

A PERSONAL NOTE: On Feb 14th, 1894, Jack Benny was born. He died on Dec. 27th, 1974. He brought a lot of love and laughter into everyone's hearts.

CORRECTIONS: CBS RADIO MYSTERY THEATER has not yet broadcast 800 different dramas as I stated last month. At the end of 4 years it had broadcast 763 different dramas, according to Jerry Appleman.

DATES AND TITLES: I am looking for the correct dates and/or titles of the following INNER SANCTUM: Carolyn Giles learns husband is murderer (Homicidal Maniac)..Auntie Ellen (Richards) thinks Gregory returned from the dead..Joe and Nancy, just married, watch a murder ..Death Ship..J Thompson drives across a bridge and picks up a girl (Girl by the Road)..Grace Denning waits for her father (Mr. Macabre) ..opens in a rose garden (F Narco, J Carter) written by Arnold Moss ..Death has Claws..Silent Passenger or Body in a Taxi..The Razor's Edge..Dead Reckoning.....Alan Kleinberger, 147-22 76 Ave, Flushing, NY 11367 looking for dates and details of ESCAPE series on NBC. He has three of them: ESCAPE FROM A RED CARNATION..from Easy Money..and from Autumn..Also if there is a SUSPENSE show called Earth Abides and the date.

IN FOND MEMORY: Sally Eilers, 69, Jan 5; movie actress of silent and early sound era...Walter Kiernan, 75, Jan 8; newspaper reporter and radio and TV commentator...Maurice Bailey, 83, Dec 29; manager of Shubert Theater in New Haven...Hal Davis, 63, Jan 11; president of the American Federation of Musicians...Arthur Sheekman, 76, Jan 12; movie writer...Don Gillis, 65, Jan 10; classical composer and former producer of NBC Symphony radio broadcasts under Arturo Toscanini... J Kermit Echols, 56, Jan 4; motion picture writer, producer, actor... Paul Blunt, Jan 2; country and western singer...Rae Warner, 80, Jan 15; vaudeville dancer...Hugh Rowlands, 64, Jan 5; Milwaukee TV personality. Also on radio: TOM MIX, DAN HARDINGS WIFE, FLYING PATROL... Charles Newman, Jan 9, 76; lyricist; wrote SWEETHEARTS ON PARADE; I CAN'T BELIEVE IT'S TRUE, many others...Victor Ames, 52, Jan 23; one of the Ames Brothers...Jack Oakie, 74, Jan 23; comedian, actor. Had his own radio show from 1936-38...Carl Betz, 56, Jan 18; film, legit, and television actor: DONNA REED SHOW 1958-63 and JUDD FOR THE DEFENSE 1967-69...Lewis Gensler, 81, Jan 15; composer; wrote LOVE IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER, others...Oscar Homolka, 79, Jan 29; film and TV actor...Allen Prescott, 74, Jan 27; on several New York area radio shows and frequently on Don McNeil's BREAKFAST CLUB... Tim McCoy, 87, Jan 29; last of the very early western actor-coyboy... Leo Genn, 72, Jan 26; movie and TV actor...Austin Trevor, 80, Jan 22; British character actor...Michael Bates, 57, Jan 11; veteran character actor...Wendy Barrie, 65, Feb 2; film and TV actress...Charlotte Greenwood, 87, Jan 18; radio, musical comedy and film actress. Had radio show in 1945...Adelaide Finn, 84, Jan 20; actress...Kelly Thordsen, 61, Jan 23; movie and TV character actor...Charles Peterson, 62, Jan 21; band leader and trumpet player...Alfred Brown, 80, Jan 28; character actor.

PUBLICATIONS: My best wishes go to Allen Rockford, co-editor of Nostalgia News. He recently was in the hospital and also lost his mother. With Don Richardson their last issue was 40 pages of news, logs, radio schedules...Latest issue of Airwaves finished the GUN-SMOKE log and had an article on video cassette recording equipment.



