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**Election on TV and Radio**!

#### "The Big Show" Starts Nov. 5

"An entirely novel concept of radio"—that's only one of the many excited comments which "The Big Show" has drawn from the radio industry since it was first announced last month.

"The Big Show" will be heard on WOW beginning on Sunday, November 5, and every Sunday thereafter, from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

As always NBC has definitely scored another "first" in radio programming by originating this 90 minute "flowing sequence" show that is expected to attract one of the greatest listening audiences of any program in the history of radio.

Tallulah Bankhead, long considered one of the top female personalities of stage, screen and radio, will serve as Mistress of Ceremonies for the much talked about show. Her dynamic personality alone is enough to assure the success of any entertainment offering, but—as the saying goes "It's only the beginning, folks—it's only the beginning."

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#### **BACK AGAIN**

After a brief absence from the air, NBC's half-hour science-fiction series, "Dimension X" has returned to the network and is now heard on WOW Sundays at 2 p.m.

"Dimension X" will fill the time spot of "NBC Theatre" which moves to a full hour period Thursdays at 9 p.m. Femcee ...



HOSTESS TO THE STARS—Tallulah Bankhead, the only volcano ever dressed by Mainbocher, is mistress of ceremonies on WOW's mammoth 90minute Sunday night radio show. She will inaugurate the new program on November 5 with a glittering array of comedy and musical stars.

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#### Bob Hope and Troupe Visit Over 35 Bases

Since Bob Hope and his troupe of entertainers left Hollywood on October 4 for a tour of the Pacific area, they have visited and entertained at more than 35 bases and hospitals, including those in Pearl Harbor, Kwajalein, Guam, Okinawa and Japan. The NBC comedian and his company will continue their entertainment in Korea and will roundout the four-week tour in the Aleutians.

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#### **NEW PLAYERS NAMED**

John Griggs is heard as Roger Marshall, Joy Hathaway as Celia Marshall, Joe Curtin as Curt Hanley and John Larkin as Dan Morgan in the serial drama "David Harum" (WOW, Monday through Friday, 10:45 a.m.)

Gertrude Warner now portrays Teresa Blake in the drama "Just Plain Bill" (WOW, 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday).

## Full Coverage Election Nite

Election returns service November 7 by both radio and television is being set up by a tremendous NBC special events staff, and, locally, by the WOW news department under News Manager Harold Baker.

The TV service will mark another great first in the national dissemination of election returns and election news.

From present indications WOW (and WOW-TV) will retain its long-time reputation for being first in election returns service.

National returns service sponsored by Chevrolet will be heard throughout the evening on WOW via NBC.

on WOW via NBC. The WOW-TV service will start at 6:45 on John Cameron Swayze's Camel News Caravan, and continue with program cut-ins from time to time. Starting at 11 p.m. WOW-TV will carry direct NBC network TV service until the control of Congress is determined.

First with the election returns! That's been the story at WOW for many years, and the forthcoming election on November 7 will be no exception.

be no exception. WOW's large staff of local and regional correspondents is augmented by special election correspondents for the big job of getting you the earliest and best possible report on election trends and results.

In addition to WOW's top coverage of local and regional races the latest election news from all over the nation will be brought to you through our United Press and Associated Press wires.

Keep tuned to WOW on Tuesday evening, November 7 for the first accurate election returns.

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#### TALENT-\$9,000,000

NBC President Joseph H. Mcconnell revealed at the annual NBC convention that NBC spent 9 million dollars for radio talent and show properties during the year. WOW President Francis P. Matthews, General Manager Frank P. Fogarty and Assistant General Manager Lyle DeMoss attended the convention.



#### Typical of Our American Music

Paul Lavalle conducts this fine 48-piece orchestra in stirring martial music and semi-classical numbers. Band music is as typically American as the Fourth of July and that is part of the reason for the popularity of this segment of NBC and WOW's big Monday night musical line-up. The other reason, of course, is the superb direction of bandmaster Lavalle and the expert musicians precise response to his inspired baton. The Green and White Quartette gives vocal interpretation to your favorite marching songs.

#### -wow-'MUSIC ROOM' A 'MUST'

"The Music Room" has become one of the listening "musts" for lovers of good music of all types. Lyle DeMoss is master of cere-

monies on the Sunday afternoon quarter hour (WOW, 12:45)



(WOW, 12:45) of top recorded music. The Schmoller

The Schmoller and Mueller sponsored show features albums of particular interest to this area. For example, prior to local presentations of musical comedies or top nussical groups "The Music Room"

Lyle DeMoss

features the works of that particular show or group on one of its programs, together with interesting background material.

#### 'Hit Parade' Talent List Most Impressive

A tiny segment of the talent which has appeared on the Lucky Strike sponsored "Hit Parade" (WOW, Saturday, 8 p.m.) in the past 15 years looks like a Who's Who in music business. Here are but a few of the many greats in the music world who have lent their talents to the popular program:

Band leaders Al Goodman, Carl Hoff, Freddie Rich, Harry Salter, Don Voorhees, Harry Sosnick, Abe Lyman, Peter Van Steeden, Leo Reisman, Richard Himber, Alex Stordahl, Mark Warnow, and currently, Raymond Scott.

rently, Raymond Scott. Singers Buddy Clark, Lanny Ross, Bea Wain, the Merry Macs, Barry Wood, Orrin Tucker and Bonnie Baker, Dick Haymes, Lawrence Tibbett, Dick Todd, Johnny Mercer, Andy Russell, Dinah Shore, the Andrews Sisters, the Pied Pipers, Doris Day, Beryl Davis and Frank Sinatra. 'Gildy' & Co....



From top to bottom it's Throckmorton P. Gildersleeve (Willard Waterman), Marjorie (Marylee Robb) and LeRoy (Walter Tetley). The romantically inclined Water commissioner of Summerfield provides fun for all on "The Great Gildersleeve," sponsored by Kraft Foods every Wednesday night at 7:30 on WOW.

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#### **STARS RECEIVE AWARDS**

Three of NBC's top stars were awarded coveted certificates of merit by the National Safety Council this week for work in bringing messages of safety to radio listeners across the country.

For the second year NBC's Phil Harris and Alice Faye (WOW, 6:30 p.m., Sunday) received an Exceptional Service Award for a transcribed series of safety programs that were broadcast on over 1,100 radio stations. The two stars are the first entertainment personalities to ever receive the Exceptional Service Award for two successive years.

A similar award went to effervescent NBC comedienne Judy Canova (WOW, 9 p.m., Saturday) for her series of safe winter driving musical jingles which were broadcast on more than 775 radio stations.

#### Telephone Hour Leader Got an Early Start

Donald Voorhees, director of the Bell Symphonic Orchestra on "The Telephone Hour" (WOW, Mondays, 8 p.m.), got an early start in big time musical circles.

At 15 while still in high school, he became conductor of the Lyric Theater Orchestra in his home town of Allentown, Pa. At that time he had been studying music for 10 years and met many producers and artists since th



Donald Voorhees

and artists since the Lyric housed tryouts of many Broadway Musicals.

Just two days after high school graduation he accepted the job of directing the orchestra for "Broadway Brevities of 1920" starring Eddie Cantor. Thus his start in big time musical circles came at the early age of 17—and has continued ever since. Voorhees has been conductor of "The Telephone Hour" since it first went on the air eight years ago.

