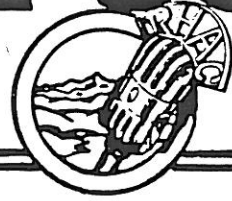


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NEW MEETING PLACE

APRIL MEETING

The April meetings of the Radio Historical Association of Colorado, Inc. will meet on the 3rd Sunday's from now on! This will be April 15th at 7:30 pm. The meeting place is.....CAPITOL FEDERAL SAVINGS located at 2nd Ave and Wadsworth Blvd in Lakewood.

We hope to see everyone there and that this new night will allow more people to attend as there is no traffic to fight. Please bring a friend!

John Dunning's OTR schedule for APRIL, KNUS 710 on your AM dial.

SATURDAY'S 4 to 6 PM

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| APRIL 7 | AMOS AND ANDY: Income Taxes, part 1 of 2. | 3-2-45 |
| | SUSPENSE: Reprieve. With John Garfield. | 5-10-45 |
| | THE GREAT GILDERSLEEVE: Gildy Plans A Honeymoon. | 6-13-43 |
| APRIL 14 | AMOS AND ANDY: Income Taxes, part 2. | 3-9-45 |
| | WE TAKE YOU BACK: Edward R. Murrow, Bob Trout and other newsmen recal earlier days. | 3-13-58 |
| | THE GREAT GILDERSLEEVE: Wedding Day. | 6-27-43 |
| APRIL 21 | THE MGM THEATRE OF THE AIR: Anna Karenina. With Marlene Dietrich. 60 min | 1950 |
| | THE GREAT GILDERSLEEVE: End of Vacation at Grass Lake. | 8-29-43 |
| APRIL 28 | THE RAILROAD HOUR: The Student Prince. With Gordon MacRae and Evelyn Case. | 1-15-51 |
| | THE SCREEN GUILD THEATRE: Winotchka. With William Powell, Joan Fontaine. 60 min | 9-14-50 |
| | THE GREAT GILDERSLEEVE: War Bond Drive. | 9-12-43 |

SUNDAY'S 2 to 5 PM

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| APRIL 1: | THE FORD THEATRE: My Sister Eileen (60 min.) | 6-13-48 |
| | THE JACK BENNY SHOW: 1st of 6 shows. With Ronald & Benita Coleman, Leo Durocher. | 11-17-46 |
| APRIL 8: | THE LUX RADIO THEATRE: It Happened One Night. With Clark Gable, Claudette Colbert. | 3-20-39 |
| | THE JACK BENNY SHOW: Trying To Get Rid Of The Sportsman. | 3-2-47 |
| APRIL 15: | THE DEAN MARTIN JERRY LEWIS SHOW: 1st show with guest Lucille Ball. | 4-3-49 |
| | ESCAPE: The S.S. San Pedro. | 8-22-48 |
| | THE JACK BENNY SHOW: Talent Agency to Replace Sportsman. | 3-9-47 |
| APRIL 22: | THE ADVENTURES OF TOPPER: Rajah the Medium. With Roland Young as Cosmo Topper. | 9-6-45 |
| | LES MISERABLES: The Bishop. Part 1 of 7, rescheduled from earlier. | 7-23-37 |
| | THE JACK BENNY SHOW: Sportsman's Agent To Get Them Back. | 3-16-47 |
| APRIL 29: | THE WORLD'S GREAT NOVELS: KIDNAPPED, By Robert Lewis Stevenson. 1st of 3 parts. | 4-30-48 |
| | LES MISERABLES: Javert, part 2. | 7-30-37 |
| | THE JACK BENNY SHOW: Guest Jane Wyman. | 3-30-47 |

COLORADO SPRINGS OTR SCHEDULE

As I have not received the schedule in time this month we will try again next month. Just as reminder to everyone, I need all material in my possession sometime during the 3rd week of the month to get it into the current newsletter. Your cooperation is appreciated.



RETURN WITH US NOW is the official publication of the Radio Historical Association of Colorado, Inc., a non-profit corporation. The cost of a membership is \$15.00 per year, and allows the member full use of the clubs resources.

