with offers of prizes. Chicago Roller Skate Company is of-fering three pairs of shoe skates, and Cleveland Skate Company has Cleveland Skate Company has pledged two semi-precision rink outfits. A local sporting good dealer is conating a baseball bat, mitt and ball, and another one is putting up six softballs. A jewelry store is offering a bracelet as a prize for one of the contests for girls. These five firms are the first of a long list of companies that are expected to offer prizes before the contests start.

#### 8-14 Age Brackets

Opening May 27, eliminations will be conducted on the concrete tennis courts of five city parks, with finals scheduled for June 7. Contestants may enter any or all of the contests in racing, solo graceful skating, and Philadelphia; Anthony Grieneisen, Lexington, Pittsburgh. Intermediate ladies, Dorothy Mccouples graceful skating.

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**Results:** 

girls, Shirley Sheetz, unattached, Harrisburg; novice men, William Watt, Lexington, Pitts-burgh; intermediate ladies, Dorothy McDonough, unattached. Pittsburgh; intermediate men, Donald Craig, Lexington, Pittsburgh; senior ladies, Geraldine Specht, Lexington, Pittsburgh; senior men, Russell Serenka, un-attached, West Homestead.

Free skating, juvenile girls, Kathy Carney, Collseum, Greensburg: Mauricelene Himes, Ringing Rocks Park Rink, Pottstown: Shirley Smith, unattached, Chester. Juvenile boys, Ronald Davidheiser, Ringing Rocks Park, Pottstown. Junior girls, June Weisser, Ring-ing Rocks Park, Pottstown: Carol Vollero, Lexington, Pittsburgh; Annette Bechtel, Ring-ing Rocks Park, Pottstown Junior hove ing Rocks Park, Pottstown. Junior boys, Robert Serenka, unattached, West Homestead. Novice ladies. Shirley Sheetz, unattached, Harrisburg, Doris Clemmer, unattached, Philadelphia; Patty Rogerson, unattached, Cheswick. Novice men, William Watt, Lexington, Pittsburgh: James Johnson, Crystal Palace, The racing division will include burgh; James Mixon Jr., unattached, Harris-

Dancing, juvenile, John Weakland and Nancy Peters, Coliseum, Greensburg; Albert Renshaw and Lynda Langford, unattached, Green Ridge. Junior, James Kepler and Mary Mann, unattached, York; Harry Geer and Dorothy Jackson, unattached, Philadelphia; Clarence Gilespie and Patricia McAnall, unattached, Chester, Novice, John Corbett and Joan Evans, Eleventer, Novice, John Corbett and Joan Evans, Finwood, Philadelphia; George E. King and Margaret Laurilliard, unattached, Philadel-phia; Wiliam Heron and Ruth James, Lex-ginton, Pittsburgh. Intermediate, Joseph El-liott and Caroline Eglof, unattached, Phila-delphia; James and Barbara Palangi, Capital, Harrisburg: Bobart Smith and Lavinia Cod-Harrisburg; Robert Smith and Lavinia Godshall, unattached, Chester. Senior, Donald and Bette Halteman, Ringing Rocks Park, Pottstown; Walter and Doris Eggert, Elmwood, Philadelphia; Robert Hawley and Beatrice Shirey, inattached, Philadelphia.

Speed skating, juvenile boys A, Paul Smith, Coliseum, Greensburg; John Morotto, Sports Haven, Bridgeville; John Strayer, Skateland, Johnstown. Juvenile girls A, Alma Smith, Coliseum, Greensburg: Annis Glenn, unat-tached, Chester. Juvenile boys B, Peter Weakland, Coliseum, Greensburg: Jack Smith, Playland, York, Juvenile girls B, Dorothy Jackson, unattached, Chester; Mary Tigano, Lexington, Pittsburgh; Shirley Smith, unat-tached, Chester. Juvenile boys C, Ronald Davidheiser, Ringing Rocks Park, Pottstown; Jerome Weakland, Coliseum, Greensburg; Albert Renshaw, unattached, Green Ridge. Juve-nile girls C, Peggy Ritchey, Lexington, Pitts-burgh; Kathy Carney, Coliseum, Greensburg; Lynda Langford, unattached, Green Ridge. Junior boys, Mike Gentile, Sports Haven, Bridgeville; Robert Smith, unattached, Ches-ter; Charles Davis, Sports Haven, Bridgeville. Junior girls, Wilda Palm, unattached, McKeesport. Intermediate men, Larry Manganello, Sporth Haven, Bridgeville; Howard Dempsey, unattached. Chester; Donald Land, Sports Haven, Bridgeville. Intermediate ladies, Helen Malley, unattached, Pittsburgh. Senior men, William Heron, Lexington, Pittsburgh; Duane Desrfield Broadway Glassport: Jack Gates Dearfield, Broadway, Glassport; Jack Gates, Skateland, Johnnstown. Senior ladies, Ger-aldine Specht, Lexington, Pittsburgh; Nancy Wampler and Eleanor Stepko, Broadway, Glassport.

### Md. RSROA Meet Draws Well

BALTIMORE, May 7. - Maryland championships of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association in Coliseum Roller Rink here Sunday (1) drew a good crowd of spectators and a large number of contestants, reports R. J. Wilhelm, of the Coliseum staff. Among winners were Zigrid Grofelut, novice ladies figure and free style skating; Bernard Lang and Jenny Rudy, novice dancing; Thomas and Mary Jean Knott, intermediate dancing; Jean Henderson, juvenile girls free style, and William Keeney, men's intermediate free style.

## **Network Broadcast**

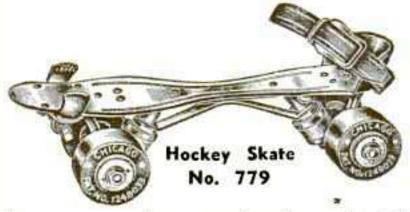
ALEXANDRIA, Va., May 7. -Alexandria (Va.) Arena, a link in the America on Wheels chain of rinks, will snag a mention over a network radio show May 20 when Guy Lombardo and His Royal Canadians play for a dance there. A coast-to-coast broadcast over the Mutual Broadcasting System will carry the dance music.

The net show is being sponsored by the Alexandria Bicentennial Commission and the dance by the Twig, junior auxiliary of the Alexandria Hospital. Both groups have been putting out numerous press releases, and the Alexandria rink is receiving prominent mention in the publicity.

#### New One for Waterloo, Ia.

WATERLOO, Ia., May 7 .--- Two Waterloo men, Danny Gray and Bob Collier, have opened a new roller rink opposite Electric Park here. The rink will be known as the Skateland and will be open every night except Monday. There will be Sunday afternoon sessions. The building is an open-air pavilion type structure.





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## **RINKS AND SKATERS**

## **Big Park Circle Turnout To See** Latin, Wallace

BROOKLYN, May 7.- A surprise crowd of over 1,100 patrons jammed Park Circle Arena, home of the national champion club of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association, Tuesday (3) for an hour long roller revue.

Starring Skating Vanities stars Norman Latin and Margaret Wallace, former World Congress champions, it featured 18 numbers, including single, pair, ladies pair, dance, trio, four, ballet and group routines by members of the junior and senior clubs. Direction was by coaches Roland and Margaret Cioni, with Eddie Pleasure at the organ.

Next day Latin and Miss Wallace sailed with Skating Vanities for performances in London, Paris and Zurich.

Amazing success of the Park Circle show was attributed by the Cionis to good newspaper advertising and publicity, a substantial advance sale of tickets by clubsters, and the drawing power of Latin and Wallace, Park Circle alumni, in their only local appearance of the season.

### MRS. GIBBONS' BOY

(Continued from page 46) for genuine chuckles. Glenda Farrell, of course, has a way with a caustic line, but she is pretty much lost in the shuffle.

Boys adds up to the conclusion that there isn't much stage fun to be extracted from unregenerate thugs and idiotic mother love. It shouldn't happen even to a gas man.

Bob Francis.

## BURLESQUE NOTES

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MUSKEGON, Mich., May 7.-The Palladium, which has been operated during the past year by William Todd and George Stringham, has been taken over by Perry B. Giles, of Curvecrest Roller Rink here.

The rink will be closed for about two weeks for remodeling. It will reopen in late May on a full schedule, catering particularly to private parties and younger skaters.

## Attendance Up 20% **At RSROA Michigan Arena Gardens Meet**

DETROIT, May 7.—Arena Gardens here was host to the three-day competitions for the Michigan championships of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association, drawing attendance of 1,328. This was an increase of about 20 per cent over attendance of 1,100 last year when the competitions were held at the Rollatorium in Jackson.

Nancy Lee Parker, national senior ladies' figure skating champion, came thru again to take the State title in both figure and free skating. This particular contest was played up in a rotogravure section picture story in The Detroit Free Press as a real contest between Nancy Lee and Dolores Parker.

Dale Godfrey, son of Orville Godfrey, Arcadia Rink, Detroit, scored a sweep in senior men's speed skating events, winning five first places to take the title.

**Results:** Speed-senior men, Dale Godfrey, Arcadia, Detroit; senior ladies, Dorothy Kohls, Rollerdrome, River Rouge; intermediate men, Earl Dunn Jr., Mount Clemens Arena; intermediate including Bimbo Davis, Jimmie ladies, Alice Plumb, Arcadia, Detroit; Pinto, Herbie Burke, Bunny Bear, junior boys, Charles Tomlinson, Flint Park Rollercade; junior girls, Dorothy van Damme, Arena Gardens; juvenile boys A, Richard Flowery, River Rouge Rollerdrome, Dearborn; juvenile girls A, Judy Taack, Collins Roller Rink, Imlay City; juvenile boys B, David Thompson, Saginaw; juvenile girls B, Barbara Ray, Collins Roller Rink; juvenile boys C, Richard Paulson, River Rouge Rollerdrome; juvenile girls C, Carolyn Borth, Detroit. Figure and free skating—senior men, Robert Quick, Arena Gardens; senior ladies, Nancy Lee Parker, Clintdale Roller Rink, Utica; intermediate men, Paul Lampkin, West Huron Roller Rink, Pontiac; intermediate ladies, Barbara Myers, Arcadia; novice men, Joseph Hakim, Arcadia; novice ladies, Beverly Cook, Ambassador Rink, Clawson; junior boys, William Pate, Arena Gardens; junior girls, Nancy Kromis, Arena Gardens; juvenile girls, Patsy Jarrard, Arcadia. Pair skating-senior, Pat Hogan and Virginia Irwin, Arena Gardens; Locke, Arcadia; junior, Ray Miller and Gertrude Miller, Mount Clemens Arena; juvenile, David Thompson

## Bridgeport Mgr. In Race Action

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., May 7. -Judge Philip J. Sullivan, of Criminal Court of Common Pleas, this week dealt a blow against racial discrimination in public amusement places when he imposed a \$100 fine and a five-day jail sentence on Earl Bradley, manager of Holland Skateland here.

Execution of the jail sentence was ordered delayed a week because of the serious illness of Bradley's wife, who is in the Bridgeport Hospital.

Bradley was accused of having failed to issue proper size roller skates to two Negro couples who accompanied two white couples to the rink on the night of June 19, 1948. After a partial trial, Bradley pleaded guilty to a violation of Section 86OF, pertaining to "alienage, race or color discrimination."

The defendant appealed a \$25 fine imposed by Bridgeport City Court last June, after his demurrer was overruled. The maximum penalty is a \$100 fine and 30 days in jail.

## DONALDSON AWARDS

#### (Continued from page 46)

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Pat Galvin, Vilma Drew, Peggy O'Connor and Buddy Bryant. Also in on the feast were the stagehands, musicians and chorus. . . . Sammy Price and Charlie Harris opened May 1 in Asheville, N. C., for the Veterans' Camp Shows, and Mandy Kay, Jean Bedini, Joyce Breazelle and Harry Hines May 9 in Tacoma, Wash., with another unit. . . . Russell LaValle, line producer, is doubling between the Park, Youngs-town, O., and the Roxy, Cleveland. ... Don Lynn, Genii Young, Madge Journay, Carole Jane and Gene Nash are current at the Belasco, Los Angeles. . . Jimmie Matthews, comic; his wife, Sue Gaye, and Tommy Jr., will motor from the Hirst Circuit to their farm at Lake Okaboji, Ia., where they will vacation for the summer.

### MAGIC NOTES

(Continued from page 48) magic manufacturing business was given a little DDT. Look at some of the magic dealers' catalogs. Read intermediate, Paul Lampkin and the descriptions, then study the il- Laurene Anselmy, West Huron Roller lustrations, then buy the article. Rink; novice, Joseph Hakim and Gail Silly boy! Copy very often is dishonest and pictures purposely or unintentionally deceive but the customer is always wrong unless he and Barbara Dubay, Parkway Arena, has the guts to raise hell with the Saginaw. publication."

Fours-intermediate, Inga Stokosa,

treasurers; Oliver Saylor, for the press agents; Richard Watts Jr., for the critics; John McDowell, for the stagehands; Woodman Thompson, for the scenic designers; Robert Byrne, for the costume designers. Representing The Billboard are Roger S. and William D. Littleford, publishers, and Bob Francis, drama editor.

Virginia Irwin, Robert Quick and Patrick Hogan, Arena Gardens; novice, Gordon Patton, Archie Patten, Carol Gocha and Barbara Cook, Flint Rollercade.

Skate dancing-senior, Patrick Hogan and Bernice Stauder, Arena Gardens; intermediate, Albert Anselmy and Marilyn Lampkin, West Huron Roller Rink; novice, Robert Hodges and Nancy Kromis, Arena Gardens; Roller Rink; novice, Robert Hodges and Nancy Kromis, Arena Gardens; junior, Thomas Jones and Marilyn Jones, Arcadia; juvenile, David Thompson and Carol Pressler, Park-way Arena. way Arena.

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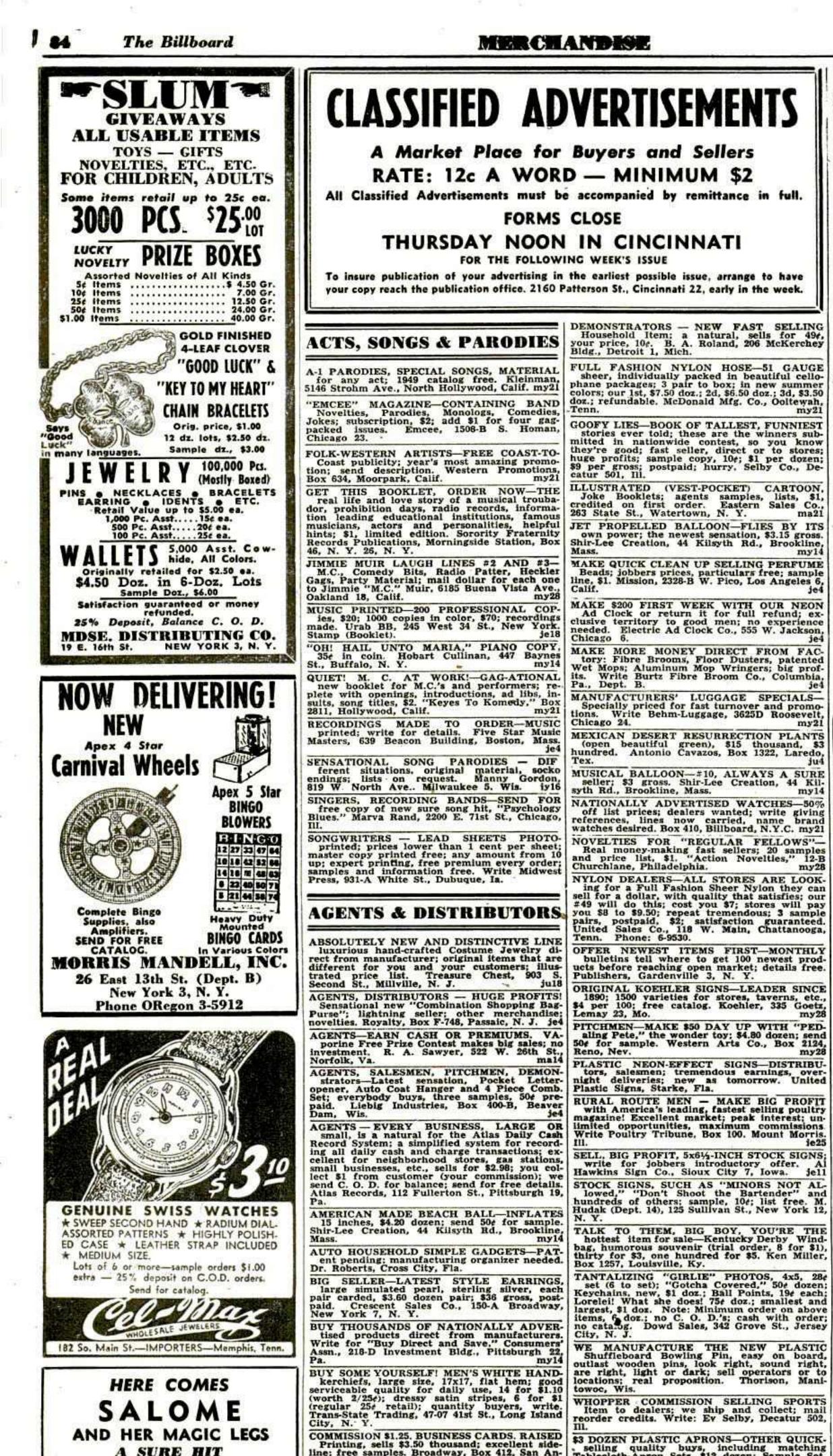
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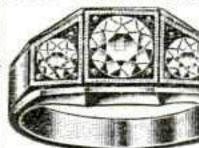
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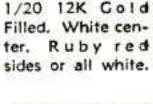
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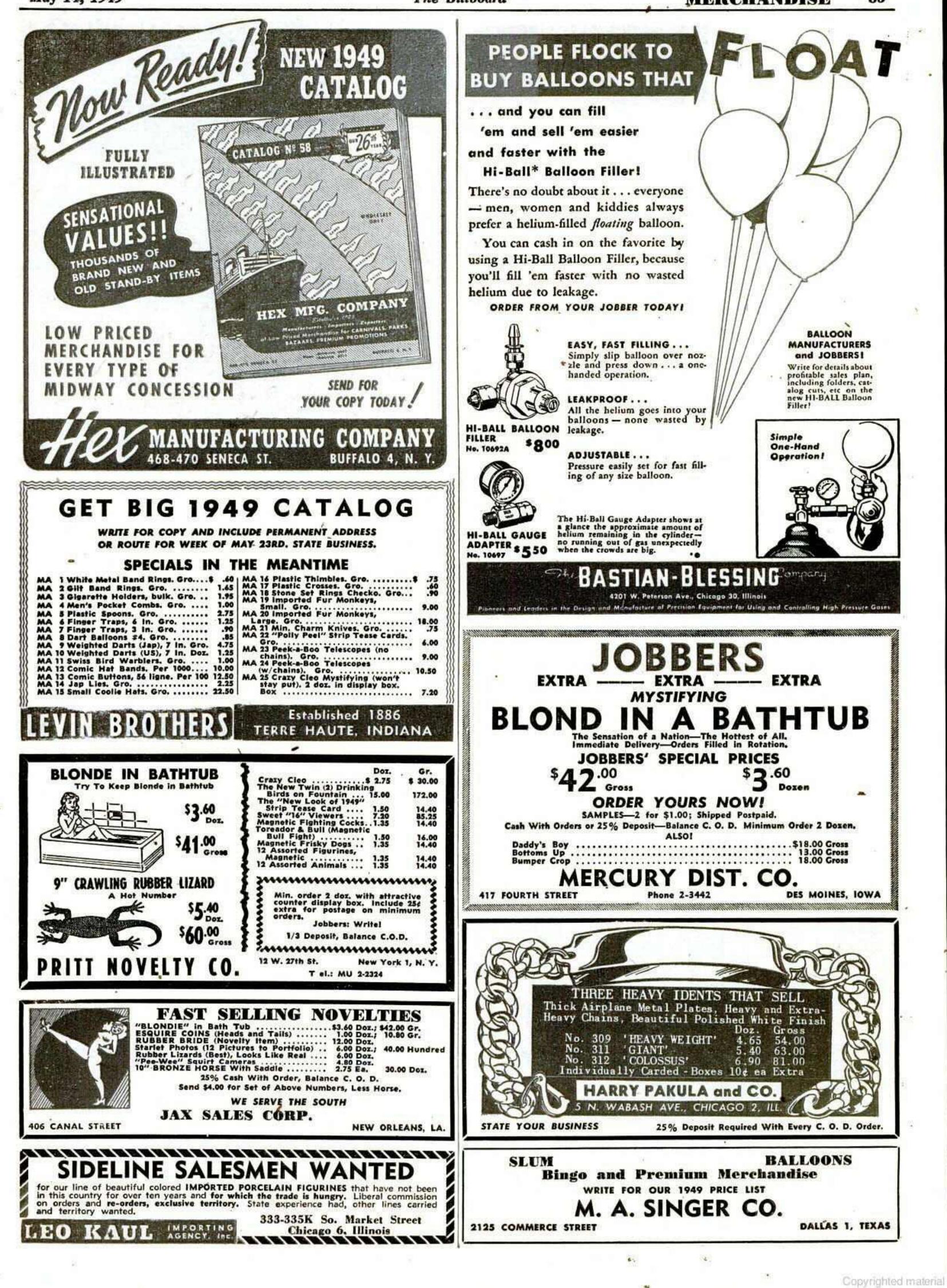
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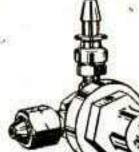
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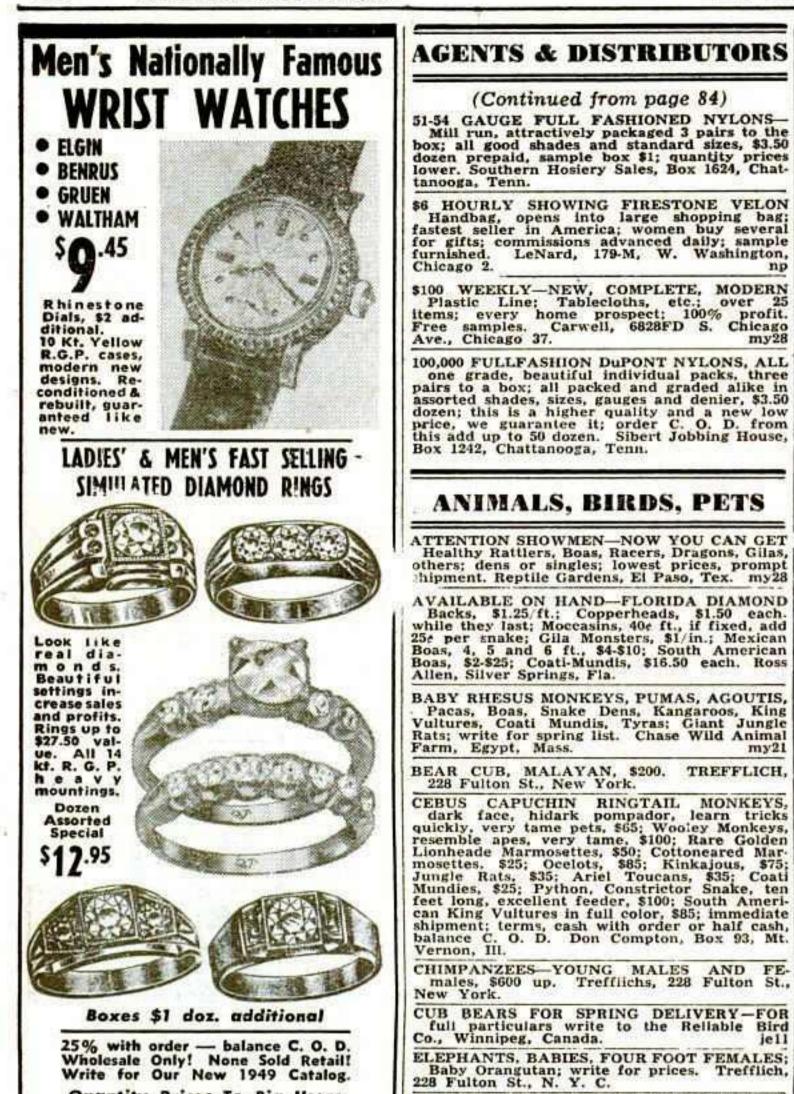




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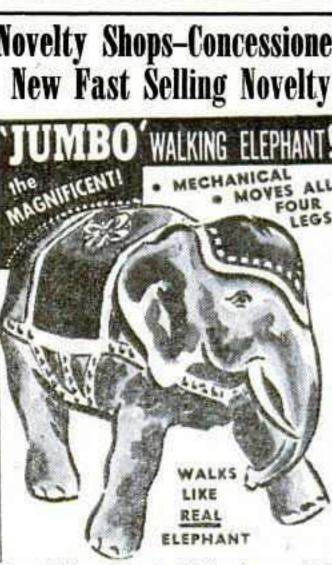