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#### Mal's Pals...



Mal Hansen, center, is shown with Ted Martin, left, of Millard, Neb., and Ken Smalley of Iowa City, Ia. Ted and Ken are presidents of their respective states' Rural Youth Organizations.

Mal Hansen, Farm Service Director for WOW and WOW-TV was chairman of the committee in charge of the first Omaha Rural Youth Day which was held on the 23rd. Thanks to all of the fine help which the committee members gave Mal the affair went off without a hitch and was pronounced a big success by all concerned. It was a big task but then Mal is used to such things by now, and as long as it has anything to do with agriculture it's Mal's meat.

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#### THEME SONG POPULAR

The Ronald Colmans as "Dr. William Todhunter Hall" and his English ex-actress wife "Victoria," meet themselves coming and going every time they turn on the radio.

"The Halls of Ivy" theme song, composed by show's musical director, Henry Russell, is now on the market in record and sheet music form.

## American Album's 20th Year

#### A Newsman's Newsman He's Known World Over

Alex Dreier, the man who brings you the first network news of the day for the Skelly Oil Company (WOW, Monday through Saturday, 7 a.m.) has gathered news in 16 countries and is one of the two radio correspondents who covered the European war from the two conflicting capitals of London and Berlin.

Born in Honolulu, Dreier's youth was marked by the same rapid pace which has characterized his later years. He attended grade and high schools in San Francisco and spent his college days at Stanford Uni-versity. The day after graduation he was working for the San Fran-cisco Bureau of the United Press.

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#### PERSONABLE QUIZZER

Jack Parr's sparkling personality raises "The \$64 question" to a new high in audience participation programs.

Formerly known as "Take It or Leave It" the show this year changed

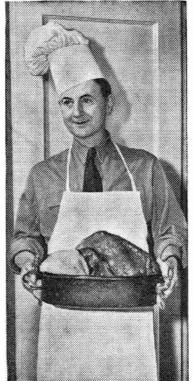


its title because of popular demand for identifying the show with the familiar quote. The show has been a popular Sunday night feature for

Jack Paar

and during that period "The \$64 Question" has become a national by-word. You hear it in the home, and kids shout it on the streets. The show is a top combination of sparkling personality and interest-ing questions. RCA Victor sponsors this popular half-hour show heard each Sunday night at 9 over WOW.

#### **Bachelor** Chef ...



There is only one way to roast that Thanksgiving turkey, according to Len Doyle who plays Harrington on Mr. District Attorney-the Bristol-Myers sponsored adventure show heard every Wednesday night at 8:30 on WOW. Doyle claims that the dressing must be cooked on the outside of the bird so that the turkey will retain its natural juices and the dressing will keep its flavor. Cooked-in-the-turkey dressing always tasted plenty good to us, but maybe Doyle has a point. What do you think?

#### **'Welcome Travelers' Makes Pete's Dream Come True**

Thirty-five years ago he was the toast of baseball. Acclaimed as one of the greatest pitchers in the game, he was lionized by the sports world.

Today, weak, nearly penniless and not well, he was completely neglected and forgotten by the sport to which he had devoted his life.

When the Phillies, the team he played with longest, won the pen-nant and the right to meet the Yankees in the World Series, he waited expectantly to see fulfilled his one dream: to see his team once again in the big classic.

But he was neglected once more until Tommy Bartlett, genial emcee of NBC's "Welcome Travelers" (WOW, Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m.) learned his story. Bartlett made arrangements to fly the veteran to New York.

In the meantime, NBC in New

York arranged for series tickets for the ex-star and his party. dream was fulfilled. The

When the press learned of his presence in the stadium they invited him to sit with them in their section and once more they paid homage to the memory of this great baseball player.

Not until the sporting press had made much of the veteran's appearance did baseball officials deign to recognize the star who would have been denied his one last dream had it not been for Tommy Bartlett and his "Welcome Travelers" radio show, sponsored by Procter and Gamble.

His name, already listed in base-"Ol' Pete," Grover Cleveland Al-exander, the only Philadelphia Phillies pitcher ever to win a world series game.

#### **Holds Listeners** Thru the Years

"The American Album of Familiar Music" is just what its name implies. Because it has so aptly lived up to its title it is now in its 20th year of popularity with the listening public.

Ever since the program began in 1931 famed radio producer Frank . Hummert has selected music most requested by listeners. The relaxing strains of familiar tunes of all types are pre-sented by artists who are at the peaks of their respective brilliant careers.



Jean Dickenson

Thomas L. Thomas, Felix Knight, Jean Dickenson, Margaret Daum and Gustave Haenschen's Orchestra combine their talents to bring you one of America's favorite half-hours every Sunday night at 8:30 over WOW. Bayer Aspirin brings you this favorite.

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#### SOMETHING NEW

A new phase in the relationship between radio performers and studio audiences was heard recently on one of the Dial Dave Garroway shows (WOW, 10:30 p.m., Monday through Friday), and has already elicited favorable fan mail.

In an endeavor to keep his series on a typically Garroway, low-noise level, writer Charlie Andrews suggested a method of muffling the applause from Dave's studio audience. Andrews remembered a procedure he and Garroway had observed in a Paris nightclub this past summer when they visited the French capital. The emcee at the Parisian bistro had asked the patrons to confine their applause to snaps of the fin-gers, because there were children sleeping upstairs.

When the revolutionary procedure was tried out on a Garroway audience, they cooperated enthusiastically. Listeners like it, too. -wow---

*Meet "Ma"* . . .



Oxydol's own "Ma Perkins," probably the best known woman in America, is beard on WOW at 1:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Virginia Payne plays the title role.

# Top Detectives Are on WOW

### One of Many...



Screen and Radio Star Dick Powell plays the lead in the sophisticated mystery series "Richard Diamond-Private Detective" on WOW at 9:30 p.m., Wednesdays.

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#### 'Counterspy' Tales Now on Radio WOW

The popular counter-espionage dramatic series "Counter-Spy" is now heard each Friday on WOW

at 8:30 p.m. Don MacLaughlin, who has been portraying David Harding, chief of the counter-spies, ever since the program first was broadcast in 1942, continues in that role. Mandel

continues in that role. Mandel Kramer also continues as his assist-ant, Harry Peters. "Counter-Spy" was created at a time when the country was at war and counter-espionage was of the utmost importance. The series has continued to point out the pitfalls which await the law-abiding citizen which await the law-abiding citizen, even in peacetime, and the vital operations of our agents in unfriendly countries, where they seek information of major consequence to the conduct of our foreign relations. -wow-

#### **EXPENSIVE TRIP**

Don Quinn probably commutes further each week to take care of his two shows—"Fibber McGee and Molly" (WOW, Tuesday, 8:30 p.m.) and "The Halls of Ivy" (WOW, Wednesday, 7 p.m.)—than any other Hollywood radioite. It's about 90 miles from NBC's Hollywood Radio City to his home, and he makes the trip at least twice every week. When someone recently asked him how long it took him to make the 90 mile trip, Don replied: "About two hours and one speeding ticket!"

