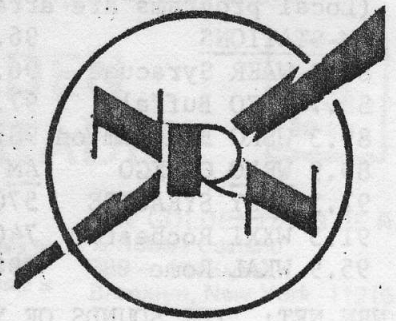




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And now... these messages

CHANGES: Gerry Orlando's program, COMEDY'S GOLDEN MOMENTS (WCNY-FM 91.3 Syracuse) moves to 6 to 8 pm effective May 23, 1976. Also, RAY BOYCE's show begins at 10 pm, effective May 7, with JAZZ REVISITED moving to Fri. 8:30 to 9 pm effective that same date (both are heard on WCNY-FM 91.3 Syracuse). NPR network has announced the following: THE GOON SHOW ends its first run and immediately goes into repeats (see WRVO-FM listings, page 6), and THIS IS RAGTIME ends its current series during May. All of these programming changes, and others, are reflected on pages 2, 6 and 8 of this issue of THE NOSTALGIA NEWSLETTER.

POWER: WRVO-FM 89.9 Oswego has announced that its power increase (which will make its signal and programming available to many more Central NY listeners, and improve the quality for many others) will be in effect by early July, possibly earlier (assuming no unexpected weather delays or technical problems).

GROWTH: Last issue we told you THE NOSTALGIA NEWSLETTER would be 8 pages every month - well, we were wrong! This issue is our first 10-page issue, and next month's may be even larger. And, as this is typed, we have 189 subscribers - an increase from last month's record number. Thanks to all of you, our subscribers, and to these advertisers and underwriters: THE H.J. EKLUND COMPANY (page 9), TED NETTLETON PHOTOGRAPHS and RATCLIFF RADIO & TV SERVICE (page 5), THE GOLDEN DAYS OF RADIO MAGAZINE and ROB (page 3), and STEVE LEWIS (page 7). Support them!

CON: THE FIRST ANNUAL NOSTALGIA MINI-CON will be held at the studios of WCNY-FM at 506 Old Liverpool Road, Liverpool, NY (just north of Syracuse, off Int. 81 and NY 57) on SAT. JUNE 26, 1976. Exhibits will open, and film showings will take place, from 10 AM to 10 PM. Special old-time radio and nostalgia broadcasts are scheduled from 7 AM to 8 PM. ALL EVENTS, AND PARKING, ARE FREE! (Cont'd page 7).

"SOUNDS OF YESTERDAY" SPECIALS: May is birthday month for Bing Crosby (72 on May 2), Fred Astaire (77 on May 10) and Bob Hope (73 on May 29). Special birthday salutes are planned for each on THE SOUNDS OF YESTERDAY. For dates and details, see page 10 of this issue.

MORE INSIDE: PROGRAMMING: See pages 2, 6, 8 & 10. WHERE TO TUNE: See page 2. ARTICLES & FEATURES: See pages 4 & 7 (& above). MOVIES: page 4. ADS: pages 3, 5, 7 & 9. MORE NEWS: pg. 7.



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P WHERE TO TUNE FOR OLD-TIME RADIO & NEW-RADIO SHOWS & NOSTALGIA IN CENTRAL NY:
 A (Local programs are arranged by station, & network shows by network, in listings below)
 G FM STATIONS 96.3 CFMK Kingston# 870 WHCU Ithaca 1390 WFBL Syracuse
 E 88.3 WAER Syracuse 96.9 WOOR Utica 930 WBEN Buffalo 1420 WALY Herkimer
 88.7 WBFO Buffalo 97.3 WHCU Ithaca 940 CBM Montreal+ 1450 WKAL Rome
 2 89.3 WSKG Binghamton 98.3 CKLC Kingston# 950 WIBX Utica SHORTWAVE STATIONS
 89.9 WRVO OSWEGO AM STATIONS 960 CKWS Kingston# 6085 49 CBC Int'l Svc
 91.3 WCNY SYRACUSE 570 WSyr Syracuse 1180 WHAM Rochester khz m
 91.5 WXXI Rochester 740 CBL Toronto# 1340 WMBO Auburn
 95.9 WKAL Rome 790 WNY Watertown 1350 WRNY Rome #: Ontario; +: Quebec.

NRN NET: THE SOUNDS OF YESTERDAY - WCNY-FM SAT. 6 to 8 pm X WRVO-FM following FRI. 8 to 10 pm X Allen Rockford & Don Richardson, co-hosts. Featuring THE GOON SHOW from NPR. (Begins @ 5 pm on WCNY-FM on 5/29). SEE PAGE 10.

WCNY-FM: COMEDY'S GOLDEN MOMENTS - Gerry Orlando, host. SUN. 5:30-7:30 pm 5/2, 5/9 & 5/16, then 6 to 8 pm 5/23 and after. SEE PAGE 8.
 RAY BOYCE - big bands, jazz & nostalgia - now FRI. 10:00 pm to 1 am.

