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RECORD WORLD



**Who In The World:
Rose Royce**

HITS OF THE WEEK

SINGLES

EARTH, WIND & FIRE, "SERPENTINE FIRE" (prod. by Maurice White) (writers: M. White-V. White-S. Burke) (Kallimba, ASCAP) (3:42). The sound is the thing here, with percussion, guitars and brass creating an infectious rhythmic environment for a basic, frequently-repeated lyric. It should follow EW&F's past hit pattern. Columbia 3-10625.

ABBA, "MONEY, MONEY, MONEY" (prod. by Benny Andersson & Bjorn Ulvaeus) (writers: same as prod.) (Artwork, ASCAP) (3:05). Perhaps ABBA's most complex yet, this single combines Brecht-Weill overtones with a typically sound ABBA pop structure. The ironic lyric goes well with a haunting, music-hall-style tune. Atlantic 3434.

EMOTIONS, "DON'T ASK MY NEIGHBORS" (prod. by Maurice White) (writer: S. Scarborough) (Unichappell, BMI) (3:33). Following a fine number one hit, "Best Of My Love," this ballad should solidify the Emotions' place on pop and r&b lists. The vocal work is outstanding, and conveys a sincerity that lovers everywhere should appreciate. Columbia 3-10622.

DARYL HALL & JOHN OATES, "WHY DO LOVERS (BREAK EACH OTHER'S HEART?)" (prod. by Christopher Bond) (writers: D. Hall-S. Allen) (Hot-Cha/Unichappell, BMI) (3:13). This loping rock song in 3/4 time blends a timeless question with the duo's proved pop flair. The guitar work, which dominates the sound, is a valuable addition. RCA 11132.

SLEEPERS

RAM JAM, "KEEP YOUR HANDS ON THE WHEEL" (prod. by Kasenetz & Katz) (writers: Millius-Graves) (Adbredar, ASCAP) (2:45). If "Black Betty" was one of the year's most gratifying examples of a good song rising to the top, this follow-up should show Ram Jam is no fluke. Their allegiance to rock is unswerving, their humor intact. Epic 8-50451.

BOB WELCH, "SENTIMENTAL LADY" (prod. by Lindsey Buckingham & Christine McVie) (writer: Welch) (WB, ASCAP) (2:51). The Fleetwood Mac original has been an FM favorite for years, and Welch's version of his own song (with Christine McVie helping on vocals) should do much to establish his solo career with pop audiences. Capitol 4479.

JEFF LYNNE, "DOIN' THAT CRAZY THING" (prod. by Jeff Lynne) (writer: Lynne) (Unart/Jet, BMI) (3:25). The ELO leader's solo effort is indeed a disco record, but with the sort of added effects one would expect—phased vocals, unusual keyboard instrumentation, and a sense of humor that could enliven the genre. Jet 1060 (UA).

FLOWER, "RUN TO ME" (prod. by Stuart Alan Love & David Chackler) (writers: B., M. & R. Gibb) (Casserole/Front-wheel/Unichappell, BMI) (3:20). A new artist makes her debut with a smooth cover of the Bee Gees hit, the lyrics having been modified a bit. It should find favor with both MOR and pop audiences this season. United Artists 1092.

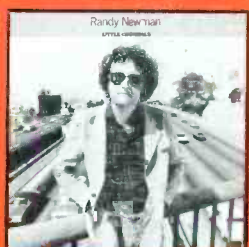
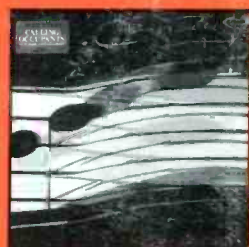
ALBUMS

LEO SAYER, "THUNDER IN MY HEART." Emerging from near obscurity to a platinum status artist with his last lp, Sayer has come a long way during the past year. That success should be furthered with this second collaboration with producer Richard Perry. The title song is already scoring with its very appealing, semi-disco beat. Warner Bros. BSK 3089 (6.98).

CARPENTERS, "PASSAGE." This long awaited set from the duo touches on traditional Carpenters tunes ("I Just Fall In Love Again"), but is noteworthy for the way it branches out in both material and production. Klaatu's "Calling Occupants" is a departure as is "Man Smart, Woman Smarter" (recently covered by Robert Palmer). A&M SP-4703 (7.98).

RANDY NEWMAN, "LITTLE CRIMINALS." It's always worth waiting for a new Randy Newman album. After a period of almost three years marked by only infrequent appearances, he has finally re-emerged with another collection of new songs. "Short People" and "Sigmund Freud . . ." should be a couple of the instant favorites. Warner Bros. BSK 3079 (6.98).

BILLY JOEL, "THE STRANGER." With an opus titled "Scenes From An Italian Restaurant" as the centerpiece, Joel's latest lp stands to be his biggest to date. Comparisons will once again be made to Elton John and maybe even Peter Dinklage as he fuses lyric and melody into a series of forceful statements. Watch for "Just the Way You Are." Columbia JC 34987 (7.98).



**RADIO CONTACT
HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED:
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"PASSAGE," marks the beginning of a transition that has taken Carpenters into a new and uncharted realm of musical communication.

Radio response to the album's first single, "Calling Occupants Of Interplanetary Craft," confirms once again that Karen and Richard are stars of the first magnitude.

Carpenters **"PASSAGE"** SP 4703 on A&M Records and Tapes

Featuring "Calling Occupants Of Interplanetary Craft." AN 1978

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RECORD WORLD

Royalty Tribunal Officially Named; Group Faces Possible Court Challenge

By MICHAEL SHAIN

■ WASHINGTON—Even as President Carter announced his five nominations to the newly-created Copyright Royalty Tribunal, the future of the rate-setting panel was shrouded in possible efforts to re-organize it out of existence and the strong likelihood of court challenges to its constitutionality.

It is not as if the Tribunal has not already had its fair share of uncertainty. The White House delayed announcement of the panel's first five members for more than five months after the legal deadline of last April 19. The five will be, as previously reported, Thomas Brennan, Douglas Coulter, Mary Lou Burg, Frances Garcia, and Clarence James. Brennan, Coulter, and Burg were nominated for seven year terms, Garcia and James to five year terms. They now await confirmation by the Senate.

But looming not too far off on the horizon is the long-suspected possibility of a court challenge to the Tribunal's legality. At issue, if such a suit comes, will be the constitutionality of the panel's

non-Executive branch status. The Tribunal is a division of the Library of Congress, a Congressional agency, and gets its funding directly from Congress without Executive oversight. The President's only function with the new agency is the nomination of its members, a last-minute concession to the traditional power of appointment that has been the White House's, by Congress when it passed the copyright revision act last fall. The suit will likely be filed on the grounds that Congress is attempting to administer a law

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Phonodisc Will Distribute Capricorn

■ NEW YORK—Capricorn Records will be distributed by Phonodisc, effective immediately, with the first records under the new pact to ship this week. Agreement was reached between Capricorn president Phil Walden and Phonodisc officials last Wednesday (28).

The two-year agreement will give Phonodisc distribution rights

CBS Raising Wholesale Album Prices; Retailers, One Stops Accept 'The Inevitable'

By MIKE FALCON and DAVID MCGEE

■ NEW YORK—CBS Records notified its customers last week that the wholesale cost of its "J" series—\$7.98 list price album—will be raised from \$3.84 to \$3.96 for rack jobbers and one-stops, and from \$4.13 to \$4.24 for dealers, bringing album prices in line with tape configurations. The price hike is effective October 10.

Retailers and one-stop operators expressed concern about the price hike, especially one-stop operators who feel it signals the beginning of the end for their businesses. As prices go up, one-stops are increasingly unable to

maintain acceptable profit margins without raising costs significantly to their customers, who in turn are finding it more realistic to buy directly from manufacturers.

Retailers in general feel that the recent price hike leaves them with no choice but to raise prices in their stores. Large chain operations, it is agreed, will most likely be able to pass on at least a portion of the increase to consumers without damaging profit margins. However, owners of small retail operations share one-stops' concern about the future and viability of their businesses. Ma and pa outlets can ill afford to raise retail costs substantially and still be able to compete in

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Meco Single Enjoys Second Week at Top

By LENNY BEER

■ Meco (Millennium) held off a strong pack of contenders to score its second week at the top with the "Star Wars" theme. The single remains solid across the

board in airplay and sales, which was enough to hold back KC & the Sunshine Band (TK), Shaun Cassidy (Warner/Curb), Debby Boone (Warner/Curb) and Carly Simon (Elektra). All of these singles are

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Chart Analysis

"We have not sold any interest in the company," he said. "All our stockholders are the same as they were."

Capricorn will work with Phonodisc on merchandising and sales, Walden continued, but the distributor will have no role in

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Mazza Heading Capitol's New Label

■ LOS ANGELES—Capitol Industries-EMI, Inc., last week confirmed that a new second label is being created by the company, with operations expected to kick off early next year. In an official statement from president and chief executive officer Bhaskar Menon, Capitol Records marketing VP Jim Mazza was named to head the as yet unnamed division.

Although industry sources asserted such a move was already on Capitol's agenda by mid-August, when the company held national meetings in San Diego, label execs have declined further comment on appointments with-

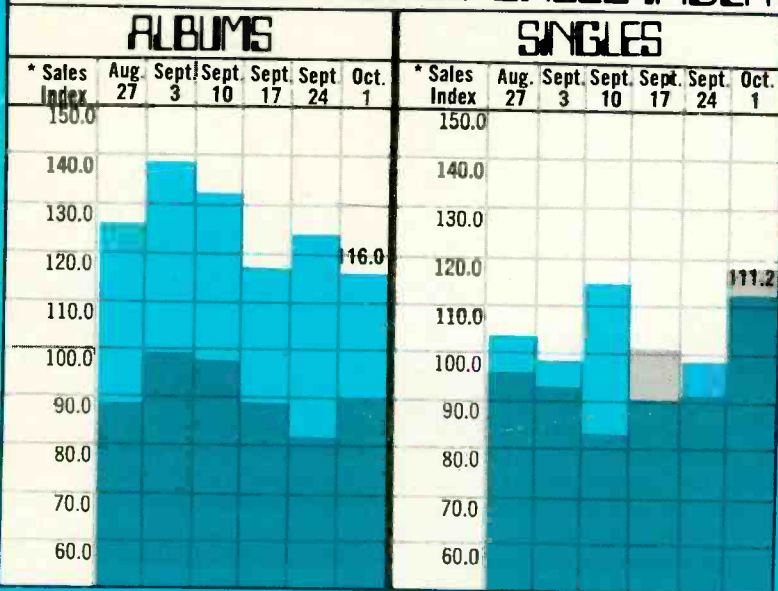


Jim Mazza

in the new arm or its probable size and structure. But Menon's announcement, which attributed the decision to Capitol-EMI's

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THE RECORD WORLD SALES INDEX



1977 Figure

1976 Figure

* The Record World Sales Index is based on a broad cross-section of quantitative sales data reported to Record World from retailers, rack jobbers and one-stops across the country. The base figure for both the singles and album indices is a smoothed average of these quantitative reports during periods in March, 1976, with each weekly figure being a percentage increase or decrease on the base. The base figure for both singles and albums is 100.0.

Radio Executives Take Issue with NATD Over 'Free Talent' Charges

By LUKE LEWIS

■ NASHVILLE — In response to last month's meeting here between members of the Nashville Association of Talent Directors (NATD), label representatives and John McDonald of the FCC (RW, Sept. 24), the consensus from radio executives is that they have been unjustly attacked by the booking agencies.

"When you are dealing with radio stations and you take something to the FCC, then you are definitely trying to create unrest," said Jim Walton, president of WITL in Lansing, Mich.

Putting radio on notice that any request for, or use of, free talent for station-sponsored events will be brought to the attention of the FCC was the precise intent of the NATD at the Nashville meeting.

The bookers have been plagued by the frequent radio station practice of sponsoring shows utilizing free talent supplied by record companies. One agent reported that his agency alone lost more than \$250 thousand a year in bookings as a result of his artists doing free "appreciation

Hakim 20th's Intl. VP

■ LOS ANGELES—Bill Donnelly, executive vice president, Twentieth Century-Fox Record Corporation, has announced the appointment of Jack Hakim to the newly-created position of vice president, international.



Jack Hakim

Hakim most recently was VP, promotion and artist relations.

dates" for radio stations.

Craig Scott, vice president of programming for Plough Broadcasting, which owns WPLO in Atlanta, summed up the feelings of broadcasters when he told RW, "If the bookers are so upset about this, and to a degree I can understand why they are, then my own feeling would be that they should take that gripe and apply whatever pressure they have, if any, to the record labels."

Members of the NATD, who are responsible for booking a majority of the nation's country music performers, called the Sept. 13 meeting with label representatives with that intent but the meeting was terminated before any meaningful dialogue between the two parties could develop. Many bookers had hopes that McDonald would disclose guidelines which would prompt the labels and radio stations to discontinue the practice. The FCC representative offered no such firm opinions other than pointing out that an obvious problem would develop if a "radio station somehow communicated with the artist to come play for free in return for record play. The licensee's obligation would be to employ some kind of measures to insure that the station's programming isn't influenced by the fact that free
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Hollywood Records: New Chain in Phoenix

By MIKE FALCON

■ PHOENIX — The expanding Phoenix market has another chain of record stores with the corporate name change and attendant merchandising emphasis shift of what were formerly Cheap Records. In an attempt to merchandise more aggressively, the six stores, with three outlets in Phoenix and one each in Paradise Valley, Mesa, and Scottsdale, have changed their name to Hollywood Records.

D'Ariano Named To Casablanca N.Y. Post

■ LOS ANGELES — As part of a major expansion of Casablanca operations in New York, executive vice president Larry Harris has announced the appointment of Ray D'Ariano as director of east coast artist relations. D'Ariano will head the label's office in New York, and in addition to his duties as artist relations director, will represent Casablanca in a&r, public relations and AOR promotion.



Ray D'Ariano

D'Ariano comes to Casablanca from MCA Records, where he served as VP, promotion.

Two Nugent Albums Certified Platinum

■ NEW YORK—For the first time since January, 1976, when the RIAA began certifying platinum albums, an artist has qualified for two such awards on the same day. Last week, Epic Records announced that Ted Nugent's "Cat Scratch Fever" and "Free For All" had each passed the one million unit mark in sales.

"It gives us a chance to do constant promotions and innovative merchandising tie-ins," explained Stuart Grant, advertising and special projects coordinator of Concepts Advertising, which is also owned by parent company Associated Distributors. "It also makes the stores, as I see it, more adaptable and thus more viable in the market," added the executive.

Party

Principals Leonard and Angela Singer, who own a one stop and three Circles Records stores, heralded the name change with a large party at the Scottsdale Hollywood Records store on September 27, in which numerous manufacturers were represented along with area radio powers KPUD, KRIZ, KRUX, KXTC, KQXE, KBBC, KDKB and KOY.

The Hollywood Records stores are primarily pop-oriented retail locations, and will offer albums at three basic price structures to customers.



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Powerhouse Picks

(Due to airplay and sales in projectable markets, these records exhibit top five potential)

Rita Coolidge (A&M) "We're All Alone."

As "Higher and Higher" is removed from power rotation, the path is cleared for the inevitable explosion on this new one—top 10 in Nashville and top 15 in Atlanta already. Early sales are a big plus.



Serpent Power!

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Fleetwood Mac, Meco Again Top Charts

Ronstadt LP Explodes

By Lenny Beer

■ Fleetwood Mac (WB) is again the #1 album as it records its nineteenth week at the top with an easy victory over the #2 "Star Wars" (20th Century), and the fast charging Linda Ronstadt (Asylum), which has blasted into the #3 position. The reports on "Star Wars" are beginning to slow, so the main competition for the top appears to be Ronstadt and Chicago (Columbia), which moved to 11 bullet in its second week of availability. Otherwise, the only other bulleting record in the top 10 was Foreigner (Atlantic), which has advanced to the #16 position.

Other excitement on the top part of the chart this week was generated by the Doobie Brothers (WB), struggling a bit without a hit single to date but strong enough to land at #13; Foghat (Bearsville), still exploding in the middle of the country and beginning to spread; Meco (Millennium), spreading slowly but steadily each week; Barry White (20th Century), with one of the most explosive albums of his career moving to #26 in only its fourth week on the top 100; Heatwave (Epic), selling well both pop and r&b on their first release, buoyed by a top 10 single; Rose Royce (Whitfield), exploding r&b and crossing pop in the middle of the country; and Brick (Bang), with the south far ahead on this the group's second straight gold album.

Of special interest is the solid initial reaction to the double live

Realignment in Motown Sales Dept.

■ LOS ANGELES — Mike Lushka, Motown's executive VP, general manager, marketing, has announced a realignment and dispersion of certain staff responsibilities, implementing a stronger sales force for the company. In the reorganization, Dan Chaskey has been promoted from east coast regional sales manager to national album and tape field sales manager based on the east coast. Also named is Charlie Salah, who has been moved into a slot in which he services national accounts out of Detroit.

Besides Lushka's duties as executive VP, general manager, marketing, the department is further augmented with Steve Jack, director of album and tape sales, and Miller London, national retail account and singles sales manager.

set by the Rolling Stones (Rolling Stones). It debuts this week at #31 with Chartmaker of the week honors and the strong chance for a quick ascension into the top 10 when stock is available across the board. The album received some #1 reports from accounts where ample stock was received early enough for reporting purposes.

Also making strong sales gains this week were Rush (Mercury), with the first legs up on their biggest album to date; Robin Trower (Chrysalis), with continued positive growth on his latest; the Blackbyrds (Fantasy), with the second straight strong sales week on their pop, r&b and jazz hit; and Steve Martin (WB), with what could be the biggest comedy album of the year.

New on the top 100 besides the Rolling Stones were Diana Ross (Motown), with her Richard Perry produced album receiving out-of-the-box sales; Townshend/Lane (MCA), with one of the new hot rockers for the fall; Billy Joel (Columbia), with solid initial strength on his latest; Steely Dan (ABC), in partial distribution and receiving immediate sell-through where available; Karla Bonoff (Columbia), with one of the sales surprises of the early fall; Pockets (Columbia), another in the progressive jazz vein that is taking off in sales, and Bob Welch (Capitol), with a Fleetwood Mac spinoff starting to take off.

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moving along at a steady sales clip and appear headed for gold status. KC is heading for the fifth number one single, Cassidy has just passed gold for the second time from his debut album, Boone is the fast breaking radio hit of the year, and Carly Simon is looking for her first charttopper since "You're So Vain" four and one half years ago.

There were quite a few strong selling singles waiting outside the top 10 for a space. Donna Summer (Casablanca) is now filling in some last minute white markets to push it to #12, Ronnie McDowell (Scorpion) is still being shunted by radio stations but deluged by purchasers at #13, the Commodores (Motown) are a solid #15, and Barry White (20th Century) is exploding to #18 while maintaining the top spot on The R&B Singles Chart for the third consecutive week.

Further down the list it is interesting to see which artists will be breaking wide open with hit singles for the big sales push months. Crystal Gayle (UA) is on the verge of having her first big crossover success and giving the label the female star that it has lacked. Chicago (Columbia) is the first of the big name groups to release product for the fall and their initial single has proven to be an automatic with most top 40 stations. Rita Coolidge (A&M) is well on her way to her second

big hit from her "Anytime" album that has quickly placed her among the major female stars. With this second hit, a double platinum album is expected for the artist, who has missed quite a few times before finding her success. Seals & Crofts (WB), whose career has been cool for the past year, now have a strong chance to explode before the holiday buying season with the "Theme from 'One On One'" and reactivate their catalogue, and Judy Collins (Elektra), another artist with a wealth of catalogue potential, appears on the verge of her first hit in some time with the re-release of her classic version of Stephen Sondheim's "Send In the Clowns."

New Entries

New on the chart with bullets this week were Linda Ronstadt (Asylum), with the second release from her new album splitting play in some areas and receiving solo play in others; Leo Sayer (WB), with the first from his new album; James Taylor (WB), with the second release from his platinum "JT" set; the Carpenters (A&M), with their version of Klaatu's "Calling Occupants;" Jacksons (Epic), with immediate response to their latest; Roger Daltrey (MCA), with Andy Pratt's "Avenging Annie;" Crawler (Epic), and Bob Welch (Capitol).

New Capitol Label

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continued growth and expansion, did verify that the label will have its own staff, distinct from the Capitol label.

New Roster

"The new label will allow us to create a new artist roster," Menon said. "It will be an organization with its own key staff of professionals set up in a parallel construction to that of Capitol Records. This new label will open the door to greater opportunities for both artists and our staff."

Earlier reports had asserted that Capitol was already lining up staff from its existing operation, but as clarified by one label source and underscored by Menon's official commentary, it is believed that, while current Capitol staffers will be offered posts, actual appointments have yet to be made.

In the interim, Mazza continues in his present post, reporting to Don Zimmermann, Capitol's executive vice president and chief operating officer.

REGIONAL BREAKOUTS

Singles

East:

Eric Carmen (Arista)
Chicago (Columbia)

South:

LTD (A&M)
Jimmy Buffett (ABC)
Rita Coolidge (A&M)

Midwest:

Eric Carmen (Arista)
Linda Ronstadt (Asylum)
Rita Coolidge (A&M)
Peter Brown (Drive)
LTD (A&M)
Chicago (Columbia)

West:

Linda Ronstadt (Asylum)
Eric Carmen (Arista)
Chicago (Columbia)

Albums

East:

Rolling Stones (Rolling Stones)
Billy Jeel (Columbia)
Diana Ross (Motown)
Pockets (Columbia)
Steve Martin (Warner Bros.)

South:

Rolling Stones (Rolling Stones)
Ashford & Simpson (Warner Bros.)
Billy Joel (Columbia)

Midwest:

Rolling Stones (Rolling Stones)
Diana Ross (Motown)
Townshend/Lane (MCA)

West:

Diana Ross (Motown)
Townshend/Lane (MCA)
Rolling Stones (Rolling Stones)

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Record Plant To Build New Studio in Malibu

By PAT BAIRD

■ NEW YORK—Roy Cicala, president of The Record Plant, New York, has announced plans for the construction of a new recording facility to be located in Malibu Canyon, Calif. and to be named Malibu Sound.

The three-building complex, slated to be opened by late 1978, will be designed in pyramid shape using the basic recording premise that no two opposite walls should be the same. Cicala used this basic theory in the pyramid shaped mixing room opened in the New York studio last year.

The largest of the three pyramids will be 10,000 square feet at the base and will house three additional pyramid shaped studios measuring 2500 square feet each. The walls of each studio will be acoustically balanced with alternating flat squares and three-dimensional triangles. The checkerboard configuration will be re-

movable in order to change the basic acoustics of the room. In addition, each room will be equipped with fiberglass and lead draperies, motorized and operated from the control room, which will mechanically change the frequency response of each studio. Plans also call for underground echo chambers and both stationary and portable vocal booths.

Recording equipment for each studio is now being designed by API and will include the DC operated consoles. All equipment for Malibu Sound is being designed in conjunction with the Record Plant staff.

Charles Moore, head of the architectural department at U.C.L.A., is designing the complex which will also include a six-bedroom residence and separate mastering facility.

According to Cicala, the cost of the Malibu property and construction of the one giant pyramid, is estimated at \$2.3 million.

Vee Jay Acquires Catalyst Records

■ LOS ANGELES — Betty Chiappetta, Vee Jay International president, has announced the acquisition of the U.S. distribution of Catalyst Records, the jazz label just purchased by LTD productions from Springboard Records.

Effective immediately, Vee Jay will assume marketing and distribution of all 22 albums in the Catalyst catalogue. Supporting the acquisition of Catalyst, Chiappetta has installed three industry veterans, Joe Morrow, Pat Britt and Michael Ochs, in key positions.

NAIRD Names Two Officers

■ DETROIT — NAIRD, The National Association of Independent Record Distributors and Manufacturers, has announced the appointment of two new officers. Bruce Iglauer, president of Alligator Records, has been appointed a trustee of the organization, bringing the board of trustees up to five members.

Sheila Cogan, president of Bay Records (San Francisco), already a NAIRD trustee, has been chosen to serve as treasurer of the organization.

FCC's Report Plays Down Quad System Differences

By MICHAEL SHAIN

■ WASHINGTON — The debate among audio engineers over which quadrophonic system is best will continue, but the Federal Communications Commission says that the average, untrained listener cannot tell the difference between the competing methods. That opinion is contained in an FCC engineers' report released on subjective listening tests of four competing quad systems. The study is part of the FCC's deliberation's on which quad system to approve for broadcast use. The FCC decision ultimately may help to determine which quad system will become the standard.

Technically, the quad competition is between two methods of transmitting four-channel sound, matrix and discrete. The matrix method—adopted by CBS, Sansui, and the British Broadcasting Corporation—takes four channels of sound, encodes them into two channels at the source, and unravels the two back into four at the receiver. The discrete method—used by RCA—keeps all four channels separate from source to receiver.

The two methods have been in competition for almost five years now in the home equipment market and on records and tapes. Which system is most acceptable to broadcasters and the FCC, however, is a different area.

The matrix, or 4-2-4, method, does not require a change in FCC spectrum allocation, but merely a type-acceptance approval of the equipment. The discrete, or 4-4-4, method needs more spectrum space to broadcast its four signals and would require the FCC to approve the shaving down of the width of side bands, the buffers between separate signals, to make room. FCC acceptance of nar-

rower side bands necessary for 4-4-4 broadcasting would be crucial to the future of the discrete method as a marketable line of audio equipment, since the two methods are not compatible.

Proponents of discrete quad argue that the 4-2-4 method is not "true" four channel because the two combined channels cannot be separated at the receiver without some adulteration of the back-speaker signals.

The tests "show that the present 4-2-4 systems . . . compare favorably with the 'discrete' 4-4-4 system," FCC's Chief Engineer's Office said, "with respect to musical preference and quadrophonic location."

The commission not only tested the systems for the listeners' preferences when broadcasting in four-channel, but for how well the systems fared when four-channel equipment was used to receive stereo and mono signals. These tests were significant to the all-important question of compatibility, since not all radio stations will be broadcast in quad even after an FCC decision.

In the all-quad tests (i.e. four-channel systems being received in four channels), the discrete 4-4-4 system was the "majority choice," the test results showed, but only by a slight margin. When the quad systems were "folded down" to stereo and mono, however, CBS's SQ system (4-2-4) was the "preferred system." The 4-4-4 method ranked second, ahead of two other matrix systems.

Since consumers are unlikely to buy two separate systems—discrete quad for records and tapes played at home, and matrix for radio listening—the report is a blow to the hopes of the 4-4-4 proponents.

CBS Honors Black Caucus



CBS Records recently hosted a reception at the Washington Hilton to honor the 7th Annual Congressional Black Caucus. Philadelphia International Records also co-sponsored a reception for U.N. Ambassador Andrew J. Young. During the Caucus' annual dinner a check for \$12,500 was donated by CBS to the Caucus-sponsored Intern Program. Pictured at the CBS reception are, at left: Columbia artist Bill Withers; Bruce Lundvall, president CBS Records; Walter Yetnikoff, president CBS Records Group,

and "Roots" author Alex Haley. (Center) LeBaron Taylor, vice president of special markets, CBS Records; Marlena Shaw, Columbia recording artist, and U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Andrew Young and his wife. (Right) Congresswomen Yvonne Braithwaite-Burke and Shirley Chism accept a check on behalf of the Intern Program from Bruce Lundvall and LeBaron Taylor. Congressman Ronald Dellums is at far right.

Just some of the nice things people are saying about Cheap Trick's new album:

"...unbridled zeal is not misplaced in a discussion of Cheap Trick." *Prairie Sun*

"I've heard these songs 40 times and have no idea what the subject matter of any of them might be." *Dave Marsh, Rolling Stone*

"It Rocks and Rolls Like Crazy." *Madcities Music Sheet*

"Next Year's Biggest Band Today?" *Circus*

"The record is more inflammatory than...any of the moron school of punch-drunk cretins who furnish the violent aspirations of a billion skull-bashing retards." *New Musical Express*

"If you buy one hard rock album this year, make it 'Cheap Trick In Color.'" *Bruce Meyer, UPI*

"If the critics like it, they're right." *Rick Nielsen, Cheap Trick*

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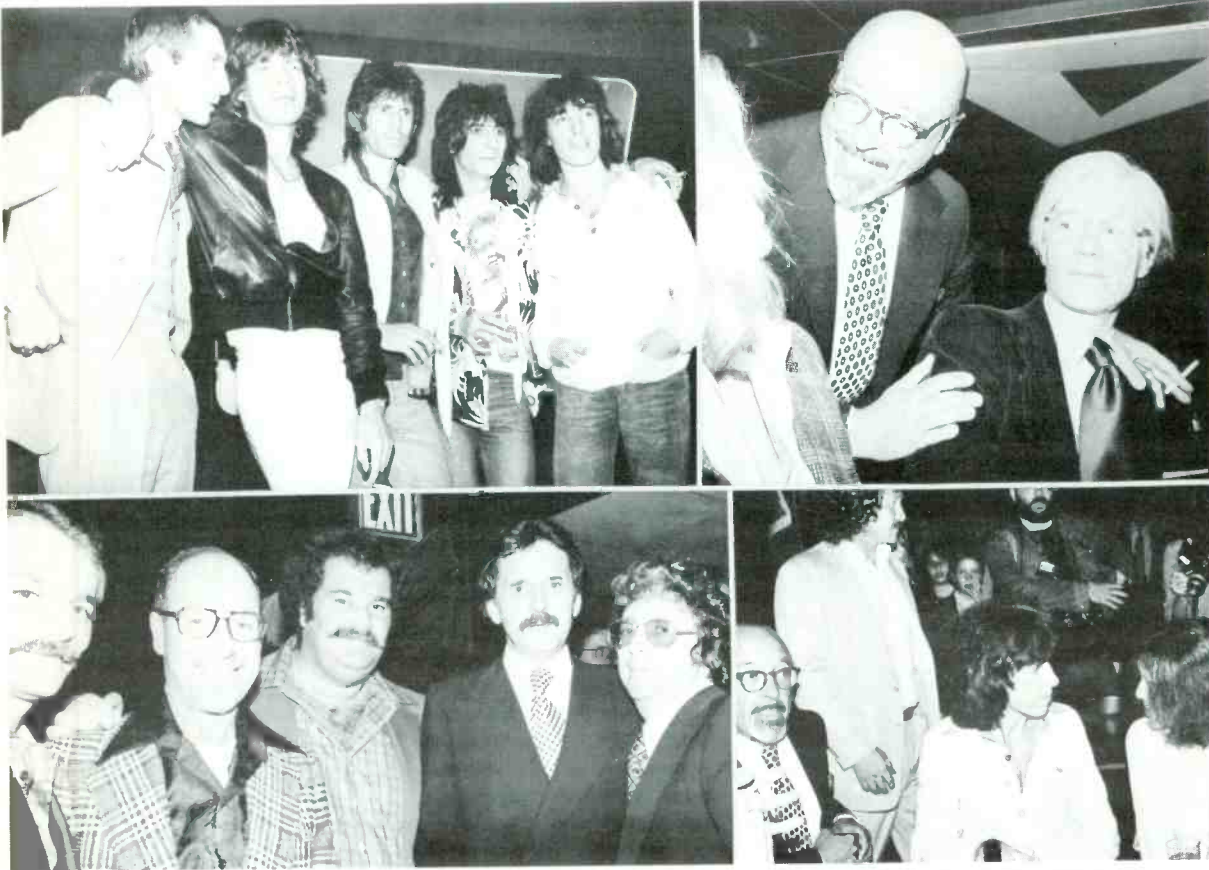
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Rolling Stones Bash



Atlantic and Rolling Stones Records held a luncheon/press conference at Trax in New York September 23 to celebrate the release of "Love You Live," a two-record live set from the Rolling Stones. Some of the 300 guests on hand: (top left) Charlie Watts, Mick Jagger, Keith Richard, Ron Wood and Bill Wyman of the group; (top right) Atlantic chairman Ahmet Ertegun with Andy Warhol; (bottom left) Nick Maria, east coast regional marketing director for Atlantic, Ben Karol of King Karol record stores, Atlantic senior VP Michael Klenfner, Rolling Stones Records president Earl McGrath and Atlantic president Jerry Greenberg; (bottom right) Ahmet Ertegun, Bill Wyman and journalist Lisa Robinson.

CBS Records Canada Names Gosewich Chmn.

■ NEW YORK—Arnold Gosewich has been elected chairman of CBS Records Canada, Ltd., and vice president of CBS Records International. The announcement was made by Dick Asher, president of CBS Records International, to whom he will report.



Arnold Gosewich

In his capacity as chairman, Gosewich will be responsible for directing the activities of CBS Records Canada, Ltd., which encompasses manufacturing, marketing, retailing rack jobbing and music publishing. Reporting to him will be the president of CBS Records Canada, Ltd., Terence Lynd.

Gosewich joins CBS from Capitol Records EMI Canada, Ltd., where for the past seven years he has been chief operating officer. He is a former president of the Canadian Recording Industry Association.

Sank Bows Firm

■ NEW YORK—An independent, creative record promotion company, Projects-Creative Promotions, has been formed by Stewart Sank.

Clients

Projects' first clients include Far Out Productions, whose roster features War (MCA), Aalon (Arista), Ronnie Laws (Blue Note), Eloise Laws (ABC), Redbone (RCA), Lee Oskar (UA) and others; as well as consulting in artist promotion and development for RCA Records and London Records.

Background

Sank was formerly national IP director for United Artists Records; national promo consultant for London Records; and regional promotion manager for RCA Records.

Projects is located at 80 Central Park West, New York, New York 10023; phone (212) 580-7259.

Tomato Relocates

■ NEW YORK — Kevin Eggers, president of The Tomato Music Company, Limited, has announced the move of Tomato to 611 Broadway, New York, New York 10012; phone: (212) 477-2800, effective September 30, 1977.

Vee Jay Expands

■ LOS ANGELES—Vee Jay International has undergone its first major executive expansion in over a year through three appointments announced here last week by president Betty Chiappetta, concurrent with Vee Jay's acquisition of the Catalyst jazz catalogue (see separate story).

Named are Joe Morrow, who assumes the post of national marketing director, a&r director Pat Britt and Michael Ochs, appointed director of artist development.

Morrow joins Vee Jay after five years with Springboard Records, where he worked in regional sales and promotion; he started his career with Capitol Records in Chicago in 1962, later rising to a national artist relations post with that company in their west coast headquarters.

Britt rejoins Vee Jay after a two-year absence, having been with the label for five years beginning in 1970.

Ochs, who most recently operated his own publicity and promotion combine here, was previously national publicity director for ABC Records, having earlier held the post of west coast publicity manager for CBS Records.

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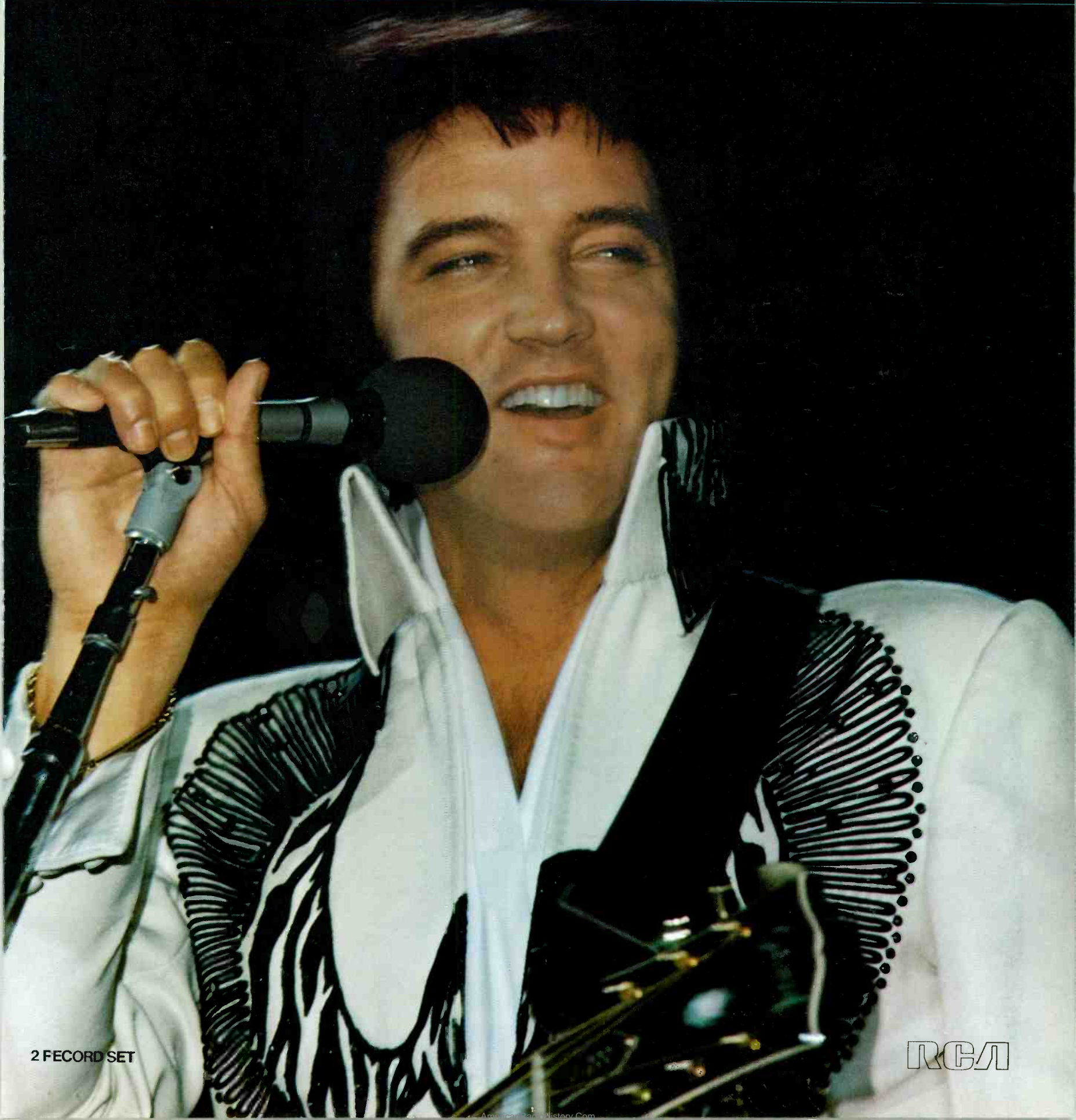
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Pepper & Snadowsky: Multi-Faceted Operations

By PAT BAIRD

■ NEW YORK—Alan Pepper and Stan Snadowsky, co-owners of the successful New York club The Bottom Line, have expanded the traditional activities of nightclub management to include a Bottom Line publishing company (co-published and administered by United Artists Music) and an artists' management company.

Among their management clients is Dean Friedman (Life-song), and four writers are currently signed to the publishing company: Dan Dailey, Bill Weeden & David Finkle (who recently completed work on a new television show for Stiller & Meara) and Doug Redkin (presently working with The Four Seasons).

While the idea of club owners simultaneously being both managers and publishers may seem somewhat exotic, Pepper and Snadowsky feel it is a natural progression.

"The Bottom Line, being one of the major clubs in the country," Snadowsky said, "and Alan and I being very active in seeking new music, we are right in the center of what's happening, we're right on the street. For UA, or any major company, to have a tap into us is a clever idea. When we hear something we like we

send it to Stu Greenberg (UA professional manager). If he wants to pass on it, fine. We then have the option to sign it to our individual company and do whatever we want with it. If it's signed to UA, then it becomes part of our deal."

According to Stu Greenberg, who set up the co-publishing arrangement, it's the first deal of its kind in the business and one which struck the United Artist executives immediately.

Unique Deal

"This is the second year of our agreement," he said, "but I don't believe anyone has really seen the uniqueness of it. When the deal was signed with Mike Stewart, it was done by one-two-three. I set up a meeting that I thought would be the ground-layer between Mike and Stan. We talked for about a half hour and Mike stuck his hand across the desk and said the deal was made. An hour later we were at the Bottom Line having pictures taken."

As operators of one of N.Y.'s biggest music avenues, Snadowsky and Pepper are contacted on a daily basis by dozens of artists at every level of expertise. While making the switch from listening to material with a club owner's ear to a music publisher's ear is

difficult, it is, according to them, not impossible.

"When I'm listening to an artist for publishing," Pepper said, "I'm listening for melody and trying to think how many different people could do the song. It's completely different than when I sit to program the Bottom Line and listen to an act or a new album. Then I'm thinking 'who can this group go on a bill with?' Some of it's similar but it really is completely different."

The amount of talent that passes through the Bottom Line was one of the main reasons Snadowsky and Pepper decided to start the publishing companies, and certainly was one of the main attractions to UA.

"Obviously the Bottom Line has tremendous access to material," Greenberg said. "Another aspect is the obvious contact they have with the artists who perform at the club. They can pitch tunes in the Bottom Line/UA catalogue to artists I could never get to. We don't have the real inside track Alan and Stanley have."

Pepper and Snadowsky are actively involved in the individual, and sometimes confusing, roles of club owners, managers and publishers (Snadowsky has also been a practicing attorney for the

past 10 years) but they are adamant in their desire and practice of keeping each of the activities as separate as possible.

"One thing we've learned to do real well," Snadowsky said, "is to wear separate hats. We can manage people we don't publish, publish people we don't manage or present people at the club with which we do neither. It doesn't matter. We can pitch someone at the club that we really like and think we can do something with but nothing is ever dependent."

"The best illustration," said Pepper, "is that we currently represent four artists and only one has ever played at The Bottom Line. That's because the other people, for whatever reason, are just not ready. We won't sacrifice one business at the expense of the other. We absolutely refuse to do that."

RCA To Release 'Elvis in Concert'

■ NEW YORK—"Elvis In Concert," the RCA Records two-lp soundtrack from the CBS-TV special which airs October 3, plus additional songs recorded live on tour in June, 1977, will be released the week of October 10.

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Record Bar's Barrie Bergman On Retailing Today

By DAVID McGEE

■ In last week's *Dialogue*, Record Bar president Barrie Bergman explored the reasons for the success of the 75-store chain, as well as the prospects for its latest innovation, Tracks, a projected 15-store chain of superstore retail outlets. This week Bergman discusses the issues facing retailers today, sounds off on the impact of the Jimmy's Music World bankruptcy and reveals his hopes for the future of the National Association of Record Merchandisers (NARM), of which he is treasurer, as it enters a new era.



Barrie Bergman

Record World: In what way has retailing changed since you opened the first Record Bar store?

Bergman: Biggest change for me personally is that I don't get to get in there and talk to the customers and work the register. I miss that a lot. I really like working in a retail record store. It's damn hard work and long hours, but I like it. I tell you, our industry until the big store came into being, had not innovated very much. We were still selling records as if it were 1950. We weren't doing a lot of different things in merchandising, promotion or anything. I think the big stores changed some of that. Our merchandising has gotten so much better—I think that's the major change you see in the record business today—the merchandising is so much better in the stores. People just don't throw a bunch of records on the floor. They really think about how to sell them to a consumer and how to get him into a store. I think that's the biggest change. Obviously the number of hits today is greater than it used to be. We don't have that one Beatle album or whatever that everything builds around. Don't give me something that sells for three weeks and dies. That's not good for any of us. You need a long term selling hit. I think our industry is figuring out that just because it's two weeks old you don't throw it in the trash can. That was a very important lesson for our industry to learn. We're a fast industry and everybody knows it, but we don't have to be that fast. The ability to work an album for a year, for a manufacturer to just come back and come back the way A&M did with Frampton, and all of a sudden last Christmas to come back out and do some TV, that's just plain old good marketing. And that's why they're selling six million copies where they used to sell a million and a half.

RW: How do you think the rise in price is going to affect retailing? Are fewer albums going to hang on for longer periods of time?

Bergman: At this point we can't tell any difference at all.

RW: Do you believe there's an upper limit to how much you can charge for a record?

Bergman: No. Not that I see. Pricing has been the biggest ill of the industry. Everybody's been talking about it for years. The biggest ill isn't cheap prices but the talk about them all the time. Nobody talks about merchandising, nobody talks about marketing. They just talk about the price. That kind of stuff is out. Selling a great product—people go into a bookstore and buy "Roots" for 14 dollars or whatever the hell it was, and nobody says a word. Because the damn bookstores don't slap prices all over the window. When you hear a spot for a book you don't see anything about the price. You hear something about the content. It's a whole different sell, and that's why I think they've been so successful at at keeping profit margins up and we've been so poor at it. But I think a couple of guys are learning. Tommy Heiman does a fine job of that. He doesn't advertise price like that. I'm not sure I agree with that totally, but it's a start. It's not a bad idea. We had a lot of wars in the business for awhile started by people who didn't really believe in the integrity of the music. They might just as well have been selling potatoes. They lost sight of what they were doing. You're still selling music; you're still selling happiness to people. You don't have to talk about the price of it all the time. People

are obviously interested in what something costs, but they come in to buy music.

RW: What's the lesson to the industry of the Jimmy's bankruptcy?

Bergman: The lesson to the industry is that, first, retailing records is a very tough business. The retail explosion is a very nice thing, but you better keep it under control. You better be able to control what you're doing because it takes a lot of money to run a retail record store. In the first accounting course you take you learn that if it costs you to do business you have to put a profit on what you sell or else go out of business. It's a very simple fact. If you're going to have a retail explosion, you're going to have to have people who can run a store and who know you're only making pennies. You're not making a lot of dollars. So you've got to hang onto those pennies. You cannot give records away. You cannot give credit to people without any particular justification for credit, which I think our industry has been terrible about—the ease of entry into our business. I'm not saying we should keep people out, but sometimes you're not fair to people by letting them have tremendous credit lines. It's always been one of the greatest ills of our business, that everyone owes so much money and no one will pay. One of the ways we've run our company is by paying our bills. There's a lot of fiscal irresponsibility in our business, and Jimmy's is a good example of it. The major labels have credit people who are the top business people in our industry. But they get to the point where they get so much pressure from the marketing guy and there's decisions made at the top levels of the company that just overwhelm these credit guys. And those are wrong decisions sometimes. But they do everybody a great disservice. That's one of the major things as an industry we can learn from the Jimmy's thing. There was a great deal of irresponsibility all the way around, particularly by the Jimmy's people who felt they could come in and buy a market with price, run everybody else out of town—and some damn fine retailers at that—and also not need any other operational thing to run the stores with. It was just unbelievable. Just open up 15 stores today, two stores tomorrow and, Christ, slap those damn records on the wall. Put up little pegboards so you can hang the racks on the walls, and that's all you needed to do. Put in a register and a couple of idiots, a couple of people who knew a couple of numbers, and that's all. You've been in the Jimmy's stores! They're horrible!

“The retail explosion is a very nice thing, but you better keep it under control. You cannot give records away.”

RW: What is the future of small retailers, with so many chains expanding nationally now? What about the guy who wants to go into the record business and have maybe only one store. Is he history?

Bergman: Not at all. The one store entrepreneur can, in fact, outperform a company like ours on a P and L basis. He can kill us. If he gets in there and really hustles and sells hard, he can do better. He can make more money. Maybe he doesn't do as high volume, but he doesn't need to because his percentage is going to be better. He can just affect so much. Nobody's really sure why, but we just know it's true. We've got a couple of people who were in our company and have gone on to open one or two stores of their own and they're doing extremely well. I'm not trying to put a bunch of people in the retail business as competitors, but that kind of guy, if he's smart, enterprising and wants to work hard can do very well in the retail business and make himself a good living. He's got to hustle, got to work long hours, but he'll make some money. That'll never change, as long as they can get that entry. And as I said, the ease of entry is the most amazing thing about our industry. You go to a distributor and buy some records and you're there. That's a very good and a very bad thing at the same time. I think as long as those people are fiscally responsible it's good for the industry, because they sell a lot of records.

RW: Let's talk a little bit about NARM, which you're actively in-

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At the Lieberman Convention



Pictured at the recent Lieberman Enterprises convention, held this year at the Lake Geneva Playboy Club, Wisconsin, are, top row, from left: Capitol Records and Lieberman executives, bottom row, Capitol Minneapolis Records and Lieberman executives, bottom row, Capitol Minneapolis district manager Jon Foley; "Van" Vanyo, Lieberman national lp and tape buyer; Walter Lee, Capitol vice president of sales; David Lieberman; Dan Davis, Capitol vice president of sales and creative services; Larry Ruegner, Lieberman national singles buyer and Phil Caston, Capitol sales manager. Back row: Jim Hawn, Capitol district sales manager; Sam Citro, Capitol Chicago district sales manager; Steve Salsbury, Lieberman national advertising director; Dennis Sinclair, Lieberman eastern divisional manager; Brian Langlois, Capitol Chicago promotion manager, and Dick Gifford, Capitol Chicago territory manager. Pictured at right are Harold Okinow, Lieberman vice president; Rich Leonetti, vice president of sales WEA and David Lieberman. Second row at left, pictured at the MCA Records cocktail party, are Lou Sicurezza, MCA district promotion manager; Steve Salsburg; Sandy Goldberg, Lieberman comptroller; Chuck Maloncon, MCA district manager and Marty Spieler, MCA sales manager, Chicago. At right are Patty Dawson, Lieberman album and tape buyer, Oklahoma; Mrs. Herb Hershfield; Herb Hershfield, GRT vice president of marketing and Les Silver, GRT national sales manager.

Polydor Taps Speisman

■ NEW YORK—Harry Anger, vice president of marketing for Polydor, has announced that Bob Speisman has joined Polydor Incorporated as western regional marketing manager, based in Los Angeles.

Speisman replaces Sterling Devers, who leaves Polydor to become director of training for Phonodisc.

Before joining Polydor Incorporated, Speisman worked for Cashbox, administrating the trade magazine's lp charts.

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Jem Offers New Catalogue

■ NEW YORK—Jem Records has printed its 1977-78 import catalogue which it is offering free of charge this year to all record dealers.

1500 Entries

The 96 page listing has been expanded to include over 1500 entries covering rock, jazz, folk and new wave imports. The titles are arranged alphabetically with descriptions of the music and personnel outlined for many of the groups. There is also a section for the company's extensive selection of singles and music publications.

According to Rick Lawler, general manager, Jem, "Things are changing so fast these days that it is difficult to print a catalogue that is completely up to date, but our new catalogue lists all the new releases and will give dealers a better idea of what is available in import and a better idea of what they should order."

Over 5000 copies of the catalogue have been given away

since it was launched at the National Music and Sound Show last August and Lawler is confident that the number will approach 75,000 before the end of the year. "The fact that we have decided to give it away for free this year should give it a boost," he said.

Jem is planning a major distribution effort to make the catalogue available to as many retailers as possible. Copies have already been mailed to Jem dealers, but others interested in their free copies should contact Lawler at Jem.

Lifesong Ups Jackson

■ NEW YORK — Wynn Jackson has been appointed director, national field promotion for Lifesong Records, it was announced today by Terry Cashman, president.

Jackson was previously southeastern regional promotion director for Lifesong.

Capitol Ups Jackson

■ LOS ANGELES—Ed Khoury, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Capitol Magnetic Products Division of Capitol Records, Inc., has announced the promotion of H. J. "Bud" Jackson to the position of international sales manager, replacing Jayme De Barrio, who has resigned.

Jackson, who will report directly to Khoury, moves to the Tower from Chicago where he held the position of regional sales manager, consumer products. He began his career with Audio Devices as a salesman and later became sound product manager; manager, national accounts; Dallas regional sales manager, and, in 1974, marketing manager, consumer products.

Janus Unveils Tape, LP Promo

■ LOS ANGELES—Janus Records has unveiled a new marketing policy with the release of the Camel "Rain Dances" album, with special emphasis to be given to tape as well as album promotion.

All radio time bought by Janus will be comprised of two spots, one with album copy, and one with tape copy. The tape spot will have copy geared specifically to the consumer who buys tapes for car use, and will rotate on an equal basis with the album spot.

Steve Begor, director of marketing for Janus Records, devised the idea in response to Kevin Hutchings, at Licorice Pizza in Los Angeles, who suggested that it would help tape penetration due to the increasing percentage of tape sales.

A&M Ups Dlugatch

■ LOS ANGELES—Harold Childs, vice president, promotion, A&M Records, has announced that Joan Dlugatch has been appointed to the post of promotion coordinator.



Joan Dlugatch

Ms. Dlugatch has been associated with A&M's promotion department for four and a half years. She had previously been with A&M's international department. Prior to joining A&M, Ms. Dlugatch was associated with UA's international department.

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EMI Hikes Intl. Pop Album Prices

By JIM SAMPSON

■ COLOGNE—In a move possibly heralding a wave of price hikes, EMI Electrola has raised the price of its international pop product by five percent. Categories other than international pop were not affected. Several major German record companies indicate they expect to follow suit in the next few months.

Rising Costs Cited

Hardly anyone can remember the last industry-wide price increases. Over the last 20 years, as record prices rose in most world markets, suggested retail here dropped almost 50 percent for international pop discs. Explained EMI managing director Friedrich E. Wottawa, "Our prices have dropped as the mark's value climbed. But costs have risen too, and somewhere, this downward spiral has to come to an end. For the last nine months, exchange rates have calmed down. We raised our prices to reach the same level as other European countries."

Competition

Another reason for the sag in international pop prices has been import competition. RCA's Hans Georg Baum estimates that up to one quarter of the stock of some department stores is imported. As imports flooded in, suggested retail prices became increasingly flexible, if not altogether abandoned. With record companies cutting profit margins to a minimum, retailers sliced their shares to suicidal percentages. In one

Arista Ups Karamanos

■ NEW YORK—Richard Palmese, vice president of national promotion for Arista Records, has announced that Sam Karamanos has been promoted to the position of national promotion administrator for the label.



Sam Karamanos

Ms. Karamanos has been with Arista since 1974, where she began as the label's national promotion coordinator. That same year, she was named national promotion manager, and most recently she held the position of associate director, national singles promotion.

case, a Hamburg shop reportedly sold a domestically pressed WEA album as a loss leader for one mark (43 cents) less than the wholesale price.

The need for a price increase was recognized earlier this year by WEA's Siegfried E. Loch when he announced an average seven percent increase on February 1. WEA's attempted hike of singles prices was beaten back by retailers, but other product held the higher rates.

Turnaround

The key to EMI Electrola's turnaround was EMI England's 15 percent jump one month earlier. Imports from England, and to some extent from Italy and Israel, are the biggest competition for domestic pressings. Other European prices are similar to Germany, or, as in Austria, even higher.

With the British price advantage diminishing, other German companies are talking of making their move. RCA's Baum: "We're now considering readjustment upward for 1978." Teldec's Ger-

UA Music Consolidates Euro Operations

By PHILIP PALMER

■ LONDON—A major consolidation of its U.K. and European music publishing operation is planned by United Artists Music and managing director Ray Walter, who joined the company some nine months ago.

Offices

United Artists Music has its own 100 percent offices in Germany and France and it owns its own companies throughout the world with the exception of Spain. UA Music recently opened up an office in Milan with its own professional manager, and on January 1 there will be a new United Artists Music office in Belgium with Roland Kluger.

Ray Walter is now responsible for the entire European activities of United Artists Music and each manager in each territory reports direct to London, leaving the recently appointed general manager David Paramor free to supervise the running of the U.K. music publishing firm. At UA Music, Paramor has been joined by another former EMI Music man, Simon Davies, who is now responsible for the acquisition and development of new material and writers in the professional department.

Building Team

UA Music is now building up its team of U.K. writers and to this end has recently concluded a number of deals with U.K. writers and producers.

Kaplan Kaye, previously with DJM, is currently signing writers

hard Schulze: "I feel we've reached a point where German prices will have to rise. Eventually, most European countries will have a \$7-\$8 retail." CBS sales and marketing chief Gerhard L. Maurer thinks prices will be "flexible," but does not foresee an across-the-board hike on CBS international pop. Expressing support for the EMI move were Phonogram's Oskar Drechsler, Ariola's Friedrich Schmidt and DGG/Polydor's Richard Busch, who called the hikes "an attempt to correct prices that had gotten way too low." None of these companies have yet announced a firm decision to follow the EMI move, however, reflecting a general wait and see attitude.

Import Problem

The import problem, a symptom of free trade within the European Community, will remain as long as, in Wottawa's words, "we have a common market without a common currency." On this point, all company presidents agree.

for UA, one of which is John Jolliffe. Another new writer is Terry Britten, whose new song "He Lives" has been recorded by Cliff Richard.

Walter is keen to encourage his staff writers to work together similar to the Ken Gold and Micky Denne team whom Walter signed to Screen Gems during his time with that company. "We put them together in our recording studio and the result was a series of major chart records," he said.

Walter added that UA Music was currently looking for premises to build its own recording studios where staff writers and producers could work.

Whitman Catalogue

Following the recent purchase of the American Robbins, Feist & Miller catalogues United Artists is currently working on the Slim Whitman catalogue, which will be controlled for the U.K. and Europe, which together with the existing main UA Music catalogue, which ranges from major film scores through to material by ELO, makes the company one of the largest in this country.

Walter and Paramor stress the importance of the U.K. and international music publishing markets, saying that although UA was an American company they could not just rely on American copyrights.

"Our main task," they said, "is to acquire U.K. talent which can be developed and broken in the world's music markets."

Tape Pirates Sentenced

■ CHARLOTTE, N. C.—Seven persons involved in winding and packaging pirated tape recordings pleaded guilty to one count of violating the Federal Copyright Law before Judge Woodrow W. Jones of the Federal District Court of the Western District of North Carolina.

FBI agents last May staged a series of raids on premises which the defendants owned or worked in, seizing a total of about 45,000 pirated tapes and large quantities of blank cartridges, winding equipment and shrink-wrap machinery.

Clarence Kennedy, Jr., from whose home the illicit operation was said to run, received a one-year suspended jail sentence, was placed on probation for three years and fined \$4,000. Roland E. Hill, the owner of the house where the winding operation was conducted, was sentenced to a one-year suspended jail term, placed on probation for three years and fined \$1,000, the same sentence being meted out to Nathan Daniel Walker.

Myrtle Walker Kennedy, received a one-year suspended jail sentence, three years' probation and a fine of \$2,700, and Mary Frances White received a six-month suspended jail term, was put on probation for three years and fined \$300. Eight-month suspended jail terms, three years' probations and fines of \$500 were imposed on Charles Thomas Terry and Howard Wyne Hill.

MRS Audit Reveals Royalty Underpayments

■ LONDON—A major audit of Britain's record companies being supervised by the Mechanical Rights Society has revealed a massive underpayment of mechanical royalties, and although final figures have yet to be announced, the figure could be as much as \$1 million.

MCPS general manager Graham Churchill has said that the amount so far is in the region of \$400 thousand and that is only a partial report on the 20 companies under investigation.

The audits are being carried out as part of normal commercial business practice being introduced by the new management of the MCPS.

Churchill reports that the unpaid royalties were due to ignorance of the appropriate procedures in such areas as deletions and export copies, and errors brought about by changes in company personnel.

"There have been some cases of what appear to be willful withholding of money," Churchill said.

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Floater's Platinum



The Floater's appeared at Pine Knob in Detroit recently, opening for Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis, Jr., and were presented with platinum records for their ABC Records debut, "Floater's." The lp previously had attained gold status faster than any other debut album in ABC history. Shown at the presentation, from left to right, are (standing) John Brown, regional director r&b promotion for ABC; Mrs. Mitchell, mother of Floater Paul; Jonathan Murray; Laura Mims, r&b promotion-Ohio, ABC; Bill Craig, director of special markets r&b promotion, ABC; Ralph Mitchell; Barbara J. Harris, director east coast artist relations, ABC (kneeling) Paul Mitchell, Larry Cunningham, Woody Wilson, executive producer of the album, and Charles Clark.

Moroder & Bellotte Bow Oasis in U.K.

■ LONDON — Giorgio Moroder and Pete Bellotte, the two producers behind Donna Summer's charttopper "I Feel Love," have introduced their own label in the UK, Oasis, through a new licensing deal with CBS Records, via GTO Records. The label debuts with a discotheque album by Moroder himself and other re-

leases will be by the Munich Machine and Roberta Kelly.

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Elf Sues Boston & Associates

■ NEW YORK—Boston, the Epic Records group whose debut album has sold more than five million units, has with its manager, producer and label been sued for \$10 million in U.S. District Court here by a management company that claims it has a valid contract with the group that antedates its current management pact.

Elf Management, based in Massachusetts, alleges in the suit that Tom Scholz, Barry Goudreau and James Mazdia (not a Boston member, but the drummer on one "Boston" track) signed a contract with the company in January, 1974, when they made up a group called Mother's Milk. Brad Delp, lead singer for both bands, did not sign the contract but, the suit charges, "accepted managerial services" from Elf.

While signed to Elf, the suit continues, Scholz gave the company tapes of the group to be used in seeking a record contract. After he informed Elf that Mother's Milk had broken up, and that Elf's services were no longer needed, Scholz allegedly sent those tapes to other managers and labels, one of whom—Paul Ahern, now Boston's manager—"induced them to break their agreement" with Elf, according to the suit.

Elf claims that Ahern has earned \$1 million in manager's fees and publishing royalties to which Elf is entitled. Its suit, brought by Lawrence Philips of Philips and Mushkin, seeks \$5 million on each of two counts, as well as an injunction against Epic's manufacturing and selling more Boston records until the suit is resolved. Elf is also asking

for reinstatement of its contract with Boston as the group's manager.

Named as defendants are Ahern and his Pure Songs and Pure Management companies, Brian Rohan, John Boylan (Boston's producer) and his Great Gramophone Productions, and CBS Records.

The principals in Elf, Philips, members of Boston and Ahern could not be reached for comment last week. CBS Records declined to comment on the suit.

Arista Pubbery To Sign Sex Pistols

■ NEW YORK — It was learned last week that The Sex Pistols are close to signing a publishing agreement with Arista Music for worldwide representation. The deal, which will reportedly involve a six figure sum, represents the first time a new wave band has signed with a major U.S. publishing company. The agreement will involve all members of the group.

When contacted last week for comment, Bily Meshel, vice president and general manager of the company, neither confirmed nor denied the rumor but told RW: "The Sex Pistols are creating music and entertainment for those who do not enjoy listening to their big brother's music. Groups all over the world are already doing Sex Pistols material."

Fleetwood Mac Gold

■ LOS ANGELES—"Dreams" by Fleetwood Mac has been certified as a gold single by the RIAA.

Backstage with Ronstadt



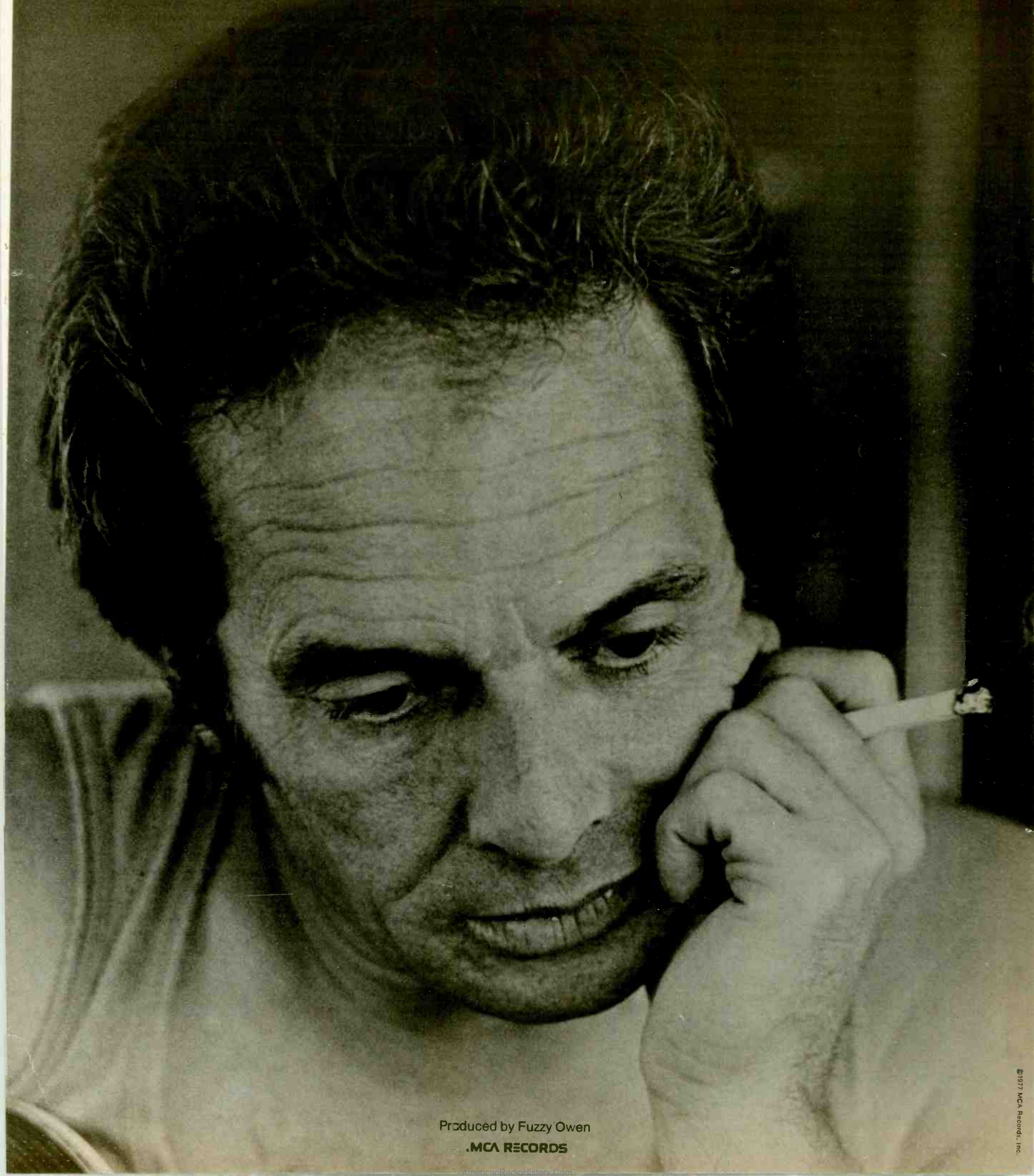
Pictured backstage after the first night of Ronstadt's two-week soldout engagement at the Universal Amphitheatre are (from left): Rip Pelley, E/A national artist relations coordinator; Ronstadt; Joe Smith, E/A chairman; and Jerry Shatell, E/A vice president/artist development.

