TITLE: The Desert Song

TYPE: Round Dance

RECORD NUMBER: Sunny Hills # 3146 S

MUSIC BY: Jack Barbour's Rhythm Rustlers

DANCE ORIGINATED BY: Bill Lee, Temple City, California

FOOTWORK: Opposite throughout. POSITION: Closed, man facing LOD.

On last two meas., balance apart; balance together to closed. INTRO: MEASURES:

- Waltz Left; Waltz left to banjo; Back, Side, Close; Fwd, side, face;
 Waltz Left; Waltz left to banjo; Back, Side, Close; Fwd, side, face;
 Two L face turning waltzes; ending in banjo M-facing LOD; As M steps
 bkwd L, side on R in RLOD close L to R, W step fwd R side on L in RLOD
 close R to L turning to semi- C.P.; M step fwd R to side on L (to COH)
 close R to L, as W. steps fwd L pivot ½ L to face M, to side on R close
 L to R to C.P. M facing LOD.
 Twirl in; Wrap up; Roll her out; Turn to face; Under M's L arm W twirls
 R face 1 full turn diag. into COH M trailing; Join both hands, M raises
 his L-W-R hands high as she turns under ½ L face into a wrap to his R
 side keeping his R and her L hands around W's waist; release W's R hand
 & twirl her out R face two wall 1 full turn; M takes RLR (short steps)
 as W does a solo 1½ L face turn to face M in C.P.; Progress in LOD meas.
- as W does a solo la L face twa wall I full turn; M takes KLK (short steps)
 as W does a solo la L face turn to face M in C.P.; Progress in LOD meas.5-8.

 9-12 Twinkle out; Twinkle in; Twinkle to semi-Cl; Roll her in; Twinkle diag.
 fud out (MXIF) L over R, (WXIB) end in banjo; twinkle diag. in to side car;
 M twinkle diag out once more as W steps bk twa wall R, L close R to L ending in semi-cl. pos. both facing COH; M takes RLR short step in place to face LOD as W rolls 3/4 L face into COH to M's L side end in semi-open pos.

 M L arm around W waist focing LOD M L arm around W waist facing LOD.
- 13-16 Roll, her, across; Pivot turn; Twirl R; Fwd, side, face: As M steps LRL (short steps) W rolls across to M R side 1 full R face turn; M step fwd to C.P. starting 1 full R face pivot turn RLR prog. LOD; M does 1 fwd waltz as W twirls R face in LOD under M's L arm; Fwd, side face to CP same as meas. 4.
- 17-20 Bal. Fwd; Turn a half; Bal. fwd; Twirl L; Bal. fwd; L, hold; short steps

 M steps bkwd R; side L in RLOD, fwd R in RLOD completing & L face turn, as

 W step fwd in RLOD, L, R, L turning L to face M in CP; Bal. Fwd. in RLOD;

 W twirls & L face under M's L arm, M steps bk in LOD on R., bk on L making
 & R face turn, step fwd R to face LOD, end CP M facing LOD.
- ‡ R face turn, step fwd R to face LOD, end CP M facing LOD.
 21-24 Fwd, Side, Close: Hook, 2.3; Twinkle to semi; Fwd, side, back; M steps fwd L to side R cl L to R as W step bk on R bk on L close R to L both turning slightly to face COH in semi cl pos; M cross R ft over L & pivots ‡ L face on R to face RLOD as W walk fwd LRL to face M to CP; as M twinkles fwd in RLOD fwd L fwd R turning ½ L face close L to R, W steps bk R bk L close R to L both end facing LOD in semi clo pos M step fwd R side L in LOD cross R in bk of L (W counter-part)
 25-28 Twirl R; Roll her in; Roll her out; M Roll out; M steps fwd LRL as W twirls R face under his L arm to semi open, W on M's R side, M's R arm around her weight. M takes 3 short steps FW rolls across L face to
- around her waist; M takes 3 short steps RLR as W rolls across L face to his L side; M steps LRL as W rolls across R face to his R side; W steps LRL as M rolls across to W's right side, M's L arm around W waist, face LOD 29-32 Roll her across; Pivot turn; Twirl R; Fwd, side, face; Repeat meas 13-16.

Dance through 3 times. Last time omit meas. 32 (fud side face) Bal. apart and acknowledge joining M's R, W's L hands.