

CONVENTION 1979 UPDATE: All details in April issue. It is October 20th at the Holiday Inn in Bridgeport, Ct. 19 people are registered so far including 9 special guests: Bill Griffis, Arnold Stang, Alice Reinhart, Blair Walliser, Ed Blainey, Court Benson, Grace Matthews, Bob Prescott, Ramond Edward Johnson. 10 display tables have been reserved so far. We hope special guests who have previously attended will come this time. Just let me know...Get your reservations in as soon as possible...Also we would appreciate publicity from other newsletters and publications, especially those I mention each month.

IN FOND MEMORY: William Davis Jr. of Detroit, Mich. William died on Oct. 24th. He had subscribed to Hello Again in 1977...Nino Rota, Apr 10, 68; Academy Award-winning composer (The Godfather). He was a prolific composer of film music. Also wrote the theme for "Romeo and Juliet" which Henry Mancini recorded for a million seller...Staats Cotsworth, Apr 9, 71; stage, TV and radio actor. Mr. Cotsworth received an award at our convention in 1975. His most famous radio shows were CASEY, CRIME PHOTOGRAPHER, FRONT PAGE FARRELL, LONE JOURNEY, MARK TRAIL...Norman Tokar, Apr 6, 59; motion picture director. Followed Ezea Stone as radio's Henry Aldrich...Mel Henke, Mar 31, 63; composer, arranger and jazz pianist...Barbara Luddy Lefever, Apr 1, 71; well-known radio personality. Best known for role of leading lady on MR. FIRST NIGHTER from 1936-52. Also in GRAND HOTEL and CHICAGO THEATER OF THE AIR...Malcolm Johnson, Apr 10, 80; band leader of the Johnny Johnson Orch. Had the TASTY YEAST SHOW from 1936-39...Charles Silvern, Apr 1, 76; midget-actor, performer...P.J. (Pincus) Wolfson, Apr 16, 75; film writer and occasional producer-director...Alexander Cantwell, Apr 18, 57; TV producer, writer, director...Bill Hahn, Apr 14, 65; owner of Bill Hahn's hotel in Westbrook, Ct. Many big names appeared there...Leonard Whitcomb, Apr 6, 75; composer-lyricist ("Take me Back to My Boots and Saddle" and "Fiesta.")...Gaylin Moss, Apr 13, 20; actress, singer...Herbert Dunn, Apr 14, 87; silent film actor...Joseph Curtin, Apr 5, 68; radio actor. Best known as Jerry North on MR. AND MRS. NORTH. Also in HILLTOP HOUSE, JOHN'S OTHER WIFE, OUR GAL SUNDAY, THE THIN MAN...John Carroll, Apr 24, 71; movie actor...Fred Coe, Apr 29, 64; TV and legit producer-director...Ranny Weeks, Apr 26, 72; band leader.

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED: THE BIG BANDWAGON, April; Articles on Spike Jones, Lester Young, Al Donovne, Ozzie Nelson...ILLUSTRATED PRESS, April; article on Sears Radio Theater...THE WORLD OF YESTERDAY, April articles on The records of Mickey Mouse, Margaret Dumont, Gloria Jean, Horace Heidt...COLLECTORS CORNER, April; articles on private detectives, shamrock tape...AIRWAVES. This is the last issue of this publication. This is the 20th issue and we are sorry that Jerry Chapman has had to stop publishing it.

NEWS OF THE PAST: By Ed Carr: In 1947 SUPERMAN won the Page One Award given by the Newspaper Guild as the outstanding radio series of the year...Jay Jostyn once received an offer from a detective agency to become an undercover operative...The KATE SMITH SPEAKS Show moved to Mutual and when it was put up for co-operative sale in Burlington, NC bidding became so fierce that the Burlington Merchants Assoc. sponsored the program, together with its 600 members, all in one city.



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THE TAPE DECK: William Poston, Box 805, Bakersfield, Cal 93301 has large quantities of discontinued and overstocked tape for sale including Ampex. Write for price list of reels and cassettes...Ray Stanich brings up a point about doublespeeding. Double-speeding does not improve a program's quality. First, any off-speed is doubled. The main reason is the head must be capable of passing twice the frequency. If shows originate from transcriptions, then they may have higher than 8000Mhz and this means during musical portions you will probably lose highs unless you have high quality recorders capable of 20KHz. Most home-type recorders fall down above 12KHz @ 3.75 and 15KHz @ 7½. With proper equipment you can duplicate at double speed (or even higher multiples) with a minimum of loss, but never an improvement...Send me a SASE and 20¢ if you want an article METAL PARTICLE TAPE ADVANCES CASSETTE PERFORMANCE in the April 23rd issue of Design News...Jay Springman sends the following information: the largest supplier of replacement belts in the country is: Projector-Recorder Belt Corp., 200 Clay St, Box 176, Whitewater, Wis 53190...

