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THE FLYING Pickets celebrated their competition winner John Eyre "snatch" over £1,000 worth of records from the Virgin Megastore, Pictured with Eyre and the group are PR Jennie Halsall, store manager Torn Smith and Virgin Stores MD Johnny Fewings.

Sales point to bright Christmas

By TERRI ANDERSON

ALL THE early signs are pointing to a very good Christmas in the record trade with turnover and profit appreciably higher than in 1982. Not only are records and tapes selling very well - after a better autumn period than for some years - but music videos are proving a very strong line in shops which are working on

The Cambridge-based Andy's chain reports a sharp rise in music video sales, along with generally improved record and tape sales. Director Billy Gray says that although the chain has been selling music videos all along, "we only really got serious about it in the summer,

THE ZOMBA Group's studio arm, Battery, is undergoing extensive expansion with large-scale plans to build a new 48-track studio — with video and film editing facilinext door to the existing Battery complex.

Battery has also bought a US mobile studio in Los Angeles and shipped it out to Botswana to record exiled black South African artists for the Jive Afrika label.

• Further details of both projects in Studioscene, p

and the way it has taken off is absolutely excellent"

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John Fewings, Virgin Retail MD, admits that his company's "ban" on Christmas has not stopped it happening. "It's going fantastically well," he says. "I was a little nervous a few weeks ago that we might not be able to maintain the good sales we have had during the autumn, and might not be able to achieve an improvement on last Christmas (which was for us much better than 1981). But it seems that it will be a very good end of the

Fewings add that even a full three weeks before Christmas the London Megastore appeared to have had its

best trading week ever.

As well as records and tapes,

Virgin's hi-fi departments are doing very well this season. There has been a rise in the sale of CD players, so the shops are expecting a jump in CD sales to follow — although at present CD is not paying its way in their stores while vinyl and tape is soaring ahead.

HMV and Our Price both report good seasons, and generally good years; and both are congratulating the industry on keeping up a flow of high quality product. HMV MD lan Gray estimates that sales this Christmas will top last year by about five per cent, even if the whole year's sales are slightly down, and says: "What started it off was the release of some very strong product in late summer and early autumn, which revived the record buying

"But the industry is perpetuating the Christmas boom by concentrating its good releases in this quarter, making things ver competitive for individual titles.

Our Price director Mike Isaacs says his company is "very happy" with sales. "We obviously have high targets and aspirations at Christmas and generally we are ahead of them this year." He points out that this year's extra trading day in the pre-Christmas period would obviously prove of great benefit to everyone.

Our Price can also expect its end of year figures to be improved to some small extent by the three new shops which opened last week — in London's East Ham, Gillingham in Kent, and Oxford.

Indies concerned over weighting system

Levy raps Gallup over Rat single

CONFUSION AND suspicion generated by the chart "weighting" system applied by Gallup appears to

system applied by Gallup appears to be coming to a head as Gallup completes the first year of its contract to compile the chart.

Last week Magnet Records managing director Michael Levy firmly rapped Gallup over Roland Rat's Rat Rapping single, which after three weeks climbing the chart, dropped from 33 to 34 — and more than a dozen small labels and independent distributors met in independent distributors met in London two weeks ago to discuss mutual grievances over the Gallup

Referring to Roland Rat, Levy told Music Week: "We believe that the record was incorrectly and unfairly weighted. It should have gone higher and would then have made a TOTP and gone higher still

"This whole weighting system is causing uncertainty and very bad feeling. As far as we are concerned, they may have buried a record, and they may have butted a fector, and it certainly is not healthy for the industry as a whole. We have written to Gallup asking for further explanations as to how the system works and then we will consider

what we may do.
"Do they check the whole Top 75 or only certain records? On what basis do they choose records to be checked? We understand that the checked? We understand that the BBC has prepared a paper that indi-cates the check system is inferior to the main chart system." Gallup's chart manager Godfrey Rust commented: "The Roland Rat

record was treated exactly as every other record. Details of how our weighting and check systems work were distributed to BPI companies

six months ago."

Meanwhile a number of indie labels and distributors are putting their names to a letter to Gallup demanding to know more of how the check system works. MW also understands that they will be lobbying for representation on the BPI Council. There is a feeling that "the majors pay their salaries" and therefore have greater clout than the small labels when it comes to "taking Gallup to task".

The problem is rooted in the Gallup check system of telephoning non-chart shops after the data from

the chart panel has been run.

This phone-out is intended to check on "general availability" of records and "target marketing" activities. Depending on the results of the check, a record may be down-weighted in the published chart.

BPI figures show trade in good shape

THE CONFIDENT mood of retailers as the year's trading draws to a close is paralleled by an unusually buoyant report from the BPI on the industry's third quarter figures, and director general John Deacon is moved to state confidently that "record com-panies are well poised to take advantge of the usual Christmas upsurge of sales".

The balance sheet of UK record

and tape deliveries to the trade for the July-September period has a far higher ratio of plus signs to minus signs than we have become accustomed to.

The upward curve in sales of albums on both LP and cassettes show a 12 per cent rise since March, and though LP sales alone levelled out, cassettes continue their growth, putting on 19.4 per cent over last year's comparative quarter. and the ratio of LP to cassette sales is now 4:3.

"Retail activity in all industries has increased by five per cent in the past 12 months, and this is mirrored in deliveries of records and tapes to the retail trade," says Deacon. "But most encouraging is the fact that in the past half year, turnover for record companies has gone up by over 10 per cent."

All is not euphoria, though. Singles sales fell by 11.6 per cent, and LP sales did not go up "as much as they could reasonably have expected, due as ever to the pernicious habit of home-taping, but coupled with the high level unemployment amongst yo

people".
The BPI statistics committee takes the view that lower singles sales can be attributed to some extent to the slightly smaller number of new acts attractive to the 15-19 age range, and this group in itself seems range, and this group in itself seems to be becoming less dominant in the fashion market (which is declining proportionately), and fashion impetus may be moving to the album market.

The figures for July-September 1983 summarised: singles (seven and 12-inch) totalled 17,165,000 compared with 19,412,000 in the compared with 19,412,000 in the same quarter last year; LPs totalled 11,196,000 (10,856,000); cassettes totalled 8,159,000 (6,836,000); combined LPs and cassettes totalled 19,355,000 (17,692,000). The total value of all product was £61,271,000 (£55,577,000), up by 10.3 per cent

Returns controversy

MANUFACTURERS' RETURNS policies have always been a sensitive subject with dealers, and recently the companies have been tightening up their terms. The latest is WEA whose new list of conditions has caused some resentment in the trade. TERRI ANDERSON examines the issues in Retailing, p 10.



Japanese opportunity

NEW OPPORTUNITIES for music videos in Japan have been opened up following a deal between Victor Musical Industries Inc (VMI) and the

Industries Inc (VMI) and the Anglo-Japanese company KO-Operation Ltd.
The leisure consultancy division of KO-Operation has been appointed by VMI to represent them in the UK and represent them in the ok and Europe for the acquisition of video software programming for release in Japan in cassette and video disc formats.

"We would like to hear "We would like to near from producers and com-panies with material available for release," said KO's London-based managing

director, Olav Wyper.
KO-Operation is based at 17
Priory Road, London NW6 (Tel: 01-624 1384).

BPI nominates 23 for awards

have been nominated by BPI members for the 1984 British Record Industry Awards. Five pop producers are also nominated as well as British classical recordings.

The nominations are:

Best British Male Artist: David

Bowie, Elton John, Paul McCartney, Cliff Richard, Paul Young. Best British Female Artist: Annie

Lennox, Alf Moyet, Toyah, Bonnie Tyler, Tracey Ullman. Best British Group: Culture Club, Eurythmics, Madness, Police, UB40. Best British Newcomer: Big

Best British Newcomer: Big Country, Howard Jones, Tracey Ullman, Wham!, Paul Young. Best International Artist/Group: Darryl Hall and John Oates, Michael Jackson, Billy Joel, Men At Work, Liccel Pichie

record on the national **Direct selling**

disco-dance chart is no real surprise

in view of the comparable fortunes

Collins, Trevor Horn, Langer and Winstanley, Steve Lewis, Steve

Hotel on February 9, 1984. Her short-order deposal of Michael Jackson at the top of the

The winners will be announced at the British Record Industry Awards Dinner at the Grosvenor House

UNORTHODOX SALES methods one being used to launch the first release by an unknown singer, Mike Anderson. He is the first signing to new company Goldbar Music.

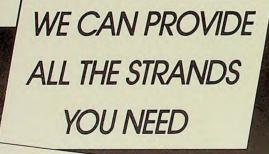
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Songs For Someone You Love, which is available in cassette format only, will be sold direct to the public, and to record retailers, so by-passing the usual distribution network, according to Goldbar director, John Riley.

Riley is setting up a nationwide distribution network of direct-sales teams "following the success of a London sales drive, directed at shop and office staff, restaurants and

The Anderson tape, which features a mixture of standards and his own material, has a dealer price of £2.50, and is being offered on sale-or-return terms. Riley is planning a London launch for the singer, whose music has featured on Channel Four's Nightcap

TOKYO: Shakatak are pictured receiving gold discs for having sold more than 1m albums in Japan within a year. The presentation took place during the band's recent sold-out 20-concert tour of Japan and seen with the group are market traders".



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Murdoch buys into WCI

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NEW YORK: Wall Street and entertainment industry observers alike are speculating about Rupert Murdoch's "real" intentions in the purchase of a large block of shares in Warner Communications. Murdoch, who owns the New York Post and the London Times as well as Australia's Festival Records, bought close to 4½m shares of WCl at a cost of approximately \$100m (£69,4m) between October 4 and November 11 of this year.

Necessary filings with the US Securities & Exchange Commission state that there is not takeover interest on Murdoch's part, but that his holding company reserves the right "to take any action" should events suggest a detrimental impact on his holding. Part of the investment community's scepticism stems from the fact that Murdoch's dealings have been represented by the same company which handled the Columbia Pictures sale to Coca Cola in 1982. Others believe the Murdoch move really is an investment-only posture.

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He also has a top entertainment industry executive in his ranks in former Sony and PolyGram exec Harvey Schein, who served briefly at WCl as well. Schein was hired to help launch Murdoch's foray into direct broadcast satellite transmission, a service which was to have started before the end of the year, but which has been put on indefinite hold. Most observers believe Murdoch has abandoned that field.

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Warner, which has been judged vulnerable to a takeover because of its poor showing in home computers and games of late, has stated repeatedly that it would fight any hostile takeover bids.

RADIO SALES International, the US ad representative for Radio Caroline, expects to reach an ad base of \$10m (£6.9m) next year, the bulk from US-based international advertisers paying anything from \$325 (£226) for a 10-second spot to \$1,170 (£813) for

The station is scheduled to resume airing commercials on The station is scheduled to resume airing commercials on December 19. RSI admits to having great difficulty in landing accounts because there is no concept of what pirate radio is here, and because most companies don't know where to budget the trans national image ads.

COUNTRY MUSIC sales are stalled at two to three per cent of the overall market in the UK and West Europe, according to Country Music Association London head Jana Talbot. Talbot was in Nashville to discuss expanded research into the potential for country music in Europe with the CMA and other industry executives.

THE FEDERAL Trade Commission has 20 days from the time it receives information requested from WCI and PolyGram to decide whether it will approve or reject the companies' proposed merger. The request was submitted in mid-November, but so far there is no word from either company as to whether they've supplied the required information.

THE AMERICAN Federation of Musicians won some increase in session fees, improved health and welfare benefits, continuation session fees, improved realitration were are bettered, continuous of video clip session fees negotiated last May, and a small increase in "voluntary" contributions by record labels to a special payments and trust fund. The deal is subject to final ratification by the AFM membership during the first week of

Musical Chairs

ARIOLA INTERNATIONAL has appointed Rick Blaskey director of international artist development, based in London and reporting to
Dorus Sturm, vice-president,
marketing and A & R co-ordination.
Blaskey has been artist development manager with Arista/Ariola UK for the past three years . Alan McBlane promoted to Polydor pop product manager, from the Polydor strike force . . Matt Nicholson strike force . . Matt Nicholson has joined Scratch Records as label manager . . Indie label Zap International Records has appointed Bruce Langley as assistant A & R manager, based at the company's Harrogate office . . . Richard Findlay, managing director of Radio Forth will be the next chairman of Forth, will be the next chairman of the Association Of Independent Radio Contractors, taking over from Terry Smith . . . Paul Brown, formerly programme director at Radio Victory, is to be head of radio programming at the IBA.

Name change for Virr

TO AVOID confusion, the various companies headed by David Virr, which include the record labels Graduate and Ready Steady Gol, and the publishing company Graduate Music, will be known collectively as The Virr Group. Each company will however retain its own individual identity. At the same time, Virr has severed all connections with the Graduate Retail operation. Virr Group is based at Chaddesley House, 196 Wolverhampton Street, Dudley, West Midlands DY1 1DZ (0384 59048/211159)

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Top changes at PolyGram

POLYGRAM RECORD Operations is strengthening its senior management team from January 1, 1984, with a number of appointments and promotions being implemented by PRO commercial director Clive

Peter Rezon is appointed general sales manager, pop repertoire, with overall responsibility for the com-bined strike force (London, Phonogram and Polydor), field promotion, key accounts, sales promotion, key accounts, sales administration and the pre-sales team. Rezon was formerly merchandising manager at PRO and has also worked at EMI and WEA.

With Barry Griffiths (general manager IMS/export/special projects) and Ralph Smedley (general reasonary classical extended as lease).

manager classical catalogue salest, Rezon makes up PolyGram's senior sales management team. Under Rezon, new appointments include the promotion of **Duncan** Robertson to manager, combined strike force, and Paul Hodgetts succeeds him as manager of the Phonogram strike force; Nigel Haywood moves from area manager to head of the pre-sales team. Barry Barnes continues as display manager and Bob Hedgecock as key account/sales administration manager.

Ex-manager appeals against Gilbert O'Sullivan ruling

Based at VCL-owned Scorpio Studio in Euston Tower (below Capital Radio) and named after it, the Scorpio Sound and Vision production company is being headed by Steve Webber of VCL.

The aim is to offer sound recording

and/or concert video production to new and developing artists.

The VCL record label may be reactivated, but it is more likely that the sound-only LP and singles product will be offered to existing

labels in production deals, whil music videos will be put out on VCL

GILBERT O'SULLIVAN'S £7m court victory in a contract dispute with his ex-manager had given him far more than he was entitled to, a QC argued in the Court of Appeal last week

Under a High Court ruling won by O'Sullivan in May last year, his former manager Gordon Mills was entitled to no reward at all for what he had done for the singer, said

Michael Miller, QC.

"To give Mr O'Sullivan so much is to compensate him for losses he has not suffered," said the QC, opening Mills' appeal against the judgement. The High Court judge's finding that Mills had bought O'Sullivan at "bargain basement prices" and had exploited and fleeced him was completely unjustified, he said "Even more damaging were findings of fraud and deceit which had never been alleged by Mr O'Sullivan," said Miller.

Mr Justice Mars-Jones had given O'Sullivan the copyright of all his songs, plus the master copies of his records. He also ruled that agreements made with Mills and his company were illegal, and ordered accounts to be

taken of all profits made from songs and performances under the agreements.

That judgment was worth more than £7m, including interest, Miller told Lords Justices Waller, Dunn and Fox. It had put O'Sullivan in the position of having enjoyed the full benefit of Mills' services free for many years. Miller said it was accepted that Mills did not discharge his duty to advise O'Sullivan to seek independent advice before signing contracts. "We are not trying to say he should not be recompensed for the injury we have done him," he

But the judgment had left Mills and the companies without any reward and put O'Sullivan in a better position than he would otherwise have been in. He had had the benefit of their exploitation and they should not be left with nothing.

The appeal by Mills, his company, Management Agency And Music Ltd, and other subsidiary companies, continues at a later date after the judges have read the documents in the case.

Zomba coup

ZOMBA BOOKS has pulled off a publishing coup in the US by taking direct response advertising on the MTV cable channel for its publication, Who's Who In Rock Video.

"This is the first time that a book has been made available through direct response on cable television in the US. It stems from months of close co-operation between Music Television and Zomba Books," said Cathy O'Bryan-Tear, marketing and

publicity manager. Zomba expects a "mass response" to the title, geared as it is towards MTV's target audiences.

Govt to act on copyright before EEC

THE GOVERNMENT has conirmed its determination bring in copyright reform in the UK without waiting for the proposed European Commission memorandum on harmonisation of copyright.

In a written Commons answer, Under Secretary Of State for Trade and Industry, Alex Fletcher, said that the government "would have preferred to have seen the memorandum" but added that it is committed to reform of copyright legislation "as soon as possible"

"Some difficult issues remain to be settled and will take time, but legislative proposals will not be delayed to await the memorandum, unless this is known to be immiment," said Fletcher.

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Sight and sound for VCL

THE RAPIDLY-expanding music video market is likely to be cornered by the major record labels, as they have all the big selling video artists.

This assessment of the current position in music and video has led VCL to set up a new division to seek

Ice skating music on Safari SAFARI RECORDS is releasing The Music Of Torvill & Dean — including Bolero and Barnum On Ice — used by champion skaters Torvill & Dean in their new routine revealed at the British championships last month.

championships last month.

