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SONNY won't be seen in Great Britain before next year due to his recent illness, caused through overwork. His tour with Cher, scheduled for November, has been put

off until January when it is hoped he will be fit enough to return here. Get well soon, Sonny . . .

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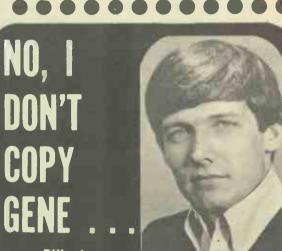
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idealistic romantics such as Dylan, Donovan Dylan, Dor and Barry and Dans Guire to Chair 'love Mcsing thy neighbour' songs as they are gett-ing paid for it. Do they realize that if anyone took notice of their moralizing nonsense, I for one, would be out of a job — or would they donate all their royalties to support redund-ant servicemen ? 23849344 L/Cpl. Davey, C2 Troop, Squadron, 2nd gnal Regt., Signal **BFPO 22**.



says Billy Joe

When Billy Joe Royal was introduced on Ready Steady Go during his few days In England (to promote his CBS recording of "Down In The Boon-docks") Cathy McGowan asked him if he minded being compared to Gene Pitney (whom he looks a little like and sounds slightly like too). "No," said Billy, "I admire him and I take it as a compliment." Back in his hotel room, 21-year-old Billy elaborated to me: "If I do sound like Pitney it's purely unintentional. Eve never met him and have only seen hIm working on television. The only influences Eve ever had have been in the rhythm and blues field. I must admit it gets a bit irritating — as well as being a compliment — to be compared to Pitney because I sometimes feel like I'm promoting HIM and not myself! That's why my new disc, just out in the States and called "I Knew You When," is absolutely nothing like Gene's style."

called "I Knew You When," is absolutely nothing like Gene's style." Billy was born and raised in South Georgia, had a band in high school, worked in local night clubs and made four or five records for a small label before being taken up by CBS. "Down In The Boondocks" (which means something like coming from the wrong part of town) has been an enormous seller for him and enabled him to make his first trip outside USA. "In England my main desire is to get to Carnaby Street and buy some of those great British clothes. Nothing quite like that in the States."

Billy added that he's very much hoping his records will do well enough in this country to enable him to come on another trip as soon as he possibly can.



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WORDS OF WISDOM

DEL'S DOWNFALL

Re Det Shannon's new disc Me the song itself and arrange-the song itself and arrange method are great, the quality of precording is terrible. Since join ing the Amy label, the recording quality of Del's discs has gone steadily down the nick. His voice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His voice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His voice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His voice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His voice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His voice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His voice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His voice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His voice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the steadily down the nick. His woice is discussed and the source of the source of the steadily down the nick and the source of the steadily down the nick and the source of th

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DONOVAN seen resting along the Thames embankment. An RM reader in the forces attacks 'protest' songs-sec lead letter.

U.S. BONDS PIX?

HAS any reader any photos of Gary U.S. Bonds' act, when he toured here in 1962, or of the Isley Bros. on their recent tour? I am willing to pay a good price for any such photos. I've been searching for 3ª years for pics of Gary Bonds' act. J. Barry, 101 Windsor Drive, Orping-ton, Kent.

NOT LIKELY! UNTIL Donovan sives the roy-alties on his "protest" EP to the C.N.D., he will be as phoney as all the others.--William Gynn, 6 Greenbank, Penzance. Gynn, 6 Cornwall.

POOR OLD JACK FUUR OLD JACK
WITH the appearance on the Andy Williams TV show of nearly all the American class singers, including Tony Bennett, Johnny Mathis and Bobby Darin, I'm at a loss wondering why the greatest of the lot hasn't been on. I mean Jack Jones, who can outsing and outclass any other singer. What's the matter, Andy? Knees shaking with fright at the fear of being shown up? — M. E. Storey, 40 Harewood Street, Bradford 3, york.
Image Straight of Street, State of the street, Storey, 40 Harewood Street, Bradford 3, york.

• James Craig: Jack is expected in Britain soon. Dusty Springfield nurses an ambition to work with him on an upcoming TV spec-tacular of her own.

THE WORSTEST

SINCE there has been some interest shown in my idea of a "Worst Of The Year" poll, which I suggested in a letter some weeks back, I have decided to run one myself. Would any RM readers Interested send me a stamped addressed envelope and I will send them a poll form when ready. Dave Wood, 14, Edinburkh Street, Radford, Not-tingham. tingham

MORE OF GARY

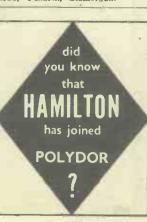
We come whenever the Walker Brothers are on television, we get close-ups of Scott, long looks at John's legs and NO Gary. I'm sick of seeing his head shoot across the screen at 100 m.p.h. at the end of a number. He's a great drummer and a great looker, too, so I want more of him — and I bet lots agree. S. Roberts, Rochester, Kent.

YOUNG ROCKERS!

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CAN any RM reader help me? For 6 months I've been trying to buy old records by Jan and Arnie without success. For any Jan and Arnie disc. especially "Jennie Lee," or any Jan and Dean single before "Linda," I will swop any available sinkle, or 6/. Anyone who can help me, please write to me. John Stebbing, The Corner House, Longfield Avenue. Wembley, Middx. AM aged 12 and would to tell you that Bob I AM aged 12 and would like to tell you that Bob Dylan pronounces his name 'Dil-lan' because he took the name from Dylan Thomas, the Welsh poet. In Welsh Y is pronounced as I. Allson Mercer, 5, Hughendom Road, Westonsuper-Mare, Spmer-set.



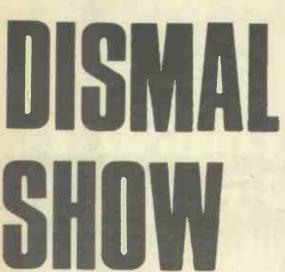
A FAST-RISING US HIT

Treat her right Roy Head



WHY is 'Chart Success' such a dirty phrase? I aim at those who say they appreci-ted Joan Baez and Bob Dylan before they were known to the keneral public. But since they hil to determine they are 'No wagon.' I admired them before they were recognised but I am delighted to see them in the charts. If you REALLY like a singer it won't bother you if he or she gets into the charts. Unless, of course, you do not like the singer it gives you to 'like' an unknown. Lars Gillbers, Linnegatan 7, Gothenburg Sw, Sweden. TVE just been watching this week's "Top Of The Pops" — It was SICK. What's with all those boring repeats? The three I remember before were Sonny, the Stones and Donovan (were there more?). Surely there are plenty of fantastic groups on the scene who could fill these spots instead of the show becoming a drag. I hope other readers will agree with me. Stephen Dalton, 40, Sowden Road, Bradford 9, Yorks.

STINES & SPENEER SAVE A



TWO and a half acts are not enough to satisfy an audience, as should become painfully obvious to the promoters of the Rolling Stones tour before long. If the Stones had not been on the tour, I could not have forecast a long run for it.