WAER-FM: THE BEST OF OLD-TIME RADIO - THU. 7 to 7:30 pm - Allen Rockford, host. PAGE 6.
 BROADWAY & ALL THAT JAZZ - THU. 7:30 to 8 pm - Anthony Wellman, host. PAGE 6.

WRVO-FM: GREAT RADIO MYSTERIES - WED. 6 to 6:30 pm, rptd Sun. 7 to 7:30 pm. PAGE 6.
 RADIO THEATRE - SUN. 10 to 11 pm - dramas from old & new radio series. PAGE 6.

CBS NET: CBS RADIO MYSTERY THEATRE (7 nights per week on all stations) - WFBL-AM 12:06 to 1 am X WBEN-AM 11:30 pm to 12:24 am X WIBX-AM 11:06 pm to Midnight X WHAM-AM 10:06 to 11 pm X WNY-AM 8:06 to 9 pm X WHCU-FM 7:06 to 8 pm.

NPR NET: THE GOON SHOW - See NRN NET above - ALSO: WRVO-FM SUN. 12:30 to 1 pm, rptd SAT. 8:30 to 9 pm (SEE PAGE 6) X WBFO-FM SUN. 7:30 to 8 pm.
 JAZZ REVISITED - WCNY-FM FRI. 8:30 to 9 pm, rptd SAT. 5:30 to 6 pm X WRVO-FM SAT. & SUN. 7:30 to 8 pm (diff. shows) X WSKG-FM SAT. 6:30 to 7 pm.
 THIS IS RAGTIME - WCNY-FM (Ends 5/16) SUN. 7:30 to 8 pm X WRVO-FM SAT. 8-8:30.
 I'M SORRY, I'LL READ THAT AGAIN! - WRVO-FM WED. 5:30 to 6 pm, rptd SAT. 7 pm.

MBS NET: NIGHTWATCH (5-minute dramas) - WSyr-AM SAT. @ 8:15, 9:05 pm; SUN. @ 7:45, 8:15, 9:05 pm X WMBO-AM TUE.-SAT. @ 12:05 am X WALY-AM MON.-FRI. @ 8:30 pm.

WOOR-FM: MARVEL COMICS ON THE AIR: THE FANTASTIC FOUR (5-min. adv.) - MON.-FRI. @ 8:30 am, rptd @ 8:30 pm.

WHCU-AM & FM: SOUNDS OF THE PAST - SUN. 4:06 to 5 pm - musical nostalgia & OTR excerpts.

WKAL-AM & FM: MAKE BELIEVE BALLROOM (big bands) - SUN. 9:35 to 10:30 am.

WRNY-AM: BEST OF THE BIG BANDS - SUN. 10:05 to 11:30 am.

WXXI-FM: BIG BAND GO-ROUND - SUN. 1 to 3 pm.

CKLC-FM: NOSTALGIA NIGHT - SUN. 5 to 7 pm - Includes complete ½-hr. old-time radio show; Those Great Years of the Movies; 60 minutes of big band music.

CFMK-FM: GUILD HALL MYSTERY THEATRE - SAT. 6:30 to 7 pm - Drama & horror, produced by Queens University.

CKWS-AM: RADIO'S GOLDEN AGE - SAT. 6 to 6:30 pm, SUN. 7 to 7:30 pm - complete ½-hr shows.

CBM-AM: DRAGNET - MON. 5 to 5:30 pm - starring Jack Webb & Barton Yarborough.

CBC NET: ROYAL CANADIAN AIR FARCE - CKWS-AM SAT. 6:33 to 7 pm (comedy)†.

ANTHOLOGY - CKWS-AM SAT. 10:03 to 11 pm (drama)†.

DR. BUNDOLO'S PANDEMONIUM MEDICINE SHOW - CFMK-FM & CKWS-AM SAT. 11:10 to 11:40 pm (satire, parody)†.

INSIDE FROM THE OUTSIDE - CFMK-FM & CBC-SW FRI. 7:30 to 8 pm (satire)†.

CBC STAGE - CFMK-FM SAT. 8:30 to 9:27 pm (drama)†.

BUSH & SALON - CFMK-FM SUN. 3:03 to 4 pm (drama)†.

CBC PLAYHOUSE - CFMK-FM SUN. 10:30 to 11 pm (mystery, horror, fantasy)†.

† Some CBC shows may be heard on CBL-AM &/or CBM-AM (both 50,000 watts). Times may vary.

LATE NEWS NOTE: Charles Michelson, Inc., New York City distributor of vintage radio shows has made a deal with V & R Advertising (NYC ad agency) for bartering (trading out) of "Gunsmoke", "The Shadow", "Tarzan", "Fibber McGee & Molly" in top-75 radio markets... This practice is now common in TV, but "new" (actually revived) for radio.

