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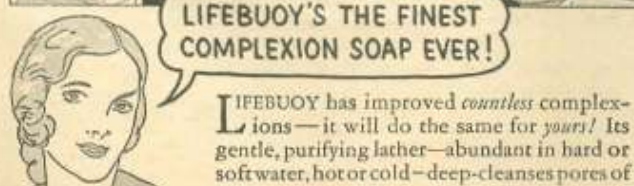
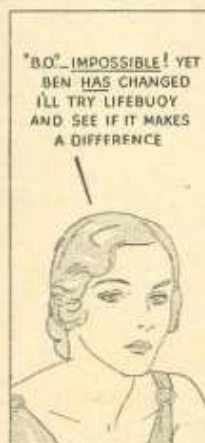
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Variety

MAJOR BOWES' CAPITOL FAMILY—NBC-WEAF, Sun. at 11:15 a. m.

BOND PROGRAM—Frank Crumit and Julia Sanderson. CBS, Sun. at 5:30 p. m.

SONGS MY MOTHER USED TO SING—Muriel Wilson, soprano, and Jacques Renard's Orchestra. CBS, Sun. at 6:00 p. m.

WARD'S FAMILY THEATRE IN TWO ACTS—Lean and Mayfield, comedy team; James Melton, tenor; Green Stripe Orchestra directed by Billy Arctur and guest stars. CBS, Sun. at 6:45 and 7:30 p. m.

AMERICAN REVUE—Guest stars and Jack Denny's Orchestra. CBS, Sun. at 7:00 p. m.

THE BAKER'S BROADCAST—Featuring Joe Penner, Ozzie Nelson and Harriet Hilliard. NBC-WEAF, Sun. at 7:30 p. m.

CHASE AND SANBORN HOUR—Eddie Cantor and Rubinoff and his violin. NBC-WEAF, Sun. at 8:00 p. m.

AN EVENING IN PARIS—With Claire Maffette, Katharine Carrington and Milton Watson. CBS, Sun. at 8:00 p. m.

FRED WARING'S PENNSYLVANIANS—Also the Lane Sisters, Babs Ryan, Poley McClintock and a guest artist. CBS, Sun. at 8:30 p. m. and Thurs. at 9:30 p. m.

SEVEN STAR REVUE—An all star revue with Nino Martini, Jane Froman, Julius Tannen, Ted Husing and Erno Rappee's Orchestra. CBS, Sun. at 9:00 p. m.

GULF HEADLINERS—George M. Cohan, The Revelers Quartet and Emil Coleman and his orchestra. NBC-WJZ, Sun. at 9:00 p. m.

MANHATTAN MERRY-GO-ROUND—Tamara, blues singer; David Percy; The Men About Town and Gene Rodemich's Orchestra. NBC-WEAF, Sun. at 9:00 p. m.

CHEVROLET PROGRAM—Victor Young and his orchestra. NBC-WEAF, Sun. at 10:00 p. m.

HALL OF FAME—Nat Shilkret's Orchestra and a guest from the stage or screen. NBC-WEAF, Sun. at 10:00 p. m.

BILL AND GINGER—Otherwise known as Lyn Murray and Virginia Baker. CBS, Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 10:15 a. m.

WILL OSBORNE AND HIS ORCHESTRA WITH PEDRO DE CORDOBA—CBS, Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 10:45 a. m.

MUSIC ON THE AIR—Orchestra directed by Robert Ambruster. CBS, Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 7:30 p. m.

THE MOLLE SHOW—Shirley Howard, The Jesters Trio and Tony Callucci. NBC-WEAF, Mon., Wed. and Thurs. at 7:30 p. m.

SEALED POWER SIDE SHOW OF THE AIR—Harold Stoke's Orchestra, Cliff Souther and the King's Jesters. NBC-WJZ, Mon. at 8:00 p. m.

HAPPY BAKERS—Phil Ducey, Frank Luther, Jack Parker and Vivian Ruth. CBS, Mon. and Wed. at 8:00 p. m.

A & P GYPSIES—Harry Horlick, director. NBC-WEAF, Mon. at 9:00 p. m.

SINCLAIR GREATER MINSTRELS—Directed by Harry Kogen with Gene Arnold and a male quartet. NBC-WJZ, Mon. at 9:00 p. m.

DEL MONTE SHIP OF JOY—With Captain Dobbsie and his crew. NBC-WEAF, Mon. at 9:30 p. m.

THE BIG SHOW—Gertrude Niesen, torch singer; Paul Douglas as m. c. and Isham Jones' Orchestra. CBS, Mon. 9:30 p. m.

JACK FROST MELODY MOMENTS—Orchestra directed by Josef Pasternack. NBC-WJZ, Mon. at 9:30 p. m.

PRESENTING MARK WARNOW—Connie Gates and the Four Eton Boys. CBS, Mon. at 10:45 p. m.

SILVER DUST SERENADE—CBS, Tues., Thurs. and Sat. at 7:30 p. m.

BLUE RIBBON PROGRAM—Ben Bernie, the "ole maestro." NBC-WEAF, Tues. at 9:00 p. m.

OLDSMOBILE PRESENTS—Ruth Etting, John Green's Orchestra and a pleasing chorus. CBS, Tues. and Fri. at 9:15 p. m.

TEXACO FIRE CHIEF PROGRAM—Ed Wynn and Don Voorhees' Band. NBC-WEAF, Tues. at 9:30 p. m.

GLEN GRAY AND HIS CASA LOMA ORCHESTRA—Also, Stoopnagle and Budd and Connie Boswell. CBS, Tues. and Thurs. at 10:00 p. m.

HARLEM SERENADE—The Five Spirits of Rhythm and Claude Hopkins' Orchestra. CBS, Tues. at 10:45 p. m.

INTERVALS WITH HOLLYWOOD STARS—Louella Parsons, well known Hollywood columnist and Raymond Paige's Orchestra. CBS, Wed. at 1:15 p. m.

ROYAL GELATIN—Presents Jack Pearl and George Olsen and his orchestra. NBC-WEAF, Wed. at 8:00 p. m.

WHITE OWL PROGRAM—Burns and Allen and Guy Lombardo and his orchestra. CBS, Wed. at 9:30 p. m.

FRED ALLEN'S SAL HEPATICA REVUE—Fred Allen, Jack Smart and Mary McCoy with Ferde Grofe's music. NBC-WEAF, Wed. at 9:30 p. m. For NBC Pacific Coast listeners at 12:30 a. m.

OLD GOLD PROGRAM—Music by Ted Fiorito and his orchestra. CBS, Wed. at 10:00 p. m.

PLOUGH'S MUSICAL CRUISER—Vincent Lopez and his orchestra and the King's Jesters. NBC-WJZ, Wed. at 10:00 p. m.

ANDRE KOSTELANETZ PRESENTS—Evelyn McGregor and Evan Evans. CBS, Wed. at 10:45 p. m.

FLEISCHMANN HOUR—Rudy Vallée, his orchestra, and celebrities from the stage and screen. NBC-WEAF, Thurs. at 8:00 p. m.

VOICE OF AMERICA—With Alex Gray and Mary Eastman. CBS, Thurs. at 8:30 p. m.

CAPTAIN HENRY'S MAXWELL HOUSE SHOWBOAT—Charles Winninger, Lanny Ross, Annette Hanshaw and Gus Haenchen's Orchestra. NBC-WEAF, Thurs. at 9:00 p. m.

KRAFT-PHENIX PROGRAM—Al Jolson, Paul Whiteman's Orchestra and Deems Taylor. NBC-WEAF, Thurs. at 10:00 p. m.

CALIFORNIA MELODIES—Hollywood's famous and Raymond Paige's Orchestra. CBS, Thurs. at 11:00 p. m.

ZOEL PARENTEAU'S ORCHESTRA—With Harold Van Amburgh. CBS, Fri. at 6:45 p. m.

THE NESTLE CHOCOLATEERS—Walter O'Keefe, Ethel Shutta and Don Bestor's Orchestra. NBC-WJZ, Fri. at 8:00 p. m.

LET'S LISTEN TO HARRIS—Also, Leah Ray. NBC-WJZ, Fri. at 9:00 p. m.

THE ARMOUR PROGRAM—With Phil Baker, the Neil Sisters and Roy Shields' Orchestra. NBC-WJZ, Fri. at 9:30 p. m.

THE POWDER-BOX REVUE—Starring Jack Whiting, Jeannie Lang and Her Rascals and Jack Denny's Orchestra. CBS, Fri. at 9:30 p. m.

SWIFT REVUE—Harry Sosnick's Orchestra and Olsen and Johnson. CBS, Fri. at 10:00 p. m.

FORTY-FIVE MINUTES IN HOLLYWOOD—The new movies; Cal York, reporter; Eton Boys Quartet and Mark Warnow's Orchestra. CBS, Sat. at 8:00 p. m.

TRADE AND MARK—Or Billy Hillpot and Scrappy Lambert. Music directed by Nat Shilkret. CBS, Sat. at 8:45 p. m.

COLGATE HOUSE PARTY—Donald Novis, tenor; Frances Langford, Arthur Borman and Don Voorhees' Orchestra. NBC-WEAF, Sat. at 9:00 p. m.

BROADCAST FROM BYRD EXPEDITION—Also, William Daly's Orchestra. CBS, Sat. at 10:00 p. m.

HOLLYWOOD ON THE AIR—Your movie favorites presented by James Fidler. NBC-WEAF, Sat. at 12:00 midnight.

CAREFREE CARNIVAL—Music furnished by Meredith Willson's Orchestra. NBC-WEAF, Sat. at 12:30 a. m.

Children's Programs

THE LADY NEXT DOOR—Madge Tucker. NBC-WEAF, Mon. to Fri. at 4:45 p. m.

SKIPPY—An animation of the famous cartoon. CBS, Mon. to Fri. at 5:00 p. m.

JACK ARMSTRONG—All American Boy. CBS, Mon. to Sat. at 5:30 p. m.

THE WIZARD OF OZ—NBC-WEAF, Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 5:45 p. m.

H-BAR-O-RANGERS—CBS, Mon. to Fri. at 6:15 p. m.

BILLY BATCHELOR—NBC-WEAF, Mon. to Fri. at 7:15 p. m.

WINNIE THE POOH—NBC-WEAF, Thurs. at 5:30 p. m.

STAMP ADVENTURES' CLUB—CBS, Thurs. at 5:45 p. m.

ADVENTURE OF HELEN AND MARY—CBS, Sat. at 10:30 a. m.

Dance Music

WAYNE KING and his orchestra. NBC-WEAF, Sun. at 3:00 p. m., Tues. and Wed. at 8:30 p. m., CBS, Mon. at 10:00 p. m.

LITTLE JACK LITTLE and his orchestra. CBS, Sun. at 11:15 p. m., Tues. at 8:00 p. m. and Wed. at 11:30 p. m.

MISCHA RAGINSKY and his Hotel Edison Ensemble. CBS, Mon. at 1:30 p. m., Wed. at 12:45 p. m. and Sat. at 4:30 p. m.

PHIL HARRIS and his Hotel St. Regis Orchestra. NBC-WJZ, Mon. at 11:30 p. m. NBC-WEAF, Wed. at 12:00 midnight.

LEON BELASCO and his orchestra. CBS, Mon. and Fri. at 12:00 midnight.

LEO REISMAN and his orchestra. NBC-WEAF, Tues. at 8:00 p. m.

EDDIE DUCHIN and his Central Park Casino Orchestra. NBC-WJZ, Tues., Thurs. and Sat. at 9:30 p. m.

PAUL WHITEMAN—NBC-WEAF, Tues. at 11:30 p. m. NBC-WJZ, Sat. at 11:30 p. m.

OZZIE NELSON'S ORCHESTRA—CBS, Tues. at 11:30 p. m. and Thurs. at 12:00 midnight.

VINCENT LOPEZ' ORCHESTRA—CBS, Tues. at 12:00 midnight.

ENRIC MADRIGUERA and his Waldorf-Astoria Orchestra. NBC-WJZ, Wed. at 12:30 a. m. NBC-WEAF, Thurs. at 11:30 p. m.

ISHAM JONES' ORCHESTRA—CBS, Thurs. and Fri. at 11:30 p. m.

JAN GARBER and his orchestra. NBC, Sun. at 3:30 p. m.

JIMMY LUNCEFORD and his orchestra. NBC-WEAF, Thurs. at 12:00 midnight. NBC-WJZ, Fri. at 12:00 midnight.

GUY LOMBARDO and his Royal Canadians. CBS, Sat. at 11:00 p. m.

More Serious Music

SALT LAKE CITY TABERNACLE CHOIR—CBS, Sun. at 11:30 a. m.

RADIO CITY CONCERT—Radio City Symphony Orchestra directed by Erno Rappee. Also vocal and instrumental soloists. NBC-WJZ, Sun. at 12:30 p. m.

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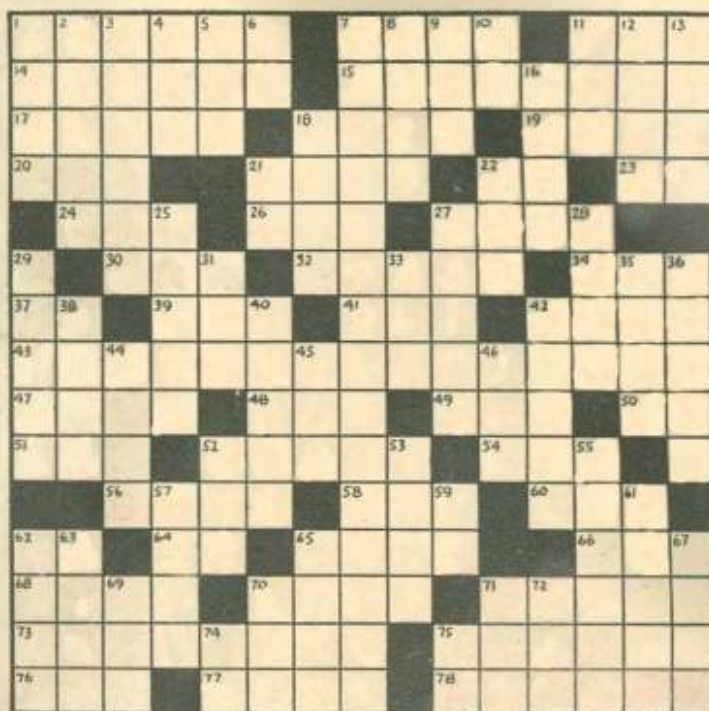
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- 1 Joe ——— comedian
- 7 Lanny ——— singer
- 11 Vera ——— singer
- 14 Star to action
- 15 Be before in time
- 17 Join
- 18 Short lyric poems
- 19 American Indians
- 20 Lily (Fr.)
- 21 Storklike bird
- 22 Indelible article
- 23 Measure of length (Abbr.)
- 24 Storklike bird
- 25 Also
- 27 Pace
- 29 Singin'
- 32 Military stockade
- 34 Period of time
- 37 Exit
- 39 ——— Huxing
- 41 Yale
- 42 Skin of fruit
- 43 Pertaining to mutual association
- 47 Entrance or exit
- 48 Malt liquor
- 49 Cloth measure
- 50 French masculine article
- 51 Latin "is"
- 52 Exchanges by barter
- 54 Hit (Colloq.)
- 56 Drains of vigor
- 58 A radio act that catches on
- 60 Curded fabric
- 62 One of the two states that voted dry (Abbr.)
- 64 Western continent (Abbr.)
- 65 Musical sound
- 66 Gum resin
- 68 The man who is giving the party
- 70 Sound of a bell
- 71 Impresario of the Metropolitan Opera
- 72 Trick or device
- 73 Made by guns, teachers, and committees
- 76 Bill ——— announcer
- 77 David ———
- 78 Ben ——— (To give me!)

DOWN

- 1 ——— Whiteman
- 2 ——— Harp
- 3 What your loudspeaker sometimes makes
- 4 Member of the Cuckoo Hunt
- 5 Compass-point
- 6 Concocting
- 7 Devices for holding distant conversations without wires
- 8 Persons
- 9 Saints (Abbr.)
- 10 Compass-point
- 11 Large tub
- 12 Egyptian mythological solar disk
- 13 Cozy place

- 14 Wind-instrument
- 21 Neutral pronoun
- 22 Consumed
- 25 Afterward
- 27 Meanness
- 28 Part of hammer-head opposite the face
- 29 Dwell
- 31 Ocean (Fr.)
- 33 Winglike appendage
- 35 Genuine
- 36 Last name of Fred and Grace
- 38 Hebrew prophet
- 39 Makes a picture
- 42 Kind of expedition on which Byrd and his crew are
- 44 Children
- 45 Highest note in Guido's scale
- 46 Unwell
- 52 Wateringplace
- 53 Kate Smith, Rudy Vallee, Wilfred Glenn, and others all do this
- 55 James ———, singer
- 57 Italian wine
- 59 Tellurium (Chem.)
- 61 Angelo ———
- 62 Persian monarch
- 63 Girl's name
- 65 Nervous twitches
- 67 Quote
- 69 Pigeon
- 70 Spanish river
- 71 Command to a horse
- 72 Spring month (Abbr.)
- 73 French (Abbr.)
- 75 Initials of popular dramatic critic and radio entertainer

Solution to April Puzzle



The Radio Parade

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AMERICAN ALBUM OF FAMILIAR MUSIC—Frank Munn and Virginia Rea, vocalists; Ohman and Arden, piano duo; Bertrand Hirsch, violinist and Haenschel's Orchestra. NBC-WEAF, Sun. at 9:30 p. m.

PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA—Leopold Stokowski and Sylvan Levin conduct alternately. CBS, every day except Sun. at 9:00 p. m.

ROCHESTER CIVIC ORCHESTRA—NBC-WJZ, Tues. at 3:00 p. m.

HOWARD BARLOW AND NEW WORLD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA—CBS, Wed. at 4:00 p. m.

CASTORIA presents Albert Spalding, eminent violinist; Conrad Thibault, tenor and Don Voorhees' Orchestra. CBS, Wed. at 8:30 p. m.

NBC MUSIC APPRECIATION HOUR—Directed by Dr. Walter Damrosch. NBC-WEAF-WJZ, Fri. at 11:00 a. m.

CITIES SERVICE CONCERT—Jessica Dragonette, soprano and the Cavaliers. NBC-WEAF, Fri. at 8:00 p. m.

METROPOLITAN OPERA COMPANY—NBC-WEAF-WJZ, Sat. at about 2:00 p. m.

BOSTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA—NBC-WEAF, Sat. at 8:30 p. m.

Comedy Sketches

CLARA, LU 'N' EM—NBC-WJZ, every morning except Sat. and Sun. at 10:15 a. m.

AMOS 'N' ANDY—NBC-WJZ, every evening except Sat. and Sun. at 7:00 p. m. and again at 11:00 p. m. for those west of Chicago.

THE GOLDBERGS—NBC-WEAF, every evening except Sat. and Sun. at 7:45 p. m.

EASY ACES—Jane and Goodman Ace. CBS, Tues., Wed., Thurs. and Fri. at 1:30 p. m.

Featured Stars

LAZY DAN, THE MINSTREL MAN—CBS, Sun. at 1:30 p. m.

HELEN MORGAN—And Jerry Freeman's Orchestra. CBS, Sun. at 2:00 p. m.

ABE LYMAN and his orchestra. CBS, Sun. at 2:30 p. m.

SMILING ED McCONNELL—CBS, Sun. at 6:30 p. m., Wed. and Fri. at 12:30 p. m.

VOICE OF FIRESTONE—Lawrence Tibbett and Richard Crooks, alternately. NBC-WEAF, Mon. at 8:30 p. m.

BING CROSBY—And Gus Arnheim's Orchestra. CBS, Mon. at 8:30 p. m.

CHARLES CARLILE—CBS, Mon. at 9:15 p. m., Tues., 11:15 p. m.; Thurs., 11:15 p. m.

FRAY AND BRAGGIOTTI—Grand piano duo. CBS, Tues. at 8:45 p. m.

TITO GUIZAR—CBS, Wed. at 6:45 p. m. and Thurs. at 6:30 p. m.

ALEXANDER WOOLLCOTT—CBS, Wed. and Sat. at 9:15 p. m.

FIVE SPIRITS OF RHYTHM—Syncopated songs. CBS, Wed. at 11:15 p. m. and Thurs. at 8:00 p. m.

MARY EASTMAN—CBS, Fri. at 10:45 p. m.

MEET THE ARTIST—Radio artists interviewed by Bob Taplinger. CBS, Sat. at 6:00 p. m.

GEORGE JESSEL—Mildred Bailey, the Eton Boys' Quartet and Freddie Rich's music. CBS, Sat. at 7:30 p. m.

Dramatic Programs

BAR X DAYS AND NIGHTS—Carson Robison and his Buckaroos. NBC-WJZ, Sun. at 2:00 p. m.

PRINCESS PAT PAGEANT—Dramatic sketches. NBC-WJZ, Sun. at 4:30 p. m.

ROSES AND DRUMS—Plays based on American history. CBS, Sun. at 5:00 p. m.

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PAUL WHITEMAN solves a mystery and gives a clue to finer radio music

1 ON THE DANCE FLOOR

OH, MR. WHITEMAN, HOW DIFFERENT YOUR MUSIC SOUNDS—IT WAVES SO ON MY RADIO

STRANGE—IT MUST BE YOUR RADIO

2

HOW WOULD YOU TWO LIKE TO SEE INSIDE A RADIO STUDIO? I'M GOING OVER IN A FEW MINUTES

OH, HOW THRILLING—I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO SEE THEM BROADCAST

3 IN RADIO CITY

THESE ARE THE BIG RCA TUBES ALL THE LARGE STATIONS DEPEND ON

AND, OF COURSE, OUR ENGINEERS CHANGE THEM REGULARLY TO INSURE THE VERY clearest TONE

4

AHA—MAYBE THAT'S WHAT YOUR SET NEEDS—NEW TUBES

THAT'S THE ONE THING WE FORGOT. THEY'RE ABOUT A YEAR OLD, I'LL HAVE THEM TESTED FIRST THING

5 A WEEK LATER

OH, MR. WHITEMAN, YOUR MUSIC COMES IN FINE ON OUR RADIO NOW. WE HAVE A NEW SET OF MICRO-SENSITIVE RCA RADIO TUBES

THAT'S GREAT—TELL YOUR FRIENDS ABOUT IT. THEY WANT BETTER RECEPTION, TOO

NEW LIFE FOR OLD RADIOS!

