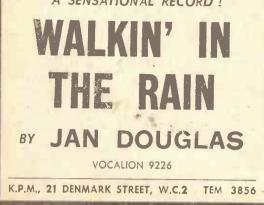
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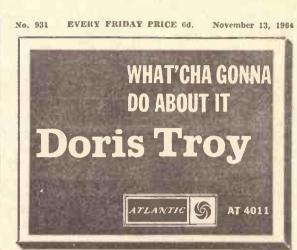
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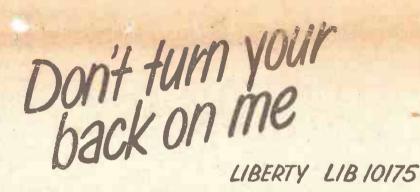
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NME COVERS TWO BIG EVENTS OF THE WEEK ---SUPREMES make history **★** BEATLES next album

"THEY'RE number one !" I said. Apart from the crackle on the line, there was silence. Then a gasp. Then : "That's WONDERFUL ! Just tremendous !" And in the Tamla-Motown offices, Mrs. Esther Edwards, vice-president of the company, shouted to the people nearest her : "They've made it ! They've really made it !"

The Supremes, one of the label's hottest groups, this week take over the No. 1 slot of the NME Chart and I was telling America about it (writes Cordell Marks).

The line crackled again and Esther Edwards, who has one of those marvellous American inflections in which all the emphasis is placed on the vowels, said: "What can I say? They've made number one in the 'Cash Box' chart this week, so it's a simultaneous hit both sides of the Atlantic. I'm told it makes pop history—the first time an all-girl group has topped both charts simultaneously."

"Berry Gordy will probably break the good news from Britain to them when he comes in soon. He likes giving his antists all the good news. (It was just after 11 am in Detroit, Michigan, and four o'clock in the afternoon in foggy London).

"The Supremes have waited a long time for this. We've had them on our label getting on for five years now and they're going to be so thrilled with the news."

The 'phone crackled some more and Esther Edwards said: "Do you want to come in on this Al?" and a voice said yes, he did.

"I've got AL Abrams with me," explained Esther. "He's working on publicity for the group at the moment."

"Hello, Al speaking," he said. "Thanks for the news. I must see their faces when Berry tells them. There's gonna be some celebrating to do I We will have some sort of party in the office here !"

"Can I tell NME readers what the

STAR QUOTE

A QUOTE from Bobby Vinton: "I'm the most unknown success in show busi-ness. In the last two years I'm ness. In the last two years I'm the only male singer whose records have sold 8,000,000 copies, but nobody knows it. Sometimes I walk into an agent's office and he asks me who I am and what I've done. It's a little disheartening, but I've learned to expect it." expect it,"



TELEGRAM FROM DETROIT

ALL HERE AT TAMLA-MOTOWN HEADED BY BERRY GORDY, JUNIOR, EXTREMELY EXCITED AND HAPPY OVER HISTORY-MAKING SUCCESS OF OUR SUPREMES' "BABY LOVE," NO. 1 IN BRITAIN'S NME CHART AND IN U.S. CHARTS. DIANA, MARY AND FLORENCE UNSUPRESSINGLY JUBILANT AND THANKFUL. ESTHER EDWARDS, VICE-PRESIDENT.

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next Supremes' record is going to be?" I enquired. "Sure," said Al. "Let me see now, it's called 'Come See About Me. Isn't that right Esther?" "Sure. That's right," said Esther. "It's another one from their album 'Where Did Our Love Go?' I think you're gorna like it. "The Supremes have been real busy since they left your country. They flew back from Belgium just recently and they appeared at a convention in Chicago, followed by a trip to Hollywood, where they did one of the new electronovision films for distribution later in the

JUST three weeks from today, the new Beatles album will the accent on beat throughout. By DEREK JOHNSON

There are 14 tracks, including Lennon-McCartney eight new compositions. Numbers by Chuck Berry, Carl Perkins, Buddy Holly and the Lieber-Stoller team complete the composing credits.

complete the composing credits. These non-Beatles tracks are included for a purpose: they reflect the early years of the group because they were mostly numbers that raised screams at the Cavern in Liverpool. Nowadays, the Beatles don't get much chance to play them. The LP is overflowing with absorbing and distinctive Beatle trade-marks. Pve just been given a pre-hear of the album. Here's a brief run-down on the titles. **Indicates a Lennon-McCartney composition. No REPLY** is a melodic mid-tempo

on the Chies, "Indicates a Lemion-McCattney composition.
NO REPLY** is a melodic mid-tempo item, with tremendous thumping chords and faisettos. It's mainly a duet, but with John's vote prominent. After alternate soft passages, it suddenly explodes into violent frenzy. Can't help thinking this would're have made a great single-I know it was considered for their metropy was a single-I know it was considered for their net refease. Featuring John soloing, with the others joining in the harmony passages, it has a wistful and bluesy feel despite the pounding and infectious beat. Walling harmonics solo, too.
BARY'S IN BLACK** is a most unusual number with a shuffle rhythm. Moody with startling and unexpected chords, the lyrk has a sombre as the time inplies. Baby's in black, it seems, because "he's gone and won't come back." Rather different from what we expect of the boys.
ROCK AND ROLL MUSIC, the stand-

from what we expect of the boys. ROCK AND ROLL MUSIC, the stand-ard down-to-earth Chuck Berry rocker, showcases Paul in his more frenzied mood. This one really moves-rit's bubbling with excite-ment. The plano work is by John, Paul and George Martin. I'LL FOLLOW THE SUN** is rather more subdued, and features some positively captivating harmonies. This is John and Paul at their most tuneful. The sentiment of the lyric is blended with a hummable melody, and set to a steady and infectious rhythm. The rhythm sounds unusual here--ti's Ringo playing the top of a packing case 1 %

MR. MOONLIGHT is perhaps the most ear-catching track on the LP. It

be available in your local record store-in fact, it will be a case of "Beatles For Sale" on December 4. And, believe me, the latest package from the Liverpool quartet is worth every penny asked. It's rip-roaring, infectious stuff, with

has a predominantly earthy sound, with John blues-shouting in pas-sages, with forceful and raucous ensemble vocalising off-seting his solo. Organ, which takes a solo half-way through, adds to the fullness-and there are some strident bass tones. Yes, this really stands out.

tones. Yes, this really stands out. KANSAS CITY, the Lieber-Stoller evergreen, needs no introduction from me. This is a completely un-inhibited performance, with screams and falsettos--the lot ! And there's ample scope for joining in with the Beatlies in the "hey-hey-hey-hey" answering-back routime. EIGHT DAYS A WEEK**, a bouncy hand-capper, drives along at a compulsive pace, aided by frantic cymbal-bashing from Ringo, which he maintains throughout. This is a typical happy John-and-Paul song, with both boys injecting a happy-go-lucky feel into the vocal.

go-incey real into the vocal. WORDS OF LOVE, a mkd-tempo har-mony vocal with a snappy beat going in the background, is the familiar Buddy Holly composition. I found it particularly outstanding for George's attractive guitar figure



Songs . . . PAUL and JOHN



Rhythm . . . RINGO and GEORGE

behind the vocal. Ringo is on conga drum this time-he's worked very hard on the LP.

hard on the LP. HONEY DON'T was written by Carl Perkins, with Ringo handling the repetitive and compulsive lyric, set to a strumming, walking-pace rhythm with electronic plucking. The girls will love Ringo's spoken in-structions to George-"Walk on, George... for Ringo'! John used to sing this.

to sing this. EVERY LITTLE THING** has a rumbling, strident backing, with reverberating drum rolls-altogether a fascinating sound, plus a catchy melody. John is prominent in the vocal, with harmony falsettos from Faud. vocal, Paul.

I DON'T WANT TO SPOIL THE PARTY** is one of my favourits tracks. The plashrive lyric beits the driving, bounding beat. It's virthe driving, bounding beat. It's vir-tually a story-in-song, performed with absorbing counter-harmonies. Here again the melody content is strong, and George is in top form. WHAT YOU'RE DOING** boarts a shattering all-enveloping sound, with Paul's voice shining through the walloping, thumping beat. The tune is not so infectious here, but it's the rhythm and overall sound which matter. EVERVBODY'S TRVING TO BE MY

EVERYBODY'S TRYING TO BE MY BABY is the Carl Perking number which you may have heard the boys work on stage. A medium-faut shaker spotlighting George as vocal-ist, as well as in solo guitar passage, it has an insistent rhythm.



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PET'S BACK in charts after two years By DAVE GILLARD

T was half-past three in the afternoon, yet the girl's voice over the telephone from Paris was decidedly drowsy. "Excuse me for being so sleepy," she said apologetically, "but you've just woken me up. I'm in bed."

The girl-our own Petula Clark-was soon very wide awake when told her that "Downtown" had burst into the NME Chart at No. 21 this week.

"Is it really that high?" she asked incredulously. "Oh, that's marvellous. I knew in my heart, that "Downtown ' was hit protection."

heart, that 'Downtown' was hit material. But getting into the British charts so soon is really a wonderful surprise." As soon as Pet had recovered from her initial joyful surprise. I decided to find out, as tact-fully as possible, why she was in bed in the middle of the afternoon. I was just think-ing how to phrase the question delicately when she said: "You must be wondering what on earth I'm doing in bed at this hour of the day!" I admitted I was. Pet ex-

I admitted I was. Pet ex-plained: "You see I didn't get to bed until the early hours of the morning—I was singing at a festival at Rennes which didn't finish until 2 am. Rennes is quite a way from Paris, and, on top of that, the weather was bad. was bad.

"Goodness knows what time I arrived home, but I what must have been terribly tired or you wouldn't have had to wake me at this time !"

wake me at this time !" I asked after her family. "They're fabufous, really fabulous," she said. "Claud (her husband) is at the office now and our two little girls are at home with me. I'm the only lazy one today, though, and I fully expect to see the girls rush into my bed-room any moment now !"

Pet recorded "Downtown" Britain less than a month ago.

It marks Pet's first British chart entry since August 1962, when she had "Ya Ya Twist."

Credit

She lays most of the credit for Downtown " at the feet of Pye's -and-r man Tony Hatch.

"Tony came over to Paris some weeks ago with some songs for me to record," she recalled. "Most of them were French songs, but of the English omes he had the only one I liked was "Downlown," which is Tony's own composition.

