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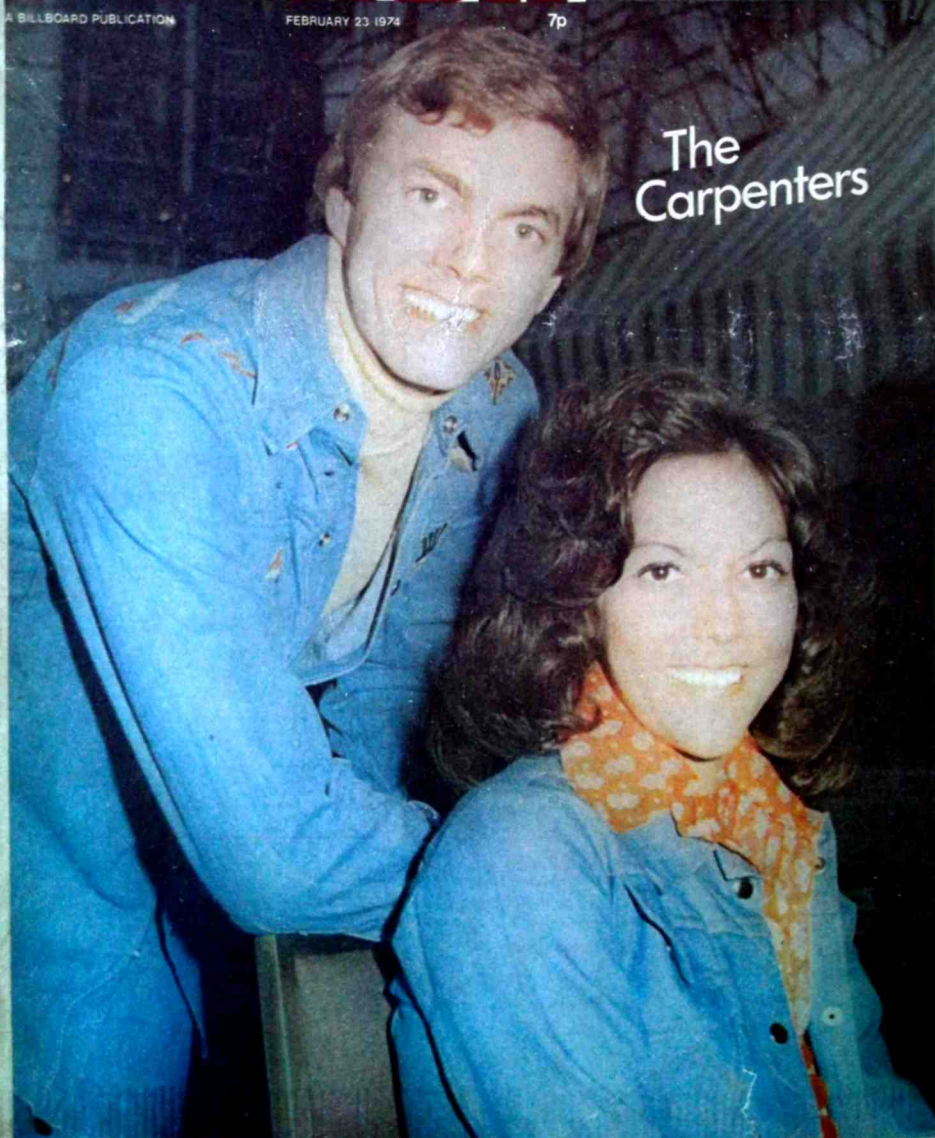
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## Caravan face ban

CARAVAN have been refused permission to appear with the New Symphonic Orchestra at the Royal Albert Hall on the grounds that they are "a rock band".

The group were looking for a suitable venue over the Easter period to give a performance with the orchestra who are featured on their new album, Caravan And The New Symphonic due for release on March 29. The album was recorded at London's Theatre Royal at the latter end of '73.

Meanwhile the group are continuing their search for a suitable venue said a spokesman.

## Roy ill

WIZZARD had to cancel two dates on their current British tour last week when Roy Wood was taken ill with a suspected stomach ulcer and ordered to rest for three to four days.

Dates in Cardiff and Southport were abandoned but a spokesman for the group said that Wizzard were hoping to fit in the affected venues later in the tour.

## And now for . . .

MONTY PYTHON'S Flying Circus comes to town next week. The team are staging their First Farewell Tour at London's Drury Lane Theatre for two weeks from February 26. The show will include all their old favourites with animated film and television clips and some numbers from their albums.

