



Country & Western Study Unit

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Chapters 4-5: Cowboys & Western Swing

Important Terms & Names

1) Radio influenced the popularity of early country music; what media helped popularize early cowboy music?

2) What singing technique, pioneered by Jimmie Rodgers, was brought into cowboy singing?

3) Who was considered the "King of the Cowboys"?

4) Who was #1 cowboy movie star before World War II? Who was #1 cowboy movie star following WW II?

5) Which cowboy movie star made the successful transition to television in the 1950's?

6) What cowgirl singer was reported to be the first female to have a million selling record?

7) What two American musical elements formed the style known as "western swing"?

8) What German dance music also influenced western swing?

9) What instruments were added to the string band to form the western swing band?

10) Who was the most well known figure in early western swing music? What was the name of his band?

11) What led to the decline of western swing bands in the early 1950's? What replaced the large dance bands?