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# MUSIC WEEK AWARDS FOR 1979. . .

THE BRITISH music industry gathered in London's Dorchester Hotel on Tuesday night (12) for the annual presentation of the Music Week Awards.

Market share, artists, producers and writers awards are based on placings in the BMRB chart published in Music Week during

Other awards — for sleeve design, point of sale, advertising and marketing — are judged by panels of experts.

Full details of all the awards are contained on this page and in a special 16 page awards section starting on page 9.

# **MOTOWN'S** TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY

PROBABLY ONE of the world's most collected labels, Motown, is 20 years old this year and Music Week pays a birthday tribute with a 24-page commemorative supplement.

We write about the artists — some of whom have been with the label since its inception — who have helped to make Motown such a legendary name and we trace the company's history.

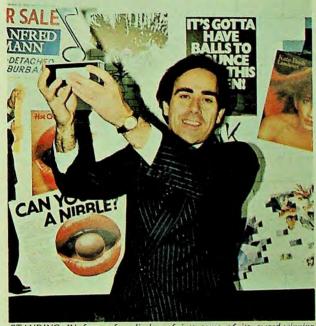
We also talk to Motowr president Michael Roshkind in Los Angeles and examine the roles of the international operation and publishing company in London under Peter Prince. See centre pages.

# UP! UP! UP! CLIMBS MW'S CIRCULATION

THE OFFICIAL Audit Bureau of Circulation figures for July-December 1979 show that Music Week increased its circulation by a further 7.4 per cent compared with the same period the previous year — no mean feat in one of the most difficult trading periods in the music industry's history.

MW's circulation now MW's circulation now stands at 12,796 representing an increase of 274, 2.2 per cent, on the first six months of 1979 and 885 more than at the end of 1978. Once again Music Week has consolidated its position as Europe's leading music business paper, and in the UK it remains unchallenged as the only music industry paper to publish an authenticated ABC circulation figure.

# MI top again—but



STANDING IN front of a display of just some of its award-winning material, EMI Records (UK) managing director Ramon Lopez proudly holds high a Music Week Award for 1979 — one of several collected by his company at the Dorchester Hotel this week. Apart from market share awards (see this page), EMI also picked up No. I awards for sleeve design, press and TV advertising, plus a number of runner-up and highly commended placings.

# Tape men in conflict

THE RANKS of Britain's tape manufacturers, girding their loins to fight the record industry's proposals for a levy on tapes and hardware, have been split by EMITape managing director Edward Naef who is refusing to

split by EMITape managing director Edward Naei who is reasonable support their campaign.

Instead, Naef has aligned himself with the BPI which, as reported last week, believes it has the support of the Department of Trade in seeking a tape levy to help offset the effects of home taping.

The row between Naef and his fellow tape manufacturers may lead to his quitting the European Tape Industry Association which represents all major tape manufacturers in Britain and which has asked its members for monetary donations to a fighting fund to stop the levy lobby.

'I have refused to contribute to their fund,'' Naef told MW. 'I believe that if the blank tape industry is to stay healthy it is dependent on a buoyant record industry. It is in the long-term interests of tape manufacturers to have a levy — provided that levy is a fair one.''

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# **CBS** boosts cassettes

IN AN effort to boost sales and combat home-taping, CBS aims to make "sales of cassettes more attractive". Addressing salesmen at Heathrow last week, managing director David Betteridge announced that from April onwards, cassettes would retail for the same price as albums — in some cases, in the rock and pop fields, the cassette price will be lower than the album. Also, CBS will introduce 5 per cent returns on cassettes and run a "number of tape campaigns throughout the year".

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"The cassette market is most at risk from counterfeit product," explained Betteridge, "In other parts of the world sales of genuine pre-recorded cassettes have virtually disappeared in the face of competition from the counterfeiter. TO PAGE 4

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# only just!

DESPITE A troubled year during which EMI had to offer itself for sale in order to survive, its British sale in order to survive, its British record division managed to cling to the number one market share position and at the Dorchester Hotel in London this week managing director Ramon Lopez collected Music Week awards for leading singles and albums company.

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But in both categories EMI suffered a reduced majority while its nearest rivals CBS and WEA and the fast-growing independents A & M, Chrysalis and Virgin all improved their share of the market. In the singles market WEA, in second place with 17.0 per cent, was only 1.9 per cent behind EMI and showed dramatic growth compared to 4.4 per cent five years ago. In the albums market, CBS continued its growth pattern with 16.3 per cent, second behind EMI's 18.7, and WEA also put on a couple of per cent with 13.5.

Of the independents, Chrysalis can be well pleased with sixth position in the albums market with 4.8 per cent compared with 1.9 per cent last year, closely followed by

A & M with 4.7 (2.4 last year).
A & M, Virgin and Chrysalis all increased their percentages in the singles market and, with 4.6, 4.3 and 4.2 per cent respectively, are now snapping at the heels of the majors.

majors.

Showing its new independent status, MCA International scored 1.4 per cent of the albums market and 1.2 per cent of singles, and Stiff came from nowhere to collect 2.1 per cent of the singles market.

In the labels section, Polydor came out top singles label with 6.1 per cent and CBS top albums label with 7.8 per cent. In the publishing section, Warner Bros. Music

section, Warner Bros. Music triumphed with top awards in both corporate and individual categories.

corporate and individual categories. Kate Bush won as top female album artist for the second year running, but winners in the other performance categories were all first-time Music Week award winners: Blondie (top singles group and top album for Parallel Lines), Art Garfunkel (top male singles artist and top single for Bright Eyes), Lene Lovich (top singles female), ELO (top albums group), Barry Manilow (top albums male).

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# NEWS

# Jet releases Metallergy compilation

METALLERGY, a heavy metal compilation album, featuring Bernie Torme, Quartz and Bernie Torme, Quartz and Widowmaker, retailing at £2.99 with full dealer margin is released by Jet in March. Other product presented by Ray Cooper included Adrian Gurvitz's second Jet LP, Il Assassino; Jimmy Grierson's debut LP, A Series Of Long Jumps; a two-for-the-price-ofone double four-track single from Magnum recorded live at from Magnum recorded live at The Marquee.

# Moore back in the studio

Moore, the band led by former Thin Lizzy guitarist Gary Moore are currently recording in America and Jet hopes to release both an album and single here in April.

Country back-up venture

AN INTERESTING aspect of the Warwick Records presentation was the disclosure that a music publishing company, for what is believed to be the first time, is actively involved in back-up activities for a TV-promoted album.

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The LP in question is Country No. 1'by veteran country star Don Gibson, containing "22 country classics" and receiving national TV promotion from March 3. All the songs, including I Can't Stop Loving You, are published by Acuff-Rose Music, which has brought out a folio of the songs to be promoted in conjunction with the album.

JIM EVANS reports from CBS half-yearly sales conference

Warwick product Other new Warwick product includes Mellow Music by Acker Bilk with strings, a 20-track album going national on TV on March 19. Bilk's previous two Warwick LPs have both passed the 400,000 sales mark and the company anticipates similar success for the new package.

The Going Steady soundtrack album will receive March/April national TV promotion to coincide with the film's release. The movie is a sequel to Lemon Popsicle and the

soundtrack contains music from the Fifties and early Sixties by such artists as the Drifters, Jerry Lee Lewis, Brenda Lee, Chubby Checker and Frankie Avalon.

Warwick is preparing a national commercial for The Country Diary of An Edwardian Lady, which has already sold 35,000 units with minimal promotion. It features francesca Annis reading extracts from the diary of Edith Holden and Leo McKern reading poems referred to by the same lady in her diary, and national TV promotion is set for late

The Warwick presentation drew attention to forthcoming LPs such as The Very Best Of Gallagher and Lyle (late March) and The Very Best Of Val Doonican (April), further support for the Des O'Connor LP, which has already passed the 140,000 sales mark, and an extension of the campaign on Mary O'Hara's Tranquillity album in the form of advertising in the Roman Catholic press. The company is also conducting a test in the Tyne Tees area next month on The Boppers, a Swedish band specialising in the The Warwick presentation drew Swedish band specialising in music of the Fifties and Sixties.

# Musik New

UPCOMING FROM GTO is an album from New Musik, From A To B, to be released in April; a Billy Ocean album, City Limits (May) and a new Voyage LP for release in April or May. Future singles product includes I Like You Girl, the debut from new signing Denis Conoly and follow-ups from Billy Ocean and New Musik.

# New Billy Joel LP

AT CBS' mid-year national AT CBS' mid-year national sales meeting at the Heathrow Hotel last Friday upcoming product was presented from CBS, Epic and associated labels, as well as the distributed labels — GTO, MCA, Jet, DJM, Warwick and Creole.

Among albums from both established artists and new names CBS unveiled plans for the new Billy

established artists and new names CBS unveiled plans for the new Billy Joel album, Glass House, to be released on March 7. It will be supported by advertising in national, trade and consumer music press, as well as a national radio campaign.



ADAMS. DAVID commercia marketing manager, above, outlined his plans for a number of his plans for a number of campaigns. Throughout February, he said, CBS was offering generous discounts on 16 country classics in a campaign called Spring In The Country. Included are albums by Johnny Cash, Tammy Wynette, Willie Nelson, Crystal Gayle, George Jones and Dolly Parton. Posters and full point-of-sale Posters and full material are available.

The Spring campaign for the new £2.79 line offers "generous discounting" on 20 best sellers, including the recently pre-released Surf's Up which has already including the recently pre-released Surf's Up which has already charted. Other titles include albums from Earth Wind & Fire, Barbra Streisand, David Essex and Tammy Wynette. There will be a display Wynette. pack including colour posters, browser cards, window stickers and wall banners as well as press advertising, Reps will be calling on dealers with full details.

Adams also focused attention on two albums which so far had only received limited distribution — Johnny Mathis' Tears and Laughter and a country compilation. Both are currently being test marketed - Mathis in Westward and the country package in Anglia.

There will also be extensive point of sale material, window displays and a sale material, window displays and a full-scale poster campaign, plus instore video promotion. Joel plays his first UK dates in this country for over a year at Wembley (March 30, 31) and Liverpool (April 2).

The Psychedelic Furs have their debut LP out on March 7. Simply entitled.

debut LP out on March 7. Simply entitled The Psychedelic Furs, the LP will retail at a special price of £3.99 for the first 15,000, which will be packaged in a dayglo pink and yellow sleeve. After that, the album will revert to the normal the album will revert to the normal 44.99 price and the packaging will be revised. The cassette will also retail at an experimental £3.99 price tag. The LP will be supported by trade, consumer music press flyposting and window displays.

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Other product presented included Tim Renwick, Nina Hagen, Jacques Loussier, Moe Bandy, Johnny Cash, Jules and the Polar Bears, Bobb Bare, Janie Fricke, Mi-Sex and the soundtrack from the upcoming film Electronic Horseman starring Robert Redford and Jane Fonda.

# MCA offerings

NEW ALBUMS from Blood Sweat & Tears and Frankie Valli headed MCA's presentation. B, S & T's, Nuclear Blues (MCF 3061) co-incides with the band's UK tour with War in March/April. A campaign covers both bands and includes extensive press advertising, £10,000 worth of radio time and nationwide shop displays with concentration on

shop displays with concentration tour towns.

The Very Best of Frankie Valli (MCF 3053) includes hits such as Grease and My Eyes Adored You. Valli and The Four Seasons have a UK tour in May.

Pressure (MCF 3055) is the band

that accompanies jazz saxophonist Ronnie Laws. MCA hopes to find similar success with this act as it has done with Spyro Gyra. Advertising for the album will at first be in specialised disco publications.

The comedy album, You Don't Have To Be Jewish (CDL 8502) is being re-released at the special price of £3.29.

# **TV plugs for Nolans**

ON THE Epic and associated labels, both K.C. and The Nolans — who have had big chart hits this year — have planned TV marketing activity around their respective albums. The Nolan Sisters (EPC 83892), released last November, is being advertised in the ATV region. K.C. and the Sunshine Band's Greatest Hits is being advertised in the ATV, Granada, Tyne Tees and Yorkshire regions

regions.

Other albums presented included the Beach Boys Keepin' The Summer Alive, The Barbara Dickson Album which will feature her current hit Caravans, Dan Fogelberg, Peter Brown, Foxy, Heart and Love Unlimited.

Single previews followed from The Photos, After The Fire, Starjets, the Quick, John Cooper Clarke and two new American acts — 20/20 and the Romantics.

Michael Jackson's LP Off The Wall (EPC 83468) has now become the biggest American Epic album in the UK — overtaking Meat Loaf's Bat Out Of Hell.



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# KATE BUSH

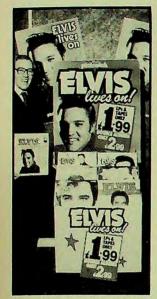
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EMI EMI RECORDS (UK)

# RETAILING

# Spot the catalogue confusion



PICKWICK SALES Director Alan Friedlander proudly shows off the new in-store Elvis Lives On dumper new in-store Elvis Lives On dumper unit, which is part of the company's Explosive Elvis promotion — for which there is to be extensive radio and in-store back up. The promotion involves 11 LPs and tapes at £1.99 (double albums £2.99) and a specially featured 2LP, Double Dynamite, with which there is a free Presley poster for every buyer.

DEALERS WHO cannot think of a connection between the two groups (admittedly musically poles apart) called Fiddlers Dram and Martha and the Muffins, have probably not got round to ordering the debut LPs

Those who have will have noticed that the prefixes for both catalogue numbers are the same.

numbers are the same.
Fiddlers Dram's self titled LP,
released on February 1 on Dingles is
DID 711. Coincidentally, and at first
unwittingly, Din Disc has chosen
DID as prefix for its albums, so the
Martha and the Muffins first LP,
Metro Music, is DID 1.
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Metro Music, is DID 1.

Neither Dave Thomas, director of Spartan which distributes Dingles, nor DinDisc MD Carol Wilson, foresee any confusion among dealers. Thomas pointed out that the dealers. Thomas pointed out that the records are for entirely different markets, and anyway dealers use titles as well as numbers when ordering; while Carol Wilson emphasised that as long as the two labels went through different disributors (Din Disc is through CBS) it was highly unlikely that any serabler could get the two albums or retailer could get the two albums or future releases on either label —

muddled up when ordering.

Metro Music is released on February 15, and the two labels agree not only in prefixes but on the promised success of the respective

The new Fiddlers Dram single Beer Cart Lane should cause no ordering problems — the prefix changes to SID for singles, which is totally different to DinDise's DIN singles prefix.

# News in brief...

product from Europe, Conifer Records has taken on Alan Woodley — formerly a salesman for Selecta in — formerly a salesman for Selecta in the Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Hertfordshire area — as a freelance agent, as from February 4. Alan Woodley (who is also representing Bush and St Clair, a Bournemouth-based record accessories firm) will be selling the complete Conifer catalogue, which includes imports for WEA and CBS; the range of specialist Arab product with which John Deacon started the Conifer business a few years ago; and the product which will be coming in under the recent deal with EMI.

Dealers in the area west of a line from Gloucester to Worthing can contact Woodley at Camberley (0276) 64838.

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(0276) 64838.

BEGGARS BANQUET, which was a chain of record shops before it was a successful record label, is opening a new shop — at Disraeli Road in Putney, South West London (right opposite Boots) — on

February 16. The Merton Parkas are gracing the occasion.

BOOKING FORMS for the May 1980 Music Industries Conference in Bournemouth will be going out within the next couple of weeks. The conference is clearly intended

for the music dealer whose trade is in, or includes to a large extent, musical instruments and sheet music

musical instruments and sheet music
— rather than the record dealer.
Lack of support from business
and trade has resulted in the
cancellation of the GRRC conference.

conference.

There also appears to be nothing of specific interest to the record retailer in the list of forthcoming MTA Training Centre Courses (until June this year) but this is because the record courses for this training session, each session running from July to July roughly, have already been held last autumn. There will be record retail oriented courses in the 1980.81 session.



TO SHOW their appreciation of the sales force and distribution staff of WEA in connection with the chart topping entry of their new LP, the Pretenders visited the depot at Alperton. Pictured here are the band (first, third, fourth and fifth from the left) who are Pete Farndon, Chrissie Hynde, James Honeyman-Scott and Martin Chambers; with director of Alperton operations, Mike Hitches; head of press and A&R, Moira Bellas; and Jonathan Clyde, WB general manager.



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# INTERNATIONAL

# **Dutch duo** forms The Company

HILVERSUM: An important development in Dutch publishing and independent publishing and independent record production circles has occurred with the establishment of The Company by Peter Schoonhoven and Pieter van Bodegraven, formerly managing director and general manager of EMI Music Publishing in of EMI Holland.

Holland.

The company, linked financially with the German Bertelsmann conglomerate through Ariola Benelux, set its first deals at Midem last month. An early signing is George Baker, a well-established star in Holland, who will also be managed by Rita den Hengst, personal assistant to Company directors Schoonhoven and van Bodegraven.

Schoonhoven headed EMI Music/in Holland for 12 years.

# Betting on the charts

AMSTERDAM: Betting on the charts could become a national habit in Holland following the recent launch of the Nationale

Youngsters are invited to take part Youngsters are invited to take part in this pool and to predict whether the Top 10 records will be higher, lower or at the same position in the following week's charts. Proceeds rollowing week's charts. Friocetors will go to a fund for children's projects presided over by Crown Princess Beatrix, who will succeed her mother Queen Juliana as Queen of Holland this spring.

Record shops all over the country are supplying participants with cards carrying the lottery regulations. These cards have to be sent to the organisers, together with about 30p worth of extra stamps.

The chart is compiled by the BUMA/STEMRA copyright organisation and follows the British BMRB example. It contains the top and is broadcast 50 records Sunday afternoons by the national Dateline: Amsterdam

pop station Hilversum Three.

This programme now announces the winners of the Hit Toto and prizes total £2,500 per week. Government permission has been granted for 26 weeks, and after 10 weeks, the scheme will be reviewed. weeks, the scheme will be reviewed and a decision taken whether to go

and a decision taken whether to go on with it. The organisers need to attract about 45,000 participants a week in order to reach the £250,000 target for the children's fund.

BUMA/STEMRA employees have been testing the Hit Toto for several months, and found it fairly difficult to predict chart movements. The cost of compiling the chart is being covered by BUMA/STEMRA's Hit Telefoon, which is an answering machine that plays a new hit record every day and offers information on chart

positions. About 100,000 people each week dial this particular number and the national telephone company pays BUMA/STEMRA a small fee for each call.

RECENT CHART topper here is a rather silly song entitled Netherlands Has The Ball, sung by Andre van Duin backed by the Dutch national

For this song van Duin, one of Holland's most popular comedy stars and a Dutch equivalent of Benny Hill, appears dressed in wellington boots, baggy football shorts, shirt and a beret and wearing snorts, snirt and a deter and wearing an expression which makes one fear for his sanity. The song itself is banal, yet thousands of Dutch people have bought it and the reason lies in a piece of the country's

history.

For hundreds of years, the south of Holland has enjoyed carnival about this time every year. It has always been and in the South still is a always been and in the South still is a religious festival, enabling people to eat, drink and be merry before the period of fasting which precedes Easter. Each village has its own celebrations, with three days of jollity similar to the famous Rio de Janeiro carnival and each village has additionally above its own carnival. traditionally chosen its own carnival song to be sung and played by local

song to be sung and played by local musicians.

About 10 years ago, the record companies here had the idea that carnival songs could be big business and they were right. Radio and TV are alive with these singalong offerings, with such titles as I Am Ally From The AA and Never Take Your Doggie To A Chinese Restaurant.

# Why ban our exports asks **Portugal**

LISBON: The recent UK court action taken by record companies against importers bringing product in from Portugal has caused considerable concern amone Portugues concern among Portuguese record companies, whose survival depends to a substantial extent on their ability to export extent on their ability to export product. The companies here find it difficult to understand why Portuguese exports are singled out for action when massive amounts of product flood into the UK from North

America.
The Portuguese market is extremely limited with an annual production of something like 10 million units, and revenue from exports is an essential part of the record companies' liability equation.

Exports from Portugal are handled by private wholesalers which buy relatively small quantities of records from local manufacturers and ship them to various European countries. The Portuguese licensee authorities maintain good control over the payment of mechanical rights and up till now no infringements

have been discovered.

Portuguese record companies often have to wait long periods to receive master tapes from foreign licensors; these delays hold up production and depress eventual sales, and special trips are sometimes necessary obtain master tapes.

# Metronome leads the way

From MICHAEL HENKELS

HAMBURG: 1979 was a successful year for Metronome, which for the year was the Polygram company with the highest rise in sales figures in Germany.

Although the German music industry is suffering a general stagnation, Metronome increased its sales by 21 per cent. The biggest share of this overall figure was achieved in the musicassette sector.

general stagnation, the control of this overall figure was achieved in the musicassette sector.

During 1979 Metronome took 4.53 per cent of the Musikmarkt single chart, compared with .97 per cent in 1978, and 2.56 per cent of the LP chart (.90 per cent in 1978). Village People went gold on singles and albums, M

won a gold single and Milva achieved a gold album.

