GARY GLITTER, who's famous for his glitter, got some of that glitter stolen in Rome (\$50,000 worth to be exact—thieves got into his dressing room and stole equipment and costumes while he was performing on stage). . . . WILSON PICKETT just spent some time in Japan, doing a series of concerts, nightclub appearances and a TV special—he brought some SOUL to Japan and really enjoyed his first visit there. And JOSE FELICIANO came back from Japan recently, too, and is now on tour in Mexico and soon in Europe. . . . It's a shame about the POINTER SISTERS, isn't it? Just when the group is really making it big, JUNE comes down with mononucleosis and has to drop from the act. So now the three remaining POINTERS are on



Mac Davis can do no wrong. He was doing great when he wrote songs but singing has made him more successful!

their own, with no replacement in sight (although it's rumored that JUNE hopes to rejoin them after recovering).... PAUL McCARTNEY and his LINDA (along with their kids) were in Hollywood for the Academy Awards (their "Live And Let Die" was nominated as the best movie song, although it lost out to "The Way We Were." PAUL told us he thought "The Way We Were" would get it, but he says that's OK 'cos he won in 1971 for the score of "Let It Be." PAUL was also in town to re-negotiate his recording contract with Capitol Records (they distribute Apple Records, the label the BEATLES started for their own recordings). PAUL and his group WINGS have a super winner with their "Band On The Run" album-every song in the album is so familiar because the radio stations play every cut and not just the songs the record company puts out as the "singles." PAUL is sporting a beard again-the day he was up to our offices, I have to say he looked a bit in disarray, and we all liked him better without his beard (even though he has such a baby face!). And, PAUL, you've gained a little weight around the tummy (and they say success goes to your head).... BARRY WHITE (you remember his "I'm Gonna Love You Just A Little More" and the accompanying sound effects and sexy voice??) will be starring in a movie, "Coon Skin." Somehow BARRY isn't quite like you'd expect after hearing his voice, and we think a lot of his fans who have missed seeing him in person or on TV will be surprised! BARRY's previous professional past includes bricklaying, carpentry and-believe it or not-hairdressing! He definitely does not look like a hairdresser!... We know you're as happy as we are to

see MAC DAVIS with his own summer music-variety series! We thought MAC ought to have one last year, but it didn't work out that way-his "Stop And Smell The Roses" album (his latest) is definitely one of his best. And of course his current single from the LP is "One Hell Of A Woman."... If you've seen THE De-FRANCOS singing "Save The Last Dance" and their other great hits on TV, write us and tell us what you think about their new song! ... RICK SPRINGFIELD has his first single out with his new group SPRING-FIELD, MASS. (cute name!)-although we don't think it will go down in history, sorry to say, RICK penned it to fit in with the current streaking craze-"Streakin'. Across the USA." Although it was the best of the bunch (there were a lot of suddenly-released records about streaking!), we're kinda surprised at RICK. Not too many spur-of-the-moment singles like this make it really big, and RICK took a chance that his could've been "it"! It's rumored that RICK is a little sorry he'd written a "streaking" song-although he wouldn't mind doing it, he said! Since the record, his bass player and drummer didn't work out with the group and RICK's been in the process of replacing them. The change forced him to postpone his appearances at The Troubador in Los Angeles.... Speaking of streaking,



The "Tower of Power Horn Section" is bringing brass sound back, thanks to "Chicago's" lead four years ago.

TODD RUNDGREN played a concert at the University of South Carolina recently where he'd heard rumors of a "streak" during the performance. He knew how to handle it, though-he said that if they'd wait until AFTER the show, he'd join them! And, true to his word, after the concert he, fellow singer M. FROG and 50 streakers bounded across the campus! There were also some streakers at a NEW YORK DOLLS concert in New Jersey-but contrary to rumors, the streakers dashing from aisle to aisle weren't the **DOLLS** themselves, they were a dozen of the theater's ushers and security guards (what did they do with their flashlights??).... THE SEEKERS, we hear, are truly back together again and back in the studio recording-although as we print this, they haven't yet signed with a record company. Think they can make it big again? We hope so!... No, THREE DOG

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