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Every year for the past 20, nitery-cafe owners Frank (left) and Walter (Chief) Palumbo (right) take thousands of Philadelphia's kits to the Ringing Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus on opening day. This year the operators of the Click. one of the nation's top name ork spots, will play host to 10,015 of the moppets who'll be carted in 58 busses and via trolleys and automobiles to see the Big One's first Philly show May 24. Clown in the picture is Willie Conrad. And for the statistically minded, 188,034 children have been the Palambos' big-top companions in the last two decades.



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RADIO PROGRAM TOPPERS

Bus or Plane Only Hope If Rails Strike

No Trains for Showfolk

WASHINGTON, May 1 .--- GovernwASHINGTON, May I.—Govern-ment authorities revealed today that "emergency train crews" are likely to be authorized by organized labor in the event of the nationwide rail strike which has been called for May 11, but Justice Department legalists said this emergency service will defi-nitely not affect traveling showfolk, who face the alternative of switching to overcrowded busses and planes.

According to a Department of Justice spokesman, rail union represen-tatives are willing to allow emergency trains to carry medical supplies, but entertainers and their equipment will be at a standstill so far as the rails are concerned. Sole hope for can-cellation of the strike, government officials say, rests in mediation maneuvers now going on in Chicago. It is pointed out that the emergency powers under which President Tru-man took over the railroads during The 1946 walkout have now expired. The Taft-Hartley Act, which contains provisions for anti-strike injunctions, (See Bus, Plane Only Hope, page 24)

Jock, Now a Copper, Shutters Des Moines Spots at 1 A.M.

DES MOINES. May jockey Myron Bennett, Des Moines' new safety commissioner, took a crack at his fellow showbizites recently when he ordered all night spots to fold at 1 a.m. and put a ban on serv-ing liquor on Sundays.

The KSO platter spinner's crack-down hit hardest at the ops using floorshows, since they depend on the late shows to draw them in from the taverns which close at 1. The clubs' excuse for staying open later has been the argument that they came under the restaurant rather than the tavern laws.

laws. Added to this headache, booking at the local clubs has reached a topsy-turvy pace, with some clubs now using only single acts. Seven of the local niteries now have shows, and four of these are testing a single-act policy. The Casa Loma has Jayne Walton; Critelli's, Roy Eldridge; De-Philips, Guy Raymond, and the Rhapsody, Richard Gordon. The three other spots, each using more than one act apiece, are the Pastime, with Marie Lawler and Gil Snyder; the Chesterfield, with Pa and Ma Quackenbush and Mary Ann Drake, and Tony's, with Tom and Gene Carey, plus the op, who sings, and his brother, who does a mimic. Ops and bookers, therefore, al-

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G. A. Richards License Held

1.—Disk ready trying hard to keep business es Moines' in the black, are now holding their ook a crack heads over Bennett's ultimatum.



HOLLYWOOD, May 1.—As fore-seen by The Billboard many months ago, the Petrillo ban in this country has become a major boon for foreign recording companies and artists, particularly those of England. The early prediction that American disk-eries would turn to overseas sources of supply for "masters" has been ful-filled and it presents a neat dilemma for James C. and the American Fed-eration of Musicians (AFM). For even as the AFM slashed back at a cappella ban-skirting platters this week (see other story this issue), the number of "canned music" invasions from abroad had swollen to serious proportions. All of which places the AFM in an ironic situation. The union's own ban, intended to has become a major boon for foreign

The union's own ban, intended to combat "canned music" here and pre-(See Transatlantic on page 21)

In 1st Annual Competition First Results Available

By Jerry Franken

890 Entries

By Jerry Franken NEW YORK, May 1.—First station winners in The Billboard's First Lo-cal Program Competition are an-nounced in this issue, with the full line-up of laurel coppers listed on Page 5. The program categories cov-ered are public service and music programing—two out of a total of 12 program types included in this com-petition—the first effort ever made in the industry to evaluate local pro-graming in all its phases, and cov-ering commercial and sustaining pro-grams. grams.

It was this publication's original intention to announce all winners in (See Radio Program on page 7)

Kidisk Boom Still Soaring; **New Pressers**

NEW YORK, May 1.—The startling new dimension of the kidisk field with its burst of new labels and new merchandising gimmicks (*The Bill-*board, April 30) was enhanced this week as high-speed changes, ranging from new pressing plotts to extensive from new pressing plants to extensive price revisions, heeled over heel in the tot tallow sphere. As more and more buckos turned to the comparamore buckos turned to the compara-tively fertile pickings of the kidisk market, Sun Plastics, New Jersey pressing plant, climbed into the act by setting up production in the seven-inch plastic field. Sun, which has been pressing 10 and 12-inch shellac and unbreakable platters for pop labels, is readying its plant to start operation on the abbreviated disks by May 15, with production ca-pacity claimed at 100,000 weekly. The firm's prexy, Merrill Silvers, asserts firm's prexy, Merrill Silvers, asserts he will be able to turn out a viny ne will be able to turn out a viny compound (transparent and in color if desired) cheap enough to retail at 19 cents and still be able to stand up under 500 plays. Silvers says he is (See KIDISK BOOM on page 24)

WGAR Only to Sept., Not '51 'Pending Outcome of Probe'

FCC Extends Legit in Parks

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Awaiting a final report of its investigators probing three radio stations owned by G. A. Richards, the Federal Com-G. A. Richards, the Federal Com-munications Commission (FCC) an-nounced this week that it is holding off on a permanent three-year license

off on a permanent three-year license renewal grant for Richards's Station WGAR in Cleveland. The FCC said that WGAR's license, scheduled to expire today (1), is being given a temporary extension until September 1 "pending outcome of investigation." Richards's other stations are WJR in Detroit and KMPC in Hollywood. The FCC launched its investigation into the three Richards stations sev-

into the three Richards stations sev-eral weeks ago in the wake of a story eral weeks ago in the wake of a story already made first-hand in which appeared exclusively in *The Billboard* March 6 reporting charges made by ex-KMPCers against Rich-ards. They said he directed slanting of news on KMPC. Since then, a for-mal complaint against Richards has been filed with FCC by the Radio

NEW YORK, May 1.—A committee from Actors' Equity will visit City Hall with a view to getting an appro-priation from the city for outdoor legit in parks this season as part of the golden jubilee program. The plan originated by James Light was presented to the council of Equity Tuesday (27), and the execs ap-proved it. The fact-finding commit-tee of the legit unions received the idea next and gave their blessing. Light's scheme calls for building Light's scheme calls for building portable stages in about eight dif-ferent parks scattered thruout the city and presenting revivals to neigh-borhood audiences at perhaps \$1 top. (See AE Seeks City on page 49)

News Club of Los Angeles, while several congressmen and a number of nationally-known organizations, in-cluding the Congress of Industrial Organizations (CIO), urged an inquiry.

The commission's investigators have already made first-hand investigations at Richards's three stations. Accord-ing to commission legalists, the in-vestigators have "virtually completed the report," which in addition to its findings is considered likely to con-tain recommendations leading to a public airing of the area

Bill Would Ban Sought in N.Y. Mfrs. and Nets Owning Outlets

WASHINGTON, May 1. — Rep. Harry Sheppard (D., Calif.), who this week introduced a bill to ban net-works and radio manufacturers from owning broadcast stations, plans to sit in on the Senate Interstate Com-merce Committee's radio probe which is slated for an opening hearing May 12. While the Sheppard bill is not given the ghost of a chance for pas-sage, its author indicated that its very an "added spur" to the Senate com-mittee's inquiry into radio patents, licenses and controls.

licenses and controls. Sheppard said he has already had "several satisfactory talks" with Act-ing Chairman Charles Tobey, of the Senate Interstate Commerce Commit-tee, which at its May 12 hearing will examine the role of the Radio Cor-poration of America (RCA). Under the Sheppard bill, RCA would be forced to dispose of its interest in the National Broadcasting Company (NBC), which in turn would have to sell stations. The bill proposes that all networks peddle their TV, FM and standard stations and that such firms as DuMont Laboratories, Strombergas DuMont Laboratories, Stromberg-Carlson, General Electric, Philco and Westinghouse likewise drop all broadcast interests, including pending bids.

"Dr. I. Q. Jr." Hits Det. Tele May 15

DETROIT, May 1.—First telecasts of radio's *Dr. I. Q. Jr.* show will be aired over WVJ-TV for seven weeks, starting May 15, using the WWJ studio auditorium here. The program will continue to be sponsored by Mars, Inc., over the video outlet as well, with the Grant Agency handling production.

This will be the first telecast of a radio network show in this area and one of the first to go over video for more than a one-shot schedule.

600,000 New TV Sets in 1948? Montreal Giving A Warm Welcom A Warm Welcome To Yiddish Vaude

Gallup Sees Huge Buying Wave Coming

Finds 225,000 Now in Use

NEW YORK, May 1.—At least 600,000 families are planning to buy home tele receivers during the next year in areas where video stations year in areas where video stations now are on the air, according to sur-veys completed this week by Au-dience Research, Inc. (ARI), the George Gallup organization. Samuel Northcross, ARI chief, pointed out that this sampling, first of its kind by his organization, probably was on the conservative side. Two separate studies were made by ARI, over a two-week period, and covering 15 metropolitan areas.

metropolitan areas. Factors which may boost receiver sales beyond the levels indicated in these surveys, according to North-cross, are the likelihood of lower set prices, greater availability of receiv-ers and the spreading of video to new localities. In addition, he noted that sizable zones outside the recog-nized metropolitan areas are within reach of tele signals but were not included in the research. included in the research.

225,000 in 15 Cities Now

The Gallup projections also assessed The Galup projections also assessed the probable current video circula-tion in television cities, and pointed to a figure of 225,000 home receivers in the 15 localities. Added to the 33,000 sets ARI estimates to be in places of public congregation, such as bars and theaters, the total num-ber of receivers in operation would be approximately 258,000. By April, 1949, it is ARI's prediction that 825,-000 receivers will be functioning in these access serving a combined metthese areas, serving a combined met-ropolitan population of about 34,000,-000.

Other influences on future poten-

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BROADWAY OPENING

INSIDE U.S.A. (Opened Friday, April 30) CENTURY THEATER

A revue. Lyrics and music by Howard Dietz and Arthur Schwartz. Sketches by Arnold Auerbach, Moss Hart and Arnold B. Horwitt. Directed by Robert H. Gordon. Settings by Lemuel Ayers. Costumes by Eleanor Gold-smith. Dances by Helen Tamaris. Orches-trations by Robert Russell Bennett. Con-ductor, Jay Blackstone. Company manager, Abe Cohen. Stage manager, Alan Anderson. Press representatives, Nat Dorfman and Mary Ward. Presented by Arthur Schwartz.

Mary Ward. Presented by Arthur Schwartz. CAST: Beatrice Lillie, Jack Haley, Estelle Loring. Carl Reiner, Jane Lawrence, Lewis Nye, Beverlee Bozeman, William Lemassene, Thelma Carpenter, J. C. McCord, Albert O'Powell, John Tyers, Valerie Bettis, George Reich, Rod Alexander, Herb Shriner, Ray Stephens, Jim Hawthorne, Eric Victor, Jack Cassidy, Alfred Homen, Thomas Rieder, Michael Risk. Raymond Stephens, Tally Beatty, Ricky Ricardi, Michael Charnley, Ronald Chet-wood, Robert Hamilton. Pat Horn, Mara Lynn, Joan Mann, Nanon Millis, Betty Nichols, Rich-ard Reed, Boris Tunanin, Dorothy Scott, Gioria Stevens, Royce Wallace, Holly Harris, Hilda Palmer, Court Fieming, Randell Hender-son, Mary Lou Boyd, Dorothy MacNeil, Sherry Shadburne, Jaqueline Fisher. John Mooney, Thomas Rieder, Norma Larkin.

When real experts get together to do a musical show and give their best, the result is usually propitious. Inside U. S. A. is a shining example of a fast, slick Stem revue, superbly staged, handsomely dressed and staged, handsomely dressed and charmingly backgrounded and lighted. Plenty of real showbiz sense has gone into its construction. Ar-thur Schwartz has written a good score with several tunes that have hit probabilities. Howard Dietz's lyrics are mostly sharp and amusing. The sketches, which stem from Arnold Auerbach, Moss Hart and Arnold Horwitt are sometimes neither too Auerbach, Moss Hart and Arnold Horwitt, are sometimes neither too novel nor brilliant, but they have been excellently directed by Robert Gor-don and are played to look much bet-ter and brighter than they occasion-ally are. In addition, there are splen-did dance patterns contributed by

tials of circulation increases include tials of circulation increases include the amount of programing in an area, with the likelihood that as second and third stations enter cities with only one station now on the air, there will be greater impetus to purchase. The improved quality of programing as know-how develops also is a logical but difficult-to-measure factor.

ARI's next study on ownership and intention to purchase will be made in June. Future surveys will cover types and price levels of sets desired, reaction toward programs and nd acilities.

Helen Tamaris. With the material in the hands of such a combination of talent and with such funsters as Beatrice Lillie and Jack Haley in the lead slots, U. S. A. just can't miss. is for the Century as long as chooses to stay there. It if

As to what the inimitable Miss Lil-As to what the inimitable Miss Lil-lie can do with a song or a sketch, no comment is necessary. Let it be re-ported that she is in top hilarious form, whether she's a bemused direc-tor of a civic choral society; an in-spiration to Chopin, Liszt, Tschai-kowsky, et al.; a mermaid Lorelei from Massachusetts or a Mardi Gras from Massachusetts of a March Gras queen. She has the customers, as usual, in the aisles. Perhaps her best contribution, from this pew, is in a wryly satiric sketch by Moss Hart in which a superstitious maid drives a team to delivium on concing night star to delirium on an opening night. Her maid is a comedy gem.

Jack Haley's congenial clowning is Jack Haley's congenial clowning is a happy offset for the Lillie brand of fun. Haley, too, is at his best. On his own, he makes a sketch about a tired tourist in a Florida hotel room, devilishly gadgeted for sleep induc-tion, that is vastly funny, and also contribs another amusing interlude as a professor teaching student waiters how to make quetomore miserable a professor teaching student waters how to make customers miserable. Teamed with Miss Lillie, he chants the show's top comedy number as an Indian who won't take the country back in its present demented state. Both of them are better than right in ell cherer. all chores.

all chores. Dancewise U. S. A. leaves nothing to be desired. There are plenty of stepping interludes to balance the sketches. Tops is a beautifully de-vised ballet, *Tiger Lily*, in which a Stem newcomer, Valerie Bettis, proves she is something of a dance director's dream, and Eric Victor falls into the same category. Both score handsomely in other numbers score handsomely in other numbers and the ensemble is excellent thruout, John Tyers unveils a fine baritone

John Tyers unveils a fine baritone for the chanting of the Schwartz tunes and gives *Haunted Heart*, one of the more evident hit possibilities, a solid production. Estelle Loring al-so acquits herself creditably in the short department in two other likely chant department in two other numbers, with Haley in *Rhode Is Famous for You*, and later Tyers in *My Gal Is Mine Once*

U. S. A. has evidently been] U. S. A. has evidently been f sionally pruned and trimmed o road break-in. It arrives su tively integrated in all depart Perhaps without a Lillie and a it might be just another han revue. But it has 'em, and it' all the way thru. Bob Fra

MONTREAL, May 1. — Strong possibility for Montreal's becoming a new market for Jewish-English vaude performers is evidenced by the success of an experiment in which the success of a children plus the combo of a Yiddish flicker plus three acts of J-E vaudeville has been

three acts of J-E vaudeville has been packing one of the film houses. According to agent Roy Cooper, who books this house and who has for years had close contact with Yid-dish performers, success of the ex-periment points up the revived in-terest in Yiddish films and vaudeville. The house now being used by a

The house now being used by a private group (never before identified with show business) is the Mount Royal Theater, in the heart of the Yiddish district in the north end of the city. It is owned by the United the city. It is owned by the United Theaters chain but is rented out at \$3,000 weekly. Actually, the house is being used for foreign films gen-erally, but the combo of vaude plus a Jewish flicker has been so strong box-office-wise that the ops intend to resume the policy in the fall. The

to resume the policy in the fall. The house will shutter in June because it has no air conditioning. Prices are 75 cents matinee and \$1 evenings, and they are paying off. It has been an up-and-down story for Jewish performers in Montreal. A couple of years ago, there was a mushrooming of Jewish niteries with strictly Yiddish entertainment, but high talent cost (performers like Jen-nie Goldstein, Aaron Lebedeff and Leo Fuchs were getting \$1,000 weekly) made most of the ops toss in the towel. Currently there's only one Jewish nitery, using low cost talent. talent.

No Sunday Akron Dancing

AKRON, May 1.—There will be no public Sunday dancing in Akron. The city council, deluged by a flood of letters from church people, changed its tune last week and voted 12 to 1 against the move. Earlier the public welfare committee of the council had recommended the ban on Sunday dancing be lifted. Then the churches put on the pressure and that stopped the reform.

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FOLK AND WESTERN

FIRST PLACE, WTMJ, MILWAUKEE, FOR "THIS IS AMERICA" Walter J. Damm, Gen. Mgr.; E. J. Robertson, Prog. Dir.
 SECOND PLACE, KEX, PORTLAND, ORE., FOR "THE NORTHWESTERNERS" C. S. Young, Sta. Mgr.; Melvin Bailey, Prog. Dir.

250 to 1,000 Watts CLASSICAL AND SEMI-CLASSICAL

FIRST PLACE, KSD, ST. LOUIS, FOR "ECHOES OF MUNICIPAL OPERA" George M. Burbach, Gen. Mgr.

SECOND PLACE, **KXOL**, FT. WORTH, FOR "PIANORAMA" Russ N. Lamb, Gen., Com'l. and Prom. Mgr.; Bill Herring, Prog. Dir. SPECIAL AWARD (NON-COMMERCIAL STATION), **WNYC**, NEW YORK, FOR "MUSIC FOR THE CONNOISSEUR" Seymour N. Siegel, Gen. Mgr.

HONORABLE MENTION, WCH, NEWPORT NEWS, VA., FOR "KATHRYN

DISK JOCKEY

FIRST PLACE, KLAC, LOS ANGELES, FOR "570 CLUB" Don J. Federson, Gen. Mgr.; Fred Henry, Prog. Dir. SECOND PLACE, WSAM, SAGINAW, MICH., FOR "GRANDPAPPY AND HIS GRAMMYPHONE" Milton L. Greenebaum, Pres. and Gen. Mgr.; William J. Lofback, Prog. Dir. FOLK AND WESTERN

FIRST PLACE, **KECK**, ODESSA, TEX., FOR "CECIL BROWER'S WESTERN BAND" Jan King, Gen. Mgr.: Bill Chambers, Prog. Dir.

SECOND PLACE, **KPQ**, WENATCHEE, WASH., FOR "WESTERN MELODIES" James W. Wallace, V.-P. and Gen. Mgr.; Bill Green, Prog. Dir. THIRD PLACE, **CKEY**, TORONTO, FOR "HAYLOFT HO-DOWN" H. E. Cooke, Gen. Mgr.; Don Insley, Prog. Dir.

CHURCH, DEVOTIONAL AND SPIRITUAL

FIRST PLACE, **WTCN**, MINNEAPOLIS, FOR "CHURCH MUSIC APPRECIA-TION HOUR"

F. Van Konynenburg, Gen. Mgr.: Judy Bryson. Prog. Dir. SECOND PLACE, **WCKV**, CHARLESTON, W. VA., FOR "EXCELLA JUBILEE SINGERS"

THIRD PLACE, WMBM, MIAMI BEACH, FOR ''HARMONY FOUR'' Third PLACE, WMBM, MIAMI BEACH, FOR ''HARMONY FOUR'' Thomas O. McCullough, Pres., Gen. and Com'l. Mgr.; Calvert A. Carter, Prog. Dir.

Program Competition

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FOUR IN 50-KW. PUBSERV TIE

WCBS,WNBC, **WBBM, WCAU** In Dead Heat

All Programs Are Tops

NEW YORK, May 1.—The public service programs entered in the 50,000-watt power category of *The Billboard's* Local Program Competi-tion, collectively call attention to a milestone in radio, to wit: they offer proof that the industry's most powerful outlets—those which command a great slice of the total listening audi--devote their greatest imaginaencetive efforts and talent to the civic and social requirements of their com-munities. In other words, radio, criticized for its lack of conscience, herewith demonstrates that it has one and takes it seriously.

So seriously does it take it, in fact, that the competition in this power classification poses almost insuperable obstacles to judges. Many of the en-tries are top-flight in program con-ception and execution. This has ne-cessitated naming four stations in a tie for first place—each of these outlets having programs of a caliber the judges felt could not be shunted to a lesser level. A similar condition exists in the race for second and third positions, where two programs in each



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KLZ. Denver

slot had to be named.

First place winners are WCBS, New York, for its masterly and courageous CBS Views the Press, a show which, CBS Views the Press, a show which, for a switch, turns the spotlight on the metropolitan dailies and their foibles in the treatment of news; WNBC, National Broadcasting Com-pany (NBC) flagship in New York, for its hard-hitting, superbly pro-duced documentary, Housing-1947, an exhaustive examination of the exhaustive examination of the an (See Four in 50-kw. on page 19)

Program Competition

250-1,000 Watter Pubservs **Show Grass-Roots Awareness**

NEW YORK, May 1.—Low-wattage stations around the country are increasingly integrating their programing with the needs and aspirations of the communities they serve. This is evident from the programs submitted in the public service category by stations in the 250-to-1,000-watt class, and is a conclusion drawn logically not only from the winning programs but

NEW YORK, May 1 .--- Hugh Terry, general manager of KLZ. Denver, "George Washingtoned" himself smack out of an award in the Local Program Competition. KLZ's show, The Editor Speaks, had been reviewed in The Billboard and thus was automatically entered in the competition. The judging finally awarded it a The judging finally awarded it a second-place laurel for public service and Terry was notified by telegram accordingly, Thursday (29). The next day Terry wired us that Editor has been speaking on KLZ for seven years, which automatically disquali-fied it, since only shows started on or after January 1, 1947, were eligible. Which proves that either Terry started the program too soon or we started the competition too late.

is a conclusion drawn logically not only from the winning programs but from the mass of programs which, while not quite as good as the winners, nevertheless mirrored the civic-minded outlook of their producers. Winner in this low-watt category was WINX, Washington, with a program titled Is Congress Doing Its Job?, an in-quiry into the functioning of the country's lawmaking branch. Second went to KWWL, Waterloo, Ia., for School of the Air, a program broad-cast daily from schools by the pupils (Sca 250-1000 Watter on page 19) (See 250-1,000 Watter on page 19)

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A MONG the public service programs entered in the program competition were a number which received neither awards nor honorable men-tions—but which nevertheless are worthy of recognition. Here

are some of them: **IN OUR TOWN**, WMAQ, Chi-cago: A tight little program wherein Cloyd Head tells in-teresting things about Chicago. Program entry was a trip to the Chi Board of Trade, with Head giving a fascinating account of the trading operations, the his-tory of the board, its make-up,

ening account of science's prog-

is also a clever promotional de-vice, inasmuch as all references are to CBS programs and talent

MONROE COUNTY Medical Society, over WHAM, Roches-ter, N. Y.: Presenting data on

ter, N. Y.: Presenting data on research developments in medi-cine; facilities for treatment of different diseases. Clear, non-technical and ably presented. **LIGHTHOUSE**, WBNS, Co-lumbus: Done in co-operation with the Columbus Urban League, a Red Feather agency, "Lighthouse" stresses the values of inter-racial amity and democracy.

values of inter-racial amity and democracy. **PULSE** of a nation series, WJBK, Detroit: Presented by Wayne University students in co-operation with the Automo-tive Manufacturers' Associa-tion, this series re-enacts social and economic changes in Amer-ica since the introduction of the automobile.

ica since the introduction of the automobile. **OPINION UNLIMITED**, WKMH, Dearborn, Mich.: A roundtable discussion on race relations, participated in by clergymen and laymen, with examples of methods used to improve race relations improve race relations.

Program Competition⁺

WNEW Top 5-20-Kw. Pubserver Ace Execution Program Competition **Of Social Idea Cops Accolade**

Many Have Fine Inspiration

By Paul Ackerman

NEW YORK. May 1.-The 5,000 to 20,000-watt division of the public service category of *The Billboard's* Local Program Competition was bit-Local Program Competition was bit-terly contested—the entries being noteworthy on two counts: Program conception and execution. It goes without saying that the basic qualifi-cation for an award was the station's awareness of its responsibility in a civic, and social sense. Many of the programs were practically on a par in the matter of public service aware-ness, and in these cases, the decision went to the station which displayed production know-how — in other words, the station which could best execute its good intentions.

Thus. WNEW, New York indie, was given first prize, an all-over award (See WNEW Top on page 19)

3 Win Honorable Mentions In 50-Kw. Pubserv Contest NEW YORK, May 1.—Among the 50,000-watters in the public service category, three stations were granted honorable mentions for programs which, in the opinion of the judges, deserved kudos even tho they were edged

which, in the opinion of the judges, deserved kudos even tho they were edged out of the winners' ranks. The mentions went to WCKY, Cincinnati, for *The Fountain Speaks*; to WOR, New York, for *Name Your Poison*, and to WINS, New York, for *One-Tenth of a Nation*. Fountain is a good example of a sponsored public service program. Bankrolled by the J. & F. Schroth Packing Company, a meat packing org, this show dramatizes incidents in the city's past, such as *The Great Ice Gorge of 1918*, etc. Technique in-volves the recreation of the atmos-phere of the time—the political, social and entertainment scene—a sort of cavalcade of bygone days in Cincin-nati, all designed to promote civic consciousness and pride.

wOR's Name Your Poison is a documentary casting light on the subject of sanitation in the handling of food, a subject which has made headlines in local newspapers for

headlines in local newspapers for several years. WIN's One-Tenth of a Nation, an all-Negro forum, gives voice to the aspirations of a minority group. The series discussed the subject of shop-ping conditions along 125th Street in Harlem, the role of the Negro in baseball, etc.

Tops Canadians

NEW YORK, May 1.—The Cana-dian station which showed to best advantage in The Billboard's Local Program Competition was CKEY, Toronto, which scored with three programs. Two of these, Focus on '48 and How to be a Statistic, Too! won third place in the 250-1,000-watt power category, public service divi-(See CKEY's 3 Winners on page 19)

etc. **CONQUEST,** KFI, Los An-geles: Dramatizing the fight against disease. Produced in co-operation with health au-thorities and containing a heart-

ress. SO YOU KNOW RADIO, KNX, Los Angeles: A clever quiz program enlightening lis-teners about broadcasting. It

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Art Smith's Guitar Wins for WBT in 50-Kw. Folk Music

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NEW YORK, May 1.—One of the brightest talents to come to light in *The Billboard's* First Local Program Competition was Arthur Smith, guitar Competition was Arthur Smith, guitar player extraordinary, whose efforts won first prize in the 50,000-Watt Stations, Folk and Western music category for WBT, Charlotte, N. C. Smith, who plays a hot guitar which all but warps the transcriptions, was (See Art Smith's Guitar on page 15)

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RESPONSE to The Billboard's **n** first local program competi-tion was so overwhelming that many outstanding entries, splendid examples of local music pro-graming, failed to come off with an award. Nevertheless, some of these are deserving of particular commendation, and to the fol-lowing stations *The Billboard* doffs its beat-up chapeau. **KOIN. PORTLAND. ORE..** for "Over the Rainbow," a live music show with an unusual story thread tieing the num-bers together. **WSB. ATLANTA.** for "Music To Remember," in which pian-ist-organist Bob Van Camp, with the aid of two vocalists, presents a pleasant pop airer. an award. Nevertheless, some of

with the aid of two vocalists, presents a pleasant pop airer. WHO, DES MOINES, for "Hawkeye Matinee," with a 14-piece staff ork and a choral group with seven members who switch off on vocal solos. WDBJ, ROANOKE, VA.. for "Irving Sharp Entertains," fea-turing a guy with a real person-ality who uses a folksy line of patter to set off his novelty singing. WEAN, PROVIDENCE, R. I.,

wEAN, PROVIDENCE, R. I., for "Footlight Showcase," which dresses up records of a Broadway musical show with comments on the action, sets

comments on the action, sets and dialog. WFIL, PHILADELPHIA, for "Melodies To Remember," wherein a chorus of 25 teenage girls and an organist run thru 15 minutes of smooth music. WDRC, HARTFORD, CONN., for "Flenn's Good Evening," which gears a combination of song and talk around the theme of Americanism.

of Americanism.

WKY, OKLAHOMA CITY, for "Show of Promise," an airer of pop tunes which avoids those numbers being played to death

by most live and disk stanzas. WSAM, SAGINAW, MICH., for "Kampus Karnival," an un-usual disk jockey opus, with the platter spinner narrating in comic accept not unlike Morticomic accent not unlike Morti-Snerd's mer

mer Snerd's. WGPA, BETHLEHEM, PA., for "Jazz Concert," a disk jockey show spotlighting plat-ters from the 5,000 old and rare waxers in jockey Carl Kend-riorr's collection ziore's collection.

WBEC, PITTSFIELD, MASS., for "Imagination Hall, a full-hour show of classical records done in concert hall style, with recorded applause, fine pro-gram notes and distinctive selection of music.

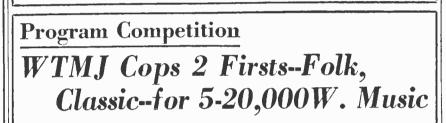
Editorial-Whatever Happened to FM?

In this, the first of *The Billboard's* local program competitions, no awards are being made either in music or public service programing to any FM station. The reasons are that the entries received were far too few to provide either any element of competition or any indication as to the sort of programing being performed in these two fields.

performed in these two fields. We think this is pretty indicative. It may be partly indicative of a degree of poverty in the FM field, poverty which precludes transcribing shows now on the air, for such a competition. But it certainly is indicative that FM operators blow a chance to focus

certainly is indicative that FM operators blow a chance to focus attention on their stations. It's all the more important because a lot of FM owners blow gaskets whenever "standard" radio is mentioned, some even presenting continual beefs that they're the victims of conspiracy. They hail FM as being truly the "people's radio," ideally suited to accord a high level of public servicing programing, yet, given an opportunity to display their wares thru a program competition to all of broadcasting and all of advertising, there's barely a spark of action—certainly not enough spark to generate any interference with "moribund" AM. The Frequency Modulation Association is meeting this week in

The Frequency Modulation Association is meeting this week in Washington. They've really something to talk about.



By Sam Chase

NEW YORK, May 1.-WTMJ, Milwaukee, walked off with two first prize awards in the 5,000 to 20,000-watt music categories in The Billboard's prize awards in the 5,000 to 20,000-watt music categories in *The Bittoburu's* First Local Program Competition. In the classical and semi-classical di-vision, *The Milwaukee Journal* outlet scored with a live sponsored show titled *Encore Echoes*, which features an excellent orchestra and sterling vocalists, together with a musical flashback into local history. The other blue ribbon taken by WTMJ was in the folk and Western music division, for its This Is America, an airer using folk music to illustrate the folk ways of American living, from farm to factory life.

factory life. Runner-up in the classical and semi-classical music division was WQXR, New York, for its WQXR String Quartet, an outfit which broadcast the world premier of re-cently discovered music penned by Rachmaninoff. Third prize winner was CFRB, Toronto, for Wishart Campbell Presents, a splendid ex-ample of how a string orchestra, male and female vocalists and a male quartet can render the semi-classics tunefully and tastefully. in which a string group capably per-forms semi-classics. KEX, Portland, Ore., gained second award in the folk-Western field for The Northwesterners, a gang which turns out Western music with a de-cidedly modern twist. The same outfit also is featured on another KEX show, 'Neath Western Skies. Among other musical shows to at-tract attention, WQXR was repre-sented with Much Ado About Music,

broadcast the world premier of re-cently discovered music penned by Rachmaninoff. Third prize winner was CFRB, Toronto, for Wishart Campbell Presents, a splendid ex-ample of how a string orchestra, male and female vocalists and a male quartet can render the semi-classics tunefully and tastefully. Honorable Mentions For KUOM, Minneapolis, for its behind-the-scenes airing of Minneapolis, for its behind-to KOMO, Seattle, for Tone Portraits, and live plano music in a laudable show which familiarizes to KOMO, Seattle, for Tone Portraits, and the Voltan Monther and female vocalists and a male quartet can render the semi-classics tunefully and tastefully. Honorable Mentions for KUOM, Minneapolis, for its behind-to KOMO, Seattle, for Tone Portraits, and to the Work of the voltant to KOMO, Seattle, for Tone Portraits, and the voltant is the toth westerners, a gang which turns out Western music with a de-cidedly modern twist. The same outfit also is featured on another KEX show, 'Neath Western Skies. Among other musical shows to at-tract attention, WQXR was repre-sented with Much Ado About Music, a quiz show in which contestants identified melodies, performers and characters in operas and operettas. Make Friends With Music, aired by WTAG, Worcester, Mass., utilized records and live piano music in a laudable show which familiarizes

RADIO PROGRAM TOPPERS **890** Entries In 1st Annual Competition

First Results Available

(Continued from page 3) this issue, but the response by stations thruout the United States and Canada was so enormous that to review all of them by the originally set deadline was a physical impossibility. Consequently, pubserv and music programs are announced herewith. Three weeks hence, and fortnightly thereafter, winner in other categories will be announced. It was a question of either faking the enormous reviewing job, or pacing the announcements, as we are doing.

Stations Eager

If one fact is made glaringly clear by this competition, it is that stations are crying for, and deserve, recognition for their programing ef-forts. The thought, ingenuity, labor and community service reflected in operating "in the public convenience and necessity" shine thru the reports on public service programing, listed elsewhere in the Radio Department this week.

this week. The winners come from all corners of the country, from Washington and Boston, from Minneapolis and Okla-homa City, from New York and Seat-tle, from Waterloo, I.a., and Columbus, O.; from Hempstead, L. I.; Charlotte, N. C.; Toronto, Dayton, O.; Milwau-kee; Bethlehem, Pa.; Saginaw, Mich.; and Wenatchee, Wash. They cover every conceivable phase of public service offering, and every possible type of musical programing. **890 Entries**

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890 Entries 890 Entries The judging was an enormous task, made more so by our original and somewhat timorous estimate of 200 or 300 program entries. Instead, there were a total of 890 in all cate-gories, with 160 in pubserv and 133 in music. The average program was a half hour, altho many ran to an hour. It was tough on our play-backs, and tougher on our reviewers. For the benefit of all concerned, the winners selected so far will be on display, with playback equipment, at The Billboard's suite at the Na-tional Association of Broadcasters (NAB) convention this month in the Hotel Biltnore, Los Angeles. An "idea digest," capsulizing all pro-grams entered, will be published in our May 22 issue, the NAB conven-tion special. These digests will be published subsequently on every pro-gram category in the competition. And when all winners are in, they will be displayed at an open house, to be held in The Billboard's New York

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Yardstick

NEW YORK, May 1. -- Because some stations operate with varying powers, daytime and nighttime, the final yardstick used to determine into which power category stations should fall, was the nighttime power. Thus, KSD, St. Louis, which operates with 5,000 watts power to local sunset and 1,000 watts thereafter, was regarded for the competition as a 1,000-watter.

Program Competition KSD Tops 250-1,000W. Classical Music; KLAC, Pop; KECK, Folk

NEW YORK, May 1 .-- Originality and high production quality of small watt stations in classical and semi-classical programing were the outstanding watt stations in classical and semi-classical programing were the outstanding features in the 250 to 1,000-watt stations' music program catergories in *The Billboard's* First Annual Local Program Competition. An emphasis on disk jockeys for popular music programing also was obvious, with heavy entries on the waxworks gabbers and a sparsity of other popular music shows. Considerable local programing of folk or Western type shows and of church, devotional or spiritual music also was underlinéd. First among the classical and semi-cassical musicals was the KSD, St. Louis, production of *Echoes* of *Municipal Opera*. Considerable lo-cal appeal was inherent in this re-

in St. Louis. Another brightly han-dled recorded show with outstanding live commentary was *Pianorama*, heard over KXOL, Fort Worth, which corded program, which features col-orful commentary about music from the operas and operettas done in past seasons by the noted operatic troupe took down second honors for the (See KLAC Jock Wins on page 10)

Reviews of Winning Programs in Billboard's

PUBLIC SERVICE 50.000 Watts

Report Uncensored First Place-WBBM, Chicago

Producer-Director-Writer: Ben Parks Narrator: Flahey Flynn Musical Director: Frank Smith

Announcer: Tony Parrish

This famed series, which did a smash job on the subject of juvenile

delinquency, turned its attention to housing in the program submitted for this competition. Using a com-bination of narration, tape-recorded interviews and dramatizations, the program impressed as powerful documentary broadcasting. Chicagoans were given an all-over picture of the complex problem. Among the pithy sequences were those detailing the misery of families living under an assortment of shocking conditions.

Career Forum First Place—WCAU, Philadelphia Producer: Ruth Weir Miller Executive Director: Robert N. Pryor Writer: Ruth Weir Miller Moderator: Norris West

This series is designed to guide high school boys and girls in choosing a career. Each session presents an outstanding man or woman who an outstanding man or woman who talks about opportunities in his or her specific line of endeavor. Dis-cussion follows, with students asking questions. WCAU gets top-ranking people for the series, including such names as Gertrude Lawrence head-ing up a theater discussion; Revelle W. Brown, president of Reading Rail-proad: Arthur Kaufman executive road: Arthur Kaufman, executive head of Gimbel's: Leon Henderson, economist, and others. Truly an ably presented public service feature.

Cavalcade of American Politics First Place—WCAU, Philadelphia Producer: John Charest Writers: John Charest, Joseph Connolly

This interesting program, which This interesting program, which traces the heritage of American pol-itics. is particularly timely inasmuch as the Democratic and Republican conventions will be held in Philadel-phia this year. The series reviewed portrayed the events leading to the formation of the Continental Con-gress and the evils of the Federalist (Continued on page 14)

PUBLIC SERVICE 5,000 to 20,000 Watts

Little Songs About Big Subjects First Place—WNEW, New Ycrk

Produced by Ted Cott Words and Music by Hy Zaret and Lou Singer

Talent: Roy Ross and Orchestra; the Jesters Distributed by Institute for Democratic

Education

Just one year ago this month WNEW introduced its Little Songs. one to three-minute jingles designed to further the cause of tolerance and to further the cause of tolerance and to fight racial prejudice. It offered a new approach to public service messages, fashioning its appeal on a straight commercial angle. The jingles have been enormously success-ful in the intervening year baying ful in the intervening year, having been aired thousands of times on hundreds of stations—many of them in Jim Crow territory. The stations were furnished the records free by the Institute for Democratic Education.

The Editors Speak Second Place—WKY, Oklahoma City

Producer: Joe Myers Writer: Bruce Palmer Cast: Bob Olson, Joe Myers, Jimmy Byrnes, Bill Burkett, Harry Harber, Bruce Palmer

Music: Ken Wright

A digest of editorial opinion, culled

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by news chief Bruce Palmer, this program casts great credit on the WKY news room. This is news handling with a touch of production, adding up to very informative listen-ing. The editorial opinions expressed cover a wide range in the national and international arenas, and the in-terpretations are keen. Each program features a guest editor.

Creed, Color and Co-Operation Second Place—WKY, Oklahoma City

Producer: Hoyt Andres Writers: Kenneth Johnson, Hoyt An-

dres Cast: Kenneth Johnson, Roy Kerns

(guests) Music: Bobby Howard

This is a dignified program in which Kenneth Johnson tells what is being done in Southern communities to improve race relations. For instance, in Savannah, Ga., the appointment of Negroes as policemen reduced juvenile delinquency and gave the Negroes a lift by entrusting them with an important civic task. Guest speakers also are on the series. The point stressed by the program is that good will are entrusted with the guidance of a community.

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PUBLIC SERVICE 250 to 1,000 Watts

Is Congress Doing the Job? First Place—WINX, Washington

Program Director: George Creamer Producer-Writer-Interviewer: Ed Hart Cast: Ed Hart

Cast: Ed Hart This program highlights the activi-ties of the legislative branch of the federal government. Put together by Ed Hart, the series brings to Wash-ington listeners a lively discussion of the maneuvering on Capitol Hill. One of the programs in the series, for in-stance, was a question-and-answer session between Hart and Dr. Edward U. Condon, director of the Bureau of Standards, apropos charges leveled against him by the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Condon on Un-American Activities. Condon was given the opportunity to rebut charges that he represented a "weak link" in U. S. atomic security. Aside from the question of innocence or guilt, the importance of the program is obvious. It represents an exercise in democracy and it keeps listeners informed of what the lawmakers are doing. Hart also did splendid pro-grams on the Howard Hughes hearings.

School of the Air Second Place-KWWL, Waterloo, Ia.

Program Director: Gene P. Loffler Sponsor: Iowa Public Service Company

Agency: Weston Barnett Producer: Dick Nehlsen

Cast: Waterloo School Students

School of the Air may lack pro-duction finesse, but it is nevertheless a fine community program. Broad-cast daily from school rooms, it draws attention to educational and youth problems. Youngsters of school age do the broadcasting—a student an-pounce student newspace school nouncer, student newscaster, school band, et al. It is obvious that this type of show would be a pushover to catch the ears of adults at home, who would be partial to the voices of their youngsters no matter how lacking they might be in voice technique. All schools in the station's area participate, including grade, junior and senior high and Catholic schools. Saturday broadcasts are devoted to out-of-town schools, many of which Civic organizations, too. use the pro-(Continued on page 14)

from Oklahoma dailies and weekies MUSIC, CLASSICAL AND SEMI-CLASSICAL 50,000 Watts

Contemporary Music First Place—WOR, New York Executive Producer: James Sheldon Producer: Frank McCarthy Writer: Keith Thompson

Cast: Sylvan Levin and orchestra

This is an unusual program series in which WOR Music Director Sylvan Levin conducts the house orchestra in classical works by composers of today. Each program is dedicated to a different composer or school of composers. Represented on the show composers. Represented on the show submitted were works of three news-paper music critics: Arthur Berger, of The New York Herald-Tribune; Mark Schubart, of The New York Times, and Carter Harmon, also of The Times. Works were varied and interesting and performed with au-thority. Other shows on the series have spotlighted works of Shosta-kovich, Douglas Moore, David Dia-mond, Charles Edward Ives, and Anerican women composers, among American women composers, among others. This is a program which is certain to encourage latter-day creative talent.

Let's Listen to the Classics Second Place—WCCO, Minneapolis Promotion Manager: Carl L. Ward Producer: Jerry Nelson Writer-Announcer: Ed Viehman

Here is a refreshing way of pre-senting a recorded classical music program. Disk jockey Ed Viehman uses the modern idiom in spinning longhair disks, without becoming brash or smart-alecky. Viehman stays within the bounds of good taste, yet has a marked appeal for the younger set in bic chatter about disks younger set in his chatter about disks, compositions and composers. The program notes explain the meaning of the works in everyday terminology, certainly an original approach.

The House That Music Built Third Place—WENR, Chicago

Sales Promotion Manager: Karl R. Sutphin

Sponsor: Lyon & Healy (Direct) Producer: Hunter Reynolds

Writer: Bill Adams

Announcer: Jack Lester Music: Rex Mauphin and orchestra, George Barnes's instrumental octet; Bill Moss, pianist; Marie Ferguson, organist; Russ Crandall, harpist.

organist; Russ Crandall, harpist. Quality and good taste are repre-sented on this live show without a lapse into the stodgy or abtruse. Music, continuity and sales messages are of the foremost quality, and range from classics by Handel and Mozart to lighter semi-classics by Arensky and Victor Herbert. A large and talented cast is involved in the smoothly flowing production, featur-ing an 18-piece orchestra, and instrumental octet and solos by a pianist, organist and harpist.

MUSIC, POPULAR 50,000 Watts

A Mood in Music First Place-WHN, New York Program Director: Raymond Katz

Producer: Raymond Katz Director: Milton D. Kaye Cast: Joel Herron (Pianist) and Or-

chestra

Few local stations can boast a Few local stations can boast a batoneer and station ork of the qual-ity and versatility of Joel Herron and the WHN tootlers. Herron and his men, aired across the board at an early evening time, match and sur-pass many a network show's ensem-ble. Tunes played are mainly stand-ards, but are turned into outstanding productions as a result of Herron's sensitive planistics, featured in each. sensitive pianistics, featured in each, with smooth strings and muted brass

blended warmly behind him. The title of the program expresses well the feeling of the show, with more emphasis placed upon mood and arrangement than upon spark and drive.

Make Way for Youth Second Place—WJR, Detroit Educational Director: Mark L, Hass Producer: Eric Howlett

Writer: Jane Morris Orchestral Conductor: Paul Lavoie

Vocal Director: Don Large

Choral work on this airer, which features teen-age youth from Detroit high schools, is outstanding and may be compared with the best of pro-fessional choruses for arrangements, delivery and enunciation. The orchestra is quite capable, and soloists are of excellent quality. WJR is to be especially commended for the concept of this show, intended originally as part of an anti-delinquency drive. From mere good intentions, a program of real stature was set up which has acquired considerable lo-cal note as well as drawn the cream of local teen-age talent into the oper-ation with great enthusiasm. It was originally a local show, but now network.

Art Van Damme Quintet Third Place—WMAQ, Chicago Promotion Manager: Harold A. Smith Producers: Bert Whaley, Dolph Nelson

Writer: Bob Carmen Cast: Art Van Damme, Chuch Calzar-etta, Max Mariash, Lou Skalinder, Claude Scheiner, Lucio Garcia Announcer: Kleve Kirby

This is a noontime pop music show aired three times weekly and makes for excellent, tho rather expensive, daytime programing. Announcer Kleve Kirby reads wry scripts penned by Bob Carmen which are reminiscent of those used on the late Lower Basin Street show of fond memory. These sometimes profess Lower Basin Street show of fond memory. These sometimes profess to tell the story of an "opera" from which the ensemble is supposed to play tunes, which, of course, turn out to be standard favorites. Their music is out of the top drawer, but the script bogs down at times trying to be worthy of it. Latin tenor Lucio Garcia tries hard to help

to help.

Manor House Party

Third Place—WMAQ, Chicago Sponsor: W. F. McLaughlin Agency: Sherman Marquette, Inc.

Producer: Parker Gibbs Writer: Bob Carmen

Announcer: Bill Evans Cast: Skip Farrell, Fred Aune, Bob Acri, Earle Backus, Ed Gilbert

Blending of a fine small jazz en-semble and the baritone warbling of Skip Farrell make this show a neat live music package. It's a well-rounded show, with the music ca-pable of sustaining full interest. The program is aired across the board, and contains a letter-writing contest by the sponsor in which listeners ask Farrell to sing a fave number and tell why they want their songs rendered.

MUSIC, FOLK AND WESTERN 50,000 Watts

Arthur Smith Quartet First Place—WBT, Charlotte, N. C. Sponsor: Wonder Rice Producer: Kenneth Tredwell

Writer: Dorothy Janssen Cast: Arthur, Sonny and Ralph Smith; Roy Lear

Announcer: Dave Campbell

The head man of this musical group, Arthur Smith, is a whiz on the guitar and as a composer for string instruments. On the airer submitted, he did a solo turn on *Guitar Boogie*, which he composed (Continued on page 15) (Continued on page 15)

RADIO (LOCAL PROGRAM COMPETITION)

First Annual Local Program Competition

MUSIC. CLASSICAL AND SEMI-CLASSICAL 5,000 to 20,000 Watts

Encore Echoes First Place-WTMJ, Milwaukee

May 8, 1948

Producer-Writer: Marvin Lemkuhl Music Directors: John Anello, Irving Brykcznski

Splendid orchestral and vocal ren-ditions of well-known semi-classics. Clever touches include vocalizing on pop tunes swiped from the classics, pop tunes swiped from the classics, with follow-up playing of the original number. For Milwaukee's large foreign-born population, old world semi-classics and folk numbers are rendered appealingly. Another orig-inal touch is the inclusion of a mu-sical flashback into Wisconsin his-tory. On the show submitted, story concerned the Milwaukean who com-posed After the Ball Is Over, replete posed After the Ball Is Over, replete with place names and local incidents which would be highly entertaining to the home-town listeners.

WQXR String Quartette Second Place—WQXR, New York

Program Director: Mrs. Eleanor N.

Sanger Producer: Philip Stahl Writer: David Sherrill Cast: Harry Glickman, Hugo Fiorato, Jack Braunstein, Harvey Shapiro.

This show offers an exceptional This show otters an exception string quartette performing not only the usual program fare, but such the usual program fare, but such notable items as the world premiere of two recently discovered unfinished Rachmaninoff numbers. Capabilities of the performers are unquestionably high, and they and the station are doing an impressive job in making available performances of such works as the Rachmaninoff material.

Wishart Campbell Presents Third Place—CFRB, Toronto

Promotion Director: Ken Marsden Producer-Writer: Wishart Campbell Cast: String orchestra, male vocalist

guests

Take a talented string orchestra, add a solid male vocalist, toss in a chanteuse, mix with an unusually able to be a sprightly offering. That's what Canadian audiences are getting from CFRB, Toronto, in a show pre-sided over by emsee Wishart Camp-bell. Accent is on the semi-classics, with an occasional show tune to garnish the dish. Good live programing.

MUSIC, DISK JOCKEYS 5,000 to 20,000 Watts

Your Lonesome Gal First Place-WING, Dayton, O.

Producer-Writer-Announcer: Jeanne King

A smart idea done to a turn is this fem disk jockey show aired by WING, Dayton. The 30-minute program's platter-spinner is known to audiences only as Your Lonesome Gal, and her identity has been kept a deep mystery even to the point of having her wear a mask at public appearances. After listening to the show, you gather the reason for this is as much the protecreason for this is as much the protec-tion of the damsel as the promotion value of the gimmick. The gal, whose name is Jeanne King, addresses her remarks directly at the individual male listener, and her tender, wist-ful, romantic and frequently potent comments are apt to make the hair on the neck of said listener stand right up. The personal approach is utilized here with complete success, and undoubtedly draws masculine listeners to the airer by droves.

Canada Lee Show Second Place-WNEW, New York Producer-Director: Ted Cott

Writer: Jeff Selden Cast: Canada Lee, Phil Kraus (drums), Walter Yost (bass)

The station which, perhaps more than any other, is responsible for the coming of the disk jockey era, also has developed, in this, one of the also has developed, in this, one of the more unusual shows of the type. Its big advantage is in a clever produc-tion gimmick, a throbbing sort of a script and Lee's husky voice. There aren't many platter shows which leave any lasting impression, but this one does, even as an hour of tom-toms does. Lee uses a live rhythm combo behind his spiels, pitched in the same barrel-house tempo as the platter virtually all of which are of in a sort of second-person stream-ofconsciousness pattern, is intensely at-mospheric, junglewise. Lee, a success as a fighter, musician and actor, has found another forte.

MUSIC, FOLK AND WESTERN 5.000 to 20.000 Watts

This Is America First Place—WTMJ, Milwaukee Assistant Manager: Bruce Wallace

Producer: Frank Bignell Writer: Frank Hart

Narrator-Singer: Norman Clayton

In this weekly series, with each show built around a different phase of Americana, WTMJ scores solidly. Folk tunes are used to tell stories as far apart as the growth of the auto-mobile industry and the heritage of mobile industry and the heritage of folkways America has inherited from England. The latter was the theme of the show submitted, and it dis-closed, in song, items like develop-ment of mutual respect of husband and wife instruct of the old time male and wife instead of the old time male dominance practice, how respect for the law became accepted, new respect for amazing, but the WTMJ staff seems to have found a folk song to fit every idea or situation.

The Northwesterns

Second Place-KEX, Portland, Ore. Sponsor: Groves Laboratories

Agency: Duane Jones Co., Inc. Writer: Val Linder Announcer: Ben Hunter Cast: Roy Jackson and Band

A lively outfit with a lot of zest, Roy Jackson and His Little Band pro-duce a daily 15-minute show with a load of bounce and good humor which dashes along at breakneck speed. There's nothing hillbilly about the show this gang puts on. It's Western music with a decidedly modern twist, such as swingish backings to vocals such as swingtsn backings to vocals on traditional cowpoke ballads, with accordion and fiddle obligatos en-livening the proceedings. Good humored banter lends additional flavor, with a one-minute comic ad-venture strip also helping break up the musical portion of the show.

MUSIC, CLASSICAL AND SEMI-CLASSICAL 250 to 1.000 Watts

Echoes of the Municipal Opera First Place-KSD, St. Louis

General Manager: George M. Burbach

Sponsor: St. Louis Public Service Agency: Gardner Producer-Writer: Ernest W. Whitney Narrator: Frank Eschen Announcer: Carl McIntire

Here's something different in a musical show, which is assembled and broadcast in conjunction with a major community organization, the St. Louis Municipal Opera. The half-hour show consists of numbers from shows (Continued on page 15)

MUSIC, NON-COMMERCIAL-CLASSICAL 250 to 1,000 Watts

Music for the Connoisseur Special Award—WNYC, New York Producer - Writer - Narrator: David Randolph

For a record show featuring classi-cal music off the beaten path, this is David Randolph, who handles the it. commentary, points up the recordings with pertinent comments. His re-marks have bite and zing and Ranmarks have bite and zing and Ran-dolph is not afraid to take a position concerning a piece of music of the school from which it stems. Selec-tions are not the war horses com-monly aired, but more exotic offer-ings less likely to be listened to with a feeling of bored abstraction. Choice is in ton taste is in top taste.

MUSIC, DISK JOCKEYS 250 to 1,000 Watts

570 Club

First Place—KLAC, Los Angeles Producer-Announcer: Bob McLaughlin

Bob McLaughlin uses a clever and tricky succession of recorded in-terviews and comments by top disk names and tosses them into the show as tho the personalities involved actually were present in the studio. Some of these plugs are so spaced and worded that McLaughlin's comments, between them, take on the feeling of a mass interview and discussion with the stellar folk. Other jocks have tried similar gimmicks, but with con-siderably less imagination and elaborateness. It adds multitudes of name appeal and listenability and makes the stanza a standout.

Grandpappy and His Grammyphone Second Place—WSAM, Saginaw, Mich.

Program Director: Jack D. Parker

Producer-Writer-Announcer: Robert J. Liggett

A disk jockey show with a novel and amusing twist, not overdone altho it could easily have been worked to death. Platter spiner Robert J. Lig-gett, who writes and produces, does gett, who writes and produces, does his commentary with a corny hayseed accent that sounds exaggerated just enough to make it funny and effec-tive. The records used are mainly jazz in the old-time style. Liggett tive. The records used are mainly jazz in the old-time style. Liggett also has been able to inject some clever patter and phraseology to but-tress his vocal efforts.

MUSIC, FOLK AND WESTERN 250 to 1.000 Watts

Cecil Brower's Western Band First Place-KECK, Odessa, Tex. Program Director: Bill Chambers

Sponsor: Holsum Baking Company Producer-Writer: Tom Magowan Director: Bill Chambers Announcer: Johnny Vacca Cast: Cecil Brower and Band

A very lively and capable six-piece A very lively and capable six-piece ensemble is this band, which makes the kilocycles jump out West Texas way. They go far beyond the usual cowpoke melodies, taking on all sorts of tunes with a Western flavor and beating them out with a real swing. On top of this, the boys even pen their own melodies, and right good ones they are, too. At the head of the class for this type of combo.

Western Melodies

Second Place—KPQ, Wenaichee, Wash.

Program Manager: W. M. Green Sponsor: Whiteman Fuel Company Producer-Writer: Irving Smith

donym of Colonel Flapdoodle. While Smith might be regarded as a disk jockey, the program was classi-fied in the Western music division, fied in the Western music division, since that is the sole type of offering rendered, and listeners to the airer would be drawn by that factor. Smith's selections of platters is es-pecially commended. Not only are they of the open plains variety, but invariably they proved to be on the novelty side or with some humorous or unusual feature. Smith himself performs well, adopting a rustic de-livery, and, between records, tosses in gags which have tumbleweed in gags which have tumbleweed growing out of them.

Hayloft Ho-Down Third Place—CKEY, Toronto

Publicity Director: Harry Walton

Technical Director: Roy Little Cast: Frank Perri and band, O'Leary Sisters, Don MacFarlane, Pete the Prairie Boy, Freddy Waller, Tommy Penretti Renzetti

A wide-awake show turning out natty renditions of standard cowpoke ballads, plus a hefty collection of reels and calls—something apt to be widely desired among the Canadian listeners to this show. The hay seems to sprout right out of the speaker as Frank Perri and His Rambling Cow-boys wrestled the steers two falls out of three. Soloists all do capable jobs, of three. Soloists all do capable jobs, too, making this a nimble hour's entertainment.

MUSIC, CHURCH-DEVOTIONAL , AND SPIRITUAL 250 to 1,000 Watts

Church Music Appreciation Hour First Place—WTCN, Minneapolis

Production Manager: Max Karl Sponsor: St. Paul Dispatch-Pioneer Press

Producer-Writer: Grace Bremer

Even to the listener whose tastes do not run, ordinarily, toward sacred music, this show is a standout. It features choral work by church groups of exceptional quality for amateur singers, with organ backing. Broadcasts come direct from the respective churches. Not only are standard hymns on the programs, but also such more difficult numbers as ex-cerpts from Brahm's *Requiem*. The show, sponsored by a local daily newspaper, uses different church groups for each airing.

Excella Jubilee Singers Second Place-WGKV, Charleston, W. Va.

Program Director: C. P. Vogel Jr. Producer-Writer-Announcer: Stuart Ritchie

This would be a top group for a station of any size. The spiritual vocalizers utilize the a capella style, with the arrangements entirely their own. Tho they show to advantage on well-known spirituals, they are even more exciting to listen to on lesserknown numbers.

The Harmony Four Third Place—WMBM, Miami Beach, Fla.

Program Director: Calvert A. Carter Cast: Melvin Grace (narrator), Alex-ander Davis, Samuel Lowe, Floyd Edgecomb

A distinctive style combined with A distinctive style combined with real talent mark the efforts of this Negro quartet, which specializes in spirituals and other numbers of a religious or semi-religious nature. The show airs live with one of the four circure bondling bottome num Producer-Writer: Irving Smith This is a record show conducted by Irving Smith, who goes by the pseu- interesting blending of voices.

Program Competition No 50-Kw. Jockey Wins; Here's Why

The Billboard

NEW YORK, May 1.—There was no award in the disk jockey classification among the 50,000watt stations in *The Billboard's* First Local Program Competi-tion. The reason is that the most impressive entries all turned out to be ineligible, mainly because they had been airing prior to the January 1, 1947, date which the regulations set as the earliest starting date. Eliminated by this rule was such a standout show as Dave Garroway, of WMAQ, Chicago, whose literate, expressive and analytical chatter was buttressed by intelligent selections or disks. Another top-ranking platter turner who also was platter turner who also was taken out of the play by the time limitation was Kurt Webster, who conducts the *Midnight Dancing Party* over WBT, Char-lotte, N. C., and, as the "night mayor," rings in safe driving propaganda along with a good variety of records.

Among the eligible disk jock-eys rated highly by the judges but not sufficiently well to earn an award were three aired over WOR, New York: Jack Les-coulie, who uses a smooth, soothcoulie, who uses a smooth, sooth-ing delivery: Kate Smith, who chats with Ted Collins prior to introducing platters of her own making, and George Hogan, who utilizes a nostagic approach in his chatter, which prefaces use mainly of sentimental ballads.

Program Competition 6 Outlets Cop Multiple Awards; WTMJ, 5-20-Kw., Hits 2 Firsts

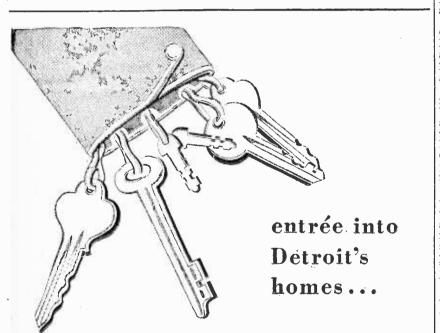
NEW YORK, May 1.—Six stations | lore of the nation, recounted via pro-competing in The Billboard's First | grams themed about various phases Local Program Competition came out as multiple winners, each grabbing laurels in both the music and public service program categories.

Of these, only one station, WTMJ, Walter Damm's Milwaukee operation, had the rare distinction of winning (5,000 to 20,000-watt categories), one for classical and semi-classical music, the other for folk music. The latter, however, is not the the hillbilly type of folk music; rather it is the musical

Winners' Scrolls

Stations winning in the first two categories of the First Local Pro-Competition, will be presented with their scrolls at the conclusion of the management session at the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) forthcoming convention. That closing date is Wednesday, May 19. Until that time, the scrolls will be on display at The Billboard's suite at L. A.'s Hotel Biltmore. Also on dis-play—with play-back facilities avail-able—will be transcriptions of the winning programs.

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of American life and industry WCCO, Minneapolis, copped itself

a public service third place and a second in music. It's a 50,000 watter. WOR, New York, with like strength, WOR, New York, with like strength, nabbed first in classical music and an honorable mention in pubserv. An-other New York outlet, indie WNEW, walked off with a first in public service, pegged on its widely praised and widely used tolerance jingles, as well as on several other programs. The same station also had a second in music, for its Canada Lee disk jockey stanza.

Toronto's CKEY garnered two third places, one in pubserv and one in music, while KLAC, Los Angeles, led the disk jockey parade in the 250 to 1,000-watt class and an honorable mention in pubserv.

KLAC JockWins; WSAM's Second

(Continued from page 7) sprightly program notes by a girl-boy team on classical piano records played. Ranking highest among the played. Ranking highest among the other entries were two live shows: *Kathryn Wood Sings*, aired by WGH, Norfolk, and *Harp Strings*, heard over WGPA, Bethlehem, Pa. The former is built around a coloratura, a violinist and a pianist who con-centrate on the semi-classics and classics, while *Harp Strings* has Betty Fry plucking the strings of a harp and also singing to her own accom-paniment, certainly an unusual pro-gram for a station of this size. A special first prize award for a

A special first prize award for a non-commercial station was made to non-commercial station was made to WNYC, New York City's municipal station, for its *Music for the Con-*noisseur, in which announcer David Randolph supplied an adult, critical commentary on the off-the-beaten-path classical music presented by recordings.

recordings. In the disk jockey category the winner was KLAC. Los Angeles, whose disk jockey Bob McLaughlin showed highly imaginative use of recorded interviews with top platter stars whose disks he spins. Second prize went to WSAM, Saginaw, Mich., for Robert J. Liggett's un-usual airer, Grandpappy and His Grammyphone, in which Liggett used a barefoot drawl in introducing old-time jazz records. KECK Odessa Tex. took first

old-time jazz records. KECK, Odessa, Tex., took first award in the Folk and Western music category for Cecil Brower's Western Band in which a six-piece string band did a top job on hayloft tunes. For its Western Melodies With Colonel Flapdoodle, KPQ, Wenat-chee, Wash., took second prize, with the stanza utilizing novel rustic rec-ords following humorous patter by ords following humorous patter by staffer Irving Smith. Third prize went north of the border, to CKEY, Toronto, for Hayloft Ho-Down, which showed that Canadians, too, know their way around a barn dance.

For its Church Music Appreciation For its Church Music Appreciation Hour, WTCN, Minneapolis, captured first prize for church, devotional or spiritual music, featuring exceptional local church choruses, tho program uses, besides standard hymns, more difficult classical numbers of a re-ligious nature. Two honorable men-tions went to WMBM, Miami Beach, Fla. for The Harmony Four and to WGKV, Charleston, S. C., for the Excella Jubilee Singers, spiritual-type groups. type groups.

Basic NBC Affiliate

Associate Television Station WWJ-TV

Program Competition **5-20 Outlets** Imaginative in **Music Shows**

Lonesome Gal WING Winner

NEW YORK, May 1.—The unor-thodox in disk jockey shows featured the heated music competition of 5,000 to 20,000-watt stations in The Billboard's First Annual Local Pro-gram Competition. As in the other power categories, the classical and semi-classical division also was con-tested closely, with some highly original entries. Sparsity of good popular music shows was the most glaring weakness of stations in this power bracket, however, with entries generally of uneven quality. On the Folk and Western music side an extraordinary conception for a show copped the top award. In toto, sta-tions of this wattage section showed perhaps the greatest initiative in experimenting with musical shows of a "different" nature. For example WINC Dayton O

experimenting with musical shows of a "different" nature. For example, WING, Dayton, O., entered a disk jockey airer known locally as Your Lonesome Gal. The program stars a gal jockey named Jeanne King, whose husky-voiced, intimate and endearing expressions, aimed directly at the individual male listener, earned the show a sizable audience. Second place among the disk shows went to Canada Lee of audience. Second place among the disk shows went to Canada Lee, of WNEW, New York, who used a live rhythm section behind his atmos-pheric comments. Third honors went pheric comments. Third honors went to Jose Alvarado, of KLOK, San Jose, Calif., for his Happy Neighbor show, which admonishes multi-racial listeners in the area with messages of friendship. Other platter spinners out of the usual groove included two from WQXR, New York: Jacques Fray on classical disks, and Emery Deutsch, with gypsy waxings. Adrian (Specs) Munzell, of WTMA, Charles-ton, S. C., was a prime example of the zany-type jockey.

Program Competition 50 - Kw. Longhairs Are High Quality; WOR Cops Crown

NEW YORK, May 1.—Classical and semi-classical music programs locally produced by 50,000-watt stations ap-parently are fewer in number than popular music shows, but generally seemed on higher imaginative and qualitative levels. This was one of the major observations growing out of *The Billboard's* First Local Pro-gram Competition. The champion among the giant-power stations in this realm was the Contemporary Music series of WOR, New York, which featured live presentation of current composers' works by a house orchestra under the baton of Sylvan Levin. This show specialized in such unusual programs as works of music NEW YORK, May 1.-Classical and unusual programs as works of music critics on local newspapers and delivered the works in first-class style. Second prize award went to WCCO,

Minneapolis, for its Let's Listen to the Classics record series, in which announcer Ed Viehman proved that the shorthair disk jockey technique can be applied successfully to the han-dling of classical music shows. The vernacular turned out to be as suitable for describing works of Beethoven as for those of Dizzy Gillespie. The third award was given to WENR, Chicago, for The House That Music Built, a commercial show which contained an admirable blend of classical and semi-classical music.

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Many Pass Up Institute

By Cy Wagner

By Cy Wagner COLUMBUS. O., May 3.—Com-mercial broadcasters are tired of the beating they have been taking from educators, educational broadcasters and civic and social welfare groups, and the commercial broadcasters are fighting back. That was the theme of the 18th Ohio State University Institute for Education by Radio. Commercial radio's fight with the educators took two forms at this perennial institute in the Deshler-Wallick Hotel here. April 30 thru May 3. First, in session after session, the few commercial broadcasters on hand made it clear that they were tired of being on the defensive, of hearing their industry taken to task every time they attended an Ohio State Institute, and that they were going to begin talking back. They pointed out that there are many good things about the industry. Nets, Stations Stay Away

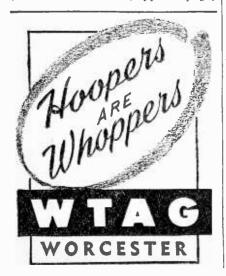
Nets, Stations Stay Away

Nets, Stations Stay Away Secondly, industry opposition to the Institute, and other groups like it, could be seen from the way in which only a few commercial broadcasters were on hand. Many who had at-tended in the past stayed away this year. Network attendance was cut at least 50 per cent in comparison to last year's. (See story in other column.)

column.) The station attendance was cut about 40 per cent, the networks by 50 per cent. Even Dr. I. Keith Tyler, head of the Institute and radio direc-tor for Ohio State University, ad-mitted that commercial attendance was off "about 20 per cent," but an analysis of registration showed his figure was low. Also significant was the fact that the National Asso-ciation of Broadcasters, which always was the fact that the National Asso-ciation of Broadcasters, which always has sent brass to the Institute, did not have one topnotcher on hand this year. Even Ed Kobak, president of **MBS** and practically an Institute fix-ture in the past, was not on hand this year this year.

Likes Pat on Back

All of that does not mean, how-ever, that the industry is going to ignore education or public service from now on. The fact that the m-dustry is interested in educational programing and likes to get rewards (See COM'L AIRERS, opposite page)



Broadcasters Play Hookey

COLUMBUS, O., May 3.—Another indication of the commercial broadcasters' fight against the educators of Ohio State University's Radio Institute was the notable lack of registration this year from that field. Based on actual comparisons of registrations of this year and last, the conclusion is that educators outnumbered industry by more than two to one.

than two to one. Following the commercials' lead (a late Saturday night count indicated about 75), other registrations also fell off, and total attend-ance figures will undoubtedly show a drop to about two-thirds of last year's final figure of 1,238. Based on a Saturday night (1) pre-closing total of 676, repre-sentatives of high school and college radio departments and college stations headed the class with a high score of 198 delegates. Passing urade went to educational service groups community correspondence

stations headed the class with a high score of 198 delegates. Passing grade went to educational service groups, community organizations and listener councils for an attendance of 111. Comparative tigures for these same groups at last year's session were 314 and 195 respectively. Local stations scored a tie with service groups for 121 students as compared with 172 last year. But the networks played hookey, sending a measely 10 as against 21 in 1947. Remainder of this year's class consisted of 146 agency reps, free lance writers and producers, and other interested persons not in education or public welfare and 44 unclassified welfare and 44 unclassified.

Pubserv Groups Can't Expect Same Deal From Tele as Radio

bility that telecasters and public service organizations might get into fu-ture hassels similar to those which marked the relationship between these organizations and radio years ago was seen here Friday at the only

ago was seen here Friday at the only Ohio State Institute session devoted to television. At that meeting Bill Wiseman, promotion manager of WOW, Omaha, which expects to start operation of a video station in a few months, made the suggestion that because video production costs are so high, public service orgs can't expect in television the same treatment they are getting in radio.

Wiseman; Martin Gosch, New York video producer, and others who took this position maintained that when a radio station gives its facilities for

Segs Showcasing Union Talent Set For Bow on WNYC

COLUMBUS, O., May' 3. — New York and possibly other cities soon will begin presenting special pro-grams showcasing talent of the Radio Writers' Guild, American Federation of Radio Artists and the Radio Direc-tors' Guild, it was decided in a meet-ing here last night between repre-sentatives of the unions and Seymour Siegel, director of programs for WNYC, New York. Necessity for such shows stems from

Necessity for such shows stems from a condition in many citics—New York and Chicago especially—where many radio union members never have a chance to show their talent. These showcase programs, which Siegel compares to the stage's experimental theater, are planned to correct this situation and present opportunities.

situation and present opportunities. At the meeting between Siegel: Earle McGill, president of RDG; Erik Barnouw, president of the RWG, and Nelson Case, president of the New York AFRA chapter, it was decided to put the plan in action for the first time at WNYC within a couple of months. Station will air a one-hour showcase program each week and ex-perience gathered during this series is to be passed on to other radio talent union chapters in other cities with the suggestion that similar shows be started elsewhere. started elsewhere.

COLUMBUS, O.. May 3.—Possi-lity that telecasters and public serv-e organizations might get into fu-re hassels similar to those which arked the relationship between ese organizations and radio years program.

program. Those taking the opposing view stated. "Here we go again; just like radio 20 years ago when it had to be forced to do public service program-ing." They pictured the likely re-precussions in the press, govern-ment and elsewhere if telecasters take such a stand while licensed to oper-ate in the public interest, conven-ience and necessity. They said the industry would be condemned. The pro-public service set also stated that video stations, especially in initial stages of operation, would be foolish to make such policies be-cause they would need programing material supplied by public service orgs and that this programing would not be forthcoming if orgs, most of

not be forthcoming if orgs, most of which could not afford it, had to pay expensive production costs.

expensive production costs. Proponents of the suggestion coun-tered by saying, "Okay, so a cry will be raised if we charge for produc-tion costs. Don't forget two things: Many orgs are just out to do a public relations job for their membership (the American Medical Association was quoted as being in this cate-gory) and we're not going to finance public service campaigns unless so-ciety in general benefits. Secondly, what if we can't afford it?"



COLUMBUS, O., May 3.—Criticis-ing those in the industry who are saying that television will be ready to take radio's place in the American home in a few years, Ben Park, writer-producer of the WBBM, Chi-cago, show, *Report Uncensored*, win-ner of this year's Peabody and DuPont awards today alaimed during an Obio awards. today claimed during an Ohio State Institute session on documentary programing that radio production had not yet been brought to its peak, and

Gripes Ring Rafters Over **Dupe Meets**

Multiple Sessions Overlap

COLUMBUS, O., May 3.—Despite the objections of the industry and others who attended the Ohio State the objections of the industry and others who attended the Ohio State Institute in past years, Dr. I. Keith Tyler, institute head, persisted this year in booking a multiple number of overlapping sessions in the section meeting and work-study group cate-gories, giving impetus to plenty of gripes in the institute halls. Saturday afternoon work-study sessions marked the high point in conflicts, with 11 simultaneous meet-ings.

Delegates interested in children's Delegates interested in children's programs found themselves particu-larly handicapped by this duplication process. Also annoying was the fact that on several occasions, almost identical subjects were covered by different speakers at different ses-sions. Saturday afternoon, for ex-ample, "The Radio Critic and the Public" was part of the agenda of the Public" was part of the agenda of the Public" was devoted to "A Critical Look at Radio Criticism." A similar in-stance occurred Sunday afternoon when part of the discussion of the religious broadcasts panel was conwhen part of the discussion of the religious broadcasts panel was con-cerned with the need for FCC super-vision of program content. This fol-lowed by two hours a special session origination of a Columbus Town Meeting broadcast on the subject, "Should the Federal Communications Commission Have Any Control Over Programs?" Another aspect of the duplication

Programs?" Another aspect of the duplication process lay in the appearance of the same people on more than one panel. At the opening general session on "Building and Producing Effective Programs," for example, two panel members, Mitchell Grayson, of the Radio Directors' Guild, and Eugene King, program director of WCOP, Boston, referred their listeners to sec-tion meetings which each was for con-

Boston, referred their listeners to sec-tion meetings which each was to con-duct the following day. In addition to duplications within this year's Columbus program, a com-parison with the 1947 schedule shows a high percentage of repetition in subject matter. Of this year's 33 work-study groups and section meet-ings. 18 carried exactly the same titles as did their predecessors; nine showed slight alteration in title wording but comparatively little change in con-tent, and six presented relatively new angles on familiar themes. All of this caused many in attend-

All of this caused many in attend-ance to say that if Dr. Tyler did not change matters next year they would be back at home when institute proceedings got under way.

has failed to establish itself as an indigenous literary medium. The radio industry, in the main, has re-sisted assuming the responsibility in-

sisted assuming the responsibility in-herent in accepting the facts of radio's enormous potential." At another point he said: "Insofar as radio is trying to be an apologetic second best for the various forms of visual entertainment, the critics are right. But," he concluded, "if we had been developing an indigenous radio thus tele might have an advantage it didn't deserve. "All of a sudden," said Park. "we are asked which is better, radio or television? The answer is that radio

Tele's Sluff At Ohio Meet **Brings Beefs**

COLUMBUS, O., May 3.-Plenty of comment about the lack of sessions devoted to television was noted here at the 18th Institute for Education by Radio. Comment noted that there was only one complete session on tele-vision, which was held Friday after-noon before many registrants had arrived, and that other sessions in which television should definitely have had a part ignored the medium almost completely. Martin Gosch, New York video producer, summed it up by saying that "as far as tele was concerned, this was an ostrich session." Radio. Comment noted that there was

Gripe was that television definitely had come of age and needed attention in an institute devoted to general industry and educational problems. Particularly noted was that sessions devoted to adult education via radio should have included television and that sessions devoted to industry training courses in universities and colleges should have training of television as well as radio person-nel. A number of the few video people Gripe was that television definitely nel. A number of the few video people on hand stated that if more special vision next year, or if television were not considered in sports, where it belonged, they would not return.

Dr. I. Keith Tyler, head of the in-stitute, was asked about reasons for not having more television. He ex-plained that committees which set up plained that committees which set up program for the institute apparently did not think it was necessary to discuss television extensively this year. He stated, however, that re-commendations had been made that next year the title of the institute be "Institute for Education by Radio and Television" and that there would be consideration of this proposal. After Tyler made this statement some at the institute noted that if the word television were included in the title, video subject matter obviously would have to be included.

Free Air Requests

Free Air Kequests Pose Big Problem COLUMBUS, O., May 3.—National and local welfare organizations are developing into large-sized problems for both network and local stations, according to the National Organiza-tions and Radio panel held at the Ohio State Institute Saturday after-noon (1). Requests for free air time are reaching new highs, and local stations in particular are seeking some means of meeting the demand, stemming the tide and achieving some kind of reasonable working arrange-ments with local radio chairmen, most of whom are volunteers and radio amateurs. A 50-kw. station in a large metropolitan center may re-ceive as many as 15 to 20 requests per day, said E. W. Ziebarth, pro-duction manager of WCCO, Min-neapolis. In addition to Ziebarth, panel con-sisted of Edutha L Macaura

In addition to Ziebarth, panel con-In addition to Ziebarth, panel con-sisted of Edythe J. Meserand, assist-ant director, news and special fea-tures, WOR, New York, and Leslie T. Harris, assistant to the vice-president in charge of radio, Benton & Bowles, New York. Prepared speeches dealt primarily with the general subject of how to get an or-ganization message on the air

general subject of how to get an or-ganization message on the air. Program director, WNYC, New York, defended the right of organ-izations to station co-operation on major campaigns in line with FCC regulations, but pointed out that, in a recent two-week period, WNYC had handled 73 such drives, and that it had rolled up a total of 630 indi-vidual fund-raising campaigns last year. year.

12th American Exhibition of Educational **Radio Programs**

(Sponsored by the 18th Annual Institute for Education by Radio, Ohio State University, Columbus) Columbia Broadcasting System practically ran away with first awards at Ohio State judging, getting six firsts to far outdistance its nearest rival, National Broadcasting Company, which got two firsts.

American Broadcasting Company, which won last year with five firsts, this year dropped to a poor fourth, with only one first, and no honorable mention. Hewing to the educational line, the judges awarded no first in the

net cultural music division, saying net music is highly entertaining but not contributing to "education in the field of music."

		TION I-NATIONAL NETWORK PROC	RAMS	_
	Class Religious	Program No The Eternal Light	NBC	Award First
	-	Greatest Story Ever Told	ABC MBS	First First
	Agricultural	The Garden Gate	CBS	First First
	Cultural	Family Incater The Garden Gate National Farm and Home Hour General CBS Is There State 48	CBS	First Hon. Mention
				Hon. Mention
	Cultural	Music Music NBC Symphony Orchestra Orchestra of the Nation Doorway to Life	NBC	No First Award Hon. Mention
·	Public Affairs	Orchestra of the Nation Doorway to Life	NBC CBS	Hon. Mention First
				First Hon. Mention
		Documentary Programs Howard K. Smith From London United Nations Today Special	CBS Net	Special Citation Special Citation
	Children's Programs	Magic Adventures Melody Theater	CBC MBS	First First
		Tales of Adventure Let's Pretend	CBS	Hon. Mention
		The Story to Order	CBS NBC	Hon. Mention Hon. Mention
	One-Time Broadcasts	The Friend and Peter Stuyvesant	MBS CBS	Hon. Mention First
		Son of Man Murder in the Cathedral	CBS CBC	First First
		Case Against Cancer Ghost and the Bell	CBC NBC	First Hon. Mention
		REGIONAL NETWORKS, REGIONAL Honal and Clear-Channel Sta		IZATIONS
	Religious	World Over Playhouse		New York
	-	Regimental Raindrops ·	wow,	First Omaha
•		Farm Safety		First Oklahoma City
		Women's		Hon. Mention No Award
	Cultural	Music for Marmaduke		Fort Wayne
		The Spoken Word	WNEW	First , New York
;	Personal and Social	Divorce	KLZ, I	
	Problems	New World A-Comin'	WMCA,	First New York
		Author Speaks His Mind	WNEW	First , New York
l		Report Uncensored		Hon. Mention Chicago
	Presenting Public Issues	Housing—1947		Special Award New York
	Flesenting Fubic 165005			First , New York
				First
i		A Home To Live In		New York Hon, Mention
	News Interpretation			New York First
	Furthering International Understanding	An American University-Princeton		New York First
	4	Nations on Parade	WILL,	Urbana, Ill. Hon. Mention , New York
		UN News Reel	WQXR	, New York Hon. Mention
	Special One-Time Broadcasts	Menace in White		acific Net First
		Safety in Water	CKEY,	Toronto Hon. Mention
•		All the King's Men	KUOM	Minneapolis Hon. Mention
		Hell or High Water	KOIN,	Portland, Ore.
:	Children's Out-of-School	American Heritage	WNEW	Hon. Mention , New York First
	Listening	Fun Time	WHA,	Madison
:		Up and Down the Scales	KSL, I	
		Children's Corner	WIRE,	Hon. Mention Indianapolis
•	Primary Grades	Radioland Express		Hon. Mention Philadelphia
i		Story Period for Junior		First Toronto
-	CLASSIFICATION IN	-LOCAL ORGANNIZATIONS AND I	OCAL	Hon. Mention STATIONS
5	Religious	The Eastern Liturgies	WEW,	St. Louis First
	Cultural	Music for the Connoisseur	WNYC	New York First
	Personal and Social	People Unlimited	WNYC	New York
-	Problems	It's Tough To Be Young	WBZ,	First . Boston
	Public Issues	Transit Hearings	WNYC	First New York
9	International	International Quiz	WPEN,	First New York
1	Understanding	United Nations Sessions	WNYC	First , New York
a e	One-Time Broadcasts	I Witness Death		First Hollywood
-		One Hundred Fold		First New York
	Children's Out of School	Saturday Morning Children's Story		Hon. Mention
v _	Broadcasts	Fair Leather Breeches		First , Austin
1	Brimarn Creden			First Cleveland
	Primary Grades	Health Parade		First
1 E	High Schools	Drama Time		, New York First
t _		Assignment UN		, New York First
t	Junior High School	Forum	WNYC	, New York Hon. Mention
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Com'l Airers Put Up Fight Against Slams

(Continued from opposite page) for good efforts was seen in the fact that this year more than 580 programs were submitted for judging, whereas in the past about 200 has been considered a good total.

But, desiring awards or not, the industry is tired of being pushed around and is ready to make its displeasure heard. Practically a keynote of the entire conference and a synthesis of commercial broadcasters' viewpoints was the speech made by Ted Cott, vice-president and program director of WNEW, New York, when he presided at the official opening session of the Institute Friday night.

Cott Waxes Hot

Cott waxes hot Striking out at the educators, Cott said that commercial radio "is con-stantly on the defensive, a position it takes more by courtesy than by the necessities of the facts. Radio broad-casters, more and more, must estab-lish a beachhead on the land of facts. It is time the educators became edu-cated They are mired in the false cated. They are mired in the false syllogisms of the actual facts and are basing their attacks on false claims. They are substituting philology for philosophy. The fact remains that the greatest degree of incompetence in the American system of broadcast. in the American system of broadcast-ing rests with the educational groups. The pressure groups get the head-lines and the broadcasters the foot-notes."

notes." Then warming up, Cott continued: "Too many educators have not used radio as a tool but as a football. If half the energy expended on attack-ing radio's bad points were channeled into promoting radio's good features, the natural evolution of better things would come to the air. . . I chal-lenge the pressure groups. I chal-lenge their claims to presenting pro-grams in the public interest. They have abused the intent of public service and have wound up behind the eight ball of failure. They do not serve the public because they are surrounded by pompousness and clothed in snobbery."

Novik Answers Cott

Novik Answers Cott Such words did not go unchal-lenged. Morris Novik, veteran edu-cational broadcaster, and other edu-cational broadcasters took Cott to task for "protesting too much" and for praising radio when a lot of im-provement still had to be seen.

But whatever the pro and the con, the point remains that commercial radio is getting back at the educators. The Ohio State Institute was founded many years ago to bring harmony between commercial broadcasters and oducators. If this year's meeting can educators. If this year's meeting can be taken as a criterion, that harmony is on the verge of being destroyed and the site where a peace treaty was once signed might have become the battleground of the first campaign in a new war.

AER Installs Officers

COLUMBUS, O., May 3.—Associa-tion for Education by Radio (AER) installed new officers for a year's term at the Ohio State Institute here.

term at the Ohio State Institute here. George Jennings, director of the Board of Education Radio Council in Chicago and former treasurer of AER, was elected president. Betty T. Girling, Minnesota School of the Air, was elected first vice-president. Sec-ond vice-presidency was won by Allen Miller, Rocky Mountain Radio Council, while Gertrude G. Broderick was re-elected secretary and Blanche was re-elected secretary and Blanche Young, Indianapolis public schools, was elected treasurer.

RADIO (LOCAL PROGRAM COMPETITION)

Winning Programs in Local Competition

PUBLIC SERVICE 50,000 Watts

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regime. The program is shot thru with incidents pointing up the dem-ocratic tradition, and considerable production excellence is entailed in the dramatization of colonial life. The series, which started February 8, is produced in co-operation with the University of Pennsylvania, Tem-ple University and the Committee of 70. regime. The program is shot thru

Freedom Train First Place—WCAU, Philadelphia Producer-Writer: John Charest Supervisor: Joseph Connolly

Narrator: Robert Pryor

WCAU's Freedom Train shaped up as a well-produced public service venture dramatizing the ideals of democracy. Inasmuch as the Freedom Train began its tour in Philadelphia, Train began its tour in Philadelphia, the station was able to tie in with the promotion accruing from that event. Top talent made up the cast, with Roger Pryor handling the nar-rator's spot. Outstanding musical talent, the Robin Hood Dell Choir with soloists Andrew Gainey and David Lloyd, contributed to the stir-ring sequences. This rededication of David Lloyd, contributed to the stir-ring sequences. This rededication of American ideals included dramatic scenes from the days of Patrick Henry, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln and other patriots. The con-cluding portion was an actual visit to the train, the impressions taken with wire recorder.

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CBS Views the Press First Place—WCBS, New York Program Director: G. Richard Swift Writer-Commentator: Don Hollenbeck Announcer: George Bryan

Housing—1947 First Place—WNBC, New York General Manager: James M. Gaines Program Director: DeLancy Provost Producer: Thomas B. McFadden Director: Clay Daniel Research: Fred Heyward Weiter: Agness Erkbardt

A series of four broadcasts on the housing problem, this documentary tapped virtually all facets of industry, labor and government connected with the subject. Much of the ma-terial for the program was obtained

via wire-recorded interviews made by Fred Heywood, news and special events chief. As a final fillip, WNBC commissioned the Pulse of New York

to do a special poll on effects of the housing shortage, where lies the blame et al. The poll, combined with expert opinion, offered listeners a

tremendously comprehensive analysis

tremendously comprehensive analysis of the housing situation—its whys, wherefores, its possible solution, pros and cons of government versus pri-vate housing, the Taft-Ellender bill and an inquiry into building methods. Production under the direction of Thomas B. McFadden was superb.

Writer: Agnes Eckhardt

Neither Free Nor Equal

munities.

Announcer: George Bryan Turnabout is fair play, but when radio pulls the switch on the press it's more than that; it's a milestone. The first instance of a network-owned outlet embarking on such a risky venture, this show is handled by Don Hollenbeck, who writes and reads the commentaries. A former newspaperman, Hollenbeck devoted bis initial efforts to the dailies' treat Producer: Sig Mickelson Writers: Ralph Andrist, Ralph Backlund Director: Bob Sutton Racial prejudice militates against his initial efforts to the dailies' treathis initial efforts to the dailies' treat-ment of the recent investigation of families on the city's relief rolls. A program of this type means that radio actually is taking a stand; that radio is squaring off and asserting its birthright. That is no small event in radio programing or radio-press

the story implicit in Neither Free Nor Equal, a dramatic attack against in-tolerance. This program ranges far and wide, considering the plight of various minorities and showing how these people are, in effect, neither free nor equal. The production tech-nique involved the use of a series of incidents, each of them showing the face of prejudice as affecting one minority or another. It's courageous stuff, laden with punch, and carrying stuff, laden with punch, and carrying a message of topmost importance to a message of the Northwest.

The Freedom Train Third Place-WSM, Nashville

Producer-Director: Jack Stapp Assistant Producer-Director: Stewart Tom

Writer: Saul Carson Cast: Eddy Arnold, Roy Acuff, Bradley Kincaid, Snooky Lanson Music: Fisk University Choir, WSM Staff Orchestra

Aired in the heart of the South, this documentary, hailing the arrival of the Freedom Train in Nashville, proved exciting, courageous radio fare. The forthright calls for equal-ity of rights and opportunity were done in ballad form and by the sta-tion's regular talent. This made the appeals all the more effective. The dialogue bridge between songs was carried on between Bradley Kincaid and Snooky Lanson, with Lanson using music to answer doubts posed by Kincaid. The latter, ultimately, was convinced, offering his own share of music in affirmation. WSM. with this show, translated a key message in popular terms, and more effectively than any number of ed-itorials could have done. Aired in the heart of the South. itorials could have done.

PUBLIC SERVICE 5,000 to 20,000 Watts

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- The American Family Third Place—WOV, New York Producer Director Writer: Virginia Momand
 - Panel Members: Dr. Leland Wood, Miss Frances Taussig, Mrs. Marian
 - Hernandez Cast: Sylvia Davis, Whit Vernon, Janet Tyler, Louise Barclay, Bill Lipton, Max Cole

It is to the great credit of WOV, primarily an Italian language station, that it took upon itself an examina-tion of perhaps the most pressing problems current in American society: Divorce, sex education, illegitimacy and allied subjects. By bringing these long-tabooed topics into the open and by presenting a painstaking analysis of divorce, sexual maladjustment and other social ills, *The American Family* series reflects radio's adult stature. Courage, responsibility and maturity are implicit in this series.

A Home To Live In Third Place-WMCA, New York

Writer: Michael Sklar Director: Mitchell Grayson Music: John Gart

Narrator: Jackson Beck Cast: Joan Shea, Charlotte Lawrence, Bill Griffis, Bryon McGrath, Sanford Bickert, Louis Neistadt

Courage is the outstanding in-gredient of A Home To Live In, a scathing examination of the hous-ing crisis in New York. Outstanding sequences in this show were in the form of an one latter to a birth atte form of an open letter to a high city official (Bob Moses), probing the causes which led to the housing problem. Skillfully produced, this pro-gram is credited with clearing the way for a solution of the problem thru the release of a fund earmarked for the construction of housing units.

Hell or High Water Third Place—KOIN, Portland, Ore. Writer-Producer: Willard Mears Music: Owen Dunning

This is a dramatic documentary on the country's greatest economic asset —the land. The script touches upon different historical periods of the world, telling how improper use of the land wrecked civilizations. In our own time and our own country there own time and our own country there were the dust storms and floods, all brought on by improper land conser-vation. The concept is difficult for city dwellers to grasp, but the pro-gram makes clear that agriculture is the cornerstone of a nation's economy. In other words, how one treats the soil may be the difference between a In prosperous world and a dying one. The program illustrates this forcibly, and considers the matter of a soil conservation program.

To Your Industrial Health Third Place—WWJ, Detroit

Writer: Earl Gormaine Producer-Director: Burton Wright Music: Ole Foerch

Sound: Selwyn Touber

Programs of this series dramatize the dangers of occupational hazards and stress the necessity of following the rules of safety in specific industries. The series also demonstrates that disabilities, such as deafness, are not necessarily a handicap in some occupations, and employers are urged to give people thus afflicted a chance. They can often do a better job than They can often do a better job than others. This show, produced in co-operation with the Health Institute of the UAW-CIO, is fresher in format than the usual health program and scores on educational and public service grounds.

Meet Your Congress Third Place-WWJ, Detroit

the work of Congress. WWJ runs a special line for the pick-up from Washington, and airs outstanding congressmen. A smoothly run, intelligent program.

University Reports to the People Special Award—KUOM, Minneapolis

Writer-Producer: Northrop Dawson Ir.

Cast: Robert Boyle, Ray Christensen, Roy Norquist, Harry Boranian, Lorne Paynter, Dr. George Schwartz, Dr. Paynter, Dr. (Edward Davis

Organized in connection with Uni-versity of Minnesota Week, this pro-gram is indicative of close integration between the university's station, KUOM, and the community. The re-ports were on such subjects as new developments in mining, new sources of iron ore, a new dairy industry— all of them pertinent subjects to the people of Minnesota. KUOM is a non-conmercial educational outlet owned by the university.