"At that time all be had was the melody but I said right away that I thought it was fantastic. I told Tony that if he could write some lyrics for it before I came over, I'd love to re-cord it. And, biess him, he did !" Tony didn't only write the lyrics and the melody, he did the arrange-ments and managed the session as well.

"About the only thing he didn't do was sing. The Breakways backed me up there," said the modest Potula.

Atthough Pet has been in Britain recently she didn't have time to plug "Downtown" as much as she would have tiked.

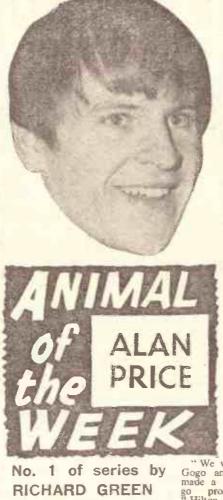
"I left Eritain just over a week ago but I'H be back for a 'Thank Your Lucky Stars' at the end of this month.

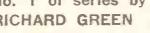
"I wen't be able to come before as I must tour Switzerland and have an hour-long show for French TV to rehearse and tape, too." In the TV show Pet ballet dances and plays the plano as well as sings !

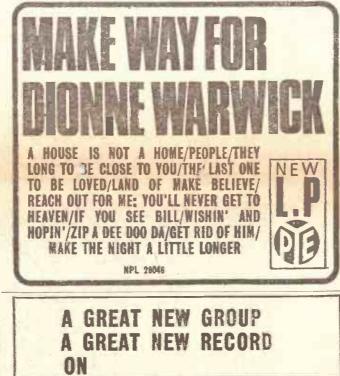
"The only disappointment I had during my recent stay was not being able to feature "Downtown" on the 'Eamonn Andrews Show'," she said.

"But it was impossible—I hadn't even recorded it then and I was in from Venice for the show on the Sun-day. Flew back to France again on the Monday to fulfil commitments. Back to Britato on the Tuesday to record "Downtown"—then off to France again, then back to Britath on the Thursday











Produced by Andrew Loog Oldham

WITH the r-and-b scene being what it is in Britain today, it's very confusing for a novice to have to listen to almost every new group trying to play that kind of music. Nobody can learn that way.

But from countries the world over has come acclaim for a British group which is said to get closer to the authentic blues sound than any other white outfit—the Animals.

"Basically, we are happy that we are as near to a blues sound, for an English group, as we can get," Alan Price agreed. "We have studied the roots and the balanced programme we play contains about thirty or forty years of the blues."

On the particular night I spoke to Alan, the Animals' programme included Howlin' Wolf's "Smokestack Lightning," Bo Diddley's "Road Runner," the traditional "House Of The Rising Sun" and their current hit, "I'm Crying."

Alan always wanted to be a musician. Even in school, his thoughts lay mostly in that direction. He had a skiffle group, being inspired, of course, by Lonnie Donegan. "I got four GCE's in the summer and left school, but I didn't word to work no L want had to school and got another subject "

want to work, so I went back to school and got another subject," he recalled. "I left in January when everyone else was slogging away, but I didn't work until March. I let my family support me.

me." Somebody suggested to Alan that the Civil Service was a good thing so be became—of all things—an Income Tax officer! "I was never any good at it," he admitted, " but I just stayed there for four and a half years just drawing my salary and that." By this time, Alan had known Chas Chandler, Eric Burdon and John Steel for a few years. He had been playing with them all on and offi all on and off.

"We'd leave different groups and join others and now and then we'd find one another in the same group," he said as he sipped a pint of bitter. "It was a fluctuating scene, people'd keep moving about and never stay in one group for long." Alan, Chas and John formed a modern jazz trio, with Alan playing the piano. Eric went along to the odd gig to sing with them, but it wasn't a very regular thing.

"The policy changed from modern jazz which was very bluesbased to r-and-b. The jazz scene, the r-and-b scene and the rock 'n' roll scene were very close, everybody knew each other," Alan pointed out. "The scene up there was very similar to the dance band scene where musicians trot about from one band to another all the time."

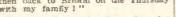
A chap called Nigel Stanger, now a University graduate, was playing tenor sax with Alan's group for a time, then he left.

playing tenor sax with Alan's group for a time, then he left. "We were playing at the Club A Gogo and the Downbeat and we made a decision we were going to made a decision we were going to thinking Alan was lonely. go professional," Alan stated. "Hilton was playing with us and we had the right group. We stayed there for three and a half months and then came down to London for a week. "We got enough bookings to come back in January this year-and we've stayed here ever since." Alan, as a bloke and not as a musician, is sometimes difficult to make out. Quite often, even at parties, he'll stand by himself and Olympic Drinking Team."



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Writh my failing: But that's how it is these days for Pertuia-she's in demand all over the world. Even though she's not a regular name in British charts these days, she's been in continental charts from Scandinavia to Spain. "But," she concluded, "It's SO nice to be 'in' again at home."

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WHY JIM REEVES WILL LIVE ON IN BRITAIN

JUST how long is the current Jim Reeves' cult, which has intensified to an incredible degree since his untimely death, likely to continue? The answer, I suspect, is simple -just as long has his stockpile of recordings lasts. And since there seems to be ample supplies upon which to draw, it looks as though Jim is likely to be figuring in the charts for quite a few years to come.

One of the reasons why we shall be able to perpetuate his memory almost indefinitely is to be found in the policy adopted by RCA-Britain in the release of his singles. During the past few years, the issue of Reeves' singles in this country has never coincided with those in America. This is because over here RCA, in the person of Pat Campbell, has selected tracks from his various albums for release as singles—tracks which Pat

albums for release as singles-tracks which Pat regarded as more suited to the British market than much of his outright c-and-w material which was being issued in the States.

issued in the States. How right he was can be judged by the fact that, this year, Jim is the fourth best-selling disc artist in Britain—next only to the Beatles, Bachelors and Rolling Stones. This, of course, also makes him the top-selling American artist in Britain. And all on the strength of three LP tracks subsequently released as singles—"I Love You Because," "I Won't Forget ie Following

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by DEREK JOHNSON

Jacobs stirred up something of a controversy by stating that he wished the record had not been re-leased. "It seems that, when an artist dies, the first line of his next release directly reflects upon his death," said David in so many words.

se, the opening line is "Sometimes there is an accumulation of these they ask me if I'm really happy itiles available to us, too. So we're leases for quite a while! When "There's A Heattache", was played on BBC-1's "Juke Box Jury"—on which it was voted aunanimous "hit," of course—David Jacobs stirred up something of a

But I don't honestly believe that it applies to the new Jim Reeves' single.

"I tried to be specially careful in Now, I'm not quite sure what he picking a song which had no associa-was getting at. For, in this particular tion with Jim's death," Pat Campbell the

assured me. "In fact, shortly alter he died, I was heavily pressurised into releasing Jim's 'This World Is Not My Home.' But I refused, adamantly! The idea revolted me-and I'm glad to say that RCA sup-ported me."

e naw." Most minds would never link that with the tragic events of a few months back. After all, this is a simple tale of a fellow's lost love, who will nevertheless always be remembered. I think what David was really con-demning is the deliberate cashing-in on tragedy, which does sometimes occur—and I'm wholeheartedly with him in deploring this attitude. But I don't honestly believe that

Dusty's storm in private !

DUSTY SPRINGFIELD—who celebrates her first anniversary as a solo singer this week-whipped up a storm in a hidden corner at "Ready, Steady, Go" studios at the weekend.

Martha and the Vandellas were swaying through "Dancing In The Street" and Dusty, who followed the girls six times a day in New York recently, knew the song by heart !

Dusty had spoken to me previously about her new record, Losing You "-now No. 18 in the NME Chart.

"It doesn't matter it being in the chart. I'd still like it even if it hadn't made it," she said firmly. "At first I had my doubts. But I always do ! "

TAPED HERSELF UP!

She rushed out of the dressing room for a moment and came back with a sticky strip of Sellotape-very sticky-with which she adjusted the hem of her skint. "What the eye doesn't see," she grinned.

"Losing You" was written by brother Tom Springfield and Clive Westlake, specially for her. It fulfils Tom Springfield's ambition-to write a hit number for his sister.

Westlake, specially lor her. It fullins Tom Springheld's ambition-to write a hit number for his sister. Then she continued: "They're SO nerve racking. Concerts and TV shows are relatively easy. But recording sessions—they're permanent I keep thinking to myself. If I make a mistake then ft's going to be on the record forever, and everybody will hear it and there work be a thing I can do to change it. "One day I'm roing to do some of my own recording. I've got definito and varied ideas of sounds and things that I want to achieve, I'd like to see if they work out. That's in the future though. Juin's singing and mourning his pass-ing, interspersed with extracts from some of his most popular sourds, supplies like mad. They it co being against this type of thing on principle, I must admint that it's quite tastefully done and will doubtless sell in even larger quantities — though personally, I's a personal ambition really. No should have preferred the songs with-out the monologue. "To snice a nu nusolicited tribute

should have preferred the songs with-out the monologue. One sincere and unsolicited tribute to Jim came from his own city of Now, inevitably, c o m c s "Tribute To Jim Reeves," by Larry Cunningham and the Mighty Avons. It's on the smaller King lalel, but he company tells me that they've

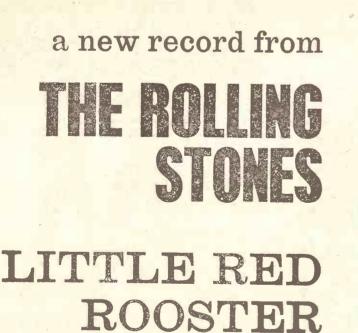


graphed or talk, either. Reason is a book is to be published concerning Jim Reeves' life story and including pictures of Mary Reeves.

But Mary Reeves sent her thanks to the NME for its cover-age on her late husband and her thanks to all fans.

JOHN ROPER, the photo-Grapher who took pictures for NME in New York last month, reports from Nashville that Jim Reeves' widow, Mary, declined from having her picture taken or talking about Jim.

None of his staff, still retained in the firm, would be photo-









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Stones and Hermits can't go W

THE eagerly awaited Stones' (right) follow-up proves to be a slow 12-bar blues in the familiar pattern-in each verse, the second line repeats the first, with the pay-off in the third line. I have to admire Mick Jagger's authentic feel as he propounds the tale of "Little Red Rooster " (Decca).

What makes it so colourful is the throbbing and pulsating backing—with electronic plucking gim-micks, a reverberating bass, and a steadily strumming shuffle rhythm. Brilliantly recorded, too! If it wasn't the Stones, I wouldn't give it much hope, 'cos it's not all that commercial—but advance orders already guarantee a material Another beautiful

orders already guarantee a massive hit.

