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France re-elects President Charles de Gaulle (75) to a second seven-year term, with 54% of the vote. His opponent was Francois Mitterrand.

The Justice Department files intimidation charges against eight Louisiana landowners who allegedly sent eviction notices to Negro sharecroppers and tenant farmers because they registered to vote. It is the first voter intimidation suit filed under the 1965 Civil Rights act.



Pressed on the question of atomic weapons by a correspondent, Vietnam ambassador **Arthur Goldberg** says atomic weapons will not be used in the war. "The use of atomic weapons in Vietnam is not conceivable."

The engagement of Luci Baines Johnson - 18-year-old daughter of President and Mrs. Johnson is announced. Luci and Airman Patrick Nugent (22) plan a late summer wedding.

Former Vice President President Richard M. Nixon predicts that "growing discontent" with the Johnson administration would bring victory for the Republican side.

Moscow imposes a permanent 9pm curfew on anyone under the age of 16. Under the new rule, children are barred from streets, theaters or other public places after 9pm, unless accompanied by an adult. the curfew will be set at 10pm during school vacations. The reason given for the action was that children spend a lot of time out in the streets in the evening and they sometimes "misbehave and hinder traffic."

Fad for Christmas - **Walkie Talkies!** The FCC reminds you they are not toys - but radios. No profanity. The same channels are shared with Citizen Band Radios.

New teletype ribbon seen - has an eraser built right into it. All you do is move the ribbon from black to red, backspace, type the error again, and it vanishes.



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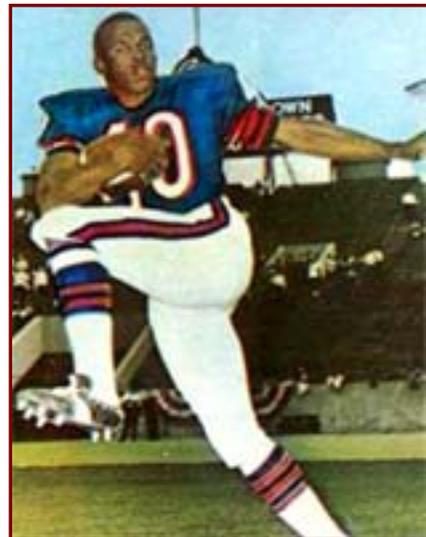


Fads - Seen on teen gals and guys - hoot-owl or granny glasses. They may not be as flattering as the old "streamlined" glasses - but they have immediate impact and they're fun! The look was spurned by one of 1965's hottest bands - The Byrds. Check out band member Roger McGuinn (left).

The U.S. Office of Education reports the number of students enrolled in colleges and universities this fall rose 12% over last year to a record of nearly 6 million. Freshmen enrollments, a continuing reflection of post-World War II reaching college age, increased 18% over 1964 - from 1,235,000 to 1,453,000.

Sports - **Gale Sayers** of the Chicago Bears is voted Rookie of the Year in the NFL.

Satellite radio? - NASA authorizes a study of the transmission of radio programs directly to FM from an orbiting satellite. Authorization of the study is believed to be the first step by a branch of the Federal Government to consider the technical feasibility of uniting the millions of homes through one airborne broadcasting facility. What kind of power would be needed in a radio satellite, the size of the antenna required by a home receiver and the prospects for practical success in the technical sense are among the purposes of the NASA study.



Greenwich Village happenings - The Swingle Singers of Paris return to the Village Gate and appear through New Years



Music news - **Bobby Fuller**, recently signed to Mustang Records, just completed his first motion picture role in "Out of Sight," a Universal picture

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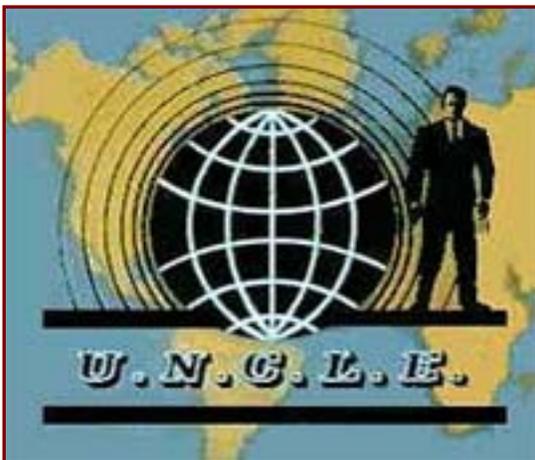
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Soul WWRL New York DJ Eddie O'Jay just hosted a show at the Apollo with **Joe Tex**, Billy Stewart, the Ovarions, the Dixie Cups and comedian Allen Drew.

