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## First "Flying V" destroyed ... Harrison Gets Sued ... Snoop Dogg Stays Free.

**1958**, the first Flying V is shipped from Gibson's factory in Kalamazoo...the very same guitar was smashed to bits onstage fifteen years later by a frustrated Steven Joel Epstein, then-lead guitarist for **The JSDB** when the guitar kept "cutting out" during a performance at Detroit's LeGrande Ballroom. The problem was later found to be the fault of a frayed guitar cord. The Flying V is estimated to have been worth \$20,000 today. "So fucking what?," yelled Epstein, when reached at his stronghold in Orinda, CA. by our staff, "You can't even buy a fucking Dodge Neon for 20 grand these days...if I still had the "V", I'd smash it AGAIN and tell Pete Townshend to pack the pieces up his Fender-promoting ass!" Gibson, Fender and Pete Townshend could not be reached for comment.

**1963**, The Beatles form Northern Music Publishing which eventually will fall into the hands of Michael Jackson...Jackson subsequently gives the rights to a dozen songs from the Beatles catalog to **JSDB** vocalist Dennis Arnold Stubblefield in return for Stubblefield's permission for Jackson to name his son after the gonzo singer (as reported in this column last week...Dennis Arnold Jackson II). When reached at a snow chalet in Big Bear, CA, Stubblefield would only hint at what songs he was given by Jackson to close the deal. "Let's just say that every time "She Loves You" gets played, I get a Corvette", smirked the **JSDB** frontman, and then added, "Just to piss off Jacko, I also demanded the rights to "Baby's In Black", which was a tune I knew he wanted to keep for himself...fuck that lunatic, childhumping jerkoff!!"

**1968**, Detroit, Michigan, observes Aretha Franklin Day ... this is also the week that Pink Floyd cofounder Syd Barrett succumbs to mental illness and is replaced on guitar by the estimable David Gilmour...early **JSDB** tapes from this period show a remarkable similarity to the early Pink Floyd rehearsals with Gilmour, and also exhibit the band's total lack of empathy for Aretha Franklin Day...."She's R-E-A-L-L-Y, R-E-A-L-L-Y FUCKING FAT, I'm sure don't RESPECT where that's at..." sings vocalist Dennis Arnold Stubblefield at a gig in Tupelo, MS which lands him in the pokey for several hours when the concert grinds to halt after his outburst.

**1969**, Bob Dylan and Johnny Cash hit the studio together in Nashville to record "Bucket of Hate, Parts 1 and 2". written by **JSDB** guitarist Randy Cade ... Dylan is especially giddy about the results of the session, calling Cade "a lot better composer than Mr. Cornbread Peckerwood here." This was the last time that Dylan and Cash would record together, however it marked the beginning of a three-decades long commeraderie between Mr. Zimmerman and **The JSDB**.

**1972**, Pink Floyd premieres The Dark Side of the Moon live in London during a four-day gig a full year prior to the album's release... **The JSDB**, all of members still in college and all having campus radio shows play Brownsville Station, The Move, The MC5, Link Wray, The Who, Bonzo Dog Band and Alice Cooper but no Pink Floyd at all, ever. In spite of this mean-spirited boycott, Dark Side still manages to chart for 402 straight weeks.

**1974**, After 10 years of matrimonial bondage, Cher officially separates from Sonny...**JSDB** guitarist Randy Cade explains carefully to Saturday Night Live host Buck Henry on the air that "If you divide the number of years that Cher was married to Sonny by 10, you will be left with the number of keys this smarmy smirking slut can actually sing in."

**1976**, Rich Stevens, former lead singer for Tower of Power, is arrested for murder in a triple-slaying the

police believe to be related to a "Street Choose" gone bad on the Oakland/Berkeley border on San Pablo Avenue. Also this week, Bette Midler is given a Woman of the Year award by Harvard University's Hasty Pudding theatrical society and quips, "This award characterizes what the American male wants in a woman: brains, talent, gorgeous t\*ts", and the new **JSDB** triple-album "Open Wide For Chunky", The record mentioned by Midler (who the band consistently refers to as "Blowjobface Jewcow") is universally panned by critics for its pornographic cover artwork and for containing only two songs that take up the entire six sides of the LP, "Surfin' Bird" (3 minutes) and a live version of "Keep-A-Knockin", which clocks in at 2 hours, 26 minutes.

**1981**, In one of the most absurd events in the history of music, George Harrison is ruled to be liable for "subconscious plagiarism" in a civil case regarding his song "My Sweet Lord" and **The JSDB's** "Indian Dick". The judge orders that \$587,000 be paid to Lemoncustard/Blackwalnut Music, and an additional \$20,000 to JSDB roadie Milton E. Williams III for "emotional damages". George Harrison reportedly choked on a lump of brown rice when he learned of the verdict.

**1987**, Sly Stone goes down for letting illicit substances take him higher ... two outstanding warrants on drug charges land him in the pokey in LA ... by the end of the year he'll be doing hard time on cocaine charges...**The JSDB**, who shared many a bill with Stone in the 60's and 70's released their reaction to the verdict: "BLAHAAHA!!!"

**1988**, a 12-year-old Motley Crue fan in Florida sets his dick on fire while emulating a stunt seen in the group's Live Wire video ... Motley Crue issues a statement saying "the stunt should not be tried at home, dumbsh\*t"...From **The JSDB** camp: "We have nothing to add."

**1990**, Ike Turner is given a four-year prison sentence for commerce in cocaine ....**The JSDB**, who never played with either Ike or Tina Turner nonetheless released their reaction to the verdict: "MMMMMMMMMMMMBLAHAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAHA!"

**1996**, Snoop Dogg and a bodyguard are acquitted of first-degree murder in the death of Phillip Woldermarian, who was shot by Dogg's bodyguard ... Dogg claimed Woldermarian was a stalker and the shooting was in self-defense ... the jury deadlocks on voluntary manslaughter, a mistrial is declared, and the Dogg goes free...reporters who rushed to their computers to see what **The JSDB** had to say about the verdict found a screen with Snoop's face with jail bars drawn over it in and a sound bite of Yankee great (and legendary English language mangler) Yogi Berra saying "It's not over until it's over". Lead singer Dennis Arnold Stubblefield promised a "protest release" CD single with the working title "Snoop Must Take It In The Poop".

**1997**, This week Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream strives to maintain their market share among jam-band devotees by following up their Cherry Garcia with two new flavors-Phish Food and **JSDB** Cheesecake Nubits.

...and that was the week that was.