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THIS ISSUE'S COVER

The cover of our Anniversary issue was created by Joan Bujnowski, our Art Director, showing once more the fine talent and taste she has used throughout our first year of publication.



FROM THE PUBLISHER:

ON OUR BIRTHDAY - THANK YOU...

It is with many mixed emotions that we set ourselves to the writing of this issue. In one sense, we are surprised that a whole year has passed since we put the first issue to bed. In another, it is a relief to know that we have survived for one whole year, the period of time in which an enormous percentage of new born publications fail.

We are hardly pretentious enough to believe that it is through our efforts alone that we have survived and grown stronger.

Without the initial support of the Unicorn and its manager at that time, Byron Lord Linardos, BROADSIDE would have remained an idea, rather than an actuality. Without the support of its first advertizers; The Unicron, Cafe Yana, Club 47, The Loft, Sportscar Specialists, Rick Stafford, Bob Jones, and the New Scene Folklore and then Boston Music Company, Cholmondeleys, The King's Rook, and Cantabrigia Book Store, and then again Vega, Wurlitzer, Briggs & Briggs, Club Jolly Beaver and the Turkshead, We thank you all very much as well as the rest of our fine advertizers which have joined us in the past year.

And we owe a great deal to our subscribers those faithful people who put enough trust in us that they sent their dollars to us without knowing whether or not we would survive long enough to fulfill their subscriptions. You have really been patient with us.

The people who help to put BROADSIDE together are numerous. We don't have room to mention them all here, but Dick Miller deserves great credit for his role in getting the publication to take its first toddling steps while he served as Associate Editor, and Chuck Sheffreen who served in so many capacities as well as being our first Advertizing Manager; Joan Bujnowski who gave BROADSIDE a spark of life with her artwork and artistic sense; and Jill Henderson, our Associate Editor whose devotion to this publication far exceeds what we could possibly expect from anyone. To these and to the rest of the staff, and to all of our readers, we say thank you, thank you very much.

D.W.

... as a postscript to the above, I would like toadd a few words about a person who deserves the most thanks and admiration in regards to not just BROADSIDE, but in all areas of folk music here in Boston; namely David Wilson. Few people realise the part that Dave plays in folk circles here. Not only does he act as Editor and Publisher of our paper, but is involved in a great many activities which help to promote and nourish the talents and careers of not only our own Boston folk singers: but many other up and coming as well as established talents to gain the recognition they well deserve.

Many of you will remember how night after night Davie opened his home both at 250 Newbury and 96 Columbia to folk fans, musicians and out of town folk enthusiasts so that they could have a place to gather, play and share folk music of all types. In fact, "What's happening tonight at Broadside?" became the pass word on weekend nights after the folk houses were closed. Although this was chaotic, some of the best folk music I have ever had the pleasure of hearing was spontaneously performed at these informal gatherings - memories to be treasured for a long time.

We feel that Dave through his hard work and deep interest in folk music has unofficially done more than any other one person in making Boston the center of folk music on the East Coast that it is fast becoming today.

It is a pleasure and a source of inspiration to be associated with someone as deeply devoted to folk music as he is and I can only send him thanks and love from the staff and the many many friends he has across the country for the work he has done.

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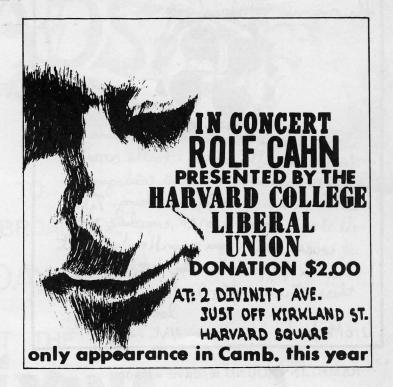
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WHAT TO EXPECT FROM BROADSIDE THIS COMING YEAR

