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Reform of the Law relating to Copyright, Designs and **Performers' Protection**

'At the end of the day it may have to be accepted that there is no acceptable solution'



REGINALD EYRE: Government has not received convincing evidence that a levy would be an acceptable solution." has Left. The cover of the Green Paner and its bleak conclusion on home-

By THE EDITOR

IT IS eight years since the Government acknowledged the need for reform of copyright law in the face of advancing technology and appointed the Whitford Committee to look

into it.

It is four years since that committee reported that "a considerable amount of unauthorised recording" was going on and warned that if people continued to record for the state of nothing it would weaken the record industry and harm the interests of those who are dependent on the industry. It is only a few days since the

publication of the Government's Green Paper which has at last made proposals based on Whitford and many months of its own civil servants' investigations, but it is still difficult to take in the enormity

of its implications.

The Government has cocked an almighty snook at the music industry and has callously condemned it. Not only has its proposals put the official seal of approval on copyright theft through home-taping, but by so-doing it will openly encourage many more people to take up the practice.
The Green Paper's view of the

matter is almost cynical in its refusal to come to terms with the problem.

problem.

Yet it does not deny the problem exists, and even makes its own estimate of £50m a year losses. How can any Government stand back and knowingly impose such a cancerous burden on an industry?

We must question whether this Green Paper is a true and honest representation of an investigation into a genuine and serious affliction undermining a major UK export-earning industry — or whether it is politically motivated.

It seems the Government has oted for the vote-catching gimmick of giving consumers the freedom to steal as much music as they can record rather than charging them a fair price for the

privilege.

But, as Whitford said, the eventual effect will be "to the ultimate detriment of the whole community". The Government should think on that before writing its proposals into a White Paper and the statute books.

A STUNNED MUSIC NDUSTRY FIGHT FVY PROPOSAL

Government's Green Paper on copyright reform being published last week the BPI was gearing up a massive campaign to overturn the proposal that there should be no blank tape or hardware levy to compensate for home-taping.

The reaction throughout the music industry was one of stunned astonishment as the implications of the Green Paper's recommendations sank in.

In effect the Government has given the public the go-ahead to carry on breaking the law by infringing copyrights through hometaping. And its message to the music industry is clear — you'll just have to live with it!

In its conclusion to the chapter on

carries this bleak summing up: "At the end of the day it may have to be accepted that there is in fact no acceptable solution."

And in an earlier paragraph the paper asks whether copying in private "should be regarded as beyond the reasonable bounds of copyright law and that copyright owners should be content with exercising their rights within the commercial sphere".

The paper goes on: "This may not be easy to accept but, unless alternative schemes which compensate rights owners without imposing unacceptable burdens on the individual are possible, it may be that the industry will have to reconcile itself to a situation where its revenue comes mainly from broadcasting and other public performances (such as discos) of its recordings."

The BPI sees in this the clear

inference that in the future the UK ecord industry will not be able to

record industry will not be able to depend on income from record sales. "This is totally unrealistic," says a BPI statement. "Equally untenable is the prospect of the record industry being supported mainly by income derived from broadcasting networks, and such a principle is unprecedented anywhere else in the world."

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BPI chairman Chris Wright added: "This at least shows they accept the seriousness of the problem and it gives new credibility to our demands for a totally new appraisal of the kind of fees we are getting from the broadcasting organisations."

The Government says that the true extent of losses through home-taping is unknown and ''probably unquantifiable''. Its main objections

 It would have to be unacceptably TO PAGE 4

Main points of the **Green Paper**

THESE ARE the main recommendations in the Government's Green Paper discussion document on copyright reform.

 No levy on blank tapes or hardware.

• If a workable spoiler system can be found the Government will support it with legislation against antispoiler devices.

Stiffer penalties for

 Tighter controls on photocopying of copyright material.

The statutory recording licence to be abolished.
The Performing Right

Tribunal to be renamed the Copyright Tribunal and its scope broadened.

 Hotels and holiday camps to pay when records played for benefit of residents.

• Record makers broadcast organisations to have a right to control diffusion of their works (by cable etc).

Join the debate in N

THE GREEN Paper is only a "discussion document" and the Government has made it clear that, particularly on the subject of home-taping, it welcomes a "lively" public debate before reaching any final conclusions and making its proposals law.

You can join the debate by writing to Music & Video Week and airing your views. We will publish a balanced selection and forward all letters to the appropriate government department.

• Write to: Green Paper Debate, Music & Video Week, 40 Long Acre,

Slashing your prices is suicide says APRS

PANIC PRICE-CUTTING is the road to ruin for the individual and for the industry. Sensible pricing, credit control and attention to cash flow are the recipe for survival.

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This is the belief of the Association of Professional Recording Studios expressed at their annual general meeting in London last week. In a plea to studios, both members and non-members, APRS chairman Peter Harris said: "Please charge the economic rate. It could mean ruin for the recording industry not to do so."

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Harris added that in some cases, studios had been "slashing" their rates by

Describing the UK studios as "the pride of the world", Harris emphasised the APRS' fears that "desperation price cutting tactics" could drag down the high standards of the industry and lead to reductions in the quality of service

Full report of the APRS 1981 AGM in MW's Studioscene next month

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NEWS

IBA and **BBC** greet local radio growth

local radio has been warmly welcomed by both the

BBC and the IBA.

Following the third report of the Home Office Local Radio Working Party, published in December 1980, the Home Secretary has agreed to 25 more ILR stations and 10 more BBC local stations.

IBA director general Sir Brian Young, comments: "It is good news that a further 25 localities can now be covered, with the prospect of virtually the whole of the UK having ILR during the Eighties."

The IBA hopes to advertise the first of the new batch of contracts before the end of the year and among the initial 12 could be Brighton, Derby, Great Yarmouth and Norwich, Huddersfield/Halifax, Humberside, Maidstone and Medway, Northampton, Oxford/Banbury, Reigate and Crawley, Southampton, Stoke, and Yeovil/Taunton.

The rest will follow, says the IBA, as transmitter sites are acquired and planning permissions finalised in consultation with local authorities and as suitable frequencies can be assigned by the Government.

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are Aylesbury, Basingstoke and Andover, The Borders (Hawick) with Berwick, Cambridge and Newmarket, Dorchester/Weymouth, Eastbourne/Hastings, Hertford and Harlow, Milton Keynes, North West Wales (Conway Bay), Redruth/Falmouth/Penzance/Truro, Shrewsbury and Telford, Stranraer/Dumfries/Galloway, and Whitehaven and Workington/Carlisle.

Of the 44 previously-authorised stations, 26 are now on air, with a further eight due to begin broadcasting in the next nine months and the last 10 expected on air in 1982 or 1983.

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The BBC has been given approval to build 10 more stations in England, bringing the total to 38 serving over 90 per cent of the country's population.

The new county stations in England will serve Essex, Warwickshire, Gloucestershire, Surrey, Hereford and Worcester, Suffolk, Bedfordshire, Wiltshire, Dorset and Berkshire.

Aubrey Singer, MD of BBC Radio, says: "We enthusiastically welcome the news as it allows us at last to fulfil our obligations to the licence payers by offering them the full range of BBC Radio services."



THREATENING TO get his picture into Music & Video Week more frequently than even Don Ellis or Charles Levison is Nipper (alias Toby), with the proper lookalike contest. The jiving Jack Russell was on hand to pose for photographs at the recent opening of HMV's Manchester superstore. He is pictured being clasped by Bucks Fizz's Cheryl Baker while listening to the gentle strains of Presley's Hound Dog on his recently purchased Sony Walkman. Also in the picture are Mike Nolan, Jay Aston and Bobby G of Bucks Fizz.

Limited run of re-mastered classics from Phonogram

PHONOGRAM RELEASES three of its top-selling albums in limited-edition, half-speed mastered form this week.

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Dire Straits' Making Movies
(Vertigo HS 6359 034), 10cc's
Original Soundtrack (Mercury HS
9102 500) and Steve Miller's
Greatest Hits 1974-1978 (Mercury
HS 9199 916) will each have a dealer
price of £3.80 plus VAT, which is
described by the company as being
"considerably lower than similar
recordings released by other record
companies."

The albums have been re-mastered and pressed in the UK, which Phonogram again claims to be a first other companies have usually gone abroad for such recordings and

pressings.

The LP sleeves have been adapted to show the higher-quality of the pressings with a yellow band across the top of each sleeve proclaiming "Half-speed mastered - special limited edition" and each sleeve will

contain a leaflet outlining the advantages of this type of recording and pressing.

A Phonogram spokesman said: "Each album sleeve has undergone the same kind of quality control usually associated with the highest quality classical recordings."

Budget Beatles
THE BEATLES' Hamburg Tapes are being made available again as two budget albums by Pheonix Records, available through President. The LPs, Early Beatles, Vol. I and 1 (PHX 1004-1005), have a dealer price of £1.31.

Pheonix is part of Audio Fidelity Enterprises, which intends to release a double album on the AFI label in August, featuring the original 26 songs which appeared on the

songs which appeared on the Hamburg Tapes, along with four other numbers which until now have never been available in the UK. The albums will be available through Spartan



THE ZOMBA Group of companies has signed the Liverpool-based A Flock Of Seagulls to a long-term worldwide publishing and recording deal through the company's recently formed Jive Records label. A single will be released shortly with an album to follow later this year. Pictured above at the signing session are (1 to r): Clive Calder (Zomba director), Ali Score, Mick Score, Frank Maudsley (band,) Mick Rossi, Harry McQuire (management), Paul Reynolds (band,) Steve Blacknell (promotion manager, Jive) and Tommy Crossan (management).

Date set for EEC decision on Portuguese imports

SEPTEMBER 30 is the date that has been set for the European Court in Strasbourg to consider the legality of importing Portuguese-manufactured albums — parallel imports — into the UK. In May 1980, the Court Of Appeal discharged an earlier Court ruling restraining Simons Records from importing the albums. The Appeal Court considered that the parallel imports from Portugal infringed UK copyright, but were permitted because of a Treaty between the EEC and Portugal.



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NEWS

Glitter licensed to Phonogram

BRIAN HUTCH, managing director of Eagle Records, has made a licensing deal with Phonogram for Gary Glitter's Eagle product. Phonogram will be releasing product by Glitter, but the records will carry the Eagle logo and name. Both

the Eagle logo and name. Both companies will promote the product. First release under the new deal is Glitter's single, When I'm On, I'm On/Wild Horses (Eagle 009), released on July 24 in a limited edition picture bag. The former teenybop idol is currently touring the UK with the Gary Glitter Rock And Roll Circus And Roll Circus.

RCA RECORDS has signed a licensing agreement with Australian label Deluxe Records covering the UK, Italy, France, Spain and Portugal.

Portugal.

Deluxe is run in Australia by exAC/DC manager Mike Browning
and his UK representative is Richard
Griffiths, newly-appointed
managing director of Virgin Music.
Successes down under for the
company include The Numbers and

INXS and both groups have albums set for the autumn. The Numbers' single Five Letter Word will be released on August 28 and INXS' Just Been Walking on September 4.

DEREK NICHOLL, formerly managing director of Mountain Records, has set up a new company, the Derek Nicholl Organisation, and signed a production deal with RCA which gives the company Voyager

which gives the company Voyager for the world.

DNO will cover management, record production and publishing though at present the deal with RCA is for Voyager only.

Four piece rock band Voyager's third album is expected in September, preceded by a single entitled King Of Siam, released this month.

POLYDOR HAS signed The Loved One — Dryden Hawkins and Zeb — who appeared on the Some Bizarre compilation recently. The duo



release their first single, a version of The Tornadoes' Telstar, on July 24 in a picture sleeve.

ELEKTRA RECORDS has signed US heavy metal band Riot. A new album, Fire Down Below, is scheduled for August 7 release. Riot were previously with Capitol Records.

WEA RECORDS has acquired the distribution rights to all releases on the US label, Moby Dick Records. First release is a single, Ain't No Mountain High Enough/Remember Me, in both 7-inch and 12-inch formats, out on July 31. Their album, Cruisin' In The Streets, available for some time on import, is released on the same date. released on the same date.

WEA INTERNATIONAL Modern Records product outside the US and Canada. First release is the debut solo album from Fleetwood Mac's Stevie Nicks, entitled Bella Donna, which is scheduled for July 31 and includes duets with Don Henley and Tom Petty.

HAVANA LET'S GO, the seven-piece "fun and fruit band" from London, have signed to Polydor Records. A debut single is scheduled for release towards the end of

THE INDEPENDENT Clay
Records has signed Birmingham
punk band, GBH. First release will
be an eight-track 12-inch 45
(PLATE 3) which will be available
through Pinnacle towards the end of

Staff reshuffle at EMI

SEVERAL STAFF changes have been made in EMI Records' marketing and promotion departments. Bryan Tyrrell is appointed marketing manager — a mewly-created position — for the Motown label, reporting to Motown acting general manager Gordon

Frewin.

Martin Wyn Griffith moves from

Martin Wyn Griffith moves from the Capitol/EMI-America/Liberty US division to take up the post of or division take up the post of product manager, video projects, reporting to Geoff Kempin, video projects manager. Replacing Wyn Griffith at Capitol/EMI-America/Liberty US is Jane Evans who previously worked in the EMIR

who previously worked in the EMIR
creative department.

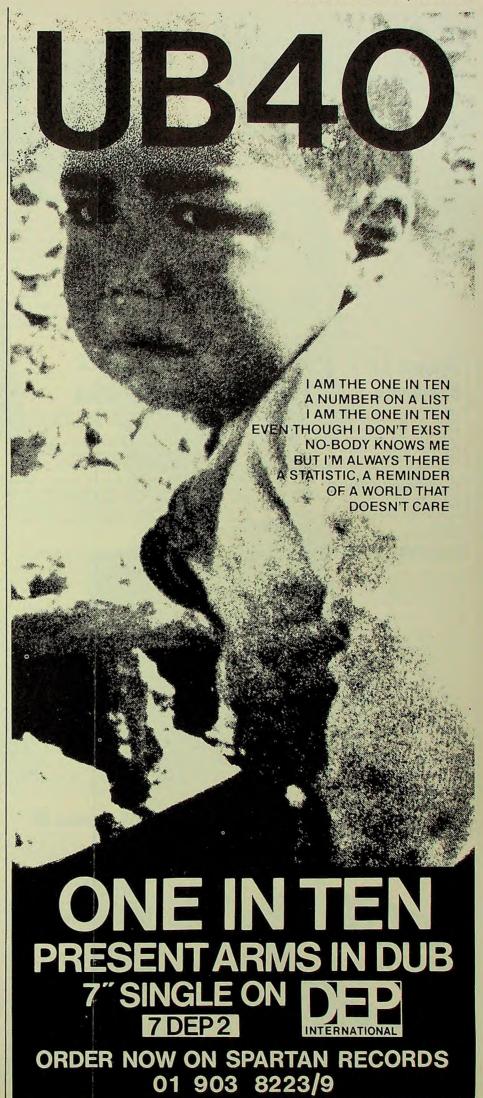
Bob White is appointed senior
promotion manager for the
EMI/Liberty UK division, reporting EMI/Liberty UK division, reporting to national promotion manager Geoff Atherton, and Trish King is appointed regional promotion coordinator. Roger Bowman, previously with CBS Records, has joined the EMI/Liberty UK promotion division reporting to Atherton. He will have Atherton. He will have responsibilities for Radio One, Capital and Luxembourg.