Quicker start! More power! Better tone! It really means *new life* for your set when you replace old, worn radio tubes with these new Micro-Sensitive tubes by RCA. These are the only tubes *guaranteed* by RCA Radiotron Company to give you 5 important improvements. Have your dealer test your tubes today. Insist on RCA Radio Tubes—and bring back the thrill of radio.



NEW MICRO-SENSITIVE
RCA RADIO TUBES
GIVE YOU:

- 1 Quicker Start
- 2 Quieter Operation
- 3 Uniform Volume
- 4 Uniform Performance
- 5 Every Tube is Matched

RCA **Lunningham** **Radiotron** **RADIO TUBES**

MY SECRET

to give

Beauty

ADDED Loveliness



As told to Florence Vondelle by CLAUDETTE COLBERT
Starring in Paramount's "FOUR FRIGHTENED PEOPLE"

Powder

...the first essential is face powder to harmonize with my colorings...black hair, dark eyes, olive skin. Max Factor's Olive Powder is correct. A color harmony tone, richly beautiful, to enliven the beauty of the skin. Fine in texture, it adheres perfectly, and creates a satin-smooth make-up that clings for hours.

Rouge

...next, to impart a youthful, natural glow of color to the cheeks, rouge must, of course, harmonize with your face powder and your colorings. Max Factor's Raspberry Rouge is correct for me. A perfect color tone...and creamy-smooth, like finest skin-texture, it blends evenly...imparting a delicate, lifelike coloring.

Lipstick

...last, and so very important, is lip make-up to accent the lovely appeal of your lips. Max Factor's Super-Indelible Crimson Lipstick completes my color harmony make-up. It is moisture-proof, the color is natural and permanent and once I've made up my lips I know they'll appear perfect for hours.

WHEN you see the lovely beauty of Claudette Colbert flash upon the screen, you know that she gives extra thought to her make-up.

"To me, make-up means the accentuation of nature's colorings," explains Claudette Colbert. "That is why color harmony make-up, created by Max Factor, is so perfect. The color tones of powder, rouge and lipstick harmonize to bring out a new enchanting loveliness."

New loveliness for you, too...for you may now share the luxury of color harmony make-up, created originally for the screen stars by Max Factor, Hollywood's make-up genius. Max Factor's Face Powder, One dollar; Max Factor's Rouge, Fifty cents; Max Factor's Super-Indelible Lipstick, One dollar. Featured by leading stores.

Max Factor * Hollywood

SOCIETY MAKE-UP...Face Powder, Rouge, Lipstick, in COLOR HARMONY

TEST YOUR COLOR HARMONY in FACE POWDER and LIPSTICK

MAX FACTOR—Max Factor's Make-Up Studio, Hollywood, Calif.
SEND Purple-Blue Box of Powder in my color harmony shade and Lipstick Color Tester, four shades, I enclose 10 cents for postage and handling. Also send me Color Harmony Make-Up Chart and 48-page Illustrated Instruction Book, "The New Art of Society Make-Up"....FREE.

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Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Gray <input type="checkbox"/>	Light <input type="checkbox"/> Dark <input type="checkbox"/>
Creamy <input type="checkbox"/>	Green <input type="checkbox"/>	BROWNETTES
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Ruddy <input type="checkbox"/>	Brown <input type="checkbox"/>	BREDNETTES
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The Radio Parade

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TALKIE PICTURE TIME—June Meredith in the lead. NBC-WEAF, Sun. at 5:30 p. m.

RIN TIN TIN THRILLER—With Francis X. Bushman. CBS, Sun. at 7:45 p. m.

PATRI'S DRAMAS OF CHILDHOOD—Stories from Life. CBS, Sun. at 10:00 p. m.

ROMANCE OF HELEN TRENT—CBS, Mon. to Fri. at 2:15 p. m.

BUCK ROGERS IN THE 25TH CENTURY—CBS, Mon., Tues., Wed. and Thurs. at 6:00 p. m.

MYRT AND MARGE—CBS, every day except Sat. and Sun. at 7:00 p. m.

SOCONYLAND SKETCHES—NBC-WEAF, Mon. at 8:00 p. m.

RED DAVIS—With Curtis Arnall. NBC-WJZ, Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 8:45 p. m.

MARIE, THE LITTLE FRENCH PRINCESS—CBS, Tues., Wed., Thurs. and Fri. at 1:00 p. m.

LITTLE ITALY—Or, the Marino family. CBS, Tues. and Thurs. at 6:45 p. m.

ENO CRIME CLUES—Thrilling mysteries. NBC-WJZ, Tues. and Wed. at 8:00 p. m.

THE CRUISE OF THE SETH PARKER—NBC-WEAF, Tues. at 10:00 p. m.

MARCH OF TIME—Dramatic presentations of the news of the week. CBS, Fri. at 8:30 p. m.

FIRST NIGHTER DRAMAS—NBC-WEAF, Fri. at 10:00 p. m.

Specialty Programs

CHURCH OF THE AIR—CBS, Sun. at 10:00 a. m. and 1:00 p. m.

FATHER COUGHLIN—WOR, Sun. at 4:00 p. m.

CHEERIO—NBC-WEAF, every day except Sun. at 8:30 a. m.

TONY WONS—CBS, every day except Sat. and Sun. at 11:30 a. m.

THE VOICE OF EXPERIENCE—CBS, every day except Sat. and Sun. at 12:00 noon and Tues. at 8:30 p. m.

AMERICAN SCHOOL OF THE AIR—CBS, every school day at 2:30 p. m.

KITCHEN CLOSE-UPS—Mary Ellis Ames. CBS, Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 11:00 a. m.

THE MYSTERY CHEF—CBS, Tues. and Thurs. at 9:45 a. m. NBC-WEAF, Wed. and Fri. at 10:00 a. m.

THE PET MILKY WAY—Mary Lee Taylor. CBS, Tues. and Thurs. at 11:00 a. m.

FRANCES LEE BARTON—NBC-WEAF, Tues. and Thurs. at 11:15 a. m.

MADAME SYLVIA OF HOLLYWOOD—NBC-WEAF, Tues. at 10:30 p. m.

JAN ELLISON'S MAGIC RECIPES—CBS, Wed. at 11:45 a. m.

SCIENCE SERVICE—By prominent scientists. CBS, Wed. at 4:30 p. m.

IDA BAILEY ALLEN—Radioland's own home authority. CBS, Thurs. at 10:15 a. m.

ELDER MICHAUX AND HIS CONGREGATION—CBS, Sat. at 7:00 p. m.

LEADERS IN ACTION—H. V. Kaltenborn sketches some prominent government figures. CBS, Sat. at 10:45 p. m.

News Commentators

JOHN B. KENNEDY—NBC-WEAF, Sun. at 4:00 p. m., Tues. at 11:00 p. m. and Thurs. at 6:30 p. m.

WALTER WINCHELL—NBC-WJZ, Sun. at 9:30 p. m.

H. V. KALTENBORN—CBS, Sun. at 11:00 p. m. and Fri. at 6:00 p. m.

LOWELL THOMAS—NBC-WJZ, every day except Sat. and Sun. at 6:45 p. m.

BOAKE CARTER—CBS, every day except Sat. and Sun. at 7:45 p. m.

EDWIN C. HILL—CBS, every day except Sat. and Sun. at 8:15 p. m.

FREDERIC WILLIAM WILE—CBS, Sat. at 6:30 p. m.

RADIOLAND

MAY, 1934

The Editor's Opinion

Too Good To Be Through

ONE of radio's little ironies is found in the news that Jack Benny, who upset the applecart by placing first among radio comedians in the New York *World-Telegram* poll of radio editors—outdistancing Cantor, Wynn, Pearl, Penner, and the rest by a comfortable margin—is rewarded by being yanked off his Chevrolet program in favor of an orchestra, because the new president of the company likes soft music. No doubt by the time these words appear in print, Jack will have been snapped up by some sponsor and restored to the ether, but that doesn't dull the point of the incident, which gives an illuminating glimpse into the topsy-turvy nature of the whole radio set-up. Imagine a film star having his contract canceled immediately after scoring a box-office hit, or a matinee idol getting his conge after winning a popularity contest. Little old John Q. Public can well slink back into his easy chair and ponder on what campaign to adopt to keep his radio favorites on the air.

Father Coughlin, thought by many to be a sort of unofficial spokesman for the Roosevelt administration, doesn't always see eye-to-eye with the President. In declaring himself in favor of immediate payment of a soldier's bonus, the radio priest aligned himself with those opposed to President Roosevelt's wishes in the matter. Latest developments in the amazing story of Father Coughlin are presented in the concluding article on his career, in this issue.

The Free Show Bugaboo

AT LAST the radio studios with their network shows attended by free audiences have hit the movies in the spot which evokes the loudest response—the pocketbook. With an estimated weekly attendance of 100,000 at radio broadcasts throughout the country, theatre interests figure that there are at least \$50,000 worth of theatre admissions gone forever—money that has been

diverted from their own pockets. Complaints about unfair competition have been voiced and NRA or CWA or some other set of governmental initials is likely to inquire into the matter. At the moment there seems little possibility that the studios will abandon their free audiences, what with NBC in its new home having made lavish provision for audiences, and CBS leasing a theatre so that spectators may attend. Most local studios, too, have their invited audiences. Sponsors regard the privilege of inviting guests to their entertainments as one of the prerogatives of buying time on the air, and as they put up the cash there's some justice in their stand. But the theatre interests are rolling up their sleeves and digging in for a real fight.

Radio seems far less cordial in its acceptance of colored entertainers than the theatre and the vaudeville stage. Ethel Waters, currently starring on Broadway in *As Thousands Cheer*, has been yanked from her radio spot following numerous protests from southern stations. Will Rogers got himself into a jam by using the term "nigger" over the air, and the writer of this column is in receipt of a letter of protest from a colored reader taking the magazine to task for using the word "pickaninny" in a story we ran an issue or two back on Ethel Waters.

Bigger And Better Summers

RADIO stations have become so accustomed to the idea that their audiences dwindle in the summer time that figures recently produced by a survey are rather astonishing. They indicate that the summer radio audience is but one and one-half per cent smaller than at the peak of the winter season, a fact attributable to the widespread use of automobile radios and the popularity of portable sets which can be carried to the beach or the summer resort. This being the case, studios are making special efforts to make their summer programs attractive and it is [Continued on page 72]



You're too good, Jack Benny!
Jack lost his radio spot after
winning a popularity poll

Hollywood STARS Pick Their

By ISOBELLE GLASS

WHEN you think up the names of the stars and settle back in your favorite radio program, an instant what it is—the name-brand of Ed Wynne, the French Fire Chief, the name pattern of Betty Ruben, or the latest strains of Ruthless's magic violin—you can be sure that in the land of stumps and stars, at least one of your favorites is also listening. It is and enjoying your selections. Yes, the radio celebrities have their radio favorites, even so you and I. There are not many personalities that they would rather neglect.



Joan Harlow is an enthusiastic listener for the music of Gus Arnheim and his orchestra

some programs which they will drop everything to listen to far more than to make.

Quite surprising too, the selection of the film star's radio favorites. Probably you'd be surprised to know that Marie Dressler, Queen Marie to you, would rather listen to Ed Wynne than to do a love scene with Wallace Beery. To Marie, an instant what you think, the wise-cracking Fire Chief is strictly a jester and trying to get Marie away from her radio while Ed Wynne is broadcasting, is the getting a little

very late in the night. "Oh, dear, he's a screamer," laughs Marie. "He'll tell you the same thing he gives me, it's my appreciation to his showmanship. I've always admired that in any performer, in stage, screen or radio, all his life and the secret way in which Ed Wynne draws his audience right up to the transmitter, it's the best kind of showmanship. Take all your phalaris program and your success but give me Ed Wynne!"

Charles Gable, who is one of the most ardent radio fans in the film colony, likes most anything which comes in on his set but he admits a partiality for the Blue Monday Jamboree with Claude Sorensen's orchestra.

This isn't a national broadcast, reaching only the Coast at KFI, but it's Gable's favorite. He also likes to listen to the music of the Blue Monday Jamboree. He also likes to listen to the music of the Blue Monday Jamboree. He also likes to listen to the music of the Blue Monday Jamboree.

"His music thrills me as nothing else that comes in over my radio does," Gable admits, "and I've always been a Carrot fan, on the stage, on the screen and on the air."

Joan Crawford has her own radio passion and its name is Bing Crosby. She says Joan Crawford and plenty of her and she's willing to let



Loretta Young



Claude Gallet is a devoted slave to Ruthless's violin, and she also made a favorable vote for Eddie Cantor



Marie Shaulen says Ed Wynne is a scream. She admits he shows warmth—and who could be a better judge of that than Marie?



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RADIO LAND

RADIO FAVORITES

Now when you Tune in on your Favorite Radio Program you will Know Just Which Movie Stars are Listening in with you!



Joan Crawford has her own radio passion and its name is Bing Crosby. She plays her records in her studio apartment room



You might have guessed it—Max West was there on radio when the Cal Calloway's primitive rhythm!



the rest of the world go by: "That voice of Bing's, simply does things to me. I can't just close my eyes and drift into sweet oblivion when he sings. I don't even depend upon my radio to hear him but I buy every single record he makes. Between records on the radio, I have my mind clear to me. I listen to many other programs, of course, but there isn't one I won't turn out if I know that Bing is on the air."

Having an excellent musical background, Gable is a devotee of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra which is broadcast from CBS on Sunday afternoons.

"I'm sure I love the old masters," says Gable, "and they have such marvelous selections of their music. I always try to arrange my Sundays to listen to. As for comedy, I think Jack Benny and Ed Wynne are good but I prefer to spend my time listening to the radio listening to good music."

GIVE Joan Harlow, Gus Arnheim and his boys and let the chips fall where they may. Vinyl records, poppy Joan wants music with a kick that sets

the police shouting, and Gus Arnheim gives it to her. "San Arnheim on the radio is all that I ask," says Joan, "and I don't need anything else."

And Max West. Who do you suppose most attracts the attractive Max? It's Cal Calloway, the hi-de-ho colored band with his Cotton Club orchestra over NBC. "She simply loves to hear Max and the Mascher kook that's going around."

"I guess I'm sort of the musical royalty," says a well-known Max, "and Cal Calloway's primitive music gets me."

His smile has a way in it with a racial S and a sex, you know, very special. "I don't know who I like best but I don't want to hear an hour with Ted Foose's orchestra. Jane Adams that she does not have much time for radio but when she does, it's Ted who gets the turn of the dial."

Big, big man, snail-and-ready George Bancroft roars out in his usual voice at the apex of the gang on the Blue Monday Jamboree, which, you will recall, is also the favorite of Clark Gable. The becomes soon to go for that sort of thing.

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Clark Gable takes to regularly on the Blue Monday Jamboree, a favorite of his

from HEAVEN”

with all the unpopulated eering of the black oval's end and on the boom—that rhythm, which all the continents of the world are communicating, sets the heart and body dancing, galloping! Under Michael's eloquent leadership your and your marching along

It all sounds like a cruel pun. But it is nothing less than an old-fashioned colored velvet—translucent. For this man, Michaels is almost of the times and towards the present day is every bit soed be sure. His sayings are tested. He is the new straight from Heaven. He interprets the Bible in terms of the Good news, talked news.

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I pulled my way through a small catbede against the throng, using one of the afternoon Psalm Services. It was just seven-thirty!

Elder Michals was to his way out and I caught him just in time. I have seen him transpire, once, but he never faced you looking like "Chaziz of God." Shook a huge orange sign across the top. Over the door flashed a lighted warning: "Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning!"



I can find Elmer Michaux's church? I looked at the last strand.

through sailing out of the afternoon Praise Service. By way of just seven thirty Elder Michale was on his way out and I caught him just in time. I have sent him many times since, but he is never

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The steps in not too "Happy Am I," accompanied them very. Elder McKim, son-in-law of John C. D., at the university.

RUTH ETTING'S OLD HOME TOWN



Top, the David City, Neb., little red schoolhouse of Ettings memories—not so little, but red as brick; center, the Congregational Church; bottom, the county courthouse where Ruth's uncle has his offices



Don't editors do funny tricks with Time, though? Below, Ruth Etting, at the age of three, points a chubby finger at her bicycle-riding self, several years later

Back Home— *But Not Broke*

A trip back to the old home town, David City, Nebraska, taught Ruth Etting a lot of new things about radio

By LESTER GOTTLIEB

HAVE you ever been homesick? Come now, own up. Of course you have! How many times have you secretly pined for the little town you were born in? Haven't you missed its shady lanes and vine-covered houses, so quiet and peaceful? Don't you often wonder what ever happened to the boy you had such a terrific crush on when you were in the sixth grade?

Well, some of our famous radio stars often feel the same way. Remove the heavy mask that they wear when broadcasting, and you usually find a very simple, human being. They know too well that they are on the top of the heap for one good reason. They got the well-known "breaks." Down deep inside of them they never forget that they are really naive kids from the sticks, and are quite proud of that fact. But alas and alack, there are other stars that are different. Once they scale the heights of fame, they affect foreign accents, and parade around in Hispano Suizas, with their pet poodles.

Fortunately, Ruth Etting, sweetheart of the ether waves, Ziegfeld beauty, motion picture star and present singer on the Oldsmobile hour, has remained quite natural. Believe it or

not, this girl with the sob in her voice, who sings as though her worldliness was a thousand years old, comes from way out west in Nebraska. Recently, she, too, became stricken with an old American malady, homesickness.

This dangerous ailment first showed signs of becoming serious when Ruth was on the coast making pictures. California with its languid breezes and tropical palm trees may be the appropriate Christmas background for its native sons, but to this girl, the Yuletide season had always meant heavy snowstorms, zero weather, and a running nose. Somehow it all seemed topsy-turvy out there in movieland.

Ruth pondered on this situation one day as she was making up in her dressing room on the lot. She was lonely. Back home, it must be 10 below by now. Christmas trees, dazzling in all their glory, would be majestically standing on the front lawns of every home. The air itself would be permeated with the aroma of roast turkey and chestnut stuffing.

"You're wanted on the set, Miss Etting!" It was the assistant director's bark that snapped Ruth out of her delightful reverie. If a doctor had been [Continued on page 66]

June's Topical Topics

By
RUDY VALLEE

There are few shrewder judges of popular music than Rudy Vallee, and in this monthly feature he analyzes current hits and makes a few interesting predictions

INFLUENCED, no doubt, by the success of *Lazy-bones* and *The Last Round-Up*, Al Dubin and Harry Warren, the writers assigned to write the song for *Wonder Bar*—which, oddly enough, the company insists is not strictly a Jolson picture—unquestionably had Mr. Jolson in mind when writing *Goin' to Heaven on a Mule*. Yet, somehow, I do not feel that this is a typical Jolson number, or one which will enhance his part in the picture. When Al sang it at the Press Photographer's Ball recently, it was not one-sixth as well received as his old favorite, *Mammy*, or *Sonny Boy*. Of course part of the reason for the particularly deafening ovation accorded those two songs is that they are *known*, and that the audience was able to hum along with him. Still, I have seen an audience stampede on hearing a song for the first time, so I still wonder. . . . I am curious to see just how and what Jolson does with it in the picture.

I honestly feel that this song is more adapted to Everett Marshall, and that he would have been much more fortunate to have had this song than *Wagon Wheels* in his present *Follies*. *Wagon Wheels* does not call for the virility that *Goin' to Heaven on a Mule* does. I suppose there are many who wonder why I should attempt *Goin' to Heaven on a Mule*. Peculiarly enough there are certain songs which evoke from my esophagus more virility than I ever dreamt I was capable of producing, and this is one of them. That it is going to be one of the best things I have ever had in my repertoire has already been clearly demonstrated. It was given me to do it for the first time on any broadcast, on a recent Fleishman Hour. Personally there have been few songs that have thrilled me so in the singing. While the idea struck me as rather crazy at first, it grew on me and I believe this same growing effect will be the experience of all who hear the song.

Harold Spina and Johnny Burke are typical of Tin Pan Alley; they write, sing and demonstrate their songs in the typical, approved Broadway manner. Yet their new song, *Oh, the Pity of It All*, is as "un-Broadway" as anything could be. It has the flavor of a very smart Wiman-Weatherly revue, and the quality of the smart East Side; it is the type of song one associates with Beatrice Lillie, or Frances Maddux, as she sits before her little piano in a smart, smoke-filled supper club. Perhaps its only "shanty-town" touch is contained in the



—Wide World
Rudy is now
a D. D. M.—
here he is re-
ceiving his
degree from
Arthur Mur-
ray, dance in-
structor. The
initials stand
for "Doctor
of Dance
Music"

last eight measures, where they refer to "the smiling smithy"—the smithy, of course, being as "un-Park Avenue-ish" as anything could be. It is a cute melody, with the melody in the middle hauntingly reminiscent of parts of that English ballad, *I Never Dreamt*. I am hoping for the sake of the two boys who wrote it that the song is well received by not only orchestra leaders, their vocalists, and their dancing public, but by the great radio public itself.

TO MENTION *Smoke Gets in Your Eyes* without mentioning Max Gordon's *Roberta*, would be to fail to give the most charming operetta yours truly has ever witnessed its proper due. Every song in the show is delightfully done. Outstanding is the one which the mass public considered rather moronic in its musical taste, has taken to its heart—*Smoke Gets in Your Eyes*. Jerome Kern's music is such that one must hear it several times; rarely does it bowl one over the first time. Perhaps his exception to that was his writing of *Who*, from *Sunny*, but most of his tunes have endured because they were not light and tawdry. [Continued on page 60]

KNIGHT LIFE THROUGH THE DAY



8:00 A.M.—A daily dozen—at least



9:00 A.M.—Work begins in the study



LUNCHEON—But the work must go on



4:00 P.M.—A game of pool, all wet



5:00 P.M.—"Billy Batchelor" at rehearsal



7:45 P.M.—On the air, with the Mrs. checking up



Ray Knight does the Cuckoo Hour and Billy Batchelor

They

Dubbed *Him* Knight



An after-opera party for the personnel of the new Cuckoo cast: James Stanley, Wilfred Pelletier, Raymond Knight and Robert Armbruster

—but Raymond Knight is no dub, judging from this impressive list of activities and accomplishments

By **WARD BYRON**

THE above snapshots give a glimpse into a day in the life of Knight—i. e., Raymond Knight, one of radio's most dependable entertainers, and probably the most versatile in the business. If this statement sounds rash, consider Knight's accomplishments.

