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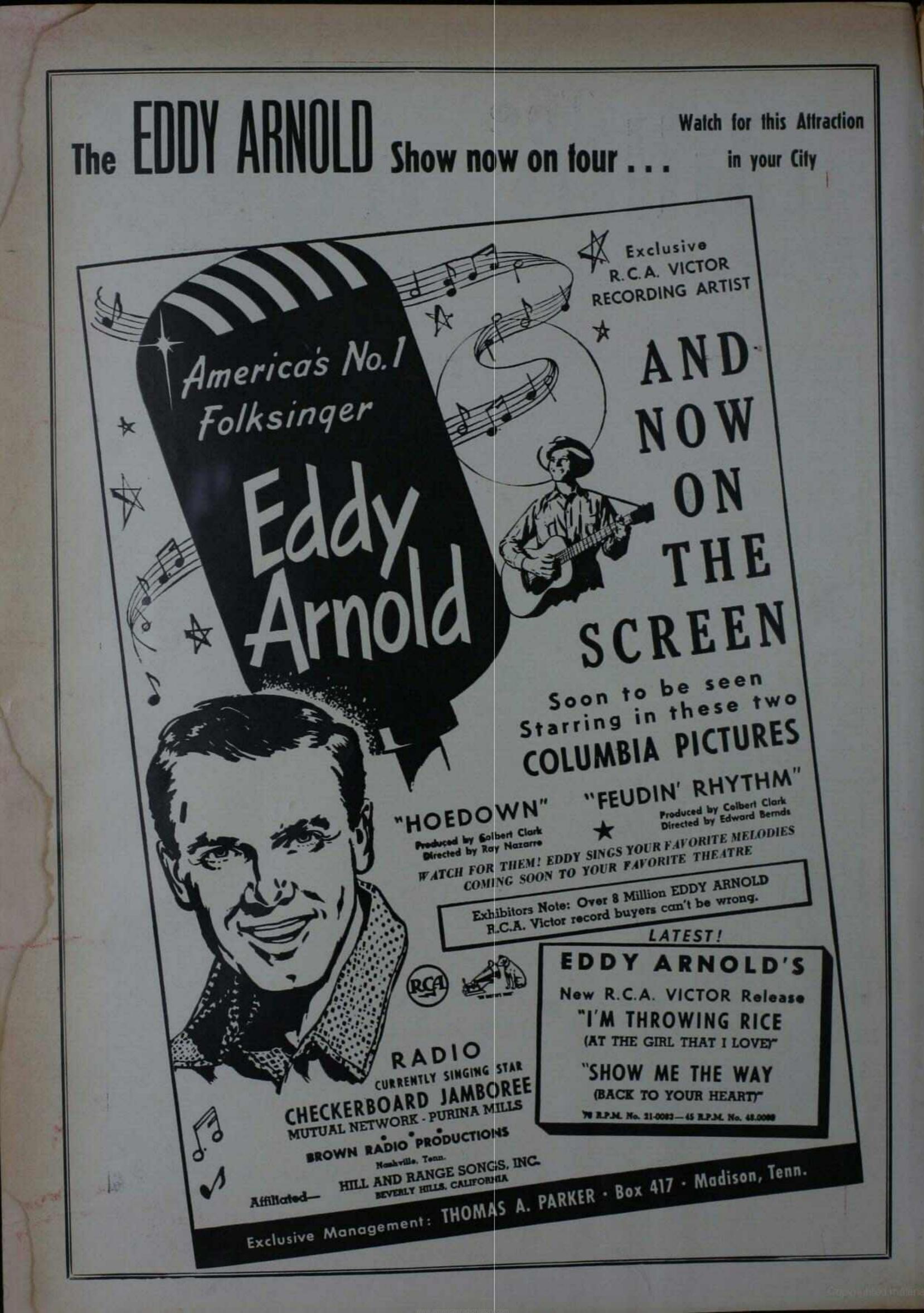


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Following hard on the heels of five record hits in a row ("Far Away Places," "Forever and Ever," "I Don't See Me in Your Eyes Anymore," "'A' You're Adorable" and "Let's Take an Old-Fashioned Walk"), Perry Como comes up with "Give Me Your Hand," which RCA Victor calls his "crowning achievement." Como is presently on the Coast prepping his new Chesterfield AM show and the Sunday TV stint for the fall season after five eventful years on the "Chesterfield Supper Club." General Artists Corporation does his booking.





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VAUDE RUBS THE CRYSTAL

**O & J Jam CNE Grandstand**, Head for Record 400G Gross

### By Jim McHugh

TORONTO, Sept. 3. - Olsen and Johnson, zany American comedians bombarding their way thru their second annual featured appearance in front of the grandstand at Canadian National Exhibition, fail to keep pace with the tempo set a year ago despite the continued masterminding of Leon Leonidoff, producer of their Grandstand Gayeties and the famed Radio City Music Hall extravaganzas

**Pic Orgs OK Theater TV**; FCC on Spot **Operation Offers Posers** whelming support for theater tele- filling costumes failed to give it life. vision from the motion picture industry is putting the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on the spot to get the medium operating commercially. Difficulties in the way, however, are sharply pointed up in briefs filed this week by members of the industry. Disagreement among flicker outfits was expressed chiefly on necessary band-widths and the optimum spot on the radio spectrum for location of theater-TV. All were agreed on the soundness of the medium, both economically and mooning couple's trans-Canada trek hope to charm diskeries into signing scientifically, and all claimed that by air. radio frequencies would have to be (See Film Industry on page 12)

in New York. The comics have pulled all stops in an effort to please, and the nightly sell-out audience averaging 22,000 persons, which will contribute an estimated record \$400,000 gross to offset the \$150,000 cost of the show, has accepted their efforts with provincial enthusiasm.

This year's offering is a facsimile of the 1948 offering, which is to say that it is a presentation of production numbers reflecting the best efforts of the Music Hall in the interim. The opening Friday night (26) production needed considerable tightening, a shortcoming accentuated by the nearly hour-long tardy start caused by a power failure outside the grounds.

### **Bolero** Flat

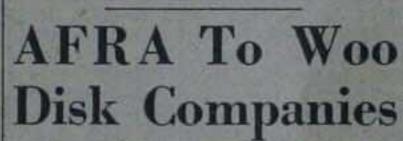
Leonidoff has employed every Music Hall tested device to incite and hold the interest of the audience. But where he succeeded last year with the beautiful and awesome Rhapsody in Blue this year's Ravel's Bolero missed entirely climactic impact. Spectacular Albert Johnson WASHINGTON, Sept. 3. - Over- settings and \$9,000 worth of eye-Handicapping the versatile Leonidoff was the public demand for Canadian representation which this year necessitated the inclusion of a combo Army-Navy-Air Force drill American Federation of Radio Artists corps and Toronto's own Bell Singers, both excellent, but nevertheless square pegs in round holes. The latter, in a setting depicting Manitoba's fertile fields at harvest time, warbled American Southland airs to completely dispell the intended acceptance by the audience of a honey-

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.-The fall tour of Horace Heidt and his Parade of Philip Morris Stars, a troupe of 60, has been completely booked. It gets under way in Yuma, Ariz., September 19. The entire caravan, booked by Heidt's own agency, under the general management of John Leer in New York, will play a series of one-nighters in 18 states thru November 27, then goes into the Shubert Theater, Philadelphia, for a three-week run, opening November 28. This stint will be followed by a vacation for the entire troupe prior to opening at a Gotham legit house for an unlimited run on or about December 27.

**Heidt Unit of 60** 

Set for 1-Nighters

As on previous tours, Heidt's appearances will be sponsored by local civic and religious organizations, sta-(See Heidt Unit on Page 41)



# Work Is Up Over 18 States 400%, But **Not Constant**

### What's in the Future?

### By Bill Smith

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The vaude comeback that started last May when the RKO reopened its New York Palace has started a flock of rumors about how much it has grown and how much more it will grow in the immediate future.

In an effort to get some of the answers The Billboard made a survey of what is going on. It queried its correspondents thruout the country. It spoke with agents and talent buyers. Here are some of the answers.

The wild optimism is hardly justified by the actual playing time available. The top playing time today is 40 weeks, compared to only about 10 to 12 weeks available last year. This increase when given in percentage figures-400 per cent-sounds stupendous. Actually, it isn't so impressive when broken down into the (See Vaude Gazes on page 43)

(See O&J Jam CNE on page 52)

For Pact Inking SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3 .- The (AFRA) will step cautiously when it endeavors to open contract negotiations with record companies on behalf of its singer-actor-announcer members (The Billboard, September 3) because, according to its national Executive Secretary George Heller, the union can do little more than Heller outlined strategy to be followed Olsen and Johnson again demon- in the union'r invasion of the disk (See AFRA To Move on page 17)

AFM, AGVA Array **SAG** Standoff **Petrillo Tells** Who's on First? NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- When **May Start TV** Men To Drop rain canceled out a Dodger baseball game this week WMGM found itself in a predicament. It had scheduled the all-star foot-Vaude Cards ball game for Thursday (1), but the sudden scheduling of a Dodger-Cincinnati Reds night game, and the fact that the

### **Precipitates Conflict**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The feud between the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) and the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) finally blew up into a full-sized explosion, after a few minor skirmishes, The lid was lifted when James C. Petrillo, AFM prexy, ruled that all AFM cardholders who are also members in AGVA must give up their latter membership.

"In simple language," announced Petrillo, "it means that no member of AFM is permitted to join or to remain a member of AGVA." Anybody who doesn't quit at once and send (See Petrillo Card Edict, page 22)

Dodgers have priority over all other sports events, gave the station the headache of finding another outlet for the football game, which was to be sponsored by Muntz Television. WMGM solved the dilemma by setting a deal with its competitor, WINS, to carry the game.

Then came the problem of announcers to air the game. Finally they wound up with Bert Lebhar, director of WMGM, who doubles into sportscasting as Bert Lee, and Ted Husing, WMGM disk jockey who gave up sports some years ago, handling the match over the rival station.

# **Authority War** Pact Long Way Off?

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- There is a growing possibility that the rift between the Screen Actors' Guild (SAG) and the Associated Actors and Artistes of America (4A's) over television authority (TA) may lead to a jurisdictional dispute that could result in spiking any possibility of a pact covering performers for a long time to come. SAG has adamantly refused to join TA, the union to be set up by the 4A's to take over jurisdiction of the medium, claiming such a move would be "suicide."

The issue may be resolved October 1, when execs of SAG come East for a huddle with 4A brass. In the event (See Tele Jurisdiction on page 8)

# Annual Winchell **Rumor Up Anew**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The hardy perennial that Walter Winchell would not be renewed by his sponsor was circulating again this week. The columnist is slated to return to his Sunday night spot for Kaiser-Frazer September 11.

The current report is that, because of heavy losses reported by K-F for the first half of the year, it might be planning a change in its radio commitments, conceivably affecting Winchell at the end of the year. The columnist is under direct contract to the American Broadcasting Company (ABC), over which he airs,

A spokesman for Kaiser-Frazer at Willow Run, Mich., said he knew of no change pending in Winchell's status. In New York William Weintraub, head of the agency bearing his name and which handles the account, declared that the Winchell rumor was the story which had popped up every year in the 16 years Winchell had been sponsored by Jergens Lotion.

In answer to a query as to whether any change was under consideration, Weintraub commented: "Advertisers are always reviewing their commitments."

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**GENERAL NEWS** 

Druggists' 100G Entertainment Color

# **Radio & Stage** Stars, Barron's **Ork To Play**

5-Day Convention in N. Y.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- More than 3,500 delegates to the 51st annual convention of the National Association of Retail Druggists (NARD) here September 15-22 will view a \$100,-000 entertainment program during the five-day session, it was announced this week by Aaron Heller, chairman of the committee.

The star-studded program is being sponsored by nationally known manufacturers in the drug and allied fields. All arrangements were made by Herman C. Nolen, vice-president of Mc-Kesson & Robbins, Inc., who heads the convention finance committee.

Leave It, an audience participation show with Eddie Cantor as emsee, will be presented by Eversharp on the evening of September 18 at the Statler Hotel. This will be followed by a variety entertainment program headlined by the Ray Block orchestra and Frank Gallagher, baritone, offered by Bourjois, Inc.

On Monday evening, September 19, Bristol-Myers will sponsor a cocktail reception and dance for the NARD president at the Waldorf-Astoria. Music will be supplied by Blue Barron's band. Also scheduled is a session of org, announced yesterday (2) that brokers losing their licenses. square dancing, with night club en- the group would meet early in the Sauter said that obviously first on shutout. This is based, of course, tertainer Piute Pete acting as caller. Singer Morton Downey will be the star of the Coca-Cola Presents program Tuesday, September 20, with a group of variety acts rounding out the program.

### NUMBER ONE ACROSS THE MUSIC-DISK BOARD

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# The radio program Take It or Probe of Stem's Situation **Under Way at Mayor's Fiat**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The City | confab will work in close co-opera-

Hall Committee, brought into ex- tion with the mayor, Commissioner of istence this week to bring about re- Investigation John M. Murtagh and forms in the New York theater, in- Commissioner of Licenses Edward T. cluding ticket broking, swings into McCaffrey. O'Dwyer wanted the pubaction right after Labor Day. Its lic to be sure the action was in no head, James E. Sauter, deputy com- way pointed to slowing down Murmissioner of commerce and president tagh's probe of the ticket selling biz, of Air Features, a radio production which has already resulted in 23

### FCC expects authorization to start flood-freeze may lift simultaneously

Tele

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3. - The possibility that color TV standards might be authorized simultaneously with the lifting of the freeze on TV applications has caused the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to raise its sights beyond all previous expectations for an unprecedented scramble of bidders for TV stations in 1950. The FCC, which earlier this year figured on a flood-tide filing of some 1,000 new bids for TV stations soon after the freeze is lifted (The Billboard May 7) has now raised its estimates to somewhere between 1,500 and 2,000 applications to be filed before August, 1950.

The adoption of color TV standards, particularly on a basis authorizing the Radio Corporation of America's (RCA) color system, which requires no special color transmitters and thereby keeps major telecast costs almost the same for color and monochrome, would be a powerful incentive for the mad sramble. It is considered certain that there will be several bidders for every frequency in the medium-sized and larger communities where the FCC's final allocations plan allows room for more stations.

### In or Out in 1950

Inasmuch as the final allocations plan will chart the course for television for years to come, 1950 will be the year for all would-be applicants to get their foot in the door or face the alternative of a complete on the assumption that the FCC will come up with a final allocations plan and standards for color TV within a few months or so after the hearings which start September 26. The commission is under heavy pressure to avoid further delays, particularly in (See Color Luring on page 47)

### Symphony Concert

New York Philharmonic Symphony orchestra of 75 pieces, conducted by Wilfred Pelletier, will be sponsored Wednesday evening, September 21, by E. R. Squibb & Sons. Soloists will James J. Murphy, secretary-treasurer be Bidu Savao, soprano, and Giuseppe DiStefano, tenor, of the Metropolitan Union, and Ben Kaiden, prexy of Opera Company, and Eugene List, New York Ticket Brokers, Inc. pianist.

For the concluding day of the convention, Gillette Razor will present a boxing show in an arena set up in the Grand Ballroom of the Statler. Radio sports announcers will describe the bouts.

Major activity planned for delegates' wives is a luncheon at the Waldorf-Astoria Wednesday, September 21, when Coty, Inc., will offer a gala fashion show. Lily Dache will present a fashion collection in digest form.

Other daytime activities planned include a boat ride on the Hudson, September 21, sponsored by the U.S. Time Corporation, and bus sight-seeing trips next day. On September 19, Harriet Hubard Ayer will offer a dramatic presentation at Town Hall. Called Inside the Theater, it consists of a behind-the-scenes account of the techniques of producing a Broadway play. Stars will be Ilka Chase and Walter Abel, who will participate in the stage discussion as well as the dramatic skit.

### NEW BLUES LABEL

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Cobra Records, a new blues and rhythm line, has been organized here. It issues its first release this week. All disks will be pressed on unbreakable plastic. Sy Newton, company veepee, has already lined up Major in New York, and Belmont in Newark, N. J., to distribute the line, and heads for the Midwest next week to line up distribs there.

week and would report its findings immediately to Mayor William F. O'-Dwyer.

Sauter picked the following committee members: Producers Lee Shubert, Brock Pemberton and Richard Rodgers; Louis A. Lotito, president of A concert at Carnegie Hall by the City Playhouses, Inc.; C. C. Moskowitz, veepee of Loew's Theaters; Clarence Derwent, president of Actors Equity; James Reilly, exec sec of the League of New York Theaters; of the Treasurers and Ticket Sellers'

The mayor injected himself into the Stem sitch this week when he conferred with some 20 reps of the theatrical trades and discussed need of reforms to benefit both the city and theater. It is clearly understood that the committee born out of this

### **Engineers** Ponder **Move To Join CIO**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - The National Association of Broadcast Engineers and Technicians (NABET) last week made it known that the union is considering affiliation with the Communication Workers of America (CWA), affiliated with the Congress of Industrial Organization (CIO). The NABET executive council will discuss the question at a meeting in early October and then submit the proposal to a membership referendum.

CWA is that NABET has long felt the the CWA. Dues would be about the need to bolster its strength in view of same or perhaps a bit higher. The the jurisdictional battles it has had 2,250 NABET members would join with other unions in the radio and about 300,000 engineers in the teletelevision industry. One such dispute with the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE) over television lighting employees is now being heard by the NABET move for affiliation meets Chicago office of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB).

would remain an autonomous unit stronger manner, backed by the CWA within the latter union, probably bankroll.

the committee's agenda was a study of this situation with perhaps a legal code to be embodied in the regulations of the Department of Licenses Also high on the list is the projected amendment of the antiquated building code which prohibits inclusion of theaters in large structures. A third important item will be a concerted effort to improve Broadway's recent stinking nationwide publicity.

"Broadway is the nation's theater center," Sauter pointed out, "We need to make it vital and popular. All this talk about ticket scarcity and \$60-a-seat scalping does incalculable harm to show business. We've got to make the out-of-towner realize that he can have fun in New York without being taken to the cleaners. We've got a fight on our hands to offset the notion that Broadway entertainment is out of reach of the average visitor."

Asked for comment on the week's developments, Murtagh appeared completely satisfied. "It is simply the mayor's way," he said, "of bringing about constructive reform by the most direct means. It is his idea to get the viewpoint of a complete crosssection of the industry and avoid the theoretical for the practical." was only a relatively small part of the whole Broadway problem, Murtagh said he preferred not to commit himself on possible code additions to the License Department regulations, until the committee made its recommendations,

The reason for uniting with the being called the NABET division of phone industry who are members of the CWA. It would also mean that the CIO would get into the radio and television field in a big way. If the with success-and indications are that it will-the radio technicians' union If NABET should join the CWA it will, no doubt, combat IATSE in a

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WTMJ, WAVE, WBEN Serve Gold Coast Legal Array To Partake Petry With Cancellations; Of FCC's Loot Suit In Warning To Stations To Meet Sept. 14

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Indications | Christal imbroglio. are that the protracted dissension between partners in the Ed Petry station rep organization is producing an increasing number of cancellations by top stations now being represented by that company. Such potent stations as WTMJ, Milwaukee; WHAS, Louisville, and WBEN, Buffalo, already have given Petry notice, and others-most of which could not be reached this week-end-are reported having done likewise.

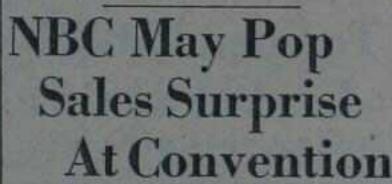
Actually, the notices given Petry by the stations will not be effective for a year, in most cases. In addition, each of the station managers contacted this week by The Billboard declared that they hoped the Petry company's internal situation would be adjusted so that the cancellations could be rescinded.

The station managers also explained that, because of long-term factors in the Petry representation contract, notice has to be given a year in advance. Thus, they declared, their cancellation notices were very much in the way of protective measures. Some Petry stations, on the other hand-KFH, Wichita, Kan., for example-have firm deals, cancellable only 30 days before each calendar year, which means that a cancellation at this time is impossible. A spokesman for the Wichita outlet declared yesterday that he earnestly hoped the Petry problem would be settled before the station's contract came up for renewal.

One station head stated this week that in one measure the scrap has served beneficially, in that it has led Petry to hypo his organization, via the addition of new personnel in New York and Chicago and the establishment of the two separate groups, one for AM and one for TV. This will do (See WTMJ. WAVE, WBEN on 12)

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TRAMMELL LAYS IT ON LINE



NEW YORK, Sept. 3.-The National Broadcasting Company (NBC) hopes to break one of the top sales stories of the year at its convention starting of the FCC during part of the time Wednesday (7) in White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. Details are being kept under tight wraps, but should the anticipated deal go thru it will be one of the web's major accomplishments since the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) started raiding the filed. The court will have a gruelling NBC talent roster.

sion's (FCC)- legal department will be facing one of the most impressive batteries of lawyers ever assembled in an industry case when the litigation brought by three major networks against the FCC's anti-giveaways rulings gets under way. The National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) is planning to add its legal weight to an already impressive industry array of lawyers representing the American Broadcasting Company (ABC). which is challenging the FCC's giveaways crackdown in the Federal Circuit Court in New York.

NAB Prexy Justin Miller, who was formerly on the bench of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in the District of Columbia, will be one of the top counselors. The industry battery will also be able to tap the advice and experience of NBC's Veepee Charles Denny, who was chairman the Commission was girding for its final rulings banning giveaways.

Legalists on both sides are anticipating a long, drawn-out fight, despite the speed with which the complaints against the FCC have been job of examining administrative pro-The pending acquisition involves cedure, judicial precedents, legisla-

# WASHINGTON, Sept. 3. - The Federal Communications Commis- Federal Communications

### **300 Due at Convention**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Niles Trammell, president of the National Broadcasting Company (NBC), is reported all set to warn affiliates meeting at the annual NBC convention at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., next week to " face the facts of life" insofar as they concern American business, radio and television. While the NBC chief will, it is said, be highly optimistic with respect to general business conditions, he is also expected to warn the NBC station owners that the broadcasting industry faces a difficult transitionary period.

It is reported that Trammell's attitude will be that broadcasters no longer have time to "vamp till ready" in meeting the problems raised by the spread of video. He will make it clear that the sound medium is still the most potent advertising force in the U.S. economy, but that each day may be expected to produce new and trying situations for broadcasters. large and small.

### **NBC's** Gains

Trammell and his aids will also tive statutes and policy in the whole spell out the gains made by NBC since its emergency convention in Chicago last February, held immediately after the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) had raided the NBC talent roster. Promises made by NBC then (See Trammell Warns on page 12)

### Battle Within Company

The battle in the station rep company involves Petry and one of his two partners, Henry Christal, and concerns operating policy. Christal is now appealing in the Albany, N. Y., Court of Appeals, a reversal of the original decision in his favor. The third partner, Ed Voynow, in the Chicago office, it is said, is not involved but is reported supporting Petry.

for September 14 in New York. Os- video at the agency. tensibly, the meeting is to discuss the the growing importance of TV, but it is generally assumed within the trade that the major item on the

### one of the top programs currently airing, a large national advertiser and one of the leading ad agences. It also involves television programing as well.

At press time, NBC execs were holding fingers crossed in the hope they'll be able to tie all the loose ends before convention time.

**Taplinger Talent Buyer for K&E** 

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Sylvan Tap- reached for confirmation. linger this week was named radio and television talent buyer for Ken- celed the Noah Webster Says show, yon & Eckhardt. He will report to currently aired on the coast for Wes-Meanwhile, Petry has called a meet- William Chalmers, newly designated son Oil, and instead is picking up ing of all the stations on his string vice-president in charge of radio and Dr. Paul, a soap opera. The program

outfit's future plans in the light of ducer and suffer with the Kate marking a switch for the account from Smith-Ted Collins office, will succeed nighttime to daytime AM.

field of lotteries. The question as to whether the FCC had overextended its authority by issuing the antigiveaways rulings, a question raised by FCC Commissioner Frieda Hennock in her dissent against the threeman FCC decision, is due to touch off volumes of ponderous legal briefs. In NBC May Sked the Supreme Court whatever the Federal Circuit Court decides.

Ben Bodec, who's resigned. Bodec, currently on vacation, is said to be set in a new post but couldn't be

Kenyon & Eckhardt has also canwill be air 1 daytime on about 10 Taplinger, formerly an indie pro- Coast stations, via transcription,

### managers' minds will be the Petry- "Closed Door Showmanship" **Burrows To Groan** With Bing Crosby New NBC Promosh Gimmick

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Abe Burrows has been signed for two guest shows on the upcoming Bing Crosby series for Chesterfield, the series starting shortly on the Columbia Broadflying to Hollywood next week to tape recorded.

Between the two Groaner dates, Burrows will fly back to Cincinnati to huddle, together with the rest of the cast of This Is Broadway, with and to use staff talent-and guest execs of the Avco Manufacturing Company (Crosley Radio), which recently signed to bankroll the program. Broadway wound up its sustaining run this week and will lay off until Avco picks up the tab in of new programs, sustaining or com-October.

new duet-type song for himself and hopes to transmit some of its own Crosby, titled, The No Hair Kids.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The National Broadcasting Company (NBC) is injecting a new note of "closed door" showmanship in the closed circuit session it holds periodically with its casting System (CBS). Burrows will affiliated stations. Briefly, NBC is appear on the series' debut and is now approaching these off-the-air sessions as the they were actual cut the first date. The Crosby show is broadcasts and, in a move to hypo interest in the confabs, is producing them as full fledged programs.

NEC procedure now is to assign a rigular staff producer to the program stars-whenever possible, if necessary by transcription. Thinking behind the gimmick is that thruout the years closed circuit conferences with stations, as well as closed presentations mercial, have become dull and rou-Burrows is reported working on a tine. Under the new procedure, NBC enthusiasm along to its affiliates.

Shows having received this treatment are NBC's upcoming United Nations show and the Ethel Merman stanza, with the Railroad Hour scheduled for a closed door showcasing September 25. Producers assigned to the projects are Paul Roberts and Jim Harvey.

The UN series has had two nonaired plugs, with special appearances put in by Admiral Nimitz; Benjamin Cohen, assistant UN secretary; Norman Corwin; the NBC Symphony (recorded); Warren Austin, U. S. delegate to the UN, and excerpts from Corwin's script for the series. In addition, excerpts from UN documentary by Gibson Parker were used.

The Railroad Hour will feature Gordon MacRae, the show's singer, an orchestra and pick-ups from St. Louis and Chicago with top railroad execs.

# Dave & Henry **Back to Back**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Unless time sales should happily interfere, the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) may program Dave Garroway and Henry Morgan in two backto-back half hours, starting at 10 p.m., with Garroway leading off. NBC is keen on both programs and, after a one-shot guester by Morgan on Garroway's TV series out of Chicago, web programers figure they'll make a natural pair.

If this goes thru, NBC will probably change its plan to spot Morgan, Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis and Ethel Merman in three 20-minute shows on Friday night, Instead, Morgan will be replaced in this pending line-up with one of two other comedy shows NBC has on tap, the Hank Ladd show and Phil Foster's vehicle, Inside Brooklyn.

### Life With Hooper

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) has four sustainers with equal or higher ratings than some of the commercial shows on the current Hooper top 15 list. The 15th show on the Hooper list had a 7.1 rating. The CBS sustainer list included Life With Luigi (9.9), Joan Davis (9.3). Escape (9.2) and Philip Marlowe (7.2).

CBS execs brag that no other network can make that statement.

NEW POST CARD NETWORK

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# Mail Order Net To Bow With **50** Stations

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RADIO-TELEVISION

### Supplants Rate Card

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Over 50 stations have been lined up to participate in a new organization, the Mail it has been learned. Order Network (MON), which will retail merchandise direct to listeners, with each station paid off with a percentage of the sales it makes rather than on card rate. The outfit, headed by Harold Kaye, former exec in the Olian Ad Agency, will bow September 19, with affiliated stations mainly higher-powered network affiliates. The New York outlet is WOR.

Approximately 20 advertisers have been set already by MON, including Beltone hearing aids, Doubleday books, Lorraine Cross nylons and an insurance company. Kaye said he had been approached this week by three of the "big 10" ad agencies to take on mail order products handled by them, and deals for these are now pending. Over 70 items have been turned down by MON as unacceptable, Kaye claims.

Exclusive market arrangements have been set by MON in most top to be masterminding the Schwimmer areas already. Stations have been case. If the suit is started, it will be contracted for in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, Washington, Miami, Jacksonville, Fla.; Tampa, Fla.; Atlanta, Birmingham, New Orleans, Buffalo, Rochester and Albany, N. Y.; Des Moines, Denver, five outlets in Virginia and the Carolinas, five in California and the West Coast and some in Tennessee. better and are web affiliates, mainly of Columbia Broadcasting System or American Broadcasting Company. The Chicago station is a 50-kw. web affiliate, and the Philadelphia station also is a high-powered network outlet. The only indies are in San Diego, Calif., Miami and one or two in the Carolinas.

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Walt Schwimmer, president of Radio Features, Inc., local package org which owns Telo-Test and other syndicated giveaway shows, is planning to file injunction proceedings against the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) as a result of the commission's recent anti-giveaway program promulgation,

Schwimmer Plans

Suit Vs. FCC

Other Giveaways

Schwimmer was out of town and could not be reached. Members of the law firm of Kirkland, Fleming, Green, Martin & Ellis, which is to handle the case, also could not be reached for comment.

Initial reports were that Schwimmer and WGN, Chicago Tribune station, were to take joint action against the FCC, because the station airs about five Radio Feature giveaways. Frank Schreiber, WGN manager, told The Billboard, however, that he did not see why he should be a party to the suit and had so stated to Schwimmer. As a result, he said, he did not know if or when Schwimmer intended to bring suit.

Kirkland, Fleming, Green, Martin & Ellis is the law firm of WGN and the Tribune. Firm's Washington radio expert, Louis Caldwell, is said to be masterminding the Schwimmer filed in Federal Court here.

# **ABC Faces Affils' Beefs On Net Time Allotments**

Indiana, Wisconsin and Minnesota abling the stations to air network shows in choice web option time. shows at times not desired by top local sponsors. The meetings here (September 29-30) found the web countering with the claim that its ad-

# N. Y. Politicos To Spend 100G In AM Drive

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- By the time the political campaign here winds up in early November, the Democratic, Republican, Fusion, American Labor and Liberal parties will have spent a total of at least \$100,000 for radio time, according to authoritative estimates. The Citizens Committee for the election of Newbold Morris to mayor, which cuts across party lines, will put out between 25 and 30G alone. The Democratic party will "It's. Your Life" match that, and may go a few grand higher. The rest of the dough will come from the other parties and from the several other campaigns being waged.

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Managers of | vertisers would not allow such a prothe American Broadcasting Company cedure. The station managers, in mak-(ABC) affiliated stations in Illinois, ing the request, emphasized that local sales were dropping, and they were this week asked the network to pro- having difficulty making community vide a more flexible schedule, en- sales while obliged to take network

Conversely, some affiliates complained about the ABC practice of selling solit-station schedules which prevented many affiliates in smaller markets from receiving network revenue. To this ABC countered that more and more advertisers were pulling away from the part practice of full network buying, that stations were being bought only where sales could be upped and that there was nothing that ABC could do about it.

Robert Kintner, ABC executive veepee, assured affiliates that there was nothing to renewed rumors that 20th Century-Fox again was renewing negotiations for the web. Kintner said that the film company talks had never been renewed since they were broken off several months ago and that as far as he knew "the network will not be sold."

# **Johnson Firm Drops**

CHICAGO, Sept. 3. - It's Your Life, award-winning public service program, which has been sponsored for more than a year by Johnson & Aside from its mayoralty indorse- Johnson on WMAQ, local National ment of Morris, the Republican party Broadcasting Company (NBC) stawill have to shell out to pay for tion, last week lost its angel when John Foster Dulles's senatorial race. J&J announced it was dropping the Herbert Lehman, the Democratic and show because "black and white advertising is more effective for our present advertising needs," Sponsorair time. Several parties are also ship drop becomes effective October

### **Percentage Deals**

Payment to a station is based on a percentage of the total receipts it time. The percentage varies, but Kaye said it will range up from 50 per cent of the take. Each affiliate must take a minimum of one hour supply as much as requested, up to about 35 hours weekly. This programing, supplied free to its affiliates, will consist mostly of recordings and/or transcriptions, depending on time to be used, and the station's audience and location. Commercials for MON clients will be custommade for each station.

Kaye said MON will restrict the time of its commercials to the National Association of Broadcasters ing, 11/2 to 2 minutes in the middle Quizzer for WOR-TV and a 30 to 40-second closing reminder in each show. He said he hoped to "bring ethics to radio mailorder selling." In an hour show, some six products might be offered; in shows running longer, the number might be reduced to four. Products will be pre-tested and offered with a money-back guarantee.

An audience-building contest will be part of MON's tee-off promotion plans, with up to \$20,000 in prizes, the air, Big Joe, a wee-hour airer on cases of other years based on clues Communications Commission to move tical with those in force at the other including a new auto, in its first con-WOR, featuring Joe Rosenfield,

### **DL** To Streamline **Operation of KTSL**

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 3 .- Don Lee will streamline operations of its tele outlet, KTSL (W6XAO). Effective Most stations are 500-watters or Monday (12) station will abandon its present Thursday-to-Monday air time in favor of a Monday-thru-Friday sked, and will take a new approach to programing. All potential new program packages will be "polished" and provided closed-circuit previews before live audiences. Studio audience will then fill out preview cards with suggestions. After an ironingout process, package will then be aired on a one-shot basis, kined, and the film submitted to sponsors.

Don Lee's costly Mount Lee plant obtains, rather than on card rate for will be closed down, with all studio program originations coming from web's new Vine Street building. A motion picture workshop will be established, with acting, writing and programing daily, but MON will production personnel to be taken from the pic industry. Outlet will soon Republicans will not start their get a third remote pick-up truck to give station greater flexibility in covering special events and out-of-thestudio airers. Action marks the first major move made by Don Lee's video veepee, Charles L. Glett, since he took the newly created post three months ago.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Bob Jennings this week was reported to have set his crime quiz show, Five Clues to the Crime, for a video run at WOR-TV, when that station commences operations in October. The show aired locally here as a radio stanza on WMGM.

The three panel members are likely to remain the same, with racketbusters Burton Turkus and Tony Marsloe and crime reporter Harry provided. The station is now awaitoffered by the emsee.

Liberal party choice for the same office, will add to the spending for putting up individual candidates for 9. borough president. This means they, too, will have to dig down to hallyhoo their choices for this office.

So far most of the parties have not made any radio commitments, but most of the indie stations will get a large share of the melon. In the last mayoralty struggle the Citizens Committee for the election of LaGuardia spent 39G and a good portion of it went to the indies.

day (7) when the start of the cam- lished for sabbath afternoons. It is paign for Morris will be aired over also said that J&J's sales campaign WJZ, WMCA, WQXR, WINS, WMGM and WFDR-FM, all New York sta- many products (9) of the sponsor tions. The time was bought by Morris were plugged at different times. Novik, radio chairman of the Citizens Committee. The Democrats and spending until after primary day, September 15.

### KRON-TV To Bow As NBC Affil in Oct.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3. -Jennings PlansCrime KRON-TV is scheduled to take to the Broadcasting Company (NBC) outlet for this area. With this latter channel coming alive, the local audience is assured a wide selection of the best video shows. KPIX will carry the top Columbia Broadcasting System video offerings, and KGO-TV will have the cream of the American crop.

KFRC will add its link to the Mutual Broadcasting System-Don Lee chain as swiftly as housing can be ing the green light from the Federal

Despite the official J&J statement. some local sources said program had suffered from unusual commercial policies As a five-a-week, 15-minute daytime series, it had upped its Hooper to a 3.1, in face of strong opposition from scap operas. Then J&J moved show to a half-hour Sunday afternoon slot not assisted by adjacent programs. NBC constantly moved shows around it and as a result no The radio kick-off comes Wednes- steady listening pattern was estabwas not too successful because too

> Ben Park, originator and producer of the program for the Chicago Industrial Health Association, package owner, said show was being pitched to insurance, pharmaceutical and sonp companies for network airing. He said he felt the program could do its best job as a five-a-week morning show which would attract fems now tuning to sompers.

### WGAN-AFRA Pact: Gabbers Get \$50

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 3. -WGAN, local Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) amlinte, has signed a contract with the American Fed-Radio Artists (AFRA), eration of making it the fourth and last station Broadcasting Company's television in this city to come to an agreement with the radio performers' union. The pact will give the six announcers at WGAN a minimum of \$50 a week, which hikes to \$65 after three years.

The waste scales and conditions at the CBS outlet are practically iden-

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# Waring-GE Fold Cues Webs' Complaints Prompt **Commercial Curfew at 10:30**

Waring radio show, which had been Reynolds for Grand Ole Opry. airing in the 10:30 p. m. Thursday time on National Broadcasting Com- Sundays, formerly held by Ludens pany (NBC), this week was dropped for Strike It Rich, is unoccupied so by General Electric (GE). Batten, far this year. Camels retains the Barton, Durstine & Osborn (BBDO) Monday time slot. Tuesdays and is the agency. The move raised a Wednesdays, both unsponsored last question about a return to AM radio year, still are unsold. Thursdays, by GE, and also about 10:30 p.m which held Campana's First Nighter, becoming an official curfew for com- is unsold this year. Fridays, too, are mercial network radio.

where NBC was sold out in its 10:30 ago. Saturdays, which housed It Pays periods every night last season, it To Be Ignorant as a co-op, now has has two nights open at that hour at 15 minutes sold to Arrid for Sing It present. Columbia Broadcasting Com- Again, pany (CBS), which had two sustainers and one co-op airing at 10:30 last MBS Lists \$5-Mil season, now has five nights open. American Broadcasting Company and Mutual Broadcasting System have virtually no commercials sold at this hour.

### Season's Line-Up

Last season, 10:30 Sunday on NBC was sold to Philip Morris; this year it is filled by Pet Milk. Monday was held by GE last year; this season is open. Tuesday of both years was sold to Brown & Williamson. Wednesday was Rexall's last season, with Mars Candy this year. Thursday now is open, but it was occupied by Eddie Cantor for Pabst in 1948-49. Fridays, for 15 minutes, Bill Stern again will gab for Colgate, as a year ago. Sat-

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The Fred urdays again is bought by R. J.

On CBS, the picture is even bleaker. vacant to date, tho they held Coca-A check of web skeds shows that Cola's Spike Jones show a season

# **Billings Despite Philip Morris Kayo**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Execs at the Mutual Broadcasting System (MBS) this week stated that the web's new billings and renewals in the last two weeks have totaled \$5,000,000. In spite of the fact that Philip Morris cigarettes recently dropped its two daytime airers, the net figures it will make much more on its new bankroller, since it does not get the discount the cigarette company received. New business includes: The Light-

crust Doughboys, starting Monday (5) for the Burris Milling & Elevator

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.-The District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission will stage a hearing late this month to permit the formal airing of protests against the transit radio system of WWDC-FM and the Capital Transit Company. Authorization previously granted to the carrier to install FM receivers in busses and streetcars will be re-examined in the light of scores of complaints filed against broadcast reception on busses, the commission said.

**D.** C. Bus FM Probe

There has been a steady stream of complaints to the commission to local newspapers, and even to President Truman ever since the receivers were installed some months ago. Numerous souawks have come from riders who complain that the broadcasts disrupt their reading, relaxation and conversation to and from work. Telephoned complaints have become so common at the D. C. Utilities Commission that when a reporter phoned the commission to find out about the date for the hearing on the transit radio system, the phone operator chirped: "D'ya wanna make a complaint, too?"

### FCC To Put KMPC **On Temporary Basis**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3.-The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is set to reject the renewal application of the G. A. Richards staby putting the station on a temporary license basis, pending the outcome of hearings on charges that Richards ordered news slantings and the Richards proposal for shifting his radio holdings to three trustees. Similar action will be taken on Richards's Detroit Station, WJR, when the renewal bid of that outlet is received. The third Richards station involved in the hearings, WGAR, Cleveland, has been operating on temporary licenses for nearly a year, with another extension having been granted by the commission this week. The regular licenses of both KMPC and WJR will expire November 1, according to FCC records. Both will probably be given a temporary license running until February 1, with additional three-month extensions to follow until the Richards case is finally settled. The latest temporary license for WGAR carries that station until December 1.

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### **Five Departments Take Part**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Insiders at the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) report that the staffers there lately have been demonstrating a degree of enthusiasm and team play seldom evidenced in the web's history. On the level of interdepartmental co-operation there is an especially significant new note being injected as the result of a series of staff meetings inaugurated three weeks ago at the behest of the network's program department.

The meetings are held every Monday, with representatives of the program, promotion, sales, news and press departments attending. Each department rep brings the others up to the minute on plans under way in his own balliwick; quite frequently a projected operation is dropped when one department argues that the project may have harmful or risky results. In addition, considerable attention is given to discussion of promotion, sales and publicity strategy in the light of tougher-than-ever web competition.

Most important of all, however, according to some of the participants, has been the increase in participation tion KMPC, Los Angeles, and counter (See NBC's Esprit De Corps, page 12)

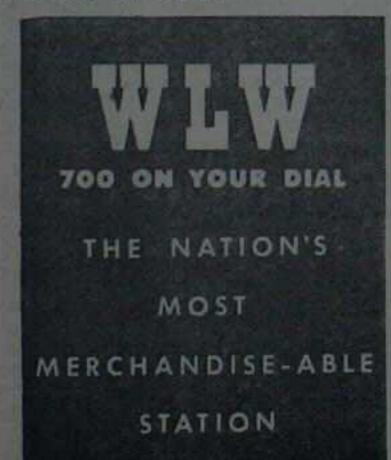
### **3 N. Y. Outlets Okay** FM Huddle; 2 Veto

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Three New York FM stations already have accepted the invitation extended by WFDR, (FM), New York, to participate in a move to create a new metropolitan FM organization, WFDR execs stated this week. At the same time two of the 23 stations invited have rejected the bid.

Stations accepting are WJZ-FM, WOR-FM and WFMN, Alpine, N. J. They will be represented at a meeting at the Park Sheraton Hotel, New York, Thursday (8), by Murray Grabhorn, Joe Creamer and Tex Faught, respectively. Morris Novik, radio Pontiac May Buy consultant for the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union (ILGWU), owners of WFDR, who called the meeting, will preside.

WCBS-FM and WMGM-FM rejected the invite. WMGM-FM said that it wasn't interested; WCBS-FM that it couldn't send its manager, Dick Swift because of prior commitments. The Frequency Modulation Associa-

tion (FMA) is sending its executive director, Ed Sellers.



Company; The Doubleday Quiz Club, starting September 19, and the Doubleday news program starting September 25; John B. Kennedy, beginning September 24 for Murine; Man on the Farm, starting October 8 for Quaker Oats, and Gabriel Heatter starting September 20, for the Rhodes Pharmacal Company.

MBS also has two sports features that will bring in plenty of money. Gillette once again will sponsor the World Series in October, and Ballentine will sponsor the Marcel Cerdan-Jake LaMotta fight from the Polo Grounds September 28.

Renewals include Helbros Watch Williamson Candy, General Foods and Ralston Purina.

# **CBS** Sports Time

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .-- Pontiac Motors is mulling the purchase of two of the five-a-week video sports shows aired on Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS)-TV, 7 to 7:15 p.m. A decision is to be reached soon.

However, in the event the show cannot be sold as a 15-minute nightly feature, execs in the sports department are considering changing its format to half-hour, once-a-week show. This program would probably be scheduled on Saturday and would resemble an augmented Red Barber's Clubhouse.

### **Acree Firm Preps** TV Web Shows

CHICAGO, Sept. 3.-Chuck Acree, head of Feature Productions here, this week revealed his company was preparing a series of network TV shows. To date the company, which produced Ladies Be Seated, Hint Hunt and other net radio programs, has not been in the TV field.

Shows readied by Feature include a TV version of Hint Hunt; Something To Talk About, a combination human oddity and film news program, and several quiz programs. Plans for Hint Hunt call for AM-TV simulcast. attend the gathering.

### **Richfield Oil To Air Grid Results on ABC**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.-Richfield Oil this week bought the 7:30 to 7:45 p.m. time Saturdays on the American Broadcasting Company (ABC). The show, as yet unnamed, will feature football results, and will tee off September 17. No sportscaster has been assigned as yet.

The program, to air over 55 stations, was set thru the Morey, Hamm & Johnstone Agency.

### **AIMS To Huddle** In Chi Sept. 21-22

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The fall meeting of the Association of Independent Metropolitan Stations (AIMS) will be held at the Stevens Hotel, Chicago, September 21 and 22. The confab will discuss group promotion, sales projects of the indies, the exchange of program features and pass on new applicants.

Over 25 stations are expected to

### **Collingwood Named** 'Platform' Moderator

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Charles Collingwood, Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) Washington correspondent, this week was selected permanent moderator on the CBS-TV program, The People's Platform, He replaces Dwight Cooke.

The discussion program was recently acquired for sponsorship by the Household Finance Corporation, beginning October 7. It is on Friday evenings from 10 to 10:30 p.m. John Peyser will direct; Leon Levine, produce, and Lyman Bryson, director of the CBS division of discussion, supervise.



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# AFRA To Draw Up Standard AFRA Renews Pact AFRA Turmoil **Contracts for All Members**

tional board of American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) was ordered by the union's convention here last week to frame individual standard form contracts covering all AFRA categories. Standard form pacts will then be brought before the nets when contract renewal talks begin next year and will figure as one of the low. primary issues in the negotiations. Need for individual members to be armed with standard contract forms was claimed by a San Francisco delegate who charged that the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) in the Bay City has demanded AFRAites-net's regular staffers as well as free-lancers-to sign company drafted agreements. Terms of the CBS papers, he said, are in conflict with AFRA. If the AFRA member had at his disposal a union-prepared standard form contract, this could be used in place of the company pacts, inasmuch as terms of these contracts had been not later than January 1, 1950. agreed upon by the union and employers during earlier negotiations.

Other delegates asked that the standard form pacts be drafted as soon as possible and that AFRA negotiate their acceptance with the webs before January 1, 1950. George Heller, union's national exec, said contracts are now in existence with the nets and agencies and that latter cannot be approached for further negotiation until presently existing agreements expire.

Other proposals passed:

means of streamlining AFRA's future conventions, by possibly limiting discussion time on resolutions, effecting a time-saving means of tak- (NLRB) to settle jurisdiction. ing roll call, etc. Opponents claimed convention afforded only time for AFRA-ites to meet, and no "efficiency experts" were needed to curb thoro airing of issues. 2. AFRA's Chicago local be permitted to negotiate with slide film manufacturers in the Windy City, establishing rates for members who record film strip tracks. Members of

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3 .- Na- both the Hollywood and New York delegations protested, charging film tion of Radio Artists (AFRA) reslide industry exists in their cities newed its contracts with the area's usual tranquility surrounding the 10th and in Detroit, hence, if AFRA is to organize the field, it should be handled nationally rather than be treated as a local issue. Heller intervened. stating that Chicago's terms will have to first receive the sanction of the national board, thereby establishing the precedent for other locals to fol-

> 3. National board study the probthem to compete with U. S. outlets, cutting into their revenue, thereby limiting the ability of near-by American stations to boost salaries. Altho the resolution was presented by the Detroit local, board was ordered to investigate the Mexican border stations as well as those in Canada.

of an educational booklet telling 1950. Santa Monica's KOWL still reready for distribution to all locals Cue continuing first contract negotia-

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 3 .- Hollywood local of the American Federa-13 indic stations and agreed to extend existing pacts for another year. According to Claude McCue, AFRA's Western regional head, the union took into consideration the present plight of indies and therefore did not seek to boost its demands.

Stations inking for another year include KFWB, KMPC, KLAC, KGER, KFOX, KRKD, KFAC. lem or unorganized border stations KFVD, KXLA, KWKW, KGFJ and AFRA's conservative and liberal where non-union conditions permit KIEV. Thirteenth station is KWIK, factions that kept the Saturday night recently purchased by the International Garment Workers' Union as the AM counterpart of its frequency modulation KFMV outlet. McCue local, was finally killed. Second, a said AFRA has reached an agreement with KWIK for a joint AM-FM pact covering both stations. KGIL, only bill before Congress (HR 5952, HR other organized indie outlet, does not 5481 and U.S. Senate 2167) permitting 4. Board to undertake preparation come up for contract renewal until the American National Theater and AFRA's story, the pamphlet to be mains outside AFRA's fold, with Mctions.

# **Tele Jurisdiction Battle Pends SAG-4A's Standoff**

(Continued from page 3) no solution is reached, however, SAG ing clarification.

could heave a monkey wrench into the TV jurisdictional plan that could 1. National board study ways and result in a protracted log jam in the organization of video talent. This could result should SAG appeal to the National Labor Relations Board

Voting Problems

tion would also require time-consum-

It is obvious that no union could hope to negotiate agreements for tele while the question of jurisdiction remained open. The whole purpose of the proposed merger of the 4A's branches into TA is to establish jurisdiction. Actors' Equity, the American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) and other 4A unions all



SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3 .- Unannual convention of the American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) was severely jolted when delegates were asked to endorse two measures now bfore Congress and supported by the Associated Actors and Artistes of America (Four A's). First called for the convention to support passage of the Economic Expansion Act of 1949, and resulted in a flare-up between session running into early Sunday, Conservative group won and the resolution, proposed by the New York resolution submitted by Actors' Equity, asked AFRA's support of a Academy to operate a non-segregated theater in Washington.

Latter resolution appeared headed for a fate similar to the first, when George Heller, AFRA national executive secretary, intervened on its behalf. Heller spoke frankly, telling delegates that at a time when their union is fighting for a plate in the video sun, it needs the support of Equity. Inasmuch as Equity submitted the resolution, he suggested the convention play ball with its sister union in the Four A's and approve it, With Heller's weight behind it, the resolution was passed.

Conservatives fought against both measures, contending they in no way involved or promised benefit for AFRA, and therefore the union should take no part in their passage. Harry Von Zell spearheaded the conservative line of thinking, and succeeded in tabling the expansion act resolution. In asmuch as this means no further discussion could be permitted on the resolution, a cry of protest came up from the liberal side claiming that freedom of expression was being stifled. Von Zell explained he was under the impression that there had been sufficient discussion, but that he had no intention of denying anyone the right to express his opinions. Convention was then caught upon the reefs of parliamentary procedure as Von Zell fought to "untable" the resolution and throw it open for discussion. Despite two roll call votes, which came only after oral and show-of-hand balloting in each case, the expansion act resolution finally died after hours of wrangling.

### **Ruth Lyons Heads** WLW-T Programing

CINCINNATI, Sept. 3. - Ruth Lyons, local radio personality for over 20 years, this week was named program director of WLW-T here.

In addition to her new job, Miss would be increased soon. Principal Lyons will continue her Morning Matinee and Fifty Club programs reason for this line of thought is that aired daily over WLW. The latter William S. Paley, CBS board chairshow goes on WLW-T Monday (12). man, is expected back at his desk on

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Before the NLRB could make such claimed video as their bailiwick. a decision, time-consuming elections While SAG's claim remains unsettled, would have to be held. Exactly which the situation will remain as muddled performer could vote in such an elec- as ever.

# **CBS** Reported Prepping More Integration of Operations

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Speculation | a full-time basis after Labor Day, with among staffers at the Columbia integration supposedly high on the Broadcasting System (CBS) this agenda, It is anticipated that the next CBS week centered on reports that the network's move toward further intedepartment to be unified will be the gration of its AM and TV operations

program department. CBS now has autonomous AM and TV program staffs, altho program board meetings are chaired by Hub Robinson, now AM program vice-president. Insiders at CBS claim that Robinson is slated to be assigned to head up both AM and TV programing. Charlie Underhill is now CBS TV program director and undoubtedly will remain in that post.

However, should Robinson be named to head the combined operations, it would raise a question as to the CBS table of organization. Specifically, it would concern Robinson and Jack Van Volkenburg, CBS TV vice-president and the relation said to exist under any change in set-up.

Previously, CBS had integrated its public affairs and news department, taking this step just as the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) was moving in the opposite direction with its plans for separate AM-TV organizations.

### COLLYER RE-ELECTED

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3 .- Clayton (Bud) Collyer was re-elected president of the American Federation of Radio Artists (AFRA) during its 10th annual convention here, August 25-28. With few exceptions, the incumbent slate was returned to office.

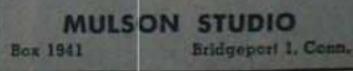
**Goodrich Rubber Inks Rubbernecks** 

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Celebrity Time, which had been regarded as shaky, this week was renewed by B. F. Goodrich Company on the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) video network. The show, which airs Sunday nights, is a World video package, produced in conjunction with United World Films,

Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn is the agency.

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### Set-Up Now Inadequate

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Representatives of major television networks have asked James C. Petrillo, chief of the American Federation of Musicians (AFM), to meet with them as quickly as possible to set up scales covering fees for musicians on kinescope recording. This development is expected to clarify finally the entire problems of AFM scales covering not only kinescope recordings but films in general. At present, the only existing AFM-TV scale covers payments to musicians on live programs.

Petrillo this week admitted that TV interests were pressing the AFM for a kine scale. It was further ascertained that television networks, in particular, were in a hurry to get the matter over with inasmuch as the lack of such a scale is hamstringing the networks' programing operations. It was learned the request to negotiate was sent by the networks this week, and that Petrillo indicated he would like a brief delay. The chances are the get-together will come shortly after the convention of the National Broadcasting Company (NBC), sched- "to keep my mind open at all times uled to begin next week at White concerning what I'm going to do with Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

"Lone Ranger" Lands in Dough

WAN' AFW

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.-American Bakeries this week signed to bankroll the Lone Ranger video film series over Southeastern affiliates of the American Broadcasting Company (ABC). The business was placed thru the Tucker Wayne Agency and is effective with the start of the series, late this month.

General Mills is sponsoring Ranger on most ABC outlets.

### Schreiber Denies Preston Ax Rumors

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Denying rumors which have been persistently circulating in the trade here for about two weeks, Frank Schreiber, general manager of WGN, this week said that he was not planning to ask for the resignation of Walter Preston, station's program director.

"Of course these rumors are not true," Schreiber said. "Preston is now engaged in revamping and strengthening our program structure. Vould it be logical for me to dismiss a man when he is engaged in such important work, and, in fact, is right in the middle of his job?"

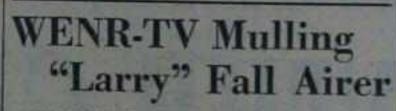
Schreiber refused to admit, however, that there would be no changes in his program department in the future. "I reserve the right," he said,

# NAB Adds 35 TV - ers; **Signals Grips With TBA?**

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 .- Gearing | applications but also pushing a vigstation licensing by the Federal Com-National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) is waging a TV membership drive which has already produced 35 TV members and which will touch off of directors in November for authorization for vaster expansion in TV activities. The latest NAB development is signaling a showdown with the Television Broadcasters Association (TBA).

The showdown phase for both organizations is figured at hand, with the FCC not only trying to clear the decks for lifting of the freeze on TV



CHICAGO, Sept. 3.-Larry on Lo-cation, ill-fated TV puppet show which WBKB used for a few weeks to replace Kukla, Fran & Ollie while the latter program was vacationing, undoubtedly will be aired in the fall by WENR - TV, local American Broadcasting Company (ABC) station, it was learned last week. WBKB axed Larry after critics panned it as an unworthy imitation of Kukla and Wayne Coy in connection with the

for a post-freeze boom in television orous policy against construction delays among 100-odd present holdmunications Commission (FCC), the ers of TV construction permits. Since the FCC is aiming to issue color TV standards simultaneously with the lifting of the freeze and the issuance of TV allocations, the rush a recommendation to the NAB board for TV licenses is certain to be on a gigantic scale.

### Member Drive

The NAB's current drive for TV members is being credited heavily to Clair McCollogh, chairman of the NAB's Structural Reorganization Committee, who has been championing the organization's expansion TVwise. There were only three TV members of the NAB when McCollogh went into action. Lined up in the NAB are all TV stations owned and operated by the National Broadcasting Company (NBC), and according to NAB-ers, all stations of the other webs are likely to be in the NAB camp soon.

Incidental to the TV membership drive, the NAB is expecting an increase in AM and FM members in the course of the association's district meetings which get under way in Cincinnati next week. The organization's total membership is now 1,760.

There is still some mention of both Jess Willard and FCC Chairman after the station and the program's TBA presidency. Neither Willard nor

### Current Set-Up

The networks want a more liberal use of kinescope film. Currently, (See AFM Wooed on page 20)

### United World Issues Local Station Series

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - United World Films, Inc., video arm of Universal International Films, has released two series of films for syndication to local stations. The series are Stranger Than Fiction and Half-Time Extras. The former is a reedited film prepared originally for theater release, while Extras was made for American Tobacco Company last year to be shown between halves of football games sponsored by Luckies, and now is to be sold to local stations or sponsors.

Fiction, made originally as eight to 10-minute features, has been reedited into video shows running about 121/2 minutes. Extras runs 51/2 to 61/2 minutes each, with 10 films to the series. Prices for local sales depend upon the set circulation in each area.

### Lum, Abner Need AM **B.R.; May Simulcast**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.-Indications are that unless Lum 'n' Abner snag a radio sponsor, they will go on simulcast for the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS). Insiders at the web claim that there is a prospective bankroller in the picture for the hillbilly comics.

Web program execs have not slotted the program as yet, because they are evidently waiting for the sponsor to come to a decision.

Also at CBS, Escape goes into the 10:30 to 11 p.m. Thursday slot, starting October 6. This is the time being vacated by Campana's First-Nighter The selection of Escape was made so that CBS would continue its mystery mood programing that night.

my staff. The future will speak for itself."

### Schaeffer Pen Buys **CBS Wkly. Sport Pic**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Schaeffer Pen Company this week bought This Week in Sports, a filmed summary of the week's athletic activity, for presentation over Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS)-TV each Tuesday, 10-10:15 p.m., beginning September 20. The package was put together by Tele-News Features, an International News Service subsidiary. No sportscaster has been selected vet to handle commentary on the film. Russell M. Seeds is the agency for the client.

producer, Les Weinrott, had disagreed Coy has commented. over price for the package.

A few weeks ago when it was rumored that WENR-TV was going to take over the show, ABC execs said they would air it only if it were sold. Now, however, they say that they will telecast it sustaining locally, if necessary, and try to sell it for net sponsorship.

### **Kudner Options New** TV Drama, "T Men"

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The Kudner Agency has taken an option on T Men a new video dramatic series built around case histories in the files of the Treasury Department, No talent has been set yet for the program.

The package is owned by Al Levy.

# Ken Murray in 3G Pay or Play Deal With CBS; LSMFT Due

Cigarettes (American Tobacco Company) is expected to close its deal for the Ken Murray video revue on the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS)-TV next week. The starting date of the show will probably be the second week in October. According to Murray's contract with the web he cannot be aired before 7 p.m. or after 9 p.m. on weekdays and before 6 or after 9 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. The show is expected to be scheduled Saturday evening from 8 to 9, but Murray says he does not care too much for that time slot,

sponsor for the 39-week contract is estimated at \$1,600,000. Murray's personal cut will be \$3,750 a week, plus uprooted his entire producing orhalf of the profits on the package. Under the comedian's three-year pact with the net, he will get a minimum Hollywood, was that he wanted to of \$2,750 each week, even if he does not work. For seven years there- lieves, is no adequate substitution for to the Mitch Hamilburg Agency after CBS has first refusal on what- live programing.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Lucky Strike | ever TV programs and ideas Murray produces.

> Murray signed with CBS because National Broadcasting Company (NBC) nor the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) would match.

### **Guest Stars**

The first four guest stars on his show will be John Garfield, John Wayne, Brian Aherne and Robert Cummings. Murray plans to use many of the personnel from his legit show, Blackouts, which opens on Broadway Tuesday (6). The scripting on the TV revue will be by Royal Foster, The time and talent cost to the with lyrics by Foster and music by Charlie Henderson.

Murray states that the reason he ganization and left the Coast after an eight-year stand at the El Capitan,

### Louisiana Casters Headed by Lanford

SHREVEPORT, La., Sept. 3 .- The annual meeting of the Louisiana Association of Broadcasters held here last week was concluded with the election of T. B. Landford, of KRMD, Shreveport, as prexy for a year to succeed Roy Dabadie, of WJEO, Baton Rouge.

Other new officers: L. K. Corkern Jr., WIKC, Bogalusa, veepee, and Robert W. Drumm, KNOE, Monroe, secretary-treasurer. The confab was attended by more than 40 managers and executives from all over the State.

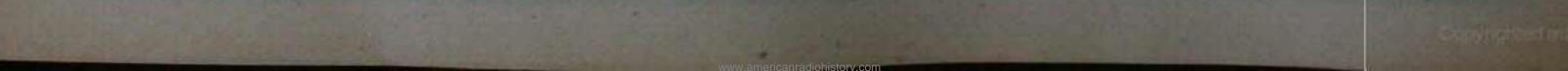
### **KGO Gets Stanford Home Grid Games**

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3 .- KGO, American Broadcasting Company (ABC) affiliate, this week came up with a prize catch when it snared the tele rights to the home grid games of Stanford University at Palo Alto. Stanford will get \$20,000 for the video his pact with the web contains certain rights. The games include San Jose annuity provisions that neither the State, Harvard, Michigan, UCLA, Oregon State, Santa Clara, Idaho and California. The Associated Oil Company will sponsor.

KPIX is believed to be making a pitch for the home games of the University of California at Berkeley.

### HOT SHOTS AUDITION

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 3.-Hoosier Hot Shots video package will get its audition kine Friday (9) at National Broadcasting Company. The filmrecording-stage comedy combo (4) will be assisted by Irving Bacon, Taylor Holmes, Austin Gordon and Charles La Torre. Jimmy Doolittle will produce with Howard Petrie get into TV this year. Kine, he be- handling narration. Package belongs which handles the Hot Shots.



### The Billboard

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS), which has been giving its comic, Robert Q. Lewis, a build-up for some time, has apparently decided that the bespectacled Q.'s future is in TV. The and now is showing a moderate but web has decided to star him in a halfhour video revue starting this fall.

The decision was made after Lewis clicked as a replacement for Arthur Godfrey on the latter's hour-long Chesterfield TV commercial. The web seems to figure Q. should be seen and not just heard. -

### Admiral Makes Bid For NBC's "Lights"

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Admiral Radio & Television Corporation this week sent in a firm order for National Broadcasting Company's (NBC) Lights Out TV program. Starting date of the order for the full net purchase is Friday, October 8. 8:30 to 9 p.m.

Admiral last year sponsored Broadway Review on NBC, but dropped it because of high and uncertain costs. Recently it has been considering both Lights Out and Garroway at Large, but finally decided in favor of Lights,

### Piels Buys DuMont Boxing

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Piels Brewing Company this week purchased boxing bouts from White Plains Arena for presentation over the Du-Mont TV network. Telecasts will begin Tuesday, October 4, at 9:30 p.m. Jimmy Powers will describe the action for video fight fans. The deal was set thru the William Esty Company, agency for the sponsor.

# Seems Like TV's WINS Now in Black; Avco Writes In Q.'s Future Off Million of Purchase Price

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- After years of operating in the red WINS, New York, has finally turned the corner steady profit. Meanwhile the station's owner, Avco Manufacturing Company (WLW, Crosley Radio), which has had the outlet up for sale for some time, has taken it off the block and intends to hold on to it permanently.

Converting WINS from a persistent loser since virtually the day it went on the air took over a year to do. The station originally was owned by Hearst Radio, Inc., and was regarded as little more than a stepchild whose mission was to exploit the Hearst papers in New York. In June, 1945, Hearst entered into a sale agreement with Powel Crosley Jr., who at that time owned WLW and the other phases of Crosley Radio, calling for the transfer of WINS to Crosley for \$2,100,000, of which \$400,000 was to be free air time for the Hearst New York Mirror.

### FCC Okays Sale

Subsequently, Crosley sold out to Avco, which had to assume the WINS obligation. After protracted hearings and delays the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) finally okayed the sale but eliminated the 400G free time deal, Avco acquiring WINS for \$1,700,000.

station Avco has also decided to write off about \$1,000,000 of the WINS purchase price-Avco had it up for sale at \$1,250,000. The write-off is predicated on the theory that because of a swollen purchase price the opreturn an adequate profit.

After the transfer to Avco the losses continued and in the first year under new management totaled \$250,000. In October, 1947, Avco assigned Eldon Park, then program vice-president of WLW, to take over WINS as manager. His first discovery was that as it was then operating WINS would lose money even if sold out completely.

### Park Realigns

Since then, despite increasing the staff, Park has streamlined the opchanged the programing policy to focus on block pop music programs and converted the loss into a profit. Park also eliminated lines between New York and Cincinnati - they hadn't proved able to support themselves-and developed several lucrative shows, notably the Jack Lacey disk jockey sessions.

The station turned the corner about a year after Park assumed direction, but for the first three months of this year the operation sagged, a situation Park attributes directly to television. It was the time the new medium seemed to have its greatest effect on the thinking of agencies and advertisers; since then the realization that AM can't be shunted aside has been growing and is being reflected in the station's billings. July was up 10 per cent over last year and August 12 per cent. Park is con-Since deciding to hold on to the vinced that WINS and other New York indies will be able to weather TV with less trouble than the networks.

gent of top station execs to Saranac pears as if promotion will take the Lake, N. Y., where, at a week-end form of heavy newspaper advertiseration could never be expected to meeting, they will map out next ing, plugs on WBKB and trailers in year's programing operation.

# WBKB To Air 25 Hours of **CBS TV Segs**

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CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- WBKB, local Balaban & Katz station which has operated as the only local indie TV outlet to date, will shortly begin airing about 25 hours per week of programs fed by the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS). WGN-TV has been the CBS affiliate here. Officially the new affiliate contract between CES and WBKB is to start October eration, revamped the rate structure, 16, but before that, the B&K station will begin taking the net's shows. The new WBKB-CBS line-up will be: Lucky Pup, Toast of the Town, Dr. Polgar, Silver Theater, Studio One, Goldbergs, Suspense, Arthur Godfrey and Inside U. S. A.

In addition, CBS has asked for time reservations for the following slots: Wednesday, 8:30 to 9 p.m.; Thursday, 7 to 7:30 p.m. and 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. Saturday 7 to 8 p.m. WBKB did not have the dates on which programs would start in these slots:

WBKB is dropping only about nine hours per week of local programing, about two hours of it commercial, in order to take the CBS shows, because much of the new net programing will be aired at times the station formerly was not on the air. About 15 hours of present local programing will be continued.

Execs of CBS are expected here in a few weeks to work out promotion to be used here to hypo local change This week Park headed a contin- in network affiliation. So far it ap-Book movie houses.

what's an auto got to do with Mrs. Murphy's

### A LOT, SIR-really.

Please read carefully. It's a pretty thrilly thing:

It began in May, as many things are apt to do. It began with 1,735 personal interviews for WOR by Pulse, Inc. in autodrivers' homes. WOR was rather lavish-it asked its questions in 12 metropolitan counties. Might as well be thorough, thought we.

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WOR found that there are 1,493,000 cars on the roads of metropolitan N. Y., with radios in them.

Between the weekday, Mon. thru Fri.,

hours of 7 and 9 AM there are 1,064,800 people in the cars. Between the hours of 5 and 7 PM, there are 1,107,000 people. That's people!

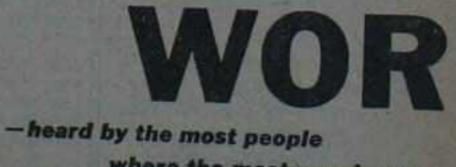
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During the average weekday 1/4 hr., WOR found 193,300 people listening between 7 and 9 AM and 230,500 people listening between 5 and 7 PM.

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### RADIO-TELEVISION

### The Billboard

September 10, 1949

# Film Industry Theater TV **Support Puts FCC on Spot**

(Continued from page 3) utilized, rather than coaxial cable or wire.

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General agreement was voiced that the spectrum location should be in the microwave range above the 1,000mc. band, but no two firms picked the same boundaries for the service. The consensus was that the Theater-TV band should be located in the 6,000-mc, range, with estimates varying on how far on either side of that spot the limits should be.

Theater Owners of America (TOA) petitioned the commission to hold a special hearing on Theater-TV, so that the entire motion picture industry would have a chance to present its views, rather than just those now experimenting with the medium. "Theater television," declared the TOA, is "not only scientifically possible but also economically feasible." Better programs could be offered, claimed that TOA, because telecasters could absorb much higher costs thru getting a cut in the movie house take.

The TOA also pointed out that "a substantial number of communities In the United States do not have a sufficient population to justify the financial risk of establishing a TV station, in view of the large investment required for that purpose." In such communities, the TOA added, "theaters may well be the only medium for bringing television service to the

### NBC ESPRIT DE CORPS

(Continued from page 7) by all departments in NBC affairs. Where formerly contacts were largely limited to phones and memos, the new face-to-face deal is producing a plus net picture is being brought about as via increased savvy of what's going on and an infinitely higher degree of TV is dropping its duo affiliation with co-ordinated planning.

public."

Paramount stated that the service, fully developed, "is likely to afford the benefits and enjoyment of the television art to an audience which at least rivals in size the total effective radio audience." Paramount added that "it should be realized that theater programs command the full and undivided attention of the audience, which is not always true of radio listeners or even of viewers of home television."

detailed plans for a Theater-TV operation linking 24 Los Angeles area theaters, an operation which it said it would inaugurate "as soon as frequencies are available." Programs would originate at Grauman's Chinese Theater, a theater television studio cr on location. From those points the programs would be relayed to Lookout Mountain Park and thence direct to 12 theaters and to re-distribution points to be retransmitted to theaters in such suburbs as Santa Barbara, Pomona and Riverside.

WGN-TV Feeds More Programs

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Chicago will become more important as a TV network origination point in a few weeks when WGN-TV begins feeding thru more programs per week to the Du-Mont Television Network. New importance of WGN-TV in the DuMont a result of two factors. First, WGNthe Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) and is going to handle only

### SHORT SCANNINGS

Russ Hodges is slated to sportscast the Columbia University home games over the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS)-TV for Chesterfield. Cigarettes. He will replace Mel Allen, who will handle the Notre Dame games for DuMont. . . . Maxine Keith has been appointed program co-ordinator for "Tonight on Broadway" which begins on CBS-TV October 2. . . WTNV, Columbus, O., has named the Headley-Reed Company its national TV representative.

The National Broadcasting Company (NEC)-TV film syndication department has optioned "Here and There," a 15-minute movie feature, pro-Europe." . . . Schuyler (Nick) Chapin, WNBC press agent, is off to the Coast on vacation.

Braumeister Beer has purchased "Minitrix," 26 open-end one-minute spot films, for showing over WTMJ-TV, Milwaukee. . . . Frank Young, WPIX, New York, press head, is taking a schooner trip to Cape Cod. . . . Twentieth Century-Fox presented Frank Caldwell's TV show, "The Pendulum," goes on the air September 14 over KTTV, Hollywood.

WSAZ-TV, Huntington, W. Va., expects to be operating by November 15. . . . Davidson Taylor, veepee and head of the Columbia Broadcasting System (CBS) public affiairs division, begins a month's vacation September 5. . . Jerry Layton, of Wilbur Stark-Jerry Layton, Inc., radio-TV package producers, is off to Hollywood to open the firm's West Coast offices. . . . Paul White, prexy of International Trans-Video, has appointed Annabelle Dean director of research.

The David Forester Show, a half-hour TV program of pop music, featuring Danny Scholl and Betty Jaynes, is being peddled to New York agencies. . . . The Barcalo Manufacturing Company, maker of mattresses, is sponsoring a 15-minute program on WBEN-TV, Buffalo. . . . Donn Arden and Ron Fletcher, dance directors, will toss a cocktail party September 1 to launch their new production firm, which will create choregraphic spectacles for TV. . . . Three new firms will sponsor participations in "Shopping-Vues" with Louise Morgan over WNAC-TV, Boston. They are Lehrburger & Asher, Inc., Allen Furniture and Berkshire Fine Spinning Associates. Schick Electric Razors signed this week for a series of 24 spot announcements on the same station to begin September 19.

# To DuMont Net TV News Orgs Grab Lensers Laid Off by Newsreels

seized the opportunity of adding these film for the video outfit. experienced lensers as television A number of the newsreelmen caught on with other TV outfits. As newsreels for theater distribution have become a shakier commodity in recent months, video special events and news execs look ahead to brighter days for their product. Hiring for video has not, in the main, been on a regular salary basis, but rather as string-men paid by the amount of acceptable footage supplied. Telenews, Inc., has already

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- With vir- | aired material supplied by more than tually every newsreel company lay- half dozen former newsreel cameraing off staff cameramen thruout the men, with several others now on their country, video news outfits have correspondents' list and readying

string men. The National Broadcast- have drifted out of the news field ening Company (NBC) alone has taken tirely, and entered into other phases on about 20 of the better pros in key of TV filming Some have caught on cities where they previously had no with free-lance production units, and coverage, and an equal number have others have begun to specialize in commercials or special effects. Simultaneous with the firings of staffers, the newsreel firms have also cut down on their stringers, who also have made their talents available to TV. Both NEC and Telenews are following the same general pattern in hiring. They have not dropped stringers already on their rolls in favor of newsreel men, but have added as many as possible in cities where they were not previously covered, or where they had to share the same man in the past. So well has video integrated the discharged lensers that the union, the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE), said this week that fewer than 10 were now unemployed thruout the country. NBC, in fact, found it impossible to hire a film sound man last week.

To some degree, this new spirit at DuMont programs. Secondly, New NBC is part of a larger and somewhat more intangible developmentthe regeneration of the NBC program that shows of good quality can be department. Much of this is credited | originated more cheaply here than in to Tom McCray, who is delegating responsibility to his program department execs and letting them exercise it. The entire program operation, it is claimed, is operating with new to 8 p.m., starting September 8. This spirit and efficiency.

Among those attending the weekly staff meetings are Roy Porteous, Don Foley and Bill Webb, sales promotion; Ed Hitz, sales; Syd Eiges, Jo about 10:30 p.m., and on Saturdays, Dine and Mike Dann, press, and Mitchell Benson and Les Harris, program. One of the last two named usually chairs the sessions.

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will be the Windy City Review, which will be aired Thursdays from 7:30 show also will be simulcast locally on WGN, AM adjunct. Fridays, starti g September 9, WGN-TV will feed boxing bouts to DuMont from 9 to starting September 17, DuMont stations will receive wrestling matches from here from 9 to about 10 p.m. Boxing and wrestling will be sponsored locally and fed to the net for co-op sponsorship in other cities. Windy City, Club Television, Cross Questions, and two other shows that undoubtedly will be fed to DuMont, also are expected to be offered on the co-op basis. Last week WGN-TV announced it would feed the Al Morgan variety show to DuMont starting September 5.

Station executives refused to reveal the financial arrangement between WGN-TV and DuMont, but it is understood the net will pay all line charges and will split production costs in some cases. Splits in production costs are expected to be worked out for each show on an individual basis.

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### WTMJ, WAVE, WBEN

(Continued from page 5) away, he pointed out, with the impossible expectation that one sales staff can sell the competing media.

In addition to the stations listed as cancelling, it is rumored-that KFI, Los Angeles; WTAR, Norfolk, and WAGE, Syracuse, have done so or are considering doing so. Previously, WSM, Nashville, and WSB, Atlanta, are said to have put themselves on a month-to-month basis.

In the case of WTMJ and WBEN. and Television, but WBEN's AM no- were it to continue.

### TRAMMELL WARNS

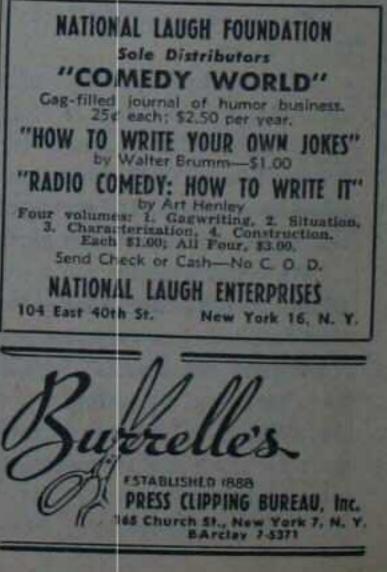
(Continued from page 5) that the web would replace its lost billings will hold as fulfilled, and emphasis will be made that NBC has fewer nighttime spots open than Columbia; that its advertisers are using larger networks than ever before, and that it has but one 15-minute strip open in the daytime.

Reports circulating this week-end. as Trammell and the other NBC execs trained out for White Sulphur Springs, were that NBC's plans to present a new TV affiliation contract had run into a snag. The story could not be confirmed, but it was said that the knotty problem of splitting up the take between the network and its affiliates had not been solved satisfactorily.

The convention, to be held at the Greenbrier, opens Wednesday (7) and will wind up Saturday.

tice is believed to be on a month-tomonth basis also. This would enable the station to pull out completely if and when it wants to.

It is significant that a number of station managers were unanimous in expressing the hope that the Petry-Christal situation would be resolved quickly. They pointed out that relations between the rep and the stations cover a long-time association the cancellations apply both to AM and that all concerned would benefit



### **Polio:** A Special Report

Reviewed Tuesday (30), 10-10:30 p.m. EDT. Sustaining over the American Broadcasting Company (ABC), Supervised and produced by Michael Roshkind. Director, George Wiest; writer, Ira Marion; announcer, Gene Hamilton. Cast: Pauline Frederick, Dr. Hart E. Van Riper, Roger DeKoven, Lon Clarke, Lawson Zerbe, Peggy Allenby, Ethel Everett, plus medical specialists and polio patients.

The fear and panic which many mothers have felt during the polio epidemic met a firm and reassuring



reply when the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) presented this documentary giving the facts and shattering the misinformation about

the disease. Produced in collaboration with the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis (NFIP). the show warned against fleeing from the city or keeping children out of school. It was stressed that normal home surroundings are safest.

Worked into the show were comments by Dr. Hart E. Van Riper, medical director of the NFIP, several other leading medical light: who are working for polio preventatives and some tape recorded remarks by polio victims. These were quite touching and courageous, while the medics offered hope of an early preparation of anti-polio vaccines.

The show emphasized that the majority of those who become victims of the disease do not have permanent after-effects, and those who do are not necessarily permanently lost to society. Franklin D. Roosevelt, founder of NFIP, was held up as the leading proof of this, and replaying of some of FDR's words on the subject was dramatic and effective.

Productionwise, the show could have moved more smoothly. Also, Dr. Van Riper, who had a good deal to say, was not the best script-reader in radio. But by and large, the stanza had a votal message to deliver, and it was done well. Sam Chase.



### **Bonnie Maid Versa-Tile** Varieties

Reviewed Friday (September 2), 9-9:30 p.m. EDT. Sponsored by Bonafide Mills via NBC, New York. Producers, Frances Scott and Charles Basch; director, Mark Hawley; emsee, George Givot. Music by Jerry Jerome's orchestra.

Cute canines, clever commercials and a group of fresh, young performers made the new George Givot show

an enjoyable half hour of variety entertainment. The veteran comic handled his emsee chores with the ease of vast experience and moved the standard vaude format along

at a bright, brisk pace. His jokes and "Greek ambassador" routine were pretty stale, but his warm, show-wise personality televised well, and he undoubtedly helped imbue the show's talented but largely untried acts with a professional air.

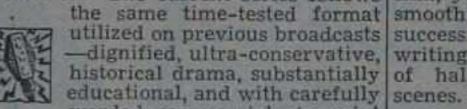
Utilizing a small night club floor set Givot brought the acts on in casual fashion, teeing off with Nahi and Her Hawaiians, three dancers (two lithe young boys and a buxom girl) plus a gal who played the uke. Their native ancestory was dubious, but the routines were effective and smoothly executed. Joe Green and a wonderful trained dog tagged Bebe followed

with some telegenic tricks. The blond warbler Helen Edwards obliged with a sophisticated hillbilly ditty. During the show la Edwards received an obviously pre-arranged call to report for work at the Coq Rouge, presumably as a direct result of her appear-

### **Cavalcade** of America

Reviewed Tuesday (August 30) 8-8:30 p.m., EDT. Style-Drama, Sponsored by Du Pont via the National Broadcasting Company (NBC). Producer-director, John Zoller, Writer, Irve Tunick, Cast: Raymond Massey, Cameron Prude-Homme, Park Fennelly, Ted Pearson. Announcer, Bill Hamilton. Musical director, Donald Voorhees. Composer, Ardon Cornwell,

This season marks the 15th year



worded commercials to paint big business as the people's benevolent benefactor.

DuPont's initial offering this season, Wire to the West, dramatized the successful efforts of Hiram Sibley. founder of Western Union, to consolidate various U.S. telegraph interests under one head and build America's first transcontinental line (1860) According to the script, which sidestepped such controversial issues as Indians or land-grabbing, Sibley's most formidable obstacle was the high price of poles in Utah.