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Village People sales statistics during the year show over
500,000 on YMCA and 100,000 on In The Navy, while
M's Pop Muzik also passed the half million mark. Al
Hudson and German country group Truck Stop also had
singles in six figure sales.
Over 250,000 albums were sold in the case of Milva
with Von Tag Zu Tag, Village People and the TVpromoted Hallo — The Hollies.
Metronome has doubled its sales figures over the last
three years, but managing director Rudolf Gassner
foresees a smaller increase in 1980.

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# AWARDS

# **SINGLES**

# TOP SINGLES - 1979

- 1. BRIGHT EYES, Art Garfunkel
- 2 HEART OF GLASS, Blondie, Chrysalis
  3. WE DON'T TALK ANYMORE,
- Cliff Richard, EMI

  4. WHEN YOU'RE IN LOVE, Dr.
  Hook, Capitol
- 5. DON'T LIKE MONDAYS.
- Boomtown Rats, Ensign 6.1 WILL SURVIVE, Gloria
- Gaynor, Polydor
  7. ARE FRIENDS ELECTRIC, Tubeway Army, Beggars
- 8. DANCE AWAY, Roxy Music,
- Polydor 9. ONE DAY AT A TIME, Lena Martell, Pye 10. SUNDAY GIRL, Blondie,
- Chrysalis

### TOP MALE ARTIST

- ART GARFUNKEL EDWIN STARR DAVE EDMUNDS
- B.A. ROBERTSON CLIFF RICHARD GARY NUMAN GERRY RAFFERTY MICHAEL JACKSON

- DAVID BOWIE GENE CHANDLER

### **TOP GROUPS**

- BLONDIE
- ABBA EARTH WIND & FIRE CHIC POLICE

- ELECTRIC LIGHT ORCHESTRA 6
- SEX PISTOLS
- BONEY M ROXY MUSIC
- THREE DEGREES



# TOP FEMALE ARTIST

- LENE LOVICH
- DONNA SUMMER AMII STEWART GLORIA GAYNOR

- KATE BUSH LENA MARTELL
- JANET KAY
  ANITA WARD
  OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN
  ANNE MURRAY

# TOP PRODUCERS

- BERNARD EDWARDS/NILE
- RODGERS MIKE CHAPMAN
- MIKE CHAPMAN
  MICKIE MOST
  GIORGIO MORODER
  ANDERSSON/ULVAEUS
  MAURICE WHITE
- JEFF LYNNE NICK LOWE
- COOK/JONES GARY NUMAN

### TOP WRITERS

- BERNARD EDWARDS/NILE
- RODGERS ANDERSSON/ULVAEUS
- D. FEKARIS/F. PERREN JEFF LYNNE

- GARY NUMAN MORALLI/BELOLLO/WILLIS
- FI VIS COSTELLO MIKE CHAPMAN/NICKY
- CHINN GLEN TILBROOK/CHRIS
- DIFFORD

### TOP PUBLISHERS INDIVIDUAL

- WARNER BROTHERS
- ATV MUSIC VIRGIN CARLIN

- RONDOR
- 6. 7. 8. BOCU BEGGARS BANQUET/
- ANDREW HEATH JET/UA
- SINGATUNE 10

- CORPORATE WARNER BROTHERS ATV MUSIC RONDOR

- CHAPPELL
- EMI CARLIN VIRGIN
- APRIL
- ISI AND
- HEATH LEVY

# **ALBUMS**

## TOP ALBUMS - 1979

- 1. PARALLEL LINES, Blondie,
- Chrysalis
  2. GREATEST HIT VOL. 2, Abba
- 3 GREATEST HITS, Rod
- Stewart, RIVA 4. DISCOVERY, Electric Light
- Orchestra, JET
  5. THE VESRY BEST OF, Leo
- Sayer, Chrysalis 6 REGGATTA DE BLANC,

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  Police, A & M
  7. BREAKFAST IN AMERICA,
  Supertramp, A & M
  8. VOULEZ VOUS, Abba, Epic
  9. BARBRA STREISAND'S
  GREATEST HITS VOL. 2, CBS
  10. SPIRITS HAVING FLOWN,
  BAB GARS RSO Bee Gees, RSO

### TOP MALE ARTISTS

- **BARRY MANILOW**
- JEFF WAYNE LEO SAYER NEIL DIAMOND

- JAMES LAST ROD STEWART BOB DYLAN
- MIKE OLDFIELD GERRY RAFFERTY
- BILLY JOEL

# TOP FEMALE ARTIST

- KATE BUSH BARBRA STREISAND
- DONNA SUMMER JUDIE TZUKE
- RICKIE LEE JONES BILLIE JO SPEARS LENA MARTELL
- DIANA ROSS DORIS DAY

RUBY WINTERS

### **TOP GROUPS ELECTRIC LIGHT**

- **ORCHESTRA** 
  - BLONDIE EARTH WIND & FIRE

  - POLICE ABBA DIRE STRAITS

# TOP MISC. SOUNDTRACK THE BEST DISCO ALBUM

- IN THE WORLD GREASE
- DON'T WALK BOOGIE ACTION REPLAY
- COUNTRY LIFE SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER
- THIS IS IT
- MONUMENT TO
- BRITISH ROCK ROCK 'N' ROLLER DISCO COUNTRY PORTRAITS

# TOP PRODUCERS MIKE CHAPMAN JEFF LYNNE

- RON DANTE/BARRY MANILOW
- GARY NUMAN TODD RUNDGREN
- ANDERSSON/ULVAEUS SUPERTRAMP/PETER
- HENDERSON BERNARD EDWARDS/NILE
- RODGERS
- ANDREW POWELL POLICE

# **Colour section**

CAN YOU RESIST A NIBBLE? Hot Chocolate. RAK/EMI. Designed by John Mundy of CDP Aspect.

THANKS BARBRA. Barbra Streisand. CBS. Designer;
Roger Isaacson of David Pilton Advertising.
THE VERY BEST OF LEO SAYER. Leo Sayer.
Chrysalis. Designer: Peter Wagg.
DISCOVERY. Electric Light Orchestra. Designer:
David Costa of Jubilee Graphics.

THE RAVEN. The Stranglers. Liberty/United. Designer: John Pasche.
SEMI DETACHED SUBURBAN. Manfred Mann.

# SEX PISTOLS SUPERTRAMP IAN DURY & THE BLOCKHEADS MEAT LOAF

# **National Press**

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Advertising.
PURE GOLD. Three Degrees. Ariola. Designer: Hutton Charrington and Buntrock. SOME GIRLS. Racey. RAK. Designer: Peter

Shepherd. SKY AD. Sky. Ariola. Designer: Hutton Charrington

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Presenter: Chris Black of EMI.

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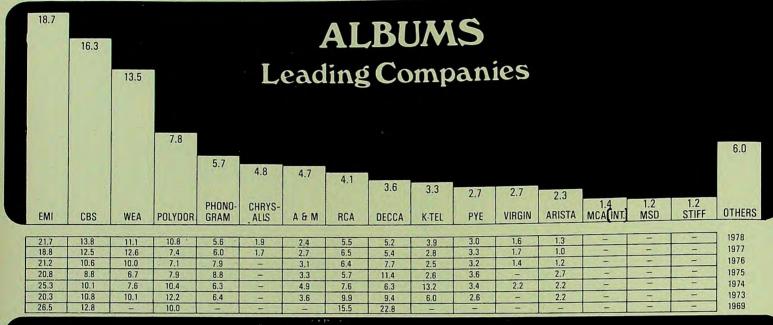
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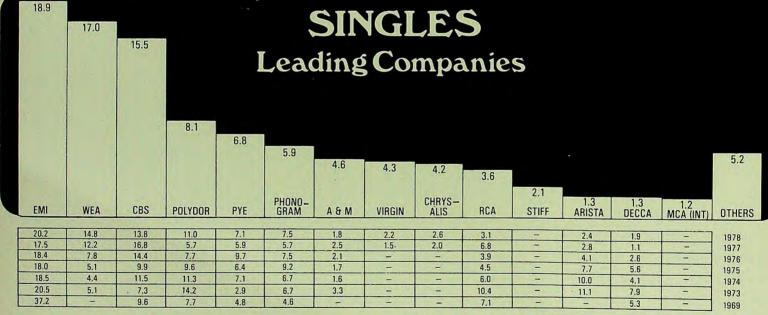
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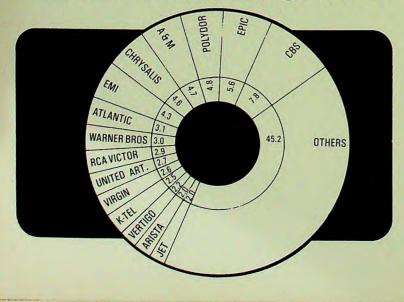


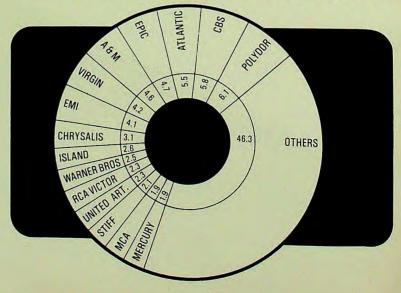
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# **AWARDS**

# ELO— eight years old and as fresh as they ever were

climaxed the Seventies with the news that in the annual Music Week chart survey they had emerged as the top album-selling group of 1979 — no mean achievement in a life which has now spanned eight

The albums which contributed to this success were the double-album Out of The Blue, Three Light Years (which was a box-set of three earlier LPs), Discovery, and, most recently, Greatest Hits. It was a great year for Greatest Hits. It was a great year for hit singles too with Discovery spawning four Top Ten hits, Shine A Little Love, The Diary Of Horace Wimp, Don't Bring Me Down and

ELO was originally conceived by Carl Wayne and Roy Wood as a classically oriented offshoot of the classically oriented offshoot of the Move. The original line-up was Roy Wood, Jeff Lynne and Bev Bevan and they made one album before Wood left to form Wizard. The remaining members, joined by three musicians from the London Symphony Orchestra, scored the first Electric Light Orchestra hit single soon afterwards with Roll Over Beethoven, which combined themes from Chuck Berry and Beethoven.

ELO recorded for EMI's Harvest label and Warner Brothers before signing to Don Arden's Jet label. Thus began the most rewarding



hits like Evil Woman, Living Thing, Rockaria!, Telephone Line, and Turn To Stone, and the classic A

New World Record album.

Without detracting from the respective talents of the other members of the outlin, few would disagree that Jeff Lynne is the true genus of ELO. Apart from writing all the band's material and producing all their albums and singles, he has also written for other artists including Helen Reddy and his music features in the soundtrack of the new Olivia Newton

his music leatures in the solutations of the new Olivia Newton John/Gene Kelly film, Xanadu.

Paradoxically, Lynne is the one that all the fans know yet generally his name means very little to the average member of the public. He has a dislike of publicity, shunning the solution, and preferring the spotlight, and preferring provincial life in his native Midlands to the bright lights of London or California.

Lynne also dislikes touring and live appearances, feeling much more at home in the recording studios or

composing.

For Electric Light Orchestra at the moment, the sky's the limit.

# Manilow's magic pays dividends

THE SUCCESS of Barry Manilow — MW's top male artist (albums), on the strength of two releases, Manilow Magic and Even Now — will doubtlessly have brought sighs of relief from more than a few quarters. For the last two or three years now, the young Brooklyn singer has been the top-selling MOR artist in the US but it is only in the last 12 months or so that he has finally broken through in the UK

Manilow's career doesn't need too much documenting. Suffice to say, one of his first breaks came when he was pianist for an equally-unknown singer called Bette Midler at the Continental Baths in New York.

After being signed to Arista he started recording a whole string of multi-million selling singles, ranging from such ballads as Can't Smile Without You, I Write The Songs and the show-stopping Mandy, to the disco-influenced Copacabana.

Although not all of Manilow's hits have been self-penned — in fact Can't Smile Without You was written by the English Arnold-Martin-Morrow team — he has

Martin-Morrow team — he has written hits for other artists including Donna Summer. Dusty Springfield recorded Sandra, one of the highlights of her act, and I'm Your Child.

Manilow's UK success until 18 months ago was sporadic — plenty of airplay for his records but very little else as back-up. Then Arista took the step of booking him into the London Palladium for a series of concerts, and the tide turned.

Rave notices, a concert at the Royal

Rave notices, a concert at the Royal Albert Hall which was recorded by the BBC and later shown as by the BBC and later shown as two specials — each of which were repeated — and the Manilow Magic album, which brought together his greatest American hits and was advertised on TV, resulted in everybody becoming aware of the name Barry Manilow.

the name Barry Manilow.

Manilow doesn't possess the greatest voice and he doesn't sing the greatest songs, but he does have to communicate the ability directly with people and strike a chord somewhere.

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# **Victory for** Lene

THREE TOP 20 singles have helped Lene Lovich become the top female (singles) artist of the year — Lucky Number which hit number three in March and launched the lady on an unsuspecting public; Say When, which reached number 19 for two weeks in June; and Bird Song which charted last October. Lene Lovich first became known when she was included in the 1978 Be Stiff railway tour of the UK (which incidentally won a Music Week award for top helped Lene Lovich become the

Music Week award for top promotion). Shortly afterwards Stiff Records released Lucky Number and the stage was set.

# TOP FEMALE

Her publicity tells us that she Her publicity tells us that she was born in Detroit, has a Yugoslavian father, an English mother and was brought up in the UK after her father tried to send her to Russia! Other intriguing facts are that she got her first taste of showbusiness requisitions. providing the screams for French horror films, has been a belly dancer in the Far East and also a fairground dancer in Russia.

Lene Lovich now lives permanently in the UK, and penned Lucky Number and Bird Song with her boyfriend Les Chappell — who also plays guitar in her band.



DEBBIE HARRY of Blondie.

# **Garfunkel scores with hit that** almost didn't happen



recording career spanning some seven years now, Art Garfunkel has scored only two big hit records, yet both have been Number One for several weeks in the UK white scarcely causing a ripple back in his native US.



ART GARFUNKEL

# **Two titles for Blondie**

DEBBIE HARRY of Blondie has been dubbed "the Marilyn Monroe of rock and roll" and even hardened critics were moved to describe her as the most exciting female rock performer since Janis Joplin, following the band's recent UK dates, It can't be denied that 1979 was Blondia's greatest moneys so was Blondie's greatest moment so far with Music Week awards on the top singles band of the year, and for top album of the year with Parallel

Lines.

The band climaxed 1979 with three top-selling singles, Heart Of Glass — the second best-selling record of the year — Sunday Girl (ninth) and Dreaming which although only 39th still sold more than 250,000 copies. In the album section, Blondie took top honours with Parallel Lines and also came 21st with Eat To The Beat. Both albums of course are still high in the albums of course are still high in the

chart.
It is difficult finding something new to say about Blondie - and

particularly about Debbie Harry. The last 18 months have seen them receive almost unprecedented coverage in the national and popular music press. Open any magazine nowadays, and it seems that Debbie Harry's face is there. And the success story shows no

sign of abating, with the news recently that Blondie's Eat To The Beat, financed by Chrysalis, has been produced as a video album.

been produced as a video album.
Some of the credit for Blondie's success must go to producer Mike Chapman who first saw them performing in a Los Angeles club some three years ago. Chrysalis boss Terry Ellis had invited him to produce the group, but it was only after seeing them live that Chapman saw the real potential of Blondie. The immediate results of the new partnership were hits with Denis and partnership were hits with Denis and Hanging On The Telephone and since then of course Blondie have conquered Atlantic. both sides of

The songs were, of course, his reworking of the 1934 Harry Warren/Al Dubin hit I Only Have Eyes For You and, most recently, Bright Eyes which has earned Garfunkel the accolade of Top Male Singer (singles) for 1979, and achieved for itself the title of Top Single Of The Year.

If Art Garfunkel's singles chart success has been rather inconsistent he can still take credit for coming up with two hits that will always be remembered as part of the history of Seventies pop and which have won

Seventies pop and which have won him a following ranging from young

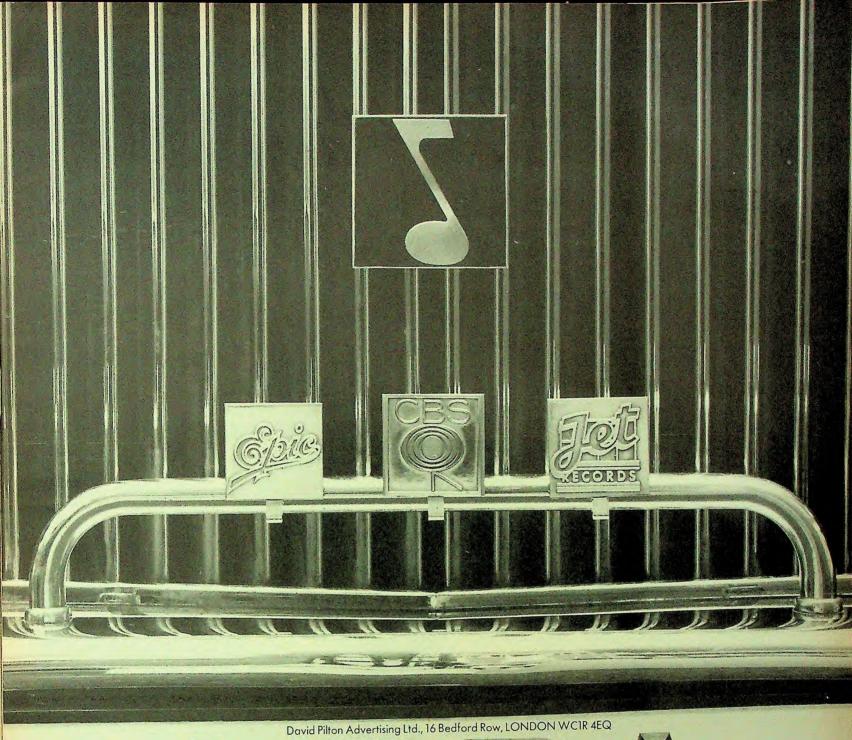
children to the elderly.

Bright Eyes was almost the hit that wasn't. Written by producer Mike Batt for the film Watership Down, Garfunkel recorded the song some three years ago as part of the film's soundtrack, only for the song to nearly finish up on the cutting-room floor. Ultimately of course, it was featured and became the hit of the year, sung by countless thousands of children.

It's worthwhile recalling that the same thing had happened 40 years carlier from the original Wizard of Oz print — and we all know what that did for Judy Garland after Over The Rainbow was reinstated in the

Garfunkel has made four solo albums to date, Angel Clare, Breakaway and Watermark (all three of which were recently repackaged in a box-set), and Fate For Breakfast, which includes Bright Eyes. His excursions to the Eyes. His excursions to the recording studios are few and far between, and his live appearances non-existent, but he still has one of the truly distinctive voices of popular music and the ability to move many people by his music. One interesting fact — Garfunkel has never recorded any of his own songs; he always chooses the cream of other people's material.

> "Garfunkel recorded the song three years ago . . . only for the song to nearly finish up on the cutting room floor"



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A-Z (TOP WRITERS)
All Night Long (Blackman/Glover).

