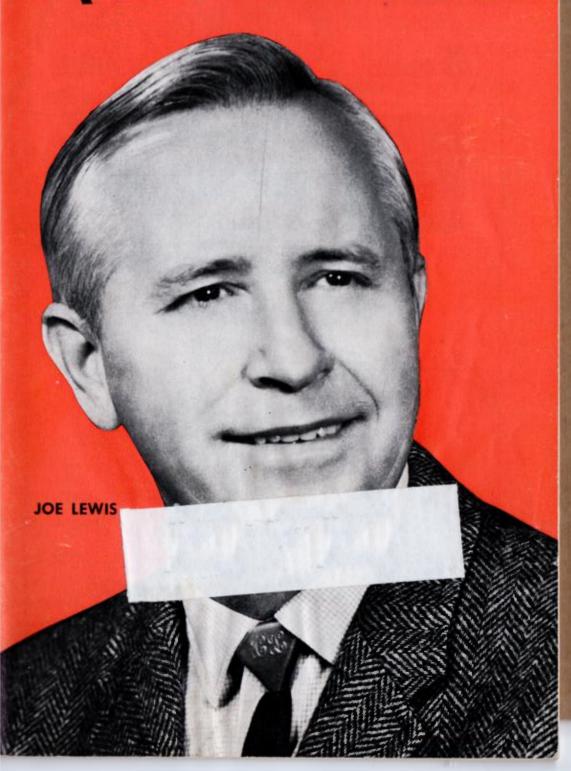


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The very heart of the square dance activity—its vitality and progress—is the constant recruitment of new dancers. No hobby can flourish unless its present enthusiasts strive to bring new blood into the activity.

It is the unwritten but all-important job of every leader to create interest in square dancing among non-dancers. Seek avenues of developing community interest. When one attempt is unsuccessful, try another one. Always be on the look out for opportunities and ideas that may help you bring even one more couple into our wonderful recreation.

Many callers and teachers spend too much time worrying about square dance drop-outs. Rather than concentrate on arousing new interest, they persist in devoting all of their recruiting projects to those who have dropped out of square dancing. People's interests and tastes change. Everyone has the privilege of trying new hobbies and judging for himself if he likes or dislikes them. As zealous leaders, we must keep this in mind.

This is not to say that drop-outs should be ignored. Intermittent programs should be aimed at bringing these folks back into our activity. However, it is a mistake for leaders to expend their total energies in trying to solve the drop-out problem. Frankly, it will

always be with us.

The best approach—that which will serve square dancing to the greatest advantage—is to develop a conscientious, consistent program to attract new dancers into a well-planned instruction group. Periodic efforts aimed at enticing drop-outs back into the activity can

be part of this overall recruitment program.

We urge all square dance leaders who are concerned with the future of our recreation to adopt a strong policy of new dancer recruitment. Spread the word to your dancers, your friends, neighbors, and community. Square dancing IS for everyone. Let's bring non-dancers out onto the floor and show them how much fun square dancing is!

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"Basically, entertainment involves 'bits of happiness,' a collection of happy bits put together. I don't strive to have the dancers happy constantly because then their elation would become monotonous, and the entertainment value would be lost.

"Entertaining is changing the mood of the crowd from a degree of complacency to a degree of elation. At a dance, my aim is to keep changing the mood of the dancers. It's not a matter of thinking that the mood of the crowd must be changed every hour or every half hour. A mood change can come in a minute or even several times within one number.

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His accordion, Joe's constant companion on square dance tours, also lends itself perfectly to his easy going after party style. Joe Lewis after parties are not programmed, nor do they follow a definite pattern. They are happy combinations of sing-a-longs, Joe's own "diddies," and hundreds of jokes and stories about square dancers, callers and of course, Texas, based on true experiences during 18 years in square dancing.

After World War II, Joe was one of the first callers to popularize setting dances to hit tunes and dixieland music. The idea caught on, and has since evolved into our present day singing calls. Joe's first square dance hit, "Alabama Jubilee," now a classic, was followed by many others, including "Hazel Eyes," "Silver Dollar," and his most recent, "Saturday Night."

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The inclusion of Latin rhythm in round dancing has caused more controversy than any other phase of the activity. Let's take a look at Latin rhythms, their origin, popularity in the ballroom field, and evolution into round dancing.