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THE COAST

By SAMUEL GRAHAM and SAM SUTHERLAND

■ **TALKIN' SOME TRASH:** After **Edgar Winter** made his solo debut back in the early '70s with the stunning "Entrance"—a record that never got the attention it deserved and probably isn't even languishing in some forlorn cut-out bin at your local Zody's anymore—his next move was to unveil one of the tighter and more explosive horn-laden rock n' soul outfits to come down the proverbial pike, **Edgar Winter's White Trash**. The demands of his solo career, not to mention his making up half of the hottest (and undoubtedly only) albino-brother-musician team in the land with bro' **Johnny**, led to Edgar's putting Trash on the back burner for a while, so to speak, but hold on: now we find that White Trash has reformed. There's a new album about to come out on Blue Sky, a tour is in the works—basically, we're really rollin' now, eh folks?

Edgar called us up the other day to talk about Trash and their appropriately titled "Recycled" album. "I put some of the material together a few months ago when I was going to do a solo album produced by **Gamble and Huff**," he said. "That project didn't happen, but some of the stuff on 'Recycled' still has sort of a disco flavor." Disco, from Edgar Winter? "It still has that same raw edge we always had," he reassured us. "The music is a little more sophisticated—there's a lot of jazz flavor—but it's still based on that funky beat. It's really a musician's band, a playing band, but the energy is there for the audience, too. It's energetic and intellectual at the same time."

Besides Edgar's own sax, keyboards and hair-raising vocal work, White Trash will feature a few faces familiar from their first incarnation: **Jerry LaCroix** on sax sassy dueling vocals, **Jon Smith** on sax, **Marshall Cyr** on trumpet and **Floyd Radford** on guitar, with **George Recile** joining on skins and **Robert Arnold** ("We just call him Cal, for California") on bass. Winter expects that they'll hit the road in about mid-November, playing both big gigs with other acts and smaller clubs as well. Edgar himself is also slated to produce **Ronnie Montrose's** next; he says that Montrose is planning on all-guitar album, no vocals this time, and Winter will also help with some of the writing, arranging and simply "providing some direction."

"Recycled" was recorded mostly at former Winter band member and soloist **Dan Hartman's** (he also engineered and played some guitar on the record) Schoolhouse Studios in Westport, Connecticut (New England . . . sigh . . .). Speaking of Hartman, he and ex-**Sparks** drummer **Hilly Michaels** are at this point putting together what Michaels described to us as "a high-energy pop-rock group." They're looking mainly for guitars and keyboards to round out what they expect will be a five-piece band; interested prospects can undoubtedly contact them through Blue Sky/Epic Records.

GUMBO RE-ENTRY: Apart from his production assignments with **Ronee Blakely** and, more recently, **Bob Crewe**, veteran producer and industry executive **Jerry Wexler** has been keeping a low profile since his mid-'70s departure from the top executive tier of Atlantic, the label whose musical identity he helped forge following its formation in the late '40s.

For fans of Wexler's epochal a&r sense, news of another project
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CONCERT REVIEW

Bros. Johnson, Floaters: Complementary

■ **NEW YORK**—Habits and styles evolve slowly in r&b music, and when old and new met recently at Carnegie Hall it was clear that, if the black audience has embraced changes in its music, its fondness for tradition hasn't waned.

The Brothers Johnson (A&M) and the Floaters (ABC) filled Carnegie for four shows in two days, the Johnsons on the strength of two best-selling albums and a major crossover hit, a cover of Shuggie Otis' "Strawberry Letter #23," the Floaters with a number one r&b hit (and one of New York's biggest of the year), "Float On."

George and Louis Johnson head a funk group that stresses melody in a Quincy Jones-inspired, big-band style, and where their melodies are strong they are unbeatable. Their best material was saved for the second half of their set, finally arousing a crowd that had been cool to their first few songs.

Louis Johnson, on bass, is one of pop music's best showmen, and his playing provides a focus for the ensemble. In a white feathered costume, juxtaposed to George's red suit, Louis held the crowd's attention almost constantly, and his melodic playing style set off George's rhythm-dominated guitar work nicely. Few bass players can sustain audience interest in long solos; Louis' is worth anticipating.

With "Strawberry Letter #23," "Right On Time" and a high-powered "Get The Funk Out Ma Face" (with the Floaters and Michael Jackson helping out), the Brothers Johnson brought the show to a satisfying close.

The Floaters, a quintet (al-

though only four sing on "Float On") from Detroit, adhere strictly to r&b traditions. Their set stressed smooth vocal work and choreography, and the love ballads which are their best songs evidently struck a responsive chord in many hearts in the audience. "Float On" is the most ephemeral of hits—it's hard to imagine a cover version, and it's mood more than melody that is the song's selling point, but the appeal of the record is undeniable, and it is the high point of the Floaters' show.

The styles of both groups, on-stage together for the Johnsons' finale, complemented each other in a revealing way—the Floaters' vocal skills and touch of romance, and the Johnsons' fast-paced material and instrumental fire, went well together and each might benefit from the other's example.

Marc Kirkeby

Unique Label Bows

■ **LOS ANGELES**—Vaughn Anderson and Mel Carothers have announced the formation of Unique Records, a company that will release product and offer courses in professional and technical aspects of the business to all artists.

Scheduled for release by the label are singles by Melvin Lee, C. C. Neal, Greg Jackson and Saffona Santini.

Courses in such subjects as voice projection, choreography, stage presence and behind-the-scenes work will be taught by industry professionals such as Mel Carothers, Roy Hopper, Tony Dean, Sandee Yeager and James "Doc" Lyles. Artists need not be signed to the label in order to participate in classes.

Crow's Nest



Polydor country swing recording artist Alvin Crow is seen backstage with Polydor executives following his opening at New York's Lone Star Cafe. Standing, from left, are: Lou Simon, executive vice president and general manager; Chris Whent, director, business affairs; Dave Shein, vice president of finance; Harry Anger, vice president, marketing; Alvin Crow; Clay Baxeter, national secondary promotion manager; and Randy Roberts, album field promotion manager. Seated, are Jerry Jaffe, national album promotion director, and Fred Weisman, New York promotion manager.

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'Giveaway Papers' at Retail: A Confused Picture

By MIKE FALCON

■ LOS ANGELES — For record merchants and advertisers the nation's "free papers," those newsprint giveaways frequently found stacked near the checkout counter, present a confused overall picture.

The widely divergent editorial content, distribution reliability and constantly changing readerships and editorial boards combine to make an advertising director's nightmare, although some record companies and retailers have taken out ads in the more stable publications.

While free presses and throw-away papers have been used to promote product since the advent of newsprint, the public-oriented press of the Vietnam era spawned numerous socially-colored free tabloids that combined politics and music (and art, entertainment, police brutality, cinema, etc.) into sometimes confused amalgams.

Appealing Areas

The difficulties in dealing with these papers, that often had strong youth music appeal, kept "establishment" ad executives away from their unlocked doors, but their entertainment sections often remained appealing areas for well-chosen plugs.

As the war era ground to a halt, the free papers began to disappear. Those that remained frequently became 25 cent weeklies with strong emphasis on the arts and personal growth.

The strongest of these 60's papers still flourish. The Los Angeles Free Press and The Village Voice enjoy healthy circulation and ad revenues. Interestingly, these two stalwarts were "pay" papers throughout that period.

The other half, the papers that relied on free distribution and unpaid circulation, "went under" with such regularity that even the more stable of the newer "freeps" have an extremely difficult time establishing credibility.

In response to this, record manufacturers and retailers, both aware of the potential of the free paper, have begun to readjust and provide some novel twists to the free paper scene.

Shmoozin

One of the most interesting free papers, from a publishing and distribution standpoint, was shmoozin, a weekly handout distributed through record retail chains, including the California-based Warehouse stores. The paper, with a circulation of 180,000, folded last week in a surprise move. The paper was published by Integrity Publishing. Integrity Music is the parent organization of the Warehouse chain, although it was obvious that the firms had gone to great lengths to divorce the publishing arm from the retail chain through incorporation as a separate entity.

Shmoozin seemed the perfect example of a responsible publishing venture in the free tabloid field. It had the necessary backing and a solid staff, featuring the writing of Merritt Kleber, a former Marine Corps White House social aide and Yale football player who is pursuing a Master's Degree in professional writing at the University of Southern California. Additionally, it had what seemed like strong manufacturer support in placing ads.

Lack of Support

Manufacturer support seems to be a commonly cited requisite for running a successful free paper, and despite ads in the most recent issue of the six-month old shmoozin from six record companies, employees told **RW** that the paper simply was not keeping up with expenses.

Philadelphia's Happy Times is also struggling to make ends meet. The 32-page biweekly has a circulation of 35,000 and is published by Richard Finley, a former area radio personality, and wife Dawn Barton. The paper serves Philadelphia and areas of

Delaware and New Jersey, concentrating on area music entertainment.

"There's nothing very controversial about our paper," explains publisher Finley. "I started the paper on a shoestring and it's still dangling. I try to cover entertainment spots and keep people informed about what's happening in the area. I was surprised, when I began the paper, to see there wasn't any competition. Now I know why." Despite the lack of major ad revenues, a spot check with local retailers showed that the paper is taken by customers very quickly. Distribution is primarily to record stores, college campuses and a few selected center city clubs that concentrate on "rock and roll acts."

Reader, a weekly that comes

out of Chicago, seems to be doing much better. The 85,000 circulation weekly is "heavily influenced by local colleges and four or five neighborhoods in the Lakefront area," according to associate editor Mike Lenehan, and averages 24 pages per issue.

While shmoozin and Happy Times are exclusively music or entertainment oriented, Chicago's Reader has strong overtones of social concern (for example, a recent lead story focused on public defenders). Lenehan noted that the Reader does have "very strong service emphasis." Additionally, Reader has two things other free papers have examined closely: an exhaustive reader survey and a special record issue, which runs the first or second

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Sinclair Showcased



When United Artists Records artist Stephen Sinclair was showcased recently at L.A.'s Roxy nightclub, many of the English singer/songwriter's friends were on hand to wish him well. Among those gathered backstage to congratulate Sinclair were (from left): Arnie Magull, president of United Artists Records; Stephen Sinclair; Olivia Newton-John; and television actress Dede Conn. Stephen Sinclair's first album, entitled "Art," was produced by Joe Falsia and features eleven original tunes.

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D. Free distribution by mail, carrier or other means samples, complimentary, and other free copies	911	905
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Giveaway Papers at Retail Outlets

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week in December. Despite the fact that the paper has a high ad response rate and a predominantly college educated (92.5%) audience, they do not receive many manufacturer ads, although local retailers take space regularly.

BAM, the Bay Area Music Magazine, is an 80 page monster monthly with a Northern California circulation of 50,000, and another 10,000 distributed to the lower half of the state. The paper serves as a focus for San Francisco musicians who scour its pages for jobs and booking agencies, and the paper enjoys an extremely full ad subscription, primarily from retailers (with manufacturer co-ops) and hardware manufacturers.

Distribution is one of the strongest points of Focus, a central Ohio biweekly with a 65,000 circulation that is dispersed through 550 locations in Columbus and another 200 in Dayton, where a second and more localized edition is on the streets. The paper averages 32 pages per issue. Principal distribution outlets include record shops and stereo retailers. The paper is devoted to rock music, with coverage of local entertainment.

The Unicorn Times, out of Washington, D.C. is "mostly art, with heavy emphasis on music, and little politics," according to a staff member. The periodical, which has been in existence for three years, has a circulation of 50,000 and is published monthly. It averages 70 pages per issue and is distributed in the greater D.C. area. The paper is weighted in editorial content towards satisfying a younger audience, including the many students in the region, and the staffer **RW** spoke to indicated that the readership was "the same as Rolling Stone's."

Radio Free Jazz with a circulation of 35,000 is a good example of what can happen to a formerly free paper once it gets rolling and targets well on a particular demographic, in this case jazz. The monthly tabloid has been printed for seven years, and shares a similar sort of corporate relationship to Sabin's Discount Records that shmoozin did to the Wherehouse chain. Like shmoozin, Radio Free Jazz is distributed nationwide. Unlike its west coast counterpart's setup, however, Radio Free Jazz is no longer free. The 32 page paper, with an overwhelming jazz emphasis, now costs \$1. According to Ira Sabin, publisher and a principal in Sabin's Discount Records, there are many manufacturer ads placed in Radio Free Jazz, which is sold on newsracks nationwide.

Juteboxx, published in Houston

and distributed there and in Dallas to a audience of 50,000, has been in existence two years. It hit the street at the same time seven other free music-oriented papers were fighting it out on the Houston streets. It averages between 16 and 24 pages, and is looking to expand to statewide coverage and distribution.

Rich Vander, publisher, claims that his plans to increase circulation to 400,000 and go statewide are hampered only by the lack of manufacturer ads. "I've managed to take care of other free papers by turning out a pretty good paper," stated Vander, "but I've done everything but bend over backwards to get manufacturer advertisements."

In order to cover the concert market Vander reviews upcoming acts before they hit Houston and Dallas, and distributes the magazines through Rainbow Ticket outlets, many of which are located in retail record stores, notably Peaches and Texas Tapes and Records. The Juteboxx emphasizes new acts in editorial space, but does not do interviews.

Good Times, a biweekly free paper that has both New York and South Florida editions, in its ninth year of publication, is "a controlled circulation paper," according to editor and publisher Richard Branciforte. The New York edition has a circulation of 35,000 and the Florida version is put out in batches of 20,000.

According to the publisher, Good Times has succeeded because it is "undercirculated." "We've always had a problem convincing people that Good Times was not just another free paper," explained Branciforte, "and so we purposely underestimate the number of copies that can be released through 600 New York outlets and another 400 in Florida. That way, we insure that

people who want to read the paper will have to go a little out of their way in order to get a copy."

Most stores that carry the paper are record shops and a clearly defined recording studio and club clientele, which allows the paper to approach advertisers with the fact that the paper is widely read in the music-buying community, and ads have regularly been taken out by a number of large manufacturers, as well as local firms, according to the publisher.

Another factor which helps the paper maintain a strong and interested readership, according to Branciforte, is an emphasis on local news coupled with reviews of records and interviews that are published by both editions. In this way Good Times manages to have a focused local emphasis on live acts and community affairs in the music field while affording readers the benefits of a national record paper.

Most retailers questioned by **RW** think free papers help produce a more informed buyer, although many of the merchants were unsure whether the papers actually helped sell records.

"The papers themselves are great," offered Jim Howard, lp buyer for Milwaukee's 1812 chain. "We carry Rolling Stone and Creem, but the majority of people won't spend money on them. These same people will sometimes take the free magazines and get exposed to new product and new trends. Punk rock, new wave and disco might not have been exposed in print if it weren't for these papers, which jump on things earlier than many national publications."

Jim Rose, a principal in Chicago's Rose Records and the Sounds Good chain, endorses the free papers and regularly stocks Reader. "In some of our stores it's a very big help," observed

Rose. "Our Northside store started out with 50 and now we can get rid of 1500. They definitely help sales of certain items." Rose has taken out numerous ads in Reader.

"We participate in a couple of giveaway papers, but it's hard to say if they help sell records," commented Frank Miko, vice president of Peaches. Peaches ads appear in Juteboxx, and the decision to carry free papers in the Peaches chain is left to store managers.

"They used to be a great turn-on," said Tom Keenan of Everybody's Records. "We've always supported them and people think of them, mentioning them sometimes when they buy a certain record."

Perhaps the most representative statement made to **RW**, of the numerous accounts surveyed, was that of Phil Cope, import buyer for the Licorice Pizza chain. "We have BAM in the stores, but I'm not exactly sure why. It might help sell records, but then again there might be an association that's negative with anything that's free. The reader might feel it's full of bull. Maybe it's because I'm used to paying dearly for things I like."

"It sort of seems secondary," noted Cope, "but it's also possible that younger buyers, 16 to 24, don't have jobs or minimum amounts of disposable income, so maybe they do things."

Beadle To Head April Music/UK

■ LONDON — Len Beadle, currently creative director of ATV Music, is to become the new managing director of CBS' music publishing company, April Music.

Beadle, who will report to Norman Stollman at CBS, will join the company on October 10, and replaces the recently departed Brian Olivier, April's general manager, now at State Music.

Len Beadle has been associated with the ATV group for nine years, originally with Welbeck Music, Pye's music publishing company. Originally a singer with the Raindrops and a professional manager of Lawrence Wright Music, an established company which was bought by ATV in its build-up of music publishing interests, Beadle has been responsible for signing a number of important writers to ATV Music.

In his new position, Beadle will now be responsible for the overall development of April Music.

It is understood that Eric Hall, currently a senior promotion manager at EMI Records, will be joining ATV Music in the near future.

Gold from Down Under



Elektra/Asylum recording artist Carole Bayer Sager was presented with an Australian gold record for sales of her debut E/A album, "Carole Bayer Sager." "You're Moving Out Today," the single from the album, has just entered its third week at number one on the Australian charts. Pictured from left at E/A's Los Angeles offices are: Jerry Sharell, vice president/artist development; Mel Posner, vice chairman; Sager; Steve Wax, president; and Rip Pelley, national artist relations coordinator.

SOUL TRUTH

By DEDE DABNEY



■ **NEW YORK: Personal Pick:** "Serpentine Fire" — Earth, Wind & Fire (Columbia). Forces of nature have once again given us a sound destined to please. With the aid of Maurice White and crew, this group should garner another million seller.

DEDE'S DITTIES TO WATCH: "I Like To Dance" — Freddy Robinson (ICA); "Make Your Move" — Tommy Smiley (RCA); "Having A Party" — Pointer Sisters (ABC).

TNT will not explode October 10th at the Latin Casino in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. What we mean by TNT is Teddy Pendergrass and Thelma Houston. Ms. Houston, who was scheduled to appear with Pendergrass, will not be on the show. However, it would have proved to be very exciting.

Radio station WHAT has changed its concept somewhat. It's "free and easy," according to Charlie Brown, program director. It is basically an album-oriented station in which they change their list every 11 to 15 days. At that point they add five to six new albums. Adding to the station's overall sound is a young lady by the name of Holly Webster, who is Philadelphia's answer to WBL's LaMar Renee.

Bill Black, formerly of radio station WENZ-AM (Richmond), has been appointed operations manager of WXVI-AM (Montgomery). Black is now requesting communication from national company representatives, along with their product. WXVI's line-up is as follows: Herman Kelly, 5 a.m.-9; Kenny Mack, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Soul Leader, 1-4 p.m.; Lee Cross, 4-8 p.m.; Roscoe Miller, 8-midnight; and Sammy Stephens, 12-5 a.m. This station has moved its location to Rippley and Blackburn Streets. Also, along with all new changes, Black suggests that you call him on Monday and Tuesdays for the weekly survey, and Wednesday and Thursday are designated for promotion.

The Philadelphia Record Promoters Association is staging the Louis Williams Testimonial Dinner on November 11, 1977 at the Marriott Motor Hotel. Tickets are \$50 per person and \$500 per table. Please contact Harold Burnside, chairman, by writing 2460 N. 59th St. or by calling (215) 878-2000.

Harold Lawson, promotion director for radio station KGFJ-AM (Los Angeles), has informed this editor that this station will be changing its call letters to KKTT-AM. As of Monday, September 26th at 6 a.m. they had taken off all programming with only recorded station IDs. No voices but all oldies will continue until the introduction of the new programming and format. Is is undetermined when all this will take place.

Who In The World:

Rose Royce Going Strong

■ Rose Royce (Whitfield) is one of the few groups in the history of rock music who can claim their success was secured, if not caused, by the unlikely chart success of a film title theme ("Car Wash").

The group's single and album by the same name garnered across-the-board success on both the pop and r&b charts and their latest album and single are doing equally well. The single "Do You Dance (Part 1)" is currently bulleted at #6 r&b and #50 pop. The album, "Rose Royce In Full Bloom" is #2 r&b and bulleted at #34 pop.

Most of the members of the nine-piece group performed in the Los Angeles area for several years under the name "Total Concept." As that unit they backed such artists as The Temptations, Edwin Starr and Yvonne Fair and later toured with Starr in England and Japan.

After leaving Starr to pursue a career as a separate unit, the group met producer Norman Whitfield, then a major producing force at Motown Records. Whitfield changed their name to Rose Royce and teamed them with his other successful group Undisputed Truth. The two groups recorded and toured together.

Last to join Rose Royce was Gwen Dickey. The members of Undisputed Truth first brought her to Whitfield's attention when they heard her in a Miami, Fla. group. Whitfield persuaded her to move to California where she quickly became a member of Rose Royce.

The group's first album, "Car Wash," rose with the phenomenal success of the movie by the same name, eventually reaching platinum status. Whitfield also received a Grammy award for the best original score written for a motion picture. The group won a half dozen trade awards as well as the NAACP Image Award, the Golden Disco Award and a Cannes Film Festival Award.

Their second album was released in July. With the exception of two songs, Whitfield wrote the material and produced and arranged the album.

The members of Rose Royce are: Gwen Dickey, lead vocals; Lequeint "Duke" Jobe, bass and vocals; Kenji Chiba Brown, lead guitar and vocals; Freddie Dunn, trumpet; Kenny "Captain Gold" Copeland, trumpet and vocals; Michael Moore, saxophone and vocals; Henry "Hammer" Garner, drums and vocals; Terral "Powerpack" Santiel, percussion and Mike Walsh, keyboards.

Rose Royce Day in L.A.



Friday, September 16th was declared Rose Royce Day in Los Angeles with a proclamation to the nine group members by Councilman Robert Farrell at Council Chambers City Hall. The event was sponsored by Locke High School student body president Sandra Washington and her cabinet, who also attended the preceding breakfast in the Mayor's dining room. After the ceremony, Rose Royce and their writer/producer Norman Whitfield (holding the proclamation) answered students' questions and signed autographs.

R&B PICKS OF THE WEEK

SINGLE



THE JACKSONS, "GOIN' PLACES" (Mighty Three, BMI). The pens of Kenneth Gamble and Leon Huff have once again created a magical disc for this group. Exploding with driving rhythm and that strong backbeat, the performance of this family is more stunning than ever. A single that takes off from the beginning until the finish, it's enough to get young and old alike off their seats and on their feet. Epic 8-50454.

SLEEPER



GRAHAM CENTRAL STATION, "SAVING MY LOVE FOR YOU" (Nineteen Eighty-Five Music, BMI). Graham has the knack of putting everything in the groove when it comes to clever instrumentation. This particular cut, extracted from his most recent album, "Now Do U Want A Dance," is quite strong within the disco circuit. Material is great for the dancers. Warner Brothers 8464.

ALBUM

BILL WITHERS, "MENAGERIE." A one-time folk crooner, Withers has matured in his performance. Withers chooses what's best for him on this lp. "Lovely Day" stresses each lyric, along with "Let Me Be The One You Need." A fulfilling album for Bill Withers who is back stronger than ever. Columbia 34903.





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11	14	DO YOU WANNA GET FUNKY WITH ME	43	45	A STAR IN THE GHETTO
		PETER BROWN/Drive 6258 (T.K.)			AWB & BEN E. KING/Atlantic 3427
12	6	BEST OF MY LOVE	44	51	FUNK FUNK
		EMOTIONS/Columbia 3 10544			CAMEO/Chocolate City CC 011 (Casablanca)
13	21	(EVERY TIME I TURN AROUND) BACK IN LOVE AGAIN	45	55	THEME FROM "BIG TIME" PT. I
		LTD/A&M 1974			SMOKEY ROBINSON/Tamla T 54288F (Motown)
14	16	DOCTOR LOVE	46	49	BETCHA NEVER BEEN LOVED (LIKE THIS BEFORE)
		1ST CHOICE/Gold Mind 4004 (Salsoul)			DELLS/Mercury 73901
15	9	THE GREATEST LOVE OF ALL	47	54	I'M AT THE CROSSROADS
		GEORGE BENSON/Arista 0251			VERNON GARRETT/ICA 003
16	13	EASY	48	34	DEVIL'S GUN
		COMMODORES/Motown M 1418F			C.J. & COMPANY/Westbound 55400 (Atlantic)
17	17	I BELIEVE YOU	49	53	RIGHT PLACE, WRONG TIME
		DOROTHY MOORE/Malaco 1042 (T.K.)			BOBBY PATTERSON/All Platinum 2371
18	24	SHAKE IT WELL	50	50	THE REAL THING
		DRAMATICS/ABC 12299			SERGIO MENDES & THE NEW BRASIL 77/Elektra 45416
19	19	JUST LET ME HOLD YOU FOR A NIGHT	51	36	LOVING YOU (IS THE BEST THING TO HAPPEN TO ME)
		DAVID RUFFIN/Motown M 1420F			LITTLE MILTON/Glades 1743 (T.K.)
20	15	I FEEL LOVE/CAN'T WE JUST SIT DOWN (AND TALK IT OVER)	52	56	I CAN'T UNDERSTAND
		DONNA SUMMER/Casablanca 884			MEADOWS BROS./Kayvette 5132 (T.K.)
21	18	O-H-I-O	53	59	DISCO 9000
		OHIO PLAYERS/Mercury 73932			JOHNNIE TAYLOR/Columbia 3 10610
22	23	CREAM CITY	54	37	YOU CAN DO IT
		AALON/Arista 0249			ARTHUR PRY SOCK/Old Town OT 1002
23	20	MAKE IT WITH YOU	55	46	LOOK WHAT YOU'VE DONE TO MY HEART
		WHISPERS/Soul Train 10996 (RCA)			MARILYN McCOO & BILLY DAVIS, Jr./ABC 12298
24	22	SUNSHINE	56	—	GOIN' PLACES
		ENCHANTMENT/Roadshow XW991 (UA)			JACKSONS/Epic 8 50454
25	27	LADY OF MAGIC	57	64	I'VE NEVER BEEN TO ME
		MAZE/Capitol P 4456			NANCY WILSON/Capitol 4476
26	33	YOU CAN'T TURN ME OFF (IN THE MIDDLE OF TURNING ME ON)	58	63	OOH BABY BABY
		HIGH INERGY/Gordy 7155 (Motown)			SHALAMAR/Soul Train SB 11045 (RCA)
27	32	"STAR WARS" THEME/CANTINA BAND	59	69	SEND IT
		MECO/Millennium MN 604 (Casablanca)			ASHFORD & SIMPSON/Warner Bros. 8453
28	29	WHEN I THINK ABOUT YOU	60	66	GOTTA GET A HOLD ON ME
		ARETHA FRANKLIN/Atlantic 3418			MARGIE ALEXANDER/Chi Sound 1033 (UA)
29	31	ANOTHER STAR	61	62	I'M AFRAID TO LET YOU INTO MY LIFE
		STEVIE WONDER/Tamla T 54286F (Motown)			FREDDIE WATERS/October 1011
30	35	HEAVEN ON EARTH (SO FINE)	62	70	IF IT DON'T FIT, DON'T FORCE IT
		SPINNERS/Atlantic 3425			KELLEE PATTERSON/Shadybrook SB 45 1041.
31	38	IF YOU'RE NOT BACK IN LOVE BY MONDAY	63	—	DON'T ASK MY NEIGHBORS
		MILLIE JACKSON/Spring 175 (Polydor)			EMOTIONS/Columbia 3 10622
32	30	GIVE ME SOME SKIN	64	68	QUIET VILLAGE
		JAMES BROWN & THE J.B.'s/Polydor 14409			RITCHIE FAMILY/Marlin 3316 (T.K.)
33	25	L.A. SUNSHINE	65	—	JOY TO HAVE YOUR LOVE
		WAR/Blue Note 1009 (UA)			PATTI LABELLE/Epic 8 50445
34	26	LET'S CLEAN UP THE GHETTO	66	—	I BELIEVE IN MUSIC
		PHILA. INTL. ALL STARS/Phila. Intl. Z58 3627 (CBS)			MASS PRODUCTION/Cotillion 44221 (Atlantic)
35	40	DON'T BE AFRAID	67	72	ALL YOU GOT
		RONNIE DYSON/Columbia 3 10599			TYRONE DAVIS/Columbia 3 3 10604
36	41	SHOO DOO FU FU OOH!	68	75	WAITING IN VAIN
		LENNY WILLIAMS/ABC 12300			BOB MARLEY & THE WAILERS/Island 092
37	39	I JUST WANT TO BE YOUR EVERYTHING	69	74	GET INTO MY LIFE
		ANDY GIBB/RSO RS 872 (Polydor)			BELOY'D/20th Century 2353
38	28	I CAN'T HELP IT	70	—	ONE STEP AT A TIME
		MICHAEL HENDERSON/Buddah 578			JOE SIMON/Spring 176 (Polydor)
39	44	JUST FOR YOUR LOVE	71	—	I GOT TO HAVE YOUR LOVE
		MEMPHIS HORNS/RCA 11064			FANTASTIC FOUR/Westbound 5540 (Atlantic)
40	43	THE WHOLE TOWN'S LAUGHING AT ME	72	—	LAY IT ON ME
		TEDDY PENDERGRASS/Phila. Intl. Z58 3633 (CBS)			SYLVIA/Vibration V1 570 (All Platinum)
41	47	RUNNING AWAY	73	—	SUPER SEXY
		ROY AYERS UBIQUITY/Polydor 14415			LEON HAYWOOD/MCA 40793
42	42	THIS COULD BE THE NIGHT	74	—	THIS TIME WE'RE REALLY THROUGH
		R.B. HUDMAN/Atlantic 3413			ELEANOR GRANT/Columbia 3 10617
			75	—	INVITATION TO THE WORLD
					JIMMY BRISCOE & THE BEAVERS/Wanderick 70001 (T.K.)

New Wave News (Continued from page 94)

liberate new wave anthem which bears a close resemblance to **The Who's** 1967 youth anthem; **The Vibrators' "London Girls"** (Epic) is a live version of one of the better tracks from their debut lp; **Alberto Y Los Trios Paranoias' "Snuff Rock"** (Stiff) is a four song ep produced by **Nick Lowe** that contains a couple of the label's most outrageous songs to date—and that's saying something; **Patti Smith's "Gloria"** (Arista) b/w "My Generation" is a 12" single packaged in what else, but a plain brown paper bag; **Television's "Venus"** b/w "Prove It" (Elektra) is also on 12" vinyl but has been pressed on light or dark green vinyl depending on the press run; **The Valves' "Robot Love"** b/w "For Adolfs' Only" (Zoom) is one of the most uh, unusual singles despite the fact that the quartet is clearly musically proficient—the b-side being a Nazi chant; **The Only Ones' "Lovers Of Today"** (Vengeance) is a haunting ballad with a smooth melody; **The Nosebleeds' "Ain't Bin To No Music School"** b/w "Fascist Pigs" (Rabid) is self-explanatory. While to many he'd be considered old wave, **Ian Hunter** and his **Overnight Angels** have a new self produced single titled "England Rocks" which is not included on his new album. Hunter has simply returned to the manic "Brain Capers" sound he forged earlier in his career which should put him back on track.

NOTES: **Patti Smith** is looking for a keyboardist. Anyone interested should know where to contact her . . . Import Records is planning an initial shipment of about 20,000 for the **Stooges' "Metallic K.O."** album. The lp will carry a disclaimer concerning the sound quality . . . **Mink DeVille's** European tour included sell outs in the U.K., Paris and Amsterdam . . . **Wolfgang Jedliczka** contacted us last week with the news that he has licensed the Skydog catalogue to his Swedish Blitz label. The first records to be released are by the **Tyla Gang** and **Motorhead** . . . **The Ramones** are planning a tour of the U.K. for December. On October 6, they'll be at the Palladium in N.Y. with **Iggy Pop**.

RADIO NOTES: WCMF (Rochester, N.Y.) has a weekly new wave show on Saturday evenings (5:30-6:00) called "Surf's Up." Deejay **Suzanne King** presents the taped show with songs and phone interviews from England.

LIVE WAVE: CBGBs has bought the 1800-seater Anderson Theatre (a premier concert hall from pre-Fillmore days) where large-draw Anglo and American punk bands will play two shows a night for three or four days a week. Some of the rear seats will be removed for standing room, a bar and pinball. \$100,000 is being invested in the theatre's physical renovation aside from sound and lighting improvements which will take top priority. Scheduled for a Thanksgiving opening . . . **Skafish** is creating a commotion around Chicago with his bizarre stage show . . . **Bob Geldof** of the **Boomtown Rats**, currently crossing the country to promote their exciting lp, will start a U.S. tour around April.

R&B REGIONAL BREAKOUTS

Singles

Albums

East:

Roy Ayers (Polydor)
Emotions (Columbia)
Patti LaBelle (Epic)
Fantastic Four (Westbound)

South:

Smokey Robinson (Tamla)
Emotions (Columbia)

Midwest:

Kellee Patterson (Shadybrook)
Emotions (Columbia)
Sylvia (Vibration)

West:

Vernon Garrett (ICA)
Leon Haywood (MCA)

East:

Pockets (Columbia)
Diana Ross (Motown)
Ashford & Simpson (Warner Bros.)

South:

Blackbyrds (Fantasy)
Diana Ross (Motown)
Con Funk Shun (Mercury)

Midwest:

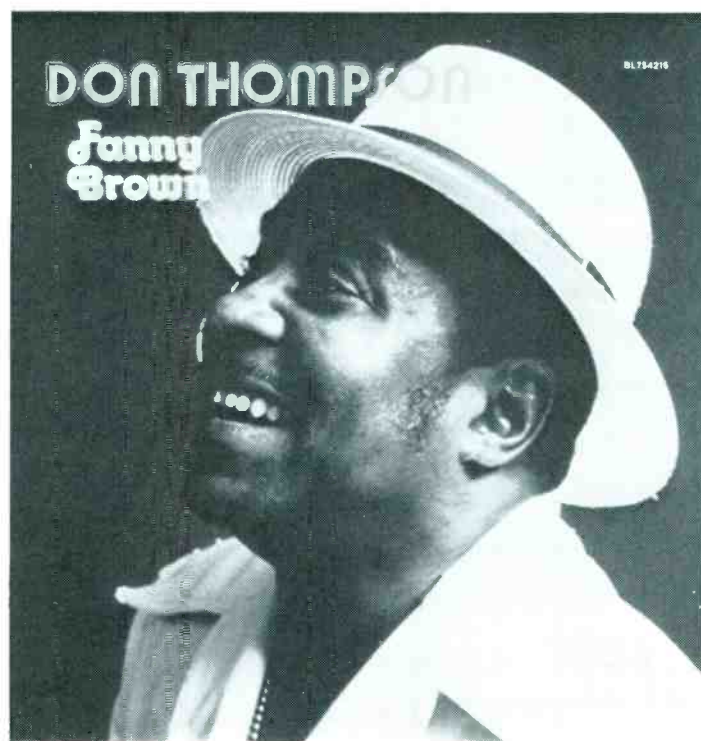
Diana Ross (Motown)
Manchild (Chi Sound)
Gil Scott-Heron & Brian Jackson (Arista)
Ashford & Simpson (Warner Bros.)

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1. **COMMODORES**
Motown M7 884R1
2. **IN FULL BLOOM**
ROSE ROYCE/Whitfield WH 3074 (WB)
3. **BARRY WHITE SINGS FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE**
BARRY WHITE/20th Century T 543
4. **TOO HOT TO HANDLE**
HEATWAVE/Epic PE 34761
5. **BRICK**
Bang BLP 409
6. **REJOICE**
EMOTIONS/Columbia PC 34762
7. **FLOATERS**
ABC AB 1030
8. **STARWARS AND OTHER GALACTIC FUNK**
MECO/Millennium MNLP 8001 (Casablanca)
9. **SOMETHING TO LOVE**
LTD/A&M SP 4646
10. **SHAKE IT WELL**
DRAMATICS/ABC AB 1010
11. **MAZE FEATURING FRANKIE BEVERLY**
Capitol ST 11607
12. **RIGHT ON TIME**
BROTHERS JOHNSON/A&M SP 4641
13. **PATTI LABELLE**
Epic PE 34847
14. **DEVIL'S GUN**
C.J. & COMPANY/Westbound WB 301 (Atlantic)
15. **LIFELINE**
ROY AYERS UBIQUITY/Polydor PD 1 6108
16. **I REMEMBER YESTERDAY**
DONNA SUMMER/Casablanca NBLP 7056
17. **BENNY AND US**
AWB & BEN E. KING/Atlantic SD 19105
18. **GOIN' PLACES**
MICHAEL HENDERSON/Buddah BDS 5693
19. **FEELIN' BITCHY**
MILLIE JACKSON/Spring SP 1 6715 (Polydor)
20. **GO FOR THE GUNS**
ISLEY BROTHERS/T-Neck PZ 34432 (CBS)
21. **ACTION**
BLACKBYRDS/Fantasy F 9535
22. **BELIEVE**
MASS PRODUCTION/Cotillion SD 9918 (Atlantic)
23. **NIGHTWINGS**
STANLEY TURRENTINE/Fantasy F 9534
24. **CARDIAC ARREST**
CAMEO/Chocolate City CCLP 2003 (Casablanca)
25. **CHOOSING YOU**
LENNY WILLIAMS/ABC AB 1023
26. **TRAVELIN' AT THE SPEED OF THOUGHT**
O'JAYS/Phila. Intl. PZ 34683
27. **INTO SOMETHING (CAN'T SHAKE LOOSE)**
O.V. WRIGHT/Hi HLP 6001 (Cream)
28. **A REAL MOTHER FOR YA**
JOHNNY GUITAR WATSON/DJM DJLPA7 (Amherst)
29. **COME GO WITH US**
POCKETS/Columbia PC 34879
30. **BABY IT'S ME**
DIANA ROSS/Motown M7 890 R1
31. **SERGIO MENDES AND THE NEW BRASIL '77**
Elektra 7E 1102
32. **SECRETS**
CON FUNK SHUN/Mercury SRM 1 1180
33. **SLICK**
EDDIE KENDRICKS/Tamla T6 35651 (Motown)
34. **POWER & LOVE**
MANCHILD/Chi Sound CH LA765 G (UA)
35. **PLATINUM JAZZ**
WAR/Blue Note LA690 J2 (UA)
36. **SWEET PASSION**
ARETHA FRANKLIN/Atlantic SD 10102
37. **BRIDGES**
GIL SCOTT-HERON & BRIAN JACKSON/Arista AB 4147
38. **GAMES, DANCES AND GUITAR THANGS**
EDDIE HAZEL/Warner Bros. BS 3058
39. **TEDDY PENDERGRASS**
Phila. Intl. PZ 34390 (CBS)
40. **SEND IT**
ASHFORD & SIMPSON/Warner Bros. BS 3088

Disco File (Continued from page 87)

end, however, this is an impressive and unexpectedly intelligent album, complete with a splashy package designed by artist Richard Bernstein. It's bound to be an instant hit with the disco crowd, but it's sure to have an even broader appeal.

Two other albums to pick up on right now: **Ashford & Simpson's** "Send It" (Warner Brothers), their most satisfying, immediately involving lp in years with the prime cut being a departure for them—an instrumental called "Bourgie Bourgie" (6:07) that features Valerie herself on piano, **Eric Gale** on guitar and **Ralph MacDonald** on percussion and congas. "Bourgie Bourgie" is sophisticated and snappy, building to fine guitar-strutting peaks, then ebbing back to lush waves of strings. This one's a personal favorite at the moment and DJ Larry Levan says the first-time-out response from his crowd was so good that he's already put it on his top 10 from the still-under-construction 84 King Street club in New York. **Ripple** is back after a rather long absence with an album called "Sons of the Gods" on Salsoul, highlighted by a happy funk cut titled "The Beat Goes On and On" (4:29). "Beat" is one of those smooth, sprightly songs with cool, repeated vocals that feels so up and optimistic it's hard to resist.

RECOMMENDED DISCO DISCS: **Samba Soul's** "Chove Chuva/Mas Que Nada" (RCA) is a bright, jazzy Brazilian instrumental (written by **Jorge Ben**) that perks along delightfully for most of its 7:47 length, only losing me toward the end when almost everything is stripped from the song but the drum beat. Producer **Warren Schatz** disco-mixed this one from an original Brazilian production—his previous two records—"Express Yourself" and "Hold Tight"—proved he has a sure enough sense of the disco market to put across progressive and potentially "difficult" arrangements and it looks like he's scored with this one, too: both Tom Webb and Michael Melkonian have included it on their top 10s this week. The flip side, "Mambo No. 5," takes off from a familiar-sounding **Perez Prado** composition for nearly nine minutes; the first five minutes struck me as one of the best Latin dance records in some time, but after that, I was ready to throw something at the turntable. Too long for my taste . . . **Alfie Davidson**, a New York DJ from way back with a loyal following among a number of younger spinners, has come out with a disco record of a song he wrote, called "Who Is Gonna Love Me" (RCA), making him, I believe, the first DJ to turn big-label recording artist—the ultimate professional crossover. The record is a sweet hustle and has the distinction of being released in two separate versions back-to-back on one disc; the battle of the disco mixes. Both sides are something over six minutes, one mixed by Tom Moulton, the other by **David Todd**, both in their characteristic styles (Moulton's lush, Todd's more brittle and percussion-obsessed) . . . "Keep It Up" by **Nightfall** (RCA), available in back-to-back vocal/instrumental versions (both 5:25), is a wonderfully sleezy record that outdoes "More, More, More" in the porno disco category with a sweet sex fantasy of a girl vocal praising the man who can "keep it up, whip it up, stand it up, etc." Very cute and featuring a fine piano break; produced by a young New York DJ named **Cory Robbins** with **Eric Matthew**.

NEWS & NOTES: **Donna Summer's** version of "Je T'Aime," reviewed here several issues back, has never been officially released by Casablanca though a test run of 500 copies was distributed to disco DJs a month ago, and now, it seems, the disco disc pressing might go back on the shelf. Initially, a company source said, the record was being held to avoid immediate competition with the **Saint Tropez** album cut, but the lack of any real enthusiasm for the advance copies and the abundance of Summer material already on the market has made the label rethink plans for a commercial release. An additional 500 copies of "Je T'Aime" may be tested on the club level in the next week or two, but if the response is still disappointing, this could turn into one of the year's hottest limited edition collector's items. . . The continuing saga of **Chic's** "Dance, Dance, Dance (Yowsah, Yowsah)" got very complicated this week. Buddah, its distribution deal with Arista now in action, announced that it was rush-releasing both a disco disc and a standard single. But simultaneously, Atlantic reported that not only had it purchased "Dance, Dance, Dance," but it was planning to issue the record, also on a rush-release schedule, as its first commercial disco disc—a major move for the company that pioneered the format but has previously held back from marketing it. At press time it looks like both companies are releasing the record at the same time. It's showdown time at the disco.



THE JAZZ LP CHART

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1. **NIGHTWINGS**
STANLEY TURRENTINE/Fantasy F 9534
2. **LIFELINE**
ROY AYERS UBIQUITY/Polydor PD 1 6108
3. **FREE AS THE WIND**
CRUSADERS/ABC Blue Thumb BT 6029
4. **ENIGMATIC OCEAN**
JEAN-LUC PONTY/Atlantic SD 19110
5. **BLOW IT OUT**
TOM SCOTT/Ode BL 34966 (CBS)
6. **LOOK TO THE RAINBOW**
(AL JARREAU LIVE IN EUROPE)
AL JARREAU/Warner Bros. 2BZ 3052
7. **LIFESTYLE (LIVING AND LOVING)**
JOHN KLEMMER/ABC 1007
8. **FRIENDS AND STRANGERS**
RONNIE LAWS/Blue Note BN LA730 H (UA)
9. **TURN THIS MUTHA OUT**
IDRIS MUHAMMAD/Kudu KU 34 (CTI)
10. **MORE STUFF**
STUFF/Warner Bros. BS 3061
11. **LIVE**
LONNIE LISTON SMITH/RCA APL1 2433
12. **FINGER PAINTINGS**
EARL KLUGH/Blue Note BN LA737 (UA)
13. **COMING THROUGH**
EDDIE HENDERSON/Capitol ST 11671
14. **CTI SUMMER JAZZ AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL, VOL. 2**
CTI 7077
15. **RIGHT ON TIME**
BROTHERS JOHNSON/A&M SP 4644
16. **SERGIO MENDES AND THE NEW BRASIL '77**
Elektra 7E 1102
17. **ACTION**
BLACKBYRDS/Fantasy F 9535
18. **CTI SUMMER JAZZ AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL, VOL. 1**
CTI 7076
19. **GOIN' PLACES**
MICHAEL HENDERSON/Buddah BDS 5693
20. **MUSIC IS MY SANCTUARY**
GARY BARTZ/Capitol ST 11647
21. **BYBLUE**
KEITH JARRETT/ABC Impulse AS 9331
22. **DUNE**
DAVID MATTHEWS/CTI 5005
23. **LAND OF MAKE BELIEVE**
CHUCK MANGIONE/Mercury SRM 1 684
24. **TIM WEISBERG BAND**
TIM WEISBERG/United Artists LA773 G
25. **BRIDGES**
GIL SCOTT-HERON & BRIAN JACKSON/Arista AB 4147
26. **PICCOLO**
RON CARTER QUARTET/Milestone M 5504
27. **FIRE ISLAND**
HERBIE MANN/Atlantic SD 19112
28. **SWEET LUCY**
RAUL DE SOUZA/Capitol ST 11648
29. **SERENGETI MINSTREL**
SONNY FORTUNE/Atlantic SD 18225
30. **HEAVY WEATHER**
WEATHER REPORT/Columbia PC 34418
31. **STAIRCASE**
KEITH JARRETT/ECM 2 1090 (Polydor)
32. **CTI SUMMER JAZZ AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL, VOL. 3**
CTI 7078
33. **BREEZIN'**
GEORGE BENSON/Warner Bros. BSK 3111
34. **GO TOO**
STOMU YAMASHITA/Arista AB 4138
35. **IN FLIGHT**
GEORGE BENSON/Warner Bros. BSK 2893
36. **TONE TANTRUMS**
GENE HARRIS/Blue Note BN LA760 H
37. **I'M FINE, HOW ARE YOU?**
AIRTO/Warner Bros. BS 3084
38. **PLATINUM JAZZ**
WAR/Blue Note BN LA690 J2 (UA)
39. **PHANTAZIA**
NOEL POINTER/Blue Note LA736 H (UA)
40. **MAIN SQUEEZE**
CHUCK MANGIONE/A&M SP 4612

CONCERT REVIEW

Sedaka Does It All

■ LOS ANGELES — Neil Sedaka (Elektra) is indeed an entertainer's entertainer. At his recent engagement at the Universal Amphitheatre, Sedaka not only performed brilliantly on voice and piano, he also livened up his 1 1/2 hour show with sparks of humor and dance.

Dressed impeccably in a white suit, Sedaka opened the show by himself, playing a few oldies such as "My Diary" and a very amusing "Stupid Cupid" (culled, as the singer himself put it, "from my Connie Francis period."). During his lighthearted set, Sedaka won the hearts of the relatively young adult audience with some amusing quips presented in a "self-interview."

As he finished his "life story" his very adept five member band and two female backup singers joined the performer for a spirited version of "Love Will Keep Us Together." The band, featuring Jim Horn on assorted variations of his name-sake instrument and Mark Warner on guitar, remained with Sedaka throughout the show.

Old and New

Sedaka relied on a combination of oldies and songs from his two Rocket/MCA releases for the main body of the show, drawing tremendous audience response for "Bad Blood," the two versions of "Breaking Up Is Hard To Do" and a very moving "Solitaire." However, only two songs from his current Elektra release, "A Song," were performed, suggesting that Sedaka realized that his past efforts would make the show.

With such a performance, utilizing song, fine arrangements,

a bit of humor and some fancy foosteping, it is definitely true that Sedaka is back.

If for some unknown or unforeseen reason Sedaka had failed to come through during his performance, England Dan & John Ford Coley would very likely have stolen the show.

Appearing very confident and sure of themselves, the duo performed their last three hit singles ("Nights Are Forever Without You," "I'd Really Love To See You Tonight" and "It's Sad To Belong") from their two Big Tree releases.

Although they relied on their soft, mellow love songs to win over the crowd, they also proved to be skilled rock and rollers, especially on "I Hear The Music" and "Maybe Tonight." Guitarist Bubba Keith assisted the duo in attracting a warm response, strutting back and forth across the stage and performing on various instruments with abandon. Their encore was "Never Be Another For Me" off "Nights Are Forever."

Alan Rockman

RCA Parton Push

■ NEW YORK — Dolly Parton's new RCA album, entitled "Dolly Parton," will be released this month. Produced by Gary Klein of the Entertainment Company, it contains Parton's new single, "Here You Come Again," written by Barry Mann and Cynthia Weil and performed by Parton recently on the Rock Awards television program.

RCA will distribute a 22" by 22" Dolly Parton poster, mobiles, streamers, store display pieces and posters and a special Dolly Parton product order form.

Tomlinson's Toronto Toast



Shown from left are A&M president Gil Friesen; A&M recording artist Malcolm Tomlinson; and A&M Canada a&r coordinator Michael Godin. The occasion was Tomlinson's Toronto nightclub debut at the Colonial, where he performed songs from his first A&M album, "Coming Outta Nowhere."

Papa John at the Line



When Papa John Creach headlined New York's Bottom Line, he was greeted by a collection of industry representatives. Pictured from left: Doug Dombrowski, vice president of Amherst Records (which distributes DJM Records—on which Papa John appears in the U.S.), who flew in from Buffalo for the event; Papa John's manager Clancy Grass; Amherst Records president Lenny Silver; Papa John; DJM Records' U.S. general manager Carmen La Rosa; and Dave Colson, vice president of Amherst Records' parent company, Transcontinent Record Sales, Inc.

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KFRC, Q102, 99X and WAVZ, among others.

Lake (Columbia) "Time Bomb." All major action centers in the midwest with support from KSLQ (this week), WZUU, WPEZ, WGCL, WORD and WGSV. LP sales also emanate from that region both at retail and through racked accounts.

Bob Welch (Capitol) "Sentimental Lady." Out-of-the-box support from KSTP, KSLQ, KLIF, WIFI and WTIX on this first from the generously received debut lp by the former Fleetwood Mac member.

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Duke was there; Chet Flippo was there; Peter Herbst was there; Robert Smith was there; the Spy was there (although he left as a thief; Chuck Pulin was there without his Ohio State shirt (thank God) but, alas, without an Oklahoma shirt; the Duke turned over a couple of chairs and screamed something about scum and slime; and a good time was had by all.

M.I.A.: Bob Ezrin

OUTTA HERE: As revealed exclusively in N.Y., N.Y. last month, Genesis guitarist Steve Hackett has left the group to pursue a solo career. His first solo album, "Voyage of the Acolyte," was released last year by Chrysalis. The group is currently mixing their forthcoming studio effort, to be titled "Round Three," in Holland. The lp is due sometime in the new year. In the meantime, a live double album, "Seconds Out," recorded on their 1976 and 1977 tours, will be released at the end of October by Atlantic. No decision on a replacement for Hackett has been made and the group is currently working as a trio: Michael Rutherford, bass, guitars; Phil Collins, percussion and Tony Banks, keyboards.

JOCKEY SHORTS: What New York promotion man has an article in the current issue of Screw magazine under a pseudonym? . . . Members of Kiss, Starz and Piper, Eddie Kramer and Sean Delaney all appeared on the stage of Trax last week for an impromptu jam session . . . Kiss' forthcoming two record set includes the equivalent of four sides of live music on the first three sides of the album, while the fourth side will be new studio material, recorded in the empty Capitol Theatre in Passaic two weeks ago so as to approach a concert sound . . . Michael Jackson said to be excellent in his second billed role in The Wiz. Diana Ross stars . . . Ram Jam manager Ed Klevan is also the agent for John Havlicek and several baseball players . . . Giuseppe Giannini, managing director of Sugar Music and CGD of Italy, was in N.Y. recently to discuss sub-publishing and distribution deals with American companies. His cocktail party last week drew a large contingent of the international legal community.

Record World en Brasil

By OLAVO A. BIANCO

■ **Sergio Reis** (RCA) con el éxito del film "O Menino Da Porteira," ya empieza planes para otro film. El disco con la banda sonora de la película va muy bien... El grupo **O Terço** (Copacabana) está grabando un nuevo lp, que está considerado como el mejor grupo de "rock" de Brasil. El grupo busca nuevos caminos y nos traerá cosas nuevas en este lp... La WEA brasileña, después de firmar a **Belchior** y a **Raúl Seixas**, está atacando a **Ney Matogrosso** (Continental) cuya voz, según recordamos, era la más destacada del grupo **Secos y Molhados**. ¿Llegarán a un acuerdo?... Otra cadena de Televisión prepara su expansión. Conocida por su organización y extraordinario buen gusto para musicales, la TV Bandeirantes de Sao Paulo prepara la inauguración de la TV Guanabara, en Río de Janeiro.

Con el cambio habido en la dirección de la Cadena Tupi, todos los shows comenzarán a ser producidos en Río de Janeiro, con las excepciones de "Clube Dos Artistas" y "Almoco com as Estrellas." Y hablando de esto, **Lolita Rodríguez**, quien presenta los programas arriba mencionados, y que antes de esto fuera una cantante de éxito, ha sido contratada como cantante por la RCA, que ya ha lanzado su primer disco... **Benito de Paula** (Copacabana) ha regresado muy impresionado con sus éxitos en Buenos Aires, Argentina. El álbum "María Baiana" que fué lanzado en diciembre del 76, sigue firme en las listas de ventas. Otra cosa curiosa: Todos los álbumes de Benito se venden sin excepción.

Hace poco, un importante "Trade Paper" publicó una curiosa infomación. Según ellos, la importación de discos de los Estados Unidos, tiene una venta anual en Brasil de unos \$3.6 millones de dólares. Recordamos que hace tres años, la importación de discos en Brasil no era muy extensa, y estaba muy por debajo de esa cifra debido a los altos impuestos y después, porque aquí tenemos una industria muy bien equipada para, con todo el respeto, no necesitar importaciones de discos. Evidentemente, esto se dice con todo el respeto para los países hermanos latinos, donde muchos artistas y cantantes han grabado con nosotros en Brasil. Vamos a dar informaciones, señores, pero verdaderas, ¿sí?... **Altemar Dutra** (RCA) grabó el tema principal de la novela "Nina." Por cierto, lo

hizo tan bien, que de seguro será un éxito!... **Martinha**, de regreso al Brasil, firmará con **Marcos Lázaro**, que será su representante artístico.

El nuevo álbum de **Waleska** (Copacabana) sigue con muy buena acogida en Río de Janeiro. La cantante "triste" está muy contenta, al menos con el éxito del disco... "Don't Cry For Me Argentina," es un single que tiene tres versiones en Brasil. La original, con **Julie Covington** (MCA/Phonogram), y otras dos, una de la Beverly y otra de la RGE. ¿Cuál es la razón de que la Beverly esté siempre entre los primeros lugares en cuanto a ventas? ¿Será mejor que el original? No, pero seguramente lo que sucede es de-

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VIP of the Week

■ **Joe Fisher**, operations director of WCKO and WRBD, in Florida, program director for WCKO and a deejay from 7 to 11 in the morning at this radio station, is a very energetic and knowledgeable professional who has been taking both radio stations to a strong position in the ratings in Florida. WCKO is an FM station covering from Palm Beach County to Miami and WRBD, an AM station, covers Palm Beach County and Broward County. The FM station, of course, covers the whole of Dade County in which Miami and Miami Beach are located.

WCKO is opening studio facilities in the North Side Shopping Center, located in Miami, in order to be right in the area in which the radio station is becoming so strong. Both radio stations are addressed to blacks, from who they have been enjoying more and more acceptance because of their musical programming and services to the black community. Since the area covered by the two radio stations is densely populated by blacks and Latins, **Joe Fisher** has been including in his programming several Latin productions such as **Bebu Silveti**, **Fania All Stars**, **The Afro Cuban Blues Band** and several others, which are moving Latins to listen to "the radio stations that are also playing our music," without interfering with the regular musical taste of their black audience.

As Joe mentioned in this interview, "The productions we are

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DESDE NUESTRO RINCON INTERNACIONAL

By TOMAS FUNDORA



■ Se celebrará la Convención "MIDEM '78" (International Record and Music Publishing Market) en Cannes, Francia, del 20 al 26 de Enero. Han pasado 12 años desde que la primer MIDEM hubo de celebrarse y actualmente cuenta con el apoyo de la gran mayoría de la industria discográfica mundial. Empresas grabadoras, editoras de música, empresarios, representantes de artistas, radio, prensa y televisión del mundo entero se dan cita en Cannes, para conocer los nuevos productos, efectuar intercambios, compra y venta de cintas, etc. El año pasado participaron 1054 compañías discográficas y 4671 participantes de más de 47 países.

Este año luce MIDEM con mayores probabilidades aún. Se espera gran participación de aquellos países en los cuales sus propios gobiernos han separado "stands" en la convención, tales como Canada, Australia e Irlanda. En MIDEM se celebrará el "30 Aniversario del Disco Long Playing," ya que hace ese tiempo que Columbia Records y RCA en Estados Unidos y L'oiseau Lyre en Francia lanzaron casi simultáneamente sus primeros long playings. Las oficinas de MIDEM en Estados Unidos están localizadas como sigue: **John Nathan**, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, Suite 4535... ¡Asistiremos como todos los años!

Los autores, compositores, editores musicales, productores fonográficos e intérpretes ofrecieron un agasajo, en el salón "Martín Fierro" del Sheraton Hotel de Buenos Aires, Argentina, al inventor de SADAIC (Sociedad de Autores y Compositores Argentinos), Comodoro **Julio Raúl Lu-chessi**, quien señaló que "los verdaderos y auténticos dueños de SADAIC son los autores y compositores argentinos y yo quisiera entregarles en el menor tiempo posible la sociedad a ellos"... ¡Ojalá que cuando la entreguen totalmente saneada, no vuelva a pasar lo que tantas otras veces!

Lanzará Gala Records en Nueva York el próximo mes, su primer album con el muy popular **Trini López**. A su vez, Coco Records acaba de firmar a la cantante cubano-peruana **Lisette**, a un contrato como artista exclusiva... Se encuentra **Celia Cruz** en el máximo de su popularidad mantenida a través de los años. Estará apareciendo la próxima semana en Chicago, acompañada por **Johnny Pacheco**, después de triunfales actuaciones con **Willie Colón** y **Rubén Blades** en California, en el Sheraton Palace de San Francisco y en el Hollywood Palladium de Los Angeles y de sus apariciones con **Willie Colón**, **Rubén Blades**, **Típica 73** y la **Orquesta Novel** en el Roseland Ballroom de Nueva York... **Los Sobrinos del Juez** (The Judge's Nephews) obtuvieron resonado éxito con sus actuaciones en Centroamérica, después de sus presentaciones en el Ramada Inn de Miami, por tres meses. Actualmente están actuando en el Crossway Inn de Miami y grabando su nuevo elepé, que será distribuido internacionalmente por RCA... **Al Santiago** acaba de completar su nuevo álbum de los **Alegre All Stars**, que será puesto a la venta próximamente por Fania... Atlantic Records acaba de lanzar el nuevo álbum de **Ray Barretto** titulado "Eye of the Beholder." Nos reportan que su anterior álbum en Atlantic "Tomorrow," está vendiendo bien en Venezuela... José Fajardo estará actuando en Nueva York con su banda por seis semanas, comenzando en Octubre 21. Su álbum actual en Coco Records titulado "El Talento," está vendiendo bien. **Ray Rodríguez** y **Duro** han firmado como artistas exclusivos de Fania... **Saoco** está terminando

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Celia Cruz



Judge's Nephews



Ray Barretto

LATIN AMERICAN HIT PARADE

Oxnard, Cal.

By KOXR (Marco A. del Castillo)

1. SIEMPRE EN MI MENTE
JUAN GABRIEL/Arcano
2. HAY UN MOMENTO
CHELO/Musart
3. PAJARILLO
NAPOLEON/Raff
4. NUNCA MAS ME IRE
LOS KASINOS/Falcon
5. EL INFIERNO ES AMOR POR TI
FERNANDO ALLENDE/Orfeon
6. SOY SOLTERO Y DIVORCIADO
NACHO DE HARO/Latin Int.
7. MI JOVEN CORAZON
MANUEL EDUARDO/Fama
8. TE QUISE OLVIDAR
LOS JINETES/Safari
9. UN BESO NADA MAS
ANACANI/Anahuac
10. LLAMARADA

Connecticut

By WRYM (Aguilera-Martinez)

1. OTRO OCUPA MI LUGAR
OSCAR SOLO/Borinquen
MIGUEL GALLARDO/Latin Int.
2. DE TODAS MANERAS ROSAS
ISMAEL RIVERA/Tico
3. HOLA SOLEDAD
ROLANDO LASERIE/Musart
4. ME MUERO EN LAS BARRAS
LUIS GONZALEZ/Flor Mex
5. SI NO FUERA POR MIS HIJOS
JOSE ORTIZ/Tizor
6. TU ME ABANDONASTE
ISMAEL MIRANDA/Fania
7. EL MAL DEL QUERER
YOLANDA DEL RIO/Arcano
8. TUS MALETAS EN LA PUERTA
LOS GONZALEZ/Flor Mex
9. LO HAN VISTO CON OTRA
LOS TERRICOLAS/Discolando
10. PRONOSTICO
IMPACTO CREA/Vaya

San Francisco

By KBRG (Oscar Munoz)

1. PESARES
MANOLO MUNOZ
2. QUIERO OLVIDARME DE TI
GRUPO EL TRFN
3. EL TELEFONITO
CHAF Y QUELI
4. SIEMPRE EN MI MENTE
JUAN GABRIEL
5. SUAVECITO
ISMAEL MIRANDA
6. HUELE A QUEMAO
OSCAR D'LEON
7. LA GAVIOTA
MOCEDADES
8. REGRESA YA
LOS BABY'S
9. ME TIENES QUE RESPETAR
CHELO
10. SI TE VAS, TE VAS
HUGO BLANCO

Pasadena

By KWKW (Pape Rolon)

1. TAN LEJOS TAN LEJOS
ESTELA NUNEZ/Arcano
2. REGRESA YA
LOS BABYS/Peerless
3. AQUEL INMENSO AMOR
GRUPO MIRAMAR/Safari
4. QUIERO OLVIDARME DE TI
GRUPO EL TREN/Orfeon
5. PESARES
MANOLO MUNOZ/Gas
6. QUIERO SABER
JOSE AMBRIZ Y SU GRUPO/
Super Sonido
7. PAJARILLO
NAPOLEON/Raff
8. PEDIDA Y DADA
FELIPE ARRIAGA/Caytronics
9. BESITOS
LOS HUMILDES/Fama
10. UN HIJO EN FEBRERO
ALDO MONGES/Microfon

Brazil

By ASSOCIACAO BRASILEIRA

1. SONHOS
Peninha/Phonogram
2. MEU SANGUE FERVE POR VOCE
SIDNEY MAGAL/Phonogram
3. DON'T CRY FOR ME ARGENTINA
JULIE COVINGTON/Phonogram
4. MISSISSIPPI
PUSSYCAT/Chantcler
5. DANCE AND SHAKE YOUR
TAMBOURINE
UNIVERSAL ROBOT BAND/Odeon
6. SOMEBODY TO LOVE
QUEEN/Odeon
7. YOU AND ME
ALICE COOPER—WEA
8. I DON'T WANT
NAZARETH/Phonogram
9. BABY I LOVE YOUR WAY
PETER FRAMPTON/Odeon
10. EU PRECISO TE ESQUECER
CLAUDIA TELLES/CBS

Puerto Rico

By WTRR (Maelo)

1. JUAN EN LA CIUDAD
RICHIE Y BOBBY
2. LUZ DEL ALMA MIA
FELITO FELIZ
3. NO RENUNCIARE
LOLITA
4. HOLA, SOLEDAD!
ROLANDO LASERIE
5. SIEMPRE EN MI MENTE
JUAN GABRIEL
6. EL NEGRO CHOMBO
TOMMY OLIVENCIA
7. TU ME ABANDONASTE/COMO MI
PUEBLO
I. MIRANDA
8. PARA DECIR ADIOS
EYDIE GORME Y DANNY RIVERA
10. A ESCONDIDAS TE VERE
FELITO FELIX

Argentina

By CENTRO CULTURAL

1. CON EL VIENTO A TU FAVOR
CAMILO SESTO/RCA
2. EL RELOJ
LOS PASTELES VERDES/Microfon
3. NADITA NAI NAI
CUMBO/Microfon
4. MORIR AL LADO DE MI AMOR
DENNIS ROUSSOS/Phonogram
5. QUE HAY QUE HACER PARA
OLVIDAR
DANNY/RCA
6. QUE TENDRAS EN ESOS OJOS
JUAN EDUARDO/RCA
7. SOY UN TONTO SIN TU AMOR
DIEGO VERDAGUER/M. Hall
8. AZUCAR, PIMIENTA Y SAL
HECTOR VARELA/Microfon
9. DONDE ESTAN TUS OJOS
SANTABARBARA/Odeon
10. QUIERO TU VIDA
LUCIANA/EMI

Venezuela

By MANOLO OLALQUIAGA

1. PAISAJE
BILLO'S CARACAS BOYS
2. NO QUIERO ESPEJO
LOS MELODICOS
3. EL BECERRITO
LILIA VERA
4. NECESITO LLAMAR SU ATENCION
ROBERTO CARLOS
5. AQUELLA NOCHE
UN DOS. TRFS Y FUERA
6. QUINCEANERA
PECOS KANVAS
7. SIENTO EL AMOR
DONNA SHAMFR
8. LA MARICUTANA
YOLY SANDOVAL
9. ENTRE TUS BRAZOS
DELIA
10. POR QUE TE VAS
JEANETTE

Nuestro Rincon (Continued from page 106)

un nuevo álbum bajo la dirección de **Joe Caín**. Mericana Records, subsidiaria de Caytronics está preparando una fuerte campaña promocional de este grupo, coincidiendo con sus próximas presentaciones en el Madison Square Garden en Noviembre 11. . . **Rigo Tovar**, altamente vendedor director del grupo **Costa Azul** de México, ha recibido tratamiento en Inglaterra, para tratar de que su amenazada vista, tenga posibilidades de recuperación. El padecimiento le ha robado parte de la visión lateral y amenaza con dejarlo sin vista. . . Gran regocijo en Los Angeles, ante la celebración del "35 Aniversario" de Radio KWKW. . . Los **Hermanos Rigual** se encuentran en Santo Domingo, de donde recibimos su tarjeta postal, haciéndonos conocer su éxito con el nuevo long playing de ellos, lanzado bajo el título "Alegria Tropical" en el mercado internacional. . . **Alfredo Gutiérrez** de Colombia, está actuando en Venezuela luego de haber grabado dos elepés en Colombia, para la temporada de Diciembre. Uno con el compositor vallenato **Hernando Marín** y el otro con interpretaciones del propio Alfredo. . . Lanzó Fuentes en Colombia un nuevo álbum de los **Latin Brothers**, bajo el título "Báilame Como Quieras" con sus cantantes **Joe Arroyo**, **Victor Meléndez** y **John Jairo**. . . **Susan M. Eggleton** ha pasado a una nueva posición en Radio WIND de Chicago. **Armando Rancana** ha pasado a ser el Director Musical de la emisora WOJO de Chicago. ¡Felicidades a ambos! . . . De gran impacto la grabación en Español del talentoso músico-cantante norteamericano **Herman Kelly** y su **Grupo Life**. Con su "Dance By The Drummer Beat" disfrutando de éxito interesante en el mercado norteamericano, su interpretación de "Easy Going" ha recibido el título de "Noches Eternas" (H. Areiva) en Español, contando con el apoyo de la radio latina en estas áreas. . . Y ahora. . . ¡Hasta la próxima!

