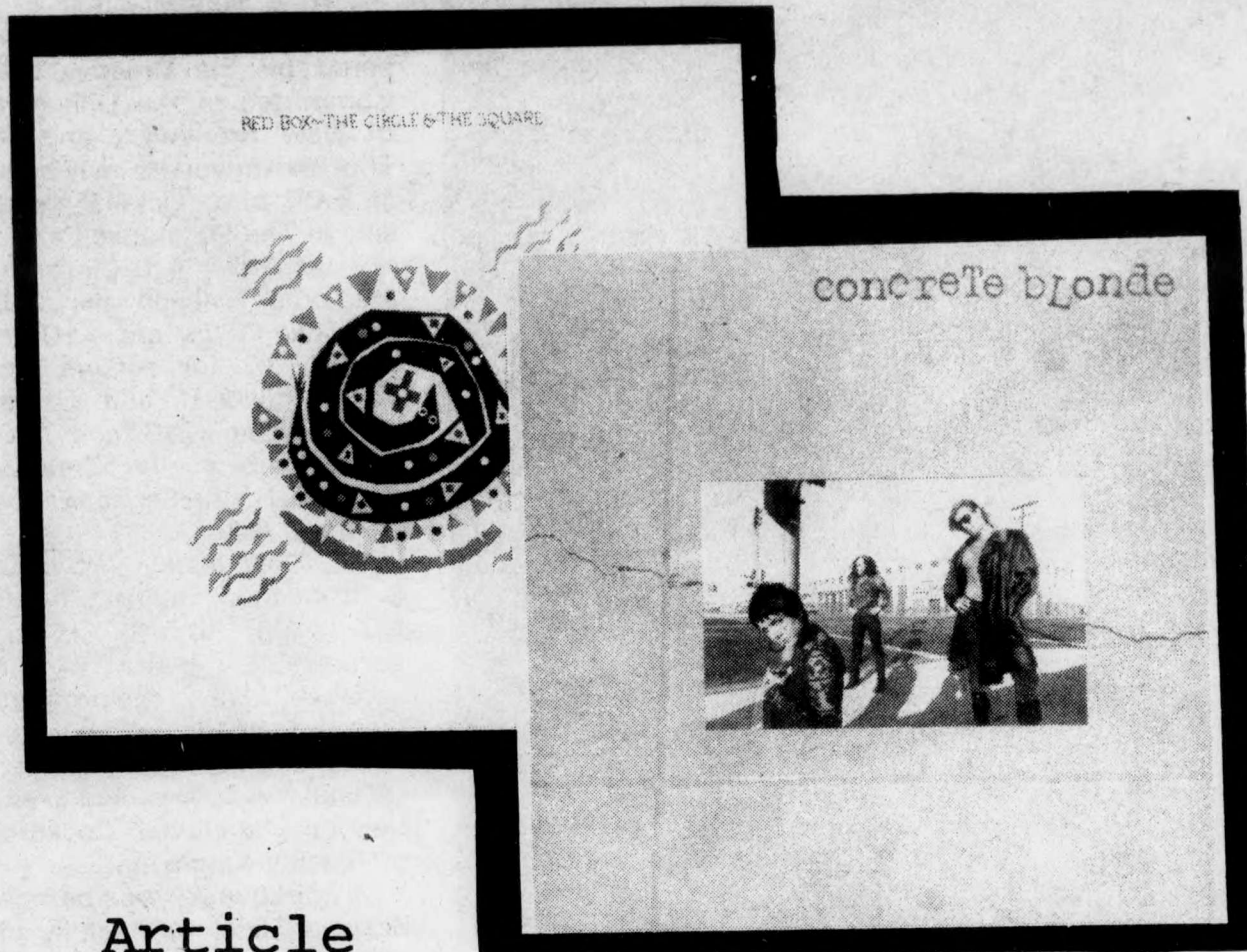


# Entertainment About the Town...

Plan to have a good weekend. Monday and Tuesday look pretty quiet.

30th	Variety Show	UNB Law Society Variety Show. At the Playhouse. 8 p.m.
30 & 31st	Film	UNB Film Society presents "Playtime" - Tilley Hall, Rm. 102, UNB. 8 p.m. \$3.00
1st	Art	Bruno Bobak Exhibition entitled "The Family Suite" at the University Club, Old Arts Building.
3rd	Recital	Creative Arts Committee presents Dimitri Sitkovesky, Russian born violinist playing Beethoven, Mozart and Janacek. Tickets available at Playhouse, UNB Arts Centre. \$10 Adults, \$5 Seniors, \$4 Students.
4th	Lecture	UNB Sociology Department research colloquium: Nancy Nason-Clark, 'Sex Discrimination Legislation and the Church of England' Tilley Hall, Rm 8 4 pm
5th	Film	Noon-hour film program: Music of the Spheres, Beaverbrook Art Gallery, 12:30 pm. Free

# Record Reviews



## Article

Richard Thornley

Several weeks ago, there arrived at my house a copy of the UK hits package "Hits 5". I gave the thing a listen or two and then put it aside. On the whole it was rather typical of hit records the world over - a bit of Rod Stewart, Ah-ha, Whitney Houston, etc. One track, however, did impress me and that was Red Box's single, "For America". A quirky bit of pop music featuring lush orchestration and relatively intelligent lyrics, it hooked its way into my head, stayed for about two days, and then left for good. The album is a lot like that.

Imagine an acoustic Blanc-mange or Ah-ha and you've got this band exactly. Simon Clarke and Julian Close (+

lots of studio musicians) put together twelve tunes that cover topics ranging from vague mysticism ("Chenko(tenka-io)") to the United States ("For America") to a Buffy St. Marie cover ("Saskatchewan"). On the whole the lyrics tend to pretentiousness using offbeat and often incomprehensible imagery. Predictably, the music is grandiose and over-produced, using lots of strings, brass, percussion, muted guitar effects, and a seventeen-piece choir. The hooks are plenty - one thing I can say about this group is that they sure have a knack for catchy arrangements. However, apart from a plea-

sant sound and catchy tunes, the music doesn't have much staying power and I found myself tiring of it quite quickly (Ear Candy for yuppies). For those of you with CD's who don't care what you buy so long as it sounds good, this recording is recommended; For the rest of you it isn't (unless of course you happen to like Ah-ha, Howard Jones, and stuff like that, in which case ...).

The second album I reviewed was totally different from the Red Box release. Concrete

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