Hollywood news - An explosion rips apart the home of actress Rhonda Fleming causing serious injuries to a visitor - film producer Hall Bartlett. Ms. Fleming was unhurt. The explosion was traced to a gas heater unit.

Television news - **Jeane Dixon**, the "prophetess of the Potomac," will appear on David Susskind's "Open End" program. She is the subject of a recently published book, "A Gift of Prophecy," which was written by Ruth Montgomery, a syndicated columnist.



In recent months, the United Nations' General Services Division has

been deluged with letters and telephone calls from fans of NBC's "Man From UNCLE" wanting to enlist. "It's the UN in the title that gets them" says Maurice Liu, director of the division. "And when they hear that bit of hokum that the show would not have been possible without the

help of UNCLE, they are sure we are tied up with it... Most of the applications come from teenagers, but there are some adults too and they are the hardest to convince that we are not running a spy ring." Continues Lie - "One guy was so intent on becoming a secret agent that we finally suggested that he get in touch with interpol. I don't know what they told him." One young applicant from Silver City, NC asked if he could join the spy ranks before he was 21. He wanted to know the location of the UNCLE branch nearest his hometown.

CBS is continuing "Secret Agent" starring Patrick McGouhan. The show was only set for a summer run, but with the cancellation of "Slattery's People" starring Richard Crenna, CBS will insert the program in the Slattery timeslot. Patrick McGouhan says he's working 18-hour days, five days a week. "And the other two days, I work 16 hours. There's a pressure to get more scripts and there's always a slight crisis or two." McGouhan says he loves the Dick Van Dyke show

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“and The Man From UNCLE, it has some great stuff in it.”



CBS says this will be the last season for **Dick Van Dyke**. Van Dyke wants to pursue motion pictures. He'll still be tied to CBS under a long-term contract now being negotiated. Van Dyke will do several one-hour comedy-variety specials each year for three years, beginning in 1967. It is understood the contract would permit him to be a guest on other networks. Dick's show is still one of the highest rated TV

programs around.

Singer John Davidson, one of the principals in “Oklahoma!” on Broadway, will be the star of an hour-long weekly (summer replacement) musical show on NBC.

Brigitte Bardot's appearance on the Ed Sullivan show next Sunday has been postponed, because the A.C. Nielsen Company will not be compiling ratings that evening. Says Ed - “After my wife called it to my attention, I decided to delay Brigitte's appearance until Jan. 2 when Nielsen will be doing ratings again.”



This Sunday afternoon - CBS News reviews 1965 - a pictorial review of the year's top stories and look ahead to 1966 - the war in Vietnam .. The visit of Pope Paul, Churchill's funeral, riots in Los Angeles .. a walk in space .. a march in Selma ... the passing of Stevenson ... Sandy Koufax throwing strikes ... Muhammad Ali throwing punches ... the Gemini rendezvous, the enduring Sinatra and the unique Presidential style of Lyndon B. Johnson.” NBC and ABC are also doing year-end wrap-ups.

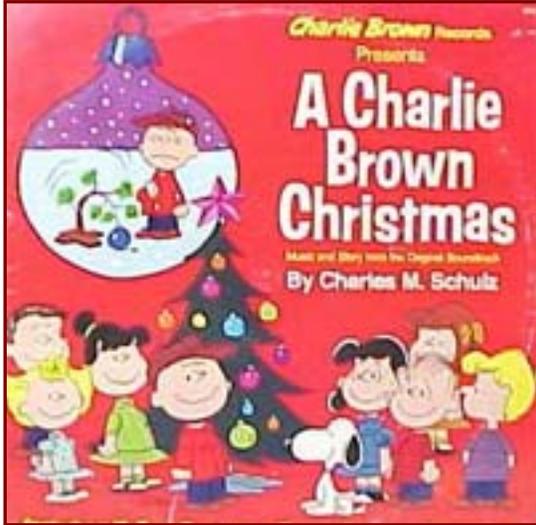


New Year's Eve - **Guy Lombardo** and the Royal Canadians on ABC from 11:30pm to 1:00am. At midnight, see a special telecast of the revelers at Time Square!

