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**A PERSONAL NOTE:** I will be attending the Cincinnati Convention and will have a dealers table. I am bringing only certain logs so if you are attending and wish to purchase a particular log, please let me know.

**ULTIMATE HISTORY:** My *Ultimate History* is now revised with all the information that was in the 3 supplements combined with the original book. There is a lot more information acquired this year also. Cost is \$46 plus \$4 P&H for new purchasers and \$36 plus \$4 P&H for purchasers of earlier book and supplements.

**CONVENTION 1996:** We have several items for sale: **New FOTR Canvas Bags** are on sale for \$7.00 plus \$2.00 P & H. **20th Anniversary Mugs** are available for \$4.00 plus \$4.00 P & H. **Convention booklets** are on sale for \$2.00 plus \$1.00 P & H. **New Blue 1996 FOTR Bic Click pens** are on sale for \$2.00 plus .50 P & H. We still have **FOTR flashlight-key chains and FOTR Magnets** for \$1.00 each plus \$1.00 P & H.

**CONVENTION 1997:** Dates are October 23 - 25 at the Holiday Inn-North, Newark, NJ.

### Friends of Old-Time Radio Script Contest

The **Fourth** annual original script writing contest is now open. We would like an original 30 minute script which must be based on any of the great radio programs of the past, such as *The Shadow*, *Jack Benny*, etc. The script can have the characters originating in their original era and time or you can update the time to today.

The script must have all music and sound cues as well as all the spoken material. Try to arrange it in script form so it doesn't have to be retyped.

The prize for the best script will be \$150 and will have its live performance at our 1998 convention on Thursday evening after dinner. We would like you to attend our convention to participate but it is not mandatory. You can direct it if you wish. There will be some rehearsal time. Scripts must be submitted by **August 15th, 1997**. Send to Dave Zwengler, 319 Plymouth Rd., North Brunswick, NJ 08902 (908) 940-7639. A distinguished panel of old-time radio buffs will pick the winning script. They must be very readable. All are eligible so please spread the word.

The winning script in our first contest was won by Michael Giorgio. The second was won by James Nixon. The third winner is Edgar Russell, Jr. whose script will be performed at our 1997 convention.

Will all clubs with newsletters print the above in order to give everyone a chance?

**PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED:** *The Jot 'em Down Journal*, February; article about Gene Baker...*Chattanooga Airwaves*, Jan - Feb; article about Grand Ole Opry...**the Illustrated Press**, Jan; articles about Straight Arrow; Big Sister; more active people in radio...Feb: articles about Second Mrs. Burton; more active people in radio...Mar; Articles about Young Dr. Malone, more active people in radio...**Abbott and Costello Quarterly**, Spring, 1995 #24; articles about Connie Haines; Clare Ryan; **an Abbott and Costello Log...Nostalgia Digest**; Feb - Mar; articles about Danny Kaye; Frank Nelson; Larry Adler; Hal Kemp...Apr - May; articles about Buck Rogers; old radios; Radio slang; The Hindenburg Dis-

