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From REG ROBINSON, MM Parliamentary Correspondent

ISC jockeys emerged victorious in the House of Commons last week despite a slashing payola attack on them by Mr. Roy Mason, Labour MP for Barnsley.

All his allegations were shot down by Postmaster-General Reginald

Bevins, who spoke of disc jockeys as "men of honour."

One fact to emerge was that deejays do not choose by themselves the records they play on their programmes.

Mr. Mason went all out in his attack. He alleged that the Top Twenty was a swindle and that the young record-buying public were being swindled.

# PM's SALARY

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He criticised the "undesirable alliance" of discipockeys and producers of record programmes with record firms as partners or employees, while at the same time they had jobs with the Press, writing on what records to buy.

One example, he said, was David Jacobs, who had been voted top discipockey of the year. IMM: March 26.1

"I understand he is earning at least as much money

ing at least as much money as the Prime Minister," declared Mr. Mason.

that And he alleged

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Josh White opened his 1960 tour of Britain on Saturday with a concert at Islington Town Hall organised by the Ballads and Blues Association. He is pictured during the show, framed by Jack Fallon's bass (see review, page 10).

# JAZZMEN'S HOLIDAY



Eggy Ley's Jazzmen are spending a two-month working holiday home in Britain after 41 years based in Germany. Caught in action during Monday's "April Fools Jazz Band Ball at Hammersmith Palais" were (above) Eggy (sop.), John Cox (drs.) and Dave Hunt (tmb.). The group is completed by Tony Bagot (tpt.), Wayne Chandler (bjo.) and Colin Boulter (bass). They return to the Continent on May 23.

GORDON MacRAE, Harry James and Betty Grable, Les Paul and Mary Ford—these are some of the American stars top agent Leslie Grade is planning to bring to Britain.

Grade arrived back in Town on Monday from a round trip "look see" star-scouting trip to the States. Among the centres he visited were New York, Hollywood and Las Vegas.

TV 'HAVE JAZZ,

## Hurricanes tour

He has already set up an eight-week tour for Johnny and the Hurricanes, which starts on June 6. The best-selling disc

June 6. The best-selling disc group will play one-night-stands and concerts here.

Les Paul and Mary Ford are set for appearances in the South of France this summer, with a possible return trip to Britain in the offing.

And at presstime Grade was still negotiating for a British appearance of Johnny Mathis— one of the top priority names on his list.

# WILL TRAVEL'

THE first in a series of 39 TV films on European jazz will be filmed at London's Marquee Club next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Taking part will be the Chris Barber Band and the Joe Harriott Quintet.

Under the title "Have Jazz, Will Travel," the series is being made by independent producer Ron Rowson for the American market. Dick Lester is director of the series.

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# **Keteers** cash **DOLICE** were this week probing a new jazz racket.

A large quantity of forged tickets were circulated for the Acker Bilk Band's appearance at the Locarno Ballroom, Swindon, organised by Swindon Jazz Club last Thursday.

# Ticket touts

tickets to get into the ball-

room before they were detected by the doormen.
And to prove that the Bilk Band is now big business, ticket touts outside the ballroom were

solising genuine tickets for as much as 15s.—three times their face value.

Commented the band's agent.
Lyn Dutton: "I am not at all surprised. Acker is doing fantastic business everywhere."

## Four-figure fee

"I am at the moment negotiating for the band to play a week at the Top Hat Ballroom, Portstewart, Northern Ireland,

# Back at Colony

American singing star Julie Wilson starts a two-week cabaret season at London's Colony Restaurant on June 6.

Julie, who starred in "South Pacific" and "Kiss Me Kate," played the Colony two years ago.

31 and June 21.

for a four figure fee—which must be unique for a ballroom engagement."

The band has also been signed for a series of five BBC lunchtime airings under the title "Mr. Acker Bilk."

The first will be heard in the Light Programme on May 3 from 1 p.m. to 1.30 p.m. and the others will go out on May 10, 17, 31 and June 21.

In addition, the band airs in BBC "Jazz Club" tonight (Thursday), opposite the Micky Ashman group, and plays its second consecutive Saturday afternoon "The Music of Mr. Acker Bilk" show for the BBC this week-end.

From April 20, the Bilk band has 18 consecutive one-night stands throughout the North of England and Scotland.

stands throughout the North of England and Scotland.

THE "Melody Maker" is as new as tomorrow. And like a new day, something fresh always dawns in the newspacked columns of the MM—Britain's brightest, most up-to-date and swinging entertainment weekly.

THIS week, the MM proudly announces a "Melody Maker Jazz Week-end—the first event of its kind ever staged in the North-West. Ten bands and a host of stars make this venture a MUST for your date book. Turn to page 8 for full

A ND don't miss that other big MM event—the Dance Musicians' Convention at the Royal Festival Hall on May 7. Featured will be the winning score in the arranging competition which closes this Saturday.

WANT to win £500? Then write the words for a TV jingle in the Johnson's One-Step car polish competition being run in conjunction with High-Fye Jingles. Leaflets giving full details can be obtained from any local garage, Halfords and accessory dealers. Closing date is May 31. Five hundred jingles have already been received,





# TV VIEWERS LOSE AGAIN It's happened again. Jack Good proudly announces his new programme "Wham" will be screened from 6—6.30 p.m. in direct competition to "Juke Box Jury." When will programme planners realise that people would like to see both programmes?—A. T. Scott, Halpin Place, S.E.17. • LP WINNER Banjos I SHOULD like to point out to Mike Hart (last week's "Mailbag") that the banjo can interpret modern music as well as traditional music, as he would learn if he could attend our Annual Rally at St. Pancras Town Hall on May 14.—Bertie Owen, The British Federation of Banjolsts, Mandolinists and Guitarists. Plan I AM delighted to read in Britain.

Plan

AM delighted to read in Lat Brand's column that the BBC is considering later broadcasts. Why can't the BBC and the MU come to an agreement with "The Voice of America" to relay their excellent "Jazz Hour"?—Tony Hallett, Bournemouth.

• LP WINNER

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RECORL I was a plan singles, w of these part pays Redfield.

Luna

I HAVE
Donegan's laze criticidea that female me RECORD companies are all rushing into the "cheaper LP" market. It is about time one of them introduced a plan by which EPs and singles, which constitute part of these LPs, may be used as part payment.—M. G. Pode, Redfield, Bristol, 5.

# Lunatic?

HAVE just read Bob Daw-barn's review of Dorothy Donegan's new LP. Where did jazz critics get the Indicrous idea that the way to praise a female musician is to refer to 

A RECENT article contained the implication that no special cream lubricant for trombone slides was available

trombone slides was available in Britain.
You will be interested to know that, for many years, we have been marketing a trombone slide lubricant under the trademark "Trombotine."—Roy B. Morris, Rose.
Marris and Co., Ltd., London, E.C.2.

# Bored

WHY are we inflicted with
"Juke Box Jury" every
Saturday evening?
For thirty minutes the
public is forced to look at
live bored faces interspersed
with shots of more faces
from the audience.
Net result—a very monotonous half-hour. — Stuart
Gilles, London, N.15.

# Surprise

WAS surprised that such a great entertainer as Elia Fitzgerald was overlooked by the TV companies during her recent visit.—J. Hodgson, Co. Durham.

# Melody Maker charts service

Week ended April 9, 1960 (4) STUCK ON YOU/FAME AND FORTUNE Elvis Presley. RCA . Lonnie Donegan, Pye (1) MY OLD MAN'S A DUSTMAN. (2) FALL IN LOVE WITH YOU/WILLIE AND THE HAND JIVE ...... Cliff Richard. Columbia 3. (2) FALL IN LOVE WITH YOU WILLIE AND THE HARD
JIVE Cliff Richard. Columbia
4. (5) HANDY MAN Jimmy Jones. MGM
5. (10) DO YOU MIND? Anthony Newley. Decca
6. (6) THEME FROM "A SUMMER PLACE"
Percy Faith. Philips 7. (3) RUNNING BEAR ...... Johnny Preston. Mercury 8. (8) BEATNIK FLY ... Johnny and the Hurricanes, London (9) FINGS AIN'T WOT THEY USED TBE
Max Bygraves. Decca . Perry Como. RCA (7) DELAWARE ... 11. (12) YOU GOT WHAT IT TAKES .. Mary Johnson. London 14. (-) SWEET NUTHIN'S ..... Brenda Lee. Brunswick 15. (15) CLEMENTINE ..... Bobby Darin. London

16. (13) WILD ONE ...... Bobby Rydell Columbia
17. (—) CATHY'S CLOWN ..... Everly Brothers. Warner Bros.
18. (16) LOOKING HIGH, HIGH, HIGH 19. (—) FOOTSTEPS ...... Steve Lawrence. HMV 20. (—) HE'LL HAVE TO GO ...... Jim Reeves. RCA

(1) SEVEN AGES OF ACKER (LP) ..... Acker Bilk, Columbia Miles Davis. Fontant Columbia Capitol

(4) HAVE TRUMPET—WILL EXCITE (LP) ... Dizzy Gillespie. HMV

(6) BREAKFAST DANCE AND BARBECUE (LP) Count Basie. Columbia

(7) BACK TO BACK (LP) ... Johnny Hodges and Duke Ellington. HMV

(8) THIS IS JAZZ (LP) ... Ken Colyer. Columbia

(0) (—) CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD (LP) ... Count Basie. Columbia

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(--) THIS IS HANGOCK Tony Hancock. Pye
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5. (5) A SUMMER PLACE (A) (2/-) ... Blossom
6 (6) WHY? (A) (2/-) ... Debmar
7. (7) RUNNING BEAR (A) (2/-) ... Southern
8. (8) ROYAL EVENT (B) (2/-) ... Noel Gay
9. (11) BEYOND THE SEA (F) (2/-) ... Chappell
10 (9) SLOW BOAT TO CHINA (A) (2/-) ... Morris
11. (10) SUMMER SET (B) (2/-) ... Cromwell
12. (16) FALL IN LOVE WITH YOU (B) (2/-) ... Kallth
13. (--) DO YOU MIND? (B) (2/-) ... Macmelodies
14. (13) POOR ME (B) (2/-) ... Mills
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(Coventry), Ltd. WORTHING— CAMBRIDGE—Miller and Sons, Ltd. COVENTRY—J. Fennell (Coventry), Ltd. WORTHING—The Record Centre, Ltd. BATH—Green and Marsh, Ltd. OX-FORD—Russell Acott, Ltd. BOLTON—Telebire, Ltd. FOLKESTONE—The Folkestone Granophone Co. 

# Hot from Hollywood comes this Howard Lucraft EXCLUSI

# AS VEGAS is still recovering.

The onslaught by Sinatra and his "Clan" is over. Frank, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis, Jnr., and Peter Lawford are now back in Los Angeles.

Davis was wont to refer to me,' he yells. 'Suggest, but himself, in the show, as "a don't tell me.'"

Sinatra did almost everything in the film with two takes or less.

"Film costs money," he told his director, "and noover. Frank, Dean Martin, Sammy Davis, Jnr., and Peter Lawford are now back in Los Angeles. In Vegas it was a round-the-clock affair in three acts

During the day they filmed Sinatra's "Ocean's 11" pic-

# On stage bar

Then, for their act in the early evening at the Sands Hotel, the quartet ad libbed merrily throughout their show in the main room.