PUBLIC SERVICE 250 to 1,000 Watts

(Continued from page 8) gram to promote safety. Plugs are kept to a minimum by the sponsor.

John Doe Jr. Third Place—WBNS, Columbus, O.

Producer-Narrator: Irwin A. Johnson Writer: Jacki Nicholson Cast: Irwin Johnson, Jacki Nicholson, High School Students, Guests

Irwin A. Johnson, public service director of WBNS, has put together a curiously interesting program dedi-cated to teen-agers. He chats with them informally about their clubs, in-terests, what they do in and out of school. It's all ad lib, and Johnson's manner is such that he really makes the youngsters tell what's in their minds and hearts. There's an oc-casional bit of music on the show, a record representing the top request on the high school hit parade. The program is simple in production and definite in orbital definite in appeal.

How To Be a Statistic, Tool Third Place—CKEY, Toronto

Writer-Producer: Ross McLean Announcer: Bill Reid

Cast: Don Insley, John Walker, Phyllis Walter

There are unusual touches to this program, which is a dramatized holi-day warning anent safety on the water. The first few minutes on the script is written in teasing fashion, with the listener not quite knowing what it is about. Rapidly thereafter, however, the story line presents a housewife admonishing her husband to take adequate precautions while on a vacation trip. The repetition of the safety slogans, with the female voice chiming in immediately after the male voice, are particularly ef-fective against a background of suitable music.

Focus on '48 Third Place—CKEY, Toronto

Writer-Producer-Announcer: Ross Mc-Lean

Cast: Melwyn Breen, Gloria Newson, R. R. Robertson, James Reaney, Gene Hallman, Andrew Bell, Duncan Robertson, E. G. Graham, Robert Weaver, Percy Saltzman, John Walker, Harold Town, Dez Kearney, Phyllis Walters, Jack Kelly

Phyllis Walters, Jack Kelly This is an interesting program in format and content. Different an-alysists consider current aspects of literature, music, the stage, screen and sciences. The discourses are illumi-nating, educational, rarely dull and occasionally very courageous — an example of the latter being a con-sideration of the Kinsey report. The technique of the Canadians on talk programs is often superior to that of U. S. producers, and this show is one Moderator: Blair Moody This program is an evaluation of instance of that fact.

It's Tough To Be Young Second Place—WBZ, Boston Production Manager: Stephen J. Burke Producer-Directors: Gene Kilham, John McLean Writer: Ralph Giffen

Produced in Co-Operation With the Lowell Institute

Done in connection with the Low-ell Institute's Broadcasting Council, It's Tough To Be Young is one of the nost authoritative treatments of ju-wenile problems, including delin-quency. The program includes a dramatization of a specific incident illustrating a problem, with the re-maining time devoted to a discussion of the particular case by local experts associated with juvenile courts, col-leges and various agencies dealing with children and adolescents. Typ-ical subjects examined are "The Overbearing Parent," "Children in the Wrong Type of School" and "Un-discovered Health Defects."

The Undiscovered

Second Place-WTOP, Washington Director Public Service: Mrs. Hazel

Kenyon Markel Producer: Larry Beckerman Writer: Gunnar Back

Produced in co-operation with the U. S. Public Health Service, *The Undiscovered* is an arresting and courageous attack on venereal dis-ease. The title refers to the thousands of victims of VD who go without treatment, thereby causing them-selves and others great harm. Broad-casts include explanatory accompany casts include explanatory comment by physicians and continually points by physicians and continually points up the fact that cures are available for those afflicted. In fact this note of hope is one of the moving qualities of the program. Some sequences, especially those taken in hospitals via wire recorder, are startlingly dramatic and pathetic. These, to-gether with the persuasive verbiage, are likely to materially cut down VD in the nation's capital. The program might very well be used as a model by broadcasters serving other com-munities.

Third Place-WCCO, Minneapolis

democracy, feeds upon its own flesh and finally devours itself. That is the story implicit in Neither Free Nor

MUSIC, FOLK AND WESTERN 50,000 Watts

(Continued from page 8) (Continued from page 8) and which has developed a hefty sales as a record. The ensemble also turns out some heated fiddling with some fancy hot licks on the Western-type numbers, plus a gal vocalist who handles the lyrics as tho they were a bronco. For a local musical show, this one rings a good-size bell.

Fun by the Fireside First Place-WBT, Charlotte, N. C. Sponsor: Jefferson Standard Life Ins. Co.

Co. Producer-Writer: Kenneth Tredwell Cast: Arthur Smith, Larry Walker, Pat Walker, Johnson Family Singers with Betty Johnson, Donny Malone, Clarence Etters Announcer: Joe Given

This is a family-type musical show, aired 30 minutes live, and featuring folksy introductions of the numerous folksy introductions of the numerous cast members, who took solo turns while the others sang behind them. Voices proved of better than average quality, while the effect of the "fam-ily" technique was a warming one. Instrumentally, there's a trio of pi-ano, organ and guitar which does better than all right, with guitarist Arthur Smith making things hum with his spirited and dexterous ren-ditions ditions.

Arthur Smith and His Crackerjacks First Place—WBT, Charlotte, N. C. Sponsor: The Southern Farmer

Producer-Director: Kenneth Tredwell Writer: Patsy Snook Cast: Arthur, Sonny and Ralph Smith;

Rov Lear

The fabulous Arthur Smith, cutting The fabilities Arthur shifti, cutting loose on his hot guitar, his hot fiddle and his hot vocalizing. The man of many talents really has this spon-sored stanza jumping from start to finish, and even ripping loose with humorous renditions of songs. Pace, talent and selections are all of the highest quality.

Old Dominion Barn Dance Second Place-WRVA, Richmond, Va.

Program Service Manager: Sam Carey Sponsor: Southland Coffee Producer: Scott Jarrett Announcer: Alden Aaroe Cast: Sunshine Sue and 15 hillbilly

artists

When it comes to live presentations of barn-dance type music, WRVA is one of the better-known and more adept stations. This is one of the one of the better-known and more adept stations. This is one of the shows it airs from its own theater, with a cast of about 15. Hillbilly stuff is femseed by a gal named Sunshine Sue, and she does better than just all right. It's a good-humored, neatly tailored 30 minutes of spousared listening of sponsored listening.

MUSIC, CLASSICAL AND SEMI-CLASSICAL 250 to 1,000 Watts

(Continued from page 9) which had been done in previous years by the local troupe, with the commentary including tidbits such as date the show was given locally, cast members who became famous, etc. It also ties in with shows to be given later this season, with one number later this season, with one number included from a show skedded but not previously seen in St. Louis. The music itself is tasteful and appealing and served up in a manner adding ex-tra special local appeal. The music is taken from records and transcribed onto a disk about two weeks before each broadcast. each broadcast.

Pianorama Second Place-KXOL, Ft. Worth

Program Director: Bill Herring Sponsor: Oliver H. Ross Piano Com-pany (Direct) Writers: Bill Herring, Jim Hancock

A program featuring recordings of classical recordings of piano music exclusively, handled with exceptional intelligence. Commentary by the boypiano music girl team of Bill Herring and Jim

Art Smith's Guitar Winner for WBT

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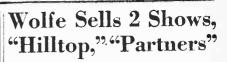
featured on three shows entered by the station in this music division. On each of the programs, it was Smith's digital dexterity which stood out, al-tho the shows were of considerable quality otherwise. Smith's *Guitar* Boogie was a hit record a year ago.

A show titled Arthur Smith and His Crackerjacks concentrated on Western numbers, with Smith showing he has vocal and violin abilities, too. The Arthur Smith Quartet airer basically was a folk music show. Fun by the Fireside was a family-type of concert program, in which all the cast members took turns soloing, with Smith again shining.

Second prize in the Folk-Western music category was awarded to WRVA, Richmond, Va., for its Old Dominion Barn Dance. This was a lively show, with a large and tal-ented cast running thru some top havloft autics hayloft antics.

An unusual stanza which attracted An unusual stanza which attracted attention was one which featured a mixture of live hillbilly music and transcribed classics. This hybrid en-try was titled, appropriately enough, *Concert or Corn?* and was entered by KMOX, St. Louis. Purpose of the show was ambitious enough—to in-tarest lowers of one type of music in terest lovers of one type of music in the other.

Hancock, covers briefly the back-grounds of the number performed, the composer and the recording artist. The Herring-Hancock team does its own research and the result makes good sense and good listening. A neat twist for a record show, which is twist for a record show, which is sponsored by a local piano merchant.



NEW YORK, May 1. — Ed Wolfe, owner of Break the Bank, sold two more properties this week. One is more properties this week. One is Hilltop House, a five-a-week quarter-hour soap opera which will start as a sustainer May 17 over the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) in the 10:30 a.m. slot.

The other, an audience participation The other, an audience participation show, is titled *Lucky Partners* and has been sold to the Mutual Broad-casting System. It is scheduled to start May 20, 8:30-9 p.m.

Monroe Shifted To 10:30 Monday

NEW YORK, May 1.—Dissatisfac-tion with the current 9:30 p.m. Sat-urday slot on Columbia Broadcast-ing System (CBS) for its Vaughn Monroe show has culminated in can-celation of the period by R. J. Rey-nolds Tobacco Company (Camels). Monroe, with whom the sponsor is completely happy, will move into the 10:30 p.m. Monday slot now occupied by Camels' Screen Guild airer when that show takes its hiatus after the June 28 outing. Camels and CBS both hope to be able to set Monroe into a new period which will be satisfactory to all for the fall. William Esty is the agency involved.

involved.

NEW YORK, May 1.-What Makes NEW YORK, May 1.—What Makes You Tick?, new audience-participa-tion show being produced by Addison Smith, will summer-replace Quick as a Flash for Helbros watches on the Mutual Broadcasting System. It

starts June 6. The Weintraub Agency handles the

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Coy, Miller Not To Clash At NAB Meet

All Is Peace—As of Now

By Ben Atlas

By Ben Atlas WASHINGTON, May 1.— The strongest chance in a decade for harmony between the radio industry and government is ripening in talks now being prepared by Justin Miller, president of the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB), and Wayne Coy, chairman of the Federal Com-munications Commission (FCC) for delivery at NAB's Los Angeles con-vention this month. The Billboard has learned that

The Billboard has learned that altho Miller and Coy are not deliberattib Miller and Coy are not defiber-ately planning a love-feast between industry and government at the con-vention, both major speakers intend to tread common ground in empha-sizing radio broadcasting's status in serving the nation. Miller will stress proadcasting as a major profession serving the nation. Miller will stress broadcasting as a major profession calling for high ethics. Coy will deliver a sort of "state of the nation" talk on radio in which the FCC chairman will call attention to radio's coming of age. And neither, as mat-ters stand now, will attack the other. In the past, FCC and NAB spokesmen have used the convention as arenas in which they could—and did—stage slugging matches.

Miller No Harold Ryan

Miller's emphasis on radio's "pro-fessional" status nevertheless will represent sharp departure from views often expressed by his immediate predecessor, J. Harold Ryan. Ryan predecessor, J. Harold Ryan. Ryan became a controversial figure because of his insistence that radio broadcast-ing was a bread-and-butter business like the corner drugstore, grocery and gas station. That view was con-sidered chiefly responsible for fric-tion which was at its highest point between the NAB and FCC during Ryan's regime Ryan's regime.

Miller, however, will be unyield-ing in a stand he has already taken on radio's right to exercise its free-dom without government interfer-ence. It is not expected that he will invite argument specifically on the FCC's controversial Mayflower de-cision unless the commission an-nounces a pre-convention ruling which in any way supports the FCC's ban on editorializing on the air. ban on editorializing on the air. Since a clarifying ruling is due from the FCC as the result of recent hearings on the Mayflower ban, the for-mer judge of the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals is expected to stick to his customary judicial policy of (See FCC and NAB on page 18)

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Radio News Digest

NEW YORK, May 1.—Two quarter-hour periods of Stop the Music, American Broadcasting Company's (ABC) full hour Sunday night show, were sold yesterday to two sponsors, whose identities were withheld pending assignment of periods. The web also was nearing the inking stage with two other bankrollers, one of whom was re-ported hot to purchase the entire remaining 30 minutes.

NEW YORK, May 1.—Lassie, Hollywood's glamor hound, this week switched kennels from ABC to National Broadcasting Com-pany (NBC), effective June 5. The canine star's *Lassie Show* had been using ABC for the past year under sponsorship of John Morrell & Company's Red Heart Dog Food. Henri, Hurst & McDonald, Inc., of Chicago, is the agency.

NEW YORK, May 1.—The New York Daily News plans no appeal of its turn-down by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) for an FM license.

NEW YORK, May 1.—Following the death this week of Tom Breneman. the emsee's role on ABC's *Breakfast in Hollywood* show has been assigned to Garry Moore, who cut a transcription here today (1) for the Monday (3) broadcast. Moore, who will continue as quiz master on *Take It Or Leave It*, will fly to Hollywood tonight and begin airing the *Breakfast* show live Tuesday.

NEW YORK, May 1.—The agency of LaRoche & Ellis, Inc., this week changed its name to C. J. LaRoche & Company, Inc. William R. Stuhler, veepee, continues to head the radio and television department.

NEW YORK, May 1.—ABC's gross time sales in the first quarter of 1948 hit \$11,857,194—highest for the period in the web's career. It was a rise of 14.2 per cent for the same period in 1947, when ABC grossed \$10,387,004.

DETROIT, May 1.—Detroit was left without a foreign language outlet this week when the State Supreme Court upheld an earlier ruling refusing a temporary or other injunction against WJLB's dropping of non-English shows. The suit was brought by interested foreign language groups and some actual or alleged employees of the station. WJBK dropped foreign shows last fall, altho Detroit has a large foreign speaking population.

CHICAGO, May 1.—George A. Bolas. one of the top figures in the advertising agency field here, will leave the local office of Foote, Cone & Belding early this month to join the Tatham-Laird Agency of this city.

CHICAGO, May 1.—The radio industry will have another radio institute to attend, or contend with, July 29-30, when Indiana Uni-versity holds its second annual conference on radio in education on the university's campus in Bloomington, it was announced this week. Theme of the conference, according to George C. Johnson, director of educational radio at the university, and chairman of the conference, will be "Radio and Education for the Democratic Way of Life."

NEW YORK, May 1 .-- National Broadcasting Company will use the Slapsie Maxie Rosenbloom show as summer replacement for The Aldrich Family.

NEW YORK, May 1.-Summer replacement for the Prudential *Family Hour*, Sunday evening, 6-6:30 p.m. over Columbia Broadcast-ing System (CBS). will be Earl Wrightson, Dudley King's orchestra, a fem guest and choir. Wrightson will also emsee. Joan Edwards, once believed in negotiation for the show, will not be in it.

NEW YORK, May 1.—Lead role in *Meet Miss Brooks*, new Co-lumbia Broadcasting System package, is again open. It was first in-tended for Shirley Booth and then for Joan Blondell, but the latter pulled out of the deal because of plans for film work.

NEW YORK, May 1.—A number of summer replacements were set this week. *The Sealtest Village Store* on NBC will be replaced by the sponsor with a show headed by Ray Noble and 30-piece ork. Also included are Ileen Wood, a chorus, and guest male vocalist. Dates are July 1 thru August 9.

The Cities Service show on NBC will be replaced by the Cities Service Band of America, a brass outfit, under the baton of Paul La-valle. The latter is the regular maestro, too. Dates are June 4 thru August 27, and possibly to September 3. Origination, New York. On CBS, *Try and Stop Me*, the Bill Todman-Mark Goodson CBS package, will move into the *Corliss Archer* spot beginning Sunday (9) with Bill Cullen as emsee. There will be a minimum jackpot of \$1,000 worth of morehondia.

worth of merchandise.

HOLLYWOOD, May 1.-National Broadcasting Company's (NBC) noula meeting of regional affiliates will be held May 12-14 at Holly-wood's Roosevelt Hotel, with reps from stations in 11 Western States slated for a confab immediately preceding the National Association of Broadcasters (NBC) convention. Meetings will be divided into four major sessions, including panels on programing, public affairs, advertising, promotion, publicity and engineering.

FCC, NAB PITCH WOO AGAIN **Blocking of** NAB Code Is Sought

Breen Seeks Change

FORT DODGE. Ia., May 1. — A move to amend the by-laws and cer-tificate of incorporation of the Na-tional Association of Broadcasters (NAB), so that NAB board of directors may no longer have the authority to enact a code, has been started by Ed Breen, of KVFD. Fort Dodge. Breen, a newly elected NAB director himself, is now circulating a peti-tion to force the issue to a referendum.

dum. Breen, who has been opposed to the proposed code ever since it was introduced at NAB's Atlantic City convention last year, charges in a letter accompanying his petition form that the code is still prejudicial in favor of network and larger stations. He stated that altho the NAB mem-bers do not actually want the code, the board has it "by the tail and can't let go." let go."

the board has it "by the tail and can't let go." Submit to Referendum NAB by-laws provide that they may be amended by a majority refer-endum vote and that the board must call for a referendum when 5 per cent or more of the membership pe-tition accordingly. Breen's original petition calls for the board to submit to a referendum the question of whether it should retain its code-passing powers. Breen is also pro-posing a change in the certificate of incorporation giving the board this same power. He charges that the pertinent clause in the incorporation documents were added only last year and states in his letter "that it took some mighty fancy footwork to get them in." He also pointed out that last year he and Ralph Atlass, of Chicago, polled stations on their re-actions to the code and 678 voted against it; 47 for it. This is the second move in recent weeks to revamp the NAB by-laws. The other, since withdrawn, pend-ing the forthcoming convention, sought to change the make-up of the board so that independent stations would be required to have at least two representatives among the di-rectors.

rectors.

The press of copy in connection with the Local Program Competition has forced the omission, this week, of Radio-Television Department news stories and features. Many of them, however, have been reduced to essen-tials and are offered in the form of news digests thruout the two departments.



The Billboard

UPSTAIRS"

Old Squabble Over U-H-F To Confront FCC

Battle for Color Renewed

WASHINGTON, May 1.---Virtually dormant since the historic Federal Communications Commission (FCC) decision against upstairs color tele-vision, the question whether tele-vision should be moved upstairs to provide more room for channels is fast heing routing a generating the fast being revived as a major issue, likely to have the FCC once again groggily debating on a solution by the year's end.

This time the issue is being based on the need for lebensraum in television rather than on the specific question whether the time is ripe for color video versus black-white. Rapcolor video versus black-white. Rap-idly developing as a No. 1 topic in backstage discussions by government and trade bigwigs here, the issue is regarded as particularly explosive, since Chairman Wayne Coy of FCC has already predicted that "all of the television channels in the nation"s 140 metropolitan areas (50,000 popula 140 metropolitan areas (50,000 population and over) will be assigned by the end of the year."

Armstrong Involved

Armstrong Involved The question of ultra-high-fre-quency (U-H-F) for television is coming swiftly to the surface as the result of three major developments. One of these developments is the undertaking of an experimental sta-tion in upstairs video by Maj. Edwin H. Armstrong at Alpine, N. J. The FCC quietly authorized Armstrong Thursday (29) to launch the experi-mental station which Armstrong wants to operate at 480-500mcs. In issuing the grant, the FCC deferred specifying the exact band in which the station can operate. Armstrong, inventor of FM and noted as an auinventor of FM and noted as an au-thority on U-H-F video, is reported interested in paying the way anew for upstairs television. Some insiders here are hinting that he is working in here are hinting that he is working in color video. Armstrong himself is withholding details, presumably to avoid confusing the issue with the old bid by Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) for upstairs color tele-vision. The latter bid was rejected by the FCC last year after stormy hearings in which CBS's proposal was fought by the Radio Corporation of America (RCA), National Broadcast-ing Company (NBC), DuMont and other titans. Since then, CBS has adopted the expedient of current downstairs black-white video. A second major development which

A second major development which is expected to bring the U-H-F video is expected to bring the U-H-F video issue into the headlines again is the present radio-wide investigation by the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee under acting chairmanship of Sen. Charles Tobey (R., N. H.) (*The Billboard*, May 1). The acting chairman has emphasized that he wants to find out whether that he wants to find out whether upstairs color video is being retarded upstairs color video is being retarded and he has made it clear that he plans to explore "all possible sources of in-formation." Tobey, it is learned. has asked his investigators to examine the data produced during the FCC's hear-ings last year on CBS's sequential upstairs color system. RCA. DuMont and others, in opposing the sequential system, had argued that electronic

color was superior and that the time might be ripe for a shift to ultra high electronic color by 1951.

Another significant development in the newly stirring controversy over upstairs video is a quiet exploratory move begun by the Radio Manufac-turers' Association (RMA) and the Institute of Radio Engineers (IRE) to study the potentialities of upstairs video, particularly in the band up to 500 megacycles. The RMA and IRE are preparing to name a joint com-

study. mittee to make Creation of the committee has been au-thorized by RMA and IRE in answer to a suggestion made by FCC Chair-man Coy at a recent meeting of IRE. Coy, at that time, candidly declared that the industry faced a challenge of finding more room for video sta-tions, and he invited the angineers? tions and he invited the engineers' group to study the possibilities of the upper band. The joint RMA-IRE committee, an RMA spokesman told *The Billboard* this week, "will begin

functioning this summer report its findings not only to RMA and IRE but also to the FCC. RMA's role in this venture is regarded as significant, since a special RMA comwersus color hearing last year had voiced belief that electronic or simultaneous color television offered more promise than sequential. The special RMA committee, represented by Dr.
W. R. G. Baker, veepee of General (See "Upstairs" Ups on page 18)

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RADIO-TELEVISION

The Billboard

FCC and NAB **Pitch Woo Again**

(Continued from page 16) silence on specific issues "still in court."

Won't Take Up Code

While Miller will focus attention the requirement for ethical on standards in radio broadcasting, he is not expected to deal with the subject of NAB's projected new standards and practices and instead will leave the responsibility of indorsement or rejection of the code to the conven-tion delegates and board. Miller, in sounding his keynote for broadcast-ing's "awareness of the public" which it serves, will explain that this awareness can be maintained without risk to radio's independence or eon.

economic prosperity. The talks by Miller and Coy will highlight the convention schedule of addresses. Miller will tee off in his keynote speech at the Monday morning (17) session following an address of welcome by Gov. Earl Warren, of California. Coy will have opportunity to respond as major luncheon speaker the next day (18). Viewed as significant is the fact that Coy accepted the NAB invitation to speak despite heavy pressure of FCC business here. His acceptance came several days after the invitation was offered.

Plans for scheduled addresses were G. Mortimer, vice-president of Gen-eral Foods, consented to be major speaker at the Monday (17) lunch-

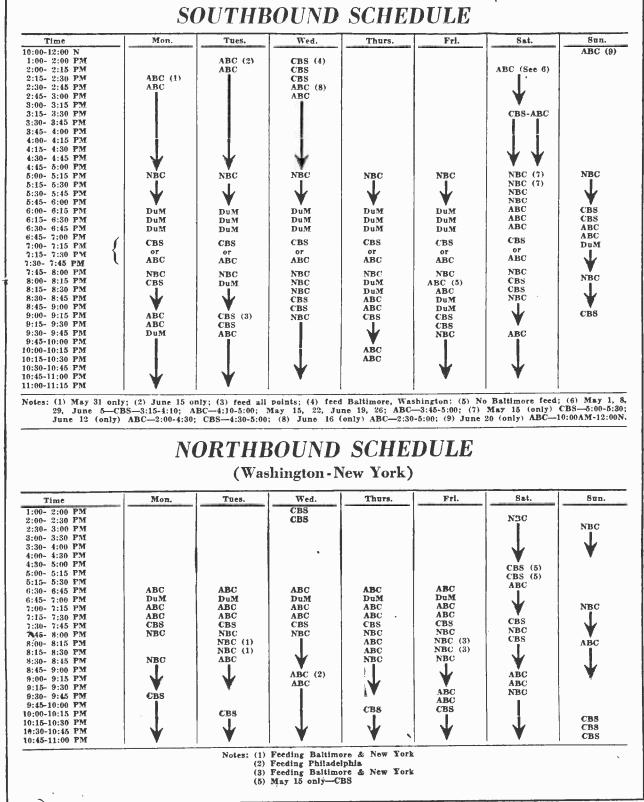


Electric Company, had testified at that time that over 2,000,000 blackand-white receivers could be sold in the next few years.

FCC'ers privately see Chairman Coy's anxiety over the growing "sat-uration" of commercial video as uration" of commercial video as stirring important new explorations in the upper band. The present down-stairs allocations for commercial tele-vision imposes a ceiling of seven video channels for any metropolitan area, with many limited to a ceiling well below that. Commercial video is now allocated in 44-72, 76-88 and 174-216 megacycles. Experimental 174-216 megacycles. Experimental frequencies can run in the 480-920mc.

T. & T. Coaxial Cable Schedule

NEW YORK, May 1. — Eastern telecasters, meeting recently with officials of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company (ATT) set up a new schedule for sharing of television network facilities between New York and Washington. The schedule will be in effect beginning today until June 30, 1948. Before that expiration date, another meeting will be held to discuss revisions. The only period in dispute is the 6:45 to 0.145 merchant. 7:45 p.m. hour Monday thru Saturday, for which both Columbia (CBS) and American (ABC) have applied.



"Thin Man" Bathes For Pabst Spot

NEW YORK, May 1.-The Thin Man, cleansed of crime, has been bought by Pabst as the summer replacement for the Eddie Cantor show on the National Broadcasting Company (NBC). Warwick & Legler is

the agency. The Das The Dashiell Hammett program, owned by Hi Brown, will be dressed up as a situation comedy show. It's understood that a few scripts have already been given to NBC, and the web approved same.

band as well as in the present down-

stairs commercial sector. With well over a score of commer-cial video stations on the air and nearly four score others under con-struction and almost 200 applications pending, Chairman Coy has declared that the video boom has turned erstwhile abundance of channels into scarcity. The chairman also has said that altho channels are still available for several hundred stations in smaller communities of 5,000 to 50,-000 population, "few persons in these areas have sought applications, since most of them are waiting to observe the success of the operations of the big city stations and also to profit by their accumulated experience." How-ever, the video boom has become so widespread that a large number of the sparser communities are already represented in the growing pile-up of bids before the FCC, despite the economic risk involved.

Among major considerations in the question of upping video frequencies is the impact on manufacture and sale of video receivers. Senator Tobey's committee investigating radio praccommittee investigating radio prac-tices is known to be making a care-ful study of this phase. Raymond Guy, NBC engineer in charge of radio and allocations, told the committee recently that "simple adapter" at-tachments could be made to existing sets to provide for color.

NEWPORT NEWS, May 1. NEWPORT NEWS, May 1. --WHYU, local 1,000-watt daytime in-die station, was sold this week to a local group headed by John Doley, manager of the Warwick Laundry, for \$80,000. The station, in operation a little over a year, was formerly owned by the Eastern Broadcasting Corporation, of Elizapeth City, N. C.

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Program Competition 50 - Kw. Outlets Put Emphasis **On Pop** Music

NEW YORK, May 1.—Music pro-graming on the local level by 50,000watt stations showed a strong tend-ency toward a concentration on popuency toward a concentration on popu-lar music, according to a sampling of entries in *The Billboard's* First Local Program Competition. How-ever, after getting past the award winners, the judges found the multi-tude of entries to be, generally, on a standard level, with few showing out-standard level, with few showing outstandard level, with few showing out-standing imagination. Top award in the pop bracket went to WHN, New York indie outlet, for the imaginative arrangements and sensitive piano stylings of batoneer Joel Herron. The show had brightness and originality both in form and content, and was rated outstanding in its field. WJR, Detroit, for its unusual Make Way for Youth show, drew second prize in the pop music category. The show, which was created by the sta-tion as part of an anti-delinquency drive, highlighted teen-age per-formers from local high schools. The show started as a local program and

formers from local high schools. The show started as a local program and was judged accordingly, altho it has since gone network. WMAQ, Chi-cago, received the third place award for two of its shows. One, the Art Van Damme Quintette, starred an ensemble which knows its way around hot arrangements of pop tunes, but was slowed down by an uneven script, patterned after the classic Chamber Music Society of Lower Basin Street. The other, Manor House Party, was more elabo-rate and featured tenor Skip Farrell with a sextet, a combination which alternated between excellent and just passable renditions.

Four in 50-Kw. **Pubservice** Tie

(Continued from page 6) problem; WBBM, Columbia station in Chicago, for another version of the same problem carried in its series titled Report Uncensored, and WCAU, Philadelphia, for distinguished all-round public service programing as represented by Career Forum, a notable instance of youth guidance; Cavalcade of American Politics, which acquaints voters with their po-litical heritages and sets the stage for litical heritages and sets the stage for the political conventions to be held in Philadelphia this year, and *Freedom Train*, a program accenting the ideals Train, a program accenting the ideals of democracy. The two second-place winners are WBZ's (Boston) It's Tough To Be Young, produced in co-operation with the Lowell Institute, and the entry of WTOP, Washington, tabbed The Undiscovered. The latter is a very courageous exposition on the subject of venereal disease, while the WBZ entry is an imaginative study of iuvenile problems, including study of juvenile problems, including

study of juvenile problems, including delinquency. The two stations tied for third are WCCO, Minneapolis, with its probing of racial discrimination, *Neither Free Nor Equal*, and WSM, Nashville, with *Freedom Train*, an exciting rededi-cation to American ideals.

CKEY'S 3 WINNERS

(Continued from page 6) sion. A third CKEY show, Hayloft Ho-Down, won another third in the folk and Western category of the music division. The only other Canadian station which received an award was CFRB, Toronto, with Wishart Campbell Presents. This took third in the 5,000 to 20,000-watt classical and semi-classical music division.

NAB Convensh On, Rail Strike or No

WASHINGTON, May 1. -National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) is planning to proceed with its annual convention at Los Angeles this month regardless of whether a nationwide railroad strike develops.

While it is expected that registration at the conclave will be hit if the impending rail tie-up takes place, the NAB figures that the effect will not be serious enough to require calling off the convention. Many delegates are planning to fly to L. A. A turn-out of around 1,500 is expected under normal conditions.

Meanwhile, the NAB has completed arrangements for speakers at convention discussion panels. Participants in the May 18 after-noon panel on "Broadcasting Horizons Unlimited" were named Horizons Unlimited" were named this week as follows: Edward Noble, chairman of the board of American Broadcasting Com-pany; Everett Dillard, president of FM Association and head of Washington FM in Washington and Continental (FM) Network, and Roger W. Clipp, general manager of WFIL, Philadelphia.

250-1,000 Watter Pubservs **Show Grass-Roots Awareness**

(Continued from page themselves and focusing attention on educational problems and school aceducational problems and school ac-tivities. Third place was awarded CKEY, Toronto, on the basis of two programs, Focus on '48 and How to be a Statistic, Too, and to WBNS, Columbus, O., for its John Doe Jr. The patter program is dedicated to the interests of the teen-ager—his thoughts, interests and aspirations; Focus considers aspects of modern literature, music, the theater and the sciences, and Statistic is a dramatized safety warning. safety warning.

safety warning. Honorable Mentions The wide range of public service program activity among low-wattage stations, however, cannot be ascer-tained only from winners. Honorable mentions were given to KLAC, Holly-wood, on the basis of its I Witness Death, a piece of reporting that dramatized traffic accidents and was designed to promote safety; KTUC, Tucson, for A Child Is Lost, detailing the work of the Arizona Society for Crippled Children; WHLI, Hemp-stead, L. I., for Operation Snafu, a punch-laden program pointing the way toward remedying faulty com-muting service on the Long Island Railroad. Railroad. Other programs, while failing to

an award or mention, win an award or mention, were solid public service productions illustrat-ing the variety of causes espoused by the stations. Examples are *The Lighthouse*, over WBNS, on inter-racial amity and democracy; You Be the Judge, a forum-type program considering local problems such as whether farm co-operatives should pay income taxes, and programs on local industrial expansion, education, delinquency, et al.

Production Varies

Production Varies Production on these different pro-grams varied, some of them exhibit-ing considerable polish and others showing lack of finesse. Most of them, by far, had the grass roots ap-proach—that sense of awareness of local problems. This quality was considered as outweighing in impor-tance the quality of production savvy. Prime example of this thought is ap-parent in the choice of KWWL's School of the Air as the second place winner. Done with student talent, the KWWL program doesn't sound as good as some of the non-winners, but it is undoubtedly better than it sounds inasmuch as its value as an educational device is unique. Some educational device is unique. Some of the lower power outlets, on the other hand, exhibited strictly big-time savvy in the putting together of a program. Some of these, too, for one reason or another were able for one reason or another were able to seize upon and handle capably subjects of more than local interest. An obvious example is WINX, whose treatment of the Congressional in-vestigations of Howard Hughes and Dr. Edward Condon, director of the Bureau of Standards, shape up as mature, seasoned radio broadcasting.

Actors Not Pros, NLRB Rules; Says WEEK in Interstate Biz

PEORIA, Ill., May 1.—The Na-tional Labor Relations Board Wednesday (28) decided that WEEK, Peoria Ill., is engaged in interstate commerce and, therefore being sub-ject to federal labor laws, must hold an election within 30 days to decide on whether the American Federation of Radio Artists should represent the station's employees. WEEK has been engaged in a labor dispute with the radio artists' union for several months.

months. The NLRB also found, on an em-ployer raised question, that an-nouncers, singers and continuity writers at the station are not to be purchase all the stock in the company.

classified as professionals within the meaning of the Taft-Hartley Law. This is another victory for the union, because a professional classification would mean that each individual group would have the right to vote as a unit. That right might split the AFRA shop at stations because the union would have to receive a major-AFRA shop at stations because the union would have to receive a major-ity vote of each professional group. WEEK is owned by the West Central Broadcasting Company, former Gov-ernor Kerr, of Oklahoma, being the chairman of the board. Kerr has also petitioned the Federal Communica-tions Commission for the right to purchase all the stock in the company.

Congress is an examination of the legislative branch via interviews with noted lawmakers,

Non-Commercial Field

Non-Commercial Field In the field of non-commercial sta-tions of the power category, a special award was given KUOM, Minneap-olis, for its University Reports to the People series. This is an educational station operated by the University of Minnesota, and the series was a spe-cial project in connection with Uni-versity of Minnesota Week. The series contains such disks as New Developcontains such disks as New Development in Mining, a report on Minne-sota's iron ore industry; A New Dairy Industry, a report on the rise of the dried milk industry in Minnesota, etc.

Two stations received honorable mention in this power category. They are KOMO, Seattle, for Youth Views are KOMO, Seattle, for Youth Views the News, a program showing Ameri-can youth at its best—articulate and thinking people; and WOWO, Fort Wayne, for A Child Stands Accused, a series probing the motivation of youthful crime and combating juve-nile delinquency.

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WNEW Top 5-20-Kw. Pubserver; **Execution of Social Idea Wins**

(Continued from page 6) for its amazing aptitude in the execu

for its amazing aptitude in the execu-tion of a number of recorded public service programs. The award reflects the station's imaginative program pioneering and its ability to carry out, productionwise, its program ideas. Mirroring this capacity are four series: 1. Little Songs About Big Sub-jects, a set of jingles wherein the Bill of Rights is set to music. This was dis-tributed to over 500 U. S. outlets. 2. The American Heritage, a dramatiza-tion of the incidents leading up to the tion of the incidents leading up to the formulation of the great American documents, such as the Declaration of Independence. 3. Primer for Parents, which presents new records and books issued for kids and evaluates them for parents. 4. The Spoken Word, which, via phonograph records, airs notable documents and classics in American letters.

WKY Is Second

the news staff, adds up to intelligent news handling. The station's second news handling. The station's second show, *Creed*, *Color and Co-Operation*, is a dignified program wherein Ken-neth Johnson points out trends to-ward increased racial amity in South-ern communities.

Four stations come under the wire Four stations come under the wire for third place. These are KOIN, Portland, Ore., with an entry entitled *Hell or High Water*, a documentary dramatizing for its farm audience the fact that agriculture, the resources of the land is the cornerstone of the the land, is the cornerstone of the country's economy; WOV, New York, whose American Family series is a painstaking analysis of the causes of -and remedies for-divorce; WMCA, New York, whose housing series, A Home To Live In, is credited with making available for housing a fund making available for housing a fund which had been created for that pur-pose but subsequently blocked, and WWJ, Detroit, on the basis of two programs: To Your Industrial Health and Meet Your Congress. Health, produced in co-operation with the health institute of the United Auto Workers, dramatize, occupational Wwy, Deroit, on the basis of two Norma City, on the basis of two programs, The Editors Speak and Creed, Color and Co-Operation. Edi-tors Speak, a digest of editorial opin-ion culled by Bruce Palmer, chief of The **Billhoard**

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Rupe Seeks Aid in War **On Phonies**

Circularizes Coast Diskers

HOLLYWOOD, May 1. — Letter written by Art Rupe, Specialty Rec-ords prexy, is being circularized among diskeries asking financial contributions for a concerted effort in cracking down on the record equator contributions for a concerted effort in cracking down on the record counter-feit ring. Firms currently sharing the burden of investigating the bogus platter makers are Aladdin, Black & White, Specialty and Alco Record Pressing Company. Both Savoy and National have reportedly indicated their interest in joining with the above-mentioned firms in the coun-terfeit hunt. Following is the text of Rupe's letter:

"Several manufacturers have de-cided that it's about time to join forces for the purpose of wiping out this counterfeiting and bootlegging of phonograph records. -We all have a common purpose. Your interest is the same as ours and you are prob-ably being hurt by this blight on the industry more than we are. Therefore since investigations, which we financed, have indicated that most of the illegal dubbing, copying of the labels, manufacture of the bogus disks themselves and shipment of the counterfeit records originate from out here on the West Coast, we feel it should logically be attacked from here. "Several manufacturers have dehere.

should logically be attacked from here. Accordingly, we have turned over all the evidence which we uncov-ered to the law firm of Pollock & Pollock of this city. They are most familiar and experienced in the phonograph record and music indus-tries and will represent all of us in getting action from the City of Los Angeles, the State of California and the federal government. We feel that it is to your best in-terest to contribute to this plan for militant action. If you require fur-ther details we will be happy to supply them. But in the meantime please forward us your check for \$250 as your part of the investiga-tion, legal fees and expenses. An accounting will be made of all moneys spent and any unused portion will be returned. Please wire your intentions or call me immediately. Yours very sincerely, (Signed) ART RUPE.

Yours very sincerely, (Signed) ART RUPE, Specialty Records.

Manning Out, Decca Pares On

NEW YORK, May 1.-Ed Manning, advertising director of Decca Records, has departed from the diskery, achas departed from the diskery, ac-cording to late week reports which suggest that additional main-office personnel changes are brewing as the diskery goes ahead cutting down overhead because of the decrease in volume biz. Manning will be re-placed by his former assistant, Les Krugman.

Additional Decca departures are understood to include a member of the legal staff in addition to a few office workers in the home office and distributing headquarters.

How To Detect the Phonies

BEWARE THE BOGUS BISCUIT!

HOLLYWOOD, May 1.—Coast recorders, upon whom the Western counterfeit recording ring has been levying a heavy toll, have discovered a number of discrepancies between the bogus disks and originals

discovered a number of discrepancies between the bogus disks and originals. Audible differences, it is reported, include undue surface noise and loss of frequency highs resulting from re-recording. Visual discrepancies common to most bogus copies include different-patterned lead-in grooves, as in the case of Specialty's *Temperaneous Boogie*. In this case it is also noted that the original was cut 88 grooves to the inch, while the counterfeit is cut 120 to the inch. Errors in the counterfeit of Black & White's I Want a Little Girl are also reported. B&W's disks carry the matrix number to the right of the label, while the fraudulent copy uses the dot system in place of numbers, the dots appearing above the label in the center. Differences in eccentric pattern are also noted. In the case of Jewel's Why Must I Adore You? the matrix number appears at the upper right of the label, whereas the bogus platter uses the dot system in the center at the label's left. The counterfeit of Savoy's Thirty-Five Thirty can be easily detected in that the copied label has a washed-out appearance. It is also noted that a feeble attempt has been made to duplicate the matrix number and that the bogus copy has a different eccentric pattern. Counterfeits of Score's (Aladdin) Milky White Way are markedly different because of the wide eccentric they carry. It is also noted that the matrix number on the bogus copy, located at the upper left of the label, is blurred, while the original's number is sharply defined and located at the lower left. located at the lower left.

"Sabre Dance" Ruling Seen As Working for Both Sides NEW YORK, May 1.—The long-awaited judicial decision on the Sabre Dance injunction suit, filed weeks back by Leeds Music against the United Music pubbery, appears to have reaped a tentative victory for both sides. Word received here at press time

for both sides. Word received here at press time indicates that New York Supreme Court Justice Valenti denied the Leeds request for an injunction but mitigated the rejection by granting the plaintiff an immediate trial. The Lou Levy firm has charged unfair trade practices in the publication of *Sabre Dance* copies by Juggy Gayles, of United. The court's decision, how-ever, permits Gayles to continue to sell his copies and collect revenues until a trial verdict is reached. until a trial verdict is reached.

Gayles had won a point but Leeds had not lost one, it seemed, since the immediate-trial grant means that the Case must be tried before the end of the current court session in June. As it stands, United Music has sold Sabre Dance copies for almost eight weeks and the question of a dent in Leeds's income has become academic.

Altho details of the judge's opinion Altho details of the judge's opinion were not available at press time, trade observers here pointed out that a hot potato may have been passed on. Ordinary injunction proceedings usually are decided in much swifter order than the Leeds claim. And the fact that Leeds's suit (altho based on unfair compatish charges) may inon unfair competish charges) may in-volve a ticklish international question may have had some bearing.

Sabre Dance was authored by Rus-Sabre Dance was authored by Rus-sian composer Aram Khachaturian and published by Leeds here under an agreement with the Am-Russ Agency in U. S. (with which Leeds has a contract covering compositions by such Russian composers as Khachaturian, Shostakovitch, Proko-vief, etc). In the absence of a recip-rocal trade treaty between Russia and the U. S., the contention of many music men here has been that Rusmusic men here has been that Rus-sian works fall into the public domain in the country. Technically, in the *Sabre Dance* suit, the court may not be obliged to rule on the copyright question, but some legalists have felt that it would be impossible to

separate the international issue from Leeds's injunction charges that Unit-ed has unfairly capitalized on Levy's investment in Russian catalog. Some lawyers are looking to the court trial possibly to throw more judicial light on the whole status of Russian copy-wights in this country.

rights in this country. Leeds is legally represented by Mil-ler & Miller, while United's defense was prepared by Herman Goldfarb, of Goldfarb, Mirenburg & Vallon in association with Mark A. Bogart.

Payola Charge Up for Airing

NEW YORK, May 1.—Music Pub-lishers' Contact Employees (MPCE) has notified pubber Saul Bornstein and plugger Teddy Black to appear before the union's board Monday (3) to answer charges of payola practices.

The charges reportedly developed after Black, who was let out of the Bornstein pub set-up last week, com-plained to MPCE that Bornstein owed him money. On instructions from Bornstein, Black purportedly had made an arrangement for a few dif-ferent bands for which he allegedly was to receive payment from the publisher.

Bornstein, or a representative, and Black are expected to make a general denial of the charges at the hearing on Monday.

De Luxe Assets

NEW YORK, May 1.-In reporting the filing for reorganization by De Luxe Records Company last week, Luxe Records Company last week, The Billboard inadvertently fouled up. An unfortunate typographical error came along, as it does, just in the wrong place. The reported assets posted by De Luxe should have read \$120,000, not \$12,000 as originally printed. Our apologies to De Luxe for any grief caused by the typesetter's transaressions. transgressions.

FBI Contacted In Drive on **Phony Disks**

Fox Also Consulted

NEW YORK, May 1.—Local diskers' in their drive to wipe out counter-feit wax producers, have contacted the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) offices in Newark N. J., and New York via a representative ap-pointed at the early week meeting of the Savoy, De Luxe and National waxery execs. De Luxe execs pre-sented the FBI with all of the diskers' accrued evidence on the counterfeit tallow and have asked for local inves-tigations to combine with activity in the matter on the West Coast. The diskers also contacted Harry Fox, agent for the Music Publishers' Protective Association (MPPA), to discuss the counterfeit matter from the publisher point of view. Fox advised that he would launch civil action on behalf of the pubbers against any counterfeiter who is picked up in the course of investi-gation. The diskers already have made it clear that they would launch criminal actions against any phony wax makers.

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Burnham Gets McCarthy's **Showbiz Plum**

Deal for Texas Center

NEW YORK, May 1.—Ex-William Morris booker Bill Burnham, who recently stepped into the music-talent buyer's job with the Realty Hotel chain, this week copped another choice showbiz purchasing plum. Burnham signed an agreement to serve as buyer and director of musi-cal entertainment for McCarthy En-terprises, biz operation of the Texas oil tycoon and multi-millionaire Glen McCarthy. McCarthy.

McCarthy. The coveted part of the deal is that McCarthy now is building an \$18,-000,000 McCarthy Center—fabulous hotel-radio-tele station project lo-cated in Houston. The hotel, to be called the Shamrock, will be designed along lines of the Waldorf-Astoria here and will house four or five rooms in which music and acts will be employed. Hotel grounds will also locate for radio-tele beaming. According to present plan, the Mc-

According to present plan, the Mc-Carthy Center, when completed be-tween October 15 and November 1, should become the biggest individual talent-buying operation south of the Mason-Dixon line and may easily prove to be one of the top showbiz showcases in the country.

showcases in the country. Burnham's new duties will be added to his other buying chores. Currently he holds hiring reins for the Biltmore, Park Lane and Barclay hotels here, the Edgewater Beach in Chicago, the Wardman Park and Carlton in Washington and Brighton Beach Baths in Brooklyn.

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Col'bia Aims For Collectors' Market Biz

· Revives American Catalog

NEW YORK, May 1.—Columbia Records is gunning for the collec-tors' market by exhuming the old American Record Corporation cata-log, the original purchase of which in the mid-'30s launched the Colum-bia firm in the disk biz.

Pressing from American masters will be made for a new series to be tabbed Special Editions, consisting tabbed Special Editions, consisting mainly of hot jazz and name person-ality items made in the '20s and early '30s. Waxings will retail at \$1 each, and will include samplings by Russ Columbo, Al Jolson, Helen Morgan, Johnny Mercer, Hoagy Carmichael, Louis Prima, the Mills Brothers, Teddy Wilson, Bunny Berigan, Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington, Chick Webb and a number of others.

Orders of 4 a Month

Orders of 4 a Month Special Editions will be released at the rate of four platters a month. A special ordering system will be used. Retailers will be restricted to one order a month, and disks will be shipped fully insured, c. o. d. Mini-mum orders of 10 per record will be required, at a cost to the dealer of 60 cents each. Under this modus operandi the diskery will press only the number of records ordered, and will not foot the usual breakage and returns allowance of 5 per cent. George Avakian, Columbia's col-

returns allowance of 5 per cent. George Avakian, Columbia's col-lector specialist, is heading the Special Editions operation. Columbia has essayed similar ventures in the past, marketing collectors' disks un-der the heading of an archive series, and many of the American catalog's jazz items in its hot jazz classics album series album series.

First releases of the new series will be made in May, and will include a previously unissued Columbo re-cord, Too Beautiful for Words and I See Two Lovers.

Edwards Plans Countersuit Vs. Biltmore on 'True'

NEW YORK, May 1.—The Ed-wards Music firm said this week that a countersuit will be leveled against Biltmore Music, publisher of You Can't Be True, Dear, alleging un-fair trade practices. Biltmore's Dave Dreyer, says Edwards, has attempted to intimidate music dealers by write Dreyer, says Edwards, has attempted to intimidate music dealers by writ-ing them letters threatening suit should they carry Edwards' tune titled You Can't Be True. This came after Biltmore filed suit last week against Edwards for alleged copy-right infringement.

Both the Edwards and the Biltmore ditties stem from the old German waltz tune, Du Kannst Nicht Treu Sein. Biltmore holds prior exclusive rights on any new arrangement of the ditty from the Alien Property Custodian for a six-month period expiring September 2; Edwards was granted a license March 19 to repro-duce the original music and write

Reciprocity

NEW YORK, May 1.—For the convenience of tradesters The Billboard below briefly explains the various reciprocal deals cur-rently existing between Ameri-

rently existing between Ameri-can and English diskers: Electric Musical Industries (EMI) maintains the widest biz connections here via its five subsidiary diskeries—(1) Gram-ophone Company, Ltd. (which produces the HMV label), co-operates with RCA Victor in an exclusive reciprocal masters deal; (2) Columbia Gramophone Company has a similar tie-up deal; (2) Columbia Gramophone Company has a similar tie-up with Columbia Records over here; (3) English MGM label (created to handle American MGM disks) is recording in England and these masters are available to the diskery here: (4) Parlophone Record Com-pany's disks and masters are ac-cessible to American Decca unpany's disks and masters are ac-cessible to American Decca un-der an agreement of several years' standing thru which Par-lophone has access to American Decca wax for the entire world except England and the United States and (5) Regal-Zonophone, a two-shilling label which has cean limited use since the beseen limited use since the be-ginning of the war but is still active.

Other Deals

EMI also has deals with Mu-sicraft and the Irving Mills Royal Record Company (which represents a number of small American diskers) thru which the British outlet receives mas-ters for world-wide pressing

American diskers) thru which the British outlet receives mas-ters for world-wide pressing and distribution. No reciprocity has been worked out yet, but it is believed that Musicraft may soon work out a deal for certain of the EMI masters. English Decca, the other ma-jor disk group in England, has a deal with American Decca to press and distribute latter's disks in England under the Brunswick label. In return American Decca has access to the British diskery's longhair line for importation and distri-bution in the United States with its deal for the firm's pop line now expired. The English firm's pop line is made avail-able in the U. S. via the re-cently formed London firm. English Decca also has a working agreement with Mer-cury records to press and dis-tribute the diskery's American-made classical line which it in-

cury records to press and dis-tribute the diskery's American-made classical line which it in-herited from the Keynote disk-ery when the latter was ab-sorbed by Mercury. No reci-procity exists between these labels as yet. Mercury has a royalty deal with the Czech gov-ernment for pressing and dis-tributing the Czech wax indus-try's longhair, folk and jazz out-put in the U. S.

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new lyrics if desired. As reported in last week's *Bill-*board, Dreyer contends that Ed-wards did not adhere to the original music, using a new intro and re-locating the verse and chorus. Bilt-more filed in Federal Court for an in-junction to stop Edwards from pub-bing *True*, plus damages. Edwards emphatically denies that

Edwards emphatically denies that it has infringed on Biltmore's rights to You Can't Be True, Dear, claiming that its version of the tune is an exact

Petrillo's Ban on Waxing Brings Flood of Imports, Leaves AFM in Dilemma

Yank and English Diskeries in Reciprocal Deals

(Continued from page 3) serve employment for American mu-sickers, has enabled English and continental labels to scoop bigger dips of the American disk buying gravy. In turn, the overseas artist hopes to wallow in the returns of wax ex-ploitation heretofore curtailed by the simple fact that American mechanical companies had no need for him.

EMI Upsurge

Most significant development on top of the long-established London Recof the long-established London Rec-ords splurge in American wax chan-nels is the upsurge of new disk pro-duce obtained from the Electric Mu-sical Industries (EMI) in England, largest of the British platter com-panies. Only other major British firm is E. R. Lewis' English Decca which owns and operates the London Becords venture in America Records venture in America. EMI spokesmen (such as Wally

Moody, artists and repertoire director Moody, artists and repertoire director for the company who is now in this country) carefully claim that EMI is making available to American firms only those masters which would ordinarily be proferred thru long-established reciprocal agreements with American firms. No direct evasion of the Petrillo ban thru de-liberate coverage of American new hit tunes is intended, they claim. Nonetheless, the rising rate of Eng-lish "master" deals indicate that American firms are counting on over-seas co-operation in combating the ban. ban.

"Tree in the Meadow"

"Tree in the Meadow" Reflecting the gathering "usage" of English wax and talent is the forth-coming Shapiro-Bernstein plug tune, *Tree in the Meadow*. Actually S-B is acting as sole selling agent for the ditty published by Campbell Con-nelly, Inc. It must be pointed out fairly, too, that the tune was a 16-week best-seller in England with "a plug" in this country representing an ordinary reciprocal development. However, where in pre-ban days such English tune-exchanges would have brought on American diskeries "cov-erage" thru their own resources, something new has been added. Out-side of Decca, every major label in this country will be releasing *Tree*, all with British-imported "masters" and artists. Decca cut the ditty pre-ban with Monica Lewis. Other com-panies line up as follows. Columbia is set to put out the Billy Reid-Doro-thy Squires disk sent over by EMI. A Joe Loss disk (the English maes-tro's *Manana* and *Teresa* are being distributed here currently by Victor) is set for the RCA label here. MGM has the Paul Feneley ork platter on tap. London here is using the Sam Browne version with another tenta-tively due by Cyril Stapleton. Mean-Reflecting the gathering "usage" of tap. London here is using the Sam Browne version with another tenta-tively due by Cyril Stapleton. Mean-while, two other platters in the EMI store (the Bill Johnson-Monte Rey side and a Geraldo orchestra ver-sion) may be made available to Capi-tal Musicanoft etc. tol, Musicraft, etc.

EMI master-servicing to U. S. companies can be expected to mush-room during, and possibly after, the ban. Sir Ernest Fisk's vast disking-group has some home problems to

face, it is understood here. EMI talent has eyed the London Records in-vasion here jealously; E. R. Lewis's gathering American dollar power has developed competitive interest, and EMI itself is seen as being quite anxious to expand its own business potential in the American markets on a normal long-term basis.

"Shoemaker Serenade"

The EMI foothold, thanks to the ban, has not been confined to *Tree* in the Meadow. Currently, Columbia in the Meadow. Currently, Columbia Records has completed negotiations to release the EMI-made radio re-veler version of Shoemaker Serenade, British hit published in this country by Jack Robbins. At the same time a full batch of standard disks etched by Peter Yorke will be brought over to supplement Columbia's standard catalog. Meanwhile, EMI deals to service the Musicraft Company here with platters will be implemented shortly, it is reported. Along with the EMI stakes in the "foreign masters" game, the parade of American firms into outside-USA recording fields has stepped along

recording fields has stepped along merrily. Not only has Jerry King's Standard Transcriptions Company openly announced intentions to record in Mexico, as have a host of small record firms on the Coast, but they have declared intentions to use Mex-ican recording studios and talent.

Overseas Treks

Meanwhile on a larger scale such companies as Mercury and Signature have trekked to overseas recording have trekked to overseas recording studios to maintain their instrumental coverage of "hits" despite Petrillo. Mercury is known to have recently completed a series of recording ses-sions abroad which consisted of mu-sical backgrounds for new pops, in-cluding the soaring *Nature Boy* tune. These have been brought back to America where vocal dub-ins will be made with Mercury's own artists. made with Mercury's own artists.

The Signature firm has one of its own record artists, singing song-writer Hugh Martin, recording for the Victory label in France. Much of Martin's etchings consist of new American pop-song material which will be made available to Signature

High School *Tootlers* Heard **On Dana Disk**

NEW YORK, May 1.—Dick Charles is one songwriter who believes in di-rect action, the Petrillo ban notwith-standing. Charles took matters into his own hands by recording his own tune, Man on the Carousel (published by Bob Miller) in his own living room, using a bunch of high school musicians—strictly non-union. He then sold the master to Walt Dana, of Dana Records, who promptly pro-ceeded to press.

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PETRILLO CRACKS A CAPPELLAS

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Waxings by **AFM Members**

"Nature" Starts Fireworks

By Alan Fischler

By Alan Fischer HOLLYWOOD, May 1.—American Federation of Musicians' (AFM) prexy, James C. Petrillo, cracked down on a cappella waxings by ban-ning further vocal arranging or con-ducting work by AFM card holders, it was learned this week. Word was passed down thru the locals warning AFM members that future woral disk-AFM members that future vocal disk-ings would place them in scab category and jeopardize union member-ship. Move was held highly signifi-cant in the trade, in view of the fact that Petrillo thus reversed a previous nod given individual members who asked his okay to do a cappella waxings.

ings. Behind the Petrillo turn-about is said to be the Nature Boy waxing by Frank Sinatra for Columbia Rec-ords, with Jeff Alexander's choir providing background music. Ac-cording to Local 47 sources, Alexan-der asked for permission to arrange and conduct the vocal background for disking without identifying the session. Petrillo okayed the date un-der the impression that the cutting was to be so-called "non-competi-tive" disking, i.e., religious or choral sides. When the AFM chieftain heard the finished etching and dis-covered the date was with Sinatra, he immediately wired Alexander and withdrew his previous blessings.

he immediately wired Alexander and withdrew his previous blessings. Tradesters close to AFM sources discounted official union explana-tion that Petrillo had okayed a cap-pella diskings in error. General be-lief was that the quality of the few a cappella waxings attempted since the ban has been good enough to worry the union chief. It was held that if present disking quality is sustained unchecked, volume of a cappella etchings would mount to such an extent that entire effective-ness of the ban would be voided. Sales ness of the ban would be voided. Sales of a cappella sides in retail stores are reportedly mounting, giving AFM additional headaches.

Another interesting sidelight in the a cappella picture is Bing Crosby's recent cancellation of a Decca date, a cappend predict is unip of a Decca date, also on Nature Boy. Here again the Alexander choral group was to pro-vide backing with the understanding that AFM would okay the session so long as vocalizers did not attempt to imitate sounds of instruments. Crosby asked for Petrillo's personal okay prior to the date, didn't hear from musicians' topper, and subsequently canceled the session. Der Bingle, it is understood, didn't want to go against the AFM head in view of Pe-trillo's co-operation in permitting Crosby to continue transcribing his Philco air show after the ban went into effect. into effect.

Local 47 execs took the view that vocal groups who cut sessions during life of the ban are in effect cutting the throats of recording musicians. If chorus arrangers, conductors or members happen to hold AFM cards, it would be an easy matter to dis-cipline violators. The door is open, however, to continued waxing of non-union choral groups, a move the union is helpless to prevent.

Nixes Vocal AFM, Nets Reach Tootler-TV Ban - Skirting Interim-Pay Rate Arrangement Rush Centers

NEW YORK, May 1.—James C. Petrillo, American Federation of Musicians' (AFM) prexy, and the representatives of network broad-casters this week revealed the final details of the interim-pay rate ar-rangements for the use of musicians on teluvision on television.

The agreement will be in effect for a six-month period beginning to-day (1) instead of the previously an-nounced three-month period, and will be reconsidered in October to cover developments in video between now and then.

The agreement, which has been re-ported in *The Billboard* in part in the past few issues, states that AM tootlers may be used on tele shows to fill out unworked AM hours at the regular AM radio scales. Video staff-men may be assigned to AM work but they must be paid the pro-rated dif-ference for each day of AM work.

Rate Arrangements Rates agreed to are as follows: Local tele rates will be two-thirds of the applicable major station local AM rates, both on a weekly and single

Towers of London Follows 'Near You' With 'Sabre Dance'

NEW YORK, May 1 .-- Towers of London, independent British diskery which recently completed a deal to distrib the Bullet disking of *Near You* in England, this week bought You in England, this week bought the English pressing rights to Signa-ture Records' waxing of Sabre Dance (backed by Minuet in G) as con-ducted by Ray Bloch. Towers is rep-resented in this country by Oliver Nichol, at one time associated with the now defunct Cosmo Records. The English firm also made a deal for Rainbow Records' disking of Jungle Fantasy by Esy Morales.

The Bullet recording of Francis Craig's *Near* You currently is enjoy-ing a best selling spot on the English market. It was released on the Brunswick label (controlled by English Decca) under arrangements set by Harry Towers, who runs the Towers of London outfit for Decca.

Raeburn Inks 6-Wk.

Commodore Deal

NEW YORK, May 1.-Boyd Rae-

NEW YORK, May I.—Boyd Rae-burn's newly reorganized ork this week landed a six-week engagement at the Century Room of the Hotel Commodore here, beginning May 18. Raeburn will follow the Woody Her-man ork, now completing the second week of a four-week stretch. Rae-burn is booked by Willard Alexander, who is also music director for the

who is also music director for the

Summer plans for the Century Room still are not decided, accord-ing to Alexander. The room is mull-ing the possibility of putting in a concert ork for dinner for the sum-

mer trade and closing down for sup-

Hotel Commodore.

per hours.

engagement performance basis. Net-work video rates will be three-fourths of the applicable radio rates in each case. In the event of AMtele duplication, allowed under terms of the agreement, the tootlers will receive in addition to the applicable AM rate, \$7.50 for each sponsored show and \$3.75 for each sustaining show. Tootlers called in for costuming or make-up will receive an addi-tional \$3 for this service. Auditions tional \$3 for this service. Auditions will be paid at the comparable local AM audition rate. No wage will be paid to musickers who show on re-mote video pick-ups where music is incidental (such as sporting events, parades, conventions, etc.).

Broadcasters and the union are continuing discussions to determine the uses of film in video. The agreement specifies that filmed programs may be made at regular telecast rates but can be used for no more than a single playing over any station which was affiliated with the tele network at the time of the making of the film. Filmed shows may also be made for file purposes.

Mills Obtains Czech Catalog

NEW YORK, May 1.-Jack Mills, of Mills Music, has obtained the American rights to the catalog of R. A. Dvorsky, one of Czechoslo-vakia's largest music pubberies, the Mills office announced today.

The catalog includes some 500 compositions, many of them written and recorded by Dvorsky for the Ultra-phone and Esta labels. Dvorsky, who bills himself as the "Paul Whiteman of Europe," reportedly owns the Esta firm. The rest of the book consists of pops, instrumentals, piano pieces and some swing a la Czech. Some of the works of Jaromir Vejooda, penner of Beer Barrel Polka, are represented (Beer Barrel is not in the deal). The Dvorsky catalog has been published on the Continent and in England.

The Mills deal holds extra interest to American publishers because it demonstrates that such arrangements can still be negotiated between this country and eastern European na-tions, despite complications afforded by the Soviet Union nationalization of many industries in those areas.

AMPAS Distribs Ballots

AMPAS Distribs Ballots HOLLYWOOD, May 1.—Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences will distribute today (Saturday) bal-lots to its members to elect 10 new members to its board of governors, representing a c a d e m y's various branches. Nominees for the music classification are: Leo Robin, Harry Warren, Ned Washington, Meredith Willson, Victor Young; public rela-tions: George Brown, Alex Evelove, William Hebert, Lou Smith, Gabe York; short subjects: George Bilson, Will Cowan, Jerry Fairbanks, Walter Lantz, Harry Poppe, Edward Selzer, Ralph Staub; sound: Philip E. Bri-gandi, Kenneth Lambert, John Liva-dary, Gordon Sawyer; writers: Valen-tine Davies, Emmet Lavery, Mary C. McCall Jr., Seton I. Miller, Jane Mur-fin, George Seaton, Sidney Sheldon.

On "Leaves"

Cut a Cappella Disks

NEW YORK, May 1.—New record-ing and ban-skirting "master" buys maintained a lively pace this week with the center of a cappella action revolving around the tune *Tea Leaves*. Decca, Capitol and Signa-ture cut new renditions of the song, while Columbia bought the original *Tea Leaves* waxing issued by the Algene diskery of Philadelphia. Emil Cote's Serenaders are featured on the Algene platter which created the initial stir in the Philly area and drew attention to the song. Decca held its third a cappella ses-

Decca held its third a cappella ses-sion yesterday (30) to cover the Tea Leaves ditty, with Ella Fitzgerald chirping against backgrounds by the Song Spinners. Included in the date was the My Happiness "sleeper" which has been attracting sales via the Jon and Sondra Steele Damon waxing. The pairing is set for an immediate special release.

Capitol Uses Smith Capitol Iran off its second Jack Smith ban date last week for the Leaves tune. Smith, as on the date which produced Heartbreaker and Baby Face, was aided by the Clark Sisters, a vocal group and harmoni-cas. For the disk's backing, Smith cut Highways Are Happyways When They Lead to Home Sweet Home They Lead to Home Sweet Home.

They Lead to Home Sweet Home. Signature held one date this week with Alan Dale (accompanied by vocal and harmonica groups) cutting four sides including Leaves. The diskery has two more dates set for next week, with Dale skedded for one and a vocal quartet skedded for the other. One of the tunes due for waxing is Time Out for Tears. MGM Records got into the new records act last week when it ac-quired an alleged pre-ban master of Toolie Oolie Doolie from Roy Horton, brother of Vaughn Horton who co-authored and recorded the tune originally for Continental. Disk will be put out in a special release, which also will include recently acquired masters of Fiddle Faddle and the English made Tree in the Meadow by the Paul Feneley (formerly Fe-noublet) ork. noublet) ork.

Allah Gators!

NEW YORK, May 1.—The Moslems have taken over bop! In Harlem, a group of bop spe-cialists known as The Messen-

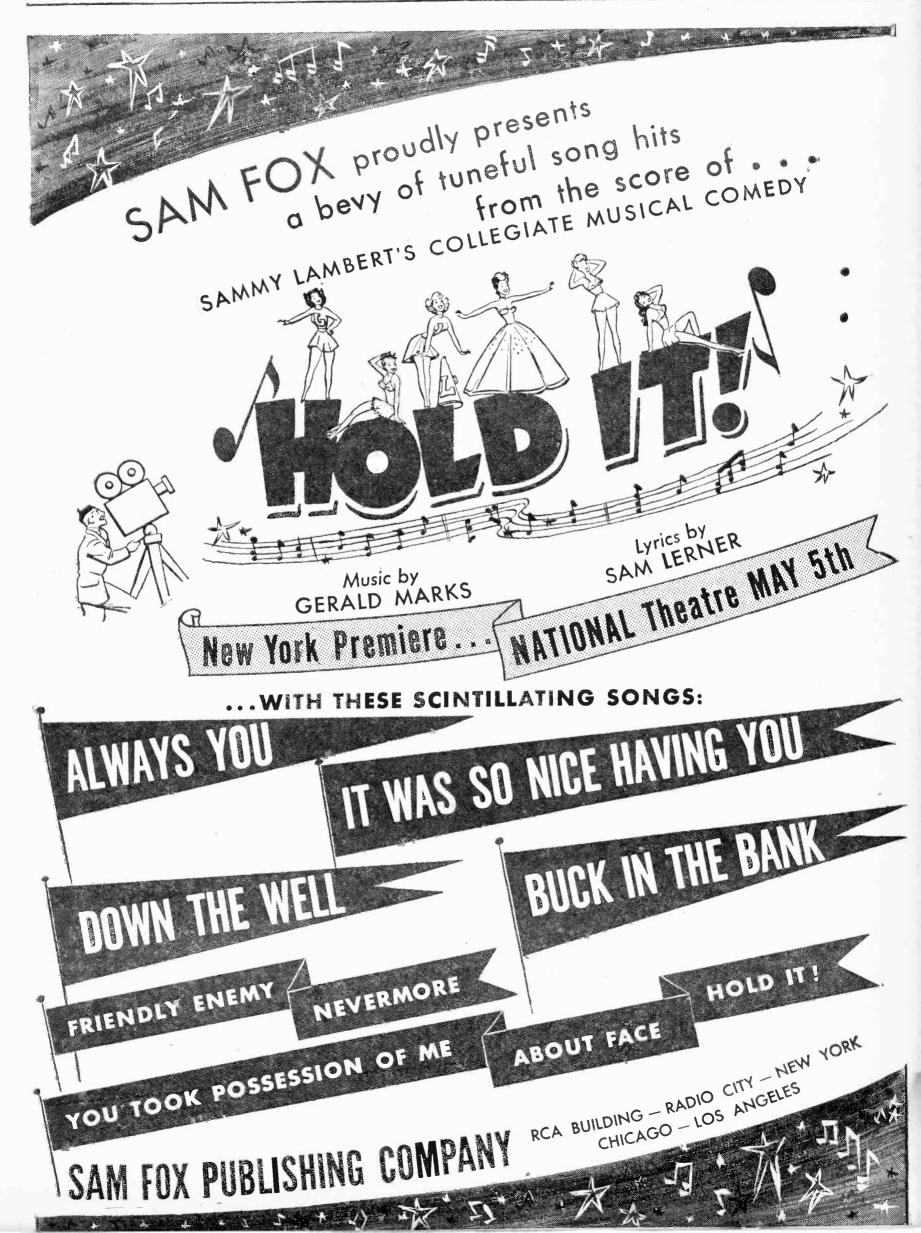
gers have turned Mohammedan. In dead earnest, both as to their religion and their music, they wear turbans on and off the stand, play in the prescribed Moslem fashion and read the

Moslem fashion and read the Koran faithfully. They've even adopted Moslem names. Walter Bishop, pianist of the group, has changed his name to Ibrahim Ibn Ismail. Art Blakey, the drummer, is now

Art Blakey, the drummer, is now Abdullah Buhaina. On an ultra-bop kick the bunch has a brace of sides cut for Blue Note, to be released soon. These include Musa's Vi-sion and The Thin Man.

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Universal Pulls Selvin, "You Darlin'," Says A Sleeper With "Hearts Win"

NEW YORK, May 1.—Out of the home of the bean and the cod comes the newest of disk "sleepers." Up in Boston an oldie, *Hearts Win*, You Lose, broke out some weeks ago on the small Back Bay disk label. Fea-turing a trio waxing in Gay '90s piano-roll vogue, the disk offered a new lyric supplied by one Jack Clifford.

With sales of the disk in three weeks topping 25,000 copies, various larger labels reached out for the Bos-ton plum, with Bill Putnam's Uni-versal diskery coming up with the original master on a pressing-dis-tribution deal with Back Bay.

Background of the Hearts song reveals that the ditty is a pre-1909 affair which presumably clears it temporarily from the liability of me-chanical royalties. The original song was penned by one Andrew B. Sterwas penned by one Andrew B. Ster-ling and was copyrighted by Leo Feist in 1903. At press time info had it that no renewal rights had been se-cured on the tune, which may ex-plain Clifford's new lyric adaptation and the fact that he is publishing the ditty with a February, 1948, copy-right. ditty right.

De Luxe Version

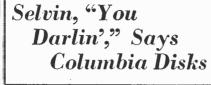
De Luxe Version The saga of the Boston sleeper doesn't end here. By a remarkable "coincidence" allegedly, De Luxe diskery in New Jersey has come out with its own *Hearts Win*, You Lose version. The coincidence being what it is, De Luxe's platter features a trio, with two pianos combining to achieve with two pianos combining to achieve the same piano-roll effect as the Back Bay disking. According to Dave Braun, De Luxe prexy, the diskery owned an instrumental master of the tune for some time, and when the fuss started in Boston the waxery had warbler Bruce Hayes dub in a vocal. harden by the Petty trio. Braun stated that he had applied for a license to the Leo Feist Company and learned that it was a pre-1909 copyright with the orden by the Petty trio. no renewal recorded by the pub. De Luxe then applied and obtained a release from the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), he asserted, knowing noth-ing of the Clifford copyright claim.

Putnam in Chicago, however, claims it would have been impossible for any company to "just happen" to have an old master of *Hearts Win* made before the ban, especially with an arrangement so similar to the Back Bay record. The latter platter, he claims, was made pre-ban but created absolutely no attention un-til long after Petrillo's edict was announced.

BUS, PLANE ONLY HOPE

(Continued from page 3) does not apply to rail disputes, a De-partment of Justice spokesman explained.

All rail union matters, according to All rail union matters, according to the Justice Department, come under the Railway Labor Act, which pro-vides for arbitration thru the Na-tional Railway Mediation Board, as well as a waiting period before strike-call. The union has complied with these requirements. President Tru-man said at his regular news confer-ence this week that he still hoped the strike could be averted by media-tion. tion.



BALTIMORE, May 1.—What may prove to be one of the best sleepers in months was uncovered recently by Marvin Ellin, leading disk jockey at WCAO here.

Moving to new studios a short time ago, Ellin dug deep in the files and came across a Columbia platter made some 20 years ago: You Darlin' some 20 years ago: You Darlin' backed by Kiss Me With Your Eyes by Ben Selvin and his orchestra. Sel-vin now heads the popular artists bureau of the Columbia diskery. Ellin threw in the platter on a show

as a novelty and the results have been astounding. He has the only copy that has been found around up to this time, and all of the local spin-ners are clamoring for copies. The station has been besieged by phone calls and several hundred letters are from both local and out-of-State listeners in Delaware and Pennsylvania.

Tune is a bouncy Weems-style fox trot, and thanks to Ellins, persistent plugging may push Selvin into a Francis Craig role.

NEW YORK, May 1.-According to Manie Sacks, veepee and artists and repertoire director of Columbia Records, tests are being pulled of the Selvin platter, You Darlin' and Kiss Me With Your Eyes. If they prove satisfactory, they will be ear-marked for general release.

Famous Grabs "Blossoms" in **Sleeper Race**

NEW YORK, May 1 .--- And still an-other "sleeper!" A ditty called When the Apple Blossoms Fall (disk activity stirred by the Tempo and Skating Rhythms small-label versions) developed a fast-flying publisher race this week, with Famous-Paramount pubbery winding up with the coveted copyright.

The Blossoms hubbub started when word leaked out of sheet music jobber offices this week that heavy calls were coming in for a little-known ditty. Investigation uncovered the Tempo and Skating Rhythms platters, with the owners of the tune said to be two women in Toledo. Famous-Paramount reputedly reached the ladies first and came home with the bacon.

The appeal of the Skating Rhythms and Tempo instrumental platters (the former cut by organ and the latter as an organ-novachord duet by Herb as an organ-novachord duet by Herb Kern and Lloyd Sloop) is seen as likened to the original Rondo label disking of You Can't Be True, Dear. Evidently deciding to cover them-selves with a vocal should other labels hop on the bandwagon, Tempo is releasing a second version of Blos-soms, done by Chirp Anita Boyer, with harmonica background.

Jeepers...All Those Sleepers McGreevy-Howard New Distrib Firm

CHICAGO, May 1 .--- Remco, Inc., a new distributing org handling records, phonographs and radio and television appliances, has been formed here by two well-known music industry execs, Raymond E. McGreevy and R. R. Howard. McGreevy, who was chief executive for Chicago Ma-jestic, distributing branch of Majestic Record & Television Corporation, will be president of the new com-pany, which will occupy the five-story building here sold by Majestic as part of its recent reorganization procedure. Before joining Majestic McGreevy was head of the Zenith Distributing Corporation.

Distributing Corporation. Howard, vice-president and treas-urer of Remco, formerly was presi-dent of RCA Distributing Corporation and after that vice-president and general manager of Capitol Records. More recently he was president of Allied Service & Engineering, Inc. Under terms of its organization, Remco will handle products formerly

Remco will handle products formerly represented by Chicago Majestic and Allied.

Ahlert Named ASCAP Prexy Officially

Rest of Slate Repeats

NEW YORK, May 1.—As per music biz expectations, the board of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) named Fred E. Ahlert prexy of the Society last Thursday (29). Ahlert, the fourth president in ASCAP's 34 years, replaces Deems Taylor, who held the post since 1941. The rest of the slate were repeats.

The rest of the slate were repeats. Gus Schirmer and Oscar Hammer-stein were renamed veepees. George W. Meyer continued as secretary, Louis Bernstein as treasurer, Donald Gray as assistant secretary and Frank Connor as assistant treasurer.

Ahlert, 56, is a native New Yorker and a CCNY grad. After several years at Fordham law, he left school to enter the music biz, beginning as arranger for vocal and ork groups. arranger for vocal and ork groups. Holder of the top double-a classifica-tion, he cleffed the score of Marion Davies' first talkie, Marianne. Among his compositions are I'll Get By, Mean to Me, I Don't Know Why; Love, You Funny Thing; The Moon Was Yellow, I'm Gonna Sit Right Down and Write Myself a Letter, Sing an Old Engligend Sourg Blue of the an Old Fashioned Song, Blue of the Night and many other top hits.

tribution handled nationally by dis-tributing outfits. To date, Miller has of Grimm's Fairy Tales. Altho new with his own label, Miller is not unknown to the tot tallow field, having pressed the Musette seven-inchers for the past two years at his Long Island City plant. Musette, in addition to seven-inch biscuits, has been putting out a five-incher which retails for a

quarter. Rounding out the week's kiddie-platter activity is the announced joint-marketing operation undertaken by Vox and Paul Puner's Allegro firm. Allegro is using the Vox sales force in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles to push both its classical and briddy platters in key market areas

Kidisk Boom Soars Away, With New Pressing Plants And Reductions in Prices

Sun Plastics Plunges Into 7-Inch Field

(Continued from page 3) now negotiating with various labels to press their catalogs.

\$1 10-Inch Vinylites

\$1 10-Inch Vinylites Lowering of prices on 10-inch viny-lite to the dollar level was extended to include two tot tallow firms this week. Adventure Records dropped to a 98-cent line consisting of 10 titles in the nursery and fairy tale groove. The diskery intends market-ing the new series about June 14. The ing the new series about June 14. The other label to slash the retail price is Mayfair, cutting a \$1.29 tag to 99 cents, with albums dropping from \$2.89 to \$2.36. Mayfair's ability to cut its tariff stems from the plattery's plans to establish its own pressing plant in New Jersey, which should trim its production costs. The disk-ery's first 99-cent release will be a single 10-incher of traditional barn dance tunes arranged for kiddies.

One of the "hottest" gimmicks in tot waxings has been racked up lately by two new indie labels, Animal and Bandwagon. The firms take top pop unes of the day (Baby Face, Beg Your Pardon, Civilization, etc.) and dress them in animal voices, noises, whistles and sound effects. The Ani-mal label, owned by Stepleton In-dustries in Cleveland, currently op-erates with a 10-inch shellac disk re-tailing for \$1.05. The company, how-ever, will blossom forth with 10-inch. tot waxings has been racked up lately

viny May 15, to be pressed for it by Muzak. The viny platters will be marketed at the \$1.29 figure. The firm reportedly has sold some 35,000 disks in two cities (Boston and Cleveland) in three weeks. The Band-wagon firm issues its waxings on 10inch shellac. The high retail price on both firms' shellac pressing re-flects the copyright cost of using top pop tunes as well as normal production and talent costs.

YPRC Adds Two

The Young People's Record Club (YPRC) has added to its catalog of waxings by annexing the two 10-inch viny platters that made up the offerings of the Children's Record Club (CRC), subsid of Doubleday, Doran book publishers. CRC appar-ently decided to abandom its venture ently decided to abandon its venture into the kiddie field virtually at the inception. YPRC will distrib the CRC disks at the announced price of \$1.29, while its own label goes for \$1.45 per, or at a subscription rate of \$13.10

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A National Accounting of Disk Jockey Activities

EASTERN BEAT . . . WKBR's Dick Hill in Manchester, N. H., says, "Don't call me, I'll call you." Turning his turntables on the public, Hill phones "stay-up-lates" and asks them what they would like to hear on his Night Hawk show. . . News for Petrillo: Live music replaces records on WKBW. Bob Glacy, disk jock on Glacy's Basement show, now emsees 45 minutes of live music featuring Bobbie Nicholson and his Hep-Septette. . . Jingling along at WTIC, Hartford, Conn., is Ross Miller, who now goes daily, garnishing his 1:45 p.m. slot with original jingles and (scripted) ad libs. . . Alix Blake is using those RCA Victor transcribed interview platters happily, he says. No Art Ford he (Wake and Blake, WENT, Gloversville, N. Y.), Blake has gone thru Vaughn Monroe and Larry Clinton, with his latest et. guest being Laura Leslie, of the Sammy Kaye ork. . . . Robert Snyder, of WROW, Albany, N. Y., went for four weeks of promotion with Walter Thornton and Jerry Cooper on the latter's disking of Get a Pin-Up Girl. The Pin-Up crew spent two days in Albany to make Snyder's show, three regional remotes and a p.a. for Snyder's sponsor, Standard Furniture Company in Schenectady, N. Y.

KISS AND TELL . . . Don Bell of KRNT, Des Moines, amuses his early morning audiences with . . . a transcribed kiss. Bell, who makes it a practice to buss "unkissed housewives" on his show, decided he had a problem. How to slip some lip to husbands neglected by sleepy wives. The solution: The only transcribed off-to-work kiss in radio today, Bell believes! He requested and received from Monica Lewis the waxing of a resounding, long-lasting smack with a sexy "good morning" accompanying the canned osculation

MIDWEST MAKE-HAY... Graeme Zimmer, WCSI promotion director and jock conclave supporter, gives Pinky Herman a break on his tune, *Seven Days a Week*. Zimmer set aside the week of May 10 to plug the ditty, cleffed by the *Radio Daily* scribe, with a tie-line that says, "Seven days a week it pays to listen to WCSI."... Joe Neidig, KVGB, Great Bend, Kan., is getting a hand from the young set with his *Penny Juke Box* half heave server a provened get you a product which for the server are server. Bend, Kan., is getting a hand from the young set with his Penny Juke Box half-hour seg (a penny postcard gets you a request) which features original satires on commercials (done by the gabber) as well as the usual giveaways (celebrity photos, personal cartoons, disks, etc.). . . Jimmie Harper, WJPF, Herrin, Ill., uses singing song tilles on The Anniversary Club program to honor nothing but requests for birthdays, anniversaries, weddings, etc. Sample handling: For birthdays—Kay Kyser's I Can't Remember To Forget; for anniversaries—Blue Barron's "We're the Couple in the Castle; for weddings—Sammy Kaye's Promises. Within the A. Club idea, a kiddie-baiter, Little Birthday Club. is incorporated. The latter uses singing titles and a club roster to help keep the mail count soaring.

SOUTHERN DRAWL . . . Tommy Dorsey (an Atlantan by recent marriage, at any rate, and an e.t. national jock in his own right) entertained 25 Atlanta jox at lunch in Veale's restaurant in the Georgia city. The day before, TD lined the front rows of the Atlanta Fox Theater (where he was playing) with the same jox. Result: RCA Victor's Tommy D. was plugged liberally on almost every show in the Southern capital. . . . Steve Briar left KENT, Shreveport, La., to take over KPAB, Laredo, Tex., as owner and general manager. . . . Gal spinner, Dee Deering, of WDUK, Durham, N. C., caught the label error on initial copies of Count Basie's *Robbins Nest* (Victor had shipped some 5,000 platters with the title spelled "Robins Nest." Wags claim the company problably doubted that a song could be dedicated to a Columbia Record Shop star (spinner Freddie Robbins) and has probably stimulated a collector-item stir. The Deering gal. a songwriter and vocalist who has done some p.a.'s in Gotham, drags mail from nearby collegians at U. N. C., N. C. State, and Duke universities.

THEME SONGS... Walter Kay, popular WJW, Cleveland, jock, says, "Would like to see band leader provide disk jocks with an essential theme service. My suggestion: Prepare a special platter of themes by various bands, providing approximately a two-minute open and close. When o & c are the same, one will do, altho an extra dub will help allow for wear. Columbia Records partially covered this in their album of *Theme Songs*, but a special platter of say, five-bands-per-side (33 rpm) would make for easy filing and simpler handling."

TUNE TOUTING . . . George Carroll, WEEU, Reading Pa.: "Altho You Can't Be True, Dear is already commonly known to be headed toward hitdom . . I've been doing it for months. . . It'll be in No. 1 spot, wanna bet?" . . Robert Conrad, WXGI, Richmond: "Record dealers pat us on the back for 'making' three hits in this town: Civilization, Les Paul's Brazil and back for 'making' three hits in this town: Civilization, Les Paul's Brazil and Lover and Nat Cole's Nature Boy. Right now I'm vigorously campaigning for Donna Belle on MGM by Buddy Kaye Quintet." . . Alix Blake. WENT, Gloversville. N. Y.: "Laura Leslie's disking of 1 Wouldn't Be Surprised with Don Cornell (Sammy Kaye, RCA Victor platter) doing big business here." . . Johnny Rose, WHK. Cleveland: For the out-on-a-limb-department he sticks with He'll Understand and Say Well Done, by the Four Knights: Perry Como's Haunted Heart and Henri Rene's Every Little Movement. And for non-plugged oldies deserving of a come-back, says Rose, how 'bout Abe Lyman's Help Me, Sarah Vaughan's You're Blase and the Gershwin ditty. They Can't Take That Away From Me. . . Kris Martin, WACE, Chicopee, Mass.: "Just for kicks I gave Jan Peerce's Bluebird of Happiness (12-inch RCA Victor) a few spins recently. The response was terrific."

COMPLAINT DEPT. . . . Ed Boyle, WBUY, Lexington, N. C., writes: "I second, echo and sanction Jack M. Combes, of WFUN, Huntsville, Ala., on giving the little jock a break. The big boys have theirs made. They don't need the push we little fries do. How's for more publicity for the small jocks to help them win their spurs? Yeah, an anuddah thing: How's for more info on current and coming hits from pluggers, including disks to plug, of course?" . . . "Decca will probably disagree with what I say," (Ed. Note—Probably.) says Anne Davis, WJHO, Ophelia, Ala., "but I wish Decca

quality would improve. The artists are okay but they sound as if they all have strep throat on those scratchy Decca platters."

SWITCHES . . . Doc Daugherty, former jock with WORK, now program manager for WNOW, York, Pa.... Famous Ballroom, Baltimore, presented Marvin manager for WNOW, York, Pa... Famous Ballroom, Baltimore, presented Marvin Ellin, WCAO spinner, the plaque for winning local disk jockey popularity poll. ... Ed Morris. WHAP, Monroe, N. C., puts in a round of applause for Jim Wylie, promotional rep for local Columbia disk distrib: "He's really good to the d. j.'s in this area." ... Ken Kribbs, WGAP, Martinsville, Tex., used Joe Lutcher's Capitol disk. No Name Boogie, to stage a contest—finding a name for the no-name item. ... Wheeling's Jim Whitaker getting an original trademark theme titled Cactus Jim, authored by songsmiths Alex Kramer and Joan Whitney. Whitaker, the town's Sunday-night city manager. The Bied Bieger Whitney. Whitaker, the town's Sunday-night city manager, has been named publicity director for a new national rat-control organization. The Pied Pipers of America. To take his job seriously he bought a cat and calls it Dizzy, after D. Gillespie, because "he's a real cat." . . . Bob Clayton pegged an audience contest stunt around Vaughn Monroe's Matinee platter, asking listeners how many people perform on the disk, how many times the word "matinee" is used and how many disks Monroe has recorded for Victor. Prizes include a Victor radio-phono (natch) plus an evening at the Meadows, nitery co-owned by Monroe and his handlers.

GOTHAM GABBING . . . Bin Williams, of WOV, heads a committee of jox to participate in a Madison Square Garden pageant of the George Washington Legion, May 13, under sponsorship of the American League for a Free Palestine. Out-of-town spinners are being organized under Steve Washington Legion, May 13, under sponsorship of the American League for a Free Palestine. Out-of-town spinners are being organized under Steve Allison, WLAW, Boston, to broadcast via remote control to the Garden and to report the event. . . Paul Brenner, WAAT turntable ace, running a contest seeking best definition of a disk jockey. Winner will be picked by Paul Denis, New York Post radio columnist. Charles Barclay's new WGYN stint, What's New, stresses the fresh side—new records, new songs, new performers. The show airs at 7 p.m. daily except Saturday, with Friday night devoted to flesh artists. Producer is Bob Brummer; Newark Electric Company picks up the tab.

NEW ENGLAND WHIRL . . . WOTW, Nashua, N. H., has started two new daytime shows; Bob Huse is handling a daily morning hourlong show while Dave Felder and Joe Ross collaborate on an afternoon spin session which is tabbed Mid-Day Merry-Go-Round. . . . Bud Hohensee, WLNH (Laconia, N. H.) morning Rose and Shine spinner, makes use of a special disk on his show which is designed to help mothers feed their children... Norwich, Conn., disk jockeys were recipients of toy dickey birds last week as part of the local ballyhoo for the evening of the flicker Three Daring Daughters (in which Dickey Bird song is featured) at the local Loew's Poli Theater.... Mitchell Betters is back at his spinner stand at WTHT, Hartford, Conn., after completing a trip thru the Southland and the baseball training camps.

COAST CUTTINGS . . . Al Jarvis, in a tie-in with the local Biltmore florists, is giving away six orchid corsages daily on his KLAC-aired Make Believe Ballroom. Orchids are awarded to listeners sending in the best letters on their pet peeves for Jarvis's Honest Opinion seg on his show. Sponsor is Honest John, bigtime local used car dealer. . . . KFWB jockey Bill Anson and his tune-cleffing partner have three new songs on the way. They are The Loveliness of You, which was plattered by Vaughn Monroe, plus How Could We Have Ever Been Strangers? and Some Things Will Never Change. . . . Martin Block has been set by Paramount for a top spot in a musical short based on the life of singer Monica Lewis to be produced in New York. Block was responsible for giving Miss Lewis her first break over his platter-spinning show.

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A special feature arranged in conjunction with the National Association of Disk Jockeys. None of the comments below necessarily reflect the opinion or editorial policy of The Billboard.

The NADJ constitution has been drafted and is ready for submission to the membership for approval and adoption. Final adoption of the constitution and the completion of the formation of the several new NADJ chapters now being organized in a number of cities will precede the first national NADJ elections

Disk Jockeys in Syracuse are organizing an NADJ chapter. ,Graeme Zimmer. Columbus. Ind., disk jockey, is active in the Midwest and is trying to start a NADJ chapter in his territory.

The New York chapter of NADJ will meet next Wednesday to hold nominations for the local's first elections. Also on the agenda for the New York meeting is a discussion for building up a chapter plan for obtaining sick and health benefits for the membership of the chapter. The group has been investigating the cost of installing such benefits and the results of the investigation will be presented and discussed. The New York chapter will receive a citation from the Greater New York Fund at a luncheon next week as a token of gratitude for the group's efforts on the fund's behalf in its recent drive.



turned to the U.S. this week followturned to the U.S. this week follow-ing a trip to London and Prague to check on Mercury's Continental long-hair disk deals. The deals originally were set by Hammond for Keynote Records but reverted to Mercury when the latter firm absorbed Key-note some months ago. Mercury's first longhair release will

Mercury's first longhair release will be ready for shipment on or around May 10. The highlight will be a wax-ing of Khatchaturian's Violin Con-certo featuring David Oistrach as the soloist

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New York:

Wally Moody, English artist and repertoire director for Electrical Musical Industries (BMI), left Gotham for the Coast late last week.... Sid Ascher Associates dropped London Records account.... George Towne ork switching back to General Artists Corporation effective May 15.

Mel Torme signed to do four weeks at the Latin Quarter nitery here beginning August 22.... Jimmy Palmer's ork and the Harmonicats have been set in a one-nighter package to play dances in Midwestern ballrooms during the last of April and first three weeks of May: Mus-Art Agency setting the tour.... Count Basie's ork skedded for one week at Buffalo's Town Casino beginning May 24.

Bary-saxist Leo Parker has left the Illinois Jacquet crew and formed a five-piece combo of his own for clubs and theaters. Associated Booking is handling his booking.... Shorty Warren and his hillbilly ork move into the Adams Theater, Newark, for a week, May 29.... Chris Weston, former warbler with Vincent Lopez, has been added to the Frankie Carle ork as guitarist and vocalist. Carle crew now has three male pipers, Gregg Larwence, Billy Williams and Weston. Marjorie Hughes, well on the road to recovery, rejoins poppa Carle May 9.

The Bartolo rumba ork goes into Ben Maksik's Roadside June 8 for an indefinite run. . . . Stripper Ann Corio and Ina Ray Hutton and her ork are being offered as a package for theater dates. The gals opened at the RKO Theater. Boston, Friday (23). . . . George Simon pubbery will pub the score of the new Danny Kaye flick, A Song Was Born, produced by Samuel Goldwyn. . . Dancer Bill Robinson will be featured on the Fats Waller memorial program May 21 at Carnegie Hall.

Chirp Helen Humes opens a week's stand at Copacabana, Pittsburgh, May 24.... The Bob Wyatt-Billy Taylor organ-piano duo is set for the Billie Holiday legiter at the Mansfield Theater here Tuesday (27).... Tunesmiths Ervin Drake and Jimmy Shirl have cleffed *Texas*, Brooklyn and Heaven, which will be featured in the Golden flick of the same name.

Buddy Greco and His Three Sharps have been booked into the Dome Theater Lounge in Minneapolis for four weeks, beginning June 1.... Sy Oliver and Dick Jacobs banded together to set up an arranging office, doing everything from be-bop to special material.... Chirp Virginia Maxey draws a shot on the Bob Hope airer May 11.... Henry Jerome's ork into the Arcadia Ballroom May 6 for three weeks, replacing the current Shorty Sherock.... Enoch Light will reorganize an ork to work at the new Tavern-on-the-Green, beginning May 12; he also is set as summer replacement for Vincent Lopez at the Hotel Taft here.