We have been promised a number of columns which we will be printing this coming year. In this issue, notice two articles that comment on Folk Music in the general terms by two of Boston's folk people; Mitch Greenhill and Joe Boyd. In the future, we hope to have articles by Jackie Washington, Bonnie Dobson (which will be published under her favorite pseudonymn), Rolf Cahn, Guy Carawan, Logan English and a number of others

HOTENANNY NOT FOR BOSTON

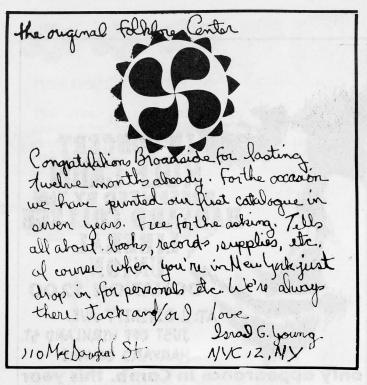
The ABC-TV network show"Hootenanny" which will feature many of this country's finest folk acts will not be shown in the Boston area we were informed by Boston's ABC outlet. Rumor has it that a committee has been formed since this news has become known and that some form of protest will be made. Details will be given as we get them.



OUR BEST TO PAUL AND TERRY

We are very excited over several bits of news concerning Paul Rothchild and Prestige Records. First, the two records which Paul engineered and produced of the Charles River Valley Boys and Keith and Rooney have been sold to Prestige Record Company, and secondly, Paul has been made an A & R man for the company in 5 departments (i.e. finding new folk talent, doing field recordings and documentaries etc.) which means that Terry and Paul and their new baby will be moving to New York very shortly to take up residence there. We are extremely sad to see them leaving us, but realise what a wonderful job this will be for Paul. BROADSIDE sends best wishes to the Rothchilds - please don't forget us - we have put you on the mailing list and hope that we will hear from you often.

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RAMBLIN' ROUND w/dave wilson

With all the activity in the area, one is hard put to keep track of what is going on. Thankfully there are moments of mirth which amuse us so much that with a moment's breather we can plunge back into the midst of it all.

Some of these are: a mildly capable young folksinger doing his bit at a local hoot, very carefully giving credits and history to each song that he does in his intricutions and then introducing Scottish born and bred" Blow the Candles Out", as a song from the British West Indies.

A radio program of religious folk music with recorded illustrations done by an eclectic assortment of performers played "Will the Circle be Unbroken" first by the Carter Family and then by the Staple Singers and proceeded to credit it to the Carter Family and Harry Belafonte.

The there is the billing of P, P & M's records as Folkmusic without gimmicks.

And lastly the young female who couldn't quite make out the words on the record she copies and sang "I will cry in my mingles of waving back air"



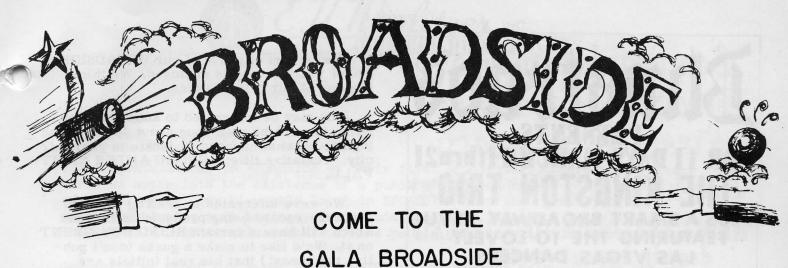
THE KINGSTON TRIO
OHN STEWART BOB SHANE NICK REYNOLDS

POPULAR KINGSTON TRIO AT BLINSTRUBS

Blinstrubs will play host to the Kingston Trio for several days (see ad for dates) this month. The group, originally founded by Dave Guard, who learned his banjo technique from Pete Seeger's manual, was the first of its kind to successfully popularize folk music. When Dave Guard left to form a group of his own, which has since, we are told, become extinct, the Kingston Trio continued, drawing John Stewart formerly of the Cumberland Three to fill the vacancy. One of John Stewart's finest talents is the ability to write richly imagined, well organized songs and doubtless their performances will be liberally sprinkled with them. Musically the group is a technically competent one and fun to watch as they add a glitter and bounce to their numbers which are greatly lacking in the more traditional interpretations of the same music.