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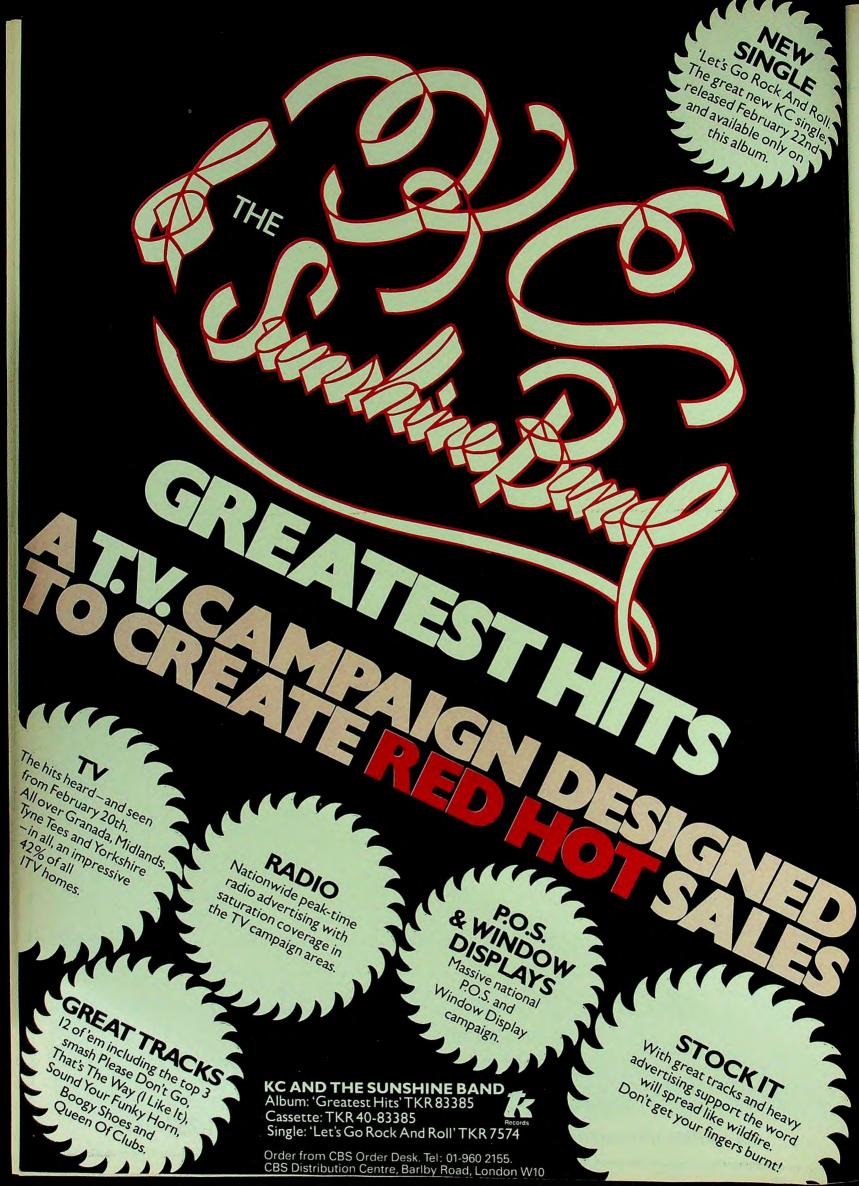
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RADIO TWO: ALBUM OF THE WEEK NEW DAY Kings Singers EMI SCX 6629 (E)

RADIO TWO: DAVID HAMILTON'S RECORD OF THE WEEK LOVE PATROL Dooleys CAPITAL: PEOPLE'S CHOICE PATA PATA Osibisa CLYDE: CURRENT CHOICE ANOTHER NAIL IN MY HEART Squeeze DOWNTOWN: MUSIC MOVER

FORTH: STATION HIT

LUXEMBOURG: POWERPLAY
LONGER Dan Fogelberg TEES: PEOPLE'S PIC

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PARTNERS IN CRIME Rupert Holmes Infinity PENNINE: PENNINE PIC WITHOUT YOU Three Degrees

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ACIDC Touch Too Much Warner Bros K11435 (W) ARMATRADING, JOAN Rosie A&M AMS 7506 (C) ARMANDO, DON I'm An Indian Too Island 6557 (E) AYERS, ROY Don't Stop The Feeling Polydor STEP 6 (F)

BLACKIE Making A Bad Boy Good RAK 304 (E)

CHEAP TRICK Way Of The World Epic EPC 8114 (C) COSTELLO, ELVIS I Can't Stand Up F. Beat 21 (W) CHORDS Maybe Tomorrow Polydor POSP 101 (F)

BLONDIE Atomic Chrysalis CHS 2410 (F) BONOFF, KARLA Baby Don't Go CBS 8177 (C)

DOOLEYS Love Patrol GTO GT 260 (C)

DICKIES Fan Mail A&M AMS 7504 (C)

FLYING LIZARDS T.V. Virgin VS 325 (C)

FOGELBERG, DAN Longer Epic EPC 8230 (C)

GAYLE, CRYSTAL The Blue CBS 8136 (C) GRIFF, ZAINE Tonight Automatic K 17547 (W)

HYMAN, PHYLLIS You Know Arista ARIST 323 (F) HALL/OATES Wait For Me RCA PB 1747 (R)

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IAN, JANIS Have Mercy Love CBS 8136 (C) ISLEY BROTHERS Winner Takes All Epic EPC (C) JAGS Woman's World Island WIP 6531 (E)

GIBB, ANDY Desire RSO 55 (F)

GIBSON BROTHERS Cuba

DIAMOND, NEIL September Morn CBS 8130 (C) DICKSON, BARBARA Caravan Song Epic EPC 8103 (C)

DUNKLEY, ERROL Sit Down & Cry Scope SC11 (W)

DIRT BAND American Dream United Artists UP 609 (E)

ETORIA, TONY So Far So Good Cobra COB 6 (E)

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# Y ACTIO BARCLAY JAMES HARVEST Love On The Line Polydor POSP 97 (F) BAYER-SAGER, CAROLE It's The Falling Elektra K 12314 (W) BELLAMY BROTHERS Lovin' On Warner Brothers K17568 (W) . BEACON, KIM My Blues Have Gone Rialto TREB 113 (A) . . CAPTAIN & TENNILLE Do That To Me . . . Casablanca CAN 175 (A) DE SARIO, TERRI/K. C. Yes I'm Ready Casablanca NB 2225 (A) DOLL You Used To Be My Hero Beggars Banquet BEG 31 (W) **DETROIT SPINNERS** Working My Way Back Atlantic 11432 (W) EATON, CLEVELAND I'm Lonely Tonight Miracle M 14 (A) EMERSON LAKE & PALMER Peter Gunn Atlantic K 11416 (W) EDMUNDS, DAVE Singing The Blues Swan Song SSK 19422 (W) FAITHFULL, MARIANNE Broken English Island WIP 6542 (E) FLACK/HATHAWAY You Are My Heaven Atlantic K11414 (W) FURAY, RITCHIE I Still Have Dreams Elektra/Asylum K 12413 (W) FIALKA, KAREL The Eyes Have It Blue Print BLU 2005 (A) GABRIEL, Peter Games Without Frontiers Charisma CB 354 (F) GAP BAND The Boys Are Back In Town Mercury MER 2 (F) GATES, DAVID Falling In Love Again Elektra/Asylum K 12423 (W) HOLLY & THE ITALIANS Tell That Girl To Shut Up Oval 1016 (C)

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| JACKSON, MICK You Don't Like CBS 8008 (C)  JONES, RICKIE LEE Easy Money Warner Brothers K 17556 (W)             |                                      |           |        |         | 11111  |        |   |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  |          |                  |
| KINNEY, FERN Together We Are Beautiful WEA K 7911 (W)   |                                      | +         |        |         |        |        |   |                                  | •                          |   |            |  |  |          | 4                |
| KORGIS I Just Can't Help It Rialto TREB 112 (A)   |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   | 144                              |                            | 1   | 111        |  |  | +        | -                |
| KIPNER, STEVE Knock The Walls Down Elektra/Asylum K 12411   |                                      | 144       |        |         |        | -      |   |                                  |                            | 111   |            |  |  |          | +                |
| KANDIDATE Let Me Rock You RAK 306 (E)  LEDIN, TOMAS Not Bad At All Epic EPC 8079 (C)                            |                                      |           | 1      | •       |        | -      | H•  |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  |          | 1                |
| LEWIS, LINDA Sleeping Like A Baby Ariola  |                                      |           | HH     |         |        |        |   |                                  |                            |   | •          |  |  |          |                  |
| LOVICH, LENE Angels Stiff BUY 63 (C)  |                                      | 111       | 1111   |         |        |        |   |                                  |                            |   | 1          | -  |  |          | 1.               |
| LIQUID GOLD Dance Yourself Dizzy Polo 1 (C/CR)  |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   | 1111                             |                            |   | •          |  | +++  |          | +++              |
| LEWIS, JERRY LEE Everyday Elektra K 12399 (W)   |                                      |           |        | 444     |        | •      |   |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  |          | +                |
| MARTIN, MOON No Chance Capital CL 16116 (E)  MARTHA AND THE MUFFINS Echo Beach Dindisc DIN 9 (C)                |                                      | 1         |        | •       | 1111   |        |   | 1111                             |                            |   |            |  |  |          |                  |
| MCGREGOR, MARY Good Friend RSO 54 (F)   |                                      |           | HH     | 1111    |        |        |   |                                  | 0                          |   |            | 0  |  | •        |                  |
| MANN, C.C. 1980 Movement 24 ORR 1 (SP)  |                                      | I.        |        |         |        |        |   |                                  |                            |   | •          |  | 444  | •        |                  |
| NAZARETH Holiday Mountain TOP 50 (C)  |                                      |           |        | •       |        | •      |   | •   •                            |                            |   | 3          |  |  |          |                  |
| NIGHTINGALE, MAXINE Lead Me On United Artists BP 337 (E)  |                                      |           |        | •       | 1.     |        |   |                                  | •                          |   |            |  |  |          | 111              |
| 9 BELOW ZERO Pack Fair And Square  OCEAN, BILLY Are You Ready GTO GT 259 (C)                                    | 1111                                 |           |        |         |        |        |   |                                  |                            |   |            | 0  |  |          |                  |
| OSIBISA Pata Pata Pye 7P5013 (A)  |                                      |           | HH     |         | HH     |        |   |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  |          |                  |
| 0'JAYS Forever Mine Philadelphia PIR 8203 (C)   |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  |          |                  |
| POINTER, BONNIE I Can't Help Myself Motown TMG 1171 (E)   |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   |                                  | -                          |   |            | •  |  |          |                  |
| PHOENIX Just Another Day Charisma CB 352 (F)  |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  |          | •                |
| PLANETS Break It To Me Gently Rialto TREB 114 (A)   |                                      |           |        |         |        | •      |   |                                  | 444                        |   | 444        | -  | •  |          |                  |
| PLAYERS ASSN. We Got The Groove Vanguard VS5016 (A) PRICE, ALAN Love You True Jet 170 (C)                       |                                      |           | HH     |         | 14441  |        |   |                                  |                            | ++++  | +++        | 1  |  |          |                  |
| PRYOR, RENEE On Broadway Polydor POSP 109 (F)   |                                      |           |        |         |        | +      |   |                                  |                            |   | HH         | +++  |  | H        | H                |
| REAL THING Saint Or Sinner Pye 7P 161 (A)   |                                      |           |        |         | 1.11   |        |   |                                  | 1111                       |   |            | 1111   |  | H        | 111              |
| RAINBOW All Night Long Polydor POSP 104 (F)   |                                      |           |        |         |        | • •    |   |                                  |                            | 1   | 1          |  |  |          |                  |
| REVILLOS Motorbike Beat Dindisc DIN 5 (C)   |                                      |           |        |         |        | •      |   |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  |          |                  |
| ROCKY SHARPE Martin Hop Chiswick CHIS 1212 (E)  ROULETTE Lovers And Gamblers Ariola ARO 196 (A)                 |                                      |           |        |         |        | +++    | 11111   |                                  | 111                        |   |            | •  | -  |          |                  |
| ROBINSON, SMOKEY Cruisin' Motown TMG 1163 (E)   |                                      |           |        |         |        | H      |   |                                  |                            |   |            | •  |  |          | H                |
| RONSTADT, LINDA How Do I Make You Elektra/Asylum K 12419 (V   | /) -                                 |           |        | H       |        | 1      |   |                                  |                            |   |            |  | HH   |          | H                |
| RAWLS, LOU Sit Down Philadelphia PIR 8201 (C)   |                                      |           |        |         | -      |        |   |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  |          |                  |
| SAME Movements Blue Print BLU 2008 (A)  |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   |                                  |                            |   | •          |  |  |          |                  |
| SANTANA All I Ever Wanted CBS 8160 (C) SHALAMAR Right In The Socket Solar SO12 (R)                              | ++1++                                |           |        |         |        | 1      | 1111  |                                  |                            |   |            | •  |  |          |                  |
| SILICON TEENS Judy In Disguise Mute 004 (RT)  |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   |                                  | +++                        |   | •          | • •  | 11   |          |                  |
| SPARKS When I'm With You Virgin VS 319 (C)  |                                      |           | •      |         | -      |        | ++++  |                                  | +++                        |   |            |  | -  |          |                  |
| SPRINGFIELD, DUSTY Your Love Mercury DUSTY 5 (F)  |                                      |           |        | •       |        |        |   |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  | -        | 1                |
| STEVENS, SHAKIN' Hot Dog Epic EPC 1819 (C)  |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  | 11       | H                |
| STEWART, AMII Paradise Bird Atlantic/Hansa K 11424 (W) STREISAND, BARBRA I Ain't Gonna Cry Tonight CBS 8138 (C) |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   | •                                | •                          |   |            | •  |  |          |                  |
| SUMMER, DONNA On The Radio Casablanca NB 2236 (A)   |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   | ++++                             | •                          |   |            | •  |  |          |                  |
| SPYRO GYRA Catching The Sun MCA 568 (C)   |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   | +                                |                            | -   |            | ••••   | 1  | •        | •                |
| SQUEEZE Another Nail In My Heart A&M AMS 7507 (C)   | •                                    |           | 1      |         |        |        | 1.  |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  | +        |                  |
| SWEET, RACHEL Fools Gold Stiff BUY 67 (C)   |                                      |           |        |         |        | •      |   |                                  |                            |   | 1          |  | 1111   | H        |                  |
| THREE DEGREES Without You Ariola ARO 208 (A) TOTO St. George & The Dragon CBS 8085 (C)                          |                                      |           | 1      | •       |        |        | •   | •                                |                            |   | •          |  |  |          | 1                |
| TOURISTS So Good Logo Tour 1 (C)  |                                      |           |        |         |        | +      |   |                                  |                            |   | •          | •  | •  | •        |                  |
| THOMPSON, ALI Take A Little Rhythm A&M AMS 7505 (C)   |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   | ++++                             |                            |   | 1          | •  | 111  | •        | 1                |
| TIGERS Kidding Stops Strike KIK 1 (W)   |                                      |           |        |         |        | 1      |   |                                  | 1                          |   |            |  | +++  |          |                  |
| U.B.40 King Graduate GRAD 6 (SP)  | ۰                                    |           | •      |         |        |        |   | 1                                |                            |   |            |  |  | ++-      | ++               |
| VAPORS Turning Japanese United Artists BP 334 (E) WAR I'll Take Care Of You MCA 557 (C)                         |                                      |           |        | 444     | 1111   |        | •   |                                  |                            |   |            | 1111   |  | 1.       |                  |
| WEBB, MARTI Take That Look Off Your Face Polydor POSP 100 (F)   |                                      | 111       | 111    |         | 444    |        |   |                                  |                            |   |            |  |  |          | 1                |
| WHIRLWIND Heaven Knows Chiswick CHIS 122 (E)  |                                      |           |        | •       |        | •      | HiH   | 1111                             | 1                          | • •   | •          |  | ••   |          | •                |
| WILLIAMS, DON Love Me MCA 551 (C)   |                                      |           |        | +++     |        |        |   | 1111                             |                            | -   |            |  | •  |          |                  |
| WONDER, STEVIE Black Orchid Motown TMG 1173 (E)   |                                      |           | 1111   |         |        |        |   |                                  | 1444                       |   | 1144       |  | 1  | •        | 11               |
| WRECKLESS ERIC A Pop Song Stiff BUY 54 (C)  |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   |                                  |                            |   |            | 1  | 111  | •        | 11               |
| WILLIAMS, ANDY Railway Hotel CBS 8231 (C)   |                                      |           |        |         |        |        |   | TITI.                            |                            |   |            | 111  |  |          | +                |
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| THE NOLAN SISTERS | END OF THE CENTURY Ramones | THE WALL Pink Royd | I'M THE MAN Joe Jackson | GREATEST HITS VOL 2. Abba | OFF THE WALL Michael Jackson | KENNY<br>Kenny Rogers    | REGGATTA DE BLANC<br>Police | SPECIALS<br>Specials | GOLDEN COLLECTION Charlie Pride | PERMANENT WAVES Rush | SHORT STORIES Jon & Vangelis | ONE STEP BEYOND Madness | PRETENDERS<br>Pretenders | THE LAST DANCE<br>Various |
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| Chrysalis CDL 1239       | NO PLACE TO RUN                          |             | 37 25        |
| Warner Brothers K 66088  | TUSK  Reetwood Mac                       |             | 36 31        |
| K-Tel NE 1067            | THE SUMMIT Various                       |             | 35 17        |
| RAK EMTV 22              | 20 HOTTEST HITS O                        |             | 34 24        |
| Jet JETLP 224            | SHEER GREED<br>Girl                      |             | 33 59        |
| United Artists UAK 30263 | KENNY ROGERS SINGLES ALBUM Kenny Rogers  |             | <b>32</b> 34 |
| Chrysalis CDL 1225       | EAT TO THE BEAT O                        |             | 31 32        |
| Jet JETLX 500            | DISCOVERY  Bectric Light Orchestra       |             | 30 30        |
| Polydor 2383 462         | CAPTAIN BEAKY AND HIS BAND Keith Michell |             | 29 42        |
| Capitol EST 12018        | SOMETIMES YOU WIN  or. Hook              |             | 28 26        |
| K-Tel NE 1066            | STARS                                    | VIDEO STARS | 27 27        |
| Chrysalis CDL 1192       | PARALLEL LINES O                         |             | 26 22        |
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| 51 60           | RUMOURS<br>Restwood Mac                         | O Warner Brothers K 56344              |
| <b>52</b> 48    | BAT OUT OF HELL O Epic                          | Epic/Cleveland International EPC 82419 |
| 53 54           | WAR OF THE WORLDS  Jeff Wayne's Musical Version | O CBS 96000/WOW 100                    |
| <b>54</b> May   | FLOGGING A DEAD HORSE<br>Sex Pistols            | Virgin V 2142                          |
| 55 66           | SUNBURN<br>Soundtrack                           | Ronco RTL 2044                         |
| 56 44           | MATCHBOX<br>Matchbox                            | Magnet MAG 5031                        |
| <b>57</b> 51    | VOULEZ VOUS                                     | O Epic EPC 86086                       |
| 58 NAV          | ARGY BARGY Squeeze                              | A&M AMLH 64802                         |
| = <b>59</b> NEW | COUNTRY GUITAR Various                          | Warwick WW 5070                        |
| MEN 09          | ADVENTURES IN UTOPIA Utopia                     | Island ILPS 9602                       |
| CVEIN [6        | VICTIMS OF THE FURY Robin Trower                | Chrysalis CHR 1215                     |
| <b>62</b> 55    | FAWLTY TOWERS<br>Soundtrack                     | BBC REB 377                            |
| 63 72           | SKY<br>Sky                                      | Arioia ARLH 5022                       |
| 64 MAN          | THE AGE OF PLASTIC Buggles                      | Island ILPS 9585                       |
| - EE            | DARK SIDE OF THE MOON                           | <b>3</b>                               |

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ARTISTS ARE being sought

for auditions for the American Heroes album, written by Barry Mason and Michael Johnson, to

be recorded in conjunction with WEA.

Reports Mason: "We are looking for a great young female black and white singer

temale black and white singer and a male singer with a strong personality. If they have acting ability so much the better!" American Heroes is scheduled

for a theatrical production to open either in New York or London later this year. It is a Western Galaxy/WEA project and has already had

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LOVE IS . . . a massive worldwide hit record. It could be if a songwriter comes up with the right song to tie in with those lovable cartoon characters.

London-based management consultant Neville Shulman has become manager of Kim Grove, the woman behind the famous Love Is cartoon which is syndicated by the Los Angeles Times and appears in Britain's Daily Mail and other newspapers around the world.

Shulman is looking for a song, to be titled Love Is, as a further part of the extensive merchandising activities which have already spun-off the cartoon. Incidentally, Shulman is also manager of Twiggy and he tells me that her latest album, as yet untitled, has been recorded in Los Angeles and he is now negotiating a new recording contract for her.

Contact Neville Shulman, 43 Welbeck Street, London W1. (Tel: 01-486 6363)

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# **Breaking into** French discos

shipped gold in Brazil, on Sigla Records.
"It must be hit material that could be a success in the UK and America", he says. To reach the America''. he says. To reach the elusive international market, his last album, aptly named Malcolm Forest, was a balance between disco (Disco Lady, Hold Me Tight, etc.) and ballads (It's Not Too Late To Start Again, When I Wanted You, etc.). The record company uses extensive TV and radio for its promotion. promotion.

should be sent Cassettes Malcolm Forest, c/o Paul Kigar, Amcongen Sao Paulo, Apo Miami, Florida 34030, USA.

MALCOLM FOREST, Brazilian AOR (album oriented rock)/disco artist is to record a new album in Rio and is looking for songs. This follows up his latest LP, which

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Contact SUE FRANCIS

IF YOU are an independent producer, manager or involved in the running of an independent record company — specialising in disco, easy listening or rock productions — but unhappy with the results your product has made on the

results your product has made on the French market, Renaud Valin suggests you contact his promotion company, The European Record Pool (France), in Paris.

There are more than 4,000 discotheques open all year in France. His company aims to reach them all.

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How, one asks?
"Our most ambitious projects consists in releasing special mixes, free to DJs, of the latest product available. For this we need to be in close touch with companies and to get the authorisation from them to use masters to release the mixes.

For those interested in reaching the French market via this unique promotion system contact Renaud "DJ" Valin, The European Record Pool (France), 9 rue Vavin, 75006 Paris. Tel: 325 23 91.