For further information contact one of the following:

- PRESIDENT: John Lloyd - 2667 E. 99th Ave., Thornton, CO 80229 - 451-7890
- VICE PRESIDENT: Guy Albright - 786 S. Quitman St., Denver, CO 80219 934-0184
- TREASURER: John H. Licht - 617 Detroit, Denver, CO 80206 321-6269
- TAPE LIBRARIAN: Elmer E. Westbrook - 855 S. Corona, Denver, CO 80209 778-7426
- SECRETARY: Reid Hansen - 1205 Carr, Lakewood, CO 80215 - 232-8068
- BLANK TAPE SALES: Barrett Benson - P.O.Box 1690, Arvada, CO 80001 - 422-6442
- EDITOR AND MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN: John Callor - P.O.Box 1109, Westminster, CO 80030 - 429-4639

The RHAC would like to welcome the following new members:

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|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|------|
| Jack Howley | 411 Crestview Ct. | Jeffersonville, IN 47130 | 2/85 |
| Linda Wachter | 3451 Montrose Ave. | La Crescenta, CA 91214 | 3/85 |
| Jeffery Blum | 7 Fiesta Ct. | Patchogue, NY 11772 | 3/85 |
| Charles Andrews | 6820 Raasaf Cir. | Las Cruces, NM 88005 | 3/85 |
| George Cofrank | 12482 W. Louisiana Ave. | Lakewood, CO 80228 | 4/85 |
| Network For Learning | 105 Fifth Ave. | New York, NY 10003 | 3/85 |
| Robert Hawkins | P.O. Box 1298 | Springfield, IL 62705 | 4/85 |

If any of the officers or members of the club can help in any way, please let us know!

We would like to thank the following for renewing with the RHAC for another fun filled and exciting year:

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| Jerome Weber | 3/85 | James Snyder | 4/85 | Thomas Monroe | 4/85 |
| Fred Nicholas | 4/85 | Charles Smith | 3/85 | John Lilly | 3/85 |
| Herb Duniven | 3/85 | Gene Thurber | 3/85 | Bruce Tidball | 3/85 |
| Robert Frier | 4/85 | Dan Haeefe | 2/85 | | |

WANTED

Reel to reel tape player that will operate in a car. It must take 4 track 7" reels recorded at 3 3/4 ips.. Also would like a copy of SPERDVAC magazine #3 even a reproduced copy would be great! Send information to: Tom Mastel 1547 Arbutus Drive San Jose, CA 95118

Will trade for any sports programs. Looking for full baseball, football or basketball games from the 1940's or 50's. Send info to: John Lloyd 2667 E. 99th Ave. Thornton, CO 80229

Remember, if you have something to sell, for sell, or looking for that special show..send your ads to the newsletter editor.

RHAC HAPPENINGS!!!!!!

Charlie Smith forwarded a copy of a tape catalog from a University radio tape library. It has many interesting listings and we will attempt to make some trades with them. Lots of good news programs for you history buffs. We hope to have about this later. John Lloyd.

COLORADO SPRINGS CHAPTER OF RHAC

The C/S chapter of the RHAC meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Restall Center at room 203 at 7:30 pm. Charlie Smith is the Chairman of the C/S chapter and handles the transfer of information between the main Denver organization and the C/S chapter.

NOTES FROM ELMER WESTBROOK TAPE LIBRARIAN

There has been some confusion about mailing rates and about the care of tapes sent out and back. To help out here are some pointers to keep in mind.

- 1) Do not use Scotch tape to secure ends of tape, use only masking tape as any other tape ruins the leader and it must be replaced.
- 2) Please rewind the tape so that side 1 is on side 1 of the reel.
- 3) Please include alternate selections for orders and state if you want to back order a certain tape. Otherwise ALL orders will be considered complete when they are mailed to you. You are allowed up to 10 tapes on one order.
- 4) Use STRAPPING tape or 3M brand 1 1/2 " brown binding tape to secure boxes when mailed. Any other tape will not hold.
- 5) Tapes are mailed LIBRARY RATE and both address labels are printed this way. When returning tapes please use the same box and labels. To save you money when sending tapes back, use the handy postage chart printed below:
1 tape = 35 cents 2 tapes = 47 3 tapes = 71 cents 4 tapes = 83 5 tapes = 83 cents 6 tapes = 95

I hope that this will make the library easier to use and that orders will get to you on time and be returned in good condition. Please be patient as I am still getting the past orders out and working out a good system for myself.