The tango, an Argentine gaucho or cowboy dance, was adopted by the Argentine cafes and introduced to American ballroom dancing during the dance craze of pre-World War I. The uneven phrasing and violent styling made the results of the introduction of tango here far from promis-

The French "liberated" the tango and returned it to this country in a more conservative version called the Parisienne or French tango. The violent floor dips and back bends were either discarded or greatly modified

to make it smoother.

Shortly after, tango steps seemed to pop into fox trot. This was understandable since modern tango music resembled the slow fox trot. main difference was its accent. With the blend of tango and fox trot steps, tango again underwent another major styling operation. When the crouched, bent knee steps were taken with a straight knee and uneven phrasing eliminated, the tango of today ar-

Rumba, Senora? The rumba we see today is an off-shoot of a primitive native Cuban dance, quite violent in body motion. The difference between fox trot, two step and rumba is not the step pattern but the style of movement. Where the fox trot and two step employ a swinging action flowing into and with the music, the Cuban rumba uses a trick reverse shift of weight.

Let's continue down the list. From the rumba came the mambo, shortlived in ballroom popularity. However, the cha cha, another Latin rhythm, developed from the mambo. The cha cha is somewhat gayer than

the tango and mambo and is more

easily performed.

Another of the "lend-lease" dances from our South American neighbors is the samba, of Brazilian origin. This is a simpler form of the more spectacular Maxixe done in our country during the popularity of Irene and Vernon Castle.

After studying written history on dance and observing audio-visual history of dance, three factors seem foremost in maintaining interest in Latin rhythms in the ballroom field: first, the number of years of "refinement" before acceptance; second, how few continued in popularity; third, significance of styling as the deciding

factor for final approval.

Within the past ten years, a strong effort has been made to include Latin in the round dance field. More emphasis was placed on it being a different rhythm to vary the round dance program, than consideration for proper basics, styling, quantity, or quality. Selfishly or perhaps thoughtlessly, the dancers and instructors from the highly populated areas made the strongest demands. To learn Latin, a spot could be found any night of the week in numerous ballroom studios.

The picture is different in the rural areas. Few towns of 1,000 population sport an Arthur Murray or Fred Astaire Studio. The instructors and dancers in these isolated areas (and they are not a minority) are reluctant to include Latin in their programs.

A gentler approach with the judicious use of a few good routines, containing only a limited number of basic steps, taught with good styling, could do much to create interest and present a good image of Latin to the reticent round dancers not quite ready to take the plunge.

Forecasting the future: as Latin dances become refined, the controversy will become less volatile.

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THIS MONTH'S WINNING ENTRY BY LORAINE DODGE

Tacoma, Washington

FOR SOME TIME I have wanted to write the story of what square dancing has meant to my family and myself.

The day we started our first square dance lessons, television came into our home. Needless to say, we never became addicted to the set. Square dancing and all the new friends we made were much more important to us.

After two years of dancing we felt we wanted to do more to promote the square dance activity, and so we decided to become square dance leaders. We studied under professional leaders in our own state of Washington as well as those from surrounding states. Finally we agreed that we were adequately trained to teach both squares and rounds.

We have been active teachers in this fascinating hobby for more than ten years now and have had many dancers relate to us their happiness and even how their marriages have improved because of the togetherness in square dancing.

I often think how much more physically fit all of our dancers are, from the very young to our eldest citizens. The late President John Kennedy would have appreciated square dancing as an ideal hobby for his physical fitness program.

My own family is a stronger unit because each of the children has had to help out with little chores while mother and dad are busy practicing. Music in our home has also given my children an appreciation of all phases of the music world.

Our square and round dancing keep us young in heart and spirit. How can one possibly be unhappy on a dance floor full of happy people like square dancers? I have one final comment to submit that I'm sure is shared by all participants in our activity—long live square dancing in America and in every corner of the world!

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CHOREOGRAPHY

Following up last month's choreography discussion of the shapes of the squares, many methods are used by today's callers to accomplish the various patterns. An ideal new basic is a square dance movement which changes the shape of the square with or without a change of partners.

An example of this would be a call given from a static squared-up position like heads square thru. The dancers' geometric pattern is changed from a square into an eight chain thru position. From here, another half square thru (or full square thru) changes the pattern into lines of four facing out. The same basic movement of square thru has been used but the shape of the square has been changed twice.

