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Bing Is Back! Fred Waring Set For Year!! Lawsuit Killed,

WARING WEARS WELL...BING BOUNCES BACK

WOW Shows Win 24 Firsts In **Big Poll**

Turn to page 3 for the complete list of winners in the Motion Picture Daily Poll.

Poll. NBC programs and personalities, all heard on WOW, have repeated last year's sweep in Radio Daily's annual All-American Certified Poll, again winning 14 of the 24 first places. Released January 21, the results of balloting for 1945 choices by 1,100 editors and writers throughout the country also re-vcaled that CBS took six titles and ABC three, with one winner un-affiliated. affiliated.

All but one of NBC's winners were titleholders in the 1944 poll, but to "Fibber McGee and Molly" went the honor of a double win in the important favorite commer-cial program category and favorite comedy team group. Bob Hope was another double winner, repeat-ing as favorite entertainer and fa-uarite corrections. vorite comedian.

Crosby Tops

Bing Crosby, favorite male vo-calist (popular), received more in-dividual votes than any other entry. Dinah Shore was favorite feminine vocalist (popular) and John Charles Thomas took the male classical vo-calist title. Arturo Toscanini was first among the symphonic con-ductors. Tommy Dorsey, NBC's newcomer in the winners' circle, completed the network's list of title holders in the music field, winning most votes as top swing dance band. "Information Please" was the fa-

vorite quiz program again. "One Man's Family," back on NBC, took first place among the dramatic serials

Lowell Thomas was selected as favorite news commentator. Bill Stern topped the sports commenta-tors and Don Wilson won in the balloting for honors among the announcers.

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ON STEEL STRIKE

Within four minutes of the start of the steel strike at 12:01 a. m., January 21, NBC was on the air with an eye-witness description of with an eye-witness description of the scene outside one of America's largest steel mills in Homestead, Pa. W W Chaplin the natural's W W Chaplin the natural's

W. W. Chaplin, the network's For the broadcast. -WOW-



Huffington, Fort Madison, Iowa. The \$2,500 grand prize winner was Carroll P. Craig, Sr., of Pacific Palisades, Calif. The second prize of \$1,500 went to Charles S. Do-herty, Cleveland, and the third prize of \$1,000 to Miss Joyce O'Hara, Detroit. Sports Editor Tom Dailey of WOW participated by request in



The "glorious music" of Fred Waring and his folks will be continued for another year.

Three in WOW-Land

Three listeners who live in or near WOW's territory were \$100 Victory Bond winners in the "I can't stand Jack Benny because—"

There were more than 277,000

Win J. Benny Bonds

Yes, He Hears!

If radio's slim fingers can pluck a melody from night and toss it over continent and sea;

If the muted notes of a violin can be heard over mountains and cities' din:

If songs, like crimson roses, can be culled from thin, blue air, Then why do mortals wonder if God hears prayers?

-Mrs. H. T. Ring, Hooper Sentinel.

Sheen Returns to 'The Catholic Hour'



Harry Lillis Crosby and his sponsor have kissed and made up. Goody, goody!

Harvest Selects Best Kern Tune "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes" is

the most popular song Jerome Kern ever wrote, a nation-wide poll re-vealed for the "Harvest of Stars" program (Sundays, 1 p. m., WOW, via NBC). "Harvest of Stars" polled New York, Cleveland, Chicago and Los Angeles. Those interviewed were handed lists of 25 Kern songs and asked their preference. "Smoke,"

asked their preference. "Smoke," written in 1933 for "Roberta," led all others with an 87 per cent "liking" score.

NEW 7-UP SHOW The Seven Up Bottling Company and its dealers throughout WOW---wow---**REGAINS AIRPORT**

AMI Buys Waring

PUBLISHED MONTHLY

Yes, friends, there's g-o-o-d news tonight .

Bing Crosby's back and the Fred Waring show is all set for another 52 weeks!

Kraft Foods Company recently Kraft Foods Company recently filed suit for declaratory judgment and injunction in New York against Bing Crosby. The complaint al-leges that Crosby has refused to continue his appearances on its ra-dio show, the "Kraft Music Hall," contrary to a 10-year agreement with the company.

The Fred Waring show, launched seven months ago as an NBC experiment in daytime programming, has won its spurs and a sponsor-The American Meat Institute. This The American Meat Institute. This assures listeners that this popular daytime half hour of "glorious mu-sic" will remain on the air, at least until January 15, 1947.

The American Meat Institute The American Meat Institute sponsors the program two days a week, Tuesdays and Thursdays. The program will continue, how-ever, to be heard on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the usual time—10 a. m., on WOW. Frank Morgan and Eddy Duchin, who have been replacing Crosby

who have been replacing Crosby during his radio absence, will con-tinue on the coast-to-coast half hour. Since Bing is starting work on a new motion picture shortly and will be on location part of the time, it will be necessary for him to be away occasionally from the "Kraft Music Hall."

This will be Crosby's first pro-gram since June 28.

The entire Waring organization will be heard for The American Meat Institute, as it is on its sus-taining periods. Waring will con-tinue to feature the famous glee club and his many soloists.

It was on June 4 last year that NBC began its experiment in pro-viding top nighttime talent for day-time listeners by booking Waring and his Pennsylvanians, long a ra-dio p. m. feature, in the 10 a. m. time spot.

Only a couple of weeks ago the Peabody Awards Committee for Nebraska recommended that Waring he given a special award for providing listeners with "the finest daytime show on the air."

Additionally, the Motion Picture Daily's annual "Fame Awards" (see page 3) listed the Waring show as radio's best daytime program.

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and a start	Sheen will deliver the first of a	Edgar Bergen will soon be an	Land are sponsors of a new pro- gram, entitled "Seven Up Club of
	(NBC, 5 p. m., WOW).	funnyman (Sundays, 7 p. m., WOW) expects to get back from	The program consists of brand- new popular recordings.
Kay Kyser's NBC "College of	Pilgrimage," has been subdivided into the topics "Christ's Love as	the private airport he owns at Mon- tecello, Calif., some 50 miles from	IOWA AUDIENCE
for television. Kyser has dressed every member of the show in the proper collegiate garb and has even had scenic backdrops made for the	followed by "Purity: the Sacristan of Love, February 10; "Exhortion to a Bride and Groom," February 17, and "Love and Children," Feb-	tually establish a modern air-motel, complete from rooms and restau- rant to beauty parlors for family	The 1945 Iowa Radio Audience Survey, conducted by Dr. Forest L. Wahn of the University of Wichita for Station WHO, Des Moines, indicates WOW has substantial listenership in 31 western Iowa
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Now you can check up—right thi date your News Tower subscription NOW! This may be your last issu If your WOW News Tower	is minute—on the Turn to page n expires! Check Stamped there, y ue. subscription expires soon, wrap 50 c	8 to your name and address. ou'll find a date, such as 2/46, which 1946. cents in a piece of paper, with your	SIGN FOR DISCS The Satisfiers, celebrated quartet featured on "Chesterfield Supper Club" (NBC, five-a-week, 6 p. m., WOW), have been signed to make records for the RCA Victor Record Division.
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HUSKERS GOING WEST . . .

Already Tom Dailey is getting set to bask in California

in a Capsule The church cannot continue to be satisfied with mere ritual and form. The pulpit must have a prophetic Public service in a capsule might was quoted recently as having said that there were 150 sets of resolube the way to describe a series of announcements on WOW sponvoice, so that its message will carry convictions to its hearer and desire for new experiences in the realm of the spiritual shall be created by includes such reminder phrases as: tions on his desk from various organizations disclosing conditions that needed to be corrected and suggesting remedies, but that's the its testimony. The church must not only have a voice of protest, but a "Overseas clothing relief clothing collection starts today." "Don't forget new auto license plates today!" "Slippery streets today. Drive carefully!" program to lead people to higher ally go and sit back on our oars and do nothing about it. and better things. Let us take the way of righte-Avoid Politics ousness, godliness and brotherly Which way are we going? Caplove. "Amended federal income tax esital and labor should avoid making Tune in each Sunday morning timates due January 15." "The Ice Show starts tonight— Ak-Sar-Ben Coliseum." political issues out of their probfor the Radio Chapel service, 8:30 lems. However, labor should not contribute to the destruction of our o'clock. The public interest phrases are prepared by WOW. Similarly un-usual "chain-breaks" are used by Sunkist throughout the nation. system of personal enterprize and private capital; nor, on the other hand, should industry continue to give the impression that labor is ? Your Last Copy ? Yes, sir. Simply turn to page 8, merely a commodity to be purchased -wowwhere your name and address is at a price arbitrarily dictated by stamped on the margin. The date your News Tower subscription AWAIT STORK Both are essential. What we must have is a spirit of cooperation. Both of them should avoid making At a party that Kay Kyser gave for the cast of his NBC "College of Musical Knowledge," he proudly announced that he and his wife, expires is printed here. "2/46" means February, 1946. If your subscription expires soon, RE-NEW now! Just send your name, address and 50 cents to WOW! the public, the ultimate victims of their clashes. In the international setup there will be no peace in the world if we Georgia Carroll, were expecting the stork in May.

