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# RADIO BUFFS....!

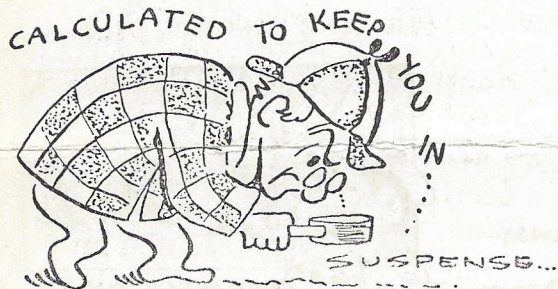
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A PERSONAL NOTE: Did you all listen to WAR OF THE WORLDS on Halloween night? Who heard the original broadcast? October was a busy month with more logs and convention activities... Responses are slow in coming for our mini-convention, Dec 4th. 30 people as of Nov 1st are coming. I hope, especially in the East, that more will send in their deposit right away and spread the word. Invitations have been sent to many people to come and speak. The only definite guests so far are Rosa Rio and Mrs. House Jameson. Collectors coming so far are D Brush, B Brown, G Dudash, F Dickey, R Fedor, R Hayes, P Huckel, N Kruskol, R Leeman, B Joseph, R Miller, C Parent, R Vito, B Witte, S Weiss, H Wrightington, G Younis. Many more have said they might come but I can only count the ones who have sent in at least a deposit. FLASH FLASH Just this minute I got a call from Sal Trapani who got a call from Bret Morrison in California. Bret Morrison confirmed an invitation and will be at the convention as one of our guests. Come on now. If he can come from California (I'M sure he has to be in this area anyway) some of you around the country can come. Let's have a good crowd to welcome our guests... DIRECTIONS: From I-91 and I-95. Take Exit 1-Downtown New Haven. Take first exit off ramp (Church-College St.) and continue straight for several lights. Take a right at Howe St. until the end. Take a left on Whalley and it is right there on your left. Parking is in back. From the Merritt Pkwy take exit 59 (Rt 63-69). Take a right off the ramp and continue, past a Holiday Inn on your left, for about 2-3 miles on Whalley Ave. It will be on your right (Whalley and Howe).

SUBSCRIPTIONS: I now have about 175 readers. Rates are now \$3.50 a year for 12 monthly issues sent first class. When your subscription is due you will be reminded 2 months.

PROGRAM TITLES AND DATES: There is a little confusion on my part on FU MANCHU. Please correct me if I am wrong. FU MANCHU was originally on the COLLIER HOUR and then had its own time period from 1932-33 for Campana on CBS on Mondays. None of this series is available. THE SHADOW of FU MANCHU was a syndicated series on in 1940. From March to September of 1940 it was on WMCA in New York, 3 times a week for 15 minutes. Over 70 of this series is available. Who plays Fu Manchu in the syndicated series?... I received a nice note from Frank Nelson who was on Jack Benny's program for many years. Frank has settled the date controversy. Jack Benny went off the air on 5/29/55. In November of 1956 through June of 1958 various programs were repeated. The Lucky Strike commercials were cut and for a while Home Insurance Company sponsored it as did State Farm. In 1956 Jack Benny did an original Christmas program with all of his gang. I know of no original program after that one. Probably the edited J Benny programs being circulated are from 1956-58.

DEATHS: Cesar Saerchinger, a pioneer in transatlantic radio broadcasting and a musicologist died at 86.

MAGAZINES AND PERIODICALS: What follows is a complete list of magazines devoted to vintage radio for collectors and traders:

ECHOES OF THE PAST: Don Fellow, 705 East Chandler, Evansville, Ind 47713; contributions; periodically.

EPILOG: George Jennings, 7605 Sandra Dr, Little Rock, Ark 72209. 40¢ periodically; (has new address now)???

HELLO AGAIN: Jay Hickerson, 6 Koczak Ct, North Haven, Conn 06473 \$3.50; monthly

RADIO DIAL: Charlie Ingersoll, Box 190, Cloquet, Minn 55720; \$5.00 a year; quarterly (Magazine of the Radio Historical Society of America)

STAY TUNED: Bob Joseph, 1250 La Baron Circle, Webster, NY 14580; \$4.00 a year; monthly.