With two lines of four facing out, the command to wheel and deal changes the lines into double pass thru formation. Other methods can be used to change these lines into a double pass thru but with a change of partners, e.g., ends fold, centers turn back. Please note that although the methods of changing the lines into a double pass thru set-up are different, they are not equivalent, i.e., identical dancer position relative to each other. The shape is the same, but that's all. All of which brings us to the term equivalents in our knowledge of square dance choreography nomenclature.

Knowing and using square dance movements that are *equivalent* to each other is a caller's best choreography tool to give variety to his dancers. A most simple example of an equivalent would be right and left thru equals cross trail thru, U turn back equals half sashay, pass thru, U turn back equals pass thru, California twirl and so on. Only your own imagination and knowledge of square dance movements limits the possible equivalents.

Since the dancers are only interested in dancing, they are not aware of your using equivalents. They know only that they are enjoying their favorite recreation. Variety has always been known as the spice of life, and this certainly holds true in square dancing.

Other simple equivalent examples could be these:

Heads lead right, circle to a line equals:

 Heads half sashay, pass thru, turn right around two and line up four:

 Head gents and corner girl square thru, split two, go around one and line up four.

Head couples half sashay equals:

- Head couples square thru threequarters around, U turn back;
- Head couples California twirl, U turn back;
- Head couples cross trail thru, separate, go around two and face to the middle;
- 4) Head couples pass thru, separate, go around one into the middle, half square thru, U turn back.

Head ladies chain across equals:

(1) Head couples dixie style to an ocean wave, boys turn back, cast off three-quarters round.

Four ladies chain equals:

 Head ladies chain to the right, chain 'em on to the next.

CALLERS' QUESTIONS

PETE HECKMAN, Bethel Park, Pa.: "When dancing arky figures, suggest calling the ones in men's positions the leads and the ones in the ladies' positions the wheels. Thus we can dance anything arky style. Example would be when head couples are half sashayed, the head ladies and side men are leads, and the head men and side ladies are wheels . . ."

Sounds interesting, Pete. Please forward some figures using your terms for our Workshop group to experiment with.

HELEN AND HENRY FALLOW, Holloman A.F.B., N. Mex.: "In reference to the cross trail congo style figures you tried for us, thank you for trying them out. . . Sorry you had trouble. We are sending (corrected) figures for you to try again. Also a new idea (change the line) with example figures. . . In our area, cross trail and cross trail thru mean the same thing."

Thank you for your other kind words about SQUARE DANCE Magazine. We like to think that it offers a lot to our square dance leaders too because a lot of time, thought, and effort is put into slanting it to-

wards this goal.

As far as the cross trail/cross trail thru meaning the same, you have read my interpretation in past issues. If cross trail when facing out means to cut across (man go right behind lady as she goes left), why wouldn't

the same thing apply to any facing direction? If you want dancers to go thru someone before doing this movement, say so. Thus the cross trail thru idea.

Technically then, if the head couples at home position were half sashayed and told to cross trail, they would cut across (man going left in front of lady and lady going right) to a left allemande. If they were told to cross trail thru from this position, an arky allemande with opposite's corner would be involved. Sorry, but I'm a stickler for position dancing which makes possible today's square dance choreography flow, but the ground rules must be understood. The free and easy non-directional type of call is no longer passable. Other recreational activities have ground rules, so why not square dancing? We'll give your submitted figures a good try and report back later.

JIM ROBERTSON, Apollo, Pa.: "Have an idea to dixie daisy to an ocean wave, i.e., cross by the right, turn opposite left three-quarters and swing half by the right and hang on to an ocean wave. Would like you to try it before I use it any place..."

The idea has been used in a slightly varied way by Jack Lasry of Miami, Fla. When dixie daisy two-thirds came out in the December 1965 issue, we had also used his version of your idea but did not publish it in SQUARE DANCE Magazine. Jack wanted the dancers to cross by the right, turn opposite left half way, and catch the others across the sides to form an ocean wave. This idea has been published through other media, but we have held up because of its debatable value in the long run.

H. A. COVEY, Barstow, Calif.: "Would like to know what to do and how to go about getting a call recorded on records. I know several callers who would like to make a record-

ing but do not seem to be able to get in. They are better than some of the

recordings I have heard."

