

A PERSONAL NOTE: In this issue are highlights of the convention including statements by Jackson Beck and Charles Michelson concerning trading and selling... Also Mel Shlank has stopped selling blank tape and Carol Witte has started... Several people have suggested I charge for ads in which people sell things. Up to now I have printed anything anyone wants--mostly program wants. If anyone is selling a product and wants me to mention it, at least send a sample of the product. This has been done in most instances and has been appreciated... Hope you all had a quiet Halloween and voted for someone. Unfortunately neither McGovern nor Nixon took a stand on our hobby...

THE CONVENTION: The second convention of SAVE (Society of American Vintage-Radio Enthusiasts) was successfully held on the 28th and 29th in New Britain, Ct. About 150 people attended. Special guests present were Raymond Edward Johnson, William Spier, Charles Michelson, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Beck, Peg Lynch and her daughter, Astrid Ronning, Evelyn (Evie) Juster, Mary Jane Higby, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Bower, Richard Dana and Ken Groot, executive secretary of AFTRA, New York Chapter... Charles Michelson gave a lengthy talk on his role in the field and how he got started. The discussion became a little heated as the topic turned to copyrights, legalities, and whether people can trade, sell to individuals or sell to radio stations... Jackson Beck commented afterward from the actor's (AFTRA) point of view. The entire afternoon talk and evening proceedings are on tape and will be distributed by Roy Bright. Details on price, etc. will be mentioned later when I have the information... The positions of Charles Michelson and Jackson Beck concerning traders and sellers will follow later... The evening dinners, hosted by Dick Bertel and Ed Carcoran, featured comments and talks by all the guests. Special awards were presented to William Spier and Raymond Edward Johnson by Sal Trapani, general chairman of the convention... Among our trader friends in attendance were Roy and Eleanor Bright and Pat Murray who traveled from Illinois and Michigan respectively. Don Brush entertained on the organ during dinner playing from his list of over 150 radio theme songs... Various people taped private interviews and conversations. If they are available for distribution, let me know... If anyone found a Zippo cigarette lighter marked ITT it belongs to Ray Stanich, 173 Columbia Heights, Brooklyn, NY 11201

TITLES AND DATES: The correct title of INNER SANCTUM Elixir of Perpetual Life with R Widmark is "The Man Who Couldn't Die" 2/12/46... Harold Cox, 552 Plumas Ave, Oroville, Cal 95965 has two AFRS shows from Mystery Playhouse entitled "The Letter" 12/28/44 and "Man in the Velvet Hat" 12/19/44. He is looking for the correct series title.

DEATHS: Leo G Carroll, 80. Among other things Carroll played Topper on television in the 50's... Ed Adamson, 58, on Oct. 2. Adamson wrote such shows as SAM SPADE, FAT MAN, FBI IN PEACE AND WAR. He did much work for television including BANYON which he created and produced... Cliff Hall, 78, Oct 5. Cliff Hall was best known as Charlie on the JACK PEARL SHOW... Harry Richmond, 77, Nov 3. Among other things Harry Richmond was on with the Dodge Orchestra in the 30's.

PUBLICATIONS AND ACTIVITIES: Roger Hill, 1231 Grove #11, San Francisco, Cal 94117 has a number of scripts from the author of THOSE WE LOVE. Most of the scripts have author notations. Roger is selling them for \$3.00 for 5 scripts. Specify if you want consecutive scripts or not. Much of the money will go to the author, Agnes Ridgway... Bob Joseph



\$3.50 IS DUE FOR ANOTHER YEAR IF THE BOX IS CHECKED

says all refunds should be sent out by end of the year...For \$1.00 you can buy a checklist of series and individual titles published in the United States which refer to wireless, radio, telegraph, telephone, television, photography, moving pictures. The title of the publication is DIME NOVELS DEVOTED TO RADIO AND MOTION PICTURE SUBJECTS: 1890-1950. Write Christopher Sterling, Radio-TV, Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa 19122. This revision was done in October of this year...Roger Hill and two others are in the process of forming a nonprofit corporation called North American Radio Archives Ltd. They will try to be the first legal organization for seeking out and preserving radio memorabilia. Details will be mentioned next month...