Brigham Young quickly liquidated that problem, tho, and Sibley completed the estimated two-year project in less than five months. Sibley's smooth road may be historically ac-

### The Hands of Murder

Reviewed Wednesday (31), 9 to 9:30 p.m. EDT. Sustaining over the DuMont tele network. Produced by James L. Caddigan. Created and staged by Lawrence Menkin, Camera director, Frank Bunetta. Television play by Lawrence Menkin and Charles Speer. Cast: Steve Elliot, Milt Herman, Charlotte Keane, Nat Polen, Jim Boles, Phil Sterling, John Kane, Dave Karman and Harry Kadison.

DuMont has come up with a program which sets a pattern sharply differing from the illustrated radio



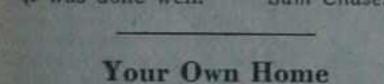
and stage plays aired by television in the past. The Hands of Murder, showcased on Program Playhouse, represents a pioneer effort in a new technique of producing video

drama. It integrates sets, action and lighting in the projection of a story which offered continuous action over DuPont has sponsored Cavalcade of a record number of scenes, without America. The current series follows film, yet maintaining a constant and the same time-tested format smooth transition. In effect, it is the utilized on previous broadcasts successful adaptation of film scenario -dignified, ultra-conservative, writing to TV without the necessity historical drama, substantially of halting camera work between

> Over 30 individual scenes were integrated into a synchronized whole, mainly by deft staging and imaginative camerawork. These scenes were supercharged dramatic vignettes, each lasting about one minute, and each carrying the action directly into the next. The taut, psychological script was made to order, and the acting was excellent. However, this was primarily a field day for the brain trust devising the show and the production crew executing it. Instead of taking pictures of a stage play, they evolved a way to create a picture story, told by the camera.

### **Tribute to Bunetta**

That all this came thru is a tribute curate, but his strifeless struggles to camera director Frank Bunetta, made for dull drama, in spite of the whose split-second shot calling tie scripter's obvious effort to imbue together the manifold threads into a single pattern. The show, conceived and directed by Lawrence Menkin and produced by James Caddigan, made a thriller out of material which could also have been turned into a top-flight documentary. The story dealt with a young yet who, caught in the ruthless net of a loan shark, was hounded, beaten, driven out of his mind to murder and finally was slain by the police. A minimum of actual settings were used, with the strength of the show making the illusion of sets completely believable. An interesting aspect of this show charming sincerity made the linoleum try," the commercials were suitably is that Menkin actually developed astute and smoothly delivered. Du- the basic methodology of this technique some 13 years ago, while writtrio of kilted lassies singing the selling pitch to women this year, and ing and directing for radio. In 1936, while at WMCA, New York, he crecompaniment; (2) a kitchen skit with cial was the introduction of the cor- ated a dramatic radio series intended to help bridge the coming gap beuct in a verbal skirmish with two equally dignified school marm. With tween AM and TV. Titled Stories by gnome-like characters called "Wear" a little prodding, she waxed enthusi- Camera, this utilized the same multiplicity of rapid-paced scenes, tied together by a "camera-yoice" narrator. At WLW, Cincinnati, the following year, he continued the series. If future DuMont editions maintain the pace shown by the premiere, this should easily rank as one of video's top dramatic series. For here, at last, is a half-show which leaves the audience as satisfied and emotionally exhausted as a 90-minute movie. Isn't that what TV has been groping for? Sam Chase.



Reviewed Thursday August 11) Sustaining via WFBM-TV 8:15-8:30. (CBS) Indianapolis. Producer-director. Gene Starbecker. Cast: Janet Lee, interior designer.

Produced in co-operation with the American Society of Interior Design, Your Own Home is an informative



educational program designed for the homemaker yet entertaining to all. Janet Lee, noted interior designer, handled the series very capably. On the

program caught she talked on subjects of definite interest to the televiewer, how to revamp room for best televiewing, what to look for in building a home, and how to make one room serve as two.

Janet Lee kept the show fast and visually interesting with the use of sketches, photographs and displays, as well as by her personality, holding the audience with her beauty alone.

From the standpoint of production, the significant thing about the program was the fact that Gene Starbecker used only one camera and a ballopticon to achieve the unusual shots needed on this educational stanza. This low-budgeted educational interior design program has good commercial possibilities.

Howard M Rudeaux.

IN OUANT New fully automatic equipment assures faithful REPRODUCTIONS, of highest quality and uniformity. FAST DEPENDABLE SERVICE LARGE-QUANTITY PRICES -ON-SMALL-QUANTITY ORDERS EACH LOTS OF Still Lower Prines in Lorper Quantities Send for FREE SAMPLE and Price List PO BOX 1851-Dept C NEW HAVEN, CONN.

ance on the show.

The Skeptics were the most unusual entertainers on the bill. The boy looks like a young Bogart and the girl is just plain beautiful. Together they did a wierd take-off on the movie leers. The material was thin, but Ted Pearson was particularly outtheir vitality and original style standing. showed big time potentialities.

The show's most promising personality, tho, didn't even get billing. She was blond, lovely and rigged out in Scotch kilts to represent the sponsor's trademark, "Bonny Maid." Her commercials a standout.

praises of Bonnie Maid to bag pipe ac- the highspot of last week's commerthe gal defending her sponsor's prodand "Tear," and (3) a living room astic over her recent visit to the Duscene with Bebe, the trained mutt, demonstrating how much nicer it is industrious, especially the executo roll over on a "Bonnie Maid" rug. June Bundy.

### **Dennis Day**

Reviewed Saturday (27), 9:30-10 p.m. EDT., over NBC. Sponsored by Colgate-Palmolive-Peet Company, Agency-Ted Bates, Agency producer-director, Bill Harding; writers, Frank Galen, Bill Mannhoff and Freddy Fox. Cast: Dennis Day, Barbara Eiler (Mildred), Bea Bernaderet (Mrs. Anderson), Dink Trout (Mr. Anderson), John Willoughby (Mr. Brown) others. Announcer, Verne Smith; music, Charles (Bud) Dant and his orchestra,

It's no longer news that Dennis Day is a gifted comedian with an acute sense of gag-timing and a remarkable

flair for mimicry. Day has an instinctive knack (common to comedy with pathos. His sympathetic characterization of a

schmo-whimsical, wistful and inevery year.

Unfortunately, the same can't be

the yarn with human interest.

### Massey Authoritative

Raymond Massey brought the authoritative presence of a great actor to his role of Hiram Sibley, and the melodrama Gaslight, twisting their able supporting players turned in attractive features into Charles Adam | competent performances. Narrator

The drama's impressive background music was the most colorful segment of the show.

Sparked by several reiterations of the DuPont slogan, "Maker of better things for better living thru chemis-The sales pitches included: (1) A Pont is making a dignified stockporation's 100,000th stockholder, an Pont plant (i. e., "they all looked so tives"), and told the gals how easy it is to buy stock, All you need is the money. June Bundy.

> said of his scripts. The current series teed off with a cleaned-up take-off on an old blackout skit, and some of the gag implications were in questionable taste (i.e., "I've missed my wife's liver and her leg of lamb. . . Molten mouth mamma, you rang your ding dong daddy's bell").

> Day's forte is wholesome situationcomedy and he doesn't need double entendre material to get laughs. His soap-selling appeal for family-type audiences alone should be sufficient reason to keep it clean.

### Bright Pace

In spite of the incongruous lines, tho, Day and a competent cast set a all top comedians) of blending bright pace and the show moved along smoothly. The initial episode revolved around Dennis's decision to make his simple, good-hearted, young girl friend, Mildred, jealous, so she'd forget about Terry, a lifeguard she'd credibly naive-seems to get better met on vacation. In the process he solicited the aid of Madame de la (See Dennis Day on page 47)

### SHOWMANSHIP

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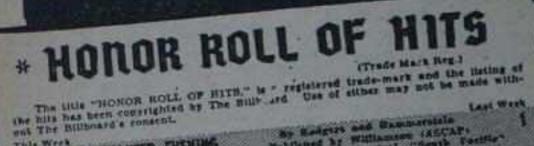


### RADIO-TELEVISION 14

### The Billboard

September 10, 1949

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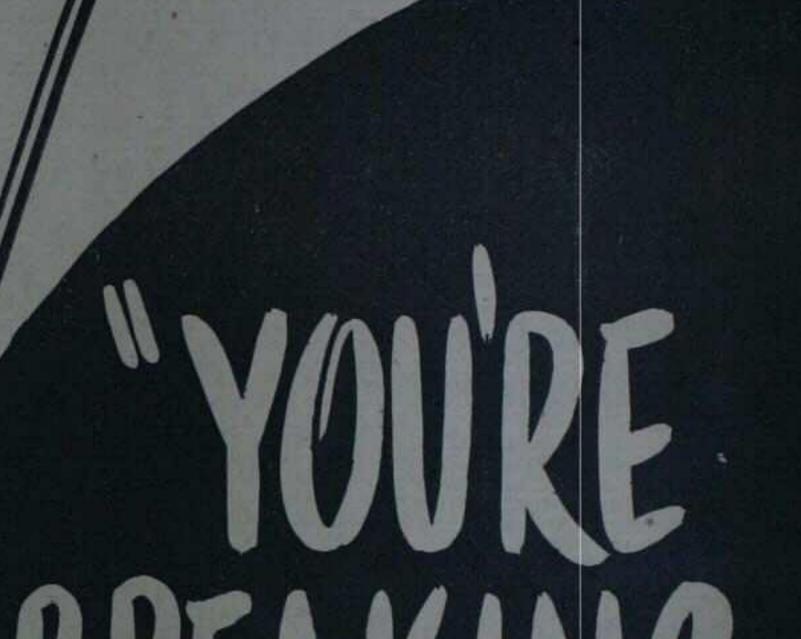
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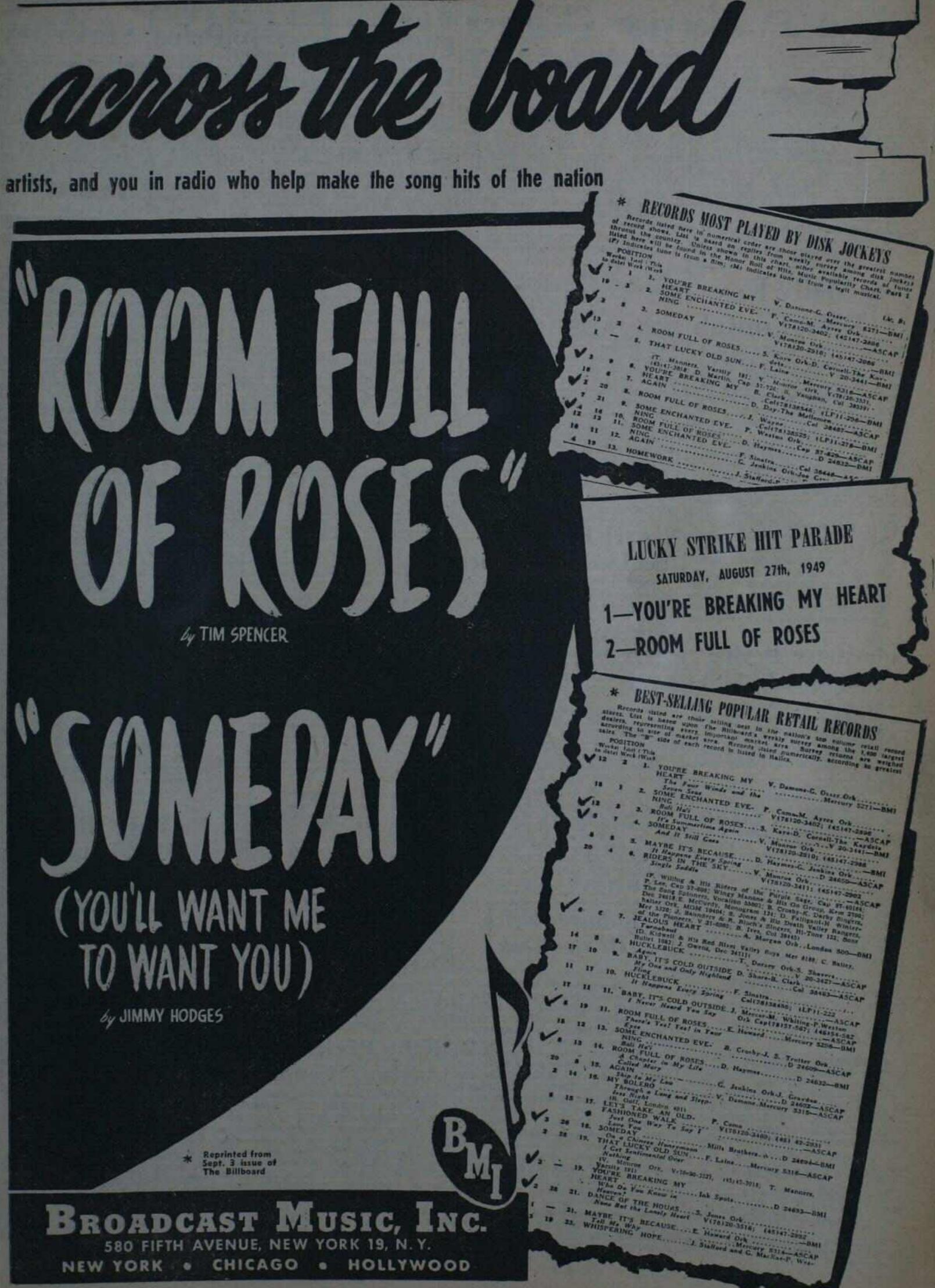
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### RADIO-PHONO-TV MERCHANDISING

September 10, 1949

# Built-In Aerials, N. Y. Law How They're Signal TV Service Changes

duction this week of the new Capehart and Motorola TV lines, both with built-in aerial systems, and the recent rulings by the New York State Attorney General and Department of Insurance all point to drastic changes in service and installation policies of retailers and service agencies. A meeting of the newly formed Association of Television Service Companies, Inc. (ATSC), has been called for Wednesday (7) to formulate plans for future action in view of the New York State rulings.

Both the ATSC members and retail dealers who operate their own service departments are concerned

# **Tele Bally Key** At RMA Confab

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 .- TV. set promotion projects will be a key subject at committee meetings of the Radio Manufacturers' Association (RMA), to be held at White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., September 15-16, during the sixth joint conference of U. S. and Canadian RMA officials. Included will be discussions of RMA's TV series on care and operation of receivers, plans for National Radio Week (October 30-November 5) and plans for a conference of TV servicemen to be held in Washington. Current trends in TV receiver advertising will also be discussed.

Preceding the West Virginia meetings, an RMA subcommittee will convene in New York, September 14, for a final review of the TV educational series, which is designed to make set owners better acquainted with the operation of their receivers and to reduce nuisance calls for servicemen.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The intro- over the future of built-in antenna systems. They feel that if, as is likely, more and more use is made of builtin antennae the lucrative installation business will be lost, With low discounts and the widespread "20 per cent off" selling of video sets dealers are beginning to feel that their only "out" will be a switch to servicing receivers on a per call basis. It is not far-fetched, they say, to assume that \$10 or \$15 per call will be the service charge of the future. Other than that they believe their salvation lies in the much-hoped-for but little-expected fair trading of all receivers by manufacturers or the widespread use of exclusive dealer franchises.

### Per Call System

The service companies, on the other hand, would just as soon see the per call system initiated rather than submit to the rulings of the attorney general's office which would prevent them from issuing second-year renewal policies. At the moment various spokesmen for the ATSC feel that the rulings still do not clear up such points as: (1) Can they warrant parts? (2) Can they issue contracts? (3) Must they be bonded?

In the opinion of Stanley L. Lemler, of Landau & Friedman, attorneys for the ATSC, the State insurance department rulings and those of the attorney general are still not clear and that a further ruling or a court test case will be necessary before service companies will change their present operations.

### Newark Preems TV Set Drive-In Service

NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 3 .- The nation's first drive-in television service center has been opened here by Frank Rappa, trading as Winfield Radio & Television Service, Inc. While Winfield will service TV sets in the owner's home, the company will concentrate on offering set owners service work at reduced prices if the video sets are brought to the shop for all work. Prices have been established for service and installation work with "at home" charges averaging about \$10 more than the "drive-in" charges. Sample prices include a \$25 tag for outdoor antenna installation, \$10 for indoor installation, one-year "drivein" service for a 12-inch set at \$25 and one-year "at home" service for the same set at \$35. Adjacent to the shop on Newark's Springfield Avenue is a parking lot of approximately 7,000 square feet and completely fenced in to protect customers' cars while waiting for repairs to be made.

were launched across the country

with special emphasis on "back to school" portables and the advantages putting a big co-op ad drive on portable radios, and Philco continued its all-out promotion program on the built-in aerial sets. Admiral concentrated full page co-op spreads on its \$399.95 TV combination, with threespeed automatic record changer; while Zenith tied up with dealers and distributors on a co-op campaign to push the firm's \$399.95 TV console and \$279.95 table model. Philharmonic sets still figured prominently in dealer advertising and many dealers were emphasizing "no down payment . . . easy credit terms" in ad copy, along with 25-cents-a-day coin meter gimmicks. Pianos were getting a big play, while record ads continued to be practically non-existent.

### EDUCATION FOR TOTS!

"Hours of fun in music . . . Children's electric record player \$6.95. . . Select their own music and stories . . . Educate your kids this new approved way." Ad featured a cut of metal record player along with a list-ing of low-priced siddle disks. Waxings in-cluded 10-inch "Mother Goose Songs' for children 3 to 6 . . . 15 cents." Artie Shaw's "Fied Piper disks for children 6 to 10 . . 25 cents." Small type line at bottom of ad "mail orders welcome."-Goldsmith's, Memphis.

### \$40,000 TV LIQUIDATION SALE

"Gigantic sale! Our entire stock of 1949 sets must go! All sets fully guaranteed. Any reasonable offer accepted! Prices start at \$59.95." This copy heraided a big sell-out sale. Brands listed under a bold face head ("save up to \$500") included RCA. G-E. Capehart, Admiral, Emerson, Zenith, Philico and others, Circled copy read "Special! V-type indoor tele-vision aerials. Reg. 17.50. Only \$2.95." and copy at bottom of ad claimed. "We sell for less-see us before you buy." Italic line in very small type advised, "None sold to dealers --limited quantities." - American Appliance Stores, Milwaukee.

### IN YOUR HOUSE-ON THE HOUSE

"Scotly says: See TV free!" That's the head

# **NARDA Sees No** Selling Them Change for TV FALL PROMOTION campaigns Price Stability

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Members of the National Appliance and Radio of owning a TV set during the foot- Dealers Association (NARDA) do not ball season. RCA and Emerson were believe TV prices will stabilize in the near future, a symposium report in the September 5 issue of the association's news letter reveals. Typical are the comments of Robert T. Down, a dealer in Washington, and Art Becker, a NARDA member of Evanston, III. Both agree price stabilization is still in the offing.

"Most prices," said Down, "will continue to break under the pressure of price cutters and the general instability of the television industry for some time to come.

"If the dealers want stabilized television prices this fall, they must begin practicing sound, down-to-earth salesmanship. Price-cutting is a poor and disastrous substitute for salesmanship. Given the support of manufacturers and distributors, dealers who stick to good quality and good salesmanship have a fair chance of stabilizing some television receiver prices this year."

Becker said that no price stabilization will result in the TV industry until "someone gets hungry." Referring to manufacturers, he stated that as long as TV producers are making money, "no one wants any rules."

Opposing views of the dealers in the same report were the statements of leading manufacturers. E. C. Bonia, general sales manager for Bendix Radio, stated: "Price-cutting by the retail dealer can be charged to their lack of responsibility in the sale. The fact that TV manufacturers took over the servicing and installing of sets removed any feeling of future responsibility from the dealer's conscience. Consequently, after making the sale, the dealer, having no futher obligation, felt that whatever he recovered was net profit instead of gross. Therefore, he cut prices indiscriminately." Benjamin Abrams, president of Emerson Radio & Phonograph Corporation, claimed that much of the instability existing at the present time will be "fairly well ironed out by the end of the year." Paul Galvin, president of Motorola, Inc., concurred and stated: "The future buyers will look for gur y of sound engineering instead of the cheapest price tag."

### **Coin-Meter Device Prompts Ad Battles**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The use of a coin-meter device for selling television sets has created an interesting advertising sidelight in this area, with two large radio and appliance chains "battling it out" in their daily newspaper ads.

The Vim Stores' chain of 19 shops in the metropolitan New York area has been devoting almost half of its advertising space to its trade-marked "Tele-Meter" plan. The ad copy by Vim states "no down payment . . . for your convenience in making payments . . . drop as little as 25 cents in the 'Tele-Meter' . . . and you pay for it while you use it."

Dravega's chain of 23 stores countered with copy that reads, "Your credit is good at Davega without a coin meter . . . no extra cost to you for a coin meter . . . no collectors at your door . . . no service shut-off because of lack of coins . . . 'no daily bother with coin meters . . . given without cost to you. A bank to help you save your odd change."

### AM Tube Sales Hit 10 Million

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 .- The Radio Manufacturers Association (RMA) reported this week that July sales production of radio tubes amounted to 10,117,925 as compared with 9,-637,244 in July, 1948. In accordance with the seasonal trend, however, July sales were 3,500,000 below June.

### 57,400 TV Sets in D. C.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3. - Television sets in use in the District of Columbia area have reached a total of 57,400, an increase of 1,700 sets in a month, the Washington Television Television Installation and Service Circulation Committee announced this Association's 1949-'50 advanced teleweek.

S. L. Spraggins, formerly director of purchasing, has been assigned to the newly created post of assistant coupon.-Samsons, Milwauker. to the president in charge of manufacturing at Hoffman Radio Corporation. Arthur Baxt , formerly pur- Kahn Picks RPEES chasing agent for the Packard Bell Company, falls heir to the Spraggins position, and W. P. Kennedy succeeds Baxter at Bell. . . . Dr. Hay H. Manson, chairman of the board of Stromberg-Carlson, is reportedly recovering steadily after a serious illness. . . . John A. Miguel Jr., formerly Far East regional director for RCA, has been appointed manager of the newly formed international division of Zenith. He'll headquarter in New York. . . . John R. Meagher, inventor of the RCA television demonstrator, will be the speaker at the opening session of the Sales, Chicago, was named chairman (See Industry News on page 47) Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York.

placed on radio page. Ad featured sketch of Scotty dog with telephone and plugged RCA's "eye witness television" which, smaller type copy advised. is offered free home trial each day to the first six people who phone." Additional small type paragraph described store's "Cool TV theater."-Buckley & Scott, Boston.

### I SELL WHAT I ADVERTISE-ENUFF SAID!

Lippy's utilized this positive banner line to get the most out of a classified ad. Copy read "Discounts as high as 40 per cent off on TV sets. Look at the week's specials." A list of "reduced" prices on two Emerson models, a Motorola and a Crosley followed, along with a plug for "1949 radios, 19,95 and up" and the names of brands carried.-Lippy's, Philadelphis.

### PRIVATE BRAND MERCHANDISE

An eye-catching eight by eight-inch ad, part of full-page department store spread, spot-lighted store's own brand 'built to our own right specifications by the makers of the famous Hudson radios." A large half tone of consolette occupied 75 per cent of ad space, with boxed copy reading "New! Hudson con-solette the television value of the year . \$269.95, 1235-inch picture tube."-Hudson's. Detroit,

### THREE BIGGEST FOST-WAR COMEDIES

This unique head led off half page ad for Columbia's three legit musical albums, "Miss Liberty"; "Kiss Me, Kate," and "South Pa-ctile." all featuring members of original casts. "Miss Liberty" received biggest play, but cuts of all three album covers were run, alon with complete list of musical numbers, and boll 78 and LP prices. Bottom copy advised, "Your record collection isn't complete unless you have these" and suggested that readers sheck albums wanted and order by mail via boxed

# **Advisory Committee**

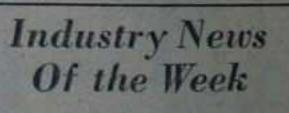
CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- A distributors advisory committee this week was named by Jerome J. Kahn, president of Radio Parts & Electronic Equip- TV-Music Biz Up in July ment Shows, Inc., to consult with directors of the 1950 show, which will be held in Chicago the week of May 22. The committee is expected to make suggestions which will make he show more valuable to jobbers. William O. Schoning of Lukko its first meeting December 6 at the

### No Wage Hike for **Most Retail Shops**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 .- Senate action this week in broadening exemptions in the bill to raise the minimum wage to 75 cents per hour assures most retail stores that they will remain outside of the Fair Labor Standards Act, As reported from committee, the measure would have blanketed all retail stores under the act, but the Senate voted 50-23 to continue the exemption for stores having more than 50 per cent of their business transacted within a single State.

Since the House previously voted the same way, the exemption for retailers will be continued regardless of what compromises are made in the bill when it is sent to conference between the two chambers.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 .- Aided by TV sales, radio and musical instrument stores reported a July business increase of 5 per cent over July, 1948, the Commerce Department stated this week. On the other hand, July business was down 8 per cent from June. of the committee, which will hold For the first seven months of 1949 business was up 6 per cent over the corresponding 1948 period.



MUSIC Communications to 1564 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.

SKEDS HOT BY-LAW

**Puggy Pub** 

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - Few small publishers-and not many big ones, for that matter would have the nerve to incur the displeasure on an important maestro the way Campbell Music's Solly Loft did this week.

Loft went up to the Astor Roof and demanded that Xavier Cugat return to him an arrangement of his Similau, which the writer of the tune had presented to the batoneer.

"Why?" asked Cugat.

"Because you haven't played it on the air," said Loft.

"But I play it almost every night here," said Cugat. "But you haven't put it on the

air yet," said Loft. "Let's have it." Cugat returned the arrangement.

# London's New

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - London's new, expanded classical recording program (The Billboard, August 20) is shaping up with special emphasis on works suited to the LP system, according to Artists-Repertoire Director Remy Farkas. Farkas, who returned from England Tuesday (30). cut several sessions there with metopera baritone Giuseppe Valdengo, and supervised the transfer of regular London FFRR longhair waxings to LP masters. Special emphasis will be placed on recording complete operas, with several to get under way before January. The Verdi Requiem, a large choral work, will be cut at an early date by the Vienna Philharmonic and chorus under the direction of Victor De Sabata. Operas will be cut by the Vienna State Opera Company, La Scala, Milan, and the Turin Opera Company. The latter two Italian groups employ a number of the same artists. Works scheduled are Don Pasquale, and the first complete recordings of Die Fledermaus and Rosenkavalier. Preliminary arrangements are being made for a new complete waxing of La Tosca.

# **Columbia Sets Xmas Drive in** National Mags

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - Columbia Records will follow up its September LP advertising campaign (The Billboard, September 3) with a last building Christmas trade. The promotion drive will be sparked by a series of national magazine ads in Housekeeping and others. The diskery will continue to work with distribs and dealers on local newspaper co-op advertising.

The keynote of the three-month campaign is two-fold. A new slogan -"LP for Lasting Pleasure"-will be pushed, and the ads will pitch for the public to be wary of how long a record plays before a purchase is made.

# LP Longhair Eagle Rights Go **To Keys Music**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Nat Tannen's Keys Music publishing firm this week acquired selling and exploitation rights to the catalog of Eagle Music, a Washington pubbery. Eagle, owned by tunesmith Benjamin Adelman, has about 30 tunes, most of which are in the country and West-

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.-Juanita Hall, South Pacific thrush, has coauthored with poet Langston Hughes the song, Love Can Hurt You. She will warble the tune in the flick, The Guilty Bystander, in which she makes quarter promotion splash aimed at her bow as a featured pic performer. Miss Hall has cut the song for Victor, with which she has signed a recording contract, and which is ensuch books as Life, Esquire, Time, deavoring to build her as a platter Harper's, House Beautiful, Good star. The tune is published by Alamo Music.

**Turns** Cleffer

Thrush Juanita

# **Moncreif Quits Post at Victor**

NEW YORK, Sep. 3 .- Henry Moncreif, head of RCA Victor's copyright department, resigned his post at the Ticket. The remainder were marked diskery's Camden, N. J., headquarters last week. He will, however, remain connected with the company in an advisory capacity until the end of the year.

Moncreif, who had been with Victor for 23 years, and in the copyright department for 19 years, expects to connect with an undisclosed diskery or publishing house within the next couple of weeks. In recent years his interpretations of foreign and domestic copyright laws have been in constant demand along publishers' row.

50 Suggested Changes Are **Up for Voting** 

### **Opposing Views Presented**

### By Jerry Wexler

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The political turbulence in Local 802, American Federation of Musicians (AFM), which has been quiescent since last fall's elections, is expected to start churning again at the forthcoming by-law meeting at Town Hall next Monday (12).

Of the 50 resolutions for by-law changes on the agenda, only six have the approval of the exec board, eight of whose nine members are Blue by the board as unfavorable, except for one or two which got the no-comment treatment.

The Blue-approved items have to do largely with the issue of raising dues and the engagement tax. These are expected to spark the blow-off between the Blue-dominated administration and the minority Unity and Coalition parties.

The resolutions for the increases call for a dues raise of either \$8 or \$12 annually over the present \$16 fee, and a hike of the present 1 per

A new Italian contralto, Tebaldi, has just been signed to an exclusive London contract.

### Int'l Records Into Wax Whirl

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 3 .- International Records, new indie label which acquired Hamptone's stock of masters, will bow September 15. Sammy Lane, head of International, closed a deal with Gladys Hampton for 80 Hamptone sides, boasting such names as Herb Jeffries, Wynnonie Harris and Herbie Fields, plus instrumental sides cut by tootlers in Lionel Hampton's aggregation. Inasmuch as Hamptone has created a following, Lane intends to retain its identity on his label while still crediting International,

New diskery will specialize in the rhythm and blues field, signing its own artists as well as releasing those recorded by Hamptone. Initial release will consist of three disks, including one platter by Harris and selections by the Hamptone All-Stars. Lane will retail his disks at 75 cents per shellac record. Platters will be handled by 25 distribs already assigned thruout the country, following closely the distrib chain set up by Modern Records.

ern category.

Keys, which is operated partially as a mail-order house, received calls for copies of All Because of My Jealous Heart, a song waxed on King, Mercury and Sylvan labels. Tanwell.

Meanwhile, the original Sylvan per share of capital stock. masters of All Because and Hillbilly by De Luxe Records.

### The deal was precipitated when Decca Shrugs Off Slump, Cuts Melon

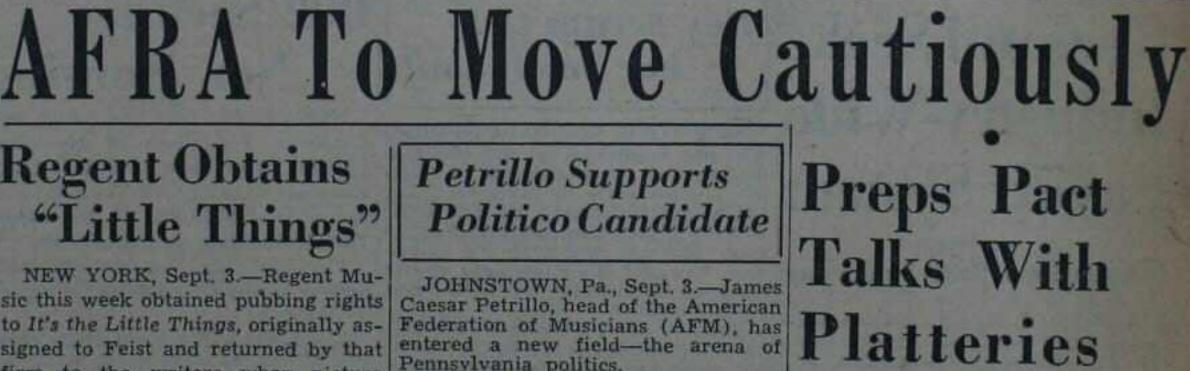
NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- In spite of the general trade-wide summer nen tracked down the tune, acquired slump, Decca Records' directors this same and the rest of the catalog as week declared the firm's regular quarterly dividend of 121/2 cents

The dividends will be payable to Wolf, another Eagle publication, cut stockholders of record at the close by Billy Strickland, were purchased of business September 16. Decca has 776,000 shares outstanding.

cent engagement tax to 2 or 3 per cent. The administration presents these resolutions with statistics purporting to show that the Local operates at a loss of \$5.50 per member per year, and with the argument that the dues have not been raised since 1929, the tax since 1943.

### **Opposition Attack**

The opposition groups will attack the proposed raises as being inopportune, with musicians' unemployment on the rise and the cost of living not appreciably diminishing. They will (See 802 Skeds on page 42)



**Heller Outlines Strategy** 

(Continued from page 3)

Heller reportedly admitted that the union lacks necessary power to force record companies into coming to Literally dozens of big guns are terms. AFRA's best chance, Heller said, was to "be charming, friendly and use our best persuasive powers" to win waxeries. For its intial pact, it will not be too demanding ratewise for, according to Heller, AFRA's chief objective now is to gain recognition from disk firms.

Minimum rates agreed upon by the convention as basis for bargaining are: \$50 per side for actors and an-(See AFRA To Move on page 22)

# **Regent Obtains** "Little Things"

sic this week obtained pubbing rights to It's the Little Things, originally assigned to Feist and returned by that firm to the writers when picture commitments prevented a promised plug treatment for the tune. The number comes to Regent already recorded by Gordon MacRae for Capitol and Kay Kyser for Columbia.

The deal necessitated a release from the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP), of which Feist is a member. Regent is a Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI) affiliate. Gene Goodman, Regent partner, explained that the song is able to be cleared exclusively thru BMI since none of the writers, Ed Weiner, Art Waner and Hal Gold, was in ASCAP when the song was written.

pubbing rights to Doby Boogie from Eddie Heller and Larry Newton, of destroy it, as witnessed by the ter-Derby Records. A Derby waxing of rific contest in the House of Reprethe instrumental has been getting ac- sentatives, relative to the repeal of tion in the blues and rhythm market, the Taft-Hartley Law.

entered a new field-the arena of Pennsylvania politics.

The Petrillo hurricane blew into Johnstown and Cambria, Ind., and Armstrong counties-comprising the 26th Congressional District-in the form of letters to some 500 AFM members urging support of Mrs. field at a closed session of last week's Curry E. Coffey, Democratic candi- AFRA convention, date for Congress at a special election September 13. Mrs. Coffey is regarded as favorable to labor.

centering their fire here in a bitterly contested election, with Republicans hoping to regain the district they lost while negotiating and thereby hope just last year when Rep. Harve Tibbet failed to click with the voters. Petrillo's letter to his members in the district stressed that "organized Regent this week also picked up labor is engaged in a pitched battle with those interests which seek to

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**Annual Meet** Set for Chi October 4-6

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### Seek More State Groups

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- The National Ballroom Operators' Association (NBOA), thru its secretary, Otto Weber, last week announced the most in the Bay City. He had moved up formidable program for an annual convention in the three-year history of the national org. Meet will be held October 4-6 at the Hotel La Salle here, marking the first three-day confab held by the group.

For the first time, the NBOA is sticking closely to the circle of its own membership for speakers, with Bishop told The Billboard he will enspecific problems of the terpery biz being discussed by the men who have faced those problems for years. Business meetings will be held on the mornings of October 4-5, with another clinic scheduled for the afternoon of the closing day.

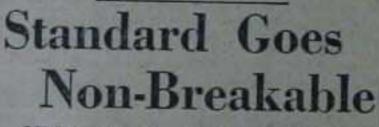
Emphasis will be placed upon the formation of more State groups within the organization. Thus far, only the Nebraska ops have formed a subsidiary org, with Herb Pauley, the Turnpike Casino, Lincoln, Neb., set to explain the formation and development of the Nebraska Ballroom Operators' Association. Pauley is prexy of the Nebraska set-up. Ken national waxings, will issue its entire Moore of Aragon-Trianon Enterprises, Chicago, will discuss the re- the future. The firm will retain its lationship of NBOA to its State as- current price structure.

**Bishop Leaves** MCA in H'wood

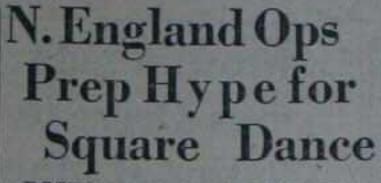
BOATO MULTERP

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 3 .- Eames Bishop, head of band and act department at Music Corporation of America. (MCA), left its fold after an 11-year association. Bishop was replaced by Don Mulford, moved here from MCA's San Francisco office. He will be assisted by Eddie Green, former New York rep for Arthur Michaud's personal management interests. Bishop started with MCA in San Francisco and was moved here after two years the MCA ladder to his final post, surviving numerous shake-ups in the commission house's ranks.

His exit is believed to have been prompted by MCA's present policy of accenting youth in its employee ranks, as well as difference in opinion with firm's topper, Larry Barnet, deavor to keep himself free of biz tie-ups until after the first of the year. At that time he expects to return to the entertainment field. He will devote the next few months to a vacation with his family residing in Florida.



NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Standard Records, which specializes in intercatalog on non-breakable material in



BOSTON, Sept. 3.-Arnold E. Kahn, executive secretary and general counsel for the Ballroom Operators' Association of New England (BOANE), has announced plans for the fall, beginning with the first meeting September 19 at the Hotel Kenmore here. BOANE, organized last year to protect operators' interests and to bring about passage of a bill to allow Sunday dancing in Massachusetts, will promote square dancing, which has been meeting with good success in the New England territory.

Kahn said: "We will make an intensive drive for Sunday dancing in a bill to the new State Legislature. We are also interested in reduction of the excise tax on admissions and are contacting legislators in Washington for action to decrease the tax, on the basis that increased business will make it up."

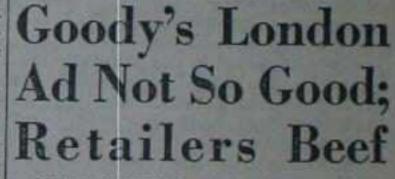
summer season dance biz showed outdoor spots in the red, but indoor ballrooms not as well off as last year. "The lush money is gone," he said, "and few spots dare go on the nut with name bands now, because average operators cannot afford name bands."

He also said BOANE was dissatisfied with the rates of the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, (ASCAP) and Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI). Kahn said that membership in the organization had

### LeBaron in Deal For L.A. Avodon

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 3. - Batoner Eddie LeBaron has taken over Avodon Ballroom, downtown Los Angeles terpsery, and will convert it to the Rhumba Palace of America. Idea is to feature Latin dance music exclusively, with which LeBaron hopes to attract patronage from the over 350,000 Spanisk-speaking Los Angeles inhabitants, Avodon was opened three years ago as a name band terpsery. Plan then was to bring name aggregations within easy reach of transportation terminals to attract visiting servicemen from nearby camps.

However, war's end came before ballroom biz got into high gear. Since then policy floundered with name attractions and spot has enjoyed better biz with Latin groups. Its location, closer to the Negro and Mexican sec-Kahn revealed that ops' reports of tion, is expected to prove advantageous under the all-Latin music policy. LeBaron's deal with Avodon's management is on a percentage basis.



NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The equivadoubled since the start and that a lent of an atom bomb explosion was membership drive would get under set off in the local retail record mar-

sociations in another talk. Minnesota terpalace owners have been meeting recently, but have not yet formed (See NBOA To Mull on page 39)

The diskery also is planning to go into the long-playing (331/a) field in the near future, according to Standard's topper, Tetos Demetriades.

way in the fall.

national convention of ballroom operators October 4-6, at Hotel LaSalle, Chicago.

Decca Koyalty Plan Outlined 802 Seeking Rackmil Seeks Rey Scraps Ork New Housing For Small Unit Industry-Wide NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Local 802, NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Alvino Rey, American Federation of Musicians who has fronted an ork for almost a **Payoff System** (AFM), whose lease at its 1267 Sixth decade, this week decided to scrap his 17-man crew in favor of going Avenue offices expired Thursday (1), out with a small unit. He will work has offered \$850,000 for the Mecca with an eight-piece group in the fu-Temple Building on 56th Street. ture. The unit will be billed as Al-Negotiations Still Underway

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Decca's second quarter publisher royalty payoff (The Billboard, September 3), which provoked a good deal of protest and gripe along Tin Pan Alley, is a step in an effort to elevate the pubber-disker royalty arrangement to a uniform industry-wide pattern and to "get this thing on a business basis," according to the diskery's prexy, Milton Rackmil.

Rackmil explained that Decca's second quarter pay-off was only a temporary arrangement pending the completion of negotiations between the diskery and publishers' agent Harry Fox. These negotiations involve the development of a new royalty pay-off arrangement which would give the diskery an opportunity to deduct for returns from the pubber royalties. Rackmil points out that such an arrangement would merely be an amicable enforcement of the terms of the existing pubber-disker (See Decca Royalty Plan on page 41) Tone label,

vion Rey and His Blue Reys and is designed specifically for hotels and small locations.

The new group's break-in date will be at the Hollenden Hotel, Cleveland, beginning October 2 for four weeks. Rey will continue to work thru the General Artists Corporation.



NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - Columbia Records this week signed a pair of new singers, Johnny Thompson and Toni Arden.

Thompson, who currently is featured in the Irving Berlin Miss Liberty show, was inked on the strength of his vocal chore on the Hugo Winterhalter waxing of Someday. Miss Arden, who graduated from Shep Fields's ork into a single about a year ago, has been waxing on a dateto-date basis for the Signature Hi-

The building, more commonly known as the City Center, is owned by the city.

The Local will remain at its present offices by agreement with the owners of the building until it finds new housing. The preferred course is to locate rented offices, but local execs say that they may find it more expedient to erect a building.

### **Haverlin** Recuperating

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Carl Haverlin, president of Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), is recuperating on the Coast after a minor operation. The BMI chief, who had gone to Hollywood on a business trip, is planning to attend the National Association of Broadcasters' (NAB) district meetings, beginning with the opening of the series by District No. 9, September 14, at the Northernaire Hotel. Three Lakes, Wis. Attendance at the series of NAB meetings, however, will depend upon an okay from Haverlin's physician.

ket this week when a prominent Kahn will represent BOANE at the dealer, Sam Goody, broke an ad in the Sunday New York Times offering London's new LP records at a 30. per cent discount. In the same edition Liberty Music Shops advertised the same line at regular list prices.

On Monday (29) the diskery received a flood of protests and canceled orders from all of the leading shops and department stores. Most of these orders were reinstated Tuesday, however, when dealers received notice from London that the line had been fair-traded under the regulations of the Feld-Crawford Act.

Dealer Goody, contacted by the diskery early Monday morning was informed of its intention to fairtrade the product, agreed to play ball with the proper price policy and promised the diskery he would clarify his legitimate stand in a subsequent Times ad to run two weeks later (11). Goody's explanation for his discount offer is that, prior to Monday, only Columbia and Cetrasoria LP's were registered under the Feld-Crawford Act, and he cited recent decision in favor of R. H. Macy's in the priceviolation suit brought against the department store by DuMont when the former advertised DuMont TV sets at less than list prices.



BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Sept. 3 .-Ritz Ballroom, Bridgeport's largest ballroom, will reopen for the season tonight, with Joey Zella's Casa Ritz ork as opening attraction. The policy this season will be the same as before, with name bands coming in for Sundays and holidays, and territorial bands during the week.

Opening the name band season will be Vaughn Monroe next Sunday (11).

Joseph (Joe) Barry will again man-age the spot, assisted by Ray Colon-ari, who will handle press, public relations and radio promotion.

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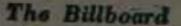
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# AFM Wooed by TV Nets For Setting Up Kine Scales

(Continued from page 10) when a network records a program practice takes on the aspect of film with live musicians, that program can making, and in this category the netbe played on affiliate stations within a time limit, but it can be played only on those stations which were on the air at the time of the live broadcast. Some doubt exists about the time limit-some say it is 14 days, others quoting 30 days. In any event, network thinking is that the regulation is too tough for current programing needs.

Another kine problem irking the networks is the fact that AFM refuses to permit a show to be recorded prior to its broadcast as a live program. This is considered as "pre-

# "Kiss" Promosh To Use Lanza And la Grayson

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The public appearance blitz instituted here recently by Loew's theaters in conjunction with the Jolson Sings Again flick TV films with musicians even the no (The Billboard, August 20) will be followed up this week by a similar promotion, this time on the new MGM flick, That Midnight Kiss. The film is tentatively scheduled to open at the Capitol September 15, depending on the run of the currently incumbent Madame Bovary.

Two of the production's stars, tenor Mario Lanza and soprano Katherine Grayson, will perform as "living Records, whose purchase of Al Mortrailers" at 11 Loew theaters here, gan's Jealous Heart master from singing a few songs at each a la Universal several weeks back has Jolson. The jaunt will tee off at a given the British-based label its "sneak" showing at the Capitol biggest hit since Now Is the Hour, Wednesday (7). Lanza returns to the took over two more masters from Coast Friday. Records by the two the Chicago label this week. The stars will be played in the lobbies of tunes involved are I Never See all local Loew theaters for 10 days, Maggie Alone and Boogie Woogie starting Wednesday, Lanza records Yodel, performed by Nancy Lee and for RCA Victor Red Seal disks, and the Hilltoppers, with warbler Kenny Miss Grayson cuts for MGM. Meanwhile Victor is pushing plans the Yodel side. A similar voice is for its initial Lanza releases. These will be introduced to the region's dealers, distributors and Victor personnel at a special cocktail party Wednesday (7) which Lanza will attend. A similar party will have been held in conjunction with the film's to Universal when the original comworld premiere in Philadelphia Monday (5). Victor is releasing three single Red Seal records featuring the tenor in pop, semi-classical, folk song and operatic selections immediately, but will market the same sides in a That Midnight Kiss album as soon as the picture breaks here. The diskery will also tie in with the disks of pianist Jose Iturbi, who is also featured in the flick.

recording." In other words, such a works want "certain permissions."

In general, the networks have come to feel that restrictions surrounding the use of kinescope recordings are such that the material can be used for very little. One stated they can be used for audition purposes, and virtually little else.

### Present AFM-TV Pact

Another exec stated that the need to pressure Petrillo for a kine scale and contract becomes evident thru a study of the current AFM-TV pact. This pact, it was said, covers very little ground and must be supplemented, particularly in view of TV's dependence on kine, to supply programing where the coaxial cable is non-existent.

gets together with the networks to iron out a kine scale he will also tackle the matter of a general scale for packagers of TV shows on film. Independent package outfits are continually calling the national and local offices of the AFM for guidance. Some have held back their producing opscale exists.

# London Gets 2 More Masters

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - London Roberts also getting label credit on featured, but not billed on Maggie. The latter tune, which is currently gathering attention in Robert's Coral waxing, was cut by this group two years ago for the now-defunct Vitacoustic label, but the masters went pany split up.

# Varsity Preps Own Distrib Network of Twenty Branches

stein's Varsity Disk Organization, which handles two low priced disk lines, his own and the Harmony (Columbia produced) lines for sales and distribution, this week teed off its plan to bid for a major niche in the disk industry by preparing to set up a network of self-owned distribution branches. Oberstein will open up eight Varsity distributing branches within the next two weeks and has plans which call for the hatching of a total of at least 20 branches in the near future. This marks the initial usage of distribs by Varsity, which originally was set up as an exclusively direct sales diskery.

The firm's initial branches will be in New York, Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Los Angeles, Meriden (Conn.), Atlanta and one somewhere It's believed that when Petrillo in either Texas or Arkansas to cover the Southwest, Following these,

### **Gale** Activates Gala Music Pub

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Bill Gale, one of the most recorded maestros in the business, is activating his Gala Music pubbery, a Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI), affiliate. The firm was originally set up in 1945 as a clearance house for Gale's own copyrighted tunes, and now consists of nearly 1,300 Gale originals.

Gale, whose BMI arrangement is a per-record deal, has cut for Co- the singles and \$1.25 tax included for lumbia for several years under about 40 different names and for all of the diskery's foreign language series. He has been most prominent in the polka field.

Gale's decision to activate the pub-

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Eli Ober- | Oberstein figures to move into Seattle and Philadelphia. In New York, Varsity has taken half the space of Continental Records at 776 10th Avenue for the local distrib branch.

The Varsity distrib network will handle both the Varsity and Harmony lines. It will work in co-ordination with the Oberstein field sales systems, which currently is manned by some 37 salesmen. The sales force will continue to peddle the Varsity and Harmony disks but will work with the nearest distrib branch rather than with the factories, as has been the system in the past. This will insure the dealer of smaller freight charges, greater efficiency and speed in shipment. There will be no change in price structure to the dealer under the new system,

The distrib network will be set up by Oberstein and his two top brass, Joe Carlton and Lee Savin. All three take off for the hinterlands Monday (5) to start the ball rolling on the distrib planning.

### Dealer Price Slice

Meanwhile, this week Varsity's prices to the dealer were sliced to 22 cents including taxes. Previously the price was 21 cents plus taxes, which brought the tab up to over 23 cents. The Varsity envelope series, which was expanded by 22 titles with the addition of wax from the recently purchased Majestic Masters, will be priced at 69 cents tax included to the dealer, a slice of 3 cents from the original 72-cent tag. The retail list remains at 39 cents tax included for the three disk envelopes. However, with the lowered dealer prices, the Varsity single disks now fall into a potential retail level of the threefor-a-buck class. Oberstein several weeks ago told The Billboard that his Varsity line may spark the revival of the three-for-a-buck days. Varsity execs strongly denied trade talks that the firm would shortly enter the long-playing business with a low priced 331/2 disk. It is said that Varsity has been planning to issue such items from its Sonora and Majestic masters as excerpts from Student Prince, Nutcracker Suite and selections from Chopin as performed by Earl Wild.

### **Coast Casino Goes** To 2 Days a Week

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 3. - Casino Gardens, Tommy Dorsey's ocean front dancery in Santa Monica, Calif., will revert to a Friday-Saturday only policy starting this Friday (9). Limited sked is regularly observed by the beach ballroom during the autumnwinter seasons. Tommy Reed, booked by General Artists' Corporation, will inaugurate the post-summer sked.

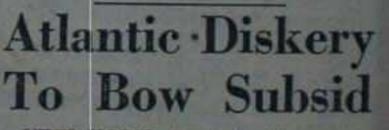
Casino Gardens started its sixnights-per-week policy when Harry should not be expected beyond Sep-James moved in for a four-week stand in May. He was followed by Dave Cavanaugh for two weeks, with owner Tommy Dorsey bringing in his aggregation for a two-week run. deal to its membership for the lat- week, the complete package (blanket) Spot then cut down to four days a ter's approval. At press time, how- and per program deals) would be reweek (Friday, Saturday, Sunday and ever, the per program deal still had ferred to the membership and the Wednesday), when Benny Strong not been concluded, according to TV mounted the podium. Switch to twonight policy comes comparatively the per program pact could be settled prove or disapprove. early this week, but Manager Eddie | rapidly, and that such a development, Gilmartin finds biz does not warrant coupled with ASCAP's restivenesskeeping lights on more than Fridays as indicated by the wording of the 80 per cent of the weighted vote of market, was with the late Major and Saturdays.

the United States following a policy Borden's County Fair show over the inaugurated with its earlier master Columbia Broadcasting System (See London Gets Two on page 41) (CBS).

bery comes as the result of his personal accomplishment of landing 44 records on 18 tunes since the first of the year. His staff, as it is now set up, consists of Florence and Russ Goudy and disk jockey promotion man Jerry Simon in New York. Paul Salvatore will cover the deejays in Chicago, where Gale's international material is strong.

The pubbery last week took its first tune by a cleffer other than Gale. It's Gladys Shelley's I Wish I Had a Toothache (To Keep My Mind Of You).

Gale himself is now entering his London is pressing the disks in fifth year as music director of the



NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The yearold Atlantic diskery, operated by Abramson and the Ahmet Ertegun, this month is launching a subsidiary label, Plaza Records, Like Atlantic the new line will specialize in blues and rhythm material, but will have its own artists and a new set of distributors. Ten distribs are already set to haridle Plaza in the South, East and Midvrest,

Both Plaza and Atlantic will now follow a regular release schedule of four disks monthly to permit maximum exploitation power behind each

The first artists to appear on Plaza the pact will stand for five years are warbler Ralph Williams; New rather than three. This pact in gen- Orleans blues chirp, Toni Mayo; Meleral calls for the radio deal plus 10 rose Colbert, former Earl Hines per cent, Whether this would be the thrush, and Sister Barbara Shaw, formula for the per program deal was spiritual singer. Williams, Mayo and Shaw are all new names to wax. Miss In the event of a quick settlement Colbert formerly cut sides for At-of the per program pact, the schedule lantic. Saxman "Bashful Bubber"

Atlantic, meanwhile, has added the following to its artists roster: Jimmy (Baby Face) Lewis, blues-ballad singer-guitarist, a former Manor artist;"the Silverleaf Jubilee Quartet, of Norfolk, and Vince Mondi, the origiquartet and Mondi have not recorded According to ASCAP regulations previously. Mondi, who will cut Bowes for 12 years.

# **ASCAP-TV** Pact Near Set, **May Go to Members Soon**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Indications | sion-could augur a final agreement | and the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP) were very close to wrapping up the ASCAP-TV negotiations. ASCAP this week granted another one-month extension permitting gratis use of its music. The Society, however, pointed out that "its members have not received any compensation thus far ... and that further extension of the license on the present basis tember 30."

early next week ASCAP's board follows: ASCAP's board would hold might formally refer the ASCAP-TV execs. It was believed, however, that given 15 or 20 days in which to ap- nal Major Bowes' one-man band. The

at press time were that telecasters pending approval of the Society's membership,

The blanket license agreement has been wrapped up for some time in all essentials. It has been undergoing platter, according to Abramson. final drafting, indications being that speculated upon this week.

The rumor at press time was that of events was expected to occur as Brooks will also cut for the label. a special meeting during the coming membership would presumably be

the pact would have to be passed by novelty corn material for the pop statement granting the gratis exten- the Society's members.



	TENNESSEE POLKA SOFT LIPS	JACK DAY	TWO HITS ON EVERY RECORD!
	I WISH I HAD A NICKEL TWO CENTS, THREE EGGS AND A POSTCARD	JIMMIE DALE	POPULAR
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VOCALION 55026	IN MY MERRY OLDSMOBILE THE SIDEWALKS OF NEW YORK (East Side, West Side, All Around The Town)	DICK ROBERTSON And His Orchestro	SOME ENCHANTED EVENING     BILL HARRINGTON     Nocalion 55000     AGAIN     I DON'T SEE ME IN YOUR EYES     ANYMORE     ANYMORE     ANYMORE     AGAIN     A
	WESTERN ROUNDUP THE RANCH BOYS		RIDERS IN THE SKY     A Cowboy Legend     CARELESS HANDS     THE SONG SPINNERS     Vocalion 55003     NEED YOU     ALAN HOLMES ORCHESTRA     FIVE FOOT TWO, EYES OF BLUE     Vocalion 55002
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VOCALION 55028	1. THE CHISHOLM TRAIL 2. THE YELLOW ROSE OF TEXAS 1. COWBOY'S DREAM 2. STRAWBERRY ROAN	THE RANCH BOYS	ONE KISS TOO MANY ECHO OF YOUR FOOTSTEPS     JACK DAY Vocalion 55016     WEDDING BELLS RAINBOW IN MY HEART     Vocalion 55017     Vocalion 55017
VOCALION 55029	1. RURY ME OUT ON THE PRAIRIE	THE RANCH BOYS	AIN'T NOBODY'S BUSINESS     SAM PRICE • THE HUCKLE-BUCK     ANDY KIRK ORCHESTRA     Vocalion 55023     CLOSE YOUR EYES     Vocalion 55009
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# Petrillo Card Edict Explodes Ellington Departs WM; No More Sizzling AFM - AGVA Bomb Ork Dept.; Requiescat in Pace

### (Continued from page 3) copies of their resignation from AGVA to AFM's national office will be suspended from AFM, said Petrillo;

Agents, indies as well as those from the big offices, were also given warnings. In effect, any AFM member must be booked on an AFM form even if he's a performer with an AGVA band, card. Any violator, ruled Petrillo, will have his franchise lifted.

AGVA promptly shot back with orders to all its branches to disregard Petrillo's blast and to see to it that heads. all acts working in AGVA jurisdictions use AGVA contracts and be fully paid up. "In the event no settlement is reached and musicians are have no intention of returning the called out any place where AGVA members are working, instruct all that if they agreed to such a move, AGVA members to stay on the jobs and perform with or without music."

### **Problems** Arise

The problems arising out of this fight are many and varied. Under AGVA rules any agent operating un- raiding the AFM, tho he didn't mender its franchise must issue AGVA contracts to AGVA members. In fact an agent must see to it that his acts are members in AGVA.

There are many AGVA people, however, who do minor musical bits, who have been forced to join AFM as well. Under Petrillo's edict, these performers must work under AFM pacts; agents will be held responsible or their AFM franchise will be lifted. lifted.

Such acts as Harry Richman, Jerry and Buddy Lester, Martin and Lewis, Betty Reilly and many others who use music for gag bits or for incidental background, are cardholders in both unions. They are considered primarily performers and not musiclans, If they give up their AFM cards, Petrillo has indicated he will pull bands where they work. If they give up their AGVA cards, AGVA will put them on their unfair list and forbid other acts to work with them. Agents and managers admit they don't know what to do. The latest battle, according to Petrillo, is the result of the New York RKO Regent case. House band leader Lee Norman was made to pay \$50 to join AGVA, and Petrillo said in effect that the dough will have to be returned.

or three years. It suddenly fired him and put Norman in as emsee, thus throwing one of its members out of work. AGVA couldn't force the theater to rehire Banks but insisted it had the right to see to it that the replacement was an AGVA member. The AFM retaliated by pulling the

In private conversations with Petrillo men, AGVA was informed if it would pay back the \$50 to Norman, Petrillo would meet with AGVA agency. Ellington was the last of the in its curtailment drive unloosed such

AGVA toppers say they have taken all the threats and made all the appeasement moves they intend to and \$50. Furthermore, they pointed out, every AGVA member who also holds a card in the AFM could demand his money back.

Petrillo has charged AGVA with being leaderless, having no one there to talk to. He accused AGVA of tion any specific instances, AGVA countered with copies of a series of letters and communications where it said it had tried unsuccessfully, since August, 1948, to meet with Petrillo to discuss differences.

### Appeal to Truman

AGVA's most recent appeal for help was made July 25 directly to President Harry S. Truman. Dewey Barto, AGVA head, wired Truman, "A grave situation affecting unemployment of thousands of performers and musicians can be avoided if you will be so kind as to arrange immediate joint conferences between Petrillo and AGVA and an arbitrator of your choice."

Morris Agency (WM) this week Avenue and will ink p.m. pacts closed down its band department after an 11-month "curtailment" campaign. The agency granted a release from management to orkster Duke a free agent following his Morris re-Ellington, whose pact had about six lease. He has been reported as dickerweeks to run. Cress Courtney, head ing at varying intervals with the Genof the ork wing and last of the band | eral Artists Corporation (GAC) and salesmen with the agency, left the the Willard Alexander Agency. Morris office yesterday (2) after better than half a dozen years with the been in business for about a decade, important bands on the WM list.

Courtney next week will open up shop in his own personal management tyre, Buddy Rich, Del Courtney, Jan business, as was reported in The Bill- Garber, Red Ingle, Bobby Byrne and board two weeks ago. He has taken about 20 others.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The William | temporary office space at 545 Fifth with at least three artists, whose names were not disclosed at press time.

Ellington, at press time, remained

The Morris band wing, which had properties as Charlie Spivak, Claude Thornhill, Count Basie, Hal Mein-

# AFRA To Move Cautiously; **Preps Pact Talks With Diskers**

### (Continued from page 17) nouncers, \$75 for vocal soloists and narrators, with the group rate gradu ing according to number of voices per\_side from \$55 for duets to \$15 per side for 15 or more voices. Union will seek \$10 per rehearsal hour. Rates apply to disks equivalent of four and a half minutes playing time. Union will not ask for royalties on disk sales, but payment on per disk cut

### Two Avenues

Heller proposed two possible avenues into waxdom, but urged delegates to choose the second and less hazardous course of action. They Secretary of Labor Maurice L. To- did. According to Heller, the two

in its face.

"This is not radio," Heller reminded the assembly. "What power does AFRA have to force our getting contracts" AFRA's only power is the influence and prestige of its name artists." He then pointed out that the union could possibly force the record companies into inking if AFRA knew that the "names" would follow its orders in the event a recording ban became necessary. Heller told AFRA's singer members he knows he can count on their loyalty and support, but blamed their contractual ties for making such action on their part impractical, if not impossible

### Strengthen Toe-Hold

Second approach to the disk prob-

### **AGVA's Version**

AGVA's version is that the house had used Charley Banks, an AGVA member, as permanent emsee for two

### Longhair Artist **Trio for TV Pic**

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 3 .- Trio performances by pianist Artur Rubenstein, violinist Jascha Heifetz and cellist Gregor Piatigorsky, which had created considerable comment when the noted three were recently introduced in concert at Chicago, will now be immortalized on film for video projection. Trio will appear on one of a series of 13 tele films now in preparation by World Artists, Inc. Other artists set for the series include Marian Anderson, Jan Peerce, Patrice Munsel, Isaac Stern, Segovia, Don Cossack Choir and dance team of Morkova and Dolin.

First reel starts rolling September 19 featuring Artur Rubenstein in two solo subjects. Each subject will have a 27-minute running time and be shot in 35 film for reduction to 16mm. gauge. No distribution channel has as yet been lined up by World Artists. However, according to Rudy Polk, WA's prexy, the longhair series will be made available for theatrical and non-theatrical film use, as well as video. Bernard Lubin is associated with the firm as veepee. Series will be its initial venture in this field.

bin replied to Barto's wire to Truman lines of attack open to AFRA are: by requesting additional details and then sent a Labor Department official over all recording singers, announcers to New York to talk with Barto. The and vocal thesps and demand that official promised to set up such a conference. But nothing was done, said bargaining negotiations with the Barto.

Peace attempts by AGVA were sign contracts. started back in August, 1948. At that time, Petrillo sent a letter to all AFM branches saying, "It is true an understanding has existed between ourselves and AGVA for quite a while that where a member of AFM sings, dances, tells stories in a floor show, stage, etc., we agreed, he is a potentian member of AGVA. As of this day (August 5, 1948) this understanding is dissolved and henceforth you and your members are notified that no member of the AFM, even tho they sing or entertain by means other than it as "extremely dangerous" and extheir musical ability shall remain members of AGVA except with the If AFRA were to claim jurisdiction permission of the national office." vice-president of the Associated Actors and Artistes of America (Four A's) and American Federation of "we would run into Petrillo" (James Radio Artists (AFRA) topper, wrote C. Petrillo, prexy of American Fedeto Petrillo August 20, 1948, asking for a meeting. There was no reply. He followed with a letter August 27, to William Green, American Federation of Labor (AFL) prexy, asking him to arrange a conference with Petrillo. Green suggested he write directly to Petrillo. Several more letters were sent to the AFM topper with no result.

### Huddle Appeals

The matter kicked around until February, 1949, when Barto wrote Matthew Wohl, AFL vice-president, asking for his help. Letters were constantly being sent by either 4A's heads or Barto to Wohl or Green pleading for meetings to be set up with Petrillo but nothing came of them. On May. 2, Barto got a letter from Wohl telling him he was unable to arrange a meeting but thought he'd be able to do it "the following week."

Meanwhile, the June conventions of both unions intervened. At the AFM convention Petrillo character-(See Two-Union Bomb on page 43) Note release.

1. That AFRA claim jurisdiction record companies enter into collective union, establish rate schedules and

2. That AFRA approach record companies to negotiate rates only for those singer-announcer-actor artists who are its members, the contracted rates to remain consistent with existing schedules, with the diskeries recognizing AFRA as the rightful bargaining agent for these artists.

Heller told the convention he personally wished circumstances permitted AFRA taking the first and stronger course of action, but labeled we can turn around and organize plained in detail the possible hazards. over all vocalists, Heller reasoned, George Heller, first international the issue surely would be brought before the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB). Here, Heller feared, ration of Musicians), and AFRA would risk losing its claim over vocalists. NLRB may decide that AFM holds jurisdiction over the record industry's musicians, lumping vocalists in with instrumental musicians, Heller cautioned, and AFRA would thereby have the disk door slammed.

### BLUE NOTE'S BOPS, 79c

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Blue Note's 10-inch bop record will be retailed at 79 cents, beginning September 15, it was announced this week by the diskery's prexy, Alfred Lion, Dealers may buy the disks at 40 per cent off the new price immediately, however, Lion said. The disk had been sold at \$1.05, which price still maintains for Blue Note's non-bop output, Included in the bop line are sides by Thelonious Monk, Tadd Dameron and Howard McGhee, Pianist Bud Powell, will be featured on the next Blue ing the record companies. This wor

lem, Heller declared, contains none of the above risks and would serve to establish AFRA's bargaining position. Once this has been achieved, AFRA could continue to strengthen its toe-hold in disks by organizing non-AFRA vocal artists, he maintained, and thereby gain recognition of the wax industry. Heller readily agreed that the second course, while not holding the risks of the first, also lacked its teeth. The second plan's contract commits record companies only on those vocal artists who are AFRA members, but there's nothing to stop diskeries from hiring nonunion vocalists, he said, But Heller saw a counterpoint: "Suppose they sign and hire non-AFRA membersthem."

### Third Way Out

One delegate suggested a third way out of AFRA's disk dilemma: Why not table disk discussions until conditions are better suited for invading this field? But New York's Delegate Goldstein immediately jumped to his protesting: "As a New York singer delegate, I have been instructed to fight for this (record company negotiations). Singers have been kicked around. We feel strongly about this and would like negotiations to start by November 1, 1949." The convention was then locked in a verbal battle over the time allowed for negotiations to begin. One faction claimed that disk biz is off and this is no time to approach recording firms, while another contended that hiz is generally turning upward, and coupled with fall and Christmas orders, the November date would be best.

Proponents of the disk invasion insisted upon inserting a specific time limit, for without it, they claimed AFRA's national board would be tempted to postpone negotiations. Heller then suggested that the time clause be moved up to January 1950, by which time, he felt, disk bit conditions would warrant approachthe assembly's approval.

September 10, 1949 The Billboard MUSIC 23 RANK SINATRA'S BIGGEST HI JUST RECEIVED FRANK SINATRA'S LET HER GO AND WEDDING OF LILLI MARLENE LOOKS LIKE A HAPPY WEDDING) MIAMI WMIE .. NEW YORK NY BEST MALE VOCAL OF THE WEEK= MARTIN BLOCK WNEW .. PORTLAND O SINATRA'S GREEN RECORDING OF LET HER GO AND LILLI VERY FINE= BILL SAWYER KWJJ ... KANSAS CITY MO IT'S THE SINATRA OF OLD WITH PLENTY OF NEW APPEAL HAS EVERYTHING= BOB KENNEDY WHD ..... PITTS PA SINATRA REALLY LET HER GO ON THIS TUNE STOP I SAY ONE OF HIS BEST= AL NOBLE KQV ... 10000 ANU NEWARK NJ HAVE A SNEAKING SUSPICION THAT Let Her Go, SEE MY LISTENERS ARE GOING TO LET GO WITH LOTS ALL OF REQUESTS AFTER HEARING FRANK'S LET HER FRAN GO= PAUL BRENNER WAAT ..... SPRGFLD MASS Let Her Go, AND SINATRA'S LILLI MARLENE WILL BRING WARTIME HER SWEETHEARTS BACK BETTER THAN EVER IT'S WOND. HAS Let Her ( ERFUL= PAUL MONSON WMAS ... THE SEATTLE WASH SINATRA HITS HIS LET STRIDE AS HIS NEW COLUMBIA DISC ITS WEDDING OF LILLI AND LET HER GO BOSTON MASS SINATRA'S NEW SIDES TERRIFIC GET OFF= BILL GRIFFITH KOL. LILLI LOOKS LIKE THE COUNTRY'S NEWEST SWEET SANFRANCISCO CAL LILLI MARLENE HEART= ART P TACKER WTAO .... MEMPHIS TENN SEEMS CERTAIN TO DUPLICATE HER. ANYTHING BY SINATRA IS ALWAYS GOOD AND THIS ENGLISH SUCCESS AND BECOME NO IS ONE OF HIS FINEST = BILL GODON AND BILLY ONE HERE = BOB GOERNER KCBS .... GRUMBLES WHBQ ... LOUISVILLE KY SINATRA'S LET .LET HER GO. AND LET HER GO AND HER GO TOPS FROM LOUISVILLE I AM LETTING IT 111 LILLI GO OFTEN= ROBIN BRIGHT WKLO== CLEVELAND HIT FOR SINATRA AT HIS VERY BEST = WALTER KAY WJW JOCKS .... SANFRANCISCO WONDERFUL REACTION HERE! JUKES# Weddin TO FRANK'S LET HER GO AND LILLI = LES BERNIE MALLOY KYA .. SALT LAKE CITY BANK ON FRANK WOODS I'LL ENDORSE THIS DISQUE IT'S GREAT . li Marlene VARIETY JAZZBO KALL ... MANCHEST NHAMP SINATRA SINATRA LATEST LET HER GO COUPLED WITH LILLI LET HER GO GREAT =



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### This Week 1. ROOM FULL OF ROSES

Last Week

PEATURE

By Tim Spencer Published by Hill & Range Songs (BMI)

Records available: P. Brite, Harmony 1051; Cass County Boys, Dec 46174; C. Records available: P. Brito, Harmony 1051; Cam County Boys, Dec 46174; C.
 Foster, Vocalion 55013; D. Haymet, Dec 24632; E. Howard, Mer 5256; B.
 Kaye-D. Cornell, V 20-3441; G. Morgan, Col (70) 20594, (LP12-272; P. Reed, Dancetone 355; S. Sims Coral 60067; The Starlighters-P. Weston Ork, Cap 57-617; Sons of the Pioneers, V 21-0065; P. Terry-R. Arthur Quartet, Ri-Tone 145; J. Searle Ork, Bluebird 31-0012; J. Wayne, Col (78) 38525 (LP11-278, Electrical transcription libraries: George Wright, NBC Thesaurus, Jan Garber, Capitol; Eddy Howard, World; Eddie Skrivanek, MacGregor; George Towne, Associated; Al Trace, Lang-Worth; Foy Willing, Lang-Worth; George Wright, NBC Thesaurus; Daye Terry, Muzuk.

### 2. SOME ENCHANTED EVENING

By Rodgers and Hammerstein Published by Williamson (ASCAP) From the Broadway musical, "South Pacific"

Becerds available: S. Black Ork, London 455; B. Brees-The Paulette Sisters, Capri 2001; P. Como-M. Ayres Ork. Vi78:20-3402, 145:47-28:6, B. Crosby-J. S. Trotter Ork, Dec 24609, J. Davis, Harmony 1048; B. Harrington, Vocalion 55000; A. Jolson-V. Young Ork, Dec 24667; J. Laurenz-J. Carroll Ork, Mer 5276; J. Saunders-R. Bloch Ork, Hi-Tone 122; P. Sinatra, Col 38446; J. Stafford-P. Weston Ork, Cap 57-544; P. Weston Ork, Cap 57-629; H. Winter-halter Ork, MGM 10399; E. Young, Bluebird 31-0009; Eadle and Hack, Dec 24707. 24707.

Electrical transcription libraries: Jimmy Dorsey Ork, Standard; Shep Fields, Lang-Worth: Dick Haymes-Carmen Dragon Ork, World: Eiliot Lawrence, Associated; David LeWinter Ork, Standard; The Music of Manhattan, NBC Thesaurus.

### 3. YOU'RE BREAKING MY HEART

By Genaro and Skylar Published by Algonquin (BMI)

Becurds available: P. Brito Harmony 1051; B. Case Ork, MGM 10470; B. Clark, Col (78)38546, (LP)1-296; V Damone-G. Osser Ork, Mer 5271; Ink Spots, Dec 24693; J. Garber, Cap 57-719; B. Rarrington, Vocalion 55019; P Reed, Dance-Tone 351; T. Manners, Varsity 160; R. Flaringan Ork, Bluebird 36-0001 Electrical transcription libraries: Bob Eberle, World; Chuck Foster, Lang-Worth; Johnny Guarnieri, NBC Thesaurus; Eddie Skrivanek, MacGregor; Frankle Masters, Lang-Worth.

### with the JUD CONLON SINGERS

4. SOMEDAY (YOU'LL WANT ME TO WANT YOU) By Jimmy Hodges (BMI)

Records available: P. Best-Four Tunes, Manor 1185; R. Bloch Ork, Hi-Tone 134; Mills Brothers, Dec 24624; V. Monroe Ork, V(78)20-2510; (45)47-2286; A. Smith, MGM 10496; T. Tucker, Harmony 1055; Philadelphia String Band, Tempo TR 656; P. Reed, Dance-Tone 375; The Ravens, National 2069; Elton Britt, V 20-1864.

Electrical transcription libraries: Nat Brandwynne Ork, World; Chuck Foster, Lang-Worth.

### 5. MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE

By Harry Ruby and Johnny Scott Published by Bregman-Vocco-Conn (ASCAF)

Records available: H. Babbitt-The Veltones, Vocalion 55014; Bob Crosby-M. Morgan, Col 38504; D. Haymes-G. Jenkins Ork. Dec 24650; E. Howard Ork. Mer 5314; A. & D. Russell-B. Cole Ork, Cap 57-559; C. Thornbill Ork-R. McIntyre, V 20-3456; Connie Haines-The Highliters, Coral 60070; P. Reed, Dance-Tone 363.

Electrical transcription libraries: Bob Crosby, Standard; Eddy Howard Ork, World.

6. AGAIN

By Newman and Cochran Published by Robbins (ASCAP)

Becords available: J. Clay Ork, Hi-Tone 109; V. Damone-G. Osser Ork, Mercury 5261; D. Day-The Mellomen, Col 38467; T. Dorser Ork-M. Lutes, V 20-3427; D. Gardner, Gotham G-181; J. Graydon-G. Jenkins Ork, Dec 34602; B. Har-rington, Vocalion 55001X; A. Mooney Ork, MGM 10398; P. Reed, Dance-Tone 230; L. Rucker-C. McLin Combo, Aristocrat 10001; M. Scott-The Paulette Sisters, Spotlite 516; M. Torme, Cap 15428.
 Electrical transcription libraries: Rene Durant-Linds Stevens, Standard; Gerl Gallan, World; Manhattan Madeaps, NBC Thesaturus.

### 7. THAT LUCKY OLD SUN

By Smith - Dillespie Published by Robbins Music Corp. (ASCAP) Records available: P. Laine, Mer 5316; T. Manenri, Varaity 191; D. Martin, Cap 57-726; B. Houston, MGM 10509; H. Vance & Vocal Quartet, Castle 524; V. Monroe Ork, V(78)20-3531; (45)47-2018; S. Vaughan, Col 38559. (No informiation on electrical transcription libraries available as The Billhoard

goes to press.).

### 8. JEALOUS HEART

### By Jennie Lou Carson Published by Acuf (-Ress Publications (BMI)

Records available: C. Balley, Bullet 1083; J. L. Carron, Dec 46176; E. Duchin, Harmony 1060; D. Falligant, MGM 10521; D. Eldwell & His Red River Valley Boys, Mer 6188; B. Lawrence, V178/20-3838; 145/47-3029; A. Morgan Ork, London 560; J. Owens, Dec 24711. (No information on electrical transcription libraries available as The Billboard

goes to press.)

### 9. HUCKLEBUCK

### By Roy Alfred and Andy Gibson 10 Published by United (ASCAP)

Becords available: Big Sis Andrews, Cap 57-70000; P. Balley-Hot Lins Page, Harmony 1049; C. Calloway & His Cab Jivers, Hi-Tone 135; T. Dorsey Ork, V 20-3427; B. Goodman, Cap 57-576; L. Hampton Ork, Dec 24652; A. Kirk, Vocalion \$5000; E. Marshall-Cory Cole Ork, Dec 48509; R. Milton & His Solid Secondary, Speciality, Th. The Div. Div. Dec 48509; R. Milton & His Solid Senders, Specialty EP 328: The Pig Pooters, Mer 2130; F. Sinatra, Col (75)38488, (LP)1-222; P. Williams, Eavoy 683. (No information on electrical transcription libraries available as The Billboard goes to press.)

10. JUST ONE WAY TO SAY L LOVE YOU Published By Irving Berlin (ASCAP) by Irving Berlin (ASCAP) the Brandway musical, "Miss Liberty"

Records available: J. Bradford, Bluebird 31-0010; B. Eckstine, MGM 10472; B. Barrington, Vocalion 55018; A. Jolson, Dec 24665; P. Como-M. Ayres Ork, V(78)20-3469; (45)47-2931; P. Page, Mer 5316; P. Reed, Dance-Tone 383; F. Sinatra, Col (78)38531; (33)1-260; J. Stafford-P. Weston Ork-The Startighters, Cap 57-685; J. Wayne-J. Wilson, Harmony 1047. (No information ay electrical transcription libraries available as The Billboard

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# Every One A 45 RPM Winner! Load up! (They're all on 78 rpm too, of course) Another just-out Como smashl On the heels of his "Huckle-Buck" Petty Como Tommy Porsey

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20-3540 (47-3030\*)

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20-3541 (47-3031\*)

20-3542 (47-3032\*)

20-3527 (47-3014\*)

20-3528 (47-3015\*)

20-3475 (47-2936\*)

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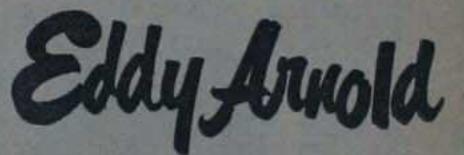
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### **BEST-SELLING POPULAR RETAIL RECORDS**

Records listed are those selling best in the nation's top volume retail record 100 stores. List is based upon The Billboard's weekly survey among the 1,400 largest dealers, representing every important market area. Survey returns are weighed according to size of market area. Records listed numerically, according to greatest sales. The "B" side of each record is listed in italics.