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Bill Cosby - now of "I Spy" on NBC, says someday, he'd like to do a Negro situation comedy. "I want to do a family situation comedy on TV and it will be a hit because people want to see what goes on in a Negro home today."



Is this the beginning of more Charlie Brown Specials? - "Charlie Brown's Christmas" the animated special featuring the Peanuts comic strip characters drew good ratings and CBS says they want to see another Charlie Brown special. Another special is being planned for the spring with a baseball storyline.

Rod Serling, one of TV's most honored writers, says he's leaving the medium after his present project, the half-hour "The Loner" starring Lloyd Bridges, runs its course. "I hold no malice toward TV.

It's just that I want to move on for awhile to something else."

Saturday Night Television -

CBS - The Jackie Gleason Show, Secret Agent, The Loner, Gunsmoke

NBC - Flipper, I Dream of Jeannie, Get Smart, NBC Saturday Night At The Movies

ABC - Shindig, Lawrence Welk, Hollywood Palace

I Dream of Jeannie - Jeannie tries to trick Tony to the altar.

Secret Agent - Drake uses himself as bait to trap a counter-agent.



Get Smart! - "Survival of the Fattest." Smart encounters Mary Jack Armstrong, the world's strongest counterspy. Stars Don Adams, Barbara Felton, Ed Platt. Guest cast - Karen Steele, Milton Selzer.

The Loner - Colton is hired to transfer a murder suspect from one town to another and must stop a rescue attempt by the suspect's son. Stars Lloyd Bridges. Guest cast - Jeff Bridges, Sonny Tufts.

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Hollywood Palace - Bing Crosby hosts with Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians, Bob Crane, Robert Clary, Landon's Midgets, and **Ernie Burch "Blinko the Clown."**



Gunsmoke - Kitty is confronted with renegades and a brawling backwoods clan when she sets out to claim a gold mine.

At the movies -

Thunderball - Sean Connery as James Bond, Claudine Auger, Adolfo Celi, Luciana Paluzzi

Battle Of The Bulge - Henry Fonda, Robert Shaw, Robert Ryan, Dana Andrews, Pier Angeli, Telly Savalas, Barbara Werle, George Montgomery, Ty Harden, Charles Bronson, Hans Christian Blech, Werner Peters, James MacArthur

Do Not Disturb - Doris Day, Rod Taylor

The Cincinnati Kid - Steve McQueen, Edward G. Robinson, Ann-Margret, Karl Malden, Tuesday Weld

The Great Race - Jack Lemmon, Tony Curtis, Natalie Wood

The Slender Thread - Sidney Poitier, Ann Bancroft, Telly Savalas, Steven Hill

Pinocchio In Outer Space (featuring the voice of Arnold Stang as Nurtle the Turtle)

The Spy Who Came In From The Cold - Richard Burton, Claire Bloom, Oskar Werner, Sam Wanamaker, Cyril Cusack

Inside Daisy Clover - Natalie Wood, Christopher Plummer

Life At the Top - Laurence Harvey, Jean Simmons, Honor Blackman, Michael Craig

When The Boys Meet The Girls - Connie Francis, Harve Presnell, Sam the Sham & The Pharaohs, Liberace, Louis Armstrong, Herman's Hermits

The Secret of My Success - Shirley Jones, Steila Stevens, Honor Blackman, James Booth, Lionel Jeffries

Viva Maria! - Brigitte Bardot, Jeanne Moreau, George Hamilton

Doctor Zhivago - Geraldine Chaplin, Julie Christie, Tom Courtenay, Alec Guinness, Siobhan McKenna, Ralph Richardson, Omar Sharif, Rod Steiger, Rita Tushingham

Boeing Boeing - Tony Curtis, Jerry Lewis, Danny Saval, Christian Schmidtmer, Suzanna Leigh, Thelma Ritter

A Thousand Clowns - Jason Robards, Barbara Harris, Martin Balsam

Those Magnificent Men In Their Flying Machines

The 10th Victim - Marcello Mastroianni, Usula Andress, Elsa Martinelli, Salvo Randone

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Wow – For Christmas!!