MICK JACKSON was given a double welcome at a lunch party hosted by CBS marketing director Peter Robinson — a welcome to the record company with which he has just signed a recording deal, and a welcome back to the UK after a 12 year spell living in West Germany. Jackson recently scored with Blame It On The Boogie, which he wrote himself although The Jacksons actually won the chart battle with the same song. His first release for CBS is You Don't Light My Fire. Pictured are: Peter Robinson, Jackson, Peter Knight (director of Global Music) and Jeff Gilbert (general manager, CBS label).

# **High hopes for Cahoots**

CAHOOTS ARE a five-piece band from the London areas, comprising Bill Roberts, Richard Blanshard, Steven Rodford, Kelly Cantlon and

TALENT

Although their recent gig Although their recent gig at Fulham's well-known pub-rock venue, the Golden Lion, was only their fifth as a group, individually they all have quite impressive pedigrees - particularly for a band

# Cher's back

CHER ARRIVES in Europe at the end of April for a two week tour and TV appearances. The tour includes a date at the Hammersmith Odeon on May 14 and she will also record a Muppet show. Cher is currently recording her third album for Casablanca and a single will be released to co-incide with her visit.

so young in age.

The Golden Lion is not the best of venues for sound, but Cahoots impressed with a selection of crisp, tuneful numbers all penned by Bill

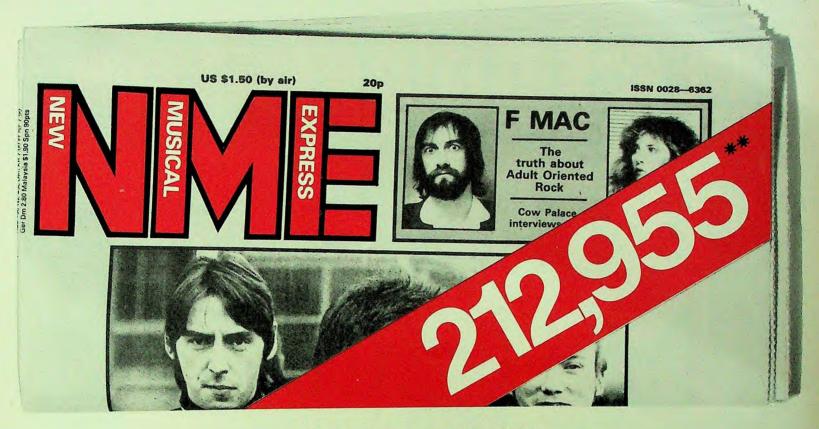
In one respect they are reminiscent of such Sixties pop groups as The Hollies, always respected for their clear sound, but Cahoots have enough of the contemporary touch guarantee them a future in the Eighties.

The band have already made several recordings at Strawberry Studios in Dorking, where they teamed up with Tony Spath, coengineer of the last two 10cc albums. They sound even more impressive

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# THE FIRST TWENTY YEARS

# Tamla Motown-the hit machine that never stops

THE STORY of Tamla Motown Records is as important and integral to the development of popular music over the last two decades as Elvis Presley, rock and roll and The Beatles.

From the slums and ghettoes of Detroit, Motor City of the New World, was born and grew a type of music that developed a style all its own — The Motown Sound.

A list of the artists who have recorded for, and in many cases still are recording for Motown, reads like a Who's Who in Black Music: Smokey Robinson, Marv Johnson, Etta James, The Miracles, The Four Tops, Mary Wells, Jimmy Ruffin, The Supremes, Diana Ross, The Temptations, Junior Walker, Marvin Gaye, Stevie Wonder Eddie Kendricks, The Commodores, Isley Brothers, Gladys Knight, The Jackson Five...the list is endless.

And the songs, like the artists, have become household names.

Classics from a rich musical era —

Dancing In The Street, Road

Runner, Jimmy Mack, Baby Love,
Reach Out (I'll Be There) and
hundreds more.

The Motown success story, while involving many people along the way, can be put down to the initiative, determination and talent

of one man — Berry Gordy Jnr.
During the mid-fifties, Gordy was part-time worker on the Ford Motor Company's production line

But at the same time he was writing songs and producing records. By early 1960, he had written or collaborated on 18 Hot Hundred entries, four of which went

Hundred entries, four of which went on to sell over one million copies. In 1958, Gordy first hit the headlines when his song, Lonely Teardrops sold a million copies for Jackie Wilson. In 1959 another Gordy-penned million-seller followed — You Got What It Takes followed



SMOKEY ROBINSON: It was Smokey who persuaded Gordy to manufacture and distribute own records and it was Smokey who wrote and recorded the early million-seller, Shop Around.

Working with Gordy during these early days were such as his sister Gwen, Tyran Carlo, Janie Bradford

Gwen, Tyran Carlo, Jame Bractora and Smokey Robinson.

In fact, Smokey — real name William Robinson — has, like Gordy, been there from the beginning, as artist, songwriter and executive. It was Smokey who persuaded Gordy to manufacture



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and distribute his own records and it and distribute his own records and it was Smokey who wrote and recorded the early million-seller. Shop Around. And later, he was to find success as a producer, his first big hit in this capacity being Mary Wells' My Guy. Of Wells and the now classic-rated song, he says "I would say that she was like the real starter for me. It gave me a new frame of mind, I began to like producing as much as performing and singing."

Gordy's early releases were first

much as performing and singing."
Gordy's early releases were first leased to End Records and later to Chess. At the same time, around 1959, Gordy's sister Gwen had her own label — Anna Records, named after yet another sister, and also distributed through Chess. On this settant Paul Cayten charted in set-up, Paul Gayten charted in America with The Hunch. And in early 1960, Barrett Strong's Money was also a sizeable hit. (The Anna label was phased out when Tamla came in and Money was later to be

came in and Money was later to be re-released on Tamla).
Gordy had by now decided to launch his own label. He did this with the aid of a 700 dollar loan from his family. So, in 1960 Tamla Motown was formed. Gordy originally wanted to call the label Tammy after Debbie Reynolds' 1957 hit but for convight reasons this hit, but for copyright reasons this was not possible. Motown was, obviously, derived from Detroit's Moto Town nickname.

Moto Town nickname.
First release on Motown was My Beloved by the Satintones in June 1960; the first on Tamla was the rerelease of Barrett Strong's Money.
A series of hits followed including Shop Around by The Miracles, Bye Bye Baby by Mary Wells, Please Mr Postman by The Marvellettes and Jamie by Eddie Holland.
Shop Around gave the company

Jamie by Eddie Holland.

Shop Around gave the company its first gold disc and Please Mr Postman its second.

And all the time, Tamla Motown was building up a strong, talented roster of artists including The Supremes (with Diana Ross), The Miracles (with Smokey Robinson),



BERRY GORDY: During the Mid-Fifties he was a part-time worker on the Ford Motor Company production line in Detroit, but at the same time was writing songs and producing records.

Marvin Gaye, Four Tops, Stevie Wonder, The Temptations, Martha and The Vandellas and Junior Walker.

The Motown sound was developing apace as was the formidable writing partnership of Eddie Holland, Brian Holland and Lamont Dozier. The sound — soon to be termed the Sound of Young America — was as much the responsibility of the in-house producers Smokey Robinson, Harvey Fuqua, Johnny Bristol and Gordy himself, as of the artists.

In 1962, the Gordy label (still in

use in America) made its bow and an early hit was notched with The Contours' Do You Love Me. (About Contours' Do You Love Me. (About the same time further Detroit-based small labels were enveloped into the Motown fold. By the end of 1962, the Harvey, Tri Phi, Miracle and Melody labels were all in there. With them came such artists as Jimmy and David Ruffin, Spinners and Junior Walker). Walker).
By 1964, Motown had become the

largest independent label in America, dominating the charts and increasing sales all the time

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MOTOWN IN the UK has been with EMI for most of its 20 years. Before the EMI connection started in 1963, Motown had spells with Decca,

Phillips/Fontana and Oriole

Between May 1959 and March 1961, seven singles were released here on the London American label, including Barrett Strong's

In June 1961, Decca lost the deal and Motown signed to Phillips/Fontana. Four records were released between November 1961 and March 1962, including the Marvellettes' Please Mr Postman.

Oriole Records. But by
September 1963, Oriole had
achieved little success here with
Motown releases — even though
during this period in the United States Motown scored a string of 19 hits, including three number ones. So Motown switched to

First release through EMI was First release through EMI was Heatwave by Martha Reeves and The Vandellas (which has just been re-released) on October 11, 1963. This, like other early releases were via the Stateside label.

From mid 1964 onwards, Motown was increasingly

successful here. (The Supremes Baby Love, for example, was a hit in November 1964).

After 45 single releases via Stateside, it was decided to give Motown product its own label identity in the UK, and it has had

this ever since.

The best selling Motown records in the UK to date have

been as follows:
Singles: Three Times A Lady by The Commodores; Jimmy Ruffin's What Becomes Of The Broken Hearted; and Diana Ross's I'm Still Waiting. Albums: Diana Ross's 20

Golden Greats (double platinum and, at the time of writing, just

10,000 short of the million sales mark), Motown Chartbusters Volume III and Stevie Wonder's Songs In The Key Of Life. In 1975, there was a brief spell when Motown set up its own

when Motown set up its own marketing/promotion departments in the UK and went through EMI just for pressing and distribution. The staff was greatly increased and much money injected from the US. This set un lasted for precisely these set up lasted for precisely three

Motown's contract with EMI is renewable every three years, and next comes up for renewal in September 1981.



DAVID HUGHES, general manager of EMI's Motown office. Following the dissolving of EMI's Licensed repertoire division, Motown UK is now distributed through Liberty United Records and based at UA's offices in Mortimer Street, London WI.

# CONGRATULATIONS TO MOTOWN ON 20 YEARS OF MUSICAL MAGIC



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The million-sellers continue, Modestly, Gordy says: "I think we have paid our dues and are ready to move onto new plateaux.

The two most commercially successful acts in the mid-sixties were the Supremes and the Four Tops. But The Temptations, with such hits as Do The Things You Do and My Girl went on to weather changes of style and personnel and to become the company's most consistent hit-makers. The Supremes seared 12 number one hits between consistent merinaters. The Supremes scored 12 number one hits between 1964 and 1969. The Tops were never far behind and during this period, other names such as Edwin Starr,

The Vancouvers, Marvin Gaye, Kim Weston, Tammi Terrell and the Isley Brothers found chart success.

And a young blind character by the name of Little Stevie Wonder (born Stephen Judkins) was wonder (born Stephen Judkins) was brought to the attention of Gordy by Ronnie White of The Miracles. Wonder was just ten years old, but Gordy sensed in him a future star. Two years later, aged 12, Wonder topped the US charts with his third single, Fingertips. Wonder's

consequent success chronicled many times and is widely known, but it is worth noting that his album Songs In The Key Of Life, is still, on a worldwide basis, one of Motown's most constant sellers.

Motown's most constant sellers.

Whenever sales have appeared to be slightly on the decline — in comparison to their pace setting averages — Motown has seemed able to bring another band to the fore. In 1970, for example, when the Four Tops and the Supremes were not making so much chart impact, a young group called the Jackson 5 were signed from the Steeltown label. The Jackson 5 produced a string of hits for Motown, including four consecutive number ones.

four consecutive number ones.

Always looking to new avenues of music, or rather to cover more musical areas, Motown has dabbled in rock music and country. In 1970, the Rare Earth label, featuring white rock bands and named after the band of the same name, was launched and provided a number of hits, one by R. Dean Taylor.

And now, in 1980, Motown is looking to fusion jazz and new wave rock, with releases from Dr Strut, Grover Washington and British band, The Planets.



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In 1971, the Motown Corporation moved, lock stock and barrel from its birthplace of Detroit to Hollywood. Coinciding with this move came the addition of the aptly ittled Mowest label and such artists as Gloria Jones and Tom Clay. The latter soon scored a big hit with What The World Needs Now Is Abraham Martin And John.
Motown's expansion over the last



THE MIRACLES, fronted by Smokey Robinson, gave Tamla an early hit with Shop Around. Other hits for the group include Tears Of A Clown and I Second That Emotion.

decade has included moves into films — Lady Sings The Blues, Mahogany, Cooley High, the grooming of Diana Ross as a solo superstar and the development of yet more successful artists.

The million-sellers continue. Modestly, Gordy says: "I think we have paid our dues and are ready to move onto new plateaus.'

# ...and other family members...

IN WRITING a history, albeit potted for reasons of space, names get left out. Mention, names get left out. Mention, therefore, should be made of the following — with sincere apologies for those left out: Shelley Berger, who started with Motown in 1966, managed many an early Motown act... promotion VP Skip Miller ... Ron Wakefield, currently director of administration in the creative division who has been orrector of administration in the creative division who has beeen with the company for more than 15 years . . . Ray Singleton — there at the beginning and still there now . . . Robert Coleman, Motown's director of hurchesin and feet the control of the control o VP of production and inventory management . . . Gary Davis . . . Guy Costa, VP in charge of studio operations . . . Fuller Gordy. They're all part of the Motown family.

By 1964, Motown had become the largest independent label in America, dominating the charts and increasing sales all the time.



SHOWING A leg or two outside EMI's London offices are the

Supremes who chalked up twelve U.S. number one hits between



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THE ISLEY Brothers, though no longer with Motown, scored big hits for the label with such numbers as Behind A Painted Smile and This Old Heart Of Mine.

# Shock revelation. Stevie Wonder's back-up band made Commodores'hit.



When it comes to selling music, Lonsdales people have made a record or two of their own.

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est hit' in its own right.

Our work on Diana Ross has earned two coveted industry awards. And by our genuine enthusiasm for artistes like Rick James, we have pushed the more esoteric end of the

Motown rosta to the attention of the record-buying public.

Our admiration for Stevie Wonder knows no bounds. We like to think that he owes a significant part of his popularity to the many campaigns we have originated to promote his music.

If we have a secret, it's this: we always take our work home with us. Most of the executives and creative people associated

with the Motown account have actually worked in the music business.

Among our ranks there lurks a singer, a guitarist, a bass player, a renegade music publisher, a record company promotion man and a rock journalist.

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AN EARLY picture of Junior Walker and The All Stars. Among their biggest hits have been Roadrunner and How Sweet It Is.



ANOTHER CHOICE item from the Motown picture library — a Braille copy of Movin' Up, Pop Gordy's book, is presented to Stevie Wonder at a publisher's party. With Wonder (far right) are (left to right) Diana Ross, Detroit Mayor Coleman Young, Mrs Esther G. Edwards, and Civil Rights leader Rosa Parks.



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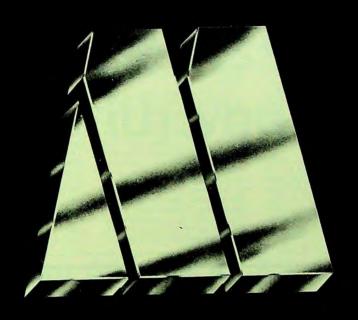
THE NEW look Martha Reeves, now launching herself on a solo career. With the Vandellas she scored such successes as Love Is Like A Heatwave, Jimmy Mack and Dancing In The Street.



THE FOUR Tops were rarely out of the charts in the mid-sixties. Their string of hits included Reach Out I'll Be There, Standing In The Shadows Of Love and Bernadette.

Motown sleeve art
—see page 21





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# The tough administrator

MOTOWN INDUSTRIES, the largest black-owned enterprise in America has always been a family affair. Berry Gordy Jr.'s parents, sisters, brothers, children and in-laws have all been on the company payroll; non-family members on his creative, technical and clerical staff have been mostly black.

Traditionally, though, high-ranking employees in Motown's sales, financial and public relations divisions have generally been white men and one of Gordy's top associates is also white — Michael Roshkind, vice-chairman and chief operating officer of Motown Industries, parent company of Motown Records, Jobete Publishing Co., Motown Productions and Motown Sound Systems.

"We're colour blind at Motown," explains Roshkind, a 55-year-old New Yorker in his typically straight, no-nonsense fashion. Although he admittedly maintains a "low profile", Roshkind is known as a tough administrator, one of the most powerful men in the record business and the individual you must go through to conduct any serious business with Motown.

Roshkind's company biography compares his rise to that of Horatio Alger (the semi-mythical US business hero who advised young men to Go West) — a fair enough assessment. At age 15 he entered

"Our ratio of hit records to product released is still the best in the industry"

Northwestern University on an athletic scholarship and later went on to major in journalism. Upon graduation he got a job as a 16 dollar-a-week page at NBC and eventually worked his way up the ranks — from copy boy to sportswriter.

In 1943 Roshkind became a news editor at ABC (which involved editing Walter Winchell's copy) and later director of special events and sports. Then, at the end of World War II, he was awarded the Navy Cross after having served with Naval Intelligence for two years.

Roshkind entered the public relations field in 1950 and for the next 15 years his accounts included CBS Inc., Newsweek, and Hunts Foods. In 1956 he acted as Adlai Stevenson's broadcast consultant during his presidential campaign and later performed similar duties for John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson. "But," he's quoted as



ON THE occasion of the Commodores re-signing to Motown, Michael Roshkind vice-chairman and chief operating officer Motown Industries, (far right) looks on approvingly.

saying, "my proudest political achievement was being on the Nixon Enemy List." The year was 1966 when a friend of Roshkind's mentioned that "a

The year was 1966 when a friend of Roshkind's mentioned that "a Detroit record company" needed his public relations expertise. He was mildly interested, although that interest quickly faded upon his discovery that this record company was no more than a two-storey wooden frame house next to a funeral parlour. But curiosity won out in the end "and after spending a year as public relations consultant and assistant to Berry Gordy, he and I became very close in a professional and personal sense." One year later, he was promoted to vice-president of Motown.

"Despite the fact that I run Motown," he confesses, "I don't have good ears. I leave the creative judgement to those who do it best. Berry Gordy is a genius so if he tells me such-and-such is terrific, I'll plough full speed ahead on the basis of his opinion. I never rely on my own ears."

During the sixties, its so-called "Golden Years", Motown had an assembly line approach to churning out hit records with similar lyrics, chords and themes. The company was purely singles-oriented and seemingly had the attitude "If it worked once, it'll work again and again." It may not have been a particularly artistic approach, but it put the Motown Sound on the map.

Today, Motown has fewer releases in comparison to other companies, but a sizeable percentage of them still sell quite well.

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"Our ratio of hit records to product released is still the best in the industry," Roshkind stresses, "In 1979 the record companies suffered their worst year in memory, It was a soft market for many reasons, not the least of which was the world economy. And yet, in the last three months of 1979, Motown was the hottest company on the street. We do our thing the way it should be done and we don't release garbage, so we don't get into serious problems like other companies."

Motown's three hot latter months can be partially attributed to the release of Stevie Wonder's The Secret Life of Plants. Says Roshkind: "We do depend on Stevie Wonder. He represents a very high percentage of our sales. We depend on him because he's such an unusual artist, but I have to operate like he's not going to release because we cannot . . . well, otherwise we'd be firing a lotta people every year!

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"I must say that he didn't release anything for three years and we did have to let certain people go because we were feeling the pinch of no Stevie Wonder album. So in that sense we do rely on him, but realistically we know there'll be lapses of two or three years before we get the product."

Roshkind has been responsible for

Roshkind has been responsible for putting the company into the motion picture and television area, as well as Broadway.

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"We've also recently gotten into manufacturing speaker systems—that's a real departure for us", Roshkind adds.

He predicts an enormous growth pattern for Motown in the Eighties: "That'll be enjoyed by all record companies, though, if they're smart. And certainly we feel we are. Technology in the whole spectrum of the entertainment industry has Technology in the whole spectrum of the entertainment industry has been incredible. We have the technology in terms of video dises and video tapes that run for six hours. We have cable TV, pay TV, and satellite systems where a normal home owner can pick upprogrammes for Iran to Pretoria.

"It'll be up to multi-faceted record companies such as Motown to furnish the soft goods for these

to furnish the soft goods for these kinds of advances. I can see a time when there won't be movie theatres as we know them today. The visual impact of musical artists will have to strong because it'll be similar to what happened when talkies replace silent pictures. There were stars with falsetto voices who couldn't cut it, well, visual impact may determine whether an artist makes it in the eighties," he says.

eighties," he says.

Berry Gordy will direct a movie
musical in Great Britain this year
called Wild Fire, according to
Roshkind. Motown also has two TV
movies in the works: "One will be a
film on the life of Gene Tierney
starring Jaclyn Smith on ABC. And we're doing a six hour mini-series for NBC called Teenage Sexuality."

He adds that Diana Ross is reading several scripts that have been submitted for her approval.

"Every company in the business would like to use Diana and she's being very selective about her next project. But she will undoubtedly make a movie in 1980."

Roshkind's workdays frequently begin at eight in the morning with business conferences at Berry

# "This is a people business"

Gordy's Bel Air estate; otherwise he still wakes up early every morning to spend two hours on the phone playing the commodity market (a special computer in his apartment is hooked directly to a brokerage office in New York).

office in New York).
Once in his own office, which is located off Sunset and Vine in Hollywood, Roshkind attends meetings for the better part of a day and ''makes more phone calls than a bookie.'' He contends that it's people who make his work interesting.
"This is a people business and I

# "We are re-signing many of the acts that left"

only deal with those who are very bright and intelligent. All day long I'm talking to people who are probably smarter than I am. I spend time in meetings with presidents of motion picture companies, the heads of other record companies and artists like Diana Ross — those people are challenges themselves."