Thanks, Elmer

BLANK TAPE SALES

All members--blank tape is \$1.50 per reel, \$60.00 per case of 40. This is good quality Ampex 1.5 mil 1200' tape. Out of town members who want to order tape please send \$70.00 per case to cover postage and material and indicate if you want insurance to: Barrett Benson...P.O. Box 1690...Arvada, CO 80001...(303)422-6442. Please make ALL CHECKS payable to BARRETT BENSON as he pre-pays for the tape himself. Any excess from shipping will be sent to you with your order. Special orders are welcome, but only in case lots!

NOTES FROM PRESIDENT JOHN LLOYD!

A Board of Directors meeting was held at the home of Elmer Westbrook on March 4th. Those attending were President John Lloyd, Vice President Guy Albright, Secretary Reid Hansen, Treasurer John Licht, Newsletter Editor / Membership Chairman John Callor, Tape Librarian Elmer Westbrook and outgoing Treasurer / Tape Librarian / Membership Chairman John Migrala.

A committee was formed to revise the RHAC by-laws. Those serving on the committee will be John Licht, Elmer Westbrook and John Lloyd. A completion date was set for May, 1984. It will be presented to the BOD at that time and published in Return With Us Now for the membership. RHAC growth, new chapters of the club, financial considerations, voting, types of membership and selection of officers all warrant new revisions to our existing by-laws.

It was decided that the books now available in our reference library would be rented for a period of 30 days at the cost of \$1.25 which includes postage one way. The member will be responsible for returning the book in good condition and also postage back to the club.

John Migrala spent some time assisting John Licht in a smooth transition of the treasury and with Elmer Westbrook in assuming the tape library.

Due to the bad weather situation that weekend, Charlie Smith was unable to make it up from Colorado Springs. I will attempt to get to Colorado Springs to meet with Charlie and also to get to one of their meetings to discuss their needs and wants and suggestions.

I would like to thank the members using the tape library for their patience during the transition of moving the tape library from John Migrala's house over to Elmers. For the out-of-town members Denver had a series of snow storms over the last few weekends and we were unable to move the tape library until recently. Elmer is getting into the swing of things and should have things running smoothly soon. Please be patient with your orders until that time.

TAPE DONATIONS FIND A NEW START

We would like to thank all members who have donated material to the RHAC. It will be going into the tape library as soon as possible. To get confirmation to members who donate material as soon as possible, and to screen material for quality please send all tapes to: Charlie Smith 2760 N. Academy Blvd. #301 Colorado Springs, CO 80907. Again thanks to everyone who has sent material and hope to hear from more of you soon.

RHAC TAPE LIBRARY

REEL 410 JOHN DUNNING INTERVIEWS

1200'

1L	8-7-83	Sheldon Leonard
	8-10-83	Mel Blanc
	8-13-83	Hy Averback
2L	8-13-83	Hy Averback
	8-14-83	Alice Faye
1R	8-20-83	Nelson Olmstead
	8-21-83	Charles Collingwood
2R	8-21-83	Charles Collingwood
	8-28-83	Hal Cantor

REEL 411 JOHN DUNNING INTERVIEWS

1200'

1L	8-28-83	Hal Cantor
	9-4-83	Carroll Carroll
2L	9-4-83	Carroll Carroll
	9-11-83	Nelson Olmstead
1R	9-11-83	Nelson Olmstead
	9-18-83	Eric Sevareid
2R	9-18-83	Eric Sevareid
	10-2-83	Lurene Tuttle

REEL 412 JOHN DUNNING INTERVIEWS

1200'

1L	10-2-83	Lurene Tuttle
	10-23-83	Jack Johnstone
2L	10-23-83	Jack Johnstone
	10-30-83	Harry Bartell
1R	10-30-83	Harry Bartell
	11-6-83	George Balzer
2R	11-6-83	George Balzer
	11-13-83	Berne Surrey

REEL 413 JOHN DUNNING INTERVIEWS

1200'