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BOOKS PUBLISHED IN late 1976 and 1977: MARCH OF TIME by Raymond Fielding; Oxford Press...NEW YORK TIMES ENCYCLOPEDIA OF TELEVISION by Les Brown; Times Books...COCKTAILS FOR TWO by Sam Coslow; Arlington Books...THE GREAT TELEVISION SERIES by Jeff Rovin; Barnes & Sons...OLD TIME RADIO BOOK edited by Ted Sennett; Pyramid...FROM MA PERKINS TO MARY HARTMAN by Robert LaGuardia; Ballantine Books...WHATEVER BECAME OF...1st and 2nd giant annuals by Richard Lamparski; Bantam...WHO'S WHO IN HOLLYWOOD 1900-1976 by David Ragan; Arlington Books...THE JACK BENNY SHOW by Milt Josefsberg; Arlington...FROM MARY NOBLE TO MARY HARTMAN by Edmondson and Rounds; Stein & Day...GOLDEN YEARS OF BROADCASTING by Robert Campbell; Scribners...TUNE IN YESTERDAY by John Dunning; Prentice-Hall...FILMGOERS COMPANION by Leslie Halliwell; 6th edition; Hill & Wang...STORY OF I LOVE LUCY by Bart Andrews; Popular Library...DAYTIME TV'S STAR DIRECTORY edited by Paul Denis; Popular Library.

Two new books are; THE TV BOOK edited by Judy Foreman; Workman Pub. Co...SOAP OPERA BOOK by Manuela Soares; Latham Pub....On Jan 5th THE WATER ENGINE opened at the New York Shakespeare Festival's Cabaret Theater. The setting is a Chicago radio studio in the 30's. You then watch a play put on at the studio. It was done on EARPLAY Dec 1, 1977.

CATALOGUES AND NEW SHOWS: Jim Blythen 170 Walters Ave, Merrillville, Ind 46410; 14 reels of shows from discs including RED RYDER, SCARLET QUEEN, AMAZING MR. MALONE, 1930's musical material. Will trade for discs or 1st or 2nd generation dubs...Just received from Joe Webb new J BENNY 10/29/44 with Fred Allen and early Allen's Alley cast...Josh Bray, Box 98, Green Lane, Pa 18054; several hundred reels of news, sports and documentaries. About largest collection available. virtually every newscaster; King of England visit in 1939, Bicentennial programs, I WAS THERE. One reel; which Josh sent me was a CAVALCADE OF MUSIC concert given by ASCAP on Sep 24, 1940 at Treasure Island, San Francisco. The 6-hour concert apparently was not broadcast. It was divided into 2 parts. The 3-hour afternoon session consisted of classical music of the day conducted by the composers themselves. Composers featured were Roy Harris, Howard Hanson, Richard Hogama, Charles Cadman, William Still, Deems Taylor. The 3-hour evening program consisted of popular music, most of which was played and/or sung by the composers. Masters of Ceremonies were Gene Buck and Deems Taylor. Most known composers of the day were there including Jerome Kern, Harry Warren, Rainger and Robin, Walter Donaldson. This was the largest gathering of composers ever assembled...Ray Stanich, 173 Columbia Hts, Brooklyn, NY 11201 has new CAVALCADE OF AMERICA...Dave Siegel, 3192 Amelia Dr, Mohegan Lk, NY 10547 has 23 reels of COLUMBIA & CBS RADIO WORKSHOP. Close to 75 of the shows are new. I will be getting most of them. Most are in good sound.

LOGS: Ray Stanich has more: Family Hour (17pp); Harvest of Stars (8 pp); Chicago Theater of the Air (6 pp). Cost is 18¢ a page which includes postage...4 changes in the SHADOW LOG some of you have: 10/19/52 Fourth Strike is Death; 10/12/52 Pre-empted 3/15/53 Pattern of Death; 6/11/51 Stroke of Doom...Jerry Appleman, Box 33003, Northglenn, Col 80233 has complete log of General Mills ADVENTURE THEATER. Cost is 50¢...Just received fairly complete log of COLUMBIA WORKSHOP, COLUMBIA PRESENTS CORWIN and other related shows 1936-47. Ray Stanich is trying to verify a few more dates. If you have news sources, etc. and can help, write Ray

CONVENTION: Don't forget our next convention at the Bridgeport Holiday Inn on October 7th. I hope most of the previous guests who receive Hello Again will be able to come. Our first organizational meeting will be at Stu Weiss's house in Flushing, probably in April. If you wish to actively help contact Stu or myself. Tapes of the last convention are still available. Send two 18008 tapes to Joe Webb or myself.

