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MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

Des Moines' Newest Station Goes on the Air

AMAZING STORY LOUIE WEERTZ, PIANIST, ON KCBC OF M. J. B. OF **RADIO FAME**

This is the story of a man with a story. M. J. B. (Myron J. Bennett) probably has more friends and speaking acquaintances than any other radic personality in the midwest. A broad statement indeed, but proven beyond doubt in his phenominal success.

Fresh from the University of Wisconsin, Bennett began his radio career in 1927. Since ther he has served as an announcer production manager, newspape columnist and a captain in the U. S. A. A. F

During the years he has been associated with WXYZ, Detroit; WTMJ, Milwaukee; KDAL, Duluth; KWK, St. Louis; and KRNT, Des Moines.

In 1934, M. J. B. handled the internationally famed stratosphere ascensions at Rapids City, South Dakota for the National Broadcasting Company.

nated the immensely popular gan writing his own compos-MJB shows which made radio tions at 4 . . . who was pro- ing with his own orchestra history in the Missouri city, and ficient on 13 instruments when around Hollywood night spots shattered all records there in he was 8. That was the early positive listener response. With beginning of Des Moines' 22these lively presentations con- year old master of the ivories. ceived, produced and conducted Louie Weertz. Born in Omaha. soley by himself - MJB has he came to the capital city with demonstrated his ability to his parents when he was 1. please the public. Informal and Louie's father, the Rev. F. J. friendly, the shows feature hu- Weertz, had just taken over the



A piaro prodigy whose cal to Los Angeles It was in 1940 that he origi- eeer began at 3 . . . who be- work with Phillip

for advance Tronitz. There followed a season of play-

Weertz's apparent ease with beth-boogie and the classic . . plus a delightful orms . personality . . have won hin encless praise and admiration from public and critics alike. He has just finished a year's contract with another

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MUTUAL OUTLET COMPLETES FULL NATIONAL COVERAGE OF **ALL BROADCASTING NETWORKS**

Tomorrow morning when KCBC, Des Moines' newest radio station, "h'ts the air" with its 1,000 watts on '390 kc, the carital city will become known for the first ime as a full-fledged metropolitan radio city.

More than a year and a half ago the tedious ground work was laid for what now promises to be one of Iowa's leading radio stations. Since that time a great deal has been accomplished to give Des Moines and surrounding area complete national and local facilities.

Heretofore this city has supported only three of the four major national radio networks on a full schedule basis. Oddly enough. the Mutual Broadcasting System, the world's largest and with whom KCBC will be associated, has never had a basic outlet here. This has been due primarily to the fact that the MBS is the newest of the "chains," and at the time of its inception the then existing local stations had already affiliated themselves.

However, beginning with KCBC's sign-on you will have access to all four major radio networks PLUS a surprisingly complete schedule of entertainment especially designed and programmed for the Des Moines area liste ing.

KCBC-THE CAPITAL CITY BROADCASTING COMPANY

Sponsored by George O'Dea, well known Des Moines ousiness man, KCBC is incorporated as the Capital City Broadcasting company. Sidney J. Pearlman is vice president and general manager. Secretary-treasurer is Hugh man interest stories, phono- pastorate of St. John's Luth- Moines radio station, and comes N. Gallagher. (Pictures on page 6.)

Des Moines, East Des Moines and Lincoln Heights.

enterprises and are infused with	ganist. Five years later he was to pursue his rare talents. And named director of the 70-voice choir. Study under Hannah Roe was preparing the young virtuoso	tion. "I enjoy the spirit of friend- liness in the new station I already feel a part of it," he said. Louie's programs, sponsored by Smartwear, Inc., begin Sun- day, March 9 at 6:00 p. m. Weekdays he'll be heard at	although young in years, KCBC's highly accom- plished personnel boasts an aggregate of more than 140 years experience in the profession. All fully seasoned, the members of the program de-
	so, when he was 14, Louie went KCBC To Have 9:30 P. M. News Here's something new in	KCBC Airs Cubs Games Chicago Cubs baseball will come to Des Moines fans th's season over KCBC direct from	announcer, Gene Milner. Gene hails from Siou: City and has nearly a decade of radio behind him, including positions with WNAX, Yankton, S. D.; KOIL, Omaha; KPAS, Pasadena, Calif.; KHQ-KGA, Spokane, Wash.; WMBD, Peoria; KBIZ, Ottumwa; and KRNT, Des Moines. During the war, Milner had a part in the writ- ing and production of such network shows as "Bombs Away," "Farragut Calling," "Truth or Consequences," and handled special events for MBS.
	-replacing the usual 10:00 o'clock period. Glen Law will do the show Sundays thru Fridays. Following on these nights at		PENS FROM HEAVEN! FREE! Watch for the KCBC airplane over your community on the morning of our opening. It will drop thousands of announcement bulletirs on Des Moines. If you find a red cardboard bulletin, bring it to KCBC, and receive your certi- ficate good for a beaut ful new Reynolds "Rocket" Ball Pen. Here is the route the plane will take beginning at 10:30:

9:45 will be fifteen minutes of this 24-hour schedule on KCBC's

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sports news with Gene Milner. several daily sports programs.

MYRON J. BENNETT

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********* ON THE AIR By Lois Gran Campbell

Hi, there. Nice to have you looking this way. There a lot of things to tell you and some good people for you to meet . . . folks you'll get to know a lot better very soon when Radio Station KCBC goes on the air. KCBC belongs to the basic Mutual family (which is a guarantee of top net-work shows) and is a most ambitious youngster. The station is striving to present some very worthwhile and enjoyable local products to the listening audience of greater Des Moines. And, there is a list of fine ones on the schedule.