NEW SHOWS: Ray Stanich, 173 Columbia Hts, Brooklyn, NY 11201 has: THIS IS YOUR FBI "Backstage Shakedown...FIFTH WAVE LOAN 6/19/44 with O Welles, J Benny, L Turner...TOWN HALL TONIGHT 4/5/39 with F Allen and G Jessel...2 SCREEN GUILD THEATER: 7/22/46 Glass Key w. A Ladd and 4/21/49 Blue Dahlia w. A. Ladd.

HERE AND THERE: New Friends: Conrad Dawson, 114 N Center #29, Reno, Nev...Jack Shugg, Box 81, Jerome Station, Bronx, NY 10468. Wants reels or cassettes of GOLDBERGS: JASON AND THE GOLDEN FLEECE... Bruce Alves, Box 131, Twain Harte, Cal 95383.

Old Friends: The Center for Cassette Studies, 8110 Webb Ave, North Hollywood, Cal 91605 has over 5000 cassettes on all subjects including CTR. They are used extensively in schools and libraries. Write for their catalog...Don Aston, 1301 No Park Av, Inglewood, Cal 90302 wants first 15 GUNSMOKE in 1952...Don Koehnemann, 811 Bristol Ave, Westchester, Ill 60153 wants TV audio of American Film Institute Salute to Alfred Hitchcock; 78 rpm record of Spike Jones "Daring Young Man on the Flying Trapeeze" c 1942-3...Ed Carr, 216 Shaner St, Boyertown, Pa 19512 has 5 BUSTER BROWN shows and 60 5-minute ASK EDDIE CANTOR for trade. Ed also wants to buy the thin round plastic reel containers that come with some BASF tape...Josh Bray, Box 98, Green Lane, Pa 18054 wants a log of the series TOSCANINI* the man behind the legend, listing the musical presentations and the intermission guests...From Don Koehnemann again: Who played LITTLE AUDREY and on what program did she appear? In 1935 she said "I'm not afraid of the Italians going to war in Ethiopia; an Italian balm won't hurt anybody"...Larry Rao, 1213 E 88th St, Brooklyn, NY 11236 wants copies of NFL football games and baseball games from 1959 and before.

RADIO IS ALIVE AND WELL: Serta Inc, the mattress manufacturers (Perfect Sleeper) has purchased 5 60-second commercials a week for 26 weeks in the CBS RADIO MYSTERY THEATER. This is Serta's first venture into network radio...On April 22 the Peabody Awards were announced with 8 going to radio including: THE ETERNAL LIGHT; CBS NEWS-World News Roundup; National Radio Theater of Chicago for Imaginative radio drama; WMUK-FM in Kalamazoo, Mich for live radio dramas... Howard K Smith, after 18 years with ABC, recently resigned...Fran Warren, now 53, is singing at Michael's Pub in New York City and doing a fantastic job...National Public Radio and the BBC announced recent-

ly that they have acquired the radio rights to STAR WARS and that they will co-produce a 13-episode series of radio dramas based on the characters of the movie. The new programs will be aired in the spring of 1980...86-year-old Ed Fitzgerald and wife Pegreen, 40-year vets of WOR radio on-air regulars started a latenight phone-in chit-chat show on the station, May 7, broadcasting from their home.

LATE NEWS: Andy Dill, 4004 Galbrath Dr, No Highlands, Cal 95660 wants a complete log of FIBBER MCGEE and PHIL HARRIS...RECEIVED; April newsletter of Milwaukee Club. Nice article on Mel Blanc...Allen Rockford's passing was noted in the obituary section of the May 3rd issue of Variety. It mentioned mostly his radio programs he had in Syracuse...I also mentioned last month that he was remembered by Mary Lou and Walt. They are Mary Lou Wallace and Walt Mitchell of Syracuse, two close friends...RADIO IS ALIVE: For a \$ASE and 10¢ a piece I will send you: A New York Times Article (5/6/79) on Radio's Recent Sign of Vigor. It mentions EARPLAY, SEARS, MASTERPIECE, and THE ROBERT KLEIN HOUR on WNEW-FM every other Monday at 11 P.M.: also a one-page article on the SEARS RADIO THEATER: also a complete list of winners of the Peabody awards. Jack Benny and Fred Allen were also honored at these awards sponsored by the Broadcast Pioneers. The broadcasters Hall of fame received Benny and Allen as the first entertainers so honored; also a complete list of winners honored at the 42nd annual Shio State Award banquet. One radio program so honored was the CHILDREN'S RADIO THEATER over WPFW-FM in Washington. Anyone familiar with this show...This is a total of four sheets (articles)...RECEIVED: RETURN WITH US NOW: May; article on Perry Mason...IN FOND MEMORY: Lester Flatt, May 11, 64; teamed with Earl Scruggs to spearhead the rise of bluegrass music...Erin O'Brien, May 3, 77; radio, stage and screen actress; in JOHN'S OTHER WIFE: BIG SISTER...John Carroll, Apr 24, 72; movie actor; title role in several Zorro movies. ...MORE CONVENTION NEWS: One of our new films this year will be a rare musical comedy with Fred Allen that hasn't been released in over 40 years...So far we have people coming from Mich, Ct. NY, Ohio, NJ, Pa, Cal...Send in your reservations.

Have a safe Memorial Day

Write if you get work and Hang by your thumbs

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