Tempo speeds to a pounding mid-tempo for "Off The Hook," featur-ing some effective guitar work and a plodding, compulsive beat.

DAVE BERRY A wistful rockaballad which savours strongly of "The Crying Game" — not surprising, as it's written by the same composer, Geoff Stephens—is Dave Berry's follow-up on Decca. Titled "One Heart Between Two," it features Dave dual-tracking on echo, with an intriguing arrange ment — ear-catching muled guilars, tinkling celeste effect, and whispering chanting. It's humanble code it to the charts." Gene's own composition "Aladdin's Lamp" is a medium twister with ehanting girls and novel: y vocal gim-micks. A happy bounce on this side. Guess what ? The Spector sound has now acquired thunder and pouring rain ! We hear them throughout the Romettes" "In The Rain" (London), at the humanble code it to the charts."

thing cleast check, and whispering chanting. It's hummable, and ideal for check-to-check dancing. Don't think it will do quite so well as the last one, but it's very nearly as good. Solo voice insistent rocker "You're Gonna Need Somebody" has a pounding, insistent beat, and a more raucous approach by Dave.

GENE PITNEY Another beautiful ballad from State-side's Gene Pitney. "I'm Gonna Be Strong " is meaningfully rendered from the heart-an outstanding per-formance by this fine artist. Opening quietly but builds steadily-climaxing as a big belter in dual-track. Melodically meaty, too. A couple of years ago, this would have been adjudged "too good for the charts."

Guess what ? The Spector sound has now acquired thunder and pouring rain ! We hear them throughout the Reneties' " In The Rain" (London), and they become a trifle tedious. Otherwise, it's typical Spector stuff-strumming, thumping, rumbling back-ing with tambourines prominent. The girls stick to the soloist-plus-chanting formula in this tuneful song. Slower than most of their items. Guess what again ? No instrumental on the 'B' side this time ! "How Does It Feel" is an up-tempo raver with castanets. Pretty exciting!



Singles by Derek Johnson

FOUR SEASONS

Bob Gaudio, who dreamed up "Rag Don," was also responsible for "Big Man In Town," and it's not difficult to tell this though the new one by the Four Seasons is not quite so distinctive. The familiar counter-harmonies and contrapuntal effects are there again, plus Frankle Valli's ultra-high pitched tonces. It's a chugging beat. "Liftle Angel" is an undle-tinguished mid-tempo song, given sparkle by the group's starting vocal blends. On Philips.

TOMMY TUCKER

Two minuses make a plus, they say. And r-and-b star Tommy Tucker demonstrates it in "Oh | What A Freeling" (London). It has a weak melody and a poor lyric (sample: "my liver starts to quiver"), yet somehow it adds up to a pleasant sound—thanks meiniy to Tom's infectious delivery, and the mid-tempo beat. A pleasing overall sound—but don't analyse it ! Chanting group and organ are added for "Wine Bottles." The rhythm's so monotonous, it could be blue-beat.

chorus-to a medium-fast shake tempo Chorus-to a medium-fast shake tempo. Certainly a tremendous sound, com-plete with screams and a solid beat but the melodic content is not very strong, I doubt if this will restore him. Stomping insidious martial beat for "The Iguana," with Mexican-type brass and passages of Eddy's inimitable guitar. Quite dramatic!

SOUNDS INC.

SOUNDS INC. A hectic, frenzled breath-taking pace for the rock adaptation of the "William Tell" Overture by Sounds Inc. You'll have to be really energetic to dance to it. The Piltdown Men had a hit with this a few years back, and they did it better. This new version night find favour with the younger element, who don't remember the previous hit. Sounds are capable of better thingst Slower-paced instrumental with an insidious haunting quality, "Bullets" showcases the group to excellent advantage. Columbia label.

RORY STORM

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ADOPTING a similar format to their first smash hit-with

Herman taking the solo, and the Hermits chanting at the end of each phrase—the Manchester group again chooses a Goffin-King composition "Show Me Girl" (Columbia). Set to a jog-trotting, happy-go-lucky, bouncy beat, it's catchy with a cheerful sound, and a pleasant vocal blend from the boys.

though.

Two **BIG** songs for Christmas from ROY ... A FTER a big choral opening, Roy Orbison takes up the simple message of "Pretty Paper" (London). An easy going jog trotter, set to a slowly swaying and relaxed pace, it has a simply constructed sing-along chorus in which we'll be joining this Christmas. A little too mounful for the

this Christmas. A little too mournful for the festive season, and I can't rate this as one of Roy's best. But with his popularity, it'll be a big hit, of course. Even slower is the smoochy, dreamy and sentimental ballad "Summersong." Backing has a gentle lilt, but is rather dated.

and **BRENDA**

A contrast from little Brenda Lee! The lyrics of her seasonal offering "Christmas Will Be Just Another Lonely Day" are plain-tive-but you'd never guess it from the rhythm and overall feel of this Brunswick disc. A mid-tempo shaker, there's a chanting group, cascading strings, walkop-ing drums and a whistleable tune. May not be quite so successful as Roy's offering. But for my money I'd rather have Brenda's disc in my Christmas stocking. Highly original treatment of the Yubetide standard "W in t er wonderland" has double-tune shuffle rhythm, pizzicato strings

shuffle rhythm, pizzicato strings

CONNIE FRANCIS Climbing out of her rather mournful

Only drawback is that the material itself is basically not so strong as their recent chart-topper.

A hit, yes-but not another No. 1.

Herman appealingly handles the lyric of medium shaker "I Know Why," with subdued background harmonies. A fairly ordinary song,

Climbing out of her rather mournful rut, Connie Francis tries a mid-tempo shaker with chanting group, ratillag tambdurine and a few dual-trapk passages, "Don't Ever Leave Me" (MGM). Has a wistful quality, but that's in the timbre of her volce rather than in the song — not great material, but she'll be back in the reckoning if she slicks to this modern kick. Easy going, relaxed, casual-pace jog-trotter-that's "Waiting For Me." Country styled, with tinking piano and background vocal group.

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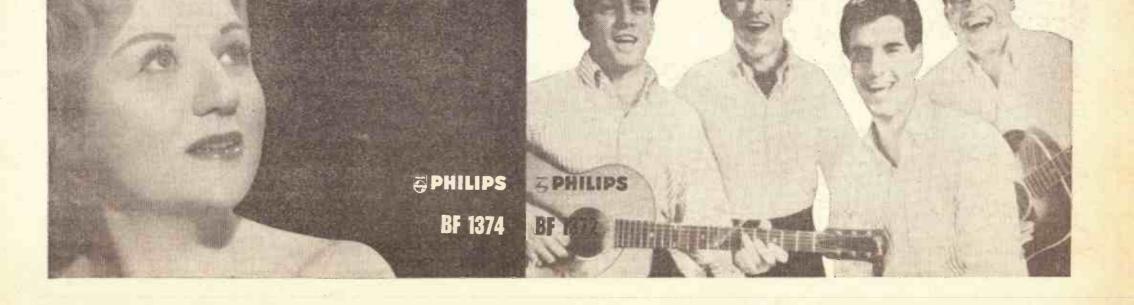
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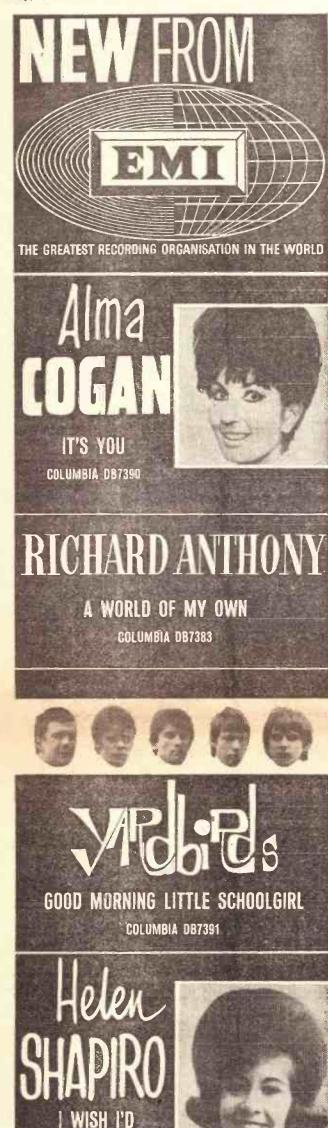
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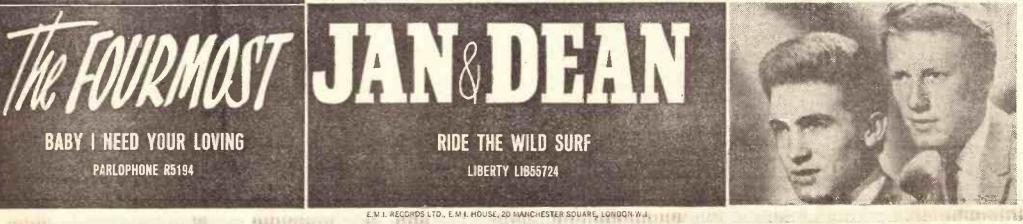
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at Stones' fans!

ED. SULLIVAN is storming at Rolling

report. "I promise you they'll never be back

on our show," he is reported as saying by Tom Mackin in the "Newark Evening News."

Tom Mackin in the "Newark Evening News." Reason was not so much the Stones, but the reaction of the teenagers in the audience, who creamed and went wild during their act. Sullivan is quoted as saying: "If things can't be handled, we'll stop the whole business. We won't book any more rock 'n' roll groups and we'll ban teenagers from the theatre if we have to. "Frankly, I didn't see the group (Rolling Stones) until the day before the broadcast. They were recommended to me by my scouts in England. I was shocked when I saw them. "Now the Dave Clark Five were nice fellows. They are gentlemen and they performed well. I think the kids in the audience acted all right. "It took me 17 years to build this show. I'm not going to have it destroyed in a matter of weeks." Reporter Mackin also quotes Sullivan as saying: "I don't think I'll have the Beatles again. I can no longer afford them."

Stones' fans, according to a U.S. newspaper

No more rock warning-

SCREENING dates have been fixed for the Bachelors ABC-TV series. The remaining venues for their Spring tour are set. The Irish trio is booked for thirteen Sunday concerts in Blackpool and Bournemouth next summer. The title of the Bachelors' next record has also been revealed.