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	13 1 1. YOU'RE BREAKING MY V. Damone-G. Osser Ork
	19 2 2. SOME ENCHANTED EVE- P. Come-M. Ayres Ork. NING
	<ul> <li>Bali Ha'i</li> <li>SOMEDAY</li> <li>And It Still Goes</li> <li>V. Manrae OrkASCAP</li> <li>V(78) 20-2510; (45)47-2986</li> </ul>
	13 2 4. ROOM FULL OF ROSESS. Kaye-D. Cornell-The Kaydets It's Summertime Again 2 19 5. THAT LUCKY OLD SUNF. LaineMercury 5316-ASCAP
	7 7 6. JEALOUS HEARTA. Morgan OrkLondon 500-BMI
	Turnabout     Turnabout
	16 8 8. HUCKLEBUCKT. Dorsey Ork-S. Shavers
	Who Do You Know in Heaven? 10 10. MY BOLEROV. Damone
The Singer of the Year	Through a Long and SleepMercury 5315-ASCAP less Night (B. Goff, London 491)
Sings	18 9 11. BABY, IT'S COLD OUTSIDE.D. Shore-B. ClarkCol 38463-ASCAP My One and Only HighlandCol 38463-ASCAP Fling
	(P. Bailey-Hot Lips Page, Harmony 1049; E. Fitzgerald-L. Jordan, Dec 24644; Lady Sybil Smythe-Bill Jacoby, Castle 1423; C. Calloway & His Cab Jivers, Hi-Tone 135; H. Babbitt & The Allen Sisters, Vocalion 55001; Homer & Jethro-J. Carter,
The Song of the Year	V 21-0078 & 48-0075; L. & F. Loesser, Mer 5307; E. Williams-R. Montalban-MGM Studio Ork-G. Stoll. Dir., MGM 30197; D. Cornel-S. Kaye Ork, V 20-3448; M. Whiting & J. Mercer-P.
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on Columbia Records	16 13 13. SOME ENCHANTED EVE- B. Crosby-J. S. Trotter Ork NING Ball Ha'i
	• 6 11 13. ROOM FULL OF ROSESE. HowardMercury 5296-BMI There's Yes! Yes! in Your Eyes
	<ul> <li>21 13. DANCE OF THE HOURSS. Jonen Ork</li></ul>
	NING
	81 6 17. RIDERS IN THE SKYV. Mommoe Ork
	(P. Willing & His Riders of the Purple Sage, Cap 57-46164; P. Lee, Cap 57-608; Wingy Manone & His Go Group, Kem 2700; The Song Spinners, Vocaliou 55003; B. Crosby-K. Darby Singers, De Single P. McCurdy Monoscop 124; Crosby-K. Darby Singers,
	Dec 24618;E. McCurdy, Monogram 134; D. Falligant-H. Winter- halter Ork, MGM 10404; S. Jones & His Death Valley Rangers, Mer 5320; J. Saunders & R. Bloch's Singers, HI-Tone 122; Sons of the Pioneers, V 21-0065; B. Ives, Col 38445)
	1 - 17. I NEVER SEE MAGGIE ALONE Wedding Bells
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A CIUN	If Happens Every Spring Col(78)38486; (LP)1-222 -ASCAP 18 11 20. BABY, IT'S COLD OUTSIDE.J. Mercur-M. Whiting-P. Weston I Never Heard You Say Ork Col(78)57-567; (45)54-582
	4 23 20. WHISPERING HOPEJ. Stafford and G. MacRas-P. Wes- A Thought in My Heart ton Ork
	(J Taylor-The Radio Banch Hands, Mer 6166) <b>31</b> . 15 22. AGAING. Jenkins Ork-J. Graydon Ship te My Lea
and	<ul> <li>14 23. ROOM FULL OF ROSESD. HaymesD 24632—BMI A Chapter in My Life Called Mary</li> <li>21 24. MAYBE. IT'S BECAUSEE. Howard Ork</li> </ul>
Relieve"	Tell Me Why 17 25. LET'S TAKE AN OLD- P. Como FASHIONED WALK
"Make Believe" "Make Believe" \$38559 COLUMBIA #38559	Just One Way To Say IASCAP Love You (B. Harrington, Vocalion 55018; M. Whiting-P. DeVol Ork,
IMBIA SOUT	Cap 57-666; J. Wayne-J. Wilson, Harmony 1047; F. Masters Ork, MGM 10465; P. Reed, Dance-Tone 163; F. Sinatra-D. Day, Col (78)38513, (LP)1-260; D. Haymes-G. Jenkins Ork, Dec 24666; The Pepperettes-H. Parr, Horace Heidt M1012; J. Brad-
COLOIN	I 25 25. SOMEHOWB. EckstineMGM 10383-BMI What's My Name?
	(E. Duchin Ork, Harmony 1062; Pied Pipers-S, Martin, V(78)20-3515, (45)47-2991) (Continued on maga 26)
	(Continued on page 36) WARNING:
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 SO DEAR TO MY HEART ALBUM (Four Records) 65 32 SO DEAR TO MT HEART ALBORIT (1900 Hearth 1990)
 Walt Disney-B. May, director. Cap(76)BD-124; Cap(76)DD-109; (45)CDF-3000
 BUGS BUNNY IN STORYLAND (Two Records) Mel Blanc-A. Livingston. Alan Livingston-Vance "Pinto" Colvig. Cap BBX-34; DBX-114
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142       3       Warsaw Concerto Boaton Pops; Arthur Fiedler, conductor; Leo Litwin, planist Warsaw Concerto Boaton Pops; Arthur Fiedler, conductor; Leo Litwin, planist Withil-8663; (45)49-025         148       4       Jalounie Boaton Pops Ork; Arthur Fiedler, conductor	191			Jose Iturbi
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<ul> <li>B. Sayao</li></ul>	148	4	4.	Jalousie
Liverpool Symphony Ork; Sir Malcolm Sargent, director Col 72707-1 BEST-SELLING RECORD ALBUMS BY CLASSICAL ARTISTS Albums listed are those classical and semi-classical albums selling best in the nation's retail record stores (dealers), according to The Billboard's weekly record dealer survey Albums are listed according to greatest sales. POSITION Weeks Last   This to date Week Week 17 4 1. Rimsky-Korsakov: Scheherazade (Five Records) San Francisco Symphony Ork; Pierre Monteaux, con- ductor 17 4 2. Saleme (Two Records) L. Welltsch, Metropolitan Opera Ork; F. Reiner, director 18 3 4. Ravel: Daphnis and Chios Suite 1 and 2 Paris Conservatory Ork; C. Muench, 20 4. Beethoven: Fifth Symphony (Four Records) 10 - 4. Beethoven: Fifth Symphony (Four Records)	15	-	5.	Bachianas Brasileiras
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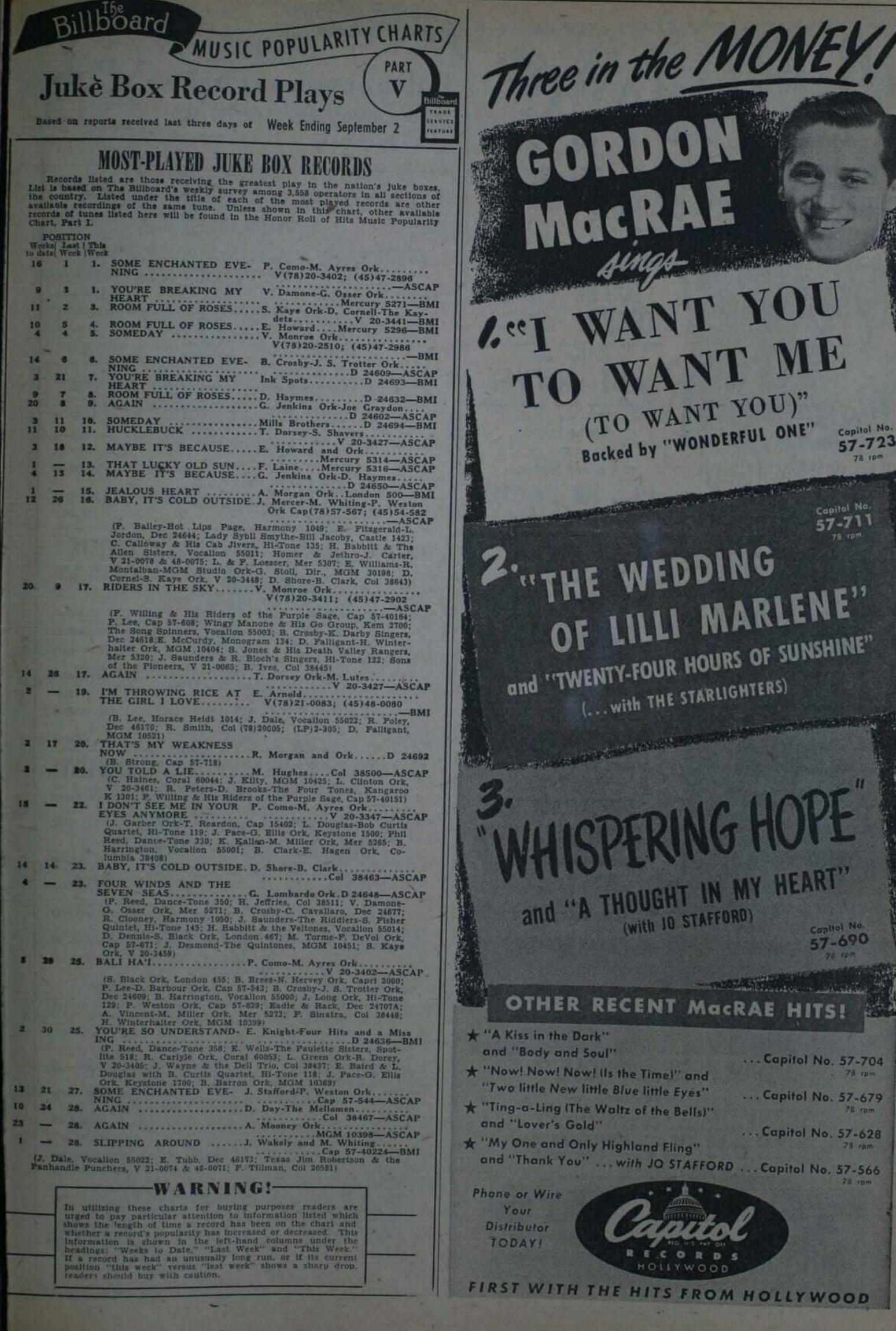
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2	4	2.	MISS LIBERTY (Six Records) M. McCarty-E. Albert-A. McLerie
29	2	3.	KISS ME, KATE (Six Records) A. Drake-P. Morison-L. Kirk-H. Lang-A. Hill-H. Clark- J. Diamond
16	5	4.	DICK CONTINO (Four Records) Dick Contino, Accordion
4	3	5.	SILVER LINING ALBUM (Four Records) V. Monroe and Ork
	6	6.	SONGS WITHOUT WORDS (Three Records) P. Weston OrkCap DCN-170
	1	7.	OKLAHOMA (Six Records) J. Roberts-A. Drake-H. DeSilva-C. Holm-L. Dixon, With
	-	. 8.	Oklahoma Ork and Chorus, J. Blackton, directorD 359 INK SPOTS (VOL I) (Four Records) Ink SpotsD A-477
1	-	9.	SOUTH PACIFIC (Four Records) Al Goodman Ork
14		10.	SQUARE DANCES (Four Records) C. Stone and His Square Dance Band
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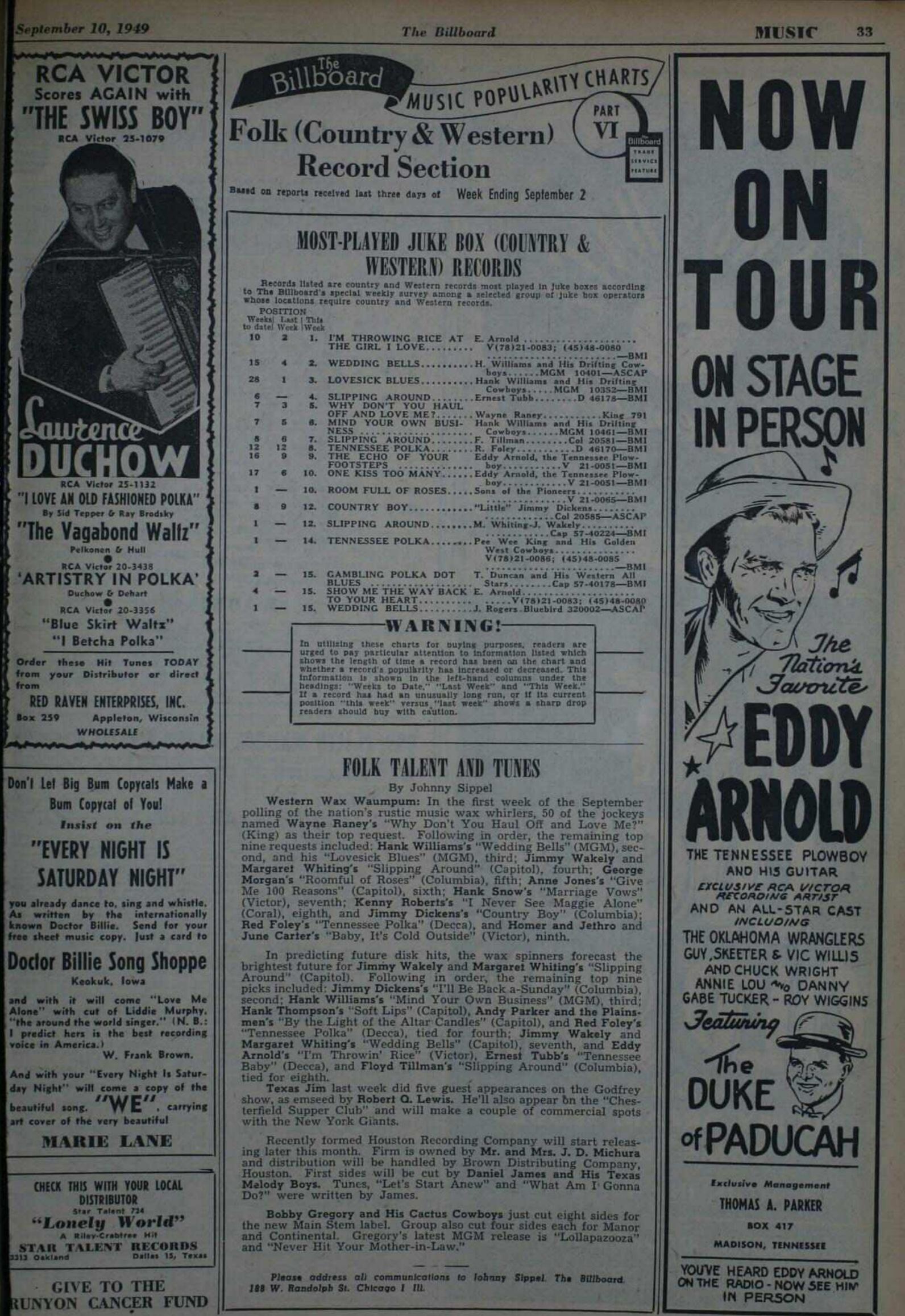
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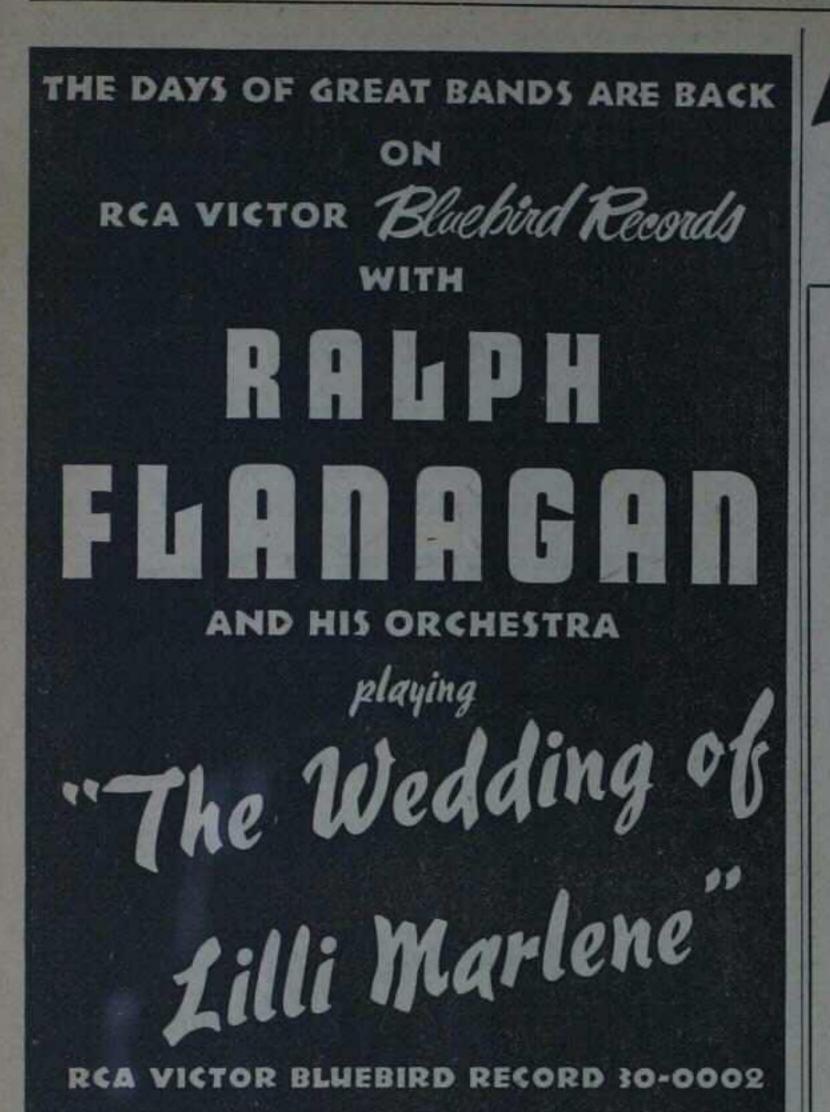


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Tempo TR 658	Some Day Same type of treatment is offered a currently fast moving tune. The best that can be said for it is that it's different.	70696972	
WOLMER BELTRAMI Tempo TR 432	Slightly Frantic An imported accordion solo which should please those who like the instrument.	61626260	THE WORLD'S BIGGEST "SONG HIT" HAS
	Harem Serenade Francesce Ferrari Another import and another accordion solo. This side's got something of a song to go with the display of technique.	62646260	COME TO LIFE AGAIN ON "DELVAR RECORD"
RICHARD HAYES (Mitch Miller Ork) Mercury 5318	A Breathless Promise 19-year-old Hayes sings in a Tony Martin groove on this pretty new melody. Lingering Down the Lane Hayes does a fair enough job with this	78797877 75757575	(THE MUSIC GOES 'ROUND & AROUND)
ROSE MURPHY	the River." You, Wonderful You	66666666	"DELVAR #111" "ED FARLEY & ORCHESTRA, they gives this song
RCA Victor 20-3534	The chi-chi gal works over a fine oldie. Don't! Stop! Ehe handles some special material in her own	65656466	the works." (Ed Farley is co-writer of this song.)
THE PIED PIPERS RCA Victor 20-3633	typical style. Sleepy Hollow The Pipers do a nest turn with a preity song which reminds of "Lazy River."	79827878	"It is the best recording done on this   Don Larkin, of WAAT, Newark, N. J.
	Cheap Cigars The group does up a clever hunk of material for top returns.	75777375	of the Johnny Clark Show, WNJR. says: "It's tops with me, it can't Newark, N. J. miss. It's a hit."
RCA. Victor 20-3529	Lingering Down the Lane If anything happens to this land version of "Cruising Down the River." this disking will warrant plenty of action. An excellent interpretation.	797979	ACCORDING TO: Disk Jockeys, Operators and Dealers It is truly a "hit" all over again on the Delvar Label.
	Mexican Hot Foot Fields continues to amaze with his superb plane technique at rapid Latin tempt. Spin-	77807575	Another Mir on the back (This is not a sleeper)
ALICE O'CONNELL-	ners will like this flashy item. The Very Thought of You Not much of a disking of the oldie.	59585860	(IDA, SWEET AS APPLE CIDER)
MAN Hardman 4016	A Wonderful Guy Inadequate reading of the "South Pacific" lift.	454545	DELVAR #112
Columbia 38500	That Lucky Old Sun Savah does one of her tastiest jobs with this stirring new song. Joe Lipman backs.	84868482	(LISTEN TO THIS ARRANGEMENT) ED FARLEY'S Orchestra
	Make Believe Were the tempo a bit brighter here, this could have been one heck of a recording of the eldie. It still is mighty fine as Sarah works with a group and the Lipman ork.	83858380	GET ON THIS (MONEY MAKER) YOU CAN'T "BUY" A BETTER RECORD. THEY ARE MADE IN THE "BETTER" RECORDING STUDIOS AND THE BESTEST PRESSING PLANTS. THESE ARE LASTING RECORDS.
AWRENCE WELK	Ichabod Crane Pleasant enough rendition of the tune written for the Disney treatment of the classic tale.	707070	GOOD NEWS FOR (JUKE BOX, OPERATORS, EARS)
	Katrina Welk's very danceable and insteful crew does a neat job with another tune from the Disney	73747372	Write, wire, phone your nearest distributor or
LLA LOGAN	flick. Hop-Scotch Polka Ella returns to wax for a low-price version	79807878	DELVAR RECORDING CO.
	of the promising polks. It's a good one too with Henri Hene supplying the backing. The Story of Annie Laurie A passable disking of a forthroming plug ditty. (Continued on page 104)	686868	BOMSBING FOREIDE WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY PHONE ORANGE 5-2020

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### THE BILLBOARD PICKS:

In the opinion of The Billboard music staff, records listed below are most likely to achieve popularity as determined by entry into best selling, most played or most heard features of the Chart.

The Jenkins touch-meaning a rich, but easily digestible ork and vocal choir sound-endows the fine Joe Marsala torch tune with the same impressive dimensions as Jenkins' "Again" click. Thrush Betty Brewer shines at the mike.

-----Columbia 38572

"I'll Never Smile Again." Sinatra is in rare form for this one, and Winterhalter, as always, the impeccable arranger and batoneer.

Here's a welcome surprise—the appearance of society orkster Noble with two superlative dance sides. Band sound and Noble's riwn vibrant vocalizing have character, and the cleffings are loaded with ear interest all the way. The job on "Jealous Heart" and "Ain't She Sweet," a companion release, is just as impressive, the nod going to "Weakness" and "Dozen" because no diskings of these have yet been firmly established.

The tune's a simple, conventional, Tin Pan Alley plug-uncomplicated and retentive. Como is meltingly relaxed, with a light easy beat for this one.

### THE BISK JOCKEYS PICK:

PICKS that have appeared for three consecutive weeks or three times within a six-week period are not repeated below. Based on a weekly survey among them on whe tune disk jockeys think tomorrow's hits will be:

1. THAT LUCKY OLD SUN
2. THE LAST MILE HOME
3. IF YOU EVER FALL IN LOVE AGAIN. Bill Lawrence
4. CIRCUS
5. GIVE ME YOUR HAND Perry Comm
G. I CAN DREAM, CAN'T 17 Andrews Sisters Decca 24705
7. HOP SCOTCH POLKA Art Mooney MGM 10500
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You're Breaking My Heart You're So Understanding	Ralph Flanagan and his Orchestra Vocol refrain Harry Prime	31-0001
It All Depends On You The Wedding of Lili Marlene	Ralph Flanagan and his Orch. Vocal refrain Harry Prime	31-0002
Hop-Scotch Polka The Story of Annie Laurie	Ella Logan with Orchestral Accompaniment	31-0003
Ol' Joe Louis Your Voice	Cab Calloway and his Cab Drivers	31-0004
"Hello, Hello!" Golden Slippers	Main Street String Band Vocal refrain by the Band	31-0005
Why Don't You Haul Off and Love Me Mind Your Own Business	Jesse Rogers and his '49ers	33-0001

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### THE RETAILERS PICK:

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	1.	GIVE ME YOUR HAND Perry Come Victor 20-3521
	2.	SOLITUDE
	3.	DIME A DOZEN
4	2	TELL ME WHY
	6.	THAT'S MY WEAKNESS NOW
	7.	WEDDING BELLS
		Capitol 57-40224
	8.	WHIRLWIND
	20	THAT LUCKY OLD SUN

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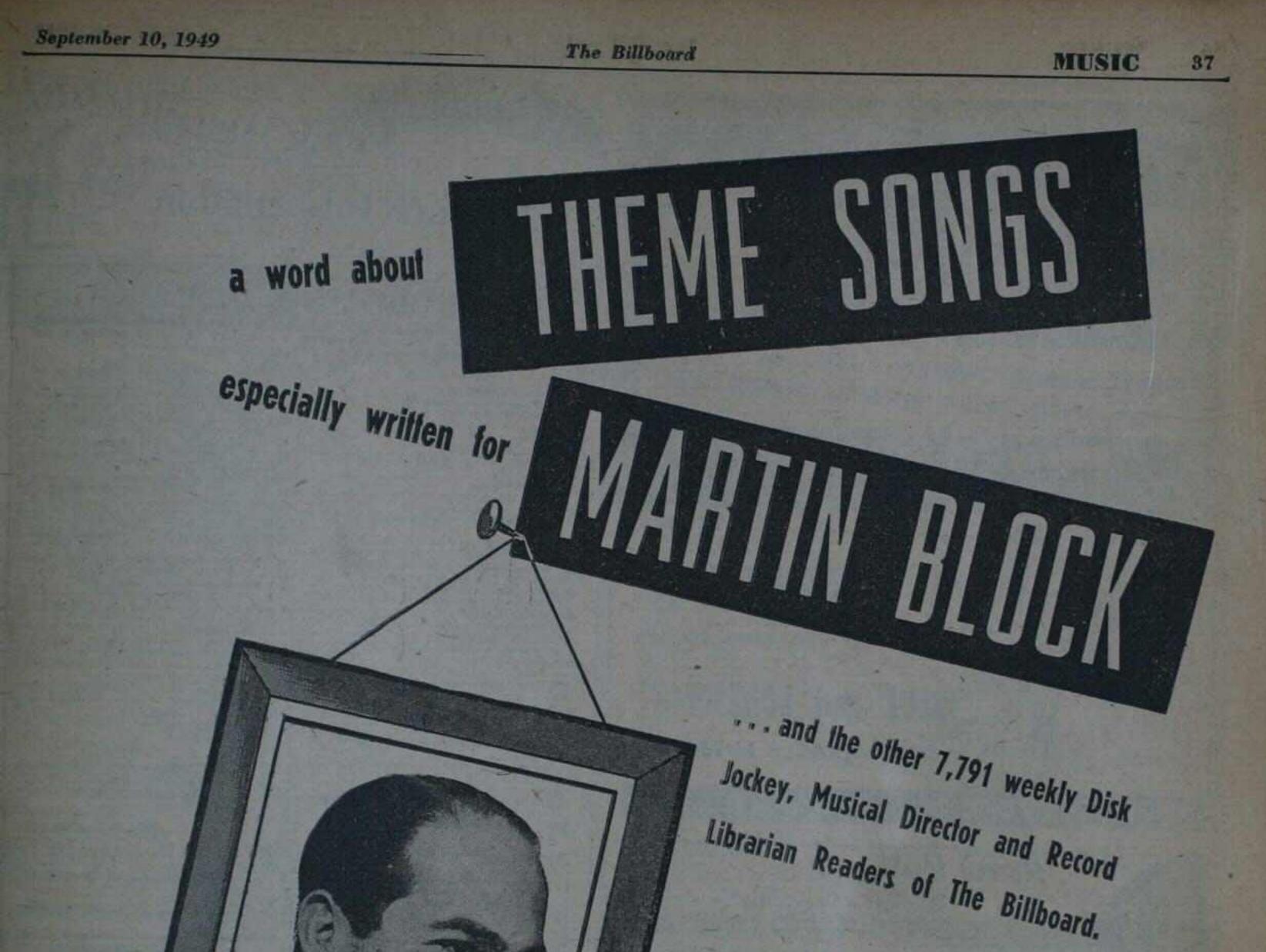
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3. DIME A DOZEN
E HOP SCOTCH POLKA
e THE WENDING OF HILL MARLENE, Gordon MacKae, Capitol D7-714
7. I WISH I HAD A RECORD

### BEST-SELLING POPULAR RETAIL RECORDS

### (Continued from page 28

	1	1	25.	NOW THAT I NEED YOU. Doris Day-Mellomen. Blame My Absent Minded Col(78)38507; (LP)1-251 Heart (K. Thompson, Dec 24695; E. Duchin Ork, Harmony 1058; (K. Thompson, Dec 24695; E. Duchin Ork, Harmony 1058; P. Laine-C. Pisher's Ork, Mer 5311; B. Hutten, Cap 57-620; P. Laine-C. Pisher's Ork, Mer 5311; B. Hutten, Cap 57-620; V. Lynn-B. Parnon Ork, London 439; J. Harvey, MOM 10453; V. Lynn-B. Parnon Ork, London 439; J. Harvey, MOM 10453; T. Manners, Varsity 191; J. Garber, Cap 57-718; P. Reed, Dance-
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dicated in parantheses preceding the record number. For example: V (78)	A. Mooney Ork (The Story) MGM 1051
20-1941; (45) 47-2354 etc.	Over Three Hills
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Christmas Greetings Album-B. Crosby-	B. Walters-E. Reed-G. Claridge Ork
Andrews Sisters-K. Lane Singers-	(I Found) O'Connor 0104
Others (3-10") Dec A-715	Rum and Soda N. Morales Ork (Don't Slam) MGM 10530
Christmas Carols (Parts I & II)	Salling Down Chesapeake Bay
Here Comes Santa Claus 24658	P. Dully's Chicagoans (Green Light) Cap 57-728
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Don't Cry, Joe (Let Her Go, Let Her Go)	V(78)20-3546; (45)47-3039 Sentimental Thoughts
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(45)47-3044	(45)47-3041
R. Carlyle (Susan Van) Coral 60103	F. Masters Ork (Alt Wien) MGM 10501
Gateway to Heaven	Somebody Loves You
J. Neison-G. Chridge Ork (Just a) O'Connor 0105	D. Middleton Ork (The Black) Cap 57-727
Golden Slippers Main Street String Band ("Heilo, Hello")	Starduit
Eluchtrd 30-6005	H. Lince (Begin the) Castle 521 Susan Van Dusan O'Shay
Green as April R. Young (September in) Happiness 101	R. Curlyle (Pollow the) Coral 60103 Take Your Finger Out of Your Mouth
Green Light Hag	11 Want a Kiss From You)
P. Dailey's Chicagoana (Sailing Down) Cap 57-728	T. Herbert Ork & D. Grady & J. Flanders
Hawalian Sunset	Tell Mr Why
B. Kaye Ork (The Last) V(78)10-3545; (45)47-3038	E. Wilson-G. Jenkins (A Dreamer's) Dec 24738
"Hello, Hello!" (What a Wonderful Word, Hello)	That Lucky Old Sun (Just Rolls Around Heaven All Day)
Main Street String Band (Golden Slip-	B Houston (The Meadows) MGM 10509
pers) Bluebird 30-0005 Homecoming Walts	H. Lance & Vocal Quartet (If My)
O. Lombardo & Royal Canadians (The	Castle 224
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J. Gledhill (The Holler-Skaters) Cap 57-9003	The Blue Shirt Walts
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B. Gale Ork (I Enew) Col 12419 Hop-Scotch Polka	The Death of Kathy Fiscus
E. Logan (The Story) Binebird 30-0003	H. Saha (I'm Sending) Donett 400
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Pric) O'Connor 0104 1 Knew From the Start	(45) 47-3037
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I Made a Mistake, Il's True	S. Eaye Ork (Hawallan Sunset)
H. Saba (Sentimental Thoughts) Doneit	(V(18)20-3545; 145147-3638
I Never See Maggie Alane	P. Como (A Dreamer's) V(TB)20-3543;
B. Hannon-J. Ryan (Ain't She) Dec 2437 I Want You To Want Me (To Want You)	(45) 47-3035
G MacHae (Wonderful One) Cap 57-723	(Continued on page 106)



Columbia (LP) ML 2058 Passacaglia and Fugue in C Minor; Toccata and Fugue in D Minor; Jesu, Joy of Man's Destring; Chorale - Prelude; Sleepera, Awake.

This should prove to be a popular LP item. It contains f fur of the more popular short liems in the huge Bach library. And they are competently performed and superbly recorded. The these scores are better than two hundred years old, they are wonderfully refreshing both in melodic values and in orchestration. The Passacaglia and Fugue are not yet available on shellae as interpreted by Ormandy, while the other three are available on two fresh Columbia singles. A fine addition to the fast growing LP list.

German Opera House Ork, Berlin-Eu-gen Jochum, director (3-12") Capitol Telefunken ECL 8024 Considering the availability of first-rate domestic waxings of these war-horses con-"YOU TOLD ducted by such giants as Toscanini and Stokowski, and the recent half-price sales, this has little value other than the prestige of its listing in the company's catalog. The conductor, comparatively unknown here, does a competent job with the dramatic material, and the recording sound is excellent. The orchestral style is on the soupy side, however.



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ITALIAN OPERATIC ARIAS-70 Helen Traubel (10") Columbia (LP) ML 2052

Verdi: Alda; Verdi: Otello; Mozart: Don Giovanni; Puccini; Tosca; Ponchielli; La Gloconda; Mascagni: Cavalleria Rusticana. A cuiling of Traubel waxings put together on one LP disking. The thrush sings with a big voice and enthusiasm, but her Germanie style doesn't suit the Italian arias too well. However, the Traubel name and the selection of workhorses she sings should combine for appeal to the lowest common denominator of classical buyers. JOCKS

JUKES Not suitable.

JUKES

Not suitable.

### NBOA TO MULL

(Continued from page 18) a State group. It's hoped that the State association discussion will stimulate the formation of other such the Indiana Roof, Indianapolis, will groups, Larry Geer, prexy of NBOA, elaborate on competition from private told The Billboard.

Dick Schreiber, editor of Vend, the magazine of automatic merchandising, and coin machine editor of promotions. Howard Sinnott, Gen-The Billboard, will explain the util- eral Artists' Corporation band exization of vending machines within ecutive, will set forth preliminary a ballroom. Doc Chinn, the Crystal preparations for the staging of the Ballroom, Fargo, N. D., is slated to first National Dance Week set for give another of his humorous talks November 13-19. Weber said that on ballroom operation, which scin- a representative of the AFM has tillated last year's NBOA get-to- been invited, but no acknowledgment gether.

problems, Eddie Gilmartin, the no confirmation has as yet been Casino Gardens, Ocean Park, Calif., will discuss promotions and West Coast terpery operation; Roy E. McIlrath, Aragon-Trianon Enter- erts, legal counsel of NBOA, on the prises, proper accounting practices current drive by NBOA to extricate for inventory control and business ballrooms from their current classifianalysis; Joe Malec, Peony Park, the cation among those types of operarelationship between the ballroom tion responsible for the payment of operator and the American Federa- the 20 per cent cabaret tax (The tion of Musicians (AFM); and Jerry Billboard, September 3).

JUKES JOCKS Not suitable. Beties versions are available.

SQUARE DANCES-Spade Cooley 80 RCA Victor P 249

6/8 To the Barn; Wagonner; Flop-Eared Mule; Ida Red; Wake Up, Susan; The Eighth of January.

The square dance fad figures to go well into the fall, and this set should go right along with it. It's without calls, which means it won't be limited to any particular section of the country. Cooley's name is strong, and so is his music here. The beat is definite on all numbers, and the playing is highly acceptable by rural standards. The selections offer sufficient variety, and wherever dance groups prefer to have their own caller, this will be a leader. Cover is not elaborate and there are no liner notes. JOCKS

JUKES Okay for country Not too useful

Jukes.

unless co - ordinated with a caller.

Jones, the Randevu Ballroom, Salt Lake City, desirable provisions which should be included in contracts.

In another clinic, Alice McMahon, clubs, while Herb Martinka, the Kato Ballroom, Mankato, Minn., will discuss his successful wedding-dance has yet been received. Several In a clinic of specific ballroom others have been slated to speak, but received.

Important part of the business session will be a discussion by Tom Rob-



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## NO. 36\_\_\_PETE WENDLING

Altho Pete Wendling has a diploma | years old, these weekly piano lessons from the DeWitt Clinton High School, at Tony Pastor's paid off. Pete enthis songwriter who started his career tered a ragtime playing contest that with a million-copy seller, Yaaka Hula Hickey Dula, gives little if any the national championship from a credit to the New York public field of eight competitors, being schools for his success. Instead, he awarded the Richard K. Fox Gold says he found his fountain of knowl- Medal by the judges, one of whom edge in the orchestra pit of Tony was Mike Bernard and another Tod Pastor's 14th Street Theater. Here he Sloan, the first jockey to ride a absorbed the intricacies of ragtime piano playing by watching Mike Bernard, the house planist, whose agile fingers could change such honky-tonk "rags" as Twelfth Street, Down Home and Cannonball into diamond belts bestowed by the owner syncopated classics.

Tony Pastor's was but a two-block walk from Wendling's 12th Street home on Manhattan's Lower East Side, and as a boy in his early teens Pete never missed a Monday matinee at this historic variety house. He always had a front-row seat on the center aisle right behind Mike Bernard where he could watch and study the master's technique. Pete didn't give much attention to the acts on the stage even when such eminent headliners as the Four Cohans and Maggie (Throw Him Down, Mc-Closkey) Cline were on the bill. He kept his eyes riveted on his idol,

was held at Tammany Hall and won horse's neck and whisper encouragement in a bangtail's ear on the run to the wire. The gold medal was a Police Gazette trophy comparable in ragtime piano playing circles to the of this sporting and theatrical weekly on John L. Sullivan and other ring champions.

After graduating from high school, Wendling got a job as pianist at the Dewey, the first of Sam Fox's chain of motion picture theaters in New York City, Wendling left this 14th Street nickelodeon a few months later when Maurice Abrahams, composer of He'd Have To Get Under To Fix Up His Automobile pursuaded F. A. Mills to hire Pete as a staff pianist. The next stop on Wendling's Tin Pan Alley itinerary was the musical publishing house in a composing mood once more of Watterson Berlin

### PERTINENT DATA ON SONGS AND SONGWRITERS

Songs used in this series are listed according to the date of their original copyright; stage musical songs, according to the year the musicals were produced, and film songs, according to the year of public release

Songs which have attained a sheet music sale of one million or more are marked with an asterisk (\*).

In the publisher listing, the name of the present publisher, and not the original publisher, is given, and songs now in public domain (titles first copyrighted in 1892 or before) have no publisher credit.

In listing of recordings, no so-called collector's items are given. The record listing is representative, not necessarily complete.

team later went to England and On the Street of Regret strikes his played an eight-week engagement at creative fancy. Then he writes the London Hippodrome. Berlin also showed Wendling what excellence. makes a popular song click and, when the author-composer of Alexander's Ragtime Band opened his fact that he has been married for 38 own publishing firm at the close of the first World War, Pete cast his Anna Frances Gillen, and niece of lot with him.

### Million-Copy Hits

Pete Wendling's name first appeared on the cover of a smash hit in 1916, when he wrote Yaaka Hula Hickey Dula, introduced by Al Jolson in Sinbad. Two years later he was credited with another million-copy seller, Oh, How I Wish I Could Sleep Until My Daddy Comes Home, and in 1919 he made it three in a row with Oh, What a Pal Was Mary. Then when Take Me to the Land of Jazz made it four of a kind and all aces, Wendling decided not to push his luck any farther and turned from songwriting to cutting master player piano rolls for the QRS Music Roll Company. During the 10-year span from 1919 to 1929 he was their principal recording artist, averaging 12 rolls a month for a grand total of about 1,500 matrices and making frequent guest appearances in music stores from coast to coast.

In 1929 Pete Wendling was back

Irving a melody that matches the words in

Pete Wendling's only claim to greatness, in his own opinion, is the years to the same wife, the former the famous vaude comic Tom Gillen. In a business that is noted for mutiple nuptials, he believes his matrimonial record rates another medal like the one Mike Bernard pinned on his coat 41 years ago when he was acclaimed the ragtime playing champ of the U.S. A. And Pete proudly admits that his Oh, What a Pal Was Mary would have had a slightly different title if the word "Anna" had fitted the rhyme scheme of his biggest hit.

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then the king of ragtime piano players, from the opening overture to the exit march. Then he went home and put into practice on a rented upright all he had observed. In 1908, when Wendling was 18 area werk- in 1908, when Wendling was 18 area werk-	
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### PETE WENDLING'S BEST KNOWN SONGS AND RECORDINGS AVAILABLE

#### **Poplar Songs** ALL THE QUAKERS ARE SHOULDER 1916-PYAAKA HULA HICKEY DULA Lyrics by E. Ray Goets and Joe Young. Mills Music, Inc. (Available on Beecs 5029 in A-462, Ray Kinney's Hawalians).

- 1918-+OH, HOW I WISH I COULD SLEEP TILL ME DADDY COMES HOME Lyrics by Sam Lewis and Joe Young. Mills Munic, Inc.
- 1919-OH, WHAT A PAL WAS MARY Lyrics by Edgar Leslie and Bert Kal-mar. Milla Music, Inc. (Available on Decca 24008 in Album A-1919, Ted Straeter and his orchestra.)

SHAKERS DOWN IN QUAKER TOWN Lyrics by Edgar Leslie and Bert Kal-mar. Mills Music, Inc. Edgar Leslie, Inc.

TAKE ME TO THE LAND OF JAZZ Lyrics by Bert Kalmar. Mills Music,

TAKE YOUR GIRLIE TO THE MOVIES Lyrics by Edgar Leslie and Bert Enlmar, Mills Music, Inc. - Edgar Leslie, Inc.

1927-RED LIPS, KISS MY BLUES AWAY With Jimmy Monaco. Lyrics by Alfred Bryan. Mills Music, Inc. THERE'S SOMETHING NICE ABOUT EVERYONE BUT EVERYTHING NICE ABOUT YOU

Lyrics by Alfred Bryan and Arthur Terker. Mills Munic, Inc.	1932-I'M SURE OF EVERYTHING BUT With George Meyer. Lyrics by Cl
1929-THERE'S DANGER IN YOUR EYES, CHERIE	O'Plynn. Words & Musin, Inc. 1934-I BELIEVE IN MIRACLES
Lyrics by Harry Richman and Jack Meskill, Bourne, Inc. This song was introduced by Harry	1937-I WOULDN'T CHANGE YOU FOR
Richman in the United Artists' film, "Putting on the Ritz." WONDERFUL YOU	WORLD With George Myer, Lyrics by David, Bregman, Vocco & Conn.
Lyrics by Max Rich and Jack Meskill. Mills Music, Inc.	1939-QUICKER THAN YOU CAN SAY " ROBINSON" With George Meyer. Lyrics by
1930-I'LL BE BLUE JUST THINKING OF YOU Lyrics by George Whiting. Leo Feist,	1941-ON THE STREET OF REGRET
SWINGING IN A HAMMOCK	Lyrics by John Elenner, Bic Munic Corp.

yrics by Tot Seymour and Charles O'Flynn, Bourne, Inc.

railable on Capitol 15089, Freddy Stewart with orchestra.)

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EASTERN BEAT . . . Bob Snyder has started a new jock show over WOKO, Albany, N. Y. . . . Dick Richmond, WLBR, Lebanon, Pa., emsees the Hershey Park Amateur Jamboree every Wednesday at the chocolate capital. . . . Bettelou Purvis, WPGH, Pittsburgh, is beating the drums for 18-year-old Don Washington, local singing discovery. . . . Mary Dee, fem Negro jock at WHOD, Homestead, Pa., after a year on the air, is pulling 90 to 100 letters a day. . . , Alix Blake, WENT, Gloversville, N. Y., sang with the Alan Holmes ork at the Tavern on the Green during a recent visit to New York. . . . Scott Douglass, formerly of WFCI, Providence, is heading home for Hollywood on a job hunt. ... Betty McDowell, WOTW, Nashua, N. H., will be married October 1. ... WTWN, St. Johnsbury, Vt., on the air a month, is elated over the fine response to its three deejays, Dave Kenney, Dave Mohr and Guy Austin. . . . Harold Jackson, formerly with WINX Washington, is branching out as a network deejay, heing heard at WOOK, D. C., and WSID, Baltimore. Negotiations for three other outlets are in the works. . . . Jon Massey has been signed by WWDC, Washington, to do a daily morning show and a Saturday night show.

PHILLY PHADDLE . . . Bon Bon, once vocalist for the late Jan Saviff, who has his own daily disk show on WDAS, called the "Bon Bon Show," embellished his interview with Louis Armstrong by bringing every member of Satchmo's all-star sextet before the microphone. On succeed-

ing days he paraded before the mike Bullmoose Jackson, Dinah Washington, Paula Watson and Duke Ellington. . . . Walt Maguire, record promotion chief for Kayler Distributing Company, made the rounds of the town's deejays with three artists linked to the Coral label, making as many trips around the record circuit with the Ames Brothers, Bill Darnell and Bob Eberly. . . . Henry Hale is filling in for Joe Nigro's spinning shows on WDAS while the latter vacations. . . . Leroy Miller added two more participating sponsors to his early-morning "Leroy Miller Club" on WFILthe Park-In Theater Company, operating drive-ins here, and the Whitehall Pharmacal Company, for Anacin. . . WIP's Mac McGuire is also doing an evening platter show from the Musical Bar of his newly opened Club Shaguire across the river via WCAM, Camden, N. J. . . . Maestro Gordon Jenkins and British disk star Dorothy Carless came to town to help KYW's Stu Wayne do his spinning show from the new showrooms of Wilkie Buick, Inc. ... Al Owens, WFPG, Steel Pier, Atlantic City, uses calvpso singer Duke of Iron as a once-weekly guest deejay. Al, by the way, admits to a gorgeous fluff on a recent show. He introduced a TD disk with Gordon Polk as the vocalist-only it chme out as "Golden Pork."

WESTERN WAX WHIRL . . . Warren Topp is deejay and pragram director at KSIM, Sikeston, Mo., switching from WTMV in St. Louis. He replaces Dick Watkins, who married a murse from Nova Scotia and is now announcing there. . . . Don Bell, KRNT, Des Moines, recently played host to Tommy Dorsey. . . . Pat Hernon, WKOW, Madison, Wis, recently did his show 2,000 feet above the city in a Navy "Constitution." Todd Purse, WJLB, Detroit, does the vocals on the new ABC-Eagle release, "Cryin' All the Way Home."

#### MUSIC 41

## Heidt Unit of 60 Starts 18-State 1-Nighter Tour Sept. 19

(Continued from page 3) tarians, Kiwanis, Chambers of Com-League, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, colleges and church groups. The show will travel a total of 7,439 miles in 70 days.

the acts, musicians, five advance men, Parade of Stars unit, both of which radio producer Jerry Bowne, musical feature talent the main show has arrangers Harrison Carlyle and Dick turned up. The Parade of Stars will audit each statement to make Hummer, two secretaries, an account- unit, however, is due to fold October full deductions for returns against ant, and a public relations man. The 1. All of its participants, including the withheld 10 per cent. advance men are routed so that a total Heidt's recording artist, Harold Parr, of three men work each city on the will be absorbed by either the main itinerary at various intervals. The unit or Contino's show. The unit first man sets up auditions for local has run for a year and a half and talent, giving the local web station played mainly in theaters, including and sponsor time to publicize the the RKO chain. Both of the road local auditions, which are open to units have been composed of approxianyone. He, hits the city approximately five weeks in advance of the men. engagement.

the city two weeks ahead of the date, immediate plans to appear on them holds the auditions set up by the personally, however.

first man, follows thru on the ad tions and newspapers. Among the campaign, and plugs holes in the pubsponsors this time will be Lions, Ro- licity set-up. The third man is the trouble shooter, arriving one week merce, B'nai Jehudah, Izaak Walton ahead of the date, checks the advance

In addition to Horace Heidt's own unit, Leer has been handling the Dick The main Heidt unit is composed of Contino Show and the Horace Heidt mately 25 persons, plus three advance publisher and Decca would share the

Heidt is currently working on the The second advance man reaches packaging of TV shows. He has no

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### **Charlie** Ventura

(Reviewed at Bop City, New York, August 23. Personal manager, Don Palmer, Booked by Associated Booking Corporation.)

TRUMPET: Conti Candoll. BOMBONE: Bennle Green. SAXES: Boots Mussuill, alto and bary HHYTHM: Teddy Kaye, plano; Shaughnessy, drums; Red Mitchell, basa, TENOR SAX, BARITONE SAX AND ARRANGERS: Roy Eral, Boots Mussulli and Pete Rugolo.

### **Count Basie**

(Reviewed at Bop City, New York, August 23. Personal manager, Milton Ebbins. Booked by General Artists Corporation.)

TRUMPETS: Jimmy Nottingham, Clark Terry, Emmett Berry, Harry Edison and

## Decca Royalty Plan Outlined; **Rackmil Seeks Payoff System**

(Continued from page 18) on net sales.

mil plan is based on two key points: Rackmil. 1. Decca will retain 10 per cent of each publisher's royalty statement for a two-year period. At the end

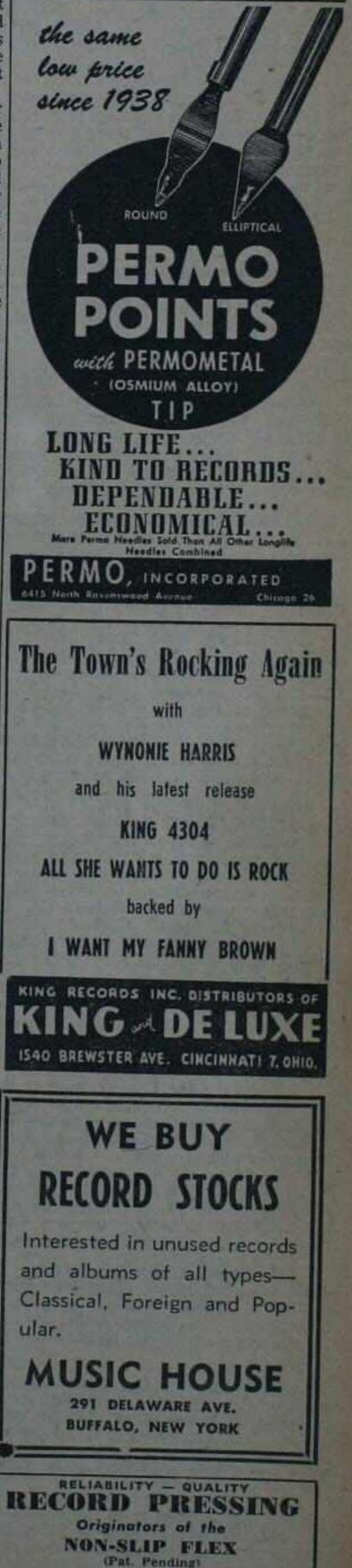
2. In the event the withheld 10 per cent does not sufficiently cover the number of returns on each given statement, then Decca proposes to pay 50 per cent of the losses beyond the withheld money to the publisher to cover the writer's share. And the remainder of the loss.

According to Rackmil, he figures such an arrangement could mean \$75,000 to \$100,000 annually to the Decca firm.

Rackmil said that he felt it would be unfair to propose a flat percentage deduction for returns similar to the Victor 81/2 per cent suggestion of some months ago. However, he said that he could not see why a disker should shoulder the full loss on royalties which, in practice, have been paid on unsold disks.

The Decca prexy explained that the second quarter pay-off was not a precedental thing. He raid that Decca had paid off in the first quarter in similar fashion. The pay-off was based on lump deductions for returns accrued to the individual publisher's tunes. If returns outnumbered the sales for a single tune, which started in the previous quarter, then the difference was taken from the total of the pubber's current statement. This procedure caused pubbers to holler that they had already paid off the writers on the previous quarter's statement, couldn't get back this money and, therefore, would suffer Basie's swinging and shouting a loss on the current statement. Rackmil claimed that the total mountain of protest was about \$5,200. Rackmil made it clear that Decca system. He added that, in spite of all the protest and hot talk, Decca to date has received only one formal complaint and that one other pubber

on all disks sold in a given quarter song contracts, which provide that in the past, according to the prexy, the disker pay royalties based only it has been said that other diskers automatically deduct for returns Rackmil, in clarifying the Decca without showing these deductions on position in the royalty uproar, said their statements. Decca's plan would sale, and provides gimmicks in the that he has submitted proposal for a put the entire royalty question on an new royalty pay-off plan. The Rack- open-and-shut business basis, claims



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VOCALS: Betty Bennett.

The small but compact and big sounding Charlie Ventura "polite" bop crew appears to have successfully straddled the loss of the Roy Kral-Jackie Cain team-a loss which had been likened to a kiss of death in most jazz circles. This group, which is primarily geared for concert presentation of the type Bop City affords, may have lost some ginger and spice in the Kral-Cain team, but it is making up a good deal of it with more adroit and varied musicianship.

The accent still is on the voiceinstrument blend originals which set the Ventura unit afire over a year ago. Thrush Betty Bennett does the man-sized chore of replacing Kral and Cain, with Ventura's tenor horn simulating what's missing from the original sound. It's still plenty distinctive despite the fact that there have been many efforts to copy the idea.

more polish in presentation than it ness. It should, rocked and swung has ever shown previously. And the to help make up for some of the individual tootlers all are of a high decided loss of prowess in the Basie caliber. is a standout, while ex-Kentonite has fallen below the average. Rather, Boots Mussulli turns in many it has come down closer to the moments of fluid and driving alto sax work. Ventura, tho he is going more and more for preconceived musical tricks, still blows one of the few "different" sounding tenor horns in the business and makes use of the same style in getting off an occasional bary sax "go."

Ventura has been working up a still solid turnstile value. dance library in order to open up the one-nighter field for his unit and, considering the group's collective musical abilities, should be able to still makes with his distinctive single do a good job of it. With his Victor finger piano figures for effective rerecordings, backed by a "Bop for the sults as well as for a marked identifi-People" promotion, Ventura's group hould have little difficulty in findng a reasonably high level income about straighten whatever problems niche among the jazz dispensing exist with this edition of the Count's outfits. Hal Webman

Gerald Wilson Ed TROMBONES: Dickie Wells, Ted Donnelly and George Matthews.

REEDS: Earl Warren, Jack Washington. Weasel Parker, Paul Gonzalves and C. Q. Price.

RHYTHM: Butch Ballard, drums; Cookle Parker, bass; Freddle Greene, guitar. VOCALS: Jimmy Rushing, Earl Warren and

the Rag Dolla. ARRANGERS: C. G. Price, Buster Harding,

Jimmy Mundy and Gerald Wilson. PIANO AND LEADER; Count Basic.

again. It took the Count about a year to find out that bop and Basie amount of money involved amidst the just don't mix. So it is a pleasurable duty to relate that the particular kind of Basie drive and bite still is intends to press its proposed pay-off with us and will remain just so long as the Count is around to dish it out.

There is much that is new and worth while, box-office-wise, with the divorce from bop possibly the most important item. Newest commercial touch to the Basie band is the formation of a vocal quintet, the Rag Dolls. They whisper-sing in the tradition of the Lunceford Trio while the band plays with the Basie rock. The group was displayed in a smart original, St. Louis Baby, on this job.

On this concert-type engagement, Basie's brass section emerged as one The group works with considerable of the most formidable in the busi-Bennie Green's tramming rhythm section. Not that the section average. It still is potent, especially when Basie's at the piano to punctuate the rhythm.

> At this writing Basie was bringing in a new tenor man, Jimmy Tyler, a showman-honk-and-squeeker in the Jacquet tradition and who should substantially increase this band's

Basie has improved tremendously as a showman and makes a most personable front for his band. He cation.

A hit Victor record would just crew. And based on the current very soon.

has phoned in to moan about it. Rackmil explained that the proposed new method of payment would simply bring into the open the matter of deducting for returns. Tho Decca has practiced 100 per cent payment



### LONDON GETS TWO

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Meanwhile, London has moved its local juke op depot (for counter selling) to larger quarters at 602 10th Avenue.

Ernie Coleman this week was named sales manager of the New York London distributing branch.

work of the band, there's no reason to believe that it won't come along Hal Webman

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## MUSIC-AS WRITTEN

### New York:

Charlie O'Brian, assistant sales manager of Times-Columbia, local disk distributor, has left to go into business for himself. . . . Mario Lanza, young tenor recently signed by RCA Victor, has been signed for four additional MGM films, following his debut in "That Midnight Kiss." They are "Kiss of Fire," "Show Boat," "Jumbo" and possibly "The Life of Caruso." . . . Folk singer Shorty Long, a Victor artist, goes to the West Coast in early October for picture work and a personal appearance tour. Bobbie Bennett is handling the expedition. Shorty's voice was heard singing "Rodger Young" in the recent Warner-Pathe Newsreel covering the burial of the war hero. . . . Bass man Eddie Safranski is leaving the Charlie Barnet band. . . . chirp Beverly Brooks left Charlie Ventura's band because of illness. She's the wife of Ventura's manager, Don Palmer.

Jimmy (Baby Face) Lewis, blues-ballad singer and guitarist, has been signed to an exclusive disk pact by Atlantic. . . . Chirp Mindy Carson has been inked to do her first theater date at the Capitol some time before mid-December, tho a definite opening date hasn't been set. She reportedly goes in for a \$2,000 weekly figure. . . Alys Robi, French-Canadian lyric writer and a Victor recording artist, is in a Canadian hospital. . . . Sy Kertman, formerly with Capitol Records in Buffalo, has joined Virginia Wicks' flackery here. . . . Pat Terry returned to the Roxy as production singer August 26. He also waxed for Hi-Tone last week. Terry now does two shows daily, five days a week, over WINS.

Sid Ascher and George Schreier have pooled their publicity and public relations set-ups. Schreier is a former sports columnist and American Broadcasting Company (ABC) flack. . . . Apollo's sales manager, Irv Katz is on the road visiting Southern distributors. . . Boppers Tadd Dameron and Miles Davis are starting a big band. . . Young Peoples' Records has bought two kiddle song packages from Leo Israel and Rudolph Goehr. Both are skedded for fall production.

The George Simon pubbery's Christmas song, "The Jolly Old Man With the Bright Red Coat and the Whiskers on His Chin," was cut by Vaughn Monroe for Victor. . . . Publicists Arthur White and Ozzie Gaines have opened a flackery here. . . . Lou Levy left for the Coast for the Andrews Sisters' reopening of their Campbell soup show on CBS Monday (29). . . . Fran Warren opened at the Chez Paree in Chicago Thursday (25).

Joe Shribman has become personal manager for Bill Darnel, Coral recording artist. . . . Columbia artists-repertoire man Joe Higgins went on vacation last week. . . . The Errol Garner Trio and warbler Johnny Hartman joined forces for a Mercury recording date last week. . . . Fernando Castro, head of the Peer-Southern Latin-American music department, entered the Polyclinic Hospital Friday (19) for treatment of a foot infection.

concert tour of the British Isles. They return home in mid-October. . . Blues warbler Laverne Ray held a cocktail party for the trade at the Baby Grand, Monday (29).

Paul Brenner, WATT deejay, asked listeners to send mail to Barclay Allen in his care and got more than 75 letters in three days. Allen is at the Washoe County Hospital in Reno, seriously injured in an auto accident. . . The new Joe and Harry Santly pubbery has been named Sanson Music. . . . Pubber George Weiner acquired the tune "I Still Love You" from Jack Philbin's now inactive John Thomas Music.

### Chicago:

Tommy Hilliard, son of Jimmy, the Coral a.-and-r. chief, is the writer of "Long John Blues," the current Dinah Washington Mercury hit. .... Peggy Murdoch is leaving Jimmy Featherstone's ork in several weeks. ... Allan DeWitt and his band cut four sides last week for the new Barthel label, operated jointly by Jack Barthel, local pubber, and Nick Wayne. Disks will retail at 79 cents. . . . Joe Musse, of Associated Booking's cocktail department here, became father of a daughter, Elaine Dee, August 12 in Chicago, while orkster Eddy Howard was presented with Eddy Jr. August 22 in Chicago. . . . Henry Durst, McConkey band chief, denied the story that his office had gone after the Spivalt hand as was reported previously. . . . Ken Harris, whose ork is currently at the Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, has been given his release by MCA. . . . Roy Mack is working in the McConkey band department. . . . Ted Cooper, the former Charlie Barnet road manager and rep of Barnet's Indigo music, is now program director at KHAS, Hastings, Neb. ... Audience participation is coming back in location jobs, with Don Robey's ork being held over because of their giveaway gimmicks at the Lake Club, Springfield, Ill., while Howard Leroy is drawing an indefinite stay at the Henry Grady Hotel with his audience gimmicks. . . . Tiny Hill currently doing seven weeks of onenighters, before starting a Midwest theater tour. . . . Miracle Records has signed the Bill Samuels Trio, once a Mercury property. . . . Swingmaster label has secured a series of old Sunbeam sides by Little Miss Cornshucks which will be released shortly.

### **Philadelphia**:

The newly reorganized Three Peppers will open their first local date at the Club Del Rio September 12, ... Carl Kappler has placed his novelty ditty, "I'm a Wreck," with Savoy Music. . . . Jolly Joyce Agency adds the Victor Hugo Sextet to its stable. The maestro is a one-time trumpeter with Paul Whiteman. . . . At near-by Atlantic City, Irving Fields will close a 10month stand at the Sun and Star Roof of the Hotel Senator September 15, opening the following night with his recording trio at the Raleigh Room of the Hotel Warwick in New York. . . . Also in Atlantic City, Eddy Bradd chalks up 10 years of music making at the Surf 'n' Sand Room of the Sea-

Doris Drew, new thrush from the Coast, comes East for her first ap- side Hotel. pearance here at Bop City, October 2. Bill Burton's her personal manager and she is due to ink a booking deal with General Artists Corporation

The board of directors of Music You Enjoy, Inc., kidiskery, has appointed Mrs. Darcy Slauson president of the outfit, pending settlement of the estate of the late president, Harry Allerton. . . . Larry Green, Vox Records' veepee, heads for Ohio and Western Pennsylvania this week to line up new distributors. . . . Santly-Joy plugger Johnny Losh has joined Kramer-Whitney Music on the Coast. . . Bibletone Records has moved to new larger quarters at 50 East 11th Street. . . . Morris Diamond, formerly with Nicky Campbell, started working for Dave Dreyer & Company August 29. Dreyer himself went to Chicago the past week to set a new man there.

Pat Lockwood is the new vocalist with Artie Shaw's 17-piece dance ork. . . . Orkster Larry Fotine, currently appearing at the Melody Mill, Chicago, cut his first transcriptions for World. They'll be released this month. . . . Country vocalist Dolph Hewitt, heard over WLS, Chicago, has signed an exclusive recording pact with RCA Victor.

Attorney Lew Dreyer moved into the new offices of his own law firm this week. . . . Contact man Johnny Green left Warren Music, Loew's publishing subsidiary. . . . Louis Adatto, of Leslie Distributors, flew to Venezuela and the Caribbean area last week to investigate the South American disk market. . . . Eddie Wilcox ork opens at the Apollo Friday (9). . . . Chappell has taken over the Ted Mossman-Sherm Feller song, "If I Were You," from Fanfare Music. . . . Herb Wald, former T. B. Harms plugger, has been appointed California rep for Knickerbocker Music. That pubbery recently acquired "Where Are Your Blue Eyes?" causing some attention via a Dana waxing.

Ink Spots, originally skedded for eight weeks in British theaters, were extended to 16, after their opener at the Empire Gardens in Morecambe. . . . Lucky Wilbur has been named Coast contact man for Campbell Music. . . . Robert Mills, formerly with the American Academy of Music, has been upped to the sales department of Mills Music, the parent firm.

Savoy Records has signed blues singer Billy Wright to an exclusive contract. . . . Herman Lubinsky, Savoy topper, has several unissued sides on hand by pianist Errol Garner, which will now be issued on the Regent rather than Savoy label. . . . Edouard Barclay, head of the Blue Star, Riviera, and Classic labels in France, and agent in that country for Mercury, Circle, and Dial disks, is in town with his wife.

Alex Bard, RCA Victor's international department head, left for Chicago to cut sessions with the bands of Johnny Vadnal and Ernie Benedict. ... Dick Brown, vocalist on "Stop the Music," cut for Rondo Records last week. The date was supervised by the diskery's Eastern rep, Gene Gold. ... Johnny Tyler, Victor cowboy disker, is on a personal appearance jaunt in Alaska, starting September 6. . . . Another RCA Victor vocalist, Fran Warren, has been signed to do a short for Gotham Films. The title is "So You'd Like To Be a Singer." . . . The Deep River Boys are on a theater and lutions imply criticism of the admin- up in the visible future.

# (GAC). She has also been signed to an MGM recording contract. . . The song-writing team of Ben Raleigh and Bernie Wayne has split. The boys penned "Laughing on the Outside" and "You're So Understanding," among others. . . Sid Tepper and Roy Brodsky, who wrote the recent hit "Red Roses for a Blue Lady," have come up with a sequel, "Thanks, Mr. Florist." Mills, who published the original, is also publishing the follow-up.

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also suggest that the Local's operating expenses can and should be pared before the attempt is made to get more money from the members, Several of the resolutions on Monday's agenda suggest how this may be done: (1) The policy of paying members of the exec board amounts in excess of their legal salaries for "extra services" to be discontinued; (2) counsel fee to be reduced from the present \$15,000 (paid to A. A. Berle) to the former \$8,500 (the fee paid to Harry Sacher, ousted later for alleged "Red" activity); (3) the size of Allegro, Local journal, to be reduced to tabloid; (4) exec and trial board salaries to be reduced from \$125 to \$100 weekly; (5) the exec board to double in brass as the trial board, and (6) appointment of employees whose salaries exceed \$50 weekly to be approved by the membership.

These recommendations are reported unfavorably by the exec board.

The Unity and Coalition parties which have been licking their wounds since last year's closely contested election, are again holding strategy meetings and readying leaflets in anticipation of the by-law meeting.

### Engagement Tax

One of the other Blue-okayed proposals would create a welfare fund financed by an engagement surtax to be paid by employers. The opposition agrees with this in principle, differing from the administration only in setting the amount of the proposed tax at 3 per cent. The administration would prefer not to bind themselves to a set figure, but rather to work out the amount needed for the fund finish the by-law business, but old by actual calculations.

istration's operations in various areas of Local activity. Among the proposals are suggestions that would: (1) publicize the vote of each member of the exec and trial board on matters appearing before them; (2) publicize trial board proceedings; (3) prevent salaried Local employees from playing engagements; (4) present master contracts for membership ratification before consummation, and (5) award relief benefits on an equal basis to members who have three or more years in the Local.

#### Voting and Elections

A dozen of the resolutions are addressed to voting and election procedure. One asks that offices of the Local be closed on election day. The board turned thumbs down on this on the grounds that it would "deprive a large number of the members of the franchise by denying them the opportunity to pay dues and to enable them to participate in the election." Another resolution would limit the franchise to members of at least a year's standing. This was reported unfavorably by the exec board, "undemocratic . . . since it would deprive many members of their right to vote." Another proposes enrollment of members prior to voting. This, too, was reported unfavorably.

One resolution is addressed to job opportunities. It asks that notice of terminating steady engagements and opening of new steady engagements be posted on the bulletin board. This was disapproved by the exec board.

How 50 resolutions can be voted on, no less discussed in one membership meeting, no one seems to know. Continuation meetings may be voted to 802 hands say that no amount of Many of the remainder of the reso- meetings could possibly wrap it all

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## VAUDE GAZES INTO CRYSTAL Houses Outside Det. Plan Flesh, No Policy in City

DETROIT, Sept. 3 .- The organization of a suburban and out-State circuit of theaters using the Palace Theater type of shows, contrasts with the complete absence of a regular vaudeville policy in this city. The key house for the suburban area will be the 1,500-seat Harbor Theater, located about 10 miles south of downtown in the downriver suburb of Ecorse, which breaks in its unit September 18 upon a split-week basis, playing Sunday thru Tuesday, The Harbor, operated by Andrew and Daniel Bzovi, was opened just under a year ago as a motion picture house.

#### New Set-Up

Under the new set-up, the house will advance prices from 50 to 60 cents for adults and from 20 to 25 cents for children. A second run B picture, will also be used.

For the other four days, the house will continue its present policy as a key or third run film house, playing standard double bills at the old admission prices.

Ernie Mitchell's band, a five-piece unit, will go in as the house band to go with the five-act vaudeville bill. The Mount Clu Agency, New York, are the bookers.

The Harbor will follow Toledo, 55 miles south, and precede dates set for the Harold Bernstein circuit at Bay City, 100 miles north, and a theater at Flint, Mich., 60 miles north, allowing jumps for acts between dates on the circuit.

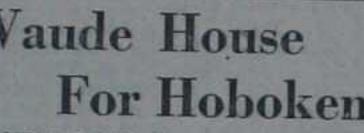
## Misinterpretation

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Communications to 1564 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 3 .- Consternation reigned for a time in local RKO offices this week following the receipt from its New York headquarters of a terse note, "Explain this, please," attached to a clipping of the story headed "So Biz Is Bad!," which appeared on page 3 in last week's issue of The Billboard.

Apparently misinterpreting the story, the New York office seemingly conceived the idea that one of its local execs was speaking out of school and taking a pot-shot at vaudeville. Neither was true. The story arose from a harmless phone conversation, and rather than serving as a blast at vaude it merely reiterated what has long been known wherever vaude is shown, that a good vaude bill will always outdraw the average straight-picture fare.



## Where Is It Going? Work's Up 400%, But Not Constant With Split Weeks, Spot Dates

### Total Time 40 Weeks on Chains; Indies Have Problems

(Continued from page 3) weeks an act can work without layoffs.

among Boston, Cincinnati, Cleveland. Chicago; Newark, N. J.; Sioux City, Davenport and Cedar Rapids, Ia.;

**Union Oil Preps** 

Anniv. Tour of Interstate Set-Up Vaude House The next largest is the Interstate 30 - City Vauder For Hoboken HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 3 .- Union Oil Company of California has commissioned William Morris Agency NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The Rialto, to organize and produce a vaude Hoboken, will reopen with vaude show which will tour 30 principal September 15 under a new operator. Western cities as part of oiler's 60th For the past few summers the house, anniversary celebration. One of the which seats 1,100, has played sub- largest theatrical deals made by an way circuit legiters. Before that it industrial firm, show will open a was a burly stop on the Columbia six-week tour of one-nighters in Circuit. least 50 solid weeks. March of next year, playing theaters The new policy will call for six and auditoriums throout this area The Schine Circuit, extending from acts plus a flicker working on a split- Admission will be free and by inviweek basis. One bill will be in for tation only, tying in with local dealers four days and one for three. There's and distributors of the firm's products. a possibility that vaude will be split William Morris act department exec into three days each, with Sunday Ben Holzman will be in charge of the given over to concerts. The house show, which will include standard will be scaled from a 40-cent to a vaude acts built into a revue-type 75-cent top to compete with picture presentation running well over an theaters in the area. hour. Show will also feature a 30fice has split-weekers and one full The new op will be Michael Russo, minute motion picture being made to week between Newark, Reading, Pa., who has leased the spot for five order by Hal Roach studios. At least and Paterson, N. J. The Hippodrome, 50 artists will be required, according years, with options, from Pat Mun-Baltimore, booked by Sherman, has doza. The booker will be Mickey to present plans, plus ork and admindropped flesh, the it is possible it may Owens: istrative persoanel. (See Vaude Gazes on page 56) the Mills Brothers week of July 8 and below the \$43,000 house record set averal years ago by the Tex Beneke Beverly Hills Club, Cincy Front Serene Petrillo Asks N.O., Sets Reopening In Unions' Tangle NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The Bev-**AFM-ers Drop** erly Hills Club, New Orleans, will reopen its season October 22. The CINCINNATI, Sept. 3. - Local first show will consist of Jackie spokesmen for both the AFM and Miles, Luba Malina and Beatrice AGVA are agreed that there is little **AGVA Cards** prospect that the latest James C. Kraft. Subsequent shows will have Joe Petrillo edict concerning the AGVA E. Lewis, Dorothy Shay, Betty Bruce, will have any effect on local theater Danny Thomas, Mitzie Green and or nitery operation. Contacted by Agents Given Warnings others now being set. The Billboard yesterday, Robert Edwards, local AGVA chief, said: "We have no guarrel with the musicians' (Continued from page 22) **B'port's Fire Law Threat** union here, and neither is there one ized AGVA as "crooks" and accused brewing. I don't anticipate any difit of raiding the AFM. BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Sept. 3. ficulty here." Fire Chief Martin Haydon assailed Barto made another appeal to Green July 25. He wrote him, "Too the failure of many niteries and op-Oscar Hild, president of local 1 erators of places of public entertainmuch time has been spent catering AFM, told The Billboard that he ment in this city to comply with reguto the whims of Mr. James Petrillo, couldn't foresee any immediate relations of the State Fire Safety Code flaunting his dictatorial policies as percussion locally as a result of the pertaining to auxiliary lighting sys-Petrillo ruling. "Of course, if the he pleases. - Is the reluctance of the tems. He said last week that he would thing expands into something na-American Federation of Labor to intercede in the matter I have prenot sign liquor permit renewal applitional the local situation could cations for any spot which had not viously brought to your attention a change," Hild said. complied with the requirements of the tacit admission of fear of Petrillo, or will you as president of AFL . . . He stated that "State regulations there is no excuse for their failure defend the rights granted in our AFL regarding the lighting systems have charter and constitution for which to comply." The code regulations became efbeen explained to proprietors of these we are regularly remitting a per capplaces by the fire department and fective thruout Connecticut July 1. (See Two-Union Bomb on page 51)

Minneapolis; Kansas City, Mo.; Dayton, and Columbus, O.; Rochester, N. Y., and Syracuse. But with the RKO, for example has the most exception of its New York Palace work. It has about 14 weeks divided and RKO Boston, it runs its Palacetype shows in different cities one each month. Many of its towns have split weeks, and some are open for only spot shows. The chain hopes to open additional houses in the future.

In its heyday, the Keith Time, predecessor of the present RKO, had two years solid work on the road. New York alone had 10 to 12 weeks.

Time, out of Texas, with eight weeks in the Southwest. The chain started its shows August 18 and closes them in Memphis October 9. However, many are split weeks and some are one-nighters. This return of vaude to Interstate isn't by any means a set policy. It plans to send out additional shows after Thanksgiving, and if it then pays off, it may continue it on a regular basis. In the old days Interstate was good for at

## M'pls House Off; **31G for Crosby**

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 3. - A \$31,500 gross for the week ended September 1 was racked up by the Bob Crosby-Three Stooges-Penny Edwards-Ted Weems unit at Radio City Theater (4,000 seats).

The take was under the \$42,000

The house scale was 50 cents until p.m., 65 cents from 1 to 5 p.m. and o cents after that hour. Sunday's abs were 65 cents until 1 p.m. and 5 cents thereafter.

The next flesh offering is set for the week of September 16 and will indude Edgar Bergen and Charlie Mc-Carthy, Tony and Sally De Marco, velte and Vic and Adio.

Hollywood AGVA, **AFM Relations OK** 

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 3 .- It's still eaches and cream as far as relations etween locals here of the American ederation of Musicians (AFM) and merican Guild of Variety Artists AGVA) are concerned. Despite FM Prexy James C. Petrillo's saber attling in AGVA's direction, Eddie tio, AGVA head here, told The Billoard that the same feeling of friendly o-operation exists between AFM and GVA locals.

Rio said he will abide by rules and law. egulations of AGVA's national body n the matter and will neither back own nor seek to initiate differences with musicians here.

Montreal down thru small towns in New York State into Lexington, Ky., has between six and seven weeks. Most of it is split between two and three-day dates booked by the Dow office. Abe and Joe Feinberg have about 21/2 weeks of total time broken up into split weeks in Pennsylvania and Providence. The Sherman of-

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### **Bleacher Fan**

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NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Howard, of the knockabout dance team, Helene and Howard, stopped off at the RKO booking offices where he was to meet his partner. He asked the receptionist if his partner had come in.

"There's a little blond girl here. Is that her?"

"Gee, I dunno," said Howard, scratching his head. "When I saw her a week ago she was a brunette."

**Detroit Frolic Theater Folds** After 3 Wks. of Negro Vaude

DETROIT, Sept. 3 .- Frolic Theater, small north end house, has folded She has now added some voice to give Negro stageshow policy. The house Most of her songs were standard with Frilick and redecorated.

Several operators had previously tried running straight pictures, including Detroit's only commercial experiment with 16mm. shows, but had given up. The house had been closed for over a year before Frilick tried it.



NIGHT CLUB REVIEWS

Village Vanguard, N. Y. (Wednesday, August 24)

Capacity, 125. Price policy, \$2 minimum Operator, Max Gordon, Booking, non - ex-clusive. Publicity, Jay Russell. Estimated budget this show, \$900.

A new policy of grind shows started a month or so ago is apparently paying off. The night the show was caught the room was jammed. The present bill is almost entirely musical. with the only singing coming from Mary Osborne,

Miss Osborne, who's breaking in a single, is probably one of the top fem guitarists around. She plunks a sensitivity that is amazing to hear. some effective arrangements. As a canary, the girl is adequate, tho with her guitar playing she wraps it up for a pleasant package.

Mary Lou Williams holds down the middle with her wonderful piano work. The the girl has no peer on the Steinway among the fems, she has to be listened to very carefully. Unfortunately, cafe customers lose interest very quickly. Miss Williams has been around too long for this reviewer to tell her what to do to make her act more commercial. But it seems to us that an addition of familiar pops simply keyboarded could get wandering attention more surely than esoteric jazz arrangements which appeal to the cognoscenti.

The J. C. Heard outfi. (plano, sax, drums, bass) played a couple of sets for sight values, backed Miss Osborne and played for dancing. The boys made quite a thing out of Caravan with Heard's exciting druin solos mesmerizing the audience.

Bill Smith.

### Chez Paree, Chicago (Thursday, September 1)

Capacity, 525. Shows at 8:30, 13 and 2. Operators, Joe Jacobson and Mike Pritzel. Booking policy, non-exclusive Producer, Doro-thy Dorben. Publicity, Bob Curley. Estimated budget this show, \$8,000. Estimated budget last show, \$6,500. Price policy, \$3.50 minimum with 55-cent cover.

Current bill is the first one in years at this showcase cafe in which there are only two supporting acts. Usual three-act support was cut to let headliner Danny Thomas give the audience its fill and still maintain the three-show schedule. Thomas is suthat amplified box with a skill and nitery savoir-faire that's seldom a sensitivity that is amazing to hear. equaled. He works nearly an hour every show with never a laughless moment, except when he's punching across his dramatic talent.

As usual, Thomas works in plenty of gags about his start at the 5100 Club here, but the continuity is smooth and the gags and dialects are sharp. He hits his peak in a 15minute parody on South Pacific (SP) which he dubs North Atlantic. A top piece of writing, it includes parodies-of every song in SP, with each better than its predecessor. Bit had the room in a tumult. Thomas spent his last 15 minutes doing a refurbished ode to a wailing Syrian that sent him off to salvos.

Tapster Ginger Kinney, a pocketsized edition of a titian-tressed Petty girl, captured eyes with her chassis and work. She inserted plenty of whirls and spins in her excellent tap work to rate excellent mitting in the opening spot.

Thrush Fran Warren suffered in this booking, for the gal is a song stylist who depends upon her interpretation of a standard or pop to put her over. Crowd here was anxiously awaiting Thomas, and the gal didn't pack enough nitery fare punch. Her closing I Wanna, a special material bit with double-entendre chorus, was the only number that got attention. Gal has been getting little disk jockey play on her Victor sides, a factor which makes her almost unknown locally. Production numbers were holdover. Cee Davidson's ork and Walter Popp. Thomas's 88-er, did excellent backup jobs. Johnny Sippel.

### Ciro's Hollywood (Wednesday, August 31)

Dapacity, 400, Price policy, no cover, Shat 9:30 and midnight Booking policy, a sector, H. D. Hover, Breas, Jack Diama Jim Byron. Estimated budget last at \$3,500; estimated budget this show, \$4,000

It's a sock show with Patti Moand Ben Lessy in the spotlight, Rin siders, who fondly recall Moon Lessy sessions at Slapsy Maxie's of few years back, are delighted to fi the comedy pair surpassing the former laugh riots. Material is no and written with a sharp pen aim at keeping patrons' laughs rolling rapid succession.

The twosome opens with a paro old-time tunes presented in on manner that affectionately cariac tures old vaude days. A series take-offs on name attractions are in tegrated into a single routine which leaves 'em rolling in the aisles. ' this, Lessy tells Miss Moore he ca do anything her favorites do, an proceeds to try it. First in line, Jose Iturbi, whom Lessy brushe off with an occasional one-hande chord at the piano while he "directs the ork with the other hand. He the uses his nose on the keys to fill in fo the missing hand and brings down the house.

Take-offs on Dean Martin and Jack Cole win strong response. Version of the former was particularly ap-preciated, inasmuch as Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis had closed here the night before. High on the Moore-Lessy laugh ladder is the duo's Breakfast in Bed, a riotous routine based on Mr. and Mrs. morning shows, which is delivered complete with zany singing commercials. Number supposedly explaining how Lessy and Miss Moore joined to create their act is delivered to the strains of a South Pacific medley, Equally laughworthy are such routines as Sheik of Araby; Wait 'Til the Sun Shines, Nellie and The Mountains Ain't the Mountains Anymore. Latter ends with a violent square dance, Lessy injecting the calls, while Miss Moore and dancer Walter Long, who appears earlier in the bill, pair off as partners. For the wind-up, Moore and Lessy blend voices on a parody of Baby, It's Cold Outside ("We really must go"). Walter Long opens with an impressive display of dance technique. His routines show imagination and originality, and their flawless execution points up this lad's capabilities. Jack Nye, a capable Steinwayer in his own right, fronts the ork, supplying appropriate support for acts and dance music for the patrons. Bobby Ramos's rumba combo is held over.

## Currently Capitol Theatre NEW YORK THE BILLBOARD Sept. 3rd . . . Jay Marshall is a polished comedian with a devastating line of sharp, self-deprecatory patter. Management MARK J. LEDDY LEON NEWMAN WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO JACKIE WHA Now Headlining for Tivoli Theatres (6th Month) AUSTRALIA

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### The Oasis, Los Angeles (Sunday, August 21)

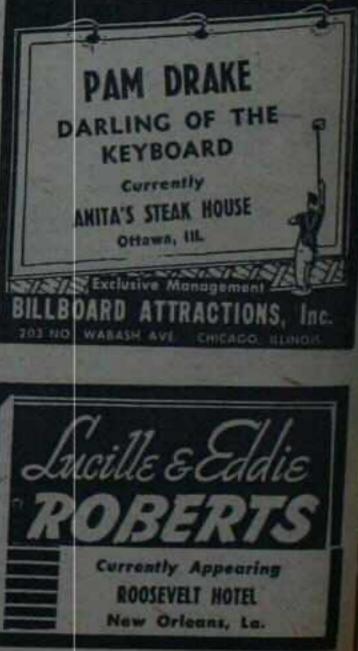
Capacity, 180. Price policy, no cover or min-imum, Shows at 9, 11 and 1. Owner-operator, Eddie de Sure, Booking policy, non-exclusive, House booker, Eddie de Sure, Estimated budget this show, \$800.

This nabe spot caters to the campus trade of near-by University of Southern California. Occasionally, Eddie de Sure books a name or semi-name act to hypo biz, but more often utilizes spot to break in new talent. Apparently, this is one of the reasons Mal Hogan is on the bill with the Buddy Worth Trio and Carol (Mrs. Buddy Worth) who pipes with her hubby's group.

Hogan, young, personable chap with a smooth and easy bary voice, injects sincerity into his song interpretations. but lacks the confidence and stage presence which should come after more experience in facing a crowd. Hogan is faced with the necessity of developing a song style of his own for the showbiz scene is far too crowded with vocalists lacking individuality.

Buddy Worth's group (Worth on piano; Milt Morring, guitar; Dick (Bunky) Jones, bass) churns out a clean-cut brand of music-making, which is evidenced in its accompaniment of Hogan's songs and in supplying dance music. Buddy (he's songwriter Bobby Worth's brother) started the group about a year ago when he left his piano bench in the Tri-Tones. His cute and winsome wife, Carol Mitchum, adds considerably to the trio's salability. Her vocalizing doesn't excite the ear, but visually gal's song selling talents pull plenty of paims and show potential. Lee Zhito.

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## VAUDEVILLE REVIEWS

### Strand, New York (Priday, Beptember 2)

Capacity, 2,700 seats. Price range, 75 cents-\$1.50. Four shows daily. Warner Chain Booker, Harry Mayer. Show played by name band on bill.