LOGS AND LISTINGS: I just typed a complete relisting of my JACK BENNY which will be sent to people I trade with in the course of my normal correspondence with them. If anyone else wants a copy of it right now just send a SASE. I think it is one of the largest listings of Benny's among active traders. It has 125 dated shows, 26 of the edited 1957-58 group and 15 miscellaneous AFPS items such as COMMAND PERFORMANCE and HERE'S TO VETERANS. It lists the shows chronologically...I mentioned last month that Dave Howe, Box 21, Birch Harbor, Me 04613 has a listing of the LONE RANGER (about 125). Note it is not a complete log but a listing of his shows. It lists the shows alphabetically by opening lines with additional titles also where known. This could be used as a guide. He is looking for more titles. Just send a SASE with 2 stamps...New log from Ray Stanich: RADIO CITY PLAYHOUSE: complete 7/3/48-1/1/50. Send a SASE...The first INNER SANCTUM LOG, although incomplete, has been prepared by Dick Dodge, 24 West Jamestown, Stockton, Cal 95207. It reflects all available information in the New York Times and goes from the first show, 1/7/41 to the final one 10/5/52. Although it is incomplete it helped me fill in a lot of dates. To cover xeroxing and postage send \$1.00 to Dick for the log...The one thing it doesn't mention is the sponsor and network although it lists all changes in day and time. Using a little detective work here are the networks and sponsors--some changes in my network list: 1/7/41-3/11/41, NBC, Carter, Tues//3/16/41-fall 41, NBC, Carter, Sun//Fall 41-8/29/43, Sus, ABC, Sun//9/4/43-11/18/44, Colgate, CBS, Sat//11/22/44-12/27/44, Colgate, CBS, Wed//1/2/45-6/18/46, CBS, Lipton, Tues//7/29/46-4/17/50, CBS, Bromo, Mon//9/4/50-6/18/51, ABC, Mars, Mon//6/22/52-10/5/52, Sus, Sun.

QUIZ: Only 2 ^{people} answers to the September quiz. It must be too hard. The November one will be easier. Don Patrissi and Allen Rockford were the 2 entries and both are receiving 4 hours of programs. ANSWERS: 1. Johnny Dollar 2. Tales of Vienna Woods 3. Nightbeat 4. Excerpt from Scotch Poem by MacDowell 5. Latitude Zero 6. Cairo, Egypt and Detective Thurston (Man Called X) and Rocky Jordon 7. Craigs Falls 8. Jesse Crawford 9. Teddy 10. Charita Bauer and Theodore Getz...Keep sending answers in for October quiz. NOVEMBER QUIZ: 1. Who was more powerful than a locomotive 2. Swing and Sway with _____ 3. What 2 cities were the centers for soap operas 4. What was the first boxing match broadcast 5. What theme song replaced "How can I Leave You" for just 6 weeks to satisfy a sponsor 6. What was the show HOT COPY about 7. Norwegian Dance by Grieg was theme of what show 8. Name one network show sponsored by Tip Top Bread. It was on for 2 years in the 40's 9. What was the modern story seen through the window of a woman's heart 10. What soap opera took place in Westlake, New England.

RAY DODGE

YOU AND THE LAW: Jackson Beck and Charles Michelson gave their views on trading and selling at the convention. The following is from a letter sent to me from Mr. Beck who is an active member of AFTRA:... "We actors are pleased, flattered and honored that you fans of old-time radio think

enough of us and our work to collect it and keep it and us in your hearts. We have no objection to your trading and selling to EACH OTHER. ...It becomes a different matter entirely when you cease being a fan and go into the business of retailing the old shows and then selling it as program material to a broadcaster, so that he, in turn, can make it available for commercial sponsorship. When that happens, when our work is then resold for entertainment purposes and someone begins to syndicate it and make a living out of our efforts, it leaves the area of the collector-fan and becomes a business proposition and we think we should have a piece of the action. We just don't enjoy being exploited!..The following is a summary of Charles Michelson's remarks about trading and selling...Mr. Michelson has no objection to people trading shows to each other. He also has no objection to individuals selling to each other, even the material such as the SHADOW, which he has the rights for. His one objection is against those who sell his copyrighted material to radio stations for commercial broadcast...

PERSONALITIES: I recently was loaned many old pieces of sheet music of the popular songs of the 20's. The condition varies. Many, of course, have pictures of performers such as Al Jolson and Eddie Cantor on the covers. Is there a market for original popular sheet music of the 20's and 30's. If anyone is interested in specific items let me know and I will see if I have it. I have not catalogued the sheets but there are over 100 of them. One is Recollections by Erno Rapee. The cover shows him conducting the Mobiloil Concert Orch which was on WEAF on Wednesday evenings. Does anyone have any background on this program? Copyright date of sheet is 1929.