The single, performed by the Mike Reed Orchestra, is available in 12inch and 7-inch and it will have widespread TV exposure via the
European Championships (January 9-14, Budapest), Winter
Olympics (February 7-19, Sarajrvo) and the World Championships (March 19-24, Ottawa).

Status quo upheld

CONFUSION OVER the definition of CONFUSION OVER the definition of a 7-inch single for chart purposes has been clarified following last week's BPI Council meeting. Effectively, the council decided to retain the old rules and not to introduce an amendment which would have barred certain multi-track singles — notably several on the new Pickwick Scoop label — from chart qualification. Pickwick's Monty Lewis later declared that he was "delighted" with the outcome. was "delighted" with the outcome.

Wonder single

STEVIE WONDER'S Birthday single is being re-issued on a 12-inch backed with extracts from four speeches by Martin Luther King and is being rush-released to com-memorate the decision by the US

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government to establish "Martin Luther King Day" from January 15, next year. The A side track was ally a number two hit in the UK in 1981, but Wonder refused permission for its release in the US until agreement was reached on a Martin Luther King day.

Market share

SOME MARKET share figures for the third quarter were incorrectly compiled by Gallup. The correct figures should read: in the singles/companies section — Virgin 10.3 (not 11.8), Phonogram 6.5 (not 4.8); in the albums/companies section — Virgin 5.3 (not 6.0), Phonogram 7.2 (not 6.5).

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Indie music company plans radio station

PLANS FOR a new music radio station, Radio Zapl International, are expected to be completed this week with the first programmes to be broadcast on New Year's Eve. The station will not have advertising spots for the first three months, and there will be no disc jockey

controlling music output.

The new station is being launched by Zapl International, a UK music company which includes a record label. Dale Hargreaves, one of those behind the scheme, said last week: "We are negotiating with several European radio networks in the hope that the station will be heard across Europe by December 31. RZI will not be a pirate station - everything is being done quite legally; we are hoping to establish a totally new concept."

He said Radio Zap! was structured "on the basis that

most of the general public are fed up with disc jockeys

spoiling good music". Programmes will mainly feature uninterrupted dance music. "We're planning to use various recording studios in London, and want to create a various recording studios in London, and want to create a party atmosphere where pop celebrities will be invited to appear on the shows, playing their favourite records and talking to the radio audience as if they were also guests at a large and fun-filled party."

Initial financial backing is coming from an as yet un-named US radio consortium who, if the experiment is successful, plan to repeat it there. "There will be no advertising between programmes, no time checks, news or weather reports," Hargreaves added. "RZI will operate an open format of broadcasting."

Zanl plans five hours of airtime each Friday and

BPI greets cable Bill

Cable and Broadcasting Bill which will give the diffusion rights as the film industry, and is seen as a possible pointer for future copyright revision. But the BPI will be lobbying for a change n what it describes as an 'illogical'' difference between public performance rights for music and films, as contained in the Bill, and will be seeking to have this point debated.

BBC clears Top Of The Pops video

A HOME Video using Top Of The Pops clips has been cleared for release by BBC Enterprises this month following interim agreements over rights between the BBC and the record companies whose acts are featured on the tape. But talks continue for future home video cassettes based on appearances on BBC programmes.

EMI 'unhappy' about **Duran tour promotion**

EMI RECORDS is "not happy" that free blank cassettes are being given away with programmes on the current UK tour by its top act Duran Duran, said a spokesman last week, revealing that EMI had the chance to be associated in sponsoring the tour but turned it down because "we would rather not be involved with a company giving away blank tape."

The tour is being sponsored by Japanese electronics company Sony which has a merchandising force at each venue giving away blank cassettes to each buyer of a programme. The cassette contains a brief "message" from the

Sony's activities at the concerts were described by The Times last week as "the blatant intrusion of what many record business executives regard as the potential agent of their destruction: home-taping on blank cassettes."

Sony has offered the view that by supporting tours it is helping to put money back into the record business, whereas many record companies have cut back on "tour support" payments in recent years.

"EMI does not sponsor tours," EMI's head of press and promotion, Brian Southall, told *Music Week*, but he added that the company had "made its feelings known" to the group.

At presstime, MW had not been able to contact the group's management

Priceless forecast

PHONOGRAM IS targetting 500,000 sales by Christmas of its Priceless catalogue series which was launched in April to promote back catalogue at budget price. Two of the most successful titles have been

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(14,000 sales) and Black Sabbath's Technical Ecstacy (12,000), and the 60th title, 10cc's How Dare You,

buth title, loce's now bare fou, was released this month.
Phonogram says it plans to increase the Priceless catalogue to 100 titles and to maintain that as an optimum level for effective

THE SCOTTISH Ross Records company is taking extensive TV advertising in the Grampian and STV areas in the run up to Christmas, with a total of 50 spots over a 35-night period on Grampian and a further 55 ads on Channel Four. Product featured includes Fifty Years On With Jimmy Shand, On That Beautiful Shore by Alistain Murdoch, A Night At The Auld Meal Mill by various artists and On The Country Trail by Manson Grant

BEE GEE Barry Gibb has signed to Polydor as a solo artist, in a deal for two LPs — the first due in summer next year. There are also plans for him to undertake a heavy promotional tour to support the LP. The deal is for the world excluding the US and Canada (where MCA

BETWEEN NOW and Christmas, pressings of the current Slade Top 10 hit My Oh My on RCA will feature an extra track - a live recording of their million-selling hit, Merry

ONE HUNDRED "punk classics" are being marketed in a box set of six albums by Cherry Red's Anagram label. Titled Grime Of The Century, the set has a dealer price of £10,95.

WEA IS extending its relationship with Adidas, sportswear manufacturer, which began with support for the Rod Stewart tour earlier this year and T-shirts being given away with records. This week WEA albums will be given away with Adidas products in a promotion at the Adidas Connection shop in London while Alan Freeman plays latest WEA releases and international football stars sign autographs, and in future all music played in the store will be supplied by WEA. "The close co-operation of the sports and music industries holds enormous crossover potential," says WEA marketing manager Carl Gant . . . Seen in deep animated conversation during the annual BPI Christmas lunch last week - doyen of the traditional record industry L G Wood, and lain MacNay, reactionary representative of the thrusting new indie labels . . . As you carve the Christmas turkey spare a thought for Maurice Oberstein, holidaying this year in New Guinea . . . Re-united: Carole King and her producer from the Seventies, Lou Adler, on new LP Speeding Time; parted after four years producer/composer Deodato and Kool And The Gang, who have produced their latest LP, In The Heart, themselves as a "10-man committee" . . . In formation — a Video Performance Ltd organisation along the lines of PPL, possibly chaired by Michael Kuhn, if the BPI will let him resign as chairman of their rights committee.

VIRGIN RECORDS and Tape Shops' "ban Christmas" commercial voted "ad of the month" by Capital Radio . Worthy of congratulation: Virgin's 10th anniversary spin-off label 10 Records' achieving number one with the Flying Pickets 10 years after Mike Oldfield did it with Tubular Bells for the newly-launched Virgin label . . . According to a press release, David Bowie's Serious Moonlight Tour closed in Auckland, New Zealand "on the highest of high notes, with an emotional farewell that saw the release of two white doves from the stage" — what, only two? . . . Acrimonious mud-slinging going on following the closure of Jukebox and the voluntary liquidation of Transistor Music, which staged it — there's a "trail of angry creditors" according to *The* Stage . . . Thelma Forrester, wife of Panache Music's Malcolm, thanks everyone in the music industry who donated to the Lucy Quick Leukaemia Fund dinner-dance . . . Beach Boy Mike Love has made an Adrian Baker-produced single for Christmas - Jingle Bell Rock/Let's Party on Creole - the first time that a BB has recorded in the UK . . . Radio Luxembourg sales manager **Nigel Mort** has left the company after six years and can be contacted on 0932 54845 . . . A daughter, Grace, to lan and Bron Gillan; a son, William, to Satril Records' Henry Hadaway and wife Torill . . . Lyricist Don Black has three shows running concurrently in the West End - Dear Anyone, Song And Dance and Abracadabra.



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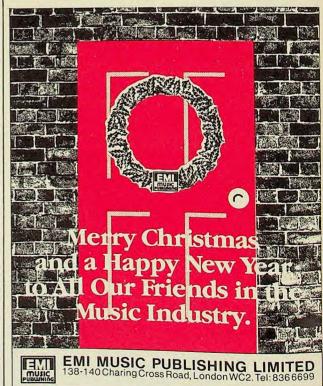
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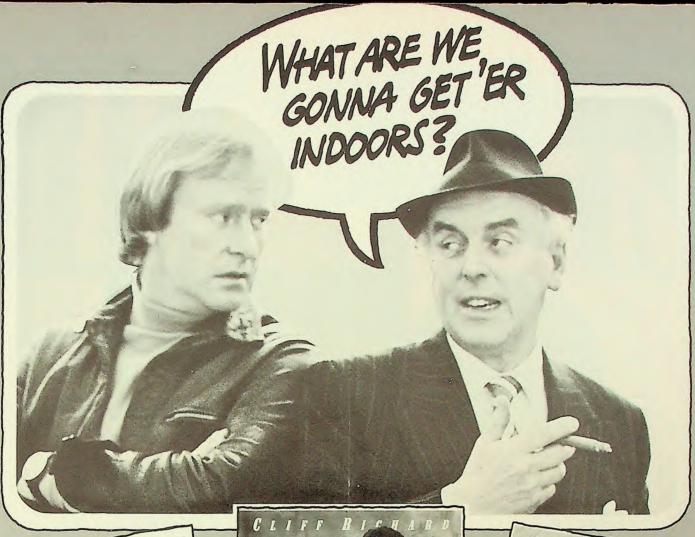
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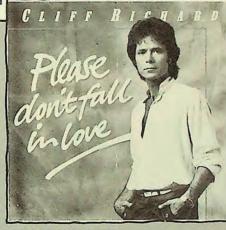
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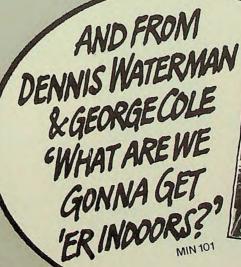
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Compiled from 11 national charts by Tros-Radio, Hilvers



SNOWY WHITE (right), former Pink Floyd and Thin Lizzy guitarist whose Bird Of Paradise single on Towerbell is picking up Radio One airplay, has signed a worldwide management agreement with Robert Lemon and Ron McCreight's R & R Music. Pictured with White are R & R's Lemon, McCreight and Sue Foster. Bird Of Paradise was mistakenly omitted from the MW Radio One list last week. It should have been shown with five plays.



THE AMOUNT on the BBC cheque is for exactly two pence, an agreed special 'fee" for Paul McCartney's contributions to this year's Radio One Merseyside Week. The cheque was handed over by Simon Bates



Disco commentary

By BARRY LAZELL

FULFILLING an earlier prediction in this column, Tina Turner now has Britain's number one dance record

Britain's number one dance record with her Heaven 17-produced Let's Stay Together.
Best British Classical Recording: Britten's War Requiem; Handel's Water Music (Trevor Pinnock/English Concerts); Puccini's La Rondine (Maazel); Songs Of The Auvergne (Kiri te Kanawa/ENO); Tippett's Triple Concerto (LSO/Colin Davis).
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has certainly raised a few eyebrows, including presumably, those of Soho Square marketing men who thought they had the year-end giant

sewn up.
Tony Blackburn, whose current influence over the weekday morning air-waves of London and south-east England just has to be acknow-ledged in respect of promoting soul and dance music, must take a great and dance music, must take a great deal of the initial credit for the instant success of Dayton's The Sound Of Music, which makes a storming chart debut at number

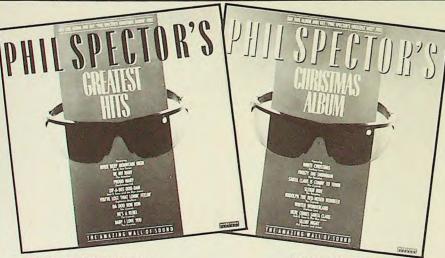
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Also notable is the way in which the buying preferences of DJs and specialist fans, as reflected in the disco/dance charts, have allied themselves to the Blackburn "specials". The hits by Arnie's Love, Major Harris, Cuba Gooding, Eartha Kitt and the Street Angels, have all scored massively in the specialist market whilst crossing much more

scored massively in the specialist market whilst crossing much more moderately to general pop sales and all championed by Tony.

EMI's own efforts with Dayton are not, of course, to be denigrated for the major was commendably quick to spot its commercial potential. As a dual reward, sales of the group's Feel The Music album, after some upfront loss to imports, look like being equally healthy. Finally, the 12-inch to watch for

next week must be the rush-released I Am What I Am by Gloria Gaynor, turning up unexpectedly on Chrysalis (CHS 122765), but so commercial that it is achieving instant across-the-board reaction. Gloria should join Tina, Eartha and Madonna in making it a ladies' start to 1984 at the dance chart top.

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AIRPLAY ACT

TOP BREAKERS (see opposite page for details)
ROB DYLAN – 14 stations; DAYTON – 12

ELAINE PAIGE—Running Back For More—WEA X 9530 (W) A BRMB, Manx B DevonAir, West, Beacon, Chiltern, Mercia Sound, Aire, Pennine * Tay—Hitpick.

SHEILA WALSH—Turn Turn Turn—DJM DJS 5 (C) A BBC Wales B Plymouth Sound, Wiltshire, Wyvern, Essex, Beacon, Pennine, Red Rose, CBC.

ROBERT SLEIGH—First Snow—Stiff BUY 194 (C) A DevonAir, Moray Firth B Luxembourg, 2CR, Victory, Essex, Piccadilly * Red Rose—Hitpick.

THE CLYDESIDERS—Wild Mountain Thyme—Klub KLUB 42 (A) A Moray Firth B Radio 210, Wyvern, BBC Scotland, Tay, CBC.

ADRIAN GURVITZ-Hello Mum-RAK 367 (E) A 2CR, Manx, BBC Wales B Plymouth Sound, Severn Sound, Wyvern.

THE JINGLE BELLES—Christmas Spectre—Passion PASH 14 (A) B Severn Sound, West, Wyvern, NorthSound, Downtown * BBC Radio London—Hitpick

NEVADA—In The Bleak Midwinter—Polydor POSP 203 (F) A 2CR, DevonAir, Swansea Sound B Severn Sound, CBC, Downtown.

PAYOLA\$-Never Say I Loved You-A&M AM 164 (C) A Victory, Tay B Essex, Trent, Clyde * West-Hitpick. POINTER SISTERS— I Need You—Planet RPS 104 (R) A Moray Firth, BBC Ulster B Capital, Radio 210, Wyvern, Red Rose.

R.P.O./DAVID ARNOLD—Christmas Carousel—PRT 7P 227 (A) A D. Essex B. Luxembourg, Wyvern, Mercia Sound * Beacon—Featured Single

RE-FLEX - Hitline - EMI FLEX 1 (E) A Tay B Victory, Beacon, Mercia Sound,

SLADE—Merry Xmas Everybody—Polydor 2058 422 (F) A DevonAir, Pennine, Swansea Sound B Severn Sound, BBC Scotland, Downtown.

THREE DEGREES—Liar—3D 3D1 (SP) A DevonAir B Luxembourg, Radio 210, Wyvern, Hereward, Signal.

THE WAITRESSES—Christmas Wrapping—Zellsland WIP 6821 (E) A DevonAir, CBC B Wyvern, Essex, Piccadilly, BBC Scotland

HOORAY & THE HENRYS—All Stuck Up—Work Records WK 2 (A) A Victory, Essex B Hallam, BBC Scotland * Severn Sound—Hitpick.

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WEATHER GIRLS—Dear Santa (Bring Me A Man For Christmas)—CBS A4072 (C) A BBC Ulster B Essex, Pennine, BBC Scotland * Tay—Hitpick.

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PAUL YOUNG: Love Of The
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THOMPSON TWINS: Hold Me 12 (17)

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THE ASSEMBLY: Never Never
BLANCMANGE: That's Love
CLIFF RICHARD: Please Don't
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MICHAEL JACKSON: Thriller
SIMPLE MINDS: Waterfront
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5 (New) HUEV LEWIS & THE NEWS:
Heart And Soul, Chrysalis
CHS 2748 (F)
5 (New) JAYNE EDWARDS: I Got It,
Profile/RCA 365 (R)
5 (New) THE JINGLE BELLES:
Christmas Spectre, Passion
PASH 14 (A)
5 (New) THE LETS: Rocking Around
The Christmas Tree, PRT 7P 297
5 (New) MIKE LOVE: Jingle Bell Rock,
Creole CR 61 (C)
5 (-) WILL POWERS: Smile (Part 1)

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FLYING PICKETS: Only You ELTON JOHN: Cold As Christmas (Rocket)
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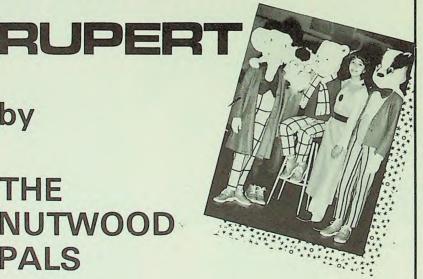
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HUSH, Hearts On Fire (Spirit)
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HE FEELING in some retail quarters is that manufacturers are fos-tering a "them and us" situation with increasingly one-sided returns policies, and there now appears to be some resentment about the wording - and some of the tougher points - in the new WEA Policy.