HERO HOBBY: John Cooper, Rt 1 Box 371, Clarksburg, W Va 26301; \$3.00 a year; quarterly (partly about radio)

REMINISCING TIME: Eric Klarer, 3132 Buford Highway NE #A-2, Atlanta, Ga 30329; \$5.00 a year; 6 issues. (Partly about radio)

NOSTALGIA BOOK CLUB, 525 Main St, New Rochelle, NY 10801. For the handful of people who may not know about the club it offers books about all kinds of nostalgia only.

STAY TUNED and HELLO AGAIN are the monthly newsletters. Because Stay Tuned has between 20-30 pages each issue, if you have lengthy articles and you wish them printed in full it would be wise to send them to Bob Joseph. Bob, besides having items of current interest, has many long articles about radio and performers. Hello Again, because it is smaller concentrates on short articles and news of whats going on. Fortunately, as Bob told me himself, although there are similarities in content, there is a difference in the kinds of articles and news printed. A subscriber to both would get very little duplication of material.

BOOKS: Just off the press is Ma Perkins, Little Orphan Annie and Heigh Ho, Silver by Charles Stumpf. It is published by Carlton Press, Inc. for \$5.00. The book "is a happy account of the early days of radio broadcasting. A wealth of information about the early shows, the stars and the networks, with many behind-the-scenes anecdotes." You can write directly to Charles Stumpf for the book (C S, 722 N Laurel St, Hazelton, Penn 18201.) Many will be on sale at the convention. Charles Stumpf is an actor and has appeared in television (Misterogers Neighborhood).

RADIO GUIDES: Barry Brooks has most of the Radio Guides printed. He mentions: "Radio Guide started in 1931 and ended in 1943. Prior to 1931 there was Radio Digest which he also has. Following 1943 logs could be found in Radio Mirror. This came out monthly and lasted into the 60's"

CATALOGS: A brief description of listings received including trade and/or sell, # of programs, whether network and/or sponsor mentioned, highlights.. JACK FREEMAN, 503 3rd NE, Swift Current, Sask, Canada; trades, detailed, 1500, sponsor, no net, many BLACKSTONE, CREAKING DOOR, BBC, HAUNING HOUR. Herb Sadowski, 105-25 65th A, Forest Hills, NY 11375; trades and sells, list, 2-3 hundred, no net, spns; many RAILROAD HOUR. BOB McMULLEN, 5646 W 101st S, Oaklawn, Ill 60453; Suppl 2; 50 reels mentioned, no net, spons, many ESCAPE and other drama. Rev. FRANK GILMORE, box 396, Ash Grove, Mo 65604; Trades, list, several hundred, messages on list, no net, spons, alphabetical, many GUNSMOKE, LONE RANGER, SHADOW, SUSPENSE, ONE STEP BEYOND-TV. DAVID WHARFF, RFD, Mitchellville, Ia 50169; Trades, list, 600, no net, spons, many LUM AND ABNER, GREAT GILDERSLEEVE, WEIRD CIRCLE. JOHN OLSON JR, 2229 SE Pine St, Hillsboro, Ore 97123; Trades, list, by reel, a few hundred, no net, spons, great variety; many EXPLORING TOMORROW, MEL BLANC, DEVIL AND MR O, GANGBUSTERS. TERRY BLACK, 112 Archer A, Springfield, Ill 62704; Trades, supplem pg 25-30, complete description incl net and spons, many ESCAPE, GUNSMOKE, HALL OF FANTESY, Interviews. ROLAND DORITY, 105 6th St SE 108, Washington, DC 20003; Trades, list, sev. hund, alphas, no net or spons, many GREAT. STORY EVER TOLD (6), HEARTBEAT THEATER, BBC, THEATER 5, THEATER OF THE AIR, X-1. LARRY EVANS, RFD 1, Malvern, Ohio, 44644; list, trades, 500, no net, spons, by reel, varied listing.

