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"DR. I. Q." IN GAY FOOD SHOW CAST! Chevrolet Offers \$\$\$\$ \$\$ PERSON G-GAGS! Comic R. Ates, "Toby and Susie" 27 Football

Rallies Two Nebraska Cornhusker football games will be described coast to coast on the NBC network and will be carried on station WOW in connection with 27 football rally programs sponsored by the Chevro-let Zone Dealers Association of Omaha.

On September 30, a season opener between Nebraska and the Univer-sity of Indiana is to be described by Bill Stern, famed NBC sports commentator.

On October 7 the Minnesota game at Lincoln will be described by Stern for WOW listeners.

The other three Nebraska home games—Baylor College, October 21; University of Kansas on November 11 and the University of Oklahoma on November 25—have also been definitely scheduled for WOW in connection with the Chevrolet rally program.

In addition to the five games al-ready mentioned, four other games will be carried via the NBC net-work. These games will be selected on the basis of interest to the listeners. Among them will, undoubtedly, be the Pittsburgh vs. Nebraska game, November 18.

The Chevrolet programs include 15-minute features preceding each game, between the halves and at the end of each game. These bits of football information are prepared by the WOW sports department.

NEW SERVICES

Inside news tips as revealed by the "Washington Merry-Go-Round" and Eleanor Roosevelt's "My Day" will be available to WOW listeners on regular WOW newscasts. WOW has purchased the rights in Omaha for both of these world-famous fea-tures in order that its newscasts may have the "inside track" on important news developments.

CAPTAIN MIDNIGHT

Thousands of WOW boy and girl listeners greeted with complete ap-proval the return to the air of "Cap-tain Midnight," the Skelly Oil Com-pany's thrilling aviation serial story. Last year this program enrolled nearly a million young people in the "Captain Midnight Flight Patrol." Boys and girls interested in joining the patrol should listen to the prothe patrol should listen to the pro-gram every afternoon, Mondays through Fridays, at 5:30.



"Dr. I. Q." (Lew Valentine) will pass out the above stack of silver dollars when he does his "Mental Banker" quiz show October 12 at the Omaha Food Show! \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ Galore!

Rudy Vallee calls Rosco Ates, stuttering film comic, one of the funniest men in the world! You'll agree when you see him in person at the Omaha Food Show, October 9, 10 and 11.



Barbara Ray Lyle De Moss

"Susie"

Corn Palace Barbara Ray is the lovely songstress and stooge for Rosco Ates. Lyle De Moss will direct the Food Show entertainment and be master of ceremonies. "Toby and Susie" will appear every night with a stage act replete with laughs at the Omaha Food Show.



WOW listeners will have the rare privilege of seeing "in person" sev-eral of the great stars of radio, stage and screen at Omaha's 1939 Food Show during the week beginning October 9 at the Omaha City Audi-

- October 9 at the Omaha City Auditorium. The star list includes:
 (1) "Dr. I. Q.," whose Red network quiz program for Milky Way Candy Bars is one of the outstanding shows on the air.
 (2) Rosco Ates, stuttering comedian of the movies, and his glamorous singing star partner and stooge. Barbara Ray.
- glamorous singing star partner and stooge, Barbara Ray. "Toby and Susie," those lov-able stars of "Corntussle News," which is heard on WOW at 11 a. m., Mondays through Fridays, by courtesy of the P. F. Petersen Baking Company (3)
- of the P. F. Petersen Baking Company. The 1940 (entirely new) edi-tion of the WOW Good Will Follies," with a cast of 40 peo-ple, headed by Lyle De Moss, WOW's production manager. An all-electrical cooking school each afternoon, Tuesday through Saturday, starting at 2 p. m., conducted by Martha Bohlsen director of the WOW (4)
- (5) Bohlsen, director of the WOW Homemakers' Club and spon-sored by the Nebraska Power Company. (See page 7 for cocking school details and prize list.) The Food Show, sponsored by the Omaha Retail Grocers' Asso-ciation, opens its doors at 7 p. m., Monday, October 9, and continues through Saturday, October 14. For the second successive year, WOW has been chosen as the offi-cial promotion medium for the Food Show and is in charge of arranging Bohlsen, director of the WOW

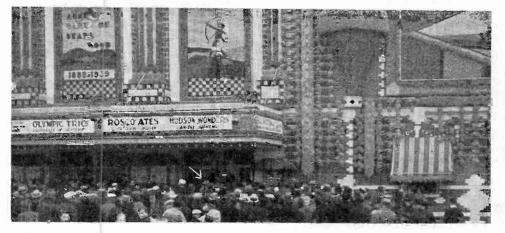
Show and is in charge of arranging

and providing entertainment. "I can safely say that the 1939 Food Show will be the biggest and best in its 34 years' his-tory," said Elmer Gross, president of the Grocers' Association and general chairman of the

and general chairman of the Food Show. "Dr. I. Q.," who in real life is Lew Valentine, will conduct his program exactly like his regular Monday night network show, giving away the same large amounts of silver dollars and the same number of boxes of Mars candies on Thursday night, October 12, only. Funnyman Rosco Ates, who has

Funnyman Rosco Ates, who has appeared many times as a guest star on Rudy Vallee's program from coast to coast and who played impor-tant roles in "Untamed" and "Gone With the Wind" motion picture productions, will headline the show on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights. The admission price for the show

will be only 25 cents after 7 p. m. Baskets of groceries and samples galore will be given away



Three hundred miles from Omaha and near-blizzard weather, but even that didn't stop several thousand South Dakota listeners from coming to see the "Man on the Street" broadcast at the World's Only Corn Palace at Mitchell. Arrow points to where Foster May is conducting his broadcast. The murals are in corn.



"Toby"

Two hundred Omaha grocers attended a recent Food Show pep rally, the speakers' table of which is shown above. Right to left are John Gillin, Jr., general manager of WOW; President Elmer Gross, Secretary Louis Kavan, Mars, Inc., Representatives Dunnick and Danielson, Promotion Manager H. O. Peterson of WOW.

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RADIO NEWS TOWER

STARS OF THREE NEW WOW SHOWS

October 1, 1939

New Story Hour is Favorite of Children

Omaha, county and parochial school leaders are unanimous in their approval of a new WOW fea-ture called "The Magic Story Cirture called "The Magic Story Cir-cle," a program for little tots, on the air at 11:45, Saturday mornings, and at 8:45 on Sunday mornings, and featuring Harriett Harris. In this series Miss Harris narrates and dramatizes such familiar classics as Cinderella, Jack and the Bean-stak, The Three Bears, and many others others.

Miss Harris was formerly an actress in the network show, "The Grouch Club," and gained an enviable reputation in Hollywood. Upon her return to Omaha from Holly-wood, Miss Harris joined the WOW staff.

Dr. Homer W. Anderson, super-intendent of Omaha public schools; Rev. J. H. Ostdiek, diocesan superintendent of Catholic schools; Henry M. Eaton, Douglas County superin-tendent, and many other educators, have placed their unqualified stamp of approval on this new series for children.

Honor Creator of

Chimes Comedy Idea Believing that it's better to toss roses while the recipient can still smell the flowers, NBC has pre-sented a set of chimes to Carroll Carroll, the bright script writer who thought up the idea of using the chimes for comedy relief on Bing Crosby's Kraft show. At the hand of Don Gilman, NBC vice president, Carroll was presented with a set of charge in a set of chronium-plated gongs, engraved with the inscription: To Carroll Carroll, the Ding-Dong Daddy of KMH, from the National Broad-casting Company.



Harriett Harris of Hollywood and Omaha, who conducts the new chil-dren's story program known as "The Magic Circle Story" on WOW.

Peterson Teaches at Municipal University

Jayne Walton, popular songstress with the WOW Studio Orchestra, has accepted an engagement with Lawrence Welk and his orchestra as soloist and to assist in making records. Welk was especially impressed with Miss Walton's popular tunes in Spanish. Jayne spent her childhood in San Antonio and speaks Spanish almost as well as English.

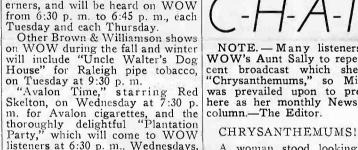


Beautiful and charming is Louise Massey, who will star in "The Big Ben Twilight Trail," one of the four Brown & Williamson shows which WOW listeners will hear this fall and winter. -wow-

'BIG BEN TRAIL' IS B. & W. FEATURE

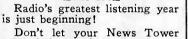
The "Big Ben Twilight Trail" is the title of a new Brown & Williamson Tobacco Company show, broadcast for Big Ben tobacco. It will feature the charming and ever pop-ular Louise Massey and The West-erners, and will be heard on WOW

listeners at 6:30 p. m., Wednesdays, under the sponsorship of Bugler



cigarette tobacco.





subscription expire! A card, letter or phone call to WOW, and your expiration date will be given to you immediately.