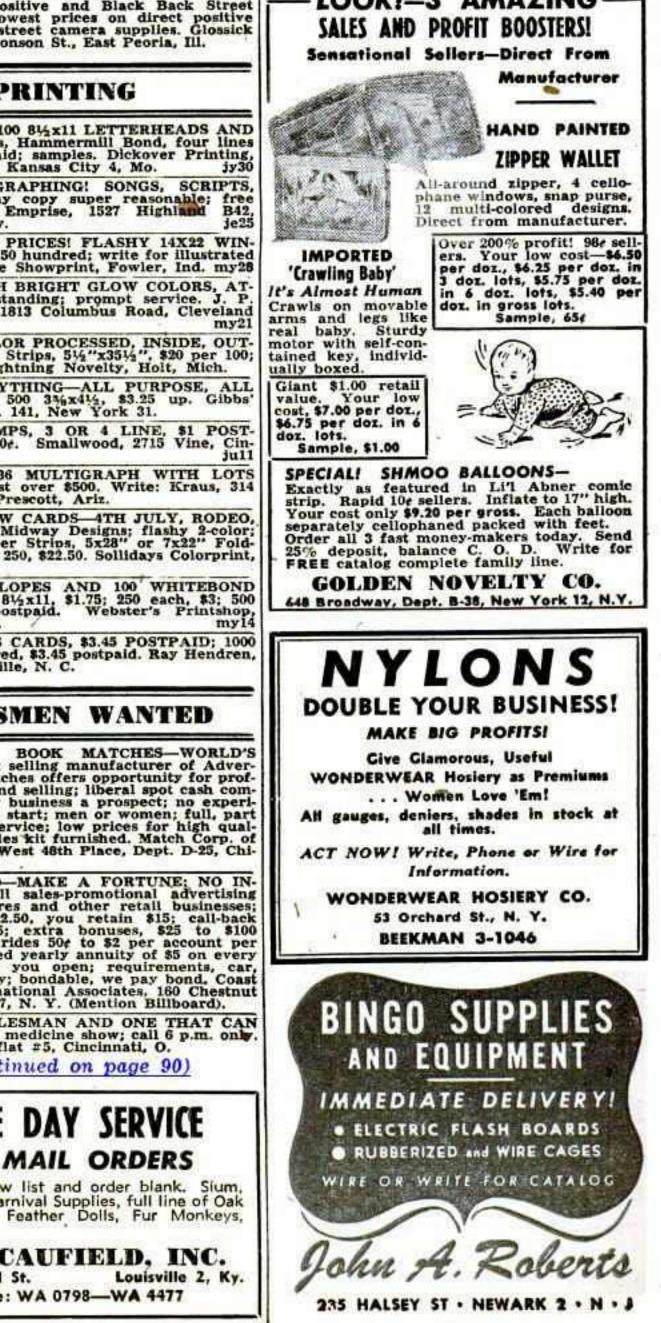
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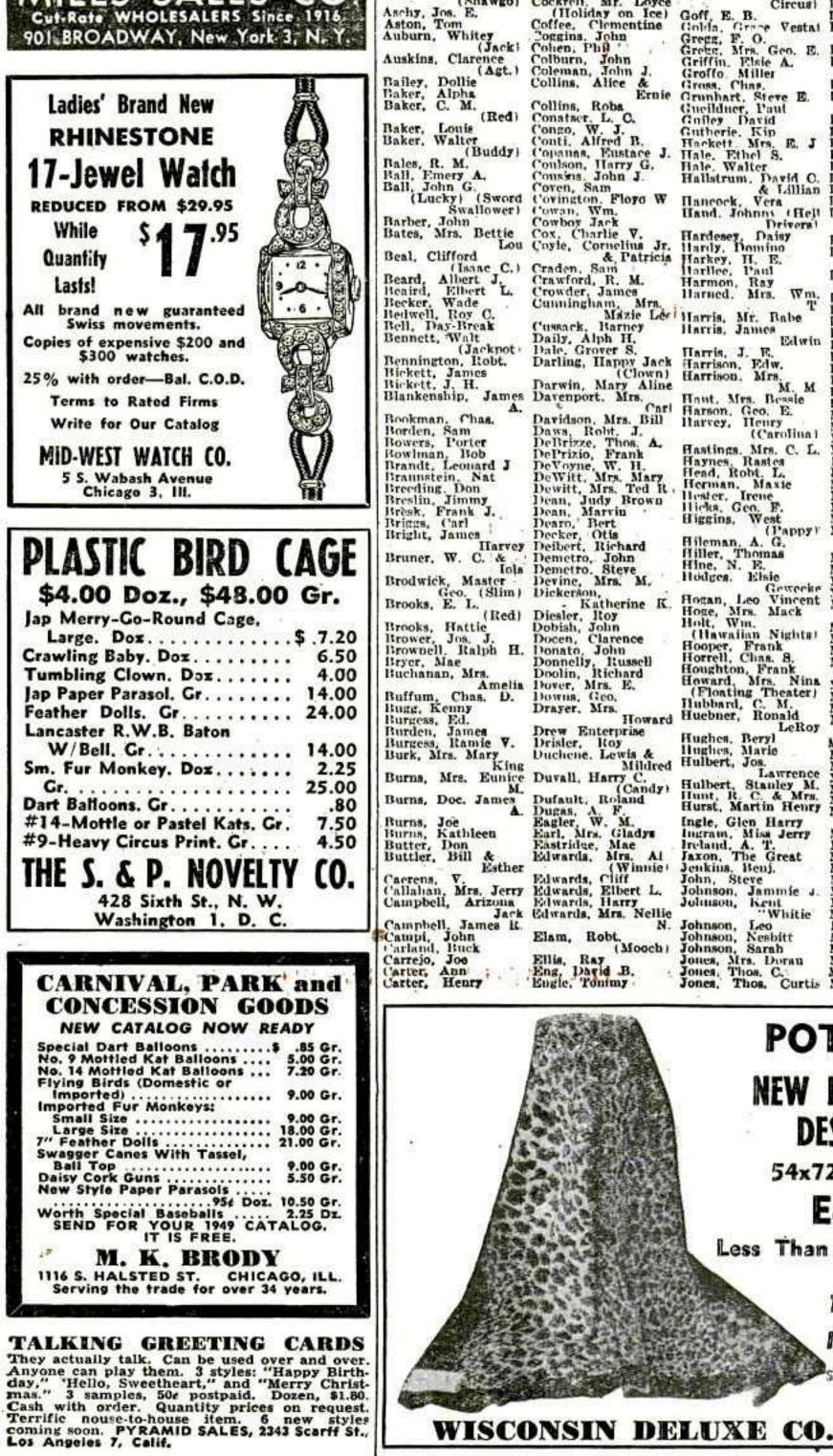
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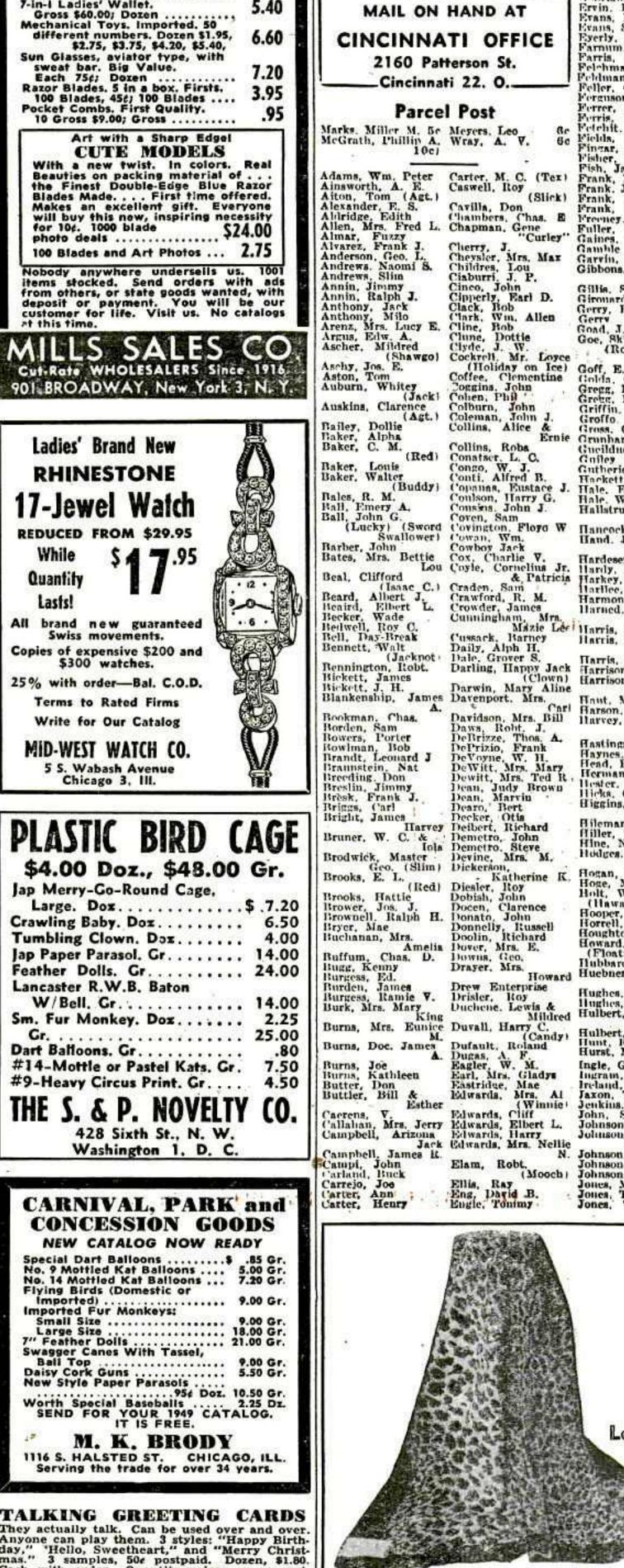
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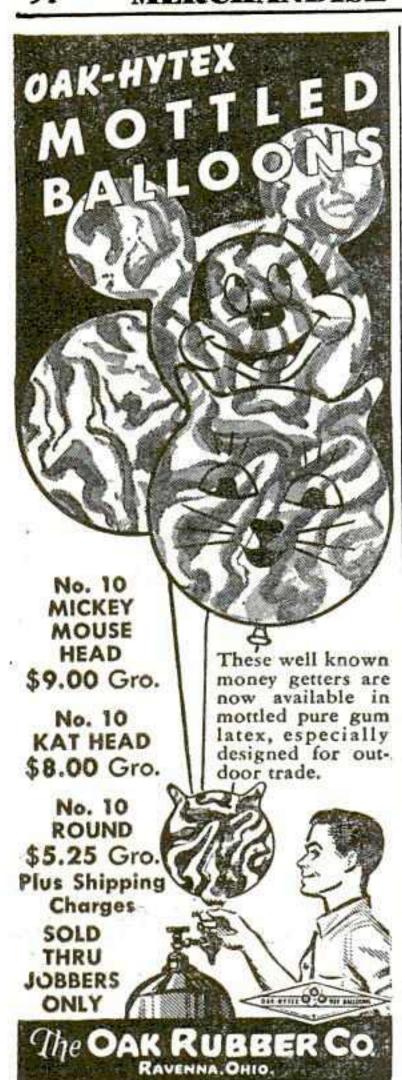






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#### MERCHANDISE 94



The Billboard

### May 14, 1949

**Pipes for Pitchmen** 

By Bill Baker-

THEODORE TURCZYN .... sold rods and reels at the recent Detroit Sportsmen's Show. He reported business way off.

Spring fever rarely hits the pitchman. His lot is itchy feet.

#### EUGENE P. GLASS ....

well known in Pitchdom, is working out of his Dayton, O., headquarters.

He keeps abreast of every development in his field.

#### JOHN H. ANDREW . . .

veteran pitcheroo, is currently driving the routes for The Southern Planter, but is contemplating returning to the pitch game with spark intensifiers.

Anyone work the Kentucky Derby, Louisville? How was It?

Pitchmen's Sayings: "You kind people are among the first to see this brandnew item."

#### "DESPITE THE WEATHER . . .

the Buccaneer Days wound up a colorful and successful run in Corpus Christi, Tex., recently," cards R. B. (Slim) Cunningham from Beeville, Tex. "We've had numerous heavy rains in this sector of late, but the Corpus Christi celebration drew large crowds and the event proved a red one for the money hustlers."

Pitchdom's critics are numerous but there are never enough of 'em with constructive ideas.

The many bright events in May should fill plenty of pitchmen's pokes with hay.

#### J. R. STEPHENS . . .

widely known in pitch circles, has forsaken Pitchdom, at least temporarily, to specialize in photography. He's been shooting photos of all carnivals within a 50-mile radius of Detroit and reports business okay when the weather's good. Stephens has booked the layout at a number of celebrations in Ohio and Michigan.

The successful pitchman not only knows how to speak but he knows when to do it and for how long.

Baddies close spots. The right gees open 'em.

#### "WORKED THE . . .

Magic Wonder Towels in front of a Brunswick, Ga., hardware store April 30," cards Sonia Giroud from Jacksonville, Fla. "It was a swell spot for a Saturday and it can be worked by anyone possessing a good, clean item. My demonstrator has started a twoweek stand at Levy's, Savannah, Ga., and business at the opening was good. Fifteen demonstrations were going on simultaneously at Cohen's, Jacksonville, all last week. Items included pressure cookers, sandwich toasters, tinfoil, can openers, glass engraving, coffee makers, graters and button-hole stitchers."

Fancy Freddie Says: "It's the clean worker who can get money anywhere."

Do as you like and your difficulties are just beginning.

#### THE CARL KNOWLESES . . .

have been frequent visitors at the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond A. (Bud) Chalue in the foothills of the Sierra Madre Mountains, Monrovia, Calif. Carl has been working Bud's new gas breaker in Southern California to outstanding returns. Knowles says that Art Novotny is working the same item in Seattle, while Fred Krause and Ray Lindsey are playing San Francisco with the item to sound results. He adds that O. A. Rorabaugh has purchased stock and is making preparations to start North from California.

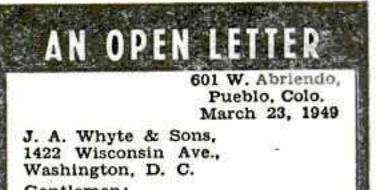
The spring months you talked about last winter have arrived. What are you doing about them?

the Ringling-Barnum show. A feature article, "Precision Rules Circus Transport," describes how the show is moved and tells of the men' responsible for moving it. There are some 30 pictures of circus lot scenes.

There is no surer way to make a matinee 90 minutes late than to arrive in town 30 minutes late.

George Barnaby, clown, visited with Lee Virtue and Horace Laird when Cole Bros. played Kokomo, Ind. . . . After 35 years with the big tops, Roy U. Crum is now on a farm at Tehachapi, Calif. He was with Barnum & Bailey, Hagenbeck-Wallace, Sells-Floto, Al G. Barnes and other circuses. . . . Charles and Peggy Kline, after closing their stock show dates in Texas, will be at the Shrine Circus, Peru, Ind., May 13-15, for Ernie Young, with other dates to follow. . . . Burt Wilson, Chicago, now in the South and Southwest on business, writes that he caught the Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros. show at Clarksville, Tex., and the Dailey show in Poplar Bluff, Mo. . . . Walter L. Main is back home in Geneva, O., after a trip to Florida, Cuba and other points. In Florida he visited with George Christy, former owner of Christy Bros., and in Cuba caught the Santos-Artigas Circus. En route home he visited various shows, including Rogers Bros., Dales and the John Pawling show. -

Old sport used to brag about his love conquests, but now he hangs around stakeand-chain wagons bragging that no woman ever tied him down.



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### FAIR DATES

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- Dalmatia-Lower Mahanoy Tp. Community Fair. Oct. 20-22. Mrs. Ruth C. Tressler. Derry-Derry Tp. Community Fair. Sept. 22-24. Joseph A. Greuble.
- Ephrata-Ephrata Farmers' Day Assn. Sept. 21-24. R. H. Garver.
- Ford City-Armstrong Co. Fair. Sept. 2-5. W B. Mechling.
- Greenville-Upper Perkiomen Community Fair. Sept. 28-30. V. S. Ensminger.

Hollidaysburg-Hollidaysburg Farm Show Assn. Oct. 12-14. Norman K. Hoover.

Home-Ox Hill Community Fair. Sept. 5-7. David W. Simpson.

Lampeter-W. Lampeter Community Fair. Sept. 28-30. Wayne B. Rentschler.

Ligonier-Ligonier Valley Fair Assn. Aug. 23-27. R. A. Hardy.

Linesville—Linesville Community Fair Assn Sept. 7-10. O. C. Lance.

Lititz-Lititz Community Show, Sept. 29-Oct. 1. Harry Gorton.

Mercer-Mercer Central Agrl, Soc. Aug. 23-

27. Harry Moore. Mill Hall-Clinton Co. Fair. Aug. 24-27. J. Rex Haver.

Millport-Oswayo Valley Community Fair. Sept. 7-10. Mrs. Nina H. Vanderhoof.

Montandon-Tri-Township Fair, Sept. 21-23. Clarence E. Emery.

Mount Joy-Mount Joy Community Exhibit. Oct. 13-15. Joseph G. Shaeffer.

Myerstown-Myerstown Community Fair Assn. Oct. 12-14. John R. Shermes.

Newfoundland - Greene-Dreher Community Fair. Aug. 25-27. Henry G. Batjer, Greentown, Pa.

Port Allegany-Port Allegany Community Fair. Mid-October. Clyde C. Lynch.

Port Royal-Juniata Co. Agrl. Assn. Sept. 5-10. Dwight B. Hower.

Pricedale-Rostraver Tp. Community Fair. Sept. 7-9. T. E. Cocain.

Schaefferstown-Heidleberg Community Fair. Sept. 28-30. Henry N. Wenger. Townville-Townville Community Fair. Sept.

22-24. Elda Riede.

Turbotville-Turbotville Community Fair, Oct. 5-8. Lee Menger.

Ulysses-Ulysses Community Fair Assn. Aug. 23-25. Clark G. Cowburn,

Unionville—Unionville Community Fair. Oct. 3d week. Robert G. Struble.

Washington-Washington Co. Agri. Fair. Aug. 16-19. William H. Hutchison.

Washingtonville-Montour-DeLong Fair, Oct. 12-14. Emerson C. Heffner. Yellow Creek-North Bedford Co. Fair. Oct.

20-22. Ray M. Fisher.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA

Newberry-Am. Legion Newberry Co. Fair. Oct. 10-15. Frank Sutton. Sumter-Sumter Co. Fair, Nov. 7-12. J. Cliff Brown.

Most pitchmen possess a burning ambition that has helped them over seemingly insurmountable obstacles.

#### TENNESSEE

Lawrenceburg - Lawrence Co.-Tenn. Valley Fair. Sept. 26-Oct. 1. Dr. E. R. Braly,

#### TEXAS

Hempstead-Waller Co. Fair, Sept. 22-24. S. E. Mayo, Waller, Tex.

Jourdanton-Atascosa Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 20-22. Leon F. Steinle. Shamrock-State Line Free Fair. Sept. 22-

24. Guy Hill.

#### VIRGINIA

Chesterfield-Chesterfield Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 22-24. J. C. McKesson, Richmond, Va. Farmville-Five-County Fair Assn. Sept. 19-24. J. C. Brickert.

Fincastle-Botetourt Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 22-27. Agnes Booze.

- Keller-Eastern Shore Fair Assn. Aug. 30-Sept. 3. J. Milton Mason.
- Manassas-Manassas Pair Assn. Sept. 5. J. M. Baucum.
- New Castle-Craig Co. Fair. Sept. 7-10. L. Y. Fields.

Tappahannock-Northern Virginia Fair. Sept. 5-10, George C. Clanton.

#### WYOMING

Afton-Lincoln Co. Fair. Aug. 26-27. Jackson-Jackson-Wilson Fair & Rodeo, Aug. 22-27.

## UNDER THE MARQUEE

#### (Continued from page 63)

Kim, Cy and Roy were members of Eunt Eros. band last season. . . King Eaile, who is doing promotional work for the Moose Lodge out of Mooseheart, Ill., reports he spent a few days visiting Ben Davenport and other friends on Dailey Bros. Baile's son, Billy, recently left for a tour of South America and South Africa. . . . Two former circus partners, Bob Dickman, car manager, and George W. Hamilton, lithographer, are on the Hunt Bros.' Circus advance. They were co-partners in the Bob Dickman Circus in 1945. . . . Russell Harrison, with Seals Bros. band the first four weeks this season, is a patient in Ward E, Veterans' Hospital, Fort Logan, Colo. . . . The April issue of The Railway Conductor, official publication of the Order of Railway Conductors, is a regular sawdust special. Seven pages are devoted to

Gentlemen:

It has been quite a few years since I've made even a hundred dollars in one day. Thank God, those days are here again . . . Thanks to your recent discovery. Sincerely.

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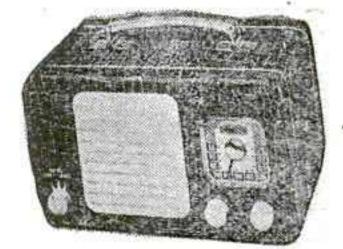
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#### Garden Bros.

Program is running smoothly. Ken Good is doing a good job as musical director. Bill Garden handles the announcer's duties in a capable manner.

Org's opening in Toronto was big and business there was good despite some inclement weather. Extra acts added in Toronto included Mae Lewis, ponies; the Great Eugene, high wire; Francisco, sway pole; Cliff O'Roy and Johnson, slack wire; the Nicklings, trampoline, and several clowns.

The entire Bill Garden family is much in evidence and Dickie and Norma garner plenty of publicity. Marlene Whaling, daughter of Bobby and Yvette, spent her vacation on the show and subbed for her mother at one matinee. She has returned to school in New York.

The stand in Guelph, Ont., was marred opening day when Paul, of the wire act, fell. He suffered only an ankle injury, however, and was okay for the next show.

Acts this year include the Morris troupe, trampoline and whip cracking; Capt. Roman Proske's tigers; Chico, juggling; Vallee and Doreen and the Rutleys, acro; Wilbur's dogs and ponies; Ian Garden, high-school horse; Janis and Paul Marcelli, wire; Lola and Mickey, roly-poly; Tex Mosley, with Ferdinand the bull; the Morris troupe, teeterboard; the Great Downie, single traps; Bobby and Yvette Whaling, bike; Will Hill's elephants; the Antaleks, perch.

Clowns include Fifi, the Carr brothers, Ernie Bruce, Art MacCall and Adam Geddes.

Staff includes Basil Whitfield, 24hour man; Jean Shaw, costumes; Kenneth Good, musical director; Al Martin, electrician; Leo Mathieu, arena superintendent; Bob Bailey, boss billposter; Fred Virgo, superintendent of transportation, and Phil Bennett and Joe Benet, concessions.-BILL DOWNIE.

## **Dressing Room Gossip**

### **Polack Bros. Eastern**

The Aerial Charltons, Paris, Tex., for the first time this season, were able to erect their rigging to its full height of 100 feet.

In Austin, Tex., Sam Ward, our promoter, received an honorary colonel's commission in the Texas Rangers from Gov. Beauford Jester.

New arrivals on the show are the wives of Hubert Castle, Dave Kind and Dwight Moore. Returning from a swim, Ray and Shirley Charlton found their trailer flooded with six inches of water. Dime Wilson and Betty Brasno aided the Charltons in their distress.

Bill Kay sold 57 banners for Sam Ward, the largest spread of banners so far. Elmer Santana, despite hand injuries, continues to catch in the Lopez act.

Charley Borza purchased a light plant for his trailer. Walter Long's mother visited in Kalamazoo. The Malikovas visited their home in Fort Worth. Fred and Betty Proper have a new Hudson. . . Nita Borza is on the sick list.

Personnel has been visiting many circuses lately. At the Barnes show were the Raymonds, Kinko and Mary, Dennis Stevens, Billy Barton, and Edythe and Whitey Boyd; the Police Circus, the Propers, Darby Hicks, Betty Brasno, Elmer Santana, Terry Peers, Kinko and Mary, the Raymonds and Dennis Stevens; the Cole show, Terry Peers, Elmer Santana and Betty Brasno; the Dailey show, Dwight Moore, and the Banks show, Dime and Connie Wilson. Wilson's family is on the Banks show.

At the Al G. Kelly-Miller show, Henry Kyes sat in with the band, and Cheerful Gardner watched every move of the bulls.

Visitors have included Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Pratt and daughters, Rita Jo and Betty Jean of Hugo Bros.; Henry Cannon of Honolulu; Morton A. Smith and family, Gainesville Circus; Dallas McLean and Willis Alley; the Badgers, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Turberville; Frank Pahlman; Tom Scaperlanda; Jimmy Jefferies, Dallas radio star; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Adams; Walter Powell, wire walker, and Ted Bowman, circus fan. Mrs. Vernon Pratt had Mabel Stark as her luncheon guest. The following night, Mabel served refreshments in her dressing room .- BILLY BAR-TON.

### **Polack Bros. Western**

On the jump from Indianapolis to Sacramento, Bobo Barnett stopped off in Los Angeles to visit his wife and 10-month-old daughter. Gus and Betty Bell stopped off in Dallas to pick up their daughter, Nicki.

Art Springer entertains the aerial ballet each day before their number. Otto's rendition of the death scene from Hamlet has been added to the clown band routine. Yvette Kohl is doing single traps in the aerial number. Bob Kellogg joined clown alley. Harry Dann is upsetting the dressing room by making model circus wagons. Otto Griebling dresses like a tourist since coming to California, ice cream suit, straw hat and camera.

Otto Berosini, Justus Edwards and Barton and Betty Bell are sporting new cars. Betty came up with some more nice wardrobe for the flying act. When it comes to making street wardrobe, Naida Roberta is no slouch.

Richard Sidney got up at 5 a.m. to go fishing and came back sans fish, but with a dandy sunburn.

Visitors from Warner Bros.' Circus were Lew Kish, Jack and Grace Fairburn, Gus Lind, Hank Carlyle, Lynn and Linda and daughter, Shirley, and Bobby Tod. The Freemans, Billy Griffin, Joe Sherman, Harry Dann and Arden Beecher returned the visit.

Josephine Berosini flew to New York and back to catch the Ringling show. Fred Merkle, George and Ruby Cutshall and the Freemans visited Butch Burkhart, who is confined in the Veterans' Hospital, Indianapolis.

Eddie Ward says he has the best Cadillac that Ed Raycraft ever sold. Bobo Barnett is on the sick list, suffering from skunk bite. Offender was his pet.

### **Rogers Bros**

The show is rolling right along and finding fairly good business. North Carolina turned out to be a bit wet. with everybody working in boots and rainy day wardrobe.

Frankie Woods seems to have the inside track in the race for Little George's affections. One of the most interesting sights in the morning is watching Wayne and Marge Newman hooking up their trailer.

Jack Lewis works the advance and holds down one of the ticket boxes. Sunday in Morganton, N. C., was a trouper's dream, a river on one side. a drive-in theater on the other, and a pitch-till-you-win fish fry joint on the lot. Mono Guiterrez is looking for a good barber pole. On Sundays the hair really flies around his trailer.

Jimmie O'Donnell and Jimmie O'Dell celebrated birthdays. The big question around the lot is whether or not Nida Kinchen will make the concert.—CHICKIE O'DONNELL.

### **Ayres and Kathryn Davies**

Visitors have included Sonny and Dotty Burdette, Chappie Pease and Bob and Edna Jeffries. Betty Tilton, Ollie Heerdink and Corky and Lucille Frazier caught the St. Louis Police Circus and returned to this opera with big-show ideas.

Pop Frazier is now known as Rubber Kilowatts. Reason is he ran the show four days with only a 1500-watt Kohler. The new light plant finally arrived and now we have plenty of lights and Pop gets a chance to sit down once in awhile.

It's hard to tell Ayres Davies from the workmen these days. He says he's going to learn to swing a sledge with one hand and push a pen with the other.

Captain Christy is getting to be quite the butcher these days.

