

Typical of the many Christmas parties sponsored by Florida square dance clubs was the above event held at Melbourne by the Allemanders. Over 100 club members and their families gathered for a turkey and ham dinner. Christmas carols were lead by Allemanders' caller Chuck Durant.

Roundup of Events for February:

South Lake Square-Up, Sebring Jamboree Top February's Calendar

THE WINTER square dance season nears its peak during February as one big dance after another is programmed around the state. Traveling callers seen this month in Florida include, Erv Elias, Bob Fisk, Harry Lackey, Ray McVay and Ed Merrick.

On Saturday, Feb. 1, Winter Garden's city auditorium will usher in the second annual South Lake Square-Up. Joe Johnson, Sam Prescott and Ed Newton are boked to call. Square and round dance workshops are planned for 2 to 5:30 p.m. New and old basics will be featured, and a 'gaiety ball' is scheduled for 8 to 11 p.m.

On the same day at Eau Gallie, the East Coast dancers contingent will hold a dance at the Civic Center with Ray Mc-Vey at the caller's mike. In Miami, Roger Chapman of Winter Haven will call for the Silver Spurs club, and in Naples the Sunshine Shufflers slate caller Bill Muench.

The Orlando Western Square Dance Council sets a graduation party for Joe Curtis' class on Tuesday, Feb. 4, at Robert E. Lee school, Orlando.

Square dance interest in the Sebring area perks up on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 7-8, with a jamboree featuring callers Eric Sohn and Bob Rust, with rounds by the Junkins. Headquarters for the jamboree, and after party site, is Clayton's Motel. The evening dance is booked for Woodlawn Cafetorium. Morning and afternoon workshops are planned.

Fort Myers rings out its annual Pageant of Light Festival with a square dance scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 12, at the Exhibition Building. Harry Lackey will be the caller and the dance is under the auspices of the Kriss Kross Squares. On the same Wednesday at St. Petersburg, Bob Fisk is featured at Ox Bow square dance hall.

Irv Elias continues his swing around the state by calling on Thursday, Feb. 13, at Auburndale Municipal Building spon-

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Red Carpet Out For Floridians At 13th National

California extends a special invitation to Florida square and round dancers to attend the "lucky 13th" annual National Square Dance Convention at Long Beach July 23-25.

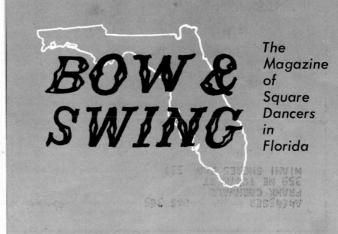
Harry and Helen Moore of Miami Beach, back home after a trip to California as members of the 13th National Executive Committee, report that emphasis for the West Coast convention will be on quality. "Only club and traveling callers will be programmed. And with 1100 callers and tens of thousands of dancers, this should be easy," report the Moores. Special effort is being made to attract out of state dancers, they added.

The Moores, chairmen for the 11th National held at Miami Beach in 1962, reviewed plans for the convention with other members of the executive committee, local and state officials, nationally known callers and round dance teachers, and officials of Disneyland. "Everything points to the most enjoyable national convention ever held," states Harry.

To make the trip to California more enjoyable, dancers are encouraged to attend the many trail dances being planned along the way. Several teen trail dances have already been scheduled. It is anticipated that dancers will soon receive data on all trail dances, tours, teen events and parties relating to the convention.

Some "firsts" for the national convention are as follows:

 A Parade of States with a float to represent each state. The floats are being constructed by California dancers, (Continued on page 2)



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13th National

(Continued from page 1) with three groups vying for the honor of building the Florida float.

· Outside hardwood floors adjacent to the convention hall and overlooking the Pacific Ocean will be used for dancing. It never rains in California in the summer(they say) and the evening air is cooler than the air conditioned hall.

· Disneyland has been reserved from 1:30 to 6.30 a.m. for the Saturday After. Admission will be \$5.25 per person, including all rides and attractions. The restaurants and food concessions will remain open, but food is not included in the admission price. As an added attraction, one of advance registration Disneyland tickets will win a grand prize-possibly a trip to Hawaii. They do things big in California and they promise that this prize will be worthwhile." states Moore.

Teen and pre-teen square dancing in California has a big following. A recent event attracted 2500 pre-teens. this saturation of young dancers, it is believed that teenagers and pre-teens will have the time of their lives at the convention. Teen trail dances are being scheduled for Wednesday night.

Round dancers will have two woodfloor ballrooms for dancing. 24 new dances of all levels will be taught, along with six panels and three clinics. Frank and Carolyn Hamilton, nationally known round dance teachers, are advisors for the round dance program.