#### **Gargantuan Gourmet Played by Greenstreet**

"Nero Wolfe," the fabulous detec-tive, played by Sydney Greenstreet, is now heard on WOW every Friday at 7 p.m.

Wolfe, the erudite gourmet who never walks when he can sit and never sits when he can lie down, carrys on in the great detective tradition created by Rex Stout. The enormously fat detective reluctantly solves his cases so that he can afford his epicurean diet and expensive orchid conservatory. He never leaves his house.

Archie Goodman, one of detective fiction's most original legman, also appears in the new radio series.

#### Alligator is Invader of the Lovejoy's Lair

Frank Lovejoy, star of NBC's "Night Beat" (WOW, Friday, 8 p.m.) once had to call the police with the incredible story that there was an alligator in his front yard. Lovejoy was working in a picture with Humphrey Bogart, when his wife called him to tell him that she was too petrified to move. "There's an alligator right outside our window," she said. Sure enough, there was an alligator about four years old cavorting about the Lovejoy lawn. Seems a neighbor up in Coldwater Canyon raises them as a hobby and one got away.

#### These are your Headquarters Stores for Martha's Cupboard

The following is a list of the WOW Feature Foods "headquarters stores" in this area.

It's at these stores that you can buy the fine products you hear about on "Martha's Cupboard" every week-day morning at 10 on WOW. These stores also are visited from time to time by Priscilla Lind and Nancy Mauck who'll give your "Recipe Roundup" packets. Be sure to listen for the date of the "Recipe Roundup" in your neighborhood store.

Roundup" in your neighborhood store. Fairway Market, 1342 Park Ave. Green's Super Market, 1512 So. 60 St. Cottage Grocery, 5423 Leavenworth Steve's Super Market, 4973 Center West Center Market, 4973 Center Clanton's 3501 Center West Side Grocery, 1124 So. 48 St Abe's Trading Center, 5642 Center Grand Central Market, 2920 Leavenworth Raduziner Grocery, 3519 Center Zitka Grocery, 3500 So. 24 St. Boulevard Market, 3005 Nascall Katz for Foods, 5002 Leavenworth Max's Market, 2010 Vinton Wehlner Grocery, 5201 Leavenworth Max's Market, 2001 Vinton Wehlner Grocery, 5201 Leavenworth Barger Brothers, 3823 Gold St. Oak Street Market, 3001 So. 32nd Ave. Shop Rite, 2331 So. 20th St. Bell Laferia, 3517 So. 32nd Ave. Grover St. Market, 3010 So. 32nd Ave. Carlson's Foods, 3052 So. 32nd Ave. Carlson's Foods, 3052 So. 32nd Ave. Windsor Grocery, 2156 So. 35th Ave. Carlson's Foods, 3032 So. 24th St. John Ziomba, 4333 So. 26th St. Buehler Brothers, 2313 N St. John Willuhn, 4324 So. 27th St. United Provision, 4917 So. 24th St. Don's Market, 6315 Raircad Ave. John Julius Meat & Groc., 5645 So. 21st St. Hazuka Grocery, 5140 So. 24th St. Don's Market, 6313 Gilmore St. F. B. Bogatz, 5405 So. 21 St. I GA Super Market, 6310 So. 20th St. Bosanek Grocery, 5140 So. 24th St. Don's Monclair Market, 3010 Cuning O. P. Skaggs, 3002 O St. Central Park Super Mit., 4135 Grand Ave. C. L. Vey's, 3941 X St. White's Market, 6501 So. 301 So. 30th St. A. Van Houtte, 3702 O St. Or J Skaggs, 1710 Vinton St. Carl Stehmer Grocery, 2432 So. 24th St. Don's Market, 56th and Q St. Owl Super Market, 56th and W St. Bill's Food Market, 56th and W St. Bill's Food Market, 56th and St. C. J. Vey's, 3941 X St. White's Market, 56th and W St. Bill's Food Market,

Pros Grocery, 4011 So. 13th St. Owl Super Market, Inc., 712 So. 13th St., Nortolk, Neb. Tony's Grocery, 2302 So. 16th St. Louis Sommer, 4820 Dodge St. I. W. Rosenblatt, 4001 Cuming E. Dahlbeck Grocery, 3248 No. 40th St. J & H Food Market, 1817 No. 33rd St. Sam Newman, 4906 Dodge St. Tom & Jerry Grocery, 2702 So. 10th St. Frank Nocita Grocery, 1701 So. 10th St. Frank Nocita Grocery, 1702 So. 8th St. Pontillo Grocery, 1701 So. 10th St. Menche Brothers, 5830 Military H & K Food Shop, 5113 Military Red & White, 4871 Military Laggie's Grocery, 4470 Bedford Thorin Market, 4010 Hamilton St. S & R Red & White, 2603 No. 45th St. Amen Fine Foods, 1406 So. 13th St. C. F. Hermanek, 1312 William St. Boulevard Food Store, 1021 Nebraska St., Sioux City, Ia. Pine Street Market, 2416 Dodge St. Eagles Cash Grocery, 2322 Douglas St. Peter Pan Grocery, 2516 Dodge St. Lippett Market, 2416 Davenport St. Zemanek Grocery, 1300 W. 4th St., Sioux City, Ia. Thrity Market No. 1, 1401 Center, Sioux City, Ia. Thrity Market No. 2, 423 W. 3rd St., Sioux City, Ia. Thrity Market, 905 W. 7th St., Sioux City, Ia. Farmers Union Exchange, 3902 Leavenworth Markesi Grocery, 3552 Dewey Ave. Roffman's, 2500 Harney St. Leo's Food Market, 6059 Military Benson Crest Market, 3229 Harney St. O. P. Skaggs Store, 6209 Maple St. Romeo Grocery, 3052 Leavenworth Schnik Grocery, 3552 Leavenworth Schnik Grocery, 3552 Leavenworth Schnik Grocery, 3552 Leavenworth Kecher Brothers, 3564 Farnam St. Walton's Cash Market, 2267 Leavenworth Ralston Super Market, Ralston, Neb. Tiek-tock Store, Papillion, Neb. Bakers Super Market, Sal54 Farnam St. Walton's Cash Market, Sal54 Leavenworth Ralston Super Market, Ralston, Neb. Tiek-tock Store, Papillion, Neb. Bakers Super Market, Franklin St., Dellevue, Neb. IGA Super Market, 118 West Mission, Bellevue, Neb. Matton's Grocery, 100 No. 37th St., Council Bluffs, Ia. Bellevue Market, 118 West Mis

# WOW-TV FALL AND WINTER SCHEDULE WOW-TV



Keep This Schedule Near Your Set! Watch WOW News Tower Or Your Local For



Changes and Corrections

#### SATURDAYS

(ALL DAY!) FOOTBALL EVERY SATURDAY

**THROUGH DECEMBER 2** 11/4 —Nebraska vs. Missouri 11/11-Nebraska vs. Kansas State

> with Tip Saggau for Cudahys



Tip Saggau 11/25-Princeton vs. Dartmouth 12/2 —Army vs. Navy Gillete (NBC) 4:30 P. M.—Joe DiMaggio Lionel Toys (NBC) 4:45 P. M.-Wendy Barrie Alsco (NBC)

5:00 P. M.—American Forum (NBC)

6:00 P. M.-Hank McCune Peter Paul (NBC)

6:30 P. M.-ONE MAN'S FAMILY Manhattan Soap (NBC)





Sid Caesar

7:00 P. M.-JACK CARTER SHOW Campbells Soups Whitman Candy Wildroot Johnson Wax 8:00 P. M.-

SHOW OF SHOWS Sid Caesar and Imagene Coco Snowcrop SOS Scotchtane

Benrus Crosley

9:30 P. M.-LUCKY STRIKE HIT PARADE (NBC)

10:00 P. M.-Falstaff Wrestling from Chicago (Du.)