Otis Burns serves coffee until the last stake is loaded. This is probably

### **John Pawling**

Red Lunceford, equestrian director, has a fast moving performance. Melvin D. Hildreth is producer and director of the spec, Alice in Spangleland. Two new additions to the spec are Ronna McIntosh and Patsey Reeh, both aged three.

Albert Powell's dog act is going over big. Lee Hinckley and his band account for a lot of the pep in the show. Little Midge is fast becoming a regular trouper, especially since the mud and rain.

Tommy Bentley is breaking in his dog act between shows. Jim Conwat treats all the kids to pony rides.

Deacon and Davey McIntosh and Jimmy Salters deserve praise for their transportation work. Birthdays were celebrated by Pete Reeh and Mrs. Jack Meredith.

On the sick list are Lawrence Powell and Milton Smith.

Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Lochier and daughter, Louise, with Louise making spec; Mr. and Mrs. John Meeks, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Bennett, Walter L. Main, Don Hayman, Chuck Sataja, Mary Dalesio and Mr. and Mrs. Phelps.-GRACE and FLO McINTOSH.

### Mills Bros.

Ohio weather is treating us with kindness. The ballet girls and the Wallabie Troupe are getting in plenty of sunbathing.

Joe Dobas, of the Dobas Troupe, sprained his arm but lost no performances. Charley Brady, lot superintendent, celebrated his 74th birthday Wednesday (4). Mark Roe and his cookhouse crew do a swell job. Meals are always on time.

The Madge Kinsey Comedy Company, managed by Harry Graff, visited in Marion, O. Incidentally, Glen Graves, son of the late Mickie Graves, is the son-in-law of Graff.

hand trying to save a child, who had Beatty is recovering from her recent run out on the track during menage, | illness. from injury.

sick list.—JACK LaPEARL.

## **RINGLING-BARNUM**

(Continued from page 62)

Mrs. Gardner Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Hammill, Jack Leontini, Harry Klima and midget friends, Ernie Burch's parents, Bella Attardi's mother, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar H. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Holt and Frank McCloskey's brother and sister-in-law.

Garden scenes: The man riding the giraffe in spec, creating an unusual sight. . . . Frankie Saluto all smiles with his new hat. . . . It's a tie between Rose Alexander and Fanny McCloskey as to who keeps the girls laughing longest and hardest with their jokes. . . . Old timers calmly claiming nobody can do the Mairzy Doats gag like veteran Johnny Tripp, . . . Harold Alzana walking around the Garden on web wires, cables, seat railings and what not, at the beginning of his act. . . . Natalia Tock, Polish ballet dancer, being interviewed on the radio show We, the People. . . . Last-minute orders for buckets, chairs, etc., for living under canvas.-MARY JANE MILLER.

### **CLYDE BEATTY**

(Continued from page 62)

Burnett busy turning out advertising banners. Red Larkin and Ann Simpson were married April 25.

Mel Renick now supervises the gilly wagon in addition to handling ward-Rieta LaPearl bruised her arm and robe, laundry and clowning. Harriett

Aside to Charles Hilderra: We will Clown Jimmy DeCobb is on the play Monterey again.-LAURENCE CROSS.

B. P. Martin and Merle A. Sprague, of CFA, were frequent visitors in Sacramento.

Patsy Kelly, daughter of Greta Kelly, and Roland Natal, son of the Monkey Man, celebrated birthdays. Two new web sitters in the little aerial number are Ross Paul and Alex Konyot.

The California sunshine is agreeing with Chester Sherman's aches and pains.—FREDDIE FREEMAN.

### **Robbins Bros.**

Percena Morris and the Conleys give the local laundryettes a good play.

The Nicklings, bars and trampoline, joined from Hamilton, Ont. They are former members of the Don Clarke Troupe of Canada.

Gladys Gillem and her daughter, Johnnie Wall, and the Nicklings visited the John Pawling Show. Martha Meredith and her mother; Grace Mc-Intosh and her daughter and the Rolandos returned the visit.

Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Meyer, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Morales, Jimmie O'Neil, Jimmie Hetzer, Ed Hillhouse, Leo Loranger, Captain Ferguson, Captain Engrer, the Harters and Virginia Conley's sister and family.

Bayless show's photographer, took plenty of pictures in Portsmouth, O. -JIM CONLEY.

#### COLE BROS.

(Continued from page 62) of the front crew, announces his wedding plans.

Visitors have included Bert and Corinne Dearo, Joe and Ena Lewis, the Hodginis, Mike Wissinger, Lyman Keys; Mr. Gore, of Frankfort, Ind.; Jimmy O'Connor, Mrs. De-Lockte and Mary Ann, Rev. Henry Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Mensmlear, Mr. and Mrs. Grove Nitcham, Pistol Pete and Whitey Haven, Bill Reed Blandon, Paul Lane, Joseph Martin and Ben Davenport .-- SAL-LIE MARLOWE

the only show with an all-night cookhouse.—LUCILLE FRAZIER.



#### The Billboard

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## SALESBOARD SIDELIGHTS

Harlich Manufacturing Company, Chicago, is finding demand for merchandise boards riding high in the upper sales brackets. Sam Feldman, sales manager, says this type number, after its swift uptrend earlier this year, is now holding at a steady order level with all indications pointing to a permanent place in the field for the board.... Thomas A. Walsh, head of Thomas A. Walsh Manufacturing Company, Omaha, is currently covering the Southern territories in a repeat tour. He feels that with board interest up, on-the-spot sales action is a wise move.

Jack Morley, talking as the new v-p in the recently formed Consolidated-Container Corporation, St. Louis, hastens to detail the official line-up of the firm. Jack says that thru an oversight, complete credit was not given in an earlier story of the officers (The Billboard, April 30). In addition to officers mentioned (Max Sax, president; Irv Sax, vice-president in charge of sales; William Stone, vice-president in charge of production, and Morley) Chester Sax carries the title of vicepresident. Jack adds that the current state of optimism in the industry is not just "so much balderdash." "There's plenty of business if you work a bit to get it," he opines.

Secore & Secore, Chicago, is being manned by Mort Secore while Irwin is out contacting the field in Iowa and Nebraska. Firm is adding new representatives to cover Illinois, Iowa and Missouri, in addition to those States reported last week:-Dakotas, Kansas and Nebraska. . . . Triangle Manufacturing Company, Minneapolis, occupied a suite at the Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis, during

the Five-States Music Meet April 25-26.

Gardner & Company, Chicago, continues to report mounting acceptance of its greatly expanded line of new numbers. Currently, a new line of novelty boards adaptable to all territories is ready to be pulled out of the hat. Die-cut seal jackpots are in great demand, according to Gardner officials. Both Charles B. Leedy and Maurie H. Kaye are hitting the territory once more and their field reports coincide; busi-ness is "fine and favorable" they wire.

Superior Products, Chicago, has welcomed back sales manager Robert H. Kolinsky from his Eastern trip. Production is humming along at Superior, it was reported. . . Robert G. McNabb, president of Werts Novelty Company, Inc., Muncie, Ind., relays word that ticket games are still up kite-high on the sales charts. Use of ticket numbers, he says, rounds out an operator's line of boards and is conducive to better play.

Harold Boex, Pioneer Manufacturing Company, Chicago, vice-president, reports that four new boards ing involved will be permanent. were released last week, and are set for prompt delivery. Two of the "newies" are pellets, one of which is the dime play Constellation. Other two boards are 10-cent straight punch type. Harold has just returned from his Kentucky-Ohio trip, and is mulling over road maps for future tours.

Ernest (Ernie) Marley, Kansas City, Mo., comes up with the story of how the B & N Sales Company, Kansas salesboard jobbers, figured in the apprehension of two juvenile coin snatchers. Seems that firm officials, upon finding rolls of pennies and nickels missing from their warehouse office one morning, informed the police. Local bluecoats promptly bagged the junior culprits, who were easily tracked by their penny and nickel spending spree. Crown Products, South Bend, Ind., is another salesboard and jar deal manufacturer to quote rising sales activity in the Southern areas. Crown's Roy Galentine thinks Dixie deliveries will show a steady uptrend in coming months, and to back for accommodation of 900 cars, plus his prediction cites firm's Southern a grandstand for walk-in patrons, route man, Moe Burden, who is turning in reports of top tempo business,

## **ONE-PIECE PRODUCTION**

(Continued from page 49) sider it one of the smaller spokes.

"The rep shows did much to keep the theaters alive, but the main backbone of show business was the onepiece production, such as Robert Downing in Richard, the Lion Hearted; The Gladiator and Virginus; Thomas Keene in Richard III, Joseph Arthur's Blue Jeans and Still Alarm; Lindsey Woolsey, with Edward J. Morgan, Laura Burt and Annie Russell.

"One of the best drawing shows was Sis Hopkins, with Rose Melville, then Dave Levi's Josh Spruceby and Uncle Seth Haskins. Good ones too were The Pinkerton Girl, The Broken-Idol, Tempest and Sunshine, The Cowpuncher and Shadowed by Three, all produced by W. F. Mann. Lincoln J. Carter contributed much with his Heart of Chicago, and Remember the F. and Thomas M. Kerrigan, of Maine. Al Wood produced so many of the old-time melodramas that they'd fill a book. Porter J. White also covered the country in Faust.

"In the past 60 years I have been with most of the above shows. They built show business-and kept it alive. Today we must look to the Little Theaters for any revival."

### **BLOOMFIELD OWNERS**

(Continued from page 49)

The property owners' appeal re-

quests a review of the board proceedings; asks that the court direct the board to deny the application and issue a permanent injunction against the erection and operation of a drivein theater on the location where Maher wants to erect the theater.

In rendering an opinion to the Town Zoning Board of Appeals, the town attorney said that in granting a five-year temporary permit to Maher, it was attempting to exercise a power vested in the Town Plan and Zoning Commission. Case is returnable to the Common Pleas Court the first Tuesday in June.

## **ONE-NIGHTER**

#### (Continued from page 49)

he was jet propelled. I grabbed the saddle horn and yelled for help. The leading man made a mad grab for my horses's bridle. Luckly for us he managed to stop me since the horse was heading for the drugstore which we would have demolished.

When we calmed down, the natives gave us the Bronx cheer, adding that the only thing we saw of Arizona was on the map. By time we got back to the lot the manager jumped on me with both feet. He said that I had ruined the show for tonight and my only comeback at the moment was "Well, better luck tomorrow." That murdered him and he left the lot in disgust.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., May 7.-Paul suburban Frackville, have registered their Hi-Way Drive-In Theater Company in the county office here. The Kerrigans will construct and operate a drive-in under that name on Route 122.

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## **Brittons Plan New Drive-In**

TAMPA, May 7.-Plans for a new \$250,000 drive-in theater here were going ahead this week, with the announcement of purchase of a 221/2acre tract of land on South Dale Mabry Avenue, with work to start immediately.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Britton, who acquired the tract, said plans call which will accommodate 600. Innovations include a children's carnival playground and nursery and nursery service for babies.

The Brittons currently operate the Auto Park Drive-In on the 22d Street causeway.

### Leeper-Smith Merge Interests

DE QUEEN, Ark., May 7 .- Walter Leeper, of this city, and Buster Smith, Horatio, Ark., have begun construction of a new drive-in theater in the northeast section of town. Leeper formerly managed the K. Lee Williams theaters here and Smith has been operating a movie theater at Horatio for the past 15 years. They expect to have the new drive-in open by June 1. It will accommodate over 200 cars and will cost about \$35,000.

### Normandy in Formal Bow

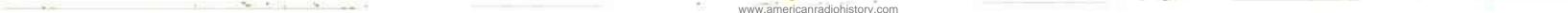
JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 7 .--New Normandy Theater here, with a capacity of over 1,300 automobiles and seats for 440 spectators, held its formal opening April 29. According to C. H. Deavers and Spence Pierce, general manager and manager, respectively, the new twin-screen theater, is one of the largest of its type in the South.

## **Kavel Forms Distrib Firm**

DETROIT, May 7. - Michigan Roadshow Films is being organized here by Peter Kavel, local theater manager, to act as State distributor for roadshow films firm. Firm is taking over distribution of Roshan 16mm. exchanges here.

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## **Board** Meets In Chi, Sets New Program

NCMDA

## Neiman To Handle P-R

CHICAGO, May 7.—In an interim report to the National Coin Machine Distributors' Association's (NCMDA) board of directors in session here this week, Lou Wolcher, president, disclosed that NCMDA's objectives are already having a beneficial influence on the coin machine field as a whole. At the meeting the board approved a long-range promotional and public relations program and retained S. I. Neiman to direct the new activities. The appointment of Lewis Bennett, Chicago attorney, as legal adviser, was confirmed by the board at the same session.

Wolcher told the board that two of the industry's major amusement game manufacturers were co-operating with NCMDA's original platform and there was every indication that the remaining game producers would add their stamps of approval in the (See NCMDA BOARD on page 120)

## Notice

NEW YORK, May 7 .-- If you ordered mail-order cigarettes from an ad that ran in The Billboard and other publications from September to December, 1948, and never got them because the advertiser went bankrupt, here's how to get your money back. A single company was represented by the three whose names were used in the ad: Popular Mail Service, Allison Tobacco Company and Reliable Mail Order Company, all of Wilmington, Del. PThis firm went into bankruptcy February 4, 1949. If your money was received by the firm on or before that date, file a claim with William Cahil, referee in bankruptcy, Federal Building, Newark, N. J., before May 18. If the firm received your money later than February 4, orders will be filled and shipped at some later date.

## **Export Sales Continue** To Decline; Only 490 Units Shipped in Feb.

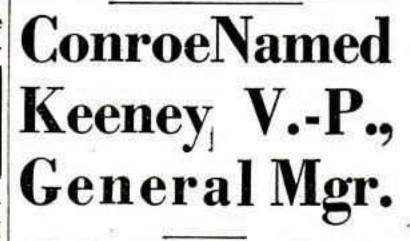
## Dollar Total: \$111,995; Average Prices Spotty

U. S. Department of Commerce. For the previous month the total reported was \$201,728 and \$234,358 for February a year ago. The February total was also the smallest monthly dollar figure recorded in two years, when the first of a series of bans were imposed on non-essential imports by countries in South America, the Far East and Canada.

In February, 490 machines were

Havana Arcades **Report Biz Good** 

WASHINGTON, May 7 .- Finally | shipped to overseas coinmen, includreflecting the impact of partial and ing 203 coin phonographs, 104 vendcomplete embargoes in effect in sev- ers and 183 amusement games, a eral countries which have been sharp drop from the 797 exported in heavy buyers of U.S. made coin ma- January and less than a third of the chines, total dollar exports dropped February, 1948, unit total. Cuba, to \$111,995 during February, accord- Mexico and Colombia accounted for ing to latest figures released by the almost half the dollar total. Cuban coinmen spent \$21,531 for 47 jukes, 55 venders and 40 games. Mexico's \$14,821 for 52 phonos and 38 pinballs represented the second best dollar total. Colombia concentrated on music machines, purchased 49 for \$13,589. The Union of South Africa accounted for but four games worth (See EXPORT SALES on page 120)



## **Coin Flickers Going Big in D. C. Arcades**

## **Color Reels Popular**

WASHINGTON, May 7.—The dime movie machines in local arcades have broken out in technicolor recently, and grosses are rising in an amazing fashion. Now operating in the downtown area of the nation's capital are seven arcades, with only one having less than 10 machines. Two have already imported color films, and the others are expected to follow suit.

The trend in the local arcades in recent months has been to move out the comparatively slow arcade devices in favor of the high-gross flickers. Even pinball games are beginning to fall victim to the trend.

Solo-vues and Panorams are the most common flicker machines, and they have been converted so that only one person at a time can watch the films.

#### **Color Spurs Coins**

Black and white films have been doing well in Washington for the past two years, but the recent introduction of colors is spurring the flow of dimes. Operators report that the color films are a nuisance because they break quickly but that they are so popular it is worth while to keep a splicer on hand to make hasty repairs.

Thus far only girls are featured on the films, usually on the strip theme. Under a recent local court ruling, films of that type were banned from the mails but the express companies deliver them. Operators say that sports simply don't go on the ma-chines. Baseball and boxing films have been used from time to time but have been quickly withdrawn.

CHICAGO, May 7.-A. E. Tregenza, executive vice-president of Mills Industries, Inc., announced the appointment this week of Robert A. Hoagland as vice-president and general sales manager. Hoagland will supervise all sales and promotion for all divisions of the company.

**Rob't Hoagland** 

**Appointed Mills** 

V.-P., Sales Mgr.

For the past eight years Hoagland Electric Company, Bellwood, Ill., where he was vice-president and sales manager.

HAVANA, May 7 .- The new licensing law for amusement game machines here is now in effect, covering more than 50 arcades located in the center of the city. Managers of the arcades expressed themselves as more than pleased with the results they are obtaining.

The new regulation bars minors was an executive with the Jefferson under 14 from play. Coinmen here say they have noticed no appreciable decrease in their business because of the restriction.

**Coin Industry Helps Sicking Observe Golden Anniversary At Big Three-Day Celebration** 

## Goldberg, Marmer Honored at Fete in Cincy Plant

distributors rolled into this city by week-end to help Sicking, Inc., headed by President Ben Goldberg and Vice-President and General Manager Bill Marmer, celebrate its golden anniversary in newly decorated and refurbished headquarters at 1401 Central Parkway. Event, which got under way at 9 a.m. yesmorning, will follow that pattern out the three-day fete. daily thru Sunday (8).

A varied entertainment program kept activities rolling at a high pitch the initial two days. At press time indications were that the third day would even surpass, from a conviviality standpoint, that which permeated the forepart of the celebration and bring it to a fitting climax. Those in attendance the first two days indicated that they were ready to return to partake of the hospitality dished up by mine hosts, Ben Gold- chain and pencil combinations.

CINCINNATI, May 7 .- Coin ma- tribute to two of the industry's leadchine operators, manufacturers and ing executives, who took over active management of the Sicking firm in train, plane and automobile this 1930 at the time of the death of its founder, Barney Sicking, who had operated the company from its inception in 1895.

The new Sicking building, six stories high, with some 48,000 feet of floor space, was attractively decked out for the celebration. Refreshments and food flowed from a speterday and continued until early this cially constructed bar and grille thru-

Goldberg and Marmer also set up a shuttle service to greet train and plane arrivals and to facilitate travel to and from hotels and plant. Coming in for much comment were the special souvenirs, all bearing the golden anniversary theme, for visiting coinmen and their wives. The male contingent was presented with gold tie clasp and pencil combination and miniature coin banks, while the distaff side was tendered key berg and Bill Marmer, and to pay (See Sicking Observes page 126)

## **Up Cig Vender Production**

CHICAGO, May 7. - John S. Conroe, who has been in charge of cigarette vending machine production and sales at J. H. Keeney & Company. this week was named vice-president and general manager of the Keeney firm. Conroe will take over the position formerly held by Bill Ryan, who recently resigned from Keeney to return to O. D. Jennings & Company.

Conroe, after the announcement of his promotion was made, revealed that Keeney had doubled production



JOHN S. CONROE

of its electric cigarette vender, and that new amusement machine developments will be revealed shortly, thus approximating a full-scale production program at the firm. Conroe further added there would be no changes in the company's distributor sales structure.

Joining Keeney in 1943 as materials control manager, Conroe was elected a vice-president in charge of the cigarette vender division in 1947, the post he held when elevated to the general managership this week.

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Global Treaty May Hit Juke Ops

## **New Engineering Director**

NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y., May 7.-Following the elevation of Ray C. Haimbaugh, general manager of the Rudolph Wurlitzer plant here, to the post of vice-president last week, the firm has announced the appointment of Fred H. Osborne as director of engineering. Osborne's appointment

At Wurlitzer NORTH LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 7.—"To pay or not to pay" is the tax poser facing juke box op-erators here, as city fathers were jolted to a halt in their \$5 per machine levy collections this week with the discovery there was no ordinance authorizing such a license fee.

> H. O. Flake, privilege tax collector, said he had collected the fee from "a number of operators" before the lack of legal backing was discovered. Now, officialdom here is in an uncomfortable position trying to determine what do do about the tax, and what to do with the money already collected. City Attorney W. E. Phipps declared that "he had not looked into the matter sufficiently to give an opinion."

> Percy Machin, city clerk, joined in the debate with the statement that he believed the tax was authorized by State law, altho he knows of no city ordinance covering it.

> Mayor Lawhon, in a move to settle the tax debate, declared that he would have the city attorney draw up an ordinance for presentation at the next city council meeting, authorizing such a levy.

# Name Osborne Taint Legal, Report N. Little Rock Ops As City Takes Tax Meeting in Paris in July; Anti - Juke Provision Seen

**MUSIC MACHINES** 

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## Final Draft, Ratification Still Several Years Away

Cultural Organization (UNESCO) A new attempt to force jukes to pay a global pact. royalties on disks, it appears, will be made a major effort of the treaty drafters.

The first step in the drafting of a world-wide treaty is to be taken at a conference of copyright experts to be held in Paris in July. One of the experts invited to attend is John Schulman, counsel for the Songwriters Protective Association, which was one of the groups advocating passage of the Scott bill at the last session. The State Department, which kept an anti-juke provision out of the Inter-American Copyright Convention, may be inclined to drop its opposition this time. State officials

Florida Broadcasters Help

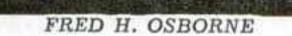
WASHINGTON, May 7 .- The most | have made it clear that they opposed serious copyright threat to the juke the provision last time only because box industry since the Scott bill is it was counter to the U.S. copyright shaping up in the preparation of a law. In the interest of world harglobal copyright treaty by the United mony, it is considered likely now Nations Educational, Sociological and that the State Department will make no protest to a licensing provision in

#### **Evans'** Viewpoint

Certain to be a key U. S. figure in gobal copyright considerations is Luther Evans, chief of the Library of Congress, with jurisdiction over the Copyright Office. In a recent speech, Evans declared: "With reference to the juke box exemption, I consider it an anomaly and an accident. I have already gone on record for its repeal."

In the event of the ratification of a global pact containing a provision, subjecting jukes to copyright requirements, the provision would take precedence over the Copyright Act of 1909, which exempts jukes.

It is entirely possible that jukes would be considered liable only for the payment of fees under music copyrights owned by a foreigner, but the probability is that the pact would Ops Fight Coin Radio Tax be followed by legislation to bring the Copyright Act in line with its provisions. Fortunately for the juke box operators, such eventualities are at least a couple of years in the future. The July UNESCO confab is expected to come forth with little more than a preliminary draft of a treaty to be worked out at a later date. Once the pact is in final shape, it must be ratified by the various countries of the world.



was announced by Haimbaugh, whom he succeeds. In his new post, Osborne will be responsible for the development, designing and engineering of all Wurlitzer products manufactured here.

Osborne joined the Wurlitzer or-



#### R. C. HAIMBAUGH

ganization in 1935 and was named chief mechanical engineer in 1939, a post he held until 1948 when he was named chief engineer of the, entire plant. Prior to his association with Wurlitzer, Osborne held administrative engineering positions with several large manufacturers of electric controls and electro-mechanical devices.

Osborne holds 28 patents, many of which are incorporated in Wurlitzer products. He has been active in the development of the firm's four organ and three coin-operated phonograph models, as well as related accessories for both lines.

The Billboard

"nothing more than a nuisance tax and serves no useful purpose," J. Kenneth Ballinger, of the Florida is considering a Senate proposal to place an occupational and a per-machine tax on coin radio sets.

In a formal statement to the Legis-(a coin radio tax) interferes in a public entertainment. product that has been finally and and would simply penalize the in- the bill unfavorably."

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., May 7 .- A stallation of coin-operated radio retax on coin-operated radios is ceiving sets in hotels and apartment houses.

"The proposed tax on Florida coin radios may be the entering wedge in an attempt to stifle the expansion Association of Broadcasters, told the of radio and television by a series of Florida State Legislature. The House just such punitive taxes. If this bill is passed, the next step can be a similar tax on any radio receiving set or a tax on any installation of television if any group wants to lature, this week Ballinger said, "It prevent the spread of this type of

"Since the bill serves no useful definitely held to be a part of inter- revenue purpose and simply adds a state commerce, and I think could be burden to a growing industry, we successfully attacked on that ground respectfully urge that the House comalone. It is not a revenue measure mittee on finance and taxation report

**MOA Plans National Confab** 

#### **Okay Takes Time**

In view of the fact that UNESCO is a United Nations baby, it will be difficult for the Senate to refuse to ratify a treaty drawn up by the international group. At the same time, treaty ratification is a timeconsuming procedure.

As far as the U.S. is concerned, the pact must first secure the approval (See Global Treaty on page 100)

See Mùsic Dept. for This Info

Among the stories of interest to the coin machine industry to be found in the Music Department of this issue of The Billboard are:

CHEAP LABELS' BIG VOLUME DRAWS NAMES. Because of the huge coverage on songs, artists are anxious to make hit-song recordings for small labels.

WAXERIES VIE FOR "PACIFIC" PLATTER LEADERSHIP. All major diskeries, with the exception of MGM, have cut at least eight sides from the legiter.

NEW TWIST IN RECORD DISTRIBBING. Two companies issue same tunes under different tags.

CROSBY RECORDS FOR DECCA. During a five-day session, Der Bingle is skedded to cut 24 sides for the diskery.

KING RECORDS INKS LUCAS ORK AND PRIME. New Carroll Lucas band is signed for recording dates; singer Harry Prime is also added to ranks.

And other informative news stories as well as the Honor Roll of Hits, pop charts and the new Billboard feature—a page devoted to new merchandising and mechanical developments in the businessthe Radio-TV-Phono Section.

