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(their second date in as many months, a trend I hope).

sort Bar, and Steve Mass among them.

**Swinging Singles:** The **Hi Sheriffs of Blue's** "Ain't But Sweet 16" (Roller Skate) was one of my most-played 45s last year—country blues meets an atomic warhead. The Hi Sheriffs gig very rarely and when I saw them months ago at the Mudd Club, I was surprised and somewhat disappointed by their toned-down, somewhat "straighter" approach. On their new single, "Cold Chills, Parts I and II" (Tweet), the change of pace remains, but my opinion has changed to almost unqualified approval. **Mark Dagley** leaves his guitar in the case this time out, leaving the sound sparse. The stuttering rhythm's ever on the verge of falling apart, and in holding together it forms a perfect backdrop for Dagley's strained and pained vocals. My complaint: Parts I and II in fact means Versions I and II, and they're too similar to justify including both. How about another song, gang? In any case, I'll be there this Saturday at A-7 to see the Hi Sheriffs