

Chantilly Lace

The Big Bopper

First appearance in trade magazines: February 23, 1959.

Label 58dj

Mono

Mercury MG-20402

White label promotional copy

58djA



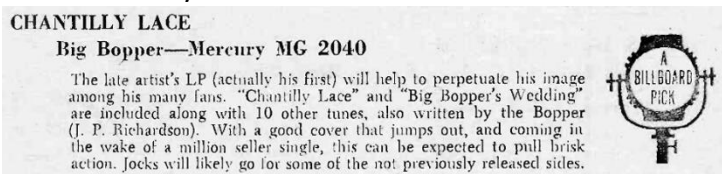
There are no song titles above the spindle hole.

58djB



There are four song titles above the spindle hole on each side.

The Bopper's first single, released by D in early June 1958 and by Mercury in late June, led to his recording enough songs for an LP in October. He never saw the release of his album, though, for he died shortly before it was ready for release.



Label 58

Mono

Mercury MG-20402

Black label with large oval logo and LONG PLAYING HIGH FIDELITY

First appearance in trade magazines: February 23, 1959

58A



"A Custom High Fidelity Recording" appears on two lines.

58dJB



"A Custom High Fidelity Recording" appears on three lines.

All original front covers (fc1) are slightly laminated.



Label 58s

Mono

Mercury MG-20402

Black label with small oval logo

Used from 1961 to 1964



Label 64

Mono

Mercury MG-20402

Red-orange label with black print; rim print reads VENDOR: MERCURY RECORD CORPORATION

Used in 1964



Beginning at this time, unlaminated covers (fc2) appear.

Label 64a

Mono

Mercury MG-20402

Red label with black and white print; rim print reads VENDOR: MERCURY RECORD CORPORATION
Used from 1964 to 1966



Label 64b

Mono

Mercury MG-20402

Red label with black and white print; no rim print
Used from 1966 to 1969



Label 69

No copies are known on this label style, although they may exist.

Red label with twelve Mercury logos and Mercury rim print

Used from 1969 to 1973

Label 73

No copies are known on this label style, although they may exist.

Red label with seven Mercury logos and Phonogram rim print

Used from 1973 to 1974

Label 74

No copies are known on this label style.

Street scene with MANUFACTURED and DISTRIBUTED BY PHONOGRAM, INC.

Used from 1974 through 1975

Label 74a

No copies are known on this label style.

Street scene with MANUFACTURED by PHONOGRAM, INC., A POLYGRAM COMPANY...

Used from 1/1976 to 9/79

Label 74b

Mono

Mercury MG-20402

Street scene with MANUFACTURED AND MARKETING...

Used from 9/79 to 2/83



Label 83

Mono

Mercury MG-20402

Black label with "neon" MERCURY and older catalog number

Used from 2/83 to 1987



Label 83a

Mono

Mercury 832-902-1

Black label with "neon" MERCURY and new catalog number

Label reads 1987



Copies from the BMG record club have the additional number of R-173421 on the label and back cover.