The 12th MIDEM (International Record and Music Publishing Market) will take place in Cannes, France, January 20-26. Twelve years have passed by since the first MIDEM was held, and actually MIDEM counts a great majority of the music and record industry among its attendees. Record companies, music publishers, managers, radio, television and press from the whole world will meet in Cannes, to take knowledge of new products, to interchange, to buy and sell tapes, sub-publishing deals, etc. In 1977 MIDEM confirmed its inter-

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airing are of groups that have mixed the so-called soul beat with the Latin beat, which in a way have similar roots. You take this influence of Latins and blacks and mix in what they are calling the disco sound, and you have a pretty decent sound, that will not be insulting to our dominate audience, which is black. It also helps our station to sound like we're different. Other stations are doing top 20, top 25, top 30 or top 40 or whatever you want. They all sound alike. We've got two stations and one of our stations is a traditional black station; up-tempo, the jocks are high energy so to speak, so we sort of differentiate with the FM. We've picked the Latin sound, mixed it with the black sound and we're going into some jazz, so this has increased our jazz by some 10 hours in the last couple of weeks."

Both radio stations are breaking new records in the area. They are giving everybody an opportunity and as a result they are forcing other important radio stations to pick their programming and follow it. **Joe Fisher** is a fighter and feels that you have to come up with new ideas constantly in order to stay up with competition.

Joe Fisher, an artist himself, is



Joe Fisher

always going deep down to the real nitty gritty of things: "You have to recognize the fact that a lot of blacks and Latin artists are beginning to recognize that they have to have a wider scope in this business when it comes to the kind of music they present on record or on stage. For instance, in my days, it was a dominate black sound, when I was on the stage we did the black things and that was it. Well, now, the young people like **Herman Kelly**, for instance, learn to speak Spanish and they learn to sing in Spanish or any other language and they go out and get a wider audience. So that way the radio stations, either Latin or black, have to pay attention to somebody who is improving his condition as an artist. It is not easy,

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EN ESTOS MOMENTOS Y A ESTAS HORAS

MARIO ECHEVERRÍA—Latin Int. DLTS 6036

Con su interpretación del tema del título, Mario Echeverría está logrando buenas ventas en varios territorios. Resaltan en este álbum "Dame Tu Ventana" (M. Echeverría), "Nube Gris" (Márques Talledo), "Adiós Amor" (Echeverría) y "Volverás" (J. C. Calderón).

■ With his performance of the title tune, Mario Echeverría from Argentina is selling big in several areas. Also superb in this package: "Dame Tu Ventana," "Sin Darme Cuenta" and "Sólo Tú" (Ram Rand).



ROMANCE SURAMERICANO

CLAUDIA DE COLOMBIA—CBS 14-1073

Bellos arreglos orquestales respaldan a Claudia de Colombia en este desfile de hermosas e inolvidables melodías suramericanas. Se incluyen entre otras "Mis Noches Sin Ti" (M.T. Márquez-D. Ortiz), "Un Poquito De Tu Amor" (J. Gutiérrez), "Llorar Llorar" (A. Cresseri) y "Mi Propio Yo" (Ch. Sarabia).

■ Great orchestrations and arrangements back Colombian singer Claudia in a package of romantic standards from South America, such as "Mi Amor Es La Cumbia" (A. de la Espriella), "Amor Se Escribe Con Llanto" (A. Dalmar) and "Vasija De Barro" (Benítez y Valencia).



EL RANCHERO ROMANTICO

RAMON BLANCO—Musart TEDM 10646

Se luce la voz de Ramón Blanco en un repertorio de música ranchera. Se incluyen entre otras "Me Muero Con Tu Adiós" (T. Paiz), "Arrepentida" (L.C. Villafuente), "Soy Casado" (J.M. Figueroa) y "Quiero Llorar" (T. Paiz).

■ Ramón Blanco from Mexico offers a very commercial package of Mexican rancheras. Among others are "Pilares De Cristal" (V. Torres Muñoz), "Te Odio Y Te Quiero" (Alesio-Yiso), "Quiero Llorar" and "No Todo Está Perdido" (L. Castilho-Da Silva-López Lee).



SPRING RAIN

SILVETTI—Salsoul SZS 5516

Con arreglos y dirección de Bebu Silveti, esta grabación está tomando fuerza dentro del mercado Disco. Como éxito va "Coconut Rain" (Silveti). También muy buenas "Spring Rain" (Silveti), "Contigo" (Silveti), "Two Cups Of Coffee" (R. Trabuccheli) y "A Smile At Dawn" (Silveti).

■ With arrangements and direction by Bebu Silveti, this package is starting to move nicely in the disco market. Are included "Spring Rain" (Silveti), "Coconut Rain" (Silveti), "Fortune Teller" (Silveti) and "A Smile At Dawn" (Silveti).

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bido a la distribución, que es todavía uno de los secretos del éxito.

Roberto Carlos (CBS), como siempre, es tema de gran parte de la prensa. ¿Sigue en la CBS o no? ¿Grabará su nuevo disco en Brasil o en el extranjero? ¿Pero, cómo en el extranjero, si él es uno de los Miembros del Consejo Nacional de Derechos Autorales? Esta novela promete, señores, y mucho. . . Dentro de poco no podrán cargar las casas nocturnas de Brasil a sus clientes el llamado "cover artístico" o el "mínimo" o cualquier tipo de "derecho de admi-

sión," si no presentan al menos una hora de música "en vivo" y con músicos brasileños. Y eso se aplica también, y principalmente a las "discoteques."

Hippopotamus

Nelson Ned (Copacabana) prepara su nuevo álbum que ya está en proceso de grabación. . . **Ricardo Amaral**, responsable de la creación de la discoteca "Hippopotamus" (hoy club privado) y también del "Papagaio Disco" (la más buscada por los jóvenes), prepara la apertura de una "discoteque" en Nueva York. Y esto es todo por ahora!

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but you have to be and sound different.

"You have to have a musical background to lead a radio station to success. All my people have a lot of musical background. I'm a former musician, and spent ten years of my life on the road. I danced, acted in plays, sang, I did whatever was necessary to survive in the musical field. I know how hard it is, so that's why you have to be able to understand that people, talented people, need help. We are open to everything that is new and on which we see and hear talent expressing itself. That's why we have been breaking records, new records I mean, by new artists and groups. We force the others to follow our policy in programing. That's our duty.

"We have to give an opportunity to our blacks and Latins in the area. If we don't, who is going to do it for them? Our radio station is always helping the community in every way. We sponsor shows, events and everything that could be of help to our community. Since our audience goes up to 400,000 people, our responsibility is big, real big, and we have to perform with that same amount of responsibility in order not to lose our captivated fans.

It has been hard work but it is paying off. Our listeners love us. They dig the kind of music we play. Our main purpose as a radio station is to be of service to our community and that's what we are doing, and now, knowing that Latins are also being captivated by our sound, we are really enjoying that extra margin of audience."

It is easy to see wall plaques, gold records and that sort of trophy hanging on the walls and on the desk of **Joe Fisher**. He has been giving everybody an opportunity and the stations are a complete success in South Florida.

NATRA Broadcast

One of the latest goals accomplished by WCKO and WRBD was the broadcast (live) of the National Association of TV and Radio Announcers' meeting which brought to their audience the living aspects and actions of the black radio announcers while they were at their annual convention. Well, WCKO and WRBD are breaking new records in the area and this is the man behind these two radio stations. Joe Fisher would appreciate deejay copies addressed as follows: Joe Fisher, WCKO Radio, 4431 Rock Island Rd. Lauder Hill, Fort Lauderdale, Fla. 33319.

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national reputation by welcoming 1054 companies and 4671 participants from 47 countries. This year, the MIDEM Convention will be greater than ever. Large delegations are also expected from the countries whose governments have reserved a stand: Canada, Australia and Ireland. For the Netherlands, the Conamus group will unite on one stand all participating Dutch companies. MIDEM will also celebrate the "30th Anniversary of Long-Playing Record." It was 30 years ago that Columbia Records and RCA in the United States and L'Oiseau Lyre in France almost simultaneously released their first lps. For further information, please contact: MIDEM, U.S.A. Office, **John Nathan**, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, Suite 4535, New York, N.Y. 10020. We will attend as every year! . . . Composers, music publishers, record manufacturers, and artists from Argentina gave a party for Comodoro **Julio Raúl Luchessi**, SADAIC supervisor (Argentinean Society of Authors and Composers) in the Martin Fierro Salon of Sheraton Hotel in Buenos Aires. Luchessi said, "The only owners of SADAIC are the authors and composers of Argentina and my wish is to put this society in their hands as soon as possible. We hope that when this happens, this association will be a healthy one and remain like that for years to come."

Next month, Gala Records of New York will release its first album with **Trini López**, the very popular singer. Meanwhile, Como Records just signed an exclusive contract with **Lisette**, the Cuban-Peruvian singer. . . **Celia Cruz**, at her highest level of popularity, will perform next week in Chicago with **Johnny Pacheco**, after their successful appearances with **Willie Colón** and **Rubén Blades** in California, at the Sheraton Palace in San Francisco, and at the Hollywood Palladium of Los Angeles, and after her also successful performances at Roseland Ballroom in New York. . . **The Judge's Nephews** were a success in Center America, after their performances at the Ramada Inn in Miami. Now they are performing in the Crossway Inn of Miami. They are recording a new lp that will be internationally distributed by RCA. . . **Al Santiago** has just finished his new album with the **Alegre All Stars**. This lp has been produced by Fania and will be in the record shops shortly. . . The recording of the talented American music-singer-composer **Herman Kelly and Life** is a smash. His song, "Dance To The Drummer Beat," is rated as a success in the American market.

CBS Wholesale Price Increase

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cities dominated by chain stores.

Rich Isaacs, manager of Aquarius Records in San Francisco, told **Record World** that initially his stores will probably "eat" the increase. "I would assume that the wholesale price increase will get passed on to us," he said, "but I haven't heard anything yet. A 12-cent increase might be difficult for us to pass on, however, because of prices that come close to the next dollar amount, like \$4.98 and \$5.98. A hike at retail would probably be destructive and more trouble than it's worth."

Kevin Keefe, manager and buyer for Bay Area Record and Tape Express, a one-stop, was blunt in his assessment: "My job is almost gone. In the next five years I won't be around. I don't think it'll affect the business too much, but it's another blow against the one-stop, and maybe the manufacturers don't see this as being important."

"The owner-operators, the guys who carry the merchandise, need to have another dollar in the record, because they're paying a lot more for it right now. If this trend continues, you'll see nothing but huge retailers and supermarkets in the future."

Garrett

Lou Garrett, buyer for Stark Records, called the CBS price hike "a disappointment," but conceded it was inevitable. Garrett's tack will be to buy as much \$7.98 product as his stores can handle between now and October 10. Thereafter, Garrett said, Stark will most likely be more careful with its in-store promotions. "CBS is our number one supplier," he explained, "but this increase cuts our margin a little bit. I guess we'll be reluctant to feature some of the new CBS product as much as we have in the past."

Traub

Fred Traub, buyer for the 75-store Record Bar chain, believes the price hike will have a snowball effect: initially, he says, it will insure that all manufacturers take \$7.98 product up to the \$3.95 range at wholesale. As the increase is passed along to dealers, the price of records at retail will be forced upward. As Traub sees it, this chain of events, should it come to pass, will be deleterious not only to one-stops but also to record departments in Penney's, Sears and the like, due to the increased pressure on those stores to pass on additional costs to consumers while continuing to operate profitably.

"WEA and CBS represent close to 50 percent of the business," said Traub. "With those two companies now having raised wholesale prices on \$7.98 to between \$3.95 and \$3.97, we would appear to be on the verge of having all other companies take up their wholesale prices to the same range. It wouldn't surprise me if Phonodisc went up on October 1, as soon as they take on the Casablanca line. When manufacturers go up a dollar on list they actually go up more, proportionately, on dealer cost. That puts pressure on the bottom line and eventually forces the price up at retail."

Reduced Margins

"Chains such as Penney's will

have margins reduced, and the record business will become less attractive for them if they can't compensate. There will also be pressure to reduce units or to get sufficient dating in order to carry more units.

"There's going to be significant price pressure. We made 'money' on the first WEA increase because only five albums were affected, and tape prices were lowered. But that pendulum has shifted. When 39 percent of the hit albums are priced at \$7.98, as they are now, price advantage disappears for the dealer. So when other manufacturers join in the pressure on retailers will increase. Something has to give sooner or later."

U.K. Record Sales Up 16 Percent

By PHILIP PALMER

■ LONDON—U.K. record sales should reach the £200 million mark (\$348 million) this year, according to the British Phonographic Industry (BPI). Representing an increase of around 16 percent over the 1976 figures of £172.3 million (\$299.8 million), it shows that there is a slight easing of inflation's effect on the music industry.

The BPI bases the figures on six months sales, now that the figures for the April-June period are available. Total value of deliveries to the trade during the first half was £78.4 million (\$136.42 million), an increase of nearly 15 percent over the same period last year. The April-June contribution was at £34.1 million (\$59.33 million) nearly 7.3 percent over the first quarter of last year.

Dealing with singles, the BPI

reveals that first-half sales increased by nearly one million units, an increase of 3.5 percent, with value rising by over £1 million (\$1.74 million). Sales during the April-June quarter were four percent down on the same period in 1976.

Although album sales showed a nine percent decline in April-June, value was up six percent, and business for the first six months increased by almost £7 million (\$12.8 million) from £45.1 million (\$78.47) to £51.8 million (\$90.13), an upturn of 15 percent which was slightly behind the 17.4 percent increase in the mean value of the retail price index.

However, it was the music cassette which was "by far the most encouraging configuration in the first six months," according to the BPI. January-March figures reveal an increase of 13 percent in unit sales while second quarter figures

Conti to Interworld



Michael Stewart, president of Interworld Music has signed composer/conductor Bill Conti, who received an Academy Award nomination for his "Rocky" score, to a long term writing pact. Conti is currently working on the score to "F.I.S.T.," a new film starring Sylvester Stallone. Conti will make his Broadway debut October 5 performing with Cleo Laine.

show an increase of 15 percent, with sales at 3.4 million.

The BPI also reveals that the ratio between lp unit sales and music cassettes continues to narrow and in the first quarter of the year the percentage rose to 21, climbing to 22 percent in April-June.

The report shows a different light on the sales of the cartridge. There continues to be an overall decline in unit sales of around 40 percent per annum and this has now increased to over 56 percent in the most recent period. Sales for this period have collapsed to 207,000 against 472,000 for the same period in 1976. The value has dropped to £415,000 (\$722,100) from £869,000 (\$1,512,060).

Meanwhile the BPI has joined forces with the Mechanical Rights Society (MRS) to sponsor a market research exercise to determine the current level of home copying.

This domestic tape piracy is costing artists, composers, record companies and music publishers a staggering £50 million in lost royalties.

Six from Capitol

■ HOLLYWOOD — Jim Mazza, vice president, marketing, for Capitol Records has announced six albums to be released by the label on October 10.

Releases feature Sammy Hagar's third solo album "Musical Chairs;" "La Costa" by the artist of the same name; rock veteran Lonnie Turner's "Home At Last;" Freda Payne's disco-oriented "Stares and Whispers;" "Colleen" by Colleen Peterson, Canada's "Best New Female Vocalist;" and "Gene Watson's Beautiful Country."



Mink DeVille recently toured across the United States following the release of their self-titled, debut Capitol lp. The band came to the midwest with two shows at Chicago's Ivanhoe Theatre. After the appearance, bandleader Willy DeVille was congratulated by air personalities of WXRT (the concert's sponsor). Pictured are (front row): Brian Langlois, Chicago promotion manager; John Platt, WXRT Program Director; Leslie Witt from WXRT; Bruce Ravid, midwest AOR promotion coordinator; and Scott McConnell from WXRT. Pictured in rear, from left, are: Bob Skafish from WXRT; Willy DeVille; and Tim Fox, WXRT salesman.

CANADA

By ROBERT CHARLES-DUNNE

■ TORONTO — IF ALL THE WORLD'S A STAGE, REGINA IS THE ORCHESTRA PIT DEPT.: **Rush**, taking western Canada in stride as the first leg of the "Farewell To Kings World Tour," scored very well in the otherwise dull prairie provinces of Canada. Having toured the west several times before, the trio was aware that even large name acts can play to bar-sized crowds through no fault of their own in prairie cities. This time, however, the majority of the dates were financially rewarding and in almost all cases, audience attendances were up from their last appearances there. Also, don't be too surprised if **Rush** ends up investing in a mammoth laser light show, now under serious consideration. Says one insider: "All we have to do now is figure out how to pay for it... all we need is one hit single." Meanwhile, the western tour was the first major dates promoted by Thrifty's Presents, a pant-store chain working in conjunction with the **Clive Corcoran** Organization. The two companies are currently bidding on acts for future appearances, apparently happy with the **Rush** results.

YOU THINK YOU'VE GOT A BIG BUTTON DEPT.: WEA Canada, boasting its number one position in Canada (and top WEA branch globally), laid on an impressive spread for a recent Canadian convention which was attended by WEA execs around the world. New releases mentioned at the meet, which was dominated with audiovisual whizkid demos, include a double **Joni Mitchell/Weather Report** (???) collaboration, a double live **Genesis** lp, a triple **Neil Young** anthology, and new discs from **Queen**, **George Benson**, **ABBA** and the **Spinners**.

TIME FOR A CHANGE DEPT.: Mushroom Records began with the owners of a Vancouver studio deciding to use their facility to record acts for their own label. And, of course, it was a smart decision. Sounds Interchange, a Toronto studio, has made a similar move, (Continued on page 111)

GERMANY

By JIM SAMPSON

■ COLOGNE/HAMBURG — New product for fall release was the major subject for presentation at the EMI Electrola sales convention in Cologne. But in his keynoter, managing director **Friedrich E. Wottawa** touched on two matters that impact on sales—piracy and imports. Wottawa sees some improvement in the import situation. EMI England recently raised prices substantially, making a modest five percent boost in Germany possible. A more serious problem is piracy. Electrola now has its own anti-piracy staff, supplemented by watchful field reps. Very soon, Wottawa says, dealers will be able to easily recognize unauthorized EMI pressings through a new system of "small technical details."

The sales convention, under the motto "Full Speed Ahead," was led by Electrola sales chief **Juergen Thuernau**. Classics marketing head **Dr. Herfrid Kier** prevailed the first EMI/harmonia mundi release plus several world recording premieres. Pop marketing boss **Georg Stoffers** announced heavy radio and in-store promotion assistance for **Cliff Richard**, "Beatles Love Songs" and several hit collections. Electrola international a&r director **Helmut Fest** presented three live acts: Rak's dynamic **Hot Chocolate**; **No Dice**, an English band that forges heavy metal with power and melody; and **Mink de Ville**, whose stage presence and musical versatility set them a notch above any other band we've heard all summer.

What with **Elvis** records dominating album sales and **Baccara** doing the same on the singles charts, RCA's **Hans Georg Baum** decided to hold this year's sales convention in London. On hand from the States were RCA International chief **Karl J. Kurz Jr.**, European VP **Ken Glancy** and many others. Baum predicts RCA Germany will at least double its market share in 1977 to between eight and ten percent, making the German company, according to the Americans present, one of the most successful within the entire RCA organization.

Wolfgang Kretzschmar's new international product manager at Intersong will be **Peter Ende**, ex-DGG, with **Juergen Hofius** (ex-Bellaphon) taking over national product management. **Margie** (Continued on page 111)

ENGLAND

By RON McCREIGHT

■ LONDON—Following the death of former **T. Rex** leader **March Bolan**, EMI is to proceed with the release of a 20 track "Solid Gold" album which was already being compiled with the singer's assistance.

EMI is already experiencing stock difficulties which could become serious once its double **Cliff Richard** compilation album gets in the order books. Massive sales on other TV advertised album by the **Supremes** has kept the company from building stocks on catalogue items in recent weeks in sufficient quantities to meet the Christmas demands.

BMI senior executives **Edward Cramer**, **Theodora Zavin** and **Robert Musell** hosted a lunch at London's Inn On The Park hotel in honor of PRS writer and composer members responsible for million performance songs in 1976. **Gallagher & Lyle** were in attendance to receive their awards, and **Brian Brolly**, accepting on behalf of **Paul & Linda McCartney**, explained that the couple much regretted their absence but not the reason for it—the birth of their first son, **James**.

Two Arista groups, **Caravan** and **Nova**, are currently touring together backing up album releases—"Better By Far" and "Wings Of Love" respectively—and a Hammersmith Odeon date is included on October 2nd. **Don Williams'** latest visit is having an outstanding effect on his "Country Boy" single and album as a result of a nationwide tour which closes on September 30th in Bristol. **Ritchie Blackmore's Rainbow** commences a European tour on October 31st with **Kingfish** in support with three nights at the Rainbow Theatre on November 11th, 12th and 13th, and following the British dates they head for Scandinavia, Holland, Germany, Yugoslavia, Austria and France. The **Heartbreakers** are on the road for a month from October 1st playing the Rainbow on October 20th.

Potential hits this week come from **China** ("On The Slide"—Rocket), **Jigsaw** ("Only When I'm Lonely"—Splash) and **Tina Charles** ("Love Bug"—CBS). Best albums are **Sailor's** "Checkpoint" (CBS) and **Chris Spedding's** "Hurt" (Rak). A **Phil Spector** compilation, "Echoes Of The Sixties" (Polydor), is added to the ever increasing list of TV advertised product.

Len Beadle leaves ATV Music to head up April Music, while **Eric Hall** departs from EMI to join the publishers as promotion manager. **Terry Yason** joins Ensign Records as promotion chief; **Des McKeogh** takes up a similar post at State, replacing **Neil Ferris**; **Paul Rodwell** is appointed manager of business affairs at CBS; **Roger Holt** switches from Polydor to WEA to become Atlantic label manager; and **Phil Cooper** becomes head of Island international, replacing **David Betteridge**, who recently resigned.

FRANCE

By GILLES PETARD

■ Phonogram took over the distribution of Chrysalis, while Vogue signed up Sonet. As a follow-up to "Magic Fly" by the group **Space**, which was number one on the British and French charts, Vogue is releasing "Carry On Turn Me On," already released in the States on United Artists . . . Starting on October 1, the distribution of Capitol goes to EMI-owned Sonopresse; **Maxime Schmitt** stays in charge of the management.

Pathé just released a luxurious 4-record box by **Gene Vincent**, including a booklet with heretofore unissued interviews of the artist . . . Good sales reports from the group **Café Crème**, which has an lp made up of disco versions of **Beatles** hits; the group is produced by **Laurent Rossi**, who already chalked up "Bimbo Jet" a few years ago . . . Another disco version is that of **Cole Porter's** "I Love Paris" by the group **Dandy**, on Transit International.

Frank Lipsick, chief of international at Pathé-Marconi, signed up the Butterfly label while on a recent visit to Los Angeles. A first release by the group **St. Tropez** has just been launched with heavy promo back-up . . . Eurodisque signed up **Philippe Clay** for three years and pacted the Playboy label. **Jacques Chabiron**, chief of international, is leaving the company.

Barclay is coming up with an excellent new single by **Charles Aznavour**: "Camarade" . . . **Donna Summer** is giving a concert in Paris on October 20.

JAPAN'S TOP 10

Singles

1. **WANTED**
PINK LADY—Victor
2. **KIKYO**
HIROMI GO—CBS/Sony
3. **AI NO MEMORY**
SHIGERU MATSUZAKI—Victor
4. **NIKUMIKIRENAI ROKUDENASHI**
KENJA SAWADA—Polydor
5. **COSMOS KAI DOH**
KARYUDO—Warner/Pioneer
6. **SHISYUKI**
HIROMI IWASAKI—Victor
7. **KUGATSU NO AME**
HIROMI OHTA—CBS/Sony
8. **MOH MODORENAI**
JUNKO SAGURADA—Victor
9. **NAGISA NO SUNBAD**
PINK LADY—Victor
10. **ENRYOSURUNAYO**
KENTAROH SHIMIZU—CBS/Sony

Albums

1. **UCHU SENKAN YAMATO**
ISAO SASAKI—Columbia
2. **SUMMER FIRE '77**
PINK LADY—Victor
3. **KAZAMIDORI**
MASASHI SADA—Warner/Pioneer
4. **THE DIARY**
HI FI SET—Toshiba
5. **GORO IN NEW YORK**
GORO NOGUCHI—Polydor
6. **DANRYU**
SAYURI ISHIKAWA—Columbia
7. **JANIS IAN**
JANIS IAN—CBS/Sony
8. **CANDY LABEL**
CANDIES—CBS/Sony
9. **UNUAKARI**
AKIRA INABA—Discomate
10. **HOTEL CALIFORNIA**
EAGLES—Warner/Pioneer

Germany (Continued from page 110)

Kowalski assists Ende in international exploitation. Intersong has half the songs on the eagerly awaited Rolf Soja-produced Baccara lp, due shortly. Speaking of Baccara, Magazine Music's Wolf Bruemmel reports he's gotten 38 covers of the group's million selling "Yes Sir, I Can Boogie" in Germany alone. Just pacted with Magazine: Miki Dallon's Pilot Music.

New addresses: Volker Spielberg has opened the new April Publishing offices in Hamburg at An der Alster 83, 2000 Hamburg 1, telephone (040) 240745; Spielberg is both April pub director and international manager, assisted by Eddy Bachinger in national exploitation. Also on the move is Rolf Baierle's Roba Music to Feldbrunnenstr. 15, 2000 Hamburg 13, tel. (040) 4102121, telex 02-173377. Baierle's latest deals include several Carrere French productions (Belle Epoque and Sheila B. Devotion's smash "Love Me Baby") and some André Segovia copyrights (!).

Canada (Continued from page 110)

giving birth to Change Records. Jeff Smith, studio owner, acts as president, with John Stewart, a producer of some note, assuming a&r chores, and former MCA national promo director Bob Johnston handling promo and marketing, Rita Gall administrating the publishing with Allen Shectman. Acts signed to the label include Myles, formerly of Myles & Lenny, and Jim Mancel, formerly with Chester.

BITS'N'PIECES: Attic's Patsy Gallant became the first Canadian female vocalist to pick up a gold single so far with "Sugar Daddy." A recent trip to the U.K., where the single is rising to top 10 status in the charts, included an appearance on "Top Of The Pops," the esteemed institution on TV which (though assailed by London critics as being pap) drew even The Sex Pistols for a recent filming. And when Johnny Rotten & co. appear on bubblegum TV, you know it's reaching a lot of homes. Also visiting the U.K. soon should be Johnnie Lovesin, the Smile label's "Electric Kid." Misunderstood in this market, Smile is debating the merits of sending Lovesin to a land where they understand, something which Lovesin has deserved for more years than most artists are in the business. Johnnie's also redubbed his band The Sidewalk Commandos.

CANADA'S TOP 10

Singles

1. **I JUST WANT TO BE YOUR EVERYTHING**
ANDY GIBB—RSO
2. **HANDY MAN**
JAMFS TAYLOR—CBS
3. **TELEPHONE MAN**
ELO—UA
4. **DA DOO RON RON**
SHAUN CASSIDY—WB
5. **UNDERCOVER ANGEL**
ALAN O'DAY—Pacific
6. **EASY**
COMMODORES—Motown
7. **YOU AND ME**
ALICE COOPER—WB
8. **HOW MUCH LOVE**
LEO SAYER—WB
9. **KEEP IT COMIN' LOVE**
KC & SUNSHINE BAND—TK
10. **HIGHER & HIGHER**
RITA COOLIDGE—A&M

Albums

1. **RUMOURS**
FLEETWOOD MAC—WB
2. **EVEN IN THE QUIETEST MOMENTS**
SUPERTRAMP—A&M
3. **CSN**
CROSBY, STILLS, NASH—Atlantic
4. **MOODY BLUE**
ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA
5. **CRIME OF THE CENTURY**
SUPERTRAMP—A&M
6. **I'M IN YOU**
PETER FRAMPTON—A&M
7. **STAR WARS**
20th Century
8. **LITTLE QUEEN**
HEART—Portrait
9. **THE GRAND ILLUSION**
STYX—A&M
10. **GOING FOR THE ONE**
YES—Atlantic

(Courtesy CRIA)

ENGLAND'S TOP 25

Singles

1. **WAY DOWN** ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA
2. **SILVER LADY** DAVID SOUL/Private Stock
3. **MAGIC FLY SPACE**/Pye
4. **OXYGENE** JEAN MICHEL JARRE/Polydor
5. **DEEP DOWN INSIDE** DONNA SUMMER/Casablanca
6. **TELEPHONE MAN** MERI WILSON/Pye
7. **BEST OF MY LOVE** EMOTIONS/CBS
8. **BLACK IS BLACK** LA BELLE EPOQUE/Harvest
9. **FROM NEW YORK TO L.A.** PATSY GALLANT/EMI
10. **SUNSHINE AFTER THE RAIN** ELKIE BROOKS/A&M
11. **I REMEMBER ELVIS PRESLEY** DANNY MIRROR/Sonet
12. **NOBODY DOES IT BETTER** CARLY SIMON/Elektra
13. **THINK I'M GONNA FALL IN LOVE WITH YOU** DOOLEYS/GTO
14. **LOOKING AFTER NUMBER ONE** BOOMTOWN RATS/Ensign
15. **DO ANYTHING YOU WANNA DO** RODS/Island
16. **WONDEROUS STORIES** YES/Atlantic
17. **I CAN'T GET YOU OUT OF MY MIND** YVONNE ELLIMAN/RSO
18. **BLACK BETTY** RAM JAM/Epic
19. **NIGHTS ON BROADWAY** CANDI STATON/Warner Bros.
20. **NO MORE HEROES** STRANGLERS/UA
21. **I REMEMBER YESTERDAY** DONNA SUMMER/GTO
22. **DANCIN' IN THE MOONLIGHT** THIN LIZZY/Vertigo
23. **GARY GILMOUR'S EYES** ADVERTS/Anchor
24. **YES SIR I CAN BOOGIE** BACCARA/RCA
25. **THUNDER IN MY HEART** LEO SAYER/Chrysalis

Albums

1. **20 GOLDEN GREATS** DIANA ROSS & THE SUPREMES/Motown
2. **OXYGENE** JEAN MICHEL JARRE/Polydor
3. **MOODY BLUE** ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA
4. **A STAR IS BORN**/CBS
5. **20 ALL TIME GREATS** CONNIE FRANCIS/Polydor
6. **RUMOURS** FLEETWOOD MAC/Warner Bros.
7. **GOING FOR THE ONE** YES/Atlantic
8. **PLAYING TO AN AUDIENCE OF ONE** DAVID SOUL/Private Stock
9. **ELVIS PRESLEY'S 40 GREATEST HITS**/Arcade
10. **EXODUS** BOB MARLEY & THE WAILERS/Island
11. **STRANGLERS**/UA
12. **THE JOHNNY MATHIS COLLECTION**/CBS
13. **MAGIC FLY SPACE**/Pye
14. **I REMEMBER YESTERDAY** DONNA SUMMER/GTO
15. **HOTEL CALIFORNIA** EAGLES/Asylum
16. **WELCOME TO MY WORLD** ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA
17. **ARRIVAL** ABBA/Epic
18. **NEW WAVE** VARIOUS ARTISTS/Vertigo
19. **THEIR GREATEST HITS: 1971-1975** EAGLES/Asylum
20. **RAIN DANCES** CAMEL/Decca
21. **BEST OF ROD STEWART**/Mercury
22. **MY AIM IS TRUE** ELVIS COSTELLO/Stiff
23. **A NEW WORLD RECORD** ELO/Jet
24. **ENDLESS FLIGHT** LEO SAYER/Chrysalis
25. **ELVIS PRESLEY SUN COLLECTION**/Starcall

Album Reviews

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DIZRYTHMIA

SPLIT ENZ—Chrysalis CHR 1145 (7.98)

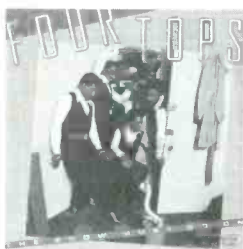
The group is still a long way from winning any sort of beauty contest, but their music has taken on a polish and gleam from a rather awkward debut. Production from Geoff Emerick and a general tightening up of the songwriting department gives this New Zealand based group a bright new outlook.



THE SHOW MUST GO ON

FOUR TOPS—ABC AB 1014 (6.98)

One of the group's more spirited albums in some time, this quartet shows that they can still cut it with an impressive cross-section of material. The title song is a riveting uptempo number that contrasts with the ballad, "Love Is A Joy" and an r&b treatment of Stephen Bishop's "Save It For A Rainy Day."



MASTERMIND

Prelude PRL-12147 (6.98)

The ten man aggregate has come up with one of the most liveliest party records of the year. With a solid brass section and several vocalists alternating leads on songs like "I Am Music," "Hustle Bus Stop" and "Disco Party In The Street," the group should make their presence felt on the dancefloor.



INTAKES

RICK NELSON—Epic PE 34420 (6.98)

"Gimme Little Sign" is about as atypical a song for Rick Nelson to record as you'll find and yet his version is totally credible. Along with songs like "You Can't Dance" and Gallagher & Lyle's "Stay Young," the Brenton Wood song suggests a new scope for Nelson to focus on. A mature collection with a wide ranging appeal.



SPARK IN THE DARK

THE ALPHA BAND—Arista AB 4145 (7.98)

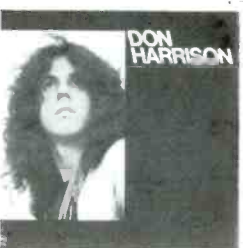
Guest appearances from artists as diverse as Ringo Starr and Osamu Kitajima suggest the uniqueness of this band fronted by Steven Soles, T-Bone Burnett and David Mansfield. With their second album and songs like "Born In Captivity," the trio has come a long way.



NOT FAR FROM FREE

DON HARRISON—Mercury SRM-1-1185 (6.98)

Now sans his band, but not the rock and roll spirit ("Helter Skelter," "Kick Ass Rock and Roll") Harrison returns with a new label and a Ken Scott production which coaxes several superb performances. "Art School Credentials" and "Not Far From Free" should score.



TOPAZ

Columbia PC 34934 (6.98)

This trio is led by Rob Stoner, bass player and one of the organizer's of Bob Dylan's Rolling Thunder Revue. With Jasper Hutchison (vocals) and Billy Cross (guitars) they forge a strightforward brand of rock rounded out by the instrumental support of several friends: Aynsley Dunbar, Mick Ronson and Howie Wyeth.



Import Albums

OVERNIGHT ANGELS

IAN HUNTER—CBS 81993 (U.K.)

While Hunter's third solo album was recently released by CBS in the U.K., it now appears the label will not put it out domestically. Roy Thomas Baker lends his distinct production sound to the lp which numbers some of Hunter's best songs: "Justice Of the Peace," "Overnight Angels," and "Golden Opportunity."



DOWN TO EARTH

SUTHERLAND BROTHERS & QUIVER—CBS 82255 (U.K.)

The departure of guitarist Tim Renwick was thought to have a drastic effect on the sweet sound of the group, but the real strength appears to be the songwriting of Iain and Gavin Sutherland who have risen to the occasion. "Every Tear I Cry" and "Ice In the Fire" could give the group the boost it is looking for.



THE QUIET ZONE/THE PLEASURE DOME

VAN DER GRAAF—Charisma CAS 1131 (U.K.)

The group has altered its line-up, replacing two members with Nic Potter (bass) and Graham Smith (violin) and the sound is of a noticeably different quality (especially due to Smith's presence). However, the lyrics and guitar work of Peter Ham-mill make for a strong continuity with past efforts.



GONG LIVE

GONG LIVE—Virgin VGD 3501 (U.K.)

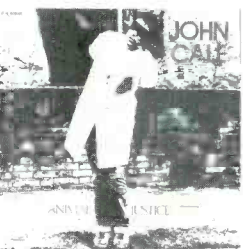
This two lp set covers the last three years of the group with live and previously unreleased studio recordings. Steve Hillage was featured in the line-up at the time of these recordings and played a central role in the slightly offbeat but structurally sound music of the group. Highlights include a side recorded at the Marquee in 1975.



ANIMAL JUSTICE

JOHN CALE—Illegal IL003 (U.K. ep)

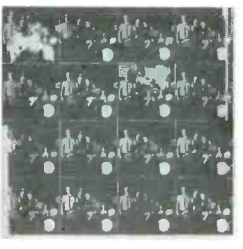
The first new material recorded by Cale in over a year comes via this 12" ep on the fledgling British label. Cale with his group composed of Ritchie Fliegler, Bruce Brody, Jimmy Bain and Kevin Currie covers three songs including "Memphis" and a nearly eight minute "Hedda Gabbler" which finds Cale in classic form.



THE BOYS

THE BOYS—Nems NEL 600 (U.K.)

After a single and an ep, the first album by the group delivers the thundrous promise with 14 tracks, all original save for Lennon and McCartney's "I Call Your Name." One of the few British new wave bands to incorporate keyboards into its sound, the group's music is basic and hard-hitting.



A MAJOR FANCY

JOHN LEES—Harvest SHSM 2018 (U.K.)

Lees, a founding member of Barclay James Harvest, recorded this material for a solo album in 1972-73, but until now, it was never released. The songs suggest the prominent role he plays in the group, with his leanings toward lush and sometimes elaborate melodies. Eric Stewart and Kev Godley of 10cc assist.



15 From Arista

■ NEW YORK — Arista Records will release 15 albums during October, including the first two under the Arista-Passport distribution deal, as well as several new collections on the Savoy and Freedom labels.

"The Bay City Rollers' Greatest Hits," with 10 songs, heads the release. Lily Tomlin's "On Stage," Rick Danko's solo debut, Don McLean's "Prime Time," Mandrill's "We Are One" and the debut album from Baby Grand are also due.

Also in the release will be "The Muppet Show," "Wings Of Love" by Nova, Bob Weir's first solo lp for the label, and, on Passport, Brand X's "Livestock" and "Intergalactic Touring Band."

Mike Mainieri's "Love Play," Larry Coryell and Steve Khan's "Two For The Road," the Headhunters' "Straight From The Gate" and Harvey Mason's "Funk In A Mason Jar" represents Arista's progressive releases.

On the Savoy and Freedom labels, the month will see "Kenny Clarke Meets The Detroit Jazzmen," "Mirage" by Art Blakely, Charles Mingus' "Jazz Workshop," Dexter Gordon and Wardell Gray's "The Hunt," a Joe Turner collection entitled "Have No Fear, Joe Is Here," volume two of the anthology "The Changing Face Of Harlem," a new lp from Miroslav Vitous, Anthony Braxton's "The Complete Braxton," Mal Waldron's "Signals," Stefan Grappelli's "Parisian Thoroughfare," Hampton Hawes' "I Little Copenhagen Night Music," "Diamond Express" by South Africa's Dudu Pukwana, and "Whisper Of Dharma" by the Human Arts Ensemble and C. Bobo Shaw.

A&M Releases Seven

■ LOS ANGELES—A&M Records has announced the release of its end-of-September album product. The release includes Joan Armatrading's new album, "Show Some Emotion;" Peter Allen's "It Is Time for Peter Allen," a two-record live set; The Stranglers' second album for the label, "No More Heroes;" Chuck Mangione's "Feels So Good;" a two-record live set from Nils Lofgren, "Night After Night;" Gato Barbieri's second A&M lp, "Ruby, Ruby;" and Paul Winter's "Earthdance."

E/A Promotes Schwartz

■ LOS ANGELES — Marty Schwartz has been named assistant director of national FM promotion at Elektra/Asylum Records, according to Burt Stein, E/A national FM promotion director.

Chrysalis Taps Two

■ LOS ANGELES — Stan Layton, national sales manager of Chrysalis Records has announced the expansion of Chrysalis's advertising and sales departments with the appointments of Fran Musso to the position of national advertising coordinator, and Brendon Bourke to the position of sales accounts liaison.

In her new position, Fran Musso will be responsible for coordinating all radio and trade buys, all regional and national consumer ads, and overseeing the development of marketing and merchandising aids. Previously, Ms. Musson served as office and personnel manager for Chrysalis.

Brendon Bourke, as sales accounts liaison, will be responsible for maintaining communications between the company and the independent distributors, keeping them informed of radio feedback and retailer inventories, in addition to performing national sales tracking. Prior to joining Chrysalis, Bourke served as product manager for Island Records in London.

In their new positions, both Musso and Bourke will report directly to Layton.

'Montreux Summit' Keys CBS Jazz LPs

■ NEW YORK—CBS Records is planning a slew of jazz releases for October on Columbia, Epic and Associated Labels. Highlighting the new lps is "Montreux Summit," a two-record set culled from the closing night of this year's Montreux Jazz Festival.

The six-hour concert featured a 16 member band with Maynard Ferguson and Woody Shaw on trumpet; Stan Getz, Benny Golson and Dexter Gordon on tenor sax; flutists Hubert Laws, Bobbi Humphrey and Thijs van Leer; guitarists Eric Gale, Steve Khan and Janne Schaffer; Bob James and George Duke covering the keyboard spectrum; bassist Alphonso Johnson; percussionist Ralph MacDonald; and drummer extraordinaire Billy Cobham.

In addition to "Montreux Summit," October's CBS jazz lp releases are from Billy Cobham, Dexter Gordon, Maynard Ferguson, Freddie Hubbard, Hubert Laws, Stan Getz, the VSOP Quintet, Ramsey Lewis and Shakti on Columbia; George Duke, Alphonso Johnson and Doc Severinsen on Epic; Tom Scott on Ode; and Bob James and Steve Khan on Tappan Zee. Also forthcoming is the previously-announced Contemporary Masters Series of unreleased jazz classics.

COUNTRY RADIO

By CHARLIE DOUGLAS

■ Bill Brunetti, MD at WEEP in Pittsburgh, is pleased with the fact that new ownership has moved into the station. Joseph Fields Intercom has purchased the station from long-time owner Myron Jones and the official transfer took place on 9/16. On the 10th of Sept. the station hosted the traveling Grand Ole Opry show and as a part of that celebration they turned the station over to Grandpa Jones for about a half hour (3:00-3:30) and let him run his own show. He picked a little, talked a little and I would suppose that listeners laughed a lot . . . Jim Dillman, KBIL, K.C. Mo, is actively looking. Seems there's a station sale coming up and he'd like to relocate. He's been there for a couple of years doing middays. Call him at the station.

T. Tommy Cutrer and Biff Collie are tremendously excited about a new TV project which should be getting underway within the next 45 days. It's a syndicated talk/music show, taped live, and indications are that it'll be a winner. One major group of network O&Os has asked for a hold for all their markets. Lester Varnadore says, that as one of the innovators of the project, no one from the networks will be in control of content and that it'll be country. Signed members of the band include Johnny Gimble and the Cates Sisters as fiddlers and that's about as country as you can get . . . Mickey Ashworth is now MD at KLVJ, Beaumont, in addition to his duties as PD . . . Bob Fuller, who for a while was in the record distribution business in Nashville, has returned to WSLR, Akron, and is pulling an air shift . . . The new all-night man at WHO is Bill France, formerly with KSO, both Des Moines. KSO is, by the way looking for a night personality. Contact J. P. Andrews at the station . . . The second annual FICAP Banquet and Show will feature Tommy Cash, Connie Smith, Charlie McCoy and the entire Larry Gatlin family with a special segment featuring the legendary Ernest Tubbs and The Texas Troubadors. The 1977 inductees into the Country Music DJ Hall of Fame will be an added highlight to the affair. Nominees for induction are Hugh Cherry, Cliffie Stone, Biff Collie and in the deceased category, Lowell Blanchard, Texas Bill Strength and Pappy (Hal) Horton. The banquet will be on Friday the fourteenth at the Hyatt Regency. Fred Foster will produce the show.

Dugg Collins at KDJW in Amarillo, Texas is in need of air talent and programmers with three years or more experience. Dugg and fellow Walton programmer Jim Christofferson were recently in Tucson to aid in the conversion of KIKX to country, . . . Dan Halyburton has moved into the PD's chair at WDGY in Minneapolis a long-time heavy rocker which has gone country and replacing Halyburton as WFMS, Indianapolis, is Herb Allen . . . John Scott Morgan has joined the Mike Burger crew at WHOO in Orlando and will be doing middays. He comes from WAVE in Louisville . . . Big John Trimble of WRVA in Richmond will be attending and taping for broadcast, the third annual Truck Drivers Awards show from St. Louis on Oct. 15. Headliners will be Dave Dudley, Red Sovine and Dave and Sugar.

Polydor Fetes Jackson



Millie Jackson was feted by Spring Records and Polydor Incorporated before her opening at the Roxy recently. Celebrating the current success of her "Feelin' Bitchy" album and the single, "If You're Not Back in Love by Monday," are (from left): Jules Rifkind, Spring Records; Millie Jackson; Don Mack, KGFJ program director. Bill Spitalsky and Roy Rifkind, Spring Records; (kneeling) Bill Brill, Polydor promotion.

RCA Signs Tom T. Hall



Tom T. Hall has signed an exclusive contract to record for RCA Records, according to Jerry Bradley, vice president, Nashville operations, and Roy Dea, executive producer. Dea said plans for Hall's first recordings for RCA would be announced shortly. In recent years, all of Hall's singles have been made the top 10 of the charts, many of them reaching number one; his albums also score well. He has become equally famous as a songwriter, penning songs for his own use and for many other artists as well. His most famous, recorded by Jeannie C. Riley, "Harper Valley P.T.A.," has sold more than five million copies. Pictured from left are: John Lentz, Hall's business manager; Hall; and Roy Dea.

CMA Sets Talent For Awards Show

■ NASHVILLE—On Monday, October 10 at 8:30 p.m. (CDT) the 11th Annual Country Music Association Awards will be telecast live from the stage of the Grand Ole Opry House in Nashville. At that time, winners in each of ten categories will be announced, as well as the newest member of the Country Music Hall of Fame.

The CBS network show will be hosted by Johnny Cash. Presenters and/or performers include: Bill Anderson, Chet Atkins, June Carter, Johnny Cash, Roy Clark, Jerry Clower, Dave and Sugar, Danny Davis and the Nashville Brass, Mac Davis, Tennessee Ernie Ford, Crystal Gayle, Johnny Gimble, Merle Haggard, Loretta Lynn, Barbara Mandrell, Charlie McCoy, Ronnie Milsap, Dolly Parton, Minnie Pearl, Charlie Pride, Jerry Reed, Hargus "Pig" Robbins, Kenny Rogers, the Statler Brothers, Mel Tillis, Conway Twitty, Don Williams and Tammy Wynette.

NASHVILLE REPORT

By RED O'DONNELL



■ ABC/Dot recording artist **Freddy Fender** portrays legendary Mexican bandit chieftain Pancho Villa in the "She Came to the Valley" movie now being filmed near McAllen, Tex. Freddy's drooping mustachio won him the role?

Dog-lover **Tom T. Hall** listened to "His Master's Voice" and signed with RCA. Credit the label's producer **Roy Dea** with an important assist on this major acquisition.

Title of the "really new" **Elvis Presley** double album is "Elvis in Concert." Is it true it hits the market this week?

Did **Kenny Rogers** and "Hee Haw" lovely **Marianne Gordon** get married Sunday (Oct. 2) in Los Angeles?

A mini-Tubb arrived for Opry regular **Justin Tubb** and his wife **Carolyn**. They've named him **Zachary Dale**. (Ernest Tubb is the grandfather, but if events follow the norm, Justin will be singing and doing, "Walking the Floor Over You.")

Waylon Jennings has firmly announced he doesn't plan to attend the Country Music Association's awards ceremony Monday, Oct. 10, but I hear he has accepted an invitation to Broadcast Music, Inc.'s annual "certificate of merit" presentation dinner.

Grandpa Jones with a tip: "If this winter is as cold as the last one, remember to wear long underwear—and keep your trap shut!"
Back to Kenny Rogers & Marianne Gordon: Kenny says it's true that

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Radio Replies to 'Free Talent' Charges

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talent is being given to the station."

In a survey conducted by **RW**, all stations responded without reservation that airplay is never a consideration in regards to free shows or "appreciation dates."

Broadcasters also refuted agency allegations that a performance at a station-sponsored "freebie" prevents acts from being booked into a market for periods of up to a year.

WPL0's Jim Clemmons noted, "Buck Owens played here last year (during the station's appreciation week) on a Friday night and played a paying date 40 miles from Atlanta on Saturday and sold it out. This year Vernon Oxford played our date Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and was at a club here on Friday."

Record label and radio personnel alike question the effectiveness of the agencies in booking acts into major markets.

"For acts that are trying to establish themselves, we offer a valuable format. Where else could they perform in front of 15,000 people? It's mutually beneficial, I think, and that is why the artists don't balk on these things," says WITL's Walton.

Tom Collins, of WDEE in Detroit, concurs. "There is no way they (the bookers) are as effective as we are at getting acts into Detroit."

Ric Libby, from Houston's KENR, added, "There are a dozen or so clubs here that book talent weekly and when we bring in an artist that has never been here before and put him on our show, he will probably get booked at one or two of those clubs within the next couple of months. It is worth money, to both the artists and the booking agents."

Artists exposure would seem to be beneficial to all parties and in most cases they are all in agreement on that part, but free performances by a "major" or "established" act are what upset the bookers most, because that is where their pocketbooks are most affected.

WITL held its first free show this year and featured, for the most part, "building" acts, thus there was little or no flak from bookers directed at Jim Walton. He notes, "I had no idea there was such a problem. The bookers never voiced these feelings to me. It is kind of disappointing, because it seems the battle lines have been drawn."

Gazelle Signs Ross

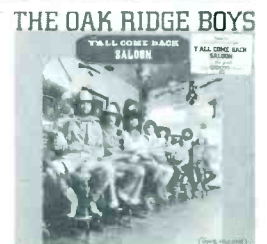
■ NASHVILLE—Fred Kelly, president of Gazelle Records, has announced the signing of Jeris Ross to an exclusive recording contract.

COUNTRY PICKS OF THE WEEK

SINGLE **DOLLY PARTON**, "HERE YOU COME AGAIN" (B. Mann/C. Weil; Screen Gems-EMI/Summerhill Songs, BMI). Dolly may have the perfect record here to enhance her recent pop thrust without alienating country listeners. Distinctive vocals, sensitive lyrics and tasteful production should bring it home across-the-board. RCA 11123.

SLEEPER **STEWART HARRIS**, "IS IT WORTH IT ANY MORE" (S. Harris / J. C. Knowles; Vector, BMI). Harris gives solid evidence that he is one of the most promising singer/songwriters to emerge in quite some time. Although this sensitive ballad is MOR-flavored, it shows strong potential to capture country listeners as well. Give it a spin. Mercury 55008.

ALBUM **THE OAK RIDGE BOYS**, "Y'ALL COME BACK SALOON." The group's departure from strict gospel leanings has proved to be a fortuitous one. With the title cut having already gained them tremendous country acceptance, this impressive collection should also be well received. The boys are here to stay. ABC/Dot 2093.



COUNTRY HOTLINE

By MARIE RATLIFF

■ "Middle Age Crazy" aptly describes a large segment of the population, and Jerry Lee Lewis' treatment of the subject is especially appealing! A departure from the familiar "Killer" style, you'll love this one. It's the type of record to attract new listeners — don't miss it!!

Waylon Jennings continues super hot! His double sided hit, "Wurlitzer Prize/Lookin' 'For A Feeling," charted at an unprecedented #45 on Record World's Top 100 Country Singles Chart. This breaks the previous high entry number of 48, also set by Waylon Jennings with "Luckenbach, Texas" a few months ago.



Jerry Lee Lewis

Bob Luman is set to explode with the Glenn Martin-penned "The Pay Phone." Though just now in music directors' hands, this tale of double infidelity is already added at WAME, WSDS, WSM, WPLO, KXLR, WTSO, WIRE, WTSO, WTD, KFDI.

Dottie West has her strongest in a long while! "That's All I Wanted To Know" has all you want to hear from a ballad, and it's now climbing at WIRE, KJJJ, WPIK, KXLR, KNIX, KSON, WSDS, WITL, KFDI, WIVK, WSM.

Merle Haggard's tribute "From Graceland To The Promised Land" is exploding into a national smash — strong numbers and heavy requests in most markets! Tammy Wynette has a runaway countrywide hit in "One of a Kind!"



Bob Luman

Mary Miller is showing good initial action on "You Just Don't Know" at KRMD, KYNN, WSLC, WBAM, KENR, WSDS, KFDI, KD JW.

Don King has a winner in "I Must Be Dreaming," added this week at WVOJ (#39), WCMS, WIRE, WBAM, WTD, WITL, KKYX, KD JW, KYNN, KFDI, WSDS, WHOO, KXLR, KVOO, WPNX. Rita Coolidge's "We're All Alone" doing well in Wheeling, Mobile, Atlanta, Dallas and Charlotte.

Roy Head making strides toward national chart action with "Come To Me," playing at KIKK (#40), KENR (#39), WPNX, KKYX, WBAM, KAYO, WSLC, KFDI.

"Lucille's Answer," the female reply to the Kenny Rogers hit, is beginning to show for Julie Jones at WTD, WEET (#27), WINN (#26), WMAD.

LP Interest: Dave & Sugar's cut, "It's A Beautiful Morning With You," featured at WIRE. Charlie Rich's "Somebody Wrote That Song" playing at WVOJ.

SURE SHOTS

- Dolly Parton — "Here You Come Again"
- Ray Griff — "Raymond's Place"
- Marty Robbins — "Don't Let Me Touch You"

LEFT FIELDERS

- Stewart Harris — "Is It Worth It Anymore"
- Little Jimmy Dickens — "She's Just A Good Time (Going Somewhere to Happen)"
- Debby Boone — "You Light Up My Life"
- Jeris Ross — "I Think I'll Say Goodbye"

AREA ACTION

- Bill Nash — "I Can't Help It" (KENR)
- Jericho Harp — "Oh Sarah" (WINN)

Gatlin at the Exit/In



Monument recording artist Larry Gatlin played to an enthusiastic audience at Nashville's Exit/In recently. Joining him backstage were (from left): Frank Leffel, national country promotion, Phonogram/Mercury; Doug Dickens, manager of operations, WSIX-AM&FM; Larry Gatlin; Fred Foster, president, Monument Records; Don Coleman, WSIX air personality; Ted Davis, national country promotion, Monument Records.

NARAS WORST Show: A Rare Treat

■ NASHVILLE—What was billed as the Nashville chapter of NARAS' First Annual WORST show turned out to be one of the best events ever staged here. The World's Oldest Rock Stars together in concert at Posum Holler provided a rare and all together unprecedented opportunity to enjoy a glimpse at Nashville's rock 'n' roll heritage served up by the like of Jimmy Gilmer and the Fireballs, Jimmy Bowen, Bob Beckham, Bill Justis, The Crickets, The Champs (Dave Burgess), Gene Kennedy, Carl Mann, Charlie McCoy and The Over The Hill Gang, Buzz Cason, (alias Gary Miles), The Newbeats, Johnny Wilson, The Wright Sisters, Gene Hughes and Carl Perkins.

Songs

If those names fail to ring a bell due to age, youth or a failing memory, how about "Blue Suede Shoes," "Sugar Shack," "Just As Much As Ever," "Look For A Star," "Tequila," "I'm Sticking With You," "Bread And Butter," "Raunchy" and "Peggy Sue." All that and more, amidst excessive drinking, dancing and general mayhem. Never before was the phrase "you had to be there" been so applicable. Suffice it to say that the commercially proven voices of the aged performers did come through.

Nostalgia never had a chance. It was a here-and-now event if

ever there was one, with all acts obviously holding up to their prior agreement of no rehearsals. Memories did manage to sift through, with one participant noting, "I think I saw this movie 20 years ago, only it's gotten better."

"I never thought I'd ever have a chance to dance to Carl Perkins doing 'That's All Right Mama,'" said another. "It was the thrill of my life."

All-in-all it was a rare treat. Nashville's NARAS chapter and Bill Justis, who is credited with the idea, are to be wholeheartedly thanked and congratulated. The chapter's showcases continue to be a warm gathering place for the Nashville music community.

Luke Lewis

First Generation Sets Initial Single Release

■ NASHVILLE — First Generation Records has announced the first release on the Nashville-based label will be a single by Ernest Tubb, shipping this week. The single will be "Sometimes I Do" written by Jeannie Seely, with "Half My Hearts In Texas," written by Linda Hargrove.

This is the first record release for Tubb in two years. An album on First Generation is set for release in the near future.

Johnny Bush Signs With Gusto/Starday

■ NASHVILLE — Gusto/Starday Records president Moe Lytle has announced the signing of recording artist Johnny Bush to an exclusive contract with Gusto/Starday Records and a new single, "You'll Never Leave Me Completely," has been set for immediate release.

WATCH FOR
KELLY WARREN'S
HOTTEST RELEASE
"Ain't That Something"
BY
"Living For You Dying For Him"
ON
LITTLE RICHIE RECORDS
National Promo:
Little Richie Johnson Agency
Box 3, Belen, New Mexico 87002
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Belen, New Mexico
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OMA DEE PHILLIP
BOX 615
Lamesa, Tex. 79331

COUNTRY SINGLE PICKS

COUNTRY SONG OF THE WEEK

DAVID ALLAN COE—Columbia 3 10621

FACE TO FACE (D.A. Coe; Window, BMI)

Coe put his all into this self-penned cut and the results warrant a top spot on the charts. A killer song and a great performance bring it home.

DICKEY LEE—RCA 11125

PEANUT BUTTER (R. Bailey; Razan, BMI)

Though the title may suggest a novelty song, it's actually a loping, mid-tempo cut with a clever lyric which should catch on and go all the way.

THE CHARLIE DANIELS BAND—Epic 8 50456

HEAVEN CAN BE ANYWHERE (TWIN PINES THEME) (C. Daniels; Hat Band, BMI)

A dramatic change of pace for the CDB with this long-awaited release from their upcoming "Midnight Wind" lp. The appealing ballad is spiced with incredible piano accompaniment.

DON GIBSON—ABC/Hickory 54019

WHEN DO WE STOP STARTING OVER (M. Newbury; Acuff-Rose, BMI)

A moving rendition of another fine Mickey Newbury song should send Gibson on another trip up the charts.

JOE STAMPLEY—Epic 8 50453

EVERY DAY I HAVE TO CRY SOME (A. Alexander; Combine, BMI)

Stampley comes with a proven hit song this time out, which sounds poised to do it again. The hook has lost none of its appeal.

BOB LUMAN—Polydor 14431

THE PAY PHONE (G. Martin; Tree, BMI)

Luman should get good phones from this cheatin' song, which sounds like an episode from a soap opera. Watch for it.

RAY GRIFF—Capitol 4492

RAYMOND'S PLACE (R. Griff; Blue Echo, ASCAP)

Griff picks up the tempo with this rockabilly honky-tonker which should serve to pep up the playlists.

JOHNNY CASH—Columbia 3-10623

AFTER THE BALL (J.R. Cash; House of Cash, BMI)

Cash's distinctive style comes through loud and clear on this self-penned, mid-tempo cut. His delivery should launch it.

JERIS ROSS—Gazelle 431

I THINK I'LL SAY GOODBYE (J. Rushing/M. Chapman; Vogue, BMI)

The chorus provides a solid hook on this easy-paced tune, which has all the makings of a hit.

BEN REECE—Polydor 14430

THE HAND THAT ROCKS THE CRADLE (T. Harris; Contention, SESAC)

Reece comes through with a great vocal performance on this tribute to motherhood. The moving ballad should go far.

BAKER KNIGHT—Warner Bros. 8469

PHYSICAL THING (B. Knight; Al Gallico, BMI)

A novelty record which pokes fun at woman's lib, in a style reminiscent of Ray Stevens, sounds like a winner for Knight.

SUSAN ST. MARIE—Pinnacle 101

IT'S THE LOVE IN YOU (B. Springfield/V. Stephenson; House of Gold, BMI)

Susan's debut, on this new label, should get them both off the ground in fine fashion. The positive, melodic cut shows strong potential.

LINDA ANN TURNER—Filly Colt 7000

YOU CAN STAY, YOU CAN GO (B. Russell; Pix-Russ, ASCAP)

A potent lyric and a convincing vocal performance give this one an edge and should establish Turner as a gifted songstress.

SESAC Sets Plans For Awards Show

■ NASHVILLE — SESAC will present its 13th annual Country Music Awards presentation on October 13 at the Woodmont Country Club in Franklin, Tennessee.

SESAC will transform the club into an imitation "Speakeasy" for a gala "Roaring '20s" party, featuring Your Father's Mustache band from New York City, and, from the cast of "Hee Haw," Ronnie Stoneman.

Scheduled from 9:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m., the SESAC "Roaring '20s" party will star the 1977 award winners. Dress for the "invitation only" affair is optional but guests are invited to come in the costumes of the '20s.

Again this year, SESAC will limit its announced awards presentation during the evening to only ten major categories. The bulk of the individual writer, publisher and artist awards will be listed on the evening's printed program, with certificates of achievement mailed to the winners following the evening's festivities. Awards to be presented include: Ambassador of Country Music; A&R Producer of the Year; Best Country Single; Best Country Album; Country Music Writer of the Year; Most Promising Country Music Writer of the Year; Most Recorded SESAC Country Song of 1977; Best Country Song of the Year;

the 2nd annual SESAC Hall of Fame Award; and an International Award presented for the SESAC song most recorded overseas during the year. These will be the only award presentations made during the evening.

Hosting the affair for SESAC will be its president, A. H. Prager. SESAC executives in attendance will be A. F. Ciancimino, vice president and counsel; Brad McCuen, director of country music; Charles Scully, director of information services; Vincent Candilora, director of writer services; Eddie Morgan, coordinator of copyright services; Jim Black, director of gospel music; and Debbie Dunn, administrative assistant, Nashville office.

WB Signs Hunley



Con Hunley, Knoxville-based entertainer, is pictured signing a five year recording contract with Warner Bros. Records. Hunley will be produced by Norro Wilson (left), WB's a&r director for the country division.

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Marrienne is responsible for making him a millionaire. "Before I met her," he laughs, "I was a billionaire."

Susan Raye (no longer a member of **Buck Owens'** show), and her husband **Jerry Wiggins**, drummer with Owens' **Buckaroos** band, expect a visit from Sir Stork in March. It'll be their sixth child.

Memos Con Brio Records' **Biff** (Abraham Biff) **Collie**: "If singer Sunday Sharpe was married to songwriter Jim Mundy, she'd be called 'Sunday Mundy.'"

Roy Clark is going to be in his hometown of Meherrin, Va. (birthplace that is), next weekend, to tape "Going Home," a 30-minute pilot film for a proposed TV series. The program, featuring Clark, his close family and friends, is to be hosted by **Ed McMahon**. Format of the series is to spotlight a different personality, celebrity or well known person each week. A biographical sketch on film?

Johnny Cash is going to spend quite a bit of time before the CBS cameras in the next two months. After hosting the CMA awards special, he and wife **June Carter** will film their annual Christmas show with **Roy Clark** (see above), **Jerry Lee Lewis**, **Roy Orbison**, the **Statler Brothers** and **Carl Perkins** as guests (the Cashes will be in Israel for week, starting Oct 22 for shooting of some background scenes that'll be included in the special). Then, Nov. 20 Johnny and June head to Johnson City, Tex. where they'll film a made-for-TV two hour movie, "Thaddeus Rose and Eddy."

Cash portrays Thaddeus and **Dennis Weaver** tentatively is set for the "Eddy" part. (June plays Johnny's girlfriend, Crystal.)

The Christmas special is to be aired Nov. 30; the movie early next spring.

Mel Tillis and his **Statesiders** booked for the Nuggett in Sparks, Nev., Oct. 13-22.

Birthdays: **LeRoy Van Dyke**, **Audie Ashworth**, **Margie Singleton**, **Linda Flanagan**, **Gordon Terry**, **Susan Raye**.

Alain Bongo, son of **Albert Bongo**, president of Gabon, West Africa, was at the local sound shop while the Nashville-based Motown group Bottom & Co. recorded the music tracks for an album he plans to cut for United Artists. Don't go jumping to conclusions: Alain is a singer—not a drummer!



