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**A PERSONAL NOTE:** If anyone wants information in HA, please email me the exact wording if you can. I can then paste it right in the newsletter. Of course I will accept information in regular mail from everyone else.

**RADIO IS ALIVE AND WELL:** Ed Bolton is re-creating the Amos 'n' Andy scripts from 1928 - 1937 on WBCQ (7.415 KHZ) in Monticello, Maine. It is a shortwave station. He is charged \$50 each week and does this as a labor of love. If you can help financially, you can send donations to Ed Bolton, 4212 Jonestown Rd., Harrisburg, PA 17109. He is on 6 nights a week at midnight. Darrell Anderson of REPS brought this to my attention.

**SECOND 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 2001 "2nd, Revised Ultimate History" is now available. The cost is \$47 plus \$4 for new buyers and \$37 plus \$4 for those that bought the 1996 version and all 4 supplements (Orange Cover).

**CONVENTION 2002:** Dates are Oct 24 - 27, 2002 at the Holiday Inn-North, Newark, NJ. Invitations went out to an all-star cast. Our web site will keep you up to date.

### Friends of Old-Time Radio Script Contest

The Tenth annual original script writing contest is now open. We would like an original 30 minute script, as before, but with one **DIFFERENCE:** this time it must **not** be based on a radio program of the past. It can be comedy or drama, period, present-day or future, but try to find a format NOT rooted in Golden Age Radio - perhaps a new, strong character we have never met before - or a group of them. Leave space for short commercials - one after the opening teaser, a middle spot and a closing one - unless you are inspired to write your own commercials for an existing or a mythical product. If you have entered before and you have not won in 2 years, please enter again.

The script must have all music and sound cues as well as all the spoken material. Try to arrange it in script form so it doesn't have to be retyped. It must be double spaced and have large enough type.

The prize for the best script will be \$200 and will have its live performance at our 2003 convention on Thursday evening after dinner. We would like you to attend our convention to participate but it is not mandatory. There will be some rehearsal time. There will also be a second prize winner, who will be awarded \$100, but not performed.

Scripts must be submitted by **August 30, 2002**. Send to Dave Zwengler, 319 Plymouth Rd., North Brunswick, NJ 08902 (732) 940-7639. Return receipt is not necessary. A distinguished panel of three judges including Arthur Anderson will pick the winning script. One of the judges will forward detailed suggestions to non-winners for future improvements. They must be very readable. If you want a primer on preferred page format, send a SASE to Mr., Zwengler. All are eligible so please spread the word.

Winners have been Michael Giorgio, James Nixon, Edgar Russell, III, Donald Dortmund, Joel Senter, Arlene Osborne and Michael Leannah. This year's winners were **Becky Beach and John Bell**.

**CONVENTION 2001:** 2001 pens are available for \$1.00 each plus \$.34 postage. FOTR microphone key chains which we gave out in 2000 to all registrants are available for \$1.55 including P&H. Special 25th Anniversary small desk clocks are available for \$5 including P&H. Convention Booklets are \$2.50 each including P&H.

**Video and Audio cassettes of the 26th Annual FOTR Convention (2001) 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:** A complete list of publications mentioned with addresses, contact people, etc. is one of the introductory pages in my current Ultimate History. It is also part of a small package mailed with your first Hello Again. If you don't have one, email me for it and I will email it to you. If you don't have email, please send me a SASE for it...**NARA News**, Summer; articles about MP3; Tom Corbett ...**Illustrated Press**, June; article about the Lone Ranger...**Radio Recall**, June; articles about Amos 'n' Andy Imitators; Jack Armstrong vs. Harry Potter; Capt. Midnight's Code-O-Graphs; Comic Strips on Radio...**RLL on the Air**, Hun; article about Tom Mix.. **SPERDVAC Radiogram**, June; article about Ellery Queen...July; article about Invitation To Learning...**Return With us Now**, June; article about Gunsmoke...July; article about Captain Midnight...**Nostalgia Digest**, Aug - Sep; articles about Abbott and Costello; DR. I.Q.; Randolph Scott; Penny Singleton and Arthur Lake; African-Americans and OTR; Shirley Temple.

**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. Over 80 have been published. For a list or to order call 1-800-225-5800 or 1-203-226-3571..**From the Holocaust to Hogans Heroes** by Robert Clary; Robert plans to attend our convention this year. This is a well written autobiography from his experiences during the Holocaust to his fame in Hollywood, Broadway, television and as a singer. It is published by Madison Books, 2002 for \$26.95. It is 210 pages. It is available in most book stores or call 1-800-462-6420

### **CONVENTIONS:**

**27th Friends of Old-time Radio Convention**, Oct 24 – 27 at the Holiday Inn-North, Newark, NJ; For information contact Jay Hickerson, Box 4321, Hamden, CT 06514 (203) 248-2887 <JayHick@aol.com>

**SPERDVAC Convention:** Nov 1 – 3 at Hacienda Hotel in El Segundo; details when available;

**17th Annual OTR and Nostalgia Convention**, April 11 – 12, 2003; Contact Bob Burchett, 10280 Gunpowder Rd., Florence, KY 41042 (859) 282-0333.<haradio@hotmail.com>