Teddy Black departed the Bourne pubbery scene. . . Trumpet tootler Leo Fortin rounding out 20 years with the Lawrence Welk ork. . . Pianist Art Tatum and the Loumel Morgan Trio launch a four-week run at the Famous Door, Friday (7). . . Cats and the Fiddle move into the Cotton Club, Philly, for two weeks, starting May 10. . . Duke Ellington skedded for Carnegie Hall concerts on successive nights, November 12 and 13. . . . Cherio-Rytvoc's Deanna Bartlett recovering from an auto accident.

Longhair Conductor-Composer Leonard Bernstein signed to writer contract by G. Schirmer. . . Exclusive diskery distrib additions include Farr-Wood Distributors of Rhode Island. and State Record Distributors of Massachusetts for Rhode Island. Massachusetts and parts of Connecticut. . . . Modern plattery "presented" its Chinatown-Hindustan platter to the mayor of Chinatown, Shavvey Lee. . . Guitarist Carl Kress (chirp Helen Carrol's hubby) operating his own Long Island eatery. . . Edwards Music. local pubbery, has taken over the tune If I Could Steal You From Someone Else, originally assigned to Leeds by Grimes Music in Philly. Sapphire label. which waxed the ditty. has sold the master to Gem diskery.

Mickey Addy, well-known music man and erstwhile staffer at the defunct Mood Music pubbery, now in charge of standard exploitation at the parent plant, Shapiro-Bernstein. . . A trio of ASCAP writer brass hats, Paul Cunningham, Stanley Adams and George Meyer, have knocked out a rhythm ballad, *That Five o'Clock Feeling*. . . The Al Castellanos crew a holdover at the Belmont Plaza's Glass Hat, which makes it their sixth straight month there. . . Andrews Sisters are Britain bound. After a June stint at the Roxy, the trio takes off for an August 2 opening in London.

John Thomas Music has swung a promotional tie-up with the Popsicle people for the novelty ditty Tony Spumoni, the Ice Cream Man. Popsicle is grooving a one-minute spot e.t. using the Monica Lewis Signature disk of Tony. ... Orkster Bert Mann's option picked up at Buffalo's Sheraton Hotel.... Ralston Ayres band opened at the Tybee Hotel, Savannah. Ga.

Johnny Costas Quartet has gone into the De Witt Clinton Hotel, Albany, after a five-month run at the Ten Eyck Hotel in the same city. . . . Hillbilly combo, Melody Riders, open indefinite stand at the Village Barn Wednesday (5). . . Mercury releasing *Little White Lies* waxed by Steve Gibson's Red Caps. . . Marion Reed, formerly with Pan-American diskery, named manager of the Detroit office of King Records.

The Orchid Lounge. Springfield, Ill., has booked Joe Mooney's Quartet for two weeks, starting May 11, following with Raymond Scott's Quintet. May 25, also for two weeks. . . Mills Music has annexed two unpubbed ditties among the Sunny Dunham masters turned over to Embassy diskery last week. . . Dan Qualey, impresario of the Solo Art boogie woogie disks, due in New York from the Coast to negotiate sales of his masters.

Sacasas Rumba Ork follows Noro Morales into Young's Gap Hotel this summer... Boston Pops Ork launches its 63d season of concerts and 19th under baton of Arthur Fiedler this week... Jose Moran closes at Pelham Heath Inn. May 30.

Heath Inn, May 30. English orkster Bert Ambrose arrived in New York April 28 to sample the American music scene—and chow. . . . BMI upped Bob Sour to director of production, Henry Katzman to ditto of television research. . . . Tex Williams begins a tour of the Midwest May 21; heads into Newark's Adams

Theater June 24.... Irving Berlin will guest on the Kay Kyser show Saturday (8) on the Coast and then hurry on back to the Apple for a Thursday appearance on Don McNeill's *Breakfast Club*.

Duke Ellington definitely set for a four-week date at the Palladium Theater, London, as a single at a reported \$10,000 per week, beginning June 21. He may take singers Muriel Smith and Kay Davis to England with him to share in a bill which will also include Pearl Bailey, the Deep River Boys and the Nicholas Brothers. . . Russ Facchine, Mus-Art Agency prexy, in town. . . . G & S Distributing, St. Paul, to handle the Apollo disk line in its territory, thus raising the waxery's independent distrib network to 30.

ASCAP will follow its usual practice by sending a representative to sit in at the Berne convention, tho the Society is not a member. Meet is being held this year at Brussels beginning June 5... Benny Goodman due in town next week to round out the personnel of his sextet for Carnegie Hall concert and Click nitery engagement.

Alvy West last week signed a management paper with the Music Corporation of America with the proviso that the agency clinch an air show for the small ork, now at the Hotel Edison here. . . Eddie Heywood's hand ailment appears licked after a six-month lay-off. The pianist-leader currently is rehearsing a new trio under aegis of General Artists Corporation. . . Art Ward replaced Chuck Newton in the advance slot with the Stan Kenton organization.

Cincinnati:

Barney Rapp Agency has just set eight dates with Don Dazey, manager of LeSourdesville Park, Middletown, O., calling for Barney Rapp's New Englanders, May 22, 23 and 31 and June 19 and 27; Sammy Leeds, May 30; Jimmy Wilbur, June 5, and Ches Wahle, June 13. . . Corkie Robbins, portly piano walloper, winds up four weeks at Lookout House, Covington, Ky., May 9. . . Claude Thornhill ork played the College of Pharmacy dance at Castle Farm Thursday (29). . . . Selden Jordan heads a four-man crew at the New Look Club, Newport, Ky., which made its bow Friday (30). . . . Deke Moffitt heads up an all-new combo to beat out the show and dance melodies at Beverly Hills Country Club, Newport, Ky. . . . Jack Terrell has entered his second year with his band in the Patio, 'neath Carew Tower.

Wayne King's ork and revue gave 'em a solid show at Taft Theater last Wednesday (28) but drew only a meager 500 patrons, with ducats scaled at \$1.20 to \$3. Simultaneous billing and advertising with Stan Kenton's appearance for two shows at the same house this Wednesday (5) is believed to have crabbed the King box office. Both concerts were set by Milt Magel. Castle Farm bossman, who also has Horace Heidt set for Memorial Hall. Springfield. O., May 5, and the high school auditorium at Lima. O., May 13. . . . Ray McKinley set for June 11 week at Coney Island, replacing Ray Anthony, originally booked in for that date but later inked for the Paramount. New York. . . Elliot Lawrence inked for a June 11 appearance at the University of Toledo. . . Johnny Long tabbed for Oberlin College. Oberlin. O. May 15, and Franklin College, Franklin. Ind., May 21.

Hollywood:

Harry A. Leader Enterprises, Oakland, Calif., record brokers, signed to handle national distribution of Castle Records. Indie diskery also signed with a special promotion merchandising association for giveaway tie-ups... Preview Music bought Benny Carter-Adeline Hanson ditty. Ain't Gonna Wait Too Long... Larry Shayne is returning to New York May 22 to straighten out personal business details prior to his settling here as Coast general manager for Famous-Paramount music pub interests.

Membership of Local 47, American Federation of Musicians (AFM), voted AFM Prexy James C. Petrillo an honorary member of the local, with appropriate gold membership card to be awarded union chief. . . Local 47 Prexy Spike Wallace, long in ill health, disclosed he would not run for office at next election. Hottest contender for Wallace's berth is John T. Groen, present veepee of the local. . . Robert M. Adams, New York marketing expert, named assistant director of marketing research by Capitol Records. . . Jesse Kaye, MGM Records Coast topper, treks to New York next week for annual home office visit. . . Balladier David Street and film star Mary Beth Hughes spliced last week.

Artie Wayne and personal manager Jack Beekman called it quits last week....MGM disk of *It I Had a Great Long Pistol*, cut by hillbilly Jerry Irby, soon to be released....Wally Moody, head of England's Electrical Musical Industries, in Hollywood for confabs with Irving Mills on record exploitation....Jules Stein to Louisville for running of Kentucky Derby.... Jimmy McHugh will be honored May 19 at Cocoanut Grove in celebration of his 25th year in cleffing biz.... Tempo Records will release a second version of Where the Apple Blossoms Fall.

Philadelphia:

Nick D'Amico takes over the Hotel Warwick bandstand. . . Elliot Lawrence, University of Pennsylvania grad, comes home May 14 to play Penn's traditional Ivy Ball... Eric Langer makes his local bow at the Drake Hotel with Ruth Landi for the lyricizing. . . Aqua String Band waxed Gus Troy's When I Fell In Love With You. . . Cavalier Recording Company, with Jimmy Loughran at the helm, makes for the latest disking firm in town.

Flint Record label gets Larry Fotine's waxing of Angel. ... Pepper Music Company. local pubbery. putting out *Hello*, theme song of the Ferko String Band. ... Harry Ranch moves his Kernels of Korn from the Click to 86 Club, Geneva, N. Y. ... Accordionist Tony De Simone and Fiddler Lorne Monroe join Clarence Fuhrman's band at KYW.

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SONGS WITH GREATEST RADIO AUDIENCES (Beginning Friday, April 23, 8 a.m., and ending Friday, April 30, 8 a.m.)

Tunes listed have the greatest audiences on programs heard on network stations in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. List is based upon John G. Peatman's Audience Coverage Index. The index is projected upon radio logs made available to Peatman's ACI by the Accurate Reporting Service in New York, Radio Checking Service in Chicago, Radio Checking Service in Los Angeles. Listed are the top 30 (more in the case of ties) tunes alphabetically. The music checked is preponderantly (over 60 per cent) alive. (F) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legitimate musical; (R) indicates tune is available on records. In each instance the licensing agency controlling performance rights on the tune is indicated. The feature is copyrighted 1947 by the office of Research, Inc., 3470 Broadway, New York 31, N. Y. No reference may be made to any of this material except in trade papers; no other use is permitted; no radio broadcasts utilizing this information may be aired. Infringements will be prosecuted.

The Top 30 Tunes (plus ties)

Title	Publishers Lic. By
A Few More Kisses (and a Few Less Heartaches) (R)	Patmar-BMI
April Showers (F) (R)	
Baby Face (R)	
Beg Your Pardon (R)	
Betty Blue (R)	
But Beautiful (F) (R)Burl	
Encore, Cherie (R)	
For Every Man There's a Woman (F) (R) Haunted Heart (M) (R)	
Heartbreaker (R)	
Hooray for Love (F) (R)	
I May Be Wrong (R)	
I'm Looking Over a Four Leaf Clover (R)	
It's the Sentimental Thing To Do (R)	
Laroo, Laroo, Lilli Bolero (R)Sha	
Little White Lies (R) Bregm	
Love of My Life (F) (R)	T. B. Harms-ASCAP
Manana (Ř)	
My Sin (R)	
Nature Boy (R)Burk	
Now Is the Hour (R)	
Sabre Dance (R)	
Saturday Date (R)	SouthernASCAP
Tell Me a Story (R) The Best Things in Life Are Free (F) (R)	Constant ASCAP
The Dickey-Bird Song (F) (R)	Pabbine_ASCAP
That Feathery Feelin' (R)	
The Thousand Island Song (M) (R)	
Toolie Ooolie Doolie (The Yodel Polka) (R)	has, K. Harris-ASCAP
You Were Meant for Me (F) (R)	
You're Too Dangerous, Cherie (R)	Harms, IncASCAP

The Remaining 19 Songs of the Week

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All Dressed Up With a Broken Heart (R)E. B. Marks-BMI
Big Brass Band From Brazil (R)W. H. Morris-ASCAP
Bye, Bye, Blackbird (R)Remick-ASCAP
I Never Loved Anyone (R) Dreyer-ASCAP
It's Easy When You Know How (R)BMI
It's Magic (F) (R)Witmark-ASCAP
It's You or No One (R)Remick—ASCAP
Love Is So Terrific (R)
My Fair Lady (R)United—ASCAP
Pianissimo (R)
Saturday Night in Central Park (M) (R)T. B. Harms-ASCAP
Teresa (R)Duchess-BMI
Thoughtless (R)
We Just Couldn't Say Goodbye (R) Words & Music-ASCAP
What'll I Do? (R)Berlin-ASCAP
What's Good About Goodbye? (R)
You Can't Be True, Dear (R)Biltmore-ASCAP
You Turned the Tables on Me (R)
You're Gonna Get My Letter in the Morning (R)London-BMI

RECORDS MOST PLAYED BY DISK JOCKEYS

Records listed here in numerical order are those played over the greatest number of record shows. List is based on replies from weekly survey among 1,200 dist jockeys thruout the country. Unless shown in this chart, other available records of tunes listed here will be found in the Honor Roll of Hits, Music Popularity Chart, Part I. (F) Indicates tune is from a film; (M) indicates tune is from a legit musical.

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	OSITI		
Weeks			Lic. By
to date			
4	2	1.	
	2		Capitol 15054-ASCAP
16	1		MANANA
8	5	3.	SABRE DANCE
			Columbia 38102-ASCAP
6	4	4.	BABY FACE Art Mooney. MGM 10156-ASCAP
11	3	5.	NOW IS THE HOURBing CrosbyDecca 24279-ASCAP
13,	6	6.	NOW IS THE HOUR Margaret Whiting
	1.1.1		Capitol 15024—ASCAP
3	-	7.	SABRE DANCE BOOGIE Freddy Martin
			Victor 20-2721—ASCAP
16	7	8.	I'M LOOKING OVER A
		k	FOUR LEAF CLOVER Art Mooney. MGM 10119-ASCAP
15	13	9.	NOW IS THE HOUR Gracie Fields. London 110-ASCAP
2	8	10.	YOU CAN'T BE TRUE, Ken Griffin-Jerry Wayne
			DEAR
2	8	11.	THE DICKEY-BIRD SONG Freddy Martin
	10	10	(F)Victor 20-2617—ASCAP BECAUSEPerry Como
3	12	12.	Victor 20-2653-ASCAP
			(R. Stevens-D. King Ork, Columbia 4515-M; D. Durbin, Decca
		ļ	25295: Dean Hudson Ork-Sonny Stockton, Mello-Strain 112)
3		13.	
3		15.	ST. LOUIS BLOES MARCH. Tex Benere. Victor 20-2722-ASCAP
1		14	LITTLE WHITE LIESDick Haymes
1		1	LITTLE WITTLE ENDS HAR Hayness Decca 24280-ASCAP
14	14	15.	BEG YOUR PARDONFrankie Carle
			Columbia 38036—ASCAP
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Recorded by THE LADY IN BLUE

THE MAGIC CARPET (Album #M-7). A thrilling musical world cruise on the magic carpet with The Lady in Blue, accompanied by little Frances Lynn, who fly around the world and stop to bring you the charming songs and music of twelve different countries en route.

THE LADY IN BLUE (Album #M-4). A collection of seventeen songs, games and dances for very young children. Album of 2 10" records.

KIDDIE HIT PARADE (Album #M-5). Children of all ages are captivated by the delightful treatment of these four all-time juvenile favorites: Parade of the Wooden Soldiers, Old McDonald Had a Farm, Hansel & Gretel's Dance, and All Through the Night. Album of 2 10" records.

YOUNC AMERICA (Album #M-6). A dramatic presentation of historical highlights in the development of America, told by The Lady in Blue against a rich musical background with appropriate songs. A top seller for Washington's Birthday, Lincoln's Birthday, Columbus Day and Flag Day. Album of 2 10" records.

WILBUR THE WHISTLING WHALE (K-110). One of the cutest, most original "fish" stories ever told to small fry about a whale who could whistle through his spout and how he became the most popular whale in the whole ocean. Single 10" record, attractively packaged.

THE MUSIC BOX (#K-111). An assortment of ten songs, games and dances for very tiny tots. Single 10" record, attractively packaged.

LITTLE WILLIE, the Leader of the Band (\pm K-115). The story of a little boy who doesn't want to study his music. He has a dream one night of becoming a great musician and plays every instrument in the band.

Recorded by DAVID KURLAN

ONCE UPON A TIME (Album #M-1). A collection of four entrancing stories told by David Kurlan and his remarkable animal voices: The Little Red Hen, The Three Goats, Goldi-locks and the Three Bears, The Elephant and the Jack Rabbit. Album of 2 10" records.



The Lady in Blue takes the children to a country barn dance and does such rustic favorites as Oh Susanna, Arkansas Traveler, Old Gray Mare, Skip Turn-a-Loo, Today Is Monday and The Little Brown Jug. Single 10" record.

Order From Your Nearest Mayfair Distributor

Malverne Dist. 424 West 49th St. New York City, N. Y.

Allied Appliance Distrib-utars of Memphis 713 Linden Ave. Memphis, Tenn.

Apolio Records, Inc. 367 Edgewood Ave., N.E. Atlanta, Ga.

Apollo Records, Inc. 2705 W. Pico Blvd. Los Angeles, Cal.

Barnett Distributing Co. 15 East 21st St. Baltimore, Md.

Dewey Music Sales 43 Dewey Ave. Rochester, N. Y.

Dixie Record Suppliers 731 West Cary St. Richmond, Va.

lgoe Bros. 35 Halsey St. Newark, N. J.

Marnel Dist. Co. 1622 Fairmount Ave Philadelphia, Pa. Mass. Music Dist. 1269 Tremont St. Boston, Mass. J. E. Miller Co., Inc. 80 26th St. Pittsburgh, Pa. Moe Bros. Co. 1119 North Water St. Milwaukee, Wisc. Mutual Appliance Dist. 122 Clinton St. Buffalo, N. Y. Northwest Dist. 714 No. 34th St. Seattle, Wash.

Reines-Freemon Dist., Inc. 201 Jay St. Albany, N. Y. Remco, Inc. LaSalle at Ohio Chicago, Ill. Sanborn Music 740 Superior Ave., N. W. Cleveland, Ohio Seaboard Dist. 110 Ann St. Hartford, Conn.

Recordit Dist. Co., Inc. 3028 Locust St. St. Louis, Mo.

Shank Cobley, Inc. 1017 Madison Ave. Toledo, Ohio Tri-City Radio Supply 1919 4th Ave. Rock Island, Ill.

New York 19, N.Y.

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BEST-SELLING POPULAR RETAIL RECORDS

Records listed are those selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers). List is based on The Billboard's weekly survey among 4,970 dealers in all sections of the country. Records are listed numerically according to greatest sales. (F) Indi-cates tune is in a film; (M) indicates tune is in a legit musical. The B side of each record is listed in italic.

POSITION Weeks | Last | This to date Week | Week

to date	weer.		
15	1	1.	MANANAPeggy LeeCapitol 15022
- 1			All Dressed Up With a
			Broken Heart
3	7		
3	1	2.	
			Lost April
15	2	3.	NOW IS THE HOURBing CrosbyDecca 24279
			Silver Threads Among the
			Gold
5	3	1	YOU CAN'T BE TRUE,
5	3	4.	
1			DEAR
			Doodle Doo Doo
3	8	5.	TOOLIE OOLIE DOOLIE Andrews Sisters Decca 24380
		Í	. I Hate to Lose You
5	4	6.	LITTLE WHITE LIESDick HaymesDecca 24280
-	-		The Treasure of Sierra .
		1	Madre
6	6	7.	BABY FACE
0	6	7.	
			Encore, Cherie
6	9	8.	SABRE DANCE
-		1	Swing Low, Sweet Clarinet
4	5	9.	ST. LOUIS BLUES MARCH. Tex Beneke Victor 20-2722
	-	1	Cherokee Canyon
6 1	10	10.	
		10.	After You've Gone
	1	1	Alter Fou ve Gone
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BEST-SELLING POPULAR RECORD ALBUMS

Albums listed are those selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers). List is based on The Billboard's weekly survey among 4,970 dealers in all sections of the country. Albums are listed numerically according to greatest sales.

F	OSITI	ON	
Weeks	Last	This	
to date	Last Week	Week	
~)			Down Memory Lane
			Vaughn MonroeVictor P-202
4	2	2.	Busy Fingers
	_		Three SunsVictor P-206
3	3	3.	Rendezvous With Peggy Lee
Ŭ	Ŭ		Peggy LeeCapitol CC-72
14	5	4.	Good News
	_		Down Memory Lane Vaugh Monroe Vaugh Monroe Victor P-202 Busy Fingers Victor P-206 Rendezvous With Peggy Lee Capitol CC-72 Good News June Allyson, Peter Lawford, Joan McCracken, Patricia Marshall MGM 17 Nellie Lutcher Album Nellie Lutcher.
5	4	5.	Nellie Lutcher Album
-			Nellie LutcherCapitol CC-70

BEST-SELLING RECORDS BY CLASSICAL ARTISTS

Records listed are those classical and semi-classical records selling best in the tion's retail record stores (dealers), according to The Billboard's weekly record aler survey. Records are listed according to greatest sales.

	OSITI		
Wecks	Last	1 This	
to date	Week	[Week	
8	3	1.	Khachaturian: Gayne Ballet Suite-Sabre Dance
		{	Oscar Levant
10	1 1	2.	Khachaturian; Gayne Ballet Suite-Sabre Dance
		1	Khachaturian: Gayne Ballet Suite-Sabre Dance Chicago Symphony Ork; A. Rodzinski, directorVictor 20-0209 Clair de Lune
134		3.	Clair de Lune
		í	Jose Iturbi
12	1 1	4.	Khachaturian: Gayne Ballet Suite—Sabre Dance
			Philharmonica Symphony of New York; Efrem Kurtz, conductorColumbia 12498 Jalousie Boston Pops; Arthur Fiedler, conductorVictor 12160
103	-	5.	Jalousie
		1	Boston Pops; Arthur Fiedler, conductorVictor 12160

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F	OSITIC	ON	
Weeks	Last	This	
to date	Week	Week	
24	1	1.	Khachaturian: Gayne-Ballet Suite
			New York Symphony Ork; Efrem Kurtz, conductor
	· 1		Columbia MM-664
6	3	2	Music of Ernest Lecuona
Ŭ I			First Piano Quartet
2	3	2	Operatic Arias Album
			F. Tagliavini-RCA Victor Ork; A. Dorati, director
			Victor MO-1191-VO 13
	-		
64	3	4.	Tchaikowsky Nutcracker Suite
I			Eugene Ormandy, conductor, Philadelphia Ork
1	1		Victor 1020
1		5.	Khachaturian: Masguerade Suite
		0.	Leopold Stokowski, conductor, Philharmonic Symphony
			Ork of New York
		~	Strauss Waltzes
12	—	3.	Andre Kostelanetz and His OrkColumbia 481
			Andre Kostelanetz and fils OfR

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POPULAR	¥ 87 ¥	WABASH BLUES PEEPIN' THRU THE KEYHOLE Cliffie Stone Capitol 40083
(Rhythm, Ballad, Jazz an MANANA ALL DRESSED UP WITH A BROKEN Peggy Lee NATURE BOY LOST APRIL King Cole	·	HUMPTY DUMPTY HEART TODAY Hank Thompson Capitol 40065 DON'T TELEPHONE-DON'T TELEGRAPH (Tell a Woman) BLUE AS A HEART ACHE Tex Williams Capitol 40081
BUT BEAUTIFUL Margaret Whiting BABY FACE HEARTBREAKER Jack Smith TOOLIE OOLIE DOOLIE (The Yodel Pe YOU CAN'T BE TRUE, DEAR The Sportsmen LAROO, LAROO, LILI BOLERO TALKING TO MYSELF ABOUT YOU Peggy Lee HAUNTED HEART I'M MY OWN GRANDMAW Jo Stafford I'M LOOKING OVER A FOUR LEAF CL SPANISH CAVALIER Alvino Rey BEG YOUR PARDON MELANCHOLY Dinning Sisters SUSPICION FLO FROM ST. JOE, MO. Tex Williams SUSPICION CLABBERIN' UP FOR RAIN Jo Stafford THE PEANUT VENDOR THERMOPOLAE Stan Kenton THOUGHTLESS YOU WERE MEANT FOR ME Gordon MacRae CIGAREFTES, WHUSKEY AND WILD, V PEARLY MAUDE Red Ingle HE'S A REAL GONE GUY LET ME LOVE YOU TONIGHT Nellie Lutcher	Capitol 15077 Capitol 15045 Capitol 15023 OVER Capitol 491 Capitol 490 Capitol 40109 Capitol 15068 Capitol 15052 Capitol 15052	COUNTRY SWAMP WOMAN BLUES LOVE IN AN AEROPLANE Milo Twins Capitol 40094 WHAT'S ANOTHER HEART TO YOU? A PETAL FROM A FADED ROSE Eddie Kirk Capitol 40080 RENO ROUND I CAN'T WIN FOR LOSIN' Karl and Harty SWEET THING YODELING WALTZ The Original Arthur Smith Capitol 40080 BORN TO LOSE HOW DO YOU MEND A BROKEN HEART? Eddie Kirk Capitol 40116
INE BROWN FRAME HE PIG-LATIN SONG ellie Lutcher Capitol 150 ING SIZE PAPA HEN YOU'RE SMILING (The Whole Wo Smiles With You) Lia Lee Capitol 400 GOT A BREAK, BABY	rld	COMING UP FASTGOOFUS THE HILLS OF CALIFORNIA Johnny MercerMY HAPPINESS HIGHWAY TO LOVE The Pied PipersHELEN POLKA MY WIFE HAS GONE AND LEFT ME The SportsmenMY HAPPINESS HIGHWAY TO LOVE The Pied PipersWHAT'S GOOD ABOUT GOODBYE? GYPSY IN MY SOUL Margaret WhitingMY HAPPINESS Capitol 15046BLUE SHADOWS ON THE TRAIL LOVE OF MY LIFE Andy RussellCapitol 15063 Capitol 15063GIVE ME THOSE GOOD OLD DAYS YOU TURNED THE TABLES ON ME Benny GoodmanCapitol 15064SPANISH BELLS WESTPHALIA WALTZWORRY, WORRY, WORRY WE JUST COULDN'T SAY GOODBYE

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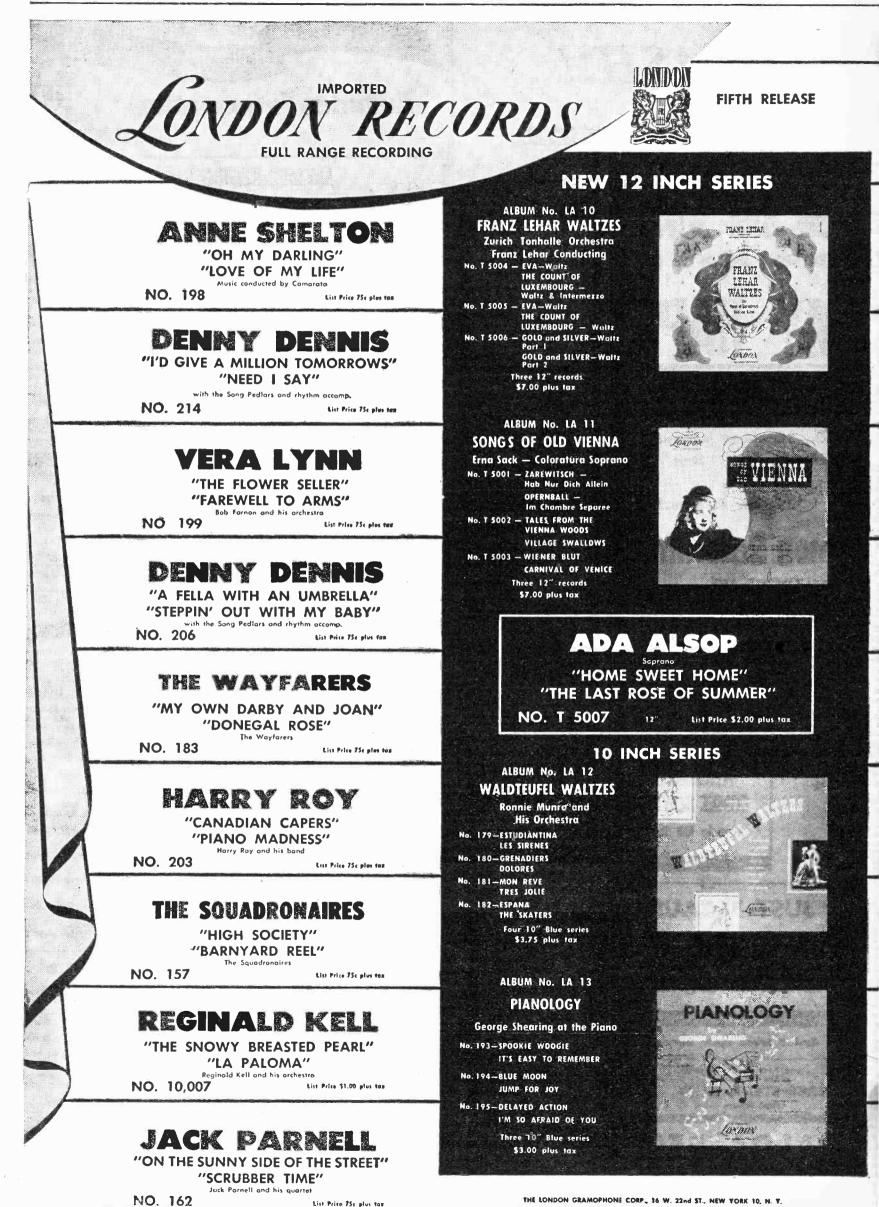
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DECCA BUYE GUI		S V eek Ending April 30
A special listing of Decca records based on actual sales your guide to the sure-fire hits of today and tomorrow.	MOST-PLAYED JUKE BOX RECO Records listed are those receiving the greatest play in the List is based on The Billboard's weekly survey among 3,558 opera the country. Listed under the title of each of the most play available recordings of the same tune. Unless shown in this records of tunes listed here will be found in the Honor Roll of J Chart, Part I. POSITION Weeks Last J 12 1 14 1 12 1 14 1 12 3 3 You CAN'T BE TRUE, Ken Griffin-Jer 4 7 5 TOOLE COULE DOULE DOULE. Andrews Sister	nation's juke boxes. tors in all sections of red records are other chart, other available Hits, Music Popularity Decca 24279 Capitol 15022 MGM 10156 TV Wavne
SWEEPING THE COUNTR LITTLE WHITE LIES	 15 5 6. FM LOOKING OVER A FOUR LEAF CLOVERArt Mooney 3 13 17 6 8. BEG YOUR PARDONFrancis Craig. 10 9. NOW IS THE HOURGracie Fields. 2 11 10. SABRE DANCEWoody Herman 11 12 11 10. SABRE DANCEFradk Yankov (Eddy Howard, Majestic 1231; F. Zajc P C-1128; Sheriff T. Owens and His Cowboy Polkateers, Continental C-1228; J. Gumin, 7 7 7 13. SHINEFrankie Laine. (Elia Fitzgerald, Decca 2535; Punch Miller Ork Brothers, Decca 24382; Quintet of the Hot Op 07200 	MGM 10119 Victor 20-2721 Bullet 1012 Columbia 38102 Majestic 1191 ic and His Yanks Columbia 38072 olkateers, Continental rs, Mercury 6086; The Chord 664) Mercury 5091 Mercury 5091 Mercury 5091 Mercury 5091
LITTLE WITH <i>coupled with</i> The Treasure Of Sierra Madre by <i>DICK HAYMES</i> Decca No. 24	6 14 14. BECAUSEPerry Como (R. Stevens-D. King Ork, Columbia 4515- 25295; Dean Hudson Ork-Sonny Stockton, 9 15. ST. LOUIS BLUES MARCH. Tex Beneke MOST.PLAYED HIKE ROX FOLK R	ECORDS
DOUBLE HIT! YOU CAN'T BE TRUE, DEAR NATURE BOY by DICK HAYMES with THE SONG SPINNERS. Decca N BEST SELLERS	7 4 2. WHAT A FOOL I WASEddy Arnold Plowboys 15 15 4 3. HUMPTY DUMPTY Hank Thomps HEARTCay 38 2 38 2 4. I'LL HOLD YOU IN MY Eddy Arnold HEARTCay 14 4 4 5. BUBBLES IN MY BEERBob Wills an boys 7. JUST BECAUSEFrank Yankov 8 - 8 - 8. PEEPIN' THRU THE KEY- Cliffie Stone a HOLEBadCap 3 4 9. TENNESSEE WALTZPee Wee Kin West Cowbo 10 - 10 - 10. SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVEREDBob Atcher	and His Tennessee Victor 20-2700 on and His Brazos pitol Americana 4006 and His Tennessee Victor 20-233 d His Texas Play- MGM 1011 MGM 1011
The Treasure Of Sierra Madre	S SISTERS Records listed are race-type disks most played in the nation's to The Billboard's weekly survey among juke box operators. POSITION POSITION S SISTERS Interpretation of the text of the text of the text of the billboard's weekly survey among juke box operators. No. 24427 POSITION Weeks Last This Weeks to date Week 13 1 14 1. 15 2. 10 5 2. TOMORROW NIGHTDennie Johnse 8 - 4. ALL MY LOVE BELONGS 8 - 4. 4. 4. REET.PETITE AND GONE.Louis Jordan. 5 7 6. I WANT A BOWLEGGED WOMAN SWRITE ME A LETTER	Her Boy Friends pitol Americana 4008 mCapitol 1503 acksonKing 418 acksonKing 418 acksonKing 418 acksonKing 418 acksonKing 418 acksonNational 903 Decca 2430
7 Ooh! Look-a There, Ain't She Pretty?	No. 24406 CLINTON No. 24301 P T HERTH No. 24319 BEST-SELLING POPULAR RETAIL (Continued from page 34) (Continued from page 34) P (Continued from page 34) P P P P P P P P P P P P P	Victor 20-265 Mello-Strain 112) nVictor 20-261 nd His Polka Debs Continental C-122
All Records Listed \$.75 Each, Exclusive of Taxes	We'll Be Together Again (Ella Fitzgerald, Decca 25354; Slim Gr Lombardo, Decca 25353; Punch Miller Or Brothers, Decca 24382; Quintet of the Hot	een, Decca 48074; C k. Century 4005; Mil



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ABEL AND NO. COMMENT	RTAIL	10CKEY	V L B W		*ATOP	LABEL AND NO. COMMENT	R - /	LOCKEY		ANTOR)	scored. Put 'Em in a Box, Tie 'Em With a Ribbon Cute novelty rhythm dit- ty from same score is pleasantly done; over- arranged backing.	80	80	80	80	Cincinnati Thrush does well by only fair rhythm tune, blending talents capably with Chiefs.	76	79	72	78
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or recording balance, d song submerges the rk of a fine English ger named Benny Lee.						ANITA O'DAY (Relph Burns Ork) (Signature 15185) How High the Moon Multi - tempoed modern scoring showcasing chirp	85	87	83	85	Fine clefting, super Mar- tin piping make for ex- cellent standard disking of the time-tested tune. My Sin The oldie is treated to more choice singing and	84				FRANKIE CARLE (Columbia 38175) Sunrise Boogie Carle exhibits his deft, light touch. Ork swings thru solid instrumental that builds in the "One	83	86	82	82.
FOUR (DC 8048) tchel Mouth Baby ry little happens on is rhythm side. s ballad, done not well, t with the style that		4				O'Day at her scattingest best. Key Largo (Benny Carter Ork) Haunting melody superb- ly arranged with Anita singing okay.	75	82	74	70	orking. PAGE CAVANAUGH TRIO (Signature 15188) Crazy Rhythm Instrumental workout for	65	74	65	55	o'Clock Jump" style. Moondust Rhapsody Flip here is Carle in his usual tasty, studied &8- ing. No matter how you slice it it sounds like	73	77	73	70
y draw a few race x plays. ARIN TUCKER ORK (Universal U-71) verybody Loves My Baby	60	6	0 6	0	60	(Francey Lane) (Signature 15186) Moonlight and V. P. I. Mediocre tune draws good orking and vocal plus excellent recording. Happy Birthday to You	66 73			66 NS	the trio; clean but cold. Don't Blame Me Standard done as slow instrumental. Same com- ment. JOSE CURBELO ORK (Tito Rodriguez)	60	65	61	53	FREDDY MARTIN (Victor 20-2826) A Little Street Where Old Friends Meet (Stuart Wade-The Martin Men)	78	77	77	80
d-hat singing and ork- g which doesn't click spite the trends. Need Lovin' one with gusto and a estern twang in Tuck- s vocal which may aw some action.	72	7	4 7	70	72	(Francey Lane-The En- semble) Mainly for disk jockeys but fills home demands also for a happy birth- day disking. ROY ELDRIDGE					(Victor 26-9022) Rumba Rumbero Moderate paced bolero- riumba styling with Rod- riguez in fair attempt at emulating a Valdes vo- cal.	66	68	65	66	Wade and chorus render oldie in competent sudsy fashion over sweet, vio- lin-featured orking. On the Little Village Green (Clyde Rogers-Ensem- ble)	75	75	75	75
IE SQUADRONAIRES (London 171) sterdays leading English ork 10 W s off trumpeter nmy Watson in a solo tich is commonplace	63	6	8 6	50	60	(Decca 24417) I Can't Get Started Roy plays better than this record displays; for collectors, nevertheless. After You've Gone Not f good as the Krupa disking Roy made	65 68			60 65	Poinciana (Jose Duval) Tasty bolero - beguine handling by Curbelo ork. Duval's romantic tonsils capably tackle Spanish- English lyric.		77	76	76					
American standards. Don't Want To Meet Any More People (Doreen Stephens) or vocal, bad song, san orking.	46	4	5 4	18	45	but the performance and idea remains one of the classics of record jazz. LIONEL HAMPTON (Decca 24415) Rockin' in Rhythm,		74		67	MONICA LEWIS-AMES BROTHERS (Mary Osborne Trio) (Decca 24411) A Tree in the Meadow Good mating of label's talents to render Billy	85	85	5 85	5 85	Little Toot (Don Cornell-The Three Kaydets) Novelty tugboat tune from new Disney flick, "Melody Time," rendered in cute, bouncy fashion.		81	77	78
ENNY DENNIS (Stanley Black Ork) (London 170) y Fair Lady ne orking, excellent innis vocal of a lovely w Sigman - Hilliard	1	9)1 - 1	88	85	Parts 1 and 2 Hamp takes the Ellington oldie over the coals for two sides, with Part I stacking up as the juke bet with its Hamp and wild sax solos, raucous band and heavy handed rhythm.	71	74			Reid's new ballad. Lewis gal's Dinah-like piping shines. Ames Brothers On the Street of Regret Sobby oldie receives suit- able tear-jerk harmon- izing by Ames freres	76	5 77	7 73	3 79	(There'll Never Be An- other) Pecos Bill (Don Cornell-Chorus) Gay Western novelty also from Disney pic offered brightly by Cornell and chorus with nasal pip- ing, hand clapping, etc.	77	79	76	5 77
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(Bert Thompson Ork) (Landon 165) Never Loved Anyone ate cutting of current pp plug is a good lough rendition.	58	8 6	50	55	60	Louisiana Purchase A great visual nitery act they don't click solidly on wax as yet. Kay Thompson	75	82	2 76	66	We Just Couldn't Say			60		Baby Bonnie's childlike infec- tious technique registers fair on current pop. Do It Again Chirp misses fire with	65			6 60
he Old Postman (Passes Me By) rking and vocal are fine it the postman won't ng twice.	1	5	52	50	48	I See Your Face Before Me Kay solos with aid of plano and creates only slight interest with her style.	01	75	67	60		7	7	5 6	9 6	weil-suited oldie deliv- ered in too cute, too fast manner. (Continued o				

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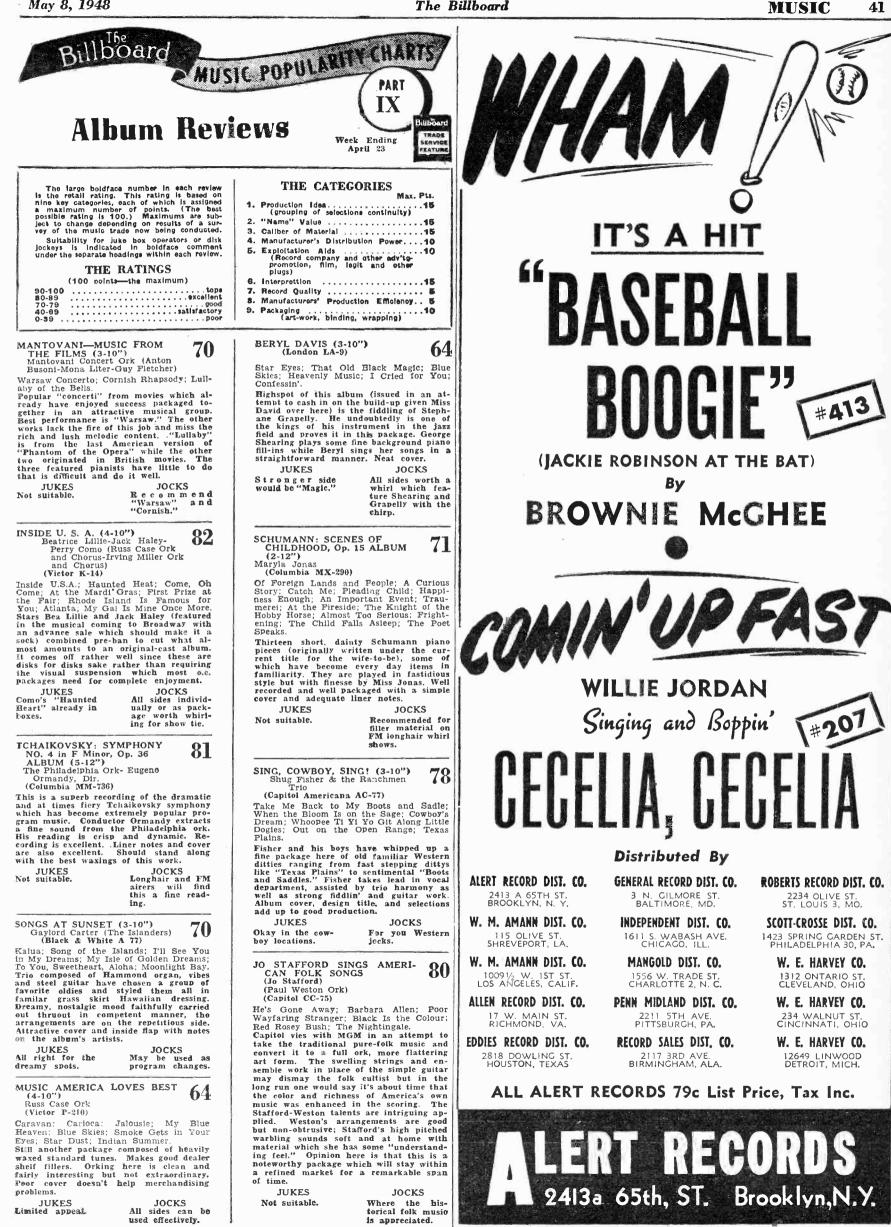
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Item #1

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SPECIAL NOTICE This original recording by the Frank Petty Trio of "Hearts Win, You Lose" was not released until 1948, after the recording ban. This par-ticular arrangement and lyrics of "Hearts Win, You Lose" was first copyrighted and published in 1948 —after the recording ban, and was carefully guarded up to that time. Therefore, it is reasonable to assume that any other versions which are released will be done either A Capella or with Harmonicas, or other non-union instruments: however, if simi-lar instrumental versions do appear which were allegedly recorded before the ban it would indeed be one of the most fantastic coincidences ever.

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Pub Junkets For Jock Plugs On Upswing

YORK, May -Publisher cognizance of the disk jockey as a prime exploitation medium is on the upswing, with Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), and Edwin H. Morris pub-beries this week dispatching flying squadrons of contact men to court platter pushers in the North and Southeast.

Operating on the theory that record plays on the air may be more productive tunewise than live music broad-casts, the BMI and Morris outfits are making the first systematized pub-lisher efforts to cultivate the spin-ners. Julie Stern, Harold Wald, Jerry Lewin and Walter Fleischer are mak-ing the jock junket for BMI; Jack Lee and Lester Sacks are touring for Morris.

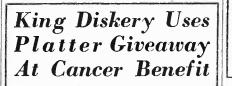
BMI, of course, has a special inter est in getting air performances for their songs, because therein lies a healthy hunk of their revenue. But they're also hopeful of an increase in sheet music sales from jock promotion.

Other firms, such as Lou Levy's Leeds group, whose Doc Berger con-centrates on the table turners, have made passes at regular romancing of the jocks, but the BMI and Morris moves probably represent the first professional sally of really extended dimension.

Martinelli-DeLucca Concert

NEW YORK, May 1.-Operatic tenor Giovanni Martinelli will be featenor Giovanni Martinelli will be fea-tured at a Carnegie Hall pops concert, skedded for May 11. On the same program, Guiseppe De Lucca shares billing, as does a concert version of *The Telephone*, to be conducted by Emanuel Balaban, who fronted the ork during the legiter's Broadway run. Pops promoter Ernie Anderson also has lined up a Vincent Youman's memorial concert featuring Robert Russell Bennet. The show is set for Russell Bennet. The show is set for May 16.

SLACK ORGS FULL ORK NEW YORK, May 1.—Undaunted by band biz blues shouters, pianist Freddie Slack is now reorganizing a full-sized ork to be composed of 15 tootlers and a girl singer. Slack, who switched agencies from Associated Booking to the Gale Agency recently, is set for a series of 23 one-nighters with his big band. A seasoned big band fronter, Slack in the last few months had been content with a seven-piece crew.



DETROIT, May 1.—King Records staged a cancer fund benefit shindig at the Paradise Theater Wednesday night (28), featuring a giveaway of 1,000 disks to fund donors in the audience. Fifteen platter jocks, the largest congress of tallow turners in local memory, enhanced the pro-ceedings as special guests. With Norman Lenhardt, WXYZ

staff announcer, emseeing, the bene-fit was interpolated into the regular Paradise show, which co-starred Nellie Lutcher and the Lucky Mil-Nelle Lutcher and the Lucky Mil-linder ork, featuring King clickers Bull Moose Jackson, Paul Brecken-ridge and Annisteen Allen. The fund pitch was made by a line-up of local bigwigs, including civic dignitaries, newspaper editors and columnists, and the trade press reps.

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Woody Herman

Woody Herman (Reviewed at the Century Room, Hotel Commodore, New York, April 28. Road manager, Walt Yoder. Per-sonal manager, Abe Turchen. Booked by Continental Artists Corporation.) TRUMPETS: Stan Fishelson, Bernie Glow, Ernie Royal, Shorty Rogers, Irving Markey. TROMBONES: Earl Swope, Bob Swift, Ollie Wil

Wilson. REEDS: Sam Marowitz, Serge Chaloff, Jack Simms, Al Cohen, Stanley Getz. RHYTHM: Don Lamond, drums; Fred Otis, piano; Harry Babasin, bass; James Raney, cutter

guitar. VOCALS: Mary Ann McCall. ARRANGERS: Ralph Burns, Al Cohen, Jimmy Guiffre, Nelson Shelledy. CLARINET, ALTO SAX, VOCALS AND LEADER: Woody Herman.

LEADER: Woody Herman. The Herman Herd stampeded into New York's Hotel Commodore last week for its first Eastern location stand since its reorganization several months ago. And it strutted in all of the sparkle which has made it one of the top musicrews in the biz. Woody Herman's band remains one of a dwindling handful of big jazz bands which has managed to sustain box office power despite the trade and public tendencies to pray humbly before the sweet music trends of the

past few years. Not that Woody leads a blatant, blaring ork. Quite to the contrary. The scores, whether ballad or be-The scores, whether ballad or be-bop riffer, are conceived with the best in modern jazz taste, with the bop sometimes flowing too freely for some customers' comforts. Credit the crew's cleffing staff topped by Ralph Burns for this. Execution is precise --with only a rare musical infraction showing. Credit a brilliant group of musicipus for this. And the hand's showing. Credit a brilliant group of musicians for this. And the band's volume thru an evening is controlled to the point where it isn't offensive, showing mainly on only the rarely performed band "heads" and Burns's instrumentals. Credit the leader for wisdom in calling the numbers.

Top-Notch Warbler

Woody, with a decade of band lead-ing behind him, has always been one of the trade's more personable and showmanly fronters. He is a top-notch warbler, possessing a warm jazz feeling and a rare sense of phrasing. And, tho he is not the greatest, Herman's clarinet and alto sax licks

add much to his fronting appeal. His chirp, Mary Ann McCall, is singing better than ever in her sev-eral years as a band vocalist and has developed into one of our top ork fem singers. Ernie Royal, former Lionel Hamptonite, is a trumpetooter of much distinction, specializing in of much distinction, specializing in hitting the high ones. Other soloists, most of them young boppers, Serge Chaloff, Earl Swope, Jack Simms, Stan Getz and James Raney, are good but not yet up to the level set by the Herman Herd of 1945. This isn't the most commercial of orks, nevertheless it plays music primarily designed for dancing. And —the music packs a mighty wallop! Hal Webman.

Cap Deals Post-Ban Tex Ritter "Cards"

HOLLYWOOD, May 1.-That there HOLLYWOOD, May 1.—That there are more ways than one to shuffle *A Deck of Cards* was evident when Capitol Records last week released post-ban a Tex Ritter disking of that narrative with instrumental backing. *Cards* has been climbing into best-seller prominence via author T, Texas Tyler's waxing for Four Star, be-lieved to have been the only pre-ban version on the market.

neved to have been the only pre-ban version on the market. RCA Victor issued an a capella plattering with Phil Harris and vocal quartet background. Capitol solved the problem by dubbing a pre-ban organ recording behind Ritter's reci-tation tation.

Carlos Molina

(Reviewed April 22 at the Hotel Biltmore, New York. Booked by Continental Artists Corporation.) VIOLINS: Archie Leon, Eugene Berger, John

Quartell SAXES: Renny Nunes, Marty Caruso, Hank

SAXES: Renny Nunes, Marty Caruso, Hank oyer, Al Hecker. TRUMPET: Waiter Kimmel. RHYTHM: Robert Vaz, piano; Luis Ramo, ass: Dave Rivera, drums. ARRANGERS: Buddy Dufault, Ramon Litee. LEADER (violin): Carlos Molina.

Outside of Cugat, come to think of

it, there's scarcely anyone who fits the specifications of a society rumba ork as does Carlos Molina's bunch. The distinguished-looking maestro offers music of both Americas in genteel tempos that strike a curiously satisfactory chord. A lot of class spots who'd go for Cugat but are wary of lesser L-A groups with hard, flashy rumba-samba beats should be tempted here. Certainly Molina's poise and pose aim at the class location. His schedule mixes straight fiddle-heavy Gershwin or Kern dinner music with a soft rumba-samba attack that avoids the biting brass. It's not modern or particularly sock stuff for the rumba extremist, but for the haut monde where the desire is to be quietly fashionable, not neces-sarily adept, this should be a perfect-ly acceptable crew.

Tailored in Taste

Molina's adaptation of the *Pearl-fisher* operatic aria is typical of his output; tailored in taste, it is sufficiently rumbaish to please the 400 belt. Bobby Rivera, featured with ficiently runnbaish to please the belt. Bobby Rivera, featured with the band, sings a bright, applause-worthy Latin ditty when called away from the maraccas chores. One point of advice: A pert gal with exotic Spanish features, and a bit of bounce in the Lina Romay mold would add just enough showiness to top off a gay yet dignified, formula. gay, yet dignified, formula.

Carlos hasn't been heard from much lately, but if the sights are set on the class targets, he should be able to gobble up a few of Cugat's booking nougats. Joe Carlton. nougats.

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Artie Shaw (Victor). A curious wrinkle turned up with the discovery that Columbia diskery, in all of its history, had never cut the ditty. The major label probably will remedy this omission via a batch of English cuttings now being imported from its Electric Musical Industries (EMI) source in England.

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Rickard Quits ARA; Says Katz Job 'Railroaded'

NEW YORK, May 1 .- The choice of Jack Katz as lawyer for the Ar-tists' Representative Association (ARA) to succeed the recently re-signed I. Robert Broder, bought charges of "railroading" by at least one member of the ARA's board of governors, after a meeting held Mon-day (26) at the Victoria Hotel.

day (26) at the Victoria Hotel. Al Rickard, recently elected board member, followed up his charge by resigning his post on the board and his membership in ARA, charging that the method used to choose Katz to do ARA's legal work "was strictly a railroad job." Bickard said that in a provious

to do ARA's legal work "was strictly a railroad job." Rickard said that in a previous meeting of the board it was decided to have a board committee sound out three lawyers for the job. The three to be talked to would be Katz, Lou Randell and Leonard' Lowenstein. The full board would then decided which one would get the nod subject to ratification by the full member-ship of ARA. "Instead," said Rickard, "we were told that Katz was the choice, and we never got a chance to vote. It was pointed out that Katz was proposed by Art Weems, of the Gen-eral Artists' Corporation, who han-dles Perry Como. Katz is also Como's personal manager. The proposal was seconded by Charley (Joe Glaser) Yates. Katz was Yates's lawyer when the latter was sued by Fred-erick Bros. for alleged violation of a contract. Katz's salary will be \$3,000 plus

a contract. Katz's salary will be \$3,000 plus expenses estimated to be about \$2,000. William Kent, ARA prexy, flatly denied Rickard's charge of "railroad-ing." "Rickard was at the meeting when the problem was discussed and everybody unanimously agreed on the choice of a lawyer. Rickard's resig-nation doesn't concern us. We didn't want him anyway," Kent said.

want him anyway," Kent said. AGVA Proposal Another point discussed at the meeting was the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) proposal that all ARA members file duplicate employment contracts with AGVA, giving salaries. The reason for the request was the union's desire to check up on cafe ops who had insuf-(See Rickard Quits ARA on page 52)

B'way - Capitol, Det., Set on Flesh Policy; Heidt After Kenton

DETROIT, May 1. — A definite switch-over of the Broadway-Capitol switch-over of the Broadway-Capitol Theater, 3,500-seater operated by the United Detroit Theater Circuit, to a stageshow policy featuring name bands, is set for May 7, with Stan Kenton as the opener. Kenton's booking was set sometime ago, but the follow-up roster of attractions was delayed, pending a decision over making this an experimental trial or a definite policy commitment. With the latter decided on, Horace Heidt has been booked in next, to be fol-lowed by the Harmonicats and Ella Fitzgerald. Fitzgerald.

Fitzgerald. This will be the first time the Broadway-Capitol has played a regu-lar stageshow policy in about 10 years, and the first time a downtown house has adopted it in about two years.

Can't They Double?

NEW YORK, May 1.—Some acts become hot thru design, others thru accident and still others thru agents' mistakes (?). Ray and Nardo were bought from Jerry Rosen, their agent, by George Clare, for the Vogue Room, Pittsburgh. Clare, who also books the Lepus Club, Pittsburgh, signed the team to open for him at the Lepus after

Pittsburgh, signed the team to open for him at the Lepus after they finished at the Vogue without notifying Rosen. Meanwhile Rosen sold them to Miles Ingalls for the Music Bar, Boston. On top of that, Leo Cohen, Rosen's Chi rep, figuring the team was open, set them for the Carnival, Minneapolis. All the jobs all three of them ware

the jobs, all three of them, were for the same date. P.S.—The act will take the Boston job.

Walker Branches Out

HARTFORD, Conn., May 1.—Ben Walker, who operates the London Terrace, New London, Conn., night spot, is branching out. He's acquired the Roadside Restaurant at Norwich, Conn. Benovations are planned for Conn. Renovations are planned for the location. He also runs the Cot-tage Dairy, Norwich, Conn.

IN SHORT

New York:

The Copa is bidding for Peggy Lee. . . Frankie Laine, getting \$4,600 per week pro rata for a 10-day job at Buffalo's Town Casino, was bought by Dario for \$1,250 (prior to Laine's Harem job). Dario asked to be let out of deal when he saw singer at the Paramount.

Johnny Singer, off on a long Coast vacation, hired Milton Berger to replace him. There's no deal for his sale in the office to Berger tho possibility isn't ruled out... Jane Harvey suffering from a bad case of burn from too long exposure to sun lamp.... Kay Thompson being dickered for by Philly Latin Casino.

Kay Starr opens at Cafe Society May 4. She records for Capitol. . . . William and Flora D'Albrew, dance team, due back here after a year's work in Paris and Monte Carlo. . . Monte Carlo, swank eatery, has returned to semi-name orks. Now has Dick Gasparre and Jose Curbello bands. . . . Al Morgan bought by Lou Walters for his Latin Quarter.

Dance teachers giving celeb nights in cafes will be required to show AGVA cards. Any club using teachers who don't have cards will be stopped. ... Theater bookers expect worst summer in years for vaude performers. ... Panama clubs will shutter and board up for first two weeks of May. Reason is country's national elections... Hal Thornton option at Maryland Club, Washington, picked up..., Danny Thomas wires "Kay Starr, opening Cafe Society May 4, is one of the greatest singers of our day."

Michel Rosenberg starts Western concerts May 9, with St. Louis as the jump off and ending in Vancouver. . . Joe Martino is the new Four A's-AGVA rep in Hartford, Conn. . . Martha Raye worked her last week at the Palladium, London, with a torn ligament in her foot. She worked in a sitting position on top of a piano, being carried on and off by her husband, Nick Condos.

Bill Kent is the new booker for Glen's Rendezvous. His first show will start in June. . . Ed Fishman-Billie Holiday case will have Chi repercussions. . . Last year's resort club date code is up for revamping with AGVA.

Philadelphia:

Matty and Jean Lombardo have taken over the Hi Hat Club, nabe nitery, changing name to Lombardo's Musical Bar... Leo Lawler, former manager of Babette's, Atlantic City cabaret, is now manager of the Chanticleer... Kitty Kallen's delayed opening at the Chateau Crillon set for May 10.

Charles Johnson, managing Powelton Caie, will be back as manager of Atlantic City's Club Harlem this summer..., Adolph Goldman, former manager of the Club Bali and Shangri-La, major niteries here, has taken over the Melody Inn, changing the name to Adolph's.

Here and There:

Line-up of the show at Ka-See's, Toledo club, was disrupted last week by the sudden death of Johnny Rullo, vocalist and trumpet soloist, of a heart attack.

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Directoire Starts Move; Little Niteries Bring Top Sales

By Bill Smith

By Bill Smith NEW YORK, May 1. — The East Side is rapidly becoming the one section in town going in for acts in the medium and low-priced field, and as such gives indication of being one area here where acts might get a break. The trend was actually started by Le Directoire when it opened with Kay Thompson. Of course, Thomp-son is big league stuff and comes high, but the fact that a new East Side room was doing business started other ops thinking. The Savoy-Plaza, which has been going along since 1943 with only The trend was actually started by Le Directoire when it opened with Kay Thompson. Of course, Thomp-son is big league stuff and comes high, but the fact that a new East Side room was doing business started other ops thinking. The Savoy-Plaza, which has been going along since 1943 with only music, came next when it put in Don Tannen and Johnny Thompson. Then came the Penthouse Club with Maxine Sullivan. Cafe James, a small room, made a pitch for the after-theater trade by bringing in

the increased competition in the inti-mate room category on the East Side is beginning to cut into their grosses. The Ruban Bleu has only about three or four months to go before the build-ing it's in is pulled down. So far Tony Mele, op of the club and also owner of Theodore's, the restaurant underneath the club, has no plans. It is likely, however, that he is busy looking for a new location. The rise of the intimate room is in direct ratio to the decline of the major rooms, which are strictly West Side operations. An op of a big barn

major rooms, which are strictly West Side operations. An op of a big barn with capacity has to buy names to fill his rooms. With scarcity of names still prevailing, the competi-tion becomes keener and keener and, without a name, at least one place, the Carnival, couldn't continue. It now runs week-end dances. As names got the big dough, the stand-ard and smaller acts had to take cuts. This meant that unless an act was lucky to get on the show with a big name it just didn't get a job.

Logical Area

Logical Area The East Side with its tiny rooms (the Copa is an exception—it's a West Side operation on the East Side) became the logical area for the smaller acts to find work. At least five rooms have opened, using any-thing from a single to three or four acts, and at least three more are be-(See EAST SIDE SMALL on page 52)

Lewis To Run Lake Tahoe Spot

HOLLYWOOD, May 1. — Sammy Lewis, former owner of Hollywood's Slapsy Maxie's nitery, closed a deal this week to take over operation of the new \$1,000,000 Tahoe Biltmore Hotel, Lake Tahoe, Nev. Lewis will lease spot in partnership with Nola Hahn, one-time operator of Clover Club and Trocadero bistros in Holly-wood. wood.

wood. Hotel is skedded to open June 22 with Emil Coleman's ork pacted for musical stint. Spot will use top budget shows, and Lewis is currently bidding for Danny Thomas as first attraction. Other toppers offered two-week stints include Lena Horne, Dorothy Shay and Jimmy Durante. Eddie Duchin may follow Coleman on the bandstand. the bandstand.

Swank hostelry includes 42 rooms, recreational facilities and gaming casino. Lewis and Hahn have a five-year lease on property.

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Slapsy Maxie's, Hollywood (Monday, April 26)

Capacity, 550. Price policy, \$3-\$4 minimum. Shows at 9 and 12. Owners, Sy and Charles Devore, Manager, Jerry Brooks. Booking policy, non-exclusive. Publicity, Marie Dyches. Esti-mated budget this show, \$10,000. Estimated budget last show, \$4,500.

This \$10,000 talent layout should biz Desi Arnaz, Jackie Miles, this \$10,000 tatent layout should do biz. Desi Arnaz, Jackie Miles, Jack Cole Dancers and Helen Forrest were parlayed into a closely knit bill with cntertainment value to give the club turnaway biz at the opening.

the club turnaway biz at the opening. Opening and closing slots went to the Cole dancers, making their third visit here within a year. The three boys and three gals are tops and earned a big mitt from ringsiders. Their precision interpretations of African and East Indian dances are arresting, each worked out to the smallest facial gesture. Use of ex-treme make-up, striking costumes, and effective ork background com-bined for top showmanship. Making his Coast bow, comic

Making his Coast bow, comic Jackie Miles had no trouble scoring. Lad's Eastern rep followed him, and not long after he took the floor payees began calling for his trademarked routines. Delivery, pace and timing are top flight, and the bulk of material was fresh, altho blue in spots. His monolog on Dick Tracy and a borscht circuit satire brought hefty payoffs. His clincher was a neat take-off on a Greenwich Village character doing Honeysuckle Rose.

Thrush Helen Forrest, working her Thrush Helen Forrest, working her first local nitery date, did okay with a group of varied tunes. Her best was *Nature Boy*, beautifully backed by full ork accompaniment. For nov-elty, an original, *I Had To Sing With a Band*, earned good response. Chirper reflected confidence and ex-perience perience.

Desi Arnaz doubled as emsee and held down his own spot. At the opening, the fronter was visibly nerv-ous and was suffering from laryngitis. Working under these handicaps the handsome amigo didn't quite project

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Mayfair Room, **Blackstone Hotel**, Chicago

(Friday, April 23) Capacity, 3.25. Price policy, \$1 cover and \$2 minimum. Shows at 9:15 and 11:45. Publicity, Evelyn Nelson. Operator, Kirkeby Hotels. Esti-mated budget this show, \$5,000.

Making his first night club appearance here in two years, Burl Ives proved one of the best singles the room has had in many a month. Ives sang his old favorites which, tho not fresh, were wholly enjoyable.

Forsaking his usual costume of battered hat, mackinaw and open-throat shirt for tie and jacket, in deference to the Mayfair Room, Ives, neverthe-less, completely changed the mood of the room into one befitting the aura of the open country. His success in capturing the audience was evident in that he often had the dowagers hum-ming to themselves and even got them to join in community singing.

Ives's habit of repetition is about Ives's habit of repetition is about the only fault to be found by the most critical. He should introduce at least one new number an en-gagement. His extensive repertoire would allow it and it might give his work a touch of freshness for added enjoyment. Cy Wagner.

his boyish, exhuberant personality. He tried hard all the way, tho, and scored with a flashy number spot-lighting his work on the bongo drums and a couple of easy-to-take novelty Latin tunes. More a showman than a polished balladeer, Arnaz should click under favorable circumstances. Dick Stabile directed the Arnaz ork (15) during show. Band cuts neat (15) during show. Band cuts neat Latin tempos for terpsters, but could add a few pops and standards. Allan Fischler.

Latin Quarter, Boston (Thursday, April 29)

Capacity, 400. Price policy, dinners \$2-\$4.50; minimum, \$2. Number of shows, two nightly, at 8 and 11:45. Operator, Michael Redstone. Booking, William Morris. Publicity, Frank Cronin. Estimated budget this show, \$6,000.

The current bill adds up to little more than a conventional evening's diversion, not very exciting at that. A couple of production numbers by a line of homely but agile girls, two specialty acts and a topper don't make a stunning entertainment without a star act or a whopping idea, and ideas

are scarce in the nitery business. The one saving grace of this bill is the solid musical backing of Ranny Weeks and his band. Weeks is a local crooner and fronter whose style, in music and patter, is a cut above the average. Weeks can introduce an act with wit and charm. He can sing a song with a better sense of style than most. He's been around for years and ought to be big-time, but he seems content to do his business here and do it woll and do it well.

Bali Opener

The show begins with a production number, designed (like all those here) by Dorothy Durben, after the Bali numbers of the Kraft Sisters, tepid, but pleasant. The lively Winter Sis-ters wind up with a photo finish routine in syncro-acrobatics which are eve-stopping.

eye-stopping. Al Morgan offers some fancy piano and old-time vocals. He has lots of selling power but no style. He op-erates without make-up and with a production-line manner. His material is okay but he needs direction. The show finishes with Al Bernie, comedian, working with a great deal of skill and technique over material

comedian, working with a great deal of skill and technique over material which would serve as a warm-up for most entertainers. It ain't good. Bernie is a mike eater. He has an easy but high-powered manner and ought to go places, for the years he's been around. But he should look for new writers. The relief band is Morey Saxe (piano, sax and rhythm), playing drab fill-ins. Service, food and presentation at the LO are first-rate. A shame the $e^{-} e^{-}$ iment rate. A shame the e^{-} . doesn't match the other } nment

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El Morocco, Montreal (Monday, April 26)

Capacity 275. Price policy, \$1.50 minimum. Shows at 8:30 and 12:30. Operator, Eddle Quinn. Publicity, Elmer W. Ferguson. Book-ing policy, William Morris Agency. Estimated budget this show, \$1,500. Estimated budget last show, \$1,250.

The return of Sonny Mars to this spot usually means a hypoing of biz, and the current appearance is no exception. Opening night all the usual ringsiders were in the expected places, and it looked like old times again.

While it's apparently true that Mars fans like their comedy brood, he is smart enough to inject clever satire that points up faults and foibles of nitery goers. It's clever psychol-ogy, as per example his stirring up of a fake feud between two customers-one who has plenty of loot and the other who hasn't. The comic at the one who has plenty of loot and the other who hasn't. The comic at the show caught, paced his punch lines in slick fashion. He took advantage of all situations, and if some line hap-pened to lay there, he followed quickly with a surefire topper. He had to beg off.

Norma Hutton

Warbler Norma Hutton, who for-merly fronted Buddy Clarke's ork and who has since gained some promin-ence in Canadian radio, took care of ence in Canadian radio, took care of the deuce well and showed improve-ment in poise and delivery. Perhaps more bounce tunes would help her keep chatter at a minimum. Blonde and beautiful tapster Phyliss Claire has everything in those

Beverly Hills Country Club, Newport, Ky.

(Friday, April 23)

Capacity: 700: lounge. 100. Price policy: Dinner from \$2.50; drinks from 55 cents; minimum, \$2, except Saturday, \$3. Floorshows at 8:30 and 12:30. Operator, Beverly Hills Company; Bernard Glatt, managing director; Hal Braudis, exploitation and promotion; Douglas M. Allen, publicity. Dottie White, art director. Booker, Frank Sennes, exclusive. Estimated budget this show, \$6,000; last show, \$5,550.

This super-duper class spot—which resumed March 26 after its annual three-month hiatus, sports three fair turns in its latest floor layout—Kenny Baker, Elizabeth Talbot-Martin, and Francis and Grey—but the deal lacks certain ingredients, notably sock comedy, to make it ideal nitery fare.

Jean Francis and Jerry Grey, in Jean Francis and Jerry Grey, in their so-called jungle dance, stamp themselves as novelty dancers of the first water. With the fem displaying unusual grace and litheness as a rep-tile; and the lad handling her in solid fashion, the pair reels off a corking novelty routine replete with nifty lifts, spins, slides and whirls to win fair response. The team appears lost working alone, however. With a pro-duction wrapped around them they could have scored inmeasurably better. better.

better. Elizabeth Talbot - Martin does a quality job with her comedy impres-sions, but her turn, in spots, is draggy and a bit old-hat. She needs a new set of carbon characters. Take-offs on the catty socialite, various-type nitery singers, Mrs. Roosevelt and Hildegarde are pretty familiar stuff and no longer exciting. Nevertheless, the audience recognized her talents and paid her well in mitting. Kenny Baker making his first.

and paid her well in mitting. Kenny Baker, making his first nitery appearance in nearly 15 years, demonstrates a grand set of pipes on such ditties as Gay Caballero, Now Is the Hour, Begin the Be-guine, Serenade of the Bells and I Had a Little Talk With the Lord, registering equally well with all of them to net a callback. Baker at times lacks the zip and dash in his styling necessary to hold attention, but he has only to re-learn a few tricks of singing to the nitery trade to overcome that difficulty. He pa-raded off to a sock applause. The popular Kathryn Duffy Danc-

The popular Kathryn Duffy Danc-ers (9), now in their fifth consecutive season here, continue to breathe life, season here, continue to breathe life, flash and production into the Beverly shows with their unusual routines, precious work and tasty wardrobe. They tie up this package with a flowery rhythm opener, which has Greta Mahan soloing and drawing plaudits with an interpretive eccen-tric, and a snappy waltz session, which has Christine Carson contrib-uting her usual outstanding ballet work. Barney Rawlings, singing emsee, has youth, appearance and a good voice, and turns in an A-1 job. Deke Moffitt, who knows his way

Deke Moffitt, who knows his way around when it comes to batoning a show stint, sports a brand-new combo (12)—the best of his career. Did excellently with the show music, while his new sweet style kept the dancers crowding the floor. Bill Sachs

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eyefilling gams to make her go far in the business. The gal, who teed off and who's been here before, garnered a hefty mitt with some slick routines that featured a seldom-seen slide step. Wally Wanger's new line of gals gave the show a pleasing lift in the in-between spots. The finale, on the East Indian idea, is particularly good.

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good. Buddy Clarke, fronting a well-disciplined ork, remains responsible for success of the show. Besides cut-ting the music in sock fashion, Clarke does bits with the comedian and generally heps up proceedings. Charles J. Lazarus.





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Chanticleer, Baltimore (Thursday, April 22)

Capacity, 300. Price policy, \$2 minimum. Shows at 10 and 12. Operator, New Chanti-cleer, Inc. Booker, William Morris Agency. Budget this show, \$4,400. Budget last show, \$4,500.

Opening last night, with Joey Adams, Tony Canzoneri, Mark Plant and Pat Rooney Sr. on deck, was aland Pat Rooney Sr. on deck, was al-most like a trip down memory lane. The white-haired Pat Rooney did all of his old numbers, highlighted by the standard Rosie O'Grady, and walked off to an ovation. Another walked off to an ovation. Another treat for the patrons was the presence of Pat Rooney Jr., in town with a legit show. He was brought up by Adams for an old-time buck and wing with Rooney Sr. and Adams to bring down the house.

Joey Adams Scores

Joey Adams Scores Joey Adams, in his own spot, scored well with his rapid delivery of nifty gags. Adams works with an assur-ance and a poise which keeps the gags. Adams works with an assur-ance and a poise which keeps the patrons with him continually. With the able assist of Tony Canzoneri, the comic kept ringing the bell with a never-ending stream of gags. To complete the threesome, Mark

Plant comes on to bear the brunt of Adams's sharp wit and, in his own right, to sell a couple of pleasing songs, with an especially good *Be-*guine. He has plenty of what it takes in the voice department and an easy guine. He has plenty of what it takes in the voice department and an easy, unhurried manner which win the payers completely. Plant also foils perfectly for Adams. The Donn Arden line spotted two colorful numbers, featuring Cecile Le-

win in some capable toe work. Lenny Hobbs and orchestra cut an expert show, with Raul DeCastro and His Rumbas alternating. James A. Carter.

Don Julio, New York (Thursday, April 29)

Capacity, 220. Price policy, \$2-\$3 minimum. Shows at 9, 12 and 2. Operator, Tony Colucci. Exclusive bookers, May Johnson-Al Herman. Estimated budget this show, \$1,400.

Considering the budget (which includes the music), the show runs nicely, with at least one act showing better than average potentials.

Triana and Monola, flamenco team, ex-Rosario and Antonio unit, gave a lurid performance with fire and imagination in two routines. The first was a classical Spanish number with typical heel clicks and heavy mugging. The second called for a mugging. The second called for a costume change, peasant outfits, with the youthful couple doing a firitation dance. The big crowd, out for a rumba festival run by Ann Lano and Geri Gerardo, gave Triana and Mon-ola a nice hand.

The Rafael Seijo Trio (male) us ing guitars did a nice job on Latin chants. The lads showed pleasant voices which blended effectively to win them heavy applause.

back up her appearance.

Virginia Ramos, soprano, tried hard with Spanish songs but showed little except a desire to please. Her warb-ling was forced and seemed to come from the throat rather than from the chest, resulting in a peculiar flatness of tone that was monotonous.

Pepi Costa, a good looking lad, emseed adequately in English (accented) and Spanish. In his own spot, he did a couple of songs showing a pleasant voice, rather good phrasing but little power. With more

phrasing but little power. With more experience he might do better. Lazaro Quintero's ork played for the show in good enough fashion. It was its rumba beats, however, that got the results. The Rafael Seijo Trio, relieved for dancing. Bill Smith.

Encore, New York (Wednesday, April 28)

Capacity, 125. Price policy, \$3-\$4 minimum. Shows at 10 thru 2:30. Operator, Carlo Noya. Booking, non-exclusive; publicity, Betty Lee Hunt. Estimated budget this show, \$1,600.

The new room, a restaurant during the day, apparently opened in a hurry. The paint smell was still in the air. But outside of the initial confusion of too many customers trying to jam the tiny room, the show ran smoothly, and acts ranged from excellent to adequate.

The hit, and by far the best act on the bill, was Mervyn Nelson. We haven't caught this lad in many years. His improvement was sur-prising. His routine consists of satirical take-offs of mythical, and not so mythical, characters, each a gem of hilarity. his best, tho probably not highly commercial, was the fast-talkhighly commercial, was the fast-talk-ing agent with a phone booth as an office. The lad has split-second tim-ing, hitting a gag or a piece of business with consummate skill for sock results. Based on his showing here, Nelson's ready for almost any kind of spot. His pliable face (he muggs like Harry Ritz) would make him a natural for video.

The Deep River Boys (4) doubling from the Strand, almost stopped the show with their four-part harmonies. The lads did their Victor recording numbers, each one getting top hands.

Martha Short

Martha Short, light skinned canary, showed good possibilities in a pleasshowed good possibilities in a pleas-antly husky, but clear voice, tho she was stymied by nervousness and lack of salesmanship. She did torcheroos all the way, but constant fare (five numbers) all in the same tempo tended toward monotony. A better choice of songs, with more attention to change of pace, would help her. Miss Short is an attractive gal with a whistle provoking chassis. What she needs now is experience and han-dling. dling.

Pierre Cartier is a good magician Pierre Cartier is a good magician apparently trying to add comedy to his act. His objective is commend-able, but his delivery and material are hardly adequate. His chatter, all in a French accent, is slow, seldom building up to anything more than a polite titter. His best was the egg-in-a-glass trick, but even that one could stand hypoing. The Codvic Walloca Tric did are

The Cedric Wallace Trio did excellently behind the acts and were well received in their own spot. The group's music is pleasant without being noisy. The numbers included good arrangements of current pops tho stress was made on standards.

Abbey Albert, a good-looking lad, emseed in okay fashion, also doing a turn on the keyboards for the lulls. Bill Smith.

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Mediation Panel Set, After Det. Union Ado, **To Settle New Fights**

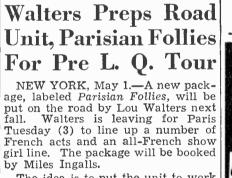
DETROIT, May 1.-The aftermath of the fracas over union and non-union acts at the Stevadora and Ship cafes, was the formation last week of cales, was the formation last week of an all-industry mediation panel to handle future labor disputes in the cabaret field here. The situation started with the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) directly in-volved in the Ship controversy and spread to include other unions.

The new board includes both management and unions and is aimed to prevent future disputes from reach-ing the strike stage with attendant loss of business.

loss of business. Controversies will be handled by the Michigan Table Top Congress, which intervened to settle the Ship dispute after three weeks of picket lines, which resulted in almost com-plete loss of business, dropping down to \$12 on a Sunday night.

Representatives on the mediation panel to take up any future issue if it cannot be settled otherwise, are Jack Ferentz, president, Detroit Fed-eration of Musicians; Tom Carney, bartenders' union; Billy Grubbs, national representative of AGVA; Al Renner, waiters and cooks' union chief, who is also State Federation of Labor president, and representing the Table Top group, Earl Hebert, Ted Gilbert, Charley White and Bill Dickinson.

The move was taken by the Table Toppers themselves as a step to pro-tect their own members from getting too far involved in such an affair again.



The idea is to put the unit to work in theaters and possibly one-nighters all over the country, keeping it on the road for a number of months. Once it jells and becomes established, it will be brought into Walters' Latin Ouarter Quarter.

The package will do about two and half hours on roadshows and will cost about \$75,000 to produce.

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NEW YORK, May 1.—Opening of new shows helped vaude-pic grosses a little last week, tho the long-run exiting bill at the Capitol and a dis-appointing take at the Roxy cut into the over-all figures. The total gross for five houses was \$383,000. Last week's figure was \$357,000. Radio City Music Hall (6,200 seats; average \$115,000) opened to a big \$137,000 for' its play-off of State of the Union and Bob Williams. Paramount (3,645 seats; average \$76,000) attracted a tidy \$100,000 for its preem with Duke Ellington, Ella Fitzgerald and The Big Clock. Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$89,000) NEW YORK, May 1.-Opening of |

Fitzgeraid and *The Big Clock.* Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$89,000) ran into a snag with its second and final week of Ed Wynn and *Scooda Hay.* The take was \$54,000 for the week, a five-dayer, against a tepid

opening of \$65,000. The new bill, reviewed this issue, has Larry Adler, Paul Draper, Gali-Gali and Anna Karenina.

Capitol (4,627 seats: average \$66,-000) wound up its eight-weeker with 000) wound up its eight-weeker with \$50,000 against the previous frame's \$64,000. The show started off with Tex Beneke's band, Martin and Lewis and Naked City. Later the Slate brothers went in for Martin and Lewis who left for the Copa. The new bill, reviewed this issue, has Xavier Cugat's band, Harvey Stone, Rose Murphy and Homecoming. Strand (2.700 seats: average :\$40.-

Kose Murphy and Homecoming. Strand (2,700 seats; average \$40,-000) polled \$42,000 for its second week with Cab Calloway, Pearl Bailey and To the Victor. Previous and opening week saw \$58,000.

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RKO Albee, Cincinnati (Friday Afternoon, April 30)

Capacity, 3,200 seats. Price policy, 50, 65 and 85 cents. Four shows daily; five on week-ends. House booker, Dan Friendly. Show played by Deke Moffitt's house ork.

This package, compactly pieced to-gether, is one of the strongest vaude gether, is one of the strongest vaude bills to hit town in a long time. With the portly comic-emsee, Jack E. Leonard, jockeying each turn into position in easy elegance, show jells from the outset, which has the limber-bodied Maribeth Olds clicking hand-somely with speedily executed con-tortionistics. Her closing table rock hits patrons between the eyes and she cartwheels away a solid winner. Helene and Howard intersperse fast-moving ballroom knockabouts

with neat story telling that proves all to the good. New tosses, lifts and spins have been incorporated into the turn, with the gal doing plenty of the turn, with the gal doing plenty of the heavy work in addition to grabbing chuckles with her screwball antics. Their outlandish jitterbug bit booted them home in top style. The comely Shirley Ross comes up with an imaginative routine that's as commercial as a crisp five-dollar bill.

Had them in her palm with the pops as well as the more nostalgic throat-ing of oldies of the Nora Bayes, Ruth Etting and Helen Morgan era. Dis-plays versatility with ace keyboard-ing of *Cumana*, accompanied by solid Latin lyricizing on the recall to wow

Latin lyricizing on the recall to wow 'em. "Leonard the Load," as the jocular 300-pounder refers to himself, sur-passes his own sock emsee work in his next-to-closing slot. His easy style clicks immediately and his new bag of clean and smart chatter gets top results. Works like a beaver thruout and displays a good bary at the getaway on several numbers. Also wows 'em with various take-offs. best wows 'em with various take-offs, best of which are a mammy-singer con-vulser, his Sidney Greenstreet, Fred Astaire, and a spinning-top turn. Begged off.

Begged off. Mere mention of the Four Mills Brothers, headliners, brought howls of glee from the three-quarter house, and their four-part precision harmony found its way home to appreciative ears. Did their pleasantly styled ver-sion of Manana, Till Then and Paper Doll, and couldn't leave until they did their jived-up tonsiling of Lazy River that kept palms pounding long after the curtain dronped. Quartet works the curtain dropped. Quartet works with its usual enthusiasm and competence.

Deke Moffitt ork cut its usual sock show.

now. Pic, That's My Man. Bob Doepker.

Capitol, New York (Thursday, April 29)

Capacity, 4,627. Price policy, 70 cents-\$1.50. Number of shows, five daily; six Saturdays. House booker, Sidney Piermont. Show played by Xavier Cugat's band.

If the flicker Homecoming holds up, the show should be here for at least four weeks. The stage show is ex-cellent, opens fast, keeps a hot pace thruout and closes equally fast. As a stage package, it has lots of zip and

plenty of entertainment appeal. Xavier Cugat, in with 22 people, hits those Latin tunes with a bounce that had the audience all ears. His that had the audience all ears. His pleasant blending of brass and mar-imbas builds very well for customer appeal on tunes that range from standard rumbas to a mombo. As a fronter Cugat's ad lib effect has an infectious charm which isn't lost on the house. The band's biggest num-bers were its *Manana*, with special lyrics calling for many sidemen to come down front for a quickie, and *Jungle Rumba*. In the latter, the musical build-up is exciting with a flute solo being a standout.

musical build-up is exciting with a flute solo being a standout. Harvey Stone got them with an opening line, "its a financial pleasure to be here," and held them that way. His wife routine payed off with yocks, but it was his standard army thing that really rocked them. The latter is now a Stone label, and, tho he's been trying to shed it, he does it so well and has every bit down so it so well and has every bit down so pat, that it's as commercial as a sawbuck. Stone is a vastly improved comic. For his present stand he's trimmed his act, perhaps trimmed it too much, but it means a yock-filled 10 to 14 minutes that rings the top of the laughmeter.

The laughmeter. Rose Murphy in her first Stem theater date did surprisingly well. The gal, usually associated with intimate niteries because of her small voice, was well presented. The piano, on a movable platform, came down front, and the gal went to work. Her tittering giggle got responsive laughs from the start, and when her small high pitched voice hit them, they were hers. Miss Murphy's piano-ing is beautiful. She plays that Steinway in a casual fashion some-what like Bing Crosby sings—easy, pleasant and highly infectious. The gal's vocal numbers included her *Time on My Hands* and Cecilia. Her Can't Give You Anything But Love got opening mitts from an audience

Can't Give You Anything But Love got opening mitts from an audience obviously familiar with her Majestic disk. The big mitt she wound up to almost stopped the show. The Garcias (boy and girl) did a standard series of Latin dances to good applause. The kids looked young, fresh and were attractively costumed. The boy's glass-of-water-on-the-head bit got good wind-up hands. hands.

hands. Norma, new band maracca shaker, who does a couple of vocal bars, adds a lot of eye-appeal to the band. Her sleek chassis and dark, sexy look make an excellent foil for the band, which incidentally is as colorful as a rainbow. Bill Smith.

with a regular show policy, strategic-ally located inside Dearborn but close to the line, which enjoyed this unique experience when daylight saving was adopted in Detroit, while Dearborn stand on the clower time Dearborn stayed on the slower time Dearborn stayed on the slower time for several months. During that period, the Dearborn places devel-oped a good following of showfolk, bartenders and other tavern staffs who swarmed into them after their own places closed own places closed.



Roxy, New York (Tuesday, April 27)

Capacity 6,000. Price policy, 80 cents-\$1.50. Number of shows, four daily. House booker, Sammy Rauch. Show played by Paul Ash's house band.

House has gone slightly longhair with this show, but the customers still found enough entertainment to their liking to send several acts off their liking to send several acts off with big hands. Show begins with the male chorus of 25, dressed in Western costumes, giving forth with the *Ranger Song*. The chorus is smooth and easy to listen to in its several numbers and sets a fine at-mosphere for Hollace Shaw to follow with *Joing Call*

with Indian Love Call. Backed vocally by the chorus, the thrush showed a sweet tone tho on high notes used her falsetto too much. The Roxyettes, costumed as Indians, followed in a jazzed up version of followed in a jazzed up version of Indian Summer doing several tap routines. The song didn't seem to lend itself to the stepped up tempo.

Gali-Gali is a clever hand at magic but most of it was lost in this large theater. His shell trick went okay, but it was the chicken bit with two volunteers from the audience and several swift sleight-of-hand maneuvers with a \$5 bill that received the biggest hand.

Larry Adler and Paul Draper man-aged to combine dance with music effectively. Adler furnishes the har-monica background for Draper's initial dance pattersn, then leaves the stage to Draper, returning later for his own spot. They close as a combo with Adler doing an all request num-

with Adler doing an all request num-ber to which Draper does a series of mixed tempo terps. The effect was interesting as well as amusing, get-ting heavy applause all the way. Adler's top audience number is still Enesco's Roumanian Rhapsody, while his patter and his arrange-ments of When Day Is Done are equally good. Draper does an inter-pretation of a political speech in dance with a baby kissing and a tight rope walking bit that satirizes machine politicans. Paul Ash cuts the show smoothly. Pic: Anna Karenina. Pic: Anna Karenina.

Leon Morse.



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AE Seeks City OK on Outdoor Legit in Parks

(Continued from page 3) Five performances would be given each week, making allowances for nights when it might rain. The schedule would include mostly light, penulous compute hout a mostly light.

schedule would include mostly light, popular scripts, but a musical might be tossed in for a change of pace. It is estimated that about \$50,000 is needed for the stages, generators for lights, rehearsal salaries and am-plifiers. Once the project is estab-lished it might be possible to make it a yearly operation for the people of the city. The Equity committee consists of Eddie Nugent and Kathryn Givney. Givney.

52d St. Theater **Files To Reorg**

NEW YORK, May 1.—A voluntary petition to reorganize the West 52d Street Theater, Inc., which operates a theater at 245 West 52d Street, was theater at 245 West 52d Street, was filed in Federal Court here Tuesday (27). The petition states that the property is valued at \$1,172,440 and that it is assessed by the city at \$650,000. It says that there are no unsecured creditors excepting the debenture holders of real estate cu-mulative bonds, which amount to \$592,000 at 6 ner cent interest falling solution to bonds, which amount to \$592,000 at 6 per cent interest, falling due today (May 1). These debenture holders, however, are secured by a second mortgage held by Dorsar En-terprises, Inc., and the unpaid balance on the mortgage amounts to \$552,-000 000

The petition makes no statement The petition makes no statement as to who the other (secured) cred-itors are, or what the assets and lia-bilities of the petitioners are. It states, however, that the petitioner was a wholly owned subsidiary of the Thea-ter Guild until April of 1940.

Catch This! Inside U. S. A., the musical starring Beatrice Lillie and Jack Haley, opened on the Stem too late for the review to appear in this section. The review will be found on page 4 of this issue.

To Transplant 'Seeds' to Stem

NEW YORK, May 1. — Michael Myerberg will produce Arthur Good-man's Seeds in the Wind, the first script to be presented by the Invita-tional Theater, at the Mansfield Thea-ter sometime in May. The same cast will be retained article the direction of the same cast will be retained, as will the director, Paul Tripp.

Danny Larkin, by James Vincent McGree, the second play of the series, opens May 8 at the Lenox Hill Play-house with Susan Douglas and John Sylvester playing the leads. Shain is directing. Carl

For the fifth play of the series the Invitational Theater has selected Hallie Flanagan's E-MC2, the script about the atomic bomb employing the living newspaper technique. The play will be presented in June.

Detroit Light Opera Heads

DETROIT, May 1 .--- Leo J. Fitz-DETROIT, May 1.—Leo J. Fitz-patrick, radio executive and former general manager of WJR, has been re-elected president of the Detroit Civic Light Opera Association, which just closed its sixth season at the Masonic Temple. Earl J. Hudson, president of the United Detroit Thea-ter chain, was elected vice-president; other new officers are Joseph L. Hickey, secretary, and Edward C. Stephenson, treasurer.

Wallace Quits "Examiner"

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.—Kevin Wallace resigned this week as drama editor of *The Examiner*. He has been succeeded by Hortense Morton, who was his assistant. Wallace will join the editorial staff of *The Chronicle*.

Starting Gun Fired on Stem For 1948 Donaldson Awards

By Bob Francis

NEW YORK, May 1.—Official start-ing gun for the Fifth Annual Donaldson Awards was fired Tuesday (27) when the 1947-1948 Awards Committee met at Sardi's restaurant to dis-cuss final preparations for the balloting on the yearly accolades which have come to be regarded as the Oscars of the legitimate theater.

Sponsored over the last five years by The Billboard and named in honor of its founder, William H. Don-aldson, the Donaldson Awards are unique among other seasonal recog-nitions of "bests" in theatrical achievment. Presentation of the gold keys and scrolls stems from the judgment and scrolls stems from the Judgment of no limited group, but from a demo-cratic consensus of the people who should know best—everybody who has a hand in the making of a Broad-way season. Everyone, from stagehands to critics, is entitled to vote his

Rosen, Grosberg Plan Montclair, N. J., Stock

NEW YORK, May 1.—Al Rosen and Lassor Grosberg are opening the 1,200-seat Montclair Theater, Mont-claire, N. J., as a summer theater, be-ginning the first week in June. The producers will run the house on a star policy, with other actors jobbed. Ducats will be priced at a \$2.40 top during the week and an additional 60 cents on week-ends. At these prices the house can gross over 19G at capacity. The weekly operation will cost about \$7,500. If biz holds up, the theater will keep open all year. For Broadway in the fall Rosen and Grosberg have skedded a revival of *What Price Glory* with Victor McLaglen and Edmund Lowe. An-other script on their production cal-endar is a new version of *Salome*

which George Seldes is adapting for them.

preferences in the 27 categories cov-ering practically every phase of legit achievement. In consequence, the Donaldson keys and scrolls actually are the sole annual awards made by the theater as a whole to its own.

Ballots Out Soon

Ballots Out Soon Eligibility lists containing the casts and credits of every legit production which has preemed on Broadway from June 1, 1947, thru April 30, 1948, are in preparation, and these, to-gether with the ballots, will be dis-tributed to the voters in about two weeks. Any listed play, actor or technician whose contribution falls within one of the categories on the ballot is a candidate for honors. Deadline for the closing of the polls

Deadline for the closing of the polls Deadline for the closing of the polls has been set for June 12, and all bal-lots, which will be stamped and self-addressed to the Donaldson Awards Committee, must be in the mail on or before that date. Thereafter, as soon as a tabulation is made, the winners, as usual, will receive their awards via a coast-to-coast radio hook-up. From their beginning the Donald-

From their beginning the Donald-son Awards have had the unqualified support of all branches of legit show business. Serving on this year's com-mittee are Henry Fonda and Nanette Fabray, representing the actors and actresses; Virginia Gorski and Har-old Lang, acting for the dancers; Lawronce Langton for the nucleus Lawrence Langner, for the producers, and Ward Morehouse, for the critics. The theatrical unions are represented by Clarence Derwent, Actors' Equity; Ruth Richmond, Chorus Equity; Nor-man Miller, stage managers; John McDowell, stagehands; Oliver Sayler, press agents and managers; Morrie Seamon, treasurers; Woodman Thompson, scenic designers, and Robert Byrne, costume designers, and Rob-ing for *The Billboard* are Roger S. Littleford Jr. and William D. Little-ford, publishers; Joseph Csida, editor-in-chief, and Robert Francis, drama editor.