They even had a bar, with "for real" liquor, on stage.
After the second show, in the early hours of the morning, as John Tynan so aptly reported:

# Red Norvo

••••• "The fun simply shifted into a little higher gear in the hotel lounge, to which all would repair and listen all would repair and listen to Red Norvo's jazz, while Sinatra is at his happiest Sinatra held court. One night, both Sinatra and Davis joined Norvo and entertained the clamouring crowd until 3.30 a.m."

During this period, Sammy and sickness. 'Don't tell can get to it. Sinatra is at his happiest with this picture—he's decidedly the boss. John Bowes reported recently: "Sinatra's resentment of authority comes close to being a sickness. 'Don't tell

"It was dreamed up by a told his director, "and nofellow who worked at a gas station in Santa Monica," doesn't keep his eye on the budget, buddy boy!"

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#### Cremated \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

The police close roads, airport, etc., immediately. Helicopters patrol above the desert. One of the 11 dies at this juncture and the money is smuggled out in his coffin money is smuggled out in his coffin.

The final pay-off comes

The final pay-off comes when the widow has the coffin (with the 10 million bucks inside) cremated before Danny and his buddies can get to it.

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Even the "one-armed bandits" shook when Sinatra and his Clan hit Vegas.

phone. All very informal—and very eye-filling!
Sinatra strolled in, took a gander at the girls, and stripped to the waist, was stretched out on a couch, face down.

phone. All very informal—this friends, he added: "I think we're getting a real fun film. At least, you can see that we're having real fun making it."

When the director called warning, grabbed the soda stretched out on a couch, face down. face down.

Pretty Joan Staley, in shorts and a blouse that set off her quite sensational figure, was massaging his

Ann Neyland, another curvacious lovely, was swaying in time to wild music a portable

warning, grabbed the soda syphon and squirted a stream on to Lawford's bare back.

bounced the bouncy Miss
Staley right on to the floor.

"Just thought you needed
cooling off," said Sinatra
with a straight face.

# Shook up

•••••• The Chief of Police was, Lawford let out a yell and reportedly, "pretty shook

counced the bouncy Miss up."

taley right on to the floor.

"Just thought you needed cooling off," said Sinatra cith a straight face.

Then, turning to some of switching a few wires."



THE CLAN-Dean Martin (left) Peter Lawford and Sammy Davis, jnr.

# Hot show gets a cold reception

we can hear you breathing," he said.

The package really deserved better attention for its opening.

Announcements were almost dispensed with, and the show went cracking on from number to number.

So fast, in fact, that it closed after only an hour and 25 minutes of playing time. But that, I hope, was merely a first-night miscalculation.

culation.

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Johnny Preston



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# **IMAGINATIVE**

Today's band is different and I think better than

and I think better than ever.

The men are given a chance to write. Frank Foster and Thad Jones, in particular, are contributing imaginative manuscripts which, incidentally, are dissimilar in style.

Foster's arrangements play an increasingly important part, and since they seem always to have a high jazz potential, this is a very welcome development.

At Birmingham, the programme included pieces by Neal Hefti, Quincy Jones, Benny Carter, Thad Jones and Frank Foster.

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SPECIALITIES

There were compositions by Basie and Joe Newman, and arrangements by Jimmy Jones and George Williams. These are in addition to the odd popular songs and Joe Williams specialities included.

The evening began with

Post-interval honours were pretty evenly divided between "Mellow Tone," Quincy's electrifying "Rat Race" (both tenors to the front) and Foster's surging "Blues In Frankie's Flat." Newman, Foster and Henry Coker furnished solos on the last, and Coker was then spotlighted on "The Song Is You."

For the last lap, Joe Williams—the distinctive, bigwiced band singer—who sailed into "Smack Dab in the Middle" and showed,

Hefti's "Tenderfoot" (also called "Has Anybody Here Seen Basie?"), Thad's "Counter Block" (with Foster soloing) and Carter's "Chestnut Street Rumble" (billed in the programme as "Chestnut Suite Ramble"). Basie played typical piano on the second and third, while Billy Mitchell blew soft and blue on "Chestnut."

"Bag of Bones" earned a good hand for Messrs. Coker, Grey and Powell; new man Sonny Cohn took Culley's muted trumpet solo in the insinuating "Lil' Darlin'."

After these came Neyman

Darlin'."
After these came Newman and Wess on "The Midgets," well received and well played, though the mighty rhythm—and especially the drums—denied me the pleasure of Joe's muted trumpet. Perhaps I was poorly placed for sound.

# **GLORIOUS**

Al Grey's trombone growled and shouted on "Needs," the brass erupted in glorious volume, and the crowd broke previous applause records.

Sonny Payne, too, caused sundry outbreaks of excitement.

Post-interval honours were pretty evenly divided be-



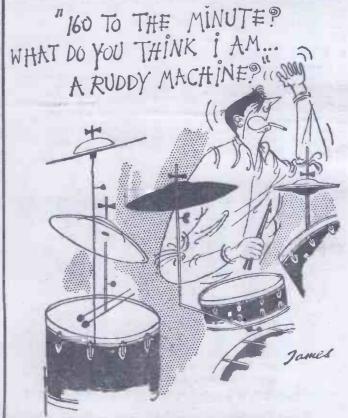
Count Basie

#### **Bradford** ...and at

EIGHT thousand Bradford jazz fans had the choice of three outstanding jazz events last Saturday night.

Kenny Ball's Jazzmen pulled in over 1,000 at an all-night session at the Students' Jazz Club; Chris Barber's Band, with Ottilie Patterson and Sister Rosetta Tharpe, played to a full 2,000 at St. George's Hall; and at the Gaumont Theatre, Count Basie opened his fourth British tour with two concerts—drawing 5,000.

The audience clearly did not agree with Basie that the band had not yet settled down, and responded enthusiastically.



# hmmmmmmm Page 1

Jacobs, in the "Juke Box Jury" programme, had complete autonomy of selection. Yet he was employed by Pye Records and wrote a weekly discarticle.

Ker Robertson, producer of
"Cool for Cats," was also
attached to Pye Records and also
wrote a disc article.
Kent Walton, disc jockey for
Robertson, was employed by Top
Rank.

Rank.

Jack Good was firstly a television producer and, secondly, a music publisher with a half share in a business. He worked for Decca Records as a recording manager and for EMI as a disc jockey. And he also wrote a record column.

Russ Conway who recently

record column.
Russ Conway, who recently had a TV programme. discovered and now managed singer Eddy Falcon. Twice he had been a guest on the show—plugging Russ Conway's numbers.

## Exploited

Mr. Mason said that teenagers were being cheated and exploited whenever they bought a record. The Top Twenty was a swindle. There was not only one Top Twenty. There was another called Juke Box Top Twenty and another called Twenty Top Tunes.

called Juke Box Top Twenty and another called Twenty Top Tunes.

"Record firms are making arrangements with their agents and distributors to boost a record," he said. "They take extra copies on special terms and those they do not sell they can return. So the record starts to move and they can claim it is certain to move into the Top Twenty. That is how trash is getting into the Top Twenty."

He went on to complain of a bad side being coupled with a hit. Record manufacturers, he said, watched for hits in America or for a song destined to be a hit. Some recording managers had connections with music publishing companies, though not usually openly, and also had artists under their direction.

record the "B" side of the record, assuring it a large sale. He quoted several authorities to support his case, one of them being Jack Payne, who had stated: "Most emphatically, bribery occurs in the pop music industry and I defy anyone to prove otherwise."

Declaring that the British songwriter did not have a chance of competing against the rings, Mr. Mason said: "First, he has to persuade a publisher to publisher has to persuade a record company to make the record. Thirdly, the recording manager has to try to get the song on the air.

Formidable

## Formidable

"These are formidable obstacles which cannot be surmounted. The only method left is for the man to buy himself in.

"Everybody wants a cut from the royalties, so he has to make an effort to bribe someone in order to get into this closed shop. Therefore the honest songwitters in this country are being frozen out of the market."

He ended by calling on the Postmaster-General to request the BBC and ITA to conduct internal inquiries into these malpractices.

In his reply, Mr. Bevins said he had made a point of listening to one or two of the programmes on which Mr. Mason's criticisms were centred. He had found them "quite amusing," provided that "one closes one's ears to the words."

He pointed out that successive Governments had always endorsed the independence of the BBC and ITA in their day-to-day affairs. It was their business to keep their houses in

ness to keep their nouses morder.

Quite clearly, any attempt excessively to plug unpopular or dreary records would very quickly lead to a falling off in audiences to the disadvantage, both financial and otherwise, of the programme company or the broadcasting authority.

In addition, there was ex-

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IN order to accommodate this full report of a topic of such importance to the record industry and the record-buying public, Pat Brand's "On the Beat" has been held over. It will appear as usual next week.

by Hubert W. David

THE success of any sales campaign for a particu-lar product depends on a number of factors, among them efficient marketing, Press advertising, wordof - mouth recommenda-tion and—believe it or

not—the weather! ut, even though the television jingle does not always take pride of place, a manu-facturer can seldom afford to

facturer can seldom afford to ignore it.

Vast research is needed before an advertising jingle can be written, and assessing the value of its appeal is a task similar to the exploitation man's efforts to sense the worth of a song—there is no set formula for a hit.

Nowadays it has become common practice to devise "test" commercials, which seldom reach the TV public.

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recalled different points about the commercial—if they noticed it at all. will give more examples of this research next week.

## Anthem award

ONGRATULATIONS to Mrs.

C. Kernot, of Palmers Green, who has won the £1,000 prize offered for a Nigerian National Anthem.

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Frank Parr, with Mick Mulligan and Ian Christie, at Beaulieu.

"THERE is far more appreciation of jazz in the provinces than in London," says Frank Parr. "The big provincial jazz clubslike Liverpool, Manchester and Bradfordare great places to play in."

Frank can count himself something of an authority on the subject.

# DECLINE

trombonist with the As Mick Mulligan Band he averages some 600 miles a week in the bandwagon-a

# Frank Parr tells what it's like to cover 30,000 miles a year

# **BOB DAWBARN**

of 30,000 miles of total

British roads a year.
"Over the last six or nine
months there has been a big
change in one-nighters," he

"A decline in the ballrooms has been offset by a sharp rise in both the number of jazz clubs throughout the country and the size of their audiences."

Night," and the photographer had prospected by day—to find a suitably deserted, evocative location.

cative location.

He found just the place—a lonely alley complete with lamppost and shady doorways.

We arrived at midnight, to find the lonely alley alive with paper lambda.

people.
One of the shady doorways

There were two alternatives

Jazz musicians are a democratic bunch, they come in all shapes and from all types of backgrounds. Frank, however, is unique—the only county cricketer turned professional musician.

On leaving school in 1946, at the age of 17, Frank joined Lancashire Cricket Club and stayed at Old Trafford until the end of 1955. In 1952 and 1953 he was the county's first-choice wicket keeper.

## CAPTAIN

He still keeps his hand in as captain of the Ravers, a team of jazzers including his "conductor," Mick Mulligan.
Taking up trombone in 1950, he joined Liverpool's Merseysippi Jazz Band the following year, and remained with the group until joining Mulligan in March 1956.
How does a band spend so much time on the road without the musicians wanting to punch one anothers' heads in?
"You do want to, of course,"

"You do want to, of course," says Frank. "Your greatest pal can be your worst enemy five minutes later.