ABC will screen the first edition of the hour-long "Bachelors Show" on Monday, January 23. The two others will be shown on the following Mondays. The trio's next single features

STONES, ZOMBIES IN U.S. TOP TEN Sullivan rages

THE Zombies and the Rolling

THE Zombies and the Rolling Stones enter next week's Top Ten in "Cashbox," cables Nat Hentoff. The Zombies' "She's Not There" comes in at 7 (last week 12) and the Stones' "Time Is On My Side " 10 (15). And Matt Monro inakes a first-time entry with "Walk Away" at No. 89. The Dave Clark Five's "Any Way You Want It." comes in for the first time at No. 62. So does Chad Stewart and Jeremy Clyde's "Willow Weep For Me" at 80. Records going up, with this week's position in brackets, are the Kinks' "You Really Got Me" 8 (10), Her-man's Hermits' "Im Into Something Good " 19 (28), the Searchers' "When You Walk In The Room" 29 (30), Manfred Mann's "Sha La La " 32 (73), Marianne Faithfull's "As Tears Go By " 60 (69), and Julie Rogers' "The Wedding" 90 (99). Going down are the Honeycombs' "Have I The Right" 6 (4), Manfred Mann's "Do Wah Diddy Diddy "17 (11), Peter and Gordon's "I Don't Want To See You Again " 24 (19), Nashville Teens' "Tobacco Road" 27 (20), the Animals' "Tm Crying" 41 (22), Gerry and the Paeemakers' "I Like It" "44 (29), Chad Stewart and Jeremy Clyde's "Summer Song" 54 (26) and the Dave Clark Five's "Everybody Knows" 58 (27).

a traditional Italian song, "No Arms Can Ever Hold You." Decca will issue it on November Mann and Kinks 27. The Bachelors begin the second half of their spring tour (the earlier dates were reported in the NME on October 9) with concerts at Blackpool ABC on April 17 and 18 followed by a week at Bristol Colston (commencing the 19th). Then they play a Sunday concert at Cardiff Capitol (25th) the night before commencing a week at Not-

at Cardiff Capitol (25th) the night before commencing a week at Not-tingham Theatre Royal. In May, they appear at Leeds O d e o n (2nd), Wolverhampton Gaumont (3rd), Leicester Odeon (4th), Derby Gaumont (5th), Don-caster Gaumont (6th), Sheffield Gaumont (7th), Bolton Odeon (8th), Newcastle City Hall (9th), and a week at Liverpool Odeon (from the 10th). A venue for May 16 has yet to

10th). A venue for May 16 has yet to be confirmed. On June 27 the Bachelors begin a fortnightly series of Sunday concerts at Blackpool Odeon playing alternate Sundays at Bournemouth Gaumont until September 19. As revealed in the NME three weeks ago, they will be resident at Great Yarmouth ABC next summer. next summer.

NEW OPENING DATE

FOR BERRY'S TOUR



Paar arrives here later this month to telerecord Judy Garland for his show which is networked in the U.S.

Tours abroad for Honeycombs

TRISH and Scandinavian tours, a Paris radio show and more British dates have all been set for

British dates have all been set for the Honeycombs. The group's Irish tour includes Enniscorthy (December 2), Lifford (3rd), Ballymena and Lisbum (4th), Donlaoghra (5th), and Newry and Edendelk (6th). On November 8, the Honeycombs will take part in a live radio show from Paris Olympia. New British dates for December are Cleethorpes Memorial Hall (14th), Scunthorpe Essoldo (15th), York Kaalko (16th), Hull Cecil (17th) and Spennymoor Rink (18th). The group will start a 10-day tour of Scandinavia on December 27.

FUK BERRY now begins CHUCK BERRY now begins days later than originally planned —on January 8. The opening will almost certainly be at Finsbury Park Astoria. Berry arrived here last Friday to complete negotiations for his tour. He was due to return to America today (Friday). Johnny Hamp, who produced the Little Richard and Jerry Lee Lewis spectaculars for Granada-TV, is hoping to feature Berry In a special programme in the New Year.

'GLAD RAG BALL' ON TV

The "Glad Rag Bail" at Wem-ley Empire Pool on November 20 bley Empire Pool on November 20 is being organised by London Stu-dents Carnival. As previously reported, Rediffusion will televise a section featuring the Rolling Stones, Animals and other stars the following Wednesday (25th).

Anka arrives

Paul Anka and his wife arrived here on Monday from Paris for a fortnight's stay to meet British com-posers and also TV producers to discuss a possible spectacular. Anka will probably return for a longer visit early next year.

Dionne waxes Bacharach with

DIONNE WARWICK will prolong her British stay to record an album under composer Burt Bacharach's direction at Pye's London studios. The LP will be issued both here and in America early in the New Year.





Two of America's major groups-London. The lads are at



Seekers will appear at Bourne

Jackie stays on

KIM JOINS GERRY TOUR

discs by Cliff Richard,

New

ron

Scots and Irish tours for Wayne

WAYNE FONTANA and the Mindbenders replace Herman's Hermits for one date on the Dusty Springfield-Brian Poole tour-at Coventry Theatre on November 29.

The Mindbenders are set for their first tours of Scotland (from January 27) and Ireland (from February 10). Both will last a

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Ella's dates Ella Fitzgerald visits ABC theatres in Belfast (20th), and Dublin (21st) during her British tour next April.

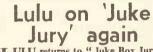
Presley film release

ABC circuit.

week. This week, the group completed its first LP for possible release before

Jackie de Shannon has extended her British stay to deputise for Marianne Faithfull on the Gerry and the Pacemakers-Gene Pitney-Kinks tour later this month at Dover (24th) and Cambridge (25th) ABCs. An EP will be issued at the end of this month featuring the group's current hit—at No. 2 in this week's

chart. Latest bookings for the group next month take it to Bridlington Spa (4th), Liverpool University (5th), Manchester Oasis (6th), Maryport Palace (11th), Castleford Kiosk (12th), Manchester Mr. Smith's (13th), Bath Pavilion (14th), Sheffield Saints (15th) and a Rothwell ball-room (16th). • "Um, Um, Um, Um, Um, Um, Um" is being rush-released in the U.S. on Smash Fontana. Kim Weston-who flew from America to appear on the abandoned P.J. Proby tour-has been added to the Gerry and the Pacemakers -Marianne Faithfull - Gene Pitney -Kinks package which opened tast Saturday. Saturday.



JULY again LULU returns to "Juke Box Jury" Lon Saturday, November 28. Jean Metcalfe is also set for this date, when comedians Eric Morecambe and Ernie Wise will make their debut in the series. Another quick return is Marianne Faithfull, who is the first guest set for December 12. Judy Garland's daughter Liza Minelh joins Alma Cogan, Peter Murray and Spike Milligan on November 21. Joe Brown is now confirmed for tomorrow's show (14th), which is completed by Carole

confirmed for tomorrow's show (14th), which is completed by Carole Carr.

week, Frank meto's latest is being issued. Both sides of Cliff and the Shadows' new Columbia discs have been written by the Shadows and are from the score of their London Palladium pantomime, "Aladdin." "Aladdin." Cliff's titles are "I Could Easily Fall (In Love With You)" and "I'm In Love With You." He is backed by the Shadows, with the Norrie Paramor Strings added on the 'B' side. The Sha dows' tracks are "Genie With

the Shadows, the Searchers and Brian Poole are set for re-lease on November 27. Next week, Frank Ifield's latest is

British Pathé. Peter and Gordon have already filmed their spot, the Four Pennies visit the studios on November 17 and 23. Working title for the film is "Parade Of The Pops." It will be released early in the New Year. The Animals are likely to be signed for it in the next Other acts have yet to be confirmed.

Groups to film

NEW DISC SIGNINGS



SAMANTHA JONES, an ex-Vernon girl, makes her solo début on United Artists in a fortnight's e. The label is usually reserved for American time. artists, but Samantha was given her recording contract on a recent visit to the States. She bows with "It's All Because Of You," which was penned by Charles Blackwell.

The next forthight sees the debut of four groups, two duos and another solo singer. The soloist, George E. Washington, bows on Fontana next Friday with "Spare A Thought For Me."

waxed live HERMAN'S Hermits, the Honeycombs, the Pye sent engineers to Liverpool-his home city-to record Tommy Quickly on stage during the Beatles' show at the Empire theatre on Four Pennies and Peter and Gordon are among a dozen pop attractions to be featured in an hour-long colour film for Associated Sunday.

Sunday. Either a single or an EP featuring his stage favourite "Humpty Dumpty" as the title track will be isued shortly as a result of the live

Tommy Quickly

STONES TV SHOW OFF

"The Hollywood Palace Show "The Hollywood Palace Show," the American TV series recently bought by BBC-2 and due to be screened from next Wednesday, has been postponed. The spot recorded by the Rolling Stones with Dean Martin during their first visit to America was to have been in-cluded. No new screening dates have been fixed

been fixed. **Pretty Things** on 'Beat Room'

Shampan buys Filmusic The music publishing company Filmusic has been bought from the Rank Organisation by Harold Shampan, who was general manager of the company.

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BRITISH POP STARS NVADE AUSTRALI THE largest assembly of British pop talent ever to be booked for abroad

in one deal has been signed by promoter Kenn Brodziak for Australian and New Zealand tours next year. Manfred Mann, the Honeycombs, the Kinks and the Dave Clark Five are among the groups fixed; Cilla Black and Mark Wynter are two of the solo stars; the Bachelors and Freddie and the Dreamers are among others still being negotiated.

Manfred Mann, the Honeycombs, the Kinks and Oriole artist Tony Sheverton are all set for the first Australasian tour of 1965. They will open on January 18, probably in Perth, and play major stadiums until February 6. All will be visiting Australia and New Zealand for the first time. ~~~~~~~

MICKIE'S TWO NEW **RECORDING ACTS**

INDEPENDENT producer Mickie Most—who records the Animals, Herman's Hermits and

Animals, Herman's Hermits and the Nashville Teens—has signed two new recording acts. Both will have their records issued on Columbia. As a singer, Paul Williams makes his disc debut with "Gin House" on November 27. The following Friday, the Bats —the group which walked from Belfast for an audition with Most —bow with a song by American hit composer Burt Bacharach "Accepted."

Cilla Black and Sounds Incor-porated will begin a 17-day tour with Mark Wynter on March 8. It will be Mark's third visit and Sounds' second—they were there earlier this year with the Beatles. Freddie and the Dreamers are also being sought for this bill.

Kenny Ball and his Jazzmen begin their third tour "down under" on May 17. The band will be there three weeks.