THE COUNTRY ALBUM CHART

OCTOBER 8, 1977

OCT. 8	OCT. 1		WKS. ON CHART
1	1	MOODY BLUE ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA AFL1 2428	13
2	2	ELVIS' GOLD RECORDS—VOL. 4 ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA LSP 3921	2
3	3	ELVIS' GOLD RECORDS—VOL. 2 ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA LSP 2075	2
4	7	WE MUST BELIEVE IN MAGIC CRYSTAL GAYLE/United Artists LA771 G	12
5	4	OL' WAYLON WAYLON JENNINGS/RCA APL1 2317	21
6	5	DAYTIME FRIENDS KENNY ROGERS/United Artists LA754 G	12
7	6	SIMPLE DREAMS LINDA RONSTADT/Asylum 6E 104	4
8	8	ELVIS' GOLDEN RECORDS ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA LSP 1707	2
9	11	TO LEFTY FROM WILLIE WILLIE NELSON/Columbia KC 34695	15
10	9	IT WAS ALMOST LIKE A SONG RONNIE MILSAP/RCA APL1 2439	5
11	10	PURE GOLD ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA ANL1 0971	4
12	12	ANYTIME ANYWHERE RITA COOLIDGE/A&M SP 4616	9
13	13	ALOHA FROM HAWAII VIA SATELLITE ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA LSP 3758	5
14	24	LOVE IS JUST A GAME LARRY GATLIN/Monument MG 7616	5
15	17	CHANGES IN LATITUDES, CHANGES IN ATTITUDES JIMMY BUFFETT/ABC AB 990	33
16	15	TATTOO DAVID ALLEN COE/Columbia PC 34870	5
17	14	I'VE ALREADY LOVED YOU IN MY MIND CONWAY TWITTY/MCA 2293	8
18	22	EASTBOUND AND DOWN JERRY REED/RCA APL1 2516	5
19	20	TILL THE END VERN GOSDIN/Elektra 7E 1112	11
20	27	NEW HARVEST . . . FIRST GATHERING DOLLY PARTON/RCA APL1 2188	32
21	16	SMOKEY AND THE BANDIT (ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK)/ MCA 2099	11
22	19	RABBIT EDDIE RABBIT/Elektra 7E 1105	18
23	25	MAKING A GOOD THING BETTER OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN/MCA 2280	13
24	21	SHORT STORIES STATLER BROTHERS/Mercury SRM 1 5001	9
25	26	WELCOME TO MY WORLD ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA APL1 2274	25
26	23	COWBOYS AIN'T SUPPOSED TO CRY MOE BANDY/Columbia PC 34874	3
27	28	LUXURY LINER EMMYLOU HARRIS/Warner Brothers BS 2998	37
28	59	I WANTA SING GEORGE JONES/Epic 34717	5
29	37	THE OUTLAWS WILLIE, WAYLON, TOMPALL & JESSI/RCA APL1 1312	88
30	—	ROLLIN' WITH THE FLOW CHARLIE RICH/Epic PE 34891	1
31	33	ELVIS, A LEGENDARY PERFORMER, VOL. I ELVIS PRESLEY/ RCA CPL1 0341	5
32	55	THAT'S THE WAY LOVE SHOULD BE DAVE & SUGAR/RCA APL1 2477	5
33	34	STRIKE ANYWHERE EARL SCRUGGS REVUE/Columbia PC 34878	5

34	41	I REMEMBER PATSY LORETTA LYNN/MCA 2265	25
35	—	THORN ON THE ROSE EVEN STEVENS/Elektra 7E 1113	1
36	42	LINDA RONSTADT'S GREATEST HITS/Asylum 7E 1092	42
37	—	HANK WILLIAMS GREATEST HITS, VOL. I/MGM SE 4755	53
38	18	YOU ARE SO BEAUTIFUL TANYA TUCKER/Columbia PC 34733	4
39	39	LIVE! TAKIN' THE STAGE PURE PRAIRIE LEAGUE/RCA CPL2 2404	2
40	40	A MAN MUST CARRY ON JERRY JEFF WALKER/MCA 2 6003	20
41	29	CAROLINA DREAMS MARSHALL TUCKER BAND/Capricorn CP 0180	28
42	35	RAMBLIN' FEVER MERLE HAGGARD/MCA 2267	19
43	43	BEFORE HIS TIME WILLIE NELSON/RCA APL1 2210	22
44	36	KENNY ROGERS/United Artists LA689 G	48
45	31	BEST OF BARBARA MANDRELL/Columbia PC 34876	3
46	—	STRAIGHT BRUSH ARBOR/Monument MG 7613	1
47	64	HANK WILLIAMS GREATEST HITS, VOL. II/MGM MG2 5401	3
48	38	ELVIS, A LEGENDARY PERFORMER, VOL. II ELVIS PRESLEY/ RCA CPL1 1349	5
49	49	SONGS I'LL ALWAYS SING MERLE HAGGARD/Capitol SABB 11531	23
50	32	BEST OF FREDDY FENDER/ABC Dot DO 2079	21
51	52	A WORKING MAN CAN'T GET NOWHERE TODAY MERLE HAGGARD/ Capitol ST 11693	2
52	45	BEST OF STATLER BROTHERS/Mercury SRM 1 1037	85
53	53	TODAY ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA APL1 1039	3
54	65	HEAVEN'S JUST A SIN AWAY THE KENDALLS/Ovation OV 1719	5
55	—	24 GREATEST HITS MEL TILLIS/MGM MG2 5402	1
56	56	SLIDE OFF YOUR SATIN SHEETS JOHNNY PAYCHECK/Epic KE 34693	18
57	51	VASSAR CLEMENTS BAND/MCA 2270	13
58	54	BEST OF DOLLY PARTON/RCA APL1 1117	71
59	57	CRYSTAL CRYSTAL GAYLE/United Artists LA614 G	57
60	46	SNOWBLIND FRIEND HOYT AXTON/MCA 2263	23
61	48	DYNAMIC DUO CONWAY TWITTY & LORETTA LYNN/MCA 2278	15
62	63	BILLY CRASH CRADDOCK LIVE/ABC Dot DO 2082	12
63	60	SOUTHERN NIGHTS GLEN CAMPBELL/Capitol ST 11601	30
64	62	SOMEBODY LOVES YOU CRYSTAL GAYLE/United Artists LA543 G	68
65	71	HOW GREAT THOU ART ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA LSP 3758	5
66	50	REDHEADED STRANGER WILLIE NELSON/Columbia KC 33482	104
67	67	ELVIS SINGS "THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF CHRISTMAS" ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA ANL1 1936	4
68	47	SONGS OF KRISTOFFERSON KRIS KRISTOFFERSON/Columbia PZ 34687	22
69	69	RONNIE MILSAP LIVE/RCA APL1 2043	43
70	70	WORLDWIDE 50 GOLD AWARD HITS, VOL. 1-4 ELVIS PRESLEY/ RCA LPM 6401	5
71	66	FROM ELVIS PRESLEY BOULEVARD, MEMPHIS, TENN./ELVIS PRESLEY/ RCA APL1 1506	5
72	73	COUNTRY SWEET STELLA PARTON/Elektra 7E 1111	9
73	68	BLUEST HEARTACHE KENNY DALE/Capitol ST 11673	5
74	72	HIS HAND IN MINE ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA ANL1 1319	5
75	58	SHE'S JUST AN OLD LOVE TURNED MEMORY CHARLEY PRIDE/ RCA APL1 2261	26

Tanya Tucker "Dancing The Night Away"

The prime cut, the hit single from "Ridin' Rainbows."

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MCA RECORDS



THE COUNTRY SINGLES CHART

TITLE, ARTIST, Label, Number	OCT. 8	OCT. 1	WKS. ON CHART
1 4 HEAVEN'S JUST A SIN AWAY KENDALLS Ovation OV 1103			10
2 2 DAYTIME FRIENDS KENNY ROGERS/United Artists XW1027			11
3 5 Y'ALL COME BACK SALOON OAK RIDGE BOYS/ABC Dot DO 17710			13
4 1 I'VE ALREADY LOVED YOU IN MY MIND CONWAY TWITTY/MCA 40754			12
5 6 EAST BOUND AND DOWN JERRY REED/RCA PB 11056			9
6 7 I GOT THE HOSS MEL TILLIS/MCA 40764			9
7 12 I'M JUST A COUNTRY BOY DON WILLIAMS/ABC Dot DO 17717			7
8 11 WE CAN'T GO ON LIVING LIKE THIS EDDIE RABBITT/Elektra 45418			8
9 8 WHY CAN'T HE BE YOU LORETTA LYNN/MCA 40747			10
10 10 IT'S ALL IN THE GAME TOM T. HALL/Mercury 55001			10
11 3 DON'T IT MAKE MY BROWN EYES BLUE CRYSTAL GAYLE/United Artists XW1016			14
12 21 THE KING IS GONE RONNIE McDOWELL/Scorpion GRT 0543			4
13 17 SILVER MEDALS AND SWEET MEMORIES STATLER BROTHERS/Mercury 55000			9
14 14 SHAME, SHAME ON ME KENNY DALE/Capitol 4457			11
15 15 THE DANGER OF A STRANGER STELLA PARTON/Elektra 45410			11
16 18 ONCE IN A LIFETIME THING JOHN WESLEY RYLES/ABC Dot 17698			9
17 19 IF IT AIN'T LOVE BY NOW JIM ED BROWN & HELEN CORNELIUS/RCA PB 11044			8
18 24 THE OLD MAN AND HIS HORN GENE WATSON/Capitol 4458			9
19 23 TOO MUCH IS NOT ENOUGH BILLIE JO SPEARS/United Artists XW1041			8
20 25 HOLD ME BARBARA MANDRELL/ABC Dot DO 17716			6
21 26 A WORKING MAN CAN'T GET NOWHERE TODAY MERLE HAGGARD/Capitol 4477			6
22 27 LOVE IS JUST A GAME LARRY GATLIN/Monument 226			5
23 28 LET ME DOWN EASY CRISTY LANE/LS GRT 131			7
24 20 DANCING THE NIGHT AWAY TANYA TUCKER/MCA 40755			9
25 32 ERES TU JOHNNY RODRIGUEZ/Mercury 55004			6
26 34 MORE TO ME CHARLEY PRIDE/RCA PB 11086			4
27 42 ROSES FOR MAMA C. W. McCALL/Polydor PD 14420			4
28 41 BLUE BAYOU LINDA RONSTADT/Asylum 45431			4
29 30 LITTLE OLE DIME JIM REEVES/RCA PB 11060			7
30 35 WHAT A WAY TO GO BOBBY BORCHERS/Playboy ZS8 5816			6
31 33 TO LOVE SOMEBODY NARVEL FELTS/ABC Dot DO 17715			8
32 37 SHAME ON ME DONNA FARGO/Warner Bros. WBS 8431			5
33 9 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GEORGE JONES & TAMMY WYNETTE/Epic 8 50418			13
34 39 YOU OUGHT TO HEAR ME CRY WILLIE NELSON/RCA PB 11061			5
35 38 HE AIN'T YOU LYNN ANDERSON/Columbia 3 10597			6
36 44 FOOLS FALL IN LOVE JACKY WARD/Mercury 55003			5
37 46 WHAT'RE YOU DOING TONIGHT JANIE FRICKE/Columbia 3 10605			4
38 13 I LOVE YOU A THOUSAND WAYS WILLIE NELSON/Columbia/Lone Star 3 10588			11
39 16 IF YOU DON'T LOVE ME (WHY DON'T YOU LEAVE ME ALONE) FREDDY FENDER/ABC Dot DO 11713			11
40 40 WE CAN'T BUILD A FIRE IN THE RAIN ROY CLARK/ABC Dot DO 17712			9
41 29 PUT 'EM ALL TOGETHER AND I'D HAVE YOU GEORGE JONES/Epic 8 50423			9
42 51 THIS TIME I'M IN IT FOR THE LOVE TOMMY OVERSTREET/ABC Dot DO 17721			4
43 22 DON'T SAY GOODBYE REX ALLEN, JR./Warner Bros. WBS 8418			10
44 31 WAY DOWN/PLEDGING MY LOVE ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA PB 10998			16



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45 — THE WURLITZER PRIZE/LOOKING FOR A FEELING WAYLON JENNINGS RCA PB 11118

46 36 THAT'S THE WAY LOVE SHOULD BE DAVE & SUGAR/RCA PB 11034	13
47 54 DAYS THAT END IN "Y" SAMMI SMITH/Elektra 45429	4
48 60 STILL THE ONE BILL ANDERSON/MCA 40794	2
49 63 CLOSE ENOUGH FOR LONESOME MEL STREET/Polydor PD 14421	3
50 55 DO YOU HEAR MY HEART BEAT DAVID ROGERS/Republic 006	6
51 67 CHANGES IN LATITUDES, CHANGES IN ATTITUDES JIMMY BUFFETT/ABC AB 12305	2
52 61 ENDLESSLY EDDIE MIDDLETON/Epic/Cleveland Intl. 8 50431	5
53 56 WHEN I DIE, JUST LET ME GO TO TEXAS ED BRUCE/Epic 8 50424	8
54 62 SOUL OF A HONKY TONK WOMAN MEL McDANIEL/Capitol 4481	4
55 52 HOLD ON TIGHT SUNDAY SHARPE/Playboy ZS8 5813	7
56 — ONE OF A KIND TAMMY WYNETTE/Epic 8 50450	1
57 43 BABY, DON'T KEEP ME HANGIN' ON SUSIE ALLANSON/Warner/Curb WBS 8429	13
58 53 SO CLOSE AGAIN MARGO & NORRO/Warner Bros. WBS 8427	8
59 57 IT DIDN'T HAVE TO BE DIAMOND SUSAN RAYE/United Artists XW1026	10
60 47 RAMBLIN' FEVER MERLE HAGGARD/MCA 40743	15
61 45 SUNFLOWER GLEN CAMPBELL/Capitol 4445	14
62 68 NOBODY CARES BUT YOU FREDDY WELLER/Columbia 3 10598	5
63 78 BORN TO LOVE ME RAY PRICE/ABC Dot DO 17718	2
64 48 TILL THE END VERN GOSDIN/Elektra 45411	16
65 — FROM GRACELAND TO THE PROMISED LAND MERLE HAGGARD/MCA 40804	1
66 76 HELEN CAL SMITH/MCA 40789	3
67 77 THAT OLD COLD SHOULDER TOM BRESH/ABC Dot DO 17720	3
68 49 AMBUSH RONNIE SESSIONS/MCA 40758	10
69 58 I'M A HONKY TONK WOMAN'S MAN BOB LUMAN/Polydor PD 14408	10
70 59 LADY JOHNNY CASH/Columbia 3 10587	10
71 50 THE PLEASURE'S BEEN ALL MINE FREDDIE HART/Capitol 4448	13
72 75 BABY ME BABY ROGER MILLER/Windsong 11072	5
73 — SHE JUST LOVED THE CHEATIN' OUT OF ME MOE BANDY/Columbia 3 10619	1
74 80 FOR ALL THE RIGHT REASONS BARBARA FAIRCHILD/Columbia 3 10607	2
75 82 LEAVIN' KENNY PRICE/MRC 1004	3
76 — I'LL ALWAYS LOVE YOU CATES SISTERS/Caprice CA 2036	1
77 — I MUST BE DREAMING DON KING/Con Brio 126	1
78 — LEAN ON JESUS PAUL CRAFT/RCA PB 11078	1
79 91 YOU'VE GOT TO MEND THIS HEARTACHE RUBY FALLS/50 States FS 56	3
80 93 TOUCH ME HOWDY GLEN/Warner Bros. WBS 8447	3
81 87 MY GIRL DALE McBRIDE/Con Brio 124	2
82 86 MEXICAN LOVE SONGS LINDA HARGROVE/Capitol 4447	3
83 88 MAKE THE WORLD GO AWAY CHARLY McCLAIN/Epic 8 50436	2
84 84 ANOTHER LONELY NIGHT JODY MILLER/Epic 8 50432	4
85 85 I'M STILL MOVIN' ON HANK SNOW/RCA PB 11080	3
86 89 IF YOU REALLY WANT ME TO, I'LL GO SILVER CITY BAND/Columbia 3 10601	2
87 81 OLD TIME LOVIN' KENNY STARR/MCA 40769	7
88 92 BETTER OFF ALONE JAN HOWARD/Con Brio 125	2
89 — THE SUN IN DIXIE KATHY BARNES/Republic 005	1
90 — WALK AWAY WITH ME RANDY BARLOW/Gazelle IRDA 427	1
91 — THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO KNOW DOTTIE WEST/United Artists XW1084	1
92 — SHE KEEPS HANGIN' ON RAYBURN ANTHONY/Polydor 14423	1
93 96 RAINBOWS AND HORSESHOES R. C. BANNON/Columbia 3 10612	2
94 83 SAIL AWAY SAM NEELY/Elektra 45419	3
95 — THE LADY AIN'T FOR SALE SHERRY BRYCE/Pilot PR 45100	1
96 — BLUEBERRY HILL ANN J. MORTON/Prairie Dust PD 7619	1
97 90 WHY YOU BEEN GONE SO LONG DAVID FRIZZELL/MCA 40786	3
98 74 DON'T TAKE MY SUNSHINE AWAY AVA BARBER/Ranwood 1080	8
99 79 IT WAS ALMOST LIKE A SONG RONNIE MILSAP/RCA PB 10976	20
100 64 ROLLIN' WITH THE FLOW CHARLIE RICH/Epic 8 50392	19



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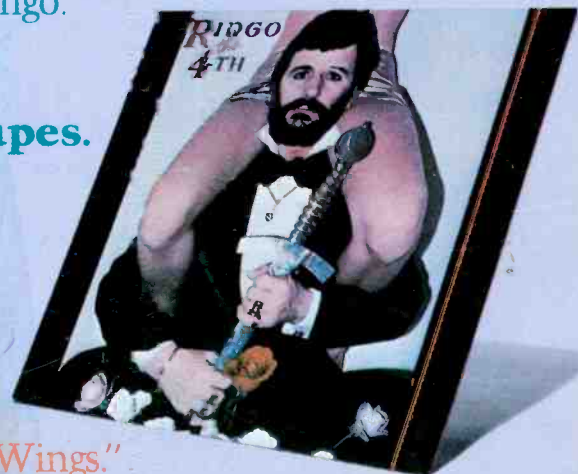
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1977: An Extraordinary Sales Year

By DAVID MCGEE

■ NEW YORK—Christmas comes but once a year goes the old saw, and that's about the extent of the bad news retailers have had in recent months. 1977 has been an extraordinary year in many respects, but particularly so in terms of retail sales activity.

WEA's move to \$7.98 list pricing in December of 1976 was but the first slight indication that some surprises were in store for the industry come January. Would consumers stand for the dollar increase? What criteria would be used to determine whether an album warranted the higher list price? How soon would it be before catalogue prices were increased across the board? These were the questions asked by retailers at the outset of 1977. The answers would go far toward shaping the future of the industry.

As the year wore on it became clear that consumers would pay more for the music they liked; they showed little if any concern over who was or wasn't a superstar. While manufacturers argued semantics, record buyers were making value judgements based on the quality of the music, thus lending credence once more to another adage: "It has to be in the grooves."

Integrity, Not Price

Indeed it does. \$7.98 has virtually become the industry standard on new releases and on many in-demand catalogue items as well. Perhaps if the industry has learned a lesson this year it is that the integrity of the product,

rather than its price, ought to be the major issue.

For years retailers have been beseeched to concentrate on merchandising records in a distinctive, striking manner instead of worrying about what the guy down the street is charging for the latest hot album. This slow, difficult battle has been made all the more trying by the deep discounters, or lowballers, so prevalent nowadays. But the message has not been lost on store owners: displays are not there just to look good, but to sell records.

New Awakening

From a merchandising standpoint, the 1977 holiday season promises a new awakening to the importance of visual presentation of records. Consumer spending, (especially the dollars spent on leisure goods) has astounded even the most optimistic of economists, proving that the dollars are out there for the enterprising entrepreneur. Moreover, the point has been made that consumers don't price shop all over town for cheap records. If a store is visually attractive customers are drawn to it. Store owners who have realized this, and who merchandise accordingly, are the ones who will reap the benefits during the fourth quarter.

Perhaps the most important advice to retailers was given by Dr. David Rachman of Baruch College at the NARM regional meeting in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. Addressing himself to the problem of price wars, Rachman ad-

vised those present to stand firm in the face of lowballing competition. "Look at your merchandise," he said, "and remember that the customer not a neighboring store, determines the amount of the markup. Think in terms of what you paid and what you want to make. If you don't want to run a store that sells records at just above cost, then don't have that kind of store. Decide what you want your store to be and stick to that decision!"

From a product standpoint the fourth quarter will offer the usual abundance of major new releases and greatest hits packages, assured best sellers all. Other encouraging trends noticeable throughout the year which bode well for the final quarter were consumers' renewed interest in movie soundtracks and the resurgence of black product.

The success of soundtracks from "Rocky," "Star Wars," "Car Wash," "The Spy Who Loved Me," "King Kong" and "The Greatest," to name but a few, was remarkable in several respects, not the least being the longevity of these products: a few of the above albums were released in late spring or early summer and remain on the Album Chart as of this writing.

For nearly a year retailers have been complaining about the lack of strong black product. This too seems to have changed of late, as new releases by the Blackbyrds and Diana Ross, combined with

sales pickups of older product by the Commodores and Mandre, have brightened the fourth quarter picture for those stores located in predominately black areas of the country.

Although unemployment rose again last month, economists nevertheless are predicting that the year-long retailing boom will continue unabated during the fourth quarter. Most importantly, the consumer—termed by Business Week "the real backbone of economic recovery"—is still spending in huge amounts, if not quite so huge as at the same time one year ago when retail sales rose at an annual rate of almost 30 percent from September through December. Income gains too have slowed since that time: personal income is now growing at a "modest" rate of about \$30 billion a quarter, as opposed to \$41 billion a quarter near the end of 1976. And indications are that consumers are depositing more money in savings, even as they return to the stores. Credit statistics, though, are positive, meaning that consumers seem more willing than ever to buy goods on credit, thus balancing out the spending picture.

All things considered then, it appears the music industry is headed for a brisk and different sort of holiday selling season in which the product rather than the price is given top priority in stores once and for good. And that is the beginning of a new era.

CBS Gears Up for 'Super Holidays'

By PAT BAIRD

■ NEW YORK—"We expect the fall merchandising period to be tremendous. We think it will be bigger than anything we've experienced this year and so far this year defies description."

Ambitious Season

Paul Smith, vice president, marketing, branch distribution of CBS Records, feels that the upcoming "Winning Season" campaign is one of the most ambitious the company has ever undertaken.

"Our plans are much more ambitious than they were over the last two years," Smith said. "Last year was the second year we went back to a substantial amount of print advertising, a heavy commitment. Prior to that the accounts had determined that the only way to sell records was through radio advertising. Through our research and testing we determined that a media mix was

where it was at, especially when you're running television advertising, to run print with it."

While CBS Records has been running full-page ads in the consumer press "nearly every week for the last quarter," the fall plans now include similar advertising in suburban, college and high school newspapers.

Newspaper Ads

"We've been experimenting for a long time with underground papers and college papers but now we're going into the use of suburban papers," Smith said. "It's been a problem in the past to even locate these papers or to find a sensible way to buy them. We've been able to do that now with a buying service which will allow us to buy them in groups or clusters or cities. The younger record buyer, who won't necessarily read the daily newspapers,

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Warner Bros.

Campaign Coincides with WEA Program

■ LOS ANGELES—Warner Bros. Records is gearing up to mount a major marketing and merchandising campaign behind current and catalogue product this fall in conjunction with WEA's annual holiday program. According to Ed Rosenblatt, vice president and director of sales and promotion, the company is anticipating a tremendous sales surge in return for its efforts. "Based on our current hit product and projected new releases, there is no question that the fourth quarter of 1977 will be one of the biggest sales periods in our history," he commented.

Pop, R&B and Comedy

Rosenblatt emphasized Warner's involvement not only with hot pop product but with major entries in the r&b, country, and comedy fields. Current catalogue product which the company expects to heavily merchandise during the holiday sales season includes albums by Fleetwood Mac,

Shaun Cassidy, Al Jarreau, Neil Young, George Benson, Sanford & Townsend, Leo Sayer, Doobie Brothers, Bonnie Raitt, Seals & Crofts, Emmylou Harris, Gordon Lightfoot, Rod Stewart, Alice Cooper, and Foghat, Utopia, and Jesse Winchester on Bearsville Records. In addition, Warners will be marketing Sire catalog product for the first time with albums by Renaissance, Climax Blues Band, The Ramones, vintage Fleetwood Mac, and Focus just added to the Warner catalogue.

Among the artists who will be releasing new albums this fall are Rod Stewart, Debby Boone, Randy Newman, Leo Sayer, Sanford & Townsend, Dionne Warwick, Black Sabbath, Little Feat, Bootsy's Rubber Band, Shaun Cassidy, Ray Stevens, Arlo Guthrie, Alice Cooper, Gary Wright, George Benson, America, and Neil Young. Warner affiliates are

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On September 18, 28 National Football League teams set out in search of the winning season that will ultimately carry one of them to victory in the Super Bowl. All across America, footballs fill the air, with competition and interest at every level. If baseball is our national pastime, then football must be our national obsession.

On September 12, however, another "Winning Season" began here at CBS Records and in record stores all over the country. Our summer "Sale-A-Thon" sales campaign was the most successful ever—but compared to "The Winning Season," it was only a "pre-game warm-up."



Our "Winning Season" is carefully coordinated, using massive amounts of print, radio and TV advertising, innovative merchandising aids and proven product to make this fall buying season the biggest ever.

Our "Winning Season" is divided into four quarters.



During the first and third quarters, we'll be concentrating on the product of our top-selling artists. During the second quarter we'll focus on the rest of our catalog. There will be special programs for jazz, R&B, classical, country and \$4.98 releases. The important thing to re-

member is that *every* type of music is involved, including the hottest new releases of our biggest superstars.

At the retail level we've come up with point-of-purchase display pieces that will create an in-store atmosphere to capitalize on the football fever that's gripping the country.

WINNING SEASON™

These pieces include: a 250-LP dump, with a die-cut header card in the shape of a goalpost. The names of key artists will be featured and the whole display will be printed in red, blue and yellow. A 30" inflatable football to be used as a mobile. Three-color felt pennants to hang on the walls. A 4' over-the-wire poster-streamer to



string above aisles or to use as window/wall displays. 3 1/2" "Winning Season" buttons to get the clerks into the act.

In addition, each branch has ordered quantities of megaphones, stadium cushions, inflatable football players and

stadium blankets. For further information consult your CBS Records sales rep.

It's been proven time and again: In-store displays sell records. And with our superstar product and our customer incentives getting people into the stores, the job of the retailer is that much easier. And we'll be supporting that retailer with the most massive media campaign *ever* undertaken by a record company.

So if we all work together as a team, this fall will be a "Winning Season" for all of us.

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CREATIVE MARKETING
FOR A CREATIVE PRODUCT.**



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 Mississippi Delta City Blues
 Baby, What A Big Surprise
 Take Me Back To Chicago/Vote For Me/Little One




2-RECORD SET
**SANTANA
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 including:
 She's Not There/Black Magic Woman
 Soul Sacrifice/Gypsy Queen/Let The Children Play



**Joan Baez
 Blowin' Away**
 including:
 Time Rag
 Sailing
 Many A Mile To Freedom
 Cry Me A River
 I'm Blowin' Away




**Ted Nugent
 Cat Scratch Fever**
 including:
 Live It Up/Death By Misadventure
 Home Bound/Out Of Control/A Thousand Knives
 Wang Dang Sweet Poontang




**BILL WITHERS
 MENAGERIE**
 including:
 She Wants To (Get On Down)/Lovely Day
 I Want To Spend The Night
 Lovely Night For Dancing
 Let Me Be The One You Need




BOSTON
 including:
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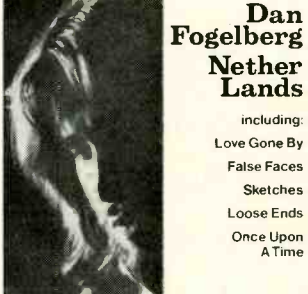
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 Sparks Of The Tempest/Hopelessly Human
 Lightning's Hand/Paradox/Dust In The Wind




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 Love Gone By
 False Faces
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 Loose Ends
 Once Upon A Time




**JANE OLIVOR
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 Come In From The Rain
 I'm Always Chasing Rainbows




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 Never Loved A Woman/You Got Money



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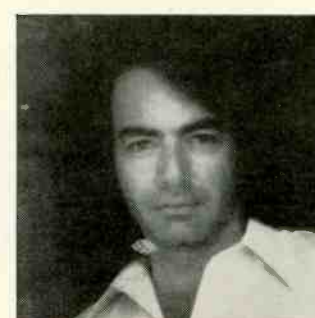
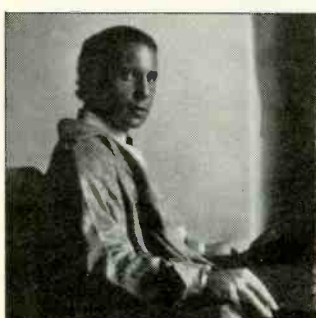
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THE JACKSONS/GOIN' PLACES
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 Goin' Places
 Do What You Wanna/Different Kind Of Lady
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**JAMES TAYLOR
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**ART GARFUNKEL
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Crying In My Sleep
Saturday Suit/Mr. Shuck n' Jive
Someone Else (1958)/Paper Chase




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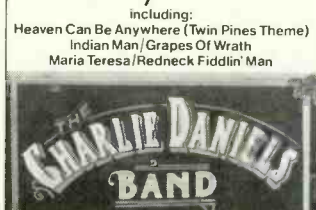
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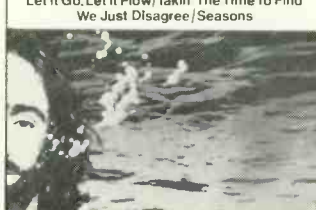
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The Whole Town's Laughing At Me
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*The Charlie Daniels
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Midnight Wind
including:
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Indian Man/Grapes Of Wrath
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Let It Flow**
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So High (Rock Me Baby And Roll Me Away)
Let It Go, Let It Flow/Takin' The Time To Find
We Just Disagree/Seasons




Phoebe Snow
Never Letting Go
including:
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Something So Right/Ride The Elevator
Majesty Of Life/We're Children



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**Wrap Your Love
All Around Your Man**
including:
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This Country Girl Is Woman Wise
I Couldn't Be Lonely (Even If I Wanted To)
Sweet Talkin' Man



**HEATWAVE
Too Hot To Handle**
including:
Boogie Nights/Super Soul Sister
All You Do Is Dial/Beat Your Booty
Too Hot To Handle



Bruce Springsteen
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including:
Tenth Avenue Freeze-Out/Jungleland
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**THE O'JAYS
TRAVELIN' AT THE
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Daddy's Back/Lady Luck



**HEART
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Retailers Gear Up for Holiday Season

■ As the record industry heads into its fourth quarter, retailers across the country begin preparing for what has traditionally been the "money time" of the year for them. With recession and unemployment statistics levelling off somewhat from the previous two years' highs, Christmas 1977 promises to be a most profitable one for the industry. In the following Dialogue, eight retailers offer their opinions on the upcoming holiday season.

Do you feel the higher list price of records is going to affect holiday sales? Are you going to alter any of your standard merchandising techniques due to the higher prices?

Barrie Bergman, Record Bar: No, not really. We've found that our units have remained constant or gone up. The higher dollars have been a nice addition and I think that will continue on through the holiday season.

Joe Bressi, Stark Records: I don't think so. I think the price at retail has become more competitive, at least with our chain, and that's kind of softened the blow to the consumer as far as list price going up. I really think we're over the hump. I'm changing my tune. We won't have to change our merchandising approach at all.

Ken Dobin, Waxie Maxie: No, I do not. I feel honestly that by Christmas every significant record out on any label is going to be \$7.98, including new releases and catalogues. Certainly every major white album is now \$7.98, new releases anyway. I don't think our merchandising approach is going to change. We sell \$6.98s on sale for \$3.99. For the past several years all the sale items have been \$3.99. For a \$7.98 list our sale price is going to be \$4.99. I don't think price will be any deterrent by the holiday season. It is some deterrent now, but I feel it slipping away almost daily. I don't think we'll have to do anything special to make up for higher prices.

Barry Goody, Sam Goody: That would depend on how much additional product goes up in price. Hit product is viable at any reasonable list price. A hit is a hit. If the customer wants it he'll pay more money for it. Catalogue is what seems to get hurt initially on any price rise. As manufacturers continue to go up on catalogue list price it seems there's a period of time—six months or a year—when the product seems to lose unit sales. And then you lose both dollar volume and unit sales. After a period of time, though, the customer gets used to paying the higher price and sales pick up.

Ben Karol, King Karol: Definitely not. Records are one of the lowest priced forms of entertainment in the entire entertainment industry. They are so low priced now that they're comparable to the postage stamps used to mail books. Really, you buy a record today for five or six bucks and you've got something in your house that gives you years of enjoyment and entertainment. You go to a movie, you go to a theatre, you go to a nightclub, you travel from here to 30 miles away and you're out a week's pay.

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Tom Keenan, Everybody's Records: Let me put it this way: it has not affected sales to any great degree as of yet. The first batch of \$7.98s, I think, slowed down once the public no longer considered them new items. Without the benefit of hit singles the albums slowed down much quicker than they would have otherwise. But there hasn't been a marked effect. But with all the stuff coming out now, and with Arista, Fantasy and others going to the higher prices, I think it will affect the catalogues of a lot of artists.

As far as merchandising techniques, we're based strictly on how much something sells. We may still carry one item of an album, but we won't be carrying twos and threes and fours. That's the difference.

Kim Milliken, For The Record: It will not affect sales of hit titles. The distribution of customer dollars will change, although the total quantity of customer dollars won't be affected. I think that a customer is more likely to comfortably tolerate the raise to \$7.98 of an Earth, Wind & Fire or an Elton John's Greatest Hits, Volume 2 than he is to tolerate venturing his dollars on some marginal act. I think it'll force customers to choose, if they have a limited amount of dollars, between titles. Not that a customer will just buy one; but if his intention was to buy four and they're all \$7.98 he may end up buying three. And those three will be the biggest hits. I'm not sure that my total dollars at the cash register will decrease, or even the units sales.

Bressi: ". . . there are many accessory items that make for an extra sale, and those are the things we look at especially hard during the Christmas season."

It's just the mix of what titles will be chosen—that's my best guess.

I won't change my merchandising approach because essentially, especially at holidays, I attempt to lead—I don't mean loss lead—with the hits. That's what will pull people into the stores. Frankly I don't much care which discs I sell as long as I sell a lot of them.

Pete Smolen, Sounds Familiar: Yeah, but I'm not sure which way. On the hit stuff the higher prices have definitely helped sales. I don't see any fight whatsoever. Catalogue, I think, will slow down. But the ones we have priced up haven't slowed down any. That's partially because they're interspersed with the other lower priced goods. And we have some pretty decent prices on our records.

When I get a good record in that's at a low list price it gets a lot better merchandising than the ones with high lists. If I get the Doobie Brothers or the Commodores or Fleetwood Mac, there's no difference in the merchandising at all. But some of the stuff that's coming out with a high list price doesn't deserve that price. Harry Nilsson at a high list price? Why is that one of them? I really can't find fault with the prices if the product is in demand. With the folks I sell to I'm not getting a fight.

In terms of meeting your customers' needs, has the holiday season changed much during the last four or five years? Are the same types of products still in demand?

Bergman: We've become a lot more sophisticated about the holiday season. Obviously it's the time of year when we make our money. We just do a much better job of merchandising and stocking our stores and just getting ready for the customers to come in and take it from us. The same products are pretty much in demand year after year. The greatest hits packages have emerged as the major big thing at Christmas, even though they're not as big the rest of the year. Comedy albums do better at Christmas. Of course this year I think you're bound to see stores doing a tremendous volume on Elvis Presley records. It's pretty obvious that's what going to happen.

Bressi: The same type of products are in demand, but there seems to be more dollars available to spend in our stores and more products to supplement what's already there. Obviously people are coming into record stores to buy records and tapes, but there are many accessory items that make for an extra sale, and those are the things we look at especially hard during the Christmas season.

Dobin: It's a funny thing. I do see Christmas product, Christmas music, is up one year and down the next. We have yet to figure out a pattern. Two years ago it was very strong, last year it was very weak. But on other things, the items that pick up are the greatest hits albums and strong catalogue items like Zeppelin or Bad Company or Denver or Manilow. We send the stores a hot sheet during Christmas so they can help us on ordering. There's maybe 100 items we have a stay right on top of. Very possibly half of those are albums that have not been released during the past year. These things become as strong as current sellers.

Goody: Hit product moves out extremely well, catalogue moves out well—it's about the same year after year. The only change is in which act is hot.

Karol: As a matter of fact exactly the same types of products are in demand. Nothing's changed in that respect. But I'd like to see older people come into the store. We do everything in our power to make older people feel comfortable. That's the big problem retailers have to overcome: the image that the record industry has managed to involve itself with in the last 10 years is youth. We've antagonized a lot of the older people. We try to overcome that by having an atmosphere that is conducive to making older people feel comfortable. I'd like to see a lot more of that. They have the money, and when they like something they go whole hog.

Keenan: No. It just keeps getting bigger. I think the rise of the superstore has certainly helped a lot in terms of making people aware that they can find just about any kind of music they want somewhere. Other than that I don't think anything has changed drastically. The same products are in demand: whatever's hot is hot. Certainly this year it looks like we're going into the biggest season ever, for two

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Music Stop Sees 'Boom Times' for Xmas Product

By MARC KIRKEBY

■ NEW YORK — Elvis Presley's Christmas album is likely to be the holiday season's most dramatic salesman in Detroit according to Rod Linnum, buyer for the Music Stop chain there. Linnum sees boom times ahead for much Christmas product, due largely to some relatively new discounting programs offered by manufacturers.

"The industry has done the Christmas customer a favor in reducing the list price from \$7.98 to \$4.98," Linnum said. "They make it very easy, with the dating they give the retailer, for us to buy the product, put it in the stores, and get it back to them before we ever have to pay the bill on it. So I'm not afraid to display the Christmas product, I'm not afraid to play with it. I will put it out into the stores in good quantity—it's a no-risk gamble."

For the Music Stop stores — there are now three of them, with four more due to open within six weeks—the fall season is a time for adding more adult product—show tunes, country, MOR—to shelves that are generally weighted heavily, 70 percent or more, to rock titles. Linnum said he plans to order more "adult" titles without drastically increasing the number of copies of each title, while his rock ordering will emphasize the stocking of more units without any significant increase in the number of titles.

New records coming out at \$7.98 are not likely to be hurt during the fall buying rush, Linnum said, but catalogue product bearing the new, higher list price may not fare as well. "On the new items I have not felt any ill effects," he said. "There's no drop in sales on new releases. However, I've seen a number of

albums, like the Eagles' 'Hotel California'—when it was a \$3.99 (\$6.98) album, it sold well; when they raised it to \$7.98 it stopped dead."

Linnum finds pre-recorded cassette sales to be coming back after a prolonged slump. "There was a time when people were questioning the value of carrying cassettes at all, except on the top 25 hit items, and that feeling has ebbed."

All tapes at the Music Stop are kept behind counters; as a rule, the customer finds the selection on record, then asks for the tape, Linnum said, and while he isn't thoroughly pleased with that arrangement, none of the proposed alternatives has yet caught his eye.

"The Capitol package just didn't lend itself well to our merchandising," he said. "It's not that much more pilfer-proof than put-

ting the actual tape out. I think the ideal way to package them would be to find a way to put them right in the bin with the lp, so when the customer walks to the Steve Miller bin, he can find the lp, eight-track and cassette right together."

The Music Stop will also stock more cut-outs and budget merchandise for the fall, but more for the impulse buyer than for the gift shopper, Linnum said.

"Christmas may be the one time of the year when sales of cut-outs drop a little bit," he continued. "That's the one time of the year when people don't really care about the price of an album. They want it as a gift, and they won't give a \$2.99 cut-out album to someone as a gift. Cut-outs is a standard, year-round business that doesn't really have its peak points, but it's very consistent, very important."

Expansion Keys Franklin Music's Fall Plans

By ALAN WOLMARK

■ Franklin Music, an important retail chain in the Atlanta, Georgia area, is presently undergoing a massive expansion which will encompass a greatly enlarged stock and the opening of six new stores in the near future. The improved stock will, of course, be ready for the huge Christmas market which Dick Albertson, the chain's retail operations manager, feels will be unusually strong.

"We will have a much broader selection because of the strong Christmas anticipated," said Albertson. The Christmas feeling has already hit Franklin Music. Its stores are beginning to be stocked to the gills and particularly strong sales are now being reported. The concept of an enlarged product selection will remain an integral part of Franklin Music's operations long after the year's end and will hopefully add another dimension to the chain's expansion theme.

Larger inventories, including a decisive push in the pre-recorded music categories, form the main thrust of the Christmas campaign for the three Franklin stores which range in size from 4400 to 7400 square feet, ample enough space to house the added product. According to Albertson, cassettes, which are a steadily growing item, should prove a big seller, and the stores will "try to experiment with different arrangements. We are planning to carry from 3000 to 6000 more titles this year." Along with more pre-recorded tapes comes the problem of more rip-offs. To combat this, the Franklin Music stores will in-

stitute the long box display method in which cassettes are attached to central rods in a long browsing box.

While Albertson feels that the last two or three years have had relatively weak Christmas sales, he senses this year to be quite a good one. "People have been buying less box sets, the heavy gift items; but the effect of Elvis' death should improve sales, particularly on the Elvis boxes."

Casablanca Expects Best Quarter Ever

■ It's the fourth quarter and there's gold to go at Casablanca Record and FilmWorks. After another year of growth, Casablanca president Neil Bogart expects this last quarter to be the largest ever for the label. Planned are a live, two record set from Kiss, studio discs from Donna Summer and Parliament, and new lps from Angel, Stallion, and "Star Wars" hitmaker, Meco. The company expects the largest number of records ever released by Casablanca in a single quarter.

High on the list of priorities at Casablanca will be a "Disco Awareness" program, which will feature special television spots by video whiz Chuck Braverman for Donna Summer, Giorgio, Meco, Paul Jabara, Eddie Drennon, Love & Kisses, Pattie Brooks, Roberta Kelly, and Village People. The merchandising plan will include special promotional pieces for discos as well as record store displays designed for the holidays.

Casablanca is also planning an extensive print campaign and has designed advertising for display

Franklin Music also expects to profit from the renewed interest in Elvis product in that his death has "reintroduced a lot of people back to record buying." Many people purchasing Elvis lps will, at the same time, pick up other albums. This sort of "spread" should also benefit the industry at large.

When asked what products will be this year's big Christmas item, Albertson declined speculation

feeling it "too early to predict the strong sellers." He did note, though, a steady decline in the sales of Christmas records and he expects a further drop in sales unless some special product hits the market. The Elvis Christmas disc might just do the trick.

Another dimension to the Franklin Music expansion for Christmas and afterwards will be catering to the immensely increased appeal of cut-outs.

on 1,000 buses in New York City. Several billboard displays are also on the drawing boards to announce both music and film product for the label.

A highlight of the coming season at Casablanca will be the imminent release of Kiss' "Alive Two" lp and the merchandising of this package promises to continue the colorful image of the group. A four color booklet is planned for inclusion in the album, with pictures that reflect the band's stage show. An added bonus of this package will be a sheet of water-soluble tattoos. Also included will be T-shirt order forms and Kiss Army application blanks.

A major focus this fall will be on continuing the success of Casablanca-distributed labels. Cecil Holmes' Chocolate City Records is currently riding the charts with its group Cameo, whose "Cardiac Arrest" lp has already spawned two hit singles. Major community affairs projects are planned in conjunction with Casablanca soul artists.

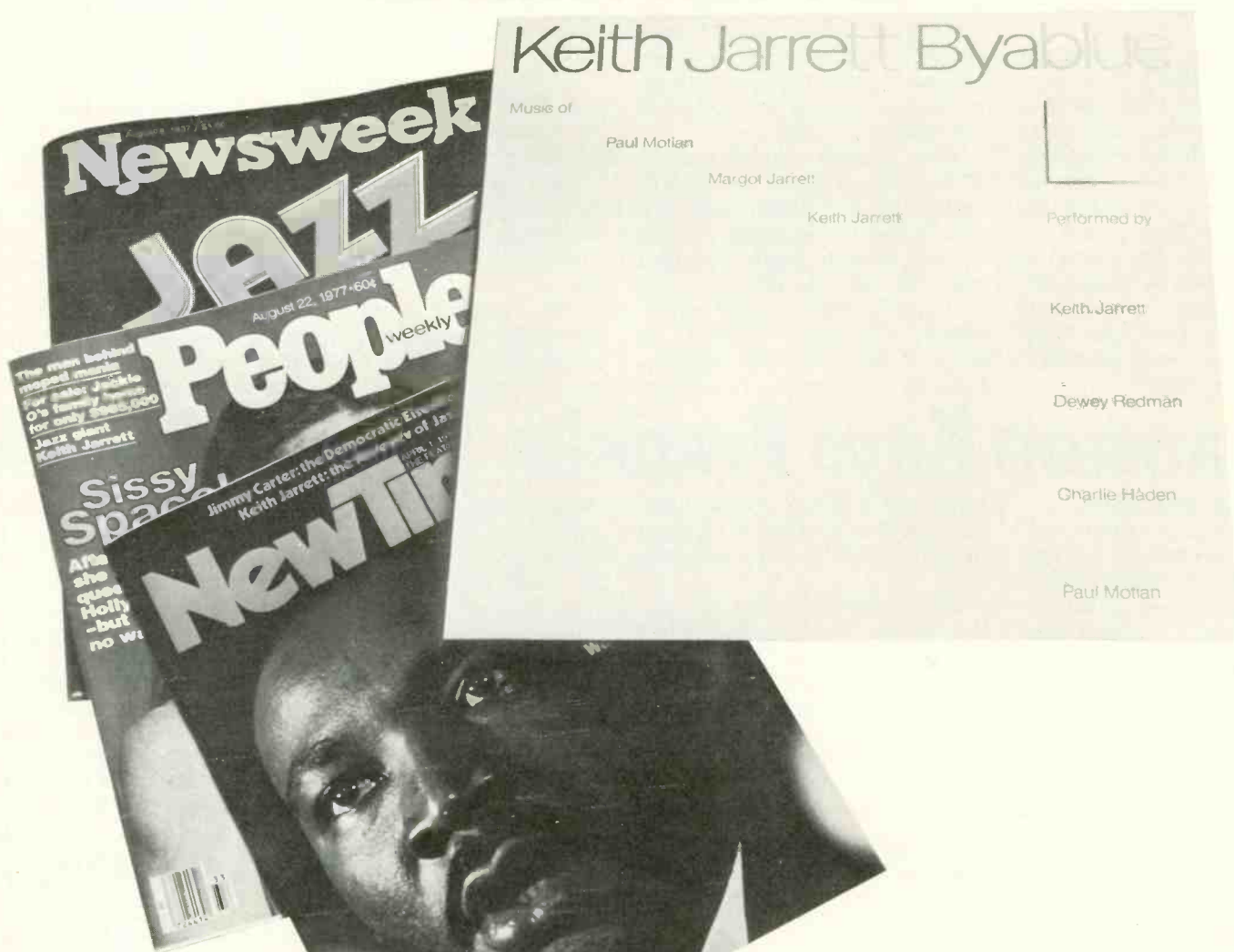
One of the greatest success stories in the Casablanca scrapbook is the rise of Meco, whose "Star Wars Theme/Cantina Band" has catapulted Jimmy Lenner's and Irv Biegel's Millennium label into the forefront of the music scene. Current singles by Madison Street, Sovereign and Regal Dewey are presently receiving royal treatment by the label, while the rise of Bruce Foster's star is cause for satisfaction at the new company. With an ear for success that won't quit, Lenner and Biegel are preparing to introduce a new group, Brooklyn Dreams, and plan an intensive promotional campaign to showcase them. Beginning in the band's home turf, the campaign will include extensive advertising in all Brooklyn papers, and stores and discos in the borough are slated to receive special promotional displays. Both an album and single are planned for fall release.

Russ Regan's Parachute label makes its debut this fall with the release of records by David Castle and La Lomie Washburn.

Cover Story.

Out of all the cover stories on the resurgence of jazz, one name emerges continuously.

Keith Jarrett



"Jarrett is an extraordinary pianist, fluent and eloquent, who bounces uneven rhythms against each other in the manner of Scriabin. Sometimes the elegant romantic world he creates is reminiscent of Schumann — only more temperate. Jarrett's is a cool world where no one laughs or cries, like a subterranean Atlantis, below the swelling and subsiding of gentle waves. The materials flow beautifully, changing as the tricky currents of a stream change. But there are no fish to catch and the water's too cold for swimming."

— *Newsweek Magazine*

"He simultaneously improvises theme, variation, development and structure. It is all improvised, made on the spot, from instant to instant. There would appear to be no other player in the world, from any musical background, who does what he does on the concert stage."

— *New Times*

"Jarrett contemplates the keyboard, holds his chin between two fingers, looks to the audience and then back at the keys. Silence. Minutes tick by without a note: they seem like hours. Then, shattering the hush, someone in the audience yells, 'C-Sharp Major.' Not a Concerto in C-Sharp Major. Not a traditional blues piece titled C-Sharp Major. Not a work of Jarrett's, a track, a hit, an oldie, a classic, a trademark riff. The request is simply for a chord. The shocked silence turns to laughter. Jarrett smiles, relieved. 'Thanks,' he yells back. 'I needed that.'"

— *People Magazine*



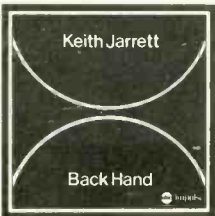
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'Magic of Motown' Campaign Set For Fall

■ After enjoying one of its best years ever for album sales, Motown Records is gearing up to duplicate the feat with hot new album product by Diana Ross, Stevie Wonder, Marvin Gaye and The Commodores.

In conjunction with these and other releases, Motown will initiate a special "The Magic of Motown!" merchandising campaign that will carry through the closing quarter of the year, according to Mike Lushka, executive vice president and general manager of marketing.

One of the first albums to be afforded the "magic" treatment is Diana Ross' "Baby It's Me." In connection with its release, Motown is preparing a massive marketing campaign that will include trade, consumer, and radio advertising.

There also will be in-store displays that will feature a 48" x 48" album cover blowup of Miss Ross and a special limited quantity of stand-up displays for key retail outlets.

While the Ross album is the first to reap the benefits of the new campaign, all current and future product will be afforded the same honor.

Throughout the "magic" campaign, Lushka pointed out, Motown will accentuate current releases, while heavily promoting new product by such established artists as Smokey Robinson, David Ruffin, Willie Hutch, Jr. Walker, Thelma Houston and Jerry Butler, whose new albums are entitled "The Devil In Me," and "It All Comes Out In My Songs," respectively.

As far as new artists are concerned, the "magic" campaign will focus on 21st Creation; High Inergy, whose first album, "Turnin' On," contains the hit single "You Can't Turn Me Off;" and Phillip Jarrell, who co-wrote the hit "Torn Between Two Lovers" with Peter Yarrow. Jarrell's album was recorded in Muscle Shoals, Alabama, where he received backing from the Muscle Shoals Horn Section.

Discussing new and established artists in relation to the campaign, Lushka pointed out, "There is a magical quality about the Motown name and there is great admiration for the way Motown has become a significant American success story. These advantages will be fully exploited in the months to come.

"Based around 'The Magic of Motown' theme," Lushka explained, "the label is considering a twenty-five minute video presentation for distributors and retail personnel highlighting the

history of the label and current releases."

In conjunction with this, two special promo albums, titled "The Magic of Motown!" will include cuts from all fall releases for in-store play.

As an extra selling point, Motown will utilize a variety of promotional vehicles to fully exploit and expose the product in the marketplace. In some cases, billboards, mobiles, full-color posters, badges, T-shirts and stickers will be used to promote the product.

'Low End' Product Keys Holidays At Record Revolution

By DAVID MCGEE

■ NEW YORK—While most retailers are planning to trade on the hits during the coming holiday season, Peter Schliewen, owner of Cleveland's Record Revolution, expects to generate business by featuring what he calls "low end" merchandise: cutouts, overruns and "fine used records."

Schliewen is currently prepar-

ing to open his second store, this one to be located on the city's west side, in the strip section of an enclosed mall shopping center. 2000 of the new store's 6000 square feet will be devoted to low end merchandise.

Why the about-face from standard retailing philosophy which says the money is in the hits? According to Schliewen, tough

competition is forcing small store owners to live by their wits in order to survive. Necessity is certainly the mother of invention here.

"To me, low end merchandise is the name of the game," says Schliewen, "unless you want to give away records to generate profits. Low end is just fantastic. People love buying records for one, two and three dollars. And it's much more profitable for me because I make as much money selling a cutout as I do selling a new release—and I've got four times the amount of money tied up in a new release."

Schliewen's merchandise comes from three sources: directly from manufacturers; from standard cutout houses; and from the people of Cleveland who sell off their old records. Schliewen emphasizes that he buys only "fine" used records, not ones that are damaged or scratched.

UA Sets Heavy Fall Releases

■ United Artists Records President Artie Mogull has announced the scheduled fall release of new lps from some of the label's top recording acts. Many of these new releases will be the subject of major merchandising and marketing campaigns, with several debut albums from newly signed artists also receiving substantial support.

Foremost among UA's September releases is the third album from the Brooklyn-based disco/funk conglomerate Brass Construction. "Brass Construction III," produced by Jeff Lane, will receive extensive in-store merchandising support as well as advertising in consumer print, radio and newspaper. Another notable September release will be the solo album on UA/Jet Records from singer/songwriter/pianist Alan Price. The lp, which will receive a strong marketing push, will be shipped in coordination with a national tour in late September. Other albums scheduled for September release include the soundtrack to the Ken Russell film "Valentino;" the debut lp from Italian progressive keyboardist Reverberi; Jamaican reggae/jazz artist Rico; jazz vibraphonist Bobby Hutcherson's latest on Blue Note, "Knucklebean;" as well as the first lp from singer/songwriter Nancy Shanx and, as part of a continuing series, seven reggae albums by such artists as Pablo Moses, Ken Boothe and Jackie Mittoo.

October will see the release of a double studio lp from Electric

Light Orchestra on UA/Jet. The set will receive substantial marketing support as well as an advertising campaign with heavy multi-media emphasis, including exposure in national magazines, radio, newspapers and television. Major merchandising materials are currently being developed for the album employing startling cover art which continues the use of the ELO logo from their double platinum "New World's Record."

Other UA October releases receiving substantial marketing support include new albums from Anthony Newley and Paul Anka, whose in-concert album is entitled "Live My Way." New albums from top selling vocal group Enchantment on UA/Roadshow, country/pop star Kenny Rogers and Chicago-based balladeer Walter Jackson on UA/Chi-Sound are also forthcoming. Albums from country performers Slim Whitman and Melba Montgomery, as well as debut albums from rock 'n' roll groups Glider, Vehicle and the Millingtons, fronted by former Fanny members June and Jean Millington, are slated for October release. A soft rock/folk group, Jericho Harp, produced by Peter Yarrow, and singer/songwriter Jesse Cutler will have October debuts and there will be new works by jazz pianist Barbara Carroll, Magnet Records' Young and Moody, as well as Lonnie Donnegan's latest, and a second series of seven reggae albums by such artists as Horace Andy, Dobson and The Heptones.

and press and publicity departments have begun scheduling a heavy concentration of television and newspaper exposure. Steps also will be made to book them on local and national TV shows.

Current Motown product that will benefit from the "magic" campaign, in addition to new releases, are "Rareearth," Rare Earth; "Rich Love, Poor Love," G. C. Cameron and Syreeta; "Slick," Eddie Kendricks; Mandre; "Feel The Fire," Jermaine Jackson; and "Give And Take," by the Dynamic Superiors.

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"Fine used albums, honestly, are the number one profitmaking thing I've found since I've been in this business," he explains. "I know that the manufacturers are definitely not in favor of it. They make no money when you sell a record second time around. But I have to look at it as a retailer, and for me it's phenomenal. It is just unbelievable how successful it is. All you need is some cash in the bank to make your purchases with, a real good buyer and you're in business. And any retailer can get into it if he has the room. I guarantee he'll make more money at that than he will hustling anything else you can sell in a record store."

Which is not to say that Record Revolution is giving up on major releases come the holidays. Schliewen plans to feature prominently the music that is popular in the Cleveland market—particularly albums by Bruce Springsteen, Southside Johnny and the Asbury Jukes and Graham Parker and the Rumour—as well as the top hit albums of the moment.

Lieberman Cites Records as Gift Items

By ALAN WOLMARK

■ With the public very conscious of the decreasing value of the dollar, Lieberman Enterprises, rack jobber for music departments in over 1200 retail stores in 30 states, will be hammering home the fact that recorded music is a great value. David Lieberman, co-owner with his brother Steve and brother-in-law Harold Okinow, hopes that the entire industry will promote this concept for the upcoming holiday season. "When I think what gifts can be bought for five or six dollars, a tie or maybe a handkerchief, recorded music really is the best buy," said David Lieberman during a recent telephone interview.

Higher prices for lps affected sales earlier this year, but Lieberman feels that the initial shock is over and that the fall season won't suffer. With the public accustomed to paying more for things, a heavy Christmas is expected, but Lieberman does object to labels using the \$7.98 list across the board. He "would encourage a \$6.98 list for breaking new acts. There must be some en-

ticement for people to buy product by new or unknown artists."

The company is, of course, looking to "greatest hits" packages to be big sellers and gift items along with the superstars of 1977, Peter Frampton and Fleetwood Mac. A usual Christmas market is foreseen and Lieberman, whose enterprise is the country's fourth largest rack jobber and supplier of Woolco and most of the Sears chain, claims to have had a very good year. He added, "I see no real changes other than an increased inventory."

Presley Catalogue

The Minneapolis-based firm boasts sales in excess of \$45 million last year and has first-hand exposure to retail trends. "We anticipated a good year before the Elvis thing and it should help," said Lieberman, along with his speculation that the current Elvis boom will not be a short-term thing. "An event such as this opens people's minds. They brush off old records and say, 'This is really good.' A recent example would be the music from 'The

Sting.'"

Other forms of pre-recorded music are enjoying increased sales, but although pre-recorded cassettes sales are steadily rising only an increased stock will be instituted for the holidays. If the reality of the sales of blank tapes are considered, tapes are even outselling records. Stores would like to promote cassettes, but according to Lieberman, "Unfortunately, security is an issue. Cassettes are hard to merchandise as you would like to."

No additional promotion other than the usual will support cut-out and budget merchandise because, as Lieberman stressed, "Let's face it, people will always buy three records for the price of one" and as for imports, which account for modest sales at Lieberman's larger outlets, there will be "a slight increase in stock but knowledgeable people buy them and they'd usually go to small stores."

As for actual Christmas records, Lieberman Enterprises has found them to sell consistently in good years and bad.

Licorice Pizza's Fall Will Stress Basics

By MIKE FALCON

■ Licorice Pizza, like every retailer, plans some alterations in operation in order to capitalize on the holiday selling season, but according to John Houghton, vice president in charge of advertising, the company's basic merchandising policy will not be changed.

"We tend towards hits during the holiday season," stated the executive, "and we find that to be more and more true each year, but overall the same type of product is still in demand."

Houghton predicted that pre-recorded cassettes are still a growing holiday market, but, in line with the company's Christmas marketing plans, "there won't be too much change in the way we sell them."

More Titles

An increase in the number of titles available in Licorice Pizza stores is planned for the holiday season, as the company does not predict that a series of manufacturer-suggested list prices will re-

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No Let-Up in E/A Marketing Push

■ Elektra/Asylum/Nonesuch Records' national sales and marketing directors are mounting fullscale campaigns around the company's fall releases while continuing local and national support for spring and summer and catalogue product. September and October pre-holiday releases are expected to maintain the momentum generated by the company's strongest-ever first and second quarters earlier this year.

Pacesetters

George Steele, vice president/marketing, sees these record-setting periods as pacesetters for E/A's future sales growth. He attributes much of the company's success to sales and merchandising support for strong-selling records after their initial release.

"The extended and continuing success of titles by Linda Ronstadt, The Eagles, Jackson Browne, and Bread this past year have made for unprecedented sales for E/A," he said. "We have been successful with Sergio Mendes in both the pop and r&b fields, and have had spectacular success with our first country music promotion, 'E/A Kicks In The Country.'"

Artist Cooperation

Steele discussed the relationship between E/A's marketing/merchandising department and the company's artist roster:

"Nearly all our recent signings, 'new' artists like Terence Boylan, Pakalameridith, the Dictators, Ca-

role Bayer Sager, Bruce Roberts, Stella Parton, John Prine, Sam Neely, and the Bernie Leadon-Michael Georgiades Band are not 'new' to the music business, so they carry themselves with a high degree of professionalism. This attitude extends to their relationship with sales and marketing personnel and makes for an extremely smooth-working operation.

"Jay Ferguson, Chris Hillman, the Rowan Brothers, the Cate Bros. Band, and Steve Goodman have albums shipping right now, and we are implementing marketing plans to maximize their impact. Each of these artists has his own growth rate, and with each new release they accelerate that growth and increase their acceptance in the marketplace. They are touring to support their product and are breaking new ground every day with added sales and airplay."

Merchandising Team

Much of E/A's continuing success can be attributed to the company's marketing/merchandising team, headed by Steele. Susan Ostman, director of national advertising, has been instrumental in strategic placement of advertising, market by market. Walter Wanger, creative services, has been actively involved in constructing the elements of these ads, working closely with art director Tony Lane. Lynn Schneider, recently promoted to the post of

director of merchandising, and Cathy Fine, newly added merchandising assistant, are also involved.

Cates, Chapin

Current merchandising plans revolve around the company's fall release schedule. "The Cate Bros. Band" is unique in its self-containment. Unlike their first two E/A albums, this one is totally band-prepared, without session men. Walter Wanger is providing custom radio spots for areas where the Cates are already established, and using a different approach to "break" them in other areas. Harry Chapin's "Dance Band On The Titanic" is a merchandising "natural" with its nautical theme, and stores and sales personnel throughout the country are flooding E/A with store display and radio advertising ideas for this double-album.

Ronstadt

Linda Ronstadt's much-awaited "Simple Dreams" is highlighted by three by four feet posters mounted on foam cores. The artwork is an enlargement of the innersleeve photo, and is supplemented with a seven by twenty-five inch banner which is used for instore display.

Marketing plans are currently being finalized for Jay Ferguson's "Thunder Island," Chris Hillman's "Clear Sailing," and the "Terence Boylan" album in current release.

In the fall and winter new re-

leases are expected from Warren Zevon, whose second Asylum album "Exciteable Boy" will be completed when its co-producer, Jackson Browne, returns from his summer tour. Jackson is preparing a live album to be called "The Road And The Sky," recorded during his August and September concert dates. Queen has already completed their new album, with no release date slated, and Carly Simon and Joni Mitchell are in the studio.

Immediately forthcoming on the E/A release roster are Steve Goodman's third E/A album, "Say It In Private," the Rowan Brothers' "Jubilation," Tom Waits' "Foreign Affairs," and Bruce Roberts' debut, "Bruce Roberts."

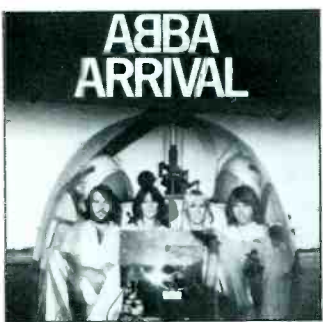
Steele assessed the past year's merchandising efforts:

"Carole Bayer Sager met with widespread critical and media success, aided by marketing support for her debut album, 'Carole Bayer Sager,' and her eight-city personal appearance tour in June and July.