## New Shows!

## WOW-TV Best Most of Time

## 15 of Top 25 on WOW-TV

Nearly two-thirds of the time during choice evening hours, WOW-TV carried the most popular programs in all television.

October national Hooperatings indicate that WOW carried 15 of the top 25 highest rated shows on the air. More than 14 hours weekly of WOW-TV programming between the hours of 6:45 p.m. and 10 p.m. and from 5 p.m. on Sundays, are occupied by these top-rated shows. The shows, and their rank in na-

tional popularity, are as follows: 1st-Milton Berle, Texaco Star Theater

3rd-Godfrey's Talent Scouts, Lipton

5th—The Philco TV Playhouse 6th-Robert Montgomery in Lucky Strike dramas

8th-Old Gold Amateur Hour 10th - Hopalong Cassidy for Butter-nut Bread.

11th-Admiral's "Lights Out" 14th-Martin Kane, Private Eye, U. S. Tobacco

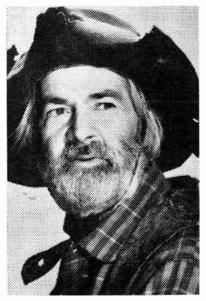
15th-Colgate Comedy Hour 16th-Kay Kyser's Ford Show 19th-Procter & Gamble's Mu-

sical Comedies 20th—Saturday Night Revue 21st—Camel News Caravan

24th-Lucky Strike Hit Parade

Additionally, WOW-TV carries the highest rated daytime TV show —"Howdy Doody;" and three of the six top-rated Sunday afternoon shows, "Zoo Parade," Gabby Hayes, and "Meet the Press." Many other fine WOW-TV programs are carried in so few cities they have no national ratings.

Tells Tall Tales ....



Spinner of tall tales Sunday afternoons, Gabby Hayes, is fast becoming very popular on WOW-TV. It follows "Zoo Parade" (3:30) at 4 p.m. Both shows are Quaker Oats presentations.

#### Alors!...



Matinee Funnybone ticklers new to WOW-TV afternoon (2 to 2:30) audiences include the Ransom Sherman Show (see page 5). Ransom, Nancy Weight, the vocalist, and Joe Bradley are shown above.

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#### Here and There ....

"Battle Report" one of NBC's finest documentary programs has been added to WOW-TV's Sunday afternoon schedule. It will be seen and heard at 2 p.m., Sundays.

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Afternoon televiewers will see an audience participation show on the direct NBC network on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Program details were not available when this News Tower went to press. . . .

Recent issue of Look Magazine carried a 5-page spread article on the "Show of Shows," heard Satur-day nights on NBC-TV, and WOW-TV from 7 p.m. to 9. Stars of the two-hour topnotcher include Sid Caesar, Imogene Coco and Jack Carter.

#### **Champion Steer** on WOW-TV

Another great first for television will be chalked up November 28 when the Allis Chalmers Co., will show mid-westerners the judging of the Grand Champion Steer competition at the Chicago International Livestock Show.

The event will be carried on NBC and WOW-TV at 2 p.m.

#### MODEL CONTEST

WOW-TV viewers will get a chance to vote for "My Favorite Model" on Rosella's show for the John Byrne Jewelry Co., Mondays at 9:30 p.m. Models will be invited to compete and the winner will receive a \$100 Sterling Silver service on Christmas.

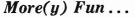
Rosella is sponsored at 9:30 p.m., Wednesdays, by the Commercial Savings & Loan Association.

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#### **PUSHED INTO FAME**

Groucho Marx, star of NBC's "You Bet Your Life" (WOW-TV, 7 p.m., Thursdays), couldn't help but go into show business. His mother played the harp for her German magician father, who owned a travelling troupe. Al Shean, of "Gallagher and Shean" fame, is her brother. Groucho and his brothers were inducted into the mysteries of show business before they were able to walk and today Groucho, at the age of 55, is going stronger than ever on radio and TV.

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Always one of radio's funiest comics, Morey Amsterdam is worth waiting up for on WOW-TV. He's an emcee of "Broadway Open House"-Mondays through Fridays, 11 p.m. to 12, on WOW-TV.

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Issued to Increase Enjoyment of WOW-TV Television Programs

# Parks, Sherman in Day Spots



One of TV's loveliest and most talented ladies, Kyle McDonald, is Mistress of Ceremonies on the new "Hold That Camera" (Esquire Boot Polish) show, Fridays, 8 p.m., Dumont, on WOW-TV. -wow-тv-

#### 'Freeze' May Not Lift Until June Next Year

Chairman Wayne Coy of the Federal Communications Commission was quoted in trade papers as "hoping" the "freeze" could be lifted by next June. The "freeze" bans licensing of new stations until other FCC work is completed. Industry leaders estimated that there is little likelihood of new stations being authorized until after the ban is lifted. Two applications for licenses for Omaha stations are on file. If approved a couple of months after the lifting it would probably be some time in mid-1952, at the earliest, before more local stations would be on the air.

#### -wow-tv-**BEGIN 4TH YEAR**

Congratulations are in order for Burr Tillstrom and his "Kukla, Fran and Ollie" cast. The show began its 4th consecutive year on television October 13. Incidentally. Burr, who has been in TV since 1939, was 33 years old on the same day. The show is sponsored on WOW-TV by RCA and Sealtest.

#### NOVEMBER. 1950

## **45 Direct Net** Shows On

WOW-TV this month expands its service to more than 70 hours a week, as it begins the second month of "direct network."

The expansion comes on week-day afternoons with the addition of the great new Bert Parks and Ransom Sherman shows in the 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. slot, Mondays through Fridays. The addition of these new features brings to 45 the number of direct-network shows on WOW-TV, and increases to 541/2 hours the number of direct-network hours on

WOW-TV.

The November schedule now includes 116 television programs-45 by direct network; two by television film; six by kinescope recording, and 23 live studio productions-PER WEEK.

The expanded schedule induced thousands of folks in the WOW-TV area to rush to buy sets. The total sets-in-use in the WOW-TV area jumped past the 40,000 mark October 25 and was expected to reach 50,000 by Thanksgiving day.

October highlights in the WOW-TV schedule included the telecasting of the Ak-Sar-Ben Ball (courtesy of Thomas Kilpatrick & Co.), and six full-length football games (Nebraska games courtesy of Cudahys), plus the memorable Gillette-spon-sored World Series.

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#### SMALL HUMOR

Dave Garroway (Sunday, 9 p.m., on NBC and WOW-TV) calls his low - pressure chatter, "small humor." This he defines as "the intrinsic funniness of a perfectly normal situation, or the normal humor of a macabre situation." Its function is to make the audience chuckle mildly and retain an impression of being amused.