Record "Annie" Melbourne Kun

MELBOURNE, Australia, May 1.-Having broken all record runs for a Having broken all record runs for a musical comedy here, Annie, Get Your Gun is scheduled to close its local season at His Majesty's May 12 after a run of 44 weeks. The show will move to Adelaide in South Aus-tralia and will be succeeded by the Cecily Cortneidge show, Under the Counter, which has just run up a record in Sydney. The legit boom looks to hold up.

The legit boom looks to hold up, with Jack Buchanan and Robert Morley expected in Australia toward the end of the year. Peter Gray is to stage Noel Coward's *Present Laughter* at the Princess.

Aussie Schools For the Stage

SYDNEY, May 1.—Actors and An-nouncers Equity (Equity) proposes to open two full-time schools for the training of Australian actors, radio

training of Australian actors, radio announcers, producers, directors, playwrights and stage technicians within the next few months. One will be in Sydney, one in Melbourne. The schools will cover 39 subjects. Applicants for the course will be required to hold an intermediate certificate or pass an examination keyed to that standard. The term will be three years, with touring company experience to follow. Classes will run from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. so that students can take outside jobs.

The Fifth Annual Donaldson Awards Committee



SERVING ON THE 1947-1948 COMMITTEE (reading from left to right) are: Clarence Derwent, president, Actors' Equity; Nanette Fabray, "High Button Shoes"; Henry Fonda, "Mister Roberts"; Virginia Gorski and Harold Lang, "Look Ma, I'm Dancin"; Lawrence Langner, Theater Guild; Ward Morehouse, drama critic, New York Sun; Oliver Saylor, representing press agents; Woodman Thompson, the scenic designers; Robert Byrne, the costume designers; Norman Miller, the stage managers; Robert Francis, drama editor, The Billboard. Also on the committee, but unable to be present, are: Ruth Richmond, Chorus Equity; Morrie Seamon, treasurers; John McDowell, stagehands; and, for The Billboard, Roger S. Littleford Jr. and William D. Littleford, publishers, and Joseph Csida, editor-in-chief.

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TRADE

BROADWAY OPENINGS

THE PLAY'S THE THING |HOLIDAY ON BROADWAY (Opened Wednesday, April 28)

BOOTH THEATER

After 20 years one might expect the bloom to be off the peach which is the climactic piece de resistance of Molnar's slicky lacquered comedy. It is pleasant to report that such is far from the case and that The Play's the Thing, while hardly registering as daring as back in 1926, still rates as sophisticated, chucklesome entertain-ment. Gilbert Miller's canny di-rection successfully points up the lat-ter, and the fun is kept sharply in focus via an almost universally ex-cellent cast. There is no reason why the revival shouldn't settle down to a solid run at the Booth.

For purposes of memory refresh-ment, *Play* makes use of the old playment, *Play* makes use of the old play-within-a-play device. This time it's used to cover up the amorous didoes of a sexy prima donna and get her back in the graces of her fiance. It all boils down to the successful efforts of a cynical playwright to allay the suspicions of his young composer and give an aging thespian Lothario his comeuppance. He is not in the least altruistic, since unless his composer and leading lady are reconciled, his latest musical opus is down the sink. Molnar has woven this frothy nonsense into a slicky patterned comedy with a denouement which is sock fun, particularly if the customer doesn't know what's coming.

Production Not Stinted

Miller hasn't stinted on the pro-duction or cast. Oliver Messel has devised a handsome set, properly lighted by Ralph Alswang. Louis Cal-hern is a happy choice for the suavely, envised a plouwight writing average cynical playwright, wringing every ounce of fun out of Molnar's brittle, humorous situations. He gets more than an able assist from such excel-lent players as Arthur Margetson, Francis Compton, Ernest Cossart and Francis Compton, Ernest Cossart and Claud Allister. Margetson is enor-mously funny as a vain, aging actor. Compton makes the most of an ubiquitous waiter and Cossart and Allister add sharply amusing con-trasts as the playwright's collaborator and a flatulent British secretary. Faye Emerson makes her Stem debut as the lady in the area with considerable Emerson makes her Stem debut as the lady in the case with considerable credit. Her early scenes leave much to be desired due to lack of experi-ence; she is not precisely what Mol-nar would order as a tempestuous, sophisticated operetta star. However, the is overedirghy decorative and she is exceedingly decorative and steadily improves throut the pro-ceedings and is at her best in her last act scene with Margetson. Richard Hylton contributes earnestly as her suspicious fiance.

her suspicious hance. In sum, as Miller and his players do it, *Play* adds up to a worthy re-vival. Despite its age, there are no soft spots in Molnar's peach. It is wel-come, if belated, addition to the Stem scene. Bob Francis.

Stock Drive in San Fran

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.—The San Francisco Theater Association announced this week it will go after \$150,000 as a starting ante to main-\$150,000 as a starting ante to man-tain a professional stock company for at least one season. It is hoped the balance will be realized from the plays via b.o. take and subscriptions. According to Arthur C. Farlow, chairman of the fund raising com-mittee, the first show skeds for some time in February.

(Opened Tuesday, April 27) MANSFIELD THEATER Α

revue. Company manager, Al Rosen. Stage manager, Tom Ward. Press repre-sentative, Dick Weaver. Presented by Al Wilde.

Wilde. CAST: Billie Holiday, Slam Stewart, Cozy Cole, Bobby Tucker, Wyatt and Taylor, John Collins, Beryl Booker.

Holiday on Broadway, starring jazz chanteuse Billie Holiday, is billed as an intimate revue. It adds up to an intimate concert party with the blues chanting top-slot backed by a trio of instrumental swing contributions. Doubtless it will give the hep con-Doubtless it will give the hep con-tingent a hefty boost of blood pres-sure, judging from preem-night cries and squeals of ecstasy. However, de-spite the fact that all performers are earfully top-drawer in their lines, Holiday is still something for clubs and pop concert halls. It's a thin and pop concert halls. It's a thin evening for Stem theater trade—particularly at a \$3.60 top.

La Holiday, of course, has a style which is peculiarly her own—a sort of obbligato which follows the melody as it happens to see fit, but melody as it happens to see fit, but which blends effectively into throw-away climaxes. Her perfected throw-away delivery is likewise effective and it is easy to understand her popularity. However, it is a style that tends to monotony, when taken in large doses, and with Holiday the average customer gets too much. She divides her rep into two groups-"show" songs and "mood" songs-half as much as she offered of either would be plenty and a smart trick would be plenty and a smart trick would be to interpolate the Bobby Tucker Quintet, which back-stops her accompaniment-wise, for a fast num-ber or two on their own. Strange Fruit and Miss Brown To You rated tops on this reporter's ear.

Stewart and Cole Shine

Bob Wyatt and Billy Taylor open the proceedings with a combo of organ and piano. Both are expert technicians and Wyatt's Hammond operation, both by hand and by foot, operation, both by hand and by foot, is something to watch. High points of the instrumental portion of the show, however, are furnished by Slam Stewart and Cozy Cole. Stewart is one of the top-notch ma-nipulators of the bull fiddle in the business. He can do things with a fiddle bow while chunnering and humming to himself that are nobody's business. Either solo or fronting his trio guitar (John Collins), piano trio, guitar (John Collins), piano (Beryl Booker), he is sock. Cole obliges with a drum rhapsody, with the Tucker Quintet ably backing up the pace. Use of Strobolite on traps is effective salesmanship for his flying sticks.

It would be pleasant to report that Holiday signposts a successful op-portunity for 52d Street to move onto the Stem now that there is a vacant theater or two. But such a move will have to be juiced with considerably more showmanship than goes on at the Mansfield. Swing or no, Broadway won't pay for a concert. Bob Francis.

Leventhal's 2d Plea Nixed by AE Council

NEW YORK, May 1 .--- Equity council has turned down a second request from Jules Leventhal that he be al-lowed to play 10 performances and rehearse his actors without salaries, the conditions prevailing last season, on his subway circuit productions this year. The manager uses the Windsor Theater in the Bronx and the Flatbush Theater in Brooklyn for his circuit. Several times last summer Anna Lucasta grossed 14G even with the low ducat prices pre-vailing at his houses. cil has turned down a second request

Perforn	nances T	hru
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Dram	as	
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A Streetcar Named De- sire	12- 3, '47	173
(Barrymore) Born Yesterday	. 2- 4, '46	944
Command Decision (Fulton)	.10- 1, '47	245
Cup of Trembling, The. (Music Box)	. 4-20, '48	15
For Love or Money	11- 4, '47	207
(Henry Miller) Harvey	. 11- 1, '44	1,478
(48th Street) Heiress, The	9-29, '47	249
Joy to the World (Music Box)	3-18, '48	52
Macbeth	3-31, '48	37
(National) Man and Superman (Hudson)	10- 8, '47	237
	2-26, '48	· 76
Medea	10-10, '47	203
(Alvin) Respectful Prostitute,	· 2-18, '48	85
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BROADWAY

SHOWLOG

From Trenton to Camden, The...... 3-16, '48 (Cort)

Strange Bedfellows..... 1-14, '48 (Morosco)

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Allegro 10-10, '47	235
(Majestic)	
Angel in the Wings 12-11, '47	163
(Coronet) Annie, Get Your Gun 5-16, '46	820
(Imperial)	
Brigadoon 3-13, '47	476
(Ziegfeld)	565
Finian's Rainbow 1-10, '47 (46th Street Theater)	000
	236
High Button Shoes 10- 9, '47	% 30
(Century) Look, Ma, I'm Dancing 1-29, '48	108
(Broadhurst)	
Oklahoma 3-13, '43	2,292
(St. James)	
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CLOSED Winslow Boy, The..... 10-29, '47 (Empire) Saturday (1)

COMING UP (Week of May 3, 1948)

Hold It	5-	5, '48	
(National) Sally	5-	6, '48	
(Martin Beck)			

Alchemist, The..... 5- 6, '48 (City Center)

ANTA Seeks Daly Theater

NEW YORK, May 1.—The Ameri-can National Theater and Academy (ANTA) is investigating the possi-bility of purchasing the Daly Theater bility of purchasing the Daly Theater on 63d Street from its owners. The house hasn't been used in a good many years and would need exten-sive renovation to get into shape. The owners have asked \$200,000, but where the price is shaved considerunless the price is shaved consider-ably ANTA, the trade reports, would not be interested. However, there is a possibility that the final asking price might be considerably lower.

Aker Heads S. F. Coliseum

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., May 1.— Allan P. Aker, former movie op, has been named manager of the Sioux Falls Coliseum to succeed the late Fred Beecher, who filled the post for nearly 20 years. Aker was booking rep for several dance bands for sev-eral years.

'Annie,' D. Moines, Pulls 75G

DES MOINES, May 1.-Missing DES MOINES, May 1.—Missing 75G by only a buck and a quarter, Annie Get Your Gun, with Mary Martin grossed \$74,998.75 for eight shows at the KRNT Radio Theater here. The show wound up with a net of \$61,500 for six nights and two matinees in the 4,200-seat theater.

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SEEDS IN THE WIND

(Opened Saturday, April 24) LENOX HILL PLAYHOUSE

Drama by Arthur Goodman. Directed by Paul Tripp. Stage manager, Thelma Chandler. Produced by Mcc Hack for the Invitational Experimental Theater.

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	Stefan JakubecTonio Selwart TonyaCy . Chermak
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;	CarlDavid Burke FranzMichael Citro
	NikosBobby Nick
	BorisStanley Martin MartaAbby Bonime
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	LizaEeta Linden PhillipaWinnie-Mae Martin
	Maminkoo Lee Graham

Altho Arthur Goodman's Seeds in the Wind is an excellent choice with which to break in the Experimental which to break in the Experimental Theater's invitational program of new script presentations, the play does not rate for Broadway. It is easy to see why *Seeds* received several op-tions, because it carries the nucleus of a sound idea. However, Good-man did not follow thru in his exe-cution cution.

The drama tells of a group of child The drama tells of a group of child survivors of the Lidice massacre who believe their elders are responsible for wars and decide to reject the world of grown-ups to set up their own society. Into their midst wanders an old soldier whose every kind action is misunderstood and suspected.

It Doesn't Add Up

The idea seems material more fit for a fantasy than realistic treat-ment. When the play comes to grips with reality and the kids try arguing logically for their plan, the answers don't stack up. Goodman has also injected a youthful love interest—so youthful that it is almost embarrassing.

The play is helped materially by The play is helped materially by two sound performances by Tonio Selwart and Abby Bonime. Several younger thesps, including Jerry Stone, David Burke, Stanley Martin and Lee Graham, are also assets. How-ever, in a key role Cy Chermak proves himself sadly in need of ex-nerience perience.

Paul Tripp turns in an effective job of directing. The play did not suffer from being presented on a practically bare stage. The values in the work, both good and bad, registered Leon Morse.

55 Pa. Communities Slap Tax on Gates

HARRISBURG, Pa., May 1.-Fiftyfive municipalities in Pennsylvania so far have adopted local amusement so far have adopted local amusement tax ordinances under a 1947 State law which permits them to levy a tax on anything the Commonwealth did not see first. An additional 32 are considering an admish tax, accord-ing to the Pennsylvania State Cham-ber of Commerce, which terms the amusement levy "the most popular new revenue source with local of-ficials."

Among the 87 local units which have taxed or are planning to tax amusements are Pittsburgh, 22 third-class cities, 49 boroughs, 6 first-class townships, 8 school districts and the town of Bloomsburg.

In most cases the tax covers all amusements for which tickets are sold. About two-thirds of the local governments have set the take at 10 per cent, the others lower.

The City of Reading expects to get \$260,000 a year from its 10 per cent grab on admissions; Meadville City, \$45,000, and Pottstown Borough, \$28,000.

Out-of-Town Opening

SLEEPY HOLLOW SHUBERT THEATER, NEW HAVEN, CONN.

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 Greta
 Jo Sullivan

 Hilda
 Robin Sloan

 Margaret
 Sylvia Lane

 Withelmina
 Ellen Repp

 Bertha
 Margaret Ritter

 Elizabeth
 Janice Sprei

 Conscience
 Ty Kearney

 Indian
 Ken Remo

 Cotton Mather
 William Mende

 Siren
 Dorothy Bird

 DANCERS: Aza Bard, Clara Corderey, Ann

 Dinbar, Kate Friedlich, Saida Gerrard, Car

 Sundsten, Alex Dunaeff, Don Farnsworth, Jay

 Lloyd, Joseph Milan, Shaun O'Brein, George

 Tarar, Franklin Wagner and John Ward.

 SINGERS: Iona Albok, Joan Batrett, Peggy

Tarar, Franklin Wagner and John Wald. SINGERS: Ilona Albok, Joan Barrett, Peggy Ferris, Deda La Petina. Margerty Oldroyd, Margaret Ritter, Janice Sprie, Jo Sullivan, Ray Drakeley, Willam Ferguson, Kon Foley, Rus-sel George, Vincent Lubrano, William Mende, Larry Robbins and John Russell.

VILLAGE CHILDREN: Walter Butterworth. Doreen Lane, Sylvia Lane. Lewis Francis Scholle, Alan Shay and Robin Sloan.

Sleepy Hollow. the musical play based on the Washington Irving story of the headless horseman, unveiled itself as a tuneful. lavish production that shows great promise. In its present state it is far from ready, but a lot can be done in the interval between the bow-in and the New York opening to put this in the topdrawer class.

Hollow is blessed with a grand score, fine voices and settings, but in hitching the story to the show much has been left undone. While the has been left undone. While the Irving story lends itself beautifully to a musical play, the authors seemed to take the long way around; where one word could do for five, they used 50. The generous use of a paring knife, a lot of elbow grease on a re-write and a major surgical on the thou as a whole are definitely in show as a whole are definitely in-dicated.

Gil Lamb, certainly a happy choice as Ichabod Crane, gave the part every bit of playing that could be desired. His grotesque contortions and his unthis grotesque contortions and his un-canny ability to bend himself into the wierdest shapes lent a lot of comedy to his role. His two comedy songs, *There's History To Be Made* and *Poor Man*, were by far the high-lights of the night, and his drunk scene in the second act is something to be remembered to be remembered.

Romantie Side

Romantic SideplayingThe romantic interest was fur-whole,nished by Betty Jane Watson andbilities.Hayes Gordon, and the two made aeasy onfetching pair of lovers. Both havealso exextremely fine voices, and their twoall tigduets. I Still Have Plenty To LearnBroadwand Here and Now, certainly oughtviving.

Connor and Roddy Oppose Sayler in ATAM Election

NEW YORK, May 1.—Oliver Say-ler is being opposed by Rex Connor and William Roddy for the position of business agent of the Association of Theatrical Agents and Managers. All the other contestants for the one-vear tarms one in the union closico year terms open in the union election are running unopposed.

They include Ben Boyar for prexy, Frank L. Smith for vice-president, Milton Weintraub for secretary-treas-urer, Fred De Bondy for sergeant at arms, Raymond L. Broeder, Morris Jacobs, Robert Milford and Warren Jacobs, Robert Milford and Warren O'Hara for the four positions open for managers on the board of gov-ernors; William Fields and Richard Maney, the New York press agents on the board of governors; Hal Olver and William Roddy, the road flacks on the board of governors, and Ben Chasin and Nathan Parnes for the Yiddish group members on the board of governors. of governors.

Election will be held June 14 at the Claridge Hotel.

Simetti To Head Yardley

NEW YORK, May 1.-Otto Simetti will produce and direct summer stock this season at the Yardley Theater, Bucks County, Pa. He formerly directed at the Lowell (Mass.) State Theater, which recently closed.

Also among the summer stock leanings, Ralph Foster replaces gleanings, Ralph Foster replaces Ernest Mandeville as co-producer of the Finger Lakes Drama Festival, Ithaca, N. Y. Ray Hinkley is the other producer of that summer stock operation and will also direct several shows.

ANTA Asks Registration

NEW YORK, May 1.—The Ameri-can National Theater and Academy (ANTA) is asking that young de-signers and technicians register for summer stock work. ANTA gets summer stock work. ANTA gets many requests for both types of theater workers.

to place those two songs on high on the parade of hits.

The supporting cast was excellent, both from the dancing and singing angle. Little Richard Rhoades, who plays the kid brother, proved to be a real trouper and handled his rather lengthy role splendidly. The moppet shows plenty of talent, and his ca-

reer should be a bright one. George Lessner's music was right out of the top drawer. Besides the tunes already mentioned, My Lucky Lover and You've Got That Kind of a Face are sure-fire clicks. The Things That Lovers Say, soloed by Miss Watson, and Alone, by Gordon, should certainly be meat for the radio crooners. Anna Sokolow went just a little

Anna Sokolow went just a fittle overboard with her choregraphy, es-pecially in ballet numbers, but in modernized Dutch dances and en-sembles did a capable job. The saving grace on the much too hoity-toity ballets was the extreme capa-bilities of her terners toity ballets was the bilities of her terpers.

Jo Mielziner did his usual capable job with the sets, and produced some startling effects that never failed to maintain the near-fantasy of the mood. David Ffolkes's costumes were in the same groove

in the same groove. It was only in the book that the play fell down, and co-authors Miriam Battista and Russell Maloney have their work cut out for them. The simple story seems to take so long in the telling that at least 40 minutes playing time must be shaved. As a playing time must be shaved. As a whole, Hollow has more than possi-bilities. Currently it is extremely easy on the ears and eyes, but it is also extremely tiresome. An over-all tightening can bring this to Broadway with every chance of sur-viving. Sidney Golly.

FOREIGN REVIEWS

NOUS IRONS A VALPARAISO

(We Will Go to Valparaiso) THEATRE DE L'ATHENEE, PARIS

A comedy by Marcel Archard. Directed by Pierre Blanchar. Sets by Francois Ganeau. Presented by Pierre Blanchar.

Therese Cabanis	Laurence Aubray
Tantine	Germaine Michel
Pascal Cabanis	Jean Lanier
Valerie Pardaillan	Simone Renant
Gilles Cabanis	Pierre Blanchar
Presiding Judge	Jean D'Yd
Mentrier	Jean Toulout
Prosecuting Attorney	Georges Lannes
Suzanne Forster	Dominique Brevan
Rabouin	Edmond Ardisson
Albert Nogarre	Michel Salina
Adolphe Charpentier	Guy Derlan
Hoyosse	Robert Dalban
Severine Pardaillan	Yvette Andreyor
Bourdille	Daniel Mendaille
Crier of the Court	Jean-Pierre Lituac
Assistant Judges	
Police Guard	Charles Bonneil
Th's s This 1 s	

Pierre Blanchar, who took over Louis Jouvet's theater when the latter went on tour, has directed and is starring in Marcel Achard's new play, We Will Go to Valparaiso. We

This bit of fluff is not likely to give anyone a headache and while it's on the most banal theme possible it is packing them in.

Gilles Cabanis, very much married, has fallen in love with soul-mate Valerie. In order not to hurt devoted wife Therese, the lass consents to a "back street" existence. Of course all is discovered, Therese commits "suicide," Gilles and Valerie are held as suspects, eventually are acquited and fly with their love to Valparaiso. This streamlined Tristan and Isolde

is neatly contrived and sometimes moving, but on the whole, the result is a trivial postcard facsimile of the real thing.

Achard commits his own crime. He does away with his two most intrigu-ing characters in the first act. Therese (Laurence Aubray). in love with her husband to the point of madness, is a much more dynamic personality than any of the others, and her aunt, Tantine (Germaine Michel), plays with the comic seriousness of a Josephine Hull. Pierre Blanchar, France's No.

movie star, plays hero Gilles, with a complete lack of color. Simone Renant (Valerie) makes a satisfying-ly beautiful mistress. Francois Ganeau's first act set of the Cabanis'

living room is good. The French adore this lovey-dovey, passionnel sort of thing. Jean White. petty quarrel and making up, crime

Directors Selected For 2 Strawhatters

NEW YORK, May 1.—Cecil Clo-velly will direct at the Newport Casino Theater for producer Sara Stamm this summer. Clovelly has an extensive legit background and has owned, directed and managed many haylofts.

Fred Stewart, of the Six o'Clock Theater will direct at Louis Town-send's Theater-in-the-Dale at New Milford, Conn. during the dog-days. Stewart has previously directed for Arthur Beckhard at Martha's Vineyard and at the Barter Theater.

New Musical for Hartford

HARTFORD, Conn., May 1.--Plans have been announced for presenta-tion of an original musical comedy, Seein' Is Believin' at the Bushnell Memorial Auditorium, Hartford, May Memorial Auditorium, Hartford, May 14. The book and story were written by Lucille Murphy and the original music and lyrics by Irving Howe, both of New Britain, Conn. The show will feature a cast of 75, plus a 13-piece band. Scenery is being provided from the Shubert Theater, Boston. There's a possibility that the show may be presented later in other Connecticut cities.

LA DAME DE L'AUBE (Lady of the Dawn)

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GAITE MONTPARNASSE THEATER,

PARIS A play by Alejandro Casona. Translated by Jean Camp. Directed by Plerre Valde. Set and costumes by Olga Choumansky. Pre-sented by Plerre Valde

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The MotherMaria Meriko	
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Second Young GirlJanine Mondon	
Third Young GirlInah	
First BoyAndre Gornet	
Second Boy Francis Ehrlich	
Third Boy Jacques Schmuck	
Angelica Muriel Chaney	

La Dame de L'Aube (Lady of the Dawn), by the contemporary Spanish playwright, Alexjandro Casona, has been produced and directed by Pierre Valde at the Gaite Montparnasse. Casona paints a Spain different from Frederico Garcia Lorca's in his Blood Wedding and Bernarda's House. In-stead of hot sun and hot passions, brooding, endless waiting is the keynote of Lady of the Dawn.

note of Lady of the Dawn. The author has reversed the usual procedure for young playwrights and has written a third act that is much closer knit and more exciting than either of the first two, which are overstretched, or the last, which is anticlimatic. Pierre Valde, Paris's latest find in directors, has solved intelligently a difficult storing prob. intelligently a difficult staging prob-lem and has found a happy balance between the miraculous and the real. The wanderings of a mysterious pil-grim (Lady Death) are gradually wrought into a climax, yet always re-main a stark contrast to the rest of the play's rhythm. Lila Kedrova does well as the Lady of the Dawn Her imperturbable

of the Dawn. Her imperturbable composure adds to the supernatural quality called for by the role. Maria Meriko as the matriarch develops from the utter despondency of the first act to the gracious contentment of the last with sureness if not always with even tempo. Muriel Chaney makes a poignant, credible daughter. Pierre Valde himself is unfortunately not a very believable grandfather, while Cuy Caillard as a troubled husband and Andree Tainsy as an old servant put in poor performances. Olga Choumansky has designed several beautiful costumes.

This introspective plunge into the This introspective plunge into the consuming passions of a sunless Spain has excited and won the praise of Paris audiences, but it is doubtful whether this technically weak drama could overcome U. S. hurdles. Jean White.



Anna Lucasta (Plymouth) Boston. Annie Get Your Gun (Philharmonic Audi-torium) Los Angeles. Antony & Cleopatra, with Katherine Cornell (Blackstone) Chicago. Blossom Time (Davidson) Milwaukee. Burlesque, with Bert Lahr (Cox) Cincinnati, 5-28

5-8. Carousel (Royal Alexandra) Toronto. D'Oyly Carte Opera Co. (Shubert) Boston. Dunham. Katherine (Nixon) Pittsburgh. First Mrs. Fraser, with Jane Cowl (National) Washington.

First Mrs. Fraser, with Jane Cowl (National) Washington. Harvey (Biltmore) Los Angeles. Harvey (Buttore) Los Angeles. Harvey (Locust St.) Philadelphia. High Button Shoes (Opera House) Boston. John Loves Mary (Harris) Chicago. Lady Windermere's Fan (Broadway) Denver 3-5; (Capitol, Salt Lake City 7. My Romance (Great Northern) Chicago. Oklahoma (Curran) San Francisco 3-5; (Civio Aud.) San Jose 6-8. O Mistress Mine, with the Lunts (Geary) San Francisco. Private Lives, with Tallulah Bankhead (Home) Oklahoma City 5-6; (City Aud.) Pueblo, Colo. 8. Red Mill (Hanna) Cleveland. Show Boat (Shubert) Chicago. Sleepy Hollow (Shubert) Philadelphia. Student Prince (Forrest) Philadelphia.

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Burlesque -By UNO-

MEI LING, burly's only Chinese Multi strip, wound up 22 weeks as feature on the Hirst Circuit and re-turned to San Francisco niteries. . . . Richy (Shorty) McAllister and Harry (Stinky) Fields have split temporar-ily as a team, with McAllister switch-ing to niteries (he's new at the 19th ing to niteries (he's now at the 19th Hole, Manhattan with Walter Budd). Fields has migrated to Miami to su-Hole, Manhattan with Walter Budd). Fields has migrated to Miami to supervise certain mechanical parts in the pic, Life of Babe Ruth... Dottie Alexander (Mrs. Lew Denny) is in her 37th week as chorus captain at the Gayety, Baltimore... Bert Moore, Zan Overall and Otto Licht-enstein compose the Trovadore Trio, now in the Blackmoor Room, Wis-consin Hotel, Milwaukee... Mar-line and Flo March have opened at the Gayety, Norfolk, thru Eddie Kap-lan... John Head, stage manager-straight man at the Avenue, Detroit, was double-feted April 23 on his birthday and on his marriage the day before to Talu, of the stock cast. The other members of the company are Blaze Fury, June Carstairs, Jan Cafara, Frank Smith, Herbie Barris, Scurvy Miller and Frances Parks, producer... Max Furman (Larry Martin), who was comedian with the Star and Garter musical, opens May 29 with Alma Maiben, Milton Frome and Lew Hearns at Florentine Gar-dens, Hollywood, in George White's new Midnight Scandals. **TESSICA ROGERS opens May 6 in**

ESSICA ROGERS opens May 6 in JESSICA ROGERS opens May 6 in Poppy's Showboat, Hotel Adol-phus, Dallas. . . Eleanor Sheridan is now in legit stock at the Hartman, Columbus, O. . . Gloria Glad is at the Silver Palms, Chicago. . . . Marty Hoff, singing emsee, is at the Club Milwaukeean, Milwaukee. . . Lor-raine Gilbert booked into the Band-box nitery. Chicago where Paul West box nitery, Chicago, where Paul West and Meggs Lexing replaced Parker Gee and Charles Robinson, who have moved to the Alvin, Minneapolis. ... Bob Wall, former bell captain hoved to the Alvin, Millieapolis. ... Bob Wall, former bell captain at the Hotel Schroeder, is the new manager of the Circus Room in the Hotel Wisconsin, Milwaukee. ... Jack Haley opened April 30 in *In-side U. S. A.* at the Century, New York, and Red Buttons opened May 5 in Hold It at the National, New York. ... Ceil DeVine opened at the Gayety, Norfolk, April 26. Carole Winters missed the show the week before, due to illness. The three chorus standbys, Muriel Winn, Smil-ing Ann Bergin and Francine Boggi, substituted... Roster at the Empire, Detroit, includes Sam (Blue Jay) Mit-chell and Joe Hammond, comics; Detroit, includes Sam (Blue Jay) Mit-chell and Joe Hammond, comics; Tommy Reynolds, straight, and Sally Connolly, Frances Hammond, Jean Abbott, Fay Price, Audry St. Johns, Patti Dunn, Diane Morgan and Mitchell, chorines. Frank Crowe is house manager and producer. . . . Daurice Shaw, new burly tapster, opened at the Casino, Pittsburgh, April 25 for a spot-booked tour. . . . Globe, Atlantic City, reopens for the summer with stock June 15. Return-ing to the managerial post will be Bernie Ferber, now chief at the Gayety, Washington.

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Chi's Sheraton In Policy Switch

CHICAGO, May 1.—Sheraton Hotel inaugurated several changes in en-tertainment policy here this week. Most important was switching swank New Horizon Room on Michigan Avenue into a cocktail lounge that henceforth will feature piano and organ music and converting the Celtic organ music and converting the Celtic Room, the main dining room, into a supper club. New policy for the Celtic Room calls for dancing and popular prices featuring \$2.50 dinner and six bits for an ounce-and-a-half of Scotch, with no cover or minimum. Concert music will be provided from 7 to 8:45 p.m. nightly and dance music from then till closing.

Mutual Entertainment Agency outdistanced competition by opening Gloria Van and Her Augmented Van-guards for an indefinite run Tues-day (25). Competition for booking was keener than usual among agents with J. J. (Booke) Levin finally copping the contract after adding a bass, piano and drums to the quartet.

Timberg Sued Over 1G Booking Tangle

NEW YORK, May 1.—Herman Timberg is being sued in municipal court by Benjamin Morse who claims court by Benjamin Morse who claims he gave Timberg \$1,000 to get book-ings for Morse's son, Elliot. The only booking that Elliot secured, said Morse, were four dates on the RKO Circuit in February 1946 at \$15 a throw throw.

Timberg states he received the money for writing a script, *Knicker*-bocker's Holiday, for Morse.

The decision was reserved by Judge Christopher C. McGrath Wednesday (28) in the municipal court, Seventh District. Attorney for the defendant is Leroy Dreyfus; for Morse, Keesing and Keesing and Keesing.

Paddock Liquor License

Awaits Supreme Court OK Awaits Supreme Court OK ATLANTIC CITY, May 1.—Pend-ing a hearing before the Supreme Court Tuesday (4), the liquor license was returned this week to the Pad-dock International. The nitery's li-cense had been revoked by the State after hearing charges of alleged vio-lations of the State liquor regulations. Owner Rebecca Kravis and Man-ager Lou Kravis went to the courts for the stay of the liquor board's action. Permanent shuttering would result in loss of a major spot for nitery acts here during the summer.

Misiak Buys Into Detroit's Grand River Barbary Coast

Grand River Barbary Coast DETROIT, May 1.—Boleslaw Mi-siak, a newcomer in the nitery field, has bought out the partnership of Alec Marcoupoulos in the Grand River Barbary Coast, near downtown Bowery-style spot which has long been a center for the town's exten-sive hillbilly fans. Agislaos (Mike) Papoulos remains as senior partner. The place is using Jess Whitney's orchestra with a straight dance policy but will put in occasional floorshows as well.

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 ficient cash bond with AGVA. If an op had \$2,000 up and the show cost him \$2,500, the union would demand the additional security.
 Bookers objected to it, claiming disclosure of salaries would result in ops fighting each other and demands for additional bonds might force some cafes to cut or cancel shows. Agents, however, agreed to AGVA's request, arguing that sufficient bonds would protect their actors' salaries, thereby protecting their commissions.

Magic -By Bill Sachs-

PROF. RALPH M. PABST, veteran mentalist, who recently settled in Phoenix, Ariz., for an indefinite stay, writes in to say what a good job Bert Easley, former pro magish, is doing for local and traveling magi with his magic shop located there. "I also met the Great Fontaine here," writes Pabst, "and enjoyed a chat with the Irelands as they stopped over here on their way to Chicago. My stay here was rather forced upon me but while I'm here I plan to set up a mail-order school in astrology and mentalism. Later I plan to resume with my mental turn in this area where I hope to become as active as I formerly was in Florida, New York and Tennessee. Professor Teschner has taken over my school in Chat-tanooga and is doing nicely, too, net-ting around \$35 per day the last I heard from him. Mrs. Josephine Booth, mentalist, is running for the position of Democratic chairman for the State of Florida," ... Pablo PROF. RALPH M. PABST, veteran position of Democratic chairman for the position of Democratic chairman for the State of Florida." . . . Pablo played the Gayety Theater, Montreal, week of April 19, and Jerry Bergman, another magicker, followed him in there last week. . . . Benny Doss another magicker, followed him in there last week. . . Benny Doss scribbles from Dothan, Ala., under date of April 25 to wax hot over an alleged piece of exposing which he claims he witnessed recently. "A few nights ago," writes Benny, "at the Houston Theater here, I watched a so-called great expose some of the best tricks of magic, such as the spirit paintings, clip board, change box, etc. After the performance, as he called it, I informed the exposer that I was a professional magician he called it, I informed the exposer that I was a professional magician and did not believe in such things. He informed me that every school boy had known these things for the last 20 years. The gentleman I re-fer to bills himself as the Great Kirma. There should be something done about it by the IBM and the SAM."

MILBOURNE CHRISTOPHER, the M Baltimore rope wizard, type-writes from Santos, Brazil, under date of April 25: "Saw the Fu Manchu (David Bamberg) show several times (David Bamberg) show several times in Rio and spent many delightful hours with Bamberg. It's the best-mounted magical production I've ever seen. Excellent curtains and sets. Bamberg, himself, is an actor-magi-cian with a neat sense of comedy and suspense. Show moved to Rio after a year in Buenos Aires. After my performance last night at the Hotel Parque Balneario here, three people came back to see me who had seen my hocus-pocus seven years ago in the same city's Casino Sao Vincente." . . Landrus the Magician postals from Henderson, Tex., that he winds up his Texas school tour May 17 after which he begins on a long string of Boy Scout dates thru the Lone Star State. He has a host of Texas schools lined up for repeat dates beginning in the fall. . . C. A. George Newman, Minneapolis magician-mentalist, is readying for his forthcoming summer tour which begins late this month and order in Sontambar. It will more his ends in September. It will mark his 52d season on the road as a pro, all 52d season on the road as a pro, all repeat dates in towns he has been making since way back when. Sizing up the Twin Cities magic situation, Newman has the following to say: "The Twin Cities and vicinity have been well entertained by two top-flight magicians, Earl Morgan and the Great Roy. Boy has been scoring Great Roy. Roy has been scoring heavily at the swankiest banquets and conventions, in fact he has given such splendid satisfaction that the artists' bureau has him solidly booked for the fall and winter season ahead, beginning in September. He has been in constant demand the last four months, which is an enviable record for a magician in the Twin Cities' top-money spots. Incidentally, Roy has purchased all the illusions and

East Side Small Spots Are Boffo

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ing planned to start, if not this spring, then next fall.

In this competition the in-between clubs like La Martinique are hit hard. With insufficient capacity to get top names, and with medium-priced acts failing to do business, La Martinique found itself ground between two millstones. Its latest effort was to bring in Smith and Dale for \$1,250. The old-time standard act does a good job, but not at the door. So under the guise of summer shutter-ing, La Martinique is closing. It may reopen in the fall with a new name and an intimate East Side policy with no dancing, but its policy is still undecided. names, and with medium-priced acts

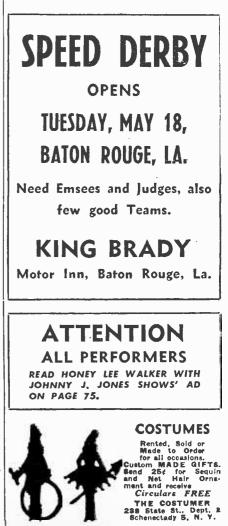
Embassy In-Between

Embassy In-Between The Embassy is another case of an in-between club that couldn't stand the competition. The room was opened by Bill Miller, who later sold out to Sam Marcus. The latter has made several efforts to bring it to life but none has been successful. The Embassy is now dark, with sev-eral buyers said to be interested, but so far nothing has happened. This demand for intimate Fast Side

This demand for intimate East Side This demand for intimate East Side spots which can operate on compara-tively small budgets—none have dancing—has brought the asking price for established rooms in this area to pretty high levels. The Encore, for example, is said to have been sold for \$40,000. A small spot on 55th off Fifth Avenue is asking \$52,000. In some cases the potential buyers are ex-headwaiters who col-lected heavy loot in the lush war years. In other cases it is playboy dough that is interested. But whoever puts up the leftuce

But whoever puts up the lettuce, the fact remains that it is the East Side that presents the market for the acts that can't get jobs on Broadway.

magical effects of the late James Dawson who passed on last December."



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Jewell, Harris **Biz Holding Up**

BONHAM, Tex., May 1.-Jewell & Harris Players, who have been workto good results in this sector deing spite inclement weather, moved in here this week for a home-coming celebration of their own. Despite the fact that the org followed the Greater United Shows, management is looking

forward to a successful engagement. Margot Jewell's parents, who were in show business here for a number of years, still make this city their home. Margot married Bob Jewell here.

Recent visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hand, Bill Provine, Mrs. J. C. Smith, and Mrs. Jim Shrader. During the engagement in Sherman, Tex., show's ork did a daily air shot over KRRV.

Mason Awaits Day **His Children Tread Grandfather's Path**

CINCINNATI, May 1.—Dick Mason, in a letter to *The Billboard* this week from his home in Burbank, Calif., revealed that he was "surprised and delighted" to read in recent issues news notes from Bruce Rinaldo per-taining to his mother. Fannie Mason, and his aunt, Marie Lazone. Dick is one of the grandchildren of Tom and Fannie Williams. "Never having seen my grand-mother," writes Mason. "there's little I can add to what already has been written. But that granddad of mine! What a grand old trouper he was. Yes, I was one of his favorite grand-children. He often told me of the happy days he enjoyed in show busi-ness. He added in disgust, however, that there was no real show business CINCINNATI, May 1.-Dick Mason,

that there was no real show business

"Perhaps he was right. Who can tell? Be that as it may, I hope to see my son. Dick Mason III, and my daughter, Sally, follow in the footsteps of my grandparents and my parents."

Harvey Succumbs **In Denver Hospital**

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 1.-J. L. (Jimmy) Harvey, widely known in rep and tent show circles and former rep and tent show circles and former owner-manager of the Peggy Nor-mand Dramatic Company, died re-cently in a Denver hospital following an operation for stomach ulcers. Harvey's last connection with the theater was as a third owner with the L. Paul and Arthur Hockwald in a production of the C. T. Dazey In Old Kentucky, which toured the country in 1924. Following that tour Harvey took

Following that tour, Harvey took over a parcel of land in Colorado on which he built up one of the most successful dude ranches in the State.



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-By Will H. Locke-

of the living, there must be a few old-timers whose memories reach into the yesteryears and the good old days of repertoire and one-night-stand trouping at 10-bucks-cakesand trouging at 10-bucks-cakes-and-transportation per week. It is always pleasant to recall fellow troupers, companies and incidents of a period in the realm of make-believe that was happier than we realized— a powied of above business it is in the set a period of show business that history will never repeat.

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I wonder how many there are, who they are and where they are, who remember the shows I am going to mention.

A notable attraction touring the Midwest during the 80's was the Bella Golden Company, headed by Bella Golden and presenting a repertoire of the popular plays of that day, featur-ing an exceptionally good band and orchestra. There was class and dis-tinction in every detail of that clever organization. The band, dressed in flashy, gorgeous uniforms, gave a street parade and concert every day, and a concert in front of the theater before the doors opened each eve-A notable attraction touring the before the doors opened each eve-ning. Altho I knew some of the per-sonnel of that company, the passing years have caused their names to escape my memory.

Mittenthal Stock

A prominent show of the 90's was the Mittenthal Stock, playing big melodramas and carrying a carload of special scenery and effects. While or special scenery and effects. While playing a week stand in the old Greenwall Opera House at Fort Worth in 1898 during the Spanish-American war, a regrettable accident occured one night during a perform-ance of *Remember the Maine*. A cannon, made of wood and abarred ance of Remember the Maine. A cannon, made of wood and charged with black powder, was used to give the effect of a big flash and smoke in the blowing up of the Battleship Maine in Havana Harbor. For some reason something went wrong, and the cannon, instead of going off as it should have, exploded, hurling pieces of the wood in every direction, giving the cast a terrific fright and some narrow escapes. Some of the pieces of wood flew out into the audience and one piece struck a man named Tanner who was sitting in the bal-cony, killing him. A cousin of my old friend, Frank Powell, actor and scenic artist was sitting beside Tan-ner but fortunately had to leave be-fore the end of the show or he too might have been killed or injured. Perhaps his guardian angel was tak-ing care of him. cannon, made of wood and charged

ing care of him. The last time I met the Mittenthal The last time 1 met the Mittenthal Company was in May, 1901 while it was playing a week stand in the big old Gillis Theater, Kansas City, Mo. Several old friends, including Eddie and Edith Bowers, were with the show, and we had a fine visit.

Madison Square Topper

Madison Square Topper Another prominent rep show of that period was the Madison Square Theater Company. The roster in-cluded George W. Lowe, manager; Ed M. Hadley, agent; Bertha Rohr, pianist: Will N. Rogers, violinist; Whit Brandon, Lida Hall Brandon, Ed Beach, Franc Elliott Beach, Will N. Rogers, Clytie Rogers, P. A. Phelps, Bertha Phelps, Nellie Castle, Lotite Emmons, Tom Depew, Jack Ellis and the writer. It was an ex-ceptionally strong rep show and we were up in 20 plays. Will and Clytie Rogers were both large people, their combined weight totaling 600 pounds. Will was a good actor and fine vio-linist; Clytie was an excellent char-acter woman and did a specialty Will had written for her entitled An Irish Biddy's Idea of a Negro Cake Walk that was a rist Both were Will had written for her entited AnIrish Biddy's Idea of a Negro Cake Walk, that was a riot. Both were fine folks. In those days many hotel beds were of the type with wooden

SOMEWHERE, and still in the land | slats, and frequently the weight of these lovable people would break the bed. Will, to keep it from collapsing, put a box or two underneath. Of course, it caused a lot of good-natured kidding.

tured kidding. A funny incident occurred at Hut-chinson, Kan. We arrived on a Sunday shortly before noon, and reg-istered at the leading hotel, the Brunswick. When dinner was served we filed into the beautifully ap-pointed dining room. The tables and chairs were of a beautiful, delicate, modern type and set for four persons each. The floor was highly polished and there was class to the whole set-up. Ed Hadley and I were sitting at and there was class to the whole set-up. Ed Hadley and I were sitting at a table when Mr. and Mrs. Rogers came in and were seated at our table. When Clytie sat down the chair creaked alarmingly. Besides our company there were a number of local membre of social membrane in local people of social prominence in for Sunday dinner, and there was an atmosphere of quiet refinement and a softly subdued murmur of convera softly subdued murmur of conver-sation as the waiters were taking the orders. Suddenly, there was a loud crash that startled everyone and there was Clytie, sitting atop the flattened-out wreck of the chair, looking embarrassed and blushing red to the roots of her blonde hair. The legs of the delicate chair had spread on the slippery floor under the strain of her weight and down it went. Will gallantly helped Clytie to her feet while a half-smothered laugh pervaded the dining room. The re-mains of the chair were quickly re-moved and a strong chair was brought in from the kitchen. Clytie sat down and soon all became quiet and we fell to eating a nicely served dinner. dinner.

Presently more guests came in. They were Charles K. RossKam and his Chicago Stock Company. Passing thru town on the way to its next stand, the personnel took advantage of a short layover to get a good Sunday dinner. The character wo-man with RossKam's company was a large woman not guite as large a large woman, not quite as large as Mrs. Rogers, but nearly as heavy. Some of us who were acquainted

Texas Jaunt For Plunkett

SANTA ANNA, Tex., May 1.— Plunkett's Stage Show, currently in its 11th week on tour, chalked up a successful three-day stand here this week. Last week, Richland Springs and San Saba combined to give the org its best week of the season thus far.

Show has five more engagements

Show has five more engagements booked in Texas before jumping into established territory in Kansas. Recent visitors included Mr. and Mrs. Doc Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Rinehart and daughter, Mrs. Moore and son, and Bill Davis. Pat and Larry Plunkett have joined Gloria, Jerrie, Cleo and Sonny in the trampoline act while Bicker Migat

trampoline act, while Rickey Miget is doing contortionist and aerialist turns. Kennedy Swain is handling the comedy chores, and repertoire include The Awakening of John Slater, Up Popped the Devil and Holy Sinners. Jim Plunkett is doing blackface

and Capt. Fuzz_Plunkett is present-ing his animal act. Show is utilizing a new flame-proof tent, with a 1.000 seating capacity. Congo, chimp, also is a feature.

too much for the risibilities of everybody and a loud laugh broke up all the dignity and decorum of the oc-casion and seemed to make every-body acquainted. Both women were good sports and got as much fun out of the incident as the rest of us.

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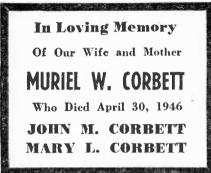
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CANDA—Henry G., 56, senior ac-count executive of Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn, Inc., ad agency, April 29 in New York. He had been with the agency since 1920. widow and son survive. His

CUTTI-Mrs. Berta, 61, opera soprano and North American repre-sentative of the Society of Italian Authors and Composers, April 21 in New York. She was responsible for New YORK. She was responsible for bringing to this country such Italian plays as Six Characters in Search of an Author, As You Desire Me, The Jest and Death Takes a Holiday. Mrs. Jest and Death Takes a Honday. Mrs. Cutti formerly sang in the operas Tosca and The Girl of the Golden West in Italy and was decorated for entertaining troops during World War I. Her son, William Maurice, survives.



FEUCHTER-Charles, brother of Lou Feuchter and Joan Gordon, presi-dent and secretary, respectively of the Old-Time Vaudeville and Dramatic Artists' Club of Oakland, Calif., recently in Alameda, Calif.

FULLER—Leslie (Albert), 57, for-mer stage and film comedian and motion picture producer, April 24 in Margate, England.

FURST—Melvin, monologist, in San Francisco recently.

GASKILL-Clarence, 56, composer, April 29 in Fort Hill Park, N. J. Gas-kill was musical director for the Earl Carroll Vanities from 1927 thru 1931. He also worked with the late Florenz Ziegfeld in a number of productions including Whoopee. His songs in-clude Kentucky Blues, I Can't Believe That You're In Love With Me, Prison-er of Love and Minnie the Moocher. His widow survives.

GIBBONS—John L., 51, Louisville, train hand with Cole Bros.' Circus, aboard the show train in Danville, Ill., April 28 of a cerebral hemor-rhage. Surviving is a sister, Mrs. Kathryn Slaughter, Paris, Tenn.

GIRARDIN-Edgar L., 39, guitarist



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and orchestra leader in Hartford, | of numerous Charles Maddock pro-Conn., for many years, April 20 in New York. His father, three brothers and four sisters survive. Burial was in Hartford, April 24.

GOODWINS-Ercell W., 32, actress and divorced wife of film director Leslie Goodwins, in Los Angeles April 23 of injuries sustained in an auto accident. She was married to Goodwins in 1943 and abandoned her film career but resumed picture work following her divorce in 1946. Survived by her mother, daughter and a sister.

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Who passed away April 29, 1947

Hazel & Dwayne Steck

HARVEY—J. L. (Jimmy) recently in a Denver hospital following an op-eration for stomach ulcers. Widely

eration for stomach ulcers. Widely known in repertoire and tent show

circles, Harvey is survived by his widow, known professionally as Bonnie Norton; his mother; a brother, Lloyd, and two stepsons.

the New York Philharmonic and the Detroit Symphony orchestras, April

26 in Los Angeles. HOUSLEY—James E., former mo-vie theater operator at Hot Springs, April 23 in a Little Rock Hospital. Surviving are his widow, three brothers and a sister. JOHNSON—Carol, husband of Alma Ferris, singer and musician, in Oak-land, Calif., recently. JONES—Millie, former soubret and song and dance artist, recently in San Francisco.

Francisco. LANDRUM — Lorry C., associated with Cetlin & Wilson Shows the past 20 years, April 25 in McGuire Veter-ans' Hospital, Charleston, W. Va. He was a member of the Miami Show-men's Association. Burial in Rich-mond (Va.) National Cemetery April 27

27. MARSTINI—Rosita, 54, film ac-tress, in St. Vincent's Hospital, Los Angeles, April 24. Born in Nancy, France, she came to Hollywood during World War I to work for Universal Studios Her screen appearances in-

Studios. Her screen appearances in-cluded A Tale of Two Cities, with William Farnum, and The Big Parade. She retired for a time but returned to

HELLMAN-Leo, violinist

26 in Los Angeles.

Francisco

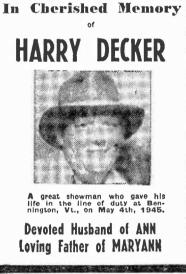
ductions. Platt recently toured with Sigmund Romberg. His widow, Mildred, survives

PLOWMAN—Marshall W., 56, vet sports announcer and manager of Station KWAT, Watertown, S. D., recently in that city.

PONCE-Manuel M., 61, Mexican pianist and composer and director of the National Symphony Orchestra of Mexico, April 24 in Mexico City. His best known work was *Estrellita*.

QUINBY-Mrs. Harriet, 55, pianist, composer and first manager of the Municipal Auditorium, Zanesville, O., April 21 in that city. Her husband, Kenneth, survives.

RODRIGUEZ-Gerardo Mattos, 51 composer who wrote the tango, La Cumparsita, April 24 in Buenos Aires. SCOTT-Flo Stilabower, 50, pianist, SCOTT—Flo Stilabower, 50, pianist, April 28 in Springfield, Ill. She had played the old chautauqua circuits and on the Illinois River steamer. Idlewild. Survived by her husband, Wilbur, and two daughters, Mrs. Ken Seely, booking agent, and Mrs. Fay Hilton.



STACKER-John M., 65, former carnival and circus trouper and movie carnival and circus trouper and movie operator, April 24 at his home in Torrington, Conn. Stacker was con-nected with the Hunt Circus at one time and had operated a carnival company. For many years he was a projectionist at the old Opera House, Winsted, Conn. He had also been pro-duction manager of Monarch Amuse She retired for a time but returned to film work two years ago and last appeared in Holiday in Mexico. Serv-ices in Hollywood April 28. NEWMAN—Alice, former actress and mother of Jessie Sturgeon, in Oakland, Calif., recently. PLATT—Sydney. 66, actor and member of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, April 26 in New York. He worked many years with John Golden's plays and served as manager and stage director

TOM BRENEMAN

Tom Breneman, 47, radio emsee and originator of the Breakfast in Hollywood air program, died at his home in Encino, Calif., April 28 of a heart attack. Breneman was a vaude actor until 1927 when he entered radio in

Los Angeles. In 1929 he starred in a radio comedy series called Tom'n' Wash in which he played both characters. The program met with little success and for the next three years he worked in New York where he originated the Laugh Club of the Air, one of radio's first audience-participation shows. He later returned to Hollywood and managed these und the program to Son Francisco in a and managed two radio stations and then went to San Francisco in a

similar capacity. In October, 1941, he returned to Los Angeles with his Breakfast idea and eventually found a sponsor in the Sardi restaurant manage-ment, and the next four years the show originated daily from Sardi's Hollywood restaurant. In 1945 he opened his own restaurant in the film capital, where his *Breakfast* program maintained its popularity. He had recently returned from a month's vacation and died just as he

was leaving home for his broadcast. Survived by his widow, former actress Billie Dunn; a son, daughter and a brother, Mark, also a radio personality.

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STUART-Derwood, 38, trumpeter, who had appeared with Negro name bands thruout the country for the past 20 years, April 26 in San Francisco of knife wounds. At the time of death he was a member of Charlie Whit-field's band in San Francisco.

TELLMAN-John, husband of Mary Hill, vaude violinist, recently in San Francisco.

Milt Britton

Milt Britton, 54, comic band

Milt Britton, 54, comic band leader who introduced slapstick style into jazz music, April 29 in New York at the Hotel Roose-velt, shortly after leading his band at a luncheon of the Radio Executives' Club. In 1914 Britton entered show-biz in vaude and toured the Keith Circuit. He joined Frank Wentzel in 1917 in a two-man trombone team, during which time Britton perfected a "laugh-ing trombone" technique. His orchestra, from 1924 until 1945, when it was last seen in Parawhen it was last seen in Para-mount's *Riding High*, was known as America's Craziest Orchestra, The Brown Derby Band and The Mad Musical Maniacs. They toured Europe and South America and appeared in the Ziegfeld Follies in 1931-'32.

His widow, son and daughter survive.

VAGGIANI—Nicolini, 59, impre-sario, April 24 in Rio de Janiero.

WOLLHEIM—Eric, 68, theatrical agent, April 7 in Henley on Thames, England. He formerly organized and directed the Serge Diaghileff Russian Ballet and arranged the staging of the musicals, White Horse Inn and Cas-anova. He was also responsible for the cabarets staged in the Savoy, Berkeley and Claridge's hotels, Lon-don, for a number of years.

Marriages

CHRISTENSEN-FRAZEE - Whitey Christensen, screen double for West-ern actor Roy Rogers, and Jane Frazee, film actress, in Las Vegas, Nev., April 24.

HEAD-MERCKE—John Head, vo-calist at the Avenue Theater, Detroit, and Jeannine Mercke, strip dancer, April 22 in Detroit.

KAUFMAN-ROCHE—Irwin (Hap) Kaufman, writer-producer at KGO, San Francisco, and Betty Roche, non-pro. April 22 in San Francisco. MANN-RIFBJERG—Robert Mann,

MANN-RIFBJERG—Robert Mann, Columbia Broadcasting System pro-gram sales manager, and Grace Rif-bjerg, radio actress known as Ann Summers, April 24 in New York. MORRISON - KUNODY — Charlie Morrison, night club owner, and Mary Kunody, actress, April 24 in Hollywood. MURPHY - TOBIN — Patrick Mur-phy radio director of Holden, Clifford

MURPHY - TOBIN — Patrick Mur-phy, radio director of Holden, Clifford & Flint, Detroit advertising agency, and Patricia Tobin, radio and tele-vision actress, in Detroit recently. SHEPARD-WINTERS—Sol Shep-ard and Bernice Winters, radio and legit actress, April 17 in Chicago. SIBOLD-O'MEARA—Nat Sibold, baritone in Skating Vanities, and Jean O'Meara. skater in the same show, April 24 in Plymouth, Mich. STREET-HUGHES—David Street, actor-singer, and Mary Beth Hughes, film actress, in Los Angeles April 28. TOPPING-TURNER—Robert Top-ping, former husband of actress Arline Judge, and Lana Turner, film star, in Beverly Hills, Calif., April 26.

Births

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Barker March 25 in Sinclairville, N. Y. Father is cookhouse operator on the Barker & Erniewine Shows. A daughter to Mr. and Mrs Dave Atchison April 20 in Elgin, Ill. Father is in the National Broadcasting Company's press department, New York.



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NO QUAKE, BUT EARTH MOVES

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Norfolk Ups Show Taxes

Jump daily fees from \$150 to \$300-Dudley Cooper, park owner, sparks move

NORFOLK, May 1.—The city coun-cil has decided to jump the license tax on carnivals, street fairs and tent shows from \$150 to \$300 a day in its new tax ordinance. Chief advocate of the increased rate was Dudley Cooper, operator of Ocean View Amusement Park and Seaside Park at Virginia Beach and Seaview Beach, one of the South's largest Negro beach amusement cenlargest Negro beach amusement cen-

ters. Cooper urged the move to keep what he called the "bad influence" of carnivals out of the city, and the council considered a \$1,000-a-day levy until Commissioner of Revenue W. R. Moore warned that such a fig-ure might result in legal difficulties. City Manager C. A. Harrell said he is considering presenting an ordi-nance outlawing carnivals from the city because of alleged health law violations and because they are fol-lowed by an "undesirable element."

Montreal Cops Sked Outdoor Thrill Circus

NEW YORK, May 1. Herman Blumenfeld and Joseph H. Hughes, of the George A. Hamid booking of-fice, this week announced the completion of plans for the staging of a combination thrill show and circus for the Montreal Police Department. The event will be staged in the Mon-treal stadium and run from June 11 thru 17.

thru 17. Talent for the show will be on a par with that presented annually in Montreal by the Hamid-Morton Cir-cus under Shrine auspices, the book-ers said. The performance will be staged circus fashion with three rings. The lavish use of high acts is planned. Their rigging will be set up behind Their rigging will be set up behind the base lines so as not to damage the

infield turf. The bookers said the police are (See Montreal Cops' Show, page 61)

Rimberg To Import 6 Baby Elephants

O BADY ELEPHANTS NEW YORK, May 1.—Harry Rim-berg announces that his firm, Circus Equipment Corporation, has sched-uled six baby elephants for arrival at an eastern port in late May or early June. They will be available on a sale or rental basis. Recent deals completed by Rimberg include the renting of two elephants to Dales Bros.' Circus and one to M. E. Beekman, Nebraska showman. Rimberg has retained three of his recent elephant imports to cash in on their use on a rental basis in connec-tion with the presidential campaign.

Motor Speed Round-Up: Horn Gains 4th Win of Year In Arlington, Tex., 100-Miler

ARLINGTON, Tex. — Ted Horn, NAAM champion of Paterson, N. J., won the 100-mile Arlington Downs big-car race here Sunday, April 25, finishing in front by three laps. Re-turning to the dirt track where last year he clinched the AA title, Horn took the lead on the 47th lap. Duke Dinsmore, Osborn, O., was second and Duke Nalon, Los Angeles, third. In winning the race, his fourth straight this year, Horn had to travel a slushy track after a heavy rain Saturday. A crowd of 20,000 turned out. Horn drew \$2,478 for first place with the remainder of the \$10,000 guaranteed prize money split over nine places. ARLINGTON, Tex. — Ted Horn, Mand dustproofed. Qualifying trials will be held early in the afternoon, followed by one long and several short races. More than 150 laps of racing are planned. Race will be the feature event of the closing day of the fair which opens May 20. Boardman Wins Twice ROSCOE, Calif.—Three new rec-ords were hung up Sunday, April 25, at the five-eights-mile midget auto oval here. Speed Boardman set two of the marks. He won the 25-lap feature and the trophy dash. Hal Minyard was second and Fred Han-son third in the main event. Al Lang bagged the 10-lap semi-main.

Big Cars for Chico Fair CHICO, Calif.—Twenty standard-size cars will compete in the big-car race program here Sunday, May 23, staged by the Third District Fair. The half-mile track is being reconditioned

Chicago 1, Ill.

Wins at Tacoma, Wash. TACOMA, Wash.—Bob Vorbeck, Denver, captured first place in the 30-lap main event of the midget auto race program here Sunday, April 25, (See SPEED ROUND-UP, page 61)

Close-Ups: George Coe Has Spent 58 Years On Show Lots and Still Going -By Sam Abbott

(This is another in the series of articles on little-known facts about prominent people in outdoor show business.)

WHEN members of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association in Los An-geles looked for a leader in 1948, they wanted a man who was, above all, a showman. The president they selected fills this requirement excep-tionally well. In fact, of his 58 years, he has spent all of them in show busi-ness. His name in the outdoor field dates back to about 1840, which marks the entrance of the traveling circus on the American scene, and will be carried into the future generation, for his son is also "with it." To have a record of a life time in show business, a man must have been born into it.

a man must have been born into it. Known universally as George, Ev-Known universally as George, Ev-erett William Coe, received his intro-duction to show lots in Lafayette, Ind., in October, 1889, when Coe Bros.' Circus, owned and operated by his father, Train A. Coe, and grand-father, Elijah Coe, played a one-night stand in that town. From his birth-date he never has heen dispersoniated

stand in that town. From his birth-date he never has been disassociated from the industry. Today, in addition to holding the highest position this West Coast club can bestow upon a man, Coe also serves on the board of governors of the Regular Associated Troupers; is a member of Show Folks of America in San Francisco, Scottish Rite in Los Angeles. Free and Accepted Masons

in San Francisco, Scottish Rite in Los Angeles, Free and Accepted Masons in Detroit, Al Malakiah Temple of the Shrine in Los Angeles, and the Sciots in Inglewood, Calif. These organiza-tions, naturally, take up most of his spare time. He is active in the outdoor show world as business representative for the West Coast Shows. According to every legal paper, the business representative of the West Coast Shows signs his name "E. W. Coe." But it is a rare occasion when he is not called George. In fact, there are many who accept this moniker as his true name. This is understandable, for he has been called this since it was bestowed upon him by accident at the age of 12. Coe was working as a candy butcher on the Ben Wallace Circus. It

Coe was working as a candy butcher on the Ben Wallace Circus. It was just about his first job and he was unfamiliar with the workings of the bookkeeping department. The show was in Peru, Ind., and the time rolled around for him to sign the payroll. Thru some discrepancy in the wagon, (See GEORGE COE HAS SPENT on page 62)



Peoria Does It in Two Days

Citizens pitch in --- level 16-acre tract for amusement site

PEORIA, Ill., May 1.—"Operation earth mover" now is history! A 160-acre tract, five miles from this city, now is leveled and graded for the erection of Exposition Gardens, civic-sponsored, year-round amusement center, which will be the scene of the planned Heart of Illinois Exposition.

Held on an around-the-clock basis Held on an around-the-clock basis Saturday and Sunday, April 24-25, the project, in which 250,000 cubic yards of earth were moved, drew the participation of 500 union opera-tors, who contributed their labor, and about 150 pieces of heavy earth-moving equipment, also donated.

Saved \$90,000

Saved \$90,000 The project saved \$90,000, accord-ing to revised estimate of officials. It also focused national attention upon the civic-sponsored event and the move to develop a year-round amusement center into national prom-inence. Newsreels, newspapers, mag-azines and television stations ware nence. Newsreels, newspapers, mag-azines and television stations were well-represented. Much of this pub-licity has yet to appear, but already the event has been widely plugged. National magazine and newsreel cov-erage has yet to break, and this is expected to be heavier by far than the spot newspaper and radio coverage.

Tremendous community good will was engendered by the project, it is believed by officials of Exposition Gardens. Indications are that other similar projects, smaller in scope, will also result to aid in the development of the amusement center.

To Honor Participants

Exposition Gardens tonight will honor those who participated in the event by a big get-together, in which radio talent will be provided. Too, (See Peoria Moves Earth on page 61)

3 Bailey Officials Enter Not Guilty Plea in San Fran

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.-Three

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.—Three officials of Bailey Bros.' Circus, charged with responsibility for col-lapse of a grandstand in Redwood City April 6 which injured nearly 70 persons, entered a plea of not guilty in the court of Redwood City Police Judge W. H. Thorpe April 30. The defendants, Robert Stevens, owners of the circus, Willie Lundy, boss canvasman, and Luke Murphy, show's fire prevention chief, were represented by Attorney Athan Cohen. The trio, at liberty under \$500 ball each, is now in Oregon with the show. the show.

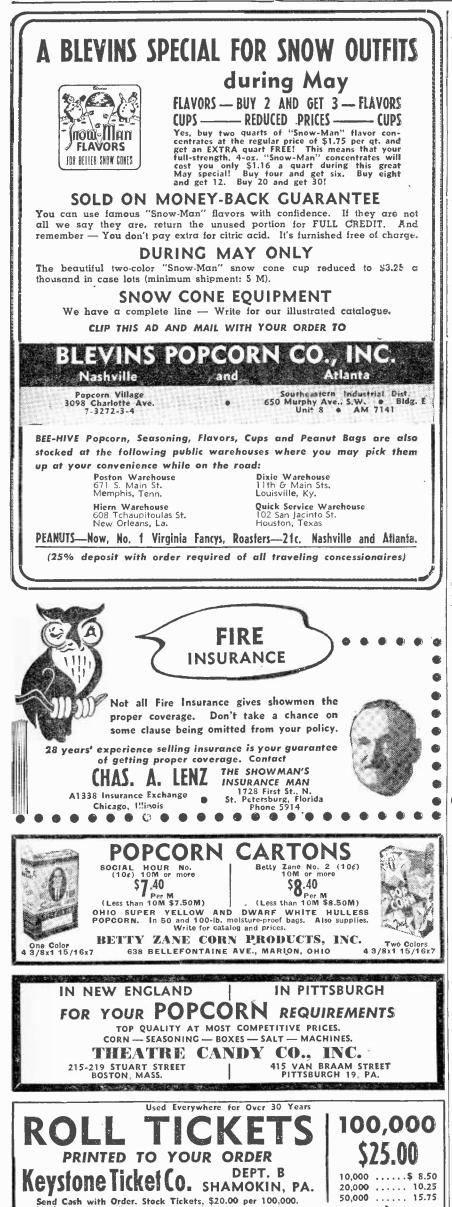
the show. Meanwhile, the fourth damage suit, resulting from the accident, was filed this week in San Mateo County Su-perior Court. Three other damage suits were filed earlier. The four suits ask for \$172,000 and damages and are all directed against the cir-cus and its heads cus and its heads.

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Mediation Holds Officials' Hopes To Avoid Rail Strike

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Federal officials here are placing all their hopes in mediation to avoid the threatened May 11 rail strike which would completely stifle all train movements for circuses, carnivals, and traveling shows of all types. Justice Department legalists say there is little chance that the government can take any action to halt a train strike beyond a possible personal appeal by President Truman to the rail unions involved. It is pointed out that seizure of the railroads by the army during the 1946

which have now expired. In addition, the anti-strike injunction procedure contained in the Taft-Hartley Act does not apply to rail union disputes. Legislation governing labor strife in the railroad industry, legalists say, is embodied in the Railway Labor Act, which provides for mediation under the jurisdiction of the National Railway Mediation Board (NBMB) under the jurisdiction of the National Railway Mediation Board (NRMB), as well as a "cooling-off" period be-fore any rail strike can be called. Justice attorneys explain that the unions have complied with all provi-sions of the act and that calling of a strike for May 11 is legal. At a regular news conference this week, the president told reporters that he thinks the wage dispute which is causing the turmoil can be settled without a strike. The fact

settled without a strike. The fact that negotiations are still going on is

that negotiations are still going on is encouraging, he said. With virtually all outdoor shows now on the road, effect of a train tie-up would be much more serious than the problems created by the recent coal dispute. At that time, only coal-burning trains were af-fected, and even shows on such lines were able to move thru makeshift were able to move thru makeshift arrangements. A strike of engineers, firemen and switchmen would halt virtually every train in the country.

College Popularity Poll Puts Hamid Among Leaders

NEW YORK, May 1 .--- The American Schools and Colleges Association this week informed George A. Hamid, head of the booking office bearing his name, that he is among the first 10 in a popularity poll now being con-ducted among students attending their member institutions.

The poll contestants are limited to Alger-like success. Included in the first 10 are such nationally known men as James E. Forrestal, Paul Hoffman and Francis Cardinal Spellman.

Circle M Opens Indiana **Tour at Madison May 16**

LOUISVILLE, May 1 .--- Circle M. Rodeo, owned and managed by Hugh Muster, is slated to open a tour of Southern Indiana May 16 at Madison, reports Joe Masterson. Beulah Mus-ter is secretary and director. The show has added a bucking Ford and will carry about 50 head of bucking stock.

Personnel includes Jack and Bill Dalton and Norman Beaverdick, bronk and bull riders; Dave Baines, in charge of chutes; Don Muster, an, nouncer, and Masterson, trick rop-ing and riding.

New Promotional Group Receives Virginia Charter

RICHMOND, Va., May 1.—Virginia Corporation Commission this week issued a charter to the Nester-Bartlett Enterprises, Inc., authorizing them to conduct a business providing entertainment, amusements, athletic and motorized contests. Capital was listed at \$15,000, to be divided into shares having a par value of \$50 each

Officers are Raymond I. Bartlett, president; Irving P. Bartlett, vice-president, and Robert A. Nester Jr., secretary-treasurer.

strike was accomplished under the president's emergency wartime powers which have now expired. In addition, Warner Offers 10G To Race Small Cars

In Hartford Stadium HARTFORD, Conn., May 1 .- At-

torney Charles N. Segal, representing Alexander Warner, promoter, this week offered the city \$10,000 a year for the private use of Municipal Sta-dium for staging midget auto races. Included in the offer was the promise to spend \$20,000 on stadium improvements. A second offer from another racing promoter, whose name was not revealed, also has been received, according to Mayor Cyril Coleman.

Plans for stadium races were pro-tested by the trustees of the Colt bequest. It was the trustees' opinion bequest. It was the trustees of the Core bequest. It was the trustees' opinion that use by private business of park land, on which the stadium is situ-ated, might violate the will of the donor of Colt Park.

The land was assigned to the city by the late Elizabeth N. Colt, widow of Samuel Colt, Hartford gunmaker. The will provided that the land go to the city "for park purposes only."

Warner, who operates midget tracks at West Springfield, Mass., and Hridgeport, Conn., has announced that he would pay the sum of \$10,000 a year for the use of the stadium one day a week for a five-year period. It is understood that the city coun-cil will nook while mention and

cil will seek public reaction and ad-vice from the park department be-fore coming to a decision.

5 Showmen Install C-Cruise Devices

PORTLAND, Ore., May 1.-A new C-Cruise ride has been installed at Jantzen Beach Park here. Others adding the new ride, according to Tom Armstrong, sales manager of the Tom Armstrong, sales manager of the C-Cruise Corporation, include Sol Golden, Ocean Park Pier, Santa Mon-ica, Calif.; Frank S. Tilyou, Steeple-chase Park, Coney Island, New York; Al Wagner, Cavalcade of Amuse-ments, and J. W. (Patty) Conklin, Brantford, Ont. The ride includes four tubs and four boats, operating on a circular track that creates the motion of short, choppy ocean wayes. The tubs also

choppy ocean waves. The tubs also include a steering wheel, which, when manipulated, gives a twirling motion.

Mich. Showmen's Legion **Post Adopts Children**

DETROIT, May 1.—The Joey Moss American Legion Post of the Michi-gan Showmen's Club has informally "adopted" the children of Burton School, located a block from the post headquarters. The neighborhood in which the school is located is a near-downtown section, with the students chiefly under-privileged kiddies in need of extra-curricular assistance. In the past few weeks the post has provided the kiddies with various school supplies and personal items. According to Commander Arthur Grzann of the Joey Moss Post, the Legion has turned over the use of its

Legion has turned over the use of its meeting hall to the kiddies for regu-lar meetings. Sessions will be held under direction of the YMCA with suitable guidance programs and will be tied in which school activities.

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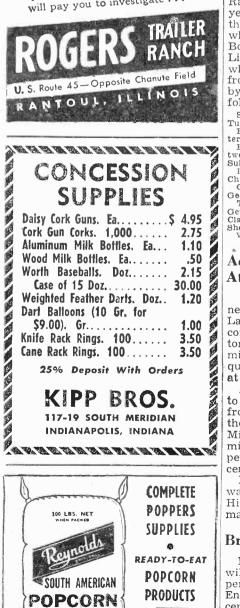
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112 - Day Ice Card In Quebec Coliseum Draws 411,360 Fans QUEBEC, May 1.-An attractive,

112-day program, which included hockey, ice shows, skating exhibitions and curling, lured 411,360 patrons into the Coliseum here the past winter

ter. The season, which opened Septem-ber 28, was brought to its successful conclusion April 27, with the pres-entation of the traditional Ice Fes-tival. De-icing of the plant has been completed, and work readying the surface for summer activity is under-

way. A special show, sponsored by the Kinsmen and Lions clubs and fea-turing Barbara Ann Scott, Canada's Olympic figure skating champion, at-tracted the top crowd of the season a mob of 8,430 jamming their way into the building which has a normal capacity of 5,500.

Exhibition games matching the lo-cal sextet against the Montreal Canadians, New York Rangers and Detroit Red Wings of the National Hockey League proved popular attractions in the big arena, as did the regular local puck schedule.

Ice Cycles of 1948 played to 21,199 during its six-night stand and the International Bonspiel, which drew curling clubs from all parts of the Dominion and the United States, also attracted large gatherings.

Gene Rambo Cops **Honors at Saugus**

SAUGUS, Calif., May 1. — Gene Rambo returned to action after a year's layoff to capture honors in the annual Newhall-Saugus Rodeo which closed its two-day run on the Bonetli Ranch here Sunday. Bud Linderman was second. The event, which drew more than 300 top hands from all over the West, was witnessed by 30,000 fans in two days. Results follow:

follow: Saddle Bronk Riding-Gene Rambo, Sonny Tureman. Bud Linderman, Ross Dolerhide. Bareback Bronk Riding-Gene Rambo, Bus-ter Ivory, Ed Akridge, Bud Linderman. Brahma Bull Riding-Jack Spurling; tie be-tween Bob Maynard and Ed Akridge; Walt Sullins. Bulldogging-Glen Tyler, Bill McMackin, Chuck Shepherd, Lex Connelly. Calf Roping-Homer Pettigrew, Ed Schell, Gene Rambo, Lin Shepherd. Team Roping-Andy Jauregui-C. Shields; Gene Rambo-Shorty Valdez; tie between Claude Hanson-Homer Pettigrew and Chuck Shepherd-Ed Schell. Wild Cow Milking-Ben Johnson.

Aqua Queen To Be Crowned At Mpls. Coronation Ball

MINNEAPOLIS, May 1. -- Minneapolis Aquatennial's Queen of the Lakes will be crowned this year at a coronation ball in Minneapolis Auditorium July 30, the Aquatennial com-mittee has decided. Until now the queen was crowned in a ceremony at the Aqua Follies each year.

Another new ruling has extended to 20 the number of queen candidates from outside the Twin Cities to match the score of would-be queens from Minneapolis and St. Paul. The com-mittee also reduced the cost of skip-per pins from last year's \$1 to 50 cents

Hennepin County Sheriff Ed Ryan was named queen chairman and John Hines appointed skipper pin chairman.

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Brennan Reps British Firm

MIAMI, May 1. - John Brennan will be the representative of the Su-per-Car Company, Ltd., Coventry, England, in this country. The concern deals in scotter tracks and cars. The track, said Brennan, is con-structed of aluminum alloy and fin-ished in color anodised effects.

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Buck Takes In Gainesville Bow

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New costumes and acts plentiful on community circus—Marvels featured

GAINESVILLE, Tex., May 1.--Featuring elaborate costuming and new acts, the Gainesville Community new acts, the Gainesville Community Circus opened its 19th season here April 21. Frank Buck, native of Gainesville, was honorary ringmas-ter for the opening engagement, re-ceiving an engraved gold whistle from President Roy Stamps of the circus, for the chore. He also led an offermeon struct parade in which 12 afternoon street parade in which 12 bands participated, the 626 musicians being guests of the show at the opening performance. Visitors during the engagement in-

Visitors during the engagement in-cluded Mr. and Mrs. Brace Helfrich, Wichita, Kan.; Ray and Lucia Joliff, Victoria, Tex.; Mrs. Cecil Crowe and son, Cappy, Waco, Tex., and Jack Fenelon, Fort Worth.

New physical equipment for the show this season includes 500 addi-tional chairs, giving the show a 1,106seat grandstand on both sides, new 50-foot top with three 30-foot mid-dles used for ring stock and dressing tent, and new marquee.

dles used for ring stock and dressing tent, and new marquee. Outstanding new feature of the show is the flying act, billed as the Flying Marvels, six people trained by Gus Bell and Harold Ward. Bert Davis, juggler, who broke in with the show 12 years ago, is an addition to the program, as are Bud Lucas, Bill Wood, John Moore and Melba Dea, of Wichita Falls, doing perch, hand balancing, ladder and double trapeze, respectively. The show has much special ward-robe from the Lanquay Costume Company, Chicago, including new horse blankets and banners, as well as a large assortment of wardrobe for spec and acts purchased from the Ringling show in Sarasota some weeks ago. The band is directed by B. D. Ford and has 22 musicians and a calliope (See Gainesville Program, page 105)

Hunt Has Turnaway At Burlington Bow

BURLINGTON, N. J., May 1.— Hunt Bros. Circus opened its season here April 26 under Kiwanis Club auspices, the three-ring show getting off to a good start with a turnaway throug house at the matinee report straw house at the matinee, report Mr. and Mrs. Leslie B. Ulrich, who attended the matinee as representa-tives of the Circus Fans Association.

A cold snap slowed night business. Among feature acts with the show is the De Rezkie Family, which drew generous applause. Dave Nimo's tab-loid rodeo with Ethel Nimo, age 8, is the concert attraction.

Gran Circo Americano Featuring U. S. Talent

SAN JUAN, P. R., May 1.—Gran Circo Americano is playing to good business here with an excellent pro-gram featuring several United States acts. The current bill is set for a four-week run.

four-week run. Line-up of acts includes the Jug-gling Jewels; Six Marcos, teeterboard; Andrea Sisters, unsupported ladders; Al Libby and Betty, comedy bike; Spiller's Seals, the Anchios, and the Flying Wilcos, trapeze.

Beatty Inks Vancouver

VANCOUVER, B. C., May 1 — Clyde Beatty Circus will play here May 24-28 on the Pacific National Exhibition Grounds. Org paid a city license fee of \$2,500.



JOHN IRVIN, University of Ken-tucky graduate, has joined the staff of Joyland Park, Lexington, Ky., to handle exploitation and advertising. While in exploitation and advertising. While in school, Irvin, who majored in journal-ism and advertising, worked part time as promotional man for Joyland's Ca-

A. D. Watson Named **CSSCA** President at **Richmond Gathering**

RICHMOND, Va., May 1.-A. D. (Ham) Watson, Richmond, was elected president of the Circus Saints and Sinners Clubs of America which met April 23 and 24 in national conlocal park. He was one of three Richmonders named to high office on closing day by the 300 members in attendance.

attendance. Others elected were Fred Pitzer, New York, vice-president; James Sconoblom, Bradford, Pa., secretary; Joseph Kass, Richmond, treasurer; Morton Goode, Petersburg, Va., legal adjuster; former New Jersey Gov. Harold Hoffman, New York, director of activities, and Howard McCoy, Norfolk, Va., librarian. The new board of directors is composed of Dr. Guy Fisher, Staunton, Va.; Mc-Coy; Dr. William H. Parker, Rich-mond; Remmie Arnold, Petersburg; George Huntington, New York, and Maynard Finney, Bradford, Pa. Members of Dexter Fellows Tent,

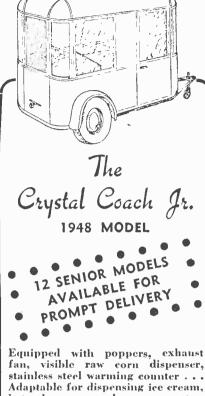
Maynard Finney, Bradford, Pa. Members of Dexter Fellows Tent, New York, put the convention into the right mood with stunts and skits and a parade down Broad Street. Members held a shad bake (liquid) the second afternoon and the meet-ing closed that night with a banquet and floor show in the Hotel John Marshall, George Hamid, New York, acting as emsee. Richmond's W. W. Workman Tent was host.

Denmark's Circus Miehe **Observes 80th Anniversary**

COPENHAGEN, May 1.---Circus Miche, one of Denmark's leading tent circuses, this season is celebrating the anniversary of its founding 80 years ago by Heinrich and Louise Miehe.

With 19 children of their own and two by adoption, the Miches were able to present a complete program with little necessity for engaging any additional talent. Feature of the circus was its horse numbers, which always have been outstanding.

For several years the Circus Miehe was managed by Dora Miehe, a daughter of the founders, but since her death a few years ago show has been under direction of Heinrich Kolzer Kolzer.



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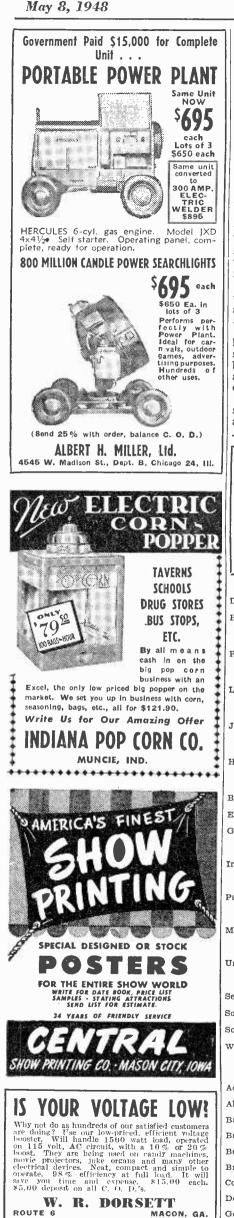
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playing to a half-house in the aft-ernoon and a full one at night. Weather conditions were ideal. Three other Ohio stands were made this week, the org then moving into West Virginia at Madison yesterday for six towns. King reports that the takes have been okay since the open-ing at Macon, Ga., April 10. Wellston, O., April 28, netted

three quarter houses at both matinee and night shows. Weather was cold and wet. At Hillsboro, O., Tuesday (27) matinee was light, with night house being three-quarters. Somer-set, Ky., Thursday (22), gave with better than three-quarter matinee and almost capacity at night. Weather clear but crisp, especially at night. King's motorized show moves on 38

show-owned trucks, the equivalent of a 15-car rail org. With the exception

Fair Dates

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ARIZONA

Duncan-Greenlee Co. Fair. Oct. 15-16. Stan-ley W. Coon. Holbrook-Navajo Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 17-19. John H. Miller.

ARKANSAS Prescott-Nevada Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 15-16. J. A. Craig Jr.

COLORADO

Longmont-Boulder Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 19-22. T. G. Thompson.

GEORGIA Jackson-Butts Co. Fair Assn. Oct. 7-13. W. M. Redman.

IDAHO Homedale—Ow Erma Parker. -Owykee Co. Fair. Aug. 20-21.

ILLINOIS

ILLIIVUIS Belvidere—Northern III. Fair Assn. Aug. 6-8. Mrs. Frieda Spencer. Elizabeth—Elizabeth Community Fair. Sept. 1-2. L. V. Batz. Griggsville—Griggsville Fair. July 6-9. J. R. Skinner.

KANSAS RAINSAS Inman—Inman Community Fair. Oct. 15-17. Wm. J. Braun.

KENTUCKY

Paintsville-Johnson Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 9-11. John N. Mostoller. LOUISIANA

LUUIJIANA Mansfield—DeSoto Parish Fair Assn. Oct. 6-9. May Huson.

MAINE

Union-North Knox Agrl. Soc. Aug. 24-28. James L. Dornan, E. Union. MASSACHUSETTS

MASSACHUSETTS Seekonk--Rehoboth Agrl. Soc. Aug. 21-26. Wm. J. Whitaker. South Weymouth--Weymouth Agrl. Soc. Aug. 15-22. Fauthal, Quincy, Mass. Southwick-Southwick Community Fair. Sept. 10-11. Mrs. Barbara Mathews. West Tisbury--Martha's Vineyard Agrl. Soc. Aug. 25-27. Mrs. H. L. Lewis, Vineyard Haven.

MICHIGAN

Addison-Addison Community Fair. Oct. 7-8.

Addison—Addison Community Fair. Oct. 7-8. Linton Smith.
Allenville—Mackinac Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 2-4.
A. R. Sobloskey.
Bad Axe—Huron Co. Fair. Aug. 31-Sept. 4. Glenn Wakefield, Kinde, Mich.
Bellville—Wayne Co. 4-H Fair Assn. Aug. 18-21. W. E. Hennells.
Berrien Springs—Berrien Co. Agrl. Assn. Sept. 16-19. Lucie Slekman, Buchanan, Mich.
Brown City—Brown City Agrl. Assn. Sept. 23-25. Louis F. Reuter.
Corunna—Shiawassee Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 9-14. E. R. Hancock.
Decatur—Decatur Agrl. Soc. Sept. 8-11. Mar-shall Orr.
Goodells—St. Clair Co. 4-H Club Fair. Aug. 26-28. C. S. Parsons, Port Huron, Mich.

HAMILTON, O., May 1. - After of the big top, a 110 with three 40's, playing five stands in Georgia, two in a holdover from last year, shows can Alabama, one in Tennessee and five in Kentucky, King Bros.' Circus, Floyd King, owner-manager, entered the Buckeye State here Monday (26), playing to a half-house in the aft-playing to a half-house in the aft-to the standard to be after a hugh the standard to be a hugh the standard to be after a hugh the standard t 2,800. General admission, including tax, is \$1.20; reserves go for a buck. The cookhouse, operated by Napoleon

Program Solid

Show offers an exceptionally pleasing program and performers are at-tractively costumed. Equestrian Director Charles Poplin, who has the two-hour program running smoothly presented a topnotch six-horse Lib-erty act. Teresa Morales, does a solid routine on traps, including heel and toe catches. The Chambertys (George, Millie, Max, Alex and Sosimo) pre-sent a crackerjack casting act, George accomplishing among other things a double pirouette to the hands of the catcher. Scoring with their tumbling and teeterboard work are the Cristianis, Chita, Cosetta, Remo, Benay and Adolph. They do difficult three-highs without a miss and in another spot, the two Cristiani girls give a flawless performance on a rosin back. The Caudillo Sisters (Carmen, Mar-guerite, Gloria and Dora), do nifty work as acrobats and on the steel work as acrobats and on the steel thread. Other wire performers who scored were Eddie Hendricks, Sylvia Gregory and Betty Biller. Sylvia also does an iron-jaw number that com-mands attention. Gladys Fox does a number with three elephants in the ring, finishing with a mount of five buils on the track. Sancho Morales puts his dogs thru their paces; Jewell Poplin does menage and appears in the Wild West. Mrs. Concha Morales is in charge of wardrobe, and Lillian Pierce is prima donna.

In the joey contingent are Fred Wenzell, Sidney L. (Red) Harris, Francis M. Cain, Billie Burke, Mar-vin E. Girard and Louis F. Shaw.

Jack Bell Has Band

The band, directed by Jack W. Bell, comprises Norman Webb, Jack Car-roll, Homer Clark, Frank Cotton, C. F. DeArment, Felix Gambone, Buddy Geiss (air calliope), J. A. Johnson, M. R. Smith and N. W. Gregson. F. R. Bolk does the announcing in

an able manner.

Numerous visitors were on hand in Hamilton, among them Mr. and Mrs. Hugh A. Barnhart, widely known among circus folk; Jake Mills, Mills Bros.' Circus; Joe Chambers, of Cole Bros.' Legal department, and Harry and Johnny Anderson, Enquirer Printing Company; Carey Emrie, old-(See King Invades Ohio on page 104)

Hale-Josco Co. Fair. Sept. 25-27. Harold F. Black, Whittemore, Mich.
Hudsonville — Hudsonville Community Fair. Sept. 2-4. Herman Vande Bunte.
Ironwood-Gogebic Co. Fair. Aug. 12-15. W. B. Fauhl, Bessemer, Mich.
Manchester — Manchester Community Fair. Oct. 4-5. Donald C. Weed.
Monroe-Monroe Co. Fair. Aug. 10-14. Mrs. John Crane.
Pontiac-Oakland Co. 4-H Agrl. Soc. Aug. 10-14. Mrs. Irene Younker, Oxford, Mich.

MINNESOTA

Anoka—Anoka Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 16-18. Ed I. Iverson. Elk River—Sherburne Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 16-18. E. Biuge. Grand Marais—Cook Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 8-10.

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Grand Marais-Cook Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 8-10. M. J. Humphrey.
Litchfield-Meeker Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 19-20. D. E. Murphy, Dassel, Minn.
Littlefork-Northern Minn. Dist. Fair Assn. Aug. 5-7. George Dahl.
Mankato-Blue Earth Co. Fair. Sept. 21-22.
W. C. Prat.
Motley-Morrison Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 15-17. Leroy Greig.
Pequot Lakes-Crow Wing Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 9-11. Myrtle Mabbott.
Perham-Perham Agrl. Soc. July 29-Aug. 1. C. B. Weber.
Pine River-Cass Co. Agrl. Assn. Aug. 23-25.
Homer Fraser.
Saint James-Watonwan Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 27-29. Hubert Ransom.
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New Attractions In R-B Side Show

NEW YORK, May 1 .--- The Ringling circus side show is installed, as usual, in the basement of Madison Square Garden, with Fred Smythe in charge. Smythe's staff here is made up of two lecturers, Charles A. Zerm and Edwin Fairhurst. Ticket sellers signed for the road are Red White, Bobby Hasson and Zerm.

Bobby Hasson and Zerm. Attractions include the Doll family, midgets; Kutty Singlee, fire eater; Jospeh Nawrath, midget musician; Rasmus Nielson, strong man; Baby Irene (new), fat girl; Sid Krofft and His Peerless Puppets; Miss Patricia (new), sword swallower; Korianna, snakes; Johann Petursson (new), Iceland giant; Mr. and Mrs. Fischer, giant couple; Skeets Hubbard (new), human pincushion; Hanka Kelter human pincushion; Hanka Kelter (new), Long-haired girl; Frieda (new), Long-haired girl; Frieda Pushnik, armless and legless won-der; Edward Hill (new), sponge car-toonist, and Mo-Lay (new), comedy juggler.

When the Big Show hits the road a troupe of Bohemian glass blowers and Arthur A. Wright, with a 25-member colored band and minstrel show, will join Smythe's aggregation.

Unexcelled Sales 200G Over 1947

NEW YORK, May 1.-C. Russell MacGregor, president of the Unexcelled Chemical Corporation, said here this week that fireworks sales are more than \$200,000 ahead of May 1, 1947, while production costs have been reduced by about \$100,000 an-nually. Other products manufactured by his firm show similar gains, Mac-Gregor said,

At a stockholders' meeting, Carl-ton B. Waller was elected president of the board of directors; John R. Dillon, chairman; Theodore J. Kauf-feld, chairman of the executive com-mittee; John B. Wheeler, secretary, and Joseph W. Wankmuller, con-trollor troller.

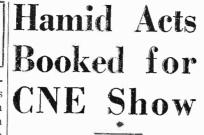
Sunday Play for Seaview **Until Season Bow May 30**

NORFOLK, Va., May 1.—Seaview Beach, Negro shore resort near Lynn-haven, will open the season tomorrow on a Sunday-only schedule until May 30, when it will switch to a policy of daily operation thru Labor Day.

The park, operated by Dudley Cooper, has five major rides, boardwalk, bathhouse, hotel, dance pa-vilion, and concessions. Free bus transportation from the city is pro-



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Leonidoff To Produce

NEW YORK, May 1.—Elwood A. Hughes, general manager of the Ca-nadian National Exhibition, Toronto, who arrived here last week with Mrs. Hughes following a month's tour of Europe, completed plans for what will probably be the largest entertainment program ever undertaken by the annual.

Meetings were held here with George A. Hamid, booker, and Leon Leonidoff, producer of the Music Hall

Leonidoff, producer of the Music Hall stage shows, with the result that the latter will have a hand in producing the Olsen and Johnson show, as well as aiding in the general production of other grandstand features. While in London Hughes met with Olsen and Johnson who are appearing there. Plans for a more intimate presentation of the comics in front of the new 22,000-seat grandstand call for the construction of a portable stage mounted on tracks which can be moved right into the paddock. Prior to sailing March 14 Hughes had inked the largest array of acts ever bought by the exhibition from Hamid in the 27 years that he has had the account. Hamid will feature a three-ring circus performance, with

three-ring circus performance, with the Zacchini double cannon act, 12 aerial acts and 20 stage acts. Afternoon entertainment will con-

sist of the thrill acts, Hoaglan's Hip-podrome Combination, and various thrill shows, including possible midget or stock car races if the track is completed in time. Night show will feature Hamid entertainment from 7 to 8:30, followed by the Olsen and Johnson show.