"We used a special 'quarter' mailing technique to introduce new singles by Sergio Mendes, Pakalameridith, and Carly Simon. Lou Maglia, national singles sales director, designed a promotional folder that included a 25 cent piece 'for the jukebox' and recently had an 'eviction notice' printed up for Carole Bayer Sa-

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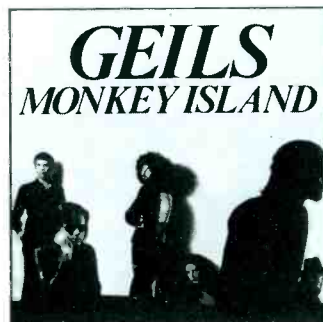
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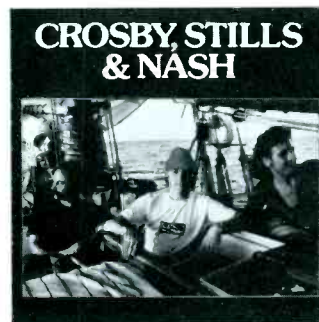
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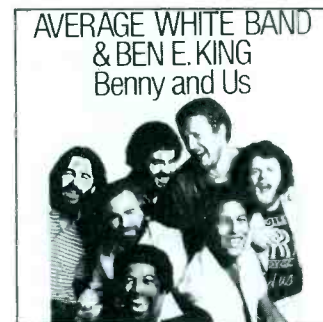
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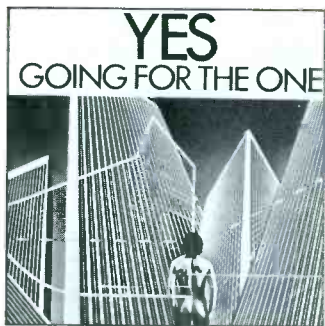
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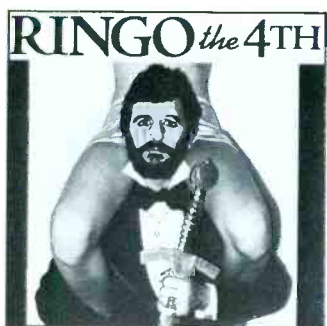
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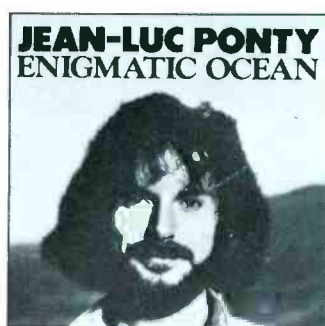
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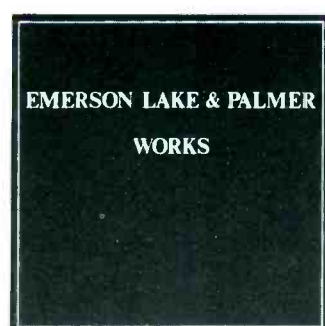
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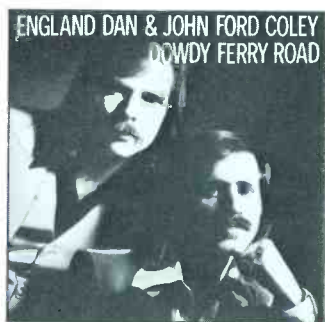
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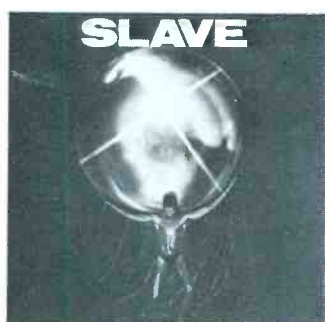
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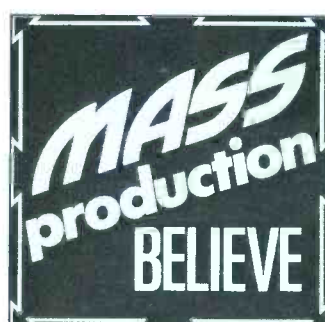
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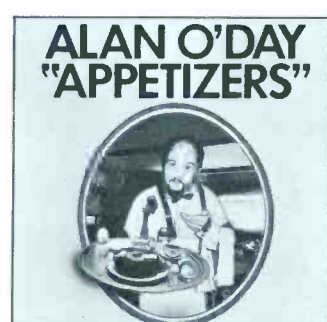
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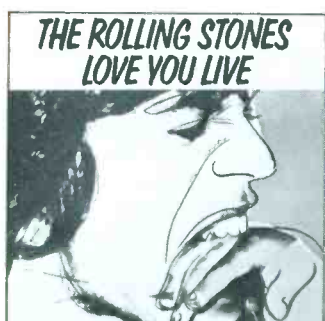
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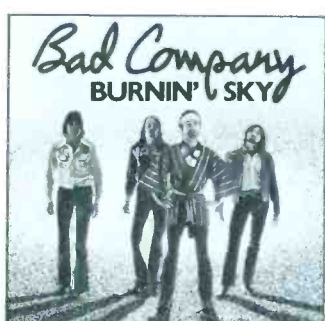
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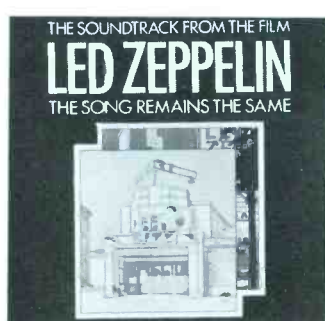
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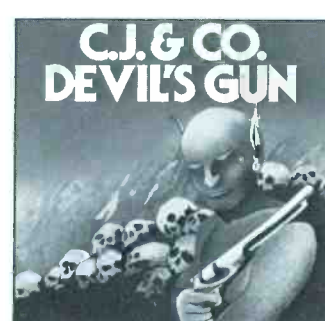
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Capitol: Committed to Innovation

■ "We're committed to being innovative, unique and first when it comes to merchandising records and tapes," asserts Jim Mazza, Capitol Records' vice president, marketing.

Many accounts across the country feel Capitol is a leader in the field of merchandising as evidenced by a recent quote in a national publication where Steve Salsburg, national director of advertising for Lieberman Enterprises Inc. said, "In fact, I think Capitol is several months ahead of the industry when it comes to merchandising innovations."

Capitol's merchandising & advertising department has looked for new designs and different layouts on traditional merchandising items like posters, mobiles and racks, but Capitol also has pioneered all types of displays including polystyrene wall logos and various lighting displays. One example is the recent Steve Miller light box that illuminates the album cover from behind. There also have been neon lighting displays for acts such as Wings and Little River Band.

Capitol recently created a new approach to tape merchandising with "blister packed" eight-track and cassette tapes on cardboard backing half the size of albums (large enough to reduce pilferage)



with album liner information included.

The company also tried something different with special promotional flight jackets by making several hundred available through a contest to consumers instead of limiting them to persons in the music industry.

About a year ago Capitol went through a period of designing some inventive floor displays—both those that held a browser rack of a particular artist's albums and those that simply showed the artist with one piece of their cur-

rent product. For that latter type of display Capitol prepared almost life-size, realistic-looking, foam-core cut-outs of Jessie Colter and Natalie Cole.

Capitol also designed two special colorful in-store wire racks for its "Greatest Music Ever Sold" campaign last year and both can be utilized again in merchandising future product.

However, sometimes worthwhile ideas come from other labels or from Capitol's field staff. One such display Capitol is planning to utilize in the near future

is the now-popular four-foot-by-four-foot boards that resemble a giant album cover. They can be used both inside or outside stores.

"Whatever we use is eye-catching; that's our main criteria," says Dan Davis, vice president, creative services/merchandising & advertising/press & artist relations. "Sometimes we tie in every component to the album artwork so that it relates back visually. Other times we key off a logo like we did with Wings and Little River Band (LRB) and carry it through posters, wall displays, T-shirts, belt buckles, banners, mobiles, lighting displays . . . the whole works."

"It's difficult to keep from getting in a rut," says Don Grierson, director, merchandising & advertising, "because the cost factors, and what you can expect in the way of profitable return, limits what can be done. Our budget can't always handle all our creative ideas, but we go ahead with everything that's feasible."

"We serve as the national office supplying materials, but each branch office around the country does very creative things on their own on the local level. They feed in ideas and give us input on what we send them. It's becoming a tighter and more effective operation all the time," Grierson adds.

A&M Keys on Creativity in Merchandising Thrust

■ A&M Records will continue to use the most innovative and effective advertising and merchandising material it can invent during the last quarter of 1977, according to Bob Reitman, director of advertising and merchandising. Says Reitman, "A&M has always had a reputation of providing retail outlets and distributors with some of the most creative display material in the industry. We intend to uphold and expand that reputation in the coming months."

Reitman points out that the deployment of four regional merchandising directors will expedite merchandising matters in two areas, first by insuring that the correct allocations are sent, and, second, by insuring that the material gets into the stores. In the latter sense, the regional merchandising directors support the efforts of A&M's independent distributors.

A&M's display material will be of various types, with four-by-fours and modular displays used extensively. Four-by-fours, which are four-foot by four-foot posters mounted on foamcore, making the poster look like a painting, will be extensively used, due to their strong visual impact. The



four-by-fours will be product oriented, since A&M album covers are strong visually.

Modular displays, initially (and successfully) used for Peter Frampton, can be used as browser bins, stand-up displays, mobiles or wall units. Because of their adaptability, they have been enormously successful, even being used to promote catalogue as well as current product. Initial plans for modular units call for use on soon-to-be-released product by Target and Richie Havens.

In addition to the foregoing, A&M's use of browser boxes continues to be highly effective. The albums come shipped in the boxes, which are then opened to become display pieces for the albums contained inside.

Reitman points out that in-store merchandising materials and a heavy saturation of advertising are necessary in today's strongly competitive marketplace, and that A&M continues to be inventive and aggressive in those areas. The success that A&M has had with such artists as Peter Frampton, Rita Coolidge, Supertramp, Pablo Cruise, Styx, LTD, the Brothers Johnson, the Captain and Tennille and Carpenters certainly proves the point.

Individuality Keys RCA Fall Campaign

■ RCA Records moves into the second half of 1977 with one of the most comprehensive and far-reaching merchandising campaigns in the company's history.

According to Bob Summer, RCA's division vice president, marketing operations, "Our extensive merchandising plans reflect an incredibly strong and diverse release program calculated to deliver important new releases in every area of recorded music."

In delivering the records that Summer speaks of, RCA will rely on highly stylized merchandising and marketing campaigns which are unique and individually keyed to each artist.

Daryl Hall & John Oates' August 1p, "Beauty on a Back Street" is a prime example of the individuality movement. The album graphics of this (already gold) album lend themselves to extensive use, and keying this artwork to

merchandising plans has seen RCA come up with four-color posters of varying size, store streamers, step down header cards and mobiles, all keyed to the album's graphics.

Harry Nilsson's face may not have launched a 1000 ships, but it is on the cover of his new album, "Knnillsson." Using this unique cover, RCA has devised posters, stickers, stationery and memo pads which all use the unique Knnillsson artwork.

Another example of the individuality movement is Pure Prairie League's new double live album, "Takin' The Stage." A specially-priced two-record set, the group's use of both a stage coach, and the familiar countenance of "Old Luke" has left the door open for countless local and national merchandising campaigns around these two items.

With individuality as the key,

RCA Records will be going into the second half of 1977 with highly-stylized campaigns on artists like: Waylon Jennings, Dolly Parton, David Bowie, Dr. Buzard's Original Savannah Band, Redbone, Aztec Two-Step, Rosie, Bill Quateman, Silverado and Jefferson Starship.

These campaigns will oftentimes cross over themselves with artists like Dolly and Waylon. But artists and albums are not to be restricted to their genre. Albums by Steve Young and Charley Pride, for example, will have wide reaching campaigns.

Pablo Live Series

In the area of jazz, RCA is setting plans to merchandise an unprecedented flow of seventeen Pablo Live albums, to be released throughout the fall, all of them recorded by impresario Norman Granz during performances at the recent Montreux Jazz Festival.

Support will include consumer advertising in such publications as Down Beat, Radio Free Jazz and The Gig, radio time buys in major cities throughout the U.S. and a permanent Pablo display piece that will feature the empty LP covers of the new Pablo Live albums as they're released. The Pablo merchandising push will be in effect through Christmas, focusing on such jazz greats as Count Basie, Oscar Peterson, Dizzy Gillespie, Milt Jackson, Tommy Flanagan, Ray Bryant, Roy Eldridge, Benny Carter, Eddie Lockjaw Davis, Ella Fitzgerald, Joe Pass and jam sessions by The Pablo All-Stars.

Vicki Sue Robinson and Chocolate Milk, two R&B/Pop acts are currently being readied for an extensive merchandising push.

RCA's Legendary series, an established entity will have six new
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ABC Spotlights Personalized Programs

■ ABC Records' increased emphasis on long-term career development of album-oriented artists to match its rich history in singles chart activity will be reflected in the label's progressive marketing and merchandising programs for the fall quarter. Rather than one rigid national campaign, ABC is instituting a series of personalized programs—many in conjunction with live appearances and subsidized showcases by company acts—tailored to both the individual areas and type of music involved.

Several innovative facets, however, will be implemented in almost all markets. Among them are: a major step into television as a vital form of advertising, a more creative approach to traditional radio spots, intensified label support for retail outlets, and the introduction of merchandising tools to aid retailers' awareness of ABC product. Many of the fresh programs are being put into operation in late Sept. when "AJA," the sixth album by Steely Dan, ships gold.

In explaining the central focus of ABC's fall marketing strategy, Barry Grieff, vice president of marketing and creative services, said, "We are going in less for gimmicks and more for multimedia events. We want people to be able to hear our product, see it, and even feel it before they buy it."

Meanwhile, as retail sales become more influential in determining airplay, ABC is taking an increasingly aggressive in-store stance. In the fourth quarter, Grieff said, ABC will allot more funds to assist outlets with local

advertising and in-store promotion, while making available a wide array of merchandising tools. "We will be supplying several different types of tools so retailers have a choice," Grieff explained.

Beginning in October, ABC will unveil 30-second TV spots for four of the label's established acts: Jimmy Buffett, Steely Dan, Stephen Bishop and The Floaters. The spots, created by the Tinker-Campbell-Ewald agency (which also does the national Chevrolet spots), are designed to bring record company TV ads up to par with those of other major corporations. The spots will appear in most major markets, and be made available to retailers for use in their own local advertising.

In most instances, the TV spots will be tied in with newspaper, radio, and consumer print advertising, as well as in-store retail promotion. Herb Wood, national director of merchandising, described the strategy as "Fourwalling," and explained that the media blitzes would often be associated with local live or taped appearances by the artists. Wood said TV advertising will be utilized mainly for "turning albums from gold to platinum," but pointed out that all ABC roster acts will be receiving media and retail backing in the fourth quarter. In the case of radio spots, Wood is currently devising methods to spruce up the typical announcer voice-over format.

To broaden the base of support for its artists, and to take advantage of substantial increases in impulse buying, ABC is undertak-

ing a wide range of merchandising techniques aimed at the major retail chains as well as secondary and tertiary outlets. For the major chains that construct their own displays, such as Peaches, ABC will concentrate more on supplying advertising revenue for them to allocate as they see fit, while for others, the label will play an active role in supplying and constructing tools. These tools will include posters, in-store displays, T-shirts, mobiles and empty jackets.

In addition, ABC is stressing more of a personal approach between label sales reps and retailers. The reps will begin more visits to outlets, and starting in October, will bring along a new soon-to-be-announced tool that ABC executives feel will greatly enhance and alter sales rep/retailer business dealings. ABC is also planning contests to award retailers with the highest net sales of ABC product.

The merchandising program for the Steely Dan album "AJA" is marked by its comprehensiveness. Eight thousand self-shipper boxes with the "AJA" cover design capable of holding 25 albums are being sent to all accounts, accompanied by a 12" x 36" streamer. A 24" x 36" poster, displaying the entire Steely Dan catalogue, has been designed, as have T-shirts. Advertising upon release consists of four-color trade ads, consumer print ads and radio spots. A special press kit has been sent to all sales reps.

The extensiveness of the Steely Dan program is indicative of the attention ABC will give the rest of

its fall product (which includes distributed albums on ABC/Dot, Impulse, Hickory, ABC Classics and Seon, and Westminster Gold). The program for "Levon Helm and the RCO All Stars," the first solo album by a member of the Band, will parallel Steely Dan's in scope.

Also actively supported will be Blood, Sweat & Tears' first ABC album, Crosby & Nash's live album, and new product from the Four Tops, the Pointer Sisters, Tompall Glaser, Harold Melvin & the Blue Notes, Eloise Laws, Mighty Clouds, Paul Parish, Doug Owen, Blue Mitchell and Rhythm Heritage.

Country Artists

ABC is mounting a special effort to break country music artist Don Williams into the pop market. The label is showcasing Williams at the Bottom Line and Roxy, and producing a poster designed to further his appeal at the retail level. Also supported in crossover attempts will be the Oak Ridge Boys and Tommy Overstreet. Other upcoming ABC/Dot country product includes albums by Freddy Fender, Hank Thompson, Narvel Felts, Ray Price and Barbara Mandrell.

ABC is also creating merchandising tools to support its fall classical release, which includes six Westminster Gold albums and five from ABC Classics and Seon. Among the latter will be the elaborate two-record set, "The Complete Brandenburg Concertos," performed on original instruments by Gustav Leohardt.

ABC will also actively work to further exoose artists who already have product out.



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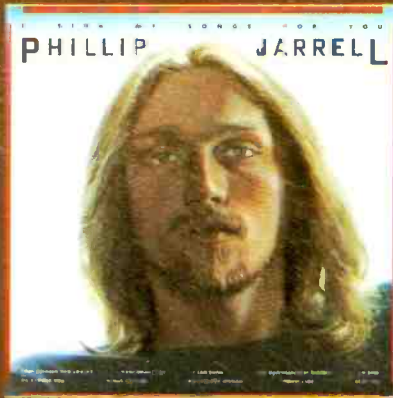
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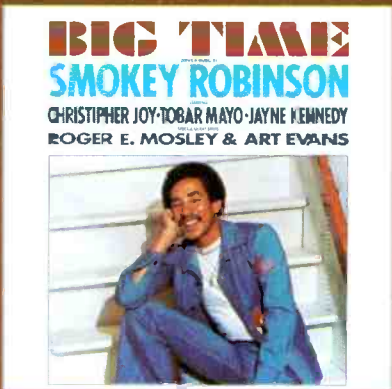
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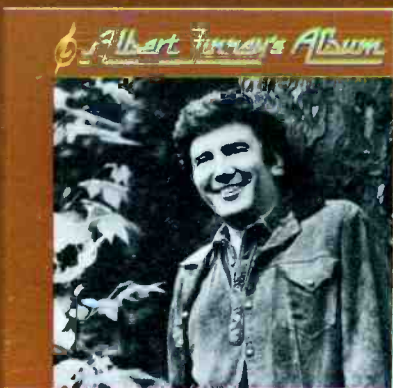
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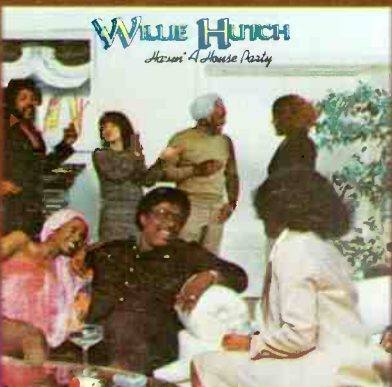
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"Albert Finney's Album" M6-889S1



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Willie Hutch
"Havin A House Party" M6-874S1



Dynamic Superiors
"Give & Take" ME-879S1



Charlene P6-10018S1

Fogelman Forecast: Strong Holiday Season

■ Lou Fogelman, president of Music Plus, forecasts a particularly good holiday selling season, predicting that the \$7.98 list price album may actually benefit sales figures.

"We've had enough \$7.98 releases now to know that the price will not squelch the sales of a good piece of product. Based on what has happened so far this year we feel it's going to be one helluva Christmas," stated Fogelman. The executive thinks that the price hike may help sales, "because you're going to get a dollar more per album than you did last year."

The higher lp price on many releases may assist merchandising in another manner, according to Fogelman. In contrast to past seasons, when tape and LP prices were at different levels, a uniform price on tape and lps "may really help, and we'll just continue to put the emphasis on coordinated prices, which we haven't been able to do in the past."

In contrast to some retailers who are ordering large numbers of extra titles, Fogelman will concentrate on an increase in numbers of titles ordered, rather than an increase in titles themselves.

"We try and keep a good strong balanced inventory all year long," observed Fogelman, "and I don't think we add any more titles at Christmas, because there is a lot of release as it is. We just order heavier quantities on most titles because of the fact that you're doing two month's worth of business in one month's time."

Although Fogelman is not altering his buying habits extensively, other than to increase the numbers on hot product, he does not rule out the possibility of strong cutout and budget-line sales.

"We'll capitalize on it anytime we get a list that has good product on it," claimed Fogelman, "and there again," he emphasized, "if somebody gives me a good list in September I'm going to buy it, perhaps a little heavier because Christmas is around the corner, but I would only buy it making sure that I have enough to cover me through Christmas. You're talking about the heaviest four months of the year right now."

In line with his policy of intelligent year-round buying, Fogelman is strengthening his import selection, "but it's in order to upgrade our overall position, and not just looking at Christmas," he observed. "We feel that imports are a very important part of the marketplace and we've done a lot, including sponsoring a radio show, to promote imports. We're always trying to increase our expertise in this field because of

the show, although I don't think imports play as much of a part during Christmastime as they do in normal selling periods, because people don't buy them unless they have a specific intention in mind."

"Still," Fogelman added, "with the amount of people you have coming in, you sell a lot of imports in addition to everything else. You sell a lot of headshop items too."

While Fogelman previously mentioned a coordinated tape and album merchandising effort, he noted that overall tape sales "have not changed that much," although "the market for prerecorded cassettes is growing, particularly for certain artists. Some artists have really captured the prerecorded cassette market and they sell in the same proportion

as 8-track. Barbra Streisand and Linda Ronstadt seem to sell very strongly," observed Fogelman. "Maybe it's the higher demographics that have this kind of playback equipment."

Christmas Music

Specialized Christmas music appears to Fogelman to be bottoming out. "I don't think Christmas product is in demand like it once was. There's no question about it. I'm not sure just why. There are some selections that help offset this, like Elvis and Streisand, but the vast selection isn't needed. You still need the heavyweights, but you don't sell things like Tennessee Ernie Ford like you used to."

While Christmas and seasonal music appears headed for a relative decline in comparison to pre-

vious years, Fogelman sees hit records as making strong seasonal impact. "You always have a tendency to believe that the albums and tapes that were hot during the year will experience good sales during the season," commented Fogelman, "but if there's 'THE' album or tape this year, we haven't seen it yet. Elvis, of course, will be selling at a more rapid rate than normal, but otherwise it will probably be the type of basic Christmas that we enjoy every year."

One significant factor in changing buyer's habits was noted by Fogelman in predicting a holiday surge. "Probably the biggest change that I've seen," observed Fogelman, "is the amount of people that give records and tapes as gifts . . . they're increasing all the time."

Red Seal Focuses on Operas

■ By the end of 1977 RCA Records will have released nine operas (twice as many as have been released by the company in any one year in the past decade) and a major portion of Red Seal's merchandising thrust will continue to be centered on major operatic productions.

Upcoming will be a major merchandising campaign on a new recording of Verdi's operatic Requiem with Sir Georg Solti conducting the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Chorus and featuring such major stars as Leontyne Price, Janet Baker, Veriano Luchetti and Jose Van Dam.

The major merchandising accessory will be a poster featuring the album cover, with a headline quoting the magnificent Chicago reviews of the performance which immediately preceded the recording.

The poster will be the centerpiece for window and in-store displays at the nation's major

classical outlets, tying in particularly with local engagements of the artists involved.

All of RCA's operas will be highlighted in a special October pre-Christmas campaign capitalizing on operatic engagements at the Metropolitan and city Operas in New York, the Chicago, San Francisco and other regional seasons.

Posters

Posters featuring major blow-ups of the likenesses of all Red Seal artists have been prepared for use in store displays, and there is an omnibus Gold Seal poster featuring major artists on that label.

To identify dealers handling classics, RCA has prepared a special poster and easel stand featuring RCA's famed Nipper and the caption, "We sell Classics." The poster has drawn wide dealer praise.

Ernest Gilbert, director of Red Seal merchandising, said: "Expo-

sure is the key to sales in the classical market. Displays of product, tied in with appearances and radio performances of recordings, are effective for all artists. For established artists, we have found that personal in-store appearances for autographings can be a definite plus, capable of moving great quantities of product. And, of course, interest always is highest when an artist has a local appearance and new product to sell at the same time."

Gilbert also noted that merchandising of established artists such as Vladimir Horowitz, Van Cliburn, Artur Schnabel and Julian Bream was important based on their catalogues even when new albums may not be available, and the determined development of RCA's new young artists, was also terribly important to his department's merchandising activities, and that each campaign was developed to get the most mileage out of each artist and his career.

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members this fall when the company will release albums by Glenn Miller, Chet Atkins, Benny Goodman, Arturo Toscanini, Nelson Eddy and Jeanette McDonald, and John McCormick.

But these are established artists, new acts, just getting their feet wet, will be subject to the same kind of individuality movement as their more established counterparts.

In coming months RCA Records will be releasing albums by many new and exciting acts. They too will be treated individually, to maximize the impact of their product.



There's Much In-Store for Atlantic

■ Monthly mini-campaigns encompassed by a huge end of year merchandising program head the list of what the Atlantic family has in store for fall 1977's extensive release schedule.

Once again, Atlantic is keying in on its successful formula of putting its greatest emphasis on in-store point-of-purchase materials, based primarily on the album graphics of these new releases, to insure total continuity and recognition on the part of the consumer. These aids include posters, easelbacks, streamers, wall, counter and mobile displays as well as special products.

To best coordinate the new release campaigns both on a consumer level and with retail store managers, Atlantic relies on the services of the WEA distribution network. Each month, just prior to its release, Atlantic's merchandising department produces an audio presentation focusing in on the major themes of the month's campaign, noting the merits of each new lp, and giving the WEA sales force a short preview of the new music. This assures WEA personnel a total familiarity of the selling points of Atlantic's music when they visit retail managers to ink orders.

Atlantic's merchandising director, George Salovich, took this tool one step further in September with a 30-minute multi-media audio visual presentation involving nine slide projectors and over 1000 slides. This show highlighted "Atlantic Night" at the recent WEA convention at the Diplomat Hotel in Hollywood, Fla.

Featured in the presentation

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active with new Curtom soundtracks from Curtis Mayfield ("Short Eyes") and Mavis Staples ("A Piece of the Action"), plus the recently released Bearsville albums by Foghat ("Live"), Utopia ("Oops! Wrong Planet"), and Nick Jameson ("Already Free"). New Sire albums already shipped this month include "Talking Heads '77," "Blank Generation" by Richard Hell & The Voidoids, "Young Loud and Snotty" by The Dead Boys and The Saints' "I'm Stranded."

Among the strong r&b releases this fall are Rose Royce's current Whitfield album, "In Full Bloom," the new Ashford & Simpson, "Send It," plus a new album from Bootsy's Rubber Band, Randy Crawford, as well as the Curtom soundtracks. The C&W releases this fall include the three big guns of Warner country, Donna Fargo, Buck Owens, and Rex

was Atlantic's introduction of a special album promotion involving new product by selected r&b artists. The program, entitled "Atlantic's Soular System," highlights the fact that this label's reputation was built on solid black product. And September, 1977 is no exception, with albums by Fantastic Four ("Got to Have Your Love"), Hot Chocolate ("10 Greatest Hits"), Ray Charles ("True to Life"), Temptations ("Hear to Tempt You"), Phillipe Wynne ("Starting All Over"), Ray Barretto ("Eye of the Beholder") and Narada Michael Walden ("I Cry, I Smile").

A special logo has been created for the "Soular System" and will be implemented in print for consumer and trade advertising,

Elektra/Asylum

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ger's "You're Moving Out Today."

Rabbitt

"Eddie Rabbitt, formerly chiefly

Licorice Pizza

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tard sales. The company will, however, feature some cutouts or budget merchandise during December and similarly stock an increased number of imports.

Additionally, the Licorice Pizza stores expect to sell increased amounts of general merchandise items. "Certain general merchandise items, in addition to records and tapes, make good gifts," stated Houghton, who added that he expected Christmas music to move well, as it traditionally has.

Allen, Jr. On the comedy front, the company is currently scoring with Steve Martin's debut album, "Let's Get Small."

Somers

Merchandising materials this fall will be extensive with merchandising efforts on individual albums backing WEA's collective effort. Adam Somers, director of merchandising, commented, "With our 4x4 (foam backed cover blow-up) series and the other display material we've made available, we're looking forward to saturation in-store exposure on all of our major releases in the coming season."

An extensive multi-media advertising campaign utilizing consumer and trade print, AM and FM radio, television and outdoor advertising is set to back up Warner Bros. in-store merchandising and national marketing efforts in the coming months.

with an in-store display and individual posters, and with a national contest involving r&b display and promotion personnel to be held later in the fall.

Rounding out the month's new releases to be backed by merchandising aids are Mark Farner, Steve Hillage ("Motivation Radio"), Jim Mullen and Dick Morrissey ("Up"), and Tom Powers ("Love and Learn").

In addition, comprehensive merchandising efforts are in full force for the recent releases from Atlantic and its custom labels: The Rolling Stones ("Love You Live"), Ringo ("Ringo the 4th"), Art Webb ("Love Eyes"), Pele, Jean-Luc Ponty ("Enigmatic Ocean"), Herbie Mann & Fire Island, Small Faces ("Playmates"), Danny Toan

a country music artist, has started to "cross over" into pop charts as a result of enormous hit singles in 1977, and the wider, general audience exposure he has gotten through television and special 'showcase' performances. Eddie was probably the chief beneficiary of our 'E/A Kicks In The Country' campaign. In addition, Vern Gosdin has established himself once again as a major country artist thanks to a few big hit singles, and the help of Mike Suttle, and our Nashville office.

Landmark

"Judy Collins' retrospective, "So Early In The Spring: The First Fifteen Years," was another landmark in her career. That record's success came from a mixture of merchandising, promotion and sales support that pulled it through the traditionally "soft" sales months of July and August."

"Another interesting result of our intensive marketing support for Linda Ronstadt's "Greatest Hits" and "Hasten Down The Wind" and the Eagles' "Greatest Hits" and "Hotel California" was their "reverse crossover." Although they are pop-based acts they sold heavily in country markets.

WEA Convention

Fall merchandising plans were presented at the recent WEA convention in Miami. An audio-visual presentation featuring Elektra/Asylum's past, present, and future releases was prepared by Walter Wanger and Tony Lane.

Steele also emphasized broad Nonesuch merchandising efforts slated for the fourth quarter, working with Nonesuch sales director Stan Schoen.

("First Serve") and Mike Theodore Orchestra ("Cosmic Wind").

The WEA Florida convention also brought to an official end Atlantic's "We've Got Your Music" campaign with the awarding of a trip for two anywhere in the world to a WEA salesperson and to a retail store manager. This national in-store campaign involved all Atlantic new product released from April to July. A huge contest involving display and sales people on the branch level as well as store managers was conducted. Prizes were awarded weekly to the most outstanding displays created at retail stores best depicting the "We've Got Your Music" theme. In all, over 200 prizes were awarded. Complemented by an in-store airplay program and with the cooperation of Atlantic's advertising forces, "We've Got Your Music" proved a huge success.

A similar program is on the drawing board for the end of the year. While details at this writing were still sketchy, a national contest is planned on the branch, retail and consumer level with the theme of the promotion involving the holiday season.

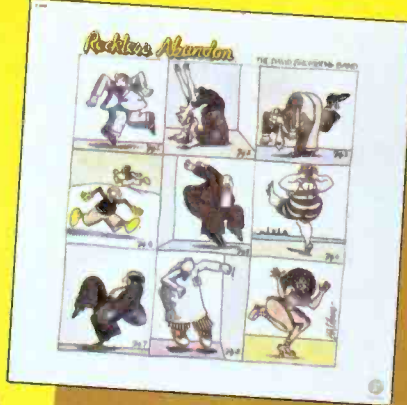
Another hot entity in the Atlantic family with a strong merchandising back-up is Alan O'Day and his recent Pacific release, "Appetizers." A massive in-store airplay campaign and contest is currently taking place at hundreds of retail shops around the country. A display contest involving four-color "Appetizers" posters, album jackets and chef's aprons gives store managers a chance to win some extra loot. These aprons with "Alan O'Day" and "Appetizers" emblazoned on them proved to be an effective tool for distribution to radio stations when the album first broke.

Another widely acclaimed merchandising aid on the store level has been the introduction of four-foot by four-foot foam back panels based on album art of new releases. These eye-catchers have been designed recently to correspond to new efforts by Firefall ("Luna Sea"), AC/DC ("Let There Be Rock"), Average White Band/Ben E. King ("Benny and Us"), Yes ("Going for the One"), Crosby, Stills and Nash ("CSN") and Foreigner. Much more of the same is planned as Atlantic introduces its new product for fall, 1977.

Atlantic's merchandising efforts have also been seen on stage in the form of 25-foot by six-foot sailcloth stage backdrop banners depicting the logos of selected artists on tour including Slave, Andy Pratt, AC/DC, Geils, Dave Edmonds and Foreigner.

GO BANANAS!

David Bromberg Band
Reckless Abandon
Fantasy F-9540



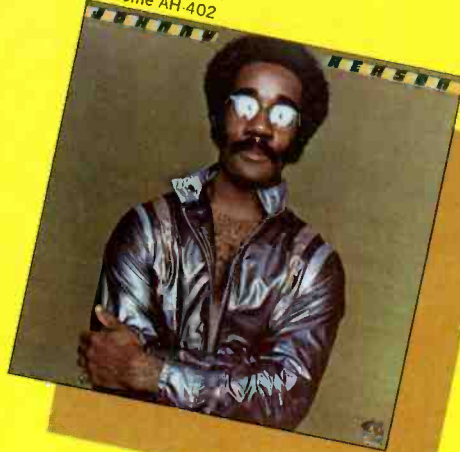
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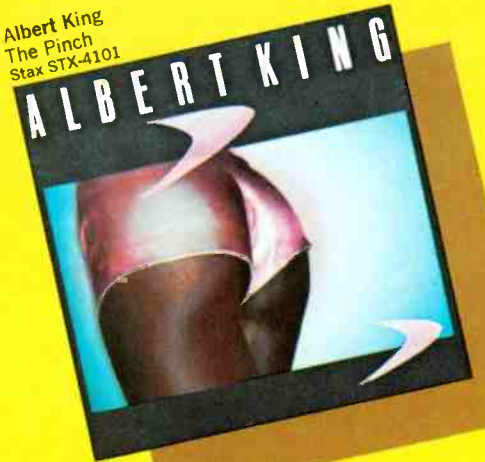
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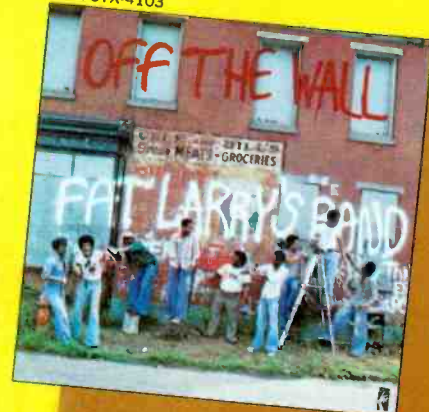
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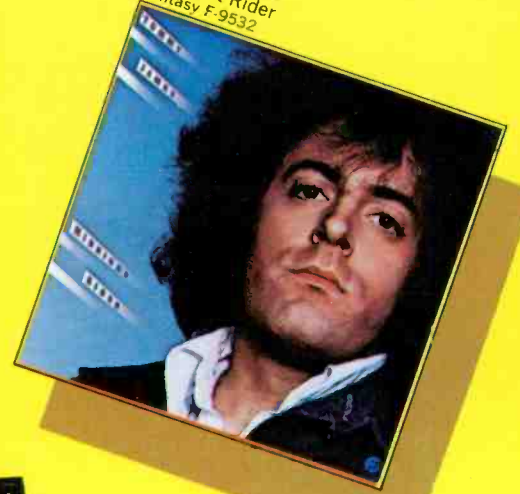
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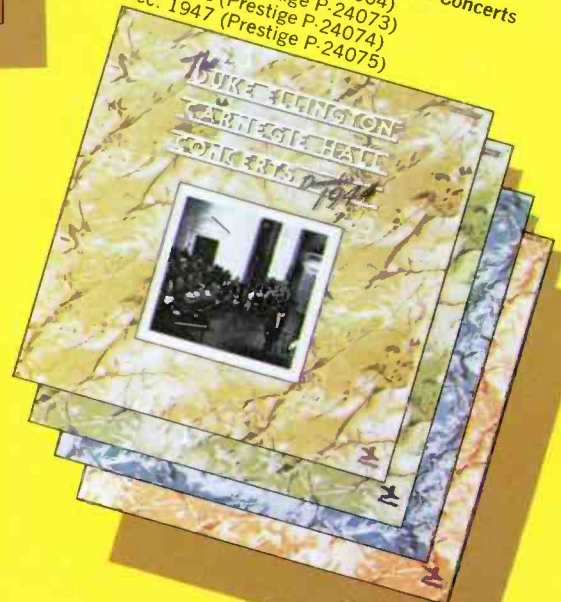
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The Great Concert of Cecil Taylor
Prestige P-34003



Cal Tjader
Guarabe
Fantasy F-9533



The Duke Ellington Carnegie Hall Concerts
Jan. 1943 (Prestige P-34004)
Dec. 1944 (Prestige P-24073)
Jan. 1946 (Prestige P-24074)
Dec. 1947 (Prestige P-24075)



Johnnie Taylor
Chronicle: The 20 Greatest Hits
Stax STX-88001



Fantasy/Prestige/Milestone/Stax

Retailers Gear Up for Holiday Season

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reasons: business is up just generally; second, there seems to be a larger surge of hot product by major artists more than at any other time I can recall.

Milliken: In a particular company like mine it depends a great deal on the product mix with regard to color. Last year there just wasn't a lot of heavy black albums. But this year Motown is talking about actually releasing a Stevie Wonder album and a Commodores album. Events like that, at Christmastime, can radically alter the performance of my company in the month of December.

Smolen: No, I think with more catalogue stores customers are looking for a broader mix of product. You can answer that question by finding out the kind of store they walk into. If they walk into a small record store that basically has the hits, they're obviously looking for the hits. They can walk into a full-line store looking for certain things but maybe will walk out having bought four or five things without buying what they were looking for. I think there's less emphasis now at Christmastime on the hit product and more emphasis on the catalogue. You're still going to have your 10 records that every kid in the world wants, but it's broadened out so much that you have tonnage on individual items.

Bergman: "We sell MOR better at Christmastime than we do during the rest of the year."

Apart from current hit product, what items do you expect to sell best during the holidays?

Bergman: The greatest hits albums for sure. The comedy albums, as I mentioned. We sell MOR better at Christmastime than we do during the rest of the year. At that time older people really shop our stores.

Bressi: Accessory lines. The higher priced tape storage cases. Novelty items such as the rock mirrors that are out right now. I think we're getting into more boutique type items this year.

Goody: I would hope that we have a number of very strong items hit the marketplace without any one item overshadowing all the others. When you have one item much bigger than all the others the total business doesn't go up as much as it should.

Karol: There seems to be a renaissance in show music, which includes not only soundtracks but original cast albums as well. There's been a tremendous renewed interest in classical music, especially opera. That's very helpful.

Keenan: I think a lot of live albums are going to sell. Certain catalogues of artists that are hot are going to pick up. There's no doubt in my mind that Elvis is going to be strong right on through to the first of the year. The success of Fleetwood Mac has just raised their catalogue to incredible heights.

Milliken: Essentially top 200. Hits are what I expect to sell. We do get some increase in catalogue sales, and clearly it's a nice and a profitable increase. But it's not as though the massive increase in our sales in December is produced by massive amounts of catalogue buying.

Smolen: Fleetwood Mac. Boz Scaggs I think will resurge. "Star Wars" will hold all the way through. I think soundtracks will do well. Comedy albums sell forever if they're good. But aside from Fleetwood Mac I really can't pick the big boost Christmas albums right now, and I usually can by this time.

Is the market for pre-recorded cassettes still growing? Are you going to feature these products prominently during this coming holiday season?

Bergman: Without a doubt. And we'll be featuring them prominently during the holiday season. We're trying more and more to merchandise tape with lps, particularly on the step-downs in front of our stores. We'll be doing more of that during the holidays.

Bressi: Yes, absolute. How to feature cassettes is a very big problem for us. We're finding out store space is just jammed right now. As you may know, we have all of our tapes in long boxes. We haven't solved the problem yet. With cassettes continuing to grow and 8-tracks selling well, we're finding more and more of our selling space is devoted to tape, and the way we merchandise tape takes up quite a bit of space. I'm not sure what we're going to do.

Goody: It seems to be. The cassette business, though, while it has been increasing, is still less than 8-track. We won't be featuring cassettes any more than we usually do. We bend with the wind: if something becomes strong we feature it. Beyond that it's up to the individual store what is done to feature cassette tapes.

Karol: Yeah, very fast. Pre-recorded cassettes sales are increasing rapidly.

Keenan: Very definitely. Some of our stores are hitting 50 percent to 60 percent of tapes sales in cassettes. We're doing more and more with putting tapes out so people can view them and touch them. We think the Capitol "Touch Me" program is a step in the right direction. A lot more could be done to make it better, but I wish all tapes were that way so that we wouldn't have to have locked boxes. Everything could be put in record racks. I think that's a tremendous idea.

Dobin: It's growing. We've just for the first time added cassettes to our print ads. Previously we've had albums and 8-tracks advertised, and now we're going to experiment with cassette items included in sales. The ratio of 8-tracks to cassette sales is narrowing very quickly.

Milliken: Yes. No. I feature them as prominently as I can imagine featuring them, and I can tell you that's behind glass. I do not put them out for people to touch, because I like to touch them after they touch them.

Smolen: It's booming for us. I don't think we'll do any special merchandising for cassettes. Cassettes are featured in long boxes right in front of the store.

Has the market for Christmas records bottomed out? Are these goods selling consistently to a fairly stable market?

Bergman: They are as a matter of fact. It's hard to see trends because Christmasses are so far apart, but I think Christmas product is starting to back up. We sold more last Christmas than we had sold in a long time.

Bressi: Last year we had a banner year in Christmas merchandise. Obviously the same ones are selling, but the pricing is so fantastic that people are buying them up. All the major label goods are out in the stores for \$2.99.

Goody: Christmas records present every year a new question for us. One year they're very strong, another year they're very weak. There is no consistency. It depends on many factors. For instance, the Christmas spirit in general: people thinking about Christmas and what it represents. Also, the product being issued is a factor. Some of it gets played out after awhile, some of it never gets played out. Some of the new product is really super. It's something that's different every year.

Karol: We sold an awful lot of Christmas records last year. This year we left some of the more popular Christmas records in our bins and even though they haven't been running out of here we have sold some small amount. With this Presley situation, we have some Presley Christmas records and they're selling. I don't know if it's because of some memorial to Presley or if they're being stockpiled in people's homes for Christmas, but they are selling.

Karol: "Pre-recorded cassette sales are increasing rapidly."

Keenan: It seems so. I don't think it's going to get any smaller. There's a lot of marginal things out there, though, that are still being released as Christmas albums. I noticed last year that the number of titles sold dwindled in terms of quantity.

Milliken: We noticed last year in fact that there was some bottoming out. But again, we're in a predominantly black business and things like the Jackson Five Christmas album sells when it's available. When it's not available you may say that Christmas records have bottomed out—not just that records but records of that type.

Smolen: Up until the last couple of years Christmas records were cyclical. You'd have one big year and then two or three lean years, then you'd have another big year. But since they dropped prices on the majority of Christmas records I think those items will do very, very well.

Dobin: I certainly think they're leveling off. Good proof of that is
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CBS Gears Up For 'Super' Holidays

Diversity at Columbia

By DON DEMPSEY

■ This year, Columbia Records has addressed itself to every imaginable musical category with explosive singles and album chart positions, and all-time unit levels for the artists involved.

Here are some parallels, with our effort on "Star Is Born," being blessed with over four million units, we will follow this fall with the Paramount Pictures soundtrack to "Looking For Mr. Goodbar." This movie will be one of the most heralded success stories of the year, and we have an album that is loaded with hits, with the theme music written especially for the movie by our own Bill Withers.

Broadway

On Broadway, we followed the close to gold, "Chorus Line" cast album, with the musical, "Annie," and that little lady has a gold glint in her eyes.

Our opportunities on television this fall will be enhanced by specials featuring Neil Diamond and Paul Simon. Paul will have as special guests, Art Garfunkel, Chevy Chase and Lily Tomlin. Neil, Art and Paul will all have new releases in the market to

support their appearances. There are three or four other TV specials that we are excited about that are going to present our industry and artists in prime-time slots, which will be viewed by us as unusual marketing opportunities.

Streisand

Barbra Streisand's "Superman" has established the premier female singer in the world as a sure recording artist sans the old belief of a required movie vehicle. Barbra is now experiencing the highest unit sales in her career with very active plans to continue her recording activity.

Our artist development process experienced an "emotional lift," as the Emotions crashed through the top 40 format and is headed toward platinum single success to go with their already platinum album.

Kenny Loggins and Dave Mason are moving toward gold record status with their current release, and our current successes with Lake, Pierce Arrow, Artful Dodger, Rex, Pockets, Starwood, (Continued on page 34)

Milestone Year for Epic

By JIM TYRRELL

■ The fourth quarter of 1977 will be the most exciting quarter in the history of Epic/Portrait/Associated Labels. On December 31, we will have completed a record-breaking year with billings in 1977 two and a half times greater than the total registered by us in 1975.

There are several important factors that have contributed to this success. We have developed a roster of bestselling superstars, groups and artists like Boston, Ted Nugent, Heart, Burton Cummings, Kansas on Kirshner Records, the Isley Brothers, the O'Jays, Lou Rawls all on Philadelphia International Records, and Dan Fogelberg on Full Moon/Epic. All of these acts have delivered gold albums with their last releases, and in most cases, that gold became platinum. "Left-overture" by Kansas became double platinum this year, and Boston is, well . . . Boston.

This is the season for promoting bestsellers, and we will support our superstars with a third generation of support materials, such as larger posters that include hard-sell copy of Heart, Ted Nugent, Kansas, and the Isley Brothers.

These multi-million unit albums are getting an additional sales surge because the holiday season shopper is looking for something that he is confident in the popularity of. We want to have the necessary materials to assist the dealer in getting that additional

sale. Toward that goal, we have created a set of merchandising concepts that will be carried over into local advertising in both print and radio, promoting rock 'n' roll. We have tried to convey in the spots and ads and posters, the energy and intensity of that genre of music. Consequently, the phrase "revved-up rock" will be utilized as the catch line, and there is an illustration matching that phrase that we will employ. This could be very effective, especially with color posters at point of sale.

In addition to our superstars, we have several new groups that are on the verge of breaking through to stardom: Starcastle; Cheap Trick; Heatwave; Ram Jam; and Crawler. This group of acts represents an area of artist development in which we have had success during 1977, namely breaking new groups or artists through to major sales levels on the first albums and sustaining that momentum through subsequent album releases. Merchandising is a key component of that success, but at E/P/A we integrate the merchandising function with other contributing departments to achieve our goal.

We coordinate the efforts of all departments—promotion, advertising, artist development, publicity, and merchandising—to effect the desired end-result. The timing for implementing any one or all (Continued on page 32)

Paul Smith

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very often does read the local paper. It has an attraction for him.

"Another new area is high school papers which have been tremendously hard to deal with. We've now, through our in-house agency and the help of our advertising consultant, come up with a way to buy high school newspapers the same way we can deal with suburban papers. This allows us the ability to use teasers. If we wanted to announce that Arrow-smith's new album will be available Oct. 15, we could announce it two weeks in front and it should have the same impact as when ticket sales are announced. Those are just a few of the new things we're trying."

The Winning Season campaign is being launched just weeks after the closing of the "Summer Salathon" marketing program that Smith calls "the most successful campaign in our history. The new campaign is tied to a football theme and all our advertising will carry that theme from now through the balance of the year. The consumer will have identification because he's heard about

The Winning Season and because the product will be available at sale price. The Salathon proved that kind of thematic approach can be very successful."

The new campaign will also take advantage of several new marketing techniques.

"We're always testing new methods of merchandising and advertising," Smith said "and continually seeking out all possible approaches to broaden the audience for our artists. We're really only beginning to find how many ways there are.

Fall Program

"The program we've got for this fall is intended to take full advantage of what our customers tell us, what the consumer tells us directly and indirectly. We're always experimenting with new approaches to the consumer and it's working, it's working beautifully. This campaign is by far our most ambitious ever, involving many millions of dollars and more dollars than we've ever spent before. But then our business is much greater than it's ever been before."



GENE HARRIS
"Tone Tantrum"
BN-LA760-H

MANCHILD
"Power and Love"
CH-LA765-G

EARL KLUGH
"Finger Paintings"
BN-LA737-H

THE ORIGINAL ANIMALS
"Before We Were So Rudely Interrupted"
JT-LA790-H

THE TIM WEISBERG BAND
"The Tim Weisberg Band"
UA-LA773-G

RONNIE LAWS
"Friends and Strangers"
BN-LA730-H

WAR
"PLATINUM JAZZ"
EN-LA690-J

KENNY ROGERS
"Daytime Friends"
UA-LA754-G

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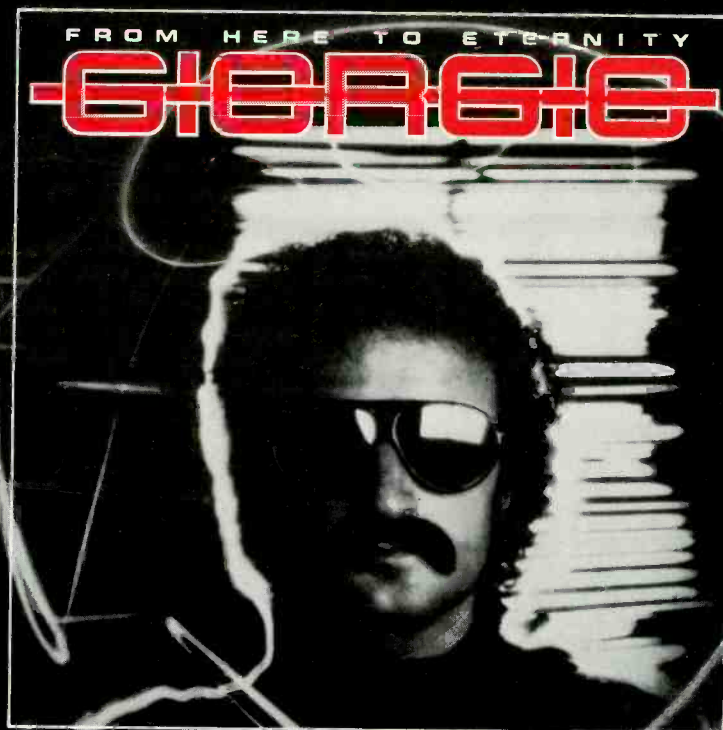
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New York, N.Y.

By DAVID McGEE and BARRY TAYLOR

■ While Stiff's CBS deal did appear to be on the verge of being signed two weeks ago, it was not. Sources close to the company advised us not to reveal the impending likelihood of such a pact while others were printing second and third hand information for reasons which were made obvious to N.Y., N.Y. last week. After approximately one very successful year as a U.K. record company in which time the tiny operation grew impressively while succeeding in drawing the attention of the entire music industry—on both sides of the Atlantic—two of the principals, **Jake Riviera** and **Dave Robinson** have terminated their business relationship on an amicable basis. Robinson, it was learned, will now maintain his interests in the careers of **Graham Parker and the Rumour**, **Clover** and the **Damned** in addition to the Stiff Records label while Riviera will exit the company, taking with him, **Elvis Costello** and **Nick Lowe**. This means that neither of those artists will be contracted to Stiff for representation anywhere in the world. An announcement regarding a future label affiliation for Costello and Lowe is expected in the near future and Columbia should not be ruled out. Meanwhile, "Hits Greatest Stiffs," ("contains no hit single whatsoever") a collection of the label's early singles and b-sides has been released in the U.K. this week and includes Lowe's "Heart Of the City," an early Costello b-side "Radio Sweetheart," the Damned's "Help" and tracks by **Plummet Airlines**, the **Tyla Gang** and **Motorhead**.

SIGHT FOR SORE EYES/IT'S A LONG TIME NO SEE: There's nothing quite so gratifying as seeing promises fulfilled. Which is what happened Wednesday night at Carnegie Hall when **Jane Olivior**, first reviewed in these pages some two years ago, put a spell on a standing room only audience. We could not help thinking back, as we witnessed four standing ovations and three encores, to a time of endless late night shows in smoke-filled New York cabarets able to accommodate only a handful of customers; back to a time when this lady was struggling and taking all the risks a young performer takes in honing a style that will be both individual and compelling. Sometimes she fell flat, most of the time she succeeded, and always she was redeemed by a voice of eloquent beauty. Well, that was then and this is now. Things have changed, and changed for the better, for Jane Olivior. The singer we saw at Carnegie Hall is a star. She looks like a star; she carries herself like a star. And the command with which she delivers her material indicates that she will become a more formidable presence than anyone can imagine at this point. We find it heartening to know that in an age when passion is oftentimes manufactured, someone is succeeding by being true to her feelings, without compromising the vision that was so striking at the outset of her career. Such is the stuff of dreams. Welcome home.

EARL McGRATH WILL TAKE AWAY OUR CLATTERING TEETH IF WE DON'T WRITE ABOUT THE ROLLING STONES PARTY AT TRAX: Okay Earl, we were there, so were the **Stones** and a million and one flashbulbs; the hamburgers were good the chili blew; the videotape of the Stones in concert, past and present, was entertaining; dwarf off the starboard bow; **Andy Warhol** was there; **Obie** was there, and that's more important; **Miami Steve** was there; the

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Gross Gathering



Lifesong recording artist **Henry Gross** recently completed an engagement at New York's Bottom Line. Cause for celebration was doubled because Lifesong Records recently joined the Associated Labels family of CBS Records. Shown backstage after a Henry Gross performance are (from left): **Tony Martell**, vice president and general manager, Associated Labels; **Bruce Lundvall**, president, CBS Records Division; **Terry Cashman**, co-principal, Lifesong Records; **Henry Gross**; **Ron Alexenburg**, senior vice president, Epic/Portrait/Associated Labels; **Tommy West**, co-principal, Lifesong Records; **Phil Kurnit**, executive vice president, Lifesong Records; and **Jack Craig**, senior vice president and general manager, marketing, CBS Records.

CONCERT REVIEW

High Energy from Pendergrass, Houston

■ LOS ANGELES — Rhythm and blues artists **Teddy Pendergrass** (Phila Intl.) and **Thelma Houston** (Tamla) gave a night of high energy to an enthusiastic crowd Wednesday (14) night at the Hollywood Bowl.

Opener **Thelma Houston's** set ably displayed her versatility as a singer and performer. She opened with the classic standard, "Come Back to Me," moving through a medley of songs from her earlier albums. Better known for her more recent disco recordings, the artist got her biggest response from her disco hit, "Don't Leave Me This Way;" another highlight of her set was a tribute to the blues, particularly **Bessie Smith**, whom Houston announced she will be playing in an upcoming movie.

Although best known for her disco hits, Houston proved she was equally at home with ballads and gospel. It was a well-paced, varied set from a dynamic entertainer.

Unfortunately, headliner **Teddy Pendergrass** did not fare as well. Handicapped by technical problems, Pendergrass' set was unable to maintain the momentum so important to a successful performance. Pendergrass' adoring fans didn't seem to care, however.

Pendergrass played on that adulation to the hilt. From the dedication of "This One's For You" to the heavily sexual tenor of his material Wednesday night, he had the audience eating out of his hand.

Pendergrass follows the formula laid down by **Barry White**—an elaborate stage production with orchestra and dancers, the "Teddy Bears," with a heavy overtone of sex—a formula which works well with his smokey vocals.

In spite of the technical problems and a poor sound mix Pendergrass succeeded in giving his fans exactly what they came for.

Annie Jones

Foreigner in New Jersey



Atlantic recording group **Foreigner**, whose debut tour is now in its sixth month, hit the northeastern U.S. recently for three SRO shows in as many nights: at Philadelphia's 20,000 seat Spectrum, at the Capitol Theatre in Passaic, N.J. (broadcast live over WNEW-FM) and at Fairleigh-Dickenson University. The album, "Foreigner," was certified platinum by the RIAA in August and has thus far yielded two hit singles. Shown above backstage following the Passaic concert are, from left: WNEW-FM's **Richard Neer** and **Pat Dawson**; Foreigner's **Lou Gramm**, **Ed Gagliardi** and **Mick Jones**; group manager **Bud Prager**; and **Dennis Elliott**, **Ian McDonald** and **Al Greenwood** of Foreigner.

"YOU LIGHT UP MY LIFE"

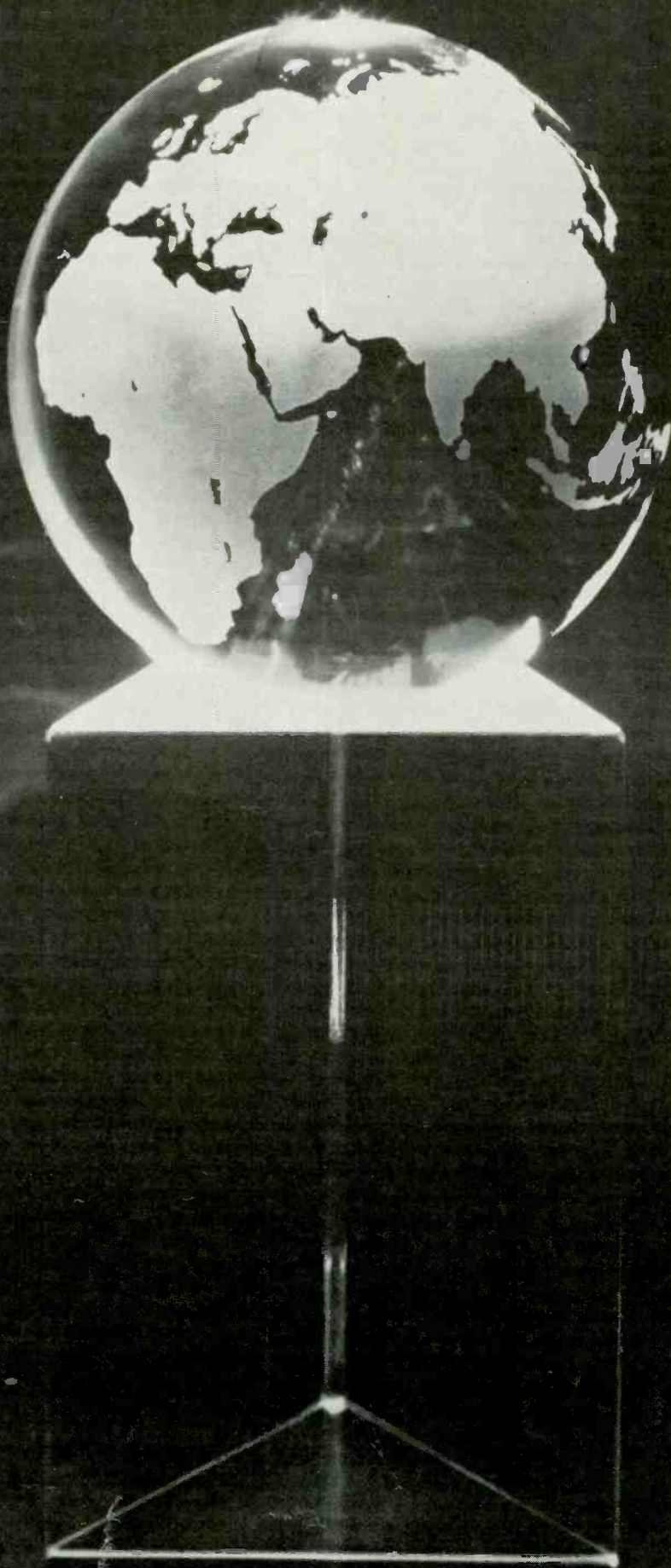
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Blue Bayou (E-45431) is already a proven hit with bullets on all charts. But Radio and the public are insisting that It's So Easy (E-45438) is a major hit as well. Therefore, for the first time in our history, we're releasing two separate hit singles by the same artist at the same time.



Linda Ronstadt

Both singles from the Platinum album, Simple Dreams (6E-104) Produced by Peter Asher



THE RADIO MARKE

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Based on airplay and sales in similar behavioral a

Stations:

RW I

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WICC WIFI WKBW WPEZ WPGC WPRO-FM
WQAM WRKO WTIC-FM WVBF KDON KFRC
KYA KYNO Y100 13Q 14ZYQ 96X 99X

RW II

WAAY WABB WAIR WAKY WANS WAUG
WBBQ WFLB WGLF WGSV WHBQ WHHY
WISE WLAC WLOF WMAK WORD WQXI
WRFC WRJZ WSGA WSGN BJ 105 98Q Z93
KXX/106 94Q

RW III

WCOL WDRQ WLS WMET WNDE WOKY
WSAI WZUU WZZP KBEQ KSLQ KXOK
CKLW Q102

Tendency:

Strong R & B influence. Last on Country hits, strong retail influence, MOR potential.

Early on product, strong sales influence from both R & B and Country records.

Much exposure for Rock & Roll. R & B crossovers active. Late on MOR product & Country.