Square dancing will be the "best of the best." With 3.4 acres of dancing floor space sound by Jim Hilton (a recognized authority on square dance sound) of Hilton Audio Products of Oakland, and hundreds of the best club and traveling callers, this convention promises to provide a memorable experience for square dancers.

Long Beach does not have the hundreds of hotel rooms adjacent to the convention hall like in Miami Beach, but freeways make all hotel and motel facilities only a few minutes away.

Ample parking space within easy walking distance is assured, states Moore. Parking lots are being leased and made available to the dancers on a 24-hour, in and out privilege, for 70 cents per day, according to present planning.

Information on post-convention vacationing will soon be available. To the south are San Diego and Mexico, and to the north are the huge redwood forests, and San Francisco, with its China Town and cable cars.

Square dance institutes are being scheduled to start immediately after the convention. And the Harvey Binders are taking a square dance group to Hawaii.

Now is the time to plan a trip to California. Additional data can be obtained from General Chairmen Norm and Joan Holloway, 5829 Oakbrook St., Long Beach, Calif. 90815. "Come dance on our shore in '64".

Sauare-Up on Feb.1 Will be Popular With Central Florida Square Dancers

JAY FENIMORE of Hollywood has been signed up for a May 2 dance at the Orlando Municipal Auditorium under auspices of the Orlando Western Square Dance Council with the cooperation of the Orlando Recreation Department, according to Robert Brown, president of the council. Dance will begin at 8 o'clock. Admission will be \$2 per couple.

Brown stated that Eric Sohn of Winter Haven has launched the last class of the season on Tuesday evenings at the Robert E. Lee School. Arrangements with the recreation department assure that the class will be continued even though a full complement of registrants is not ob-

☐ For dancers who plan ahead-the Orlando Municipal Auditorium has been reserved for June 17-18, 1966, for the Florida Square and Folk Dance Association.

☐ Tri-Squares of Eustis are now dancing to the calls of Dick Bishop of Inverness. . . a new class was graduated just before Christmas and plans are underway for a Washington's Birthday dance at Eustis Armory with Ed Merrick of Bluffton, S.C., as caller. . . another big date for area dancers is the annual fish fry and dance to be held April 3.

☐ The East Coast Dancers group welcomed 1964 with a colorful dance at the Tiger Den, Cocoa, with Jack Lasry of Miami calling the squares. . . at the stroke of 12, bewhiskered old 1963 (John Bratton) scythe in hand, was chased through the hall by the cherubic, diaper clad New Year baby (John Donelly). . . host club for the evening was the Canaveral Squares . . . rounds were

handled by John & Betty Jones of the Melrounders. . . East Coast dancers are looking forward to the Ray McVey dance on Saturday, Feb. 1, at Eau Gallie Civic

Eau Gallie Civic Center was sponsored by the Missile Twisters, Harbor City Squares, and Comet Club. . . callers were Jim Rice and George Hinkel, with Art Brammeier lending a helping hand. other clubs represented included the Sandy Shoes Steppers of Fort Pierce, Calico Cats of Vero Beach, Who Goofed Squares of Indian Harbor Beach, and Stars In Orbit R/D club of Melbourne. . upcoming events on the Missile Twisters calendar include a Feb. 11 Valentine's Dance and a March 24 Mad Hatters dance when all dancers will

Christmas party on Dec. 14 drew 106 dancers and their families. . . caller Chuck Durant and his wife and children joined in the program, and the club presented Chuck with a western belt adorned with 20 silver dollars.

Robert E. Lee school in Orlando starting Jan. 14. . . another class is underway with Jack Benz as teacher.

tion dance for classes started 20 weeks ago by Joe Curtis under auspices of the Orlando Western Square Dance Council. . . . all area dancers will be welcome to attend the affair which will be at the admission? . . . "Just bring a serving of light refreshments," says Council Chairman Bob Brown. "We have seven squares in the class," he adds. . . the council is considering Jay Fenimore as

☐ Attendance is excellent at Ocala Square Dance Club dances on Tuesdays at City Auditorium, reports Howard Rohrbacker of the city recreation department. . . Bob Rust handles calls for the club. . . Rust and Rohrbacker shared the caller's mike at the club's annual New Year's Eve party attended by 12 squares. . . the Christmas dance sponsored by Ocala Recreation Department drew 26 squares. . . all persons who ever

. . . Howard Rohrbacker started a new intermediate class of 102 persons on Jan. 9. . . class will continue for 12 weeks, every Thursday night, at City Audi-

torium.

☐ Graduation for a beginner class sponsored by the Missile Twisters club of Melbourne was held Jan. 14. . . club caller Jim Rice was instructor for the class. . . the Twisters slate a Sweetheart Ball for Feb. 11 at the Trailer Haven. . . the dance will start at 8 p.m.