FREE: For a free copy of the WRVO-FM PROGRAM GUIDE, write JOHN KRAUSS, WRVO-FM, Lanigan Hall, SUNY, Oswego, NY 13126. Mention you saw it here!

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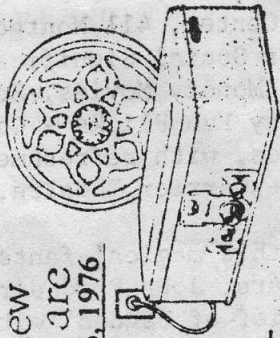
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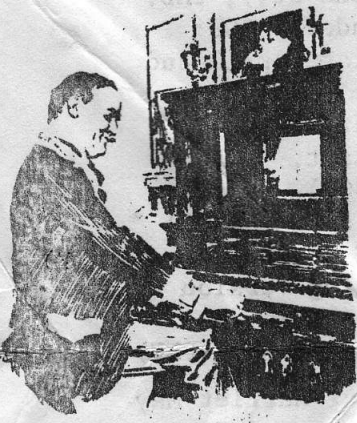
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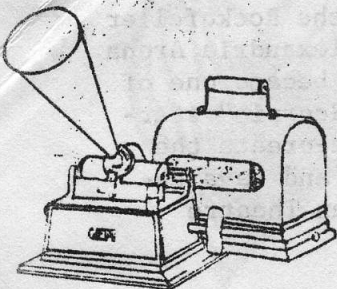
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 A SYRACUSE CINEPHILE SOCIETY showings at the Civic Center, 411 Montgomery Street, in
 G downtown Syracuse. MM/SS: Monday Movies, Films of Social Significance - Carrier The-
 E atre, 8 pm, non-members \$2, members \$1.50; MM/SF: Monday Movies, Science Fiction -
 4 same place, time & admission as above; TFF: Tuesday Fun Flicks - Community Room, 8 pm,
 same adm. as above, seating cabaret-style at tables, with refreshments available;
 SBDF: Sunday Bashful Dragon Film Series for Kids - Carrier Theatre, 2 pm & 4 pm, all
 seats \$1.50. Scheduled in May & early June are:

- May 2 Sun.: "Thief of Bagdad" (1940) Sabu stars in this magical fantasy. (SBDF)
- 3 Mon.: "Grapes of Wrath" (1940) Henry Fonda stars, John Ford directs. (MM/SS)
- 4 Tue.: The Silent Film: Edited versions of "Thief of Bagdad" with Doug Fairbanks,
 Sr.; "Hunchback of Notre Dame" with Lon Chaney, Sr.; "Dr. Jekyll and
 Mr. Hyde" with John Barrymore; "Son of the Shiek" with Rudolph Valen-
 tino. (TFF)
- 9 Sun.: "The Lost World" (1925, silent) Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's tale. (SBDF)
- 10 Mon.: "Dead End" (1937) Humphrey Bogart and The Dead End Kids star. (MM/SS)
- 16 Sun.: "Frankenstein Meets the Wolfman" (1943) Bela Lugosi, Lon Chaney, Jr. (SBDF)
- 17 Mon.: "The Thing" (1951) with James Arness in the title "role", PLUS:
 "The Lost World" (1925, silent) Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's tale. (MM/SF)
- 23 Sun.: "The Mark of Zorro" (1920, silent) Douglas Fairbanks, Sr. (SBDF)
- 24 Mon.: "The Day the Earth Stood Still" (1951) Patricia Neal, Michael Rennie. (MM/SF)
 PLUS: "The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari" (1919, silent) tale of evil hypnotist.
- 30 Sun.: "Treasure Island" (1934) Wallace Beery, Jackie Cooper star. (SBDF)
- 31 Mon.: "Night of the Living Dead" (1968) AND:
 "Nosferatu" (1921, silent) - the original film version of "Dracula" (MM/SF)
- June 6 Sun.: "Alakazam, the Great" (1961 color cartoon) voices of Jonathan Winters,
 Frankie Avalon, Arnold Stang. (SBDF)
- 7 Mon.: "Invasion of the Body Snatchers" (1956) Kevin McCarthy stars, PLUS:
 "Frankenstein" (1931) the version, with Boris Karloff. (MM/SF)

EVERSON MUSEUM OF ART FILM SERIES showings in Everson Auditorium, 401 Harrison Street,
 in downtown Syracuse. FFF: Friday Films from the Forties - 8 pm, non-members \$2, mem-
 bers \$1.50. Includes parking in Community Plaza Parking Garage (S. Townsend St.); TAD:
 Thursday Art Deco Films - 7:30 pm, same admission as above (parking included); SCF:
 Saturday Children's Film Series - 1:00 pm, all seats 75¢. Scheduled in late April and
 May are:

- April 29 Thu.: "Rain" (1932) Joan Crawford, Walter Huston, Wm. Gargon star. (TAD)
- 30 Fri.: "Background to Danger" (1943) Sydney Greenstreet, George Raft. (FFF)
- May 1 Sat.: "Hansel and Gretel" - the classic Grimm Bros. fairy tale. (SCF)
- 6 Thu.: "Things to Come" (1936) Raymond Massey, Sir Cedric Hardwicke star. (TAD)
- 7 Fri.: "Passage to Marseille" (1944) Peter Lorre, Claude Rains star. (FFF)
- 8 Sat.: "Heidi" (1953) Johanna Spyri's timeless story in a prize-winning version (SCF)
- 14 Fri.: "Conflict" (1946) Humphrey Bogart, Sydney Greenstreet star. (FFF)
- 21 Fri.: "The Mask of Dimitrios" (1944) Peter Lorre, Sydney Greenstreet star. (FFF)

EMPIRE STATE THEATRE & MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS MUSEUM programs in auditorium at Harriet May
 Mills Building (Art & Home Center) on the NY State Fair Grounds, near Syracuse (off
 Interstate 690 between Solvay and Lakeland). On Friday May 14 at 8:00 pm (admission:
 adults \$1.50, children 75¢, members free): "To the piano at age five...the organ at 12
 ...at 15, organist and choir-master of a metropolitan church...and finally a degree
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 theatre style, listening to Art Brown and Milt Slosser at Loews Capitol Theatre in
 Downtown Washington, D.C. The indelible impression made by the fabulous sights and
 sounds of these early-day organists led eventually to Jim's purchase of the Rockefeller
 Center Organ, a Wurlitzer 4/34, and its subsequent installation in the Alexandria Arena
 where he has presided over the console for over 20 years. Recently, Jim became one of
 the few theatre organists to appear in a motion picture. The film was "Scorpio" star-
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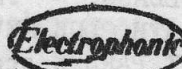
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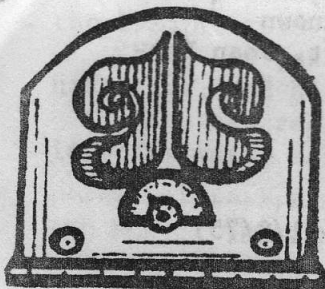
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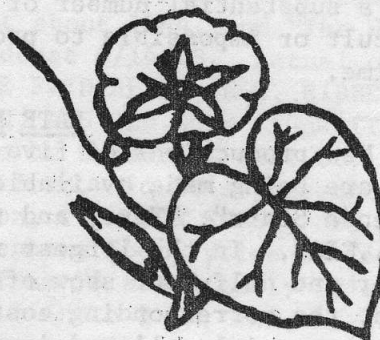


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P SHOWS TO BE HEARD ON OTHER LOCAL OLD-TIME RADIO SERIES, MAY 1976:

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G THE BEST OF OLD-TIME RADIO (WAER-FM 88.3 Syracuse) Allen Rockford, host (THU. 7 pm):
E May 6 - QUIET PLEASE! - "Thing on the Fourble Board" - MBS, 9/18/48 - plus: BOB & RAY
13 - LINIT BATH CLUB REVIEW (rare) - Fred Allen, Portland Hoffa - CBS, late 1/33.
6 20 - YOUR HIT PARADE starring Frank Sinatra - #1 song: "Paper Doll" - CBS/AFRS 6/5/43.
27 - The comedy of WC Fields & Henry Morgan - Fields: a radio adaptation of his
movie "The Pharmacist" (from a 1938 YOUR HIT PARADE on CBS) - Morgan: two
skits parodying "Long Distance Operators" & "Dr. I.Q., The Mental Banker"
(from 1946-7 ABC broadcasts).

Then, at 7:30 pm, stay tuned for BROADWAY & ALL THAT JAZZ hosted by Anthony Wellman, a program of old 78's & nostalgia from 1900-1940, heard every Thursday evening on WAER-FM 88.3 Syracuse immediately after the old-time radio.

GREAT RADIO MYSTERIES (WRVO-FM 89.9 Oswego, WED. 6 pm & rptd SUN. 7 pm):

- May 5 & 9 - INNER SANCTUM - "Dead Reckoning" with Arthur Vinton - NBC BLUE, 1940/41.
12 & 16- SUSPENSE - "The Big Drive" with Leon Janney - CBS 8/7/60.
19 & 23- MYSTERY IN THE AIR - "Crime & Punishment" with Peter Lorre - NBC, late 1940's.
26 & 30- SUSPENSE - "Rave Notice" with Vincent Price - CBS 6/1/58.

RADIO THEATRE (WRVO-FM 89.9 Oswego, SUN. 10 to 11 pm):

- May 2 - THEATRE GUILD ON THE AIR - "Pride and Prejudice" with Joan Fontaine - ABC, 11/18/
9 - THEATRE GUILD ON THE AIR - "The Guardsman" with Lunt & Fontanne - ABC, 9/30/ 45
16 - THEATRE GUILD ON THE AIR - "Secret Agent" - cast, date & net unknown
23 - THEATRE GUILD ON THE AIR - "A Farewell to Arms" - Humphrey Bogart, Joan Fon-
taine - NBC, 10/22/50.
30 - BBC PLAYHOUSE - "A Place of My Own" & "Ladder for Ginger".

