Subject: Re: Monty Alexander

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Hey Lon; Not yet on the Vynil should be soon; funny but you mention Monty Alexander and the album with Grady Tate and H.H. Pedersen; Threesome, is sitting on the shelf here.. I find him a little superficial; lot of pop jazz; but that could be due to his production of albums. He is very prolific. I like the Live at Montreux disc; Jeff Hamilton is a good drummer. I am a big Oscar Petersen fan also; I find him to be lyrical but also he can get intense and percussive when the music calls for it.Let me ask you something; I came across these LP's at the local record store. They are released by a Japanese co. called Past Perfect and they are identified as the Silver Series. The music is all Jazz from the 30's to the 60's re-mastered in Germany. They are mostly mono; the reason I bring them up is the quality of the recordings are not to be believed. I have not heard this stuff this well recorded ever. The players are a who's who of Jazz from Lester Young to Artie Shaw, Bud Powell, you name it they are there. Have you ever heard of this series? The website is in Japanese. I am Listening to Harry Sweets Edison and it is like a modern recording with frequency extremes and prescence; yet they don't sound equalised. The owner of the store said they came from some distributor and he knows nothing about them. Any experience; do you like that stuff at all?