TAPE DECK AND BLANK TAPE: Mel Shlank has officially stopped selling tape. He was unable to devote the time to it and received no help. I am happy to announce that Carol Witte, 194 Wyndcliff Rd, Scarsdale, NY 10583, will be selling Capitol Tape at reasonable prices. Capitol is the only brand she is selling and you must buy in groups or multiples of 12. Prices include all postage and handling costs. 12 1200 ft reels are \$15.00...12 1800 ft reels are \$20.00...On all defective tapes, Carol will give you a refund or credit on the next order. All orders will go out no later than the day after she receives it. She has on stock 500 1800-ft reels and 100 1200 ft...If Mel has an old order of yours that isn't filled, write Carol. She will try to get the check from Mel and fill the order...John Olsen Jr, 2229 SE Pine St, Hillsboro, Oregon 97123 has further information on Oregon Magnetic tape. Although the price is \$1.65 for 1800-ft tape, when bought in lots of 50 it can be bought for \$1.40...Don Kochnemann reminds us to be careful about $\frac{1}{4}$ -track recording for those with $\frac{1}{2}$ -track recorders. Don't record on the outside tracks ~~only~~ if there is material on the inside tracks. Also send new tape. Bulk erasing leaves noise on the unused portion heard on a $\frac{1}{2}$ -track machine. When recording on the outside track, leave the inside track off to eliminate possible faint cross-talk...Alan Betz remarks about an article I printed several months ago on X-rays from a TV set. Alan is a TV technician...1. A properly adjusted color set does not produce a measurable flux of X-rays...2. Only a very, very large dose (very much greater than a lethal dose to a human) would probably make the plastic base brittle...3. Color TV sets have a fairly husky power transformer, which may produce moderate AC magnetic fields on a part of the cabinet. These fields are not strong enough to erase the tape but may cause print-through.

MAILING: Richard Arnold, 103 South Oak St, California, Mo 65018 is selling parcel post labels for tape packages, catalogs, etc. They are \$1.00 per hundred.

LET THE BUYER BEWARE: Tom Cole, Mostalgia in Miami, Jim Harmon (very slow), Richard Casciello, Wil Dufour, Dwight Lindley (erratic and slow), Owens Pomeroy...To clarify my position, I have received complaints about these people, have written to them at least once, have received no response. Let me know of any problems only if you have written and/or called the person and have received no response.

SUSPENSE LOG: I am still waiting for a few dates before I reprint my log. I have mentioned them before with no results but I'll try again. If you know, definitely, of the shows on these dates and/or cast let me know. On some items there is conflicting information...6/54-10/54 especially 6/22/54 and 7/6/54...8/2-8/30/55...8/58-12/58...9/6-9/27/59. ...Also I have no date for Miefire with (w) W Conrad...Shipment of Mute Fate w J Kelly...Waxworks w W Conrad...The Murderess w C Lewis...The Earth Abides...Rim of Terror w B Whiting///On a Country Road w H Bartel

COLLECTORS LIST: Still have a lot more left (\$1.00) and a lot more supplements (# 1) BASE. If you aren't on it send name, age, job, number of programs and special interests.

NEW ADDRESSES: Frank Dacey, Box 117, Bronx, NY 10470...Richard Pierce, R# 3 Ridge Rd, Elizabethtown, Pa 17022

HERE AND THERE: Old Friends: Roger Hill is again teaching a class at UC Berkeley in the spring called PROGRAMS, PROFITS AND PERSONALITIES: American Radio from 1920-1965...Phil Callan has received a bit of literature but is not an active trader...Stu Weiss had some transcriptions for sale but they are all sold now...Ralph Miller, Box 160, Allston, Ma 02134 is looking for radio premiums as well as radio shows...Alan Betz, Box 33806 Station D, Vancouver 9, BC Canada is looking for the complete title of a program concerning "the solution to the problem of living space at Sheffle House". In the story residents of Sheffle House break into the apartments of their neighbors and take over rooms by force. Alan would like a complete copy of the show...Dave Dixon, 5976 Highbury St, Vancouver 13, BC Canada is looking for GILLETTE COMMUNITY SING and THE HAWK...Chuck Kalen has all the SPEED GIBSON SHOWS for trade (3310 Warrensville Center Rd, Shaker Heights, Ohio 44122)...Don Maris started this show as well as the series of JACK ARMSTRONG starting to make the rounds...Ed Peck, 1033 Gypsum, Salina, Kan 67401 is looking for TALES OF TOMORROW and SHADOW. He has 90 and is looking for more...Len Lawson, 1206 Notre Dame Ct, Livermore, Cal 94550 has part 1 and 3 of LUX RADIO THEATER "And Now Tomorrow" and parts 2 and 4 of LUX "Merton of the Movies." Anyone have complete shows or other parts...Bob Joseph, Box 3402 Seminole, Fla 33542 had a nice write up in the Clearwater Sun. Bob is now trading and selling shows full time and will shortly be out with a supplement to his catalog. It will have 1600 more shows. It will be available for \$1.00 or will exchange it for your catalog or supplements to catalogs he already has...Don Koehnemann, 811 Britol Ave, Westchester, Ill 60153 is looking for someone who will trade 1/2 or 2 track and has JUBILEE or ONE NIGHT STANDS. Don has a wealth of Big band and jazz material for trade...Leon Slate, 17600 Ave, 288, Exeter, Cal 93221 is looking for Rock and roll radio and/or TV shows including THE BIG BEAT and AMERICAN BANDSTAND. Also would like paper material on R & R from the same period; 1955-63, such as magazines, top ten listings, etc... Bob Ellsworth received a letter from a collector who was interested in trading but has replaced it. If someone has written to Bob but hasn't heard from him you might be the one. Please write again.