**August Meet** Set To Mull **Op Problems** 

## Juke Mfrs. To Show

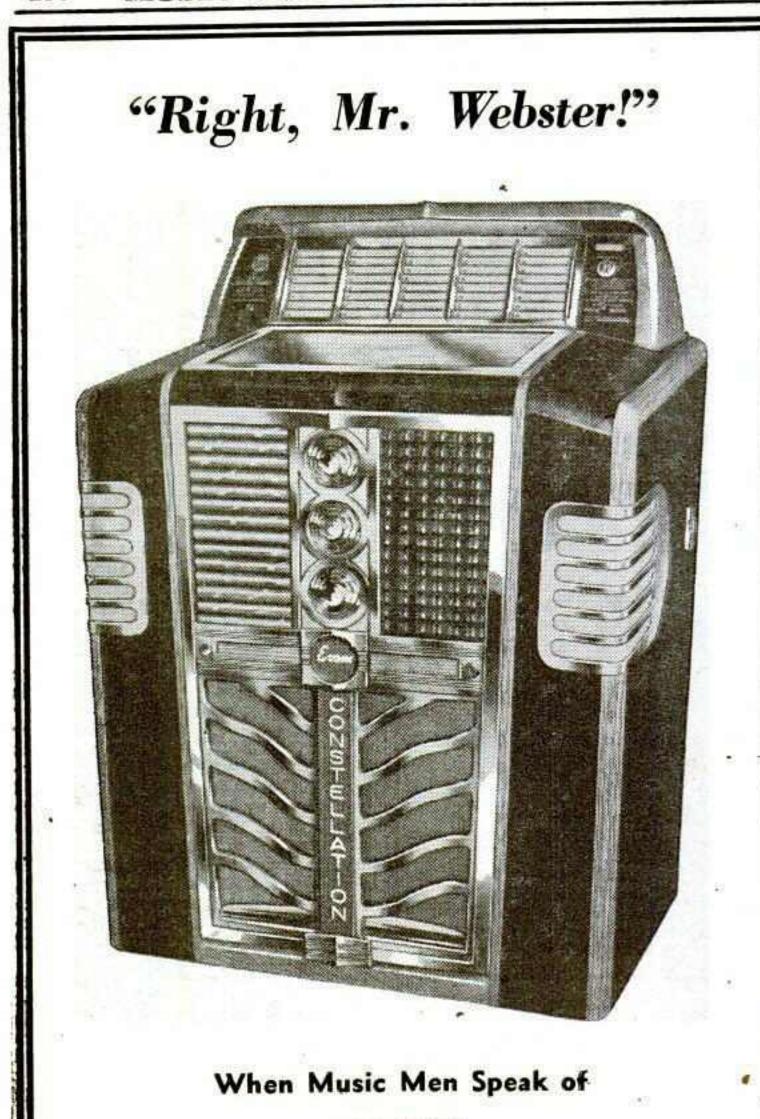
NEW YORK, May 7 .- The Music Operators of America (MOA) is working out details for a nationwide meeting, limited exclusively to those in the automatic music machine business, at which industry problems will be taken up in detail and at which juke box manufacturers, record producers and other industry suppliers (See MOA to Mull on page 100)



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## MOA To Mull Ops' Problems At August Meet

#### (Continued from page 99) will be invited to exhibit.

The meet, set tentatively for August, will run for two or three days, according to Sidney H. Levine, MOA attorney. The exact time and place still remain to be determined, with operators now being polled to learn their preferences. The city chosen will be one most accessible to most of operators planning to attend.

While the agenda of the meeting is still not entirely worked out, it was indicated that among the points to be discussed will be the organizational make-up under which the MOA will operate in the future. To date the MOA has functioned as a committee composed of representatives of regional operator associations, as well as of executives of leading independent routes. It has concerned itself largely with problems of national scope affecting the automatic music industry.

#### **Org** Tightened?

Altho it is not the intention of MOA leadership to replace regional groups, it is understood that MOA brass has been mulling over the advisability of tightening its organization into association status. At this year's Coin Machine Institute convention, the group appointed a committee to consider the question and submit recommendations to the membership at large. Committee members, including Dick Schneider, Chicago, chairman; Elmer Comforti, Wisconsin; Irving Ackerman, Michigan; Mike Imig, South Dakota, and Fred Erisman, Texas, will report their findings at the August confab. George Miller, of California, is MOA chairman, with Al Denver, of this city, as vice-chairman.

Levine disclosed that an attempt may be made at the meet to arrive



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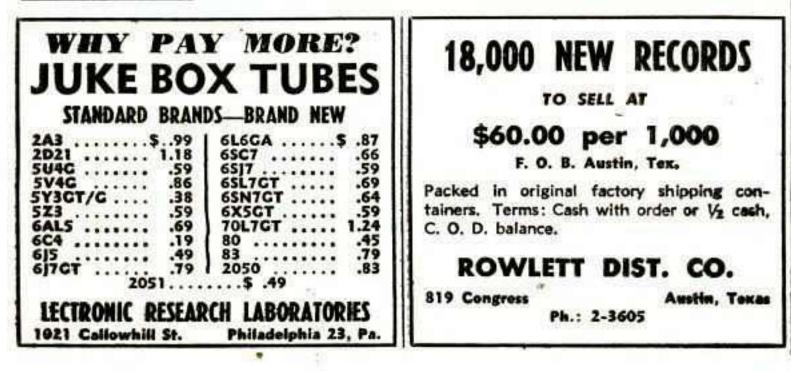
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at a fair depreciation rate for equipment which could then be urged for national adoption. Uniform depreciation of music machines thruout the country may act as a stabilizing factor in the industry, he asserted. This may be of special importance in periods of reduced operator income.

Other points to be taken up will include the extent of competition by free commercial television to juke take, in areas where video has just penetrated as well as in regions where it is well established, and a report on the status of national legislation of concern to the industry.

## Global Treaty May Hit Juke Operators

(Continued from page 99) of the State Department and the President. Then it must be sent to the Senate by the President with a recommendation for its ratification. The Senate, in turn, must then hand the treaty over to the Foreign Relations Committee for consideration and probable public hearings. If approved by a majority of the committee, the pact would proceed to the Senate floor where it would require approval by two-thirds of the Senate. As is the case of all treaties, the House will have no part in the ratification of a copyright pact.

Similar procedure is required in most other countries, altho Latin American nations manage to expedite ratifications of copyright treaties.



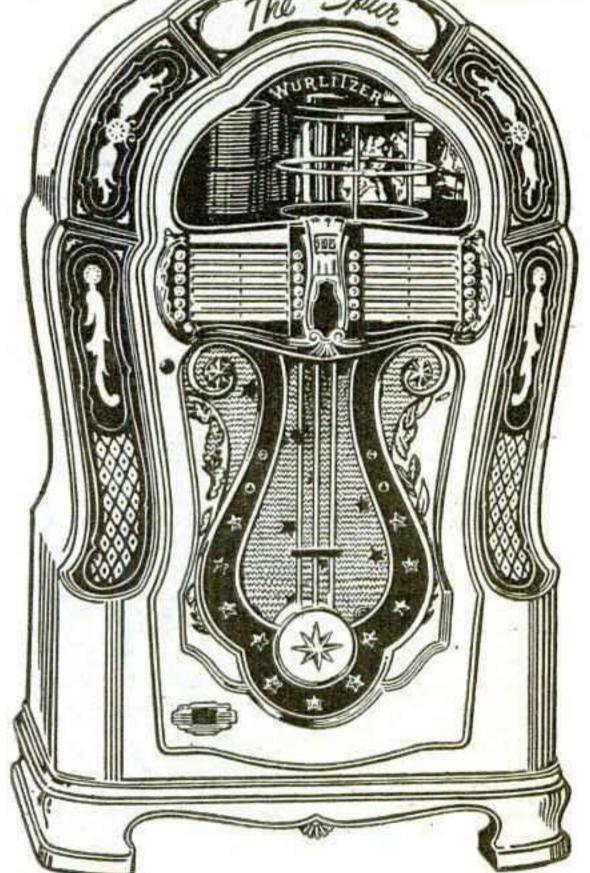
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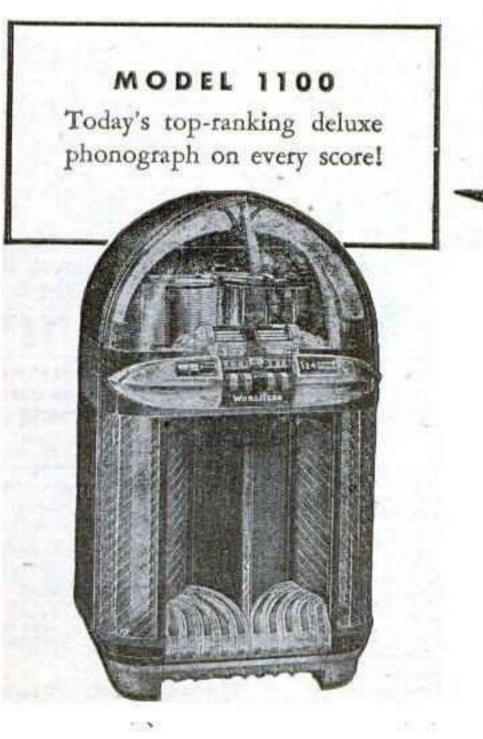
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## **Cleveland Goes All-Out on May Hit Tune Plugs**

CLEVELAND, May 7 .- With the snowballing popularity of the new hit-tune-of-the-month, Don't Tell My Heart, selected for May promotion by five State associations during the Five-State Phonograph Operators' Convention in Minneapolis last month, local promotion of the song is now in full swing. Written by Gertrude Cohen, wife of Jack Cohen, president of the Cleveland and Ohio State Music associations, the tune is now in the No. 1 position on the 3,000 juke boxes here and in machines in North and South Dakota, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Cincinnati and Detroit.

Latest promotion here is that by the Skotach-Habat polka band, Decca recording group, who are dedicating their Thursday (12) half-hour program, Tune Mixers, over Station WSRS to Mrs. Cohen and her song. The band will feature the first new arrangement of the tune since it was recorded by the Buddy Kaye quintet on the MGM label. In addition, disk jockey Howie Lund will interview Mrs. Cohen during the program.

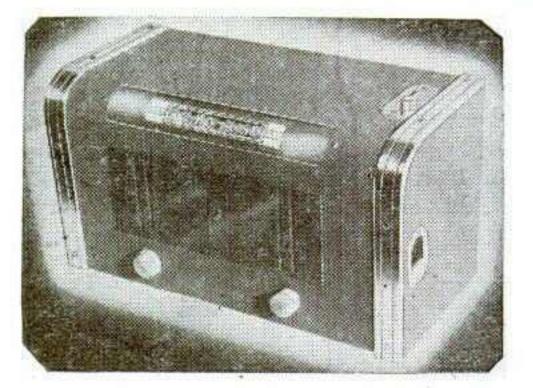
**Kostakes in New Offices** CHARLOTTE, N. C., May 7 .--George Kostakes, who owns the Kostakes Novelty Company, this week announced the firm had moved to new and larger quarters at 209 East Park Avenue, Charlotte. Kostakes, who handles coin-operated phonographs, will also maintain a stock of 15,000 records in his new location, functioning as a distributor of both records and equipment.

### **Dean Traxler Dies**

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April 21, following a long illness. Traxler had been associated with the needle company for more than 10 years. Funeral services were held from the First Methodist Church in Evanston April 24.



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## Minn. Cig Ops Cincy Dairy Intros 8-Flavor Deep in New Tax Muddle

## **Report Sharp Biz Drop**

ST. PAUL, May 7.—Operators with cigarette venders still were trying to pull themeslves out of the muddle of tax problems caused by the increase of the Minnesota cigarette levy from 3 to 4 cents per pack.

An effort to pass on the tax to consumers, tried by some operators, is boomeranging, with sales falling off sharply, according to reports.

Locations, which have been asked to give up their commissions so that the operator may absorb the increase without passing it onto the consumer are balking at the idea and a few have asked that the machines be removed.

"We have been hit hardest of anyone by this added nuisance tax," Leroy Johnson, of the Canteen Company of Minnesota and president of the Minnesota Automatic Merchandisers' Association, declared. "Counter sales of cigarettes have gone up to 21 cents per package, but we're faced with the problem of either charging a quarter and pennying the packs with 4 cents each, or absorbing the cost ourselves.

"If ever there was a discriminatory (See New Tax Muddle on page 108)

CINCINNATI, May 7.-Cedar Hill day showing will be held. Place and Farms, Inc., largest local dairy, has announced final marketing and de- Huheey stated. sign details of its 8-flavor milk-soft drink vender. George Huheey, sales manager, said that the unit, called Dari-Mart, under development for nine years, has been thoroly locationtested and is in production at the rate of 10 units a day. The price, which will be determined within the next week, "will be under \$500," he said. Manufactured for Cedar Hill Farms

by Cincinnati Metalcraft Corporation, a firm experienced in coin equipment across the front of the vender. It production, the new carton-bottle occupies a floor space of 30 by 41 vender will shortly be produced at the rate of 20 per day, Huheey disclosed. Sales will be made direct by Cedar Farms to operators in some areas, with distributors to be appointed for others.

#### Sked Chi Show

**Auto-Vend Resumes Output;** Has 5-10c Conversion Kit

DALLAS, May 7 .- Roy M. Cress-1 state. During the past 60 days, a well, president of Auto-Vend, Inc., general increase in shipments of announced this week that full pro- popped corn has been noted, they duction of the "Pop" Corn Sez vender has been resumed after making deliveries out of stock since last fall. The 1949 models feature a new and changed.

date will be announced next week,

The Dari-Mart vender is a manually operated unit with gravity feed, and features second delivery, wide selectivity (8 flavors), rapid loading and easy cleaning. Insertion of a coin (5 to 15-cent operation will be offered) in the ABT coin unit, mounted outside the right hand side of the cabinet, will enable patron to open any one (but only one) of the eight glass-fronted delivery doors inches. Loading and cleaning is done thru the top.

#### Capacity

Capacity of the eight vending tracks is 80 (10 bottles or cartons in each). Storage space for an additional 300 is provided. Present model will ac-First trade presentation of the ma- commodate the square Ex-cello carchine will be made in a Chicago ton, in the 8 ounce, 1/3 quart, 12 or 16 hotel within two weeks when a three- (See Cincy Dairy Vender on page 104)

# How To Hypo Hot-Weather Profit SummerRoute Tips Told in **Vend for May**

## **Covers All Operations**

CHICAGO, May 7 .- How the operator can do more business, make a greater profit and operate more efficiently during the summer months is the theme of the "hot weather" May issue of Vend, out this week .-Covering all types of operations (candy, drink, bulk, ice cream, cigarette) a series of 20 "When Summer Comes" tips lead off the issue with summer-tailored feature articles on candy, milk and other routes.

Additional features deal with development of seasonal type locations, such as amusement parks, pools, drive-in theaters and playgrounds, and describe how to increase employee efficiency by cooling workshop and offices without installing highcost air-conditioning equipment.

Spotlighting a few of the capsule summer-operation tips: Start With The Milkman is advanced as a wise move by operators carrying chocolate bars thru the season; Keep Schedules Elastic suggests fine-combing routes with servicing conditions peculiar to summer in mind (as closed schools, drop-off in bowling alley patronage, etc.) when such locations (See Tips on Operation on page 104)

## **Space for NAMA** Meet 60% Sold; heavier switch assembly, a glossier, harder finish; the price remains un-See SRO by July

CHICAGO, May 7 .- With 60 per cent of exhibit space already sold for its 1949 convention and show, the National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA) expects to dispose of all remaining space by July 1. The show will be held in Atlantic City November 27-30.

The report on space sales came following a meeting here Monday (2) of convention chairman George M. Seedman and members of the Chicago Convention Advisory Committee. At the meeting were W. H. Bailey, Diamond Match Company; William Fishman, Automatic Merchandising Company; Fred Steffens, Walter Johnson Candy Company; and NAMA staff members C. S. Darling, Tom Hungerford, Bernard Osmond and June Kay.

Osmond, a former Chamber of (See Space for NAMA on page 108)



AMES, Ia., May 7.-Billy Rhoades, blind candy and peanut operator here, found his faith in human nature, and in vender patrons in particular, soaring to new heights this Rhoades received an week. anonymous letter containing a \$10 bill, which was mailed from Detroit.

The letter read: "About two years ago I accidentally broke a peanut machine of yours. I felt very badly about this but could not pay for it then. I can now; so enclosed is \$10. I hope it covers the cost."

Rhoades said he wished the sender had signed his name so he could thank him.

Cresswell declared that when production was halted last year, a 2,000 machine inventory had been built up. week, he stated that the initial schedule calls for 50 units a day, five days a week.

With more than 32,000 of its popcorn venders in the field, Auto-Vend's two popping plants, "Pop" the Sun Puft Popcorn Company, of

Both plants continue the said. freight prepaid shipping policy.

#### 5 Vs. 10c Operation

Commenting on dime versus nickel operation, Cresswell said that while the 5-cent price is the rule in Texas, and in the New Orleans and Baltimore areas, the dime peg prevails in all other sections of the country. The scarcity of dimes as high-circula-With resumption of production this tion coins prohibit the use of 10-cent mechanisms in most parts, he declared.

Auto-Vend continues to offer nickel mechanisms for the benefit of operators in such areas, according to Cresswell. Provision has also been Corn Sez, Inc., of Pennsylvania and made for easy conversion of venders to 5-cent operation, with conversion Florida, have been operating at full kits for either nickel or dime operacapacity supplying operators, officials tion available for immediate delivery.

## **Pepsi Prexy Predicts Cup** Vending Biz Will Increase

Walter S. Mack, president of Pepsi-Cola Company, told stockholders at the annual meeting Wednesday (4) that there are 3,000 to 4,000 Pepsi-Cola cup vending machines now in service with many more being engineered and tooled.

Cup machine business, he predicted, "will grow slowly and will be an economical way of selling the soft drink." However, he said, "it won't replace the bottle for home use or on-premises consumption."

For the latter purpose, Mack said, an eight-ounce bottle retailing at 5 cents is being introduced in many territories, while the familiar 12ounce bottle is selling at 6 cents. The increase, he said, is being made because of increased costs.

#### **Election Results**

Four of Pepsi-Cola's major bottlers were nominated for directorships at the meeting but failed of election. Arthur Hardgrave, Chicago, and J. W. Gerhardt, Wichita, Kan., each received 20,526 votes, and Julius Dar- (See Pepsi Prexy Predicts, page 105)

WILMINGTON, Del., May 7 .- sky, Akron, and Pearl F. Whiteraft, St. Louis, each 18,834. The difference represented support given to Margaret L. Durr, of Washington, by a group of stockholders led by Lewis D. Gilbert, of New York, who pointed ing would greatly aid the bottlers in securing minority representation on the board. Gilbert suggested that the bottlers' group should use the operator has the right to remove a proxy statement for cumulative voting next year if they sincerely desire to secure representation in an equitable manner.

> William B. Forsythe, a vice-president of the company, was elected a director, receiving the votes of 4,237,778 shares. Of the management candidates who were re-elected, Walter S. Mack Jr., president, and Alfred N. Steele each received 4,239,570; Mortimer Hays, 4,238,967; Herbert M. Singer, James W. Carkner and Walter W. Colpitts, each 4,237,942; Harral S. Tenney, 4,237,625, and Albert E. Winger, 4,236,753.

## **Air-Conditioned** Hair Dryer Made **Available to Ops**

DETROIT, May 7.-Consolidated Productions, of this city, is setting up distributors to handle its Penquin hair dryer with a coin chute attached. The dryer, formerly sold directly to beauty parlors without the coin chute attachments, has been tested with coin operation in Boston, Hartford and Detroit, Jack Ross, firm official, reported this week. Following completion of the tests, several distributors were named, while others will be signed within the coming weeks.

The Washington Novelty Company, Washington, was appointed by Consolidated Productions to distribute the unit in the District, while Telecoin, New York, will handle the unit in that area.

#### Front Money

Consolidated has worked out a special location contract for operators who will handle the Penquin unit. The operator will receive \$25 front money, then the balance on a predetermined commission basis. Too, the proposed contract will constitute out that adoption of cumulative vot- a lease with the location, stating that the shop will keep the machine on location for a set length of time. Under the terms of the contract, the machine from a location if the machine does not earn enough to cover the front money, unless the location desires to make up he difference.

Ross said that in at least one instance, the location made up the difference between the \$18 in the coin box, and the \$25 front money in order to keep the dryer in the shop.

#### Price Tag

Rose stated that while the firm preferred to sign distributors who were also operators, so that the units could be placed in cities as fast as possible, the fact that a distributor was not an operator would not preclude an (See New Hair Dryer on page 105)



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## **Tips on Operation of Summer Routes Revealed in May Vend**

(Continued from page 103) or installations in the immediate area will cater to less traffic. Other summer tips include Pick the Best Spot, which stresses use of outdoor installations where feasible (in service stations, for instance, outdoor positioning of a unit can up sales by 40 per cent). Keep on the Move is another tip slanted toward the serviceman. If a particular machine needs time-consuming work on location, pass it up and return later when other merchandise which might spoil in the heat has been delivered and the truck is

empty.

A detailed feature story deals with how one firm evolved and used its own low-cost dry-ice truck cooler unit during the summer months and effected a 30 per cent increase in business over the proverbially slack season. Another article explains how a milk operation can increase its summer business by approximately 20 per cent with little change in its year-round operating routine. How to make use of low cost cooling equipment to make office and shop employees more efficient when the mercury climbs, describing where, how, what type to install, is the subject of a third article. Other features also deal with summer servicing.

During the past few years, operators have become more aggressive in soliciting and servicing warmweather locations, and it is with this trend in mind that the May Vend devotes its pages to furthering the summer profit picture in all phases of automatic merchandising. For a full treatment of summer operating problems, and their suggested solutions, interested operators will find the current Vend a store-house of practical ideas.

## **CINCY DAIRY VENDER**

(Continued from page 103)

ounce size. Vending tracks to dispense standard size bottles and cans will be available shortly.

Each of the eight vending tracks are parallel, facing the delivery doors, and are inclined at a 30-degree angle to permit uninterrupted gravity feed.

Finished in garnet red with yellow stripes and a black base, with aluminum doors, the vender will be delivered with the name of the operator's company silk-screened across the front. Huheey stated this would not add to the unit's cost, other than the price of the original silk-screen itself.

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OTTAWA, May 7 .- Following the recent removal of the 20 per cent government excise tax on chocolate and candy (The Billboard, May 7), a decline in retail prices has been noted. Chocolate bars now go for 7 cents instead of the former 8 cents, and it is expected that with further readjustments in line with the tax removal, bar prices will drop to a nickel.

Canadian candy vender operators look for a boost in sales as a result.



## Can. Removes Tax; | Futuramic Starts Candy Prices Down Delivery on New **Koffee King Unit**

NEW YORK, May 7.-The first "substantial" shipment of Koffee Kings, the new coin-operated coffee venders produced by Futuramic Machines, Inc., moved out of the firm's Bronx plant this week, it was reported by Frank Q. Doyle, sales manager. Most of the units went to operators in the Midwest, he said, with a sample order going to Hawaii.

He declared that production models of the Koffee King have been improved to provide a seven-second delivery cycle. The 1,000-cup machine lists at \$695, f.o.b. this city The firm recently established showroom and office facilities at 20 East 35th Street (The Billboard, April 23).

With sales of the vender to be handled largely by direct company representatives, Doyle has named George J. Young to cover the Eastern Seaboard, Jack G. Chalcraft for the Southeast, Neal Deimling and Ralph Rigdon for the Central States and Aubrey Stemler for the West. Lee Doble will be salesman at large. Fred Benedikt has been appointed to cover the New York area.

## **Tenn. Self-Service Gas Station Faces** Shutdown Ruling

NASHVILLE, May 7.-Legality of self-service gasoline station operation in Tennessee is raised in an appeal of a local station owner to the State insurance and banking commissioner after he was ordered to close by the State fire marshal.

H. A. Kimbrough, a State deputy fire marshal, who issued the closing order, told the proprietor that State regulations prohibited self-service stations. M. O. Allen, State insurance and banking commissioner, said a 1947 regulation does prohibit such a station being operated, but that the place in question was the only one of its kind in the State and that the regulation had never been enforced. Allen took the case under advisement, stating that the station could continue to operate until a ruling is handed down.

## Match This

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, May 7.-A local engineer has developed a match that can be used 100 times. The match, pegged as a rival for automatic lighters, went on sale this week. It is four inches long and somewhat thicker than the ordinary one-strike match. It utilizes a newly discovered chemical, it was reported.

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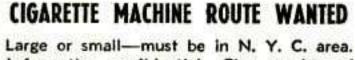
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#### PEPSI PREXY PREDICTS (Continued from page 103)

In the first four months of 1949, Mack said, domestic sales were down about 15 per cent or 16 per cent and, altho foreign sales improved during the period, net sales were off around 7 or 8 per cent. In answer to a question by Gilbert, Mack pointed out that Pepsi is going thru a "transition stage" and raising prices on account of costs.

Answering another question by Arthur Driscoll, a large stockholder, who was chief counsel when the late Charles G. Guth headed Pepsi, Mack said that the company "is and prob-ably always will be in the sugar business." We have not had an offer sufficiently interesting to sell the Cuban sugar properties," he declared.

## **NEW HAIR DRYER**

(Continued from page 103) agreement if the manufacturer felt the distributor was the best one for the territory.

At the present the unit lists for \$395 to the distributor, with a \$550 list to the operator. Production on the machines is being increased to meet increased orders.

The unit is shipped in two pieces, and can be assembled in a matter of minutes by merely inserting three screws into the base of the neck. Dryer is made of cast aluminum, and can be serviced by removing only four screws.

Joe O'Conner is president of Consolidated Productions, and A. Louis O'Conner Jr., is vice-president.

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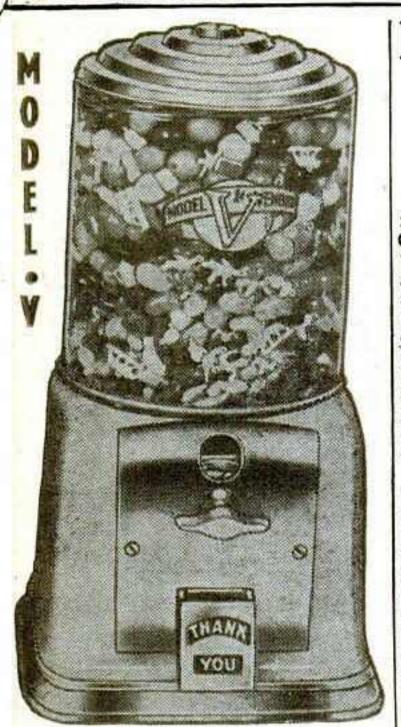
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STOI W. CRAND AVE. CHICAGO 39. ILL.

## Don Mfg. Corp. **Start Delivery On Shoeshiner**

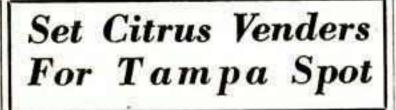
SAN FRANCISCO, May 7 .- The newly organized Don Manufacturing Corporation here announced this week that initial deliveries of its automatic shoeshiner have been made, and that a distributor network is in the process of being set up. Joseph Feigin, president, and Frank Adams, vice-president, also report that their firm has just purchased the sales and manufacturing rights for the Douglas Bowling Ball Cleaner. Unit will list for approximately \$600 and be available in about 90 days.