Last Week: This Week:

1	1	Star Wars (Meco)
3	2	KC & The Sunshine Band
4	3	Carly Simon
9	4	Debby Boone
5	5	Heatwave
2	6	Andy Gibb
6	7	Fleetwood Mac
8	8	Shaun Cassidy
7	9	Emotions
10	10	Stephen Bishop
12	11	Donna Summer
11	12	ELO
16	13	Commodores
13	14	Foreigner
14	15	Floater
15	16	Rita Coolidge (old)
17	17	Brothers Johnson
23	18	Chicago
20	19	Ronnie McDowell
18	20	Johnny Rivers
A	21	Barry White
19	22	Steve Miller
25	23	Dorothy Moore
22	24	Alan O'Day
A	25	Dave Mason

Adds: Eric Carmen
Firefall
Crystal Gayle

Extras: B. J. Thomas
Paul Nicholas
Seals & Crofts
Rita Coolidge

LP Cuts: Linda Ronstadt (Easy)
Fleetwood Mac (Lovin')

Also Possible: Leif Garrett
Bee Gees
Babys
Crosby, Stills & Nash
LRB

Last Week: This Week:

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10	4	Debby Boone
6	5	Carly Simon
7	6	Commodores
8	7	Donna Summer
11	8	Shaun Cassidy
5	9	Heatwave
4	10	Elvis Presley
17	11	Dave Mason
15	12	Crystal Gayle
9	13	Floater
12	14	Brothers Johnson
13	15	ELO
16	16	Foreigner
14	17	Emotions
18	18	Andy Gibb
20	19	Johnny Rivers
29	20	Rita Coolidge
19	21	Fleetwood Mac
21	22	Commodores (old)
23	23	Ronnie Milsap
A	24	Sanford-Townsend
A	25	Chicago
28	26	Steve Miller
30	27	Brick
A	28	Barry White
A	29	Firefall
A	30	Eric Carmen

Adds: Bee Gees

Extras: Jimmy Buffett
James Taylor
Linda Ronstadt (Blue)
Barry Manilow

LP Cuts: ARS (Georgia)

Also Possible: Paul Davis
Babys
England Dan
Leo Sayer

Last Week: This Week:

8	1	Debby Boone
4	2	Star Wars (Meco)
3	3	KC & The Sunshine Band
1	4	Shaun Cassidy
5	5	Carly Simon
2	6	Emotions
6	7	Andy Gibb
7	8	Foreigner
9	9	Fleetwood Mac
10	10	ELO
13	11	Peter Frampton
14	12	Heatwave
11	13	Johnny Rivers
15	14	Donna Summer
12	15	Rita Coolidge (old)
17	16	Steve Miller
18	17	Stephen Bishop
26	18	Barry White
20	19	Ronnie McDowell
22	20	Peter Brown
21	21	Commodores
24	22	Eric Carmen
23	23	Ted Nugent
29	24	Firefall
16	25	Shaun Cassidy (old)
19	26	James Taylor (old)
28	27	Alan Parsons
A	28	Chicago
27	29	Alan O'Day
25	30	B. J. Thomas

Adds: Rita Coolidge
Crystal Gayle

Extras: Dave Mason
Paul Nicholas

LP Cuts: Foghat (I)

Also Possible: Rose Royce
Lake

Hottest:

Rock 'n' Roll:

Linda Ronstadt (Easy)

Adult:

Bee Gees

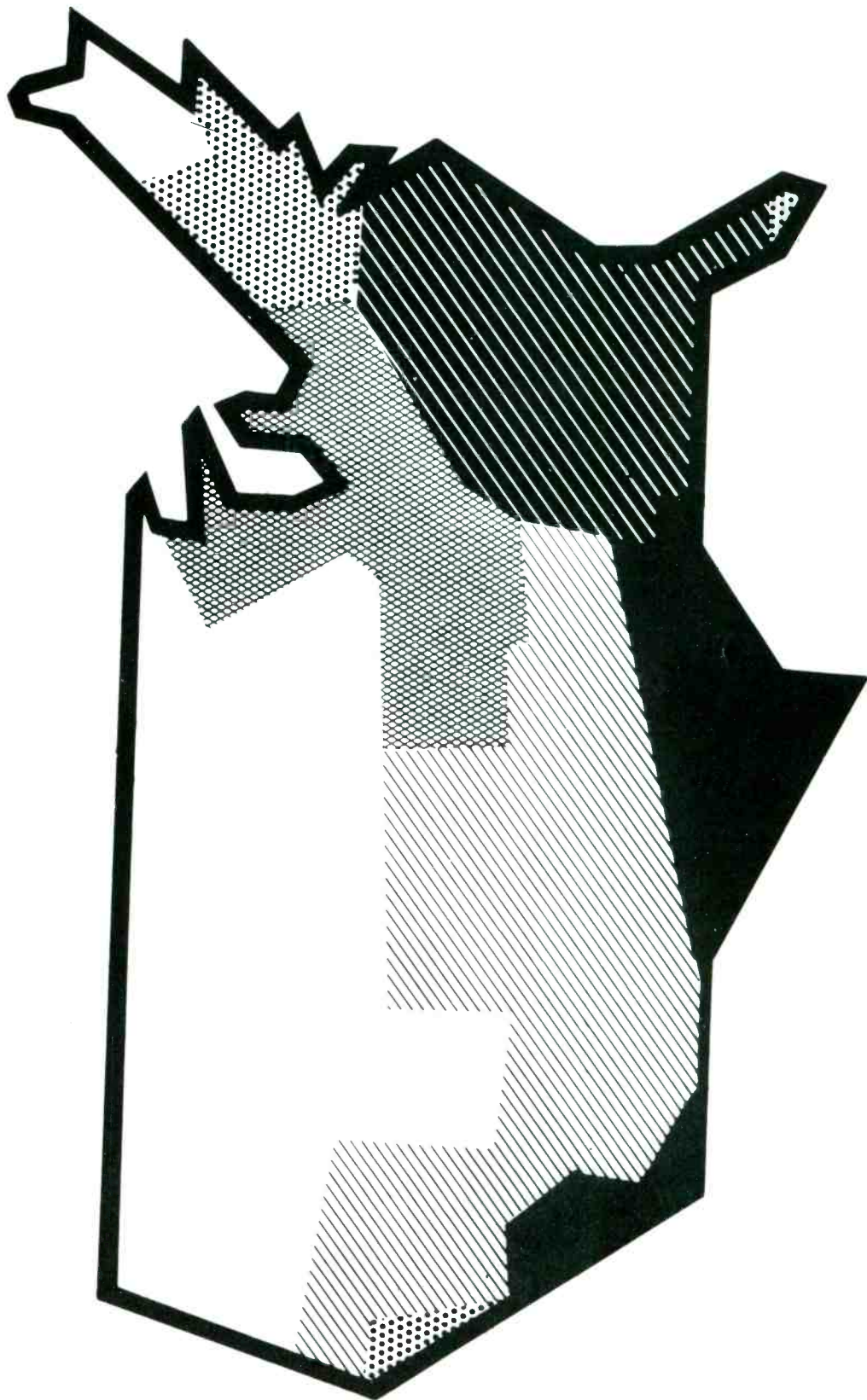
R&B Crossovers:

Rose Royce

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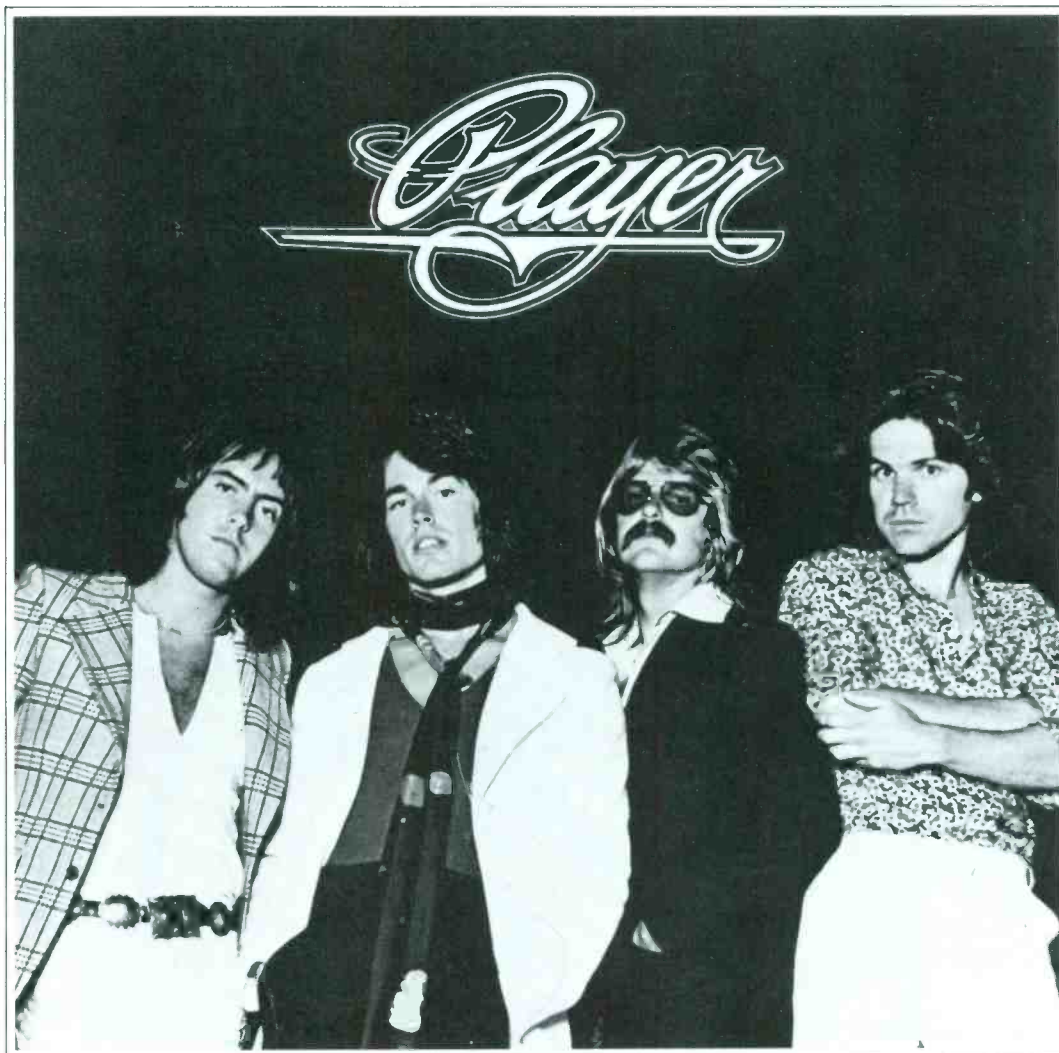
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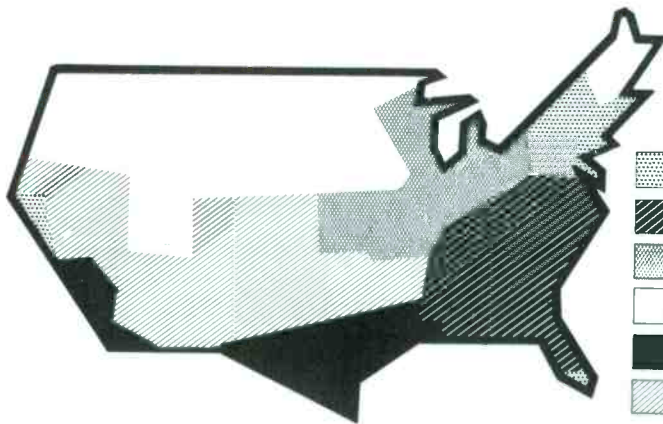
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- RW I
- RW II
- RW III
- RW IV
- RW V
- RW VI

Stations:

RW IV

WEAQ WGUY WJBQ WJON WOW WSPT
KCPI-FM KCPX KDWB KEWI KFYR KGW
KING KJR KJRB KKLS KKXL KLEO KSTP
KTOQ KVOX

RW V

WNOE WTIK KCBQ KERN KFI KHFI KHJ
KIIS-FM KILT KNOE KRBE KSLY B100 K100
10Q

RW VI

KAAY KAKC KLIF KLUE KRIZ KNUS KTLK
KXXK Z97

Tendency:

Pop sounding records, late on R & B cross-overs, consider Country crossovers semi-early, react to influence of racks and juke boxes.

R & B and Country influences, will test records early, good retail coverage.

Racked area, late on R&B product, strong MOR influences.

Last Week:	This Week:
3	1 KC & The Sunshine Band
1	2 Johnny Rivers
4	3 Debby Boone
2	4 Star Wars (Meco)
6	5 Carly Simon
7	6 Foreigner
5	7 ELO
8	8 Andy Gibb
18	9 Crystal Gayle
12	10 Ronnie McDowell
9	11 James Taylor (old)
13	12 Shaun Cassidy
10	13 Fleetwood Mac
11	14 Rita Coolidge (old)
14	15 Sanford-Townsend
15	16 Alan O'Day
16	17 Stephen Bishop
17	18 B. J. Thomas
19	19 Commodores (old)
20	20 Leo Sayer
21	21 Emotions
A	22 Chicago
24	23 Eric Carmen
25	24 Ronnie Milsap
A	25 Rita Coolidge

Adds: Dave Mason

Extras: Heatwave
Judy Collins
Paul Nicholas
Bee Gees
Firefall

LP Cuts: Jimmy Buffett (Changes)
Linda Ronstadt (Easy)

Also Possible: Pablo Cruise
Carpenters
Donna Summer
Styx
James Taylor

Last Week:	This Week:
1	1 Star Wars (Meco)
2	2 KC & The Sunshine Band
7	3 Debby Boone
5	4 Commodores (Brick)
8	5 Donna Summer
9	6 Carly Simon
3	7 Emotions
4	8 Andy Gibb
6	9 James Taylor
10	10 Stephen Bishop
11	11 Foreigner
12	12 Shaun Cassidy
16	13 Heatwave
13	14 Fleetwood Mac
14	15 Commodores (old)
15	16 Steve Miller
17	17 Brothers Johnson
15	18 Steve Miller
19	19 Johnny Rivers
20	20 Leif Garrett
Ex	21 Linda Ronstadt (Both)
22	22 Peter Frampton (Signed)
23	23 Ronnie McDowell
A	24 Chicago
25	25 Paul Nicholas

Adds: Barry White
Crystal Gayle

Extras: Little River Band
Dave Mason

LP Cuts: Fleetwood Mac (Lovin')
Foghat (I)

Also Possible: Eric Carmen
Rita Coolidge
Bee Gees

Last Week:	This Week:
2	1 Johnny Rivers
1	2 Fleetwood Mac
3	3 Stephen Bishop
4	4 James Taylor
6	5 Brothers Johnson
15	6 Debby Boone
5	7 Andy Gibb
10	8 Foreigner
7	9 Carly Simon
8	10 KC & The Sunshine Band
9	11 Pablo Cruise
12	12 Leo Sayer
14	13 Star Wars (Meco)
11	14 Heart
18	15 Peter Frampton
13	16 Emotions
16	17 Crosby, Stills & Nash
17	18 ELO
19	19 Rita Coolidge (old)
A	20 Donna Summer
21	21 B. J. Thomas
22	22 Peter Frampton (old)
A	23 Chicago
23	24 Barry Manilow
27	25 Commodores (Brick)
24	26 Bay City Rollers
20	27 Alan O'Day

Adds: Ronnie Milsap
Firefall
Judy Collins

Extras: Eric Carmen
Rita Coolidge
Heatwave
Crystal Gayle

LP Cuts: Steve Miller (Swing)

Also Possible: Dave Mason
Carpenters
Bee Gees

Hottest:

Country Crossovers:
Merle Haggard

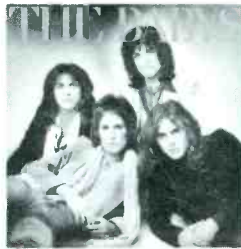
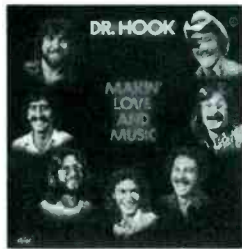
Teen:
None

LP Cuts:
Fleetwood Mac (Lovin')

MAKIN' LOVE AND MUSIC

DR. HOOK—Capitol ST1632 (6.98)

The combination of the group and producer/musical director Ron Haffkin, has resulted in several notable hits (the latest of which, "Walk Right In" is included here) and the successful pairing stands to enjoy several more through this set. "Making Love and Music" and "What A Way To Go" are possible singles.



BROKEN HEART

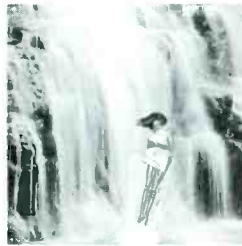
THE BABYS—Chrysalis CHR 1150 (7.98)

After a debut that suggested a young, volatile rock outfit, the group has suddenly bloomed with this second lp. Strings and female vocalists are a couple of obvious differences in their sound, but as several listens will reveal, the songwriting has matured and should provide a more lasting quality.

MAGIC IS A CHILD

NEKTAR—Polydor PD-1-6115 (6.98)

The group was swept to these shores along with the progressive wave from Germany, but they are, in fact, about as far removed from that style as possible. A new line-up, record label and sound should serve to reintroduce the band to an American audience.



THE MOTORS

Virgin PZ 34924 (CBS) (6.98)

Not so much new wave as it is high energy rock and roll, the Motors are charged by two former members of Ducks Deluxe, Nick Garvey (guitar) and Andy McMaster (bass). Producer Robert John Lange places the emphasis on simplicity and the British quartet's slashing rhythms take the place of intricate solos. Listen to "Dancing the Night Away."

LIVE

GOLDEN EARRING—MCA 2 8009

Holland's contribution to rock and roll comes by way of this perennial group that reaches back for some of their most popular album tracks with "Candy's Going Bad," "To The Hilt" and the extended "Eight Miles High." Clocking in at twelve minutes, "Radar Love" still stands as one of their best songs.



GONE TO EARTH

BARCLAY JAMES HARVEST—MCA 2302 (6.98)

After a full ten years, the group is still going strong under the leadership of John Lees. His "Hymn" is one of his stronger compositions of late while "Poor Mans Moody Blues" answers those who have used that tag to describe the band. "Taking Me Higher" is another highlight.

TAKING IT ALL IN STRIDE

SILVERADO—RCA APL1-2421 (6.98)

Buzz Goodwin and Carl Shillo comprise this duo whose breezy, harmonious sound should prove an instant favorite with programmers. Whispering vocals and a country rock feel suggest the commercial side of groups like Firefall and songs like "Don't Hang On" and "Hide Your Love" should indeed find top 40 play.



PORTFOLIO

GRACE JONES—Island ILPS 9470 (7.98)

Touted as one of the more important new personalities to emerge from out of the disco circuit, this model turned singer turns several new standards into personal statements. With songs from "Annie" and "Chorus Line" in addition to several scintillating originals, she should score in a big way.

CHASING RAINBOWS

JANE OLIVOR—Columbia PC 34917 (6.98)

A new producer, Tom Catalano, has given this songstress a new outlook. Her ability to turn a song into a moving experience is a talent which puts Olivor in the company of a select few who share the gift. The choice of material on her second lp is first rate from "I'm Always Chasing Rainbows" to "Lalena."



BUNDLE OF JOY

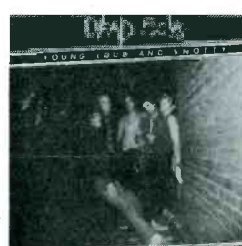
FREDDIE HUBBARD—Columbia JC 34902 (7.98)

Producer Bert DeCoteaux has assembled a formidable line-up of musicians to surround Hubbard's trumpet work. The emphasis is on lilting instrumental work which should go a long way in breaking Hubbard before a wider audience with the title song and "Portrait Of Jenny."

YOUNG, LOUD AND SNOTTY

DEAD BOYS—Sire SR 6038 (WB) (6.98)

The title of the group's debut lp (produced by Genya Ravan) pretty much sums up their stance. Often referred to as America's answer to the Damned, they blast off with "Sonic Reducer" and "All This and More" and highlight the set with the Syndicate of Sound's "Hey Little Girl," recorded live.



NETWORK

Epic 34979 (6.98)

Bee Gees producers Albhy Galuten and Karl Richardson worked on the album for the group and the first lp under Tommy Mottola's pact with the label. With the septet's strong vocal interplay, comparisons should be made to Hall and Oates with "Without You," "You Lied" and "Save Me, Save Me."

YOU'RE THE ONLY DANCER

JACKIE DeSHANNON—Amherst AMH 1010 (6.98)

DeShannon's comeback lp last year proved to be an artistic success rather than a commercial one, but hopefully her audience will catch up with her with this latest collection of new material. A significant songwriter on her own, she also excels with material by Parker McGee and the brothers Gibb.



SHOT IN THE DARK

BILL QUATEMAN—RCA APL1-2434 (6.98)

Quateman's second for the label crosses rock with urban soul for a palatable pop sound. "Wait Until Tomorrow" for example, brings out a blues element in the Jimi Hendrix song and combines it with a rock undercurrent which turns the tune into a personal statement. Other songs are original or penned with Caleb Quaye.

LEO SAYER

THUNDER IN MY HEART



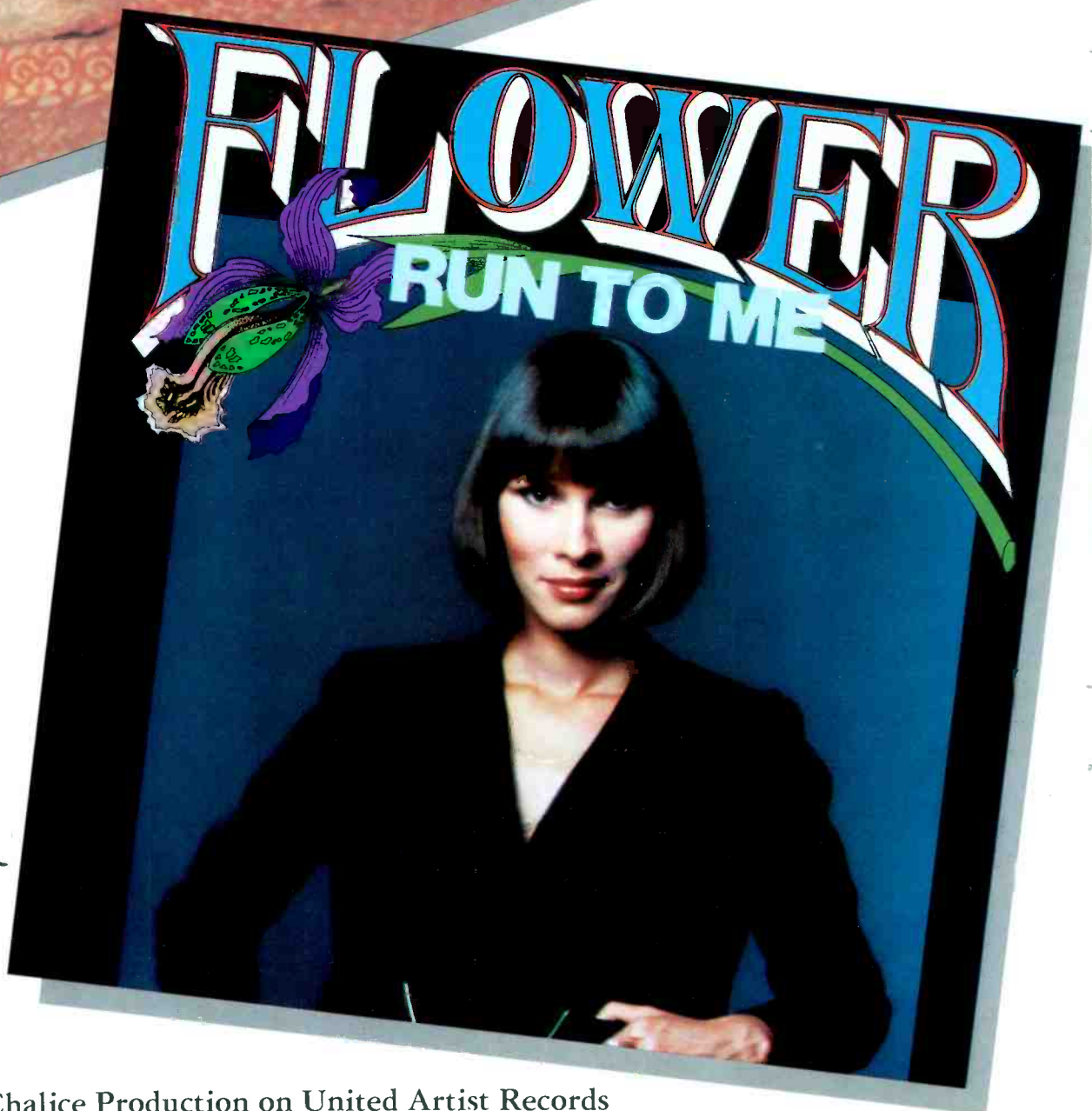
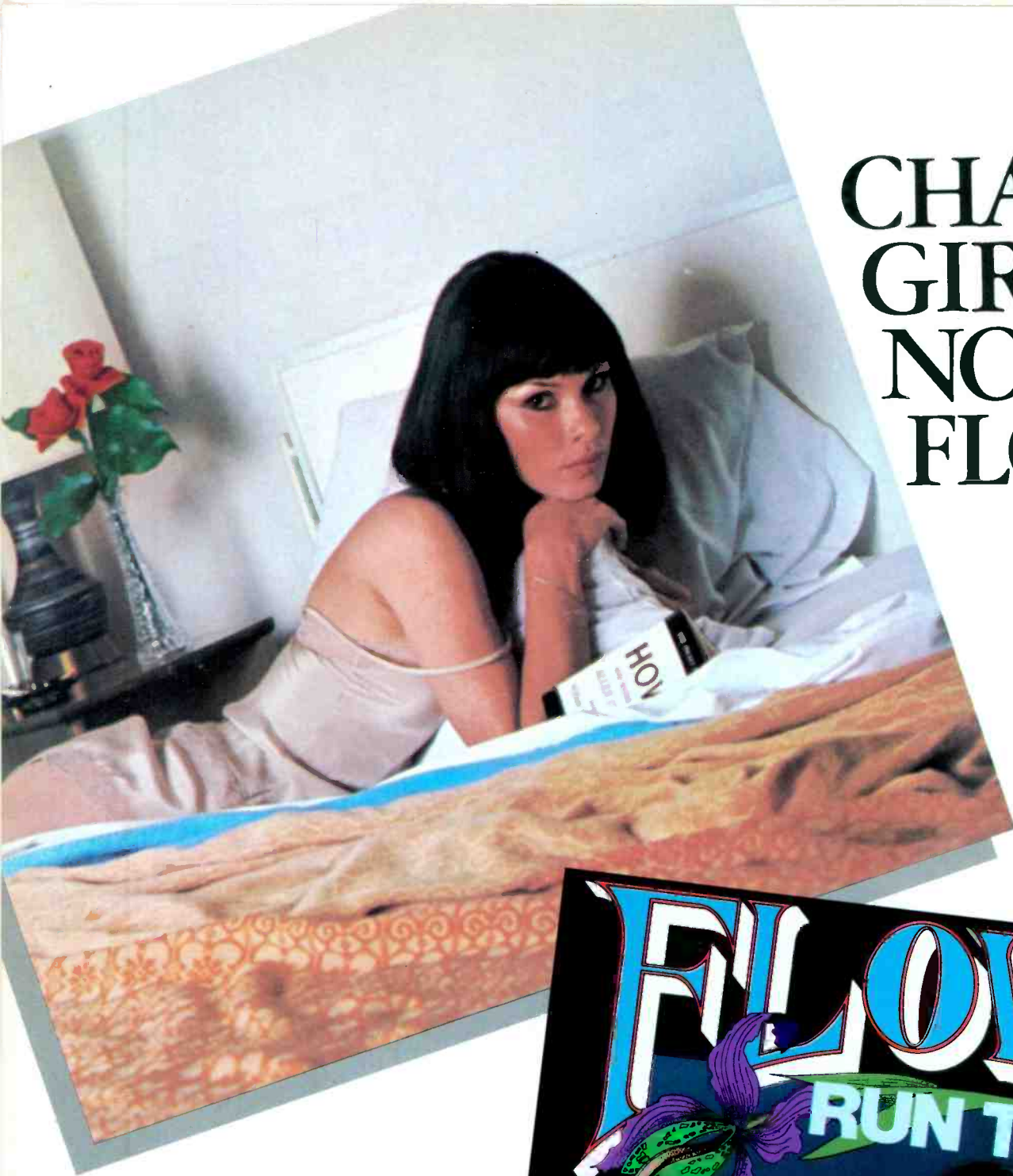
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THE SINGLES CHART

TITLE, ARTIST, Label, Number, (Distributing Label)

OCT. 8	OCT. 1		WKS. ON CHART
1	1	"STAR WARS" THEME/ CANTINA BAND MECO Millennium MN 604 (Casablanca) (2nd Week)	11
2	4	KEEP IT COMIN' LOVE KC & THE SUNSHINE BAND/ T.K. 1023	16
3	3	THAT'S ROCK 'N' ROLL SHAUN CASSIDY/Warner/Curb WBS 8423 (WB)	11
4	8	YOU LIGHT UP MY LIFE DEBBY BOONE/Warner/Curb WBS 8446 (WB)	7
5	7	NOBODY DOES IT BETTER CARLY SIMON/Elektra 45413	12
6	2	BEST OF MY LOVE EMOTIONS/Columbia 3 10544	17
7	10	BOOGIE NIGHTS HEATWAVE/Epic 8 50370	11
8	9	COLD AS ICE FOREIGNER/Atlantic 3410	12
9	5	I JUST WANT TO BE YOUR EVERYTHING ANDY GIBB/ RSO RS 872 (Polydor)	25
10	11	WAY DOWN ELVIS PRESLEY/RCA PB 10998	15
11	12	SWAYIN' TO THE MUSIC (SLOW DANCIN') JOHNNY RIVERS/Big Tree BT 16094 (Atlantic)	16
12	14	I FEEL LOVE DONNA SUMMER/Casablanca 884	10
13	17	THE KING IS GONE RONNIE McDOWELL/Scorpion SC 0543	5
14	6	DON'T STOP FLEETWOOD MAC/Warner Bros. WBS 8413	14
15	18	BRICK HOUSE COMMODORES/Motown M 1425F	7
16	13	TELEPHONE LINE ELECTRIC LIGHT ORCHESTRA/ Jet 1000 (UA)	17
17	16	ON AND ON STEPHEN BISHOP/ABC 12260	16
18	26	IT'S ECSTASY WHEN YOU LAY DOWN NEXT TO ME BARRY WHITE/20th Century 2350	6
19	20	DON'T WORRY BABY B. J. THOMAS/MCA 40735	13
20	21	SIGNED, SEALED, DELIVERED (I'M YOURS) PETER FRAMPTON/ A&M 1972	7
21	22	JUNGLE LOVE STEVE MILLER BAND/Capitol P 4466	10
22	15	FLOAT ON FLOATERS/ABC 12284	16
23	24	CAT SCRATCH FEVER TED NUGENT/Epic 8 50425	11
24	28	DON'T IT MAKE MY BROWN EYES BLUE CRYSTAL GAYLE/ United Artists XW1016	11
25	19	(YOUR LOVE HAS LIFTED ME) HIGHER & HIGHER RITA COOLIDGE/A&M 1922	23
26	23	HANDY MAN JAMES TAYLOR/Columbia 3 10557	17
27	25	STRAWBERRY LETTER #23 BROTHERS JOHNSON/ A&M 1949	14
28	30	IT WAS ALMOST LIKE A SONG RONNIE MILSAP/RCA PB 10976	12
29	31	HEAVEN ON THE SEVENTH FLOOR PAUL NICHOLAS/ RSO RS 878 (Polydor)	8
30	34	SHE DID IT ERIC CARMEN/Arista 0266	7
31	47	BABY, WHAT A BIG SURPRISE CHICAGO/Columbia 3 10620	2
32	39	JUST REMEMBER I LOVE YOU FIREFALL/Atlantic 3421	6
33	35	I BELIEVE YOU DOROTHY MOORE/Malaco 1042 (T.K.)	11
34	38	HELP IS ON THE WAY LITTLE RIVER BAND/Harvest P 4428 (Capitol)	11
35	37	I WOULDN'T WANT TO BE LIKE YOU ALAN PARSONS PROJECT/Arista 0260	9
36	41	DO YOU WANNA GET FUNKY WITH ME PETER BROWN/ Drive 6258 (T.K.)	6
37	36	DAYTIME FRIENDS KENNY ROGERS/United Artists XW1027	11
38	29	EASY COMMODORES/Motown M 1418F	20
39	46	DUSIC BRICK/Bang 734	6
40	32	YOU AND ME ALICE COOPER/Warner Bros. WBS 8349	24
41	27	THE GREATEST LOVE OF ALL GEORGE BENSON/ Arista 0251	12
42	52	WE'RE ALL ALONE RITA COOLIDGE/A&M 1965	5
43	45	LITTLE DARLIN' (I NEED YOU) THE DOOBIE BROTHERS/ Warner Bros. WBS 8408	11
44	49	WE JUST DISAGREE DAVE MASON/Columbia 3 10575	6
45	50	SURFIN' USA LEIF GARRETT/Atlantic 3423	7
46	48	ANOTHER STAR STEVIE WONDER/Tamla T 54286F (Motown)	9
47	44	DA DOO RON RON SHAUN CASSIDY/Warner/Curb WBS 8365 (WB)	22
48	33	UNDERCOVER ANGEL ALAN O'DAY/Pacific 001 (Atlantic)	25

49	40	THEME FROM "STAR WARS"/CANTINA BAND LONDON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA/ 20th Century 2345	13
50	62	DO YOUR DANCE (PART I) ROSE ROYCE/Whitfield WHL 8440 (WB)	3
51	42	TELEPHONE MAN MERI WILSON/GRT 127	19
52	43	SMOKE FROM A DISTANT FIRE SANFORD-TOWNSEND BAND/Warner Bros. WBS 8370	16
53	63	THE LOVE THEME FROM "ONE ON ONE" (MY FAIR SHARE) SEALS & CROFTS/Warner Bros. WBS 8405	5
54	60	I JUST WANT TO MAKE LOVE TO YOU FOGHAT/ Bearsville BSS 0319 (WB)	7
55	65	CHANGES IN LATITUDES, CHANGES IN ATTITUDES JIMMY BUFFETT/ABC 12305	3
56	59	DEVIL'S GUN C.J. & COMPANY/Westbound 55400 (Atlantic)	10
57	72	HOW DEEP IS YOUR LOVE BEE GEES/RSO RS 882 (Polydor)	2
58	66	DOCTOR LOVE 1ST CHOICE/Gold Mind 4004 (Salsoul)	4
59	51	BARRACUDA HEART/Portrait 6 70004	20
60	83	DAYBREAK BARRY MANILOW/Arista 0273	2
61	53	HOLD ON WILD CHERRY/Sweet City/Epic 8 50401	11
62	54	JUST A SONG BEFORE I GO CROSBY, STILLS & NASH/ Atlantic 3401	19
63	71	A PLACE IN THE SUN PABLO CRUISE/A&M 1976	3
64	73	BLUE BAYOU LINDA RONSTADT/Asylum 45431	4
65	68	LITTLE QUEEN HEART/Portrait 6 70008	4
66	75	SEND IN THE CLOWNS JUDY COLLINS/Elektra 45076	3
67	67	I GO CRAZY PAUL DAVIS/Bang 733	7
68	61	I BELIEVE IN LOVE KENNY LOGGINS/Columbia 3 10569	11

CHARTMAKER OF THE WEEK

69	—	IT'S SO EASY LINDA RONSTADT Asylum E 45438	1
70	81	GONE TOO FAR ENGLAND DAN & JOHN FORD COLEY/ Big Tree BT 16102 (Atlantic)	2
71	80	COME SAIL AWAY STYX/A&M 1977	3
72	84	(EVERY TIME I TURN AROUND) BACK IN LOVE AGAIN LTD/A&M 1974	4
73	88	ISN'T IT TIME THE BABYS/Chrysalis CHS 2173	2
74	85	SHAKE IT WELL DRAMATICS/ABC 12299	2
75	78	RED HOT ROBERT GORDON WITH LINK WRAY/ Private Stock 156	5
76	79	LOVE GUN KISS/Casablanca 895	3
77	89	FAIR GAME CROSBY, STILLS & NASH/Atlantic 3432	2
78	70	IT'S IN HIS KISS (THE SHOOP SHOOP SONG) KATE TAYLOR/Columbia 3 10596	5
79	—	THUNDER IN MY HEART LEO SAYER/Warner Bros. WBS 8465	1
80	—	YOUR SMILING FACE JAMES TAYLOR/Columbia 3 10602	1
81	90	BABY COME BACK PLAYER/RSO RS 879 (Polydor)	2
82	—	CALLING OCCUPANTS OF INTERPLANETARY CRAFT CARPENTERS/A&M 1978	1
83	—	GOIN' PLACES THE JACKSONS/Epic 8 50454	1
84	86	SILVER LADY DAVID SOUL/Private Stock 163	5
85	100	TIME BOMB LAKE/Columbia 3 10614	2
86	91	GEORGIA RHYTHM ATLANTA RHYTHM SECTION/ Polydor 14432	2
87	—	AVENGING ANNIE ROGER DALTRY/MCA 40800	1
88	—	STONE COLD SOBER CRAWLER/Epic 8 50442	1
89	—	SENTIMENTAL LADY BOB WELCH/Capitol P 4479	1
90	93	BABY LOVE MOTHER'S FINEST/Epic 8 50407	3
91	96	YOU CAN'T TURN ME OFF (IN THE MIDDLE OF TURNING ME ON) HIGH INERGY/Gordy 7155 (Motown)	3
92	57	GIVE A LITTLE BIT SUPERTRAMP/A&M 1938	20
93	—	YOU'RE MOVING OUT TODAY CAROLE BAYER SAGER/ Elektra 45422	1
94	97	NEEDLES & PINS SMOKEY/RSO 881 (Polydor)	2
95	—	FROM GRACELAND TO THE PROMISED LAND MERLE HAGGARD/MCA 40804	1
96	77	WE NEVER DANCED TO A LOVE SONG MANHATTANS/ Columbia 3 10586	7
97	—	SHE'S NOT THERE SANTANA/Columbia 3 10616	1
98	55	BLACK BETTY RAM JAM/Epic 8 50357	19
99	58	HOW MUCH LOVE LEO SAYER/Warner Bros. WBS 8319	14
100	94	JUST LET ME HOLD YOU FOR A NIGHT DAVID RUFFIN/ Motown M 1420F	3

FLASHMAKER



AJA
STEELY DAN
ABC

MOST ADDED:

- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
- ROUGH MIX—Townshend/Lane—MCA
- GONE TO EARTH—Barclay James Harvest—MCA
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- TWILLEY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley Band—Arista
- LITTLE CRIMINALS—Randy Newman—WB
- FOREIGN AFFAIRS—Tom Waits—Asylum
- SHE'S NOT THERE (single)—Santana—Col

WNEW-FM/NEW YORK

- ADDS:**
- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
 - ALREADY FREE—Nick Jameson—Bearsville
 - FOREIGN AFFAIRS—Tom Waits—Asylum
 - GONE TO EARTH—Barclay James Harvest—MCA
 - INTOXICATION—Rory Block—Chrysalis
 - LIVE—Golden Earring—MCA
 - MAKIN' LOVE & MUSIC—Dr. Hook—Capitol
 - ME-HUN—Bob Meighan Band—Capitol
 - MIDNIGHT RAIN—Ursula Dudziak—Arista
 - NOT FAR FROM FREE—Dan Harrison—Mercury
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay in descending order):**
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
 - ROUGH MIX—Townshend/Lane—MCA
 - LITTLE CRIMINALS—Randy Newman—WB
 - BAT OUT OF HELL—Meatloaf—Cleveland Int'l
 - CHICAGO XI—Col
 - TWILLEY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley Band—Arista
 - FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
 - OLD FRIENDS—Mary McCaslin—Philo

WBCN-FM/BOSTON

- ADDS:**
- ACTION—Blackbyrds—Fantasy
 - BROKEN HEART—The Babys—Chrysalis
 - FOREIGN AFFAIRS—Tom Waits—Asylum
 - GO TOO—Stomu Yamashita—Arista
 - MENAGERIE—Bill Withers—Col
 - NIGHTWINGS—Stanley Turrentine—Fantasy
 - PLAYER—RSO
 - SEND IT—Ashford & Simpson—WB
 - SPARK IN THE DARK—Alpha Band—Arista
 - THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col

- HEAVY ACTION (airplay in descending order):**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - KARLA BONOFF—Col
 - LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
 - ROUGH MIX—Townshend/Lane—MCA
 - FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
 - BRIDGES—Gil Scott-Heron & Brian Jackson—Arista
 - LITTLE CRIMINALS—Randy Newman—WB
 - TWILLEY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley Band—Arista
 - SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum

WLIR-FM/LONG ISLAND

- ADDS:**
- BRIDGES—Gil Scott-Heron & Brian Jackson—Arista
 - FOREIGN AFFAIRS—Tom Waits—Asylum
 - HEAVEN CAN BE ANYWHERE (single)—Charlie Daniels Band—Epic
 - JUBILATION—The Rowans—Asylum
 - LITTLE CRIMINALS—Randy Newman—WB
 - NETWORK—Epic
 - NEVER LETTING GO—Phoebe Snow—Col
 - SPACED—Shawn Phillips—A&M
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay in descending order):**
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
 - AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - BOOK OF DREAMS—Steve Miller Band—Capitol
 - LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
 - THUNDER ISLAND—Jay Ferguson—Asylum
 - JT—James Taylor—Col
 - I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista
 - GONE TO EARTH—Barclay James Harvest—MCA
 - FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol

WCOZ-FM/BOSTON

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - TWILLEY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley Band—Arista
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay in descending order):**
- FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
 - EVEN IN THE QUIETEST MOMENTS—Supertramp—A&M
 - IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
 - CHICAGO XI—Col
 - LITTLE QUEEN—Heart—Portrait
 - LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
 - RUMOURS—Fleetwood Mac—WB

WPLR-FM/NEW HAVEN

- ADDS:**
- GONE TO EARTH—Barclay James Harvest—MCA
 - HEAVEN CAN BE ANYWHERE (single)—Charlie Daniels Band—Epic
 - LIVE—Golden Earring—MCA
 - SHE'S NOT THERE (single)—Santana—Col
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales, phones in descending order):**
- FOGHAT LIVE—Bearsville
 - GOING FOR THE ONE—Yes—Atlantic
 - AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - TAKIN' THE STAGE—Pure Prairie League—RCA
 - SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
 - RUMOURS—Fleetwood Mac—WB

- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- LIVE! IN THE AIR AGE—Be Bo Deluxe—Harvest
- RAISIN' HELL—Elvin Bishop—Capricorn

WIOQ-FM/PHILADELPHIA

- ADDS:**
- BOOMTOWN RATS—Mercury
 - BRIDGES—Gil Scott-Heron & Brian Jackson—Arista
 - DIZZYTHMIA—Split Enz—Chrysalis
 - FOREIGN AFFAIRS—Tom Waits—Asylum
 - LIVE—Golden Earring—MCA
 - MAGIC IS A CHILD—Nektar—Polydor
 - NEVER LETTING GO—Phoebe Snow—Col
 - TALKING HEADS: '77—Sire
 - THE MOTORS—Virgin
 - THUNDER IN MY HEART—Leo Sayer—WB
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales, phones in descending order):**
- FOREIGNER—Atlantic
 - I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista
 - TIME LOVES A HERO—Little Feat—WB
 - AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
 - LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
 - STEVE WINWOOD—Island
 - SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
 - TERRAPIN STATION—Grateful Dead—Arista

WKLS-FM/ATLANTA

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - PLAYER—RSO
 - SHE'S NOT THERE (single)—Santana—Col
 - SINGER OF SONGS—Paul Davis—Bang
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay):**
- CHICAGO XI—Col
 - CSN—Crosby, Stills and Nash—Atlantic
 - FOREIGNER—Atlantic
 - GRAND ILLUSION—Styx—A&M
 - JT—James Taylor—Col
 - LITTLE QUEEN—Heart—Portrait
 - LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
 - RUMOURS—Fleetwood Mac—WB
 - SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
 - WEAK AT THE KNEES—Mylon LeFevre—WB

WORJ-FM/ORLANDO

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - CHICAGO XI—Col
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - MAGAZINE—Heart—Mushroom
 - TOM PETTY & THE HEARTBREAKERS—Shelter
 - RINGO THE 4TH—Ringo Starr—Atlantic
 - TWILLEY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley Band—Arista
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales, phones in descending order):**
- FOREIGNER—Atlantic
 - CSN—Crosby, Stills and Nash—Atlantic
 - LUNA SEA—Firefall—Atlantic
 - TERRAPIN STATION—Grateful Dead—Arista
 - GRAND ILLUSION—Styx—A&M
 - GOING FOR THE ONE—Yes—Atlantic
 - BEAUTY ON A BACK STREET—Hall & Oates—RCA

- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista

WQSR-FM/TAMPA

- ADDS:**
- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
 - ALREADY FREE—Nick Jameson—Bearsville
 - CHICAGO XI—Col
 - ENIGMATIC OCEAN—Jean-Luc Ponty—Atlantic
 - FAST FORWARD—Randy Pie—Polydor
 - HOPE—Klaatu—Capitol
 - THE MISSING PIECE—Gentle Giant—Capitol
 - THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
 - TWILLEY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley Band—Arista
 - WEEKEND RENDEZVOUS—Racing Cars—Chrysalis
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales, phones):**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - BEAUTY ON A BACK STREET—Hall & Oates—RCA
 - FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
 - LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - MAGAZINE—Heart—Mushroom
 - PIERCE ARROW—Col
 - SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
 - TERRAPIN STATION—Grateful Dead—Arista
 - THIS TIME IT'S FOR REAL—Southside Johnny—Epic

WMMS-FM/CLEVELAND

- ADDS:**
- FOREIGN AFFAIRS—Tom Waits—Asylum
 - LET'S GET SMALL—Steve Martin—WB
 - YOUNG, LOUD & SNOTTOY—Dead Boys—Sire
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales in descending order):**
- RUMOURS—Fleetwood Mac—WB
 - SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
 - JT—James Taylor—Col
 - LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
 - MAGAZINE—Heart—Mushroom
 - AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - SPRINGBOARD—Alex Bevan—Springboard
 - BEAUTY ON A BACK STREET—Hall & Oates—RCA

M105-FM/CLEVELAND

- ADDS:**
- BAT OUT OF HELL—Meatloaf—Cleveland Int'l
 - THUNDER IN MY HEART—Leo Sayer—WB
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales, phones in descending order):**
- BOOK OF DREAMS—Steve Miller Band—Capitol
 - GRAND ILLUSION—Styx—A&M
 - LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
 - RUMOURS—Fleetwood Mac—WB
 - LAKE—Col
 - JT—James Taylor—Col
 - CRAWLER—Epic
 - CHICAGO XI—Col
 - SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones

WEBN-FM/CINCINNATI

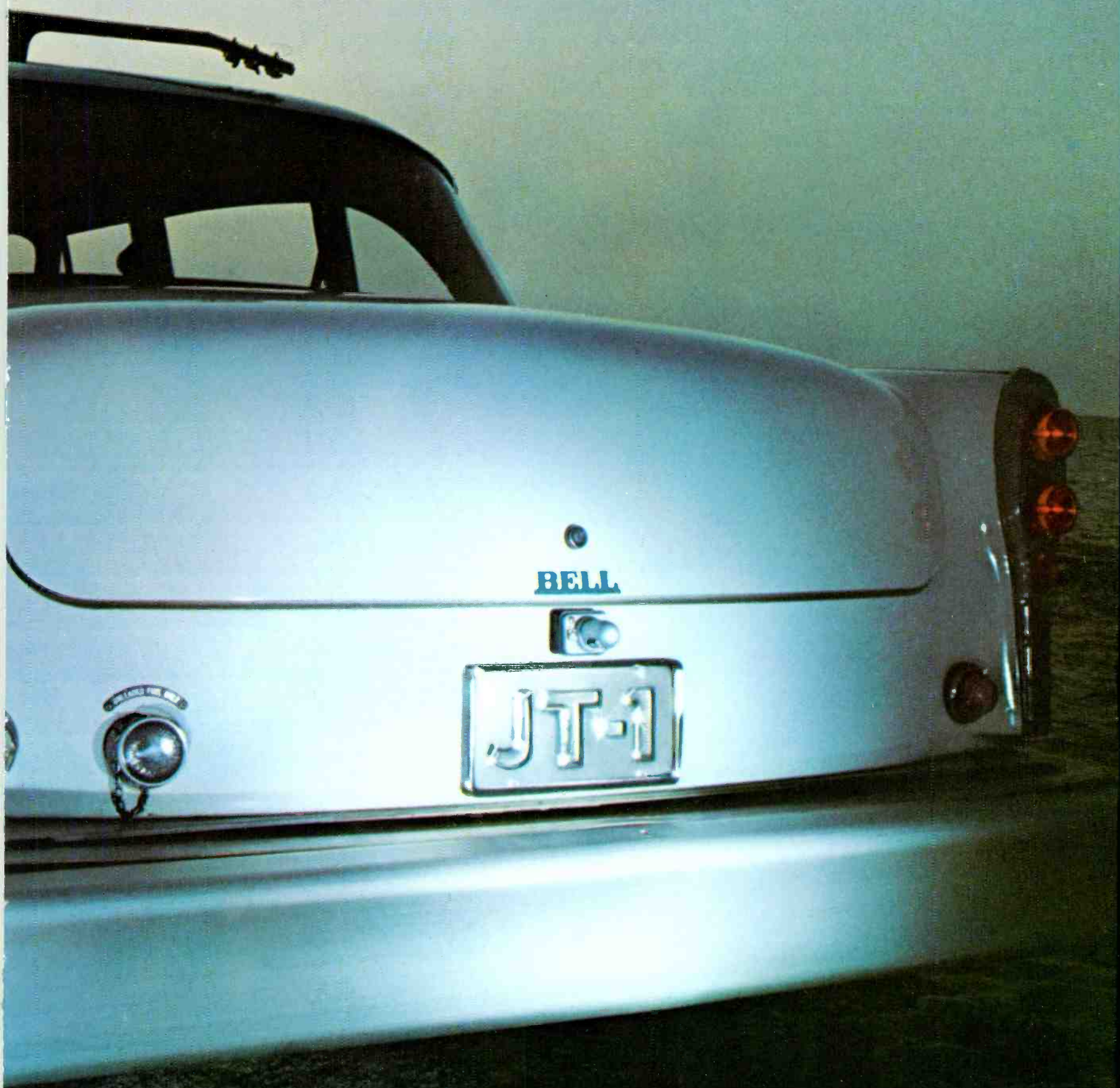
- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - BLOW IT OUT—Tom Scott—Ode
 - CHICAGO XI—Col
 - ENIGMATIC OCEAN—Jean-Luc Ponty—Atlantic
 - ROBERT GORDON WITH LINK WRAY—Private Stock
 - LITTLE CRIMINALS—Randy Newman—WB
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - OXYGENE—Jean-Michel Jarre—Polydor
 - ROUGH MIX—Townshend/Lane—MCA
 - STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN—Reverberi—UA
- HEAVY ACTION (sales in descending order):**
- RUMOURS—Fleetwood Mac—WB
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - CELEBRATE ME HOME—Kenny Loggins—Col
 - STAR WARS (soundtrack)—20th Century
 - JT—James Taylor—Col
 - SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
 - FOREIGNER—Atlantic
 - I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista
 - LITTLE QUEEN—Heart—Portrait
 - LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB

WCOL-FM/COLUMBUS

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - STILLWATER—Capricorn
 - THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales):**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - BEAUTY ON A BACK STREET—Hall & Oates—RCA
 - BROKEN HEART—The Babys—Chrysalis
 - IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
 - LET THERE BE ROCK—AC/DC—Atco
 - LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - MAGAZINE—Heart—Mushroom
 - PRISM—Ariola America
 - SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum

WXRT-FM/CHICAGO

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - BRIDGES—Gil Scott-Heron & Brian Jackson—Arista
 - CAN'T WAIT—Piper—A&M
 - GONE TO EARTH—Barclay James Harvest—MCA
 - INTRODUCING SPARKS—Col
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - MAGIC IS A CHILD—Nektar—Polydor
 - OXYGENE—Jean-Michel Jarre—Polydor
 - SHOT IN THE DARK—Bill Quateman—RCA
 - THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
- HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales, phones in descending order):**
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
 - OOPS! WRONG PLANET—Utopia—Bearsville
 - LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
 - ENIGMATIC OCEAN—Jean-Luc Ponty—Atlantic
 - GRAND ILLUSION—Styx—A&M
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volved as treasurer. There's been a change at the top. What would you like to see NARM become with Joe Cohen heading it?

Bergman: I must say first that without Jules Malamud there is no NARM. He built the organization. No one is perfect, and Jules certainly wasn't, but he did a fine job and I think a lot of people in our industry have forgotten that. We owe him a lot. We never would have gotten NARM to where it is without him. Now there's a new spirit. It's being run differently than it was before. I'm pleased with Joe. I think he's done a superb job so far. The regional meetings are a great innovation for NARM, and far better than the large, unwieldy mid-year's that never really worked because there were too many people involved. I don't think NARM can be all things to all people. Some people expect far too much from NARM. What it is is a good industry forum; it's a fun time at the convention. You get to see a lot of your friends. It's good from a business point of view, not so much for the bullshit panels or for the lectures—I realize you have to have those things at a convention to legitimize it, if you will—but I think the best thing is that you get a chance to be with top level industry executives. It has to be good when you get those kinds of people together in one place for three or four days. It helps. It's easier for me and for our people, because we don't have to do so much travelling.

RW: What was NARM not doing that it is going to do now?

Bergman: NARM wasn't making an effort to reach out to the smaller guy. I think it got to be a very elite organization, run almost solely for the big guys. What Joe is doing with this regional meeting concept is really reaching out for the small guy. Now they're starting a campaign to bring in more of the black dealers, who have been almost totally excluded from NARM. The conventions will probably have a little more relaxed atmosphere and probably will move a little more towards being relevant to the record business as it will be in the late 1970s and 1980s. I think NARM got caught in such a trap that the whole convention felt like the 1950s or 1960s. It just didn't feel right. The music that was played, the artists that performed, had no relevance to the record business, or very little. You had the country act, which was a good country act and was available and then you had Tony Orlando and Dawn, who I had no complaint with—they're a very fine act—but they're not in the record business today. They're a Vegas act. All of a sudden NARM was interchangeable with Vegas. What is that? I thought that was totally absurd and it set the wrong tone for the convention. And everybody, all the manufacturers said, "Well these people don't want to hear music, they're going to walk out." That's bullshit; it's not true. They're kidding themselves. It set the wrong tone for the convention. We'll probably have fewer of the bullshit panels and huge meetings, and more smaller things that work a lot better. I don't think NARM can be too much of a learning experience, to be honest with you. Basically it's an interchange of ideas between individuals, rather than one guy or five guys setting up and teaching a whole bunch of people how to do this or that.

RW: For a retailer to meet one on one with someone from a record company is very important, at least to that retailer.

Bergman: Yeah, exactly. For a guy who has one record store to be able to sit and talk with Jack Craigo for ten or fifteen minutes is a great thing. That's what helped us get going in the record industry. When I first went to NARM—first of all they wouldn't let retailers in. So I couldn't even register for the convention. Norman Hosfater, who was with Roberts at the time, let me register as one of his guys. I didn't even use my own name. I had to sneak in! Couldn't stay at the Century Plaza, couldn't get a reservation, so we had to stay down the street at the Hilton. But it was such an eye opener to get to talk to some of those people. It gave me an idea of the scope that was possible in the record industry, and I think it's helped our people in the same way. That's what you can expect from the change in NARM.

RW: With the Record Bar operation as big as it is, do you find yourself getting more involved in strictly the business aspect of the music industry and having less time to actually listen to the music that's coming out today?

Bergman: Yeah, but as long as I've got an office with a record player in it and a bunch of records in that office, and as long as I've got a door that I can close I'm going to listen to some music. I just put it on while I'm working. Obviously I can't devote my full attention to it in that situation. I don't care how much administrative work I have to do, I'm going to listen to music. It's part of my life.

RW: Why don't we wrap this up with a little bit of history, if you will? How did the Record Bar chain get started?

Bergman: It's an interesting story. My father started our company and is totally responsible for us getting to a level where I could take it further. Without him there is no Record Bar, no doubt about it. He

was in the wholesale grocery business during World War II. There was a guy in Burlington, North Carolina who owed him some money and couldn't pay him. He ended up giving my father some juke boxes as payment so my father got into the juke box business. He was also in the cigarette vending business. So he ran this juke box route and sold used records, like a lot of guys did when they took them off the boxes. From selling used records from the back of a warehouse he got the idea to open a record store. The first store was called Musicland, of all things. So it evolved into a record store in '57. The wholesale grocery business was not a very good business any more after chain stores came in. My father got hurt by that, went out of business and ended up with just a record store. So our family income was coming from a retail record store in Burlington, North Carolina. I had worked for my uncle, who had a little record store in Durham called Record Bar, and in 1960 he decided he wanted a change of scenery. So he took his family and moved to Jacksonville, Florida. My father bought up his store in Durham, so we had two stores: one called Musicland, one called Record Bar. I was in college at the time. I got out of school in 1963. Our family had a couple of bucks from this store in Durham, particularly. There was an opportunity in Chapel Hill, North Carolina for a store. We saw the opportunity, but I didn't want to go into the retail record business: I wanted to go to work for a manufacturer. My father, though, convinced me that there was a real opportunity in retailing. So I said I would try it. Arlene and I got married about that time and opened a little store in Chapel Hill. We were so undercapitalized that we couldn't run three stores. We had to close the Burlington store, move all the inventory and all the fixtures—and I mean they were dilapidated fixtures—and open a store in Chapel Hill. Called it Record Bar. The store did very well and the store in Durham did very well. We grew and grew and in 1968 we decided we wanted to go into Raleigh. But the strip shopping center in Raleigh, called Cameron Village, wouldn't let us in. There was all kinds of prejudices about record stores in those days. So we kept looking. There was another shopping center in Raleigh, but it was not doing well. I think it was called North Hills. The owners decided to close it in, mall it. My father happened to go over to the opening, when they opened the mall part, and was very impressed because it had a lot of traffic. So he said, "Let's give that a shot. We've been looking for a location, so let's try this one." And we found out something when we opened that store: malls are very good places for record stores. My father had the marketing know-how to see that that was a tremendous opportunity for us; he was the one that made that decision. We immediately did a lot of business, and that's what put us on the track. Later we came back and got into the other shopping center that wouldn't let us in before. So we started opening up stores and decided that malls were the place for us. First of all we opened in malls that were close to us in North Carolina. Then we had to spread through the whole state of North Carolina, because there weren't many malls around us anymore. Then we'd take any mall in the south or southeast that we couldn't get into and was any good. Then we had to spread geographically, because we kept eating them up. Now they're going back and building malls in small towns today. So it's not as much of a problem for us, because we don't have to keep spreading geographically to get another mall.

There was a period there where we were in the business of opening retail record stores rather than running them. We are now in the business of running them and we're doing a good job. We learned how to do one thing and then we learned how to do another. It's not easy to become a multiple store operation because there's just so many more problems. When you get up to 20 stores it gets real difficult. You can stay with some simple systems to get to that point, but once you get over the 20-store level you better know what you're doing. That's what happened to Jimmy's. There's a level that once you cross you've got to be ready. We got squeezed once, and about the same time we got caught in that squeeze we got hit with the recession. We were fortunate in that we had some good people around who pulled us out of it. That's always been the best things that's happened to us. One of the nicest things about the business is that where we started there are three major colleges and we were able to draw talent from those colleges. We still do. That has really helped us. The cities themselves are not real big, but the type of person we've been able to get in our company has been remarkable. The cities we're located in are generally nice places to live, places that people like to stay in, so we've been able to oftentimes get people to work for us who could command much higher salaries with bigger companies in bigger cities, but don't want that kind of lifestyle. They're happy living where they live and working in a relaxed environment.

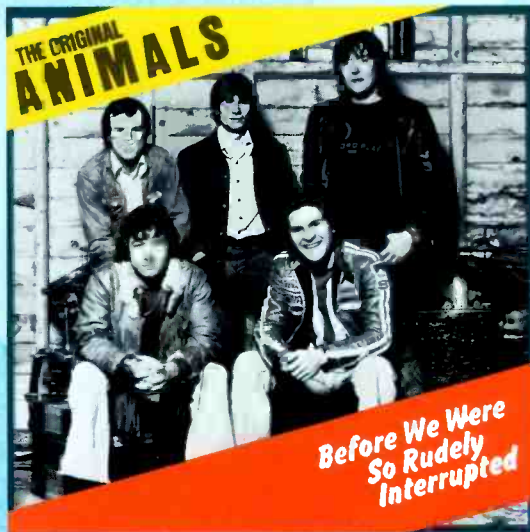
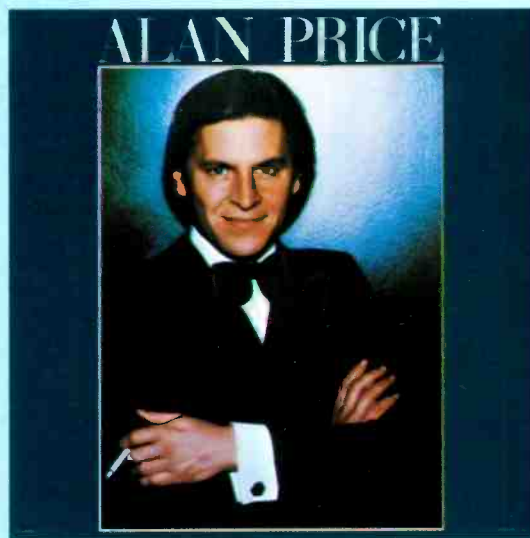
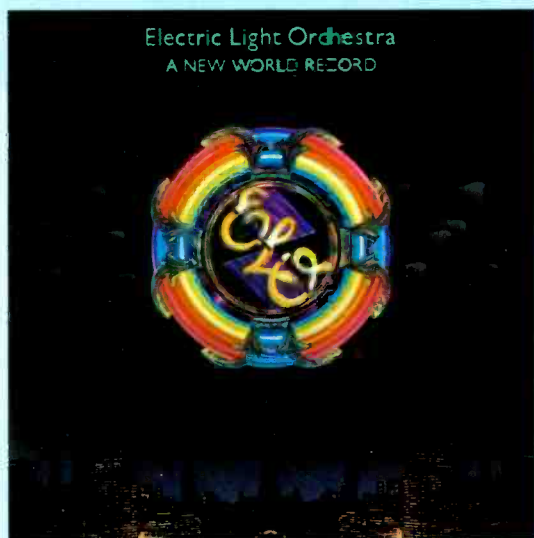
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DREAMER (prod. by Ken Scott & group) (writers: Hodqson-Davies) (Almo/Delicate, ASCAP) (3:33)

Supertramp's first "FM hit" could have pop success on the heels of "Give A Little Bit." The song is memorable, the style right for a mass audience.

LINDA RONSTADT—Asylum 45438

IT'S SO EASY (prod. by Peter Asher) (writers: Holly-Petty) (MPL, BMI) (2:27)

With "Blue Bayou" still climbing the Singles Chart, this Holly cover has been released to satisfy those who prefer Ronstadt's uptempo side. It rocks.

THE DOOBIE BROTHERS—

Warner Bros. 8471

ECHOES OF LOVE (prod. by Ted Templeman) (writers: Simmons-Mitchell-Randle) (Soquel, ASCAP/J.E.C., BMI) (2:57)

An original composition, after a Motown cover or two, this song emphasizes synthesizer work and vocal harmonies, and bears their melodic trademarks.

GRATEFUL DEAD—Arista 0276

DANCIN' IN THE STREETS (prod. by Keith Olsen) (writers: Stevenson-Gaye-Hunter) (Jobete, ASCAP/Stone Agate, BMI) (3:08)

The '64 Martha and the Vandellas hit sounds appropriately mellowed in the Dead version, with Donna Godchaux and some hot guitar licks in the spotlight.

BOBBY VINTON—ABC 12308

ALL MY TODAYS (prod. by Bob Morgan) (writer: Vinton) (Feather, BMI) (3:06)

Vinton wrote this restrained love ballad, and it's one of his best—the message is simple, the production spare, highlighting the artist's effective vocal.

ODYSSEY—RCA 11129

NATIVE NEW YORKER (prod. by Sandy Linzer & Charlie Calello) (writers: Linzer-Randell) (Featherbed/Desiderata/Unichappell, BMI) (3:29)

The sound is smooth r&b, dance tempo; the lyrics, while aimed primarily at New Yorkers, may find acceptance with a wide disco and r&b audience.

DICKEY BETTS—Arista 0269

BOUGAINVILLEA (prod. by Dickey Betts) (writers: Betts-Johnson) (Pangola, BMI) (3:29)

This soothing Southern ballad shows off Betts' guitar work quite well, and as a mood piece it could have considerable pop success.

BLUE—Rocket 40801 (MCA)

BRING BACK THE LOVE (prod. by Elton John & Clive Franks) (writer: Nicholson) (Catrine, PRS) (3:05)

The bright pop sound of Blue owes a lot to Elton John—this mid-tempo song has a lot of Elton's bounce to it, and could establish the band here.

DOLLY PARTON—RCA 11123

HERE YOU COME AGAIN (prod. by Gary Klein) (writers: Mann-Weil) (Screen Gems-EMI/Summerhill, BMI) (2:55)

As the writers' names suggest, this isn't a country record—it is, rather, a bright pop tune with a good hook, and Parton's vocal could well bring it home.

FRANKIE VALLI—Private Stock 169

I NEED YOU (prod. by Charles Calello) (writer: Carmen) (CAM-USA, BMI) (3:23)

Eric Carmen is reported to have written this song just for Valli, and the expressive nature of the ballad seems well suited to his trademark vocal.

PATTI LABELLE—Epic 8-50445

JOY TO HAVE YOUR LOVE (prod. by David Rubinson) (writers: Parker-Cohen-Ellison) (Raydio, ASCAP/Polo Grounds/Gospel Birds, BMI) (3:15)

Labelle's solo debut is, as the title indicates, a joyous record, with her vocal soaring over the backup. The dance tempo should bring along disco fans.

AC/DC—Atco 7086

PROBLEM CHILD (prod. by Vanda & Young) (writers: Young-Young-Scott) (E. B. Marks, BMI) (2:48)

This Australian group rocks hard, but with a sure melodic touch and satisfyingly raunchy guitar work. This single could bring them pop acceptance.

TOM POWERS—Big Tree 16103

IT AIN'T LOVE (prod. by Kyle Lehning) (writer: Powers) (TOPO, ASCAP) (3:37)

This emotive ballad is already establishing Powers with adult audiences, and pop response should soon follow. The questions are familiar, well-presented.

THE CHARLIE DANIELS BAND—

Epic 8-50456

HEAVEN CAN BE ANYWHERE (TWIN PINES THEME) (prod. by Paul Hornsby) (writer: Daniels) (Hat Band, BMI) (3:15)

A departure from Daniels' rocking style, this ballad flows with a fully-produced sound. The melody is strong, the sentiment a likely pop winner.

JACKIE DE SHANNON—Amherst 725

DON'T LET THE FLAME BURN OUT (prod. by Jim Ed Norman) (writer: De Shannon) (Halwill/Plain and Simple, ASCAP) (3:29)

A mid-tempo rock and roll song with a guitar-strumming background, this single is one of De Shannon's best in some time. The title is a hook in itself.

THE CHI-LITES—Mercury 73954

IF I HAD A GIRL (prod. by Richard Rome) (writer: Hurtt) (Josiah, BMI) (3:30)

Struck from the same mold as the Chi-Lites' past hits, this single is a smooth, wistful r&b ballad dominated by the group's trademark falsettos.

BILLY JOEL—Columbia 3-10624

MOVIN' OUT (ANTHONY'S SONG) (prod. by Phil Ramone) (writer: Joel) (Joelsongs, BMI) (3:30)

This saga of a young man's dilemmas is a typically expressive Joel song, with New York references and an unusual, piano-dominated structure.

THE BABYS—Chrysalis 2173

ISN'T IT TIME (prod. by Ron Nevison) (writers: Conrad-Kennedy) (Jacon/X-Ray, BMI) (3:23)

The Babys' rock has been toned down for their new single, with a female chorus and full production effects added. John Waite's voice still stands out.

HODGES, JAMES AND SMITH—

London 5N-260

DON'T TAKE AWAY YOUR LOVE (prod. by Wm. Mickey Stevenson) (writers: Barnum-Clay) (El Patricio, BMI) (3:09)

A follow-up to a good r&b hit, this single should expand H, J&S's New York base into a national following. It's fast-paced, with energetic vocals.

PIPER—A&M 1969

CAN'T WAIT (prod. by Sean Delaney & Chris Kimsey) (writers: Squier-Isaacs) (Songs of the Knight/Bomass, BMI) (3:21)

Billy Squier's collaboration with critic James Isaacs is a British-sounding rocker with pop leanings; the guitar work recalls the Move.

LATIMORE—Glades 1744 (T.K.)

LET ME LIVE THE LIFE I LOVE (prod. by Steve Alaimo) (writer: Latimore) (Sherlyn) (3:26)

A jazz influence, set out by a good horn arrangement, dominates this Latimore effort, with enough soul present to signal a likely r&b favorite.

THE EMOTIONS—Stax 3200 (Fantasy)

SHOUTING OUT LOVE (prod. by Al Bell, William Brown & Marvell Thomas) (writers: Wilkes-Smith) (East Memphis, BMI) (3:13)

From the Stax vaults, this single shows the flair the Emotions have made into a million-selling item, and could receive r&b and pop play with their current hits.

THE POINTER SISTERS—ABC

Blue Thumb 275

HAVING A PARTY (prod. by David Rubinson) (writer: Cooke) (Kags, BMI) (3:08)

The '62 Sam Cooke hit, recently revived by Southside Johnny, is given an invigorating treatment by the Pointers, with all the party spirit retained.

BUCKINGHAM-NICKS—Polydor 14428

CRYING IN THE NIGHT (prod. by Keith Olsen) (writer: Nicks) (Pogologo/Buckingham Nicks/Mother Pearl, ASCAP) (3:00)

From their lp debut as a duo four years ago, this single shows the flair that has made Lindsey and Stevie stars with Fleetwood Mac. Pop action is likely.

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THE FM AIRPLAY REPORT

All listings from key progressive stations around the country are in alphabetical order by title, except where otherwise noted.