He is heard five times a week on the *Billy Batchelor* program which he writes. He plays the leading rôle, and "doubles" several other characters. This program alone keeps him busy turning out an average of a script a day! He contributes stories and articles to magazines and newspapers. He has recently been asked to write a motion picture scenario, and he is working on a burlesque autobiography. There are also personal appearance dates to be filled.

To this imposing list will soon be [Continued on page 71]

RADIOLAND NEWS



Amazing Upsets in Radio Popularity Poll

Some surprising reversals of form were exhibited by radio stars in the national poll of radio editors recently conducted by the New York *World-Telegram*. Ed Wynn must have spent some uncomfortable moments when he learned he wasn't even listed among the 20 best-favored programs of the poll participants. Eddie Cantor had to be content with sixth place, with one-fourth the votes received by Rudy Vallée's Variety Show, which won first honors, followed by Jack Benny, Waring's Pennsylvanians, March of Time, and N. Y. Philharmonic Orchestra.

The most amazing upset was scored by Jack Benny, a comparative newcomer to the air, who, in the strictly comedian division, placed first, trailed by Eddie Cantor and Joe Penner, whose rise has been meteoric. Wynn and Fred Allen tied for fourth honors.

Columbia Broadcasting stars captured the lion's share of first places in the various divisions but NBC showed up strong in the field of air comedians.

Field Day for Pets

Pet fanciers who are also radio fans will be interested in the above portraits of two dogs whose owners are doing pretty well in the radio business. Rudy



—Wide World

Rudy Vallée, Joe Penner, and pets

Vallée's dog is named "Windy," while Joe Penner calls his "Musse." They were snapped at a cocktail party which radio stars attended with their pets. It is reported that Penner's duck is considerably incensed over his defection.

President Urges Radio Bill

At the insistence of President Roosevelt, a bill creating a Federal Commission on Communications is expected to be pushed through the present session of Congress, abolishing the present Federal Radio Commission. The board will probably be composed of seven members—two for broadcasting, two for telephone and telegraph, two for radio communications, and one member at large. All American stations at present operate under the authority of the Federal Radio Commission on wave lengths allotted to them.

Mexico Clamps Down on Brinkley Station

March *RADIOLAND* carried a pertinent article on the fight being waged by Dr. John R. ("Goat Gland") Brinkley against the Mexican authorities to keep his radio station, XER, broadcasting medical and other programs from across the Rio Grande by remote control.

Latest developments prove the article to have been absolutely accurate in its predictions of trouble for Dr. Brinkley. XER had advertised medical services and supplies without a Mexican license, has broadcast solely in English, has overrun its allotted time on the air—all contrary to Mexican regulations.

A few days ago, when a Mexican radio inspector appeared at Villa Acuna, where XER is located, to enforce a governmental closing order, he fled the town when villagers threatened to lynch him. But the inspector had the last laugh when he returned with troops, silenced station XER, and announced that the station would be dismantled by Dr. Brinkley within a month or the authorities would do the job for him at his expense.

Dr. Brinkley has carried his case to the Mexican courts, but the possibility that they will uphold him against the government is remote. XER, as far as Mexico is concerned, seems permanently silenced.

Maestro Rubinoff's Alleged Income

A civil suit by Ruth Blanche Rubinoff, divorced wife of the maestro Dave Rubinoff, reveals her claim that in 1927 and 1928 he earned \$40,000, cleared \$390,000 in the next three years, and played his violin \$260,000 worth during 1933. The former Mrs. Rubinoff asserts that they were married in 1924 and divorced in Minnesota in 1927.

Newspapers Compel Radio to Cut Down on News Broadcasts

One of the most rigid censorship agreements in history has been put into effect to call a truce to the guerrilla warfare between radio stations and newspapers in the matter of news broadcasts. The new czar who will enforce the drastic provisions of the agreement, which practically eliminates radio from the field of spot news, is James W. Barrett, fighting city editor of the old New York *World*.

There are real teeth in the agreement under which stations are now operating. Only two five-minute news broadcasts can be made each day, and these must be presented after 9:30 a. m. and 9 p. m., this to make sure that morning and evening newspapers are first in the field. No news item can be longer than thirty words, except in the case of particularly important items which may be broadcast as a matter of public service.



—Price Studios

James W. Barrett, radio news czar

providing they are written in such a manner as to stimulate the reading of a newspaper!

Finally, stations will not be permitted to sell their news broadcasts to sponsors, and they must force their own commentators to eliminate all references to "hot" news and to concentrate on "general" (i. e., comparatively stale) items. Commentators such as Boake Carter will be handicapped, with what effect on their popularity remains to be seen.

Radio will thus be seen to have gotten somewhat the worst of the bargain, but reasons for capitulation are understandable enough. The principal weapon of the newspapers, aside from possible suits rested in the threat to refuse to print the daily schedules of local station programs unless paid for as advertising.



DIC-NAGLE for

By RALPH DAIGH

THE Colored and Budd are at the Essex House doing a rehearsal for their first Colored breakfast program. It is to be the largest, most colorful look-up in the history of radio, eighty-five minutes.

This important rehearsal was supposed to be secret. The secret was so well kept that only two hundred people took through elaborate passageways, climbed and descended narrow stairways, finally to enter the beautiful Colonnades behind the kitchen entrance. All other doors were locked and guarded.

That is pulling power. And the "power" is that men at radio favorite, Colored Stoopnagle and Budd.

Budd was the easiest to find in that crowd in the Colonnades, but not easy to get to. He was a good-looking, smiling body completely surrounded by handshakes.

"Are the Colored and I happy?" cried Budd between, during, and before handshakes.

"Everything is just as we have wanted it. Haven't we, Glen Gray's Casa Loma Orchestra, Connie Russell doing her first solo work, Harry Von Zell, an announcer from The March of Time? We have Colored entertainers as sponsors, and a whole ball hour to here but in to say nothing of that old master of the angley gas pipe organ, Leonard Q. Stoopnagle."

Sure enough, the 44-year-old Colored, in great recovery, snappy behind ear of hair and a rakish, smiling, big—much as he kept in place for the entire four hours of rehearsal—came smiling through the crowd.

"Ready for Colored Stoopnagle and Budd—expecting Colored Leonard Q. Stoopnagle."

Here was the man I had to see.



Colored Stoopnagle, Glen Gray, and Budd, announcing, Colored Leonard Q. Stoopnagle after the first of the new Colored breakfast party.

"Go to Colored Stoopnagle and get his definition of 'what is funny,'" the editor had blazed at me. "Come back without it and I will show you what is not funny."

But the rehearsal was already late and it had to be tried for time. Perhaps it would run short. Perhaps much would have to be eliminated.

The program director argued for silence and the rehearsal was on. There was to be a short, sure to get to the Colored for his definition of "what is funny."

Connie Russell followed Harry Von Zell. His clipped, correct, diction giving, definite, precise that this would be a program of program.

Connie then, her beautiful, already voice into making this a blundering. And a Roosevelt number it was, but not until it had been gone over for five times by the orchestra while Connie lent time with her hand, whistled the tune softly, asked for faster time here, a drag there, some low-down rhythm at the end. Glen Gray responded to her suggestions with some of his own, and the music of the Casa Loma band was smooth as golden, warm, better, as insouciant as love in the moonlight.

It was then for the Colored and Budd. The page boy found them over behind the mahogany gas pipe organ, sadly practicing a dog act—although of what use it doing could be put in on the radio is a matter for you to decide.

The business organ wheezed and wheezed again. The page was in. Twice the control sent him to signal for silence. The laughter of the animated and unexpected audience at the jokes of the Colored and Budd was too strong for the vast microphones. It might be explained here that audience at

RADCLIFF



JAMES MONTGOMERY

What's Funny?

1. Budd is a comedian.
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19. Budd is a comedian.
20. Budd is a comedian.

STOOP-TATOR!

(Stoopnagle for Dictator)

The regular program broadcast are not permitted to laugh or applaud for this reason.

"You minutes has short" was the verdict of the men with stage-souls.

That will please our listeners, both old and new," smiled Budd. The Colored proceeded to write ten funny situations into the script with a pencil job as fast as he could scribble. The program was then read and read and read to the second.

I finally managed to grasp the Colored by one arm as he was slipping out the door.

"You promised over the 'phone that you would give me a definition of 'what is funny,'" I reminded him. "Also, you said you would answer some questions."

"What questions?" He appeared startled at the idea. "Oh, yes, so I did."

Then he plucked the pencil from my fingers.

"When were you born? Do you see approach for breakfast? Are you superstitious?" His questions came like machine-gun fire.

"No, no, Colored," interrupted Budd indignantly. "You were going to answer the questions; not ask them!"

"Well, I'm glad that's over. Good-bye!"

And he was gone.

"Seven minutes," smiled Budd. "He will be at his apartment in fifteen minutes working on a script. Go and ring his bell twice. He'll be in and you can have him alone for a while."

That is the kind of a fellow William Budd Haddock is!

The address was easy to find. The Colored's real name, B. C. Taylor, was over the bell.

I PUSHED twice, was admitted and went to the third door, dressing gown over shirt and trousers, his hair mussed. I could see a portable typewriter on a small desk and paper scattered everywhere.

"Colored Stoopnagle," I said politely. "I have been sent here to get your definition of 'what is funny.'"

"Colored Leonard Q. Budd-nagle is the name," he corrected me. "Budd isn't here right now." (Continued on page 62)



Budd

YEA BOY!

SURE FUN!



WITTER BUDD



HEAT ME

WITTER SCRAP

COLOSSAL AMAZING! STOOPTATOR!

Cal Leonard Q. Stoopnagle

MY TOPHET!

WAT'S AT?

NEWTON

VEZEV

MY TOPHET!

WAT'S AT?

NEWTON

VEZEV

MY TOPHET!

WAT'S AT?

You've Got to Believe HIM



By ETHEL CAREY

Bob Ripley—He traveled 10,000 miles to keep a blind date made over the radio—believe it or not!



He Wears Corsets!



He Eats Scorpions!



Thousands Doubted This One!

BELIEVE it or not, a ball game decided the destiny of Bob (Believe-it-or-not) Ripley. Since his boyhood in California, Bob had always been interested in baseball. He had played on the local team, dreaming of making a major league. Finally he came to New York and tried out with the Giants. McGraw was enthusiastic, predicted great things for the young recruit. All Bob's time was spent practicing and watching the others. All his dreams were coming true. Came one black day. While at bat, he was struck by a pitched ball. *Crash*, went all his dreams. His arm was broken, his ball career ended.

Ripley felt disheartened; life hardly seemed worth living. Little did he know that that "lucky break" was destined to make a millionaire of him. It was in the cards that his salary would one day exceed that of any baseball player who ever lived.

The arm was slow in healing. Bob got sick of hanging around brooding about his tough luck. He took some sketches of his favorite athletes over to the old New York *Globe* and got himself a job doing cartoons for sports pages. This was his job for several years.

One night, he simply ran out of ideas. He sharpened his pencils . . . racked his brain. Nary an idea. Absentmindedly, he began to draw a picture of an odd sporting event he had witnessed that week, a man who jumped backwards fifteen feet. Then he drew another of somebody who had stayed under water for three minutes. At last, an inspira-

tion! He put together a few more athletic feats and made them up into a cartoon, never suspecting that it meant more than killing that night's assignment. He labeled it *Chumps & Champs* and handed it in. The name didn't click with the editor, so Bob changed it to *Believe It or Not*. That name has stuck to his work ever since.

HIS *Believe-it-or-nots* caught on; the public clamored for more. He started to do one cartoon weekly, then two a week; then it became a daily feature. That was the start of his career as commentator extraordinary of the whole cockeyed world, creator of the famous series of pictures illustrating odd, fantastic and often well nigh incredible facts.

When you hear his little stories or dramas over the air, they sound simple enough. There is often quite a history behind them, however. Believe it or not, Ripley often spends months tracking down a single incident. To assist him, he employs a staff of eighteen research men, artists, secretaries. One of his assistants speaks thirteen languages. All their combined effort is used to unearth strange facts—"queeriosities," Bob calls them. In his search for new material, he travels to the far corners of the earth; last year he covered more than 75,000 miles. To date, he has visited 167 countries. There are forty left, but he expects to cover them soon.

Robert LeRoy Ripley was born Christmas Day, 1893, at Santa Rosa, California. He [Continued on page 67]



"LINDBERGH . . . Was the 67th Man to Make A Non-Stop Flight Over the Atlantic Ocean"

They Said This Proved Ripley a Liarl

RADIOLAND



George Gershwin is the famous modern composer, graduate of Tin Pan Alley, who is heard on the new Feenamint program, "Music by Gershwin." Painting is his hobby, the portrait on the wall being a specimen of his work

Helen, Jane, and Patti Pickens are three gals from Georgia who have made such a hit on the air as a harmonizing sister team that they turned down a contract for a series of movies, after completing one on the coast, to return to the networks. Jane does the program arranging, Helen designs clothes as a hobby, and Patti collects—of all things—goldfish!

—Ray Lee Jackson





MARY MCCORD is the distinctive blonde soprano heard on Fred Allen's "Keweenaw" — she is a protégée of the famous Mrs. Schumann-Heink.



LANNY RITTEN of Showman Hear Lane passed long enough during the filming of his new Paramount picture to pose for this RITENICKER portrait.



PHIL PORTERFIELD, baritone voice, is featured on the Grand Old Opry from New York.



JOAN OLSEN is a lovely studio discovery whose value increases from Columbia's Chicago studio.



JUST PLAIN BILL, whose real name is Arthur Hughes, is heard week-day evenings on CBS.



—Try for the best —
MARTHA MEARS is the young star who just graduated from St. Louis station to the NBC network.



JACK WHITING is featured in his first radio program, the Meridian Melodist, under Rose Hove.



VIRGINIA CLARK plays the lead in that popular "radio drama," "The Romance of Helen Trent."

RADIO Love Song

*A glamorous story of life on the
ether waves, where Fame comes
overnight—and goes just as
quickly*

By

NINA WILCOX PUTNAM

ALLEN and Russ, suddenly song team, offered an audition as a gag, not Sally Blower at Station WOX. Though on the air she got power, "Aunt Hattie," domestic expert, they became friends. Quiet Dolph, who won their songs, advised Sally; but so did hard-boiled Chick Allen. As a result they had really been on the air, Allen and Russ learned a modest contract. Chick boasted of the great cause about of him, but Sally, knowing the danger of radio fame, made him promise not to let it spoil him. Already (and write back for getting Dolph. Now go on with the story.)

STUDIO D at Station WOX was hushed in a drowsy silence one afternoon two weeks after the signing of the informal contract with Joe Raymond—a silence broken only by the rattle of paper as Dolph turned the leaves of Mr. Greenberg's latest steno-scanique and Chick added the bundle of letters which Dolph had handed him on his way in. Frowning long a complete study in Chick, he insisted on reading them all, and so far his rights had been well gratified. The Door Of My Heart was doing. The phenomenon of eleven hundred letters in ten days and Chick's head spinning, although supposedly he had managed to radio him the nonchalant he considered appropriate.

"Listen to this one!" he exclaimed over the top of a pale pink cupid. "Here's a dense says, 'What is that curious break in your voice which makes something inside my heart go paf?'"

Sally Stage, are you tolerant?"

"Sure, I'm tolerant, Chick." Dolph replied, looking himself away from his catalogue. "What was that you said?"

"I was saying it's a crime the way these devils bother me," Chick murmured complacently. "As I get it, love letters."

"That's none of my get," Dolph admitted humbly. "Schmale's written to me yet, except that guy I used the rent on our old piano to."

"Well, you can't expect the women to recognize the piano

so much." Chick's air was faintly patronizing. "But I up-
preciate your stuff, partner!"

"That's swell of you, Chick!" Dolph's sincerity was unques-
tionable. "But we do not think Raymond will ever get to a
spouse?" By backward's down to sixty-eight cents!"

A sudden clink waked out the delicate expression on Allen's
face at this news. "What do you do with your money?" he
demanded. "Here I was counting on you for at least three
backs! I promised to take Sally to lunch."

"I'm sorry, partner," Dolph apologized. "Our rent-ment was
that and . . . say, couldn't we lunch Raymond? We can't
hold a vote from him, does no sign."

"He ain't—honest—got it?" Chick growled. "He put his
last nickel into us, on a gamble. You don't think Gregory is
again?" on his sustaining progress, do you? We promised
to gamble with Raymond—and as far as we've drawn is a lot
of cancelled stamps."

"I found a nice Celine slung on one of your letters yes-
terday," Dolph brightened momentarily.

"I can't get for Sally's hands with stamps," said Chick.

"I suppose Sally gets a check of her letters, too?" Dolph's
query held a note of exaltation.

"Sure!" Chick replied acidly. "She gets letters from
cousins and transients, and widowers with seven kids who'd

RADIOLAND

Illustrated
by
Harley
Emie
Sellers



Dancing couples laugh for
the novel position where
they could look up and
watch every movement of
his lips, every flick of his
eyelashes. Chick was
riding the wave of over-
night fame well!

like her to marry 'em and keep house
for 'em!"

"I don't want 'em!" said Dolph
triumphantly.

"What'll I do about lunch?"

"I'll have my minute!" Chick exclaimed nervously.

"Where do you get that 'no'?" Chick snapped.

"I WAS not Sally when Raymond, but Gregory,
largely expensive, tiger breathy, daring patronage. He
lambled in and took the most comfortable chair."

"Well, boys," he inquired amiably, "how's Raymond going?"

"I hope the new number will do as credit!"

"Where do you get that 'no'?" Chick snapped.

"Well, I discovered your letters didn't E!" he demanded.

"And this is my nature, isn't it?"

"Seeing you think so much of me," Chick suggested.

"How about joining me?" The next is up twenty-five again
today. Raymond's looks and you know it. Are you going to
pay us or do you want us to deal with Collins over in Jersey?"

MAY, 1934

"That's just what I came in to talk to your fellows about,"
Gregory sneered. "You boys have got a lot to learn, but the
women seem to go for those study numbers. I might be
able to develop you, and I'm willing to pay up—well, seventy-
five a week for the men in a year's contract. You better
grab it."

There was a moment's silence while the partners exchanged
an eloquent glance. Dolph nodded vigorously, a gesture which
Gregory was quick to note in the mirror; but Chick ignored
the whole and sat back in thought as the door behind him
opened slowly to admit Joe Raymond, who stood just inside
flourishing. Chick got to his feet, thrust his hands deep into
his pockets and faced the station manager.

"No, Mr. Gregory," he said firmly. "We wouldn't consider
seventy-five. After all, you made a couple romkeys out of
the first time we came up, and I . . . [Continued on page 50]"

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John MacArthur, Cliff Smith, and Don Ameche make ready for the radio during a "First Night" broadcast.

Al Johnson, at right, based on the Kraft program, took a night shift.

By
ARTHUR J.
KELLAR

Mike

TED HUSTON, taverna sports announcer, and Mark Hallinger, newspaper columnist, are great publishers of the radio. But Hallinger is usually afraid of the mike and would rather turn out twenty columns than be in the limelight on the radio.

No, Huston, during castles in the air. Hallinger is a try it. He avoided that Mark got up a sample broadcast and Hallinger agreed to step his ingenuity. He was up to Hallinger's quarters to hear the script.

"I've decided to do an act in the form of an interview," explained the columnist. "So I won't lose my nerve. You know, I have you can carry on for both of us and nobody will be the wiser."

"Here's how the script goes," went on Huston. "You ask me, 'Do you think Mike West will continue to grip the public's fancy?' And I say, 'I think so. So, how do you like it, Ted?'"

"March, March, march!" Huston repeated the answer. "But even mind, on."

"Then you ask, 'What type of name do you say?' And I answer, 'I don't. My brother handles that.' Wherever you, Huston, how long have you been going to a barber?" And I reply, "Ever since I was a little shaver."

"Good, good," exclaimed Huston.

"You're getting worse and worse, Mark. What's the idea of such ancient jokes?" "Without them, how can I be a comedian on the radio?" asked the columnist. "Then, in such seriousness, he went on to the idea, 'I could never succeed as a broadcaster.'"

"Why not?" happily demanded his job. "I'm really a young fellow," said Hallinger, "and I can't remember to be enough back to be funny on the air."

HOWEVER, Hallinger isn't the only one who has a hard time with the microphone. The radio has a long history of writers who have tried to make a career out of it. But many have failed, and some have succeeded in a way that is quite different from what they intended.

One of the most famous examples is the case of the man who was once a writer for a major newspaper. He was so good at his job that he was offered a promotion. But when he took the job, he found that he didn't like it. So he quit and went back to writing for the radio.

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Intimate News of Radio Personalities Gathered from Behind

the Scenes at the Studios by RADIOLAND'S News Sleuth



At left, Ted Hallinger, making a bit of a mess of his popular program. At right, Ted Hallinger, the money manager of the old program.



Says

ecologically, "You see, my wife's dead and sitting on the air every hour!"

SHERLEY HOWARD, the sleeping co-ed, is always doing up interesting items. She advises this de-termined that most musicians in New York should buy their shoes at the same place. It seems the money and the money, keeping them by tapping with their right foot as they play, and out the side of their shoes. Some dealer who specializes in rubber shoes, dealer who the right shoes gets pretty near all their business.

David Freeman, Eddie Cantor's literary associate and author of his own of many comic songs and vaudeville sketches, found in England when he went to collect. This same Freeman, by the way, delivers radio some steady. "It's a feeling that you are the constant source of admiration from people who don't even know you're alive."

MISCELLANY: Eighteen thousand miles of high-power wires are required for a transatlantic cable. The cable is being laid by the British cable ship, the *Cable Ship*. The cable is being laid by the British cable ship, the *Cable Ship*. The cable is being laid by the British cable ship, the *Cable Ship*.

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ic," commented Maestro B. A. Rolfe. "Four out of five singers in radio get their early training with church choirs. Fred Waring's broadcasts are being prepared by pastists—each one is recorded as played on the air. . . . Ted Flavin has appeared in the movies with Mary Carlisle and Dick Powell. . . . In the streets years of their partnership, Bill Jones and Bessie Hulse have made more than 4,500 photograph records. . . . James Melton is the soloist of the Merpoint Barbers' Quartet, the actor."