"Washington, "September 6, 1939. "My Dear Mr. Brown: "Your telegram of September 3rd has been received and will be brought to the attention of the presi-dent. You may be sure he will approve and subscribes to the policy on war tional Association of Broadcasters, according to John J. Gillin, Jr., gen-eral manager of WOW. He recently returned from a Chicago meeting of the NAP broadcasts, as set forth by the Na-tional Association of Broadcasters, according to John J. Gillin, Jr., gen-eral manager of WOW. He recently returned from a Chicago meeting of the NA-the NA-tional Association of Broadcasters, according to John J. Gillin, Jr., gen-eral manager of WOW. He recently through an aisle banked in golden through an aisle banked in golden the NA-the Woman's head droops slightly as she looks through the window and recalls another fall day when the world was again ablaze with color. Red leaves turned to the sun, walking beside the tail groom by De Emmett Bradshaw, president of the Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society.



This is Nan Grey, star of Stand-ard Brands' new WOW program, "Those We Love."

BOARDING HOUSE

Pivotal figures in the drama that revoles around the 70-year-old revoles a round the 70-year-old boarding house keeper in the ex-citing radio story," Meet Miss Julia," heard on WOW daily, Mondays through Fridays, are Doctor Jim (actor Alan Bunce), Margaret (Norma Chambers), Betty Carter (Lillian Greene), and Miss Julia Martin brilliant character actress Martin, brilliant character actress, Josephine Hull.

They tell the story of the very human and exciting adventures of the paying guests in the home of Miss Julia Martin in New York. The program may be heard Mondays through Fridays over station WOW from 5 p. m. to 5:15 p. m.

A woman stood looking into a

a passer-by ad-

miring the artis-

tic arrangement

of plants and cut flowers.

That florist

Two New Shows by Standard Brands

Two very interesting new programs and the continuance of two already popular WOW favorites will be the contribution of Standard Brands, Inc., to the radio pleasures of WOW's listeners during the fall and winter.

One of the new shows is called "I Love a Mystery"—a thrilling se-rial story to be heard at 6:15 p. m., Mondays through Fridays, under the sponsorship of Fleischmann's High Vitamin Yeast. It is a story of romance and adventure aboard a sea-going power boat called the "Blue Phantom."

Another new Standard Brands Another new Standard Brands show for Royal Desserts will be heard on Thursdays at 7:30 p. m., and is called "Those We Love." It stars Nan Grey. This program is already nationally famous and pop-ular, but will be new to WOW listeners. listeners.

The third Standard Brand show for Tenderleaf Tea is the popular "One Man's Family," which will be heard on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

HUMAN AVIARY

Have you an aviary in your home? Well, Horace Heidt has one in his Tums "Pot of Gold" cast— all in the person of Fred Lowery, the blind whistler. Lowery, who made an extensive study of bird life in his native Texas, can whistle the songs of more than 20 birds. All Fred needs is to hear a bird once and he can promptly give an authenand he can promptly give an authentic rendition of that bird's song. Besides being able to imitate our little feathered friends, he can do a convincing vocal impersonation of a woodchuck-or a dog-and-cat fight!



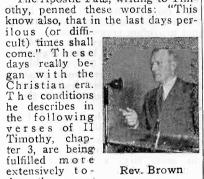
NOTE. - Many listeners asked | eyes, as if they were reeled off by WOW's Aunt Sally to repeat a re- a moving picture machine.

"Chrysanthemums," so Miss Dee was prevailed upon to present it here as her monthly News Tower red, gold and russet shades. The sun is warm and soft winds seemed to be gently rocking cradles in all the trees, the birds were singing lullabys, and upon the 29th October day there came a little stranger to live in this house where love reigned. Such a tiny creature in a bassinette of pink silk and lace, cooing under a bouquet of chrysantemums. Their golden heads seemed to be nodding in approval of the wee blond stranger who opened two large blue eyes to stare in wonder at the new world.

It was the year of 1917. The world was at war . . . and who could tell? Perhaps this blessed bundle of humanity, weighing three and threequarter pounds, brought the mes-sage from heaven, "Peace be on the earth

All through the years, upon the dates of October 1st, 25th and the 29th, three chrysanthemums held their heads high in that home to tell the world of the love of daddy and mummie and baby. The woman's head droops slightly

yellow pumpkins grinned on dried vines and chrysanthemums bloomed again when the daddy in that little house slipped suddenly away. So long as time shall pass, three chrysanthemums stand in that little home on those memory days in October. The woman standing by the window today looks again in the hearts of those beloved flowers and adds another day to treasure, another day for memory's picture. One more glorious October blossom, another



Rev. R. R. Brown's Chat

By the Rev. R. R. Brown, D. D., Minister of Radio Station WOW, Pastor-Evangelist of Omaha Gospel Tabernacle, Christian and

Rev. Brown

day than ever before. This generation has come upon difficult times — unpredictable

days. Not only will the present war change the map of Europe, but it may change the destiny of the world. Once more priceless values are be-ing depreciated. Honor, honesty loyalty and the spirit of brotherhood have been ignored. The ugly mon-ster, "Force," has raised its head and asserted itself above reason and

conciliation. nerica must continue to be calm.

-Missionary Alliance-

"Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt, "President of the United States of

America, "White House, "Washington, D. C. "In the present world crisis we feel the present for Divine guidwith you the need for Divine guid-ance and spiritual sustenance. The world needs God. As minister of radio station WOW and the oldest radio congregation of America, and pastor of local congregation, we appeal to you, our chief executive, by proclamation to call the nation to united prayer. Read Hosea, chapter 10, verses 12 and 13. We assure you of our prayers and sympathetic sup port.

(Signed) "R. R. BROWN." The following communication was received in reply:

DON'T LET YOUR NEWS TOWER **EXPIRE**

patient and peaceful. The question is asked: "What will the church and the preachers do in this crisis?" Our work in any situation has been given to us. We are called to preach the Gospel—the good news of peace with God through Jesus Christ. Some declarations will of necessity have to be made and events interhave to be made, and events inter preted in the light of the best understanding we have of the program and plan of God in His revelation in His Holy Bible. But the pulpit must not become a dispenser of propaganda.

Next, the whole of Christendom should be brought to the place of humble submission to God and recognition of our need of Him. We should pray and seek the Lord "until He come and reign rightcousness upon us." A spiritual awakening would cleanse the hearts of men, restore the Spirit of Christ and raise life to a new level.

Your radio minister, under great many parts of the world.

preciate the interest which prompted you to wire him your suggestion as well as your prayers. "Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) "STEPHEN EARLY Secretary to the President.'

We would remind our listeners again that radio station WOW welcomes you to its studios and offices in the Insurance Building at 17th and Farnam Streets, and we shall be happy to have you visit our Taber-nacle studio chapel in the new buildng at 2006 Douglas Street. One of the most outstanding religious events of the year will be the Bible and Missionary Conference and Missionary Exposition, October 15 to 22. The conference will bring many noted speakers, including preachers and missionaries to Omaha. There will be an extensive disclar of missionary exhibits from display of missionary exhibits from and support this declared public

The resolution:

"Whereas, The declared public policy of the United States of Amerca toward the current European war is one of strict neutrality; and

"Whereas, In this emergency the members of the National Associa-tion of Broadcasters desire to conribute their full cooperation, through self-regulation, to the support of this declared public policy; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the members of the National Association of Broadcasters will exercise the greatest possible care in the use, preparation

and transmission of broadcasts deal ing with the war, to the end that their heads so proudly, as it to the these broadcasts will conform with these broadcasts will conform with these broadcasts will conform with these broadcasts before her and transmission of broadcasts deal-

the NAB, which was also attended that florist know that the woman fancied she could hear the strains of the organ as if it were on the other side of the window pane?

could not know that as the woman looked deep into

the flower hearts she saw an Octo-ber day . . . the first day of October . . . when boy meets girl and girl meets boy, and then on the 25th

Aunt Sally

Then memory brought to the window-picture the vision of the dear husband, upon every anniversary of the meeting and the wedding day, stepping joyously across the thresh-old of the little home with the symbols of their love . . . never forgetting.

If business happened to be flourishing, that husband carried a huge armful of those glorious chrysan-themums. If times were dull, perhaps he brought his loved one but two or three golden blossoms, with a smile no less tender ... never forgetting.

The house seemed to be aglow while those flowers lasted and held

window, pictures pass before her

chrysanthemum. What of this extra blossom? The additional memory day? Well, you see, I can't tell you the

rest of the story now, for the woman has turned from the window with a happy smile and she is soon lost

in the crowd. If I catch up to her I'll finish the story next month.

'Bye for now.

YOUR AUNT SALLY.

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lished is the story of radio's cover-age of World War II. Despite the airtight censorship, the



Bill Wiseman

conflict has been nothing less than a miracle. Most listeners, however, have ceased to won-

der at the miracles of radio. Most folks take radio as a mat-

Bill Wiseman ter of course. They are surprised, disappointed, pleased or indifferent as to the factual content of a radio news dispatch, but they never give a thought to the MEDIUM which brings that dispatch into their homes.