Adams, who has been identified with the coin-operated shoeshine field since 1929, declared the new Don shoeshiner, developed after a nationwide survey last year, includes "what the operator has wanted" in a coin shoeshine unit. The machine, listing for \$289.50 (\$249.50 for five or more) polishes black and tan shoes, using a liquid polish. It will be sold on a time payment plan (when 10 or more units are purchased) with the firm financing its own paper.

#### Weighs 140 Pounds

The shoeshiner is shipped with one quart each of black and brown liquid polish, Adams stated. Machine weighs 140 pounds; has a steel cabinet 24 inches long, 19 inches deep and 50 inches high. It operates on a nickel for one minute and 40 seconds, with both sides operable at the same time. The patron may apply additional polish by pressing a button; each side (black and tan) has one polish applicator brush, one polish spreader brush and one yarn (polishing) brush. All working parts are guaranteed for a year.

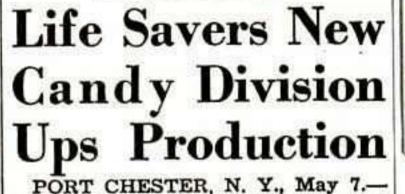
Company policy, on the shoeshine and bowling ball units, is to grant exclusive territories to operators and distributors, Adams said.



TAMPA, May 7.—First of 25 citrus juice venders to be placed in this city was set up in the courthouse here last week. Unit, provided by the Snively Vending & Sales Company, dispenses citrus drinks at a nickel.

R. W. Johnson, inventor of the Snively machine and vice-president of the distributing firm, stated that the second unit will be placed in the city hall, with others to be located in hotels and various business houses. Operation of the venders in the two

public buildings will be in charge of the Florida Council for the Blind.



Life Savers Corporation's recently formed candy bar division, Highland Candy, Inc., Elizabeth, N. J., was reported this week as approaching full production on the Scoop nickel bar. With approximately \$350,000 invested in the new candy business, Life Savers is also expanding its facilities here by 13 per cent, and completing arrangements to manufacture and sell its products in Mexico, according to Edward J. Noble, chairman of the board of directors.

The candy subsidiary, which began production in February and made initial delivery of the new bar March 10, is headed by W. A. Goebel.

Reporting on Life Savers earnings, Noble stated that net sales in 1948 set a record of \$13,066,523, returning a net income of \$2,531,692. In 1947, firm's net sales were \$12,283,501, with a net income of \$2,636,839.



Price.....\$59.00

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Whiri-a-Ball ..... 19.50

IT'S NEW

HAVANA, May 7.- A total of 26 grinding and producing 3,280,421 bags of sugar, compared with 4,310,304 bags processed at the same date last of Agriculture.

## Sugar News

ABT "SKILL GUN"

NEW

COLUMBIA

BELLS

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Vest Pocket, 54 ..... 44.50

Imp, 14 ..... 10.00

Yankee, 1¢ ..... 14.50

Cubs, 1¢ ..... 10.00

Windmills, 1¢ ..... 4.95

Daval Races ..... 14.50

Gottlieb Grip Scales., 12.50

Sparks, Tok. Pay., 14. 22.50

Mills Orig. Golden Fails,

54-254 .....\$119.50

USED SLOTS

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WASHINGTON, May 7. - Sugar distribution for the week ending April 16 was below the corresponding week sugar mills in Cuba have finished last year, marking the first such development in 1949, Agriculture Department reported. Domestic distribution amounted to 113,894 tons as year, it was learned at the Ministry compared with 131,065 tons for the comparable week in 1948.

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Hartford Ops **Mills Intros Stage** 

Hike Cigarette CHICAGO, May 7 .- The Mills 400cup soft drink dispenser is now being made with a new vending stage designed to cut servicing by preventing sirup from getting into the mechanism and causing the gate to stick. The stage incorporates a safety lock which keeps the gate closed and prevents tampering.

Other features which Mills claims for the stage include easy operation, maintained sanitary conditions and easy removal for cleaning. It is to be made available for Mills cup drink units already on location. Addition of the stage will mean no price change in the machine, it was announced.

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local vending machine cigarette price at 20 cents in the fall of 1948. When other vending machine concerns raised cigarette prices to 22 cents some months ago, Weil's concern announced that it would retain its 20cent price in the hope that conditions would improve to eliminate the necessity of an increase.

**Price 2 Cents** 

**Operating Costs Cited** 

HARTFORD, Conn., May 7.-Ciga-

rettes sold thru vending machines in

the Hartford area will be increased in

price from 20 to 22 cents a pack.

Nathan Weil, manager of the Ciga-

rette Vending Service Company, Hart-

ford, was the first to announce the

operators would follow suit, with key

men in the trade blaming the 2-cent

increase on operating losses and new

The boost will go into effect, ac-

cording to operators, as soon as machines are converted to handle quar-

ters. There will also be a time ele-

ment required for enclosing 3 cents

The Hartford boost, Weil says, will bring this city to the level of most

of the State, where 22 cents has been

charged while Hartford operators were experimenting with the 20-cent price. In Massachusetts, he noted, vending machine cigarettes are sold

**Others Up Price** Among other Hartford ops planning to increase cigarette charges were

Hartford Cigarette Vendors, Inc.; Hartford Cigarette Service, and the

Self-Service Sales Corporation.

Whether this move will lead to in-

creased prices on over-the-counter

cigarette sales by some retailers has

not been determined as yet by local

Vending Service Company, was a key

figure in Hartford in keeping the

The Weil organization, Cigarette

wholesale tobacco dealers.

in change in each cigarette pack.

operating expense increases.

There were indications that other

price boost.

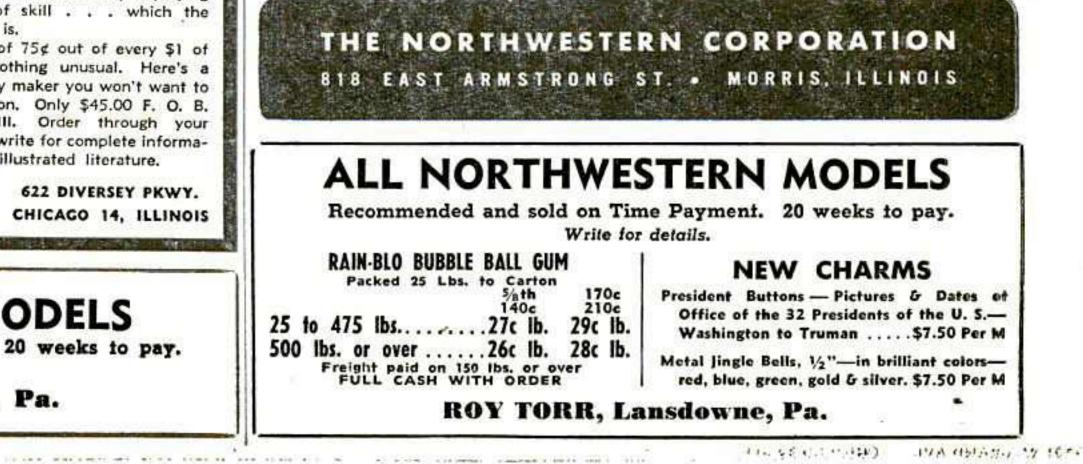
for 23 cents.

Weil said this week, however: "We" maintained and endeavored to influence other operators to remain at 20 cents, hoping that the high price of cigarettes would not be a lasting one. Cigarettes failed to decrease in price and operating costs increased. We are sending letters to our customers, fully explaining this action."



. ing merchandise in returned globes

against cash collection, you can be sure of more accurate accounting and tighter control. No other vending machine gives operators so much. Wire, phone or write for details.



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## Hits Minn. Ops PersonnelManager At Sterling Vending

BELLEVILLE, N. J., May 7.-Henry W. Hartmann, president of Sterling Vending Company here, has announced the appointment of Edgar F. George as personnel manager. George had previously been with the Canteen Company, and over a period of 18 years had been in charge of

Sterling Vending, one of the pioneer organizations in the vending field, was organized by Hartmann in 1928. industrial plants in New Jersey and New York.



## NameEdgarGeorge New Tax Muddle SPACE FOR NAMA

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tax law, this is it. The vending ma-

chine industry has been discriminated

against without even the opportunity

of having its case heard. And the 1-

cent cigarette tax increase isn't all.

The Minnesota Legislature has given

us more expenses with higher gas tax,

motor vehicle tax and numerous

other increased levies. The law-

(Continued from page 103) Commerce official, joined the association last week to replace Howard Olson, special activities' director who is now with the William Wrigley Jr. Company.

Recommendations made by the Chicago advisory members will be passed along to the Advisory Committee when that group meets in Atlantic City June 3 prior to the joint regional meeting of NAMA Regions A and III.





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#### VENDING MACHINES 109

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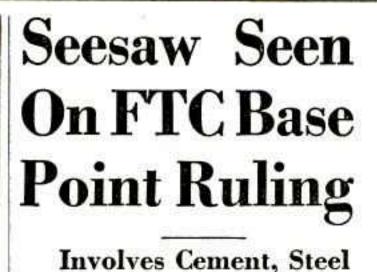
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WASHINGTON, May 7.-Basing point developments this week headed in opposite directions'as the Supreme Court upheld Federal Trade Commission (FTC) in another industry basing point ban and the Senate Judiciary Committee approved a bill calling for a moratorium until mid-1950 on new prosecutions by FTC.

FTC's victory in the high court was a hollow one as the tribunal split with a 4-4 decision, one justice abstaining. According to legal precedent, a tie decision by the court automatically affirms a lower court decision—in this case, a pro-FTC decision by the Circuit Court of Appeals.

The case was carried to the Supreme Court by a dozen manufacturers of rigid steel conduits. They had been ordered by FTC to abandon basing point practices. The Commission also had ordered the conduit makers to refrain from using a freight absorption policy, either jointly or individually.

The Supreme Court's ruling came exactly one day before the first anniversary of the original basing point decision-the upholding of an FTC basing point ban against the cement industry.

#### Okay Moratorium

Barely an hour before the court decision in the conduit case was announced, the Senate Judiciary Committee approved the moratorium bill banning any new basing point prosecutions until July, 1950. A similar bill passed the House Judiciary Committee several weeks ago and is now waiting its turn on the crowded House calendar. Congressional action on the moratorium is likely to be accelerated in view of the Supreme Court's decision. Many legislators had been hoping the court would overrule FTC and make the moratorium unnecessary. Enactment of the moratorium now appears assured. Congress expects to use the 15month breathing spell to consider and enact new legislation covering basing point practices. Such legislation is expected to develop into a bitter fight in both houses. The chief backer of FTC in the current squabble is Rep. Wright Patman (D., Tex.), head of the House Small Business Committee. Patman has been carrying on FTC's fight on the floor of the House. Hailing the conduit decision, Patman declared it is "a victory for the people." He added that "the powerful monopolies which have used the basing point system as a creature to stifle competition and destroy free enterprise are again deprived of this most effective weapon." Patman called upon all small businesses to fight the proposed moratorium. The Senate has no small business committee this session, but several members of last year's group are backing FTC in the basing point prosecutions. Included are Senators Glen Taylor (D., Idaho) and James Murray (D., Mont.).

**Contests** Minn. Cig Tax Boost ST. PAUL, May 7 .- A move to challenge constitutionality of the new 1-cent cigarette tax increase has been launched here by the Ramsey County Anti-Sales Tax League. The increase was voted by Minnesota Legislature just before it adjourned Monday (25).

Ramsey League

Koscie H. Marsh, league resident, said he and other officers would consult Attorney General J. Bernquist about the situation and determine after the conference how to proceed in challenging the new law. Marsh stated the league based its position on two grounds: (1) The subject matter of cigarette tax increase was defeated once in committee and therefore "cannot be revived at the same session." The House Tax Committee had tabled a bill boosting the cigarette levy 2 cents per pack, and (2) the revenue-producing measure did not originate in the House as required by the State constitution, but was "merely recommended by conference committees of the House and Senate."





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#### 110 SHUFFLEBOARDS

The Billboard

INDIE TOURNEYS UP GROSSES

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## **Inter-Location Meets Make Patrons Shuffle - Conscious; Sandlot Loops Hike Income**

**Owners, Operators Can Set Up Own Local Promotions** 

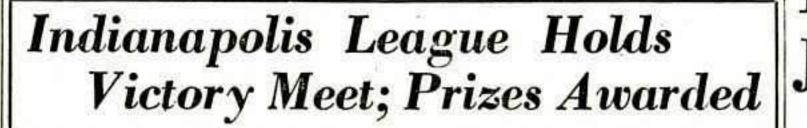
#### By Norman Weiser

CHICAGO, May 7.-Individual location promotions, via tournaments, are more feasible in many cases than area or city-wide shuffleboard leagues, it has been found; while sandlot leagues, formed by several location owners have also worked out successfully. The problems encounhours. The local factory is capable tered in this type of shuffleboard play are different from those encountered in the setting up of a large league, and while these problems are much simpler, they can easily discourage competition unless eliminated before souri office. He has been associated actual play starts. with the firm here for the past year.

This is the third of a series on "How to Form a Shuffleboard League" which will appear in this section of The Billboard. Part IV, covering the promotion of organized shuffleboard play, will appear in next week's issue.

#### **Tavern Tourney**

The formation of inter-tavern tournaments has spurred business where shuffleboard locations are few and far between. An operator, placing a shuffleboard in this type of location can usually assure his, and the location's, steady grosses by setting up an inter-location tournament as soon as the players have become accustomed to the game. There are many advantages to this type of promotional tournament. It requires less organizational work than a league and is subject at all times to the control of the individual (See Inter-Location Meets, page 116)



Louis.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 7. - Standard Shuffleboard League 1 of Indianapolis held its victory banquet Monday night (2) in the Athenaeum Turners' Club here. Approximately 100 shuffleboard fans attended the affair, which was highlighted by the distribution of 11 prizes ranging up to \$750.

Dean Douglas, executive secretary of the Standard Shuffleboard Congress of America; W. E. Hall, sales manager of the shuffleboard division of the Rock-Ola Company, and Warren Olson, in charge of organization for Standard, were guests of honor. The history of shuffleboard was told by Dean Douglas in detail. Other and Clyde Johnson.

guests made short talks. The event was broadcast over WXLW, Indianapolis, and was transcribed for broadcast at the usual time on Saturday. Mike Dunn, announcer at WXLW, was emsee.

LOS ANGELES, May 7.—System

Amusement Company, makers of the

Olympic Shuffleboard, will soon open

an office in St. Louis to take care of

the increased demand for the boards

and accessories, William (Bud) Parr

announced today. Company is already manufacturing boards in St.

Parr said that the St. Louis factory,

with a capacity of 80 boards a day,

will boost its capacity to 120 every 24

Marvin Jones will manage the Mis-

of turning out 40 boards.

Mrs. Marguerite Stone, secretary of the league, presented the prizes. First prize was \$750; second, \$350; third, \$200, and the fourth, \$100. Four \$50 prizes also were awarded.

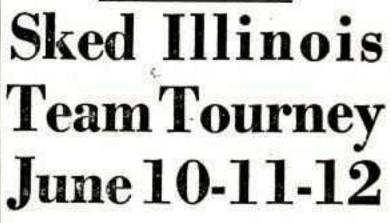
Bill Allison, captain of the Sherman Bar team, was presented with the team trophy. Other members of the winning team are Clyde Brown, C. J. Kleifgen, Earl F. Nash, Joe Weakley, E. J. Yeager, Gilbert Shepherd, Ernest Robertson, Bud Phillips

Commenting further on the expansion program, Parr said that scoreboards will continue to be made in the West. System provides a complete line of shuffleboard items, including wax, weights and other accessories.

System Amusement To Open New

Olympic Offices in St. Louis

Full operation of the St. Louis project will enable the company to give faster service to operators no matter where they are located, it was pointed out.



**First Prize To Be \$500** 

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., May 7 .- To determine the Illinois State championship a shuffleboard team tournament will be held here June 10, 11 and 12, with entries being open to six or eight-man teams which are certified by national shuffleboard leagues.

Cash prizes to be awarded: 1st place team, \$500, plus individual trophies; 2d place. \$250, plus team trophy; 3d place, \$150; 4th place, \$100, and 5th to 8th place teams, \$50 each. Sponsor of the championship team will be awarded a new 49-er National deluxe shuffleboard. Winning teams are to be given a banquet on the closing day. Leading civic and State officials and numerous sports editors are to be invited. Rules for play are as established by the U.S. Shuffleboard Congress. Team registration fee, which includes use of boards, is \$5. Entries, which close May 23, are to be mailed to T. C. Browne, care of National Shufflebcard Company, 291 Cleveland Street, Orange, N. J.

## **Talks Break Down** As Masonite Plant Strike Continues

LAUREL, Miss., May 7.-Hope for an early settlement of the strike called by the International Wood Workers (CIO) against Masonite Corporation here faded this week when negotiator for the union and Masonite agreed to terminate parleys for an indefinite period. Until the strike began, April 1, die-stock used in shuffleboard playfields was produced in the Masonite plant here.

March 1, union spokesmen notified plant executives that they would seek a new contract for higher hourly wages and improved working conditions. Thus far Masonite has offered to renew the old contract for an additional one-year period. In all, 2,300 plant workers are affected.

Approximately 25 per cent of all boards produced thus far have diestock playfields. Among the producers affected are Marvel Manufacturing, Nation-Wide Novelty, Mercantile Display, Olympic and Perma-Top. Current die-stock playfields on hand in the shuffleboard manufacturing plants vary from two to four weeks under full production schedules.

## Set Allotment For All Areas

Three championship teams in Northwest shuffle loop get okay for tournament

CHICAGO, May 7.-With team and player allotments for the Four-State Shuffleboard Tournament, sponsored by the Standard Shuffleboard Congress of America (SSCA) set, and different cities in the Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and Michigan territory picking representatives, the first three teams to be selected were announced this week.

High-powered promotion continues on the Four-State tourney. This week members of the press here received personalized pucks which can be used as paper weights, as a reminder that the SSCA is sponsoring the tourney in Chicago June 16-19 inclusive. Each puck has the recipient's name hand-lettered on the top.

First officially announced as contestants in the tournament are three See First SSCA Entries, page 117)



PROMOTION ON THE 4-STATE SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENT, sponsored by the Standard Shuffleboard Congress of America, gets under way in earnest with Virginia Donlan (left) and Virginia Reimann, Chicago stars, pointing to one of the many location posters announcing the event. Tournament will be held at the Coliseum in Chicago June 16-19, with \$15,000 in prize money going to the winners in the various divisions.





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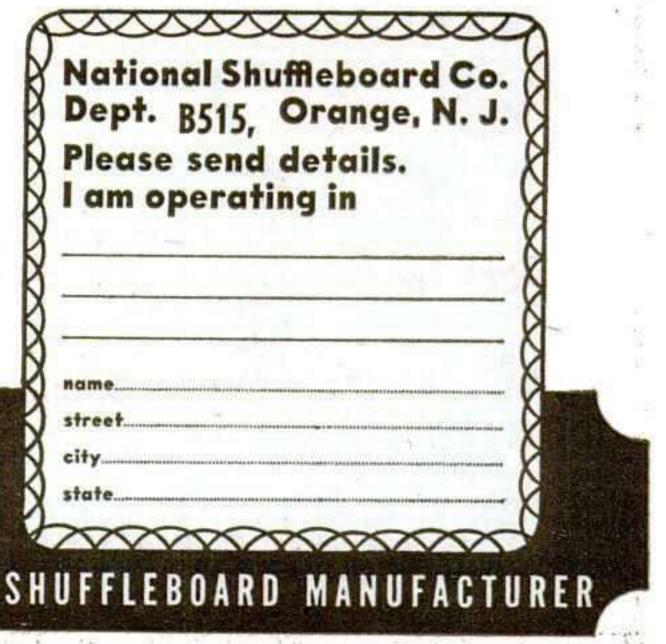
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#### May 14, 1949

#### Los Angeles:

Dave Gould, of American Shuffleboard Sales, is going heavily into the resurfacing business. He now has a deal whereby boards can be resurfaced on locations within a few hours. . . . Jack Leonard, of Badger boards. The firm is now showing Sales, is pushing Sun-Glo shuffle- the latest Rock-Ola board.

# **PUCK PATTER**

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Chicago:

Lee Walker, local shuffleboard op-

erator, reports business is holding

the Southeast section of the city. . .

A new shuffleboard arcade is

skedded for an early opening. It's

on West Olympic Boulevard near

the city limits of Santa Monica.

They're using Mutual boards exclu-

William Nurie and Harry Pincus

are going to open a shuffleboard

academy at Second and Broadway

in Santa Monica, starting with five American Shuffleboards. If the ven-

ture proves successful, it's reported

they will open a string of shuffle-

board arcades in Southern Califor-

Herman Klebba, Miniature Bowl-

ing Pin Company, is handling the

nine-foot board nationally distrib-

uted by National Manufacturers

Terry McCabe, captain of the team

which won the championship of

League 1 in play sponsored by Na-

tional Shuffleboard of Chicago, hopes

that a tournament of league cham-

pions will get under way soon. Judy

Representatives of Cincinnati. . .

board wax. He reports a big demand for miniature pins for shuffleup on the boards. He operates in

#### SHUFFLEBOARD BOWLING GAME Model B "BOWL 'EM DOWN"

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Baurle, of McCabe's regular team, is one of the leading players in the Chicago area.

Julian Crum, Shuffleboard Specialists sales manager, reports that deliveries have started on its de luxe model featuring a mahogany and maple cabinet and three-inch maple playfield. Firm also has die stock fields for the same model. . . . H. J. Sawyer is specializing in maple playfields. They are 20 inches wide, are constructed of 27 equal pieces of hard maple. . . . R. L. Budde, assistant to the president at A. B. T., says the firm's new large capacity coin box for electric scoreboards is receiving steady operator attention. Unit holds \$200 in dimes.

Nation Wide Novelties new model features 10 large legs, which company officials say helps to keep the board steady on location. It is equipped also with large size leg adjusters. . . . Coin Machine Service is handling a full line of tournament trophies and prizes as well as refinishing equipment and accessories.

Louis Pappas, head of Mercantile Display, made a brief trip to Ionia, Mich., to check first production of the firm's Mercury shuffleboard line in the new plant. . . . Orville Adams, Adams Coin Machines, L'Anse, Mich., made his bi-weekly visit to Chicago's shuffleboard plants for new boards and scoreboards. Orville is captain for one of the Upper Peninsula leading teams which he hopes to enter in several tournaments later this month and in June. . . . Jim Guichard, Perma Top Corporation, spent the week in St. Louis where his firm has a branch office.

dent, reports his new scoreboard

recovered from a plane crack-up and will soon make a tour of Iowa and Nebraska via plane. . . . Harry Brown, Amusement Sales Corpora-

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#### SHUFFLEBOARDS 117

# The billion First SSCA Entries Named; Allotment for All Areas Set Continued from page 100 Championship teams of the Northwest Shuffleboard League, Illinois, includa Shufflers of the men's division, and In the Yonewest league, consisting Shuffleboard League, Illinois, includa Inte Tracy Foods Women's team. The Northwest league, consisting Statement and the Pleasure Shufflers have Versities and the Pleasure Shufflers have Statist, won the championship in and the Pleasure stock the second The Greenbrier team, captained by Thereas State Cosgren, won 119 game, of Tracy is collable teams will onclude Richard Cosgren, won 119 game, of Tracy Foods. The four-day counts in 48 games, Other members of all three teams will onclude Richard Cosgren and Margaret Pittinger. Members of all three teams will onclude Richard Cosgren and Margaret Dittinger, of Tracy Foods. The four-day countament, sponsor of be team include Ray Bencizenga, of Greenbrier; Art Now and Dick Eklove, of Pleasure Shuffleboard Cosgren, won 119 game, of the standard Shuffleboard Cosgrens, will consist of competition in the standard Shuffleboard Cosgren, won 119 game, of the steam in both groups and teaperes and Georeit wof

Nick Lobello, Larry Gerhartz, Robert Nagle, John Rollinger and George Kwidd.

Pleasure Shufflers, captained by Benny Friel, won 117 games against 97 defeats for the season. Other team members include Frank Falton, Art Now, Dick Eklove, Larry Tysbal and Fred Markus.

During the season's competition, Avenue.

team events.

PUCK PATTER

(Continued from page 114) liveries of Genco's scoreboards are just getting under way. Meanwhile, firm officials are stepping up production schedules on the accessory. . . Mrs. Barbara McFall, secretary of the local American distributing firm, reports the firm move to larger quarters is complete.

singles, doubles in both groups and team events. Competition will include "shufflers" from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin, who will roll for a total of \$15,000 in cash and awards. Entries, which must be in before midnight, May 27, should be directed to Dean Douglass, executive secretary of the Congress at 800 North Sawyer Avenue. May Attractions, reports good busi-ness at National Shuffleboard field supervisor in Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois and the Midwest. Returning to the Stevens Hotel here recently from a flying trip to New York on a combined business and booking tour, Ernie reports that spring bookings are gratifying and shuffleboard activi-ties are maintaining a high peak.

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#### DO YOU??

Lie awake nights wondering what you are going to do with your boards that are warped and pitted so badly that old location owners continually complain and new location owners won't accept them?