**THE INTERNET:** Many of my subscribers are on the Internet. 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>...

**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; Pat McCoy) <old-time.com>...**Jim Widner**

<otr.com> (Radio Days)...**Metro Golden Memories** <mgmemories.com>... **BRC (Bob Burnham)** <brcradio.com/>...**Ted Kneebone** <geocities.com/tkneebone1>...**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** <radioarchives.org> (Free subscription) <http://www.radioarchives.org/newsletter.asp>...**Radio Enthusiasts of Puget Sound** <reponline.org>...**Terry Salomonson** <audio-classic.com> <digitalotr.com>...**The OTR Club** now has a web page at <http://www2.pcom.net/robmcd/otrbuffalo/> ...**Doug Kosmonek** <http://members.shaw.ca/douglasosmonek >...new email is <douglasosmonek@shaw.ca>

**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**, Box 775, Fitzwilliam, NH 03447 (603) 585-3448 <www.beqbooks.com>; send 2 34-cents stamps for a catalog of books and magazines on OTR...**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)**, 118 East Palmer Ave., Collingswood, 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>...**Dan Riedstra**, 2830 North Rockwell St., Chicago, IL 60618 <daniel.riedstra@wcom.com>

**All listings below list sampling of shows.** Eight new **Halls of Ivy** have surfaced. Contact Norman Brickman or Ryan Ellett at following web site<http://www.geocities.com/ryanellett/>...**Great American Radio** (Congratulations LaDonna and Gary on your Granddaughter; ) Aunt Mary; couple Next Door; Perry Mason...**Radio Memories**; Eternal Light; Martin and Lewis; Alice in Wonderland (BBC)...**Vintage Broadcasts**; Dave Garroway; Bill Stern; Stars Over Hollywood

**LOGS:** **Bill Wandel** has put together a log of Cities Service, Band of America from 6/4/48 – 1/16/56. **I am selling** the 40-page log for him for \$5.00 including P&H. It lists every song scheduled for just about all the dates.

**NEW ADDRESSES:** **Peter Fernandez**, 4903 Edgemoor Ln #304, Bethesda, MD 20814...**Mark Paswinski**, 2832 Manchester Ln., Schererville, IN 46375

**NEW FRIENDS AND RETURNEES:** **Beth Holman**, 16705 Craigmere Dr., Middleburg, OH 44130. Wants to buy Lux Radio Theater; can't trade. Send lists and prices on cassettes

only...**Richard King**, 18 Middle St., Barrington, RI 02806...**Jeffrey Kay**, 705 Savannah Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15221...**Ivan Shreve, Jr.**, 320 Briarcliff Cir. Savannah, GA 31419...**Paul Wilson**, 99 Hoof Print Rd., Millbrook, NY 12545 (Paul is back to work after a year of convalescence)...**Bruce Forsberg**, 9779 Megan Ter., Escondido, CA 92026

**OLD FRIENDS:** **Dean Mayhew**, Box 75, Orland, ME 04472 has done several monographs on Carleton E. Morse; Phillip Lord (who loved down the road) and the Dumont TV network. If anyone can use any of this, Dean will send a copy on spec...**Robert A. Vito**, 2033 East 67th St. Brooklyn, NY, 11234 has mp3 for TRADE OR SALE. CONTACT Robert A. Vito at mailing address or <Momdad77@aol.com>. Include self stamped addressed legal envelope for list of over 200 full series shows and more. Also trades and sells audio cassettes.

Ron Lackmann is auctioning off an authentic, original (not a reproduction) New Year's 1950 JACK BENNY SHOW radio script. In a skit on this show Jack plays the Old Year, the Sportsmen talk, Rochester borrow Jack's car, Mary plays Columbia, et al. This is a 26 page, mimeographed (as were all radio scripts in OTR) script.... NOT a reproduction...with dialog, sound and music cues etc. All bids over \$250 will be considered...the highest bid received wins the script. This is a rare opportunity to own an actual script used on the Benny show. Write Ron Lackmann, 2468 Lucas Tpke, High Falls, NY 12440 with your bid .....or email your bid to: RonLackmann@aol.com Auction winner will be announced after August 30, 2002.

**IN FOND MEMORY:** **Bernice Berwin**, May 22, 100; on One Man's Family as Hazel...**Jack Kruschen**, Apr 2, 80; veteran TV, radio and movie actor (Dragnet, Sam Spade)...**Signe Hasso**, June 7, 91; actress; on many anthology shows on radio...**Cliff Thorsness**, Jun 14, 88; CBS sound effects artist...**George Cates**, May 10, 90; musical director, composer, arranger for several people including Lawrence Welk; Steve Allen; Bing Crosby...**Rosemary Clooney**, Jun 29, 74; Legendary singer of Jazz and pop hits; was on radio from 1953 to 1962...**Herbert Finn**, May 28, 89; Script writer (Duffy's Tavern).

**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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