NEWS OF THE PAST: Eddie Cantor was mad because Bing Crosby had a fourth son born January 5, 1938 (This and the following are from early 1938 Radio Guides). Constance Bennett sues Jimmy Fidler for \$250,000 for saying she was discourteous to Patsy Kelly...Buddy Clark appears on three different shows each week...On Feb 5th a new series, ALIAS JIMMY VALENTINE with Bert Lytell is broadcast...After the Adam & Eve sketch on Bergen & McCarthy the Crossley rating jumped to a new high of nearly 40 points.

(From Ed Carr) Dick Powell was born in Mt. View, Arkansas, Nov 14, 1904. His childhood ambition was to be a concert singer and his first job at \$15 a month was as office boy for Senator Jones of Arkansas...Loretta Young's lovely voice with its perfect fiction is one of the best known American voices in all China. In 1942 Loretta made recorded readings of an essay written by Madam Chiang Kai Shek which serves as a model for study in Chinese schools.

THE TAPE DECK: The Jan issue of Popular Electronics has a 2-page article on the Model 128 Dynamic Range Enhancer. If you want it send 20¢ and a SASE...I received a flyer from WIDL Video, 5325 N Lincoln, Chicago, Ill 60625 which advertises over 500 video supplies and accessories. Does anyone know about this firm.

GRIPES: I received one gripe that very often when a person asks for something in HA he doesn't get any response. I know that this is partly true but I know of others who have made good contacts. It's difficult to predict when you will get responses or not.

HERE AND THERE: New Address; Hal Peary, Box 3640, Manhattan Beach, Cal 90266. Hal was recently in the Kraft 75th anniversary TV special.

New Friends; David Knutson, 801 17th Ave So, St. Cloud, Minn 56301...Thomas Mastel, 14886 Branham Ln, San Jose, Cal 95124.

Old Friends: Don Koehnemann, 811 Bristol A, Westchester, Ill 60153 wants Benny show in which Jack arrives in Peoria, Ill. Don talked with Father William O'Rourke recently. He listens a lot but does not trade any more. Father O'Rourke was one of my early subscribers. Don also says that Chuck Schaden keeps himself very busy. Don is still looking for WTIC's Golden Age of Radio from April 1976, Dec 76 and March 1977. Also looking for a clean copy of Crosby 10/1/47 show for Philco. This is the first show done on tape...Mark Dereng, 6701 N Edgebrook Ter, Chicago, Ill 60646 wants WHATEVER BECAME OF Moe Howard and complete soundtrack of GIGI...Frank Belcour, 121 Day St, Auburn-dale, Ma 02166 wants material by Garwood Van and his Orch...Dave Swift, 38 Dartmouth St, Halifax, Ma 02338 wants good 1/4-track reel recorder and/or AM/FM receiver with plug in jacks...James Laidler, 551 Mariposa Ave, Ottawa, Ontario K1M 0S5 looking for SHERLOCK HOLMES especially with Rathbone and Bruce...Marty Lewin, 8836 N Lincolnwood Dr, Evanston, Ill 60203 wants to trade tapes of live jazz performances, swing and traditional. Marty already has many concerts, not airchecks. Len Lawson, 1206 Notre Dame Ct, Livermore, Cal 94550 has

an excellent lending library with over 400 reels. Gene Baedak, Box 4011, Vancouver V6B 3X4 wants MAYOR OF THE TOWN. He now has JUNGLE H JIM chapters 11-346. Gene has many uncirculated shows. Gene would like to hear from you but not until April.

Family Life: This is a new section of HERE AND THERE. If you have some news of a more personal nature such as births, marriages, special awards to members of your family, unusual happenings, this is where it will be...Richard Odlin tells me that he is divorced, like myself, and has 2 girls who enjoy OTR. Rick is interested in classical music and opera...Stu Weiss will celebrate 2 birthdays in March. His daughter, Ilene will be 6 on Mar 20th and his son, Matthew, will be one on March 24th. (I won't have the space for birthdays of all your children but I neglected to inform you of the birth of Matthew last year...Hugh Hadden has 350 hours of shows which are enjoyed by his wife and 2 children, 9 and 12...Gary Dixon announces the birth of another old radio buff on Jan 4th, 1978. Adam Henry Dixon weighed 7 lbs 12 ounces. Since he was nearly three weeks late in arriving, he was a child "Well-calculated to keep (his parents) in SUSPENSE".