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Letters

Dear Dave:

Just finished reading the February 8th issue of BROADSIDE and would like to offer my congratulations to a fine folk publication. Being involved in the field of folk music as I am, I feel that anyone who makes an honest, worthwhile and constructive contribution to the field is of infinite value to us all. Best wishes for continued success in your efforts.

Regards,

CASEY ANDERSON

Dear Dave Wilson:

I want to start by apologizing for not sending you our <u>Broadside</u> with the same steady regularity with which you have been sending us yours. We'll put you on our permanent mailing list.

We read your "The" BROADSIDE thoroughly and are envious in the way it has improved in layout and everything else since it was launched a year ago. Congratulations on your first birthday which must be just about now.

We're sort of proud of our BROADSIDE #20 of which a copy is enclosed. We think it's one of our better issues.

You may be interested to know that Bob Dylan is working on a song about Jackie Washington, on what happend to Jackie in your fair city. Tentative title: ABROAD AFTER NIGHT-FALL.

We were interested in reading the item about the record being produced in England which will have a certain BLIND BOY GRUNT on it. We'd like to make a guess (don't publish the guess!) that his real initials are _____

All best wishes for continued success.

Sis Cunnigham, Editor BROADSIDE P.O. Box 193 New York 25, New York

BROADSIDE'S FIRST ANNUAL FOLK MUSICIANS POLL

A ballot and an invitation to vote will be printed in the April 5th issue of BROAD-SIDE. The categories to be voted on are as follows:

BEST BOSTON FOLK PERFORMER (MALE)

BEST BOSTON FOLK PERFORMER (FEMALE)

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research and great songs. We really look forward to each issue we receive.

from Liverpool

Dear Broadside Reader; bedsilduq ai DVIS national folk music magazine of England,

Our congratulations to BROADSIDE on their first Anniversary. Here at Wurlitzer Music we appreciate the existence of a publication dedicated to folk doings about our local area. Our bi-weekly "ads" in BROADSIDE have been gratifying to us not only in producing more business (which admittedly we like) but as well in the meeting of a considerable number of fine people, and several close friendships. the best of them all.

Generally we shout our wares in BROADSIDE but we thought we should use the 1st Amilversary issue to introduce ourselves to those of you who haven't as yet visited us:2 voologorminu & oroinio

Pop Wurlitzer started us back in 1890, a most small concern specializing in construction and repair of musical instruments. The rest of us entered at various points as apprentices and out younger days were highlighted by considerable broompushing, broken nails and skinned fingers. We were trained by Old-World standards, oftentimes physically so, to regard proper craftmanship as the only standard. We still think this way today. We are certainly not alone. We have a

and traditional music. Through the years we grew into merchandising - some of you will remember our jammed Hiwquarters back at LaGrange Stiw-sto our location of today which, although larger, it does finds us just as jammed as ever! This is understandable as we now carry a perpetual stock of over 250 fretted instruments, this as well as a full complement of

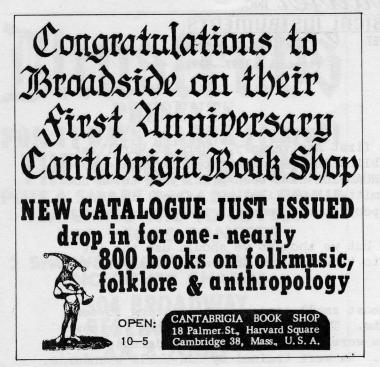
by some of the best young writers active Looking back we note that life with the guitar industry has not been easy. With valor the growth of interest in fretted instruments we have been deluged by new makes, and base models, imports all urged upon us by voluble salespeople of Some have proveduout and bad well and we stock them. Many others have shown themselves to be incompatible with our New England climate and you'll find us strong in our avoidance of them. Generally we stick with recognized makes as offering the best value and least cussing. "Headaches" are hard on the pocketbook and discouraging to musical interest. A sol and FOR GENERATIONS