Johnson show. There is little doubt that the new grandstand will be ready in ample time for the exhibition opening. Con-struction of the track, however, will be slower because of the necessary installation of numerous sewage and drainage systems. The grandstand proper will also include restaurants, uncounting officiary ato

executive offices, etc. Plans call for the infield to contain various athletic fields which can be used for major sports events thruout Also contemplated is the presenta the

tion of a different name band on each of eight days in the Coliseum.

In Fall at Akron

Jack Kaster Killed

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SPEEDWAY ROUND-UP

(Continued from page 55) (Continued from page 55) setting a new track record for the seven and as half-mile oval. Allan Heath, 1947 Northwest champion from Seattle, was second and Howard Osborn, Oregon titleholder from Portland, third. Stan Muir, Los Angeles, finished fourth.

Culver City Results

CULVER CITY, Calif.—Chick Bar-bo, after starting at the pole, sped to victory in the midget auto races at the speedway here April 27 before 4,517 fans. Trailing were Bob Pank-ratz and Sam Hanks, in that order. Semi-main was taken by Troy Ruttman, and Danny Oakes copped the trophy event. Heat winners included Barbo, Hanks, Mac Hellings and Pee Wee Distarce.

ARDC Approves Crise Dates

RICHMOND, Va.—Red Crise's ap-plication for midget auto racing dates in Richmond, Norfolk and Roanoke, Va., and Winston-Salem, N. C., has been approved by the American Race Drivers' Club.

Cherry Park Draws 4,500

HARTFORD, Conn.—Bill Schind-ler, Freeport, N. Y., won the five-mile 000.

midget feature at Cherry Park Speed way in suburban Avon, Sunday (25 Attendance was estimated at 4,500.

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Manchester Precm May 9 MANCHESTER, N. H., Small ca races will get under way Sunday (S at the Motordrome, it was announce by George Hart, acting manager.

Danbury Races Resumed DANBURY, Conn.—Midget aut racing at the Danbury Fairground track was resumed Saturday (1).

Detroit Hot Rods To Bow DETROIT—Hot rod season at Part ington's Pasture Speedway her opened Sunday (2).

MONTREAL COPS' SHOW

(Continued from page 55) planning to make the show an annua event. An advance ticket sale, simi lar to the one used so successfully b the Hamid-Morton Circus, is alread being set up.

Last year the police limited thei show activities to the promotion of a field day which grossed around \$35,

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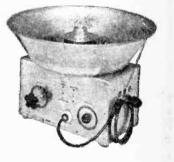
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cided that the only thing to do was to quit drinking it. This he did, and hasn't had a cup since.

Abandons Cane-With Reason

Altho he carried a cane on and off the lot for a number of years, he recently gave up the practice, temporarily, because of an incident on a circus lot. It seems that one of the patrons was hit over the head with a cane by another patron and the mishap was reported to local authorities. The man did not know who had hit him and gave only the description that "the man carried a cane." When the show personnel learned of the identifying description, naturally, they all quit carrying canes, Coe included.

Even tho he did not carry a cane for a long time, he evidenced little difficulty in getting back into the habit. But he has about 50 canes in his collection, one for almost any occasion. He declares that he's got too much invested in them to quit now.

But, his habit of using a cane runs parallel to his being a showmanhe just can't quit.





George Coe Has Spent 58 Years On Show Lots and Still Going

(Continued from page 55)

he was listed as George Coe. Since the money meant more to him than the straightening out of a little thing like a name, he did not bother to correct the error but signed simply as "George." The name has followed him thru life.

It was during his association with the Wallace show that Coe had one of the most memorable incidents of his show career. When the butchers were not pitching candy, they had other jobs to do. Coe's chore was to ride a camel in the parade. Wallace was playing Newcastle, Pa., and Coe was astride the dromedary, bobbing up and down along the main street. His section of the march had just reached the center of the business district when the animal suddenly remembered that back on the lot in the menagerie tent was a baby camel that she figured needed immediate care. So the animal took off for the lot with the youthful cameleer bouncing up and down at a rate 10 times faster than he had ridden to town.

Joins Sanger Shows

This young candy butcher remained with Wallace until show combined with the Carl Hagenbeck Circus. He moved over to the Sanger Shows, then owned by Art Bowers and Charlie Mugivan.

Coe's association with the Mugivan-Bowers outfit was short and he left the circus business to join a carnival, the Con T. Kennedy Shows. When he started, he had concessions. When he left in 1918, he was assistant legal adjuster to Walter Stanley.

he left in 1918, he was assistant legal adjuster to Walter Stanley. About the time that Coe left Kennedy, the future of all outdoor shows was dubious because of World War I. The war was at its height and this country was having sugar rationing along with influenza and spinal meningitis epidemics. Despite the gloomy outlook, Coe made a change, moving over to the K. G. Barkoot Shows. Soon after he joined, the show was tied up in Paducah, Ky., for 11 weeks because of the flu epidemic. Just about the time a number of showmen were thinking of throwing in the towel, the Armistice was signed.

Stage Gala Armistice Fete

Like every city in the nation, Paducah, too, decided to celebrate. The mayor came down to the lot and asked the show to open and go all out for a celebration. Coe remembers that the lid was off for the night and the concessions, which he had, garnered folding money. He remained with the show thru 1919, leaving at the close of the season to join the Hort T. Campbell Shows in Athens, Ga., the next spring. After a few weeks he left Campbell and returned to the Barkoot show, accepting an offer to become a partner. Here again he had the concessions. In the spring of the next year Coe

In the spring of the next year Coe formed a partnership with Edward Jessup and took over the midway concessions with Sol's United Shows when it opened in Metropolis, Ill.

Rejoins Barkoot Again

The Barkoot show had evidently exerted some strange influence over Coe, for in 1922 both he and Jessup returned to this outfit to take over the concessions and serve on the staff. Jessup was in the wagon and Coe became the legal adjuster. He remained until 1925 when he went with Boyd & Lindeman, now the World of Mirth Shows, in Pensacola. Fla. Until 1926, Coe had been a candy butcher a concession owner, an as-

Until 1926, Coe had been a candy butcher, a concession owner, an assistant legal adjuster and head legal adjuster. This year he moved into another bracket of show business that of owner.

Like getting the nickname, George, his entrance into the ownership category and operation of Coe Bros.' Circus, too, was an accident. He was driving across Indiana when he pulled into Richmond and noticed a show unloading on a lot near the highway. It was high noon. Being curious, as are all showmen when they see rolling stock, Coe stopped to see what the May & Dempsey Shows had been doing and planned to do. When he pulled off the lot two hours later, he had bought the show, changed the title to Coe Bros.' Circus and was forming its tour of the Southern and Eastern part of the nation. He had this seven-car railroad show out until 1932.

Heads for California

The depression was well on its way to hit rock bottom the next year and things were not good in any business, let alone the amusement field. The Coes, George and his wife, Betty, decided to see what the West Coast section had to offer. In the middle of 1932 they landed on Venice Pier. Despite the downward economic trend, Coe did all right with his concessions there. He withstood the stationary aspects of this job as long as he could and in 1935 went out with Hildebrand's United Shows as manager. He remained with Red Hildebrand until late in 1939.

Early in 1940 Coe formed a partnership with Orville N. Crafts and took out the World's Fair Shows and Coe Bros.' Circus Combined. After a year of this operation, Coe signed as general agent with Corey Bros. and remained with this outfit until 1942.

Has Fling With Carnival Martin E. Arthur, now one of the owners of Imperial Exposition Shows in the Midwest, had decided to take a fling at carnival operation and Coe became his general agent. This was a combination carnival-circus and was the forerunner of what later became Arthur Bros.' Circus in 1943. Coe left Arthur in 1945, serving the last two years of this association as manager.

The next jump was to that of general agent with Montgomery Wild Animal Circus.

In 1946 Coe joined the West Coast Shows as agent and business manager and this year took over his present job of business representative.

Wife Active in Showbiz, Too

In the 58 years that Coe has been in outdoor show business there have been times when thing's moved so rapidly that he has difficulty recalling what happened and when. One date, however, stands out in his mind. It is March 17, 1919. On that date in Springfield, O., he was married to Betty Nelson, who had been a singer and dancer in vaudeville. She also is active in show business today and travels with her husband. Prominent in show organizations, she is a past president of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the PCSA.

A discussion of the various shows with which he had been associated brought to light that he did not immediately recall joining the Leon Washburn Shows. It did not take him long to remember this association, for it was while this outfit was playing Tampa that his son, Eddie, was born. Eddie is with the Johnny J. Jones Exposition and is destined to carry on the family tradition in outdoor show business.

carry on the family tradition in outdoor show business. Coe is the type of man who can make up his mind and stick to his decision. About 15 years ago while making a cross-country trip he decided that the further he traveled the worse the coffee became. So he de-

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Weather Hits **Dailey Bros. At Huntington**

Other Spots Prove Okay

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., May 1.— Dailey Bros., which had been getting Dailey Bros., which had been getting the weather breaks since its 1948 trek started, ran up against old man weather here Wednesday, April 28, and came off second. An all-day rain hurt attendance, which otherwise might have been good. Both the mat-inee and night houses were light.

It was a different story, however, in Logan, W. Va., the day before, where the weather was ideal. Both shows drew capacity houses. The matinee was late getting under way because of the trouble workmen encountered in twoffic from the train testing late in traffic from the train to the lot. Logan is squeezed between two rows of mountains and has only one street running east and west. It proved a tough job moving the equipment down just one narrow and badly overcrowded street.

overcrowded street. A two-day stand in Lexington, Ky., netted good business. Opening day the show had a strong matinee and an overflow at night. Second day there was a matinee only, which drew a fair crowd. The matinee the sec-ond day was staged only because the show had been rained out at Mays-ville, a scheduled stop. Show offi-cials decided to make Lexington a two-day stand to get in the extra mat-inee for Maysville folks.

Biz Continues At Good Pace For Cole Org

Peoria Strike Hurts

DANVILLE, Ill.. May 1 .-- Outside DANVILLE, Ill.. May 1.—Outside of Peoria, which gave with only one day's good business on a two-day stand, Cole Bros.' Illinois tour is prov-ing a money getter. Peoria, home of the Caterpillar plant, is having strike troubles, with some 20,000 men out of work, and as a result business for Cole was off for Cole was off.

Other Illinois spots, however, proved okay. Springfield, after a fair matinee, gave with a full one at night: Bloomington registered capacity at night after a strong matinee and Dan-ville gave with capacity at night after a three-quarter matinee.

Ann Russel, trapeze performer, fell Ann Russel, trapeze performer, fell 35 feet during her act at Decatur but luckily didn't miss the safety net completely and escaped uninjured. Despite the fact the show was nearly two hours late in arriving, an esti-mated 5,000 persons were on hand to meet the show. Matinee biz was on the light side but night show drew a full house. full house.

Lexington Nixes Parade Fee

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 1.—Board of city commissioners here has passed an ordinance, under suspen-sion of rules, removing the \$100 li-cense fee for circus parades. Move caused speculation as to whether the city would see its first circus parade in several years when Cole Bros. plays here May 17.



AMONG MEMBERS of the Circus Fans' Association and the Circus Historical Society attending the Mills Bros.' Circus opening at Circleville, O., April 17, were, left to right: Harry M. Simpson, editor of Hobby Bandwagon; Lloyd Bender; Dr. H. H. Conley, president of CFA; F. L. McClintock and Robert C. King.



MONTREAL, May 1.—Col. Bob Morton, accompanied by Len Hum-phries, business manager, and about 76 performers, arrived here Wednes-day (24) to prep for tonight's open-ing of the annual presentation of the Hamid-Morton Circus under Shrine auspices. Advance ticket sale, handled by Al Hamilton, is reported on a par with last year's record take and indications are that a record gross is in the offing. gross is in the offing.

Following this engagement which ends next Saturday (8) the circus goes to Ottawa for the week begin-ning Monday (10) under Kiwanis auspices. Omar J. Kenyon is han-dling the advance sale and promo-tion tion.

tion. New Haven, Conn., is scheduled for the week beginning Monday (17) under auspices of the Junior Cham-ber of Commerce. Howard Y. Barry is handling the advance. Last date of the season will be in Harrisburg, Pa., for the week be-ginning Monday (24) under Shrine auspices. Vernon L. MacReavy has charge of the advance.

Buckeye State Kind To Mills Bros., But **Biz Slips in Indiana**

MARION, Ind., May 1.—Biz was good for the Mills Bros.' Circus dur-ing its swing thru Ohio, but dropped off here Thursday (29).

Cool weather hurt, but the program and the advance sale under the aus-pices of the Marion firemen, enabled org and sponsors to show a slight profit.

Springfield, O., Firefighters' Asso-ciation sponsored show in that city and a three-quarter house witnessed each of the two performances.

Stand in Piqua, O., was a red one under sponsorship of the Kiwanis Club. Matinee was a benefit for underprivileged children of the area.

The big show was well-patronized in Greenville, O., but the side show found the going rough. The org was under auspices of the Greenville Shriners.

Biz Fair for Dales

LONDON, Ky., May 1.—Biz proved just fair for Dales Bros. at both performances here, despite good weather.



Gross Now \$1,357,500

NEW YORK, May 1.-The Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus goes into the final week of its run at Madison Square Garden with every prospect of chalking up an attendance \mathbf{r} ecord.

record. Since last Sunday (25) the only seats left at the ticket windows have been the \$1.20 balcony pews, and even these have been sold out for many performances. Past week's at-tendance, thru tonight's performance, will be approximately 90 per cent of the Garden's capacity or around 176,400. With previous weeks regis-tering a gate of 366,600 this brings the grand total to about 543,000 and the total take, to date, close to \$1,357,500. \$1,357,500.

Big One is getting not only nation-wide publicity but also getting big play in European papers which played up news of the sudden death of clown Albertino prior to the show's dress rehearsal. Albertino and Lulu (Victor and Louise Adams) were a veteran English clown duo and well known on the continent of Europe as well as thruout Great Britain.

Umberto Schichtholz, European representative of John Ringling North, arrived in New York recently and is making the Garden backyard his headquarters.

Fine Weather, Big **Crowds Greet Cole** Org in Pennsylvania

MAHONOY CITY, Pa., May 1.-James M. Cole played to capacity houses at both performances here Saturday, April 24, with weather con-ditions ideal. This followed a near-capacity date in Pottstown, Pa.

Joseph McMahon, assistant man-ager of the org, said much of the side show tent could not be put up at Pottstown because of low-hanging high tension wires.

A house trailer used by several of the crew collided with a circus truck 30 miles east of Mahonoy City, but all escaped injury.

St. Louis **Cop** Circus **Talent Set**

Wirth Is Booker

ST. LOUIS, May 1.—Capt. John Buck, chairman, and Frank Wirth, booker, of the St. Louis Police Circus which opens here Sunday (9), have lined up a notable array of acts which reflect the expenditure of what was reportedly the largest talent budget ever available for this annual event. All production numbers have been devised and will be presented under the personal direction of Wirth and his assistant, John Lonergan. New this year will be an opening

New this year will be an opening spec, loaded with old-time circus at-mosphere, including ballet girls in aerial routines and numerous mobile animal cages.

Terrell Jacobs and his group of mixed wild animals and three riding acts presented by the Loyal Repensky Family, Zoppe Zavatta Troupe, and the Poodles Hanneford Family, will be among the features.

40 Tumblers

The acrobatic display will include 40 tumblers 40 tumblers, members of the Tien Tsi Liu Troupe, the Maschinos, St. Leons, Seven Brannocks, Ten Wong Troupe and the Valentine Troupe.

The Carl Wallendas will present two high wire acts. Obert Miller's elephants, Phil's Riding School, the Flying Zacchinis and George Valen-tine's flyers also are set.

Horse acts will include Hoaglan's two acts, Buschboms Liberty horses, the Rudynoff Family and Capt. Wil-liam Heyer and Starless Night.

Ham Heyer and Starless Night. High pole acts will include the Sen-sational Alcedos, Sensational Appol-los, the Seigrists and the Great Ar-thur. Other aerial routines will be presented by Aida, star in the moon; Mickey King, Aerial Solts, Wallenda's Aerial Ballet, the Valencia Trio and the Herzog Sisters.

Several Animal Acts

Novelty numbers inked are Rusko and his bear, Tiebor's seals, Friscoe's seals and Weldy's bears. The pony circus number will consist of Gau-tier's Steeplechase, Nana Woolford's Daschunds and Mme. Loyal's dogs.

Other acts are The Shyrettos, cy-clists; Jack Mayand and Eva, Laddfe Lamont, Mell Hall, the Heerdinks, Tiny Smith's Ford, Patterson's Ford, Armstrong's Ford, Risko and Nina, Maximo, Kay and Karol, Ebony Trio, Chick Yale, The Nissens and The Bricks. Bricks.

Set for clown alley are Happy Kel-lems, Paul Rasche, James Cogswell, Charlie Frank, Florenz, Roy Barrett, Lew Hershey, Hopp Green, Lizzy Wilson, George McGee, Billy Rice, Two Klippels, Whitey Harris, Henry Boers, Bentlage and partner, Van Wells and Billy Sweitzer.

Marietta Fans Flock To See **Rogers Despite Recent Floods**

MARIETTA, O., May 1. — Recent floods here apparently failed to dampen the enthusiasm of circus fans and the Rogers Bros.' org played to a full house at a night performance, following a peer-capacity matinee following a near-capacity matinee.

The fairgrounds, site of the circus, had been under six feet of water the previous week and a heavy covering of straw and sawdust was necessary to make the location usable.

Show arrived in Spencer, W. Va., too late for matinee, but played to a three-quarter house at night. **CIRCUSES**

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TIGHTS

Dressing Room Gossip

Ringling-Barnum

Third week in the Garden saw the show continuing a complete sell-out. Annual show at Bellevue Hospital was one of the highlights of the week. Program was supervised by Pat Valdo. Merle Evans, his band and a host of acts and clowns helped to make this occasion a happy one for patients and children.

The American Overseas Aid-United Nations Appeal for Children parade had many units from the show participating.

The Ringling branch of the Saro-Circo Club had its first meeting of the season. Arriello Bogino injured his leg during the leap act and will be out of the show for several weeks. Jenny Wallenda made her initial ap-Jenny Wallenda made her initial ap-pearance in the Zoppe riding act, re-placing Rosita Zavatta. Antoinette Concello celebrated her birthday. Frank Miller returned from Florida. Visitors: Father Ed Sullivan, Louis Arley, Mrs. McKenzie, Dusty Bagus, Butch Henline, George Hoffman, Dot-

tie Yakim, Joyce Werst, Louise Peterthe Yakim, Joyce werst, Louise Peter-son, Sherry Classe, Burt and Corrine Dearo, Eva May and Joe Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Ridge Hammell, Ralph Holt, Marshall Johnson, Claire Faucett, Margie Geiger's family, Jimmy Sul-livan, Bobby and Billy Porter, Shir-ley Carroll, and Doc Hall from King

Bros.' Circus. Celebrities included Billy Rose, Marlene Deitrich and daughter, Ger-aldine Brooks, Gloria Strook, Ann Sheridan, Steve Hannigan and Kay Kyser.

Back yard scenes: Merle Evans and Back yard scenes: Merle Evans and the band's rendition of *The Sabre Dance* proves a big hit with the per-sonnel. Paul Jung's rocket gag gets plenty of laughs. Midget members of Lou Jacobs' clown car gag, which always brings down the house, work hard to put the gag over. Fifi Dante sad over the fact that the Eldridge gimps are ill. Jeannie Sleeter always runs at the sight of a dog. Johnny gimps are in. Jeannie Steeter always runs at the sight of a dog. Johnny Tripp and Bobby Clark cutting up jackpots in the dressing room, remi-niscing about the old days. Barbette beaming as he continually receives praise for his aerial production num-ber, Monte Carlo.—MARY JANE MILLER.

King Bros.

We've put the miles behind us since our opening in Macon, Ga. Business continues excellent. En route to Corbin, Ky., a sleeper was side-swiped by a truck, damaging the trailer and injuring several of the big top boys. None was seriously big top boys. None was seriously hurt, however, and they are back on the job.

En route to Hamilton, O., Mr. Morales turned his bus over on a sharp curve. Nobody was injured and the only damage to the bus was a couple of broken windows. The wire act of Sylvia Gregory, Betty Biller and Eddie Hendricks boasts a good-looking wardrobe in addition to a snappy routine. The clowns are rehearsing the clown band daily, with Leopold Wen-zel as conductor and the writer as prima ballerina. Visitors have been many and in-cluded Ben Davenport and a party En route to Hamilton, O.,

cluded Ben Davenport and a party from Dailey Bros., E. Walter Evans and Charlie Wirth of *The Billboard*, Clyde Patterson and mother, Jimmy and Alice Foster, Mabel Mack, Harry and John Anderson and Hugh Barnhart. There was a surprise birthday party for Lucy Aarons, but more about that next week. — BILLIE BURKE.

Cole Bros.

Second week got off to a successful start in Evansville, Ind., to good weather and biz. Evansville is Billy Griffin's hometown. He had numer-

Griffin's hometown. He had numer-ous visitors including his parents. The concert is much improved over last year with Tommy Privett, Clar-ence Canary, Arizona Jack Campbell, Don Beale, Jimmy Kaaro, Joe Chirk-wa, Ruth Nelson and Jinx Adams in the riding line-up, topped off by Wrestlers Frank (Red) Robinson and Tommy Marwin Tommy Marvin.

When Col. Harry Thomas was casting his Ponce De Leon and the Fountain of Youth specs, he had three in mind for the featured role—Capt. John Smith, Harry MacFarlane and the writer, the latter being blessed with plenty of blond, curly hair and looking somewhat like Atlas (it says here), got the nod.

here), got the nod. James McElwee gave a between-shows dinner in his penthouse atop the Pere Marquette Hotel in Peoria with Lucio, Belmonte, Mogadore, June, Ortans and Corky Cristiani, Don Beale, Paul and Ruth Nelson, Noyelles and Hilda Burkhart, Hubert Castle, Winn and Marian Partello, Harold Voise and the Freemans as guests. Capt. John Smith and Frank (Alabama) Campbell started the sea-son A-Feudin' Fightin' and A-Fussin'.

son A-Feudin' Fightin' and A-Fussin'. Recent visitors include Bertie and Harriet Hodgini, Van Orman, Kitty Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mahaffy, Fred Reid, Herbert George, James Sheehan, Mrs. Niva Holmberg, Harry Mueller, Ben Wiley, Mrs. John Hoffs, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Armbruster, Doc and Ivy Wilson, Sverre O. Braathen, Father John Callahan and James Mc-Elwee.—FREDDIE FREEMAN.

Bailey Bros.

Journey from California over the snow-covered Sierras into Reno, Nev., was made without mishap, with drivers doing a dandy job on han-dling the big trucks and trailers.

Several persons were parted from their profits by the numerous gam-bling establishments for which the Nevada metropolis is noted.

Argument of long standing was set-tled when B. W. Huddelson, candy apple butcher, conceded Bob Broomeon candy floss, to be the better salesman.

Jack Wright, 24-hour-man, closed Jack Wright, 24-hour-man, closed and has been replaced by George De-Silva. Boss canvasman Blue Lundy has a full crew on the big top and gets it up and down on schedule. Lot Superintendent Andy White left. Birthdays were celebrated recently by George L. Myers, Skinny Goe, Otis Jones, Hunkie Johnson, Cecil Jones and Barbara Sadowski, the latter celebrating her first. Mrs. Hanna Griebling's daughter gave birth to a seven-pound boy April 11. The following staged a perform-

birth to a seven-pound boy April 11. The following staged a perform-ance at the Veterans' Hospital in Reno: George Myers, emsee; the Cardenas brothers, Hunkie John-son, Prince Buddah, Johnny Leal, Buck Leahy, Albert White, Lew Kish, Ko-Ko and Lo-Co Fairburn and George Barnaby.

Beorge Barnaby. Polack's Western Unit was repre-sented by Louis Stern, Harry Dann, Don Dorscy, Dennis Stevens, Rube Egan, Harold Barnes and his par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Ronstrom, Jack Joyce, Justus Edwards, Ed Raymond and the Chaisomay Troupe.

Other visitors included Ollie, John and Mary May, Jodi and Deway Conway and Frenchy Manning.— RUSTY BADER.

Scheduled one-day-stand in Lexington, Ky., turned into a two-day affair when flood conditions in Maysaffair when flood conditions in Mays-ville, Ky., prevented showing there. Matinee only was staged for hold-over in Lexington and personnel took advantage of time off to visit the grave of Man 'O War and several near-by horse farms. Butch, baby elephant, is the center of attraction behind a specially built

Dailey Bros.

of attraction behind a specially built pen in the menage and does a short turn in the concert. Mr. and Mrs. Davis are doing a good job on wardrobe. Ray Milton arrived to take charge of the train. Lexington towntake

charge of the train. Lexington town-folk apparently regarded the show as an animal shelter, judging from the number of puppies and kittens left on the lot for adoption. Mr. and Mrs. Tommy O'Brien and the writer were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nolte Reynolds at dinner and a trip thru the Mammoth Caves. They also were dimensionate of Mr. and also were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Northcutt.

Visitors included Eddie and Golda Grady, Mrs. George Mettler and son, Gene; Milton J. Durham and Mrs. W. E. Tyree. Ty Tyree is coaching high school bands in Glasgow, Ky.-HAZEL KING.

Polack Bros.' Eastern

The GAT Club had its first party during the stay in Springfield, Mo., April 23-25, at a Spanish-styled inn April

April 23-25, at a Spanish-styled inn 16 miles from town. It was pitch-till-you-win with the chicken. Gene Randow produced some good talent for the floor show. Prior to the opening in Springfield, Irv Polack put on a sneak preview for a group of Shriners. Acts presented included Erma and Rio, Ray Wilbert, the Ericksons, and the writer. Polack was emsee, and Whitey and Edith Boyd supplied the music. Charley Borza pulled into the park-ing lot piloting a blue and silver

Charley Borza pulled into the park-ing lot piloting a blue and silver trailer, custom built. The Emil Pal-lenbergs moved into their recondi-tioned house-truck. Richard Sidney entertains by showing his color movies. Christenson opened with his Black Horse Troupe. Else Sidney's injured leg has improved to the point where she is able to get around with-out crutches. The Lone Star line held the train for one-half hour in Jonesboro, Ark., permitting the show-folk to make connections to Tyler, Tex., for the stand which opened there April 28. Jimmy Mantlo's wife and son are on the show.—BILLY BARTON.

Garden Bros.

The move to Windsor, Ont., was dull and uneventful, with no ditches, motor trouble or flat tires. Attend-ance has been slightly off from last year, but we are enjoying summer weather.

weather. A special Circus Night was cele-brated with a banquet at the recently opened Elmwood Night Club. The Windsor Police Association was host. The Paiges, Jacques Gordon, Fifi, the Carr brothers, Empress, Modoc and Judy entertained.

and Judy entertained. On opening days our most popular man is Basil Whitfield, who is doing advance and 24-hour duties, thus picking up the mail. Ray Melzoras celebrated a birthday with cake and c a n d l e s. Gladys Gillum's living trailer caught fire while she was absent, burning wardrobe and per-sonal effects. Tommy Waters is on the half sick list, miserable but work-ing.

ing. Visitors: Dr. and Mrs. Visitors: Dr. and Mrs. George Brown (the former Rosina Nelson, of the Nelson Family); Mr. and Mrs. Charles Zemater, Chicago; Norman Boyle, who is rejoining George Keller's act as soon as the professor dismisses his pupils and locks the classroom door for the summer vaca-tion; members of the Wallace Shows and Don Smith, founder of the Circus Historical Society, with his fiancee, Julia.—DOLLY JACOBS. George

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Albertino Widow Staving For 1948 Ringling Tour

YORK, May 1. - Louise widow of Albert Victor NEW Adams, Adams, and his former partner in the clown act of Albertino and Lulu, is remaining with the Ringling-Barnum circus to work clown walkarounds. Adams, 48, succumbed to a heart attack while appearing on Joe Hasel's sport program at the WJZ studio prior

April 6. Funeral services were held in New York. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Yonkers, N. Y. The Adamses came from England to play a return engagement with the Big Show with which they appeared

in 1939. Louise is a member of a well-known family of vaude artists, and Adams also came of theatrical stock, his brother. Bertie, being man-ager of the Hippodrome in Birmingham, England,

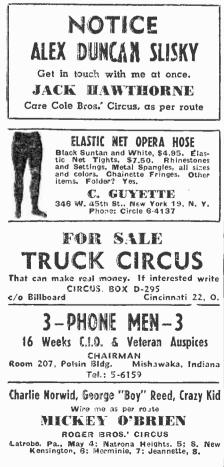
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UNDER THE MARQUEE

the Tableau & Chariot Circus, and the

Billo, tramp clown, cards that he is with the James M. Cole Circus.

Marie Griffey visited the Mills

show in Columbus, O., as guest of Louis E. Collins.

Ralph H. Bloss, who left the Bailey Bros.' advance, is night clerk at the Jefferson Hotel, St. Louis.

Harold Voise, who closed with the Clyde Beatty Circus April 3, has joined the Cole Bros.' Circus.

Hardy old-timer can always be spotted by his cane and bulging pocket that is filled with liniment bottles.

Bill Penny, of Pawnee, Okla., re-ports he plans to visit the Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros.' Circus when it plays his

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Former Los Angeles fire captain, Harlan DeWitt, again is with the



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LONDON, May 1.—Robert Fossett, 74, one of England's best known cir-cus operators, died at Northampton Hospital April 16. Fossett was a member of one of the oldest English circus families and started his career as a rider in his father's circus. At the time of his father's death, in 1924, Robert Fossett took charge of the family circus and remained in active command until the end of last season. Fossett is survived by his widow and by two sons and a daugh-ter, who will continue the circus.

R. Fossett, Famed British

Circus Owner, Dies at 74

Stevens Staff Announced

ment.

TEMPLE, Okla., May 1 .- Staff of TEMPLE, Okla., May I.—Staff of Stevens Bros.' Circus, which opened April 9 in Boswell, Okla., includes Robert A. Stevens, manager; Tom McLaughlin, general agent; Les Gar-ner, billing car; Carl Stone, side show manager; Edmond Shearer, conces-cione: Harry, Bocks, equestions, dives manager; Edmond Shearer, conces-sions; Harry Rooks, equestrian direc-tor; Bob Grubb, ring stock; Don Compton, producing clown; Willie Rawls, tickets; Claude Garner, ban-ners; Edward Baker, steward; Ruth Johnson, purchasing agent: Lura E. Stevens, front door; Bill Gowen, big top superintendent: Henry Smith, side show canvas; Emmett Carter, animals; Gene Stone, privilege car; John Kil-patric, novelties, and George Kilpatric, votton candy.

King First in Binghamton

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., May 1.— King Bros.' Circus, booked in here for Saturday (22), will be the first to play the city this year, J. M. Beach, show contracting agent, applied for the license the license.

One swallow doesn't make a summer on Barnum for fall production. The Tableau & Chariot Circus, and the production will be called Humbug, with the chief episode having to do with the showman's discovery of Jenny Lind. William Gaxton is said to be interested in playing Barnum.

> Art LaRue, clown cop on Clyde Beatty Circus, is building a funny Ford act to play West Coast fair dates.

> The Mandos Sisters, one of the outstanding imports on the Ringling show this season, missed several per-formances the past week due to ill-ness of one of the girls.

According to an old-timer, science couldn't discover a better cure for agitators than the red light at a country switch.

Gus Lind recently played the fair at King City, Calif., clowning and presenting his unsupported ladder and foot-juggling turn.

While playing Springfield, Ill., with Cole Bros., Jack Kennedy, whiteface clown, entertained several officials of International Harvester Company.

from a Chicago date.

(See Marquee on page 88)

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Two new rides, shows are added to line-up-Schmidt looks for big '48 season

By Hank Hurley

CHICAGO, May 1. — George A. Schmidt, president and general man-ager of Riverview Park here, re-cently returned from a winter's vaca-tion in La Jolla and Palm Springs, Calif, is hach in homes comparing ager Calif., is back in harness overseeing the preparations for the May 19 opening of his funspot.

Cornered in his office last Thursday, Schmidt, in between answering personal telephone calls and issuing orders on this and that detail, was in an optimistic mood. "I look for a very good year," he

"I look for a very good year," he said by way of opening the conversa-tion. "I don't say we'll equal 1946, which was a big season, but I do be-lieve we'll beat last year's grosses. Last year, you'll remember, we ran into plenty of tough weather during the first month of our operation. While wip did charge each the woother While we did okay once the weather improved, that slow start still hurt. This year the weather certainly can't be any worse than last year and in all probability it will be better. If that proves true, we'll top last year in gross business," Schmidt said.

Maps Publicity Plans

The Riverview owner admits that profits will be less this year, "be-cause of higher costs on almost every-thing." He explained that Riverview's

thing," He explained that Riverview's aim this year is to increase attend-ance and his publicity department has mapped a strong program. "We've always had a strong pub-licity program," Schmidt said. "This year, however, in addition to our mailing list, which now contains about 600,000 names, newspaper ad-vertising and billboards, we will use radio. We will have five spot an-nouncements of 50 words each seven days a week over WIND. These an-nouncements will start about a week before the park opens and continue daily thruout the season. This is the daily thruout the season. This is the first time we've tried radio and I be-lieve we will get results," Schmidt went on.

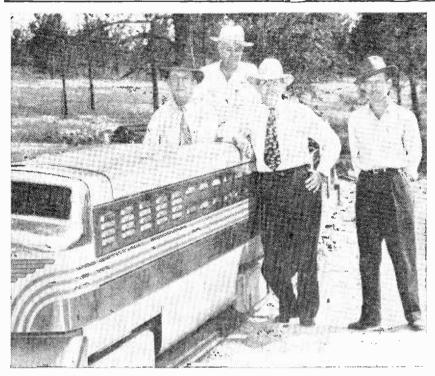
The usual painting and fixing up is going on at Riverview, and every-thing will be in tiptop shape for the opening. However, the customers will find two new rides and a new show on the midway this year. The new rides are the Water Bug and miniature train. The new show, leased to the Calameri and Trinker inter-ests, is expected to be an illusion the way and the show of the state of t show.

Enthuses Over Ride

"This Water Bug is something dif-ferent," Schmidt said. "It was used at the New York World's Fair and hasn't been in operation since. It's the only one of its kind in the coun-try and I think it will prove a sensa-tion." Begogging the Water Bug, which is

Regarding the Water Bug, which is located on the spot formerly occu-pied by the Tumble Bug, Schmidt explained the outfit has 19 boats and that they have devised a new system for its operation. The miniature train will boast two

(See Strong Flack on opposite page)



WHEN NEW LAKE FOREST PARK, Henderson, Tex., opens May 7 it will sport a miniature train among other kiddie rides. At the throttle is John R. Alford, donor of the park, and seated in the rear is Curtis Pruit, of the Texas forest service, who assisted in laying the track. Left to right, standing, are A. M. Wilkins, chairman of the park board, and J. T. Bell Jr., park superintendent. Former Cov. Coke Stevenson is expected to make the dedication speech at the opening of the park, financed by subscription of \$50,000 by business men. A swimming pool is ready for operation and other attractions are nearing completion.

Pontchartrain Bows for Season

NEW ORLEANS, May 1. - Pontchartrain Beach bowed for the season here today. Feature of the opening was a fireworks display, by the Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Company, was Chicago, with Art Briese in charge. Free act featured was the Gretanos high wire. New rides this year in-clude a Rolloplane and Funhouse, called Circus Daze.

Miniature Railroad

DETROIT, May 1. — City-owned Belle Isle Park may get a one-mile miniature railroad as the result of a proposal by Harry Stahl, superin-tendent of Eastwood Park, who has offered to install the ride on a con-cession basis. Stahl also operates a minnie railroad at Jefferson Beach. The concession would be at the north end of the island, along the banks of the Detroit River. Accord-ing to reports, Stahl offered the city 26 per cent of the gross. The project was recommended fa-vorably to city council by the Parks and Recreation Commission. A pro-posal by another concessionaire sev-eral months ago to install a Merry-Go-Round was turned down.

Philly Zoo Opens Monk Isle

PHILADELPHIA, May 1.-The an-PHILADELPHIA, May 1.—The an-nual opening of Monkey Island at the Philadelphia Zoo here is scheduled Sunday (2). Also scheduled as part of the opening ceremonies is a concert by the Girard College Band. Leroy Miller, of Station WFIL, will officiate at Monkey Island for the ninth straight year. Prior to the actual liberation of the monkeys, Miller will conduct an animal guiz program with conduct an animal quiz program with zoo souvenirs as prizes.

NEW LONDON, Conn., May 1.-Morris Lubchansky, counsel for Jo-seph Y. Gloth, disclosed this week that City Manager Edward R. Henkle has refused the concessionaire per-mission to operate at the city-owned Ocean Beach Park prior to official opening date, even tho other concessionaires are now operating.

New London Nixes. **Opening** for Gloth

Gloth has been involved in a suit with the city, which charges he with-held money due the municipality on a percentage basis after last year's operations. Gloth's offer of \$4,000 as the first installment on this year's business has been refused, his counsel said.

After a temporary injunction re-straining the city from canceling Gloth's contract was granted, the city filed a cross-complaint asking \$20,000 damages and contract cancellation.

Lubchansky declared that by not granting Gloth authority to open his concession early the city manager is reducing the municipality's percentage of the concessionaire's earnings.

John K. Balentine and William R. Canty, beach co-directors of activi-ties, have been reappointed for the coming season.

Swedish Parks Bow With Circus, Vaude Attractions

STOCKHOLM, May 1. — Grona Lunds' Tivoli and Nojesfaltet, popu-lar outdoor funspots, are in full swing. Nojesfaltet opened its season April 17, with Tivoli following suit Wednesday (28).

Both Stockhold parks, as well as Liseberg in Gothenberg, boast a good line-up of rides, restaurants and con-cessions and all present circus and vaude shows as free attractions.

Flint Funspot **Bowing May 5**

Free acts to be missing again this season-Glass House, lead gallery added

FLINT, Mich., May 1.—Flint Park opens for the season Wednesday (5). Park again will be under the direc-tion of L. H. (Doc) Firestone, presi-dent, and Howard M. Oviatt, general manager, with Pat Anger as superin-tendent. tendent.

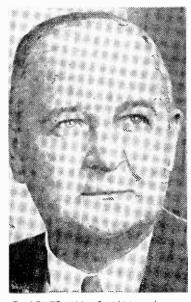
Park will open without free acts, as was done last year for the first time in years, but may book them later. Talent cost was said to be the rea-son for dropping the policy last season.

Some 30 picnics, including indus-trial, church and school organiza-tions, have been booked.

New this season is a Glass House, operated by the management, and a shooting gallery. A new athletic field is being prepared, but probably will not be ready till midsummer because of work required to get the ground in condition.

Big Season Seen By Eddie Carroll

AGAWAM, Mass., May 1.—At conclusion of the third week-end of operation, Edward J. Carroll, owner operation, Edward J. Carroll, owner of Riverside Park here, is convinced this season will be one of high grosses. Week-end business to date, according to Carroll, is keeping pace with that of last year. With the addition of two new projects, Riverside Stadium and Riverside Gardens, which will preem about June 1, Carroll is highly opti-mistic and says grosses this year may even top previous highs. Work on the stadium is going along on a night-and-day basis. Riverside gocs into daily opera-tion this week-end.



CHARLES W. SWAN, who was recently named director of recreation and special events at New Bay Shore Park, Bay Island Beach, on Chesapeake Bay near Baltimore, brings to the resort a vast background of experience in the promotion of special events.

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LOUISVILLE, May 1.—Plans for establishment of a zoo here have been announced by Howard Van Arsdale, member of the recently organized Louisville Zoological Park Society.

Eventually, he said, the organiza-tion hopes to operate, in addition to

tion hopes to operate, in addition to the zoo, a park containing exhibits of natural resources and products manufactured in Kentucky. The society plans to ask the city to allocate 25 to 35 acres for the park, with money for the program being raised by contributions. Incorpora-tion papers authorize the organiza-tion to borrow up to \$100,000.

L. A. Ride Celebration

LOS ANGELES, May 1.—First an-niversary of Griffith Park's miniature railroad was celebrated April 17, with a "birthday" party attended by screen celebs and civic leaders. Operated by Sam Bornstein, the train carried 589,000 people in its first year, it is reported.

Hauswald Resigns Post

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., May 1.— E. W. Hauswald, owner of several rides and of Playland Park here, has retired as manager of the Metz Bak-ing Company, Sioux Falls, after 12 years in that position.



winter in Store Shows. Until May 20th write "WONDERS OF THE WORLD," FRANK COLEMAN, MGR., Temple, Texas; then Amusement Pler, Galveston, Texas.

Strong Flack **For Riverview**

(Continued from opposite page) units on one track. Schmidt estimated over \$100,000 was spent on the two rides. The miniature train tickets will go at 10 cents each, with the price on the Water Bug being 25 cents.

Schmidt said there will be no change in Riverview's price policy. "We'll continue with our 2 and 5-cent days and all other prices will hold,' he said.

Will Hold Mardi Gras Again

Schmidt says there is no doubt that Schmidt says there is no doubt that money isn't as free as it was a couple of years ago, "and you've got to keep banging away with publicity and ad-vertising to get the people out." No special opening-day ceremonies are planned, Schmidt said. He added, however, that the park will hold its Mardi Gras carrival again this year

Mardi Gras carnival again this year. The Mardi Gras will open August 14 and continue thru September 12. In regard to the Mardi Gras, which

In regard to the Mardi Gras, which features band concerts, Schmidt re-minded that this event was started last year after a wartime lapse. "It was a tremendous success last year and I see no reason why it won't be this year," he concluded.

Belmont Season Bow Skedded for May 15

MONTREAL, May 1.—A preview has been scheduled for Belmont Park Saturday (8) with the formal opening the following Saturday (15), Rex D. Billings, general manager, announces. Numerous guests will be hosted at the

preview by the management. Park again will concentrate on the booking of industrial, commercial and fraternal picnic groups. Free facilities offered include tables and benches, an athletic field, shelters and clubrooms for committees. Maurice A. Lamarre is business promotion manager. Free attractions again will be featured.

The Bronx (N. Y.) Zoo recently added an afropavo (congo peacock), said to be the only one of its kind in captivity. It is bronze, green gold and brown and about the size of a ring node phecent ring-neck pheasant.



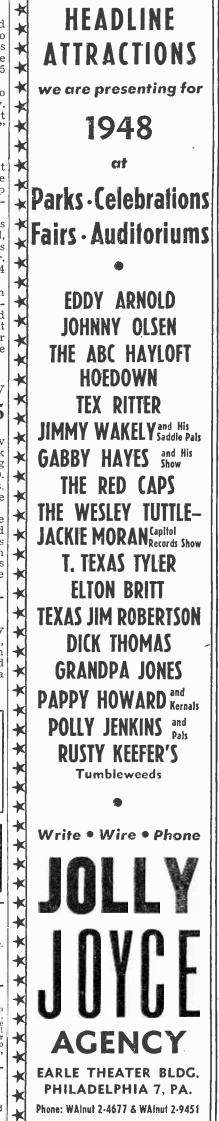
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Hoosier Fete To Get Record Air Coverage

235G Radio Center Set

INDIANAPOLIS, May 1.-Plans for the most extensive radio coverage of the Indiana State Fair in that event's history are well under way—spurred greatly by positive assurance that the \$235,000 Radio Center-Paddock will be ready for use when the annual begins its customary eight-day run. The center was slated to open in 1947 but construction difficulties in-tervoued tervened.

Each of the building's 12 modern broadcasting studios already has been broadcasting studios already has been allocated, and late comers are scram-bling for advantageous spots else-where on the fairgrounds. Actually, however, 18 individual stations, in addition to approximately 10 Indiana FM Association outlets, will operate from the center. This will be pos-sible as many stations have agreed to share facilities. share facilities.

Stations Listed

Stations Listed Stations which will be present in-clude WKJG, Fort Wayne; WXLW, WFBM, WIBC, WIRE, WISH and WHMC-WWHB, Indianapolis; WKMO and WIOU, Kokomo; WTHI and WBOW, Terre Haute; WHOT, South Bend; WHBU, Anderson; WBAT, Marion; WASK, Lafayette; WLBC, Muncie; WSUA, Bloomington, and WGFB, Evansville. Several other stations (WTOM and

WGFB, Evansville. Several other stations (WTOM and WTTS, Bloomington; WOWO, Fort Wayne; WBAA, Lafayette; WLS, WBBM, WGN, Chicago; WHAS, Louisville, and WLW and WKRC, Cincinnati) have indicated they will be on the grounds for one or more broadcasts broadcasts.

WLS will return with its *Dinner Bell Hour*, while organist Herbie Koch is slated to work the horse shows in the Coliseum for WHAS.

Dedication Fete Set

In a gigantic effort to express appreciation for the erection of the center, Indiana broadcasters will unite in a State-wide hookup of the building's dedication program, scheduled the afternoon of September 4. Thirtythree of the State's stations have signed to air the event and it is hoped at least one of the major networks

will be present. Hoosier Radio Round-Up, the talent (See INDIANA SET, opposite page)

Central Texas Pares Nut After 20G Loss

TEMPLE, Tex., May 1.—An oper-ating loss of \$20,000 last year, making necessary the sale of 4 per cent bonds in that amount to cover the deficit, has prompted officials of Central Texas Fair here to make program retrenchments so that this year's event, scheduled for September 21-25, will finish in the black, reports Bob Gresham, advertising and pub-licity chairman. licity chairman.

A contract has been signed for the J. George Loos Greater United Shows to supply midway attractions, and rodeo purses have been approved by the Rodeo Association of America,

said Gresham. Last year the rodeo was offered in the afternoon, with Roy Acuff and His Smoky Mountain Boys taking

Around the Grounds: **Charles Yeager Is Named Head** Of Dallas Press - Advertising

Charles Yeager, for 10 years with Cosmopolitan and other Hearst magazines in New York and prior to that with The New York Evening Journal and The New York World-Journal and The New York World-Telegram, has been appointed direc-tor of publicity for State Fair of Texas, Dallas, according to W. H. Hitzelberger, executive vice-presi-dent and general manager of the fair. Yeager is a native Texan and former Dallas newspaperman. Early in the war he did personnel and public relations work for the army air forces at Patterson Field, O., and later joined the navy as radar technician. At the State fair he will also head the advertising department, Hitzelberger said.

South Louisiana State Fair, Donaldson, this year for the first time in 30 years will operate with a free gate, Secretary Philip M. Sleet advises.

Miles Horst, Pennsylvania's secre-tary of agriculture, announces that an advance listing indicates that 88 coun-ty and community fairs will be held this year in 49 counties.

Max Cohen, general counsel of American Carnivals' Association, has been elected to the board of directors of Monroe, N. Y., County Fair for a three-year term.

Nic Huddleston, manager of the Placer County Fair, Roseville, Calif.,

Exhib Space Scarce As Big European

PARIS, May 1.-Three of Europe's most important commercial fairs, the Paris International Trade Fair, Milan International Fair in Italy's principal trade center, and the British Indus-tries Fair held in London and Bir-mingham, will be in full swing this week.

International Fair of Milan, occupy-(29) with more than 15 foreign na-tions presenting exhibits. While the United States is not officially partici-pating, several American firms occupy

pating, several American firms occupy stands at this year's fair. The Annual Foire de Paris, occupy-ing permanent fairgrounds in the Porte de Versailles quarter of Paris, opens today with the biggest line-up of exhibitions since the end of the war. While this year's total of exhibi-tors tops last year's by 400, more than 12,000 requests for space were turned down due to lack of space. Foire de Paris occupies an area of 550.000 square yards, of which 150.000

550,000 square yards, of which 150,000 square yards are taken up by perma-ment exhibition halls, 29,000 square yards are covered by temporary yards are covered by temporary wooden structures, and 102,000 square yards are given over to open-air dis-plays. Fairgrounds lay-out includes a large building for special events, banquets and meetings and special attractions are promoted to draw the general public as well as buying agents. Fair runs 17 days.

The British Industries Fair, which is to be an annual, is split up between the afternoon, with Roy Acuff and His Smoky Mountain Boys taking over the arena for two shows each night. Both offerings lost money. This year the rodeo will be held at night. Smaller attractions will re-place the Acuff show. The horse show, another 1947 loser, will be cut. The gate is 25 cents, including tax, for adults and 12 cents for children.

has announced that the State Centen-nial Commission will participate in this year's annual, which will be held for four days, beginning August 19.

Ed Ritter has resigned as secretary of the Miami County Fair, Troy, O., after serving in that capacity for 18 years. His retirement inspired an editorial in the Troy newspaper which lauded his ability, zeal and loyalty in behalf of the fair.

The All-Iowa Fair, Cedar Rapids, Ia., has increased the grounds admis-Ia., has increased the grounds admis-sion price from 25 to 50 cents per person. Children under 12 will be admitted free. Earlier the fair adopted the no-pass policy for the 1948 exposition. Only other change in prices this year was the lowering of grandstand general admission for children from 30 to 25 cents.

The Fort Dodge (Ia.) Municipal Band faces a busy lowa fair season. Walter Engelbart, business manager of the org, announced that it will play the Iowa State Fair, Des Moines: Bu-chanan County Fair, Independence; Sac County Fair, Sac City; Hamilton County Fair, Webster City, and the Clay County Fair, Spencer, The last two fairs are new to the band's schedule.

Program planning is under way for the annual Wapping (Conn.) Fair under the direction of Walter G. Fos-ter, president. George Potterton heads hib Space Scarce s Big European Fairs Get Started ^{the}, president. George Potterion heads the premium book and program com-mittee. Mr. and Mrs. Potterton were appointed delegates to the annual meeting of the Association of Con-necticut Fairs at the Hotel Bond, Hartford, April 30.

Jack W. Gordon, general manager of Gordon's Entertainment Bureau, Hartford, Conn., reports that he is lining up acts for small Connecticut fairs and carnivals. Gordon's daugh-ter, Connie, heads for Paris in June to study art. She recently concluded studies at Columbia University, New York York.

Attraction Bill Set At Middletown, N. Y.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., May 1.— The schedule has been set for Orange County's 108th annual fair here Au-gust 16-21. The Rockette Revue will be a grandstand attraction, along with fireworks.

with fireworks. Monday will be Children's Day with a pony giveaway. Tuesday fea-tures will include vaudeville and a local rodeo. Harness racing will be offered Wednesday and Thursday, vaudeville and a cavalcade Friday and auto races Saturday.

Return to Three-Day Run Sought by Estevan, Sask.

ESTEVAN, Sask., May 1.—Direc-tors of Estevan Agricultural Society are anxious to expand their two-day summer fair into a three-day event and will apply to the Western Canada Fairs Association to have a third day added after this year. Estevan had a three-day fair prior to 1943, when Moose Jaw was readmitted to the Class B fair circuit.

Prize lists have been revised this year and awards have been increased. A feature display will be that of the best Aberdeen-Angus cattle in Sas-katchewan. A building is being katchewan. A building is being moved from Estevan airport for use as an exhibit building.

Move To Shift Santa Ana Operation

To 32d Ag District SANTA ANA, Calif., May 1. — Orange County Board of Supervisors, which recently decided to surrender county fair operations to the 32d Agricultural District, has taken action here to make the transfer official by

Nere to make the transfer official by resolution. Wording of the resolution was that submitted by the State Division of Fairs and Expositions and set out that the county "will permanently discontinue holding a county fair for which the county would be eligible to par-ticipate in allocations from the State."

Earlier notice-of-intention to aban-Earlier notice-of-intention to aban-don the fair as a county-sponsored event threw the State Division of Fairs into a dither. Officials in Sac-ramento apparently had never run across anything just like that before and a flood of correspondence developed with Orange County Auditor Les Eckel, who has charge of the more than \$135,000 in fair funds which ul-timately will be surrendered to the agricultural district.

Eckel said that before the fair board can continue any negotiations for transfer of the fair, the resolution would have to be properly worded. Approval of the county's discontinuance of fair sponsorship is apparently routine.

Meanwhile, the fair board is con-tinuing with negotiations with War Assets Administration for acquisition of 175 acres and some 120 buildings at Santa Ana Army Air Base for loca-

at Santa Ana Army Air Base for loca-tion of the fair. No fair will be staged until mid-summer, 1949, however, since it will require considerable time to put the site and buildings into condition for the exposition.

San Joaquin County

Planning Race Strip STOCKTON, Calif., May 1.-Ed Vollman, secretary-manager of San Joaquin County Fairgrounds, an-nounced approval of a new three-cupation wile strip inside the one-mile quarter mile strip inside the one-mile

quarter mile strip inside the one-mile race track here. The new oval will replace the pres-ent half-mile circuit and will be used exclusively for running races, with the mile route reserved for trotters and pacers.

Calif. Gov. Names Haigh, Nighbert in 42d District

SACRAMENTO, May 1.—Gov. Earl Warren has appointed two members of the board of directors of the 42d District Agricultural Association in Glenn County.

Melvin Haigh, Orland, a County road commissioner, will serve

County road commissioner, will serve a new term on the board of directors ending January, 1952. He was first appointed in May, 1945. R. C. Nighbert, deputy sheriff of Orland, who originally was appointed by the governor in October, 1944, has been reappointed for a new term also ending January, 1952.

Corporation May Take Over Annual in South Dakota

RAPID CITY, S. D., May 1.—Pen-nington County Fairgrounds probably will be managed by a corporation this year. A tentative agreement has been reached whereby the Black Hills Ex-position Corporation will lease the fairgrounds from the county for \$1 a year for 10 years.

During that time, the corporation must sponsor a county fair each year and must turn all profits back into maintenance and improvement of the grounds.

Fair Dates

(Continued from page 59) Saint Vincent—St. Vincent Union Indust. Assn. Sept. 16-17. L. C. Ward. Waseca-Waseca Co. Agril. Assn. Aug. 5-8. Judge Leon Sexton.

MONTANA Chinook-Blaine Co. Fair & Rodeo. Sept. 5-6.

Floyd Bowen. Forsyth-Rosebud Co. Fair & Rodeo. Aug. 17-19. Fred R. Cox. NEBRASKA

Norden-Keya Paha Co. Agrl. Soc. Sept. 9-11. Harley McCormick. Weeping Water-Cass Co. Agrl. Soc. Aug. 25-27. Owen Welch.

NEW HAMPSHIRE Deerfield—Deerfield Fair Assn. Sept. 30-Oct. 2. Etta O'Neal, S. Deerfield.

NEW MEXICO Alamogordo-Otero Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 10-11. Mrs. Lilian Bagwell. Springer-Colfax Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 17-19. C. L. Krause.

NORTH CAROLINA

High Point—High Point Agrl. Fair Assn. Sept. 20-25. T. C. Potts. Rutherfordton—Rutherford Co. Agrl. Assn. Sept. 13-18. T. W. Calton. Winston-Salem—Western Carolina Fair. Oct. 12-16. W. Avery Jones.

OREGON

Albany-Linn Co. 4-H Fair. Sept. 1-3. O. E. Mikesell. Eugene-Lane Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 22-25. Ernest McCulloch. Hermiston-Umatilla Co. Fair Assn. Aug. 26-29. LeRoy E. Fuller.

PENNSYLVANIA

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Hermiston-Umatilla Co, Fair Assn. Aug. 26-29. LeRoy E. Fuller.
PENNSTLVANIA
Beaver Springs-Beaver Community Fair. Sept. 52-25. Kerveth H. Boyer.
Bellwood-Antis Community Fairn Show. Oct. 21-23. W. C. Singleton.
Cambridge Springs-Cambridge Springs Fair Assn. Sept. 16-18. Caroline Russell.
Clarks Summit-Newton-Ransom Fair. Sept. 15-18. Edward C. Hopkins.
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Bether Community Fair. Sept. 64-8. D. R. Hill.
Manpeter-Lampeter Community Fair. Sept. 64-8. D. Lamp.
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Mill City-Fails-Overfield Fair. Sept. 16-18. Mrs. Doris Gregory.
Mill Hal-Cilnton Co. Grange Agrl. Assn. Aug. 25-28. J. Pex Haver.
Mill City-Fails-Overfield Fair. Sept. 23-28. Clarence E. Emery.
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SOUTH CAROLINA

Chester-Chester Co. Colored Fair Assn. Oct. 11-16. M. M. Sitton.

TENNESSEE

Callatin-Gallatin Colored Fair. Aug. 26-28. Edw. V. Anthony Sr. Sevierville-Sevier Co. Fair. Sept. 13-18. Ernest Thurman.

TEXAS

Bowie-Montague Co. Fair Assn. Sept. 23-25. O. B. O'Dell. Cleburne-Johnson Co. Fair & Rodeo. Sept. 13-18. Jack D. Brown, Fredericksburg-Gillespie Co. Fair. Aug. 20-22. H. C. Meurer.



FRANK H. KINGMAN, Brockton, Mass., secretary of International Fairs and Expositions, is shown with his three-year-old daughter, Holly. The youngster recently was lost for three hours and found only after an extensive search in which police, press and radio co-operated. The incident was deemed worthy of a sizable feature story in The Brockton Enterprise-Times.

Boone, Ia., Shifts to Fair From Achievement Program

BOONE, Ia., May 1. — Boone County Agricultural Association, shifting this year from an achievement program to the establishment of a fair, is pushing a campaign for \$25,000 to carry out a plant-building program already under way. Two structures to house livestock and exhibits are under construction.

In previous years the exhibits have been scattered in buildings thruout the city. The association is one of the oldest

in the State sponsoring an achieve-ment show. The shift to a fair is intended, among other things, to qualify it for State aid.

Figy's Authority Is Cut

By Atty. General's Ruling

LANSING, LANSING, Mich., May 1. — Charles Figy, Michigan director of agriculture, has no voting power or veto authority as chairman of the board of fair managers of the Michi-gan State Fair, Attorney General Black ruled here

Black ruled here. Hazen L. Funk, board secretary, had asked for a ruling, pointing out it would do much to clear up "mis-understandings" which have occurred between State fair managers and the agriculture department.

Mitchell, Neb., Annual To Be Held Sept. 6-11

MITCHELL, Neb., May 1.—Scotts Bluff County Fair will be held here September 6-11, board of direc-tors announced. President William Ledingham Jr., of Lyman, also an-nounced the appointment of four men to his executive committee. They are C. R. Watson, M. C. Can-non, Lewis Newell and E. A. 2-mp-son, all of Mitchell. It was sug-gested by the board that the ad-mission prices be reduced.

Rocky Mt. Empire, V. Roy Shows To Play S. D. Date

BELLE FOURCHE, S. D., May 1. Alfred Hanson, chairman of the Butte County Fair Board, has booked the V. Roy Show thru the Johnny Gunier Agency, Sioux City, Ia., for the Butte Fair, August 26-28. The Rocky Mountain Empire Shows

will furnish rides and concessions. The Belle Fourche Cowboy Band and the Newell, S. D., Band will furnish free entertainment on the grounds.

Palestine-Anderson Co. Fair (Texas Fruit Palace). Oct. 11-16. C. O. Miller Jr. WISCONSIN

Webster-Central Burnett Co. Fair. Sept. 2-4. | for the Albert Stone.

Indiana Is Set The Honeymoon is Over!

For Extensive **Radio** Coverage

(Continued from opposite page) show which has been a smash hit since its inauguration two years ago, will be presented the evening of September 4, with a sellout virtually assured.

assured. Harry Smythe, Fort Wayne im-presario who introduced the show, has given up its production to devote his time to activities at his Buck Lake Ranch. This year the attraction will be handled by the Association of In-diana Broadcasters (AIB). The AIB has completed negotiations with the fair board and a committee headed by Ed Mason program director of by Ed Mason, program director of WIBC, will handle the details. An

will be obtained. As in the past, bulk of the talent will be supplied by Indiana radio stations, with one or two name stars featuring the bill. The signing of Red Skelton and Lum 'n' Abner to fill the featured enerty is in fill the featured spots currently is in the rumor stage.

Likewise, several large Hoosier business concerns are being nudged for possible sponsorship of the pres-entation, which last year was under the auspices of the Monon Railroad and Kingan & Company.

Virtually the same hookup which is to carry the dedication ceremonies will air the *Hoosier Radio Round-Up*, with the AIB paying a card rate to all carrying the show and established fees to all talent from its share of the proceeds proceeds.

All radio activities again will be handled by representatives of Gem-mer-Johnson, Inc., Fort Wayne public relations and advertising firm.

Weyburn, Sask., Ups Preems; To Get New Cattle Building

WEYBURN, Sask., May 1.—Prize money for the two-day Weyburn Agricultural Exhibition will be boosted 20 per cent, to about \$4,000. A new cattle barn will be built at a cost of \$4,000 and \$400 will be spent

on the industrial building. Prizes for horse racing will be about \$1,500. W. Martin's sheep-herding dogs from Maple Creek, Sask., will be one of the featured at-tractions tractions.

Ed Hill Pushes Full-Scale Plans at Kalispell, Mont.

KALISPELL, Mont., May 1. – Ed E. Hill, recently named manager of the Northwestern Montana Fair here, is pushing plans for a full-scale fair. Events this year will include a night grandstand revue, horse racing, fire-works, midway, and youth activities and exhibits and exhibits.

For several years Hill was presi-dent of the Eastern Montana Fair at Miles City. Dates for the event here are August 26-28.

Abel, Nelson Open Agency

HOLLYWOOD, May 1.-Neal Abel and Bert Nelson, for the past several years with the Joe Bren Talent Company, have opened a booking agency here. It will be known as Neal Abelhere. It will be known as Neal Abel-Bert Nelson Entertainment Agency, booking attractions at clubs and fairs. Associated with the agency are Mona Pratt, who will handle women's clubs, and Freddie Miller.

Foam Lake Elects R. Tebby

FOAM LAKE, Sask., May 1.-R. Tebby has been engaged as secretary-treasurer of Foam Lake Agricul-tural Society. President Fred Smith and a committee will revise the stock prize list. A contract has been signed for the E. J. Casey Shows to play the



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Weather Blanks C&W's Bow **In Petersburg But Owners** Looking Thru Rosy Googs

Raynelle, Purtle, Judy Units Add Class to Midway

By Jim McHugh

It was a bad beginning, but Co-Owners Jack Wilson and Issy Cetlin aren't anticipating anything but good fortune, since their shows as presented here fresh out of their fairgrounds winter guarters a few blocks from the Washington Street lot is geared to require big grosses and impress fair secretaries.

fair secretaries. Altho only starting their third sea-son on rails, the owners this year were able to concentrate largely on attractions after two years of effort and the expenditure of several bar-rels of money in getting physical equipment in tip-top shape. The result shows promise of rating con-siderable notice in the trade and add-ing up to first-class bragging material for the partners. Rides and the front end can hold their own, indicating that no one department has been slighted. Everywhere there are indi-cations that the boys' ambitions are as big now as they were when they decided to abandon a highly credit-able fleet of trucks and paraphernalia in favor of a train. in favor of a train.

Already in operation and lacking few of its planned final frills is Ray-nelle's Girl Show, which rates a nod from all visiting showmen. Raynelle's Show) cost about 14G, Wilson said. The figure is quite believable, since stage settings and costuming are lavish, as is the new neonized corrugated stainless steel wagon front.

The show is presented in a new **900-seat** top and the talent is good to **the** point that staffers have not yet

Name Gal Sought **As Hennies Bows** In Hot Springs

HOT SPRINGS, May 1.—"I'm still shopping," Harry Hennies, owner of Hennies Bros.' Shows, said Thursday (29), in discussing his intention to find a replacement for Sally Rand who last year headed a highly suc-cessful unit with his org. Harry added, "I probably will close for an outstanding name gal within the next few weeks." His shows this week came out of

His shows this week came out of His shows this week came out of hibernation, bowing before the folks in this city, where it had wintered. He was satisfied with its pleasing appearance. After counting up the take for the first three days, he allowed that business was "up to expectations" for this resort. Not all equipment was up for the opening. Two rides, a Pretzel and a Hi-Ball, will be used for the first time at Little Bock where the shows play

at Little Rock, where the shows play next week. Sixteen shows, including Duke Pilgrim's minstrel unit, a new addition, are working here.

PETERSBURG, Va., May 1. — In-clement weather beginning at 8 to-night washed and froze out the preem performance of Cetlin & Wilson Shows here.

Acquisition of Raynelle, who served what amounted to a career on the Royal American Shows, resulted in a package deal, since hubby George Golden is the org's new business manager manager.

Another top-bracket show feature acquired this year is Earl Purtle's Lion Motordrome. This will be Pur-tle's first season on the road since the war. He had his 'drome, following (See Weather Blanks on page 86)

Endy Savannah **Bow Gala Event**; Show Is Flashy

SAVANNAH, Ga., May 1. — Fine weather, excellent attendance and re-ceipt of numerous congratulatory messages and floral pieces marked the April 24 opening of the inaugural stand of Endy Bros.' Shows here. The show arrived from Miami quarters on 35 cars painted in alumi-num and blue, and from front to rear it is flashy. Wagons are painted red with blue letters and 70 of them are now equipped with pneumatic tires. The remainder are to be so equipped during the tour. Proof that superin-tendent John Dempsey and trainmas-ter Art Riley put in a busy winter is ter Art Riley put in a busy winter is the new entrance carrying 2,500 feet of neon tubing. During the winter 11 wagons were built, three flat and two stateroom cars were added, and the Latin Quarter got a new front.

There was much picture snapping in evidence at the opening, and the many visitors included Guy and Mel Dodson. Betty and Bennie Fox, free attraction, did a bang-up advertising job in advance of the show's arrival by working tall buildings in the city.

A new attraction arriving here and to be ready for the next stand is Charles C. Whitmore's Animal Show from England. Sam Strauss, U. S. trainer, will work the animals. Two new rides are also scheduled for de-(See Endy Bows Well on page 88)

Gold Weather Hurts Kuntz Bros.' Biz in West New York

NEW YORK, May 1.—Kuntz Bros.' Shows, of Leonia, N. J., winds up a 19-day stand in Memorial Park, West New York, N. J., tomorrow night. Spot is just across the Hudson from midtown Manhattan and in a heavily populated area. Chilly weather, however, held attendance down.

Shows have seven rides, including a Ferris Wheel, Spitfire, Octopus and Chairplanes. A pony ride and about 30 concessions round out the midway. Gooding Ups Mark COLUMBUS, O., May 1.—The Gooding Amusement Company has added another notch to its record for holding the midway contract at the Ohio State Fair. Signing of the 1948 contract, an-E. Gooding's org the ride con-tract for the 29th time. Doubly impressive is the fact that Good-ing, in playing the fair this year, will be fulfilling the contract for the 29th time in the last **30** years of the fair's operation.

Chester Big For Strates

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CHESTER, Pa., May 1.—Ideal weather here for the first time in eight consecutive annual showings resulted in a banner date for the James E. Strates Shows. As a result grosses were well above those of previous years, with notable in-creases being registered on the pay gates. Sizable crowds turned out nightly thru the April 24 closing. A kiddie matinee on closing day was patronized by both youngsters and (See Strates Uses Pix on page 86) (See Strates Uses Pix on page 86)

Wash. Date Good For Jones Expo; Week-End Big

WASHINGTON, May 1. — Thru Thursday (29) Johnny J. Jones Ex-position, spotted at Oklahoma and Benning Road here, had racked up better than satisfactory business de-spite a chilly opening night and a dent in patronage two days, Tuesday and Wednesday, due to the weather. The 11-day engagement, which closes tonight, should end on a high night. tonight, should end on a high night, week-end patronage looming big in the light of the heavy play the first week-end.

Good grosses were racked up four straight days following the chilly first night. Saturday and Sunday play was outstanding, with those nights netting large turnouts.

Much new equipment was unfolded at this engagement. Up for the first time were a new Rocket, Tilt-a-Whirl, Octopus, Spitfire and two new kiddie rides, a Merry-Go-Round and an auto ride. The Minstrel Show also flashed a new front. From here the show goes to Al-toona, Pa.

Shorty Lowe Injured

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., May 1. — Pinned beneath his truck near here April 18 when the jack slipped, Shorty Lowe sustained several frac-Shorty Lowe sustained several frac-tured ribs and a fractured finger. Aided by passengers in a passing car, his wife, Katie Lowe, succeeded in pulling him from under the truck. The Lowes were en route to Wash-ington, Ind., to join the Hoosier State Shows Shows.

TWO MORE MAJORS HIT ROAD Imperial Org **Flashes Power** In St. Louis

Ride, Show Line-Up Strong

ST. LOUIS, May 1.—The Imperial Exposition, the former Wonder Shows of America, purchased last winter from Max Goodman by Martin Ar-thur, J. C. McCaffery and Herbert Bye, made its debut under Arthur here Thursday, April 29, under a blaze of lights that accented the vast changes made during the winter. Spotted at Spring and Chouteau, a location never before used by a

a location never before used by a railroad show, the Imperial Exposi-tion had an auspicious opening. The turnout was estimated at 7.000, rated as excellent for a Thursday night

Brilliant lighting stamps the ex-Goodman org. A battery of flood lights, posted on both sides of the midway, supplements the light towers, which had been part of the Goodman equipment. The ride lights

midway, supplements the right into the works, which had been part of the Goodman equipment. The side lights, presented in clusters of fours and equipped with reflectors, throw the light into the show fronts and give the midway an unusually bright, colorful appearance. Ride line-up is stronger than last year and includes a Merry-Go-Round, twin Ferris Wheels, Rollo-plane, Octopus, Fly-o-Plane, Scooter, Heydey, Caterpillar and Moon Rocket and five kiddie rides, which are attractively set up in a kiddieland area. Small fry rides are a Roller Coaster, streamlined train, auto, boat and airplane ride. The last three are in the center of rings formed by the lay-out of the Coaster and the miniature train.

out of the Coaster and the miniature train. Show line-up also is stronger than in '47, and the fronts pack more appeal. Shows include Pago Pago Samoan Revue, Florida Snake Farm, Fountain of Youth, Posing Show, Scandals, Girl Show, Wildlife Show; Lecourd Duncan's Harley Suring Re-Leonard Duncan's Harlem Swing Re-vue, side show; Grandpa Gabe's Hay-loft, hillbilly unit; Glass House, Fun-house, Motordrome and War Show.

Buck Registers Record Opener

In Troy, N. Y., May 1.—Balmy weather the first week-end of O. C. Buck Shows' 10-day preem, which ends here tonight resulted in one of the best opening dates the org has ever had. Cold weather the first part of the week hurt the take some-what, but not enough to take the edge off. off.

Considerable revenue was unavoid-ably lost thru lack of space. 'The small lot made it impossible to erect the org's new flash feature, the main the org's new flash feature, the main entrance with revolving light towers, the Posing and Monkey shows and the new Hi-Ball ride. However, the new Tilt-a-Whirl was in operation and earned a good gross. New light plants, mounted on special trailers, had customers gawking. Units presented here included a Merry-Go-Round, two Ferris Wheels, Tilt-a-Whirl, Whip, Rolloplane, Fly-o-Plane, Looper, Caterpillar, Hi-Ball, Kiddie Auto, miniature train, Motor-drome, Side Show, Arcade, Funhouse, (See Buck Chalks Up on page 86)

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signed as publicity man of the W. G. Wade Shows.

George Geisler purchased a new Dodgem and plans to place it in the Detroit area this summer.

E. M. Brownie is convalescing in Ward 3, Veterans' Hospital, Fayetteville, Ark.

Midway cooking is of the generally high fairground quality and anyone that doesn't like it must remember that it provides a swell item to beef about.

Elaine Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Smith, recently celebrated her eighth birthday on Wolfe Amuse-ments and received many gifts.

Paul Montgomery recently returned from France, where he purchased a new wardrobe for Sandra Lee, reports Francis Dwyer.

Belle Evans reports that her nephew, Bill Cartmell, has joined her on Rupe's Midway. He will operate percentage for Eggs Melton.

Marie (Mom) Russell has returned to the Douglas Greater Shows. Walter (Wingy) Schafer has re-Water (Wingy) Schafer has re-

En route to Gadsden, Ala., with the Cavalcade of Amusements, Pinky Pepper stopped off to visit friends on the Royal Crown Shows, includ-ing the Bancroft Family, veteran side show operators.

Ben Wolfe, owner of Wolfe Amuse-ments, announces that he recently closed a deal for a modern tourist court between Hollywood, Fla., and Miami, on U. S. Highway No. 1, near Gulf Stream Park.

Proof that midway business is getting back to normal is attested to by the turning away of men asking for jobs.

Cecil (Bumps) Latham, billed as the Frog Boy, highlights the Oddities in Dick Best's Side Show on Caval-cade of Amusements. Mrs. Reva Latham is the nurse in Louis-Louise attraction.

[•]Mrs. Al Campbell held open house for the personnel of the Twin City Shows at Ava, Mo., April 19 in honor of her birthday. Mrs. George Crabb

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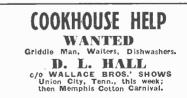




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IOHNNY Week of July 4 under auspices of the Disabled American Veterans' Vocational College. Shown following the contract signing are, left to right, Foster E. Day; C. C. Leasure, Denton general agent; William R. Vice, commander of the D.A.V., and Richard P. Painter, adjutant and treasurer of the D.A.V.

are joining the Magic Empire Shows at Winona, Miss. Myrtle was hos-pitalized most of the winter in her home town of Fargo, N. D.

Tommie and Etta Henderson and daughters, Hedda and Juanita, and Mildred Justice, with her son, Jo Jo, took a boat trip from Norfolk to Baltimore, en route to New York.

A showman's financial standing isn't measured by the amounts he mentions in his jackpots.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zugg, owners of the park at Branson, Mo., visited their friends, Jewell and Odis Cannon and Jack and Virginia Barnes, at Ava, Mo., during the Twin City Shows engagement there.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Schuct report good business with their clothes pin game on the Rupe Midway. Butch, their son, is recovering from a dive into an empty swimming pool.

Jack and Myrtle Beard advise they was hostess at the same time in honor re joining the Magic Empire Shows of Jimmie Stein's birthday. Both received gifts.

> Louis Bright recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Long, who are con-nected with Playland Park, between Petersburg and Richmond, Va. He also visited with Pete Thompson at Petersburg during the recent opening of Cetlin & Wilson Shows there.

Foes of pleasant living are the John Barleycorns who can do without the stuff until two hours before teardown time.

When the Matthew J. Riley Shows played the Kensington Avenue lot in Philadelphia, William Hagelman, concessionaire, had Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lehr and Mr. and Mrs. O. Behl, of Philadelphia, as his guests on the lot.

Joseph Lehr advises from Phila-delphia that William Hagelman joined the Matthew J. Riley Shows with four concessions for the org's Philly bow, but that George (Curly) Ingram came on with a grab stand

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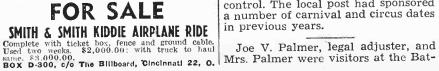
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stands and French fries as was recently reported. George's brother, Frank (Peg) Ingram, also joined with one concession. Lehr adds that the Riley org has 8 rides and 25 concessions.

Bobby Burns, who joined the C. A. Stephens Shows in Douglasville, Ga., March 30, reports that business has been good. Attractions include Miss Electric, electric chair; Miss Dona, blade box; Edna, iron tongue, and Thelma, annex. Earl Smith han-dles the tickets dles the tickets.

Frank Zorda has opened his third season with the 18-act side show on the Mighty Page Show and reports business good. A bus transports the side show personnel. The Page org is carrying 9 rides, 8 shows and 60 concessions. Zorda also has an iron lung show on the midway.

Here it is the second month of the season and no one has caught an opposition showman in the act of propositioning his workingmen.

Duke Wilson, who has fronted such Duke Wilson, who has fronted such attractions as Dick Best's Freak Show, Leon Claxton's Hep Cats, Vic-tory Follies, Gangbusters and Charles A. Taylor's Little Harlem, has been contracted to handle the front of Sally Rand's Show on the Royal American Shows midway this season.

Sam Sobel has secured a concession from the Detroit city council to install a Merry-Go-Round for the first time River Rouge Park, largest cityowned recreation area. Concession will be operated on a percentage basis, with 30 per cent going to the city.

Big Al, rock python owned for over 17 years by Helen Golden, of Crystal Exposition Shows, recently surprised showfolk by laying some 40 eggs. The show personnel is jumping with cx-citement over the event wondering what happens next.

Guys we like: The showman who never gets around to buying a new record to replace the cracked one on his loudspeaker turntable.

Fitzie Brown, who has his string of concessions booked on the H. B. Rosen Amusements, has purchased a Flying Amusements, has purchased a Flying Scooter and a Silver Streak ride from Oscar Bloom, owner of the Gold Medal Shows. He also purchased motor equipment from Bloom to transport the rides.

L. H. (Doc) Firestone and Howard M. Oviatt, of the Genessee Amuse-ment Company of Flint, Mich., have had rides on the Cavalcade of Amuse-had rides on the Cavalcade of Amusements and other shows the last three years, signed to place a Dark Ride and a Glass House on the Happyland Shows during that org's run at Port Huron, Mich.

A good legal adjuster is one who always is trying to make concessionaires happy, knowing full well that he won't make a living unless he succeeds.

W. A. Davis writes from Chanute, Kan., that he opened with the Cherokee Amusement Company at Chanute. He reports a visit from Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ivy, Wichita, Kan., formerly of the World of Today and International shows. The Ivys are off the road this year and are operating a trailer camp in Wichita.

Charles M. Holm, advertising agent of the Pickett Post No. 21, American the proceed post No. 21, American Legion, Jonesboro, Ark., advises that the showgrounds there, known as Cole's Showgrounds, now are inside the city limits and the licenses to play the spot are way beyond the Legion's control. The local post had sponsored a number of carnival and circus dates a number of carnival and circus dates in previous years.

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DECORATION DAY, JAMESTOWN, N. Y. — JULY FOURTH, OSWEGO, N. Y. Want now for Clearfield and Du Bois, Penna. RIDES—Kiddie Auto and Train Ride. Very liberal percentage. SIDE SHOW HELP— Al Renton wants Half-and-Half. Johnny Reddick wants Talker for MINSTREL SHOW, also Musicians, Comedians and Chorus Girls. CONCESSIONS—Frozen Custard, Arcade. Short Range Lead Gallery, Guess Your Age and Weight, Duck Pond, Fish Pond. Novellies and Lawelry. Pond, Novelties and Jewelry.

WANT HIGH ACT FOR SEASON - ALSO STILT WALKING CLOWN

RIDE HELP-Foreman for ROLL-O-PLANE and SECOND Men on all RIDES. **RIDE OWNERS AND ATTRACTION MEN** We will augment this Show at the FOLLOWING FAIRS: Charleston, W. Va.; Winston-Salem, N. C. (Colored Fair); and Union, S. C. We also have seven other good Fairs starting August 23rd and for balance of season. We are booking now for these dates. Write us what you have.

CLEARFIELD, PA., this week; then DU BOIS

BISTANY & MARTIN SHOWS

WANT

for Firemen's Spring Celebration, Kenilworth, N. J., opening May 5th, 10 days; other Big Celebrations to Follow.

 CAN USE—One or two Major Rides, such as Octopus and Tilt; also Kiddie Rides.
 SHOWS—Want up-to-date Girl Show, also any Show with own outfit, and legitimate Concessions of all kind, especially Bingo, Cook House, Mitt Camp, Scales and Ball Games, Fish Pond. Cecil Purvis and Jack Chiula, wire. CAN USE-Ride Help. Write or wire:

LEO BISTANY SHERATON HOTEL, NEWARK, N. J.

ATTENTION

JACK MARTIN BAYONNE, N. J.

ATTENTION

OMIE CARVER Now Connected With

ATTENTION

FITZIE BROWN, OF H. B. ROSEN SHOWS

Carver will have charge of Corn Game. Want to thank all G Top Managers, especially Mr. Babe Emsweller, of D. A. Vernon Shows.

FOR SALE **ONE 7 CAR TILT-A-WHIRL** \$5500.00 Cash

GID L. FALLON

American Legion Festival, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, May 6-15

CAN PLACE FOR SEARCY STRAWBERRY CARNIVAL Searcy, Ark., May 10 Thru 15

SPONSORED BY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Place Roll-o-Plane, Tilt or Octopus; low percentage. Grab, Floss, Diggers, Pitch-Till-U-Win, Basket Ball, Ball Games, or any Legitimate Stock Concession; low privilege. Will book any clean Show with own except Snake, 20%. A small Show playing a good route in Illinois, Missouri, Arkansas and Louisiana. No racket. Free gate. All reply:

J. L. (JIMMIE) HENSON SHOWS BENTON, ARK., this week; SEARCY, next.

BARKER & ERNIE'S MIDWAY ATTRACTIONS Opening May 8 at Blasdell, N. Y.

BONA FIDE CELEBRATIONS, CONVENTIONS AND FAIRS BOOKED

Will book Flat Rides not conflicting, also more Concessions. Get with it now and get well im-mediately. Reasonable privilege. Committees: A couple of dates open. They must be good and have the backing of the community as a whole. Featuring 5 Rides. 2 Shows, Fischer & Graham Trio, Fireworks, and only Legitimate, clean Concessions. Committees operate their own stands. Contact: Gerald Barker, P. O. Box 405. Sinclairville, New York, or Gerard Ernewein, 18 East Lake Ave., Blasdell, New York

SMITH AMUSEMENT CO.

WANTS

CONCESSIONS—Bingo, Slum. Agents for Skillo, Roll Down. Man to take charge Clothes Pin. SHOWS—All kind. Man and wife to take charge Girl Show. RIDE HELP—Foreman for Merry-Go-Round, Second Men for Tilt, Mechanic; Butch, who was here last year, come on.

PLAYING LOTS IN HOUSTON, TEXAS, UNTIL JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION.

The Billboard

tle of Flowers, played by the Alamo Exposition Shows recently in San Antonio. The Palmers served a dinner, featuring Southern cooking, for Joe and Ethel Rosen, Jackie and Bill French, Emo Williams and Emma Carr, in their 1948 Pan-American house trailer.

When a carnival played a hamlet that when a carnival played a namlet that boasted of only one store, a cotton gin and 40 homes, it's press agent wrote: "Business was big for this-size town."

Hugh G. (Slim) Coffey has joined Peerless Celebration Amusements as auditor.

Carl J. Sedlmayr, owner-operator of the Royal American Shows, is itemed in the Freling Foster column in the current issue of *Collier's*.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Narcassio have their niece, Ann Louise Eddy, of New York, visiting with them on O. C. Buck Shows.

Helen Barfield is in Mayo's Worrall Hospital, Rochester, Minn., recover-ing from two spinal operations. She has been in the hospital since March 30.

King of the Carnival, Warner Bros. short subject depicting Carl J. Sedl-mayr and his Royal American Shows, is being screened at newsreel theaters thruout New York.

Lou and Peggy Hall have joined Vivona Bros.' Shows with scale, age, Coca-Cola and nickel glass pitch. Frankie Ryan, with root beer barrel, also is on the midway. Margaret is handling mail and is The Billboard sales agent. sales agent.

Pete and Alice Burns, with Jack Rogers's Side Show on Caravella Amusements, closed at Reidsville, N. C., and returned to Washington, where Pete entered the Mount Alto Hospital. He had a severe heart at-tack and will be there six weeks. He is in Ward G, Room 210.

Gerald Barker, former owner of Sunburst Shows, and Gerard Erne-wein, of Ernie's Midway Attractions, have set the season's bow for May 8. They have added Ray Fotch with his four concessions and a new kiddie train ride. Earl Webber will have two shows, and Harry Brown, formerly of Brown & Engel Shows, bingo.

Recent visitors of James Heron's Wild Life and Animal Oddities Show in Pulaski, Tenn., included Mr. and Mrs. Carl Thompson, owners of Dolly, the two-headed cow; Mr. and Mrs. William Prevost, wild life pioneers, and Albert Powell and family, circus performers. The Powell Troupe is playing schools, following two years with truck circuses. with truck circuses.



FOUR GENERATIONS of Pooles in the carnival business. Left to right: Great-Grandfather Robert G. Poole; Grandfather Forrest O. Poole; Forrest J. Poole, the daddy, and the youngster, Forrest W. Poole. The grandparents and the great-grandfather are with the Wallace Bros.' Shows this season. The parents are with the J. J. Denton Shows.

Any Adult and Kiddie Rides (non-con-flicting). Concessions: Ball Games, Pop-corn and Novelties-FOR SUMMER RESORT **Playland Amusements** CHARLES RUBENSTEIN 239 W. 125th St., New York City, N. Y. 79 POINT COMPANY Northern Exposition Show WANTS ean Cook House, about 20x30, for Grab. Want good, sober, reliable Titt and Ride Heip tor Sother Rides. Good e on; no wires or phone calls. reman 11, con Winter Quarters now open. SHOW OPENS HERE MAY 14TH. more Slum and Stock Concessi ng with what we already have. MIKE SMITH WORTHING, S. D. sions use few more ; conflicting with WANTED RIDE HELP RIDE WANTED FOR FLY-O-PLANE AND NEW PRETZEL RIDE, INSIDE MAN FOR GLASS HOUSE, DON'T WRITE OR WIRE, COME ON, SHOW OPENS HERE APRIL 24TH, If you drink, can't use you. **CHAS. T. GOSS** Hennies Bros.' Shows, Little Rock, Ark., this week; East St. Louis, III., May 10-15. a free at the second second **KIDDIE RIDES**

WANTED In new Amusement Center, 100% Board-walk location. Excellent percentage lease. FUNCADE AMUSEMENT CORPORATION 2427-35 BOARDWALK ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY



BINGO CALLER AND MANAGER COOD PROPOSITION. Reply: A. R. WHITESIDE

Care of JACK PERRY SHOWS KANNAPOLIS, N. C., this week.

GEORGE HARMS OF CETLIN & WILSON SHOWS WANTS AGENTS

One Count Store, one Peek Store, Bear Hoop-La, one Percentage Counter Agent, prefer-ably woman. Also General Help in all de-partments. Wire or phone: DANVILLE, VA., now.

WANTED **Experienced Fun House Operator** Join on wire. (Little Red, contact.) Peppers All States Shows GREENWOOD, S. C., this week. FOR SALE ONE ALL ELECTRIC CANDY FLOSS MACHINE Brand new, ball bearing; must sell at on**če.** First \$135.00 takes it. Perfect. Wire, don't write: First +. Perfect. Wire, autor OWNER Pueblo,

125 S. Union, Pueblo, Colorado

Best Wishes To FRANK R. WINKLEY All-American Thrill Drivers HOWARD W. SUESZ Clyde Bros.' Circus For 1 Year's Solid Work. E. J. FLOYD

May 8, 1948

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WANT TO BUY

RIDES

MERRY-GO-ROUND-2 Abreast

OCTOPUS

#5 FERRIS WHEEL TILT-A-WHIRL

And other Rides that are in good con-dition. Also Kiddie Rides. NO JUNK.

WILL PLACE

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STEBLAR GREATER SHOWS WANT

Duck Pond, Pitch-Till-You-Win, Balloon Darts, Shooting Gallery. Second Man for Ferris Wheel. Griddle Man. Shows-Snake Show, Monkey Show, Girl Show with own outfits. Henry Palleson, let me hear from you. All mail:

ST. PAUL, VA., MAY 3 TO 8.

ROY ALLEN WANTS

Men to take care Grind Stores and Wheels, also Outside Men for same. Long season, good pay and treatment. Want 3 Capable Roll Down Agents. Address:

ROY ALLEN c/o J. J. KIRKWOOD SHOWS Binghamton, N. Y., this week; then per route in Billboard.

ROYAL UNITED SHOWS

Want Agents for Razzle Dazzle and Clothes Can use two more Slum Store Pin Stores. Agents. All people connected with this or-ganization report to Winter Quarters at Sioux Falls, S. D., on May 10 for our opening date in Sioux Falls May 12. Wire

JOHN DORLAND Sioux Falls, S. D. 1615 S. 5th Ave.

W. E. ATTRACTIONS

Can place Slum Concessions of all kinds, privilege, \$15.00; Grab, \$20.00. Agents wanted for office owned Concessions: Ball Game, P.C. and Stock Stores. Man for Photo. Ride Help that can drive. Shows with own outfits, welcome. Jasper, Ga., this week; Adairsville to follow.

W. E. WEST, Owner

SAM WEINTROUB

WANTS

Bingo Manager or Caller and Counter Men. Also Crind Store Agents for heart-shaped Hoop-La. One man for Pan Game. Jack Lydick, get in touch with me at once. Drunks, stay where you are. SAM WEINTROUB. Care of B & HAmusement Co., Liberty, S. C. P.S.: Alabama, come on.

MIDWAY SHOWS

ROCCO & SON OPENING MAY STH. Ramesy Playgrounds, St. Paul, Minn. Can use Grab Bag, Jewelry, Noreltics, Clothes Fins, Bumper, and other Legitimate Concessions. Want Men on all Rides, Second Man ou Tit, First on Wheel. Want Manager and Help for office owned Shows. Long season, best salaries. Call or contact ROCCO SHOWS, Como Sta, R. 5, St. Paul Minn, Tel.: Nestor 9870.

WANTED

Nice Photo Gallery, Cigarette Shooting Gallery, Bal-Joon Dart, String Game, Jewelry, Hoop-La, Bowling Alley, Watch-La. Want man to operate new Pretzel Ride.

MOUND CITY SHOWS 1417 Grattan St., St. Louis 4, Mo.

WANT

WAINT Dog or Monkey Act, put on 25-minute Act. Three or four weeks work. Want clean Banner Man, As-sistant Mechanic. State lowest. Show opens May 10, Valdosta, Ga.: Quitman, 11: Thomasville, 12; Cairo, 13; Moultrie, 14; Ashburn, 15. VM. KETROW RENFRO VALLEY FOLKS General Delivery, Valdosta, Ga.

Cold, Rain Hamper Lawrence Greater At 4 Early Stands

CUMBERLAND, Md., May 1.-An almost continuous combination of cold and rainy weather has resulted in poor business at each of the first four dates played by the Lawrence Greater Shows. The fifth week, which winds up here tonight in the community ball park, has also been affected by a full measure of inclement weather. This date can still be fair, depending upon today's weather and take.

Other bad breaks for the org in-cluded the explosion of a searchlight which destroyed the truck used to haul it and badly damaged a passen-ger car parked near by. The show's Diesels were several weeks late in arriving because of the coal strike.

Staff includes Sam and Shirley Levy, owners-operators; Herb Shive, general representative; John F. Mc-Devitt, secretary-treasurer; Del Yanbevitt, secretary-treaster, Der Tan-son, special agent; Tommy Carson, business manager; Tom Evans, lot superintendent; Ben Cheek, ride su-perintendent; Cecil Shipman, Diesel engineer; Horace Repass, transporta-tion superintendent, and Louis Gueth, The Bilboard and mail agent. The Billboard and mail agent.

20-Cent Pay Gate

The org is moving on 33 trucks, carrying 11 rides and operating behind a 20-cent gate. The show's early jumps were made purposely long in an effort to get away from competi-tion and into new territory.

Trailerites include John F. and Kay McDevitt, Tommy and Rhea Carson; Tom and Dorothy Evans; Morris and Hattie Myers; Cliff and Betty Osteen; Jake and Kate King; Ben Cheek and daughters, Edna and Benay; John and Glendora Daniels: Al and Winnie Ed-wards; Erwin and Helen Eule; Casy and Berth Sens; Ivan and Anna Mil-ler; Al and Mom Renton and the twins, Francis and Fay.

Concessionaires back with the shows include Hiram Beale, Jack Stern, Jew Murphy and Harry Kemp. Anson Ackley is operating the dig-gers. Casy Sens has the corn game, Funhouse and Spitfire.

Recent visitors include George and Ann Whitehead, W. C. Kaus Shows; Rocco Masucci, owner-operator, Virginia Greater Shows; Sol Nugent, Joe Ennis and Allan Travers, general rep-resentative, Prell's Broadway Shows.

Wm. T. Collins Bows In May 17

ALEXANDRIA, Minn., May 1.-Plans are nearing completion at win-ter quarters here for the opening of the William T. Collins Shows, which will go out under the title of the State Fair Shows.

Three semi-trailers are being re-built, two truck bodies have been overhauled, and the new anti-aircraft overhauled, and the new anti-aircraft searchlights have been mounted on a 30-foot trailer. The electrical wagon has been reinforced by a 75-k.v.a. transformer and the Glass House, a recent purchase from Norman Smith, Little Rock, is getting a new coat of paint

paint. New tops have arrived for the Merry-Go-Round and the Motor-drome, with three other tops slated to arrive before the shows' debut.