Returns pre-authorisation is now accepted as reasonable general practice (WEA is in fact the last to apply it) and all the majors' terms of trade are now similar in essentials. But the new WEA policy notes for dealers have been described by one large retail business as "the most aggressively worded" while another dealer summed up general reaction with the com-"If the terms WEA has issued were applied strictly they would be unreasonable."

Termination

The main points complained of

are:

"Where the percentage of returned goods, whether depot errors or faulties, is significantly in excess of the customer average WEA re-serves the right to terminate that

customer's account"

Dealers can see why the "average" principle (not unique to WEA) is being applied by the indus-try — to discourage dealers from getting rid of build-ups of overstocks by damaging them and returning by damaging trem and returning them as faulties. However, other companies merely refuse credit. Also, retailers want to know how WEA will define "significantly". Most annoyance is over the inclusion of depot errors; the implication is that a dealer could lose his WEA account as a result of the company's own mistakes. The clause is felt to

"Where WEA and the customer cannot agree on the standard to be followed as to what is, or is not, faulty, WEA reserves the right to ter the customer account .

Returns — paper tigers get teeth?

Tougher returns policies have gradually been introduced by all the majors, and the latest to revise and tighten its terms is WEA. Terri Anderson outlines dealers' complaints about the new terms, and WEA's response.

Dealers of course are bound by consumer law to exchange faulty records — and in practice they can-not refuse, even if they disagree with the customer on whether a record really is or is not faulty. They believe that the law applies equally to their suppliers, and a clause worded like this, followed to the letter, could result in grave injustice to the retailer. Or dealers who lost accounts because WEA disagreed with them on what was faulty could

be forced to take legal action.

Faulties "which have been deleted from WEA's catalogue may not be returned at any time after six months . . . " was taken by some retailers to mean that they might have to write off deleted faulties, or

would only be able to return them as part of five per cent privileged returns

returns.

Phil Murphy, WEA commercial director, was ready to respond to the complaints in detail, but began by pointing out that WEA has itself politing out that Wak has the received very few queries or com-plaints since the revised returns policy came into operation. He also stressed: "Until recently WEA had one of the most relaxed returns deone of the most relaxed returns de-partments of all the majors. We have now tightened up — as everyone else has. We will be doing more checks on dealers with high rates of faulty returns.

He was not prepared to agree that the wording of the WEA policy notes was particularly aggressive,

commenting: "It is a document worked out to express a legal position — it is difficult to say position — it is difficult to say whether a legal document is aggressive or not."

 On the first point he said that the inclusion of depot errors and faulties was deliberate, but that any account which appeared to have a much higher than average return would have the sent-in-errors and other depot mistakes looked at separately to faulties. (Another section of the policy does stipulate that faulties should be packed separately from depot errors and privilege returns.)

Murphy said every return which was not agreed immediately was carefully examined, and it would only be in very exceptional cases

account being terminated.

On the question of disagreement over faulties he conceded that the legal obligation of retailer and supplier is to replace, or give credit for, faulty goods. "Most outlets exchange or credit for faulties without any quibbling, and they rightly expect credit from us," Murphy explained. "But when someone has consistent very high faulty returns consistent, very high, faulty returns rate, we look at it carefully. "After correspondence and dis-

cussion we may decide it would be in a dealer's best interests and our own (if we cannot supply the stan-dard of goods they demand) to ter-

that this clause would result in an account being terminated.

minate the account.



• The clause on faulty deletions (and Murphy pointed out it applies to all deletions) is stated in terms which cover WEA legally. "The problem with deletions is that we sell deleted product off to secondary markets, so we must have some cutmarkets, so we must have some cut-off point at which we no longer ac-cept returns. However, any bona fide dealer can call us and discuss a specific case involving a deletion which needs to be returned." The six-month cut-off is common practice now

Another clause which retailers mentioned requires that returned faulties should go back to WEA "in as good and complete condition as they were on delivery". The query was as to how "good and complete" the condition of a faulty record can

Murphy pointed out that the fault on a record is listed by the retailer. Should a packet of records arrive as faulties, but in a much worse condition than described on the faulty label, WEA returns department would query the reason. If the faults were as stated there would be no problem.

Murphy concluded: "Terms and conditions have to look fairly stark, because they are there to cover us legally, but they are open to interpretation.

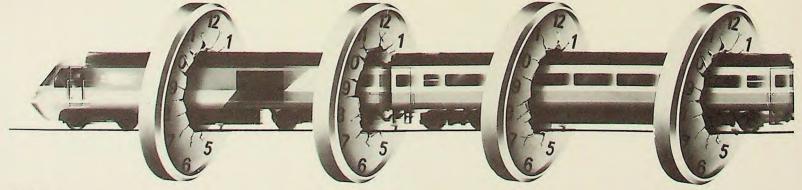
"If any of our account holders needs any explanation or advice they have only to call our customer service department at Alperton."



OPUS ONE in King Street, Maidenhead, Berks, was invaded last week by local recording artists promoting their single. The Desborough School Choir pose inside the shop with copies of Why Not Buy An Extra Present, on their own JIRA label (distributed by Spartan). The choir has recorded the Mike Sammes song in aid of Juvenile Rehumatoid Arthritis — and the single sold out twice at Opus One last week. It also sold out at the local Boots

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1	1	4	ONLY YOU O The Flying Pickets (Flying Pickets) John Sherry) Sonet 10 Records/Virgin TEN 14(12) (E)	26
2	2	5	LOVE OF THE COMMON PEOPLE O Paul Young (Laurie Letham) Westminster/EMI Music CBS (T)A3585 (C)	27
3	5	5	MY OH MY Slade (John Punter) Whild John Music RCA(T) 373 (R)	28
4	11	2	VICTIMS O Culture Club (Stave Levine) Virgin Music Virgin VS 641(12) (E)	29
5	4	5	HOLD ME NOW Thompson Twins (Alex Sadkin/Tom Bailey) Point Music Arista TWINS (12)2 (F)	30
6	6	5	LET'S STAY TOGETHER Tina Turner (Martyn Ware)Greg Watsh) Burtington Music Capitol (12/CL 316 (E)	31
7	9	4	PLEASE DON'T FALL IN LOVE O Cirlf Richard (Mike Batt) CBS/Batt Songs EMI 5437 (E)	32
8	22	2	TELL HER ABOUT IT Billy Joel (Phil Ramone) CBS Songs CBS (T)A3655 (C)	33
9	8	3	MOVE OVER DARLING Tracey Ullman (Peter Collins) State/Arista Music Stiff BUY(IT) 195 (C)	34
10	3	10	UPTOWN GIRL Billy Joel (Phil Ramone) CBS Songs CBS (T)A3775 (C)	35
11	15	6	ISLANDS IN THE STREAM Kenny Rogers & Dolly Parton (Gibb/Richardson/Galuten) Gibb Bros./Chappells	36
12	16	5	THRILLER Michael Jackson (Quincy Jones) Rondor Music/Rodsongs Epic (T)A3643 (C)	37
13	7	7	CALLING YOUR NAME Mercury/Phonogram MAZ 1(12) (F) Marilyn (Clive Langer/Alan Winstanley) Carlin/Intersong Music	38
14	23	4	WHAT IS LOVE? Howard Jones (Rupert Hine) Warner Bros Music WEA HOW 2(1) (W)	39
15	18	3	CLUB FANTASTIC MEGAMIX Inner Vision (T)A3586 (C) Wham! (Steve Brown/George Michael) Morrison Leaby Music	40
16	19	6	THAT'S ALL Charisma; Virgin TATA 1112 (E) Genesis (Genesis; Hugh Padgham) Banks; Collins; Rutherford; Hit & Run Music	41
17	13	7	CRY JUST A LITLE BIT O Shakin' Stevens (Christopher Noil) EMI Music Epic (TIA3774 (C)	42
18	12	10	SAY SAY Parlophone (12R 6062 (E) Paul McCartney/Michael Jackson (George Martin) MPL Copyright Control	43
19	14	7	RIGHT BY YOUR SIDE Eurythmics (David A. Stewart) RCA Music RCA DA(T) 4 (R)	44
20	40	2	READ 'EM AND WEEP Barry Manilow (Jim Steinman) Dick James Music Arista (12)551 (F)	45
21	17	4	WATERFRONT Simple Minds (Stave Lillywhite) EMI Music Virgin VS 636(12) (E)	46
22	10	6	NEVER NEVER The Assembly (The Assembly) Sonet Mute (12/TINY 1 (I)/SP)	47
23	35	4	2000 MILES Real ARE 20(T) (W) The Pretenders (Chris Thomas) Hynde House Of Hits/Clive Banks/ATV Music	48
24	38	2	MANY RIVERS TO CROSS UB40 (UB40) Island Music DEP International/Virgin DEP 9(12) (E)	49
25	36	2	MARGUERITA TIME Status Quo (Quo) Partnus/Eaton Music Vertigo/Phonogram QUO 14 (F)	50
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26	21	4	BARK AT THE MOON Ozzy Osbourno (Osbourno) (Daiskey/Norman) Virgin Music Epic (T)A3915 (C)
27	20	7	OBLIVIOUS Aztec Camera (John Brand, Bernie Clarke) Warner Bros Music WEA AZTEC 1(T) (W)
28	34	5	RAT RAPPING Rodent/Magnet (12/RAT 1 (R) Roland Rat Superstar (S. Jeffries/M. Rye) Chappell Music/Copyright Control
29	31	3	THE WAY YOU ARE Mercury/Phonogram IDEA 6(12) (F) Tears For Fears (Chris Hughes/Ross Cullum) Virgin Music
30	49	2	STRAIGHT AHEAD De-Lite/Phonogram DE(X) 15 (F) Kool & The Gang (Kool & The Gang) Planetary Nom (London)
31	26	8	THE LOVE CATS The Cure (Phil Thornalley)(Chris Parry/The Cure) APB Music Fiction FICS(X) 19 (F)
32	28	14	KARMA CHAMELEON Co Culture Club (Steve Levino) Virgin/Pendukun/Warner Bros Music Virgin VS 612(12) (E)
33	29	6	THIS CHARMING MAN The Smiths (John Porter) Glod Hips Music Rough Trade RT(T) 136 (I)
34	24	12	ALL NIGHT LONG (ALL NIGHT) Motown TMG(T) 1319 (R) Lionel Richie (Lionel Richie/James Anthony Carmichael) Warner Bros Music
35	72	2	MERRY XMAS EVERYBODY Stade (Chas. Chandler) Barn Publishing Polydor 2058 422 (F)
36	77	7	THE SUN AND THE RAIN Stiff BUY(IT) 192 (C)

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36	27	7	THE SUN AND THE RAIN Madness (Clanger/Winstanley) Nutty Sounds/Warner Bro	Stiff BUY(IT) 192 (C) es Music
37	58	2	COLD AS CHRISTMAS Elton John (Chris Thomas) Big Pig Music	Rocket/Phonogram EJS 3(12) (F)
38	30	6	OWNER OF A LONELY HEART Yes (Trevor Horn) Warner Bros Music/Unforgettable Son	ngs Atco B 9817(T) (W)

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39	25	5	A SOLID BOND IN YOUR HEART The Style Council (Peter Wilson/Paul Weller) EMI Music	Polydor TSC 4 (F)
40	33	4	THATS LOVE, THAT IT IS Blancmanage (John Luongo) Cherry Red Music	London BLANC(BLANX) 6 (F)
41	44	2	STRIP Adam Ant (Phil Collins) Taurus Music (Overseas)/EMI Mus	ic Epic (T)A3589 (C)

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42	48	3	I CAN HELP Elvis Presley (–) Chrysalis Music	RCA 369 (
43	68	2	SINGALONG-A-SANTA AGAIN Santa Claus And The Christmas Trees (Jeff Martin/Dennis Munda	Polydor IVY 2 (y) Various Publishers

44	46	3	WHERE IS MY MAN Eartha Kitt (Jacques Morali) Record Shack/Jess	Record Shack SOHO(T) 11(IDS) Music (Leosong)
45	41	3	RUNNING WITH THE NIGHT Lionel Richie (Lionel Richie/James Anthony Carm	Motown TMG(T)1324 (R) ichael) Warner Bros./Rondor Music

46	70	2	SWEET SURRENDER Rod Stewart (Rod Stewart/Tom Dowd) Rod Stew	Warner Bros W9440(T) (W vart/Warner Bros Music
47	32	6	UNDERCOVER OF THE NIGHT The Rolling Stones (The Glimmer Twins/Chris Kin	Rolling Stones (12)RSR 113 (E msey) EMI Music

48		EW	CHRISTMAS SPECTRE The Jingle Belles (Nigel Wright) Various	Passion PASH (12) 14
49	39	12	REILLY The Ohymeis Conhector (Marry Rahimounital Chris Burti Ni	Red Bus RBUS 82

49	39	12	REILLY The Olympic Orchestra (Harry Rabinowitz/Chris Burt/Nic Jones)	Red Bus RBUS 82 (A Standard Music
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51	74	2	CLAP CLAP SOUND The Klaxons (-) Sound Of Jupiter (Carlin)	PRT 7P 290 (A)
52	WE	W	WHAT ARE WE GONNA GET 'ER INDOORS Dennis Waterman and George Cole (Christopher Neil) Various	EMI MIN 101 (E)
53	51	3	MY MELANCHOLY BABY Chas & Dave (Chas & Dave) EMI(F.D.&H. Rockney)	Towerbell (12) KOR 21 (A)
54	NE.	W	PIPES OF PEACE Paul McCartney (George Martin) MPL Communications	Parlophone R6064 (E)
55	54	4	RELAX Frankie Goes To Hollywood (Trevor Horn) Perfect Songs	ZTT (Island (12)ZTAS 1(E)
56	47	6	LISTEN TO THE RADIO: ATMOSPHERICS Tom Robinson & Crew (Tom Robinson) EMI Music/Cliefine	Panic NIC(T) 3 (IDS)
57	43	6	THANK YOU FOR THE MUSIC Abba (Benny Andersson Bjorn Ulvaeus) Bocu Music	Epic A3894 (C)
58	69	13	SUPERMAN (GIOCA JOUER) Black Lace (Alan Barton) —	Flair FLA 105(T) (P)
59	45	3	METAL HEALTH/CUM ON FEEL THE NOIZE Quiet Riot (Spencer Proffer) Riva Music	Epic (T)A3968 (C)
60	53	5	THE VOW Toyah (Nick Tauber) Sweet 'n' Sour Songs/Warner Bros. Musi	Safari SAFE(LS) 58 (SP)
61	NE	W	TIME Frida/B.A.Robertson (Mike Batt) Bocu Music	Epic A3983 (C)
62	W.	W	INSIDE LOVE (SO PERSONAL) George Benson (Arif Mardin/Kashif) MCA Music WEA I	nternational W 9427(T) (W)
63	G		YOU'RE IN MY HEART Mercu David Essex (Mike Batt) Imperial Wizard Songs/Chappell Musi	ry/Phonogram ESSEX 2 (F)
64	42	1	ONLY FOR LOVE Limahl (De Harris/Tim Palmer) Tritec Music	EMI (12)LML 1 (E)
65	56	3	ON A SUNDAY Nick Heyward (Geoff Emerick/Nick Heyward) Bryan Morrison	Arista HEY (12/4 (F) Music
66	50	10	THE SAFETY DANCE Men Without Hats (Marc Durand) Tactik Music/LesLes Edition	Statik TAK 1(12) (E) rs Chapeau
67	55	5	I WON'T LET THE SUN GO DOWN ON ME Nik Kershaw (Peter Collins) Rondor Music	MCA MCA(T)816 (C)
68	59	3	SUPERSTITION/GOOD TIMES Club House (La Bionda/S, Scalera) Jobete/Black Bull/Warmer B	Island (12)IS 147 (E) Bros Music
69	52	4	ROCK THE MIDNIGHT (REMIX) David Grant (Steve Levine) DJA/Samusic/Solid/MCA Music	Chrysalis GRAN(X) 4 (F)
70	NE	W	DUCK FOR THE OYSTER Char Malcolm McLaren (Trevor Hom) April Malcolm McLaren Unfo	isma/Virgin MALC 4(12) (E) rgettable Music
71		W	TRUE LOVE Bing Crosby And Grace Kelly () Chappell Music	Capitol CL 315 (E)
72	64	13	(HEY YOU) THE ROCKSTEADY CREW Charles Charles (Stephen Hague Soldier) Charles Main (Charles Main Charles Main	
73		W	ROCKIN' AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE The Jets (The Jets) Chappell Music	PRT 7P 297 (A)
74		W	RULES OF THE GAME Bucks Fizz (Andy Hill Brian Tench) RCA Music	RCA RCA(T) 380 (R)
75	60	6	FEDORA (I'll Be Your Dawg) Caramba (Michael B. Tretow) Bocu Music	Billeo BILL (T)101 (IDS)