He notes that labels such as R&B and soul music are ludicrous when

applied to certain artists.

"On award shows and artist polls Diana Ross is frequently referred to as R&B Woman of the Year because she's black. It certainly can't be for musical reasons, or reasons involving popularity because she's an across-the-board artist. Everyone loves her. So why pigeonhole her for false reasons?"

Ross belongs to a category of artists that Motown will Roshkind

asserts: "continue to nurture and aggressively develop. For example, we have an artist like Smokey Robinson who's been with us from the start. He's a legend, one of the greatest composers and singers of all time. But when he comes out with an album like Cruisin', which was cruised all the way to the top of the charts, it's tough to regard him as an 'old' artist. We're committed to supporting artists with that kind of

longevity."

Roshkind adds that much of Motown Records' energies will be focused toward acquiring new talent: "We hired Don Ellis as executive vice president of creative operations. He'll be bringing in new acts with an emphasis on rock. We recently signed The Planets, a white recently signed The Planets, a white rock group from Great Britain and we'll make similar signings in the future. Colour makes little difference to us and black groups aren't the only ones out there with talent. If there are groups from China, Iran or Afghanistan with the capacity to make it in this business. capacity to make it in this business, we'll sign them."

Motown was once criticised for its rigid policies toward artists; it dictated what they could wear and what they could say in interviews with the press. Artists were also bound to the company by long-term bound to the company by long-term contracts and allowed little creative control. As a result it suffered the kind of losses that would have broken a lesser company. "Fortunately," Roshkind says with a chuckle, "we're not a lesser company. I'm always amused by the attention paid to Gladys Kright.

attention paid to Gladys Knight leaving, to the Temptations leaving. Such a fuss was made and yet that's because Motown is regarded as a family company. When someone

leaves it is news. Diana Ross, Stevie Wonder and Marvin Gaye have all been with us for about 20 years and no other record company in the world can match that.

"We are re-signing many of the acts that left," he noted. "The Temptations were recently re-signed. They've been out in that big bad world and realise that Motown is still the best company around."

Motown has changed, according to Roshkind.

to Roshkind.
"We're still vitally interested in music publishing and we've made some split publishing deals with our artists. Previously, we wouldn't have dreamed of doing that. And we do give our artists creative control. Certainly Stevie Wonder, Marvin

# "There's no 'For Sale' sign out for Jobete . . . "

Gaye and Rick James do things their

He squelched the rumour that Motown is seriously considering selling Jobete, its music publishing

'There's no 'for sale' sign out for Jobete, but when offers of huge amounts of money come in we do listen. I'm screening all the offers we've gotten from major companies, although there are emotional ties that would make it difficult to sell Jobete. However, if the offer is big enough and interesting enough, we might well.

Is it true that Motown now follows trends rather than initiating

them?
"Absolutely not," Roshkind
"mediately says. "Who could say immediately says. "Who could say such a thing? Motown was the forerunner of the disco movement. Motown is still an inspiration for

youngsters in terms of showing them what a free enterprise system can do. Motown was started by a black man with about 800 dollars; today it's worth more than 70 million dollars.

dollars.

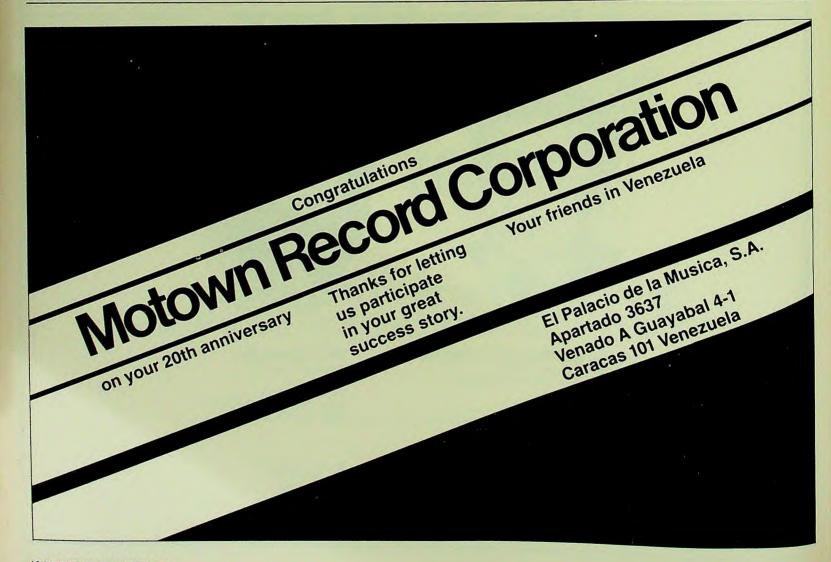
He takes pride in the fact that
Motown "isn't weighed down by the Motown "isn't weighed down by the nonsense of major conglomerates, Here's where we have an edge on our competition; if a decision has to be made, we don't have to call a board of directors meeting. There's no bureaucratic red tape that has to be waded through. Berry Gordy and I can get together and make a decision freegarding company policy in the (regarding company policy) in two

(regarding company policy) in two hours."

Michael Roshkind possesses a "powerful man behind the scenes" mystique and that's what makes him effective, he feels. "The thing that gets me angry in this business is when someone says: 'That can't be done.' Well, you've got to show me why it can't be done. At Motown, we like to do things that've never been done before. Motown's horizons have broadened tremendously and it's all happened very quickly. Think about it, our first motion picture, Lady Sings the Blues, won five academy award nominations. Pippin, our first Broadway show, was a smash success. The theme from Mahogany was nominated for an Academy was nominated for an Academy award it was Number One on the charts forever, and it's a great catalogue song. And Diana Ross did the first one-woman 90 minute TV

the first one-woman 90 minute 1v special — ever. I can go on and on with 'firsts'.

"I think the Eighties will be tremendously exciting and challenging because of the technical advances that've been made," he call relative them. said, reiterating a point made earlier. "I don't know if we, as executives and artists, can meet that challenge. But that'll be the story to be told in this decade."





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THE INTRIGUINGLY named Jobete Music is yet another American company named after American Company interest are the offspring of its founder. In this case, it's the three daughters of Berry Gordy — JOanna, BErtha and TEmerity.

Like its parent, Motown, Jobete is also 20 years old, and they have been 20 years of outstanding success in America and around the world, not least in the UK. Among its 5,000 not least in the UK. Among its 5,000 copyrights are some of the biggest moneyspinners in music publishing history, from the earliest songs right up to the present day.

"Jobete has always operated hand-in-hand with Motown from the very beginning," said Jobete UK

the very beginning," said Jobete UK professional manager Eamonn Sherlock. "Right through what I call the factory period when Smokey and the others were churning out hits non-stop from the Mid-Sixties to the early Seventies. When singles were peaking in sales, so was Jobete—and the UK has always been Jobete's largest and most successful territory outside the USA."

Sherlock emphasised that the so-

Sherlock emphasised that the so-called factory period produced songs of lasting worth and not merely ephemeral one-offs.
"Tears Of A Clown proves how relevant the songs that were written

are a lot of covers coming up on repertoire from the Mid-Sixties and the long-term success of the Jobete the long-term success of the Jobete catalogue lies in that fact. During the next three months, there will be at least eight A sides of Jobete standards done in a variety of forms, including a regione and new ways.

including reggae and new wave."

Sherlock is a round peg in a round hole as far as his job is concerned, actively engaged in promoting what was his favourite source of music

was his favourite source of music when he was growing up.
"I've been in love with the catalogue for 15 years, and now I'm working it," he smiled. "We have very good liaison with Jay Lowy of Jobete in the States and with Motown label manager Gordon Frewin and promotion manager Less Prayme here. Our convribt manager. Spayne here. Our copyright manager Les Spayne here. Our copyright manager for the last four years, Fran Edmonds, is a mine of information, and Patrick Muncaster, the business

and Patrick Muncaster, the business manager, takes excellent care of the contract side."

Sherlock is pleased about the success enjoyed by Billy Preston and Syreeta with With You I'm Born Again, which was originally written for a movie about a basketball champion entitled Fast Break. He reckons the song has "kicked off the Eighties for Jobete with another standard".

passenger riding profitably on the back of the Motown record hit wagon. Much of his time and effort

wagon. Much of his time and effort are directed to obtaining covers and also airplay on Jobete copyrights.

"I place a lot of emphasis on getting Jobete songs to as many people as possible. I go after broadcasts by BBC house orchestras, and maintain an extensive mailing list. Now Radio Two is open all night, there's additional opportunity for softer things like the Ashford-Simpson songsthat Diana Rosshas recorded."

Jobete has been independently run

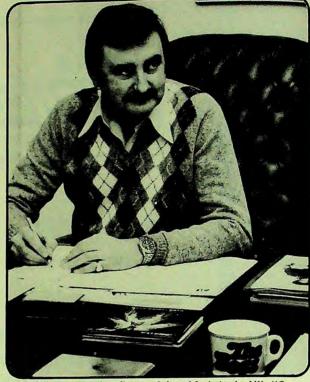
Jobete has been independently run in the UK since 1973, when it left the administrative care of Carlin where had been worked on by Dave

Most.

"The important thing is to give Jobete an identity aside from Motown," declared Sherlock. "It's a major publisher in terms of volume of catalogue and financial turnover, but it still operates at street level.

"Use done a course of services."

"I've done a couple of sessions with UK writers which have turned out really well. We're actively seeking new local talent as well as working the catalogue and our goal for the Eighties is to become No. 1 publisher again like we did in 1974."



Peter Prince, managing director Jobete Music in the UK: policy is to work the catalogue actively and also pick up local writers and material. To implement this aggressive policy, I brought in Eamonn Sherlock as professional manager.



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# Motown's glittering roster

THERE CAN be no denying the fact that Motown, or Tamla Motown as it then was called, has produced some of the brightest and most enduring stars during the last two decades.

It is true that some of the early names have faded into obscurity — probably the most well-known case being that of Mary Wells — but a look at the world of entertainment generally reveals that many artists who that the company have gone on to great successes.

The names are obvious . . . Diana Ross, star of three films and now an international cabaret and recording star, Stevie Wonder, the Temptations, Gladys Knight And The Pips, still going strong after a quarter of a century in the music business, the Four Tops, Marvin Gaye, Martha Reeves, Mary Wilson (previously with The Supremes), Smokey Robinson, the Jacksons and Michael Jackson.

Michael Jackson.

All have one basic common link

— talent and the ability to
communicate with their audiences.

That, plus the exceptional training
ground they all went through, in the
shape of Motown Records, which
saw them develop from being just
kids with a liking for making music
to becoming stars with truly
international appeal.

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Diana Ross and The Supremes were arguably the most successful girl group of all time. In 15 years of hit-making, mainly working under the production auspices of Brian Holland and Lamont Dozier, the three girls scored a succession of hits around the world including a staggering total of 10 Number One records in the US alone. Titles such as Baby Love, You Can't Hurry Love, I Hear A Symphony. Reflections, Love Is Here And Now You've Gone and The Happening became milestones in one of the true pop music success stories of the Sixties.

Following the split between Ross and her former stage and



JIMMY RUFFIN'S bestknown hit was probably What Becomes Of The Broken Hearted.

Hearted.
recording colleagues, The Supremes continued to have success in their own right with Nathan Joines, Floy Joy, Automatically Sunshine and Stoned Love. More recently, Mary Wilson has developed her own career as a solo artist and recently toured the UK playing various top nightclubs. Contractual difficulties had meant that she was unable to record for some two years, but happily last autumn also saw the release of her solo album by Motown.

Diana Ross' career hardly needs any reiterating. Her split from The Supremes some ten years ago gave



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the sceptics and 'doubting Thomas' a field day. Since then she has become one of the top female stars to have emerged out of the US in the last 30 years and her only real rivals are Barbra Streisand and Liza Minnelli.

Minnelli.

Three films, Lady Sings The Blues, based on the life of her own singing idol Billie Holliday, Mahogany and The Wiz (an all-black version of the Thirties film, The Wizard Of Oz), an Oscar nomination for her role in the former (when she was pipped at the post by Liza Minnelli in Cabaret), top theatre and cabaret appearances around the world, including, in London, the Palladium, The Royal Albert Hall and Talk Of The Town, and TV spectaculars built around the lady, have all helped to build the Diana Ross legend.

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As well as the many solo hit records like Reach Out And Touch Somebody's Hand, Ain't No Mountain High Enough, Remember Me, (Theme From) Mahogany, Love Hangover, Touch Me In The Morning, All Of My Life, Last Time I Saw Him and I'm Still Waiting.

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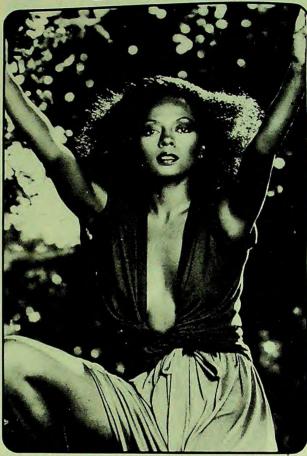
The other ladies of Motown have also fared well. Probably the next in line to Diana Ross as a world-class performer is Gladys Knight, now no longer with the company of course, but who can thank Tamla Motown for putting herself and The Pips on the map as recording artists.

Their early hits for the company, Take Me In Your Arms And Love Me, I Heard It Through The Grapevine, Help Me Make It Through The Night, The Look Of Love and Neither Of Us (Wants To Say Goodbye) have become classics — and in some cases are remembered better than their most recent material.

The disappearance of Mary Wells has been one of the mysteries of pop music. She scored heavily in 1964 with the multi-million selling My Guy, only to fade into obscurity shortly afterwards. Several years later, the record was re-issued in the UK and was a Top Ten hit all over again and an urgent search was immediately launched in order that Mary could appear on Top Of The Pops! Subsequently she has disappeared from the public eye again, and is probably waiting for re-issue number two to happen.



TAMMI TERRELL—
together with Marvin Gaye, she
scored such hits as the Onion
Song and You're All I Need To



DIANA ROSS — the boss. Nearly two decades after her recording debut for Motown, she remains one of the top international female singing talents.

Tammi Terrell was one of the most promising talents at Motown during the mid-Sixties. In partnership with Marvin Gaye she had hits both sides of the Atlantic with Ain't No Mountain High Enough, If I Could Build My Whole World Around You, Ain't Nothing Like The Real Thing, You're All I Need To Get By and The Onion

Song. It seemed that she was destined for stardom in her own right when tragedy struck and Tammi died of a brain tumour. Another sad casualty was Florence Ballard, an original member of The Supremes, who died in relative poverty at her home in Harlem.

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The changing faces of Stevie Wonder and The **Temptations** 

On the group front, Tamla Motown has also had boundless successes and even if the hits aren't successes and even if the hits aren't quite as frequent now for The Temptations and The Four Tops, those two groups alone scored enough hits to make an indelible mark in the history of popular music. And it is worth recording that whenever the two groups come over to the UK for concert and cabaret tours, as they do virtually every year, they are always guaranteed a sell-out house, and their back-catalogue albums continue to sell in vast quantities. vast quantities.

The Jackson 5 were of course at one time Motown's answer to The Osmonds. The five youngsters, Marlon, Jermaine, Michael, Jackie and Tito were first seen in 1969, after Diana Ross had spotted them in a talent show. Motown boss Berry Gordy immediately signed them to the company and the hits soon followed, including I Want You Back, ABC, The Love You Save and Never Can Say Goodbye.

Since then of course the brothers have moved on to pastures new and The Jackson 5 were of course at

they're now The Jacksons — but perhaps the real success story of the



group has been that of the youngest member Michael, now topping the charts in the US with hits like Back Off The Wall and Don't Stop Till

You Get Enough.

He started his solo career at the age of ten with hits like Got To Be There, Rockin' Robin and the charttopping Ben. A similar parallel to the career of 'Little' Stevie Wonder which started in the early Sixties with Fingertips (Part Two) and has



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of course evolved into the present-day Secret Life Of Plants musical style.

Wonder is generally acknowledged as one of the geniuses of popular music and has had his compositions recorded by every



He was the first person to score with For Once In My Life, although ironically he didn't write that song, and numbers he has composed like You Are The Sunshine Of My Live and (I Believe That) When I Fall In Love have become standards.

It is easy when writing about the established names of Motown to overlook the newer talent — which is overlook the newer talent — which is a dangerous occupation when one considers Motown's tremendous credibility in breaking new acts, even if it is in the long-term rather than the short-term.

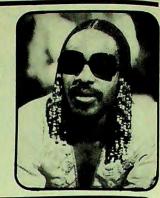
the short-term.

Various names are well-worth recording however, not least being that of young Tata Vega whose third album, Try My Love, was released by Motown last year. The lady's voice has been compared to both Chaka Khan's and Aretha Franklin, but there is no doubt that she has enough individuality to become an enormous star in her own become an enormous star in her own

So far she hasn't had great chart success but she has created more than a few ripples and one of her singles last year did chart in the UK,

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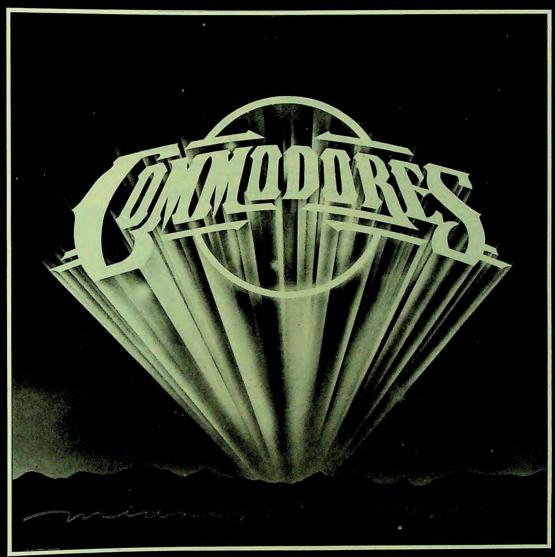
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albeit in the lower echelons of the Top 50.

Top 50.

Syreeta was for a long-time best known as Mrs. Stevie Wonder but her current success with Billy Preston and With You I'm Born Again has put paid to all that. In actual fact, Syreeta Wright has been attracting favourable plaudits for a long time, both for her multi-octave vocal range and her own considerable song-writing abilities.

Bonnie Pointer, originally of The Pointer Sisters, is another artist to have embarked on the challenge of a have embarked on the challenge of a solo recording career after being the original driving force of the Pointer Sisters. Her debut LP for the company, simply called Bonnie Pointer, was co-produced by no less a personage than Berry Gordy and included material written by Jeff Bowen and the Holland-Dozier-Halland electric Haven Must Have Holland classic, Heaven Must Have Sent You

Rick James first came to the public's notice three years ago with the Top Ten disco hit, You And I, and his first Motown album, Come Get It. Also among the company's



MARVIN GAYE, one of Motown's most consistent sellers over the years.

white hopes for the future are High Inergy who have already had three albums released, Turning On, Steppin' Out and Shoulda Gone

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The label's name is just as much

likely to be in the Top Ten with a single by Syreeta and Billy Preston as it is with the latest Commodores

The latter group are an example of

The latter group are an example of the faith that Motown shows in its various acts — their first Motown single was released some six years ago and yet it was only with Three Times A Lady that The Commodores finally broke through on an international basis.

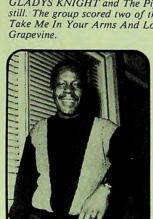
During 1979 they consolidated this success on record with a worldwide sell-out tour which in a three-month period included Sweden, the UK, Holland, Germany, France, Brazil, Mexico, Hawaii, Singapore, Japan, New Zealand and Australia! In addition there were some 200 live dates in the US.



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The last 20 years have seen pop artists come and go, but few record companies can lay claim to creating genuine, world-wide superstars as genuine, world-wide superstars as Motown can. And there's no doubt that the next two decades will continue to see talent blossoming from the company which had its humble origins in Detroit. If ever there was a genuine pop talent factory, Motown takes the honours.

> "Commodores an example of the faith that Motown shows"



MARV JOHNSON'S biggest hit for Tamla Motown was I'll Pick A Rose For My Rose in



1969, although nine years earlier he had had top ten hits



THEY WERE always considered second to The Supremes but Martha and the Vandellas still achieved several million sellers including the classic Dancing In The Street.



TWO OF Motown's top artists meet two of the company's top UK executives — from left to right, Marvin Gaye, Peter Prince (international vice president), James Fisher (general manager) and Smokey Robinson.

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GLADYS KNIGHT and The Pips - an early Motown publicity still. The group scored two of their earliest hits with the company, Take Me In Your Arms And Love Me and I Heard It Through The

The Sixties

a magical

IT WAS exactly 16 years ago that the sound of Motown burst onto an unsuspecting record-

buying public. Led by Mary Wells' My Guy in May 1964 (although that record was

tatinough that record was actually released on the Stateside label), the year ended with The Supremes and Baby Love high in the Top Ten.