Harley (Father) Evert is in charge of quarters.

Klein Makes 1948 Debut

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., May 1.— Klein Amusement Company opened its season at Stoney Point near Watertown, S. D., April 18. First major engagement is at the Tulip Festival, Orange City, Ia., May 21-22.



Grundy, Va., This Week; Beckley, W. Va., Week May 10

WANT Shows with own outfits, 25 per cent. We have Drome, Minstrel and Fun. Will place few Slum Stores. No racket; no gypsies. Geo. Kelley wants Slum Store Agents. Smith, Sears, Bob Arthur, come on. Want Trombone and Tuba for Jim Show. One more Free Act join on wire. All Address:

SHAN BROS.' SHOWS, Grundy, Va.



WANT QUICK

Foreman for brand new 1948 Parker Merry Go Round; must be sober and capable. Ralph Miller wants Agents for best flashed and framed Hanky Panks in the business. John Duggan can place Skillo. Swinger and Count Store Agents. No drunks or bad habits. (Debbs, Pat Patterson, Brownie Yeakle, Big Jack, wire.) Chas. Scott needs Agents. Gary Hern can use one Strong Freak. Jo Ann can use good Front Man, make Opening and Grind on Feature Half and Half.

ALL WIRE:

LARRY NOLAN

Holly, Colo., May 3-4-5; Syracuse, Kan., May 6-7-8.

Note-THIS IS THE FASTEST MOVING, HARDEST HITTING, MONEY GETTING SHOW IN THE BUSINESS FOR SOBER, WORKING CARNIVAL PEOPLE. But no place for slap-happy rum dums. I patch and handle my own lot and this year it comes to the office.



WANT

CONCESSIONS—Novelties, Scales, Age and Weight, Palmistry, Ball Games. Will book any Ten-Cent Grind Stores. WANT SOUND TRUCK. GENERAL AGENT, come on. SHOWS—Have complete outfits for Girl Shows. Want reliable Man for Fun House. Will book any Shows not conflicting. HELP—Ferris Wheel and Chairplane Foreman, Semi Drivers given preference. Contact: FORM GATTO, Mgr.

ST. CLAIR, PA.



WANT TO BOOK RIDES

Train, Octopus. SHOWS—Manager and Operator for Girl Shows, Have nice Front and Top for Side Show. What can you put in it? Sonny Bullard wants Help for Athletic Show. Bronze Revue wants Musicians, Chorus Girls, Comedians. Want reliable people. Salary, rain or shine. Write or wire TINEY MARSHALL or JINIMY SANE. Want man to make Openings and handle Front of Minstrel Show. Man to operate and handle Sound Car. Will book Wild Life, any Grind Show, Motor Drome. CONCESSIONS—Will book Scales, Age, Norelties, Shum Store, Hasket Pall. Can use for Cook House. Celebration and Fair Committees, have few open dates. BROWNFIELD, TEXAS, MAY 3 TO 5; then watch route.

WANT

Experienced Agent for Pop Corn and Apples, Agent for two Ball Games. Fran and Bruce, come on. Pan Game Dealer. All must be capable and join immediately. Wire: Good proposition.

MRS. HARRY KAHN NEW ENGLAND AMUSEMENT CO.

ATHOL, MASS., NOW; AMHERST, MASS., MAY 10-15.

L. O. WEAVER SHOWS Will book or buy Octopus. Want Shows: #1 Girl Show opening. Want Second Help on all Rides.

OPEN NEWTON, IOWA, MAY 14-8 DAYS Only 3 Still Spots, then all Celebrations and Events. Write:

L. O. WEAVER, Fairbank, Iowa

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Earn 900% Profit with the Polar Pete Show cone Machine

HERE'S HOW A DIME WHLL GET YOU A DOLLAR!

The "Polar Pete" new, exclusive Snow Cone Machine is a sure-fire profit maker for you. Just take a look at these figures. Fifty pounds of ice and one gallon of syrup make about 175 five-ounce cup snow cones. Syrup costs about \$1.35 per gallon or 85c if you make your own. Ice is 25c. Cups-about \$3.00 per thousand. The 175 snow cones mean \$17.50 in sales. And your total material cost has been \$1.65. That's profit in any man's language! The season for Snow Cones is just beginning. Place your order NOW ... and make your location pay off with 900% profits!

SNOW CONES SELL!

Because everybody likes refreshing, cooling snow cones. A fluffy mound of snow flavored with syrup in a handy cone. And they sell FAST! One location reported \$600 worth of business in one day. Even cutting that in half, it's REAL PROFIT . . . when a dime will get you a dollar!

MULTIPLE PRODUCTS CORP.

3612 CEDAR SPRINGS, DALLAS 4, TEXAS, PHONE LAKESIDE 4147



CHECK THESE FEATURES

- NEW method of merchandising snow cones . . . revolutionary! EXCLUSIVE
- with Multiple Products Corp. No other machine like it! BEAUTIFUL CABINET
 will decorate even the finest location!
- RUSTLESS METALS Aluminum and stainless steel used throughout! • •
- REAL SNOW m the patented ice shaver . . . 250 lbs. per hour!
- SYRUP DISPENSERS two of plexiglas. No funnels needed to fill!
- ICE STORAGE 100 lbs.—two removable pans in bottom of cabinet!
- LEAK PROOF -- NO MESS because entire cabinet bottom is one piece!
- CASH DRAWER and a BIC one! In the back where it's handy.
- CUP STORAGE
- placed overhead . . . out of the way but convenient; fast!
- LOW OPERATING COST motor and one light globe-120 V. 60 cycle, A/C!
- COMPACT 30" wide, 20" deep, 60" high. It fits almost anywhere!
- PLEXIGLAS DISPLAY of snow and syrups . . . sanitary . . . spectacular!
- ILLUMINATED section of plexiglas in top . . . and light on display!
- COLORFUL decals . . . large, beautifully designed customer attraction!
 - SWITCHES conveniently located to right of operator on back panel!

\$395.00

F. O. B. DALLAS, TEXAS TERMS: 50% Cash with Order. Balance C. O. D. Delivery 30 days — Quantity Discount. DISTRIBUTORS: Write, wire or phone your orders NOW! First come, first served! Requirements are reasonable. Profit possibilities unlimited.

THE TRUTH AT

Not for sale nor will I book in park: The sorriest old dilapidated, antiquated, rundown, Long-Range Shooting Gallery in the world, Built on a weak, flabby, rotten semi-trailer, pulled at, by an old beat-up Chevrolet tractor, never serviced nor repainted. Living quarters too small; galley too heavy to pull. Less than $1\frac{1}{2}$ dozen old rusty, worn out rifles and pistols, never cleaned nor oiled. Not even $1\frac{1}{2}$ dozen cases of small, weak, cankered, corroded shells. Canvas and side walls you can throw a dog through. Not selling on account of bad health, sickness in the family nor other occupation, but just because it's not worth a Continental! Just let it sit here and finish rusting out. Don't even bother to contact.

	JOHN LYONS			
Box	1742		Huntington, W.	Va.
	DICK'S	Greater	Shows	

RIDES-Will book RIDE HELP --- Second Men ROCKET and all other ROLLOPLANE CONCESSIONS — Ball Games, rides. SIDE SHOW ACTS Photos, Hanky Panks NOTICE-CHARLES WREN, get in touch with Whitey Fulmer. IMPORTANT. R. E. GILSDORF, Manager

Lacey Park, Hatboro, Pa., this week,

ROGERS GREATER SHOWS

Want Wheel Foreman and Ride Help; must drive Trucks. Want Girls for Girl Show. Want 10-in-1, Mechanical Show, Fun House and other Shows, Want Hanky Panks. No grift. Want Roll-o-Plane and American Palmistry.

MT. CARMEL, ILLINOIS, this week; VANDALIA, ILLINOIS, next week.

JAS. M. RAFTERY'S SHOWS

Plymouth, N. C., May 12 to 17; Morehead City, May 19 to 24

CAN PLACE: Ball Games, Coke Bottles, American Palmistry, Mug Outfit, String Game, Watch-La, Pitch To Win, Balloon Darts, Bowling Alley, Penny Arcade, or any Legitimate Concession.

WANT: Ride Help at all times. WANT: Cook, Waiters and Counter Man for Cook House, Salary the best. Ted and Shirley Blank want Girls for Girl and Posing Shows. Talkers, Grinders, and Ticket Sellers; those having worked for us before, kindly get in

touch with us. FOR SALE: Pair Young Lions, very healthy: also Steel Cage. Can be transported on Truck or Trailer. First \$300.00 takes Lions and Cage. WILL BOOK one Flat or Track Ride.

This Week, Whiteville, N. C. ALL ADDRESS: JAS. M. RAFTERY

GULF COAST SHOWS WANT WANT

ONE OR TWO MAJOR RIDES, 25 PER CENT. STOCK CONCESSIONS AND BALL RACKS. WILL SELL EXCLUSIVE ON POPCORN AND CUSTARD. THIS SHOW HAS A COOD ROUTE. WIRE, DON'T WRITE: F. M. SUTTON SR., Mgr. Flat River, Mo., this week; Festus, next week.

ORANGE BLOSSOM SHOWS

Want Concessions—Small Cookhouse or Sit-Down Grab, Milk Bottles, Cat Rack, Duck Pond, Slum Spindle, Huckley Buck, Guess Your Age or Weight, Cigarette Shooting Gallery, Hoop-La, Novelties, P.C., Mitt Camp, or any Stock Store not conflicting. Shows-Any Grind Shows with own outfit.

Rides-Merry-Go-Round or Octopus, Johnny, "Dad" Pierce said come on,

Portland, Tenn., this week; Westmoreland, May 10 to 15; then the big Strawberry Festival, and then some of the best hillbilly towns in Kentucky. All replies to:

À. P. HINNANT or W. H. MYERS

CAN PLACE

HAWAILAN TROUPE

Must have at least ten people in troupe. PHOTO GALLERY OPEN

CAVALCADE OF AMUSEMENTS

Decatur, Alabama, this week; Evansville, Indiana, following week.

KEELER MODERNISTIC SHOWS WANT

Foremen for Ferris Wheel and Merry-Go-Round and other useful Ride Men. Can place a few more Slum Stores that don't conflict. Barney Abel can place a few capable Agents for Slum, Fish Pond, Penny Pitch. FARMERS' WAREHOUSE #1

Fayetteville, N. C.

WALLACE UNITED SHOWS

ase or book Rides that don't conflict: Train, ny, Caterpillar, Tilt open. Mike, wire. Open Side, Girl, Suake, Wild Life, Fun House. Shows th own outlits, wire; A-No. I route to offer, necessions, all kinds open. Sell exclusive on ngo, Scales, Penny Arcade, Digacrs, American Imistry, Photo: also Merchandise Wheels. diress: Smithville, Tenn., Celebration, this ek; Lafayette, Tenn., Leglon Home Coming lowing. week; Lafayette, 1999, 2009, 2

WANTED

For Hurst, Illinois, May 10-15 and balance of season, Stock Stores, Hi Striker, Grab Outfit, Basketball, Agent for Penny Pitch, Help on kid ride

PLAYTIME SHOWS Dubois, Ill., May 3rd to 8th



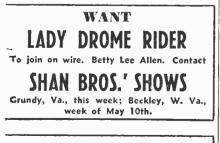
FOREMAN for Fly-o-Plane, Roll-o-plane DIESEL ELECTRICIAN who lives on lot Will pay higher salary if reliable

Lawrence Greater Shows Clearfield, Pa., this week; Du Bois next.

Rupe's Midway For Fun

Will book Mug Outfit, Cotton Candy, Sno Cone, Slum Spindle, Blower, Short Range Lead, Cork, Watch-La, any other legitimate Concessions not conflicting. Will book clean, flashy Mitt Camps; one Reader only.

W. R. RUPE, Mgr. Norton, Kan., this week.



OWING TO DISAPPOINTMENT Can place Bingo, Class Pitch, Balloon Dart, Photo, Guess Your Weight, Fish Pond, Have Photo Gallery for sale, cheap.

FROM THE LOTS

The Billboard

International

PONCA CITY, Okla., May 1.—Biz was slightly off the 1947 pace the first couple of weeks, but picked up during the local stand, which opened April 26 and closes today. Next stop is Junction City, Kan., opening Monday
(3), for a six-day stand.
Four new Dodge trucks were pur-

chased during the stay at Hope, Ark., quarters. Show's staff includes Coleman Lee,

owner and manager; S. W. F. Scott, secretary-treasurer; Nelson Lee, su-perintendent of rides and lots; Pappy Graham, advance agent; Mac Findley, electrician and mechanic, and Hank Farrar, carpenter. Concessionaires are Charlie Elder,

Concessionaires are Charlie Elder, bingo and five stands; Mac Findley, 6; Mr. and Mrs. Langston, 2; R. B. Wil-liams, 1; Joyce Lee, 1; Mr. and Mrs. Gabe King, 3; Clara Lee, 2; Helen Scott, 1; N. R. Wells, 1; Nelson Lee, 1; Mr. and Mrs. John Long, cook-house; Dorothy Fletcher, 1, and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Thompson,

Shows and operators include Mr. and Mrs. Bob Martin, two girl shows; Animal Show; Smoky Joe Evans, Minstrel; Suzanne Lewis, Monkey, and Don Lewis, Snake. Ray's Wild

and Don Lewis, Snake. Ray's Wild Animal Life will join soon. Ride operators are Elmer Watkins, Spitfire; Hank Farrar, Tilt-a-Whirl; Joe Eldridhe, Ferris Wheels; Roy El-lison, Merry-Go-Round; Russell Bakke, kid autos; Jack Lee, Kid Swings; Buster Fletcher, Mix-Up; Art Wheeler, ponies, and Ginger Jones, Rolloplane.—S. W. F. SCOTT.

John H. Marks

LEBANON, Pa., May 1.-Monday night's (26) opening here under ausnight's (26) opening here under aus-pices of Perseverance Fire Company on the new lot at 16th and Willow near the heart of town was one of the best this year. Business has been better so far this season than during the corresponding period of 1947. Newspapers and radio gave freely of space and time. Wednesday was news corrigonal to the season of the carrier night.

carrier night. Three weeks of good business were racked up in the Richmond, Va., area before coming here. Opening of the Richmond stand on the Broad Street location was above expectations, tho it was topcoat weather. Stations WMBG and WLEE co-operated with several remote pick-ups. Thru a tie-in with the Louis O Bowman Comseveral remote pick-ups. Thru a tie-in with the Louis O. Bowman Com-pany, Crosley Shelvador distributor, and dealers, the show grabbed excel-lent publicity. Dealers distributed 20,000 tickets thruout the city and at the opening of WTVR, television sta-tion. Ticket holders visiting the lot were permitted to cast votes, the local hospital receiving the most being hospital receiving the most being awarded a Shelvador which was displayed on the lot.

Dalley's Movieland Monkeys joined in Richmond. The Vanities did business, as did Slim Kelly's Freak Shows of the World's Fair. Buster Morgan is sporting a new trailer, and Johnny Rea_recently bought a new Vagabond.

Good business was done at the Newport News stand, altho weather was on the wet side, with rides, shows and concessions getting money.

Douglas Greater

LONGVIEW, Wash., May 1.-Show moved here from Everett, Wash., and Cudney Border State Show Dustin, Oklahoma, week May 3; Stratford, Oklahoma, week May 10. Stood Wax Head David Butler, Great Scientist. 15:00 Wax Head David Butler, Great Scientist. 15:00 Wax Head Queen Elizabeth, Glass case. 25:00 From Zvat Leomil. Leader Arabian Army mow fighting Palestine. Fine cond. Glass case. WEIL'S CURIOSITY SHOP 20 So. 2nd St. Philadelphia 6, Pa. Moved here from Everett, Wash., and opened to fair biz. Five new Dodge tractors have been added. Bud and Bobbie Douglas have added a snake and alligator show; Jack and Bob Wiard have a deep-sea diving show; E. M. Butler, two kiddie rides; Sam Goldstein and Larry Kirkwright, jewelry surprise bags; Brooks broth-ers, ice cream; Marsden (Ernie) Hulme, cookhouse; Wendell (Fergie) Ferguson, billposter.

World of Today

FORT SMITH, Ark., May 1. — Opening here under auspices of the Chamber of Commerce proved okay, with business thruout the week being good. Show made a flash with its allneon front gate and with flags of all nations as a decoration. Sponsors cooperated in every way. L. C. Reynolds and H. Wells had

the show well lighted from front to back. Org has added five new trac-tors to its motorized equipment.

Bill Starr's concessions had a big week here. Art Signor is helping in all departments. Ray Ayers has a good line-up on his American Cuties show, and the Monroe brothers are packing them in at their side show. Show's line-up follows:

Show's line-up follows: L. C. Reynolds and H. Wells, owners; Bill Starr, concession manager; Louis Ingelheim; billposter; Ellory Reynolds, general agent; Bill Rawlings, publicity; Art Signor, secretary-treasurer; Truscels Dader, stockman; Mrs. Dunlavey and Mrs. Schofield, front gate tick-ets; Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, cookhouse. Concessionaires: Leona Crowe and Mrs. Louis Steman, ball games; Mrs. Hewitt, four slum concessions; Johnnie Weutterick, Jack Litte-freld, blower; Van Heywood, alley; Louis Ste-man, skillos; Bill Crowe, rolldown; Jimmie By-bee, razzle dazzle; Walter Pearl, clothespin; J. Carlson, radio wheel; Art Siznor, candy floss; Mrs. Bill Starr, over and under; Mrs. Bob Harris, pea pool; Bob Harris and Iva Diss, pan Joint; Tom Wells, diggers; Mrs. H. Wells, mitt camp; M. E. Reynolds, popcorn; Tim Taylor, custard; Chief White Cloud, short range; Ivan Candlery and Bill Rawlings, long range. Rides: Duke Warner and Ivan Costo, kiddie

range; Ivan Candlery and Bill Rawlings, long range. Rides: Duke Warner and Ivan Costo, kiddie rides; Charleston Walters and Ken Walton, Merry-Go-Round; John Looney, Loop; Jay Bazell and Lytle Covey, Tilt-a-Whirl; Carl Agman and W. Rowatt, Octopus; Martin Felt-man and Roy Little, Rollopiane; Floyd Schenel and Frank Goodale, Wheels; Buck King, Spit-fire; Mac Tally, Ridee-O; Verman Hall, train. Shows: Side Show, Monroe brothers; Ameri-can Cutles, Ray Ayers; Minstrel, Pee-Wee Par-ker; Unborn, Ray Herbers and Madline Regan; Funhouse, Bob Bushue; Bubble Dance, Ray Ayers; Glass House, Johnnie Johnson; Snake Show, Bob Adams; Mickey Mouse, Jim Dun-lavey; Motordrome, Sweed Anderson.

Virginia Greater

SALISBURY, Md., May 1.—Shows rung up a week of satisfactory biz here April 24. Move from Suffolk, Va., was supervised by Bob Milligan. The VFW committee arranged for the display on the lot of the first tele-vision set occur in comparison in the vision set seen in operation in this vicinity.

Midget Leo Matina is manager of Minget Leo Matha is manager of the Funhouse and has his two trained ducks working bally. Alin Stewart joined the cookhouse as griddleman. Members of the Cambridge, Md., committee visited William C. Murray, general agent. Walter Walters, hobo

general agent. Walter Walters, hobo clown, closed here. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harrison had only returned from the funeral of Harry's brother-in-law when they re-ceived word of the death of his brother, James, whereupon they re-turned to Connecticut.

Oliver Jones, who had novelties and the penny pitch last year, announced he would join in Elkton, Md. Mrs. Jones and the children will join when school vacation begins. Dominic Au-gustino, whose father operates sev-eral shows, will assist in operating the Wild Animal Show. Cynthia Speight, Minstrel Show manager, was taken to a hospital for observation following several days' illness.

Page Bros.

DICKSON, Tenn., May 1.—Biz was good in week's stay here ended Sat-urday, April 24. Indications point to good stand in Humboldt, Tenn., (3-8), as strawberry crop thereabouts has

as strawberry crop thereabouts has been reported excellent. A pair of two-ton Chevrolet trac-tors were delivered at Springfield. Capt. Harrell is working three lions in a steel arena. A new-born monkey, christened Norw is footuned in the christened Nancy, is featured in the Monkey Circus.





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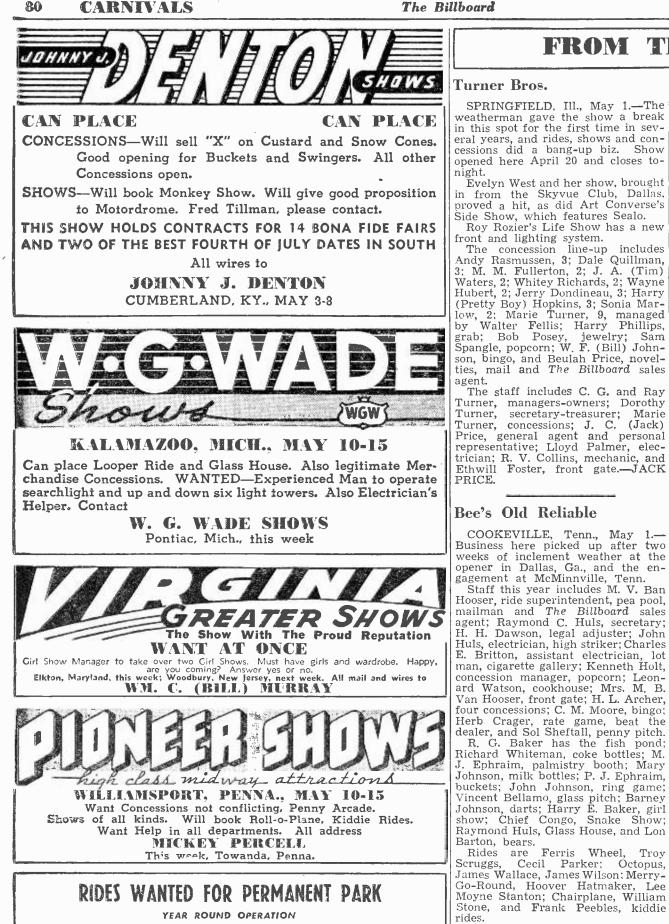
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FROM THE LOTS

Hill's Greater

LITTLEFIELD, Tex., May 1 .--Concessions had a big week here, despite strong winds and dust storms. Stand ended April 24.

Biz also was satisfactory in Lubbock. Tex., where the show played the previous week under auspices of the VFW.

Press, radio and hand bills have been used effectively in building up the org, with special kiddle matinees featuring reduced prices for all at-

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Hill gave a birthday party April 16 for H. P. Hill, with most of the show on hand to offer angurth and hert withday. with most of the show on hand to offer congrats and best wishes. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Case motored to their home in Stamford, Tex., where they received delivery on a new, M-System trailer. Mrs. Case's brother, Marvin Jordan, returned with them to join the show. Joe Williams had a successful week with his bingo game during the stand

with his bingo game during the stand here. Mr. McDoner joined the org with his girl revue. Eddie Clark was feted at a surprise birthday party. Among the gifts was a set of luggage.—BONNIE HALIFIELD.

Sunflower State

COLBY, Kan., May 1 .- The org set up for biz here following a successful six-day stand (April 19-24) in Goodland, Kan., where it was the feature of the annual Tractor and Implement Show.

Biz was steady thruout the week, with Wednesday and Thursday (21-22) crowds packing all shows and rides. Wednesday was Band and Children's Day, with eight bands taking part in the two-mile parade, follow-ing which the crowd jammed the midway until 11:30 p.m.

The stand was slated to end Friday, April 23, but high winds and cold forced cancellation of shows and rides that day.

Owner C. A. Goree renewed ac-quaintances with his friends in the vicinity.—FRANK GASKINS.

Mighty Hoosier State

WASHINGTON, Ind., May 1.-Ride Superintendent Kenny Ritchie and his crew got the show loaded at Vin-cennes, Ind., in good time and every-thing was in readiness early Monday (19) for the opening here, which drew a 3,000 paid gate.

The opening stand the previous week was good and W. R. Geren, week was good and W. R. Geren, owner, expressed satisfaction with the date. The weather cleared Wednes-day and the org enjoyed a big Satur-day afternoon and night. Hugo Zac-chini's cannon act proved an excel-lent free attraction, drawing considerable newspaper publicity and an interview over the local radio station. Mayor William Betz presented Geren with a key to the city and congratu-lated him on the cleanliness of the show.—M. G. STOKES.

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sions.

WAYNESBORO, Tenn., May 1 .-

Everything was ready to go here Monday (26) night despite an after-

noon shower, and business was fair-noon shower, and business was fair. The org opened this year with a new Allan Herschell Merry - Go-Round and Bill Portemont's new bingo built on a 33-foot semi. New planes have been added to the kiddle ourplane rido. Kopput Ettal is had

airplane ride. Kenny Etzle is back with his Rolloplane, and the show

now carries a 40-foot panel front featuring a free gate. Others who

have returned are Harry Williams, John White, E. Johnson and Lorard and Jack Thorner with their conces-

Executive personnel includes John Portemont Sr. and Jr., co-owners and managers; Kathleen Bush, secretary;

Jimmy Bush, booking agent; Bill Portemont, mail and *The Billboard* agent, and Lorard Thorner, electri-cian.—MARILYN PORTEMONT.

HOUSTON, May 1.—Business has been excellent in this area and the show will stay around the big pay rolls until the start of fairs and cele-brations June 19.

Recent arrivals were Mr. and Mrs. Fogle. cookhouse: Mr. and Mrs. Marks, bingo, and Eddie Fuller, who joined with snow cones but had to return to the hospital for treatment. Personnel recently sent him a bou-quet with wishes for a speedy recovery. Concessions and the six office-

owned rides are in tip-top shape. Manager Brewer is expecting early delivery of two new rides.—HELEN BREWER.

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MANSFIELD, **O.**, May 1.—Shows, wned and operated by Roxie Harris, owed here April 24, playing to a acked midway. The Ferris Wheel aced rides, with the Merry-Go-tound second. Press and radio publicity was ex-

Press and radio publicity was ex-ellent, and shows and concessions eported good biz. Concessionaires and attractions on

and for the opening were: Bob hism, cookhouse; Roy Nelson, hotos; Ralph Baughman, diggers and now contest; Ralph Wolfe, candy ap-les and floss; M. Nord, block pitch; les and floss; M. Nord, block pitch; 'reice, two ball games and cork gal-ery; Melnick, add 'em up and milk attle; Ace Ross, basketball, milk ottle and pan game; Bertha Kent, opcorn; Donald Jameson, pinball ame; J. Hillsheimer, swinger and hort range; Bill Wolcott, Pennyland, olor game, pea pool, long range and enny pitch; Bill Harris, beat the ealer; Nip Harris, hoop-la; Herb 'nglining, pitch til you win; Gordon filler, age and mitt; Warner, cork allery, novelties, weight and ciga-ette pitch; Jimmie Johnson, girl how, and Bing Saldek, bingo and shpond.—BILL HARRIS.

Jamo Exposition

ABILENE, Tex., May 1.—There vere new faces galore as the show loved here following a red one at ne Battle of Flowers in San Antonio. Additions to the org as it opened a dditions to the org as it opened a beek's stand here April 26 included 'opsy and Pat Brumlow, Roy and Ieil Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Larry .awrence.

All rides and shows topped last ear's gross during the San Antonio tay, with a record-breaking crowd nilling thru the streets to take part n what was labeled as the "largest treet carnival ever to visit the city." Weather has been fine all along, yith storm scheduled to hit San An-onio Saturday, April 24, holding off ntil 4 a.m. Sunday.

The Stealls's kid rides did a banner iz in S. A., as did the pan game. tabe Ulcar is out of the hospital and Joking swell. Joe Rosen purchased ticket to the police ball. Visitors acluded Mr. and Mrs. Denny Pugh, Jallas; Bill Ruback, and Tommy tephens, secretary of the Waco, 'ex., Fair.—SAMMY SAPSON.

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STRUTHERS, O., May 1.—The org pened at Youngstown, O., April 12, oing fair biz despite cold and rainy reather. Weather was good at truthers and takes were okay. Where Al Delfore bought another 5kw. power plant, show now hav-og three Corporation line-unic colrng three. Concession line-up: cook-iouse, Tom Hughes; cane rack and hooting gallery, Harry Lehew; slum pindle, Elmer Wilcox; coke bottles pindle, Elmer Wilcox; coke bottles and balloon dart, Millard Barrows; uckly buck, Earl Sells; balloon pitch, Jan Wilcox; ball game, J. P. Mc-Dowell; milk bottles, Harry Pope; nitt camp, Y. Nicolus; popcorn, Mickie Delfore, operated by Zip Her-hey and Catherine Barringer; high triker and photos, George A. Grant.

1. G. Steblar's Greater

-CHILHOWIE, Va., May 1.-Mr. nd Mrs. Hogan are settled in their new trailer, as are Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Steblar. Henry Johnson joined with his three-abreast Merry-Go-Rounds, ind S. Pease returned from a successul business trip thru West Virginia und Maryland and Pennsylvania.

Shows carry 4 rides, 5 shows and 0 concessions. Official staff in-80 concessions. Official staff in-ludes J. G. Steblar, owner-general nanager; S. Pease, assistant manager; Mrs. J. G. Steblar, treasurer; Harley Devine, secretary; Bill Cameran, lot superintendent; Ben Holliday, electrician, and Robert Crowford, ride su-perintendent-ACE EARGLE JR.

AUSTIN, Minn., May 1.—Shows opened here today for a week's en-gagement with 9 rides, 6 shows and 35 concessions. Henry Hingst has built a new Glass House and Penny Arcade. Emil Kedrowitz enlarged big miniature sawmill, and Joe his miniature sawmill, and Joe Lempke added another chimp to his Monkey Show.

The Johnson brothers and Paul Ap-The Johnson brothers and Paul Ap-pel have a number of new animals arriving for their 10-in-1 Show. E. R. Bussey has the *Gay Paree* and Girl Show. Paul Zerbes is here with bingo, as is L. G. Staley with diggers. Henry Hingst also has ice cream and candy floss layouts, while R. S. Reed has 3 stands; Mrs. Day, 6; Ralph Ekaust, 2; Leo Naegle, 3, and Tex Roberts, 11.

Mighty Hoosier State

WASHINGTON, Ind., May 1 .- The WASHINGTON, Ind., May 1.—The move here was made in good time and everything was ready early. Business started off with about 3,500 paid admissions, and despite cold weather business was good the entire week, with Saturday (24) topping expectations. Hugo Zacchini's can-non act continues to draw them thru the gate, and Owner W. R. Geren states that he is pleased with early returns. returns.

returns. Speedy Palmer and his Motor-drome and Johnny Colburn's Monkey Circus joined here. New Funhouse will be delivered soon. Weekly dis-tribution of 10,000 school children tickets with a bicycle giveaway is paying off.—M. G. STOKES.

American Beauty

MEXICO, Mo., May 1.—Shows opened at DeSoto, Mo., April 10 to fair biz. Fulton, Mo., stand included six nights and two matinees to fair biz despite rain and cold weather. Harold Eutah, concession manager, has 10 stores; John Lantz, 2; Hazel and Harlan (E. O. Harlan), 1 joint and cookhouse; W. C. Bell, Penny Arcade and shooting gallery; Val Ho-gan, hoop-la and ball game; Chief Ed Eagle, jewelry store; Clint Renn, ice cream; Mr. and Mrs. Atherton,

Ed Eagle, jewelry store; Clint Renn, ice cream; Mr. and Mrs. Atherton, candy floss; Katherine Sharp, bingo; Jack Robinson, What Is It? Show; Pete Leslie, Animal and Big Snake Show and 2 concessions; Dale Parrish, Girl Show; Walter Marco, photos and sound truck. Rides — Merry-Go-Round, Oshia Dopp; Ferris Wheel, Archie Norris; Spitfire, Evan Hall; Tilt-a-Whirl, Ward Cartee; kiddie ride, Bryan Rucker; pony ride, Dan Scott; elec-trician and The Billboard sales agent, Pete Leslie; kiddie train and new Chairplane, John and C. R. Master-son. son.

Joe Sharp states there are but four open weeks until October 24, the route including 12 fairs and 6 celebrations, starting July 14.—PETE LESLIE.

Georgia Amusement

CUMMING, Ga., May 1.—Shows, located on the fairgrounds, opened Monday night (26) to a good crowd, altho it was cold. Org has been on the road five weeks, biz being only fair the first three. First two spots, Dacula and Sugar Hill, were good. Steve Kubasek and family joined with two concessions; Ike and Inez Maxwell have two concessions; Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Aldrich have joined, with Aldrich dealing bea pool. while

and Mrs. Charlie Aldrich have joined, with Aldrich dealing pea pool, while his wife works a ball game; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hard, high striker; Goldie Leach, penny pitch, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Wheeler, heart pitch and over and under.—EDDIE CUR-TIN TIN.

Donnie Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Miller with the 20th Century Shows, had a birthday party in the cookhouse at Lawrence, Kan., and received many presents, as did Marie Brunk on her birthday at Manhattan, Kan.





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From the Lots

Jollytime

BERWICK, Pa., May 1. — Org opened here April 23, the home town of Wes Price, owner-manager. Six rides and 28 concessions were up. The Berwick Enterprise gave with good opening publicity. Visitors in-cluded R. Clayton Culp, burgess: Harry Peterson, chief of police, and Ray (Skeets) Lehr, sheriff of Colum-bia County. bia County.

Rides include a Catlett Ferris Wheel, owned by Eddie Van Pelt and Wheel, owned by Eddie Van Pelt and operated by Hank Shoreck, veteran wheel operator, with the assistance of Eddie's son, Dickie Van Pelt. Other ride men are H. S. Pifer, Chairplane: Richie O'Rourke, kiddie autos; Clar-ence Rook, pony cycle; George Pelle-grini, double Loop, and Charles Stachiet, Merry-Go-Round.

Concessionaires include Floyd Concessionaires in clude Floyd Sheaks, bingo, popcorn, duck pond, fishpond and four others; Irvin Faith (2); Toots Filbert, cookhouse; Naylor Harrison Jr., mitt camp, ball game and five others; Mrs. Mary Lou Early, bozo and darts; Helen Whitko, ball game and short-range gallery; Mrs. Irvin Faith, jewelry; Frankie Salem, novelties, and G. C. Mitchell and W. R. Price, one each. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sendel joined

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sendel joined here. Bob is the bingo caller. Rudy Caccia has been appointed The Bill-Caccia has been appointed The Bill-board sales agent and mailman. In addition he handles the sound car and checks the bingo. Mrs. Caccia is assisting Grace Sheaks with the pop-corn concession. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Michaels joined here with French fries. Custard is operated by an em-ployee of Clewells Dairt. Staff, in addition to Price, consists of G. C. (Mitch) Mitchell, general agent and business manager; H. S. Pifer, billposter; Irvin Faith, elec-trician; Clarence Rook, special agent, and Floyd Sheaks, lot man.

and Floyd Sheaks, lot man.

Johnny Bale

ST. LOUIS, May 1.—Unit has been doing good business on local lots since it opened four weeks ago at Cherokee and Illinois streets. Owner-General Manager Johnny Bale, who first broke into the business 44 years ago, when he played a jenny under vari-ous auspices in and about this city, new is covering the same area with now is covering the same area with three rides.

three rides. Al Nash is superintendent of rides, assisted by Bill Grissom. Kenneth Zimmerman is Ferris Wheel fore-man, with Jesse Dalton as second man. Charley Lambert and Ed Camp-bells handle the chair swing. John Donnelly and son, Doc, are operating four concessions. Ed Camp-bell has two which are operated by

bell has two, which are operated by Mrs. Lenora Gydnia and Ann Lam-bert. Edwin Shantz has his shortrange gallery and Johnny Gross has the novelties.

Florida Amusement

AUSTIN, Ind., May 1.—Shows were greeted by good business opening night here. Then cold weather set in. The Flying La Velles, free attrac-tion, are good crowd-holders. Mario Zacchini is due to join with his Tilt-a-Whirl and concessions. Mrs. Roy Bailey is visiting her folks in Kentucky. Mrs. Murphy returned from a hurried visit with her parents and again is operating the ball game. —IODINE BAILEY. -IODINE BAILEY.

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OHIO VALLEY SHOWS

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ROXIE HARRIS General Delivery, Kenton, Ohio, this week.



Hazel Park Opener Good for Lee Org **Despite Weather**

HAZEL PARK, Mich., May 1.-De-spite cool weather, Lee United Shows blayed to attendance reported far anead of last year's bow-in here and business was up accordingly. Gen-eral Manager Harry Taylor returned from Mississippi, where he purchased a searchlight for the midway.

Shows have a new office wagon and front gate, large spotlights, two new tractors and trailers and much new sanvas. Mr. and Mrs. Alton Dennis are awaiting delivery on a new house trailer.

trailer. Staff and personnel includes Charles Lee, owner; Harry Taylor, general manager; John (Buck) Bow-den, ride superintendent; Johnny Payne, searchlights; Allen Collins, mechanic; Glenn Preston, electrician, and Mrs. Charles Lee, office. Bill Porter's concessions have these grants; Scales, Frank Coheski, age

agents: Scales, Frank Gobeski; age, Russell (Bob) Pugh, and novelties, Glenn Sturgeon. Dave McKnight has kiddie autos; Turtle Joe Gobeski, Hobby Horse; bingo, Bob Braddock, caller, and Alice Porter and Esther schroenpel agents; photos Louise caller, and Alice Porter and Esther Schroeppel, agents; photos, Louise Preston, Minnie Eaton, agent; fish pond, R. V. Margodt, R. Remington, agent; ball game, Ginger Intricse; pitch, Jack Winters, Virginia Suart-put, agent; balloon darts, Pete Kin-mond; fish pond, Emma Delfin; long range gallery Tommy Deddles Balbh

mond; fish pond, Emma Delfin; long range gallery, Tommy Paddles, Ralph B en n et t, agent; stringer game, Frenchy Intricse; buckets, Harry Lewis, Charles Johnson, agent; ball game, Sunshine Lewis; pan game, Bob Lewis, Peggy Odber, agent; benny pitch, John Freeman, and punk rack, I. A. May, William Capperel, agent. Lela Nelson has three stores; Sheik IIennesee, darts; Juanita Hennesee, coke bottles; Mr. and Mrs. Alton Den-nis, hoop-la; Gabe Kent, blowers; Red Jewell, clothespin pitch; Lee Margodt, candy floss, and Grace and Jerry Haywood, popcorn. Penny Ar-cade agents are Earl Richey and Al-bert Walters. bert Walters.

Rides and operators are Merry-Go-Round, Mr. and Mrs. Smith; Tilt-a-Whirl, Gene Crowley and Glenn Duckson; Spitfire, Whitey Smith and A. Collins; Rolloplane, Jack Weiner and Karl Hammond; Ferris Wheel, Fred Schroeppel and Robert Smith.

Ecker To Head Independent Midway at Chicago Fair

CHICAGO, May 1.—Bernay Ecker, at one time associated with various carnivals and more recently with Or-ville Cullerton in the promotion of sportsmen's shows, will have charge of arrangements for the independent midway at the first Cook County Fair here this summer.

The announcement was made by Cullerton, the fair's managing direc-tor. The Johnny J. Jones Exposition will supply all rides and shows and some concessions at the fair.

Rocco & Son's Midway

ST. PAUL, May 1.—Shows, owned and operated by Rocco and son, are set to open on Ramsey Playgrounds here May 8-16. Quarters work is completed. Two semi's have been converted into side shows, both mounted with lighting effects. Org will have a Funhouse. Outfit will carry 9 rides, 4 side shows and 30 concessions. concessions.

Brownie Amusement

PRAGUE, Okla., May 1.-The show had fair business here week of April 19. On Saturday it stormed at show time and the night was lost. No damage was done.

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-By Starr De Belle

Book Ends, Ga. May 1, 1948.

Dear Editor: We sincerely believe that this show Dear Editor: We sincerely believe that this show has the largest staff of all shows, with each of its members seeing that all agreements between the Ballyhoo Brothers and the independent show and ride operators are lived up to. All contracts are verbal, which calls for men with keen memories to give everyone a fair deal. Under verbal contract are 15 independent show operators and 20 independent ride owners. Adding the two numbers gives us 35 lot layout men without counting the guy who draws a salary for the job. According to the verbal contracts, if our memories serve, the 15 show operators each are entitled to the first-in on the right-hand side locations. We have so many first-inners that the word "first-in" means that the first in town grabs stakes and lays out his squatters rights. All our paid locater does is to lay out a horseshoe with lime and yell: "There it is. May the best man win." How-ever, he always locates the main en-trance at the back end of the lot and ever, he always locates the main en-trance at the back end of the lot and switches it to the front after every-one has picked his spot. That gives the midway room for concessions.

Again adding the 15 show operators and the 20 ride owners, we get a total of 35 press agents without adding the paid tub-thumper, who means nothing on this show, as all he does is take the pictures and copy to editors and sees that they run them. None of the operators will take passes.

of the operators will take passes. Once more, after adding the 15 show operators and 20 ride owners, we get a grand total of 35 general agents without counting General Agent Lem Trucklow, who is an ob-stinate character who doesn't listen to his 35 co-workers, who remember what towns they grossed heavily in in 1926. Now we're getting to the largest staff on the shows. The al-ready accounted for general agents are augmented by 100 concession owners and agents; 75 sticks and their wives; 32 ball game queens and their dogs; 120 cooks, waiters, custard dippers, griddle men, popcorn pop-pers, ride hands, canvasmen, chorus girls, gludie men, popcorn pop-pers, ride hands, canvasmen, chorus girls, polers, chaulkers, tractor driv-ers and Sam, who gets no salary for keeping the rest rooms clean. Each of those mentioned is a walking, talk-ing hurony of advance heading, talking bureau of advance booking in-formation. They know the open and

Poor Weather Hurts Happyland '48 Debut At Dearborn, Mich.

DEARBORN, Mich., May 1.-Hap-DEARBORN, Mich., May 1.—Hap-pyland Shows, operated by John F. Reid, did fair business on a 17-day stand at Wyoming and Ford roads here, just across the street from the Detroit city line, under auspices of the Sportsmen's Club. The shows bowed with only rides. Weather was bad with the exception of one day when the temperature soared to the 80 mark. Crowds failed to measure up to previous years.

Reid has added two new army-type searchlights.

Org's free-act policy goes into effect this week-end at Port Huron, 60 miles north of Detroit, which will be the first road engagement of the season. Happyland Shows will play Port Huron under sponsorship of the local Trades and Labor Council. The Three Vesses, high act, will work the Port Huron date and will be replaced by the Teeter Sisters, who will remain with the org the rest of the season. All shows and concessions will join at Port Huron.

closed towns, lots nearest to bars. hotels that don't ask for room rents on the line, the right and wrong in burgs and what other carnivals grossed in each town. Added to that information is other valuable data, such as "The bookie in towns who always give show folks good breaks." always give show folks good breaks," and the names and addresses of the towns' most influential chamber-maids, hashers and laundry queens. So enthusiastic are our total sum

So enthusiastic are our total sum of agents that meet in the cookhouse over such info as "We're on the wrong route. I know a perfect route for a show of this size, and I could have booked it solid for fairs by postal card," that the "Like hell you cans," and the "Ten will get you 20's" can be heard downtown. Their book-ing is an open book for open dates. Besides the accounted-for locators, press agents and general agents we have a contingent of advisers, sug-gesters and pointer-outers. Adding them all up we have 500 people on the midway, which gives us 500 staff

the midway, which gives us 500 staff members. Can your census of staffers duplicate our record?

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WANT GENERAL AGENT WHO CAN PRODUCE Salary no object for right party. Promoters contact. Good proposition. Want Bingo. Cookhouse and Popcorn. Making a change. A few choice Concessions open. A few choice Concessions open. BOX D-306 c/o THE BILLBOARD 2160 Patterson St. Cincinnati 22, Ohio

FOR SALE Trucks, Tractors, with or without Rack Body or Van Semi Trailers. 1942 Chevrolet 21-Passenger Bus, mechanically and rubber good on all. 30x50 Top with Sidewall, Seats and Proscenium for Girl, Posing or Jig Show; 20x100 Top with Sidewall and Annex Pros-cenium; 30x60-inch Blow Ups for Cirl or Posing Show. All canvas Green. L. FD ROTH 1284 Hart Road, Columbus, Ohio

MR. SHOW OWNER

I hold contract for A-#1 Fourth of July Celebra-tion in thriving Ohio town, sponsored by the Legion and Vets combined. Good contract. If you can use, contact me immediately.

HARRY E. WILSON Majestic Greater Shows, Lemoyne, Pa., this week.





Experienced, attractive dancers for Girl Show Revue, also inexperienced girls for Posing Show. House trailer sleeping accommodations and transportation

furnished.

TOP SALARY GUARANTEED

Wire, don't write. Opening Friday, May 7. All replies to

EDDIE LLOYD

WORLD OF PLEASURE SHOWS

Battle Creek, Mich., this week.

JACK J. PERRY SHOWS

Want Side Show, with or without transportation; Wild Life, Snake and Mctordrome. D. D. Nelson, contact; important. Want Ride Help in all departments, Semi Driver and Foreman for Smith & Smith Chairplane. Ted Carter, wired you. A few 10c Concessions open. "X" on French Fries.

WANT ELECTRICIAN AND FREE ACT TO JOIN ON WIRE

Join a winner with a guaranteed route. Out first four prove it. Wire or write:

JACK PERRY, Mgr.

Kannapolis, N. C., this week; then the Veterans' Second Annual Spring Fair, Albemarle, N. C., week of May 10.

WANT WANT WANT McBRIDE BROS.' SHOWS MOCKSVILLE, N. C.

SPRING JUBILEE, SPONSORED BY V. F. W., MAY 10-16 Want Fish Pond, High Striker, Bumper, Coke Bottle, Clothes Pin Pitch. Can use good Ride Help. No drunks. Can use Agent for P.C., Hanky Penks, Penny Pitch, Scales and Age. Frank Sjercher, get in touch with Mrs. Reed. Charlie Ramsey wants to hear from Pee Wee, the Jig. RANDLEMAN, N. C., this week. P.S.: Johnnie Hatcher, get in touch with Clyde Parrish at once.



THE FINE OLD SHOW WITH THE GRAND OLD NAME All Stock Concessions open: Will sell Exclusive on Custard, Novelties, Jewelry, French Fries, Pronto Pup. Good opening for String Game, Slum Blower, Bowling Alley, Hit and Miss Ball Game, Knife Rack, Clothes Pin and Shooting Gallery.

Can place Flat Ride, prefer Tilt or Octopus, for 25%. Office will pay \$50.00 per week to right party. Need Ride to fulfill our Kentucky and Virginia contracts. Ride Help: Working Men in all departments, Foreman for No. 5 Eli and Second Men on all Rides. Best of treatment, long season. All Useful People, come on, will place you. W. M. Jarvis wants Griddle Man for first-class Cook House.

GAINESBORO, TENN., this week.

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GREAT SUTTON SHOWS

WANTS RIDES AND CONCESSIONS FOR STAR STUDDED ROUTE OF STRONG STILL DATES, SPRING CELEBRATIONS AND FAIRS

CONCESSIONS: Will place Merchandise Wheel that can and will work for Stock. Will place 6 Cat Outfit that works for Stock. Also Candy Apples, Candy Floss, Pig-in-Blanket, Coke Bottles, String Game, Hoop-La, Cat Racks and any Legitimate Concessions.

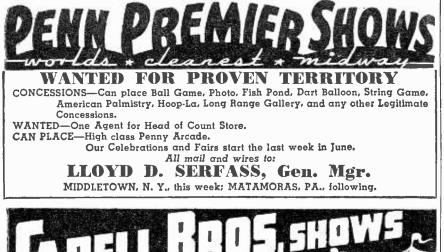
Bottles, String Game, Hoop-La, Cat Racks and any Legitimate Concessions. RIDES: Will place Roll-o-Plane, Octopus, Scooter, Spitfire, or Caterpillar. Also have opening for Kiddie Boat Ride or Kiddie Roller Coaster. High Pockets Landrum, contact me at once. CAN PLACE: Operators for two of the most beautiful Girl Shows on any Motorized Show If you have People, Wardrobe and know how to make money, contact me. Beginners, stay where you are; I want Experienced Operators. Buddy Buck, if you are still interested, wire. CAN PLACE: Ride Help and Showmen of general capacities at any and all times.

HAVE OPENING: For Experienced Bingo Counter Men. Can place Billposter with own transportation. Jess O'Dell wants Half-and-Half and General Side Show Help, to join Imansportation. ediately.

CAN PLACE: Monkey Show, Wild Life Exhibit, Bottled Punk Show. Also would give excellent proposition to owner of Motordrome. Address:

F. M. SUTTON JR., Mgr.

Alton, Ill. (downtown), this week. First Show downtown in ten years.



Americas IT Cleanest/ Min 11 WANT WANT

A few more Stock Concessions: Pitch-Till-You-Win, String Game, Darts, Fish Pond, Hoop-La, Ball Games, etc. Want capable Manager for 150-foot Side Show; must have Inside Attractions. This is a new outfit with Double Deck Banners. (No Vest Pocket Magicians.) Misrepresenting cause of this ad. Can always place soher Working Men on Rides. If at liberty, come on. Top salaries. We have 15 Fairs and Celebrations contracted, starting in June, with short jumps and bona fide dates. Address: H. N. "DOC" CAMPBELL, Mgr., HOBART, OKLA., this week; then per route. P.S.: Mr. Beekman, with Elephant and Bear, please contact at once; important.

JOHNNY J. DENTON #2 Unit HARLAN, KENTUCKY, ALL THIS WEEK

HARLAN, NENTUGNE, And the show that has just finished its seventh red one. Will book one or two more Stock Con-that can measure up to the high standard of this show. Tops Inished its sevenin red one. Will book one or two more Stock Con-cessions that can measure up to the high standard of this show. Tops need not be royal blue. Need two more sober and reliable Ride Men as we have just taken delivery on one more new ride, bringing our total to nine. Need one good Grind Show to round out our line-up of shows. All replies to BOB ROBERTSON.

WANTED AT ONCE

Bingo Counterman, Six-Cat Agent, Wheel Agent that can deal stock. Bingo Help. Contact D. D. MEADOWS,

C/O SUNSET AMUSEMENT COMPANY

SEDALIA, MO., this week: CHILLICOTHE, MO., next.

LONE STAR SHOWS

HAGERSTOWN, INDIANA, MAY 7 TO 15 HELP WANTED—Foremen for Octopus, Roll-o-Plane, Ferris Wheel, Chair-o-Plane, Auto Speedway and two Kiddie Rides. Second Men for Merry-Go-Round, Tilt-a-Whirl and above Rides. Come on, will place you. Top salaries, \$35.00 to \$60.00 per week. Cliff Trantham and Cy Drurling, wire if coming or not. Can place good Mechanic with own tools. Address all mail and wires to J. R. McSPADDEN, Hagerstown, Ind. P.S.: Pay your own wires.

JOHN McKEE SHOWS WANT

WANT Pit Show, Animal Show, Educational Shows. Will book Spitfire, Ridee-O, Pretzel. Also Stock Concessions. Can use good Billposter, one with sound car preferred. Headed for Adrian, Michigan, for Big July 4 Celebration. Address Fairfield, III., this week; Danville, III., week May 10.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

National **Showmen's Association** 154 Broadway, New York

NEW YORK. May 1.—Final meet-ing of the season held in the club-rooms Wednesday (28) night was presided over by President James E. Strates. who took a night off from his shows to wield the gavel. High-light of the meeting was the pres-ence of Executive-Secretary Walter K. Sibley on the dais after being absent thru a 10-week siege of hos-pitals and operations. Secretary Sib-ley thanked all who had extended their sympathy and well wishes via letters, cards, telegrams and phone calls, which made such a stupendous total as to make it impossible to -re-spond individually—so thanks a mil-NEW YORK. May 1.-Final meet-

total as to make it impossible to re-spond individually—so thanks a mil-lion everybody. Another highlight of the session was the report of the ways and means committee on the plans for a money-raising campaign to secure funds for a club building. The discussion made it appear a reasonable certainty the fund will be raised this year. On the dais with President Strates were President Emeritus George A. Hamid. the dais with President Strates were President Emeritus George A. Hamid, attorney Max Hofmann, Dr. Jacob Cohen and Chaplain Fred Murray. There was a fine attendance for this time of the year at both the meeting of the board of governors and the general session. Among recent visitors at the club-

of the board of governors and the general session. Among recent visitors at the club-rooms were George Bernert, Spring-field, Mass.; Max Gruberg, of Phila-delphia; Moses Kanarik, Frank C. Miller, Frank Capell, James Peter-son, Louis Stern, Lazarus Fink, Max Eichholz, Charles Buckbaum, Abe Rapps, Stanley Levy, Dr. Emil Eichel, Max Kassow, Sam Robbins, Ward Graves, Joseph Hughes, Al Janpol, Saul Eichel, Louis Aarons, Edward Goldman and C. R. Sullivan. Letters being held here for Willie Stein, Sam Tone, Pete Gasca, Sim Kerner, Harry Mirsky, Sam Berger, Sam Murphy, William H. Redmond Jr., James O'Brien, Jack Siegal, Charles Schwartz, S. Clair and Francis Murphy. On the sick list are Jack D. Wright Jr., Petersburg (Va.) Hospital; Jack Alfred, President Hotel, New York; Eugene Gutman, Northwood Sani-tarium, Saranac Lake, N. Y.; Irving Udowitz, Wards Island, New York; True Perkins, Farm Colony, Staten Island, N. Y.; Earl H. Feek, 323 Clin-ton Street, Syracuse; James Cox, Pawling Sanitarium, Wynantskill, N. Y., and Harry Koretsky, Veterans' Rest Camp, Mount McGregor, N. Y. George G. Johnson writes from Prell's Broadway Shows that busi-ness is good. C. R. Sullivan is leaving for Virginia Beach, Va. Clubrooms are to get a spring clean-ing. Ladies' Auxiliary

ing.

Ladies' Auxiliary President Queenie Van Vliet wel-comed Dolly Udowitz at the regular meeting. Fay Goldman offered to do all auxiliary printing free if furnished the paper. Her offer was accepted. A note and check were received from Cladys Rosenthal in appreciation of Gladys Rosenthal in appreciation of

auxiliary work. Bess Hamid sent in a check to cover the expense of a bronze plaque. More afghans were delivered to the U. S. Marine Hospital, Staten Island, by Anita and Johnny Pineapple, who also gave a show there in conjunction with the Empire Entertainers. This group includes auxiliary members Anita Goldie, Fredi Coleman, Shir-leen O'Brien, Recca Rousseau, Mil-

dred Pouch and Cynthia Nelson. Celia Forman won the dark horse at a farewell social. The past presiat a farewell social. The past presi-dent's card party earned a neat sum. Lillian Elkins has returned to the road. Fredi Coleman, Helen Young, Anita Goldie, Fay Goldman, Recca Rousseau and Clair Priddy caught the B & V Shows at Garfield, N. J. Mr. and Mrs. Justin Van Vliet, owners,

Showmen's League of America

400 So. State St., Chicago

CHICAGO, May 1.-Second Vice President Lou Keller presided at th closing spring meeting Thursday (29) With him at the table were Treasure Walter F. Driver and Secretary Jo Streibich.

The welfare committee report Orval (Whitey) Harris is comin

Orval (Whitey) Harris is comin along nicely. Ned Torti is donating the flags <u>t</u>-be placed on graves in Showmen' Rest Decoration Day. Chairman Rube Liebman assure us the membership committee wil get into action at once, so please co operate when he writes you. The sick list still includes Al Latte

The sick list still includes Al Latte W. C. Deneke, Tom Vollmen, Marsh all L. Green, Eddie Murphy and Johy A. Barbaro. Abe Levine stopped over en rout

to Louisville. Joe Mark was with us after a long absence. Louis Sells a new member, attended his firs meeting. John Dehner spent the da: in Chicago. Mrs. Dehner is in Billing Hospital. Paul Miller came in from the East.

Ladies' Auxiliary Mrs. Sam Gluskin, presiden wielded the gavel at the April 2 meeting in the Sherman Hotel. Also on the rostrum were Phoeb

Also on the rostrum were Phoeb Carsky, first vice-president pro-ter Mrs. Lena Schlossberg, second vice president; Carmelita Horan, treas urer, and Elsie Miller, secretary. In vocation was given by Mrs. Ralp) Glick, chaplain.

Mary Lou Filograsso, daughter o Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Filograsso, re cently underwent an operation. Mrs. Lillian Woods is ill at he home in Lake Marie, Ill. Jeanett Wall also is on the sick list.

Final meeting of the season is slated for Thursday (6). Member ship drive opens soon with Viol Fairly as chairman. Mrs. Margaret Hock and

Mrs Henry Belden, both past presidents were appointed to make arrange ments for rooms for the bazaar sched uled to begin November 26.

Mrs. Nan Rankine, past presidem returned from a Florida vacation.

Caravans, Inc. P. O. Box 1902, Chicago

P. O. Box 1902, Chicago CHICAGO, May 1.—The club cele brated its fifth birthday April 24 Isabell Brantman, chairman of thy house committee, was in charge of arrangements and was assisted by Violet Watson, Josephine Glickman Gussie Breger and Esther Meyers. Past President Pearl McGlynr acted as mistress of ceremonies, with entertainment furnished by Ruft Clinton, Isabell Brantman, and Ralpf Pope and his son, Skippy. Others present included President Lucille Hirsch, Mae Oakes, Claire Sopenar, Marianna Pope, Edna Sten-son, Rebecca Daniels, Jennie Catrom-bone, Edna Burrows, Biolet Rohr-beck, Grace Guthrie, Ann Young Helen Wettour, Estelle Swiader, Mar-tha Witters, Anna Graebert and Betty Broderich, the last nemed of Crowin

tha Witters, Anna Graebert and Betty Broderick, the last named of Crowi Point, Ind.

Guests were Larry O'Keefe and Ralph Pope.

Past President Edna O'Shea Sten son was in charge of the social held April 20. Ann Sleyster won first prize, Violet Watson and Mildrec Maniloff shared second and Lilliar Lawrence and Lorrayne Surak shared third third.

Pacific Coast Showmen's Association

1106 S. Broadway, Los Angeles 15

LOS ANGELES, May 1.-Short sesion Monday, April 26, was conducted y Vice-President Joe Krug. Secre-ary Ed Mann, Treasurer Al Weber, 'haplain Jack Hughes, Past President Ed Brown and Pat Shanley, guest, lso were on the rostrum.

Guests introduced included Dan ordon, introduced by Ed Mann; fordon. toddy Hughes; Pat Klonsky and Pat hanley, introduced by Eddie Brown, nd Dan Ara, introduced by Joe rug. All gave short talks. nd Dan

It was reported that Barney Tulley ill in a Los Angeles rest home. A vote of thanks was given those the donated their time and efforts

a unpacking and arranging the new ather chairs in the club's audi-prium. Joe Blash Jr., who donated lot of new smoking stands, also was

iven applause. Drawing was won by Al Weber. le donated his winnings to the buildig fund.

Ladies' Auxiliary

Regular meeting was held April 26, vith First Vice-President Charlotte ohen presiding. Special guest was Irs. Elvera Iverson, who was introuced by Minnie Fisher. Letters and cards were read from

Letters and cards were read from ann Stewart and President Madge suckley, the latter en route to Jgden, Utah, to visit Nina Rogers. Reported on the sick list were Past resident Alerita Foster and Gladys

oung, Alice Blash and Blossom Rob-

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Ride Help, semi drivers preferred. This week Newport News,

Duck Pond, Photos, Darts, Devil's Bowling Alley, Hoop-La, Pitch Till You elry, Cork Gallery, Long and Short Range Galleries and Ball Games, Gan Playing good Bingo territory. WANT Shows such as Wild Life, Monkey beral percentage. Darling, contact us. Will furnish top and equipment to an frame and manage Side Show, Want Second Men on Tilta-Whirl and semis; top salary. Bob Savage, get in touch with David A. Wise. Want how Banners and used Girl Show Banners. All address: Slu Bi G . lib cap Fer rris Wheel; must drive semis buy set of used Side Show Ba anley, North Carolina, this week; then the big one, Thomasville, North Carolina, and then into the coal fields of West Virginia and Kentucky. FATERSHOV FIRST IN AGAIN Can place for Rochester, Penna, and other top Pennsylvania spots; also long season of Fairs and Celebrations. CONCESSIONS—Photos, Short Range Gallery, Novelties, Arcade and other 10¢ Merchandise Concessions. ESPECIALLY GOOD PROPOSITION FOR SIDE SHOW WITH OWN EQUIPMENT. GET WITH A WINNER Address: SAM GOLDSTEIN, Lemoyne, Penna., this week

Va.; week of May 10, Petersburg Pike, Richmond.



on, Charles Town, Jefferson County, West Virginia, week May 10th. Have complete outfits for same. Good opening for Motor Drome, M Girls for Girl Show. Working Arts for Side Show. Also Man to Show, have complete outfit. Place Concessions, must be leading the tekley Ruck, Balloon Darts, Addem Darts, Coke Bottles, Basketball, Je ring Game or any Concessions not conflicting. Ride Help, must be re Monkey to make of all kind ay. Hue Stri snow r and reli this week; Charles Town, Jefferson County, W. Va., week May 10th



win book, buy of loss furthers, stock, own transportation; low percentage. CONCESSIONS—Basket Ball, Darts, Buckets, Stock, Wheels. Playing large industrial cities in New England for 22 weeks. Can use sober Ride Help that drive. Agents, come on. All replies:

0. PHIL RAY, 253 Lockwood St., Providence, R. I.





Want Grind Stores. Want Fun House and Drome Shows. Have complete outfit for 10-in-1. Lew Graham, I wired you; have outfit for other Shows. Want Foremen for Merry, Wheel, Plane and Caterpillar; also Second Men, come on. Write or wire 404 GARIBALDI AVE., LODI, N. J.

Hostesses for the evening were Florence Lusby, Maree Rhodes and Ann Waterman, house chairman. Bingo was played and lunch served, the men being invited.

tion toward the Frigidaire.

versary.



Want Glass House, Monkey, Animal, Wild Life, Mechanical City and other worth-while attractions.

Can place Merchandise Concessions of all kinds. Especially want Penny Arcade.

Ride Help that can drive semis. Operators for Tilt, Wheels, Kiddie Rides and General Help on all rides. Mechanic's Helper with experience.

Have for Sale-Khaki Tent, 30x50 with nine-foot wall (new), 20x40 with nine-foot wall (used six times): Marquee for front entrance (blue), in fair condition.

Battle Creek, Michigan JOHN QUINN, Mgr.

MERIT SHOWS

MAYNARD, MASS., MAY 10-15

Can place for long season several Concessions that work for 10¢-no grift. Opening for Scales, Guess Your Age, Photos, Over 12, Pan Game, Duck Pond, Long Range Shooting Galley, also Short Range. Want one or two good clean Shows. Several good Ride Foremen that can drive. Address all mail to

HENRY (SONNY) FINNERAL 215 LINCOLN ST., LOWELL, MASS.

TEL.: LOWELL 27981

GAIETY SHOWS

Want help on Freddie Blyth's Bingo, semi-drivers preferred. Want Bottle Ball Game, Penny Pitch and Slum Stores. Want Freak Show, Five-in-One, etc. Can use Two more good Men on Rides.

Anthony Santillo, Gen. Mgr.—Samuel Brockler, Secy.-Treas. Hornell, N. Y., this week: Newark, N. Y., next week.

BARNEY TASSELL UNIT SHOWS

Want for Orange, Va., right in center of town, week May 10 Merry-Co-Round, Crind Shows of merit and legitimate Concessions. Can place Ride Men, Agents and Electrician.

Week May 17, Culpeper, Va. Write or wire this week, West Point, Va. P.S.: W. (Mumbles) Watterman! Answered your wire. Please contact.

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Strates Uses Pix To Kill Waits Shows Between

(Continued from page 72) adults, all of whom were well heeled with spending money.

A movie trailer, made during the show's Washington engagement by the Associated Movie & Photo Company, will be screened in each of the sit-down shows between performances. Since the flicker contains shots of Nate Eagle's Midget Show, Georgia Sothern's unit, Hollinger's Minstrel Show, George Murray's Motordrome, Capt. Munn's Monkey Show and Claude Bentley's Side Show, in addition to shots of the rides in action and crowd scenes, Owner Strates figures the screenings will not only help to entertain patrons sweating out the wait between ballys but also serve to sell them on seeing the other attractions.

Hollywood Midget

Nelson Thomas, supervising the advance billing, had the town well wrapped in special Hollywood Midget and Georgia Sothern paper from 24sheets down to half-sheet flats. Manager Dick O'Brien worked out a difficult problem when he succeeded in laying out this year's enlarged show on what in the past has always been considered a tight lot.

considered a tight lot. Edward P. Rahn joined the advance here. Mrs, Roy B. Jones joined con-cession row with a well-flashed booth. Mrs. Don Truax left to visit her parents at Astoria, L. L, N. Y. Paul Hutchinson, mailman and The Billboard sales agent, has purchased a new Main Line house trailer. Mrs. Annie Gruberg visited.

Buck Chalks Up A Record Debut

(Continued from page 72) Dream Hour Revue, Jungleland, Varieties, Oddities and 35 conces-sions. Shows also has three light towers and two searchlights.

Concession Personnel

Concession Personnel E. C. Evans concession personnel includes Jimmie, Eddie and Helen Evans, Marjorie Robinson, Steve Minarik, Archie Johnson, Babe Mor-ris, William and Martin Minarick, Steve and Ada Jancoura. George Lee is handling the new Funhouse. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Mitchell have the mitt camp and scales. Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Evans have a new popcorn and candy apple trailer. Harry Schwartz has a new cat rack in addition to his frozen custard. Luke Seifker is chief electrician. Mrs. Ralph Manning and Mrs. William Beldock are handling main gate ticket sales. Personnel of Jack Kearns' Dream

main gate ticket sales. Personnel of Jack Kearns' Dream Hour Revue includes Jack and Dottie Kearns, Tanya Powers, Bonnie Lane, Ginger O'Day, Patty O'Neil, Betty Lou Murray, Brenda Price, Sally Ryan, Cora Burns and Charlie Drew. Pete Powers is general manager and Thomas Brady electrician. Bob Rob-erts has the orchestra and Raymond Burdue is property man.

erts has the orchestra and Raymond Burque is property man. Jones' bingo personnel includes Jean and Julia O'Donnell, managers; Bob Geiger, Bill Johnson, George Reinsmith, Louis Ronemus, George Weaver, Marion Smith and George Gourley.

Visitors included Al Burke, Bill Malarkey, Charlie Marcy; Mr. and Mrs. George Sparks and son, Bill; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Herrick, Artie Pensonalt, Joe Wilson, E. J. Warner, John M. Keeley and Jack Kreag.

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TAMPA, WINTER QUARTERS OF THE ROYAL AMERICAN SHOWS, recently paid tribute to that org and its owner, Carl SedImayr Sr., at the premiere of "King of the Carnival," technicolor short on SedImayr and his org. Preemed at the State Theater, pic drew large turnout, including many local notables. At top, Mayor Hixon is shown gazing at crown he had placed on SedImayr's head during the premiere ceremonies, while Sally Rand, wearing a crown symbolic of the Queen of the Carnival, gazes upon the audience. At the bottom is a partial view of crowd which gathered in front of the theater.

Minnow Vs. Whale in Pine Bluff; Gem City Outgulping Ward Org

PINE BLUFF, Ark., May 1.—This community, never a big one for car-nivals, this week witnessed an inter-esting day-and-date tussle between a railroad show, John R. Ward's, and a truck show, the Gem City Shows, owned by Jack Downs. Thru Wednesday, April 28, the minnow was out-swallowing the whale, as the Downs aggregation was gulping down the most business. Gem City took a big mouthful at the outset, opening Monday, April 26, to a crowd estimated at 3,000. Meanwhile the Ward org was not ready to go. A delay in the rail movement in and the slick, treach-erous condition of the clay lot on arrival caused it to muff the night. Ward Knocks Off Gate

Shows continued to hold to its paid gate and was averaging about 3,000 customers per night. A boon to Gem City is its location, far and away the better of the two. The Downs-owned outfit is spotted adjacent to Taylor Field, local ball park, and at night the park's battery of flocd lights are turned on, giving added flash to the shows and en-abling easy parking. The Ward Shows, on the other hand, are spotted beyond the city limits at 24th and Main. The lot lacks adequate park-ing facilities, and its relative re-moteness has had its effect.

Free Act Also Helps

rree Act Also Helps Gem City's business has been boosted by the Emanuel Zacchini was with free admission to all fems. And Wednesday night the paid gate on the Ward lot was knocked off en-tirely. Meanwhile the Gem City

Weather Blank C&W's Opene (Continued from page 72)

many years with World of Mi many years with world of Ma Shows, in Palisades (N. J.) pa Purtle will handle the touring t while his wife will run a park up He put in an appearance here desp a serious injury received two we ago while setting up the park unit.

Also added this year is a Minst Show, produced by Russell Judy, a other operator used to big crowds a

Show, produced by Russen Judy, a
other operator used to big crowds a
sizable grosses. Judy also spent ye
in a similar capacity around
WOM. Heading up the cast of
performers is Stepin' Fetchit, Hol
wood's prize exponent of slow moti
Besides highlighting the seriousn
with which the owners regard
future, the joining of these mone
wise operators is an indication of
confidence in future successes.
The lure of (150G gross) India
State Fair, which the org will p
this year for the second time,
mighty potent. Holding their o
creditably are Al Tomaine's S
Show, Singer's Midgets and Hamber
Monkey Show.

The bum break in the weather v hard to take, even tho this date ov the boys little or nothing. The ad cent Camp Lee and its thousands soldiers added up to several red ov thruout the war years. Tonight's r came just as the crowd was beginn to reach proportions that caused partners to hope for a \$5,000 take

The send-off here was in keep with tradition, with local mercha springing for full-page newspaper a and Mayor Mann officiating at ope ing ceremonies.

ing ceremonies. Arriving from Florida in time take over public relations was Wilf Martin, formerly of The Tampa Da Times staff. Show officials inclu R. C. McCarter, general agent; W liam Hartman, treasurer; J. E. Walk secretary; E. K. Johnson, contracti agent; Pete Thompson, lot super tendent; Fred Utter, electrician; McDonnell, purchasing agent; Whit Hewitt, ride superintendent; Jimi Trump, billposter; Henry Roell sound, and Eddie Sterline, musi director. director.

Richmond Acquires Stadiu

RICHMOND, Va., May 1.—T Stadium, Richmond's largest outdo arena, was transferred from prive control to the city this week. T city plans to enlarge and impro the present structure. Alderm Henry W. Woody is chairman of t board of the Richmond Stadiu Authority.

quick to cash in on that publici break. In their radio and new paper build-up they emphasized t Zacchini act's nightly appearance a this served to up their business. Sor first take in the Ward org, then to the Gem City lot in time to cat the 10 p.m. cannon act.

Indications are that Gem City w wind up the stand here on the pro side of the ledger, whereas the Wa org will be fortunate if it brea even. To wind up that way, it w have to finish on an extremely stronote.

For Gem City the engagement he marked the first time this season presented its full strength. Twel rides are up and six shows are operation. Shows are Curtis Hē rick's Girl Revue, Mickey Mansion Side Show and Monkey Show, Ra mond Wallton's Wild Animal Sho and the Mickey Mouse Circus. T Penny Arcade also is in operation. In its move northward to mo

Bright Lights Bow Brings Fair Biz; **Personnel Listed**

LYNCHBURG, Va., May 1.—A trong finish Friday and Saturday 23-24) turned the Bright Lights Ex-osition Shows' season opener here nto a tolerable date. A slow start, wever, kept the preem perform-nce below expectations.

Shows' staff includes John Gecoma Shows' statt includes John Gecoma nd Lou Heck, co-owners; Frank Z. Iyde, secretary; Frank Norton, elec-rician; Aubrey Lemmons, lot and cansportation superintendent, and Jarshall Baugness, advance.

Shows and their managers include: ide Show, Otis Holder; Minstrel, 'ete Howard; *Parisian Models*, John 'ill; Hillbilly, Avin Gordon; Snake, eonard Marshall; Monkey, Frank 'heshir; Funhouse, Everett Sarver.

'heshir; Funhouse, Everett Sarver. R i d e s: Merry-Go-Round, Tom ningledecker; kiddie autos, Paul Bish; kiddie whip, A. J. White; kiddie Ianes, D. C. Shroyer; Ferris Wheel, Villiam White; Chairplane, Virgil Jedrow; Pony Ride, Vernon Michael; 'lying Scooter, Ralph Makin, and he Rolloplane, owned and operated 'y Mr. and Mrs. Constable. Concession row includes Dannie Donnini's six stores and bingo; Mike ucas's cookhouse: Joe and Ann Rae.

Johnin's six stores and bingo; Mike Jucas's cookhouse; Joe and Ann Rae, Jopcorn and candy apples; Mickey ind Margaret Vagell, custard; John Jucas, French fries; Joan Benjamin, andy floss; Hal Roberts, two grind tores; Eddie Mohr, short and longtores; Eddie Mohr, short and long-ange galleries; Corda Smith, ciga-ette gallery; Roy Kramer, pitch-till-ou-win; S. C. Constable, scales and (lass pitch; Billie Shingledecker, nov-elties; Mrs. M. Baugness, penny pitch; Mr. Anthony, diggers; John Stergo, wo American palmistry booths; Hat-ie Dolan, milk bottles; Laverne Daniels and Mary Ann Lucas, cat racks. 'acks

Corda Smith, aerialist, is the free ict.

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This week, GIBSONVILLE, N. C.

RIDE MEN WANTED First and Second Men on No. 5 Wheel, First and Second Men on Super Rolt-o-Plane. Johnny Markham and Geo. Zeller, get in touch with me at once. All replies to:

TROY E. WILLIAMS WILLIAMS AMUSEMENT CO. Ft. Mill, S. C., this week; Salistury, N. C., next week.

Red and Babe Cunningham Contact us TURNER BROS.' SHOWS DECATUR, ILL., this week.

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CALIFORNIA

CALIFORNIA Bakersfield—Patrolmen's Rodeo. May 22-23. George W. Corbin, Box 118. Burbank—Burbank on Parade Celebration. May 14-16. Toni Boudreau. Hayward-Hayward Rodeo. May 8-9. Cecil Jones, 3311 Dublin Blvd. Los Banos—Merced Co. Spring Fair. April 30-May 3. D. Oliver Germino. San Francisco—Sports, Travel & Boat Show. April 30-May 9. F. W. Kahler, Minneapolis. Sonora—Mother Lode Rodeo. May 9. Lowell Bell, Box 561.

GEORGIA

Atlanta—Automotive Show. May 13-16. F. B. Steward, 1492 Peachtree St., N. W. ILLINOIS

Chicago-Home Show. May 1-9. F. Van Auken, 111 W. Jackson Blvd. Rockford-Tll.-Wis. Sports & Travel Show. May 22-31. Harry Clark.

INDIANA Indianapolis—500-Mile Auto Race. May 31. Wilbur Shaw, 444 N. Capitol Ave.

KANSAS

Anthony—70th Anniversary & Home-Coming. May 26-28. Ray Hayter. Meade—State Calf-Roping Championship. May 15-16. Glen Kauffman.

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston-New England Home & Food Show. May 24-29. Campbell-Fairbanks, 929 Park Sq. Bldg.

MICHIGAN

Holland-Tulip Time Festival. May 19-22. Willard C. Wichers, City Hall. MISSOURI

St. Joseph—Apple Blossom Festival. May 6-8. Harold P. Echternach, Chamber of Com-

Matou 1. Sciences, and Arena. May 9-23. John A. Harding, 1200 Clark Ave. St. Louis-Home Builders Expo. May 22-20. J. W. Curry.

NEVADA

Las Vegas-Helldorado & Rodeo. May 13-16. O. D. Adcock, Elks Club. NEW JERSEY

Atlantic City-Housewares Show. May 29-June 4. **NEW YORK**

INEW YORK New York—Travel & Vacation Show. May 3-8. Salina, Syracuse—Field Days. May 19-31. Third Ward Men's Club, Syracuse. Syracuse—Auto Show. May 3-8. J. D. Hayes, McCarthy Bldg.

OHIO Cincinnati-Home Show at Music Hall. May 15-23.

PENNSYLVANIA

Eagleville—Firemen's Fair. May 19-29. Wm E. Koffel.

TENNESSEE Humboldt-W. Tenn. Strawberry Festival. May 5-7. Robt. L. Nicholson, City Hall. Memphis Cotton Carnival. May 9-16. Milton Schmith, Box 302.

Hinkle-Miller Combo Denied

CINCINNATI, May 1.—Milt Hinkle said this week that the Col. Zack T. Miller Great 101 Ranch Wild West Show is not combined with the Milt Hinkle Rodeo, as stated in an advertisement in the April 24 issue of The Billboard. Hinkle explained that Miller appeared personally with the No. 1 Hinkle show in Charlotte, N. C. and Macon, Ga., and is currently with Hinkle's No. 2 show, managed by his partner, Radie Evans. The Billboard wired Hinkle upon receipt of a let-ter from Miller, who said he had signed no contract with Hinkle and that he did not expect to sign one. The error, Hinkle said, was made by his clerk in preparing the ad.

Huntley Weds Helen Scott

HUGO, Okla., May 1. — Spencer Huntley and Helen Scott, both for-merly with Cole Bros.' and Clyde Beatty circuses, were married here March 16. The couple recently pur-chased an elephant from the Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros.' Circus and has booked it as a free act on United Exposition Shows for the season. They will be assisted in the act by Frank (Spider) Jones.

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Brownwood—Brownwood Regatta. May 16. Joe McDonald.
Elsa—Tomato Fiesta & Rodeo. May 5-9. Thelma Jobes, Edcouch, Tex.
Houston—Houston Sports Show. May 7-13. M. S. Bright, c/o Houston Chronicle.
Vernon—Santa Rosa Round-Up & Livestock Expo. May 4-9. John Biggs.

UTAH Richmond-Black & White Days. May 19-21. S. Milton Webb. Vernal-Uintah Basin Jr. Livestock Show. May 6-8. Wm. C. Whitaker.

VIRGINIA

Winchester—Apple Blossom Festival. 29-30. Tom W. Baldridge, Box 699.

Dayton—Dayton Days. May 31-June 1. Merle Gwinn. Spokane-Junior Livestock Show. May 5-2. P. R. Goldhart. Tonasket-Lions Club Rodeo. May 15-16. Dr. C. A. Eberlein.

WASHINGTON

Waitsburg-Days of Real Sport. May 27-29. John W. Reed.

CANADA

Show.
 Amherst. N. S.—Cumberland Motor Show. May 5-8. Ernest W. Corbett.
 Saskatoon, Sask.—Fat Stock Show & Sale. May 27-29. Mrs. Letta Walsh.
 April
 Toronto, Ont.—International Trade Fair. May 31-June 12.



DAN DONNINI or GARRETT SCOTT, Bus. Mgr. Covington, Va., this week; Charles Town, Jefferson County, W. Va., week May 10th

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WISE, VA., this week: JONESBORO, TENN., next.

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UNDER MARQUEE

(Continued from page 67) Clyde Beatty Circus. He will remain on the show for the season driving his fire truck overland.

Dr. H. F. Troutman, Logan, W. Va., caught night performance of Dailey Bros. there April 27, reporting big biz. He and his wife (formerly Florence Wallett, of the Riding Wallett Family) saw King Bros. in Logan May 3.

That old saw, "Money isn't everything," isn't all right with a manager who has animals, 300 people to pay and railroad moves to worry over.

William (Billy) Wilson post cards from Columbus, Miss., that he no longer is with Cole Bros.' Circus for whom he was advance special agent. Wilson says his present plans are indefinite.

George Hanneford The family The George Hanneloru Janny played host to numerous friends dur-ing the Clyde Beatty Circus stand in Los Angeles. Among daily visitors were Poodles and Gracie Hanneford and the engagement marked the first time in many years that the family had been together.

People listen to openings made by side show talkers who haven't been listened to in office wagons for years.

E. J. Floyd, who closed his season as billposter with Clyde Bros., was a Chicago visitor April 30. He reports he will go out this week with Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers as billposter.

Roland J. Weber, Chicago, has his miniature circus on display at the Boston Store in the Windy City. Weber reports he will play no fairs this year but there is a possibility he will have his show on display at the Chicago Railroad Fair.

Remember the days when we answered a towner's questions with: "I don't know. Just joined the circus yesterday."

Jake J. Disch, known professionally as Officer Corrigan, the Clown Cop, visited the Chicago office of The Billboard to report that he was beaten in board to report that he was beaten in the recent aldermanic election in Cudahy, Wis., by six votes. "I held the office for eight years and that's enough," Disch said. He reported that on election day he was playing a cele-bration at Monroe, Wis. In Chicago, Disch was visiting his son, William.

Members of the R. V. Lewis band and minstrel annex attraction on Cole Bros.' Circus include Lewis, who directs the band and plays lead trum-pet; John Webb, trumpet; F. Woods and Bob Howe, trombones; Hooks and Bob Howe, trombones; Hooks Tilford, sax; William May and Noah Robison, bass; Shufflin' Sam Square, drums and comic; Irene Lewis, inter-locutress; Tiney Glass and Louise Jackson, soubret, and Billy Dee, comic and song and dance man.

Stories about long runs show trains made in the past didn't excite a privilege car operator who only wanted to know, "How long did it take them?"

Former circus agents meeting re-cently in Gadsden, Ala., included J. Raymond Morris, advertising agent for Cavalcade of Amusements; J. C. for Cavalcade of Amusements; J. C. Admire, press agent for the Harry Lottridge Shows; Johnny Cousins, ad-vertising agent for the Royal Crown Shows, and Sam B. Warren, business agent of the Silas Green From New Orleans Show which played Gadsden April 16. Admire and Morris were Worren's guests at the pright show Warren's guests at the night show.

Peace between two opposition billing brigades is a pretty ideal, even the in the opinion of an old-timer it's totally unshowmanlike.

Among visitors to the Clyde Beatty Circus during its engagement in Los

And Hendersonville NEW YORK, May 1 .--- George A. Hamid, head of the booking office bearing his name, this week announced the inking of two additional fairs, Roanoke, Va., and Hendersonville, N. C.

Hamid Inks Roanoke ROUTES

Roanoke, which is being staged under the auspices of the American Legion, will have a band and eight acts. Annual, which will have the John H. Marks Shows on the midway, will operate the week of August 23.

George Jr. inked the Hendersonville contract which calls for a stageshow, auto races and a thrill show. A new 4,000-seat grandstand is being constructed

Angeles were J. Ed Brown, S. L. Angeles were J. Ed Brown, S. L. Cronin, Walt Matthie, Billy Hoffman, Stella and Billy Hamilton, Sam Ab-bott, Bud Richards, Doug Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wolverton and daughter, A. F. Ziegelmeyer, W. R. Colvin, Harry Quillen, Snapper In-gram, Johnny and Ruth Strong, Kenny and Edris Hull, Mabel Stark. Eddie Trees, Claude and Pauline Webb, A. Escalante, Bill Dedrick. Richard Brandon, Tom Plank. Bill Webb, A. Escalante, Bill Dedrick. Richard Brandon, Tom Plank, Bill Bailey, George Perkins, Ruby and Jimmy Wood, C. A. Bucktel, Lou Johnson, Frank Whitbeck, George Emerson and Stan Rogers.

Capt. J. W. Williams has returned to Washington from his home in Indiana, where he spent the past two months preparing his dog act for the coming season. Williams says he will have six dogs this year, with three acting as relief performers.

"Circus biz today is far ahead of yes-terday's," advised a fellow in the know. "We've already had a billing war, which is long before five-sixths of the circuses open.'

Rex M. Ingham is back at his Ruf-Kex M. Ingnam is back at ms Kui-fin, N. C., animal farm after winding up his school bookings for two units. Mrs. D. B. Shores, who had the bird unit, closed April 23 and rejoined I. W. Boden, burro ball impresario, for her second year as agent. Dr. W. Boden, burro ball impresario, for her second year as agent. Dr. George D. Barrett will close in June with his animal unit at schools. The Inghams recently visited Mr. and Mrs. R. Z. Bunch, former carnival troupers, who now operate the Whis-tling Pines Tourist Court at Elizabeth City, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. John T. Fly, former showfolks, are located at Norfolk, where Johnnie is employed in a shipyard; F. O. (Tarzan) Banks, snake exhibit operator at Seaside Park, Norfolk, and Frederic Heutfe, superintendent of parks in Norfolk.

Then there was the early-day billing war in which an opposition brigade boarded with a farmer across from a 60-sheet daub, located at the fork of three roads, where they could watch another brigade's operations, and tear down their paper after it left.

ENDY BOWS WELL

(Continued from page 72) livery at the next stand, Norfolk, Va. On the midway here were 55 concessions under the management of Jack Gilbert, 18 rides and 14 shows.

Executive staff includes David B. Endy, owner; Louis A. Rice, manager; Vernon Korhn, secretary; Curtis Endy, owner; Louis A. Rice, manager; Vernon Korhn, secretary; Curtis Bockus, general agent; Joe Rowan, special agent; Jules Scliffer, billposter and radio; William R. Hicks, lot man; Neville Baker, purchasing agent; James Zabraski, Diesel and electri-cian; Enoch Ratzell, sound; Earnest Evans ride superintendent: Trad Wil Evans, ride superintendent; Ted Wil-liams, food concessions; Chuck Conners, front gate; Bull Smith, watch-man and mail, and Jack Hornsby, The Billboard agent.

Dela., 19-22.
Veterans Usited: Worthington, Minn.; Le M.: Ia., 10-15.
Victory Expo.: Batesville, Ark.
Victory United: Huron, S. D., 10-15.
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Wade, W. G.: Pontiac, Mich.
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Ward, John R.: Nashville, Tenn.; Lafaye 10-15.
Ward, John R.: Nashville, Tenn.; Sparta 10-16
West Coast: Santa Rosa, Calif., 4-9.
Wheeler, Eddie: Celina, Tenn.; Sparta 10-16.
Williams Am. Co.: Ft. Mill, S. C.; Salisbu N. C., 10-15.
Wilson Framous: Galesburg, Ill.; Blooming 10-15.
Wilson Greater: Flagstaff, Ariz., 3-9.
Wolf Greater: Austin, Minn.; Mason City, : 10-15.
Wolfe Am. Co.: Rocky Mount, Va.; Frank

(Continued from page 64) Triangle: Newport News, Va.; Richmond 15.

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10-15. Wolfe Am. Co.: Rocky Mount, Va.; Frank W. Va., 10-15. World of Mirth: Richmond, Va. World of Mirth: Richmond, Va. World of Pleasure: Battle Creek, Mich., 7-World of Today: Hannibal, Mo. Zeller's: Stockdale, Pa. Ziegler: Spokane, Wash.

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Cole Bros.: Kokomo, Ind., 4; Anderson 5; (lumbus 6; Indianapolis 7-9.
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W. Va., 5; Pineville 6; Mullins 7; Man Dailey Bros.: Marietta, O., 4; Zanesville Mount Vernon 6; Newark 7; Cambridge 8 Davenport, Orrin: Winnipeg, Man., Can., 8-Gainesville Community: Lubbock, Tex., 7
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Ottawa, Ont., 10-15.
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Polack Bros. (Western): (Baylor Rodeo St dium) Austin 10-16.
Polack Bros. (Western): (Auditorium) Oa land, Calif., 6-16.
Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Balley: (Mã. son Square Garden) Boston, Mass., 10-15.
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Hollywood on Ice (War Memorial Bldg.) Tre ton, N. J., 7-9; (Lyric) Allentown, Pa., J

15. Miller's, Irvin C., Brown-Skin Models (Roos velt) Pittsburgh, 5-6; (Globe) Clevelar velt) Pittsburgh, 5-6; (Globe) Clevelar 8-14. Plunkett's Stage Show: Stratford, Tex., 6-8.

R. I. Okays State Bldg. At Eastern States Expe

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., May 1. Rhode Island soon will add a buildir to the official New England grot on the Avenue of States at the East ern States Exposition, officials hav been advised

ern States Exposition, officials have been advised. The Rhode Island Senate recentl adopted a bill creating a commission to construct and operate a \$125,00 building at the expo. When cor structed all six New England State will be represented.

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c/o JOHN H. MARKS SHOWS, TRENTON. N. J., this week.

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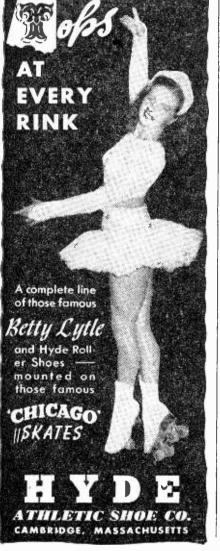
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Major Upsets Feature D. C. RSROA Meet at Riverside

WASHINGTON, May 1.-Before a large crowd, composed mainly of local and out-of-town skaters, Eileen Bocal and out-of-town skaters, Eileen Bendall successfully defended her junior girls' figure skating crown in the eighth District of Columbia roller skating championships of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of the United States, held April 19 and 20 in the Riverside Stadium rink of L F and S C. Looffer Ur of L. E. and S. G. Loeffler Jr.

Miss Bendall took an early lead in the compulsory school figures and

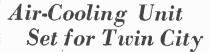


then skated a flawless

then skated a flawless free-style pro-gram to defeat a field of six other contestants by a wide margin. The victory, her fourth in a row in this event, established her as a strong contender for regional and RSROA national titles in future competitions at Pittsburgh and Cleveland. The only other contestant to suc-cessfully defend his crown was Robert Seigfried, who took two firsts and three seconds in senior men's speed events. This triumph extended his string of three District senior men's speed championships. Seig-fried figured in two other champion-ships, as he was a member of the winning intermediate fours team. Upsets featured other major events as Jimmie Parker, 1947 national ju-venile boys' figure champion, was defeated in the junior boys' division by Walter Horn; Robert Seigfried and Charlotte Northrup failed to gain their third senior dance title as Nola Hrenchir and William Many placed first, and Mary Lou Orr was upset by Jackie Miller in the senior ladies' division. Judges were Thomas Lane and division.

Judges were Thomas Lane and Robert La Briola, New York, and Frank Bidrak, Newark, N. J.

Frank Bidrak, Newark, N. J. Other results: Senior ladies, Jackie Miller and Mary Lou Orr. Senior pairs, Robert Seigfried and Lucille Lucy, and Albert Hennige and Rose Ormsbee. Intermediate fours, Nickie Nolte, Barbara Vanderburg, Robert Seigfried and Lucille Lucy. Inter-mediate ladies' figures, Rose Orms-bee. Intermediate men's figures, Nickie Nolte. Novice fours, James Arvanitis, Marylou Hayes and Ralph and Mildred Taylor. Novice pairs, Nickie Nolte and Barbara Vander-burg, and Edward Heck and Betty Eckhart. Novice men's figures, Ed-ward Heck and Robert Malec. Nov-ice ladies' figures, Marylou Hayes and Alice Montieth. Junior boys' figures, Walter Horn and Jim-mie Sutton. Junior girls' figures, Eileen Bendall and Doris Ann Heath. Senior dance, William Many and Nola Hrenchir, and Robert Seigfried and Charlotte Northrup. Intermediate dance, James Arvanitis and June Hutchinson. Novice dance, Ralph and Mildred Taylor, and Robert Malec and Katherine Cartner. Senior ladies' speed, Jackie Miller and Eliza-beth Hayes. Senior men's speed, Robert Seigfried and Joseph Misie-(See Major Upsets on opposite page) Other results: Senior ladies, Jackie



ELIZABETH, N. J., May 1.—Plans to install refrigeration equipment to completely air-condition. Twin City Arena here, of the America on Wheels chain of rinks, were an-nounced this week by W. Schmitz, AOW general manager. The decision to install a cooling unit here was made after installation of similar equipment last year in the chain's Hackensack (N. J.) Arena proved to be a drawing card, said Schmitz.

Schmitz Replies To Martin Blast

CINCINNATI, May 1. — William Schmitz, Elizabeth, N. J., secretary of the United Rink Operators, issued a statement this week in reply to a challenge (*The Billboard*, May 1) by Fred A. Martin, Detroit, secretary of the Paller Stating Finds Fred A. Martin, Detroit, secretary of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of the United States, of reports on Schmitz's attendance at "World Roller Skating Congress" meetings and a report of the "sus-pension" of the New Zealand Roller Skating Association (The Billboard, April 10) April 10).