# SYSTEM

"But we have a system which works admirably. All our failures and weaknesses are constantly mentioned. A lot of vitriol is got rid of that way and nothing is stored up." Have the tours by American stars had a bad effect on the one-night-stand business?
"They make very little dif-

"They make very little dif-ference," averred Frank.
"Some people have blamed the departure of Sunday jazz con-certs on these tours, but I think that is really due to rock-'n-roll."

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This high time somebody did a farreaching, factprobing, all-revealing
surveyinto LP covers.

Here is one of the most
important—and most neglected—facets of the
record trade.

Manufactures will tell you
—and who are you to say that

Manufacturers will tell you—and who are you to say that they lie in their teeth?—that millions of records are sold each year on the strength of the cover alone.

What about all those X-certificate covers showing young ladies, in the penultimate stage of undress, draped seductively round the bell of a baritone sax?

Might not some of the startling adventures in the Sunday papers have begun with the astonishing discovery that 12 tracks of far-out alto sax and rhythm fall far short



of the erotic delights promised

by the cover photo?

And don't we take these productions too much for granted?

That picture of the modern that the warment in concentra-

That picture of the modern jazz trio, wrapt in concentra-tion, solemnly weaving impro-vised counterpoint on a jutting rock five hundred yards out to sea. . . " Quite amusing!" you say, and carry on idly thumbing through the rack. rack.

Nobody seems to consider the thought and effort that went into producing something attractive to the eye—the patient and exhaustive survey to find a suitable rock, the bumpy, tooth-rattling

journey by Jeep down to the cliff's edge, the hair-raising descent, the boat-ride through choppy waters with the bass player feeling queasy ten seconds after casting-off, the clamber on to the rock, the long wait while the instruments dried out, the tidal wave that swept away the vibes player (it's a quartet on the record), the A&R man who tried to swim out with a comb for the guitarist and never made it. We tend to overlook these things.

The other night, after work,

The other night, after work, I went out to pose for a cover photo to be used on my next LP.

The title is "Blues in the

One of the shady doorways belonged to a popular clipjoint, and no sooner had I taken up an appropriately forlorn pose under the lamp than a swarm of beauties in full battle array converged upon me anxious to be in on the picture.

There were two alternatives

—to re-record the whole LP
with saucy titles from the
Storyville epoch and photograph the ladies, or trudge off
in search of another location.

While we were deciding, up
comes this copper and it all
took a bit of explaining.

No. really, somebody ought No, really, somebody ought to do a survey. . . .



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Now the sisters three offer

Now the sisters three offer strong competition to the American group out on Philips (PB1009). This song is tailormade for the Bevs' plaintive style.

Flip is a soothing version of "The Skye Boat Song."

# THIS WEEK'S RANK

JACK SCOTT What In The World's Come Over You JAR 280

BERT WEEDON Big Beat Boogie

JAR 300

FREDDY CANNON California Here I Come **JAR 309** 

CRAIG DOUGLAS **Pretty Blue Eyes** JAR 268

> **AL MARTINO** Summertime JAR 312

THE FLEETWOODS Outside My / Magic Window Star

> VINCE EAGER **Lonely Blue Boy JAR 307**

GARRY MILLS **Footsteps** 

JAR 336

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\* Yolanda

WITH THIS KISS/Don't Tell Me Not To Love You Me Not To Love You (Triumph RGM1007). Yolanda, star of the new "Cranks" show, makes her Triumph disc bow with this release. It's a com-mendable "first," if not a world-bester.

★ Ernie Fields Ork

CHATTANOOGA CHOO CHOO/ Workin' Out (London HL-9100). Ernie Fields, who had a hit with his new version of "In the Mood," has brought off a double in the States with his rocking styling of that other Glenn Miller favourite Chat-tanooga. Reverse is another big-sounding instrumental.

★ Bobby Bland

LET THE LITTLE GIRL DANCE/Sweet Thing (London HL9096). First title, a plea to all wallflowers to be given a chance to cut loose, features one of those chirpy girl choirs that have contributed to several recent hits. This one, with its dynamic beat and wild vocal, could easily crash into the best-sellers. And the cute backing could make this a "double."

★ Della Reese



COME DAY/
Let's Get
Away From it
All (RCA1185).
Della Reese,
whose gospelinfluenced voice has
scored with the
jazz element,
has climbed into the U.S.
best - sellers
with her sincere ballad
styling of
Someday. She
could score
here, too. could score
here, too.
Flip is uptempo Della,
who delivers
this standard
to a powerful
beat backing.

★ Murray Campbell

THE PAINTERS OF PARIS/ Georgia On My Mind (Philips PB1013). Trumpet star Murray Campbell solos against an infectious L-A beat on the catchy Paris. Reverse is a lyrical trumpet styling, plus chorus, of the Hoagy Carmichael standard.

★ Dallas Boys

POSTON TEA PARTY/Ramona (Columbia DB4445). Boston Tea Party is a catchy marching song but the potential is surely in the "B" side—a rockin' version of the oldie Ramona.

Backings are by John Barry.

The Beverley Sisters pictured with Liberace backstage at the London Palladium.

★ Teddy Van

CINDY/I'm Waiting (London HLU9097). Cindy should be no Cinderella when it comes to Hit Parade ratings. This disc has everything—an uninhibited R&B-styled vocal, a powerful beat, and that vital gimmicky formula that is a must these days. There are even a few bars of that John Barry sound!

★ Lenny Welch

You pon't know ME/I Need Someone (London HLA9094). You bon't is yet another from America's "Top 100" charts. Lenny Welch has a clear, penetrating voice, and he delivers the forlorn lyric of this number in compulsive fashion. Flip also show cases the declamatory Welch style to good effect.

\* Alfred Lynch

RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER FROM THE BLUES/
The Love I Share with You (Decca F11228). Affred Lynch, the star of that highly successful West End play "The Hostage," makes another attempt at Hit Parade status—his second disc venture to date.

He has a well-controlled, incisive voice, but here he is only as good as his material—which hardly seems to be in the current Hit Parade genre.

\* Teen Beats

THE SLOP BEAT/Califf Boogie (Top Rank JAR342). Two raw rock instrumentals with the emphasis on a guitar beat. Jivers may find something of interest.

★ John Barry

BEAT FOR BEATNIKS/Big
Fella (Columbia DB4446).
This is not the John Barry the
Hit Parade knows. Complete with
an all-star orchestra, he produces a "Johnny Staccato" bigband sound.
Both sides are very good and,
given exploitation, could score
on coffee bar locations.

\* Serino

HAD THE CRAZIEST DREAM/I'm Walking ough the Rulps of a Beauti-Through the Bulns of a Beautiful Dream (Pye 7N25055). Here's something out of the blue—a "dream" double that should provide atmospheric material for late-night listening. The monologue introduction to Craziest Dream makes this a slow starter, but when the side gets under but when the side gets under way it reveals that Serino is a singer who could make a big impact. Flip is an effective encore. too. Worth catching.

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HERE'S Believe " Twitty spend "Saturday Night with Conway Twitty" (MGM EP719).

should score well during his British tour next month. **HOMER** and **JETHRO** spend "Saturday Night with Conway Twitty" (MGM EP719).

The EP is taken from his March LP of the same name. Tracks are "Blueberry Hill." She's Mine," "Hey Ruby" and "Restless."

On this showing, Twitty to miss.

# the MM

LONNIE'S manager, Cyril Berlin, arrived first at my flat. Quietly, we spoke about Lonnie, the phenomenon whose every record since "Rock Island Line" five years ago, goes straight into the charts, and whose total sale over that period is the highest in Britain. Then Lonnie arrived.

Wiry, pale and restless, he nodded briefly to me and went into a long dis-cussion with Cyril about his present TV series: "Putting On The Done-

"Excuse the interruption,"
I said, "but what does your
father do?"
He sat down.

#### AMATEUR

"He's a company director and a violinist," he said.
"Amateur?"
He jumped up.
"Well, he won't like being called an amateur—especially by you," he said smiling.
"How is it you are No. 1 again?"

"How is it you are No. 1 again?"

"Mostly money," he answered. "I pay the people to buy the records. But serlously, if I really knew the answer, I'd be a millionaire.

"The only basic thing is I try to be different, even if it is bad. And I try to make it interesting."

"Are you still interested in jazz?"

"Yes, feverishly. I am very much dedicated to the

"Yes, feverishly. I am very much dedicated to the cause. Only now I am in a better position to be dedi-

cated.

"Having consolidated my position with the record company and having convinced them I have a fairly



comprehensive knowledge of jazz, they have asked me to supervise sessions which cover New Orleans, Dixie-land, C&W and associated

films. He got up and took a deep

"You know," he said. "I have been reading your articles for eight years. We used to call the MELODY MAKER the musicians' union paper because you were antiamateur.

"I realise now that you were not against amateurs as such, but because their playing wasn't good.

#### COMMERCIAL

"Yet out of that very rough state there has grown a whole field of employment. And the musicians have become good. They are also playing jazz professionally." "That's fine, BUT some of them have gone commercial?" "All I can do is to disagree. At least to my knowledge, as these days I don't visit the clubs.

#### SINGLES 20 E

# ★ Sanford Clark

Co ON HOME/Pledging My Love (London HL9095).
Another cowboy opera from Sanford Clark. This time, he's an ex-convict from San Quentin facing a knife-totin' tough guy. Story line, plus the guitar beat, could give this a happy ending.

★ Georgie Auld

JAWAIIAN WAR CHANT/
Sleepy Lagoon (Top Rank
JAR281). One-time Benny Goodman tenorist Georgie
Auld offers a jumping.
rock-styled version of
Hawaiian War Chant
that could really swing
into the best-sellers. Flip, in
appropriate sleepy mood, again
features a rock beat—but a very
subdued one this time.

**★ Julie Andrews** 

TOM PILLIBI/Lazy Afternoon (Decca F11230). The clear, lyrical voice of Julie Andrews rings out in refreshing fashion on Tom Pillibi, France's winning entry in this year's Eurovision Contest.

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★ Harry Gold

INN FOR TROUBLE/Charleston (Columbia DB4436). Inn, from the Larkins film of the same title, features an amusing "hie! 'scuse me" interpolated vocal gimmick in the instrumental proceedings.

Backing is an infectious Dixieland styling of the oldie.

**★ David Whitfield** 

A NGELA MIA/A Tear, A Kiss,
A Smile (Decca F11221). It
will soon be holiday time again
—and time for the annual wave
of Italian songs.
David Whitfield's Angela Mia
is issued at the right moment.
And, with help from TV appear,
ances, he could put himself
back into the Top Twenty

★ Johnny Worth

HOLD ME, THRILL ME, KISS ME / Nightmare (Oriole CB1545). Johnny Worth wrote the two big Adam Faith hits. Now, as a solo disc star, he gives an emotional styling to Hold Me. Nightmare, his own composition, is the better effort.