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THINGS YOU NEVER KNEW TILL NOW ...

NBC scored an historical scoop on the sinking of the Athenia. Scores of newspapers got their first inkling "via NBC radio," and ethical news-papers included NBC credit for the Athenia flash Athenia flash.

Athenia flash. All press associations—Associated Press, United Press, International News Service and others, gave their news to radio "as a public service." Germany ruled it is an act of trea-son (punishable by death) for Ger-mans to listen to foreign (English, French, American) broadcasts, but

mans to instea to reareign (Fingalsi, French, American) broadcasts, but in two weeks after war was declared NBC had received hundreds of re-quests for Benny Goodman's picture!

TAIN'T HAY! ... Networks announced that it costs \$18 a minute to bring broadcasts from across the Atlantic to Ameri-

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can listeners. The New York Times (one of the founders of the Associated Press) signed a contract to buy United

Press. "Time" magazine reports there are 10,000 news reporters covering the war, including 664 for Associ-ated Press, 500 for United Press and 7,750 working for foreign agencies.

One reason radio was so far ahead with the news was that censors took longer to read dispatches than they longer to read disparcnes than they did radio scripts. After two weeks of m is sing deadlines, newsmen squawked so loudly that the British added 100 more dispatch censors and opened the dispatch censorship bureau 24 hours a day.

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THEY'RE CAREFUL . .

Germany (according to "Time") does NOT censor dispatches. How-ever, any correspondent who incurs official displeasure may be banished from the country or the banished official displeasure may be balanced from the country, or may face trea-son or espionage charges. So the radio and news correspondents in Germany are just as careful as the boys on the other side Only one radio commentator has

been stopped by censors so far. This was AP's John Lløyd, speaking from Paris over NBC (and WOW). In the middle of his talks he an-nounced that air-raid warnings could

grim faces, somber thoughts, but the world's greatest comedians will success of radio as a news-gath-ering and dis-tributing agency during the first month of the conflict has been make YOU laugh EVERY NIGHT if you'll keep tuned to WOW. EVERY SUNDAY



Warcasts may be conductive to

Jack Benny McCarthy

Recommended with a dish of fruit Jello, a cup of Chase & San-born and an easy chair.

EVERY MONDAY



Tommy Riggs (Betty Lou)

The youngsters and oldsters alike will enjoy this feature, courtesy of Quaker Oats, Inc.

EVERY TUESDAY



Fibber McGee **Bob** Hope

It's double-feature, double-laugh night at your speaker! Pepsodent's Bob Hope follows Johnson's Wacky (waxy) "Fibber McGee and Molly."



Fred Allen 10. Hooray! Fred Allen's back!

fall-winter programs were added, times were switched, stars returned. Herewith is a list of changes (as of September 24), which is designed to aid listeners in getting "set" in their minds the regular fall-winter schedule of WOW.

NOTE WOW'S COMPLETE FALL-WINTER SCHEDULE—PAGE EIGHT

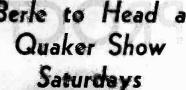
- 1. Fred Waring's quarter hour for Chesterfields will be heard
- from 6 p. m. to 6:15 p. m., Mondays through Fridays. "I Love a Mystery," a quarter hour dramatic feature, spon-2. sored by Fleischmann's Yeast, will be heard 6:15 p. m. to
 - 6:30 p. m., every Monday through Friday. "The Farmers' Forum" program, led by Sam Guard, will be heard every Monday from 6:30 p. m. to 7^kp. m. Spon-
 - sor, Drs. Hess & Clark, Inc. "Betty Lou" (Tommy Riggs) and the Quaker Oats Com-pany's "Variety Show" will be heard 7 p. m. to 7:30 p. m., Mondays.
- Alka-Seltzer presents Alec Templeton in a new variety show every Monday, 8:30 p. m. to 9 p. m. A transcribed quarter hour called "Big Ben" will be heard 5.
 - each Tuesday and Thursday, 6:30 p. m. to 6:45 p. m. Spon-sored by Big Ben Smoking Tobacco. Richard Himber and his Studebaker Champions will be heard Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 6:45 p. m. to
- 7. 7 p. m.
- "Pot of Gold," with Horace Heidt and his orchestra from Tums, will be heard every Tuesday, 7:30 p. m. to 8 p. m. Bob Hope and the "Pepsodent Variety Show" will be heard 9 9 p. m. to 9:30 p. m., Tuesdays.
- The "Plantation Party," sponsored by Brown & William-son's Bugler Cigarette Tobacco, will be heard Wednes-10. days, 6:30 p. m. to 7 p. m.
 - The "Hollywood Playhouse," with Herbert Marshall, for Woodbury Soap, will be heard Wednesdays, 7 p. m. to 7:30 p.m.
- "Avalon Time" (variety), for Avalon Cigarettes, will be heard 7:30 p. m. to 8 p. m., Wednesdays. Fred Allen's variety show, including the Merry Macs, will 12.
- return to the air from 8 p. m. to 9 p. m., Wednesdays. "One Man's Family," for Tenderleaf Tea, will be heard on Thursdays, 7 p. m. to 7:30 p. m. A new program, called "Those We Love," for Royal Des-14. 15.
 - serts, will be heard Thursdays, 7:30 p. m. to 8 p. m. George Jessel's "Celebrity Hour," for Vitalis, will be heard
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 - on Fridays, 8:30 p. m. to 9 p. m. "Death Valley Days," the Pacific Coast Borax Company's dramatic show, will be heard Saturdays, 8:30 p. m. to 9 p. m.
 - Alka-Seltzer's "National Barn Dance" will shift to 9:30 p. m. to 10:30 p. m., Saturdays. The General Electric "Hour of Charm" will be heard Sun-
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 - days, 9 p. m. to 9:30 p. m. Walter Winchel, for Jergens Lotion, will be heard Sun-days, 10 p. m. to 10:15 p. m. Irene Rich, for Welch's Grape Juice, will be heard at 10:15

p. m. to 10:30 p. m., Sundays.

MORNING AND AFTERNOON

- "The Pinex Merrymakers, 6:45 a, m. to 7 a. m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
- "Oshkosh Stay-Blue Denim-iters, 6:45 a. m. to 7 a. m., Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.
- "The Magic Story Circle, Harriett Harris, 11 :45 a. m., Sat-urdays, and 8:15 a. m., Sundays. "Smilin' Ed McConnell" for Acme Paints and Lin-x, Sat-3
 - urdays, 10:15 a.m.
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- Goodyear's "Country Neighbor," 12 noon, Mondays. "Solitude," poetry, philosophy, by John Dahl of Western Audiphone Co., Sundays, 12 noon. "Doorway to Music," Lyon & Healy, Sundays, 12:30 p. m. "Smoke Dreams," La Fendrich, 1 p. m., Sundays. Chicage Boundtable Discussion Sundays.

 - Chicago Roundtable Discussion, Sundays, 1:30 p. m. "Judy and Jane," Folger's Coffee, 1:45 p. m., Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays.
 - New WOW News period, 3:15 p. m., Sundays,





Funnyman Milton Merle, headliner in a new Quaker Oats Company program, which will be heard on WQW this fall and winter:

The Quaker Oats Company will bring WOW listeners two new shows and will resume the ever-popular Tommy Riggs and "Betty Lou" for this fall and winter. The new show will take the place of "Dick Tracy" and will be a rol-licking variety show, headed by comedian Milton Berle. Its regular time on the air will be Saturdays at 7:30 p. m.

7:30 p. m. Quaker Oats also announced the return of "Girl Alone;" one of the most popular daytime serial stories most popular daytime serial stories ever written. It stars Brunefte Betty Winkler and the cast also includes June Travis, Joan Winters, Henry Hunter and Pat Murphy. "Girl Alone" will be on the air Mondays through Fridays at 4 p.m. "The Adventures of Tommy and Betty Lou," recently resumed on the air, Monday nights at 7 o'clock, will include musical numbers by Freddy include musical numbers by Freddy Rich and each week a guest orchestra. The orchestras selected for Oc-tober to work with the new Berle show:

October 7—Joe Rines October 14—Emery Deutsch October 21—Ben Cutler October 28-Don Bestor



WOW's parent company, the Woodmen of the World-Life In-surance Society, will begin a mem-bership drive throughout the nation, October 1 with the slogan, "Protec-tion Plus Campaign," according to an anouncement today by De Em-mett Bradshaw, president. The pur-pose of the campaign will be to point out the advantages offered to Woodcraft members, and especially the advantages of Woodmen of the World life insurance. The Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society is the largest and strongest fraternal life insurance so-ciey in America, with assets of more

ciey in America, with assets of more than \$128,000,000. The society in-sures men from birth to the age of 60. It sponsors a youth organizas a youth organiza tion called "Boys of Woodcraft," which teaches thrift, loyalty to government, the purpose and uses of the American flag, and lessons in service, charity and honesty. President Bradshaw pointed out President Bradsnaw pointed out that numerous fine prizes will be awarded to present members who induce their friends to join the Woodmen of the World. Seymour camp No. 16 launched its part in the Protection Plus Camits part in the Protection Plus Campaign with a gala party in the Elks Club lodge room on September 27. Any WOW listener interested in Woodcraft is invited to write to ra-dio station WOW. Listeners are always welcome to visit WOW, on the second floor of the Insurance Building at 17th and Farnam Streets. Guides are provided.

be heard. Suddenly his address stopped. Paris was off the air for Guaranteed to give smile of beauty and Sal Hepatica's smile of health, plus beau coupe seven hours. tummy laughs!

