

SILVER STARS HAVE SET A HOT PACE



polished and sophisticated sound of the steel orchestra seem to demand a type of expertise which only people like Pouchet — leader and arranger of the Silver Stars for close to 15 years possesses.

Junior reads little music but his arrangements are full of R.

He has been able to steer the band to success with no long playing records and quite a number of 45's.

Junior was commissioned for a short while to train the Easy Steelband in Paramaribo and he was appointed arranger for the performance of the national steelband for three weeks at a convention of Moral Re-Armament in Michigan. a further tour by the steel band ambassadors across the 12 States of the American

Continuing's Industries Limited in January 1966 and were given the name Coca Cola Silver Stars.

Junior has said that there has always been cordial relationship between the band and the sponsors and they are very happy to have such association.

The band, with a regular playing side of 28 which swells into 96 strong at Carnival time, has made a

tour of the Caribbean and was the first steelband to play on the Antilles. They are looking forward to a two-day tour of Aruba and Puerto Rico within the next few weeks.

Only twice

Music has not been the only achievement of the Coca Cola Silver Stars. After all, said Junior, steel-

band is part of carnival and there is a mas' committee within the band.

This committee won the 'Band of the Year' title in 1963 with the stunning presentation of Gulliver's Travels and was second the following year with Seven Faces of Conquest. This year, they will present American Indians.

Only twice did Silver Stars not place in the Panorama finals.

They were champion steelband in north Trinidad in 1968.

Silver Stars are the most popular steel dance band in Trinidad.

In 1966, they were commended for best tonal arrangements.

The band has a unique sound of its own according to Professor John Russell, adjudicator at the 1966 steelband music festival.

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