DOWN UNDER

As indicated in last week's NME, the Dave Clark Five will now begin an Australian tour at the end of May. Their visit has been put back because of their Hollywood film commitments.

Brodziak has opened negotiations for the Bachelors to make their Anstralian début after their Great Yarmouth season show next yunnuer. He is also honiger that Yarmouth season show next summer. He is also hoping that Cliff Richard and the Shadows will return to his country in January, 1966.

In addition, Lonnie Donegan will go back to Australia for cabaret next spring. Brodziak flew to New York on

Tuesday after three weeks in London with agent Cyril Berlin, who has negotiated all the attractions on his behalf

• Manfred Mann, the Honey-combs, and the Kinks will be touring Australia and New Zealand at the Australia and the Vew Zealand at the same time as another show featuring the Rolling Stones, Roy Orbison, Dionne Warwick and Rolf Harris which, as reported last week, begins a fortnight's tour for rival promoter Harry Miller on January 22.

POETS TOUR

BALLROOMS

Pretty Things record album

THE Pretty Things were spending two or three days this week recording numbers for an LP. Fon-tana hope to release the album, which will contain numbers by their which will contain numbers by their managers Jimmy Duncan and Brian Morrison, before Christmas. Following the cancellation of their tour with Chuck Berry, the Pretty Things have been booked for club and ballroom dates during the re-mainder of November. The first is at Dartford Scala on Sunday (15th). They will also appear at Swindon Locarno (16th), Porth Rink (20th), Birmingham Ritz (22nd), Kings Lyno Com Hall (24th), Nottingham Eliza-bethan (25th), Hendon (26th), Hull Baths Hall (28th) and Sheffield Blue Moon (29th).

FAITH'S TV SHOWCASE

Adam Faith's Rediffusion show-case, "The Girls In My Life," originally due to have been screened last month, will now be transmitted next Wednesday (18th). Guesting in "Five O'Clock Club" next week are Heinz, the Hi-Fi's and Peppi (Tuesday), the Overlanders and the Caravelles (Friday).

Vee Jay switch to Philips

RELEASE of America's Vee Jay from EMI to Philips shortly. The NME understands that Vee Jay has negotiated a world-wide release deal with Philips. And another American label, Warner Brothers, is considering a move from Decca-probably to Pye-in the Spring, cables Lance Fielding.

Newley will take show to Broadway

A NTHONY NEWLEY will A definitely star in the Broadway version of "The Roar Of The Greasepaint — The Smell Of The Crowd" as exclusively forecast in the NME four weeks ago. He has decided to take the leading rôle in the musical which he penned with Lessie Bricusse and which flopped on a provincial run before reaching London.

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HERMAN'S HERMITS

BABY I NEED YOUR LOVING

SUMMER FREDDI

MARTHA and the VANDELLAS and the BEACH BOYS-meet in

No. 29 in the NME Chart this week with "When I Grow Up."

s have been booked for a major summer show at Blackpool returns to Great Yarmouth for the season, and Yana and the mouth.

Freddie and the Dreamers will undertake the most important booking of their career, starring with Tommy Cooper and comedians Jewel and Warris at Blackpool Queen's for 18 weeks. The show opens on Whit Saturday (June 5)

DONEGAN BACK

Lonnie Donegan returns to Great Yarmouth next year for his fourth summer season in the resort. He will head/ime a production show for Larry Parnes and Tom Arnold at the Aquarium theatre.

This year Parnes' show at the venue starred Billy Fury, Karl Denver and Rolf Harris.

As previously reported, the Bachelors will star throughout the summer at Great Yarmouth ABC. Kathy Kirby is considering an offer of a third show in the resort— probably at the Britannia Pier.

A second summer show has been fixed for Bournemouth : Yana and the Seekers will join comedian Arthur Haynes in George and Alfred Black's production *et* the Pavilion from

The Light Brown Lamp" and "Little Princess." The Searchers next Pye single is the American folk song "What Have They Done To The Rain." It was recorded in the U.S. by Joan Baez and written by Hal-ving Reynolds.

bian Data and which by American Data Brian Poole revives "Three Bells"—once a hit for the Browns and Les Compagnons de la Chanson—for his next Decca

single. Frank Ifield's new Columbia

Sandie and Herman on Stones 'Lucky'

SANDIE SHAW, Herman's Hermits, Petula Clark and Julie Rogers are set for appearances on ABC-TV's "Thank Your Lucky Stars." Dionne Warwick and the Isley Brothers have been booked for return spots.

Sandie, Pet and the Hermits have been added to the special Rolling Stones edition on Satur-day, December 5. Clinton Ford and Mark Wynter are also set for this date.

Julie Rogers and Frankie Vaughan join the Searchers and the Miracles the following week (12th). Dave Berry is added to the December 19 line-up.

Dionne Warwick, the Isleys, the Hullabaloos and the Three Bells complete the cast on November 28.



(20th).

(20th). The Four Seasons' a-and-r man, Bob Crewe, has written Kenny Lynch's next single "My Own Two Feet." HMV issues the record on November 27. EPs issued next Friday Include three from Decca by the Bache-lors, Kathy Kirby and Lulu. The same day, P.J. Proby's first EP "Zing Went The Strings Of My Heart" will be released by his new label, Liberty.

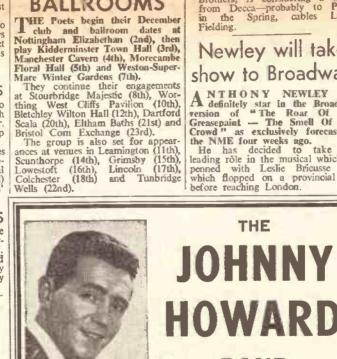
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America next month after all, though they may go early in the New Ycar. The group is currently in the U.S. top 10 with "She's Not There." December dates for the Zombies are Norwich Gala (17th), Northamp-ton Maple (18th), Nelson Imperial (19th), Farnborough Town Hall (23rd) and Bishop's Stortford Rhodes' Centre (25th). and Bishop' Centre (25th).

for them are Auchinleck Community Centre (November 21) and Perth City Hall (23rd).

TOUR CHIEFS MEETING **TO DISCUSS LOSSES**

Britain's top pop promoters are holding a second emergency meeting in London today (Friday) to discuss their losses on this autumn's package tours. They plan to form an associa-tion which will guard them against further serious losses. The association will enable them to plan tours together so that their shows will not clash. They may also restrict



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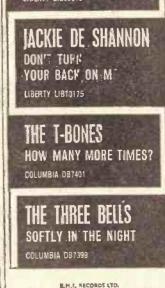
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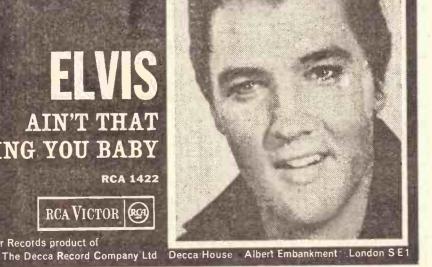
PLAYING TO PRINCESS The Rockin' Berries appear before Princess Margaret at Keele Univer-sity's Annual Ball on December 7. Two more Scottish dates announced

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rocking group with 14 raving num-bers-MEET THE SAXONS; Louis Armstrong singing and trumpeting on SATCHMO AT SYMPHONY HALL.

been recorded by Lou Johnson — who was also the original artist on "Always Something There Te Remind Me" — with a cover recision by our own Adam Faith. Nostaigle and Hiling rockaballad, with clavioline, strings and a gentle rhythm, it builds strongly and is appealingly handled by both singers. On the crescendo, the chorus comes in to sing along with the soloist—following the pattern of "Always Something There," though this is allogether a slower-tempo song. The melody is extremely haunt-ing, but takes a little while to

tempo song. The melody is extremely hauni-ing, but takes a little while to assimilate. I'm sure this is going to be another hit, but it's difficult to assess which version the public will go for. My own slight preference is for the Faith disc, which has a little more bite and better technical quality. Filps: Adam warbles a slap-happy toc-tapper written by Chris Andrews "It Sounds Good To Mo," with a hynotic and repeti-tive tyric. Lou offers an unusually conceived ballad "The Last One To Be Lowed," with heavenly choir and pseudo-concerto piano. Adam's on Parlophone and Lou's on London.

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SUSAN HOLLIDAY (Columbia) has improved almost unrecognisably in "Any Day Now," a rockaballad with tambourine, brass, organ and choir. A most convincing styling. "Don't Come Knocking At My Door" is a frantic rocker. John D. Loudermilk, composer of the Nashville Teens' bits, wrote "Thou Shalt Not Steal" for Dick and Deedee. Exhilarating compulsive rhythm, effec-tive boy-and-girl blend, stimulating atmosphere, and fairly catchy tume. Big ballad on t'other side. On Big b: Warner.

CHUCK JACKSON (Pye-Int.) also sings "Any Day Now"-a contrasting styling, soulful and earthy, with insistent strumming and pizzleato effects "The Prophet" is a run-of-the-mill ballad which doesn't set anywhere.
BILL AN DERSON (Brunswick) warbles a swaying country-favoured ballad "Down Came The Pain." A sobbing, intense rendition, with rainstorm effects. Sugary and sentimental. Faster pace for "In Caasyou Ever Change Your Mind."
TOP SIX No. 10 offers cover versions in medleÿ form of "Always Someting There To Remind Me." "Balla La," "We're Through," "The Wedding," "Tm Crying " and "When You Walk in The Room." Value for money !
HARRY CUNNINGHAM AND THE MIGHTY AVONS (King) present a monologue dedicated to his memory, and extracts from "He'll Have To Go," "I Won't Forget You," "Adios Amigos" and others.

Storming, thumping, hand-clapping backing really makes Little Peggy March's revival of "Watch What You Do With My Baby."

That amusing folk-flavoured novelty song which Peie Seeger does so well "Little Boxes" is beautifully barmonised by Columbia's Nina and Frederik. Has a join-in-and-sing quality, and should go down well at parties

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vanishing acould by the Bad Boys, und sinject a tremendously exube-vant beat into Edward Lear's non-sense song "The Out And The Pussy Cat." Strumming guitars, maraccas and harmonic chanting, Okay for all ages. Piccadily,

Promising debut by the Bad Boys,

The opening bars of Grieg's Piano Concerto introduce the Vernen Girls' big-belt ballad revival of 30-year-old "It's A Sim To Tell A Lie." Solo voice projected on echo, with the other girls chanting. Worth hearing. Decca.