aster...**RLL On the Air**; Oct; articles about The Hour of Charm; Radio Premiums; Guy Madison...Dec; articles about kids helping with WW II; Radio premiums...Feb; article about Radio Quiz Shows; reprint of a 1947 article by Jinx Falkenburg...**Tape Squeal**, Jan - Feb; articles on Sound effects; Our Gal Sunday...**Tradition**; Jan - Feb; articles about Hank Snow; Bob Wills; Prairie Ramblers...**SPERDVAC Radiogram**; Feb; article about Monitor; Right To Happiness; many thanks to Barbara Watkins to the nice things she said about my book...Mar; article about Perry Mason...**Radio Recall**, Feb; Jack French was nice enough to include an article about me. When Jack interviews someone he always has the person interviewed or the person the article is about to review it first. Many thanks. Also there is a second installment of an article about Quiet Please by Ron Barnett. Ron also sells blank tape (Audio Tapes, Inc.) and can be reached at Box 9584, Alexandria, VA 22304...**Past Times**; #26; Information on new books, CD's, tapes about movies, music, radio; article about Art Gilmore by Frank Bresee...**Air Check**, newsletter of the **Radio Enthusiasts of Puget Sound (REPS)**; August issue has details on its last convention. To join REPS contact Bill Davies, 14911 Linden N, Seattle, WA 98133 (206) 365-2856. Member Mike Sprague also puts out Family Ties, newsletter of One Man's Family. For this information contact Mike at Box 723, Bothell, WA 98041 (206) 488-9518...**The Times of Kate Smith**, Winter. Much more information and articles by and about Kate Smith...**Old Time Radio Digest**, Jan - Feb; articles about Don Ameche and Garry Moore; cassette versus open reel...**NARA NEWS**, winter; 25th anniversary issue with much reminiscing; also articles about Truth Or Consequences; eliminating squealing tape; Vernon Dalhart; Campbell Playhouse...**Return With Us Now**, Mar; Reprints of articles on Ann Sothern and Maisie...**Daily Sentinel**, Mar - Apr; articles about Frank Sinatra on Radio; the audition show...**Thrilling Days of Yesteryear**, Mar - Apr; articles about Herb Morrison; band remotes...**On The Air**, Mar - Apr; information about the Arthur Godfrey Memorial Foundation. **On the Air** is the publication of **The Golden Radio Buffs** which is celebrating its 25th year. Congratulations...**Old-time Radio Gazette**, Jan - Feb; Tom Miller has revived his newsletter; articles about recent science fiction, horror and fantasy radio shows by Gordon Payton; Quiet Please by Ron Barnett; Arch Oboler.

**BOOKS: Greenwood Publishing Group** has published many bio-bibliographies in the performing arts. James Robert Parish is the series editor. 73 have been published. For a list or to order call 1-800-225-5800...The 73rd book is **Eddie Cantor** by James Fisher. Besides a biography it lists completely his contributions to stage, film, radio, television, sheet music, records. Cost is \$59.95.

**ORGANIZATIONS, CLUBS and PERFORMANCES:** The **Mac/Eddy Club** (Fan Club of Jeanette MacDonald and Nelson Eddy) is open to all. Write Mac/Eddy, 1013 Teaneck Rd., Teaneck, NJ 07666 (212) 475-2703. It is on the internet at <<http://village.ios.com/~maceddy>> It has a 64-page quarterly publication.

**CONVENTIONS:** The **11th Annual OTR and Nostalgia Convention**, April 18 and 19th at the Marriott Inn in Cincinnati. Contact Bob Burchett at 606-282-0333.

**Radio Classics Live**, May 2 and 3, Brockton, Mass. For information call Bob Bowers at 508-295-5877.

**1997 Jolson Festival**, May 15 - 18; Double Tree Hotel, Rockville, Maryland; For information call Leon Friedman at 301-460-7556

**17th Annual Mid West Radio Theater Workshop**; May 26 - 31, Columbia Missouri. For information contact Sue Zizza (516) 483-8321 or e-mail <[SueMedia1@aol.com](mailto:SueMedia1@aol.com)> One of the guests is Norman Corwin. This convention deals mostly with the production of audio theater.

**Kate Smith Festival #10**, May 30 - Jun 1; Contact Raymond Wood, Box 368, Jamesville, NY 13078

**13th Annual National Lum and Abner Society Convention**, June 20 – 21 in Mena Arkansas; Contact Tim Hollis, #81 Sharon Blvd., Dora, AL 35062.

**REPS Radio Showcase 5**, June 27 – 28 at Overlake Hospital Conference Center in Bellevue, Washington; Contact Mike Sprague, Box 723, Bothell, WA 98041 (206) 488-9518 <hrrmikes@aol.com>

**22nd Old-time Country Music Contest and Festival**, Aug 25 – Sep 1 at Pottawattamie Country Fairgrounds in Avoca, Iowa. For information contact Bob Everhart at Box 438, Walnut, IA 51577.