This theater's return to flesh is a 371/2-minute stageshow consisting entirely of socko Latin music and chanting by Xavier Cugat's 23-person outfit. While it was good, it is doubtful if a straight Latin fare with no side dishes is the answer to declining b. o. figures.

Cugat, fronting his band in good fashion, got laughs for his broken English intros and pitches. He used his Mexican hairless dog for a giggle, he used a small doll (lost on the stage) for the same kind of effect. He joked about his sidemen. But all of it added up to a dance band on stage and no dancing in the aisles. The fact that Cugat is doubling from the Astor Roof may have accounted for the lack of running time. But whatever the reason, the show needs a comic and some singing which isn't all in one tempo.

The only relief from straight rumba and samba was a dance team, Tato and Julia, an exciting couple which went thru the usual Latin dances ending with the inevitable waterfilled glasses balanced on their heads.

The house was jammed opening day, but from the reaction of the crowd, it too was amazed at the brevity of the stageshow and the lack of laugh material.

Picture, White Heat. Bill Smith.

### Palace, Milwaukee (Wednesday, August 31)

Capacity, 2,800. Price policy, 50 to 98 cents daily. Four shows weekdays; five shows week-ends. Booking policy, non-exclusive. show played by Palace Theater house band.

show, booked here from WSM, Nashville. Comedy acts, Rod Brasfield and Minnie Pearl, pipe in here weekly over the NEC weekly seg of the Opry. A check of record stores here revealed that h. b. disks are not stocked in the majority of stores. Show opened with the house ork, garbed in rustic shirts and bandana, the pace with the first two acts and going into a h. b. medley. Then Cowboy Copas and his King recording Oklahoma Cowboys took over, with ing and some of the best comedy the powerful baritone doing a series heard here in a long time and the of his standard hits, including Fili- show winds up with a standard flash pino Baby and Signed, Sealed and act for a thoroly satisfying evening. Delivered. Copas's four-piece ork is an excellent stage musical group, went to Paul Gray, a cafe comic with eliciting frequent hands for their a rep around the Midwest. Gray, a howy musical presentation. Entire bald, natty dresser, worked as tho group, inspired by the leader's ready he had been in the business for years. mile, sparkled.

### Paramount, New York (Wednesday, August 31)

Capacity, 3,654. Price policy, 55 cents-\$1.50. Number of shows, four daily: five Saturdays. House and chain booker, Harry Levine. Show played by Carmen Cavallaro's ork.

The Paramount has a box-office natural in its new flicker, Bing Crosby's Top o' the Morning, so the management deserves credit for booking a stage bill of its present high caliber. The new presentation, while no show stopper, is smoothly staged and pleasantly presented with solid entertainment values provided by Carmen Cavallaro's polished pianistics and the youthful vitality of the De Marco Sisters.

Cavallaro, a suave emsee and fine pianist, more than compensated for his musicians' lack of sales knowhow with his fancy key work and flashy smile. His colorful style was showcased on a dramatic arrangement of Jealousy and an exciting Voodoo Moon, He closed the show with the latter, and it's still his best number. Music-wise, the band (15 pieces, including 5 fiddles) was competent, and the boys looked good in bright red jackets, but their overall stage presence was apathetic. This lack of verve was glaringly apparent on the show's opener, when the band took a dispirited vocal chorus on There's Yes, Yes, in Your Eyes. Vocalist Bob Lido made an excellent impression, tho, with his slow, sexy rendition of Bali Ha'i. The good looking young bary showed fine control on his sustained high notes and handled the mike with assurance.

### De Marco Sisters

The five De Marco Sisters, pretty, poised and quite grown up, received a warm reception. Visually the girls are bright, personable and refreshingly unaffected. Vocally, they've ma-The show itself ran smooth, the tured into one of the finest groups in ass was off the first three days, for the business, with showmanly arthe Beer City is acquainted with only rangements and well nigh perfect two members of the Grand Ole Opry (See Paramount, N. Y. on page 46)

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nto a good Kentucky clog closer, See Palace, Milwaukee, page 46)



### Palace, New York (Thursday, September 1)

Capacity, 1,700. Price range, 55 cents-\$1.20. Four shows daily. RHO chain booker, Dan Friendly. Show cut by Don Albert's house ork.

The new bill opens up fast, keeps then slows down. But the pace change is made up for by adroit sing-

The next-to-closing slot on this one He had assurance, poise, delivery and Comedian Lazy Jim Day scored material that drew yocks on top of nicely with his casual presentation of yocks. When he walked off, the apseries of novelty songs, before going plause and the laughs were tremendous.

#### Marino Sisters Open

Opening act was the Marino Sisters (3), all brupettes, who started with precision dancing and went into a fast acro routine full of walkovers, butterflies and tumbles. The welldressed girls worked fast, finishing in a series of whirling dervish tumbles for a big mitt.

The Madcaps, on in two, were another high applause winner. Basically a harmonica act, the two boys registered with comedy bits, using all kinds of mad props. . One boy works straight on the harmonica, the other does the comedy. Two bits are funny, the comic overacts so much he takes off the edge. With proper pruning the Madcaps could work any spot in the country. They look good and work very well.

Will and Gladys Ahern, in the trey slot, did their standard act to chuckles as the male slowly built material chatter based on timely topics, while working his rope. The gal, used mostly to dress up the act, worked in the dance sets to give the act a (See Palace, N. Y. on page 46)



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## Hotels COAST TO COAST



## Vaudeville's Return to L. A. **Orpheum Gets Hero's Welcome**

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 3 .- Return of only taking a breather. vaude to the Los Angeles Orpheum was heralded with the fanfare that downtown streets were draped with ville is back at the Orpheum.

Store windows along Broadway bear placards saluting vaude's return, May Company and Eastern-Columbia, department stores, each devoted daffy-dame format. Mercer Brothers a full window display to welcome vaude. The Los Angeles Newspaper Publishers' Association, notoriously frigid toward showbiz, plugged the event. Police blocked off the street and assigned 25 men to the Orpheum detail.

Paramount's television station, KTLA, covered the opening. Milton Berle, along with other showbiz notables, appeared. Berle held the stage for 15 minutes, wowing the patrons. Sherril Corwin, the theater's operator, brought a bus load of vaude old-timers from the Actor's Home to be his guests in witnessing the comeback of what once was pronounced dead. But the Orpheum's s.r.o. biz and patrons' enthusiasm for the show acts. Pic, A Canterbury Tale. told them that vaude was never dead,

Orpheum's revival bill offers solid entertainment tailored for the family befits the homecoming welcome of trade. First slot goes to the De Havens, a hero. Mayor Fletcher Bowron de- a capable acro dance trio, who are clared this "Vaudeville Week" and enthusiastically received. Joey Rardin moves in for a couple of rib-tickling flags and banners proclaiming vaude- gags and songs but gets his mightiest mitting for a panto take-off on old vaude turns. Clifford & Marion follow for a stretch of gags, pulling yocks with their straight-man to win palms for their zany precision routines, followed by their take-off on a Spanish dance duo. The Lady Killers, a standard barbershop quartet, added to the heavy nostalgia with a brace of yesteryear songs. Britt Wood's harmonica and patter and his shy stage manner proved he is still a solid act. Virginia O'Brien, filmland chantoosey, drew bellylaughs with her frozen-faced song renditions. Wiere Brothers, in the last slot, brought down the house with their silly Strad work, romping about the stage and their accompanist (Mildred Seymour).

Rene Williams's pit ork turns in a commendable job in supporting the

Lee Zhito.

## **Palace Bringing Top Show Back**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The Palace is going to bring back its top grossing eight-act show, that has been playing all over the RKO circuit The show will come in September 22.

Acts were chosen from those who played the Palace and who, in the opinion of management, did the best job. Some of these acts were on the first Palace bill others played subsequent weeks.

The bill will have Pat Rooney Dolinoff and the Raya Sisters, Wally Brown, Berk and Hallow, Hammond Birds, the Watson Sisters, the Chords and Mack, Russ and Owen.

### PARAMOUNT, NEW YORK

(Continued from page 45) blend work. The brunet quintet teed off with a bouncy Hucklebuck, fullowed by the oldie, Pretty Baby, and displayed nicely restrained vivacity on I'm in Love With a Wonderful Guy. Their encore Sweet Sixteen which they sang in pure-pitched harmony t cappella, was their most effective number and won a tremendous hand.

Gary Morton is a clean comic with the makings of a fine funny man Right now his material is weak, but his fresh, fast delivery and likable manner sparked an enthusiastic reaction. He started slow with some stale gags, but the crowd warmed up fast when he went into a half-kidding mimic routine, and his bow-off, a scarf waving take-off on a two-timing torch singer, brought down the house.

The Vanderbilt Boys, an acro-terp turn, opened the show. Smartly cosand walked off to hefty applause. June Bundy.

## Stem Grosses Up 101G to 403; Roxy 118G, Para 65, Cap 77

Roxy and the Capitol, were strong Morton and Top o' the Morning. enough to bring the over-all takes up Capitol (4,627 seats; average \$44,-

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Two new | viewed this issue) has Carmen Cavalbills this week at the de luxers, the lero's ork, the DeMarco Sisters, Gary

to \$403,000, against last week's \$302,- 000) drew a tidy \$77,000 for its preem turned in stylized white tie outfits, week with the Dave Rose ork, Jay the short stocky acrobats pulled a big Marshall, Eileen Barton and Madame hand with their hand balance routine Bovary. Palace (1,700 seats; average \$24,-000) did \$20,000 last week with Helene and Howard, Chris Cross, six other acts and Red Stallion. Last week's take was \$21,000. The new bill (reviewed this issue) has Will and Gladys Ahearn, Paul Gray, six other acts and House Across the Street.



**GIVE TO THE RUNYON CANCER FUND**  000. This jump was made despite the sharp decline at the Music Hall.

Radio City Music Hall (6.200 seats: average \$127,000) fell back to \$123,-000 for its fourth week with Piero Brothers and Good Old Summertime, from a third week's figure of \$141,000.

Roxy (6,000 seats; average \$73,000) zoomed to a big \$118,000 for its initial frame of Jack Haley, Martha Stewart and Male War Bride. The last week of the outgoing show did \$65,000.

Paramount (3,654 seats; average \$68,500) wound up its four-weeker of Tex Beneke ork, Vic Damone and Rope of Sand with \$65,000. The bill change of pace. Ahern's comedy is opened to \$100,000, went to \$90,000 full of sly lines that draw giggles for the second week and \$77,000 the rather than yocks. But as it kept third week. The new show (re- coming, the audience followed. In-

### PALACE, MILWAUKEE (Continued from page 45)

Brasfield got a good hand and promptly showed he deserved it. A seedy-looking lad in baggy suit, he has terrific timing that takes his corny dialog into the upper brackets. He walked off to a deserved juicy hand.

Lou Childre, who emseed the show, should slow down his chatter, for he is a real hillbilly and hard to understand north of the Mason-Dixon Line. His first song, Elevated Train Blues, was wasted effort due to poor articulation. His closing number, Baptism of Sister Lucy Lee, is an animated bit that got better attention.

Ernest Tubb, the Texas Troubador, offered several of his standard Decca hits, which were greeted with good hands, showing his popularity here. Tubb is singing better and the audience gave him good mitts.

Minnie Pearl netted the biggest hand on the show, her corny mannerisms winning as much yockage as her gags. Closed with her perennial Careless Love, after which she and Brasfield teamed for a "sparking" bit that was a high point of the hour go well in bigger budgeted houses. show. Routine won nothing but yocks.

each member of the cast did a short live hand. Pic, The House Across the specialty. Johnny Sippel.

### PALACE, NEW YORK

(Continued from page 45) cidentally, the act has some delightful music.

Leni Lynn, tiny redhead, came out in center fancy which highlighted her English opera background. Despite her size, Miss Lynn, a pretty youngster in a green gown which showed off her carrot top, gave out with a voice surprising in one so small. Using a clear soprano, she did a couple of foreign longhair things and finished with an English My Hero to enthusiastic hands. The gal is a class performer. She can work any room in the country. On a vaude stage she'd fit almost any bill where a longhair singer was needed.

Lela Moore's standard boy-girl act did okay. Using her two-sexed costume, Miss Moore lent plausibility to the park bench scene for good hands. Johnny Woods, a brash youngster, uses radio commercials and soap operas for his material. With it he does a lot of take-offs on radio and flicker names. The boy has the makings of an act, tho it's so weighted down with corn and superfluous stuff that it's lost in a welter of words. Tho the audience liked him, it is doubtful if his act, as caught, would

Gautier's Steeplechase, the ponies and the dummies as "riders," closed Show closed with a finale in which the show to its customary apprecia-Street. Bill Smith.

New Partner for Gay Paree

DETROIT, Sept. 3 .- The Club Gay Paree, North End spot, has a new partner, Paul J. Stasys, a newcomer to the night club field. John Kulikauskas, formerly sole owner, remains as a partner. The club is using a small combo for dancing, with Tominy Rye's unit, here for the past two seasons, booked indefinitely.



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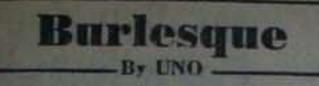
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TUDSON THEATER and land in Union City, N. J., has been purchased by Phil Rosenberg, Sam Cohn and the Hirst estate from Intercity Theaters, Inc., of which the late Jules Leventhal was prexy. The house has just undergone a \$30,000 face-lifting on the interior. . . Abe Minsky, father of Harold Minsky, is seriously ill of heart disease in Flower Hospital, New York. ... Jimmie Pinto, newly teamed with Joan Thomas, opened September 2 at the Orpheum, Brooklyn, and will continue playing vaude dates. . . . Nona Carver has joined Inez Claire and Red Marshall in Bob Bigg's revue at the Follies, Los Angeles. . . . Jackie Whalen, who is in his sixth month on the Tivoli Circuit in Australia, is doubling at Sammy Lee's nitery in Sydney. . . . Connie Dale Rosenberg recently played host to Irene Siegman and Lou Howard burlesquers of former days, at her home in Bel Air, Md.

**RETTY LAVERNE** is the new chorus captain at the Hudson, Union City, N. J. Other Montgomeryettes at the house include Joan Kennedy, June Martin, Valerie Hudson, Joan Sorenson, Gloria Keeth, and Renee Corday, parade girls, and Doris May, Dottie Lewis, Connie Nash, Jean Allen, Lee Robinson, Nina Dale, Lorraine Terberuggen, Ann Olsen, Veronica Vale and Betty DeWitt, dancers. . . . Augie Cicella has installed a television set for performers in the basement dressing room of his Gem Theater, Chicago. . . . Lou Ascol and Moe Garry are reunited on the Hirst Wheel after three years apart dur-(See Burlesque Notes on page 49)



### Industry News Of the Week

(Continued from page 16) vision lecture series, beginning October 10 in Chicago.

RCA Victor and Raymond Rosen & Company, regional distributor in Philadelphia, are co-sponsoring the "WFIL-TV Newsreel." . . . Sidney N. Goldberg, general sales manager for Decca Records, announced the appointment of two new distributors, Gulf States Company in Chattanooga, Tenn., and the Carol Company in Charlotte, N. C.

### DENNIS DAY

(Continued from page 13) to know all there is to know about "l'amour."

new Victor disk), the sprightly My One and Only Highland Fling and a Springtime. Day's songs should be of serving as curtain waits.

usual "Palmolive facial" routine, the pitch being that "two out of every Montgomery, Dorothy White, Ann three women, regardless of age, can Mich., for a visit with Harry Blackface-washing. Me, I'm dirty.

June Bundy.

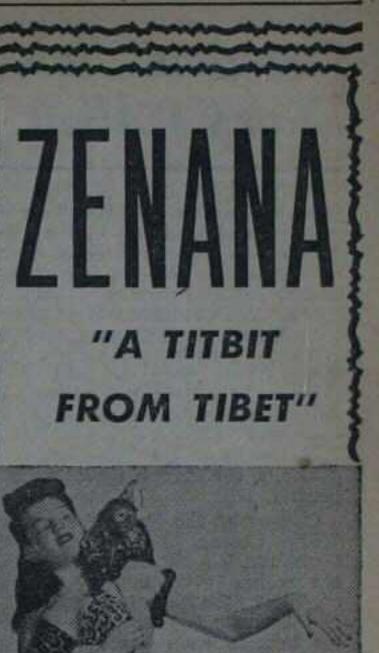
### COLOR LURING

(Continued from page 4) view of the fact that the freeze on applications has already lasted a уеаг.

Recent developments in color television have changed a lot of thinking on the desirability of bidding for an ultra-high-frequency (UHF) station. Since it could take as much as a year or so for completion of a new station once an application is approved, there will be ample time for set manufacturers to get into production on color adapters and receivers before new stations get on the air in wholesale numbers. UHF stations telecasting in color would thereby stand a fairer chance of competing with very-high-frequency (VHF) stations. It is felt, too, that the introduction of color would stimulate set sales to undreamed-of proportions, dramatically expanding the possibilities for TV advertising revenue.



UCILLE AND EDDIE ROBERTS, currently on their third return engagement at the Roosevelt Hotel, New Orleans, close there September 20 and two days later begin a return stand at Hotel Henry Grady, Atlanta. . . Nevin the Magician (Nevin V. Hoefert), after two weeks of club dates in Indianapolis and a swing thru Iowa, opens for National School Assemblies at Kennilworth, Utah, September 7. He holds a three-year contract with the National firm. This season's schedule will take him thru California and Washington. . . . Magicdom was Tour, a visiting Parisian who claimed pleasantly surprised last week with the announcement that Walter B. Gibson, editor of "Jinxiana" section Doubling on vocals between acts, of Conjurors' Magazine, and Mrs. the versatile tenor was in fine voice Litzka Raymond, widow of the Great on three widely divergent numbers, Raymond, were married August 27 a corned-up, pseudo-hillbilly tune, at the home of Edward M. Dart, Hand-Holdin' Music (a plug for his publisher of "Conjurors' Magazine." The wedding was informal and was attended by only a few close friends. lyrical rendition of Younger Than For the present Mr. and Mrs. Gibson plan to make their home in worked into the script, tho, instead New York. . . . Lieut. Lee Allen Estes, Safety First Magician of the The slick commercials followed the Kentucky State Police, and Mrs. Estes made a recent week-end hop from Lexington, Ky., to Colon, find new beauty in 14 days," followed stone. . . . August issue of Gardens, by detailed instructions in the art of Houses and People magazine carries a photo of Milbourne Christopher hocus-pocusing to film star Edward Arnold's amazement at a party at New York's 21 Club. . . . L. O. Gunn typewrites from Hattiesburg, Miss.: "Just returned to Mississippi from the West Coast, where I spent two months moving all my surplus magic to a new storage place after attending the Hollywood convention. En route here, I stopped off in Phoenix, Ariz., for a visit to Bert Easley's magic shop. Also visited Peggy Austini (now Mrs. Roberts) at Mesa, Ariz. She is out of magic now and hasn't performed since her marriage. In San Antonio, I visited Doc Mahendra and Anne, and at El Paso had breakfast with David Michel and family. Dave is working schools in the El Paso district and practically has everything to himself, which is unlike California, where magicians are a dime a dozen." . . . Prince Marko, during his recent engagement at a Decatur, Ill., amusement park, thrilled and baffled the onlookers by making a man's watch and billfold disappear with a few simple movements and magic words. As a matter of fact, the audience went away amazed. Marko, too, was amazed, when a few minutes later he returned to his dressing room and found that someone had caused his poke, containing \$40, to disappear from his street clothes, with only one movement and no magic words.



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RILL BAIRD and Florine are presenting their magical nifites in the major vaude houses. They were at the Fox Theater, St. Louis, last week.... Doris and Raymond Corbin (Ray-Mond the Magician) are celebrating the arrival of new son, David Blackstone, born August 9 at Westminster, Md. . . . Pat W. Paxton, after 14 weeks on the Grand Union Shows with his bingo game, has left the carnival to handle the advance for Wormald the Magician, whom he has booked on school and theater dates thru Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska and Colorado. Show roster includes Wormald, Marian Paxton, Janet Cross, Elaine Hill, George Grey, Jack Drew and Al Kilpatrick. . . . Jean Foley postals from Seattle that he has doubled the space of his magic show opposite the Palomar Theater there, and tips us off to a youngster, Ernie Bryan, who Jean says is proving a sensation in those parts, playing as many as five club dates a day. .... Larry Weeks, juggler well known in the magic field, was called home to Brooklyn last week from the Dude Ranch, Atlantic City, where he was in his ninth week, due to the serious illness of his father.

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## London "Salesman" Scores, Tho Story's Alien, Theme Hits Home

gence of English and American taste, be chalked up against Paul Muni's training and tradition in the accept- interpretation of the title role. His ance of dramatic fare causes annual is a much more frustrated Willie than headaches to to-and-fro manage- his American counterpart, and his ments. , It is almost axiomatic that stammering approach to nearly every the best from London's West End bids speech goes a long way toward slowfor a Broadway flattening-and viceversa. At rare intervals a play comes along which rings the bell on both sides of the Atlantic. Death of a Salesman has done it, altho from the viewpoint of a reporter who has seen both the Stem and the London productions, the British reception is surprising.

Obviously, the tragic frustration of Willie Loman, the aging, Brooklyn drummer, is a slice out of the American scene. Audiences weep nightly on West 45th Street in pity of him and because they find something of his lack in each one of themselves. In London audiences don't weep at all. The problems of Willie and his family are completely foreign to their experience, and they appear to be accepted as possible rather than probable-primarily as a good story, well told, plus a theatrical tour de force.

### British Reaction

However, to a reporter's astonishment, the final curtain signals a sustained ovation. Evidently, Willie Loman is not just an American salesman. but a universal portrait of insecurity. In spite of the promises of socialism, the British man-in-the-street feels similarly insecure, and while Willie may be a foreign product, he likely signposts a trepidation with which each views a teetering future. So Willie, in spite of a more stoical reception, bites home, via a common denominator which is thematic rather than characteristic.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The diver- have been added. Partial blame may ing down the proceedings,

#### Muni Vs. Cobb

This doesn't mean that Muni doesn't give a fine over-all performance. He does. But Lee Cobb gives a finer one here. The difference is that Muni endows the character with the complexities of one of his Hollywood heroes, while Cobb plays him with complete simplicity. It is theatrical effectiveness versus a complete selfabsorption in a role.

Otherwise, the casts of both productions compare favorably. Mildred Dunnock and Arthur Kennedy are superior to their British counterparts. Frank Maxwell impresses better as the younger brother than his New York prototype, The rest of the support is equally good on both sides of the Atlantic. Dennis Gurney.

### Krimsky & Shuberts Import Eng.Comedy?

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- John Krimsky, who has not been active in stem production since 1938, apparently has teamed with Lee Shubert to import W. Douglas-Home's The Chiltern Hundreds. London reports have contracts in process to briny it here with A. E. Matthews and George Curzon, both of whom have been appearing in the West End version of the comedy. A late September unveiling is purportedly contemplated.

which Lee Shubert didn't want to identify in his announcement of foreign importations on his recent return from Europe.

### Australia Sets Up 200G Guarantee For Importations

The Billboard

SYDNEY, Sept. 3 .- The Prime Minister of Australia, Ben Chiffley, has announced that his government has agreed with the various state governments to create a reserve fund of \$200,000 to finance importation of high-class overseas theatrical productions, paving the way to a national theater. The fund would be used as a guarantee against management loss.

The decision has been received with mixed feelings, altho it naturally has general public support. For instance, the president of the New South Wales Branch of the Arts Council feels that the money could be much better spent in encouraging purely Australian theatrical ventures.

The importation of overseas shows is also contrary to the policy of Actors' Equity, which limits the number of imported artists who can appear in a production to a very small percentage of the cast. This strictly enforced rule also restricts the number and variety of productions which can be brought out and has a detrimental effect on the final quality of production.

## New Exp. Group **To Do Originals**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - Latest addition to the off-Broadway crop of experimental groups is Originals Only, organized by Thomas A. Hill. The new group differs in slant from its local compatriots in that it is dedicated solely to the production of brand new, untried material, both dramatic and musical, showcasings suitable for radio and This is likely one of the two plays television as well as stage. The group, which is composed of non-Equity players, will lead off with a production of Dream House, a threeacter by Supervising Director Hill, at a house and date to be announced. Further plans call for a musical, Surprise Package. Currently the organization has several spots open in the casting of Dream House and is starting auditions of singers and dancers for Surprise Package this week.

September 10, 1949



### MADWOMAN OF CHAILLOT

(Reopened Monday, August 22)

#### ROYALE THEATER

A faniasy by Jean Giraudoux. Staged by Al-fred de Llagre Jr. Sets and costumes by Christian Berard. General manager, Bam-uel Schwartz. Stage manager, Henri Cau-bisens. Press representative, Bernard Simon. Presented by Alfred de Llagre Jr.

The Malter Han. Harold Grau The President Louis Soria The Haron. Le Roi Operti Therene. Patricia Courtley The Street Singer. Eugene Cibelli The Shoe Lace Feddler ..... Maurice Brenner The Broker ..... Pay Root 

Plerre ..... Alan Bhayne The Sewer Man ........................Jacques Aubuchon Mme. Constance, the Madwoman of Passy Estelle Winwood Mile, Gabrielle, the Madwoman of SI. Contorde ..... Doris Rit The Presidents..... Louis Sorin, Pay Roope, Le Rol Oper ...... The Prospectors ..................Jonathan Harris, Paul Byron Maurice Brenner 

Madwoman is back after a twomonth summer | lay-off. She has switched her headquarters from the Belasco to the Royale Theater. Since she is ticking off her 224th performance as of the end of this week, it is about time for this reporter to eat a bit of crow. He tabbed the Jenn Giralidoux fable as of last December's opening night as sluggish, philosophical whimsy, with a distinctly limited appeal. Perhaps a reporter should have gone back to see and hear it again before this. At all events, he must admit that there is more to the Madwoman of Chaillot and her bizarre companions than met his eye and ear at their original unveiling. The first act, while still sticky with reachings to flights of philosophical hokum, has gained clarity via pace and smoothness. The second stanza highlights even more effectively the crazy Alicein-Wonderland trial of the moneygrubbers by the four hilariously mad beldames-the highspot of the Giraudoux nonsense for this pewsitter. Likewise he must admit that there is no question of Madwoman's appeal, since a packed house was loving if all madly the other night. The cast, fresh from eight-week vacation, are giving bright and fine performances, altho bright contributions were the original rule. Martita Hunt, whose portrait of the title role won her last season's Donaldson Award as the year's best dramatic actress, is more than justifying her selection. Still crowding her for honors in one delightfully amusing scene are Estelle Winwood, Nydia Westman and Doris Rich as the wacky trio who share her gentle dementia, Jonathan Harris, Louis Sorih and Le Roi Operti are the amusing connivers who share their displeasure, and Fay Roope adds a sharp bit as the villiains' broker stooge. John Carradine is still outstanding as a philosophical rag picker and other good contributions remain from Martin Kosleck and Jacques Aubuchon. Leora Dana is charming as ever as the little restaurant waitress. Somehow the Royale stage does not seem to do the justice to Berard's magnificent sets which they received at the Belasco, but they are still intriguingly eye-filling. There is no question that on second seeing, Madwoman adds up to quite a play. Sometimes it's refreshing to eat crow.

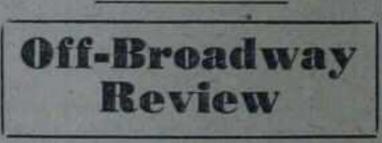
It may be that Elia Kazan has slowed down the tempo of Salesman's staging for British consumption. At all events, the West End edition paces leisurely to the point of repetition. This is not imagination, since the performance caught by this reporter ran a full 30 minutes longer than the New York version, and there was a distinct impression that repetitious details

BROADWAY BillSoard TRADE SHOWLOG SERVICE PEATURE Performances Thru September 3, 1949 DRAMAS Opened Perfs A Street Car Named 703 (Barrymore) Anne of the Thousand Days 12- 8, '48 246 (Shuhert) Born Yesterday, ..... 2-24, '46 1,506 (Henry Miller) Death of a Salesman ..... 2-10, '49 236 (Morosco) Detective Story..... 3-22, '49 188 (Budsan) Goodbye, My Fancy ..... 11-17, '48 333 (Fulton) Minter Roberts ...... 2-13, '48 603 (Alvin) The Madwoman of Chaillot (Belasco) .... 12- 8, '48 224 MUSICALS A Night in Spain. ..... 7- 7, '49 48 (Cabalgata) (Broadway) Kiss Me, Kate ..... 12-30, '48 282 (Centur-) 200 (Broadhurst) 50 (Imperial) South Pacific. ..... 4- 7, '49 172 (Majestic) Where's Charley? ..... 10-11, '48 376 (St. James) ICE SHOWS Howdy, Mr. Ice of 1950. 5-26, '49 123 (Center) REOPENING 25

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COMING UP

The Week of Sept. 5, 1949) Ken Murray's Blackouts, B- 6, '49 (Ziegfeld)



### THD FATHER (Reviewed Saturday, August 27) PROVINCETOWN PLAYHOUSE

A drama by August Strindberg. Staged by John Stix. Set by Eldon Elder. Costumes by Robert Cowan. Stage manager, Clint Atkinson, Press, Art Eranish, Presented by Studio 7.

Laura ......Anne Shropshire Bertha Studio 7 has outdone itself with a masterful presentation of the August ded to reopen at the Broadway Mon-Strindberg classic, The Father, which day (12). has already been announced for Broadway presentation this season. The production, while not professional in all elements, does ample justice to an intriguing play.

implications, was written over 60 critic's chair. Gabriel, who formerly years ago, but it retains a freshness held similar slots with The New York and depth that few of the current American, New York Sun and more plays have. It tells of the eternal recently Theater Arts, takes over his battle between the sexes, this time aisle-expert's duties immediately between a husband and wife. The after Labor Day. precipitating incident occurs when the husband attempts to take over the education of their child over his wife's determined protests.

From then on it becomes a battle that leads to lunacy for the husband. The wife drives him insane by telling Brigadoon (Grand) Calgary, Alta, Can. him she is unfaithful and eggs him on to commit an act that lands him in a straitjacket. The writing is sharp.

transition to madness is much too streetcar Named Desire (Geary) San Fran (See THE FATHER on opp. page)

### "Cabalgata" To Shutter

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Despite predictions that Cabalgata, the Spanish revue recently retitled A Night in Spain, would tenant the Broadway Theater thru October 1, it was announced yesterday (2) that it would shutter as of Saturday (10), with a 76-performance mark-up. It is rumored that the Shuberts may send it on a hinterland trek under their Sarah Wilder own banner. Mike Todd's office states that As the Girls Go is sked-

### Gabriel Chalks "Cue"

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Cue mag has announced the appointment of The Father, rife with psychological Gilbert W. Gabriel to its drama

> ROUTES **Bramatic and Musical**

Death of a Salesman (Cass) Detroit. Finian's Rainbow (Nixon) Pittsburgh. High Button Shoes (Philharmonic Auditorium) Los Angeles. There are a few things in the script that need clarification. The Father is much too observant while he is supposed to be lunatic, and his transition to madman de lunatic, and his tins Me, Kate (Curran) San Prancisco.

Bob Francis.

### TEXAS, LI'L DARLIN'

(Opened Monday, August 29) ESTPORT COUNTRY THEATER. WESTPORT, N. Y.

musical by John Whedon and Sam Moore. dusic by Robert Emmett Dolan. Lyrics by Johnny Mercer, Staged by Paul Crabtree. Choregraphy by Emy St. Just. Settings by Edward T. Cooper. Stage managers, Phillip Barry and Richard Hepburn. Press representative, Ralph Lycett. Presented by the Westport Country Theater.

In .....Jared Reed arvey Penwick Small...... Harry Bannister annett Emmett he Three Coyotes:.....

he Texas Rhythm Boys

EXANS: Bill Horan, Joel McConkey

Sarah Bonne ......Diane Lamont Meilana Prescott ......Jean Lamont Skin Cooper .....John Ward Sarah Pedley .....Betty Tyson Card Benton ......Gene Shewmaker CRETARIES: Florence Latour ...... Elyse Weber

Christine Venable .....Jackie James Margaret Watkins ... George Ann Crabtree Elizabeth Gibbs ..... Mary Anne Mattson Jill Angele ..... Anne Chisholm Radio scripters John Whedon and Sam Moore have taken time out to concoct a book musical. Robert Emmett Dolan has taken time out from pic assignments to compose a score. Lyricist Johnny Mercer has taken time out from top-selling pops to

make words for the tunes. The result 's Texas, Li'l Darlin' which gets a week's showcasing at the Westport (N. Y.) Country Playhouse. Darlin' is on the Theater Guild's agenda for Stem production this season. As of its barn unveiling, it is far from ready for the big time.

silo production, the Whedon-Moore often makes up for their lack in abilbook-as is-is a sadly pedestrian ity. They bounce on stage, do their affair. Its plot, focusing on a heart interest between the peppery daughter of a benignly crooked, small town politico and his dumb returnedwar-hero opponent, dawdles to an obvious conclusion. Such comic relief as there is stems from the introduction of a stuff-shirted mag tycoon rom New York and his cohort of ves boys.

## **OUT-OF-TOWN OPENINGS**

The Billboard

THE KIDS BREAK THRU (Opened Sunday, August 28) EL CAPITAN, HOLLYWOOD

Singe revue presented by Horace Heidt, fea-turing Horace Heidt and orchestra, Ralph Sigwald, Pierce Knox, the Pepperettes, Wayne and Gilbert Shepard, Halyard Patterson, Ernie Camerota, Vahan Khorigian, Tommy Check, Jeanne Harvey, Jeannine Meister, Sonny Berry, Harold Peck, Russ Budd and Eddie Kreig.

For the first time in more than seven years, the El Capitan-home of Ken Murray's record-breaking Blackouts-houses a new show. It's Horace Heidt's Kids, a stage version of his Philip Morris radio talent hunt. As replicas go, this one is an accurate facsimile. It comes complete with spoon virtuosi, bird imitators and Swiss bell-ringers. Furthermore, it remains true to its radio original by winding up with a moving appeal on behalf of Philip Morris, touchingly delivered by Heidt, immediately followed by the ciggie maker's Johnny (in uniform), to chant his commercial.

in radio, but ticket buyers who pay as high as \$2.60 to see a show are sure to resent a sales talk. A courtesy plug for the sponsor could be swallowed, provided it were handled with taste, but an audience is sure to balk when it comes to a long dissertation on the generosity "of this company which makes these fine opportunities available to these talented youngsters." Heidt tends to overplay this, as well as his own part in giving these kids their chance, even tho his efforts with the youngsters are commendable.

Blessed with the Heidt Midas touch, money-making prospects of this show are assured. People eat up a Cinderella story, and Heidt bears down heavily on that angle. Show's saving factor is the verve and vitality Even granting the limitations of a of the kids whose very eagerness

### CLUTTERBUCK Opened Monday, August 291 ELITCH GARDENS, DENVER

comedy by Benn W. Levy, Staged by Norris Houghton, Settings by Alvin Colt. Press representative, Marshall Robertson. Prensented by Irving Jacobs.

Deborah Pomfret ......Ruth Ford Melissa Clutterbuck ......Claire Carleton

The American preem of Benn W. Levey's London hit, Clutterbuck, gives Elitch Gardens customers an uproarious finale to the summer season. A sellout for the week's engagement should send the cast off to its New York rehearsals with high hopes for a solid hit. The local preview of the play for which Producer Irving Jacobs plans a Stem unveiling this summer theater its best b -o. week in its 58-year history.

With Clutterbuck, author Levy comes up with a completely mad -three couples worth of them. It seems that Mr. Pugh loves Mrs. Pugh, Mr. Pomfret loves Mrs. Pomfret and Mr. and Mrs. Cluttterbuck are in the same groove, with the ladies feeling vice versa. However, when the past starts raising an ugly head, the stage is set for a spicy counterpoint battle of the sexes. It develops that the elusive Mr. Clutterbuck has provided resentment. a romantic interlude for Mesdames Mrs. Clutterbuck numbers Messrs. Pomfret and Pugh in glowing chapters of her past. Toss these six chareach with a nostalgic gleam in a respective eye, plus a full quota of lippy double entendre, and the setup bids for enough laughter for any audience.

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### THE SEA LAMP

(Opened Wednesday, August 17)

### YELLOW SPRINGS OPERA HOUSE, YELLOW SPRINGS, O.

A drama by Constance Sontag and Kathryn Becker, Directed by David W. Hooks, Settings by James Trittipo, Presented by the Yellow Springs Area Theater.

Francis Crandall......George Shumiln Nathan Prescott.....James Trittipo Wiley Prescott......Prank Macdonald Richard Crothers ...... Irving M. Brown 

The Sea Lamp, a new three-act drama by Constance Sontag and Kathryn Becker, is the Yellow Springs Area Theater's showcase contribution for the local summer season. The play, localed on an island off the coast of Maine, approaches classic tragedy proportions before its saga of smothering mother-love has run its course.

Lamp's theme concerns the self-inseason, has given America's oldest flicted exile of a widow and her two sons, both sufferers from hemophilia, and the mother's fanatically selfish attempts to keep them from contact with the outside world. One lad has Commercials have become accepted merry-go-round of loves and lovers musical aspirations, the other a yen for painting.

#### In-Law Complications

Into this island paradise arrive the mother's brother and his step-daughter, and ensuing complications boil up via the widow's reactions to the invasion of her self-dominated world. She becomes downright vicious in her

An affair with a housemaid results Pomfret and Pugh in Venice and that in the girl being sent packing to the mainland and the suicide of the younger boy. The interest of the elder in his uncle's step-daughter calls acters together on a pleasure cruise, forth a parental demand that the guests leave the island, as well as the dismissal of a sympathetic tutor, who seems to have been enjoying some share in the widow's sex life.

#### Like O'Neill

#### Dittics Differ

Currently, the above serves as a ramework on which to hang an odd dozen song cues, which lead to refults ranging from excellent to runof-the-mill, Several of them, such as Month of Sundays, Big Movie Show in the Sky and Ride 'Em, Cowboy. are right pleasant on the ear, and a couple of specialties like Take a Crank Letter and Affable Balding Me boast amusing lyrics. But dancing is at an absolute minimum and, what there is, signposts none of the imagination necessary for Broadway competition. It is all pleasant, gay and cute enough for barn consumption, but it will take a deal of doctoring to make it remotely practical Stem-wise.

It seems to this reporter that the production misses the boat in making use of the talents of two of its featured players, Kenny Delmar and Elaine Stritch are held strictly to the book as the politico and his offspring. They do well enough by it, but there are ample opportunities for both to inject specialties of their own which in no way would weaken the context and which would give the proceeding a decided lift. Danny Scholl does excellently by the vocals as the dumb hero and should be a fine lead bet, if the show makes the Broadway grade, Harry Bannister is amusingly pompous as the more-or-less stock representative of big business, and Fred Wayne is fine as an escapist from New Haven tradition.

given Darlin' a solid showcasing. The Brustein and Charlet Oberley in lesser cast is well-drilled, and the gals are roles. pretty. Edward Cooper's simple backgrounds are effectively adapted to a small stage. But to date, it all sums up as strictly barn theater frolic. Bob Francis.

bit and make way for the next act.

Noteworthy Heidt "discoveries" include Vahan Khorigian, a rubberfaced lad with considerable promise in the comedy field. During a takeoff on Frankie Laine, he sporadically erupts with snorts and wheezes accompanied with facial contortions that pay off in healthy laughs. Pierce Knox, blind xylophonist, impresses with his flawless technique; Halyard Patterson draws applause for his Bach-to-boogie keyboard knuckling and, as if that isn't sufficient, cuts up by dancing and playing the piano from reclining positions; Ralph Sigwald, a portly lad with promising bary pipes, is well received, but could use training, and Russ Budd's trim tap routines prove hand-getters.

Corn is injected with a generous hand by Heidt, who pulls applause by including his wife in the company and introducing her as the grandest girl in the world; cracking mildewed gags; using the sympathy routine to milk hands and similar applause-getting devices, Heidt's band remains onstage thruout and capably Lee Zhito. supports the acts.

### THE FATHER

(Continued from opposite page) quick and without theatrical reason. Strindberg also practically lifts Shylock's speech in The Merchant of Venice, Act III, Scene 1, bodily.

Anne Shropshire's pertrayal of the wife is something rare to see. Her range, her hate, her tenderness, her stage presence add up to a first-rate performance. She should be able to move uptown without any difficulty. Ward Costello also gives a strong performance as the father. His, however, is an interpretation of brute strength and somewhat too much in one key. The play is also helped by The Westport management has the acting of Ken Moxley, Robert

John Stix's direction is fine, The set of a sitting room in a remote cavalry post is a tribute to the ingenuity of Eldon Elder, the designer, Leon Morse.

#### **Changes** Needed

Unfortunately, only the second act of the current edition can be said to live up to its possibilities, and changes can be expected before a final Stem unveiling. The first act seems far less funny than it could be, and the last stanza needs strengthening to obviate a final let-down. The ratio between small talk and laughs is too high.

Performance-wise, Ruth Matteson's uninhibited matron and Walter Greaza's fathead husband are standouts. The latter gets a full quota of chuckles from Levy's lines. Ruth Ford handles a less witty role with Melissa Clutterbuck gives skill. Claire Carleton a fine opportunity for comedy, and with more rehearsal time to bring the portrait into sharper focus, she should provide some of the play's best scenes. Clutterbuck is likely the most taciturn hero since Harvey thru all three acts. However, Levy has provided him with a curtain speech which permits Peter Hobbs to send the pewsitters out laughing. And he does.

Current plans call for substantially the same cast in the Broadway pro-Jack Gaskie. duction.

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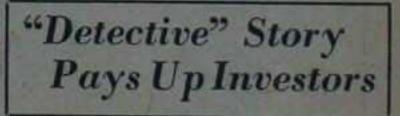
ing which Garry appeared for Quality pix on the Coast. . . . Marie Codori, niece of comic Frank Silk, has been featured all summer at the Steel Pier, Atlantic City, in musicals headed by Bert Lahr and Bobby Barry. . . . Howard Monigomery and Jeanne and Aleene are at the Burbank, Los Angeles, where Manager Ted Coyne has added Tony Fiallos to the cashier's staff. . . . Mei Ling is vacationing at Waikiki Beach, Hawaii, as is Freddie O'Brien, producer. ... George B. Hill has quit the concession department of the Moulin Rouge, Oakland, Calif., to return to comedian activities in Portland, Ore. . Lotus DuBois, former chorine at the house August 26 as featured attraction.

An Eugene O'Neillesque denouement finds her frustrated to the endwith one son dead and her deserted by the other-turning out her sealamp beacon and locking herself in her old house.

The local troupe, while of amateur standing, manages over-all characterizations of professional caliber. Barbara Marsh is excellent in the extremely trying role of the mother. James Trittipo gives a fine account of himself as the son who wants to be a composer. Altho harping too heavily on the silver chord, the play is well written. Walter Anderson has composed a worthy symphonic theme. which is utilized effectively thruout the action. A. S. Kany.

### White Barn Shutters

WESTPORT, Conn., Sept. 3 .- Lucille Lortel's White Barn Club Theater closed its season last Sunday (28) with its sixth production, Still Stands the House, by Gwendolyn Pharris, directed by Kurt Cerf. The cast comprised Anita Dangler, Hal Pollack, Gloria Gould and Dennis Harrison. Miss Lortel announced that Margaret Webster would tie in with her next season for the showing of a Shakespearean festival at the Barn.



NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Detective Story, which rounds out 188 performances tonight, this week paid off its original investment in full. The final balance of 25 per cent was mailed out to the backers Wednesday (31).

No returns from the sale of pic rights have been included in the payoff, and angels will continue to the Roxy, Cleveland, checked into share in juicy profits as the melo is doing capacity business at the Hudson Theater.

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Communications to 2160 Patterson St., Cincinnati 22, O. Drive - In Construction Still Strong in New England Area

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 3 .- There proval of the local zoning commission. continues to be much activity in the outdoor theater construction field Enterprises to erect a drive-in theater thruout New England. Latest drive-in project to open for business is the 300-car capacity Windsor Drive-In, situated on the highway between Windsor and Claremont, Vt., and operated by Rene Garneau, president, Penny Theater Company.

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The Carville interests of Wilson, Conn., a Hartford suburb, have revealed plans for construction of a drive-in theater there. Starting date of construction is dependent upon ap-

### Wash. Firm Plans Vancouver Drive-In

VANCOUVER, Wash., Sept. 3 .-Renfro Investment Company, headed by Cloyde Blackburn here, this week announced plans for the construction of a \$75,000 drive-in theater on a site one block east of the city limits. Al J, Erdman, firm's representative, said that construction work will get under way in about 30 days.

Proposed theater will accommodate 675 cars and will feature all modern developments in open-air theater construction, including individual heaters for each car. Spot, which will have a concession and snack bar, also will be available for civic functions and Easter Sunrise services.

### Landsman-Richter Let Pact For San Antonio Drive-In

SAN ANTONIO, Sept. 3 .- Awarding of a \$97,000 construction contract for a drive-in theater in this city's have been made so far this year by Highland section was announced this high school and Little Theater groups. week by Arthur Landsman and C. A. Richter, of Landsman-Richter Enter- to repsters in the industry's hey day during July and August. He'll hit prises. Construction on the 600-car because of his association with the the road again soon, covering his capacity, 10-acre theater gets under Gordon Howard Candy Company, has last year's territory in Nevada and way next month. When it goes into operation it will be the 11th such liam R. Bland Post, American Legion. has about 30 dates set under ausproject under the Landsman-Richter combo's wing.

Plans of the Lockwood & Gordon at Bristol, Conn., have been delayed temporarily, with the Bristol Zoning Commission postponing indefinitely a hearing on the firm's application for authority to construct an outdoor theater there.

Last-minute construction details on the firm's 600-car capacity Danbury, Conn., drive-in caused postponement of the spot's scheduled bow from August 27 to September 2.

The Twin City Drive-In Theater, on the highway between Montpelier and Barre, Vt., formerly operated by John Brown, has been taken over by Richard Cody, who operates the Strand Theater, Montpelier, Vt.

### Kaycee Gleanings By E. L. Paul-

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 3. -Arthur Hockwald, widely known in tent show circles, and currently contracting agent for Clyde Beatty Circus, was a recent visitor. . . . Don Harvey, of Council Grove, Kan., who makes his home here and who played heavies with many of the old-time rep and tent shows, had a role in the pic, The Adventures of Sir Galahad. which is to be released soon. Don's last local stage appearance was at the Music Hall in 1947 with Mae West's production of her play, Come On Up.

Mabel Page and Freda Slemmons, old-time repsters, had important roles erating a 16mm. pic outfit in the Rain Broadway shows last season. . . Samuel French says that more than months to good business. Hodges 25,000 productions of standard dramas . . . Howard R. Brandt, well known City, Nev., that he vacationed there been elected commander of the Wil- Utah. His two-person unit already Amos Pilots Danbury Spot ... Monley J. Streeter, character actor pices. of note, was a recent visitor in the Landsman currently is touring the city. He's making his home in San stock manager O. D. Woodward, is in Southwestern Utah and will use the real estate business here.

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### Rep Ripples

WILLIAM W. MORGAN, who has been showing 16mm, pix in the Elkhart, Ind., sector, reports that he has added much new film and will widen his territory this winter. . . Jerry Young writes from Galveston, Tex., that he closed his pic show for the summer but that he'll get going again in the middle of September after adding several vaude performers. Young also plans to enter the religious pix field. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Willard Hunt, who have been working sponsor and varied other dates for several years, will take up their winter season after a summer spent at Asbury Park, N. J. They have a new two-cast dramatic piece and will open near Pittsburgh and play thru several States before their string runs out. Hune is a former chautauqua lecturer. . . . Audrey Kline has 16mm, pix in Middlesex County, Massachusetts, and will add to her film library for the winter. . Cornell's Platform Show took to halls in the Moscow, Idaho, area September 1. Show is getting together a museum layout and also will play school dates. . . . Lorian Players, four-person unit, which has been playing resort towns in Northern Vermont, will move into Canada in the fall, with 16mm. pix added. . . . Gitt's Players, after a lay-off because of illness of one of the family members, will get back into action in Western Kansas soon and move Northwest to their ultimate territory in Washington and Oregon. . . . Carl Egald will have 16mm. pix in the New Haven, Conn., area this season. ... R. M. (Roy) Hodges has been opton, N. M., area for the past two plans to book a feature film for a tour of New Mexico this winter. . . Fred Holland writes from Carson

### **Romanos** Petition For Warwick Spo

WARWICK, R. I., Sept. 3 .- T city zoning board of review is stud ing a petition from County Amuments, Inc., which would permit th firm to effect a new 600-car drive theater, an outdoor swim pool co vertible to an ice skating rink winter, bathhouses, and basketb and volley ball courts on the form 60-acre Cole Farm, bought by corporation last month.

Corporation is headed by Salvate Romano, with Louis Romano as trea urer. Both are identified with Bay State Drive-In, Seekonk, Mar on the opposite side of Narragans Bay from the proposed Warwick pr ject.

Drive-Ins have been springing fast in this area in the last two year Cranston, North Attleboro and Se konk all presently offering compet tion to the original one built on the Providence-Pawtucket boundary, T Warwick venture, if it goes thru, w be the first in the area to go aft daytime revenue.

### Auto Theater Corp. Gets Permit After Year's Wa

NATICK, Mass., Sept. 3 .- Bear of Selectmen here by a 2 to 1 vol granted a license to the Natick Aut Theater Corporation for an open a theater off the Worcester turnpik near Speen Street in West Natio Approval of the building board still required, however. Theater pro posal has been a subject of control versy for more than a year.

Last year an attempt to rezone an other area for business purposes ! permit an open air theater was de feated. Norman Farley is presiden of the corporation seeking to build Richard Bennett, building inspector said he would issue no permit to

country studying the operation, man- Antonio. Frank Woodward, son of agement and construction of drive-in theaters.

have a show-dance trick in Kerr, Utah, as his base of operations. . . Allen Vallery advises from Brockport, Ont., that he has been out on a few fair dates and celebrations and will get going on his established Canadian territory about the middle of September. He plans to use a four-person trick this year and play three-day stands, with a change of bill nightly. Vallery will use some short-cast bills and do some vaude, . . , J. D. (Jack) Mills left Avon, Wyo., recently to take up his winter show outfit which has been stored at Madden, Wyo. Mills and wife will present a vaude-pic dance bill program and cover a wide territory to get in their winter season. Unit will play schools and halls,

### **Cherry Hill Spot Debuts**

SPARTANBURG, S. C., Sept. 3 .-Cherry Hill Drive-In Theater, four miles out on Highway 29, held its formal opening August 25. New theater accommodates 320 cars. Three separate paved entrances are available to the theater leading off Highway 29.

### New Wash. Drive-In Debuts

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3. - The newest drive-in in the District of Columbia area opened August 22 on Leesburg Pike, two miles west of nearby Alexandria, Va. Tabbed the New Sunset Drive-In Theater, admissions are fixed at \$1 per car regardless of the number of passengers-

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 3 .- Euene Boragine, owner-manager of the aco Drive-In Theater, Scarborough, Me., has announced plans to increase car capacity to 500 vehicles.

construction until approval of the building board of appeals.

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 3. -Douglas Amos, Hartford division CEORGE (RIDER) CAREY will manager for Lockwood and Gordon theaters, has announced the promotion of William Moore, assistant manager at the organization's Portland Drive-In, Scarboro, Me., to the managership of firm's 600-car capacity drive-in at Danbury, Conn.

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## THE FINAL CURTAIN

BARRETT - Mrs. Cecilia (Mom), oured with Tompkin's Wild West at Norfolk of a heart attack. Surhow, the Hagenbeck-Wallace and the vived by his widow, Gertrude. Inells-Floto circuses. They also worked terment in Detroit. ne Francis Ferari, Mighty Doris and be Bernardi Greater shows. They etired from the road in 1923 and bean building model circuses which vere given displays in department tores and various shops, garnering ational publicity. Her husband, John W. (Pop); two brothers, a son and our sisters survive.

BIRCHFIELD-Herb, 52, concessionaire for 30 years, August 26 in Fontanet, Ind., of a heart attack. Survived by his widow, Gladys; two prothers, Walter and Clifford, and lour sisters.

CHESNEY - Arthur, 67, British character actor and brother of Edmund Gwenn, August 27 in London. Making his debut in 1903, he later appeared in the U.S. in A Little Bit. of Fluff and Caroline. A long list of plays and pictures mark his career. His last appearance in London was in The Years Between.

DE VARGAS-Luis, 58, legit producer and director, playwright and theater manager, August 18 in Madrid. His writings include Santo con Gracia.

FAX-Jimmy, 97, one of Canada's best known comic singers, August 28 in Toronto. He toured the principal circuits of the U.S. and made four trans-Canada tours. He last appeared in Toronto last year.

FREDERICK-Walter, 53, former member of the Frederick family of novelty jugglers and wire walkers, recently in Harborview Hospital. Seattle, of a heart attack. He retired from show business five years ago and had been operating a chain of restaurants in Seattle. Survived by in Lady Butterfly, Lollipop, The Inhis widow, Ann, and two brothers, Harold and Arthur, all of Seattle. GORDON-George, 60, member of the Metopera chorus, August 27 in Coney Island, N. Y. He was stricken with a heart ailment while on tour with the company last May, He was at one time star of the Boston-Manhattan Opera Company and sang leads with the Chicago and Metopera companies. Among his many concerts was a tour with Anna Pavlova. Gordon also performed at the opening of the Roxy Theater, New York. His widow and two sons survive. GRAHAM-F. D. J., president of the St. Stephen (N. B.) Exhibition, in that city August 19 of a stroke. (Further details in Fairs Department.) GREIG - Rodger B., 39, former producer with the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, August 27 in in Carnival Department.) Toronto. HANLEY-Mrs. Ethel S., 59, dramatist and marionette show director, August 19 in Bellevue Hospital, Muscatine, Ia. Prior to the formation and directing of two marionette shows, which she toured extensively, she had organized, directed and appeared in play productions on chautaugua and lyceum circuits. Survivors include her husband, C. P. Hanley, Muscatine attorney, and a brother. Crematory services in Muscatine August 22. HENDRICKS-John T., 79, former executive of the Grand Opera House, New Haven, Conn., August 28 in that city. His widow and daughter survive.

HESS - Reed, a director of the 8. former circus trouper, August 17 Michigan State Fair race track at Dea Chester, Pa. She and her husband troit for some 15 years, August 26

> HUNT-Carl Henry (Tiny), 45, violinist, August 26 in Hollywood. The last four years he played on the Fibber McGee and Molly radio show.

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JOHNSON-Don R., 70, for many years Octopus foreman with the Happyland Shows, August 28 in a Caro, Mich., hospital of a stroke. Only known survivor is a sister in Pennsylvania, Burial in Caro August 30.

KINDLER-Dr. Hans, 56, internationally known cellist and conductor, who founded the National Symphony Orchestra, Washington, August 30 in Watch Hill, R. I. He came to this country from Europe in 1914, founded the symphony in 1931 and remained as conductor until his resignation last December. His widow, two sons and a daughter survive.

LONG-Nick Jr., 43, vaude and musical comedy dancer, August 31 in New York of injuries sustained in an auto accident. He made his debut at the age of seven and two years later appeared with Alice Brady in The Things That Count. He also appeared sect Comedy, Suzanne, Kitty's Kisses, Step on the Blues; Oh, Please; She's My Baby, Manhattan Mary, Street Singer, and Say When, Long also made many appearances in films. His latest Broadway show was Louisiana Purchase.

Marriages

BEAUREGARD-CHAPMAN-Robert Beauregard and Charlotte C. Chapman, musician, August 24 in Keene, N. H.

BODINGTON-HALLIDAY --- Maurice Bodington, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation comic, and Irene Halliday August 24 in Toronto.

HEYWOOD-McALISTER-Fred S. Heywood, WNBC's special events and news director, and Hazel Patricia McAlister August 26 in Bolton, S. C.

MYERS-HOPPER - Earl Myers, Columbus, O., sports promoter and former auto race driver, and Lela Hooper, of Mansfield, O., recently in Greenup, Ky.

WHARTON-MASON - John F. Wharton, theatrical attorney, and Mary Mason, legit and radio actress, August 30 in Reno, Nev.



A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Graves recently in Philadelphia. Father is a KYW disk jockey.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Art Pallan recently in Pittsburgh. Father is a WWSW disk jockey.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Owen Jensen August 12 in Suburban Hospital, South Gate, Calif. Mother is the former "Dainty Dotty," circus fat woman; father is an ex-circus tattooer.

Twin boys, Franklin and Frederick, to Mr. and Mrs. George Lorenz recently in Millard Fillmore Hospital. Kenmore, N. Y. Father pilots the Cuckoo Club over WXRA, Kenmore. A son, Adrian, to Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Silverstone August 25 in New York. Father is chief counsel for the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA).

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pa-

A son, Don Willet, to Mr. and Mrs. Will Fussner August 18 in Evansville, Ind. Father is billed as the Great Fussner, spiral ball act.

A son, Daniel Jr., to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Collins September 1 in Long Beach, L. I., N. Y. Father is an advertising solicitor for The Billboard.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Freeman F. Gosden at Hollywood August 30. Father is Amos of Amos 'n' Andy.

## Divorces

Margaret Whiting, singer, from Hubbell Robinson Jr., Columbia Broadcasting System veepee, August 17 in Los Angeles.

Princess Kanza Omar Haddad, dancer, from Jack Haddad at Los Angeles August 22.

Isabel Garland Lord from Mindret N. Lord, screen writer, in Los Angeles August 30.

Josa Magda Preminger from Otto Ludwig Preminger, film producer, in Los Angeles August 25.

### **TWO-UNION BOMB**

(Continued from page 43)

ita tax? Shall it be unemployment for thousands of performers and musicians, or a conference with the hope and desire that justice shall prevail? I suggest you make every effort immediately to arrange a conference."

#### Green Not Reached

Whether Green made any effort to arrange such a conference is not known. His office said Green was out of town. However, when Petrillo issued his latest ruling, August 31, Barto wired him again, "Have not received reply to my letter July 25. Petrillo's despotic directives aimed at AGVA following meeting held by him today will precipitate chaotic situation that can no longer be ignored. In interest of staving off resultant mass unemployment and as per capita tax paying organization, we again ask you what you intend doing about H." Another attempt will be made Tuesday (6) to patch up differences with Petrillo, AGVA officials said. On that day AGVA's executive board will meet, and it is possible that Petrillo will be present. But AGVA people are now in a fighting mood. They have already aproached the Four A's, A son, John Andrew, to Mr. and unofficially, to have that body back it with a fight fund of as much as \$100,000, if Petrillo doesn't rescind his

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MADSEN - Harald, 50, famous Scandinavian clown and movie star, July 13 at Usserod, Denmark, Details in Outdoor Section.

MILLER-Albert (Frenchy), 75, with the Mighty Haag Circus for many years, August 28 in Corydon, Ind.

RAFTERY-James M., 61, owner of the shows bearing his name, August 30 at Rocky Mount, Va., where he had gone to attend funeral services for Percy Sink. (Further details

RATZENBERGER - Mrs. Margaret, mother of William A. Ratzenberger Jr., band leader and owneroperator of the Music Center, Bridgeport, Conn., August 25 in Coral Gables, Fla. Survived by two other sons, Robert and Ray; a brother, Joseph Raski, and a sister, Mrs. Edith Zwecker, all of Bridgeport. Burial in Bridgeport August 29.

REYNOLDS-Arthur Lincoln, circus aerialist, August 28 in Miami, He was a member of the Dacoma Family, with the Ringling circus over 15 years. He retired 15 years ago, His widow, Rose, survives.

ROBSON - William N. Sr., 64, early film exploitation man and father of radio producer William Jr., August 27 in Pittsburgh. He left show business to go into politics. His widow, son and daughter survive.

TAYLOR-Harry M., 56, theatrical agent for 26 years, August 31 in Philadelphia, With his partner, J. S. Smith, he specialized in booking entertainment for large dinners and conventions. His widow survives.

WOODWARD-Edward, father of Earl Woodward, of the skating act, Earl, Jack and Betty, August 26 in Rochester, N. Y. Burial in Rochester August 28.

lumbo August 19 in Lying-In Hospital, Philadelphia, Father is associated with his brother, Frank Palumbo, in the operation of a chain of night clubs in that city.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Gitlin August 16 in New York. Father heads research for the Columbia Broadcasting System.

A daughter, Barbara Lois, to Mr. and Mrs. Mario Pappas August 22 in New York. Parents are ballroom dancers.

Mrs. Jack Andy Markham August 21 in Chicago. Father and grandfather, Andy Markham, are concessionaires rulings. at Riverview Park, Chicago.

Mrs. Ted Martin August 17 in Beth Israel Hospital, Newark, N. J. Father, a singer, formerly recorded for De Luxe Records, sang over WNEW and by cracking down on AGVA he may WMCA, New York, and had toured with the Clyde Lucas and Teddy Powell bands.

August 24 in New York. Father is press director for the National to a question, Petrillo said, "I might Broadcasting Company.

Friedman August 24 in Los Angeles. Father is a songwriter.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Green August 29 in New York. Father is a theatrical press agent.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Howard August 22 in Chicago. Father is an orchestra leader.

A son to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Kramer August 22 in Pittsburgh. Father is manager of the Hollywood Show Bar there.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lauter August 23 in Hollywood. Father is a stage and pic actor.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Saul P. Pryor August 29 in New York. Father is a theatrical attorney.

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. White August 24 in New York. Father heads World Video, Inc.

A son, David Lane, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Berg in Detroit August 27. Father is a theatrical press agent.

Insiders claim that the AFM's latest A daughter, Candace, to Mr. and move has nothing to do with raidings or jurisdictional battles. They say Petrillo is desirous of taking over television, a field now wide open, and get control.

#### AFM Absorption?

In a press conference last week, A son to Mr. and Mrs. Jo Dine Petrillo indicated that absorption of AGVA was a possibility. In reply take them (AGVA) over in order to A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Sam give them to Green (AFL president) to give them to somebody else. The actors want leadership." During another part of the conference, however, he stated he wanted neither actors, nor teamsters, nor other non-musicians.

> Barto said that Petrillo's claim that 'actors are asking to be taken over." stems partially from Fred Dale's (he's Boston rep of the Shelvey AGVA faction) approach to Petrillo to take his faction into AFM.

> So far everything is quiet on all fronts. But it is believed that if Petrillo doesn't retreat, all the member unions of the Four A's will beome involved. This is a fight that member unions of the Four A's cannot duck, is the opinion of insiders.

"If we let him (Petrillo) get away with it in AGVA, next we'll have him moving in on AFRA, Screen Actors Guild (SAG) and Equity. If we have to have a fight, we'll have it now," said Barto.

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HOOSIERS LOOK TO RECORDS

Indiana State's Pay Gate In Heavy Pay-Off; Chance To Bump Record Set in '46

OUTDOOR

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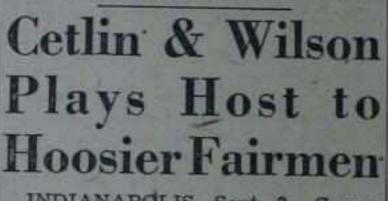
INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 3 .- Shift- paid to see the major night attracing for the first time to a 60-cent tions tonight. paid night from a free night gate, the Indiana State Fair thru today, the third day of its nine-day run, gave evidence it will eclipse the all-time high paid attendance of 628,538 set in 1946.

That year the fair ran eight days, but this year, for the first time, the annual's run was stretched to include a prevue Thursday (1), which increases its run to nine days. The added day, the placing of a paid gate on at night, plus the pulling power demonstrated in the first three days, appeared sufficiently strong to carry the annual to new highs in paid admissions.

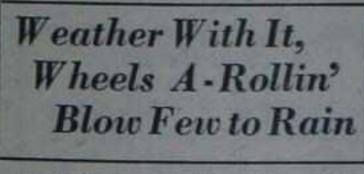
### Potent Attractions

Thursday's prevue yielded a heavy turnout of 21,537. Friday's (2) crowd was reported at 34,560, as compared State Fair here, Owner-Managers to 13,999 for the corresponding day Izzy Cetlin and John W. (Jack) Willast year. Today's turnout was estimated at 65,000, the official count thru 5 p.m. being reported at 53,428. Last year the paid gate for the same day was 43,397.

Midway Ahead of 1948 Cetlin & Wilson Shows, repeating on the midway, picked up a good prevue night's business, registered a Friday take almost even with that of the (See Ind. Pay Gate on page 65)



INDIANAPOLIS, Sept. 3 .- Carrying out a policy established three years ago when the Cetlin & Wilson Shows made their initial appearance as midway attraction at the Indiana Dwindling Biz Holds son played host to the Hoosier State's Ithaca Gate to 18.000 Gov. Henry F. Schricker and Mrs. Schricker and nearly 150 members of the fair board and their friends at a highly successful preview dinner in the Raynell Show Girls' tent Wednesday night (31). Fair opened Thursday (1) and ends Friday (9). Despite a heavy rain which hit the grounds shortly after a tour of the midway had been accomplished by the shows' guests, enthusiasm and jovi- ning 15 per cent ahead of the averalty ran high as the C&W greeters, age of past years, but it tapered off (See Cetlin & Wilson on page 55)



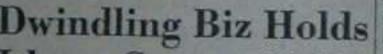
CHICAGO, Sept. 3. - Wheels A-Rollin', featured spec at the Chicago Railroad Fair, is running up something of a record for good weather breaks.

Thru Wednesday (31), the 68th day of the fair's run, the four-a-day pageant had only one rain-out. That one was chalked up Saturday (27) at the scheduled.9 p.m. performance.

And thru Wednesday (31) the management was called upon only three times to issue rain checks when rain halted performances before they had run sufficiently long.

The spec continues to show its strong pull, and by Wednesday (31) in 268 performances it had played to 972,729 persons, thus luring more than one of every two fairgoers.

Attendance at the fair for the sevenday period ending Wednesday (31) held strong, despite rain that night and Saturday night (27). The count for the seven-day period was 208,953. bringing the total for the first 68 days up to 1,854,335.



## **Ohio State Fair** Pulls 362,124 To Outdraw '48

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 3. - Ohio State Fair closed its seven-day run here Friday night (2) with a total gate of 362,124, up sharply from last year's strong crunt of 320,145. Gate receipts, however, were lower, as the fair, directed for the first time by Howard S. Foust, admitted kids under 12 for free, whereas last year they went in at 25 cents per.

A day-by-day attendance comparison follows:

	1949	1948
Sat. (27)	35,370	26,808
Sun. (28)	75,429	53,238
Mon. (29)	40,139	33,486
Tues. (30)	57,326	54,738
Wed. (31)	70,403	73,195
Thurs. (1)	66,449	62,355
Fri. (2)	17,008	16,225
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Total

Grandstand patronage was up, and the horse show, presented seven nights and three afternoons in the Coliseum, also pulled stronger than last year. Jimmie Lynch's Death Dodgers was the opening afternoon attraction and played to a good grandstand. Sunday's scheduled All-

362,124 320,145

The total for the first three days not only surpassed the '48 total, as the annual awaited its big Sunday, but also was far ahead of the corresponding point of its peak '48 year.

Potent Coliseum and grandstand attractions combined to lure recordbreaking crowds during the first three days. Spike Jones and His Musical Depreciation aggregation was presented three nights, beginning with the opener, which saw a light house, built Friday (2) to a near-capacity Coliseum and Saturday night played to a sellout in the 11,000-capacity building. The Jones unit is due to close its four-performance engagement tomorrow with a matinee.

While Jones held forth in the Coliseum, Irish Horan's Hell Drivers racked up a good grandstand Friday (1) night and tonight played to a capacity stand. With both the Jones and the Horan aggregation playing to capacity, a total of about 23,000

### **Jones Beach Skeds** Stadium Work

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .-- Construction will get under way soon on a permanent marine stadium at Jones Beach State Park to replace the temporary wooden structure which was demolished several years ago because of its unsafe condition.

New stadium, to be built along the shore of Zach's Bay, will have a seating capacity of 9,000 and will have a huge revolving stage, modern lighting equipment and sound systems, for 'he presentation of aquatic and stage spectacles on an elaborate scale.

A \$738,500 contract for the building work has been awarded Lenhart Co...structors, New York, while Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, New York, have been designated supervising architects.

ITHACA, N. Y., Sept. 3 .- Clifford Bruce, president, and Merrill F. Curry, secretary of the fair association, expressed satisfaction with the results of the Tompkins County Fair, which closed its six-day run here Saturday (27), with attendance estimated at 18,000.

At mid-week, attendance was runslightly in the second half.

American Newspaper Boys' Bicycle competition was called off due to showers the following afternoon. Harnes horse races were held Monday thru closing day.

WLW's Midwestern Hayride was the first night grandstand attraction, and it racked up a good grandstand. Billed as the Ohio State Revue, an attraction booked in by Klein's Attractions, followed in front of the grandstand for the remainder of the run and played to consistently good crowds.

Revue offered a 16-gal line, plus the Bounding O'Neils, four-people (See Ohio State Fair on page 65)

## 0 & J Jam CNE Grandstand, Head for Record 400G Gross

(Continued from page 3) strated that they haven't a lazy bone in their bodies, and if there be criticism of their antics it can only take the form of personal likes and dislikes. The buffoons ransacked all of their many bags of tricks, albeit coming up with nothing new. Their entrance this year, involving numerous cases of mistaken identity, understandably fell short of last year's descent to the stage by helicopter. The helicopter was used in a later scene and again provided the most spectacular bit of business. The generally robust offering of the come- who was also given a solo spot in the dians this year was laundered to offset year-old criticisms which appar- Moran, Nina Virella, the Berry ently had no effect on the box office Brothers, the Dunhills, Helen Magna, since the record advance sale necessitated the use of newspaper ads be- Maurice Millard, Frank Harty and ginning with opening day to inform Bobbie May. the public that advance sales had to be discontinued. Remaining seats, consisting solely of lower priced end pews, are placed on sale prior to Johnson and the aforementioned use each performance.

A spectacular grand entry with a minstrel show flavor, utilizing several prop railroad engines and the chorus on bicycles, came around the turn and into the straightaway to open the show. Olsen and Johnson made their appearance on a special

#### train of floats.

The comedians in their familiar drugstore skit were followed by the production number Piaza Del Flores, featuring the 48-girl line and principals Gloria Gilbert, Ernest Adams and Wallace Siebert. The Golden West, patterned after an old-time melodrama and begging for audience participation, failed to click.

#### Plenty of Laughs

Following the Bolero presentation Olsen and Johnson inundated the audience with belly laughs, aided by their usual cohorts, Marty May, show; J. C. Olsen, Jack Joyce, Pat Russ Sobey, Six Atomes, Billy Kay,

The finale, Maple Leaf Tour, a salute to the provinces, is principally noted for the settings of Albert of a helicopter which, incidentally, is handled much more dexterously than when it was first tried a year ago. The magnitude of the entire production, together with sparkling costumes by Billy Livingston, the Johnson-designed settings and dance rou-(See O & J Jam on page 65)

Page Petrillo!

BOSTON, Sept. 3 .- Operators of five Merry-Go-Rounds in Boston will be able to continue business after August 31 under special permits invented to fit the occasion by Boston city council. The permits were the outcome of overlapping jurisdiction between the police department, which licensed rides for years to "itinerant musicians," and the mayor's office, where ops were classed as workers in the field of amusement.

The two departments couldn't agree as to status ops should be given. Police Commissioner Thomas F. Sullivan contended that the itinerant musicians classification was not a correct one, and notified the five ops that their licenses would expire August 31.

Application to the mayor's office licensing division brought a rejection and a ruling that carousels are musical machines, operated by musicians.

On August 23 Boston city council entered and adopted an order urging that special permits be issued so that the Merry-Go-Rounds could continue in business.

### The Billboard

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## Michigan's Initial Two - Day Draw Soars to 79,816 Paid; Hope, Grand Ole Opry Click

DETROIT, Sept. 3 .- The Michigan |\$1.85 top. New policy of an openingto 18,816 paid admisisons Friday (2), 3,000 attending. drew an estimated 61,000 today, as compared to 11,864 and 40,806 for the first two days last year. A parade Friday was viewed by an estimated 300,000, and total attendance for the first two days, including passes and children approximated 130,000.

Opening weather was favorable, but rain threatened Sunday. Disaster threatened Friday when a sudden city-wide bus stoppage was averted by a few hours. The fair itself was plagued by sundry union problems, largely the result of the temporary nature of the organization. Typical was the dispute between two unions over jurisdiction over watchmen, which was compromised by the fair hiring members of both. Building service employees had threatened to call out American Federation of Labor (AFL) members, including theatrical crafts, but all disputes appear settled now.

#### Ag. Exhibits Up 15%

Extensive hidden plant improvements in utilities were made this year, but little major new construction is evident. Agricultural exhibits are Torture, Illusion and Midget shows about 15 per cent more than last year: commercial exhibits 30 per cent, with auto displays tops and all major companies participating. Agricultural machinery also is strong.

Premiere of the U. S. Atomic Energy Exhibit is a strong attraction, but requires lengthy study, holding down crowds.

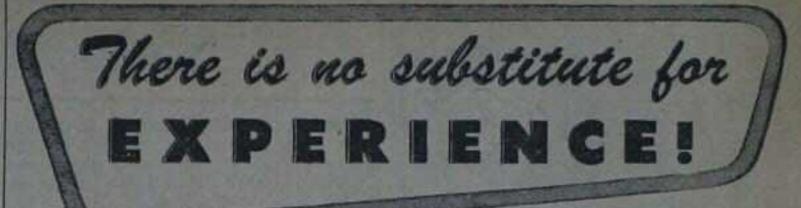
Centennial State Fair, which opened day matinee has proved okay, with

Grand Ole Opry played two grandstand shows Friday, handicapped by cold, to about 4,500. Tex Ritter's rodeo opened today, with 4,000 at the matinee and 8,000 evening attendance. Strong bally used to shuttle crowds between attractions is proving strategic.

#### Gooding on Midway

F. E. Gooding has 28 rides on the midway, and more compact spotting accounts for greater concession space than last year. Twelve light towers are in use. Business is running 25 per cent ahead to date, with big money coming from the Tilt-a-Whirl, Dark Ride and Rock-o-Planes. Ray Marsh Brydon's nine shows, compared to five last year, dominate the lower midway with plenty of flash. Frontage has been extended considerably to accommodate four independent shows, Funhouse, Glass Show, freak cow and a big horse team. Brydon reported business 25 per cent up, with three of his shows not open till tonight. Gross of shows for Friday was said to be approximately \$5,000. New this year are and a Joy Ship. Minor changes in girl routines were made by censors in Streets of Bagdad.

Many more cookhouse and midway concessions are operating this year, indicated by an \$18,000 increase in frontage rental to the fair. Spot checks indicate a modest increase in





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Bob Hope, plus a Gus Sun vaude business at typical stands. show in the Coliseum, drew 8,000 Friday night and about 22,000 in four will stage a benefit in Streets of Bagshows. Price for the Coliseum show dad Wednesday midnight, starring Jo has been increased 25 per cent, to Stafford.

Michigan Showmen's Association

### **Close-Ups: Cohn Issues Annual Statement:** He'll Retire at End of Season - By Hank Hurley-

(This is another in a series of articles on little-known facts about people prominent in outdoor show business.)

FTER 43 YEARS in circus business, Charles (Butch) Cohn, treasurer of Dailey Bros.' Circus, believes he's had enough and plans to retire to his Gonzales, Tex., home after this season. Don't bet, however, that Butch wor't be with it again next season. His friends, and they are legion in outdoor show business, for years have heard him s \_: "This is my last season on the road." They wouldn't believe things were normal unless Butch said

that at least 20 times during a season. Butch maintains, however, that

when he closes the Dailey books at the end of this season it will be his farewell. "After all, I've been on the road with shows for 43 years and I'm entitled to a rest," Butch says with a smile. One gets the idea he really means it, but knows deep down in his heart that come spring he'll get itchy feet again.

Butch isn't sure how he got into the bookkeeping end of show business. He's been handling the tickets and money and balancing circus books for so long he has to stop and think how it happened.

Born in Knoxville, January 21, 1874, Butch recalls that he went to school and lived there until he was 20. He says he wasn't particularly interester in figures while in school, "But they came easy for me and I guess I always liked to be adding



BUTCH COHN

and subtracting." Today he hovers over his trial balances and withholding tax reports like a mother hen over her chicks.

At any rate, at the age of 20, show business entered Butch's blood. He allows that it probably was in his veins long before but he kept it under cover because his dad, who was in the produce business in Knoxville, figured his son would move into that field.

The records show that at 20, Butch joined Ringling Bros.' Circus, working the elephants for Pearl Saunders. It only took Butch about a month to (See COHN ISSUES on page 63)



### GENERAL OUTDOOR

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## 7 Talent Topics

Ramon (Buddy) Larue, stuntman | Henry and Frank Savilla have while suspended from a helicopter a new six-people act soon. Sepa-150 feet in the air, is skedded to ap- rated for the past 10 years, Henry pear at the New Jersey State Fair, has been in St. Louis where he has Trenton, Sunday (25). . . . Will and had contracts with five dancing Gladys Ahern, roping and novelty Western act, share billing with Gautier's Steeplechase, canine novelty, at the Palace, New-York. . . , The Kimris, aerial novelty, are the Labor Day free attraction at Palisades Amusement Park, Cliffside, N. J. ... Harold Barnes, wire-walker; Arsene Gautier's trained pooches and Paul Remos, and his midgets are touring Canada with Harold Steinman's "Skating Vanities of 1950."

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grandstand at the Central Canada didn't work out so well, as Dave Exhibition, Ottawa, for the week lost his grip on the high trapeze and ending August 27, included the Sen- fell, hitting the end of the net and sational Barretts, aerialists; Athos, dislocating his shoulder. . . . Winnie Davidson motorcycle. Opening day, one-finger equilibrist; Paul Kohler, xylophonist; Three Rays, knock-about comedy; Johnny Welde's bears; were the features of the 31st An-nual Food and Home Show at the Sam Linfield and his crazy scouts; Cincinnati Zoo August 23-Septem-Ben Yost's singers; Les Kimris, ber 5. aerialists; Leonard Gautier's bricklayers, canine, and the Harstons, teeterboard. Ted Grant emseed and appearing in San Francisco Zoo the Lee Barton Evans was company manager. Night revue was George A. Hamid's "Grandstand Follies." All office.

Wilfred Alcido, a member of the Alcidos, aerialists, narrowly escaped death August 10 when his trapeze rigging gave way while performing like to receive mail from friends. at Nantasket Beach, Mass. Wilfred clutched and hung on to the guy wires which broke his fall until he (Neb.) Fair included Bee-Ho Grey gained enough strength to lower and Company and Ted La Velda's himself to the ground where he col- Liberty ponies and clown mule. La lapsed and was given medical at- Velda also played the Kearney, Neb., tention. His brother Frank and the annual along with the Chrisys, wire; latter's wife, Alexis, are also in the Fuller Family, riding act, and Hans act.

schools to teach acrobatics. He also has been playing fairs and celebrations with Terry Grant and Wayne Miller. This season Frank has been with Terrell Jacobs's Wild Animal Circus on Royal American Shows.

David Behee, formerly of the Flying Behees and now an electrical engineer in Cincinnati, came out of 11 years' retirement one day last week to do his clown comedy stint with Park. Plan is to pull from six surthe Flying Romas at Cincy's Coney Acts appearing in front of the Island. However, the comeback and Dollie and the Three Royals

Lamont's Cockatoos and Macaws, past five months, close a successful engagement there in late September. Two shows daily have been offered talent was inked thru the Hamid to consistently heavy crowds, reports J. Lamont. The act has been contracted for a return date in 1950. . . . Arthur Fredrick, former juggler who has spent the past year in Highland Hospital, Oakland, Calif., would

Acts playing the Beaver City

## New Hot Springs Fair Inks WOT who features a straitjacket escape joined forces again and will break in For Five Years

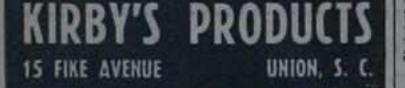
HOT SPRINGS, Sept. 3.-Central Arkansas Free Fair, scheduled for its first run here September 27-October 1, has signed a five-year midway contract with the World of Today Shows. Lee Roy Neal, recently elected general manager, signed for the fair, and L. C. Reynolds, World of Today owner, signed for the shows.

Annual is to be held on a 40-acre site near the Hot Springs National rounding counties.

Big lure will be a reported \$10,000 jackpot prize, which will include a new 1949 auto and a new 1949 Harley-Governor's Day, will feature the appearance of Sid McMath, Arkansas' chief executive.

Lee Roy Neal, known professionally as Elroy, the magician, is president of Plasticraft, Inc., Arkansas industry. Vivian Bennett, who handled the War Finance Committer publicity in Illinois, is handling public relations.





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Pete Hoxworth, blind whip artist, is now using his old circus name of Barnes-Carruthers office. . . . The Pete Hox. Before being blinded he Juggling Jewels, fast-tempoed trio of did a "Little Sampson" act. His fem jugglers, will be part of the first latest booking was August 27 at the eight-act vaude bill opening at the opening of Prudential Square on RKO-Proctor, Newark, N. J., Sep-Wilshire Boulevard, Hollywood, tember 7 for a week. where he appeared on TV over KTTV on "Bozo's Circus," with his Home Show Framed partner-manager, Johnny Brown. This is the first of a series of appearances set for Hox on the Al Simonproduced weekly telecast. Also appearing on the show were Jack Daedell, ringmaster; Bozo the Clown, Carpenterettes: Rolling Robinson, skating artist; Michael Gregg, trained dogs, and Joyce Elyse, tap dancer.

