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A PERSONAL NOTE: I will be in Chicago at the end of April visiting Karen's son, Evan, and his wife Shari. You may remember Evan from a few of our conventions. They live in Westmont.

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. 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: RCA Newsletter, Dec; article about Mason Adams...Feb; article on copyrights and the WEB...**Chattanooga Airwaves**, Jan - Feb; article about comics and radio...**Nostalgia Digest**, Feb - Mar; articles about Jimmy Durante; Soaps with Smiles; Jack Benny; Bob Burns; Moon River...Apr - May; articles about Spike Jones; wonder drugs on radio; religious radio; Kale Jerger, drummer from Chicago; Red Skelton; television cowboy sidekicks...**Illustrated Press**, Jan; article about Red Skelton; Radio newspapermen; Feb; article about Red Skelton...**SPERDVAC Radiogram**, Jan; articles and pictures about 2000 Convention; Cecil B DeMille and Lux; Jimmy Stewart..Feb; articles about Eddie Cantor; War of the Worlds; Duffy's Tavern...Mar; More on Duffy's Tavern...**On The Air**, Winter; Remembrance of

Bill Jacobson...Spring; article about Breakfast in Hollywood...**Jack Benny Times**, Jan; interviews and articles about JB; Cost is \$10.39 by regular mail; \$5.39 by email. Write or email Laura Leff, Box 11288, Piedmont, CA 94611 <Jackbenny@aol.com> or go online at <www.jackbenny.org>...Mar; articles about Waukegan Benny Statue; Kenny Baker; Jack and Groucho Marx; interview with Larry Adler...**Radio Recall**, Feb; articles about Premiums; oldest radio station; The Shadow...**Jot 'em Down Journal**, Feb; this 100th issue reviews the other 99...**Galaxy Patrol Space-o-gram**, Feb; More stuff about Tom Corbett, Space Patrol and other related programs.. **Return With Us Now**, Feb; article about Lonesome Gal...**The Times of Kate Smith**, Winter; more about Kate...**Aircheck**, Winter; articles about Telephones on radio; advertising and the internet...**Chattanooga Airwaves**, Mar - Apr; more on Comics and OTR

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...**Two O'clock, Eastern Wartime** by John Dunning (Scribners) at your local book store or on the web. This is a work of fiction taking place during WW II and a fledgling radio station. A very good review by Jim Widner is in Radio Recall. Send me a SASE if you want a copy...**The Mighty Music Box** by Tom DeLong is now available in paperback. Higginson Books has reissued it. Higginson books is at 149 Washington St., Salem, MA 01970. Originally written in 1980 it reviews the roll of music on the air from the 1920's to the 1950's. For information call (203) 255-4768...**I Was a Communist For the FBI** by Daniel Leab, 170 pages, \$28.50, Penn State; found in the usual sources. The story is about Matt Cvetic, the subject of a movie, radio program and TV show. If you want a copy of the review, please email me and I will email back the review sent to me by Joe Webb who got it from the Wall Street Journal (Feb 21)...**The Great Radio Heroes** (Revised) by Jim Harmon, McFarland & Co. (1-800-253-2187 or (336) 246-4460 or go on line <www.mcfarlandpub.com>. 256-page soft cover book is \$35. this is a revised version of his 1967 book. It is illustrated, corrected, and greatly expanded. It covers the dramatic as well as the heroes of comedy...**Religious Radio and Television in the United States, 1921 - 1991**; by Hal Erickson; This is a paperback version of his 1992 book, also put out by McFarland. Cost is \$25.00. It covers 400 religious personalities and programs in alphabetical order.

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.

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...

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>

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.

The OTR Club now has a web page at <http://www2.pcom.net/robmcd/otrbuffalo/> and is a work in progress.

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. **Great American Radio**; Amos 'n' Andy; 10
tapes of NBC, Dec 7, 1941; Yours Truly, Johnny Dollar (This is the only listing sent to me since the
last HA????)

NEW ADDRESSES: **Ron Lackmann**, 2468 Lucas Tpke., High Falls, NY 12440... **Peter
Fernandez**, Box 30907, Bethesda, MD 20824

NEW FRIENDS AND RETURNEES: **Millicent Alter**, 172 W 79th St., #7E, New
York, NY 10024...**Fritz Ritterspach**, 6515 Jackson Dr., San Diego, CA 92119...**Steven Miller**, 39
Pine Ridge Rd., Larchmont, NY 10538...**Chuck Wheeler**, 5180 Salidor Ct., Dayton, OH 45431
(937) 253-0064 is selling off part of his 1950's and 1960's TV shows. Contact him for details..
Stephen Wichrowski, Jr., 370 Converse St., Longmeadow, MA 01106...**Clyde Benge**, 6247 East
Trailhead Rd., Highlands Ranch, CO 80130 (Welcome Back)...**Jon Lee**, 401 Rock Rimmon Rd.,
Stamford, CT 06903 <voiceovers@jonlee.com>. He recently acquired several 16" discs of Profes-
sor Quiz which he is transferring to CDR...**Seeking copies of "Compass 5" and "Miss Absen-
tee Ballot"**. 1960/1961 Armed Forces Radio series for overseas military. Compass 5 was 72-part
5 minute segments, discussing NATO countries. Miss Absentee Ballot was coed urging soldiers to
send to vote. My aunt, Kay Bell (one of Bell Sisters) was coed voice on both series. Write **Rex
Strother**, 758 East 500 South, Salt Lake City, UT 84102 or rex@bellsisters.com.

OLD FRIENDS: **Lora Palmer**, 24 Guernsey Rd., Bloomfield, CT 06002
<Otrlora@webtv.net> is looking for any cathedral-style radios. A good friend from work said she
has recently acquired a love for antiques, period furniture and such. She'd enjoy knowing if anyone
has that style radio willing to sell...

IN FOND MEMORY: **Dorothy Ponce Verkamp**, Dec 25, 90; singer with sister, Esther,
on radio...**Ben Cutler**, Jan 5, 96; Society Band Leader in New York Area...**Stan Freeman**, Jan 20,
80; fine pianist; had own radio show in 1953. Went to my alma mater, Hartt College of Music in
Hartford, CT...**Marina Koshetz**, Dec 9, 88; Singer (Kraft Music Hall)...**Virginia O'Brien**, Jan
16, 81; Actress (Blue Ribbon Town)...**Sam Waxman**, Jan 17, 65; Canadian born actor (TV -
Cagney and Lacey; Canadian Radio)...**Dale Evans**, Feb 7, 88; After singing on regional hookups,
Dale's first radio program was News and Rhythm, on CBS from 1929 to 1941...**George T. Simon**,
Feb 13, 88; Jazz Critic and prolific author of big band and jazz books...**Rosemary DeCamp**, Feb
21, 90; matriarchal character actress (Dot and Will; One Man's Family)...**Robert Weiskopf**, Feb
22, 86; comedy writer (Eddie Cantor, Rudy Vallee, Bob Hope)...**Helen Bennett**; Feb 25, 89; ac-
tress; some radio...**Sally Mansfield**, Jan 28, 77; actress; some radio...**Frankie Carle**, Mar 7, 97;
pianist, bandleader; on radio a lot (Horace Heidt)...**Ann Sothern**, Mar 15, 92; Not a word about
her radio performance in the NYTimes.

Hello Again is \$15 a year and is published 6 times a year. The first issue appeared in
April of 1970.

Write if you get work; and hang by your thumbs

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