1L	11-13-83	Berne Surrey
	11-27-83	Ray Bradbury
2L	11-27-83	Ray Bradbury
	12-11-83	Bill Idelson
1R	12-11-83	Bill Idelson
	1-8-84	Gertrude Warner
2R	1-8-84	Gertrude Warner

RHAC TAPE LIBRARY

REEL 414 DAY OF THE TRIFFIDS/ESCAPE 1300'

1L		Day Of The Triffids - Episode #1
		Day Of The Triffids - Episode #2
2L		Day Of The Triffids - Episode #3
		Day Of The Triffids - Episode #4
1R		Day Of The Triffids - Episode #5
		Day Of The Triffids - Episode #6
2R	11-10-50	ESCAPE: Earth Abides - Part 1
	11-17-50	ESCAPE: Earth Abides - Part 2

REEL 415 MISCELLANEOUS SOAPS 1200'

1L	11-28-47	JOYCE JORDAN: Thanksgiving Dinner
	12-3-47	JOYCE JORDAN: A Heartbreaking Scene
	12-4-47	JOYCE JORDAN: Brett To Convalesce At Dawson's
	12-8-47	JOYCE JORDAN: Dr. Alex Gives Resignation
2L	12-9-47	JOYCE JORDAN: Joyce Has Resigned
	12-11-47	JOYCE JORDAN: Trying To Find Office - Apartment
	12-15-47	JOYCE JORDAN: Firm Decision To Resign
	12-16-47	JOYCE JORDAN: Joyce Has Hung Out Her Shingle
1R	12-22-47	JOYCE JORDAN: Sara Has Regained Consciousness
	12-23-47	JOYCE JORDAN: Bob & Eleanor Wilcox Talk
	12-30-47	JOYCE JORDAN: Sara Decides To Keep The Baby
	12-31-47	JOYCE JORDAN: Bob & Joyce Blame Joyce
2R	10-29-46	EVELYN WINTERS: Listening To Begin The Begine
	12-10-40	THE GOLDBERGS: Sylvia Allison
	12-11-40	THE GOLDBERGS: More Trouble With Sylvia
	12-12-40	THE GOLDBERGS: Bad Blood Between Molly And Sylvia

REEL 416 FIBBER McGEE AND MOLLY 1200'

1L	11-7-39	Hiawatha
	11-14-39	Traffic Ticket
2L	11-21-39	Overdue Library Book
	11-28-39	Finance Company After Car
1R	12-5-39	Adjusters At Department Store
	12-12-39	Jewelry Store Robbery
2R	12-19-39	Package From Uncle Sycamore
	12-26-39	Butler Gildersleeve

'30s 'Thin Man' sleuth William Powell dies at 91



William Powell

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) — William Powell, the dapper sleuth of the "Thin Man" movies who began his career in the silent-film era and ended it in 1955 as the crusty ship's doctor in "Mister Roberts," died Monday at the age of 91.

Powell, described Monday by his "Thin Man" partner Myrna Loy as a "true gentleman," died at Desert Hospital from "the infirmities of old age," said his physician, Dr. Irving Hirshleifer.

Powell's wife of 44 years, former actress

Diana Lewis, was with him when he died.

Powell, a resident of this desert resort since 1941, had lived in quiet retirement since the mid-1950s. In the last five years he began to deteriorate physically, requiring assistance to walk and needing two attendants at home in addition to his wife, Hirshleifer said.