LISTINGS LOGS: Through the efforts of Barry Brooks The complete log of CBS RADIO WORKSHOP is available from me (1 page). When sending for special relistings and logs figure 4 pages to a stamp. Please send 3ASE. Mainly through the efforts of Barry's 16-year old son, Richard, I now have the complete log of LUX RADIO THEATER (10/14/34-6/7/55). I haven't typed it yet but it should be ready when you get this newsletter. There will be a bit of expense in this one. It will be at least as long as the SUSPENSE log and probably longer. To cover expenses I'm asking 75¢ a copy at least. This won't need a 3ASE. I am making only 100 copies

considering far less than 100 SUSPENSE and network logs were sold. Those two logs, needless to say, are still available. I hope to get xeroxed copies of many logs in Radio Guide and update my network log. Also SUSPENSE INFORMATION WILL soon be coming in. At this point I will make supplements to both publications, free to those who have bought the logs. They probably won't be ready until December. I also have re-listed my SUSPENSE COLLECTION alphabetically. There are 392 programs. About 775 were broadcast. Because they are a trading list I will send them to those people who have the SUSPENSE log and who have access to SUSPENSE I need. A few have gone out already to certain people. If you have received my log and have some generally uncirculated programs let me know. I believe this listing is about the most complete, recent listing of those SUSPENSE now in circulation. Included on the list are titles, date, star if known, whether sponsored by Roma or Autolite, quality. I'm sure there are people with more programs but they either aren't listed or are not being circulated.

**QUIZ:** Winners of Septembers quiz were Roger Hill and Warren Sanford (2nd time for Warren). Answers are: 1. Amos and Andy 2. Our Gal Sunday 3. Tony Wons Scrapbook 4. Campana Serenade 5. Shadow 6. Ruth Etting 7. Art Linkletter (one of several themes) 8. Second Husband 9. Morey Amsterdam 10/ Plaza 42395 (Sorry Wrong Number). Keep those answers coming in for October's quiz. Novembers follows: a reel of programs to the winner and runner up: 1. Dupont was the long time sponsor of what program 2. Craig McDonnell and either Georgie Ward or Don Hughes were on what program 3. Brian Donlevy played what part in Dangerous Assignment 4. John Daley or Harold Huber played \_\_\_ 5. Don Wilson's wife's name is \_\_\_ 6. To what popular melody was Beverly Hills Beavers theme song 7. In J Benny what was the vault keepers first name 8. What was the first network sponsored program, who sponsored it, and what date did it make its debut (it was on for almost 30 years) 9. What program was written and narrated by Robert Sloane 10. George Harmon Coxe originated what program.

**NEWS ARTICLES:** There was a nice article on old time radio in the fall issue of Hi-Fi Stereo Guide. The complete article is in Stay Tuned... In the Enquirer, Nov 7th, was a nice article about the Pacific Pioneer Broadcasters Assn. Some 800 radio stars belong and meet about 4 times a year at the Sportsman Lodge in Los Angeles. Among its members are Warren Abbott, Hal Peary, Edgar Bergen, Pat Buttram, Ralph Edwards, Jimmy Durante, Jack Benny, Jay Stewart (announcer now for Let's Make a Deal), Pat O'Brien, Durward Kirby, Keenan Wynn, Agnes Moorehead, Mel Blanc, Cliff Arquette, Mike Rye (now voice of the cartoon Lone Ranger), Barbara Luddy, Macdonald Carey, E G Robinson, Anne Seymour, Lenore Kingston. The association has been meeting since 1966... In the Corporation for Public Broadcasting Newsletter, October 1971 was an article on current radio drama. WHA in Madison, Wisconsin will begin a new dramatic series called Earplay. Original dramatic productions will be produced by WHA made possible by a grant from the Corporation. There will be about 60 scripts the first year. Programs will be between 15-30 minutes. New and experienced writers will be used. In England 50-75 new dramatists are introduced each year. While this is not an attempt to bring back the "Good Old days of radio" many writers will have the opportunity to extend their creativity to radio.

**TAPE:** Gary Dudash comments on Bell and Howell tape which I have mentioned in a couple of issues: The tape comes attractively wrapped, looks very nice but when playing back the programs noticed volume fluctuation in every reel tried (25 were bought for \$27.00). Tests were made with different programs and different tape but all had volume fluct. Also an excessive amount of oxide was left on the heads. Be wary of this tape.