FIONA TAYLOR has joined forces with Jenny Torring to form a public relations company, T 'N' T
Publicity, based at 4a Newman
Passage, London, W1, (637 5006)
... Chris Stone has been appointed to the newly-created position at RCA of manager, international



A&R licensed labels A&R licensed labels ... Virgin Music has a new MD and a new head of A&R, following the departure earlier this year of Laurie Dunn who left to form his own label. The new MD is Richard Griffiths who was formerly Chris Blackwell's personal assistant at Island Records, before becoming head of A&R for that company. He left in 1979 to manage John Foxx and spent six months John Foxx and spent six months carlier this year setting up European licensing deals for Australian independent label Deluxe Records. With the assistance of new A&R chief Danny Goodwin and general chief Danny Godwin and general manager Brian Dunham, Griffiths intends to expand and develop Virgin's music publishing arm... Virgin's press office has been re-organised, following the departure of press chief Al Clark, after seven years, to co-edit Event magazine.

Keith Bourton, who joined the company 18 months ago from Motown and previously edited Black Echoes, becomes head of press. while Ross Stapleton moves out of the press office to become more fully involved in artist development on the Virgin label.



NEWS

RCA videos by early in 1982

THE MARKETING introduction of the home video joint venture between RCA Corporation and Columbia Pictures Industries (see *Music Week*, July 11) will be in the United Kingdom during the first quarter of 1982.

The joint venture, says RCA, will also provide programmes throughout the world, excluding the US and Canada.

Under the new arrangement RCA will market existing and theatrical film television programmes produced by the two partners and other producers, as well as

productions created specifically for the home video

Nobody has yet been appointed to head the operation but it will make use of RCA Records' sales and support sales and support services.

RCA Records' video music programmes and RCA SelectaVision programmes will also flow through the venture which will handle all formats of home video, concentrating on cassette sales to begin with and gradually developing disc



RON WHITE (above left), president of the Music Publishers Association, receives the 1981 Silver Clef Award presented by Johnny Beerling of receives the 1981 Silver Clef Award presented by Johnny Beerling of BBC Radio on behalf of the Nordoff-Robbins Music Therapy Centre on the occasion of the MPA's centenary and in recognition of the association's "outstanding support" for the Music Therapy charity. The presentation took place at a centenary reception hosted by the MCPS at the Banqueting Hall,

Stones LP imminent

THE NEW Rolling Stones studio album, Rolling Stones Tattoo You (CUNS 39114, distribution EMI), is set for simultaneous worldwide release on August 31. The LP features 11 new
Jagger/Richard compositions
and one track, Slave, features
Pete Townshend on backing and one track, Slave, features Pete Townshend on backing guitar and vocals. There have been unconfirmed reports that the Stones will be touring in the

Capital revives Jazz Festival at new site

CAPITAL RADIO has managed to salvage part of its Jazz Festival, due to be staged last weekend and next weekend on London's Clapham Common and

The whole programme for July 25 and 26 has been moved to Knebworth, The whole programme for July 25 and 26 has been moved to Knebworth, Hertfordshire, where the London commercial station staged a Beach Boys concert last year. Among the artists appearing over the weekend will be Ella Fitzgerald, Sarah Vaughan and Chuck Berry.

Capital's managing director John Whitney says: "It provides a golden opportunity to record some first class programming material which will be heard up and down Britain on Independent Local Radio stations."

Last year's festival had to be cancelled following a fire at the Alexandra Palace years and affect this year's generalising Whitesperid the the feturadra

Palace venue and after this year's cancellation Whitney said that the future of the annual event was in doubt.

Industry stunned

high to cover administration costs;

 It would be unfair on tape users who don't tape music; · Some income from a levy would

● Some income from a levy would go abroad;
● And it would increase prices which would be "counter to Government policies aimed at controlling inflation".

Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Reginald Eyre added: "The Government has not received convincing evidence that a levy would be an acceptable solution."

This rejection of the levy solution to the home-taping problem, which

to the home-taping problem, which it has been fighting for since the Whitford Committee on copyright reform recommended it in 1977, brought this apoplectic reaction from the BPI: "The future of the UK record industry is in serious icensedy." jeopardy.

Its statement went on: "The enjoyment of pre-recorded music by many millions of people in this country, and the livelihood of thousands of musicians and other creative people who work in the UK

record industry, are seriously threatened following the Government's failure to take

Government's failure to take positive action on the illegal practice of home-taping."

By contrast, the reaction of the Tape Manufacturers' Group, which represents six major blank tape makers in the UK, was one of restrained satisfaction: "News that the Government does not support the case for a levy has been welcomed by the Tape Manufacturing Group," said its statement.

And spokesman Jim Dulgar, general manager of Memorex in the UK, added: "The Green Paper acknowledges the impact of modern technology on copyright laws and endorses the view that a levy is not a practical solution to the problem."

Neither the BPI nor the TMG bothered to comment on the Green Paper's only crumb of comfort for the record industry — that if raper's only crumb of comfort for the record industry — that if someone comes up with a workable spoiler system to prevent home-taping then it will bring in legislation to make anti-spoiler devices illegal in the knowledge that the chances of inventing such a spoiler seem to be unlikely.

Fuller reports in pages 6 and 8.

FROM PAGE 1

Stiff live LP

STIFF RECORDS is finally releasing the album, Start Swimming, recorded at London's Rainbow Theatre in Finsbury Park

in February this year.

The album features five of New York's upcoming bands — Bush Tetras, Fleshtones, The Bongos, Raybeats and The dB's.

Start Swimming is being released simultaneously by Stiff Records in the UK and by its US counterpart Stiff America on July 24. It should not, says Stiff, cost more than £3.99, pointing out that that's less than 80p

RCA classical 45

A CLASSICAL equivalent of the successful CBS Stars On 45 singles has been released by RCA (RCA

features Philharmonic Orchestra, and called Hooked On Classics.

PRS subject of Labour debate

THE PRS is the subject of a motion put down for the Labour Party annual conference at Brighton in September. The National Union of Labour & Socialist Clubs is demanding that conference urges Parliamentary Labour Party to work to repeal the Acts of Parliament concerning the Parliament concerning the Performing Right Society, and thus ensure a more adequate system of remuneration for composers and others who benefit from the Acts."

Airplay frequency

DEXY'S MIDNIGHT RUNNERS: Show Me STAR SOUND: Stars On 45 KATE BUSH: Sat In Your 20 (13) Lap SPECIALS: Ghost Town ABBA: Lay All Your Love On Me SPANDAU BALLET: Chant

No. 1 SQUEEZE: Tempted TOM TOM CLUB: Wordy Rapping Hood BAD MANNERS: Can Can BILL WYMAN: SI SI Je Suis Un Bock Star.

Un Rock Star
DEPECHE MODE: New Life
JACKSONS: Walk Right
Now
VISAGE: Visage
JOE JACKSON: Jumpln'

DEPARTMENT S: Going 11 (15)

Left Right
IMAGINATION: Body Talk
KIM WILDE: Water On Glass RANDY CRAWFORD: You Might Need Somebody STEVIE WONDER: Happy 11

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Gold
QUINCY JONES:
Razzamatazz
REO SPEEDWAGON: Take 10 (10)

It On The Run SHAKIN' STEVENS: Green Door ANY TROUBLE: The Trouble With Love DARTS: Jump Children (11)

Jump JUICE NEWTON: Queen Of Hearts SHEENA EASTON: For Your Eyes Only

Eyes Only
THIRD WORLD: Dancing
On The Floor
VAPORS: Jimmy Jones
BOB MARLEY & THE
WALLERS: No Woman No (12)

Cry
ELECTRIC LIGHT
ORCHESTRA: Hold On

(10)

Tight
EVELYN KING: I'm in Love
EDDY GRANT: I Love You
Yes I Love You
KEYS: I Don't Wanns Cry
MATCHBOX: Love's Made
A Fool Of You
MICHAEL JACKSON: One
Day In Your Life
ROYAL PHILHARMONIC
ORCHESTRA: Hooked On
Classics

SANTANA: Changes SAXON: Never Surrender CARL CARLTON: She's A Bad Mama Jama DOMINO EFFECT: La Dolce DOMINO EFFECT: La Dolce
Vita
KINKS: Better Things
OAKRIDGE BOYS: Elvira
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WEDDING: Lawn Chairs
RAINBOW: Can't Happen (10) Here BUCKS FIZZ: Piece Of The

Action KIM CARNES: Draw Of The MECHANICS: Power Of POINTER SISTERS: Slow

Hand
NINE BELOW ZERO: Helen
TENPOLE TUDOR

Wunderbar ANEKA: Japanese Boy DAVE EDMUNDS/STRAY CATS: The Race is On GARY GLITTER: When I'm On I'm On GARY US BONDS: Jolle (-)

Blanc JANE KENNAWAY: Year 2000 JIM STEINMAN: Rock 'n' Roll Dreams Come True LOVER BOY: Turn Me

LOVER BOY: Turn Me Loose KID CREOLE & THE COCONUTS: Me No Pop I KIKI DEE: Midnight Flyer LINX: Throw Away The Key MARTHA LADLY: Finlandia ODYSSEY: Golng Back To My Roots RICK SPRINGFIELD:

Jessie's Girl SARAH BRIGHTMAN: My

Boyfriend's Back SMALL ADS: H.P. Man SOFT CELL: Tainted Love TOM PETTY & THE HEARTBREAKERS: Woman

In Love 999: Little Red Riding Hood UNDERTONES: Julie Ocean TOYS: I Know Better U2: Fire

Figures denote actual logged plays in the Monday-Sunday period preceding publication (7am to midnight weekdays, 7am-7.30pm Saturday, 8am-7pm Sunday). Previous week's plays in brackets. Compiled by Sham Tracking (01 290 0129).

News in brief..

THE FULL ITV network will be screening the movie Saturday Night Fever at 7.30pm on July 29 after the Royal Wedding. The soundtrack album, which to date has sold over one million units in the UK, is still available from RSO, catalogue number 2658 123 (cassette: 3517 014).

DAVID DUNDAS, the jingle writer formerly represented by Mothers And Masters, has set up his own jingle company based at 26 Berwick Street, London W1 (tel: 01-434 3601). Current Dundas jingles include those for Our Price, Brutus, British Lamb, C&A and Kestrel Lager.

VIRGIN IS following up The Human League's recent Sound Of The Crowd

single with a specially extended 12 inch single retailing at £1.49.

Love Action/Hard Times, also comes in a seven inch version. The 12 inch features extended versions of both sides from the single on the A side, while producer Martin Rushent has done a dub mix of the same songs on the flip side, creating a total playing time of more than 21 minutes.

VIRGIN IS compiling a series of reggae albums featuring artists in the

vanguard of the Virgin/Front Line releases during the late Seventies.

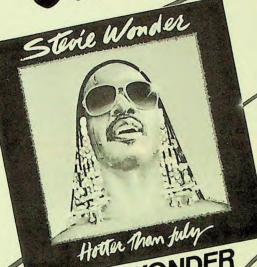
The first two, from Linton Kwesi Johnson and Culture, are set for July 24 release and will be followed on August 7 by three more from The Mighty Diamonds, The Gladiators and Black Uhuru. LPs from Culture, Mighty Diamonds and Gladiators will have the title Vital Selection, and have been compiled by reggae writer Scotty Bennett.

A FILM, art, music and amusement centre in London is being opened by Zigzag magazine, in "a centrally-located Thirties Radio City type 1,000 seater cinema playhouse", as the Zigzag Club. Opening date for this members and friends only club will be announced shortly, and it is expected to be a regular years for payment.

JOHN MILES, recently signed to EMI UK, releases his first single on the label on July 20, entitled Turn Yourself Loose (EMI 5123) and taken from an album, Miles High (EMC 3374), scheduled for release on August 10.



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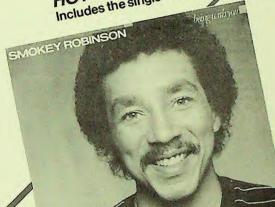
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NEWS EXTRA



Reform of the Law relating to Copyright, Designs and Performers' Protection

THE GREEN Paper on copyright reform ranged over a variety of subjects of interest to the music industry in addition to the burning issue of home-taping. In this and the following page, MW's Rodney Burbeck, Nigel Hunter and David Dalton report some of the more important music-related topics.

The case against the levy

THE CHAPTER on home-taping in the Government's Green Paper on Copyright reform takes up a mere six pages of the 60-page document, but its effect has been a sledgehammer blow to the recording industry

What has been most galling to the industry is that while the paper accepts that the problem exists, that the practise of home-taping is illegal and that it is causing the music industry millions of pounds of lost sales, it refuses to accept that a levy is the answer.

Introducing the Green Paper, Reginald Eyre, parliamentary undersecretary of state at the department of trade, said: "There is no doubt that records are frequently no doubt that records are frequently and no doubt the record industry loses sales as a result. But the true extent of these lost sales is unknown, in

"The Government has not received convincing evidence that a levy would be an acceptable

solution."

The paper has its origins in the report of the Whitford Committee on copyright law, published in March 1977 which recommended a levy on cassette hardware.

The civil servants who prepared

the paper have included statistics taken from the BPI's 1979 breakdown of the cost of a full-price pop LP, BPI/MCPS 1977 statistics which estimated that 25m LP sales

which estimated that 25m LP sales were being lost through home-taping, and BMRB estimates of the proportion of the adult population with access to a tape recorder.

Using these figures the paper estimates that the loss through home-taping is £50m a year and goes on: "Assuming that this were to all fall on blank cassettes, assuming sales of 35m blank cassettes per year and assuming that the same levy is and assuming that the same levy is applied to all cassettes irrespective of their running time, then the levy per cassette would be about £1.40.

"Such a levy would more than double the cost of a medium grade C90. Alternatively, some or all of a

levy could fall on equipment. If it is assumed that about 3m recorders are assumed that about 3m recorders as sold per year, £50m could be realised by say a £10 average levy on each machine, together with 60p on each blank cassette. It could also be realised by a levy of around £17 on recording equipment alone."

The paper goes on to question whether all of the record industry's lost sales are due to home-taping, naming increasing VAT rates, varying levels in disposable income and varying popularity of music, and adds: "It is evident that the sales lost as a direct consequence of private copying cannot be precisely quantified."

It goes on: "It must be faced that the increase in prices resulting from the imposition of a levy would fall on very many consumers and runs counter to Government policies aimed at controlling inflation in this country."

The paper also airs concern that part of the amount raised by a levy would inevitably go abroad with little in the way of compensatory inflow, and it is also concerned that a levy would be unfair on some tape users such as in education, welfare and blind people, who do not record

If a levy is imposed it follows that an element of rough justice will have to be accepted unless, as seems unlikely, some rebate scheme can be worked out which can be operated at small cost and which will enable genuine claimants to be distinguished from the rest."

If a levy was to be put on blank tapes, says the paper, it would need to be a high percentage of the sales price and it could be envisaged that some unscrupious dealers could some unscrupious dealers could circumvent the levy by selling tapes having "trivia" recorded on them, or non-levy tapes could be bought by mail order from abroad.