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"STANDING ON THE CORNER"

PYE 7N 15255 (45 rpm)

# SERINO

"I HAD THE CRAZIEST DREAM"

PYE INTERNATIONAL 7N 25055 (45 rpm)

# YANK LAWSON

AND THE YANKEE CLIPPERS

THE PARTY'S OVER"

PYE INTERNATIONAL 7N 25054 (45 rpm)

# pop shop Edited by Laurie

Lonnie's Dad do

He's a company directorand he plays the violin!

"I don't think any of the good bands play in any other manner than the way they want to, which is the way jazz should be played."
"If this manner has become commercial, then it is a good thing, because they have brought the public up to them."

to them.

He stopped talking and held his head,

#### **ASPIRIN**

"I've got a bad headache," he said. A glass of milk and an aspirin were brought.

"I can't swallow tablets," he muttered. "Try holding your head up," said Cyril. Lonnie looked yearningly up at the ceiling and stretched his neck. He sat down again.

his neck. He sat down again.

"When I was with Chris Barber we thought out everything and we presented it. But we always played what we wanted to. And without reservation."

"Good. Now Cyril tells me you don't go out much."

"Not socially. I don't have the time, and when I do, I like to see the wife I married, the kids I produced, the house I built, the furniture I designed and the garden I ruined."

"He's a very good gardener," said Cyril.

"Do you mind," said Lonnie. "It's my gag." "I know Lonnie Johnson is your favourite guitarist. Did you ever meet him?"

"Yes, in 1951. He was the first American over here after the war. The MU tried to stop him playing and forbade musicians to play with him.

"But some blacklegs like Lonnie Donegan and George Webb's Dixielanders did play

with him.

"However, the Union forgave us and I have been a member for seven years. Over this story I got my name and my picture in the MELODY MAKER for the first time.
"Was I thrilled!

# THRILL

"Particularly as at concert the compère intro-duced me as Lonnie Johnson and Lonnie Johnson as me."

"Do you still get the same thrill when you see your picture in the papers?"

"No," he said slowly, "the "the vanity is gone."

He clutched his head suddenly

denly.
"Oh, Lord!" he said.
"The tablet hasn't gone down."



# Backings are just the job!

Pere's an LP that earn's a Pop Panel seal—not so much for the artists themselves but for the sparkling backings from Joe Reisman and his Orchestra.

It is the Playmates' Broadway Show Stoppers' (Columbia 33SX1215) and it includes show hits of the calibre of "Get Me To The Church On Time," "Luck Be A Lady Tonight" and "I Whistle A Happy Tune."

If you like music in a modern way—this is for you.

FRANKIE AVALON

# FRANKIE AVALON

HIT Parade-wise, Frankie Avalon is one of the "hottest of the new properties" in America. Now he bows into Britain with his first LP, "Swingin' on a Rainbow" (HMV CLP1346).

Avalon includes his most recent hit, "Talk, Talk, Talk," plus standout, "Try a Little Tenderness" and "Secret Love."

The Avalon voice seems to come off second best to the backings:

# CONNIE FRANCIS

AST month, on LP, Connie
Francis sang rock-n'-roll
million sellers. This month,
she turns her attention to
"Country and Western Golden
Hits" (MGM C812).
Among those epics qualifying
for inclusion are "Singing the
Blues." "Your Cheatin'
Heart," "Bye, Bye Love" and
"Anytime."

# HANK WILLIAMS

STILL on C & W, MGM have issued something of an historic album this month with "The Lonesome Sound of Hank Williams" (MGM C811). Williams sings "It Just Don't Matter Now," "Cool Water," "Rockin' Chair Money" and "Roly Poly," plus eight other tracks culled from tapes made before his death in 1953.

# says C&W is the "TO me Country and Wes-

said young Joe Brown. "The music of Arthur Smith and Scotty Moore and people like that. There just isn't any other."

Joe Brown was dead serious. He looked like a juvenile Richard Widmark before the cares of the underworld caught up with him. Normally it's a face designed for laughter—but he was far from laughing now. "I don't like modern jazz. Shocking waste of good musicianship. Clever and all that—but me, I'd take it to the taxidermist.

# SHAME

"I'm afraid rock is dying and I think it's a damned shame. When I was playing in a skiffle group some time back we maybe weren't very good players but what we did was genuine honest-to-God music making all the way through.

"The skifflers didn't deserve the panning they got.

"If skiffle did nothing else it gave a lot of kids a genuine interest in an instrument and in music—like me, for instance.

"Rock has taken plenty of abuse, but it had guts and criticism alone couldn't have killed it. I'm sorry but a lot of the so-called rock stars who have made a big name and lots of loot out of it have done it in.

# Of

COUPER KEN

"They can't get on and off the stage quick enough nowadays and the vital spark that makes the rock jump is missing.

"Me I go on stage or TV like I was entertaining at home at a party and I give em the lot for as long as I'm allowed. If they like what I do—great! We all have a ball.

"But if they don't it'll be too bad for me for I can't and I won't change. It'll be back to the winkle and shrimp stall for Joe."

"Still, you don't object to gimmicks to help you make a success," I remarked. "How about those high-heeled cowboy boots, for instance?"

# PROUD

"They're no gimmick. I always wore hobnailed boots because I was most comfortable that way. Then Johnny Cash sent me these high heelers from the States and I'm very proud of them. I find I can do loose, free and easy things in 'em I can't do in shoes.

"Just last week my manager decided they weren't smart enough and sent me on the stage in shoes. I did a fast spin away from the mike—and fell flat on me flippin' face. I was right back in the old boots next show, you can bet."

"A lot of knowledgeable people reckon you as a coming star, Joe," I sald. "If you make a lot of money what will you do with it?"

## PRIMITIVE

"Well, I'd like to open a rock'n'-roll joint of my own. Lots of
them around already, of course,
but I don't think they really try
to give the kids what they want.
I know what they want and I'd
see they got it.

"I guess I'm a pretty
primitive sort of bloke. The
things I dig are dead ordinary like my name—steak
and chips, belly laughs,
hobnalled boots and primitive music."



JOE BROWN-'I always wore hobnailed boots because I was most comfortable that way.



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The Cliff Adams Orchestra

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# lerry Dawson

ON May 16, Michael Holliday kicks off a two-month season of pop star weekly Variety appearances at Birmingham Hippodrome.

They include Bruce Forsyth with Teddy Johnson and Pearl Carr in a pre-view of their Blackpool summer show (May 23), the "Black and White Minstrels" (May 30) and Marty Wilde in Harold Fielding's "Boy Meets You" on June 13. June 13.

TV 'CLUB'

AST night (Wednesday)
Ronnie Hilton appeared
at a British Legion Club in
Leigh, Lancs. Also there
were Morecambe and Wise.
They were there to Ampextape a programme for ABCTV on Easter Saturday,
titled "Clubland Saturday
Night." Could be the forerunner of a series.

NAMES.—Pye Records singer David Macbeth will appear in ATV's Midland programme, "Lunch Box," for the week of April 25. Valerie Masters and Don Peters will be featured for the week of May 10. . . . Society leader Tim Clayton takes his band to Arundel Castle on May 6 for a St. John Ambulance Brigade charity ball. . . Ex-Vic Lewis singer Irma Logan has joined the new Harry Bence Band at the Majestic Ballroom, Motherwell.

**NEW SOUND** 

WHEN the Dankworth Orchestra breaks up, Manchester trombonist Ken Wray plans to take the road with an unusual group comprising valve-trombone, baritone sax, guitar, bass, drums—and no piano.

RESIDENT—Drummer Larry
Witton, recently demobbed
from the RAF, now leads a trio
at former violin-leader Al Feld's
Beach Hotel, Brighton. . . The
new Reg Wale Orchestra replaces that led by John Roberts
at the Grand Spa Hotel, Bristol,
which Reg Williams also leaves
after 10 years as Entertainments
Director. . . Mick Mitchell and
his Orchestra have succeeded
Syd Dean and his Band at the
South Parade Pier, Southsea.

SUMMER—Jack Rankin will again be MD for the summer season show at Wellington Pier, Great Yarmouth. This year's show stars the Mudlarks. ... Eugene and his Serenaders return this Sunday for the summer at the Sun Lounge, Hastings.

# JAZZ WEEK-END ANGHEST

least ten bands, a host of stars and a team of jazz writers will travelling to Manchester at the end of the month for the first event of its kind ever held in the North-West - a MELODY MAKER jazz weekend.

Three days of jazz and jive, of dances and concerts, of meeting the stars and the critics will be brought to the North-West by the fans' and

#### **ALTO SWITCH**

Altoist Frank Gillespie has left the Garry Brown Band, resi-dent at the Tottenham Royal, after five months. He is re-placed by Johnny Hughes.

# **Sponsored** by the

musicians' own paper-the MELODY MAKER.
The date? April 29 and 30

and May 1.

The opening event will be staged at the Free Trade Hall on Friday, April 29. It is the first public All-Night Jazz Session ever to be staged in Manchester.

Heading an all-star bill will be Mick Mulligan and his band and MM poll-topping singing star George Melly, who will also compère the proceedings.

As we closed for press, Eggy Ley and his Band from the Odeon Jazz Cellar, Heidelberg, had signed to appear. There will also be Bob Barclay and his Yorkshire Jazz Band. from Leeds, the Brian Woolley Jazz Band from Leicester and the Saints Jazz Band and Peter Haslam's Collegians from Man-chester. chester

#### Plus breakfast

They will play for dancing and jiving from midnight until 7 a.m. on the morning of Saturday—ending with an egg and bacon breakfast.

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Other attractions include appearances by top trumpet star Kenny Baker who, with Melly will also present a cabaret spot. There will be a large number of prizes to be won in competitions and a parade of the latest in jazz club fashions for teenagers.

On the Saturday, a "Meet the MM" night will be staged by the Lancashire Society of Jazz Music at the city's Bodega Restaurant and on Sunday. May 1, the threeday stint will wind up with a concert at the Free Trade Hall starring Mr. Acker Bilk and his Paramount Bandagain, with a number of surprises.

More to come...

Organising the three-day event

Organising the three-day event for the MM and the Lancashire Society of Jazz Music is impresario Paddy McKiernan. All ticket enquiries should be addressed to MM Jazz Weekend, Hime and Addison, John Dalton Street, Manchester 2.

More details, price of tickets, etc., will be given in next week's issue with more news of additional good things to come.

**ADAM FAITH TO** 

# TOP PALLADIUM

A DAM FAITH this week-end tops the bill in "Sunday Night at the London Palladium"—his first appearance in ATV's top show.

And appearing with him is the John Barry Seven, the group which has backed Adam on his three disc hits.

The bill is completed by American opera star Rise Stevens and Beryl Reid.

The following day (18th) Faith starts a week's Variety at the Finsbury Park Empire with the Barry Seven, the Honeys and Johnny Worth.

Last Saturday, Adam was mobbed by five thousand fans when he made a personal appearance at a Burnt Oak record store. Police reinforcements were called in from the nearby Hendon Police College.

# David Jacobs back on 'Juke Box Jury'

David Jacobs is now recover-ing from his bout of chicken-pox and expects to be back in the chair of "Juke Box Jury" this Saturday.

His place was taken last week by Digby Wolfe, while BBC staff announcer David Geary handled David's "Pick of the Pops."

# SMALL AD(DITION)

Winifred, wife of MM Advertisement Manager John O'Brien, gave birth to an 8 lb. 2 oz. daughter, to be called Susan, on Friday.