The following year saw more hits from the Tamla Motown

stable but it wasn't until 1966 that there was a musical

other was a musical explosion and just about every other single in the chart seemed to be by a Motown artist... they included such classics as the Four Tops' Reach Out—I'll Be There, The Supremes' You Can't Hurry Love, Stevie Wonder and Unities and

You Can't Hurry Love, Stevie Wonder and Uptight, and another Supremes hit, You Keep Me Hangin' On. Since then the hits have not stopped coming and many have become an important part of pop history. In a ten year period the Supremes (both with and without Diana Ross) chalked up 19 British Top 20

chalked up 19 British Top 20 hits, Ms Ross in her own right has had somewhere in the

has had somewhere in the region of 15, The Four Tops have had more than a dozen Top 20 records while The Temptations are not lagging

And of course Stevie Wonder's

And of course Stevie Wonder's successes have included such classics as Uptight (Everything's Alright), For Once In My Life, A Place In The Sun, My Cherie Amour, Yester-Me Yester-You, Superstition, You Are The Sunshine Of My Life, Sir Duke and Isn't She Lovely.

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THE "BIGGEST independent is how Motown's International vice-president Peter Prince vice-president describes his label. And you can see his point when you realise that England is the only country where the label that hits charts world-wide has an office outside America.

Its product is shifted, pressed and distributed throughout the world entirely by licensees and the system works so efficiently the company has no plans to change it.

Prince took over from Ken East a

year ago, having been A&R director at Pye. But he knew Barney Ales way back in 1963 when he was working at EMI — the company's longest licensee. Under an unusual set up, Motown feels it is advantageous to have its international vice-president working outside America, being able to keep relatively close liaison with both the States and Europe.

With the label's growth there are different problems now in getting product out than there were 18 years

ago.
"In those days, although things were released very quickly in this country and other territories outside the United States, it took a little longer to get people to accept the product," he recalls. "Therefore, it was a selling job in getting people to promote the thing, whereas today Motown is accepted as an accepted as an established label.

"Now, we've built up to meet demand throughout the world. But one of the problems that goes along with that is the co-ordination of release dates as closely as possible despite all the import and export problems in Europe.

"An example is the time people had to wait for the Stevie Wonder album. The delay of the album was not with Motown, but with his artistic control, he is a perfectionist.

#### The Biggest independent"



PETER PRINCE (seated) with (1 to r) Jacki Chapman, Christine Lynch, Eamonn Sherlock, Julie Paddon, Patrick Moncaster, Fran Edmonds and James Fisher.

Once the album was delivered to Motown if it wasn't out fast, reputable licensees around the world

would have suffered. That is an example of Motown strategy."

Prince is assisted by general manager James Fisher for all European licensees on a day to day hards with Loo. basis, with Lee Armstrong in Los Angeles doing the same for the Far East. Between them they work out when release dates are going to be, and in the case of singles, decide which teachers.

which tracks will come out.

It is an awsome task. Motown is licensed in 34 countries using 18 different companies with EMI dominating, licensing Motown product in 17 countries. Each licensee is reviewed every three years, when the contracts give Motown the freedom to change if they see fit. The company is very keen to use the right licensee according to Prince.

"We assess them and find out

"We assess them and find out their attitude to the industry," says

Prince. "It is like leasing a record to a certain company — that company must have belief in Motown and its artists. At the same time, they must believe in new acts which we have released.

"At the moment we have Billy Preston, who is new to Motown. From his album, for example, Benelux released It Will Come In Time because they feel that is good local marketing. It has gone Top Ten in Holland and is the single we feel should follow up here.

"My department's job, first of all, is to have a working relationship with all our licensees, so that when we get releases in the States another territory like Holland could go with another track, as long as it doesn't conflict with our plans. The only problem could arise as if it all gets out of hand with a major artist. If everybody put out whatever track they liked, then it would become a problem.

But Prince can give plenty of examples of Motown "flexibility". He cites Diana Ross' Twenty Golden and The Last compilation of Motown ballads that have been released in this country of the initiative of his staff. The same, of course, goes for the Twenty Mod Classics compilation, obviously for our current musical climate

Peter Prince himself has been in the music business for 22 years and is obviously proud of Motown and its artists. Way back in his early days the artists. Way back in his early days
he did a lot of promotion work for
Motown with EMI and even now
sees it as important for artists to
come and perform in foreign territories.

"Motown has always selected the best licensees in every territory and provided artists to visit and perform. When they do come to this country, the artists are great ambassadors for company. They are

professionals, and there are no

professionals, and there are no problems.

"The thing that helped break Three Times A Lady with the Commodores was the world tour they did when they visited most countries in Europe. Internationally, they have only been a supergraph they have only been a supergroup for two years — the last three albums have all been in the Top Ten while Still was No 2 and Sail On was No 5 here.

"They are professionals and when they toured the extra interest was created. One of the jobs for international is to get the artists moving around. We don't break

moving around. We don't break every act — we are still working very hard on Rick James, for example — but the percentage is very healthy."

Working as international vice-president, Prince also has an A&R/promotional function in choosing which acts would benefit from tours, which tracks should be released as singles, what marketing would be useful and which Motown acts might do well in Europe.

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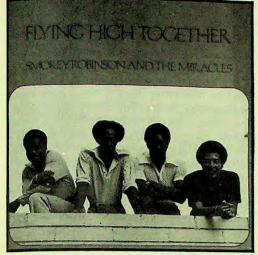
It is a job he is well qualified to do, having been an A&R director as well as a promotions man working with Motown artist with EMI. On top of that, Prince has always expressed a love for Motown's artists and the company since he has been in the business.

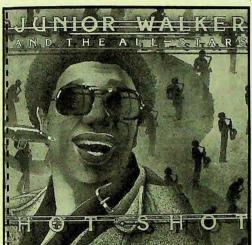
That function has developed so far that it now looks as if Prince will act as an A&R man in this country, with Berry Gordy giving the goahead if he sees an act that is suitable for the label here. It will mark a Motown first.

Prince says he is obviously reluctant to sign anyone too hastily, with the onus on any act that is signed here to do well across the world — obviously putting a lot of pressure on him and his reputation. But if the right band comes up, he says assuredly, he will be in a position to sign them.

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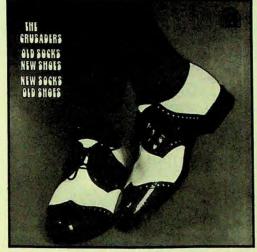
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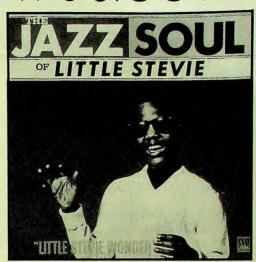






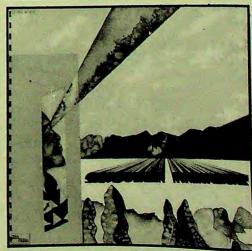












THE NAME Motown is synonymous with record collecting. It is can lay their hands on. probably safe to assume that every label has at some time found someone who collects every piece of vinyl on which it is stuck, but Motown has armies of acquisitive fanatics whose aim is to own date the label has had 245 entries in the BMRB chart. every title the label has ever put out. Many small independent retailers have combined their own enthusiasm with specialising in month, is printed here. selling current catalogue and such deleted collectors' items as they

The current Motown catalogue contains 173 LPs, 179 singles, 19 12-inch singles, 144 cassettes and three eight-tracks, and to

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#### BROADCASTING

#### **Capital hits** provinces

FOLLOWING CAPITAL Radio's decision to take over its own national as well as local airtime sales business last October, the station aims to reach out into the provinces with its latest sales drive.

An audio visual presentation

An audio visual presentation backed up with senior staff from sales and programming departments will visit Birmingham, Edinburgh, Manchester and Bristol and calls to other centres including Leeds, Newcastle and Glasgow are being considered.

Aimed at potential advertisers and agencies who cannot receive the station, the presentation will enable them to hear the Capital

the station, the presentation will sound, appreciate the potential of Capital's market and audience and to learn about the possible benefits of ILR advertising.

The presentation team will liaise with ILR stations in each city they visit and Capital's marketing manager Keith Reynolds says: "We will be talking not just Capital specifically but will also expand to cover ILR generally."

Among those hoping to attend each presentation are Capital's managing director John Whitney, programme controller Aidan Day, head of programme administration and special features Peter Black, plus sales director Tony Vickers, sales manager Philip Pinnegar, Keith Reynolds and Tim Hunter-Henderson, the marketing executive who will coordinate Henderson, the marketing executive who will co-ordinate marketing the presentations.

#### **Two Counties** prepares for autumn launch

successful ILR franchise applicant for the Bournemouth area, goes ahead with studio installation in May for a planned on air launch in the autumn.

Neve Electronics has been

Neve Electronics has been awarded the contract to equip the station and its turnkey package covers 2CR's two self-drive broadcast studios, a 750 sq ft recording studio, plus news booth and ancillary equipment. The broadcast studios will be equipped with Neve 5402B consoles with six stereo and three microphone channels. The recording studio will

have an 8066 console wired for 20 input channels into 16 tracks.

Stanley Horobin, 2CR's chief engineer, says: "The Neve package represents excellent value and offers an impressive technical specification which will give 2CR first class recording and broadcast facilities."

Commenting on the deal, Neve sales manager John Hughes says: "The job is based on our standard local radio package modified to meet the specific requirements of Stanley Horobin. We are looking forward to working with 2CR to make the complex the best in the South of England."



AN INDICATION of the change in Pennine Radio's fortunes is that the Bradford-based ILR that the Bradford-based ILR station plans to pay a dividend to shareholders for the first time. Subject to AGM agreement they will receive 7½p for every £1 share held. Turnover for the fiscal year ending in September was up 29 per cent, providing profit after tax of £78,775. The station's main concern of the moment is that its transmission area should not be swamped by broadcasts from the proposed broadcasts from the proposed station for Leeds.



LORD STOKES, 2CR's chairman, LORD STOKES, 2CR's chairman, is pictured above signing a contract for Neve Electronics to equip the new station's studios with (left to right) 2CR's chief engineer Stanley Horobin, Neve sales director Les Lewis, 2CR's programme controller John Piper and John Hughes, Neve's UK regional sales manager.

#### **Grand Ole Opry first** for Lux

A COUNTRY music concert at Nashville's Grand Ole Opry will be broadcast live in Europe for the first time via Radio Luxembourg.

Luxembourg's Bob Stewart will present the show from Nashville on

April 26 and it will be relayed by satellite to the Grand Duchy for immediate transmission. The time difference means that the Saturday afternoon performance in Nashville will be heard during Stewart's weekly country slot between 9pm and 11pm. The billing has yet to be finalised.

The broadcast has been arranged

through London Radio Productions by Nashville Radio Workshop which by Nashville Radio Workshop which has leased the broadcasting rights for the programme from Nashville's WSM radio station. Luxembourg does not see this as a one off venture either and managing director Alan Keen says: "It is our intention to present future programmes of this nature and we shall be working closely with London Radio Productions."

Wes Green, president of Nashville

Radio Workshop, adds: "This will be enormous exposure for the Opry artists and for the American country music industry in general."

#### Seventies series

A NEW series on Capital Radio will look at music in the Seventies. Interviews with 30 big name artists have already been recorded for the series which is set to start in April. Looking back at just the last year of the Seventies, the votes are now being counted for the station's Music Awards poll.

#### Music is the message

THE MESSAGE contained in one section of the 1980 edition of the IBA's Television and Radio handbook published last Friday (price £2.50) is that "music is very much alive on ILR".

In an article entitled Alive And Well the IBA highlights the commercial radio network's increasing output of live music, acting as "a balancing element to the commercially recorded music".

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The ILR companies are required to spend a minimum of three per cent of their net advertising receipts on live music and this takes in material recorded by the stations in their own studios, in local venues, or performances broadcast

by the stations in their own studies.

The article emphasises that "touring artists and local musicians can share the ILR limelight" in concerts arranged by the stations covering pop, rock, jazz, folk, country and classical music. It claims that ILR has taken the lead in the purpose of the encouraging young local talent through competitions as arranged by BRMB, Radio Trent and Downtown, plus the Anna Instone Memorial Award Radio Trent and I instituted by Capital.

#### PUBLISHING

Edited NIGEL HUNTER

#### **Music Sales** distribution for Hohner

HOHNER LONDON Ltd. has reached an agreement with Music Sales for the latter company to distribute exclusively Hohner's exclusively Honner's publications. These include tutors for harmonicas, accordions and melodicas and a complete range of instruments taught in schools

Hohner's Dirk Kommer said: "Hohner is having an unparallelled year, and this move will leave us free to concentrate on manufacturing and distributing musical



POP-ROCK group Cliche has been signed to a worldwide publishing agreement covering its songwriting activities by Chappell Music. The pact was negotiated by Chappell creative director Steve Stevenson with Alan Wilson and John Welch of Hollybush Management, which represents the band.

Cliche has been in action since 1976. A recording contract was recently signed with Carrere, and the band's first single was I Know Your Game released on January 18.

#### **Printed music** sales up again

THE REVIVAL in the fortunes of printed music sales is continuing, according to a summary of results for the six months ended June 30,

The invoiced trade value of total sales in the UK including Northern Ireland was £3,874,000 compared with £3,678,000 for the same with £3,678,000 for the same period in 1978, although the actual percentage of total turnover dropped from 69.63 per cent to 63.67 per cent. Gross invoice value was £6,089,000 as opposed to £5,864,000 in 1978, although again this was a drop from 67.58 per cent to 60.70 per cent of total turnover. Total overseas sales were up, and

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£6,084,000 (invoiced trade value) compared with £5,282,000 in 1978 and £10,032,000 (gross invoice value) compared with £8,677,000.

The June 1979 figures represent the sales of 27 members of the Music Publishers Association who

are known to distribute printed music. Out of these, 22 submitted returns for the six-month period, but four were unable to make returns, and the MPA used their previously submitted figures as a basis. One member so far has not completed any returns, and an estimate for this company's turnover has been included, based on statistical information made available to the MPA



ANDREW HEATH (seated) makes the new business link with his brother Geoffrey and Eddie Levy official with a contract. Standing behind him (from left) are his lawyer David Landesman, Geoffrey Heath, Eddie Levy and Heath Levy lawyer Geoffrey Isaacs.



CANNES: During the Midem Stig Anderson received on behalf of Potar Music International and Abba a gold award marking 50,000 sales of Abba's Voulez-Vous LP in Greece. Anderson is seen with Polar's Greek licensees Martin

#### Zomba pulls off publishing hat-trick

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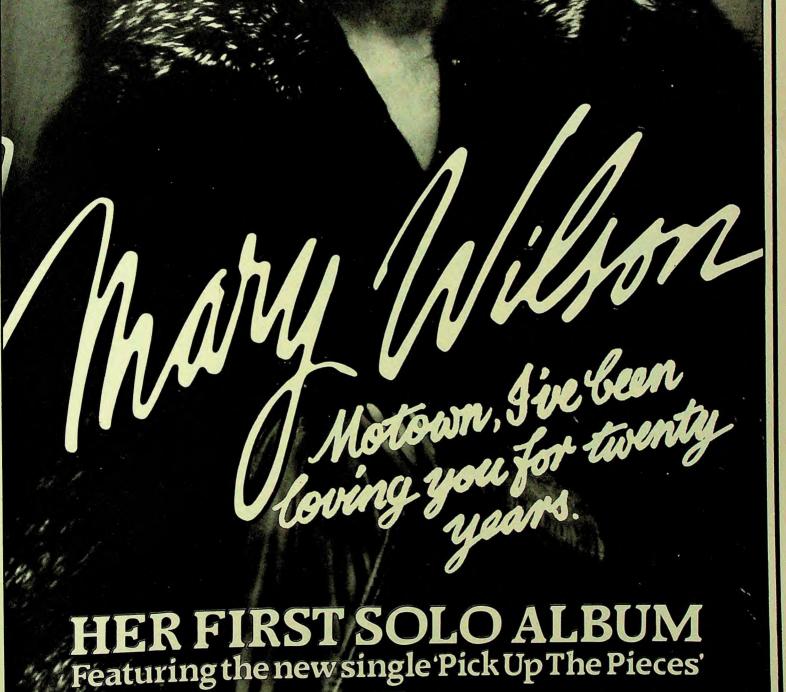
ZOMBA MANAGEMENT and Publishers has recently set a hattrick of agreements concerning the Photos, Young Ones and record producer Tony Clarke.

The Photos, signed to CBS and featuring lead singer Wendy Wu, have reached a worldwide publishing deal with Zomba negotiated by Clive Calder and Mark Cellier of that company and Oliver Mills and James Todd of Magic, the Photos' management company. The band's first single is I'm So Attractive, and the debut album is currently being recorded produced by Roger Bechirian.

A similar pact has been set for The Atlantic band, Young Ones, with their manager, Steve Lewis, who also handles Steve Hillage. Lewis was recently in the States to arrange the release of the group's

debut album produced by Canadian Bruce Fairbairn. Tony Clarke, noted for his production work with The Moody Blues and others, has concluded an exclusive management and exclusive management and representation agreement with Calder and Ralph Simon of Zomba. The latter company has negotiated a solo deal for him with EMI for a series of concept

albums.
Clarke is currently completing Clarke is currently completing the first at the Compass Point Studios near Nassau in the Bahamas, with material written by himself in collaboration with classical guitarist Chaz Hart. The duo have signed an exclusive worldwide songwriting pact with Zomba Corporation, the Swissbased holding company of Zomba Management and Publishers.



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ELLEN FOLEY

Stupid Girl (Epic EPC 83718, CBS). Lady with good voice and looks has another go at the charts. Recent OGWT appearance, massive press coverage, ads, PAs, expected here for tour. This track is taken from LP Night Out (EPC 83718) and is an up-Night Out (EPC 83/18) and is an up-tempo rocker that sounds good but lacks commercial appeal of Quatro-Chapman partnership. It is for the Hunter-Ronson inclined — those into production for its own sake.

THE TOURISTS
So Good To Be Back Home Again
(Logo Tour 1 RCA). From the LP
Reality Effect LOG 1019), follows
recent Top Three single, has much
used pop lyric theme, possesses fiery
guitar, an organ jumping around
with vocal sometimes together with sound rather than out on its own. Can hardly fail to reach the Top 20.

The End (Warners K 12400, WEA) Long-time Doors favourite given fresh lease of life thanks to the film Apocalypse Now. Group seems to be Apocarypse Now. Group seems to be no longer together although two members did visit the UK for promotion during 1979. Doesn't sound dated and its message is still relevant. Should sell but surprising if it charts other than possibly bottom end of 75.

Phoenix City (Kerova KOW 002. WEA). Chugging beat number with positive hint of reggae in general mix. Mainly an instrumental with a few yelps for vocals. Black, white picture sleeve.

MORRIS AND THE MINORS
State The Obvious (Round MOR 1. State The Obvious (Round MOR 1. Indie) Humorous sleeve, notes for press in same vein. Debut disc from SE London company. Somewhat tinny sound but doubtless this is intended, as slightly out of tune feel which with flat vocal delivery a la Numan, Ultravox, Kraftwerk, sounds perfectly suitable.

No Turning Back (Axis, Indie) Black and white cover bag with pic of group. With better mix, production might sound better hit potential than in present form. I very much like the girl vocalist and also the finale which thould have been sended. should have been extended.

WILSON BROTHERS
Feeling Like We're Strangers Again
(Atlantic K 11431, WEA) Good soul
disc with pleasing marriage of lead
male vocals and group harmonies.
Issued US, October, 1979 on
Speciality.

QUARTZ
Nantucket Sleighride (Reddingtons
Rare DAN 1, Indie) Theme from
Thames TV's Weekend World, so
familiar although the arrangement
with extra instrumentation might
not be so appealing for general
market. Comes in catchy sleeve and
has some pleasing moments,
particularly the organ break.

BEARZ
She's My Girl (Axis 2, Indie).
Employs vocal harmonies, emphasis on drums with some nice instrumental line filling between lyric gaps. Very late 1960s feel to it, though new wave in off-beat, discordant instrumental break.

MIKE BATT/ COLIN BLUNSTONE

Losing Your Way In The Rain (EPC 8155, CBS) Re-mixed track from Batt's Tarot card concept LP which at the time of its 1979 release was given much publicity. Sounds good but will have hard fight to reach the Top 75. Batt's production excellent.

MARTHA AND THE MUFFINS Exo Beach (DIN 9, Virgin) Available from February 15, also on LP, Metro Music, lively, good line under main musical score, late sax aids driving beat. Drums plus organ give positive music colouring.

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Captain & Tennille
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# Warner Bros Music tops without a No.1

WARNER BROTHERS Music achieves a notable double this year in the music publishing section of the *Music Week* Awards by coming top in both the individual and corporate categories, an impressive sequel to its individual triumph in the 1978 results.

1978 results.

