

Hal Blaine – single



629 Blaine, Hal & The Young Cougars *Challenger II/Gear Stripper* RCA Victor 47-8282 (US) 1962/63

Hal Blaine “The Drummer Man” with the usual bunch of friends. Nice instrumentals but Leon is inaudible. “Challenger II” written by Lee Hazelwood (it could also have been named “Telstar II” but without the organ!) and “Gear Stripper” is written by David Gates.

*Personnel (from the Album): Hal Blaine, drums - Frank Capp, Glenn Campbell, Billy Strange, Tommy Tedesco, Bill Pitman, Carol Kaye, Howard Roberts, guitar - Ray Pohlman, James Bond, bass - Russell Bridges - piano and organ - Darlene Peete, Gracia Nietzshe, Fanita James, vocals - Steve Kreisman (Douglas), sax, Ronald Smith, Marshall Cram, Richard Leith, trombone –
Recorded: December 15, 1962, October 15, 21, 25, April 4 1963, L.A.*