☐ The big New Year's Eve dance at

have a chance to earn another badge. ☐ The Melbourne Allemanders'

☐ Eric Sohn is instructing a class at

☐ February 4 is date set for gradua-

Robert E. Lee school cafetorium. . caller for their May 2 dance, Brown

danced under recreation department auspices were invited to the Xmas dance.

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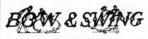
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West Coast President Bryan Seeks Dancer, Club Cooperation in 1964

Square dancers on Florida's West Coast are geared for the big Fifth Friday dance on Jan. 31 at Sarasota Armory. The sponsoring West Coast Association has Jim Pearson of St. Petersburg and J. P. Jett of Tampa booked to call. The program will begin at 8 p.m., with hash from 10:30 to 11:00 p.m. Admission charge for members is 50 cents; nominal charge for members.

West Coast President Matt Bryan of Tampa is seeking a stronger regional association for the 1964 dancing year and has enlisted the support of every

area square dancer.

"Our purpose is to promote new square and round dance classes, and clubs, encourage harmony and better relations between clubs and dancers, and to provide a better spirit of cooperation among callers, teachers and dancers."

In explaining the system under which the regional association operates, Bryan stated that "each club affiliated with WCSRDA has the opportunity to appoint one representative. The elected officers of WCSRDA are a president, vice president, treasurer, recording secretary, and corresponding secretary.

"These officers are elected from representatives of the various affiliated clubs. The president appoints a county vice president as liaison between club representatives and the WCSRDA.

"The General Council is composed of elected and appointed officers and the representative of each club. The council meets at each Fifth Friday Dance to discuss association problems.

"All clubs and dancers are urged to join WCSRDA and support us in our objectives so that 1964 will be a banner year for area and state square and round dancing."

☐ Caller Walt Wentworth is having capacity crowds every Saturday evening at Lealman Hall in St. Petersburg. . . dancing is relaxed, with all the new singing calls and some patter. . . every special occasion is celebrated-Christmas party, New Year's Eve dance until the wee hours of the morning, and next will be something special with the red and white theme for Valentine's Day . . . party night will be on Washington's Birthday, and Walt hopes everyone likes cherry pie! . . . Walt has four classes underway and was due to start two more in the middle of January-beginner and intermediate.

☐ The Sunshine Shufflers of Naples book Bill Muench, Irv Elias, Muench, and Ray McVey for successive Saturday nights beginning Feb. 1.

☐ St. Petersburg's Pairs & Squares have Walt Wentworth programmed for Feb. 21 at the YWCA.

☐ Winter Haven's Suzy Qs club will meet on Feb. 29 for a make-up dance at the Civic Center with Roger Chapman calling. ☐ Auburndale's Sunshine Swingers are set to sponsor Irv Elias of Waycross, Ga., for an open dance at the Municipal Building on Feb. 13. . . tickets may be purchased from any club member.

☐ Eric Sohn recently graduated a new class in **Sebring**... the new dancers plan to attend a Pirates' dance at Naples

and earn Knothead badges.

☐ Sebring's Highland Hoppers is all set for a square dance jamboree Feb. 7-8. . . Friday and Saturday night dances are programmed for Woodlawn Cafetorium from 8 to 11 p.m. . . morning and afternoon workshops are also on the agenda. . Clayton's Motel & Restaurant will serve as jamboree headquarters and after-party site . . Eric Sohn is to M.C., and Bob Rust will be guest caller. . . Vern & Fran Junkin will direct the rounds.

☐ 75 dancers attended the Circle Squares Christmas party on Dec. 17 at Tampa's Interbay Community Center... the party was under supervision of the Russ Bartletts, the Jim Langleys, and

the John Tillmans.

☐ Several more beginner classes are underway in the Tampa area. . . classes started Jan. 13 at Clearfield with Jim Galloway teaching, and on Jan. 9 at Grant Park with Bill Muench teaching. . . both classes are still open; meeting time is 8 p.m. . . intermediate classes are being continued by John James and

☐ Tampa's Forest Hillbillies will be dancing at the new City of Tamoa Recreation Center, 109 9th St., starting Feb. 6. . . caller is Jim Galloway, and

all dancers are invited.

☐ Sarasota's annual Round Dance
Spectacular was scheduled for Jan. 19 at
the local Civic Center. . . favorite dances
of the past decade were programmed by
Harold Eicher. . . sponsors were the
All-A-Round Club and members of the
Florida West Coast R/D Teachers Ass'n.

□ Ox Bow Hall in St. Petersburg has some top callers booked for winter appearances. . . on Feb. 12, Bob Fisk calls a dance that is scheduled to start at 8 p.m. . dancers will remember Fisk from his successful calling at the '62 National Convention at Miami Beach.