TOP AIRPLAY



SIMPLE DREAMS
LINDA RONSTADT
Asylum

MOST AIRPLAY:

- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista
- RUMOURS—Fleetwood Mac—WB
- FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
- TERRAPIN STATION—Grateful Dead—Arista
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- JT—James Taylor—Col

KSHE-FM/ST. LOUIS

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - TERENCE BOYLAN—Asylum
 - GONE TO EARTH—Barclay James Harvest—MCA
 - ROUGH MIX—Townsend/Lane—MCA
 - SHE'S NOT THERE (single)—Santana—Col

HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales, phones in descending order):

- GOING FOR THE ONE—Yes—Atlantic
- PRISM—Ariola America
- CRAWLER—Epic
- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
- FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- THUNDER ISLAND—Jay Ferguson—Asylum
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- LIVE—Golden Earring—MCA
- LUNA SEA—Firefall—Atlantic

WKDF-FM/NASHVILLE

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - IN COLOR—Cheap Trick—Epic
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - ROUGH MIX—Townsend/Lane—MCA
 - THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
 - THUNDER ISLAND—Jay Ferguson—Asylum
 - TWILLY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley Band—Arista

HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales, phones in descending order):

- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista
- A PLACE IN THE SUN—Pablo Cruise—A&M

- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- JT—James Taylor—Col
- FOGHAT LIVE—Bearsville
- CSN—Crosby, Stills and Nash—Atlantic
- NETHER LANDS—Dan Fogelberg—Full Moon
- GOING FOR THE ONE—Yes—Atlantic
- BOOK OF DREAMS—Steve Miller Band—Capitol

WQFM-FM/MILWAUKEE

- ADDS:**
- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
 - BLUE SAILOR—Cheryl Dilcher—Butterfly
 - BRIDGES—Gil Scott-Heron & Brian Jackson—Arista
 - BROKEN HEART—The Babys—Chrysalis
 - GONE TO EARTH—Barclay James Harvest—MCA
 - LIVE—Golden Earring—MCA
 - RINGO THE 4TH—Ringo Starr—Atlantic
 - SHOT IN THE DARK—Bill Quateman—RCA
 - THE JOY—Fantasy
 - THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col

HEAVY ACTION (airplay in descending order):

- CHICAGO XI—Col
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista
- RUMOURS—Fleetwood Mac—WB
- BOOK OF DREAMS—Steve Miller Band—Capitol
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
- BAD REPUTATION—Thin Lizzy—Mercury
- ENIGMATIC OCEAN—Jean-Luc Ponty—Atlantic

CHUM-FM/TORONTO

- ADDS:**
- KARLA BONOFF—Col
 - HOW DEEP IS YOUR LOVE (single)—Bee Gees—RSO
 - IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
 - IN COLOR—Cheap Trick—Epic
 - MIRAGE—Richie Havens—A&M
 - WE'RE ALL ALONE (single)—Rita Coolidge—A&M

HEAVY ACTION (airplay):

- BOATS AGAINST THE CURRENT—Eric Carmen—Arista
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- GOING FOR THE ONE—Yes—Atlantic
- I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista
- JT—James Taylor—Col
- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- TERRAPIN STATION—Grateful Dead—Arista
- STEVE WINWOOD—Island

KLOL-FM/HOUSTON

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - BAD REPUTATION—Thin Lizzy—Mercury
 - KARLA BONOFF—Col
 - CHICAGO XI—Col
 - LITTLE CRIMINALS—Randy Newman—WB
 - PLAYMATES—Small Faces—Atlantic

- ROUGH MIX—Townsend/Lane—MCA
- SECOND SEASON—Point Blank—Arista
- THE MISSING PIECE—Gentle Giant—Capitol
- THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col

HEAVY ACTION (airplay in descending order):

- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
- CSN—Crosby, Stills and Nash—Atlantic
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista
- HOTEL CALIFORNIA—Eagles—Asylum
- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- NETHER LANDS—Dan Fogelberg—Full Moon
- BOOK OF DREAMS—Steve Miller Band—Capitol
- STEVE WINWOOD—Island
- RUMOURS—Fleetwood Mac—WB

KZEW-FM/DALLAS

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - KARLA BONOFF—Col
 - BROKEN HEART—The Babys—Chrysalis
 - ENIGMATIC OCEAN—Jean-Luc Ponty—Atlantic
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - ROUGH MIX—Townsend/Lane—MCA
 - SPACED—Shawn Phillips—A&M
 - THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col

HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales, phones in descending order):

- LUNA SEA—Firefall—Atlantic
- CSN—Crosby, Stills and Nash—Atlantic
- JT—James Taylor—Col
- I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista
- GOING FOR THE ONE—Yes—Atlantic
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- STEVE WINWOOD—Island
- BEAUTY ON A BACK STREET—Hall & Oates—RCA
- TERRAPIN STATION—Grateful Dead—Arista
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis

KGB-FM/SAN DIEGO

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - BEAUTY ON A BACK STREET—Hall & Oates—RCA
 - CHICAGO XI—Col
 - IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - SHE'S NOT THERE (single)—Santana—Col

HEAVY ACTION (airplay, sales, phones in descending order):

- RUMOURS—Fleetwood Mac—WB
- STAR WARS (soundtrack)—20th Century
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- FOGHAT LIVE—Bearsville
- FOREIGNER—Atlantic
- CAT SCRATCH FEVER—Ted Nugent—Epic
- I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista
- LITTLE QUEEN—Heart—Portrait

- CELEBRATE ME HOME—Kenny Loggins—Col
- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB

KWST-FM/LOS ANGELES

- ADDS:**
- BROKEN HEART—The Babys—Chrysalis
 - NOT FOR FROM FREE—Don Harrison—Mercury

HEAVY ACTION (airplay sales, phones in descending order):

- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- FOGHAT LIVE—Bearsville
- TERRAPIN STATION—Grateful Dead—Arista
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
- TWILLEY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley—Arista
- BAD REPUTATION—Thin Lizzy—Mercury
- TOM PETTY & THE HEARTBREAKERS—Shelter

KMET-FM/LOS ANGELES

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - KARLA BONOFF—Col
 - CAN'T WAIT—Piper—A&M
 - FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
 - IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - ROUGH MIX—Townsend/Lane—MCA
 - SHE'S NOT THERE (single)—Santana—Col
 - TWILLEY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley Band—Arista

HEAVY ACTION (airplay in descending order):

- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- FOREIGNER—Atlantic
- RUMOURS—Fleetwood Mac—WB
- LIGHTS OUT—UFO—Chrysalis
- ONE OF THE BOYS—Roger Daltrey—MCA
- LAKE—Col
- TERRAPIN STATION—Grateful Dead—Arista
- LIVE! IN THE AIR AGE—Be Bop Deluxe—Harvest
- CAT SCRATCH FEVER—Ted Nugent—Epic
- FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol

KZAP-FM/SACRAMENTO

- ADDS:**
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
 - GONE TO EARTH—Barclay James Harvest—MCA
 - INTRODUCING SPARKS—Col
 - LITTLE CRIMINALS—Randy Newman—WB
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - OLD FRIENDS—Mary McCaslin—Philo
 - TALKING HEADS: '77—Sire
 - THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
 - WEEKEND RENDEZVOUS—Racing Cars—Chrysalis

HEAVY ACTION (airplay):

- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum

- BEAUTY ON A BACK STREET—Hall & Oates—RCA
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- ROUGH MIX—Townsend/Lane—MCA
- CRAWLER—Epic
- BAD REPUTATION—Thin Lizzy—Mercury
- TERRAPIN STATION—Grateful Dead—Arista
- BRIDGES—Gil Scott-Heron & Brian Jackson—Arista
- CLEAR SAILIN'—Chris Hillman—Asylum

KSAN-FM/SAN FRANCISCO

- ADDS:**
- BLANK GENERATION—Richard Hell & Voidoids—Sire
 - INTRODUCING SPARKS—Col
 - SPARK IN THE DARK—Alpha Band—Arista
 - YOUNG, LOUD & SNOTTY—Dead Boys—Sire

HEAVY ACTION (airplay in descending order):

- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- ROUGH MIX—Townsend/Lane—MCA
- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
- MY AIM IS TRUE—Elvis Costello—Stiff (Import)
- TWILLEY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley Band—Arista
- BAD REPUTATION—Thin Lizzy—Mercury
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- INTRODUCING SPARKS—Col
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- OOPS! WRONG PLANET—Utopia—Bearsville

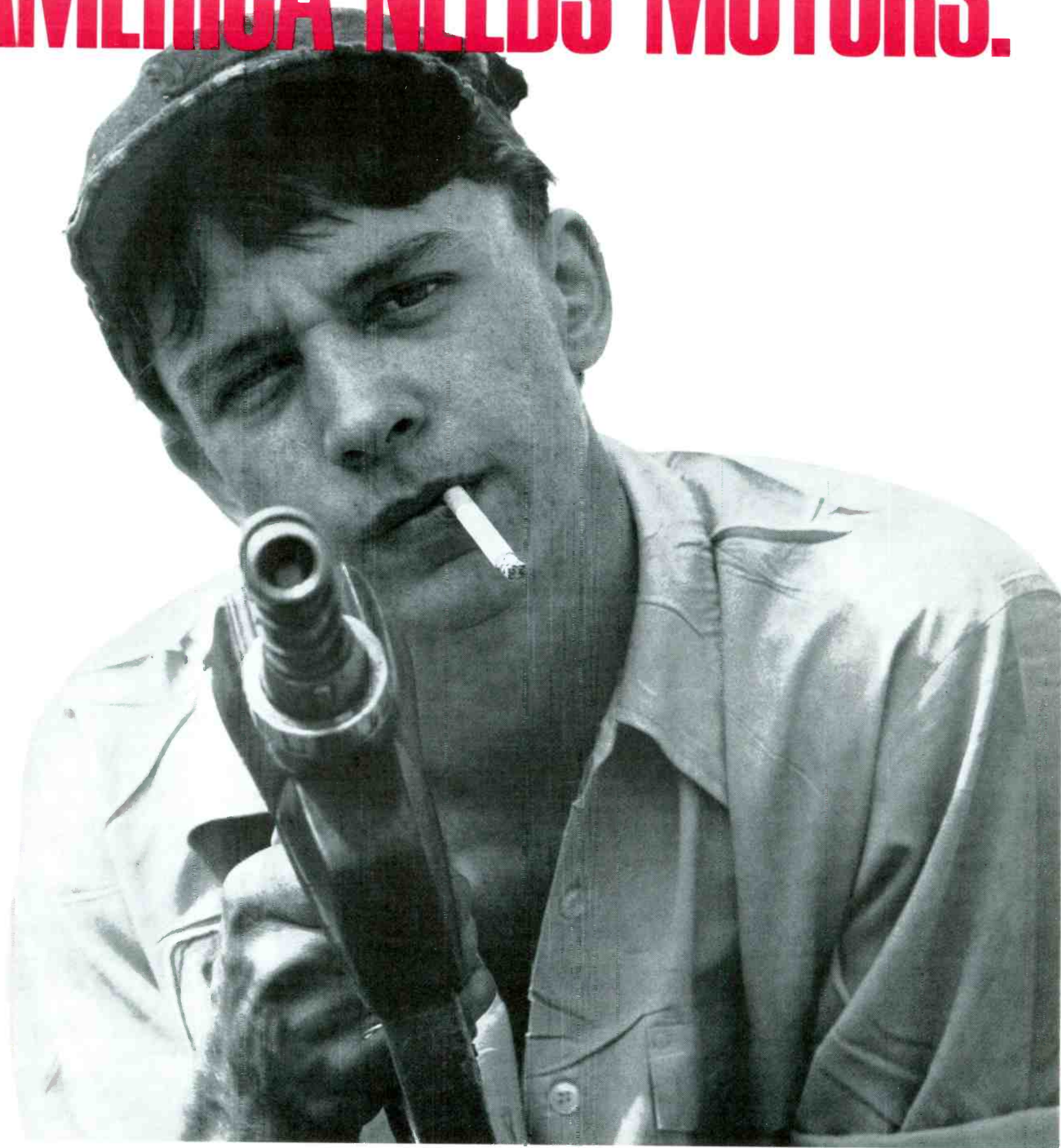
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- ADDS:**
- AIN'T IT SOMETHIN'—James Talley—Capitol
 - BUNDLE OF JOY—Freddie Hubbard—Col
 - FIRE IN THE WIND—John Stewart—RSO
 - IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
 - LITTLE CRIMINALS—Randy Newman—WB
 - LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
 - NEVER LETTING GO—Phoebe Snow—Col
 - SOLSTICE, SOUND & SHADOWS—Ralph Towner—ECM
 - TEACHING AN OLD DOG—Phillip Goodhand-Tait—Chrysalis
 - THE JOY—Fantasy

HEAVY ACTION (airplay):

- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
- KARLA BONOFF—Col
- TERENCE BOYLAN—Asylum
- CSN—Crosby, Stills and Nash—Atlantic
- NETHER LANDS—Dan Fogelberg—Full Moon
- OLD FRIENDS—Mary McCaslin—Philo
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- TERRAPIN STATION—Grateful Dead—Arista
- THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
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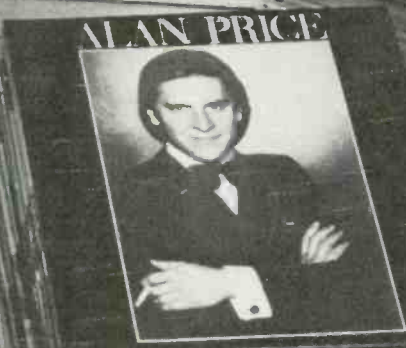


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Diversity of Product Highlights Fantasy's Fall

■ BERKELEY, CALIF. — With the reactivation of the Galaxy label as a vehicle for classic ensemble and solo jazz, and the first wave of titles through the recently acquired Stax catalog, Fantasy/Prestige/Milestone has mapped out a fourth quarter release schedule that will sustain a balance of rock, jazz, r&b and pop titles throughout the final months of 1977. Marketing and merchandising strategies for Fantasy's fall releases are being developed on an act-by-act basis, rather than through any roster-wide theme, in accordance with the greatest diversity to the F/P/M catalog to date.

"It's the largest number of titles Fantasy has ever shipped within a single quarter," explained Fantasy president Ralph Kaffel, "but we don't really intend to focus on that aspect that much; the real importance of the release schedule is, we feel, the high quality of the individual albums, and the number of new artists that will be represented." He added that forthcoming releases will include both new artists and established acts making their label debut.

In-store support will be tailored to the individual act and include a variety of posters, streamers, display pieces and other point-of-purchase tools. Advertising programs will cover consumer and trade print and multiple format radio advertising, with spots and layouts to be tied into touring activity.

August

Already in release but continuing as priorities throughout the fall are F/P/M late August releases. Fantasy label releases include Stanley Turrentine's "Nightwings," a self-produced set arranged by Claus Ogerman and already showing the artist's most rapid sales acceptance to date in its first weeks in release; "Midnight Rider," Tommy James' second lp for the label and first collaboration with producer/writer Jeff Barry (who penned James' first major hit, "Hanky Panky"); The Blackbyrds' "Action," produced by Donald Byrd, which follows two previous gold albums and is slated as the focal point for a major push to further expand the band's audience base; "Guarabé" by vibes soloist Cal Tjader; and the second volume of "Ellington Is Forever" by Kenny Burrell, a two-disk package of Ellington compositions performed by the veteran guitarist.

Also included is the Fantasy debut album for vocalist Paulette McWilliams, original lead vocalist for Rufus and a member of that band's precursor, American Breed. Titled "Never Been Here Before," the set was produced by Gary

Loizzo.

Milestone is being represented with the release of Ron Carter's "Piccolo," a two-disk live set marking the first recorded appearance for Carter's quartet and its unusual complement of two string bassists; also released is "The Great Concert of Cecil Taylor," a three-record set on Prestige.

September

Late September releases are slated to include the third Fantasy album by Side Effect, whose second album neared gold after yielding three consecutive r&b hits. Produced by Wayne Henderson, "Going Bananas" will be both the lp title and the first single from the set, with greater emphasis on disco exposure planned and both promotion and marketing plans to use the title as a unifying theme. Also scheduled is the second album by the David Bromberg Band, "Reckless Abandon," which follows Bromberg's label debut and best selling release to date, "How Late'll Ya Play Till," and, like the Side Effect

lp, will provide broad marketing hooks through its title and cover art. Bromberg's first lp for the label, "Reckless Abandon," was produced by Jim Price; according to Kaffel, "the previous album was more self-contained but this lp adds a lot of outside players and a more commercial feel without diluting Bromberg's basic identity."

Cover art by cartoonist and graphic artist B. Kliban, himself a best-seller through a recent series of books, will be used for over-sized posters and provide another vehicle for cross-promotions.

Other September titles include Impact's second album and first Fantasy release, "The Pack is Back," produced by Philadelphia r&b veteran John Davis, and featuring lead vocalist and former Temptation Damon Harris. Signed to F/P/M through WMOT Records, Impact was represented earlier in the summer with their first single release.

Two debut works set for September are headed by the first

Fantasy album by The Joy, featuring singer/songwriters Toni Brown and Terri Garthwaite, founding members of the original Joy of Cooking and subsequently solo artists. "The Joy" was produced at Fantasy's Berkeley studios by Michael Stewart.

Also making his label debut is vocalist, songwriter and instrumentalist Johnny Reason, whose self-titled first album will be shipped on the At Home label directed by producer Wayne Henderson.

Prestige releases for September are monopolized by the four multiple-disk sets comprising "The Duke Ellington Carnegie Hall Concerts," marking the first authorized release for recordings of the late composer's epochal '40s Carnegie shows. Newly-mastered from the original acetates as restored by Jerry Valban, the series includes Ellington's concerts in 1943, 1944, 1946 and 1947, respectively; the 1943 concerts are represented with a three-disk package, including the premiere of Ellington's "Black, Brown and Beige," while the other three releases will be two record sets.

Stax Reactivation

Through Fantasy's recent acquisition of the classic Stax catalog, the F/P/M fall release schedule will unveil the first of several planned packages of previously unreleased material by Stax artists, as well as the first new title to be produced on Stax since Fantasy's acquisition, "Off The Wall," by Fat Larry's Band. The self-produced work is the group's second and first for Stax.

New Product

Also newly released will be "Chronicle" by Johnnie Taylor, which brings to Stax the anthology format first used by F/P/M with Creedence Clearwater Revival, starting with Taylor's first major chart hit and then following it chronologically with his best known releases throughout his affiliation with Stax. Previously unreleased is another Stax title, "The Pinch," by Albert King. In October and November, key Stax releases will include a previously unreleased Isaac Hayes album, "Good Love," and The Emotions' "Sunshine," also containing unreleased tracks.

Other Releases

Other key pop r&b and rock releases during the last two months will include albums by The Checkmates, Ltd., the Hoodoo Rhythm Devils, Country Joe McDonald, The Boppers, and Pleasure, while new releases by new two-disk anthologies jazz artists will include lps from Prestige. Bill Evans and McCoy Tyner (on Milestone). F/P/M's "twofer" series will also be represented.

Early Sales Buoy ABC Records & Tapes

By ALAN WOLMARK

■ ABC Records and Tapes of Hackensack, New Jersey is looking ahead to a very good Christmas because of increased sales so early in the season which Bob Pockrandt, vice president of operations, says indicate a strong trend which should follow through to at least the year's end. ABC's major objective, as a rack jobber, will be to make the products that people want, readily available.

This record merchandising operation has no apprehensions about the new higher list prices affecting the Christmas market because, although initially the higher list caused a sales slowdown, a lot of higher priced product is now enjoying astronomical action. Pockrandt has observed that it "all depends on the availability of product. At no matter what price, they'll buy what they want." This is traditionally true around the holiday season.

Along the lines of increasing the availability of product Pockrandt said, "The company will be exercising a better mix of product." Cut-outs and budget priced merchandise, which seem to be attracting an ever-widening audience, will be extensively displayed along with the higher priced items. Not only does this satisfy a demanding public but affords a larger potential profit for retailers and therefore more cooperation—a very positive and beneficial business cycle.

Current hit product is expected to carry through to the holiday season in addition to whatever major releases will be timed for the next three months' heavy sales. Essentially no new marketing or promotional ideas on ABC's part, other than the usual merchandising, will accompany the record sales.

But with the definite increase in the demand for pre-recorded music, ABC will be expanding the tape departments in many stores. Cassettes will become very prominently displayed and much additional cassette fixturing will be installed. To discourage rip-offs, locked fixtures will most often continue to be used along with overhead encasings.

For the customers' convenience and to help further boost holiday sales, a color-coded record and tape finder system will be initiated at many retailers. This illustrates a sales theme followed by ABC for a number of years, according to Pockrandt, which has been "better merchandising through better product presentation."

With the market for actual Christmas product remaining fairly stable in recent years ABC will not be expanding in this direction, but will be emphasizing their usual broad selection of such titles. Cut-outs and economy items will receive particular attention, and heavy promotion on radio is thus far planned.

Display Items Are a Priority at Mercury

■ With merchandising becoming an increasingly important factor in securing that across-the-counter record and tape sale, Phonogram, Inc./Mercury Records is, more than ever, making merchandising pieces available to retail stores.

"Recent marketing research we have conducted leads me to conclude that next to radio airplay, what is in the retail store is most important in motivating sales," stated Jules Abramson, senior vice president/marketing for Phonogram/Mercury. "Possibly that is why good distributing sales organizations are building merchandising staffs to complement the sales staff."

Abramson stated that within the next few months to a year, he expected to see even more elaborate album packages which in themselves can be attractive merchandising pieces.

"Many people still think that posters and T-shirts are important and for small, localized campaigns this is true," Abramson said. "But not enough pieces can be made to have a national impact because of the sheer number of units one would have to make."

One way to make the merchandising pieces effective is in conjunction with retail display contests. Abramson pointed out that during the recent fall sales plan, which included selected lp dis-



counts and delayed dating, Phonogram tied in display contests.

"The idea was expanded on by Phonodisc, our distribution company, so that \$30,000 in prize money was also available. The prize money was subdivided into territories with one to five different contests going on in each area. The top winner of the local contests are judged for the national grand prizes."

Abramson pointed out that in conjunction with these contests, a total of six posters and two mobiles were made available featuring albums released in August and September, plus other recent merchandising aids on albums re-

leased during the summer.

All merchandising aids are coordinated through George Balos, merchandising manager for Phonogram/Mercury. With very few exceptions, all posters, mobiles, etc., are designed by Balos. Recently, Balos has designed posters for Rush, Thin Lizzy, City Boy, Patrick Gleeson, Larry Gatlin (on Monument Records, marketed by Phonogram), and a mobile. Harry Losk, national sales manager of Phonogram/Mercury, elaborated on the new merchandising aids.

"Album graphics are so important to a sale that we (Mercury) feel that when we have a particularly strong cover, we should use

that in itself." Losk pointed out the City Boy's "Young Men Gone West," Gatlin's "Love Is Just A Game," and Patrick Gleeson's "Star Wars" albums all have two foot square, four color blow-ups of the front cover artwork.

"In the case of Rush's 'A Farewell To Kings' and Thin Lizzy's 'Bad Reputation,' we wanted to expand beyond just lp art," Losk said. Both the Rush and Thin Lizzy posters are two feet by three feet. "For Rush we commissioned an artist to paint a likeness of the three group members, which is the focal point of their poster, along with the new and catalogue albums. For Thin Lizzy, we used a very striking black and white photo that is on the inside of the jacket as the focal point. In both cases, the faces of the members of the groups are well known to the consumer, and we wanted to make sure our point of purchase materials spoke to that point."

Losk pointed out that new albums by Graham Parker and the Bar-Kays will also have merchandising aids to be determined, although Abramson indicated that the Parker album package will have a "postage stamp" type of merchandising piece in the album package itself. The stamps tie into the album title, "Stick To Me," and the cover which features various stamp size photos of the group members.

Chrysalis' Colorful Merchandising Collage

■ Sal Licata, senior vice president of Chrysalis Records, has announced a creative merchandising campaign for the company's fall releases, coordinating the efforts of sales, promotion and publicity into a package designed to reach the consumer on all levels of awareness.

Chrysalis released six albums in September, shipped in two separate segments. Robin Trower's "In City Dreams," "Dizrythmia" from Split Enz, and "Weekend Rendezvous" from Racing Cars shipped to the independent distributors on Sept. 9. The Babys' second lp "Broken Heart," "Intoxication" from Rory Block, and Phillip Goodhand-Tait's "Teaching An Old Dog New Tricks" shipped on the 14th.

"We intend to make our artists visible on every level," says Licata, "so that no matter where they turn—in the press, on the radio, while shopping in record stores, they will be made aware of these new albums." These efforts will be coordinated through Billy Bass, vice president of promotion, Russ Shaw, vice president of artist development & publicity, and

Stan Layton, national sales manager. "Because we have no new releases after September, we will be working with these six artists through the new year," stressed Licata. "We are fortunate enough to have several of these artists on tour during this period, which will put us directly in touch with those who are most affected by their music."

Trower

Robin Trower's sixth lp, "In City Dreams," which shipped on September 9th, will have all merchandising and sales efforts coinciding with his tour, which begins the end of the month. An attractive packaging design by long-time friend Funky Paul will be the cornerstone of the campaign. 23" x 23" posters of the lp cover, "winged" mobiles and styrofoam standup displays, plus specially-produced metal flight pins and four-color stickers will be given away as promotions through coordinated radio contests.

Chrysalis' campaign for "Weekend Rendezvous" will be geared heavily toward radio contests and in-store airplay. Specially-pro-

duced key chains will be given away on the air, with easel-back displays and posters of the cover being supplied to retailers. In addition, the album is being serviced in the September issue of 12x12, and t-shirts depicting the group's logo will be given out to press, radio, retail, and consumers during Racing Cars November tour of the states.

New Zealanders Split Enz return to America with their second lp "Dizrythmia," the technical term for jet lag. Posters and mobiles will be utilized for the new album, and Split Enz planter heads, used as a promotional item for the first lp, will again be issued.

The second album from The Babys shipped on September 14th, two days after an international party hosting the album to distributors in England, Germany and the United States.

Merchandising will center on the cover photography by Vogue's Charles W. Bush. Specially produced 12" x 12" steel framed mirrors, which may be hung or stood upright, will be used for promotional giveaways to radio, retail

and press. Contests will be coordinated through radio stations participating in the group's 35-city headline tour which begins on October 14th. Ticket prices for the shows will reflect the dial frequency of the station in each particular market. For display purposes, two sizes of mylar cover posters, both 12" x 12" and 23" x 23" will be utilized.

Celebrating the group's headline dates at Santa Monica Civic in Los Angeles and their Palladium concert in New York City, Chrysalis will unveil billboards both on Sunset Strip and in Times Square for October and November. French-cut t-shirts will be employed throughout the tour.

Singer/songwriter Rory Block's debut Chrysalis release, "Intoxication" was released on the 14th also, with specially packaged gift sets of champagne inscribed with the recipient's name being used as an introductory gift for radio and press persons. Songwriter Phillip Goodhand-Tait's new album, "Teaching An Old Dog New Tricks," will be promoted through posters and related display material for in-store use.

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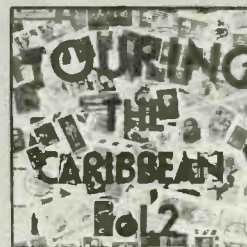
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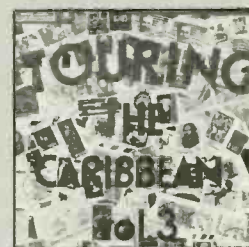
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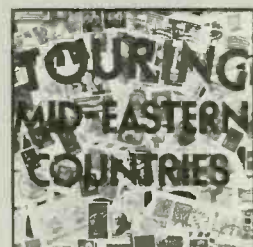
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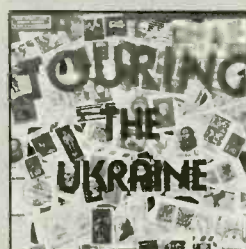
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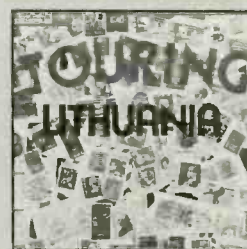
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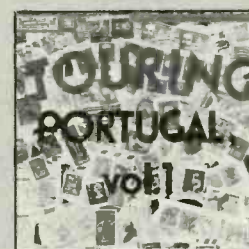
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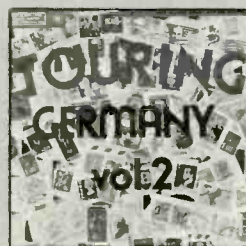
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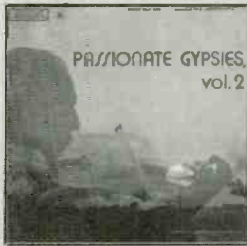
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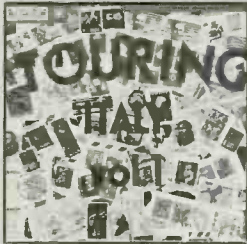
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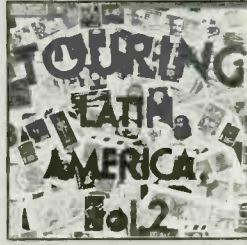
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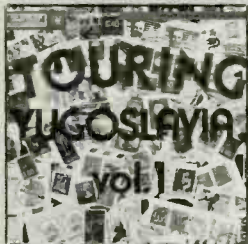
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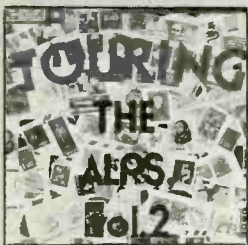
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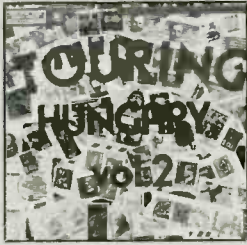
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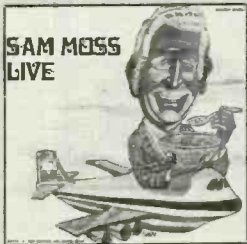
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Retailer Augments Records With Profit Book Dept.

By DAVID MCGEE

■ Jerry Laux had known the record retailing business just about as well as you can know it. He had been the record and book department manager for a major discount department store in suburban Washington, D.C. for nine years.

But then he decided he wanted to do his own record thing, going out on his own, with a 2,000 square ft. record store in a neighborhood shopping plaza.

To make a go of it, in what he describes as an extremely competitive local market for records, he had to attract record buying traffic with an extra ingredient—something his competitors weren't offering.

That extra ingredient turned out to be books.

Books, reasoned Laux, provided

a more attractive mix of merchandise. He wouldn't have to depend solely on records to survive. Books and records are complementary: both involved leisure activity, both are bought frequently as gift items. And the traffic from one helps the other.

Laux discovered the Profit Book Department system which provides a complete "small bookstore" for the retailer, including layout plans and fixtures. As well, the PBD offers the services of experienced books sellers to manage selection and inventory control and greatly reduces the enormous amount of time and paperwork which would be necessary to deal with hundreds of publishers individually.

Just as in records, selection is the key to operating a successful book department, and Laux found

that the selection in the PBD is superior. "It's not just best-sellers and mass market paperbacks," he comments. "Customers often finds books in my shop that are not available in major chains."

Also, the PBD's microfilm reader system for special orders allows storekeepers to replenish their stock quickly and serves much the same function as a record one-stop.

Laux began his operation in a Springfield, Virginia neighborhood shopping plaza rather than in a large regional mall. A small, individual operation without heavy financing, Laux's store is operated within strict budget limitations. His stock includes \$20,000 worth of records in 1000 square feet of space; \$29,000 in books in 1000 square feet; \$1000 of maga-

zines. The idea is to appeal to the adult market with the books and to the youth market with the records and hope for some overlap. Laux admits to initial fears that the records would drive adults out of the store, but says that he solved the problem—or potential problem—by placing the book department at the front of the store and the records at the rear. Although adults were initially attracted to the books and kids to the records, as expected, both markets soon augmented each other. Now that customers are familiar with the store, Laux finds his business increasing for both books and records. Kids he says, buy more books than he had expected, which is not so surprising in light of the fact that PBD selection covers school reading assignments.

Barry White Campaign Tops 20th's Fall Plans

■ Riding the crest of a blockbuster year, 20th Century-Fox Records has begun a creatively ambitious and elaborate merchandising campaign for its fall releases. Heading this campaign is the first Barry White album in almost a year, "Barry White Sings For Someone You Love." The first single from the lp, "It's Ecstasy When You Lay Down Next To Me," is rapidly rising on the pop, r&b and MOR charts and the album contains the full seven-minute version of it. Arnie Orleans, 20th's senior vice president and director of marketing, has created a totally new concept for the album's jacket that will maximize the album's in-store appearance.

The album jacket's front features a silver locket resting across a mat of gray fur. Equal units of the album have been pressed with the color of the fur varying from black to gray and brown to beige so the consumer may select whichever is most visually pleasing to him or her. Striking in-store displays have been designed to capitalize on this multi-color effect.

Shunning the traditional 30 second and 60 second radio spots, Barry White has recorded 90 second radio commercials in which he talks directly to the listener about his new album and plays highlights from it. An appearance on NBC's "Midnight Special" will be included in a schedule of tele-

vision performances for Barry, highlighted by a special "Merv Griffin Show" in which Merv will devote his entire 90 minutes to the music of Barry White.

Having emerged triumphant in the motion picture soundtrack album division with a platinum album signifying sales exceeding one million units of "Star Wars," 20th Century-Fox Records is now tackling the traditionally difficult area of comedy albums with Sandy Baron's lp, "How I Found God, Zen, Yoga, est, Arica, Sufi, Scientology, TM . . . and my life Still Sucks!" 20th is again utilizing the 90 second radio spot here as an important tool. The specially recorded commercial features Sandy talking directly to the lis-

tener and playing cuts from his album. 20th also plans to support Sandy's frequent talk show and game show television guestings with television, newspaper and magazine advertisements. Sandy also plans to visit key record shops and radio stations to autograph and promote his album.

"Jigsaw," the new album by Jigsaw, contains their current hit single, "If I Have To Go Away," as well as their previous top 10 smash, "Sky High." A cross-country concert tour is being planned to debut the new material on "Jigsaw," the album will be supported by TV, radio and print ads, as well as in-store mobiles, posters and many television performances.

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of the efforts of these departments is crucial and is managed through a day-to-day dialogue among the staff management and field management personnel.

From this continual exchange of information, we create display pieces according to what we feel will be the most effective marketing strategy at that point in the development of a particular album.

For example, the Heatwave album is exploding on its strength as an album as well as on the strength of the single "Boogie Nights." Such a hit single calls for the album to be moved into a very prominent position at all locations to catch the high level of consumer awareness. We have the task here of promoting the group and the album into a prominence equal to the popularity of the hit song. The group Heatwave is the future on which we build

using the success of the song, "Boogie Nights."

A market that grabs a great amount of attention with a reputation for consistent selling artists is the black music market. Artists such as the O'lays, Lou Rawls, MFSB, The Isley Brothers, The Jacksons, Patti Labelle, Nona Hendryx, and Billy Paul will all have new albums released during this season.

We also have new albums coming on several artists whom we expect the merchandising effort to be rather inaugurative. The artists are Starcastle, Dexter Wansel, Rick Nelson, Jean Carn, Wet Willie, George Duke, Dave Loggins, Nona Hendryx, Doc Severinsen, and Edgar Winter, who has re-formed the White Trash band. All of these artists have recorded albums that sold in the 100,000-400,000 range which indicates that there is a good base of

awareness for them at retail.

There is a particular concern for having visual aids at point of purchase during this season with the activity that is generated during a back-to-school period that segues into the year's longest holiday season. Recognizing that fact, we have made an effort to really synthesize in our visual aids the elements that could be most appealing to specific types of audiences when at times in the development of an album or an artist we have to focus most intensely on specific demographic groups.

At the early stages of development are several promising new names on our roster: Meatloaf; The Motors; Network; Kitchen; and Dragon. Though they are not as yet accomplished to a degree that requires a great amount of support materials, they are very strong musically as evidenced by

the response to music samples which we have tested.

A very exciting merchandising project for this season arose when the Lifesong label joined the Associated Labels family. We have prepared a special merchandising package for the Jim Croce catalogue consisting of five albums all list priced at \$7.98 and all proven to be good holiday items over recent past seasons. We will have large ad repros, in-store eye-catching posters which will have a direct sell concept, and there will be special dealer memos to coordinate retailer and mass merchandiser personnel in their efforts. We will also continue to develop the rest of the Lifesong roster.

Another major merchandising campaign, pulling out all stops, is being launched to support the release of "Carole King's Greatest Hits."

For Odyssey, Merchandising Is the Heart of the Matter

■ Holiday marketing plans for the Odyssey Records stores include a heavy influence of manufacturer programs in addition to merchandising geared up for the Christmas season.

"To a large extent the programs will influence our buying," stated Richard Bullock, principal. "We set up to respond to programs almost totally during the fourth quarter of the year, and we will merchandise anything that has a program on it. To a large extent, that will determine what we sell in December."

Higher list prices will not hurt this year's Christmas season business at Odyssey, according to the executive. "I think the higher list price will affect the number of units sold, not the dollar volume," explained Bullock, "and we'll push the \$6.98's as hard as we can, and sort of hold the \$7.98's in the background."

Odyssey will also see "a strong push on \$4.98 during the holiday and emphasis on 'two-for's,'" stated Bullock in further describing price-related selling during the holiday period.

"The big thing in connection with the \$7.98 lps," observed the

owner, "is that the tape market is growing fantastically, particularly in the area of the cassette, although the 8-track has also shown a major surge." Bullock added that Odyssey stores will continue to merchandise tape during the Christmas rush "as we've always done."

While Odyssey Records stores will sell a great number of "hit" records during the upcoming season, Bullock expects that a more widespread sales pattern can emerge from holiday selling.

"We're finding a greater variety of product today," commented Bullock, "with considerably more classics selling along with jazz, and other areas are becoming stronger in the holiday season itself."

Merchandising, according to the owner, is at the heart of the matter. "I think that when you merchandise correctly you bring the older buyer in," explained Bullock, "and that older buyer may buy a gift for a young person, but in the process they may buy something for themselves if you've merchandised correctly."

While Christmas albums have not been uniformly good sellers

at some other retailers, Odyssey has experienced "a very strong sell-through." Bullock noted that he tried to purchase Christmas music on programs also. "We try to buy them during the program periods and that's when we're principally interested."

Because of buying through programs, Bullock does not expect a large number of extra titles in his stores during the Christmas season. "Our number of titles are pretty heavy to begin with," noted Bullock, "so only as it's influenced by programs will the number of titles increase."

In line with stressing the number of programs that will influence purchases, Bullock pointed out that cutouts will be in the background during the Christmas season, although the stores "will bring them out very strongly after the first of the year."

Bullock believes that there are generally three types of Christmas music, and that each has to be merchandised in a specific manner.

"The hit Christmas product is hit product and it should be merchandised like any other hit prod-

uct," pointed out Bullock, "and then there are Christmas records which are somewhat standardized, and then there are classics. Classical Christmas music is a repeat buyer product, or people who are responding to broadcasts of that music, and I think it is real important that the manufacturer try to get the radio stations to play that sort of product. In terms of pop Christmas hits, it's there and people respond to it because it's merchandised and they're in the store and they're thinking Christmas. As our inventory gets lower and lower," explained Bullock, "we merchandise Christmas more and more so it works out well for us."

While imports play a strong part in the Odyssey merchandising plans as a general trend, the stores will be stocking more of selected titles, rather than ordering additional catalogue. "We're getting to the point where we're bringing in large quantities of single releases rather than a large quantity of various things," noted Bullock. "We're going deeper on certain numbers, but this is a general trend, not something that happens only at Christmas."

London's 30th Anniversary Product Push

■ Major merchandising campaigns are being launched by London Records to coincide with the release of all new product for the company's 30th Golden & Platinum Anniversary.

With many significant album releases scheduled for the next few months, London is carefully preparing specific merchandising campaigns tailor-made to each new release.

Slated for mid-September release are three important new albums for London.

"Pearl" will be making their debut with their lp titled "Pearl." London has prepared a special "surprise" promotion piece that will be sent to select print and radio contacts across the country, as well as to all distributors. A comprehensive press kit containing bio information and photographs of the Los Angeles-based sister team of songwriter Leslie and singer Debbie Pearl, as well as a "Pearl" poster have been prepared.

London is also readying plans to officially celebrate the opening of the company's new West Coast office with a major party for Los Angeles press, radio, distributors, retailers and friends to coincide with the release of "Pearl."

From one of Canada's most popular rock groups comes "April Wine, Live At The El Mocambo." Recorded live at Toronto's famed

350-seat El Mocambo where April Wine opened the show for the Rolling Stones earlier this year, this is the group's second album for London. In Canada, April Wine are superstars, with four gold albums and two platinum albums. A massive campaign has been prepared which includes a four color poster and a three-phase teaser ad campaign highlighting the live conception of the album.

"Erotic Soul" is currently the hottest new 12" disco single climbing the national disco charts by the Larry Page Orch. London is rush-releasing their debut album titled "Erotic Soul." Also slated for mid-September release, the album is also available on 8-track tape. A major national media push is being readied which will include national trade and consumer ads as well as special radio spots. A press kit including bio and photographs will be available.

On Phase 4 Stereo, 10 albums are slated for mid-September release. They are "Webb Country" by Ronnie Aldrich; "Give My Regards To Broadway" by Edmundo Ros; "Coast To Coast" by Ted Heath; "Vintage '52" by Frank Chacksfield; "Scotland" by John Keating; "Viennese Carnival" by Will Glahe; "Machucambos Today" by Los Machucambos; "Sound Of Pageantry" by the

Band Of The Grenadier Guards; and "Silver Jubilee" by the Grenadier Guards And Scots Guards. Both The Band of the Grenadier Guards and The Scots Guards are currently touring the United States in celebration of Queen Elizabeth's Silver Jubilee. Ads are being placed in various program journals across the country.

A special Phase 4 Stereo record Sampler has been manufactured for in-store promotional use and for select national press. This will be the first Phase 4 Stereo Sampler, and will highlight choice selections from the ten new releases on the brilliance of Phase 4 Stereo.

Scheduled for release in mid-October are two additional albums in the highly-successful and specially-priced London Collector Series, by Cat Stevens titled "Cat's Cradle" and John Mayall & Eric Clapton titled "Blues Breakers." All albums in the series are priced at a low \$5.98.

A special sampler is also available for the current London Collector releases.

Coinciding with the success of "The Moody Blues, Caught Live + 5" and the official announcement of the upcoming Moody Blues reunion in a Los Angeles recording studio and a subsequent album, London Records has sponsored a unique Moody Blues "giveaway." London has donated

a specially-commissioned oil painting valued at \$1,500 of The Moody Blues by artist Jim Cooper to The New York Daily News, the world's largest circulation daily newspaper. The Daily News will offer the painting and 10 complete Moodies album catalogues to its readers. Winners will be picked from a random drawing of postcards mailed directly to The Daily News.

To better communications with retailers across the country, London is also establishing a mailing list of 1,400 retail stores. These retailers will regularly be receiving all promotional and sales aids direct to their stores. The retail list will serve to keep store owners well informed of all company promotions and product.

In a similar vein, London has instituted two new avenues of increased communications with press and radio as well as distributors and retailers. All of these contacts will receive on a regular basis "What's The Word" and "What The Papers Say."

"What's The Word" is a brief summary of events, announcements, artist signings, tour info, newsworthy bits and pieces of information, and other similar items in words and pictures.

"What The Papers Say" is a collection of select press clippings that have appeared on London's artists in the press.

Retailers Gear Up for Holiday Season

(Continued from page 24)

last year RCA and Columbia made all their big Christmas albums \$4.98 list when they had previously been \$5.98 and \$6.98. Evidently they had sold enough Mathis Christmas or something that they decided they couldn't sell any more at a high price because the demand has decreased. This year I was just given the MCA Christmas list: last year the albums were all \$6.98; this year they're all \$4.98. The demand is decreasing but there seem to be more Christmas records than ever, more titles, which helps confuse us. We try to have a good spread of product in the stores.

Are you planning to increase the number of titles available in Christmas records in your stores?

Bergman: It'll be pretty much the same as last year. I imagine we'll have more depth, but pretty much the same titles. There's not that many titles out there.

Bressi: Last year we carried almost every title we could get our hands on, and we'll probably do the same thing this year.

Dobin: No, we probably will decrease. Last year we had one of the biggest spreads imaginable and were not that successful. It's becoming almost complete budget lines. Pickwick and Springboard are making a rather big dent in the market, which I think helped convince the majors to reduce prices.

Goody: We'll probably carry the same number of titles in Christmas records in our stores this year. Approximately the same.

Karol: I don't see how we could do that because we carry a complete line at all times anyway.

Keenan: We have traditionally ordered every single Christmas album that's available. There won't be any increase this year, but whatever's available we'll pick up. We had the depth pretty well scoped last year too. We learned not to run out of the hits and to carry enough of the other stuff to get us through. There's not that much demand, so once you run out of something you just don't reorder it.

Milliken: I probably will decrease the number of titles available in Christmas records. I'll decrease them in the sense that I'll pay a little more attention to what sells. As we get a little more sophisticated we keep records and we remember and are able to check on what didn't sell last year. We took in 100 Aretha Franklin records and sold 25. So this year I'll buy 30, not 100.

Smolen: I think I'll carry about the same thing I did. If anything I'll probably cut down on the number of titles and concentrate on the top sellers. More depth.

Cutouts and budget merchandise seem to be attracting an ever-widening audience. Are you planning to capitalize on this during the holiday season?

Bergman: We're doing a much better job with budget product. On cutouts we do only a fair job, because we're very picky about cutouts. But we're carrying more and more budget product and we're happier with the sales we're getting.

Bressi: Unfortunately, because of space, we're going to be in a situation where we're going to have to cream the cutouts. We have to give our available space to the higher priced items in regular goods. What we're going to sell is the bigger ticket. Cutouts really take a back seat at Christmastime to the higher line goods. But the selection of cutouts is great right now.

Dobin: We continue to look for cream cutouts, and we're still not seeing very many. We're starting to buy things that in the past we did not consider cream, and they've been reasonably successful. But we're going to look as hard as ever for cutouts. Again, cutouts are becoming more attractive for the simple reason that regular stock albums are increasing in price.

Goody: We've always carried budget merchandise and cutouts. As far as merchandising them, it'll be business as usual. We do everything we can to help move them if they're profitable.

Karol: Budget items are tremendous, but not cutouts. Not with us anyway. Our budget items consist of the budget lines of the major companies like RCA, Columbia, Capitol, MCA and a lot of other companies. Pickwick is selling very well. The packaging is quite sophisticated. A lot of consumers don't even think of it as a budget line; they consider it a first-quality line which they can buy at a budget price.

Keenan: We always have, but it depends on what's available. We're worried that a lot of the cutouts we're seeing now are counterfeits. Things are showing up that certain manufacturers just can't believe are out. Their own hit product, in some cases. I also think the price of some of this cutout merchandise is really getting outrageous. We're

into the \$2.85 and \$3.00 bracket, and to make a decent profit on that you've got to sell it at \$3.99. There's a lot of \$6.98 product you sell at \$3.99.

Milliken: You bet. I don't know quite how to capitalize on it. I try to do that 12 months out of the year. I don't intend to do anything different except to buy more and buy deeper.

Smolen: Yes, we always do that. We're going to increase the amount in our store, offer a better selection—although the cutout market seems a little bit duller now than in the past. That's a reflection on the quality of the merchandise.

Import records too have enjoyed a boom year. Are you going to stock more imports and promote them more aggressively than you have during previous holiday seasons?

Bergman: We're stocking a considerable number of imports right now and doing nicely with them. We're just trying to be responsive to the public. It's hard to say what we'll do with imports this year, but we probably won't do any special merchandising on them. We'll let people know where the imports can be found—pretty much what we do during the rest of the year.

Bressi: We're getting much more heavily into the import scene and we're now buying direct from London through Carolina Exports and we're very pleased. For the most part we're treating imports as recorded product rather than imports. If we have an imported Pink Floyd it's in a Pink Floyd bin. We just make sure that all of our sales people are aware of the imports.

Dobin: We actually have been a little dormant in the import department until three or four months ago. Now I think we have an excellent stock of imports. They've been successful. We have step-down coverage, separate browser bins, special header cards, display material; we also have catalogues accessible to customers. We're pretty high on imports.

Goody: That would depend on the funds available for promotion. If a manufacturer wants something promoted we'll get behind it. Really it depends on the nature of the release and the strength of it. If the releases aren't too strong manufacturers might not want to promote them.

Karol: Definitely. Imports are growing very rapidly. Disco imports are selling very well, rock imports are selling very well. International imports are fantastic. And now, all of a sudden, there's a big demand for classical imports. We have special browser cards in our browser bins advertising the fact that these are rock imports or whatever the category of the import is. They're all out where customers can't miss them. It's very interesting to see the way they like to browse through them and usually they find something they like.

Keenan: We've just really gone into imports in the past year. We didn't have them to any degree at all last Christmas. So to us it will be an increase in amount, although I don't know how much of an increase it'll be at this point. And we don't plan any special types of merchandising for the imports at this time either.

Milliken: No. My market does not purchase imports.

Smolen: We sell imports, but not enough to make much difference. We are going to increase our stock, though, during the holidays. But we don't separate them in the store. A record is a record. The people who buy imports know what they're looking for and they usually find it. We do have the catalogues available if they need them. I've found that we sell more imports by filing them with domestic releases. That way you sell imports to the people who aren't looking for imports. And the people who are looking for imports will find them anyway. ☺

Don Dempsey (Continued from page 25)

Topaz and Fools Gold reflect new careers in the making.

Bonoff & Titus

Two of the most distinctive girl singers to show up with new recordings, Karla Bonoff and Libby Titus, will be touring in support of their current releases, and we have very special and unique marketing plans to present these artists in the individual musical direction each has presented. They are both future

stars in the truest sense.

James Taylor's first experience with Columbia has so far reflected a platinum album and now with his second smash single from his "JT" collection, we will be moving toward double platinum. Also, the single release from sister, Kate Taylor, is reflecting growing acceptance at both top 40 and AOR format stations, and an album will follow this fall.

Arista Coordinates Image, Musical Direction

■ "Our aim in every phase of an Arista campaign," says Rick Dobbis, vice president of artist development for the label, "is the coordination of the artist's image and musical direction with our merchandising and advertising. The individual approach always comes first. At the same time, we are attempting to create a unified image for the label, a textural and visual approach that graphically says what Arista is about as a company." In recent months, Arista has been redesigning its merchandising personality to reflect the growth of the label, the success it's had with new artists and acquisitions, the signing of established artists. The type of approach needed was one that asserted an identity that would be effective for all acts on the label's rapidly expanding roster.

For its upcoming schedule of releases, Arista will be, according to Dobbis, instituting a campaign on two fronts. In addition to the individual campaigns assembled for the artists, a "special, unified, multi-product campaign will run, closely tied to the fall selling program, showcasing all the fall re-

leases." Advertising and merchandising will be keyed to four major product groups: AOR, pop, jazz/progressive and r&b/black progressive. With some overlapping, the AOR group divided in two, and a separate area of children's records consisting of "The Muppet Show" and "Free To Be You and Me" (a gold album, and a particularly big holiday seller since its release), the campaign will center around six different sets of posters and mobiles unified by a visual theme. This theme will be carried by all television, radio and print advertising and in-store display pieces.

Steve Dessau, manager of merchandising, sales and distribution went into detail about some of the unique campaigns being launched for upcoming Arista product. He described an "out-of-the-box across-the-board campaign" for the Arista debut of The Dwight Twilley Band, "Twilley Don't Mind," orchestrated to take fullest advantage of a band "on the verge of national attention."

One merchandising device that Dessau cited as having gained overwhelming acceptance on the

retail level is the Promobile, a display piece that unfolds from the shape of a loose-leaf notebook into a six-sided mobile. The piece can be used to showcase six different lps (one features new albums by Barry Manilow, Bay City Rollers, Grateful Dead, Melissa Manchester, Eric Carmen and The Alan Parsons Project) or, in special cases, various facets of a single album. Arista plans to use it for Lily Tomlin's "On Stage"—with one side being the cover art and the other five portraits of Tomlin as characters heard on the lp—and for Passport's "Intergalactic Touring Band."

Materials

Arista will be re-supplying to marketing and distribution personnel materials that were effective in the initial launch of the "Barry Manilow Live" album. Other albums that will be receiving an intense holiday push will

include "The Bay City Rollers Greatest Hits"—a long-lasting display piece is being created to spotlight the "It's A Game" album as well as the hits package—and "The Muppet Show," with in-store pieces depicting the characters from the popular television show.

There will be limited quantities produced of an Eric Carmen "Boats Against The Current" windbreaker, and of a glow-in-the-dark poster to promote The Alpha Band's second Arista lp, "Spark In The Dark." A "revolutionary" styled poster has been distributed in conjunction with Gil Scott-Heron's "Bridges," and the soundtrack album from "The Greatest" will be repackaged to emphasize the hit "The Greatest Love Of All" by George Benson. Also planned is a special campaign for the solo debut of Rick Danko from The Band.

Polydor Plans Promo Film Thrust

■ Polydor Incorporated will support its September 6, September 19, October 3 and October 17 releases with significant merchandising campaigns for such diverse artists as Renee Geyer, Roy Ayers, The Atlanta Rhythm Section, Pat Travers, Gary Burton and Pat Metheny. Posters, personal appearance campaigns, films, streamers, T-shirts, mobiles and radio interview program activities are being coordinated by Polydor's various departments in support of its releases. The Polydor group of labels is composed of Polydor, ECM, Verve, Oyster, MGM, Kolob, Spring and RSO.

In addition to the above, Polydor has found great success in merchandising select artists with short promotional films, which salesmen bring to key accounts and record stores and which their publicity department shows to key booking agents and TV talent coordinators to stimulate booking. This approach has proved successful with Polydor's Canadian rock guitarist Pat Travers and has been instituted with a couple of its new releases by The Jam, one of England's foremost new wave acts, and Jean-Michel Jarre, whose lp "Oxygene," an innovative keyboard and electronic music album was scheduled for release on September 6.

In addition to "Oxygene," Polydor will release six albums on September 6. These will include country singer Mel Street's debut album on Polydor and Mel Tillis' "24 Greatest Hits."

An ECM collection featuring Gary Peacock (with assistance from Keith Jarrett), Collin Walcott, Jack DeJohnette's "Direc-

tions" and a collaboration between John Taylor, Norma Winstone and Kenny Wheeler is also included in this release as is a re-servicing of the Osmonds "Christmas Album," a two record set.

The September 19 release contains the Nektar album "Magic Is A Child," the group's first on Polydor. Randy Pie is also represented in the release with "Fast/Forward."

A two record set of James Brown's "Sex Machine" and a new disco entity currently moving high on international and import charts called Trax are also part of this important release package.

On October 3, Polydor will present the original soundtrack recording of "Record City" for which Freddie Perren composed the fast-paced score; a new Joe Simon album; two ECM offerings by Keith Jarrett and Ralph Towner; and an RSO release composed of albums by Player and John Stewart. Wrapping up this release will be a two record set of the Osmond's "Greatest Hits."

Planned for release on October 17 will be recordings by Teruo Nakamura, Isaac Hayes' debut album for the label, Dave Grusin, Stormin Norman and Suzy, Joe Beck The Fatback Band, Roger Glover (on Oyster) two RSO releases by Smokie and Paul Nicholas. Also present in this release is an unusual four record boxed set: the historical "Nixon Interviews With David Frost."

Future Polydor plans include releases by Rainbow, Pat Travers, Donny and Marie, Chick Corea, Roy Ayers and Tornado.

Rocket:

Building a Faithful Following

■ In 1973 when The Rocket Record Company was founded, the logo was a small train—the little company that could. Now, just four short years and no fewer than seven gold records later, Rocket has modified its logo into a powerful, streamlined train—this is the company that has shown that it can.

Rocket's artist roster is limited to a small, select group of performers. Blue, Colin Blunstone, Brian & Brenda, China, Kiki Dee, The Foster Brothers, Maldwyn Pope, Cliff Richard, Solution and Lorna Wright are the artists signed to Rocket and the work of each is carefully marketed for maximum impact in the most appropriate markets.

Lps

Recently, Rocket has released albums by Scottish recording group Blue ("Another Night Time Flight," produced by Elton John and Clive Franks), Kiki Dee ("Kiki Dee," produced by Elton John and Clive Franks), Cliff Richard ("Every Face Tells A Story," produced by Bruce Welch), Brian & Brenda ("Supersonic Lover," produced by Jay Lewis) and China ("China," produced by Elton John, Clive Franks and China). This is the first time in the history of the record company that this quantity of current albums has been in release and Rocket's staff (Tony

King, executive vice president; Lynn Adam, director of national promotion; Ronnie Lippin, director of national publicity; and Rick Harold, national secondary promotion) is working to build audiences for each artist.

Fall Plans

This fall, Rocket's plans are to continue to pinpoint the most appropriate outlets for each album and, working closely with the artists themselves, to build a faithful following.

Recently, both Cliff Richard and Kiki Dee each went on extensive promotion and publicity tours of the United States in support of their albums. More exposure of this kind, both for them and for Rocket's other artists, is planned. In addition, this summer, The Rocket Road Show, featuring Kiki Dee and Blue, sold out concerts across the United States.

China

In addition to promotion and concert tours, special merchandising and marketing programs have been set for every lp release. "China" (whose members are Davey Johnstone, James Newton Howard, Dennis Conway and Cooker Lo Presti) will be marketed with an eye toward special products (such as "China" cups) in addition to T-shirts, posters, special display material and print and radio advertising.



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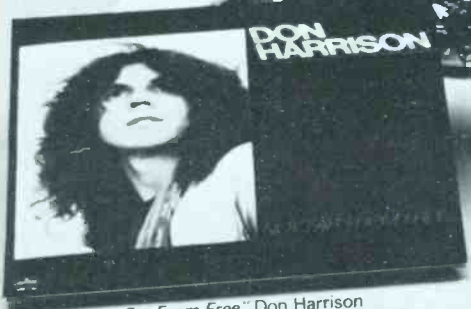
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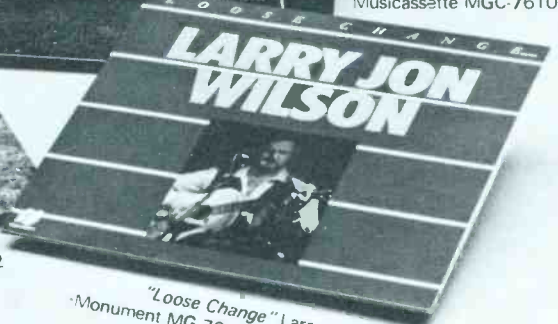
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Copyright Tribunal

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in violation of constitutional intent. The Tribunal will be adjusting statutory royalties in the bill, including the mechanical fee (now 2½ cents per tune) and the juke-box performance royalty (\$8 per box annually). If a suit is filed in Federal court, it is assumed that the plaintiff will be a copyright user, protesting the hike in the royalty rate.

Legal Test

The question that now plagues the Tribunal is who will defend the legality of the panel. Nearly all suits against government agencies are defended by the Justice Department. But because of the Tribunal's neither-fish-nor-fowl status, no one knows if the Justice Department will be required to represent the Tribunal. It may very well turn out that the Tribunal will have to defend itself in court, a highly unusual circumstance in the history of the Federal government and the courts.

As well, **Record World** learned last week that a team of Office of Management and Budget staffers has already been assigned authority to explore means by which the Tribunal's function can be re-organized. The President campaigned last year on a promise to cutback on the number of federal agencies and regulatory boards from the present 500 to around 50. Last spring, Carter balked at making the appointments to the Tribunal, asking OMB if the board's functions could not be moved to an already existing agency. The staff reply was that since the Tribunal was a Congressional agency, it did not presently come under Carter's authority under the recently-passed Re-organization Act. The staff, with the approval of Attorney General Griffin Bell and then-OMB Director Bert Lance, advised the President to make the "initial" appointments and explore avenues of re-organization later.

The task of researching the Tribunal's re-organizability was handed over to OMB staffer Tread Davis and his "General Government Study Team," one of a handful of teams organized within OMB to study across-the-board bureaucracy consolidation.

The Tribunal, it appears likely, will have to be devising a cable TV fee system, hear the cases of those copyright owners and users petitioning for revision of rates, and defend its own existence in the courts and within the White House itself, all at the same time. The five members, however, may have an easier time with their White House-OMB problems: at least three of the five nominees were active in Carter's election campaign.

DISCO FILE

(A weekly report on current and upcoming discotheque breakouts)

By VINCE ALETTI

■ The most important new release this week is **Grace Jones'** much-anticipated "Portfolio" (Island), a superbly crafted album that should bring one of the biggest disco sensations of the year to an even larger audience. In addition to Grace's three previous releases—"That's the Trouble," "Sorry" and "I Need a Man," all in condensed, under-four-minute versions—the album contains a magnificent compelling modern interpretation of **Edith Piaf's** cabaret classic, "La Vie En Rose," and a medley of three recent show tune standards—"Send in the Clowns," "What I Did for Love" and "Tomorrow"—done in the Philadelphia disco style. Of the new material, "La Vie En Rose" (7:27) is the most arresting and exciting, building to an emotional peak from a minimal, delicate, seductively languorous arrangement of piano, guitar and percussion. Grace, singing in both French and English, uses the simplicity of the production as the perfect foil, strutting across it, purring, growling, shouting and whispering like an actress working her lines for all they're worth. Grace doesn't dominate the Broadway medley as easily or as dramatically—at times she seems to strain uncomfortably—but both "Send in the Clowns" and "What I Did For Love" succeed beautifully as pop disco and producer **Tom Moulton** demonstrates a deft handling of Philly soul styling, particularly the orchestration of the creamy backing vocals of **Barbara Ingram**, **Carla Benson** and **Evette Benton**—just the right balance for Grace's robust lead. Only "Tomorrow," the song from "Annie," is a disappointment, primarily because it's no match for the **Stephen Sondheim** and **Marvin Hamlisch** tunes that precede it, but also because the song leaves no room for subtlety or real charm. In the

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Discotheque Hit Parade

(Listings are in alphabetical order, by title)

MY FAIR LADY/DETROIT

DJ: **Michael Melkonian**
THE BULL/BRAZILIAN LULLABY/COSMIC WIND—Mike Theodore Orchestra—Westbound (lp cuts)
CHOVE CHUVA/MAS QUE NADA—Samba Soul—RCA (disco disc)
FROM NOW ON—Linda Clifford—Curtom (lp cut)
I GOT TO HAVE YOUR LOVE—Fantastic Four—Westbound/Atlantic (disco disc)
KEEP IT UP—Nightfall—RCA (disco disc)
LOVE SHOOK/GIRL DON'T MAKE ME WAIT—Patti Brooks—Casablanca (lp cuts)
MY DAYS ARE NUMBERED—John Wells—Polydor (import)
NATIVE NEW YORKER/EASY COME, EASY GO—Odyssey—RCA (disco disc)
WHEN YOU'VE DROPPED YOUR GUARD (LOVE KNOCKS YOU DOWN)—The Knights—Little Star (lp cut)
YOU AND I—Disco Drive—London (import)

THE BOATHOUSE/ REHOBOTH BEACH, DELAWARE

DJ: **Tom Webb**
BLOCK PARTY—Anthony White—Salsoul (disco disc)
CHOVE CHUVA/MAS QUE NADA—Samba Soul—RCA (disco disc)
COME DOWN TO EARTH—Choice Four—RCA (disco disc)
COSMIC WIND/THE BULL—Mike Theodore Orchestra—Westbound (lp cuts)
DAN SWIT ME/FUNKY MUSIC—Patti Labelle—Epic (lp cuts)
DON'T LET ME BE MISUNDERSTOOD—Santa Esmeralda—Philips (import lp cut)
GIRL DON'T MAKE ME WAIT/LOVE SHOOK—Patti Brooks—Casablanca (lp cuts)
I GOT TO HAVE YOUR LOVE—Fantastic Four—Westbound/Atlantic (disco disc)
IT'S ECSTASY WHEN YOU LAY DOWN NEXT TO ME—Barry White—20th Century (disco disc)
NATIVE NEW YORKER/EASY COME, EASY GO—Odyssey—RCA (disco disc)

84 KING STREET/NEW YORK

DJ: **Larry Levan**
BLOOD AND HONEY—Amanda Lear—Direction (import disco disc)
BOURGIE BOURGIE—Ashford & Simpson—Warner Bros. (lp cut)
DEEPER—New Birth—Warner Bros. (disco disc)
I GOT TO HAVE YOUR LOVE—Fantastic Four—Westbound/Atlantic (disco disc)
I'M HERE AGAIN—Thelma Houston—Tamla
LOCKED IN THIS POSITION—Barbara Mason & Bunny Sigler—Curtom (disco disc/lp cut)
SAY YOU WILL—Eddie Henderson—Capitol (lp cut)
SPEAK WELL—Philly USA—West End (disco disc, new mix)
YOUR LOVE IS SO GOOD FOR ME—Diana Ross—Motown (lp cut)

TOWNHOUSE 48/NEW YORK

DJ: **John Benitez**
BLOCK PARTY—Anthony White—Salsoul (disco disc)
DO YOUR DANCE—Rose Royce—Whitfield (lp cut)
DON'T LET ME BE MISUNDERSTOOD—Santa Esmeralda—Philips (import lp cut)
FROM HERE TO ETERNITY—Giorgio—Casablanca (lp cut)
GIRL DON'T MAKE ME WAIT/LET'S MAKE LOVE TO THE MUSIC—Pattie Brooks—Casablanca (lp cuts)
I GOT TO HAVE YOUR LOVE—Fantastic Four—Westbound/Atlantic (disco disc)
IT'S ECSTASY WHEN YOU LAY DOWN NEXT TO ME—Barry White—20th Century (disco disc)
MOON BOOTS—Orlando Riva Sound—Salsoul/Tom & Jerry (disco disc, not yet available)
SPEAK WELL/INSTRUMENTALLY SPEAKING—Philly USA—West End (disco disc, new mix)
WHERE WILL IT END—Love Committee—Gold Mind (disco disc)

DISCO FILE TOP 20

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- COSMIC WIND/THE BULL**
MIKE THEODORE ORCHESTRA/
Westbound (lp cuts)
- I GOT TO HAVE YOUR LOVE**
FANTASTIC FOUR/Westbound/Atlantic
(disco disc)
- IT'S ECSTASY WHEN YOU LAY DOWN
NEXT TO ME**
BARRY WHITE/20th Century (disco disc)
- DON'T LET ME BE MISUNDERSTOOD**
SANTA ESMERALDA/Philips (import
lp cut)
- SAN FRANCISCO/HOLLYWOOD/
FIRE ISLAND**
VILLAGE PEOPLE/Casablanca (lp cuts)
- MUSIC**
MONTREAL SOUND/TK (disco disc)
- NATIVE NEW YORKER/EASY COME,
EASY GO**
ODYSSEY/RCA (disco disc)
- FROM HERE TO ETERNITY/FIRST
HAND EXPERIENCE**
GIORGIO/Casablanca (lp cuts)
- GIRL DON'T MAKE ME WAIT/
LOVE SHOOK**
PATTIE BROOKS—Casablanca (lp cuts)
- SPEAK WELL**
PHILLY USA/West End (disco disc,
new mix)
- BLOCK PARTY**
ANTHONY WHITE/Salsoul (disco disc)
- HEY YOU SHOULD BE DANCING**
GENE FARROW/JA (disco disc)
- JE T'AIME/ON A RIEN A PERDRE/
COEUR A COEUR**
SAINT TROPEZ/Butterfly (lp cuts)
- POP COLLAGE/LET'S MAKE LOVE
TO THE MUSIC**
PATTIE BROOKS/Casablanca (lp cuts)
- AFRICAN QUEENS/QUIET VILLAGE**
RITCHIE FAMILY/Marlin (lp cuts)
- I FEEL LOVE**
DONNA SUMMER/Casablanca
(lp cut/disco disc)
- EROTIC SOUL**
LARRY PAGE ORCHESTRA/London
(disco disc)
- COCOMOTION**
EL COCO/AVI (lp cut)
- WATCH OUT FOR THE BOOGIE MAN**
TRAX/Polydor (lp cut)
- HOLD TIGHT**
VICKI SUE ROBINSON/RCA (disco disc)

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102	101	BLOW IT OUT TOM SCOTT/Ode BL 34966 (CBS)	
103	99	PACIFIC OCEAN BLUE DENNIS WILSON/Caribou PZ 34354 (CBS)	
104	102	PLAYING TO AN AUDIENCE OF ONE DAVID SOUL/Private Stock PS 7001	
105	98	MARVIN GAYE LIVE AT THE LONDON PALLADIUM/Tamla T7 352R2 (Motown)	
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GONE TOO FAR—England Dan & John Ford Coley—Big Tree (7)
YOUR SMILING FACE—James Taylor—Col (7)
BABY WHAT A BIG SURPRISE—Chicago—Col (5)
BLUE BAYOU—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum (5)
LOVER'S HOLIDAY—Engelbert Humperdinck—Epic (5)

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YOUR SMILING FACE—James Taylor—Col
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HERE YOU COME AGAIN—Dolly Parton—RCA
TEN TO EIGHT—David Castle—Parachute
THE WURLITZER PRIZE—Waylon Jennings—RCA
YOUR SMILING FACE—James Taylor—Col

KOY/PHOENIX

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SILVER LADY—David Soul—Private Stock
TEN TO EIGHT—David Castle—Parachute
YOU LIGHT UP MY LIFE—Debbie Boone—Warner/Curb

KIIS/LOS ANGELES

- BOOGIE NIGHTS**—Heatwave—Epic
YOU LIGHT UP MY LIFE—Debbie Boone—Warner/Curb

KSFO/SAN FRANCISCO

- DAYBREAK**—Barry Manilow—Arista
SHE DID IT—Eric Carmen—Arista
YOUR SMILING FACE—James Taylor—Col

Also reporting this week: WHDH, WIP, WLW, WBAL, WMAL, WCCO-FM, WGAR, WNEW, WFTL, KMBZ, KMOX, KULF.
 24 stations reporting.