I agree, some of the recordings are pretty sad. It is not always the fault of the recording artists, however. A bad balance between voice and music by the studio engineer can kill a recording. Also, a bad master cut for the pressing can cause distortion.

There are some recording labels that will take on anybody who puts up the money to pay for the original cost of production with a share of the profits after the cost has been absorbed. These might be some of the "sad" ones you have heard. The more prominent labels require first of all that you travel nationally. Otherwise how can they sell their products? This doesn't mean than because you travel that you are automatically topnotchers. It indicates only that you have more exposure to the dancers. This could work in reverse-to have dancers shy away from your recording.

In most cases, the recording company wants a tape of your voice using singing calls and patter to establish possibility. It does a record label more harm than good to have the artist receive poor dancer reaction. Next, a choice of good square dance music not previously recorded by someone else must be made. Using the same music a second time through within five years will subdue the sale of the current go-around. The music range should not be more than nine notes because most callers cannot handle a greater range.

While it is probably a great ego builder to have your voice on record, it is not a very good money-making venture. A hit record in the square dance field is considered one that sells 5,000 or better, and they are few and far between. Today's recordings for the most part are pretty good. Competition in the selling field is heavy. Many labels have tried, but

few survive over the years. So don't feel too badly if you haven't been recorded.

Just keep doing a good job by offering pleasurable dancing in your area. Many people will bless you for your efforts and appreciate you just as much even though you are not on some recording label. All the dancers say that "he" sounds much better in person than on "that" recording anyway.

BASIC BREAKDOWN

DIXIE CHAIN

by Bill Owen, Woodacre, Calif., 1956
A single file movement of two people meeting two people. First two take right hands, pull by. Then all four take left hands, pull by. Trailing two people take right hands, pull by. Dancers remain facing in their line of direction unless commanded to do otherwise.

TEACHING EXAMPLES

by Willard Orlich, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio Head couples pass thru, turn right single file around one

Between the sides dixie chain and when you do

Turn right single file around one into the middle

Dixie chain, she goes left, he goes right

Left allemande . . .

Head couples right and left thru, put the lady in the lead

Dixie chain across the set, lady go left, gent go right

Around one into the middle, box the

Pull 'em by to the corner, left allemande . . .

Heads lead right, circle four to a line Forward eight and back with you, right and left thru

Ladies in the lead, dixie chain She goes left, he goes right, left allemande . . . All four ladies chain across
Everybody promenade and don't get
lost
Head couples wheel around, right
and left thru
Ladies in the lead, dixie chain, on to
the next, two ladies chain
Put 'em in the lead, dixie chain
On to the next, two ladies chain
Put 'em in the lead, dixie chain
Lady go left, gent go right
Left allemande . . .

Promenade, heads wheel around, dixie chain
(Right hand person always starts—
in this case the lady)
On to the next, dixie chain
Girls go left, boys go right
Left allemande . . .

Side couples square thru three-quarters round
U turn back, circle up eight
All four men go forward and back
Pass thru, separate around one
Into the middle square thru three-quarters round
U turn back, forward eight and back
(boys lead)

Dixie chain on the double track, all turn back Again dixie chain on a double track

Again dixie chain on a double track (girls lead)

Lady go left, gent go right, left allemande . . .

Number one stand back to back, with your corner, box the gnat New side couples pass thru, U turn back

Number one cross the floor, split that couple, line up four

Forward four and back with you, side couples pass thru

Ladies turn left, gents turn right, dixie chain behind that line

Around the ends, dixie chain in front of the line, stop

Face the line, ends only box the gnat Left allemande . . .

FIGURES AND BREAKS

BIG TOP by Bob Sewell, Westminster, Calif. Head gents, it's up to you Face your corner, star thru Circle eight just like that Four gents go up and back Do-sa-do to an ocean wave Rock it once, then spin the top, bal-Step thru, do-sa-do with the outside Balance once, don't be late All eight of you circulate Balance again, but listen, pop Once more you spin the top Boys run right around your maid Hook in the middle to a line of eight Turn that line, all the way round, keep it straight Now you bend the big line Then bend the next ol' line

OUTSIDES - TRACK
by Lee Boswell, Gardena, Calif.
Head ladies chain, finish it off, half sashay
Heads lead right, circle four
Ladies break to lines of four
Pass thru, wheel and deal, double pass thru
Outside couples backtrack, star thru
Wheel and deal, insides half sashay
Double pass thru, outsides backtrack, star thru
Pass thru, wheel and deal
Outsides in, star thru, pass thru

Cross trail to a left allemande . . .

by Lee Boswell, Gardena, Calif.
Promenade single file, ladies in the lead
Keep on going, don't slow down

Left allemande . . .