"If a levy is introduced it will almost certainly need to be administered by a statutory body," adds the paper.

"Unless the levy is set at an unacceptably high rate, it is possible, therefore, that the net compensation available for distribution might well be minimal."

The paper's conclusion on home recording is doom-laden: "At the end of the day it may have to be accepted that there is, in fact, no acceptable solution."

Government backs the spoiler solution

ONE OF the few crumbs of comfort contained in the Green Paper is the assurance by the Government that if the music industry can invent a spoiler system to prevent home-taping it will make it illegal to use an

anti-spoiler device.

But such a spoiler has yet to be invented, and the BPI's press statement on the paper did not even bother to acknowledge this element

of the report. Several ye of the report.

Several years ago the BPI commissioned a research programme at Southampton University but boffins there were unable to find a system which could build a spoiler tone into a record which could not also be discerned by the human ear when played back through good hi fi.

"What we want is something just

"What we want is something just outside audio range but within

dubbing range," said Monty Presky, co-chairman of the BPI's technical committee last week.

Presky's co-chairman Gerry Bron has been independently pursuing the idea of a spoiler and has technicians working on finding a solution, but he said last week that he is "still experimenting". The Tape Manufacturers' Group

press statement also side-stepped the spoiler issue but its spokesman Jim Dulgar of Memorex agreed that if a spoiler was to be invented the Government's promises to make an antispoiler device illegal would be devastating for the blank tape

But he added with justifiable confidence: "First they have to find one. Also, there are millions of records already on the market which do not contain a spoiler."

'No harm' in video taping

THE GREEN Paper says the Government is not convinced that video recording for private purposes harms the interests of broadcasters producers of programmes, film producers or any other rights owners

involved in video productions.

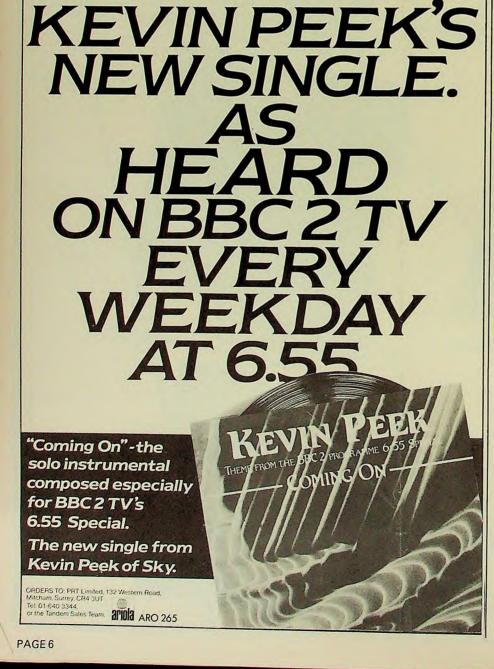
"Video copying is a relatively new problem," it says, "but the evidence so far available suggests that it may

not be analogous to audio copying."

Most people use videos for time

shift purposes, it says, or to play back pre-recorded tapes which they cannot copy. But it acknowledges that the future may bring cheaper tapes and inexpensive machines which will enable home copying of commercial pre-recorded video tapes





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Stiff penalties for pirates

THE GREEN Paper has some good news for the music industry — notably in the area of pirated material where the Government proposes to stiffen the penalties and to make a new criminal offence of possession of an infringing copy in the course to trade

This means that retailers could face prosecution for unwittingly stocking pirated albums or videos. But the Government rejects a Whitford proposal that it should be up to the trader to prove he did not know he was dealing in pirated material rather than on the prosecution to prove that he did.

"It would be unreasonable to

"It would be unreasonable to expect an honest trader, who may well deal in many different product, to prove that he did not know that a particular product was made in infringement of copyrights," says the Paper.

It also proposes that present

It also proposes that present import restrictions on books and published musical works which infringe copyright should be extended to pirate records and films.

Paper backs Whitford Report on diffusion rights

IN RELATION to broadcasting, the Government agrees with the Whitford Report that no major changes in copyright legislation are necessary, but it appears that the Green Paper proposes that record makers, as well as the BBC and the IBA, should have a diffusion right.

Diffusion covers the operations of cable networks and the Green Paper says: "As the BBC and IBA and record producers presently have no right to control the diffusion of their works, cable operators may diffuse any copyright material free of all royalties, other than in respect of programmes they themselves originate and programmes originated by foreign broadcasting organisations."

Aiming to change this, the Paper says: "The Government accepts Whitford's recommendation that a right to control diffusion should also be provided for the broadcasting organisations and for the makers of sound recordings."

The record industry sought this right at the time of the Whitford Report.

Report.

One broadcasting subject the Paper says needs consideration is the relationship of copyright to satellite broadcasting and, looking to the future, suggests "the legal protection afforded to the owners of copyright in material which is broadcast as well as the protection

given to the broadcasters themselves should therefore also apply to direct broadcasting satellite programmes?.

Direct satellite programmes".

Direct satellite broadcasts are deemed to take place in two "legs" and protection for authors of musical works and makers of sound recordings covering both legs is anticipated in the Paper.

The effect of protection for the

The effect of protection for the first leg of transmissions would be to give them control over the input of their works to a satellite. In relation to the second leg, "the fact that it is broadcasters will have the right to prevent others from recording the broadcasts", and copyright holders will have their usual rights in the broadcasts.

At the moment, under a proviso in the 1956 Act, the diffusion of broadcast of other programmes as an incidental service in hotels, flats or other premises where people reside or sleep is allowed without restriction.

Considering that "the free diffusion of BBC and IBA programmes is already allowed", the Green Paper suggests that royalties should be paid "if the diffusion is of other works, and is of a scale and in conditions which could justifiably rank as public". Whitford therefore recommended abolition of this proviso and the Government agrees with this.

Tighter controls on photocopying mooted

ON PHOTOCOPYING, the Paper draws attention to the fact that the advent of modern photocopiers has greatly increased both the amount of copying done and the difficulty in policing it.

The Paper proposes that controls

The Paper proposes that controls should be tightened on abuses of the freedom currently existing under present law to make copies of copyright works for research and private study.

Under these proposals, the making of multiple copies and the making of copies for commercial research would be banned unless the copyright owner's consent was obtained.

Apart from these changes, the Government considers that the present freedom of students to take photocopies for their studies should not be removed. The existing law provides a suitable framework within which copyright owners can co-operate to negotiate blanket licensing schemes with users as a practical way of controlling the photocopying of copyright works.

A Music Publishers Association spokesman told *MW* that the association was "reasonably happy" on the Green Paper's photocopying content.

The MPA has brought successful actions through individual members against a local authority and a public school on unauthorised photocopying of printed music.

No need for stat licence

THE GREEN Paper proposes the abolition of the Statutory Recording Licence for musical works — although it acknowledges that the industry is happy with the way it works, and indeed the Whitford Report recommended that it should be retained.

The Paper, however, says that the Government is not entirely convinced of the need for the system under present conditions.

"It was introduced in 1911 when the British record industry was in its infancy," it says. "Since then the need for this system has changed daramatically and it seems difficult to accept that, in this single area of copyright, it is now really necessary to provide a derogation from the exclusive rights of composers and music nublishers.

"As the Government views the situation, it is probable that the recording of music would be better left to the operation of the competitive forces in the market, as is the case in all other areas of copyright."

Hotels should pay

THE PAPER highlights the fact that record producers get nothing when their records are played for residents in hotels, holiday camps etc, for certain non-profit making social service activities, or for public performance through the reception of BBC or IRA broadcasts.

of BBC or IBA broadcasts.

It proposes that record producers should be entitled to seek payment if their records are played by hotels and holiday camps for the benefit of residents. Non-profit making charitable, religious, educational or social welfare organisations should, however, retain their present freedom to play records.

freedom to play records.

The Government accepts the Whitford recommendation for a Copyright Tribunal of broader scope than the existing Performing Right Tribunal, but is concerned at the cost of the tribunal to the taxpayer. It states that "more realistic fees" will have to be charged, and it will be desirable "to streamline its procedures".





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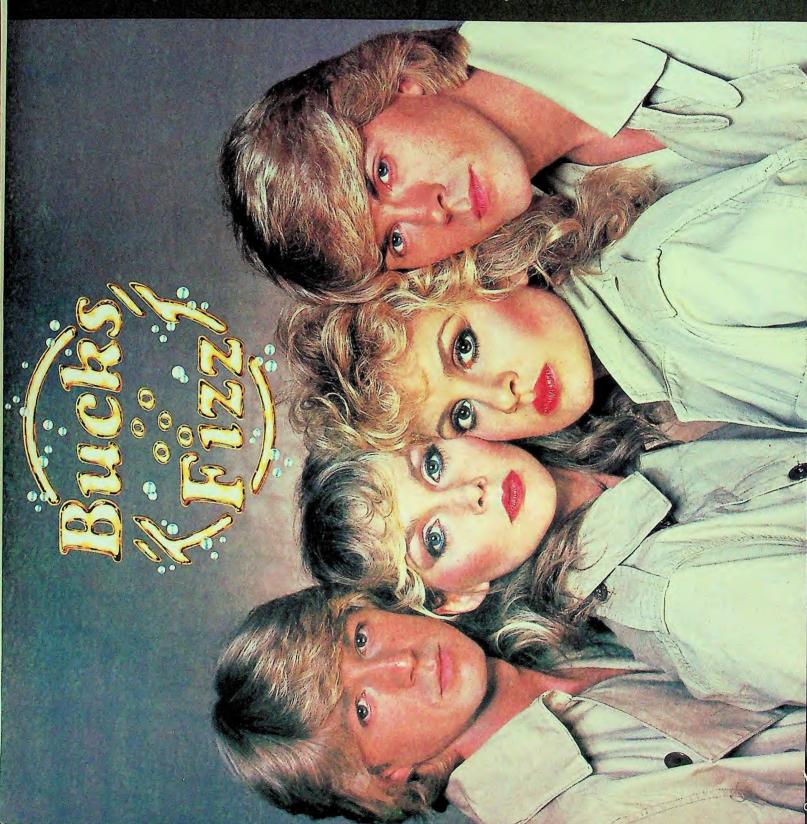
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TROUBLES AWAY

in sifts replies

THE PROCESS of sorting through the hundreds of written and telephone responses to Virgin's offer of partnership to indie dealers is now going on. Virgin Retail chairman Steve Mandy has prepared a standard letter giving details of the Virgin proposals "so that we can sort out who we need to talk to." He is hoping to start the actual talking in about three weeks.

"A pattern is emerging," he told MW. "The geographical spread is pretty good and fairly even, and the businesses are single-shop family businesses, or very small, privately

owned, chains.

'It's quite exciting. They will benefit from our whole corporate

package.
"Judging by the people that I have personally spoken to so far their interest is split 50-50 for and against wanting to look like a Virgin shop and be a full partner. It is the interest in partnership which is the most encouraging thing about this. A buying consortium idea is not something which interests me. Our way, they get a franchising benefit, and we get the benefit of having committed partners."

Indicating the way the ultimately very businesslike selection of prospective partners will be made,

CRD distribution

CRD records and tapes are no longer available from PolyGram and dealers should now order from Unicorn Records, Manor House, Markfield, Leicestershire. Tel: (05305) 3138.

Mandy added: "We are not interested in propping up people who are on the way out."

Competition for trained, knowledgeable staff in the record trade is so high that Virgin is also looking forward to againing looking forward to gaining experienced, committed, stable staff — and potential managers— within

a greatly expanded chain.

Mandy likens the Virgin plan to that followed by the grocery trade when it was threatened by supermarkets and the SPAR group

grew up.
"Where we can see the foundation
which could be of a business which could be

the benefit of our organisation, we will be asking them for details, and giving them details about ourselves. Obviously, we guarantee that the details will be destroyed if the negotiations do not progress — we have not set this up as a cheap trick nave not set this up as a cheap trick to get information about our competitors (we can get that elsewhere any time we want). And when we start talking seriously with anyone we will be giving away some detailed information on Virgin which we would only want to give to people we feel we can trust and respect."



RISKING RHEUMATISM, or even the ability to pass on the family name, the three delighted winners of the Chrysalis/Our Price Iceblock contest pose with their prize outside the Charing Cross Road, London, branch. A promo stunt for the recently-signed Australian band Icehouse asked for blocks of ice, and these three young chefs from the House of Commons kitchen turned in one which measured 2ft × 3ft. With the music centre came tickets for the band's forthcoming gigs at The Venue in London. A comment on our MPs' capacity for refreshment, if not for thought, is the fact that the chefs made their prizewinner in the giant cold beer and wine fridge at The House.

BROADCASTING

Edited DAVID DALTON

Two more **ILR** stations ready to go

AS THE Independent Local Radio network continues to expand NorthSound will go on air in Aberdeen from July 27 and Radio Wyvern has been awarded the Hereford/Worcester franchise.

Wyvern, one of two groups to apply, is chaired by local farmer Sir John Cotterell and broadcasters in the franchise group include former BBC local and national radio presenter John Murfin and freelance broadcaster Rob Yarnold.

North Stand (North of Scotland

NorthSound (North of Scotland Radio), the successful franchise applicant for the Aberdeen area, goes on air at 6am on July 27 and will broadcast from 6am to 8pm

daily.

It will be the 27th ILR station to open and the eighth of those approved by the Home Secretary in October, 1978.

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Managing director of NorthSound is William Aitkenhead, with 17 years in broadwards.

in broadcasting.



RECORDS WITH a pedigree are Robert Parker's speciality on LBC and in his Vintage Corner spot last Thursday he gave what he believed was the world radio premiere of a 16 inch shellac disc of part of the soundtrack to the 1928 Vitaphone talking picture, The Singing Fool, starring Al Jolson.

LWT focuses on music business

PROGRAMME TWO in the third series of London Weekend Television's Twentieth Century Box, which is focusing on music, concentrates on the record industry. The programme, on July 26, looks

at the new structure which it believes has formed in the record industry, with hard-hit majors and apparently successful alternative independent

labels co-existing.

It suggests that the indies have evolved a strategy for breaking into the top 10, a field where the majors were previously relatively safe, and asks the question: "Can the major companies re-organise themselves into a sensible arrangement with the new generation of independents, or permanently?"

Among

Among those interviewed in the programme are Dave Robinson of Stiff, John Craig of Safari, Tom

McDonnell of Spartan Distribution and Trevor Dann of Radio One.

Day joins Guildford franchise contenders

CAPITAL RADIO'S recently departed programme controller Aidan Day has joined the board of directors of The County Sound, a franchise group aiming for the Guildford, Surrey, ILR contract to be advertising probably later this

Day left Capital last month to set up his own radio production company, ADE, and this work will not be affected by the new appointment.

He comments: "I regard The County Sound's franchise area as something altogether fresh, requiring a totally new outlook from that of Capital Radio."

Concept LP marks milestone for Cleo

recording career, Cleo Laine has recorded a concept album. And it is a double first in that the LP, One More Day, is the first that she has recorded for an independent label, (Sepia distribution Records, Spartan).