MUSICIAL CROSSWORD PUZZLE . . a new radio game you'll like! The program is built around music and a puzzle for you to solve with the help of the music. Prizes? Sure, for all the correct solutions to the puzzle. Monday through Friday, 12:45 noon brings that KCBC game everyone can play. The Army," a radio-comedy town Lenox, Iowa, where he

MJB . . . Have you heard . . that gentleman with the popular music and cheerful quips is back in Des Moines! MJB has a morning show, 8-15 to 9:00, and is back again in the afternoon from 3:00 till 4:00. He offers the type of show that is always welcome on your dial.

NEWS ... Des Moines favorite newscaster, Glen Law, heads the KCBC news staff. You'll be hearing the latest, most complete news at various times through-out the complete broadcasting day. Glen will be assisted by Wes Jones and Dale Barton. The evening news coverage will be presented at the earlier time of 9:30 on KCEC in the well-founded belief that you radio fans would prefer music rather than talk for your later evening listening. Dale Barton is the man who will be keeping you informed on the state of that ever-pertinant subject, the weather. Each morning at 8:05 Dale will tell you about the state of atmospherical affairs in each section of our counthy in Des Moines most complete weather show. Later, at 11:45, GUESS THE TEMPERATURE comes your way. This program will give you the more weather-wise information and a chance for you to be a bit of a prophet yourself. We're all frequently making speculations about what the weather-man has in store for us ... well, on GUESS THE TEMPERATURE all KCBC listeners will have an apportunity to cash-in on their correct weather forcasts. Be listening at 11:45 and hear the details of this new guessing game.



Radio's "Family Affair", Fred, Florence and Bobby Van Deventer and Herb Polesie get set to answer quizmaster Bill Slater on Mutual's hilarious guessing game, "Twenty Questions" heard every Saturday at 7:00 p.m.

the panel who discuss or answer what YOU have said. You see, dreams do come true and OPINION REQUESTED has been built to help you full-fill one of yours.

YOUR SCHOOL'S AT' WORK . . . Each week-day at 4:30, you'll hear a school bell. This bell will carry you right to a front seat in a Des Moines class room. You'll hear your children recite their lessons and talk about their school. KCBC is offering this worthwhile program through the co-operation of all Des Moines and Polk County schools. Here's your chance to find out what the younger generation is up to during those hours they are away from home.

Maybe these few items will give you a hint about what KCBC's staff of over thirty people has been hard at work since early in the fall preparnig and planning radio programs that will make your The studio, located temporar-

VAN DEVENTER HEADS PANEL "20 QUESTIONS" SHOW

Fred Van Deventer, the wellknown Mutual KCBC newscaster, heads the panel of four quiz experts on this show every Saturday night from 7 to 7:30. The others on the panel are Florence Rinard, who is Mrs. Van Deventer, and who has taken her maiden name for purposes of this program; Bobby McGuire, who took the name of h's maternal grandmother for this same purpose; and Herb Poles'e, New York and Hollywood producer. Another famous radio name, Bill Slater, famous emcee and sportscaster, who College, is a genial quizmaster of "Twenty Questions."

How did "Twenty Questions" come about? As is the custom listening day more pleasant. in the Van Deventer household, the family began discussing ily in the Plymouth Building, is quizzes and quiz programs. It a virtual ant nest for activity is a fetish with them. Questions . . . and there are no drones in popped all around the dinner this nest! All day long the staff table. Mrs. Van Deventer said: plans, confers, schedules, and "Is a radio quiz as simple as works to please the radio public that?" She was assured that of Des Moines. I hope you like simplicity was the very keynote us and that we'll have a long of a successful radio quiz proand friendly acquaintance with sion that thinking up a simple you through your loud speakers, quiz program that would with 1390 as our landing spot. popular wasn't the easiest thing

in the world-both Fred and his friend explained that.

Then Nancy, home for the week end from the Hewlett School for Girls, suggested the the news . . . will report to you old parlor game they had so often played. "What about animal, vegetable, mineral?" Nancy asked. "Wait a minute," her dad replied, "Why not?" They fooled around with the reporting of news to you. game for awhile and whipped up a format which they later presented. And now millions of Americans tune in this famous quiz game evry Saturday night. An impressive mail of between 12,000 and 13,000 letters per week are indicative of the draw once was headmaster at Adelphi of this one time-a-week show.

News Director





NEWS . . . the pulsebeat of the modern radio station news . . . the minute by minute , hour by hour . . . day and nite . . . 24 hours a day 365 days a year record of the human race flashing across . . thru and in the lives of every human being.

Just as the modern miracles of radio transmission whirls the news of the world around the world with the speed of light-ning . . just so does the ac-curate reporting of historic events draw more closely the peoples of the one to the other .

With that realization of the imnortance of news to today's radio audience the KCBC news bureau is set up and geared to the fastest possible handling of all news . international . . . national, state and local. Equipped with Associated Press and International News Service leased wire KCBC will bring all the news into your living room no matter when it happens or where it happens. Add to these world famed news services the finest and most alert state and local news staff in the midwest and you are assured of getting ALL the news and getting it first.