The End opened the show and rarely have I seen a group so aptly named. Compere Ray Cameron relied upon a gruesome series of sick jokes aimed at pop stars to keep him going and the Checkmates, though entertaining, should have changed their act by now.

Closing the first half, Unit Four Plus Two seemed to have little idea of what was required of them. Singer Tommy Moeller was content to shake his head violently every two minutes while the rest of the group just stood and played. Really nothing out of the ordinary.

After a dismal display by the Habits, their leader Charles Dickens treated us all to a tuneless ten minutes and deserves some kind of award for the most painful rendition of "Running Scared" ever heard.

After all that mush, the Spencer Davis Group was a welcome relief. But it would be unfair to them to judge their performance on the standard set by the rest of the bill. Quite alone, they were magnificent. Stage presence, timing and pure musicianship were in the 'A' stream and numbers like "Every Little Bit Hurts" and "My Babe" were beyond compare

Little can be said about the Stones, mainly because there was little to hear and see through a wall of shrieking, leaping female bodies. What glimpses I managed to catch were worth seeing and proved that Mick Jagger has conditioned his body to greater

feats of contortion than before. "Hitch Hike," "She Said Yeah" "We Got A Good Thing Going," "Satisfaction", "The Last Time", "Mercy Mercy", "Cry To Me." Brian Jones playing organ and Charlie speaking ware offered and accepted with such were offered and accepted with gusto. Another Stones triumph!

NOW SPENCER DAVIS TALKS TO PETER JONES ABOUT THE TOUR ...

What a tour this one is turning out to be! Fantastic-that's one word that springs to mind. Nervewracking-that's another, specially through the first couple of days when you're really getting acclimatised. Working with the Rolling Stones is honestly something else that wall of sound that erupts as soon as

they get on stage. For us, the Spencer Davis Group, this is in every venue. First show, you get all the screamers in. Second one, the people tend to listen a bit more closely. I suppose it's nicer to have people listen intently, but you've got to remember that the screamers, who are perhaps younger, are showing their appreciation, or adulation, in the way they know best



MICK JAGGER seen backstage at Finsbury Park Empire last Saturday with SPENCER DAVIS

RICHARD BY GREEN ERVIEW BY PETER JONES

Unit Four Plus Two, for instance, who are really friendly guys. We go around together.

The Stones? Well . . . I knew Mick Jagger before-we'd met him at a BBC audition. But you get to know him, the real him, on a tour like this. We've been talking about material, and equipment and that sort of thing. He really shows interest in the other groups.

groups. But that Charlie Watts. He's so cool it's unbelievable. He talks so slowly, thinks so carefully. Our drummer uses his kit, to avoid changeovers on stage. At Colston Hall, on Sunday, Charlie nearly lost his kit. You get the fans sitting on the stage, behind the groups ... and a group of them rushed Charlie and nearly heaved him off. But he's so cool. Ridiculous. He just carried on drumming, smiling benignly. Guess he's used to it by now. to it by now.

We've watched the Stones from the side of the stage. But Unit Four Plus Two got through the theatre and watched from the back. They reckoned you couldn't hear a single thing of their act. But that wave of sound, that great roar—it really is fantastic. The Stones are travelling round in a chauffeured Austin Princess—but there is a tour coach for most of the others

SO FAST MOVING

the second big tour we've done—we went out with Manfred Mann. What we've noticed so far is that first house is different from second big that house is different from second big that house is different from But the honest truth is that it's all so fastus, in fact. Funny thing is that we split our act of four fast numbers with one slow one—either "Georgia" or "Every Little Bit Hurts"—and it's the slow one that seems to go best of all. A bit unexpected Of all the panics, the doubts, and the nerves being wracked—the one thing that stands out is that wall of noise that builds





Thing about touring is that you get to know properly the others on the bill. There's

up every time the Stones step out on stage. It's almost incredible.



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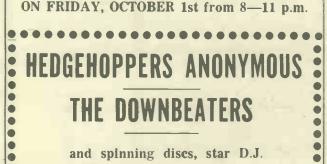
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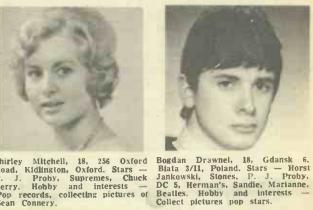
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AN American TV Christmas show and visits to Spain, Turkey, Poland and Copenhagen are lined up for the Animals. They may star with Dusty Springfield and the Walker

Brothers in a London Xmas spectacular and appear with Donovan in a film. The group spends October 10-12 taping "The Dangerous Christmas Of Red Riding Hood" in New York. The comedy musical was written by Jill Stein, who penned the smash musical

"Funny Face."

The show will be shown throughout America over Christmas, but as yet there are no plans to screen it here

here. They return to England in time to promote their new Columbia single "It's Our Life" which is released on October 22. It will be plugged on BBC-15 "Top Of The Pops" (21), Rediffusion's "Ready Steady Go" (22), TWW's "Discs A Gogo" (27), BBC-Light's "Easy Beat" (31) and ABC's "Lucky Stars" (November 6). The Animals leave again for Turkey on November 3 where they spend eicht days before moving to Poland until November 20. In December, they appear at Copen-hagen (4 and 5), Lisbon (6 and 7) and Madrid (8-11). Negotiations are under way for the Animals to team up with Dusty and the Walkers for a mammoth Christmas show at Fins-bury Park, Astoria. It would open on December 27 and run until January 15. A script for a satirical film

on December 27 and run onta January 15. A script for a satirical film about war "designed to shock" is under consideration by the Animals management. It is understood that Donovan may have a part in the film also. The artistes would be called upon to act as well as sing

sing. The The Animals complete their October dates with appearances at Peterborough Palais (23), Crawley Starlite (28), Harlesden 32 (29) and Southall Community Centre (31)

and Southall Community Centre (31). Hilton Valentine has taken over managership of a new Newcastle group, the Pagans, They have recorded one of Hilton's compos-itions, "it's All in Your Head" and are being negotiated for a recording contract.

12 LOVEL BIAR



THE IVY LEAGUE will make no personal appearances in Britain during November. Instead, they devote the whole month to composing and recording. Their only possible public appearance is a tentative short trip to America.

The Yardbirds expect to have a second LP released soon. Some recently recorded tracks will be weeks they will be in the studio. Their appearances during the studio during more songs. Their appearances during the second half of October are almost worth. They play Barnstaple upden's Hall (14). Axminster Guiddhall (15), Weston super Mare Gardens (16), Watford Trade Union Hall (18), Hick Wycombe Town Hall (18), Hick Wycombe Town Hall (18), Hick Wycombe Town Hall (18), Morecambe Central Pier (24), Molver hampton Queen's Baliroom (25) and Nottingham Sherwood Rooms (26). and (26).