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Favorite records in Britain -

The Carnival Is Over - Seekers

Day Tripper - Beatles

My Generation - The Who

Tears - Ken Dodds

Maria - P.J. Proby

Princess in Rags - Gene Pitney

1-2-3 - Len Barry

A Lover's Concerto - Toys

Yesterday Man - Chris Andrews

Wind Me Up - Cliff Richard



Favorite Country singles -

Make the World Go Away - Eddie Arnold

Buckaroo - Buck Owens & His

Buckaroos

It's Another World - Wilburn Brothers

What We're Fighting For - Dave Dudley

Diddyup Go - Red Sovine

Flowers On The Wall - Statler Brothers

If I Talk To Him - Connie Smith

May The Bird of paradise Fly Up Your Nose - Little

Jimmy Dickens

Watch Where You're Gong - Don Gibson



Rhythm and Blues Favorites -

I Got You (I Feel Good) - James Brown

Rescue Me - Fontella Bass

Seesaw - Don Covay

I Hear A Symphony - The Supremes

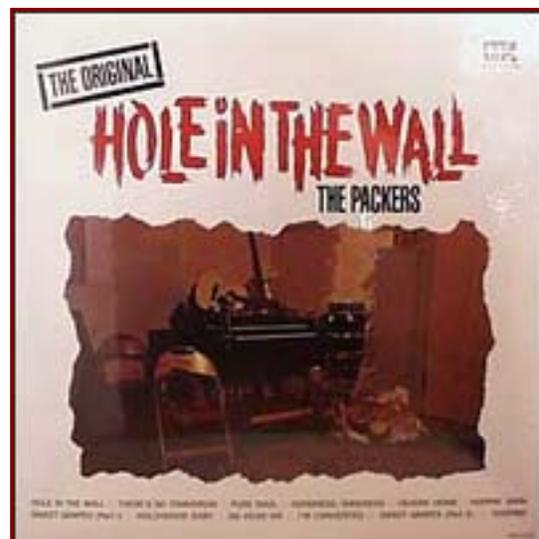
Hole In The Wall - The Packers

Rainbow '65 - Gene Chandler

Hang On Sloopy - Ramsey Lewis

Ain't That Peculiar - Marvin Gaye

A Lover's Concerto - Toys



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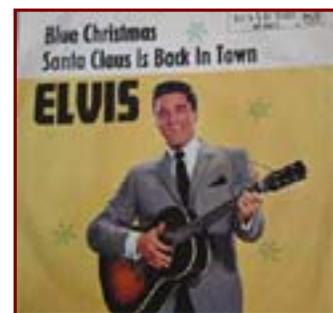
Favorite Albums -

Whipped Cream and Other Delights - Herb Alpert's Tijuana Brass
Welcome To The LBJ Ranch - various artists
The Sound of Music - soundtrack
The In Crowd - Ramsey Lewis
Beach Boys' Party
My Name is Barbara, Two - Barbara Streisand
Help! - The Beatles
Harem Scarum - Elvis Presley
December's Children - The Rolling Stone
Going Places - Herb Alpert & The Tijuana Brass
Look At Us - Sonny & Cher
Look What Tomorrow Brings - Peter, Paul & Mary
Highway 61 Revisited - Bob Dylan
The Best of Herman's Hermits
September of My Years - Frank Sinatra
That Was The Year That Was - Tom Lehrer
John Gary Sings Your All-time Favorite Songs
My World - Eddy Arnold
Supremes Live At The Copa
Mary Poppins - soundtrack



Top-selling Christmas singles this season:

Please Come Home for Christmas - Charles Brown King
Little Drummer Boy - Harry Simeone Chorale
Rockin' Around The Christmas Tree - Brenda Lee
Blue Christmas - Elvis Presley
Jingle Bell Rock - Bobby Helms
Children's Christmas Song - Supremes
Lonesome Christmas - Lowell Fulson
White Christmas - Bing Crosby
Santa Looked A Lot Like Daddy - Buck Owens



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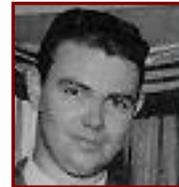
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Radio news - Hawaiian singer Don Ho adds DJ duties. He's now on KHVH, Honolulu from 3:30 to 6pm weekday afternoons.