... Max Forsyth is slated for a March 15 date... this will be an all day session, with afternoon dancing to start at 2:30 p.m., and the evening dance at 7:30 p.m. Ox Bow leader Jim Pearson will also be on hand for this event... the dance is billed as the annual Sunday Shop "with all the dancing, fun and frolic that you can imagine with the one and only Max

☐ The First Sunday Round Dancers plan an outing for Feb. 2 at the Ox Bow, St. Petersburg. . . dance will start at 2:30 p.m. . . staff round dance leaders will include the Malhiots, the Ayrtons and the Pearsons.

Iry Elias to Call Feb. 29 Dance for **NE** Association

A LARGE troop of Jacksonville area dancers is expected to attend the Northeast association dance Feb. 29 at the Pythian Center, Jacksonville. The popular Irv Elias of Waycross, Ga., is the

programmed caller. ☐ The Capital Squares of Tallahassee combined the graduation of their third class with a club Christmas party on Dec. 20. . . Santa appeared to distribute the gifts. . . Dec. 27 the club held a farewell dance for Don Updegraph, president and caller, who is moving to Jackson, Mississippi. . . Leon Goff of Pelham, Georgia, is new club caller and will call dances four nights a month.

☐ The Merrysteppers of Gainesville held their annual New Year's Eve dance and party with the Allemanders and Bart Bartley's beginner class as guests. . . a covered dish feast was held after the New Year had been properly brought in . . the Merrysteppers scheduled Frankie

Lane for the Jan. 7 and Harper Smith for the Jan. 14 club dances.

☐ The Lake City Squares have booked Harper Smith for Jan. 11 at the National Guard Armory in Lake City.

☐ The Merry Mixers of Jacksonville held a post-Christmas dance at Terry Parker High School on Dec. 26. . . Herschell Lee, as caller for the dance. marked his last dance as club caller. . . Myron Samson will assume club calling duties with the New Year.

☐ Friendly Frolics hosted their annual New Year's Eve party in Jacksonville. . . about 16 squares had a ball with plenty of snacks and fine dancing to the calling of Herschell Lee, club caller, and guest callers Walter Knight and Jack Griffiths.

☐ The Paxon Prancers and Western Cutters of Jacksonville combined forces for a New Year's Eve dance and party. . . Reynolds and Elwood Sexton handled the calling duties.

☐ The Seaside Squares held a New Year's Eve dance and party in Jacksonville Beach. . . Joe Smith was caller for the event.

☐ The Paxon Prancers club had a square dance romance result in the marriage of Geraldine Kieffer, daughter of Gerald and Mary Kieffer, to Jack Garrahy on Dec. 14. . . a large number of dancers attended the wedding. . . Elwood Sexton is planning a workshop for the Paxon Prancers on Tuesday . . other dancers are welcome. . . dances will be held at the club hall, the Mary Hammond Youth Center . . . the Prancers put on exhibitions in December at the All-Saints Home for the Aged and at the Duval Medical Center.

☐ Many Northeast Florida dancers are expected to attend the Max Forsyth dance at Lake City Armory on March 19. . . the dance is under the auspices of the Tri-City dancers.

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Southeast Square Dance Clubs Slate Active Winter Dance Schedule

☐ The Florida Pirates Party staged Dec. 7 by the Lake Worth Promenaders was a real blast as caller Pete Sansom and shipmate Ernie Bass handled a hall filled with "swashbucklers". Pirate John Donelly of Palm Bay presented pirates with Golden Seahorse and Silver Starfish awards. . . for the evening's climax. Sansom called pirates through Barnacle Bill the Sailor, his version of the Florida Pirates theme

☐ The Grand Squares Club of Miami recently installed board members Bob & Betty Cheyney, Carl & Irma Dykes, Bill & Alma Fairchild, and Bill & Alice Mc-Ilvenny. . . club members dance at Northside Shopping Center, NW 79th St. and 27th Ave. . . Ted Barton was booked to call a free dance on Jan. 27 at North. side Shopping Center. . . Grand Squares will hold an anniversary party on Jan.

The Pioneers Club is now dancing at Hialealı Adult Center, 260 West 6th St. . . Paul Davis is president.

☐ The Hialeah Squares were due to sponsor Harper Smith on Jan. 15 at Hialeah Recreation Hall. . . Jim Hughes is the new club president.

Cloverleaf Squares of Miami gave Christmas gifts to the senior citizens at Golden Beach Sanatorium in lieu of exchanging gifts among club members. . . the Squares hope that other area clubs will follow this pattern next year.

☐ The Smoothies, a new square dance group with an unusual dance program directed by Jay Fenimore, will start dancing in February at Hollywood. ... this site was selected for the group for its convenience to most dancers interest-

ed in the Smoothies program.