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Alan Price is looking for a baritone sax player to join his newly-formed group. They are currently cutting tracks for their next Decca single. In October, they play Redcar Coatham Hotel (1), Sheffield Mojo (2), Guildford Rikki Tik (3), Warrington Parr Hall (4), Soho Marquee (5), Bromley Court Hotel (6), Redhill Market Hall (9), Han-Jey Place (10), Hampstead Klooks Kleek (12) and Tottenham Manor House (15).

"No Longhair"

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They will record a new single, LP and a Christmas EP, as well as making demo discs for several other artistes who have sought their services.

other artistes who have sought their services. On October 11, they begin a short Scottish tour, playing Aberdeen (11), Elgin Two Red Shoes (12), Dunfermline Kinema (13), Inverness (14), Kirkcaldy Raith (15) and Perth (16). Their new single, "Our Love is Silipping Away," is released on October 8 and they will perform it on BBC-Light's "Saturday Club" and ABC's "Lucky Stars" (October 23) and Rediffusion's "Ready Steady Go" (29). Other October dates for the Ivy League include pre-recording Southern TV's "Chart Busters" (7), Weston super Mare Winter Gardens Pavillion (9), Manchester Bellvue (10) and TV in Brussels (21).

Protest

Barry McGuire and the com-poser of "Eve Of Destruction", P. F. Sloan, fly in for a ten-day promotional visit on October 10. McGuire will appear on Gran-ada's "Scene At 6.30" (12), BBC-I's "Top Of The Pops" (14) and Rediffusion's "Ready Steady Go" (15).

MOD MOVIE The trials and tribulations of a

The trials and tribulations of a band rushing round the country for a hectic weekend will be shown in "Rod The Mod." a film about blues singer Rod Stewart on Re-diffusion on November 2. The film was made by Francis Megahy, a former ATV document-ary director. Initially, it will be shown locally, but it is hoped to network it later. Long John Baldry will be feat-ured talking about the blues and many well-known clubs are shown.

New Seekers

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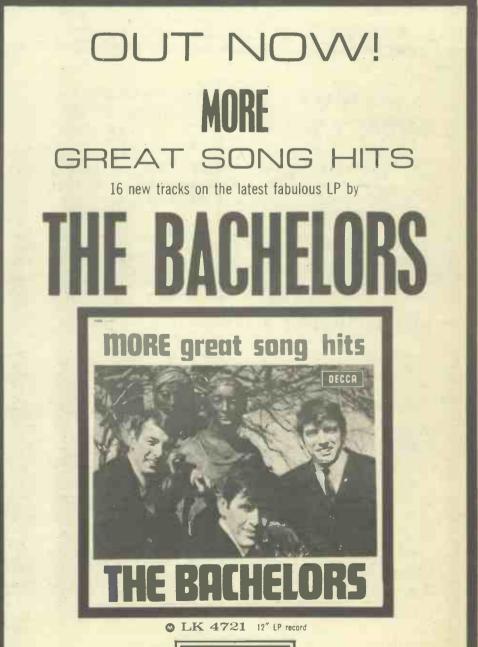
A DAM FAITH'S new record, "I Don't Need That Kind of Loving," is released by Parlophone on October 8. Out the same day is the Ivy League's self-penned "Our Love Is Slipping Away" (Piccadilly). Matt Monro's newie is the Lennon-McCartney number "Yesterday" (Parlophone), while

on Philips, Frankie Vaughan sings "The Happy Train."

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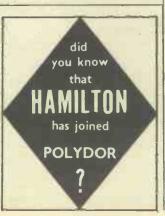
and Don Charles' "I Could Con-quer The World". United Artists — Jay and the Americans' "Some Enchanted Evening". Verve-Jimmy Smith's "Organ Grinders's Swing". MGM-the Gentry's "Keep On Dancing". Stateside — Ronnie Dove's "Till Make All Your Dreams Come True" and Mary Wells' "Me Without You". Tamla Motown — the Marvelettes' "Danger, Heart-break Dead Ahead". Mercury — the Profile's "Haven't They Got Better Things To Do". Fontana — Millie's "Bloodshot Eyes" and the Rattles' "Come On And Sing". Decca — the Clayton Squares' "Come And Get It" Barry And Tony's "Lots Love", Julie Felix's "Someday Soon", Tierney's Fingi-

tives' "Did You Want To Run Away", Page Ten's "Boutloue" and Room Ten's "I Love My Love". Brunswick — Len Barry's "One Two Three". Atlantic — Bobby Darin's "We Didn't Ask To Be Brought Here". London — Jack Jones' "Just Yesterday", the Voguest "You're The One" and John and Paul's "People Say". Pye — Leonard Whitins's "The Piper", Kim D's "The Real Thing", the Masterswingers'. "Praeludium", Peter London's "Bless You" and Michael Leslie's "Make Up Or Break Up', Picca-dily — Sounds Orchestral's "A Boy And A Girl'. Red Bird — Bessie Banks' "Go Now", Durium - Los Marcellos Ferial's "Sei





October 8: Bedford Granada October 9: London Finsbury Park Astoria October 10: Leicester De Montfort Hall October 12: Edinburgh ABC October 13: Glasgow Odeon October 14: Newcastle City Hall October 15: Leeds Odeon October 16: Blackpool ABC October 16: Blackpool ABC October 17: Liverpool Empire October 19: Bristol Colston Hall October 20: Plymouth ABC October 21: Exeter ABC October 22: Cardiff Odeon October 23: Bournemouth Winter Gardens October 24: London East Hau October 24: London East Han October 26: Lincoln ABC October 27: Chesterfield ABC October 28: Wigan ABC The new-look "Lucky Stars" with built in family appeal begins this Saturday (October 2) starring Ken control of the fortunes, Bo Diddley, Alan David, Jan Panter and Lione. Blair with his dancers. "Out soes the parade of long tained groups and in come enter-tainers with family appeal." said an ABC-TV spokesman. Set for the first month are Frankle Vaughan, Kenny Ball, five, the Everly Brothers, Freddle and the Dreamers, the Dave Clark Five, the Everly Brothers, Freddle and the Dreamers, the Seekers, Adam Faith, Jackie Trent, Antia Harris, Gene Pliney, Lulu and Puter and Gordon. "MBC's Light Entertainment Supervisor Philip Jones stated: "The pop music scene has been going through a big change in the last few months and we hope to reflect this trend by booking the going through a big change in the last few months and we hope to reflect this trend by booking the best singers, the finest of the comedy recording artistes and the greatest of the hit paraders."