**TRADERS:** As you know I am trying to help subscribers locate traders and help with any irregularities. I have been requested to try to help locate these traders. Does anyone know whether the following are trading any more and whether there is a change of address. Jim Bolen, 33 Highwood Drive, Belleville, Ill 62221...Roy Brink, 1115 Marydale Rd, Garland, Tex 75040...Luther Sies, 101 W 23rd St Apt 4-1, New York City, NY 10011. I am going to go out on a limb and give a personal opinion on something which I and others have mentioned before. I have tried my best to answer any personal message which has been sent to me, especially if I hear from the person more than once. I can understand if there are personal problems-I certainly have had some myself. If you can't trade, at least run off a form letter to that effect so people will know about it. Also, does anybody know about Tom Cole, 613 North 8th St, Allentown, Penn 18102...I am not trying to step on anyone's toes or give the impression of poor risks. All I'm trying to do is find out if these people are trading and possibly why it's difficult hearing from them. If there is anyone that is not trading at the moment I could easily mention it and letters won't be sent.

**NETWORK LOG:** More corrections and additions. Ray Stanich is responsible for most of these. CHARLIE CHAN: 7/6/44-45 ABC//45-47, NBC, Thur, 15min...CITIES SERVICE BAND OF AMERICA: (2/18/27-1956) 27-40, NBC, 60min, Frid, 8:00//40-49, NBC, 30min, Frid, 8:00//49-56, NBC, Mond, 9:30...FU MANCHU (mentioned before)...LAND OF THE LOST: 10/30/48-49, ABC, Tues...LIFE OF MARY SOTHERN (1936-38) Hinds, 15min, Mut and CBS, 5t...MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN (1940-42) Mut, 3times, 15min...NERO WOLFE: 7/5/43-to fall 43, Mondays...SAM SPADE: 7/12/46-Fall 46, Friday...SEA HOUND 7/48-51 Tues...THIN MAN: 8/27/40 first show//48-9/1/50, ABC, Frid...WITCH'S TALE Apparently on for irregular periods of time 7/13/31-8/31, Mut, Mond//8/31-1/32, CBS, Mond//1/11/32-35, Mut, Mond//35-38, Mut, Tues...X 1 (4/22/55-1/9/58 NBC (How did I miss this one?)

**SUSPENSE LOG:** Additions; 8/19/42 with (w) R Brent; 1/26/43 Death Went Along for the Ride; R Bellamy: 3/2/43 w F March: 6/8/43 Five Canies in the Room: 7/27/43 w L Kregar: 10/19/43 Donovan's Brain part 2: 2/24/49 The Bedford Case: 3/29/55 w T Barrett: 9/13/55 Last Days of John Dillinger: 9/27/55 Frightened City; H Bartell: 11/29/55 w S Edwards: 3/27/56 A Guilty Conscience? 4/24/56 With a Case of Nerves: 5/22/56 w V Perrin: 7/26/59 w Marsha Hunt: 1/3/60 w F Meyers: 1/10/60 w E McVey: 4/3/60 B Grant: 8/20/61 Murder is a Matter of Opinion: 12/24/61 No program: 6/3/62 w T Keen: 7/15/62 w G Hall, J Blaine: 9/30/62 w C Cary.....I still need programs for the following dates: 8/5/42, 6/22/54, 6/29/54, 1/27/55, 2/3/55, 3/15/55, 3/22/55, 4/12/55, 4/19/55, 4/26/55, 6/7/55, 6/28/55, 8/9/55, 11/15/55, 11/22/55, 6/12/56, 8/1/56, 8/15/56, 12/1/56, 2/17/57, 9/8/57, 1/5/58, 1/19/58, 5/4/58, 9/7/58, 12/14/58, 4/19/59, 5/31/59.