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That's part of our story. Immediate availability, each instrument completely via beview guaranteed by Wurlitzer as well as the maker. Lots to choose from and you'll find of the state o us somewhat informal. You'll meet Ernie and Al Wurlitzer, Tim, Bob and Phil. You'll find horseplay and serious discussion....and you'll find realistic prices. You'll be welcome whether you only try ... or buy see noticetion representations of the restriction of the second second

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from both sides of the fence, some de-



WE ARE NOT ALONE

We are certainly not alone. We have a number of other folk publications in this country most of whom have exchange subscriptions and even a couple overseas.

BROADSIDE New York is a publication devoted to the printing of topical songs by some of the best young writers active today. They began shortly before we did and have improved steadily. We wish we had the room to print some of the things they do. Good luck to BROADSIDE of NYC.

BROADSIDE Los Angeles, which also started about the same time we did covers the Los Angeles Folk music scene handsomely and prints a number of articles of which we are envious.

LITTLE SAND REVIEW has assumed the unenviable task of reviewing as many folk records as they possibly can and as such are the constant target of many hatchets from both sides of the fence, some deceived gives promise of many fine issues to come.

TUNE-UP is the monthly bulletin of the Philadelphia Folk Song Society which is extremely active. Their publication keeps Philly audiences well up on what is going on in their area.

SING & STRING is Canada's Folkmusic magazine and the one issue we have re-

SPIN which comes to us from Liverpool England prints articles of criticism, of research and great songs. We really look forward to each issue we receive.

SING is published in London and is the national folk music magazine of England, giving news, pring songs and articles of folk music in that country.

SING OUT which grew out of the PEOPLE'S SONG pamphlet is of course American's voice of folk music and is professionally the best of them all.

Anyone who desires information on any of the above may contact us for details.

WTBS SWITCHES RAMBLIN' ROUND AND FOLKSIDE

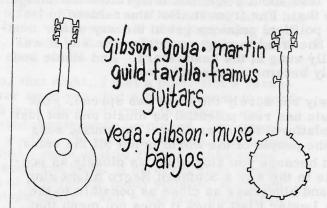
Ramblin' Round w/Dave Wilson has been switched back to Thursday night where it will feature practically all field recordings and traditional music.

Folkside will be heard Tuesday nights and wifeature the newer interpreters.

Ramblin' Round can be heard from 7 to 8:45 PM and Folkside from 7 to 8:30 PM over WTBS-FM, 88.1 on the FM dial.

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TED ALEVIZOS AND SALLY SCHOENFELD TO SING FOR SCITUATE ARTS FESTIVAL

The Scituate Arts Association will present for the first time in the town of Scituate a "Folk Song Evening". On Saturday March 30th at 8:30, Dreamwold will be transformed into a true coffee house atmosphere complete with avant-garde paintings which will lend to the authenticity of the occasion. Ted Alevizos and Sally Schoenfeld, popular artists from Boston, have been seen and heard many times in the Boston coffee houses.

The "Folk Song Evening" will be the first presentation of the 1963 season of the Art's Association under the auspices of the new officers and directors of the 1962-1963 season.

MOONSHINERS AT JORDAN HALL

The Moonshiners with several more concerts under their belt and a much tighter program will return to Jordan Hall for another concert on Saturday night, March 23rd. Sponsored by the Jr. Class at Bentley College, the Moonshiners will once again deliver their message that "Man can not live by bread alone; he needs his peanut butter too".

GUY CARAWANJOPENS AT CAFE YANA

Guy Carawan, folklorist, collector and singer will open at the Cafe Yana, Friday evening March 15 and will continue to perform throughout a period of 15 days. Guy became well known to Boston audiences through his engagements at the Golden Vanity and via his many records. He spent a great deal of time in England with Peggy Seeger and Ewan McColl and has a repertoire which can only be described as enviable. For a preview of Guy, take a listen to the Prestige Recording: The Best of Guy Carawan.