The album is the creation of Darryl Runswick and Kerry Crabbe, who originally tendered three songs

for the project when it was mooted. Runswick says: "Cleo was interested in doing an album with the theme of a woman's life, and several songwriters were asked if they would submit material. In fact, she had a previous attempt at recording such an album, I Am A Song, for RCA, which was a history of popular music, but it didn't work

Runswick has been Laine's bass

her on all her world tours. Together with Crabbe he has his own publishing company, Dazzle Music, although the songs featured on One More Day have all been published by the Dankworths' own music publishing company, Key Music which goes through Essex Music.

Their material for the LP was written "long distance". While Runswick was accompanying Laine on several Australian and New Zealand concerts, he was receiving Crabbe's lyrics from London over the telex — and writing the music.

Previously, Runswick has written songs for the King's Singers, Dana and Swingle II. He has also composed several classical pieces, and for television, he and Crabbe penned the theme tune for the BBC TV series, Maybury, which is available on BBC Records, and also the theme for the BBC 2 series, We The Accused.



DARRYL RUNSWICK

Shaw to leave **WB Music**

FRANK SHAW, director of Warner Brothers Music, is leaving the company with effect from August

Shaw, in charge of administration similar nuts-and-bolts functions, has been with WB Music since its inception in the UK in 1969. His home telephone number is 0276

Microfiche music catalogue ready

THE MICROFICHE Catalogue of Printed Music has now been completed, and is available for order, according to an announcement by the Music Publishers Association.

The catalogue, produced with the assistance of the Mechanical Copyright Protection Society computer staff, is available through the MPA which has copies of its promotional brochure and order forms available on application. Special terms are open to MPA members for sets of fiche and the microfiche readers, and applications microfiche readers, and applications should be made in writing.

Coinciding with the debut of the Microfiche Catalogue is a new edition of the MPA Distributors'

helping us to get the necessary clearances."

The cassette is already being handled by Stage One, Home Video, Lightning and Starcurve and orders have been received from Germany, says Martin.

The price to wholesalers is £12 per cassette for orders in excess of 50 units, in VHS or Beta formats, and Martin expects it to retail at between £22 and £28. Questionmark has placed no restrictions on rental.

This first title is available from the end of July and a second is already planned for October, with Classix Nouveaux, Shock and 999 already

market/EPC releases The Glittering Productions 4 • Pull-out chart 6.

BOTB boosts Midem '82 joint venture grants

THE BRITISH Overseas Trade Board has made an improved offer to the Music Publishers Association for joint venture support at Midem which will take place Cannes from January 22 to 27 next

Grant support for MPA exhibitors taking a four-unit stand (14.4 square metres) is being raised to 12,850 francs (£1,277 at current exchange rate) plus TVA, and for a three-unit stand to 9,200 francs (£848) plus TVA, representing what the MPA terms as "substantial increases" above this year's level of

Government support at Midem...
MPA members who normally exhibit at Midem will be charged next year for participation fees by the BOTB on the scale of £162 for a four-unit stand for a first participation, and £216 for a second or third participation. The rates for a three-unit stand are £108 and £144

The MPA has negotiated a reduction in the stand price per unit, which will be 3,545 francs (£327) per unit instead of 3,650 francs (£336), providing contracts are signed with the Midem organisation before

October 15.

Despite this year's abortive attempt, another effort is being made to organise a joint stand next year for the benefit of smaller MPA members. The MPA is hoping to arrange with Midem financial terms favourable enough to attract small publishing companies, which would otherwise attend on a walkabout

Shashoua has reached arrangement with Pan Am whereby Musexpo registrants can book a return air fare between Heathrow and Fort Lauderdale for \$455 (£242 at present exchange rate), said to be a 20 per cent reduction on the normal price.

Nick Firth appointed president of Chappell International

NICK FIRTH, executive VP of Chappell International, has been promoted to president of the company with effect from July 1. He will continue to serve as

Firth, 38, began his 20-year-old association with Chappell in 1962 as a LEP IUILIEI trainee in London. Two years later, he became general manager and subsequently director of Acuff Rose Music, and in 1968 took up the position of international manager of Chappell Inc. and manager of Intersong USA in New

York.

He returned to London in 1973 to set up Chappell International, and was appointed senior VP and GM in 1979, assuming his executive VP status the following year.

Gibsong victories for Welch

ED WELCH scored several triumphs in the recent Gibraltar Song Contest (Gibsong 1981).

His song Giving It All Away, written with EMI MOR A&R man Bob Barratt, won the first prize worth £2,000, performed by Hollywood, a duo comprising Chris and Lynda Kelly.

Welch also took second place with co-writer Barry Mason in the shape of For The First Time In My Life, sung by Chris Kelly, and with a prize of £500. And Welch topped the categories of best arrangement, best UK entry, and best instrumental, a composition called Pastoral.

The third prize went to Mike Redway, composer and singer of Heaven Only Knows.

US labels boss seeks European distribution

American record labels.

Kinman's music base, the Fourty Kinman's music base, the Equity Recording Company, includes an in-house publishing company (Emeryville Associated Publishing), a major Nashville recording studio (Quadrafonic Studio) and two labels, Robox for pop product and Tanglewood for country. All are uncommitted in Europe uncommitted in Europe.

Off-setting the cost of Equity's

operating expenses is a budget that comes from an independent network of non-participating financial backers who invest in the company's albums, singles and related ventures.

"The purchase of the studio has helped us ensure quality product and to stretch our production budgets," says Kınman, "George William 'Bud' Reneau is our primary producer. He has an enviable track record as a writer and has produced hundreds of sessions for leading publishers and artists. We generally work together on the selection of our "The goal of the company is to break unknown artists or artists making a comeback. The problem with breaking unknowns is the same as introducing new consumer product: bucking the strong predisposition on the part of the consumer to purchase a 'brand

Kinman has backed up his early releases through video, massive advertising, continuous PR, gigs, TV appearances and cable TV exposure. One artist, Ziggurat has been picked by Cashbox, Record World and the Gavin Report as having hit potential. Others on the roster include Dennis Yost, Grinder Switch, Butch Carr, Tommy Johnson, Charnissa, and Robin Kinman has backed up his early Switch, Butch Carr, Tommy Johnson, Charnissa and Robin

With a viable package and determination, Kinman is now ready to negotiate with interested European distributors.

CONTACT: Kirby Kinman, Equity Recording Company, Inc., 2215 Perimeter Park, Suite 21, Atlanta, Ga. 30341. US: (404) 945 3618.

Italian opportunity

A BUNDLE of very listenable records have reached Tipsheet from Adelfo Forni of Milan based CGD-MM label who is now interested in securing UK distribution for his releases.

securing UK distribution for his releases.

"Our catalogue is free, at the moment, except for Victors which is out on RCA in the UK", says Forni. Since January, CGD-MM has been recording albums and singles in English along with their Italian productions. They include Give Me by Range, Miss Manhattan by Metropole, To Earth with Love by Terry Brooks and Rockets' Plasteroid and Galaxy LPs. We listened to these and their latest Italian offerings. (Gianni's Success Italiani and Mixo's Greatest Hits)

and were most impressed.

Contact: Adelfo Forni, CGD DISCHI, International Licensing & Promotion Department, via M. F. Quintaliano 40, 20138 Milano, Italy. Tel: (02) 5084.

Intro wanted for ERA 101

ERA 101 is an East End electronic five piece band anxious to be heard and get signed to a record label and

active publisher.

To demonstrate their talents for A&R people who cannot make it to Southend College, Scamps or Zero 6 (their regular gigs), the band has put (their regular gigs), the band has put together a demo tape of their self-penned numbers. Their music, like Gary Numan's should appeal to a specialised audience, the lyrics are interesting and the band is strong visually. Their most recent addition is former Orchestral Manoeuvres In The Darkman on bass The Darkman on bass.

Manager Mike Pantland would be most delighted to supply gig dates and tapes to anyone interested.

CONTACT him at 141 Eastwood Road North, Leigh on Sea, Essex. Tel: 0702 529360.

Discom reminder

IT'S'TIME to reserve now for the IT's'TIME to reserve now for the and Discom, Discotheque and Entertainment International Exposition being held from October 26 to 29 at the Parc Des Expositions at the Porte de Versailles, Paris. Twelve thousand professionals in the related music industries are expected and the organisers ask that anyone interested should contact the Commissariat General, 179 Avenue Victor Hugo, 75116 Paris, France.

Positive band open to offers

IF LIKE Music & Video Week, you have been hearing about and receiving promotional snippets from Positive Management about a band called Talk Like That, we can reveal they are a good looking five-piece band similar to Kevin Coyne and John Cooper Clark who are looking for recording and publishing deeds.

To catch them in their local environment, playing all their own material, they will be at The Brewers pub, Clapham (near the tube) at 21.15, this Saturday (July 25) or contact Steve Hutchins at Positive Management, 17 Station Road, London SE25, (01) 771 5778.

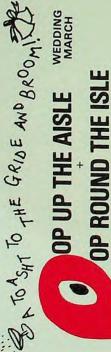
Single available for covers

SINGER/SONGWRITER John Coleman's single out, Gimme A Break, is picking up airplay, but he is most keen to get his songs covered and make a suitable publishing deal.

His release, out in June on Edinburgh's REL Records studio label (distributed by Pinnacle Records), is just one on a demo tape of eight. Artists/producers/publishers interested in listening to his songs contact John Coleman, 24 Dunalastair Drive, Stepps, Glasgow.







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VIDEOEXT

RECORD MERCHANDISERS is the latest heavyweight to announce a video rental scheme and reckons it has come up with a simple standard approach which will be readily adopted by many multiple outlets and individual retailers.

The proud boast on the company's promotional video is that "Record Merchandisers takes the risk out of merchandising records and tapes, and now video". The short video is presented in calm, reassuring tones by Michael Rodd of TV's Tomorrow's World who suggests that the video retailer is currently suffering from fragmented. currently suffering from fragmented supply, a problem Record Merchandisers puts up a good case

Retailer's needs

The promotional video was made earlier this year for the May launch of the company's video cassette sales operation and the rental scheme is set to go from August 1.

'A company with a reputation such as ours has got to get it right at the start," says managing director Hassan Akhtar. "It is a question of timing and we have waited until the market is ready for an operation like ours, although we started to get serious about video more than nine months ago when we brought in Kingsley Grimble from Boots."

Akhtar feels that current rental schemes are too supplier-orientated and do not take the retailer's needs sufficiently into account.

"We asked the question 'what does the retailer want?', putting his interests foremost when devising our

package," says Akhtar.
"Although other schemes have a and throw a lot of paperwork on to the poor retailer. People in the video business come from many backgrounds and don't understand the retail market the way we do."

Extending its racking principles to video rental, Record Merchandisers is supplying rental packages of 100 units per store and rental stock will remain totally separate from cassettes for sale

settes for sale.

The initial packs will be standard to each store, containing 50 VHS and 50 Beta cassettes including titles from CIC, Thorn EMI and VCL among other companies.

"We are proposing to retailers that they form a video club but do not keep rental facilities exclusive to

Record heavyweight moves in with new video rental scheme



RECORD MERCHANDISERS MD Hassan Akhtar: "A company with a reputation such as ours has got to get it right at the start."

members," says buying controller Grimble.

"Members will get a better discount but we would prefer not to exclude non-members because there are still many impulse decisions made which can lead to future

The rental club will be branded by store so that for instance Littlewoods, one of the participat-ing multiples, would operate the Littlewoods Video Club.

Membership — set at £25 — is payable to Record Merchandisers who retain ownership of the stock. who retain ownership of the stock. Rental charges to the public are set at £2.50 for up to 24 hours for members (£3 for non-members), £4.50 for up to three days (£5 for non-members), and £6.25 for up to a week (£7 for non-members).

Non-members will have to pay an non-memoers will have to pay an additional £30 deposit on each tape rented and members will be encouraged to take out only one tape at a time, otherwise there will be a £30 deposit on each additional title.

business as the record industry's rack jobbers, supplying records to non-traditional multiple outlets, such as department stores and supermarkets.

Regarding it as a natural extension of its business to move into video, which it did in May this year, Record Merchandisers is now pushing this product line very hard, extending its racking principles to video rental.

DAVID DALTON found out more about Record Merchandisers' plans by talking to managing director Hassan Akhtar and buying controller Kingsley Grimble.

product is sold to the retailer," says Akhtar. "I don't think that's right and it's difficult to police. That's why we don't sell our product for rental and we are able to police the

scheme by a rep visiting the store twice a week to re-stock, give advice

and display material and generally keep the unit tidy. "We like the idea of the CIC

scheme, with its once and for all payment, but the main problem with

the forthcoming Warner scheme is that it's not possible to buy the title

being rented. It's like whetting the

Akhtar feels that joint ad

customer's appetite satisfying it."

"A reasonable percentage of the rental," says Grimble. "We believe it is a margin equivalent to that on other products."

After so many hirings the tape will go back to Record Merchandisers who will not re-cycle the used product through the retail trade. Slow and used titles will be offered direct to club members direct to club members.

Healthy turnover

Akhtar comments: "It is in our interests to create a healthy turnover for the retailer. Although the retailer makes no investment in stock he does make an investment in terms of

space and staff and we realise that."

Each transaction will be monitored, with a copy of the rental document going back to Record Merchandisers for the payment of

royalties, invoicing and so on.

Akhtar reckons his company's scheme is more straightforward than

campaigns with stores are "bound to come" although he is prepared for his company's effort this autumn to be carried along in the wake of the manufacturers' own campaigns aimed at the public.

Although he feels rental will form a very significant part of the future.

a very significant part of the future video market, Akhtar does not go along with the forecasts of 90 per cent rental being proposed in some

Orderly growth

"It will be 70 per cent rental to 30 per cent sales at the most," he predicts and adds: "Even stores starting out with rental-only schemes

starting out with rental-only schemes have moved into sales as well.

"Video sales have been very encouraging in the short time we have been offering cassettes but we have been selective, preferring orderly growth.

"We account for 15 per cent of the reaction market, and that is

"We account for 15 per cent of the record market, and that is growing, so we would obviously like to capture that sort of percentage of video sales. In the medium term, though, we are realistically aiming for five per cent."

Although video orders are treated separately and the stock takes up separate warehouse space at the Record Merchandisers headquarters Record Merchandisers headquarters in Hayes, Middlesex, the company uses the same reps and telephone ordering service, treating video as just another product line to add to records, tapes and accessories.

Yet it is a product line which is likely to become an increasingly important part of the Record Merchandisers operation.

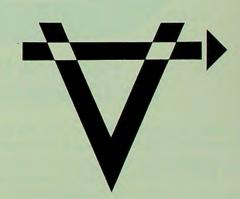
While on the record side of its operation the company deals only

operation the company deals only with multiples, Record Merchandisers feels that its video service should be attractive to both multiples and independents.

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"There's no bar on single stores and there are already some smaller shops becoming involved in the rental scheme as well as the likes of Littlewoods, Martins, Sperrings, Top Man and Greens," confirms Grimble.

"Other schemes dictate what rental should be paid once the



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Questionmark's 'rock magazine' takes promo video a step further

A NEW video venture appears to have cut a swathe through the copyright and usage problems affecting music on video to produce an hour-long rock magazine.

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The company is Questionmark
Productions, a small company based
in London's Covent Garden, and its
first production, Vidzine One,
contains performances by Richard
Strange, Philip Jap, Levi Dexter and
the Ripcords, Albania, Patrick D.
Martin, The Damned, Metro,
Assassins Of Hope and The Cramps.
The cassette also includes interviews The cassette also includes interviews with Richard Strange, Miles and Stuart Copeland, and rock journalists Paul Morley and

Giovanni Dadamo.