Remarkably enough, WB Music has won these accolades without actually scoring a Number One rating in the UK chart during the 10 years of its independent UK existence, although in the words of managing director Rob Dickins: "We've been near it often enough".

Much of the credit for WB

"We've been near it often enough". Much of the credit for WB Music's double success belongs to Dickins, son of veteran New Musical Express advertisement director, Percy Dickins, and at 29 the youngest man to be appointed to the board of Warner Brothers Music Corporation as vice-president last vear

"It's the first time we've won both categories," Rob Dickins told Music Week, "and we've done it with about 30,000 copyrights altogether in the catalogue and a staff of 14."

He attributes the dual success to a combination of English acts breaking here and further hits of American origin. In its early years, WB Music's chart activity was almost all American copyrights, but now UK signings are in the ascendancy.

ascendancy.

Among the latter, Dickins mentioned Madness, the Jags, the Undertones, the Sex Pistols, the Corgis, and the Planets. He rejects any definition of new wave in terms of classification.

"I wouldn't say they're new wave. I say it's contemporary pop. Madness are particularly pleasing in their progress because I paid for their first record, The Prince, which was released on 2 Tone and became an immediate hit."

Dickins pointed out that the



Reichardt (left), professional manager of Warner Brothers Music, and managing director Rob Dickins.



AND



awards triumph came about through the WB Music relationship with Martin and Tim Heath of Rialto Records

Contributing notably to the WB Music individual success from across the Atlantic were Chic writer-Atlantic were Chic writer-lucers Bernard Edwards and producers Bernard Edwards and Nile Rodgers (see winning songwriter-producer feature) for their work with Chic, Sister Sledge and Sheila B. Devotion, Valerie Simpson and Nick Ashford for their work with Diana Ross and Chaka Khan, and Rose Royce. Dickins attributes the WB corporate win largely to the company's administrative association with Arnakata and acts such as Dollar, the Tourists and Judas Priest.

"We don't specialise in one thing another," he explained. "We go we don't specialise in one tining or another," he explained. "We go from Leif Garrett and Rose Royce to Madness or the Sex Pistols. This wide spectrum brings in singles of every kind and we had 66 A-sides in the chart during 1979.

"We do what we think is right and we're working much more with new talent than publishers have done in the past. We bankroll acts sometimes for demos and we get involved at a much more creative level than just picking up things."

Dickins paid tribute to WB Music professional manager Peter Reichardt, who is signing acts much more now that Dickins has to fulfil his WB main board international obligations. Reichardt brought the Barron Knights into the WB Music fold and last year also signed Marianne Faithfull, whose Island LP has sold over 100,000 worldwide.

"Our contracts, royalties and copyright matters are in the very capable and efficient hands of our administrative team of Frank Shaw, Dave Beattie and Ron Fry." Dave Beattie and Ron Fry," continued Dickins. "They run such a tight operation that it makes my life a lot easier in matters like sub-publishing deals.

"My WB Music Corporation responsibilities mean that I'll be responsibilities literal that I have spending more and more time in the international field, and will be visiting practically every WB company around the world. My first love remains the British company,



FLANKING THE rest of Chic are Bernard Edwards (left) and Nile Rodgers (right), winners of the top producers and writers categories.

#### Chic duo enjoying a double triumph

SCORING A double triumph in the top writers and top producers categories are the Chic duo, Bernard Edwards and Nile Rodgers, whose songs are published by Warner Bros Music.

Bernard Edwards was born in Greenville, North Carolina, moving to New York when he was 10. He

to New York when he was 10. He was a proficient reeds and bass musician by the time he left high school and met Nile Rodgers through the mother of Rodgers' girlfriend of the time, who worked with Edwards in the Post Office.

Nile Rodgers was born in New York and grew up in Greenwich Village and Hollywood. Back in New York, he met Edwards as described and although their approach to rock music differed initially, the two started gigging around the New York club scene before joining the Big Apple Band which backed a group called New York City. York City.

Edwards left the Post Office with

great relief and Rodgers relinquished his job with the Apollo Theatre house band to become part of Big

The band toured the US and Europe with New York City between 1972 and 1975 and remained intact

when NYC disbanded.

BA worked on demo sessions and BA worked on demo sessions and backed singer Carol Douglas for six months. Edwards and Rodgers, encouraged by Rob Drake, a disco DJ, began writing and recording some dance numbers, which Drake featured at the Night Owl disco and which started generating a buzz of favourable reaction, so much so that by June 1977 Edwards and Rodgers were leading Big Apple, which they renamed Chic and signed to Atlantic



Records.

Records.
Chic's debut single, Dance Dance
Dance (Yowsah Yowsah),
was released in September 1977 and
shot up both the pop and R&B
charts, obtaining RIAA gold
certification in February 1978.
Chic's debut album also went gold

and contained another hit single, Everybody Dance. Chic began touring in 1978, opening for major acts such as the Isleys, Trammps and Rufus and that autumn undertook their own headline tour, which ended in Brazil. Their next single, Le Freak, sold over four million units and set a new record in the WEA organisation, and its parent LP, C'Est Chic, exceeded two million sales in the States alone

Rodgers and Edwards, who write, arrange, conduct and produce Chic's music, believe the band's mass appeal is due to its long experience in playing simple, straightforward rock and soul on the road, and the band certainly refutes the theory that dancing music will not appeal to sit-down concert audiences.

Rodgers and Edwards are now closely and successfully involved with other leading artists as well as Chic. They produced Sister Sledge's We Are Family album, which topped the million sales mark in America, the Sledge single hit I've Got To Love Somebody, and Sheila B. Devotion's Spacer.

#### Chrysalis wraps up marketing award

THE MARKETING Award for 1979 goes to Chrysalis Records for their campaign to promote The Very Best Of Leo Sayer.

Centrepiece of the campaign was a series of TV advertisements devised by Chrysalis. Involved in the creative aspect of the campaign was Peter Wagg who says: "We chose Easter for the release because there is a little less competition than at Christmas for TV promoted compilations and we thought that if we could achieve a Number One at that time, we would be able to maintain it through the summer.

"As it turned out that's just what happened."

The ad was screened in three TV regions before rolling nationally over a four week period. The initial sales target was set at 500,000 and latest sales figures exceed 620,000.

"Our objectives on the creative side," says Wagg, "were to emphasise that Leo Sayer is very much a current artist and to project his personality which is warm and energetic.

"We had Fred Astaire in mind for the theme because in one of his songs Leo sings 'I can dance like Fred Astaire'.

"In one of his films — Royal Wedding — Astaire appears to dance around a room, up the wall and across the ceiling and to re-create that effect in the TV ad and for the record sleeve and posters we built a complete revolving room so that Leo could seem to be dancing upside down."

Ariola is awarded second place in the marketine colerons for its.

Ariola is awarded second place in the marketing category for its campaign to launch the debut album from Sky, while Liberty-United takes third place for its campaign behind The Raven album from The

CBS is given fourth place for the marketing push for London Calling by The Clash which involved pegging the double album RRP

Highly Commended in this section are Warwick for Adrian Brett's Echoes Of Gold and EMI for Hot Chocolate's 20 Hottest Hits.

#### though, and I'll be paying as much attention as possible to it." Jet's Discovery campaign was

# full of Eastern promise

of merchandising ELO's Discovery album in the most effective manner possible led to adventurous and highly effective use of window and point of sale

displays.

Deservedly walking off with first Deservedly watering of years with Jirst prize in the POS category Jet can happily reflect on the fact that the exotic full-of-eastern-promise design not only wins prizes but helped to make a lot of

money. The window and POS displays all e window and rOS displays att evolved from the sleeve design, which was the work of the US company Gribbit. All the material was manufactured in America by Jet's US company,

. . . the now famous Arab life-size cut out was still gracing most of the shops three months after the release

and brought to the UK for Topic

to distribute and set up.

Because the LP was released in the
commercially quiet early
summer, the marketing strategy
included much heavier emphasis on display in shops than on national press advertising. The reasoning behind it all - which e reasoning beand it all — which was triumphantly proved right — was that a really lavish display, at a slow time of year, for product which was in itself very strong anyway, would remain visible much longer than any ad.

The number of displays sent out to retailers (1,000 window displays with the lit-up treasure chest as a feature were about three times as many as record companies usually send out) was huge, and the now famous Arab life-size cut-out was still gracing most of the shops three months after the release of Discovery. CBS reps and other informants are actually still reporting Discovery POS sightings.

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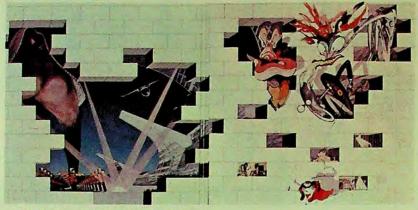
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#### 1979 EMI Records



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THE WALL. Pink Floyd. EMI. Designers: Gerald Scarfe/Roger Waters/Cream

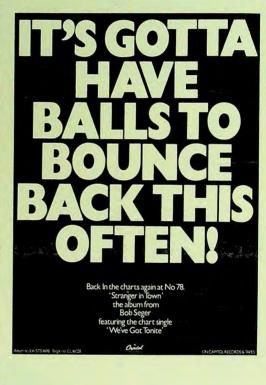


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ELTON JOHN BOXED SET. Elton John. DJM. Designer: Roslav Szaybo

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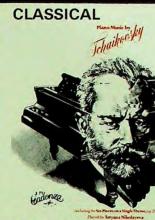


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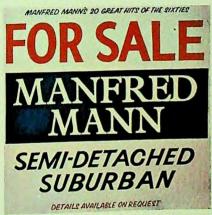
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SEMI DETACHED SUBURBAN. Manfred Mann. EMI. Designer: John O'Driscoll of CDP



TICKET TO RIDE. Carpenters. Music for Pleasure. Designer: David Wharin



ELGAR FALSTAFF SYMPHONIC STUDY. LPO. Classics for Pleasure. Designer: David Wharin



BOOGIE BUS. Various. Phonogram. Designer: McCormick Intermarco-Farner



KNIGHTS OF LAUGHTER. Barron Knights. Pickwick. Designers: Adrian Shaughnessy/Sean Wallace



DELIUS. LPO. Classics for Pleasure. Designer: David Wharin

# Pink Floyd a clear cut winner





JANET SLATER, winner in the budget album sleeve design category points to her winning sleve.

popular full-price album sleeve design award was The Pink Floyd's The Wall.

The Floyd have regularly managed to come up with striking designs for their covers. Witness, the flying pigs over Battersea

#### TV campaigns were hard hit by strikes

THE COMMERCIAL for Manfred Mann's Semi-Detatched Suburban Mann's Semi-Detatched Suburban was hit hard below the belt by the ITV strike last year. But when it was finally aired at the end of December and the beginning of January the album managed to make Top Ten, despite being shown during a slack period.

It was made by Collett Dickenson Pearce, who specialise in often long, high-quality

in often long, high-quality commercials — they also do Benson and Hedges, Heineken and Hovis — the sort EMI was after for its TV campaign albums.

"It is part of the ongoing EMI
TV series," said EMI's commercial
developing officer, Brian Berg.
"You can look back through our
past TV campaigns where we past TV campaigns where we started with the Beach Boys Greatest Hits in 1976 where our objective is producing high-quality commercials.

commercials.
"In terms of volume they are very profitable. And we chose to go for 80 per cent of the audience four times, rather than 55 per cent eight times with a weaker, shorter commercial. Sometimes we would

get away with a cheaper approach but the real cost is obviously the air time, and is it not better to produce a commercial that hasn't got too much financial constraint?"

As far as the awards judges are concerned, they seem to agree with Berg and Collett Dickenson Pearce with Nat King Cole winning last year's award and the Shadows scooping up the one before that. And the chart placings indicate that the policy of making slightly longer the policy of making slightly longer commercials and using peak air-time has also worked with EMI stepping up its TV albums with the Supremes and the Last Dance compilation of Motown ballads.

"For Manfred Man, research indicated that the Sixties music was very relevant to an age group biased towards the 25s and 30s plus," continued Berg. "So obviously the visuals had to relate to that age group. And the objective of Collett's commercials, I think, is something that will motivate that person out of his armchair." Power Station for Animals and the striking visual effects of Dark Side Of The Moon. The Wall (see illustration, page 36) was designed and created by top cartoonist Gerald Scarfe, The Floyd's Roger Waters and Cream

This combined talent beat into second place the much-lauded Stranglers' sleeve for The Raven. It was designed by Liberty United's head of creative services, John

"The original idea came from The Stranglers themselves," says Pasche. "Tongue in cheek, they asked if we could do a 3-D effect and eventually we managed to get it done in Japan. A lot of people in the company were involved in the

project."
Third place in the popular full price section went to DJM's Elton John Boxed Set, designed by Roslav Szaybo, and fourth was Azure D'Or by Renaissance (WEA) designed by Gered Mankowitz.
John Pasche also designed the winning sleeve in the classical section, with Piano Music by Tchaikovsky.

section, with Piano Music by Tchaikovsky.

"A lot of the credit for this must go to the illustrator, Bill Sanderson, whose work is well know through the Sunday Times, Radio Times and other publications. I was somewhat surprised that we won, especially since this album was done at the beginning of the Cadenza series and we were on a very tight budget."

Classics For Pleasure took

Classics For Pleasure took second and third places in the

classical section with the sleeves for Elgar's Violin Concerto and Elgar's Falstaff Symphonic Study, designed by Chris Jones and David Wharin respectively. CfP also scored a Highly Commended for Wharin's design for Delius-LSO.

design for Delius-LSO.

The budget album design award went to Dennis Wilson's Music For Silent Movies (BBC Records), designed by Janet Slater. Janet, who has worked in design for EMI and Decca, is soon to leave the BBC to go freelance. On the Movies sleeve, she comments: "Naturally I'm very pleased to have won this award. It took about three weeks to get all took about three weeks to get all the props together and, being on a tight budget, we had to borrow a lot of the things. I was given a completely free hand in the

Second place in the budget section went to MfP's Carpenters' album, Ticket To Ride, designed by David Wharin. Third place went

by David Wharin. Third place went to Pickwick's Knights Of Laughter designed by Adrian Shaughnessy and Sean Wallace.

In the Mid Price/TV albums section John Horton and Richard Foster of CDP triumphed with Hot Chocolate's 20 Hottest Hits (Rak/EMI) and in second place was Manfred Mann's Semi-Detached Suburban designed by CDP's John O'Driscoll. Third was Phonogram's Boogie Bus designed by McCormick Intermarco-Farner. Judges in the design section were

Judges in the design section were David Pilton, Andrew Brain, Bryan Whitman, John Wynn, Michael Scott-Mason, Ann Kelly, Janetta Lewin, Trevor Preece and Glen Coombes.

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# SHOOTING TO THE TOP



TOP INDIVIDUAL PUBLISHER 1979
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#### In-house effort wins award for A&M

JUDGES FOR the Music Week radio and TV awards categories decided that the past year's crop of radio commercials generally lacked the exceptional creative and production quality which deserved the award of

Three campaigns were, however, ree campaigns were, however, equally placed as being commended. These were all the A&M radio ads, which drew praise for their standard of ideas, style and choice of length. In particular the judges liked the Cool for Cats commercial. This was produced in-house, with the band rewriting the lyrics of the song to turn it into a selling imple: turn it into a selling jingle; marketing director John Cokell co-ordinated, and the idea came from creative consultant Steve

Lavers.

le same in-house principle
applied to the ads for Elkie
Brooks (Live and Learn), Joe
Jackson (I'm the Man), The
Dickies (Dawn of the Dickies)
and the Yellow Magic
Orchestra and the Orchestra.

Cokell agrees that A&M's decision not to use an advertising agency is rather unusual. "But I feel we have enough talent here and

we have enough fateth nete and it is pointless going outside". so commended was the Casablanca campaign for Donna Summer's Bad Girls album. The concept was worked out by Matt Hayward, head of Pye's marketing department, and Peter Lacey of Chess agency, and Casablanca label manager Marvin Howell is more manager Marvin Howell is more than willing to express his delight at what they came up with, the £20,000 radio campaign (radio was chosen because it seemed "a logical medium for this particular 2LP") proved highly effective. The third equally commended ad was Virgin's commercial for the opening of its Megastore retail

outlet in London's Oxford St.

The idea came from Virgin marketing director Pete Stone, who went directly to a production company, Commercial Breaks of Commercial Breaks of Ladbroke Grove, and had the ad made. Stone with commendable modesty says that he feels the ads were absolutely wonderful, and the campaign brought the desired results.

Judges for the radio and TV awards were Chris Ladden and TV awards

were: Chris Legge, director of Freeman Mathews & Milne; Alan Lewis, editor of Sounds; John Walters, Radio One producer; Bob Payton, manager producer; Bob Payton, manager and owner of the Chicago Pizza Pie Factory; Spotlight promotions director; Bob Stanners, creative director of Leo Burnett; Mike Goodrich, of AIR Services; and Barbara Hosking, IBA head of information Hosking, information.

# P Could you resist the **Hot Chocolate nibble ad?**

THE DESIGN that won this year's award for the top full colour ad to appear in *Music Week* was probably the one that also raised the most eyebrows — RAK's Can You Resist A Nibble, a double page spread for the Hot Chocolate compilation album

spread for the Hot Chocolate compilation album.

Mark Robinson of RAK soon found that the ad, depicting a chocolate sensuously placed in between a pair of lips, and designed and written by John Mundy and Robin Murtoh of CDP Aspect, became so popular that more posters of the lips and the band (some in 3-D) were printed for distribution in retailers throughout the country.

throughout the country.

Copy writer Murtoh explains the brief that he and Mundy were given: "We knew that the band had acquired a rather sexy image, we went to see them for ourselves there we developed the strategy of emphasising this. And it's been very successful too."

successful too."

But has this obviously provocative design offended any of our more prudish readers?
"There's been a disappointing lack of complaints — it's very well liked!" laughs Murtoh.

Bunner-tun in this section was the

liked!" laughs Murtoh.

Runner-up in this section was the Thanks Barbra design for Barbra Streisand of CBS, created by Roger Isaacson for David Pilton Advertising. Joint third were the ads for the Very Best of Leo Sayer (Chrysalis) designed by David Costa of Jubilee Graphics and Discovery (Electric Light Orchestra/Jet) designed by Peter Wagg. Highly Commended were United) designed by John Pasche United) designed by John Pasche and Semi-Detached Suburban (Manfred Mann/EMI) designed by Thompson Hanks & Burke.

1OP SPOT colour prize went to Abba's highly original (you could only do it with a name like that though!) mirror image ad, designed for Epic by Roger Isaacson of David Pilton Advertising.

Barry Humphries, product manager at Epic, explains that the ad was meant more for the industry itself than for outsiders: "We wanted something subtle, we

industry itself than for outsiders: "We wanted something subtle, we didn't need lots of copy. The positioning of the ad within Music Week was absolutely essential and it certainly had the desired effect, impressing the industry." Second came the Three Degrees' Pure Gold ad designed for Ariola by Hutton Charrington and Buntrock. Joint third were some Girls (Racey/RAK) designed by

Buntrock, Joint third were some Girls (Racey/RAK) designed by Peter Shepherd, and Ariola ad for Sky designed by Hutton Charrington and Buntrock.

ANOTHER AD attracting a few second looks was the Bob Seger ad,

It's Gotta Have Balls To Bounce Back This Often, designed for Capitol Records by Cream Creative Marketing winner of the monochrome section.

monochrome section.

Martyn Cox, general manager of Capitol, explains how the ad came about: "Seger's album, Stranger In Town, had been bobbing in and out of the charts for ages, so my predecessor, David Munns, decided an ad to show the dealers.

predecessor, David Munns, decided we needed an ad to show the dealers it was still selling. He got on to Margaret Taylor at Cream, told her he wanted an ad with balls and she took him at his word!"
Runner up was Mercury's ad for Sandy McLelland and The Backline, Get That Sandy Feeling, designed by Peter Groves, and joint third were An Englishman In New York (Goodley/ Creme/Polydor), designed by Alwyn Claden and Exposed (Mike Oldfield/Virgin) designed by Pearce Marchbank.

#### Scarfe designs wins double first for Floyd

UNDER THE creative direction of Mike Stanford, Cream

mbarked on the design for Pink Floyd national press ads. The concept of the Floyd double album had been the responsibility of Roger Waters and from the very beginning it was he who had wanted to have cartoonist and illustrator Gerald Scarfe

involved in the sleeve design.

The sleeve was itself impressive — and was another MW award and was obviously the basis on which the press advertising

— and was obviously the basis on which the press advertising designs would be put together.

However, as Stanford points out: "Although we were anxious to make the ads relevant to the LP, the outer sleeve design was obviously not much use on its own in an ad design and the inner design was just too busy to be used in black and white for a press

design was just too day
ad.

"So we commissioned five more illustrations from Scarfe, in
black and white and in colour; these were all used in a series of
press ads which put different designs into different papers.

"Our part in the national and trade press campaign was in
the Scarfe to do the extra illustrations and putting the artive

getting Scarfe to do the extra illustrations and putting the artwork together. Without Roger Waters' original concept and Scarfe's artistic input the ads would not have been so effective."