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**CBS ON WOW-TV** The Arthur Godfrey "Talent Scouts" program (for Lipton, 7:30 p.m. Mondays on CBS and WOW-TV) is the first CBS regular series ever carried on a Radio Station WOW, Inc., outlet.

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Mebbe you can call bim a "matinee idol"-this Bert Parks gent of "Breakthe-Bank" fame. Anyway, you can see and hear him from 2:30 to 3, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays now on his new General Foods NBC show on WOW-TV.

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#### Wynn in Durante Spot After Clayton's Death

Jimmy Durante's absence from Motorola's "The Four Star Revue," Wednesdays at 7 p.m. on NBC and WOW-TV, is due to the death of his life-long friend and confidante, Lou Clayton. Ed Wynn switched dates and enabled Durante to re-cuporate from his grief cuperate from his grief.

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#### THOSE GREAT FIGHTS

The "Great Fights in History" series is scheduled on WOW-TV following the Gillette Boxing matches which start at 9 p.m. If the fights run past 9:45 p.m. the "Great Fights" series (for Vaseline products) will not be carried.

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#### 'KANE'S' HAPPY

William (Bill) Gargan, who plays "Martin Kane, Private Eye," (9 p.m. Fridays on NBC and WOW-TV) and his wife Mary have been happily married, and have lived in Hollywood for 21 years.

## Sally's Christmas Plan is Set

## Tip Saggau...

If I didn't talk about the surprising Nebraska Huskers during this month's session, one would think my mental capacity has slipped a little more than usual. So, let's talk Nebraska foot-



ball. At the beginning of the 1950 campaign the majority of sports experts throughout the nation picked Nebraska to finish behind Oklahoma, Missouri and Kansas in the Big Seven conference. Your writer liked Ne-

Tip Saggau

braska in the third spot. Perhaps you had your own opinion as to the eventual standings as far as the Huskers were concerned.

Another chance opened with the tie against Indiana followed by a win over the Golden Gophers of Minnesota the following Saturday. Victory starved Husker football fans seemed to sense a return to the days when Nebraska was known throughout the nation as one of the great powers of Midwest football. They had a right to feel that way, but they overlooked one important item-the number of sophomores representing the scarlet and cream on the gridiron.

I don't mean to take anything away from the first-year men on the team, but they are bound to make mistakes due to lack of seasoning.

The Colorado game was a tough game to lose, because it was against a conference opponent, but it could be that the game will make the kids on the team realize that in this day and age there is no such thing as a soft touch on Saturday afternoon on a football field.

Grass Roots...

We got so much publicity on WOW Calling from our last column . . . the essay about the cow, that we are tempted to write one this time on "Why you can teach

a hog to walk a tight rope." But we fear that with too much humor, continuity writer Bill O'-Hollaren might suspect that we are encroaching on his ground. Then too, if

we turn comic, Johnny Carson might have his feelings hurt.

We didn't re-

alize that there was such a story behind the changes in farming until

Mal Hansen

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## Rev. R. R. Brown...

Emergency - urgency - crisis perilous times — dangerous situa-tions! These words and expressions are not only heard on the radio, the street, but they are head-lined

daily in the press. The result, a state of uncertainty and jitteriness. Political leaders, educators, scientists and commentators are making alarming predictions about the future. From their conclu-sions, it would seem as though free government and free enter-



Rev. R. R. Brown

prise which have brought America to the position we now occupy are definitely doomed unless we are able to defend ourselves. All of these add up to the fact that the United States has now become a great military nation.

All of this is the consequence of a world being exposed to the everthreatening danger of a self-constituted totalitarian group in one nation dominated by a lust for world power. We, in our fair land, must resist and become articulate against too much government control, as well as reckless spending and waste. This government must not fall into the hands of minorities, but continue to be the government "of the people and for the people." Finally, our greatest need is in-ternal. Recently a minister said, "We are more concerned about sav-ing our skins than we are about our sins." America needs to repent our sins." America needs to repent and put God and morality in the center of its life.

I want to thank Radio Station WOW and all the radio stations for the help they gave in making the Spiritual Life Rally at which Billy Graham spoke a great success. It was estimated to be the largest crowd ever to be in the Ak-Sar-Ben Coliseum. There were over 12,000 people with at least 2,000 turned away. Tune in Sunday morning at 8:30 for WOW's Chapel Service.

we listened to Bruce Russell, agricultural chairman for the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, speak this week.

Bruce unrolled a story of facts and figures that brings home the modernization of farming practices. He started by saying that in 1850, animals contributed 79 per cent of the farm labor energy . . . humans 15 per cent. But this year . . . farm machines will do 92 per cent of the farm work.

Bruce points to Illinois figures which show that in 1920, just 30

#### **Happy Holiday** For the Shut-ins

KNOCK . . . KNOCK! MAY I COME IN?

Hi, Neighbors. When November comes along with frost upon the pumpkin and the corn all picked it is high time to "talk turkey," as 'tis said. I believe all of our shut-

ins are getting the News Tower so my letter will explain about our Christmas activities this year.

The former plan for the holidavs was far too strenuous so I had to find a way to make our people happy without putting myself on the shelf and I think



Aunt Sally

everyone will have a happy time. If every old and new friend in radio-land will send for the name of a shut-in the name will be sent to you, in order, from the list giving age and birth date, but it will not be possible for me to reply giving information other than the name for the incidental correspondence would be too heavy for me to handle.

Quite a few requests have come in for names and I hope you will not put off this extra package until you become chin deep in the holiday rush and then forget the shut-in. May I suggest that you send for your name and get the shut-in's package ready and wrapped before

you start in on your personal list? There are now 90 members on our list. When all the shut-ins have been adopted for a gift I will start over at the first of the list and hope every one will receive two or more packages and plenty of pretty cards.

If you have never added a name to your Christmas list, try it this year for you will be happier know-ing you have helped someone else be happy too.

You know I visit your house every Saturday at 8 and for a half hour on Sunday morning at 7. Gene and I are making lots of new and wonderful friends at that time.

Well, 'bye for now. YOUR AUNT SALLY.

years ago . . . it took 32 minutes to produce a bushel of corn. This year, about six minutes.

But with this increased efficiency farmers are facing some worrisome days ahead as this nation builds its military machine. And these are the things we think farmers should watch for: (1) Get ready to do with less labor, (2) Plan for shortages of commercial fertilizer and chemicals, (3) Expect to pay more taxes, (4) Take good care of your machinery . . . there may be less of it in 1951.