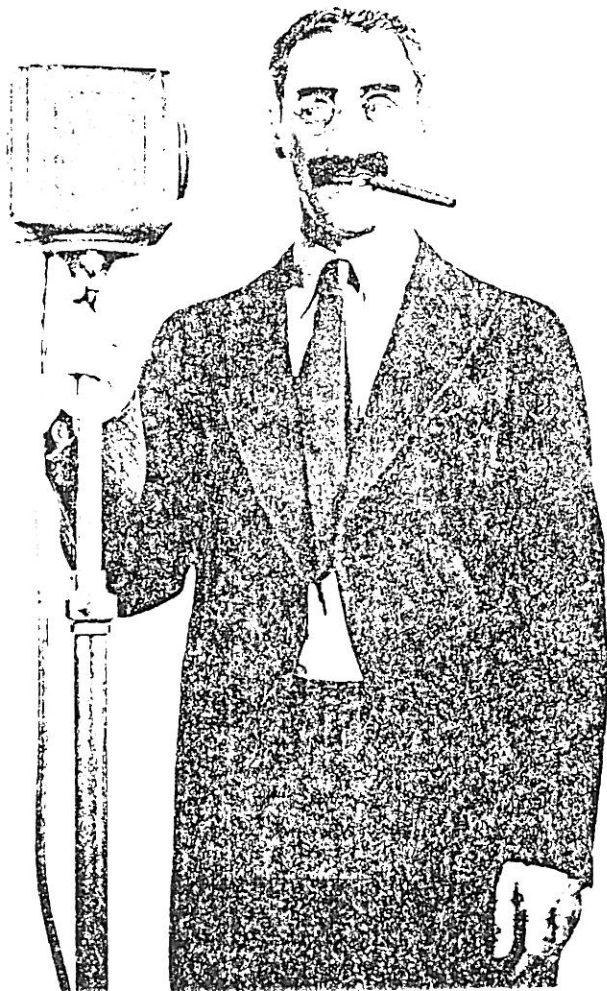
But the actor, whose trademarks were a clipped moustache, impeccable attire and resonant voice, remained the suave gentleman to the

end, the doctor said.

He had been married twice before, to actress Carole Lombard in 1931, and in 1915 to Eileen Wilson, who bore his son. William Jr. committed suicide in 1968 at the age of 43.

Powell was engaged to actress Jean Harlow when she died in 1937.

Powell won Academy Award nominations for "My Man Godfrey" in 1936, "Life With Father" in 1947, and "The Thin Man" in 1934.



Groucho Marx made many memorable appearances on radio during the 1930's, but he never really clicked with a regular show of his own.

In 1945, with ten movie successes (as one of the Marx Brothers) under his belt, he made another unsuccessful attempt to enter radio. Undaunted by failure, he accepted an offer to do a one-shot radio marathon with Bob Hope. Groucho was supposed to trade prepared quips with Bob. The show went poorly until Hope accidentally dropped his script. Groucho placed his foot firmly on the material, and when Hope could not retrieve it, the show continued on an ad-lib basis.

Groucho was doing the thing he knew best now—unrehearsed, unwritten humor. Howls of laughter came from the studio audience. Thousands of calls and wires flooded the network. In the audience was a young producer, John Guedel, who went backstage to meet Groucho and propose a new show called "You Bet Your Life." It was this show that made Groucho Marx a radio (and subsequently a TV) star. (See page 145.)

Museum salutes TV-radio team

By **FRED ROTHENBERG**
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK — Bob and Ray. Ray and Bob. They're interchangeable, each taking turns making comedy curves out of the other's straight lines. For more than 35 years, their humorously human characters have been delivering the goods without telling a single stand-up joke or the least bit off-color remark.

Bob is Bob Elliott; Ray is Ray Goulding. You can call them Bob and Ray. Everybody does. Their brand of comedy is too universally personal for last names, like Abbott & Costello, Laurel & Hardy, Stiller & Mearer. Bob and Ray are our friends; only friends can get away with making us look foolish.

They once offered listeners **GRIT**, "which makes your hands look dirty to give you an honest workman's appearance." Only **SMURGE** will take it off, and only **WHIFF**, in the 2-gallon demi-jar, removes the odor of **SMURGE**.

Bob is the thinner and shorter one, so the other must be Ray. One was Bert and the other was Harry Piels of beer-ad fame. Even American Express got into their act, giving the boys a "Do you know me?" commercial: sure sign of superstardom.

The Museum of Broadcasting, open to the public here, is in the second week of its four-week "Bob and Ray Retrospective," offering the best broadcast bits from their countless radio and TV routines.

"It's nice to have this retrospective happen while you're still alive," Ray says.

Each afternoon, Tuesday through Saturday, the museum offers five hours of film clips and audio snippets from many of their radio and TV shows, and guest appearances.