The American trend of promot-ing pop tours in association with a radio station is being adopted by Brian Epstein for the forth-coming Everly Brothers package. Radio London will provide dee-jay Pete Brady to introduce the major acts and present LPs and EPs to members of the audience. He will also give away Radio London T-shirts. Lionel Blair will present the other acts besides performing with his dancers on a number of occa-sions.

his dancers on a number of occa-sions. Producer John Lyndon said: "The public is beginning to expect something more than a string of disconnected acts on a one nighter tour. Lionel Blat's choreography will identify closely with the mood of the show and the dance sequences will link the acts together."

sequences will link the acts together." An additional simmick is the introduction of four-foot long bro-chures which open out concertina-like to reveal photo displays. It is now possible that Cilla Black, who is also on the show, will arrive with the Everly Brothers at London Airport on October 4 at 5 p.m. They are appearing together in Amsterdam.



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'DON'T MOVE OUR GLASSES FOR THE PICTURE - DOESN'T EVERYBODY DRINK?' **PETER ASHER and Gordon Waller**

turned up to chat. Gordon, with publicity girl Janet, was on time . . . said Peter had to drive up from the country and knowing his driving he could be anything up to a week late. Peter turned up just a few minutes adrift. And they talked.

Gordon: (as photographer moved some glasses from the table for a saloon-bar picture): Why does everybody move the glasses out of our reach? We drink doesn't everybody? Why make it look as if we're teetotal? Must try to change this image.

Peter: Our next release will be a revival of the Barbara Lewis song "Baby I'm Yours". But about covering old hits - well, if you give them your own interpretation, what's wrong with that? Some cover records are so similar they're just diabolical.

Gordon: Ah, we remember Record Mirror's Norman Jopling saying we might as well pack up and change our name or something. We'd had a ridiculous flop. Well, then came "True Love Ways" and our last one... so that was our answer.

Peter: This last trip to America was a long one — eleven weeks. Good thing to be away so long? Don't know. But you can earn a lot of bread in America, though your expenses are very high. Nowadays they don't spend out quite so blindly on British groups.

Gordon: Had some great times in the States. One night in a bar we met up with James Brown. He ended up on drums... Dave Rowberry of the Animals was on organ and knocked everybody out.

Peter: Of course we don't like people writing us off, like they did when we had a couple of poor sellers. But there IS a funny side to it when you get a good follow-up hit.

Gordon: That's the lucky one . . . (pointing to Peter). I've written about eight songs recently and he only did

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PETER AND GORDON

half of ONE of them. And they all go out under our two names!

Peter: Sure, he's been very creative. recently. Tom Jones is interested in a couple of them.

Gordon: We're NOT having a knock at Tom - we've been working with him in America. But I reckon he'd be better, with that great voice of his, in the top cabaret spots rather than in teen shows. The older folk lap him up.

Peter: People seem interested in how much money we have stashed away. You just can't keep up-to-date with it, because of royalties coming in slowly. I've just a fair idea.

Gordon: I've been having trouble with the birds recently. There are two of them — I think I fancy both.

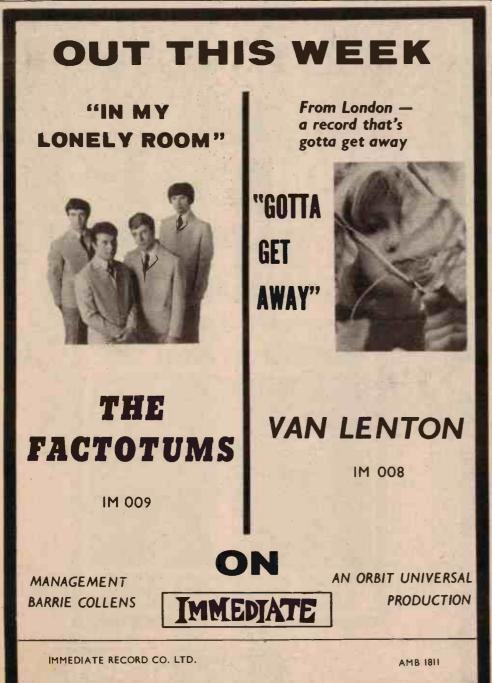
Peter: You should get to meet the Lovin' Spoonful, the American group. Great characters. One wears these National Health round specs — I think I'll have to look out my old pair. Let's have another drink.

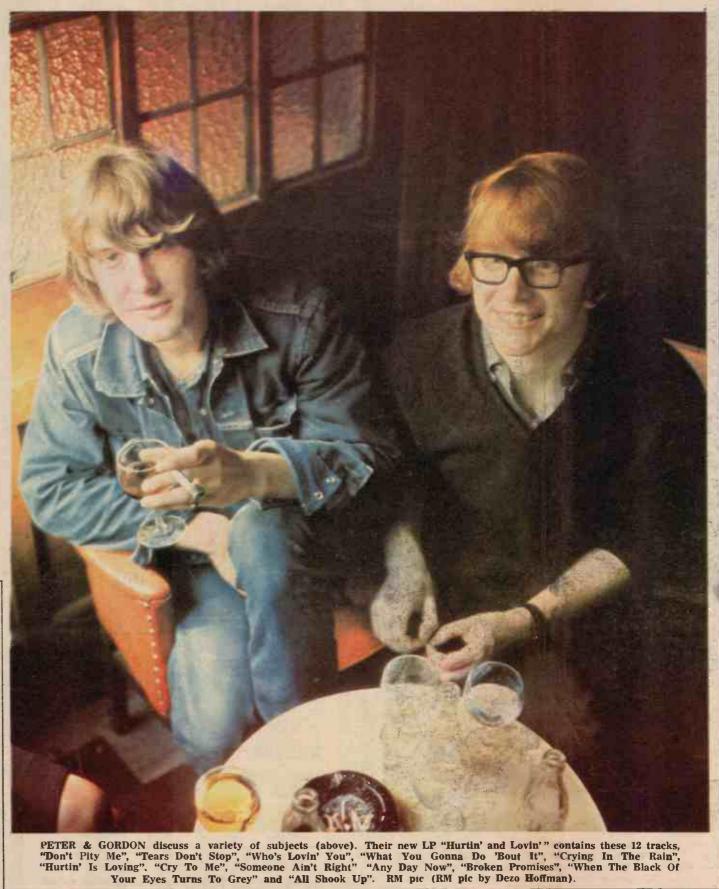
Gordon: Well, YOU pay and don't look so fed up about it.

Peter: We are going back to America, but for only a short time this trip. Actually, we're very lucky. If we miss the charts here there's always some-where we're showing, like Singapore or something. You can pick up a thousand pounds a week there .

Gordon: No worries, then. Except that we're late for a meeting in our office. There's only room for one more in my car — so I'll take this lovely publicity girl, Janet, with me.

Peter: Trust HIM. And they were away.





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TILL THE END OF TIME



EVERY time I went out on a date or anything and came home later, I'd find my brother waiting for me on the corner, worrying himself sick. Sometimes he'd ring people up and ask if I was there.

Nowadays, it's him who's always out to all hours, but he's got a better reason— singing with the Yardbirds. Keith joined the Yardbirds

with Eric Clapton. Actually, they formed the group and he was always dead keen on the idea but he never thought it would go as far as it has now.

