

record world **TOP 20**
JAZZ
LP'S

1. **MEMPHIS UNDERGROUND**
Herbie Mann—Atlantic SD 1522
2. **HOT BUTTERED SOUL**
Isaac Hayes—Enterprise ENS 1001
3. **CRYSTAL ILLUSIONS**
Sergio Mendes & Brasil '66—
A&M SP 4197
4. **AQUARIUS**
Charlie Byrd—Columbia CS 9841
5. **KARMA**
Pharoah Sanders—Impulse 9181
6. **MILES DAVIS' GREATEST HITS**
Columbia CS 9808
7. **A DAY IN THE LIFE**
Wes Montgomery—A&M SP 3012
8. **JAZZ SUPERHITS**
Various Artists—Atlantic 1528
9. **HIGH VOLTAGE**
Eddie Harris—Atlantic SD 1525
10. **MOTHER NATURE'S SON**
Ramsey Lewis—Cadet LSP 821
11. **MAKE IT EASY ON YOURSELF**
Burt Bacharach—A&M SP 4188
12. **TELL IT LIKE IT IS**
George Benson—A&M SP 3020
13. **DETROIT**
Yusef Lateef—Atlantic SD 1525
14. **STONE SOUL**
Mingo Santamaria—Columbia CS 9780
15. **FOOL ON THE HILL**
Sergio Mendes & Brasil '66—
A&M SPX 4160
16. **LIGHT MY FIRE**
Woody Herman—Cadet LSP 819
17. **LIVE AND WELL**
B. B. King—Bluesway BLS 6031
18. **JUST A MELODY**
Young-Holt Unlimited—
Brunswick BL 54150
19. **SOULFUL STRUT**
Young-Holt Unlimited—
Brunswick BL 754144
20. **FIRST TAKE**
Roberta Flack—Atlantic SD 8230

Jazz

Ellis Musical Director

Columbia recording artist Don Ellis, whose reputation as one of the most innovative jazz musicians is known throughout the world, has been chosen as Musical Director for an upcoming Soupy Sales television special. Don was recommended for the show by Vince Calandra, who is associated with "The Ed Sullivan Show."

The special will be produced by Ed Sullivan's production

firm, headed by Bob Precht, and the air date will be announced in the near future.

Don Ellis has recorded four best-selling Columbia LPs. His most recent, "The New Don Ellis Band Goes Underground" featuring Patti Allen, is getting tremendous response from coast to coast. His other albums include "Electric Bath," "Shock Treatment" and "Autumn."

Total Concepts Signs Artists

Tom Rizzi, head of Total Concepts Creative Management, has announced the acceleration of his firms' activities with the placement of a New York based rock group, Monday Rain, on A&M Records through Fireplace Productions. Their initial release for A&M, entitled, "It's All Too Much," a George Harrison tune, has just been released.

Total Concepts has also signed Folowos, a rock group from Staten Island, and Donna Massa to production management agreements. Their label affiliations will be announced shortly.

Chico Signs

Chico Hamilton has been signed for representation by Peggy King of the Paul Wagner Agency for motion picture roles. Hamilton has already read for 20th Century Fox.

In the past Hamilton has appeared in such films as "The Sweet Smell Of Success," for which he was awarded Downbeat's Best Instrumental Performance award in the Film Composers' Poll, and "Jazz In The Afternoon."

Max 'Backs'

HOLLYWOOD—Peter Max has designed the bookcover and poster art for the current Capitol Records "Back-to-School" campaign.

One million copies of Max's bookcover/poster design have been printed by Capitol and are being shipped to record dealers along with double-sided floor-display browsers that accommodate 100 albums as well as the bookcovers. Counter merchandisers, which also hold bookcovers, are also being distributed.

Carbone, Zito 'First'

Visiting Record World recently, Joey Carbone and Richie Zito revealed that they have completed their first production for the Laurie label with an original side called "So Happy Baby."

The record is the first for the writing and production team and will be followed by an album by the Yellow Brick Road, performers of "So Happy Baby." Carbone and Zito will also have an LP featuring their own group Snowball on which they do all original material.

Rooster Crowing

LONDON—The former members of the Crazy World of Arthur Brown, which broke up in New York six weeks ago, have formed a new group, "The Atomic Rooster."

They have signed this week with the Robert Stigwood Organisation for management and agency.

They are Vincent Crane, organist and one of the composers of "Fire," Carl Palmer, drummer, and Nick Graham, bass, flute and vocals.

The group make their debut later this month at the London Speakeasy and already have a whole string of club and college bookings to fulfill with offers for the group coming in from all over the world for personal appearances.

Gary Forms PR Firm

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Phil Gary, formerly a regional promotion man for Chess in Chicago, has formed his own independent production company. First release handled by Dawn on Cadet, is "The Fifth Day Of June." He is also doing independent promotion work covering all of Ohio and Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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INSIDE

PAUL HORN—Epic BXN 26466.

Flutist Horn has based his new music on his impressions of India. He has evidently absorbed and transformed the vibrations he felt. The mantras of melody are beautiful and subtle indeed. A distinctive jazz package.

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SPECIALLY EDITED SHORT CUTS

VARIOUS ARTISTS—World Pacific SS 540.

World Pacific has edited a number of cuts down to make a package right for maximum airplay. Jazz fans might want to get their hands on the sampler that features Bobby Bryant, Wilton Felder, "Groove" Holmes, the Jazz Crusaders, Wilbert Longmire, Jean-Luc Ponty, Buddy Rich, Freddy Robinson, Bud Shank, the Ernie Watts Quartet and the Gerald Wilson Orchestra.

★★★★

FUNKY SOUL

MELVIN JACKSON—Limelight LS 86071.

Some will say that Melvin Jackson is a jazz artist; others will say rock. His instrument, for those who don't know, is the acoustic string bass with Maestro G-2 filter box for guitar, Boomerang and Ampeg amplifier. His music is funky, with it and compelling.