Singing Swing club of South Miami, featuring a program of singing calls. had its initial session on Jan. 3 . . . much favorable response from dancers indicat ed a bright future for the club. . . Jay Fenimore calls this open dance at South Miami American Legion Hall.

☐ Caller Vern Johnson and his wife Wanetta have invited members of the Fort Lauderdale Shirts & Skirts and other area clubs to a free dance on Jan. 30 at the Lions Club, 114 SW 10th St. ... this is a fun dance scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m.

☐ The City of Miami is sponsoring a new adult and golden age program, including square dancing, at its nine rereation parks.

☐ A successful square and round dance party was held on New Year's Eve at Robert King High Park with Roy Sprague at the caller's mike. . . other callers on hand were George Hales, Jake Shelnut, Ed Clark, Bill Hawes.

A number of big New Year's Eve

dances were held by Miami area clubs. . . J. P. Jett called to a full house and Frank Lane called a closed dance at Home Federal Bank Bldg in Hallendale. . . Gordon & Edna Blaum had charge of a party sponsored by the Hurricanes, Dixie Rebels and Seminoles. . . Lew &

Carol Green held a party at Ox Bow Hall. . George Campbell called at Delray Beach, and a gala fling was held at the home of Leon & Posie Adler in Miami Beach.

Attendance at the Holiday for Rounds for the Key West Nautical Wheelers was up 500 percent in '63 and (Continued on page 10)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

31-SARASOTA - Fifth Friday Dance, West Coast FEBRUARY

1-EAU GALLIE-Ray McVey, Civic Center. East Coast Dancers.

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1-NAPLES-Bill Muench, Sunshine Shufflers.
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1-ORLANDO — Graduation dance, Robert E. Lee School, Joe Curtis. OWSDC.
7-8-ESBRING—Island Hoppers Jamboree with Rust

and Sohn.

8-MAPLES—Irv Elias, Sunshine Shufflers.

12-FORT MYERS—Pageant of Light dance, Harry
Lackev, Exhibition Bldg. Kriss Kross Squares.

12-ST PETERSBURG—Bob Fisk, Ox Bow Hall.

13-AUBURDALE—Irv Elias, Municipal Bldg. Sun-

14-MELBOURNE-Valentine dance, Trailer Haven.

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Elias, Pythian Center. 29—LEESBURG—Frank Bedell, Central Florida Ass'n

5-7—JEKYLL ISLAND, GA.—Jekyll Jamboree, Stukeys Carriage Inn. Harry Lackey, Irv Elias, Roger

Carriage Inn. Harry Lackey, Irv Elias, Roger Chapman, the Macks. 7—EAU GALLIE—Box Dubree, Civic Center. East Coast

15-ST. PETERSBURG - Sunday Shop with Max Forsyth, Ox Bow.

16—DELRAY BEACH—Dekko Deck dance, Briny Breezes

Aud., A1A between Boynton and Delray Beach.

19—LAKE CITY—Max Forsyth, Armory. Tri City.

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3-4-BIRMINGHAM, ALA., — 11th annual Alabama
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Lane, Manning & Nita Smith.
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18-MELBOURNE_Ruy Camp, Trailer Haven. East

Coast Dancers.

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BOW AND SWING . FEBRUARY, 1964

Moonlight Bay

Bow & Swing's Round of the Month for February is a smooth flowing, easy twostep called Moonlight Bay. The dance was written by Doyle & Lois Rush of St. Joseph, Missouri. Selection was made by Round Dance Coordinator Harry Howe of Miami Beach.

The introduction and all sequences

start in open position.

1-4 Wait; Wait; Apart, -, Point, -; Tog, -, Tch, -; Wait 2 Meas,; Step apart on L, point R twd ptr; Step together and slightly to RLOD on R, Tch L to R;

pir: Step together and slightly to RLOD on R.

14 Step. Close. Step. Brush; Step. Close. Step.

Brush; Fwd. Close, Back, Close; (Hitch) Walk

1-, 2-.; In LOD starting with M* L ft. Step

fwd L, close R, Step fwd L, Brush R; Repeat

starting with the M* R ft. Step fwd R. Close

LOD L, Close Rr. Step back Love Repeat

LOD L, Close Rr. Step back Love Repeat

LOD L, Close Rr. D. L. Step back Love Rr.

Louise Rr. Love Rr.

Step back Rr.

Step back Rr.

Step back Rr.

Step back Rr.

Change sides W going under M's R & her L

arm in 3 steps to end facing COH & W facing

wall 2. Step Rr.

Step Back Rr

2, 3, Tch; W again going under M's R arm. End facing wall & ptr. Assume Closed Dance Pos.

End Section was the ptr. Assume Closed Dance Pos.