Bobby Crogan and Billy Corlew, billed as the Wizards of the Air, played the fair at Wakeeney, Kan., for Truex-Drake. They recently visited the Clyde Beatty Circus at Lawrence, Kan., and renewed acquaintances with the Tommers, the LaForms, Buster Cronin, Lou Kish and Lou Walton. They also caught Sport Matthews in action at the fair in Colby, Kan. . . Line-up of acts which played the West Union, O., Fair August 26, included Billie De-Armond, juggler; Phil Lewis, acro; Red Dickerson, washboard; Phil Corn, dancer; Doris May, singer; Sampson Twins, unicycle; Leo Francis: clown; Armstrong's Funny Ford: Fisher and that plans have been completed for Graham Trio, aerialists; Toney Forte, the moving of the principal displays baton twirler; the Malinos, rolly bolly; Doris Thompson, contortion, of Texas, Dallas, to the local event. and the Sparklettes, chorus.

Don Dorsey, who is playing fairs in the Midwest, recently visited with R. C. Higgins, CFA member of Huntington, W. Va. . . . R. V. Lewis's band and minstrel were among the chief attractions on the King Bros." Circus tour of Canada, Billy Dee reports from Rugby, N. D. . . . The Flying Romas and the Three Milos were features at Cincinnati Coney Island Park's Fireworks Carnival and Sky a show must guarantee a flame-Revue, August 25-September 5. . . . proofed tent.

Clair, equilibrist. . . . Ted and Art Miller, comedy songs and gagsters, are playing fairs, booked thru the

## For Corpus Christi

CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex., Sept. 3. -Plans for the South Texas Home Show, to be held here October 29-November 6, are rapidly nearing completion, Manager John W. Daly. director of National Home Shows, Inc., announced here this week.

Daly, who has set up offices here, said that lack of auditorium facilities in this city of 150,000 population has brought about the staging of the event under tents. Features include a food show, sport show and building material exhibits. Bill Hames Shows will provide the midway attractions, Daly said. Negotiations are under way to bring Gene Autry and other personalities here for the show. he said.

Daly, who has been staging largescale home shows in principal cities thruout the nation for several years, plans to make the local event the largest ever held in this area. He said and attractions from the State Fair A total of 13 business and civic organizations are sponsoring the show, Daly said.

### Ga. Issues License Warning

ATLANTA, Sept. 3.-Zack Cravey, Georgia fire commissioner, warns all traveling shows that a license, costing \$100, is necessary in Georgia. Too, he said, before a license is issued.

## Cetlin & Wilson **Plays** Host to **Hoosier** Fairmen

(Continued from page 52) headed by Cetlin, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, George C. Golden, R. C. McCarter and a host of others poured out their hospitality.

Welcoming remarks by Governor Schricker and a number of fair board personalities interspersed a sevencourse dinner prepared by the shows' classy Dorso & Goodman Commissary and catered by the serving staff of the local Hotel Lincoln. Laid out in a U-shaped set-up, the tables were attractively decorated by Raynell and er Shows. Massingil picked up a her staff, with floral bouquets being pony, dog, monkey and goat, trained presented each woman in attendance. Following the dinner, a snappy show was presented by the Raynell at the farm and busy framing two group. Acts included Nan Topping snake units for the school season. and Joe Petane, singers; Johnny and Kitty King, dance team; the Four Moroccans, tumblers; the Marfields, dance team; Billy (Zoot) Reed, comic, with Jimmy Cavanaugh, and the Ray-

nell Chorus (8). Bob Williams' ork provided the show music, with Eddie Sterling featured on the Hammond organ during the serving of the dinner. Johnny King emseed.

#### Guests

Members of the fair board and their friends in attendance included Fair President and Mrs. Homer E. Schuman, Vice-President and Mrs. Kenneth Blackwell, Treasurer and Mrs. F. W. Overstreet, Commissioner and Mrs. John A. Watkins, Secretary-Manager and Mrs. Cary Tyner, Dean and Mrs. Harry J. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Earl J. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Phares L. White, Mr. and Mrs. L. Orville Miller, Mr. and Mrs. John Schermerhorn, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Meyer Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Wimmer, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Struckman, Mr. and Mrs. Gilman C. Stewart, Roger G. Wolcott, Mr. and Mrs. Karolyn Holloway, Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Demberger, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Schram.

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Plans are going forward for the | and the Rocky Mount (N. C.) Fair. ninth annual Show Folks of America Harvest Jubilee and Barn Dance November 5 in Chicago, Isaac Chapple is chairman of the festivities, assisted by T. Dwight Pepple, Charles Zemater, Walter Driver and President Irene Reidy. Art Peets has been named emsee for all social functions.

Recent visitors to the Rex N. Ingham Wild Animal Farm included Fats Adcox, disk jockey; Sailor Lane, en route to join Twin States Shows, and Floyd Massingil, Marion Greatby Jack Crawford for Marion Spiller. George and Bill Barrett are back Bobbie and Erla Jenkins are expected at the farm soon to start work on their unit. Crawford has broken two chacma baboons, a monkey, goat, dog and pig for his school unit. Warren Buck is expected after Labor Day with a shipment of African animals and birds.

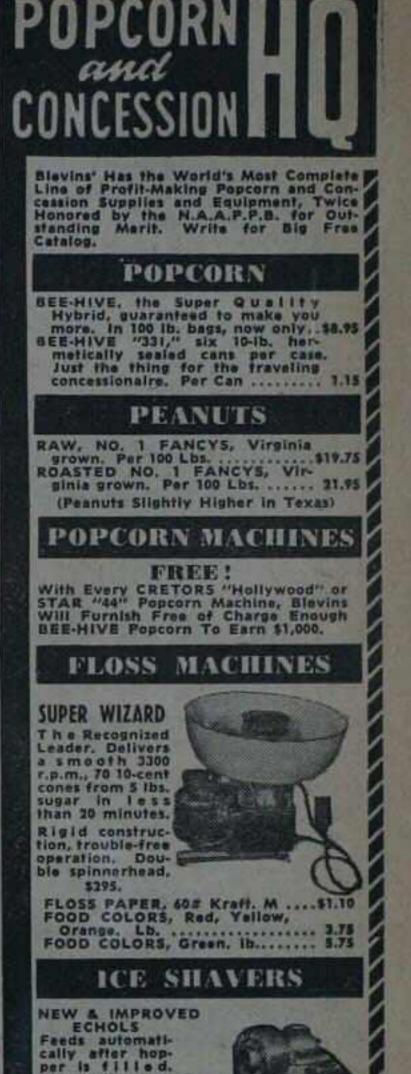
Charles Davitt and Joe and Wally Beach visited the Hamid-Morton, Biller Bros., Ringling and Hunt Bros.' circuses this season, as well as two outdoor dates in Holyoke, Mass., and the Shrine Circus at Narragansett Race Track, Rhode Island. ... A feature story on the editorial page of the August 25 issue of The Boston Traveler had for its subject Abe Shore, blind Revere Beach, Mass., concessionaire, and a partner with Charles S. Freeman in the operation of 18 concessions and rides at the shore spot.

J. Alfred Valentine, president, and Charles Bochert, manager of Mineola (N. Y.) Fair, have skedded a fashion show of garments created exclusively of cotton fabrics and featuring live models for the Tuesday (13) opening of their annual. ... Bob Long, tub-thumper for the Irish Horan Hell Drivers, is in New Representatives from the fair's York to promote space in the metropolitan dailies for the daredevils' appearances at the Westchester County (N. Y.) Fair. . . J. Raymond Morris, well-known circus and carnival billposter, letters that he is still confined in St. Mary's Hospital, Racine, Wis., with his release four or five weeks off. Upon his discharge he plans to return to his Cambridge, Mass., home. Morris was injured July 5 in an automobile accident. Execs of the Center of North Carolina Fair, Asheboro, N. C., including J. G. Haskins, president; W. C. York secretary, and Jack J. Perry. vicepresident, have invited President Truman to appear at the annual, which will run from September 26 thru October 1. The invitation has resulted in considerable publicity for the annual. . . . Dorothy Packiman, George A. Hamid & Son exec, narrowly escaped death one day last week in the vicinity of Radio City, New York, when a runaway truck jump to Frisco for the Cow Palace careened across the sidewalk and opening October 28. killed another woman walking only a few feet behind her. . . . Norman the New Jersey State Fair, Trenton, reports that two tents will be needed to house the overflow of exhibits resulting from an unprecedented de- the past two summers, will be headed The Ramblers Hockey Club, this mand. . . Joe Chambliss is assisting by Tony White Cloud. city, has entered a team in the Mari- his father, Norman, in the managetime Hockey League for the 1949- agement of the Pitt County American Legion Fair at Greenville, N. C.,

Joe is a student at the University of North Carolina.

Capt. Jack O'Diamonds, thrill show owner, reports business in Nebraska as big. Wyoming was fair and Idaho poor, he reports. New members of the show are Jimmy Starr, Silver Flash Mason, Bill (Tarzan) Clarkson and Mitch Lewis, clown. . . . Lloyd Cunningham, secretary of the Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, now knows how a braying jackass sounds. Cunningham and other fair officials slept in the administration building during the recent fair. Dynamite, a Mexican burro, housed close to that building kept other fair officials awake at night with his braying, but not Cunningham, who slept thru it each night and laughed the next day at the others. Finally the latter couldn't stand it any longer, and when Cunningham came to his office on one of the closing days, the jackass was tied to his desk. Before Cunningham could get the burro untied and out the animal brayed loud enough to shake the entire building.

Gene Paquette, retired circus trouper, visited Gerald Snellens, World of Mirth Shows' agent, at the Central Canada Exhibition, Ottawa. E. S. Dillard has been elected chairman of the Carolinas Christmas Festival which will be staged in Charlotte, N. C. Paul Abernathy will direct the doings. . . . Secretary Corbin L. Green, of the Catawba (N. C.) Fair, announces that premiums this year will total \$3,000. . . W. M. Temple, owner of the Central Show Printing Company, Mason City, Ia., was in Chicago last week on a combined business and pleasure trip.



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#### Press Staff

press staff included Mr. and Mrs. Earle R. Holland Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Don Collings, Wanda Coats, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Robert I. Terry and Mr. and Mrs. Albert O. Derr and daughters.

Guests from the fair's office staff were Mrs. Hilda Nowlin, Mrs. Orville Miller, Mrs. Ruth Huddleston, Mrs. Ethel Pattison, Mrs. Gladys Powers, Minnle Fisher and Mrs. Sisson.

Also taking in the dinner were Willie Hartzman, John Walker and E. K. Johnson, and Bill Sachs and Bob Doepker, of The Billboard.

### Amherst, N. S., Arena Gets New Ice Plant

AMHERST, N. S., Sept. 3 .- An artificial ice plant is being installed in the arena of the Maritime Winter Fair here, with the fair commission hopeful that the plant will be ready for use October 8. It is doubtful, however, that the plant installation will be completed until early November.

In addition to the installation, other improvements being made include the building of several new stairways, the addition of dressing rooms and the erection of concession stands.

'50 season.

Bill Clarkson, Gonzales, Tex., driver with Capt. Jack O'Diamonds' thrill show, suffered second and third degree burns during the show's stand in Ogallala, Neb. Mishap occurred when Clarkson, saturating the walls of a frame structure with gasoline, spilled some on his clothing and it ignited.

### Moore Readies N.Y. Garden Rodeo Bill

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - Frank Moore, rodeo manager of Madison Square Garden, is busy on final details for the 24th annual World's Championship Rodeo, which opens at the Garden September 28 for a 26day run.

Everett E. Colborn is readying the stock for the Garden at his ranch in Dublin, Tex., and will use some of the animals at Ardmore, Okla., September 7-10, and at Fort Madison, Iowa, September 17-18, before bringing them into New York. Contestants who plan to compete at both the Garden and at the IRA championships at the Cow Palace, San Francisco, will have five days for the

For the first time the Garden rodeo will feature a large group of L. Marshall, secretary-manager of Indians in war dances, songs and rituals. The group, many of the members of which have been appearing at the Chicago Railroad Fair

The first member of the glamour girl contingent of the rodeo to be announced is Joanne Phillips, of Hollister, Calif., who comes with the titles of Queen of California and Sweetheart of the California Rodeo in Salinas. She can ride and has twice been named best junior cowgirl at California rodeos. Several other States will name queens for the New York cow whoopee within the next week, so New Yorkers will be able to ogle a few pairs of shanks, at the rodeo, that won't look as tho they had been warped in the rain.



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## TENTS CANVAS Vaudeville Gazes Into Crystal; Four Stages, Three Work Up 400%; Not Constant

(Continued from page 43) go back again. Meanwhile, however, the Hippodrome, always a full week, is out.

#### Smaller Circuits

A. Rickard has split weeks at the Patio, Brooklyn; Crotona, New York; a full week at the Jamaica, Jamaica, L. L. and full weeks at the Steel Pier, Atlantic City, in season. Joe Daniels, in the Northwest, has about 31/2 weeks in Portland, Ore., and Seattle. There are a few more split weeks in the South and out of Chicago thru Sam Roberts, but that completes the picture.

There are many rumored plans of various indies and chains going back. to flesh in the near future. But most of it is still talk. Fanchon & Marco have St. Louis going, expect to reopen on the Coast and are mulling reopening of new houses. They are probably closest to opening up. But so far everybody else is watching competition before making any real jump.

to boast about. Houses using the properly seen. RKO recently made its Palace policy try to spend what the Brooklyn Madison its chief show RKO has listed as its budget, \$3,000 house. But recently complaints have to \$3,500 for eight acts. But where the RKO can make deals because of its playing time, indies and small chains | talk over only. cannot. An act that gets the Palace, if it does a job, may get the route. Some acts get more dough for out of town; in most cases it seldom is more than their Palace dough plus traveling expenses.

Acts working for the Schine Time or similar small chains are seldom Palace caliber; the result is that their money is a lot less. The average act working for RKO gets \$200. Smaller circuits pay closer to \$100. Indies' Problems The towns where vaude may make a strong comeback are, paradoxically, the ones that RKO has reopened. When RKO comes into a town it stages a mass publicity campaign. getting loads of free newspaper space, with local dignitaries coming out for openings. But RKO stays in town only one week. Local competitors who see this revival are seriously considering putting in shows for the three weeks that RKO is out of town to cash in on the chain's campaign. The fact that flickers are not coming thru is another case for a revival of flesh. Such houses, however, are up against the money problem. Few actors will go out into the sticks for an occasional week unless they get real dough. If they've played the town for RKO, they certainly wouldn't go back for a competitor for obvious reasons. This means that local indies have to buy regional acts that nobody knows, even the they

pect the cheaper show to do the business the big shows did in the past. When it fails, they're down on all flesh, and vaude gets a poke in the nose. To make a vaude show pay off, say showbiz authorities, it has to have showmanship and shrewd buying. This frequently calls for fem flash and novelty acts rather than comics and singers. The latter are plentiful. It is in the former category where the supply is limited.

The hope of every act is to get a job in New York, out of where they think they can start moving. Some of these acts will probably start in small towns, may even get to New York and work a couple of dates in and around New York. RKO, for example, won't buy an act unless it sees if. The chain has bookers go to various nabe one-nighters to look at acts. If an act is standard, availability and price are the chief considerations. If not, getting a Palace date isn't a cinch.

Acts argue they must have ade-The money in most cases is nothing quate rehearsals and music to be come in that, to save musicians' rehearsal pay, RKO now gives acts a

#### Tough on Acts

New York is a big show town. It has close to 50 nabe houses in and around metropolitan New York split up between Loew's RKO, Fabian and Skouras. Salaries in most of them ranges from \$15 to maybe \$35 a night. If an actor can get enough of To Draw 1,500,000 Visitors these (together with club dates) he could live. But in the majority of cases it is a hard buck.

The big houses, the Chicago and

At Mission Beach

MISSION BEACH, Calif., Sept. 3 .-Fiestabahia, the three-day Labor Day Festival here, got under way today with an overflow crowd from San Diego and adjoining areas, officials reported. The problem of making all events easily viewed by spectators was licked by Manager Ernie Hulick, who spread the fiesta entertainment over four stages, three of them floating and one on the mainland.

The main floating stage was anchored opposite the amusement zone. The stage covers 10,000 square feet with a 4,000 square foot canvas backdrop. Buster Crabbe's Aqua Parade of 1949 performs from this stage.

The other stages are used for music and religious functions. The mainland stage features musical productions and life-sized tele. Over 190,-000 board feet of lumber and 50,000 man hours have gone into constructing the stages and other permanent buildings to house the event, which is to be made an annual affair. Construction was completed in 43 days.

Approximately 5,500 feet of water lines for fire hydrants, drinking fountains and service outlets were instafled. Portable rest rooms are used for patrons. A total of 50,000 feet of electric wires were strung. City officials pointed out that most of the improvements are of a permanent nature and will be made a part of Mission Bay Park.

## Blackpool Finale Expected

LONDON, Sept. 3. - Blackpool's first postwar revival of elaborate autumn illuminations, September 16-October 24, is expected to draw 1,-500,000 visitors to England's top beach resort for the season's windup.



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may do good jobs. or any other circuit which goes into and more competitive bidding for a town for a fast week and out. For them, New acts with ability may sudthat one week they hit all competitors. denly find themselves sought after. It is a case where if the experiment is Standard acts will get more dough successful the opposition will try to and more time. If the indies find cash in.

#### Comes the Rub

The rub comes in when some ops who may have played spot band shows, paying them \$8,500, now turn OCEAN PARK, CALIF. to straight vaude for \$3,500 and ex-



Oriental in Chicago, and the Capitol, Music Hall, Paramount, Roxy and Strand in New York are, of course, the cream of the crop. If an act can get the Music Hall with a good picture, it can stay there for 10 weeks. In the other houses runs range from one to six weeks. But acts that play the big houses are not interested in RKO or similar time, except for their regular salaries and spot dates. Conversely, acts that play the smaller circuits are seldom suitable for the big presentation houses.

Yet, there is more work around than there was last year. And, if biz stays good, there'll be more work around in the next few weeks. But there is little solid playing time around, even tho things are better. What it amounts to today is four weeks' lay-off after six weeks' work. where a year ago it was six weeks' lay-off, one week's work.

#### Competish the Key

The big hope acts have is that The same thing is true of Interstate as more houses open there'll be more chains moving in on them, they may he forced to bid for shows. Chains, on the other hand, to keep their competitive edge may decide to run regular shows. It could all add up to an actor's field day. The only things that can stop it are deals made by huvers on salaries, a general boxoffice slump or the current light going on between the two rival talent unions.

It is doubtful if deals on salaries can be made. Bookers guard their budgets too zealously. If a depression does set in, the box office will suffer. No actor can do anything about that. It is in the fight between the American Guild of Variety Artists (AGVA) and the American Federation of Musicians (AFM) where the unmediate danger lies. If the battle gets any worse and either union starts pulling acts or musicians out, chains and indies may throw everything out. They'll go back to straight flicks or put in bowling alleys.

Bulk of the visitors are expected to arrive via autos and busses, but British railways are putting on special trains on a prewar scale. In 1937 the railroads carried 818,632 kibitzers to the illuminations, but this dropped to 567,957 in 1938.



## Minnesota Centennial Office To Shutter; Aid Cut Off to Many

ST. PAUL, Sept. 3 .- With the Min-| Robbinsdale, Minn. Even speakers nesota Centennial Office set to shut for centennial observance purposes, down operations September 15, at such as the latter two communities least 16 community and civic cele- want, are unavailable after Septembrations at which centennial aid was ber 15. being counted upon will have to operate without such assistance, it was learned here.

the centennial staff tangled with ex- County Fair, Luverne, September 14ecutives of the Minnesota Historical 16; Windom Flax Days, September Society, celebration sponsors, last 17; St. Paul Truck Rodeo, September month. Dean Julius M. Nolte, cen- 17-18; McLeod County Fair and Patennial director, quits September 15 and Dr. Harold D. Cater, Historical Forest Lake Diamond Jubilee Cele-Society director, takes over.

But when Cater takes charge he will be without a staff of experts and technicians who go out then. His plan to hire these specialists on a special contractual basis seems to be running afoul because many of them have lined up other jobs.

### Nix Aid to Seven Celes

had to turn down aid to seven cele- Concert, October 14; Historical Sobrations coming up. One of these ciety Birthday, St. Paul, October 20, includes the Centennial Birthday and City of St. Paul Centennial Fete, Celebration planned by St. Paul on November 1-3, the occasion of its 100th anniversary November 1-3. Celebration committee members were told to contact Cater, Gov. Luther W. Youngdahl and Bergmann Richards, Historical Society president.

Others who got turn-downs were Kenyon, Forest Lake, Montgomery, International Falls, Sacred Heart and



The list of dates which will have to go without assistance from the Centennial Office include Kenyon Centen-The shutdown was ordered after nial Fair, September 15-17; Rock geant, Hutchinson, September 18-22; bration, September 21; Montgomery Kolacky Day, September 25; Mankato Centennial Fete, September 17-18; International Falls Forest Festival, September 23-24; Duluth Fall Festival and Centennial Fete, October 1-4; University of Minnesota Centennial Concert, Minneapolis, October 4; St. Paul Lief Erickson Day, October 9; Montgomery Centennial Threshing Already the Centennial Office has Bee, October 9; Duluth Centennial

#### Pageant Group Disbands

"These requests for aid will continue," one Centennial Office official said, "but we cannot make any commitments, naturally. Right now we are trying to get some final reports ready. That in itself would be a couple of months' job. Who can do that and help communities, too?"

Meanwhile, the Centennial Office's pageant organization, under the direction of Harold and Adah Searles, disbanded after its final performance Sunday (28) at Lake Bronson;

As the close of the Territorial Centennial Celebration approached, several members of the staff have indicated that they hoped to be around when the Minnesota Legislature starts talking about a Statehood centennial observance to mark the 100th anniversary of Statehood in 1958, "We'll move heaven and earth at that time to keep this celebration business out of the hands of a group of academic individuals such as make up the Historical Society," one man declared. "I'll do it if I have to run for political office, seeking a seat in the Legislature, or if I have to conduct a one-man lobby. Such a celebration should be run by trained men who know the entertainment and amusement business and not by students or teachers who know nothing but their studies."



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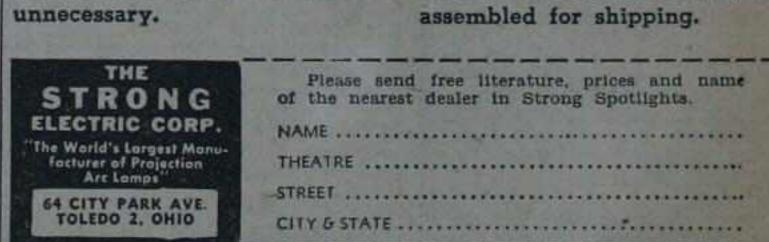
MUNCIE, Ind., Sept. 3 .- Bun-off of the previously polio-postponed Muncie Fair here was headed for a financial loss Friday (2), the fifth day of its nine-day run. Operating without livestock and agricultural exhibits, the run-off was rained out Sunday (28) and Wednesday (31) and also was hit by some rain Tuesday (30).

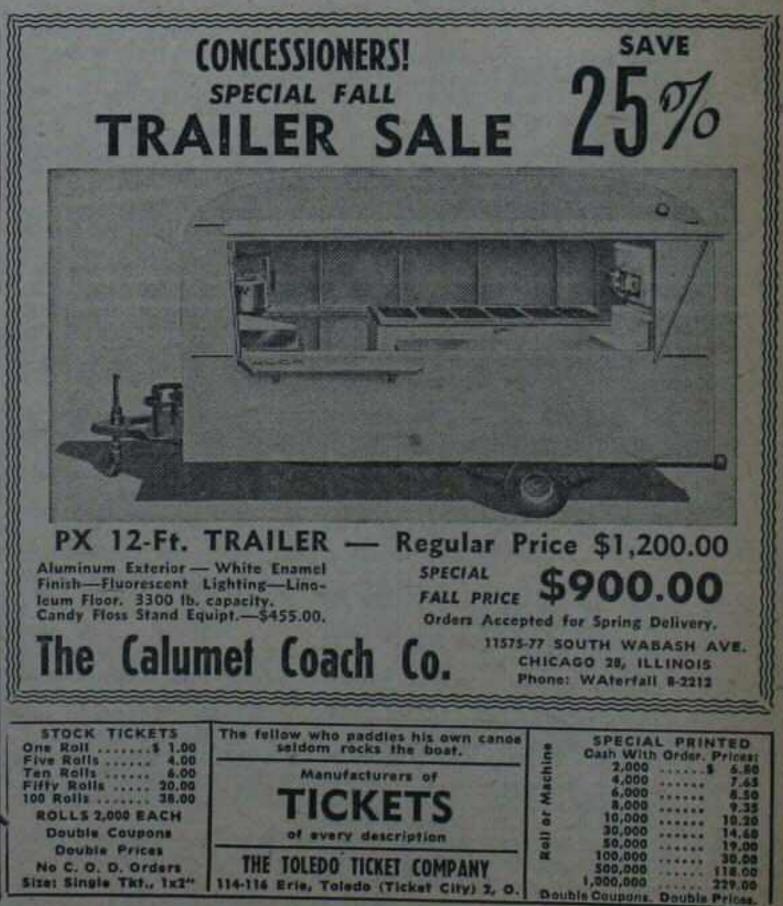
Cavalcade of Amusements, holder of the contract for the original dates, are on the midway, but their business was down, due to the weather and the fact that the re-run lacks the pull of a full-scaled fair.

### Wirth Acts, Revue Preem At Fonda, N. Y., Annual

FONDA, N. Y., Sept. 3 .- The Mont-gomery County Fair opens here today for a five-day run, with a group of thrill acts and Frank Wirth's revue, Appy Landing, as grandstand attractions.

The line-up of acts appearing in clude the Apollos, high swaying pole; the Torelli Sisters, Liberty horses; Jack and Charlie Brick, trampoline, and the Herzogs, Roman rings,





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September 10, 1949

BALLYHOO BROS.' CIRCULATING EXPO A Century of Profit Show

By Starr De Belle-

### Wedlock, Ariz. September 3, 1949.

Dear Editor:

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We are no longer classified as a troupe-we're a clan. However, we have been painfully particular about out mating. In the spring when the pairing-off season arrives, that is when the selecting of brides and grooms-to-be is carefully studied by our matrimonial committee.

no choosing days for our youngsters. ternity. Instead they selected the son The selecting is done by our match- of Ulrich Ballyhoo, a ride foreman, makers who know just how to mate with the wedding turning out well the couples thru their likes and dis- for both. In 12 years he accumulated likes. Here is none of that love at enough money thru the finding of first sight. They are united in mat- pokes in ride seats to buy her a mug rimony because they both like the joint. The geek, who was lonely in same music (turntable or juke box), the same foods (a la grease joint), towner by the name of Stiffia Baldthe same entertainments (giving a guy inghoo (no blood relation of the the hot-foot or grapevine gossiping) founder even the the name is similar) and the same work whether it be and both were banished from the shake, grind and bump or count 'em midway. up, turn it around or three balls for a dime.

a gal born under the sign of Leo the per) and board to elope with a chump

### Harald Madsen Dies had the run of the restrooms without In Usserod, Denmark

USSEROD, Denmark, Sept. 3. -Harald Madsen, 50, internationally After three years she came humbly known Scandinavian clown, died recently in a hospital here. He was for many years a member of the reconciliation, but the committee had famous clown trio headed by Auguste Miehe, which played the leading circuses and music halls of Europe. Madsen also was a contortionist and it be a lesson to her and was taken a capable performer on the trapeze back into the tribe. To escape from and tight wire.

for a boy born under Taurus the bull. The committee never sanctions a match between a ball-game queen This is America's greatest family and a roll-down agent. Their likes midway. In 30 years our personnel are two far apart. She is given a has multiplied to 1,000. The children | coke bottle worker. Thirty years ago and grandchildren of the shows' our train comprised 35 flatcars and founders are now numbered in the 10 coaches. We still have the same hundreds. Children of members of number of wagons and flatcars, but the shows' original personnel have by multiplying our people we have married into the Ballyhoo family. increased the number of coaches from 10 to 50.

Back in 1929 General Agent Lem Trucklow's daughter by his seventh wife fell in love with a geek. When our committee discovered that they were both born under the sign of Scorpio the knot tying was called off, because they figured she would be-Let it be understood that we have come a member of the geeking frahis pit, in desperation married a

Five years ago a granddaughter of Cyrus Ballyhoo, operator of the Our matchmakers know whether shows' restrooms, left her berth (uplion will make a lifetime helpmate who owned a chain of banks. The gal had everything to live for, was a favorite among the bellysticks and tipping. Yet she threw herself away to wear furs and diamonds, to live in a mansion, to drive big cars and to have servants to wait on her. back to the lot. Her husband came to the lot at least 20 times seeking a already found a stable boy on the pony ride who was more fitting for her. She was forgiven and told to let this show you have to either die or

## Wis. State Fair Gets Record 200G Profit, 717,900 Gate

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MILWAUKEE, Sept. 3 .- An esti-| prises, Chicago, accounted for an \$82,mated profit of \$200,000 and an attendance of 717,900, both all-time records, were piled up by the Wisconsin State Fair, which closed Sunday (28) after a nine-day run.

The gate eclipsed the previous record of 676,288, established in 1941 and was almost 80,000 over the total for 1947, when the event ran nine days. Last year the fair was embraced in the Wisconsin Centennial Exposition, which ran 23 days.

Many grandstand receipt records went by the boards in the face of the record-breaking entrance. Biggest take of any grandstand attraction was \$77,377.50, registered closing afternoon for the 200-mile national championship AAA big car race, Grandstand and bleachers were scaled higher for this event, with admission to the races \$5, \$3.60 and \$2.

for the full run was \$266,706.40, after them owned and operated by C. A. taxes. The night grandstand show, Rose, getting heavy patronage, and a revue plus acts, booked thru with most of the shows winning Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enter- money.

522.70 take in eight performances.

Other grandstand events and their grosses were Jimmie Lynch Death Dodgers - opening Saturday afternoon, \$3,798.50, closing night, \$12,-377.50; midget auto races-opening Sunday afternoon, \$25,420.50; harness horse races-Monday thru Wednesday, \$2,900, \$5,163 and \$6,002; stock car race-Thursday, \$31,334; big car sprint races-Friday, \$7,316, and motorcycle races-second Saturday, \$11,946

The fair operated without Grand Circuit races, and placed increased emphasis on speed and thrill shows. Four days of varied auto races yielded \$141, 863, more than half of the total grandstand receipts for the entire run, both night and day.

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Madsen and his partner, Carl divorce it. Schenstrom, were at one time the top-ranking movie comics of Scandinavia as Doublepatte and Patachon, and their films were good box-office thruout Europe.

Duo went into temporary eclipse with the advent of talking films but Madsen, after a few none-to-successful flings at operating circuses and other ventures, made a successful comeback as a joey with Circus Berny & Rex, of Norway, in 1946, and made an equally successful tour of Finland in 1948 with the Danish circus, Schmidt Bros.

### **Polio Epidemic Causes** Mills To Blow Butler, Pa.

BUTLER, Pa., Sept. 3 .- A polio epidemic forced Mills Bros' Circus to cancel its engagement here Wednesday (31). City health officials ruled all public gatherings be canceled the day before the Mills org was to show here.

In New Castle, Pa., Tuesday (30), the show did light business. Weather was okay at matinee time but rain hit about an hour before the night show started.

### Minnie Unit on Display

COOPERSTOWN, N. Y., Sept. 3 -A miniature circus was placed on permanent display at Farmers' Museum here recently by the New York State Historical Association. The unit, known as Ricardo's Circus, was constructed by the late Richard C. Ellsworth, former secretary of St. Lawrence University in Canton, N. Y. It was erected by George H. Barlow 3d, Robert E. Ellis and Robert Sweeney, all of Binghamton, N. Y., and miniature circus builders and Wichita, stopped in Junction City, hobbyists.

### **Circus Historical Society**

WICHITA, Kan., Sept. 3 .- The fourth annual national convention in Baraboo, Wis., registered the largest attendance in history. Bill Kasiska, despite ill health, mapped out a swell program. Harry Simpson had circus paintings, made by Glen Tracy, on display. John M. Kelly, whose speech at the banquet is still being talked about, had a vault in the Baraboo bank to house his circus collection. Walter Schacht, former wire walker now residing in Baraboo, presented the writer, president of the CHS, with a money bag which at one time belonged to the Adam Forepaugh and Sells Bros.' United Shows, and Ed Gollmar presented me with a picture of the Gollmar Bros.' Circus of 1892.

John and Ruth Van Matre attended the Railroad Fair in Chicago. Ruth, with the two children, Sylvia and Bette, returned to Philadelphia, but John came on to Baraboo for the convention. Tom Parkinson, Shreveport, La., hit The Shreveport Times with a circus story and The Unadilla (N. Y.) Times carried the story written by Mrs. Bessie Strait, Sidney, N. Y., for the May issue of Bandwagon.

Allen Wescott, M. Brown and John Crowley, during their trek of New England States, visited Robbins Bros. and also visited Bill Woodcock, now with the Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros." Circus. Joe Tracy reports he has caught Cole Bros., Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey and Robbins Bros." circuses.

The writer and her husband, Fred, on the return from Baraboo to Kan., to catch the Clyde Beatty show.



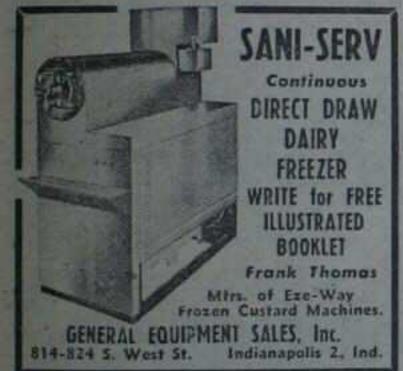
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### American Carnivals Association, Inc. -By Max Cohen-

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 3 .- Visits during last week included Gaiety Shows, Boxall Concessions and Fremont W. Smith, all showing collectively at Fairport, N. Y.; the Jones and Marguritte Concessions at Sea Breeze, N. Y., and the Carl Ferris Shows exhibiting at the Jefferson County Fair, Watertown, N. Y. Owner Carl Ferris and Manager Marty Smith extended many courtesies to the writer, and 116 additional personnel membership





## Chester, Pa., Gives Polack Unit Big Biz

CHESTER, Pa., Sept. 3.—Polack Bros.' Eastern Unit, showing on Lloyd Athletic Field under ideal weather conditions, racked up an excellent three-day stand ended last Saturday (27). Capacity houses were on hand for both opening and closing nights.

Business garnered was particularly noteworthy in view of the fact that town had already harbored Larry Sunbrock's rodeo and six carnivals.

cards were issued for a total of 138, moving Ferris Shows into third place in the annual membership race.

Monday (28) we visited the B. &. C. Exposition Shows and Gaiety Shows, which combined for the Monroe B. & C. Expo.: Oswego, N. Y., 7-11; (Fair) County Exposition just outside this city.

Current standings in the personnel membership race follow: Endy Bros.' (Fair) Cookport 13-17. Bee's Old Reliable: (Fair) Waverly, Tenn.; (Fair) Horse Cave, Ky, 12-17. Beeson, Tex.: Kingston, Mo. Shows 301; James E. Strates Shows 251; Carl Ferris Shows 138; Cavalcade of Amusements 137; B. & C. Exposition Shows 55; Boxall Concessions 51; Blue Grass: Clarksville, Tenn.; Woodbury 12-Gaiety Shows 45; J. J. Kirkwood Shows 36; I. T. Shows 34, and H. W. Jones Concessions 21.

Confirmation has been received from the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, approving meeting room reservations for the association's next annual meeting in November, Members who have not made application for room reservations are urged to do so at once.

Arrangements have been made for co-operative activities by this association and the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools and Beaches with reference to admission tax legislation. Various members of Congress from many States are still insisting upon the repeal of excise taxes during the present session of Congress, but our information is that there will be no action in this field



are given. In some instances possibly mailing points are listed.)

Alamo Expo.: (Fair) Perry, Okla.; Bristow 12-17.

All-American Midway: Sapulpa, Okia,; Shawnce 12-17.

American Beauty: (Fair) Webb City, Mo.; (Fair) Lamar 12-17. American Eagle: Vienna, Mo. American Funland: Hazen, Ark.; Wynne 12-

17.

American Liberty: Sparkman, Ark.; Slamps 12-17.

American Midway: Gonzales, Tex.

A.M.P.: Franklinton, N. C.; Clarkaville, Va., 12-17.

Badger State; Blue Earth, Minn.; Glenwood 15-18.

Vernon 13-18.

Beam's Attra .: (Pair) New Plorence, Pa .;

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Bogle & Reese: (Fair) West Mineral, Kan.; (Fair) Butler, Mo., 12-17. Bohn & Sons United: Julesburg, Colo,

Borderiand: Wharton, Tex., 8-18. Brodbeck & Schrader, No. 1: (Fair) Dodge City, Kan.; (Fair) Blackwell, Okia., 12-17. Brodbeck & Schrader, No. 2: (Fair) Longton, Kan., 13-15.

Brodheck: Hill City, Kan., 7-9. Brownie Am.: (Fair) Gotebo, Okla.; (Fair) Hobart 13-17.

(See Carnival Routes, page 60)

### **Rogers Org Fails To Get** Biz at Two Texas Spots

BORGER, Tex., Sept. 3 .- Rogers Bros.' Circus failed to chalk up satisfactory business in two Texas spots. Playing here Thursday (25) under auspices of the Borger Optimist's Club, the show registered only a half house at the matinee and less than three quarters at night. In Perryton, Wednesday (24), it was a three-quarter night count, after less than a half house at the matinee. Poor location of the lot here was blamed for the light draw, STROBLITE CO. Dept. 8-4, 35 W. 52d St.



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until considerably later in the year and that changes made will become effective in 1950.

It is significant that a Democratic member of the House Ways and Means Committee has asked the committee to convene in November to consider bills dealing with excise tax reduction. Statistical information received indicates that if admission taxes were reduced to the prewar rate, the public could have the advantage of an 8.3 reduction in costs. Whether tax legislation can be secured before the end of the year is problematical, but it is a virtual certainty that such legislation will be enacted in 1950.

Railway Progress has included in its September, 1949, issue excerpts of a letter written with reference to discriminatory railroad rates, by this writer.

Current indicators of business activity are all optimistic in tone and show a decreasing amount of unemployment and some increased purchasing power on the part of the public. A substantial upturn in business is expected early in 1950.

The important tax dates during September include September 15 when individual, partnership and corporation tax returns for fiscal years ended June 30 must be filed; third installment of 1949 estimated tax must be paid and August withholding taxes must be paid where the amount exceeds \$100, Admission taxes for August are payable on or before September 30.

A recent ruling has been received to the effect that fees paid for the preparation of an income tax return or for litigation of a tax deficiency or a refund are deductible on income tax returns where income is derived from a business or from property

### Hunt's Port Jervis Biz Light

PORT JERVIS, N. Y., Sept. 3 .-Hunt Bros.' Circus' did only light business here, August 13, getting only a half-house at the matinee, a near three-quarters at night,



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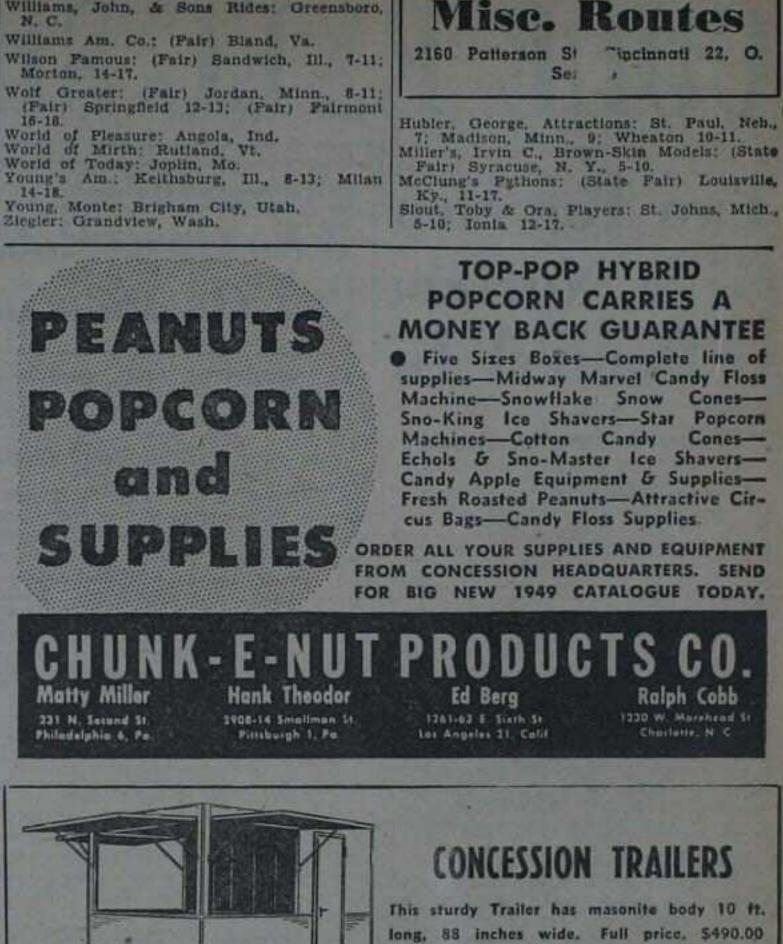
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### Tavlin Seeks New Blood

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- A change in the top executive line-up of Cole Bros.' Circus is in the making, it was learned here this week.

At a meeting of Cole officials in Saratoga Springs, N. Y., August 7, Eddie McEuen, Saratoga Springs, and Roy A. McAndrews, Chicago, who with Jack (Abie) Tavlin purchased the show last winter from Zack Terrell, announced they wanted to sell their interests.

That sent Tavlin scurrying to find fresh money. As of Friday (2), the report was Tavlin had three men as possible buyers of McEuen's and Mc-Andrews' interests. He hopes to complete a deal within two weeks.

#### O'Donnell Stays

When the deal with Terrell was made last winter, McEuen, McAndrews, Tavlin and Frank O'Donnell, Elizabeth, N. J., were the four principal stockholders. Each owned 25 per cent. Under the new set-up, O'-Donnell and Tavlin will retain their 25 per cent each, with 50 per cent open.

Report has it that Tavlin is trying to interest two or more buyers to purchase the 50 per cent or to bor-Another story making the rounds is week—and apparently it is the row enough to purchase it himself. this week-and apparently it is the McCoy-was that a \$25,000 payment was due Terrell August I. Tavlin, it is understood, called Terrell and reported he would like a time extension. This was granted. Terrell, it is understood, told Tavlin at that time that he was not interested in getting back into circus business. While it is a known fact the Cole show is not making money, employees have not missed a pay day since the show opened in April. Earlier this season, employent took a 15 per cent pay cut at the request of executives. The cut has not been restored. Tavlin, it is understood, still plans to winter the show in the new Miami quarters and has big plans for next season. Three feature acts, said to be the Hanneford family, riding act; Zacchini cannon act, and Con Colleano, tight wire, are reported already signed by Tavlin for next year.

Difference of Opinion:

COLE EXEC SHAKE-UP

## Who Owns Robbins Bros.' Title?, \$64 Question in New Brunswick

FREDERICTON, N. B., Sept. 3 .thruout the Province of New Brunswick is:

title?

According to the story, Milt Robbins, at the beginning of the 1949 season, leased the title to C. C. Smith. With the lease, not to mention the paint brush, Smith and Bob Stevens title until his Robbins Bros.' Circus rechristened the erstwhile Bailey folded in Mobile, Ala., in October, Bros.' Circus. Thereafter, the Robbins org (nee Bailey Bros.) entered Canada at St. Catherines, about June 1, time until 1938 when Jess Adkins and for a tour of Ontario, Quebec and the Zack Terrell, who were operating Maritime Provinces.

August 18, The St. John (N. B.) Telegraph-Journal carried the following ad:

### "NOTICE

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Milt Robbins, Side Show manager Current question in circus circles on Dailey Bros.' Circus, contacted when that org played Fredericton, reported he positively controlled the Who owns Robbins Bros.' Circus Robbins title and had leased it to Smith. "My mother and I took legal steps to protect our title ownership in 1924 and at that time we leased it to Fred Buchanan," Robbins said.

A check shows Buchanan used the 1931.

The title was unused from that Cole Bros.' Circus as a 25-car show, desired to frame a 15-car show for smaller towns. They revived the Robbins Bros. title and sent a unit thru Eastern Canada.

Frank A. Robbins II, who has made his home in Toronto in recent years, operates one-ring circuses and small Wild West outfits in the Maritime Provinces. Glew is a native of Woodstock. According to the story, he became acquainted with the Robbins boys around Amsterdam, Troy and Schenectady, N. Y., in the early 1900's.

Later, in partnership with them, he operated various concessions on the Frank A. Robbins Circus. For two seasons he was known as the Great Leonardo, doing the leap-the-gap on a bicycle, as a free act on the circus they used wait paper and wait ads. midway. He engaged in various branches of show business until the death of his mother in 1933. At that time he returned to Woodstock to administer real estate owned by the family.

**Biz for Cole** In Pacific NW **Reported Up** 

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### Tacoma, Aberdeen Red

KENNEWICK, Wash,, Sept. 3 .-Business for Cole Bros.' Circus on its tour of the Pacific Northwest has taken a decided upswing, with overflows registered both matinee and night in Tacoma and Aberdeen and a three-day stand in Portland, Ore, getting good, but not terrific results. Playing here Tuesday (30), the Cole org registered two near-capacity houses, this despite the fact the org was preceded by Clyde Beatty earlier, this season. Monday (29), in Dallas, Ore., also played earlier by Beatty, Cole did just fair business.

The first two days of the three-day stand in Portland (26-28) proved big. capacity and near-capacity houses being the rule. Third day's biz fell off but was still satisfactory.

Longview, Wash., Thursday (25), gave the show a three-quarter matinee and a straw at night, while Olympia, Wash., the day before was light. Matinee was a half house and three quarters at night.

Cole officials said ticket prices were being-cut only in towns in which Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey are scheduled to play and in which Cole's prices in such cities are 83 cents, plus tax, for grandstand and \$1.20, plus tax, for reserves. Kid tickets go for 42 cents plus tax, Regular Cole prices are \$1.50 for grandstand, including tax, and \$2.75, with tax for reserves. Kid prices ordinarily are 60 cents with tax. Emmett Sims, who resigned earlier this season as general agent for Biller Bros.' Circus, will join the Cole org in Helena, Mont., Thursday (8). Cole officials said Sims will work as promotion man in schools and colleges, a special department, and will not be assigned to the press staff.

## **Robbins Folds** At Dowagic

DETROIT, Sept. 3. - Robbins Bros.' Circus closed September 1 at Dowagic, Mich. Show re-entered the U. S. Sunday (28) at Port Huron, Mich., after a successful three-month tour of Canada, and showed to poor business Monday (29) at Lapeer, Tuesday at Howell, and Wednesday at Albion, Mich., so did not open at Dowagic.

Bob and Elva Stanley, who had three acts in the show, report all personnel were paid off and everybody satisfied, with C. C. Smith, manager, planning to reorganize and possibly reopen again this season.

**Dressing Room Gossip** Appears This Week on Pages 90.91

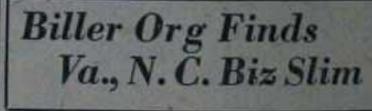


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DENVER, Sept. 3. - The third circus in here this year, Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey, did okay business Wednesday (31), registering 8,000 at the matinee and capacity at night. Weather was cool, with some rain in the afternoon. Despite the day (1), was fair, a half-house at the unseasonable cold at night, org registered a full one.

In Cheyenne, Wyo., R-B gave only a night performance Tuesday (30) and drew a straw. Business in Norfolk, Neb., Saturday (27) was okay, with a full house at the matinee and three-quarters at night.

Sioux City proved a winner, with a straw matinee and capacity night.



REIDSVILLE, N. C., Sept. 3 .-Biller Bros.' Circus, which hoped to find better business in Virginia and North Carolina than it found on its Pennsylvania trek, was experiencing tough going here.

Show hit rain in the afternoon and cold weather at night Wednesday (31). Result was two light houses. Tuesday (30), in Henderson, N. C., matinee was light and rain at night to Mickey Dales. The show comes made for another light one.

Farmville, Va., Friday (26) gave with two light houses.

Best spot was Charlottesville, Va., Thursday (25), where the show chalked up two capacity houses. Tuesday (23), however, at Winchester, Va., business was light at both shows,

Wisconsin Tour **Okay for K-M** 

RHINELANDER, Wis., Sept. 3 .-The Al G. Kelly-Miller Bros.' Circus is getting okay business on its tour of Wisconsin. Org's biz here Thursmatinee and three-quarter at night. but Saturday (27) in Cumberland, it registered two full ones. New Richmond gave with a three-quarter matince and a full one at night Friday (26).

Playing River Falls Thursday (25) the show registered a three-quarter matinee and capacity at night.

Stillwater, Minn., played Wednesday (24), gave with a light matinee but a full one at night.

### **6 Shows Have Eyes On Georgia Stands**

ATLANTA, Sept. 3 .- Dales Bros.' Circus led an invasion of Georgia this week that may culminate in an interesting circus battle. No less than six outdoor circuses and one indoor show have agents in the field.

Dales played Toccoa, Gainesville, Canton and Cedartown before moving into Alabama and Mississippi and did satisfactory business, according back later to play South Georgia. The Ringling-Barnum show has

booked Atlanta for a November date not yet announced, and will play two other Georgia spots.

Beatty and King Bros. all intend to, Circus Friday (26), org getting less play large and small towns in the than one good house in two perform-State, according to present plans, ances.

## **King Finds Biz** In N. D. Light

RUGBY, N. D., Sept. 3 .- Back in the United States after a highly successful tour of Canada, King Bros.' Circus, hitting North Dakola spots around harvest time, is finding business much lighter than that recorded in Canada.

Org registered only a half-house at the matinee here Saturday (27) and only slightly better at night. Ringling-Barnum had played Minot, just a short distance from here, a week earlier, and most Rugby residents made the trip to see the Big One.

In Boltineau Friday (26), King registered a three-quarter matinee and capacity at night, while at Rolla the day before attendance was light at both shows. Show gave only one performance in Langdon Wednesday (24), this at night, and business was light.

On its last stand in Canada, at Morden, Man., Monday (22), the King org registered two straws.

Beatty Biz N. G. at Lamar

LAMAR, Mo., Sept. 3 .- This city Cole Bros., Dailey Bros., Clyde proved a blooper for the Clyde Beatty

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James L. Harshman, Eastern vicepresident of the Circus Fans Association of America, announces that be held in Philadelphia October 15 a late train arrival. and 16. Headquarters will be at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel. meeting will be held on the Hamid-Morton Circus, which will show in hours en route from Hamilton, Ont., he arena.

Propertymen get reputations for thrift because they don't have to draw or spend heir saiarles.

Frank Martin Thompson and Conchita Elizabeth Morales, performers n Biller Bros.' Circus, applied for a marriage license August 30 in Henlerson, N. C.

One can never tell whether it took clever arain work to lay out a season's route mtil it has been played.

Clifford A. Benzing, a member of he Circus Fans' Association, of lamilton, O., is in Fort Hamilton lospital there, convalescing from an peration performed August 20. . . red W. Schlotzhauer, of Oquawka, II., also a CFA member, is again a atient in the Burlington, Ia., hosital, after having spent some time a the University Hospital, Iowa ity, Ia. His condition has improved onsiderably recently, it is reported.

History of factionalism in circus bis seems show that troupers don't have to like ach other to stick together.

Slim Collins, clown, again will be with the Hamid-Morton Circus for all and spring dates. . . . George and irginia Hanlon have returned to See Under the Marquee on page 92)

## Late Train Arrivals Snafu **Dailey; Org Blows One Date**

ADRIAN, Mich., Sept. 3 .- Dailey | tour for a series of engagements in Bros.' Circus, scheduled here Wednes- the United States. an Eastern sectional meeting will day (31), blew its date because of

> The Show was scheduled there Tuesday (30). The train was delayed four and org did not arrive until noon. As a result, the matinee did not start until 4 p.m. By that time the crowd on hand had dwindled and only a half-house caught the matinee. At big to pass thru the railway tunnel night, however, it was a straw, with customers seated on canvas around the track. Show officials said it was the biggest single crowd of the season so far.

A further delay was encountered in Windsor, Ont., because of custom officials. Show train didn't arrive in Detroit until 1:10 p.m., at which time

show officials announced no effort would be made to play Adrian but that the show would proceed to Ottawa.

It was a regular three-ring circus in Detroit, despite the fact Detroit wasn't on the Dailey schedule. Here, in part, is what Fran Murray, Detroit Free Press staffer, wrote about itz

circus headed from a Canadian day."

"First a car jumped the rails near Chatham, Ont., and the show train It all started in Chatham, Ont. was delayed for hours. Then immigration officers jumped on the train and bigger troubles started. They combed out 29 stowaways-Canadian roustabouts with the circus-from various hiding places.

"The show had to abandon one of its cars in Canada because it was too under the Detroit River. The train next developed a broken air hose, then a flat wheel.

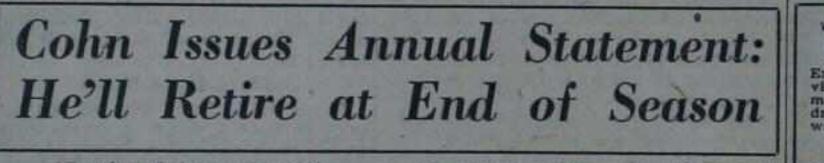
"These were minor compared to a bigger mishap. One of the elephants collapsed. Probably from nervous exhaustion brought on by all the excitement. Veterinarians were getting the elephant on its feet when trouble developed over a Brahma bull, which lacked a health certificate to show it was inoculated against tuberculosis. The bull was dragged away to the animal industry department's stockyards.

"At a late hour the show was ready to go on-without the Brahma bull and 29 roustabouts. If nothing more developed, circus officials said they "Troubles broke out all over as the hoped to be back in business the next



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(Continued from page 53) see that there must be an easlier way to make a living, so he quit and went to work for George W. Hall as a pop-

"I wasn't going out this year," Butch says, "but Ben (Ben Davenport, owner of the Dailey show) and a few more talked me into it. But this is positively my last year; I've earned a rest. I'm 75 years old." Butch says he has no special hobbies other than visiting other shows and "talking with the folks," but he is a clubman, holding memberships in the Shrine, Rotary and Elks. He is a life member of the last named. In all those 43 years in circus business, Butch never had a desire to own a show. "I've been offered partnerships in various shows," he said, "but I never wanted a circus."



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"That job I liked," Butch recalls, "I stayed with it until Hall leased the show to Orrin Bros. in Mexico." That was the year the Spanish American war broke out and Butch hit for home to join the army. But before he could get everything straightened out and in uniform the war ended.

#### Worked for Dad

For three years Butch remained in Knoxville working for his dad. Then the road beckoned again and Butch traveled to Chicago and joined W. H. Harris's Nickel Plate Shows as a candy butcher.

Time and dates have little meaning for the Dailey treasurer and he can't recall how long he remained on that job. He moved from one show to another, working as a butcher on Smith Bros.' Circus, owned by Frank Smith; Hagenbeck-Wallace, the old B. E. Wallace Circus, when Charles Corey was manager and R. M. Harvey, present Cole Bros.' Circus general agent, was general agent; Barnum & Bailey and 101 Ranch, to mention a few.

For about nine years Butch was off the road again. During that time he managed the offices in Shreveport, La., and Denver for the Van Noy News Company. This org handled concessions and newspapers on trains and Butch did his share of the butchering. Later he was with the Union News Company, Ashland, Ky,

The reason he quit show business that time, in 1917, was because he wanted to marry and figured he ought to settle down in one place. One daughter, Irene, now Mrs. Eugene Cox, Akron, was born to the union. When his daughter was about nine

years old, Butch found himself back in show business. This time it was as legal adjuster with the Yankee-Robinson Circus. Later he was assistant legal adjuster on the Hagenbeck-Wallace show and still later legal adjuster with Russell Bros.

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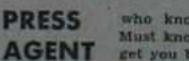
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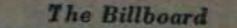
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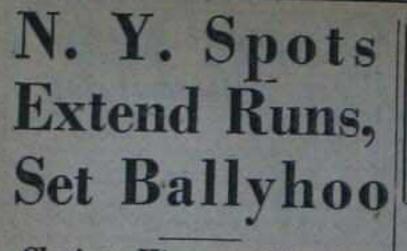
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### **Closings Hinge on Weather**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - While Coney Island's season will fade out without its usual Mardi Gras and altho no official closing date has been set for that resort, most of the amusement parks in this area are extending their season until mid-September and all will offer some form of whoopee during the final week. 'Tilyou's Steeplechase Park, the only bona fide amusement park left in Coney Island, is set to close Sunday, September 11, but most of the independent rides, attractions and concessions on the island will operate week-ends, after Labor Day, as long as weather is favorable.

Rockaway's Playland at Rockaway Beach will continue daily operation thru next Sunday, September 11, instead of closing Labor Day night, and will then operate week-ends as long as weather and business warrant. A masquerade contest has been scheduled for Thursday (8), to highlight the added week. A recent sweater girl contest at this park drew 15,000 and netted heavy picture coverage in the metropolitan dailies.

Henry Guenther's Olympic Park, Irvington, N. J., also will extend its season thru September 11 and will put on a Ladies' Day Thursday (9) of the closing week, with all women offered admission to the park and all rides at no charge excepting payment of federal taxes. This will be the third such treat for the fems, the first offered last week Friday (26) being so successful that it was ville House on one side, a big birthrepeated yesterday, with



PARKS-RESORTS-POOLS

Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

(Editor's Note: Bill de L'horbe Jr., sales manager for National Amusement Device Company, Dayton, O., recently completed an extended tour, visiting various parks thruout the country. His letter to The Billboard follows.) "I have just completed an extensive tour thru the Southwest, visiting many outstanding parks. Altho I found business crippled by polio, bad weather and decreased spending, the spirit of park operators is high, their optimism about the future more than heartening and their funspots holding their own.

"I found equipment buying better a ride or two. than expected. One good reason for this is the increased interest in Kiddielands. Many ops are installing Park in Oklahoma City. For last or enlarging their Kiddielands. While three or four years, Roy has been abattendance is down in many instances, many park men have been able to keep their gross on a par with last year by installing new equipment and putting emphasis on new promotions.

"Harry Batt, for instance, has inaugurated a neighborhood night each week at Pontchartrain Beach, New Orleans. With the addition of one or two\*more promotions, he has been able to increase attendance. Batt of big things in mind for their spot reports that while business is down in many of his departments, such as food, beverages, major rides etc., the over-all volume has increased, thanks to the addition of his Kiddieland.

### Novel Entrance

"The entrance to Batt's Kiddieland is second to none. Built with a third dimensional effect, it has a Toonerday cake, supported by candles, on the other and a tall clown in the cen-Olympic Park has contracted Fred ter. People do not enter thru the Kiddieland entrance sign, which is approximately 40 feet long, as this area is devoted to landscaping with an artistic fenced-in enclosure, in which there are some Toonerville men built in the flower gardens. Actual entrance to the Kiddleland, which is signified by candy canes in cross positions on either side of the entrance, is thru either side of the arch.

trees, was doing business.

"Also in St. Louis I called on David Litvag who has a kiddle layout worth seeing. Dave, altho only in his first year in the business, is highly enthused by the acceptance of the park. He reports he and his associates are planning extensive additions and improvements for next year.

#### Morrison Plans Trip

"In Springfield, Mo., I found W. W. (Bill) Morrison, owner of the rides in Doling Park, planning a visit to State Fair Park, Dallas. Morrison plans to extend his Miniature Train track next year and also plans to add

"It's always a pleasure to visit Roy and Marvin Staton at Spring Lake sent from the outdoor covention in Chicago because of ill health. Roy reports he hopes to attend at least one day this year. Marvin is in active charge of the park but Roy makes daily visits and continues to participate in all plans.

Frank Rush Jr., and his mother, operators of Craterville Park, Cache, Okla., reported their business on a par with last year. They have plenty next year.

#### It's a Dude Ranch

"Craterville Park is a bit unusual, in that it is a dude ranch of many acres, with cabins, a Penny Arcade, Merry-Go-Round, skating rink, swimming facilities, etc. During the park will get a Plymouth car and a spring, high school classes travel many miles to spend three or four days at Craterville. In the late summer and early fall, football teams spend several weeks in training. Special dormitory buildings and a cafeteria are maintained for their convenience. Always a bonanza day at Craterville is Easter Sunday, when many thousands stop in the park after Sunrise Services in the Mountain Shrine near by, "One of the finest Kiddieland and which has been blamed for the slump amusement operations may be found in attendance at beach resorts and in Wichita, Kan. Called The Sports amusement parks in the New York Center, the operation is owned by area, is apparently wearing off, as the four Consolver brothers, with crowds at all spots over the past George as president and Luther and week-end were almost normal. Newton actively engaged in the management. Louis is a golf pro. The the biggest gains, with attendance spot has two miniature golf courses, Sunday (28) estimated at 900,000, a golf driving range and a Kiddle- agains 650,000 the preceding Sunland. Winding pools course their day. Coney Island reported a turnout way thru all the installations, with of 850,000 Sunday (28), as compared shores built of rocks and flower beds with 750,000 the previous week. (See Tour of Southwest, opp. page)

### September 10, 1949

## Cut Rates, Top **Promotion Set For Palisades**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 - Palisade Park, across the Hudson from uptown Manhattan, is winding up it season with two weeks of cut prices special events and giveaways, which will precede its closing date, Sunday September 18.

Following the Labor Day week-enthe big funspot will stage the selection of finalists in the 11th annual Mrs. America beauty contest promoted by the park's drum beater Bert Nevins. Picking out the glamour fems, who will get a whack at the title at Asbury Park, N. J., September 10-11, will require three nights, Tuesday (6) Wednesday (7) and Thursday (8).

#### **Contest Judges**

As usual, Nevins and Jack and Irving Rosenthal, owners of the park, have coralled a bevy of radio, cabaret and movie personalities to act as judges of the contest. Among those slated to ogle the glamour gals are Maggi McNellis, Freddlie Batholomew, Murray Kor man, Helen Fraser, Eddie Senz, Jack Magman, Harry Richman, Helen Jepson, Alice Burroughs, Adele Hunt Tony Lane, Hal Tunis and Max Cole

Beginning Tuesday (6) all rides will be 5 cents in the afternoon, weekdays, and 10 cents in the evenings and all day Saturday and Sunday. On Tuesday, September 13, a completely furnished \$15,000 Lustron house or-if winner prefers it-\$10,-000 in cash will go to holder of the lucky ticket, while on Thursday, September 15, a lucky patron of the television set.

equal success.

Murray, of the International Fireworks Company, for its annual Labor Day display of fireworks, which will take place Monday night (5) at the close of the open-air circus performance. Line-up of acts currently performing at the park has Senora Flordelina, wire walker; Morris and Morris, high perch; Lee Marks, comedy juggler, and the Waldorf. Brothers and their boxing bear.

Palisades Amusement Park, Cliffside, N. J., has extended its season thru September 18 and will stage a series of special events for the two weeks following Labor Day, starting off with the elimination rounds in Bert Nevin's Mrs. America beauty contest, which will be held Tuesday (6), Wednesday (7) and Thursday (8) nights. The Kimris, novelty nerial act, are the current free attraction.

J. J. Sartori, Coney **Op**, Dies at Age 67

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Joseph J. Sartori, 67, retired restaurateur of Brooklyn and a large property owner in Coney Island, died at his home in Brooklyn August 27.

Sartori formerly operated one of Brooklyn's popular eateries, Joe's Restaurant, on Nevins Street, and was interested in a second establishment of the same name in the Borough Hall section of Brooklyn'as well as a third one, on the Bowery in Coney Island.

At one time he was part-owner of the Half Moon Hotel, Coney Island's biggest and most modern hotel, which recently was transformed into a hospital. Sartori lead a movement to glamorize the rundown resort, which unfortunately failed to make appreciable headway.

Survived by his widow, Teresa Magiolo Sartori, Services were held from Fairchild Funeral Chapel, weeks longer for week-end operations convention for 1951, two for 1952 at night more than 10,000 were pres-Brooklyn, August 29.

"In St. Louis I visited with Adrian Ketchum. Adrian and Eddie Pratt took me on a tour of the park, suffering-from the polio scare and the heat of the day. But even in midafternoon, Kiddieland, with plenty of shade

**Cold and Rain Hit** 

**Detroit Funspots;** 

**Bob-Lo Shutters** 

DETROIT, Sept. 3.-Cold and rain hit week-end business (August 27-28) at Detroit funspots, Saturday (27) was chilly and Sunday it rained.

The polio scare has eased. Local health authorities announced schools will open on schedule. This announcement is expected to aid funspots, giving them a last-minute rush by the small fry before school starts.

First park in the Detroit area to shutter for the season is Bob-Lo. which closes Monday (12). Spot wound up the season with a 5 to 10 per cent increase in attendance. On August 26 Bob-Lo was host to 2,000 underprivileged youngsters. Event was sponsored by Mayor Eugene I Van Antwerp.

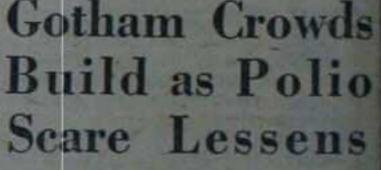
Walled Lake officials announce that their funspot will continue operation Labor Day holiday. Most other parks will stay open from one to three only.

## **Atlantic City Post** - Season **Outlook Lush**

ATLANTIC CITY, Sept. 3 .- Altho the season is entering its final lap, prospects for post-season business are bright in the face of a bumper crop of conventions booked for the resort. Four big meets in September are skedded to be attended by about 12.000 persons. The annual Miss America beauty pageant will take Miss Minnesota Contest place the week after Labor Day.

For the three-month period from September 10 to December 10, nine for beachfront hotels.

which Convention Bureau Manager charge of the contest, announced this at least one week-end following the Albert H. Skean describes as "ter- week. rific," the resort has already booked 23 conventions. Also set are one the afternoon during the pageant and and one for 1953.



NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Polio scare,

Rockaway Beach registered one of Swanky Jones Beach hosted 81,000 Sunday and Jacob Riis Park drew 50,000, a hefty increase over the 10,000 at that swim spot the preceding Sunday.

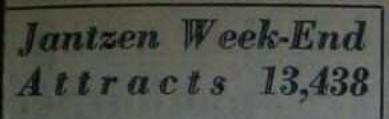
Final fireworks display of the senson at Coney Island Tuesday (30) drew 450,000. Coney Island's Chamber of Commerce, which sponsored the pyro displays put on by Fred Murray, of International Fireworks Company, reports that 10 weekly shows put on this summer drew more than 4,000,000 kibitzers.

Rockaway Beach's regular Wednesday night (31) display of fireworks, sponsored by Rockaway's Playland, was washed out by rains.

## Sets Mark at Excelsior

EXCELSIOR, Minn., Sept. 3 .- The big conventions are slated for Con- Miss Minnesota Contest, won this vention Hall. In addition, scores of year by Gloria Yvonne Burkhart, set other smaller meets are scheduled a new attendance record for the event at Excelsior Park, August 21, Rudy Preparing for the 1950 season, Shogran, public relations director in

> More than 5,000 were on hand in ent for tise final voting.



PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 3.-Jantzen Beach Park here pulled 13,438 perions for the August 20-21 week-end. General Manager R. W. Owlsey reported, Attendance was 7,290 Saturcoom attendance for the two days, with Woody Herman's ork on tap, anged from 75 cents to \$1.50.

an Garber's ork, in the ballroom, the State fair. Irew 2,096 for the two days. Admish vas \$1.75 for modern and 75 cents or old-time dances.

Charlie Barnet's ork is scheduled his week-end.

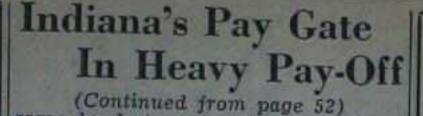
### **TOUR OF SOUTHWEST**

(Continued from opp. page) dding to the beauty. Features of he park and Kiddieland are an anient, yet elaborate, popcorn wagon, Kiddie Roller Coaster, Allan Herchell Merry-Go-Round and Auto ide, a Traver horse and pony cart ide, a Mangles Roto Whip, an Eli liddie Ferris Wheel and a Dark ide for kids.

### Figure Eight Still Works

"The old Figure Eight Coaster, uilt by Ingersoll many years ago, still in action at Galveston, Tex., here business is generally off from st year. Stuart Beach Kiddieland, iso in Galveston, in its second year operation, reported business holdg with last year.

"In San Antonio, Jimmy Johnson onderful bunting and fishing in exas!"



same day last year, and today chalked up excellent business. As a result, the C. & W. org had piled up a gross exceeding that of last year as it faced the always big Sunday.

The polio scare, which several iay (20) and 6,148 Sunday (21), Ball- weeks ago had given birth to a threat that the fair would be canceled, abated before the opening. Polio, as was 2,363. Prices in the ballroom a result, will have little effect upon the final outcome, according to of-The previous week-end, August ficials, Some go so far as to point 3-14, attendance hit 12,990. Satur- out that the earlier cancellation of lay (13) showed 4,624 going thru the some Indiana fairs due to polio served ate, with Sunday's attendance 8,366. to whet Hoosier appetites to attend

### Use New Parking System

One of the features of the fair this year is the operation of a new parking lot, a 24-acre tract some four blocks from the fairgrounds. Six busses were placed in use to shuttle patrons from the parking lot to the fair and, after three days of operation, the fair management declared the system a success.

Among visitors the first few days of the fair was Henry J. White, manager of the Illinois State Fair, Springfield.

## **0 & J. Jam CNE Grandstand**, Head for Record 400G Gross

(Continued form page 52) tines by Robert Sidney make for a visual treat. Joseph Litau capably directs the huge orchestra. William Johnson is stage manager.

#### Single Animal Act

Palenberg's Bears, only animal act in the two-and-one-half-hour opening night presentation, were squeezed, rather than worked into the production, due to a late arrival. Nevertheless, and despite their tailend appearance before a tuckered audience, the bear act won considerable favor from the crowd, an indication, perhaps, that more acts of this type, as well as outstanding novelties, might enliven the proceedings.

Dancing specialties are capably handled by the Dunhills, Berry Brothers, Wallace Siebert and Gloria Gilbert, the last named a favorite with the crowd by virtue of a spectacular toe routine.

Matinee Program

The afternoon program features 26

### ISLAND, N. Y. CONEY By UNO\_

gust 27-28) of ideal weather, attend- ticket seller, is now representing ances were off in the a.m. but got G. Morrissey and G. Coggins, execs better after sundown. Ops continue to blame polio publicity and scarcity of spending lucre.

The start toward building a \$4,000,000 aquarium as a successor xuded about the weather and the to the old New York Aquarium is coming up this fall, according to Tirza's ma, held open house at the

Despite another week-end (Au-| Coney 20 years ago as a talker and of Midway Novelty Company, supplying most concessions with plastic premium figures. . . . Harry Nelson with son, Lester, and George Terra Sr. and Jr., shift to Mineola Fair September 13 with high and baseball strikers. . . . Daisy Duval, Park Commissioner Robert Moses and Wine Bath show August 28 to cele-Fairchild Osborn, prexy of the New brate a birthday anniversary. New talker is Glenn Ireton. . . . Policeman Joe Gonzales is celebrating his 18th year guarding the Bowery beat and Rube Hanson, his teammate, his 16th. . . . Sid and Lou Daiell with electric ring toss and balloon games will be conspicuous at the Allentown, Pa., and Trenton, N. J., fairs. . . . Harold Nisnoff, official Steeplechase photog, and Carolyn R. Williams, Utica, N. Y., were feted August 26, the day they announced their engagement, . . . Nick Kyrimes shed crutches and the plaster cast that encased his leg that was hurt in a recent plane crash. . . . One Islander with no beefs about biz is Al Shaw, of the two Howard Johnson eateries, particularly the Surf Avenue branch, which, he says, has raked in immense returns, . . Hughie Flaherty chalked up his fifth year as ticket seller at the Scooter on Surf and West Eighth.

top circus and novelty acts inked thru the George A, Hamid office, They are: Henry's Trained Dogs; Plutocrats, Dalmatian dog act; Josh's Monkeys and Chimp; Marcus Troupe, club and hoop juggling; Shirley Lavalle, Jean Dawn and Florence Lin Howe, contortionists; Smetona and Don Francisco, slack wire; Robinson's Elephants; Pia and Alexandria, loopthe-loop; the Norbertys, aerialists; Kitchen's Midget Mules, Liberty; Kitchen's menage horse act; Four Cantons, Chinese acrobats; Sorelle Saltons and Company, balancing and tumbling; Bradfords, teeterboard; Baranek Sisters and the Saranoff Troupe, perch acts; Kitchen's Liberty horses; Ferdinand the Bull; Von Schmidts' Tony, trained horse; Flying Dobritsch; Glens, rolling globes; Allaine and Allain, equilibrists, and Peaches and Her Aerial Sky Ballet.



### HIO STATE FAIR

(Continued from page 52) ampoline act; Acevedo Troupe, ght wire; the Yacopi Troupe, acroatic-teeterboard; Sangor, Ross and ndre, comics; Captain Pickard and is trained seals; the Four Marvels, agglers; the Two Mirths, knockbout comedy; Russell and Jeanne, ovelty dance team, and Winifred olleano, trap act.

Gooding Amusement Company reorted its midway business held ose to '48.

Weather thruout was good, exepting for showers which did little arm.



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York Zoological Society. Marine spectacle, it is estimated, will take two years to complete. Structure will be located between West Fifth and West Eighth along the Boardwalk on the eastern end. Land cost to the city is \$8,000,000. Building will be more than 1,100 feet long and made of stainless steel, chromium and plate glass. Two hundred and fifty tanks will contain 1,250,-000 gallons of water. Christopher Coates, head of the old aquarium and now curator of the Bronx Zoo, will be the boss of the new aquarium. In the plans there is also an overhead ramp leading from the subway station to the building.

Among promotions certain for 1950 are a drive-in theater by the Jackmans, George and Erwin, located on the site of Luna Park's interior, with entrances on Surf and West 12th; an open-air garden by the Shaw Brothers where now is a vacant lot on Henderson's Walk between Surf and the Bowery; a steel building to house an attraction not yet determined by Morris Goldberg and Jack Meers to replace their golf course on the Bowery front of Kyrimes' ride park; a parcel-checking structure together with a larger rest building and a large luncheonette by James Kyrimes at his Bowery ride park, and a bandstand plus name orks and vaude acts on the end of Steeplechase Pier.

Funeral services, August 24, for Charles L. Feltman, Coney restaurateur who died August 23, was at-tended by many ops. Feltman; his brother, Alfred, and their father, conducted Feltman's Park and Restaurant from 1871 to 1946. . . . Another recent passing of a noted Coney celeb was that of Joseph Sartori, who operated three eateries, one on Coney and two in Brooklyn under the name of Joe's Restaurant. Island establishment was a Bowery landmark for over 25 years. At one time Sartori was part owner of the Half Moon Hotel. Burial was on August 29.

John McCormack, who started on

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ST. PAUL HEADS FOR RECOR

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Gate First Six Days Runs Ahead of Peak '47, Tho Rain, Cold, Polio Hit Attendance

Receipts From Midway, Gate, Stand Close to '48 Total

ST. PAUL, Sept. 3 .- Overcoming rain most of Tuesday (30), extreme cold weather Wednesday (31), and a polio scare scattered thruout the State, Minnesota State Fair set a record-breaking attendance pace thru Thursday (1), the sixth day of its 10-day run. Holding the same gait thru the Labor Day finish, the fair will top the 902,693 record-breaking attendance set in 1947.

Day by day attendance thru Thursday, as compared with '47 and '48, follows:

	1949
Saturday	75,711
Sunday	125,337
Monday	56,270
Tuesday	58,980
Wednesday	62,464
Thursday	81,287
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458,630 458.506 The opening week-end showed a sharp increase over the past two years, The polio scare hit Monday (29), kids' day, and weather pruned Tuesday and

Wednesday's totals under both previous years. Wednesday's weather was so cold that patrons took to overcoats. Thursday, however, weather warmed, and the record-breaking turnout responded. An indication that polio is keeping many moppets from the grounds is that the State thus far this year has had 914 such cases reported, with 52 deaths.

Receipts Close to '48



1948

60,143

69.571

64,659

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110,600

## Still Flying!

LIMA, O., Sept. 3.-Much excitement prevailed here at the outset of this city's annual Allen County Fair, August 23-27, when Bill Dunn and Helen Siegrist, of the Charles Siegrist Troupe, struck oil while putting up the rigging for their act.

The gusher sprayed the rigging and everyone around it but the disappointment came when they discovered they had driven a stake thru an eight-inch oil pipe, the property of the Buckeye Oil Company. The Siegrists are still flying for a living.



### day (1) at Champlain Valley Exposition. Opening day, Monday (29), was totally lost to rain which continued thruout the day and left some

## **Boff Bill May Boost Marks** At Reading

September 10, 1949

### **Big Grandstand Advance**

READING, Pa., Sept. 3 .- Jimmy Dorsey's ork, the U. S. Air Force band, "Mrs. America of 1949," and Johnny Olsen, radio giveaway emsee, are among attractions booked for the Reading Fair which opens an eight-clay run Sunday (11).

As in the past, the fair will sponsor the only Grand Circuit horse racing in Pennsylvania. The over-all purse awards of \$50,400 are believed to be the largest ever offered at a fair in the Keystone State.

Joie Chitwood and his Auto Daredevils will supply the racetrack entertainment on the opening Sunday afternoon, and Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers will move into the fair Saturday afternoon (17). AAA big car auto races, directed by Sam Nunis, and featuring Indianapolis winner, Bill Holland, will be presented on closing Sunday afternoon (18). Chitwood, Nunis and Holland all make their home in this city.

#### - Night Shows Set

Nightly stage entertainment will be augmented on opening Sunday and Monday by Dorsey and his ork and the Air Force band. The Monday night show will also include two hillbilly units. Shorty Long and the Sante Fe Rangers and the Georgia Crackers, The "Miss Reading Fair" finals will be held Saturday night. Beginning Monday and continuing thru Saturday, the nightly stage bill will feature George A. Hamid's Roxyettes revue and these supporting acts: Athos and Company; Paul and Paulette, the Flying Dobritches, Loof Rios, Therons, Pia and Alexander, Marcus Troupe, Linon, Whitaker Eros., Josh Kitchen and his trained animals and Leonard Gautier's Ericklayers. Except for Sunday a fireworks display will conclude each night's show in front of the grandstand, Music will be furnished by the Reading Fair under direction of George Band Haller.

were running close to '48, according Saturday (28), to double its attendto Ray Lee, fair secretary. Figures compiled thru that night showed receipts from outside gates, carnival and grandstand to be about \$5,000 off from those of 1948 at the same point. As of midnight the receipts were \$225,064, as compared to \$230,371 in 1948. Harry Frost, concession superintendent, reported that concession sales are at an all-time high, with 300 concessions and 300 exhibits on the grounds.

Grandstand attendance figures compiled thru Tuesday (30) showed a total of 62,053, as compared with 53,610 in 1948. Night grandstand business, however, was off for the same period, with 39,533 for four night performances, as against 45,-869 last year.

Approximately half the day grandstand attendance was racked up Saturday and Sunday by AAA-sanctioned auto races, Doug Baldwin, assistant fair secretary, pointed out. These events, first under the AAA here, were staged by Sam Nunis. Harness horse races Monday thru Wednesday did little business.

Chitwood Shows to Capacity A sellout of the 25,000-capacity grandstand was registered Thursday (See St. Paul Gate on page 68)

### Crowds Off, Spending follow: **Tight at Malone**, N.Y.

MALONE, N. Y., Sept. 3.-According to H. B. Kelly, president and secretary of the Franklin County Agricultural Society, attendance at the 99th annual Franklin County Fair, which closed Saturday (27), was lighter than last year.

The slump in attendance was attributed to tightening up on spending, Concessionaires on the midway also reported a considerable drop in business, altho the O. C. Buck Exposition Shows stated that rides and shows did okay, with grosses on some days running higher than those of last year.

ance, both on the grounds and in the fairgrounds.

Cetlin & Wilson Shows held down the midway, giving the fair its biggest ride and show set-up in its history. Jack Raum's Cavalcade of Stars. presented in front of the grandstand. yielded a substantial profit to the fair. Stepped up publicity, plus interest sparked by the management, were other factors in the heavy attendance. Webster H. Gansser is fair secretary. The annual was revived last year after a wartime lapse.

portions of the grounds as much as a foot under water. On Thursday a weather bureau forecast of strong winds resulted in many prospective patrons remaining away.

The 28th annual exhibition was framed to attract and handle the largest crowds in its history. Free exhibits were more numerous than in the past. Strong grandstand features included a George A. Hamid night revue, Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers and five days of harness racing. World of Mirth Shows were on the midway.