HOW COME? is the burden of partisans. "That Dennis Taylor, opera composer and comic critic, is regular on the radio. . . . Many of the inquisitive ones, while not denying that the existence of *Enter Robinson* and *The King's Horseman*, Minneapolis opera seasons, it is a wonderful company with Maury, Whitman and Johnson and admitting that he has an excellent job at what he has to do, he is not content with his position at trying to reconcile the idea of a man of many gifts in a position of constant confusion."

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haring to which is the Manning Street's solution for a solid hour as "Dennis Taylor," said author, and you being made in public with millions of listeners placing as many different interpretations upon the significance of the term.

It develops from this department's research that Mr. Taylor's fellow studio critic, Robert Burns, currently identified with the *New Yorker*, weekly magazine, is responsible for the composer's coming on the scene. The program is a success. It seems that the success is to be attributed to the success of the program.

And Mr. Burns, so party to the conspiracy, but considered as a sort of a sponsor, suggested Dennis Taylor as the man who could do that better than anybody he knew.

Mr. Taylor, invited to display his talents at an audience, obliged and pointed out that he would be entertaining without stirring his own humor or the intelligence of his audience. He was engaged in the act—and has been on the spot ever since.

SOMEbody told Eddie Cantor once that he was a philosopher when he became a comedian. He said, "I don't know what a philosopher is, but I know what a comedian is. A comedian is a man who is a philosopher."

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under Pseudomys. Told me in
spoon, head over the Caribean
Carved on bamboo sticks.

Glenn, let's take into a kitchen apartment which seems on the verge of the disbanding stage.

Then, the millions, Perry, Kerr, Zehn, and Elliot, Perry declares he's one of the healthiest.

Proving that Arturo Toscanini, famous conductor, is a good friend of Fritz Lehman, German organist.

Forrest, Scruggins and Jessica Foster take a fling at sharing in a Menorah-Lantern broadcast

Edison **Peckedy** with his characteristic harp guitar, **Body** **Vallie** discovered him, but really

an advertising campaign. Which, it is also making a big splash in the market. The new book is a collection of the Navy's "for

The Amazing Rise
FATHER COUGHLIN

By EDWARD R. SAMMIS

FOOTNOTES: Preceding mentions of Father Coughlin's life story have described his rugged boyhood in Hazelton, Ontario, his schooling in Toronto under the Basilian Fathers, the early years as an assistant parish priest, his attempting to live through the machine politics and his series of lifts with powerful persons and forces, contributing to his sensational attack on Al Smith. We draw now to the culmination of Father Coughlin as a political figure of national importance.

BV THE winter of 1933-34 national events began to catch up on Father Coughlin. He had the satisfaction of seeing a number of men, similar to those with which he had been advocating for two years, officially join his effort.

The first of these was the abandonment of the gold standard which he had urged in his addresses over the air long before there seemed any possibility of such a move.

As a pioneer for influenza, he chafed for recognition of the danger when his was one of a few lone voices crying in the wilderness. He was an early advocate of the recombination of

Inflation is increasingly a conflict between the "have-gas" and the "haven't-gas." Owners of property, creditors, mortgage holders, bankers, etc., find it virtually impossible to meet even the interest on debt at depression prices, but merchants, weighed down by a burden of debt, boom times, loans, book in

only means of saving themselves from a hopeless situation.

All of these, hearing Father Coughlin's reassuring voice coming booming over the radio, turned to him as their champion, their spokesman, and the man pointing into the Slating of the Little Flower at Royal Oak, waiting in a million homes a week.

Thus the frocked priest, still wearing the duds, was lured (and into) becoming a lay figure in a national political and economic struggle, the first time that such a thing has happened in the history of the country.

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national-
credit," this
allment of
highlin's life
the radio
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[illegible]

Into the middle of his battle for inflation, this plan for "symmetrical" and "nationalization of credit," this final installment of Father Coughlin's life factory carries the radio priest, leaving him where he now stands—at the crossroads of a break with the Roosevelt administration he has so ardently supported.

to meet even the interest on their mortgages at depression prices, home owners, small landlords weighed down by a crushing burden of debt contracted in boom times, producers of all kinds, look to inflation as the

LATEST COUGHLIN TRENDS

Congressman, and a former figure in the corridors of the nation's capital. Appearing before a Congressional committee still investigating the Detroit book-burning situation, he repeated some of his sensational charges, driving away reflectively at one of his eldest and favorite sons.

At the same time he appeared before a committee on minority called in as an expert to present his ideas and theories of concepts.

His testimony there resulted in a striking demonstration of his popularity and power. Father Coughlin, speaking before the committee, was consistent in his praise and support of the President's monetary policy. The press of the country carried the story, for the fallacy of Father Coughlin's views soon have become big news.

Within a week following the mail coming to the White House was swollen by a quarter of a million letters! The brothers all said substantially the same thing—that since Father Coughlin had endorsed the President's monetary stand, then they were in favor of it too!

During these hectic days, Father Coughlin had time for

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few suffer in the state. While in Washington he went before a Senate judicial committee to consider a proposal to legalize the sale of the birth control information through the mails and aroused violent attacks from the right. He was almost certainly among the supporters of the bill by his remarks, one of which was to the effect that those who were not intelligent were still women, his intelligent friends were not. He was, though not so, back on marriage as a regulated prostitution.

He had never been a healthy, militant birth control leader, and had never been a womanhood

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Too short on information on the

W. A. J. VAN DER KAM

1999

Burns & Allen

take the Witness Stand



Gracie William Tell Allen plays Cupid with a bow and arrow, but George Burns figures he's safe as long as she's aiming at him

and try to give intelligent answers to the questions of RADIO-LAND readers

GRACIE: Oh George, he wants us to take that great big heavy stand! However will we get it home? And what will we do with it when we get there? Oh-h- I know! It would be just the thing for that rubber plant my aunt gave us!

GEORGE: Listen Gracie, listen! He doesn't want us to take the witness stand! Can't you see—it's fastened down!

GRACIE: Oh, so you can't take it!

All right. Here's one for you. Why doesn't Gracie sing oftener on the radio?

GRACIE: Well, it's this way. I have such a beautiful voice that whenever I sing on the air a lot of people offer me contracts. And when people offer me contracts I can't help signing them. And if I signed more than one contract at one time I would be in hot water and when I'm in hot water I always start washing dishes. And I hate washing dishes so—

GEORGE: You mean you've heard Gracie sing and still ask why she doesn't sing oftener over the radio?

How long have you been on the air?

GRACIE: Oh, I've been walking on air, ever since I met George.

No. No. How long have you been appearing on the radio?

GRACIE: Oh that's different. About five years. And it just seems like yesterday.

Who do you think is the greatest guy that ever lived?

GRACIE: Guy Lombardo.

How long do you rehearse before each broadcast?

GEORGE: Until Gracie gets what I'm trying to tell her through her head.

And how long does that take?

GEORGE: Oh about three years if everything goes all right.

Gracie, what is your favorite hobby?

GRACIE: George is my favorite hobby. In fact he's the only one I ever had.

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HEAR ye! Hear ye! Hear ye! George Burns and Gracie Allen—for some months now, readers of RADIOLAND have been curious to know how you got that way. In order that you may answer any and all questions that they should like to put to you, will you kindly appear before the bar?

GRACIE: No sir You don't catch me letting George appear before the bar! Whenever George gets in front of a bar, I never see him again till morning.

GEORGE: Gracie! Will you be quiet?
Take the witness stand, please.

Help Us Quiz Fred Allen

RADIOLAND,
52 Vanderbilt Avenue,
New York, N. Y.

Please ask Fred Allen to answer the following questions:

My Name

Address

(Mail coupon before April 20)

Is it true that Fred Allen is seven other people? Is his favorite pet a South African hartebeest? Does he prefer pomegranates to pickles? He will answer important questions like these through RADIOLAND if you ask him on the coupon.

The Charmer on the Cover

THERE used to be a song *I'm in Love with a Girl on a Magazine Cover*. It's due for a revival as soon as this issue, with Babs Ryan on the cover, bursts on an unsuspecting world. We shouldn't wonder if they'd start serenading the news-stands.

Babs, as you and you and you know, is the young smoothie who helps her brothers Ryan sing about an old smoothie, as a star attraction of the Ford program, featuring Fred Waring and the suave Pennsylvanians. Her real name is Blanche but you needn't bother to remember it—she never can.

Harmony and rhythm come just as natural to Babs as having golden hair and brown eyes. Her mother was a piano teacher, and Babs was practicing scales when she was three years old! She graduated to duets and learned about striking minors before she started school; when she was twelve, she had a dance orchestra and was booked solid locally.

She then decided to go into competition with her mother in the piano teaching business, and (we trust by fair means) secured a dozen pupils. All through school she was interested in music and dramatics. She also learned to play pretty tunes on the typewriter at the rate of a hundred words a minute, but she preferred the tone of a Steinway to that of an Underwood, which was certainly radio's gain.

She was fifteen years old when she first went on the air in Kansas City, terrified in spite of the fact that she was an old piano teacher. Her family didn't approve of a career for her, at least not just yet, and begged her to go to college. But Babs took herself

off to Chicago, where her brothers were playing on the vaudeville stage. At first they didn't know whether they were so crazy about the idea—you know how brothers are. Babs felt pretty small and not very smooth, but she soon learned showmanship and now the other Smoothies are plenty proud of their little sister. Incidentally, it's Babs who does those trick

arrangements that "Little" and Charlie and herself put over so well with Waring's Pennsylvanians, and which probably have a great deal to do with their very original and individual style of singing. She has also written a few tunes of her own, but doesn't feel like braving crowded Tin-Pan-Alley with them yet. With that new hair-cut, it seems probable that as a song writer Babs would go over with a bang. If we are annoying anyone, come up and sue us sometime.

For people who like to gather miscellaneous bits of information about their favorites, Babs isn't married, but don't crowd; she is never on time for appointments or rehearsals, but makes trains (and broadcasts) when she has to, which is all that's necessary, really; she would rather be Hannah Williams than anyone else, which seems quite futile; she believes in dreams, because a lot of things really happen just as she dreamed them; she adores prize fights, and goes to them whenever she has a chance; she has never had a diamond and is crazy about them. Well, that shouldn't be so difficult. If anyone wishes to send a diamond to Babs Ryan addressed in care of this magazine, we will put her name on the box, remove the diamond and leave town immediately.

*"She's an old smoothie"
Babs Ryan, singing
with Waring's Pennsylvanians on the Ford
Program.*



The first network broadcast of the Pennsylvanians. Can you identify the Waring brothers, Lane sisters, Babs Ryan and brothers, and David Ross in background?

A RADIO



William Lyon Phelps, Thomas Mott, and Glenn Tennyson. Thomas Mott is the one seen smiling when I wanted them to smile, or to look moved or disturbed or interested. I was going to stand in a haze of rain and talk to or at a little black box. Now I have the opposite of stage fright. When I talk to an audience, they find me. I usually don't know what I am going to say, when I go up on a platform. I never speak from notes, and I cannot remember that I have ever prepared a complete address. I am sure that if I had to make a speech to myself, alone, in my room, I wouldn't think of enough to say to fill up an hour, but when I am talking to a hall full of people, I have to rush ahead to keep from turning over my time and turning on their good-natures. Of course, I realize that the timing of a radio program is a matter of split seconds, and that it is impossible to be sure and diffuse and interlard. Nevertheless, I do find it a little frightening to address a non-continual instrument which doesn't respond to my best efforts and which records any slip I happen to make with devastating accuracy. But again it is a matter of being challenged.

THE other day I was fortunate enough to have the opportunity to talk to Mr. John Cardinal, of the Columbia Broadcasting System, on the theory of addressing a radio audience. He said, at I may quote him, "Your voice reaches there in the privacy of their homes with the subtleties of an uninvited guest, even though they have turned on the switch and asked you in. Now what you must do is to go out and reach them with you, take them by the hand and lead them, and make yourself a part of their lives for the few minutes when this vast audience gives you their attention. If you are lecturing in the actual presence of people, it isn't likely

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Let's answer the first question first. I have come to radio for three reasons. I lost my job, as it were. Up at Yale they have a rule that when you happen to be sixty-eight, you must retire. It is, after all, a good rule. Some men are older than sixty-eight, but others are not. As for the younger men, you have the advantage of getting when you are at the top of your form, instead of having the spikes cut out from under you. I like to think that that was my experience. As a matter of fact, the same thing happened to another Yale boy. A year ago my friend, Alvin A. Sarge, had to retire as football coach and athletic director at the University of Chicago, although I am sure he is younger in spirit, in body, and physical, than I am. I am sure he is younger in spirit, in body, and physical, than I am. I am sure he is younger in spirit, in body, and physical, than I am.

But on the other hand, there people were not going to be before me in front and back. I was not going to be able to

Freshman Speaks His MIND

By WILLIAM LYON PHELPS

Radio is a challenge to the famous Yale professor—and radio itself is challenged by his statement that what it needs is editors who can "get excited"



William Lyon Phelps in his study at his home in New Haven, Conn., seat of Yale University

Former pupil of Dr. Phelps who talking into a microphone was a radio technician, by Radio

that half your audience will rise and go out, saying, 'There's another lecture across the street. Let's try this instead.' But they can do that on the radio, without even moving, by simply turning a dial." And that, you see, is another challenge.

So, Corliss, wait on to realize that the way you speak, your manner of address, once the radio has to be just as carefully worked as for the lecture platform. There is a different technique, certainly, but the basic requirements are the same. Nevertheless, the radio is more exacting, in a way. If you are talking informally among your friends and they do not like what you are saying, they can interrupt, or change the subject. If you are talking over the radio, you must talk so that you will be listened to until you have finished what you want to express.

That, I suppose, answers why I came to radio. And now as to the question of what I would do if I were running radio. Let me start by saying that I think radio is subject to very little criticism when you consider how far it has come in the last few years that it has been with us. Next, I should like to bring up a topic which has been brought up many times before, but which I think is a matter of permanent importance. People ask: Why should the radio be cluttered up with advertising?—it isn't in Europe.

Well, in the first place, it is my opinion—although I have made no profound study of the subject—that the radio should be as good as it is here. It is very often a national institution, as it frequently happens that only one side of a question is presented. Our great magazines and our great newspapers in this country couldn't exist without advertising. It seems to me that when an advertiser has the good sense and the good taste to give the public (Continued on page 72)



Editor A. Gurn, well-known American poet who has a large book, newspaper and radio audience, with Dr. and Mrs. Phelps

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TIDBITS

Served by the

Smart Hostess

Edited by
IDA BAILEY ALLEN
heard over CBS on Tuesdays at 10:15,
and recent winner of *Woman's Telegram's*
popularity poll for domestic program.

FOOD and drink are creating a new era—an era of enjoyment, discrimination and fermentation. We deal intelligently on the wrong things served together and others for the first time in our history as a nation we are voicing food and drink from the cuisiniers of the epicure.

The word, "tidbit" has crept into our food vocabulary. We use it glibly, but how many know its real meaning? In the dictionary you will find that it is spelled "ti-bit," and that it is "a delicate and tender piece of anything edible; a trifle; morsel"—not only a sally accompanied to cocktails, highballs or plain whiskey and soda. In years past the tidbit was served at the close of the meal, on a domestic basis. Today it has changed position, until now it can be classed as an

This delicate tidbit (tray of snacks) was created by the chef at the Hollywood Ritz Hotel.

Mrs. Allen says:

Serve tidbits with cocktails, highballs or whiskey and soda at luncheon or during the evening meal—*but never with wine* except when dry cherry is served as an appetizer.

Tidbits may also be served with beer in the late evening—not the drink type, but substantial snacks like sandwiches and cheese delicacies.

In planning for men, do not forget the good old standbys as popular as ever, however, introduce new spreads and toppings occasionally on canapés.

After dinner, for they are intelligently planned and eaten in equal quantities. In this case there should be many varieties, among them several that are salty, for the purpose of the tidbit is to whet the throat. And after being "thirsty" for a while, it is up to the clever hostess to cater to it!

Tidbits may be served properly on three different occasions. At luncheon with cocktails, highballs, or whiskey and soda, but always preceding the tea and cakes; with cocktails or whiskey before dinner; or with another strong drink during the evening or after a late game of bridge. Tidbits are never served with wine. The exception that proves the rule is when dry cherry is served as an appetizer. However, tidbits are served with beer at the late evening—not the drink type, but substantial snacks in the form of unique sandwiches and cheese delicacies.

In planning tidbits to please men, do not forget that the good old favorites are as popular as ever. Introduce new spreads and, perhaps occasionally use canapés—but remember that many people hesitate to taste the material, and while enthusiastic about it, they may make less desirable eating.

Whatever the kind of tidbit, it is [Continued on page 68]



HACHILAND

DRAPES for Spring Sunshine

THE spring sun feels warm and comforting. You cannot get enough of it outdoors. You feel it must be allowed to flood the house with its vitalizing rays. You draw back the winter draperies. They look heavy and cumbersome in the bright light. They were expensive, too, you remember, and you fear the bright sun will fade them.

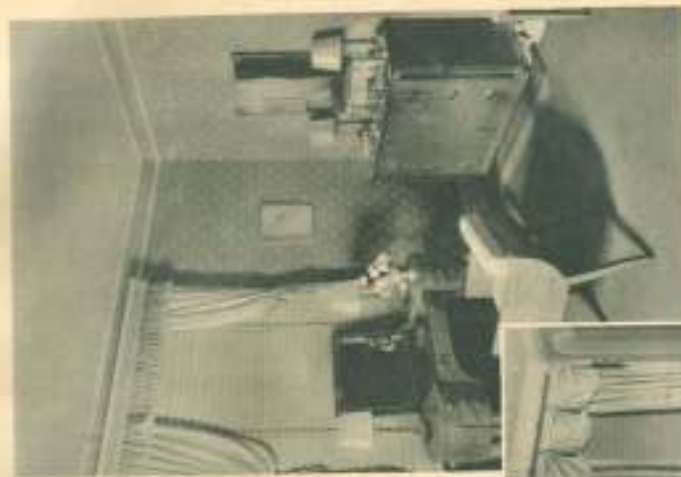
At this point, if you are imaginative, your mind will begin to actively plan spring draperies for each room. You will begin to calculate the probable cost, decide that they can be quite inexpensive and that they will prove a real economy, and end by solving forth to look at the second fabrics.

Buying window draperies is always difficult, for no way has yet been evolved by which experimental lengths of the fabrics may be hung in the rooms they are to adorn. The only way to meet this problem is to know before you start out the color you wish to use, and to take with you samples of wall-paper, a card showing paint or wood stain colors, and samples of the principal upholstery fabrics.

The materials to be selected and the way the draperies are to be made depend to a large extent on the type of room and the effect to be created. Before making any purchases ask yourself these questions:

Is the room small, crowded and stuffy-looking? Does it need draperies that contribute a sense of spaciousness? ... Do the windows look out upon a court or an unpleasant view that should be screened without restraining the light? ... Does the room need the stimulation of color, or should it be toned down? ... Is the room too low? Would an increase of height prove a contribution to the decorative scheme? ... Should drapery material be chosen that can be duplicated elsewhere in the room, as slip covers, bed spreads, etc.

Are the draperies to take the place of window shades? ... Should the draperies be of a type that can be bunched, or are you planning to send them to a dry cleaner? ... Are you going to make the draperies yourself, or have a decorator do it? ... Must over these points on your way in the shops, so that your needs will be clear in your mind before you make any purchases. Otherwise a disappointment is in the offing. [Continued on page 69]



Shown, jade yellow, enhance with yellow fringes against white Venetian blinds. Left, patterned silk drapes and back with heavy cord, showing the Victorian in drapery.



The same old house—but new draperies and curtains will give you a new lease on Life!

HANDS *are* Important

*—and there's no reason why
they should be rough or un-
sightly if you apply the prac-
tical methods described in
this article*

By WYNNE MCKAY



Rough, dry hands
can be made beau-
tiful by massaging
tissue cream into
the skin, applying
a final layer of
cream, and donning
loose, soft white
gloves to be worn
all night

PRACTICALLY all women today know how to care for their hands and nails. Of course, they do not use their knowledge each day, as they should, but they are never at a loss when called upon to give themselves manicures. This is partly due, no doubt, to the low price of professional manicures; but largely, I think, to the complete home manicure sets, with detailed instructions, available at all toiletry counters for ridiculously small amounts.

But in spite of this wholesale dissemination of manicure lore, I still find in my mail numerous questions touching on special problems in the care of the nails. Brittle nails, one of the most common and exasperating problems, are often caused by cutting the nails instead of filing them, or by the too-frequent use of cheap, strong polishes and removers. Keeping hands in hot water continually, especially when the water contains caustic soap, will also make nails brittle and soft. To remedy this condition throw away your nail scissors and buy a flexible file or emery boards. Use only a high grade polish and remover, one that you can be sure contains no drying ingredients. Wear rubber gloves if you must keep your hands in water much of the time.

In addition to these precautions, you should treat the offending nails to daily

warm oil baths—almond or castor oil, preferably. Heat the oil until it is quite warm, then transfer it to a low dish and park your ten fingers in it for a half hour if possible, or ten minutes at least. These oil baths, taken regularly, will soon make your nails flexible. Anyone subject to brittle nails should give herself oil manicures instead of the ordinary kind. An oil manicure is exactly like any other except that after the nails are filed and dead cuticle removed, the fingers are allowed to soak in a bowl of warm oil instead of soapy water.

White spots on the nails, purported to have some mystic significance, are simply annoying blemishes to well-groomed women. These white patches are caused either by excessive dryness of the nails or by bruises. The treatment described above will remove the first cause, while a little care and judgment will do away with the second. When you manicure your nails, treat them gently. The use of a sharp steel instrument to push back the cuticle at the base of the nail is definitely harmful. Never use a steel instrument either here or under the free edge of the nail. Instead, use the end of an orangewood stick, covered with cotton.

