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REVISED ULTIMATE HISTORY: Just a reminder that this book was originally written in 1992 and is the first and original book listing Network radio programming and the shows that are in circulation.

The Fourth Supplement to the <u>Revised</u> Ultimate History is available for \$4.50 plus \$1.50 P&H. Supplements #1, 2, 3 and 4 are \$18 plus \$3.00 P&H. #2, 3 and 4 are \$13.50 plus \$1.50 P&H. #3 and 4 are \$9.50 plus \$1.50 P&H. The complete book including all 4 supplements is \$60 plus \$4 P&H.

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CONVENTION 2001: The dates are October 25 – 28

<u>CONVENTION 2000</u>: Dave Warren is the cover artist on our convention booklet. Convention Booklets are available for \$3.00 including P&H. FOTR microphone key chains which we gave out to all registrants are available for \$1.55 including P&H. Special 25th Anniversary small desk clocks are available for \$10 including P&H.

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PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED: RCA Newsletter, Aug; article about Suspense...Sep; article about Suspense...Oct; article about Al Jolson and black face...SPERDVAC Radiogram, Sep; article about Charles Flynn...Oct, article about War of the Worlds...Nov; article about Robert Rockwell; Bob Hope; Tom Corbett and Marilyn Monroe.. Nostalgia Digest, Oct – Nov; articles about The end of WMAQ; Eddie Cantor; Joan Davis; Ventriloquists; Edgar Bergen...On the Air, Sep – Oct; article about Carmen Cavallero; check their Web Site for Premiums <members.aol.com/grbmd>...National Audio Theater News, Summer – Fall; article about a visit from Norman Corwin...Chattanooga Airwaves, Sep – Oct; More radio Moments \$1 - 10...The Illustrated Press, Sep; article about Arthur Godfrey... Oct; article about Dr. I. Q ...Air Check, Vol 10 #3; All about their convention; also Ray Erlenborn writes...Return With Us Now, Oct; Radio's Moments #21 - 30...Nov; article about re-creating "Destination Freedom" with original personnel of 50 years ago...Jot 'em Down Journal, Oct; about the movie, "Dreaming Out Loud" with Lum and Abner...Radio Recall, Oct; articles about Eddie Cantor; luminous premiums; Tom

Mix...Tradition, Sep – Oct; articles about Hylo Brown; Ernest Tubbs; Johnny Cash; Art Galbraith; Elton Britt; Wade and Julia Mainer...Old Time Radio Digest, Fall; article on War of the Worlds and all programs relating to it...NARA News, Fall; articles about Ray Erlenborn; Lone Ranger; soap operas; Jimmie Davis; recording and new technology; Lum and Abner

BOOKS: (Most books can also be purchased at <www.lofcom.com/nostalgia/books/>, <Amazon.com> or <Barnesandnoble.com>. Greenwood Publishing Group (Box 5007, Westport, CT 06881) has published many bio-bibliographies in the performing arts. James Robert Parish is the series editor. 79 have been published. For a list or to order call 1-800-225-5800 or 1-203-226-3571...Have Gun, Will Travel Companion is the latest book by Martin Grams, Jr. with Les Rayburn. The 480+ page book has everything you ever wanted to know about the Radio and Television series. Cost is \$29.95. Order from Martin Grams. Jr, Box 189, Delta, PA 17314...McFarland has just published Mel Torme by George Hulme, 197 pages, \$49.95. It is a Chronicle of his recordings, books and films. It really doesn't cover radio but is very complete in the other areas. Call 1-800-253-2187 or 336-246-4460...Margaret O'Brien, a Career Chronicle and Biography was just written by Allan Ellenberger, also for McFarland. Cost of 253-page book is \$39.95. It does cover her radio career plus all other areas. you can call above number or visit their web site at <mcfarlandpub.com>.