Another Goffin-King song "Softly In The Night" introduces new girl group, the Three Bella, Bright hand-clapping shaker with full-sounding backing and snappy beat. A happy disc. Columbia.

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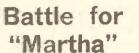
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****NAT KING COLE SINGS "MY FAIR LADY" (Capitol) This makes you wish Nat had played the part of Professor Hig-gens. He'd be a riot, judged by his very English delivery here. Beautifuly sung throughout, he imparts just the right humour, too, as in Hymn To Him and Get Me To The Church On Time. Back-ing is first class—a chorus called the Merry Young Souts, and Halph Carmientael conducting a large orchestra.

orchestra. ****KINGSTON TRIO BACK IN TOWN (Capitol) Georgia Stockade, Ann, Ah Woe Ah Me, Walkin' This Road To My Town, World I used To Know, Salty Dog, Get Together, Isle In The Water, Farewell Captain, Tom Dooley, Them Poems, and So Hi. These top vocal-Instrumental folk entertainers get better all the time. Recorded "live" at the time. Recorded "live" they won their first fame in San Francisco, they've never been friskier. Their in-between gags, and some of their songs, are hilarious. A real smiller, this one. ****FATS DOMINO: MILLION

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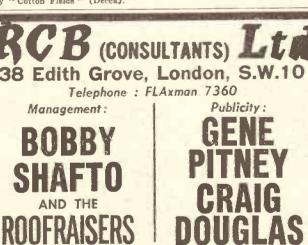




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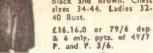
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MODDY BLUES (Decca) inject a crashing, relentless beat into the soulful "Go Now." Shouting aolo vocal with gospel-type chanting. "It's Easy Child " is faster, but with a less heavy beat. A most effective disc!

enective disc : MABE FIVE (Fontana) belt a frantic rock opua in typical Isley tradition, "Tango." Exhibitrating, with fal-settos, but only a trace of the tango rhythm. Jimmy Reed wrote "Baby What's Wrong." a more orthodox abaker.

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#### **NEW MUSICAL EXPRESS** \*



JUST how long can Elvis Presley get away with the same old film musical formula? The one with inane dialogue, phoney situations, elementary plot. The only good thing about "Roustabout" (London Columbia cinema) is El's singing. But in between songs, it's a bore.

In the NME last week, it was stated that Elvis and the Colonel didn't worry about movie scripts. Judging by "Roustabout." it certainly seems they don't. Here we have Elvis in the usual trouble from the start, beating up three college boys (he's handy at Karate) and landing in jail. Throughout, he's Joe-Chip-On-Shoulder, and gets the tough breaks, though we know he's blameless—of

course. He also has the girls swooning for him. The first, a

blonde, bails him out of jail and gets the brush-off for her expensive trouble. The second (heroine Joan Free-man) plays hard to get—but wants to be got—and gets him in the end. The third is a sexy fortune teller (Sue Anne Langdon), who tries to seduce our El, but he's above that sort of thing.

SUNDAY 6 Beaver Club, 6.15 Spin Beat; 6.30 The Magic Of Perry Como; 7 New Juke Box Show; 7.30 Sunday's Requests; 8 The Night is Young; 8.45 Swing Session With Ted Heath; 9 Billy's Banjo Band; 9.15 Rhythm & Biuss; 9.30 Topical Turns; 10 The Sam Costa Show; 10.30 Sunday Night At The Cavern; 11 Top Twenty; 12 Mid-night With Matthew; 12.30 Music In The Night.

Night. MONDAY 6 The World Tomorrow; 6.30 Disc Break; 7 Platter Parade; 7.15 Top Tempo; 7.30 Disc Drive; 7.45 Let's Take A Spin; 8 Time To Meet Don Moss; 8.30 Russell Turner's Record Choice; 9 Battle Of The Giants; 9.15 Deep River Boys; 9.45 New; Cear; 10 Top Pop; 10.30 Jack Jackson; 11 Monday Night Special; 11.15 Pop Night; 11.30 Ray's On; 12 Music In The Night

ELVIS singing "Poison Ivy Lengue" at the start of "Roustabout." ELVIS

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ANDY GRAY

When she keeps telling him he's so good looking, however, Elvis looks as if he's happy to hear it!
The story is about two carnivals — one struggling the beaters—" Hard Knocks" and (Barbara Stanwyck runs it), the other successful. El
Works for both, but leaves the big money to go back and save the poor show. Hooray 1
Dialogue is trite. Example: Barbara Stanwyck: "I want to take to you." El: "Go ahead, it's your the start of "Roustabout."

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Another Elvis speciality is the "open road" tune, sung while travelling. This time he's on his motor-bike, and it's "Wheels On My Heels." And there's the big, inspira-tional finale song, "There's A Bright New Day On The Horizon."

Elvis looks great, is in good voice (aided by the Jordanaires), and his acting is passable, despite the fact be gets little chance to do anything. Let's hope his next picture will be a "new horizon," with a script that really holds the attention. And gives Elvis a chance to act.

(Fashion note: Elvis stuck to pale blue, black and white throughout, wearing black crew necks under blue shirts, or sweater shirts under loose cardigans. Pants were hipsters, usually black).

# BEST SELLÍNG SHEET MUSIC IN BRITAIN

(Tuesday, November 10, 1964) Last This

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4 ALWAYS SOMETHING THERE
TO REMIND ME (Hill & Range)
5 5 WHEN YOU WALK IN THE
ROOM

(Metric)
12 6 SHA LA LA
(Belinda)
7 HOW SOON
(Compass)
8 TWELFTH OF NEVER (Frank)
19 9 ALL DAY AND ALL OF THE
NIGHT

(Kassner)

18 10 BABY LOVE

(Hill & Range)
6 11 PM INTO SOMETHING GOOD

(Screen Gema)



Stones got to Cleveland just in time

THE Rolling Stones were the last rock and roll group to be allowed to perform at Cleveland's Public Hall or at any other venue owned by that city. The ban went into effect after the Rolling Stones' early November concert because, a spokesman for the city said, "Such groups do not add to the community's culture or entertainment."

• Ed Sullivan is trying to figure out a way to restrain the teenagers who come to his show whenever a British rock group appears. Then screams have been distracting other entertainers. Sullivan, however, fully intends to continue booking such groups.

the groups. There's a report Frank Sinatra vill co-star with Audrey Hepburn a "Lydia."

Lydia." Publication date of "Judy," Judy Garland's autobiography, is February. Publisher is

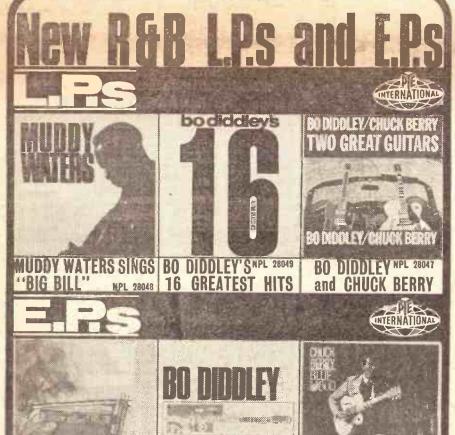
# NAT HENTOFF'S AMERICAN AIRMAIL

 Broadway producer Dave Merrick has had the Broadway rights to "Pickwick" for two years, but he's waiting until Harry Secombe can come here for the American version.
 A Detroit radio station, WXYZ, has imported a British disc jockey -John Benson, He's billed as "London's most popular disc jockey" and will be a guest at the ~~~~~~

station for two weeks. Tommy Steele is due on Broadway in mid-April when "Half A Sixpence" opens. Among the telegrams received by Sammy Davis during opening night of "Golden Boy"—one from Sir Laurence Olivier. United Aritists is distributing

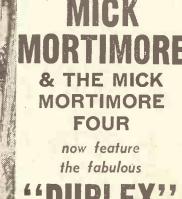
• United Artists is distributing a seven-minute Technicolour short, "The Dave Clark Five." It went into the nation's theatres to coin-cide with Dave Clark's current tour.

tour. • Eddle Fisher says he plans to tell everything in the autobiography which he's currently writing. • Natalle Wood and Frank Sinatra were co-chairmen of the Motion Picture Relief Fund and have raised \$250,000 so far for actors in need. actors in need.





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THE latest Gerry and the Pace-THE latest Gerry and the Pace-makers' package show bulges with everything: there is the Liver-pool brash beat from Gerry; the melody-plus-beat style of Gene Pitney; the overpowering, over-amplified Kinks; the genuine Tamla-Motown sound from Kim Weston and the Earl Van Dyke Four; a much improved Bobby Shafto; a jazz tinged r-and-b approach from Mike Cotton . . . and Marianne Faithfull. Faithfull.

Faithfull. On stage, on Saturday, at London's Walthamstow Granada, Marianne Faithfull gave the most unusual act I've seen on a package show beamed at a pop music audience. She made no announcements, was accompanied by an acoustic guitar (listeners in some parts of the hall must have thought she was virtually unac-companied) and sang a group of folk songs, including the original version of "House Of The Rising Sun." Singing in a Joan Baeztablished voice, she had

says lan Dove

such economy of movement that 1 thought she's taken root onstage | The sougs were all around the same tempo and it sometimes gave the impression of one fifteen-minute folk song.

and screaming for the KIRKS. Marianne's voice is delightfully reedy and ideal for her material. And despite (I think) being out of her element, she grabbed some solid applause at the end . . . Without singing either "As Tears Go By" or her latest disc, "Blowing In The Wind."

### Tired

Before he went onstage, Gerry con-fuesed: "We're really tired. America was very hectic."

The Pacemakers, just returned from an extensive tour of Canada and America, must have shaken off the effects by the time the curtain opened-they gave their usual energetic show, which included a driving version of "My Babe."

Naturally, Gerry played to a harrage of screams as they wound their way through their string of bits, interspersed with rock 'n' rollers.