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76	94	LOVE IS A WONDERFUL COLOUR The Icicle Works (David Lord) Chappell Music	Beggars Banquet BEG 99(T) (W)
77	85	STEAMHAMMER SAM Intaferon (Martin Rushont) RCA Music	Chrysalis CHS (12)2750 (F)
78	-	CRAZY CUTS Grandmixer D.St (D.Showard) Chu Teh Music	CellulOid/Island (12)IS 146 (E)
79	75	THE SOUND OF MUSIC Dayton (Rahni P. Harris/David Shawn Sandridge) Vinew	Capitol (12) CL 318 (E) rood/Colgems-EMI Music
80	-	HELLO MUM Adrian Gurvitz (Adrian and Paul Gurvitz) RAK Publishing	g RAK 367 (E)
81	-5	WE ARE THE BOYS (WHO MAKE ALL TH Rockers (Roy Wood) Philip Lynott) Various	HE NOISE) Epic (T)A3929 (C)
82	96	BIRDIE SONG (BIRDIE DANCE) The Tweets (Henry Hadaway/Satril) Valentine Music	PRT 7P(12P) 219 (A)
83	81	WHAT'S GOING ON Marvin Gaye (Marvin Gaye) Jobete Music	Tamia Motown TMG(T) 987 (R)
84	-	BIRD OF PARADISE Snowy White (Snowy White)Kuma Harada) England Pul	Towerbell (12)TOW 42 (Al blishing

85	~	SHAKE IT UP Design Communications DES(T) 5 (IDS Divine (Bobby Orlando) The Company/Eaton Music
86	88	TOO LATE FOR LOVE Vertigo(Phonogram VER(X) 8 (F Def Leppard (Robert John 'Mutt' Lange) Def Lepp/Zomba/Warner Bros. Music
87	-	I AM WHAT I AM (from 'La Cage Aux Folles') Gloria Gaynor (Joel Diamond) MPL Communications Chrysalis CHS (12) 2765 (F
88	67	I'M OUT OF YOUR LIFE Amie's Love (Eric Matthews) Zomba Music/Goldsongs Streetwave WAVE(L) 9 (A
89	98	THE THEME FROM TERRAHAWKS Richard Harvey (Richard Harvey) Terrahawks Anderburr HX(T) 1010 (A
90	-2	KENNY THE KANGAROO Michael Barrymore (Roger Greenaway) Bucks/Misty River Music EMI 5439 (E
91	90	PAL OF MY CRADLE DAYS Ann Breen (Cel Fay) The Big 3 Music Homespun HS 052 (0)SP
92	-	A NIGHT IN NEW YORK Elbow Bones and the Recketners (August Darmell) EMI Music [12] EA 165 (E
93	95	MAMA RCA 377 (R Bryan and Michael with St Winifred's School Choir (Kevin Parrott) EMI Music

34	-	Greg Lake (Lake/Sinfield) Manitcore Music	Manticore K 13511 (W)
95	91	POSTMAN PAT Ken Barrie (Bryan Daly) Post Music	Post Music PP 001 (A)
96	99	BRIGHTEN UP YOUR NIGHT Ebony Brothers (Phil Harding/Robert Ahwai) Avocet(EMI N	RCA RCA(T) 376 (R)
97	=	MY SON J.J. Barrie (Les Reed) Dick James Music	Magic MAGIC 9 (P)
98	86	WHY ME? Irene Cara (Giorgio Moroder) Warner Bros./Carub Music	Network/Epic (T)A3794 (C)
99	-	FREEBIRD O Lymyrd Skynyrd (Al Kooper) MCA Music	MCA(T) 251 (C)
100	-	JESUS LOVES US ALL Renee and Renato (J. Edward) Hollywood Music	Hollywood HWD 012 (P)

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3	2	ALL NIGHT LONG (ALL NIGHT), Lionel Richie Motown
4	3	UPTOWN GIRL, Billy Joel Columbia/CBS
5*	7	UNION OF THE SNAKE, Duran Duran Capitol
6	5	LOVE IS A BATTLEFIELD, Pat Benatar Chrysalis
7*	11	OWNER OF A LONELY HEART, Yes Atco
8	6	ISLANDS IN THE STREAM, Rogers/Parton RCA
9*	12	TWIST OF FATE, Olivia Newton-John MCA
10	10	CHURCH OF, Culture Club Virgin/Epic
11*	14	UNDERCOVER, Rolling Stones Rolling Stones
12	8	CUM ON FEEL THE NOIZE, Quiet Riot Pasha
13	13	WHY ME?, Irene Cara Geffen
14	9	CRUMBLIN' DOWN, John Cougar Mellencamp Riva
15*	18	MAJOR TOM (COMING), Peter Schilling Elektra
16	16	SYNCHRONICITY II, The Police A&M
17	17	IN A BIG COUNTRY, Big Country Mercury
18*	19	BREAK MY STRIDE, Matthew Wilder Private
19*	21	I GUESS THAT'S WHY, Elton John Geffen
20*	24	TALKING IN YOUR SLEEP, The Romantics Nemperor
21	15	HEART & SOUL, Huey Lewis & The News Chrysalis
22*	22	AIN'T NOBODY, Rufus With Chaka Khan Warner Bros
23	23	SOULS, Rick Springfield RCA
24*	27	READ 'EM AND WEEP, Barry Manilow Arista
25*	30	RUNNING WITH THE NIGHT, Lionel Richie Motown
26*	26	TIME WILL REVEAL, DeBarge Gordy
27*	35	KARMA CHAMELEON, Culture Club Virgin/Epic
28*	29	IF I'D BEEN THE ONE, 38 Special A&M
29*	31	JOANNA, Kool & The Gang De-Lite
30×	34	THAT'S ALL, Genesis Atlantic
31*	32	I STILL CAN'T GET , Ray Parker Jnr Arista
32*	45	PINK HOUSES, John Cougar Mellencamp Riva
33*	39	HOLIDAY, Madonna Sire
34*	43	STAY WITH ME TONIGHT, Jeffrey Osborne A&M
35	36	I WON'T STAND IN , Stray Cats EMI America
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39×		WHEN THE LIGHTS GO OUT, Naked Eyes EMI America
40		THE WAY, Barbra Streisand Columbia/CBS

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41*	47	BABY I LIED, Deborah Allen	RCA
43*	48	IN THE MOOD, Robert Plant	Es Paranza
44*	63	THE CURLY SHUFFLE, Jump 'N The Saddle	Atlantic
45×	52	LET THE MUSIC PLAY, Shannon	Mirage
47×	67	THINK OF LAURA, Christopher Cross	Warner Bros
48*	55	REMEMBER THE NIGHT, The Motels	Capitol
49×	54	SEND ME AN ANGEL, Real Life	MCA/Curb
50×	N	MIDDLE OF THE ROAD, The Pretenders	s Sire
51*	N	AN INNOCENT MAN, Billy Joel	Columbia/CBS
53*	58	WHAT'S NEW, Linda Ronstadt/Nelson I	Riddle Asylum
54*	56	YOU DON'T BELIEVE, The Alan Parsons	Project Arista
56×	64	TAKE ME BACK, Bonnie Tyler	Columbia/CBS
57×	66	BIG CRASH, Eddie Money	Columbia/CBS
61*	69	THE POLITICS OF DANCING, Re-Flex	Capitol
62*	70	THIS MUST BE THE PLACE, Talking He	ads Sire
63 ∗	N	NIGHTBIRD, Stevie Nicks	Modern
64*	76	EBONY EYES, Rick James/Smokey Ro	binson Gordy
65*	71	(YOU CAN STILL) ROCK 'N' ROLL IN AI Night Ranger	MERICA Camel/MCA
68×	74	99 LUFTBALLONS, Nena	Epic
70×	79	THE DREAM, Irene Cara G	effen/Network
72*	78	SAVE THE LAST DANCE FOR ME, Dolly	Parton RCA
73×	86	YAH MO B THERE James Ingram with Michael McDonald	1 Qwest
74*	80	GLORIA, The Doors	Elektra
75 ★	84	ALMOST OVER YOU, Sheena Easton	EMI America
78×	83	RED HOT, Herb Alpert	A&N
80×	N	GIRLS JUST WANT TO HAVE FUN, Cyndi Lauper	Portrai
85*	N	LET's GO UP, Diana Ross	RCA
90*	N	SWEETHEART LIKE YOU, Bob Dylan	Columbia/CBS
91*	N	LET'S PRETEND WE'RE MARRIED/IRE	RESISTIBLE,
		Prince	Warner Bros

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ANDERSON, Haley ALL TO MYSELF/tba Midas 12 MID 5 12" (R) ANT, Adam STRIP/Yours, Yours, Yours CBS WA3589 (Limited Edition) Pic Disc (C) AVENGER TOO WILD TO TAME/tba Neat 31 (P)

BEAST NEW MOONE/Guardian ID Records EYE 3 Pic Bag; EYE T3 12" Pic Bag (IDS)
BENJAHMAN, I & Michelle Harrison JAHWORLD WILL KEEP ON TURNING/EARTHMAN TUNE IN:
Prosperous (Dub) Lion Kingdom LK 003 12" Only (P)
BLOOD SISTERS RING MY BELL/Dub My Bell Sound City SCD 002 12" Only (P)

BROWN, Junior LONG TIME ME CALL YOU'l Get That Feeling Fashion FAD 017 12" Only (JS)

CAMPBELL, Trevor 'Big T' DESIDERATA/(Inst) Mint CHEW 87 (P) CARLOS, Don NICE TIME (LATE NIGHT BLUES)/Get It Up CSA 12CSA 502 12" (A/JS)
CHARISMA EVERYTHING IS FINE/Every (Dub)/One Blood NK Music KCD 006 12" (P) COLE, Jordan LET'S MAKE THIS A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS/Under The Mistletoe Deluxe DEL 1 (P) COVER GIRLS LOVE/Time After Time Nectar NRS 3 (P)
CROWBAR HIPPY PUNKS/White Riot Skinhead SKIN 1 Pic Bag (I) CUNNINGHAM, Earl FOOLS FALL IN LOVE/ROOTS RADICS: International Midnight Rock MR 20 12"

ELLIS. Alton | CAN'T STAND | T/| Can't Stop Now Treasure Isle TRE 011 12" Only (JS) ELLIS, Noel DANCING PARTNER/SLY & ROBBIE: Massive Rock Jam Can JC 001 12" Only (JS)

GIBSON, Wayne UNDER MY THUMB/Yesterday's Papers Kingdom KV 8012 (A)
GROOVY, Winston & Bankie PLEASE DON'T MAKE ME CRY/All Because Of You/Give Me Time Sound City SCD 009 IP

GUILDE TYROLEAN VAGABOND/Snow Waltz Mint CHEW 88 (SP)

HARRISON, Michelle & Daubaz DON'T TAKE LOVE SO EASY/TAN TAN & EARTHMAN TUNE IN: Lion "Lion Kingdom Dub Flash Lion Kingdom LK 004 12" Only (P) HIGGINS, Alex "Hurricane" 147/Life's In The Pocket Solid STOP 003 Pic Bag (SOI

JOHNSON, Anthony BABY WHY/LEE VAN CLEEF: Key In My Door Midnight Rock MR 19 12" Only (JS) JAM DOWN EXTRAORDINARY WOMAN/X-Rated Jam Don JAM 1 12" Only (JS)

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L.A. Danny COUNTRY LOVING/Mixed Up World The Foundation TF 009 12" Only (JS) LEWIS, Tina BACK STREET/The Way You Been Acting Lately Inferno Soul Club BURN 5 (P) LITTLE JOHN MIX UP/(Inst) Music Parade MP 001 12" Only (JS)

MARTINE POLTERGEIST/IMAGINE (Double A) Ram RAM 7006 Pic Bag (P)
METRO, Peter & Zu Zu CALYPSO CALYPSO/PETER METRO: 7 Heroes Greensleeves GRED 135 12"

MIGHTY RUDO WATERHOUSE/(Version) CF Records CFD 007 12" only 12" Only (JS) MILLER, O.C. HOW CAN I LOVE AGAIN/Oh What A Feeling Orbitone DORB 7 12" Only

NATURAL TOUCH GIMME GOOD LOVING/(Inst) NK Records NKRD 0016 12" Only (JS)

OSBOURNE, Johnny TROUBLE MAKER/Angel In My Arms Greensleeves GRED 130 12" Only (JS) OTITIS NEANDERTHAL MAN/Boy Sonet SON 2260 Pic Bag (A)

PALMER, Michael HAPPY MERRY CHRISTMAS/Different Love Greensleeves GRED 134 12" Only (JS) PARRY, Big John MARIA/Romeo Lady London ST 45 (ILA)
PORTER, Hugh A WOMAN (FEEL THE FEELING)/(Inst) Intense INT 011 12" Only (JS)

RAGLAND, Lou TRAVEL ALONE/Didn't I Tell You/Since You Said You'd Be Mine Inferno Soul Club BURN

RED ALERT THERE'S A GUITAR BURNING (6 track EP) No Future 12 OI 27 12" (P) ROCHDALE FAIRIES, The THREE GREEN BOTTLES/Edelweiss SNT SNT 116 (ILA)

SCREAMING DEAD, The PAINT IT BLACK/Warriors No Future SKULL 2 (P)
SEARCH PARTY ALL AROUND THE WORLD/Lost Paradise Magnet SP 1; 12 SP 1 12" (R)
SHINE, Brendan THANK GOD FOR KIDS/tba Play PLAY 150 (SP) SIBBLES, Lee Roy ONLY WITH YOU/Dubbin' With You Micron MICCAN 0049 12" Only (JS) SIGLO XX DREAMS OF PLEASURE/In The Garden/Silent House Antler ANT 020 12" Only Pic Bag (RT) SIGLO XX DREAMS OF PLEASURE/In the Garden/Silent House Antler AN1 U2U 12" Unity Pict SIMON, Vincent I'VE GOT SOMETHING TO SAY/(Dub) Crucial Roots CR 001 12" Only (JS) SMART, Lee Roy PRETTY LOOKS/Soul And Inspiration The Foundation TF 113 12" Only (JS) SMITH, Wayne SMOKER SUPER/When You're Young Chartbound CB 002 12" Only (JS) SPIRIT LEVEL GIVE A LITTLE/Say You'll Dare Foto/Ram RAM 6001 Pic Bag (P) STEPPA & THE CHOSEN FEW IT MEK/(Version) Easy Street ES 004 12" Only (JS) STEVE & BONNIE ONCE IN ROYAL DAVID'S CITY/Silent Night Jeeves JSB 1 (ILA) STRANGER COMFORTS NEW YEAR/Raincoats SCC Records CCS 002 (P) SURFACE BAND SHE HAS GONE AWAY/Warm And Tender Love Lucky Dice LD 002 12" Only (JS)

TELEVISION PERSONALITIES A SENSE OF BELONGING/Paradise Estate Rough Trade RT 109 (RT)
TRUE BELIEVERS, The SPIDERMAN MEETS THE GREEN GOBLIN/Spiderman, Spiderman LBS Records

VANDROSS, Luther I'LL LET YOU SLIDE/(Inst) Epic A3978 Pic Bag; TA3978 12" Pic Bag (C) VARIOUS THE INVISIBLE FRAME (6 track) Future 12FS 11 12" Only (P)

WALTERS, Trevor PENNY LOVER/(Version) I&S Productions IS 1001 12" Only (JS)
WATUSI BROTHERS IYOU ONLY WANT ME FOR MY) BODYWORK/(Inst) Priority P5; PX5 12" (E)
WHITE, Snowy BIRD OF PARADISE/The Answer Towerbell TOW 42 Pic Bag; 12TOW 42 12" Pic Bag inc extra track Don't Turn Back (A)

-XENA ON THE UPSIDE/(Dub Version) Streetwave MKHAN 2 12" Only (A)

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All To Mysell
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Back Street
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Dancing Partner
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Den't Take Love So Easy
Dreams Of Pleasure
Everything is fine
Extraordinary Woman
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Gimme Good Loving
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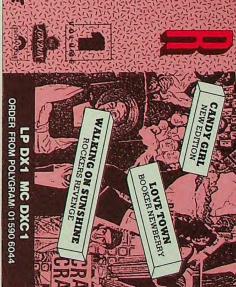
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DOORS Gloria (Elektra E9774(T) WEA). Off Alive, She Cried. Rumbustious snappy reading of Van Morrison classic via Them and not the recent hit for US girl Laura Branigan. Flip is Love Me Two Times.

MIKE LOVE
Jingle Bell Rock (Creole CR 61,
CBS) TM. Inspired Love of Beach
Boys nasals with the familiar
Yuletide number, has Adrian Baker
producing. Bounces along
moderately well.

THE WEATHER GIRLS Dear Santa (Bring Me A Man This Christmas) Part 1 (CBS A4072, CBS). Has early moments sweet and film-starrish as if auditioning for Dynasty background but soon beef and bounce in old Three Degrees classic style with a touch of the earthy biting in vocal demand of title

LANI HALL

Never Say Never Again (A&M

AM 159, CBS). She's been around
for some time delighting and
excelling as a vocalist though not a
hit-maker. This number from new
Bond film needs a visual backcloth. It wanders around as a tune with lines that sound pleasant but fail to



Lani Hall

TWO

Waiting For Winter (Future (12)FS 10, Pinnacle). Theatrical and stark as if simulating a winter that hides nature and speaks of chills, colds and bare fields, trees etc. This and other three cuts are interesting but commercially limited.