Word has been received that the Procter & Gamble Co. will add still another show to WOW's schedules in mid-October, called "Against the Storm." It will be heard at 4:15 p. m., Mondays through Fridays for Locar score. For details of other Ivory soap. For details of other Procter & Gamble shows, see pages 4 and 5, this News Tower.

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Miss Laura York and Miss Adeline Gustafson, both of WOW's program department, underwent emergency appendicitis operations the last week in October, and Sally Dee (Aunt Sally) broke a rib on a theater chair arm. All are progress-ing nicely. Miss York is soon to become the bride of Gaylord Avery, WOW announcer.

EVERY THURSDAY

Fannie Brice **Bob Burns** Unbeatable as a listenin' night! "Baby Snooks" is good news, and the Krafty Bob Burns, plus Crosby, plus Carpenter, is a sure insurance

against thoughts that shouldn't be. | ning comedy!)

Fridays days. EVERY FRIDAY Always a million gags from Vitalis' Jessel. (See column 5 for details of Saturday eve-George Jessell

Horlick Malted Milk program, 3:30 p. m., Sundays. Enna Jettick Melodies, 4 p. m., Sundays. Colgate program, 4:45 p. m., Mondays, Thursdays and "Meet Miss Julia," Stanco, 5 p. m., Mondays through Fri-16. Skelly's "Captain Mid-night," 5:30 p. m., Mondays through Fridays, "Toby and Susie," for 17. Peter Pan Bread, by the P. F. Petersen Baking Co., Mondays through Fridays, 11 a. m. 18 Sundays, 3 p. m., a new show for "Dr. Pepper." Johnny Gart and his accordion.

Mrs. Lenora Gale of Omaha was one of the recent \$100 prize winners in a Procter & Gamble "Max Perkins" contest:

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RADIO NEWS TOWER

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PROCTER & GAMBLE PRESENTS FIFTY



Friends told her she was foolish to forsake the legitimate stage eight years ago for the new gadget then known as radio. But Anne Seymour ignored them. Now, as "Mary Marlin," she's tops in radio dramatics.

"The Story of Mary Marlin" is one of the miracles of radio.

It was started in March, 1937. Every survey taken since then has proven that it "clicked" with the housewife from the start, and, like a rolling snowball, has gathered up an ever-increasing audience.

an ever-increasing audience. Its author is Jane Cruisinberry, and its producer, Maurice Lowell. Its leading characters are Anne Seymour (as Mary Marlin) and Robert Griffin (as Joe Marlin). "Mary Marlin" is sponsored by Ivory Soap and Snow, and is heard on WOW at 2 p. m. every Mon-day through Friday. Anne Seymour who plays "Mary

Anne Seymour, who plays "Mary Marlin," was born under a dramatic star. Her mother was (and still is) "of the stage," and at the age of 12 Anne was attending dramatic schools. In 1932, after she had worked in 200 dramatic shows on WLW in Cincinnati, Miss Anne went to New York to the legitimate stage. A year later she accepted the leading role in "Grand Hotel," which program gave her her first big radio fame.

Miss Seymour is now recognized as the first lady of the radio drama in NBC's Chicago studios and one of the greatest actresses on the radio anywhere. She is five feet seven inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, is a brunette, with brown hair and brown eves.

SO HE CREATED "VIC AND SADE"

Paul Rhymer, a former Blooming-ton, Ill., boy, sits in the control room of Studio J in the National Broadcasting Company's Chicago headquarters as the cast of three persons goes through the lines of his script for the "Vic and Sade" skit of family life, one of the most popular of all daytime radio shows. Paul appears unconcerned. He just dropped in to see the show, as he does sometimes.

he does sometimes.

Perhaps he arrived a few minutes ahead of time. If so, probably he was at the piano in the studio run-ning over (and mutilating) one of his two or three favorite selections. Members of the cast don't think his piano artistry is so hot, but they can't do much about it. They have to put up with it, just as the breth-ren in Sigma Chi used to have to bear with him at Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington a few years ago.

Wrote Prize Story

Paul was a familiar figure at Wesleyan. That is, at the fraternity house and on the campus. Less familiar was he inside class rooms, the story goes, although now and then he would drop around to a class just to see how things were going. He did have an interest in literature. Paul had won a degree of prominence as a senior in high school by winning a medal offered by a local newspaper for short story writing. The medal came as a re-sult of several years of what he admits was earnest endeavor, beginning with the time in the sixth grade when he had a school essay printed in that same newspaper. When that essay, on the Blooming-ton appearance of the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra, was printed, Paul decided that he would concentrate on writing.

Writes for Fun

After winning the short story medal he continued writing in college and has been at it ever since. He likes to write just for the fun of it, although he would, he says, prefer to be out from under that continual pressure of having to turn out a new script five times a week. Paul was out of school in 1929. He went to Chicago and got a job in the continuity department of NBC, after having tried his hand for short periods at a variety of jobs. None of them paid him handsomely, however.

When he had been at NBC about three years, "Vic and Sade" were put on the air and have remained there. But it was pure accident that "Vic and Sade" ever happened to be writ-



Vic (Art Van Harvey), Sade (Bernardine Flynn) and Rush (Billy Ìdelson).

Paul Rhymer, creator and author of "Vic and Sade"-Crisco serial.

BUM PUN VIRUS

The "Knock, Knock" epidemic was mild compared to the newest virus that's bitten NBC studioites in Chicago. No one admits to having started it, but the dark glance of suspicion is on Mercedes Mc-Cambridge, witty colleen, who plays the role of Midge in "Midstream."

For it's no longer au fait to say "Good morning," "Hello" or "Hi, Toots!" Instead you find wits marching up to Announcer Louis Roen, say, with the salutation: Greetings, Roen! Where ya goin'? Announcer Bob Brown walks in to fall victim to: "Greetings, Brown! Back in town?" For the strong souls who can take it, we quote some of the sillies that have been floating about studio corridors: floating about studie corridors: "Greetings, (Pierre) Andre! Sent your laundry?" . . . Greetings, Rita (Ascot)! You look sweeta!" . . . "Greetings, (Lynn) Brandt! How's your aunt?" . . . "Greetings, Opal (Craven)! You're well, I hopell!" . . . "Greetings, (Sid) Ellstrom! Hope you're wellstrom!" . . . "Hi, Gladys (Heen)! You look saddes!" . . . "How are you, Charlie (Sears)? You're up arlie!" . . . "Hello (Paul) Rhymer! Got the timer?" . . . "Hi, (Charles) Lyon! Hope you're fi-yun!" . . . "Hi, Ransom (Sherman)! You look han'som!" . . . "Hi, Roy (Shields)! How's the boy?" . . . "Hi (Hal) Totten! You look rot-ten!" . . . Hi, Leslie (Woods)! You look your besley!"

ten. In fact, Paul tried to dodge writing the first script of what turned out to be "Vic and Sade." An NBC production manager dropped into the continuity depart-ment one Saturday and announced that he was to availing an import that he was to audition an impor-tant acting prospect Monday and would need a script of family life for the purpose. Paul slumped down in his chair behind a newspaper, but to no avail. He was assigned to

write that copy. "I was pretty tough at the in-justice of that assignment at the time," Paul said, "for it meant that I would have to come down on Sun-

day and work on it." Hard to Please He did work Sunday, however, mulled over this and that idea in his mind, and at length wrote some-thing — he hoped it would be all right. And it certainly was all right. right. And it certainly was all right. In fact, it was so good that Paul was asked to put out some more just like it. But the young writer was hard to please. He didn't even like that idea. Why, it would mean day after day, week after week and month on month of daily responsi-bility for a new script. He say that bility for a new script. He saw that coming. Perhaps then he didn't rea-lize it would run into year after year, now nearly five of them. He thought it over, parried the propo-sition and at last agreed.

Vic (Art Van Harvey) and Sade Vic (Art Van Harvey) and Sade (Bernardine Flynn), he says, are just names that occurred to him when he wrote that first script, as seeming to fit the characters. Rush (Billy Idelson), who entered the show a few months later, was the name of a youthful "boy friend" of the little girl who lived next door to Paul when Paul was in knee pants. Paul married Miss Mary Frances Murray, once yoted the work popu-

Murray, once voted the most popu-lar girl at Illinois Wesleyan, of which she is a graduate in the class of 1931, on July 31, 1933, in Chicago, about a year after "Vic and Sade" was launched.

