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Birmingham jeweler Andrew Rismann reviews the work of one of his employees, Neil Bauman. Risman, who makes custom jewelry, advises couples to pur-

chase a loose diamond so they can examine it for its

## Music should please guests

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first to sample the food and critique

Other considerations include whether the hall can comfortably seat the number of guests planned, whether parking is adequate and whether the tables are round or rectangular. tangular.

In addition, he said, couples should check whether the hall uses linen or paper tablectoths, china or Corning-ware, glass or plastic glasses and sil-ver or stainless steel flatware.

They should also find out what brands of liquor are served, how much is charged per glass (not bottle), and whether bartenders are provided, he

Then, DeSantis suggested, find out what extras are available. Sometimes, he said, hotels give the bride and

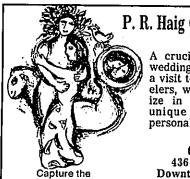
groom a free night on the house.

The object, DeSantis concluded, is for couples to find the highest quality hall for their money.

## THE BAND

"Price is always a question with bands," sald Dan Yessian of Dan Yes-sian Associates Inc., a Farmington Hills talent agency. "Unfortunately, it always seems to take precedence over quality."

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