With great interest being shown in the confusing political trends here in Polk county and the city of Des Moines KCBC will bring you the news behind in straightforward fashion JUST WHAT IS GOING ON . AND WHY. The management of KCBC will spare no expense in the coverage of and

The news reported over this station will be presented FAIRLY and ACCURATELY . . with BOTH sides on controversial news topics given without fear or favor

NEWS takes precedence over all other programs on KCBC ... we will break into any program at any time to bring you news .

OUR staff writers and editors are men of long experience who KNOW news . . . and how to report it.

"Crimes of Carelessness"

Playing the role of "Steve Jackson," "Fire prevention en-gineer" and narrator, on Mutual's "Crimes of Carelessness" will add another novelty touch to the long and varied career of Luis Van Rooten, who has

OPINION REQUESTED ...

Did you ever have the urge to talk back to the voice coming out of your loud-speaker? Did you ever wish there was a little gadget attached to your radio that would enable you to tell the announcer or master of ceremonies what you thought? Here's your chance! At seven o'clock on Wednesday evenings, a panel discussion, featuring experts in the particular field that is being discussed, will be underway on the 1390 position on your dial. Perhaps the speakers will make a statement that you question. So, you pickup your phone and dial a num-ber. Presto!!!! There is a ringing of a phone on the radio and you hear the moderator answer it. He's talking to YOU! You tell him what's on your mind and he passes it on to

Crimes of Carelessness Show



Luis Van Rooten, Crimes of Carelessness narrator, gives the lowdown to the top feminine leads-lovely Blonde Jone Allison, in center, and Betty Garde, who created the role of "Aunt Eller" in the Broadway production of "Oklahoma!"

GLEN LAW

Glen was born in Carthage, Illinois, September 23, 1907. He attended school in Golden, Illinois, college in Carthage.

In his life time he has worked as a news boy, construction worker, bridge gang laborer, clam spotter, blue print checker, car salesman, factory foreman, insurance and vacuum cleaner salesman, filling station attendant, newspaper work in Des Moines and lilinois, has been a musician, news editor and a columist.

ing and fishing. His smooth and "Theater Guild of the Air." voice will bring you news in a And now, of course, "Crimes listenable manner . . . news, of Carelessness" Sundays at ". . . according to Law."

over 5000 network shows to his credit.

After graduating from the University of Pennsylvania, Van Rooten heeded the call of the footlights. It was in Cleveland that he first became interested in the Little Theater work and did several shows with the Cleveland Playhouse and the Civic Theater. It was a natural step from the boards to radio and in 1932 he was acting on Cleveland stations WGAR, WTAM and WHK. His first radio starring role was in "The Pirate Chief" a network kid show originating in Cleveland.

During the war, Luis Van Rooten did 800 broadcasts in Spanish for the OWI. He has also dubbed his voice for Charles Laughton in Spanish pictures.

Among the many network shows on which he has received name credits are "Mr. Dis-trict Attorney;" "Cavalcade of He's married and has two America;" "The Molle Mystery children. His hobbies are hunt- Theater;" "Famous Jury Trials" 2:30.

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Don Purdy, Announcer



Don came to Des Moines in the piano in dance orchestras 1933 when his father became around Hamilton, Ontario, his minister of the Grant Park North American adopted home. Christian Church. He attended East High School, graduating first announcing job he receivin 1938. He went on to Drake ed \$15 a week and changed his After his discharge he re- the better job. Exit Toby Clark. turned to Des Moines and re- Enter Todd Russell. entered Drake as a student of Radio and Voice. Don has held many positions on the staff of Drake's Department of Radio before coming to KCBC.

Dale Barton, Announcer



Dale was born on a farm near Mitchellville. He attended Mitchellville High School and went on to the University of Missouri majoring in Journalism. While in service Dale was the mainstay of many service shows. His rich voice has gone through the microphones of many stations, WHO, KMOX, KSD, KXOX, WIL, WTMV, just to name a few.

He belongs to the Masonic

"DOUBLE OR NOTHING"

When a veteran radio program hits its highest popularity in its sixth year on the air—broadcasters take special notice of "the man behind the mike." The program, of course, is Mutual's "Double or Noth-ing" quiz; the personality—a genial gent named Todd Russell.

32 years ago in Manchester, England, he was christened Thomas Joyce Smith. At that tender age, self assurance overtook him and he knew he would be a success. He didn't know about radio then so he planned career as a concert vocalist. Naturally his own high sounding name didn't seem to fit. From a high school play he adopted the name of Todd, and as Todd Smith started to play Radio beckoned and for his

University in Des Moines for name to Toby Clark. Another two years entering the Army in job sprang up. This time in June of 1941. He married an Toronto and he decided that he English girl in London in 1944. needed new dignity to go with

After studying the American style of "selling soap" he migrated to the United States and with his definite brand showmanship and an excellent voice

love him! Woody hails from Boonville, Missouri, but he's right at home with such personalities as Benny Goodman, sonancies as beiny Goodman, Stan Kenton, Woody Herman and others. So, when Des Moines' housewives turn on their radios and hear, "Oh Mamma," "You know, — it ays to be honest," and "Honey" BOOMING from the speakers, they'll know that that grand guy, Woody Hirsch, has come to town . . . He's TERRIFIC !!!!

Gene Milner, **Program Director**



gram Director came to Des Moines from Ottumwa, station

KBIZ, and also has been affil-

Gene has written and pro-

He has covered play by play

While in Beverly Hills, Cali-

The M. C.