P. & G. Serials On WOW Schedule

Time Program Sponsor 8:30 A. M.—The O'Neills..... Ivory 9:00 A. M.—The Man I Married... Oxydol 10:45 A. M.—Houseboat Hannah... Lava 2:00 P. M.—Mary Marlin... Ivory Flakes 2:15 P. M.—Ma Perkins..... Oxydol 2:30 P. M.—Pepper Young's Family. Camay 2:45 P. M.—Guiding Light..... Naptha 3:30 P. M.—Vic and Sade.... Crisco 3:45 P. M.—Micream..... Teel 4:15 P. M.—Against the Storm.... Ivory 4:30 P. M.—Kitty Keene....... Dreft Time 8:30 A. M.-9:00 A. M.-2:00 P. M.-2:15 P. M.-2:30 P. M.-2:45 P. M.-3:30 P. M.-3:45 P. M.-3:45 P. M.-

AN OLD MEANY Here's a gal who got her wish! June Meredith, veteran actress, al-ways has been cast in "roles of sweetness." Often she wishes to be an "ol" meany." Now she's hav-ing fun portraying the villainess, Nadra, in Procter & Gamble's "Kitty Keene."



Thousands of listeners will recall the role of "Rose Kransky" in the Procter & Gamble serial, "The Guiding Light." Above is "Rose." In private life, Ruth Bailey.

Irna Phillips, one of radio's most prolific writers, has proven that the average radio listener doesn't want material exclusively. 'circus'

"Circus" material exclusively. Miss Phillips, author of NBC's "Guiding Light" program, deliber-ately flouted the advice of "those in the know" when she began to use the elements of philosophy in dra-matic form in the inauguration of "The Guiding Light" more than two years are years ago.

"I had a definite conviction," says Miss Phillips, "that the average citi-zen would be willing—even eager to listen to serious problems if they to listen to serious problems if they were properly presented. People are interested in politics, in religion and philosophy, and will listen to the problems they present if a writer or a speaker will make them an in-tegral part of life." Currently in the "Guiding Light," broadcast Mondays through Fridays at 2:45 p. m., Omaha time, over WOW and NBC Red network, Miss Philling is presenting both sides to

Phillips is presenting both sides to a problem that has been passionately debated for centuries—the right of the individual to place himself above the individual to place himself above social responsibility. Contending forces are represented by the min-ister, Doctor Ruthledge, the "Good Samaritan," who places the group above the individual, and his foster son, "Ned Holden," a flaming prophet of individualism. And fan mail has backed Miss Phillips' contention 100 per cent. Listeners not only demonstrate their

Listeners not only demonstrate their willingness to listen to debate, but they contribute arguments of their own to both sides of the question. Thousands write weekly for copies of Doctor Ruthledge's sermons and for the "radio broadcasts" made by "Ned Holden."

"Guiding Light" is sponsored by Procter & Gamble and originates in the NBC Chicago studios.



A Reversal of an Old Formula

The usual formula of small-town girl going to big city for career and romance is reversed in the Oxydol serial, "The Man I Love." In this, the newest of the Procter



THE O'NEILL FAMILY



Nearly four years on the air! That's the record of "The O'Neills," the Procter & Gamble show which features the cast shown above. It is packed full of human interest, pathos and excitement. In this, the newest of the Procter & Gamble shows, a city boy and a city girl wed and move to the small town of Caperneum, where they find an amazing series of adventures. The girl is Barbara Lee, a thor-oughly charming actress, who does

oughly charming actress, who does the role of "Evelyn." The boy is Van Heflin, who plays Adam War-ing, multimillionaire's son. "The Man I Married" is the brain

child of Authors Don Becker and Carl Bixby. It is replete with hu-man interest. Other members of the cast include Betty Worth as "Flor-ence Weston" and Santos Ortego as 'Phineas Grant.'

"The Man I Married" is now heard on WOW at 9 a. m. (Omaha time), Mondays through Fridays, on WOW.

Betty Wragge, ingenue on "Pep-per Young's Family," is such a busy person that she finds too little time for reading. So she brings a book to every broadcast—to catch up on the contemporary literature.

It takes brains and histronic ability . . . and beauty doesn't hurt . . . to be a radio actress. Barbara I star of Procter & Gamble's "The Man I Married" has all the three qualities.

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Betty Wragge is another of those ery young "old-timers" in radio

very young "old-timers" in radio dramatics. She plays the top role in Procter & Gamble's "Pepper Young's Family" opposite Curtis Arnall, Omaha lad.

Recently a popularity poll was taken for that type of show known in the radio art as "the script show,"

but known to radio listeners as "serials."

"Pepper Young's Family," the Camay show, rated as "an ideal show for women, children and men," in 12 midwestern states, probably

This feature has an especially large audience among Omaha listen-

ers because of Curtis Arnall, former

Central high school youth, who now plays the role of "Pepper Young." Opposite him is Betty Wragge, who,

only a decade ago was playing a brother-sister act with her real brother, Eddie, on a show starring

Raymond Knight. Now Miss Wragge has become so popular she is being mentioned for a possible lead role in a forthcoming

SKIPPER WELLS

Dick Wells, announcer for Teel's "Midstream" and Oxydol's "Own Ma Perkins," is strutting about the NBC Chicago studios these days nattily decked out in a skipper's uniform Dick's computing to the

uniform. Dick's commuting to the studios daily via the Mermaid II, his 50-foot yacht. All he has to do

is walk a couple of blocks to the harbor in the morning, weigh an-chor and he's off over the waves to

Broadway production.

the air waves.

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FIVE SHOWS EVERY WEEK ON WO

EVERYBODY LOVES "MA PERKINS"

The first time Virginia Payne was given a part in an amateur theatri-cal-back in her old home town of Cincinnati, Ohio, she had only a half dozen lines of dialogue. Ambitious — then as now — Vir-

ginia memorized the leading lady's entire part, too, just in case an ac-cident might befall the star of the show, preventing her appearance on the night of the performance. The accident never materialized, but the incident serves to illustrate one of Virginia's outstanding character-istics, a firm belief in the efficacy of aredness.

Star of the cast of the "Oxydol's Ma Perkins" program since it came to National Broadcasting Company networks in December, 1933, Vir-ginia was born in Cincinnati on June 19, 1910, the daughter of John Lewis Payne, a physician. Virginia's first reaction to the stage, at the age of 4, was negative. She walked out of the theater during one of Maude Adams' appearances in "Pe-ter Pan." Two years later, however, her parents started her taking les-sons in elocution, and she rapidly sons in elocution, and she rapidly developed both a talent and an in-clination for the drama.

Phenomenal Memory

"All my life I specialized in pan-tomime and rapid memorization of lines, only to go into radio, where neither ability counts for anything." But at least she left the University of Cincinnati with two degrees, an A.B. and an A.M., and the reputa-tion of having the finest memory of anyone in her class.

She can memorize anything-in-She can memorize anything in cluding the writings of Gertrude Stein—after the second or third read-ing. Her ability stood her in good ing. Her ability stood her in good stead while playing on the stage soon after graduation. Because of another actress' illness, she was called to take the role of Mrs. Hardcastle in "She Stoops to Conquer" on one night's notice. She memorized her lines, which ran throughout the three-act play, and took over the role the next afternoon without a slip of memory. slip of memory.

Started in Cincinnati

Virginia did her first work before the microphone at WLW, NBC af-filiate at Cincinnati.

She earned her first check from radio when she was cast as the "speaking voice" and Jane Froman was the "singing voice" of "Honey Adams," heroine of a southern radio drama.



Virginia Payne in her world-famous role of "Oxydol's Ma Per-kins."



As Miss Payne looks out of character.

The production supervisor of the show wanted a southern girl with an authentic southern drawl to play heroine. More than 40 actresses were tested and Virginia won over

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them all. Thirty of her competitors came from Georgia, Carolina, Ten-nessee or Alabama, and no one thought Ohio-born-and-reared Virginia had a chance.

With Repertory Company

After she had won, the manager came up to her and asked what part of the south she came from.

"I had to confess, meekly, that I had always lived in Cincinnati, but he let me keep the job," says Virginia.

After completing school, she doubled as radio actress, member of the staff of the Schuster-Martin School of Acting, and member of one of Cincinnati's theater groups. Then followed a tour with the Stuart Walker Repertory Company and a series of dramatic recitals throughout Ohio.

Miss Payne came to Chicago with the cast of "Ma Perkins" when that popular radio serial moved from WLW to the NBC Chicago studios North Side apartment, does a lot of her own cooking, plays the piano, swims, dances and reads.

Her pet aversion is bridge play-ing, because "it seems to be a waste time to concentrate on cards. but, of course, it may be that I don't play very well."