be heard in greetings from Japan, Christmas Day. We heard him very well. Our little boy was quite impressed at hearing his father, because he knows him only by our talking about his daddy. We had a perfect Christmas because of the recording. Thank you for your thoughtful

tober number. WOW is the only station I listen to-turn it on in the morning and don't turn it off until after the news Chadron, Neb. - I received the

telegram stating that my husband, Corporal Robert A. Lyons, would

sunshine—next November 30! He's pleased as punch that last that is heard of them. He con-the Nebraska Cornhuskers will play UCLA, because he hopes ally go and sit back on our oars to broadcast that contest next November 30. The Huskers, incidentally, start their 1946 season on September 28 against Minnesota, continue in order against Kansas State, Iowa State, Kansas U, Indiana, Missouri, Iowa, Oklahoma and, lastly, UCLA. Need a "spotter" for the UCLA game, Tom?

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FROM HERE AND THERE . .

Ten years ago the radio "Top Ten" (Hoopers) were: Major Bowes, Rudy Vallee, Burns and Allen, Jack Benny, Amos 'n' Andy, Showboat, Fred Allen, "March of Time," Fred Waring and Walter Winchell . . . That WOW quartet them. could work 18 engagements per week if it wasn't made up of WOW announcers, at least one of which must be on duty some of the time . . . Broadcasters are worried about the old daylight-savings-time problem, which was lost in the war shuffle, but which is now bobbing up again.

28 WOW FOLKS WIN IN JEEP CONTEST



Quite a lot of the WOW boys have come back from the service. We've told you that a number of times in this column. But, there's one whose family is wondering a lit-



Soren Munkhof

than three years overseas. His mother and fa-ther were overjoyed, and Jimmy began to enjoy civilian life.

But, Jimmy had had so much of regimentation and early-to-bed, early-to-rise hours that he turned the clock around for a while-late hours, tsk, tsk. Finally, his mother pulled the quip of the month. Said she to Jimmy in a little note: "Jim, do you mind writing us your new APO number.

Newsroom Commuters

New York and its commuters have nothing on the WOW newsroom—while we are talking about traveling. Jim Baugh of the news staff lives in another city, county

and state, and has to cross the Missouri River to and from work. But, strange as it seems, there are two of the other boys who live even farther from work than Jim. Herb Lee lives out in Benson, 72 blocks from the office. That's just six blocks farther from work than Baugh's Council Bluffs residence.

But, the fellow who really covers distance on the way down to write the news is Carl Uhlarik. Carl lives in South Omaha—just 82 blocks from WOW. The other nine memtoward the center of town—at rea-sonable distances.

Al Larson Back

And, speaking of the ninth member of the department, Secretary Irene Larson left the newsroom as this magazine went to press. The reason: Hubby, Al, WOW office manager, came back from the Army.

manager, came back from the Army. On the subject of Al, one of the biggest chuckles at the station, which let Irene in for a lot of rib-bing, came when she received a telegram—collect—from Al. Hubby said he was going to spend a three-day pass in Kansas City. And, he wanted Irene to wire \$50. She did. In Irene's place in the newsroom is Wilma Swatek, another com-muter—this time from Plattsmouth. Wilma has been promoted from the program department.

program department.

Herold to New York

Also leaving the station is Cissie Ward of program. She is joining her newly-returned husband in Washington. Two other staffers are leaving temporarily. Pat O'Hara is having her tonsils out and taking time off from bookkeeping to do it. Technical Super Joe Herold is tak-ing another trip to New York for further television study. further television study. But, we've had some returnees, too. Aunt Sally returned to her job after several weeks off and an operation. She's much better. And Prexy Johnny Gillin has wound up another trip—this one to California for the National Association of for the National Association of Broadcasters convention, and a glimpse of the Rose Bowl game while there.

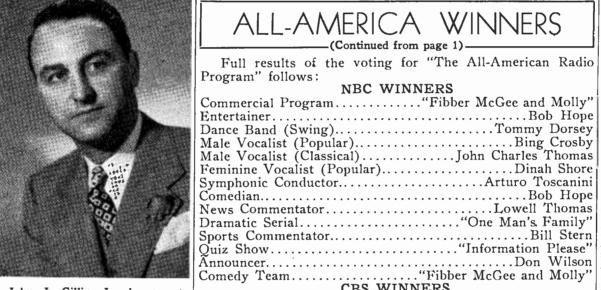
Gillin For 12th Year

John J. Gillin, Jr., President of Radio Station WOW, Inc., was unanimously re-elected a director of the National Association of Broadcasters for its 10th district (Nebraska, Iowa and Missouri) at the radio men's annual meeting in the radio men's annual meeting in Omaha (January 25 and 26). Mr. Gillin is now serving in his 12th year as an NAB director. The NAB directorship will con-

tle — about whether he's back or not. tinue Mr. Gillin as one of 25 men Jimmy Mc-Gaffin recently returned to the who guide the destinies of the trade association, which has more than 800 member stations. Mr. Gillin's re-election was his third significant recognition within a week

WOW news-room after more

third significant recognition within a week. The Greater Omaha Association selected him as a member, and it was announcer that he has been elected to the Board of the Hattie B. Munroe Home (for crippled chil-dren). The former group (which is being revived as a postwar project) being revived as a postwar project) will include 150 top business leaders pledged to work for the good of Omaha.



John J. Gillin, Jr., known to broadcasters throughout the nation as "Johnny," was on the receiving end of triple honors last week.

The Omaha NAB meeting was attended by 105 station executives, representing 44 of the 59 stations in the district.

The district. The broadcasters met for the first time with Justin Miller. NAB's new National President, who re-linquished a seat on the United States Court of Appeals to become head of the broadcasting industry.

story of his recent visit with James C. Petrillo, during which time he began negotiations designed to solve

Radio Men Elect FÁVORITE COMEDY TEAM

The one and only "Fibber McGee and Molly," known in private life as Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jordan, who were voted America's favorite comedy team in Motion Picture Daily's national poll.

all-America Winners

-(Continued from page 1)-Full results of the voting for "The All-American Radio Program" follows:

NBC WINNERS

ABC WINNERS Dance Band (Sweet)......Guy Lombardo Educational Program..."American Town Meeting of the Air" Daytime Variety Show.........."Breakfast Club" UNAFFILIATED

Feminine Vocalist (Classical).....Lily Pons





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Twenty-eight listeners in the WOW territory were winners in the Pepsodent Jeep Contest con-ducted recently via the Bob Hope show (Tuesdays, 9 p. m., WOW). One of the grand prize winners was Charles S. Moates, AS USNR, 1127 North Clark Street, Carroll, Iowa. He will receive either a post-war jeep or \$1,000 in cash. Three other WOW-Land listen-ers won \$50 in cash each. They were Mrs. Reuben Forsythe, 1805 R Street, Lincoln, Neb.; Miss La-Rene March, 1525 South, Route 3, Box 96, Springfield, Mo., and D. W. Walstrom, SK 2/C, 523 South Ash, McPherson, Kans. 24 Win \$10