CONVENTIONS:

15th Annual OTR and Nostalgia Convention, Apr 20 - 21, 2001 at the Radisson Hotel in Cincinnati. Contact Bob Burchett, 10280 Gunpowder Rd., Florence, KY 41042 (606) 282-0333.

Kate Smith Festival X1V, June 1 - 3, 2001, Lake Placid Resort, Lake Placid, NY. For in-

formation contact Sarah De Natale, 157 Tacoma Ave., Buffalo, NY 14216.

National Audio Theater Festival, June 18 - 24, 2001, William Woods Univ., Fulton, MO; For information call Sue Zizza, 115 Dikeman St., Hempstead, NY 11550 (516) 483-8321 <Suemedial@aol.com>. They also have a script contest.

REPS Radio Showcase IX, June 29 and 30 at the Seattle Center, Seattle Washington. Con-

tact Mike Sprague, Box 723, Bothell, WA 98041 (425) 488-9518 hrrmikes@aol.com

26th Old-time Country Music Contest and Festival, Aug 27 – Sep 1, 2001 at Pottawattamie Country Fairgrounds in Avoca, Iowa. For information contact Bob Everhart at Box 492, Walnut, IA 51577 (712) 762-4363 sobeverhart@yahoo.com>.

26th Friends of Old-time Radio Convention, Oct 25 – 28 at the Holiday Inn-North, Newark, NJ; For information contact Jay Hickerson, Box 4321, Hamden, CT 06514 (203) 248-

2887 < JayHick@aol.com>

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 to get on the mailing list for the Old Time Radio Digest (Round table) on the Internet, e-mail to this address: <old.time.radio-request@oldradio.net>...To get on Charlie Summers Old Radio Mailing list email <oldradio-request @oldradio.net>: Charlie's mailing list is a moderated one dedicated to Old Radio between the 1920's and the end of 1962...Sy Palo <hugobet@msn.com>

WEB SITES: Various OTR Web sites will be posted. Most begin with <www.> Let me know what yours is: Lou Genco (many collectors have their sites here including Vintage Broadcasts; Ted Davenport; Ed Carr; Fred Berney) <old-time.com>...Jim Widner <otr.com> (Radio Days)...Metro Golden Memories <mgmemories.com>... BRC (Bob Burnham)

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<www.lofcom.com/nostalgia/books/>...Jack Benny Fan Club <Jackbenny.org>...Radio Broad-cast Chronicles <gna.net/tia>...Tom Heathwood <HeritageRadio.com>.

A web site for OTR Theme songs is

<www.classicthemes.com/oldTimeRadioThemes/radioThemeList.html>. This was put together by

David Jackson Shields.

Terry Salomonson has 2 web sites. One is Audio Classics Archives <audioclassic.com> and the other is Digital OTR. Digital OTR will mainly focus on digital restoration releases and possibly cassette releases from digitally mastered OTR material.

Digital OTR web address is <digitalotr.com> and only the opening page is online now with more pages to be added over the next couple of weeks as the site expands. Digital OTR will be more commercial and Audio Classics Archive will contain everything in the collection presently and

future acquisitions.