AVENGER
Too Wild To Tame (Neat, NEAT
31, Pinnacle). Rasping guitar is
continuous, vocals frantic and
perhaps slightly dulled by the guitar,
this is solidly in metal territory and
not say, part of the commercialism
of an Osbourne.

LEW KIRTON

Just Can't Get Enough (Epic
(T)A4066, CBS), Falsetto vocals
soon enter on top of chords
reminiscent of Brothers Johnson.

Main lead comes in on handclapping
heat and computerised drugs. Hea a beat and computerised drum. Has a snappy easy pick-up title line. Listen also to Don't Give Up Your Dream on three track 12-inch version.

MEN WITHOUT HATS I Got The Message (Statik TAK 14 (-12) EMI). Should belong under Chart Cert. This seems to take some lines from recent big hit, rework them with a pace increase and have girls (sounds so anyway) adding colour. It grows.

BOB DYLAN Jokerman (CBS A4055, CBS).

CHART CERTS

PAUL McCARTNEY Pipes Of Peace phone R 6064, EMI) (Parlo

MALCOLM McLAREN Duck For The Oyster (Charisma/Virgin MALC 4(12) EMI)

More from Infidels' album and better suited to that context than a single though doubtless issued to gain airplay and album mention. Pleasant enough

STEVE 'N' BONNIE Once In Royal David's City (Jeeves JSB1. The Independent

Record Labels Assoc). Slow respectful take until half-way save for one brief blast of back-up vocal vigour. Some pace increase later with backcloth having late theatrical fling with gospelling feel in piano and choir-chorus.

STRANGER COMFORTS
New Year (SCC, CCS 002,
Pinnacle). First of the early '84 with somewhat doomy atmosphere whether in bass or texture of vocal but somewhat late 1960s feel attracts with record having moments of faster tempo and

BRENDAN SHINE

Thank God For Kids (Play, PLAY 150, Spartan). Irishman with rich vocal tones and power in projection has emotive, though not overnas emotive, though not over-sugary, number with a lyric to bring tears to the eyes of every kind dad. There's a powerful chorus to give the final sales kick,

Hokey Cokey (Klub, KLUB(X)15, PRT). Tailor-made for Yuletide and especially post-Christmas rave-ups, the tune has a set of words that never loses popularity. Probable

XENA On The Upside (Streetwave MKHAN 2, PRT). Powerful floor music with sensuous pleading girls who can bite as well as soothe. Backing keeps pulsating away. For

CARPENTERS

Now (A&M AM 166, CBS). From

Voice Of The Heart it's one of those
familiar slow moving Carpenter
numbers with a gentle almost
unperceptive pace increase and
sudden run into chorus. No
surprises, just tasteful and destined
to make every fan of Karen's feel empty and lost.

TELEVISION PERSONALITIES A Sense Of Belonging (Rough Trade RT 109, Rough Trade/Indies). Dylanish touches in lead guy vocals though not a Dire Straits shade in backing. It moves with chords reminding one of early Buckley instrumentation and has a rather too long vocal verse given that main commercial appeal is in instrumentation. The message is no more violence with dire warnings of world's end.

GARTH HEWITT

The Hungry Wind (Blue Moon BMS001, PRT). Jesus Music world man Garth, has anti-war, missile song to rollicking, rolling beat and the right brashness in his vocal treatment. Taken fast.

ERICA GALE ERICA GALE
I Ain't Gonna Lose My Head
(Cassia CAS 001, Jet
Star/Lightning/S + Gold and Soto
Sound). Lightish, instantly likeable,
disco number in soulful vein from
girl with attractive vocal tones.



Malcolm McLaren

Sympathetic backing though maybe things could have been pushed that much more.

, ROBBIE & ROBBIE LYN

ROBBIELYN
Waterbed (Taxi Island IPR 2069, EMI)). Undemanding, fairly relaxing, reggaeish music that is good to hear with Triplet on the other side suitably more front-foot forward with some brass as main extra musical ingredient. This, like Waterbed, is an instrumental.

BILLY JO SPEARS

Everytime Two Fools Collide (Rita RITZ 060, Spartan). Nashville lady with slow building, powerful ballad in which Noel Alters, her bass man and husband, also vocalises.

THE FALKIRK CHILDREN'S THEATRE

It's Christmas (Klub KLUB 43, PRT). Song with calypso touches and a toe-tapping beat that has an air of fun about it. Not always a commodity on records featuring children at this time of year.

ALEX HARVEY

The Poet And I (Powerstation OHMS3, Pinnacle). Recorded Christmas 1981, late and great Alex is very laid-back on this almost hymn-like composition.



Bob Dylan

GLASSIGAL

Nimbus scores with Beethoven

Symphony No 5/Piano Concerto No 3, Beethoven. Hanover Band, Mary

Symphony No 5/Piano Concerto No 3, Beethoven. Hanover Band, Mary Verney, piano. Nimbus 2151/2.

THE HANOVER Band's first venture into Beethoven with Symphony No 1 and Piano Concerto No 1, created a most interesting disc, and I certainly can recommend this succeeding album wholeheartedly.

It may be an obvious statement to make, but I really did hear lines in the 5th Symphony that I hadn't heard before — or even noticed in the score.

The Piano Concerto requires more acclimatisation because of the lighter and softer sound spectrum of the 1798 Broadwood that Mary Verney plays, though, there is the occasional ragged entry which is inevitable where there is no conductor as here. There is also minimal Nimbus editing.

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This is an expensive double about the driven of the seconds for it could almost have been fitted on to one — an extra overture or two wouldn't have gone amiss. It is, however, a handsomely produced affair, with good sleeve notes, making it a worthwhile introduction to "authentic music for mainstream listeners.

Outstanding Sibelius

Symphony No 3/Suite from King Kristian II, Sibelius. The Gothenburg Symphony Orchestra, Neeme Jarvi. BIS 228. Orchestra, Neeme Jarvi. BIS 228. Percussion works by Cage, Cowell, Lundquist, Taira. The Kroumata Percussion Ensemble. BIS 232. DMM, Teldec. Distribution: Conifer. THE BIS label, originally distributed by TOL, has been snapped up by Conifer. Its elegant gatefold sleever presentation with black covers and

conter. Its elegant gateroid sleeve presentation, with black covers and good photography, makes it stand out in a browser, and the recording and performances of those I have

Medieval marvel

Songs of Chivalry, Martin Best Medieval Ensemble, Nimbus SAM 45 45023.

MARTIN BEST's records for Nimbus are marvellous. They are more like live entertainments than scholarly records, for they truly evoke the colour and spirit of the medieval world, with all its blood and ideals.

Songs of Chivalry draws on the music of the troubadours and trouvères from the late 12th and early 13th centuries, using songs and instrumental numbers. They work their spells with a curious blend of wistfulness, idealism and optimism, and will appeal not just to the medieval buff, but also to young people with folk and pop tastes too.

equally good.

The second disc, featuring the

Swedish percussion ensemble Kroumata in two American works from the 1940's — Cage's Second Construction and Cowell's Pulse — and two works from the mid-1970's Sisu by Lundquist and Hierophonie by Taira, BIS has a dealer price of £3.95.

Boulez's **Rituel** is impressive

Rituel, Eclat/Multiples, Boulez. B B S S O / E n s e m b l e InterContemporain, Boulez. CBS

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BOULEZ'S RITUEL made an immense impression at its first performance in 1974 and has proved one of the most striking and approachable of all his work.

Written in memory of Bruno Maderna, it uses blocks of arabesque-like wind patterns interspersed by punctuating effects on metallic percussion, including tam-tams and gongs, thus giving the "ritual" atmosphere to the work. "ritual" atmosphere to the work. Unusually for Boulez, it was written relatively quickly.

I note that Rituel was recorded in 1976 when sales would have been greater if they had brought it out then. An important disc for contemporary music collectors.

Sophisticated Chausson

Concert for Violin, Piano and String Quartet, Chausson. Perlman, Bolet and the Julliard String Quartet. CBS D 37814. CHAUSSON IS a composer of little reputation in the UK, but the combination of Bolet, Perlman and the Julliard should persuade a number of

collectors to invest in this music.

In fact the record follows a tradition of combining great names for this chamber work. Cortot and Thibaud recorded it in 1931 (it is still available on Harmonia Mundi) and Maazel and Margalit recorded it for DG. Not surprisingly, this new recording is a warmly romantic one which never transgresses the sophisticated French restraint demonstrated by Chausson.

French Baroque

Concerts En Symphonie, Philidor, Dornel, Marais. Philidor Ensemble. Living Baroque (Philips) 9502 104.
THIS RECORD celebrates the love of the French Baroque composers for wind instruments which is balanced by the Italian love of strings.
The Philidor Ensemble a Dutch

The Philidor Ensemble, a Dutch group playing on authentic instruments, make their first appearance on record with music by the above three early 18th-century composers

— two extended Suites and one
Concerts de Symphonies by Antoine Dornel

Spaced out for Christmas

Out of this World. Boston Pops, JohnWilliams. Philips, 411 185-1. THIS DISC begins with the open-ing of Also Sprach Zarathustra (2001 – A Space Odyssey) by Rich-

(2001—A Space Odyssey) by Richard Strauss and closes with The Return of the Jedi, having also included ET, Alien, Star Trek and Battlestar Galactica en route. The Boston Pops film records have done well for Phillips and this should continue the pattern, particularly in a lively Christmas market. market.

Album review ratings outside Top 20 and Top 50:— "good, "fair, 'poor sales predicted in own specialist market. Star rating under General heading indicates sales potential in general pop-rock market, with ""rating indicating entry into the lower half of chart only."

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TOP 20

DAVID ESSEX The Whisper, Mercury MERH 34.

VARIOUS

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General

MINK DE VILLE
Where Angels Fear To Tread. Atlantic
780115-1. Producers: Ron and Howard
Albert. If Willy and his men seemed to
have lost their way and their edge recently this LP is proof that they have rediscovered both with a vengeance. Exce discovered both with a vengeance. Excel-lent, tightly produced and confidently de-livered album. Has "commerical pros-pect" stamped all over it, and the UK AOR market should welcome it if it gets a chance to hear any of it.

POINTER SISTERS
Break Out. Planet FL 84705. Producer:
Richard Perry. A superb album — the
definitive Pointers and arguably the defintive LP of its kind so far. There being no
justice in this world the impeccable
quality of the material and the artists will
not automatically mean chart topping
sales — but in their own market they
must clean up with this one.

Believer, Atlantic 78107-1, Producers: Nile Rodgers and Bernard Edwards. Très chic, but somehow lacks the impact that this outfit had when they — and the that this outfit had when they — and the Nile/Rodgers concept — were genuinely fresh and innovative. There is still a huge market for this smooth, tight, sweet disco funk — but a good chart placing can't be taken for granted anymore.

KOOL AND THE GANG In The Heart, De-Lite Records DSR 4 (through Phonogram). Needs no intor-

duction or explanation - the Kool style duction or explanation — the Kool style and the choice of material are comfort, ably expectable, through ballads, R&B, funk and jazzy cuts. Should get good sales and make an easy chart entry, but even with the single hit it might not be up to battling through the Christmas LP competition into the top 50.

THE TEMPTATIONS

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Back to Basics. Motown STML 12196.
Title is not really the whole story, since the production makes full use of up-to-date recording tricks and instrumentation—but the material and performance are solid, wholesome and basically satisfying. A winner in the vast Motown market. Deserves a good chart placing, even at a crowded time of year.

FOUR TOPS
Eack Where I Belong. Motown, STML
12197. Most of the above remarks apply
here. Another glittering ornament in
Motown's regalia, and Motown is of
course Berry Gordy. Again, an act which
just achieves a richer, more mellow glow
as it ages so gracefully. With HollandDozier-Holland producing side one, and
Hutch and Gordy leading the list of

After and Israel Be Wise

Reggae round-up

BOB MARLEY And The Wailers' In The Beginning (TRLS 221) on Trojan features 14 tracks, six of which have never been issued before in the UK. Producer credits go to Lee Perry, Bunny Lee and Leslie Kong, the last-mentioned being responsible for the excellent Soul Shakedown Party, recently released as a single. Also out on Trojan is The Royals Collection (TRLS 219), an 18-track compilation culled from their three Ballistic/UA albums — Pick Up The Pieces, Ten Years After and Israel Re Wice

producers for side two, this LP is an inevitable artistic success

Speeding Time. Atlantic 780118-1.
Producer: Lou Adler, For her established fans the combination of King's voice,

Jazz

Stephane Grapelli. Live At Carnegie Hall. Dr. Jazz ASLP 1001. Shelly Manne and His Friends. Dr. Jazz ASLP 1002. Teresa Brewer. I Dig Big Band Singers. ASLP 1003. Singers, ASLP 1003
Coleman Hawkins and Lester Young.
Classic Tenors. ASLP 1004.
FOUR NEW releases from the Dr Jazz
label distributed by PRT, which will be
snapped up by jazz enthusiasts. The
Brewer LP features tribute medleys to
the music of Jimmy and Tommy
Dorsey, and Benny Goodman, and 35
years after her first recording debut
she's in better voice than ever. The
Grapelli album, recorded at the famous
New York Concert Hall, includes
musical reminders of his days with
Django Reinhardt in Paris.
*** (each release)

Goffin-King compositions and well as solin-king compositions and well as solo-written titles, and Adler production (he produced Tapestry) will be irresistible. But this is not the stuff of which UK blockbuster sales are made these days. It's a superb, handsome, intelligent, witty, inventive — and dated — sound.

Live And Direct IMA6) includes a Rockers Medley, Love Fire and African Children. A new studio album, recorded in Jamaica, will be released here in summer 1984... Trinity, Ranking Joe and Charlie Chaplin are the contestants on Kingdom Records' D.J. Battle (KVC 6002). Cuts include Oh What A Night (Ranking Joe), Ann Marie (Charlie Chaplin) and Boll Weevil (Trinity)
Battersea's own Laurel & Hardy's first album for Upright Records — What A Bargain (UP LP-4) should be helped by the band's tour this month and their slot as resident guests on Channel Four's new series, No Problems, which starts January 6... Available through Import Music Service, is the Pablo Moses Mercury album, in The Future (8143 921), produced by Geoffrey Chung (responsible for Moses' Revolutionary Dream, well-received on Klik Records).

Bob Andy's Friends (AVOOIST LP) on his own I-Anke label is a welcome release that includes his recent single, Honey... Warmly recommended releases from the ever

label is a welcome release that includes his recent single, Honey. Warmly recommended releases from the ever expanding Vista Sounds catalogue: The Skatalites With SIV And Robbie And The Taxi Gang (VSLP 4058). Jah Warriors: Poor Man's Story (VSLP 4058) and Don Carlos' Pure Gold (VSLP 4029). On Burning Sounds — marketed by CSA — comes the talented Michael Prophet with the Henry Lawes' produced Certify (BS 1056).

The Piaf Album, FMK FMS 1727891 The Piaf Album. EMK EMS 1727891. The music and legend lives on 20 years after "the little sparrow" died. This excellent compilation — more than an hour long — features 20 of her best-loved song, including Milord, La Vie En Rose, Padam Padam, Hymne A L'Amour and Non, Je Ne Regrette Rien (also sung in English: No Regrets). An excellent catalogue item.

SID KING & THE FIVE STRINGS Rockin' On The Radio. Rollercoaster ROLL 2006. Culled from recordings made for Texas radio in 1954 and 1955 which show how country music was beginning to merge with r'n'b and rock and roll to produce rockabilly. Though King and co never hit the big time, their music stands as an excellent and enjoyable sampler full of the atmosphere of the period. African

INTEREST IN music from Africa is spreading in the UK, prompting the release here of a wealth of fresh material following in the wake of the initial impact made by Island with King Sunny Ade.
Zulu Jive Vol 1 (ELP 2002) released on the Zulu Jive Vol 1 (ELP 2002) released on the specialist Earth Works label, features a range of styles of Zulu Mbaqanga from South Africa, and is an excellent introduction to a seemingly happy-go-lucky music produced under a repressive regime. Also released via Earth Works is Kati Eliclean Namanono's Amalabi (ELP 2003) and Thomas Mapfumo and The Blacks Unlimited's Ndangariro (ELP 2005), both of which are strong on hythm and worth more than just a casual listen. Chief Ebenezer Obey's latest offering on Virgin, Miliki Plus (VM7) features eight tracks selected by the artists from his extensive back catalogue — Judu music from Nigeria at its best.

HM/rock

THE COMPETITION for sales in this area is tough, with so many releases from well-established acts rolling off a seemingly endless HM production line. Music For Nation' latest offerings include the powerful Rox's Violent Breed (MFN 11) who on the strength of this LP look set for the HM first division. Two further loud and potentially big albums on the same label are Earthshaker (MFN 13) and Tsunami (MFN 9), the former band attempting to reverse the current trend of the Japanese importing UK HM albums by breaking Eastern-originated but Western-influenced music in this country. And from Denmark come Mercyful Fate with Melissa (MFN 10) — a band who will need a lot of hard work on several fronts to establish them here. Jess Cox, formerly vocalist with The Tygers Of Pan Tang, has released his debut album for Neat Records. Third Step (NEAT 1010) is more rockorientated than heavy metal. Produced by Keith Nichol, it brings out more of Cox's talents than have been heard on record before. is tough, with so many releases from well-established acts rolling off a seemrecord before

After and Israel Be Wise. Third World's self-produced All The Way Strong (CBS 25473) with its leaning towards pop/synth music should be a strong contender in the crossover stakes . . . Roots Man Blues (TAR 003) on Target is a fine new album from Prince Lincoln & The Royal Rasses produced by Sol Raye A UK tour early in the new year should help boost sales . . . Burden Bearer from the Twinkle Brothers (Twinkle NG 501), produced by Norman Grant, coincides with their UK tour Aswad, now back with Island Records, have released a live album recorded at the Notting Hill Carnival in August. Country

JANIE FRICKE
Love Lies. CBS 25551. Produced by Bob Montgomery. Probably her strongest album
to date. Several of the cuts have singles potential which would obviously help to establish
her in the UK to the similar status she enjoys in the US.