ROLF TO PLAY AT CHOLMONDELEYS

Although we don't get a very steady stream of information as to what is happening in the coffee house world at Brandeis, we do know that Rolf will be playing at Cholmondeleys on March 15th. Again, for those of you newcomers, this is a coffee house on the Brandeis University Campus with we might add, a very nice kitchen!





AND IT ALL STARTED HERE

The Anniversary issue of BROADSIDE brings to mind some general thoughts about folk music in general and Boston folk music in particular. It has been observed often that all this coffee house and guitar business began about 20 years ago when the Lomaxes arrived in town with Leadbelly in tow and Woodie Guthrie soon to follow. The music of these two men and others like Big Bill Broonzy, Josh White and Brownie McGhee was "taken over" by the New York group of folksingers led by the Seeger family.

The post-war atmosphere around this group was full of anti-Nazi and pro-World brother-hood sentiments. It was only natural that these feelings should carry over to the music of these early pioneers of the American Folky Movement. Unfortunately, this spirit was carried out to absurd extremes and it became the fashion to sing blues, hillbilly, Scotch ballads and African lullabys all in a one plunk-a-plunk style just to show everyone that men are all the same the world over. The Weavers of course, are outstanding examples of this unfortunate concept. Pete Seeger is about the only one who could do this and get away with it.

But they were the firstest with the mostest and the New York style became the style and was the dominant force in folk music until the last few years.

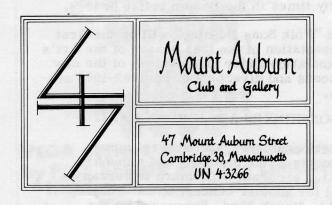
A few years ago, as all you chillun know, there was this girl, and she had long black hair, and one day she sang at the Newport Folk Festival and she signed a record contract and it sold many many copies and she became a national heroine and bought a house in Big Sur and a sports car. The important thing about this was that her success called attention to a new approach to folk music which had been brewing in Boston for several years and was very different from the approach which has been so popular for so long. It wasn't that she cared any less about peace and integration and things like that. Far from it. But she refused to let her political opinions get in the way of her music. She tried to sing everything the way it was really sung at the headwaters. And ethnic suddenly became a household word.

Slowly but surely the word has spread. Folk music has real potential as music and not just as platform for liberalism. The music sung by the people of the world is not all the same. Just because you sing blues as closely as possible to the way a Southern Negro might sing it, and bluegrass as close as possible to the way Lester Flatt sings it does not mean that you are a segregationist.

Joan Baez' Letter To The New Yorkers ushered in the ear of the specialist. Eric Von Schmidt doesn't sing "Homestead on the Farm". Jim Rooney doesn't sing "Goin' Down Slow". Don McSorely doesn't sing "Rag Mama". Jim Kweskin doesn't sing "Wee Cooper o' Fife".

The tide has turned. Being ethnic is beginning to sell. Bobby Darrin recorded Blind Lemon's "See that My Grave is Kept Clean" And it all started here. Aintcha proud?

J. Boyd



CRITIQUE III

Club 47, kiddies, and it was jammed. Before I get into the meat of the situation, let me compliment the management on getting to actually join, and for maintaining two of the coffee-housiest cats I have ever seen. Divertisement aplenty is the word in Harvard Square!

But I was touched that night, and I did enjoy myself enormously. For one thing, the house has a feel. You feel as if something could happen here, and even if it isn't happening right now. There is the smell of art there, and it is a good smell.