#### DO YOU??

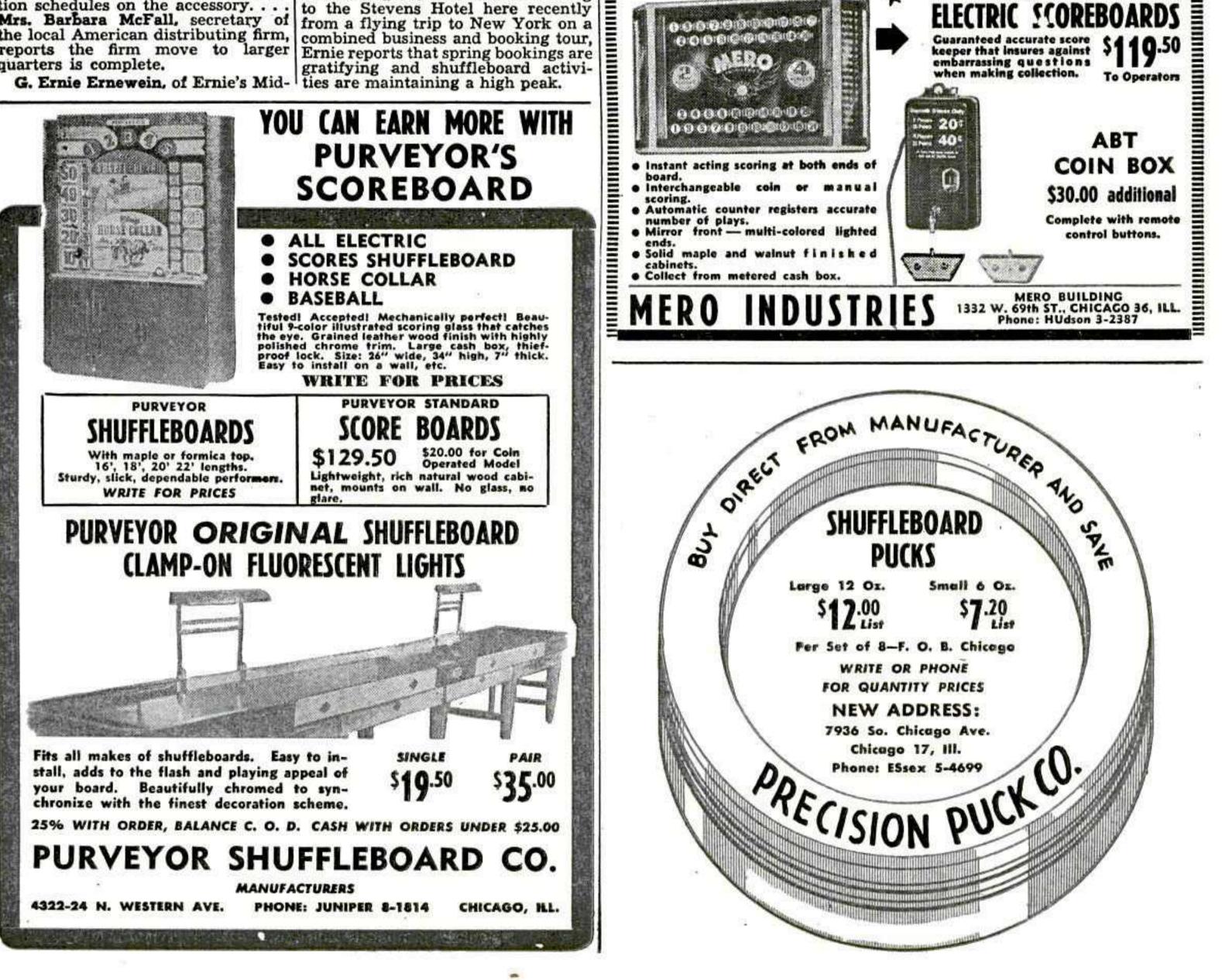
Get weary from climbing under shuffleboards; getting your clothes dirty trying to level a table every time a customer complains?

#### DO YOU??

Get a sore arm from cleaning and polishing tables each time you go to collect from a location?

#### DO YOU??

Grit your teeth and count to ten every time you hear a weight fall on one of your boards dropped from some careless player's hand?



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# **COINMEN YOU KNOW**

#### Chicago:

H. F. (Denny) Dennison, president of Dennison Sales Company, has returned to New York where he will spend the next four weeks on business. Dennison visited the Five-States **Convention** in Minneapolis recently and introduced his new play-promoter to music operators in the Northwest. He reported this business was brisk, and Mike Imig, president of the South Dakota Phonograph Association, told him that his association had voted to test the piece in all locations.

United Manufacturing is rolling ahead on its new game, Aquacade, and reports from the field indicate the firm has a winner. Billy DeSelm, sales manager, and Herb Oettinger, comptroller, flew to Minneapolis Tuesday (3) to see the Twin Cities distributor, Herman Paster, who is up and about after his auto accident. Reports have it that Herman will not be able to do too much work for some months to come. Meanwhile, United played host to several out-of-towners recently. Ray Williams was in from Dallas, while Buster Williams came in from his New Orleans headquarters. Also on hand was Norwood Veatch, Central Distributors, St. Louis, who dropped in to say hello to Mel Binks at the Universal headquarters on Broadway.

Ray Riehl, assistant sales manager of United, back from his Arizona trip and plunging right into his duties at the plant, had a phone call from Sam Wolf, Central Distributing of Ohio. who reported that brother, Solomon, suffering from a leg ailment, has taken a few weeks off to recuperate.

director for Holli-Ware Manufactur- six flavors of fruit juices in six-ounce ing Company, reports increased pro- cans. The response was so favorduction activity on firm'; bulk and able on the first one that others were candy bar venders as national cover- quickly added, Riggs said. With age is expanded. . . J. C. Webb, the warmer weather the company American Citrus Corporation, is has noted a slight increase in sales, making five local citrus juice vender test installations to determine sales potential at various types of locations. Vending an orange-grape-fruit drink under the Del Juice (See CHICAGO on page 121)

#### Hartford, Conn.:

A testimonial dinner was held recently in honor of Hartford's Willie Pep, world's feather-weight boxing champion. Among Pep's friends in attendance were Ralph Colucci, owner; Isadore Goldman, business manager, State Music Distributing Corporation; Jimmy Tolisano, Superior Music Company, and Guy DiModugno, of the staff of the Record Shops, Hartford retail stores monies. owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Colucci.

Decca Records, Inc., hosted about 100 people from the coin machine and phonograph record trade in Connecticut at a good-will reception for orchestra leader Gordon Jenkins here. Among the coinmen on hand were Colucci, Goldman; Mike Colucci, Ralph's brother, and owner of Mattatuck Music Company, Waterbury, Conn., Seeburg and Aireon distributors, and Bill Gaffney, of Gaffney Company, Norwich, Conn., Seeburg distributors.

Glenn O. Rowell, personnel director of Veeder-Root, Inc., of Hartford, manufacturers of counting and computing devices for coin machines, has resigned to establish his (See HARTFORD, CONN., page 121)

#### Washington:

Automatic Fountains has just placed its first new Super-Vend, three flavor beverage dispenser, on location at the Metropolitan Theater. The late model vender offers cola, cherry, and lime drinks. Manager C. Raynor Riggs said the company is looking forward to favorable results from the machine. Automatic now has about 20 Juice Bar Lawrence F. Ellison, national sales | machines out. These venders sell Riggs also stated.

#### New Orleans:

Ed Holyfield was installed as president of the newly formed Coin Machine Distributors and Jobbers Association of New Orleans. Taking office at the same time were Jules Peres, of Peres Distributing Company, vice-president, and Ed Robinson, Music Sales Company, secretary-treasurer. Most of jobbers and distributors attended the cere-

The AMI mechanism display for home use in the windows of the Dixie Coin Machine Company is attracting considerable attention, coin machine company to join forces with the Console Distributing Company, R. G. Buckley, manager, announced. Fox will work the territory from Pittsburgh down and west to Texas.

Mel Stout, sales representative of the Dixie Coin Machine Company, and Herman Daddis, of the AMI factory, Grand Rapids, Mich., just completed a five-week tour of the State with the factory's trailer and demonstration unit. The operators' response to this unique method of presenting several AMI machines was gratifying, they said. Stout gets back this week to his regular schedule of visits to the trade in Louisiana. . . . Ed Holyfield, Dixie manager, and Johnny Bertucci, Tom Meaders and Col. Stuart Evans, of United Novelty Company, Biloxi, Miss., hied themselves to Chicago last week on a quick business trip. Holyfield says he is looking forward to big things as a result of the visit of Windy City. . . . Paying visits to the Dixie headquarters during the week were Earl Johns, Crowley; H. C. Gascon, Addis; Hubert Young, Baton Rouge; I. J. Colotta, Indianola;

#### New York:

W. Boizelle, of the Paul Boizelle Manufacturing Company, Rockville, Md., reports the firm's game, 52, is now catching on thruout the country. The J. & F. Sales Company, Eau Claire, Wis., introduced it to Midwestern and Northwestern operators at the Five-States Convention a few weeks ago. Boizelle reports the game lists at \$249.50, with certain discounts available if purchased in lots.

Stanley Gersh, of Coney Island's Races Manufacturing Company, is operating newly installed banks of according to Holyfield. . . . Henry Play the Races at Wildwood, N. J., (The Trader) Fox left his own and Jacksonville, Fla. There are 50 in each location. . . . Bill Cohen, of Silent Sales, Minneapolis, is in town on biz. He had a conference with Jack Mitnick, who is still limping slightly. Humid weather affects Jack's leg. He fractured it some months ago.

> Al (Senator) Bodkin, of Forest Hills, is back on the avenue visiting with the jobbers, apparently fully recovered from a recent operation. ... Nat Goros, of Commercial, who is spending most of his time building up his cigarette machine route, took time off this week to celebrate his birthday. Nat is concentrating on electric models. . . . Lester Smith, Newburgh music op, did some shopping at coin row outlets last week.

> Ben (Pop) Pollay, whose son, Mac, runs United Phonograph Service, feels much improved after undergoing a new series of treatments. He has been ill for many years. . . . Phil Mason, of Mason Distributing, was down South last week on a buying trip. . . . Dave Lowy and Teddy (Champ) Seidel, of Dave Lowy & Company, report that the used juke biz is holding well.

#### **Cincinnati**:

Charles Butler and Ben Bennie have made application for membership in the Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association (APOA) and have been approved by the board. They operate phonographs in Greater Cincinnati.

The association will hold its regular board meeting Tuesday evening (10) at 8 p.m. at the Hotel Gibson, instead of 2 p.m. This will be followed by the regular monthly membership meeting at 9 p.m.

#### **Philadelphia**:

On the Jersey side in Hammonton, penny parking meters brought in \$255.58 during the first week of operation, bettering the total of the 5cent meters, it was reported by the traffic department. . . . Local Music Machine Operators' Association tied in with Joe Nanni, branch manager for Capitol Records, for an all-out music box promotion on the Johnny Mercer-Margaret Whiting recording of "Baby, It's Cold Outside." . . Jack Beresin, head of Berlo Vending Company, going to San Francisco to attend the National Variety Clubs Convention this month. . . . Paramount Newsreel cameramen taking footage of the first Kenro ice cream vending machines coming off the assembly line at the Dexdale Hosiery's turbo machine division plant at suburban Lansdale, Pa. ... Gene Wil-liams's recording of "Can't Understand It" voted the Click-tune-ofthe-month in the monthly promotion by the Music Operators' Association and the Click nitery. It was at the Click last year that maestro Williams started his band.

Spacarb is now in "a mid-season standstill" according to a spokesman. They expect their big boom to start about June 1.

Hirsh de la Viez, owner of Hirsh Coin Machine Company and Washington Music Guild (WMG) president, is on a three weeks' vacation trip to California. During his absence Bill Schwartz is in charge of business.

#### **Houston:**

Jack McDaniel, owner of McDaniel Distributing Company here, has announced plans for new offices and a program of expansion. McDaniel was formerly manager of the Southern Distributing Company. Ill health compelled him to resign that position.

**Buddy Sanders** is now traveling sales representative for the Houston branch of Commercial Music Com- Special discussions on inter-organpany (Wurlitzer distributors). Sanders has been covering the South at the closed gathering. . . . Al Cald-Texas territory the past several ren. of Caldren Sales Company, flew years.

A. B. Wagster, Lake Charles; Joe Messina, Amite; William Webster, Marianna, Fla., and Tony Marullo, Tommy Micelli and Tom DiPlantis, all of Grand Isle.

#### Indianapolis:

The Indiana Automatic Merchandising Company, Inc., has placed on location some of the first of the new cigarette vending machines, equipped with coin changers. These models are welcomed in manufacturing centers because of the convenience of the coin changer and have been responsible for increased sales, according to J. R. Howard, general manager. . . . Floyd Meeker and his wife attended the wedding of Lieut. Col. Dave Allerdice and Iris Byrum, film actress, April 28 in Hollywood.

The Music Operators' Association of Indiana, Chapter 1, held its regular monthly meeting April 4 in the Indianapolis Athletic Club. Floyd Meeker, newly elected president, of the Meeker Music Company, presided. A special meeting will be held May 17 in the Athletic Club. ization matters are to be held to Florida on business.

# **Calendar** for Coinmen

June 3-4-National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA) Regions A and 3, annual meeting, Ritz-Carlton Hotel, Atlantic City. (Region A: New Jersey, Pennsylvania; Paul I. Berkley, chairman. Region 3: Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, District of Columbia; Aaron Goldman, chairman).

June 19-24-International Store Modernization Show, annual meeting and exhibit, Grand Central Palace, New York.

June 26-29-National Candy Wholesalers' Association (NCWA). annual convention and exposition, Stevens Hotel, Chicago.

July 26-28-National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM), annual convention and exhibit, Manhattan Center Exhibition Hall, New York.

(Association officials are invited to submit convention information to the Coin Machine Editor, The Billboard, 155 North Clark Street, Chicago 1, for listing in this calendar.)

Tony (Rex) DiRenzo and Leo Knebel, of Rex-Lee Enterprises, are expanding the scope of their jobbing business to include cigarette machines. In addition to handling used venders, they may shortly take on local representation for a cigarette machine manufacturer. Meanwhile, DiRenzo keeps active on the road buying equipment, while Knebel spends most of his time running the firm's repair shop.

Harry Kolodny, of the Kolodny Distributing Corporation, Port Chester, N. Y., was in town on biz last week. He is putting out a new single-column Hershey bar vender. His firm also does a sizable business electrifying used cigarette machines. . . . Murray Wiener, of Pollak Engineering, is happy over the reception given his seven-column, electric cigarette machine at the National Association of Tobacco Dis-

Jacob Price, president of the Farmer Boy Corn & Equipment Company, has appointed Ethel Haskin to supervise advertising and sales promotion. . . . I. Edelman, of Detroit's Edelco, was in town last week to line up distribution of a new device he will soon introduce.

tributors' convention last week.

#### London:

Work has finally started on the rebuilding of the headquarters of the Chicago Automatic Supply Company on St. George's Road. Building was badly damaged during the war. . . . The "On Your Way" government-sponsored exhibit at the Marble Arch featured a pinball game and an arcade game among its exhibits.

The British Automatic Company is busy preparing railway station vending machines in anticipation of an early sweetmeat supply. . . . Maj. Stanley St. John Jacobs is back in Sandown after a trip abroad and is ready for the summer season.



#### The Reality

#### **Detroit:**

Herbert Weingarden and Max Goldman, independent music operators, are forming a partnership to cover part of their music route operations. Weingarden is also continuing the Longfellow Avenue, now has head-Action Music Service, providing service for juke box operators, as well as the bowling machine route which he operates in partnership with Ernie Stovak. He also started a supply business in parts for bowling machines. ... Mike Medford, in the music busi-



ness here for 16 years, is reported in | . poor health, with Earl Russell, of the Macomb Music Company, handling his route operations.

A. Jordan Spring, formerly on quarters for his route at 12214 Woodrow Wilson Avenue.... Rudy Schroeder has disposed of his interest in the Aristocrat Popcorn Company, distributors for Aristocrat popcorn vendors, to Charles W. Norris, lately in the navy. Schroeder is joining Harris Berger and Pierce Peters, formerly with the Ford Motor Company, in the Telemat Corporation. The new firm will distribute Telecoin products, including laundry equipment and coinoperated venders of canned fruit and vegetable juices.

#### Los Angeles:

Sammy Donin, of Automatic Games, headed north last week to look over the territory. While he's gone Dannie Jackson and George Warner will handle the customers. ... Jack Mallett was in from Claremont. Another recent visitor was William Shorey, who operates in San Bernardino. . . . Orville Kindig was up from Long Beach looking over some new equipment.

C. F. Wurdig and Elwood Lorman, of Bonanza, have arranged for Bank of America Timeplan credit for California operators who purchase their Nugget popcorn and Swifty-Shine shoeshine machines. As a result of expanded activity Wurdig left last week for a trip thru the Rocky Mountain area and the Midwest. He'll be gone several weeks. . . J. F. Cooper, Riverside coinman, was in town for a looksee last week. Another operator, R. T. Frazier, of San Diego, was also seen on coin machine row.

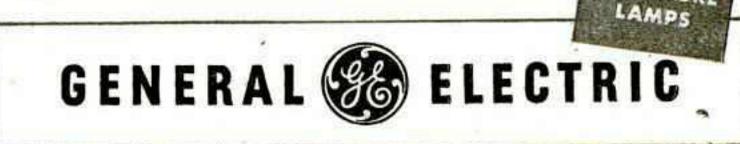
New First Lady CHICAGO, May 7 .- A girl



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MINIATURE

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#### IMMEDIATE DELIVERY





# **Over More Space For Production**

PHILADELPHIA, May 7.-Nate Schneller, Inc., organized a year ago to design and produce pin game conversions, has acquired additional plant facilities totaling 8,000 square feet of floor space. The firm will retain its offices and showrooms at 1427 North Broad Street, but will transfer all its production work to the new plant, at 214 West Diamond, June 1, according to Lennie Schneller, treasurer.

The Schneller company, which has been forced to relocate twice since it was formed, due to an increasing volume of business, now services operators on a national scale, the company executive pointed out. Dur- ing the early months of its existence, Schneller limited its scope to operators in this area alone. All conversions are location tested, it was said, and are engineered by Nate Schneller, president.

Other officers of the company are Sam Milgrim, vice-president, and Joe Belsky, secretary.

# **Export Sales Drop Continues**

(Continued from page 98) \$1,017. Thru 1948, South African coinmen spent an average of \$25,000 per month, importing 200 or more units.

#### **Averages** Off

Average prices on music machines and venders also felt the weight of the slow February market. Jukes dropped to \$323 per unit compared with the better than \$400 per unit merchandisers were down to an average price of \$82, off \$17 from 1948 averages. Game prices continued slightly higher than a year ago, average \$152 in February. Export trade analysts in Washington warned that too much emphasis should not be placed on the February declines, since February is traditionally a low month on coin machine exports and is usually followed by a sharp upswing in March and April. They also pointed out that most of the coin equipment sold on the export market was the used variety. With used equipment sales improving every week on the domestic market, they explained, it was reasonable to assume that much of the equipment sold to foreign operabuyers in local areas.

# Schneller Takes Pistol Games Okay in Detroit Without Extra Shots Feature

DETROIT, May 7.-The expanded use of Chicago Coin's Pistol and Exhibit Supply's Dale Shooting Gallery, temporarily halted last week when the Liquor Control Commission sought more information on both games, was moving ahead at a steady pace again this week with the commission's approval. Point under discussion was the free-play adjustment on the games which has since been removed.

While the local authorities investigated the games over the past 14 days, operators suspended play on their machines but left them on location, This action was commended by the commission and was looked upon as another step in the friendly and co-operative approach of local coinmen in dealing with public offlcials.

**Chicago** Coin

CHICAGO, May 7 .- Chicago Coin Machine Company has started deliveries on its new five-ball game, Super Hockey, Sam Gensburg and Sam Wolberg, firm owners, announced this week.

Intros 5 - Ball

**Super Hockey** 

Based on big league hockey, the new Chicago Coin product features a wide-open playfield and four ways to win replays. Playfield has two goals, one for visiting team and one for the home club. The goals are miniatures of the types used in promaintained thru 1948. Automatic fessional play, and player scores elty Company, Houston, has been apgoals by hitting each of the five balls at the goalie's nets. To win replays player must make either 14 goals on visiting or home team. He announced Thursday (5). can also win replays by guiding balls thru side roll-overs which advance Williams and T. J. (Joe) Gillespee, team one place in team standings. In all, player can advance team from 10th place to first in team standing. When the standing reaches third holdings of the branch, including place player automatically wins a South Texas sales rights, and infree play. For second place he wins corporated as Williams Novelty. In two replays and for first three replays. He can also win multiple ner in the firm. replays by getting more than 14 goals on either the home or visiting goalie. glass portion of the cabinet on the issued a charter to the States Disnew game. Glass is installed in a tributing Company, Inc., Jefferson picture frame setting and the wooden parish. The new firm, capitalized tors as surplus was finding ready part is flush with other parts of the at \$10,000, will deal in coin-operated cabinet.

The commission disclosed that reports had been coming in that Pistol, distributed in Michigan by A. P. Suave, and the Dale gun, handled by Marston Distributing and Curtis Coin, were being used for other than amusement purposes. Investigation by the commission failed to turn up any specific information in support of these reports. Later discussion between the distributing firms' officials and the commission resulted in an understanding that the free-play idea on both games, which permits extra shots for players who hit all targets, was objectionable.

When the commission revealed its stand on the bonus shots, operators immediately converted their gun games so that the free-play feature was inoperative. While the operators felt that the extra shots were strictly an award for skill in shooting the regulation number of shots, they decided to conform with the commission's views that the free-play adjustment was hurting both games chances. The spontaneous co-operation given by coinmen once the commission had made known its stand was regarded as another step forward in sound handling of a situation which might have proved detrimental to local coinmen.



CHICAGO, May 7 .- Williams Novpointed a dealer of O. D. Jennings



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near future.

Basically, the platform calls for four main objectives:

1. That all games be location tested by manufacturers before being marketed.

2. That all manufacturers allocate definite territories to distributors which would not conflict with other distributors.

3. That all games be marked with serial numbers in a prominent place for easy identification.

4. That factory replacement parts be branded with the manufacturer's name and code.

#### Membership

J. D. Lazar, association treasurer and official of B. D. Lazar, Pittsburgh, told the board that memberships of the 23 distributor firms belonging to NCMDA are fully paid and the treasury is "accumulating funds to carry out the association's entire program of objectives." Later in the meeting, Secretary Irv Blumenfeld and an executive of General Vending Sales Corporation, Baltimore, asserted that recent interest by non-member distributors indicated a complete membership in the near future.

Wolcher, head of Advance Automatic Sales Company, San Francisco, after reviewing the progress of the nine - months - old association, said with the appointment of Neiman and Bennett, both of whom have wide experience in their respective fields, the new program would be launched in a few weeks. Progress reports will be released regularly, he said.



equipment in Harris County, Texas, John Neise, Jennings sales manager.

Williams Novelty, owned by Tom was formerly the Houston branch of General Distributing Company. Last summer Williams bought the entire March Gillespee became a full part-

BATON ROUGE, La., May 7 .- Sec-Chicago Coin debuted its new back retary of State Wade O. Martin has machines.

#### Maine Ops Sked May Meet; Add 4 Members

WATERVILLE, Me., May 7.-Next meeting of the recently formed Maine Coin Machine Operators Association will be held May 25 in a city to be specified later. Announcement of the mid-week meeting, a departure from the association's usual weekend gatherings, followed a recent dinner meeting held in Waterville's Elmwood Hotel.

The mid-week meeting was scheduled, association officials declared, since summer week-ends are busy and prevent most operators from attending.

Sixteen members and guests attended the Waterville meeting at which Vice-President Charles Stillman, of Augusta, presided. The association now has a membership of 28 operators with representation thruout the State.

Four new members have been added to the association roster since the Waterville meeting. They are Joseph A. Ferris, Madison; E. S. Laughton, York Beach; Estes Music Service, Rockland, and Durgin & Noyes, Inc., Presque Isle.

#### Local Coin Taxes **May Grow in Pennsy**

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 7 .- A new epidemic of local taxes on coin machines may spread over Pennsylvania if Gov. James H. Duff signs amendments to the 1947 local tax law.

At present local governments may tax anything not levied against by the State. The amendments passed by the 1949 Legislature take natural resources, farm products, manufactured products and public utilities from the list of taxables. With these sources of revenue cut off, the local solons may turn to coin machines to collect additional revenue.

Coin machines are already liberally taxed under the local tax measure, but some communities have not touched them.

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TOTALS 490	\$111,995	203	\$75,583	\$323	104	\$8,574	\$82	163	\$27,838	\$152



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#### **COIN MACHINES**

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#### **RECORDS MOST PLAYED BY DISK JOCKEYS** (Continued from page 25) POSITION Weeks| Last | This todate| Week | Week Lic. By FOREVER AND EVER.....D. Shore-H. Zimmerman Ork ... 4 14 12. .....Columbia 38410-ASCAP "A" YOU'RE ADORABLE... Jo Stafford-G. MacRae-P. Weston 13. CRUISING DOWN THE CRUISING DOW 15 14. 12 15. 16 RIVER .....Columbia 38411-ASCAP AGAIN .....V. Damone-G. Osser Ork..... 16. 13 20 16. week. "A" YOU'RE ADORABLE ... T. Pastor Ork ...... Decca 24602-ASCAP 20 18. 15 .....Capitol 15314-ASCAP (M. Whiting & J. Mercer-P. Weston Ork, Capitol 57-567; D. Cornell-S. Kaye Ork, Victor 20-3448; E. Williams-R. Montalban-MGM Studio Ork-G. Stoll, Dir., MGM 30197) RED ROSES FOR A BLUE LADY 20. BABY, IT'S COLD OUTSIDE.D. Shore-B. Clark ..... 2 26 21. office manager. 22. 30 23. .....Capitol 15393-ASCAP (J. Bradford-H. Rene Ork, Victor 20-3418; B. Crosby & Crew Chiefs, Columbia 38450; G. Lombardo & His Royal Canadians, Decca 24614; Patsy Montana & D. Denny-The Buckeroos, Victor 20-0040; Wesley & Marilyn Tuttle, Capitol 15423; The Highway Serenaders, Highway H 3459. J. Cooper & M. Scott-The Paulette Chicago: on a nickel. Cowboys..... MGM 10352-BMI (R. Kirk, Mercury 6189; B. Christian & His Texas Cowboys, 4-Star 1297) ONCE AND FOR ALWAYS...J. Stafford-P. Weston Ork .... 26. 16 (A. Mooney Ork, MGM 10381; T. Martin-E. Hagen Ork, Victor 20-3383; B. Crosby-Ken Darby Choir, Decca 24524; A. Vincent-M. Miller Ork, Mercury 5273) BABY, IT'S COLD OUT- J. Mercer-M. Whiting-P. Weston SIDE Ork.....Capitol 57-567-ASCAP CRUISING DOWN THE Three Suns..... 28. RIVER BALI HA'I.....P. Lee-D. Barbour Ork..... 29. (P. Como-M. Ayres Ork, Victor 20-3402; A. Vincent-M. Miller Ork, Mercury 5273; H. Winterhalter Ork, MGM 10399; B. Crosby-J. S. Trotter Ork, Decca 24609; F. Sinatra, Columbia 38446) AGAIN ...... M. Torme-P. Rugolo Ork ..... .....Capitol 15428-ASCAP SOME ENCHANTED EVE- J. Stafford-P. Weston Ork ..... NING ......Capitol 57-544-ASCAP

# Name Rosenfeld Distributor for **Chi Coin Games**

CHICAGO, May 7 .- The J. Rosenfeld Company, St. Louis, has been appointed distributor of Chicago Coin five-ball games and arcade equipment, Sam Wolberg and Sam Gensburg, firm owners, announced this

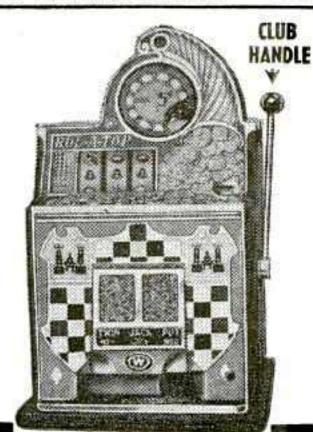
The Rosenfeld firm, assigned territory which includes Central and Southern Illinois, Eastern Missouri and Western Kentucky, is headed by Jack Rosenfeld, 19 years in the coin machine business and a navy veteran of World War II. Ed Randolph is

In April the Rosenfeld firm opened new and enlarged quarters on Olive Street, St. Louis' coin row. The event was attended by 386 coinmen and guests, including representatives of manufacturing firms of Chicago.