TODD RUSSELL

he was paged for the announcing job on the leading after-

noon dramatic programs. "Double or Nothing" is Russell's biggest assignment to date, and listeners know that he has as much fun asking the quiz questions as the contestants have in reaping the cash prizes

Todd Russell will "Double" your fun for "Nothing."

Charles Shields Announcer



Charles Shields, writer and disc jockey, hails from Belle Plaine, Iowa. However, he had most of his public schooling in Des Moines and was graduated from North High in June University of California. She of 1945, Later Chuck took a came to Iowa in 1917, taught radio writing course at Pearl-tone Studios resulting in a dis the mother of three chilcontinuity directorship at WMJM, in Cordele, Georgia. Was Barkers community ac-tivities have been many; mem-He also attended classes at the

Lee Harris, Announcer



was born on a farm Lee near Linden, Iowa, in Guthrie County, in 1922. In 1939 he entered Drake University and graduated in 1943 with a B.F.A. degree.

1943 and the Marine Corps saw Lee in the service. 1944 meant occupation duty in China. Discharge came in February of 1946. In the summer of that year he was selected to attend the Summer Radio Institute sponsored by Northwestern University and NBC. A job with KCID in Spencer, Iowa as News and Promotion Manager filled the six months before coming to KCBC.

Stella Barker, Woman's Program



Mrs. Barker was born in Oroville, California, attended school there, and graduating from the dren.

THE WARDEN **CRIME CASES ON SUNDAYS**

The brilliant career of Wars den Lewis E. Lawes, heard in THE WARDEN'S CRIME CASES every Sunday at 1 to 1:15 p. m. on KCBC, has been dominated by his interest in the rehabilitation of criminals.

Warden Lawes was born in Elmire, New York, and during his boyhood lived with his parents near the Elmire Reformatory.

However, young Lawes' de-termination to follow a penologist's career remained undetered. As a young man, he enlisted in the army, serving in the Philippines. After discharge, Lawes took the first concrete step towards his goal. He first took an appointment as guard at Clinton Prison, Dannemora, New York.

After his stint at Clinton, Lawes moved on to a guard's duties at Auburn Prison. He later returned to his old home town and became chief clerk at the Elmira Reformatory. A. term as superintendent of the New York City Reformatory followed.

In 1920, Lewis E. Lawes began the job which, more than any other, has identified him in. the public mind as a penal expert. He was appointed warden of Sing Sing Prison It was a prevailing witticism at the time that the average tenure of a Sing Sing Warden was three to six months. Warden Lawes retired in 1941, after managing the huge prison for twentyone years

As an author Lawes has been particularly prolific. His best-known work, "Twenty Thousand Years in Sing Sing," was a Book-of-the-Month Club selection. The Warden has also contributed to many popular magazines and has even written several screen plays.

THE WARDEN'S CRIME CASES is sponsored by the Trimount Clothing Company.

Mary Jane Chinn, Secretary and Writer



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Lodge and the American Legion.

Woody Hirsch, **Special Events**



Here he is! big smile . . . He's great! You'll exclusive radio school there.

versity of Georgia. Gene Milner, KCBC's Pro-

> **"McGARRY AND** HIS MOUSE"

Dan McGarry, irrespressible rookie detective, and his red-headed girl friend Kitty Archer, alias "Mouse," cuddled up for a new situation comedy series, duced several network shows, including "Bombs Away," "Far-ragut Calling," "Truth or Con-sequences," and special events broadcasts for the Mutual Broadcasts for the Mutual

Cantor program, the series is based on Matt Taylor's short stories about McGarry, the cop, for the past six years a feaerage in Iowa, Nebraska, and ture of "This Week's" magazine.

Ray Bloch composes the original background music and di-The hometown guy with the duction for "Broadcasters," and rects the orchestra, with Danny barked on their chosen carcers. Seymour as announcer.

ber of The Community Chest, Radio Workshop of the Uni- Iowa Society for Crippled Children, Board of Health Center of St. Monica's School, Women's Division of Iowa Chapter of Sister Kenny Foundation, Business and Professional Women's Club, Des Moines Club, and last fall was an observer at the United Nations General Assembly.

> At home in every company, Stella Barker will make household chores brighter and easier with her important program. You homemakers will certainly want to get the KCBC listen-Barker Speaking."



Born in Aigona, Iowa, in 1923, Mary Jane attended school there and was graduated from the University of Iowa two years ago as class president and wearing the Phi Beta Kappa key. She's a speech-radio major and carried a minor in vocal music. ly want to get the KCBC listen-ing habit of dialing 1390 every-weekday at 9 a. m. for "Stella station, she worked on KOY, Phoenix.



America was built on the basis of self-accomplishment. Our early statesmen, scientists and industrialists were poor in worldly possesions as they em-But they all had something

which money couldn't buy-the ambition to better themselves and the fortitude and determination to see the job through. This is the spirit GABRIEL HEATTER-A BRIGHTER TO-

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Wandering Minstrel

Burl Ives, The

Keith-Special Investigator





Bill was born in Des Moines,

pany and a tractor company, is

married and has one child. Thir-

teen years in office work, three

in private enterprise makes a

KCBC's Bill Haynes. His hob-

ing, and tinkering with automo-

Eugene W. Miller

Director of

Continuity

Dick Keith, who plays the title role on "Special Investi-gator" the program on which different types of fraud are exposed every Sunday at 7:30 p. m. on KCBC, always want- He has worked for a steel comed to be an actor. However, a quirk of fate and a quick decision really made up his mind. At the time, Keith was employed by a men's furnishings store, years in the navy and one year while furthering his acting ca-reer with a Little Theater Group at night.