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W. Walstrom, SK 2/C, 523 Sourn Ash, McPherson, Kans. 24 Win \$10 In addition there were 24 win-ners among the 450 who will be awarded \$10 in cash each. They were Carleton Anderson, Osceola, Neb.; Dale Anderson, 602 West Adams Street, Fairfield, Iowa; Les-lie L. Chisholm, 3002 South 26th Street, Lincoln, Neb.; M. R. Con-rad, 311 Fountain Street, Cherokee, Iowa; Howard Egger, 109 West Madison, Pittsburg, Kans.; Henry Horstman, Polk, Neb.; Ethel Rose Kirkwood, Sloan, Iowa; Miss Ethel C. Lane, Oskaloosa, Kans.; Mrs. Harold Lipstein, 1001 19th Street, Sioux City 19, Iowa; Jack Mc-Gregor, 710 W Walnut, Springfield, Mo.; Mrs. Ruth F. Minnich, 1010 West Fifth Street, Waterloo, Iowa; William George Neff, 425 35th Street, N. E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Carl A. Newgard, Enderlin, N. D.; Luna M. Peters (Mrs. O. L.), New Bloomfield, Mo.; Mrs. Freddie Francis Proctor, Route No. 2, Wil-ton Junction, Iowa; Rev. Clarence W. Rabe, 318 West Pleasant Drive, Pierre, S. D.; Lieut. Julian Rubin, O-2063480, 246th Base Unit, PAAF, Pratt, Kans.; Gerald Sawatzky, Box 567, Emporia, Kans.; Josephine C. Schoemann, 2101 Wirt Street, Omaha, Neb.; Miss B. L. Shanks, L. B. 143, Nora Springs, Iowa; Jess E. Strader, 418 Ninth Avenue, S. E., Aberdeen, S. D.; Mrs. John Wilcox, Route 2, Dodge City, Kans.; Mrs. Ruby Wiske, 502 Beach, Springfield, Mo., and Cor-poral Joseph Y. Yano, 39017374, Hq. & Hq. Det, P. W. Camp, Clarinda, Iowa. --WOW--

"Bashful Ben" is Ex-Radar Man

Ben Alexander, who was an NBC

is in Ninth Year

Kay Kyser's "College of Musical Knowledge" starts its ninth year on February 7. The program is currently sponsored by Colgateto the present lack of new electrical merchandise. Station WOW will work with the contractors in prortainment for the ente Palmolive-Peet Company (Wednes-days, 9 p. m., on WOW). sition. The Omaha Electric League, which represents all phases of the electrical industry, will cooperate in staging the exposition. -WOW-_wow_ John Patrick (Jack) Costello, well-known NBC announcer (Cath-"Info Please" is olic Hour) and special events re-porter, was appointed a Master Knight of the Sovereign Military Order of Malta, being accepted Set For 52 Weeks into the order at a recent dinner "Information Please," NBC quiz show featuring Clifton Fadiman as emcee; Franklin P. Adams and John Kieran as regular experts, plus two prominent guest experts meeting. ? Your Last Copy ? (Mondays, 8:30 p. m., WOW), has been renewed for 52 weeks, effec-tive February 11, under sponsorship of the Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. Compton Advertising, Inc., is the areney handling the account Yes, sir. Simply turn to page 8, where your name and address is stamped on the margin. The date Yes, sir; he "dood it." Raleigh's "Red" Skelton, back from the serv-ice only a few weeks, has become No. 3 in radio's "Top 15," according stamped on the margin. The date your News Tower subscription expires is printed here. "2/46" means February, 1946. If your subscription expires soon, RE-NEW now! Just send your name, address and 50 cents to WOW! agency handling the account. to most recent national ratings -wow-Skelton's sensational popularity goes down as one of the miracles Bob Anderson has taken over Ken Niles' duties as announcer on NBC's Abbott and Costello show.



of radio for the season.

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Singing Unit.....

The Nebraska and Iowa chapter of the National Electrical Contrac-tors Association has postponed its planned Omaha Electrical Exposi-tion until late next September, due to the present lack of new electrical

Miller Popular

Miller Popular Mr. Miller made a decided "hit" with the 10th district broadcasters. Although on the job for only four months, Miller showed amazing knowledge of radio. A highlight of his visit was his story of his recent wisit with Lance

radio's troublesome music problem. Miller said he found Petrillo "a rea-sonable gentleman."

Ask Time Law The 10th district broadcasters, by resolution, urged Congress to es-tablish "uniform time" throughout the United States as a means of eliminating confusion resulting from "daylight savings time" in many cities where network programs originate. C. E. Arney, National Secretary-Treasurer of NAB; Frank Pelle-grin, former Omahan and Chairman of NAB's Department of Broadcast Advertising, and Hugh Feltis, another former Omahan, now Chairman of NAB's Broadcast Measurement Bureau, also attended and spoke before the sessions.

Electrical Show is

New Accordionist

A new staffer is Lambert Bartek, top-notch accordionist, who joins the WOW orchestra.

One of the social highlights in Omaha news circles was a recent testimonial dinner for an Omaha reporter. The dinner was given (and all Chinese food, too) for re-tiring Reporter Florian Newbranch. Strangely enough (or so some of the World-Herald staff members said), a WOW newsman, a com-(Continued on page 4)

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Jack Benny, already the sweet-heart of Waukegan and St. Joe, has been named honorary mayor of three California towns immortal-ized on his NBC program — Ana-heim, Azusa and Cucamonga.

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WOW NEWS TOWER

February 1, 1946

DINAH WINS AP POPULARITY POL T. Dorsey Once STAFF STUFF EDITORS AGREE WITH GI's Showed Her (Continued from page 3) petitor, was one of the prime mov ers in the party. the Door The affair was sparkplugged by

Dinah Shore receives at least one request a day from aspiring young singers asking for advice on how to

"I try my best to think of some-thing helpful to tell them," Dinah says, "but I can't help thinking of the things that would definitely keep a newcomer out of radio. remember all these things, I guess, because I did every one of them myself

The NBC star, who has been tops with GI's all over the world for several years, now has been chosen "Tops" as ra-dio personality for 1945 by fea-ture writers on member papers of the Associated Press in a nation-wide poll.

Dinah knocks wood and crosses Dinah knocks wood and crosses her fingers every time she recalls her high school days. She was studying voice, and at the same time doing her best to ruin any chances she ever would have to be a singer, by leading the football cheering section. "However, I sup-pose it all worked out for the best," Dinah says, "for all that shouting changed me from a lyric soprano to a contralto." Another high spot in Dinah's list of doing things wrong while trying for a radio career was her first

for a radio career was her first appearance before a microphone in her home town, Nashville, Tenn., where she sang a duct with another ambitions rough simple for the same simple sinclust simple simple simple sinclust simple si ambitious young singer over Station WSM. Dinah sang so loudly that she was asked to stand four feet

she was asked to stand four feet behind her singing mate. "A short time after this first at-tempt to storm the citadel of ra-dio," Dinah recalls, "I auditioned for Tonimy Dorsey, who was look-ing for a singer for his band. I hadn't been out of Vanderbilt Uni-versity long and I was still, wearing socks, flat-heeled sports shoes and a loose sweater. I don't know what a loose sweater. I don't know what Tommy thought of my singing, but my costume definitely did not go over.

Food Wins "Another time I sang in a tryout for Benny Goodman," Dinah con-tinued. "Benny was busy with a glass of milk and a sandwich, and he didn't give me all his attention. I same give his attention. I same give his attention. from that experience was the lesson that a singer shouldn't compete with a harm on rye when a man is hungry." hungry.

However, even though Miss Shore doesn't feel qualified in many ways to advise her adoring fans, the hostess of "Dinah Shore's Open House" (NBC, Thursdays, 7:30 p. m., WOW) must have followed a lot of the rules properly for also lot of the rules properly, for she continues, year after year, to be voted the top female singer in radio. -wow_

Seven More NBC

Shows Renewed Seven leading NBC programs have been renewed recently. All are for 52 weeks and were effective



Dinah Shore, favorite of millions of American GI's, is also the favorite of the news feature editors on member papers of the Associated Press. Dinah was chosen as "Tops" in the radio classification for 1945 in the AP poll. "Dinah Shore's Open House" is on NBC each Thursday.

McGEES DISAGREE Eve Arden Lauded

Fibber McGee and Molly take For Fine Diction opposite sides in answering an in-Madame Bergljot A. Tillisch, for- teresting question propounded in the Madame Bergljot A. Tillisch, for-mer director of voice placement and diction at Des Moines University, paid a glowing tribute to Eve Ar-den, who appears with Jack Haley on NBC's "Village Store," when she wrote in a recent articles that "Miss Arden has the finest diction of any comedienne on the air" "Yes!"

Tom Ingoldsby of WOW and Lawrence Youngman and Bill Bil-lotte of the Herald. When it came to attendance, too, the WOW news staff turned out en masse and far outnumbered the Herald men in percentages—and nearly in numbers.

Ginger, Merrill?

But, to return to the staff and to take up the announcers who've been neglected so far. Merrill Work-hoven rates a couple of mentions. For one thing, we now call him Diet Smith after the man in Dick Tracy (that's in the funnies). Mer-rill, like Diet Smith, has lived for a long time on strained baby food because of illness.

But, when Merrill came to work one day not so long ago, the rest of the staff sniffed the air and didn't ask about baby food. Mer-rill smelled like an alcohol-less highball. There was no hot water at home that day, so Merrill heated some ginger ale and shaved with that.

