

Tuesday Blue break into the US bigtime

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THERE IS nothing like a change of environment... like signing a 250,000 dollar record deal that could bring you from the dreary dole queues in Limerick to world-wide stardom.

For five young local musicians that is what is beckoning following the biggest ever music deal signed by a local group.

Grannies Intentions were big but local music experts believe that Tuesday Blue will be even bigger still.

Everything is pointing in that direction. Signing a record deal is a usual enough occurrence but signing on the dotted line with E.M.I. of the U.S. is a different matter.

Manager

"I am almost certain that they are the only Irish band to be signed up by E.M.I.," said the group's enthusiastic young manager, Hayden Harris.

As part of the contract signed the group now go on salaries as they work on their debut album which will be recorded more than likely in New York, Los Angeles or somewhere else in the States.

The members of the group got together three years ago. Ralph Lindheim is from Raheen; Mick Fean, Glenview; Ray Flynn, Shannon; Dave Keary, N.C.Rd. and Tom Jones, the keyboard and most

recent player, Dublin Road.

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Next break

The next break came when T.V. Ga Ga came to Limerick to record. Fortunately Adam Clayton, bass player from U2, saw the performance and invited them to record a single for the U2 Mother label.

"From there on it just snowballed and we sent copies of the single to all the major record companies. However, we were really surprised but delighted when an American company, E.M.I. became interested," said the manager.

Music experts from all over the world including E.M.I.'s man in New York came on different dates to view the band playing local gigs.

"At the end of all this a number of companies were interested in signing them up, but career wise we thought that E.M.I. was the best. The main thrust of the band will be towards Americas," he added.

Breakthrough

While he refused to mention money and the contract other than it was a "long-term recording contract," it is understood that initially E.M.I. will invest a quarter of a million dollars in the Limerick group.

"This is a major breakthrough

for Limerick and musicians locally and has given a new impetus and life to other musicians, while new bands are starting up all over the place," said Mr. Harris.

This week the group were finishing a short British tour after representing R.T.E. at the European Pop Convention.

"It will now be back to writing new material for the debut album with recording hopefully in January," said Mr. Harris.

Tanaiste escapes uninjured

The Tanaiste and Minister for Energy, Mr. Dick Spring, T.D., escaped unhurt when his Satate Mercedes collided with a ditch at Morgans South, Askeaton, at 7.30 p.m. on Saturday last.

Three other occupants in the car - the driver, Garda Donal O'Sullivan; Richard Laide, Lixnaw, and Arthur Spring the Minister's nephew, were also uninjured in the accident.

Although the car was extensively damaged Mr. Spring and his passengers were able to continue their journey to Limerick, where the Minister enjoyed better luck when his greyhound, "Spring One," qualified for the final of the Irish St. Leger in Limerick this Saturday night, the winner of which will receive £8,000 first prize.

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