Head two couples backtrack
Dixie chain, go on to the next
Dixie style to the alamo
Join eight hands, rock it
Swing by the right hand half about
Rock again, step thru, U turn back
Left allemande . . .

BACKTRACK MAN

by Lee Boswell, Gardena, Calif. Two and four right and left thru Turn your girl, chain 'em too One and three star thru Pass thru, split those two, go round one to lines of four Forward eight and back you reel Backtrack, wheel and deal Double pass thru, centers in, cast off three-quarters Backtrack, wheel and deal Pass thru, star thru Backtrack, wheel and deal Pass thru, backtrack, square thru three-quarters Left allemande . . .

GIMMICKS

by Lee Boswell, Gardena, Calif.
Circle left around that way
Ladies roll away, half sashay
Head gents and a brand new girl
Dance up to the middle and back to
the world
Go right and left thru, turn 'em too
Cross trail thru behind those two
Who's lookin' at you, left allemande...

Heads go right and left thru
Same two cross trail thru, go around
one
Into the middle, do-sa-do
With the men in the middle make an
ocean wave
Rock it, swing thru, right and left
thru
Turn your girl with a half sashay
Pass thru, do-sa-do the outside two
Girl and girl, man and man
Make an ocean wave, swing thru

Four ladies chain across the way
Turn 'em around with a half sashay
Heads go up to the middle and back
you go
Opposite two do-sa-do
Sides divide and everybody
Go right and left grand . . .

Go right and left grand . . .

Heads pass thru, separate, go around one to a line

Forward eight and back you reel

Pass thru, wheel and deal

Girls do a U turn back

Left allemande . . .

by Tom Tobin, Los Angeles, Colif.
Side two ladies chain across
One and three star thru, then swap around
Circle up four with the outside two
Head gents break to lines of four
Forward eight and back you reel
Pass thru, wheel and deal
Center four star thru, then back away
Bow to the partner, corners all
You've stirred the bucket with this call . . .

EASY ONE

by Tom Tobin, Los Angeles, Calif.
One and three square thru, four hands round
Right and left thru the outside two
Same two double star thru, and when you're thru
Go right and left grand . . .

T'S DOUBLE TROUBLE
by Tom Tobin, Los Angeles, Colif.
Four ladies chain across
One and three right and left thru
Two and four square thru all the way
round
With the outside two double star
thru
Go right and left grand . . .

BREAK

by Sie Wotson, Phoenix, Ariz.
Promenade, one and three wheel around
Right and left thru the couple you've found
Pass thru, go on to the next
Right and left thru, two ladies chain
Same two spin the top
Without a stop go right and left grand . . .

PITTER PATTER

by John Word, Alton, Kons.
Heads lead right, circle to a line
Go forward eight and back
Ends star thru, then half square thru
Now half square thru the outside two
Bend the line and when you do
Ends star thru, then half square thru
Now half square thru the outside
two

Bend the line and when you do Left square thru four hands Left allemande . . .

FAST SWAP

by Gil Buck, Downey, Calif.
Two and four right and left thru
Same four swap around
Separate, go around one, into the
middle
Star thru, same two lead to the right
Left allemande . . .

SINGLE TRAIL by Ted Wegener, Gardena, Calif.

One and three dance up to the middle and back Star thru, pass thru Right and left thru the outside two Dive thru, pass thru, right and left thru Dive thru, centers roll away Spin the top while you're that way Right and left thru, turn that Sue Head men only shake hands, pull by

EIGHT CHAIN THREE

Left allemande . . .

Left allemande . . .

by Tom Tobin, Los Angeles, Colif.
Head two ladies chain to the right
New side ladies chain across
One and three dance up to the middle and back
Star thru, right and left thru
A full turn around to the outside two
Two ladies chain, turn 'em around
Do-sa-do full around to an ocean
wave
Balance, swing thru, box the gnat
Eight chain three, right, left, right

LOTTA NUTTIN'

by Gunner Cosgrove, Covina, Calif. Side ladies chain across, roll away, half sashay Sides star thru, circle four with the outside two Side gents break to lines of four Lines pass thru, wheel and deal Center two slide thru Give a right to the opposite, swing star thru Do-sa-do the outside two Make an ocean wave, rock it Swing star thru, then cast off half way round Two ladies chain across the town Slide thru, left allemande . . .