As luck would have it, the store manager wanted him to work on a night when he was scheduled for a leading part. Dick refused and was fired by popular fellow at the station-the irate manager. As a result, comes Saturday, and pay-day! he decided to make the theater his profession, something he had wanted to do for years. A few weeks later he had a job in the Broadway production of "Diamond Lil," the beginning of a successful career behind the footlights and the microphone.

The part in "Diamond Lil," was only the beginning for Keith. Subsequently he appear-ed in "Jewel Robbery," "Great Lover" and "The Assassin." During his stage and radio engagements, he worked with such celebrities as Helen Hayes, Robert Taylor, Eddie Cantor and Tallulah Bankhead. Of his many associates, Dick picks the veteran actor, Lou Tellegen, as the most interesting person he ever met, admiring his background as actor, boxer, model, coal-stoker and baker's helper. Keith appeared with Tellegen in two plays and also in vaudeville. "True Detective Mysteries"

and "Real Stories From Real Life" are only two of the radio shows in which Keith has had leading roles, prior to his fea-ture assignment on Mutual's "Special Investigator."

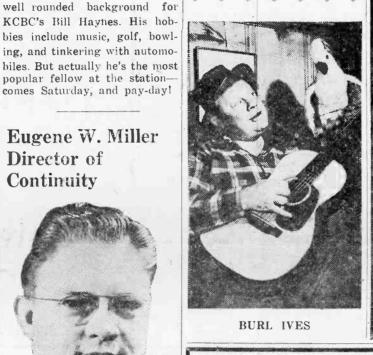
Nan Peterson, Promotion Assistant

Cited by poet Carl Sandburg, as the "greatest ballad singer of them all," BURL IVES is a modernized version of the famout wandering minstrel. Traveling leisurely from state to state to Canada, down into Mexico, Ives has gathered songs native to each section, chants them for

the pure joy of singing. "Singing for his supper" on the highways and byways, on Southern plantations and in New England villages, Ives has picked up a collection of folk songs and ballads so unrivalled that they have been recorded with the Library of Congress so that future generations may hear them.

Although he's under contract to make several movies and hopes to appear in another Broadway show, in addition to his radio work, Ives still plans May 12, 1909. He attended and to find time to hold his title graduated from East High, di Wathtering bouseboat when in lives on a houseboat when in of Wandering Troubador. He C. C. C., and Drake University. New York, and can just pick up and leave when the mood comes upon him.

Sponsored by the Philco Corporation Burl Ives is heard Fridays at 7 to 7:15 p. m. over KCBC and the Mutual Network.



Verne Jay, Continuity, Production



Verne was born near Cedar Falls. He studied dramatics at Cornell College and in Boston, Mass. Winner of a National contest with his three act play " S. S. Incorporated," which was produced in Boston. He is also the writer of "Turnstile" produced in Repertory at Hedge-row Theater near Philadelphia, "Beggerman, Thief," winner of the New Jersey Little Theater Tournament, and "Cradle Crusaders," produced in Boston. Along radio lines Verne while in New York was responsible for many radio network shows. "Mr. and Mrs. North," "Famous Jury Trials," and "The Shadow" to name a few. He's married and has one small daughter. His production experience will mean better and more listenable programs over MUTUAL in Des Moines . . . KCBC.

WE CONGRATULATE KCBC **NORTHLAND DAIRY** East Sixth and Des Moines Listen to



Announcement on

You Can Taste the Difference



KCBC

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Register in Sandusky, Ohio, to participating in Mutual's network show "For Victory," originating at the Navy School of Music, Washington, D. C., "Jim' has been in there pitching.

From a humble start covering reneral news for the Sandusky

For a colorful career in show-

business and newspaper work,

it's that of Eugene W. Miller, known in Des Moines Radio

circles as "Jim Walker."

During the war he served aboard the Carrier Wasp on strikes from the Marcus and Wake Islands to Tokio. While aboard the Wasp Jim Walker was one of the originaters of the "Radio Station W-A-S-P," a shipboard radio station that served the crew with 12 hours of continuous radio entertainment.

Born in Rolfe, Iowa, February 27, 1926, where she attended grade and public schools. She attended Drake University 1946, Eugene W. Miller, alias for three years majoring in "Jim Walker" joined the staff for three years majoring in speech and radio. She's a mem- of radio station KBIZ. From ber of Kappa Kappa Gamma this Southeastern Iowa radio sorority and Pi Beta Epsilon, Station "Jim Walker" came to honorary radio fraternity and Des Moines to join the KCBC P. E. O.

The Wasp, combed off Oki, nawa, returned to the States in 1945 and "Jim Walker" was sent to the United States Naval Air Station, Ottumwa, Iowa, where he did public information work, news, shows and radio. Discharged from the Navy in staff as Continuity Director,

We are proud to have supplied you with our broadcast equipment.