Favorable, weather thru today's (See Rain Tumbles on page 68)

> Johnny Olsen show will be The (See Reading Bill on page 92)

## **CNE** Gate Ahead of Record '48 Total at Half-Way Mark Cortland Clicks;

TORONTO, Sept. 3. - Despite ics are expected to gross a record chilly weather, plus some rain which \$400,000. Jack Kochman's Hell Drivcaused the cancellation of a night ers and a program of George A. show for the first time in 23 years, Hamid acts also have played to huge the Canadian National Exhibition audiences in front of the 22,000-seat (CNE) had topped last year's attendance figures by over 11,000 as of yesterday (2), the half-way mark of its skedded 14-day run.

Comparative attendance figures

	1949	1948
Friday (26)	103,000	105,500
Saturday (27)	264,000	256,500
Monday (29)	197,500	202,500
Tuesday (30)	178,000	164,000
Wednesday (31)	187.500	196,500
Thursday (1)	161,500	174,000

Total 1,111,500 1,100,000 A continued increase in attendance will almost surely result in greater over-all revenue. To date the midway is the only major segment reporting a decline in revenue, but operators Patty and Frank Conklin are confident that the gross will surge ahead with better weather.

#### Grandstand Clicks

The Olsen and Johnson night grandstand show is sold out except for a few rush seats held for sale prior to each performance. The comgrandstand.

Rain washed out the Olsen and Johnson show Wednesday night (31) as it heads into today's closing sesafter a capacity audience had viewed about two hours of entertainment, including about 40 minutes of effort on the part of the comics. General Man- tabbed on some occasions, to chalk ager Elwood Hughes informed the up new records. audience that a special performance would be given Tuesday (13), the Wirth's Swing Out the News Revue, day after the official closing of the featuring the Wayne Marlin Trio, fair, and that all ticket stubs would be honored.

Wednesday afternoon the waterfront show had to be cancelled because of the high waves on Lake Ontario.

Rain hampered the turnout Montay (29), Children's Day, Promotion of attendance for this day included the distribution of 500,000 free tickets to school children.

Last year the CNE drew 2,612,000 people, about a quarter of a million above the previous record.

Wirth Jams 'Em

CORTLAND, N. Y., Sept. 3 .- The Cortland County Fair, which opened a week's run here last Monday (29), is clicking at a record-breaking pace sions.

The grandstand has been registering sellout biz, with turnaways being

Featured night show fare is Frank John Panter Singers, Barrett and Allen, Bobby Dae and Babs, Georgina Dieter, Salaci's Puppets, Shyretto Trio, Capt. Heyer and Starless Night, the Gaudsmith Brothers, Packs' Baby Elephants, Johnson and Owen, and Greg Talbot, emsee. The Spring Garden Band furnished the music.

The special concert of the Army Air Force Band Thursday (1) was broadcast from in front of the grandstand.

The James E. Strates Shows were on the midway.

The Billboard

DAVI RSEDA PROSTANCONS

MOINES NEARS '48 DRA

Ottawa Has Record 385,890; **Execs See Need for Expansion** 

OTTAWA, Sept. 3 .- Despite rain | stand Follies, featured night enteron three days, the Central Canada tainment fare, played to 45,941 paid Exhibition, which closed a six-day run here Saturday (27), drew a record-breaking 385,890 paid admissions. easily topped the record 48,921 The previous mark, set last year, was 349,750. Rain considerably hampered activities Tuesday night (23) and again on Saturday. A thunderstorm and cloudburst Friday night (26) resulted in the only falling off in daily attendance. Daily comparison figures follow:

	1949	1948
Monday	62,895	58.06
Tuesday	45,472	44.20
Wednesday	80,961	62,14
Thursday	72,209	56,34
Friday	43:375	56.57
Saturday	80,978	72,42
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385,890 349,750 With this year's increase of 36,140 following the 25,000 jump registered last year, the directors met Saturday to consider the need of future expansion. Except for bad weather, it was felt that the pre-opening prediction of a 400,000 gate would have materialized. The huge 80,000-plus crowds Wednesday and Saturday taxed the capacity of spacious Landsdown Park and necessitated closing the gates in the interests of public safety.

### Intensive Promotion

Crowds are coming to the exhibition from an ever-widening area, due principally to intensive promotional efforts under the direction of H. H. McElroy, secretary-manager. Tickets 108th annual Saratoga County Fair. are on sale in every town and hamlet that could possibly account for a few paid admissions. The giveaway of three automobiles tonight, and other prizes totaling \$7,000 on closing night stimulated the terrific closing day attendance in the face of rain. The prizes also accounted for the record advance sale since they were limited to the purchasers of tickets prior to opening. Altho forced to buck rain on three occasions, George A. Hamid's Grand-

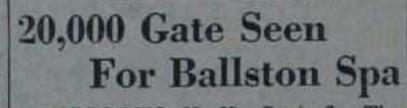
admissions. Consensus is that with good weather the show would have chalked up last year.

#### Hamid Show Licks Rain

The Hamid revue, featuring changing sets and a gold rush theme and produced by Leon Leonidoff, Radio City Music Hall producer, won con-" siderable favor. Hamid was on hand personally for the early showings and Tuesday night managed to engineer the presentation of nearly the entire production despite driving rain. Performers co-operated and the line went on in slickers and bare footed to go thru their routines on a sawdust strewn mucky stage. The 6,500 paying customers on hand were thoroly satisfied.

With Tuesday night lost to rain, the Tommy Dorsey ork played to a total of 13,525 paid admissions. Admission to the dancing area was 25 cents with each dance costing an additional 25 cents. Dorsey also gave a daily, free afternoon concert.

President D. Roy Campbell said that plans call for the expansion and refurbishing of plant facilities as soon as possible.





The following corrections and additions to the List of Fair Dates were received during the week ended ill6oan September 2.

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partment, The Billboard, 2160 Patterson SL., Cincinnall 22, O. See each issue of The Billboard for corrections and additions.

#### KENTUCKY

Providence-Webster Co. Free Fair, Sept. 20-24. J. L. Banjamin.

#### NORTH CAROLINA

Enfield-Firemen's Agri. Fair. Sept. 26-Oct. 1. George R. Ivey.

Goldsboro-Wayne Co. Fair. Oct. 24-29. W. C. Denmark.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA

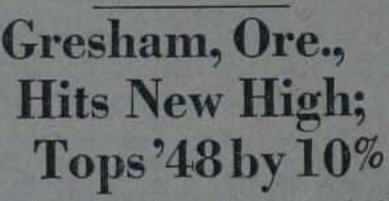
McCormick-McCormick Co. Fair. Oct; 10-15. J. A. Sibert.

Pageland-Chesterfield Co, Fair, Sept. 26-Oct.

1. L. E. Blakney. St. George-Dorchester Co. Fair. Oct. 31-Nov. 5; L. R. Brown.

### TEXAS

La Grange-Fayette Co. Fair. Oct. 20-22. J. R Jackson.



GRESHAM, Ore., Sept. 3. - Final attendance figures for the 43d annual Multnomah County Fair will show that the 1948 mark was topped by at least 10 per cent, Manager A. H. Lea predicted today. The fair, which closed here Sunday (28) after a up to closing day was 107,287, as

## Stock Cars Aid In Big Finish

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New feature yields record Thursday turnout, also new high for grandstand grosses

DES MOINES, Sept. 3.-A strong finish enabled the Iowa State Fair (August 24-September 2), which closed here Friday night (2), to almost equal its 1948 attendance. Figures for the final day were unavailable, but official estimates placed the gate at 40,000, which gave the annual a total gate of 472,808, less than 6,000 below last year's total of 478,-668.

Stock car races, staged Thursday afternoon (1), played a big part in hypoing the stretch-run attendance of the fair. The speed events played to 24,304, the largest paid grandstand crowd in the history of the fair. Thursday's outside gate was 60,409, as compared to 47,218 last year.

A day-by-day comparison of attendance with last year follows:

Caral Alexandra Land	1949	1948
Wednesday (24)	5,773	6,896
Thursday (25)	9,537	9,817
Friday (26)	66,163	79,397
Saturday (27)	60,881	78,950
Sunday (28)	87,048	81,509
Monday (29)	39,357	42,665
Tuesday (30)	48,100	45,207
Wednesday (31)	47,520	48,294
Thursday (1)	60,409	47,218
Friday (2)	40,000	35,635
Total	472,808	478,668

(Friday (2) 1949 figure is

Afternoon grandstand attendance

### Watertown Draws 35,000; Tops 1948

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Sept. 3-Karl J. Malady, treasurer of Jefferson County Fair Board, stated that the 127th annual Jefferson County Fair, which closed its five-day run Friday (26), will show a slight increase in attendance over last year's annual, with a total of 35,000 paid admissions.

The only day that showed a lower gate than last year was Thursday (25). The break-down on attendance follows: Monday (22), 4,500; Tuesday (23), 8,000; Wednesday (24), 9,000 Thursday (25), 5,000, and Friday (26) 8,500.

Grandstand shows (George A Hamid acts and Jack Kochman's Hell Drivers), especially at night, drew much heavier attendance than last year, with 1,000 at the closing night's grandstand performance.

### **Night Trotting Races Get** Big Play at Mercer, Pa.

MERCER, Pa., Sept. 3. - Night trotting races, held for the first time this year, proved a winner at Mercer County Fair here, August 23-27.

General fair business was good, officials reported, with the Thursday (25) crowd the largest in the 67year history of this Northwestern Pennsylvania fair.

way, reported business fair to good. Friday's at 25,000.

BALLSTON, N. Y., Sept. 3 .- The which opened Monday night (29), is expected to draw a total attendance of 20,000 before winding up its run

Despite heavy rains Monday (29) which left the grounds in soggy condition, a crowd of 2,500 turned out for the opening night grandstand show put on by Jimmie Lynch and His Auto Daredevils.

Tuesday (30), the first full day of the fair, drew a record Tuesday gate of 2,500. The first half of the Saratoga County annual always has drawn comparatively light attendances, but remaining days of the fair usually bring out the crowds.

Grandstand attractions included the Eagle Band, of Saratoga Springs, and vaude acts. The King Reid Shows were on the midway.

### Lyndonville Tabs Record 25,000 Gate

LYNDONVILLE, Vt., Sept. 3 .- All previous attendance records at the Caledonia County Fair here, August 25-27, were believed smashed when an estimated 25,000 patrons turned out, according to Secretary Leo Hebert. An estimated 3,500 attended Thursday (25), 15,000, Friday (26) and 6,500 on Saturday (27).

Continental Shows provided the midway. Despite the record crowd, show manager Ralph Jacobs reported that spending was light.

### **Big Crowds Attend Kutztown** Annual

KUTZTOWN, Pa., Sept. 3 .- The 70th annual Kutztown Fair closed its six-day run Saturday (27), with good gates chalked up for the final days. While complete attendance figures are not available, the fair opened Monday (22) with a gate o' 7,800. Wednesday attendance was estimated The Caravella Shows, on the mid- at 20,000; Thursday's at 18,500 and

seven-day run, has made a new at- compared to 91,500 last year. The mtendance mark every year for the crease was due largely to the stock past 10 years, Lea said.

after watching the trend of outdoor the fair. show business in other sections. An unpredictable public brought in the estimated 10 per cent increase over last year.

The West Coast Amusement Company, playing the fair for the 16th year, reported concession and ride grosses to be about the same as 1948. According to General Representative E. W. (George) Coe, the org occupied five acres.

Eddie Burke, of San Francisco, booked the vaude grandstand show and acted as emsee. Pari-mutuels were up this year for the six-day race meet, hitting \$54,000 Saturday (27) which is a new record for the 16 years of night races held at the fairgrounds.

The Portland Oregonian and The Journal played the fair up with front page stories and art, Radio stations KEX and KPOJ plugged the event. This was Lea's 22d year as fair manager.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Two New

York annuals, the Monroe County

Fair at Rochester and the Clinton

County Fair at Plattsburg, were

battered by strong winds Thursday

Both events use considerable canvas

Activities at both events were

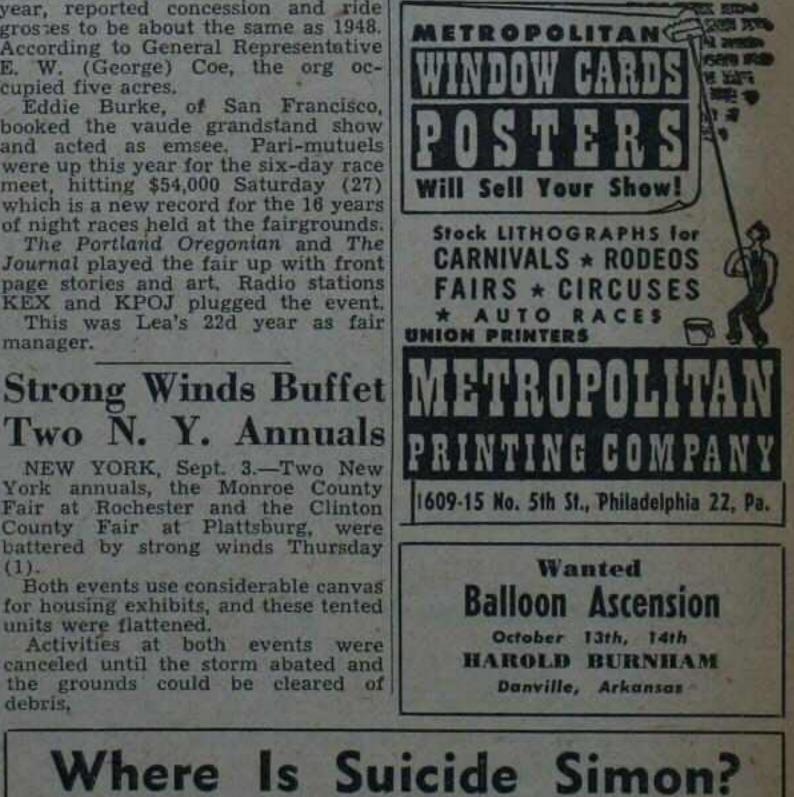
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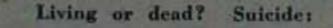
for housing exhibits, and these tented

units were flattened.

### car races, a new feature here that Officials originally set their figures came up with a grandstand gross of at 40 per cent of the 1948 attendance \$17,700, the biggest in the history of Big car auto races also were staged,

with Gaylord White and Al Sweeney putting on those events Friday and Sunday (26 and 28) to good crowds. (See Des Moines Nears on page 92)





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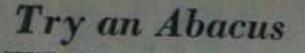
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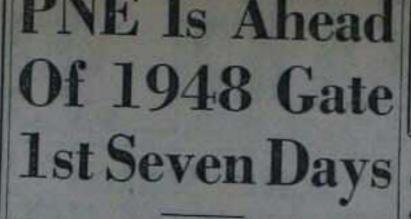
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NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The Flemington (N. J.) Fair was credited with opening day, Tuesday (30), attendance of more than 3,000 persons, by a Trenton, N. J., daily; 6,000, by a New York sheet, and 22,000, by a Newark, N. J. paper.



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### Forum Shows Rack 'Em Up

VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 3 .-Given good weather every day except the opener, Pacific National Exhibition (PNE) here thru Wednesday (31), seventh day of its 11-day run, held a lead of more than 17,000 over the attendance of last year to the same point. Total count thru Wednesday was 380,622, as compared to 363,343.

Comparative day-by-day attendance follows:

TTT A COLOR	1949	1948
Wednesday (24)	43,418	40,784
Inursday (25)	39,262	33,345
Friday (26)	50,335	49,756
Saturday (27	82,415	77,553
Monday (29)	65,255	60,149
Tuesday (30)	50.606	49,756
Wednesday (31)	49,331	52,000

363,343 Show headed by Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy, doing three-a-day, played to near-capacity or capacity in its four-day Forum stand ending Saturday night (27). Forum, which seats 5,000, was scaled at \$1 and \$1.50.

Besides Bergen and McCarthy, others on the opening Forum bill 50,000. were Pat Patrick, Ray Noble, Rufe Davis, the Jay Walkers, Karl Norman and a line of 20 gals from Theater Under Stars.

Unit) jumped in 900 miles from Orville, Calif., to open a Forum stand Patch, are now planning to turn the tickets also priced at \$1 and \$1.50. events, horse shows and other sports. The Polack show, in for two performances daily, except today and Monday (5), when it will give three- name, address and dates of service at a-day, played to capacity the first the former air base. three days of its seven-day run. The advance sale for the circus was almost double that of '48.

## PNE Is Ahead St. Paul Gate First Six Days Ahead of '47 Despite Weather

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theme running thru the fair this year is attracting considerable good comment from all visitors. The fair celebration of the centennial is the last large observance of the year, with the Minnesota Centennial office shutting down September 15. Mary Durey, Springfield, Minn., Miss Minnesota Centennial Queen, has been on the grounds most of the week and took part in the opening night grandstand festivities.

### Open Food Building

Without any fanfare, the new food show building was opened at the fair for the first time. The new Hippodrome Building probably will be ready for 1950, with construction expected to start after this year's exposition is over. Total premium of-

### Santa Ana, Calif., Gate Put at 80,000

SANTA ANA, Calif., Sept. 3 .- An estimated 80,000 attended the fourday Orange County Fair August 18-21. A breakdown shows approximately 10,000 for opening day, 18,000 Friday (19), 24,000 Saturday and 30,-000 Sunday. Last year the fair drew

An overflow of exhibitors competed for the \$36,000 offered in premiums. The fair was held on a 175acre tract that was formerly part of Polack Bros.' Circus (Western the Santa Ana Army Air Base.

Directors, headed by L. A. (Dan) Monday (29). For the circus the grounds into a permanent year-round Forum's seating was augmented, with recreational area with facilities for the capacity lifted to 6,000, with conventions, picnicking, athletic

\$173,005, with \$40,000 for the races, (1) by Joie Chitwood's Hell Drivers. | \$33,800 for cattle and \$31,200 for 4-H Secretary Lee said the centennial Club work accounting for the bulk of it.

### Grandstand Line-Up

Because of a conflict in dates with Wisconsin State Fair, the Minnesota annual opened Saturday (27) night with a Voorhees-Fleckles grandstand production. The Barnes-Carruthers No. 1 service opened Sunday night (28). Al Sheehan, superintendent of attractions, handled the show shifts.

Saturday night grandstand call sheet read: Overture, Dorbin Girls production; Sanger Ross-Andre, comedy; presentation of Miss Minnesota Centennial Queen; Evans and Ben Bari, jugglers, and Laddie, dog; Lou Breese ork; Dorbin Girls production; Wells and Faye, acro; Carltons, balance; Wallendas, high wire; Dorposition is over. Total premium of-ferings for the 10-day fair was set at and Lucille Page, musical comedy; Four Landons, midgets; Karrells, ladder: Dorbin Jirls production; Selden and Rietta, high pole. Joe Wallace was emsee. A Thearle-Duffield fireworks display wound it up.

Night grandstand call sheet thereafter listed: Cervone overture; Bert Nagle and Company in Up in Central Park, production; Woolford's Daschhunds; Four Evans, song and dance; Six Paiges, unicycles; Landons, midgets; Bolero, production; Wallendas, high wire; Van De Veldes, acro; Cole and Debutantes, four gals and four men singers; Johnny Burke, monolog; Show Boat with Piroska, production; Lane Brothers, balance; Aaron and Broderick, plano and song: Art James in Winter Wonderland, production; Selden and Rietta, high poles. Les Cole emseed. Thearle-Duffield fireworks finale.

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Horse racing, which has been held for many weeks before the fair at the exhibition grounds track, is pulling fair crowds. Mutuel take, however, is down from last year.

Most popular spot on the grounds is the outdoor theater where free attractions pull capacity crowds from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Ziegler Shows and the West Coast Shows combined to provide midway attractions.

### 25,000 Attend 4-Day Rimouski Expo

RIMOUSKI, Que., Sept. 3 .- The sixth annual Agricultural Exposition of Rimouski closed its four-day run Saturday (27) with a total attendance of over 25,000, which topped all previous marks.

The Agricultural Society announces plans for enlarging the fair's Coliseum for next year's fair, which already has been voted an appropriation of \$3,000 by the government to carry on its work.

### Sanilac County Records

40% Gain in Attendance SANDUSKY, Mich., Sept. 3 .-Attendance at Sanilac County 4-H Free Fair here, August 23-27, was up 40 per cent this year, Al Hall, in his first year as secretary, reports. Excellent weather, in contrast to the extreme heat during the fair last year, was one of the big reasons for the upswing, Hall said,

Grandstand attendance was off 5 Merry-Go-Round, Ferris Wheel or other rides, per cent, but midway business, ac- Scott, Frank Newcity, Allan Blaisyear. Exhibits were up 50 per cent. and Charles Brewer.

Complimentary tickets were issued to all veterans who sent their

### Brisbane Biz Dips; Stroke Kills F. Graham, **Ops Demand Refund**

BRISBANE, Sept. 3 .- The Brisbane (Australia) Exposition, which Stephen Exhibition, died as the result opened August 6, registered attend- of a stroke August 19. He is surance considerably below normal, due vived by his widow and two daughto the nationwide coal strike, which ters, Mrs. Lorne Carmichael, St has caused unemployment, drastic cuts in rail transportation and restrictions on the use of power.

Showmen on the fair's midway charged that it was the worst Brisbane Exhibition within their knowledge and are demanding a refund of a portion of the ground rent they paid. One showman claimed that his take this year was off almost 70 per cent from last year's. In all probability the Showmen's Guild of Australia will take up the question of a refund with a committee of the fair association.

### Terryville, Conn., Lions **Renewing Country Annual**

TERRYVILLE, Conn., Sept. 3 .--Terryville Country Fair will be revived September 17 and 18 under sponsorship of the local Lions Club, the civic group having tentative plans to make it an annual affair, reports V. Francis Ryan, chairman of the sponsoring committee. The sponsors have leased a 40-acre tract as a site, less than a half mile from U.S. Route 6 which passes thru town.

Among scheduled features are ox and horse drawing contests, and dog, horse, auto and machinery shows. A 700-foot midway is planned.

Committeemen are Merrill G.

grandstand included Janet and Paul, high wire; Montes De Oca, balance; Four Landons, midgets; Wallendas, aerial ballet; Six Paiges, unicycle; Karrells, high ladders; Rietta, aerial, and Selden the Stratosphere Man.

## St. Stephen, N. B., Prexy

ST. STEPHEN, N. B., Sept. 3 .-F. D. J. Graham, president of the St. Stephen, and Mrs. J. J. McGee, Fort Garry, Manitoba.

Graham's sudden death cast gloom over the St. Stephen Exhibition which concluded a week's run last Saturday (27). He had long been a member of Agricultural Society No. 88 and was one of the founders of the local annual. He was an ardent horseman and well known thruout New Brunswick and Eastern Maine as a starter and judge. At the time of his death he was head of the Southern New Brunswick Trotting Association.

He was a member of Miriam Lodge, IOOF; Susses Lodge, A. & A. M.; the St. Stephen Curling Club and the St. Croix Driving (llub.

### **RAIN TUMBLES**

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closing is expected to result in a near-record Saturday crowd. Paid attendance thru Thursday totaled about\_47,000. On Thursday, 14,500 turned out despite high winds which lasted thruout the day. All afternoon grandstand attractions had to be canceled Monday.

Attendance topped 8,000 Tuesday (30). The night grandstand show played to a capacity audience. Wednesday (31), Burlington Day, the crowd hit 23,000, despite scattered showers during the afternoon Fair, Greensburg, Ky., Sept. 23 and 24. Address cials, was 30 per cent ahead this sell, Edmund Atwood, Carlton Austin 5,000 were on hand for both the afternoon and night grandstand shows.

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RAS DIPS 10% AT ST. PAUL

## WOM Inked Ziegler, West Coast Combo Gives By Essex Jct.; PNE Strongest Midway Since '39 3d 1950 Deal Weather Tumbles Biz 15%

ESSEX JUNCTION, Vt., Sept. 3 .-Frank Bergen's World of Mirth Shows were awarded the 1950 midway contract for Champlain Valley Exposition here at mid-week. Other annuals played this season by the org and already inked for next year are Presque Isle (Me.) Fair and Central Canada Exhibition, Ottawa.

Two days of rain and a wind storm which necessitated stripping much of the decorative flash on the show held the fun zone gross thru Friday (2) about 15 per cent under the 1948 take registered for the same period. However, good weather is in prospect for today and there is the possibility that a strong grandstand program will bring out many folks who shied away from the expo because of bad weather.

Bernard (Bucky) Allen, Bergen's concessions partner, reported that the Ottawa take was about the same as that registered last year, despite rain on three days. Bergen and Allen built a special midway front for this spot. The unit consists of three arches elaborately decorated with neon in geometric patterns and four towers, each of which is surmounted by an animated head constructed by Messmore & Damon. Beginning with Ottawa, all show employees coming in contact with the public were decked out in new uniforms. Outfits consist of dark tailored shirts and trousers. The shirts have the name of the shows embossed on the back and the wearer's name and the unit he represents neatly stitched on the front. Allen and show agent L. Harvey (Doc) Cann flew to Toronto Tuesday (30) to attend Canadian National Exhibition. New ride units making their preem appearance at the CNE were studied for possible future addition to the World of Mirth line-up, Allen said.

### down jointly by the Ziegler and West lot. Coast Shows. The combination gives the exhibition its largest fun zone erator, suffered a crushed leg opening since 1939, when Rubin & Cherry day. He was sent to Vancouver Gen-Exposition held down the spot.

The combined shows have 20 major rides, 7 kiddle rides, 11 shows and 55 concessions in operation. The permanent Happlyland set-up of rides, shows and concessions which adjoin for Leavitt, Brown & Huggins. also is in operation.

cent from last year in the early days of the run, according to George Hiscock, owner of the Zeigler Shows, and Frank L. Kirsch, who, with Melvin Cook, owns the West Coast Shows.

Side Show, owned by Art Converse, paced the shows the first few days, trailed closely by the Motordrome. Polo Bros.' Circus annex has a spot on the midway between Happyland and the combined touring carnivals. Polo Bros., which had Imperial Shows were on their way



VANCOUVER, B. C., Sept. 3 .- | Columbia, blew a date to make the Midway at the Pacific National Ex- PNE but have only the annex workhibition (PNE), which closes its 11- ing, the balance of the show remainday run here Monday (5), is held ing on wagons on the PNE parking

> Irving Huff, Merry-Go-Round operal Hospital.

Jimmie Kling, assistant to George Hiscock, moved about the PNE in a wheel chair due to a smashed foot. Kling at one time was trainmaster Charlie Ziegler, former owner of the Midway business was down 15 per Ziegler Shows, is here, operating concessions.

## DodsonImperial Scores Good Biz **At Fargo Annual**

FARGO, N. D., Sept. 3 .- Dodson's been playing small towns in British Thursday (1) to register their best date of the season here at Red River Valley Fair. Business was excellent, even tho Kids' Day had been canceled due to polio.

Thursday (1) yielded the biggest play of the first four days of the six-day run, with the midway being upon a heavy Labor Day week-end almost jammed throut the evening.

## **Biz Rated OK** As Fair's Gate **Tops '47 Peak** Lee Unit Paces Midway Shows

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ST. PAUL, Sept. 3.-Royal American Shows (RAS) were piling up an excellent gross, probably only about 10 per cent upder '48 thru Thursday (1), sixth-day of the 10-day Minnesota State Fair here.

Thursday produced a recordbreaking crowd of 81,287, as compared to the previous peak Thursday furnout of 74.627 in 1947 and the 71,353 gate last year. The Thursday turnout raised the fair's gate to that point to 460,049, higher by 1,800 than 1948's total for the corresponding period.

Fair execs, aware of the changed econmic conditions, were pleased that the drop-off was not greater than an estimated 10 per cent. In addition to tighter spending, midway business was hit by poor Kid's Day play, caused by a polio scare scattered thruput the State, by rain Tuesday (30) and extremely cold weather Wednesday (31).

Shows are shooting to approach the 1948 gross of \$265,000. Carl J. Sedlmayr, RAS boss, is counting finish to whittle the difference from last year. Peak gross by Royal American here was \$285,000, registered in 1947. Gypsy Rose Lee's Girl Show conweek. They also announced that the Gypsy's take here is far greater She grossed about \$7,500 Sunday (28), the peak day. In the No. 2 slot as a money-grabber was the Cortez Lorow Side Show, which usually battles it out for the one-two showing with the girlie ensemble. Bill Kemp's Motordrome was in third place. Leon Claxton's Harlem in Havana, a potent puller elsewhere, always drops off here, but it was running ahead of 1948 even tho the rest of the midway gross was off.

### DE LAND, Fla., Sept. 3. - E. Lawrence Phillips, president of the Johnny J. Jones Exposition, completed purchase of De Land Fairgrounds Thursday (1), it was announced by Eastern Florida fairs.

track.

### Waco Event Signs Alamo

WACO, Tex., Sept. 3 .- Alamo Ex-P. T. Gore, press agent. Phillips will position Shows have been booked tinues as the top money-getter on temporarily refire from the carnival for the midway at the Waco Centen- the midway, with the revue more field to form, along with other local nial Exposition, October 24-30, of- than holding its own, the other atinterests, a circuit of six Central and ficials of the event announced this tractions were off. Sedlmayr said The property includes over 3,000 negotiations are under way to bring than that of any other girl show feet of railroad siding, steel grand- remaining members of the Waco In- the RAS midway has had in the past, stand of 2,500 seating capacity, steel- dians to the event. Director Timmy roofed buildings and cottages and a Stevens said if negotiations are sucfive-eighths-mile horse and auto cessful, the Indians will set up camp on the grounds.

> Terrell Jacobs' Wild Animal Cir-(See RAS Dips 10% on page 92)

# J.M. Raftery Dies

ROCKYMOUNT, Va., Sept. 3. -James M. Raftery, 60, owner of the shows bearing his name, died here suddenly August 30, where he had gone to attend funeral services for Percy Sink, an old friend.

had been head of the James M. ing formed the org from the R. & S. Concession takes are reported to be Amusement Company and the Raft-

Survived by his widow, Carrie, Bernard Raftery, Waco, Tex.

## Circuit Biz Up 10% For Wallace Bros.

TROIS-RIVIERES, Que., Sept. 3 .-The Western Canadian Class B Fair Circuit yielded about 10 per cent better business for the Wallace Bros." Shows this year than last, according to Wallace org execs upon shows arrival here to join with Conklin Shows for the balance of the season, Increase was registered despite considerable bad weather, execs pointed DUL.

The Wallace shows dropped a day at Lethbridge, the first exhibition in the circuit, another at Moose Jaw, Yorkton, Lloydminster and Melfort due to rain. Business at Carman, which had been off the circuit for the last three years, disappointed. Red Deer gross also was down due to the fair being pre-dated by two circuses and a rodeo.

Pete Kortes' Side Show, managed by Mrs. Marie Kortes, topped the back-end units, followed by Jean Branson's Follies, the Monkey House, Swimcade, Motordrome, Crystal Maze, Hitler's Love Nest, Snake Show and Monkey Show, Rides include Tilta-Whirl, Rocket, Ferris Wheel, Octopus, Fly-o-Plane, Rock-o-Plane, Merry-Go-Round, Rolloplane and Spitfire.

## Western Canadian B Cold, Rain Cut Into Conklin Midway Takes at Toronto

TORONTO, Sept. 3 .- Cool weather Conklin's midway zone at the Canadian National Exhibition (CNE) of its scheduled 14-day run.

are running considerably ahead of six rides for 10 cents. those of last year, the impresarios erased and that a final accounting of the money, Webb said. will show an increase over 1948.

The cool weather and rain have (31) nixed the ride business and resulted in the cancellation of the night | and Jack Rays's Posing Show. show for the first time in 23 years. freshments, suffered as a result.

enced the drop.

The huge, 17-unit CNE-Conklin and some rain has cut slightly into Kiddieland has been registering a the gross of J. W. (Patty) and Frank steady and remarkable increase, according to Neil Webb, show secretary. Daily increases thru yesterday which today rounds out the first half have averaged between 30 and 40 tits scheduled 14-day run. However, since attendance figures the attractive packaged deal offering In Rockymount

The Whiz Bang and Torpedo, both are confident that the deficit will be new units, are getting a big share

Kortez Unit Leads

Pete Kortez's Side Show is wintended to send patrons from the ning top money among the tented outdoor fun zone into the numerous units. Top attraction is Jess Wil-exhibit buildings for comfort and lard, former world's heavyweight showman approximately 30 years, protection. Rain Wednesday night boxing champion. Holding their own are Alph Phillips's Aqua Frolics Raftery Shows for eight years, hav-

On Thursday (1) the temperature on a par with those of last year, ery Shows. Prior to starting in show tumbled to 68 degrees following a About 200 parkmen and their guests business with the John H. Marks gale. Ice cream stands in particular, are expected to attend the meeting Shows, Raftery was a tailor in Wiland all units peddling cooling re- here Friday night (9) sponsored by mington, N. C., the present winter the National Association of Amuse- quarters for the shows. Principal slackening off occurred ment Parks, Pools and Beaches on Kids' Day, Monday (29), when (NAAPPB). In the evening a Leland, N. C.; four daughters, Carrie, attendance dipped from the record cocktail party and buffet supper will Leland; Mrs. Horace Turner, Mrs. 203,500 registered last year to 197,- be held at the Royal York Hotel, Lloyd Wolf and Mrs. Johnnie Oli-500. More than 100 cases of polio after which the group will attend the phant, all of Wilmington, and two in this city alone may have influ- Olsen and Johnson performance in sons, Billy, of Wilmington, and Lt. front of the grandstand.

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## **BINGO HELP** WANTED

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## JACKIE'S BINGO

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Bill Powell, recently returned from a round-the-world jaunt, has joined the World of Mirth Shows. . . . Joseph Arns, ride man with the O. C. Buck Shows, lost a finger and suffered arm bruises thru tangling with a motor belt on the Ferris Wheel at the Franklin County Fair, Malone, N. Y., last Friday (26).

Concessionaires who arrive on fairgrounds with dough in their kicks are different from the usual run who plan on getting it after they get there.

Jean Branson, of Girl Show note on Wallace Bros.' Shows, has been busy giving her life history to Mc-Lean's magazine, a leading Canadian publication. Staff of the Wallace org is unusual. Johnny Broderick, secretary, passed his first year at law school; Frank Tod, lead gallery operator, is studying medicine, and Bob Yanke, advance agent, recently was named playing coach for the Kansas City Hockey Club. J. P. (Jimmy) Sullivan, owner-manager, was joined during the org's stands at Portage and Winnipeg, Man., by Mrs. Sullivan and the two Sullivan heirs, 2-year-old Patrick L. and 8month-old John L., who made the trip in a plane. . . . M. F. Sullivan is readying his real estate deals for Miami this winter. . . . Billie Brady. wife of Pat Brady, electrician on Rogers Greater Shows, left the org at Terre Haute, Ind., to return to her home in Atlanta where she will receive treatment preparatory to undergoing an operation.

Midway wag suggested the minting of a 50-cent piece commemorating the carnival, with "In God We Trust" on one side and "Good for First Coupon" on the other.

During the Springfield (III.) State Fair, Seymour Schlar, concession manager of the Endy Bros.' Shows, gave a surprise anniversary party for his wife, Fredda. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. David B. Endy and daughter, Joan, Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Rice, Harry Berger and Henry Lieberman. The Schlar's daughter, Karen, is attending a summer camp. She will visit her par-ents at the York (Pa.) Fair. . . . Louis (Dada) King, concessions secretary on the World of Mirth Shows, is suffering from a back ailment. . . . Bill Jones, chain bingo op, is transport-ing his World of Mirth Shows help in a new station wagon. Mrs. Jones is sporting a new Cadillac roadster.



## McCLURE BEAN SOUP

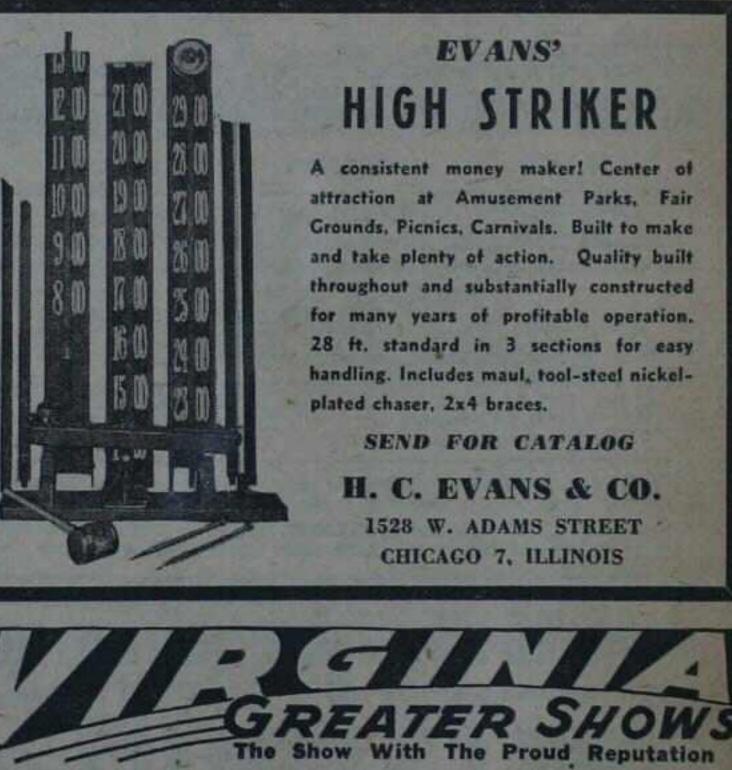
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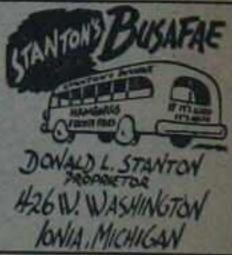
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### OCTOBER DATES

3-10-ARKANSAS LIVE STOCK SHOW, LITTLE ROCK, ARK. 10-15-MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR, JACKSON, MISS. 22-31-LOUISIANA STATE FAIR, JACKSON, MISS.

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## FROM THE LOTS

### Mad Cody Fleming

BLUE RIDGE, Ga., Sept. 3 .- The org has found rugged sledding in Georgia this summer. Everyone on the show had figured the fairs would be okay, but the Greensboro Fair was a disappointment. Exhibits were up to former years, but spending was off 60 per cent.

The gate price was cut and ride prices were trimmed, with kiddie rides going at 7 cents and big flat rides at 14 cents. Following the cut in prices, the rides carried a few more riders. Alex Moorhead, fair president, ascribed the drop to the fact that the factory here has been idle for several months and the sawmills have curtailed employment.

Business at the fair here has been off 50 per cent for the first two days, altho weather has been good. D. E. Brown, known as Bronie, the Clown, is working the schools and uptown, trying to drum up business at the fairgrounds.

Dutch Schilling now has nine concessions and Dean three. Other concessionaires are Judge Dowdy, Frankie Shelton, Evelyn Howie, Mr. Crane, custard; the Pills, Chilson, Slim Huffman, cookhouse; Charley Mizzell, George Leach, Daisy Mercor and Dewey Davis.

Staff is as follows: Mad Cody Fleming, owner; Jack McCarty, assistant manager and billposter; Bill Briggs, general foreman; Roy Chilson, general mechanic; Jim Mercer, electrician; Dutch Schilling, lot man, and Ginger Schilling, The Billboard sales agent and mail man .-- GINGER SCHILLING.

### Larry Nolan

WRAY, Colo., Sept. 3 .- Opening business was brisk here, the second time in. The week previous in Burlington, Colo., at the fair, gross topped last year.

### Virginia Greater

KELLER, Va., Sept. 3. - Owner Rocco Masucci spent part of last week here laying out the midway at Eastern Shore Fairgrounds. The fair, which opened Tuesday (30), is the first of the season for the shows. Rides have been newly painted.

Last week's stand at Pocomoke City, Md., under auspices of the fire department and American Legion, was favored by ideal weather which, with heavy billing and newspaper and radio plugs, resulted in satisfactory business. Spot held good all week due to nightly door prizes. Saturday night's (27) giveaway was a Mercury.

Several concessions joined at Pocomoke City, among them Abe Bonario, grab joint; A. Da Silva, custard; S. Croner, glass pitch; Frank Donato, guess-your-age and scales, and A. Pappas, cookhouse and grab. Cotton Club minstrel revue has been augmented with Spicer Copeland and his troupe.

Wallace Goodrich, of Suffolk, Va., was a visitor last week. Other visitors included Harry Heller, Heller's Acme Shows, and Bill Sanders, formerly with Norfolk Tent & Awning Company now representing his own canvas firm.



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PAUL MATTLEY SHOWS Winterquarters, PHOENIX, NEW YORK



Several changes have been made. Scott Lamb moved his concessions to the Pike Amusement Company. He has been replaced by Blackey Thorp and Ralph Shaffer. Mr. and Mrs. Nick joined with their Girl Show. Prof. George (Dad) Atkins has taken over the Side Show. Lester Neidheiser joined with four concessions.

Mrs. Dorothy Younger reports good biz at her cookhouse. Joe Divino, lot boss, has the rides and trucks moving in fine shape. He reports his popcorn and floss concessions doing okay.

LeRoy Huffman went to Denver and returned with a new bingo truck, replacing the one lost in the fire.

Recent visitors were Cliff Nelson and John Zimmerman, of Nelson Auto Sales, Omaha, who delivered a new trailer to Charles Scott, digger operator.

### **Midway of Mirth**

GREENVILLE, III., Sept. 3 .- Org heads south in one more week and will remain in the cotton country until December. No major changes have been made in any department. The same concessions that opened in March are still with it.

The entire personnel was saddened by the death of Jackie Tankersley, who had been with us since 1940.

Euby Cobb visited in East Alton. Other recent visitors included Marie Muirheid and Mrs. Lucky Kime. Mr. and Mrs. Junior Scott are spending the week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Reece, Roy Spears's daughter and family are expected to visit soon.

Delaney and Freiss concessions continue to hit. F. R. Shoultz reports a good week with his snow cones and popcorn. The new Rollo Whirl is holding its own. Ferris Wheel, with Calvin Landrum as foreman, is leading rides in getting money .- ROSIE DAVIS.



(including tax) at Eastern States Exposition. Springfield, Mass., Sept. 18-24. Last year's gross (with tax). \$2931.00. May hit \$2500.00 this year. Write, wire, phone or see at Springfield. The early bird gets the-! Per-sonnel will continue if desired.

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#### **Keystone Attractions**

HYNDMAN, Pa., Sept. 3 .- Org Is winding up its trek thru Pennsylvania at this spot, which was a good one. Hooversville, last week, was a Well flashed brand new Bingo, 30x36, blank. With one stop in Maryland at Sharpsburg, show will head for Virginia. Ferris Wheel and Merry-Go-Round are topping the rides. The Girl Show is now working out of the office, with Charlotte Hauck and Alta Latchford, dancers; Charles Filbert, talker, and William Leonard. ticket seller.

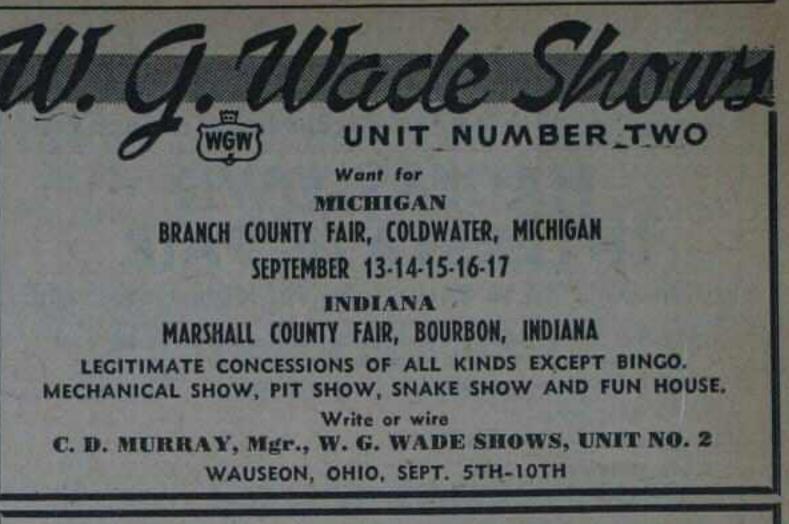
Concessionaires are Mr. and Mrs. Kader Barnhill, fish pond, pitch-tillyou-win and one p.c.; Doc Cook, cat rack, milk bottles and ball game; Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Weaver, clothes pin pitch; Speck Martz, popcorn; Mr. and Mrs. Sassaman, cookhouse, candy floss, cork gallery and one p.c.; Bill Yarger, high striker; John Cole and Red McKinley, balloon pitch. Bob Harrington is now in charge of the Strange Animal Show. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Gross have left to make their regular fairs with their French fries. -MEL SOBER.

#### James H. Drew

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Sept. 3.-Org played celebrations in Culver, and Kouts, Ind., booked on short notice. Culver was for four days, American Legion auspices, biz being only fair. In Kouts, show also was under Legion auspices, playing there five days including a Sunday. At this spot Owner Drew sent two of his major rides and 15 concessions to the Crown Point, Ind., Fair. Show is playing the fair here, joining up with the Jones Greater Shows for 11 days. Drew then will jump into South Carolina. - HARVEY (DOC) ARLINGTON. -

#### Motor State

ROMEO, Mich., Sept. 3. - Org moved here from Eaton Rapids,



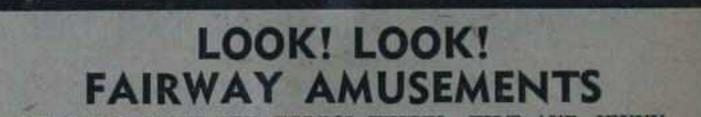


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Legitimate Stock Concessions, Opening for Fish Pond, Duck Pond, Cigarette Gallery. Bumper, Hoop-La, Bowling Alley, Pitch Till You Win, Dart Games, Photo Gallery, Ball Games, Slum Spindle, etc.

Want Grind Show. Want Ride Help who can drive and have driver's license. No drunks. Want P.C. Dealers, must be sober and stand to make money. We have the best route in the south and work every week. No gate. No racket.

Johnsonville, S. C., this week; Mt. Holly, N. C., week of Sept. 12th; North Wilkeaboro, N. C., Fair, week Sept. 19th; Gastonia, N. C., week Sept. 26th; Wadesboro, N. C., Centennial Celebration on Streets, week of Oct. 3rd, and other good spots to follow.



HUNISVILLE, ALABAMA September 19-24 Can place legitimate Concessions, good locations, independent midway. Marie Dickson, Sec'y

Mich., for Labor Day. The show is in tip-top shape and is eagerly awaiting the Romeo Peach Festival.

Bill Rowell recently spent a week at the miniature train factory getting new parts and having overhaul work done .- W. H. (BILL) ROWELL.

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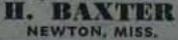
Must be sober, drive semis and have driver's license. People who have worked for us before, contact immediately. Sober Grind Man for Fun House. Book small, clean Grab, Photos, Scales and Candy Floss, WANT AGENTS FOR OFFICE. Concessions as follows: Ball Games, Cigarette Gallery, Bumper, Pitch-Win, Snow, Pop Corn, Penny Pitch and Pans. Need good, sober, experienced man to take charge of nice Bingo. Must drive semi. Book one more small Grind Show. Out all winter, South.

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Skillo Agents, Grind Store Agents, Man to take head of Grind Store, Man and Wife to take office owned Bingo, Stock Store and Ball Game Agents, Man to take Girl Show, must have Girls. Want Girls for Girl Show, must be experienced; Man to take Snake Show, Second Men for 8 Rides, must drive semi tractor and have experience. Sept. 5 to 10, Clarendon, Texas; Sept. 12 to 17, Amarillo, Texas; Sept. 19 to 24, Tucumcari, New Mexico Fair. Wire **D. S. DUDLEY** 

WANT AT ONCE For 8 weeks Mississippi Fairs and Celebrations starting with Newton State Dairy Show and Fair, Newton, Miss., September 13 thru 17 Rides, all kinds. Prefer one man with set of rides or will book individuals one of a kind. Must have transportation. Shows of all kinds with own equipment and transportation. Girl, Side Show, Minstrel, Snake, Monkey, Motordrome, Fearless Gregg Canon Act featured on midway at all fairs. Want Concessions: Bingo, Popcarn, Diggers, Six Cats, Snow, Floss, Noveities, Cookhouse, Grab, Custard, all Hanky Panks open. Want Electrician, Iodin Bailey, answer, Want Agents for Count Stores, Pins, Skillo, Buckets, Pear Fool, Harry Hartzor, Jimmy Wright, Blackie McFeak, others wires or come on Count and Pea Pool, Harry Hartzog, Jimmy Wright, Blackie McPeak, others wire or come on. Crops good, positively bona fide fairs and celebrations. All address



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FUTZIE BROWN

Trenton, Tennessee, this week: Hendersonville, N. C., next. All Fairs until middle of November.

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Want for the Big Hickman County Fair, Centerville, Tenn., next week and 5 more Fairs to follow. Custard, Ice Cream, Jewelry, Arcade, Mitt Camp, Scales, Hit & Miss, Hanky Panks of all kinds. Any ride not conflicting Shows with own outfit. Have one top, what have you to put in it. Agents for P.C. and Hanky Panks.

Spencer, Tenn., now; then the big one, Centerville.

P.S.; Lot will not be laid out until 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 11, at Centerville, in case I don't hear from you, come on.

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**READING FAIR** 

September 11th to 17th, inclusive, Reading, Pa.

# HAGERSTOWN INTERSTATE FAIR

# September 19th to 24th inclusive, Hagerstown, Md.

CAN PLACE: All legitimate Merchandise Concessions and Eating and Drink-Stands for all fairs ending the middle of November.

WANT: Workingmen experienced in all departments.

WANT: Neon Man.

WANT: Cat and Tractor Drivers.

WANT: Chairplane Foreman.

CAN PLACE: Worth while Grind Shows that don't conflict.

CAN PLACE: Hi Ball or any Ride not conflicting for long circuit of big fairs. All address this week, Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, Ind.



## From the Lots

#### Prell's Broadway

INDIANA, Pa., Sept. 3 .- Shows are on the midway of Indiana County Fair here which opened Tuesday (30).

Shows' second fair of the season last week at Butler, Pa., ended up strong after a slow start. At the end of the week the total attendance and receipts more than equalled last year's gate and gross.

Top money show was Jake Oughtman's Ten-in-One, while second money went to Georgie Ward's 1949 Scandals of Pulchritude. Third spot was grabbed by Prof. Vidalia's Harlem to Broadway Revue. Rides did terrific business, all topping 1948 receipts, with the Hi-Ball the leader.

Many new concessionaires joined at Butler and will remain for the balance of the season. All had a better than normal week. Patty Finnerty did a good job in seeing that

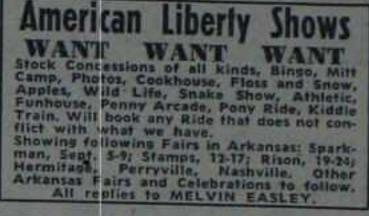
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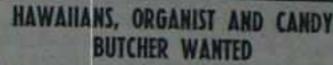
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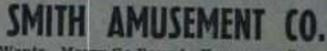
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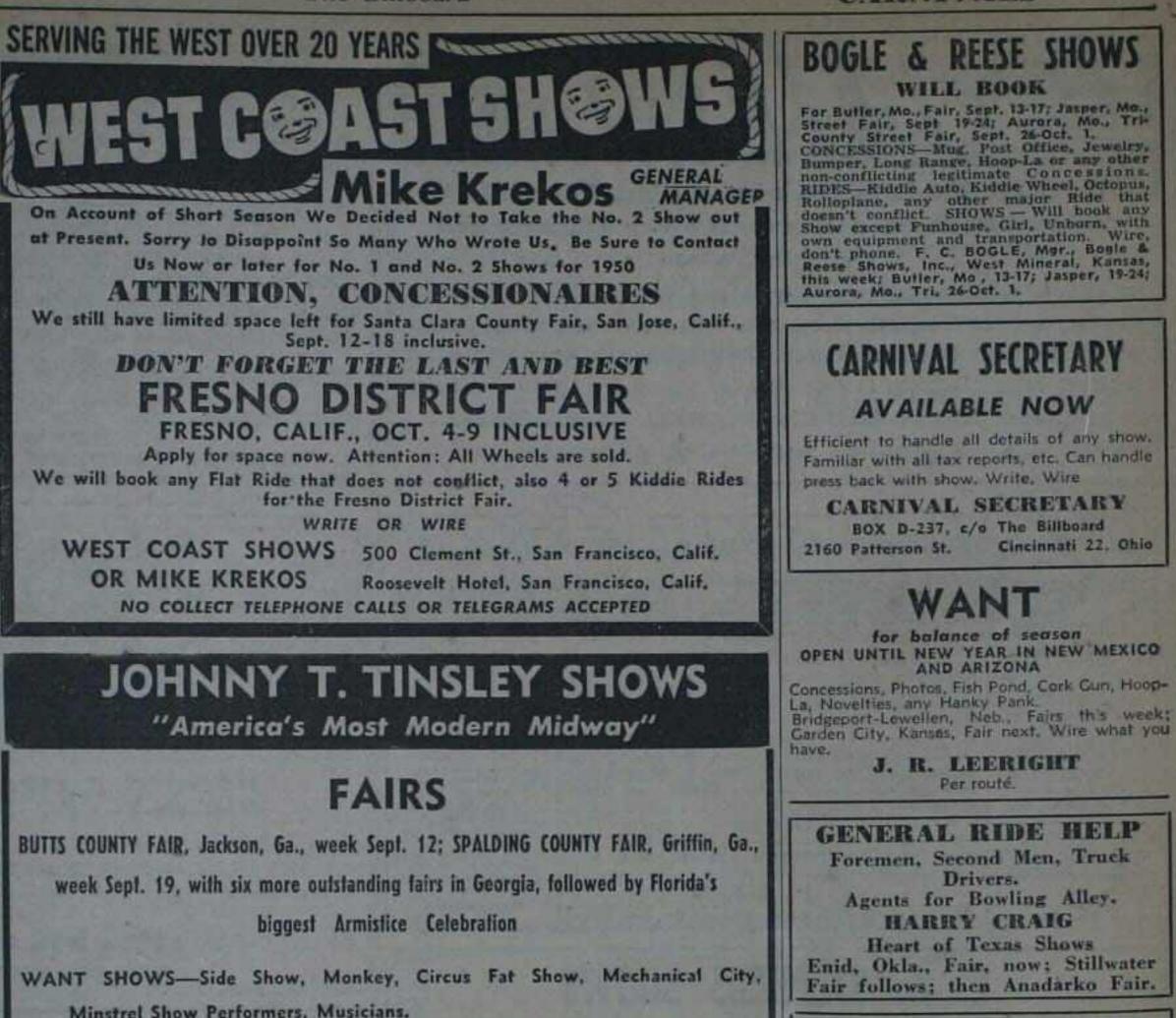


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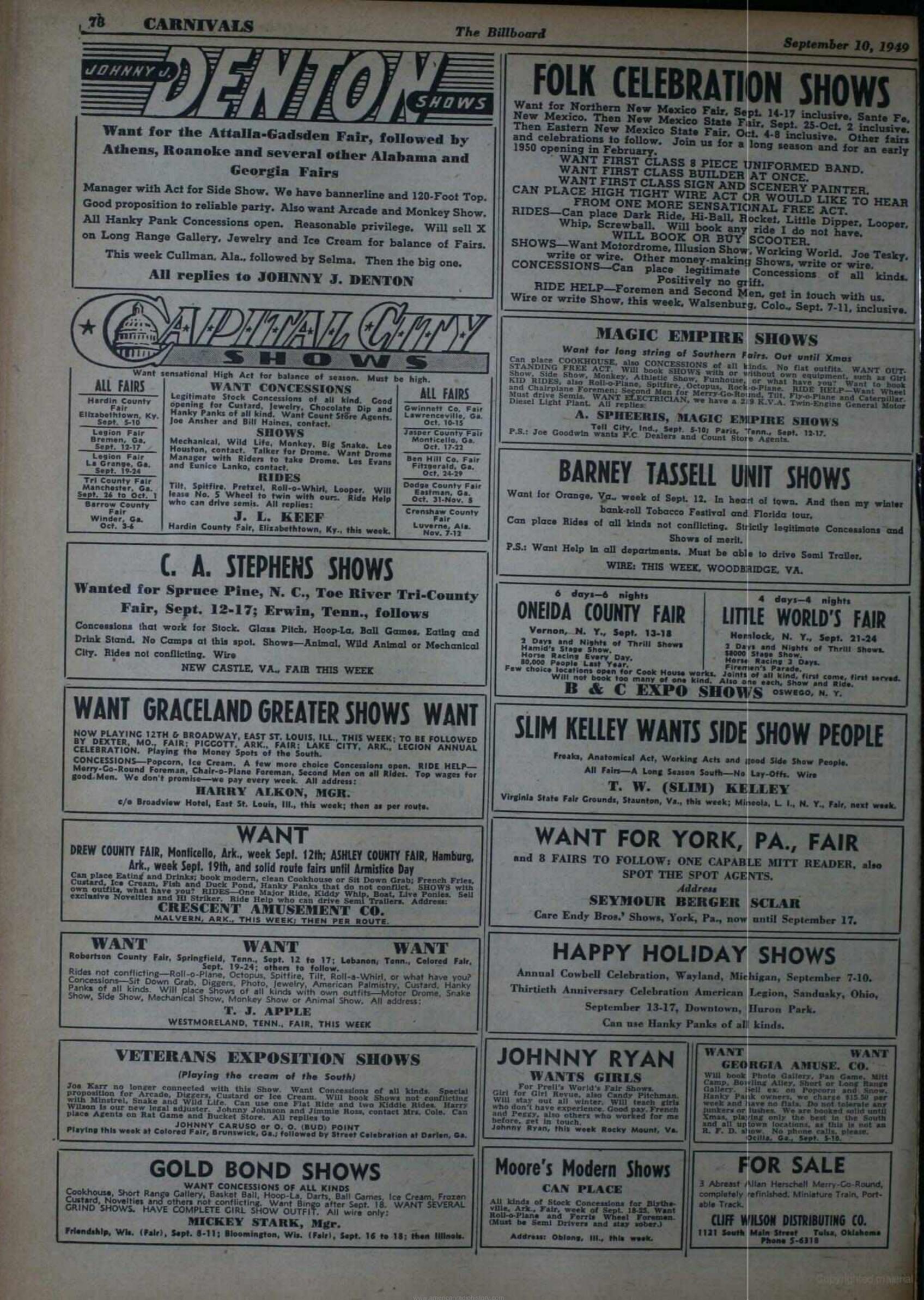
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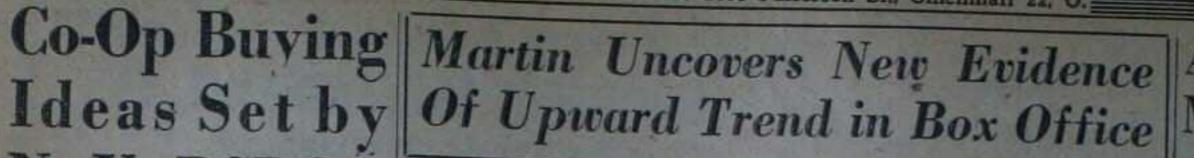
#### Huddle Over TV Revues

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - Groundwork for a money-saving co-operative purchasing plan was laid at a meeting of the New York chapter of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association (RSROA) Wednesday afternoon (31) at the Park Sheraton Hotel. With several representatives present from Pennsylvania and New England chapters, the tentative decision out of the conclave was that the three groups would act as "guinea" pigs" in buying items commonly used at rinks, thru the Detroit office of the association. List of ops agreeing factor. to the plan should be ready for a meeting on September 21.

Long a pet project of Victor J. Brown, operator of New Dreamland Arena, Newark, N. J., he proposed it with the statement that it would save money for individual operators and make money for the RSROA by enabling rink men to obtain items at manufacturers' rock-bottom, massorder prices.

Among other items discussed at the meeting was the series of WPIX television roller revues which is scheduled to begin October 16:

The shows, it was announced, will originate at Eastern Parkway Rollerdrome, will each be of 40 minutes duration, and will continue on successive Sunday nights just as long as RSROA amateurs can put out professional-type entertainment. All operators present pledged support and agreed to lend advisory aid and to supply casts, with appropriate costumes, whenever called on. Al Lawrence, WPIX special events



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that roller skating may be in for a other highly important statistics were announced from his headquarters conditions was uncovered during an interview with Fred A. Martin, sec- registration has now gone over the season. retary-treasurer of the Roller Skating 400 mark. Rink Operators' Association (RSROA), who is taking an optimis- for the season ending August 31, ton, leaves that post to assume manture, and produced figures, backed by a solid promotional program, for rink son ahead. men.

The condition is distinctly similar to the situation in 1933 when roller skating, almost a lost art among the then younger generation, suddenly zoomed into popularity as a sport during the later period of a depression, with its low-priced audience participation features a significant tions.

August was the busiest month in the history of the RSROA, a summary of headquarters activities show. Prediction that the association would register over 40,000 skaters for the

director, stressed that each show will be a gigantic undertaking and will require a rehearsal, a dress rehearsal and a three-hour camera rehearsal.

The following were present:

Milton Aronson, Johnny Jones Jr. Company; Vic Brown, New Dreamland Arena, Newark; Harry Forbes, New York Daily News; Ben Glass, Queens Rink, Elmhurst, N. Y .; Bill Junda, Shore Rollerdrome, Asbury Park, N. J.; Al Lawrence, WPIX; Emil Lence, Eastern Parkway Rollerdrome, Brooklyn; Bill Love, New York Journal American and The Billboard; Edward LaVenture, Fitchburg, Mass., RSROA president; Fred Martin, Detroit, RSROA secretary; Cecil its lowest ebb last season. With a Milam, Washington, Pa., president of Pennsy chapter; George Mortimer, Gay Blades Rollerdrome, New York: Frank Negri and Eddie O'Neill, Hillside Rollerdrome, New York; Vincent Padula, Park Circle Rink, Brooklyn; Joseph Seifert, Bay Ridge Rollerdrome, Brooklyn; K. D. Strayer, Johnstown, Pa.; Nat Steinberg, Queens Roller Rink, Elmhurst, N. Y .; kids and their love for roller skating Irwin Rosee, Roller Skating Institute as a recreational and healthful sport. of America, and Fred and Walter Wolf, Pottstown, Pa.

with advance requests for score sheets indicating a still heavier sea- AOW's newest addition, scheduled to

3. Requests for advance information on joining the association have Arena will be Robert Reilly, who was doubled since the national convention and competitions in Washington New York, and Mount Vernon (N. Y.) in July.

4. Skating News, monthly organ of the RSROA, shows a 36 per cent increase over last season in subscrip-

Turning to a positive program, Martin advocated a five-point policy for rink operators:

1. More classes for beginners.

2. Good, live, musical evening programs.

3. Reduced prices on sessions for children, which are regarded as the build-up for regular rink sessions.

4. Plenty of special fun nights with games and other events.

5. Reduced prices on skate sales to build future patronage.

"Let's stop talking about the past and look to the future," Martin said. "V. feel sure that the problem can be solved and that a successful future. is in store for everyone in the industry. Of course, this will not 'fall on you.' It will require work and effort on the part of everyone-a most pleasant effort when you see business coming your way."

Martin pointed out that he believed the roller skating business hit bit of initiative on the part of rink

men, he said, the 1949-'50 season

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# AOW Personnel Making Shifts

ELIZABETH, N. J., Sept. 3 .- Wil-DETROIT, Sept. 3 .- Solid evidence season was made by Martin. Among America on Wheels chain of rinks, here several changes taking place in 1. Professional skating teacher preparation for opening of the fall

Herbert Daisley, present profes-2. Proficiency tests totaled 4,400 sional at National Arena, Washingagement of Bladensburg (Md.) Arena, open in October.

Replacing Daisley at National pro at the AOW St. Nicholas Arena, Arena several years ago.

Mount Vernon, which has been without a professional since April, has secured the services of Walter Clancy, New York. Clancy is a former champion of the United States Amateur Roller Skating Association.

Will Rawson Series Lead to Expensive **Experiment?** -- Seff

CINCINNATI, Sept. 3. - "I am quite concerned as to whether the recent series of articles by Perry B. Rawson may not lead to another expensive experiment," writes C. V. (Cap) Sefferino, manager of Skateland, Denver.

"Actually, Rawson is aware that a flexible roller skate exists-one that has passed his laboratory tests with a 100 per cent rating as to flexibility and performance. Rawson is also aware that it has proven his point in three localities. It certainly appears to me that my good friend, Rawson, in his anxiety to prove his contention of the meed of a flexible, has gone completely over to compromise. "Regardless of what he has stated in the series, I know he is aware that I can convert any modern make of skate to a greater degree of flexibility in about three minutes with a minor change in construction, for we have talked this over at considerable length, and the answer is not sawing off king pins and enlarging holes in the trucks to allow greater range of movement. "I am in no position to dictate to Perry, but for myself, I much prefer to hold the line rather than to settle for a hall-way job."

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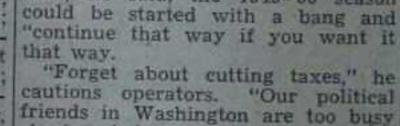


#### **Mineola** Prepares For 16th Season

MINEOLA, N. Y., Sept. 3. - Earl Van Horn's Mineola Roller Rink closes its summer season September 9 for alterations and renovations to the building and opens its 16th season September 21. As in past seasons, skating exhibitions and souvenir programs will feature the grand opening. During the summer the rink has operated Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights.

Sunday morning figure skating classes get under way September 25. From these classes, skaters graduate to the Earl Van Horn Dance and Figure Skating Club. Classes are under the direction of Gladys and George Werner and Louise Campbell, until after the finals on Columbus Mineola pros.

Saturday morning club sessions will start September 24. They feature dance specials with organ music by Bobbie Weeden. The charge is 25 cents, including admission and skates.



chasing skeletons to worry about-our Why not forget what's going on in Washington before we knock ourselves out?"

Martin's final suggestion was, "Let us wake up to the fact that we need better and bigger promotions to bring in more people, and the set-up of good, solid programs of good times in order to keep those people coming back."

# Journal American Schedules Derby; \$5,000 in Prizes

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- The Winged Wheels Derby, a series of roller races sponsored by The New York Journal American and department of parks, was launched Sunday (28) with a feature story in the newspaper. Since then, daily stories and picture spreads have appeared and will continue Day.

Races will be from 40 to 60 yards for tiny tot boys and girls to 300 yards for teen-agers. Relays are also scheduled.

Eliminations, starting September 19, will be held at 520 neighborhood playgrounds in the five boroughs. Finals are set for the Mall in Central Park.

Over \$5,000 worth of prizes are being offered. Included is an allexpense trip to the Sugar Bowl Game in New Orleans for a boy and his dad, two ponies, wrist watches, cameras, roller skates, bicycles, fishing equipment, baseball gear and season tickets to major sporting events. For winners in finals there will be medals.

Members of Roller Dome Skating Club of Chicago made a bus trip August 31 to Roll-Aire Rink, a combination summer-winter skatery at Harvey, Ill., reports Joseph Wolak.



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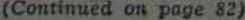


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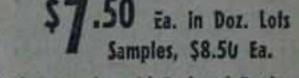
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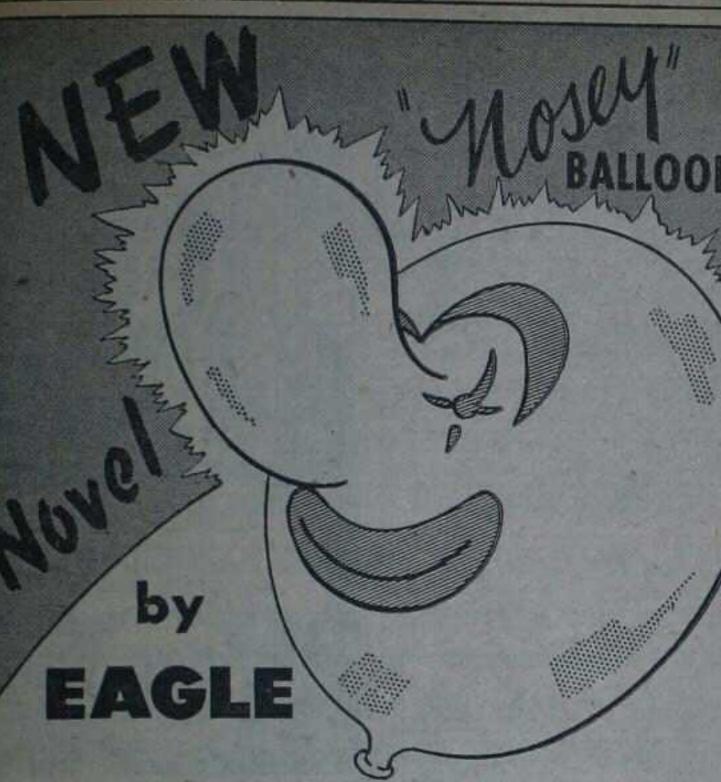
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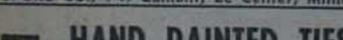
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Chicago to big tips recently, according to Lila May Doran, were Betty Stanfield, pastry cloths; Valerie Rennie, with shampoo, and Ida Mae Green, with toasterette. "All seemed to be holding and turning good tips despite the warm weather," Lila May cards. "It was good to see that Rennie gal back with a big smile after her recent accident. Fall business in Chicago looks as the it will come back with a flourish. Wonder how the Western fairs will be this year?"

You can't progress yourself if your make a practice of hindering others.

Pitchmen's many fault-finders should give a lot of thought to the fact that the pitchman always will manage to take care of himself.

#### WITH SO MANY . . .

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#### HARRY MAIERS . . .

returned to his home in Danville, Ky., last week following a trek thru Alabama. "Wonder what has become of W: P. Danker," Harry queries.

There's plenty of good territory to be played now. Do your lounging next winter.

Investments, particularly in work, are what pay off the biggest dividends.

#### HENRY H. VARNER . . .

widely known in pitch circles, has become sales promotional manager for the Brier Hill Company, Akron.

You can let your friends know where you spent the summer thru the medium of the pipes column.

It's a grueling grind, but it gets the gelt."

#### RED HUTCHINSON ....

who went out this spring with the Funhouse on the Tinsley Shows, where he also was the org's mailman, has returned to his home in Lenoir, N. C., where he's been doing some week-end pitching. Red also plans to work the football games in that sector when the season gets under way.

Open weeks in trick territory often are difficult to fill.

#### ANYONE KNOWING ...

the whereabouts of Norman R. Dills, well known in pitch circles, is requested to have him contact his sisand United States-made movies, plus ter, Mrs. John Dougherty, at her home, 67 Atherton Avenue, Wyoming, opened a 15-room hotel here in Pa. She reports that their mother Naples," letters Caterina De Franza, died recently and Dills is needed there Gents' - A to settle the parent's estate.



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# **Dressing Room Gossip**

#### Polack Bros. Western

Playing Vancouver, B. C., certainly brought back memories to the writer in De Kalb, Ill. Poor advance flack and wife. Many years ago we landed in Vancouver from Australia,

Oroville, Calif., the trailer caravan came thru Portland, Ore. Stopping off in Portland to catch Cole Bros.' Circus were the Sidneys, Slivers and Jo Madison, George Paige, Mr. and Trio, Gus and Betty Bell, Mr. and back a new baby chimp. Mrs. Ross Paul, Naida Roberta and son, Ray; George and Ruby Cutshall, Cole's indoor circus, conferred with Mr. and Mrs. Barton, Billy Griffin, Jimmie for a week. Don Edwards and Chester Barnett.

His trailer came unhooked from his big success. It was the first show on car. There was no damage. Ross Paul the East Side since 1912. Mac Mcwas a busy man getting the train Clain, legal adjuster, visited every passengers, trailer folks and trucks day during the East Side stand .across the border. Two of the Boginos DOROTHY H. COLE. couldn't make it so Gus and Betty Bell filled in the acrobatic numbers. Gus tumbled his head off and Betty didn't do badly either!

half-hour ride to and from the build- brated her first birthday August 30. ing, the Freemans were lucky. We - Eddy Sheeler claims the gravity is had an apartment right across from so strong in the mountain country the building. Chai and Somay, the of Washington that it's almost im-Sherman brothers and Harry Dann pc tible for him to do his balancing had a big time in Chinatown trying act. out the Chinese cuisine.

Slivers Madison had a swell exhibit tent for his bulls. Don Carlos Carreon's horses and Alex Konyot's horse also were housed in a nifty tent. Frenchy Durant and his boys were kept busy keeping the kids and grownups away from the bulls and horses. Bobby Kellogg came up with a new wardrobe in Vancouver.

I think Vancouver was one of the sick list. nicest dates we've played. What a job Mickey Blue, our promoter, and Mrs. Harry K. Lewis and Mr. Horn. his staff did!-FREDDIE FREEMAN. -AL CONNER.

#### Jay Gould

The first blank of the season came and a lot more than two miles from town were the reasons. Mr. and On the trip to Vancouver from Mrs. Herm Linden, Aurora, Ill., visited. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Guice, bar performers, and the Don McCulloughs, who promoted the Eagles Circus, visited us in Forrest, Ill.

Captain Hayes, who has the chimp Mrs. Bee Carsey, the Rose Gould act, flew to New York and brought

Lou Stone, who will agent Jimmie

The stand at 108th and Ewing Only mishap on the long trip to Avenue, Chicago, under sponsorship Vancouver happened to Eddie Ward, of the East Side Lions' Club, was a

#### Seal Bros.

Susan Anderson, daughter of Mr. While the rest of the folks had a and Mrs. Norman Anderson, cele-

> Leon Snyder and Happy and Marie Loter purchased musical horns for their cars. Everyone is looking forward to the return of the Miller family when the fair dates are concluded. Zoza Coriell is doing three acts in the big show. Hartsel Wells has a trained rooster and works it in the clown numbers.

Mrs. Dorothy Anderson was on the

Visitors have included Mr. and

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#### **Clyde Beatty**

The mountain streams in Missouri ceived daily visits from fishermen lyde Beatty, Johnny Cline and cott and Ted DeWayne.

Willard Isley and Harry Smiley, of ic Robbins's band, enjoyed themelves when we played near their old ome town on two successive days. they reported the fried chicken was wonderful. During a stand in Neada, Dutch and Rush Crawford, fornerly known as the Crawford Comelians, visited Vic Robbins.

George Davis received word of the leath of his sister-in-law, Gertrude Davis, in Sarasota, Fla.

Bruno Medini, Ernest Fey, Bozo, Oscar Jones, Raymond (Congo) Miles and Mitzie LaForm celebrated birthdays.

Tex Maynard is a new addition to the Wild West line-up. Bobbie De-Wayne is now riding menage. Mark Anthony purchased some new horns for the clown band. In Joplin, Mo., Paul Van Pool was on the lot most of the day. Clyde and Harriet Beatty have a new convertible.

Around the lot: Charles Hilderra getting a hand with his magic. . . Babara Barry sporting some pretty ensembles. . . . A. W. Kennard having a great time entertaining the kiddies. . . . Scranton Harry showing great improvement since his operation. . . . Don and Hope McClennan riding to the cookhouse on their scooter car.

Visitors: Charles Kisk Sr., Robert Woody, Rex Hoyt, Hedy Joe Starr, Bobbie Peck and Lloyd and Peggy Stoltz-LAURENCE CROSS.

#### Dailey Bros.

winter coats and Tiger Bill Snyder presented his wife with a Hudson Bay blanket and a Scotch shawl before we left Canada.

#### **Ringling-Barnum**

The Western trip is underway and already we are feeling the chilly altho the 13 weeks in Canada were nights. Days, however, are perfect. We day and dated World of Today Shows at the fair in Sioux Falls, dayed in Dundas, Ont., and Mr. and S. D. Everyone enjoyed the after- Mrs. Don Clarke, of Hamilton, had noon off in Cheyenne, Wyo.

Dr. and Mrs. Humphreys gave a party for Felix Adler in Sioux City, Ia. About 30 show people, along with women in the show. circus fans, were present.

The Saro Circo Club had its monthly meeting after the night show in Grand Island, Neb. Liz Johnson won the radio.

Eddie Milam is working in the flying act. Justino Loyal showed his movies one night but had the worst The Conleys purchased a horse in kind of luck. Everything happened to hamper showing his Wallace Beery Pressler and daughter are visiting .feature. Hilda Alzana was out of ac- JIM CONLEY.

tion for a week with a back injury. Natalia Tock and Deloros Murphy celebrated birthdays.

Visitors: Sam Stern, Ed Raycraft and Colonel Asp.

Back yard scenes: Jackie Gerlick literally was burned at the stake by members of the flying act, headed by Jimmy Crocker. . . . Bill Warner soon will be known as the Nylon Kid. . . . Red Sonnenberg did his best to get Ed Raycraft and Sam Stern to help him bear down, but it was no go. . . . With the army camp near the lot in Cheyenne, some of the boys reverted to form and started marching. Blocks was seen marching his ushers around the back yard. Everyone's getting ready for those excursion trips by bus with Larry at the wheel .-MARY JANE MILLER.

#### Cole Bros.

Hugh Ain't You, who runs a clown college at Jantzen Beach, Portland, Ore., joined clown alley for the Port-Gee Gee Powell purchased two land run. Virgil Bellfield, at one time with the Sells-Floto show, his wife and son, visited band members in Portland. Bellfield is now with the Holton factory in Elkhorn, Wis.

Swihart left the show in Portland

#### **Robbins Bros.**

It's nice to be back in the States, wonderful. The Nicklings, Canadian bar act, left to play fairs. We Sunall the performers at their home for dinner. Gladys Gillem was guest

Dave Deacon McIntosh and Kelly Pressler joined. Moose Moore was a recent visitor. Percy Clark celebrated his birthday.

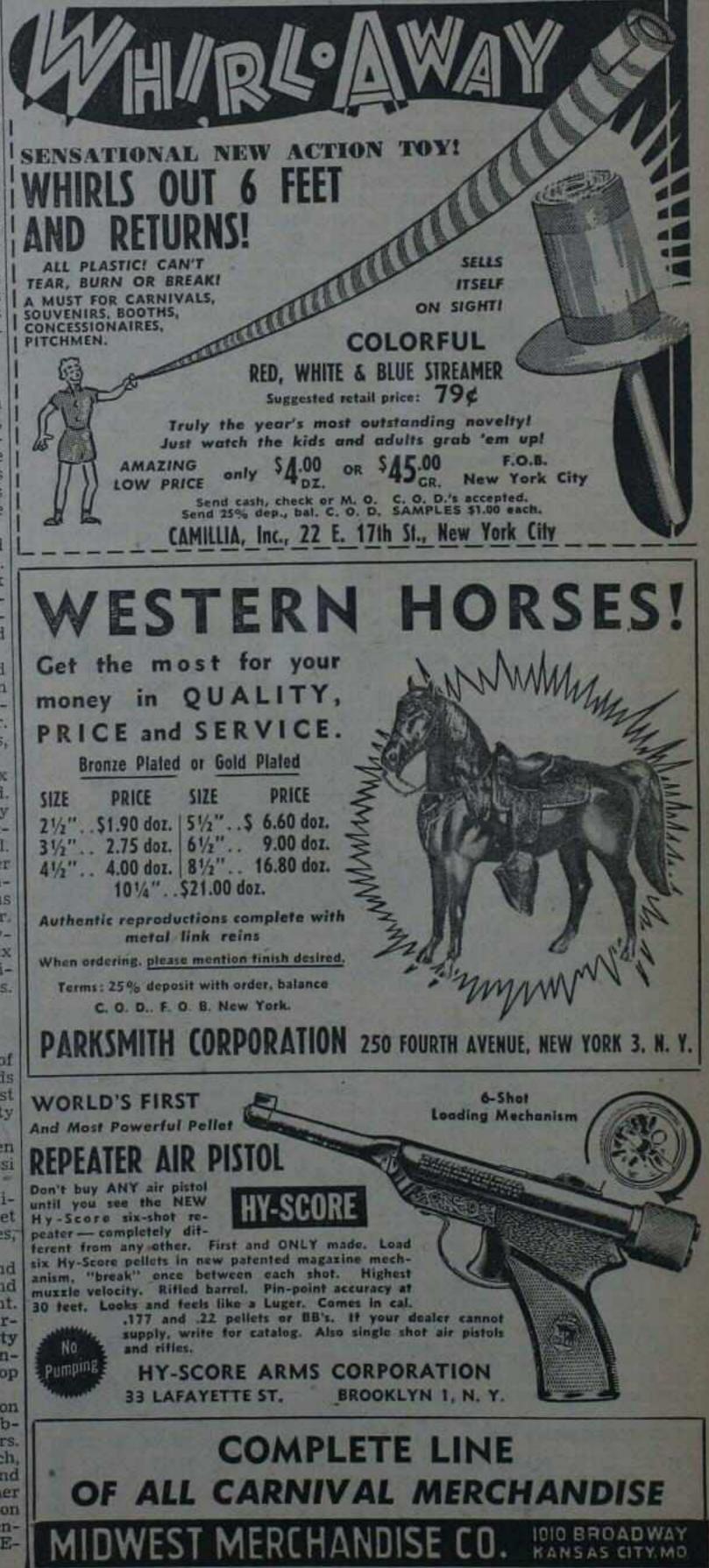
Only Canadian to accompany us to the States was Bob McNay, clown. Canada. Flo McIntosh and Jerry

#### Nellie, R-B Elephant Donated To Hub, Dies of Malnutrition

BOSTON, Sept. 3 .- Nellie, former Ringling circus elephant, donated to the city by the Big Show management last May after much controversy, died at the Franklin Park Zoo here August 22. Cause of death was malnutrition, of honor at a party given by the according to Park Commissioner John J. Murphy, who said the aging pachyderm had been in poor health for tive years, was without teeth and unable to digest its food properly.

