



Working class hero, **John Lennon** is not content to have just \$125 million in his pocket. He is reputedly selling his share in Apple and is negotiating with Epic ... Chrysalis have dropped Pere Ubu and Ariola have signed Fire Department, a new band fronted by one time Animal, **Eric Burdon** ... the Kiss-off for **Peter Criss** is final. New Kiss drummer is not yet known ... **Robert Fripp** has a new band called the League of Gentlemen featuring ex-XTC keyboardman **Barry Andrews** ... former Dolls, **David Johansen** and **Syl Sylvain** are both in studios recording new albums ... Brian Gregory, guitarist with psychobilly loonies, the **Cramps** has quit the band claiming to be too old to play rock 'n' roll ... when Angel City (known as the **Angels** in Oz and here) lost their equipment on their first USA hike, Cheap Trickster **Rick Nielsen** loaned them gear and threw in a few licks himself ... recent show by the Godfather of soul, **James Brown** attracted the likes of Debby Harry, Willie DeVille and members of Selecter and the B52s ... **Steely Dan** have now been in the studio for a year, working on their new album. But alas, the end is not in sight, as Walter Becker recently broke his leg in four places ... also injured is David Lee Roth of **Van Halen**. In the darkness of an Italian TV studio, David did his famous leap and hit a lighting rig, breaking his nose (his probiscus, in two places) ... new Nick Lowe produced Warners album by **Carlene Carter** is entitled *Musical Shapes*, features Rockpile backing and is out on F-Beat Records in the UK ... **Mink DeVille** has signed to Atlantic Records ... trade mag, *Cashbox* expects the **Rolling Stones** to tour Europe, Australia and USA in 1980 ...

The *Great Rock 'n' Roll Swindle* film has finally been released. Whether it will make punk hip again, remains to be seen. Meanwhile Pistols man **Malcolm McLaren** has given up his week old gig as vocalist in Adam and the Ants, replacing himself with a 14 year old girl he discovered at a launderette ... Attraction, **Steve Naive** is recovering after a car accident. Jools

Holland from Squeeze stood in for Steve on Elvis' Italian TV special. The Attractions are planning a Costello-less album ... new **Joy Division** single is "Love Will Tear Us Apart". Their lead singer, **Ian Curtis** hung himself on May 18 after relationship hassles. He was 23 ... dropped from new **Stones** album, *Emotional Rescue* is the track "Claudine" a tune likely to upset a certain Osmonds uncle ... Steve Harley and **Cockney Rebel** are recording a new album ... recent number ones in UK include *Flesh and Blood* (Roxy Music) and Peter Gabriel's third album entitled *Peter Gabriel* ... Will video kill Yes? John Anderson and Rick Wakeman have left Yes. Replacements are Geoff Downes and Trevor Horn of **Buggles** ... **Pauline Murray** (ex-Penetration) has her own label, Illusive Records, distributed by RSO ... **XTC** are busy recording a new album for September release ... **Wilko Johnson** has disbanded the Solid Senders, has a new single produced by **Ian Dury** (on Blockhead Records) and is rumoured to be joining the Blockheads, replacing guitarist Chas Jankel ... **Stranglers** finances have been strained by a 10,000 pound bail payment to end three band member's week long stay in Nice (France) jail. They were charged with inciting violence at their concert ... **Geno Washington** (the man Dexy's Midnight Runners' "Geno" 45 is about) has returned to the UK with his American Ram Jam Band. His old UK Ram Jam Band is also touring ... **Phil Lynott** is recovering from a serious eye injury. The Lizzy leader was attacked when leaving a gig ... **Carl Radle** (37) the Derek and the Dominoes bassist who toured NZ with Clapton, died recently following a chronic kidney complaint ... *NME* resumed publication mid June after a six week absence from UK newstands due to a magazine journalists/employers dispute. Two new mags emerged in May, *The Face* (glossy Nick Logan fanzine) and tabloid, *New Music News*. During the dispute *Melody Maker* editor Richard Williams was fired, only weeks before new look *MM* was to hit the streets ...

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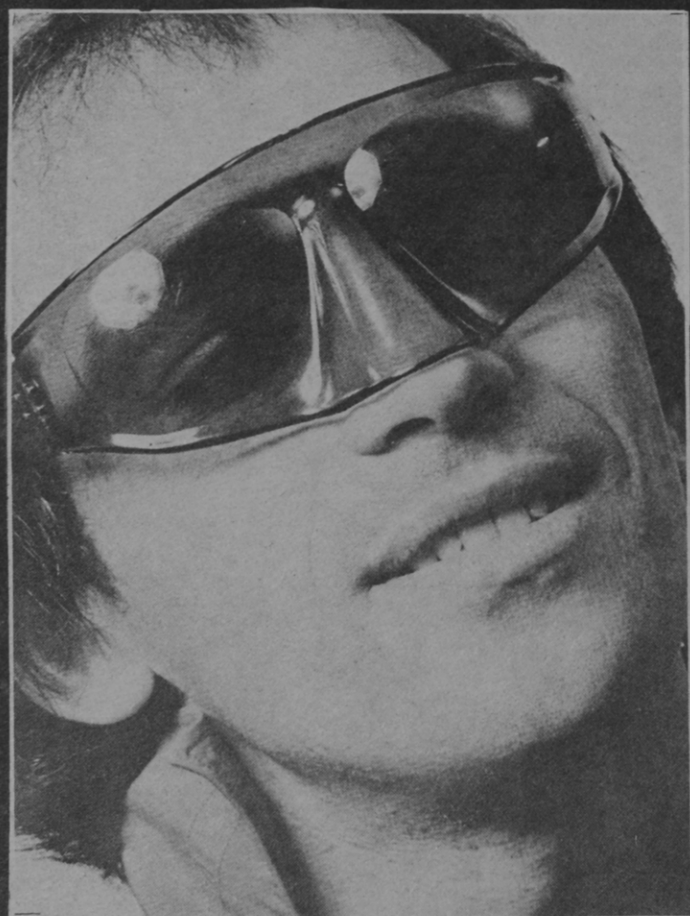
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