THE GOON SHOW (WRVO-FM 89.9 Oswego, SUN. 12:30 pm, rptd SAT. 8:30 pm):

- May 2 & 8 - "The Gold Plate Robbery" (last show of first run)
9 & 15- REPEATS BEGIN WITH: "The Whistling Spy Enigma" (first aired 11/9/75)
16 & 22- "The Affair of the Lone Banana" (first aired 11/16/75)
23 & 29- "Napoleon's Piano" (first aired 11/23/75)
30 & June 5- "The Mummified Priest" (first aired 11/30/75)

Also hear THE GOON SHOW starring Peter Sellers, Harry Secombe & Spike Milligan within THE SOUNDS OF YESTERDAY on WCNY-FM (Sat. 6 pm) & WRVO-FM (Fri. 8 pm) - SEE PAGES 2, 10.

THE THANK-YOU DEPARTMENT:

WCNY-FM will receive \$12.95 for April thanks to: NEW: Ned Pieters, Stuart Jay Weiss, William G. Johnson, Robert J. Abend II, Steven H. (Snuff) Smith, Malcolm R. Stone, Donald W. Snyder, George H. Zink, Gary L. Van Veghten, Tom Price, Patrick H. Stack, RENEWING: Norman Peckham, Keith A. Spangenberg, Bernard R. Falk, James B. La Valle, Rev. Raynald Yudin, Gladys E. Murphy, James Cronin. Thanks to your interest and generosity, WCNY-FM has so far received \$406.73 from this NEWSLETTER in just 28 months. Paid subscribers this issue: 189, a new record high. IMPORTANT NOTE: PLEASE CHECK THE BOTTOM OF PAGE ONE. If the renewal reminder is marked, and a renewal form enclosed, you must renew now to continue your subscription without interruption. Please act promptly as there are over 30 renewals due this month (about 1/6th of our total subscribers) and if a substantial number of those come in late - near the end of May - it will be difficult or impossible to process them in time to get June newsletters out to everyone on time.

LATE NEWS NOTES:

NEW ADVENTURES: New productions of five adventure series for radio (each to be 13 half-hour shows) are being made available in syndication to stations. The shows are: "Dick Tracy", "Brenda Starr", "Terry and the Pirates", "Colin Doyle, MD, Crime Doctor", and "Counterspy...CIA". In the largest radio markets (NYC & LA) the stations will pay \$200 per week (for one half-hour show of each series to be "stripped"). In the smallest radio markets, the corresponding cost will be \$50 per week. There will be six minutes of local commercials allowed in each half-hour program.

AWARD: Sam Dann, one of the writers for the CBS RADIO MYSTERY THEATRE, has won a Writers Guild of America award for his 1975 dramatic script "Goodbye, Karl Eric." The award was announced simultaneously in NYC and Los Angeles at dinners on March 25. The award to Dann was one of only three for radio (the other two were in the documentary and news categories).

NOSTALGIC FILM SHOWINGS, ETC., CONTINUED (FROM PAGE 4):

SPECIAL FILM PRESENTATION AT SALT CITY PLAYHOUSE, in the Main Theatre of the SCP Performing Arts Center, corner of Harrison St. & South Crouse Ave. Showing Sat. May 1st @ 8 pm & 10:30 pm, admission \$1 (all seats, all ages). The program: "Footlight Parade" (1933, Warner Bros.) full-length Busby Berkeley musical starring James Cagney, Joan Blondell, Dick Powell & Ruby Keeler, AND "In The Money" (circa 1933) Fritz Freling's cartoon short spoofing Busby Berkeley spectacles, PLUS, the "I Only Have Eyes For You" and "Dames" sequences from the 1934 Warner Bros. film "Dames" (still another classic Busby Berkeley spectacular). Busby Berkeley died March 14, 1976, at age 80.

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O.C.C. ANNOUNCES CHARLES CHAPLIN MINI-COURSE: "Onondaga Community College will be offering a non-credit mini-course on Charles Chaplin's early films for six weeks, Wednesday nights June 9-July 14, 7:30 to 10 pm, tuition \$25; for more information contact Tom Munro (the instructor) at 446-3914."

"Chaplin called the 1915-18 period the happiest of his career. The films made during this period are vital and inventive. The course will include several intriguing films that most Chaplin festivals don't include, and several oft-shown films that have become proven favorites."

"Each session will consist of two or more films, a lecture, and a discussion. The present schedule (which may be expanded): 1st week: "Work" and "The Bank"; 2nd week: "Police" and "Shanghied"; 3rd week: "Easy Street" and "The Rink"; 4th: "The Immigrant" and "The Adventurer"; 5th: "The Pawnshop" and "Shoulder Arms"; 6th: "The Vagabond" and the 1925 feature film "The Gold Rush"."