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The judges for the advertising sections were: Peter Wilkinson,
David Curtis (Ad manager Melody Maker), Peter Bostock (Bostock & Curtis), Mike Doyle (The Kirkwood Company), Robert Clark
(W. H. Smith), Bill Ridd (ad manager Evening Standard), Ian Pay
(Ad manager Now!), Jeremy Webb (creative director Everetts),
Giles Keeble (copywriter Abbott Mead Davies & Vickers).



MUSIC WEEK'S disco cabaret features Shock, pictured above, alias Robert Pereno, Lowri Ann Richards, Tim Dry, Barbara White and Karen Sparks, of whom the first two were recently voted the most outrageous disco dancers on the live circuit by the Sun newspaper.

Tim Dry has studied mime for three years under Desmond Jones and Lindsay Kemp, while Barbara White has had similar experience and is also an accomplished singer/actress who led her own theatre group in the US. Karen Sparks has been a trained dancer since a child and toured with the Boogie Bus Show with Robert and Lowri Ann before forming Shock last year.

Collectively the five have put together a dance and mime act which features various costume changes and props. Shock themselves describe it as being "sexual, sensual, sensational and yet extremely artistic in its content".

The use of mime is also prevalent through the show.

The outfit has already toured the US, including Miami, New York and Houston, as well as visiting Mexico City, Acapulco, Bombay and Delhi Tonight they entertain the UK record industry at the annual Music Week awards dinner at the Dorchester Hotel.

THE EFFECTS which can be achieved with lasers, when very large amounts of power are used, are extremely impressive. These are the kind of effects which Laserpoint's crew of four and £80,000-worth of equipment are providing for what the company regards as "a very sophisticated audience" at the MW Awards Dinner.

Dinner.

The basic equipment involved in this futuristic light show comprises two Spectra-Physic lasers (for the technically-minded they are an A171 type krypton laser, providing red beams, and a 165 argon ion laser providing blue/green beams). They are

controlled by computerised programming equipment, and can provide a full range of threedimensional beam effects.

The programme starts with the

lasers performing alone to a special music tape, but they later provide light effects for the cabaret, Shock.

Laserpoint, which was formed two years ago, regularly provides laser effects for various functions and venues from industry conferences to discotheques. This laser show appears at the MW Awards as Laserpoint in asserbation with Laserpoint in association with Holographic Developments.



CELEBRATING HIS MW Marketing Award is Peter Wagg, director of creative services at Chrysalis (right) with Spotlight managing director Jack Hutton. The award was carried off by Wagg's presentation of the Leo Sayer

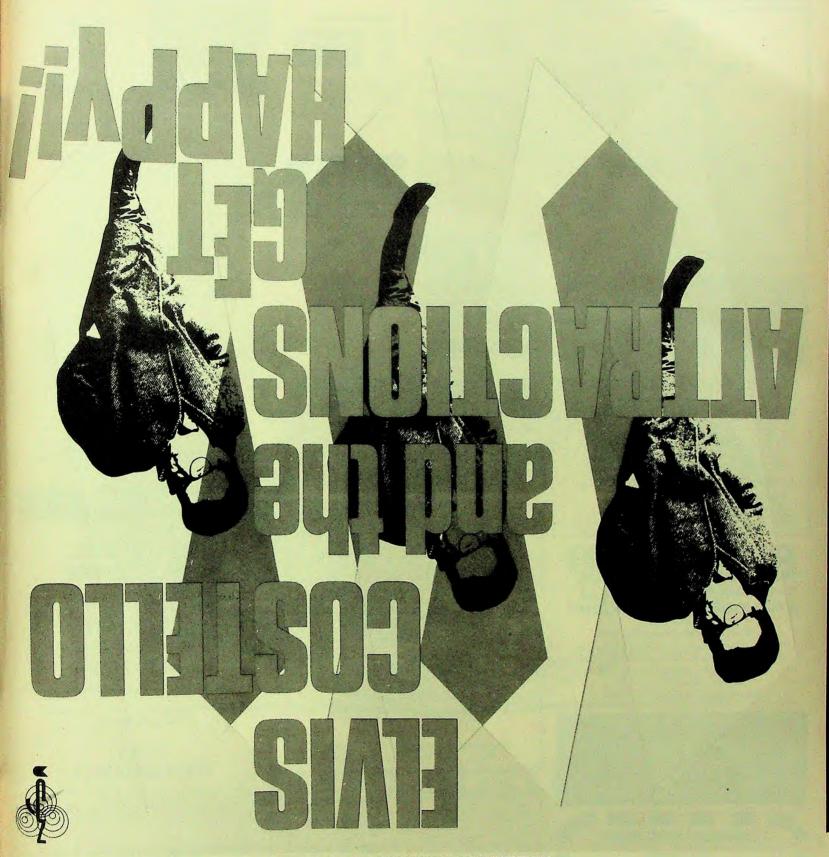
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#### American Commentary



#### Mr Pickwick heads CBS video operation. . . Asher speaks. . . Casablanca faces \$10 million suit. . . More court actions

NEW YORK: CBS formally launched its video enterprises as a division of the Records group with the appointment of Cy Leslie as

division of the Records group with the appointment of Cy Lesie as president of the new operation.

Leslie was founder and chairman of the board of Pickwick International from its inception in 1953 to its takeover by American Can in 1977. Subsequently, he headed his own Leslie Group Inc., a private investment firm, and was involved in the production of several cable TV adaptations of off-Broadway shows. He will be reporting to

The video enterprises unit will handle the manufacture and distribution of videotape and videodisc programming, both from existing resources and from self-originated material, and will produce

existing resources and from self-originated inateriat, and will produce programming for domestic and international cable telecast.

It is expected that the first software — in a variety of configurations — will be made available commercially before mid-year, and that announcement of staff appointments will be made in the immediate

Leslie anticipates setting up a regional manager system to oversee manufacturing and distribution of software, dividing the US into four

COINCIDENTALLY, IT was Leslie who introduced CBS Records Group deputy president Richard Asher to a gathering of the music and arts lodge of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith for Asher's first formal speech since taking over the reins of the domestic

operation last year.

Asher reiterated the themes he had expressed in a year-end interview with Music Week, insisting that "we're not in the music business, we're in the leisure time entertainment business", and citing films, sports and other leisure time activities as the real competitors of the

Asher further likened the current market situation in the US to that which he encountered in the UK when he arrived there in 1973, and pointed out that recovery in the UK included an increase in sales of 200 per cent and an increase in profits of 400 per cent within three years, despite all the doomsday predictions.

#### By IRA MAYER

He called for the industry to take heed of the fact that "consumers are more conscious of value" today then they ever have been, and emphasised the importance of offering a quality product. "The answer," he said by way of concluding his formal remarks, "isn't 'Don't spend money'. It's 'Don't spend money unwisely'."

During questions afterwards, Asher candidly admitted that "decreasing the roster to a size we can service would seem to be the direction to go". He estimated that 1979 retail sales probably "weren't less — or not by a great deal — than in 1978", with unit sales "not worse than 10 per cent down, if that", and commented on the

impact of disco.
"We forget that people always like to dance," he said, "and we forgot that music and dancing have some relationship to each other. But disco was a form with no great musical attribute except that it was danceable. Almost any disco album, if you listen to it for 20 minutes,

THERE WILL be more than discoing in Los Angeles Superior Court as Donna Summer and Casablanca president Neil Bogart (and wife and former co-manager of Summer, Joyce Bogart) battle out the disco queen's \$10 million suit in which she seeks to sever her ties with the

Charging "undue influence, fraud and deceit", Summer's 22-page suit alleges that the Bogarts "jointly consulted and rendered all decisions related to plaintiff's career" with intent to benefit Casablanca, not the artist.

Summer continues to be managed by Susan Munao, a former VP of

public relations at Casablanca and Joyce Bogart's former partner. Summer's contract with Casablanca has another three years to run and, given that she is the label's top selling act (somebody has to help make up for those three million returned solo Kiss albums), her loss would not exactly go unnoticed.

ALSO IN the courts: MCA has responded to Ron Alexenburg's \$15 million suit, claiming it had done no wrong in dissolving the Infinity operation and charging mismanagement on behalf of the former label chief.

MCA has also sued Stephen Bishop for \$1.2 million, claiming that the singer-songwriter has not abided by his agreement with ABC Records, which was taken over by MCA. According to the suit, Bishop's ABC contract included three two-year options, and was signed in 1976.

Elektra/Asylum has sued Joe Cocker for \$133,138, \$125,000 of which was a six-month promissory note that was a part of Coker's December 1977 recording contract, and the remainder being owed for going over budget in the studio.

SHORTS: Richard Lewine, composer, Broadway producer and former executive of CBS TV, has been appointed to supervise the estates of the late Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II. Together with a copyright expert, Lewine will be responsible for approval of proposed revivals (and their casts), publication and recording permission for all Rodgers and Hammerstein songs and scores.

#### "BLANK TAPE LEVY IS THE ONLY ANSWER"

#### Piracy: a practical solution

I WAS delighted to read (MW February 9) that the BPI is moving further along the road towards a blank tape levy

Copyright has for long been a subject of interest to me and the more so as I work in music publishing, and as such I have always upheld the principles of copyright in my private life. This has caused some strained relations with some friends who cannot understand why I would not allow them to tape some of my records.

However, lately I have come to realise, as many audio and video producers have, that home taping is near impossible to eradicate. I believe the responsibility and burden of copyright (a complex subject not even clearly understood by many people involved in the music business) should be taken off the shoulders of the consumer.

This does not mean that I advocate wholesale home taping, but one has to be practical. We must remember that the BPI knows that technology has not found a foolproof spoiler system; increased prices mean less volume sales but not necessarily a lesser interest in music; and the near total lack of knowledge, understanding or interest in copyright by the general public.

Why don't we accept these facts? We know that the voluntary performance licence has not been very successful and a compulsory scheme that depends wholly

The practical solution is the one that takes the onus from the consumer to the industry (whose problem home

taping is) — the blank tape levy.

The monies from such a levy would help copyright owners in two different ways. It could be distributed as a bonus in proportion to mechanicals accrued, i.e. the bigger the mechanicals paid, the bigger the bonus. Or it

could be used as operating capital or added to the income received by the mechanical rights organisations.

One could argue that the first system may not be fair because even if, say, Mull Of Kintyre is highly credited with a bonus due to its high mechanicals, it is probably an

obscure Jamaican pre-release reggae record that suffers most from home taping.

Since there can never be a fair system for judging which record has been taped how many times, I believe the second system is most fair for all concerned.

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Finally, I would point out that a person who tapes a record would not necessarily buy the record should he or she be prevented from taping. Though I would not encourage friends to tape, the situation at present does not justify my falling out with friends by refusing them.

TODD LUTTERODT, general manager, December Songs, Park View Road, London NW10.

#### King abdication it's only au revoir

SOME OF you may have been horrified to read in the national papers or see on Nationwide that Jonathan King is leaving these shores to take up residence in the US — from whence he will be reporting weekly on the US Presidential race for Radio Four, Radio One and others.

The music industry without JK is rather like roast beef without horseradish. I'm sure you will agree. But do not despair — the reports are not entirely true. I shall still keep my toe firmly placed in the water. I shall still

produce smash hits. I shall still acquire great songs. I shall still grace-British TV and radio with my personality and still release the occasional giant record.

Add to this — you all now have a friend in New York, able to chase up those dreadful foreigners who don't know a

decent hit when they hear one.

And I'll be popping back every now and then. So keep eating the beef and I'll keep providing the horseradish!

Love, JONATHAN KING, c/o Decca Records, London, W1.

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I refer, of course, to Jerry Lee refer, of course, to Jerry Lee
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#### FEATURE



SIR EDWARD LEWIS as a dashing young stockbroker of the Thirties

Part Two of the Decca Story . . . as told in his own words by the late SIR EDWARD LEWIS



BILLY COTTON: one of the artists on Decca's first release in 1929

#### Boardroom battles in the slump of '29

THE DECCA Record company started with over £300,000 in cash and I remember Sir Sigismund Mendl suggesting that a large portion of this sum should be put on portion of this sum should be put on deposit with the National Discount Company where a good rate of interest could be obtained. I told him that regardless of the rate of interest, the money should be deposited with the company's bankers, the National Provincial Bank, to whom the board would have to turn if ever they needed help.

I little guessed how desperately that assistance would one day be needed, or that I should be the one who would have to ask for it. I had made up my mind long before never to be mixed up in commerce and certainly had no intention of being concerned with the management of the Decca company.

#### "I did my utmost to persuade the directors to reduce the price of popular records"

Within three months I realised that all was not well with the organisation and went to the directors suggesting that changes should be made in the management. I was told that it was unthinkable so soon after the public issue. I then lobbied the directors in turn, and warned them that the company was facing ultimate disaster. They were immovable.

Eventually the board gave way and a committee of investigation was set up. The managing director and a number of executives resigned and it was decided to put the Decca Record Company under the management of the Decca 

issued in June including half a dozen titles by Ambrose, two by Billy Cotton, quite an imposing list on paper. The retail price of the popular series was 3s (15p) in line with HMV and Columbia.

In September the Stock Exchange slump was touched off; shares fell like ninepins; the record boom was

Against a general falling demand for records Decca found it impossible to make any real headway.

In the early months of 1931 I did my utmost to persuade the directors to reduce the price of popular records from 2s (10p) to 1s 6d (8p) in the belief that only at the lower price could turnover by increased could turnover be increased sufficiently to enable the company to earn profits.

At that time HMV and Columbia records were retailing at 3s (15p), their second string records, Zonophone and Regal, at 2s 6d (13p), with Broadcast, Imperial and

would not only eat into the turnover of higher priced records but would surely take a great deal of business

from the lower priced ones.

The directors argued that the drop in gross profit per record would be disastrous. I stuck to my guns and finally they offered to agree to a reduction to 1s 9d. I pointed out that such a price was neither fish, flesh nor fowl, and that if Zonophone and Regal records were reduced to 1s 6d. as well they might, we would inevitably be forced to the same price having lost the golden opportunity, perhaps for ever, of giving Decca records the stimulus so urgently required.

By a stroke of good fortune, before a move had been made, there came an announcement of major importance.

importance.

I happened to be at the Decca office at 7 o'clock one March evening when I got a call from the City with the exciting news that The Graphophone Company and The Columbia Gramophone Company were amalgamating. I realised that this move gave Decca its opportunity; that competition with a combine would be very different from competition with two active independent companies.

I immediately pressed my point

I immediately pressed my point for a reduction in price to 1s 6d on the grounds that a new situation the grounds that a new situation existed, and at the very last moment got my way. The effect was quite striking, sales showing some real signs of buoyancy, and new hope swelled.

swelled.

S. C. Newton (managing director) was doing his best but I became more and more convinced that under his management the business would never achieve success. Whilst he was endeavouring to conserve the small amount of cash left in the bank, I believed that the one hope of saving the business lay in using these resources in signing up big name artists and launching an aggressive sales campaign, backed by extensive press advertising. press advertising.

I finally told Newton that I could

I finally told Newton that I could probably find him a more suitable position with some other company. He readily agreed and I took my wife to Switzerland for three weeks holiday. After two weeks I had the feeling that something had gone wrong and we left immediately for home. So strong was the feeling that I left that beautiful country literally in tears, with the conviction that a long period of trouble lay ahead and that was to be my last holiday for years. So it was.

years. So it was.
On returning to London I found On returning to London I found that my fears were all too well founded. Newton had persuaded the directors that they should not allow a stockbroker to interfere in the affairs of the company.

I decided to make a tour of the country and find out at first hand

"I left Switzerland literally in tears, with the conviction that a long period of trouble lay ahead..." how Decca records were faring with the dealers. Teddie Holstius, an old friend, who had just retired from the post of publicity manager with British Celanese, came with me in

my Austro-Daimler.

We went as far north as Dundee calling on many dealers on the way.

Often we were told that Decca records could be found at the cycle shop round the corner, though there were of course exceptions. The worse the distribution, the more our hopes rose, for the greater were the potentialities.

At the North British Hotel, Edinburgh, we sat till two in the morning with A. R. Morris, who was in charge of northern sales, literally tearing our hair in desperation as to how to deal with the situation in London.

the situation in London.

On awakening I announced that we were going straight back to London and that I would take Newton's job, Teddie agreeing to join in charge of advertising and publicity. I had in mind a few months of concentrated effort and these activates to the Stock Exchange.

then a return to the Stock Exchange.

How wrong I was — those few
months have already extended to 26
years (and went on for another 23

#### "I decided to make a tour of the country and find out at first hand how Decca Records were faring"

Back in London the directors did their best to support the now tottering managing director, but it was of no avail, and though I believe at the time they regarded it was a temporary arrangement, by the middle of September I had joined the board.

the board.

There was little money in the kitty and not a moment to be lost. Soon we had new artists signed up, including Gertrude Lawrence and Edythe Baker. Teddie Holstius started a big sales promotion drive and an extensive advertising campaign was undertaken, based on the slogan, ''Leading Artists — Lower Prices''.

Displays appeared in dealers'

Displays appeared in dealers' shops, particularly in the heart of London. Enthusiasm began to London. Enthusiasm began to permeate the whole organisation and sales to mount. Roy Fox and his band, then at the Monseigneur restaurant and a regular broadcaster, was the spearhead of the attack, culminating in the unheard of expense of that magical Daily Mail front page.

Daily Mail front page.

Decca Records was now building up a new importance and the anticipated reduction in price of Regal-Zonophone (now one label) to 1s 6d took place, with HMV and Columbia dropping to 2s 6d. But by then Decca was established, if

precariously.

Next week: Into the American market.

GRANADA TV'S documentary whizkids are preparing an hourlong programme looking inside the music business While we are all congratulating this week's winners of Music Week Awards, a word of praise also to Satril's winners of *Music Week* Awards, a word of praise also to Satril's **Henry Hadaway** whose label comes out top in a *Music Labo* survey in Japan for the second year running with the No. 1, 2 and 3 singles and No. 1, 5 and 27 albums in the international Japanese charts . . . Having seen the current American rave movie 10 (courtesy Warners which has the soundtrack) we can't understand what all the fuss is about particularly as the diminutive **Dudley Moore** doesn't actually get it together with the admittedly statuesque **Bo Derek** while **Henry Mancin**'s mob throb out Ravel's Bolero, the single of which is apparently selling throb out Ravel's Bolero, the single of which is apparently selling in droves to panting Americans.

THE KINKS have received the Ampex Golden Reel award for the top recording and technical team — the first in Britain — for their Low Budget album, and the band have donated their \$1,000 prize to Leukaemia Research fund charity . . . Meanwhile, isn't the BPI getting a trifle twitchy about that Memorex blank tape ad featuring the Moody Blues' Nights In White Satin track? . . . ELP have officially disbanded after selling 25 million albums over past 11 years . . . Songwriters **David Skillin** and **Michael Stubbs** have formed own label, Dinosaur Discs, because of difficulty they found placing songs and obtaining cover versions and debut with A E I O U by Pedi and the Lions (DD 001) via Pinnacle

NEW ADDRESS for Eric Hall of Rocket Music and Big Pig Music is, inevitably, Star Street . . . Exhortation from Midem's Bernard Chevry for music industry to "roll up its shirtsleeves" to overcome the recession prompted response from one British delegate that he was willing to do same if he could first have his shirt back . . . Ric Lee of Fast Western Music on flying visit to Germany last week to play drums on rock LP recorded live at the Star Club and featuring Kingsize Taylor among others . . . The MTA has its own way of putting the music industry back on its feet — its conference at bracing Bournemouth includes seminar topics Health And Fitness For The Businessman and A Strapping

HOPING FOR a repeat performance from **Dave Edmunds**, Acuff Rose Music's **Tony Peters** points out that it is 23 years to the month since Tommy Steele and Guy Mitchell had number one hits with Singing The Blues . . . EMI Films and Theatre PR man **Reg Williams**, who has looked after many a *MW* scribe at Talk Reg Williams, who has looked after many a MW scribe at 1 alk Of The Town first nights, moves to Los Angeles in March to take up a similar appointment with EMI Films there . . . Judie Tzuke has been writing with Elton John and is likely to have one of her songs on his next album . . . Hansa points out that Amii Stewart is the only European-based artist nominated for a US music Grammy Award, due to be announced February 27, in the Best Female Vocalist and Best R & B Vocalist sections for Knock On Wood. Wood . . . April Music's Len Beadle commenting on the leisurely lift service at PRS: "It's as slow as the payments".

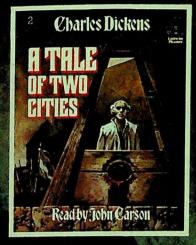
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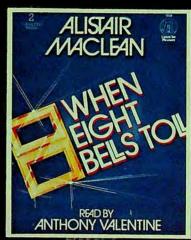
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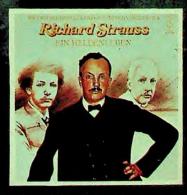
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