

# WATCH ABOUT

**WATCH OUT** in 1974 for what promises to be a great film of David Bowie's last concert at London's Odeon, Hammersmith. It will receive its premiere in London some time during the Spring. The full-length movie was made by the same man who was responsible for "Don't Look Back", starring Bob Dylan. Also in 1974, David will be appearing in two musical shows - the "Ziggy Stardust Show" and "1984". Format for both has still to be decided. It hasn't actually been decided yet whether or not the presentations will take place either on stage or as TV specials. All in all, it's pretty certain that this year is going to prove just as successful - if not more so - as 1973 did for the always exciting Mr. Bowie...

Talking of Bob Dylan, it seems he's likely to be breaking quite a few records with the demand for his U.S. tour. Millions of ticket applications were received at the various venues for Bob's concerts - and many, many fans were disappointed. The singer-composer-guitarist also has his own record label - Ashes & Sand. First release will be Bob's own album on which he is accompanied by The Band - the group with whom he was formerly associated and which accompanied him at his famous Isle of Wight Festival appearance several years ago. There will be no fewer than 10 new tracks on the LP. And several concerts during the American tour will be recorded with a view to issuing a live Dylan album later this year...

Fantastic concert by Elton John at the Odeon, Hammersmith, on December 21! Elton really was on absolutely tip-

top form - so, too, were the other members of his band. Hard to pick any winners here, but we particularly liked the concert interpretations of numbers from Elton's last LP - the fabulous "Yellow Brick Road" set - as well as some of the earlier John favourites...

Someone else who have recorded their own live LP are Mott The Hoople. Mott taped their two shows held at Hammersmith in December. Watch out for an early release by CBS. Looks like the band's latest single - "Roll Away The Stone" - is going to be their biggest seller yet. Sales of the disc already are approaching 250,000 and it's likely to continue being a steady seller for some time during '74...

Good to welcome back to the singles scene Cilla Black. Cilla, whose pre-occupation with television during the past couple of years seem to have meant a neglect of the 45's market, is back with a bang with 'Baby, We Can't Go Wrong' and 'Someone'. Cilla, who is expecting her second baby in May, will be commencing her own nine-week TV series at the beginning of this year. Following the recording of the series Cilla will rest until the birth. She will be appearing for six weeks in summer season at Scarborough, commencing Aug. 12...

The last concert tour of the States by the Straybs looks like being their biggest yet. Commencing in New York on Jan. 25, it will last for eight weeks. Coinciding with the tour will be the release in the U.S. of the band's latest album, "Hero & Heroine". The LP will be issued in Britain late in March, just after the Strawbs' concert and college appearances...

It's always good to hear a sensible person like David Cassidy - speaking when it comes to his future as a musical entertainer. Whilst making plans for 1974 visits to such far-flung places as Australia, New Zealand, Japan and - yes! you'd better believe it, kids! - Britain, dishy David had this to say about his own tomorrow: "I want to record material I really enjoy recording, and I want to widen my horizons. As I guess all of us do from time to time, I'd like to take some chances on some different things. I'm not worried by people who tell me I'm likely to lose my fans by trying something new occasionally. I think they'll stay with me..." You betcha, David! 'Cos your fans aren't of the fickle variety - they're loyal and will stick by you. Just make sure, though, you'll be over to see us just once in a while, huh...?) Incidentally, David is having a dream house built for him in one of the beautiful Hawaiian islands in the South Pacific - lucky fella! And he says he'll be racing horses again in the future - he's not been put off by some lack of success here in the past...!

Watch out for the super "74 Rock 'N' Roll Road Show" tour which opens at the Civic Hall, Feb. 1. Starring Billy Fury, Marty Wilde, Carl Simmons, Heinz, Tommy Bruce and The New Tornados, the show continues on the road at Halifax (Civic Theatre, Feb. 2), Darlington (Civic Theatre, 3rd); Lewistam (Town Hall, 5th); Greys (Thurrock Civic, 7th); Battersea (Town Hall, 8th); Hemel Hempstead (Pavilion, 9th), Crewe (Theatre, 11th) and Swinton (Lancastrian Hall, 12th). Further dates next time...!



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