LONG HAIR

He grew his hair long when he was at art school, though, not just for he though, not just for he Yardbirds. He'd come home after late parties and have Dad nag him. It was Mum that kept Keith from being thrown out, I think. But Keith won in the end because Dad's now the Yardbirds' road manager!

Keith used to go round all the folk clubs with a guitar he bought from a friend for fl. He didn't do any work for ages after leaving art school. He went round with a crowd from Kingston, a lot of berks thay are

they are. He went to see them again before discovered went to America and discovered y were all getting married. He he went to America and discovered they were all getting married. He was dead choked. There was one bloke who used to put a notch on his bed every time he took a girl home, now he's married.

JAZZ FANATIC

Keith got all fanatical about the Modern Jazz Quartet through going with that crowd. He still likes modern jazz, but not as much. He doesn't get all that much free time, but sometimes he stays in his flat with his girl friend and listens to records records

records. It's funny about records with Keith, When he was going all folk mad, he didn't buy records, he usually borrowed them. Apart from the guitar, the only thing he bought

MY BROTHER KEITH-BY JANE

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LOVE LIFE

While he was at school, he used to have lots of girl friends. I wouldn't say he was a Casanova, but perhaps he thought he was. He'd come home and I'd sit on the end of the bed and listen to him talk about his love life. I picked up some tips that was! He was always warning me about who not to go out with. He'd point at a boy and say; "Don't go with him, he's not the right type." Then I'd go with the boy to find out.

go with him, he's not the right type." Then I'd go with the boy to find out. I didn't like crusts on bread and I used to throw them at him when we were eating. Once I threw a table at him. He pushed me, and I fell off the chair. I made out I was hurt and he just said: "Stop being stupid and get up." But really he's very kind and sincere. Please don't think that's corny because it's true. If he says something to someone he means it. He joves signing autographs for fans. A girl came to the Crawdaddy one Sunday night with a little white mongrel puppy. She said that if she couldn't find a home for it she'd have to have it put down. So Keith said he'd look after it. Later, when it got too

much for him with his travelling and everything, he gave it to me. It was called "Winnie The Pooh" which was shortened to "Pooh". It was embarrassing walking down the street shouting: "Come on. Pooh!"

All the siris go mad about Keith and scream for him when he's on stage. He's got more used to it before, but they didn't know he wondering if he'd pass out. It's funny for me to see my brother on stage being treated like an idol, I just laugh. Not all that many people know that Keith was once told by a hospital never to sing again. He collapsed just before the Yard-birds went to America and they found he had a punctured lung. I fainted when I went to see under the bed. He had got very despondent about his asthma and wanted to leave the group. He used All the girls go mad about Keith

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(ABOVE left, an early shot of Keith with his first guitar, above right, as he is now. RIGHT-Jane Relf).



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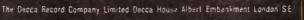
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FIRST LP'S FROMSONNY

SONNY AND CHER: "Look At Us" I Got You Babe; Unchained Melody; Then He Kissed Me; Sing C'Est La Vie; It's Gonna Rain; 500 Miles; Just You; The Letter; Let It Be Me; You Don't Love Me; You Really Got A Hold On Me; Why Don't They Let Us Fall In Love. (Atlantic ATL 5036) THE great demand for this album is bound to make It a smash from the word "go." Sonny wrote and produced most of the tracks himself. So they sound just right for him and Cher Some of the Phil Specter influence creeps in now and again but Sonny

him and Cher. Some of the Phil Spector influence creeps in now and again, but Sonny seems to have adapted the technique to suit their style. Best tracks are undoubtedly Cher's solo "Unchained Melody" and "500 miles."

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CHER: "All I Really Want To Do"—All I Really Want To Do; I Go To Sleep; Needles And Pins; Don't Think Twice; She Thinks I Still Care; Dream Baby; The Bells Of Rhymney; Girl Don't Come; See See Rider; Come And Stay With Me; Cry Myself To Sleep; Blowin' In The Wind (Liberty LBY 3058).

CHER'S image is fantastic. Her voice isn't as good. With Sonny, her discs are stronger because they seem to strengthen each other, but certainly none of these tracks live up to the early promise of "All I Really Want To Do." The backings are sparkly and help things along, and she seems better on the jerkier type of song such as "Girl Don't Come" and "I Go To Sleep." But on the other Dylan tunes and "The Bells of Rhymney" there's a distinct weakness. This LP will obviously sell well, but on the strength of her image rather than the quality.

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MR. ACKER BILK AND HIS PARAMOUNT JAZZ BAND "Ack's Back" Mona Lisa; Train Song No. 1: Ol' Man River; Judy; Un-decided; China Boy; Bula Bula; In The Sunset; Nagasaki (Col-umbla Lansdowne series 33SX 1742). 1747).

1747). SOMEHOW, one has the feelink that this music is more like the real Acker Blik than the ultra-commercial trad of some five years back. Or the sukary "Stranser" stuff. Subtlety abounds, and Acker's progression is inter-esting. Try "Train Song No. 1" or "Bik Crash From China" and you'll see. Smooth jazz with touches of harshness, and always the feelink of enjoyment. ★★★ $\star \star \star$

DORIS DAY: "Greatest Hits".— Everybody Loves A Lover; It's Magie: A Guy Is A Guy; Secret Love; Teacher's Pet; Bewitched; Whatever Will Be; If I Give My Heart To You; Shanghai; When I Fall In Love; Luliaby Of Broad-way; Love Me Or Leave Me (CBS BPG 62419).

MISS PERSONALITY", with that lovely crisp voice, on a collection of some of the biggies from her hit-studded career. You'll know most of 'em. anyway, but it's nice to have them in this handy-pack form.

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ROY ORBISON: "There is Only One Ray Orbison" — Ride Away; You Fool You; Two Of A Kind; This is Your Song; I'm In A Blue Mood; If You Can't Say Something Nice; Claudette; Afraid To Sleep; Sugar and Honey; Summer Love; Big As 1 Can Dream; Wondering (London HAU 8252).

(London HAU 8252). HEADLINED by his current single, this is all MGM-recorded material. Mostly ballads, with an interesting ver-sion of his old song "Claudette." written some seven years ago for the Everly Brothers. The plano backings are mostly countryish, and there is a fresh flavour to most of these songs. The vocals are really good, with Roy putting just about everything into it — perhaps on the whole the material isn't quite as strong as it could be, but it's still a good LP, as opposed to a bad one.

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JEAN SHEPHARD: "The Best Of". (Capitol T 1922).

JEAN is a kind of Americanised Ruby Murray, and her country songs with prominent steel guitar whining away are quite attractive. If you like her voice-a bit like a sharper Patsy Cline-you'll like this because it is well performed and sung.