Four of the artists are featured on promotional films, the rest have been filmed since January by producer/directors Patrick D. Martin, Alex Denholm and Roger Strauss. The cassette is 80 per cent music

music.
"We felt it was time to get away from the promo video idea something more creative," s

Martin.
"TV outlets are limited and there is certainly no outlet for something slightly different such as this, so people have been keen to help and get involved.

"MCPS was very co-operative in

helping us to get the necessary clearances."

The cassette is already being handled by Stage One, Home Video, Lightning and Starcurve and orders have been received from Germany,

The price to wholesalers is £12 per cassette for orders in excess of 50 units, in VHS or Beta formats, and Martin expects it to retail at between £22 and £28. Questionmark has placed no restrictions on rental.

This first title is available from the end of July and a second is already planned for October, with Classix Nouveaux, Shock and 999 already

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UK talent needs financial backing



ONE OF Millaney Grant's recent promotional films was for Landscape and their single Norman Bates about the character in the Hitchcock film Psycho.

Pictured with the band is Not The Nine O'Clock News star Pamela Stephenson who also featured in this adventurous production which was shot on 35mm film and a longer film version has been made available for cinema

IN A personal assessment of the current state of the video market, pop promo producer Scott Millaney states a case for keeping creative talent in the UK through investment and argues for a royalty covering creative copyright. Since he formed Millaney Grant

Since he formed Millaney Grant with partner Brian Grant two years ago, the company has produced more than 130 promotional films for artists such as Queen, Cliff Richard, Sky, Justin Hayward, Three Degrees, Bob Marley, Sheena Easton, Pat Benatar, Crusaders, Jean-Michel Jarre, Visage and Snandau Ballet. Spandau Ballet.

With an expanding turnover of videos to produce and direct, Millaney Grant has signed director Julian Temple, whose credits include The Great Rock And Roll Swindle, the Great Rock And Roll Swindle, to work exclusively for the company and ex-10cc members Kevin Godley and Lol Greme are also working as creative directors for the company. Millaney himself was formerly with Island Records where he was

responsible for all of their films. He was later appointed managing director of Blue Mountain Films, a subsidiary of Island, and there he concentrated on the areas of video production and distribution.

IF YOU know the film industry in England, then you know it is at present in a pretty lousy state. You know that cinemas are closing, there are fewer feature productions than last year, and that there is a criminal lack of investment to finance new ideas and talent.

Good creative talent, as the music industry is well aware, is the grass roots of our business. Without those artists and songwriters we would all

So while the film industry in this country goes into spiralling depression it is refreshing to note a new area of filming in a healthy and buoyant state. The good old record company promo has progressed over the last two years to a very high degree of sophistication. Current record company expenditure in London on promotional clips is in the region of £6m to £7m per year. Good for us all, though especially

good for London.

Now once this industry is here, can we keep it here? Always the dollar lures our most talented people to sunnier climes.

London could and should be the centre for the video cassette industry in the Eighties. I think most would agree that the standard of promotional clips made in this country is better both creatively and technically than anywhere else in the world. We have the talent, what we need now is investment.

Competition

There has never been more competition for a person's leisure time than there is now. Basic programming whether by

disc, cassette, cable, satellite or even TV channels, is the threat that the music industry faces. By diversifying funds and trying to contain the talent and industry in London, we will all benefit in the long term.

Money and equipment will always

be fairly plentiful. The video industry, whether financed by the music industry or elsewhere, is expanding fast. I hope the new video entrepreneurs don't commit the same mistakes as their feature film counterparts did before them. That is, have all the facilities under the sun, but neglect the basic ingredient creative talent

Through promos, the record industry has pushed young film producers and directors to the fore, people who otherwise would possibly not have had the opportunity to prove themselves within our ailing film industry.



SCOTT MILLANEY: "London could and should be the centre for the video cassette industry in the Eighties.

In a sense, the record industry should protect its investment, thereby keeping the talent at its disposal. Usually an impossible task, since most talented individuals will move on to bigger and better projects. But since we really are at the beginning of a new era and everything is to be gained, then the payment of a royalty for creative copyright interest would become a great incentive for the budding directors of the future.

Things must change

Precedents in law for creative copyright have been set in other areas of film production. However, the record company promo, made originally to sell records, but now a valuable asset as a saleable item, has caused problems.

Clearly things must change and I think it is the record companies who must first make a stand. There are far too many third parties within the television industry profiting from what is basically free programming.

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The balance between promotion, the cost of clips, and recoupment of costs is slowly slipping away from the grasp of those who make them. Recent decisions to supply cable companies in America free of charge are quite simply ludicrous. It would be worth some record. be worth some record company executives' time to visit notable television trade fairs to find out just

television trade fairs to find out just how much programming is worth station by station.

We all have part of a valuable asset which is becoming diluted by our own collective inactivity.

Trade associations such as the

BVA do a good job but their efforts will be wasted until we all become aware of the benefits and pitfalls of video production and distribution.

The more we try and fight our way

out of the copyright jungle which promos have created in the past, the more time we lose to plan and profit from the videogram industry of the future.

EPC releases Glittering Crowns

THE ELECTRONIC Publishing Company, formed earlier this year, is releasing its first production for home video and TV distribution, The Glittering Crowns, narrated by Edward Fox

The programme runs for one hour and while worldwide TV distribution is being handled by the New York

is being handled by the New York Times Sales Syndications Corporation, Electronic Publishing is concentrating on the UK market.

UK distribution of the cassette, retailing at £29.95, is being handled by Walton Film and Video, which supplies a national network of retailers and wholesalers.

The Glittering Crowns poterwise.

The Glittering Crowns portrays the drama of monarchy in the 20th century using rarely seen archive

footage as well as specially shot topical material. Royal occasions included are the spectacular pageants of Tsar Nicholas II, Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee and the investiture of Prince Charles.

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Nicholas de Rothschild, producer
of The Glittering Crowns and
managing director of the Electronic
Publishing Company, feels The
Glittering Crowns has a strong
repeatability factor and will sell
particularly well in this year of the
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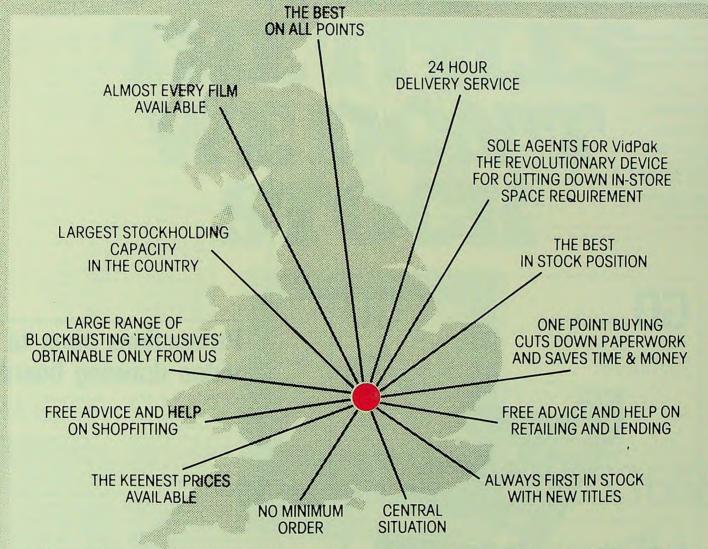
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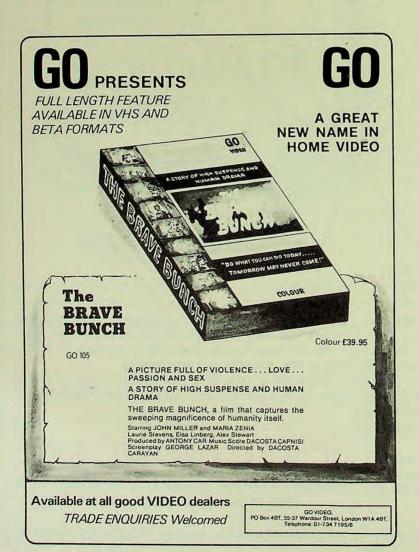
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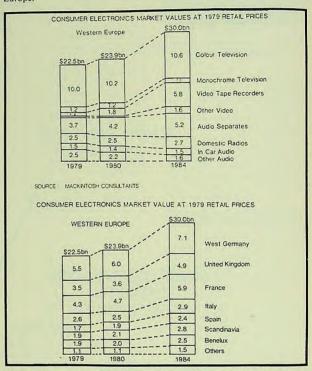
Rapid growth of hardware sales

THE TOTAL retail value of the Western European consumer electronics market will grow from \$22.5 billion in 1979 to \$30 billion by 1984 (at constant prices), according to European electronics consultancy Mackintosh Consultants, and much of this growth is attributable to the rapid increase in sales of video cassette recorders (see table below).

It is predicted that this area of the market alone will increase from less than \$1 billion in 1979 to well over \$5 billion by 1984, while the market for audio separates, including tuners, amplifiers and cassette decks, is also expected to increase significantly.

increase significantly.

Despite increasing replacement demand, only gradual market expansion is forecast for colour television over this period, however, with the rate of increase of colour set ownership now beginning to slow down in Western Europe



V Productions aims to be 'video drawing

THE NEXT best thing to having your own video facility. That is the intention of new London video company V Productions.

"One of the great difficulties facing video users is the sheer expense of programme making, when the basic ideas are necessarily being developed during coethy studio being developed during costly studio and editing time," says V producer Peter Shelton.

"V has not been set up to compete with the larger production houses but rather to complement these sort of facilities. At V producers can experiment with their ideas at a cost almost comparable with having their own backyard studio.

"Go and spend the money and time at the broadcast standard house time at the broadcast standard house when you are ready, not before. What we want V to become is the producer's second home, a practical and hopefully pleasurable electronic drawing board."

The company is equipped to produce and post-produce sub-

produce and post-produce sub-broadcast video on U-matic at its West End studio, with three West End studio, with three machines editing and vision mixing and a small production team.

Shelton feels that the service V provides can be particularly valuable to the development of new musical

"Whether for private promotion

— a video demo has far more impact
on potential bookers, backers, DJs, VIs and record companies than a sound recording alone — or indeed home video sales, the creative and commercial opportunities of the new video age must be obvious to anybody," he says. "Successful video recording,

especially of music performance, means a lot more than simply pointing a camera at a stage. It involves discussion and preparation of ideas, a considered and thorough approach that leads to something more than a simple documentary record.

"People have become much more

sophisticated in their tastes and many performers need professional visual artists to help them evolve

their ideas.
"We think that V Productions can give performers the kind of focus on visual ideas that the new video age demands."

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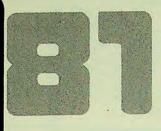
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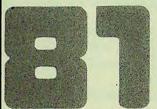
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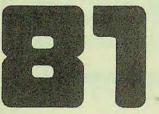
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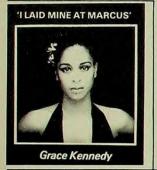
TALENT

Satin stomp: hit material?

POP QUIZ, the new BBC TV series, has also introduced a new pop theme — and its composer Howard Massey is hoping that The Satin Stomp, which has been released as a single (EMI 5214), will become as easily identifiable with the TV show as Led Zeppelin's Whole Lotta Love became with Top Of The Pops, and the John Barry Orchestra's Hit And

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became with Top Of The Pops, and
the John Barry Orchestra's Hit And
Miss for Juke Box Jury.
Initially Pop Quiz is scheduled for
an eight-week run, and depending
on its success may be repeated. And
that could mean that Massey's jingle
would be among the most widely
heard on TV.

New Yorker Massey signed to
Chappell Music as a writer in 1979.
Last year Herb Alpert recorded one
of his songs, Red Hot, for the
Beyond album. The song was from a
suite of music called You Are The
Light, written by Massey, and first



played at the Festival Of Body, Mind And Spirit.

Massey describes it as a suite of electronic music, based on the colours of the rainbow, and it has been presented with visual displays of laser and holographic effects — in the colours of the rainbown and a New Merchant New Merchant

Brighton and Bristol, and at New York's Lincoln Centre. "My career now is based in the UK," says Massey. "Apart from the publishing deal with Chappell, I also have a production agreement with Trident Studios and have done several masters under my own name. In addition there are also plans being model for a stage production of You Are The Light, but at the moment it's a question of finding the right backers."

News in brief...

LONDON BAND Huang Chung release their first single, Hold Back The Tears, on Arista and will be playing several live dates during August to promote it. The band are also working on their first album also working on their first album which is being produced by Rhett Davies . . . John Townley releases his second album for EMI, More Than A Dream, which was recorded at Montserrat Studios and produced by Jon Kelly, Kate Bush's co-producer. The LP features 10 of Townley's own songs ... Cliff Richard undertakes a major UK tour during November and December, and includes four nights at Hammersmith Odeon; he is currently completing a new album with producer Alan Tarney.



SACKINGS WERE temporarily forgotten when Noele Gordon, the deposed "queen" of the Crossroads TV series, joined up with some of the people who have been responsible for her new EMI single, After All These Years. Pictured with her are Eric Hall of Limo Music, Les Cocks and Jackie Gill of ATV Music, her manager Michael Summerton, Vic Lanza of EMI, and Tim and Keith Atack who wrote the song for the actress after reading of her deposing.



FLEET STREET almost ground to a halt when an elephant was used to promote the first single by The Pits on Zilch Records (licensed to RCA). The group — actually a two-man concern, Johnny Gash and Kenneth Fever — looked dapper in their white pith helmets while Rani, the elephant, wore a pink swathe bearing the band's name and single title. The three delivered singles to the radio stations with the delivered singles to the radio stations. singles to the radio stations, and then decided to stroll along Fleet Street . . . until a police constable asked them to accompany him to Snow Hill police station!

Comeback for Melachrino **Strings**

LUCK HAS played a major role in the re-emergence of the Melachrino Strings & Orchestra, which, under the direction of which, under the direction of US-born Robert Mandell, is supported by a £60,000 grant from the Musicians Union.

Mandell, founder of the

Midlands-based Concerts For The Family Organisation, was urgently seeking Ferde Grofe's arrangement of Lecuona's Malaguena some time ago without success when he recalled that trombonist Laddie Busby had told him that the late George Melachrino's music library still existed.

Mandell contacted

Mandell contacted Melachrino's widow, Noreen, through Busby, and was given the address of a former Melachrino associate in London who had custody of the scores. And not only did Mandell find the Grofe arrangement he needed, but he discovered that the Melachrino library was about to be burnt because of lack of space and demand.

He obtained the rights to over 1,000 arrangements by Melachrino and his musical associate, William Hill-Bowen, and now they will be heard again in a series of concerts throughout the UK played by a 42-strong orchestra containing many former members of the **BBC Midland Radio Orchestra** axed as an economy measure last year.

CLASSICAL

Edited NICOLAS SOAMES

Thumbs up for DG's **Double Time tapes**

Double Time Tapes, Placido Domingo/Wilhelm Kempff. DG 3583 023/3583 016.