WHIRLY STAR THRU

by Don Comeron, Glendora, Calif.
Two and four pass thru, separate, go around one
Into the middle, right and left thru
Pass thru, star thru
Sides go two, heads go three
Now when you're thru, sides separate
Meet a girl and star thru
Right and left thru, dive thru, square thru three-quarters
Left allemande . . .

DOUBLE TROUBLE

by Don Comeron, Glendora, Colif.
One and three double star thru and when you're thru
Separate, go around one, into the middle
Box the gnat, hang on tight
Right and left thru, double star thru
Half square thru with the outside two
U turn back, star thru
Substitute, square thru three-quarters

DOUBLE LINE TROUBLE

Left allemande . . .

by Don Cameron, Glendora, Calif.
One and three lead right, circle to a
line
Forward and back, double star thru
Ends fold, star thru

New lines go forward and back Pass thru, cast off three-quarters Double star thru, ends fold, star thru New lines go forward and back Cross trail thru to a left allemande...

TRIPLE TROUBLE

by Don Cameron, Glendora, Calif. One and three promenade half way round

Two and four right and left thru Sides roll away, half sashay One and three pass thru, go around

one

Into the middle and triple star thru Heads go three, sides go one Make a line, go forward out and back

Bend the line, star thru

Right and left thru, dive thru, pass thru

Left allemande . . .

MY STARS

by Dan Schmelzer, Torrance, Calif. Promenade, don't slow down One and three wheel around, right and left thru

Same four make a right hand star Once around from where you are Heads star left in the middle Once around to the same two, dosa-do

Then swing thru two by two Balance up and back, box the gnat Square thru three-quarters round Left allemande . . .

SWAP AROUND

by Dan Schmelzer, Torrance, Calif. One and three swap around, separate, go around one

Into the middle and swap around, star thru

Pass thru, bend the line, go up and back

Square thru across the track

Count four hands and when you're through

Give a right to partner, pull her thru Allemande left, promenade, don't slow down



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ARKY SWAP AROUND

by Dan Schmelzer, Torrance, Colif.
Promenade, don't slow down
Two and four half sashay
One and three backtrack
Swap around while you're like that
(Men cross over, girls turn right)
Move on to the next, swap around
(Men cross over, girls turn right)
On to the next, box the gnat
Right and left thru the other way
back

Finish it off with a half sashay Swap around while you're that way

On to the next, swap around (arky)
On to the next, box the gnat
Cross trail thru the other way back
Left allemande . . .

NICE 'N EASY

by Tessa Malopsy, Chicago, III.
Side ladies chain across
Head couples spin the top
Without a stop, swing thru
Pass thru, spin the top again
Swing thru, pass thru, bend the line
Go up and back, star thru
Square thru three-quarters round
Left allemande . . .

NEW IDEAS

SQUARE TURN THRU

by Manny Amor, Lakewood, N.J. Same as a square thru except that the last hand is a half turn and pull by (turn thru).

EXAMPLES

by Manny Amor, Lakewood, N.J.
First and third box the gnat
Square turn thru the other way back
Right and left thru the outside two
Dive thru, pass thru, left allemande . . .



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Swing thru, men trade, men run Left allemande . . .

First and third lead right, circle to a line

Center four half square turn thru Ends slide thru, then star thru Cross trail thru, left allemande . . .

Promenade, heads wheel around Square turn thru four hands round Those who can do a square turn thru Everybody U turn back, circle left Those who can do a right and left thru

Others square turn thru four hands round

Star thru, right and left thru, cross trail

Left allemande . . .

Heads lead right, circle to a line Two ladies chain, then spin the top Square turn thru just three hands Left allemande . . .

ROTARY CHAIN

by Lee Boswell, Gardena, Calif.
Designated ladies chain threequarters as partner moves one-quarter to the right (counter-clockwise)
to meet and courtesy turn original
partner. If new position is occupied
by an inactive couple, the active lady
will split that couple as the active
man moves behind to courtesy turn
his partner.

