MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU

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KRLA BEAT

Our Christmas Card To You...

HOLLYWOOD—The old year is on its way out, and '65 is almost here. We hope its been a good year for you . . . you've sure made it a good year for us! No, we don't mean the fact that you've made us the number one radio station in Los Angeles, or the fact that so many of you became KRLAers during the year. What do we mean? Well, let's take it from the top:

THE BEATLES

Last year at this time, only one or two people had hopped on the Beatles bandwagon. Oh, sure, their record had been released, and it looked like "I Want To Hold Your Hand" was going to be a hit. So what? Lots of records had been hits, but no one went ape over the singer. Then, like an avalanche, Beatlemania hit America. And things began to change. Things became fun again! For so long it had been "cool" to be cool . . . to go through life without letting anything affect you. The Beatles changed all that. Suddenly, it was "cool" to be yourself, to laugh when you wanted to, to enjoy yourself.

JUST RIGHT FOR KRLA

The change was perfect for us! Our djs knew how to have fun over the air, and now that they had the chance to do it . . . no holds were barred! (After all, what other station in the world had djs who would stow away on board a plane . . . with the Beatles helping to hide them?) If you have ever been to KRLA, you can see that to our djs, working at KRLA isn't work . . . they have as much fun on the air as you do listening to them! Because of you, we've been able to bring in all the top groups, have them on the air, and start the KRLA Beat, the first paper of its kind in the world.

That's your Christmas present from us. Its the best gift

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KRLA TOP THIRTY

1. COME SEE ABOUT ME The Supremes
2. FELLE FINE/SHE'S A WOMAN The Beatles
3. THE JERK The Larks
4. MR. LONELY Bobby Vinton
5. LOST THAT LOVIN' FEELIN' Righteous Bros.
6. WALKING IN THE RAIN The Benettas
7. BABY DON'T GO Sonny & Cher
8. OPPORTUNITY The Jewels
9. MOUNTAIN OF LOVE Johnny Rivers
10. LEADER OF THE PACK The Shangri-Las
11. TIME IS ON MY SIDE The Rolling Stones
12. THOU SHALT NOT STEAL Dick & DeDee
13. I'M INTO SOMETHING GOOD Herman's Hermits
14. WALK AWAY Matt Monro
15. BABY LOVE The Supremes
16. IF YOU WANT THIS LOVE Bunny Knight
17. GOIN' OUT OF MY HEAD Little Anthony
18. NEEDLE IN A HAYSTACK The Velvellettes
19. RIGHT OR WRONG Ronnie Dove
20. SHE'S NOT THERE The Zombies
21. THAT'S WHAT LOVE IS MADE OF The Miracles
22. WILLOW WEEP FOR ME Chedd & Jeremy
23. DANCE DANCE DANCE The Beach Boys
24. HOW SWEET IT IS Marvin Gaye
25. UNLESS YOU CARE Terry Black
26. AMEN The Impressions
27. AS TEARS GO BY Marianne Faithful
28. COME A LITTLE BIT CLOSER Joy & The Americans
29. SCRATCHY Travis Wmark
30. REACH OUT FOR ME Dionne Warwick

TOP TEN UP AND COMERS

1. I'll Be There Gerry & Pacemakers
2. Little Red Rooster Rolling Stones
3. All Day & All of Night The Kinks
4. Boom Boom The Animals
5. Give Him a Big Kiss Shangri-Las
6. Promised Land Chuck Berry
7. Downtown Petula Clark
8. Look of Love Lesley Gore
9. Keep Searchin' Del Shannon
10. Wild Side of Life Tommy Quickly

HI, HULLABALOERS!

This week I'd like to take the time to say something to everyone of you . . . something that comes from my heart. This year has been the most fantastic year of my life, I don't deserve the credit for it, either. YOU are the ones who have made this year so great . . . and I don't know how to thank you enough. It's hard for me to believe that you've done so much for me . . . I only wish there was some way I could tell you how thankful I am, I wish I could thank everyone of you personally . . . someday, maybe I'll be able to. Those of you who have come down to the station just to see me, those of you who write to me every day, those of you who show up at shows .. . you could never know how much you make me feel. I only hope this year is as great as you for you have made it for me. Thank you . . . for everything.