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THE LATEST SMASH HIT FROM SANDIE SHAW **MESSAGE UNDERSTOOD** MARVIN GAYE: "Hello Broad-way." — Hello Broadway; People; The Party's Over: On The Street Where You Live; What Kind Of Fool Am 1; My Kind Of Town; The Days Of Wine and Roses; This Is The Life: My Way; Hello Dolly; Walk On The Wild Side (Tamia Motown 11015).

(Tamia Motown 11015). MARVIN in a more restrained mood, working over, in a tuneful but not notably ex-plosive way, some of the top show tunes of recent years. Some are time-worn, some are remotely tired... but Marvin treats them as if it's the first time he'd heard them. That is, with an air of hikh-voiced wonderment. He swinks, but gently. Mostly it's plaintive singing. A surprise stand-out. "This is The Life." But he's also great on "Hello Dolly."

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BILLY ECKSTINE: "Big Six-teen." — Tenderly; Laura; Smoke Gets in Your Eyes; Over The Rainbow; III Wind; Someone To Watch Over Me; Temptation: One For My Baby; My Foolish Heart; April in Paris; Jealousy; You've Got Me Crying Again; Don't Get Around Much Anymore; Kiss Of Fire; Do Nothin' Till You Hear From Me; Hold Me Close To You (Encore 203).

(Encore 203). BlLLY has been on the scene, and on the kolf-links, for 25 years now, with a myriad pile of hits behind him. Here's a collection of some of them. In which "Someone To Watch Over Me" still stands out as a marvell-ous demonstration of his skills. That wierd, much-copied, vibrato, shows through abundantly, as they say, but the sounds are enhanced by arrangements by widely-ranged talents such as Nelson Riddle. Pete Rugolo and the fantastic Bobby Tucker quartet. It's classy sing-ing; not even remotely souare. Lyrics get full value.

"Picks The Man: COUNT BASIE: "Picks The winners." — Watermelon Man; That's All; I Won't Cry Anymore; Main Theme From "Exodus;" I'll Get By; My Kind Of Town; I'm Walkin;' Come Rain Or Come Shine; Volare; Nohody Knows You when You're Down And Out; Oh, Lonesome Me (Verve 9097).

JOHNNY HODGES; WILD BILL DAVIS: "Joe's Blues." — Joe's Blues; I'll Walk Alone; Harmony in Harlem; Warm Valley; Wild Bill Blues; Somebody Loves Me; Solitude; Clementine (Verve 9094).

Solitude: Clementine (Verve 9094). Set named after a Davis orig-inal, this features rhythm section (with Fender bass) and the Davis organ style nearly micks jhe full honours from the Hodges alto. Great and sympa-thetic trombone from Lawrence Brown fills out the front line. There's an Ellington mood to the selections. expectedly, and maybe "Harmony in Harlem," a Duke bit from 1937, is perhaps the most ambitious, with stargering guitar from Grant Green — a technician superb. The eloquent Johnny Hodges is best on "Warm Valley"

MOST rock 'n' roll fans have to be content with album of re-issues. Now Sam the Sham LP full of real rock material. Saxes blare away as guitars pound out the beat. Really like vintage '55 stuff. Couple of the numbers drag, but the rest are belters. * * * *

PEPE JARAMILLO "The Mex-ican Way Of Pepe Jaramillo" (Parlophone PMC 1253). EXCELLENT piano artistry from Pepe, on this his ninth album. Latin-styled versions of such tunes as "Amapola," "Mexico" and "It Happened In Monterey," Directed by Geoff Love, and pro-duced by Norman Newall, this is very listenable. * * *





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JOHNNY THUNDER: Dear John I'm Going To Leave You; Suzle-Q (Stateside SS 454). Pounding medium pace beat on this strong R & B item from Johnny. His best for a while, with quite a good tune. Maybe a bit old hat, but OK.

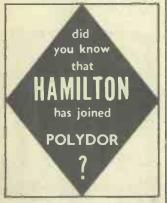
ZOOT MONEY'S BIG ROLL BAND: Something Is Worrying Me; Stubborn Kind Of Fellow (Columbia DB 7697), Heavy R & B band back-ing, and a compelling lead vocal. Lots of atmosphere, and quite ex-ciling. A bit way-out for popular tastes though.

THE TURTLES: It Ain't Me Babe: Almost There (Pye Int. 25320). A big hit in America, this rather mournful folk-cum-ballad item, Smallish lead voice and vocal harmonies. Builds well mid-way in a thumping way. Might get away given right plugging.

WAYNE GIBSON AND THE DYNAMIC SOUNDS: One Little Smile; Baby Baby Baby Pity Me (Columbia DB 7683). It really is dynamic, this, particularly from the backing sounds. Wayne handles rather straightforward song with a rather straightforward song with vocal assistance. It moves well at a good tempo. A chunky sound.

a good tempo. A chunky sound. THE SYNDICATS: On The Horizon; Crawdaddy Simone (Columbia DB 7686). Old Ben E. King song, treated with tortu-ous tempo and welrd backing sounds. It's very well done and the song has a grow-on-you appeal. Nice walling, but controlled, by the lead singer. A very highly commended effort which deserves to do well. to do well.

LENNY WELCH: Two Different Worlds; I Was There (London HLR 9991). Soft-voiced Lenny on an oldie which comes up reason-ably bright. Nicely phrased but not particularly commercial.



THE HARBOUR LITES: I Will Give All; They Call The Wind Maria (HMV Pop 1465). Second disc from three lads all called John — New Zealanders. It's a rather catchy song, lifted im-mensely by stylist harmonies. String backing, with snatches of plano. A hopeful, optimistic sort of song and performance.

JOE LOSS ORCHESTRA: Let's Kick; Just For Kicks (HMV Pop 1470). Must sell well through Joe's popularity. It's a Lionel Blair dance routine which moves fast, mostly through section work. Shouted phrases. Persistent beat.

JAMES DARREN: Persistent beat. JAMES DARREN: Because You're Mine; Millions Of Roses (Warner Bros. 5648). Talented Jimmy on a Latinish-treated ver-sion of the oldie, a Mario Lanza biggie. Curlous trumpet figures behind James and a percussive cymbal beat. A stylish treatment but probably not a charter. Clever arrangement. RIISS LOADER: Count The Stars:

RUSS LOADER: Count The Stars; Trying Too Hard (Columbia DB 7696), Another excellent performance from Russ, following a big-building instrumental lead in, Double-tracked and a meaningful beater-belter. A very pleasant song. All sepulchral mid-way.

THE KINGSMEN: Annie Fanny; Something's Got A Hold On Me (Pye 25322). Story of a magazine strip character, with a compulsive near blue-beat rhythm. Moves along nicely, with rather flat lead voice. Hand-clapping.

THE CHOSEN FEW: Today, To-night and Tomorrow; So Much To Look Forward To (Pye 15942). Rather an urgent group sound, this. Plenty of plano and a high-pitched lead voice. Song is rather ordinary, but the boys get maximum value. O.K. for sound.