Our best wishes for

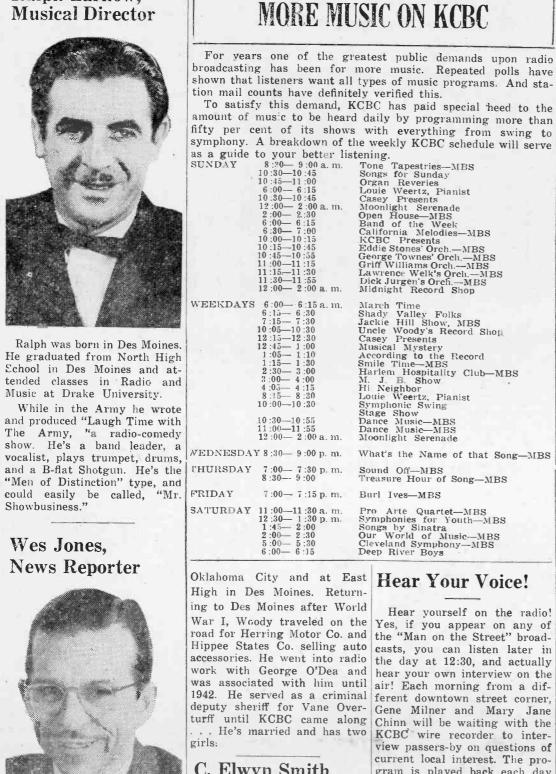
continued success

Raytheon Manufacturing Co.

Ralph Zarnow, **Musical Director**

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WE CONGRATULATE KCBC Home Insulation Co. FRANK T. GOODE, Propietor 412 East Grand Avenue Listen to our daily announcement at 6:25 p. m. **BEST WISHES** TO KCBC LISTEN TO ANNOUNCEMENT ON **BLUE BEACON COAL** University Ave. Coal Co. Congratulations and Best Wishes

Wes, the owner of that smooth deep voice, was born in Chicago, Ill., but calls his home town Lenox, Iowa, where he spent his early years. He attended school at Drake University, worked as a musician, through-out the midwest, and

Wes Jones.

News Reporter

did publicity work. His radio background includes WHO, Des Moines, WOW and KOIL in Omaha, KTBS in Shreveport, La. and KABC in San Antonio, Texas. You'll enjoy Wes, with his down to earth presentation of the news.



KCBC wire recorder to interview passers-by on questions of current local interest. The program is played back each day at 12:30, so that all, including the participants on the program, can hear. It's fun for

everyone!

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IOWA'S NEWEST RADIO STATION

Woody Cornish, Salesman



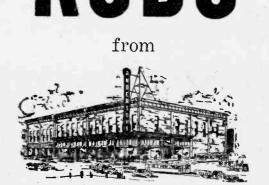
Born in Des Moines, "Smitty" was educated in the public schools here and was graduated from Drake University in 1929. He served three years as a captain in the Army, Ordnance Dept. during the war. He's a member of American Legion, Central Christian Church, A. F. & A. M., Scottish Rite, Za-Ga-Zig Shrine, and Tau Psi fraternity, and the Exchange Club. Mr. Smith's business background includes 13 years in direct selling and insurance fields.

Record Shop

A new disc jockey personality comes to Des Moines! His name is Woody Hirsch, and he presents "Uncle Woody's Record Shop" each day Monday through Saturday at 10:05 a.m. in the morning. For a terrific and friendly personality with a laugh that's out of this world,

High School in Oklahoma in Woody's Record Shop."

Woody was born in St. Louis, plus the greatest tunes on rec-August 12, 1895. He went to ord, tune in 1390 for "Uncle



Iowa's Oldest Furniture Store

Under the Same Family Management for Over 63 Years



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KCBC LOCAL ORIGINATIONS

The Pastime Club presents Ralph Zarnow and his popular dance band in a special quarter hour broadcast on KCBC opening day. Listen at 4:15 for the firest in dance music with Ralph Zarnow and his orchestra.

Telephone Program

Each morning, Monday thru Finday, at 11:00 a. m. stand by your telephones with the slogan of the week as announced by the Telephone Paymaster on KCBC. Telephone Paymaster is a brand new type of telephoneradio program that offers valuable prize awards to listeners who answer their telephones with the slogan of the week. This, in addition to interesting telephone interviews with Des Moines housewives. The slogan for the first week of broadcasting for the Telephone Paymaster program is "More music on KCBC." Answer your phone KCBC." Answer your phone SCHOOLS AT WORK, and with this slogan and win a other writing and production valuable award. Listen Monday activities . . . with MUTUAL in through Friday at 11:00 for complete details.

Homer Black,

Engineer

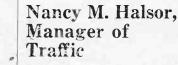


Lois Campbell,

Secretary

Lois was born in Milford, Iowa, June 7, 1923. She attended grade, and high school in Spencer, Iowa. She attended A. I. B. and holds a B. A. degree from Drake University.

She'll be responsible for YOUR Des Moines-KCBC!





KCBC's traffic manager. Nancy M. Halsor, was born in Mason City, Iowa, where she attended public school and junior college. Following graduation she joined the staff of KGLO in the home town, later being transferred to WTAD, Quincy, Illinois, as assistant to the manager. Then sometime ago she came to Des Moines as promotion manager for KSO. Her special hobbies are piano,

President of New Radio Station



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Vice President.

General Manager

Wayne Crew, **Sales Promotion** Manager



Wayne was born in Rockwell City, Iowa, July 26, 1913. He came to Des Moines in 1921, graduating from Roosevelt High School in 1931. From theater work throughout the state he went to the University of Iowa, graduating with a Speech-Radio major.

During the last twelve years as a broadcaster, Wayne has been associated with radio stations, WSUI, WMT, KSO, KRNT, the Register and Tribune, Campbell-Mithun Advertising Agency and the Walker Advertising Agency.

Positions held in this 12 year period of broadcasting and advertising work were, Program Chairman, Continuity - Production, Radio Promotion Director, Production Manager and Account Executive in Charge of Radio Sales.