Her favorite midnight snack is a hamburger sandwich or two, al-though she has never let the fact

slip to her doctor-father. Virginia has brown hair, light blue eyes and is five feet four inches tall.

NIMROD ARNALL

In righteous wrath, Curtis Ar-nall, lead player in the "Pepper Young" serial, was convinced he had caught an out-of-season game poacher the other day. On a side road on his place in New Hamp-shire, Arnall encountered a man put-ting two dead deer into a car. After Arnall had started to give the fellow Arnall had started to give the fellow a tongue lashing, he was confronted with credentials proving that the supposed hunter was a game warden who had discovered the two deer with antlers locked in a death fight.





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Carlon of Indianapolis (shown above) decided she wanted to be an actress. She worked hard, never changed her mind, and has become a radio favorite in Procter & Gamble's "Kitty Keene, Inc."

Herewith is her advice to girls who aspire to radio dramatic careers:

1. Be sure you are an expert at reading at sight. There are no long rehearsals in radio and an imme-diate interpretation of a part is essential.

2. Reading aloud constantly, concentrating on voice flexibility, is good preparation for a radio career. Personality is projected only through the voice in radio.

3. If you have a stage background, voice projection and "the-atrical" diction must be stepped down.

4. Be alert! You can't begin over again once you're on the air. Be prepared to deal with the unex-pected at all times.

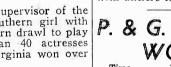
5. Make up your mind that you're getting into good, hard work, not romance. You must be able to work under pressure and still retain a sensitive instinct for moods and personalities. Don't, under any cir-cumstances, give way to pervest cumstances, give way to nerves! You'll never stand the strain if you do.

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Teel's "Midstream" is Written addict. Incidentally, the lady did a bit too much yanking the car around mountain roads and is wearing her right wrist in a brace. —wow— Curtis Mitchell, sound effecter on the "Kitty Keene" show, was mo-mentarily stumped by the script requirement that he make a noise like two people walking down a hali. He wasn't stopped for long, though. Got an extra pair of shoes, put 'em on his hands and walked on all fours to make exactly the right kind of racket.



"HANNAH" CARRIES ON



At a tender teen age, Frances



Bravely Hannah ("Houseboat Hannah O'Leary") fights on! Every body knows this human serial show, aired by the cast above, with Doris Rich as star. It's one of Procter & Gamble's most popular serials.

racket.

The nasal tough heard as "Wea-sel" on the P. & G. "Houseboat Hannah" program is Donald Gallagher, who has lectured at the University of Chicago, Southern Methodist university and a couple of other sanctums of erudition on, of all things, Shakespeare and the Elizabethan theater.

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Betty Wragge, who plays the role of Peggy in "Pepper Young's Fam-ily," over WOW, is a versatile young lady. During a trip to Europe, she learned to speak Dutch so fluently that she had to learn English all over again on her return home.



An action photo of the cast of "Midstream," the Teel Procter & Gamble serial written by Pauline Hopkins. In the group are Hugh Studebaker, Betty Lou Gerson, Connie Osgood and Dick Wells (announcer).

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WOW SPECIAL EVENTS ACTIVITIES News Editor's WOW Listeners Take Radio Trip to Big Fairs

Column

By FOSTER MAY WOW News Editor

NOTE. - Hundreds of listeners asked for copies of Foster May's recent plea for "personal neutrality." Here it is . . . slightly abbreviated. —THE EDITOR.

During the past week, as news of the war has increased and the tension has grown hourly, I have no-ticed a shocking



disposition on the part of my fellow Americans to take sides. I want to take this opportunity to express my sincere hope that WOW listeners will maintain not an attitude of disinterestedness, but a position of

personal neu.

trality.

Foster May

More and more during our street programs letters and telegrams have come to me, showing a strong in-clination on the part of Americans to condemn one side or the other in this issue. We are Americans and we have a right to any feeling we care to express, but, as I see it,

care to express, but, as I see II, taking sides is folly. As a news man, for 12 years I have observed a good many of Eu-ropean dispatches. I want to give you some of my observations along this line. this line.

For many years the continent of Europe has been a seething pot of power politics. Power politics means just what it says—a political game just what it says—a political game to achieve a balance of power on the continent of Europe. Unfortun-ately, this game of power politics has not been played by one group, one section or one nation. It has been played by all of Europe—and played right down to the very last card. Germany, Russia, Italy, France, England, Spain... these have been the principal players in this ruthless and sometimes bloody this ruthless and sometimes bloody game of power politics. I want to quote to you from a

letter I received from an editor of a newspaper down in Oklahoma last

"Personally, it is my sincere hope that the United States can stay out of the international mess this time. It might be okay if we were SURE that democracy was the stake. But, to ME, democracy and British and French imperialism are NOT synonymous."

I am pro-American, pro-human, pro-democratic — not power politics democracy. All have been horrified by the ruthlessness of all European dictators. If you have read history, you probably have been horrified at the atrocities committed by the Brit-ish and French in their conquests of certain colonies and possessions — the Boors in Africa, and a few others. To say that the English and French have been lily white in their technique toward millions of human beings would be to state an untruth. To say that it has been sary for Germany and Italy to use the methods they have would also be untrue. But, regardless of whether you approve of the way England has brutally trampled millions of colonials under foot; regardless of how strongly you feel against the inhuman methods of the nazi and fascists and communists governments, the truth remains that the whole, bloody, stinking business has been a game of power politics. The biggest hand and the biggest showdown in this game of power politics in all history is now being played. Who is right; who is wrong, would be impossible to determine at this time. Only history, many years from now, will have that answer. For us to permit our feeling to be nent in peace, justice and love of swayed and to take sides, would not only be folly, but suicide. The thing for us to remember is this: That our fellow men, and to remember that those men now under arms and in uniform in Europe are also our Germany, Italy, France and Eng-land, as well as all the other counfellow men - on both sides, and to remember also not to let our feeltries of Europe, as populated mainly ings be swayed by propaganda.



Iowa's crochet champs almost taught WOW's Lyle De Moss how it was done at the Iowa State Fair in Des Moines. Shown with him, beside WOW's mobile unit at Des Moines, are (left to right): Mrs. A. Master-pole, Oelwein, Iowa, grand champion; Mrs. G. V. Reynolds, Dallas Center, runnerup; Mrs. A. C. Osborne and Miss Elsie Keuth, both of Des Moines; Mrs. H. L. Varnum, Marshalltown, and Mrs. Nich Avigernos, Des Moines. WOW's mobile unit at Des Moines, are (left to right): Mrs. A. Master-

Even the European war failed to keep WOW from taking its listeners on a series of interesting listening visits to the principal fairs in Ne-braska, Iowa, Kansas and South Dakota.

Using two special events crews, the Sophisticated Rangers, and at the Douglas County Fair the entire Good Will Follies, WOW not only covered special events of great in-terest, but provided entertainment. for fair-goers as well.

for fair-goers as well. Lyle De Moss and an engineering crew "covered" the big Iowa State Fair at Des Moines. Foster May did his Iten-Barmettler "Man on the Street" at the big Belleville, Kans., fair, at Wagner, S. D., and at the huge Corn Palace Exposition at Mitchell, S. D. Both De Moss and May partici-nated at the Nebraska fair, where

FARM LEADER



"Agriculture's pioneer press agent" is the, what they call Sam Guard, editor of the Breeders Ga-zette, who conducts the new "Farmers' Forum," on WOW, Mondays, 6:30 to 7 p. m. The sponsor is Drs. Hess & Clark, Inc.

Goodyear Neighbor On Monday Noons

"Your Goodyear Country Neighbors," title of a new program of the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Com-pany, which will be heard every Monday on WOW, 12 noon to 12:15 p. m. Master of ceremonies is known as "Chucklin' Charlie," and the en-tertainment will include L, ou is e Massey and The Westerners, and several other well-known acts. In addition, each program will include a two-minute market crop report and weather summary, plus vital farm flashes by the Goodyear Farnr Radio Reporter.

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MAY AT KANSAS FAIR Roundtable 'Regular' Is Visitor in Omaha Jerome G. Kerwin, associate pro-

Jerome G. Kerwin, associate pro-fessor of political science at the University of Chicago and a "regu-lar" on the Chicago Roundtable discussions (1:30 p. m., Sundays, on WOW), was interviewed on WOW recently by Foster May. Professor Kerwin was in Omaha to address the Institute of Government at the Municipal University of Omaha.

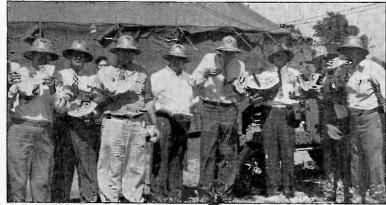
SALUTE TO OMAHA

The Omaha Chamber of Commerce recently sent full information about Omaha to the "Carnation Contented Hour" radio program, to be used as the basis of a forthcom-ing "salute program." The program is a Monday night feature on WOW -9 o'clock.