CATALOGS AND NEW SHOWS (All addresses first): McCoy's Recording (Pat McCoy), Box 1069, Richland, WA 99352...Jerry Haendiges, 13808 Sunset Dr., Whittier, CA 90602 < JHaendiges@aol.com > ... Roger Hill's "Nothing's New" 711 San Mateo Ave., San Bruno, CA 94066 (650) 871-6063... Vintage Broadcasts (Andy Biatt), Box 50065, Staten Island, NY 10305 (1-800-418-1445)...Radio Memories (Ted Davenport), 1600 Wewoka St., North Little Rock, AR 72116 (501) 835-0465...Great American Radio (GAR) (Garry Kramer), Box 504, Genesee, MI 48437...Rainy Day Books, Box 775, Fitzwilliam, NH 03447 (603) 585-3448...Metro Golden Memories, 5414 W. Addison St., Chicago, IL 60641 (1-800-538-6675)...AVPRO (Don Aston), Box 1392, Lake Elsinore, CA 92531 (1-888-3328776)...Radio Spirits, Box 2141, Schiller Park, IL 60176...Redmond Nostalgia Co. (David Kiner), Box 82, Redmond, WA 98073...SPERDVAC Library (Box 7177, Van Nuys, CA 91409)...Travis Conner, 1311 Avon Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45229 <connertm@cinternet.net>...John Barber, 1318 Dauphine St., New Orleans, LA 70116 (504) 586-1931... Vintage Audio (Tom Martin), 461 Maple Ave., Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 (518) 584-1112 < Thomasmartin 2@compuserve.com > ... John Cooper Rt 1 Box 371, Clarksburg, WV 26301 < Mysto99@aol.com>...Gordon Payton (The Scifi Guy), #114 E Cuthbert Blvd., Westmont, NJ 08108 < thescifiguy@juno.com>...Satellite Video Production (Fred Berney) Box 638, Walkersville, MD 21793 (1-800-747-0856) <Berney@fred.net>...BRC Productions (Bob Burnham), Box 158, Dearborn, MI 48127 platecap@brcradio.com cradio.com>...Hello Again Radio (Bob Burchett), 10280 Gunpowder Rd., Florence, KY 41042...Audio Classic Archive (Terry Salomonson), Box 347, Howell, MI 48844 < audioclassic.com>

All listings below list sampling of shows. Vintage Broadcasts: Pepper Young's Family; Family Theater; Theater Five...Note new address of Roger Hills's Nothing New. They should be moved into their new place by the time you get this...Great American Radio, Sep; Air Adv. of Jimmie Allen; Strange Dr. Weird; Aunt Mary...Brian Hochberg, 511 Avenue of the Americas #185, New York, NY 10011 has Presenting Charles Boyer (audition; 6/20/50); Green Hornet; 6/14/41; (1964) 10/5; 10/27; 11/10; Suspense (12/19/47; Wet Saturday)...Audio Classic Archive has new shows: This is Your FBI (1945) 7/27 - 8/10; 26 episodes of Down Our Way; 35 new Burns and Allen from 1943 - 1950; First 260 episodes of Strange Adventure; First 88 episodes of Joe and Cynthia (I am not familiar with this). Terry has also upgraded many AFRS J Benny to network copies...Gordon Payton has much new Science Fiction material including new readings, productions, Australian, BBC and CBC material; Has Quick as a Flash 3/16/47; Lights Out 4/18/35; Exploring Tomorrow 7/26/57 (The Cold Equations)...Metro Golden Memories (25th Anniversary) Catalog #8. You'll find a wide variety in this 76-page catalog.

<u>NEW ADDRESSES</u>: Lee Munsick, R R 1, Box 134B, Pamplin, VA 23958. Lee is still looking for any memorabilia about Arthur Godfrey and related people.

NEW FRIENDS AND RETURNEES: John Hubbard, Box 366, Hampstead, NH 03841...Valerie Thompson, 301 E 57th St., New York, NY 10022...Sam Kriegel, 9 Dakota Ct.,

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Suffern, NY 10901...Charles Hutchinson, 17 St. Marks Pl #18, New York, NY 10003...Ken Stockinger, 218 Birchwood Dr., Cliffwood Beach, NJ 07735...Randy Spurlock, 1001 Columbine Lea, Sevierville, TN 37862...John Stevenson, 265 Cutler St., Watertown, CT 06795...Sylvester Diederich, 5625 Lincoln Ave., St. Joseph, MI 49085...Norman Smith, 102 Coeway Ln., Exton, PA 19341...Sid Liebl, Jr., 404 Sutton Pl, Norwood, NJ 07648...Frank Coppola, 11 Wildwood Rd., Califon, NJ 07830

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