It Never Ends

We can't let the column slip to We can't let the column slip to an end without a mention of our "mass" of fan mail. Your writer has been receiving fan mail—two of them. But, the really staunch read-ers of the column don't write. There are two staff members who do read the column every month. They are Jean Pray and Harold Storm. They're both in the promotion de-partment, and they say they do it as a duty. as a duty.

But, there's one staff member who proves he never reads it—just who proves he never reads it—just by his statements. He's Jim Rob-inson, who sees that the grass at the transmitter gets cut on time. Robbie swears we never use his name in the column, and it was in a month or so ago.

a month or so ago. Well, we could go on and on We could tell you about "Team-ster" Loretta Dundis (no, we'd better not). Or, we could tell you about Engineer Cy Hagrman firing a radio, which wouldn't work be-cause he walked away and left a pair of pliers in the innards — it shorted the whole thing. Or we could tell you about John

snorted the whole thing. Or, we could tell you about John Leslie's phony "Man on the Street" program at an OPA dinner, at which he pillored the poor volun-teers being honored for their con-tribution to the war effort

tribution to the war effort. Or, we could . . . No, we'd better stop now or there won't be room for the program listing on the back page.

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Chase

C-H-A-T-S With Your Own Aunt Sally of WOW KNOCK . . . KNOCK

MAY I COME IN?

Hi, neighbors! Its been a long, long time since we had a little chat, and I feel that I should give an

and I feel that accounting of the way I slipped out the door on November 23 and left the Christmas work but half com-pleted, like a sink full of dishes. dishes. With a feeling



Aunt Sally

vacation as long Aunt Sally as possible, hop-ing to get everything in order that I might have two weeks of com-plete mental as well as physical rest, but nature stepped in to assert herself, to disrupt my plans and demand that I heed her warnings

demand that I heed her warnings immediately. My lamp was certainly not trimmed and burning. I was not ready to be ill. I had no time for sickness. I couldn't possibly leave my work and all the Christmas activity at this stage. The mere thought of such a thing created panic in my heart. Well, neighbors, sometimes the Lord would have us step aside to rest a while, as in Mark, 6:31: "Come ye yourselves apart into a

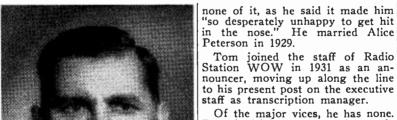
rest a while, as in Mark, 6:31: "Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place and rest a while." If we do not rest we may fall apart, for everyone is rushing around trying to crowd more hours in the day to be go-getters. In the end what do they get? More chairs and tables, fur coats and cars, but they also get the jitters. Their blood pressure goes up and their nerves break down. Nature de-mands rest, and about the only fel-low who can work all around the

mands rest, and about the only fel-low who can work all around the clock and never rest is the "divil himself." We'll skip over the intervening time since I ran out, for here I am feeling like a new-born babe in a pink cradle, ready to take a bit more of a hold on each day, and hoping soon to have things around the little brown desk humming faster than ever. faster than ever.

Offers Thanks

My heart is running over with appreciation for your many ges-tures of friendship and loyalty. You surely did stand by in a big way with your letters and cards and beautiful flowers, and all these lovely thoughts did make the time nase

lovely thoughts did make the time pass. I want to express my regret in not being able to see those who made personal calls to the hospital and to my home. It was impera-tive that I have plenty of rest, and after the operation as little con-versation as possible, so with the exception of some one good friend to take turns sitting by the bed, there could be no visitors. You may be sure this arrangement did not meet with my approval, for I wanted company.



There Ain't No Story About Tom "Barnum"

Tom Chase, whose real name is Thomas Barnum Chase, insists, to put it into his own vernacular: "I ain't got no degree; I ain't worked at a dozen radio stations, and I ain't got no story." This in itself establishes modesty as his greatest

tion to the 18 renewals reported a short time ago. They are: "Waltz Time" (Fridays, 8:30 p. m., WOW); "Manhattan Merry-Go-Round" (Sundays, 8 p. m., WOW), and "American Album of Familiar Music" (Sundays, 8:30 p. m., WOW). All are sponsored by Sterling Drug. Inc. rations provided by one of the somewhat unsuccessful farm ventures of his ex-prizefighter father and being but briefly exposed to 'book larnin'." The most vivid rec-ollection of his youth, according to Tom, is the fact that he was always

Sterling Drug, Inc., for Phillips Milk of Magnesia, Dr. Lyon's Tooth Power and Bayer Aspirin, respectively

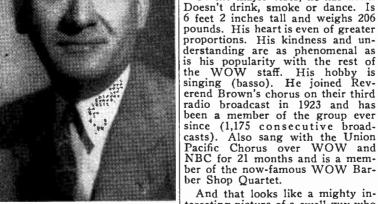
"Molle Mystery Theater" (Fri-days, 9 p. m., WOW), sponsored by the Centaur Company for Molle Shave Cream.

"Cities Service Highways in Mel-ody" (Fridays, 7 p. m., WOW), sponsored by Petroleum Advisers,

Sponsored by retroteum Activisets, Inc. "Philip Motris Follies of 1946" (Tuesdays, 7 p. m., WOW), spon-sored by Philip Morris and Co., Ltd., for Philip Morris cigarettes. "David Harum" (Mondays through Fridays, 10:45 a. m., WOW), sponsored by B. T. Bab-bitt. Inc., for Bab-O.

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hungry-a trait which still pursues him relentlessly. At the age of 11, Tom became involved with the serious and burdensome business of making his own way, and has since been so occupied. From 1912 until 1931 he was employed by three different meat packing firms, the Missouri fling in the squared circle, an art Pacific Railroad and the Railway picked up from his pop, who was a



TOM CHASE

pounds. His heart is even of greater proportions. His kindness and understanding are as phenomenal as is his popularity with the rest of the WOW staff. His hobby is singing (basso). He joined Rev-erend Brown's chorus on their third radio broadcast in 1923 and has been a member of the group ever since (1,175 consecutive broadcasts). Also sang with the Union Pacific Chorus over WOW and NBC for 21 months and is a member of the now-famous WOW Barber Shop Quartet.

And that looks like a mighty interesting picture of a swell guy who "didn't have no story."

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Mary Michael and John McQuade have been added to the cast of NBC's "Just Plain Bill" in the re-Express Agency. He played semi-pro baseball, and, in 1912, to pro-vide additional revenue to feed the ing a career, but Tom would have Stanley Walker. NBC's "Just Plain Bill" in the re-spective roles of Amy Roberts and card to all to show our gratitude, (Continued on page 5)

wanted company. Now to the many good neig in all parts of the United States who were instrumental in making Christmas such a happy time for our shut-ins, goes a hearty thank you. Your cooperation was deeply

appreciated. And to the many listeners who offered assistance and never did get offered assistance and never did get an opportunity to help, I want to say I am truly regretful. Some wanted names of shut-ins to re-member with a gift or surprise box, and although the girls at WOW wrote many letters, not all could

be taken care of. We appreciated the contributions and hope you were properly thanked, but there are still stacks of Christmas and cheer cards, many of them that contained a dollar, which received no acknowledgment, and hope we'll be able to send a

"SENATOR CLAGHORN" IS A YANKEE

THE SPORTS EYE

By TOM DAILEY WOW Sports Editor

Hello, Good Sports! Put on something loose, pull up a chair and let's have a bowl of sports salad. In it you will find-ICE "I'm a guy



Tom Dailey who saw the game. Well, if what he says is true, then how come after the game Reigle had a nose leaning 20 degrees to port-side, an abrasion on the right side of his check the size of a small filet mignon and a bruised line of knuckles? Also how come Waldriff had a couple of teeth flopping around in his mouth like Goering will look at the end of a rope? Anybody in the house wanna fight Reigle or Waldriff on ice skates? (Quiet in here, isn't it?)

LEATHER

The big man stood with his giant paw on my shoulder, then he dou-bled up the other one into the size bled up the other one into the size of an elephant foot, stuck it into my kisser and growled: "I'm 50 years old right now, but I'll take on Joe Louis, Billy Conn or any other one of those guys who thinks he's capable of handling me in the ring. See?" I saw. It was Jack Dempsey speaking into a WOW sports mike, in answer to my ques-tion as to whether or not he could tion as to whether or not he could have whipped Louis in his prime. And, somehow, Jack seems to re-tain that old spirit which made him the greatest champion of all time. (Oh, Grace! Take a note to Mike Jacobs. Quote: Let's have a threeround bout between Dempsey and Louis. Unquote.)