# **Ross-Courtley** all-star group

RONNIE ROSS and Bert Courtley are to form their own new jazz group—which means the probable break-up of their current bands, the Jazzmakers and Jazz Committee. In the 1960 MM Readers' Poll the Jazzmakers and Jazz Committee were voted, respectively, the second and third best combos in Britain.

CHERRY TO TOUR The new group, the Ross-courtley Jazztet, will make its debut at a Press Reception on May 12 and is already booked for dates at the Flamingo and Ronnie Scott Clubs that week.

At the Cavern

Its first provincial appearance

RGANIST Cherry Wainer, currently appearing with the Everly Brothers, is tentatively booked to tour with Freddy Cannon and Johnny and the Hurricanes in June.

She leaves the Everly Brothers package two days early to do a week at Shrewsbury Granada with Emile Ford, starting on April 25, and is replaced by vibist Alan Randall.

Cherry stars in an ATV "Sat-

vibist Alan Randall.

Cherry stars in an ATV "Saturday Spectacular" with Cliff Richard on May 21 and is likely to spend the summer on a seaside tour.

Autumn plans include an eight-week visit to Australia and a twelve-week season at the Dunes Hotel, Las Vegas.

Her next disc, with the Knightsbridge Brass, is an LP provisionally titled "Waltzes In Springtime" and due out on May 1.

At the Cavern

Its first provincial appearance will be at the Cavern, Liverpool, on May 19, followed by the new Club 44, Nelson (20th), Club 43, Manchester (21st), and the Yardbird Club, Coventry (22nd).

With Ronnie (bari.) and Bert (tpt.) will be bassist Phil Bates, from the Dankworth Orchestra, and drummer Jackie Dougan, from Jazz Committee.

A pianist has also been signed but his name cannot be announced as he is under contract to another group.

**Touring States** 

Four members of the Jazzmakers — Ross, his co-leader Allan Ganley (drs.). Keith Christie (tmb.) and Art Ellefson (tnr.)—are currently touring America with the Vic Lewis Orchestra. No final decision on the fate of the Jazzmakers will be taken until they arrive home this week-end, although Ellefson is leaving, in any case, to form a new group with saxist-flautist Johnny Scott.

Week commencing April 17.

John BARRY Seven

Week: Empire, Finsbury

Week commencing April 1.

John BARRY Seven

Week: Empire, Finsbury
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Count BASIE

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Newcastle
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Tuesday: Odeon, Leeds

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Thursday: Gaumont, Wolverhampton

Friday: Free Trage Manchester
Saturday: City Hall, Newcastle castle FAITH Teek: Empire,

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# Jack Good picks his winners

JACK GOOD this week announced the guest stars for the opening shows of his new teen-beat series "Wham!!"

Kicking the highly publicised ABC-TV series off on April 23 will be the Four Jays, Johnny Carson and Dickie Pride. Featured on the following programme are Johnny Kidd and the Pirates, Peter Wynne, Vince Taylor and Richard

They join the resident team of Billy Fury, Joe Brown, Little Tony, Jess Conrad, Lyn Cornell, the Vernons Girls and Jack Good's Fat Noise, directed by Syd Dale.

'A winner'

"With just 10 days to go we feel sure that we're on to a winner," ABC-TV Press Officer George Spackman told the MM on Tuesday.

"It's a show mainly for teenagers and it will equal, if not beat, 'Oh, Boy!' 'Boy Meets Girls' and other beat series."

And the BBC's view on the new ABC series?
Says "Juke Box Jury" producer Johnnie
Stewart: "We have a weekly audience of 9½ million and expect to keep it. We are
definitely not worried about this new series." Pictures taken during last week's dummy run.

# Bunny Lewis nets Song star cliff Richard has added another string to his bow. With his personal manager Tito Burns, he has just signed up 19-year-old singing discovery Dave Sampson, who last week recorded his first single for the Columbia label. Titles are "Sweet Dreams," which Dave wrote himself, backed by "It's Lonesome." Says Tito Burns: "Columbia and Las Vegas, While in New York he saw Peggy Lee at Basin Street East. "The club was packed—and on a Monday, too," he said. 'Out of reach' "Peggy's manager says she would like to come to Rest." But she has now "Eggin manager says she would like to come to Rest." But she has now "Eggin manager says she would like to come to Rest." The club was packed—and on a Monday, too," he said. 'Out of reach' "Peggy's manager says she would like to come to Rest." But she has now "Eggin manager says she would like to come to Rest." But she has now "Eggin manager says she would like to come to Rest." The club was packed—and on a Monday, too," he said. 'Out of reach' "Peggy's manager says she would like to come to Rest." But she has now "Eggin me to hear him time ago. Ever since he has been been begging me to hear him I'm glad I did. I think we have a real find." GO MAN GO! Radio's "Go Man Go!" Radio's "Go Man Go!" Ball-room every Monday from July 25 to September 5. Kingston Trio deal

BUNNY LEWIS, dynamic, fast-talking agent for Craig Douglas, the Mudlarks and the Avons, arrived back in London from a flying Stateside trip last week-end with an exclusive British representation contract with the Kingston trio.

"I shall definitely be bringing the Kingstons"

"I wocal groups are doing fabulous business in America, so they obviously can't afford time to make the trip yet awhile."

Hit vocal groups of their artists fixed on a per-

Other artists fixed on a personal-representation basis by Lewis include the Four Lads, the Brothers Four—now riding high with their recording of "Green Fields"—the Cumberland Trio, pianist-singer Barbara Carroll, and Azie Mortimer.

mer.
"Azie is a fabulous new coloured singer," adds Lewis.
"She is going to be a great Bunny Lewis's trip covered

# Camilleri smash hit in the States

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"Peggy's manager says she would like to come to Britain. But she has now moved into the very top bracket. The figure she can command is 'way out of my reach at present."

Lewis added that the Mudlarks would definitely be appearing at Las Vegas. "It's just a question of obtaining the right contract terms. They would want the Mudds with so many options, I would have to work out something that would be mutually agreeable. But you can take it from me that they will go over to Vegas, most likely this autumn.

# TV 'GOLD DISC'

MILE FORD and the Checkmates will be presented with their Golden Disc for the one millionth sale of "What Do You Want To Make Those Eyes At Me For?" during a bill-topping "Sunday Night at the London Palladium" spot next month.

Emile plans to go to America for two weeks' holiday in December.

# Summer rehearsals

He is in Variety at Manchester Hippodrome next week, at Shrewsbury Granada (25th) and Finsbury Park Empire (May 2). He then starts rehearsals for his Blackpool Hippodrome summer show with Adam Faith, which opens in June. He has another five BBC "Pop

He has another five BBC "Pop hop" airings before the series

# **Craig Douglas for Continental tour**

Craig Douglas is expected to visit Scandinavia before starting his summer season at Brighton Essoldo on July 7.

"He will be away about a month, and may go to Italy, where his 'Pretty Blue Eyes' is currently No. 10 in the Hit Parade," said his personal manager Robin Bridden.

Craig's newest disc. coupling "Heart of a Teenage Girl" and 'New Boy," is out today (Thursday) on Top Rank. Due to the absence of Harry Robinson in Australia, backing was supervised by Bob Sharples.

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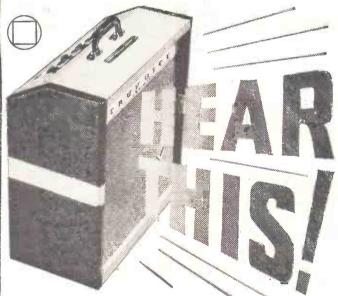
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# **Ballroom** ends its name-band policy

Brighton's Casino Ballroom will end a two-month season of name-band bookings after the visit of Ted Heath on April 22.

"We've tried hard to find the answer, but it seems name bands aren't wanted in Brighton," says Managing Director Frank Glover. "Attendances have been extremely disappointing."





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# Spotlight on the Stars

Dallas will televise from Madrid on May 15
Boys during their two-fortune He will star with conclusion at Great Yarmouth Regal, opening on June 25 for 12 weeks, preceded by a short tour.

Lance broadcasts in Parade Of The Pops" on Monday. Rendell new club, the Blue Bur, which opens on April 22 at the Cooper's Arms, Chadwell Heath.

Will open the fifth London Audio Fair

Julie will open the fifth London Audio Fair

Bryden is forming a resident Quartet for a summer and the season at Blackpool's at Frank-ceded by a short tour.

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this week took over the drum chair watson with Sidney Simone's Orchestra at London's "Talk of the Town." He replaces Haydn Jackson, who will be in the pit for the "New Cranks" revue which starts its pre-London run at the Theatre Royal, Brighton, on Monday.

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Accordion star Camilleri, currently touring Canada and the United States, has had his tour extended to September.

He will be back in Britain in October, but returns for more dates across the Atlantic next January.

Camilleri has also signed a three-year contract with MGM Records.

Beryl guests for two at Frankfurt's Storyville Jazz Club, starting April 30. She is backed by Switzerland's Tremble Kids on the opening night and Holland's Stork Town Dixie Kids for the rest of the fortnight.

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# best record coverage

# Ertegun back after N London last week, for the first time in

a quarter of a century, was Atlantic Records A&R man, Nesuhi Ertegun.

To me, Ertegun's was a very familiar name, though not a familiar face. I began reading about him in an American magazine called "The Record Changer."

# Ellington

That was in 1943, when he helped to promote jazz concerts for the Washington Bookshop. About the same time he began to write for the "Changer"—the first of his articles I remember was about jazz in Paris.

remember was about jazz in Paris.
Ertegun's father was a Turkish diplomat, and Nesuhi spent most of his early years in England and Paris. He was here when Duke Ellington came over in 1933; he was in Paris when Duke played there in April 1939.
Shortly after that he travelled to the United States—where his father was then stationed—for a summer holiday. War started in Europe, and Ertegun stayed in the USA.

# Kid Ory

His time seems to have been hared between Washington His time seems to have been shared between Washington and the West Coast. Before long, the "Changer's" editorial (written in Washington) lamented that Ertegun had "removed himself to the more beneficial climate of Southern California and Marili Stuart's Jazz Man Record Shop."

He promoted concerts to the shop of the state of the shop of the

He promoted concerts, too-he had a hand in recording Kid Ory's Creole Jazz Band for Crescent.

He told me, when I met him

# near . . .

John Hammond has a third LP ready from his pre-war "Spirituals to Swing" concerts. It will include another Bechet-Ladnier track, and more by Basie with Helen Humes.

Theionious Monk, still waiting for the New York authorities to restore his cabaret card, plans to return soon to San Francisco for another engagement there.

another engagement there.

Morris Levy, owner of the Roundtable, has picked up Clyde McCoy's option for the next two years and will have McCoy's Dixleland group back in the club for the month of July, again in the Fall and again in 1961.

John Popkin's Hickory House features a Jazz pianist with classical training, Jack Kelly, who says he has worked with Bob Crosby, Glenn Miller and Ray Noble. Kelly is to record for MGM a complete album of Ellington.

ton.

The Buddy Rich and Art Blakey quintets now hold forth at Birdland. They will be replaced on April 28 by Dinah Washington, the John Handy quintet and the very controversial Ornette Coleman quartet.

King Curtis's All-Stars have a long-term contract at the Brooklyn club called the Baby Grand.