The North Central Kansas Free Fair at Belleville was "covered" for WOW listeners by Foster May with Iten-Barmettler "Man on the Street" broadcasts. Photo shows Foster interviewing Guy E. Ward, amusement committee chairman.

A-C EXECUTIVES GET A TREAT



WOW's Rangers entertained daily in the Allis-Chambers tent at the Nebraska State Fair. Photo shows a group of Allis-Chalmers tent at the enjoying a watermelon repast. Left to right are Art Backlund of Colum-bus; Howard Stearns, Grand Island; Ken Crowl, Lincoln; Charles Mc-Clarnen, Pawnee City; A. Rolfsmeier, Seward; Oscar Cook, Omaha branch manager; Lyle De Moss of WOW, and W. J. Stevens, sales manager at Omaha.

by common, ordinary people—even as you and. People who have fami-lies and children . . . who work for their living. Human beingen to ing. Human bei enioy the sunshine and the fresh air and to whom the thought of jabbing a bayonet in their fellow man is as abhorent as it is to you and me. These people are under the domination of their leaders, whether they live in England or in Germany. War has come, not because these people want it, but because their leaders, who are playing in this game of power politics, want it. And it doesn't seem to me that as a good American and a sympathetic human being it is our place to say to either of these large groups of human be-ings who will be forced to do the fighting that "I hope you win." Our own problem is for us to live on the North American conti-

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- subscription expire! A card, letter or phone call to
- WOW, and your expiration date will be given to you immediately.

SMOKE DREAMS

"Smoke Dreams," a half-hour program featuring "The Dreamer" and his bits of homey philosophy told in prose and poetry against a background of music, is a new feature on WOW, Sundays, at 1 p. m., via the NBC Red network. The program also includes music by an orchestra, under the direction of Virginio Marucci, and various vocal soloists.



Smilin' Ed McConnell



The grand champion, 4-H baby beef (pictured above), brought its owner and raiser, Gilbert Bowles, Stanton County, 76 cents a pound, and WOW listeners heard the actual sale. Photo shows Prof. J. J. Moxley of Kansas State Agricultural College congratulating Bowles during a joint interview by De Moss.

Smilin' Ed McConnell, the singing philosopher of radio, returned to WOW after a summer layoff, on Saturday in a weekly 15-minute program series under the sponsor-ship of the Acme White Lead and Color Works. The broadcast may be heard each Saturday from 9:15 to 0.30 a m to 9.30 a. m. It will be McConnell's sixth year

on the air for this sponsor and his 18th in radio.

Irma Glen, well-known NBC pipe organist, will be heard with the jovial singing star on his new series.

Curt Massey, vocalist-trumpeterarranger-violinist with the "West-erners," has stepped into the sing-ing role on the "Avalon Time" program, Saturdays, 7:30 p. m., over WOW and NBC Red network. Other stars on the show are Come-dian Red Skelton, Edna Stillwell, Janette (Dorothy Davis) and Bob Strong's orchestra.

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Business man, poet and philoso-pher is John P. Dahl, star of "Soli-tude," heard Sundays at 12 noon on

WOW. He is president of the

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READS POETRY Parade of Famous Personalities Gives WOW Folks a Variety of Very Interesting Interviews Women at the

The past few weeks brought an amazing array of important person-alities to WOW microphones for special interviews, mostly by Foster May. Included were:

United States Senator H. Styles Bridges of New Hampshire, from Omaha Junior Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

Prof. Grayson L. Kirk, University of Wisconsin, political economist, in Omaha for the Institute of Government at the Municipal University of Omaha.

Prof. Jerome G. Kerwin, Univer-sity of Chicago Roundtable, political economist, also in Omaha for the Institute of Government.

Joseph D. Grew, United States ambassador to Japan, in Omaha en route from Washington to his post in Tokyo.

In addition, May journeyed to many outstate points for personal appearances and for special Iten-Barmettler "Man on the Street" broadcasts.



Nebraska's champion 4-H cooks, Jean and Joan Mackey of Frontier County-truly important blue ribbon winners, gave WOW's Harry Burke a sample of their waffles when they visited the Nebraska Power Company's all-electric kitchen as guests of Martha Bohlsen, director of the Radio Homemakers' Club.

30 Fine Prizes For Food Show

By MARTHA BOHLSEN Conductor of the Homemakers' Club of the Air-Saturdays, 10 A. M.

First, I want to extend a personal invitation to every homemaker lis-tener of station WOW to attend the

Omaha Food Show at the city auditorium the week of October 9. Most of you may already know that I am to conduct a cooking school each afternoon, starting at 2 o'clock, the theme of which is to be "Let's Stay Young Electrically."



Martha Bohlsen For this Martha Bohlsen month's News Tower I want to tell you something about our food show cooking school plans.

This year we are conducting a canning contest, in which all of you are invited to enter any type of canned goods, including fruits, vege-tables, meats or pickles (not jellies, preserves, etc.). There will be 10 prizes of beautiful electrical appli-ances. All entries must be made ances. All entries must be made Saturday, October 14, between 12 noon and 2:30 p. m., at the audito-rium, and winners will be announced shortly after 4 p. m. The prizes will be:

- (1)Electric roaster.
- IES table lamp.
- Electric casserole
- Electric coffeemaker. Boudoir lamp.
- (5) (6)
- Pin-up lamp. Pin-up lamp. Electric clock. (7)(8)
- (9) One carton of 100-watt lamps.
 (10) One carton of 100-watt lamps.

In addition, every day we will give away an electric casserole, a better-sight floor lamp, an electric clock and an electric coffeemaker.

My assistant will be Miss Marion MacDonald and 11-year-old Susie Potter, who will show you how simple it is to cook well with electricity.

The following is a brief resume of each day's cooking school at the food show:

Tuesday-"The Family Table"

On this program we will feature high-quality foods cooked properly for the American family table. We will suggest unusual, yet practical,

dishes for every homemaker. Wednesday—"Bridge Luncheons" This program will offer oppor-tunities for fancier dishes to appeal to our entertaining hostesses.

Thursday-"Refrigerator Raid"

Since Thursday is maid's day out, we might find the average family conducting a refrigerator raid, which in every-day language would mean merely a day for using leftovers. We feel no cooking school is com-plete without a good day on leftovers, and this might accomplish the purpose from just a little different slant.

Friday-"Special Diet Cookery" **r**may—"Special Diet Cookery" This program will include diets for children, both the very young child and the school child. Also convalescent cookery, the diet for the underweight, the diet for the overweight and suggestions for overweight, and suggestions for feeding a cold should be very valuable information at this season of the year. This program will not be too scientific, but will bring out the importance of wholesome food and healthful cookery for diet purposes. Every day recipes will be printed on separate sheets and given out free. On the first day only a folder will be given-to contain all of the recipes. So be sure to attend the cooking school the first day so as to get your recipe folder.



"STREET" IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Oshkosh Readies New Morning Series

Lyle De Moss and WOW's ever-popular Sophisticated Rangers will begin a new series of programs for Oshkosh B'Gosh overalls October 3,

and thereafter on Tuesdays, Thurs days and Saturdays at 6:45 a.m. In addition to the programs on the air, which will include comedy and wake-up music, the Oshkosh entertainers will make frequent per-

sonal appearances in various towns in WOW's territory. The series will be under the personal direction of De Moss. Neil O'Brien of Ruthrauff & Ryan, Inc., Chicago, the Oshkosh advertising agency, was in Omaha recently to

assist with getting the new series started.

May journeys casts.

Twice in a

Chief Harry Rainbow of the Yankton Sioux Tribe. Later Foster covered the Corn Palace show at Mitchell.

FARM WOMEN'S CHORUS



Three hundred Nebraska farm women singers, members of the 4-H Club chorus, broadcast a concert over WOW on the first day of the Nebraska fair. Mrs. Altinas Pullis of Lincoln directed.



SHOWS CONTINUE Two popular Sunday night NBC Blue network programs will continue over WOW after change of time (starting September 24). Walter Winchell's comments for Jergens' Lotion will be at 10 p. m. and Irene Rich dramas for Welch's Grape Juice will be at 10.15 p. m. The month Foster to South Dakota for "Man on the Street" broad-Juice will be at 10:15 p. m. The Woodbury Playhouse dramas will be heard on Wednesdays, 7 p. m. to 7:30 p. m., starting October 4. Photo shows him at Wagner interviewing

Miss Mildred Porter of the WOW program department and L. J. (Jim) Boremann, United Press correspondent, formerly attached to WOW, were married at St. John's Church, Omaha, September 30. They will make their home in Chicago

name and address, togethet with name and address, on a penny postcard to Betty Crocker, Gen-eral Mills, Minneapolis, Minn., or care of WOW. A CIGARETTE CASE IS being offered to any listener who sends in one wrapper from either size Bugler tobacco pack-age, plus 25 cents in coin, to Bugler, Louisville, Kentucky. Hear "Plantation Party" for details.