Also, that night, I met a poet. Not a versewriter mind you, but a real, hoenst-to-goodness poet who performed in poetry, and created poetry when he played. His stance was poetry. So was his attitude. His name all that I know of it is Fritz, and he plays the wash-tub bass. If he errs, it is on the side of a trifle too much volume. But when he plays softly - well - the only thing I can say is that Mozart would have like it. He sauntered to the stage, flung his long leg onto the tub and quite simply spoke through his instrument with a communication that I would not have believed possible. He was performing the true artistic rite by taking what was at hand and creating beauty fron it. What a crime that such a sound was teamed with the raucous wheezings of VS's unsympathetic harmonica playing! This man's subtle and evocative presentation deserves partnership with

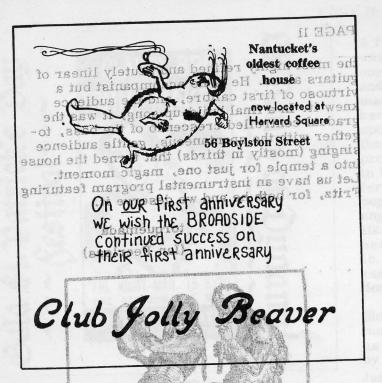
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the most highly refined and acutely linear of guitars alone. He is no accompanist but a virtuoso of first calibre, and the audience knew it. In a final build-up song, it was the gradual controlled crescendo of the bass, together with the spontaneous, gentle audience singing (mostly in thirds) that turned the house into a temple for just one, magic moment. Let us have an instrumental program featuring Fritz, for both he and we deserve it.

torquemada (Ian Peerless)







INTRODUCING FOLKSCENE - NEW YORK by Casey Anderson

Casey Anderson has asked us if we would be interested in a regular column which he would undertake to do and which would give the proponents of commercial folk music an occasional voice. We would be highly suspicious if this offer were made by anyone but Casey, for we know him to have a fine voice and a background knowledge of traditional music. It was a pleasant surprise to receive his recent letter, and we send thanks for his first contribution which you will find below.

FOLK SCENE - NEW YORK by Casey Anderson

I do believe that LISA KINDRED is a winner! She is a big healthy gal with a striking kind of beauty and a strength of personality that creates a truly exciting figure on the folk stage. Her comradein- arms is a jumbo twelve string guitar and she plays it with the facility that usually far exceeds the hum drum strummings of the typical female folk atrist. She uses her deep contralto voice with pleasing variety sometimes soft and warm like wild honey and sometimes heavy and strident with the urgency of true purpose and meaning. Her repertoire includes ballads, blues and other

good things as well...her particular treatment of Jesse Fuller's San Francisco Bay Blues will make you wonder why more female folk artists haven't given it a go, but

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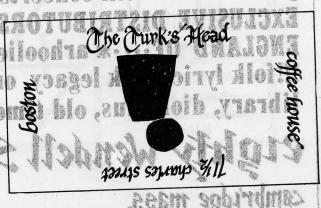
then again, they'd sort of have to have Lisa's special brand of gusto to make it live. She is an honest, conscientious professional folk artist; and I for one feel that there's a desperate need for more of her kind in our little corner of the show-biz world. Folk roses for LISA KINDRED as table of the show-bit world.

Follyfolk Platitude: FIVE STRING BANJOS DO NOT EAT THEIR YOUNG.

CASEY'S CAGE: Any good commercial folk performer who is worth his weight will all in guitar strings realizes the infinite of leaven value of good ethnic and traditional artists. It is their work that is the rock foundation of any commercial interpretation. Likewise won any ethnic performer worth his weight in any banjo heads recognizes the worth of a commercial folk artist and his ever modern contribution to the folk process.

created poetry when he played. His staZZYZZY Folkscene New York seems to have more assw than its share of milk on the breath, wet at IIs behind the ears kids, who while putting on wedt their Noxema to get rid of their you knowle abla whats listen to a couple of Library of Consiq ad gress Field Recordings and suddently conei year sider themselves authorities of the folk in sugar dustry. They go to all the Folkshows in town, no to blood suck and pick the bones of the performing artists of Then they stand around and ow sound off (to anyone who will isten) with a rolling pseudo-intellectual critiques that soon show asw them up as idiot-ignoramuses to those who in a even know a thimble-ful more. Ask them a DUST couple of pertinent questions and they begin nom unglued at their dental braces. WHATEVER evit HAPPENED TO THE KIDS WHO USED TO COME TO FOLKSHOWS AND ENJOY THEM-SELVES, AND THE ARTISTS WHO DIDN'T GIVE A HANG WHETHER THE PERFORMERS WERE ETHNIC OR COMMERCIAL AS LONG AS THEY HAD A GOOD TIME AND WERE ENTERTAINED?