(Continued from page 118) label, the citrus cup venders operate

George Solar, Jimmy Martin's right hand man on the new Martin wax label, Sharp Records, aims to have a number of top juke operator tunes on tap for early release. Jimmy announces that his James H. Martin & Company five-State distribution coverage (Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin) now includes the new Horace Heidt diskery, Magnolia Records, bringing to 21 the number of labels carried.

S. D. Levings, Bastian Blessing Company, reports that manufacturer interest in firm's new low-priced two-flavor cup vender is very encouraging. Announced last week in The Billboard, the machine will be produced outside of the Blessing plant.



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#### SONGS WITH MOST VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL PLUGS IN KEY AREAS (RH SYSTEM) (Continued from page 25)

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Don't Cry, Cry Baby	Santly-Joy	2	6	•	4	0	2	0	3	0	7	0	3	2	74
Everywhere You Go	Lombardo	1	6	0	7	3	2	0	7	4	5	0	5	10	120
Forever and Ever	Robbins	5	3	0	4	4	6	4	5	2	5	•	3		**
Havin' a Wonderful Wish (Sorrowful Jones)	Paramount	4	9	1	2	1	3	1	2	0	2	1	1	10	72
I Don't See Me in Your Eyes Anymore	Laurel	2	7	0	2	0	4	0	2	1	7	0	3		67
If I Could Be With You (Flamingo Road)	Remick	2	6	1	1	3	2	3	2	5	3	1	1	10	73
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Kiss Me Sweet	Advanced	2	4	0	3	2	6	1	4	0	4	0	3		75
My One and Only Highland Fling (Barkleys of Broadway)	Harry Warren	3	5	0	2	3	6	1	3	5	2	0	2	(	60
Once and For Always (Connecticut Yankee)	Melrose	2	6	0	4	0	4	0	4	3	7	0	2		75
Powder Your Face With Sunshine	Lombardo	2	2	0	4	1	1	0	4	0	4	0	3	10	71
Red Roses for a Blue Lady	Mills	2	1	1	4	7	4	7	4	0	2	1	3	3	97
So in Love (Kiss Me, Kate)	T. B. Harms	2	4	0	5	5	4	1	3	4	4	0	4		86
So Tired	Glenmore	5	3	0	3	0	0	0	3	7	4	0	4	1	67
Some Enchanted Evening (South Pacific)	Williamson	0	5	1	4	2	5	2	5	4	1	0	3		84
Someone Like You (My Dream Is Yours)	Harms, Inc.	0	5	0	3	4	6	4	5	1	4	0	4	1	94
Someone To Love	Warren Publ.	8	6	0	1	3	4	0	1	14	10	0	1	2	75
Sunflower	Paramount	0	5	1	2	3	9	2	2	0	6	1	3		83
The Streets of Laredo (Streets of Laredo)	Famous	6	11	1	4	7	13	4	2	3	3	1	1	8	124
Underneath the Linden Tree	LaSalle	8	8	0	0	5	10	2	0	6	4	0	1		7:

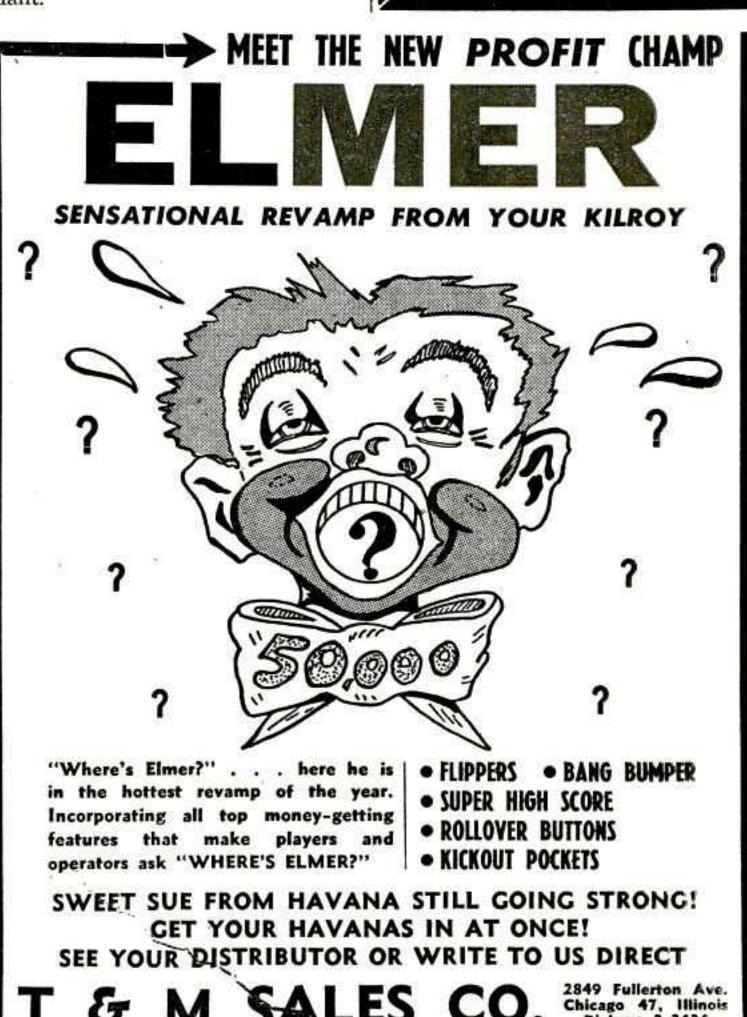
#### **Hartford**, Conn.:

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own public relations agency in Hartford. Rowell has for many years been featured on numerous Hartford area radio station programs and in addition to these activities he plans to develop new He started in radio as musical di- city, for \$1,200,000.

rector of WLS, Chicago, when that station opened in 1924.

The Record Shops, owned by Ralph Colucci and Mrs. Colucci, have been redecorated, with Mrs. Colucci supervising the repainting. . . . The Hartford Empire Company, Hartford, has purchased Henry & Wright projects, some of them in industry. Manufacturing Company, of this



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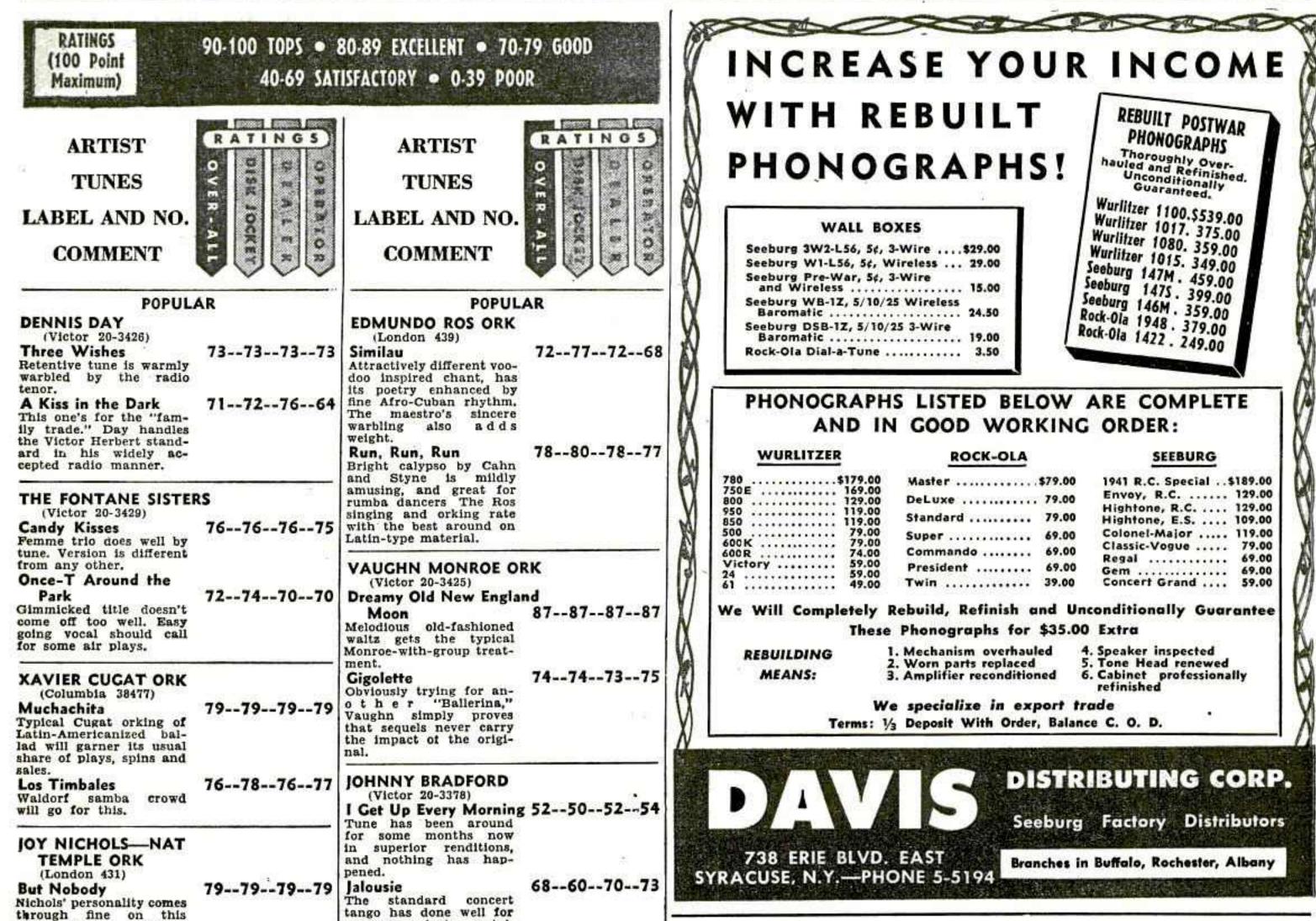
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ing Champ and Bally Gold Cup. State price and quantity by wire, phone or letter. SOUTHERN	backing. New ballad is pretty. Lament to Love Lane sings the haunting- ly attractive ballad with expression and a rich voice. A quality job that will not have broad ap-	hilarious hunk of musical satire, with a bunch of hillbillies singing whiney bop phrases. Should get brisk jock play. Listen to the Mocking Bird 80827979 Corn novelty, with yokei	PAYOUT OR FREE PLAY GAME! Subject to Only \$10.00 Fed. Tax. 3 OTHER 5 QUESTION GAMES Quiz-StarPayout Quiz-TimeFree Play
AMUSEMENT CO. South's Largest Coin Machine Supply House 628 Madison Memphis, Tenn.	GEORGE TOWNE ORK (Regent 153) The Oomp Pah Pah Song 80807882 Jolly pop tune based on the familiar "Oh, Du	vocal and banjo, is good for some laughs, but could also pick up some honest-to-gosh change in country regions.	Telequiz Amusement Write for circulars and prices! Telequiz Corp.
Phone 5-3609 Parker Henderson Coe Stone When you buy from Runyon	Lieber Augustine" gets a rousing production treatment; German-band style. Male, fem, and ensemble vocals are gay and rousing. There's a Bluebird on Your Windowsill 848484	(Gentlemen of Distinction) (Fanfare 101) Love Sat Down Beside Me 56585850 Tune and treatment are strictly for the cocktail	4350 NORTH PULASKI ROAD • CHICAGO 41
YOU BUY THE BEST	Another gay, sprightly song, this one in bright shuffle tempo. Orking and chanting, plus whis- tling, do well by this catchy, commercial ditty.	lounge. Who Has To? Hard-trying novelty uses sound effects generously, but doesn't add up to much. 596058	NEW AND USED 5¢ Blue or Brown Fronts\$ 75.00 10¢ Blue or Brown Fronts
SOLOTONE BOXES PERSONAL BOXES SOLOTONE SELECTION BOXES WRITE FOR PRICES	JOHNNY LONG ORK (Signature 15260) Gossip Perky novelty ditty. brightly done in Long's best collegiate style, should attract jockey in- terest. JOHNNY LONG ORK (Signature 15260) 79817575	The TD treatment of the current rhythm rage shapes up as the strong- est with-vocal version	10¢ Black Cherrys       130.00         25¢ Black Cherrys       135.00         5¢ Jewel Bells—Like New       165.00         25¢ Jewel Bells—Like New       175.00         50¢ Jewel Bells—Like New       175.00         50¢ Jewel Bell       Rebuilt       245.00         50¢ Pace       195.00       95.00         5-10-25¢ Melon Bells       95.00
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Original DALL OUN Gallery Chicago PISTOL ORDER TODAY:	Wildwood707070Rousing band and gal707070harmony work are effective on a "By the Sea"59585860type waltz tune.59585860Instrumental r h y t h m595860	pick up some coin. JAÑE PICKENS (Victor 20-3380) Be Mine Henri Rene's flavorful backing stands out here, 61626260	Adams 7254 CENTRAL OHIO COIN MACHINE EXCHANGE 525 S. High St. Columbus, Ohio
SALES COMPANY Exclusive AMI Distributors in N.Y. N.L.a. Conn. 593 10th Avenue 123 W. Runyon Street New York 18, N.Y. Newark 8, N. J.	special. LEO GUARNIERI QUARTET (Joanne Dee) (Villa VR 1001) Baby, Won't You Tell	but Miss Pickens' piping of the "La Paloma" adaptation is weak. I Dreamed I Heard an Organ Play 616261 Same situation here.	KOEPPEL'S BARGAINS All Reconditioned and Ready for Location. WURLITZER 616
LOngacre 4-1880 : Bigelow 3-8777	Me Why? Pleasant tune. chirping, and orking. Muffled re- cording offers an insur- mountable handicap how- ever. Stockin' Full of Blues 70775866	AL GRANT with LEON MERIAN ORK (King 15005) Lover's Gold Everything's right here: Grant's big, vibrant war- bling, Merian's class ork- ing, and the tune's	B00         175.00         81 C M         85.00           SEEBURG           Hi Tone, RC \$ 80.00 Lo Tone, RC \$135.00           146M, RC         \$350.00           1 Advance Roll         \$70.00           1 Auto Roll         \$80.00           1 Melody Roll         \$80.00           1 Singapore, RD         30.00           1 Gold Mine, RD         30.00
Return privilege within 10 days if not satisfied with our reconditioned equipment. WURLITZER 616	Fine modern piano here (brother Johnnie?) and excellent group vocal. JIMMY DORSEY ORK (Coral 60063) Cole Slaw Originally issued on Dec-	hauntingly impressive quality. Platter has the makings. This Day Is Mine Another outstanding ren- dition by singer and band of a fine ballad. 84848484	1/3 Deposit-Balance C. O. D. or S. D. KOEPPEL DISTRIBUTING CO. 629 10th Ave. New York 19, N. Y. Circle 6-8939
Fully repainted. Perfect condition. Ready for location. \$79.50 (Crated) Vs With Order, Balance C. O. D. Send for Complete List.	Originally issued on Dec- ca some years back as "Sorghum Switch," the side has been revived to ride the current flurry started by an Atlantic disk. JD's ork sounds fresh and modern, and the version should enjoy	THE UNITONES (London 432) St. Bernard Waltz 85868585 Lush, hand clapping waltz should have a big future. Full, warm-toned group singing, and tricky	FOR SALE Five Factory Reconditioned, Refinished and Guaranteed PANORAMS Like New-With Film-Make Offer SOUNDIES FILM, INC.
DAVID ROSEN, INC. Exclusive AMI Distributor 855 N. Broad St. Philadelphia 23, Pa. Stevenson 2-2903	some activity, Parade of the Milk Bottle Caps Also a re-issue, thia rhythm instrumental seems a bit pale by to- day's standards. 67696766	tap-dancing bit make up an especially catchy side.	GIVE TO THE RUNYON CANCER FUND





semi - calypso novelty. Johnston and Dean baritone duct support is fine, too. But total effort lacks that something special. 75--75--75--75 Great Guns Imported version lacks spark and beat of Whiting version of this Mercer-Warren tune. Right package could make Nichols a name singer overnight. DICK JAMES (London 430) A Million Miles Away 79--79--79--79 Chorus, Hammond organ and rhythm make excellent backing for James vocal. A Chapter in My Life 80--80--79--80 Called Mary Lack of name value will probably hold back a well-produced, well-recorded version of the new ballad that's showing promise. PRIMO SCALA ORK-THE KEYNOTES (London 409) 86--86--85--87 All Over Italy Could be that Scala will repeat his "Arches" hit, with this hummable, whistleable melody and easy-to-remember lyric. There's Nothing To Do In Sleepyville 80--80--80--80 Nothing distinguishes this one from previous Scala releases Makes a fine backing, tho, for a potential hit disk. THE WAYFARERS (London 370) In the Twi-Twi-Twilight 64--62--65--65 Treatment of a swingy waltz tune in the tradition of the carly 1900's has some period flavor. but the total effort lacks strength for the presentday market. When You Look in the Heart of a Shamrock 71--68--70--74 The Kenny Boys and Silver, from County Brill, penned this routine tribute to the land local

Irishmen dream about

but rarely return to. Gentle sob treatment

should win some tavern

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years as an instrumental, and in Katherine Grayson's vocal version. Altho this is a pretty dull job, it should enjoy fair retail and juke whirl. CLAUDE THORNHILL ORK (Victor 20-3376) 74--78--74--70 If I Forget You (Art Brown) Delicate, but full-bodied Thornhill treatment of the Irving Caesar oldie. It's pleasant for listening and dancing but hardly exciting. 75--78--74--73 Snowfall The Thornhill plano stands out on the band's concerto-style theme, a slow, moody opus that's . enjoyed a steady sale for some years in an earlier Columbia waxing. **BILL LAWRENCE** (Victor 20-3428) 76--76--77--75 A Million Miles Away Young Bill sounds smooth. Ork and tune are both fine, but disk lacks warmth and feeling. If I Could Be With You 82--84--82--80 Lawrence's handling of oldie has the comph this time. Intimacy makes this a fine disk. THE JOHNSTON BROTHERS (London 429) 67--70--65--65 Deep As the River Ork backing outclasses baritone duet on another fine, new Kramer-Whit-ney ballad. Portrait of Jennie 70--74--70--68 Late entry and lack of name value will hurt good treatment of pic tune; echo chamber and all. OLIVE MASON (Rondo R-181) After You've Gone 50--50--50--50 Waller-style first chorus was done better by Fats. Hampton - style second chorus was done better by the Hamp. 50--55--45--50 Sunday Poor production, plus soso vocal equals "not much." (Continued on page 124)

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# Sicking Observes Golden **Jubilee at Three-Day Party**

(Continued from page 98) and Marmer and their constituents had received over 100 floral tributes from friends in and out of the industry. All greatly enhanced the general atmosphere and added to the decorative theme laid out by Goldberg and Marmer for the occasion. Early bouquets included those from Sidney Brant, Exhibit Supply Company, Friedman Flower Shop, Genco Manufacturing & Sales Company; Ann and Ely Steinberg; Mel Binks, Universal Industries, ABT Manufacturing Company; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kanter, Ace Sales Company; Phonograph Operators' Association, George Sax; The Billboard; Morton Heldman, Peoples Bank & Savings Company; Sicking, Inc., employees; Cincinnati Glazing Company, Johnny Benson, Haskel Goldberg, R. C. Hood; Lynn Durant, United Manufacturing Company; Sicking gang, Los Angeles; Rudolph Wurlitzer Company, Ben Coven, Ray Moloney, Bally Manufacturing Company, Dave Gottlieb, Len Goldstein, Ralph, Herb

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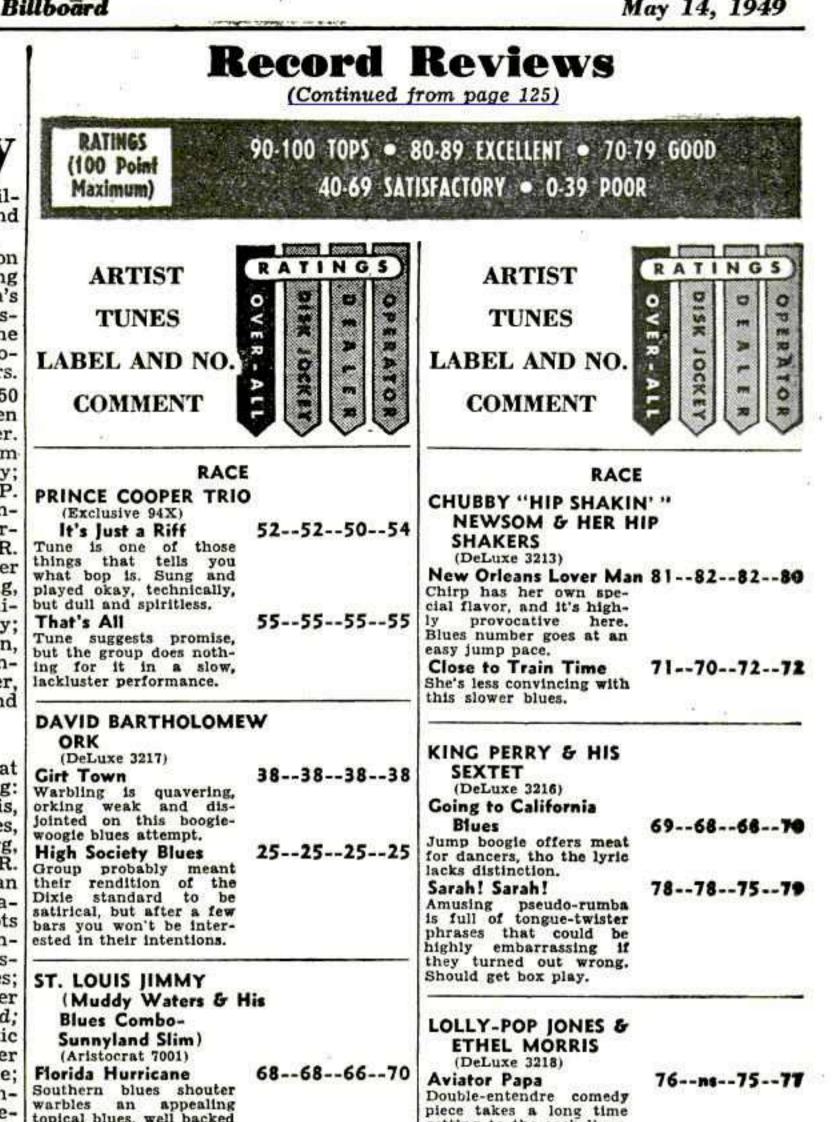
and Hayden Mills, R. N. Strange, Wil-By noon the first day, Goldberg liams Manufacturing Company and Globe Distributing Company.

> Attracting considerable attention were two plaques, both bearing congratulatory messages on the firm's 50 years in the coin machine industry, from Chicago Coin Machine Company and Bell-o-Matic Corporation and many of their distributors.

> By early Friday more than 50 congratulatory telegrams had been received by Goldberg and Marmer. Among the wires were those from G. B. Mills, Mills Sales Company; Dick Hood, Mills Industries, Inc.; P. O. Brandt, Brandt Distributing Company; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. Marcus, O. D. Jennnigs & Company; R. C. Haimbaugh, Rudolph Wurlitzer Company; Ed Worgler and gang, Wurlitzer Company; Jack Walsh, Chicago Metal Manufacturing Company; Paul G. Bowman, H. F. Dennison, Morry Goret, Lieberman Music Company, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Marmer, Atlantic Music Company, Eddie and Morry Ginsburg.