**HERE AND THERE:** Old Friends: Vern Eldridge has POLICE HEADQUARTERS, SPEED GIBSON, FRANK RACE, and DIZZY DEAN for trade (VE, 115 S High, Janesville, Wisc 53545)...Rosa Rio did some of the old radio themes with the prop of a 1930 radio and announcer at the Univ of Cincinnati Oct 30 and 31st...Pete Huckel mentions: Make sure you clean and demagnetize your tape heads periodically. He also is looking for traders. He is most interested in VOYAGE OF THE SCARLET QUEEN (PH, 3 Brookside Pk, Old Greenwich, Conn 06870...Fred Dickey mentions that the author of Leiningen versus the Ants is Carl Stephenson. Who is the author of 3 Skeleton Key. Just found him. George G Toudouse...I have the names of all the ESCAPE with the correct spelling. Let me know which shows you want...John Olsen Jr, 2229 S E Pine St, Hillsboro, Oregon 97123 is looking for THE SEALED BOOK and THE CLOCK. Also he is looking for RAFFLES, any programs except 8/23/45 which he has...Jack Miller, 109 Fallon Dr, Hamden, Conn is looking for information about a duo called The Radio Franks. They were a comedy and song pair who started on KDKA and later went to WEA in NY during the early to middle 30's...Ernie

Hack, 6 Perkins St, Bristol, Conn 06010 has 6 new radio stamps for sale. These were designed by Bill Blalock. Of the six one is Jack Benny and one is the Lone Ranger. They range in price from \$4.25 to \$4.75. I highly recommend them. Write Ernie for details... Pat McCoy of Pasco, Washington had a nice write<sup>up</sup> in a local paper and in one of the trade journals of the paper industry for which he worked. Excerpts: Pat has 6000 shows, 4000 catalogued. Included are over 250 Fibber McGee and 300 SUSPENSE. Pat does some selling but expenses are just about covered (his prices are very reasonable). He has 3 children who with his wife help in the paper work. Pat also spends time helping the blind in the area supplying tapes. (P M, 1228 Lincoln Dr, Pasco, Wash 99301)

HERE AND THERE-New Friends: (Some address mentioned earlier). Chuck Burns is traveling with the original edition of Disney on Parade. He is now in Australia... Robin Benson, 42 Colebrook Rd, London SW 16 5WT, England. Robin is very interested in radio station jingles (vocal groups singing call letters of the station). He has about 2000 already. ..Phil Callan, 194 Liberty St, Meriden, Conn 06450... Roland Lorty,... Jack Freeman... Bob Fedor, 26 Elm Pl, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706... Larry Evans... Rev Frank Gilmore Jr is looking for Pooles Paradise, Highway Frolics, Steve Canyon-TV, Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea-TV, Walter Winchell, Bob and Ray, comics, TV, movies. His hobbies include amateur radio, photography, science fiction, WWII books... Dr. John Hurley, 5114 Washington St, W Roxbury, Mass 02132... James Harpster, Suite 3201, 100 No Main Bldg, Memphis, Tenn 38103. James is looking for some round robins... Greg Jackson, 1097 Queen Anne Pl, Los Angeles, Cal 90019... Tim Johnson, 138 Hillcrest Ave, Knoxville, Tenn 37918... Ray Nemeo, 1631 Carol St, Downers Grove, Ill 60515. Ray is very interested in obtaining radio guides, especially the "E" edition which carried WDZ's program schedule for 1939-1940. Also he is looking for the "C" edition which carried KMA and KFNF from 1938-43. Just recently Ray interviewed Mrs. James Bush, 90, widow of the founder of WDZ, claimed to be the third oldest in the country. Ray also has about 2000 program including many relatively uncirculated transcriptions... Den Nichols, 5486 Nichols Rd, Mason, Mich 48854. Den is looking for SKY KING, SUPERMAN from 1947-48 (with organ theme. Does anyone have these?), CAPT MIDNIGHT, HOUSE OF MYSTERY, HERMITS CAVE, DR CHRISTIAN, MY FRIEND IRMA, LETS PRETEND, PERRY MASON... Ed Peck, 1033 Gypsum, Salina, Kan 67401. Ed is looking for THE AMAZING ADVENTURES OF BONNIE AND CLYDE, HERMITS CAVE, and TALES OF TOMORROW... Don Richardson, 120 Herman Dr, No Syracuse, NY 13212... Herb Sadowski... Norman Thode, 3008 N 77th Ct, Elmwood Pk, Ill 60635... Bill Weant, Box 561, Salisbury, NC 28144. Bill is just starting to collect and is interested in mystery programs. He has the 3 min. promo for The Caddy with J Lewis and D Martin, funny but dirty... John Warden, ASUW #3937280, 412 Mc Mahon Hall, Un of Wash, Seattle, Wash 98105. John is especially interested in SUSPENSE. I had a nice phone call from John recently.

