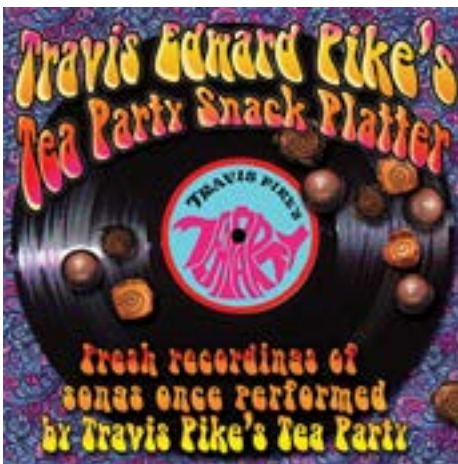


TEA PARTY SNACK PLATTER CD



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“This album gathers together new versions of songs from the time Travis spent fronting The Tea Party (previously The Boston Massacre), and I suspect it’s probably the CD that will prove of most interest to Fear & Loathing readers. Opening with a new recording of “If I Didn’t Love You Girl”, the a-side of their only single, this collection provides a great insight into how exciting and entertaining the band must have been in their heyday. Ranging from soulful crooners through to Frat rock stompers, it even veers into psychedelic territory at times. ‘Okay’ and ‘What’s the Matter With Your Mind’ are particularly effective, while ‘I’ll Do Anything I can’ features some great fruzz guitar and ‘You Got What I Need’ is a raw Garage classic with a suitably sleazy groove. When you hear this album, you’ll just be wishing that the original band had succeeded in releasing an album back in the day - it surely would have been a classic !

Andy Pearson



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Travis Edward Pike, **TEA PARTY SNACK PLATTER**

Genre: Rock

“Prior to claiming a career as a storyteller and composer, Travis began his musical journey at the helm of a Boston band modestly dubbed Travis Pike’s Tea Party. Though they only released one single, and their tenure was brief, lasting only from 1967-1968, they still sound like they could have been worthy contenders as far as that archival era was considered. Indeed, all of the songs included herein are radio worthy and hold up surprisingly well, even some 50 years past their prime. Timeless and tuneful, these re-recordings compare favorably with anything offered up by The Monkees, The McCoys, The Standells and others of that ilk.”

Lee Zimmerman