Johnny 99. CBS 25471. Ten tracks make up a pleasant enough Brian Ahern produced album. While Cash's voice continues to mellow, he retains the spark and character heard on all his recordings from his earliest days through the ups and downs of his career. No outstanding cuts singles/crossover-wise, but steady enough treatments to keep his fans happy

GEORGE JONES

GEORGE JUNES
Jones Country, Epic EPC 25733. Produced by Billy Sherrill. Up to his usual high standard in presentation and delivery, but not a lot of sparkle.

TAMMY CLINE
Tammy Cline & The Southern Comfort Band. President PRCV 114. Her first album
produced in conjunction with the Southern Comfort drinks company serves as a good
showcase for her obvious singing talent. Mixes oldies and new songs to good effect.

Nostalgia

MARILYN MONROL Some Like It Hot. Liberty UASP 30226. Picture disc re-issue of the Some Like It Hot OST which also features Tony Curtis and Jack Lemmon. However it's Marilyn (the Marilyn) who's the selling point here with favourites like Runnin' Wild, I Wanna Be Loved By You and I'm Thru With Love. Plenty of nostalgia

FRANK SINGLINA
The Frank Sinatra Christmas Album, Capitol CAPS 1809871.
Re-issue of his 1957 festive album, Gordon Jenkins conducts, and Sinatra brings his vocal style to Christmas favourites.

AL JULSON
The Man & The Legend. Rhapsody Records RHMDI 1/3.
Distribution: IDS. Three albums which are likely to appeal more to the serious Jolson collector than the average record buyer, a total of 60 tracks, all taken from radio broadcasts. Eye-catching sleeve designs and extensive sleeve notes enhance the overall package.
** (each album)

LESLIE HUTCHINSON
The Magic Of Hutch. Joy D 269. Distribution: IDS: The late
Thirties pianist came back into the headlines recently via a new
book about the late Edwina Mountbatten, but this mid-price
album is a reminder of his considerable musical talents which
delighted the cafe society of his day. The songs include Where Or
When, Let's Fall In Love, What's New? and Among My
Souvenirs. The material is licensed from the Decca catalogue.

LESLIE HUTCHINSON

VARIOUS
Sid Phillips & His Band, Goody Goody, President PLE 502.
Lee Lawrence, Fascination, PLE 504.
Lew Stone & His Band, Coffee In The Morning, PLE 505.
Three albums in President's Lucky Evergreen series which sees recordings unavailable for more than two decades. The Phillips' LP documents musical highlights from the late clarinet player's long recording career, while Lee Lawrence, who died in the early Fifties before his career had fully blossomed, renders Blue Tango, Marta, With These Hands and Crying In The Chapel, later revived by Elvis Presley. The Lew Stone LP is particularly notable because Al Bowlly, the top male singer of the Thirties, features on many of the tracks. on many of the tracks.
** (each album)

ROY AYERS Drivin' On Up. Uno Melodic (Pinnacle) UMLP2. Five tracks including a nine-minute version of Black Family and the edited version of Chicago that should help to re-establish Ayers after something of a lull.

SHADOWSHOW

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TM Records TM3. Producer: Jon Hiseman. Distribution: PRT. An almost frightening array of talent and experience, with Argent's vocals and Thompson's sax and flute playing dominant. while Hiseman, Clem Clempson and John Mole provide a beautiful, solid framework. This will have no trouble attacting the thinking end of the AOR, rock and even jazz seck market. rock markets.

DAVE BALL
In Strict Tempo. Some Bizzare BIZL 5. Distribution: PolyGram, Producer: artist. As the gloriously sleazy-and-proud-of-it Soft Cell fade into the sunset, the less controversial member of the duo, Dave Ball, has come up with his own solo LP. Even with such distinguished contributors as Genesis P Orridge and Virginia Astley, it lacks that spark of passion and originality that was for a while Soft Cell's hallmark. Should do well on the strength of the name though.

THE IMPRESSIONS

It's All Right. Kent KENT 005. Distribution: Pinnacle. A re-issue of Curtis Mayfield and the boys' 1963 debut, and sublime stuff it is too Doo-wop, R&B and soul at its most delicious. Should sell in wake of press acclaim and advertising.

VARIOUS ARTISTS
On The Soul Side. Kent KENT 006. Distribution: Pinnacle. Classy compilation of obscure mid-Sixties soul. While the artists are mostly unknown, the songs conjure memories of cherished Motown standards.

Indies

VARIOUS ARTISTS
Floorshakers, Kent Records, KENT 007. Distribution: Pinnacle. More prime Northern soul from the tasteful Kent label. Obscure to be sure, but the Tamlaesque groove never falters. Could save ridiculous amounts of cash changing hands in northern niteries.

VICTORIA WOOD

Lucky Bag. Elecstar Records VCLP 001. Distribution: PRT. The first album from Wood (half of Wood and Walters) which successfully captures the atmosphere and essence of her hiarious live act. The album, a combination of music and comedy, was recorded at the Edinburgh

DOLLY MIXTURE

Demonstration Tapes. Dolly Mixture DM LP 1. Distribution: IDS.
Limited-edition two-album white label set which has all Dolly Mixture's demo tapes in chronological order. Even the sleeves have all been individually signed and numbered. The Mixture are best-known for their work with Captain Sensible.

THE MAISONETTES

Maisonettes For Sale. Ready Steady Go! RSGLI. Distribution: IDS. It has taken a long time for the Midlands group to get their first album out. It naturally includes the memorable Heartache Avenue, and 11 other tracks, none of which capture the magic of the single. The Maisonettes could have a tough battle on their hands with this offering.

GLEN BRANCA
Symphony No 1 (Tonal Plexus). ROIR A 125. Distribution: Red Rhino.
Sublime or ridiculous? The heavy metal symphony had to come and it's
presented here in tape format only just in time to fill headbangers'
stockings. Branca and his 16 guest musicians beat the hell out of
Symphony No 1 in a highly industrial manner, almost devoid of any
recognisable tune, in four movements. Your HM customers will love it or
loathe it.

THE SOFT BOYS
Invisible Hits. Midnight Music. CHIME 00.02 Distribution: IDS. The Soft Boys may be no more, but Midnight Music are determined not to let them rest in peace. It's difficult to judge the market for this batch of previously unreleased material so long after the group's heyday in the late seventies, but their Velvet Undergroundish-punkish sound still has its attractions. Trouble is, it does smack a bit of the bottom of the barrel.

BIG JIM SULLIVAN BAND Test Of Time. Street Tunes STLP 0011. Producer: Mike Vernon. Sullivan's reputation as a guitarist is near-legendary — as a session player he has worked with many top rock, pop and MOR artists over the years. The material is co-written by Sullivan (with Les Walker and Nicky Moore) and the album should go some way to establishing him in his own right.

Crack House, Criminal Damage, CRI MLP 105, Distribution: Cartel, Backs, Six-track mini-LP from Blackpool miscreants. The lyrical pleas for individuality are not, unfortunately, matched by the music, which crosses familiar musical territory in a predictable fashion.

Cold Love. American Phonograph KSAP2. Distribution: Jungle, Backs. An uncomfortable blend of humourless heavy rock and tired old new wave. No songs to speak of, just some passé spouting about being "Satan's children" and wanting to "kill the aged". Ho hum.





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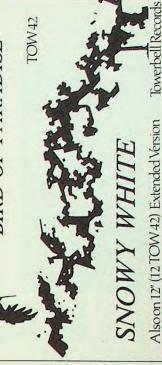
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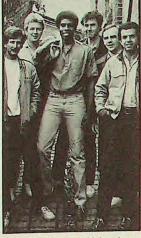








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THE COLD Hand Band (above) are a semi-professional band who have already recorded a single — for DJM and have had a track featured on a Dutch TV album (on Arcade Records) which was number one in the Benelux charts for four weeks.

CHB features Robbie Mann, John Dunthorne, Sammy Shiell, Michael Haroon, Eddie Thorogood and George Frederick. Their manager, Slim Kilby, says: "They all contribute to harmonies, are firm friends, and work very well together. The Cold Hand Band are a multiracial band who have established an impreceable record of live CHB features Robbie Mann, John impeccable record of live performances on stage throughout the UK. Their talent and versatility has brought them high regard wherever they have appeared."

CHB are looking for "professional management who can obtain TV promotion and concert tours, plus recording opportunities, along with the will to carry out a thoroughly professional job on behalf of the band.

In return, the band can offer "the publishing rights for an abundance of good original material, plus total commitment from the band, and a

talent and ability to succeed". Contact: "Slim" Kilby, Tel: (0268)

Talent tips

SIXTIES BAND The Honeycombs who had a worldwide hit with Have I The Right, are in action again with a different line-up. Still fronted by Martin Murray, who founded the original group, The Honeycombs' new line-up includes a female drummer (Kitty) who follows in the footsteps of the original drummer, Honey. They have recorded an updated version of Have I The Right, produced and arranged by Murray who says: "The original recording was turned down by several companies, on the basis that it wasn't commercial I hope they don't make the same mistake

Contact: Martin Murray, Honeycombs 83, 16 Copinger Walk North Road, Edgware, Middlesex (01-952 3298).

LIVERPOOL BAND The Balcony are looking for recording interest — they have a tape of songs available, and have also re-issued a single on the

Liverpool indie label Praxis. Contact: D Palmer, 31 Prospect Vale, Fairfield, Liverpool L6 8PE (051-228 5928)

LIFE OF Leisure, a five-piece band LIFE OF Leisure, a five-piece band based in Slough who play "rhythmic dance music", are looking for an experienced manager or management company. The band have already had record interest from their first demo, and have also played several London dates. played several London dates

Contact: Paris, 5 Langley Broom, Langley, Slough, Berkshire.

Alpert blows in

AN INFREQUENT visitor to these shores nowadays is Herb Alpert — the A in A&M Records — but he was in London recently to promote his new album, Blow Your Own Horn, which naturally enough is on A&M. He also helped his wife Lani Hall launch her own single, Never Say Never Again, the title song from the latest James Bond film starring Sean Connery.

It was back in the Sixties that Alpert joined forces with It was back in the Sixties that Alpert Joined forces will Jerry Moss in founding the record label which has since become the recording home for names like The Carpenters, Elkie Brooks, Burt Bacharach and Chris de Burgh. Two decades later the company has expanded from a small garage set-up to a multi-million pound industry which has also gained the respect of many along

In 1962 Jerry Moss was a successful independent record promotion man on the West Coast, while Alpert was a professional trumpet player. "We started the label in a garage, and soon after I recorded The Lonely Bull Tijuana Brass which sold more than 800,000 with the Tijuana Bra copies," Alpert recalls

'Everybody thought that was just a fluke hit, mainly because of our close proximity to Tijuana and the Mexican border, and said that we should give up while the going was good. In fact that single was the first of many album and single successes for myself and the Tijuana Brass, and was the financial bedrock of A&M

The mid-Sixties saw many hits by other artists on A&M including Chris Montez, The Sandpipers, Sergio Mendes, Brasil 66 and of course The Carpenters. In early 1969 Richard and Karen Carpenter sent Alpert a demo tape that they had made in their own small recording studio in

'Initially I fell in love with the voice," Alpert says. "It had so much presence that even just listening to it on a tape, you felt that Karen was sitting right there at the side of you. Surprisingly though, in view of their big success later, many people raised their eyebrows when I signed them to the label, and their first album wasn't very commercial at all.

Two UK signings to A&M in the US were Joe Cocker and Cat Stevens, and they marked the turning point in the label's history in that the musical policy switched from MOR and easy-listening to being more rock orientated.

"I think that one of the major reasons for A&M's success is that we have a staff who are committed to the music, and indeed to the whole lifestyle — some of the big companies are very clinical in their approach to music, and it shows. We try to be honest to ourselves and other people, and put out good music that if we were fans we would buy ourselves," Alpert says.

"As a company we also stay with artists we believe in, and we like to take chances with artists. Chris de Burgh is an excellent example — he sells many albums around the world, but has yet to break through in the UK, although that can only be a matter of time. Elkie Brooks is someone else who has a lot of success in her home market but has yet to break big in the US. It is a matter of finding the right record with her."

Alpert's own recording career continues to thrive, and his most recent LP, Blow Your Own Horn, has attracted good reviews even in the pop press. One track on the album is his treatment of Garden Party by the Icelandic band, Mezzoforte — "When I first heard their version I inadvertently played it at the wrong speed — I thought, what a great arrangement, and it was only later after I had recorded it that I realised my mistake!"

He is also hopeful that wife Lani's recording of Never Say Never Again, written by Michel Legrand and Marilyn and Alan Bergman, will finally establish her as a major singing star. She was discovered by Sergio Mendes and was the lead singer with Brasil 66 for several years, before making a string of critically-acclaimed solo



INCANTATION RELEASED their second album, Dance Of The Flames, Beggars Banquet last week — the follow-up to the Cacharpaya (Panpipe Of The Andes) LP. The latter has sold 150,000 units despite being originally

described as "uncommercial" by many
Incantation — comprising Simon Rogers, Forbes Henderson,
Hinnigan, Mike Taylor and Chris Swithinbank — are classically Hinnigan, Mike Taylor and Chris Swithinbank — are classically trained musicians who were working with the Ballet Rambert, for whom they wrote the South American-influenced music for a new ballet, Ghost Dances, Such was the demand for a recording of the score that they released their own self-financed cassette, which sold several thousand copies.

"Beggars Banquet approached us about releasing it commercially," lead ager Tony Hinnigin says. "Theirs was the one label we felt was genuinely singer Tony Hinnigin says.

singer Tony Hinnigin says. "Theirs was the one label we felt was genuinely interested in what we were doing. We recorded the album, and Pennine Radio in Bradford started playing tracks — the whole thing took off from there."

Since then Panpipes Of The Andes has been released worldwide including Japan, Australia and Canada. The new LP was recorded at ex-Ultravox member John Foxx's studio, The Garden, in Shoreditch. "Dance 'Of The Flames is more ethnic then the first album, simply because we have learnt to play more authentic South American musical instruments since then," says. "Wasian "Molina had offers to work for other acties, including Paul "We've had offers to work for other artists, including Paul who asked us to work on some contents." McCartney who asked us to work on some recordings for his Pipes Of Peace LP — although we had to turn that offer down — and Annabel Etkind, the harp

DIY music centre plan for Brent

A PROJECT to promote black music and at the same time "fight unemployment in one of the capital's depressed inner areas" — is being backed by the Brent Black Music Co-op Ltd.

Work is currently in progress on London's first do-it-yourself music centre, which will be based at a converted warehouse in Willesden, north London. The project is being financed by grants from central government and the local authority, as well as from the GLC's employment unit, as part of the

urban aid programme.

Leslie Palmer and Carl Levy. managing directors of the Brent Black Music Co-op, said: "The BBMC exists to assist musicians working in the black music field, and we provide employment, training and career guidance in the music industry. Our services include a 24track recording studio, rehearsal rooms, record label, publishing and

Coming up from down under with some Real Life

FOLLOWING HOT in the footsteps of Men At Work are Australian band Real Life (pictured right at the Virgin Megastore in Oxford Street) whose first single, Send Me An Angel, was top five in their native country. number one in New Zealand, and is climbing the US Billboard

Real Life's single is released in the Real Life's single is released in the UK by MCA Records, who flew the band into the country for a week of non-stop promotional appearances. Real Life from Melbourne features

Dave Sterry, Richard Zatorski, Allan Johnson and Danny Simcic. In Australia the band are signed to Wheatley Records, and Send Me An Angel was produced by Glenn Wheatley and Ross Cockle. They've recently finished recording their first



REAL LIFE

Heartland (produced by Steve Hillage) which is due for release by MCA early next year.

Zatorski, who along with Sterry, writes the band's material, says: "In Australia it's important to have a good reputation as a live act before you get record company interest. We had been doing about 200-250

gigs a year before being signed."

The band are planning to return to the UK in early spring for some live gigs, but before then they plan to record their second album. "We realise the importance of working the different markets — which is what we've done in Australia, touring everywhere and building up a solid reputation on the gigging circuit," says Zatorski.

Sarah Vaughan & Co

PROMOTER MERVYN Conn is to be congratulated on his recent season of jazz concerts which have brought top names in jazz to the UK.