THE IMPRESSIONS: I Need You; Never Could You Be (HMV Pop 1472). Typical Impressions song, high pltched vocals lacking the power of their "Talking About My Baby" type of material. A pity. pity

BEN E. KING: Cry No More; (There's) No Place To Hide (Atlantic AT 4043). A very unusual release from Ben. Jerky femme chorus a la Bacharach, and a pounding ballad which is plaintive. tuneful and attractive. Certainly his best for a while, and no dis-appointment. appointment.

JIMMY JOHNSON: Don't Answer The Door Part One; Part Two (Sue WI 387), Shrill bluesy guitar opens this slow ponderous opus. Quite a good vocal here, with chorus working away gradually in the backdrop. Specialist, but OK.

PEGGY MARCH: Let Her Go; Your Girl (RCA Victor 1472). A highly urgent vocal from Miss March. Fiery opening, then it settles into a saleable mid-tempo beat-ballad. Nice performance. Good arrangement.

THE ZOMBIES: Whenever You're Ready; I Love You (Decca F 12225), Group always likely to make the charts. This has a good lead voice setting the scene, then the usual group sounds, It's a good number, in a fairly routine way, and the group keep things moving well. Sensitively handled.

LITTLE FRANKIE: It Doesn't Matter Anymore; Happy, That's Me (Columbia DB 7681). Buddy Holly's biggest hit given a multi-track treatment from Frankie. Sounds a bit squeaky, but then this number would sound O.K. by almost anybody. Holly fans may not dig.

GENE McDANIELS: Walk With A Winner; A Miracle (Liberty LIB 55805). Fantastic atmospheric sound from Gene — almost a Bacharach type ballad song with plenty of enthusiasm thrown in — quite subtle in parts. But what a great voice.

THE IKETTES: Prisoner In Love: Those Words (Sue WI 389). A years-old side here for the benefit of R. and B fans. Heavy beat, contagious tune, unfortunately it's a carbon copy of their oldie "I'm Blue."

GLADYS KNIGHT & THE PIPS: Letter Full Of Tears; You Broke Your Promise (Sue WI 334). A hit some four years back for Gladys in the States and Billy Fury here. It's an atmospheric waller with a touch of the early Malry Wells about it. It's worth listening to.

SOUNDS INCORPORATED: My Little Red Book; Justice Neddi (Columbia DB 7676). Almost a Top Filty Tip, this fine instrumen-tal of the item from the "Pussy-cat" movie. Good and rich sax sounds, with organ trilling and dynamic drum basis. It's a good, catchy, commercial number. Quite a lot of excitement here — one definitely to watch.

NAT KING COLE AND STUBBY KAYE: The Ballad Of Cat Ballou; They Can't Make Her Cry (Capito) CL 15411). The two minstrels who introduce the movie give a typi-cally personality-laden performance of some amusing lyrics. Nice little souvenir of the most way-out Western in years.

JOHN SCHROEDER ORCH: Agent O0-Soul; Nightrider (Pye Picca-dilly 35271). Flute, piccolo, organ, brass-main ingredients of this in-strumental with touches of vocal group chanting "seven." Great guitar leads and the sort of thing which could easily make the charts. Fine beat, Exciting.





VAL DOONICAN

THE SEARCHERS

Not the best Searchers and an ordinary follow-up from the Fortunes. Good rocker from Roy Head and a sub-standard oldie from Sonny and Cher. Pleasant newies from Val Doonican and Gary Lewis.

SEARCHERS: When I Get Home; I'm Never Coming Back (Pye 7N 15950).

STILL on a slightly folksy kick, the Searchers total Still on a slightly folksy kick, the Searchers tackle a medium - paced song with their usual excellent style. Not exactly the best thing they've done. Quite a complicated song with more vocal harmony than of late. Flip is more typical of the Searchers. Faster and with a good dance beat.

TOP FIFTY TIP.

FORTUNES: Here It Comes Again; Things I Should Have Known (Decca F 12243).

CO-WRITTEN and MD'd by Les Reed. An easy on the ear ballad with some interesting key changes from the boys. They'll be lucky to repeat the success of "You've Got Your Troubles" with this, though it's definitely well worth listening to. More of a beater on the flip with plenty of guitar work.

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GARY LEWIS: Everybody Loves A Clown: Time Stands Still (Liberty Lib 55818). C about his dad, Jerry Lewis — but it's a teen-slanted beat-ballad, with jangling, guitar-bass sounds behind. Not a par-ticularly good showcase for Gary's personal vocal talents, but it's already been given full plugs. Compactly arranged, with plenty of enthusiasm shown. Should be tleast a minor hit. Flip is weird. TOP FIFTY TIP

TOP FIFTY TIP SONNY AND CHER: The Letter; Spring Fever (Vocalion V.L 9247). A TRACK Sonny produced him-self some time axo before he and Cher made the big time. Will obviously do well because of who's singing it. They sing together on a weeple ballad that has a lot going on in the background. Drums get frenzied now and axain, then the couple take the story-line on. Flip Is an instrumental but we don't know which instruments Sonny and Cher play. play

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VAL DOONICAN: A Million Miles From Nowhere: Much Too Much (Decca F 12242).

WISTFUL harmonica and drifting strings help promote soothing ballad. Val' soothing ballad. Val's pleasant voice rambles along and gives the impression of a man surveying a green plain from a mountain. Occasional drop into his deep-voiced style that is so popular. Much brighter flip with a giftle chorus on a jog trotting medody.

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ROY HEAD: Treat Her Right; So Long, My Love (Vocalion V-P 9248).

REPETITIOUS guitar and trum-pets with Roy yelling odd comments lead into a very strong beal. Singer tells how to get a reputation as a loving nan. Builds up to a rousing shouter then ends abruptly. Smash in America and bound to do the same here. Flip is a weepy ballad from the days of rock 'n' rolt films.

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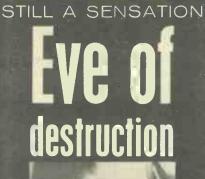
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H Bass; "I Knew You When"—Billy Joe Royal; "1-2-3" —Len Barry; "Cara-Lin"—Strangeloves; "A Taste Of Honey"—Tijuana Brass; "Let's Hang On"—Four Seasons; "Ain't That Peculiar"—Marvin Gaye; "Ring Dang Do" -Sam The Sham.

New U.S. releases include—"Where Have All The Flowers Gone"—Johnny Rivers; "I Miss You So"—Little Flowers Gone"—Johnny Rivers; "I Miss You So"—Little Anthony and the Imperials; "Chapel In The Moonlight" —Bachelors; "I Found A Girl"—Jan and Dean; "Seesaw" —Don Covay; "Rusty Bells"—Brenda Lee; "So Long Babe"—Nancy Sinatra; "Only A Fool Breaks His Own Heart"—Arthur Prysock; "Let Me Know When It's All Over"—Ester Phillips; "Just One Kiss From You"— Impressions; "Think Before You Act"—Tony Orlando; "I'll Be Looking Back"—Ketty Lester; "My Place"— Crystals; (U.A.) "Gotta Tell You How I Feel"— Righteous Brothers; "Nobody But My Baby"—Rudy and Romantics; "I Really Love You"—Dee Dee Sharp; "The World Is Round"—Rufus Thomas. N.J.







