Hot Rods

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Let music (Kubicy) is more than a [illegible] ... "Seven Days" ... "Stretch Your Rubber Band" — Miller (Josie)

BLACK GRAMMY NOMINEES

The time is nigh for the presentation of the Grammy awards, one of the Year for 1970 and many brothers and sisters are among the ranks.

Members in the various chapters of the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences will now proceed to vote for the finalists which will be announced on an ABC-TV telecast of the awards on March 17.

This is the first time that there will be a live TV show of the awards. In past years, the annual Grammy "TV Night" has been taped and then edited down to a previously announced window.

Among the nominees for the Grammy, these are the Black artists that are considered in the main categories.

BEST CONTEMPORARY FEMALE VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "Ain't No Mountain High Enough" — DIANA ROSS; "Bridge Over Troubled Water" — ARETHA FRANKLIN (Atlantic); "Love Hangover" — DIANA ROSS; "You're In Love Again" — DIONNE WARWICK (Scepter).

BEST CONTEMPORARY MALE VOCAL PERFORMANCE: "Cecilia" — JAMES TAYLOR (Warner Bros.); "Lay Lady Lay" — BOB DYLAN (Columbia); "Spinners (Vip) ... "I Call It Love," "Pretenders (Carnival) ... "Don't Make Me Pay," Z. Z. Hill (Hill) ... "Is It Worth It," Baby Washington (Westbound) ... "Maria," Jimmy Ruffin (Motown) ... "You Want To Play," Oscar Weathers (Top/Bottom) ... "Coo; Ald," Paul Humphery (Lizard) ... "Carry Your Own Load," Jr. Walker (Soul) ... "Looks So Easy," Five Stairsteps (Buddah) ... "Do Me Right," Detroit Emeralds (Westbound) ... "My Conscience," Lovelites (Lovelite) ... "Melting Pot," Booker T. & M.G.'s (Stax) ... "Yesterday My Love," Odds and Ends (Today) ... "Someday," Lost Generation (Brunswick) ... "Super Woman," Lynn Anderson (Columbia) ... "Stone Flower" ... "You're Gone, Gone, Gone" ... "Bad Weather," 4 Tops (Motown) ... "Don't Have You," Continental 4 (Jay Walking) ... "I Call It Love," Pretenders (Carnival) ... "Don't Make Me Pay," Z. Z. Hill (Hill) ... "Is It Worth It," Baby Washington (Westbound) ... "Maria," Jimmy Ruffin (Motown) ... "You Want To Play," Oscar Weathers (Top/Bottom) ... "Coo; Ald," Paul Humphery (Lizard) ... "Carry Your Own Load," Jr. Walker (Soul) ... "Looks So Easy," Five Stairsteps (Buddah) ... "Do Me Right," Detroit Emeralds (Westbound) ... "My Conscience," Lovelites (Lovelite) ... "Melting Pot," Booker T. & M.G.'s (Stax) ... "Yesterday My Love," Odds and Ends (Today) ... "Someday," Lost Generation (Brunswick) ... "Super Woman," Lynn Anderson (Columbia) ... "Stone Flower" ... "You're Gone, Gone, Gone" ... "Bad Weather," 4 Tops (Motown) ... "Don't Have You," Continental 4 (Jay Walking) ... "I Need You Your Loving," Fats Domino (Imperial) ... "Sweet Blues Whenever Sent You," Originals (Soul) ... "Are You My Woman," Chuck Wood (Soul) ... "Lady Makes You Happy/Love is Funny Hill," Staple Singers (Stax) ... "Glory Of Love," Cadets (Modern) ... "Yesterday Is Long Time Ago," Major Lance (Curtom) ... "Bad Weather," Roberta (T.R.C.) ... "I Need You," Friends of Distinction (Tetragrammaton) ... "Cherish What Is Dear To You," Freda Payne (Invictus) ... "Heart Full Of Soul," Brenda and The Tabulations (Top and Bottom) ... "Soul Groove," Teddy and The Fingerprints (Soul) ... "Get Up On Your Board," Chairmen of the Board (Invictus) ... "Get Up Off Your Knees," Cannonball Adderley (Capitol) ... "Ain't Nobody Like Jesus," The Manhattans (DeLuxe) ... "Oh, How It Rained," Eddie Floyd (Stax) ... "Give Up Your Love," Soul Children (Stax) ... "Let's Get Together," Syl Johnson (Twinight).

SOLOMON BURKE

It was out Burke a few days ago when Solomon left Philadelphia. He called me from California and these are just a few of the things I learned from him.

He is now divorced. Ten of his children are with him. Of the 10 kiddies, 7 are now known as the SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF SOLOMON and soon be heard on MBM label. They range in age from 3 to 12 years.

Solomon is also in the management business. He has a young girl named "soul brother (Robert Lynn Brown), backed by a group of soul brothers both to be heard on the Manhattans label. Solomon is also writing a song called "Common People."

Solomon is now living in Hollywood and his latest MGM release should be in the market by the time this is on the market round about now.

Aside from singing and managing, he also is a producer. Soon he will be shot in several major cities across the country. Vegas is one.

SELLING AND WARM-UPS

AT RANDOM: "I'm Still Here," "Happy" (Delight) ... "Get Your Life Straight" ... Bill Cosby (Uni) ...