A word in parting: NEVER HOCK A PIEBALD GUITAR.





THE CLANCY BOYS AND TOMMY MAKEM FROM IRELAND TO SHOW BUSINESS ON VOICE AND TIN WHISTLE

In 1953, three brothers, Paddy, Tom and Liam Clancy from County Tipperary, and Tommy Makem, a handsome lad from County Armagh, met briefly in Ireland. Now it was a legend among the fine, simple country folk that the Clancy Brothers had voices to charm the bees from Shamrock and Tommy Makem could penetrate even the cold heart of a leprechaun with the lilt of his little penny whistle. But the Clancys were from the South of Ireland and Tommy from the North and they met not again for many a year.

One by one the four boys left the dell and stream of Irish country side to come to the United States to seek their fortune. Being enterprising young men, each pursued his own career. The oldest, being Paddy, now called Pat -- started a record company called Tradition Records; Tom, the middle boy became a successful actor appearing in three

Broadway plays and many television shows, and the youngest, Liam, was also getting a start on an acting career. Tommy Makem was working as a solo singer.

On most weekends, the three brothers and Tommy whom they met again in 1956 would get together to sing songs of the old country out of the sheer joy of it and to bring them back in spirit to the green hills of the land of song. As is often the case with young singers, their friends urged them to sing together professionally. Finally they succumbed to the pressure and cut a record with Pat's company.

But with each of the boys having prior commitments, it was not possible to bring them together to perform. Finally in January of 1961, the Clancy Brothers and Tommy Makem auditioned at New York's "Blue Angel" night club.



They started slowly that night, each reaching into his own heart and memories to find the meaning of each song. They sang of the things they knew the best -- Ireland, its people, its legends, its quiet brooks, its lovely colleens, its joy and heartbreak. But the meanings were instantly clear, even to that urbane New York audience. They sang of Ireland, but it was everyone's home, everywhere. And through it all Tommy Makem's penny whistle piped its bitter-sweet lament. And all the critics raved about the boys from Ireland.

After that the boys threw aside all their other careers and plans except the record company. In the months that followed, they brought

their music again to the "Blue Angel", Chicago's "Playboy Club" and the 'Gate of Horn", "Freddie's" in Minneapolis, and the "Hungry I" in San Francisco. Their songs filled Carnegie Hall and Town Hall in New York and reached into the hearts of America's television viewers when they appeared on the "Ed Sullivan Show", "Tonight" show, and half a dozen other programs. Their songs have been also recorded by Columbia records and their own Tradition records.

Under consideration for a weekly television show of their own, and a lineup of night club and concert dates reaching far into the future, the Clancys, and Tommy can still charm the bees off the Shamrock and reach into the hard hearts of the Little People.

Those rollicking blades of Oulde Sod, THE CLANCY BROTHERS AND TOMMY MAKEM descend upon Boston Friday, March 15 in concert at Donelly Memorial Theatre. The two and a half hour performance will be a Gaelic gala, overflowing with wild whimsical songs of Erin. All Irish and Irish - for - the - day are welcome.

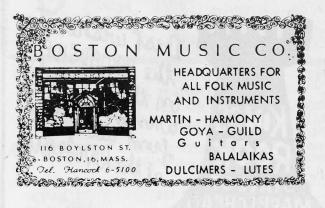
... AND COFFEE TOO

This, my children, is the only column which has been in every single issue of BROADSIDE that has come out and we are quite pleased that we have been that consistent. For a change, this issue, we would like to editorialize not at all, but just be a little newsy and a little chatty and leave the schedule for the end as we have been doing lately.