BUY A 50-CENT BOX OF Woodbury powder and receive a one-dram bottle of Bateek perfume. Hear "Woodbury perfume. H e a r "Woodbury Playhouse" for details. SEND 25 CENTS AND ONE

Softasilk box top, together with name and address, to "Arnold Grimm's Daughter," station WOW

BUY TWO PACKAGES OF Wheaties and receive a flashlight free from your dealer. For details hear "Valiant Lady." WRITE A 25-WORD LETter about Morton House roast beef and gravy on the back of the label from the can. Win \$1 if used on the air. Send all entries to Morton House, care of WOW.

Some football team, eh? It's Lyle De Moss at quarterback and an All-American line in the Sophisticated Rangers. They're posed getting set to make terrific gains for Oshkosh B'Gosh overalls! Hear their new program, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 6:45 a. m., on WOW.

around a partial plate which a den-tist installed to replace part of the singer's mouth structure fallowing an automobile accident several years ago.

swell with pride. Mike has to sing

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Lou Holtz, comedian, famous for his Lapidus stories, will share guest honors with Carper Reardon, noted swing harpist, on the Alec Templeton show, Monday night, October 2, at 8:30.

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WOW'S NEW FALL NIGHT SCHEDULE

Keep this Handy Schedule Near Your Radio Set at All Times!

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	TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	5:45	Mounds WOW News	Walnettos WOW News	Mounds WOW News	Walnettos WOW News	Mounds WOW News	Walnettos WOW News	5:30—Grouch Club Korn Kix
	6:00	Chesterfields Fred Waring	Chesterfields Fred Waring	Chesterfields Fred Waring	Chesterfield Fred Waring	Chesterfield Fred Waring	NBC String	Jack Benny
	6:15	Fleischmann Yeast "I Love a Mystery"	Fleischmann Yeast "I Love a Mystery"	Fleischmann Yeast "I Love a Mystery"	Fleischmann Yeast "I Love a Mystery"	Fleischmann Yeast "I Love a Mystery"	Symphony	Jello
	6:30	Farmers' Forum Drs. Hess and Clark	Big Ben Big Ben Tobacco	Plantation Party	Big Ben Big Ben Tobacco	Aldrich Family	Richard Himber Studebaker Champions	Fitch Bandwagon
	6:45	Poultry Remedy	Richard Himber Studebaker Champions	Brown-Williamson Bugler Tobacco	Richard Himber Studebaker Champions	October 13	Old Vienna Orchestra	Fitch's Hair Tonic
	7:00	Tommy Riggs Variety Show Quaker Oats	Johnny Presents Philip Morris	Hollywood Playhouse Woodbury Soap	One Man's Family Tenderleaf Tea	Cities Service Concert	(To be advised)	Charley McCarthy Show
	7:30	Voice of Firestone Concert	Horace Heidt Tums Pot of Gold	· Avalon Time Brown-Williamson Avalon Cigarettes	Those We Love Royal Desserts	Gas, Oils	Berle Variety Quaker Oats	Chase & Sanborn Coffee
ϕ	8:00	Dr. I. Q. Milky Way Candy	Battle of Sexes Molle	Fred Allen	Maxwell	Waltz Time Phillip's Milk of Magnesia	(To be advised)	Mańhattan Merry-Go-Round Dr. Lyons
	8:30	Alec Templeton Time Alka-Seltzer	Fibber McGee and Molly Johnson's Wax	Town Hall Tonight Bristol-Myers	Good News	George Jessel Vitalis	Death Valley Days Pacific Coast Borax	American Album of Familiar Music Bayer Asperin
	9:00	Contented Hour Carnation Milk	The Pepsodent Show Bob Hope Garland	Kay Kyser Kollege	Kraft Music Hall	Lady Esther Serenade	Benny Goodman Camel Caravan	Hour of Charm 'General Electric
	9:30	Sensation and Swing	Uncle Walter's	of Musical Knowledge Lucky Strike	Kraft Cheese	Business Frontiers		Good Will Hour
	9:45	Sensation Cigarettes	Dog House Raleigh Tobacco	-	. 1	NBC Hotel Lincoln Orch.		Ironized Yeast
	10:00	WOW News	WOW News	WOW News	WOW News	WOW News	National Barn Dance Alka-Seltzer	Walter Winchell Jergens Lotion
	10:15	Burlington Ralph Wagner Sports	Burlington Ralph Wagner Sports	Burlington Ralph Wagner Sports	Burlington Ralph Wagner Sports	Burlington Ralph Wagner Sports	-	Irene Rich Welch's Grape Juice
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MORNING AND AFTERNOON

	5:45 A. M.—March Time	
	6:00 A. M.—WOW News Tower	Daily except Sun
	6:15 A. M.—Time and Tunes	Daily except Sup
	6:30 A. M.—Markets	Daily except Sun
	6:45 A. M.—Pinex Merrymakers	Mon Wod Eri
		Tue Thu Sat
	7:00 A. M.—Organ Recital Period WOW News Tower	Sun
	7:15 A. M.—Blue Ribbon Melodies—Omar	Daily except Sun.
	7:30 A. M.—Four Showmen Quartet.	
	Musical Clock—Paxton & Gallagher	Daily except Sup
	7:45 A. M.—Animal Club News	Sun
	8:00 A. M.—Coffee Pot Inn Turn Back the Clock	Daily except Sun
•	8:15 A. M.—Hymns of All Churches	Mon Tue Wed Thu
	Magic Circle	Fri.
	8:30 A. M.—The O'Neills—Procter & Gamble	Mon Tue Wed Thu En
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	Little Dog House 9:00 A. M.—The Man-I Married—P. & G.—Oxydol	Man The West Off
	9.15 A. MJohn's Other Wile-Old English Wax-Bi So I)0[
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	Police Bulletins	Set
	9:30 A. M.—Just Plain Bill—Kolynos, Anacin. Bright Idea Club	Mon The Wed The Fri

	12:00 Noon-Goodyear Country Neighbors
	Markets
	Solitude—Western Audiphone CoSun.
	12:15 P. M.—Midday Melodies—Quaker Petroleum
	12:30 P. M.—WOW News Tower—Manchester
	12:45 P. MMan on the Street-Iten-BarmettlerDaily except Sun.
	1:00 P. M.—Betty and Bob—General Mills—BisquickMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Farm Facts and FunSat. Smoke Dreams—La FendrichSun.
	1:15 P. M.—Arnold Grimm's Daughter—General Mills—Softasilk Cake Flour
	1:30 P. M Valiant Lady-General Mills-Wheaties Mon Tuo Wod The Fri
1	Golden Melodies—NBC
	1:45 P. MJudy and Jane-Folger's Coffee
	2:00 P. M.—Mary Marlin—Procter & Gamble—Ivory Flakes. Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Matinee in Rhythm
	2:15 P. M.—Ma Perkins—Procter & Gamble—OxydolMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
	2:30 P. M.—Procter & Gamble—Camay—Pepper YoungMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Arcadia Ballroom Orchestra—NBCSat.
	2:45 P. M.—Guiding Light—P. & G.—Naptha SoapMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
ų	3:00 P. M.—Backstage Wife—Dr. Lyon's ToothpowderMon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. The Tryton's Band—NBCSat.
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10:00 A. M,-David Harum-B. T. Babbitt-Bab-O
Ross Trio-NBC
Norman Cloutier's Orchestra
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Smilin' Ed McConnell—Acme Paint and Lin-X
10:30 A. M.—Young Widder Brown—Cal Aspirin
Homemakers' Club of the Air
NDC News Summary
10:45 A. MHouseboat Hannah-P. & GLava Soap Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
Vernon Urane's Story Book
11.00 A. M LODY and SusiePetersen Baking Co
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3:15 P. M.—Stella Dallas—Milk of Magnesia Face Cream. WOW News Tower	
3:30 P. M.—Vic and Sade—Procter & Gamble—Crisco Paul Lavant's Orchestra—NBC Horlick Malted Milk Program	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
3:45 P. M.—Midstream—Procter & Gamble—Teel 4:00 P. M.—Girl Alone—Quaker Oats and Aunt Jemima Enna Jettick Melodies—Dunn & McCarthy	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri. Sun
4:15 P. M.—Against the Storm—Procter & Gamble Rangers Serenade—NBC	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
4:30 P. M.—Kitty Keene—Procter & Gamble—Dreft Headlines Ahead	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
Spelling Bee—Energine	
4:45 P. M.—Colgate	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri.
From Hollywood Today	
5:00 P. M.—Meet Miss Julia—Stanco—Nujol	Mon., Tue., Wed., Thu., Fri
Kaltenmeyer's Kindergarten	
Catholic Flour	Sun
5:15 P. M.—WOW Orchestra.	
Creighton University of the Air	Tue., Thu.
Junior Roundtable	····_ Fri.
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Grouch Club	
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