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SPIKE JONES BECOMES A DESCRIPTIVE TERM: Variety, the show business trade paper, used Spike Jones' name as a description of zany musical presentations recently. The reporter wrote that Rayburn and Finch, the humorists, "break into numbers with wacky spikejones effects: a cow mooing, a man asking the address of the Mayo Clinic, etc." Besides being a mighty fabulous man Spike Jones is now a way of doing things!

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GOTTA SEE IT AT LEAST TWICE: VERDICT ON DANNY KAYE PICTURE: The verdict of people who have seen Danny Kaye's latest film, "On The Riviera", is that you must see it at least twice. As one critic put it: "You cannot possibly catch all the wonderful lyrics, Danny's subtle inflections and clever touches, and the fine comedy work on seeing the picture once. You have to see it again..and it's a pleasure!"

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"MELODYLAND" HITS THE NEWSSTANDS: "Melodyland", the only magazine for music fans, hits the newsstands nationally on (Friday) July 27th. Included in the first issue are stories on Guy Mitchell, Vaughn Monroe, Doris Day, Jane Powell, Monica Lewis, Spike Jones, Billy Eckstine and dozens more. Also included are some luscious pin-ups. There is something of interest to every music fan in Melodyland.

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Spike Jones is off on a road tour with his Musical Depreciation Review, but before he left he made some mighty funny records. Due to be released soon is another of his hilarious satires on popular songs. If this doesn't kill the song, nothing will!..Danny Kaye and his wife Sylvia (Fine) have returned to Hollywood after spending two weeks in New York together. Dena Kaye accompanied her parents. Danny's versions of "Ballin' The Jack", "On The Riviera" and "I'm Late" have been hitting new highs...Morey Amsterdam, humorist-composer-cellist, has a promising record in "Sue Me" from the "Guys And Dolls" album. Composed by Frank Loesser, the Amsterdam version is bound to be a smash hit...Harry Link, ace music publisher, is delighted that the back of Kay Armen's "Come On-A My House" is gathering an equal number of disc jockey spins. It's his "Just In Case"..Helen Grayco (Mrs. Spike Jones) is staying home with "Tack" and "Casey" while her hubby is off on tour...Irving Fields, the man with the fabulous flying fingers, has announced his engagement to Jane Ferdinand, non-professional. They'll marry on August 26th...Insiders feel this coming Fall and Winter will be the biggest the music and entertainment world has seen in many years...The Smith Brothers, known for their fine vocal work, have just released "Jug Of Wine" as their initial Mercury record. More are scheduled for release in the coming weeks.

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