"For the past few years, the instructor has researched Chaplin's life and watched his films, and he now has enough material for a full-length biography."

"You can register in person May 26 and 27 in the Student Center, or you can register by mail, using the forms provided by the Office of Continuing Education."

AND NOW... THESE MESSAGES, CONTINUED (FROM PAGE 1):

MORE ON MINI-CON: Exhibitors expected to participate include: Antique Wireless Association (early microphones, early radio transmitting and receiving equipment, etc.), Empire State Musical Instruments and Theatrical Museum (Edison and Victrola phonographs, 1920 Seeburg Nickelodeon, 1918 movie projector, 1945 RCA projection TV, etc.), Jolson Society (posters, photos, albums, etc.), Old Time Radio Club of Buffalo, Jim Parry (local collector of old-time radios who will display sets from the early 20's to late 30's, many actually playing), Sons of the Desert (The Laurel and Hardy Fan Club, with posters, photos, records, etc.), S.T.A.R. of Syracuse (the Syracuse Star Trek group), and The Three Stooges Fan Club. Film showings will include "Check and Double Check", the 1930 Amos & Andy film starring Freeman Gosden and Charles Correll, plus shorts starring WC Fields, Jack Benny, Burns & Allen, Eddie Cantor, Abbott & Costello, Laurel & Hardy, The Little Rascals, and The Original Three Stooges - plus a "Superman" cartoon, all from the period 1930-1944, presented by local old-time radio & film collector Gerry Orlando (host of COMEDY'S GOLDEN MOMENTS on WCNY-FM), AND feature films related to old-time radio (titles to be announced) shown by Phil Serling and The Syracuse Cinephile Society. (Films will be shown continuously or frequently throughout the day).

On-the-air events will include live stereo re-creations of two dramas: "The Invisible Clue" from ELLERY QUEEN, originally broadcast about 1944, and "The Hair-Curling Adventure" from MR. & MRS. NORTH, originally broadcast 4/14/43. Actual original old-time radio shows to be broadcast will include: THE FRED ALLEN SHOW, FIBBER MCGEE & COMPANY, Orson Welles as THE SHADOW, INNER SANCTUM, AND OLD GOLD CIGARETTE TIME featuring The Bickersons, plus much, much more. Also to be broadcast will be: A tribute to Louis Armstrong, hosted by Carl Pultz & Allen Rockford, old 78's presented by Bill Knowlton, hit tunes of the past with Don Richardson, two GOON SHOWS, and a special edition of THE WORLD OF MUSIC presenting Bell Telephone Hour, Voice of Firestone, and Toscanini broadcasts, plus historic performances from 78's and early LP's.

The special broadcast schedule will run from 7 AM to 8 PM, and the live, in-person events will be open FREE from 10 AM to 10 PM. Plan to attend, if possible - or to listen!

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Are you interested in mystery fiction? Steve Lewis, 62 Chestnut Road, Newington, Connecticut 06111, has periodic catalogs of mystery hardcovers, paperbacks, magazines, and old-time radio mysteries on tape. Lists are free, write for yours - and mention you saw this ad in THE SOUNDS OF YESTERDAY NOSTALGIA NEWSLETTER.

P HIGHLIGHTS OF COMEDY'S GOLDEN MOMENTS FOR MAY, 1976:
A WCNY-FM: MAY 2, 9, 16: 5:30 to 7:30 PM / MAY 23, 30: 6 to 8 PM
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8 MAY 2: The month begins with a broadcast of THE NEW EDGAR BERGEN HOUR from CBS on 2/5/56. This hour-long series was one of network radio's last comedy programs, and features Edgar's familiar partners Charlie, Mortimer, and Effie, as well as Jack Kirkwood & Ray Noble. ** Also, THE PHIL HARRIS - ALICE FAYE SHOW from NBC in 1949. Alice is attempting to acquire a driver's license, and Phil is convinced his popularity will increase her chances of passing the test - but the trusty Motor Vehicle Bureau has a few surprises for our hero! ** The zany team of Carl Reiner and Mel Brooks perform the original "2000 Year-Old Man" routine. And you haven't heard real nostalgia until you hear the 2000 Year-Old Man reminisce! **

MAY 9: Tonight: THE RALEIGH CIGARETTE PROGRAM STARRING RED SKELTON from NBC on 4/8/47, featuring Red as Clem Kadiddlehopper, Junior, "The Mean Widdle Kid," as well as a bashful customer in the women's lingerie section of a dept. store, and other humorous characters. ** We'll also hear THE LIFE OF RILEY from NBC/AFRS in 1949, starring William Bendix as Chester Riley, who wages a one-man campaign to wipe out juvenile delinquency... and contributes to his own delinquency in the process! ** THE JACK BENNY PROGRAM finds Jack and the gang invited to Don Wilson's house for dinner... only Don's wife doesn't know anything about it! The expected chaos occurs in this CBS/AFRS show of 6/2/57. **

