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SKYROCKETS WILL ELEGANTLY PALLADIUM CONTRACT HAS BEEN RENEWED

Woof Phillips is returning to be conductor under special contract

FOLLOWING THE SENSATIONAL RUMOURS CONCERNING THE SKYROCKETS ANNOUNCED EXCLUSIVELY IN MUSICAL EXPRESS LAST WEEK...

While there was discussion regarding Woof Phillips, who recently left the Skyrockets...

During the past few weeks, since Phillips left the Palladium, the Skyrockets have been ably conducted by leader of the string section, Stanley Andrews...

MITCHELL TRIO FOR NEW BUCHANAN SHOW

SINCE THEIR RETURN FROM THE CONTINENT THE POPULAR MALCOLM MITCHELL TRIO HAVE HAD SUCCESS AFTER SUCCESS...

The group will, in addition to playing the overture, be featured in two ten-minute spots to be acts of the play...

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TOO-WHIT TOO-WHOD I've only just started But I'm on my way up!

JOHNSTON LEAVING SUN MUSIC

JOHNNY JOHNSTON, MANAGER AND A DIRECTOR OF "SUN" MUSIC COMPANY, WILL SHORTLY BE LEAVING THE AT FLOURISHING SUBSIDIARY OF FRANCIS, DAY & HUNTER...

CARPENTER IN ICE PANTO

PAUL CARPENTER will be appearing with Ted Heath at the Spring Season this Sunday at the Palladium...

JO STAFFORD DISK JOCKEY ON RADIO LUXEMBOURG

GREAT NEWS FOR HER MANY FANS IN THIS COUNTRY IS THE FACT THAT VOCALIST JO STAFFORD WILL COMMENCE HER OWN DISK JOCKEY PROGRAMME TO BE HEARD OVER RADIO LUXEMBOURG, EVERY WEDNESDAY.

BURNS CONTRACT EXTENDED

TUFO BURNS and his Music, who were scheduled to continue their engagement at the Winter Palace at the end of December, have, due to their popularity, had a further extension...

Now watch me sweep the country! SNOWY WHITE SNOW AND JINGLE BELLS

VIDEO

Musical Express photographer Hanson paid a visit to Alexandra Palace last Monday and took those colorful pictures of that Sun singer, Leo Pule and the sensational Anton Karas playing his famous "Happy Lied Theme" for television.



GELLER RECORDS STAR PANTO

BILL ELLIOTT INFORMS US THAT FOLLOWING HAROLD GELLER'S SUCCESSFUL RECORDING DEBUT FOR COLUMBIA LAST MONTH, HAROLD HAS ALREADY FOLLOWED THIS UP WITH ANOTHER PERSONAL SUCCESS.

LEWIS BAND

This Saturday, December 4, Vic Lewis and his Band will play at a dance being held by the East London F.E.Y. The dance is being held at Woburn House and admission is free.

NEW YEAR'S EVE AIR DATE FOR PREAGER

LAST WEEK LOU PREAGER AND HIS BAND COMMENCED ANOTHER SERIES OF FOUR CONSECUTIVE SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE DATES AND ON NEW YEAR'S EVE THE BAND WILL BE HEARD AT 11-11.40 P.M.

CHANGE IN ROWBERRY BAND

THE 1948 National Dance Band Champions of Great Britain, Arthur Rowberry and his Orchestra, with Lesley and the Don Savage Quartette, are now a resident establishment for the third season at Sunnyside, Stables Ballroom, playing to regular capacity.

Hawkins for Feldmans?

The Feldman Club inform us that arrangements have been made for the 1949-50 season to come to England but will definitely appear at the Club on Monday, December 11. Last week The Lenox Roy band made their second successful appearance there and Muriel Giffin, famous coloured singer, was present.

BIG PROGRAMMES FOR PETER YORKE

ON CHRISTMAS EVE IN THE B.B.C.'S CHRISTMAS CAVALCADE PETER YORKE AND HIS ORCHESTRA WILL BE HEARD IN AN HOUR'S PROGRAMME TO BE COMPILED BY DONALD PEEBLES...

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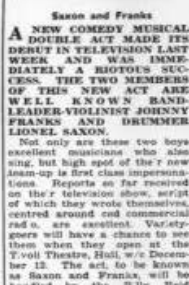
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C.B.S. SIGNS ALL RIGHTS TO MOVIE TALK

By CHICK MADISON
The Columbia Broadcasting System has entered into an arrangement with Al Jolson...



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Manuscript Acquired by Library of Congress

The original, hand-written manuscript copy of Aaron Copland's musical score for William Wyler's 'The Heiress'...

NOT WANTED! Leo Lippin's new production introduces two new musical numbers, 'Blue Velvet Waltz' and 'Jet'...

They are played in the film by Leo Penn, a young actor who has been selected by the producers...

EDDY HOWARD'S orchestra will play a 12-day date at the Dealer-Wallick Hotel in Columbus, Ohio...

BEN GAGE, husband of Esther Williams, is singing nightly at the Rialto Restaurant...

DINK JOCKEYS in Miami just sent vocal star Doris Day a glowing postcard...

JOHNIE BURKE and James Van Heusen, who tailor the tunes for most Bing Crosby hits...

MARY HAYES and her husband, Dorothy Kirsten, the Merry Macs and a huge choir...

JACKIE GLEASON, the 'Life of Riley' video headliner, will also provide the Hollywood scene...