**Friends of Old-time Radio Convention**, Oct 23 – 25 at the Holiday Inn-North, Newark, NJ; For information contact Jay Hickerson, Box 4321, Hamden, CT 06514 (203) 248-2887 <JayHick@aol.com>

**SPERDVAC Convention**, Nov 7 - 9; Crowne Plaza Hotel, Los Angeles; Contact Larry Gassman (562) 947-9800.

**THE INTERNET:** Many of my subscribers are on the Internet. A list was started in November of 1995. **A complete alphabetical list can be obtained by sending me a SASE.** If you want to get on the mailing list for the Old Time Radio Digest on the Internet e-mail to this address: <old.time.radio-request@airwaves.com>...New Members include: **Nathan Sorensen** <nicknat99@webtv.net>...**John Pellatt** <bs206@torfree.net>...change for **Bill Murtough** <K2MF1@juno.com>...**Jay Rozgonyi** <JRozgonyi@liber.lthaca.edu>...change for **Sean Dougherty** <Sdougher@edelman.com>...**Don Ramlow** <DonaldRA@Sapien.net>...**Charles Sexton** <crsexton@juno.com>...**Michael Giorgio** (Change) <MGiorgio1@aol.com>...**Tom Miller** (Change) <Otrmovie@juno.com>

**LOGS: An Abbott and Costello Log** is in issue #24 of the club's quarterly (see Publications)...**Tom Miller**, 2004 East 6th St., Superior, WI 54880 has a minor log of Imagination Theater which is on KDAL in Duluth, MN. These are all productions of Jim French who can be reached at KVI, 7th Ave., Seattle, WA 98101. Many old Crisis productions are included. The entire series is available on cassette or CD. Contact Transmedia Radio Network, 1719 Battery St., San Francisco, CA 94111...**Terry Salomonson**, Box 347, Howell, MI 48844 has 2 new logs. The first is a complete log of **Great Gildersleeve**. Cost is \$10. The other is a log of **Lum and Abner**. Cost for this is \$15. They also contain information about movies, television, cast.

**CATALOGS AND NEW SHOWS: Vintage Broadcasts** (Andy Blatt), Box 50065, Staten Island, NY 10305; 1-800-418-1445; Mar-Apr supplement has Terry and the Pirates, Rocky Jordan, Rocky Fortune, Chandu and others...**Redmond Nostalgia Company** (David Kiner), Box 82, Redmond, WA 98073 is selling...**Great American Radio** (Gary Kramer), Box 504, Genesee, MI 48437; Jan catalog; many shows including Destination Venus; Terry and the Pirates; This is Your FBI...Feb catalog includes Captain Midnight, Barry Craig, Damon Runyon Theater, My Friend Irma...Mar catalog contains Calling All Cars, Frank Race; Frontier Town, Mark Trail, others...**Max Schmid (Schmidco Entertainment Enterprises)**. Write him at 44-05 Newtown Rd., Long Island City, NY 11103 <mschmid@escape.com>.

**ZBS Foundation**, RR1 Box 1201, Ft. Edward, NY 12828 (1-800-662-3345) has many programs for sale. They distribute the Jack Flanders series; The Ruby series and others. They first introduced Jack Flanders in The Fourth Tower of Inverness in 1972...**Hello Again, Radio**, Box 6176, Cincinnati, OH 45206; latest supplement has a variety including Dizzy Dean Sports, songs by Sinatra, Rudy Vallee...**Nothing's New** (Roger Hill), #23 Bayhill Shopping Ctr., San Bruno, CA 94066 (415) 871-6063 has much in the way of nostalgia including many radio shows on cassettes (Campbell Playhouse, FM&M, Pepper Young's Family, NBC University Theater; many vintage movies on VHS...**Ed Carr**, 216 Shaner St., Boyertown, PA 19512 has the first 5 reels of Perry Mason ready; for cassette users Ed has the next 10 cassettes (the 3rd set) ready; also Ed has 20 episodes of Editor's Daughter available. More will be forthcoming. Ed