Schmitz's letter, sent to The Bill-board for publication, reads: "Refer-ring to The Billboard of May 1, I can very well understand Mr. Fred Mar-tin's excitement over suspension of New Zealand by the Federation In-ternationale de Patinage a Roulettes, especially since the DSPOA's forme especially since the RSROA's forma-tion of a new 'world governing body' has so miserably failed, but I cannot understand why Mr. Martin blames this on me.

"For business reasons I went to "For business reasons I went to Europe, and while there I thought I would take advantage of the invita-tion extended to me by the Swiss delegates, at the time of the world meet in Washington, and visit the world roller hockey championships in Montreux. I even committed the 'unforgiveable sin' of attending one FIPR meeting, but Mr. Martin, I just staved for one hour because the enstayed for one hour because the en-tire convention is conducted in French, which was very boring to me as I do not speak the language.

"I was much more interested in the roller hockey which lasted five days with two sessions daily and, Mr. Mar-tin, this should interest you much more than New Zealand's suspension. Both sessions were sold out daily, and that was more interesting to me than New Zealand being suspended.

"You see, I am a business man, and I believe if you would pay more attention to the rink business instead of constantly worrying about the ama-teurs you might be better off, too."

Alex Eddy's Grundy Spot Kicks Off to Bang-Up Biz

GRUNDY, Va., May 1.—Excellent crowds are turning out for skating sessions at Amusement Park Skating Rink here, reports Alexander Eddy, who began his third season April 1 as operator. Eddy, who operated a portable for two years before enter-ing the service, reports shoe skate sales brisk and that patrons are mak-ing definite efforts to improve their skating. skating.

Patrons are also getting away from Patrons are also getting away from rough skating and are co-operating in games programs. Eddy has intro-duced roller hockey and already sev-eral teams are organized. The rink has been reconditioned and redeco-rated. Ralph Childress, Lawrence Bernard and Kent Sykes are floor managers and instructors. Fla. Youth Org Called New Biz Source for Ops

MIAMI, May 1.-Allied Youth clubs, installed in every high school in Dade County in February, are doing much to curb juvenile delinquency and at the same time have given roller rinks a hefty boost at the box office, reports Murray L. Rose, operator of Biscayne Roller Skating Palace here, who recently played host to a group from the local Ponce

host to a group from the local Ponce de Leon High School which has a club membership of 180. The Biscayne skating party re-sulted in heavy newspaper publicity for the club, one local paper print-ing a long story on the youth move-ment along with pictures of club members at the party. "I am sure this will help a lot of other rinks if they go after this type of business," said Rose in commenting on the clubs. "Fun," the article points out "is

said Rose in commenting on the clubs. "Fun," the article points out, "is the main objective in the newly or-ganized clubs . . . the clubs teach boys and girls how to have a good time without the use of alcoholic beverages . . organized and spon-sored in Dade County by Mrs. Charles M. Fisher, librarian of the profes-sional library for teachers, Allied Youth membership is growing by leaps and bounds. "These clubs have a strong appeal

leaps and bounds. "These clubs have a strong appeal for both boys and girls," the article continues. "They present a program based on utilizing a number of skills; they acquaint the students with their own communities; they aid them in developing qualities of leadership. Emphasis is placed on the teenagers" social life dances are planned social Emphasis is placed on the teenagers' social life; dances are planned, social meetings are held and skating parties such as the one given Thursday by the Ponce de Leon High School club are on these schedules. "In the en-thusiastic club at Ponce de Leon High School . . . Mrs. R. E. Johnston, head of the history department, is sponsor of the group, and Eloise Patterson, teacher of Spanish, is co-sponsor." There now are 28 Allied Youth

There now are 28 Allied Youth "posts" in the United States, one in Canada and one in Hawaii, the article reports. A national convention is held every summer in Atlantic City.

School Class at Ocean City

OCEAN CITY, N. Y., May 1.—A special skating class for high school students is offered each week in ad-dition to regular Saturday afternoon matinees at Playland Roller Rink here, officials report. Currently the rink is operating nightly except Sun-days. During its summer season, starting June 25 and extending thru Labor Day, the spot is open each aft-ernoon except Sundays. Door prizes are offered for all holiday parties and the program is varied to please all age groups. In addition to staging benefits for numerous charitable activities, the rink is host each week to a group of Sunday school children.



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Paterson Spot Is 13th Link In AOW Chain

ELIZABETH, N. J., May 1.—Ac-quisition of the roller rink known as Paterson Recreation Center, Paterson, Paterson Recreation Center, Paterson, N. J., by the America on Wheels chain of rinks was announced this week by W. Schmitz, AOW general manager, at his headquarters here. The rink had been operated by Dr. Louis M. Berliner. Schmitz said the Paterson rink will be closed during the summer for a complete renewation inb. It is sched-

complete renovation job. It is sched-uled to reopen September 8.

uled to reopen September 8. The latest link in the chain brings to 13 the number of AOW arenas op-erating or in the process of construc-tion. Rinks being built in Alexan-dria, Va., and Bladensburg, Md., are slated to begin operations in the fall. The line-up includes Twin City Arena here; St. Nicholas Arena, New York; Boulevard Arena, Bayonne, N. J.; Na-tional Arena, Washington; Hacken-sack (N. J.) Arena; Mount Vernon (N. Y.) Arena; Perth Amboy (N. J.) Arena; Capitol Arena, Trenton, N. J.; Casino Arena, Asbury Park, N. J., and Passaic (N. J.) Skating Rink.

"Rhythms" Draws Big House

CLEVELAND, May 1.—A capacity house took in *Roller Rhythms* of 1948, a recent show staged in Cleveland Rollercade for the benefit of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Asso-ciation of the United States, the polio fund and the local rink club. Tony Mayo, Rollercade pro, and Jack Dal-ton and Clarence and D. J. Reynolds, Operators, produced the two-and-aoperators, produced the two-and-a-half-hour presentation.

Caraway in 50G Damage Snit

BIRMINGHAM, May 1.—Gather V. Caraway, operator of Skateland Roller Rink here, has been named de-fendant in a \$50,000 damage suit in Circuit Court here. The suit was filed by the mother of a minor, who charges her daughter was injured in a fall which resulted from wearing rented skates which were not properly fitted.

MAJOR UPSETS

(Continued from opposite page) (Continued from opposite page) wicz. Intermediate men's speed, Arthur Wolz. Junior ladies' speed, Faye Simmons. Junior boys' speed, Walter Horn and Jimmie Sutton. Ju-venile girls' speed, Class A, Gloria Russ, and Class B, Beatrice Lans-down. Juvenile boys' speed, Class A, Jimmie Parker; Class B, John Mc-Cray, and Class C, Bruce E. Lackey Jr., and Pat Lipscomb.

A daughter, Cheryl Ann, was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. George Werner, instructors at Mineola (L. I.) Roller Rink.

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Salagian's Beginners' Sessions Feeding B. O. on Other Nights

CLAWSON, Mich., May 1.—A spe-cial program for beginners has not only turned Thursdays, usually the poorest night of the week, into a profitable night, but is building at-tendance for other nights and special classes at Ambassador Roller Rink here. The idea was conceived by John Salagian, owner-manager of the rink, who operates jointly with his wife. rink, wife.

The professional staff, headed by The professional staff, headed by John and Lucy Shook, are on hand Thursdays to demonstrate backward and forward skating, turning and general skating procedure to new-comers. Admission is the regular price and a full skating session is offered, but it is programed specific-ally for beginners. More advanced skaters, in accordance with estab-lished custom, usually come other nights. nights.

nights. Principally sought, according to Salagian, are not only those who have never skated, but inexperienced skaters or those who have been off skates for several years and find, when they try skating on a regular night, that the speed practiced in the average rink today is a bit frighten-ing. These skaters would normally drift away from the rink and forget skating, but this special night gives them a chance to gain confidence and learn more about the sport. Family trade, in particular, is no-

Family trade, in particular, is no-ticeable at these sessions, Salagian said. Probably the most common experience is for parents to bring their youngsters, who may have been casually interested in skating. An-other thing Salagian has noticed is other thing Salagian has noticed is that the parents attending these ses-sions are relatively young, and Sal-agian believes roller skating, with its low cost in comparison with other amusements, to be tailor made for these people. Frequently, he said, parents suggest that their children

Vikki Dougan Wins

N. Y. Queen Title

BROOKLYN, May 1.---Vikki Stap-

pers Dougan, 17, of Empire Roller-

drome here, won the 1948 New York

Skate Queen title Saturday (24) over

83 other finalists in the eighth annual contest sponsored by the Empire management and *The New* York

Runners-up were Phyllis Riggs, Bay Ridge Roller Rink, Brooklyn, and Muriel Heinlein, Hillside Roller-drome, Richmond Hill, L. I., N. Y.

The annual contests are open to

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take more advanced work in regular rink classes. "This type of business builds itself in the rink's community," Salagian commented. "If the operator can hold these beginners, instead of losing them, he will find that one beginner tells another and that business will grow These nights are now active grow. These nights are now active feeders for the other rink activities as the beginners go on to take more advanced work."

Tampans Score In RSROA Meet

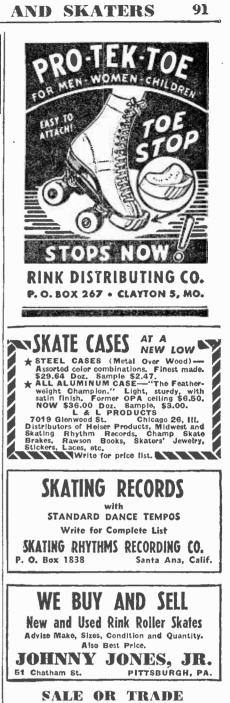
TAMPA, May 1.--Southern regional

TAMPA, May 1.—Southern regional competitions of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of the United States, held April 16-20 at Coliseum Roller Rink here, were the largest and best yet held in the South, according to Harry J. Warner, host operator to the contests. More than 90 contestants competed in all branches of the sport, with the hottest competition evident in the novice dance division in which 22 couples competed. Dona Mae Deni-son and Stanley Cole proved their dancing ability by taking first place to give Tampa one of its 12 divisional winners. Considered just as exciting was senior men's racing, won by Bob

winners. Considered just as exciting was senior men's racing, won by Bob Starkey, also of Tampa. Joan Pearce, who took first place in novice ladies' figures and inter-mediate racing, teamed with Pat Patten to place first in senior dancing and pairs skating. She also passed first, second and third figure tests and bigure tests in senior tests in and bronze and silver dance tests in one afternoon, believed to be a rec-ord. Monday (19) 100 proficiency tests were given, believed to be another record.

Among those attending the contests Among those attending the contests were Fred A. Martin, Detroit, RSROA secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Freeman, Bal-A-Roue Rollerway, Medford, Mass., and C. R. Reynolds, Cleveland Rollercade, who will be host to the RSROA nationals in July. During the meet Martin presented a gold dance medal to Pat Patten, who passed the test last year. Officials included Mrs. Gladys Sal-

singer, Detroit; Jerry Nolan, Indian-apolis; Paul Poettgen, St. Louis, and R. W. Gormley, Maywood, Ill.



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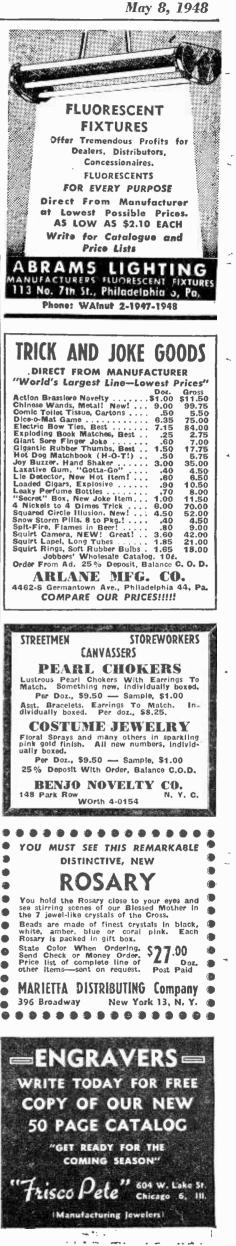




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Fancy Freddie says: "Knowledge is a pet aversion with altogether too many people in this world."

who spent the winter in Milwaukee, is planning to join a carnival soon with a grab stand.

a six-week stay in Milwaukee, Hal Eddy and Blake Sherwood have returned to Chicago.

We don't have time to find fault with others of our ilk. Just discussing and probing our own faults keeps us busy.

CLAYTON KENNY

as a jewelry layout knocking off good business in the F. W. Grand store, Milwaukee. Located right next to the door, spot gets plenty of pass-ers-by, with the result that takes are on the good side.

The fellow who continually cultivates his pitch is the one who generally hits the really great pitch.

THE DAHLMANS ...

Nathan and Dorothy, are touring the country for two months after which they will head for Chicago for the summer. Dorothy continues working summer. Dorothy her sequin set-up.

RUTH MANTEL . . . on sequins at the F. W. Grand store, Milwaukee, recently was married to John Andrews.

Why is it that when a four-flusher's bluff is called he's likely to squawk so loud he can be heard for a mile.

SUZANNE SCHEEDY . is working magic table plants at the F. W. Grand store, Milwaukee, re-placing Lucy Waggoner, who has re-turned to her home to nurse her ailing mother.

How many people do you know who got anywhere when they rested on the assump-tion that they were ever right and the whole world was in error?

is managing a photo supply depart-ment for a Walgreen Wisconsin Avenue store, Milwaukee, with Ann Dzisso as assistant manager.

Jerry the Jammer says: "The pitchman never was as phony as some of the radio programs we hear."

LADD THOMPSON . and Doc McClain, well-known pitch-men, have returned to Milwaukee,

where both are using their musical talents to make a living. They are with Billy Bishop's ork currently ap-pearing at the Schroeder Hotel. Ladd is playing a sax, with McClain on violin.

Prospective patrons go to a pitchman's demonstration to be amused and treated like some human beings. They resent being barked at and a worker who elects to get snippish with them is only hurting his own chances for success.

AMONG RECENT .

AMONG RECENT... visitors to Bea Louis's shampoo lay-out at the F. W. Grand store, Milwau-kee, were the Vonn brothers and Sam Sturm, who has opened a curler stand in the same store.

HORST TOETJER ... has been operating as a chef at Club 26, Milwaukee. Prior to a stint in Uncle Sam's navy, Horst pitched at a number of well-known spots in the Boar City Beer City.

It's highway time again for most citizens of the big towns. The pin-on tails, balloons. novely hats and caps and spinning birds still carry the same attraction that they have in other years. They are almost a certainty to make a fistful of do-re-mi for the alert hustler.

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DRESSING ROOM GOSSIP

Polack Bros.' Western

After 2,400 miles of mountainous terrain, flat plains and deserts so dry we didn't see water for hours at a time, we arrived in Sacramento. This despite a broken baggage car wheel, 16 flat tires, two burned-out fuel pumps, one burned-out generator, a badly dented trailer and several State patrolmen. Not bad for 20 motor units.

Visiting the Barnes Bros.' Show in Chicago before our departure were Louis Stern, Jack Klein, Massimil-ano Truzzi and Josephine Berosini.

On the Bailey Bros.' lot after our On the Bailey Bros.' lot after our arrival were Louis Stern, Justus Ed-wards, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Rison, Chai and Somay, Slivers and Jo Madison, Frenchy Durant, Don Dor-sey, Harry Dann, Dennis Stevens, Ed and Phoebe Raymond, the Barnes family, Rex Ronstrom with his wife who joined for the California en-gagements; Mrs. Dwight Moore and children, Louise and Bobby, and Niki Bell, who joined Mama and Papa Bell.

Augmenting the program for the Augmenting the program for the California engagements are Mabel Stark and her tigers and the Ward-'Bells' new diving act, the Acro-Cades. Preceding each evening performance is a colorful concert by the Ben Ali Shrine Concert Band and Chanters.

Dorothy Barnett has returned to her home in Los Angeles. Joey Leonard Pearson has replaced Mrs. Bar-pett in the program.

Chai and Somay Huang celebrated their ninth wedding anniversary at, of all places, a Chinese restaurant. Harry Dann's quest for new talent has ended with the purchase of a seven-day-old duckling, Daffy, greatly disturbing his old web-footed partner, is not a seven in the function of the formation of the forma Louie, who thinks the frying pan is in sight. Bobo Barnett has done it again. This time it's a Chrysler Crown Imperial. The second NPLSP Club's banquet and dance will be held in Oakland. A campaign is now in progress for the election of the club's new officers.

A little chivalry I believe only the writer noticed: Slivers Madison and Frenchy Durant, with the M-G-M elephants, while awaiting their cue to enter the building, noticed a blind woman's seeing-eye dog become very excited over the presence of the pachyderms. Without a moment's hesitation, Slivers marched his bulls to the far side of the street while Frenchy led the dog and his charge out of sight. out of sight.

Visitors included Mr. and Mrs



Dales Bros.

This new org, under tutelage of Mickey Dales and Dave and Deacon McIntosh, successfully opened the season at Union, S. C. Many of season at Union, S. C. Many of Union's leading citizens were on hand and floral bouquets were received from friends and civic clubs. Show carries 22 trucks painted and trimmed in red, silver and blue.

The Henderson Family and Mac McDonald's Wild Life Show were several days late, being delayed by the long trek from the West Coast. Mac's chimp, Michael, is the hit of the midway and a favorite with the butcher deportment butcher department.

Our lot in Jenkins, Ky., was in small valley surrounded by mountains.

Laugh of the week: Johnny Red Cap, of the prop department, hand-picked six strong boys to assist with the teardown. To be sure they'd be on hand, he gave them good seats for the night show. The towners de-cided the props looked a little heavy so with the final act they hot-footed it out the back door. Johnny made a gallant effort to retrieve his would-be helpers, and when last seen was still in hot pursuit, rounding the third ridge of Bear Mountain.

ridge of Bear Mountain. Tommy Bentley changed his rou-tine in London, Ky., by performing the foot slide on the bottom of the wire. Eddie Clark performed the Houdini vanishing act and has been replaced by Irving Romig and Peggy Henderson McDonald in the bar and trampoline acts trampoline acts.

New trailers have been added by Ir. and Mrs. Harry Boardman, Kid

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boardman, Kid Bruce and Jerry Pressley. Visitors have included Mr. and Mrs. Ted Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox, Jimmy DeForrest, Cherokee Bill, C. S. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Pressley and personnel from Rogers Bros. and King Bros.—GEORGE HUBLER.

Johnny Jordon, formerly the Jordon Johnny Jordon, formerly the Jordon Troupe, acrobats; Mr. and Mrs. John W. Barnett and Bobby, brother of Bobo, visiting Dennis Stevers; CFA Bert Martin, San Francisco, and CFA Merle Sprague, and Bernie Miller.— HAROLD BARNES.

Mills Bros.

Since opening the season in Circle-ville, O., April 17, the weather has been clear and warm and the lots have been smooth and grassy.

Ellen Knight sprained her ankle when she and Paul fell from their wire, and Charles Cathalis twisted his arm in the comedy acrobatic act. Both Ellen and Charlie continued to

work despite their injuries. The Columbus Citizen carried a full page story and pictorial review of this opera Sunday, April 18.

Orchids to Bert Wallace, eques-trian director; Charlie Brady, lot superintendent; Hard-Times Leonard, superintendent of transportation; Charlie Ali, boss property man, and all the others who have worked so hard We have an excellent cookhard. We have an excellent cook-house, thanks to Bill Boyd, chief steward.

Some of the folks on our show visited King Bros. org which was Sundaying 40 miles away in Hamilton. O.

Personal nomination for two of the most pleasant people on the show: Joe and Annette Dobas.

Recent visitors have included Dr. Recent visitors have included Dr. Charles W. Fisher, Jo Silverlake's father, "Hi-Brown Bobby" Burns, of the Cole advance; Mr. and Mrs. Forest and daughter; E. Don McCul-lough and Mr. and Mrs. Conover and family.-JONNIE MAE SNYDER AND VIRGINIA NOEL.

GIVE TY

Clyde Beatty

We are now passing thru the lettuce bowl of Salinas, Calif., and the fasbowl of Salinas, Calif., and the fas-cinating Steinbeck country of Monte-rey. Charlie Hildarra entertained his family and friends at Monterey. Everyone enjoyed the fish dinners on Fisherman's wharf. Spurred by the finding of gold recently in Monterey, the showfolks combed the lot and every forher belo in hones of a new every gopher hole in hopes of a new discovery. There was no luck, how-ever, not even on Daisy Hill.

Music floats thru the air all day long around the lot, with the variety playing by Mullins on the calliope, Joe Antelek on the violin, Laurence Cross on the trombone, Mark An-thony on the flute and numerous steel and electric guitars played by the grooms. The mixed choir of the dressing rooms adds its charge and volume to the back yard symphony.

The big mystery: Who hung the bell on Chita's neck?

Since Lillian Compton has stayed behind with her daughter, Myrtle, Eileen Marty has aided Mell Rennick with the wardrobe.

John Staley prepared a salad to top all salads. It's called the George Werner Special. Busy around the lot is Muncie Antelek, helping Max Tubis and the concessionaires out front, aiding the wardrobe in back and practicing trampoline between shows.

Congratulations to Ann Russell on her achievements and the queen of feathers extends best wishes to Henry Keyes.—DICK ANDERSON.



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SALESBOARD SIDELIGHTS

Empire Press, Chicago, reports strong demand for its recently issued catalog. Staffers say copies are going out at the rate of 10 to 20 each day via requests thru the mail and have been bundled out at this pace for the last 30 days. Joseph Zimmerman, firm head, was with Dave Rice when latter visited Pittsburgh last week. Dave will be back next week.

Gardner & Company, Chicago, finds its representatives and officials scattered to the far corners of the country this week. Charles Leedy, sales manager, who is covering the California territory this week, reports that business thruout the Pacific Northwest is encouraging, especially thru Oregon, Idaho and Montana. Maurie Kaye, assistant sales manager, is traveling thru Pennsylvania this week, and with Charles should be back in Chicago next week. John Rife, plugging the Middle West, is not expected back for two weeks. New Gardner releases during the past few weeks are hitting high acceptance, with the insert boards getting special attention.

Jerry Scanlan, Harlich Manufac-turing Company, Chicago, tells of the good job firm's new sales representa-

KING INVADES OHIO

(Continued from page 59) time trouper; John Robinson IV; Dr. william Huebener; Mom Patterson and son, Clyde (Duke); E. Walter Evans and Charles Wirth, of The Billboard, all of Cincinnati.

Program

Program Display 1—Parade of Gold, opening pageant with elaborate wardrobe and special music. Display 2—Prof. A. Morales and His Holly-wood Canines. Display 3—The Cristiani troupe. Display 5—Betty Biller, Ring 1; Sylvia Gregory, Ring 2; Lucillio Caudillo, Ring 3, Spanish web. Display 6—The Four Caudillo Sisters in Ring 2, Mexican acrobats and gymnastics. Display 6—The Four Caudillo Sisters in Ring 3, Mexican acrobats and gymnastics. Display 6—The Four Caudillo Sisters in Ring 4, Mexican acrobats and gymnastics. Display 7—Margie, baby performing elephant in Ring 1, and Susle Q, elephant, in Ring 3. Display 8—Clowns. Display 10—Sylvia Gregory, Eddie Hendricks and Betty Biller, wire act, Ring 1; Caudillo Sisters, wire act, Ring 3. Display 12—Teresa Morales in Ring 2, heel and toe catches. Display 13—Clowns. Display 13—Clowns. Display 13—Clowns. Display 13—Clows. Display 14—Pete Jenkins comes to the circus. A new version of how a rural boy makes good as a circus bareback rider, featuring Eddie Hendricks as the country boy and Charles Poplin as ringmaster; Ring 2 and hippodrome track.

Display 15---Mile. Gregorski, Ring 1; Florala Caudillo, Ring 2; Dolores Humphrey, Ring 3; swinging ladders. Display 16--Liberty horses, worked by

swinguis here Display 16-Liberty noise, Charles Poplin, Display 17-Adolphus Chamberty, hand

Display 17—Adolphus Chamberty, balance. Display 18—The Cristiani riding act, featur-ing Cosetta and Chita Cristiani. Display 19—Clowns. Display 20—The Chambertys, casting act. Display 21—Aerial ballet. Display 22—Elephants. Display 23—Clowns. Display 23—Clowns. Display 24—Cristiani acrobatic act in Ring 2.

Display 24-Cristiani acrobatic act in Ring 2. Display 25-Menage number in all three rings and specialty horses worked on hip-podrome track by Jewell Poplin, Betty Biller and Eddie Hendricks. Display 26-The Chambertys. Display 27-Clowns. Display 27-Clowns. Display 28-Indian spectacle for finale, fea-turing Chief Full Horse. Indian rider, with warriors, squaws and performing personnel; introducing Lucille Pierce, Indian prima donna of the white tops.

Side Show

Side Show Personnel of the side show, managed by Chester C. Gregory, follows: Paul Esquida, bell ringer; Phil Fulton, ac-cordionist; Lucy Arenz, snakes: Bernice Fair, electric chair; Grace Andrews, mentalist; Capt. Joe Cook, fighting lion; Tommy Arenz, magic and punch; Thelma Selph, Estella Pagola, Yolanda Pagola, dancing girls; Ben Absiam, flageolet player; Lawrence Pierce, knives; Raul Betancourt. musical. Minstrels—Jazzlips Richardson and Walter Merritt, comedians; band, Roscoe Thompson, W. H. Pierson, Prof. Brazley, trumpets; Glibert Scott, trombone; Selmer Brooks, saxophone; Willie Wilson, bass; Herby Shotwell, drums. Ticket sellers—Scott Hall, Paul Hall and Chester Gregory. Ticket takers—Frank Satiro and Murphy Evans.

tive, W. S. Rountree, is doing in his three-State territory. Rountree, head-quartered in Dallas, joined Harlich recently and has already rung up a good record. He covers Texas, New Mexico and Arizona good record. He covers lexas, New Mexico and Arizona. . . Irving Sax, Consolidated Manufacturing Com-pany's (Chicago) general sales manager, returned Friday (30) from his Eastern tour.

Harold Boex, Pioneer Manufactur-ing Company (Chicago) vice-president, was due back Monday (3) from his Southern jaunt, according to William Wollpert, sales manager. Boex has sent back reports that business is picking up. Irwin Secore, Secore & Se-core, Chicago, is taking off on a combined business-vacation trip this week. Irwin will drive thru Iowa and Nebraska... Peerless Products, Inc., Chicago, is keeping shipments going out at a steady pace and the production line clicking along at a satisfac-tory rate. Irv Padorr reports board business and outlook on a normal plane.



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See Need for **United Front**

Local opposition to confab noted as 400 ops vote '49 convention in Twin Cities

MINNEAPOLIS, May 1. — Faced with legal and internal problems, augmented by roaring floods that hit some parts of the territory and held some parts of the territory and held down attendance, more than 400 op-erators from Wisconsin, Minnesota and North and South Dakota con-verged on the Twin Cities early this week to attend the two-day North-west Regional convention Monday and Tuesday (26-27) at the Radisson Hotel. Adding to the over-all at-tendance were manufacturers, dis-tributors and jobbers from Chicago, Detroit, Wisconsin and the immediate vicinity, with the notable exception of three major distributing firms in this area, who had withdrawn their support several weeks ago due to the local situation. local situation.

The convention was held under the joint sponsorship of the Minnesota Amusement Games Association Amusement Games Association (MAGA), the Wisconsin Phonograph Operators' Association (WPOÅ), North Dakota Music Operators' As-sociation (NDMOA) and South Da-kota Phonograph Association (SDPA). Significantly marking the event as a success despite the numerous prob-lems encountered, the convention committee, following its meeting Tuesday afternoon, reported that the convention would be turned into an (See Four-State Meet on page 117)

Location Biz Hits Upswing, **Survey Shows**

Register Large Gains

WASHINGTON, May 1. -- Business took a general upswing in March for such coin machine locations as tav-erns, restaurants, drugstores and fill-ing stations, Commerce Department reported this week.

Gains over February receipts were spectacular for some trades in indi-vidual cities. Filling stations in Nor-folk and Jacksonville, Fla., reported increases of 27 per cent and 23 per cent, respectively. Eating and drink-ing places reported business increases of 14 per cent in Memphis and Bir-mingham, while Salt Lake City spots said business was up 13 per cent.

New England Up

In New England cities coin locations showed healthy business rises. Eating and drinking spots in Boston and Providence showed increases of 8 per cent, while New Haven and Hartford were up 6 per cent. Drug-(See LOCATION BIZ on page 116)

New York Council Considering Drastic Bill; Truce to May 19

the police department halted by agreement between lawyers repre-senting local distributors and city authorities, pending the outcome of a trial set for May 19, a drastic bill seeking to make the mere possession of pinball games illegal was introduced in the city council Friday afternoon (30).

Introduced by Joseph T. Sharkey, vice-chairman of the council, the bill would amend the city's administrative code to make persons found possessing pin and certain other unspecified games guilty of misdemeanors and subject to fines or imprisonment or both.

Altho city authorities were pushing for fast action, industry leaders point-ed out that no vote could be taken by the council until an open hearing on the bill is held. At that time, they said, evidence would be presented to the city legislators showing that games operated here were specially (See New York Council on page 116)

NEW YORK, May 1.—With further built or adapted to conform with New seizures of coin-operated games by York law. It was recalled that police the police department halted by officials themselves had previously York law. It was recalled that police officials themselves had previously been quoted as saying that games on location here were not easily adapt-

able for gambling purposes. Since the exact provisions of the bill were not disclosed this week and will not be revealed until the bill bewill not be revealed until the bill be-comes available in printed form some-time next week, the full nature of the evidence coinmen will present to combat the measure could not be fully determined. However, it was known that passage of the bill is being pressed on allegations that undesir-able elements occupy key positions in the coin amusement game industry. Industry spokesmen said these un-supported charges would not stand up in open hearing. in open hearing. The introduction of the bill cli-

CMI Protests **To Wallander** -**On Statement**

Gottlieb Wires New York

CHICAGO, May 1.—Strong protest against New York Police Commis-sioner Arthur Wallander's statements concerning the coin machine industry (*The Billboard*, May 1) were regis-tered here this week by Dave Gott-lieb. Speaking in his capacity as president of Coin Machine Industries, Inc., Gottlieb wired Wallander, de-claring that the commissioner's state-ment that 25 per cent of the industry ment that 25 per cent of the industry have criminal records is a "vicious and malicious falsehood."

The Gottlieb wire was released while the industry at large waits for the outcome of a court test set for May 19 before Supreme Court Justice Julius Miller. Court action will test the legality of the seizure of pin games by New York officials. (For a complete account of the New York games situation see story elsewhere games situation, see story elsewhere on this page.)

Quote Wire

Gottlieb's wire to Wallander fol-

lows: "Coin Machine Industries, Inc., of president is president which the undersigned is president, or protests the high-handed seizure by the New York Police Department of 1,801 pinball games which, under New York law, are legal amusement games.

"Coin Machine Industries, Inc., includes manufacturers of amusement games, which are chiefly made in the (See CMI PROTESTS on page 130)

CMI Pledges To Remain In Fight Against Cancer

CHICAGO, May 1.—Coin Machine Industries (CMI) board of directors has voted unanimously to continue backing the fight against cancer, Dave Gottlieb, CMI president, has an-nounced. Contributions from the na-tion's coinmen will go to the Damon Runyon Memorial Cancer Fund for allocation with the co-operation of the American Cancer Society. Gottlieb disclosed that Ray Mo-

the American Cancer Society. Gottlieb disclosed that Ray Mo-loney, national chairman for the first CMI cancer campaign, has been appointed to serve in a similar ca-pacity in the current fund drive. Other important appointments will follow later.

During the 1947 drive, which ended with the CMI show here in January,

Rail Strike

WASHINGTON, May 1.-Coin WASHINGTON, May 1.—Coin machine industry faces a rail freight "blackout" if the threat-ened May 11 strike goes thru. A Department of Justice spokes-man said that "emergency train crews" are likely to be author-ized by organized labor in the event the strike but these crews ized by organized labor in the event the strike, but these crews would be used to carry medical and other critical supplies only. As *The Billboard* went to press this week, mediation meetings were being held in Chicago in an attempt to reach a settlement prior to the strike date. Govern-ment officials here stated the only hope for cancellation of the only hope for cancellation of the strike was in the successful outcome of those meetings. Presi-dent Truman emphasized this in his regular news conference held this week.

coinmen thruout the nations contri-buted a total of \$250,000 to further research efforts. The sum was raised by means of benefit banquets, stage shows, by operators contributing a portion of their revenue as well as thru registration fees resulting from the CML convention. When the thru registration fees resulting from the CMI convention. When the campaign ended Walter Winchell, na-tional chairman for the Runyon fund, announced over a nationwide net-work that the contribution made by coinmen thru CMI represented the largest donation by any single in-dustry. On Sunday (25) Winchell announced that CMI had notified him that the association would remain in the cancer battle at least thru 1948. In opening the new drive, Gottlieb

In opening the new drive, Gottlieb said: "Cancer is mankind's most dreaded disease. It must be con-quered. The nation's coinmen are grateful for this second opportunity to have a part in the war against pain."

Maritime Operators Plagued With High **Taxes Seek Relief**

ST. JOHN, N. B., May 1.—Point-ing up that present high fees on both amusement and music machines were established as an emergency measure during the war years, operators thru-

out the maritime provinces have be-gun a drive to seek fee reductions. Thus far operators have argued that there is much less money in circulation in the dominion compared with the war years, and also that servicemen, who were among the top coin machine patrons, are virtually non-existent. The operators also (See MARITIME OPS on page 116)

Ops Hard Hit By Floods in Minn., Dakotas

Effects 4-State Attendance

AITKIN, Minn., May 1.—Fast-rising waters, threatening the entire Red River Valley, roared to flood status here this week, with State and federal governments rushing to give aid. De-clared a disaster area by President Harry S. Truman early in the week, assistance was being rushed have by Aarry S. Iruman early in the week, assistance was being rushed here by the State and by the Federal Works Agency, with Aitkin, Valley City and Pembina, N. D.; St. Vincent, Minn., and Emerson, Man., in Canada, still reported as being "in danger" late in the week

the week. Along with all other facets of busi-Along with all other facets of busi-ness, coin machine operators were hard hit in the flood areas. Many operators in North Dakota, planning to attend the four-States meeting in Minneapolis early this week, were unable to leave because of the floods. Operators covering the northern part of the territory reported that 18 (See Minn., Dakota Ops on page 128)

Purchase Tax on Coin Equipment

LONDON, May 1.—Coin-operated equipment, delivered by registered manufacturers and wholesalers to unregistered customers after April 9. will be subject to a lower purchase tax rate as a result of the new British budget announced last month by Sir Stafford Cripps, chancellor of the exchequer.

Until now, most coin-operated ma-chines have been subject to a 50 per cent purchase tax. The new rate is

331/3 per cent. Because of the high price of equip-ment on the manufacturers' level Because of the high price of equip-ment on the manufacturers' level, British coinmen were hopeful that they could effect a substantial re-duction in the tax or perhaps do away with it completely. The de-crease in the tax rate, not as sub-stantial as the coin trade here hoped it would be, is not expected to have any appreciable effect on buying. Meantime, distributors and jobbers

any appreciable effect on buying. Meantime, distributors and jobbers of equipment are relying principally on reconditioned equipment and a limited amount of new games being produced by British manufacturers. Because of high duty rates, British firms have not been able to capitalize on exports on exports.

Coin Pool Table Makes Debut in **Detroit Market**

DETROIT, May 1 .- A new coin-DETROIT, May 1.—A new coin-operated pool table is being placed on the market locally, with ultimate national distribution planned, by the new Pool-O-Game Company, headed by Joseph Emerick; of Wayne, Mich. Emerick has show-business back-ground, as owner of the Merry Circle Tavern on Ecorse Road in Wayne, where he operates a dine and dance policy. He is also able to use his own spot which is unusually large as a spot, which is unusually large, as a testing location for amusement games.

The Pool-O-Game is already in production and a number are on lo-cation in Detroit and suburbs. It is

cation in Detroit and suburos. It is of heavier-than-average construction for this type of game, and is said to have a number of new features. Emerick is opening offices this week in the Lawyers Building in downtown Detroit, as headquarters for the company and will appoint a for the company, and will appoint a full-time staff to handle operations at that time. The company is look-ing for a new factory site in order to get a substantial volume of pro-duction out by early summer.

Dept. Store Sales Up 6% Over Nation

WASHINGTON, May 1.—The Fed-eral Reserve Board reported this week that department store sales across the nation increased 8 per cent in the week ending April 17, and ranged from a minimum of 1 per cent to a high of 11 per cent in increases for the year to that date. Such sales are considered a general business barom-eter for the nation

considered a general business barom-eter for the nation. Cities reporting department store sales increases of 1 per cent up to April 17 are Boston and New York; high of 11 per cent was recorded by Dallas. Sales increase of 8 per cent was chalked up by stores in Cleve-land, Atlanta, St. Louis, and Kansas City, Mo. Registering a 9 per cent rise was Philadelphia. Chicago re-ported a 7 per cent boost; Minne-apolis, 6 per cent. Average increase for the year, for all cities, was 6 per cent. cent.

British To Cut Meyer, Exhibit's New York Games Campaign Founder, Recovers **Closes Mechanics' School**

CHICAGO, May 1.—Frank Meyer, president and founder of Exhibit Supply Company, has sufficiently re-covered from his recent ailment to take a fully active part in the run-ning of the firm's business, Joe Batten, Exhibit general manager, dis-closed this week, following an ex-tended visit at Meyer's Pasadena, Calif,. home.

Meyer, who organized the firm in 1901, is in constant touch with West Coast coinmen, seeking new ideas and watching new trends and develop-ments, Batten stated. Exhibit's presi-dent is also in regular contact with the daily developments at Exhibit's Chiaogo headquarters thru telenhone Chicago headquarters thru telephone, wire and mail channels. To carry on his correspondence and execute his duties as Exhibit president. Meyer maintains a well-appointed office and full-time secretary right in his Pasadena quarters, Batten disclosed.

pinball machines from almost every good location in Boston and hitting

at the \$40,000 anticipated by the city

as its annual revenue for pins and other coin machine licenses was is-

sued by the Boston Licensing Board last week.

ting the jump on Mayor Curley and city council by ordering police to ban

pinball machines in approximately

5,000 licensed establishments thruout

Previous Action

On April 12 city council passed a new ordinance imposing a \$30 an-

nual fee on each pinball machine in public places and a \$12 annual fee

Mayor Curley, signing the newly en-acted ordinance, named Charles H.

McGlue, to administer these licenses

der dealt a crushing blow to opera-tors who had been lining up owners

ors who had been liming up owners of more than 1,500 taverns for in-stallations. The only places appar-ently open to operators are those out of the jurisdiction of the licensing board, such as barber shops, shoe-shine parlors and grocery stores.

The edict, 4,500 copies of which were sent out to police and to estab-lishments holding licenses under its control, over the signatures of Mary

The licensing board's sweeping or-

The unexpected move found the board, a State appointed agency, get-

BOSTON, May 1.-

the city.

at \$4,000 a year.

Boston Licensing Board

-An edict barring

Rules Against Pinballs

Licensing Board, reads:

NEW YORK, May 1.—The far-reaching campaign of city authorities against pinball and roll-down games and the resultant unfavorable publicity on the entire amusement game licity on the entire amusement game industry, brought about the suspen-sion of the coin mechanics' course, held at the Manhattan Trades Center and sponsored by the National As-sociation of Automatic Machine Owners (NAAMO), F. McKim Smith, president, charged this week.

The course, which graduated its second class last week, was operated by the Veterans' Training Program of the New York City Board of Eduof the New York City Board of Edu-cation. Altho two more classes were scheduled to begin sessions, an order by Superintendent of Schools Dr. William Jansen, removed the course from the curriculum of the school. Being a public institution, NAAMO was told, the school is governed by public engine public opinion.

"The licensing board for the City of Boston desires to call to the attention

of its licensee to its ruling that any innholder, common victualer, or per-

son owning, managing or controlling a cafe, restaurant, or other eating or

drinking establishment will not be permitted to have on the premises in

which their business is conducted, any slot machine or other device

which furnishes anything other than

merchandise of a quantity or quality commensurate with the price de-posited therein, except such a ma-chine the use of which, the licensing

board has specifically authorized.

"Failure to comply may result in the suspension or revocation of your license."

This seemingly would bar the pin-

ball and automatic amusement de-vices from all Boston variety stores,

food shops, bars, cafes, hotels, room-ing houses, clubs, bowling alleys, and

other establishments holding any sort

of license issued by the licensing

Halts Operations Had the city ordinance been al-lowed to become operative, the may-or's office would have controlled the

licensing of pinball machines in about 1,500 taverns, 1,800° variety stores where soft drink and fruit licenses are required, and about 1,500 licensed restaurants. Regulations of both the

licensing board and the State alco-holic beverages control commission

Commenting on the action of the board of education, Smith said, "It is to be regretted that the veterans, many of them partly disabled, are now deprived of an opportunity to learn a good trade in an honorable business merely because of unfav-orable public opinion regarding pin games. Over 400 applications from veterans in all parts of the country.

games. Over 400 applications from veterans in all parts of the country, anxious to become coin machine me-chanics, are still on file." Smith pointed out that the veterans were taught on machines "legalized in every State of the union." The curriculum of the course was limited to arcade-type amusement games, venders juke hores and service mavenders, juke boxes and service machines.

It was recalled by Smith that the NAAMO-sponsored mechanics' course had been highly praised by leading public figures. General Omar Brad-ley, chief of staff of the army, per-sonally endorsed the mechanics' school while head of the Veterans'

school while head of the Mechanics' school while head of the Veterans' Administration. Smith stated that Gov. Thomas E. Dewey and Sen. Homer E. Capehart and many other school, Veterans' Administration and public officials had personally en-dorsed the course. Meanwhile, Smith released the names of the graduates of the final course, who, he said, would shortly be absorbed by the industry. The graduates are Herman J. Appel, Samuel B. Friedman, Sey-mour Shafit, Pierre Laurent, Milton Abramowitz, Alfonso Dicaro, Clar-ence Anderson, Joseph Spadaro, Har-ry Brenner, Seymour Levine, Ste-phen Kane, Milton Mornick, Thomas Cutrera, Wilfred Kramwinkel, Her-bert Borenstein, Norbert Rosenblum and Alvin Frey.

O. D. Jennings **Begins Output On 2 Consoles**

CHICAGO, May 1.-O. D. Jennings & Company is in production on two new model bell consoles, J. Raymond Bacon, firm vice-president, said this week.

week. Actually, both consoles are the same, Bacon stated, but shipments made to Western States will bear the name Prospector, while deliveries made to Eastern coinmen will be designated as Monte Carlo models. Except for this difference in name, both models are identical. New consoles are available in nickel, dime, quarter, half-dollar and dollar models, will be marketed under the catch line "drawer full of silver," referring to the drawer towards the base of the machine that holds 1,000 coins.

coins.

Bacon said that first deliveries on the new Jennings products are now in progress.

Calendar for Coinmen

E. Driscoll, chairman; Frank L. Brier holic beverages control commission and Walter R. Meins, of the Boston *(See Boston Licensing on page 128)*

-National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA), Regions III and A (Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey, Pennsylvania), Mayflower Hotel, Washington. Neill Mitchell, chairman Region A, Aaron Goldman, chairman Region III. May 16—North Dakota Music Operators' Association (NDMOA),

board.

annual meeting, Fargo, N. D. May 23-27—Super Market Institute (SMI), Stevens Hotel, Chi-

cago. June 13-19-National Dairy Council (NDC), convention, Edge-

June 13-19—National Dairy Council (NDC), convention, Edge-water Beach Hotel, Chicago. June 14-17—National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM), convention, Palmer House, Chicago. June 14-16—National Candy Wholesalers' Association, Inc. (NCWA), convention and exposition, Sherman Hotel, Chicago. June 14-17—Radio Manufacturers' Association (RMA), conven-tion and exposition, Stevens Hotel, Chicago. June 28-30—National Small Business Men's Association (NSBMA), convention, Palmer House, Chicago.

Initial Allite Shipments Made

LOS ANGELES, May 1.-First ma-LOS ANGELES, May 1.—First ma-chines of the limited monthly quota of the Allite bowling game, the auto-matic pinsetting and scoring game, are to be shipped from the factory here this week, a spokesman for the reorganized Allite Manufacturing Company said.

Shipments for the East will be made later this month, according to a program of production that has been The set by the company's officials. new and improved game is being put on location here and the manufacturers have reported the initial tests successful.

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Dime Price on Drinks Spreads Held Questionable Answer **To High Operating Costs**

Many operators believe co-operative purchasing of supplies, larger capacity venders, or $7\frac{1}{2}$ -cent coin would prove more logical solution to profitable biz

CHICAGO, May 1.—The 10-cent price on soft drink cup and bottle venders is becoming more and more common on machines in the Philadel-phia, Los Angeles, Chicago, and to lesser extent, the New York areas, a survey by The Billboard this week phia, Los Angeles, Chicago, and to lesser extent, the New York areas, a survey by *The Billboard* this week revealed. However, in many quar-ters, it is believed that the dime price is not the answer to operators' risis not the answer to operators' ris-ing servicing, labor and merchandise cost; instead, the better move was thought to be the co-operative pur-chasing of supplies, introduction of a new 7½-cent coin or increasing the capacity of venders (especially cup machines) so as to reduce service colle calls.

The 100 per cent jump in price of the vended soft drink is considered out of line by many operators who, nevertheless, feel that they must either resort to the increase or go out of business. The 5-cent price, at

Victor Debuts Custom Built Bulk Venders

CHICAGO, May 1. — Victor Vend-ing Corporation is in full production on its custom-built Universal bulk vender, H. M. Schaef, firm president, has announced.

Constructed of a durable metal fin-ished in red and black baked enamel ished in red and black baked enamel and trimmed with chrome, new vend-er has a variable capacity of 5 to 7 pounds of bulk merchandise or 1,000 to 1,400 balls of gum. New Victor product can also handle peanuts, mixed nuts, pistachios, almonds, can-dies and charms. For conversion to various types of bulk merchandise, Schaef states, no additional parts are necessary. With the addition of a special adaptor, vender can deliver two balls of gum for a penny. Other features of the new automatic bulk merchandiser are its newly de

Other features of the new automatic bulk merchandiser are its newly de-signed globe, which is larger and is adaptable to other Victor venders, in-cluding the Topper and Model V, and its high pressure injection-molded, non-corrosive merchandise vending wheel.

Dime Cigarettes?

WASHINGTON, May 1.-The WASHINGTON, May 1.—The 10-cent pack of cigarettes, an early casualty in the late war, may be on its way back. This was suggested when the Treas-ury, in a routine study of to-bacco taxes last week, implied to Congress that it might ease upon the low-priced brands, but made no specific recommen-dations. dations.

The economy brands were swept into the general price hike trend when the 1942 tax law, boosting the levy on each pack of cigarettes from 6½ cents to 7 cents, was passed. Thus operators with a predominantly factory location route have not at-tempted to meet advancing expenses with a price hike.

Ford Gum To Revise Its Texas Contracts; Penalized \$10,000

AUSTIN, Tex., May 1.—In a series of civil suits filed by Attorney Gen-eral Price Daniel, the Ford Gum & Machine Company, Inc., Lockport, N. Y., has promised to revise its Texas operating contracts and pay a \$10,000 penalty on on installment plan for penalty on an installment plan for past violations of Texas law.

The attorney general filed civil suit against Ford in January, contend-ing that the Ford Company had violated anti-trust law which outlaws "combinations, agreements, conspiracies, acts, conduct and practices in restraint of trade." The suit was one of a series being filed by Daniel in gasoline, milk, bread and other fields.

Evidence for the suit was obtained The newly organized Automatic Cup Dispensers' Association (ACDA), with headquarters in New York, is (See 10-CENT PRICE on page 113) | peace by Daniel investigators to testi-

fy as to the contracts under which they bought machines.

The inquiry disclosed that the contracts were agreements that the oper-ators would operate only in certain counties, that they would vend only Ford gum and that they would not sell the machines without Ford Com-pany's written permission. All three points were held to be violations of law.

The State took action against both Ford and five operators. The opera-tors, however, were not fined on their plea in abatement that they had been required by the court of inquiry to give evidence against themselves. The operators were Ben Leon Rauch, Fort Worth; John S. Horn, Abilene; Earl T. Wilkinson, Tyler; H. Leon Wilkinson, Vernon, and G. O. Paudler,

Crosbyton. District Judge J. Harris Gardner heard the case without a jury and held that the State was correct in demanding a \$10,000 penalty.

Minimum Penalty

Minimum Penalty Amount of the penalty was reached under a Texas statute which provides for penalties ranging from \$50 to \$1,500 for each day of violation. The illegal contracts dated back to 1934 but most were more recent. The minimum penalty was levied. Ogden K. Shannon, Fort Worth at-torney, represented Ford Gum & Ma-chine Company, agreed not to appeal the decision to higher courts if the firm would be permitted to pay the penalty on the installment plan. The Ford Company has agreed to

The Ford Company has agreed to (See FORD GUM on page 112)

WVMOA Meeting Mulls Co-Op Buying; J. E. Cluett Speaker

J. L. CHIELE Speaker LOS ANGELES, May 1.—J. E. Cluett, president of the Los Angeles Stamp Machine Operators' Associa-tion, was the guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting of the Western Vending Machine Operators' Association (WVMOA) Tuesday night (27). He outlined the work of his group, which includes all the operators here except two, and told of contracting city officials in an effort to get licenses on machines reduced. reduced.

reduced. The Stamp Operators' Association has been successful in ironing out difficulties relative to its machines, Cluett said. It has worked a system of swapping locations to cut down route coverage and has also been able to control location jumping and the payment of excessive com-missions and bonuses.

missions and pointies. Co-Operative Buying M. I. Slater, WVMOA president, conducted the meeting, which was highlighted by a round-table discussion of co-operative buying. Cluett told how his organization had bought stamp folders co-operatively to save money. No definite plans were formulated by the general vending association for buying in this manner.

Russ Darbo, blind operator of pop corn, candy and coke machines, at-tended as a guest of the president. Stan Rousso, Stoner representative, offered to contact an association of blind operators to secure information on their particular problem for Darbo.

Square Manufacturing Co. Readies 2,000-Cup Machine

CHICAGO, May 1.--- A 2,000-cup, two-flavor soft drink vender is being readied for location-testing within the next four to six weeks by Square Manufacturing Company here, ac-cording to Max Rosenbaum, presi-dent of the firm and also head of United Reverse cur verder operate United Beverage, cup vender operating company.

Rosenbaum said that the large-capacity vender is intended to re-duce servicing and maintenance costs to the point where continued nickel operation may be found feasible.

Leslie Arnett, Square official and engineer, told The Billboard this week that the first run of 100 2,000-drink machines had started. First six of these, he declared, would be placed on test in United's larger theater lobby locations. Another new ma-chine, a single flavor 1,000-cup unit, is in the blue-print stage, and will not be put into production for some time,

Arnett declared. Both the 2,000 and the 1,000-cup venders will be housed in the cabi-nets currently being used for the firm's 800-cup, two-flavor machines. This would accomplish two purposes, Arnett said, maintain the present customer and location-approved theatersize machine (thus eliminating a too large, bulky model) and permit a more economical and swifter assem-bly and manufacturing set-up. Dimensions of the 800-cup unit are 78 inches high by 38 inches wide. Only design change may be in the vend-ing face of the new units.

Because of the desire to use the same cabinet, the enlarged sirup tanks and cup rack assembly were tanks and cup rack assembly were so designed and fitted as to permit installation in the present size ma-chine. New 2,000-cup machine will have two 10-gallon sirup tanks in-stead of the two five-gallon tanks used in the 800-cup unit. The cup dispensing and storage mechanism, of the two-column stationary type in of the two-column, stationary type in the firm's 800 and 250-cup single flavor venders, will be changed to the 10-column, revolving unit patented by Dixie Cup Company and manu-factured by Johnson Fare Box, Chicago. Each column will contain 100 cups.

Upon completion of location testing of the 2,000 double and 1,000 single flavor venders, Square Manufactur-ing Company may discontinue production on the single flavor, 250-cup machine, Arnett revealed. The 800-cup unit, however, may be retained as "there would always be some thea-ters where this size machine would be more practical than larger sizes," he said.

Neither the 2,000 or 1,000 cup mod-Neither the 2,000 or 1,000 cup mod-els will be made available to the general trade, Arnett declared, but will be operated by United Beverage. United operations, restricted to thea-ter lobbies, are in Chicago, in addi-tion to affiliated companies in Phila-delphia, Dallas and Newark, N. J. As in the case of the 800-cup ma-chine, the 2,000-cup unit will be able to dispense drinks to two patrons at a

to dispense drinks to two patrons at a time, as it will retain separate delivery faucets and coin chutes. Each 10-gallon sirup tank will vend 1,000 6½-ounce drinks of each flavor.

Cab Firm Praises Vending Machines

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1.-Yellow Cab Company here, in its Ellis Street garage, has "about every kind of vending machine built," according to the division manager Larry Pries. John W. Pettit, general manager of the company, adds that the "vending machine set-up has built morale and good fellowship" among the employees.

As company's percentage of vender sales goes to an employees' benevo-lent fund, the firm officials state that their workers are thus offered a sys-tem whereby when they spend their money for vender items they are actually holding onto a substantial per-centage of it thru benefits received thru the fund.

At present, the vending operation is returning \$1,200 a year to the fund,

Included in the battery of venders are hot coffee, soft drink, candy, ciga-rette, nut and gum venders.

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VEW YORK, May 1.—To improve service offered by apartment use automatic laundry operators, Affiliated Washing Machine Op-tors' Association (AWMOA) this ek launched an exhaustive survey vering important phases of wash-machine operation in twice lo machine operation in typical lo-

ions thruout the city.

ions thruout the city. A woman, retained by the associa-n, will visit locations where wash-are installed and critically ex-ine the service offered from the nt of view of the housewife custo-r. Results of the survey and rec-nendations based on facts gathered 1 then be made available to 'MOA members, according to Al-t I. Gorner, public relations di-tor.

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tor. b enhance the value of the survey, researcher will confine her in-tigation to factors affecting the rs' convenience. Operators' prob-is, as such, will not come within limits of her job, and special at-tion will be paid such factors as ficient light, sanitary conditions l other facilities making for com-. of machine users.

Locations Examined

t was pointed out that many op-tors find that small improvements location atmosphere often result marked increase in consumer use. ; most operators haven't the time examine their locations critically. as Gorner remarked, they are

m unable to place themselves in position of the users of the serv-The current survey, the first in a gradually expanding educa-ial service the association will of-members, will be of particular of the such appendices. Corners hefit to such operators, Gorner med.

ince many members operate self-vice laundry stores, the survey i include such establishments. No e limit for completion of the pro-m has been set. It will continue il sufficient data is collected, Gorstated.

eanut Production Hits 4-Year High

VASHINGTON, May 1. — Peanut plies in the U. S., as of February were at the highest level since ie date in 1944, reaching 917,000,-pounds, according to a recent re-t of the Bureau of Agricultural nomics. iring the month of February, a

ring the month of February, a Al of 190,000,000 pounds of farmers' is peanuts were cleaned and lled, the largest quantity channeled this purpose during any February record, the bureau stated. Per-tage of shelled peanuts going into nut butter during February was per cent of total processed; 13 per of this peanut butter was used candy. A drop in crushed peanuts s noted, cause being chalked up the drop in oil prices during the nth. nth

'otal production of shelled peanuts September, 1947, to February, 8, was 412,000,000 pounds, or some 90,000 pounds under the same -month period a year earlier.

hutter Gets Radio Award

ST. LOUIS, May 1. — The Amer-n Schools and Colleges Association given its 1947 Radio Award to Schutter Candy Division of the reresal Match Corporation for its msorship of David Harding, Coun-spy, series heard over the Amer-n Broadcasting Company network ndays. Featured in the commer-ls of the radio show are two of the n's candy products, Old Nick and -O-Honey bars.

By **Dallas** Firm DALLAS, May 1 .- Multiple Products Corporation has announced that ucts Corporation has announced that it is in production on Polar Pete, a snow cone machine. Firm is a sub-sidiary of Auto-Vend, Inc., makers of the 'Pop' Corn Sez popcorn venders. Machine contains a patented ice shaver which is capable of producing over 250 pounds of "snow" per hour. Its dimensions are 30 inches wide by

Its dimensions are 30 inches wide by 20 inches deep by 60 inches high. Machines are made of aluminum and stainless steel cabinets, and are portable.

According to the producers of the machine, this is the first time that one self-contained unit supplying sirup from plexiglas dispensers and fully equipped for cup storage, drainage and waste facilities, ice storage working surface and other essentials for complete preparation of **snow** cones has been manufactured.

Sperry Re-Intros Two Hot Weather Bars for Venders

MILWAUKEE May 1.—With the return of adequate supplies for candy production, Sperry Candy Company here has announced the re-introduc-tion of two quality candy bars, Straight 8 and Snow Maid, which the firm believes will build and hold a strong following on the part of candy strong following on the part of candy vender customers and also over-thecounter sales, especially during the summer.

Straight 8 is a vanilla nougat bar filled with roasted peanuts. Large in size, the Sperry product is wrapped in cool-looking glassine. New design on the wrapper features the name

on the wrapper features the name Straight 8 in large type. Snow Maid has a chocolate fudge center with a coating of whipped marshmallow, frosted with a coat of shredded coconut. Its cellophane wrapper stresses eye appeal and is printed in two shades of ice blue flecked with snow flakes. Sperry officials state that both bars should go a long way toward help-

should go a long way toward help-ing candy vender operators solve the hot weather candy problem.

Confectionery Firms Ease Peanut Demand

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Demand for peanuts by confectionery manu-facturers in the chief markets is run-ning very light, Agriculture Depart-ment reported this week. The situa-tion in New York, Baltimore, San Francisco, Chicago and Cincinnati during the past seven days was characterized by Agriculture as "de-mand, slight; market, dull." Prices for the jumbo Virginias from 23 cents a pound in New York to 19³/₄ cents in Cincinnati. Spanish peanuts brought a high of 19 cents in New York and Baltimore and a low of 17¹/₄ cents in Cincinnati. Meanwhile, dry weather is hamper-ing peanut planting in Texas and WASHINGTON, May 1.-Demand

ing peanut planting in Texas and Oklahoma, altho Georgia and Florida growers are actively planting with a consequence heavy demand for seed. In North Carolina and Virginia, heavy planting will get under way in the next few weeks, Agriculture said.

RALEIGH, N. C.. May 1.—Secre-tary of State here has issued a charter to Kleen-Kwik, Inc., of Gas-tonia, to operate automatic laundry machines. Authorized capital stock is \$300 to \$100.000, with \$300 stock subscribed to by R. E. Bradley, Iva Styers, and L. B. Howell.

Snow Cone Mch. Candy Op Hopes To Beat Heat With Trucks Cooled by Dry Ice

> Rose, head of Robot Sales here, is preparing to meet the summer heat problem in candy vending by installing specially constructed dry-ice cooling apparatus in each of his route trucks. Believing that the biggest heat-headache revolves about the heat-headache revolves about the stockroom-to-location haul via truck, Rose not only uses well insulated merchandise compartments but re-cently drew up the specifications for the dry ice cooling equipment which is to be produced soon by a local manufacturer.

> "While most of the strictly chocolate bars are written off during the hotter months, we are compelled to stock a few of the top pulling names regardless of the temperature," Rose says. It is for such merchandise, in addition to added heat protection for the harder forms of bar and package goods, that special precaution must be taken. While many of his industrial locations are air-conditioned, and therefore provide their own answer to hot weather vender operadegree bracket when July and Au-gust rolls around. It is the latter that make careful summer stocking of machines a necessity and make re-frigerated transportation a must.

MAYWOOD, Ill., May 1 .-- Perry | plant cannot be held in a machine for any length of time.

Cooling apparatus Rose has specified for his route trucks, in contrast to that used in the larger trucks employed in his wholesale candy business, is smaller and designated as a "vender route truck unit." Made up of a standard electric motor, and blower, the dry ice tray is reduced in size; entire unit measures 23 inches long, 10 inches high and 11 inches wide. Rose plans installation in the rear, center, at ceiling height in his route trucks. This is possible because he employs front entrance, cab-over-engine trucks cab-over-engine trucks.

Cooling apparatus can be either manually or automatically controlled so as to prevent truck interior be-coming too chilled. Latter condition causes chocolate coating to turn white when placed in vender at normal summer temperature.

Another summer candy vender business booster Rose has inaugu-rated is the placing of packaged pea-nuts in larger quantities in all ma-chines adjacent to soft drink venders. When the sale of chocolate bars falls off in hot months, placement of peanuts in those compartments means increased sales, particularly if ma-chine has soft drink vender as a Warm bars brought into a warmer companion unit.



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Automatic Cup Dispensers' Assn.

Considers Co-Operative Buying

chasing of supplies to offset high costs received serious consideration at a meeting of the Automatic Cup Dis-pensers' Association (ACDA) this week. Members of the group, in a monthly get-together at the Gram-ercy Park Hotel Tuesday (27), fore-saw a grave threat to continued

Ice Cream Sales Hit

Skids in '47; 9 Lb.

WASHINGTON, May 1.—Agricul-ture Department is pessimistic over the outlook for ice cream consump-tion, it indicated this week in a report

The report pointed out that most pronounced changes in the pattern of milk products use since the war "have been the decreases in consumption of fluid milk and ice cream." Agricul-ture stated that the average per capita

consumption of ice cream declined to 49 pounds last year after reaching a peak of 58 pounds in 1946.

Percentage of total milk used for

ice cream dropped to 6.1 per cent in 1947 after the all-time high of 6.69 per cent reached in the previous year.

According to agriculture statistical tables, much of the milk which was going into ice cream during peak years is now going into the production

of butter, cheese and evaporated milk.

In Annual Board Election

Wrigley Reduces Directors

on the dairy situation.

Per Capita Decline

NEW YORK, May 1.—Group pur- | profitable operation of soft drink cup chasing of supplies to offset high costs | venders if the price rise should continue.

While no immediate action was discussed, operators felt that co-op-erative buying might have to be attempted eventually. They believed that except in a limited number of locations, such as theaters, they could not increase the selling price of drinks to a dime and still retain quantity sales thru venders.

To fill the position of secretaryto fill the position of secretary-treasurer, vacated by Don Shelton, the members elected George H. Thiers, supervisor of the Automatic Beverage Corporation. Shelton re-signed because he is leaving the cup vending industry for a job with the City Milk Company.

In a separate action, ACDA execu-tives appointed Joel Brown, of Public Service Vending, and Hank Harris, of Spacarb New York, to act as the membership committee.

Twenty representatives of the 12 operating firms presently comprising the newly formed association (*The Billboard*, April 17), attended the meeting.

Indiana League Awaits Cig Levy Distribution

INDIANAPOLIS, May 1.—Indiana's Municipal League, still seeking finan-cial relief for the State's near-bank-rupt city governments, today awaited an attorney general's opinion on the possibility of obtaining cigarette tax funds.

League members, most of them city officials, asked Governor Gates this week for a share of the cigarette tax revenue for garbage collection and sewer improvements. The tax, imposed by the 1947 General Assembly, is coming in at the rate of around \$13,000,000 a year, 50 per cent more

Vincent Youkey, Municipal League secretary, said the governor had agreed to ask Attorney General Cleon agreed to ask Attorney General Cleon Foust for an opinion on possible re-turn of some of the excess cigarette tax to cities. The law provides that the tax revenues are to be used for education and health but conferees agreed that it seemed logical to consider funds earmarked for garbage collection and sewer improvements as being spent for health purposes.

Actually, all the originally antici-pated revenue was obtained for the education provision when the teach-ers' lobby in the Legislature got \$10,-000,000 earmarked for teachers' pay hikes.

Diamond Match Company Promotes 3 Eastern Reps

CHICAGO, May 1. — Diamond Match Company last week an-nounced the promotion of three of its personnel. Murray A. Swerling, the past four years manager of the firm's New York branch sales office, firm's New York branch sales office, has been appointed supervisor of re-production book match salesmen in the Eastern Division. Swerling will train men for a new organization to sell reproduction book matches as advertising media. His headquarters will continue to be located in New York York.



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CHICAGO, May 1. — Number of directors of the William Wrigley Jr. Company was decreased from 11 to 9 at firm's annual meeting. R. R. Holcomb, a vice - president, was elected to fill the vacancy left by the death of E. W. Eckerly; all other directors with the exception of one retired and one who was ill were re-elected. than was anticipated.

It was also voted to declare four dividends of 25 cents a month during May, June, July and August. Such payment would be made as follows: May 1, to stockholders of record April 19; June, to holders of record May 19; July 1, to holders of record June 19, and August 1, to holders of record July 19.

re-elected.

Peter Paul Earnings Jump

NAUGATUCK, Conn., May 1.— Peter Paul, Inc., here, in a statement just released, reports earnings for the year ended December 31, 1947, totalled \$2,725,670. Figure includes \$39,195 from restoration of reserve in connection with firm's Philippine corporation and \$4,320 refunds. Officials state candy sales increased 50 per cent during the year, and a further increase is expected during 1948. Firm has installed additional facilities at its Philippine plant and is producing coconut caramels especi-ally suited to warm climates.

Deimling Leaves Hawkeye

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men who place them in their offices is told by the

heads of the employee association in charge of

vender operations. Read "EMPLOYEE SLANT ON

WITH SOME TIMELY TIPS ON WHAT IT TAKES TO SELL THE MILITARY MARKET

A fact-packed analysis of military regulations covering venders takes on added interest as more and more training camps are being readied for use. Operators who are in position to service this market can reap a harvest of profitable selling and operating aids from "SELLING THE MILITARY MARKET" in the May issue of Vend.

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO MAKE A COOKIE OPERATION SUCCESSFUL?

Vend takes you thru the operations of the country's largest cookie vending route. Read how this firm by a thoro analysis of its business potential and careful planning

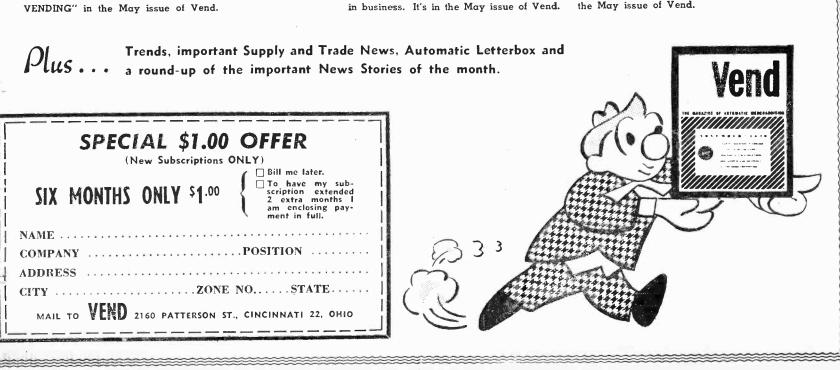
created an automatic merchandising route that earns the title "STABILITY IN COOKIE VENDING." You'll find it in the May issue of Vend.

VEND SURVEY OF CITIES CINCINNATI

Vend this month goes into its home town and surveys a diversified, progressive and flourishing automatic merchandising industry. Operators in cities large and small will profit from reading this story of automatic merchandising in a city where the successful operators average 10 to 15 years in business. It's in the May issue of Vend.

TAKING THE MYSTERY OUT OF TRUCK LEASING

In these days of high prices and soaring operating costs operators are giving more attention to trucking costs than ever before. In this article Vend breaks down the mystery of Truck Leasing and points out its advantages and disadvantages. Read "TRUCK LEASING FOR OPERATORS" in the May issue of Vend.





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CIGARETTE MACHINES

	CIGARETTE MACHINES
	Rowe President, 10 Cols., 475 Pack Cap. \$125.00 Rowe Royal, 10 Cols., 400 Pack Cap. 100.00 Rowe Imperial, 6 Cols., 180 Pack Cap. 60.00
	Uneeda Model 500, 9 Cols., 350 Pack Cap
	National, 6 Cols., 180 Pack Cap 32.50
	DuGrenier Champion, 9 Cols., 420 Pack Cap. 75.00 DuGrenier Champion, 7 Cols., 250 Pack Cap. 70.00 DuGrenier Model W, 9 Cols., 300 Pack. Cap. 55.00 DuGrenier, 4 Cols., 100 Pack Cap. 25.00
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Crown Farm To Test Redesigned Bottle Drink Merchandiser

CHICAGO, May 1.-Crown Farm Implement Corporation will place its redesigned and re-engineered Big-4 bottle vender thru an exhaustive test operation beginning this week, ac-cording to President E. J. Novak. Ma-chine to be used will be a pre-pro-duction line hand-built job, incor-porating simplified operating and mechanical construction.

Major charges include refrigera-tion, insulation and cabinet design. While machine's operation remains basically the same as when produced by Auto-Vend Company, Kansas City, Mo. (before Crown Implement acquired the manufacturing and sales rights) it will offer operators a simplified service and maintenance problem, Novak said. The new features are now being location and laboratory tested.

Vender will hold 96 bottles (more or less, depending on drink sizes ranging from 6 to 12-ounce) in its vending unit and another 96 bottles pre-cool.

Novak states production schedule, when machine is approved, will per-mit delivery in from 30 to 60 days. Firm will utilize production facilities of both its Warsaw, Wis., and Chicago plants if required.

Drink-O-Mat Show Held for Hub Ops

BOSTON, May 1.-The new Drink-O-Mat, 1,000-cup drink dispenser, manufactured by Albert Cole in Lawrence, Mass., was unveiled to the local trade in the Salle Moderne of the Hotel Statler here April 24. Ma-chine takes 5, 10 and 25-cent coins, and while serving a full sized 5-cent

drink, the machine makes change. It has a capacity of 1,000 servings, the equivalent of 4½ cases and occu-pies a space of 2 by 3 feet. Therm-ostatic control maintains the temperature of the drinks between 38 and 40 degrees at all times.

N. J. Shelves Ice **Cream Weight Bill**

TRENTON, N. J., May 1.—State Bill 317, which proposed sale of ice cream by weight and which was op-posed by the Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, has been shelved. Bill bas because

Bill has been referred to the legis-lative committee on miscellaneous business, which is termed the "grave-yard" by New Jersey lawmakers.

FORD GUM

(Continued from page 108) (Continued from page 108) revise its contracts to comply with Texas law, and Ford S. Mason, presi-dent of the firm, told *The Billboard* this week that these contracts were now being drawn. The State did not ask that Ford's permit to do business in Texas be revoked. The decision leaves Ford operators

in Texas be revoked. The decision leaves Ford operators in Texas free to sell any brand of gum they choose, to operate where they choose and to sell their machines freely. Ford Gum & Machine like-wise enjoys the same privileges in this respect. The State did not ask for an injunction after the Ford Company agreed to revise its existing contracts. Trade in Texas understands that the complaint against Ford's contracts arose because of the shortage of ball gum. During the peak of the short-age, about two years ago, Ford put its operators on a rationing program, as did all other large producers of ball gum. At that time, and since, Ford franchised operators in question

franchised operators in question sought to buy stock gum from other question companies, contrary to the agreement of the contract.





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10c Price on Drinks Spreads; Answer To Operating Costs?

(Continued from page 108) reported to be seriously considering he co-operative buying of supplies by members so as to keep the price begged at a nickel, if the price spiral untinues.

In Chicago, the dime-per-drink rend is almost exclusively limited o theaters. This is following true o form, tho, as the nickel increase vas first initiated in California over i year ago when the Skouras and rabian theaters put the hike into "ffect. In Detroit, the dime price has Ho been used for some time. Beginning about three months ago,

n Chicago Loop theaters (of which low over two-thirds have dime drink renders) the upped price has now pread to movie houses in other parts of the city. Operators using the new price say that while immediate realts were a decrease in total sales, ne volume increased with succeedng weeks. It appears to have leveled off at a rate below that of the nickel ales, with dollar returns the same r slightly higher than previous to-

als under the 5-cent price. Max Rosenbaum, co-head of United Nax Rosenbaum, co-nead of Onited Severages, Chicago, operating firm rvicing theaters only, and president f Square Manufacturing Company, up vender manufacturer, said that Itho his firm had the dime-pegged nachines in Loop and outlying thea-ers, it would be nine months to a ear before any definite decision as o the real value of the increase could error of the reached. Effect of increase on ales in all seasons was one reason, with long-range public reaction the ther.



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Rosenbaum stated that he felt the dime price was not the solution to the operators' high costs. One thing, said, the location owner immedihe ately wants more percentage when the dime charge is made. Usually, this means he wants half of the increase, or 2½-cents more per drink. A more practical answer to the high operating costs might be the use of a 2,000-cup costs might be the use of a 2,000-cup machine, according to Rosenbaum. Such a unit is scheduled for early trial on firm's movie locations in Chicago (see separate story in this issue). The large capacity machine, designed and manufactured for Uni-ted Beverage by its affiliated com-pany, Square Manufacturing Com-pany, will reduce servicing calls from daily to twice a week and so effect daily to twice a week and so effect a saving in labor, time, and wear and tear on its truck fleet (present two-

flavor Square vender being used is 800-cup capacity). Meanwhile, the 10-cent price ex-periment will be maintained until such time as it is found to be detrimental to over-all sales, or proved of lasting value, most experimenting operators believe.

Chicago

Another Chicago soft drink opera-tor, Seymour Gale, of Drink-o-Matic Company, also has the dime drink vender on test. Starting two months ago, Gale has his 10-cent machine loago, Gale has his 10-cent machine lo-cated in theaters outside the Loop, and reports that while the drop in gross sales volume has been very evident, the nickel increase serves to keep dollar sales at a fair level. "I prefer nickel operation, and would like to stay at that price if I would realize a soft profit," Gale states. He feels that the dime charge is too high, and with present conditions, the nickel level too low for successful op-eration. "A 7½-cent coin would solve the situation," he said. Eventually, Gale intends to con-

the situation," he said. Eventually, Gale intends to con-vert his entire operation to dime venders. A two-price operation is not good business, he believes, as pa-trons will balk at having to pay a dime in some locations while others stay at a nickel. Reason for initiating the dime price in out-of-Loop movie the dime price in out-of-Loop movie houses was to test acceptance. If it If it went over in neighborhood houses, Loop conversion was assured, he explained.

Combined high costs of sirup, labor, cups and trucks leave no alternative but to go to the dime level to assure a profit, Gale stated. Nickel operation, even for operators with large volume, leaves too small a net for a going business enterprise.

West Coast

Los Angeles area operators of soft drink cup venders are charging both five and 10 cents per drink and get-ting little unfavorable reaction to the dime price, The Billboard survey revealed. Where the machines are for employee use, the price is a nickel; where the general public is the biggest patron and the location some type of amusement place, many operators are charging a dime.

Col. H. V. Roberts, of Automatic Beverage Corporation, Los Angeles, said his firm has cup venders in theaters, at piers and other spots where the price is set at 10 cents. Be-cause the customer who is likely to be near such machines is more interested in getting a cold drink than saving a nickel, no complaints have been reg-istered. The firm, however, is oper-ating nickel cup venders for em-ployees in its industrial plant locations.

Substantiating his claim that pa-trons of amusement places do not object to paying the extra jitney, Roberts said that machines to be installed this summer at Lake Arrow-

head, a well-known resort town, would all have 10-cent mechanisms. Thirst-Aid, Inc., of California, ac-cording to Guy Goodwin, firm official, is obtaining equal success with both five and 10-cent cup venders. The dime machines are in theaters where bottle drinks are also selling for this price. In a local department store the company has five venders, of which all except one are accessible to the public—all five operate at the nickel price. This firm also has a twoflavor cup machine, dispensing root beer and a cola, in a drive-in at the corner of Sunset and Vine, which is not on dime test operation. Officials say that the price hike, however, in this case is to keep the machine out competition with the soda fountains located in drive-ins.

In the final analysis, Goodwin said, the price of the cup vender opera-tion is left up to the location owner. **Holds** Line

Edward L. Nelson, who operates candy, cigarette and gum venders in addition to beverage units, said that his machines were in industrial plants and for this reason, were all set for nickel operation.

A spokesman for the Dr. Pepper Bottling Company in Los Angeles said that both five and 10 cents were being charged for bottled drinks. The dime is asked in bowling alleys, rid-ing academies and similar spots. ing Where employees patronize a vender, a nickel is charged. (One exception is a spot where the employees are buying the machine, and wanting to get it paid for more quickly, they requested the dime coin mechanism.)

Common feeling among Los An-geles operators is that the dime price for bottled drinks is not too much. as over-the-counter sales in service stations and liquor stores are now six and seven cents per bottle of coke.

New York Theaters

New York operators have limited the dime-a-cup price to theaters, and only about 25 per cent of the local houses have changed to this price, with the remainder following the nickel operation. General feeling here is that the dime operation is not General feeling the final answer to upped operating costs; as stated before, co-operative purchasing of supplies is thought to be the better solution.

Lew Braverman, head of Drink Dispensers' Association, states that Dispensers' Association, states that about two years ago several opera-tors experimented with a 6-cent cup price. Move was a failure. Re-sult is that now, with dime level cup and bottle vending becoming more pronounced, local operators are shy-ing away from a general move to adopt the increase. Apparently, they feel that the 10-cent price cannot succeed where the 6-cent drink failed. In any event, they indicate that they would rather do business in normal (non-theater, etc.) spots at the standard nickel rate. at the standard nickel rate.



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Canada Dry Builds New Philly Plant

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PHILADELPHIA, May 1.—Largest Canada Dry Bottling plant in the country is being built here. The new plant, for which ground was recently broken, will cost approximately \$1,-400,000 with equipment and will have over two acres under roof.

The plant will have three separate The plant will have three separate bottling lines and is designed for a maximum production of 250,000 bot-tles every eight hours. When full production is reached, nearly 300 peo-ple will be employed.

William E. Passow, Philadelphia division manager for Canada Dry, ex-pects to transfer operations to the new plant in February, 1949. The company opened its first plant in Philadelphia in 1937, with facilities to handle 40,000 bottles daily. With-in three years, the company moved to its present location on Woodland Avenue where facilities are available to produce 70,000 bottles daily.

Distribution from the new plant will be confined to the Philadelphia market area. The company expects to reintroduce its line of fruit flavored beverages, and will put out its Spur and Hi-Spot beverages in nickel bottles as soon as conditions permit.

Boston Candy Sales Continue on Upswing

BOSTON, May 1 .- While reports from other parts of the country in-dicate that candy manufacturers and sellers have run into stiff buyers' resistance on 6-cents-and-above candy bars, volume sales are still on the upswing here.

Figures released today by the New England Manufacturing Confection-ers' Association (NEMCA) (20 manufacturers in Massachusetts and one in Connecticut) for March show an increase of 12 per cent, and figures for the first quarter of this year show a 15.4 per cent increase over the first quarter of 1947.

NEMCA reported that March figures of this year showed volume sales of \$4,701,572. For March of last year, figure was \$4,194,919, an increase of 12 per cent for March this year.

Steady Sales Rise

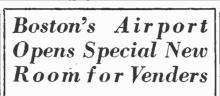
Since the first of the year, the confectionery industry here has gained steadily in sales. For January, fig-ures showed a 13.2 per cent increase, and for February, a 21.6 per cent increase was reported.

NEMCA, now working on promo-tion for the Sweetest Day, scheduled for fall, will hold its annual meet-ing at Schrafft's Restaurant on West Street May 12. Officers will be elected, and nationally known speakers in the confectionery world will be heard.

Confectionery Producers Re-Elect Haug President

NEW YORK, May 1.—Association of Manufacturers of Confectionery (AMC), at its 32d annual meeting (AMC), at its 32d annual meeting here last week at the Hotel Penn-sylvania, re-elected Charles F. Haug, head of Mason, Au & Magenheimer Confectionery Manufacturing Com-pany, Inc., as president.

Charles R. Adelson, Delson Candy Company, New York, was elected vice-president, succeeding Herman L. Heide, president of Henry Heide, Inc. Harry Lustig was renamed secretary-treasurer. Executive committee chairman chosen was Samuel D. Fried, Gold Medal Candy Corporation, New York, who filled the post which was vacant since retirement of Herman L. Hoops from the confectionery industry last October.



BOSTON, May 1.—A new coin ma-chine room opened this week on the promenade deck of Logan Airport in East Boston, with over 100 auto-matic vending machines going full filt.

Airport visitors can buy nylon hose take their pictures, get a cup of coffee, a dish of ice cream or a soft drink, all by inserting the proper coin in the machine.

Some idea of what this service can mean is evidenced by the weekly output of vending machines here— over 4,000 cups of soft drinks, 3,000 candy bars, 1,000 bags of popcorn and 2,000 packages of cigarettes.

The nylon vender stocks two shades of stockings-dawn and dusk-at \$1 the pair.

From 3.000 to 4,000 per week crowd From 3.000 to 4,000 per week crowd the promenade deck to watch the ar-rival and departure of planes. On Sundays hundreds feed dimes into turnstiles to watch planes warm up and take off.

Richard Appel, assistant manager of Logan, says the vending machines have definite appeal to air travelers. With time on their hands the custo-mers line up at the machines to buy candy bars for the kids or stockings for themselves or their friends.

W. Fisher Forms New Vend Firm in Bryan

BRYAN, O., May 1.—Fisher Auto-matic Service Company was formed here this week by William C. Fisher, to operate candy, gum and nut vend-ers within a 25-mile radius. Fisher, who is well known in coin machine circles locally, was with the Automatic Canteen Company of America for the last nine years as serviceman. serviceman.

Nigerian Cocoa Exports Subject to Higher Duty

WASHINGTON, May 1. — Cocoa exports from Nigeria now have higher duties to help meet that coun-try's estimated \$10,400,000 budget deficit for 1948-'49, according to word received here received here.

Export duty was increased from \$8.40 to \$26 per ton of cocca, and on ground nuts from \$2 to \$10. London cocca circles regard the boost as "un-likely to affect the price to buyers." likely to affect the price to buyers." Because the tax is payable by ship-pers, English spokesmen state that these shippers, especially the Nigerian Cocoa Board, could absorb the in-creased duty without upping the price, considering "the present scale of cocoa prices."

Wrigley 1st Quarter Net Up

CHICAGO, May 1.—William Wrig-ley Jr. Company here reported this week that for the first three months of this year, net income amounted to \$2,111,504, equal to \$1.07 per share of capital stock. Earnings compare with a \$1,792,230 totăt net, equal to \$1 cents a share in corresponding 91 cents a share, in corresponding 1947 period.

Eye Connecticut Sales Tax

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., May 1.— State tax experts, studying tax re-State tax experts, studying tax re-turns for March, indicated this week that there is a possibility that if the revenue yield continues to exceed estimates, as was the case in March, the sales tax levy may be retained at 1 per cent after July 1, 1949. Under present law, the levy is sched-uled to rise from 1 to 2 per cent at that time that time.

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Diamond To Retire Stocks

WILMINGTON, Del., May 1.-Dia mond Match Company, at a stock-holder meeting here last week, votec to retire 250,000 shares of 6 per cen cumulative participating preferred stock, with a par value of \$25 per share, and 499,940 shares of no-par value common stock. Action will re-duce firm's capital, in respect to the preferred stock, by \$6,250,000, and to the common stock by \$7,151,608. quarterly dividend of 371/2 cents pe share was declared on company common stock. It is payable June to stockholders of record May 14.

Topps Starts Bubble Drive

NEW YORK, May 1.-Topps Chew NEW YORK, May 1.—Topps Cheff ing Gum, Inc., has announce that it is promoting bubble gum via comic book advertisements, radii plugs and thru Ringling Brothers Barnum & Bailey Circus. Latter pro motion consists of a circus clown blowing, during each performance, : "seven-foot bubble" on which the word Bazooka is painted. Circus b said to have adopted the gum as the "official bubble gum of the Greates Show on Earth."



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Agriculture Dept. Sells Nut Stocks

WASHINGTON, May 1.-Depart-ment of Agriculture is in the peanut business in a big way, the agency dis-closed this week. In March the de-partment disposed of some 73,000,000 pounds of peanuts purchased pre-viously from growers as part of a price support program.

The largest Agriculture Department customer was the army, which took over 43,000,000 pounds for civilian relief in occupied countries. Individuals and corporations bought another 21,000,000 pounds from the department. The remainder was dis-tributed to Veterans Administration and the Bureau of Prisons, or used in Agriculture's school lunch program.

NICMA Confab Set for A. C.

ATLANTIC CITY, May 1. — The National Ice Cream Mix Association, Inc. (NICMA), with headquarters in Washington, will hold its annual con-vention here October 27. The association board of directors selected the date as many members will be here for the Dairy Industries' Exposition, which opens October 24 for one week. NICMA convention will be held at the Chelsea Hotel.

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Soft Drink Nickel Outdated, Bottler Tells Minnesota Ass'n

MINNEAPOLIS, May 1. — The nickel has become a dodo in the soft drink industry, according to Edward W. Mehren, president of the Squirt Company, who marshalled detailed facts and figures to back up his pro-posal to mint a 7½-cent coin in an address at the Minnesota Bottlers' Association (MBA) meet at the Hotel Nicollet here April 19.

Elaborating upon his fractional coin idea, Mehren based the need for such a coin upon the inflationary such a coin upon the inflationary process and resulting devaluation of the dollar. He stated that the dollar which was worth 100 cents in 1939 is now worth a little over 50 cents. "This means that the 80 cents wholesale price, compared to 1939, is now worth slightly more than 40 cents. The nickel, worth 5 cents nine years ago is now worth slightly more than $3\frac{1}{2}$ cents," he stated. To maintain the same gross income values that existed in 1939, he said, the soft drink industry's wholesale price, per 24-bottle case, would have to be \$1.45, with the retail price pegged at 9 cents.

Sees No Normalcy

Quoting the United States News. Mehren said that "a 75-cent dollar is about the best to be expected in the years ahead." If correct, the nickel will be worth 3³/₄ cents, and 80 cents worth 60 cents. Thus the industry must forget about hoped-for "return to normalcy," and must instead set its sights on proper pricing and ef-ficient advertising and promotion of its product to assure a continued ex-

is product to assure a continued ex-istence as an industry, he advised. Discussing the $7\frac{1}{2}$ cent coin, Mehren declared that the consumer, the soft drink industry and labor needed such a fractional-value me-dium of exchange. For the consumer, the performance is used as a second se the new coin would save money; it would prevent tagging of a dime price on a 7½-cent product, and would mean more convenient means of purchase of between nickel and dime items.

The soft drink industry would benefit from such a coin by retaining present size bottles instead of scrappresent size bottles instead of scrap-ping them for "other sizes to keep in tune with changing nickel values," Mehren stressed. We need a new "convenience" coin, of lesser than a dime, "to save purchasers money, give us greater production and to give us greater production, and to give thousands of bottlers the profit they need in order to stay in busi-ness."

Reasonable Price Structure Labor would welcome such a coin because "in the soft drink, transporta-tion and various others fields, the only approach to a more adequate return for work is a higher but more reasonable price structure," Mehren declared. Conversely, thru reasonable pricing, the savings made by labor as consumers w ould improve their consumers would improve their standard of living and make purchase of more products possible, as well as increase total production.

increase total production. Speaking of the present "2½-cent price" for nickel drinks, because of inflation, Mehren stated that such pricing ignores a cardinal selling principle, the fact that people buy what they want first, what they need second. The 2½-cent nickel price, in itself does not make more people itself, does not make more people want our product, as low prices of themselves do not create markets-if they did, the soft drink industry would be non-existent because nature's own thirst quencher, water, is still free.

Continuing, Mehren touched briefly on the past and future picture of the soft drink industry. He said that in 1929 about 3 1/3 per cent of a con-sumer's personal income, after taxes, was spent on soft drinks; in 1939 this

percentage had increased to 51/3 per cent. However, in 1947, the in-dustry sold less than the 1929 per-centage level. If the 1939 level had been maintained, last year's total sales would have been 1,250,000,000 cases instead of the estimated 860,-000,000 cases.

Discussing arguments against the $7\frac{1}{2}$ -cent coin, Mehren said the one most often heard, that the nickel is an industry tradition, ignores the fact that "we are in a changing world." with the nickel worth $2^{1/2}$ cents, why stick to "tradition" and go out of business? Another argument is that higher price will reduce volume. It will if we don't make people want our product. As it stands now, the public "want" for soft drinks is on a downward grade, so altho increased price would have the immediate efhet of lessening a weakened want. what we sold would be sold at a profit and we could then go out and work (advertise, promote, etc.) to increase the "want."

Larger Sales

Result of such all-out promotional campaign would be sales on a larger scale than ever before; "let's not for-get that our population is 10,000,000 more than in 1940," Mehren pointed out.

To do a complete job to remedy the coinage limitations under today's conditions, we really need three new coins in our currency, with $2\frac{1}{2}$, $7\frac{1}{2}$ and $12\frac{1}{2}$ -cent denominations, Mehren feels. He said that for convenience alone, there was a need for both the $7\frac{1}{2}$ and $12\frac{1}{2}$ -cent coins, as in addition to speeding up purchasing trans-actions, they would have high use-fulness in the coin vending, transit and telephone industries. They would give us a flexible, economical small coinage system.

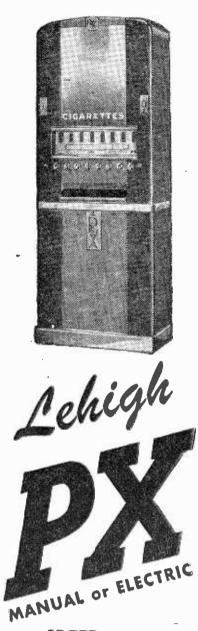
Mehren figures that elimination of overpricing of many limited priced commodities caused by lack of be-tween nickel and dime coins would save the public approximately \$5,000,save the public approximately \$5,000,-000,000 yearly. The soft drink indus-try, selling approximately 20.640,000,-000bottles during 1947, could forget about the dime price entirely and concentrate on the 7½-cent price with actual savings to the public. This is proved by the fact that about 40 per cent of the retail outlets in major cities last year sold bottled soft drinks for 10 cents or more per bottle. Anfor 10 cents or more per bottle. An-other 23 per cent of such outlets sold soft drinks for from 5 cents to 9 cents, while the balance (32 per cent) sold beverage for a nickel.

If the 'trend continues toward the dime bottle, the public would have to pay \$2,540,000,000 for soft drinks; with the existence of a 7½-cent coin, however, the price would level off at this figure, with a theoretical saving of \$516,000,000 a year for the nation's soft drink purchasers.

Bendix Buys Washer Firm, **Issues Financial Report**

SOUTH BEND, Ind., May 1. Bendix Home Appliances, Inc., h here Bendix Home Appliances, Inc., here announced approval of the purchase of the H. J. Rand Washing Machine Company, Cleveland, at the recent annual stockholders meeting. The Rand washer, said to still be in the development stage, is described as "radically different from any washing machine now available." Purchase will give Bendix control of patent applications on the new machine. All Bendix directors were re-

All Bendix directors were re-elected during the meeting, and it was reported that a net profit of \$1,658,751.98 was earned for the first



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Y. Council Considering Drastic Bill; Turn to May 19

(Continued from page 106) show cause why the police depart-ment should not be restrained from ment should not be restrained from molesting game equipment as a re-sult of a suit for an injunction initi-ated by local distributors (*The Bill-board*, May 1), Corporation Counsel Charles F. Preusse appeared, together with former Supreme Court Justice Samuel I. Rosenman, representing the distributors, before Justice Julius Miller Monday (26).

Rosenman requested that a tempo-rary injunction against the police be granted pending a later trial for a permanent injunction prohibiting the seizure of games unless actually used for gambling purposes. This request was vehemently opposed by Preusse, who argued that no restrictions should be placed on police activities. He also be placed on police activities. He also asked that he be given more time to examine the papers served by Rosenman.

New Hearing Ordered

This, Justice Miller granted, but he This, Justice Miller granted, but he asked the corporation counsel to agree that no games be molested until then. When Preusse refused this request, the judge set a new hearing for Tues-day (27) and stayed the police de-partment from action until then.