But Gerry followed Gene Pitney and in the screams for Gerry's initial appearance were numy for an encore from Gene.

from Gene. Gene was backed by the Mike Cotton Sound (making their first appearance on an all-pop package). Gene went through a well-paced act starting with "24 Hours From Tulsa" and finishing with his new hit, "I'm Gonna Be Strong." Said Gene afterwards: "The opening applause threw me. It was too much ! I figured then that the only way to go was down, it was so warm and generous." On this showing, the next time Gene comes to Britain he should headline his own package. The Kinks closed the first half and

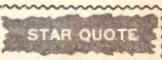
headline his own package. The Kinks closed the first half and with two hit records, were welcomed ecstatically. Their style is uncom-promising, drive-'em-down pop r-and-b, with amplifiers turned up . rough. raw and beaty. Naturally, "You Really Got Me" and "All Day" roused the audience to massed rally frenzy. Titles and lyrics were unintelligable among the shouting and screaming, but some good harmonica work on a routine blues did cut through the atmospherics. Kim Weston and the Earl Van Dyke

cult through the atmospherics. Kim Weston and the Earl Van Dyke originally booked on the ill-fated P.J. Proby package, were late additions to the tour. Earl's musicians were excel-lent, leaning towards jazz rather than out-and-out pop. Kim Weston showed she had a powerful voice and could swing a little. She had the audience

In the latest package show (i to r) KIM WESTON, BOBY SHAFTO, MIKE COTTON, DAVE DAVIES (of KINKS), GERRY MARSDEN, GENE PITNEY and MARIANNE FAITHFULL. NME picture by Harry Morris.

shout along with her in "Hootenanny Time With Kim," which wasn't 1 It was straight beat. It's a long time since I saw Bobby Shafto; he has improved. His voice seems to have deepened and his stage manner become more confident. He sang his American hit, "She's My Girl," and earned some screams with his new disc, "Who Wouldn't Love A Girl Like That." His backing group was the Root Raisers, who did their job well. Let me compliment compere Bryan

Let me compliment compere Bryan Burdon : he told more jokes faster in a shorter time than anyone I've heard. He was always one joke ahead of being swamped in screams for Gerry, Gene or the Kinks.

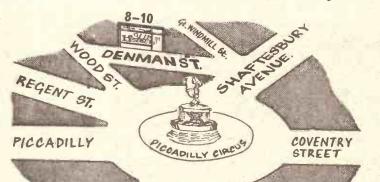


SAYS Trini Lopez: "I'm not surprised about my talent. I'm only surprised that the public and the world has accepted me —a Mexican. When you come from Texas, that surprises you." minim





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" GUESS I may have lost around 48,000 dollars," said Chuck Berry. And, rather surprisingly, smiled.

Chuck was at London's Hilton hotel on Monday. He had originally arrived to start a one-nighter tour-now he was setting up details for that tour to begin in January next year. He was talking about himself in that precise way of his:

"The desire to please an audience should be the essence of one's delivery." Yes, he admitted that if trends changed he would adapt himself to them. "I'll be right in with it," he said.

But he talked like a man unworried by such things. He confessed a strange ambition. "I'd like to settle, if the music business took a dip, in a job in Government Research and really invent something. "I like science; it interests me. I'm just a General

Science "A" student, but I really would like to invent something. Music itself is very inspirative but I'd like to do something in research."

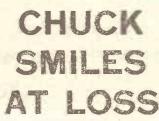
Had he any ideas? "Yes. It started when I was a hairdresser, round about the time of 'Maybelline,' when that was a hit. I studied for two years to get my licence—to style female hair. female hair.

"You have to study a lot of things, like the bones of the human head to do hair. But after about six months I hung up my comb and went into music.

and went into music. "But I still have this idea. Nothing on paper, it's just in my head. It's an idea for a comb that washes and presses hair. You know, puts curls and waves into hair. Of course the differences in hair might not make it practical but if they do permanent waves they should be fine for my comb. I reckon it would get out on sale at about 90 dollars." Chuck Berry's interest in

Chuck Berry's interest in mechanics has played a big part in the building of his Berry Park, 42 acres of land with a guitar shaped swimming pool, a club house and guest house with a recording studio attached. It opens on May 30 next year. year.

Chuck designed it himself. "At school I took mechanical drawing and architecture. I know what I want."



studio is very important in an A studio is very important in an artist's life because there is a differ-ent sound to every contour in a room. No studio will sound the same—some sound hollow and some tinny. Of course, with this mechanical sound people put on records these days perhaps it doesn't matter." Chuck gave the impression that it

would matter to him. I asked him about his latest record, "Little Marie," and the fact that people say it is the same as an early Berry hit, "Memphis Tennessee." Said Chuck: "That is as in-tended. The chord progression is exactly the same and the melody is slightly off it. would matter to him.



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as a top-ranking personality. Why has Val Doonican suddenly become a name to conjure with? Why is he now for ever cropping up on our TV screens with a record hit to his credit, when not so long ago the peak if his achievements seemed to be the working men's club in the North? I asked him about this. "I am now enjoying the reward of

North ? 1 asked him about this. "I am now enjoying the reward of all the hard work I've put into the last few years," he explained. "I've been gradually building up good will on the radio, particularly amongst the housewives—and it all seemed to explode when I was given that Palladium TV exposure in the spring spring.

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Spring. "Until then, I'd done a tre-mendous amount of radio, but had to his "Walk Tall" success? scarcely ever been seen on TV. Fortunately, all the years I'd spent to his "Walk Tall" success? "I shall be recording it in about ten days," he said. "The song is aready chosen, and I'm hopeful that given me confidence and assurance, and made me relaxed. In other words, I was ready for it—and I'm sure that's why I created such a favourable impression."



#### VAL DOONICAN

I was only sounded out—we never really got around to serious negotia-tion. Now that it's been blown up like this, it makes me look rather cocky. The TV company in question is going to think twice about offering me any guest appearances."

Val told me that he has just Val told me that he has just finished making an album, which will be released in a few weeks. It con-sists of 13 widely contrasting songs, typical of the mixed repertoire in which this versatile performer specialises. The album is to be called "Thirteen Shades Of Val specialises. The album is to be called "Thirteen Shades Of Val Doonican."

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 4 WHAT DO YOU WANT TO MAKE THOSE EYES AT ME FOR Ende Ford (Fye)
 3 S SEA OF LOVE Marty Wide (Philips)
 6 'TIL I KISSED YOU Every Brothers (London) Everly Brothers (London) 10 7 BROKEN-HEARTED MELODY Sarah Vaughan (Mercury) 9 8 PUT YOUR HEAD ON MY SHOULDER SHOULDER Paus Anka (Columbia) 11 9 MAKIN' LOVE Floyd Robinson (RCA) 6 10 HIGH HOPES Frank Sinatra (Capitol)

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Rosemary Clooney (Philips) 5 4 IF I GIVE MY HEART TO YOU

6 5 THIS OLE HOUSE

Billie Anthony (Columbia) 8 6 IF I GIVE MY HEART TO YOU Joan Regan (Decca)

4 7 SMILE Nat "King" Cole (Philips) 7 8 MY FRIEND

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JANET HILTON (London, W.15): Most people think that the recent suc-cess of Jim Reeves' records is due to his tragic death. I am sure this is only partly the reason, because surely coun-try 'n' western music is IN. Proof can be found listening to the radio, watching the charts and visiting local record stores where you will find country 'n' western racks nearly empty. How this will affect the stars is an interesting point. The Rolling Stones and similar groups, limited by rhythm 'n' plues, will probably slide. But the Beatles will adapt themselves to the new style. In fact, several of their numbers have

In fact, several of their numbers have a strong country tinge, notably "All My Loving," with George Harrison's bril-Hant guitar work.

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Kinks and the Honeycombs, whose latest discs wouldn't be hits were it not for their first records. Come on, British mecord buying public, buy for talent, not for name !

B. FAIRBROTHER (Manchester 22)

tional reasons ! JILI JOHNSON (London, SW2): Re-cord-wise, what has happened to my favourite artist, Joe Brown ? All his discs recently have falled to get into the charts, yet when you see him on the stage he hasn't charged at all. I know he is busy making a film, but surely we could have a disc out---and something that will put him back at the top.

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B. FAILBROTHER (Manchester 22): The people who write letters about the Stones and the Manfreds making con-cessions to pop, sure are making a mistake. The Stones and the Manfreds are pop groups. The term pop is applied to any form of music that is popular—and now hythm 'n' blues is the vogue and the Stones claim to play it (they don't !). Hence they are pop ! PETER EVANS (Bexhill): Surely Elvis Presley is admitting defeat in the fast moving pop world by releasing a record made seven years ago. He is admitting that he no longer has it in him to make records that will drive the kids wild as do the pop groups of to-day. N. A. GARAWAY (Bristol 4): Usually when an American artist visits this country his or hearing them on radio. Not so in the case of my favourite singer, Johnny Tillotson. For some reason everybody kept quite about this great singer's British visit--yet it was supposed to be for promo-tional reasons ! MLL JOHNSON (London, SW2): Re-

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# **GENE PITNEY** — REAL GIFT TO PUBLISHERS

GENE PITNEY is one singer who pays attention to promoting a record. He must be a music publisher's dream. Consider the before-it-happened activity of his new hit, "I'm Gonna Be Strong."

Gene arrived in Britain a week before his tour with Gerry and

the Pacemakers was due to start. He flew from Los Angeles, where he filmed a spot for Jack Good's "Shindig" show— "It's really big out there ! "—following a week of hectic plugging on radio and television in America.

With only a couple of hours break in New York, he arrived at London Airport, not feeling very strong at all. But that afternoon he was at the BBC's television studio making a hot seat appearance on "Juke Box Jury." Still no rest—he recorded, as a "JBJ" panellist, the next week's show.

Then it was trips for TV shows to Manchester, Birmingham, Cardiff . . . and to the doctor !

Explained Gene: "I was just exhausted, so he gave me some shots of hæmoglobin, to bring my blood count back to normal. Then I felt fine."

Friday and Saturday were the days when the Big Push started: Gene appeared on "Ready, Steady, Gol", was heard on radio's "Saturday Club," seen on "Juke Box Jury," BBC-2's "Open House" and "Thank Your Lucky Stars "—these last three all within one hour! And insatiable Pitney fans could switch over from BBC to the commercial

network and still catch Gene: he was the final act on "Lucky Stars." Then an hour later Gene opened live at the Walthamstow Granada. In his dressing-room after the first show, be flopped. "Phew! But this is how you survive. A lot of American artists have disappeared because of the British break-through in the States. Now you have to go out and work, work, work.

"Of course, you have to have the material first."

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"I'm Gonna Be Strong" is Gene's material. And he looks like repeating history, for his first real British t, "24 Hours From Tulsa," followed a week of promotion and kept pace with a Pitney one-nighter tour then with Billy J. Kramer).

" I'm Gonna Be Strong " was written by Barry Mann and Cynthia Weil, and was found at the end of a long, long day for Gene.