Chronically ridged or striated nails make it quite impossible to file evenly or to apply polish nicely. They are usually due to an acid condition of the blood that needs medical correction, but they can be made more presentable by frequent oil applications and by smoothing them off gently with the finer side of an emery board. Another trick, often used by professional manicurists, is to put powdered pumice on a wet buffer and then buff [Continued on page 73]

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A charming neckline characterizes L324, in pastel crêpe with smart "topper" in black and white stripes, worn over the bodice. Back view below

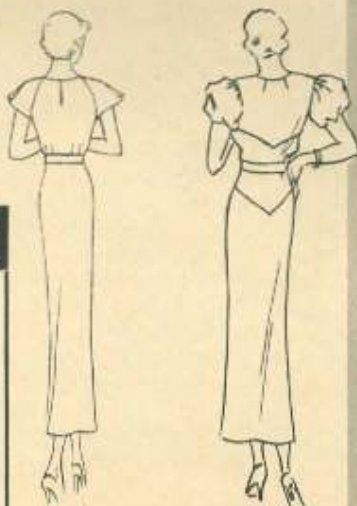
THIS month the spotlight in our RADIOLAND pattern department rests on a young lady who is quite accustomed to spotlights—lovely blonde Harriet Hilliard, featured soloist with Ozzie Nelson's orchestra. From her summer wardrobe she chose her two very favorite frocks, and so that her admirers may, if they like, make themselves duplicates of them, we have prepared patterns of these two stunning models.

At the right, you see Miss Hilliard wearing an ultra-smart cape ensemble. It is fashioned of rough crêpe in that exquisite new shade of blue called aqua, and the yoke and sleeves are a soft flesh tone flat crêpe. The smart cape just brushes the hip tops, and fastens close to the throat with a pert bow. Miss Hilliard wears it both with or without the cape, as it looks equally well either way. This is pattern L323, designed in sizes 12 to 20 and 30 to 40. Size 16 requires $3\frac{3}{8}$ yards 39-inch fabric and $1\frac{1}{8}$ yards contrasting. This frock would be also grand in any of the new smart cotton fabrics.

THE afternoon frock at the left centers its interest above the waistline, as the smartest models do, this season. It features one of the new "toppers" worn over the bodice, and delightfully casual tie ends that will prove flattering to every type of figure. Fashioned of black and white striped silk or exotic Roman stripes, this innovation furnishes striking contrast to the pastel crêpe frock. Raglan sleeves slashed to the shoulder add to the interest. This is pattern L324, available in sizes 14 to 20 and 32 to 42. Size 16 requires 3 yards of 30-inch fabric and $\frac{7}{8}$ yards contrasting.



Isn't this a luscious ensemble for summer? Harriet Hilliard wears L323 in aqua blue crêpe, with yoke and sleeves in flesh tone flat crêpe. Linen in green and daffodil yellow would be another delectable combination for this outfit. Back view shown at left



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don't know as we care to work for you at all."

"Oke! Make it an even hundred!" said Gregory reluctantly. Dolph signalled hysterically, and Chick nodded slowly.

"One hundred a week," he repeated, "and a year's contract. Done, Gregory, and you're gettin' the biggest bargain of your life!"

"Done, nothing!" shouted Raymond so abruptly that all three conspirators nearly jumped out of their skins. "What are you bozos trying to put over? Who the hell do you think I am, anyways? I'm still managing these birds," he went on, turning to Gregory, "and until I give them a release, they're mine."

"Go on," taunted the manager. "Give it to them. You're broke—what's the good of holding them?" Ignoring Gregory, Raymond strode over to Chick and grasped him by the coat lapels.

"Why, you white-livered little warbling whippoorwill!" he shouted. "Do you want to wreck your future and mine, too, for a measly hundred a week?"

"Well, what are you offerin'?" sneered the whippoorwill.

"A sponsor!" shouted Raymond. "What do you think I've been sweating over these last two weeks?"

"That so?" Chick asked eagerly. "Who's the sponsor?"

"The Acme Dog Biscuit Company!" Joe announced in triumph.

"Aw, can I sing a love song to a dog biscuit?" Chick demanded in disgust.

"You'll sing all right!" Raymond replied ironically. "It's all set except for the audition. Six-fifty a week for three months on JKK!"

Chick whistled. "I told you guys those letters meant something!"

"You ain't had that audition yet," growled Gregory. "How do you know it won't flop?"

"It can't flop," said Chick aggressively. "I never flop."

"Afraid I'll have to turn down your offer, after all, old man!" said Chick, turning to Gregory with a new degree of superiority in his manner.

"Turn down, hell! I withdraw the offer!" he bellowed. "And when you've made a fool out of yourselves over at JKK, you needn't come crawling back here, either!"

"WELL, boys," Raymond broke in briskly, "the audition is all set for two-thirty this afternoon. The sponsors will be over there to have a look-see for how you'd go in personal appearances. I guess you'll get by," he added, with a dubious glance in Dolph's direction. "Meanwhile, how about a bite of lunch?"

"Who said lunch?" asked Sally, sticking her head in at this moment, a trim head in the smartest of little hats.

"I did!" Raymond announced grandly. "Come on, Miss Blaine—we're going to celebrate!"

On the way down in the crowded elevator, Chick and Sally, pressed together in a back corner, exchanged whispers.

"Oh, Chick, dear!" she said. "I'm so happy for you! This is a real chance. You're not nervous, are you?"

"No, sweet!" he whispered back. "I'll be lookin' at you while I sing, so I'll do all right."

"Does it really make a difference?" she asked. "Having the right people in the audience?"

"All the difference in the world," he answered her. "Some people drive me nuts, while others—well, that's one reason I'm so suited for radio. I don't have to see the audience."

"I'll say you're suited!" She snuggled closer, a trifle jealously. "And hun-

dreds of other women are beginning to think so, too."

The building in which JKK was situated proved a revelation to the partners, who stared about them, while Joe made the final arrangements.

Beyond the glass partition lights went up and a group of men filed in—the sponsors, Jelkes explained.

"We won't wait for the chief, Mr. Raymond," Jelkes added. "He's a busy man. But he'll be listening, in his private office. Let's get going!"

Mr. Jelkes led Raymond from the studio; presently they could be seen taking their places behind the glass. The sponsors registered alertness; Sally, in a front chair, rested her trembling chin on a small gloved hand and smiled tenderly at Chick. He smiled back, and then, the world in his palm, walked over to Dolph and put his hand on his shoulder.

"Play for your life, Bozo!" he whispered. "Buck up! Look at me, I ain't nervous!"

For answer, Dolph crashed out the opening chords of the song, surely and sweetly. With a flash of his brilliant smile, Chick stepped up to the mike and began to sing, his eyes on the audience beyond the glass. And the first thing he saw was that someone had taken the seat next to Sally. It was the little man whom Chick had crowned with the trayful of beer-mugs!

WHEN Chick was finally able to grasp the fact that the vision before him was not an hallucination, but his ancient enemy in the flesh, it seemed for one awful moment as though the end of the world had come. Despite his uttermost efforts at self-control, his lips were growing dry and with a chill of horror, he began to experience that tightening of the throat which presaged disaster. Dolph heard the crack coming two bars away and turned his head to see what was wrong. One glance was enough to show him the victim of the beer-deluge. At that instant Chick's voice began to shake. Without warning, Dolph burst into song, improvising a lyric.

"Take it easy, pally," Dolph sang in his flat, thick, baritone voice:

"Take it easy, pally,
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Through the glass, he could see a quick movement of surprise from the listeners. But the sound of Dolph's voice had somehow restored his poise as nothing else could have done. He motioned for a second refrain of *The Door of My Heart* to be taken slowly. And now, completely without fear, he sang as he had never sung before—quietly, deliciously, his voice liquid gold.

When the last sobbing note had faded upon the air, there was a long moment before the audience shook off the spell sufficiently to stir. Then a telephone tinkled discreetly and Jelkes answered. After a little pause he turned to the others. "The boss says it's ok!" he announced smiling. "What do you think, gentlemen?"

"I'd like an introduction to them fellers," said the president of the Acme

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Dog Biscuit Company. "Can we talk to them?"

"Sure!" said Raymond, springing to his feet. "Come right along. I am glad to report that the head of this great concern shares my—our opinion of Allen and Rose. A wonderful voice—original lyrics!... This way, gentlemen!"

Mr. Greenwold, the Dog Biscuit King, accompanied by a little man, presumably his partner, practically lost in a large fur-collared overcoat, followed Joe into the studio, Mr. Jelkes bringing up the rear, with proper deference to a possible new account, with the representatives of the advertising agency. Impulsively Sally sprang to her feet, intending to follow—then decided she should keep out of Chick's business conference. She glanced at her neighbor and was about to ask his reaction to Chick's performance when she became aware that he had settled back, closed his eyes and apparently fallen asleep.

In repose, the man's face, deprived of the spark which lay in his remarkable eyes, took on the appearance of an ancient, somewhat battered comedy mask. But Sally noted that his clothes were of the finest material, fashionably cut; and that he wore, on the little finger of his left hand, a carved emerald of extraordinary size and beauty. But while she was wondering who this strange person could be, an animated discussion from the studio reached her ears. The sound had not been cut off.

"I like your voice fine, Mr. Allen," the president was saying. "You got that certain something—know what I mean? It's a lady-catcher. Get me up a little theme song about a man's best friend is his dog, or som'pin'.... You lead an orchestra, of course," he added.

Chick's eyes, for one hasty second, betrayed his alarm, but he rallied.

"Lead an orchestra?" he said scornfully. "After goin' to the Hester Street School, where every kid was a Ben Bernie in the making? I don't have to lead—they follow me like fish follows soup!"

"That's good!" said Mr. Greenwold. Then, turning to Raymond, he added, "I figure it's more class if we advertise 'Chick Allen and his Orchestra.'... Well, what'll we fly at next?"

"We might," said the advertising man, "go into a huddle on the contract."

"O.K.," snapped Raymond. "How about Jelkes' office?... You boys wait for me," he added to Chick as the others left the studio.

AS SOON as they were alone, Dolph grabbed Chick's hand and pumped it enthusiastically.

"Gee, this is great, Chick," he said. "Only you can't lead an orchestra!"

"Sure I can!" Chick exulted. "All you got to do is stand there wearing a trick suit and wave a lollypop at 'em. Besides, you can do the writing-out for me—what did you learn orchestration for, anyways?"

"Gee," said Dolph, "you know I'll be glad to do it, Chick!"

Sally got to her feet to greet Chick as he entered. But he brushed her aside and made straight for the hunched figure in the chair.

"Just a minute, Sally," he said. "I got

something to say to this bird before I'm two minutes older."

The sound of Chick's voice aroused the stranger, who now got to his feet.

"So!" he remarked, in a surprisingly deep, cultured voice. "So—no beer-trays today?"

"No!" shouted Chick. "Nor tomorrow, either! And let me tell you something, you poor insignificant shrimp, you keep outa my way, see? Or I'll punch you one you won't forget!"

"No cheap threats," said the other quietly, "or I'll have you thrown out of here."

"Oh, yeah?" scoffed Chick. "Well, it wasn't me was thrown out the last time! And lemme tell you something else—if all you got to do is bum around chiseling free entertainment, you better stick to the museums from now on. I don't like you and if I catch you crabbing my act again, I'll—"

"Aw, Chick!" Dolph interrupted. "Cut it out. Don't do that in here!"

"I'm quite capable of looking after myself, thanks," said the little man drily. Disaster was averted by the entrance of Mr. Jelkes, who walked briskly toward the stranger, beaming.

"Sorry I've seemed neglectful, Mr. Van Schuyler!" Jelkes began ingratiatingly. "But I had to get this audition out of the way. Is there anything in particular I can do for you?"

"Yes," said Van Schuyler, pointing to Chick with his cane. "Remove this." Jelkes laughed nervously, glancing from Chick and Dolph to Van Schuyler.

"Didn't you care for the performance?" Jelkes queried. "This is Mr. Allen, who just sang, Mr. Van Schuyler."

"I know!" said the little man. "It's not the first time I've heard him. Any more auditions this afternoon?" Van Schuyler inquired, ignoring the question. "No? Then I'll be getting along." At the door he lifted his head and sniffed deeply.

"You ought to air this place out—it smells!" he said.

WHEN the door closed upon his curiously powerful, squat figure, Jelkes turned back to the boys.

"Well, boys!" he exclaimed. "What a break for you! Van Schuyler himself. He never sits through a performance unless he's really going for it!"

"Van Schuyler?" said Chick, frowning. "Who's he?"

"Man alive, who's J. P. Morgan?" Jelkes was impatient. "The Van Schuyler, of course—the one who's building the Van Schuyler Foundation—biggest radio center in the world!"

"My gosh!" said Dolph.

"Oh, Chick!" gasped Sally.

But Chick was nonchalant. "I don't believe it!" he announced firmly. "That old bird? Why, I saw him in Tony Kelly's—he came there three nights running, just to razz me, I guess."

"Three nights!" exclaimed Jelkes, seizing Chick by the hand and shaking it enthusiastically. "Man, you're made! Why, old Van has more power than anybody in the radio world. If he listened to you three nights, you've got nothing more to worry about!"

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Chick was finally impressed. "Say, am I nuts, or are you really trying to stand there and tell me that little squirt was Peter Van Schuyler, the great millionaire? What would he be doing at Kelly's?"

"Well, Jelkes explained, "he's always been eccentric—and he's mad on the subject of radio. He spends most of his time sleuthing around looking for new talent, and he never makes a mistake. There's no limit to what he can do for you."

"And vice versa, probably," Sally put in. "Certainly," said Jelkes. "Mr. Van Schuyler makes a bad enemy. Heaven help anyone who got into his bad graces—he sure could put them out of this business overnight!"

There was a brief pause, broken by Chick's low whistle. "I'll be damned!" he said, finally.

"So'll I!" said Dolph, gloomily.

Suddenly Chick brightened, his indomitable egotism coming to the front once more.

"Aw, nuts!" he said. "Who the hell does Van Schuyler think he is, anyway? Who's the important guy on the air—the one who entertains the public, or the one who merely puts up the dough? I should sob over his opinion. C'mon, folks, let's find Raymond. What's worrying me right now is will I wear a white suit or a tux, conducting that orchestra!"

THE central figure in a scandal or a tragedy is the only person who remembers it after the proverbial nine days. And so it was that Chick Allen was the only one who remembered that he had mortally offended the powerful Mr. Van Schuyler; and even Chick, as the fame and favor of his music began to sweep the country, thought less and less of his dangerous enemy, until finally he thought of him no more.

The Door of My Heart was not only open wide, but had reached the stage where it had become a public nuisance.irate husbands snapped off the radio as

the first strains, sung in Chick's liquid, all-too-seductive tones, invaded the privacy of homes from coast to coast. Messenger boys pierced the night hideously with whistled interpretations of it; bank presidents caught themselves humming it as they rang for their stenographers, and on a lonely island off the coast of Maine a bachelor lighthouse keeper was found dead with a phonograph record of the song in his hand—to Joe Raymond's enthusiastic delight.

There were newspaper photographs—always of Chick. Occasionally, in a fan magazine, Dolph's figure could be glimpsed at a piano somewhere in the background. But the dazzling smile, the slender figure in the white suit, and the gleaming yellow head, were what people pictured when they spoke of Allen and Rose. The wonder of it was that Dolph's name was not dropped altogether.

Then came electricians, blazoned across the front of the *Palace Theatre*. "Chick Allen and His Orchestra," booked by popular demand, was hitting Broadway straight between the eyes. And the dance numbers, "arranged by Allen and Rose," were captivating dancing feet everywhere.

Next, came the day when Joe Raymond, telephoning from a drug store at the roaring intersection of Forty-second Street and Times Square, broke the news of the greatest triumph so far.

"That you, Chick?" he roared into the transmitter, his voice hoarse with excitement. "Listen, you lucky stiff! I've just booked you at the Park View Hotel Grill for six weeks at thirty grand... What? Aw, shut up, you smart mug. You're not worth ten per cent of it!"

IT WAS Joe Raymond who took Sally to the opening night. The grillroom of the big hotel was well padded with stooges, for the management was taking no chances on Chick's welcome; but when Sally, charming in white chiffon, walked in with Raymond, the erstwhile



"At this point, stop the hurricane and become a yelping coyote!"

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neglected grill was already overflowing with representatives from Park Avenue. The Park View had never drawn a distinguished clientele—but Chick Allen was doing it! The head waiter showed Raymond to a table on the edge of the dance floor and Sally, spreading her petal-like gown, looked about her with dancing eyes—eyes which lit up when Chick noticed their entrance and smiled. He was to join them for supper during intermission.

Raymond's increasing interest in Sally made him realize that she was not quite her old self. But she chattered on. "It's wonderful, isn't it?" she asked tremulously. "Our boys doing all this! I don't see much of them, between the theatre, rehearsals and the broadcasts. Now, with this," she gave a nervous little laugh, "I don't suppose I shall see them at all!"

"Nonsense!" said Raymond. Then, because he felt rather responsible for her distress, he ordered a more expensive brand of champagne than he had intended. Sally's eyes sparkled again and when the orchestra swung into Chick's newest composition, *Dearest, Believe Me*, she sang a little in a low, throaty whisper. Raymond, who had never heard her sing before, squeezed her gently to him as they danced.

"It's lovely," he told her.

"I can't sing," she said, blushing. "All I can croon is caramel custards and canning recipes."

The evening was an undoubted success. The music was intoxicating. The crowd danced with a frenzied enthusiasm or snuggled together below the orchestral platform when Chick Allen sang, his handsome face lighted by a blue spot, his special microphone, with his monogram in jewels, dangling before him. Dancing couples fought for the coveted position where they could look up and catch every movement of his lips, every flash of his famous smile. Overnight fame had come and Chick was riding the wave well, his eyes, pointed apparently at the painted ceiling, looking toward the crest which even yet he had not reached.

Breathless from the last encore, Sally and Raymond had scarcely reached their table when Chick joined them.

"Well, folks," he caroled, "how'm I doin'?"

"Marvelous," said Raymond. "You've clicked big here, Chick."

"Where's Dolph?" Sally asked.

"Oh, he's doctoring up the next number," Chick replied, carelessly.

"I've so much to tell you," Sally began, "I scarcely know where to begin—it's weeks since we've really talked."

"Nice to see you, too," Chick's eyes were roving about the room, even as he spoke, and when an instant later the *maitre de hotel* touched his arm, he sprang to his feet without apology. There was a whispered consultation.

"Gee, folks, this is too bad," said Chick, "but I'm afraid you'll have to excuse me."

"Why, you said—" Joe began angrily. Chick calmed him with a gesture.

"It's Mrs. Perry Huston," he explained. "You know, the society dame. Wants to meet me. She's got a big party over there in the corner. What about it, Joe—better go, hadn't I?"

"Yeah—go if you want," Raymond growled. "I suppose it's all part of the game!"

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"Good business!" exclaimed Chick happily. "Never does any harm to be clubby with the rich!" And with a wave he melted into the crowd, steered by the solicitous head waiter. Joe turned to Sally and shook his head.

"It can't be helped, my dear!" he said. "It's part of what he must pay for success."

"He likes it," she said in a low tone, not looking at him.

"A crooner," said Raymond sententiously, "is apt to be misunderstood by several millions of women."

"Women are always hounding Chick," Sally admitted, nibbling at a roll. "And he falls for it. But it's none of my affair."

"You don't fool me!" Raymond exclaimed. "You two have been darned good friends. But more than one can play that particular game. Look here, I want to talk to you seriously about something. I'm coming to your office at WOX tomorrow morning. Will you be there?"

"I always am!" said Sally with a forlorn little laugh.

THE little private office which Gregory had rigged up to accommodate his star domestic expert had looked very grand to Sally when it was first turned over to her. Many of the women who constituted her audience came to the studio for personal interviews.

That morning, following Chick's debut at the Park View, Sally saw the room as it really was for the first time. Contrasted with the splendor in which the boys worked and lived, it was a little depressing. Sally sighed wistfully as she opened her mail, sorted it with Doris, her personal secretary, and began planning for her evening talk, reading while Doris held the stop-watch. In the midst of a seventy-two-second recipe for baked oysters, the door opened to admit Joe Raymond.

"My Gawd!" Doris exclaimed. "Look what got up before lunch!"

"How do you know I've been to bed?" Joe grinned at her. "Don't destroy my reputation for night-flying, Doris." He turned to Sally, kissing her hand elaborately. "The Whispering Soprano wasting time on oysters!" he accused her. "Tell that animated cook-book of yours to scram, Sally. I want to talk about your private life!"

"She hasn't any," said Doris pertly. "That's what's the matter with her!" She slammed out of the room, a huge pile of fan-letters under one arm. Left alone with Sally, Joe lit a thin, expensive cigar and regarded Sally with keen, friendly eyes.

"Look here, Sally," he said. "I'm going to talk pretty plain. And you know I'm on the up-and-up, so you won't mind."

"My conscience is clear," said Sally with a puzzled little laugh. "So go ahead—shoot!"

"Well, it's this," he began. "You've done an awful lot for Chick and Dolph; in fact, Chick would never have got over if you hadn't held him down, smoothed him out. And now you're letting him run away from you!"

"I don't understand," Sally said stubbornly.

"Oh, yes you do!" he insisted kindly. "This thing you do, this kitchen magician act—it's steady, but it's peanut-time! You've got a nice voice, Sally. When I called you the Whispering Soprano just now I wasn't fooling. I was thinking of how it would bill."

"Me sing?" she exclaimed. "On the radio? You're crazy!"

"Not so crazy that I'd try to put you over just out of the kindness of my heart," said Raymond drily.

"But why?" Sally was less bewildered than she pretended to be. "I'm established in my line; the United Groceries are taking up my option at better money."

"That's not the point," he insisted. "Sally, you can see what I'm driving at. You're typed. If you go on, you'll be in the dish-washing class forever—it'll be too late to change."

"So what?" She was trying to sound impudent.

"To give yourself a break," he went on slowly, "you've got to put yourself in the running with the white-light babies. You're good-looking enough; all you need is a different class of job, the clothes, and a sharp eye on the boyfriend." Sally flushed scarlet.

"And if I'd rather just be myself—?"

"His fans will come between you," he warned her. "All these crazy dames—last night's performance will go on forever, Sally, unless you get into Chick's sort of a set-up. Look here, the boys are going on a coast to coast tour with the orchestra. Let me try you out while they're gone! You won't be sorry."

There was a long pause but Sally finally shook her head. "I see what you mean," she said honestly. "But I can't do it. Thank you, Joe, just the same." Joe got to his feet as she stood up and took both of her hands in his. The door opened and Chick Allen stood in the entrance.