also has new Connie Boswell from 1946.. **Radio Spirits** (Carl Amari), Box 2141, Schiller Park, IL 60176; Mar/Apr supplement has 2 new Lum and Abner (10/10/48 and 2/27/49)...**Radio Memories** (Ted Davenport), 1600 Wewoka, North Little Rock, AR 72116 Special #6 has Mysterious Traveler, 1935 Lum and Abner, Mel Blanc, Halls of Ivy including 3 new ones (2/10/50, 6/28/50, 7/5/50)...**SPERDVAC Library** has added many new Family Theater from 1948 through 1950. also there are new Fitch Bandwagon (1/20/46), Fabulous Dr. Tweedy (7/21/46); 2 Jerry Lester shows and Danny Kaye (3/17/45)...**Dave Siegel**, 419 Granite Springs Rd., Yourtown Hts., NY 10598 has updated a few pages and has these new shows; more I Was A Communist For the FBI; I Cover Hollywood; Imperial Leader (Australian story of Winston Churchill); 4 Inheritance; In My Opinion; many Inside Track; 2 Reels of International General Electric Program (1938 - 41); 2 It Happened in the Service; 2 It's a Racket; It's Always Sunday; many new Guest Star...**Adventures in Cassettes**, 5353 Nathan Lane North, Plymouth, MN 55442 (1-800-328-0108). 89th and 90th edition; They have about 44 new skits taken from Good News and Maxwell House Coffee Time (1939 - 1942) in 2 Collections (12 cassettes). They also have much more...A company called **Brilliance Corp.** (1-800-222-3225) has issued 16 cassettes of 32 Sherlock Holmes. They contain many new shows from 1946 and 1947. You can order from them or your favorite book store.

**NEW FRIENDS AND RETURNEES:** **John Gardner**, Staddles, Station Road, Cheddar, Somerset, BS27 3AH, England...**Larry Backstedt**, Box 296, Huguenot, NY 12746...**John Smothers**, 22 Townsend Dr., Freehold, NJ 07728 needs a source where he can purchase some colored open reel leader tape...**Bernie Jacobson**, 6385 Prairie Flower, Roscoe, IL 61073...**Tim Evans**, Cherokee Station, Box 20569, New York, NY 10021 is looking for any tapes of The Cliquot Club, especially with Mrs., Pennyfeather and Raymond Knight...**Gary Shehan**, 1014 W. Virginia Ave., Peoria, IL 61604 (309) 682-7851 is looking any Al Pearce Shows that contain Tizzie Lish character...**Alex Nevil** (818) 386-0990 is looking for any shows with his father, Charles Nevil. Alex said he was in The Shadow...**Walden Hughes**, 2527 Duke Pl, Costa Mesa, CA 92626...**Alex Kaplan**, 2617 Middlelane Rd., Cary, IL 60013...**Warren Jones**, 544 Princeton Cir. W., Fullerton, CA 92831...**Darryl Parr**, 3413 South 5th St., Springfield, IL 62703...**George O'Reilly**, 8, The Sycamores, Grove Road, Malahide, Co. Dublin, Ireland...**Ron Jones**, Box 788 Station B, Willowdale, Ontario, M2K 2R1 Canada will buy or trade comedy, mystery, science fiction on cassette or reel...**Sy Palo**, 21 N. Binnacle Dr., Little Egg Harbor, NJ 08087...**Jay Rozgonyi**, 1302 E State St., Ithaca, NY 14850...**Kim Jarem**, 209 Mountain Dr., Pittsfield, MA 01201...**Jim Farst**, 2240 S. Sashabaw Rd., Ortonville, MI 48462...**William Kizer**, 116 Fredonia Ave., Lynchburg, VA 24503 is trying to find a copy of Tom Price's F M & M Log. I have lost contact with Tom and would like to know if any are available...**Peter Comfort**, 4225 31st St. N, Arlington, VA 22207...**R. A. Brockelman**, 56 Cross St., Lunenburg, MA 01462...**Dr. Erik Carlson**, 6867 Chantilly, Dallas, TX 75214.. **Peter Hubchak**, 301 E. Ashdale St., Philadelphia, PA 19120...**David Klobus**, 422 Washington Ave., Eustis, FL 32726 (352) 483-1766 is working on a Jackson Beck Documentary. He would like any significant radio segments, pictures, memorabilia, etc...**William Fitzgerald**, 306 Curtis Ave., Carle Place, NY 11514...**Don Bishop**, Box 4075, Overland Park, KS 66204.. **Joel Cadbury**, 610 Donald's Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850...**Wale Hopper**, 1312 Ash St., Denver, CO 80220 is looking for any information on Jean King, The Lonesome Gal. There apparently were other people with similar names such as Jean Paul King plus another Jean King. Any help on the different Jean Kings?...**Amanda Staley**, 13404 Kenton Station, Morning View, KY 41063 is writing an essay on radio broadcasting and its effects on society during World War II. She would like any information available.