Behind the American Musical Scene (2)

BOP CITY

by Howard Lucreft
AUTHOR'S NOTE
Since writing of the George Shearing outfit, Denzil Best has left and has been replaced by Jimmy Dee

I think that a few words here about Bop City itself would be of interest. It is in the heart of Broadway at 67th Street...

Bop City claim about 15,000 customers a week and these are not the kind of customers who support anything in the nature of Dance Music except, perhaps, the records...

At Bop City the second week was Dixie Gillespie and Fred (Saxen) Braun, a rhythmically minded duo...

However, Gillespie has now left Bop City and has gone into the Capitol Records 'Reform School'...

Following Gillespie we heard Dinah Washington in some pleasant singing of popular songs...

The biggest applause I ever heard at Bop City came for the next act—The Merry Macs...

Just before I left England I recorded at Decca with my four original male trio...

50 dollars Editor), while Leonard Feather, who has been a gentleman with all right voices...

handstander on his next week's M.C.M. radio program 'Jazz at the Best'...

During this period I had my first introduction to American radio, which I will describe in a future column...

Malcolm Rayment
THESE odd things about much of the music written in the Spanish idiom is that much of the best of it has been written by Spanish composers...

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THE VOICE

ELECTIONS
THE London District Branch of the Musicians' Union has announced the pending Election of Officers...

INTERNATIONAL
MUSIC is, of itself, international. It is the one language understood by all peoples, races and creeds throughout the world...

EXTREME MUSIC
OFTEN someone would be short if we could not remember the practice of music being banned as exemplary of 'Jewish Degeneracy'...

THE TOWER OF BABEL
POLITICAL, racial and international hatred are exemplified in the famous legend of the Tower of Babel...

CONNIE HAINES has written the lyrics to a melody by Sylvia Calabrese of Minneapolis, titled 'In Love with Love'...

JACK SMITH will devote weekends, beginning in February, to special one-night concerts at the Grand Opera House...

ALAN JONES and his actress-wife, Irene Hervey, will appear in a new production...

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★ BACKSTAGE ★ with Eddie Hewson

SOMETHING SENSATIONAL in the way of seasonal production will be presented at the Cambridge Theatre, London...

VAL PARNELL will present his second Palladium pantomime 'Flora and Ulysses'...

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MOSE EMPIRES celebrate their Golden Jubilee. December 15 marks fifty years of incorporation under one Charter...

LUPINO LANE plans to re-open the Palladium Theatre daily starting in 1946. His policy is to reacquaint all the glamour of the Grand Old Lady...

K-P ROWS
NEW VAUGHAN RECORDS
A SMILE FROM A STRANGER

THE WINDMILL SONG
THE FROGZEE AND THE FLYZEE
MIAMI BEACH RUMBA

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SO ENDS MY SEARCH FOR A DREAM... WHILE THE ANGELUS WAS RINGING... I LOVE YOU SO MUCH

MARK PASQUIN LEAVES THE VIC LEWIS ORCHESTRA

MARK PASQUIN, popular young vocalist with the Vic Lewis Orchestra, announces that he is shortly to be leaving the orchestra...

CHOPIN AS HE SHOULD BE PLAYED

By Malcolm Raymont. HELINA STEFANSKA, one of the two first prize winners of the Chopin Competition...

MAX ROSTAL IN B.B.C. CONCERT. THE B.B.C. Symphony Concert will be given at the Albert Hall on Wednesday, November 23...

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AROUND THE JAZZ CLUBS with Norman C. Allen

'The Birds Nest' SOME of the lightest, brightest music ever played at a London jazz club was heard by the adventurous spirits...

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ENTERPRISING CONCERT BY MORLEY COLLEGE

This Morley College Concert, which was held at the Central Hall, Westminster, on Friday, November 25, was a most successful variety of music...

GORDON HAS CAR STOLEN

WITHIN two weeks of having his car returned in working order after a car crash, Gordon has had his car stolen...

NEW BOP CLUB OPENING

Harry Klein and Sonny Rose. Alto-axist Harry Klein and vocalist-competer, Sonny Rose are starting a new jazz club...

HARRY LEADER WANTS TWO EIGHT PIECE BANDS FOR SUMMER SEASON

Harry Leader, who is now in the States, has arranged for two eight piece bands to be sent to him for the summer season...

TOP TEN

- 1 You're Breaking My Heart. 2 I don't see Me In Your Eyes. 3 Harry Lime Theme. 4 Confidentially. 5 Forever & Ever. 6 Wedding Samba. 7 Hop Scotch Polka. 8 Leotard Square. 9 I'm String Along With You. 10 Careless Hands.

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SOUND TRACK

plunger trumpet, and develops into a pretty original twelve-bar blues. It's pretty hot...

BRITONS ON BROADWAY

George Enesco. The first years of German occupation of France was marked with a little measure of gloom and pain...

SPANISH IDIOM

Widening. Pop Post and Betty Bechet join Sullivan for 'Got it and Gone'. Bechet is an artist through and through...

QUEBEC CONCERTO

LIBERATION. The Quebec Concerto, conducted by the Quebec Orchestra, will be given at the Royal Albert Hall...

HARRY GOLD'S FUTURE DATES

HARRY GOLD and his Pieces of Eight, engagements during the next few weeks include the following: December 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31...

BACKSTAGE

league Lee Conway is 'P.C.B.' and that show is likely to give valuable hints to performers. Brian Beever, that excellent pianist who seems to be a regular on the 'Top' may go into variety with a single product a success, for Beever is a very experienced artist.

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