Bill Drake - a radio (doctor) or consultant, uses a hands-on approach to his work. He doesn't just set a format and leaves town, but is in constant tune with his stations. He has three that he consults - KYNO (1300) - Fresno, KGB (1360), San Diego and KHJ (930) - Los Angeles. Drake's way to do top-40 radio is different than what's out there. The DJ usually doesn't banter, but gets in and gets out of what he's doing quickly. Radio station jingles are always followed by music - a subliminal effect on the listener says Drake. All three stations feature 20/20 news - usually 20 minutes before

the hour. That way, if the competition is programming news at the top or five minutes before the hour, his stations are usually playing music. Drake's stations have 14-song minimum per hour, which usually means more music than the competition. The object to a winning station in Drake's opinion is playing better records more often. "A tight playlist is not the answer because the wrong record can ruin it through repetition."



Radio news - Texas broadcaster **Gordon McLendon** is buying Los Angeles FM station KGIA (103.5) for \$400,000 and has an FCC application saying he wants to try a new format - all want ads. The classified ads would be divided into categories like job opportunities, help wanted and homes for sale. The station would charge by the word. Says McLendon - "In the beginning, we might charge a penny a word. That means the average one-minute announcement, which has 125 words, would cost \$1.25. But eventually our advertising rates would depend upon or circulation and how many people were listening. If it turned out to be a real jim-dandy operation, we might charge 5, 6 or 7

cents a word."

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More radio - Ron Britain moves from WHK, Cleveland to WCFL, Chicago...WDOK-AM (Cleveland) changes its call letters to WIXY...



Top-40 wars - Hartford, CT - WDRC (1360) Vs. WPOP (1410). Turn the dial and hear these DJ's - **Ken Griffin**, Jim Nettleton, Dick Robinson, Ron Landry, Sandy Beach, Long John Wade, George Brewer, Dick Robinson.

Music news - English artist **Jonathan King** "Everyone's Gone To The Moon" will make a very brief appearance in the states. He'll fly into New York to do "Hullabaloo" on December 29, returning to England to resume classes at Cambridge



University's Trinity College on Jan. 3.



Beatles news – On a visit to their native Liverpool two fans, aged 15, hand the foursome a letter, asking them to help stop the closing of the **Cavern Club**, a place the Beatles made famous. Later, the Beatles said there was very little they could do. Paul McCartney suggested that the city council look at the spot as a tourist attraction "instead of an old warehouse." The Cavern sits in the basement of an actual warehouse, but needs

a drainage system that the owner cannot afford, among other problems. Owner Ray Mcfall says the drainage system alone would cost \$9,000. (Don't worry, it won't close for good. A grand re-opening will commence in August, complete with a speech by the British Prime Minister).

Brian Holland is named vice president of Motown Records in charge of creative evaluation. Holland had been supervising that department since last August.

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Noel Harrison, son of actor Rex Harrison, has his first record out – “A Young Girl” on London records. His first album is due out soon.

Minnie Pearl is returning to the Grand Ole’

Opry after a leave of absence in 1965. The absence came because of a rule, invoked at the beginning of 1964, that Opry members had to

perform 20 times during the year. Minnie Pearl was booked solid for fairs and other shows in 1964 and 1965 and by mutual agreement, took a one-year leave of absence during 1965.



Wow – what a party! – All talent that has ever appeared on NBC-TV’s “Hullabaloo” is invited to a Christmas bash at New York’s Phone Booth nitery. Over 400 are expected to attend including Sammy Davis Jr., and Alan King. The Young Rascals are scheduled to entertain.