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## **RADIO WOW'S FALL-WINTER DAYTIME SCHEDULE**

5:30 A. MFive-Thirty Call-Early morning music to help you start
the day right
5:40 A. MSlim Everhart-Carter's Little Liver Pills
5:55 A. MWeather Report-Get your advance information
6:00 A. MSunrise News Tower-All the latest happenings in detailDaily ex. Sun.
6:15 A. M.—Welcome to the West—Slim Everhart singsDaily ex. Sun.
6:30 A. M.—WOW Farm Service Reporter—Mal Hansen brings lat- est farm and market news, interviews, agricultural
reports and regional news for Pioneer Hybred Seed
Corn and Walnut Grove Mineral Products
Sunday Serenade—Mood music
7:00 A. M.—Network News—Alex Dreier for Skelly Oil
Sunday with Sally—Don't miss Aunt Sally
7.15 A M — Breakfast Bandstand—Gene Edwards with recorded mu-
sic you'll like
7:30 A. M.—WOW New Tower—Merrill Workhoven
7:45 A. M.—Morning Merry-Go-Round—Lively music
8.00 A. M. Breakfast Club-Don McNeil and Co. for General Mills. Mon. thru Fri.
Aunt Sally—Her program helps to brighten many lives
8:15 A. MJohn Carson Show-Johnny's early morning show
8:30 A. MJohn Carson Show-A half-hour of music and fun
Chapel Service—Dr. R. R. BrownSun. 8:45 A. M.—Elaine Jabenis Scrapbook—Crestwood ShopsSat.
9:00 A. M.—Welcome Travelers—Tommy Bartlett with a great showMon. thru Fri.
Mind Your MannersSat.
9:30 A. MDouble or Nothing-The popular quiz show with Walter
9:30 A. M. — Double of Round and Campbells Soup
Art of LivingSun.
9:45 A. M.—From the Master's PenSun.
10.00 A. M. Martha's Cuphoard-Hear Martha Bohlsen, the Mid-
west's leading homemaker
10:15 A. M.—U. S. Navy Show—Stirring musicSun.
10.20 A M Look Berch Show—Jack sings songs in a style you'll
always enjoy—Prudential Insurance Co
Smilin' Ed McConnell—Brown Shoes
U. N. Is My BeatSun. 10:45 A. M.—David Harum—Babo presents this showMon. thru Fri.
Solitaire Time—Another Campana presentation
11.00 A M. Ling Like a Millionaire Vou'll enjoy hearing the con-
Homemakers Club of the Air-Omaha Public Power
sponsors Marion MacDonald with household hints
American Forum of the AirSun.
11:30 A. MWe Love and Learn-Manhattan Soap
Music in Three-Quarter TimeSat. Eternal LightSun.

11:45 A. M.—Your Melody Time—Late morning melodies
Treasury Salute
news coverage with all of the latest national, interna-
tional farm and market and local news
WOW News Tower—A complete 15 minute news coverageSun.
12:15 P. M.—Great Stories About Corn—Everett Mitchell and Funk's G. Hybred Seed Corn bring you this showSun.
12.30 P M -WOW Calling A happy halt hour of real entertain-
ment for Folger's Coffee and Nutrena
Your University Speaks—University of NebraskaSun. 12:45 P. M.—The Music Room—Schmoller & MuellerSun.
1.00 P M — Double or Nothing—With genial master-of-ceremonies
Walter O'Keefe for Campbell's Soup
National Farm and Home Hour—One of the nation's
top agricultural programs—Allis Chalmers
1:30 P. M.—Ma Perkins—Oxydol's long time favorite
Voices and Events
II. S. Army Band. S. Sat.
1:45 P. M.—Judy and Jane—Folger's CoffeeMon. thru Fri. Football—All nine University of Nebraska games plus
hig NRC games Sat.
2:00 P. M. I. ife Can Be Beautiful-P. & G. Soap
Football with Tip Saggau except NBC games
Dimension X
2:30 P. M.—Pepper Young's Family—You'll like them—P. & G Mon. thru Fri.
Ouiz Kids—Miles Laboratories presents these vouthful
mental giants in an entertaining show
2:45 P. M.—Right to Happiness—Everyone's right—P. & G
3:00 P. M.—Backstage Wife—Sterling Products
3:15 P. M.—Stella Dallas—A moving story—Sterling ProductsMon. thru Fri. Easy ListeningSun.
3.30 P. M. I. orenzo, Jones Presented by Dreft
WOW News Tower—Hubinger Liquid StarchSun. 3:45 P. M.—Young Widder Brown—Sterling ProductsMon. thru Fri.
World's Best Seller-Nebraska Savings & LoanSun.
4.00 P. M. When a Girl Marries-General Foods
Dangerous Assignment—Starring Brian DonlevySun.
4:15 P. M.—Portia Faces Life—General Foods
4:30 P. M.—Just Plain Bill—AnacinMon. thru Fri.
Music in the Morgan MannerSat. Charlie Wild, Private Eye—WildrootSun.
4:45 P. M.—Front Page Farrell—Whitehall PharmicalMon. thru Fri.
5.00 P. M Guiding Light-Sponsored by Duz Mon. thru Fri.
"The Big Show"—One and a half hours of the best in
"The Big Show"—One and a half hours of the best in radio with Cantor, Hope, Allen, Marx, Durante, ComoSun.
5.15 D. M. Jean Back 'n' Listen Mon. thru Pri.
Football Scoreboard—John Opitz ChevroletSat.