I have been doing a considerable amount of driving recently and the longeurs of the journeys have been considerably alleviated by these, two of the first four Double Time tapes released by DG to test the market.

I can't see how they can fail. The compilations are not only interesting — the Kempff contains Beethoven's Piano



Concerto No 5 and Mozart's No 23 as well as Moonlight Sonata etc — but well played, and, at 90 minutes for under £4.99, a bargain particularly in that the Domingo tape contains albums as recent as Be My Love.

is a different concept to EMI's Miles of Music, but both



PERAHIA: success predicted

are steps in the direction of recouping some ground lost to home-taping.

Monkey, Wu Ch'Eng-En, translated by Waley, read by Kenneth Williams. Part One, Monkey in Heaven. Nimbus NC 4101/2. This is the first of five parts due out

over the next couple of years. I have known the tales of Monkey in this I would have thought of Kenneth Williams as the ideal reader, but I was captivated by the different characters he manages to evoke in his readings. I haven't been convinced by many cassette stories, but it is clearly an expanding market, and, with the television series recently finished, this title could provoke some interest. Could I suggest that Williams checks his pronunciation of Buddhist names before the next recording though?

Volume 6, Bach's Complete Organ Works, Peter Hurford, Argo D 226D 3.

This is without doubt one of the most successful series of Bach organ works ever recorded — both

commercially and artistically. Hurford's decision to play Bach on the finest modern instruments, albeit with great observance paid to baroque performing style, has gone in the face of the general trend towards authenticity, yet no one can question the exciting and convincing

Volume 6, like the others, consists of three records, each disc presenting a varied recital, mixing the well-known and the lesserknown; yet the music always comes alive through the bright colours and the clear and buoyant rhythms. This is the series with which to make new converts to organ music and organ records — try sceptical customers on the Toccata, Adagio and Fugue in C

Sonatas Nos 26-32, en. Volume 4. Bernard Beethoven. Volume 4. Bernard Roberts, D/C 904, 5 discs. Diabelli Variations, Beethoven, Bernard Roberts, Nimbus D/C 906.

I continue to admire this cycle, I like the clean unaffected approach of Bernard Roberts who lets the music speak for itself, while, even in the difficult passages, not erring on the side of caution — though, of course, this is a direct-cut disc.

As I have mentioned before, this cycle bears the distinctive Nimbus sound — the listener gets the impression that the performance is taking place in a salon atmosphere, which it is — and this is a more expensive Beethoven cycle to buy: this set has five discs but only nine playing sides. But the care which has gone into the packaging, reflects the whole approach.

Much the same musical points apply to the Diabelli Variations. It says much for Roberts that, coming almost unknown to the recording world, he has won the respect of many for his cogent approach and secure, confident playing.

Sonatas Nos 15, 26, 27, Beethoven. John Lill. ASV 2014. It is interesting to compare the Lill

cycle with Roberts' version. Of course, Lill's is available on single course, Lill's is available on single discs and is not organised chronologically, but the musical differences are very marked too. Lill seems to make far more of an individual impression upon the music, injecting it with ambiguity and poetry. Insofar as demestic and poetry. Insofar as domestic Beethoven cycles are concerned, these two sets will attract different customers, and dealers can help by clearly presenting the characteristics

Piano Concerto No I, Chopin. Murray Perahia, New Philharmonic, Mehta. 76970.

This is Perahia's first concerto disc for CBS outside the consistently successful set of Mozart concertos made with the ECO. I predict much the same success here. Of course, the competition is heavy, but the same eminently prepared and thoughtful work that Perahia injects into his Mozart playing can be found in his Chopin playing, yet not at the expense of spontaneity. He is a player with a love for a beautiful piano sound which is shown at its silky best in these melodies.

Symphony No 9, Schubert, Boston Symphony Orchestra, Colin Davis. 9500 890.

Colin Davis takes a large-scale, panoramic view of this work. There are bold rather than subtle gestures, and he seems to worry less about the little turns of phrase which, for me, make Schubert so fascinating: but this is an enormous work and perhaps we have to stand on top of the mountain and look out over the whole landscape. Recent competition is not particularly strong — Mehta and Haitink's versions date from 1977 — so this could do well.



SELECT SINGLES



SHAKING STEVENS

CHART CERTS:

ELECTRIC LIGHT ORCHESTRA Hold On Tight (Jet 7011, CBS). KIM WILDE Water On Glass/Boys (RAK 334, EMI). SHAKIN' STEVENS Green Door (Epic EPC A1354, CBS). UNDERTONES
Julie Ocean (EMI ARDS 9, EMI).
DURAN DURAN Girls On Film (EMI (12) 5206, EMI). DYNASTY Here I Am (Solar K12550, WEA).

Others:

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UP AND DOWN BAND: Pop
Around The Isle (PIP 8101,
Pinnacle), HEROES AND
ANGELS: Hey Diana (White Line
WHLS002, Stage One), SMILE:
Royal Romance (Corgi COR1,
Indie). Three of many "royal" 45s.
Cameron's utilised on Tony Brandon show, lots of gaiety. Heroes And Angels rework of old Hey Paula sickly. Royal Romance aided by kids. Last two pic disc, sleeve respectively and

After All These Years (EMI 5218, EMI). Pleasant tune with apt

special tasteful. NOELE GORDON

stridency for more punchy lyric lines

"in the news" Crossroads star reflects on life. Pic bag with artist

Shaggy Raggy (Stiff BUY 122, CBS). Slow and initially distracting pace with sudden spurt at 1:31, vocal colouring at 1:47 and soothing girls at 2.03 before reverting to early timing. Its very oddness creates obsession to play again but whether media so sympathetic is interesting

POINTER SISTERS

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Slowhand (Planet K12530, WEA).
Three-girl group, four albums on
Planet, tailor-made for US market,
laid-back rhythmic charmer,
infectious title line, trifle
understated for UK but hopefully

STEVIE NICKS

Stop Draggin' My Heart Around (Modern K79231, WEA). Better than lukewarm comments R1 RINGUISTANT COMMENTS RI ROUNDATED RESERVATION OF THE RESERVATION OF TH beloved by artist.

SMOKEY ROBINSON

You Are Forever (Motown TMG 1237, EMI). Spasmodic hit star can thank recent number one if this gets chart notice, for merely inoffensive album filler

JANE KENNAWAY

Year 2000 (Deram DM 44, PolyGram). Lyric re-assurance of love retaining impact in space 2000, good vocalising on song with initial promise especially chorus but which

THE PHOTOS

We'll Win (Epic A1369, CBS). Things off boil for once much

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touted outfit, this OK disc but unlikely to change matters. Vaguely Oriental air. Pic bag.

METRO

America In My Head (Polydor POSP (X) 280, PolyGram). Richard Burgess mix for band of old Criminal World acclaim. Has its moments though hearing not helped by dire pressing.

THE BROTHERS JOHNSON
The Real Thing (A&M AMS 8149,
CBS). Party atmosphere, no
nonsense disco backing track which thins out for harmony vocalising, mid-way sax runs over strings. No sticking line. Late girls for colour.

MORRISEY MULLEN

Do Like You (Beggers Banquet BEG 60T, WEA). Floating around lower regions of disco chart some weeks,

happy summery feel with vocals occasional to aid atmosphere, and state title.

THE BYRON BAND

Rebecca (Creole CR 12, CBS).
Powerful guitar riffs dominate though some piano, sax, organ hover albeit briefly, strong vocalising

NETWORK 3

Dangerous Game (EMI 5205, EMI). Strident, punchy with stops and starts, no surprise sax outing, as with flip suggests talented harmony outfit still looking for right song.

POLLY BROWNE

I'll Never Be The Same (Witch POL. 3A, Pinnacle). Christopher Cross song but this reviewer perhaps heretically believes Cross owes much to Omartian production, without that sound this displays pleasant composition well sung but no more.

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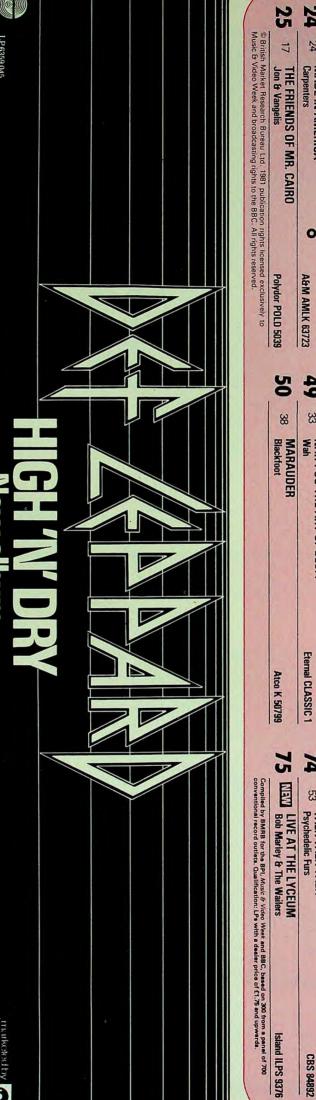
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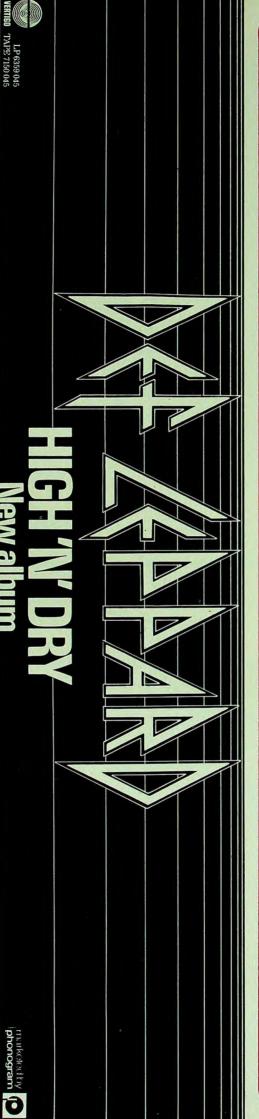
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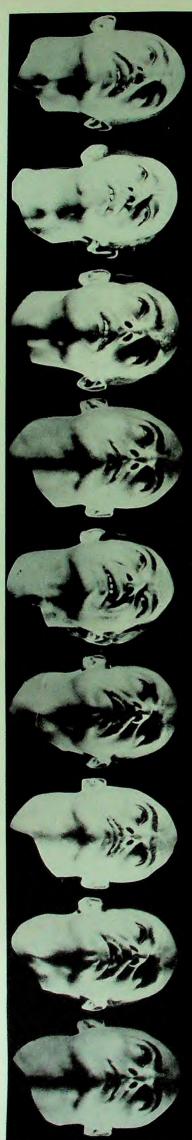
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SELECT SINGLES

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BILL WITHERS

Want To Spend The Night (CBS A1403, CBS). Atmospheric quiet romantic disco which has gradual growth of pace but not magic of Lovely Day, Ain't No Sunshine and Lean On Me.

(Si Si) Je Suis Un Rock Star (Ripple AMS 8144, CBS). Catchy novelty feel for Rolling Stone artist with presumably tongue-in-cheek lyric. Should fetch reasonable

CLINT EASTWOOD & GENERAL SAINT
Another One Bites The Dust (Greensleeves OINK 1,
Spartan). Picking up sales reggae market, no frills either in sound or words and hardly likely to adorn, unless by mistake, general airwaves.

BARRY ANDREWS

Rossmore Road (Virgin VS 428, Virgin). Re-mix for loudly applauded disc in this column on first time around. More

CAROLE BAYER SAGER Stronger Than Before (Epic EPC A1322, CBS). US hit with Bee Gees style imprinted across especially in chorus and writers Bayer-Bacharach-Roberts have obviously attended Gibb Bros school. For all that it flows in style popular in US charts, problems here.

OAK RIDGE BOYS
Elvira (MCA 727, CBS) US hit, doubtless reason for this but on surface plods along with pedestrian riff which might conceivably attract for that very fact.

THE HEATERS

Oh (Precinct PR 1, Indie). Prefer, though labelling imprecise, what appears to be B-side, namely Carmen where more delicacy on arrangement could have made major difference to what is interesting steel band tinged backing for slightly awkward vocals.

DIANA WILLIAMS

Teddy Bear's Last Ride (Capitol CL 207, EMI). 1976 disc, doubtless released because of Red Sovine success, spoken at a gallop with due expectation of awakening heartfelt tears from unfortunate listeners.

Teach Me To Boogie (Spinach SPIN 001, Stage One). Saucy sexy young ladies pictures in school uniform cope well with noisy brash production and belter of tune.

The Ancient Rebels (IRS PFP 1006, CBS). Off Strange Kicks (SP 70023), pounding gutsy attack but outside of basic riffs wanders somewhat inconsequentially even if handelaps and vocal whoops pulled in to help out.

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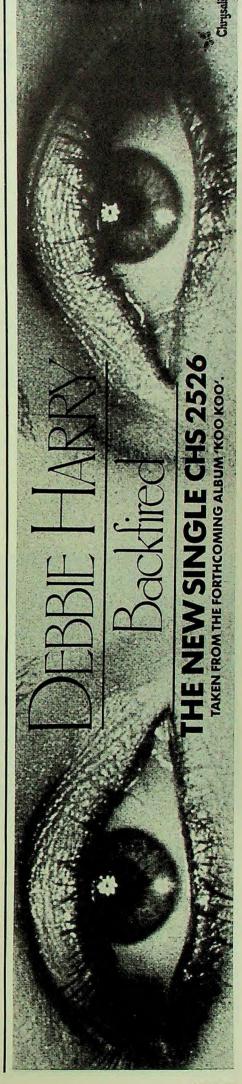
Tired (Fobik FOB 001, Indie). Jerky frenetic pace, aggression in vocals, sounds OK while flip has short sharp catchy title line. B/W bag.

ROY SUNDHOLM
Ensign (ENY 213, RCA). Sundholm makes good cuts without finding a song which sorts itself out from usual weekly commercial offering from other sources.

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NEW ALBUMS

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Greensleeves issues Alimantado's latest

RECORDS will be releasing the "longreleasing the ''long-awaited'' follow-up album to Best Dressed Chicken in Doctor by Town Alimantado on July 31.

The album, entitled Sonds Of Thunder, has 10 tracks including Chant To Jah, Return Of Muhammed Careless Ethiopians Repent and Dreadlocks is GREL 22 and distribution is through Spartan and Jetstar.

Best Dressed Chicken In Town (GREL 1) has now sold over 30,000 copies and is still selling steadily. Promotion for Sons Of Thunder will include personal appearances in shops, posters, T-shirts and trade and consumer press advertising.

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freedom (GREL 23), which was called Love Crisis when first released in 1977. The band, currently touring the UK, have since recorded three distances to the control of the contro albums for their current label, albums for their current label, Island. Also out is an album from Wailing Souls, Fire House Rock (GREL 21), and an album from New Scientist is scheduled for August.



DR. ALIMANTADO

New deal, new LPs from Hi Fidelity

• Spartan is also now handling the back catalogue from Ireland's Mint label, part of Emerald Records.

Voice duo debut on **Secret Records single**

THE DEBUT single from Voice, a duo comprising Bill Roberts and Richard Blanchard, entitled She's Leaving (SHH 115) was released last week on Secret Records.