NEW FRIENDS: James Hitt, 537 New Jersey Ave, Norfolk, Va 23508...Ted Hake, 115 So 21st St, Philadelphia, Pa 19103. Ted attended the convention and specializes in radio premiums...Lawrence Rao, 416 East 8th St,

Brooklyn, NY 11218--has about 200 shows...Jerry Threat, 4344 University Dr, Charlotte, NC 28209...Eddie Lockhart, 8501 S. Country Club Dr, Oklahoma City, Okla 73159...J C Bray, Box 98, Green Lane, Pa 18054... Richard Asmus, 8401 18 Mile Rd, apt 232, Sterling Heights, Mich 48078. Gerald Higgins, 18 Mead St, Charlestown, Ma 02129. Gerald wants to trade or buy 8-track cartridges. Gerald is a train collector...Herbert Carlin, 500 Malden Ave, La Grange Park, Ill 60525...Clyde Davis, 1161 N Main Lot #15, North Canton, Ohio 44720...

NEW PROGRAMS: Received newest catalog of Don Maris in which is included the new JACK ARMSTRONG and SPEED GIBSON (Box 2513, Norman, Okla 73069...Dave Lowell, 37 Country Club Dr, Woodbridge, Ct 06525 has a new supplement with many new LETS PRETEND I haven't seen listed before. They have CBS aircheck...In my collection several new SUSPENSE including Voice of Company A 8/3/58

RADIO IS ALIVE AND WELL: WEPR, 90.1 FM, Greenville, SC; 8:30 four nights a week various shows...WMPH; Norfolk, Va area; nostalgic music and LUM AND ABNRE Mon-Sat at 2:45 PM...Charles Michelson has placed into radio syndication another 26 FIBBER MCGEE AND MOLLY bringing the total to 52. About 42 stations are carrying them now. Charles Michelson mentioned at the convention that occasionally the tapes he sends to radio stations for broadcast never get returned. He would just like us to keep our eyes open for any of his tapes that may have wandered from the radio station (45 W 45th St, New York, NY 10036)...WKND; 1580 AM, Aurora, Ill Mon, Wed, Fri mornings at 9:30; various shows.

LONE RANGER NOT A RACIST: The American Indian movement lobbied successfully against KQRS from playing the Lone ranger. They said the show had racist qualities. The show was taken off the air. The following letter was sent in to the Minneapolis Tribune soon afterwards by Kevin Hancer, an authority on the program (contributed by Ron Sharon)...

The American Indian is far too sensitive about this. As a matter of fact it attacked a character who was a great exponent of racial equality. Indians were shabbily treated more often than not, especially in children's literature. The notable exception was the Lone Ranger. I have read over a dozen Lone Ranger novels, over 1100 Lone Ranger comic books and all the Lone Ranger pulp magazines. I have seen most of the Lone Ranger movies and listened to over 50 shows. In all of these one fact bears out: The Lone Ranger was no racist...I quote from Lone Ranger Comics #125 Dec., 1959, in which the Lone Ranger talks to a man who bullied Tonto. "I was just doing it for laughs. What does an Indian mean to you." "Tonto means a great deal to me. I respect all people for all races and creeds helped make our West grow!...Tonto spoke Spanish and numerous Indian tongues before being exposed to English. Like many people with that kind of background, he had trouble with our language. One must also realize that in the American West, Spanish and Indian languages were used nearly as much as English. Beyond that, The Amer. Ind. Movement should realize that the Lone Ranger spans a period of only 10 years, not 20... The character of Tonto, according to the creator of the series, George Trendle, was created despite the fact that all other Western radio heroes had white sidekicks, because I wanted to show that great men--truly great men--have no racial prejudices...AIM, through ignorance and oversensitivity, has caused this harmless old show to go off the air, merely succeeding in ending the fun for those who enjoyed this nostalgic old radio program.