Emperor at The Roxy



Members of Emperor (Private Stock) were greeted backstage at the Roxy following the group's debut there. Shown from left are (top) Randy Budihas and Mike Lobbett of Emperor; (bottom) Ronnie Raphael, southwest regional promotion manager for Private Stock; Jeff Gonzer of KMET; David Carrico, Private Stock promotion VP; Jody Uttal, director of publicity for the label; Marc Turk, Emperor's manager; Joe Marques, Joe Alexander and Steve Watts of the group and Garret Lambert, KXFM program director.

CLUB REVIEW

Townes Van Zandt's Triumphant Return

NEW YORK — Townes Van Zandt returned to New York to perform at the Lone Star recently, and found his old following glad to welcome him back. He has a new album on Tomato Records, after a period of several years during which his six previous albums have been hard to find and, for northern audiences, Van Zandt himself has been only a rumor.

He lived and performed here in the early seventies, but hadn't been to New York in over four years before the Lone Star stand. He has moved to Nashville from Texas, where he has had more success in getting his songs covered, most notably Emmylou Harris' rendition of "Pancho and Lefty," a remarkable song that is virtually the only basis radio audiences now have for knowing Van Zandt.

"Pancho and Lefty" deserves its acclaim, but Van Zandt showed during his set that the song's compelling story and ironic theme are no fluke. "Mr. Mudd and Mr. Gold," "White Freight Liner Blues," "Loretta," all demonstrate a remarkable way with language and a skill with simple, country or blues-based melodies.

Were his performing skills on a par with his writing talents, Van Zandt would undoubtedly have long since taken his proper place before a much wider audience. But on stage he is decidedly uncomfortable, cutting short his songs and filling the spaces between with banter that has little in common with the music. His laconic humor works when he's singing, but the well received jokes he tells do not serve him well. He travels as a solo performer these days, and

the sparseness of his performance is frequently too severe to hold his listeners. Those who know what's there rivet their attention on him, not wanting to miss a word; for the uninitiated, that effort is likely to be to great to make.

With an lp easily available, and having announced an intention to come north to perform more often, Van Zandt should see his fortunes turning. His songs are so good they are likely to convert all who hear them. Now, he is too well-kept a secret.

Marc Kirkeby

NARM Board Meeting

NEW YORK—A series of meetings involving the NARM Board of Directors, the NARM Manufacturing Advisory Committee, and the 1978 Convention Committee will take place at La Costa in Carlsbad, California from October 1-4.

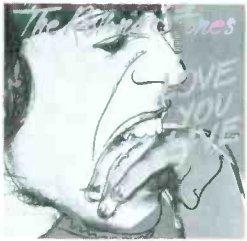
Convention Committee meetings will take up the first two days with the topics of the convention, an evaluation of the newly instituted NARM Regional Meetings and future plans for joint merchandiser - manufacturer projects closing out the sessions on the 3rd and 4th.

Five From MCA

LOS ANGELES—Richard Bibby, vice president/marketing at MCA Records has announced the release of five new albums.

Scheduled for October release are: "Elton John's Greatest Hits, Volume II," his 15th album; "Front Page News" by Wishbone Ash; "Bluegrass Memories" by Bill Monroe; Mel Tillis' eighth album, "Love Troubled Waters," and "Marin County Lines" by The New Riders of the Purple Sage.

SALESMAKER OF THE WEEK



LOVE YOU LIVE
ROLLING STONES
Rolling Stones

TOP SALES

- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis

ABC/NATIONAL

- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
- BARRY WHITE SINGS FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE—20th Century
- BOATS AGAINST THE CURRENT—Eric Carmen—Arista
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- FOGHAT LIVE—Bearsville
- IN PERSON—Elvis Presley—RCA
- KING CREOLE—Elvis Presley—RCA (Soundtrack)
- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- ONE ON ONE—WB (Soundtrack)
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum

CAMELOT/NATIONAL

- BARRY WHITE SINGS FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE—20th Century
- DANCE BAND ON THE TITANIC—Harry Chapin—Elektra
- FOGHAT LIVE—Bearsville
- IN FULL BLOOM—Rose Royce—Whitfield
- LET'S GET SMALL—Steve Martin—WB
- MOODY BLUE—Elvis Presley—RCA
- ONE ON ONE—WB (Soundtrack)
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- STAR WARS—Meco—Millennium
- TOO HOT TO HANDLE—Heatwave—Epic

HANDLEMAN/NATIONAL

- A FAREWELL TO KING—Rush—Mercury
- BABY IT'S ME—Diana Ross—Motown
- BARRY WHITE SINGS FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE—20th Century
- BEAUTY ON A BACK STREET—Daryl Hall & John Oates—RCA
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- FOGHAT LIVE—Bearsville
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- PLAYING TO AN AUDIENCE OF ONE—David Soul—Private Stock
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum

KORVETTES/NATIONAL

- BARRY WHITE SINGS FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE—20th Century
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- LET IT FLOW—Dave Mason—Col
- LET'S GET SMALL—Steve Martin—WB
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- LUNA SEA—Firefall—Atlantic
- SOMETHING TO LOVE—LTD—A&M
- STAR WARS—Meco—Millennium
- THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
- TOO HOT TO HANDLE—Heatwave—Epic

RECORD BAR/NATIONAL

- GREATEST HITS—Neil Sedaka—Rocket
- HOPE—Klaatu—Capitol
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- PATTI LABELLE—Epic
- PLAYMATES—Small Faces—Atlantic
- SEND IT—Ashford & Simpson—WB
- SERGIO MENDES & THE NEW BRASIL '77—Elektra
- THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col
- TRANS-EUROPE EXPRESS—Kraftwerk—Capitol

TWO GUYS/EAST COAST

- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
- A NEW WORLD RECORD—Electric Light Orchestra—UA
- BEAUTY ON A BACK STREET—Daryl Hall & John Oates—RCA
- CARELESS—Stephen Bishop—ABC
- DUSIC—Brick—Bang
- FLOWING RIVERS—Andy Gibb—RSO
- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- NIGHTWINGS—Stanley Turrentine—Fantasy
- STAR WARS—Meco—Millennium
- THE GRAND ILLUSION—Styx—A&M

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- INGRAM—H&L
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- ODYSSEY—RCA
- PATTI LABELLE—Epic
- SEND IT—Ashford & Simpson—WB
- TRANS-EUROPE EXPRESS—Kraftwerk—Capitol

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- ACTION—Blackbyrds—Fantasy
- BABY IT'S ME—Diana Ross—Motown
- BELIEVE—Mass Production—Cotillion
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- GAMES, DAMES & GUITAR THANGS—Eddie Hazel—WB
- IN FULL BLOOM—Rose Royce—Whitfield
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
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- ODYSSEY—RCA
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum

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- DUSIC—Brick—Bang
- FEELIN' BITCHY—Millie Jackson—Spring
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- LUNA SEA—Firefall—Atlantic
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- TOO HOT TO HANDLE—Heatwave—Epic

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- CHICAGO XI—Col
- COME GO WITH US—Pockets—Col
- FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis

- LET'S GET SMALL—Steve Martin—WB
- LIVE—Golden Earring—MCA
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- MAKIN' LOVE & MUSIC—Dr. Hook—Capitol
- ROUGH MIX—Pete Townshend/Ronnie Lane—MCA

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- LIVE—Golden Earring—MCA
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- ROUGH MIX—Pete Townshend/Ronnie Lane—MCA
- TWILLEY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley Band—Arista
- YOUNG, LOUD & SNOTTY—Dead Boys—Sire
- YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY BABY—Esther Philips—Mercury

ONE OCTAVE HIGHER/ CHICAGO

- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
- ANYTIME, ANYWHERE—Rita Coolidge—A&M
- BARRY WHITE SINGS FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE—20th Century
- CRAWLER—Epic
- EVEN IN THE QUIETEST MOMENTS—Supertramp—A&M
- IN COLOR—Cheap Trick—Epic
- IN FULL BLOOM—Rose Royce—Whitfield
- LAKE—Col
- RAM JAM—Epic
- STAR WARS—Meco—Millennium

1812 OVERTURE/ MILWAUKEE

- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
- ACTION—Blackbyrds—Fantasy
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- DIAMANTINA COCKTAIL—Little River Band—Capitol
- ENIGMATIC OCEAN—Jean Luc Ponty—Atlantic
- HOPE—Klaatu—Capitol
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- MAGIC IS A CHILD—Nektar—Polydor
- TAKIN' THE STAGE—Pure Prairie League—RCA

RADIO DOCTORS/ MILWAUKEE

- BABY IT'S ME—Diana Ross—Motown
- BRIDGES—Gil Scott-Heron & Brian Jackson—Arista
- GONE TO EARTH—Barclay James Harvest—MCA
- LET'S GET SMALL—Steve Martin—WB
- LIVE—Golden Earring—MCA
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- ROUGH MIX—Pete Townshend/Ronnie Lane—MCA
- SANFORD-TOWNSEND BAND—WB
- SEND IT—Ashford & Simpson—WB
- STAR WARS—Meco—Millennium

TURTLE/ATLANTA

- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- CRAWLER—Epic
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- IN FULL BLOOM—Rose Royce—Whitfield
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- RAM JAM—Epic
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- TRUST ME—GRT
- TWILLEY DON'T MIND—Dwight Twilley Band—Arista

FRANKLIN MUSIC/ ATLANTA

- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
- BEAUTY ON A BACK STREET—Daryl Hall & John Oates—RCA
- CRAWLER—Epic
- DAYTIME FRIENDS—Kenny Rogers—UA
- GREATEST HITS—Neil Sedaka—Rocket
- I ROBOT—Alan Parsons Project—Arista
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- IN FULL BLOOM—Rose Royce—Whitfield
- KARLA BONOFF—Col
- LET'S GET SMALL—Steve Martin—WB

POPLAR TUNES/MEMPHIS

- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
- BOATS AGAINST THE CURRENT—Eric Carmen—Arista
- DUSIC—Brick—Bang
- HOPE—Klaatu—Capitol
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- IT'S NECESSARY—Jimmy Smith—Mercury
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum
- STILLWATER—Capricorn
- THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col

TAPE CITY/NEW ORLEANS

- BARRY WHITE SINGS FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE—20th Century
- BLOW IT OUT—Tom Scott—Ode
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- CHOOSING YOU—Lenny Williams—ABC
- DEVIL'S GUN—C. J. & Company—Westbound
- DUSIC—Brick—Bang
- LIFELINE—Roy Ayers Ubiquity—Polydor
- LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE—Doobie Brothers—WB
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- SOMETHING TO LOVE—LTD—A&M

RECORD LAND/TEXAS

- BABY IT'S ME—Diana Ross—Motown
- BAD REPUTATION—Thin Lizzy—Mercury
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- COSMIC WIND—Mike Theodore Orchestra—Westbound
- CRAWLER—Epic
- DIAMOND IS A ROCK—Legs Diamond—Mercury
- ENIGMATIC OCEAN—Jean Luc Ponty—Atlantic
- KARLA BONOFF—Col
- LET'S GET SMALL—Steve Martin—WB
- TAKIN' THE STAGE—Pure Prairie League—RCA

SOUND TOWN/DALLAS

- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
- BEFORE WE WERE SO RUDELY INTERRUPTED—Original Animals—Jet
- BOATS AGAINST THE CURRENT—Eric Carmen—Arista
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
- IN CITY DREAMS—Robin Trower—Chrysalis
- IN COLOR—Cheap Trick—Epic
- INTAKES—Rick Nelson—Epic
- PACIFIC OCEAN BLUE—Dennis Wilson—Caribou
- POWER & LOVE—Manchild—ChiSound

INDEPENDENT RECORDS/ DENVER

- ACTION—Blackbyrds—Fantasy
- BARRY WHITE SINGS FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE—20th Century
- BEAUTY ON A BACK STREET—Daryl Hall & John Oates—RCA
- DUNE—David Mathews—CTI

- FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
- FROM HERE TO ETERNITY—Georgio—Casablanca
- INTO SOMETHING—O. V. Wright—Hi
- KARLA BONOFF—Col
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- POWER & LOVE—Manchild—ChiSound

ODYSSEY/SOUTHWEST & WEST

- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
- BRIDGES—Gil Scott-Heron & Brian Jackson—Arista
- BROKEN HEART—The Babys—Chrysalis
- BUNDLE OF JOY—Freddie Hubbard—Col
- ENIGMATIC OCEAN—Jean Luc Ponty—Atlantic
- KARLA BONOFF—Col
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- PARTY TIME—Heptones—Island
- ROUGH MIX—Pete Townshend/Ronnie Lane—MCA
- THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col

LICORICE PIZZA/ LOS ANGELES

- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
- BABY IT'S ME—Diana Ross—Mercury
- CHICAGO XI—Col
- FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
- HOPE—Klaatu—Capitol
- KARLA BONOFF—Col
- LET'S GET SMALL—Steve Martin—WB
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- ROUGH MIX—Pete Townshend/Ronnie Lane—MCA
- SIMPLE DREAMS—Linda Ronstadt—Asylum

MUSIC PLUS/LOS ANGELES

- BABY IT'S ME—Diana Ross—Motown
- DIZZYTHMIA—Split Enz—Chrysalis
- FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
- LAKE—Col
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- ROUGH MIX—Pete Townshend/Ronnie Lane—MCA
- TERRENCE BOYLAN—Asylum
- TOO HOT TO HANDLE—Heatwave—Epic
- TURN ON THE LIGHTS—Kelly Patterson—Shadybrook
- VILLAGE PEOPLE—Casablanca

TOWER/LOS ANGELES

- AJA—Steely Dan—ABC
- BABY IT'S ME—Diana Ross—Motown
- BIG BRIGHT STRUT—Hirth Martinez—WB
- DIAMOND IS A ROCK—Legs Diamond—Mercury
- ENIGMATIC OCEAN—Jean Luc Ponty—Atlantic
- GO TOO—Siamu Yamashta—Arista
- MENAGERIE—Bill Withers—Col
- SEND IT—Ashford & Simpson—WB
- TALKING HEADS '77—Sire
- THE STRANGER—Billy Joel—Col

EVERYBODY'S RECORDS/ NORTHWEST


- A FAREWELL TO KINGS—Rush—Mercury
- BAD REPUTATION—Thin Lizzy—Mercury
- BOOK OF INVASIONS—Horslips—DJM
- ENIGMATIC OCEAN—Jean Luc Ponty—Atlantic
- FRENCH KISS—Bob Welch—Capitol
- IN THE VALLEY OF THE MOON—Norton Buffalo—Capitol
- LOVE YOU LIVE—Rolling Stones—Rolling Stones
- MONKEY ISLAND—Geils—Atlantic
- ROUGH MIX—Pete Townshend/Ronnie Lane—MCA
- SCARLET RIVERA—WB

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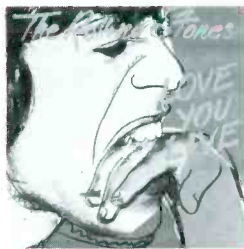
TITLE, ARTIST, Label, Number, (Distributing Label)

OCT. 8	OCT. 1						
1	1	RUMOURS	FLEETWOOD MAC	Warner Bros. BSK 3010	(19th Week)		33 G
2	2	STAR WARS (ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK)	20th Century	2T 541	17	X	
3	10	SIMPLE DREAMS	LINDA RONSTADT	Asylum 6E 104	4	G	
4	4	SHAUN CASSIDY	Warner/Curb	BS 3067 (WB)	15	F	
5	3	LITTLE QUEEN HEART	Portrait	JR 34799	20	G	
6	8	FOREIGNER	Atlantic	SD 19109	28	G	
7	6	CSN	CROSBY, STILLS & NASH	Atlantic SD 19104	14	G	
8	9	MOODY BLUE	ELVIS PRESLEY	RCA AFL1 2428	13	G	
9	5	COMMODORES	Motown	M7 884R1	28	G	
10	7	JT JAMES TAYLOR	Columbia	JC 34811	14	G	
11	23	CHICAGO XI	Columbia	JC 34860	2	G	
12	12	CAT SCRATCH FEVER	TED NUGENT	Epic 34700	17	G	
13	15	LIVIN' ON THE FAULT LINE	DOOBIE BROTHERS	Warner Bros. BSK	5	G	
14	13	ANYTIME . . . ANYWHERE	RITA COOLIDGE	A&M SP 4616	23	F	
15	11	FLOATERS	ABC	AB 1030	15	F	
16	17	I ROBOT	ALAN PARSONS PROJECT	Arista 7002	14	G	
17	14	BARRY MANILOW LIVE	Arista	8500	19	I	
18	21	FOGHAT LIVE	FOGHAT	Bearsville BRK 6971 (WB)	5	G	
19	16	STREISAND SUPERMAN	BARBRA STREISAND	Columbia JC 34830	15	G	
20	19	REJOICE	THE EMOTIONS	Columbia PC 34762	16	F	
21	20	RIGHT ON TIME	BROTHERS JOHNSON	A&M SP 4644	21	F	
22	24	BEAUTY ON A BACKSTREET	DARYL HALL & JOHN OATES	RCA AFL1 2300	4	G	
23	26	STAR WARS AND OTHER GALACTIC FUNK	MECO/	Millennium MNLP 8001 (Casablanca)	7	F	
24	36	BARRY WHITE SINGS FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE	BARRY WHITE	20th Century T 543	4	G	
25	22	LOVE GUN	KISS	Casablanca 7051	14	G	
26	18	I'M IN YOU	PETER FRAMPTON	A&M SP 4704	16	G	
27	28	THE GRAND ILLUSION	STYX	A&M SP 4637	11	F	
28	32	TOO HOT TO HANDLE	HEATWAVE	Epic PE 34761	9	F	
29	30	I REMEMBER YESTERDAY	DONNA SUMMER	Casablanca NBLP 7056	18	G	
30	25	BOSTON	Epic	JE 34188	54	G	

45	44	LIVE! IN THE AIR AGE	BE BOP DELUXE	Harvest SKB 11666 (Capitol)	8	G
46	42	THEIR GREATEST HITS: 1971-1975	EAGLES	Asylum 6E 105	84	G
47	51	SOMETHING TO LOVE	LTD	A&M SP 4646	10	G
48	50	PART 3	KC & THE SUNSHINE BAND	T.K. 605	22	F
49	34	TERRAPIN STATION	GRATEFUL DEAD	Arista 7001	9	G
50	65	IN CITY DREAMS	ROBIN TROWER	Chrysalis CHR 1148	2	G
51	53	RAM JAM	Epic	PE 34885	5	F
52	56	NIGHTWINGS	STANLEY TURRENTINE	Fantasy F 9534	5	F
53	47	CHANGES IN LATITUDES, CHANGES IN ATTITUDES	JIMMY BUFFETT	ABC AB 990	34	F
54	49	FLEETWOOD MAC	Reprise	MSK 2281 (WB)	115	G
55	58	BOATS AGAINST THE CURRENT	ERIC CARMEN	Arista AB 4124	6	G
56	46	EVEN IN THE QUIETEST MOMENTS	SUPERTRAMP	A&M 4634	25	F
57	48	NETHER LANDS	DAN FOGELBERG	Full Moon PE 34185 (CBS)	14	F
58	57	HOTEL CALIFORNIA	EAGLES	Asylum 6E 103	42	G
59	60	LIGHTS OUT	UFO	Chrysalis CHR 1127	18	F
60	74	ACTION	BLACKBYRDS	Fantasy F 9535	2	G
61	52	A STAR IS BORN (ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK)	Columbia JS 34403	44	X	
62	63	THIS ONE'S FOR YOU	BARRY MANILOW	Arista 4090	60	G
63	64	OOPS! WRONG PLANET	UTOPIA	Bearsville BR 6970 (WB)	4	F
64	66	BAD REPUTATION	THIN LIZZY	Mercury SRM 1 1186	3	F
65	68	TAKIN' THE STAGE	PURE PRAIRIE LEAGUE	RCA CPL2 2404	4	H
66	70	CRAWLER	Epic	PE 34900	5	F
67	67	OL' WAYLON	WAYLON JENNINGS	RCA APL1 2317	22	F
68	76	ENIGMATIC OCEAN	JEAN-LUC PONTY	Atlantic SD 19110	3	G
69	59	MAKING A GOOD THING BETTER	OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN	MCA 2280	13	F
70	61	IT'S A GAME	BAY CITY ROLLERS	Arista 7004	12	G
71	54	EXODUS	BOB MARLEY & THE WAILERS	Island ILPS 9498	18	F
72	69	STEVE WINWOOD	Island	ILPS 9494	13	F
73	75	ENDLESS FLIGHT	LEO SAYER	Warner Bros. BSK 3101	40	G
74	89	LET'S GET SMALL	STEVE MARTIN	Warner Bros. BSK 3090	2	G
75	79	SANFORD-TOWNSEND BAND	Warner Bros.	BS 2966	5	F
76	62	ONE OF THE BOYS	ROGER DALTRY	MCA 2271	12	F
77	80	IN COLOR	CHEAP TRICK	Epic PE 34884	3	F
78	—	BABY IT'S ME	DIANA ROSS	Motown M7 890 RI	1	G
79	82	ELVIS' GOLDEN RECORDS, VOL. 1	ELVIS PRESLEY	RCA LSP 1707	5	F
80	73	ROCKY (ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK)	United Artists	LA693 G	28	F
81	83	BENNY AND US	AVERAGE WHITE BAND & BEN E. KING	Atlantic SD 19105	12	G
82	72	FRAMPTON COMES ALIVE	PETER FRAMPTON	A&M 3703	89	X
83	81	ELVIS, A LEGENDARY PERFORMER, VOL. 1	ELVIS PRESLEY	RCA CPL1 0341	4	G
84	85	BEST OF THE DOOBIES	DOOBIE BROTHERS	Warner Bros. BSK 2112	47	G
85	78	RAISIN' HELL	ELVIN BISHOP	Capricorn 2CP 0185 (WB)	7	H
86	87	CELEBRATE ME HOME	KENNY LOGGINS	Columbia PC 34655	23	F
87	—	ROUGH MIX	PETER TOWNSHEND/RONNIE LANE	MCA 2295	1	F
88	86	PLATINUM JAZZ	WAR	Blue Note BN LA690 J2 (UA)	12	H
89	91	LIVE—YOU GET WHAT YOU PLAY FOR	REO SPEEDWAGON	Epic PEG 34494	30	G
90	94	DANCE BAND ON THE TITANIC	HARRY CHAPIN	Elektra 9E 301	2	H
91	90	DAYTIME FRIENDS	KENNY ROGERS	United Artists LA754 G	5	F
92	84	GO FOR YOUR GUNS	ISLEY BROTHERS	T-Neck PZ 34432 (CBS)	27	F
93	—	THE STRANGER	BILLY JOEL	Columbia JC 34987	1	G
94	77	GOIN' PLACES	MICHAEL HENDERSON	Buddah BDS 5693	8	F
95	—	AJA	STEELY DAN	ABC AB 1006	1	F
96	106	KARLA BONOFF	Columbia	PC 34762	1	F
97	100	NIGHT MOVES	BOB SEGER & THE SILVER BULLET BAND	Capitol ST 11557	47	G
98	122	COME GO WITH US	POCKETS	Columbia PC 34879	1	F
99	128	FRENCH KISS	BOB WELCH	Capitol ST 11663	1	F
100	71	SIMPLE THINGS	CAROLE KING	Avatar SMAS 11667 (Capitol)	10	G

CHARTMAKER OF THE WEEK

31 — **LOVE YOU LIVE**
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32	27	BOOK OF DREAMS	STEVE MILLER BAND	Capitol SO 11630	20	G
33	29	LUNA SEA	FIREBALL	Atlantic SD 19101	9	F
34	39	IN FULL BLOOM	ROSE ROYCE	Whitfield WH 3074 (WB)	7	F
35	31	GOING FOR THE ONE	YES	Atlantic SD 19106	11	G
36	43	BRICK	Bang	BLP 409	5	F
37	40	DREAMBOAT	ANNIE HEART	Mushroom MRS 5005	74	F
38	35	A NEW WORLD RECORD	ELECTRIC LIGHT ORCHESTRA	Jet LA679 G (UA)	38	F
39	41	WELCOME TO MY WORLD	ELVIS PRESLEY	RCA APL1 2274	6	F
40	45	CARELESS	STEPHEN BISHOP	ABC ABCD 954	6	G
41	38	A PLACE IN THE SUN	PABLO CRUISE	A&M SP 4625	28	F
42	37	HERE AT LAST—BEE GEES LIVE	BEE GEES	RSO 2 3901 (Polydor)	19	I
43	55	A FAREWELL TO KINGS	RUSH	Mercury SRM 1 1184	3	F
44	33	FLOWING RIVERS	ANDY GIBB	RSO 1 3019 (Polydor)	8	G

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NEW WAVE TOP 20

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1. **ANARCHY IN THE U.K.**
SEX PISTOLS/Sex Pistols (import)
2. **GOD SAVE THE QUEEN**
SEX PISTOLS/Virgin (import)
3. **ANIMAL JUSTICE**
JOHN CALE/Illegal (import ep)
4. **GARY GILMORE'S EYES**
ADVERTS/Anchor (import)
5. **PRETTY VACANT**
SEX PISTOLS/Virgin (import)
6. **SONIC REDUCER**
DEAD BOYS/Sire (lp cut)
7. **SIXTEEN/LUST FOR LIFE/
SOME WEIRD SIN**
IGGY POP/RCA (lp cuts)
8. **MIRACLE MAN/RED SHOES**
ELVIS COSTELLO/Stiff (import lp cuts)
9. **LOVE COMES IN SPURTS/
THE PLAN/BLANK GENERATION**
RICHARD HELL & THE VOIDOIDS/Sire (lp cuts)
10. **YOUR GENERATION**
GENERATION X/Chrysalis (import)
11. **RAMBLIN' ROSE**
WAYNE KRAMER/Stiffwick (import)
12. **UH, OH LOVE COMES TO TOWN**
TALKING HEADS/Sire
13. **STOP IT**
RADIO STARS/Chiswick (import ep)
14. **DO ANYTHING YOU WANNA DO**
THE RODS/Island (import)
15. **I CAN'T STAND MY BABY**
THE REZILLOS/Sensible (import)
16. **LONDON GIRLS**
THE VIBRATORS/Epic (import)
17. **ALL AROUND THE WORLD**
THE JAM/Polydor (import)
18. **FIRST TIME**
THE BOYS/Nems (import ep)
19. **THE SAINTS/**
Harvest (12" import ep)
20. **MOTORHEAD/**
Chiswick (12" import ep)

Tomato Signs Hooker

■ NEW YORK—The Tomato Music Company Limited has signed an exclusive recording contract with John Lee Hooker.

Kevin Eggers, president of Tomato, has just recorded Hooker live at the Keystone Club in San Francisco. The album will contain all the classic John Lee Hooker material with special guest performances by Charlie Musslewhite and Ron Thompson.

Tomato anticipates a November, 1977 release date.

Bert-Co Appoints Two

■ LOS ANGELES—Robert L. Coutrier, vice president and general manager of The Bert-Co Enterprises, Inc., has announced the appointment of two vice presidents at the company.

Arthur Leslie, who has been with Bert-Co for three years, has been named vice president of sales and Don Kitzmiller, previously with the tape division at A&M Records, has been named vice president of marketing.

RSO Signs Stewart

■ LOS ANGELES — RSO Records president Al Coury has announced the signing of singer/composer John Stewart, who marks his debut on RSO with his first album in two years, "Fire In The Wind."

NEW WAVE NEWS

By BARRY TAYLOR & ALAN WOLMARK

■ GET BEHIND IT BEFORE IT GETS PAST YOU: Underlining the first real commitment to new wave from an American major, Sire Records (now distributed by Warner Bros.) simultaneously released four punk-related lps last week. The bands are mostly of CBGBs fame and represent a cross-section of sounds from three-chord rock to Talking Heads' shot at art-rock.

"Talking Heads' 77" features a textured sound which incorporates keyboards and sax, unconventional for new wave. Aside from emerging from the early CBGB days, The Heads are really far removed from this mainstream. Lyrically, David Byrne takes a decisively intellectual stance and prefers analysis over hot-tempered criticism.

"Blank Generation" by Richard Hell & Voidoids: This band has roots in Television, the Heartbreakers and Dust and Hell is one of CBGB's early heroes. His title track has been a punk anthem for years and was used as the theme for a low-budget film compiling clips of Patti Smith, Blondie, Ramones among others. Much of the material deals with alienation and sick relationships. Television influences are obvious.

"I'm Stranded" by The Saints: From Australia and the Ramones school of punk, The Saints have had a hit single in England already, but the lp's production could possibly limit its appeal.

"Young, Loud & Snotty" by Dead Boys: Some FM stations are adding this lp mostly because of its tight, powerful and well-produced material which created quite a storm around New York when the group arrived from Cleveland. Hilly Kristal (CBGBs proprietor) manages them and Genya Ravan produced the disc which displays versatility highlighted by their re-make of mid-'60s classic "Hey Little Girl," "All This and More" and "Sonic Reducer."

A double record promotional ep is being used by Sire to promote these albums. It contains the first singles from each lp and additional tracks of merit.

SINGLES: A couple of new import singles of note include the first record by Generation X, "Your Generation" (Chrysalis), a very de-

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New Wave Hit Parade

MUSHROOM RECORDS/ NEW ORLEANS

- ANARCHY IN THE U.K.**—Sex Pistols—Sex Pistols (import)
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN—Sex Pistols—Virgin (import)
SONIC REDUCER—Dead Boys—Sire (lp cut)
RED SHOES—Elvis Costello—Stiff (import lp cut)
ALL AROUND THE WORLD—The Jam—Polydor (import)
THE SAINTS—Harvest (12" import ep)
STOP IT—Radio Stars—Chiswick (import ep)
MOTORHEAD—Chiswick (12" import)
DO ANYTHING YOU WANNA DO—The Rods—Island (import)
DO THE STANDING STILL—Table—Virgin (import)

PANTASIA/NEW YORK

- ANIMAL JUSTICE**—John Cale—Illegal (import ep)
THE PLAN—Richard Hell & Voidoids—Sire (lp cut)
YOUR GENERATION—Generation X—Chrysalis (import)
BITCHIN'/BRING ON THE NUBILES—Stranglers—UA (import lp cuts)
SNUFF ROCK—Alberto Y Lost Trios Paranoias—Stiff (import ep)
GARY GILMORE'S EYES—Adverts—Anchor (import)
PULLED UP/NO COMPASSION—Talking Heads—Sire (lp cuts)
R U 21—Novak—Dumb (ep)
SICK ON YOU—Boys—Nems (import lp cut)
SEX & DRUGS & ROCK & ROLL—Ian Dury—Stiff (import)

SOUNDS GOOD/CHICAGO

- SIXTEEN/LUST FOR LIFE/SOME WEIRD SIN**—Iggy Pop—RCA (lp cuts)
GOD SAVE THE QUEEN/DID YOU NO WRONG—Sex Pistols—Virgin (import)
ANARCHY IN THE U.K.—Sex Pistols—Sex Pistols (import)
YOUR GENERATION—Generation X—Chrysalis (import)
UH, OH, LOVE COMES TO TOWN/PSYCHO KILLER/NEW FEELING—Talking Heads—Sire (lp cuts)
GARY GILMORE'S EYES—Adverts—Anchor (import)
BLANK GENERATION/LIARS BEWARE/ROCK & ROLL CLUB—Richard Hell & Voidoids—Sire (lp cuts)
FOREVER YOUNG/GOOFING OFF/OCCUPATION—Sparks—Columbia (lp cuts)
LOOKING AFTER NO. 1—Boomtown Rats—Mercury
SONIC REDUCER/HEY LITTLE GIRL/AIN'T NOTHIN' TO DO—Dead Boys—Sire (lp cuts)

RATHER RIPPED RECORDS/ BERKELEY

- ANARCHY IN THE U.K.**—Sex Pistols—Sex Pistols (import)
WHOLE WIDE WORLD—Wreckless Eric—Stiff (import)
GARY GILMORE'S EYES—Adverts—Anchor (import)
UH, OH, LOVE COMES TO TOWN—Talking Heads—Sire
I CAN'T STAND MY BABY—Rezillos—Sensible (import)
DO ANYTHING YOU WANNA DO—The Rods—Island (import)
SHE SAYS—Richi Ray—Rayo
OH FARRAH—Novak—Dumb
WALKIN' IN THE RAIN—Flash & the Pan—Midsong Int'l
MURDER BY GUITAR—Crime—Crime

Musexpo Adds Publishing Seminar

■ MIAMI—So as to meet industry needs, Roddy S. Shashoua, has announced the addition of a special Publishing (USA and International) and Exploitation of Copyright Workshop/Seminar on October 29 to Musexpo '77.

The workshop/seminar will feature topics like Growth and Penetration of International Catalogues/Licenses; Worldwide Residuals and Ancillary Rights; Methods and Means of Song Promotion; and Exploitation of Catalogues vs. Single Copyrights among others. Leading overseas publishers and speakers from Screen-Gems/EMI, Polygram, Far-Out Music, RCA Music Publishing, Acuff/Rose; April Blackwood; First American National Bank; and the Copyright Service Bureau will be present.

Capricorn/Phonodisc

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the promotion and publicizing of Capricorn records and artists. "We are immediately doubling our promotion staff," he said, "and within the next three months we will have tripled it (to 15 persons)."

The company's roster size should not be dramatically affected by the switch, Walden said. "We'll have the same policy we've always had—if something comes along that we like, we'll try to sign it."

Capricorn's interest in Phonodisc, Walden said, has been a long-standing one and, he added, "with their recent moves, they've indicated they're serious about making Phonodisc one of the most important distribution systems in America."

The Capricorn deal comes just a week after the announcement of a pact between Phonodisc and Casablanca Records, with Phonodisc purchasing a substantial interest in the latter as well as assuming distribution responsibilities. The roster of labels owned, partially-owned or distributed by Polygram and Phonodisc now includes Polydor, Phonogram/Mercury, RSO, Island, Casablanca, Millennium and Capricorn.

Lambert To Casablanca

■ LOS ANGELES — Bruce Bird, Casablanca vice president, promotion, has announced the appointment of T.J. Lambert to handle national secondary promotion for the label.

Lambert brings to Casablanca a solid radio background, having served as operations program manager at WGCL in Cleveland, and at other stations.

RADIO WORLD

All-Channel Radio Law Makes Comeback On Hill

By MICHAEL SHAIN

■ WASHINGTON—A bill that would require auto manufacturers to equip all their in-car radios with AM and FM capability breathed new life on Capitol Hill earlier this month. The bill—known as the all-channel radio law—was first taken up more than three years ago in both Houses of Congress and looked like a good candidate for passage. Such a law could prove to be a great boon to FM broadcasters who have been plagued in their fight for parity with the AM band by the lack of FM set penetration in automobiles.

The all-channel radio bill, however, faltered near the end of the 93rd Congress in 1974 under heavy pressure from the auto makers and heightened Congressional sensitivity to inflationary pressures due to former President Ford's "Whip Inflation Now (WIN)" campaign. (Opponents of the bill argued that a requirement that all car sets have both AM and FM capability would preclude consumers from buying cheaper, AM-only radios and raise the price of fully-equipped autos.)

The all-channel bill now is making a comeback, as the House Small Business Committee on Antitrust and Restraint of Trade opened hearings on a new bill. At the heart of the argument for an all-channel radio bill is the notion, articulated by Matt Coffey, senior vice president of National Public Radio (NPR), that "There's only one radio service in this country. It just happens to be on two bands." (A similar all-channel bill was passed in the mid-1960s for television sets, requiring manufacturers to include both VHF and UHF capability in their TVs.)

Price Fixing?

Also strong in the arguments for this radio law is the opinion that auto makers are unfairly collusive in setting prices for radios. A private study conducted several years ago for NPR found that nearly all car makers price their optional radios similarly on a 1-2-3 price scale. That is, whatever price is charged for an AM-only radio (now about \$70), AM-FM radios are priced at twice that amount, AM-FM stereo at three times the AM-only price base. The Justice Department conducted preliminary investiga-

tions into related allegations about auto-maker radio selling practices several years ago, but found no evidence of wrongdoing. The Justice probes covered charges that auto manufacturers were constructing dashboards so that only their own radios would fit into them and into the alleged reluctance of auto dealers to sell autos without radios, but equipped with antennas, so that the buyer could go to less-expensive outlets for a car radio.

The hearings in late September were called by Rep. John Breckinridge (D-Ky.), chairman of the Antitrust subcommittee, after a nudge from the Kentucky Broadcasters Association. The association believes that the 1-2-3 pricing system is anticompetitive since it does not reflect the true costs of AM-FM sets over AM-only models. A National Association of Broadcasters-funded study found that the average total cost of an AM-only set (including parts, assembly, and alignment) was about \$14.50. A comparable AM-FM set costs about \$22. The list price of those two sets at an auto dealer, however, would be closer to \$77 and \$155, respectively, the study shows.

Conceding broadcasters' "selfish interest" in an all-channel bill, NAB Chairman Donald Thurston told the subcommittee that, "If the auto manufacturers are in fact pricing radios in such a way that the public cannot afford an AM-FM radio, then we are affected just as the public is affected."

The auto makers chose not to appear at the hearings.

Cincy Stations Aid United Appeal

■ CINCINNATI — Sixteen radio stations recently participated in the simultaneous broadcast of a five-minute message for the United Appeal. The announcement, heard by an estimated quarter of a million persons, launched the 1977 United Appeal Campaign in Greater Cincinnati. It was produced at WLQA studios and was carried by the member stations of the Greater Cincinnati Radio Broadcasters Association, WCIN, WCKY, WEBN, WKRC, WLQA, WLYK, WNOP, WSAI-AM & FM, WUBE-AM & FM, WVEZ, WLW & WLW-FM and WZIP.

AM ACTION

(Compiled by the Record World research department)

■ Barry White (20th Century). Some half-chart jumps in recently acquired markets as well as several powerhouse adds build the case here for a clear path to the top. Sales continue to be outstanding. New on 13Q, KFRC, KRBE (25) and WCOL (28). Jumps 6-1 96X, 29-13 WHBQ, 30-23 WPGC, 24-18 WZZP, 24-16 WMET, HB-28 KHJ, 9-6 CKLW, 8-5 WDRQ, HB-27 Z93, 28-23 WQXI, 21-16 Y100, 25-23 WQAM, 34-31 WOKY, 27-24 KSLQ and 35-29 KXOK.

Crystal Gayle (United Artists). Explodes to the northern markets this week and maintains excellent numbers elsewhere as well. 16-6 WKBW, 16-8 KDWB, 31-23 WOKY, 26-18 KXOK, 31-18 WLAC, 20-15 KSTP, 24-21 KJR, 26-16 WQXI, 5-5 KRBE, 20-16 Z93, 21-19 KLIF. New on WFIL, KSLQ (32) and WCOL (30).



Linda Ronstadt

Firefall (Atlantic). Continues spreading while maintaining good activity in the midwest. Dips into the south and picks up Z93, WQXI and WMAK at night. Also hits the air at WSAI, KDWB, KJRB, B100, KCPI, WPRO-FM, KCPX, WTIC-FM and BJ105. Progress in existing markets includes 23-17 WLS, 25-19 WKBW, 28-23 13Q, 30-27 WRKO, 18-17 WPGC, 28-24 WMET, 30-29 WOKY, 26-21 KSLQ, 23-19 KXOK, HB-24 Q102, 14-10 KSTP, 30-28 WTIX, 22-20 WNOE, 24-19 KTLK, HB-28 KLIF, 20-14 KHFI, 21-15 WANS, 17-11 WOW, 3-19 KNOE, 12-7 KKXL, 29-23 WAUG, 22-15 WSPT, 17-13 KLEO, 26-22 WGUY, HB-30 K100 plus more.

Chicago (Columbia). With the LP popping up at #11 in its second week on the charts, the action developing on the single seems geared in the same direction. The absence of any new product by the group for some time has certainly created an incredible demand that is being met by the huge amount of airplay. A rundown includes 34-20 WDRQ, 23-18 KTLK, HB-29 KLIF, 21-18 KSTP, 25-21 Y100, HB-24 WFIL, 27-23 KFRC, 27-24 WPGC, HB-25 Z93, 30-26 WMET, 33-29 KSLQ, 29-27 CKLW, 30-26 KXOK, 25-22 KJR, 39-35 WNOE, 24-22 KHJ, HB-38 KRBE, 28-14 WICC, HB-34 KILT, 24-18 KFI, 24-14 KCPX, 29-18 14ZYQ, 24-16 WTIC-FM, 30-24 K100, HB-23 KJRB, plus lots more. The new adds include WHBQ (24), WKBW (28), WRKO, WMAK (night), WOKY, WEAQ, B100, Z97, KTOQ, KBEQ, 98Q, KKLS, KKXL, WHHY and KAAV.



Bob Welch

CROSSOVERS

Jacksons (Epic). An early shot last week on 99X (34-31) and 10Q followed by KFRC, K101, WERC plus several more secondaries on this exploding r&b disc are the needed essentials for debuting both pop and r&b bullets. Programmers love it.

NEW ACTION

Linda Ronstadt (Asylum) "It's So Easy." Demand at the radio level has forced this hot LP cut out as a single, simultaneously with the current ("Blue Bayou") disc which is developing along very nicely on its own. In some instances split play exists (WQXI, etc.) and in others they are being charted independently. On "It's So Easy" WRKO, WPGC, KHJ, KTLK,

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The Coast

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should thus be welcome indeed: we're told that his "semi-retirement" may well have to be suspended if industry reaction to Wexler's ambitious score for Louis Malle's film "Pretty Baby," leads to the right album treatment.

The Malle film, set in New Orleans, is believed to be Wexler's first scoring assignment, and our sources say the blues and jazz aficionado has drawn directly from that city's lode of seminal jazz, blues and Dixieland roots to highlight Malle's story. While Wexler's ongoing executive tie with WCI reportedly gives Warner's first crack at a soundtrack album, we're told that the producer himself is already huddling with promotion and management ace **Shep Gordon** for advice in properly launching such a project; thus far, the discussions with Gordon have been only casual.

Featured in the movie, by the way are **Keith Carradine**, **Susan Sarandon**, close personal friend of this column **Gerrit Graham** and **Brooke Shields**.

SO THAT'S IT: One of the things that made **Yes'** recent gigs at the Forum so worthwhile, aside from the calibre of the music and the tightness of the band itself, was the sound system: it was clear and crisp, and, for once at a venue that size, mercifully not too loud. Seems that was no accident—they've apparently been refining their sound system for nearly six years (it was put together by the Clair Brothers.) This band has always been meticulous in its every aspect, and it's definitely paid off in style.

UH-UH: Sources at Arista are "categorically denying" the street-level rumor that a re-formed version of the **Byrds** have signed or will sign with that label. However, our informants still insist that **Clive Davis** is interested in the band. More than a rumor, it seems, is word of **Blondie's** signing with Chrysalis.

I DIDN'T QUITE MEAN IT THAT WAY: When **Jose Feliciano** recently toured Australia, he was roaring through an encore of "Light My Fire" in Darwin when the sound equipment mysteriously failed. Jose took it in stride—he left—but the audience didn't. They repaired to an adjacent hill and proceeded to ignite an enormous bonfire—right in keeping with the spirit of the tune and all that. Meanwhile, Feliciano is reportedly putting increasing emphasis on his acoustic guitar playing, a sort of back-to-basics move he's been contemplating for a while.

MISCELLANY: Last week we reported that the **Paley Bros.**, a new Sire act, were of the new wave persuasion. We soon found that we were wrong—they are in fact not punk but what someone calls "power pop." Sorry about that. . . **Sergio Mendes** is set to produce the American debut of Brazilian singer **Gilberto Gil**, who's already a star in his native land. The album, due out next year, is the first time Mendes has produced for anyone but himself. . . **Mark Cooper**, formerly AOR western regional promo man at Motown, is looking for a gig. . . the success of **Debby Boone's** version of "You Light Up My Life" has Warner Bros. scrambling to get an album out.

L. Loren Newkirk is the guy who wrote the score to "Jackson County Jail," a CBS vid-pic that aired a couple of weeks ago; he was also the piano man for **The Committee** a while back. Currently he's penning a number of other film scores (including the upcoming "The Beauty Trap"), along with **Morgan Cavett** and **Bruce Langhorne** of Hollywood's Blue Dolphin studio.

SOMEDAY MY PRINT WILL COME: While New West magazine has established itself as a chi-chi habit for Southern Californians, the book's image of the state's entertainment community has seemed rather lop-sided from the start, preserving high visibility for Lotusland's celluloid heavies while only really taking notice of the music industry. Kudos, then, for the book's first music-related cover, this one featuring Casablanca topper **Neil Bogart**, and our thanks to writer **Anthony Cook** for shedding some light on Neil's sly comments to us on the recent Polygram purchase. Cook pegs the price tag for Polygram's minority interest in CRF at "over \$15 million." . . . **Emmylou Harris'** next album for Warner Bros. is reportedly nearing completion, with the title expected to be "Quarter Moon In A Ten Cent Town." **Brian Ahern** again produced, and one streetwatcher adds that the lp is a conceptual look at honky-tonks. . . Ahern also finishing **Mary Kay Place's** second set for Columbia, with the probable first single titled "Don't Make Love To A Country Singer."

CRDI Picks Up Labels

■ **LOS ANGELES**—California Record Distributors, Inc. has announced the addition of the HNH, Orion, and Creative World labels for statewide distribution.

Tenenbaum to Atlantic

■ **NEW YORK**—Bruce Tenenbaum has been named national college promotion manager for Atlantic Records, senior VP-promotion Dick Kline has announced.

Twilley Don't Mind



Arista group the Dwight Twilley Band recently played L.A.'s Roxy, and lined up for the camera after the gig are, from left Bingo Sloan, Twilley Band; Rick Chertoff, producer, Arista a&r; Ron Henry, Twilley's manager; Clive Davis, Arista president; Rodney Bowden, national retail marketing coordinator, Arista; Dwight Twilley; Phil Seymour, Twilley Band; Roger Birnbaum, vice president, west coast a&r, Arista; Ellen White, local promotion manager, Arista; Scot Jackson, vice president, national promotion, Arista; Bill Pitcock, Twilley Band; John Schoenberger, west coast album development, Arista.

CONCERT REVIEW

Willie, Emmylou Expand Country Boundaries

■ **NASHVILLE**—When Willie Nelson (Columbia) and Emmylou Harris (Warner Bros.) came to Nashville recently, it was a classic demonstration of the expanding boundaries of country music. Both artists, playing nearly "straight" country music with few frills, almost filled the Municipal Auditorium with a cross section of people that included middle aged couples, young teenagers, young men and women bedecked in cowboy garb, country music celebrities, some upstarts and a few senior citizens.

The show started with Emmylou Harris and her Hot Band and what can you say except that the Princess of Progressive Country has become a Queen. There is a quiet desperation in her voice that can be felt when she sings a ballad of broken love and a quality of clearness and cleanliness like mountain air when she does a fast number.

The sound was excellent and so was the Hot Band as it backed Emmylou while she sang a sample from each of her three albums, "Pieces of The Sky," "Elite Hotel" and "Luxury Liner."

Willie Nelson began his show with "Funny How Time Slips Away" and it was a perfect song for Willie to sing to the Nashville audience. The first line, "Well, hello there, my it's been a long, long time," was greeted with cheers that let Willie know he was certainly welcome back.

The audience was warm and receptive although much more subdued than, say, a Texas audience until Waylon Jennings appeared. The crowd rose to its feet, stomping and cheering when Waylon walked on the stage and strapped on a guitar

about 30 minutes into Willie's set. The two of them sang "Good Hearted Woman," "Pick Up The Tempo" and then brought the house down with "Luckenbach, Texas" before Waylon exited, giving the show back to Willie.

Willie's performance, like the audience, was mostly subdued and laid back, featuring many introspective ballads and love songs. For his gospel numbers, he was joined on stage by Emmylou Harris, Mylon LeFevre and Rodney Crowell and invited Faron Young to sing "Hello Walls" on the show.

Country music has certainly grown when they play auditoriums instead of honky tonks before large, diverse audiences, and Willie Nelson and Emmylou Harris are two of the major reasons.

Don Cusic

Rock n' Bowl



Hugh McDowell (left) and Bev Bevan (right) of Electric Light Orchestra are pictured at the South Bay Bowl, Redondo Beach, Calif. at the first annual Rock 'N' Bowl for the benefit of the California Special Olympics. More than 50 rock, sports, television and film personalities, plus 200 fans, raised \$15 thousand during the tournament sponsored by the Active West Bowling and Recreation Centers.



CLASSICAL



CLASSICAL RETAIL REPORT

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CLASSIC OF THE WEEK



VERDI: IL TROVATORE
SUTHERLAND, HORNE,
PAVAROTTI, WIXELL,
BONYNGE
London

BEST SELLERS OF THE WEEK

VERDI: IL TROVATORE—Sutherland,
Horne, Pavarotti, Wixell, Bonyngé—
London
GERSHWIN: PORGY AND BESS—
Albert, Dale, DeMain—RCA
JANACEK: KATYA KABANOVA—
Soederstroem, Mackerras—London
SIBELIUS: SYMPHONIES NOS. 3, 6—
Philips

KORVETTES/U.S.

BEETHOVEN: PIANO SONATAS—
Horowitz—Columbia
THE VOICE OF BJOERLING—London
BLOCH: SCHELOMO—Rostropovich—
Angel
DVORAK: PIANO CONCERTO—Richter,
Kleiber—Angel
GERSHWIN: PORGY AND BESS—
Albert, Dale, DeMain—RCA
JANACEK: KATYA KABANOVA—
Soederstroem, Mackerras—London
**MENDELSSOHN: MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S
DREAM**—Previn—Angel
PUCCINI: GIANNI SCHICCHI—Gobbi
Cotrubas, Domingo, Maazel—Columbia
TCHAIKOVSKY: COMPLETE SYMPHONIES
—Rostropovich—Angel
VERDI: IL TROVATORE—Sutherland,
Horne, Pavarotti, Wixell, Bonyngé—
London

SAM GOODY/EAST COAST

BIZET: CARMEN—Callas, Gedda,
Pretre—Angel
BLOCH: SCHELEMO—Rostropovich—
Angel
MARIA CALLAS: ARIAS I LOVE—Angel
GERSHWIN: PORGY AND BESS—
Albert, Dale, DeMain—RCA
GRANADOS: GOYESCAS—De Larrocha—
London
MAHLER: SYMPHONY NO. 2—Horne,
Abbado—DG
MUSSORGSKY: BORIS GUDUNOV—
Talvela, Semkov—Angel
PUCCINI: GIANNI SCHICCHI—Gobbi,
Cotrubas, Domingo, Maazel—Columbia
RAVEL: BOLERO—Solti—London
VERDI: IL TROVATORE—Sutherland,
Horne, Pavarotti, Wixell, Bonyngé—
London

KING KAROL/N.Y.

BEETHOVEN: COMPLETE SYMPHONIES—
Mengelburg—Philips
BIZET: CARMEN SUITE—Stokowski—
Columbia

JANACEK: KATYA KABANOVA—
Soederstroem, Mackerras—London
PUCCINI: GIANNI SCHICCHI—Gobbi,
Cotrubas, Domingo, Maazel—Columbia
SHOSTAKOVICH: SYMPHONY NO. 14—
Rostropovich—Columbia
STOKOWSKI: GREAT TRANSCRIPTIONS—
Columbia
TCHAIKOVSKY: COMPLETE SYMPHONIES
—Rostropovich—Angel
VERDI: IL TROVATORE—Sutherland,
Horne, Pavarotti, Wixell, Bonyngé—
London
VIVALDI: FOUR SEASONS ON KOTO—
Angel
WALTON: TROILUS AND CRESSIDA—
Baker, Foster—EMI (Import)

ROSE DISCOUNT/CHICAGO
**GIACOMO ARAGALL SINGS ITALIAN
OPERA ARIAS**—London
**JOSE CARRERAS SINGS ITALIAN OPERA
ARIAS**—Philips
GERSHWIN: PORGY AND BESS—
Albert, Dale, DeMain—RCA
HAYDN: ORLANDO PALADINO—
Dorati—Philips
JANACEK: KATYA KABANOVA—
Soederstroem, Mackerras—London
**RACHMANINOFF: PIANO CONCERTO
NO. 3**—Berman, Abbado—Columbia
RAVEL: BOLERO—Solti—London
SIBELIUS: SYMPHONIES NOS. 3, 6—
Davis—Philips
VERDI: IL TROVATORE—Sutherland,
Horne, Pavarotti, Wixell, Bonyngé—
London
WAGNER: DER FLIEGENDE HOLLAENDER
—Martin, Bailey, Solti—London

ODYSSEY RECORDS/ SAN FRANCISCO

BERLIOZ: L'ENFANCE DU CHRIST—
Baker, Davis—Philips
BRAHMS: SYMPHONY NO. 3—
Levine—RCA
BRUCKNER: SYMPHONY NO. 9—
Karajan—DG
MUSIC OF CHABRIER—Mari—Angel
GERSHWIN: PORGY AND BESS—
Albert, Dale, DeMain—RCA
GOUNOD: FAUST—Caballe, Aragall,
Plishka, Lombard—RCA
JANACEK: KATYA KABANOVA—
Soederstroem, Mackerras—London
**RACHMANINOFF: PIANO CONCERTO
NO. 3**—Berman, Abbado—Columbia
SIBELIUS: SYMPHONIES NOS. 3, 6—
Davis—Philips
VERDI: IL TROVATORE—Sutherland,
Horne, Pavarotti, Wixell, Bonyngé—
London

TOWER RECORDS/ SAN FRANCISCO

**GIACOMO ARAGALL SINGS ITALIAN
OPERA ARIAS**—London
BRAHMS: LIEDER—Ludwig, Bernstein—
Columbia
CILEA: ADRIANA LECOUVREUR—Tebaldi,
Del Monaco, Capuana—London
GOUNOD: FAUST—Caballe, Aragall,
Plishka, Lombard—RCA
GRANADOS: GOYESCAS—De Larrocha—
London
JANACEK: KATYA KABANOVA—
Soederstroem, Mackerras—London
MUSIC OF FRITZ KREISLER—Fodor—RCA
MAHLER: SYMPHONY NO. 2—Horne,
Abbado—DG
SIBELIUS: SYMPHONIES NOS. 3, 6—
Davis—Philips
VERDI: IL TROVATORE—Sutherland,
Horne, Pavarotti, Wixell, Bonyngé—
London

Katya & Some Tenor Records from London

By SPEIGHT JENKINS

NEW YORK — As has been noted on the charts already, London Records has come up with a winning opera recording in the first stereo make of Leos Janacek's *Katya Kabanova*. More about *Katya* later, but in the same shipment from London was included a record that should not be overlooked: a recital of tenor arias by the Spanish artist Giacomo (or Jamie) Aragall.

Debut

One of the most curious personages on the international opera scene, he first appeared in the United States in San Francisco, making a big splash. Marked as an extremely handsome Spanish tenor with a rich, lyric voice that might well be right for Verdi, he came to the Metropolitan Opera in 1968, as the Duke in *Rigoletto*. His debut was far from a success, however. Though his looks were for him and the basic timbre of his voice attractive, his pitch was simply not good. As the Duke,

Edgardo in *Lucia* or Alfredo in *La Traviata* in that season and in 1970-71, he never seemed to be able to sing on pitch. Last season he was part of the Bonyngé-Sutherland forces that put on Massenet's *Esclarmonde* at the Met. Again this season he has been hailed in San Francisco, and now he returns to the Metropolitan for Rodolfo in *La Bohème*, Alfredo in *La Traviata* and several other roles.

Vocal Quality

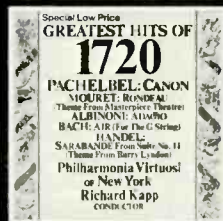
All that is preface to this record, which is one of the best that any tenor has put out in a long time. There is not one suggestion that he has any pitch problem. He sings "Che gelida manina" in key with a beautiful high C, while his voice sounds very individual, much at the weight level of the young Giuseppe Di Stefano. That is, he is not as light or bright as Pavarotti nor as rich and dark as Domingo. But the repertory chosen shows that he can still

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Record Of The Month



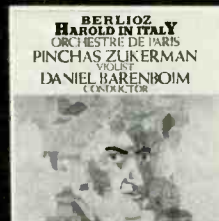
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M 34541



M3 34581

On Columbia Records and Tapes

Capitol, MPS Pact

■ LOS ANGELES—Capitol Records, Inc. will import and distribute MPS Records, the West German jazz and easy listening label, throughout the United States beginning this month, according to Don Zimmermann, CRI executive vice president and chief operating officer.

The arrangement came about when EMI, Capitol's parent company, signed an exclusive distribution deal with MPS for certain countries, such as Holland, Belgium, France, Spain and Italy. The deal included the right for Capitol to release MPS product in this country, although the albums will be manufactured by EMI in Holland.

MPS has a catalogue of more than 300 albums.

Capitol will offer 40 initial albums during the fall season, including Monte Alexander's "Perception," Count Basie's "Basie's Timing," Les Brown & His Band of Renown's "Today," George Duke's "Liberated Fantasies," Supersax' "Chasin The Bird," Alphonse Mouzon's "Virtue" and several each by Erroll Garner, Oscar Peterson (such as "Oscar's Choice"), The Singers Unlimited and George Shearing (such as the recently-recorded "Shearing-Grapelli Reunion" with Stephane Grapelli).

Katya & Some Tenor Records

sing bel canto roles and almost any of the middle and lighter Verdi parts. The sound is sensual and smooth, and the technique really splendid with no forcing anywhere. Any tenor who can handle "Povero Ernesto" from *Don Pasquale* and Maurizio's "La dolcissima effigie" from *Adriana* so easily with appropriate color and weight of voice and equal ease is someone to contend with. On the disc, exceptional also is his "Una furtiva lagrima" from *L'Elisir d'Amore*, and his whole rendition of Edgardo's final scene from *Lucia*. My choices tend more toward the lyric side, because this is the rarer area. No doubt Aragall is easier in a Verdi role such as Don Carlo than some tenors who sing it now, but at the moment it is a joy to hear him sing lyrically.

With any luck at all, this recording indicates that the Spanish tenor's vocal technique has come together, and that this year at the Met he should make the kind of success that has long been predicted. It is sincerely to be hoped.

In the same batch of London records two older issues should not be overlooked: one called "The Voice of Bjoerling" is a particularly good selection of famil-

CONCERT REVIEW

Carole King Pleases Mellow Crowd

■ SANTA BARBARA—The Santa Barbara County Bowl proved an ideal venue for Carole King (Avatar). The mellow crowd seemed to know every song she sang by heart, and the sunset behind the open air amphitheatre served only to make a memor-

able evening, which King attributed to "my favorite audience," that much more romantic.

If there was a key to King's concert, it was her demonstrated ability to show and share joy with her fans. The singer/composer drew heavily from her

"Tapestry" album, although she offered samplings of work from "Simple Things" as well as earlier songs recorded by other performers.

Standout among the early tunes was a rousing version of "Do The Locomotion," in which the sell-out crowd eagerly joined in, creating a massive chorus that only underscored neighbors' complaints that crowds at the Bowl sometimes get out of hand. While "Bowl" audiences rarely, if ever, tend towards violence, their enthusiasm after hearing King can only be construed as deafening. Here was a broad section of ages and tastes united in knowing what they wanted in hearing an outstanding artist: and they got it.

King provided this by choosing a well-rounded sampling of her material, and singing the selections in her own style, an unmistakable shading which allowed the composer and the performer to merge and come out even greater than the already significant contributing two aspects would indicate.

Credit must also be given to Navarro, which backed her in an extremely sensitive manner, letting her voice surface while still providing the occasional force necessary to underscore the more uptempo selections. Navarro opened for King by playing original material which was well-received by the audience.

William White Wing

'Star Discs' On Way



London Records will soon release "Star Discs," a double-lp disco package, featuring London's disco artists including John Miles, Hodges James & Smith, Al Green, Larry Page, and others. Shown completing the final mix for "Star Discs" are (from left, seated): Billy Smith, London's disco coordinator and artist relations director; John Pace, engineer at NYC's Sound Mixers studios; and London's a&r production coordinator, Garrison Leykam. (From left, standing): consultant on "Star Discs" and disco D.J. at Harrah's Wayne Scott; and Richard Bernstein, art director of "Star Discs."

iar' pieces by the great tenor, issued in excellent sound. None should be without some samples of Bjoerling in his collection if only to set a standard to which all tenors must aspire. No one was perfect, but in matter of musicality and taste there have been few if any to come into the same sphere. And London has also re-released its *Adriana Lecouvreur*, no doubt in conjunction with the performances of the opera that opened this fall's San Francisco season. It is a treasured recording for the many who love the voice of Renata Tebaldi. Mario del Monaco is a powerful Maurizio and Giuletta Simionato is my vote as the best Principessa I have yet heard. It is a recording which catches the period of the late '50s when these three artists were at the top of their form and popularity.

And finally to *Katya*. Much has been written about the opera, and how well it is recorded. The nature of Janacek was to catch in musical sound the flavor of the speech of his native land. This is certainly the case in *Katya*, but even more so than in *Jenufa*, the sound is almost unbelievably romantic and lyrical. True, Janacek was a person who shifted the tonalities a lot; this is not ro-

mantic music in the sense of Verdi, but its singing qualities are so extraordinary, and the performances are so great on the record that anyone who has the vaguest interest in opera should treasure the recording.

Leading the reasons for buying it are Maestro Charles Mackerras, who has lived with Janacek's music for more than 25 years, and Elisabeth Soederstroem, for whom the autumn of her career seems so much richer than at any other time. She was appreciated by many in her Met days at the turn of the '60s but not by enough. Now in her excellent recitals on London Records and in this wonderful recording, she is shown to be an artist of consummate abilities, whose concept of the line is extraordinary. In her hands Janacek's music is high song and yet real conversation at the same time. She must be heard to be appreciated. On this recording is heard for the first time a young tenor whose name is beginning to be talked of in Europe, Petr Dvorsky. He has good high notes and fine style, and the chances are his name will soon be appearing on more recordings. Retailers should push it hard, because it is a wonderful experience of listening.

A&M Promotes Two

■ LOS ANGELES — Allen Levy, national publicity manager, A&M Records, has announced that Susan Brainin has been appointed to the position of national tour press coordinator for the label, and that Barbara Fisher has been appointed associate in publicity, tour press.

Ms. Brainin, who has been with A&M for one year, had been associated with A&M's a&r department before joining the publicity department as a publicist. She had previously been in television production.

Ms. Fisher has been with A&M publicity for one year. Previous to joining A&M she was a freelance journalist.

Both will headquarter in A&M's Los Angeles offices, reporting directly to Levy.

'Chicago XI' Gold

■ NEW YORK—"Chicago XI" on Columbia Records has been certified gold by the RIAA.