Henry Flynt & NOVA'BILLY Concert of avant-garde country music for dancing The Kitchen, NYC, June 27, 1975, 8:30 PM

Henry Flynt--composer; electric fiddle, vocals, electric guitar
Jim McAllister--lead electric guitar
Paul Colin--tenor sax; co-arranger
Don Christensen--drums
Larry Bennett--Fender bass
Peter Gordon--piano

program

- 1. "Lonesome Train Dreams I" fiddle simulates pedal steel solo over riffing country rhythm section; tonic pedal point harmony
- 2. "Portrait of M.S." multi-ethnic medley for country band; fiddle and guitar leads over gypsy rhythm section; tonic pedal point harmony
- 3. "Graduation" a song of personal politics; laid-back country accompaniment
- 4. "Heroin Concerto" features sax and fiddle; "Motown" rhythm; tonic pedal point blues; name derives from dragging, un-coordinated jazz sound
- 5. "Sky Turned Red" revolution song; tonic pedal point boogie accompaniment with changing time signatures; song ends with fake yodels

intermission

- 1. "Virginia Trance" Henry Flynt guitar solo based on trucking and trancing guitar style heard in Virginia; fast swing rhythm and mixed (pitch) mode
- 2. "Left Ear" humorous country song; followed by Indian-inspired fiddle solo; rock blues guitar solo; duet ending that emphasizes amplified high overtones
- 3. "Twist Out" sax solo over flexing polymetric accompaniment provided by fiddle and guitar, with sparse "random" accents from other instruments
- 4. "I Was A Creep" a song of personal politics; "Philadelphia" R&B accompaniment which contrasts with white "folk" style of voice production
- 5. "Double Spindizzy" is supposed to have a fiddle on each side of space playing double-stop glissando riffs while guitar in front and bass in back play fast blues swing, similar to "Virginia Trance," but in hocket; Kitchen facilities were inadequate for proper spatial distribution of sounds
- 6. "The International" the Communist anthem, with a completely new melody composed by Henry Flynt and a jazz-blues instrumental intro

Henry Flynt born January 19, 1940, Greensboro, N.C.

pre-recorded tapes used at the concert were produced at Henry Flynt's and Don Christensen's residences

support: we received a grand total of \$32 from the Kitchen and the balance of the musicians' fees was subsidized by Henry Flynt

reviews: the Village Voice makes it a matter of policy not to review my concerts—the listing in the Soho Weekly News Entertainment Calendar said that Henry Flynt is a "shitkicker" who threatens a hayseed takeover of New York