BOUND FOR HITSVILLE Sam Cooke



MARIANNE FAITHFULL seen above with PATRICK KERR in the "Hem and Fringe" boutique in Pimlico, London. Marianne is being fitted for a maternity styled trouser suit, designed especially for her by Patrick and his wife Theresa. (RM Pic)

DUSTY is with KEITH BECKETT, director of "Thank Your Lucky Stars" at a recording of last Saturday's show. Dusty shows Keith her new album and she also sang some of the tracks on Saturday.







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Unit Four Plus Two didn't know what they were starting when they asked Record Mirror to find them a girl mascot. Hundreds of comely readers harkened to their request and applications poured into our office. Here with the boys, is the girl they chose-15-year-old Caroline Davis from Sheen, Surrey. The whole Unit (+2) turned out smartly for a day with their lovely mascot. They took her to a meal in London's Soho, showed her round the Apollo Music premises, slipped her a copy of their LP and then took her down to Cheshunt where she listened to them rehearsing. The outing was a thrilling end to her summer holidays: that night Caroline returned to the autumn term at her boarding school, The Royal Ballet School, Richmond.

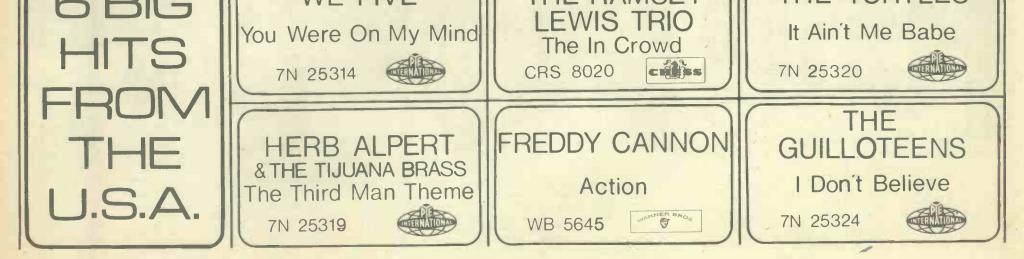


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HEDGEHOPPERS WILL BE YEARS IN THE R.A.F.!

T'S the debut-record group that everybody seems to be tipping for a massive hit ... Hedgehoppers Anony-mous. In fact, there's seldom been such a boost for an outfit, virtually unknown, as these boys have for their "It's Good News Week". Yet they're a group with a bit of a problem.

For three of them are still in the RAF Drummer Lesley Dash, with 7 years to do, and bassist Ray Honeyball (3) years yet to come) are stationed at RAF Wittering. Lead guitarist John Stewart has just been posted to another station—which means a trip of 120 miles for each rehearsal or date. Lead singer Mike Tinsley has just got his discharge, on the grounds of "depression" — Rhythm Guitarist Alan Laud is out now anyway and operating as a laboratory technician.

Mike told me: "It obviously is a diffi-cult situation. The RAF don't mind about out group work, just as long as we do our ordinary work. Which means getting up very early in the morning after a late night. NOT wearing uni-forms on stage—and not doing anything to-bring the Service into disrepute!" They own and admit they own a lot

They owe, and admit they owe, a lot to Jonathan King. He "found" them playing a date at Cambridge . . . went along in the interval and told them he liked their vocal arrangement. They went off to listen to some of his songs, including a tape of "It's Good News Week". It obviously fitted their particu-lar style . . . , which is all-in vocal arrangements, with Mick on lead, Ray on the high bits.

lar style ..., which is all in vocal arrangements, with Mick on lead, Ray on the high bits. The song? Highly controversial—and the lyrics have been changed some-what for American consumption. Says Jonathan himself: "It's the most sar-castic I've ever written. It just shows how differently people think. For in-stance, some people would be pleased to hear a bomb had dropped, especially if they had sent it. Others would be horrified, particularly if they were on the receiving end, Others would just say "Oh really?" as if they'd been told it was going to rain for a week." Music? Hedgehoppers Anonymous are really interested in rhythm. 'n' blues. But they're mad, to a man, on Beach Boy material—and dig Buddy Holly's work. They say: "If Buddy were alive today, he'd be THE biggest name in the business."

PETER JONES

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which will be included in an album. Jazz LP of Dylan tunes by Gene Norman group. "Wooly Bully" has sold close on two million copies throughout the world . Pretty Things drummer Viv Prince likened to a 'mobile garbage heap' by New Zealand newspaper articles . Caroline Carter seen around with Michael Aldred . which long-haired publicist swears at the mention of Jerry Lee Lewis? . Dublin-born Jackie Lee dislikes English cooking . publicist Allan McDougall the proud daddy of eight pound Christopher Gary . Chris Curtis and Llonel Morton fog bound at London Airport last week . Who co-manager Chris Stamp slept in his office when he couldn't wake his partner Kit Lambert to open the flat door . . new Decca groups include Page Ten and Room Ten . . new Century 21 label issung records of children's TV sci-fi series ... Andrew Oldham has recorded "A Run In The Green And Tangerine Flaked Forest" . . . Spokesmen's "Dawn Of Correction" one of the worst "answer" discs to date . . .

SANDIE has been unwell for a few weeks with a bad throat. But she's recovering now, and will top the bill at Paris Olympia together with Richard Anthony.



JONATHAN—the new pop prophet (profit?)

NEXT American single release from the Stones will be "Get Off My Cloud" ... next Peter & Gordon L.P. is "Hurtin 'n' Lovin'"... best selling C. & W. Star in the States today is Buck Owens ... Sue Patience of Decca heard and seen dee-jaying in Cromwellian night spot ... Bobby Darin's first Atlantic single will be "We didn't ask to be brought here" ... Supremes hit Las Vegas with booking at Flamingo - Sammy Davis asked to be their Master of Ceremonies ... due to public demand Steve Race has recorded "Like Old Times" from the BBC show of the same name ... Joe Meek says he will eat his hat if Glenda Collin's "Thou Shalt Not Steal" is a hit. Apologies to enterprising group leader Alan Bown for mis-spelling his name last week ... Rozer Williams new single is a new version ... Animals new MGM-Decca deal identical to Roy Orbison's ... next Dritters album "I'll Take You Where The Music's Flaying" ... Delyse records to issue a Barry McGuire album titled "Here And Now," recorded after he left the New Christy Minstrels ..., Wilson Pickett has cut an album titled after his "Midnight Hour" hit ... EMI to issue three Albert Schweitzer

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