NEW PROGRAMS: Rex Bills, 1147 Schulte Rd, St Louis, Mo 63141 has just found 200 ET's, all in very good sound. They are all APTS including Fibber McGee, Great Gildersleeve, Date with Judy, Alan Young, Frank Morgan, Charlie McCarthy, Jack Kirkwood, Suspense, Ozzie and Harriet, Life of Riley. All are between 1945-47 and most are new programs... In my collection from D Koehnemann are Take it or Leave it with Phil Baker and J Benny; also Truth or Consequences with J Benny guessed as the walking man. Newest Suspense out are Dame Fortune, You Take Ballistics, One-Way Street, Sneak Preview.

REBROADCASTS: Greg Jackson sends this interesting information: KPPC in the Los Angeles area recently began broadcasting 2 complete radio shows a week. Then suddenly all the disc jockeys on the station talked about losing their jobs. They were all fired, new ones were hired and the station discontinued broadcasting the old radio shows. Oh well.

**RADIO STATIONS OF THE MONTH:** This starts a new feature saluting radio stations around the country that are providing EXCELLENT radio programming, especially vintage programs...WTIC, Hartford, Conn (1080-AM). Ed Corcoran, collector, and Dick Bertell, announcer, host a 50-minute monthly program devoted to old-time radio. They interview a different star each month and play excerpts of the programs. Also once a month a band leader, musician, or singer of the 40's is paid tribute to. During this 50-minute program, hosted by Arnold Dean, there is much music and conversation with the personality if he is still alive. Arnold Dean also hosts a daily program devoted to music of the golden age of music and big bands...WLTD, Chicago area, Ill (1590-AM). Once a week Chuck Schaden hosts a 3-hour program devoted to the playing of old-time radio. The program is called Those Were the Days and is sponsored by Northwest Federal Savings. Banks must have a special interest in old-time radio since Burrett Savings sponsors the WTIC program. The bank sends out a colorful brochure describing the programs to be played. Many times Chuck weaves the programs around the time of year, certain themes or certain performers. Our salute to WTIC and WLTD... If you have a favorite station send in appropriate details.

**COLLECTORS OF THE MONTH:** Richard Arnold, 103 South Oak St, California, Mo 65018. Richard is 31, single, and works for Ralston Purina. He started collecting 4 years ago and has about 2800 programs. His special interests are LONE RANGER, SUSPENSE, X-1, DIMENSION X, ESCAPE. Richard also collects old records and phonographs pre-1940.

**LARRY EVANS:** Larry is 32, has 2 boys, and is an industrial education training instructor. He has been collecting for about 5 months and has about 500 shows. His hobbies are ham radio, golf, bowling, fishing, and home winemaking.

**JACK FREEMAN:** Jack is in his late 40's, has one son, and is a letter carrier. He has been collecting for about 2½ years and has about 1500 shows, some of which are relatively uncirculated. He has 110 Art Van Damme shows and is interested in SF, comedy, EB AND ZEB. Jack also has just about all the Dimension X and X-1 titles.

**EARL GROW,** 16260 Keller Dr, Brookfield, Wisc 53005. Earl has 2 children and is an associate professor of Mass Communication at the University of Wisc, Milwaukee. Earl has collected for 2 years and has about 600 programs. He teaches a broadcast history course. His special interest is news, documentaries, early TV soundtracks, and childrens programs, especially LETS PRETEND which his daughter is "hooked" on.

