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**DIXIELANDERS  
AT WOOLWICH**

THE reception given the Original Dixielanders by Reg Ruggles was so enthusiastic when they guested at the Woolwich Town Hall on Saturday night that they were offered a repeat booking for December 3 before the first session was concluded.

The Dixielanders played two sets of songs and music for dancing was provided by the Debonair Dance Orchestra playing strict dance steps.

Following the appearance of the Original Dixielanders at Dorking Halls for the National Dance Band Concerts, Berliner Brothers have been offered two bookings at Dorking for November 8 and December 17 respectively.

**Championship Results**

IT is regretted that the following results were omitted from the Results of the Grand Finals in last week's issue: Modernaires Dance Orchestra (Bradford) fourth; George Burns and the Highlites; recommended: Gordon Coupé and (Trumpet); Alan McBride (Piano).

We correct size as follows: Dennis Jones (Accordion) gained an Individual Award with the Collegians' Septet and not with Austin Morris' team. Penny Nicholls will again be heard in the third edition of her programme "Penny Sings" in the Midweek Service on 4.30-4.45 p.m. Dennis will accompany her and John and Joseph Weber will be heard piano and accordion duets.

**BILLY MERRIN'S  
BUSY WINTER**

AFTER a highly successful season at Herne Bay, Billy Merrin is now beginning a heavy schedule of one-night stands and private functions ranging from Grimsby to Oxford. On October 23 Merrin, with Penny Nicholls will again be heard in the third edition of her programme "Penny Sings" in the Midweek Service on 4.30-4.45 p.m. Dennis will accompany her and John and Joseph Weber will be heard piano and accordion duets.

**TOP TEN**

1. Buttons In The Sky. E. Morris.  
2. I Don't See Me In Your Eyes Any More. C. & C.  
3. Forever And Ever. F.D. & H.  
4. Again. F.D. & H.  
5. While The Angels Were Singing. Southern.  
6. Careless Whisper. Morris.  
7. You Can You Buy Kilbarney? P. Maurice.  
8. Wedding Sambo. Leeds.  
9. Echo Told Me A Lie. Chappell.  
10. Confidentially. New World.

**ACCORDION  
TIMES**

(Edited by J. J. Black)  
MORE CONTEST REPORTS  
NORTH MIDLANDS

ORGANIZERS OF THE National Accordion Organization North Midlands Area Contest held at the Empire Ballroom, Birmingham, on October 25, were Messrs. J. Renfrew & Co., Ltd., of Manchester, who are to be congratulated on their success. The contest was well attended and there was a satisfactory entry in most sections of the competition. Adjudicators were Mr. Eric G. Conway Graves (both from the British College of Accordionists) and Wilfred Walker from Manchester. The judges were particularly impressed by the work of the players in the Bands and Duets sections.

Winner of the Solo Championship Section was Mr. Harry Duckworth, of Blackburn, and the second place was taken by Miss Rita Naylor, of Darwen, who thus qualify to represent their area on Accordion Day on November 12. Third place in this section was won by Mr. Frank Conroy, of Bury, near Bolton.

Prizewinners in the other sections were—Intermediate: 1. Rita Naylor, of Darwen; 2. Barbara Farmer, of Petergate, and Petergate; 3. Peter Butcliffe, of Hyde. Junior: 1. F. Wilde and C. Nield, of Dewsbury, Manchester; 2. Lawrence Jackson and Peter Owen of Lydiate; 3. "Billy and Peter," of Hyde.

In the Open Bands Section, first place was taken by W. Watson and his band, of Huddersfield, near Manchester; second place by the Denton Accordion Band, conducted by W. Hunter; and third place by the Manchester Accordion Band conducted by D. Murtagh. There was only one entry in the Elementary Bands Section, which was the Staveley Accordion Band, of Kidderminster; and for the Intermediate Band Section, Douglas Phillips, of Accrington, Lancashire. Both of these bands were awarded a special £2 prize given by Mr. J. Renfrew, for obtaining 80 per cent marks.

**Musical Express Critic Steve Race, with Cameraman Hanlon at**

# THE JAZZ JAMBOREE

at The Gaumont State Theatre, Kilburn, London on Sunday October 9th



Ken Mackintosh and his Band.



Jack Jackson and Al Burnett (composers) caught rehearsing jazz.



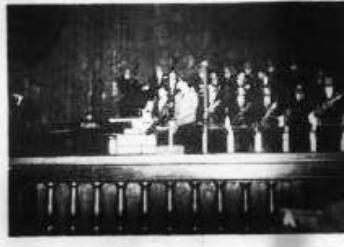
A section of the audience (Malcolm Mitchell seen at front of picture).



Paul Fenouillet assists the stage hands with his set-up.



Ray Ellington and Coleridge Goode performing "I Didn't Know The Gun Was Loaded" with which the Quartet stepped off the show.



The Tito Burns Sextet and Vic Lewis Orchestra photographed together during the finale.

made a considerable hit with the London public. A vocal discography of Ken's Kenny Bardeleben and his band is to be recorded.

You Are Too Beautiful against an orchestral background which delighted audiences greeted the two numbers with great enthusiasm, but would have had most vocalists crying for mercy. Kenny Bardeleben is very definitely a find. As a conductor he is a far cry afterwards. "Another Alan Dean coming up?" Outstanding for me, apart from the customary "I'm not your baby" and Ray Ellington's Quartet. Ray soon found the entertainment went to Tito Burns and their contributions were outstanding.

This was what was once referred to in Parliament as a "formidably ineffectual."

Unquestionably the greatest band of the day went, as I say, to the Deep River Boys. The Deep River Boys' best playing was the great modern drumming of Hobby Kevin; an enormous asset to any band, and one of the highlights of the Jambo.

Jamboree would be all the more successful if the audience was more

interested and more interested in the absence from the Lewis presentation of Mark Fenouillet. Other bands seemed to have had good effect, and we would have been willing to forgive some of the progressive numbers for the pleasure of hearing Mark. Finally after all, was the programme.

Freddy Randall and his Band, having travelled from Manchester by every conceivable means, carried on with good Dixieland jazz.

The essentially intimate quality of the group was rather handicapped by the fact that it was

especially as it was placed so far back from the footlights. Jack Jackson's first half hour was his own creation, his introduction of the dog and trumpet routine, and the sural

underrated band acquitted itself well, ending with a furious and were particularly clever.

Al Burnett took over the job of compering the second half.

"Paul and I are the only ones that are silent," he said, "and the T is silent. Al

is working intentionally without a pianist, played very well. Cab Kaye, who has been a

regular guest to any stage band, seemed rather wasted on "All

The Things You Are" when he

had made such a fine impression

as a boy vocalist. Paul did

a courageous thing in taking

De Falta's "Ritual Fire

Dance" not even in

the beginning of the show.

He did it well.

Landy made an exquisite job of Gershwin's "Someone To Watch Over Me."

Tito Burns and his Sextet were

realized that this was what the audience really wanted.

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more to be done, but the band

was well worth the time spent

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Freddy Foster proved once again that he is a master of showmanship. Throughout the Jamboree, bandleaders, after having announced their numbers, had to withdraw. Not so Freddy Foster, whose announcements were extremely well thought out, though they give the air of spontaneity.

Making their first London appearance, Ken Mackintosh and his band acquitted themselves extraordinarily well. Their excellent band presentation was enough though they give the air of spontaneity.

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