DIVOTS

Divors This is the greatest age in the history of the world. Atomic bombs, speed-of-light planes, radar, televi-sion, Bing Crosby, the Brooklyn Dodgers and Byron Nelson. Your great-grandchildren will gaze at you in starry-eyed wonder when you tell them you saw Byron Nelson play golf. You are living in the age when the greatest of them all is carving his name in the link an-nals of golf.

MOLESKINS

There's something about the makeup of Bernie Masterson which leads us to believe that he will en-gineer one of the greatest comebacks a football team ever made. He takes over with a new five-year contract at Nebraska University, and with him will go all the support of this great state. He has made such stars as Frankie Albert and Bob Waterfield, just to name samples. And it appears as though Nebraska U is coming back into

Philip Morris

Follies "The Philip Morris Follies of 1946," new glamor show which stars Johnny Desmond, singing fa-vorite of the overseas AAF, made its formal bow over the NBC net-work on Tuesday, January 22 (7 p. m., WOW), replacing the "Johnny Presents" program.

Presents" program. Featured with Desmond, who cur-rently is starred on NBC's "Teen-timer's Club," is Margaret Whiting, whose best-selling record of "It Might as Well Be Spring" skywhich has seen a thousand fights in my life, and ain't nobody can tell me them Might as Well Be Spring" sky-rocketed her to popularity, and Herb Shriner, the "Wabashful Humorist." The 30-piece orchestra is con-ducted by Jerry Gray, who was arranger for the late Major Glen Miller and then manager of the Miller AAF Band after the major's disappearance at sea. "The Fol-lies" also presents a female chorus of 16, selected on the same basis as the chorus of a Broadway musi-cal—for beauty of voice, face and guys wuz fightin' when Omaha played Minneapolis and Rei-gle and Waldriff put on that silly exhibition." That from a fellow cal-for beauty of voice, face and figure. Desmond, Shriner and Gray all

were recently discharged from the Army with sergeant's ratings. Ward Byron produces the "Follies of '46."

Ken Roberts is the announcer. --WOW--AUNT SALLY (Continued from page 4)

but there are a lot of dishes in the sink and it will take time to clear them away.

Thanks to our local "Ship of Joy" group. The able Captain Ohlin and her untiring workers were responsible for many gifts sent to our shut-ins, who would otherwise have been left out because of my illness. So far I have heard of but three shut-ins who did not have one of their three Christmas wishes granted. These members will be taken care of as soon as I am equal to shopping, and if there are any others who did not get a package from the Sunshine Service, just let us know and a gift will come your

way. The new plan of transcriptions will give me plenty of rest and sleep, with hours from 9 to 2 at the studio and the afternoon for hospital calls and shopping.

hospital calls and shopping. Say, neighbors, with the return of my health and strength, you folks will have to run to catch up with me, and, of course, I'll need you along to help send out the biggest cargo of Sunshine we've ever shipped. This is going to be a big year for the shut-ins. Are you with me? Well. 'bye for now!

"Poor Miriam"

'Chiquita

AAF Star Heads Fred Allen's "Senator Claghorn



Ken Delmar, announcer on "The Fred Allen Show," really astounds The Great Allen, or seems to, as he plays one of his many roles on the broadcasts, that of the ardent, emphatic Southerner, "Senator Claghorn." Allen encounters Delmar and the other Mighty Allen Art Players on his Sunday trips down Allen's Alley on NBC.

NEW AT KODY

Dave Chase of Sharpsburg, Iowa Dave Chase of Sharpsburg, Iowa, son of a Presbyterian minister and graduate of Parsons College at Fairfield, has joined the announcing staff of Station KODY, 'WOW's Little Brother," at North Platte, Neb. Dave has just returned from army duty, during which he served 28 months in India.

-wow---ALL LIT-UP

Bud Abbott, co-star of NBC's Abbott and Costello show, should be "well-lit" all during the new year. Abbott received 23 cigarette lighters for Christmas.

Are Real People

New Comic Hits Popularity Jackpot Broadcasting's most miraculous suc-

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cess story in recent years has been the rise of Ken Delmar from announcer to stardom as a comedian. A freelancer, he is now working on several shows on different networks.—Editor.

Our loudest, most articulate leg-islator, "Senator Claghorn," is other-wise known as Ken Delmar, an-nouncer on "The Fred Allen show" (NBC, Sundays, 7:30 p. m., WOW) and, although he sounds mighty Southern, he was born in the land of the bean and the cod. "That's of the bean and the cod. "That's Massachusetts, son; that's Massachusetts."

chusetts." The "Senator," called by admir-ing columnists "that pro-confeder-ate windbag," is fast becoming a national figure. His manner of in-terrupting himself constantly to ejaculate, "I say," and then repeat-ing what he said before to drive home is grave is being conjed the home his gags, is being copied the country over. It was Fred Allen who named him "Senator Clag-horn" after he heard him talk like

Quit Vaudeville

Born in Boston, Kenneth Delmar was brought to New York City with his family as an infant. He toured the country as a child-prod-igy-vaudeville-performer, and did blackfore drame comedy anything ngy-vaudeville-performer, and did blackface, drama, comedy, anything. During the depression he aban-doned the stage and went into the importing business—mostly olives and other foodstuffs—with his stepfather for a number of years.

But Ken was always the "life of the party" and liked to make people laugh. He broke away from the olive business by opening a dancing school, where he met his wife, who was the ballet teacher.

Finally a radio audition at a local New York station netted him a \$20-a-week job. Soon after that he was asked to make a network audition for a com-mercial show and was so nervous that he couldn't read the script. So Ken told jokes in script. So Ken told jokes in dialect. He even imitated W. C. Fields, who he'd seen in a movie the night before — and that was exactly what the di-rector wanted. Ken got the job and held is for a new parts and held it for seven years.

Curly-haired, spectacled, 33-year-old Ken was first called to Fred Allen's attention by Minerva Pious Allen's attention by Minerva Pious (Mrs. Nussbaum), who thought he was so clever that Allen ought to know him. Allen, who knows a good thing when he hears it, caught right on. He doesn't even care when "Senator Claghorn" yells at him, "That was a joke, son; that was a joke. Don't let them get by you, son."



Wonderful Smith, who is heard on NBC's Red Skelton program, was named by his grandmother. She took the name from the Bible, Isaiah, 9:6: "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his choulder; and his name shall be shoulder; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."



and

people.

its rightful position as an All-American factory.

HORSEHIDE

DiMaggio, Williams, Feller. Civilians again. And there, in part, you have the story of 1946 major league baseball, and, indeed, minor league baseball. During the war years, baseball stumbled along like a cow on crutches. It didn't have the color, the muscles, the savvy nor the belly-yells to keep going much longer. But now we'll find Feller facing DiMaggio and a dozen other such combinations as our national pastime walks out of the bleakness-into the light-as thousands cheer.

A fellow said to me the other day: 'Dailey, you got it all wrong. It should be: 'It isn't that you won or lost, but what you tell your wife.'

quita," although photographed, has not been identified by name. Perhaps her surname is Bananas.

Whether folks think Pepsodent's Poor Miriam" and United Fruit's "Chiquita" are easy to listen too, may be debatable, but none will deny that both are easy to look at.

"Chiquita

Millions of lovers of fine music will be delighted to learn that "Poor Miriam" and "Chiquita" are real

"Poor Miriam" is the well-known

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Both these nice ladies are known throughout the world — wherever folks listen to radio, eat bananas or use Pepsodent.

The little musical jingles in which they star have made advertising history.

Volumes on the success of the technique in which they excel have been written.

Those same listeners which 'gripe" about them can be seen "gripe" about them can be seen and heard walking down the street whistling their catchy tunes.



-wow-SCHEFF BACK

Walter Scheff, featured baritone with Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians, has returned to NBC's Fred Waring Show, after serving for three years in the Navy. Scheff was with the Waring organization for six years before entering the service.

? Your Last Copy ?

Yes, sir. Simply turn to page 8, where your name and address is stamped on the margin. The date your News Tower subscription expires is printed here. "2/46" means February, 1946. If your subscription expires soon, RE-NEW now! Just send your name, address and 50 cents to WOW!

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February 1, 1946

"MASQUERADE" IS NEW G. M. SERIAL

Starlets "DISCOVER" Skippy Peanut Butter

B. Crocker Film Showing in

Omaha "Masquerade," a new Irna Phil-lips daytime serial about people who mask their lives in a pretense of being someone they aren't is a of being someone they aren't, is a headline feature in a new alignment of the Monday-through-Friday Gen-eral Mills Hour.