**ROBERT HUTCHISON (Hutch),** Box 265, Maryville, Tenn 37801. Hutch is 29, single, and is a TV artist and cinematographer for WSJK-TV, Knoxville, Tenn. He also does some voice overs and a little bit of acting in some of the educational shows. Hutch has about 500 programs and is interested in I LOVE A MYSTERY, SUSPENSE, ESCAPE, X-1, DIMENSION X.

**MEL SIMONS,** 37 Beverly Rd, Brookline, Mass 02167. Mel is 37, single, and is a professional humorist, storyteller, and orchestra leader (I heard him recently and he is great-especially the yiddish dialog-ed). Mel started collecting about 2 years ago and has about 1500 shows. His main interests are LUX RADIO THEATER, JACK BENNY, GUY LOMBARDO, mysteries. During the summer Mel is social director of the Brickman Hotel in the Catskill Mountains.

**RAY STANICH,** 173 Columbia Heights, Brooklyn, NY 11201. Ray is 44, single, and a telegraph engineering supervisor. He has collected rare operas for 5 years and radio for 2. His interests include photography, world travel, foreign films, classical and foreign folk music. Ray is also a researcher and has compiled a complete RAILROAD HOUR log. He also is in the process of compiling complete information on ELLERY QUEEN. Another interest is Arch Oboler.

Let me hear from you (age, children, job, when started, number of programs, interests, hobbies, etc.)



### THE LONE RANGER-Part 3 (contributed by Evan MacBride)

In the early years the program was live originating from WXYZ. It was not until February of 1938 that the program was transcribed. In 1939 the program was half live and half transcribed, depending on location, for the program was aired in Ontario, Hawaii, and New Zealand. The program heard each Monday, Wed, and Friday was done live 3 times each night. The reason was the change in time. It was heard each night at 7:30 in all time zones...Trendle wanted everything to be as real as possible so he would have the actors jog to give the proper cadence. When dismounting the actors actually swung their legs and grunted as they landed. When one was knocked out an actor would literally fall on the floor...One of the best aspects of the program were its sound effects, particularly that of a gun shot which many stations had great difficulty in imitating. The mikes simply could not even handle a cap pistol. The sound men on the Lone Ranger used a cane hit against a leather cushion. The men were known for their diligence in perfecting sound. In one instance they spent an hour trying to discover the proper sound for horses falling from a cliff into a river. The problem was solved by crumpling a newspaper...The program was sponsored mainly by bankers. Trendle would not accept a liquor distiller or a cigarette manufacturer as a sponsor, nor would he license the sale of Lone Ranger matches, knives, bows and arrows, or anything else with which a child might hurt himself...In October, 1938, the Lone Ranger offered membership in his safety club. Each child had to have the signature of one of his parents and agree to do ten items. Three of these were: not to cross any street except at regular crossings and to first look both ways; not to play in the streets; to always tell the truth. The youngster was also urged to obtain a badge. For this he had to sell the sponsor's product to three unknown people...By December 7th, 6 weeks after the campaign began 475,574 badges had been distributed; by early Jan. 535,495. The total by late 1939 was 2 million...Trendle then incorporated the program to protest against infringement suits. The income from the program rose when he signed with Republic Pictures for 2 serials, \$60,000; Agreed to allow publication of a comic strip, \$100,000; allowing of novelties to be sold bringing another \$100,000. (to be concluded next month)

LATE NEWS AND TIDBITS: In Photography, Dec. 1971; The new "Dolby" cassette recorders suppress all tape hiss at normal playing levels. The Dolby A is the professional recording unit costing several thousand dollars; it works at suppressing all noise. The B model is the low-cost amateur model and works only on those frequencies that produce tape noise (hiss)...The cover is replaced this month by an ad from Ernie Hack about his 6 new stamps (address on reverse side of ad). As I've mentioned before I highly recommend them...Got a nice note from Mary Jane Higby. Miss Higby can't attend the convention but she did mention that her husband is currently playing on Broadway in *The Rothchilds*. She is starting a lecture tour and is making a television film to be released in the early spring...Larry Forward is still looking for episodes of SAM SPADEM RICHARD DIAMOND, HALLS OF IVY (L F, 797 Stone Rd, Pittsford, NY 14534...Rolly Roos, 259 Walker A, Clarendon Hills, Ill 60514 is looking for someone with 70 or more episodes of SHADOW OF FU MANCHU... According to Rolly, Gene Kellenberger in Iowa is releasing LUM AND ABNER to radio stations for a fee. According to an ad by Gene he has over 4 years of episodes...Robert Lozier Jr, 318 E Houston S, Monroe, NC 28110. Robert is 25, single, and is a design engineer. Bob has collected for 8 months and has about 280 programs. His interests are comedy-variety, band remotes, and the better adventure programs. His main hobby is collecting antique radios. Robert is a member of the Antique Wireless Assn. ...More info on Tom Alexander, Beaver Hill Apts W 609, Jenkintown, Penn

