



With his tortured life having fallen back together somewhat, MARC ALMOND can afford to smile and wear silly studded belts. It seems that speculation of the cute lil' rebel you behold here working further with Bronski Beat was unfounded, but his new album, *Stories Of Johnny*, will be released here on *Some Bizarre* label, through Virgin.



MAXI PRIEST got his first release in this country on Virgin's excellent contemporary reggae sampler, *'Massive'*, with his hit track *'Should I'*. Now we're to get a whole album's worth of Maxi and his band *Caution*; *'You're Safe'* is essentially a greatest-hits-so-far from the Dennis Brown-style sweet singer.



It's time, children . . . time to reach out and embrace the love sensation, immerse yourself in Soundgasm . . . time for THE DUKES OF STRATOSPHEAR. The Dukes have transcended the petty limitations of time and space to give you a record awash with the things that really matter; like Syd Barrett, sugar cubes, love and long paisley jackets. The mini-LP is called *25 O'Clock*. The only other thing you need to know about the Dukes is that they're something to do with XTC . . .

It seems that black dance artists just can't resist their flirtations with white rock 'n' roll these days — Nona Hendryx went straight to the top and had Rolling Stone KEEF RICHARDS pop in and contribute a few licks to her third solo LP, *'Rock This House'*.



Deep in the bowels of Mandrill Studios, plans were hatched earlier this year. Englishman Tim Palmer (*Dead Or Alive*, *Kajagoogoo*, etc) was producing an album for an unknown band called SATELLITE SPIES. Now it can be told that the Spies are a core duo of Mark Loveys (vocals) and Tommy Joy (guitars). The two re-established a youthful partnership when Mark's band *Blase* broke up and now *Reaction Records* are confident that they'll be world-beaters. First single is the album's title track, *'Destiny In Motion'*.



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