Mayor James M. Curley wrote to John Ringling North, Ringling prexy. notifying him of the death of Nellie and said: "No doubt your generosity will result in the donation of another elephant to the Franklin Park Zco."

Three elephants remain at the zoo.



A unit, including Mrs. Rube Ray, dogs; Rube Ray, Pipo Rollon, Harold Conn and son Don, clowns; Sylva brothers, hand balancing; Hungry Dennis and George Williams, baby bulls, have been giving hospital performances.

When the lion jumped out of the back end of the cage as it was being pulled away from the arena, everyone became petrified. Tiger Bill Snyder threw his lariat around the animal's neck and prevented a panic. The lion was trussed and put back in the cage.

Jackson, official electrician for the dressing rooms, suffered a broken hand.

In one spot recently, the lot was so rocky the big top had to be guyed to the wagons which were placed in a circle surrounding the big top.

Harold Conn tried knitting for a clown gag. Now he has more respect for the women who are turning out socks and sweaters. George Scales, steam table man, was all smiles when he served pink salmon the other Friday.

Charlie Hill and Mercedes Daniels were married recently.

Birthdays: Mrs. Rube Ray, Christine Van and Manuel Barrata.-HAZEL KING.



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and was replaced by Rea Williams. Almost everyone from the Polack show visited us in Portland, including Alex Konyot, the Goulds, Carseys, Billy Griffen, Don Edwards and the Chi and Somay troupe.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddy Maders marked their first wedding anniversary in Kennewick, Wash. Visitors in Bellingham and Seattle included Mr. and Mrs. Wallace and son, Douglas, and Harry Chipman.

On the lot-Lilly Konyot says Jinx Adams' spaghetti is out of this world. . . . The kids go swimming every day on the lot now that Bruno Zacchini has a portable swimming pool.

. . . Germen Zacchini replaced her injured sister, Esterni, in the Repensky riding act. . . . China Doll has been added to the iron-jaw number. . . . Lee Virtue made a jersey cowboy shirt for T. P. Louis. . . . Tex McGummery really knows his business when it comes to shoeing horses. -SALLIE MARLOWE.

#### Kelly-Miller

Everyone was glad to get out of North Dakota, with its tough roads and dust storms. Wisconsin is just the opposite, good roads and plenty of lakes and woods.

Kiddies ready for school are Karen Kay Miller, Benny and Jimmie Rossi and Ora-Jo and Lucille.

On Sundays we have only matinees, so everyone gets a chance to get caught up with laundry, the movies,

etc. W. A. Stevens not only is band leader but also handles the mail and acts as The Billboard sales agent. Wilfred Degrave keeps busy repairing car bodies and fenders. Dusty Wagner and H. B. Johnson, mechanics, keep all rolling stock in tip-top

shape. We day and dated the Dobson Shows. Visitors have included Bobby, Peggy and Ricky Ludes; Mrs. George Yench, Craig David Yench, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ludes, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Ludes, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Putnam, Dr. and Mrs. Theron Nelson, Frank Kindler, Walter Jennier and Terrell Jacobs .- MAURICE-MARMOLEJO.

#### SALESBOARDS

Communications to 188 W. Randolph St., Chicago 1, Ill.

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# SALESBOARD SIDELIGHTS

Gardner & Company, Chicago, re-| coming shortly, and is aimed for the ports a consistent upturn in business. Officials state the firm's extensive manufacturing facilities are being taxed to capacity, with every indication that this pleasant state of affairs will continue thruout the "punching" months ahead. Credit for the up in sales is attributed to the facts that all territories have now worked off the "dog days," saleswise; the hard work by Gardner salesmen, and the presentation of new numbers timed to today's market conditions. New boards being put out on a mass production basis, perfected during the summer season, will enable Gardner to absorb the increased business now being realized, company spokesmen state.

Irv Sax, sales manager for Consolidated-Container Corporation, St. Louis, has been traveling thruout better this year than last on two aftthe Northwest during the past month. Sax accompanied firm's Northwestern representative, Irv Greenfield, on the sales jaunt. Things are looking brighter after a rather slow summer, Irv Sax opines. He adds that he found time to go fishing with Henry B. Berg and his family in the Montana mountains. Berg is a Great Falls, Mont., operator.

Writing from Boise, Idaho, Irv Sax tells of the star equestrian in the Sax household. His 91/2-year-old son. Richard, tied for first place recently in a race held during a St. Louis horse show. He completed with 19 adult riders. He took second place in the run-off to determine the winner. Richard has his own horse, Irv says.

Art Paule, A-P Distributing Company, St. Louis, continues to be effervescent over firm's new Super Lucky Bingo deal. Sales on the new item prove business is waiting in good measure for play-catching numbers, he vows. And with the introduction of a second new bingo deal shortly, Art looks for still greater business boom news.

operator exclusively.

Set up in new headquarters, Empire Press, Chicago, is champing at the bit as it moves with speed into a fall season of cheerful business activity. Joseph Zimmerman has good news on the production front as output is streamlined in the new diggin's. A good fall and winter season is "on the books" here, staffers believe.

#### DES MOINES NEARS

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Joie Chitwood's Hell Drivers pulled a strong turnout Saturday (27) despite rain and repeated Friday afternoon (2). Harness horse races were skedded for Monday (29) but runners were substituted. Harness horse races, never a strong pull here, did ernoons.

Night grandstand attendance thru Thursday (1) was down from last year, the count to that point being 91,500, as compared with 98,198 last year. Night bill consists of a revue, plus acts, booked in by Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises, Chicago, and fireworks by Thearle-Duffield Fireworks Company, Chicago.

#### Midway Biz Off 15 Per Cent

Two outstanding attractions were sponsored by The Des Moines Register and Tribune, which brought in Robert Edison Fulton and his airphibian plane, which comes apart and can be driven like an auto, and the wingless chickens developed by a Des Moines man.

Hennies Bros. reported midway business down 15 per cent from last year but execs were pleased, holding the drop to be in line with changed conditions.

# UNDER THE MARQUEE

(Continued from page 63) their home in Columbus, O., after attending the funeral of Frank L. (Kokomo) Anders. Hanlon and Anders were on the executive staff of the John Pawling Circus this season until the latter had to leave on account of illness. They had been lifelong friends, first trouping together in 1908 on the John Robinson 10 Big Shows. Anders was buried at Plymouth, Ind.; services were held at Mishawaka, Ind., home of his sister, Mrs. M. Zontz. . . . Chick Yale, with his table rock, is playing with the Hollywood Dare Devils until September 30. . . . Doc J. E. Ogden, former Side Show manager, now in the insurance business in Columbus, O., was on the lot at Washington C. H., O., when Dailey org played there September 2.

Beginner's question, "Are we gonna put up the tent now or walt until the cool of the evening?"

Justus Edwards, press agent for Polack Bros.' Western Unit, and Buck Owens, rodeo performer with Polo Bros.' Circus, playing dates in of fishing with Paul Van Pool at Few British Columbia, cut up jackpots at the Pacific National Exhibition, Vancouver, recently. . . . Charles H. and Mabel Tomkins, the former a wellknown cowboy rider and roper, and the latter a circus rider, both now retired and living in El Reno, Okla., recently were the subject of a feature story, with pictures, in The Daily Oklahoman, Mrs. Tomkins was the former Mabel Hackney.

Having a paper shortage? The folding kind?

Bobby Hamm Jr., 11, son of the former clown, now trouping with Dick Dillon's Mechanical City, winds RAS DIF'S 10% up the season at Rutland, Vt., and will return to his home in Tampa to cus was getting insufficient paresume his schooling. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Herbert A. Douglas, West Chester, Pa., caught three circuses in one week recently, visiting Hunt Bros. in Hackettstown, N. J.; Biller Bros. in Pottstown, Pa., and Polack Bros.' Eastern Unit at Wilmington, Del.

Edward Dulle Jr. and Paul Dulle Jr., circus fans of Jefferson City, Mo., motored to Warrensburg, Mo., to catch the Clyde Beatty show. They visited the Beattys, Mel Rennick, Bill Cox and Bill Collins. . . . Bill Green, p. a. for the Eastern unit of Polack Bros.' Circus, scored with front-page spreads on the three Zanesville, O., dailies the day the show opened there. . . . Doc Waddell, of Mills Bros.' Circus, is planning a tour of Europe, following the outdoor convention in Chicago.

Indoor clicus suitcase promoters are ones who believe an event can be staged without capital or conscience and usually lack both.

When Mills Bros.' Circus played New Castle, Pa., Sylvia Earsdon, Newcastle, Eng., a member of the Wallaby acro team, met Mayor John Haven to thank him in person for the wartime gifts of New Castle residents to her people. Pic made Page 1 of The New Castle News. ... When Clyde Beatty played Joplin, Mo., he took time out for a bit Acres Ranch. Beatty, according to reports, came home with good string of large-mouth bass. . . . J. C. Admire, general agent of Tucker Bros." Circus, and his twin brother, Oscar C., celebrated their 53d birthday anniversaries at a party in Lima, O, Guests included Les Hogan, Robert Mays, Dippers Little, Robert Hedges, Gordon the Wizard, Joe Gould, F. P. Admire, a cousin of the celebrants, Ed White and Mrs. Harry Little. J. C. Admire is marking his 40th year in outdoor show business. Brother Oscar is in the catering business.

Jerry Scanlan, at the helm of his Chicago board and counter game firm, turns in the report last week that S. A. Sedlock & Company, Portland, Ore., has been named distributor for the entire Northwest area. Jerry adds that a new counter pellet game, a running mate for the successful Ball Game number, will be out within three weeks, Called Black Beauty, the new game will offer nickel, dime and quarter play.

H. M. Shoemaker, Muncie Novelty Company, Inc., Muncie, Ind., is predicting some big things for firm's main midway have been selling at an new Tri-Vendor release. Game will unprecedented clip. be a top bidder in the ticket field and is designed to garner applause from player, location and operator levels, it's claimed. . . . Another firm with a new idea for introduction to the fall trade is Crown Products, night, and fair officials predict a sell-South Bend, Ind. Firm's Roy Galen- out for that night before the fair tine declares that a new deal is forth- opens.

Dance attractions at the fair pulled the usual number of rug-cutters, with a total of 3,880 attending the first five nights. Skippy Anderson had the biggest take with 1,571 Saturday night. Other territory bands that played were Ralph Zarnow, Mal Dunn and Hank Winder.

Closing night grandstand attraction featured Judy Canova.

#### **READING BILL**

(Continued from page 66) conducted in the roller skating rink for the second consecutive year. Special days have been set aside for school children in six counties.

Charles W. Swoyer, fair secretary, reports that the advance sale of indoor and outdoor concession space has been the largest in fair history. Space in four large exhibit halls has been sold for weeks, and locations on the

The demand for grandstand reserved seat tickets also is reported as the heaviest in history. Tickets most in demand are those for the "Miss Reading Fair" finals Saturday



day date in Portland, Ore., recently St. Paul ice skater. There has been Mr. and Mrs. Howard King were con- some trouble with the ice itself and stant visitors. . . . Ted La Velda re- several shows have had to be called ports that since closing with Burling off. However, the fact that Minne-Bros. he has been playing fair dates sota doesn't take to ice shows isn't for Ben C. Truex. Buck Leahy, clown at all conclusive. This area, an ice contortionist, formerly with Burl- skating center of the nation, gets the ing Bros., is playing dates and parks Ice Follies, the Ice Capades and the around Pittsburgh. . . : Charles and Dorothy Lewis ice show each year Edna Kistler, Allentown, Pa., to date to more than satisfy its appetite for have caught Lee Bros., Hunt Bros., such entertainment. John J. Pawling, Dales, Cole, Ring-

#### A great showman is somebody who hired a good staff and prospered.

Rube Ray, Dailey Bros. producing clown, picked up a black bear which director, Calgary Stampede and Exhe intends to train as a stilt walker while the show was playing Fredericton, N. B. Arrangements for obtaining the cub were made for Rube by Lt.-Col. C. A. Williams, chief game warden for New Brunswick. Training will get under way this winter at Rube's home in Leesville, La. . . . Owners Harry Hammill and Ben Davenport, of Dailey Bros." Circus trekked thru Canada in the private car of Superintendent C. S. Pushie while their own unit was undergoing repairs in the Moncton. N. B., shops of the Canadian National Railways.

A biller probably has to beat a competitive one to a daub. But he doesn't have to look out of his truck window and sneer.

Raleigh M. Wilson, former performer with Ringling-Barnum and the Gollmar Shows and now a proofreader on The Denver Post, recently had a bylined feature, "Happy Mem-ory, the Circus Parade," in the magazine section of the newspaper. . .

(Continued from page 69) tronage, perhaps because the Jacobs' show plays Minneapolis with the Shrine Circus each year.

The McGowan and Mack ice show experiment, set up especially for this date and not part of the show sked, is running into considerable difficulty. Sedlmayr gambled on this one When Cole Bros. played a three- at the request of Everett McGowan,

Visitors to the RAS here included ling-Barnum, Biller and Polack cir- P. T. (Pa) Strieder, of the Florida State Fair, Tampa; William Masterson, assistant manager of the Wisconsin State Fair, Milwaukee; Arch Putnam, Northern Wisconsin District Fair, Chippewa Falls; Charles Yule, manager, and Gorden Love, hibition, Calgary; C. B. McKee, Fred England and Mr. and Mrs. Leyton Robinson, Regina Exhibition, Regina; Jack Warren and Steve McEachren, Saskatoon Exhibition, Saskatoon, and Leo Dailey, Northern Montana State Fair, Great Falls.



# **USED COIN-OPERATED MACHINES**

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COIN MACHINES



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Blind in Drive for Funds

Election of Mutoscope Aids Home for Officers, New **Board on Tap** 

#### Convene in Chi Sept. 14

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Irv Blumenfeld, Baltimore, secretary of the National Coin Machine Distributors Association (NCMDA), announced this week that the association's annual two-day meeting will be held at the Bismarck Hotel, Chicago, September 14 and 15.

President Lol Wolcher has announced that the NCMDA board of directors voted to invite all qualified five-ball distributors, regardless of their affiliation with the association, to an open meeting to be held Thursday (15) in one of the Bismarck Hotel's conference rooms. It will follow committee meetings scheduled for that morning and will be listed on the hotel's lobby bulletin board.

At the general meeting, set for

#### NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- With the could stop or slow action so that assistance of the International Muto- careful study of what certain eye scope Corporation, the Industrial conditions do show" is possible. Home for the Blind of Brooklyn has created an exhibit to show normally sighted persons what the majority of eating and walking, five separate the partly blind see. The exhibit, which uses five Mutoscope movie machines, is an important tool in the normal eyesight, with the others, in home's current drive for funds. It is booked for display in Brooklyn savings banks thru June, 1950.

NCMDA CALLS GENERAL

home with cameras housing special rate reel, are, according to the home lenses to simulate the distorted vestiges of vision remaining to the preponderant number of blind persons who are not totally sightless. From the negatives, International Mutoscope then made up the special reels needed for use in their movie machines. The company also supplied five movie units for the exhibit, each adapted for non-coin operation.

#### **Durable** Machine

chosen because of its durability,

With the film showing a man doing routine things, such as shaving, reels were made. One reproduces these actions as seen by a person with turn, showing the action as viewed by persons with reduced powers of vision. The four categories of partial Photographs were taken by the blindness, each simulated in a sepaofficial:

"Central acuity vision, where an image is seen as thru the barrel of a rifle; cataract vision, with everything seen as thru a fog or haze; detached retinal vision, where all is dark except for a small spot of sight at the extreme edge of the visual field, and sight with a high degree of refractive error, where everything is blurred and out of focus."

The Mutoscopes are built into the A spokesman for the Home for the tall, six-sided display. It was in-Blind said the Mutoscope had been dicated that several new displays might be constructed to widen the "negligible maintenance factor, as scope of the home's campaign. Each well as the fact that the hand crank would house five movie machines.

# Chi Coin Bows Football, New Five - Ball Game

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Continuing its use of in-season sports as a background for its five-ball games, Chicago Coin Machine Company is now in full production on Football, according to San Gensburg and Sam Wolberg.

Football's playfield has a scoring zone which traps balls between stretch rubber bumpers and a kicker bumper, meanwhile rolling up blocks of points. To enter the scoring area player must guide a ball thru a oneway gate on the side of the playing area. The hub of the scoring area is a bumper which can simultaneously register points and kick balls against rubber rebounds from all 360 degrees. Another point on the new game is a spot feature on three bumpers which spell out "foot" and another bumper trio which spells "ball." Spotting of each word is accomplished by hitting special bumpers on the extreme top left corner of the playfield which is wired up with "foot" and "ball" bumper series.

#### **High Score Bumpers**

When the spot bumpers are contacted they also record 100,000 points for each hit. A special kick-out pocket

10 a.m. Wednesday (14), the agenda calls for election of an eight-man board of directors, annual financial report, adoption of the 1950 budget and action on the expanded membership and public relations programs.

Following the general meeting the newly elected board will vote for new officers and then initiate a series of conferences with representatives of manufacturers and allied trade groups. Meanwhile, committees elected by the membership will hold

(See NCMDA Calls on page 109)

# **Gottlieb's New** Game Stresses **Football Theme**

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- D. Gottlieb & Company, thru Alvin Gottlieb, advertising manager, announced this week that quantity deliveries on the fiveball game, College Daze, has started. Timed to be on locations thruout the country in the early weeks of the football season, the game features a gridiron motif and as a result its action is built around scoring touchdowns, extra points and field goals, tho it also retains the block point scoring which identifies high score five-ball products.

Playfield of College Daze is designed so that most of the scoring gimmicks are on the upper half of the playfield, leaving the bottom area for flipper bumper and cross ball action. It also has a special set-up which gives players with relatively low scores a chance to pile up large blocks of points on the fifth ball, thereby increasing their opportunity to win.

#### Fifth Ball Feature

In College Daze play, object is to hit 11 scoring devices (regardless of order) which reset and when hit a second time run up three times as much points as when first contacted. If player has less than 2,200,000 points (See Gottlieb's Game on page 109)

# **U. S. Official Reports On Manufacturing Conditions**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 .- Despite | measures for the government to take ditions ordered by President Truman several weeks ago.

John Steelman, Sawyer stated that 'most people have an abiding faith in the soundness of our business economy." The consensus of business men in the area visited, Sawyer to make recommendations for halting said, was that the best remedial unemployment.

serious slumps in many industrial now "are those which would bring a areas, manufacturers are generally release of pent-up purchasing power optimistic about the future, Com- in the hands of business and consummerce Secretary Charles Sawyer re- ers." Most frequently mentioned ported this week following his trip were recommendations for removal around the Eastern half of the coun- of excise taxes and acceleration of try investigating unemployment con- depreciation allowances in connection with income taxes.

Sawyer will leave Saturday (10) - In a report to presidential assistant for the West Coast to survey unemployment problems there and will later tackle the Gulf States. Following completion of his survey he is

California Group Would OK Coin Units To Pay Old Age Pensions

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., Sept. 3. - | Plan candidate for governor in 1942; The groundwork to legalize coin ma- Roy G. Owens, also of the "Ham 'n chines in California is being laid by Egg" group; Willis Allen, founder of the Pension and Taxpayers' Union, the organization now known as the Inc., which would use the State's share of the revenue from the machines to defray old age pension costs. The group sponsoring the measure hopes to have their plan ready for presentation to voters at the general 1948 State election (Old Age Pension State election in November, 1950.

The plan met the approval of many California coin machine operators, among them J. A. (Slim) Ewing, former president of the Kern County Music Operators Association, and great, Kern County operator. The measure assures the State one-third of the gross revenue taken in by the machines.

Directors of the Pension and Taxpayers' Union, Inc., are Nathan T. Porter, one of the original "Ham 'n by increasing the present monthly Egg" compaigners and Townsend allotment from \$75 to \$100.

Payroll Guarantee Association; Glen S. Wilson, Townsend Plan organizer, and Cliff Kallam, former State assemblyman from Santa Clara County.

Proposition No. 4 passed at the Plan) is now the subject of a general recall election scheduled for November of this year, due to claim by opponents that under the present measure the State's burden is much too

The directors of Pension and Taxpayers' Union, Inc., hope to be able to convince voters that their measure will not only release the State from the support of old age pensions, but will offer added benefits to the aged

in mid-playfield records 500,000 points when actuated after making both "foot" and "ball." Another scoring feature concerns hitting the scoring ring kicker bumper when the score stands at 100,000 points or multiples thereof. Free plays are registered either by high score or by going thru a side roll-over switch (See Chi Coin Bows on page 109)

**Start Delivery On Op's Chief** 

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Deliveries on the Operator's Chief have started, John Neise, O. D. Jennings & Company sales manager, announced this week.

One of the key units of the firm's new bell line, the Operator's Chief was designed specifically for operators and will not be available to clubs. It has the Chief mechanism and is available with a token set-up for the major award. The cabinet is finished in burgundy-baked enamel. Operators may specify what denomination coin chute they wish ranging from a penny to a dollar.

# **2d Run Starts On Photo-Finish**

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- With interest in Universal Industries' Photo-Finish continuing at high level, the firm has started a new run on both the free play and automatic models, President Mel Binks announced this week.

In addition to advancing odds-and other established one-ball features, Photo-Finish has an added entry and win, place and show features designed to give players more chances to win. Its construction highlights include indirect lighting, armor plate for all vital areas and an accessible mechanism for servicing.

The Billboard

VERIDING MACHINDS

Bulk Vender Output Levels Off New Bradley Distrib Airs Views On Operating, Biz Trends for Scales Of the Normal Production; In Production

#### **New Corporation Formed**

SYRACUSE, Sept. 3.- A new coinoperated cup vender, called the Junior Model D, has been placed in production by the manufacturers of the Bradley dual-flavor drink machine, according to an announcement here this week. At the same time, it was learned that C. C. Bradley & Son, Inc., headquartered in this city, figured in a recent merger with its former contract manufacturer, the Edlund Machinery Company, Inc., of Cortland, N. Y. Name of the new firm is the Bradley-Edlund Corporation.

The new machine, approximately half the size of it: predecessor, is obviously designed for placement in locations where floor space is at a premium. Requiring an area of only 20x22 inches for installation, the new unit nevertheless retains many of the features of the older machine. With a capacity in excess of 1,000 cups, the machine vends two flavors of carbonated beverages. Superficially, it resembles the larger vender, split down the middle length-wise.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 3.-Changes in scale design and construction during the past five years have made one-man operation physically possible, according to George D. Barok, president of World Sales, Inc., Because penny scales are now made lighter one person can handle placement and moving chores.

toward heavy units, which no one person could lift and so discouraged unauthorized removal or shifting on location. To make for greater economy in operation today's scales are made lighter and possible loss is combated thru fire and theft insurance.

(See Distrib Airs on page 99)

Supply Costs Are Still High Lower Prices by Some Firms Not Seen as Industry Trend CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- With current production down to approximately

This reverses the prewar trend half that of this time last year, leading manufacturers of penny bulk venders this week nevertheless painted an optimistic business picture for their field. Attributing the return of normal market conditions, following a two and a half year Too, Barok states that with more period of plus production geared to

satisfy almost five years of built-up



cago.

tomatic Merchandising Association (NAMA) announced this week 23 additional manufacturers and suppliers of vending machines, equipment and merchandise who have contracted for exhibit space at the 1949 convention and exhibit. The latest exhibitors, who will occupy from one to three booths each at the Atlantic City confab November 27-30, raises the total number of firms displaying products to 105.

Chicago (increase of space); A.B.C. Popcorn Company, Inc., Chicago; Fred Hebel Corporation, Franklin Park, Ill.; Lymo Industries, Inc., Chicago; Automatic Book Vending Corporation, New York; Automatic Syrup Corporation, Long Island

American Citrus Corporation, Chi-

F. & F. Laboratories, Inc., Chi-

cago; Mars, Inc., Chicago; Switzer's

Licorice Company, St. Louis; Huy-

ler's & Subsidiaries, Long Island

City; Universal Match Corporation,

St. Louis; Schutter Candy Division,

St. Louis: Dr. Pepper Company, Dal-

las: Charms Sales Company, Asbury

Park, N. J.; John Horne Company,

Evanston, Ill.; Henry Heide, Inc.,

demand, they stated that today's lower production could not be tagged an unfavorable trend.

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Buying is now being done on the normal replacement and new operator level, they stressed, and present and average output of from 1,000 to 50 per cent drop in output to the 2,500 units per month by major firms is adequate to return normal profits.

#### Prices Stable

Timed with the fall-off in production, some bulk vender makers have sought to stimulate extra buying by reducing prices. This, however, does not indicate any lower price trend in the bulk field, as most manufacturers say such reductions are not too feasible at this time. They point out that cost of glass globes went up about 23 cents per globe over last year, and that cost of parts and decals have also risen during the last 12 months. This, combined with higher labor, general overhead costs, makes an industry-wide lower price program unlikely, they reason.

A production, price, model check (See Mjrs. Optimistic on page 100)

#### Chrome Trim

The cabinet is constructed of heavy gauge steel, has rounded corners, with doors at the front, top and one side to allow access to the interior for servicing. The vender is finished in ivory and green with chrome trim. A large lock-type coin box is furnished.

Selection of flavor is made by depositing the coin in the slot opposite the flavor sign desired. Delivery is automatic. There are no buttons to push. A decorative plastic arrow over the dispensing faucet is illuminated as the coin is deposited. The flavor signs have constant illumination.

Adjustable controls are provided to vary the amount of water and sirup served with each drink. The ratio of sirup and water in each of the two drinks dispensed may be adjusted independently. Refrigeration system

(See Bradley Cup on page 99)

# **Juice Bar Ups Vend** Capacity

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Deliveries of an improved model of the Juice Bar, increasing its capacity by more than 80 per cent, are being made, Jack Cross, president of the Juice Bar Corporation, announced this week. The machine, which vends individual-size cans of fruit juice, now holds 546 six-ounce cans, as compared with the earlier model's capacity of 300.

Cross said the modification was made to keep machines operative on location with fewer servicings. The changeover was accomplished thruthe complete redesign of the loading racks. He pointed out that owners of the earlier model may obtain the new racks and have them installed No other with little difficulty. change has been made in the vender and the outside measurements of the machine remain he same.

Juice Bars now list at \$820. In quantities of more than five, the price per unit dips to \$785.

George M. Seedman, in reporting cago; Curtiss Candy Company, Chithe names of the new exhibitors, said that with three months yet remaining before opening day, 197 booths have already been sold. "This recognition of the show's importance to automatic merchandising is even more significant when one realizes that the 1949 space is 55 per cent larger than in 1948," he stated.

The new exhibitors are: Badger New York; Electric Cashier Corpora-Vending Machines, Inc., Milwaukee; tion, Burlington, Vt., and the U.S. Samuel Eppy & Company, Inc., Long | Department of Commerce,

**Calendar** for Coinmen

September 8-Michigan Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association, Inc. (MAPOA), monthly meeting, Maccabees Building, Detroit.

September 12-Music Operators of America (MOA), executive committee, special meeting, Morrison Hotel, Chicago,

September 13-Music Operators' Association, Inc. (MOA), Chapter 1, monthly meeting, Indianapolis Athletic Club, Indianapolis. September 13-Automatic Phonograph Owners' Association

(APOA), monthly meeting, Hotel Gibson, Cincinnati,

September 13 and 27-Amusement Machine Association of Philadelphia (AMAP), semi-monthly meetings, Broadwood Hotel, Philadelphia.

September 14-Operators of Northern Illinois (ONI), regular monthly dinner meeting, Wing and Fin Club, Fox Lake, Ill.

September 14-15-National Coin Machine Distributors Association (NCMDA), annual meeting, Bismarck Hotel, Chicago,

September 25-26-South Dakota Phonograph Association (SDPA), quarterly meeting, Marvin Hughitt Hotel, Huron, S. D.

September 28-Michigan Miniature Bowling Association (MMBA), monthly meeting, Jericho Building Detroit,

October 3- Washington Music Guild (WMG), monthly meeting, Washington.

October 24-26-Popcorn industries' convention and show, Palmer House, Chicago,

November 14-17-American Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages (ABCB) annual convention and exhibition, Convention Hall, Detroit,

November 27-30-National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA), annual convention and exposition, Convention Hall, Atlantic City.

(Association officials are invited to submit convention and scheduled meetings information to the Coin Machine Editor, The Billboard 188 W Randolph Street, Chicago 1, for listing in this calendar 1

City; C. C. Bradley & Co., Syracuse; LaRue Int., Inc., **Takes Over Leon** Silver Company

> SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 3.-LaRue International, Inc., is the new name of the firm formerly known as Leon "Hi-Ho" Silver, Inc. The firm will te headed by E. LaRue, Silver recently resigned his position with the company.

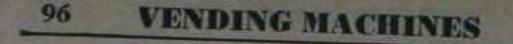
LaRue International will continue to distribute the Acorn Vender and Character Charms in Northern California. In addition to these lines, accessories and merchandise for operators will be carried. Company is broadening its trade area and a contact for import and export to Tokyo has plready been established. A recent contract deal calls for the firm to handle exclusive distribution of a candy vending line for the export trade in the wholesale and retail field.

The new head of LaRue has been in the coin machine field for several vears.

# **Deliveries** on **Book-o-Mat To Begin Shortly**

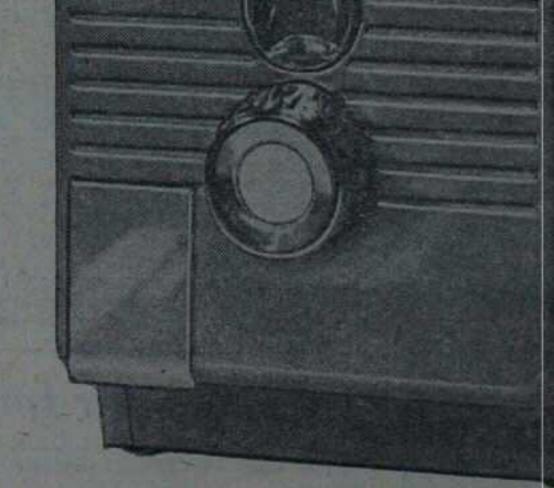
NEW YORK, Sept. 3.-Automatic Book Vending, producers of Book-o-Mat, are scheduled to begin delivery next week according to an announcement by Irving Goldstein, executive. The machine on test in this area for several months, is now in production, following completion of several changes to ease quantity output.

Goldstein said initial deliveries of the vender would go to operators in Chicago, Cincinnati and Cleveland, in addition to this area. Book-o-Mat. with a capacity of 225 pocket-size volumes, in 16 selections, lists at \$225.



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#### Peanut Report

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 .- Shelled peanuts used in candy and related products totaled 439,977,000 pounds in the 1948'-49 season ending July 31, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics (BAE) revealed this week. This compares with 453,478,000 pounds used for similar purposes in the same period of 1947-'48.

Shelled peanuts used in peanut candy alone in the 1948-'49 season totaled 75,606,000 pounds, compared with 88,363,000 pounds used the previous year. Edible grades used in salted peanuts in the 1948-'49 season totaled 109,908,000 pounds, compared with 106,919,000 pounds used for the same purpose the previous period. Edible grades used in peanut butter, including peanut butter for use in candy, sandwiches and other products, totaled 248,155,000 pounds in the 1948-'49 season ended July 31, as compared with 253,100,000 pounds in the similar period ended July 31 last year. The use in other primary products totaled 6,308,000 pounds last season, compared with 5,096,000 pounds the previous year.

Millings of stock peanuts during the 1948-'49 season ended July 31 totaled 1,961,000 pounds. Farmers stock cleaned and shelled so far this season totaled 1,834,000 pounds compared with 1,474,000 pounds thru July last year. Crushing thru July totaled 128,000,000 pounds, compared with 272,000,000 in the comparable date last season. Millings during July were below the previous month, but were at a relatively high level seasonably due to custom shelling of peanuts for export, the BAE reported.

The visible supply of peanuts held in commercial positions on July 31 totaled 208,000,000 pounds, farmers' stock equivalent basis. This compares with 343,000,000 pounds June 30 and 235,000,000 pounds July 31, 1948. Supplies of both cleaned and shelled goods were lower than on June 30 this year and July 31 last year. Shelled peanuts, including oil stock, reported used domestically in the current season to July 31 totaled 598,000,000 pounds, compared with 560,000,000 pounds thru July 31 last year. Edible grade shelled peanuts reported used this season to date totaled 440,000,000 pounds, compared with 453,000,000 reported used thru July 31 last year.

#### **Supplies in Brief**

39,589 tons in the corresponding week last year; importers, 12,098 tons this year, against 12,565 tons last year; mainland cane mills, 203 tons this year, 428 tons last year.

The week's figures brought the total distribution thru 1949 to August 13 to 4,660,365 tons, compared to 4,691,667 tons for the corresponding period last year.

#### **Pistachio Price Drop**

1949 crop of pistachio nuts, long a ever, that the price is now "quite staple in bulk vending machines, has stable." No further substantial drop brought the price to its lowest point in price is expected in the forseeable while wholesale sugar prices are aversince early in 1942. This was em- future, he added. phasized here this week as the Amer-I

ican Pistachio Corporation, 111 Reade Street, offered white, salted pistachios (small size) at 34 cents a pound and the red variety at 44 cents. The firm's Sugar Trends new price list went into effect Thursday (1).

Attributing the current low price to a substantial increase in the quantities imported, in addition to the large crop, Frank Cousa, president of American Pistachio, noted that the price of the nuts has dropped as much as 25 to 30 cents per pound in the NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- A bumper last three months. He claimed, how-

Pistachios are imported from Syria, than last year.

Turkey, Italy, Afghanistan and Iran. Cousa operates his own processing plant in Syria. He has been in the business here for the past 20 years. He offers vending operators four different grades of pistachios, priced according to size,

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3. - Production, consumption and price of sugar are all showing increases over last year, Agriculture Department reported. The domestic cane sugar crop for 1949 is estimated at 17 per cent above 1948, while the beet sugar crop is expected to be about the same. Sugar consumption for the first six months of this year was some 300,000 tons above the same period in 1948, aging about 1/2-cent a pound higher



#### Sugar Quotas

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3. - The Agriculture Department has announced a revision of allotments of 1949 sugar quotas for Puerto Rico. The revision uses final 1949 production data in the formula determining the allotments and removes the restriction of marketings which has limited marketings prior to September 1 to 80 per cent of the allotments previously determined.

#### Sweet Stuff

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3. - Distribution of sugar by primary distributors in the United States for civilian and military use during the week ended August 13 totaled 168,293 short tons, raw value, compared with 194,-859 tons during the corresponding week last year, the Agriculture Department reported.

Deliveries were reported as follows: Refiners, 119,123 short tons during the week ended August 13 this year, as compared with 111,040 tons the corresponding week last year; beet processors, 36,869 tons for the week this year, as compared with

#### **Owens-Illinois** Names New **Beverage Division Head**

TOLEDO, Sept. 3. - Smith Rairdon, vice-president and general sales manager of Owens-Illinois Glass Company, announced the appointment of Joseph J. O'Shnughnessy as sales manager of firm's beverage division. O'Shaughnessy, who now vacates his post as New York branch salesman, has been with Owens-Illinois for 15 years. He succeeds Joseph Coghlin, who resigned.

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Summing it up, Glenn concluded:

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.The potential sugar famine, if it becomes a fact, would be damaging to the American people not only as consumers, but also thru resultant curtailments in the food processing industries which employ hundreds of thousands of workers, Glenn declared.

**ABCB** Reveals Bottlers' Sales and Ad Cost for 1948

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 .- American Bottlers of Carbonated Beverages (ABCB), reporting results of its survey of costs and sales for 1948, states that bottlers spent \$38,694,250 in local advertising and that estimated sales totaled 1,018,270,000 cases for the year. Ads were designed to supplement the national advertising program carried out by franchise companies,

Survey showed that the average bottlers' ad cost, per case, was 3.8 cents. Assuming that advertising expenditures by franchise firms equaled or exceeded those of bottlers, ABCB states that a reasonable estimate of total industry advertising expenses for 1948 would be \$77,388,520.

Bottlers' per case advertising cost for several years prior to 1948 follow: 1940, 4.3 cents; 1941, 4.4 cents; 1942, 3.1 cents; 1943, 2.5 cents; 1944, 3.1 cents; 1945, 3.5 cents, and 1946, 3.9 cents. In 1947, 3.8 cents per case was earmarked for ad costs, same figure as in 1948.

ABCB also stated that the soft drink industry's total investment in bottling plant buildings and equipment is estimated to be between \$600,000,000 and \$700,000,000.



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# NAMA Invites Firms To Sked Sales Meets During 1949 Confab

CHICAGO, Sept. 3.—A blanket invitation to manufacturers and suppliers in the vending machine field to schedule sales meetings during the 1949 convention was issued this week by the National Automatic Merchandising Association (NAMA). Move was made to enable firms to tie in with the salesmanship theme of the convention.

Ford S. Mason, NAMA president said: "Every conventioneer will be sales-minded ... at the 1949 show, a fact conducive to conferences where salesmen can meet the men who use their products or who may be sold on using them in the future."

The 1948 NAMA convention and exhibit was attended by over 4,000 operators, manufacturers and suppliers, Mason reported. With much more space on a single floor and the promise of many new and improved venders and products this year, officials predict that over 5,000 visitors will journey to Atlantic City for the larger 1949 show.

# Distrib Airs Views On Scale Operation

(Continued from page 95) pennies in circulation now than at any time in the nation's history, because of sales taxes, etc., the potential earnings of scales are as great, or greater, than formerly. With the novelty long vanished for the 79-year-old business today's operator profits by the greater health consciousness of the average person.

Pointing to the wide divergence of profitable scale operations, sizewise, Barok reports records show individual operators have as many as 1,000 units, while over 6,000 operators have from 10 to 300 units. The Woolworth Company owns and operates an estimated 5,000 scales in its 5 and 10-cent emporiums over the country, he adds.

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According to Barok the average annual gross of a scale is \$50.

#### BRADLEY CUP MACHINE

(Continued from page 95) is of the hermetically sealed capillary type.

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The Junior Model D lists at \$895, f.o.b., Cortland. Changers are supplied as optional equipment. E. A. Dunning, vice-president in charge of manufacturing, said the company had set as its goal the output of 100 units a month. This level should be reached "in the very near future," he said.

Officers of Bradley-Edlund, in addition to Dunning, are W. J. During, president; Earl Mason, vice-president in charge of sales, and C. Goodwin Bradley, secretary-treasurer. Sales offices are at 432 North Franklin Street here.

#### Memphis Tobacco Axes Mail Cig Sales to Ark.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Sept. 3.—The Memphis (Tenn.) Tobacco Company has advised State Revenue Commissioner Dean Morley that it has discontinued mail order shipments of cigarettes to Arkansas.

Commissioner Morley said that if evidence of mail order purchases of cigarettes by Arkansans from other firms are uncovered, he will ask federal authorities to act.

#### **Dixie Declares Dividend**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—Dixie Cup Company's board of directors declared Class A and common stock dividends this week. For Class A, dividend No. 81 (regular quarterly) of 62½ cents per share is payable October 1 to stockholders of record September 10. Common stock, dividend No. 67 (quarterly) of 25 cents per share. will be paid September 26 to stockholders of record September 10.



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(Continued from page 95) on bulk vender makers follows: III., in production at the rate of 2,500 line. With recent 10 to 13 per cent reductions in price (The Billboard, July 23) President W. E. Bolen lists

40; \$9.95, Model 33 Ballgum; \$10.95, Model 33; \$12.25, Model 39. Firm's Northwestern Corporation, Morris, Model '49 line, which was not reduced, remains at \$17,55, with a units per month on its six-model \$17.25 tag on over 25 unit orders. Bolen reports that the lowest quantity discount is allowed on purchases of 100 or more machines, but that per unit prices as \$8.95 for Model the price differential between a 'sample" (single) machine and the lowest quantity price is only 50 to 60 cents, depending upon the model.

#### Victor Line

Victor Vending Corporation, Chicago, in production on a four model line, lists prices for its units as follows: Topper (per case of four machines) \$10.50 each, with per unit price dropping to \$10 on over 100 machine orders; Model V, \$12.75 each, packed two in a case, with a \$12 peg on over 23 machine orders; Custom Universal, \$13.95, with over 23 unit orders \$13.50 each; Deluxe Universal, \$14.95, with over 23 quan-tity orders at \$14.40 each; Model VK, \$12.25, over 23 at \$11.50 each. There is an extra charge of 50 cents per unit if desired with smooth synthetic red baked enamel finish. All models may also be had in cabinet type, which adds \$2 to the per unit price. Latter feature 25 per cent greater capacity and plastic front.

Atlas Manufacturing & Sales Corporation, Cleveland, producing 1.500 units per month, does not have special quantity prices for operators. W. A. Jenkins, president, quotes a per unit price of \$14.50 for firm's line of bulk venders. This is a \$2 increase over former price, effected late last year.

Oak Manufacturing Company, Los Angeles, lists its Acorn Vendor at \$13.95; \$13.45 when purchased in lots of over 100. Columbus Vending Company, Columbus, O., offers Model 46Z at \$13; 2 to 11 units, \$12; 12 to 47, \$11.50. Model 46ZB, \$13.75 each; 2 to 11 units, \$12.75; 12 to 47, \$12.25. Silver-King-Corporation, Chicago in production on a line of bulk vend ers priced from \$13.95 to \$45 for target type units. H. F. Burt, presi dent, states the current price list ha been in effect since the present corporation was formed in 1945. Firm' Silver King and Charm King line list for \$13.95 for samples, with price dropping to \$10.55 on orders of 50 or more.

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#### **Fielding Drops Price**

Fielding Manufacturing Company Jackson, Mich., producing about 1,000 units per month, lowered prices in May this year. Sample lists for \$6.95 (formerly \$7.50), with six unit orders priced at \$6.75 each (was \$7.50) and 12 and over orders bringing per unit price to \$6.50 (formerly \$7.25).

Boyd Manufacturing Company, Valley Station, Ky., offers its "Lucky Boy" Vendors for \$9.75 each, with \$7.75 each the peg when 25 and more are ordered.

Trimount Coin Machine Company Boston, is no longer manufacturing bulk venders, firm's David Bond reports.

Ford Gum & Machine Company, Inc., Lockport, N. Y., continues to offer a per unit price of \$20 which includes placement on location and a stock of 500 Ford Branded Ball Gum. All units are placed on an exclusive territorial basis, with 500 units the minimum order. Ford S. Mason, president, states that his firm has not changed the price of its machines during the past 15 years.

#### **Bastian-Blessing Dividend**

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Bastian-Blessing Company announced this week that a 75-cent quarterly dividend has been declared for the third quarter. It is payable October I to stockholders of record September 15.

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# **Turning Back the Clock**

#### 15 Years Ago This Week

CHICAGO, Sept. 1, 1934 .- The Metropolitan Skill Games Board of Trade won its lengthly court battle to have diggers legalized. The hearing on the digger in question developed into a digger match in court between the police and a supposed skilled digger player. The court told him which items he should try for and the player managed to latch onto each with his served peanuts in a paper bag. . crane. During the exhibition the player took out an estimated \$20 worth of merchandise for the \$4 70 in nickels he put in the digger. Folboomed in New York.

Newark director of public safety rec- D. Gottlieb's Deluxe Grip Scale. ommended dropping of the limitation games. His recommendation was ac- Company, Legal Coin- Machine Comcepted. Prior to September, 1934, the number of pins in Newark was limited to 1,500. One reason for dropping the clause was the fact that favor- completed remodeling his new showitism in the issuance of licenses was charged by several coinmen. . . Ray that firm had its best summer business in its history. . . Games proving money makers for ops in September, 1934, included Genco's Subway, listed were Are You Having Any Fun?, at \$29.50; Bally's Champion; Exhibit Mexiconga and What's New? Supply's Golden Gate; Pacific Amuse-Push-Over.

coin machine business in France was amazing. While pin games were the opened almost overnight in the capi- workers ended in the Seattle area, tal's busiest sections. Marseilles had giving ops in Washington's largest American jobbing firms opened offices there. At Lyons, diggers and pins were being sold like hot cokes by Humbert & Company. . . F. Burgeson, Jennings representative, had an office in Denver. Later Burgeson became one of Jennings leading distributors in Iowa and Minnesota. One of the newer top locations in '34 was the bus terminal. Some ops went so far as to sign contracts with bus companies to place equipment in stops along bus routes. . . Otto Jaeger, pioneer in the development of venders, died.

completed expansion work on its plant. Later this firm became known as Coan Manufacturing and turned out U-Select-It machines.

Business was booming in New Orleans, partly from a general improvement in the nation's business and partly because of an exceptional summer tourist trade. . . One of surprises of the week was the debut of the Jennings In-a-Bag bulk vender. This Other new prdoucts included Genco's Mr. Chips, Keency's '39-Super Track Time, Chicago Coin's Sports, Western Products Jitterbug Ball, Baker Novlowing the ruling the digger business elty's Pick-a-Pack cigarette vender, Daval's Triple Threat, Stoner's Davy Meanwhile, in New Jersey, the Jones, H. C. Evans' Lucky Star and

Among the new Detroit operating clause on the number of pinball firms were the Nelson Amusement pany and the North Woodward Amusement Company. . . Joe Ash. Active Amusements, Philadelphia, rooms. . . The Billboard's Record Buying Guide listed The Man With the Moloney, Bally president, announced Mandolin. The Jumpin' Jive and Moon Love as the top three tunes of September, 1939. Other songs picked to make hits before the end of the year

Indiana ops were making their first ment's Major League and Gottlieb's attempts to form an association. . Music activity continued to rise to Reports originating in principal new heights. In September, 1939, cities indicated that the growth of the Wurlitzer, Rock-Ola and Mills had trailers touring the country as well as scores of field men covering pracfavorite of the French players, 'he tically any town which could possibly fad in 1934 was diggers and, as a re- handle a juke. In addition to the sult, hundreds of locations had them. steady sale of new equipment several Another new development was the firms were making a success of selling sudden spread of arcades thruout the more up to date fronts for old macountry. In Paris, several areades chines. , A long strike of ferry boat



CHARMS NEW PLATED FOOTBALLS EMBOSSED WITH NAMES OF COLLEGE TEAMS COPPER PLATED FOOTBALLS . \$ 6.00 per M GOLD PLATED FOOTBALLS ... 10.00 per M **Penny King Company** Pittsburgh 20, Pa. 415 Neptune Street



#### 10 Years Ago This Week

CHICAGO, Sept. 2, 1939 .- Pointing up the growth of the vending business was the large number of operators attending the Candy Show in Chicago. In previous years the same event drew only a smattering of automatic merchandising operators. . . Straight novelty games were ruled okay in Oregon. . . Most of the industry was girding for heavy fall play with little knowledge that the second World War was about to get under way. Coan-Sletteland Company, Madison, Wis.,

#### Mass. Okays Tobacco Tax

BOSTON, Sept. 3 .- Over violent protests from 250 dealers and manulacturers Gov. Paul Dever signed into law a new 10 per cent tax on cigars and tobacco sold at retail to become effective December 1, An additional 1 cent tax on cigarettes also was approved in the closing days of the session of the Legislature. This tax will go into effect September 1. The proceeds from the cigar and tobacco tax will be used to finance a \$4 a month bonus to Massachusetts old time activities." Associated Greater Boston Tobacco Retailers protested in person and thru front page newspaper ads, pointing out that consumchusetts Cigarette Tax Act in 1939.

become the center of business for the city a new lease on life. The stopping South France coin biz and many of the ferries had hurt Puget Sound ops at a time when they should have been doing their best business.

#### R-M Displays New **Coffee-Coke Machine** For Dixie Operators

CHATTANOOGA, Sept. 3 .- Rudd-Melikian, Inc., placed its new combination hot coffee-soft drink Kwif Kafe vender on display at the Hotel Patten here Tuesday (30). Showing unveiled the unit for operators in this area.

K. C. Melikian, vice-president, said the vender dispensed 450 servings of coffee and 650 servings of Coca-Cola.

#### **Congress** Pigeonholes

Mail Order Ciggie Bill WASHINGTON, Sept. 3 .- With the bill restricting mail order sales of cigarettes having again failed to pass the Senate on a call of the unanimous consent calendar Saturday (27), the House - approved measure seems doomed at least for this session.

The bill is designed to aid the States in collecting their cigarette taxes by forcing mail order firms to register their invoices with State tax collectors. Tho the bill has the approval of the Senate Finance Committee as well as the House, several senators have objected to it on the grounds that it sets a precedent for the federal government to enforce State tax laws,

R. W. Bowdidge Announces Affiliation With New Firm SALT BAKE CITY, Sept. 3 .- R. W. age assistance recipients for "leisure Bowdidge has announced the discontinuance of the Utah-Idaho Distributors, in which he had been a partner.

Bowdidge is now manager of the Automatic Dispensers Company here, ers have contributed \$120,847,201.38 dealing in sales and service of drink since the enactment of the Massa- dispensers and change-making equipment

Buys this penny weighing scale. The head and post of this penny weighing scale are made of pure aluminum. when highly polished and anodized it takes on a satin silver finish and makes it look like a piece of jewelry. It looks nice with any fixtures and will also stand the weather.

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# ADVANCE FOLK (COUNTRY & WESTERN) RECORD RELEASES

#### (Continued from page 32)

Little Mother of the Hills Blue Sky Boys (Shake Hands) V(75)21-0108; (45)48-0111

Molly and Tenbrooks B. Monroe & His Blue Grans Boys (I'm Going) Col 20612

New Orleans Stomp

- J. Dunnigan, R. Gilbert & the Louisiana. Swing Boys (Up Jumped) World 1514 Ol' Phare Didn't Know My Land
- C. Boyd (Got on) Donett 333
- Pass the Turnip Greens
- B. Boyd-L Boyd (Poison Ivy) V(78)21-0109; (45)48-0112

Poison Ivy

- B. Boyd-M. Montgomery (Pass the) V(78)21-0109; (45)46-0112 Sailor's Plea
- R. Lindsey (Penitentiary Blues) Talent 711

Smoky Mountain Moon

J. Work (I Would) Dec 46181 Shake Hands With Your Mother Today Biue Sky Boys (Little Mother) V(78)21-0108r (45)46-0111

Tennessee Border-No. 2 Homer & Jethro (I'm Gettin')

- V(78)21-0110; (45)48-0113 The Letter I Never Did Mail
- C. Boyd (Horse Pickin') Donett 555

B. Nettles & His Dixie Blue Boys (Do Right) Mere 6209 BMI Why Don't You Haul Off and Love Me P. Pyle (Think Twice) Bullet 689 BMI Women Make a Fool Out of Me J. Bond (Drowning My) Col (78)20609; (LP)2-319 BMI Wrong Number Red River Dave" (Pirst Love) MGM 10507 You Can't Take Tesas Out of Me S. Cooley (I've Got) V(74)20-3547; (45) 17-3040 You're Gonna Change (or I'm Gonna

This Cold War With You.

Up Jumped the Boogey Man -

C. Boyd (Do You) Donett 211

(LP)20615

Too Many Teardrops

Leave) H. Williams (Lost Highway) MGM 10506

F. Tillman (Til Never) Col (76) 20813;

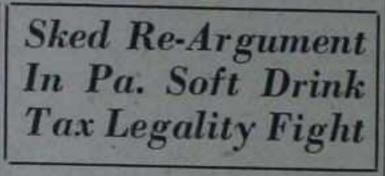
R. Heflin, R. Gilbert & the Louisians

Swing Hoys (New Orleans) World 1514 Why Don't You Haut Off and Love Ma

Yon'll Never Have My Love Any More F. Willing & His Riders of the Purple

Sage (Your Tears) Cap 57-40228 BMI Your Tears Came Too Late

F. Willing & His Biders of the Purple Sane (You'll Never) Cap 57-40228 ASCAP



HARRISBURG, Pa., Sept. 3 .- With several additional briefs in the hopper, Dauphin County Court has listed Cleopatra, introduced to the trade a re-argument on the nearly twoyear-old soft drink tax constitutionality fight of bottlers and manufacturers.

The re-argument is scheduled for September 16 in equity suits brought by the Penn Syrup Company, the Philadelphia Coca-Cola Bottling Company and the Pepsi-Cola Company against the State Department of Revenue.

#### New W. Va. Firm Chartered

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Sept. 3 .-Secretary of state has issued a charter to Delbarton Amusement Corporation, of Delbarton, Authorized capital stock is \$30,000, of which \$15,000 is paid-in. Incorporators are: F. M. Allara and T. W. Hope, both of Matewan, and T. B. Harvey, of Delbarton.

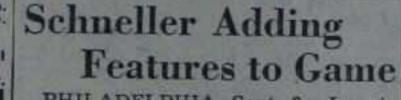


Nots Up to 75¢ of Every Dollar You Take In!

"A real money maker from the moment you install it!" That's what operators say about the new "Hunter." But that's not all. Look at these two features, 1. No coin return. 2. No gum dispensed unless the player wants it. That's why many report a net of 75¢ out of every \$1 the "Humber" takes in. Can you beat that for a "Cold Mine?" Order now through your jobber or write for illustrated literature.

Silver King Bulk Vendors low as \$10.55 in quantities, "Hot Nut," Nut and Ball-Gum Vendors, 1¢, 5¢, 2 for 1¢. U. S. and Foreign Coins,

SILVER KING CORP. 622 Diversey Parkway Chicago 14, III.



PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 3.-Lennie Schneller, of Nate Schneller, Inc., producers of Nasco pin game conversions, announced this week that the game, Cleopatra, is now being released with several features of Film Cavalcade, the most recent Nasco product.

several months ago, was converted from Tropicana.

Intro New Finishing Unit For Use by Manufacturers DETROIT, Sept. 3 .- A new finishing machine that is said to achieve smooth, vibrationless operation with straight-line rubbing, sanding and polishing is being introduced by the Detroit Surfacing Machine Company, An electric-driven, portable model, it is used in straight-line sanding, dupli- is cracking down on bottlers to keep cating the natural back-and-forth motion of hand work.

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The model is designed to work right up to moldings or right angles without marring. Designed for one-hand operation, an additional front handle ber 1. is readily attached when two-hand operation is useful. A new type of abrasive (sandpaper) holder permits attachment of several sheets at one loading.

The new patented drive mechanism and other features have been developed by engineers of the company and of the Dobson Engineering Company, and placed on the market after two years of field tests.

A number of models have been ordered by at least one large coin machine manufacturer, and others are being used by operators of beverage venders, juke boxes, and shuffleboards for refinishing operations in their own shops.



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Meantime, the revenue department a closer check on taxes. Now they must use crown stamps on all bottles, showing the tax has been paid. This regulation went into effect Septem-

The soft drink levy-1 cent for each 12 ounces of bottled drink and 1/2 a cent an ounce for fountain sirup -was the subject of a bitter fight in two sessions of the State Legislature. It was first imposed in 1947 and renewed by the 1949 session for another two years. Annual revenue amounts to about \$14,500,000.

Chief point of the bottlers and companies in seeking to have the levy declared unconstitutional is that it is imposed at an equal rate on sirups and drinks "with substantial variation in quality."

#### **Diamond Match Eliminates Midwestern Sales Division**

NEW YORK, Sept. 3. - Diamond Match Company has realigned its domestic sales territory into two major divisions, Eastern and Western, Vice-President Victor Kendall announced this week. Formerly the company's sales division had been operating with three divisions; Eastern, Western and Midwestern, Latter division has been eliminated and its territory divided between the first two, so as to give each approximately equal population coverage.

O. E. Lowe, former Midwestern manager, will head the new Western division. Eugene Reed continues as manager of the expanded Eastern division.



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ALL BIZ UPSWING UNDER WAY

# **Coin** Machine **Pic Brightens In Twin Cities**

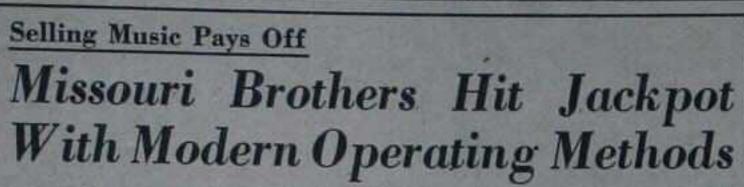
#### Music, Pins Lead Way

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 3.—Upswing in business, with pins and music getting a good share of the play, is under way in the Twin Cities market, according to jobbers.

For the first time in months operators are coming in to buy equipment for their routes, with the new array of pins of special interest to many of them.

Summertime business was 30 to 40 per cent off that of the rest of the year, but operators are looking ahead to the post-Labor Day season when they expect activity to move upward at all of their locations.

Distributors report that the new pin games being introduced by the manufacturers is intriguing many operators who are ordering heavily to have machines on hand.



and Lawson Obermiller, brothers, have become outstanding examples of how music operators can build their business into a successful operation and at the same time become an important part of their community. They have developed the business of selling music into a science, with the result that locations find their music machines going full-blast most of the time.

Whether making selections for boisterous campus dance centers or comfortable, cool restaurants catering and must not be overlooked. to more sedate adults, the Obermiller brothers always know their little business while students at Uniaudiences. They spend many hours each week keeping abreast of musical trends, location preferences for types of music, and even seasonal changes in the activity of the public. They pick their music to fit the mood of each establishment's audience.

COLUMBIA, Mo., Sept. 3 .- Freddy | just machines that play tunes. It is a service that we want our customers to appreciate. They know the kind of music they like. We do our best to make it available to them."

He pointed out that Columbia, with Stephens and Christian girl colleges, the University of Missouri and the town's greatly increased business activity in recent years has provided one of the most diversifed audiences to be found. Here are people from all the nation, bringing with them their individual and territorial appreciations for music. Tastes vary greatly

Not long after they started their versity of Missouri in 1943 the brothers realized the need for establishing they have been for the past two methods to determine the kind of mu- years. sic that would be played most.

making our handy sideline into a business, but after graduation we Says Freddy: "We sell music, not (See Missouri Brothers on page 110)

# Juke, Shuffle Set Pace With Early Buying

#### All Phases in Act

CHICAGO, Sept. 3.-For the first time in more than a year, the music machine industry is looking to the fall-winter season with optimism. With many of the operator-members of the music field now in the shuffleboard business as well, the picture in both operations has brightened considerably during the past few weeks. This holds true at every level, from the operator thru the distributor and up to the manufacturer, where, in both cases, late August and early September orders are higher than

On the music front, operator col-"We hadn't thought much about lections thruout the country took an upswing starting about two weeks ago, and the upswing, altho small, continued as the Labor Day weekend arrived. Distributors reported orders for September delivery on new equipment started coming in during the past two weeks of August, with the volume exceeding expectations. Factories, almost without exception, also reported stepped-up orders, and, as a result, increased production and deliveries.

(See FALL BIZ on page 108)

**Trans-Vue Adv.** 

**Record Inventory System Helps Aireon Appoints Operator Slice Disk Costs 25% Pittsburgh Rep** CHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 3 .- Perfec- | and with a minimum of haggling tion of an inventory system, leading with location representatives over

to the close control of every record which and how many new records

KANSAS CITY, Kan., Sept. 3. -The Keystone Music Company, Pittsburgh, this week was named distributor for Aireon Manufacturing Corporation by Bernard D. Craig, general sales manager. Keystone will cover Western Pennsylvania and a part of West Virginia for Aireon, Craig reported. Keystone is headed by Anthony Ripepi, who has been operating music equipment in the Pittsburgh area for many years. Accepting the Aireon distributorship marks his entry into this phase of the business. Keystone headquarters are at 1431 Fifth Avenue, Pittsburgh, where a complete Aireon line of equipment and parts will be maintained.

tensive route, was credited by R. C. Carpenter this week with reducing his record costs by 25 per cent since a 25-mile radius from his base here, he instituted the system about six said the system was begun in 1943 years ago.

Carpenter has taken from his routemen the responsibility of picking records for their stops and has given the job to one man who, over the years, has become a specialist in this allimportant work. George Wilson, Carpenter's record specialist, prepares the records each routeman takes with him on his day's tour, permitting the routeman to get in and out of locations in a minimum of time

#### placed in juke boxes thruout his ex- are to go into phonographs. War-Time Step

Carpenter, whose route extends in when war-time shortages in man power forced him to streamline his operation. But it has worked out so successfully, he stated, "that we no longer plan to return to the old method."

Each of the operation's routemen (Carpenter has 10 employees), on checking in at the end of his daily tour, places in a special file the record requests received that day. These (See Disk Inventory on page 106)

# **Post to Mandl**

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- The Trans-Vue Corporation, manufacturer of commercial and home television systems, this week appointed Fil Mandl advertising and sales promotion manager. The announcement was made by R. R. Greenbaum, president. Mandl was formerly vice-president and account executive of the Harry J. Lazarus Advertising Agency here and, in that capacity, directed the advertising and sales promotion of Trans-Vue for the past year.

Prior to joining the Lazarus org. Mandl was an account executive with the Ivan Hill Advertising Agency in this city. He assumes his new post with Trans-Vue immediately,

#### Videograph in Move To New H'dquarters

NEW YORK, Sept. 3 .- Videograph Corporation, producers of a coinoperated, combination juke boxtelevision set, moved its executive Tolisano, head of Superior Music Comoffices this week to 701 7th Avenue here and its factory facilities to 238 Williams Street.

The firm was formerly located at 601 West 26th Street.

#### **Juke Op Seeks Injunction**

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 3. - Pete S. Pellegrino, juke box operator, filed suit in Superior Court here seeking an injunction against the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW). The suit is one of a number filed in a jurisdictional dispute between the IBEW and the Teamsters. Union.

#### Association Moves

TARRYTOWN, N. Y., Sept. 3.-Headquarters of the Automatic Mutic Operators Association here has moved its headquarters from 68 Main Street to 174 Valley Street. Secrelary of the group is S. Pollack.

# Juke Op Airs Views on How To Make Summer Stops Profitable

pany, has some experience-backed ideas on "summer only" placement of juke boxes. Such locations should not be looked upon as temporary spots, good only for grosses during the short summer season with hit or miss installation of older, spare machines, he states,

Operating resort and similar seasonal locations several years ago, Tolisano has since discontinued the practice. Instead he now takes a different approach to the placement of music equipment in such spots. With plus added service calls which Superior Music, these locations are usually are more frequent than in no longer 8-week (or the normal) resort season) stops. Those that cannot be utilized as even marginal year- year-round basis, however, these entirely. In his own words: "The operator who wants to push all his efforts behind summer stops should look around his own territory, take the best summer stops and convert these into year-round operations. Profits are better and the headaches fewer," In the long run if a location is good for only the summer it is not a worthwhile proposition, Tolisano says.

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 3. - Jim | Formerly, when he operated seasonal locations, only machines in A-1 shape were used, as customers looked and asked for new equipment. With the screening of such locations so as to create year-round stops, use of newer machines was justified and proved profitable. With the high summer gross serving to balance the lean fall, winter and early spring months, a reasonable annual profit can be expected.

against purely summer season placement of equipment, Tolisano said the distances, often 50 and 55 miles out, city spots, eat too heavily into profits. parking facilities for 50 cars and When such installations are on a round locations have been eliminated costs are absorbed more readily and being made in line with the firm's a better profit picture is realized.

can be converted into full 12-month locations, are lake resorts where winter activity (such as sleighing, ice skating, tobogganing, etc.) keeps them open continuously. Amusement arcades operated in conjunction with such resorts prove good bets, Tolisano headquarters maintained by Southern has found.

So. Automatic Buys **Building To House** Fort Wayne Hdqrs.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Sept. 3. -The Southern Automatic Music this week closed a deal here to purchase a 9,000 square foot floor space build-Pointing up additional factors ing at 3011 Maumee Avenue. The new and larger headquarters for the local branch of the distributing firm will offer Northern Indiana, and some Michigan and Ohio county operators more complete service, including trucks.

Move to the new quarters, which is program of expanding its coin-op-Best bets for summer stops, which crated equipment lines, will be made in two days, it was stated by firm officials. The company's merchandising, parts, shop equipment and office divisions will be moved as business continues as usual, it was said.

Fort Wayne offices are one of six Automatic Music in as many cities.

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CONSTELLATION ENGINE	RALPH FLANAGAN	You're So Understanding Flanagan, Victor's own selection Miller style and an interest in makes much of this still pr Sound is excellent.	band diskings, umining song.
	ORK (Harry Prime) Bluebird 30-0002	It All Depends on You The standard, revived in the J swung royally by the Miller- Flanagan crew. Prime sings buy at 49 cents. The Wedding of Lilli Marks A fine reading of the new plug	well. A real ne 88908787
	BEN LIGHT Tempo TR 678	tradition of a decade ago is good voice. You Were Meant for Me Light tackies the standard in a his Steinway. If I Had You	67655570
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INCREASE Your	VAUGHN MONROE ORK RCA Victor 10-3531	Make Believe Not the "Showboat" tune, but number from the '20s, this one. Monroe treatment, figures to ge That Lucky Old Sun Monroe's robust rendition of th	83848383 given the full t ample play. 888888
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A SURE-FIRE PLAN		ment, and if the tune pops if be the top money version. Everything They Said Came T Vocal group and orking sound to here. Tempe is right and the	rue 86878685
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<ul> <li>LOCATION TESTED for over a year in locations with and without Television</li> <li>GUARANTEED if used according to our simple instructions, to increase</li> </ul>		Give Me Some Sugar, Sugar I Cute ditty is given a two-temp Should register in both country a The Roller-Skaters Walts	po treatment.
your phonograph collections 25%, 50% up to and over 100% OR YOUR MONEY BACK.	Capitol 57-90010	Strict tempo walts has a metron of 92. Not much to listen to, rinks. It's strictly organ solo, Honey Undistinguished organ solo on the same tempo as flip.	but okay for 54525556
• SEND \$15.00 FOR 3 SAMPLE KITS	JULIE WILSON Columbia 38578	A Man Could Be a Wonderful A smart hunk of special material ably more effective when the gal a cute, sexy side, however.	that's prob-
Enough for 3 Phonographs. Additional Kits Available to Operators In Quantity Prices.		Good for Nothin' Lover A lot of stylizin' goes for name Mins Wilson's special fans will latch on.	636560 ht here, but undoubledly
Terms: Cash With Order All Orders Shipped in Order Received. ADVISE WHETHER 20, 24 OR 40 RECORD KITS ARE DESIRED	BOBBY DOYLE (Johnny Carris Ork) Coral 60095	All Is Lost A weak adaptation of the Brahms Dance No. 5" is warbled with virile-veiced Doyle. There's No Use Protending	51505252 "Rungarian big voice by 525252
- Sold Only by -	MILT HERTH TRIO	Entire effort lacks polish. The Last Mile Home Instrumental version of the pro- should score wherever organ is p	78787878
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It's a Great Feeling (It's a Great Feeling)	Remick	11	6	0	7	10	1	3	6	7	6	0		153
Just One Way To Say I Love You (Miss Liberty)	Berlin	4	6	0	7	3	9	2	12	2	6	0	5	4 157
Let's Take an Old Fashioned Walk (Miss Liberty)	Berlin	3	6	0	5	4		,	4	0	4	0	2	109
Little Fish in a Big Pond (Miss Liberty)	Berlin	1	4	0	5	1	6	0	4	0	1	0	4	4 80
Maybe It's Because	B. V. C.	2	10	0	7	4	5	2	7	4	4	0	5	130
My One and Only Highland Fling (Barkleys of Brosdway)	Harry Warren	4	9	1	2	4	2	4	2	5	7	0	1	84
Now, Now, Now Is the Time	Fremart	3	4	1	3	0	5	3	3	3	3	1	1	73
Now That I Need You (Red Hot & Blue)	Famous	2	12	0	10	3		0	8	1	2	0	6	146
Room Full of Roses	Hill & Rang	e 5	12	0	6	3	4	0	6	4	17	0	5	146
Some Enchanted Evening (South Pacific)	Williamson	5	8	2	3	7	7	7	3	3	4	1	3	119
Someday You'll Want Me	Duchess	3	7	0	3	3	4	4	5	8	3	0	3	98
Song of Surrender (Song of Surrender)	Paramount		4	1	4	5	2	2	4	3	4	0	3	90
Swiss Luflaby	Southern	5	-6	1	2	5	1	4	2	2	4	0	2	73
There's Yes, Yes in Your Eyes	Witmark	1	1	3	3	4	12	8	3	3	8	3	2	4 142
Through a Long and Sleepless Night (Come to the Stable)	Miller	7	29	0	,	7	21	1	,	6	19	0	6	257
Teot, Toot Tootsie (Joison Sings Again)	Feist	1	7	2	0	2	.5	5	1	1	10	2	0	4 84
Twenty-Four Hours of Sunshine	Advanced	10	11	0	4	0	4	6	4	4	5	0	2	112
Who Do You Know in Heaven?	Rebbins	1	15	0	5	0	12	3	5	3	10	0	2	135
Younger Than Springtime (South Pacific)	Williamson	4	4			2	2	1	6	5	3	0	4	92
You're Bresking My Heart	Algonquin	3		0	4	0	2	1	4	3		0	4	93



# **RECORDS MOST PLAYED BY DISK JOCKEYS**

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	Latt			
W.P.C.	Week	Week	Lie. By	
8	23	12.	WHISPERING HOPEJ. Stafford-G. MacRae-P. Weston OrkCap 57-690-ASCAP	
			(J. Inylor-The Radio Ranch Hands, Mer 6166)	
1	27	12.	JEALOUS HEART A. Morgan Ork. London 500-BMI	
3	8	15.	ROOM FULL OF ROSESJ. Wayne	
	10	15.	ROOM FULL OF ROSES D. Haymes D 24632-BMI	
	13	15,	HOMEWORKJ. Stafford-P. Weston Ork	
	÷.,		(Andrews Sisters, D 24600; H. Forrest, MGM 10473; The Pepper- ettes, Horace Heldt M 1012; D. Shore, Col (78) 38514, (LP) 1-261; Warren V 20-3460 & 47-2929; P. Reed, Dance-Tone 370)	
19	12	18.	AGAIN	
	17	19.	DID YOU SEE JACKIE ROB- INSON HIT THE BALL?B. JohnsonD 24675-BMI	
			(C. Basis Ork, V(78)20-3514, (45)47-2090)	
	21		DANCE OF THE HOURS S. Jones Ork	
		-	D Hanmas C Jankins Ork	
1		20.	MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE D. Haymer C D 24650-ASCAP	
2	-	22.	YOU'RE BREAKING MY HEART	
18	11	23.	SOME ENCHANTED EVE- NINGF. SinatraCol 38446-ASCAP	
		11.2	NOW THAT I NEED YOU Doris Day-Mellomen	
1	27	23.	NOW THAT I NEED TOD: DOI(78)35507; (LP)1-251	
			CONCIDENTIAL ASCAP	
			(K. Thompson, Dec 24695; E. Duchin Ork, Harmony 1058; F. Laine-C. Fisher's Ork, Mer 5311; B. Hutton, Cap 57-620; V. Lynn-B. Farnon Ork, London 459; J. Harvey, MGM 10453; J. Lynn-B. Farnon Ork, London 459; J. Harvey, MGM 10453; J. Garber, Cap 57-719; P. Warren, V(78)20-3482, (45)47-2941; T. Garber, Varsity 191; P. Reed, Dance-Tone 371)	
1	-	23.	1 NEVER SEE MAGGIE ALONE	
			(E. Lee & His Southerners, V Abroads, S. Alenders, S.	
121		100	MY BOLEROV. Damone, Mercury 5315-ASCAP	
1	-	26.		
	-	1	P Weston UTE Cap Street	
	23	27.	(B. Garrett & L. Parks, MGAA Idior, Little and	
	-	28.	HUCKLEBUCKF. Sinatra Col 38486; (LP)1-222-ASCAP	
10	19	28	BABY, IT'S COLD OUTSIDE. D. Shore-B. Clark	
			(P. Balley-Hot Lips Page, Harmony 1049; E. Fitzgerald-L. Jordan, Dec 24644; Lady Sybil Smythe-Bill Jacoby, Castle 1423; Jordan, Dec 24644; Lady Sybil Smythe-Bill Jacoby, Castle 1423; C. Calloway & His Cab Jivers, Hi-Tone 135; H. Babbitt & The Allen Sisters, Vocalion 55011; Homer & Jethro-J. Carter, The Allen Sisters, Vocalion 55011; Homer & Jethro-J. Carter, V 21-0078 & 48-0075; L. & F. Loesser, Mer 5307; E. Williams-R. V 21-0078 & 48-0075; L. & F. Loesser, Mer 5307; E. Williams-R. Cornel-S. Kaye Ork, V 20-3448; M. Whiting & J. Mercer-F. Weston Ork, Cap 57-567)	
1	-	30.	ARCAR CHICKLANTED EVEN	



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Among the stories of interest to the coin machine industry to be found in the Music Department of this issue of The Billboard are:

HEIDT TROUPE OF 60 TO TOUR. An extensive one-nighter junket is set to cover 18 States.

ATLANTIC DISKERY TO BOW SUBSID. The year-old firm will launch Plaza Records as the firm's adjunct.

VARSITY PREPS OWN DISTRIB. The diskery lines up 20 branches for the distribution of platters.

INTERNATIONAL RECORDS TO BOW SEPT. 15 .- The new indie has acquired 80 Hamptone sides to begin operations.

NEW BLUES LABEL SKEDS PREMIERE. Cobra Records sets organization for first releases.

And other informative news stories as well as the Honor Roll of Hits, pop charts and the new Billboard feature-a page devoted to new merchandising and mechanical developments in the businessthe Radio-Phono-TV Section.

#### ADVANCE RECO

POPULAR (Continued from page 38) The Last Mile Home G. Paxton (Don't Cry) MGM 1051 The Meadows of Heaven B. Crosby (I'll See) Dec 24721 The Meaduws of Heaven B. Houston (That Lucky) MGM 10509 The Rest Will Depend on You 3. Vast- Ork & D. Dennis (Bencath the) Gold Medal GM 954 The Roller-Skaters Walts J. Gledhill (Honey) Cap 57-90030 The Story of Annie Laurie E. Logan (Hop-Scotch) Bluebird 30-0003 The Story of Annie Laurie 1352A. Mooney Ork (Oody Kadoody) MGM 10517 The Story of Annie Laurie D. Shore (A Thousand) Col (78)38579; (LP)1-334 The Wedding of Lill Marlene R. Flanagan Ork (It All) Bluebird 30-0002 Those Little Stars H. Saha (Be Still) Donett 400 12th Street Rag D. Contino (Lover) Horace Heidt MS 1016 Twilight T. Dorsey Ork (The Knock) V(78)20-3544. (45)47-3037 Vieni Su (Say You Love Me Too) V. Monroe (Blue for) V(78)20-3549; (45) 47-3042 Alone

Where Did the Wild West Go? R. McEinley Ork (Sarong) V(78)20-3546; (45) 47-3039

Whirtwind F. X. McDonald (Beautiful Dreamer) MGM 10503 Whistling in the Dark G. Lombardo (If You) Dec 24722 Women Ellington Ork (Change My) Col (78)38576; (LP)1-331 D. Wonderful One G. MacRae (I Want) Cap 57-723 Yankee Clipper C. Ventura Ork (Boptura) V(78)20-3552; (45) 47-3045 You've Changed B. Farrell (And It) MGM 10519 You're Breaking My Heart R. Flanagan Ork (You're So) Bluebird 30-0001 You're in Love With Someone F. Warren (Envy) V(78)20-3551; (45) 47-3044 You're So Understanding R. Flanagan Ork (You're Breaking) Bluebird 30-0001 RELIGIOUS Answer Me This Day E. Reynolds-R. M. Lane (It's Jesus) Abbey 7001 Daniel in the Lion's Den (He Locked the Linn's law) R Tharpe (Ninety-Nine and) Dec 48116 I'm Bound for Higher Ground The Norfolk Four (Search My) Abbey 7003 I'm Proud To Be in the Service of the Lord R. M. Lane-E. Reynolds (No One) Abbey 7002 I'm Tired Sister Ethel Davenport (The World) Castle 2007 It's Jesus, Jesus Every Day E Reynolds-R. M. Lane (Answer Me-Abbey 7001 Jexus Is the Light J E Holmes (O Jesus) Orchid 1210 Ninety-Nine and a Half Won't Do R. Tharpe (Daniel in) Dec 48116 No One Can Love Me Like Him R. M. Lane-E. Reynolds (I'm Proud) Abbey 7092 O Jesus Let Me Ride J. E. Holmes (Jesus Is) Orchid 1310 Search My Heart The Norfolk Four (I'm Bound) Abbey 7003 Somebody Touched Me National Clouds of Joy (What More) Gotham G-615 The World Can't Do Me No Harm Sister Ethel Davenport (I'm Tired) Castle 2007 What More Can Jesus Do? National Clouds of Joy (Somebody Touched) Gotham G-615 LATIN-AMERICAN A Sanda Barbara Servando Trio (El Direstivo) V 23-1353 Arrimate Carnito O. Concepcion Ork (Promesa) V 23-1354 El Directiva Servando Trio (A Santa) V 23-1363 La Evolucion Del Bot H. Belinario Ork (Mi Presentimiento) V 33-1355

RD RELEASES
La Guapa
N. Chayres (Porque Te) V 23-1349 La Novia
Hermanos Martinez Gil (Vuelve) V 23- 1352
Mi Presentimiento
H. Belisario Ork (La Evolucion) V 23-
No Me Cuentes Tu Vida
Avelina Landion (Que Me) V 23-1351
Parque Te Quiero
N. Chayres (La Guapa) V 23-1349
Promesa
C. Concepcion Ork (Arrimate) V 23-1354
Que Me Castigue Dios
Avelina Landion (No Me) V 23-1351
Vuelve
Hermanos Martinez Gil (La Novia) V 23-

#### INTERNATIONAL

Ach, Isabella L. Monti (Repass Band) London 502 Repass Band L. Monti (Ach Isabella) London 502

#### CLASSIC & SEMI-CLASSICAL A Dudele J Peerce (A Shepherd) V(78)12-1003;

(45) 49-0590 A Shepherd, a Dreamer

J. Peerce (A Dudele) V(78)12-1003; (45)49-0590

A. Jones-R. Armbruster, Dir. (Romberg:

Deep in> V(78)10-1494; (45)49-0617 Beethoven: Ecossaises & Mendelssohn-

Rondo Capriccioso in E. Op. 14, Paris 1 & 11 A. Dorfmann . . . V(78)12-1020: (45) 49-0618 Beethoven: Symphony No. 2 in D. Op. 36 Album-San Franciscs Symphony Ork-P. Monteux, Dir. (4-12") V(78)1325; (45)1325 Benjamin Britten: A Ceremony of Carols Album-R. Shaw-RCA Victor Chorale of Women's Yolces (3-12") V(78)DM1324; (45)WDM1324 As Dew in Aprille Balulalow. Deo Gracias In Freezing Winter Night Interlude Procession Recession That Yonge Child This Little Babe There Is No Rose Wolcum Yole Chopin: Barcarolle in F Sharp Major, Op. 60-G. Sander (Beginning and Conclusion, Pts. I & II) Col 72832-D Chopin: Fantasie-Impromptu in C Sharp Minor-G. Sandor (Lisst: Liebestraum) Col 72835-D Debussy: Children's Corner Suite Album-L. Stakowski & His Symphony Ork (3-10") V(78) DM1327; (46) WDM1327\_ Doctor Gradus ad Parnassum Golliwogg's Cake Walk Jimbo's Lullaby Serenade for the Doll The Little Shepherd The Snow is Dancing Elgar: Pomp and Circumstance March in D. Op. 39, No. 1-Buston Pops Ork-A. Fielder, Dir. V(78)12-1019; (45)49-0616 Mischa Elman Faverites Album-M, Elman-W. Rose (3-10") V(78) DM1328; (45) WDM1328 Handle: Suite Fram "Royal Fireworks Music" Album-Liverpool Philharmonic Ork-Sir Malcolm Sargent, Dir. Col (78) MX319; (LP) ML4197 Haydn: Quartet No. 35 in D Major, Op. 64, No. 5 Album-Budapest String Quartet (3-12") Col MM853 Lehar The Merry Widow Album-R. Stevens-D. Morgan-M. Rudolf (4-10") Col MM-849 in Marsovia . . . 4567-M. 4567-M My Marriage Will be One Arranged 4568-M The Cavaller . 4570-M Villa . 4570-M Women . 4589-M Lizzt: Liebestraum No. 3 in A Flat Major G. Sander (Chopin: Fantasie) Col 72835 Memorica of Caruso Album-E. Caruso (3-1") V MO 1329 Bizet: Il Pior Che Avevi a Me Tu Dato Day Donizetti: Una Furtiva Lagrima Plotow: M'Appari Leoncavallo: Vesti La Globha Mascagni: Addio Alla Madre Verdi: Celeste Alda

# **Disk Inventory** Helps Ops Slice **Platter Costs**

(Continued from page 103) are relatively few, said Carpenter, since location owners have already been conditioned to accept their prepackaged record allotment as best calculated to get optimum play frompatrons.

