

A BIG MISTAKE

Kitch scolds Renegades

KITCHENER feels playing his tune for AMOCO Renegades is making a big mistake by not cost them the title.

The Grandmaster said he thinks so because his "Two To Go" is a specially-prepared Panorama tune.

Kitch said: "Any good steel-band should 'come good' playing it."

They played Somebody and they won.



KITCH: They should have stuck to their guns

gades is going to Panorama with Baron's "Somebody."

This move brings to an end a relationship of more than 10 continuous years between Kitch and Renegades, in which they won three National Panorama titles.

Jit revealed it was a very "tough decision" and he was a bit unhappy, but the public wanted to hear the band play something else.

"We have been go-

ing with Kitchener for years, and people were beginning to say we couldn't play anything else."

Jit laughed off the idea that he was afraid of the challenge.

"'Two To Go' has everything in it, and I can't see why a big band isn't playing it. 'Is it that they fear to take on such a challenge?' he taunted.

"It has strange chords and unusual bass lines.

"I would even say this is one of my best tunes for pan.

"I did the same thing way back in 1963 or 1964 with 'Steel-band Music,' when I played the bass pattern with my mouth.

"Shadow came in 1974 with Bassman, and I'm back again with it in 1989."

Kitch told the Love Paper this should have been the year for them (Renegades) to stick to their guns, but instead they have chosen to run.

Naturally he claims he is disappointed that the Charlotte Street steel orchestra has chosen not to go with him this year.

But he indicated he has resigned himself to the fact that it was the players' decision, and perhaps, the time had come for a change.

"Maybe they felt by changing they'd be successful.

"I have nothing against that, but I still feel it is a big mistake.

"There are other bands playing my song."

Like Kitch, arranger Jit Samaroo, too, was disappointed over the choice of tune.

But the publicity-shy Jit, in a rare interview, confirmed Rene-



Putting down 'wok'

FOR 1989 Ray Holman says that "Carnival Is For Woman," and boy does he know what he is talking about!

This is one season that is for sure to see women of all shapes and sizes throwing their burdens aside and feteing.

And if we are to judge from the women we saw at the Brasilia band launching at Westmoorings last weekend, it's going to be a hot, short season.

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