Side, Close, Cross, -; Side, C. Cross, -; Tide, T. Cross, Tide, Brush, Tide, Close, Side, Brush; Cide, G. Cross, Side, Brush; Cide, Cross, Side, Brush; Cide, Cross, Tide, Brush; Cut, Back, Cut, Back, Apart, Tch, Tog, Tch; M moving twd COH & W TWD WALL. Step side L, close R, Side L, brush R; (As you brush bring the R ft diag, across and in front of the Side R Brush; C. Cross, Tide, Trop, Tide, Tide,

Round Dancer magazine selects the top 10 rounds for December as Dancing Shadows, Lazy Summer Days, Danke Shoen, I Hum a Waltz, Take Me Dancing, Lucky, That Happy Feeling, Stamp, Stamp, Stamp, Love Makes the World Go Round, Under Her Spell.

The current best sellers for February. according to Sets In Order magazine, are Walkin' to Kansas City, Hi Lili Hi Lo, I Hum a Waltz, Fraulein, Dancing

Shadows.

A round dance class was slated to begin Jan. 13 at Country Day School Hall, Bartow Road at Lemon, in Lakeland, directed by the Junkins. . . basic and intermediate dances were due to be programmed. . . the dances will continue on

every Monday evening at 8 p.m. Charles and Jewel Buckner are the new presidents of Eau Gallie's Stars in Orbit round dance club. . . new membership chairmen are Wayne and Vivian

Gould.

The Brammeiers are starting something new for round dancers in the Eau Gallie club this winter by giving a refresher course for dancers who have had basics but are not familiar with current dances. . . the course will wind up with a Leap Year Dance and graduation party for the beginners on Feb. 29.

Suncoast Round Dance Teachers Hold Meetings at Clearwater

Joe and Ruth Curtis of Orlando emceed the Dec. 15 meeting of the West Coast round dance teachers at Clearwater.

Rounds taught during the informal program included Sunny Side of the Street by Joe & Vi Markel, Happy Trumpeteer by John & Betty Grammer, Born to Dance by Verne & Fran Junkin, Kiss in the Dark by the Larsens, and Havana by Ed & Kay Mack.

Sunny Side of the Street was selected as the square dancers' round and Happy Trumpeteer as the round dancers' round.

Other round dance teachers present at the meeting were the Paul Trents, the Clare Malhiots, the Paul Ayrtons, the Harold Eichers, the Al Armstrongs and Lola Johnson.

Meeting at Clearwater on January 12. the round dance leaders selected Lonesome Two-Step, taught by the Ayrtons, as the square dancers' round. Emperors Waltz, taught by the Larsens, was chosen as the round dancers' round.

LETTERS

Editor, Bow & SWING:

It was a pleasure to compose the following poem in tribute to Oscar L. Erwin, our square dance instructor here in Daytona Beach. Class members thought the poem had entertainment value of interest to Florida square dancers.

All hail to thee, Brave Oscar! Your battle you have won. Each of us 10 had two left feet. But you've taught us to dance as one. Before we all had met you We surely were not aware.

Of what to do with a right and left

In these dances that you call square. When talking of "we" in this fractured

We mean Fred, Bert and Gloria, George and Rose.

Now don't omit Rene, Dotty and Beryl With Travis and Liston who Yankee twirl.

Well we wheel and deal and Daisy Chain But the "teacup" bit sure gives us a pain. So on with the Swing and the Back-Up

And give us some more of the Allemande Thar.

We'll remember your smile in the Alamo Style

And your Oceans we'll every Wave. And we'll Curley and Suzy the Cues for you,

'Cause Oscar, vou sure were brave. MRS. BERYL H. WALLACE

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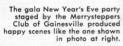
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The Missile Twisters club of Melbourne held a graduation party and dance on Jan. 14 for dancers completing Jim Rice's series of instruction sessions. At left, class poses with diplomas awarded by Jim Rice (foreground).







New Year's Eve at Eau Gallie Civic Center was celebrated by square dancers from the Missile Twisters, Harbor City Squares and Comet Club. Photo at left shows some of the happy dancers.

Whistling Piano Man

THE WHISTLING Piano Man is Bow & SWING'S Square of the Month for February. Recorded on Lore 1051, the dance is called by Johnny Creel of Metairie. Louisiana, with music by the Southern-

Selection was made by Square Dance Coordinator Jay Fenimore of Hollywood. Join hands and circle left, circle round that ring Allemande left that corner, come back and

promenade

romenade that lady, keep going don't slow down our little ladies back track, go walking round that town

ound that town
your partner right hand round,
hat corner allemande

that corner allemande
Come back one and promenade, go walking
hand in hand
Promenade around that ring, the best way you can
Dancing with that Whistling Piano Man.