Bob and Ray began collaborating by accident in 1946, when newscaster Ray and disk jockey Bob of Boston station WHDH decided to kid

around on-air just to amuse themselves.

"The record would end, and we'd have to do something out of pure necessity," Ray says. "It wasn't always funny, but it was something."

In October, they'll be back on the radio with regular appearances on National Public Radio.

Whatever characters they bring along, roving reporter Wally Ballou is bound to find their foibles, pierce their pomposity and satirize anything we think we hold dear.

Over the years, some of our favorites have been the head of the *FastTalkersOfAmerica*, the editor of *Wasting Time Magazine* and the Right Honorable G.M. Hummerbeck's bull's-eye of a political babble-burster.

R.H. Hummerbeck believes most politicians make the mistake of choosing one party. He likes both sides of the fence and runs on every ticket. He dusted off William Jennings Bryan's free-silver campaign "to see if it still works."

Wasting Time Magazine gets stuffed-and-mounted hobbyists to come out of the woodwork. One poor soul collects odd-shaped fruits. They don't fit in an album, so he transports them in brown paper sacks. He once paid a Minneapolis farmer a mere \$4 for a cucumber-shaped cantaloupe, but it cost \$400 for airfare to get there.

Another deadly enthusiast photographs the nearly extinct California condor, and if you can't see the fowls because they blend with the foliage, that's your problem, not his.

The *FastTalkersOfAmerica* held their annual convention in New York and wrapped up business in 14 minutes. That left more time to hit ALL the night spots, which they squeezed into one night.

Why live life in the express lane? "It leaves more time for yourself," says the head of the FTOA on his way out.

PLEASE ADD THIS PAGE TO YOUR RHAC CATALOGUE AS THIS HAS SOME IMPORTANT AND NEW INFORMATION.

REFERENCE LIBRARY

As a member of the RHAC you have available to you a wealth of information. The library includes some 6000 pages of material in the form of copies of magazine articles and original articles. You will receive a listing from the Membership Chairman and it will be updated as needed.

The rental library is a RENTAL library. Material is rented to the member for a period of 30 days. The fee is 4 cents per page and includes the cost of postage one way. When ordering, simply state the name of the category and the number of pages. Example: DIMENSION X, 25 pages X 4 cents = \$1.00. The books in the library are rented for a total of \$1.25 per book and has the same 30 day limit. You are only allowed one book at a time. Please use the enclosed labels as this helps and take note of the postage rate to you so you can also send it back LIBRARY RATE. Please make checks payable to RHAC. Send all requests to: John Callor P.O. Box 1109 Westminster, CO 80030.

Please note the increase of material from 2 cents per page to 4 cents per page. This was increased to simplify the reference library. We have also added several new BOOKS to the library. They rent for \$1.25 per book and are allowed out for the same 30 day period. This price includes postage one way and it is up to the member to return the book in good condition. Please use the enclosed return labels and take note of the postage as it is a SPECIAL LIBRARY RATE and will save you some money. Here is a list of the new books: 'WHAT EVER HAPPENED TO THE QUIZ KIDS' by Ruth Duskin Feldman and 'HIS TYPEWRITER GREW SPURS.....A BIOGRAPHY OF FRAN STRIKER--WRITER' by Fran Striker, Jr.

LOG LIBRARY GROWS

The following LOGS and SCRIPTS are now available:

- 1) Frankenstein (1931) 2 pgs 30 cts
- 2) Richard Diamond 8 pgs 60 cts
- 3) The Spotlight Band Story 1941 - 1946 34 pgs \$1.90
- 4) Scripts of Spotlight Band: A) Eddy Howard 5 pgs 45 cts
- B) Frankie Masters 6 pgs 50 cts C) Bobby Sherwood 6 pgs 50 cts
- D) Jan Barber 6 pgs 50 cts

Send all log orders to: John Callor P.O. Box 1109 Westminster CO 80030

Where to send stuff to:

- 1) Order Logs, Reference Material, Membership Chairman (new and renewals) and Newsletter articles - John Callor P.O. Box 1109 Westminster, CO 80030
- 2) Tapes Library orders - Elmer Westbrook 855 S. Corona Denver, CO 80209

Thank you for all your help and continued support!

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