A fire at the LOFT has forced the management to close it down for awhile, but we are sure that they will return soon. Meanwhile, the TURKSHEAD is only a few steps down the street and with both sets of partons mingling there it must be pretty cozy. Surprised and delighted to find Tom long at the controls of the espresso machane when we dropped in there last week.

Difficulties have forced postponement of the KING'S ROOK AT IPSWICH until the first of April. Seems as if the tables and chairs are coming all the way from Oregon and it will take a little time.





The Silverleaf Quartet was a moment of magic at CLUB 47 last week and if you missed them we are sorry for you. They will be back and we urge you to drop over and see them.

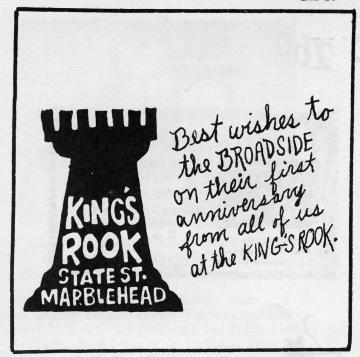
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	Muldaur
3/9	Charles River Valley Boys
3/10	Hootenanny with Jim Kweskin
3/11	Film: "Little Ceasar"
	Chaplin Short
	Serial: Kit Carson
3/12	Jackie Washington
3/13	Tom Rush
3/14	Rooney, Val and Applin
3/15	Jim Kweskin, Dayle Stanley, Geoff
	Muldaur
3/16	Charles River Valley Boys
3/17	Hootenanny with Dayle Stanley
3/18	Film: "W. C. Fields Festival"
	Chaplin Short
	New Serial
3/19	Jackie Washington
3/20	Tom Rush
3/21	Charles River Valley Boys
3/22	Jim Kweskin, Carol Langstaff and
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3/23	Rooney, Val and Applin
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A WORD FROM MITCH:

Folkmusic, my roomate once told me is a figment of folksinger's imaginations. Now while at the time he said this he was grasping for arguments to get me to put down my guitar and go to sleep, he did have a point. The truth is that once a certain version of a song becomes standard, the point of reference, not only is it no longer a folk song, but it thereby closes in on the point of sterility. In most cases, I think the qualities which make a folk song (using the word in its broadest sense) interesting and well, attractive, are just those aspects which depend upon a certain growingness or dynamism. And these qualities are, of course, lost when somebody in the back of the room turns to her date and says "But that just isn't the way Joan does it.

The most extreme answer to this problem (or rather, the approach which most uses the problem as justification) can be seen in the steady stream of crap that has followed the success of the Kingston Trio: folkmusic

in its anal stage perhaps. Of this group, the less said the better. For the most part, it's just lousy music.

A more reasonable and from my point of fiew the most generally successful answer has been to concentrate one's energies on a single type of music closely related to folk idioms, but wherein songs already have to an extent been standardized by people whose heritage has been on those idioms. The Boston area's two fine country music bands or to be specific Bill Keith's genius on the banjo point this out.

Others, (Geoff Muldaur, Tom Rush) have channelled their talents into "race record" blues and rhythm & blues, styles noted for the importance of the "original" recording as at least the point of departure if not the standard.

The final answer to the problem is the one most commonly tried and the onemost likely to fail. This is to combine two or three folk styles into something new but still "folk", an approach whose proponents include such diverse performers as Pete Stanley, Jackie Washington and Eric Von Schmidt. Now each of these three is a very good musician, and well worth hearing, but it seems to me that, of them, and if fact of all those in Boston who use this approach, only Von Schmidt with his combination of traditional blues, New Orlean's Jazz, ragtime and work songs



has produced a fully successful style. It's that difficult an accomplishment.

To sum up, then, folkmusic (still in its broadest sense) may very well be reduced in time to that part which my roommate calls a figment of the imagination. The "real" folksingers are becoming fewer and fewer. To make that remaining part worth listening to it is important it include as much of its origins as possible without becoming a scratchy record.

Mitch Greenhill



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