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ON THE JAZZ SCENE .. Following one surprisingly successful album...Herb Alpert and Hugh Masakela.. the men with the Latin trumpet and flugelhorn sounds....have returned for an encore. Many thought Alpert and

Masakela were an unlikely combination when they did an album together last year. But to the surprise of many.. the album went over well and now, the two have cut a live

This one's called "The Main Event, Herb Alpert and Hugh Masakela" on A&M Records.

The album was recorded this year at the Roxy Club. this year at the room.

This album is very good in sports. At times, it makes you sports were almost inside feel you were almost inside the club watching the two, however, I fear that Herb and Hugh at times go a little too deep into their Latin traditions

for many people to appreciate.

Trumpet man Alpert plays with a vigor not present on

previous recordings.
The "Best of Lonnie Liston
Smith"...now available on
RCA Records...would be a
good collector's item for his

It takes Lonnie all the way back to songs like "Expansions" and also contains other memorable cuts by this key-board master, including "Starlight" and "Voodoo Woman.

The word is that Lonnie may have another live album on market

Bobby "The Genie" Lyle

Bobby "The Genie" Lyle has released a long-awaited album on Capitol Records. It's entitled "The New Warrior." People are still playing Lyle's debut album of last year which earned him his nickname...And Bobby showed that album was no fluke by ed that album was no fluke by releasing another album early this year



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who received a big help from trombonist Wayne Henderson. Lyle works well with per-

cussionist Harvey Mason and guitarist David T. Walker on "Groove-Ain't No Doubt Abo-ut It," Good Inside", and the title tune.

Billy Cobham's latest album "Simplicity of Expression', on Columbia Records may as well have been sides three and four to his previous album, called "Inner Conflict."

Much of the same rhythms and music, as usual, however, Billy amazes with his energy and strength on the drums.

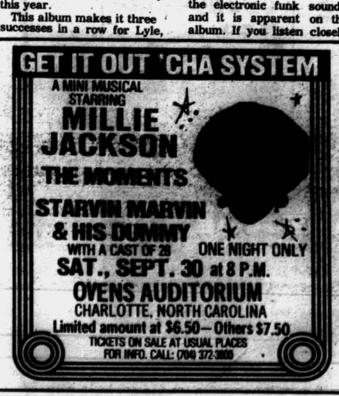
You'll notice quite a difference in the new album in the new Cobham...and the one that played on "Crosswinds" two years ago. The arrange-ment of his music is much better...which means you can now buy a Billy Cobham album without just listening to Billy beat on the drums.

A good new sound from Ashford and Simpson is in town. This one's entitled "Is It Still Good To Ya." Very versatile album....and as usual.. the duo, who are also husband and wife, are very entertainingon record.

You will probably be hearing "Aint't It A Shame" or the title cut on the air-waves...And another interesting cut is "Get Up And Do Something."

Rose Royce's new album should do very well. It's called "Rose Royce Strikes Again." The group has undergone tremendous improvement since Norman Whitfield began producing their albums Hair their albums Hair their albums Hair their albums Hair their albums their albu ducing their albums. He's the man responsible for so many of the Temptationshits all years.

Whitfield was a pioneer of the electronic funk sou and it is apparent on this album. If you listen closely.



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