Figure: One and three lead to the right, circle

One and three lead to the right, circle
One and three lead to the right, circle
One and that tack
Hend gents brees, make a line, go walking
up and back
Pass thru and wheel across, then do a
right and left thru
Turn your girl and cross trail, swing
that corner Sue
Swing that corner girl around, new
corner allemande
corner allemande
or and around that ring, the best way you can
Dancing with that Whist'ing Piano Man.
NOTE: WHEEL ACROSS: From a facing out position, couples change places, and face back in.
Workshop section of Sets in Order for

Workshop section of Sets In Order for January features Always Moving and After Christmas by Gordon Blaum of Miami, the singing call Oh, By Jingo by J. P. Jett of Tampa, and the contra E-Z Duz It by Don Armstrong of New Port Richey.

Nautical Wheelers' caller Doc Groat and wife Jean of Key West recently returned from an Idaho vacation laden with dance figures they enjoyed with the Crispinos.

Jim & Noriene Pearson and George Campbell announce reservations are now being accepted for the 1964 summer program at Rainbow Lake Lodge Square Dance Institute, Brevard, North Carolina ... the Rainbow Lodge, a mountain resort with many recreation facilities. . . workshops and evening dances are programmed. . . .three week-long sessions are planned; July 26-Aug. 1, Aug. 2-Aug. 8, Aug. 9-Aug. 15.

Ray Castle's workshop at Naples is going strong each Tuesday night at 8:30

at Naples Federal Bldg.

Roger Chapman was due to have a kickoff for a Monday night beginner square dance class starting Jan. 27 at Auburndale Municipal Bldg.

Joe Curtis will graduate two classes in February, one at Orlando on Feb. 4 and one at Sanford on Feb. 5.

Lew Green is slated to call the fourth anniversary dance for Miami's Dixie Twirlers on Feb. 7. . . Green also calls for the Ox Bow Squares.

Irv Elias is booked for Feb. 29 Leap Year dance sponsored by the Northeast Association. . . dance will be held at Jacksonville's Pythian Center.

Joe Smith teaches beginners on Mondays at Jacksonville Beach bandshell under auspices of the Seaside Squares. . . . Elwood Sexton has a Tuesday workshop at Mary Hammond Youth Center. Jacksonville.

Max Forsyth will make a swing around the state during March with dances booked at the Ox Bow, St. Petersburg, on March 16, and at the Armory, Lake City. on March 19.

Bob Dubree is booked by the East Coast Dancers for March 7 at Eau Gallie.

Roundup

(Continued from page 1) sored by the Sunshine Swingers.

A Valentine dance is programmed at the Trailer Haven in Melbourne for Friday. Feb. 14. Jim Rice is the caller, and the Missile Twisters club will be host.

Bill Muench returns to Naples on Saturday. Feb. 15, to call for the Sunshine Shufflers. The following Saturday night, Feb. 22, the Shufflers plan to dance to Ray McVey's calls.

Also on Feb. 22, Central Florida dancers will participate in the Ed Merrick dance that is billed for the Eustis Armory. The Tri Squares club will sponsor this event

The monthly Northeast Association dance is planned for Saturday, Feb. 29. at Jacksonville's Pythian Center with Irv Elias calling.

The fourth annual Cancer Benefit Dance in Lakeland is also set for Feb. 29. This event will be held at the Civic Center with Sam Prescott and Joe Johnson handling the calls.

The Central Florida Square Dancers Association programs Frank Bedell to call in Leesburg on Feb. 29 to round out a most active month for state square dance enthusiasts.

LETTERS

Editor, Bow & SWING

As you may already know "Doc" passed away Tuesday, January 7. He went with his boots on, as he always wanted to do. He was proud of the fine reputation Windsor had attained and his greatest wishes were that Windsor Records continue.

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Committees at Work on 11th State Convention

Registration procedure, housing, and promotion for the 11th annual State Square Dance Convention were discussed Jan. 10 at West Hollywood by convention committeemen.

The big state show is scheduled for June 19-20 at the DiLido Hotel, Miami Beach. George Watters, president of the Southeast Florida Square and Round Dance Association, is convention chair-

Registration times on Thursday, June 18. were set for 2-5 p.m. and 7-8 p.m., with white ribbons to be issued. On Friday, June 19, registration is open all day except for a two hour interval around noontime. Evening registration is also slated. White ribbons will be issued together with white cards crossed with a red line for the evening dance only.

On Saturday, June 20, registration hours are the same as the previous day. Plain white cards, with no ribbon, will be issued to registrants. Non-dancers will sign a guest book at a table separate from that used by dancing registrants.

With the exception of the First Aid Committee, all administrative posts for the convention have been filled. Watters was to ask Bob & Marilyn Cook to head the First Aid committee.

Sophia Gaby reported that the Delano and Sagamore Hotels have been selected for housing the convention crowd.