The serial marks a spectacular radio achievement for Author Irna radio achievement for Author Irna Phillips, who is now presenting four daytime strips. It replaces "Hymns of All Churches." The three other Irna Phillips dramas are "The Guiding Light" (1 to 1:15), "Today's Children (1:15 to 1:27) and "Woman in White" (1:32 to 1:45) to 1:45).

"Masquerade" is heard on WOW at 11 a. m., Tuesdays through Saturdays.

The five-minute segment (1:27 to 1:32 p. m.), between "Today's Chil-dren" and "Woman in White," is now filed by Betty Crocker with her hints on homemaking, Mondays through Fridays

her hints on homemaking, Monday through Fridays. The Betty Crocker segment has a special interest in Omaha because her new technicolor film, "400 Years in Four Min-utes," is now being shown to women's groups in Omaha.

Under the supervision of Mrs. Elizabeth Riner, head of the public schools homemaking de-partment, the film is being made available to adult education groups, P-T-A's and high school home economics classes.

The film demonstrates the new Betty Crocker method of baking cakes in the modern manner. After witnessing it, a child or adult can whip up a superior cake in just four mintes

Women's organizations who would like to see "400 Years in Four Minutes" may contact Mrs. Riner (AT 3140) or write to WOW.

The entire hour is sponsored by General Mills, Inc., on behalf of Wheaties, Bisquick, Gold Medal Kitchen Tested Flour, Softasilk Cake Flour and Betty Crocker Soups.

The locale of "Masquerade" will be Fairview, Iowa, home town of Eileen Holmes, heroine of "Woman in White," with action centering around Fairview High School. Leading NBC dramatic stars will be heard in the principal roles, in-cluding Art Seltzer as Bill Sum-mers, editor of the "Fairview Clar-ion"; Beryl Vaughan as Alice, his wife; Jack Petruzzi as Dick Bailey, his cynical associate editor; Jack Swineford as Tom Field, principal of Fairview High; Mary Marren Rees as Marian, his wife, and Ger-aldine Kay as Barbara Palmer, a school teacher new to the com-munity. "GUIDING LIGHT" The locale of "Masquerade" will

"GUIDING LIGHT" HAS BIRTHDAY

The leadoff daytime serial of the General Mills hour, the "Guiding Light" (NBC, five-a-week, 1 p. m., WOW), celebrated its ninth anniversary on the air, Friday, January 25. The program was inaugurated on the NBC networks January 25, 1937.

The serial is written under the



Mebbe this should be captioned "Beauty and the Feast." It represents a new "craze" in Hollywood. The film folk are adopting peanut butter as a sort of an ultra-modern new food fad and they're using it dozens of ways. Mostly responsible is the fact that many screen stars have appeared on Skippy Peanut

Butter's "Hollywood Radio Theater," on WOW, Tuesdays, at 6:30 p. m. Photo shows the program's producer, C. P. McGregor, and emcee, with a quartet of Hollywood lovelies from among the Goldwyn Girls-Kismy Stephen, Virginia Thorpe, Karen Gaylord and Betty Alexander.



Now it's "Mr. Hush"-not "The Manasa Mauler"-since Jack Demp-sey's voice was identified by that Arkansas sailor on "Truth or Conse-quences." Sailor Bartholomew won a flock of prizes includion quences." Sailor Bartholomew won a flock of prizes, including an auto, a couple of trips and a score of other items. Photo shows "Mr. Hush" when he was a recent visitor to Omaha for Tom Dailey's "All-American Sports Parade" (10:15 p. m., on WOW).

Cast Changes

Wiseman Advisor on Radio Confab

Helen Flint is the latest addition to the cast of NBC's "Backstage Wife." She plays the role of Mrs. Garth. --WOW--New to the cast of NBC's "The Guiding Light" are Alma Platts as Mrs. Brown and Dorothy Richards as Jane Baxter.

Pellegrin to Talk at Omaha Ad Club

Omahans interested in retail ra-Omahans interested in retail ra-dio advertising will have an oppor-tunity to hear a full report of the Joske Experiment on "WOW Night" at the Omaha Advertising Club of May 14. The speaker will be Frank Pellegrin, former Oma-han, now Chairman of the Depart-ment of Broadcast Advertising, National Association of Broad-casting. casting.

The Joske Experiment is broad-casting's most convincing proof that radio advertising may be used ad-vantageously by retailers. It was conducted for the full year of 1945 at the Joske Department store in San Antonio, Tex., under auspices of NAB, and others.

During 1945 Joske's spent \$65,000 HEROLD ATTENDS or retail advertising on five dif- IRE SESSIONS for retail advertising on five dif-ferent radio stations, ranging from 50,000-watters to small local stations. Every item in the year-long campaign was carefully checked by experts.

Pellegrin reported that due to the success of the experiment, Jos-ke's increased its 1946 retail advertising budget.

Some preliminary details of the experiment were related by Pelle-grin when he was in Omaha for the 10th district NAB sessions recently. Broadcasters from Iowa, Missouri Broadcasters from Iowa, Missouri and Nebraska were so much im-pressed that many of them expect to return to Omaha in May to hear the complete report. This is the device that is used to actually turn light or pictures into (Continued on page 7)

TECHNICAL STUFF

By GLENN FLYNN WOW's Chief Control Operator NEW CONTROL

ROOM FACILITIES

WOW studio engineers, under the direction of Joseph Herold, technical supervisor, have recently completed in-

stallation of new equipment in the WOW control room. Three complete chan-nels are now in service. Any one of these chan-nels can be used to feed the WOW trans-mitter, the re-cording room or any number of audition speak-



G. Flynn

crs. The new equipment will permit smoother control room operation and will take care of the greater volume of programs, auditions and recordings now being handled.

---WOW---COLOR VIDEO AGAIN DELAYED

The first public demonstration of the often-talked of, but seldom seen, CBS color television has again suffered a setback. Due to the illness of several members of their engi-neering staff, the demonstration set for January 7 was put off until a later date.

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"CHRISTMAS" RADIOS ARRIVE IN OMAHA

New postwar receivers promised New postwar receivers promised for Christmas by the receiver man-ufacturers are just now starting to come on the market in small num-bers. Many difficulties held up the production of receivers, including lack of raw materials, OPA trou-bles and labor unrest. However, by summer of this year you should be able to buy any of the smaller models without much trouble.

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Joseph L. Herold, Technical Su-pervisor of WOW, has just re-turned from New York City, where turned from New York City, where he attended the annual winter tech-nical meeting of the Institute of Radio Engineers. He also spent some time in Camden and Princton, N. J., discussing WOW's television plans with RCA officials.

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WOW TO USE "ORTHICON" TUBE

HANDY NEWS TOWER ORDER BLANK Why not order the WOW NEWS TOWER MAGAZINE for sev-

eral of your friends? The cost is only 50 cents a year (for 12 issues). For your convenience, just fill in the coupon below, enclose the cash to cover the cost and mail it today.

NBC television is now using the new super-sensitive camera pickup tube, known as the Image Orthicon.

The serial is written under the	Mrs. Brown and Dorothy Richards	out the nation are members of the	CLIP HERE
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sponsored by General Mills, Inc.	All a set of NDC's "Deserve Come	ice, wiseman win lead a round-	Radio Station WOW,
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made his initial appearance on the	Stephen Browning.	ford Hotel in Philadelphia, Thurs-	
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Company for Bayer Aspirin, Dr.	He plays the role of Mr. Barkley.	Jean Paul King, who does the	· ·
Lyons Toothpowder and Milk of	WOW	commercial announcements on	NOTE The subscription price of the WOW News Tower is
Magnesia Toothpaste. Dancer-Fitz-	Elaine Kent has been added to	NBC's Red Skelton Show, was	50 cents a year. Be sure to enclose the exact amount to cover each
gerald and Sample. Inc. is the	the cast of NBC's "Just Plain Bill"	married to Mrs. Gretchen Robinson	subscription you send in.
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we cure y .	in the role of Winifred Ward.	in Las Vegas, Nev., on January 16.	

"NUTS TO YOU" SAYS RAY CLARK

Rickenbacker Star of New Air Show

Dramatizations of the "great moments" in American aviation, with Eddie Rickenbacker as the star, will be heard on WOW when Longines presents "The World's Most Honored Flights" starting Economy 2 February 2.

The program will be heard at 10:30 p. m., Mondays, in place of the current Longines "World's Most Honored Music" scries, which will continue to be heard on Wednesdays and Fridays, same time.