Harold Arlen's "Free and Easy," which flopped in Europe, is to be tried out in the States by producer Stanley Chase. Sammy Davis Jr. may

Action to the second se

with Paul Rich in the London offices of Progressive Music, that he had gone from France to the States with his head full of names like Sidney Bechet and Sidney de Paris.

He thought they would be big names in their home country, but quickly learned that he was wrong. Pretty soon, he had organised a concert starring Bechet, de Paris and Vic Dickenson. "It was a wonderful sound," he remembers.

One thing led to another, and for several years now Ertegun has been a prominent A&R man at Atlantic Records.

He is responsible for the albums — everything from Bobby Darin to Wilbur de Paris.

So he is reunited with Sid-

So he is reunited with Sidney de P. And he has used Dickenson on jazz dates like "Laverne Baker Sings Bessie Smith."

Among the artists we talked about were Joe Turner and Ray Charles. "Most of Joe's LPs have been made up of singles," said Ertegun.

# Ray Charles

"But we have a fine new one coming out which was recorded as an LP, like 'Boss of the Blues.' This new one has Hawkins and Dickenson supporting Joe.

"We're doing another with Ruth Brown, and we have 'The Genius of Ray Charles' out—it should be released here in May.

May.

"This was done with Ray's group, plus a full band composed mostly of Basie's men, with two or three from Duke and Charlie Persip, plus Ray's ragular drummer.

and Charlie Persip, plus Ray's regular drummer.

"Arrangements were by Ernle Wilkins, Ralph Burns, Quincy Jones, Al Cohn and Johnny Acea, and it was one of the two or three most exciting sessions I've seen in my life.

"Such an atmosphere in the place, with Ray loving the big band and all the guys admiring his work so much! We finished early that day, but nobody would leave. Most extraordinary."

# Blind Willie

We spoke about the country blues men, and Ertegun said he had some stuff—by Barrelhouse Sammie he thought — which was probably made by Blind Willie McTell in 1949.
Finally we spoke about British recording. Ertegun was guarded. He'd heard a lot of our jazz recordings in the

business point struck him forcibly.
"Why is it" he asked, "that they're afraid to put the bass in over here?"

# **Bob Thomas**

FROM Peter Vacher, of Mill death of New Orleans trombonist Bob Thomas—known to collectors from George Lewis and Paul Barbarin records.

"Apparently he died in New Orleans, of tuberculosis, on February 26," writes Vacher.

"But I have only just heard of it in a letter from John Norris, of Toronto."

I hope to comment on Bob Thomas in next week's column.



Veteran New Orleans trombonist Bob Thomas, whose death is reported this week.

# Jimmy Rushing says Th

# New York

JIMMY RUSHING writes from New York:

from New York:

"I do want to thank all your readers who voted for me in the MELODY MAKER POIL, and the writers over there who placed me first again in the Critics' Poll. I do feel very proud over the whole thing.

"Things are picking up here now, even the weather. I have three or four concerts to do, and am just finishing a six-week job at the King Arthur Room, upstairs in the Roundtable.

"Did you know Mary Lou Williams opened last week at the Embers with her combo? And Teddy Wilson followed Tyree Glenn and George Brunis into the Roundtable.

into the Roundtable.
"I have been reading the
MELODY MAKER and it looks like London is jumping. Basie must be there by now, so I know you all will have a ball. Say hello to Basie and all the guys, and have a taste for me."

# Connecticut

STANLEY DANCE writes from Connecticut:

"Drummer J. C. Heard was playing near here recently with Joe Knight, piano, Francesco Skeets, bass, and Seldon Powell on tenor.
"I had never heard Powell in

such circumstances before. He

such circumstances before. He is a very fine tenor player, with good sound and execution and an easy flow of ideas.

"The band played worthwhile numbers, and each time Powell opened with a chorus on the melody, then played two or three improvised choruses. It all came out tasteful and swinging, with something of Quinichette's lightness.

"I went to a second Modern Concert at Town Hall the other Saturday. Look out for new stars in Tommy Turrentine, trumpet, and Stanley Turrentine, tenor, at present with Max Roach."

# Holland

ANTON KOP, Jnr., writes from Holland:

"In the midst of jazz plenty in Holland—Count Basie, Miles Davis, Stan Getz and Oscar Peterson all here within two weeks—the Brubeck Quarted drew thousands into the Scheveningen Kurhaus and Amsterdam Ooncertgebouw last week. "Dave drew his repertoire mostly from his recent LPs, but every number differed so largely from the recorded version that he could not have stimulated his listeners more if he had given them entirely new numbers.

new numbers.
"Dave and Paul Desmond seem to have endless creative power, while Gene Wright and

Joe Morello are surely the best rhythm men Dave ever had. Even so, the extensive drum feature became boring after a

while.

"Coleman Hawkins — with
Oscar Pettiford and Kenny
Clarke—was in the programme,
too. The Hawk, now 55, is as
great as ever, and his interpretation of "Yesterdays," was
marvellous by any standard."

#### Bombay

BANDLEADER Ken Mac writes from Bombay:

"Your readers may be interested to know that Red Nichols and his Five Pennies have been making a good-will tour of the Far East, under the cultural exchange programme.
"While in Bombey Red and

"While in Bombay, Red and his band performed at the Regal Theatre for the première of the film, 'The Five Pennies.' They were absolutely first-class, and much appreciated. Two nights later, Red and the Pennies played along with my band at a local Charity Dance."

Ken Mac, who hopes to be in

Ken Mac, who hopes to be in London again next year, encloses a photograph of himself, Nichols and British reedman Joe Crossman. Crossman, leading a dance band on the "Caronia" these days, arrived in Bombay at about the same time as Red.



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Maybe I'm in a minority there, but it seemed to me that Josh did not really win his listeners until item four, a hard-swinging "Betty and more than an hour.

As we have come to expect, Josh stuck to the familiar repertoire, choosing for the Islington Town Hall such White perennials as "Outskirts of Town," "Sometime," "Waltzing Matilda" and "Hard Time Blues."

But it hardly matters what Josh sings—he juggles the songs around so expertly, and makes such dramatic use of the guitar, that the time passes quickly and we are sorry to see him go.

For myself I have never relished Josh's "Waltzing Matilda," though the audience liked it well enough. And on Saturday I questioned the wisdom of "Miss Otis Regrets" as an opener.

a Cherry," "Scarlet Ribbons,"
"Where Were You, Baby,"
and a gripping "Strange
Fruit."

This last, his final song except for a demanded encore,
so paralysed listeners that for
a few seconds after it ended
they seemed unable to
applaud.

Before Josh appeared we

that Josh did not really win his listeners until item four, a hard-swinging "Betty and Dupree."

After that he never lost hold, despite a broken string in "Where Were You, Baby?" and an interruption from the alarum on his wrist watch during "Freedom's Road."

In order to replace the string, he called on Jack Fallon—who accompanied him faithfully and sensitively throughout—to keep things moving while he sang "Summertime" and did running repairs. The manoeuvre was a complete success.

Josh was at his best on "Nobody Knows You When You're Down and Out," "Sum-"

Hey seemed unable to applaud.

Before Josh appeared, we were entertained—by Robin Hall and Jimmie MacGregor (who sang "The Carlton Weaver," "The Ould Triangle," "Fare—a weel Ye Banks O' Sicily" and "Wi' My Rovin' Eye") and "Wi' My Rovin' Eye") and "with found its fullest expression in a "Scottish" interpretation of "I Belong to Glasgow."

This production of the Ballads and Blues Association is a well-balanced show, full of amusing song.—M. J.

# personalities in focus

# Dankworth: Newport programme

JOHNNY DANKWORTH
ORGH. (LP). "London to Newport." Firth of Forths; Caribe;
Royal Ascot; Don't Get Around
Much Any More; Doggin' Around;
Jones; Take the 'A' Train. (Top
Rank 12 in, 30/019—30s.)
Dankworth (alto, clt.), Dickie
Hawdon (tpt., tnr. horn), Danny
Moss (tnr., clt., bass cit.). Alex
Leslie (barl., clt., flute), Laurie
Monk (tmb.), Derrick Abbott, Stan
Palmer, Bob Carson, Kenny
Wheeler (tpts.), Tony Russell,
Danny Elwood, Garry Brown
(tmbs.), Ronnie Snyder (tuba),
Dave Lee (pno.), Eric Dawson
(bass), Kenny Clare (drs.), Newport Jazz Festival, July 1959.

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A CTING as Britain's first re-presentatives at America's Newport Festival must have

Newport Festival must have been a terrifying experience for the Dankworth band.

On his return, Johnny wrote in the MM that "the boys were tired when they took the stand at Newport. And they were nervous, too.

"They pulled out the stops for the occasion and played well—but they didn't come right up to form in solos."

This recording of the proceedings proves Johnny was right as far as two of the chief soloists were concerned.

Laurie Monk was way below form, fluffing uncomfortably in almost every solo.

The same applies, to a lesser degree, to Dickie Hawdon, who did, however, atone somewhat on "A' Train."

It was not true of Dankworth himself and tenorist Danny

"A Train."
It was not true of Dankworth himself and tenorist Danny Moss, who both played consistently well.
Tony Russell and Dave Lee also contributed some good things.

# Arrangements

Arrangements

Fortunately, the band doesn't rely on its solos for its main appeal. My reaction to this album is: "Doesn't that band go!"

It is at its hard-swinging, losely-relaxed best on the two head arrangements of Dankworth compositions, "Firth" and "Ascot." The way the ensembles build up in excitement is almost unbearably good.

These two tracks, with Dave Lindup's attractive "Caribe," are the very high highspots.

"Doggin" also has its attractions, but the ensembles are iess cohesive, while "Don't Get" is a pleasant arrangement, featuring neat exchanges between alto and tenor.

Less successful are "Jones" and "A'Train."

Both tunes will always be associated with Ellington, who was due to appear at the Festival, and this may have had a subduing effect on the British musicians.

The recording throughout is far better than we have a right to expect from an open-air concert of this sort.

To sum up, I quote from "Down Beat":

"Dankworth's band got in there and swung and proved it is fit for consideration soon after such evidently unapproachable eminences as Basie and Elling-ton.

"To other American bands, Dankworth takes no back seat, and his band is far and away the best of big overseas crews."

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# Here are the Jazz Couriers at their peak

# By BOB DAWBARN

JAZZ COURIERS (LP). "The Couriers of Jazz." Mirage; After Tea; Stop the World, I Want to Get Off; In Salah; Star Eyes; The Monk; My Funny Valentine; Day in—Day out. (London 12 in. LTZ-L 15188—35s. 9jd.)
Ronnie Scott (thr.). Tubby Hayes (thr., flute), Terry Shannon (pno., celeste). Jeff Clune (bass), Bill Eyden (drs.).

I SUPPOSE there will always be those blinkered people who claim that jazz is indigenous to America, and that "foreign" musicians can never be more than a carbon copy.

It is a view that cannot be shared by anyone who heard the Jazz Couriers—still the most consistent jazz combo we have had in Britain.

This posthumous LP proves

had in Britain.

This posthumous LP proves that the quintet died at the height of its powers.

The individual members always had a fine group feeling, and on this album Scott and Hayes dovetail so perfectly they could almost be controlled by the same brain.