Roberts and Blanchard backed Russ Ballard on his last two

Roberts and Bianchard backed Russ Bahlard on his last two albums, but are now concentrating totally on Voice and plan to release a debut LP, Talking Pictures, on Secret in the autumn.

Meanwhile, scheduled releases on Secret from Brian Brain (Jive Jive) and Temporary Title (a double A side called Cheong Sam/Pyjama Song) have been delayed due to a strike at Secret's pressing plant, and they will now be released in August.



Arthur Louis, Knocking On AFTER A frantic chase to Nassau via Miami, who recorded the reggae version of Heaven's Door, has recovered some lost tracks recorded over two years ago, and now his label, Mainstreet Records, intends to release them. A single, Still, It Feels Good, is released next

£4,000,000

ARE YOU GETTING YOUR SHARE?

AFTER LEAVING PRT, Hi Fidelity Records has signed a deal with Spartan and has come out with a series of new albums.

The new releases include Greatest Hits compilations from Dionee Warwick, B J Thomas, Gene Pitney, George Jones, Sam Cooke, Lloyd Price, The Platters and The Shirelles, and Spartan is also handling back catalogue including Mantovani: The Legend and Cosmic Turnaround by Jimi Hendrix.

Records (see Music & Video
Week, July 11).

Vasco is a subsidiary of Ray
Edgar Music, based at 26
Hamilton Road, Dollis Hill,
London NW10 (450 2133), and
Ray Williams is actually the
recording name for Ray Edgar,
who started the companies five
years ago. Edgar writes and
produces most of his own
material, and to date has
released several albums and
singles on Vasco.

Edgar explains: "We use so
many independent distributors

2,500 copies. The record has
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The Queen, the Queen Mother,
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many independent distributors simply because of the nature of Vasco's product — all the singles are released in 12-inch formats only, and find their way into specialist shops. None of the records we have released so far, and there have been a dozen singles, has failed to sell less than 5,000 units."

ITIE DEAD Kennedys are in trouble again... The original sleeve for their album Fresh Fruit For Rotting Vegetables, which has now achieved UK sales in excess of 80,000, featured on the back cover a photograph of Sounds Of Sunshine, a Californian band whose music is somewhat remote from that of The Dead Kennedys. Sounds Of Sunshine, through their US lawyers, objected most strongly to the association and so Iain McNay of Cherry Red decided to follow the example of the French Revolution and adopted the photo as we print it above. Revolution and adpted the photo as we print it above.

The original

Indies help spread 'wedding' message

THE DEAD Kennedys are in trouble again

Same name

case settled

settled out of court.

A LENGTHY High Court battle between Eagle Records of London and Eagle Records of Nottingham has now been

Under the agreement Eagle Records of Nottingham has given Eagle of London the sole right to use the name Eagle Records, for an undisclosed sum plus court costs.

Eagle Records of Nottingham will now be called Ash Records. Distribution will stay with Pinnacle and its first

Records. Distribution will stay with Pinnacle and its first releases are scheduled for early autumn.

Eagle Records of London, however, is switching distribution from Pinnacle to Stage One, which will now be handling product from The Monks, Jo-Anna Forte, The Dogs and High Society. The first release under the new agreement will be a High Society single, Gotta Get Outta This Rut. A forthcoming single from Gary Glitter on the label will be distributed by Phonogram.

MORE THAN 40 independent a big export market for his record distributors are being product — in particular, used for the Royal wedding France, Holland and Africa. single, The Wedding Song (I He claims that within the first Take This Woman) by Ray two weeks of release, The Williams, released by Vasco Wedding Song sold more than Records (see *Music & Video* 2,500 copies. The record has also received Royal "blessing" — Edgar has received Edear Music, based at 26 acknowledgment letters from

In addition to his own product, Edgar has also released several records by other artists, including Body Music by US bass player Levi John (VSK LP 002). A second LP is scheduled for later this year.

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101 label achieves 'total independence'

101 RECORDS, the label connected with the London venue of the same name, has switched from Polydor to Spartan and is now, in the words of Frank Samson, "totally independent". First direct signing to the label is three-piece band The Educators.

First single releases through Spartan will be Jamaica You've Lost Your Maker by the Realistics (August 7) and Lord Of The Dance by Jump Squad (August 14).

The Club operates seven nights a week, and the organisation is currently on the receiving end of 30/40 executes a week from honeful sets. cassettes a week from hopeful acts.

but Lappin foresees a time soon when the few organised Irish indie labels will be in a position to launch bands such as The Atrix more easily both here and in Ireland. Scoff is distributed

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INDEPENDENT LABE

Singing Nun signs up

A NEW Liverpool-based label, Mayfield Records, debuts this week with an EP by a nun, Sister Annunciata, head of a primary school in Colwyn Bay, North Wales. The tracks on the EP are Known Only To Him (once recorded by Elvis Presley), The Happy Wanderer, Whispering Hope and It Is No Secret. Her pupils provide backing vocals on two of the tracks. Catalogue number is EP MA101 E, and distribution through Pinnaele. Sister Annunciata told the Daily Express: "I suppose I will be labelled the singing Nun." labelled the singing Nun.

Archer aims for hit

PUBLIC DEMAND and audience reaction (it says here) have forced Trevor Harrison, better known as Eddie Grundy of radio's longest running serial The Archers, to release his first single, Lambs To The Slaughter (Dingles SID 230). No doubt it will be played to death on the juke box of the Bull at Ambridge.

Biggun bounces back

IVOR BIGGUN returns to the recording scene with a release on his own Dead Badger Records. Bras On 45 is available on 12", with the 7" family version also on release. Not a million miles from a spoof on the successful Stars On 45 concept, Biggun's segue includes his own versions of such hits as Hit Me With Your Rhythm Stick, Baggy Trousers and Swords Of A Thousand Men. We are assured it is "air-playable". Dead Badger Records go through Beggars Banquet.



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News in brief...

THREE NEW singles are released by Cherry Red this week — Something Sends Me To Sleep by Felt (7") and Thomas Leer's Four Movements and Five Or Six's Polar Exposure, both on 12". The Five Or Six disc is described as "a half 12" single/half album", retails at £1.50 and includes material recorded recently on tour in Holland

PLAY RECORDS has released an EP from top Irish artist Brendan Shine. The Marriage EP contains three previously released singles from Shine, who has had 17 number ones in Ireland. Distribution is through Spartan.

CLEO LANE, recently departed from RCA, has a single and album out on the Sepia label. The single, Tom Boy (RSS 103), is taken from the LP One More Day (RSR 1009), and distribution is through Spartan.

ON THE reggae front, Misty have a new double A side single, Peace And Love/Bail Out, out on their People Unite label, while Clint Eastwood and General Saint have a single out on Greensleeves called Another One Bites The Dust.

LATEST RELEASES on the PVK label, now being distributed through Spartan, are an album from Duffo, Bob The Birdman (DUF 1), and singles from David Machin called Ich Liebe Dick (PV 109), and Gordon Giltrap, entitled Hocus Pocus (PV 101)

STATIK RECORDS has released a 12-inch disco mix from New Age Steppers, featuring My Love from the forthcoming album Action Battlefield and a new version of Love For Ever, which was on the first New Age Steppers album released by On-U

DO IT Records has terminated its distribution deal with Spartan and is currently negotiating new distribution arrangements. In the meantime Do It product is available from wholesalers including Rough Trade, Revolver, Red Rhino and Fresh.

UNDER A new pressing and distribution deal with Spartan, 101 Records will be releasing a single from The Realistics entitled Jamaica You've Lost Your Maker (UR 1) in a pic bag featuring a picture of Bob Marley, and a single from Deptford band Jump Squad called Lord Of The Dance (UR 2).

BRIGHTON LABEL Attrix Records has released the debut LP from Birds With Ears, called Youth In Asia (RB12LP). It will be backed up by trade and consumer music press advertising and fly-posting, particularly in London.

BANANA RECORDS (distribution via Fresh) releases the Remipeds album, The Tahiti Syndrome (EAT 1), this week. The album is also available on mail order through Stiff.

IMPACT RECORDS celebrates its first birthday this week with a single entitled Forever by Who's George? through Spartan/Rough Trade (ACT 3).

THE FLAT-TOPS, currently receiving heavy airplay with their single The Bop Won't Stop, have signed to Mean Records which is distributed by Pinnacle.

PASK RECORDS releases CB Baby, a CB love story, by Rig And The Twigs this week. The lyrics are largely CB jargon and it is being given blanket promotion by the CB Club.

ANOTHER SINGLE aimed at CB fanatics is Ramkup's CB Casanova by country and western artist Silk James (CAC 006).

THE LATEST single from The Au Pairs, Inconvenience/Pretty Boys (HUM 8), is out on Human next week. There will be a 12-inch version of the single released on the same date (HUM 8-12), which also features a re-mixed version of Headache, a track from the group's debut LP Playing With A Different Sex.

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On the job with the Feelgoods

DR FEELGOOD
On The Job. Liberty LBG 30328.
Produced by the band, this is an excellent R 'n' B album as one has come to expect from these lads and features new guitarist Johnny Guitar. A UK tour has been scheduled for October, while a live LP, featuring departing guitarist Gypie Mayo and some of the band's stage favourites is scheduled for August release.

THE MOTORS

Greatest Hits. Virgin Records V2204. This collection of superior pop songs should chart — especially at the special price of £3.99. Includes the haunting Fritz Lang-inspired Metropolis plus Forget About You and Dance The Night Away. Nice

DON WILLIAMS
Especially For You. MCA 735. Easy istening music from the ever-popular country singer. With TV campaigns lined-up for the ATV and STAG areas, plus a big general promotion for the LP, this should have no problems in charting. Features the current single, Especially You.

WAS (NOT WAS)
Was (Not Was) Ze ILPS 7015.
Producers; Don and David Was and
Jack Tann. Interesting variation of
Ze's currently popular Latin revival.
Disco funk music with cynical lyrics.
Could make it into the charts on the strength of current wave of interest

ALTERNATIVE TV Strange Kicks. IRS SP 70023 (A & M). Interesting development for Mark Perry and crew, with production by Richard Mazda. More commercial trend could make this one to watch. Needs substantial record company push.

CULTURE
Vital Selection, Virgin VX 1001
LINTON KWESI JOHNSON Dread Beat An' Blood, Virgin

AT LONG last Virgin is reactivating its considerable reggae catalogue. The Culture album is the first of a series tagged Vital Selection (releases from Mighty Diamonds, Gladiators and Black Uhuru follow on August

7) and is certainly a valid, if not vital, collection of 11 songs and

Citizen As A Peaceful Dub is a timely track. Reggae writer Scotty Bennett compiled all the Vital Selection series and the £2.99 price is

Selection series and the £2.99 price is a strong selling point.

The Kwesi Johnson album was originally released in September 1978 as Poet 'n' The Roots. Musicians include Denis Bovell and Jah Bunny of Matumbi fame. Tracks such as Five Nights Of Bleeding and Song Of Blood are unfortunately most appropriate in this violent summer.

CLEO LAINE

One More Day. Sepia Records RSR 1009. A concept album in that all the songs have been written by the songwriting team of Daryl Runswick songwriting team of Daryl Runswick and Kevin Crabbe, and are about a woman's experiences in life. It is probably Laine's best "solo" album for several years — a wide variety of material and Tomboy, which has been pulled off the LP as a single, is very commercial and could even give her a hit. Distribution is via Spartan.

ENGLEBERT HUMPERDINCK Don't You Love Me Anymore. Epic EPC 84973. The big ballad singer of the Sixties may no longer enjoy the same sales success 14 years after his intial hit with Release Me, but he remains a distinctive song stylist and this album, which includes a this album, which includes a selection of easy listening ballads, will please his fans.

KLAUS WUNDERLICH

Pop Organ Hitparty I. Odeon 1004. First release in the new Hitparty series, and featuring such predictable titles are My Old Piano, Woman In Love and Super Trouper, with some rather more unfamiliar fare. People may mock, but organist Wunderlich does enjoy big album

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Noddy Stories, read by Enid holiday traffic jams. Features several Noddy Stories, read by Enid Blyton, and song favourites by Mandy Miller and Anne Stephens.



DR FEELGOOD:

COCKNEY REJECTS
The Power & The Glory. EMI
ZONO 105. Producer: Steve
Churchyard. A rather predictable
collection of songs, drawing on a
variety of punk influences but
approximating most closely to postLydon Sex Pistols. Sleeve shows the
band looking mean and nasty as
possible and proudly showing off possible and proudly showing off their heavily-tatooed arms. This LP won't win any awards for musical or lyrical innovation, but that won't stop it selling moderately well.

SLY AND ROBBIE
The Sixties, Seventies & Eighties.
Island ILPS 9688. Producers: Sly
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House), The Drifters (Save The Last Dance For Me), Bobby Vee (Run To Him) and Trini Lopez (If I Had A Hammer), and it all sounds highly sellable all over again.

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Val Doonican has earned his album title of Mr Music Man (STAM 3067), and does his usual quietly personable good work on numbers such as Killing Me Softly With Her Song, That's What Friends Are For, Behind Closed Doors and Annie's Song. And the music of a master of MOR orchestral entertainment, Frank Chacksfield, also justifies the title of Beautiful Music, Vol.1 (CN 2039), which includes his single hits of 30 years or so ago, Limelight and Ebb Tide, as well as timeless melodies such as All The Things You Are, In The Still Of The Night and Stardust.



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American Commentary



Anger at New Music meet... "Proliferation of garbage" , It's a "vicious circle"

NEW YORK: As one delegate put it: "I've finally realised that these seminars are never interesting. They're money-making propositions, and on that count this one was a winner. The highlight was definitely Stiff's Paul Conroy saying that most of the records he puts out are for the dorks of the world."

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Other reactions to the second annual, two-day New Music Seminar held at the now defunct club, Privates, in Manhattan were similarly cynical. Indeed, the entire event was marred by bickering and rancour between panelists and the audience. As one exasperated person shouted during the chaotic final session on trends in music: "We need a lot less hostility and a lot more information."

With over 700 registrants — more than twice the number in attendance last year — Rock Pool Promotions, the organiser of the seminar, was quick to hail it as a success, citing the 100 panellists, 11 panel sessions, and both live and video showcases.

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panel sessions, and both live and video showcases.

Others were disturbed at the level of anger which dominated many of the sessions. In particular, there was one on US radio that found Lee Abrams, whose superstar format has been hugely successful all around the country, pitted against proponents of new music, who complained of radio's lack of responsiveness to new groups and new

complained of radio's lack of responsiveness to new groups and new types of music. That session deteriorated into a shouting match, but the venom was also apparent in other forums too.

In his brief eight-minute keynote speech, Stiff's Dave Robinson bemoaned the state of US album-orientated-radio (AOR) as being in "the grip of a group of programmers who have stifled the music". He predicted that A&R would face difficult times in the next few years, especially as alternative systems such as Warner AmEx's cable music channel are developed.

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One of the invenest debates occurred at the independent labels session, which included panelists Scott Piering (Rough Trade), Martin Mills (Beggars Banquet), Tony Wilson (Factory), Iain McNay (Cherry Red), Paul Conroy (Stiff), Danny Glass (Sam), Stan Hoffman (Prelude), John Montgomery (MSI), Bobby Robinson (Enjoy), and Marty Scott (Jem).