Built mainly around Captain Rickenbacker's own colorful contacts with air pioneers, and dramatizing the vivid human pattern of American air progress from Wrights to rockets, the half hour radio plays are written and produced by Colonel Christian Adamson.

Captain Rickenbacker accepted the assignment "because the series serves a permanent historical pur-pose." His talent fees will be turned over to help needy AAF widows and orphans, he said, "be-cause I am not in commercial radio."

The new Longines series is di-rected by Lester Vail and announced by Ray Morgan. In the dramatiza-tions, Gary Merrill, ex-staff ser-geant, AAF, portrays "Young" Rickenbacker Rickenbacker.

The highlights of the series (starting February 4) are as follows:

- "Down to the Sea in Rafts" Part One). Captain Ricken-backer's 1942 mid-Pacific crash 1. portrays how airmen react when they "fly off the map."
- 2. "Down to the Sea in Rafts' (Part Two). Faith brings strength to Captain Eddie and his companions while adrift for 24 days.
- "Milestones in the Sky." Cra-dle days of flight when the Wright Brothers tried to con-3. vince a doubting world that man can fly.
- "Wings for the Navy." Idea leading to birth of aircraft car-rier comes to Glen Curtiss through forced landing on 1910 4. Albany-New York flight.
- "Klondike in the Clouds." Life 5. and death of Lincoln Beachey, leader of the daredevil pilots who flew to thrill the crowds.
- "He Saw Eagles in the Sky." General Billy Mitchell, air 6. prophet, who spoke too soon and died before his air-power visions were realized.
- "Planes Across the Sea." Navy's 1919 Atlantic flight, urged by Curtiss and spon-sored by F.D.R., succeeds against heavy odds. 7.
- "Wings Around the World." Trail-blazing global flight in 1924 when Army pilots spun the first slim strands of 'round-8 the-world airways network.
- 9 "Over the Roof of the Globe." Amundsen and Ellsworth escape from grip of polar icc after crash on 1925 Arctic

CLARK'S PLAN GARDEN WITH FREE SEEDS



"O wind! If winter comes, can spring be far behind?" quoted Noonday Forum-ist Ray Clark as he and his two youngsters—Jimmie, 4, and Bobbie, al-most 3—planned their spring flower garden. The

activity got under way when Ray's new sponsor, Planters' Peanuts, sent him a sample pack of the first seed offer of the season on WOW. (See next column for details.)

Helen Van Tutle has joined the **TECHNICAL STUFF** (Continued from page 6) cast of NBC's "Ma Perkins" in the Captain Eddie role of Mrs. Mattie Henderson, electrical impulse and is a develop-ment of the Radio Corporation of America. This new "electronic eye" Paulete's great-aunt, who has just arrived in Rushville Center. solves many of the major problems of illumination in television and per-mits pickup of outdoor events where visibility is poor. The sensitivity of the tube is almost equal to that of the human eye. WOW expects to be one of the first television stations in the mid-west to employ this new type of tube. -wow-

But Ray Means PLANTERS: of Course

Spring's just around the corner and Ray Clark has annexed a new nickname.

Around the studios Ray is now known as the "peanut vendor." Ray acquired his new title when his new co-sponsor became the Planters Nut and Chocolate Company, best known for its product, Planters' Peanuts.

The new sponsorship brought with it a sure sign of spring — the first seed offer of the season. The program is offering six packets of florists' seeds, valued at \$1 retail, for 25 cents and the label from a can of mixed nuts.

A sample of the seeds was sent to Ray and he immediately began planning his own flower garden.

The Planters Peanuts sponsor-ship applies on Mondays, Wednes-days and Fridays at the usual time, 12:45 p. m. The program will con-tinue to be heard on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Some of the "Noonday Forum" programs are being conducted un-der the "Man on the Street" format from the corner of 16th and Far-nam Streets in downtown Omaha. -wow-

Here's a Wedding

Papas Approve Strains of "Lohengrin" and Men-delssohn are floating through the NBC Chicago musicians' room these days, where a 20-year friend-ship between John Wolf, trumpeter, and Bernard (Whitey) Berquist, pianist-conductor, has culminated in a romance between their chil-dren. dren.

Berquist and Wolf became fast friends nearly two decades ago, when they both became NBC staff musicians and were signed to the old "National Farm and Home Hour." Since then they have appeared regularly in network orches-tras, both have served for 14 years on the NBC "Carnation Contented Hour," and Johnny is trumpeter in the current "National Farm and Home Hour" orchestra which Ber-quist directs (NBC, Saturdays, 1 p. m., WOW). peared regularly in network orches-

Their families, during the years, have visited back and forth, and when Whitey's son, Bruce, age 20, went overseas with the air corps, Joan Wolf, age 19, corresponded with him faithfully. Recently the surprised families saw Bruce pre-cent Loap with a diamond ring and sent Joan with a diamond ring and heard their beaming youngsters announce their engagement.

The proud fathers gave their blessing.

WOW NEWS SCHEDULE

(NOTE. - WOW will instantly interrupt any program at

any time for important news flashes or bulletins.)	
6:00 A. M.—News Tower	
7:00 A. M.—Alex DreierDaily except Sun.	
7:30 A. M.—News TowerDaily except Sun.	
8:00 A. MWorld News Review	
8:15 A. MWOW News Tower	

10.	"What Goes on Below." Ant- arctica yields many geographi- cal secrets when Byrd maps new areas on 1929 South polar flight.			9:00 A. M.—Robert St. John—News
11.	"They Fly Through the Air." Career of Multi-Million Miler Merrill, ace transport pilot, dramatized as inspiration to air-minded youth.		commendation — for her work in USO camp shows and appearances at military hospitals.	12:00 Noon-Four-Den News Roundup. Dany except Sun. News Tower. Sun. 2:00 P. M.—Sheaffer World Parade. Sun. 4:30 P. M.—John W. Vandercook. Sat.
12.	dies of the Air.	Captain Eddie Rickenbacker,	? Your Last Copy ? Yes, sir. Simply turn to page 8, where your name and address is stamped on the margin. The date your News Tower subscription	5:30 P. M.—Four-Bell News and Sports Daily except Sun. 6:15 P. M.—News of the World, NBC Mon. Thru Fri. 6:45 P. M.—Highlights of News Mon., Wed., Fri., Sat. 10:00 P. M.—News Tower
13.	"Flight Into Tomorrow." A pre-blueprint glimpse into the Split-Second Era when man	Honored Flights," a dramatized hu- man interest history of American flights and fliers from Wrights to rockets. Program is heard Mon-	means February, 1946. If your subscription expires soon, RE- NEW now! Just send your name.	11:00 P. M.—News Sun. 11:30 P. M.—News Daily except Sun. 11:55 P. M.—News Daily 12:55 A. M.—News Daily

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WOW'S FEBRUARY NIGHT SCHEDULE

Your News Tower Subscription ENDS on Date Near Your Name ABOVE. "2/46" Means This Is Your Last Issue!