"Even though you've turned me down," said Joe hastily, with a twinkle in his eye, "just remember you can change your mind any time—I'll be waiting!"

"Oh, yeah?" said Chick, marching in and flourishing the square florist's box he carried. "Well, Joe, you'll probably have quite a long wait—would you mind doing it outside?"

"Hello, Chick," said Sally, her cheeks flushed. "We were talking of you."

"You and the rest of the world," he declared gaily. "Sorry I had to break our date last night," he added, "but you know how it is!"

"That's the trouble, we do!" said Raymond sarcastically. "Well, guess I'd better blow. So long, Sally—remember what I said. So long, Chick." He went whistling down the corridor. Chick turned to Sally with a frown.

"That guy's getting too big for his hat!" he said. "If it wasn't for me he'd still be harmonizing try-outs in Tin Pan Alley." He opened the florist's box with pride, producing an immense corsage of orchids which he presented to Sally.

"Chick!" she cried. "They're wonderful! I never had flowers like these before!"

She ran across and kissed him impulsively, holding the flowers over their heads. Suddenly Chick had crushed her

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to him in a long embrace, his mouth on hers for what seemed a breathless eternity. Then he pushed her away and held her at arms' length.

"Gee, baby!" he said, a trifle shakily. "It looks like we have a lot to talk over. What do you say to a bite of lunch? A little place I know where it's quiet..."

He broke off into an eloquent silence and Sally's heart filled her throat. Her great chance had come—that delicate moment when a woman knows she has only to play her cards right and her man will commit himself. But suddenly, without warning, Sally's golden second crashed to earth, lying in shattered, irreparable fragments about her—as the door was flung wide to admit Mr. Gregory, heading a delegation of women.

One glance was enough to tell Sally who they were—a momentarily forgotten delegation from the Iowa Cooking School Convention, on tour. With a chill of horror, Sally remembered that she was entertaining them at luncheon. Starting at a minimum age of sixty, the ladies presented a front of cheery respectability, hostile formality and self-conscious virtue. However, at Mr. Gregory's introduction of Chick, a fluttering wave of revived femininity stirred in them, like a placid lake suddenly storm-struck. They crowded around him, begging for autographs. One thin spinster insisted upon shrieking to him that she sang, herself.

"Ladies, ladies!" cried Gregory, in an effort to quiet them. "Remember, lunch is waiting! You are Aunt Hattie's guests!"

Over the seething mass of female enthusiasm, Sally managed to catch Chick's eye as he struggled toward the door. But the glance he gave her was cold now—even faintly angry. Her fans, thought Sally bitterly, had separated her from Chick even more definitely, more dangerously, than the intervention of the society women the night before.

"See you when I get back!" Chick called to her from the doorway. "I'll send you a post-card from California!"

He was gone. It would be weeks before she could hope to see him again—weeks during which a million other women would write him love letters, offer him gifts, adulation. The ladies of the Iowa Society were flocking about her now, praising Chick extravagantly, the silly old fools! Sally went to get her hat and to pin on the corsage of orchids. As she looked at herself in the mirror, she unpinned the delicate purple blossoms and put them in water, instead.

"I'm typed," she told her reflected self. "A hausfrau—inescapably tagged by my job. No orchids for me!"

She deliberately set her hat at a less rakish angle, turned back to her guests, and was swallowed into their chatty, motherly midst.

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Dr. W. R. George



"Hot from Heaven"

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vernacular, slang and popular allusion. But he is less vitriolic than Sunday, and always bubbling over with humor.

Elder Michaux was tired, he confessed, and was hurrying home for a bite and a brief rest. He was scheduled to return to the pulpit again at nine.

His magnetic presence gone, the church and congregation took my attention. One of the ushers whose duty it was to give every stranger the "glad hand of welcome," spelled with a capital W for white folks, took charge of me.

I was taken up to a seat directly in front of the Mourners' Bench, a few feet away from the Elder's rostrum.

THINGS were beginning to happen on the "stage," which was railed off from the main hall. A narrow platform several feet higher was the pulpit, with the microphone placed in front of it. Three very ornamental plush arm-chairs were the only furniture. One for Elder Michaux (which he never used, for he never sat down or rested). Two dignitaries in evening dress came in and sat down with the others, with all the minstrel touch of Mr. Sambo and Mr. Bones—which they continued to display in character throughout the service. And don't mistake me when I say, with all solemn respect, that such was the happy and sincere pattern of their minstrelsy to God—no less solemn than that of the Jongleur de Notre Dame!

The choir stalls rose in banks of seats behind the chairs. Twenty or more women choristers came down a curved stair out of deep folds of blue velvet hangings that enveloped the sanctuary, clad in gray flowing robes with sleeves resembling wings, suggesting angels fluttering down on the scene from above. The men singers slipped in unostentatiously. The guitarist and harpist took places on the ends. The organist was out of sight, while the grand piano stood out in the auditorium.

The choir and its accompanying instruments burst into the happy melody

which for piercing sweetness of timbre and melancholy tenderness of tone, in my opinion, is unapproached and unapproachable in the whole radio field. True, it may be uncultivated and primitive, but it has all the flutelike sylvan purity of a woodwind Pipe of Pan. Gorgeous ear music! The airs have the simplicity of Mozart, thrown naturally into syncopation that delights all but the too-tutored ear.

THE Testimonies followed. So eager were many to testify how evil they had once been—but were now saved and happy in their new life—that a half dozen sprang up at a time. A score of whites were no less zealous than their black brethren and sisters. Some were tragic, others comical; but none was ridiculous. The whole audience was a-quiver with holy excitement. Simple, humble folk; their souls vibrant, bared and a-flame. A white man with tears in his eyes said he had dropped in to scoff and remained to pray. A black mother with her baby asleep on her breast swore that she had stayed pure from the moment she first stepped foot in this place. "Hallelujah! Lawd help us all!" they shouted. A white-haired Southern gentleman testified that the black man had showed him the Way and the Truth.

Ever and anon, they spontaneously broke into song. Never in all your life have you heard that old salvation hymn, "Beulah Land", sung as they sang it. And seven times did an oldish deacon sitting out front at a table leap up to start his favorite hymn, screaming out the opening high notes. But each time someone beat him to it and he would sink down and lay his head on his arm and laugh hilariously at the spectacle he had made, and we with him. "Try again, brother! Yo' gotter put lightnin' in yo' wings!" encouraged fat Mr. Sambo from the platform. At last the old deacon got in his inning. It was a weird, unfamiliar but melodious hymn, and he let go with



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what had once been a sonorous voice, holding his head on one side with closed eyes. He did everything but yodel, singing with harmonious sliding scales and daring variations that were astonishing but not unbeautiful. . . . It was that kind of a gathering of children of all ages.

Next on the program came Mrs. Mary Michaux, wife of the Elder, singing two compositions of her own. She has a sweet voice with a lovely Southern cadence, but she is altogether too ambitious, too operatic in style. After the songs she started to preach. She too had that incisive style, that darky flare of fancy and wit, with a flow of astonishing metaphor that pictorialized the most abstruse passages of the Bible like a child's story-book. Suddenly she stopped dead in the midst of her sermonette. . . .

A HUSH fell on the congregation. There was a slight commotion in the back of the hall. Then came three small boys, followed by a huge usher—like alcolytes before the Archbishop, heralds before the King! All prancing, each bearing something personal—his brief case, his hat, his Book. Then Elder Solomon Lightfoot Michaux in an ordinary brown business suit, stepping at a lively pace. Straight through the ante-chamber on the right he pranced, almost immediately reappearing on the platform. Turning, he let us have it before anybody could say Jack Robinson!

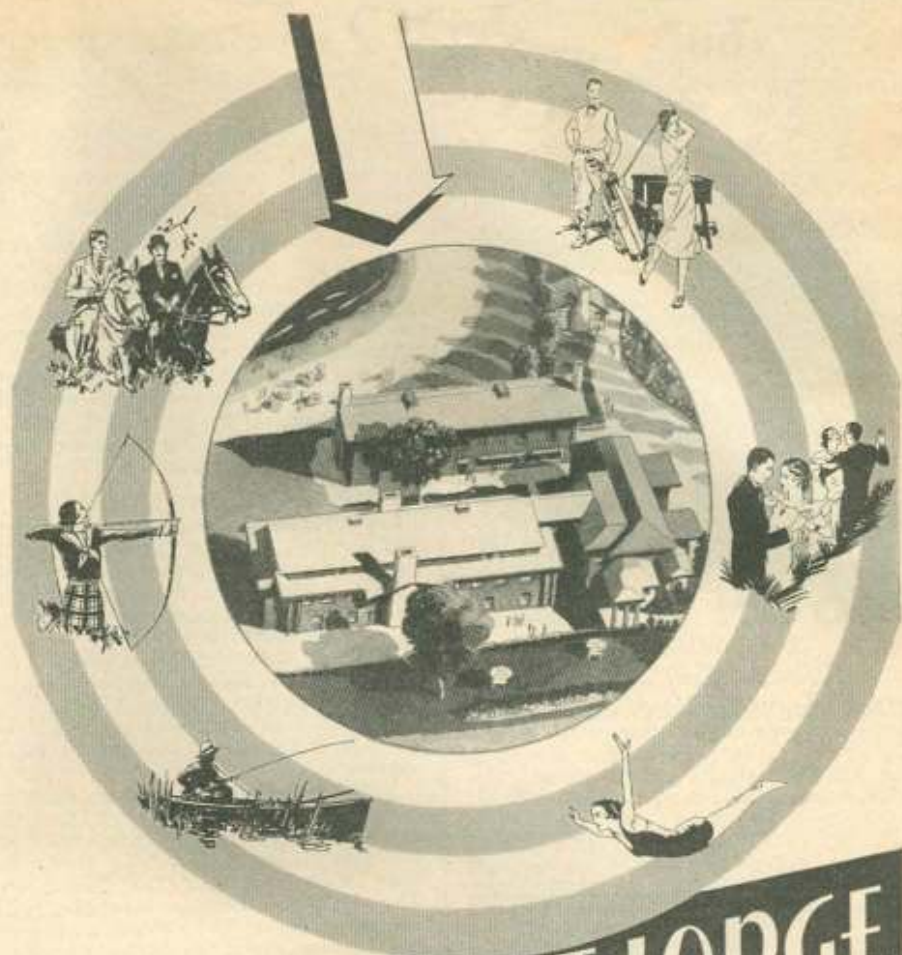
"I been married twenty-seven years today, pilgrims. And I thank God I love a godly woman. 'How do you hold on so long?' a brother asks me. That's easy! That's easy! Just love your wife like bee-fere you married her!" (He laughs and the whole hall laughs with him.) "And always love a good woman, 'cause if she ever gets bad on your hands—" He pauses to chuckle. "God help you, brother!" (The audience goes crazy: "Ya-as-suh! . . . Yo' sho' is right!" they scream.)

From now on, he has them going, fascinated, adoring; laughing or crying by turns.

This is truly the Lord's Minstrel Show. The three little boys are hauled in from the wings to do their stuff; the smallest, not more than seven, is actually fast asleep. They all still wear their new leather reefers with lambs'-wool collars, although it is stifling hot. They sing a whole melody of spirituals, improvising with their own astonishing syncopations and imitations of animals and musical instruments, finally pulling out their mouth organs and going to town. The next number, a grown-up male quartet, two of whose members were born mimics, threw in low comedy that convulsed the audience. But what harmony!

"Happy am I!" shouted the Elder, springing into the arena, a thousand shining, happy, laughing eyes looking up at him. "When the Devil comes, folks, just yell out, no matter where you are, 'I got you on the run, Satan!' The Devil ain't no reformer, but a trans-former. You never recognize him, for he never comes as the Devil. He comes as your good friend, my precious ones! He can sing like a mocking bird!" ("Yea! Yea! . . . Amen!" they yell.) "I don't care how wise you are, brother, if you're a sinner, you are a fool! The Devil started the sin business, so those who sin are in business with the Devil, my brethern!"

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The Amazing Rise of Father Coughlin

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at any time. With the nationalization of gold accomplished, Father Coughlin has taken up the cudgels in his recent broadcasts for the nationalization of banking and credit.

Such a move would be considered by many highly socialistic. Yet he has been careful in recommending it to damn both socialism and capitalism in the same breath, dubbing them "Siamese twins—systems which both ask for more work when it is more leisure that we need."

He evidently has in mind something of the Roosevelt idea, which he says might be termed either State capitalism or socialized capitalism.

THERE is much speculation as to what Father Coughlin will do next. He himself has said that some day he intends to retire to a monastery and devote the end of his days to meditation and study. That time, however, would seem to be far away.

It has been rumored that within a few months he will forsake the radio and his pulpit at the Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak to accept an important office with the Administration in Washington.

Such a development appears doubtful. He has remained throughout first and foremost a priest, speaking with the sanction of his bishop. His career has been bound up with the microphone. The eloquence of his Irish brogue, going ringing out over the air waves, his gift for reaching masses of listeners with the complicated subjects of the moment turned into understandable and beguiling phrase, has won him his huge following. It seems dubious that he would abandon that following at a time when it was never larger, never following more closely on his words. He may take a vacation from the air this summer as he has done before, but chances are that if he does leave for a time, the fall will find him back on his old four o'clock Sunday afternoon spot, belaboring such adversaries as the rapidly changing course of events brings up over the horizon.

AFTER a full of several weeks during which he devoted himself to such comparatively tame generalities as capitalism and socialism, Father Coughlin, in his latest sermon before this article went to press, once more plunged recklessly into the hot water of controversy.

In an effort to enlist mass support for his "nationalization of credit" theory, he addressed himself directly to veterans and urged that they agitate for such a scheme as one means of insuring payment of the bonus.

Doing so, he reiterated his belief, stated some time back, that the bonus should be paid.

At the time he spoke, the question of bonus payment was scheduled to come up for a vote shortly on the floor of Congress. Ex-service men were hard at work circulating thousands of petitions asking that the bonus be paid immediately.

The whole troublesome question, once shoved into the background, promised to flare out again. Once more Father Coughlin, with his keen sense for news had anticipated the trend of public interest.

But how does Father Coughlin reconcile his advocacy of the bonus payment, the extreme inflationary measure of his "nationalization of credit" plan, with his avowed endorsement of President Roosevelt's middle course, opposing both such moves? Will he be forced to break with the President's policies as time goes on? Or will he go along with public opinion if the bonus payment is defeated as it very likely will be, and extreme inflation is abandoned as unsound while prosperity returns?

These are questions that cannot be answered now. The pace of events is far too swift. But whatever course he takes with his huge following gained through the magic of the microphone, he is now a force in public life to be reckoned with. Other men may surpass him in logic, in soundness of judgment, but none is able to couch his thoughts in terms that carry so much appeal to the mind of the average man. Wisely or foolishly, it is to such that the masses look in times of stress for leadership.

Driving on with that inexhaustible energy which his classmates remarked even in college days, going for days without sleep, smoking endless cigarettes while he paces the floor, shaping his ideas into phrases of fire, Father Coughlin continues his crusades.

What his future will be no one can say. But whether you are for him or "agin" him, he remains the most powerful private man in public life today, and one of the most interesting.

Tuneful Topics

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but required repetition. Such is his score from *Roberta*, and all of them are lovely and grow on the listener.

The Touch Of Your Hand, You're Delectable, I'll Be Hard To Handle, all are extremely popular with bands and the public. Once again—a salute to Jerome Kern, and to an able lyric writer who has been writing for many years—Otto Harbach.

THE RKO picture, *Flying Down To Rio*, most of which takes place in airports or in the air, gives the talents of

one of the directors of my picture, George White's *Scandals*, Mr. Thornton Freeland, a chance for much fantasy and creative effort. The music is by two of our most able writers, Vincent Youmans and Gus Kahn. Although the three songs, *Flying Down To Rio*, *Orchids In The Moonlight* and *Carioca* are all introduced in the picture, and fairly popular by this time, it is *Carioca*, and the dance in the picture, which is the most outstanding. Already our dancers are doing the *Carioca* in the native manner, with the foreheads touching.

When I received the sheet music of

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Let's Fall In Love, I should have been impressed at once by the fact that it was written by Harold Arlen and Ted Koehler, who always do an excellent job of composition. This, however, was their first delving into the field of writing for pictures, and their first really melodic composition. Every composition they have written, such as *Minnie The Moocher*, *Between The Devil And The Deep Blue Sea*, *Hitting The Bottle*, etc., have been rhythmic and essentially designed for colored dancers and dance ensembles to strut. I knew the boys would not fail regardless of the fact that they were in a new field, but it was not until after seeing a preview of *Let's Fall In Love* that I realized how well they had done their job.

Both *Let's Fall In Love* and *Love Is Love Anywhere* are beautifully written, beautifully played and performed throughout the picture, as those of you who have witnessed this picture will, I am sure, agree.

Everything I Have Is Yours is one of the songs from *Dancing Lady*, with Joan Crawford, Clark Gable, Franchot Tone and Fred Astaire. We were fortunate enough to have included this song on one of our Victor recordings, and it is now, with *Old Spinning Wheel* and *Smoke Gets In Your Eyes*, one of the outstanding songs of the day. Bing Crosby does a beautiful job of the song, which is published by Robbins, Inc., and written by two musical comedy writers, Harold Adamson and Burton Lane.

WHAT would a song list be without a waltz? Rather than air my oft-repeated views on the advisability of playing and singing waltzes, I will simply say that *You Have Taken My Heart* is one of the loveliest melodies that has come my way in a long time. The Brunswick recording of it by the Casa Loma Orchestra with Kenny Sargeant's vocal is a gem. In fact, The Casa Loma recording is something that any band might well keep as a pattern.

Beyond saying that it is the sort of waltz that is the answer to an orchestra leader's prayer, I rest my case. Wayne King will literally eat it up.

Two of Leo Feist's current songs are certainly worthy of mention, *One Minute To One* and *Throw Another Log On The Fire*. The latter has a bit of the quality of *When You And I Were Young, Maggie*—the old-fashioned type of song—which was what the writers wished they might convey in its melody and lyrics.

The other tune—*One Minute To One*—is a typical popular song by two of the best in the business—Freddie Coots and Sam Lewis—one that I wished I had played earlier. Now it has been so much over-played that I am afraid it is one of those tunes for whose popularity I will take no credit whatsoever.

My good friend, Eddie Cantor, finally did finish *Roman Scandals*, the picture that was so long in production. Messrs. Dubin and Warren, borrowed from Warner Bros., contributed three excellent songs; two of them, *Keep Young And Beautiful* and *Build A Little Home* were admirably done by Mr. Cantor. I do believe that Ruth Etting would be the only person who would sing *No More Love*, and it was not entirely due to her clear-cut rendition of this unhappy and somewhat maudlin type of song that it was the outstanding one of the three. It incidentally has more depth and beauty than the other two mentioned, which were designed more or less for Mr. Cantor's cavortings.

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on account of he is on his way to New Jersey for dinner with his wife and baby. Whenever he isn't here I'm both of us. Come on in. I'm just working up an idea for next Thursday's broadcast. You will excuse me for a little while?"

The typewriter keys started clicking and I glanced around.

I might have known it!

So close that I could have reached out and knocked them from the shelves of the built-in bookcases, were working models of the comedy team's famous coo-coo inventions.

"How does this idea sound?" The Colonel interrupted his own typing. "Budd and I will start a campaign for a dictatorship in this country. Our slogan will be 'Dic-nagel for Stoop-tator.' Pretty peachy, isn't it?"

"Sure, but what kind of a campaign will you have?"

"We'll have a whispering campaign," he said gravely, "and start rumors for people; sort of a 'rumors for rent' idea."

THE living room is enormous. Bookshelves line the walls on either side of the fireplace. A gigantic bay window overlooks a garden.

"Here is my game room," he gestured, rising from his work. "All work and no games would make the Colonel and Budd poor bridge players."

And what a game room!

The walls are covered with cartoons and drawings, all drawn and painted by the Colonel. "I worked here last night until after midnight putting the finishing touches on Jiggs. He's goody prett—I mean, pretty good, don't you think?"

Then he told me of his early desires to be a cartoonist. "I've always wanted to draw for the magazines and newspapers," he said soberly.

"Would you draw some for this

article, say of yourself and Budd, Mr. Bopp, his wife, Quaintface, Hezey and Newton?"

"Would I? Yea Boy! What Fun!"

There was a scampering for drawing materials as the Colonel explained that *RADIOLAND* would be the first to publish pictures of any of the characters the team use in their air-sketches.

"Where do you get the funny ideas you use in your broadcast?"

"WE GET most of our sketches by taking the pomp and ceremony out of events and people who put up false fronts," he replied, pausing to sharpen his pencil. "When anyone is a starched shirt we get out the old de-starching machine and have some fun with him. Some times we glorify the little known man of industry, like the chap who puts the third bend in hair-pins."

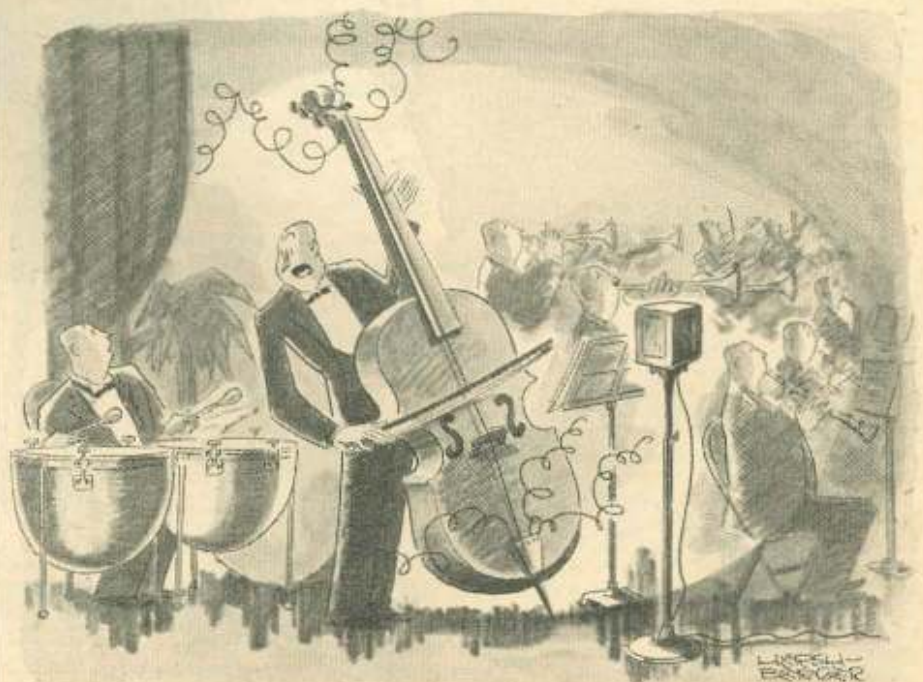
"Now please, Mr. Stoopnagle, give me a definition of what is fun—"

"Well, here they are, all finished and everything." He held up the drawings. "I shall surely look forward to seeing them in the magazine and I hope you will tell all our listeners, both old and new, 'hello' for Budd and myself. Good-bye."