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<u>5,0</u>	00 Watts	WOW	'S FALL W	VINTER N	IGHT SCI	IEDULE	590 Kc.
TIME	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5 ªº	THE BIG SHOW A full hour and a half of	4-BELL NEWS TOWER All the News	4-BELL NEWS TOWER All the News	4-BELL NEWS TOWER All the News	4-BELL NEWS TOWER All the News	4-BELL NEWS TOWER All the News	4-BELL NEWS TOWER All the News
55	the nation's brightest stars- Allen, Durante, Hope, Cantor, Bankhead, Marr	SPORTS NEWS Falstaff Beer	SPORTS NEWS McFayden Ford	SPORTS NEWS Falstaff Beer	SPORTS NEWS McFayden Ford	SPORTS NEWS Falstaff Beer	SPORTS NEWS McFayden Ford
6	Brice, Wilson, Shore, Daley, MacRae, Como-every week different	590 MELODY LANE recordings with Gene Edward	FALSTAFF SERENADE music for Falstaff	590 MELODY LANE recordings with Gene Edward	FALSTAFF SERENADE music for Falstaff	590 MELODY LANE recordings with Gene Edward	PUBLIC SERVICE PRESENTATION
15			MUSIC BY MARTIN Need we say more?		MUSIC BY MARTIN Need we say more?		MUSIC BY MARTIN Need we say more?
6 <sup>30</sup>	THE PHIL HARRIS- ALICE FAYE SHOW A real treat in	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	ALBUM TIME—Recorded music you're sure to enjoy
45	comedy and music	ONE MAN'S FAMILY Tabicin	ONE MAN'S FAMILY Tabein	ONE MAN'S FAMILY Tabcin	ONE MAN'S FAMILY Tabacin	ONE MAN'S FAMILY Tabcin	
7 °°	TALES OF THE TEXAS RANGERS Joel McCrea stars in authentic stories	THE RAILROAD HOUR With Gordon McRae and Norman Luboff's Orchestra	CAVALCADE OF AMERICA Famous stars in equally famous plays for DuPont	THE HALLS OF IVY Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Coleman in stories of college life	THE ALDRICH FAMILY Family comedy starring Ezra Stone as Henry General Foods	NERO WOLFE Sidney Greenstreet stars as the famous detective	CASS DALEY SHOW Cass has laughs for the whole family
<b>7</b> 30	THEATRE GUILD ON THE AIR U. S. Steel presents the theatre's best plays and	VOICE OF FIRESTONE Guest stars with Howard Barlow's Orchestra and Chorus	BABY SNOOKS SHOW Fannie Brice and Hanley Stafford with comedy for Tums	THE GREAT GILDERSLEEVE Family comedy as "Gildy" blusters through life	FATHER KNOWS BEST Robert Young has his hands full as "Father" General Foods	MAN CALLED X Herbert Marshall is the man of mystery and enemy of crime	HEDDA HOPPER This famous Hollywood reporter presents a half-hour of filmland's latest news
8	nation's best actors for a full hour every Sunday night	TELEPHONE HOUR Donald Voorhes with Bell Symphonic Orchestra and guest singers	THE BOB HOPE SHOW Chesterfield brings you this favorite comic	YOU BET YOUR LIFE Grocho Marx is at his witty best with contestants	DRAGNET Stories based on cases from L. A. police files Fatima Cigarettes	NIGHT BEAT Reporter Randy Stone finds many interesting things on his beat	YOUR HIT PARADE Hear the top tunes of the week Lucky Strike Cigarettes
8 ªo	AMERICAN ALBUM OF FAMILIAR MUSIC The nation's all-time favorite tunes—Bayer Aspirin	CITIES SERVICE BAND OF AMERICA Directed by Paul Lavalle with the Male Quartette	FIBBER McGEE AND MOLLY Pet Milk takes you to 79 Wistful Vista for laughs	MR. DISTRICT ATTORNEY Crime doesn't pay with the D.A. at hand—Bristol-Myers	FIRST PIANO QUAR- TETTE—Adam Garner, George Robert, Frank Mittler and Ed Edson	DAVID HARDING COUNTERSPY hear this famous organization protect our nation's secrets	A DAY IN THE LIFE OF DENNIS DAY Music and fun for Colgate
9 °°	\$64 QUESTION Jack Par emcees this interesting quiz program for RCA	NBC SYMPHONY Climaxing an evening of the best in music This great musical organi-	BIG TOWN Stories of a crusading newspaper editor Lifebouy Soap	THE BIG STORY Tales of exciting stories by the newsmen who covered them—Pall Malls	NBC THEATRE Lovers of the theatre won't want to miss	LIFE OF RILEY Family comedy for Pabst Blue Ribbon Beer	THE JUDY CANOVA SHOW Fun with Judy and her friends for Colgate
9 <sup>30</sup> 45	MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS Peggy Ann Garner stars in this family situation comedy	Arturo Toscanini	PEOPLE ARE FUNNY Art Linkletter arranges hilarious situations Raleigh Cigarettes	RICHARD DIAMOND— PRIVATE DETECTIVE Dick Powell stars as a top-notch sleuth—Rexall	hearing the famous plays to be presented on this star-studded program	SPORTS NEWSREEL ON THE AIR with Bill Stern 9:45—UNITED NATIONS	GRAND OLE OPRY Red Foley and Gang with homespun humor for Prince Albert
0 00	WOW NEWS TOWER All the News	WOW NEWS TOWER All the News	WOW NEWS TOWER All the News	WOW NEWS TOWER All the News	WOW NEWS TOWER All the News	WOW NEWS TOWER All the News	WOW NEWS TOWER All the News
15	BEHIND HEADLINES with John T. Flynn	SPORTS—TIP SAGGAU Nebraska Clothing	SPORTS—TIP SAGGAU Nebraska Clothing	SPORTS—TIP SAGGAU Nebraska Clothing	SPORTS—TIP SAGGAU Nebraska Clothing	SPORTS—TIP SAGGAU Nebraska Clothing	SPORTS-TIP SAGGAU Nebraska Clothing
0 30		DIAL DAVE GARROWAY Dial Soap		DIAL DAVE GARROWAY Dial Soap		DIAL DAVE GARROWAY Dial Soap	HOTEL ROOSEVELT ORCH. Music for dancing
45	in this new time spot	NOCTURNE Mood Music	NOCTURNE Mood Music	NOCTURNE Mood Music	NOCTURNE Mood Music	NOCTURNE Mood Music	WILD LIFE ROUNDUP For the outdoorsman
11 **	NEWS SUMMARY	NEWS SUMMARY	NEWS SUMMARY	NEWS SUMMARY	NEWS SUMMARY	NEWS SUMMARY	NEWS SUMMARY
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# WOW News Sets New Record High in Legion Auxiliary Deograms Lucky Henry ...

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#### Harold Baker

leased for the first three-quarters of 1950.

In spite of the fact that WOW's top-rated news broadcasts carried the tremendous total of 21,255 local and regional stories during the first three-quarters of 1949, the same period this year saw an increase of 6,117 local and regional stories to bring the grand total to a spectacu-lar 27,372.

WOW's top notch news staff is aware of the importance placed on local and regional news by WOW-Land listeners. Without in any way neglecting the always important na-tional and international news items News Director Harold Baker and his staff of news experts are con-tinually striving to bring WOW's listeners everything of interest in a local and regional nature. That they have been eminently successful has been proven by the statistics just released and even more positively by the ever increasing audi-ence enjoyed by WOW news broadcasts.

A grand total of 58,519 stories of all types were carried on WOW news broadcasts through September of this year. This is an increase of 1,930 over last year.

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Judy Canova (WOW, 9 p.m., Saturdays) says she has a photo-graphic memory. "My brain is just like a negative—all it needs is developing.

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The certificates of award were presented at the organization's an-nual convention in Los Angeles last month.

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#### **Poor Norma**—All That **Practice Gone to Waste**

Norma Jean Nilsson, who plays Kathy in NBC's "Father Knows Best" (WOW, 7:30 p.m., Thursdays), got a chance to brush up on her ukulele playing during a recent rehearsal for the family comedy program. The program being rehearsed contained two interludes in which the Anderson children drove their father (played by Robert Young) to the point of distraction by playing "Polly Wolly Doodle" on the uke.

Norma Jean brought in her uke for the rehearsal and strummed happily away with all the ease of a Hawaiian princess. However, came time for the broadcast, Norma had to lay down her uke and give the job to a professional musician. Reason: actress Norma Jean doesn't belong to the right union.

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#### Mr. Sports...



"This is Bill Stern . . . " Sports lovers all over America know that those words are an introduction to a top sports event or story. Hear him on the Colgate "Sports Newsreel on the Air," Fridays at 9:30 p.m. on WOW.



Lovely Jean Gillespie plays Kathleen. girl friend of busy bumbling Henry bimself on "The Aldrich Family." The General Foods sponsored show is heard on WOW at 7 p.m. on Thursdays.

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#### Fibber Said it, But Can You—Out Loud?

That famed See-lebrity, Fibber McGee, of Pet Milk's "Fibber Mc-Gee and Molly" has come up with o an idea for winter planting. Let Fibber tell it:

NEA "I had a great idea recently for growing seaweed on land and sprinkling it with salt water. I DATE figured that weeds are so full of seed that seaweed seed—being fuller of weed seeds than plain weeds, oughta succeed where plain weed seed would recede. Well, sir, we divided the yard up between weeds EXPIRATION and seaweeds-and, not being by the seaside, we hadda decide which side we'd seed with weed seeds, and which side we'd seed with seaweed seed—see? We decided to sow the south side with seaweed seed, and we thought the west side was the best side to re-seed with weed seed. Because the weed seed we'd seen was the seaweed seed. So, between was the seaweed seed. So, between sowing and seeding and seeing the weed seed recede in front of the seaweed, we tore the whole thing up and planted tulips!"