HERMITS IN ACCIDENT

PASADENA—Herman's Hermits, of "I'm Into Something Good" and "Show Me Girl" fame, were involved in a freeway accident while on their way to visit KRLA before they left town.

The accident happened on the exit of the Pasadena Freeway. They were in the car with Peter Grant, their agent, and a freelance photographer. They were stopped for a red light, another car, who didn't see that their car was stopped, hit them from behind. The boys were all shaken up, and there was extensive damage done to the car they were riding in.

Fortunately, none of the injury.
Herman and the Hermits wait for the elevator to their rooms. Left to right: Barry, Derek, 'Herman' (real name: Peter Noone), Karl, and Derek. They range in ages from 17 to 21.

How's this for a chorus line? Maybe they won't replace the Rockets, but who cares? Of all the groups KRLA BEAT has worked with, this one was the most down to earth and unaffected. They're a real gas!

Karl and Keith grab a minute's rest while they can. The group left for England last Tuesday, but will be back April 16. (It's unbelievable how good looking they are in person! They can't wait to be back!)

How to change an American into an Englishman in three easy lessons. Here, Herman (with the help of the Hermits) gives Clive Evans, their promotion man, an "English" hairstyle. It looked good!

Guess who Herman is talking to? It's the old Suzzy one himself! Herman had heard of Dave all the way over in England, and Dave was the first person he called when they got in! Dave talked to Herman on the aeroplane.

Herman talks to Dave, two of the Hermits read the KRLA BEAT. They were excited to see that their song was number one on KRLA! They wanted to visit KRLA so badly that they came out the next morning.

Unpacking time! "Hey, that's my jacket!" "You're out of your head! I packed this in New York, it's mine!" Finally, they get everything sorted out and decide to keep things separated next time!

"Come on, don't go out on me now!" Herman's all ready to go out on the town, but the only response he gets is a fishy look from the Hermits. They had come in from New York without any sleep!

The boys sit back and prepare to spend the evening watching the Amer- ican "talkies" (English for TV). Believe it or not, they like the commercials! They liked Hollywood, but ... "It wasn't like we thought it would be."

"Fun time! Keith punched Herman in the back. Herman thought Karl did it and punched him, so Karl lifted Keith up and wouldn't put him down till he apologized! They're the funniest group in the world!"

"They're always pickin' on me, just 'cause there's more of them!" The Hermits dragged Herman to the window. "We're going to throw you out, boy!" They didn't, though. "We wouldn't ... he's nice to have around!"

"Hey, you guys, get off my bed!" says Frank Manziol, their manager. The boys were so tired that while waiting for their rooms, they fell asleep! They looked so peaceful that no one had the heart to wake them up.

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HERMITS... juries required hospitalization. Barry and Derek, of the Hermits, suffered sprained necks, and Herman and Peter Grant, who were in the front seat, both had sprained ankles. Most seriously injured was Clive Fox, who suffered a bad whipping. The boys were able to make their visit to KRLA a few hours later, and went home to England the next day.

And here is our Christmas gift to you! A personal Christmas greeting from the Rolling Stones and Herman’s Hermits, autographs that you can cut out and hang on your wall, put in your wallet, or do...well, whatever you want to do with them! And below that are some more English Pen Pals, eight groovy Beatles-landers who dig hearing from American pen friends!

Greetings! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all of our KRLA friends...

[Handwritten notes and signatures from various personalities, including members of the Rolling Stones and Herman’s Hermits, and other Beatles-related figures.]

[Images of autographs and personal messages.]

REB FOSTER’S “FAX ON WAX” AND BOB EUBANKS’ “RECORD REVIEW” WILL NOT APPEAR THIS WEEK. WATCH FOR THEM IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF “KRLA BEAT.”