## Osmonds' legal tangle means

# No discs

THERE WILL be no new Osmond records released in this country until a legal tangle has been sorted out between the family and MGM, the American record company through which the Osmonds work.

RRM understands that the Osmonds are presently suing MGM although the exact details are not known. As a result of this Polydor, the record company handling the Osmonds in England, is not receiving any Osmond

tapes.

Said a Polydor spokesman: "We don't know what it's all about since we haven't been told. The Osmonds records we release have to go through MGM and at the moment we're not getting any tapes."

This means that plans for a new Osmond album have had to be shelved, but Jimmy Osmond's new single, I'm Going To Knock On Your Door, will be released on March 15 since the tapes reached Polydor before the trouble.



# CASSIDY - two dates

DAVID CASSIDY, in Britain in the Spring, will play two dates - on May 24 he will be in concert at Glasgow's Shawfield Stadium and on May 26 at the White City Stadium, London.

Promoter Mel Bush is staging both concerts and plans are in hand to ensure the highest degree of safety for the audiences.

Although White City has a capacity of 60,000, only 40,000 tickets are

being sold as a precaution against crushing.

To enable everyone in the stadium to have a good view of David, a giant video screen is being set up over the stage.

Tickets for the London concert which starts at 8 pm will be on sale from 12 noon Sunday, March 10, at the White City (Tel: 01 743 5544), but postal applications will be accepted before this date

provided they are accompanied by a S.A.E. and all cheques and postal orders are made payable to Mel Bush Organisation, Ltd. Tickets are also available from London Theatre Bookings. Bookings will be divided into two cate-

gories: centre grass area and stands and terraces. All are priced at £2.20. At Glasgow the capacity will be 15,000 and again tickets go on sale from 12 noon, March 10. They will be available from the Apollo Centre, Renfield Street, Glasgow

(Tel: 041 332 6726) and from Focus, Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow (Tel: 041 333 4442).

Tickets are priced at £2 and the same conditions apply to postal applications. The concert starts at 8 pm, doors open 6 pm.

## Cat's world tour

CAT STEVENS embarks on a three to four month world tour in March which includes several British dates culminating with a two-day appearance at London's Theatre Royal, Drury Lane on March 27/28.

Touring with Cat and Gerry Conway, Jean Roussel and Alan Davies, the musicians who worked on his recently completed album due for release in March.

Other British dates an-



nounced Glasgow Apollo (March 19); Newcastle Odeon (21); Liverpool Empire (23); Oxford New Theatre (24); Coventry Theatre (31).

## Steeleye in Eire

STEELEYE SPAN, whose single Thomas The Rhymers has just been released, will do a short tour of Eire next month to debut their new stage act. Dates are Savoy Cinema, Cork (Mar. 6); Savoy Cinema, Limerick (Mar. 7); Stadium, Dublin (Mar. 8).

Immediately after these gigs the group fly to San Francisco to support Yes for the final week of their US tour. Steeleye Span will then continue to tour America until the end of April.

The group can be heard on Sounds On Sunday on March 17 and will be recording shows for John Peel and Bob Harris in the next few weeks.

## Grech switch

Ex-Traffic and Blind Faith bass player, Rick Grech has joined Charge replacing Alan Spencer. The band's first album, Charge, is soon to be released on the Fresh Air label.

## Vee side

TWO new albums featuring Bobby Vee and The Ventures are to be released by United Artists this month as part of a Rock 'n' Roll Jamboree.

A double album containing original versions of golden oldies titled The Many Sides Of Rock 'n' Roll is also due for release.

United Artists will also be releasing E.P.s featuring such names as Johnny and The Hurricanes, Jan and Dean, Garnet Mimms and P. J. Proby.

## Mann delay

MANFRED MANN'S Earth Band, back in England after a highly successful tour of the States with Uriah Heep are back in the studios recording for their next album. Unfortunately due to the vinyl shortage release of their single has been put back to March 8.

## Ruffin signs

JIMMY RUFFIN is signed up to start a mammoth five month tour on March 10. Meanwhile his latest single, Tell Me What You Want, has just been released by Polydor.

## More Gas

GAS WORKS have added drummer Roger Chantler to their line-up. The band's February dates see them at Birmingham College of Education (Feb. 20), Northampton College of Education (Feb. 21), Manchester University (Feb. 23), Reading Town Hall (Feb. 26), Trinity College, Carmarthen (Feb. 28), East Riding College of Agriculture (Feb. 28).

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