LATE NEWS AND TIDBITS: More on the convention:...Roy Bright, 2929 Pt. Philomena Ct, Peoria, Ill 61604 is distributing the SAVE convention tape. It contains a long talk by Charles Michelson and short ones by

Jackson Beck, William Spier, Raymond Edward Johnson, Peg Lynch, Evie Juster, Roger Bower, Mary Jane Higby and others. The tape is recorded 2 track on a 1200 foot reel and may be purchased for \$2.50 to cover the cost of the tape and postage along with an additional dollar that Mr. Sal Trapani has asked that you send along as a donation to SAVE to help offset some of the added expense of the convention. (From Roy's letter I am not really sure whether the \$2.50 includes the extra dollar or whether the total price is \$3.50)...There was quite a bit of press coverage. Besides a lengthy article in the Hartford Times, there were shorter articles in the New York Times, Washington Post and Detroit News...

Dead at 85 is Reginald Owen, movie and television personality...KTAD, FM, Los Gatos, Cal area; various shows on Wed. nights for 2 hours... Jo Anne Verigin had an informal planning session at her house in California. If a Western convention materializes I will let you know... Randy Eidemiller, 3465 Santa Clara Cir, Costa Mesa, Cal 92626. Randy has only one recorder at present and has about 300 shows including 125 ESCAPE. He is interested in ESCAPE, LIGHTSOUT, MYSTERIOUS TRAVELER, QUIET PLEASE, SUSPENSE and others. Also he is looking for information and programs about THE CITY, on for CBS from 1/26/47-5/18/47. Randy also has many rare comic books for trade including Captain America #1-10 and a large collection of books on science fiction and fantasy including many Arkham House books...Harold Callanon, 22 Boyd St, Watertown, Ma 02172 is looking for any WC Field material...WBUR, FM in the Boston area is broadcasting THE SHADOW...Roy Bright reminds me that Nostalgia Radio in Peoria belongs to Chuck Wooley, not himself...George Miller, 9733 S. 51st Ave, Oak Lawn, Ill 60453 is looking for old kinescopes, films, and early video tapes of television programs, especially the ones that started on radio. Can you get them from TV stations. It would be wise to try to preserve them before they are inadvertently thrown out by TV stations. Write George if you have comments on this... COVER was sent in by John Warden and redrawn by my son Jeff. Hope you recognize the Green Hornet...LOGS, DOGS: Pat Murray, 1756 Washtenaw Rd, Ypsilanti, Mich 48197 has two more logs in addition to his SHADOW LOG (\$2.25). They are a complete GREEN HORNET LOG (10/40-12/52...\$2.25) and SHERLOCK HOLMES (1930-55 with some gaps...\$2.25). Both are \$4.00. They will be available in 2 to 3 weeks...Bernard Gerzevske, 415-6th St NW, Plainview, Minn 55964...WRVR, 106.7 FM in New York City recently ran a week of THE LONE RANGER and FIBBER MCGEE AND MOLLY. If you are in the listening area and want more old time radio write John Wicklein, gen. mgr, WRVR-FM, 85 Claremont Ave, New York, NY 10017...Joseph Andolina Jr, 132 Madison St, Franklin Square, NY 11010 has the weeks programs and if you want them on cassette or reel contact him...A B Snider, RR 1 Box 142, Bloomfield, Ky 40008...NEW SHOWS: Just received from Don Koehnemann ROAD OF LIFE, 7/12/40 with "Dr. Brent..Call surgery" intog. Also major portion of KEN MURRAY 4/22/36 with Oswald and Eve Arden...

Saturday's mail brought no new news. It is now Nov. 11th. Keep sending your catalogs, news, etc. Mention HELLO AGAIN when writing to someone mentioned in here. Spread the word and have a happy Thanksgiving.

WRITE IF YOU GET WORK and HANG BY YOUR THUMBS.

Jay Hickerson, 6 Koczak Ct, North Haven, Ct 06473 (203)239-5251 \$3.50