He told Preusse: "I can't see how

he told Preusse: "I can't see how any harm can come from the police commissioner's not doing anything within the next few days." At this Tuesday's hearing, which resulted in the unofficial truce until May 19, the date of the trial, Rosen-man presented an imposing body of evidence to support his contention that games used in the city met every qualification of New York law. In defining the difference between current games and those in use here before the LaGuardia administration ban, and which offered free play, he cited statements by Police Commis-sioner Wallender and police engineers to the effect that current games were not gambling devices and could not be easily adapted for free play. He ruled out the police claim that criminal elements were involved in the industry by pointing to a list of persons engaged in the industry that

MARITIME OPERATORS

(Continued from page 106) state that higher operating expenses are also affecting the profits of the trade in the Maritime area. Latest group of operators to take the case for a cut in license fees to a council hearing are from Yarmouth, N. S. Operators in that area sought a 50 per cent reduction from the pre-vailing \$50. The appeal was referred to a licensing committee which ruled that as the regular civic assessment on coin machines had been eliminated that as the regular civic assessment on coin machines had been eliminated thru the aid of the assessment appeal board, there would be no reduction in coin machine license fees at this time. This result came as a blow to Yarmouth operators because their principal revenue during the war years came from Canadian and British military personnel stationed near there.

Dixie Cup Sales Increase

WILMINGTON, Del., May 1.—Dixie Cup Company sales for the first 1948 quarter, while exceeding those of a year ago, fell short of expecta-tions, President Cecil F. Dawson told stockholders at the firm's annual meeting recently. meeting recently.

Dawson emphasized that the com-pany expects to obtain "its share of new business growing out of increas-ing sales of beverages in automatic vending machines using paper cups." Dixie Cup owns patents on a num-

ber of devices incorporated into cup dispensing mechanisms.

was offered to Commissioner Wall-ander for investigation, and on which he said no action was taken by the police. In this connection, he warned police. In this connection, ne warned that police harassing of the industry would actually have the opposite ef-fect they said they were trying to ob-tain. "If the game industry is driven underground," he said, "then racke-teers will take it over."

teers will take it over." To prove his contention that the police had harassed location owners by threatening prosecution for trivial offenses unless games were removed from their premises, Rosenman sub-mitted affidavits from a number of storekeepers. These affidavits al-leged that on at least five occasions location owners were told: "If you take the machine out we won't an-noy you." Rosenman said such tac-tics were reminiscent of the Gestapo. Preusse said that the nolice would

Preusse said that the police would try to prove at the trial that current games come under the legal defini-tion of gambling devices.

Location Biz In **Rise, Survey Shows**

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store receipts for the four cities were up an average of 4 per cent. Filling stations overaged an 8 per cent gain.

stations overaged an 8 per cent gain. South Atlantic cities did even bet-ter. Taverns and restaurants in Washington registered gains of 12 per cent over February, while the in-creases in Baltimore and Atlanta were 11 per cent and 10 per cent, respec-tively. Drugstore business was up 7 per cent in Baltimore and Wash-ington, while Atlanta druggists re-ported no change. Filling station business in the three cities was up an average of 12 per cent. The upward trend continued far-

The upward trend continued far-ther south in the cities of Norfolk, Jacksonville and Houston. Eating and drinking spots showed gains av-eraging 12 per cent; drugstores regis-tered an average gain of 6 per cent, while filling effective about on every while filling stations showed an over-all increase of about 18 per cent.



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FOUR-STATE MEET CONVENES

MUSIC MACHINES

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4-State Confab Emphasizes Music in Exhibits. Firms Also Show Games, Venders

Two Manufacturers Unveil New Juke in Minneapolis

Monday and Tuesday (26-27) in con-junction with the annual Northwest Regional Convention featured 17 firms using 23 booths to display a variety of machines and equipment for the more than 400 operators in attendance at the Radisson Hotel. Using the Gold and Italian rooms of the hotel, the exhibitors displayed their equipment from Monday morn-ing thru Tuesday night when the coning thru Tuesday night when the con-vention adjourned for the banquet.

Two music machine manufacturers took advantage of the convention to took advantage of the convention to unveil new products for the operators in attendance. The Midwest Coin Machine Corporation, St. Paul, dis-tributor for Filben, took over four booths at the exhibits to show the new Maestro '48, which will list for \$595, and which, according to Wil-liam A. Rabin, president of the Filben Manufacturing Company, went into mass production Wednesday (28). AML with Lyndon C. Force sales

AMI, with Lyndon C. Force, sales manager, in attendance, held a sneak preview of its new Model B. It was preview of its new Model B. It was stressed, however, that this machine was being shown to get operator-reactions only. The final version of Model B, and the list price of the new machine, will be shown and an-nounced to the firm's distributors at a two-day meeting in Grand Rapids, Mixeh May 7-8 and will be shown a two-day meeting in Grand Rapids, Mich., May 7-8, and will be shown to operators thruout the country dur-ing the week of May 16, which has been scheduled as "national show week."

Taken in booth order, the exhibits were as follows: Capitol Records, Minneapolis, in

Milwaukee Show Set By United Coin for Filben Maestro **'48**

MILWAUKEE, May 1.—Harry Jacobs Sr., head of the United Coin Machine Company here, this week reported that the new Filben Maestro '48, the \$595 juke box recently an-nounced by the manufacturer and shown to the industry at the four-State meet in Minneanolis this week shown to the industry at the lour-State meet in Minneapolis this week for the first time, will be introduced to Wisconsin operators in a special showing Sunday (2) at the Wisconsin Hotel. Open house has been sched-uled to run from 1 thru 11 p.m., with operators thruout the State invited to attend to attend.

to attend. In addition to Harry Jacobs Sr., his son Harry Jr., and Sam A. Druck-er, vice-president of the National Filben Corporation in Chicago, will be on hand to describe the new low-priced juke box to the operators. Among the entertainers scheduled to appear at the showing are Tommy Sheridan, pianist currently at the Town House: Johnny Davis, orchestra his son Harry Jr., and Sam A. Druck-er, vice-president of the National Filben Corporation in Chicago, will be on hand to describe the new low-priced juke box to the operators. Among the entertainers scheduled to appear at the showing are Tommy Sheridan, pianist currently at the Town House; Johnny Davis, orchestra leader now at the Tic Toc Club; Mr. Wisconsin, demonstrating muscular control, and Jimmy McPartland, mod-ern jazz exponent, now appearing at the Stage Door. Will and center public attention on the juke box. Further accentuating the yalue of the song as an industry play and public relations aid, is the fact that one of its writers, who developed the original idea and lyric pattern, is himself a music operator. He is Adolph Raymond, of A & M Music, Chicago. Collaborating on the tune was Murray Arnold, popular orches-tra leader, who recently closed an en-gagement in the Empire Room of the Palmer House here, where he intro-duced the song over the air.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 1.—With the Booth No. 1, featured a "catch the emphasis on music, the exhibit held Monday and Tuesday (26-27) in con-junction with the annual Northwest Jacobs, Minneapolis promotion man for Capitol, was on hand at the booth, while Spike Haskell, Mankato rep who is a recording artist for the firm, also appeared. Capitol artists appearing in town who made an appearance at the convention included Stan Ken-ton, June Christy and the King Cole Trio. A General Electric combina-Trio. A General Electric combina-tion was used to play the current plug (See Music, Games on page 118)

> **Cleve Ops Pick Next Hit Tune**

> CLEVELAND, May 1.—Hit Tune of the Month for May, as selected by the Cleveland Phonograph Merchants' Association, will be Vaughn Monroe's new RCA recording of The Senti-mental Thing To Do, it was an-nounced this week by Jack Cohen, president of the association. Ops se-lected the tune after it had shown up favorably in disk jockey polls, and favorably in disk jockey polls, and after hearing the song at their meet-

ing. As Hit Tune of the Month for May. the recording will be placed in the No. 1 position on more than 3,000 juke boxes located in the Cleveland area

After announcing the selection, Jack Cohen and Stanford Levine, flew to Minneapolis to attend the four-State meeting and banquet.

Crowd Catcher

MINNEAPOLIS, May 1. — A special gimmick, installed Tuesday (27), focused attention thruout the closing hours of the F. C. Hayer Company booths. Distributors of RCA Victor Records, the firm, which is under the management of Eugene the management of Eugene Elofson, installed a public loca-tion television receiver and caught the first baseball game ever televised in the Twin Cities from start to finish. With tele interest at a fever pitch due to the inaugural of the medium here Monday, the baseball game drew practically everyone at the convention to the exhibit at one time or another thruout the time it took the Millers to beat

one time or another thruout the time it took the Millers to beat the Louisville Colonels. Elofson had a dual purpose in installing the set. Not only, was it an excellent crowd catcher, but it also proved to be an unexpected sales pitch for the first time in the territory.

Coradio Names New England Distributor

NEW YORK, May 1.-Coradio, Inc., manufacturers of coin-operated radios, which this week moved its offices and showroom to larger quarters here, has just appointed a new distributor to service the New Eng-land territory, reports Lou Brown, president. The new address of the firm is 212 Broadway. Coradio was formerly on 31st Street.

Latest outlet in the Coradio dis-tribution network is the Klapper Dis-tributing Company, 1204 Tremont Street, Boston. Klapper will handle the manufacturer's radio line in Mas-sachusetts, Rhode Island and the southers half of New Homenshing southern half of New Hampshire.

See Need for **United Front**

Local opposition to confab noted as 400 ops vote '49 convention in Twin Cities

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annual get-together, and will be held again next year at approximately the same time. The actual meet dates and convention site (reported to The Billboard as being either Minneapolis or St. Paul) will be set in about three months when the presidents and secretaries of the four associations hold a special meeting for that purpose.

As operators began arriving here over the week-end, it became evident that the meeting was to be held in a sober atmosphere, with business and new products the primary reasons for traveling to Minneapolis from flood-threatened areas, and from territories beset by legal problems.

Registration and a first look at the exhibits in 23 booths spread thru the Gold and Italian rooms of the Radisson started promptly at 10 a.m. Mon-day, and continued thru 1 p.m. when luncheon and open business meeting was held.

With a turnout of more than 250 operators, manufacturers and dis-(See Need for United Front, page 122)

AMI, **Distribs Gird for Meet** In Mich. Plant

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May 1. GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May 1.— In what should prove to be one of the most important gatherings of music men during 1948, AMI, Inc., will hold its annual distributor meeting at the firm's headquarters here Friday and Saturday (7-8), John Haddock, AMI president, has announced.

Vying for top billing during the two-day business meet will be a dis-cussion of policy for the year, a de-tailed outline of AMI sales practices and a look at the firm's new phono-graph that will be formally debuted at a later date.

at a later date. Leading speakers at the distributor event, in addition to Haddock, will be Earney Sugarman, New York; Da-vid Rosen, Philadelphia; J. G. Koers, Rapid City, S. D., and Max Marston, Detroit. In all approximately 60 prominent coinmen will attend the event including the distributor firm heads, their sales and branch man-agers and key personnel from AMI's

neads, their sales and branch man-agers and key personnel from AMI's Grand Rapids and Chicago office. One of the prime features of the two-day event will be a guided tour of the production line Saturday (8) where distributor personnel will view under the fAMU products. output of AMI products. Social highlight of the AMI gath-

ering is to be centered around a banquet Saturday night at the Morton House, Grand Rapids. Besides strong representation on the part of AMI and its distributors at the banquet, members of the trade press and finance firms are scheduled to attend, including George Dick, CMAC; Gene Hanson and Jack Howard, Minneap-olis Securities, and Sam Bushnell, Standard Facts, Inc.

Illinois Phonograph Owners Back Song Promoting Juke Play

CHICAGO, May 1 .- Illinois Phonograph Owners, Inc. (IPO), initiated a public relations and play-promotion program this week centered about a new popular song especially written and slanted to focus favorable attention on the juke box industry. Action makes IPO the first operator association to use the hit tune promo-

association to use the fit tulle promo-tion idea based on a single custom-tailored tune with lyrics pointing up the automatic phonograph business. IPO executive secretary, Mike Spagnola, opened the drive with the new song, called *Juke Box Jamboree*, with a letter which was sent to all association members, urging them to make use of the tune to create good will and center public attention on the

Spagnola's letter to IPO members read, in part: ". . . some interested people are now trying to do somepeople are now trying to do some-thing which will promote good pub-lic relations (for the juke box in-dustry). Adolph Raymond, local phonograph operator — and Murray Arnold, well-known musician, have . . . composed a swingy, catchy tune called Juke Box Jamboree. The lyrics urge the listener to visit the nearest location having a juke box and to have a good time listening to juke box music. If this song is heard often

box husic, in this song is heard often enough, and in enough different locations, it can become a tremen-dous force in developing good will for the automatic phonograph indus-try."

First record of the song will be available in a few weeks on a Ray-Disk label (Ray-Disk Records, Inc.) and is expected to be followed shortly by other waxings.

Illustrating the plug accorded the industry in the song's lyrics are the opening lines:

"Gather up some nickels, I'll bring along a dime,

Let's join the gang For a wonderful time

Down at the corner on a platter spree At a juke box jamboree."

Music, Games, Venders Top Four-State Confab Exhibits

(Continued from page 117) record, King Cole's Nature Boy, for the ops.

Next was the Permo, Inc., exhibit, headed by Gene Steffens, vice-president and general sales manager. Focal point of the exhibit was a photographic display of the production of Permo needles. (The Permo motion picture on needle production was

shown at the Monday luncheon meet-ing as one of the features of that event.) Mercury Records Company, of Min-neapolis, in Booth 3, featured picture displays of its leading recording artists, including Vic Damone, Ted Wooms and Chuck Fostan A record Weems and Chuck Foster. A record player was also used in this booth to play the latest releases for the ops.

The four associations sponsoring the meeting, in a combined effort, took over Booth 4 where new memberships were signed.

Colorful Exhibit

One of the most colorful exhibits on the floor was the Reinhard Bros. Company booth, where color photos Company booth, where color photos of MGM recording stars (many of them featured in MGM motion pic-ture releases) were displayed. Ap-pearing at this booth Tuesday was Hal McIntyre, orchestra leader who records on the MGM label; Betty Norton, vocalist with the orchestra, and Bob Evens another recording and Bob Evans, another recording artist.

The Automatic Games Supply Comand 7 to display AMI phonographs, AMI wallboxes, a chassis, Evans' Bat-a-Score, and the Wilcox-Gay Recordio. Sneak-previewed in Auto-matic's exhibit was the new Model B nograph; Exhibit Supply's five-ball

AMI juke box. However, it was stressed that the machine was being exhibited for the sole purpose of getexhibited for the sole purpose of get-ting operator reaction prior to the showing of the final version of the model at the distributors meeting in Grand Rapids, Mich., May 7-8. At that time the price on the new ma-chine will also be established. Na-tional show week for the new AMI will dont May 16 it was encoursed will start May 16 it was announced by Lyndon Force, AMI sales man-ager, who headed the firm's exhibit. Monte West, sales engineer, was also here for the meet.

here for the meet. Tone Arm The F. C. Hayer Company, Min-neapolis, distributor for RCA Victor Records, took over Booths 8 and 9, and featured pictures as well as a recording machine to play the newer releases. E. (Gene) Elofson, who manages the office, headed the staff at the convention, and was respon-sible for bringing in an RCA public location television set Tuesday and showing local ops how their new tele station picks up and televizes base-ball games. Gimmick proved to be one of the largest promotions at the one of the largest promotions at the two-day meet.

The Jacobs Novelty Company, Stevens Point, Wis., displayed its tone arms and component parts in Booth 10, with a Wurlitzer 1100 also in the booth. Louis Jacobs, firm head, was in charge of the display, with Mrs. Jacobs also on hand thruout the show. Twin Ports Sales Company, St. Paul, Duluth and Minneapolis, ex-hibited the United States Vending Corporation's air-conditioned candy 1000 louida

CHARLIE HOOFFSTETTER, manager of Shaffer Music Company's Wheeling,

game, Banjo, and a new air fan, Roto Beam, in Booth 11. Clarence Bayne, USVC, Chicago, was on hand at the convention, while Mel Goldstein, manager of the Minneapolis office, headed the booth staff. Morris Le-vine, of the Duluth office, was also on hand.

Merchandise Vending Company, De-troit. Included in the exhibit was the Atlas Bantam tray vender, Hamilton scales and Mercury athletic scales, including the counter model and the de luxe. R. St. Onge, of De-troit, headed the staff at the convention.

CIT Financial Corp. **Shows First Quarter** \$3,093,360 Earnings

NEW YORK, May 1.-Earnings of \$3,093,360, or 86 cents per share for the first three months of the year, were reported this week by CIT Financial Corporation. This compared to earnings of \$1,432,373, or 40 cents per share, for the same period in 1947, stockholders were told at their annual meeting.

Arthur O. Deitz, president of CIT, which the coin machine industry knows for the music machine paper it holds, expressed the belief that the company's business would continue to expand during the remainder of the year. But he indicated that the firm is now most interested in replacing its long-term, lower rate business with short term, higher rate paper.

At the end of March, CIT had out-At the end of March, Cl'F had out-standing installment receivables of \$518,000,000 close to an all-time rec-ord. Commenting on this, Dietz said: "We are in a position now where we can concentrate on the more profitable types of business in-asmuch as our outstandings are close to an all-time high."

As to the future, Dietz implied As to the future, Dietz implied that the company might need addi-tional capital. "It is entirely pos-sible," Dietz said. "that we may have to raise additional capital in the form of preferred stock in a modest amount."

Dietz explained that CIT is now borrowing from pension trusts of large firms and from educational in-stitutions, and is paying a higher rate of interest which necessitates higher interest rates on loans made by the firm.

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W. Va., office, battles flood stages of Ohio River then decides to move music machines to second floor. Incident, which typifies the adaptability of the nation's coinmen to cope with any situation, was later sketched for original use in Shaffer house organ, Coin Profits.

Michigan Exhibitor Booth 12 featured the exhibit of the

(See Music, Games on page 121)



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Good Timing

Gene Autry has been timing and routing his personal appearance tours to exploit his films. Treks have been planned to cover the entire country. During January and February the country chapter are player toured the During January and February the cowboy chanter-pic player toured the South with a Western troupe, playing auditoriums and plugging his film, The Last Round-Up, which followed him closely in 25 key cities. His present tour, covering the Middle West and East. precedes the release of The Strawberry Roan, second Autry pic production. Third junket, now being booked for fall, will include all Western States from Arizona to Can-Western States from Arizona to Can-ada and will be timed so that Autry can ballyhoo The Big Sombrero. Between second and third tours, Autry will remain in Hollywood long enough to film Hideaway, now under prepara-

Jimmy Wakely leaves Hollywood to open a two-week p.a. tour at Rich-mond, Calif. Wakely will also play Sacramento, Stockton, Oakland, Las Vegas, Tucumcari (N. M.), the annual Cattleman's Round-Up at Clovis, N. M. with a stopover at Amarillo before his return to the film city. Wakely's disk, Milk Cow Blues, and his own cleffing, Bouquet of Roses, is being released by

Tyler Draws

According to reports, T. Texas Tyler pulled an over-capacity house of 4,000 people on his p.a. at Con-stitution Hall, Washington. It is re-ported that an estimated 2,000 would-be ticket buyers wore turned be ticket buyers were turned away. Tyler was featured on Hayloft Hoe-Tyler was featured on Hayloft Hoe-down, a television show from Town Hall, Philadelphia, May 1, one of the first cowboy singles to be televised. On May 9 he will appear at Conven-tion Hall, Camden, N. J. Tyler's Deck of Cards is heading for the Western tune best-seller lists.

Exclusive Records will release its first disking of Texas Jim Lewis and his cowboys about June 1. Lewis is remembered for his waxing of Eleven Miles From Leavenworth, The Spanish Two-Step, Worried Mind and others.

Cowboy comic-warbler Smiley Burnette has inaugurated a quick-refer-ence announcement system for theater managers and fans during his curter managers and fans during his cur-rent Midwest p.-a. tour. Play dates, theaters and cities are itinerized on government postal cards, subject to instant, inexpensive printing changes en route. He winds up the spring tour at Louisville week of May 6, before returning to Hollywood, where Cross-roads of the West, his next film, goes into production at the end of May

To Star Hot Shots

Hoosier Hot Shots will be starred in Columbia's Singin' Spurs, now in production. Eight tunes will be featured in the film. Numbers are Honeymoon Ranch, by Milton Drake: A Valley in Montana, by E. C. Beck-Ronald Buck: Allan Roberts-Lester Lee title-tune clef-fing, Singin' Spurs; the Doris Fischer-Allan Roberts ditty, Man Is Brother to a Mule; Sunny Skylar's Hair of Gold; Red Wing, by Kerry Mills and T. Chat-taway: Jenny Lou Carson's What Do I Have to Do? and Ochi Chiornia, folk song in public domain.

International has set the Peer Frankie Brown song, Born To Lose, as the No. 1 plug tune from its hillbilly catalog. The seven disks on the tune already released are by Elton Britt for Victor, Dick Thomas for Decca, Ted Daffan for Columbus, Tex Fletcher for Flint, Ray Smith on Na-tional, Jim Hand for Crown, Riley Shepherd for Banner. Eddie Kirk's Capitol waxing will soon be released.

Tex Williams starts his annual p.-a. tour with a percentage engagement at the Orpheum Theater, Omaha, May 21. From there he continues four weeks in the Midwest, prior to his invasion of the East. Following his first film sub-ject, Williams has been signed by Universal-International to be featured in another briefie.

Change Name

The Hitching Post, American Broadcasting Company's coast-to-coast Sat-urday show, is the new name for what was called *Sunset Ranch*. Seg features Ken Curtis and Shug Fisher. ... All-Star Western Theater, Mu-tual Western air show, is being broadcast live. Seg formerly was aired via transcription, but Foy Willing and the Riders of the Purple Sage ran out of e.t.'s. . . Williams recently sold a batch of independently cut masters to Capitol Records. . . Cottonseed Clark's tele show on KTLA, Sunset Ranch, has been switched from Saturdays to Tuesdays.

The Plainsmen auditioned with Roy Rogers for a summer show featuring Dale Evans and George (Gabby) Hayes with Rogers. Sons of the Pioneers were originally considered for the vocal group spot, but show's budget reportedly couldn't stand the extra stretch. . . Merle Travis is working with Cliffie Stone on the latter's KXLA show, Dinner-Bell Round-

Kansas City, Mo.





FOUR-STATE CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS



MIKE IMIG, SDPA president, pauses at the Filben booth and is greeted by Bill Rabin, firm head.



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RECEIVING THE BILLBOARD AWARDS in the College Poll are King Cole Trio, June Christy; Maynard Reuter, gen. mgr., Midwest divison, The Billboard, who made the awards, and Stan Kenton.



CONVENTION HIGHSPOT was banquet in the Grand Ballroom which was attended by more than 400 persons on Tuesday night.



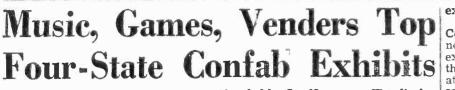
EXHIBIT FLOOR offered operators attending the convention the opportunity to look over new music, game and vending equipment.



MRS. LOUIS JACOBS, Stevens Point, Wis., chats with Mrs. Walter Ross at the Jacobs Tone Arm booth.



ASSOCIATION OFFICERS at the banquet, left to right, included: A. S. Buck, MAGA; Tom Crosby, MAGA president; C. S. Pierce, WPOA; Doug Opitz, and Thomas Kady, NDMOA prexy.



(Continued from page 118) Completing the exhibits in the Italian Room was the Bush Distributing Company display in Booths 13-14. The Aireon Coronet, in three different color combinations was shown along with Scientific's Pitch 'Em and Bat 'Em and Chicago Coin's game, Trinidad.

Moving into the adjoining Italian Room, Booth 15 was assigned to the La Beau Novelty Company, St. Paul, and featured the Rock-Ola juke box, the Playmaster and wallboxes. Booth staff was headed by Archie La Beau, firm head. O. C. La Beau, and Art Weinan, Rock-Ola sales manager in Chicago, were also present.

The Peerless Novelty Company, Spooner, Wis., manufacturer of phonograph stands, was in Booth 16, with a display of its products, including the Universal de luxe model selling at \$19.50 and the Seeburg de luxe model at \$24.50.

model at \$24.50. Largest display area at the exhibit, covering four booths, from 17 to 20 inclusive, was taken over by the Midwest Coin Machine Corporation, St. Paul. Feature of the exhibit was the new Filben Maestro '48, which lists at \$595. Also shown were Filben Mirrocle Music units, as well as wallbox and chassis displays. Jack Carter, firm head, further displayed the Flash Bowler; Bang-a-Fitty; Tin Pan Alley, a rolldown; International Mutoscope's Fishing Well; Silver Gloves, and Marvel's new game, Leap Year.

William W. Rabin, president of the Filben Manufacturing Company, and Sam A. Drucker, vice-president of the National Filben Corporation, headed the Chicago representation at the exhibit, while Jack Carter and his staff were also on hand. D. A. Wallach represented Marvel.

Roycroft Company, Minneapolis distributor for Columbia Records, was in Booth 21, with the exhibit staff

J. Mitnick New Head Of Beacon Coin Mch.

BOSTON, May 1.—Jack Mitnick, veteran coinman with many years' experience in the automatic music field, has purchased an interest in Beacon Coin Machines, Inc., and became president of the distributing firm, it was announced this week. Harry Poole, co-owner, is now treasurer

urer. At the same time, Mitnick disclosed that Beacon has just been appointed franchise distributor for A.M.I. coinoperated music equipment in the territory embracing Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont and Rhode Island. Mitnick was formerly sales manager of Runyon Sales Company, New York, which handles the A.M.I. line in New York State. Of his new associate, Poole said: "Jack's knowledge of the field, which extends back to the infancy of the automatic industry, will be of great

Of his new associate, Poole said: "Jack's knowledge of the field, which extends back to the infancy of the automatic industry, will be of great help to juke box operators in New England." He pointed out that Mitnick helped focus considerable favorable publicity on the coin music industry when, as head of a New York, New Jersey and Connecticut committee of Coin Machine Industries, Inc., he helped raise a sizable contribution for the Damon Runyon Memorial Cancer Fund.

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of the booth. Heading the last bank of exhibitors in the room was Weidman National Sales, Detroit. Featured in the booth were three of the latest models of the National cigarette vending machines. Art Weidman, who heads the Detroit firm, was in charge of the

exhibit. Next was the Gopher Distributing Company, St. Paul, which handles novelties and salesboards. Firm's exhibit was confined to premiums in the fishing field, which proved an attention-getter with ops in the resort country.

Final exhibitor at the convention was the Frederick Lee Company, Minneapolis. Firm distributes a number of record labels, and featured in its display the FM Recording label, which specializes in hillbilly disks.

Scheduled to show, but unable to get to the show in time, was the United Distributing Corporation, Fond Du Lac, Wis., distributor of the Douglass shoeshiners.



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Need for United Front Seen As 4-State Meeting Convenes

(Continued from page 117) tributors, the luncheon meeting was presided over by C. S. Pierce, presi-dent of the Wisconsin association. Featured speaker at the session was Dudley Ruttenberg, secretary of the Coin Machines Industries, Inc. (CMI), who spark-plugged the convention Coin Machines Industries, Inc. (CMI), who spark-plugged the convention thruout its two-day tenure. Speak-ing on the legal problems in which the areas represented at the meet were faced, and the value of public relations, Ruttenberg's talk was voluably received by the group.

the North Dakota Association, Thomas Kady, president, said: "My heartiest congratulations to the op-erators of North and South Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin for com-bining a four-State association, for the benefit of each and every one of us Lat's hone we are been close of us. Let's hope we can keep close re-lations indefinitely."

Mike Imig, president of SDPA, after urging the assemblage to sup-port the manufacturers and distributors who had helped make the con-vention possible, said: "The South Dakota operators are glad to meet with you. We have been working At this meeting the presidents of the four associations offered their with you. We have been working convention greetings. Speaking for in the past few months to get as close



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"I feel that our national organiza-tion is a fine thing and I know after meeting the boys on top, it is in good hands.

"We have quarterly meetings and the boys agree that the ideas we give each other are really worth the time spent.

"Distributors have been under constant fire and in some cases we know they have done wrong, while in others maybe they were not to blame. In our State the fly-by-night operators are disappearing, and the established operators are buying on a basis that they can come out with a fair profit and still not be over-burdened with payments.

"Our organization is glad to be with you at this show and it wants to thank all the distributors and coinmen who have made it possible for us to have our own 'little' show."

Pierce's greeting to the convention was as follows: "I wish to extend my heartiest welcome and greetings to all four-State operators and their families and guests attending our show at the Radisson Hotel in Minneapolis, April 26 and 27.

"It is a great pleasure to me, and to the officers and members of our Wisconsin association, to be able to meet with the neighboring State operators of Minnesota, North and South Da-kota for joint ideas and better op-erating conditions for operators in

As president of the Minnesota as-sociation, Tom Crosby played host to convention visitors. His greeting was as follows: "At this time I would like to extend a hearty welcome and greeting to all the operators, jobbers and distributors in the Northwest. As and distributors in the NorthWest. As president of the MAGA, I know that all members of our association will find it a great pleasure to meet with operators from Wisconsin and North and South Dakota. I sincerely beand South Dakota. I sincerely be-lieve that a meeting of this kind will be very beneficial to the operators and distributors in the Northwest trade area."

Meet Opposed

Referring to the opposition to the convention from three major dis-tributors in the Minneapolis area, including Herman Paster (Wurlitzer, Bally, etc.); Hy-G Music Company (Seeburg, Gottlieb, Watling), and Silent Sales Company (Mills, Amuse-ment Devices) Crosby told the lunch-eon meeting that the operators should eon meeting that the operators should get behind the companies that were behind them by supporting their show.

A check with Paster, Greenstein and Cohen revealed that while these distributors were not opposed to a joint meeting of the four associations, they believed that due to current con-ditions in the Twin Cities it would have been better to either move the convention to another city, either in Wisconsin or the Dakotas, or postpone it for the time being. Under either of these conditions, said the three major distributors, they would have been happy to go along with the meeting.

Crosby said he felt public relations in the industry started at the bottom -with the operators-and added that by proper use of public relations op-erators could build up good will in the territory. He urged the associa-tions present to co-operate with CMI and to unite.

At the request of Pierce, the opera-tors present took a standing vote to determine whether or not they fa-vored another convention. The re-sponse was practically unanimous in forcer of the most. Parced on this use favor of the meet. Based on this vote, the convention committee Tuesday voted the 1949 convention. Closing the luncheon was a showing

May 8, 1948 of the Permo motion picture, portray-

of the Permo motion picture, portage ing the production story of phono-graph needles. Gene Steffens, vice-president and general sales manager of Permo, prior to the showing, of Permo, prior to the showing greeted the operators at the convention.

Following the luncheon and business meeting, operators took over the exhibit rooms, which were then com-pletely set-up. The rooms remained open until 10 p.m. Monday, when the first day of the convention adjourned.

SDPA Meeting

On Tuesday the SDPA, only in-dividual association to hold a regular session at the convention, met in the morning at which time Ruttenberg was again the featured speaker. With Imig, association president presiding, the meeting was devoted to the current legal problem facing the State (See 4-STATE MEET on page 130)



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Chicago:

Several well-known coinmen were in to see Pat Buckley, head of Buckley Manufacturing, R. E. (Smitty) Smith reports. Among them were Sam Tridico and Bob Buckley, partners in Tridico and Bob Buckley, partners in Console Distributing Company, New Orleans; Dewey Buckley, Reno, Nev., and John Buckley, in from a tour of the Southwest. Smith reports that Joe Calcutt, who died in Fayette-ville, N. C., April 20, was one of the finest coinmen in the business. Smith's favorite story on Calcutt is the one about his trip to New York several years ago. Calcutt stepped off the train, saw the milling New York taxis and crowd just outside the rail terminal, and decided to take the next terminal, and decided to take the next train back to Fayetteville. Tho a man of unusual business and mental accomplishments, Calcutt always re-ferred to himself as a country boy. ... Nils G. Peterson, Buckley dis-tributor in Pennsylvania, was in for a call on the home office.

Exhibit Supply's new catalog is expected to be ready for mailing next week. Perc Smith reports. In addition to being a valuable opus on Exhibit Supply's arcade equipment, the catalog contains 50 attractive color illustrations of arcade pieces. Smith reports that the catalog includes a history of Exhibit Supply which dates back to 1901. Work on the firm's new addition is going along well, and it may be ready for occupancy in 60 days. . . . Bob Soper, sales manager for Self Service Laundries, distributors of the Wilcox Gay coin recordio, reports that his firm's new headquarters on Milwaukee Avenue is now shipshape.

Nat Gottlieb returned to the house Gottlieb last week, following a of (See CHICAGO on page 124)

Los Angeles:

E. T. Mape & Company's Southern E. T. Mape & Company's Southern California branch manager, Ray Powers, off to Bakersfield to confer with Leonard Baskfield, the firm's sales manager. . . Jack Leonard, parts department manager for Badger Sales Company, and also the parent of a new-born member of the Leon-ard family, reports that mother and child are home from the hospital and child are home from the hospital and doing nicely... Al Bettleman, C. A. Robinson & Company, is back from an extended tour in Northern Cali-fornia where he called on ops in that territory.

Bob Portale, head of the newly-formed Maport Distributing Company at 1312 Southwest Washington Street, Portland, announces opening of the new showrooms and offices, where the Filben Mirrocle Music and the Filben 30 Selection phonograph will be shown....Jack Gutshall Distributing Company is rearranging its offices for Company is rearranging its offices for greater efficiency, according to Jack Gutshall, head of the firm. . . Vend-o-Matic Sales Company, San Francisco operators of the Kwik-Kafe Hot Coffee Vender, is expanding locations in the Bay area. . . R. E. Smith, Automatic Enterprises, distributors of the Ace Shoe Shine Machine, is placing ma-chines in Los Angeles and industrial sections. sections.

Stan Rousso, local factory represen-tative for the Stoner Manufacturing Corporation, Aurora, III., attended the recent meeting of the Western Vend-ing Machine Operators' Association. . Frosti-Serve Ice Cream Bar dispenser is now in quantity production and is expected to hit the market by early summer, according to R. A. Kelsey, president. . . J. R. Giesler and associates, national sales representative for the Landis hot popcorn ma-chine, The Aristocrat, says he is still making distributor appointments. . . . Recent visitors at Badger Sales Comhecent Visitors at Badger Sales Com-pany were W. H. Shorey, San Ber-nardino; E. E. Rippee, Compton; Lloyd Dindinger, Carlsbad; Tom Lewis, San Diego; J. L. Orr, Gardena; Barney Smith, Long Beach; Roy and Depathy Borton, Coelinge Dorothy Borton, Coalinga.

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Detroit:

Harris Porter has taken over the Wurlitzer outlet here, operated for the past several months by the Atol Distributing Company, and has re-named it the Porter Distributing Company. Offices remain in the old location on East Jefferson Avenue. . . . Marion Reed, formerly with Pan-American, is new branch manager for the new King Record office here. Stan Barclay, national promotion manager of the company, was in town for a few days arranging a disk jockey and trade press party, cancer fund benefit and contacting the trade.

Fred E. Hoinagel Jr. has been taken in as a partner by Quality Vendors, Detroit branch of a well-established Lansing, Mich., operating firm, headed here by Fred Kircher Jr. . . . Harold Hendrick, real estate operator, who has recently entered the amusement has recently entered the amusement game field with the formation of the H. & F. Games Company, operating a route of Belgian pool tables, is reducing his route for the summer months because of the boom in build-ing and construction locally, but plans expand to full-scale operation in the fall.

Ward Lamb, who operates Ward's Service Station at Oakland and King avenues, is one of the city's newest colored operators, forming the J. & W. Music Company. Lamb is building up a route of juke boxes in colored locations, in addition to his regular service station business. . . Joseph Levine and Edward Motil are forming the L-W Vending Service, with offices on Greenlawn Avenue in the North-

west section (See DETROIT on page 125)

Cincinnati:

The Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association held its regular board of directors meeting April 27 in the as-sociation offices. Those attending sociation offices. sociation offices. Those attending were Sam Chester, Charles Kanter, Phil Ostand, Bill Harris and Harry Hester. Lawrence Kane, legal coun-sel for the association, also attended. The application made by Elmer Meyer, who operates the Elmer Music Company, was approved by the board. Another application, made by Stanley Dixon, who operates the Dixon Radio Service, will be approved May 11.

Howard Zobel, one of the employees of the Diamond Vending Machine Company, who was married in early April, has returned from his wedding trip and is now back on the job.

San Francisco:

E. G. Lewis, owner of Lewis Music Company, Klamath Falls, Ore., was a visitor here last week. . . . Del a visitor nere last week. . . Del Bern, Fresno operator, made a busiand equipment. . . Wilton Von Gease, one of the top operators around Santa Cruz, visited with the trade in the Bay area and announced he would shortly open an arcade in Boulder Creek, Calif. ness trip here buying new machines and equipment. . . Wilton Von

Cal., office of the Golden Gate Novelty Company, is on vacation. He has just bought a new home and is busy mov-ing in. Filling in for Heinle is Eddie Arnos, a junior partner, associated with the firm's local office. . . Mrs. M. A. Pollard, wife of the owner of the M. A. Pollard Company, distributors and jobbers, is visiting friends and relatives in England and Ireland. Pollard expects to go to New York in June to meet her on her return. While in the East, Pollard will make a number of business contacts.

"Hi Ho" Silver, automatic Leon merchandising operator, will come out shortly with his new Hi Ho Junior tray vender. . . W. H. Schetter, president of Jack R. Moore Company, left for Los Angeles this week en route to Chicago on a business trip to the Bally factory. He also plans a short stopover at Grand Rapids, Mich., and a visit to the AMI plant, returning here May 15.

Minneapolis:

With visiting operators from Wis-consin, North and South Dakota in town for the four-State meet at the Radisson Hotel Monday and Tuesday, local ops found most of the distribu-tors and jobbers playing host to outof-towners at their showrooms as well as at the hotel. Herman Paster's well as at the notel. Herman Paster's headquarters in St. Paul were jammed both days of the showing, while Hy Greenstein's Hy-G Music Company and Bill (Sphinx) Cohen's Silent Sales Company showrooms were also filled with visitors.

Playing host to the guests was the Minnesota Amusement Games Associa-tion (MAGA), Inc., headed by Tom Crosby, Together with Mike Imig, South Dakota Phonograph Association (SDPA); Thomas Kady, president of the North Dakota Music Operators' Association (NDMOA), and C. S. Pierce, who heads the Wisconsin Phonograph (See MINNEAPOLIS on page 125)

Ed Heinle, manager of the Oakland,

New York:

Leon Philips, head of the parts de-partment of Regent Vending, Ottawa, was in town for a few days last week placing an order with Harry Berger, of West Side Distributors, for coin machine equipment. Philips reports that he and Abe Weisberg, both graduates of the NAAMO-sponsored coin mechanics course, are doing well at Mack Levin's Canadian firm. Weisberg is Regent's service manager.

Al Gorner, public relations director of the Affiliated Washing Machine Operators' Association (AWMOA), in-forms that the AWMOA general meet-ing originally scheduled for last week has been postponed until May 5. A full slate of officers for the new group will be elected at the huddle in the Henry Hudson Hotel. Dorothy Good-man, long experienced in the automatic coin washer industry, is Gorner's secretary.

Danny Subarsky, owner of the new Mayflower Sales Company, was busy last week setting up power machinery in his 10th Avenue store. He claims he has all the facilities required to heardle the meet complicated juke her handle the most complicated juke box repair jobs. . . . Ruth Nussbaum, Automatic Music Operators' Associa-Automatic Music Operators' Associa-tion secretary, is away on a well-earned vacation this week. . . . Pop Pollay, general manager of his son's United Phonograph Service, is back on the job after an extended stay in Florida.

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Tony (Rex) DiRenzo, who recently formed Rex Lee Enterprises together with Leo Knebel, is busy demonstrating his firm's feather-weight pick-up and amplifier to visiting music ops. He says a recent modification to the device has "made it foolproof." . . . Lew Braver-man, of Drink Dispensers Corporation, has two of his cup venders in an open-air location at Sixth Avenue and 46th Street. He says they are doing well, and biz should increase by leaps and bounds once hot weather sets in.

Al Denver, president of the Auto-matic Music Operators' Association (AMOA), presided at a meeting of the ops April 27, at which it was de-cided to have an association outing in the latter part of June. Ops will attend a two-day spree at a resort hotel, still unnamed. The 160 AMOA members present at the meet also heard an address by Meyer Parkoff, (See NEW YORK on page 124)

Indianapolis:

Manhattan Phonographs, featured by Sears-Roebuck in a "Play Cantcen" exhibit in one of its display windows of the store, was furnished by Ban-nister & Bannister Distributing Comnister & Bannister Distributing Com-pany... Peter Stone, of the Indiana Automatic Sales Company, Rock-Ola distributors, visited operators in the northern territory the past week.... C. A. Shry, Shry Music Company, Anderson, Ind., bought new equip-ment while on coin row during the week week.

Robert McClain is the new ste-nographer at Southern Automatic Music Company. . . Clifton Smith has joined the service department at South-ern Automatic. . . . Many operators in the State are calling in their orders for equipment and parts and find it cheaper than coming to Indianapolis. . . . Betty Lewis, of the Janes Music Company record department, spent the week-end in Louisville, visiting Churchpany ill Downs, and taking in the races.

S. T. Fowler, Cambridge City op-erator, was a visitor on coin row buy-ing supplies and equipment. . . . Business at taverns and other spots has shown a marked improvement during the week. . . Teen-age clubs in the city have dispensed with regu-lar musicians at their dances, and now are using phonographs instead. . . . Record sales of popular disks are re-ported by distributors operating rec-ord sales departments. One dealer reports business 50 per cent ahead of last year for the same period.



THREE PROMINENT coinmen preoccupied with trade news at the annual Northwest Regional Convention and Exhibit in the Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis (left to right): Norman Gefke, Sioux Falls, S. D., operator; Mel Goldstein, Minneapolis manager of Twin Port Sales, and Clarence Bayne, U. S. Vending Corporation, sales manager.

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Chicago:

(Continued from page 123) well-earned vacation under the sunny skies of Florida. He reports that the firm's new game, Jack 'n' Jill, has already proved to be popular with operators and customers. . . River-view Park, one of the area's top amusement parks, is getting all shined up for the Decoration Day crowds.

Mike Spagnola, Automatic Phono-graph Distributing Company, reports that the firm's offices, service department and showrooms will be moved back to their former location at 806 N. Milwaukee Avenue after May 15. Warehouse facilities will remain at the present location, 2009 Fulton Street. ... Perry Rose, heading Robot Sales, vending firm in the suburb of Maywood, has designed a special mer-chandise carrying tray for operators. Featuring open lattice bottom and partitions, tray is especially suited for quick cleaning and sanitary servicing. Perry says that tray will be manufactured and sold by an independent company.

Berco Manufacturing Company is starting production on its improved model Hilco ice cream bar vender, according to Frank Oakes, sales di-rector. Redesigned machine has im-proved mechanical operation com-bined with greater eye-appeal. Fea-ture of the vender is that the coin mechanism and wending parts are mechanism and vending parts are kept at room temperature in a sep-arate compartment. . . . Seymour Gale, heading Drink-o-Matic Company, a cup-type soft drink operation, is strongly in favor of the 7½-cent coin idea. He says that while many dime-priced small items and services are over-priced at that figure and underpriced at the deflated nickel, the new denomination would offer "value for value" in a much truer sense.

A. A. Dubin, Vendi Freeze Sales, has something new in vending ma-chines up his sleeve. Dubin doesn't go any further than to admit existence of the idea in blueprint, however... E. J. Novak, president of Crown Impleent Corporation, with sales manager Wascher, is setting the stage for T a thoro test run on the re-engineered and designed Big-4 bottle vender they took over recently from Auto-Vend

COINMEN YOU KNOW

Company, Kansas City, Mo. Novak says the simplified machine should be ready for introduction in about 30 days

Vince Angeleri, manager of A. Swing Time Music Company, is sold on the chart method of checking on weekly music route rates of play. He has a simple and effective route check chart system in effect that should prove increasingly valuable as should prove increasingly valuable as the weeks roll by. Promises future data on how it works out. . . Max Rosenbaum, of United Beverage, cup soft drink vender operation special-izing in theater locations, will soon introduce a new Square 2,000-cup machine to its stops. Machine, a two-flavor job similar to the present 800-drink Square two-flavor unit, is aimed at reducing servicing costs by infre-quent routeman visits. quent routeman visits.

Chicago Coin's Sam Wolberg and Sam Gensburg are enthusiastic about reorders on Trinidad, the firm's new five-ball game which features single and double bonus, flipper action and special play lanes, plus several other player-appeal ideas. New plant addi-tion being erected will give the firm a total of 80,000 square feet of production space.

Clarence Bayne, sales manager of U. S. Vending Corporation, arrived back from the four-State meeting in the Radisson Hotel, Minneapolis, Wednesday (28). While in the Twin Cities he divided his time between the exhibit floor and the Twin Port Sales offices in Minneapolis. The firm handles the USVC refrigerated candy vender in Minnesota territory. Prior to his trip to the four-State meet, Bayne had been in San Antonio visit-ing coinmen. He says that the San Antonio airport now has USVC machines on location.

Sam Drucker, vice-president of Na tional Filben Corporation, was in Mil-waukee Sunday (2) for the Maestro showing at the Hotel Wisconsin, sponsored by United Coin Machine Com-pany, headed by Harry Jacobs Jr. and Sr. Bill Rabin, Filben president, was

supposed to have attended the event but at the last minute was called east for a consultation with army officials. Rabin is awaiting the delivery of a Lockheed Lodestar, a 14-passenger plane that will enable Filben to fly both officials and equipment to operator showings in various parts of the country. Sam Mannerino, New Ken-sington, Pa., coinman who is on the board of directors for Filben, was in Chicago briefly last week, following a two-day stay in Minneapolis for the Northwest regional meeting. Sam leaves soon for a trip to Florida.

Art Weinand is another prominent Art Weinand is another prominent coinman back from a trip to the Twin Cities. While there he called on Archie LeBeau, Rock-Ola distributor in the Minnesota territory.... CMI has announced that it will again give support to the Damon Runyon Memorial Cancer Fund, but has yet not morial Cancer Fund, but has yet not established any fund raising goal. Ray Moloney, the Bally official, who proved to be a top-notch fund raising chairman in the 1947 drive, will hold the same key post in CMI's present aid drive.

AMI's Lindy Force and Monty West worked out additional details for the worked out additional details for the firm's coming distributor meet in Grand Rapids, Mich., May 7 and 8 while journeying back from the meet in Minneapolis. Lindy reports that the firm has proclaimed the week of May 16 as national show week in honor of the official debut of AMI equipment in the firm's far-flung distributor network. . . . John Pickering, CMI public rela-tions bureau, is in New York checking on the latest developments in the amusement game situation there.

John Neise, sales manager for O. D. John Neise, sales manager for O. D. Jennings, reports first production on two bell consoles. Actually they are identical machines except that models going into the Western States are called the Prospector, while those designated for the Eastern territory are called Monte Carlo.

Jack Nelson reports that his firm, Jack Nelson Company, has already received first shipments on Filben Maestro 1948. He will announce a formal show date for operators soon. . . Jack Cox, roadman for Rock-Ola, was stricken Monday (26) while on board a plane which was about to take off for Minneapolis. Cool hand-ling by the ship's staff got him off the plane at minimum discomfort and he was taken directly to a near-by hos-pital. He is recovering slowly. . . . Lou Granite, Chippewa Falls, Wis., operator, is moving to the East soon. There he will handle Popcorn Maid venders, probably on a distributor basis

Victor Vending Machine Company reports a flood of inquiries concerning its custom built Universal vender which handles peanuts, mixed nuts, pistachios, almonds, candies, ball gum and charms. . . Mike Spagnola, Auto-matic Distributors, is getting ready to attend the AMI distributor meet in Grand Rapids, Mich., Friday and Saturday (7-8).

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Johnny Brexa, operator from East Chicago, Ind., paid one of his infre-quent calls on coin row. He visited Billy DeSelm, of United Manufactur-ing, and Al Stern, of World Wide. . . . Howie Freer, Empire Coin Ma-chine Exchange, reports his firm has shipped two large orders of games to a South African firm What nuzzles shipped two large orders of games to a South African firm. What puzzles Freer is that they were placed indi-vidually by export representatives in New York and from a South Arfican city. . . Coin-operated pool tables seem to be catching on, according to ops. At least two manufacturers are in production on the tables, one in Wayne, Mich., and one in Johnston, S. C. S. Č.

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Adolph Raymond, A & M Musi head, became a father for the secon-time Tuesday (27) when his wife Mae, presented him with a girl. Bot are doing well at the West Suburban Hospital. Newcomer is named Laura Raymond is the song-writing juke operator who collaborated on the in dustry-plug tune, Juke Box Jamboree and who gave the song its debut ove his machines. Jump tune and juke spotlighting lyrics tend to build up interest in and play on the machines he reports.

Globe Distributing's Jimmy John-son reports the first quantity delivery of the new Lightning changer is a the Bell-o-Matic Corporation, nation-al distributor for the unit. Other ship-ments will follow shortly, to fill dements will follow shortly, to fill de-mand, Jimmy adds. . . . Murray Rosenthal, Coinex Corporation, tool-the first "sick grandmother-basebal game today" time off of the year this week; it was Friday afternoon (30) when Wrigley Field was echoing to the click of ball meeting bat the click of ball meeting bat.

Eddie and Morrie Ginsburg, Atlas Music Company, are putting in a full-schedule of hectic activity in connection with the new Seeburg industrialtion with the new Seeburg industrial-commercial music systems. Harold Schwartz relays the news that the firm's new industrial music room is jam-packed daily while the demonstra-tions of the equipment are in progress. Joe Kline is still on the Illinois road-ways, contacting the trade, while Al Kleiman continues to concentrate on the Chicago area.

William Fuller, Vendall Company William Fuller, Vendall Company manager, states the firm's new serv-ice tray is in stock, and shipments are going out. The expanded metal bot-tom (open lace-work) permits the tray to be kept in top-sanitary condi-tion constantly, Fuller says. Visiton at the Vendall plant this week was William (Bob) Fisher, who has just formed his own operating company in Bryan, O. Bob was latching on to some Vendall candy machines for his operation. operation.

New York:

(Continued from page 123) of the Atlantic New York Corporation. Meyer cautioned ops to provide for the future of their routes by keeping their equipment in good working or dee and replacing upon out machines der and replacing worn out machines periodically.

Abe Levine, son of Ernie Levine. president of the Federal Music Cor-poration, opened a store on coin row. Abe states that he has been appointed exclusive distributor for Star readyprinted title strips in New York and New Jersey. His establishment retains the name of his father's music operation and is located at 478 10th Avenue.

Phil Bogin is off on a sales junkt thru the South for the West Side Dis-tributing Company that will carry him as far as Florida, according to Harry Berger, West Side's president. ... The many friends of Jack Mit-nick, former sales manager of Run-yon Sales Company, were glad to learn of his new business association Jack has bought into Boston's Beacon. Jack has bought into Boston's Beaco. Coin Machines, Inc., and is the dis-tributing house's new president.

Earle Backe, of the National Novelty Company, took along a distinguished group of athletes when he visited his son, Bruce, last week at the Hill prep school in Pottstown, Pa. Seems the lad is interested in tennis, so Earle, a championship player, formed a team and challenged the school tennis team to a match. On his side he had Alrick Man Jr., captain of the Davis Cup team: Arthur MacPherson and Cedric Major, winners of the national vet-erans' championship: Leonard Clark and Dr. Cranston Holman. The team traveled part of the way in Major's private railroad car (he is president of the Lehigh Valley Railroad). We didn't ask the final score.

Nat Cohn, prexy of Modern Music Sales and Gem Records, reports that



he is getting excellent response to a promotion scheme plugging the Gem pressing *In the Dark*. A local disk jockey played the tune each day last week and asked his listeners to guess the vocalist. Those coming up with the correct answer get radios as prizes.

Ben Palastrant, Eastern regional sales manager of the Aireon Manufacsales manager of the Aireon Manufac-turing Corporation, was in Baltimore last week-end to help put over a pre-miere showing of the Aireon Coronet in that city. The show, held by Hub Enterprises, will take place at the Ho-tel Emerson Saturday (1) and Sunday (2). . . Dave Gottlieb, president of Coin Machine Industries, Inc., in town last week. last week.

Dave Stern, president of Seacoast Distributors, reports high op interest in the All-American Electric Corporaappointed All-American distrib for New Jersey and Staten Island. Dave has had number of conferences re-cently with Tony (Rex) DiRenzo, of Rex Lee, regional distributor with Seacoast for Rock-Ola products.

Amusement game ops have decided not to operate their equipment until the games' case comes up for trial May 19, even the police have said they will not pick up games unless actually used for gambling. This action was taken at a meeting of the Associated Amusement Machine Operators of New York Wednesday (28). Ops are de-termined to live up to their end of the truce agreement.

Minneapolis:

(Continued from page 123) Operators' Association (WPOA), Crosby saw to it that the more than 400 operators who were registered were well taken care of by the Twin Cities membership.

Morris Levine, Twin Ports Sales Morris Levine, Twin Ports Sales Company, Duluth, arrived in Minne-apolis Friday (23) in order to spend a few days with his family before the convention got under way. Morris, who used to be a ranking boxer, still manages to keep in trim as he sells the Packard Manhattan. Levine was also able to spend some time with Joe Bessler, local distributor and opera-tor, who is coming back into circula-tion after having been forced to retire earlier this year because of his health.

Representation from the Chicago manufacturing circles was good, with ops resuming acquaintances with George Jenkins, of Bally, at the convention, as well as at Bally's distribu-tor, Herman Paster's headquarters. D. A. Wallach, sales manager of Mar-vel, spent most of his time at the Midwest Coin Machine Corporation's exhibit, where the firm's new game, Leap Year, was getting a big play. ... Two Chicagoans known to most of the operators at the show were Gene Steffens, Permo executive, and Ed Crowley, Permo's sales representa-tive in the territories represented at the show.

Sparkplugging the legal aspects of the meet was Dudley Ruttenberg, Coin Machine Industries (CMI) ex-ecutive, who was also a featured speaker at the Monday luncheon.... William W. Rabin, president of the Filber Manufacturing Company and William W. Rabin, president of the Filben Manufacturing Company, and Sam A. Drucker, vice-president of the National Filben Corporation, spent their time in Jack Carter's exhibit showing the new Filben Maestro '48. ... While Senator Homer E. Cape-hart was held up in Washington and was unable to attend the sessions, Art Nagle factory regional sales repre-Nagle, factory regional sales repre-sentative for Packard, was on hand to represent the Senator.

Arthur J. Biscoe, Frederick Lee Com-pany, Inc., greeted ops who were interested in the firm's FM recordings, featuring many leading hillbilly performers. . . . Spike Haskell, whose band is an up-and-coming juke box favorite in the territory, and who is

now representing Capitol Records in Mankato, was on hand with Mrs. Haskell and June Duggan, vocalist with the band, and also a favorite with local ops. Bob Jacobs was also at the Capitol booth thruout the show, promoting the new King Cole best-seller, Nature Boy.

Ted Bush, Bush Distributing Com-pany, and his nephew, Oscar Trupp-man, showed ops the new Aireon Coronet, and Harold Lieberman, Acme Music Company, was also on hand to renew acquaintances with out-of-town ops... Midwest Coin's Andrew Lentch was greeted by the firm's cus-Lentch was greeted by the firm's cus-tomers as Capt. Andrew is a former fire department captain stationed in St. Paul, who entered the coin ma-chine field after his retirement from the department the department.

Glen and Bob Addington, brotheroperator team from Bismarck, N. D., dropped in at Hy-G to see the new SICM department set up by Hy Green-stein, which is headed by his son-in-law, Al Lieberman, and to say "hello" to Solly Rose.... Bob Westrum, secretary-treasurer of the NDMOA, also from Bismarck, doubling between the convention meetings and shopping tours with his wife, who came along to the convention. Bob planned to stay over a day to catch the Ice Follies before returning home. . . Norman Gefke, Sioux Falls, S. D., spent a lot of time at the Twin Port Sales Com-pany exhibit looking over the United States Vending Company air-condi-tioned candy vender. Clarence Bayne, USVC's traveling exec, was doing the demonstrating for Norman.

Mel Goldstein, Minneapolis branch manager for Twin Port Sales, saying hello to Mrs. Louis Jacobs, wife of the head of the Jacobs Tone Arm Company, Stevens Point, Wis., whose booth adjoined Goldstein's. Also in the Lacobs orthibit were Mr and Mrs. the Jacobs exhibit were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ross. . . August Streyle, Hazelton, N. D., arrived in town early in the week for the convention, then decided to stay over for the rest of the week to complete some business before returning home.

Lindy Force and Monty West, repretheir May 7 trip to Grand Rapids, Mich., for a distributor showing of their new Model B. Tom Crosby will also attend the Grand Rapids meet. . . . Jimmy Grecco, former bailiff in Chi-cago, and now associated with Silent Sales Company here, planning a visit to his hometown in a few weeks, Jimmy has been visiting the four associations represented at the meeting on their home grounds.

One of the busiest fellows on the floor was Art Weinand, Rock-Ola's sales manager. Art made his head-quarters at Booth 15, the La Beau Novelty Company exhibit. However, Art and Archie La Beau were all over the convention floor meeting old friends... Bill Gilles, Osage, Ia., op, came up for the show, and decided to stay over a few days. He was finally able to snare a room at the Radisson late Tuesday... Jack Backus, J. Backus Company, Jamestown, N. D., was a late arrival at the banquet, having been busy looking over equip-ment on the exhibit floor... Art Weidman, Weidman National Sales, Detroit, busy showing the new Na-tional cigarette machines to ops. One of the busiest fellows on the tional cigarette machines to ops.

El Queeno Cigar Company, Duluth, and El Queeno Distributing Company, Chisholm, Minn., have added a num-ber of new red trucks to their fleets to cover the Northeastern Minnesota section. The Duluth house is operated by Harry K. Goldenberg and his nephew, David Goldenberg, while Jack Williams is in charge of the Chisholm branch.... From Devils Lake, N. D., comes word that Glen Miner, manager of Lystad & Redich Company, tobaccocandy jobbers, is vacationing in Cali-fornia with his family. . . . Hy Green-stein, of Hy-G Music Company, See-burg distributors, is in charge of the

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amusements division in the annual fund campaign of the Minneapolis Federation for Jewish Service.

Taking a look at local music operators this week was Jack Cohen, president of the Cleveland association, and Stanford Levine, secretary. They arrived in town on Tuesday in time to catch the exhibits and the banquet at the 4-States meeting and were busy discussing industry problems with those in attendance at the convention. Also traveling around the city for a look-see was Joe Blenker, Junction City, Wis., operator.

Detroit:

(Continued from page 123) (Continuea from page 123) Emilio Daloisio is establishing a vending business under the name of Leo's Vending Company, with offices on Prest Avenue... The Automatic Television Company is being taken over as a family enterprise by the three Chadwicks—Kenneth C., Carl L. and Carrel B. L., and Carrel B.

Charles F. Barnes, Michael J. Stein and Max E. Koch are incorporating the Paramount Sales Company at 4246 Joy Road, to operate and distribute coin machines. . . . Dorothy Shay, recording artist, made a personal appear-ance at the J. L. Hudson Music Store last week.

Park Meter Slugging Rises

SALT LAKE CITY, May 1. — City officials report a sizable increase in the number of slugs deposited in local parking meters. Police have been ordered to apprehend offenders, ac-cording to city's Municipal Finance Officers Association. In 1947, mo-torists put 64,673 slugs in the parking meters, compared with 27,289 dur-ing 1946.

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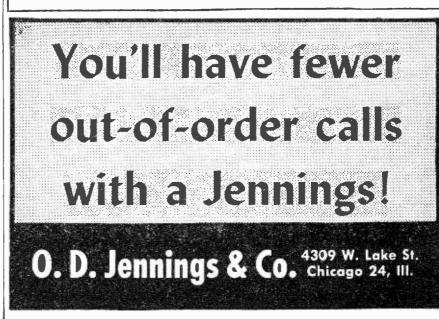
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ADVANCE RECORD RELEASES

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HOT JAZZ

HOT JALL Bop in B-Flat The Four Bops (Prelude to) Castle 503 Card Playing Blues E. "Bunky" Redding-Red Saunders All Stars (Freight Train) Score 4001 Confessin" L. Young Sextet (Easy Does) Aladdin 212 Easy Does It L. Young Sextet (Confessin') Aladdin 212 Freight Train Blues E. "Bunky" Redding-Red Saunders All Stars (Card Playing) Score 4001 Good Bait

Stars (Card Playing) Score 4001 Good Bait Dizzy Gillespie Ork (Ool-Ya-Koo) Victor 20-2878 Goofin' Off I. Jacquet All Stars (It's Wild) Aladdin 3011

3011 Hollyridge Drive Red Norvo's Nine (Under a) Capitol 15083 It's Wild I. Jacquet All Stars (Goofin' Off) Aladdin 3011 Jam for Sam

1. Jacquet All Stars (Goofin' Off) Aladdin 3011
Jam for Sam

Archia All Stars (Slumber) Aristocrat 603

More Than You Know

Guarnieri (Smoke Gets) Majestic 1229
On the Sunny Side of the Street
J. Farnell Quartet (Scrubber Time) Lon-don 162

Ool-Ya-Koo

Dizzy Gillespie Ork (Good Bait) Victor 20-2878
Pianology Album (3-10")
Shearing . . London LA-13 Blue Moon . . London 194
Delayed Action . . London 195 It's So Easy to Remember . . London 193
Jump for Joy . . . London 194

193 Jump for Joy . . . London 194 Spookie Woogie . . . London 193 Prelude to a Kiss The Four Bops (Bop in) Castle 503 Scrubber Time J. Parnell Quartet (On the) London 162

T. Archia All Stars (Jam for) Aristocrat 603

603 Smoke Gets in Your Eyes J. Guarnieri (More Than) Majestic 1229 Under a Blanket of Blue Red Norvo's Nine (Hollyridge Drive) Capitol 15083

CLASSIC & SEMI-CLASSICAL

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La Paloma
R. Keil Ork (The Snowy) London R-10007
Franz Lehar Waltzes Album (3-12")
F. Lehar, Dir.-The Zurich Tonhalle Ork . . London LA-10
Count of Luxembourg Waltz . . . London T-5004 .
Count of Luxembourg Waltz and In-termezzo . . London T-5005
Eva-Waltz, Part 1 . . . London T-5005
Gold and Silver Waltz, Parts 1 and 2 . . . London T-5006
Songs of Old Vienna Album (3-12")
E. Sack . . London LA-11
Dorfschwalben Aus Osterreich . . . London T-5002
Hab Nur Dich Allein . . London T-5003
II Carnevale Di Venezia . . London T-5003
Im Chambre Separee . . London

If Carnevale Di venezia . . . London T-5003
Im Chambre Separee . . London T-5001
Wiener Blut . . London T-5003
Richard Strauss: Ein Heidenleben, Op. 40
(A Hero's Life) Album (5-12")
Pittsburgh Symphony Ork—F. Reiner, Dir. . . Columbia MM-748
Che Snowy Breasted Pearl R. Kell Ork (La Paloma) . . . London R-10007

RELIGIOUS

All Alone The Soul-Stirrers (Working On) Aladdin 2020

2020 At the Cross I'll Bow The Trumpeteers (Packing Up) Score 5002 Dear Lord Look Down Upon Me Silvertone Gospel Singers (There Is) Radio Artist 224 Going On With the Spirit Selah Jubilee Quartet (Lord Help) Mer-cury 8084

Cury 8084 Lord Help the Poor and Needy Selah Jubilee Quartet (Going On) Mer-

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FOLK

- Birmingham Blues Curley Kinsey (I'm Gonna) Mercury 6107 I Heard My Name on the Radio C. Story (I'm Gonna) Mercury 6106 (I May Be Color Blind But) I Know When

- (I May Be Color Blind But I Know When I'm Blue
 (I May Be Color Blind But) I Know When I'm Blue
 (I May Be Color Blind But) I Know When Boys (I've Been) Victor 20-2876
 I'm Gonna Change My Way of Living C. Story (I Heard) Mercury 6106
 I'm Gonna Do Just as I Please Curley Kinsey (Birmingham Blues) Mer-cury 6107
 I've Been Working on the Guitar
 C. Atkins and His Colorado Mountain Boys (I Know) Victor 20-2876
 No One Will Ever Know
 Texas J. Lewis and His Lone Star Cow-boys (One Little) Decca 46130
 One Little Tear Drop Too Late J. Wakely (No One) Decca 46130
 That's What She Wrote
 E. Lee and His Midwesterners (You Never) Victor 20-2877
 The Old Plano Polka
 Z. Manners Band (The Strangest) Victor 20-2875
- The Z.
- 20-2875 Strangest Family Manners Band (The Old) Victor 20-2875
- 20-2875 You Never Grow Too Old To Learn E. Lee and His Midwesterners (That's What) Victor 20-2877

RACE

- Ain't Goin' No Place N. Saunders (Mercy, Mercy) Universal U-80
- U-80 I Still Love You A. Milburn (Pool-Playing Blues) Aladdin 211 I Want To Cry S. Churchill-The Four Tunes (Someday) Manor 1129 Mercy, Mercy, Mercy N. Saunders (Ain't Goin') Universal U-80
- N. U-80 U-80 Pool-Playing Blues A. Milburn (I Still) Aladdin 211
- Someday
- The Four Tunes (I Want) Manor 1129
- The Four Tunes (1 want) frames (1) Typhoon Cootie Williams Ork (You Talk) Mercury 8083 You Talk a Little Trash Cootie Williams Ork (Typhoon) Mercury 8083

LATIN-AMERICAN

- Corazon Rendido (My Heart Surrenders) Vegebajeno Trio (Nuestro Amor) Victor 23-0624 Dos Gardenias
- 23-0524 Dos Gardenias Conjunto Kubavana (Hasta Manana) Victor 23-0821 Harlem Rumba R. Socarras Ork (Maria Elena) Victor 26-9033 Victor Manana Vida Mia (Till Tomorrow
- 26-9033 Hasta Manana Vida Mia (Till Tomorrow My Life) Conjunto Kubavana (Dos Gardenias) Victor 23-0821 La Guadalajarena (The Girl From Guada-lajara)
- lajara) S. Alvarez (Yo Soy) Victor 23-0827 Maria Elena
- Maria Elena R. Socarras Ork (Harlem Rumba) Victor 26-9033 Mister, the Wolf's at Your Door W. Houdini Royal Calypso Ork (Uncle Joe) Decca 24437 Nuestro Amor (Our Love) Vegebajeno Trio (Corazon Rendido) Victor 23-0824
- Victor 23-0824 *Obeli R. Mendez (Yo Estoy) Exclusive 223 Pedro Piper I. Fields-Campos Trio (The Wedding) Victor 26-9035 Pero Que Picazon (Oh That Itch) C. Choven Ork (Sabra Esperar) Victor 23-0823 Poema Tropica (Tropical Poem)

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Boston Licensing Board Rules Against Pinballs

(Continued from page 107) already prohibit the operation of pin-ball games where liquor is sold.

The licensing board based its action on State laws giving it exclu-sive control over amusement devices in any of its licensed premises.

Mary E. Driscoll, board chairman, said: "In no place have we given authorization for the installation of pinball machines. We understand that a large number have been placed in restaurants and variety stores. We have informed the police, who are our agents in the absence of any large staff, that the machines are to be removed immediately or the licenses of these establishments are to be sus-pended."

Firm View

In the face of expected repercus-sions over the ruling, Chairman Dris-coll asserted that the board would maintain a firm position. The licensing board's order came just as the mayor's office was making

preparations to license the machines, and the prospective new revenue faded away even before the licenses began to be issued.

Railroad stations, public buildings, filling stations, shoeshine parlors, spe-cial arcades and other similar places over which the Boston Licensing Board has no jurisdiction, were seen as the possible sites of licensed pinball games as a result of the ban issued by the board.

"There is even the possibility that pinball arcades might be opened, simcharles H. McGlue, named by Mayor Curley to the \$4,000 post of director of licensing the machines, said.

Mayor Curley, who met with mem-bers of the licensing board in his office and discussed the ban, instructed the licensing division of his office to issue no permits for pinball machines to any places under the authority of the licensing board, and declared the city would lose a third of the \$40,000 he had anticipated it would collect in

license fees from the machines. He said: "There are thousands of places where machines could be put which are not subject to the regulations of the licensing board. We will

Minn., Dakota Ops Hard Hit by Floods

(Continued from page 106) inches of snow, which blanketed their area three weeks ago, had started to thaw late last week, and possibly was responsible for much of the flooded area further south. Several of the ops, especially in the Hazelton, N. D., section, said they had been unable to service their routes for more than two service their routes for more than two months due to the snow and now the floods.

Hy-G Distributing Company, Min-neapolis, reported a shipment of 10 new Seeburgs had been made into the territory several weeks ago, and re-ports had filtered back to the distribu-tor that several of the new pieces had floated right out of the location dur-

ing the floods. Fred Fixel, Pembina operator, sent word to the four-State meet that he was unable to attend as many of his

At Jamestown, N. D., the James River, which had forced some 200 families from their homes earlier in the week, was ebbing late in the week.

Pembina was one of the hardest hit areas in the territory. The city was swamped and boats were the only method of transportation. Only two blocks in the main business area re-mained above water.

see what we can do about getting revenue from these sources.

Proprietors of scores of Boston variety stores removed recently in-stalled machines as a result of the action of the city's licensing board in banning them from the premises of all establishments under its control. Walter Meins, a member of the board, and Mary E. Driscoll, its chairman, declared that the machines had been placed in the establishments thruout the city illegally and in direct de-fiance of a 1936 regulation banning them.

An attempt to work out a compromise on the ground that the city would lose about one-third of the revenue anticipated failed. The board stood firm. Mayor Curley emphasized that the board's order did not change that the board's order the not change the pinball situation, but was merely "carrying out the 1936 regulation." The board's order affects about 1,800 variety stores, 1,500 restaurants, 185 bowling alleys and pool rooms and 1,500 liquor establishments.

McGlue said that the set-up for licensing machines would not be ready until about May 15. He termed reports that racketeers had been soliciting pinball sites under the rep-resentation that one particular machine was to be favored by the new licensing division in the mayor's office "absurd." "It is absurd to think that there is any truth in such reports. The regulations and rules governing the issuance of permits have not been set up. This division, which intends to go right ahead and license the pinball games and other automatic amusement devices, has no connection with any particular group of operators, and any person who is so-licited under that impression should notify this office immediately," he said.

The licensing board acted on a regulation in operation since 1936, which prohibits operation of pinball maprohibits operation of pinball ma-chines where liquor is sold. The State ABC regulations also prohibit pin-ABC regulations also prohibit pin-ball machines in liquor places. Miss Driscoll said she had received two complaints of machines being op-erated in liquor establishments and complaints about children playing machines in a variety store. She said owners would be summoned in these and any other cases and ordered to and any other cases and ordered to remove the machines immediately, or lose their licenses.

Mayor Curley estimated the ban will cost the city \$13,000 a year in revenue. Besides the \$30 pinball license fee, to go into effect May 1, there is also a \$12 annual tax on other outcometic annuarment dowing automatic amusement devices.

Operators are not commenting on the situation, but watching developments. It is obvious, however, that Boston is to be opened up to pinball, and some quarters feel that the pin ball fad will cover all of the Hub. pin-

Del. Coin Co. Robbed

WILMINGTON, MAY 1. — Thieves, after stealing old coins valued at \$25 from the Delaware Stamp & Coin Company, 823 Orange Street, last week, returned this week and stole newly minted coins which police said had never been in circulation. Included in the loot were between 1.500 and 1,900 pennies minted from 1943 to 1947: about 1,000 nickels and several thousand dimes, quarters and half dollars. The robbery was be-lieved to have occurred about 8:30 o'clock and was discovered when one of the store officials went to open the place for business. It is believed the intruders gained entrance thru a rear window. window.

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Chi Firm Reports 100 Per Cent Gain In Overseas Trade

CHICAGO, May 1.—An approxi-mate 100 per cent increase in for-eign business this year over same period last year has been chalked up by his firm, Clayton Nemeroff, Mon-arch Caip Machina Company afficial arch Coin Machine Company official. reported this week.

"It is not that foreign customers "It is not that foreign customers of last year have increased individual purchases, but rather that an increase in total number of customers in vari-ous contries has been noted," Nemer-off said. Nemeroff added that for-gin accounts have produced a high volume of repeat orders.

"Major portion of coin machine equipment being shipped to Europe, Africa and Asia consists of pinball, arcade and bell machines," Nemeroff said.

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Trade Directory

Summary of trade activity for the past two weeks is condensed here in easy-to-file form as a trade service of The Billboard.

New Equipment

All-American (shoeshiner) All-American Electric Corporation, 306 Stoker Drive, Saginaw, Mich.

Hilco (ice cream bar vender) Berco Manufacturing Company, 4711 Lake Street, Chicago. Jack 'n' Jill (five-ball) D. Gottlieb

& Company, 1140-50 N. Kostner Avenue, Chicago 51.

Kerno (ice cream vender) Eastern Engineering & Sales, Inc., 702 Com-mercial Trust Building, Philadelphia. Twenty "1" (five-ball) McDonald & Dever, 511-513 Austin Street, San Antonio 2. Virginia

(five-ball) Williams

Manufacturing Company, 161 W. Huron Street, Chicago 10. Wisconsin (five-ball) United Man-ufacturing Company, 5737 N. Broad-way, Chicago 40.

New Firms

All-American Electric Corporation, (Formed from Ace Shoe Shine Company.)

Frohman Vending Machine Com-306 Stoker Drive, Saginaw, Mich. pany, Inc., Rock Hill, S. C. (distributor).

Mayflower Sales Company, 572 10th Avenue, New York (jobbing firm).

Rex Lee Enterprises, 767 10th Ave-nue, New York (distributor of mu-sic equipment).

Personal Notices

L. I. Baker appointed sales man-ager of Empire Coin Machine Ex-changes distribution of the Landis Aristocrat popcorn vending machine. Sam E. Chester re-elected presi-dent of the Cincinnati Automatic

Phonograph Owner's Association. Ray Conrad joined the Jack Nel-son Distributing Company as a sales

representative. Donald J. Hawthorne elected ex-ecutive vice-president of the General Instrument Corporation.

O. D. Jennings Company appointed four coinmen to the newly created posts of division supervisors; Arthur Neyens supervisor in New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and New England States; Dick Mathews for the

Mid-State Develops Special Flipper Kit

CHICAGO, May 1. — Mid-State Company here has developed a new trouble-free flipper kit, according to Bruno Kosek. The kit is described as being ready for quick, easy installation.

Kosek reported the kit will sell for \$3.95, and stressed that the kit con-tains special voltage coils operating from the transformer which have been designed for the various games made by the different manufacturers.

Okay June 1 Stay For Beer Makers

WASHINGTON, May 1.-Coinmen WASHINGTON, May 1.—Coinmen servicing tavern and cocktail lounge locations took note of the "stay" in the government's beer production curtailment order last week when Agriculture Secretary Clinton P. An-derson postponed the production cut until June 1. As originally planned, the beer cutback would have gone into effect May 15, and coinmen fore-saw some adverse effect on play if the reduction resulted in a notice-Big State Novelty Co. 1603 Houston FT. WORTH, TEXAS the reduction results able beer shortage. the reduction resulted in a notice-

Southern States, from the East Coast as far west as Louisiana; Patrick Collins for the Midwest territory; Connie Pickert for the Western States. Two new members of the National

Association of Chewing Gum Manu-facturers are the Star Molding Cor-poration, East Aurora, N. Y., and the E. P. Fenimore Company, Philadel-

phia. Bert Reil resigned his position as Bert Reil resigned his position as Vendall Company's sales manager. He is succeeded by William E. Fuller. Stanley Stacy, of the Cavalla To-bacco, Milwaukee, re-elected NATD president.

Harry L. Sunderlin named New England area representative for the Mission Eastern Sales Corporation of

Pittsburgh and New York.

New Addresses

Interstate Coin Machine Company, Inc., 1883 Columbus Avenue, Spring-field, Mass. Reliable Coin Machine Company, 184 Windsor Street, Hartford, Conn.

Distributor Appointments

The Cleveland Coin Machine Ex-change, 2021 Prospect Avenue, Cleve-land, will distribute the new Star-50 popcorn vender thru Ohio, West Vir-ginia and Kentucky. Aireon has appointed Melody Pho-nograph Company, Springfield, Mass., as distributor in Rhode Island, Massa-chusetts and Vermont. The Lack Nelson Distributing Com-

The Jack Nelson Distributing Com-pany, 2318 Milwaukee Avenue, Chi-cago 47, has been appointed distribu-tor in Illinois and Indiana by the Kwik Shoe Shine Machine Company,

Sacramento. National Filben Corporation ap-pointed Shayne Dixie Music Com-pany, Miami, as distributor for Flor-ida, Cuba and South America.

Exhibit's New **Plant Readied For Occupancy**

CHICAGO, May 1 .- Exhibit Supply Company's new addition, now under construction, may be fully oc-cupied by July 1, firm officials dis-closed here this week. A one-story structure, the new building is being created in the lot adjoining the firm's

structure, the new building is being erected in the lot adjoining the firm's present manufacturing quarters and offices at 4218-30 W. Lake Street. Altho Exhibit Supply already oc-cupies spacious quarters, the new building will approximately double its present production area. In addi-tion to being used for the output of the firm's well-known lines of arcade equipment, pinball machines and card venders, additional space is to be used for storage purposes. At the present time Exhibit Supply is using several independently owned ware-houses for storage. With the com-pletion of the addition, Exhibit will consolidate all its stored equipment under one roof.

consolidate all its stored equipment under one roof. One of the features of the new structure will be the erection of a ramp for loading purposes. Altho Exhibit Supply is well known as a manufacturer of coin equip-ments, few coinmen realize that it produces all the cards used in its vast line of card machines. This entails the printing, sorting and constant re-vising of the firm's wide selection of cards, which include athletes, movie cards, which include athletes, movie stars, fortunes, messages and fun cards. Currently, the firm's main produc-

tion is on arcade equipment and on the new five-ball game, Banjo, which includes flipper action, single and double bonus build-up scoring, sequence bumpers and skill alleys.

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CMI Protests To Wallender On Statement

(Continued from page 106) Chicago area in modern factories with annual payroll of \$30,000,000.

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"You statement '25 per cent of the manufacturers, distributors and op-erators have criminal records' is a vicious and malicious falsehood. It it without any foundation whatsoever.

Challenge Article

"We challenge the statement of police officials, as quoted in *The New York Times*, that distribution and operation of pinball games will get into the hands of racketeers and promote lawlessness.

"We assure you that if your department is able to prove to our satisfac-tion that any operator or group of operators are racketeers, our members

erators are racketeers, our members will see that games are not shipped or supplied to them. "We further assure you that mem-bers of this association have not shipped, nor do we propose to ship, into New York City any games with so-called free play attachments. We consider free play a premium for skill, as recognized by most States. But the New York law holds that free play is illegal and we have no inten-tion of supplying any games in violation of supplying any games in viola-tion of the law.

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Cite Report

"We call your attention to a recent statement of your superintendent of schools, William Jansen, that co-op-eration of the Board of Education has kept the pinball situation 'definitely under control.'

"Further, Dr. Jansen reports in-spections were made by the Bureau of Attendance of 2,693 stores and other establishments in close prox-imity of schools and that only 18 children were 'cutting classes and that none of these were playing nin-

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4 - State Meet Sees **United Front Need**

(Continued from page 122) ops—involving a case in Mitchell, S. D., to ban juke boxes from on-sale bar locations.

Ruttenberg, who for the past two months has been advising the association's lawyers on the case, reported on the aspects of the case, and offered information on similar cases.

Imig, who sent out a special letter to South Dakota ops 10 days before the four-State meet urging attend-ance, reported that 65 per cent of the operators in the State were in attendance at the meeting. It was de-cided that the next association meeting would be held in Aberdeen in June.

With the exhibits holding most of the attention thruout the day, the two-day meeting drew to a close at 6 p.m. when the rooms closed, and, with added registrations thruout the day, more than 400 operators, job-bers, distributors and manufacturers took over the Grand Ballroom for the banquet

Sen. Homer E. Capehart, who had been scheduled to appear as the fea-tured speaker at the dinner, was unable to attend, and it was decided to dispense with all speeches in order to make way for the several hours of entertainment that had been set by Ken Ferguson, convention secretary

Among entertainers were Paula Kelly and the Modernaires; Stan Kenton, June Christy and King Cole Trio, who were awarded scrolls for their winning performances in *The* Billboard's Annual College Poll; Bob Mann, Lawrence Duchow and Mickey Carlisle. Wes Barlow and his orches-tra backed the show. Lew Fine was emsee.

Mount Holly To Get Meters

MOUNT HOLLY, N. C., May 1. — The town board here, at its regular session, voted to install parking me-ters in the near future. According to present plans, Central Avenue will be paved, and the meters installed along it. Installations are expected to be started at an early date to be started at an early date.

ball games.' "You, Commissioner Wallander, were quoted in New York papers not long ago as agreeing that games with-out free play were legal and that your department was satisfied they could operate as long as they were "We urge you to reconsider your seizure action and consider a city ordinance fixing a reasonable license fee and providing for regulation in accordance with suggestions outlined here."

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South Carolina Supreme Court in Anti-Free Play Pinball Ruling

COLUMBIA, S. C., May 1. — Op-erators, jobbers and distributors of pinball games in South Carolina were new statute specified that a license right in the middle this week.

The Billboard

Monday (26) the State Supreme Court, in a 3-2 vote, decided that South Carolina's officials could seize replay pinballs despite the fact that

replay pinballs despite the fact that these games are licensed at \$15 each per year under provisions of a law passed by the 1947 Legislature. The majority opinion of the court declared that the 1947 licensing act stated its "declared purpose not to legalize any unlawful machine." In the dissenting opinion, which up-held the pinball operator's contention

held the pinball operator's contention, Chief Justice Baker wrote, "As far as pin tables are concerned, the 1947 statute expressly provides that a person operating such a machine must procure a license (and) when he does this he is complying with the specific provisions and directions of the 1947

"To hold that in the face of such a statutory situation the operation of a free-play pin table may be declared a violation of the law[•] would be vir-

a violation of the law-would be vir-tually to repeal the applicable lan-guage of the 1947 act." The whole legal point which was debated thruout the case, and in earlier court action, was whether the 1947 Legislature intended to exempt replay games from the provisions of the State law holding certain types of games illegal."

In another section of his dissenting for the firm to cease manufacturing. pinion, Justice Baker said, "It was Connors said the principal reason In another section of his dissenting opinion, Justice Baker said, "It was the intendment of the court to do one of two things: Either to legalize a coin-operated non-payment pin table with free-play feature or to con-struct a deadfall for the unwary and credulous. We reject the latter." Operators have until next Wednes-day, May 5, before any action will be taken against replay games.

taken against replay games. Prior to 1947, the State Legislature had for years carried a section in the general appropriations bill which levied a license tax on vending, music and games. In 1947 the Legislature removed the section relating to coin and games. In 1947 the Legislature removed the section relating to coinremoved the section relating to coin-operated equipment and enacted the Last game produced was Rio Rita.

new statute specified that a license would be needed for the operation of coin machines, "or any coin-operated no-pay pin tables with free-play fea-ture."

As a natural consequence, operators As a natural consequence, operators and attorneys of operators took for granted that the new law was meant to make free-play pinballs operable in the State. This week's ruling of the Supreme Court did not pass on the question of the legality of free-play pinballs, but merely decided that the Legislature did not intend to except free-play games from the State code free-play games from the State code against gaming.

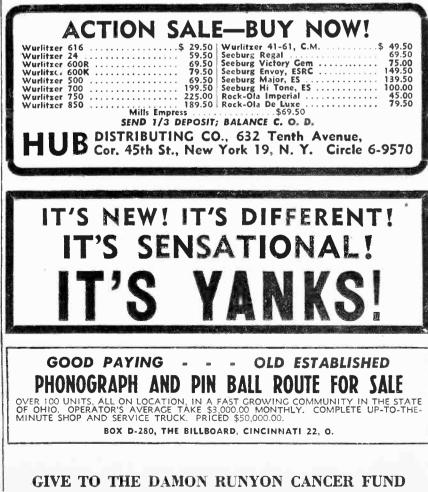
Amusematic Corp. Disbands; Built 6 Games in 3 Years

CHICAGO, May 1 .- The Amusematic Corporation, games manufac-turing firm formed here three years ago by Ted Kruse and Vince Connors, announced this week that the corporation is being disbanded and that the officers expect to surrender their charter in either June or July. Vince Connors, secretary-treasurer, told *The Billboard* that a combination of circumstances made it advisable

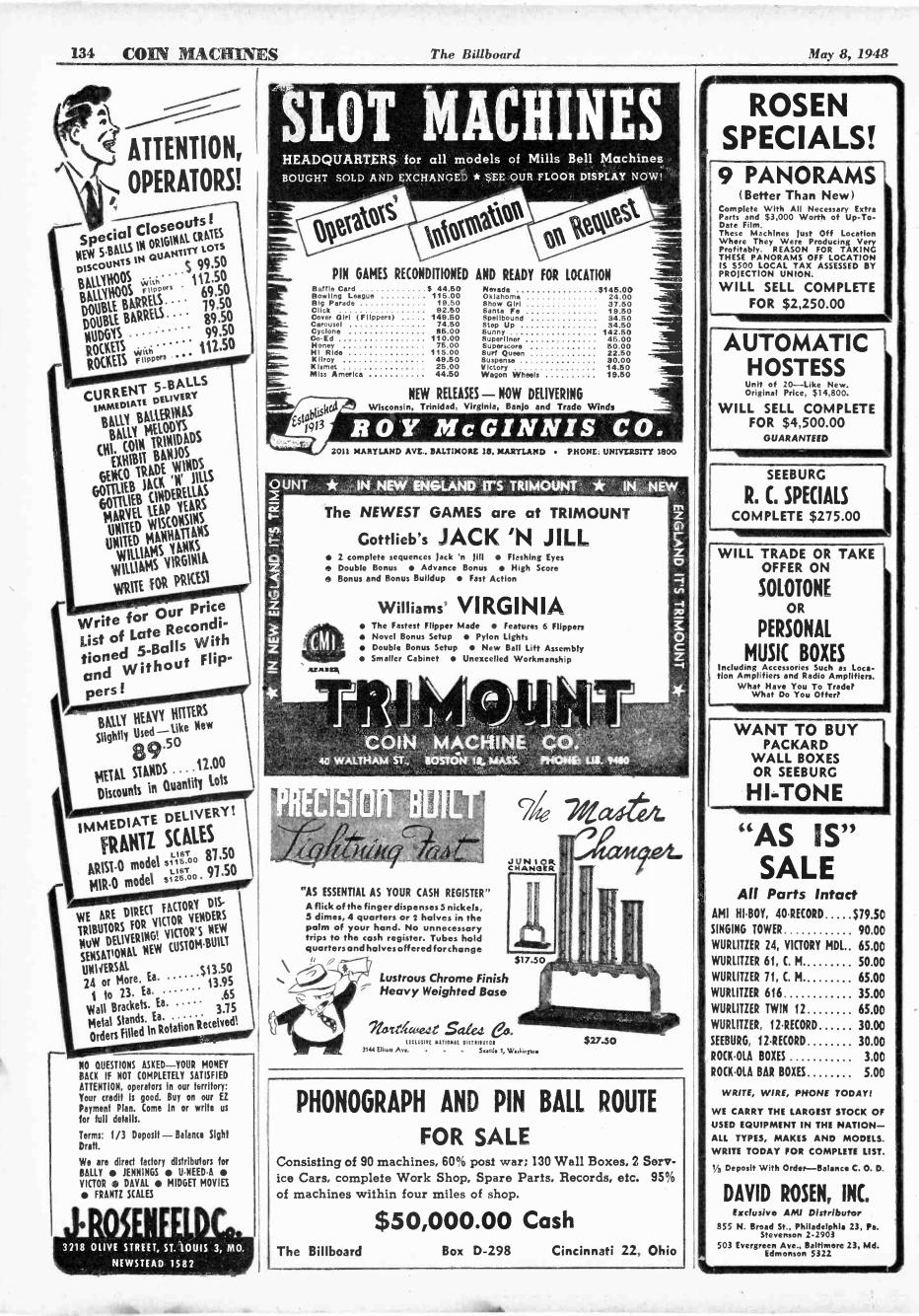
behind the firm's decision were the fact that the corporation had in-sufficient capital to acquire rights to use free-play patents and that mate-rial costs, particularly for a small manufacturer, made it impossible to produce games both at a profit and at a salable price.

Amusematic was formed in September, 1945. In addition to Connors, Kruse, president, and C. Robert Russell make up the board of directors. Since its formation, the firm has

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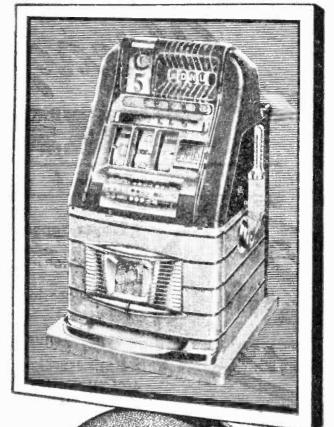






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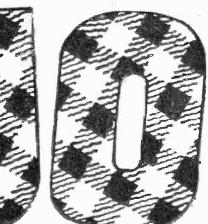
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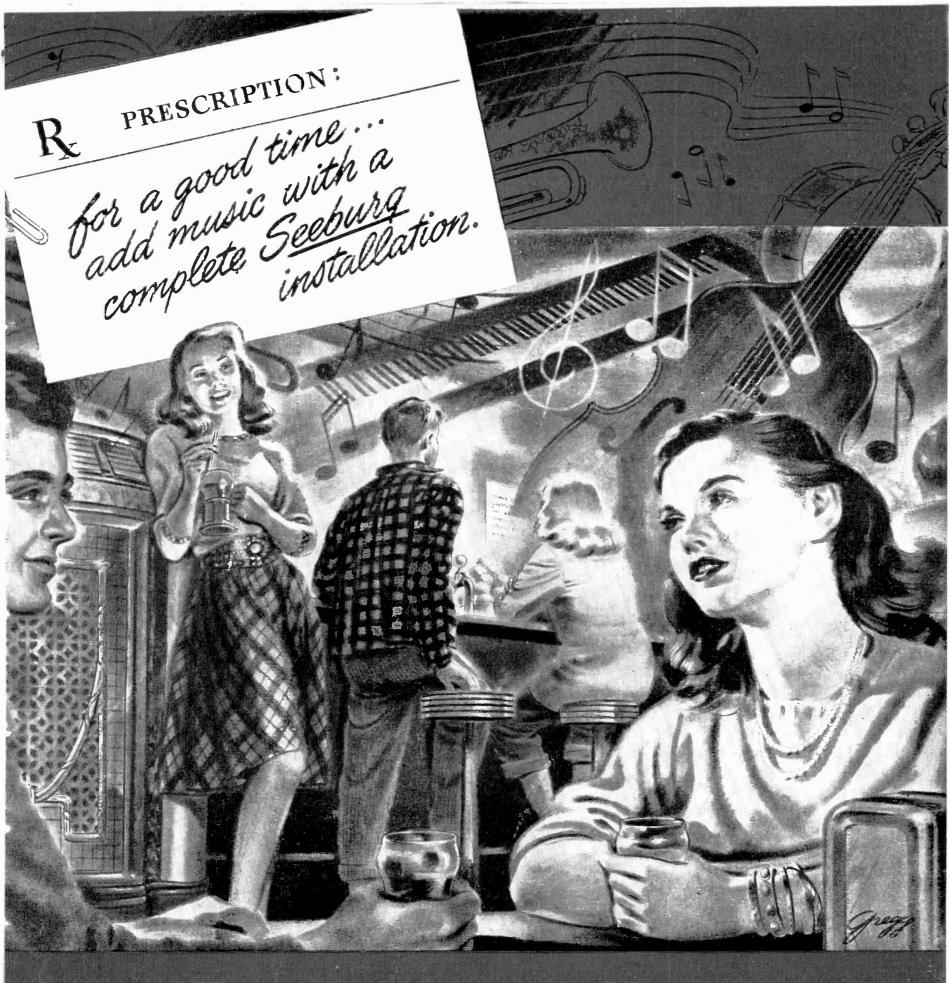
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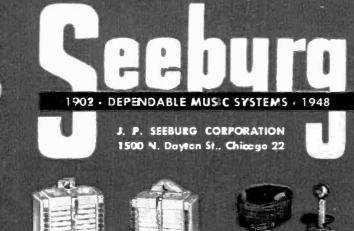












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