**OLD FRIENDS:** **Joe Russell**, Box 216, Mapleville, RI 02839 has many OTR records for sale including Golden Age, Mar-Bren, Mark 56, Murray Hill, Nostalgia Lane, Radiola...**John Barber**, Box 70711, New Orleans, LA 70172 has some original comics for sale including Action

Comics (#459; May 1976) for \$35; 1987 Doc Savage; 1969 Flash Gordon; 1990 Green Hornet.. **Harold Feinstein**, 14050 Cedar Rd. #517, University Heights, OH 44118 is looking for a TDK Cassette copy of "Noon Wine" with Beulah Bondi from NBC University Theater. . .**Geraldine Hawkins** (Correction to previous entry), 18 Gramercy Park South, New York, NY 10003 (212) 677-6200 is still looking for information about Paul Sutton (Sgt. Preston) and wants to find broadcasts of King Arthur, Jr. starring Jerry Tucker. . .**Ernest Hack**, 2860 SE 20th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32641 wants to know what can be done to preserve OTR shows on Tape, especially tapes made over 25 years ago. Ernest is also looking for parts to a 985 Ampex Music Center. This machine is a reel tape recorder combined with a radio. He needs a belt. Ernie would like to hear from his Connecticut friends and others who traded with him years ago...**Allan Ropchan**, 8923-84 Ave., Edmonton, Alberta, Canada T6C 1E3 has 3500 reels of OTR for trading. Will dub to cassette for swapping. BBC comedy is his specialty...**Jim Parish**, 4338 Gentry Ave. #1, Studio City, CA 91604 is looking for authors with mainstream book projects in the performing arts and popular culture for publication by new trade book publisher. Send query **not** manuscript.

**IN FOND MEMORY:** **Bill Zuckert**, Jan 23; 81; Bill and his wife, Gladys Holland, were frequent guests at our convention...**Godfrey Basely**; late Jan, 92; creator of The Archers, BBC comedy still on the air since Jan 1, 1951...**Marjorie King Winblad**; Jan 30; 86; writer, producer, emcee on radio and TV; acted in Detroit shows such as the Lone Ranger, Green Hornet (not listed in reference books) ...**Marjorie Reynolds**, Feb 1, 79; actress (On one Lux)...**Bud Abbott, Jr.**, Jan 19, 57; Son of the comedian. With Chris Costello, ran Abbott and Costello Fan Club. Bud was at our convention a few years ago...**Sheldon Stark**, Feb 6, 87; writer (Straight Arrow)...**Robert Ridgley**, Feb 8, 65; character actor (Radio voice-overs)...**Robert Sarnoff**, Feb 22, 78; Former president of NBC...**John Loveton**, Jan 17, 84; radio director and TV producer (Your Hit Parade, The Shadow, Goodwill Hour)...**Karl Landt**, Mar 5, 88; Karl was a singer with the Landt Trio, very active in radio...**Granville Klink, Jr.**, Mar 18, 87; Engineer at WSVJ (WTOP) from 1937 on. Worked on network shows (Arthur Godfrey, Gene Autry, Fred Waring)...**Bill Johnstone**, recently, 89; one of the most active and versatile radio actors; The Shadow from 1934 - 1943 except for the Orson Welles years.

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