RADIO IS ALIVE AND WELL: A new version of THE ORIGINAL AMATEUR HOUR is being planned for 1978-79. The program debuted on radio in 1935. The original TV producer and director are back. It will follow the same format as the old show but will add a segment on amateurs who got their start on the program such as Frank Sinatra, Ann-Margret, Beverly Sills, Redd Foxx...Kraft will celebrate its 75th year with a radio show on Feb 12th at 8 o'clock. Co-hosts will be Eddy Arnold and Ed Herlihy and the program will contain segments with all the great radio stars associated with the program when it was on radio such as Bing Crosby, Jimmy Durante, Al Jolson, Bob Burns. ...Ray Bradbury's THE MARTIAN CHRONICLES has been sold to NBC-TV as a 6-hour miniseries for possible fall 1978 airing...Mary Livingston makes her first appearance on the TONIGHT SHOW Feb 16th...The GRAND OLE OPRY is set to be telecast live from the Opry House March 4th to launch a PBS FESTIVAL OF ' series. It will mark the first time the 52-year-old show has been televised in its entirety...WBAL-FM in New York City has I LOVE A MYSTERY every day at 6 pm and on Saturday from 11 am to noon puts on X MINUS 1.

(From JERRY PERCHESKY) Box 444, Watsonville, Cal 95076. Jerry attended the PBS luncheon on the 20th and talked to Norman Corwin, Red Buttons and others. Got 4 interviews: Red Buttons, Jack Haley, Al Rinker, Bret Morrison. Also visited with Fred Brisson, Rosalind Russell's husband, and will be getting some material soon. Jerry tells me that Harold Hitch, a fellow collector of Arlington, Va died recently. He was 63. Harold was a subscriber in 1972. Jerry would like all the Norman Corwin material he can get. Will trade.

(From ED CARR) 216 Shaner St, Boyertown, Pa 19512. For beginners; Selling out OTR collection as it stands. Package of 5 reels, various sound quality for \$15.75 postpaid. Also buying 16 & 12 inch discs and Radio Guide 1934 and up in mint condition...Disc collectors; send me your wants, for sale, etc. I will be your clearing house, will put everything together and try to put you in contact with others who might be looking for what you have. I need your cooperation in this so need lists from everyone. Please enclose a couple of SASE with lists. No charge for this but if I do help you out would like one copy of any two shows I pick. Disc collectors, let me know.

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(From ROBERT LOZIER) 318 E Houston St, Monroe, NC 28110. Robert just completed a Heathkit Active Audio Processor (kit #AD-1304). It is effective in reducing tape hiss. Robert now has the following equipment between tape decks; 1. Active trebel and bass controls to make a coarse equalization of the program material. 2. A Soundcraftsmen graphic audio equalizer. 3. Active notch filters for getting rid of recorded 60 and 120 Hz. hum. 4. The Heathkit Audio Processor. 5. and soon a SAE 5000 impulse noise remover. Robert feels the only way to compensate for tape dropouts is to destroy all the defective tape///Robert has 3500 shows and wants to trade again with others with moderate collections and who take care in their dubbing. Looking for big band and comedy/variety shows of the 30's.

(From RALEIGH BARKER) 6206 Bankside Dr, Houston, Tx 77096. Raleigh visited the Museum of Broadcasting in New York and found that most of what they had was from TV but it looks promising. Also visited the Broadcast Pioneers Library in Washington DC. They are still actively collecting and cataloguing the history of broadcasting. Raleigh had a feature article about him and OTR in THE BEACON, a local newspaper.