MAY 16: Tonight's JACK BENNY PROGRAM from CBS/AFRS on 6/9/57 (just one week after the show broadcast last week) finds Jack suffering the aftermath of the invitation to Don Wilson's house. ** Also, a broadcast of THE BOB HOPE SHOW from NBC on 3/13/49, with Bob spoofing the Frankie Laine hit record "The Wild Goose", aided and abetted by regulars Doris Day, Jack Kirkwood & Irene Ryan. Later in the show, guest Fred Allen joins Bob in a send-up of Arthur Godfrey's "Talent Scouts" radio program. ** A 1944 episode of the AFRS' series COMMAND PERFORMANCE will also be heard, featuring Jack Carson, Jack Oakie, Peter Lorre, Sidney Greenstreet, and many other Hollywood stars. Wait until you hear Jack Carson try to impress a starlet by giving her one of his "famous" tours of Hollywood! ** Don Ameche and Frances Langford battle again as THE BICKERSONS in tonight's sketch which finds John and Blanche "discussing" their wedding anniversary.

MAY 23: (NEW TIME: 6 to 8 PM) In THE EDDIE CANTOR PABST BLUE RIBBON SHOW from NBC on 10/15/48, Eddie gives us his predictions of life in the year 2000, which are in the form of vignettes featuring Eddie and his cast of regulars: Harry Von Zell, Dinah Shore, Billie Burke, Alan Reed, and Bert Gordon as "The Mad Russian." There's plenty of music by Eddie and Dinah, too! ** Also, THE MEL BLANC SHOW, as broadcast on 2/4/47 on CBS. The story: Mel wants to marry his long-time girl-friend... but he must get her father's consent. The problem: The girl's father can't stand Mel! ** THE JOHNSON'S WAX PROGRAM WITH FIBBER MCGEE & MOLLY finds Fibber & Molly in trouble (again). Fibber has refused to purchase two tickets to the annual Policemen's Ball from two officers of the law, and the officers "apply the heat" to the McGees in this 1945 broadcast from NBC. ** We'll also hear a comedy monologue by Bill Cosby. **

MAY 30: (NEW TIME: 6 to 8 PM) First, a broadcast of THE AL PEARCE SHOW from CBS on 2/7/40, featuring Al as Elmer Blurt, the low-pressure salesman ("Nobody's home, I hope, I hope, I hope!"). The supporting cast includes Arlene Harris as "The Chatterbox", Mel Blanc, and Artie ("Mr. Kitzel") Auerbach. ** Also, THE JIMMY DURANTE SHOW from NBC on 10/27/47. Guest Bing Crosby teams with Jimmy to plug Jimmy's latest composition... only it seems they're the only ones who think that it's a good song! ** Hal Peary is THE GREAT GILDERSLEEVE in a 1946 broadcast from NBC. The story concerns Summerfield's appointment of Gildy as the coordinator for the town's opera presentation. ** And, comedy routines with Burns & Allen, plus Don Rickles doing what he does best. **

REMINDER: PROGRAMS OF MAY 2, 9 & 16 ARE FROM 5:30 to 7:30 PM,
PROGRAMS OF MAY 23 & 30 ARE FROM 6 to 8 PM.

REQUESTS, SUGGESTIONS, COMMENTS re: COMEDY'S GOLDEN MOMENTS: Write Gerry Orlando, Comedy's Golden Moments, WCNY-FM, Liverpool, New York 13088. Your cards and letters with comments and requests are helpful, and most appreciated. And, on weeks when the program is broadcast live, Gerry will tell you on the air about how you may speak with him (at 457-2550) during the old-time radio segments and right after the program ends for the evening. The area code is (315) if the call is long-distance.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SOUNDS OF YESTERDAY FOR MAY, 1976:
WCNY-FM: SATURDAY FROM 6 TO 8 PM (MAY 29 ONLY: 5 TO 8 PM)
WRVO-FM: FOLLOWING FRIDAY FROM 8 TO 10 PM*
ALLEN ROCKFORD & DON RICHARDSON, CO-HOSTS