On other business, brochure advertising was discussed and rental of booths planned. Ribbons for early bird registrants will be returned by mail to registrants.

The next committee meeting is booked for George Watters' home on Feb. 14,

New Officers

☐ The Merry Mixers of Jacksonville have elected Carl Law, president; Cullen Glover, vice president; Bettie Osborn, secretary; and Bill Skiles, treasurer.

☐ Gainesville's Allemanders recently elected Tom & Ellen Collins as president.

other officers are Jimmy & Audie Ledbetter, vice president; Roger & Rose Hansen, secretary; and Dalson & Dorothy Esry, treasurer.

□ New officers for Jacksonville's

Western Cutters are Leon & Bea Smith, president; Paul & Jean Tate, vice president; Ken & Lillian Worthington, secretary; and Bill & June Stegall, treasurer.

☐ Seaside Squares of Jacksonville Beach have elected Eddie Edge as president . . . other officers are Mitch Wright, vice president; Alice Mendrinos, secretary; Mary Lou Pattillo, treasurer; and Richard Steeves, association delegate.

☐ The new slate of officers for Key West's Nautical Wheelers are Merrill Pease, president; Nick Nolte, vice president: and Tom Balcerzak, secretarytreasurer.

☐ New president of Sebring's Highland Hoppers is Don & Frances Ridlev. ... other officers are Al & Aggie Wash. ington, vice president; David & Elsie Hutton, secretary; Jimmy & Wanda Whitehouse, treasurer.

□ Ed & Thelma Campbell have as-

sumed the president's duties of the Hollywood Beachcombers. . . other officers are Don & Joydell Teets, vice president; Bill & Dot Smith, secretary; and Ted & Dora Fine, treasurer.

☐ New officers of Miami's Dixie Rebels include Bob Stubbs, president; Paul Nasrallah, vice president; Lillian Hinds, secretary; and Harvey Tullgren,

☐ Dave & Sally Tyson are new presidents of Miami's Hayloft Squares.

□ New officers of the Fort Pierce Sandy Shoes Steppers are the Ronald Coles, president; the William Stuhrs, vice president; the Ralph Quimbys, secretary - treasurer; the Ed Cooks, publicity.

☐ Miami's Hurricane Squares have elected Cliff Petty, president; Dave Powell, vice president; Sarah, Cadenhead, secretary; Bill Swope, treasurer.

Dekko Deck is booked for a March 16 dance at Briny Breezes Auditorium, A1A between Boynton and Delray Beach.

☐ Miami's Dixie Twirlers plans its fourth anniversary dance for Feb. 7 at 285 N.W. 71st St., Miami. . . skits and stunts are featured, and the caller will be Lew Green.

Southeast News

(Continued from page 6) more interest is expected for the '64 event. . . . the Wheelers will have a new square dance class underway in February.

☐ Miami's Gold Coaster club has Roger Chapman programmed for Jan. 31. . . the Silver Spurs have Chapman booked for Feb. 1.

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THE GREAT increase in the popularity of the square dance is one of the major social phenomena of recent years, with clubs and groups multiplying in a chain reaction. It has become a vital part of the public recreation movement, and schools and universities have absorbed it into their educational program.

This leads us to ask: What is the value of square dancing? What does this folk art offer to the individual performer?

In common with general dancing it offers pleasant association between sexes, and the release of various tensions through the enjoyment of rhythmic motion set to melody. And there are the obvious benefits of regulated exercise. However, square dancing (including the contra) has unique advantages and values that set it apart from nearly any other recreational activity.

As an art, dancing can be divided into two types: participating, in which all take part; and spectacular, in which highly skilled dancers perform for others to watch. Square dancing is a real participation activity, and is distinguished by a high degree of sociability. In no other dance are both men and women mixed so often, and become so mutually interdependent for a successful performance as in the square.

This active, mixed participation and team performance gives emotional benefits and psychic satisfactions absent from passive or solo recreational activities like watching, listening, and reading. Human relations are not very likely improved by that which is purely intellectual or solitary, or where emotions and feeling are not affected by any great extent. Nor are they improved to any appreciable degree by recreations, clubs, and groups which restrict wide social contacts.

The spirit of this dance is hard to describe, but is easily felt and understood as one learns its performance.

The tempo of the music is fast, emphatic, and steady. When this music is combined with coordinated physical performance and congenial social contact in the square it gives a quick feeling of wellbeing and a glow of inner satisfaction.

The square dissipates petty purposes, empty formalities and sectional differences. Learning to dance and joining together in the same set helps give a group of people, no matter what their background, a feeling of cooperation and genuine oneness.

No one can make a better investment for him or herself than to join the nearest square dance club or group, and become a regular booster and supporter.