There isn't a bad track, or even solo, on the record.

My own favourite is Hayes's "The Monk"—an in-character tribute to Thelonious which includes Shannon's effective use of the celeste.

If you really appreciate modern jazz, get this!

# **Precision** \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

O LOUIS BELLSON (LP). "The Brilliant Belson Sound." Drum Foolery; It's Music Time; Blast Off: Don't Be That Way; The Hawk Talks; Summer Night; Sakin Doll; It Don't Mean A Thing; Speak Low; You Are My Lucky Star; So Long Blues. (HMV 12 in. CLP1343—348. 1d.)

CLP1343—34s. 1d.)

Bellson (drs.), John Audino, Guido Basso, Ralph Clarke, Fred Thompson (tpts.), Earl Swope, Nick Di-Maio, Juan Tizol (tmbs.), Herb Geller, Nick Nichols, George Perry, Aaron Sachs, Oliver Nelson (reeds). Joe DeAngelis (Fr. horn), Eddie Diamon (pno.), Lawrence Lucie, Tony Rizzi (gtrs.), Truck Parham (bass), Jack Arnold (boo-bams. vibes). Hollywood. 13/8/59.

A CCORDING to Alun Morgan's informative sleeve note this is the regular unit which accompanies Bellson's wife, Pearl Bailey.

Bailey.

As such, it is not primarily a jazz orchestra. Bellson, as always, provides a swinging foundation for the band which plays with admirable precision.

The general effect, however, is

of a first class dance band which lacks the looseness and relaxation of all the top all-jazz big bands.

bands.

Nothing much happens in any of the arrangements despite charts by such as Marty Paich, Ernie Wilkins and Bellson himself. The best is a pleasing version of Ellington's "Satin Doll" by Bob Florence.

In addition to Bellson, the band has competent soloists in Herb Geller, Aaron Sachs and Guido Basso.

# Feeling •••••

JUNIOR MANCE (LP).
"Junior." A Smooth One; Miss
Jackie's Delight; Whisper Not; Love



Ronnie Scott

For Sale; Lilacs In The Rain; Small Fry; Birk's Works; Blues For Beverlee; Junior's Tune. (HWV 12 in. CLP1342—34s. 1d.) Manee (pno.). Ray Brown (bass). Lex Humphries (drs.). New York.

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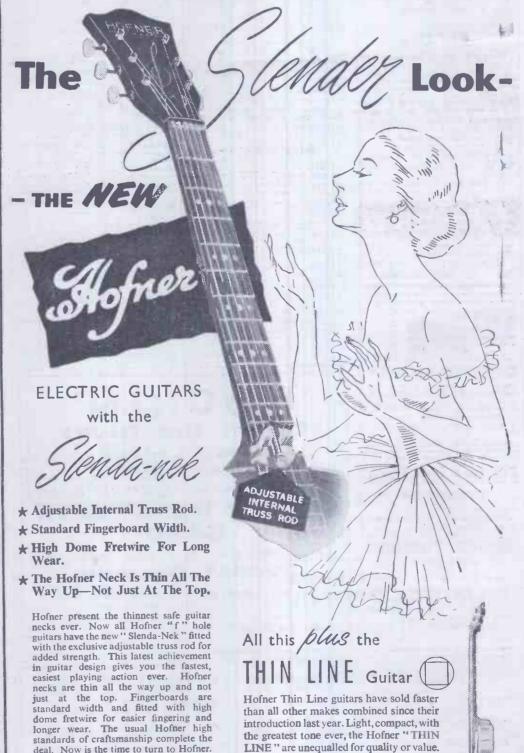
minded enthusiasts as well as the modernists. He is a two-handed player with remarkable attack and zest although by no means without

although by no means without subtlety.

For this LP he has selected good material—including three of his own tunes, "Jubilation," "Beverlee" and "Junior's Tune"—and he gets just the right support from Ray Brown and Lex Humphries.

All-in-all a most satisfying plano album.

For 'Round the Jazz Clubs' and 'Jazz on the Air' see overleaf



# absule Reviews

BUDDY RICH-MAX ROACH (LP). Sing, Sing, Sing (with a Swing); The Cashah; Sleep; Figure Eights; Yesterdays; Big Foot; Limehouse Blues; Toot Toot Tootsie Goodbye. (Mercury 12 in. MMC 14031—34s. 1d.)

THE combined forces of Rich, Roach and their two Quintets are featured on every track. Result—a veritable feast for drum fans and 40-odd minutes of depression for those, like me, who get the same sinking sensation from a drum solo as they used to from an air raid siren. Phil Woods, the Turrentine Brothers, Julian Priester and Willie Dennis are among the soloists between outbursts of drumming.

CHRIS CONNOR (LP).
"Witchcraft." Witchcraft; I'll
Never Be Free; The Lady Sings
the Blues; Come Rain or Come
Shine; When Sunny Gets Blue;
How Little We Know; I Hear the
Music Now; Baltimore Oriole; Just

in Time; Skyscraper Blues; You Don't Know What Love Is. (London 12 in, LTZ-K 15185-35s. 81d.)

THOUGH Chris Connor's voice is rather expressionless, these are highly competent versions of 11 good songs.
She is not in the very top
class of jazz singers, but makes
nice, relaxing listening.

MONICA ZETTERLUND —
CARLI TORNEHAVE (EP). "Porgy
and Bess." Bess You is my Woman
Now; Summertime; I Loves You
Porgy; I Got Plenty of Nuttin'.
(Columbia SEG 7999—10s. 7 d.)

Two Scandinavians make a good job of four of the best songs from "Porgy and Bess"—though I, for one, will be glad when these Gershwin pieces are given a rest.

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JOSH WHITE will be the star guest tomorrow (Good Friday) at the Cavern Club, Liverpool, He will be supported by the Collegians Jazz Band. The Wall City Jazzmen and the Mike Daniels Band are the club's Easter Saturday and Sunday attractions.

THE Easter programme for London's Ronnie Scott Club includes all-night sessions tonight (Thursday), tomorrow, saturday and Monday. Among the groups booked over the holiday are the Dave Morse Quintet, the Peter King Quintet the Ronnie Scott Quintet and the Tubby Hayes Quartet.

THE Climax Jazz Band, from Man-chester, will appear at the Easter Party organised by Macclesfield Jazz Club at the Angel Hotel, tonight (Thursday).

BRIGHTON'S Vanguard Jazzmen are to take over a resident Friday spot at Durrington Jazz Club. The Jazzmen play the Winter Gardens Niterie every Sunday.

JIMMY DEUCHAR will play a guest spot at Chichester Jazz Club on April 19, two days after he returns from his tour of America with the Vic Lewis Orchestra.

NEW late-night jazz cellar, the Downbeat, opens in Victoria Street, Liverpool, on April 25. Planned as an after-hours rendezvous for musicians, it will have the Alan Alderson Quartet as resident group.

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CRAWLEY JAZZ GLUB features the
Sonny Morris Jazzmen at the
Railway Hotel on Wednesday (20th),
followed by the Mick Mulligan Band,
with George Melly, on April 27.





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# **BBC** to feature

BIRMINGHAM'S Central Jazz Club has started a Friday Folk and Blues Club with Woodie and Mo, Johnny Gauden and the Ian Campbell Group as regular attractions.

Planist\*ALTOIST Graham Bond has joined the Goudie Charles Quintet, resident on Monday at Ricky's, Kensington High Street, and Thursdays at the Prince of Wales, Dalling Road, Hammersmith. Graham takes over from baritone saxist Pete Buss. The Quintet plays the opening session of the new Club Pierre, Dell Road, Grays, Essex, on Saturday.

DIZZY BURTON'S Jazz Aces, mesident at La Vieux Carre, Manchester, have a new EP released by Esquire.



THE Dauphine Street Jazz Band, from West Bromwich, makes its first Birmingham appearance on April 20 when it starts a series of Wednesday sessions at the King Edward.

GUEST attractions at the Orford Cellar Club, Norwich, include Ronnie Scott, on April 12, and Dill Jones, on April 29.

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THE Al Fairweather-Sandy Brown
All-Stars and the Merseysippi
Jazz Band share the Easter Sunday
bill at the Mardi Gras, Liverpool.
Chris Hamilton plays the club tomorrow (Friday) and is joined by
the Johnny Goode Group for
Saturday's session.

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THE Law Men, from Wallasey,
are booked for the opening
ession of Birkenhead Jazz Club
at Birkenhead YWCA on April 22.

THE Sutton Chicago Jazz Group has signed for a further three months of Friday dates at Birmingham's jazz Studio One. The band is booked into the Down Town Jazz Club, Bromsgrove, on April 19.

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TENORIST Betty Smith is the guest star at the Crescendo Club, Chatham, tomorrow (Friday).

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WALLY FAWKES and his Trog-lodytes are the attraction at Brighton's Chinese Jazz Club on Easter Saturday. The Peter King Quintet is booked for April 23.

A NEW Quartet, led by Johnny Dankworth tenorist Danny Moss, play for the opening of Eric Scriven's new Club 44 in Nelson, Lancs, tomorrow (Fridge)

THE recently opened South Side
Jazz Club, which meets on
Tuesdays at the Saracen's Head,
Shirley, Birmingham, has signed the
Milenburg Jazz Band for April 19,
followed by the Rock Island Jazz
Band (26th), Sutton Chicago Jazz
Group (May 3) and Central City
Jazz Band (10th),

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MANCHESTER'S South Side Stompers have a date at the Potteries Jazz Club, Hanley, on April 20,

JAZZ INC., Bristol's only modern jazz group, airs in the West of England Home Service's "West Coast Special" on April 20.

THE Revivalists Jazz Group have the backing of the LCC in opening a non-profitmaking jazz club at the Rugby Club, Walmer Road, Kensington. May T is the opening night of the club, which hopes to attract young people in the area.

HASTINGS Traditional Jazz Club is holding a special session at the Pier Restaurant on Wednesday in aid of the World Refugee Year appeal. Featured will be the Dolphin Jazzband, the Swing 59 Group and the Original Downtown Syncopators.

PAYSWATER Jazz Club has changed its name to the Blue Note. Resident on Fridays is the London Jazz Sextet led by drummer Kris Elkington, who used to run the Cambridge Jazz Quartet. With Kris are Dick Hextall-Smith and Ossie Scott (turs.), Harry Beckett and Lionel Grigson (tpts.), Martin Joseph (pno.) and Jim Goudie (bass),

DICK CHARLESWORTH'S CITY GENTS play the Bodega Restaurant, Manchester, on Saturday; followed by Bob Wallis and the Storyville Jazzband on April 23.



Bruce Turner

Guest bands booked for the next three Friday sessions at the Chinese Jazz Club, Brighton, are Dick Charlesworth (tomorrow), Bruce Turner and Humphrey Lyttelton.

KEN COLYER'S Jazzmen and the Jazz Disciples share a session at the Palm Court Jazz Club, Purley, on May 18. Terry Lightfoot visits the club on April 20 and Mickey Ashman on April 27.

April 27.

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VOCALIST Audrey Starr has Joined the Syd Halliday Quartet which is resident at the White Hart Inn, Tottenham. Syd (drs., vibes), leads Peter Dyke (gtr.), Ron Gascoine (pno.), Martin Rose (bass) and Peter Brazier (vcls.).