EXAMPLES

by Lee Boswell, Gardena, Calif. Heads rotary chain (lady split sides) Substitute, rotary chain Cross trail to a left allemande . . .



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Sides right and left thru (new sides)
Heads cross trail to a left allemande...

Heads rotary chain, sides pass thru Rotary chain with the outside two Right and left thru, cross trail Left allemande . . .

Side two ladies chain, heads half square thru
Circle four, head gents break to lines of four
Forward eight and back with you
Star thru, rotary chain
Pass thru, bend the line
Star thru, rotary chain
Cross trail to a left allemande

Promenade, one and three wheel around

Right and left thru, rotary chain Dive thru, pass thru, right and left thru Rotary chain, cross trail Left allemande...

Head ladies chain, heads rotary chain
Dixie daisy, cloverleaf single file
Dixie daisy, centers in, cast off threequarters
Star thru, substitute
Center four square thru three-quarters
Left allemande

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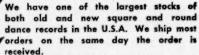


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Calls by Harper Smith
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BUMMING AROUND—Kalox 1054 Calls by C. O. Guest

Well, almost all are the same. Here's the exception. This is a fine novelty using the grand square. It's not the old "I'm A Bum" that was rereleased a year ago, but you've heard Dean Martin deliver this one lately. This is easy, and it'll bring out your best warbling voice, men.

BIG CITY—Jewel 134 Calls by Jewel O'Brien

This one will go over big in Nashville. It's about as jazzy as you can get and still stay on course. Fine fare for some. It's got everything girls run, spin the top, and swing thru. Maybe this would pep up a pokey partner.

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It's been a while awaiting the next "Truly Fair," and this is as good as any. The good Marshall let's 'em dance in an orderly fashion. No foolin', no fightin', no wild hand-grabbin', no peculiar movements, no hold-ups to mar the record. It's wanted.

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Maybe a caller somewhere can make a big number out of this, but we felt both the tune and the caller left something to be desired . . . like waiting for the other shoe to drop. It just didn't quite come off. The band did admirably well.

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- square dancing in Japan. Baroness Von Trapp was an unannounced spectator at the North Texas Round Up in Dallas, Tex. After declining several social invitations for the evening, the Baroness and her party arrived at the Dallas Baker Hotel to visit with the Roundup committee and enjoy watching the squares and rounds.
- SQUARE DANCE WEEK The Black Hills Callers Association and its Committee for National Square Dance Week are again sending out a call for letters to congressmen to make National Square Dance Week a reality. Legislation has been introduced for such a measure by Rep. Bob Wilson of California and Senator Karl Mundt of South Dakota, so readers are asked to urge the support of their congressmen for these bills. Write those letters today, and perhaps 1966 will be the first year to boast a National Square Dance Week.

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> F. D. Bloss Swartz Creek, Mich.

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> Bob Martens Ralston, Nebr.

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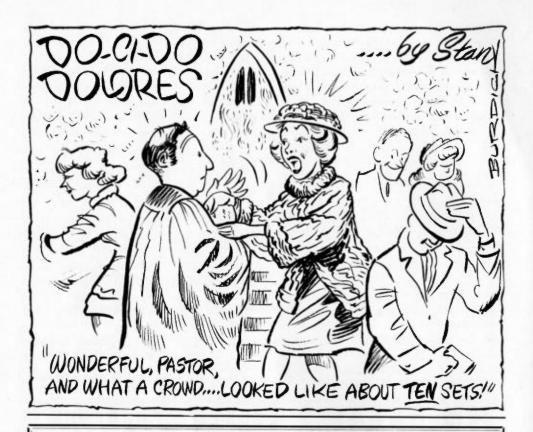
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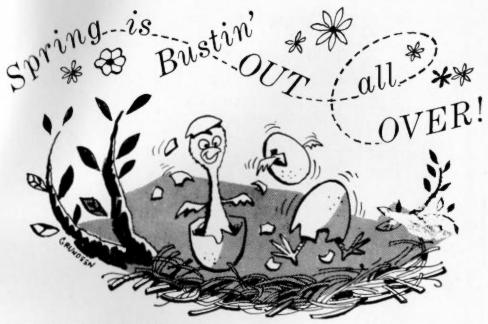
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"CLASSICS 1966"

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