#### **Registration List**

The registration list, incomplete at press time, included the following: William Gersh, Cash Box; Joe Theis, Bally Manufacturing Co.; Bob Binnes, Lynn Industries; Aaron S. Ginsberg, Chicago Coin; Mark Walters and R. Bruns, Brookville, Ind., American Legion; Maurice Levitch, Stern Cigarette Vending Machine Co.; Boots Strange, Danville, Va.; C. M. Johnson, Globe Distributing; Sam E. Chester; Charles J. Kanter, Ace Sales; R. Shawhan; Bill Sachs, Bob Doepker and C. J. Latscha, The Billboard; Paul Himburg, Southern Automatic Music; B. H. Siegel; Jake Klavner and Art LeJeune, Federal Truck Line; Laurence Shankman; Herman Rosen-





small combo. Nice and Kind ues here doesn't have eshness and natural peal of flip, tho it's il performed.	65636567	but they're strong stuff. What's on Your Mind The duo looks like a fine comedy team, but lacks the material on this side.	6160626
INY BRADSHAW OR (Jack Fine) (Manor 1181) ide and Groom Boogie at orking and clean rbling by Jack Fine to make something weak material. <b>Shooter Junction</b> uffle - boogie rhythm n't do a thing with aterial of this ilk.		ERLINE "ROCK AND ROLL" HARRIS (DeLuxe 3220) Rock and Roll Blues Jump boogie is shouted with plenty of heart by the gal. Suggestive lyrics combined with the fine beat shape up a coin puller. Box Car Boogie Baby More rich material and full flavored obtening in	8380838 79768070
VANNAH CHURCHI (Ralph Hermann's	LL	full-flavored chirping in this slower blues side.	
Ork) (Manor 1180) on't Try To Explain the ballad is well-suited Miss Churchill's styl- r, altho the subtle cking aims it at the p field.	7878 <mark>78</mark> 78	PANAMA FRANCIS & HIS ORK (Gotham G-178) Darling, Make Up Your Mind Good little band, and vocalist Mary Louise	7173707
vannah Sings the Blues nthetic blues offering is itself out of the nning.	61626260	show considerable prom- ise, altho this particular tune isn't too commercial.	666566 <b>6</b> 4
(Victor 20-3379) old Hearted Woman utine blues neatly ndled by band and vo- list Jimmy Mitchelle.	RK 74757374	simple riff opus that doesn't shape up as any- thing special. The drum- mer, incidentally, sup- plies the only evidences of bop.	
ooklyn Bounce eady beat makes for e dance disk for those o haven't picked up bop.	73737373	Gravel-toned tenor sax	77757871
ORK (Victor 20-3430) oanin' the Blues mp blues doesn't come r. Thrush Annistene en, who shouts fine,	62606265	growls and honks thru a simple riff tune with a strong beat. Sanding Room Tenor is even rougher on this shuffle blues, but it just sounds like lack of tutoring in this case.	55545556
hampered by a repeti- us lyric, while ork ys loudly but doesn't anywhere.	<b></b>	THE FOUR TUNES (Manor 1173) Mister Sun	63646264
e Jimmy Carnes dis- ys a lyrical, easy war- ng style on this slow	¢/070668	Tenor-lead quartet sings well on poor choice of material.	
lad, but the final ef- t is slightly weak, ow- t to the fact that the ording doesn't have n far enough in front the ork.		The Sheik of Araby Again poor choice of ma- terial hinders good group. Same effort on tune not done so often could have meant lots more.	63646264



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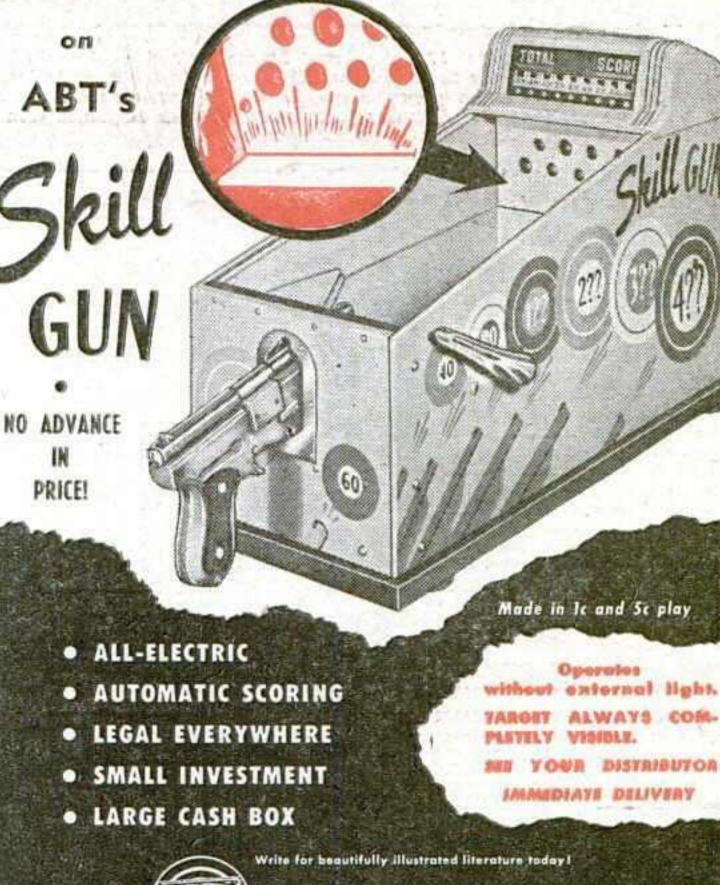
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# **Inter-Location Meets Make Patrons Shuffle-Conscious**

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Matches can be set up on a once, twice or three-times-a-week basis, and can be so set up that, while players draw lots for position on the schedule, no contestant plays more than one match per night.

#### Sandlot Loops

In larger cties, where shuffleboards have made inroads in certain sections, location owners who operate in the loop. their spots within a few blocks, or even miles, of a number of other rules and regulations set up for the shuffleboard-equipped spots, have sandlot leagues, it is also recombeen drawn together by enterprising mended that each team, register its operators, and sandlot leagues have roster with the league secretary. A

One rule which should be estab- as the inter-location tournaments. except that representatives from each of the spots in the sandlot loop meet and set up their rules simultaneously. so that uniform play will result.

> Home-and-home matches are usually the rule in the sandlot games. with all locations benefiting by the increased crowds.

> In many cases, trophies, instead of cash prizes have been used in the sandlot leagues. With more money to spend for the prizes, expensive trophies can be purchased, and a best tirree out of five, or the first three consecutive wins means the permanent possession plan can be followed.

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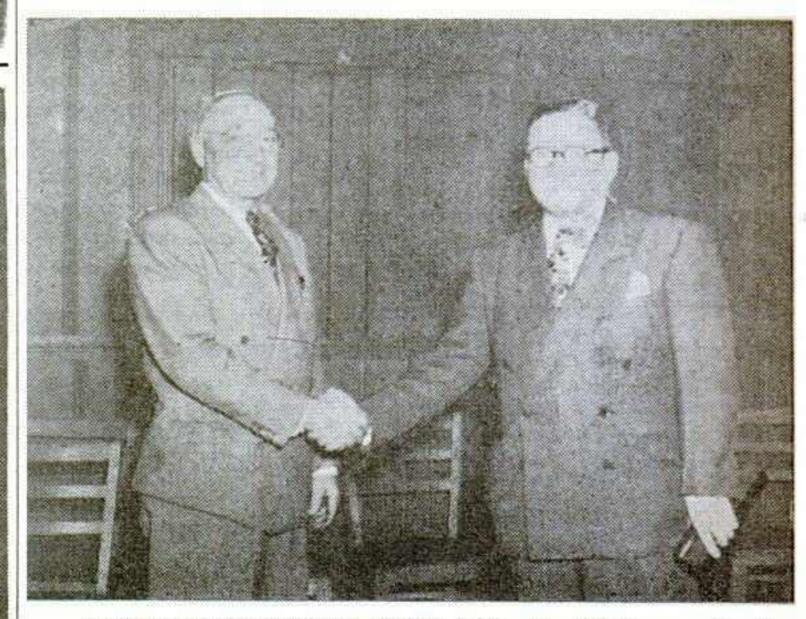
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KEENEY PRESIDENT PETE McGINNIS (left) wishes Bill Ryan smooth sailing following farewell luncheon at Syrena's in Chicago. Ryan resigned from Keeney's after nine years as a member of the firm's top management. He is now executive vice-president and general manager of O. D. Jennings & Company, with which he formerly was affiliated for 25 years. At the luncheon Dick Tennes and Fred Jung reviewed Keeney progress under Ryan and the late lack Keeney and presented Ryan with several farewell gifts in behalf of plant and office personnel.



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Reel and	Display) \$150.00

#### EXHIBIT

NEW EQUIPMENT	COURTER GAMES-NEW
Mutoscope Photomatic	Ideal Card Vendor\$ 19.50Shipman Art Show49.50Kicker & Catcher34.50Bally Heavy Hitter85.00Acme Shocker19.50Skill Thrill24.50Camera Chief19.50Bat-a-Ball With Stand24.50Whirl-a-Ball18.50Gottlieb Gripper25.00Groetchen Skill Test69.50
EXHIBIT	
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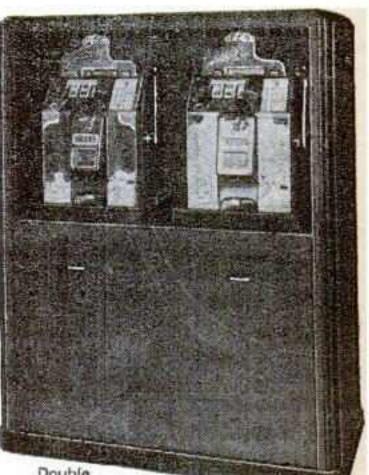
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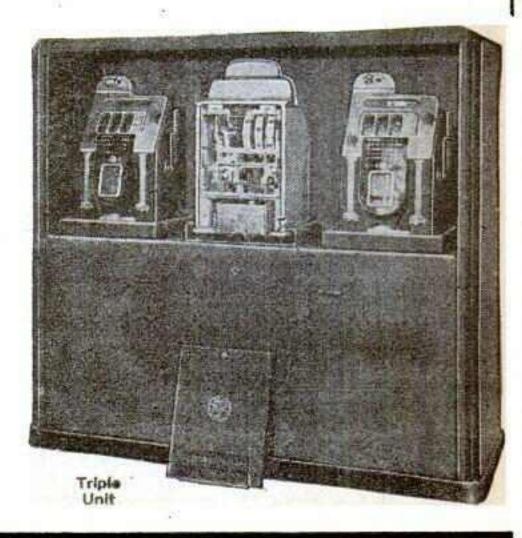
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#### CONSOLES

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Keeney Bonus Super Bell (Comb.),

#### ONE BALL FREE PLAY GAMES

Jockey	Spec	ia	L																				\$249.50
Special	Entr	Y			2																		149.50
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Four Dens, St Flay	
Mills Jumbo (Cash)	69.50
Late Model Evans Racers (Cash Only),	
54	425.00
Late Model Evans Racers (Comb.), 5t.	449.50
Late Model Evans Racers (NEW)	
(Comb.), 54	599.50
Buckley Track Odds, 54	299.50
Late Model Baker's Pacers (Like New)	349.50
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#### LATE 5-BALL F.P. GAMES

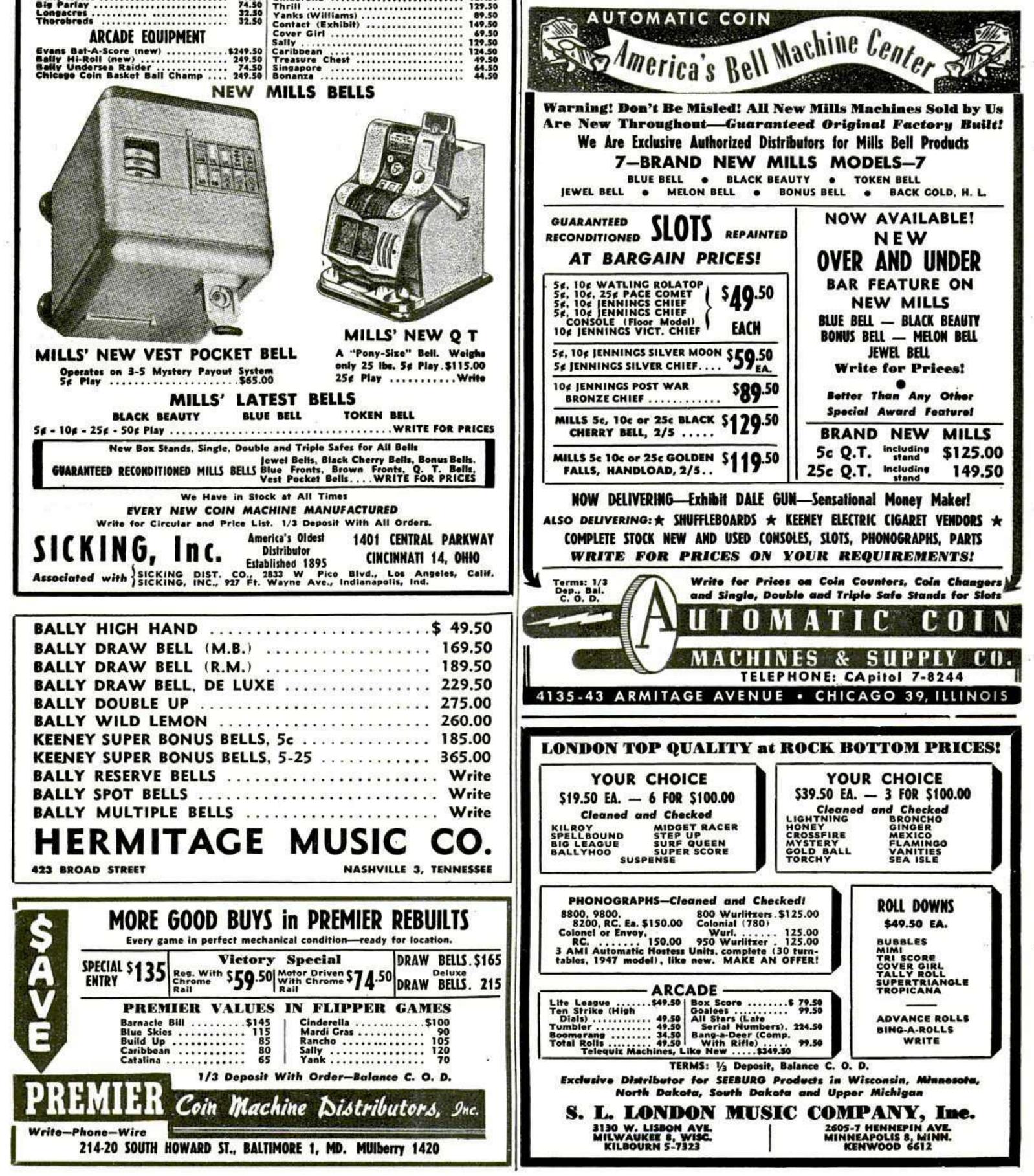
	Crazy Ball\$10	4.50
	Tropicana	19.50
and	Ramona 17	9.50
50	Summertime 13	32.50
50		9.50
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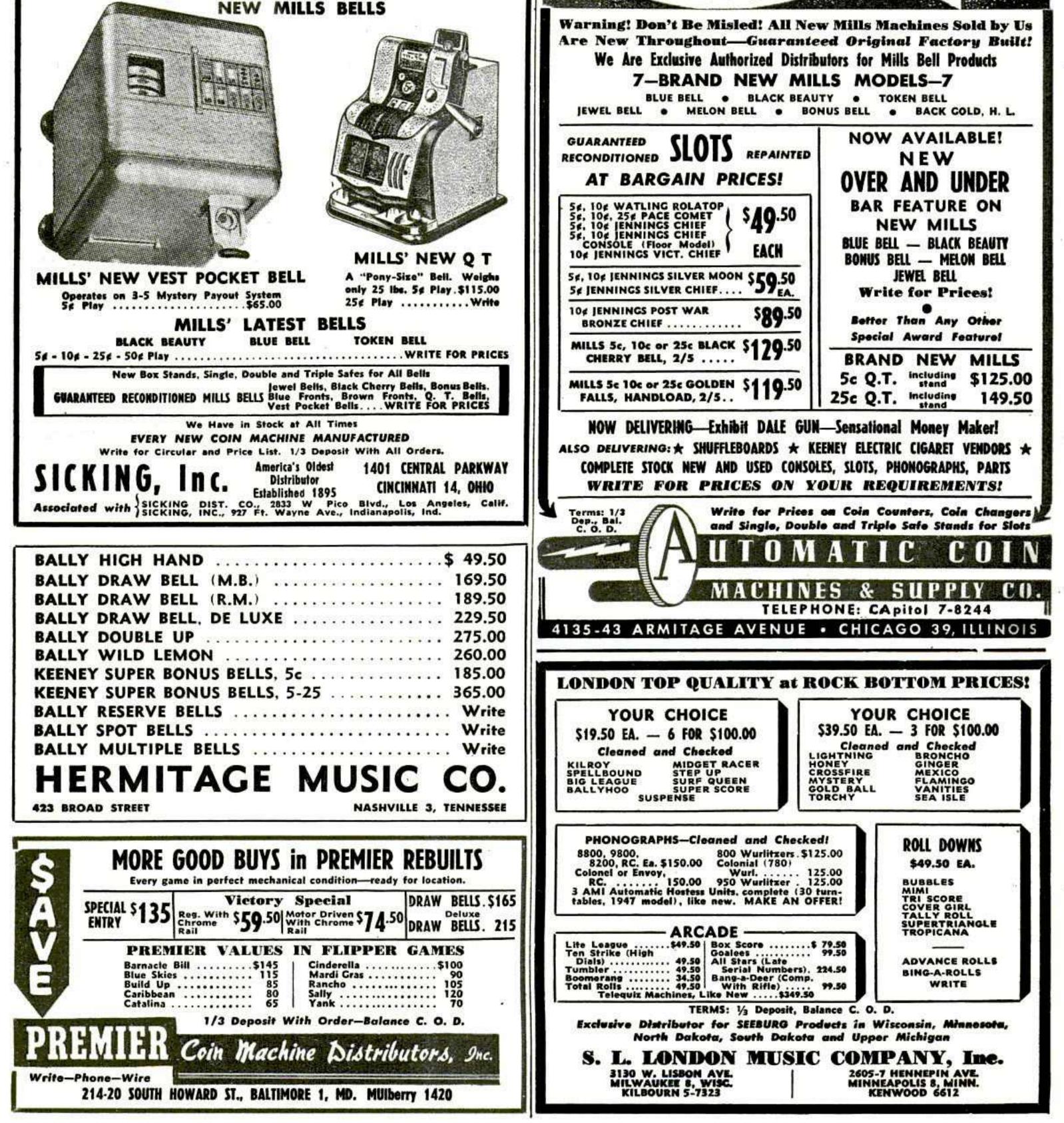
#### Columbia Wire Goes **To Larger Quarters**

CHICAGO, May 7. - Columbia Wire & Supply Company moved into new and larger quarters here this week. Firm supplies the coin machine, 'electrical, hardware and other industries with a varied line of products, including wiring harnesses, cord sets and various types of wire and wire products.

Columbia's new plant occupies almost an entire city block, providing greater production and inventory space.







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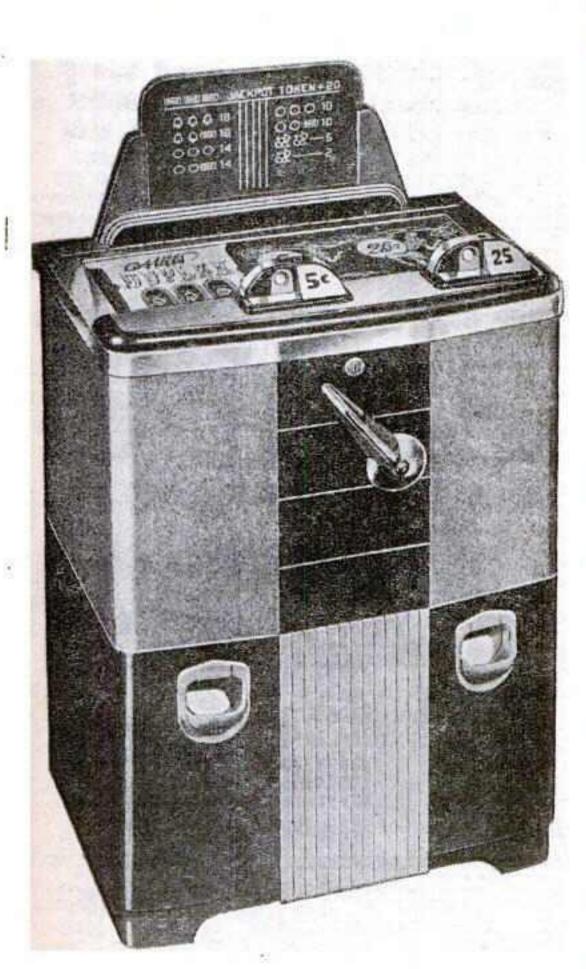
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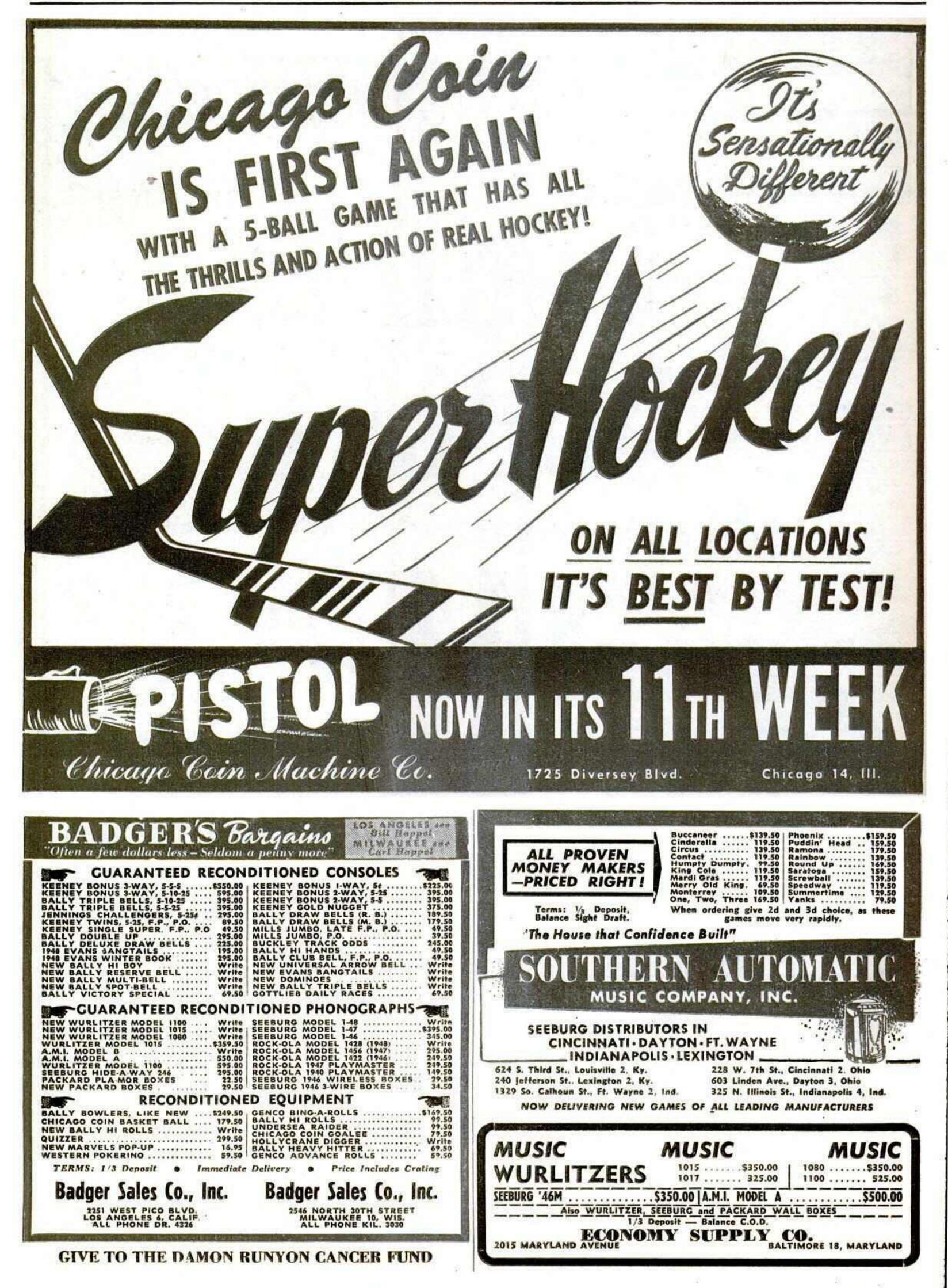
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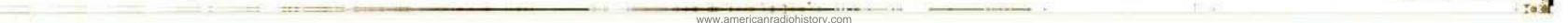
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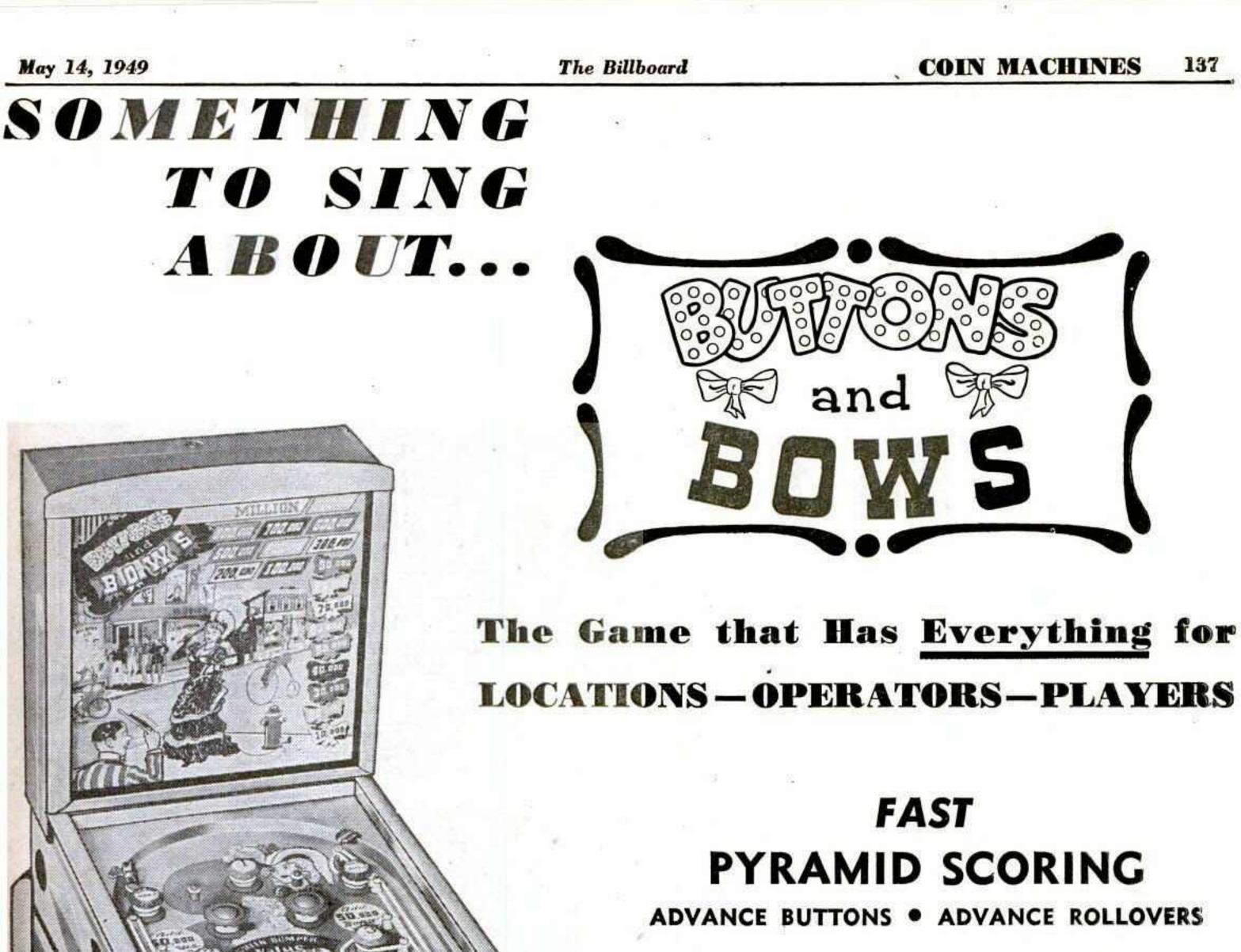
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