(From Mike Ogden) 607 Collins Dr, Tallahassee, Fla 32303. Mike is engaged in a book-length research project on Orson Welles' career in radio and would appreciate hearing from anyone who can provide information pertinent to this subject. Looking for newly circulated MERCURY THEATERS and CAMPBELL PLAYHOUSE. Also HELLO AMERICANS: THE LADY ESTHER SHOW; & ORSON WELLES LEAR ALMANAC. Especially wants MERCURY THEATER Affairs of Anatol 8/22/38; Jane Eyre 9/18/38; Oliver Twist 10/2/38; The Pickwick Papers 11/20/38; Clarence 11/27/38; The Bridge of San Luis Rey 12/4/38. Mike has some date and title corrections: The EDGAR BERGEN show where Edgar and Welles speculate about life 50 years from now is 11/5/44; The program listed as MERCURY THEATER Moat Farm Murders 1938 is really an AFRS copy of MERCURY SUMMER THEATER 7/26/46; MERCURY WONDER SHOW with Lana Turner is ORSON WELLES ALMANAC 7/5/44. The dates that recently were listed as Welles SHADOW shows in 37-38 seem to be questionable, since Blue Coal sponsored the series from 9/26/37 to 3/20/38 and then Goodrich Tires did a transcribed series in the spring and summer. Many of the Goodrich shows, however, have been listed (erroneously) as 1937. ((Perhaps Ray Stanich can help here)). Does anyone know what company currently syndicated the Harry Alan Towers radio shows such as LIVES OF HARRY LIME, BLACK MUSEUM, THEATER ROYALE, etc?

I received several flyers this month. I enclose them as a favor to my readers when there is room on a first come basis. My mail goes out first class so I must limit myself to 4 sheets a month to keep the postage 13¢. Occasionally, as last month, I will do a double issue. The two flyers not enclosed will be enclosed next month. They are publicizing Nostalgia Radio News and Airwaves, both publications which I recommend.

I hope the bad weather all over the country has not affected you too badly. If this is a little late it is because another storm hit. It is now Sunday, Feb 12th.

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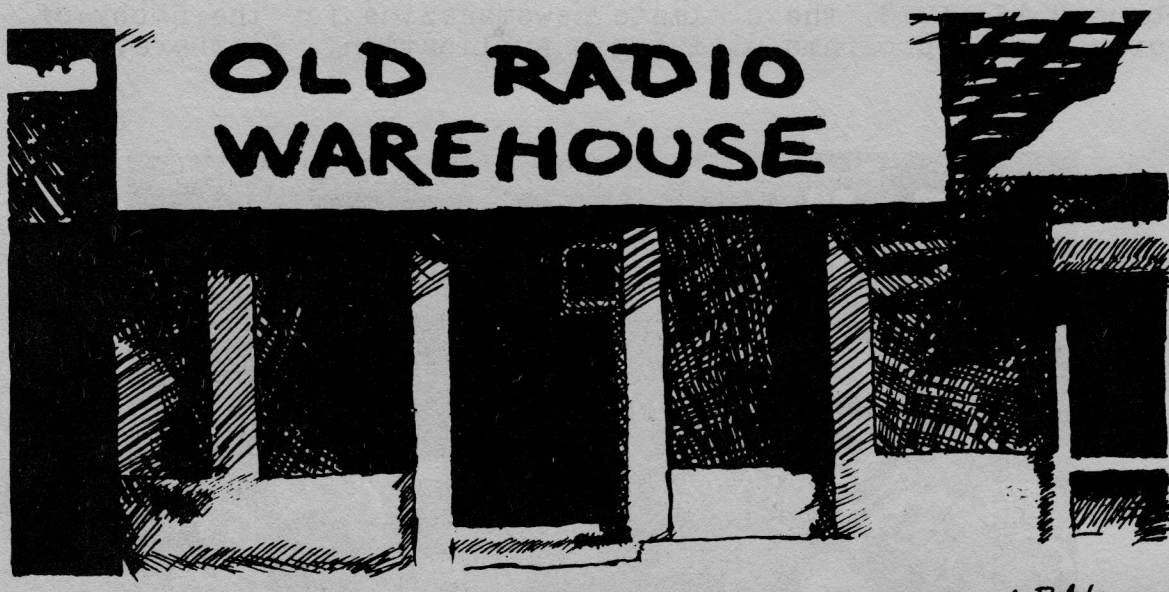
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