The Sarah Vaughan/Billy

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The Sarah Vaughan/Billy
Eckstine/Woody Herman and the
Young Thundering Herd concert at
the Royal Albert Hall climaxed the
"jazz greats" season, and it was a
fitting finale. A capacity audience
was treated to more than two-and-atelf heave of mysic by survivors of half hours of music by survivors of generations of changing musical trends

Sarah Vaughan has few peers in the jazz world, and she brought her unique style to a variety of songs which included evergreens from the which included evergreens from the pens of such as Cole Porter and Duke Ellington, and more contemporary numbers like Sondheim's Send In The Clowns. When she sang with Billy Eckstine the combination was magical. Woody Herman has also survived several decades in the music world, and many fine musicians have passed through the ranks of his Young Thundering Herd.

While the Royal Albert Hall's acoustics don't lend themselves to jazz concerts, this was nevertheless a memorable evening CHRIS WHITE

Ozzie Osbourne

WHATEVER YOU think of Ozzie Osbourne's music, he puts on a great show — an exotic display of lighting and backdrops at the Hammersmith Odeon complemented the music effectively.

Many HM bands could take a leaf

out of Ozzie's book - the sound quality was outstanding, with some pretty classy musicians including Carmine Appice on drums. Ozzie also, importantly, has a sense of humour. His satanic brand of rock included

songs from his new album and current single Bark At The Moon, and reached back to Black Sabbath days for the classic Paranoid. Best of the rest were Revelation Mother Earth and Journey To The Centre Of Eternity.

The guitarist played some remarkable breaks, never missing a beat, while Ozzie stalked around the stage exorting the assembled hordes to create mayhem. But, on balance, it was a low key show by Osbourne standards. Perhaps he nears the end of his life as a credible HM rocker

CHARLIE JEFFREY

The Gun Club

HAVING ALREADY swapped the impetuous punkabilly of their Venue debut of 18 months ago for the more brooding and impressive fire of their last Lyceum appearance in May, Gun Club have now (d)evolved into a shambling mélange of feedback

and apathy.

All three appearances have featured line-up changes, and the latest sees Kid Congo returning to the fold after a lengthy spell with the Cramps. But line-up changes can't excuse the previously felling musical body blows being replaced by this uncoordinated drunken lunge.

Lead singer Jeffrey, with his peroxide thatch more unkempt than ever, and his vocal delivery bearing all the conviction of one who'd sooner be somewhere/anywhere else, seemed like a man on a mission of self-destruction. And while he'd be delighted to have created this impression, witnessing him live out some unfocused vision of decadence was hardly riveting entertainment.

The Chrysalis ensemble's plaquelike avoidance of musical finesse seemed forced and meant their unique marriage of punk, blues, country and rockabilly lost most of its subtlety and power. As the bewildered audience would testify, bewildered audience would slumming it is not enough. JOHN WURST

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0 = PLATINUM LP (300,000 units as of Jan '79)

RE = RE-ENTRY

Neutron/Phonogram NTRL 2 Two Tone CHR TT 5007

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≈ SILVER LP (60,000 units as of Jan '79)

TOP 30 CASSETTES

20	19	18 20	17 23	16 17	15 14	14 10	13 28	12 13	=	
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U2 LIVE "UNDER A BLOOD RED SKY"	AN INNOCENT MAN Billy Joel	THE MUSIC OF RICHARD CLAYDERMAN Richard Clayderman Delp	HAVE YOU EVER BEEN IN LOVE Leo Sayer	VOICE OF THE HEART Carpenters	TOUCH Eurythmics	CAN'T SLOW DOWN Lionel Richie	FORMULA 30 Various	THANK YOU FOR THE MUSIC Abba	HIT SQUAD—HITS OF '83 Various	
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27 25

Joan Armatrading TRACK RECORD

A&M JAC 2001 RCA PK 70022

26 26

GREATEST HITS

Paul McCartney PIPES OF PEACE

Parlophone TCPCTC 1

Polystar PROMC 3

CBS 40/10044

Bucks Fizz

24 RE

THE ESSENTIAL JEAN MICHEL JARRE Jean Michel Jarre

23 18

Various IMAGINATIONS

25 29

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LABOUR OF LOVE GREATEST HITS Marvin Gaye

DEP International/Virgin CA DEP 5

Telstar STAC 2234

21 24

28 22

Shakin' Stevens

THE BOP WON'T STOP

29 TIET Tracey Uliman

YOU BROKE MY HEART IN 17 PLACES

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30 CIEC ORIGINAL MOTION PICTURE SOUNDTRACK—YENTL CBS 40/86302

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Paul Young NO PARLEZ COLOUR BY NUMBERS

NOW, THAT'S WHAT I CALL MUSIC

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WHAT'S NEW Linda Bonstadt

AN INNOCENT MAN, Billy Joel

10 ROCK 'N' SOUL PART 1, Hall/Oates

12* 12 UH-HUH, John Cougar Mellencamo

16 PIPES OF PEACE, Paul McCartney

13 PYROMANIA, Def Leppard

18 THE BIG CHILL, Soundtrack

GENESIS, Genesis

14 FLIMINATOR ZZ Ton

EYES THAT SEE IN THE DARK, Kenny Rogers

30 SEVEN AND THE RAGGED TIGER, Duran Duran EMI

COLOUR BY NUMBERS, Culture Club

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3 THRILLER, Michael Jackson

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19* 21 YENTL, Barbra Streisand Col/CBS 20* 20 INFIDELS Bob Dylan Col/CBS 17 GREATEST HITS, Air Supply 21 Arista 22* THE CROSSING, Big Country Mercury 19 LIVE FROM EARTH, Pat Benatar 23 Chrysalis 24* 28 TWENTY GREATEST HITS, Kenny Rogers Liberty FLASHDANCE, Soundtrack 25 Casablanca 23 ALIVE, SHE CRIED, The Doors 26 Elektra FASTER THAN ..., Bonnie Tyler 27 25 Columbia/CBS Chrysalis SPORTS, Huev Lewis & The News 28 24 29 REACH THE BEACH, The Fixx BARK AT THE MOON, Ozzy Osbourne 46 Epic 30* 31 31 NO PARKING, Midnight Star Solar 35 TOUR DE FORCE, 38 Special A&M LET'S DANCE, David Bowie 33 29 **EMI America** 34* 36 STAY WITH MF TONIGHT, Jeffrey Osborne A&M 34 SPEAKING IN TONGUES, Talking Heads Sire 37 SHOUT AT THE DEVIL, Motley Crue 36* Warner Bros 37* 38 HEARTS & BONES, Paul Simon 40 1999, Prince Warner Bros GREATEST HITS - VOL II, Barry Manilow Arista Nemperor 40* 47 IN HEAT, The Romantics BULLETS 41-100

42* 44 ELECTRIC UNIVERSE, Earth Wind & Fire Col/CBS

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43* 72	TWO OF A KIND — SOUNDTRACK John Travolta/Olivia Newton-John/Various MCA
44* 45	COMEDIAN, Eddie Murphy Columbia/CBS
46* 68	U2 LIVE "UNDER A BLOOD RED SKY", U2 Island
49* 55	VOICE OF THE HEART, The Carpenters A&M
50* 54	RAPPIN' RODNEY, Rodney Dangerfield RCA
53* 57	THE BEST OF, The Alan Parsons Project Arista
55* 61	MIDNIGHT MADNESS, Night Ranger Camel/MCA
67* 71	IT'S YOUR NIGHT, James Ingram Qwest
68* 77	REBEL YELL, Billy Idol Chrysalis
69* 73	ERROR IN THE SYSTEM, Peter Schilling Elektra
70* 94	WOMAN OUT OF CONTROL, Ray Parker Jr. Arista
71* 93	STRIP, Adam Ant Epic
74× 160	IN THE HEART, Kool & The Gang De-Lite
79× 112	BREAK OUT, Pointer Sisters Planet
80* 91	GREATEST HITS VOLUME 2, Olivia Newton-John MCA
81* 84	THE PRESENT, The Moody Blues Threshold
82* 86	WITHOUT A SONG, Willie Nelson Columbia/CBS
83* 88	A LITTLE GOOD NEWS, Anne Murray Capitol
84* N	BEAUTY STAB, ABC Mercury
87* 95	MADONNA, Madonna Sire
98* 124	WHAT A FEELIN', Irene Cara Geffen/Network

OTHER NEW ENTRIES

157*	TOO FAST FOR LOVE, Motley Crue	Elektra		
165*	JOYSTICK, Dazz Band	Motown		
167*	RUMBLE FISH — SOUNDTRACK, Stewart Copeland	A&M		
186*	DAWN PATROL, Night Ranger	Camel/MCA		
190*	WHAT IS BEAT? (THE BEST OF THE B The English Beat	EAT) I.R.S.		
191*	DIFFERENT STYLE, Musical Youth	MCA		
195*	* THE BEST OF ZZ Top Warner B			

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1	7	2	NOW, THAT'S WHAT I CALL MUSIC (Carlous (Various (Various)) EMI/Virgin NOW 1 (E) C: TC:NOW 1
2	1	21	NO PARLEZ C CBS 25521 (C)
3	4	9	Paul Young (Laurie Latham) COLOUR BY NUMBERS Virgin V 2285 (E) Culture Club (Stove Levine) C: 40/25521 City Color City City City City City City City City
4	2	7	STAGES (X) K-Tel/WEA NE 1262 (K)
5	3	53	Elaine Paige (Tony Visconti) C CE 2262 THRILLER
6	5	3	Michael Jackson (Quincy Jones) C: 40/85930 SEVEN AND THE RAGGED TIGER EMI DD 1 (E)
7	6	3	Duran Duran (Alex Sadkin/lan Little/Duran Duran) C:TCDD 1 U2 LIVE "UNDER A BLOOD RED SKY" ■ Island IMA 3 (E)
	8	24	U2 (Jimmy Iovine) C: IMC 3 FANTASTIC Inner Vision IVL 25328 (C)
8	12	_	Wham! (Steve Brown/George Michael) CHAS 'N' DAVE'S KNEES UP Rockney/Towerbell ROC 911 (A)
9		_	Chas 'n' Dave (Chas & Dave) C: ZC-ROC 911 GENESIS Charisma/Virgin GENLP 1 (E)
10	11	10	Genesis (Genesis with Hugh Padgham) C: GENMC 1 CAN'T SLOW DOWN Motown STMA 8041 (R)
11	9	8	Lionel Richie (Richie/Carmichael/Foster) C: CSTMA 8041 TOUCH RCA PL 70109 (R)
12	13	4	Eurythmics (David A. Stewart) C: PK 70109 FORMULA 30 Decca PROLP 4 (F)
13	31	4	Various (Various) CHART HITS '83 VOLS 1/2 K-tel NE 1256 (K)
14	10	6	Various (Various) C: CE 2256
15	21	6	HAVE YOU EVER BEEN IN LOVE Chrysalis LEOTV 1 (F) Leo Sayer (Christopher Neil/Various) C: ZCLEO 1
16	14	15	AN INNOCENT MAN CBS 25554 (C) Billy Joel (Phil Ramone) CBS 25554
17	17	13	LABOUR OF LOVE DEP International/Virgin LP DEP 5 (E) UB40 (UB40/Ray 'Pablo' Falconer) DEP International/Virgin LP DEP 5 (E) C: CA DEP 5
18	20	10	VOICE OF THE HEART ● A&M AMLX 64954 (C) Carpenters (Richard Carpenter) C: CXM 64954
19	18	4	TRACK RECORD ● A6M JA 2001 (C) Joan Armatrading (Various) C: JAC 2001
20	22	6	GREATEST HITS Telstar STAR 2234 (R) Marvin Gaye (Various) C: STAC 2234
21	19	5	THANK YOU FOR THE MUSIC ● Epic EPC 10043 (C) Abba (Benny Andersson/Bjorn Ulvaeus) C: 40/10043
22	37	3	YOU BROKE MY HEART IN 17 PLACES ● Stiff SEEZ 51 (C) Tracey Ullman (Various) C: ZSEEZ 51
23	15	6	HIT SQUAD — HITS OF '83 Ronco RON LP 4 (B) Various (Various) C: C RON 4
24	29	6	PIPES OF PEACE ● Parlophone PCTC 7(S) Paul McCartney (George Martin) C: TC PCTC 1
25	40	6	THE ESSENTIAL JEAN MICHEL JARRE Polystar PROLP 3 (F) Jean Michel Jarre (Jean Michel Jarre) C: PROMC 3
26	25	9	SNAP! ● Polydor SNAP 1 (F) The Jam (Various) C: SNAPC 1
27	16	3	BACK TO BACK Vertigo/Phonogram VERH 10 (F) Status Quo (Status Quo) C: VERHC 10
28	35	10	SILVER EMICLIF 1(E) Cliff Richard (Various) C: TC CLIF 1
29	32	11	THE MUSIC OF RICHARD CLAYDERMAN Decca/Delphine SKL5333(F)
30	27	9	IMAGINATIONS ● CBS 10044 (C)
31	30	4	Various (Various) C. 40/10044 THE BOP WON'T STOP ■ Epic EPC 86301 (C)
32	28	8	Shakin' Stevens (Chris Neil/Shakin' Stevens/R. Hughson) C. 40/86301 ROCK 'N SOUL PART 1 ● RCA PL 84858 (R)
33	26	5	Daryl Hall & John Oates (Various) C: PK 84858 UNDERCOVER ● Rolling Stones ROL 1 (€)
34	64	2	The Rolling Stones (The Glimmer Twins/Chris Kimsey) C: TC ROL 1 PHIL SPECTOR'S GREATEST HITS/XMAS ALBUM © C: PSLK 1/2
35	34		Various (Phil Spector/Wall Of Sound) Impression PSLP 1/2 (IDS) TOO LOW FOR ZERO Rocket/Phonogram HISPD 24 (F)
36		24	Elton John (Chris Thomas) C: REWND 24 18 GREATEST HITS Telstar STAR 2232 (R)
37	39	5	Michael Jackson Plus The Jackson 5 (Various) C: STAC 2232 ORIGINAL SOUNDTRACK — YENTL CBS 86302 (C)
-	41	3	Barbra Streisand (Barbra Streisand/Alan & Marilyn Bergman) C: 40/86302 GREATEST HITS RCA PL 70022 (R)
38		_	Bucks Fizz (Andy Hill) C, PK 70022 THE TWO OF US ● K-tel NE 1222 (K)
39	24	11 2	Various (Various) C : CE 2222 BARK AT THE MOON Epic EPC 25739 (C)
40	23	5	Ozzy Osbourne (Osbourne/Daisley/Norman) C: 40/25739 SUPERCHART 83 Telstar STAR 2236 (R)
41		_	Various (Various) C: STAC 2236 LET'S DANCE EMI America AML 3029 (E)
42	38		David Bowie (David Bowie/Nile Rodgers) C. TC-AML 3029
43	44	4	Yes (Trevor Horn/Yes) C: 790125-4
44	-	28	George Benson (Arif Mardin) C: K 923744-4
45	42	6	ROXY MUSIC — ATLANTIC YEARS 1973-1980 EG/Polydor EGLP 54 (F) Roxy Music (Roxy Music/Rhett Davies/Chris Thomas) C: EGMC 54 CREEN VELIVET
46	NE		GREEN VELVET Ronco RON LP 6 (B) Various (Various) C.C RON 6
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Beville takes over the APRS chair

THE NEW chairman of the APRS is Mike Beville, MD of Audio and Design and a long-standing member of the Executive Committee.

He is the first manufacturing member of the APRS to be voted chairman, and he succeeds Wembley Music Centre/CTS MD Peter Harris who has been chairman for the past three years but who has recently resigned because professional workload prevented him from continuing with the ever-more-demanding activities of the Association's chair.

At a Christmas lunch last week Harris joined his former fellow committee members as guest of honour, and was presented with an inscribed silver tankard.

SSL crosses Abbey Road

IT WOULD be quite forgivable for SSL founder and head Colin Sanders to see the selling not just one but two SSL 4000E desks to Abbey Road Studios as something of a coup even for a company which even for a company which has been phenomenally successful in entering, and rapidly coming to dominate, the UK top line console market.

"We are delighted to have Abbey Road as a customer," says Sanders. "It says a lot about professionalism and reputation that this studio has bought SSL; it's not because we are 'flavour of the month, but because — after coming to our place and asking a lot of very tough technical questions management engineers here decided they

The growth of SSL has already become a symbol of UK technical and manufacturing

simply: "I've bought two, but I'd like to have four." He has chosen SSL believes it to because he be the best console available at the moment, and he reveals that he has received bookings on the strength of it.

Parsons (one-time Alan Abbey Road trainee engineer) has used it for the new Alan which is a challenge to SSL technically, and which the customers latch onto in the way they have to this, I would obviously have to think about re-equipping again."

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Sanders believes that SSL
has the right far-sighted
attitude. His company offers
new modules to update
existing desks, and is also



THE 100TH SSL 4000E series console was re-cently installed in studio two at Abbey Road. To mark the occasion SSL presented the studio with a painting of the design for their ad pub-licising the sale. Based on the artwork for the sleeve of the Roates Abbey, Pood office. licising the sale. Based on the artwork for the sleeve of the Beatles Abbey Road album, it contains some interesting, humorous and futuristic touches. The Beatles are still there on the crossing, but it is the state-of-the art console that catches the eye. At the presentation are left to right! Alan Shacklock, currently producing The Alarm in studio two; Ken Townsend; Colin Sanders, and Anthony David of SSL.

success in a tough world market, and has added a new staff member every fortnight for the past few years. More land and a house near the HQ at Stonesfield in Oxfordshire have been bought-allowing the R&D department to move to bigger premises. The main to bigger premises. The main building will be doubled in size within the next year: but it will keep its attractive looks as the architect for the extension is Eric Parry, who designed the present building.