By IRA MAYER

While the panel's consensus was that indie labels have undergone a dramatic turnaround for the better during the last three years, especially in the UK, there were major disagreements over whether the successful techniques of the UK indie label could be duplicated in the US, whether the single is a viable tool for indie labels in the US

market, and over the role of the indie label itself.

Iain McNay, who has placed three records in the UK Top 40 without airplay, said the role of the indie was not to get records on radio, but to "issue records you enjoy". He said that, even with the limited capital most indie owners have, judicious marketing will have

asignificant impact.

Similarly, Tony Wilson suggested that, by pressing only a limited number of copies of a single and distributing it in one town or region, a label can build a base that will spread across the nation, and eventually overseas. But he conceded that albums were truly necessary for an indie label to earn a liveable wage.

Scott Piering said that indie singles face a difficult road in the US because the single here is "still seen as a speciality item". This assertion was countered by Bobby Robinson, who insisted that, for about \$5,000 (£2,660) an indie can produce "the very best single" and get it played on juke-boxes and in clubs — the prime vehicles by which

ridle singles break in the US.

Piering, however, caused the biggest stir when he said that there were too many singles being released now, resulting in a "proliferation of garbage" and making it difficult for the consumer to determine what's good or bad.

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Jim Fouratt, formerly of the now closed Hurrah and Dancetaria operations, responded angrily that it would take "three to five years for an indie distribution system such as Rough Trade to develop in the US", and that because of that fact, people such as Piering should be "encouraging, not discouraging" growth. Needless to say, Fouratt was applauded wildly.

Later, at a talent and booking session, Fouratt and former Hurrah associate Ruth Polsky charged that the small club scene in New York, which first offered new wave hands a showcase here, has been dying

associate Ruth Polsky charged that the small club scene in New York, which first offered new wave bands a showcase here, has been dying because of the "encroachment of the music business, hungry managers and hungry agents" into the club scene.

Ian Copeland of Frontier Booking, who claims credit for bringing many new wave UK bands to the US, establishing an informal network of small clubs where they could appear — the only route to go for keeping costs down, according to him — replied that "major establishments have jumped in whether you like it or not, and the fact that bands are moving into bigger venues is not necessarily bad".

Rob Hallett of the Derek Block Agency added: "It's idealistic to think bands would want to come here and lose money just so they'd be able to play the trendiest clubs."

Does all this sound familiar? A lot of once "little guys" who used to complain about the "big guys" deciding that being big guys isn't so bad after all, while the new little guys complain about the new big guys. It's a vicious circle.

guys. It's a vicious circle.

SHORTS: No confirmation that Al Coury is leaving RSO to head his own label at Elektra, whence the first release would be the Tom Petty-produced Del Shannon LP, according to industry tipster Kal Rudman . . . Ampex is withdrawing from the US blank consumer audio tape market and entering a joint venture with Japan's Konishiroku Photo Industry to market similar tapes on an otherwise global basis.

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OPINION

WRITE TO: OPINION, MUSIC & VIDEO WEEK, 40 LONG ACRE, LONDON WC2. The Editor reserves the right to shorten or edit letters.

The threat by WEA managing director CHARLES LEVISON to withdraw his company's support of the industry chart has been well-chronicled, but in this article he expands on the reasons for giving notice and explains the improvements he would like to see made in the charts and the industry in general.

I BELIEVE that the record industry—and by this I include artists, managers, record companies, publishers, wholesalers and retailers—has spent far too much of its time looking inward.

We have occupied ourselves with internal chart and market share arguments when we should have been considering whether we could miantain or increase our share of overall leisure expenditure — or to put it another way, whether we could better serve a wider public.

There is clearly an enormous body

of people who have grown up in a music-orientated culture, who have bought records in varying quantities at one stage in their lives, who still enjoy music and yet who are not encouraged, or are even actively discouraged, from buying records in the current environment.

We must find ways to reach these

people, to tell them what albums are available and to make it attractive

for them to buy records again.
It is in this context that we should examine the benefits of, and our attitudes to, the charts.

For many years the singles chart has dominated discussions of the record business in the UK, both within the industry and in public. It is time to declare forcefully that this emphasis has led to misrepresentation of the industry, which is harmful and costly to everyone within it, and which obscures much of the enjoyment and benefit which we and the public at large could obtain from the record

The singles chart deals with an instant success phenomenon. We should all be more concerned about long term artist development and, if we were, I believe that the public, with appropriate stimulus and information, would respond by buying more albums.

Marketing tool

Having said that, should there be any charts at all?

First, it is argued that charts are useful as a guide to what the British public is buying (or listening to):

- for other members of the public;
 for overseas record companies to
- assist them in release scheduling; for radio and television stations to assist in planning their music

programming.
Essentially they are a promotional and marketing tool for the record industry and the broadcasting industry. There is no doubt that chart programmes on radio and television attract higher than average

However, any overseas company, or local radio or television station, that pays too much attention to a chart is abdicating its own proper role in assessing the needs of its own market-place and is liable to get into difficulties in the long run if it places too much

Secondly, charts — if accurate — should be a useful tool for record companies, wholesalers and retailers



CHARLES LEVISON

controlling

Both of these are good reasons to justify the existence of charts.

The next questions are:

- Who should provide the chart (or charts)?
- How should the charts be compiled (airplay or sales-based or a mixture of both)?

 How accurate should the
- charts be?

For promotional purposes it really shouldn't matter to the record industry how accurate the charts are. The individual compilers of the charts and the broadcasters who use them should be concerned as to their accuracy, for their own credibility

Accurate charts

So far as the record industry is concerned on this issue, the variety of charts, Melody Maker, New Musical Express, Music & Video Week, Record Business, etc. should only provide greater opportunities

for exposure.

However, if we as an industry want accurate charts for production and stock-control purposes, we should pay for them if we are not satisfied as to the accuracy of anyone else's chart. How then, do we achieve an

How then, do we achieve an accurate industry chart?

In my view the current system does not produce an accurate chart, either for albums or singles. This is not a criticism of the current chart compilers, BMRB, who do their best within the limitations set by the industry, Music & Video Week and the BBC. It is a criticism of all of us for not analysing our business aims for not analysing our business aims in more detail. We are currently variety investigating a

- alternatives.

 Increasing the size of the chart panel of dealers. This would cost money. Would dealers be prepared to pay, say £400 per annum, to be on the chart panel? Should the names of dealers on the panel be published? Would this in any eyent lead to any greater. any event lead to any greater
- accuracy than at present?

 Decreasing the size of the panel, but introducing more security and a different reporting system to ensure more accuracy in each store.

 Introducing an aimit
- Introducing an airplay ling system, ie combining weighting system, ie combining airplay and sales information in the

chart to produce a chart showing "what is happening in the record industry in the United Kingdom" rather than "what is happening to record sales".

Having two industry charts; (a) The sales only chart — say Top 40 only (or whatever length can be produced with reasonable accuracy) with an improved system on the lines described above, plus

(b) The airplay only chart — say
Top 100 — based on an agreed
airplay weighting formula.
It is too early to say which of these
alternatives or others, which may be

suggested, will be most effective in improving the accuracy of both the singles and album charts, but I feel they merit full discussion within the industry, not just in the narrow confines of the current chart subscribers. I am hopeful that such discussion can provide a satisfactory solution. However,

the important issue for the industry is the one I referred to at the beginning of this letter — that the focus, both for the industry and for the media, should be on albums and artists and not on single records.

There is at least as wide a market

in this country for music as there is for books. But, almost all media attention for records is focused on the narrow singles market. The major daily and Sunday newspapers contain few column inches of album reviews and concert reviews. compared to the space given to books, opera, ballet, theatre and film, which are all smaller minority art forms. Television has book and film review programmes but no album review programmes — Top Of The Pops will only feature chart

Record stores have come to be regarded as places that the young singles buyers visit, but they are not attractive places for the older album buyer. The public is being denied access to a medium that it clearly enjoys. Artistic talent is being denied the opportunity to develop through under-exposure in a market which in the past has given great export opportunities to this country.

In addition to the absolutely essential introduction of a blank tape levy, there are other steps we can take to improve the quality and profitability of the record industry in this country. Let us take them

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ey should remember that without a record industry there would be reducited.

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CLIVE STANHOPE, general manager, Trojan Recordings, High Street, Harlesden.

'For promotional purposes it really shouldn't matter to the record industry how accurate the charts are'

PERFORMANCE



LEFT TO RIGHT: Thais Clark, Sylvia and Topsy Chapman on One Mo' Time.

One Mo' Time

IT IS probably one of the most infectious shows currently running in the West End, and certainly one of the brightest — One Mo' Time, which opened at the Cambridge Theatre last Tuesday for a limited-run, features "Bertha Williams and her touring company" in 1926 New Orleans, and a treasure-trove of black vaudeville songs which stick in the mind long after the show has

The show is roughly based on the

The Roches

ACOUSTIC MUSIC is as far from fashion at the moment as monetarism but that didn't stop The Roches, three sisters from New York, packing out the fashion conscious Venue recently with a set of perfectly harmonised acoustic

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Terre, Maggie and Suzzy Roche write witty, ironic lyrics. They point out the absurdities of life and sing come about the scheme of entire. songs about the problems of getting health foods in strife torn Ireland with heartfelt sincerity while singing their own version of The Hallelujah Chorus with bored indifference.

The Venue audience recognised each song from the first chord and roused the sisters to an exhuberant performance which they broke up with their own brand of wry, often 'Kuumba'' Williams, Vernal Bagneris real-life Lyric Theatre in New Orleans, home of black vaudeville until the theatre was destroyed by fire in 1927. Bertha and her company are in town to perform,

Rider, He's Funny That Way, After You've Gone, Muskrat's Ramble and He's In The Jailhouse Now. Musical highlight of the evening proved to be You've Got The Right But The Wrong Keyhole, sung with plenty of innuendo, but in fact

and it is an opportunity to hear such classics as Black Bottom, Cake Walkin' Babies From Home, C C

there isn't one dud song in the show. WEA has released the album of the show (Warners K56850) and certainly this is one West End production that should pull in the crowds during the next few weeks.

CHRIS WHITE

Johnny Mars

THE LAST few months have seen blues harmonica player Johnny Mars grow enormously in terms of stage confidence, so much so that when he topped the bill at The Venue last Wednesday he seemed like a different performer to the one.

Venue last Wednesday he seemed like a different performer to the one who had been playing small London pubs not too long before.

It was Mars' fourth appearance at The Venue — two supporting and two topping — and he has rapidly built me following. It had a property to the property of t two topping — and he has rapidly built up a following. He had people on their feet almost from the first number, and was even joined onstage by about two dozen fans halfway through his act.

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His set consists of a mixture of R&B classics, such as When A Man Loves A Woman, and his own compositions. Two songs in particular stand out — Mighty Mars and If I Had A Woman, both of which featured on his recently-released album Mighty Mars (ISP) released album, Mighty Mars (JSP

Records 1023).

The next few months will be crucial — while Mars is a good stage performer, he needs a breakthrough

CHRIS WHITE



THE ROCHES: Witty, ironic lyrics on the absurdities of life.

mock-coy sense of humour. And they were joined on stage later in the evening by friend and mentor Robert Fripp on guitar.

The Roches are already a critical success, both here and in the US,

but with this present UK tour and the prospect of another album on WEA, they could also be posed for the commercial success they so richly

DANNY VAN EMDEN

the Green Paper would have made a hilarious episode of Yes Minister with Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Reginald Eyre batting most of the questions simply by quoting chunks of the document, refusing to be drawn into any useful in-depth discussion and bringing in the uniformly grey-suited civil servants flanking him whenever he fielded a question which he didn't understand . . . Even some of the questioners didn't understand their own questions, notably one gentleman from the FT who predicted the annihilation of the entire video industry if a spoiler signal was legalised — only to have it pointed out that the spoiler signal is only suggested for audio tapes . . . The Green Paper, of course, covers many copyright subjects other than home-taping and the press conference questions ranged from music to computer programming to motor car parts but, sadly, no-one asked a question about jugglers and acrobats who, it is proposed, should get performers' rights protection . . . And we spotted at least three infiltrators among the journalists — Lesley Bray (PRS), Paul Braithwaite (Saatchis) and Michael Kuhn, PolyGram and the BVA's legal eagle who actually had the temerity to ask a question but, like most of us, couldn't

NEW BAND called **OK Jive** with its roots in African rhythms given own-label deal by CBS Epic and debut this Friday with a given own-label deal by CBS Epic and debut this Friday with a single, To You on the Frenzy label . . . Boffins from the CBS Inc Technology Centre flying into London this week for demonstrations of CBS' new CX noise reduction system . . . The Banqueting House in Whitehall was the impressive venue for the Mechanical Copyright Protection Society's celebratory party last week in honour of the MPA's centenary . . . Decca has chosen the Piccadilly Circus Wimpy Bar for the launch of As The Time Goes By single by Funkapolitan, first UK signing to the London Records label . . . MW's man in New York, Ira Mayer, survived gun-point hold-up at 2am in Manhattan on way home from a gig gun-point hold-up at 2am in Manhattan on way home from a gig
... Following a mention in MW, Yorkshire expatriates in
various parts of the world sent in entries in the Song For
Yorkshire competition being organised by Peter Pan Music of Barnsley . . . Spear Records sent out 300 bottles of German sparkling wine to media people to introduce the Melanie Harrold single, Drink The Wine.

STIFF RECORD'S Sonnie Rae is receiving some interesting calls since a trickster advertised her private line telephone number as a massage parlour . . . Capital Radio's Jazz Festival must be the most advertised non-event in the music industry calendar following cancellation last year due to Ally Pally fire and this year for fear of riots . . Anyone feeling deprived can go along to Dobell's Jazz Record Shop to view David Redfern's Capital Jazz photographic exhibition instead . . . And what chance the Reggae Festival in Battersea Park next month also being cancelled if unrest continues? . . . Record Merchandisers' lads should look well-fed this week following conference at swish Chateau Impney near Droitwich last Friday.

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Obituary

Dick Tatham, has died as a result of stomach cancer. Dick started writing about pop

music in the early days of Record
Mirror under the editorship of
Issy Green, moved to Disc and
then became a freelance and
sustained his career, through countless changes in music fads, until his death.

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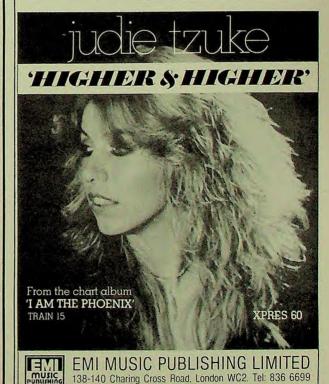
As a freelance he was best known for his work for the Dundee Courier and My Weekly and several pop biography books. His craggy face, usually cracked with a smile, was a familiar sight at record company press receptions and he could because he relied unon to seek out.

press receptions and he could always be relied upon to seek out the artist for an interview conducted always with gentlemanly politeness and fastidious questioning.

He had a fund of hilarious ancedotes which would be off retold at the legendary Dick Tatham Christmas lunches, and a vast, priceless library of press releases and biographies filed at a vast, pitcless library of piess releases and biographies filed at his home which he would generously allow his "fellow hacks" to consult when stuck for

a fact or date.

Dick will be remembered with





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