The People Speak

"The People Speak" is a new KCBC production that gives the microphone to the people. For once the people are heard . . . their opinions aired on local, state or national problems. KCBC's "voice of the people" is heard every Sunday evening from 10 to 10:15.



Des Moines New Radio Station

Born in Columbia, Tennessee, December 13, 1924, where he attended high school. He was inducted into the Army at Ft. Oglethorpe, April 13, 1943. Following his discharge he was employed for a time at Rollins Hosiery Mills, resigning to attend the American Technical School. Upon graduation he was employed by the Capital City Broadcasting Company as ar, engineer.



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"CHECKERBOARD JAMBOREE" FOLK SONGS AIR ON KCBC

music, folk songs and mountain favorite, "Grand Ole Opry." melody - complete with its humor and pathos-is now presented in a new Monday through Friday daytime series, CHECK-ERBOARD JAMBOREE, on KCBC, the Mutual Broadcasting System.

Airing at 11:15 a. m., each weekday, the program adds a The program, sponsored by variety show with nighttime the RALSTON PURINA COM-stars to the KCBC daytime PANY, originates in Nashville, schedule. JAMBOREE features all the folk-music country.

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Meet the "Man on the Street" 6:45 p. m. . with our gal Daly at 12:30 He talks to the women ... she "Guess the Temperature" and corners the man — in fact, it's win a prize! Here's your chance a new corner everyday. And to test your psychic powers . what a time everybody has! your chance to be the weather-For more fun with laughs to mna. Listen each day at 11:45 spare . . . get the KCBC good to "Guess the Temperature," listening habit. Dial 1390 at 12:15 for "Man on the Street."

Southern Singers

KCBC proudly presents a Again your "Man on the Street" sensational new quartet, the personalities, Gene and Mary Southern Singers! Songs of the Jane, bring you an on the spot deep South, familiar Negro presentation direct from the spirituals, and folk songs that outstanding social activities in never grow old sung in the in- the city of Des Moines.

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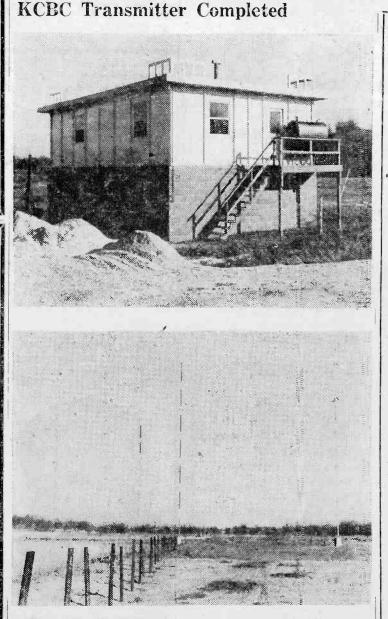
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Des Moines' New Radio Station

ON THE AIR



Here, is how Mutual's fabulous Cindererla show, "Queen For A Day," weekdays (1:30 to 2:00 p. m. EST over WGN), appears to observers. Encee Jack Bailey (top left) picks queen candidates prior to broadcast. This queen candidate (top right) asked to dance with producer Bud Ernst, and Bailey joins in the high jinks, typical of that which is always a feature of the show. Jack (bottom left) spins the giant wheel to select a State from which the out-of-town queen will be chosen, named by someone in the studio audience. Last, Bailey crowns the lucky lady, chosen "Queen For A Day." The program is now seeking a "Queen For The Year" who will be given a free trip to Hollywood and a movie contract.



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MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

PROGRAM SCHEDULES

Save these program schedules for future reference. They are given to you in this form in order to help you find the kind of program you want to hear at any time of the day or night.

MYSTERY SHOWS

	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	The Warden's Crime Cases Crime of Carlessness House of Mystery True Detective Mysteries The Shadow Nick Carter Special Investigator Official Detective Mysterious Traveler
MONDAY	7 :00- 7 :30 7 :30- 8 :00	McGarry and His Mouse The Case Book of Gregory Hood
TUESDAY	7 :00- 7 :30 7 :30- 8 :00	Scotland Yard Adventures of the Falcon
WED.	7:007:3●	Crime Club
THURSDAY	7 :30- 8 :00 9 :00- 9 :30	Counte of Monte Cristo I Was A Convict
FRIDAY	8 :30- 9 :00	Adventures of Bulldog Drummond

RELIGIOUS SHOWS

SUNDAY $\begin{array}{c} 8:00-8:30 \text{ a. m.}\\ 9:00-9:30\\ 9:30-10:00\\ 10:00-10:30\\ 11:00-11:30\\ 11:30-12:00\\ 1:30-2:00 \end{array}$	Young People's Church Radio Bible Class Voice of Prophecy Bible Institute Pilgrim Hour Lutheran Hour First Church of the Open Bible
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 7:00-7:15 a.m. 9:15-9:30	Bible School of the Air Polk County Ministrerial Association
SATURDAY 1:30- 1:45 a. m.	Sunbeams from Sunshine

WOMEN'S SHOWS

ΜΟΝΦΑΫ	THROUGH FRIDAN 9:00-9:15 a. m. 1:30-2:00 p. m. 2:00-2:30 3:00-4:00	Stella Barker Speaking (service) Queen for a Day (audience partic.) Heart's Desire (drama) MJB Show (music-variety)
MONDAY,	WEDNESDAY and 10:30-10:45 a.m. 4:05-4:15	FRIDAY Fasy Does It Hi Neighbor
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NEWS PROGRAMS