He explains: "I had a day free and went looking for songs. I turned up at Don Kirshner's office—he's a big New York publisher—around six in the after-noon. From then on until ten, he had writers coming in, two by two, playing songs for me. ST. GILES music centre

songs for me. "I heard 'I'm Gonna Be Strong' and said: 'I want to do this.' I'm pleased it's a hit for a lot of reasons, and one of them is that several people close to me said: 'No, don't do it.' The song was easy recording—we did it in the second take. I had the idea for the arrangement, starting with one guitar and ending with the kitchen sink and told Gary Sherman, the arranger, how I conceived it. And th's worked." Why did Gene think it has climbed into the NME Chart? "Reason one: the contrast from the intimacy of the be-ginning to the ending. It really grabs 'em and shakes 'em at the end. And the other is the exposure.

"It's like I can't go to sleep at nights without seeing a TV camera i"

The other side of "I'm Gonna Be Strong" is "Aladdin's Lamp," which Gene wrote, even though he doesn't get much time for writing songs these days. " It is," he said, "a monetary invest-ment !"

IAN DOVE.



FOUR PENNIES (I to r) LIONEL, ALAN, MIKE and FRITZ.

# PENNIES' VILLAGE SURPRISE

TRYING to locate the Four Pennies is rather like attempting to cross the Mersey in the wee hours. In Liverpool, the buses, trains, ferries and taxis stop-but the Four Pennies are always on the move. They don't remain in one place for long. The place they frequent for the longest periods is bed, and I found Lionel there when I 'phoned him.

He had arrived home late from a job the previous night and I had to call again at midday.

Still sounding a bit sleepy, Lionel taiked about the bail he and the other three blokes had on Guy Fawkes night at the Pestalozri Chil-dren's Village, near Battle, Sussex, an international home.

"We had a fabulous time. We "We had a fabulous time. We lapped it up more than the kids, I think," he told me. "We went into a West End store to buy some freworks and when we told them who we were and where we were going, they gave us a lot extra and charged us less than the right price.

"Some of the fireworks cost wenty-five shillings each. They were marvellous. Something that surprised us was that we thought all the chil-dren were young, but we found there were some of our own age group-teenage girls, too l

"We learnt a lot of nursery rhymes and went expecting to do 'Rudolph The Rednosed Reindeer." But we finished up doing our usual show. It was great."

show. It was great. Recently, the Pennies were in Paris making a film for a visual juke box. The number they did was their cur-rent hit "Black Girl" which is at No. 24 in the NME Chart this week. Talking about "Black Girl," I asked Lionel if he thought the song was a bit risky. It had aiready caused the cancellation of the Pennies' appear-ance on one TV children's programme. "There's a lot of records out a sight "There's a lot of records out a sight worse as far as we're concerned," he said. "Some Mnes sound bad if they're taken out of context.

"As a story there's nothing wrong with it. We used to do it as one of our party pieces and someone suggested we record it. We re-arranged it and liked it, so we decided to issue it as a single."

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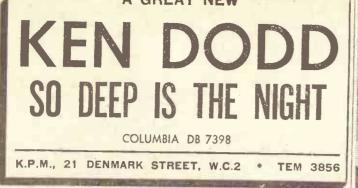




- A GREAT NEW-



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# **IPIECES** by the ALLEY

AST Sunday's Palladium concert proved Judy Garland still a great star-and daughter Liza Minelli a big future star Shaw's first LP produced by Mike Smith, recording manager of Brian Poole and the Tremeloes . . . Heading for U.S. Top 20: Bobby Vinton's "Mr. Lonely," Elvis Presley's "Ask Me," Herman's Hermits" "I'm Into Something Good," Johnny Rivers' "Mountain Of Love" and Newbeats' "Everything's Alright" . . . . Billie Davis has joined Bernard Defont's agency, having material

Delfont's agency, having parted from Robert Stigwood .... "Little Red Rooster" (next Rolling Stones single) previously waxed by Sam Cooke, but the composer is Willie Dixon .... Hendon home



Capitol issuing current Cliff Ben-nett and the Rebel Rousers' hit in America....Did Ringo Starr inspire big U.S. hit for Lorne Greene, "Bonanza's TV star?...Death of Harry Belafonte's record producer, Bob Bollard.... Prime Minister Harold Wilson invited to attend Birmingham concert starting Merseybeats, the Applejacks and the Mojos on December 23.... Accompanying Tommy Quickly to America—Brian Epstein and personal assistant Derek Taylor....Screen producer Sir Michael Balcon keen to make Kathy Kirby's first film.... Next year, Roy Castle may join Broadway production of David Merrick's "Pickwick" — starring Harry Secombe....At Talk Of The Town, Bernard Delfont keen to secure Ethel Merman's return appear-ance....It cost Peggy Lee plenty to

## **Plenty** of spirit

"High Spirits," the new musical at London's Savoy theatre, is an amusing adaptation of Noel Coward's "Bithe Spirit." Hugh Martin and Timothy Gray have added 18 songs-none very im-



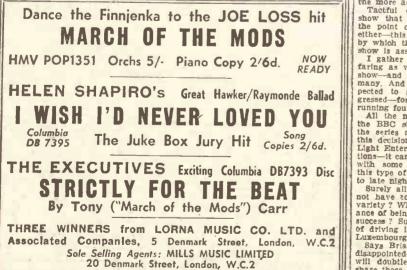
comeback.... In America, Brian Epstein arrang-ing for Liberty to issue Tommy Quickly's records....Good training: Sandie Shaw was her manager Evelym Taylor's guest at Sunday's Judy Gar-land-Liza Minelli London Palladium concert....Eddie Fisher's boyhood friend Bernie Rich now U.S. agent for Shani Wallis.

friend Bernie Rich now U.S. agent for Shani Wallis.... "Answer Me" (former Frankie Laine and David Whitfield hil) re-vived on next P.J. Proby EP.... NME chief Maurice Kinn (back from U.S.) reports Rolling Stones making fast progress thero....Doesn't Dick Rowe regret not renewing Rockin' Berries' Decca contract ?....



Recommended: Keely Smith's LP of best John Lennon and Paul M c Cartney compositions...On December 12, Ray Davies (leader of the Kinks) marries art student Rasa Dicpetris at Bradford...Russ Con-way travelled on same 'plane as Anthony Newley to Italy, where he holidays with Matt and Mickie Monro.... Monro

have added 15 songs-none very im-pressive. But it makes a happy evening, none the tess, thanks to the comedy of Cicely Courtneldge and spirited singing of Marti Stevens, Denis Quilley, Jan Waters and a big chorus. A.G. Monro.... Death of pianist Buddy Cole; he accompanied Bing Crosby for several years-also Rosemary Clooney more recently....In next Joe Brown film his girl-friend is Una Stubbs, who appeared in three Cliff Richard





Together on "Pop Inn" on Tuesday (l. to r.): LITTLE PEGGY MARCH, LOU JOHNSON and DUSTY SPRINGFIELD. Peggy and Lou have discs reviewed on Page 10.

and Lou have discs reviewed on Page 10.
 movies....Speeding offence cost Mark Wynter £10 at Brighton.....
 U.S. report denied by George Harrison to NME's Chris Hutchins: he's not corresponding with Joey Heatherton, young Hollywood actress
 ....Didn't Dusty Springfield deserve honour before Cilla Black or Kathy Kirby at Royal Variety Show ?....
 Penge fat of Bill Wyman burgled.....
 For London version of Barbra Streisand's "Funny Girl" show, Shani Waltis is latest candidate.....
 Three Lionel Bart tunes featured by Judy Garland at Palladium concert .....Tomorrow (Saturday) Rockin' Betries' recording manager John Schroeder marries secretary Wendy
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Schroeder marries secretary Wendy Steadman.... Once a hit for Marty Wilde, "End-less Sleep" revived by H an k Williams Jur.... Musical director for Richard Chamberlain is now Perry Botkin Jnr.... Invitation declined by Rolling Stones to sing for Princess Margaret at Dockland Settlement Ball. Ball

Flipside of Julie Rogers' new single is her version of Ruby and the

# WHY IS THIS **'GEAR' GOING ?**

IN the middle of July, BBC Light Programme launched a new latenight pop series with much pomp and ceremony. They took Brian Matthew away from "Easy Beat" to compere it, they relieved pro-ducer Bernic Andrews of his "Saturday Club" duties to handle

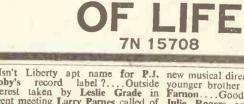
"Saturday Club" duties to handle it, and they promised that it would contain the cream of the pops. "Top Gear" has certainly lived up to expectations I The Beatles, the Rolling Stones, Manfred Mann, the Supremes, Brenda Lee, Billy Fury, the Animals, Billy J. Kramer, the Rockin' Berries, Dusty Springfield— these are just some of the artists who have appeared in it. And always there's been the pick of the latest disc releases.

BRUCE CHARLTON.



On the first of the new "Teen Scene" broadcasts on Sunday evening (l. to r.): P.J. PROBY and PATTI BOYD, who were guests, and NME's CHRIS HUTCHINS, who is a regular on the show.





**DE RECORD OF THE WEEK!** 

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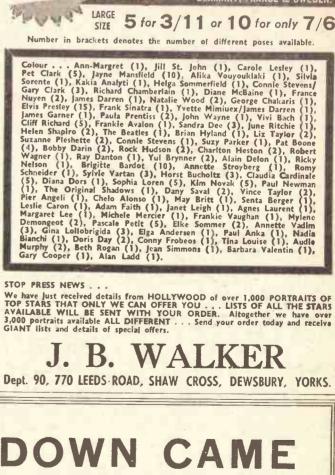
In harmony: Lionel Morton (leader of the Four Pennies) and TV-screen actress Julia Foster... American singer Johnny Rivers now represented by Brian Epstein in Britain... Pro-ducer Jack Hanbury plans another film starring Joe Brown.... An American folk song Searchers' next single....Nat "King" Cole's



Why don't Searchers consider up-dating Jimmie Rodgers' "Kisses Sweeter Than Wine"?....Is Liza Minelli secretly engaged?...Liberty chief Al Bennett hopeful of signing Bobby Vee on new long-term con-tract...

Bobby Vee on new long-term con-tract.... On "Ready, Steady, Gol" Dusty Springfield seemed to enjoy Gene Pitney's company....In "My Fair Lady" film, Audrey Hepburn's sing-ing "ghosted" by Marri Nixon-wife of "Exodus" composer Ernest Gold....As a sequel to Judy Gar-land's concert with her daughter Liza Minelli at Paladium, how about Alma Cogan and her mother Fay Cogan ?....

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