The requests are integrated with selections picked by Wilson from popularity charts in The Billboard and the knowledge, gained from long experience, of the type of tunes most likely to appeal to the clientele of any particular location.

#### **Consults Listings**

This latter factor isn't left to uncertain memory. Wilson has detailed lists of every record placed on each phonograph in the far-flung route, arranged by location and date, and he consults it often. And the lists are kept for at least two years before being destroyed. When Wilson pre-pares the record packages he feels quite certain that his choices will pull nickels,

Routemen who pick up their cartons of records in the morning before going out on the route find cardboard sheets dividing each location's disks from others in the carton. He also finds neatly typed title strips for each new tune. An average of five or six new records are placed in machines every two weeks. On location special requests are deferred until the next visit. If location owners complain that they are not getting enough top tunes they are often proved wrong. by Carpenter, who quotes to them, if necessary, every record they have had for the past two years.

#### Three Categories

Locations on his routes are divided by Carpente into three main categories, depending on whether they are top, average or marginal income earners. Top spots get first call on newly purchased records, which are subsequently circulated thruout the route until they complete a run on marginal juke boxes. Carpenter attributes maximum return on record money outlay to this procedure. Too, he purchases a large percentage of "cheap" labels, claiming that in many of his locations good numbers alone are needed, with artist appeal counting for little. Top locations, however, get top names With competition by free location television cutting into his take at least as seriously as in the New York metropolitan area (Chester is about 70 miles from New York City), Carpenter claimed his system of record control has provided the margain of extra profit needed to keep many of his machines in the black. Unsophisticated country dwellers who patronize taverns find in television greater entertainment values than do urbanites, he asserted. Cartoons and Westerns, by-passed in city taverns, are highly popular in his area. As a result Carpenter said tele sets in taverns are turned on during most of the broadcast hours. Video reception here is excellent. Mendelsaahio: Rondo Capriccioso in E. Op. 14. Parts I & II, & Bestheven: Ecossaines- A. Dorfmann V/75/12-1020; (45)49-0618 Music for Four Pinne Album-Philharmonic Piano Quartet (3-12") Col MM 852 Col 12840-D Cradle Song Col 12848-D Lecuons: Andalucia Col 72819-D Morganitern: Toccate Guatemals Colt TUNDE-D Prokofiev Peter and the Wolf . . Col 70843 Johann Strauss: Dis Findermaus-Waltzes, Op. 56 . . Col 72840-D Monart: Masonic Funeral Music in C Minor, Parts 1 & II-Vienna Philbarmanie Ork-Von Karajan, Dit. (12") Col (78) 72|46-D) (LP)3-288 Prekofieff Concerto No. 3 in C. Op. 26 Album- W. Kappelf-Dallas Symphony Ork-A. Dorati, Dir. (3-12") V (78) DM1.126; (45) WDM1326 Puccini: E. Lucevan le Steele-G. Di Stefano-A. Frede, Dir. (Verdi: Lunge V(78)12-1018: (45)48-0615 Rayel: Mother, Guose Sulls (Ma Mere L'Oye) Album-Andre Kostelancis Ork (2-)2") Col MX-11

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#### Chicago:

R. F. Jones, head of the distributing firm bearing his name, was among the O. D. Jennings & Company visitors last week. With him was his Seattle office manager, W. H. Erskine, and C. M. McMurdie, Salt Lake City manager. The Jones firm also has Portland, San Francisco and Denver showrooms. Walter Young, Jennings vice-president, is working with Texas distributors and is expected back soon. John Neise and Hank Strong are concentrating their efforts on expediting deliveries of the new Chief line.

AMI's special Western representatives, Ed Ratajack, is working his way East from Denver. August proved one of the firm's all time high sales months. One of the AMI's top staffers will probably attend the South Dakota Phonograph Association meet at Huron September 25. . . . Billy DeSelm and Ray Riehl, United Manufacturing, report heavy local response to Shuffle Skill, the straight novelty game with shuffleboard puck action. Game is okay for the Chicago territory as a legal test resulted in a ruling that it is a completely skill type of amusement machine.

Exhibit Supply's Charley Pieri is back from an encouraging road trip in the East. He says operators there are outspoken in their optimism for the coin field from now thru the year end. Playtime, Exhibit's new fiveball, is designed with 11 possible ways to win and has a fourth ball feature which gives players an opportunity to pile up large blocks of points and win even tho their score on the previous ball might have been relatively low.

#### Los Angeles:

Walter (Solly) Solomon, sales manager of the J. Peskin Company here, is leaving on a trip up the Coast in the interest of AMI. He plans to swing back thru the San Joaquin Valley on his way home. These warm evenings he and the missus are spending their leisure time in the patio of the new house they recently purchased in Westwood. . . . Allan McMahon was in from San Jacinto to look over some new equipment.

Sam Handman, music operator, was in Leuenhagen's Record Bar picking up some new platters from Mary Solle. Incidentally, Bill Leuenhagen wants another copy of the memory booklet The Billboard sends to new subscribers. He can't remember where he put the old one. . . . Larry Jackson, writer on coin machine subjects, is turning his typewriter to new fields. He just finished knocking out two articles, one on deer hunting and the other on dogs. . . . Bob Young was seen on Pico Street looking over the newest in recordings for his music route. . . Ray Powers and Rusty Jones, two of the town's more ambitious juke box operators, were seen on Pico Street recently.

The boys at Weymouth Service Indianapolis: are taking bows as official bowling representatives of the vending machine business after beating all competitors in a recent tournament at the Royal Bowl. The team includes Jim Markowitz, George Kestel, Pat Hold, Matty Matson and Kenny Robertson. . . . Jack Mallett, of the Mission Novelty Company, Claremont, was in town. . . . Another recent visitor was Norman Christ, who came down from Lompoc.

#### Twin Cities:

State Fair Week found the usual foursome operating arcades again this year and reporting good opera- new offices at 701 Seventh Avenue. tion from the thousands of fair- In addition to being the headquargoers. Selma Nelson and Timmy ters for his combo ter-vision-juke Shogren teamed up once again to biz, the offices are also used as a base handle their operation at the fair, for the hotel television rental biz he Bill Brede ran both an arcade and a beer parlor while Sam Beberman Pollay, of United Phono Service, is concentrated on his arcade. . . . Immediately after the fair shuts down, Shogren heads for Arizona to spend the winter months. . . . LaBlanche Wiome is the new office girl at Midwest Coin Machine, succeeding Mrs. Rose Melizer, an expectant mother Rose's husband, Bill, also works at duction run next week, . . . Lew Midwest. Her brother, Jack Karter. Jaffa, Eastern Electric vice-presiowns and operates the firm.

Harold Lieberman, of Lieberman Music Company, Wurlitzer distrib, is back on the job on a half-day basis, almost fully recovered from the attack of virus pneumonia which put him in a hospital for 10 days. Last week the Lieberman firm had to operate with five of its staff away sick. In addition to the boss, others who were ill were Gert McAndrews and Irene Lake, office aids; Leo Duske, painter, and Wally Zellmer,

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Record Music Company, has sold his music route to Everett Harlan, Beech Grove, and his pinball route to Martin Rabin and Martin Joachim, who have established headquarters at 10th and Carrelton Avenue. Rabin, erstwhile serviceman for Sicking, Inc., here, and Joachim have also purchased the game route of the Ace

#### New York:

Lou Forman, head of Videograph Corporation, moved last week to runs with Morton Lipper. . . . Mac having the interior of his Coinrow store remodeled.

Lou Brown, Coradio prexy and one of the top execs in the new firm, Covideo, reports that his coin-operated video set will begin its first prodent, has returned from a quick biz trip to Chicago. He claims August sales of the C-Eight Electro cigarette vender, despite the record heat, have equalled top winter grosses.

Harry Berger, of West Side Distributors, reports his game rental business on the increase. Under the terms of his plan, ops lease amusement equipment at a nominal weekly fee for a minimum of four weeks. Another 10th Avenue jobber .who has gone after the rental biz is Dave Lowy.

Barney Sugarman, of Runyon Joe Robillard, operator of the Sales, reports that the game, Shufipins received license department approval last week. Barney, who has been testing the game in New Jersey locations, will now place it on test here. The California-produced game probably will be offered for sale to ops shortly after Labor Day.

Harold Seidel, who operates in Music Company, 3343 Central Ave- Kingston, N. Y., as Seidel Amuse-

Coin last week. Among them were R. F. Jones and two of his boys, C. (See Chicago on page 111)

#### Washington:

Harold S. Klein, Silent Sales System of Washington, is spending about a year in Orlando, Fla. One of his purposes was a rest, but he can't seem to leave the coin machine field, Marvin Maddox, of Watling Sales & Service, reports that Klein is handling Watling scales and Northwestern stamp vending machines in Florida in co-operation with Maddox, Maddox recently returned from a business trip to Ashbury Park and Atlantic City, N. J., and points in Pennsylvania. His work takes him on frequent trips along the East Coast. . . . Jimmy Maddox, who works for his father, has been vacationing in Ocean City, Md.

First fall get-together of the Washington Music Guild (WMG) was a dinner meeting. The affair was held September 1 in the Blue Room of the Hamilton Hotel.

Robert Inscoe is now operating City Service, a pinball route, in near-by Bethesda. A newcomer to (See Washington on page 111)

#### Detroit:

Paul Gold, partner in the Michigan Vending Company, has returned to work from a week's vacation, which he spent at home. . . . Frank Collins is establishing the Collins Coin Machine Company, with offices on Griswold Street. . . . Harry Rick. route man for the Moss Music Company, has returned from a two-week vacation in Canada. Erwin B. Moss, head of the company, had to hustle to keep the added vacation duties under control during Rick's absence, and - plans to take a rest himself now. . . . Jerome Solomon, of the Edelco Manufacturing & Sales Company, reports that Isidor Edelman. founder of the company, is due back from his vacation after Labor Day.

Visitors were numerous at Chicago Sales, left for Hemet last week-end for a brief business trip. W. E. Happel returned from his vacation with a crew haircut. Jack Leonard, of the

Badger Vending Machine department, has a nice display of Silver (See Los Angeles on page 111)

#### Hartford, Conn.:

A recent luncheon brought together Ralph Colucci, owner of the State Music Distributing Corporation here; Jim Hogan, record sales manager, Post & Lester Company, Decca Records distributor; Jimmy Tolisano, Superior Music Company Hartford coin machine operator, and Nate Altman, Traveler Radio Corporation. Tolisano and Hogan said that juke box business in this area is definitely "on the upgrade."

and Marco Pietrandrea, members of the staff of Superior Music Company, have returned from vacations. Stanlev went to Hampton Beach, N. H., while Phil took in the sights in Rhode Island. Marco rested along the Connecticut shoreline.

A screening of the new Columbia motion picture, "Jolson Sings Again," was held at the Bijou Theater, Springfield, Mass., last week, with over 90 persons representing the press, radio and record industries in attendance. Among those on hand were Jim Hogan, record sales manager of Post & Lester Company, Hartford; Bob Berger, Post & Lester's Springfield resident salesman, and Bill Shirley, Columbia Pictures exploitation representative. Hogan reports extensive plans are under way to aid in record promotion for the motion picture. . . . Charles F. Pendlebury, executive of Veeder-Root, Inc., Hartford, manufacturer of counting and computing devices for coin machines, was injured in an auto accident in Hartford recently.

Helen Doherty, of Capitol Records Distributing Corporation's Hartford Williams's Boston and Star Series are branch, has returned from a Vir- proving popular in this part of the (See Hartford, Conn., on page 111)

nue, operated by John Sutton. William R. Happel Jr., of Badger Robillard plans to go to Kenosha, Wis., for a much needed rest. . .

> Mrs. Lottie Berman, owner and manager of the Indianapolis Sicking Company, who has been confined to St. Vincent's Hospital with injuries suffered in an auto accident, is now convalescing at her home at 3024 East Fall Creek Boulevard. She hopes to return to her duties in 60 days. . . . Sam Weinberger, of Southern Automatic Music Company, spent several days out of the city, in the interests of business.

William Grier has joined the service department at the Sicking company. . . . Mrs. Blanche M. Janes, of the Janes Music Company, and her brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Smith, of the Colonial Music Company, spent Labor Day at Stanley Wojtusik, Phil Tolisano Niagara Falls. . . . Lytle G. Portor, operator at New Castle, Ind., visited coin row, looking at used equipment during the week. . . . Charles Hughes, of the Hughes Music Company, Ladoga, Ind., also visited coin TOW.

> Bryan Holloway, operator at Brownsburg, Ind., was in buying (See Indianapolis on page 114)

#### Albany, N. Y .:

Jules Olshein, head of Olshein Distributing, is on an extended business and pleasure tour thru Canada. He wrote his office manager, W. Boardman, that operating conditions in the Dominion appear to be excellent despite the shortage of new equipment. Canadian operators are making the best of what they have and are making a go of it. One of Jules' stops was at Moe Fine's Roxy Specialty, Montreal. Fine is concentrating on rebuilding used equipment in his modern factory. Following his Canadian tour Olshein plans to visit operators in the Western States. Boardman, who is handling all executive duties while Olshein is on the road, says that United's Shuffle Skill and Utah and Empire State.

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#### London:

Special games of interest to children now dot the scene at the Long Beach Arcade. According to the latest reports there are 180 such units available for play. . . . The National Amusement Council's factfinding expedition to the Scandinavian countries continues its tour, and is due in Copenhagen shortly. There are many coin machines in use in that city, according to reports. including one arcade which features a battery of penny pinball games.

Decorators have completed their renovation of the Peerless Enterprises, Ltd., headquarters. The offices were formerly identified by their bright red walls. These have now been changed to a soft green. Firm is located at 111-113 Upper Tooting Road.

# Vital Statistics

#### Deaths

Mrs. Fred P. Davis, Newcastle, Pa., wife of one of the pioneer bell operators in that area. Funeral was held Wednesday (31) in Newcastle. John Serins, 54, at Mount Clemens, Mich., August 15. He operated various types of amusement games. Survived by his widow and three children. Interment in Mount Clemens.

#### Births

A granddaughter, Margit Beth Weisgal, to Hirsh de la Viez, president of Hirsh Coin Machine Company and prexy of Washington Music Guild (WMG), August 23 in Mt. Sinai Hospital, Baltimore. The new arrival, Hirsh's first grandchild, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weisgal of Baltimore. Mrs. Weisgal is the former Jean de la Viez.

September 10, 1949

TWIN CITIES OUTLOOK BRI **Deliveries** Set

# Over; OpsNow BuyingBoards DETROIT, Sept. 3.—The long-an-ticipated move for the organization of a separate shuffleboard operators'

#### **Activity Growing Daily**

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 3. A reactivation of the shuffleboard business is being recorded here by distributors. All agree that the summer slump is over and that the game, which took hold here last winter and spring, is starting to come out of its warmweather lethargy.

"We notice more shuffleboard activity every day," said Jonas Bassler, of Lieberman Music Company. "The operators, who admittedly were in the doldrums during the summer months, are looking ahead to a fast fall and winter season and board sales are moving right along."

Echoing this view was Oscar Schaeffer, Midwest Coin Machine Company, who said the reactivation of the shuffleboard business is extremely welcome at this stage of the year. While the popularity of the Sales Manager John Dietz announced ager of the Valley Shuffleboard Comgame probably won't hit the peak it this week. knew last winter and spring, he expects it will level off to the point where it will produce good incomes for the operators in the months ahead.

**Ops Buying** 

Summer DropDetroit Operators Hold MeetOver: Ops NewTo Form Shuffle Association

association was taken last week at a special meeting held at the Hotel Tuller here. About 35 operators were within a few days. present.

P. Sauve, veteran Southeastern Michigan coinman. He heads A. P. Sauve & Son, and is active, both as a distributor and operator of shuffleboards. Temporarily, Sauve is serving as director of the new group.

#### Major Action

Major action taken at the meeting was the decision to form a permanent



BAY CITY, Mich., Sept. 3 .- Valley Shuffleboard, Inc., has started quantity deliveries on its new de luxe model,

adjusters which insure accuracy in Congress. Latter project, he indicated,

organization, to be called the Detroit Shuffleboard Association (DSA). The formal organization will be worked out at a second meeting, to be called

Michael Benson, operating the The session was called by Arthur Michigan Nickel Company, was elected president of the new group. He is president of the Michigan Miniature Bowling Association, formed by operators of skeeballs, ray guns, and other types of amusement games. There had been some discussion at one time of expanding the latter's scope to include shuffleboard, because of considerable overlapping of both interest and personnel, but it was decided shuffleboard is an independent business, and should have a trade association of its own.

#### To Sponsor Tourneys

The new group will sponsor leagues and tournament play.

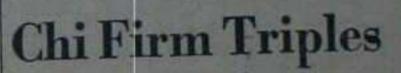
Guest of honor and a principal speaker at the organization meeting of the new Detroit Shuffleboard Association was John Dietz, sales manpany. He reported on similar activity Playfield is made of top grade in other States, and discussed plans maple which is sealed to withstand being worked out by board manuchanges in the weather. The cabinet facturers generally to co-operate in has 10 legs equipped with leveling the sponsorship of a Shuffleboard would use only approved type of

# For Marvel's 2 Scoreboards CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- President Ted

Rubenstein announced Friday (2) that Marvel Manufacturing Company's two new scoreboards are in full production and first deliveries have begun.

The electric overhead model registers 15 points or eight frames when two play and 21 points or 10 frames when four participate. For doubles it can be set to handle 12 frames if the location wishes. Rubenstein stressed the unit's automatic frame advance. Play automatically advances to the next frame eight seconds after points have been tallied. The scoring device can also be adjusted to score a maximum of 50 points. He added that the Marvel unit has its frame advancing mechanism located in the regular cabinet of the scoreboard.

Its companion piece is a wall model which is suitable for scoring points only for singles or doubles play, Rubenstein said both the wall and overhead units are designed for easy servicing.



At the LaBeau Novelty Sales Com- play in all types of locations. pany, Rock-Ola board distributors, Valley is considering applicants for boards, to allow some standardization (See Twin Cities Outlook page 110) remaining territories, Dietz revealed. in tournament play.

FALL BIZ UPSWING STARTS

W'dshop Output

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Shuffleboard Specialists has tripled its woodshop capacity 'following the stepped-up orders which have been received for the fall, Phil Cohen, president, announced this week. Meanwhile, the company will continue to show its boards and other shuffleboard products at its downtown sales and executive offices at 1114 South Michigan Avenue,

Cohen also announced that Shuffleboard Specialists is now using a new preservative in its maple top which acts as a sealer. By using the new development, it is believed that warpage will be cut to a minimum.

Firm plans to enter the league and tournament field this fall, Cohen revealed, and will co-operate with other manufacturers in this type of promotion.

# 152-Day Strike Ends As Masonite, Union **Reps Sign Contract**

LAUREL, Miss., Sept. 3.-The 152-day strike against the Masonite Corporation by the International Wood Workers (CIO) Union ended Tuesday (30) when representatives of the employers and the union signed a new contract effective thru December 31, 1950. Masonite produces hardboard used on some shuffleboards as playfields as well as a wide variety of pressed wood products, The factory here is the main production outlet.

The strike affected 2,300 plant workers and was marked by frequent negotiation parleys. One of the main points in the new contract calls for a 2-cent-per-hour increase for job rated workers. This is considerably under the amount asked by the union when talks on a new contract originated in the weeks immediately preceding April 1, the date the strike started

Juke, Shuffle Set Pace With Early Buying shuffleboards to his extensive route of guns and skeeballs. . . Arthur P. Sauve is setting up a new route

#### All Phases in Act

(Continued from page 103) In the shuffleboard field, the manufacturers are now looking forward to an excellent season, with orders already on hand assuring a greatly increased business volume for September. While production schedules are being increased, they are continuing to concentrate on their promotional programs, with most companies kicking off their leagues next week or the week after. National, Standard and Penn again will have their full league promotions under way within a few weeks, while American, working on a plan to cover the country this year, is already at work on its initial 1949-50 programs. Purveyor will be in the league promotion field full force this fall, covering this area mainly, as will Monarch, which started its leagues last spring.

The coming season is especially bright for the shuffleboard field because there is still much territory to that he and his family could get be opened up to the game. Manu- away for a short vacation. However, facturers on the whole feel the coin machine operator is the logical man to introduce equipment in his area, and the operator, in turn, has found such equipment as venders, music cause of a burglary at Purveyor's Purveyor offices, said the roman bines and areada pieces.

# PUCK PATTER

#### Detroit:

Jordan Spring, of the Ray-o-Lite Company, is adding a number of of shuffleboard locations for A. P. Sauve & Son. . . . Alex and Charles Friedenberg, brothers, but operating their routes separately, are adding shuffleboards to their present diversified operation.

James Brown, of Brown's Amusement Company, suffered a heart attack recently but is reported progressing favorably in New Grace Hospital. . . . Mrs. Jordan Spring is reported seriously ill.

#### Chicago:

Clayton Nemeroff, Monarch, finally was able to slip away from his desk for a short vacation. Packing the family into his car Clayton left his West Rogers Park home last week-end and headed north. Altho his eventual destination was not known Clayton was believed to be on his way to Minnesota. He'll be back home and at work again Tuesday (6).

Bill Tucker, Purveyor Shuffleboard Company, was busy catching up on his work last week in order he was due to meet in Chicago Tuesday (6) with Clayton Nemeroff, his co-chairman of the manufacturers' conference, then found himself tied up the latter part of last week be-

Tucker announced he planned to leave late Tuesday for a one-week vacation in Michigan.

Charlie Gillard, president of Nation-Wide Novelties, Inc., hopped aboard a plane Wednesday (31) headed for the East on company business. Charlie planned to cover Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington before returning home. . . . Ted Rubenstein, head man at Marvel, reports business now definitely on the upswing after the usual summer. Ted has several new items up his sleeve for the shuffleboard field, and plans to spring them before too many weeks have passed.

#### Los Angeles:

Dan Lufkin, sales manager for California Shufflpins, just returned from a swing thru the Midwest and East in the interests of his firm's shuffleboard - type coin - operated game. The St. Louis plant is building up to full capacity, Lufkin said. The game is produced by U. S. Woodcraft, Inc., Redondo Beach, Calif. (See PUCK PATTER on page 110)

#### Purveyor Offices Robbed

CHICAGO, Sept. 3 .- Herb Perkins, head of Purveyor Shuffleboard Company, this week reported burglars had broken into the firm's headquarters at 4322-24 N. Western Avenue here last Tuesday night (30). The thieves smashed the office safe and made off with a substantial amount of cash. Detectives from the crime laboratory, who spent most of Wednesday at the Purveyor offices, said the robbery

The Billboard

### Gottlieb's Game Stresses Football

(Continued from page 94) when the fifth ball goes into play, numbered bumpers have a value 10 times the normal figure. This happens only while the score remains below the 2,200,000 point mark. Two identical stretch rubber triangular bumpers Indicate when this special fifth ball action is taking place.

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### July Biz Index

WASHINGTON, Sept. 3. - Most types of coin machine locations suffered a poor month in July as retail business, generally, showed a seasonal slump, Commerce Department reported this week. Over-all, retail business was off 15 per cent from June.

Biggest decline for locations was registered by department stores whose business fell off 26 per cent from June. Business of candy, nut and confectionery stores dropped 5 per cent while eating and drinking places had declines of 1 per cent, as

## NCMDA Calls **General Meet**

(Continued from page 94) closed sessions. These committees will handle membership, financial and legal matters. Committee meetings are expected to carry over to Thursday (15). Lou Wolcher, San Francisco, national president, will supervise the general meeting and call on retiring committee chairman to make progress reports on their special subjects.

### Non-Profit Org

Formed as a non-profit organization following a series of informal meetings in Chicago by nine old line distributors, NCMDA now numbers 25 members, the maximum under its constitution. One of the key points to be settled at the annual meet is whether to pave the way for increased membership. This could only be achieved by a constitutional amendment voted by the general member-

In the first full year the distributors' association has eliminated several points of contention between manufacturers of games and distributors. It has also set up a bulletin service aimed at exchanging legal and other trade information.

S. I. Neiman, NCMDA's director of public relations, has been empowered to help members make hotel reservations for the annual meet. His and the association's headquarters are at 1 N. La Salle Street, Chicago.

### CHI COIN BOWS

(Continued from page 94) after spotting "foot" and "ball." Maximum score is 9,990,000 points. Wide open area at the botom of playing surface is lined with stretch rubber bumpers which score 50,000 points when hit and a pair of flippers with miniature footballs on them, A center roll-over switch which sepaNATION-WIDE SHUFFLEBOARD

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## Missouri Brothers Hit Jackpot With Modern Operating Methods

(Continued from page 103) fiked the idea so well that we went into it in earnest," Lawson said.

They used the counters in their machines and began tabulating results. They observed the kinds of people at each installation, studying age groups and social classes and the moods of each. Soon they were able to "type" each location and aim the

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music at definite audiences.

The number of plays increased as the customers became more pleased. By plowing back much of their earnings the brothers expanded their business until it grew from a meager two machines in 1943 to 30 at the present time, They have \$45,000 worth of music and arcade equipment valued at depreciation, all 1946 or newer models.

Their file of approximately 5,000 records is classified by artists and orchestras. It is kept up-to-date, according to the favorites and new populars. The brothers buy about 500 new records each month, making their selections on the basis of national trends as evaluated for their acceptability in Columbia's market.

### Local Market

The Obermillers stress the importance of the local market. Purchasing must be slanted to meet it. "We can't say a tune is good or bad just because it succeeds or fails in New York. We have to ask ourselves if our public wants it. We keep our personal likes out of it entirely. We have discovered that the Columbia audience is far ahead of audiences in many other cities. The range of appreciation is so great that we can get top plays from records that don't hit at all in other places.

"Take the classics for instance. We lead St. Louis by three times in the play of classics per record player. Fiddle Faddle was getting top play here on every one of our machines a full month before it got recognition elsewhere. We know that virtually all of Chopin's etudes and waltzes will get top play."

Columbia sets the pace in other ways, too. Again hit top play three and one-half months before it came out on top of the Hit Parade. The starting with pre-mix cup venders. barometer is up on most tunes so far in advance that the Obermiller brothers can competently judge what is coming up at the head of the list.

### **Puck Patter**

(Continued from page 108) Orange, N. J .:

With the fall season now officially under way, National Shuffleboard is going into its league promotions with vigor. Tom Browne, firm's advertising and sales director, has been up to his ears in work, and Sol Lipkin, field supervisor, has been in the New England area. Sol, who is about to move into his new house. has been making many new friends for the firm and the game during his trips up and down the Eastern Coast.

### TWIN CITIES OUTLOOK

(Continued from page 108) the outlook was similar. Operators are in getting new boards and supplies and reporting that activity on their equipment has stepped up considerably in recent days. Whether the situation will rival that of earlier in the year when jobbers were unable to make deliveries fast enough is still a matter of conjecture.

"We have had a very active week, in our shuffleboard division," reported Matt Engel, sales manager for Mayflower Distributing Company. "This is, of course, very heartening and indicates that this game was not the mere flash in the pan some thought it would be.

### New York:

(Continued from page 107) ment, was in town last week on a shopping trip. . . Joe Kalishman, cigarette machine and parts supplier, attended a Connecticut operators' outing last week-end. . . . Jerome Millard and Marvin Bernstein have formed the M & M Vending Service,

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### **Favorite** Artists

Columbia's favorite artists are Stan Kenton, Charlie Barnet, Charley Ventura and Gordon Jenkins and his vocal chorus. Jo Stafford is the top vocalist, with June Christy and Margaret Whiting following closely. The all-time favorite tunes, Artie Shaw's Beguine and Tommy Dorsey's Stardust, are always good for play,

The brothers maintain their own repair shop and use replacement units for all emergency repairs. Speed means much when a machine gets out of order. At all times during business hours of establishments one of the brothers is available for emergency servicing of the juke boxes.

Columbia merchants have found the services of the agents superior to self-owning the machines and have realized that specialization by regular operators brings more money into before remodeling is finished. Meantheir respective pockets.

### Expand Locations

thoroly covered the entertainment centers in Columbia, the Obermiller tributor network. brothers have turned to dress shops, department stores and business offices as new locations. They see great opportunity for providing background skills. music in these new markets with the years he's been able to get away Seeburg Select-o-Matic unit which from business during the summer; plays 100 records automatically. It the hot months are always busiest will play 14 hours with brief 15- for the Mike Munves Corporation. minute intervals. It is particularly The firm plans soon to start remodeladaptable because of the sound dis- ing of the coin row building it will tribution plan which provides volume occupy permanently. at uniform conversational level.

By such commercial installations businesses will be benefited thru soothing music to make life in offices and stores more pleasant to the workers as well as to the customers, the brothers believe.

brothers in their music selling business is an example of good, efficient, conscientious business management. Young Distributing, left for Detroit The days of simply putting records in September 2. He will be gone about music machines and hoping people a week. Ben Espey remained in will play them are over, they say.

Moe Mandell, of Northwestern Sales & Service Company, Brooklyn, will hold open house September 21-24, to introduce several new models to bulk vending ops in this area. W. E. Bolen, president of the firm, will be on hand.

Sam Sacks, Uneeda Shine Machine prexy, reports that some of his brush-up units have been installed in the Concourse-Plaza Hotel. When the Yankee ball club is in town the hotel is its headquarters and, Sacks says, the ball players are enthusiastic users of the shiner. . . . Jimmy Fitzpatrick, of Fitzrock Distributing, Bridgeport, Conn., looked in on Avenue jobbers last week.

Bill Rabkin, head of International Mutoscope, reports that the physical move to his new headquarters, across the street from his old Long Island City building, is about completed. But it will take a few more weeks while, Herb Klein, Muto sales manager, is away on vacation. The ar-Now that their business has so cade equipment manufacturer may soon release details of its new dis-

> Mike Munves returned last week week's holiday in the Catfrom a This is the first time in 20

Leo Knebel, of Rex-Lee Entersays he is finding a ready prises, market among music ops for the Aireon conversion that is the company's specialty. Tony (Rex) Di-Renzo, Leo's partner, is constantly The success of the Obermiller combing outlying areas in search of used Aireons to feed the Rex-Lee production line. . . . Joe Young, of charge.

### Chicago:

(Continued from page 107) M. McMurdie and W. H. Erskine: Phil Robinson, Los Angeles; Mac Perlman, Seaboard of Hartford; Harry Rosen, Seaboard of New York, and Lenny Goldstein, T & L, Cincinnati. Robinson reports that West Coast business is definitely on the upgrade and looks for a banner fall.

the step-up in activity just beginning sharpened with the coming cool days. in the coin field. Visitors from far Tom King and Paul Crisman, partand near included Will (Connie) Confer, Tony Koupal and Norwich preparing to spot full chocolate loads Veatch, all of St. Louis; Dave Simon, New York, and Ray Williams, who man, vice-president of the Automatic was up from the South. Mel Binks, president, hopes to break away for a few days in mid-September to squeeze in a brief vacation, probably chandising Company; Gene Chute, fishing in the New England States and Quebec.

While on a Southern trip Charley Pieri, Exhibit Supply sales manager, visited Ben Rodins, Washington distributor, who is recuperating from overwork under the Miami sun. He says Ben will be back on the job by the end of the month. Pieri found coin activity increasing and predicts that business will improve sharply soon: Exhibit Supply's five-ball juke box front, to the tune of in-Playtime is getting a good reception along the East Coast. Frank Mencuri returned from a trip to the Twin Cities Friday (2). While there he from various other operators in the covered the Minnesota State Fair for the firm. . . . Empire Coin's the juke, is becoming a more promi-Howie Freer is enjoying his Oregon vacation. Meanwhile his bosses, Gil Kitt and Ralph Sheffield, find used days. and new games sales up. They say the one-ball Photo-Finish is getting steady play in their territory.

A. Garrick Alex, major domo of Vendall Company, took time out for a vacation. He expects to be back in harness after Labor Day. . . . Al Sebring, head of the Sebring Corporation, put a lot of coin changer know-how behind the development of his new Junior Model mechanical service changer. With the unit hitting the production line last week firm's changer line is now rounded Los Angeles: out, the larger electric model and mechanical unit completing the line-up.

## COINMEN YOU KNOW

The Billboard

ing plans for hypoed servicing, sales and stocking-up activity include Clarence Coan, of Chicago U-Select- (Continued from p It Company. Coan has a varietybur program worked out to offer the most selectivity for vender cus-Universal Industries also reflected tomers when candy appetites are City, Mo. ners in King & Company, are also in their equipment. William Fisch-Merchandising Company; Glenn Johnson, manager of the Chicago operation of Mills Automatic Mer-Mercury Confections; Sam and Joseph Brodsky, Illinois Vending Company, and Bernard and Joseph Kaden, Kandy Kit Company, are other local operators with equipment, personnel, rolling stock and knowledge of merchandise requirements that set them for a high level of business thruout the "candy months" to come.

> Purveyors of good news on the creasing play tempos, are Adolph Raymond, A & M Music, and Floyd Pedone, Little Amusement, Reports area indicate that music on wax, via nent part of the public's "away from home" entertainment spending these

Bally Manufacturing's Herb Jones reports Clover Bell is doing well in all parts of the country. This console features Citation odds, a mys-R. F. Jones, head of the firm bearing his name, was a plant visitor and spent several hours with Ray Moloney, George Jenkins and Jones. With him were two of his branch managers C. M. McMurdie and Bill Erskine, who were in from Seattle and Portland, Ore.

(Continued from page 107) ginia Beach, Va., vacation. . . . Jane Mullane, also on that branch's staff, got back from a visit to Kansas

The Zoning Board of Appeals in suburban Windsor, Conn., has rejected the application of James A. Jones for extension of a ten.porary permit to operate a newsstand at 412 Capen Street, Windsor, in a restricted area. He had planned to sell soft drinks and maintain a pinball machine. There was opposition to the stand as a traffic hazard to children.

### **Twin** Cities:

(Continued from page 107) serviceman. . . . Herman Paster, of Mayflower Distributing Company, is fully recovered from his accident of last winter and back on the job. His wife still is under the care of the family physician, however.

Gerry Gendron, of Ironwood, Mich., flew in by airplane to buy equipment in the Twin City market. He and his partner, Bozo Dishenau cover much of their Range Amusement Company route by airplane. . . . Matt Engel, Mayflower Distributing Company, is back from a vacation spent visiting relatives in Iowa. . . . Gil Kitt, of Empire Coin, Chicago, was vacationing in Minneapolis for several days last week. ... Sid Levin, of Hy-G Music, is in his new St. Louis Park home and reports he can't understand how he tery double award and spot symbols. lived in rented quarters until now. . . . Oscar Schaeffer, Midwest Coin Machine Company, still talks of nothing but how wonderful Trans-Vue television is selling.

### COIN MACHINES 111

Israel. En route to New York to board the luxury liner, Hy and the missus dropped into Chicago manufacturing plants and chatted with long-time friends.

### Washington:

(Continued from page 107)

the coin machine trade, he became interested in the business thru his brother-in-law. Inscoe reports his venture, like other coin machine companies in the area, has been going a bit slowly during this summer

John Phillips, of Phillips Novelty Company, and prexy of the Washington Coin Machine Association (WCMA), is back at work after a minor operation. He recently spent a week-end vacationing in Pennsylvania.



Company's new counter game, Atom, display cases have been built labelis clicking via the sales route, ac- ing parts as to price and number and cording to Richard Groetchen. Unit making it easy for operators to point is in full production. . . . H M. Schaef, out what they want without having head of Victor Vending Machine to bother with lengthy descriptions. Company, tells of a good norm in Incidentally, he says candy and nuts production and sales on the penny are starting to move. . . . Mr. and bulk vender front. With output back Mrs. Niles Smith, from Oildale, just years. The London firm is also to prewar levels after a spurt in pro- outside of Bakersfield, were in town dling the RCA public address duction during the first postwar years, penny venders are experienc- Jimmy Murphy, of Inyokern, was ing a solid acceptance that indi- also in town. cates a steady demand for this type unit on a year-round basis.

Inc., reports increased public in- acquired when he visited Happy terest in coin-operated telescopes and Jack Girdner at Watsonville. He and binoculars this year. With 30 of the family bunked in Girdner's cabin firm's own coin Terrestrialscope units for a week spending their leisure along the Lake front on the Railroad Fair grounds receiving a heavy patronage and with its Listening Post: at the Municipal Airport likewise well patronized, an even fur- riega, Colton coinman. . . . Slim ther uptrend in public acceptance Ewing was down from Bakersfield of such equipment is predicted for the future. Says Stiger: "The urge to see distant points of interest thru a telescope appeals to the young and old alike, and dime operation has been accorded a good reception on these units."

With the cooler fall season breathing down the sun-tanned neck of summer local candy operators are girding for renewed high-level activity in the confection field. Perry Rose, Robot Sales, Maywood, plans stepped up servicing of industrial locations and retiring of his dry-ice truck coolers which were in constant use thrucut the hot months. Leon Segal, Kandy Korner, is also ready to capture the increased fall and winter business. Likewise Sam Kogen, of Illinois Mechanical Sales.

Other Chicago candy operators lay-

(Continued from page 107) King hot nut venders on the shelves. There is a steady sale in North-Groetchen Tool & Manufacturing western parts, he says, since the new looking over more equipment. . .

Ed Wilkes, of the Paul A. Laymon Company, has returned from his va-A. A. Stiger, Electronic Devices, cation wearing a mountain tan he time pulling in the catfish from a near-by lake. . . . Alex Koleopolus was in town from Bakersfield. Another recent visitor was Milton Nolooking over some new games.

> Jack Simon, of Sicking Distributors, is showing off Genco's Glider and Chicago Coin's Beacon. Speaking of Chicago Coin, that firm's West Coast rep, Phil Robinson, dines at the Farmer's Market every Thursday night with the missus. . . . Fred Allen came south to escape the Bakersfield heat and ran into more of the same here. . . . Al Cicero, Santa Maria coinman, was in town; also S. L. Griffin, of Valley Coin Machine Company, Pomona.

Stan Turner, of Southland Distributors, returned from a week at Lake Arrowhead. He reports Wurlitzer music machine sales are on the upgrade. . . . Stuart Trimble was in town from Huntington Park, Ditto for Bill Bradley, who hails from near-by Covina.

Visitors to this market in the week included Mark Coughlan, I kato, Minn.; Wes Rydell, 1 Minn.; Harry Nold, Cambri Minn.; Vince Jorgenson, Mason Ia.; John Howe, Foley, Minn.; Jahnke, Hutchinson, Minn.; Foster, Sioux Falls, S. D.

Al Meirovitz, Sam London's hand man at the S. L. Music C pany, Minneapolis, has returned the Seeburg annual sales meet. is enthused over plans and pol set forth at the Chicago meet He believes the M-100 Select-o-M will be an operator's favorite sound systems in this area Meirovitz says this new line is cl ly allied with the Seeburg Indus commercial music systems and o complete facilities for combined sic and public address systems.

Several local coinmen plan t on hand at Huron, S. D., Septer 25 when the South Dakota Ph graph Owners hold their big r ing. Tho Twin Cities distribs ing in the meet will be concentrate on business. Some are also ning to shoot down a few phea since the season will be just ge under way.

Hy Greenstein, head of Hy-G sic, and his wife sailed Friday on the Queen Elizabeth. They visit England, France, Italy

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Description       State of the	s market in the past Mark Coughlan, Man- Wes Rydell, Mora, Nold, Cambridge, rgenson, Mason City, Foley, Minn.; Ben inson, Minn.; Roy alls, S. D. Sam London's right the S. L. Music Com- lis, has returned from nual sales meet. All r plans and policies the Chicago meeting. M-100 Select-o-Matic erator's favorite for don firm is also han- public address and in this area now. his new line is close- te Seeburg Industrial sic systems and offers tes for combined mu- ddress systems. coinmen plan to be on, S. D., September outh Dakota Phono- hold their big meet- outh Dakota Phono- hold their big meet- cities distribs tak- will be concentrating Some are also plan- own a few pheasants is will be just getting and the friday (2) Elizabeth. They will France, Italy and	<text><text><text><text></text></text></text></text>	
outh Phone: 4-0194	NOGRAPHS S324.50 374.50 129.50 422 199.50 ANDO 49.50 PLAY GAMES RNADO, MAISIE, BAFFLE YNAMITE, KILROY, SPELL- GERICA, CO-ED, BOWLING CYCLONE, UNITED RE- S12.50 ea. S12.50 ea. PARKER DIST	CONSOLES FREE PLAY BALLY HI-HAND 5339.50 BALLY CLUB BELL 39.50 KEENEY SUPER BELL 49.50 WATLING BIG CAME 21.50 JENNINGS SILVER MOON 19.50 FREE PLAY FLIPPER GAMES MACK & JILL, CATALINA, YANKS, SCREW- BALL, CINDERELLA, TRINIDAD, WISCON- SIN, TRIPLE ACTION, STAR DUST \$74.50 ma. MASSIE 31/3x7 REBUILT LIKE NEW POOL TABLE 5199.50 Reference Commerce Union Banki. C. O. D. or Sight Draft. RIBUTING CO.	

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Reco (Cor	rd Reviews utinued from page 104)	C O V E	Dixie Declares Dividend NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—Dixie Cup
ARTIST .	TUNES	R A JO	Company's board of directors declared Class A and common stock dividends this week. For Class A, dividend
LABEL AND NO.	COMMENT	LER	Inis week. For Class A, dividend       MAM'SELLE       \$ 14.50         No. 81 (regular quarterly) of 62½       TENNESSEE       49.50         cents per share is payable October 1       CONTACT       49.50
SERGE CHALOFF- RALPH BURNS Motif M002	HOT JAZZ King Edward, the Flatted Fifth Bop opus which spots some fluid Chaloff bari- tone and little clse.	565853	to stockholders of record September 10. THRILL
	Pat Just about same story.	56585853	Victory Special 44.50 Special Entry 64.50 RAMONA 114.50
ANTON KAWAL- KOWSKI WHITE EAGLE ORK	INTERNATIONAL Oberek Weseiny Pleasant Polish dance tune is orked with a nice lilt.	717072	Chemp 132.50 Bows 132.50 Check With Order
Coral 60089	Gertruda Polka Mild, under-recorded Polish polka.	63646063	Power 109.50 Rainbow 89.50 CARAVAN, UNITED'S UTAH, EXHIB-
& HIS POLKA	Big Joe Polka Zembrushi's crew turns in another effervescent effort.	77777678	Big Top 99.50 Puddin' Head 89.50 IT'S PLAYTIME. Telecard 134.50 Screwball 74.50 One-Two-Three 89.50 King Cole 69.50 WRITE FOR PRICES
Continental C-1266	Sonia Polka Real rousing polka wax is this instrumental item.	80808080	Cinderella 64.50 Robin Hood . 54.50 Monterrey 44.50 Tennessee 42.50 Tennessee 42.50 Tropicana 32.50 Blue Skies 82.50 Manhattan 30.00
JOHN HENDRIK ORK	Leb Wohl, Adieu, Auf Wiederschen The lovely German waltz tune is warbled with warmth and expressiveness by a quality crooner.	76787872	Singapore 19.50 Humpty Jack & Jill 49.50 Dumpty 44.50 S BLACK GOLDS, New, Orig. Crate \$149.50 GENERAL DISTRIBUTING CO. Amusement Corporation 412 9th Street, N. W. • DI-1625 Washington 4, D. C.
	Dann Bluhn Fur Mich Die Rosen "La Vie En Rose" is offered in German. Hen- drick employs some excellent Tauber-isms, in- cluding the famous mezzo-voce.	77807873	1225 N. Broad Ave. New Orleans, La.
POLISH MOUNTAIN- EERS V 25-9204	Hey! Maryniu Hillbilly orking is used on this polish polka, and the results are pleasant. Boy-girl team handles a lively Polish vocal.	71747070	SOUTHERN AUTOMATIC MOVING
	Walczyk Goralski (Mountaineer's Waltz) Danceable. Swiss-style waltz has a good Polish vocal by Wiadziu Zaremba.	727272	FT. WAYNE OFFICE TO LARGER QUARTERS
CINO BECHI V 25-7117	Ninna Nanna D'Amore From the film "Arrivederci Papa," the ace Italian baritone delivers a melodius bit in his most vibrant fashion.	81828280	To be in a position to give operators better service and to furnish ample parking space,
	Stasera Canto From the same film, Bechi does a rousing pro- duction piece. These Italian arrangers have been listening to American studio bands.	78797877	we are moving into much larger quarters. We now have 9,000 square feet of space.
SIX FAT DUTCHMEN	Cradle Polka Rollicking, tuba-thumping little-German-band instrumental polka should get attention in Teutonic and Bohemian nabes.	81818082	On and after September 8 Our Ft. Wayne office will be at
	Barn Dance Schottischa	81818082	2011 E MALIMEE AVE

	Barn Dance Schottische As should this delightful schottische.	81818082	SOIT E. MAOMILE AVE.
ANNI KAPITANY V 25-4111	Bei Dir War's Immer So Schon Thrush shows a superb German music hall contraito. Like Mariene—but a better techni- cal singer. Song is a pretty German pop,	757575	FT. WAYNE, INDIANA SOUTHERN AUTOMATIC MUSIC CO., INC.
	translation: It's So Wonderful To Be With You. Ich Bin Heute Ja So Verliebt As above.	75757575	SUDTILIKA AUTOMATIC MUSIC CO., INC.
- Harrison and the second	LATIN AMERICAN		
PEREZ PRADO	Electricidad (mambo) The Cuban Kenton turns in a strong mambo, with good-enough solo chanting. Modern brass figures give it plenty of punch.	80828078	NAVAJO
	Saca La Mano (mambo) Strong rhythm, screaming brass, and big block chords characterize this "progressive" aide. Good dance music.	77807775	Latest and Best Money Maker New Game of Skill. Small Investment, Excellent Returns. Takes Pennies. Nickels, Dimes and Foreign Coins. (No Federal Tax)
POLITO GALINDEZ- DON RUFO Lina L016	El Marido Y El Radio Man (rhumba) This is a party record in rumba tempo. Okay for dancing, but suggestive comedy is the main interest. For natives.	73NS7373	CONTACT YOUR STATE DISTRIBUTOR MICHIGAN-PORTMAN & PORTMAN 4213 Westnedge Ave., Kalamazoo, Mich.
•	Caray Caray (guaracha) More comic stuff in dance tempo. Mostly for natives.	747474	ORE., WASH., NORTHERN CALIFORNIA & IDAHO -W. P. WRIGHT 365 Vista St., Ashland, Ore. Phone: 3671
SERVANDO DIAZ TRIO Lina Lois	Todo En La Vida Se Paga (bolero) Typical tropical vocal group, with guitars, turn in an effective bit of harmony on a romantic ballad. Danceable.	73747372	MONTANA-MONTANA SPECIALTY SALES 2320 First St., North, Great Falls, Mont. OHIO-HOFFMAN SALES CO. Bryan, Ohio
	Lo Que Me Gusta De Ti (guaracha) A pleasing, good-natured bit of kidding, with a bright beat, but little melodic interest.	73747270	Write Us for State Distributorship. Samples \$14.50. Cash With Order CAUDLE & McCRORY MFG. CO.
DON PABLO ORK	Cubanita Fair-enough Americanized rumbs. Lacks color however.	62626362	116 WINTERS BLDG. 39 W. ADAMS P. O. Box 4423-Phone 2-7423 PHOENIX, ARIZONA
	Crazy Words. Crazy Tune In a purely American style, the band and vocalists turn in a feeble try to revive the Yellen-Ager smash from the '20s.	61626060	MILLER VENDING COMPANY offers:
CHAMACO DOMIN- GUEZ V 33-1304	Confesion (bolero) Mixed quartet combines slick American styling with the tropical approach. Backing of subtle plano, clarinet and shakers adds up to a beautiful side. It's danceable too.	82848080	FIVE-BALL Pin       Games-shop       checked       and       cleaned         Thrill       5 69.50       Ginger       \$17.50       Carnival (Bally)       \$ 79.50         Yanks       49.50       Ginger       \$17.50       Carnival (Bally)       \$ 79.50         Baseball (Chi Coln)       19.50       One-Two-Three       \$ 99.50       Singapore       \$ 10.00         Build Up       39.50       Baffle Card       \$ 10.00       Crary Ball       \$ 49.50
	Flor De Azalea (bolero) The excellent Mexican vocal group turns in another artistic effort here.	81828080	Bowling Champs
PEDRO VARGAS	Miseria (bolero) Vargas is in top form with this classy, pashy piece	84858383	Seeburg 88-RC. Wurlitzer 50 Console. \$ 25.00   Rock-Ola Standard \$ 45.00
	Que Linda Eres (bolero) A pleasant, but less distinctive side.	797978	Packard, Model #7 195.00 Seeburg Classic 59.50 Rock-Ola 1422 249.50 AMI, Model A 475.00 Rock-Ola Master 50.00 SEEburg Gem 45.00 SKEE BALLS AND ROLLDOWNS
HERMANOS DIAZ	Cara De Filo (guaracha) The Diaz brothers, with their suitars and bongos, create a danceable rumba in the na- tive style. The chanting is fine.	74757474	Big City       \$20.00       Premier Barrel Roll       \$30.00       Bally Hy Roll       \$47.00         Total Roll       20.00       Ten Grand Premier       30.00       Bank Ball, 14 fr.       \$47.00         Tin Pan Alley, new       40.00       Advance Roll       35.00       Bang A Fitty, 12 ft.       \$45.00         TERMS:       1/3       Certified Deposit with Order, Balance Sight Draft.       \$10.00       \$10.00
	Seguire Tus Pasos (bolero-mambo) Good beat thruout, but the harmony is a	68676968	42 Fairbanks St., NW., Grand Banids Michigan
	(Continued on page 114)		Phone: 9-8632

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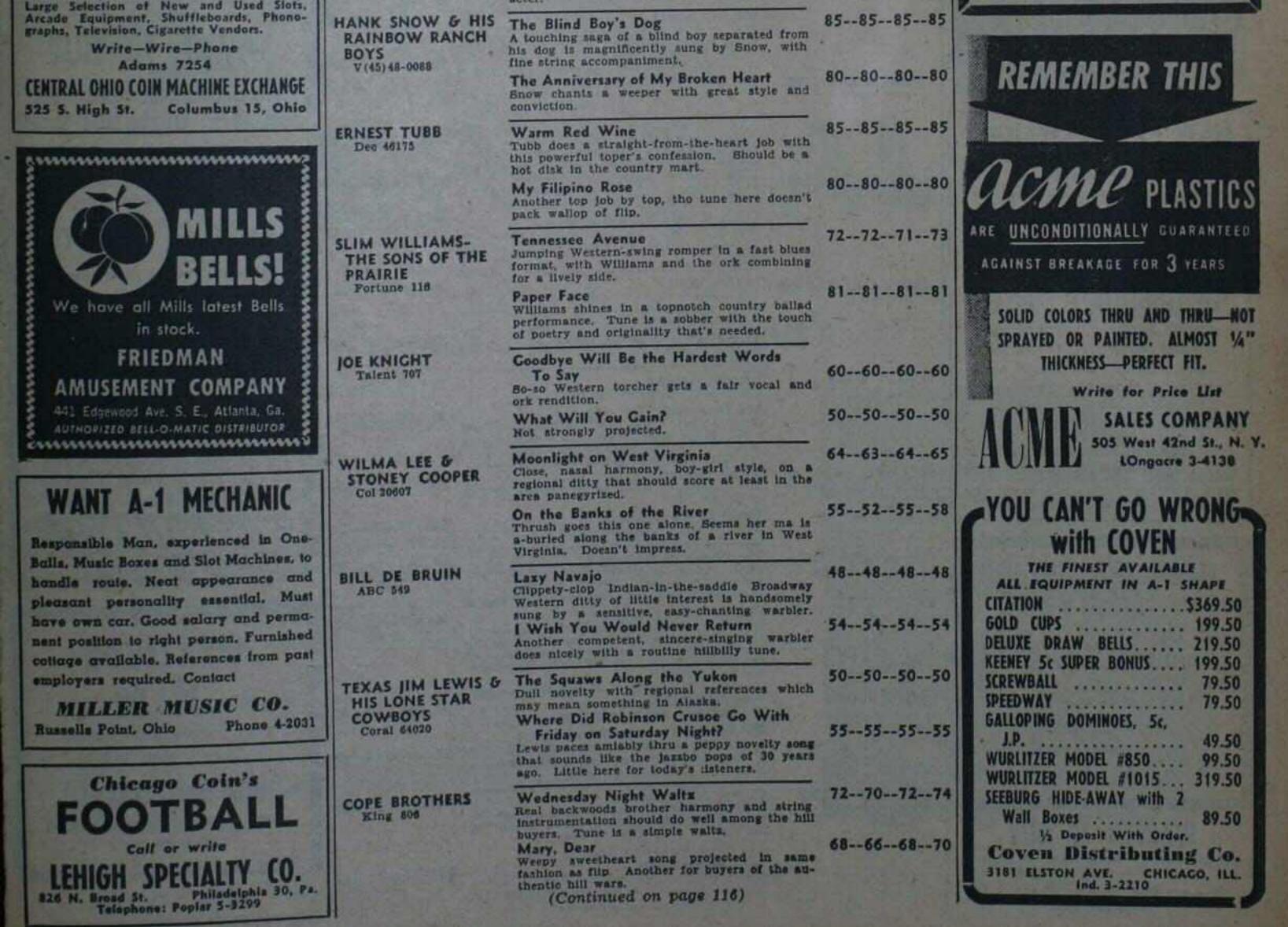
	SHIP YOUR COMPLETE GAME	Dec 40079	treatment of the classic. An engaging pro-	C. S. C. S. C.	10 Mills Original Plack Charles OF CO.
	VIA PREPAID MOTOR FREIGHT	Level and a strategy of	Hymn to Music	727470NS	10-Mills Original Black Cherries 95.00
	NATE SCHNELLER ING.	MARINE STR	Chopin's Etude in E Major dressed with lyrics and given a grandiose concerto-oratorio		25-Mills Original Blue Fronts 37.50
12	1427 North Broad St.	Soft Burgers	treatment. Waring devotees will dig the "class" here, the others may find it long-		10-Mills Original Brown Fronts 47.50
	Phila. 22, Pa.	BOB MANNERS'	winded and boring.	50505050	5-Jennings Standard Chiefs 95.00
	STevenson 2-0242	MUSIC MAKERS	Quartet tries to do a Joe Mooney and misses by a country mile.	505050	5-Jennings Bronze Chiefs 50.00
	GET ON OUR MAILING LIST FOR	Fortune III	Arms and Legs Polka A jolly enough job on an old tavern fave,	64616467	5-Watling Roll-a-Tops (late) 30.00
	FUTURE NASCO CONVERSIONS	1.	with boys eschewing the Mooney kick and playing it straight.	1 G.L. C.R. 76-	Guaranteed Ready for Location.
		LYNN PROCTOR'S	Oh! Dear, Dear Me	48484848	
	SLOTS—SAFES	TRIO Purvis 996	Trio expends considerable instrumental and vocal talent on a dull ditty.		Buckley Tarck Odds, Single Tube, J.P
			George Francis Lonely Autumn Lover	50505050	
	New and Used Se Blue or Brown Fronts\$ 69.50		Amateurish vocal on a modernish ballad penned by deelay Bettelou Purvis of WPGH.		CONSOLE DIST. CO., INC.
	10¢ Blue or Brown Fronts		Pittsburgh, who is putting the disk out on her own label. If tune has anything, the performance buries it.	A CONTRACTOR	DIST. FOR BUCKLEY MEG. CO.
	Se Black Cherrys	1200 2000	Per continue and the		3425 Metairie Rd., New Orleans, La.
	25¢ Black Cherrys		COUNTRY AND WESTERN	A COLORADO	
	Soc Pace-like new	ANDY DADUED &	Whippoorwill Waltz	65656565	TATAL MERICANE TITLE
	10c Standard Chiefs 159.50 25c Standard Chiefs 169.50	ANDY PARKER &	Warbling with echo effects on a ditty that's virtually a carbon melodically, of a pop of	0,0,0,0,	IIIII WEENEY'S IIIII
	Sr Mills Q.T. A-1	Cap 57-714	By the Light of the Altar Candles	82828282	New 3 Purpose Myslery
	Se Columbias 79.50 New Mills and Jennings Slots and Consoles:	14 m 1 1 1 2 2 2 2	Effective quasi-sacerdotal production is ad- dressed more to the pop market than the		FAST! DIFFERENT!
	New Safes-Single, Double Triple Revolvo- rounds. Write-Wire-Phone		home folks. Its sentimental, choir-liks mood could attract play.	and the state of	INNOCENT!
	Adams 7254	SKEETS YANEY &	I'm Sealing This Letter With Tears Presh country warbling and orking of a likely	72727074	Se counter size. Enormous earnings.
	CENTRAL OHIO COIN MACHINE EXCHANGE 525 S. High St. Columbus 15. Ohio	CHAMPIONSHIP	sentimentalizer. Alone Again	59595860	Operator's dream for closed terri- tory. Ideal for a DEAL. Nothing
		HILLBILLIES Col 20602	This is a city side as tune and treatment go pop. Not strong.		like it to compete with County exclusive on quantity. FIRST
	FOR SALE	ART GIBSON & HIS	A Little Love From You	72727173	ORDER LIMITED TO ONE SAM- PLE. RETURNABLE WITHIN 15
	Phonographs in Excellent Condition.	MOUNTAIN MEL- ODY BOYS	Standout guitaring and oksy chanting on an okay mountain tune.		DAYS FOR FULL REFUND.
	500	Mercury 6105	I'm A-Walkin' and Talkin' to Myself Rhythm ballad doesn't quite come over.	64646365	Sold direct and only to bona fide operators. No literature furnished.
	600 50.00	CECIL BAILEY	Jealous Heart Sprightly Western treatment of the sleeper hit,	78787878	Only a weak's test will convince. No replies to curiosity seekers.
	24 45.00 616A 40.00	Bullet 1083	with Balley projecting convincingly.	727272	DON'T be SECOND in your terri- tory. \$99.50
	8800, 8200 R.C. in excellent condition, newly refinished in walnut	(C. Balley and The Dixie Dous)	Fairy Tales Bailey and harmony vocalizers amble thru a distinctive and sentimental folker.		1/3 dept., batance C. O. D.
	Terms: 1/3 Deposit, Balance C.O.D.	BUDDY WALKER	Why Did You Teach Me To Care?	71717072	W. E. KEENEY MFG. CO.
	WEST SIDE NOVELTY COMPANY	Talent 726	Hill torcher in the authentic manner, with Walker chanting direct and sincere.	78 78 48 75	5818 WENTWORTH AVE.
	547 Swallow Street Edwardsville, Penn. Telephone: Kingston 7-3041	A ADD THE MARK	No Use To Be Apart Bong stands out from run-of-the-mins hill bal- inds, and is effectively warbled and orked.	757575	CHICAGO (21), ILL.
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WORKING CONDITION 2 Chicago Coin Shuffle King (Like New)	ARTIST LABEL AND NO.	TUNES	A ILER JOCKEY	
1 Scientific Batting Practice       59.50         3 Chicago Coln Hockey       59.50         1 Boomerang       42.50         1 '47 Bangtail       125.00         1 Exhibit Dale Gun       135.00         2 Victory Derby (One Ball)       75.00	BOB ATCHER Col 20608	COUNTRY AND WESTERN The Nightingale Old folk song is for the "intellectual" col- lectors. I'll Remember Your Love in My Prayers Here's one that country buyers could go for, but Atcher projects with too little authority.	66686863	
1 Q.T. Belgium Pool Table (Beacon Mfg.)	THE CARTER FAMILY Coral 64019	The Broken Down Tramp This moralizer, probably an old cutting by the famous family group, should still do busi- ness, especially in the hill country Honey in the Rock Great sacred singing, solo and harmony. Mate- rial is rich too. For the Southern trade.	75767674 787878NS	NEW LOW PRICE!
WANT LATE PIN GAMES FOR CASH OR WILL TRADE ANY OF ABOVE MACHINES. TERMS: 1/3 DEPOSIT WITH ORDER, BALANCE C, O, D. OR SIGHT DRAFT. CRATING EXTRA. TOM WORLEY COIN MACHINES	ROY ROGERS- COOLEY'S BUCKLE BUSTERS Coral 64016	Chase That Rabbit—Chase That Squirell From the cowboy flick king's square dance package. Calling is loud and clear. Band is adequate. The dance is one of the most popular Round the Couple and Swing When You Meet Ditto. Top notch calling.	78788073	\$13950 BRAND NEW
P. O. BOX 1942 GREENVILLE, S. C. PIN BALLS Buttons & Bows, Cottlieb\$149.50	PEE WEE KING & HIS GOLDEN WEST COWBOYS V(45) 48-0085	This swinging country polka is just Fee Wee's dish of colong, and he makes a fine, frisky side of it. Vocal and orking first-rate.	75747375	ROL-A-TOPS 5c-10c-25c PLAY
Puddin' Head, Genco	HOMER HAYNES	Waltz With Me The song's the thing here—a catchy waltz that could score done by a pop ricky-tick ork. Haynes does it prettily country style. Roll Along, Kentucky Moon Another attractive waltz, rendered with grace and easy style.	767676	FACTORY REBUILTS \$95 EACH Above Price F. O. B. Chicago
Spinballs, Chicago Coin       79.50         Summertime, United       99.50         Grand Award, Chicago Coin       119.50         Stormy, Williams       69.50         Caribbean, United       79.50         Catalina, Chicago Coin       69.50         Bermuda, Chicago Coin       69.50         Contact, Exhibit       89.50         Sally, Chicago Coin       119.50         Robin Hood, Gottlieb       79.50         Large Sciention of New and Used Slots	CHET ATKINS & HIS GUITAR PICKERS V(45)48-0089	Telling My Troubles to My Old Guitar Atkins takes the fine Western ditty at a light bounce, with a sparkling guitar obbligato in back. Dance of the Goldenrod Guitar and mandolin highlighted in a charm- ing instrumental waits with real folk char- acter.	76767478	WATLING MFG. CO. 4650 W. Fulton St. CHICAGO 44. ILL. Est. 1889-Tel.: COlumbus 1-2773 Cable Address "WATLINGITE," Chicago



### COIN MACHINES 116 The Billboard September 10, 1949 Immediate **Record Reviews** the R suggest & suggest 0 and RATINGS Delivery : DISK 0 20 (Continued from page 115) 1 111 -FROM STOCK 211 ARTIST 20 JOCKEY TUNES TOR LABEL AND NO. COMMENT ins. 20 Wire hack COUNTRY AND WESTERN √ triple √ tested / values TEX WILLIAMS (There's a) Bluebird on Your Cap 57-40225 Windowsill 81--82--80--80 Williams does his usual cool job with a fine 18 or 20 Strand song. Perfect background setting ONLY ONE A Letter Asking for My Broken Heart Williams tackles a tear-jerking love ballad 81--82--80--80 with consummate ease. TELEVISION-PHONOGRAPH COMBINATION SONS OF THE Lie Low, Little Dogies 78--78--77--79 IN PERFECT OPERATING The Pioneers lean toward the religious in PIONEERS CONDITION this fine effort. V 21-0098 Specially SEOE.00 Fully The Bar-None Ranch **Color Combinations** 78--78--77--79 Priced at 373 Croted Another fasty job, again with religious over-1/4 Deposit, Balance C. O. D. tones. This is an excellent group, Write for Complete Music List. Drowning My Sorrows This side's citified enough to bid for pop coin. Bond's backing raises a big beat. Pushback wire, for many years one of JOHNNY BOND 75--75--75--75 Col 20609 our leading items, has kept pace with the phenomenal growth of the coin Women Make a Fool Out of Me NEW YORK CORP. machine industry. 68--70--65--70 Bond lays down a passable novelty in accept-**Exclusive Seeburg** able fashion. Distributors The wide variety of color combinations 583 10th Ave (Car 42nd St.). New York 18, N. Y. Bryant 9-5620 available lends itself to devious meth-EVELYN GEORGE Goodbye, My Darling Miss George is a wailing thrush. She does a 40--40--40--40 ods of wiring harness - to meet any Maunay Records M-101 NEW ENGLAND BRANCH: tavern tune here with rolling plano and counrequirements of the industry. 624 Franklin Ave. Hartford, Conn. try ork support. I Wonder Who's Missing Who Now Coin machine service organizations and 47--45--50--50 Miss George's singing style is suited to an-other tear jerker. Nothing impressive here. distributors are invited to write for com-**HEADQUARTERS** for plete information as to how they may better serve their trade by furnishing Don't Call Mc Sweetheart Anymore Big dance band backing for the Spade Cooley SPADE COOLEY ORK 72--72--72--72 them with RUNZEL quality wire. (Jed Dees) vocal of the pop. We Offer Only the Best, 47-2962 Manufacturers of coin machines may Arizona Waltz 74--74--74--74 Unconditionally Guaranteed! Becky Barfield vocal of the Rex Allen walts avail themselves of our engineering gets a more typical backing. facilities for designing correct and most MILLS-All Models . efficient wiring harness. BLUE BELLS . BLACK BEAUTY BELLS Jolly Old Saint Nicholas 65--68--64--64 RAY SMITH Smith's early Xmas entry fails to impress. CRISS CROSS . TIC-TAC-TOE Col 20504 An Old Christmas Card Complete Machines and Conversion Kits Used Machines Taken in Trade. 72--74--72--70 Send us your specifications for Vaughan Horton has penned a fine piece of Christmas material here. There's nothing outstanding in the rendition, the it tries for SAVE MONEY WITH INTER-COM CABLE some fancy touches. **Tennessee Baby** 1700 W. WASHINGTON BLVD. CHICAGO 12, ILL. 78--78--77--78 DUDE MARTIN Martin has stiff competition here in the Tubb V 21-0099 version, but he does a spanking fine job.

Cord and Wire Co. 1723 W. MONTROSE AVE.		Old Doc Brown Country folks who feel sentimental about their local horse 'n' buggy doc will go for Martin's alushy, over-long narration.	666665	WANT TO BUY
CHICAGO 41, ILL.	CHARLIE MONROE	Our Mansion Is Ready The mansion's in heaven, of course. Monroe's lads deliver some choice hill harmony, Kain- tuck style.	727272	
NEW - HEAVYWEIGHT		A Valley of Peace Authentic, homey, back-country music making.	71717270	
MADE OF 10 GAUGE STEEL	HANK THOMPSON Cap 57-40218	Whoa, Sailor Tale of a sailor's night on shore makes for good listening in Hank's friendly styling.	71747070	Give price, condition and quantity in first letter.
REVOLVAROUND CUSTOM MADE—BURGLAR- PROOF	fundadi and	Swing Wide the Gates of Love Dancey rhythm and good teel guitar help Thompson thru a fairly inconsequential Western.	70707070	Hermitage Music Co. 423 Broad Streat Nashville, Tenn.
DISTRIBUTORS' PRICES	JENNY LOU CARSON	Jealous Heart The composer's own version of the smash, while packed with feeling, is unlikely to	72747273	
SINGLE SAFES\$129.50 ea. DOUBLE SAFES 189.50 ea.		catch the romping Al Morgan disk. Tell Him I'm Blue Not too much here.	60606060	ARCADE OUTFITTERS SINCE 1912 Location and Arcade Money Getters NEW 8 BALL ROLL DOWNS
TRIPLE SAFES 235.00 ea. NEWBOX STANDS . 18.50 ea.	ERNEST TUBB	Slipping Around Here's one that should go places.	85858585	WHILE THEY LAST_ONLY \$95.00 EA.
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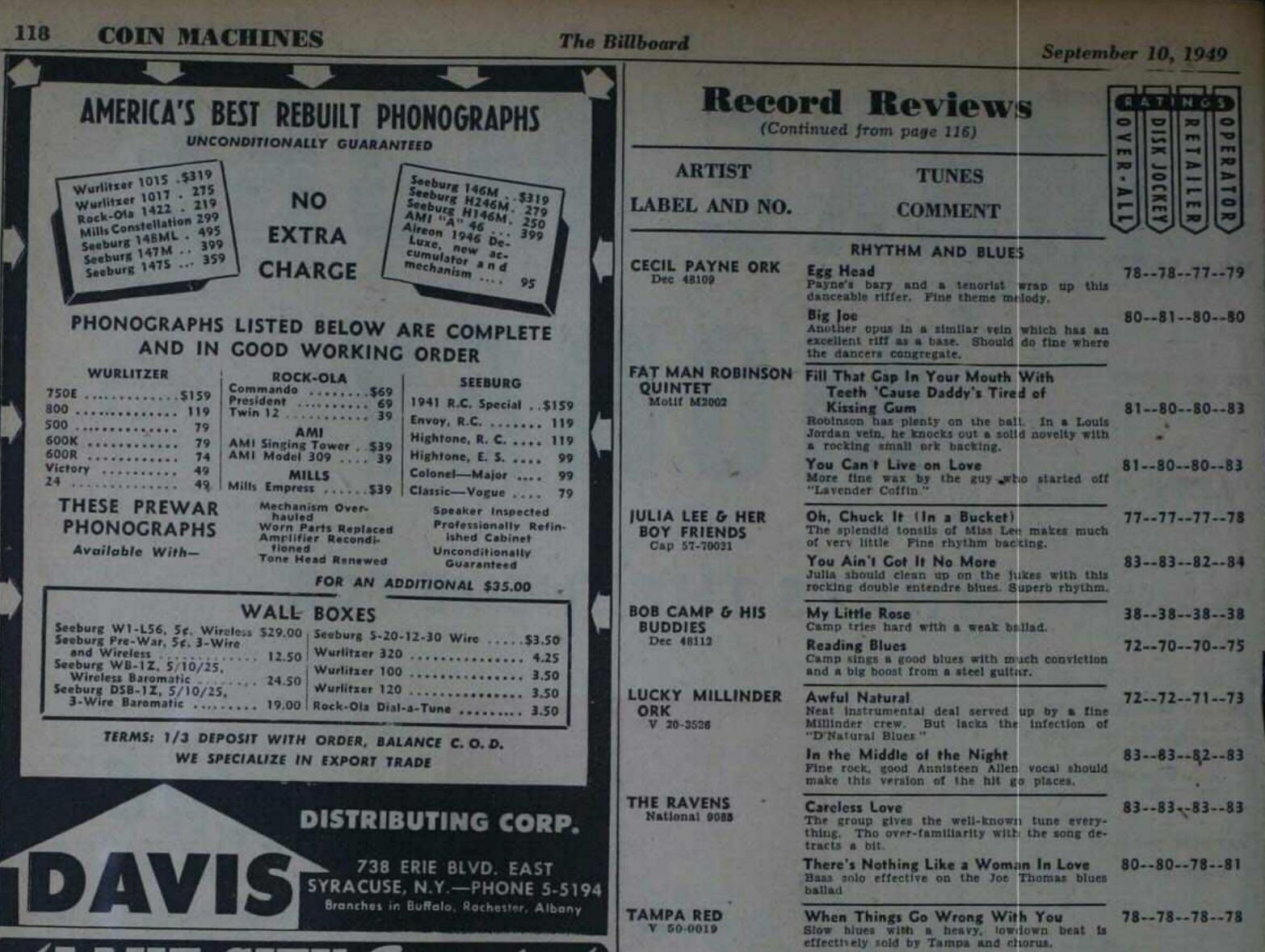
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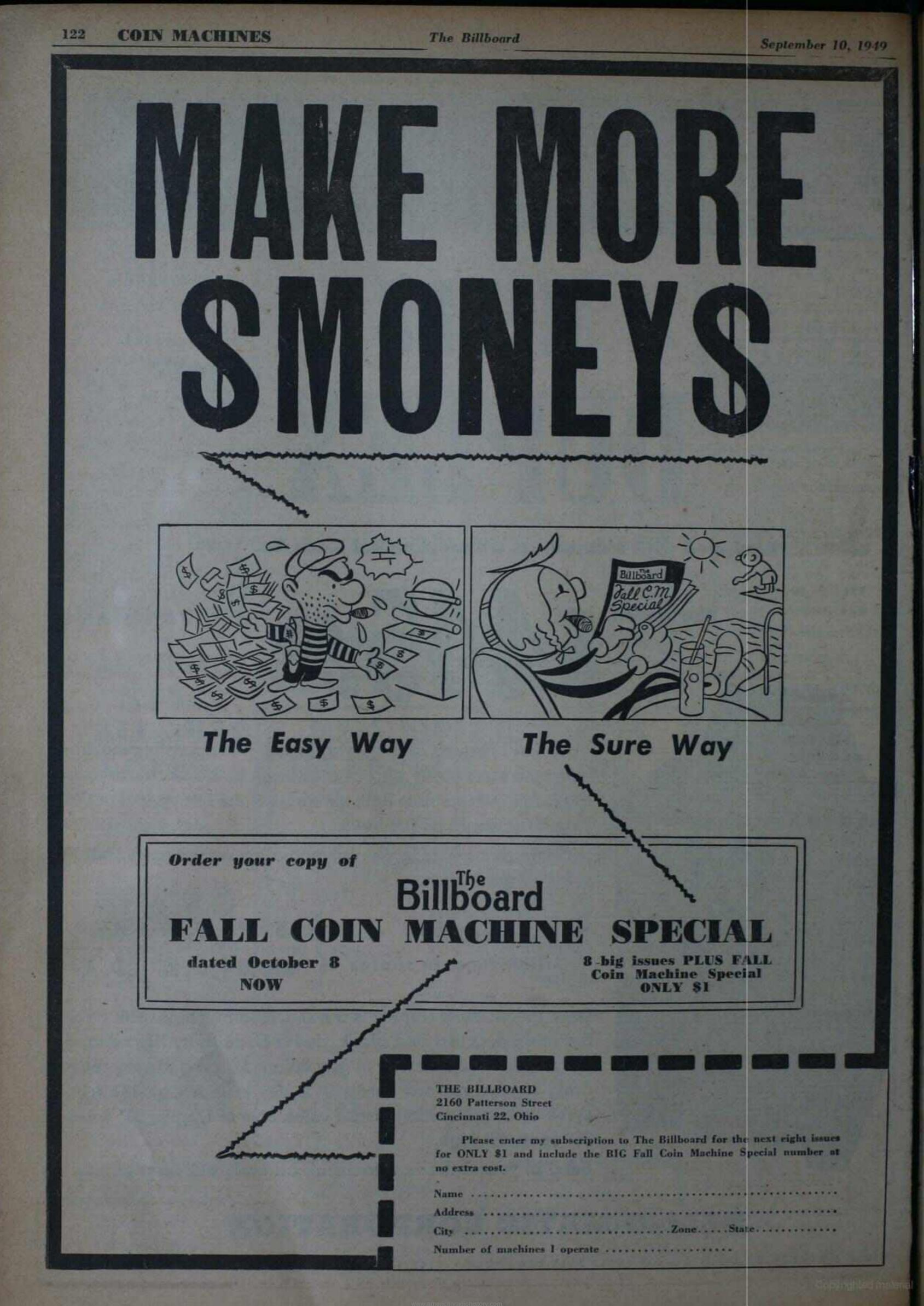
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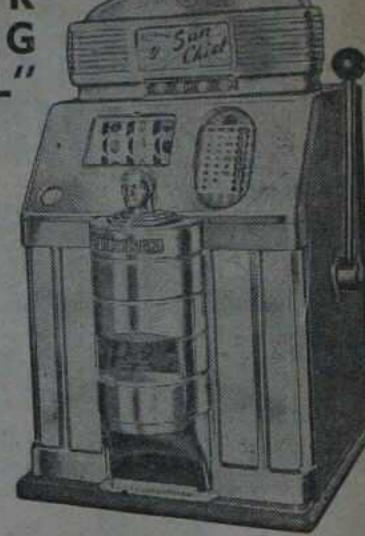
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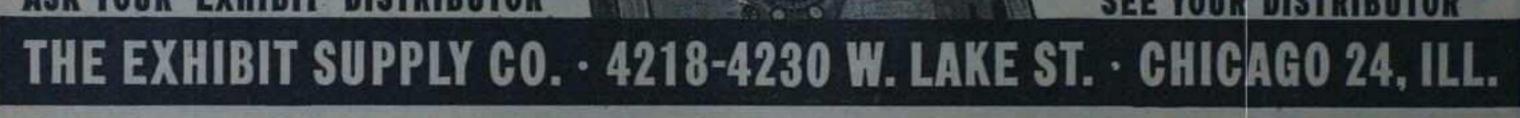
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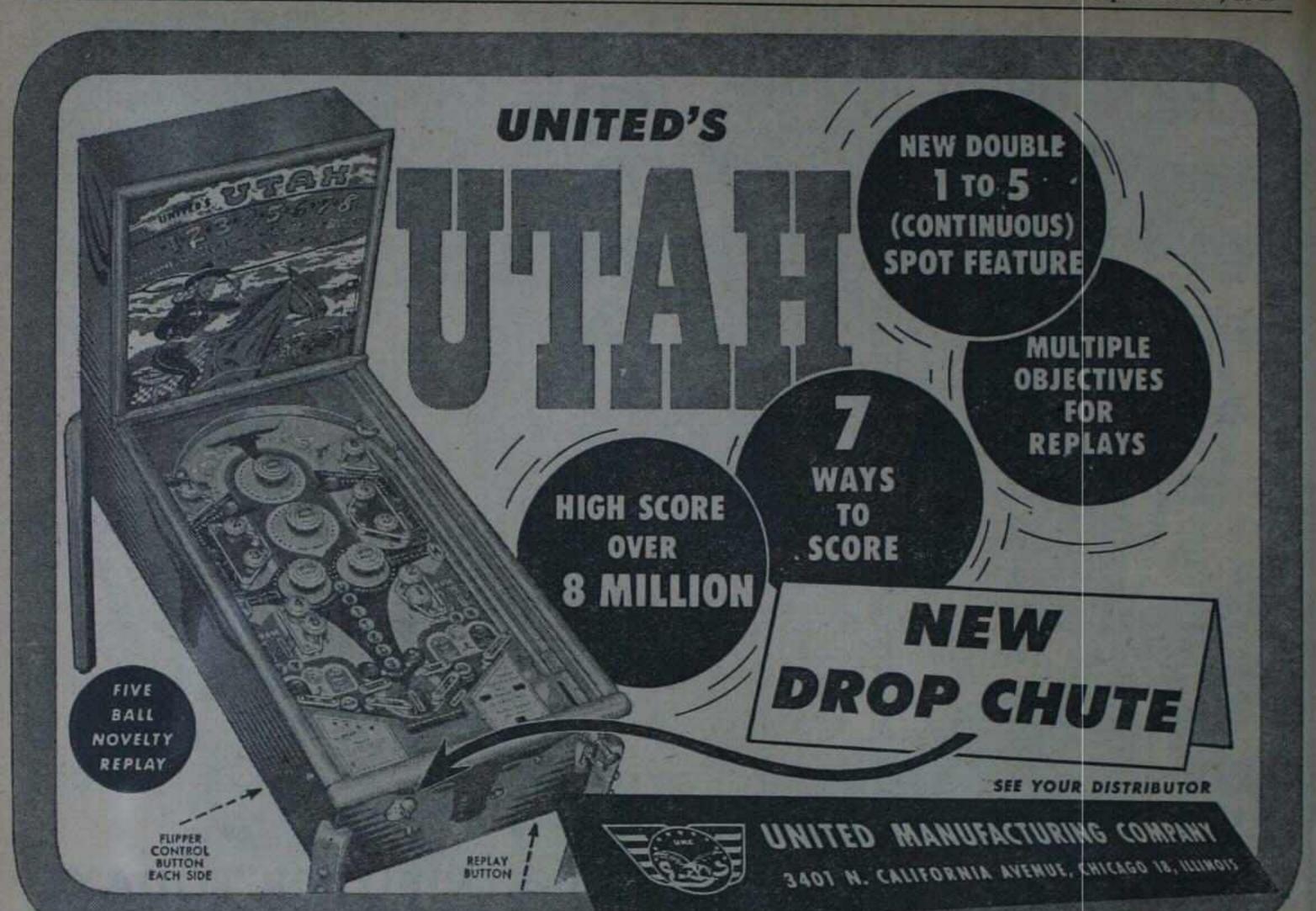
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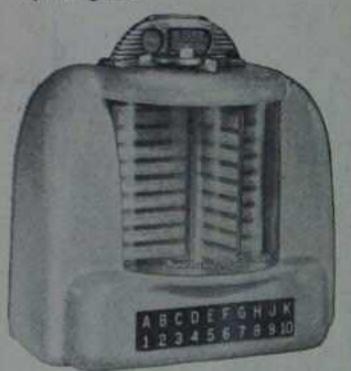
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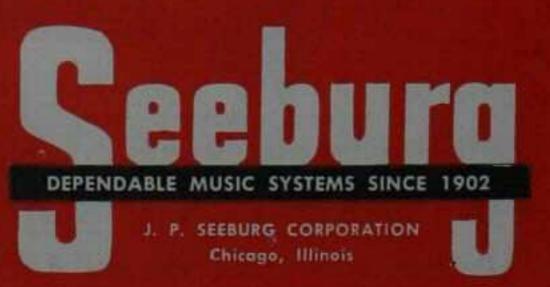
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