His arm was under mine and I was already at the door, clutching the drawings in one hand, hat in the other, while my unwilling feet dragged the carpet.

"But you were going to give me your definition of 'what is funny.' That is what I came after."

"What's that? Oh yes, so I was. What is Funny? Mmmmm—You can tell the editor of *RADIOLAND* that—that—that Colonel stoopnagle and Budd are very funny, especially that prime old pipe organ player, Colonel Lemuel Q. Stoopnagle."



"If this piece doesn't end soon I'll have to stop playing!"

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A Letter from Rudy Vallee

Editor of **RADIOLAND**,

My dear Sir:

I would appreciate your publishing this letter in your next issue of **RADIOLAND**. It concerns the article titled "Rudy Vallee, Radio's Loneliest Star," which appeared in the March issue. There were two points in the last part of the article which I feel were not properly explained.

I was not annoyed that Rubinoff had decided to choose a manager other than the one I had selected for him (at his own request) to manage his tour. It was the fact that after becoming dissatisfied with the manager I recommended, without the courtesy of a phone call, he made a change and selected a second manager. The amazing fact, however, was that this second manager had flatly turned him down several years previously when I had attempted to interest him in the talents of Rubinoff! Why Rubinoff should put himself in the hands of one who had refused to see his talents before they were brought out is, to me, the unpardonable sin.

Likewise in the case of Miss Langford, I left her in the care of a young man who is today actively managing and piloting her in everything she does. I knew she was still under this young man's direction, but the same manager who turned down Rubinoff when I sent Rubinoff to him years previously, likewise turned down Miss Langford when I asked him to do something for her on the NBC network. This manager has been profiting by her present day development, a development in which he played no part whatsoever. When this same manager published in the theatrical publication, *Variety*, an ad in which he described himself as her manager, what else was I to believe but that such was the case? Still, I have never definitely stated that he does manage her. What I did state was that I had seen the ad in *Variety* and was surprised to see her name under his.

Technically he may not call himself her manager, but at least he is assisting in her bookings, and has very definitely taken a percentage of her earnings. His failure to see something in her when I first brought her to him cost me several hundreds of dollars by withholding her from Station WOR who wanted her services immediately, but he is glad enough today to be able to cash in on her to help pay his expenses!

I do not believe anyone knows better than I that there is always an explanation and another side of the story; obviously both sides cannot be perfectly righteous, but in most cases one side is nothing but a very empty and half-hearted explanation. I have generally found that although there may be extenuating circumstances, even to the point of using the caprice of the elements or things even more far removed as alibis and explanations, viz: that one side is far more just and right than the other, though of course there are still the two sides, the one much more right, and the other leaning toward a wrong.

Perhaps the safest rule of all to follow is an old one: "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

Sincerely, **RUDY VALLEE**.

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A Father Answers His Son

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apple for a good many years but I never have found any anatomist that could explain that freak movement of prominent Adam's apples like yours and mine.

Too young to understand, you say? Well, let me remind you of the time only a few months after this that I said to you one day: "Father, when you're sleepy and rub your eyes, where do all the little dots come from that you see dancing in front of you?" And you were sleepy at the time I asked the question. Do you remember what your reply was? I do. You told me that if I didn't get to bed you'd show me how to see stars without rubbing my eyes. So I went to bed!

Now, Father, I am past forty and I haven't had the answer to these last two questions yet. So, if you think I'm old enough, I'd like for you to tell me about the Adam's apple and the dots.

But I'd better get back to your letter.

"You spoke of our work in Henderson, Son, and referred to the fact that your Father used to punish you on general principles. Let me relate one of the 'general principles' to which you referred and then, as the Voice of Experience, tell me whether or not you deserved the sound thrashing I gave you.

"We were living in a house on Alves Street that belonged to Dr. Sallee, who later went to China as a missionary. You and Willie Macklyn had a pet cat that suddenly decided to take fits. I think you will recall that she would get into the pantry and turn somersaults to the top shelf and turn over many times before hitting the floor, and then she would dash in circles, stick her head in the corner and scratch for dear life.

"I am sure you remember the occasion when some little friends of yours came to the house and you wanted to show them your cat that had fits. You couldn't find her anywhere upstairs and so you went down in the dark basement, you, Willie Macklyn, and your friends, just after we had unpacked a lot of dishes and earthenware, and started looking among the barrels of excelsior for the cat.

"Do you remember that you were lighting matches and, evidently, you didn't pay attention to where one of them dropped because suddenly you and the whole gang made a hasty exit from the cellar, leaving behind you several barrels burning in close proximity to cans of kerosene and gasoline?

"Do you remember that when your Mother learned of the fire she tried to carry even the piano out of the house single-handed? And then, through no efforts of yours, the fire department arrived and put out the fire and, incidentally, chased a half-drowned cat out of the cellar, and when the excitement was all over, your Mother fainted?

"Now, Mr. Voice of Experience, after nearly burning the house down, endangering the cat that you were looking for to cremation, causing your Mother to strain herself to the point that she fainted, I admit that I put my whole heart into the matter of administering the proper kind of punishment that I thought was due under the circumstances.

"And yet you say that these punish-

ments were given on general principles. If that was general, I'd hate for you to get specific!

"But why drag out any more skeletons?

"You spoke of travelling with your Father during vacations and playing the piano and organ, but, Son, you didn't refer to the fact that we were using in these Gospel services a hymnal with three hundred and eleven hymns and you would go through a whole evangelistic campaign without opening a song book, playing every number from memory.

"Yes, you loved your music. And you loved the girls, too, and they were foolish about you. I haven't forgotten the capers you played."

I AM going to interrupt you a minute, Father, when you speak of capers, because here is an incident I'll bet you have forgotten, since it didn't mean as much to you as it did to me:

Do you remember the summer there at Liberty, Mo., that I decided I'd like to go for a few days and visit with a nice little girl that I had met up in the Northeastern part of the State the summer before? And when I approached you about the matter you said no, that you wouldn't go if you were I? Do you recall grandfather was visiting us then and although he was getting well along in years he hadn't forgotten his days of romance and he said to me, "Grandson, if I were you I'd go see my girl?"

And then you found my suit case with all my clothes in it that I had packed and hidden in my room and you even got the other suit that I was going to wear and put it in the suit case and hid the case away in under one of the eaves of the house—how you ever got it there I don't know!

I had a heavy heart as I looked for that suit case.

You see, I hadn't yet gotten a sense of values, but, evidently, neither had grandfather because he not only helped me to find the suit case but, you remember, he was sleeping with me and how he helped me out the window and I took a night freight to Kansas City rather than trust going down to one of the passenger trains. Yes, and he even financed the trip. You may recall that I didn't stay very long and got back in time to keep you from getting out of practice with the use of the switch.

But, to quote again from your letter, Father:

"Son, you spoke of your Father using the switch and suggesting that there might be a better way to punish children. Long, long ago, my Son, the wisest of men told us, 'To spare the rod is to spoil the child.' And no one wiser than Solomon has yet risen to teach us another way.

"I have reared six children and I am mighty proud of them all and when I think of the wonderful work that you are doing for humanity and I listen daily to your wise advice to troubled souls, I am well pleased with the results of my method in your rearing and if I had it all to do over again I would not make any change.

"I never whipped you in a fit of anger

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and if you remember we made definite appointments for these sessions."

Remember? How could I forget, Father? My appointment book was always full. And it's a good thing I didn't keep a diary!

But pardon me for interrupting your letter.

"No, Son, your Father knew something about boys before ever you were born. Remember, he was the oldest son of sixteen children, half of them boys, and your theories may be all right for those parents that whip their children in anger but I am very well satisfied with the results that I obtained in your case.

"Will you let me express through you to your many friends who remembered me in prayer at the time of my operation the heartfelt gratitude of myself, my wife, your brothers and sisters?"

"Speaking of prayer, Son, the radio somehow reminds me of prayer. For example, you speak in New York City every day and the instant that the word leaves your mouth, although several thousand miles separate us, I am able to hear you instantaneously and just as your earthly Father hears you, so I be-

lieve that those of us who are able to tune-in on the ear of Jehovah not only make Him hear but as I am replying to your broadcast to me He in turn answers the prayers of His children—not perhaps in the way we would have them answered because not always, you know, does a child know what to ask for of its earthly parent and certainly God would not be omniscient if He were to answer the appeals based on ignorance or selfishness of mortals.

"But here I'll start preaching again and I'm supposed to be a retired minister. But I do want your many friends to know how deeply grateful I am for their interest in my boy and the members of his family and not only you but your radio audience are carried to the Throne of Grace in my prayers."

And signed, "Affectionately, Father."

Do you wonder that I love that man, my friends? I am apologizing, Father, for having called you aged. That doesn't come from an aged pen, that letter, and as I soliloquized on its contents I'll tell you it recalled to me many happy incidents even though they did end in a little "convention" where you wielded the gavel and I seconded the motions.

Burns & Allen Take the Witness Stand

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GEORGE: No! No! Gracie. Hobby not hubby. Something you play.

GRACIE: Oh I know—the races!

GEORGE: I guess I'll have to answer that one. Mine is playing golf. I play the worst golf of anybody in our block because I play more of it. Gracie's hobby is reading. Give her a book and she's happy. In fact I'm always giving her a book because I like to see her happy.

Which one of you is the boss?

GEORGE: Well, I like to think I am. But I am really the nit-wit offstage and Gracie is the smart one, so lots of times I do as she says because she really knows best.

Who is your favorite screen actor?

GRACIE: I really can't make up my mind between Bing Crosby and Jimmy Durante. I think they're both so handsome, don't you?

Do you have any children?

GRACIE: No. George thinks I am just a child and he thinks having one child around the house at a time is enough.

Where can fan mail be sent?

GEORGE: Fan mail can be sent in care of the Columbia Broadcasting System, 485 Madison Avenue, New York.

GRACIE: Then the Columbia Broadcasting System sends it on to us and we send our fan mail back to them and everybody's happy.

GEORGE: Gracie! Will you please—

Do you always agree?

GRACIE: Yes, George thinks I'm dumb and I think I'm smart, too, so we agree on that and a whole lot of other things except whether George is a good golf player or not.

MAY, 1934

Where were you born?

GEORGE: I was born in New York and Gracie was born in San Francisco, although San Francisco won't admit it. We decided to meet each other half way, so we got together in vaudeville one night in Union Hill, New Jersey.

How do you get so many jokes and still not use old ones?

GEORGE: Because we don't rely on strictly gag material. Gracie can just babble on forever. It is the way she says things that gets the laughs as much as what she says.

Does Gracie Allen really speak on the radio in her natural voice?

GRACIE: Oh, yes indeed. That is my natural voice. I have an artificial bass voice too. But I only use it at dinner parties and on policemen.

What are your ages?

GRACIE: We will never see twenty again, but we haven't seen thirty-five yet.

Will you ever visit Baltimore, Maryland?

GRACIE: Maybe. But we think Baltimore ought to visit us first.

What is Gracie's height and weight?

GRACIE: I am five feet tall on a clear day, weigh one hundred pounds before meals and one hundred and ten pounds afterwards.

Do you answer your fan mail?

GRACIE: Yes. As much as possible. George types the letters and I sign them with an X.

Did you ever find your brother?

GRACIE: Yes, but he got away again. That reminds me—please excuse us, we've got to go look for him right now.

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Back Home—But Not Broke

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called in to prescribe some tonic for this nostalgia, he would have advised David City, Nebraska, in large doses.

Is it any wonder, then, that before many days had passed, Ruth was riding on a fast train bound for home, before coming East to take up her radio work on the Columbia Broadcasting System? This detour meant to Ruth a few days of peace and relaxation and a chance to "get away from it all."

RUTH had vividly remembered David City as she had left it, twelve long years back, to seek her career in Chicago. The town had but one thoroughfare, a church, a school and the traditional town hall. The farmers hardly left their places during the cold spell because they were snow-bound. Those who lived in the town proper, found entertainment at the weekly church dance, an occasional motion picture and the meagre gossip of the townsfolk. It was this arid existence that lit the torch of Ruth's ambition.

Once in Chicago her money soon ran out, even though she roomed at the Y. W. C. A. Finally she secured a job in a cheap cabaret, which employed stalwart bouncers to evict drunks who annoyed the entertainers. In the daytime, she studied art, in the event that her voice should ever fail her. An opportunity came to sing *What Can I Say Dear, After I Say I'm Sorry* through the magic of the microphone, and booking agents soon started to look up this fresh-looking youngster who sang so humanly, so warmly and so clearly. Then came a part in the *Ziegfeld Follies* and a radio program that flashed her name from coast to coast. Ruth Etting took her place in the Radio Hall of Fame with the other celebrities.

If Ruth was seeking peace when she went back to David City, she would have been better off camping right in the middle of Times Square.

What the radio has done for Ruth, it has done for her home town, she discovered. They know almost as much about auditions, sponsors, Winchell, networks, mikes, as the most experienced executives at our major studios.

Neighbors came in droves to see this glowing representative of their town. The tiny police force (Lem Squires and Cal Jones) had all they could do to handle them. Ruth was smothered under a barrage of questions.

What did Kate Smith look like? Did the Mills Brothers really and truly imitate all those instruments? Is the food good at Lindy's? Is James Melton that-a-way about Annette Henshaw? Will Mary-Lou marry Lanny? During this onslaught of questions, the radio was going full blast.

BETWEEN breathing spaces, Ruth managed to find out some interesting things about Nebraska's reaction to the radio. They seemed to like best, Ruth, Eddie Cantor, Kate Smith and Jack Pearl. But first on their list, was one mysterious performer known only as *The Singing Milkman*. Ruth later learned that he broadcasts only in her native state, and is somewhat on the style of Singing Sam and Smiling Ed

McConnell. Ruth retired on the first night of her alleged rest-cure, a very weary young woman.

Next morning, Ruth sneaked out the back door, to re-visit the scenes of her childhood. The old Elax mill was still running, the same as it has been for four decades. It was her grandfather Elax who founded the town and established its first granary.

She then proceeded to the general store, where the town's centenarians bided their time. She questioned these old sages about her former friends. She discovered that the boy who used to give her an apple a day is now a prominent lawyer in Omaha.

She passed the little red school house, actually, a modern structure of red brick. Thank heavens, she sighed, with relief, it still looked the same. On closer examination, she heard the pupils singing a song that had never been taught when she went there. It was: *Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Wolf?*

Ruth was slowly beginning to realize that the radio had changed David City as much as it had her. She had luncheon with her uncles. Her parents had passed away before she reached the age of five. One is hizzoner, the mayor, and the other president of the town's bank.

On the night before Christmas, Ruth experienced another startling change in the daily pattern of the little village. Of course the glimmering trees were sparkling brighter than ever, as she had pictured them, that sultry day in her dressing room in Hollywood. But the children were being sent off to bed, much against their wishes. No, it wasn't because they wanted to wait up for Santa. It just so happened that their favorite air comedian hadn't made his ether appearance yet, and they were patiently awaiting his arrival!

WHEN we met Ruth upon her return to New York, she didn't seem at all upset by the revelations she had witnessed.

"I'm glad," she remarked, "that the place had changed. Those poor farmers who were snowed in year after year hadn't a single diversion on those long wintry nights. The radio has brought them the world's greatest entertainers every night in the week. They love it and they're real fans."

Now when Ruth sings on the air she always includes one old number for the folks back home. She always thinks of these people when she's planning her programs; for to use her own words, "They are the most representative radio listeners in America."

So when Ruth went to the opening of *Roman Scandals* on Broadway there were not only telegrams from such celebrities as Bing Crosby, Harry Richman, and Eddie himself, but from her well-wishers in David City.

She'll never forget the wire she received from old Uncle Zeke. After seventy years of plowing the rich soil, doing the same things, day in and day out, the radio gave him a new hobby; taught him a new language. His telegram read:

"Ruthie, I hope ya knock'em dead!"
—And, needless to report, Ruthie did.

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You've Got to Believe Him

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is of hardy American stock; his grandparents crossed the plains in pioneer days. His mother was born in a covered wagon.

At fourteen, he submitted a drawing of a girl bending over a washtub, the caption reading "The Village Belle Was Slowly Wringing." Life paid him eight dollars for it. That clinched the matter.

He got a job with the San Francisco Chronicle, at six dollars per, doing sport cartoons. Several years passed, but always he thought of baseball. When-ever he could, he was at the field.

Reversing Horace Greeley's advice, young Ripley decided to go East. There, he felt, lay his future in baseball. After his tragic accident, he worked for several New York newspapers, finally joining the Hearst organization, with whom he is still under contract.

The Believe-it-or-Not Man has published two volumes of his queeriosities.

After his first book was published, he was asked to broadcast. He spoke on the Collier Hour, and started something right away. He said that if all the Chinese in the world were to march four abreast past a given point, they would never finish passing, though they marched forever and ever. Hundreds disputed his statement, but he convinced them that he was right. If U. S. Army regulations were followed, 26,280,000 Chinese would pass a given point each year. Assuming that the birth rate of Chinese is ten per cent, and that half of the children die before they can walk, there would be 30,000,000 new marchers each year to replace the 26,280,000 who passed the given point. And so they could march on forever.

So popular were his radio talks, that he was asked to inaugurate a new series over the NBC networks every Saturday night, as a feature of B. A. Rolfe and

his Terraplane Orchestra—three-minute dramas based upon his interesting stories of strange people and happenings.

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The Believe-it-or-not man discovered that the word radio is not new; it goes back 3,000 years into the archives of ancient history. He was the first person to broadcast from mid-ocean. And he has come over the air from more distant spots than any other speaker. London, Buenos Aires, Australia, just to mention a few. As a result of his broadcast from Schenectady to Sydney, Australia, he started on a 10,000 mile journey to keep a blind date with a girl he had never seen!

It happened like this: Miss Irene Sterlitz participated in the two-way broadcast between the two countries. After the program was over, Ripley and Miss Sterlitz continued their conversation just for the fun of it. She asked him why he didn't visit Australia and he said, "Why, I will, within the next year." And he did.

His strange stories inspire his fans to try to go him one better. I asked him what was the most unusual fan mail he'd ever received. "I think it was the 47-word message I got, with the address written on the back of a two-cent stamp, which was mailed from San Francisco, believe it or not, without an envelope."

He told me about another funny one. It came from Brooklyn, and the writer asked Ripley's permission to witness one of his broadcasts in this fashion: "My wife and myself have always been interested in unusual things. We haven't missed a circus in the last thirty years. We have a peculiar fascination for curiosities, freaks, etc.; and now we should like to see you, Mr. Ripley."

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Tidbits Served by the Smart Hostess

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always informally served. For small groups an assortment is arranged on a tray or large platter or on a two- or three-tier china, silver or chromium tidbit stand, and is passed after the drinks have been served.

In any assortment of tidbits, fish always appears at least once. The simplest covering is made from fish paste—lobster, anchovy, or sardine, which comes in tubes and is creamed before spreading with half the quantity of butter, and enlivened with a little lemon juice. Sometimes mayonnaise is added. If whole fish are used, such as anchovy fillets, curled anchovies, tiny boned sardines or *meras* (the fascinating little new fish from Java), the tidbit base is usually covered with a flavored butter, or equal parts of butter and cream cheese or mashed cooked egg yolk, or a cheese spread. Flavored butters may be made in advance and kept closely covered in the refrigerator for two or three weeks.

The most popular flavored butters for the making of tidbits are as follows:

- 1. Lemon Butter:** Beat a half pound of butter until creamy and gradually work in one and a half tablespoons of lemon juice and the grated rind of a fourth of a lemon.
- 2. Chives Butter:** Follow the recipe for Lemon Butter, adding a tablespoon of minced chives.
- 3. Ripe Olive Butter:** Stir a half pound of butter till creamy. Work in two tablespoons of pimiento, rubbed to a paste, and two tablespoons of stoned, minced ripe olives, pounded to a paste, together with a teaspoonful of Italian vinegar.
- 4. Lobster Butter:** This should be made the day it is used. Stir a half pound of butter until creamy with a third cup of mashed lobster meat, two teaspoons of lemon juice, a tablespoon of water and one-fourth teaspoon paprika.

Caviar is usually served on a plain bread or cracker base with a thin butter spreading; half of the *canapé* is often covered with chopped hard cooked egg, which may or may not be mixed with a little chopped pickled onion or minced chives. *Pâte de foie gras*, plain or with truffles, and devilled Smithfield ham are used plain.

A few *canapé* combinations popular in New York are prepared as follows:

- 1. Spread** crisp crackers or thin toast with a mixture of equal parts of butter, peanut butter, minced cooked bacon and chopped olives.
- 2. Spread** crisp crackers or toast with finely minced tuna fish moistened with mayonnaise and held together with a little creamed butter. Decorate with strips of pimiento and hard cooked egg.
- 3. Spread** very small crisp crackers with butter stirred till creamy with hard cooked egg yolk, a little lemon juice and minced green pepper. Decorate each with a single *meras*.

All *canapés* should be sparingly decorated with bits of parsley, cress, sliced olives, pickle, hard-cooked egg, radish or carrot, or very small borders or rosettes of stiff mayonnaise, or a flavored butter, applied by means of a pastry tube.

Appetit bröchen, as served in Vienna are a simpler form of tidbit much liked by men. The base is usually pumper-

nickel or dark rye bread, cut in finger lengths; crusts are always removed. The bread is spread evenly with butter stirred to a cream, and paper-thin slices of cooked tongue, ham, chicken, turkey, smoked salmon or sturgeon are then fitted neatly on. They are sometimes decorated with thin strips of green pepper and pimientos, olives, pickles or with narrow borders of some flavored butter.