Jimmy Deuchar

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SATURDAY, APRIL 16:
12.20-12.44 p.m. A 1: Sim Copans.
1.15-1.40 C 2: Down Town Jazz
Band. 2.15-2.50 DL: Acker Blik.
4.15-5.0 G: Jazz at its Best. 5.05.30 C 2: Jazz Session. 5.5-5.30 Z:
Swing Serenade. 5.30-6.0 J: This
is Jazz. 6.30-7.0 DL: Charles Melville. 8.15-9.0 T: Elgart, May.
Garner, B.G.-T. 9.0-9.30 W: Jazz
Time. 9.0-10.0 A 1 2: Vive le Jazz.
9.5-10.0 J: Artie Shaw. 9.15-10.0 T:
Kenton Road Show (1). 10.0-10.30
DL: Jazz Notebook. 10.5-10.30 J:
Bandstand USA. 10.10-10.55 F 1:
Jazz Microgrooves. 10.50-11.15 A:
1 2: Jazz in the Night. 11.5-1.0
a.m. J: Dancing on Two Continents. 12.30-1.15 T: Nightly
repeat of 9.15 VOA Programme.

SUNDAY, APRIL 17:

repeat of 9.15 VOA Programme.

SUNDAY, APRIL 17:
S.15-9.0 p.m. T: Jonah J., Louisiana Rhythm Kings (1929).
Nichols, James-Sinatra. 9.15-10.0
T: Kenton Road Show (2). 10.0-10.30 A 1 2: Louis. Spirits of Memphis. etc. 10.10-12.0 S: For Jazz Pans. 10.50-11.15 A 1 2: Jazz Actualities. 11.0-11.55 F 1: Jazz a Bâtons rompus. 11.5-11.30 J: International Bandstand.

International Bandstand,

MONDAY, APRIL 18:
11.15-11.29 a.m. B: Jazz Requests.
8.15-9.0 p.m. T: Sinatra, Shuffle rhythm, Tormé 9.15-10.0 T: New:
Mercer Ellington Ork., Giuffre, Kenton Strings, Lambert-Hendricks-Ross, 10.10-11.0 S: For Jazz Fans (news break 10.30) (nightly), 10.50-11.15 A 12: Jazz in the Night, 11.0-11.55 F 1: Jazz in the Night, 11.0-11.55 F 1: Jazz in Blue, 11.0-11.30 V: Jazz Corner, 11.5-1.0 a.m. J: D-J Shows (nightly).

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(nightly).

TUESDAY, APRIL 19:
8.15-9.0 p.m. T: Ella Sings Gershwin, Clooney-Hi-Lo's, James, 9.1510.0 T: Playboy Jazz Festival:
Rollins, Kenton-Christy, 9.30-10.0
U: Ferguson Ork., Giufire Group.
10.0-10.45 R: Jazz Contest. 10.3011.15 !: Ferguson Big Band, Miles
D. 6. 10.30-10.55 J: This Music
Called Jazz, 10.30-10.50 F 3: Jam
Session. 10.50-11.10 A 1 2: Jazz
Latitude 49.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20:
4.6-4.23 p.m. B: Panassié on Ory.
5.0-5.30 Y: All Stars with Barney
Willen. 6.30-6.55 F 1: Carlos de
Radzitzky. 6.30-7.0 DE: Jazz Session. 8.15-9.0 T: T.D., Riddle,
Elman, Sarah V. 9.15-10.0 T: Jazz
Festival: Kenton. 9.30-10.0 F 2:

9.30-10.30 F ie. 10.10-10.30 For Jazz Fans. S Jazz for Everyone. Jazz Jor Everyone, 10,10-10,30 E: Edelhagen, 10,20-11,0 Q: Jazz Irom "Porgy and Bess." 10,30-11,0 F 4: 20 Years of Basie, 11,0-11,15 Z: Swiss Jazz, 11,5 app.-12,0 W-1293m: Charles Delaunay, 11,15-12,0 Q: Jazz Journal, 12,10-1,0 a.m. 1: Joe Newman 4, Staton, Bill Evans, Legrand,

THURSDAY, APRIL 21:
5,30-5.50 p.m. C 2: AVRO Jazz
Society. 8.15-9.0 T: Edelhagen,
Valente. 9.15-10.0 T: Jazz Festivat;
Giuffre, Austin High Gang. 9.3010.0 F 3: Jazz for All. 10.30-11.0
F 4: Antwerp Jazz Club. 10.4011.30 DL: Jazz Club. 10.50-11.15 A
1 2: Amateur Jazz Contest. 11.012.0 P: B.G.

12.0 P: B.G.

FRIDAY, APRIL 22:
5.20-5.55 p.m. L: Jazz. 7.10-7.30
6 2: Max Roach 5. 8.15-9.0 T:
Krupa, James, T.D. 9.15-9.45 D232m: Jazz mit Joe. 9.15-0.0 T:
Alan Clare, Mangelsdorff, Duke,
Louis. Basie 39. Silver. 9.30-10.0
B-258m: The Real Jazz. 10.30-10.55
J: Jazz Is My Beat. 10.30-10.55
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J: George Arvanitas Trio. 10.3911.0 w-1293m: Charles Delaunay.
10.35-11.15 Z: Jazz Session. 10.5011.15 A 1 2: Jazz, Latitude 49.
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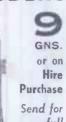
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MARION RYAN IN

OWN TV SHOW

# VIP welcome for Perry Como

BBC-TV and Decca Records are jointly laying out the red carpet for Perry Como, who is due to arrive at London Airport from New York this Saturday.

Perry, who is spending a week in Britain to record a special NEXT WEEK

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# STAR HITS THE SKIDS

# U.S TEENAGERS IN TV 'JURY'

POUR American teenagers will form the panel for the BBC-TV's "Juke Box Jury" on May 7.

They are Doug Levy, Ed Robertson. Nancy Pederson and Karen Post—all members of an American high school at Bushey Park, Middlesex.

MARION RYAN, star of Granada-TV's record-running "Spot the Tune" series, goes into her own Granada show from June 24.

Untitled at the time of going to press, the new programmes will initially run for 13 weeks, and replace the "Spot the Tune" feature.

Co-starring with Marion is U.S comedian Orson-Bean.

Musical director for the new series will be Tony Osborne, and the Granadiers are also booked for a resident spot.

Marion Ryan's first disc under her new contract with Columbia is released at the end of April. "If the show is a success I plan to follow it with a panel composed of British teenagers," says producer Johnnie Stewart. Johnny "Running Bear" Preston stars on the show on April 30. With him on the panel will be American songwriter Buddy Kaye, Humphrey Lyttelton and Gary Miller.

# Ronnie Stone from music to farming

From the Troc. to tractors is the big step being taken by bassist Ronnie Stone on May 1, when he leaves the profession after 20 years to take up farming.

Currently with Dave Shand at the Trocadero Restaurant, W., Ronnie has previously played with such name bands as Syd Seymour, Billy Thorburn, Freddy Randall and Harry Gold.

He leaves the West End for a farm in Petworth, Sussex, but intends playing as a semi-pro. whenever opportunity occurs.

# TAKING IT EASY

George Davies, Accounts and Staff Manager of Boosey and Hawkes (Retail). Ltd., retired last week after 37 years. He was presented with a silver tea set, gold watch and a tran-sistor set.

London's Pigalle, has deluged with reservations from patrons wishing to see the fabulous Sammy Davis, Jnr., during his four-week season at the restaurant from May 17.

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# SAMMY | Happy Birthday



Frances Day was one of the 500 capacity crowd which celebrated the third birthday of London's Flamingo Club on Sunday. Pictured with her are (1-r) saxists Peter King, Bob Efford and Jimmy Skidmore, who were among the top stars featured during the evening.

# top American

singers have been set for summer dates at London's Jazzshows Jazz Club.

The first of the six is Speckled Red, who will be in Britain for the month of June. He will be followed by Memphis Slim in July, Little Brother Montgomery in August, Champion Jack Dupree in September, and

# **Denny Boyce Band** for holiday tour

The Denny Boyce Orchestra will play two-week seasons as noilday relief band at six Mecca halls this summer.

Denny starts the tour at the Royal, Tottenham, on June 6. He then plays the Locarno, Streatham (20th), Oxford Galleries. Newcastle (July 18), Lyceum, Strand (August 1), and Palais, Nottingham (August 29).

# Mulligan goes North

The Norman Percival Group makes its fifth appearance on ABC-TV's "The Sunday Break" this week-end.
Norman (pno.) leads Peter Collins (bass), Jack Emblow (acc.), Ray Davles (tpt.) and Alan Percival (drs.). The Mick Mulligan Band, with George Melly, starts a tour of the North and Scotland with a date at West Hartlepool tonight (Thursday). The tour, which includes three days in Aberdeen on April 19, 20 and 21, ends at Leeds Town Hall on April 24. Terry and Brownie

Sonny Terry and Brownie McGhee in October.

Of the six, Champion Jack Distriction Jack Britain November and Terry and McGhee will be making their third visit in two years.

Speckled Red, whose real name is Rufus Perryman, comes from Hampton, Georgia, and is 67.

Memphis Silm—real name Peter Chatman—is 51 and was born in Arkansas, but has been associated with Chicago since

# BASIE PICKS WINNER

DUKE ELLINGTON doesn't know it, but he won \$50 for Count Basie on Monday.
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# 'Fiesta' time

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# Lynne leaves

Another 'Break'

Singer Lynne Adams has left the Bobby Johnson Band, which is resident at the Savoy Bali-room, Cafford. Lynne Intends to freelance after six months at the Ball-room. No replacement has been fixed by Bobby Johnson to date.

# PAYOLA Page 4 cated no emphasis at all in favour of the company with which he had a link. There were no such programmes on the ITA network at the moment, although at least one might return in the near future. Referring to the complaint of

tremely keen competition among the record companies. If they were to detect any greatly pronounced bias in favour of one company or another there would be a public hullabaloo.

"I am sure that the bush telegraph hums in the world of popular song writing," continued Mr. Bevins. "If there were to be improprieties or acts of corruption by disc jockeys it would soon become very widely known in the world of entertainment and widely publicised."

The BBC practice, he said, was to limit the number of permitted performances of any particular song within given periods and to make sure that the products of the record companies were fairly distributed in the programmes.

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\*\*Most unusual\*\*

Mr. Bevins said it was most unusual for the disc jockey himself to select the records that were played. It was usual for the disc jockey and the producer of the programme.

With regard to David Jacobs and "Juke Box Jury," the records were chosen by the producer and director of the programme companies whereby anybody who was even indirectly connected with a record companies from entering the gramophone record inclinity connected with a record companies from entering the gramophone record inclinity connected with a record companies from entering the gramophone record inclinity connected with a record companies from entering the gramophone record inclinity connected with a record companies from entering the gramophone record inclinity connected with a record companies from entering the gramophone record inclinity connected with a record companies from entering the gramophone record inclinity connected with a record companies and a record companies with the programme companies whereby anybody who was even indirectly connected with a record companies of a producer and directly connected with a record companies from entering the gramophone record inclinity and the said that there is a mancial interest which that there is a mancial interest which the programmes to companies from the details on the checks that there is a mancial interest which the programmes companies from the that there is a mancial interest

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