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY			[
5:30			WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	4-Bell News-Sports Phillips "66" Smith Bros. Studebaker Falstaff Overland Greyhound American Home Prod.	4-Bell News—Sports Phillips "66" Studebaker American Home Prod. Fairmont Falstaff Overland Greyhound	4-Bell News-Sports Phillips "66" Smith Bros. Studebaker Falstaff Overland Greyhound American Home Prod.	4-Bell News—Sports Phillips "66" Studebaker American Home Prod. Fairmont Falstaff Overland Greyhound	4-Bell News-Sports Phillips "66" Smith Bros. Studebaker Falstaff Overland Greyhound American Home Prod.	4-Bell News-Sports Phillips "66" Studebaker American Home Prod. Fairmont Falstaff Overland Greyhound	Great Gildersleeve Kraft
6:00	Chesterfield Supper Club	Chesterfield Supper Club	Chesterfield Supper Club	Chesterfield Supper Club	Chesterfield Supper Club	Seven Up Club of the Air	Jack Benny
6:15	News of the World Alka-Seltzer	News of the World Alka-Seltzer	News of the World Alka-Seltzer	News of the World Alka-Seltzer	News of the World Alka-Seltzer	Dinner Music Nebraska Power	Lucky Strike
6:30	Singin' Sam—Hamms	Skippy Hollywood Theater—Skippy	Singin' Sam—Hamms	Bob Burns	Singin' Sam—Hamms	Music, Allgaier	Fitch Bandwagor
6:45	News	Peanut Butter	News	Lifebuoy	News	News, Allgaier	Cass Dailey
7:00	Cavalcade of America Dupont	Philip Morris Follies of 1946	Mr. and Mrs. North Woodbury Products	Burns and Allen Maxwell House	Cities Service Highway in Melody	Life of Riley Teel	Charlie McCarthy Show Chase & Sanborn
7:30	Voice of Firestone Concert	A Date With Judy Tums	Hildegarde Raleighs	Dinah Shore's Open House Birdseye	Duffy's Tavern Vitalis Minit Rub	Truth or Consequences Duz	Fred Allen Show Tenderleaf Tea
8:00	Telephone Hour Bell Telephone	Amos 'n' Andy Lever Rinso	Eddie Cantor Show Sal Hepatica	Bing Crosby Kraft Music Hall	People Are Funny Raleighs	National Barn Dance Alka-Seltzer	Manhattan Merry-Go-Round Dr. Lyons
8:30	Information Please Socony-Vacuum	Fibber McGee and Molly Johnson Wax	Mr. District Attorney Ipana—Vitalis	Sealtest Village Store	Waltz Time Phillips Milk of Magnesia	Can You Top This? Palmolive	American Album o Familiar Music Bayer Aspirin
9:00	Contented Hour Carnation Milk	Bob Hope Pepsodent	College of Musical Knowledge	Abbott and Costello Camels	Mystery Theater Molle	Judy Canova Show Palmolive	Hour of Charm General Electric
9:30 9:45	Dr. I. Q. Mars, Inc.	Red Skelton Raleighs	Colgate-Palmolive- Peet Co.	Drene Show Rudy Vallee	Bill Stern—Colgate	Grand Ole Opry . Prince Albert	Meet Me at Parky Old Gold
10:00	C., B. & Q. WOW News Tower Paxton & Gallagher Lever Bros.	C., B. & Q. WOW News Tower Paxton & Gallagher Nebraska Power	C., B. & Q. WOW News Tower Paxton & Gallagher Lever Bros.	C., B. & Q. WOW News Tower Paxton & Gallagher Nebraska Power	Talks C. B. & O. WOW News Tower Paxton & Gallagher Lever Bros.	C., B. & Q. WOW News Tower Paxton & Gallagher Nebraska Power	WOW News Tow Kilpatrick's Perfex
10:15	Sports Nebraska Clothing	Sports Nebraska Clothing	Sports Nebraska Clothing	Sports Nebraska Clothing	Sports Nebraska Clothing	Sportstime	Show Time Murnan
10:30	Honored Flights Longines	His Honor the Barber Ballantine	Symphonette Longines	RCA Victor Show	Symphonette Longines	Orchestra	Pacific Story
11:00	Midnight Revue Falstaff Beer	Midnight Revue Falstaff Beer	Midnight Revue Falstaff Beer	Midnight Revue Falstaff Beer	Midnight Revue Falstaff Beer	Midnight Revue Falstaff Beer	Wildroot News

YOU'LL ENJOY WOW'S MUSICAL AND COMEDY PROGRAMS—MIDNIGHT to 1:00 A. M.

MORNING AND AFTERNOON SCHEDULE

5:30 A. M.—Five-thirty Call	
6:00 A. MWOW News Tower-Staley Milling	
6:15 A. M.—Aunt Sally	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
Lee Farm Hour—Poultry Remedy	Sat.
6:30 A. M.—Markets (Remote)	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
Sunrise Serenade	
6:35 A. MSmilin' Ed McConnell-American Poultry Jo	urnal
Markets	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Sat
6:55 A. MReveille-Fair Store	
7:00 A. M.—Alex Dreier—Skelly News	
Revival Hour, Gospel Broadcasting Associatio	onSun.
7:15 A. M.—Lyle, Stan and Company—Nutrena	
Little Song Shop-Swanson's "Ever-Fresh" H	oods
7:30 A. M.—WOW News Tower—Roberts, Byron Reed, M	
7:45 A. M.—Reveille Roundup—Groves Cold Tablets	Mon. Wed. Fri
Happy Hank—Little Crow Milling	
8:00 A. M.—World News Review—National Biscuit	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
What's What Today?—Metropolitan Utilities.	Sat.
Al Williams Health System	
8:05 A. M.—Musical Grab Bag 8:15 A. M.—Little Doghouse	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
News Highlights and Sidelights—Tek-Seed H	lybrids Sun
8:30 A. M.—Special Delivery—Aquila	
Daytime Classics	
Chapel Service, Rev. R. R. Brown	Sun.
8:45 A. M.—Songs of Praise—Malt-O-Meal Pleasure Parade—Beaumont 4-Way	Mon., Wed., Fri. Tue Thu Sat
9:00 A. M.—Robert St. John, News	Mon Tue Wed Thu E-

11:30 A. M.—Art Van Damme QuartetMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Atlantic SpotlightSat. House of Beauty—LorenzoSun.
11:45 A. M.—Life Can Be Beautiful—P. & G. OxydolMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Canary Pet Shop—Hartz Mountain ProductsSun.
12:00 Noon—Four-Bell News, MarketsDaily except Sun. WOW News Tower—Kilpatrick's, PerfexSun.
12:15 P. M.—Farm Magazine of the Air—Yager Seed CompanySun.
12:30 P. M.—Supreme Serenade—Merchants Biscuit Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Ben Adams Family—Robinson SeedSat. University of NebraskaSun.
12:45 P. M.—Noonday Forum—Planters PeanutsDaily except Sun. Mitchell and Utley—American Dairy AssociationSun.
1:00 P. M.—Guiding Light—General MillsMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Farm and Home Hour—Allis ChalmersSat. Harvest of Stars—International HarvesterSun.
1:15 P. M.—Today's Children—General MillsMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. 1:26 P. M.—Betty Crocker—General MillsMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
1:30 P. M.—The BaxtersSat. Westinghouse ConcertSun.
1:32 P. M.—Woman in White—General MillsMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
1:45 P. M.—Judy and Jane—Folger CoffeeMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Veterans' Advisor Commander Ty KrumSat.
2:00 P. M.—Woman of America—P. & G. SoapMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Orchestras of the NationSat. Sheaffer World ParadeSun.
2:15 P. M.—Ma Perkins—P. & G. OxydolMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
2:30 P. MPepper Young-P. & G. Camay
Orchestras of the NationSat.

9:00 A. M.—Robert St. John, News	. Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri
Homemakers Club-Nebraska Power	Sat
9:15 A. MLora Lawton-Babo	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri
9:30 A. M.—Road of Life—P. & G. Duz	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri
Adventures of Archie Andrews	Sat
Midwest Report	
9:45 A. M.—Joyce Jordon—P. & G	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri
Cheer Up Time—Iowa Master Breeders	
10:00 A. M.—Fred Waring	Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri
WOW Jamboree	Sat
WOW News Tower—Kilpatricks, Perfex	Sun
10:15 A. M.—Gems and lottings—Zales lewelry	Sun
10:30 A. M.—Barry Cameron—Manhattan Soap	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri
Smilin' Ed McConnell—Buster Brown	Sat
Furs on Parade—Herzberg	
10:45 A. M.—David Harum—Babo	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri
Solitaire Time—Campana	Sun.
11:00 A. M.—Strictly Instrumental	······································
Masquerade—Gen. Mills, Softasilk	Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri., Sat.
Betty Crocker-Gen. Mills, Softasilk	
World Front-Bunte Bros., Candy	Sun.
11:15 A. M.—Melodic Moods	. Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
Music in Three-Fourth Time	Sat.

Orchestras of the NationSat.
One Man's Family—Standard BrandsSun.
2:45 P. MRight to Happiness-P. & G. Ivory BarMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
3:00 P. MBackstage Wife-Sterling Products
Doctors at HomeSat.
The National HourSun.
3:15 P. MStella Dallas-Phillips ChemicalMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
3:30 P. M Lorenzo Jones-Sterling Products
World of MelodySat.
Nebraska-Iowa Ouiz-Listerine Tooth PasteSun.
3:45 P. MYoung Widder Brown-Phillips ChemicalMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
4:00 P. MWhen a Girl Marries-General FoodsMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
Music of the Moment
General Motors Symphony of the AirSun.
4:15 P. M.—Portia Faces Life—General Foods
4:30 P. MJust Plain Bill-Anacin
John W. VandercookSat.
4:45 P. M.—Front Page Farrell—Kolynos and BisodolMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
Tin Pan Alley—Leaf GumSat.
5:00 P. MYoung Dr. Malone-P. & G. Duz
Columbia RecordingsSat.
Catholic Hour, NBCSun.
5:15 P. MMusic RoomDaily except Sun.
5:25 P. MMemory Album-Vicks

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