You can hear Fibber and Molly every Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. on WOW.

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Digger O'Dell on WOW's "The Life of Riley" 9 p.m., Fridays) says: "My oldest boy, Clay, is working for me. I'm teaching him self reliance. I bring in the orders and he carries them out."

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#### Frank P. Fogarty Named WOW General Manager

Frank P. Fogarty, prominent Omaha business and civic leader, has been named General Manager of Radio Station WOW, Inc., by the corporation's Board of Directors. The announcement of Mr. Fo-garty's appointment was made by Francis P. Matthews, President of Radio Station WOW, Inc. At the same time Mr. Matthews announced that Lyle DeMoss has been named Assistant General Man-ager. Mr. DeMoss has been Acting General Manager since the death of John J. Gillin, Jr., last month. John J. Gillin, Jr., last month.

Mr. Fogarty, a native of Omaha and close personal friend of the late Mr. Gillin, resigned his post as vice president of the Paxton & Gallagher Co. to become WOW's new Gen-eral Manager.

Mr. Fogarty received his early education in Omaha schools, and at-tended Creighton University where he was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree.

Shortly after his graduation he was named director of public re-lations and alumni activities for Creighton. He left this post to ac-cept the position of manager of the convention and publicity bureau of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce.

A few years later he was named general manager of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce and in this position broadened his circle of business acquaintances and friends throughout the country.

In 1944 Mr. Fogarty left the Chamber to accept the position of vice president of the Paxton & Gallagher Co., one of the midwest's leading wholesalers and a pioneer Omaha concern.

Mr. Fogarty is well known for the great deal of time which he devotes to civic and charitable activities.

tivities. One of the most recent and note-worthy of these activities was the highly successful "Lights On" can-cer fund campaign which was car-ried on under Mr. Fogarty's direc-tion. This well organized and highly intensified effort collected more money in one evening than any such previous campaign had done over a period of weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Fogarty have three children, two boys and a girl. The family lives at 4914 Webster Street in Omaha.

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September is going to bring to WOW-Land one of the most pow-erful lineups of really important events to occur in any given month in the history of the station. To better understand what we mean you would have to take a look at our complete September calendar.

However, in order that you can get some idea of the schedule of September happenings, let's have a brief look at a partial list of the big events slated for the big WOW

brief look at a partial list of the big events slated for the big WOW family during September. September 6 — September's share of the big fall line-up of returning NBC and WOW favorites begins with the return of "The Great Gil-dersleeve" (see pages 4 and 5). September 5 — "WOW Calling" adds the second of its new sponsors, and a timely addition it is as the program celebrates its third birth-day during the first week in Sep-tember (see page 2). September 30 — Tip Saggau and the Cudahy Packing Co. bring you the first of their fall season presen-tation of ALL of the University of Nebraska football games in both radio and television (see below). September 30—Completion of the micro-wave relay system giving WOW-TV viewers the best in video entertainment AS IT HAPPENS (see TV section).

## **Cudahy to Sponsor Football**



Tip Saggau gets a briefing in the loca-tion of Cudahy's 13 plants from F. W. Hoffman, president of the Cudahy Packing Co. Packing Co.

The Cudahy Packing Co. is throw-throwing a big "we're glad to be back" party for WOW and WOW-TV listeners and viewers beginning September 30.

The party will be held in weekly phases. Tip Saggau will be master of ceremonies and the University of Nebraska football team and its ponents will supply the entertainment.

The best thing about this party is that you won't have to be dressed

is that you won't have to be dressed up or even leave the comfort of your own home to attend. Yes, the Cudahy Packing Co., founded in Omaha in 1890. has moved its headquarters back to Omaha and the heart of the mid-west after nearly a 40-year absence. The move coincides with the com-pany's 60th anniversary. The Cudahy people are really and sincerely glad to have their head-quarters back in this area. In order to have the folks in this region help them celebrate they are sponsoring

them celebrate they are sponsoring (Continued on page 2)



DISCUSSION—Theodore Granik regularly taps the nation's leading legislators and other public figures for his "American Forum of the Air" Sundays on WOW at 11 a.m. The program has been a radio feature for 22 years. Producer of this open-discussion series is Betty Penuel pictured above with Granik.

# Music, Drama and Comedy Take the Summer Spotlight

Music, comedy, drama, and a vari-ety of other types of programs share the summer spotlight on NBC and WOW.

WOW. On the music side of the ledger there is a whole evening of melody and song awaiting listeners every Mon-day night. At 7 o'clock, "The Railroad Hour" summer show train goes chug-ging back through the years for mu-sical hits of bygone days. "Voice of Firestone" at 7:30 offers the music of Howard Barlow and the orchestra plus a guest vocalist from opera or concert stage. "Telephone Hour" follows a similar format at 8 o'clock with the orchestra conducted by Donald Voor-

hees. At 8:30, Paul Lavalle directs the Cities Service "Band of America" in a program of spirited music. Comedy comes in several packages. Tuesday nights at 8 o'clock its Penny Singleton in her own show about a widow and her young family. Thurs-days feature the "Cass Daley Show" at 8 p.m., Blatz Beer's "Duffy's Tavern" at 8:30, and Sara Berner in a comedy whodunit, "Sara's Private Caper."

Drama with mystery and intrigue fills many a summer radio hour. Editor Steve Wilson and his reporter Lorelei Kilbourne track criminals on "Big Town" each Tuesday night at 9 for Lever Brothers Lever Brothers.



COMEDY—Ed Gardner plays "Archie" in the half - hour laugh riot "Duffy's Tavern" each Thursday at 8:30 p.m. Blatz Beer sponsors.

Wednesday is the big night of ad-venture. Wheaties offer "Dangerous Assignment" at 7; "The Falcon" solves a puzzle at 7:30; Bristol-Myers spon-sors the exciting "Mr. District At-torney" at 8:30. At 9 o'clock, "Big Story" dramatizes a true crime case for Pall Mall Cigarettes. Then at 9:30 Rexall Drug Company presents Dick Powell as "Richard Diamond, Private Detective."

The quiz type show is a favorite too. On Sunday nights it's "Take It or Leave It" at 9 with Eversharp's emcee Jack Paar. Tuesdays, quotemaster Bob Trout hurls quotes of the week at a panel of guest experts.

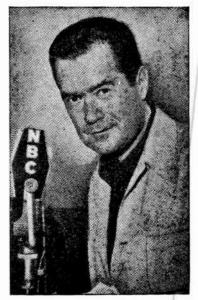


-Charles Boyer portrays ADVENTUREa gay rogue who usually falls in love with his intended victims. It's "Presenting, his intended victims. It's "I Charles Boyer" Tuesday nights.

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MUSIC—Lovely Paulena Carter is the young pianist whose nimble fingers dis-play keyboard artistry on Falstaff's "Mere-dith Willson Show."



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