SUNDAY	$\begin{array}{c} 1:15 - 1:30 \text{ p. m.} \\ 6:15 - 6:25 \\ 9:00 - 9:30 \\ 9:30 - 9:45 \\ 10.55 - 11:00 \\ 11:55 - 12:00 \end{array}$	News by Law News by Law Gabriel Heatter's Bi News by Law Mutual Reports the Mutual Reports the	News	Tomorrow
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FRIDAY	6:30-6:45	Henry J. Taylor *		
SATURDAY	6:45 7:00	F. H. LaGuardia		

SPORTS PROGRAMS

SUNDAY THROUGH SATURDA 6:25- 6:30 p. m.	Spotlighting Sports
SUNDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 9:45-10:00 p. m.	Today in The Sports World
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY 6:45-7:00 p. m.	
MONDAY 9:00- 9:30	Fishing and Hunting Club of The
SATURDAY 4:30- 5:00	Sports Parade

CHILDREN'S SHOWS

MONDAY	THROUGH FRIDAY 4:30-4:45 p. m. 4:45-5:00 5:00-5:15 5:15-5:30 5:20-5:45 5:45-6:00	School Reporter Buck Rogers Hop Harrigan Super Man Captain Midnight Tom Mix
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sented two MJB shows dailyone from 8 to 9 a. m. and the other from 3 to 5 p. m. During these periods, KWK's polled listenership soared from 7% to 32% in the morning time and from 8% to 27% for the after-noon. Thus the St. Louis area, served by seven stations, saw KWK raised from last place to second place in listener response

In 1941 Bennett broadened his activities into the associated field of journalism by writing a daily column, "I'm Just A 'Thinkin'", for the ST. LOUIS GLOBE DEMO-CRAT. In his employer's own words: "Bennett's writings touch a sympethetic chord in the hearts of the masses."

After serving with AAF, MJB joined the staff of KRNT where he continued to win public and trade acclaim.

Now he is joining the newest radio station in Des Moines . KCBC-Mutual. And it is highly reasonable to believe that here the MJB shows will reach their

Hi, Neighbor Show

"Hi, Neighbor" is a program brimful of warm frendliness brought to you direct from the homes of your neighbors . . and perhaps from your own living room. It's homespun and mighty down-to-earth. Who's the best neighbor in your block? KCBC's emicee, Woody Hirsch, aims to find out when he brings Des Moines into your parlor afternoons Monday through Friday at 4:05. The show is sponsored by the Royal Products Co.

HEATER SHU

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MORROW sees to rekindle in those persons whose lamp of hope has burned low

Through dramatization of the disappointments and heartaches of the men and women who didn't know the meaning of the word "quit", the program shows that one failure isn't total failure, that success is largely dependent upon the stuff of which the individual is made. Nor are these examples drawn from the famous alone. Stor'es about obscure people are tol., toobecause the average listener is better able to compare them to himself.

Gabriel Heatter, the great radio personality who is launching this new series, feels that the program's primary objective is to help people overcome doubt and fear and put a greater value on themselves. Heatter is well qualified to assume the leadership in this new and exciting adventure. Much of his own life has been spent plead-ing the cause of the "little man." He has never forgotter the words of his father, who once told him: "Gabriel, never

peak of popularity and continue they prefer. His new shows will to please the people of this be heard at 7:30-8:00 a. m. area with the type of radio 8:15-9:00 a. m. and 3:00-4:00 entertainment they have said p. m.



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SATURDAY	12:30-1:30	Symphonies For Youth	forget you are son of a work-	TRUCK	
SUNDAY	12:30-1:00	Juvenile Jury	ingman."		
			GABRIEL HEATTER - A	LEASE IN THE REAL PROPERTY AND A REAL PROPERTY	
1	FAMILY SHOWS	- QUIZ and VARIETY	BRIGHTER TOMORROW sponsored by the Mutual Benefit		
MONDAY 7	THROUGH SATURI 10:05-10:30 a.m. 11:45-12:00	DAY Uncle Woody's Record Shop Guess The Temperature	Health and Accident Associa- tion of Omaha, is heard every Sunday at 9 p. m. on KCBC.		
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MONDAY	8:30- 9:00	KCBC Goes to a Party			
TUESDAY	8:30- 9:15	American Forum of the Air	NIL A		
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THURSDAY	8 :30— 9 :00 9 :00— 9 :50	Treasure Hour of Song The Family Theater	Mark.	FM ANTENNAS	
FRIDAY	7 :15 7 :30 7 :30 8 :00 9 :00 9 :30	Holly House Leave It To The Girls To Be Announced		The new, ultra-high-frequencies are an o story to the engineers who developed Win	ld
SATURDAY	$\begin{array}{c} 12:15-12:30\\ 5:00-6:00\\ 7:00-7:30\\ 7:30-8:00\\ 8:00-8:30\\ 8:30-9:00\\ 9:00-10:00\\ \end{array}$	The Veteran Back Home Cleveland Symphoney Meet the Press Scramby-Amby The Mighty Casey Thrilling Stories Chicago Theater of the Air	The second se	charger's FM Folded Dipole Antenna. Pr war FM experts, they set to work during th war to create some of the Armed Force fibrest radar covipment. And now again th Wincharger FM Folded Dipole Antenna ha without a doubt, the fibrest engineering in t.	e- he s' he is,
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