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A PERSONAL NOTE: Many thanks for the holiday cards and wishes. I turned 66 on November 25th. I was 34 when Hello Again started.

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 **Revised 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.**

The **Fourth Supplement of the Necrology** is also available for \$1.00. **The complete Necrology** is \$15.00 which includes all four supplements.

I need all the new information I can get for the 2001 “2nd, Revised Ultimate History.” Please start sending me new circulating shows and network information. This new revision will be sold at a special discount to those who have bought the 1996 book and all 4 supplements and will contain all information found in them plus all new information. The book will be ready next October.

CONVENTION 2001: The dates are October 25 – 28 at the Holiday Inn – North, Newark, NJ

CONVENTION 2000: **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.

Video and Audio cassettes of the 25th Annual FOTR Convention are available from AVPRO (Don Aston). Price of 3 videos and 5 audio cassettes is \$65. Individual videos are \$20 each and the 5 audio cassettes package is \$20. Individual cassettes are separately priced at \$20 each. Prices include shipping.

Don Aston, Box 1392, Lake Elsinore, CA 92531 (1-888-332-8776) FAX 909-244-0022 <aston@linkline.com>

PUBLICATIONS RECEIVED: **Nostalgia Digest**, Dec - Jan; articles about Fibber McGee and Molly; Lawrence Welk; Ernie Kovacs; Unanswered questions from the Golden Age of Radio...**Tradition**, Nov – Dec; articles about Vernon Dalhart; Doc Watson; David Miller; Roy Rogers...**The Jot ‘em Down Journal**, Dec; more about Lum and Abner...**Return With Us Now**, Dec; Top 10 radio programs...Jan; article about The Shadow...**Radio Recall**, Dec; articles about Washington, DC radio; Christmas radio shows; Whatever happened to Bobby Benson (Actors)? Babe Ruth and Al Jolson met in reform school; Florence Williams by Florence Williams...**Illustrated Press**, Nov; 2 favorable reviews of the recent FOTR convention. Many thanks. Also more on Fibber McGee and Molly.. Dec; reprints of Fibber McGee & Molly; My

Friend Irma...**RRL On the Air**, Sep; Articles about Radio's novelty band...**National Audio Theater News**, Fall-winter; an interview with Al Schaffer.. **NARA News**, Winter; articles about Ralph Edwards; Sound effects with Ray Erlenborn; Listening to the Radio by Bob Mott; Information Please; Early Radio Days in Canada; Soap Operas; Part 3; Tex Ritter;

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...**Greenwood** published last year **The Directory of the Armed Forces Radio Service Series** by Harry MacKenzie, 280 pages, \$79.50. It lists and gives a brief description of all AFRS series, original and network, starting in 1942. It also lists a few programs with numbers of many of the series.

CONVENTIONS:

2001 edition of the Williamsburg Film Festival. It's Feb. 22 – 24 in Williamsburg, VA at the Holiday Inn - Patriot. Major stars this year will include Beverly Garland, Ruta Lee, James Best, Ed Nelson. The person to contact is Ray Smith at 1-919-957-0222.

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.

13TH RADIO CLASSICS LIVE! May 4 - 5, 2001 Massasoit Community College - Buckley Center, Brockton, MA; Contact: Buckley Center Box Office, 1 Massasoit Blvd., Brockton, MA 02302 (508) 427-1234

Kate Smith Festival XIV, June 1 – 3, 2001, Lake Placid Resort, Lake Placid, NY. For information contact Sarah De Natale, 157 Tacoma Ave., Buffalo, NY 14216.

17th Annual Lum and Abner Convention June 15 -16, 2001 in Mena, Arkansas at the Best Western Lime Tree Inn. For information contact Tim Hollis, 81 Sharon Blvd., Dora, AL 35062 (205) 648-6110

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. Contact 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 <bobeverhart@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 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...**Bill Kizer** <wrk@n2radio.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)**

<brcradio.com/>...**Ted Kneebone** <otrsite.com/kneebone>...**Jerry Haendiges** <otrsite.com/radiolog/index.html>...**John Cooper** <angelfire.com/wv/otrmagic/index.html> ...**Australian Film and Sound** <Screensound.gov.au>...**Owens Pomeroy (Golden Radio Buffs)** (not www) <members.aol.com/grbmd>.. **OTR Digest** <www.lofcom.com/nostalgia/books/>...**Jack Benny Fan Club** <Jackbenny.org>...**Radio Broadcast Chronicles** <gna.net/tia>...**Tom Heathwood** <HeritageRadio.com>... **First Generation Archives** <http://www.radioarchives.org>