The American counterpart of *appetit bröchen* is the pinwheel sandwich. It may be served plain or toasted. Pinwheel sandwiches are made with a basis of very fresh white bread. Purchase a sandwich loaf, if possible. Cut off all the crusts and slice the bread lengthwise in five layers. Spread these thickly and completely to the edge with the desired filling. Then roll as tightly as possible and wrap snugly in waxed paper. Chill in the refrigerator. Just before serving, slice crosswise like a jelly roll into pinwheels. Here are some suitable fillings:

- 1. Pâte de foie gras** with or without truffles mixed with an equal quantity of creamed butter.
- 2. Devilled ham** mixed with twice the quantity of creamed butter and a little pickle relish.
- 3. Cream cheese** mixed with one-third the quantity of creamed butter and chopped olives to taste. Shredded sardines or salmon or anchovy paste may be added to this mixture.

Two other interesting tidbits are stuffed roll slices and toasted pimiento rolls.

Stuffed Roll Slices

Purchase very fresh crisp dinner rolls, long with rounded tops. Make an incision at each end and pull out the soft portion. Pack with a mixture of cream cheese and butter stirred until creamy, enlivened with minced nuts and olives or devilled Smithfield ham; chill the rolls. To serve, quarter cut in slices.

Toasted Pimiento Rolls

Remove the crusts from a loaf of fresh bread and slice thin. Spread 'way to the edge with pimiento cheese mixed with a little butter stirred till creamy. Roll up like a jelly roll, and chill. Just before serving, toast slowly. The cheese melts and the edge of the bread stands up in a most fascinating way. Serve hot.

Another cheese tidbit high in favor at present is the home-baked cheese turnover. To make, prepare rich pastry. Roll it to one-eighth inch in thickness and cut in four-inch squares. On a half of each square place a thin slice of highly flavored cheese; fold the pastry over this in turnover fashion, first moistening the edges. Dot with butter and dust with paprika. Bake twelve minutes in a hot oven and serve at once.

Almost any trayful of assorted tidbits today includes cocktail sausages and broiled bacon-olives. These cocktail sausages should be broiled, not fried, to avoid greasiness. Each one is stuck on a toothpick and placed upon a plate. Each guest helps himself, using the toothpicks as handles. The sausages should be hot.

Broiled bacon-olives are easily made by wrapping very large stuffed olives in thin slices of bacon and fastening them in place with toothpicks. They are then broiled and served hot.

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Drapes for Spring Sunshine

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SMALL, crowded rooms need draperies of plain fabrics with simple, narrow valances (if any), that hang preferably to the floor to give height. If the view is unpleasant, sheer rayon glass curtains may be used, for they are almost opaque in texture and color, let in the light and at the same time hide the view.

A dingy room needs bright draperies, of figured material if the walls are plain; of plain material if they are figured.

If draperies are to take the place of window shades, they must be made of a fairly heavy fabric, lined with a matching plain or contrasting fabric, preferably hung to the floor and so adjusted that they can be drawn across the windows with cords and pulls that come for the purpose.

If, on the other hand, the draperies are designed merely to frame the windows they are surmounted by a valance or horizontal strip of cloth at the top of the window—or the line of color maybe carried across by slipping a shirred casing of the material over the rod. Valances are made in two ways. There is the so-called valance, never more than twelve inches wide and often so narrow it is a mere ruffle, that hangs between the curtain lengths on the same rod. This should be used only in very informal rooms. The true valance hangs from a separate rod outside of the hangings, or from a valance board several inches above the window.

THE greatest care should be exercised in measuring for drapery materials. For glass curtains, measure from the top of the inside of the window to the sill and add five inches for hems and

shrinkage (If the material has not already been pre-shrunk by the manufacturer, a tuck should be taken at the top under the casing to allow for shrinkage.) To estimate the correct width for glass curtains, measure across the inside of the frame and allow three-fourths as much again for fullness.

As drapes should always be hung from the top edge of the woodwork above the window, measure from the topmost moulding to six inches below the sill (for sill length drapes) or to the floor, adding the length needed for hems and draping. Most fabrics can be hung full width.

FOR drapes, cretonnes, plain and glazed, chintzes, poplin, damask, linens, plain and blocked, Fortuny prints and a wide selection of rayon fabrics are being shown. For glass curtains, mesh or sparingly figured or square meshed fishnet, fine net, rayon and celanese materials are being shown in white, ivory, ecru and in colors. There are new wide mesh laces which are fascinating for complete window drapes. They come in shimmering gold with beautifully designed borders, as well as in gold and copper and in a brilliant beige. Before purchasing material for glass curtains be sure to hold it up and look at it against the light. It is amazing how the color disappears.

Plain, flowered or colored organdy, dimity, voile, marquisette and theatrical gauze are still suited to informal rooms where an effect of airiness is needed. Ruffled curtains should be used only in bedrooms or in living and dining rooms of very simple homes and summer cottages.

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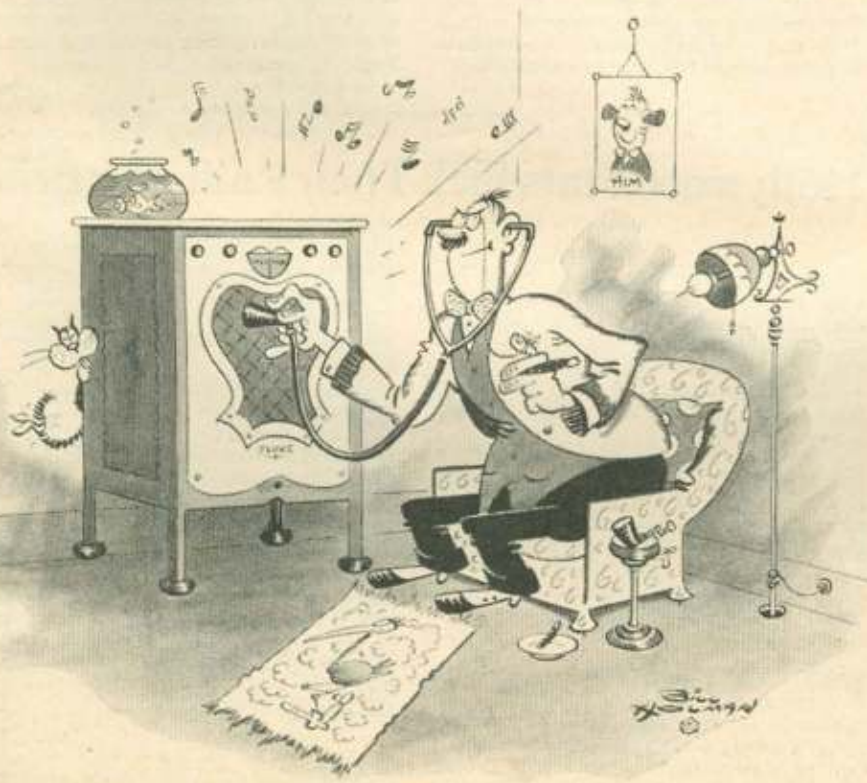
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Will You Be One of Radio's Future Greats?

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as a program must, of necessity, be stimulating to the imagination. It must rouse your audience; it must interest them, stimulate them, and, if possible, keep them stirred up. Excitement, as such, is not necessary but the stirring up of the emotions must be sufficient to give them a pleasurable feeling.

Too many persons on the air at the present time either *under-emphasize* what they have to say, or the song they sing, or they go to the other extreme and *over-emphasize*.

For practice, I would suggest to any man or woman contemplating a radio career that he rig up a fake microphone and pretend he is broadcasting for fifteen minutes several times each day. For this it is best to select a small room which is as sound-proof as possible. The hanging of heavy draperies does very well in creating the atmosphere and "feel" of the average broadcasting studio.

WHAT bothers people the most when they have an audition, and makes them nervous and self-conscious, is not so much that one or more people are listening in on their performance, but rather that they are hearing the sound of their own voice in an unaccustomed situation.

Therefore try to become accustomed to the sound of your own voice. Learn how to talk *naturally*, in a conversational tone, while turned toward your home-made microphone. The tendency at first always is to talk too loud. Simply imagine that only one person is hearing what you say and that, although you cannot see him, he is really near at hand. Make your talk to him intimate and chummy. Accomplish this and you will have conquered that "mike" fright we hear so much about.

Another thing to remember is that radio talking or singing carries with it clear and distinct articulation. Practice in enunciation is therefore essential.

At first this must needs be exaggerated and it will sound artificial and stilted. But after a while you will be able to talk so that every syllable is distinctly heard, even the ends of sentences, and without seeming effort.

Lastly, when you practice talking before your home microphone do not attempt to do it extemporaneously but always read typewritten pages or from a book.

Studios, with only occasional exceptions, insist that scripts be read. This naturally is necessary for timing so that your particular program will neither run too long nor too short. The clock and radio time are enemies. Practice timing your talk to five, ten or thirteen minutes. Thirteen is the limit so as to allow one minute at the beginning and one minute at the end of a program for the announcer who introduces you and for station or advertising messages.

And frankly, that's about all there is to radio!

TO BE sure, one must consider the script. This is as important to the radio star as is the play to the actor. But just as a good actor can perfect a poor play by the way he acts, so can a radio performer, with a real voice personality, bring a poor script to perfection.

As for scripts, try to get hold of, or write yourself, something brand new if you would be a radio star in the future. Don't imitate; don't be satisfied to tread the already beaten path. Allow your ingenuity free play; think up novel ideas; don't be afraid to let your imagination run riot.

Radio needs new blood to keep it vitalized. In another ten years, perhaps even in five, we will look back upon present day radio entertainment as amateurish. It was so with the movies and it will doubtless be so with broadcasting.

Hollywood Stars Pick Their Radio Favorites

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Loretta Young goes in a great big way for the philharmonic orchestras, she doesn't care which, but she also likes Phil Baker and his accordion on the *Armour* program.

"I like good music, I don't care what kind, just so it isn't jazz," admits Loretta.

Eddie Lowe admits that he can even forget his wife, Lilyan Tashman, when the deep tones of the pipe organ begin to thunder in on his set. He goes for the philharmonic stuff too but doesn't think that any of the comic programs are good. A serious chap, off screen, is Eddie and no foolishness comes out of his radio.

FAY WRAY gets relief from *King Kong* and all her other horror rôles by tuning in on Ray Page and his Merry-makers while Ralph Bellamy is still a fan of Amos 'n' Andy. Sally Blane likes Russ Colombo's voice best and you know why. Jimmie Dunn keeps his

radio quiet at all times unless there's a news broadcast or a fight on. Lee Tracy likes the news programs too, Edwin C. Hill and Walter Winchell. Carole Lombard prefers Donald Novis to anyone else, while Gary Cooper likes to hear Ed Wynn.

Nearly every star in Hollywood is a radio fan, but many of them refuse to admit any special favorite. Such programs as that of the *Blue Ribbon* program with Ben Bernie, the old maestro, the *Maxwell House Showboat* hour, and Olsen and Johnson on the *Swift Revue* get many of Hollywood's most rabid fans when they come on. Wayne King, Guy Lombardo and his *Royal Canadians*, Isham Jones orchestra and Ted Fiorito as well as Gus Arnheim are favorite dance programs. Among the comics, Benny Rubin, Jack Pearl and Ed Wynn appear to lead. Scores of the more sophisticated listen to Edwin C. Hill and to Alexander Woolcott.

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They Dubbed Him Knight

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added a new *Cuckoo* Program, sponsored by the A. C. Spark Plug Company. The *Cuckoos* have been on the air with few interruptions for over four years and have a tremendous following. The new *Cuckoo* Program will be written, directed and also "m. c. ed" by Ray.

PERHAPS one might feel that so much work and no play would make Ray a dull boy. But in spite of his enormous industry, Ray Knight always finds time to play just as wholeheartedly as he works. He is an excellent mixer, whether we refer to drinks or to people. He loves to have people around him. He derives much enjoyment from the theatre and is a devoted follower of the opera.

Ray is in his early thirties and is married. His writing habits are a continual source of amazement to his wife, who is no mean scribe herself. She says Ray can write at any time of the day or night, and under the most trying conditions—for instance, stretched out on the sofa flat on his back and writing on a pad held over his head.

Writing seems as natural to Ray as breathing. He writes in pencil on lined yellow pads in a hand that is nothing short of deadly. As a sheet is completed, he tosses it to his secretary who is perhaps the only person in the world who can translate it. At times Ray has trouble deciphering it himself and has to call on her for help.

Raymond Knight was born in Salem, Massachusetts. He studied law at Boston University, and was later admitted to the Massachusetts Bar. Law did not hold the strong appeal for him that the theatre did, so he again became a student, but this time he studied drama at Harvard. He became a member of George Pierce Baker's famous 47 Workshop, and when Baker transferred his allegiance to Yale, Knight did likewise. Recognition came in 1927 when the Drama League awarded him their prize for the best one act play of the year. The play was called *Strings* and was adapted for radio in 1928 and broadcast by short wave to England.

RAY is a charming person to know and a great favorite around the studios. He never spares himself in the performance of a favor. I know of an instance where he spent not minutes, but hours, helping a page boy who aspired to become a continuity writer. (Incidentally, the page boy made the grade, and is now writing continuity.) Children love to work with him, because of his endless patience and good humor. He has the knack of keeping his cast in high spirits, and this cannot help but be reflected in their work.

Knight has two children of his own, who call him "Billy." This is perhaps the answer to the authenticity and human touch that has charmed parents all over the country in his *Billy Batchelor* sketches. His real children listen carefully to his dealings with his "air" children, and if he fails to practice what he preaches, they have him tied hand and foot!

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A Radio Freshman Speaks His Mind

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Stokowski and the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, both the advertiser and the radio have justified their entire existence.

ON THE other hand, there are places where the radio falls far short of what I should like to see it do. Whether it is because it is easier to put music on the air than drama, I do not know, but certainly radio drama is in no way comparable to radio music. In the production of dramatic scripts, radio has lagged behind, although it must be said that the scripts are now improving. It seems to me that, in the last analysis, what radio needs is great editors who would get excited and enthusiastic about new authors and playwrights for the air and who, when a new writer flashed across the horizon, would seek him out as eagerly as the moving pictures do now.

Let me be concrete. Two years ago a new figure rose to literary prominence. When Max Miller wrote *I Cover the Waterfront*—Max Miller, who had been merely a reporter on a small San Diego newspaper—the book was hailed as an event in the world of letters and Max Miller recognized as a new and significant interpreter of life. The moving pictures caught him up immediately. The radio didn't, but it should have.

I imagine the general belief in radio circles is that you have to know radio technique in order to write for the radio. You must, I think, know a great deal more than that. While technique is no doubt indispensable, the most important thing is to have a profound knowledge of men and women and a deep understanding of human reactions. It is the people who have these things who should be writing for the radio. The mechanical requirements of radio they can, it is certain, pick up without any difficulty, having learned far harder lessons.

I think that in this respect radio itself is being challenged. It has the power to reach millions of people, more than have ever been reached before. Has it the insight to give them those values of life which would broaden their horizons and increase their wisdom? Has it the penetration to see that the great writers and the great creative thinkers should form the backbone of the spoken word on the air? I except music, because it has proven itself intelligent and discriminating in that field. But aside from music, the gauntlet has been flung, and I think, in consideration of the remarkable progress the radio has made in the few years of its existence, that the challenge is going to be accepted.

The Editor's Opinion

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likely that there will be less dwindling away of the big name features than usual these coming months. A certain number of radio stars take the summer off to make movies and personal appearances here and there, but the seasonal exodus, though present in some degree, promises not to interfere seriously with the quality of the summer's radio fare.

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Hands Are Important

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the nails vigorously, following this with a generous application of oil or cream.

NAIL biting, unfortunately, is not confined to children. I receive numerous letters from grown-ups who are ruining, not only their nails but also their poise and self-respect by this ugly habit. Will-power, of course, is the foremost enemy of nail biting, but it can be fortified by painting the nails with tincture of aloes. The taste is so bitter that it quite cures you of any immediate desire to chew your finger-nails. Frequent manicures are also a great help. They leave no loose bits of cuticle or broken nails to tempt nibbling.

If you are an inveterate smoker, do be careful of your hands. There is nothing that robs a woman's hands of their charm as quickly as nicotine stains. If you object to using a holder—most people do—remove the stains regularly every other day or so with a reliable commercial nicotine remover. I know a very effective one, that costs only fifty cents a bottle. If you like, I'll send you the trade name.

NO MATTER how nicely manicured your nails are, they still never look lovely if your hands are rough, dry or freckled. If your hands are unsightly because you are forced to keep them in soapy water the greater part of the day, wear rubber gloves, as I advise brittle-nail sufferers. If you simply can't work in rubber gloves, use a mild soap for your dish washing and laundry work, and a water-softener, if the water is extremely alkaline. There are one or two brands of soap flakes on the market that are bland enough to be used on the face, so they can't harm the hands even when used several times a day.

Before going to bed each night, heap lots of good, rich tissue cream on your hands and massage it gently into the irritated skin. Keep up this massage for five minutes, then apply another layer of cream and don a pair of loose, soft white gloves. Wear them all night. Repeat this routine for five nights in succession and you'll be amazed at the improvement.

During the day it is absolutely essential that you use a good hand lotion every time you wash your hands or have occasion to put them in water. There are several good brands on the market, as well as two or three hand creams. My favorite, however, is a milky fluid that seems to leave the skin softer and whiter each time it is applied. It's extremely soothing, too. Just recently the rather old-fashioned bottle was modernized and this good old stand-by is now very perky and up-to-date in its brilliant red label and fluted bakelite cap. A fifty cent bottle seems to last for months. Want the name?

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Ans.—Jack Pearl is Jewish, thirty-eight and has been married for about eleven years. There aren't any children. Russ Colombo is still to be had.

Was it Muriel Wilson who took the part of Mary Lou on the Show Boat before Lanny Ross left for Hollywood.—*Mrs. M. E. G., Denver, Colorado.*

Ans.—Muriel Wilson formerly was Mary Lou but she left the Maxwell House Show Boat some time before Lanny went to the Coast.

What has become of Billie Jones and Earnie Hare? If they are on the air, kindly state when and from what station.—*Mrs. Y. Land, Usta, S. Dakota.*

Ans.—Billie Jones and Earnie Hare are the Tasty Loafers and can be heard every Monday, Wednesday and Friday evening at 8:15 p. m. They broadcast over the WOR network.

I would like to know how tall and what is the weight of Bing Crosby and also who is playing opposite in his new picture, *We're Not Dressing*.—*V. L., Omaha, Nebraska.*

Ans.—Bing is five feet nine inches tall and weighs one hundred and sixty-five pounds. Carole Lombard shares the honors with Bing in *We're Not Dressing*.

Please tell me how old Tiny Ruffner is. Is he married and if so to whom? What programs does he announce and what is his favorite recreation?—*E. Johnson, New York City.*

Ans.—Tiny Ruffner is in his very early thirties and has been married for a number of years. His wife is a former musical comedy star. Tiny announces on the Maxwell House Show Boat and his favorite game is bridge which he plays very well.

Will you please tell me on what day Rudy Vallée was born and where?—*E. M., Long Island.*

Ans.—Rudy Vallée made his entrance in Island Pond, Vermont on July 28, 1901.

How many people take part in the Myrt and Marge sketch? Also, do Myrt and Marge appear in any other radio program?—*Miss A. A., St. Louis.*

Ans.—Six people appear regularly in the Myrt & Marge sketch. This

is the only program in which Myrt and Marge partake.

What day, year and where was Annette Hanshaw born? What color eyes and hair and how tall is she?—*M. Apperman, Pa.*

Ans.—Annette was born in New York City on October 18, 1910. She is five feet three inches tall, has blonde hair and lovely violet blue eyes.

Will you please tell me when George Cohan was born?—*F. Howard, Brookline, Mass.*

Ans.—Perhaps, George M. Cohan can attribute his greatness to the fact that he made his first debut on July 4, a great day in American history. The year was 1878.

Will you give me a description of Donald Novis? Namely: weight, height and color of eyes and hair. I would also like to know what he is doing at present.—*T. E., Los Angeles, Calif.*

Ans.—Donald Novis is an attractive young man of twenty-six. He is five feet eight inches, weighs 150 lbs. and has blue eyes and blonde hair. He returns to the air in the featured spot of the Colgate House Party, Saturday nights at 9 over NBC-WEAF.



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Ans.—Lanny Ross is a bachelor and Billy Bachelor is married. Their relationships with their leading ladies are purely fictional.

Are Myrt and Marge mother and daughter in real life?—*C. Williams, Albany, Calif.*

Ans.—Yes. Myrtle Vail is the mother of Marge.

Would you kindly tell me how old Eddie Cantor is?—*B. Weeks, Battle Creek, Mich.*

Ans.—Eddie has just reached those dangerous forties. His birthday is January 31.

Will you please let me know the ages of Ozzie Nelson and Harriet Hilliard?—*H. B.*

Ans.—Both Ozzie and Harriet are in their twenties; Ozzie in the high numbers and Harriet in the low.

Please tell me the name of the organ selection used as a theme song in the program One Man's Family.—*M. G. D., Old Orchard Beach, Maine.*

Ans.—This charming number is *Destiny Waltz* composed by Baynes.

Who plays Pango on the Dangerous Paradise program?—*Kay, Long Island.*

Ans.—This part is played by Allyn Joslyn who also participates in the Warden Lawes and Radio Guild dramatic sketches.

To settle a wager will you kindly answer the following questions? Is Phil Harris married? If so, does he have any children?—*J. F. R., Los Angeles, Calif.*

Ans.—Phil is married to a very beautiful girl called Marcia Ralston who will be seen in the movies soon. They haven't any children.

Who plays the parts of: Nancy, Bill Davis, Kerry Donovan and David Ellis in the sketch Just Plain Bill?—*A. W. Brady.*

Ans.—Ruth Russell is Nancy; Arthur Hughes, Bill Davis; James Meighan, Kerry Donovan and Curtis Arnall, David Ellis.

Would you please print the names of the Five Spirits of Rhythm?—*Dick A., Corning, N. Y.*

Ans.—They are Leo Watson, Teddy Bunn, Douglas Daniels, Wilbur Daniels and Virgil Scogdins.



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