1 WCNY-FM WRVO-FM OUR BIRTHDAY SALUTE TO BING CROSBY: On Sun. May 2, Bing celebrates
0 MAY 1 + MAY 7 his 72nd birthday, so tonight we have a very special program. First,
from CBS radio on 1/9/51, A SALUTE TO BING CROSBY ON HIS 20TH ANNI-
VERSARY IN RADIO, hosted by Art Linkletter, with 12 great guest stars (Amos & Andy,
Louis Armstrong, Edgar Bergen, Ella Fitzgerald, Judy Garland, Bob Hope, Mary Martin,
Dorothy Kirsten, Jack Teagarden, Jud Conlon's Rhythmaires, John Scott Trotter & His
Orch., and William S. Paley) plus Bing's mother, Mrs. H.L. Crosby, Sr., and, of course,
Bing himself. Then, we'll listen to a very early and rather rare 1934 WOODBURY SOAP
SHOW STARRING BING CROSBY (then only 30 years old). This broadcast from CBS also
features Georgie Stoll & His Orch. and announcer Ken Miles. Next, we'll hear the BING
CROSBY CHESTERFIELD SHOW from CBS on 5/24/50 (last show of the season) with guests
Bob Hope, Arthur Godfrey, Perry Como, and Bing's sons Gary, Dennis, Phillip, & Lindsay.
To complete our salute, we'll play an old 78-rpm record or two, and more radio excerpts,
including at least one with Al Jolson. **

WCNY-FM WRVO-FM OUR BIRTHDAY SALUTE TO FRED ASTAIRE: On Mon. May 10, dancer-singer-
MAY 8 + MAY 14 actor-comedian Fred Astaire celebrates his 77th birthday (hardly
seems possible!), so tonight another very special show. First, we'll
hear several lengthy radio excerpts, with Fred appearing on the BOB HOPE SHOW from NBC/
AFRS in March 1948, BING CROSBY PHILCO RADIO TIME with Peggy Lee on 4/7/48 from ABC,
and BING CROSBY CHESTERFIELD SHOWS from CBS on 5/9/51 & 2/6/52 (with Viola Von). To
round-out our salute, songs & dancing from some of Fred's great films. ** ALSO, another
in our continuing series of THE GOON SHOW from BBC (England) in the 1950's via NPR.
This one is "The Vanishing Room". Peter Sellers, Harry Secomb & Spike Milligan star. **

WCNY-FM WRVO-FM COMEDY, MUSIC & MEMORIES: Tonight, not one but two GOON SHOWS:
MAY 15 + MAY 21 "The Internal Mountain" and "The Great Bank of England Robbery".
Fans won't want to miss this; everyone else take fair warning! As
always, the comedy is insane and the insanity is hilarious. ** For a change of pace,
but funny in its own way, we present THE HALLS OF IVY from NBC on 5/24/50 starring
Ronald Colman and Benita Hume (Mrs. Colman). The story: "The Boxing Promoter" visits
the Halls to persuade a student who is both a promising boxer, and medical student to
give up medicine. ** Bill Knowlton drops by with 15-minutes of old 78's from THE DUSTY
RECORD SHELF. ** Closing our show, a mini-tribute to Mary Margaret McBride, the long-
time hostess of radio programs and renowned interviewer & writer, who died 4/7/76 at
age 76. **

WCNY-FM WRVO-FM OUR BIRTHDAY SALUTE TO BOB HOPE: On Sat. May 29, Bob celebrates his
MAY 22 + MAY 28 73rd birthday, so tonight another in our popular series of salutes.
To get us started, THE "HAPPY-BIRTHDAY, BOB HOPE" SHOW from NBC
radio on 5/29/63 (Bob was just 60, then), with host Hugh Downs and many radio excerpts,
plus highlights from movie soundtracks. Among the many stars heard are: Frank Sinatra,
Jack Benny, Bing Crosby, Jimmy Durante, Jayne Mansfield, Edgar Bergen, Rosemary Clooney,
Tony Bennett, Milton Berle, Lucille Ball, George Burns, Jim "Fibber McGee" Jordan,
Eddie Cantor, Jerry Colonna, Marilyn Maxwell, Frances Langford, Les Brown, Skinnay
Ennis, Doris Day, George Murphy, and Hedda Hopper. Plus, Bob reminisces. Then, we'll
play THE BOB HOPE USO TOUR SPECIAL from NBC on 6/21/45 in which Bob and members of his
USO tour troupe entertain the radio audience and Ed Herlihy "interviews" Bob about his
USO tours - the ad libs fly hot and heavy! And, finally, I NEVER LEFT HOME, a set of
78-rpm records released in 1946, featuring excerpts from actual Bob Hope broadcasts
from service camps in a tribute to the Armed Forces of the USA. **

WCNY-FM WRVO-FM RADIO SALUTES BROADWAY *(3-hour special starting at 5 pm on WCNY-FM,
MAY 29 + JUNE 4 edited 2-hr version on WRVO-FM at usual time)* Radio productions of
three Broadway hits: THE THEATRE GUILD ON THE AIR presents "Knicker-
bocker Holiday" with Walter Huston, from ABC on 12/30/45; THE RAILROAD HOUR from NBC on
10/30/50 stars Gordon MacRae, Dorothy Kirsten & Lucille Norman in "Showboat" and ZIEG-
FELD FOLLIES OF THE AIR from CBS on 1/27/36 stars Fanny Brice & James Melton in an 11-
scene revue for radio (highlights only on WRVO-FM). Also, on WCNY-FM only: songs from
the original 1919 Broadway/1920 London cast recordings of "Irene", and more surprises!