Abbey Road general manager Ken Townsend expresses his satisfaction with his SSL purchase by saying

Parson Project album; and it has also been used for some Stephane Grapelli recordings. Townsend is forthright about regarding the purchase of an SSL (and another is to be installed in April next year, but he has not decided whether it will go into studio one or studio three) as being a marketing advantage at the moment. He sees that particular aspect of the matter as probably needing review in a few years. "I see the danger as coming from something quite new — not competition from existing makes of desk," he ventures. "If something is produced existing something is produced working on new developments. If a new SSL series desk is to make its bow, it will be fullyarmed to meet the competition of the day, he promises, because SSL will continue to scrap prototypes and first production models in order to put gremlin-free items onto the market from launch date.

Just as Ken Townsend is adopting a wait-and-see attitude to going digital, Sanders is in no hurry to compete with Neve in that area. R&D is going on at Stonesfield, but the signal processing chip they dream of has yet to be created.

Virgin cuts a high flyer

THERE WERE celebrations Townhouse Studios last week following the recently-completed second cutting roo achieving its first number one single with Flying Pickets. No mean achievement since the room has been in operation for barely six weeks.

"The new cutting room is proving its worth already," says managing director Barbara Jeffries with due modesty.

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This additional facility is just a part of substantial changes planned for both the Townhouse complex and the recently acquired Ramport Studios. On January 7, work will start on refitting Townhouse 2 with a new Solid State Logic E Series desk, and in March Townhouse 1 to be fitted with an SSL 6000 desk and updated to make it well geared up for video post production work, an area Jeffries sees as vital for

'Obviously we are looking at digital very carefully," adds Jeffries, "and that will be the next major step we take, but it will mean us

needing more room than we have at present."

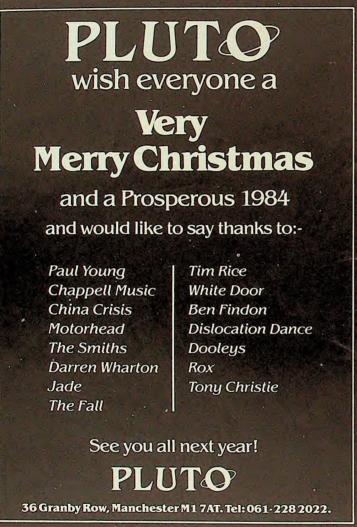
She does not rule out the possibility of Virgin investing in yet another studio, adding "We have

made a lot of money, but are re-investing nearly all of it."

Plans for Ramport, now re-named Townhouse Plans for Ramport, now re-named Townhouse 3, include substantial changes, but at the same time retaining aspects of the existing, established character of the place. "It's the first time we've actually taken over an existing/working studio," says Jeffries. "It has its own customers which we want to keep and we want to balance this with the business we know we can bring in.

"We've got to update some of the equipment we will be moving in the Helios desk from here
 in April — a lot of our clients are very fond of that; the control room needs some acoustic work on it, and the actual room itself needs some atmosphere generating in it. Overall, the project will be good for our technical team to get their teeth into.

The Townhouse and the Manor ("The first love of the empire") continue to enjoy more than healthy bookings, with barely an empty or dead day all year, and the peace of the Oxfordshire countryside being disturbed by the likes of Black Sabbath, Nazareth and Saxon.





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Gates set to open

FOR THE first time in years the light footfalls and tinkling laughter of rock superstars is not to be heard at Park Gates Studio in Sussex. The house is empty of residential clients and all is quiet. The studio control room is also empty of clients but nothing like so quiet, as it is being quiet, as it is being rebuilt.

When Park Gates When Park Gates reopens in mid-to-late January, the Andy Mon-roe-designed control room will be re-equipped with an SSL 4040E console (with primary computer), Studer A800 Mk3 tape machine and Fair-light-computer

light computer.

There will also be a complete change in the residential arrangements.
A brainwave by Sarah
Springford, studio Springford, studio manager, has resulted in manager, has resulted in a very good deal with a local country hotel; clients are now offered up to eight bookings at the hotel (heated pool, tennis courts, golf, riding, wide menu, bar and endless supply of private bathrooms all within walking distance of the studio) as part of the studio hire price. She has been thinking about the been thinking about the problem for some time, as Park Gates' various upgrades attracted bigger and bigger clients.

and bigger clients.

A visitation by a
Wham! entourage of
almost a score was the
deciding factor. Now
more rooms in the house
will be reorganised as rest rooms - though a few bedrooms will still be available there.

Business as usual

ALTHOUGH THERE have been strong rumours of closure concerning Strawberry in Dorking, Surrey, the facts are that it is business as usual. The studio is up for sale as a going concern, but Eric Stewart and Graham Gouldman of 10cc are no longer involved in the studio financially or otherwise. Work is being done there on an LP for Capitol artists Group 87.

SSL for Zomba

THE NEW London studio, to be built by the Zomba Organisation, will be designed by Keith Slaughter and equipped with "the latest and Slaughter and equipped with the latest ail largest SSL" console, reveals director Clive Calder, It will also have an in-house Fairlight, and two Studer A800s to provide a 46-track

Tomba has bought a site next door to the Battery studio in Chaplin Road, Willesden, west London. The purpose-built studio will "cater for technology synthesiser/modern ecordings" with the intention of opening next

April.
Calder says: "The existing two studios at
Battery have been fully booked for the past year,
so we needed a third studio. We decided it would be best to build one from scratch so that its design would exactly suit the needs of our producers and engineers." It will also have video and film editing facilities.

and time eating facilities.

Meanwhile, the MCI-equipped mobile which has been shipped to Africa (Zomba went to Record Plant in Los Angeles to buy it because Calder felt it was the best second-hand mobile Calder felt it was the best second-hand mobile up for sale in the world at the moment) will remain there as a permanent outpost of the Zomba group, for the benefit of Jive Africa label artists (Battery Botswana?).

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London to record, since the only fully professional studios in their part of the world are in the country they are exiled from — South Africa. Now they can record where they live, with fellow African musicians.

Strawberry studio two changes

STRAWBERRY IN Stockport (fully owned for some time now by manager Peter (fully owned for some time now by manager Peter Tattersall, Rick Dixon and Richard Scott, and not connected with any other Strawberry) has sold its studio two to Granada presenter/produces. Nick Turshyllt has ducer Nick Turnbull: he renaming it Studio Two. Meanwhile Strawberry is getting its five-yearly facelift between Christmas and New Year.

Utopian cut

UTOPIA DID its first digital cut recently, hiring in a Sony 1610 for Paul McCartney to cut his Pipes Of Peace and Say Say Say single. After Jan 3 Fiona Ross-Scott will be found not at the studio but at the cable programming company Music and Vision.



SINCE REOPENING with its upgraded control room and snazzily refurbished studio room, Konk Studio in north London has been booked by Tears For Fears — whose current hit was produced there by Ross Cullum and Chris Hughes, by Vitamin Z, and by Alexis Korner, who came in to make his first LP for seven years. It was co-produced by John Alcock and the artist's son, Damien Korner, Konk's engineer (pictured above, seated at the console, with studio manager Pete Smith). Now in the studio as The Truth, with Dennis Weinrich

The Smiths in Eden

successful year, and the year in which it celebrated its 15th anniversary, Eden in Chiswick has had an interesting series

bookings. Shakin' Stevens finished the record The Bop Won't Stop and came back a few Stop and came back a Tew weeks later to work on more tracks. The bulk of the King Kurt LP was recorded there, followed by The Smiths making their first LP for Rough Trade. The Revillos did an LP for EMI and Watanabe brought their popular half-Japanese, half-English artist, Ann Lewis, to Eden to make an LP with UK musicians. Mike Hedges worked on Siouxsie's Dear Prudence single and Peter Townsend, Simon who were unable to get into Eel Pie, came in to work on the latter's current project.



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Peckham. He has remained much the same. rather larger than life, while the studio has changed, Portland having been bought by Jet.

Now, with Brian Carroll, who served years before the mast at Pye and IBC, as a partner, before the mast at Pye and IBC, as a partner, Peckham has decided to go it alone. Having acquired the cutting suite — the fate of the recording studio is as yet undecided — Peckham and Carroll have renamed the place Porky's. They offer "everything bands need in the way of advice and professional service" and a pleasant place to drop in and stay all day if so wished.

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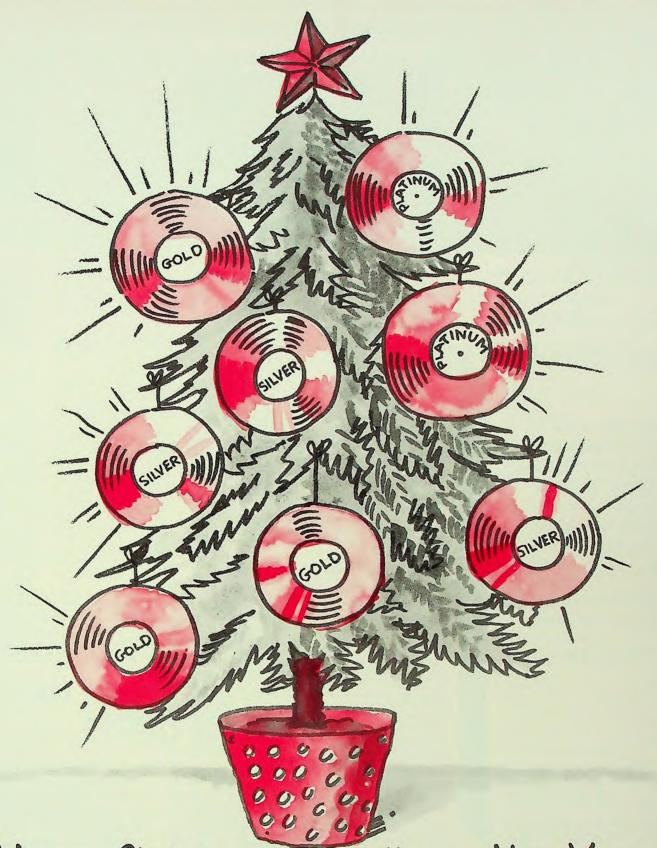
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Fureys, Carmel, Bagatelle and others. The Passion Puppets start later in the month, followed by Chris Rea.

Chris Rea.

Mayfair has been so busy that it has been decided they need a second state-of-the-art room, so studio two will be upgraded with an SSL next year ... a year which sees the 20th anniversary of the studio (though John and Kate Hudson have not been there that long). Clients this year have included Freur, Junior, Stray Cats, Orchestral Manoeuvres, and the Roomtrown Rats: regulars Ultrayox included Freur, Junior, Stray Cats, Orchestral Manoeuvres, and the Boomtown Rats; regulars Ultravox are in now making another ablum (and return after Christmas) and Dave Gilmour has some time booked before the festive break. Lansdowne's efforts to build upon its music recording business by diversifying have brought.

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A STUDIO upgrade, a new resident engineer and a silver disc all figure in the everyday tale of Livingston Studios at the moment.

Studios at the moment.

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Director and engineer Jerry Boys

Director and engineer Jerry Boys has been given a silver disc for his work on Level 42's Pursuit of Accidents LP. Rarely does one go specifically to an album's engineer. The clients recently have been about as varied as is possible, including a well-known writer/producer making a debut as an artist — Phil Coulter on piano. The latter on K-tel is doing great business in Ireland at the moment and may be released in the UK later.



STUDY in concentration: Dave Stewart at the console in Spaceward Studio, Stretham, Cambridge, producing Barbara Gaskin, with Ted Hayton, engineering. They did a 46-track mix of Leipzig, their new single which is due for release on Broken Records early next month. After that they stayed in the studio to work on a new album

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J J Burnel and Dave Green-field, who are both still very much members of the Stranglers although they were mysteriously and mistakenly described as "ex" members last month, are frequent Spaceward clients. They have been working there on music for the French film Ecoutez Vos Murs with Mike Kemp engineering. Andy Duncan was also there recording a followup to 25 Years, a hit in Germany and recorded at the same studio earlier this year. The studio was taken over couple of weeks ago by BBC Radio Cambridgeshire to broadcast their weekly live rockshow

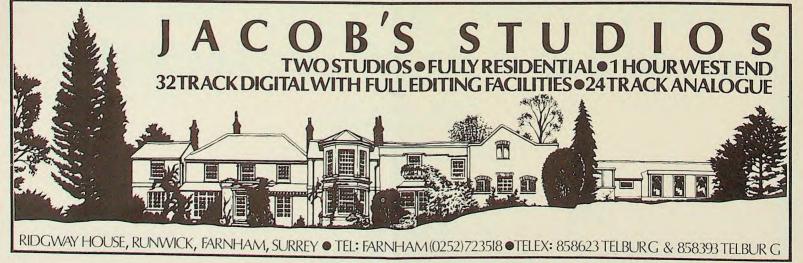
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by diversifying have brought rewards this year, with plenty of work for their music to big-screen video system, via computer. Current or recent series worked on their include Spyship, Chess there include Spyship, Chess Game, Mansfield Park and Jane Eyre.

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Also available from TER is an album of music from the film Brainstorm, which marked the last film role by the late Natalie Wood. The score features the London Symphony Orchestra, and was recorded at EMI's Abbey Road studios.

Delicate debut

BUTTON RECORDS' latest single is the debut release by Annie Lewis, entitled The Lass With The Delicate Air and is distributed by Spartan.

THE CLICK, who won the ABC Music New Sounds Of '82 competition, and who will be appearing in the LWT series Me And My Girl in the New Year, have their first single, Just Another Monday, Just Another Monday, released on the New World Record label. The group have played a series of college dates to promote it. Contact onne Thompson on 01-935

Drop of Scotch for a happy Hogmanay

AN INDIE label is looking for an unexpected Hogmanay hit with the B-side of a single originally released several months ago.

The number is A Drop Of Gaskin, with Ted Hayton, engineering. They did a 46-track mix of Leipzig, their new single which is due for release on Broken Records early next month. After that they stayed in the studio to work on a new

Both are digital mixes, using a system of assembling tracks focustion direct Other north of the border radio stations picked it up, and Gee Bee managing director, Gloria Brown, decided to officially "flip" the single.

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Now A Drop Of Scotch has been officially playlisted by West Sound, Clyde, Tay, Forth, North Sound, Moray Firth, BBC Radio Scotland, and even BBC Radio Cumbria in England. Gill him

himself has recorded several previous singles and has also written several TV and radio themes, including one for BBC TV's Friday Sportstime programme

Amalgam jazz-rock box set

THE FIRST release from new indie label, Impetus Records, is a four-album box-set featuring box-set featuring Amalgam, described as "one of the pioneers of jazz-rock in the UK, and certainly one of the best". Ken Ansell of Impetus Distribution says: "The label will be devoted to all areas of contemporary music. contemporary music, while not overlooking the importance of ethnic and folk music. We are also folk music. We are also issuing a three-album box-set documenting the work of Howard Riley, one of the UK's most radical pianists." Impetus, 587 Wandsworth Road, London SW8 3JD (01-720 4460).



LPs by Muddy Waters, Buddy Guy, Junior Wells, and Jimmy Reed. The LP sleeve features an exclusive David Oxtoby sketch of the artist.

STATIK RECORDS releases a single by former Sweet member Andy Scott. Krugerrands, which is also available as a 12-inch club mix, has been written by Scott, who also did the vocals and played on the

THE EJECTED release their third EP, Press The Button, on the Riot City label based in Bristol.

AD 1984 release a single entitled 1984 on the Grand-Prix label this week. The record is described as "a suitable anthem to ring in the new Grand-Prix, 554 Middleton Road, Carshalton, Surrey (01-648

SHEFFIELD BAND Haze headline a ten-week club tour to aid promotion of their new album, The Cellar Tapes, on the indie **Gabadon Records** label based at 25 Fir Street, Sheffield S6 3TG, Yorkshire.

JAMAICAN DUB master Prince Jammy has a new dub album, Osbourne In Dub, released on the CSA label, distributed by PRT and Jetstar. The LP was recorded and mixed at the Channel One Studios, Kingston Jamaica

THE TEMPEST, the five-piece group from Northampton who supported Bauhaus on their final UK tour, have signed to Anagram Records and release a new seven and 12-inch single, Montezuma/ABC. It follows up their previous single, Lady Left This, which picked up Radio One airplay during the summer.

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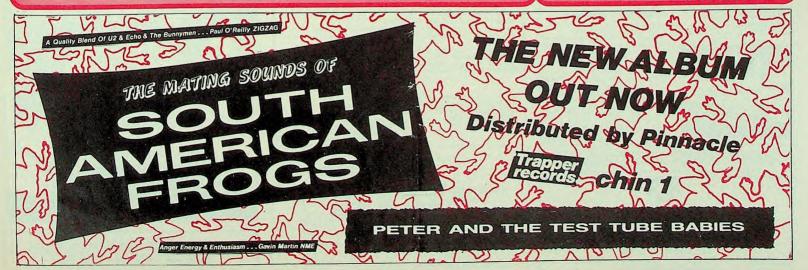
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