19046. Tom is 29, single, and is an electronics engineer. Tom has a variety of programs and is especially interested in FRED ALLEN, JACK BENNY, AMOS AND ANDY, CHARLIE McCARTHY, OUR MISS BROOKS, ROY ROGERS, PEOPLE ARE FUNNY, DAMON RUNYAN THEATER...Ed Peck, mentioned earlier is also looking for EXPLORING TOMORROW, complete, 2000 PLUS, X-1, DIMENSION X, SUSPENSE, MYSTERIOUS TRAVELER.....

ATTENTION: OLD TIME MOVIE COLLECTORS

We have just received hundreds of reels of 16mm sound film of early television programs. These are mostly black and white and are the original production print of various lengths and reel sizes from 15" on down. All are excellent to brand new condition--some never having been removed from the vault for showing. Some of the programs are LUCKY STREKE HIT PARADE, DEAN MARTIN, ERNIE KOVACS, HOWDY\*DOODY, BOB NEWHART, SID CAESAR, VOICE OF AMERICA, DAVE KING, ED BEGLY, ARTHUR MURRAY, THIS IS YOUR LIFE, TONIGHT, STEVE ALLEN, ETC...The complete catalog is now in preparation listing subject matter, contents, running time or length and price. Write now for free copy. Write to Denson Electronic Corp, Longview 3, Rockville, Conn 06066. (203) 875-5198.....

I have talked with Al Denson, former president of NBC and owner of Denson Electronic Corp. This ad is going in several publications. You people will probably read about it first. I would contact him right away if you are interested.(ed)

Bob Monaco is bring his 16mm projector and some old movies to the convention. If Al Denson has the films still available Dec 4th it is quite possible we might be able to see some of them at that time...

MORE NEW PROGRAMS: Complete FORD THEATERS, MYSTERY IN THE AIR with P Lorre, MILTON BERLS 1947-48 sponsored by P Morris. Also J Benny 4/25/48 with Colman and D Kirsten.

MORE LATE NEWS: Walter Gibson, creator of the Shadow is tentatively coming to the convention. If any of you have premiums or other related material please bring them but please let me know so I can reserve a table for display...Because of the convention the December newsletter may be a little late in being mailed and written...The next issue will feature an article about listing programs and making catalogs. If you have any ideas on the subject let me know...Bruce Ruggles reminds us that November 15th marks the 45th anniversary of NBC. Are they doing a special? Let me know and check your NBC station so you can dub it if they have one.

WHAT ARE THE DATES? Each issue I will put some programs that have been going around for a while but with no dates. If any of you can confirm the correct date please let me know. INNER SANCTUM, Unforgiving Corpse; LUM AND ABNER, Robert theRobot; GREAT GILDERSLEEVE, McGee invents a Mousetrap; BLONDIE, Dagwood dreams-see into the future; LETS PRETEND, Rumpelstiltskin; DUFFYS TAVERN, Bob Crosby, Dolores Hope; JOE PENNER; Joe plans a party for his parents. If I get response to this I will continue each issue.

I will have back issues of Hello Again at the convention and I imagine Bob Joseph will have some of Stay Tuned, also. Try to make it. Until December then; Have a pleasant Thanksgiving, send your catalogs and supplements, new programs, short articles, news about yourself, spread the word and feel free to reprint anything you want. When you write to someone because of this newsletter, please mention it. If your subscription has expired please note below. So...

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