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** <audio-classic.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 Blatt), 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 <Tedotr@aol.com>...**Great American Radio (GAR)** (Garry Kramer), Box 504, Genesee, MI 48437...**Bequaert Old Books**, formerly (**Rainy Day Books**), Box 775, Fitzwilliam, NH 03447 (603) 585-3448 <www.beqbooks.com>...**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 <Thomasmartin2@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> <www.brcradio.com>...**Hello Again Radio** (Bob Burchett), 10280 Gunpowder Rd., Florence, KY 41042...Audio Classic Archive (**Terry Salomonson**), Box 347, Howell, MI 48844 <audio-classic.com>...**Lodestone** (Richard Fish), 611 Empire Mill Rd., Bloomington, IN 47401; 1-800-411-6463 <lodestone-media.com> (Deals in New Audio Theater...**Ed Carr**, 216 Shaner St., Boyertown, PA 19512 <edcarr@enter.net>

All listings below list sampling of shows. **Lodestone**; 2001 catalog. If you like contemporary audio theater, this is the catalog to get...**Vintage Broadcasts**, Railroad Hour, Christmas collection, Hearts in Harmony...**Ed Carr** has a new Grand Central Station (7/1/41)...**Great American Radio** (Lux, Pepper Young's Family, Suspense)...**Radio Memories** (Ted Davenport) has 46 episodes of Fu Manchu from the third and fourth serial. (#79...156). He needs 20 people to sign up for the first round robin. Contact Ted for details...**The First Generation Archives** is happy to send you a monthly e-mail newsletter at no cost to keep up to date on their new radio shows they are transferring from disc to audio CD's. E-mail them at <newsletter@radioarchives.org>. Some new shows they have are Amos 'n' Andy (1/10/54; 1/24/54); Fred Allen (6/5/49); Life with Luigi (6/6/50)

NEW ADDRESSES: **Gregory Jackson**, 7603 Emerald Gardens Cir., Las Vegas, NV 89123

NEW FRIENDS AND RETURNEES: **John Abizaid**, 5 Hawthorne Cir., Peabody, MA 01960...**Nick Halonen**, 2457 E County Rd. BB, Foxboro, WI 54836...**Douglas Crosby**, 1955 Axtell Dr. #3, Troy, MI 48084...**David Hopkins**, Oyasato 23-105, Magata-cho 47-1, Tenri 632-0033, Japan. He is looking for Japan-related propaganda or other...**Cliff Glaspey**, 4709-84th St. SW, Mukilteo, WA 98275

OLD FRIENDS: **Ray Nemeec**, 1424 Heatherton Dr., Naperville, IL 60563 wants to find any shows with Cowboy Roy Pack, Bob & Jim Ranes and Red Belcher...**Don Brush**, c/o A O' Connor, 1116 Bancroft St., Deltona, FL 32725 is selling his collection, mostly reels. He has close to 2000 hours and was one of our original collectors starting in the 1960's. He is asking \$5000...**Gene Dench**, 53 Faraday St., Hyde Park, MA 02136 is looking for copies of the BBC show, **Spycatcher**... "**Don't Touch That Dial**" hosted by Barbara Sunday and Bobb Lynes is now on the Internet on Sundays at 12:00 pm, (Pacific Time). Web site is <www.kcsn.org> .. **Charlie Stumpf**, #803 Hazelwood Apts., Hazleton, PA 18201 (570) 454-4261 is researching material for a book on The Great Gildersleeve. If you have any material please contact him...**W-Wow! Radio** begins its 2001 season of performances at Partners and Crime, 44 Greenwich Ave., New York. There specialize in radio re-creations of detective shows. For information call 212-462-3027. Their performances are 6 pm repeated at 8 pm the first Saturday of each month.

IN FOND MEMORY: **Gaylord Carter**, Nov 20, 95; One of our great theater organists (Amos 'n' Andy)...**George Wells**, Nov 29, 91; writer (Jack Pearl, Lux)...**George Montgomery**, Dec 12, 84; Actor (Hollywood Star Time; NBC University Theater of the Air)...**Doris (Dotty) Todd**, Dec 12; 77; Singer on Broadway, radio (Had own show with husband, Art)...**Allan McFee**, Dec. 12, 87; CBC personality...**Victor Borge**, Dec 23, 91; Clown prince of the keyboard. Was on radio from 1943 to 1951...**Nick (Nicodemus) Stewart**, Dec 18, 90; actor (Alan Young, Beulah) Amos 'n' Andy on television...**Marty Glickman**, Jan 3, 83; New York sportscaster...**Les Brown**, Jan 4, 88; Bob Hope's bandleader from 1947. One of our best.

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Write if you get work; and hang by your thumbs

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