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**TOUR**

**WWVA**

# Jamboree

WORLD'S ORIGINAL RADIO JAMBOREE



*Celebrating*  
**8 YEARS**  
before the  
Footlights  
**1933 to 1941**



April 17, 1941

DEDICATED TO OUR VERY  
GOOD FRIEND AND WWVA  
JAMBOREE ORGANIST —  
VIVIAN MILLER, COMPOSER  
OF OUR JAMBOREE THEME  
SONG, PUBLISHED FOR THE  
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# Strike Up the Band!



**T**he WWVA JAMBOREE marches into its ninth year with colors flying to continue to make thousands of friendly folks happy with its wholesome fun and frolic—

EVERY  
SATURDAY  
NIGHT  
at the

**Wheeling  
Market  
Auditorium**

WHEELING,  
WEST VIRGINIA



# Song of the WVA Jamboree

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Music: Vivian M. Miller

Now here's the Jam-bo-ree to greet you In the good old-  
fash-ioned way. We'll do our best to please you  
And hope that you'll feel gay. We are more than  
glad to see you and hope you'll be care free,  
Go laugh and smile with us a while On the Mid-night  
Jam-bo-ree.

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It features a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb) and a 4/4 time signature. The score is divided into six systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. Chord symbols are written above the piano line, and lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat signs.



**GEORGE W. SMITH**  
Managing Director  
WWVA



**PAUL J. MILLER**  
Boss of the Prowlin' Mike



**VIVIAN  
MILLER**  
WWVA  
Jamboree  
Organist



**LEW CLAWSON**  
Bill Thomas' Smiling Successor



**JACK SUPLER**  
Genial WWVA Jamboree Engineer

## WWVA's FIRST BOY TO JOIN THE ARMY!

### FIRST LIEUTENANT "TEXAS BILL" THOMAS

From Jamboree Master of  
Ceremonies to Soldier Boy



**H**ERE HE IS — Texas Bill Thomas, pictured for the first time to his WWVA Jamboree fans in the smart and authentic regalia of his own Texas plains. "How are-you-all-tonight" Bill, a member of the Officers' Reserve, left Wheeling, April 10, for Bowman Field, Kentucky, where he will serve Uncle Sam as a first lieutenant. To say that his contagious smile and tall, lanky form will be missed at the Market Auditorium every Saturday night is putting it mildly.

Bill, who has been our Jamboree Master of Ceremonies since December 18, 1937, has more friends in Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia than a hound dog has fleas and you just can't have that many folks rooting for you unless you're a regular fellow! We wish him God speed in his service to his country.



## A LONG-TIME FAVORITE AT WWVA

Head Man Log Cabin Gang



FRANKIE MORE

**B**ACK IN 1936, an enthusiastic and likeable fellow fairly bounced into WWVA's studios in the Hawley Building, ready to go to work for the Pinex people. He radiated confidence and gave one the impression that he knew what folks wanted in radio entertainment and that he had the ability to deliver. That fellow was Frankie More and the mere fact that he is WWVA's oldest entertainer in point of years of service, is proof enough that he has made good in a big way. Frankie has a lot of ability, a lot of friends and a lot of good, common sense. That's quite enough to endear him to his thousands of listeners and associates in the broadcasting business.



THE FRIEND OF MAN AND BEAST

Head Man Happy Ranch Gang



BIG SLIM

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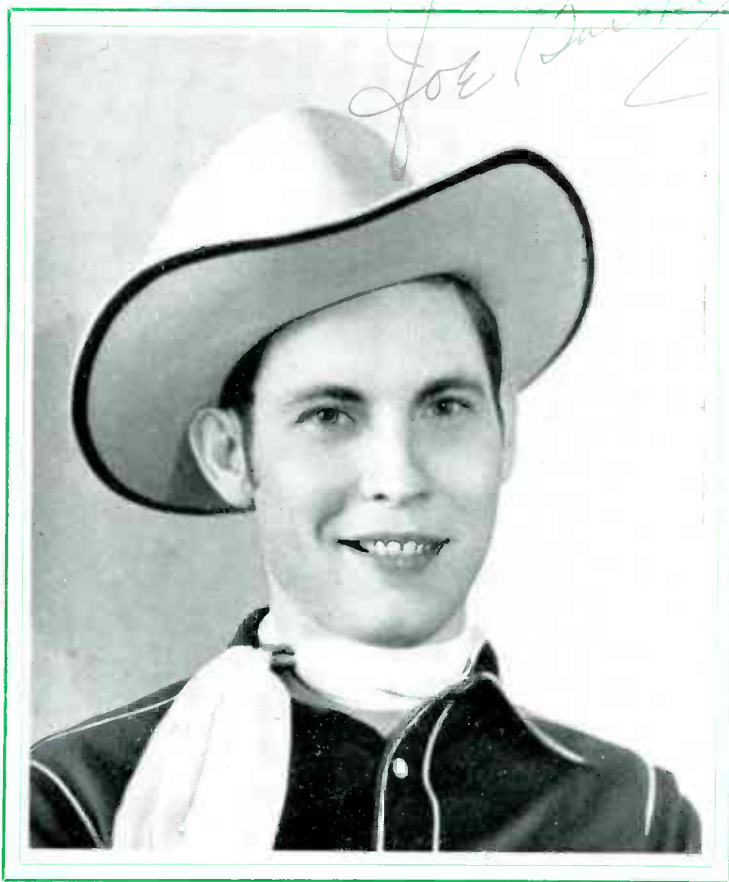
**T**ALL, HANDSOME AND LIKEABLE — that's "Big Slim", every inch of his even six-foot frame.

Ever since the year 1937, "Big Slim" has been measuring out entertainment to WWVA listeners in heapin' proportions. His singing hits you where it counts—his whip-cracking makes your hair stand on end and his hoss-ridin' is all class. Throw in a smile that doesn't fool, and you've got the recipe of his outstanding success.

"Big Slim's" devotion to his stable of educated, fancy riding horses and his knack of making a heap of friends, stamp him as the kind of a fellow you like to know.

## “HAPPY-GO-LUCKY”—AND WELL NAMED

Head Man of the Chuck Wagon



JOE BARKER

“**H**APPY-GO-LUCKY”, a nickname pinned on Joe Barker by his pals around WWVA just about hits the nail on the head. Joe always looks for the laugh in things and has the happy knack of kicking aside the frown provokers. And that’s the way he works the microphone.

Joe is a great family man and that’s to his credit. Little Shirley, the “better half” of his marriage contract, just seems to fit into Joe’s ideas like a snug glove. “Barker & Co” makes up a great team that counts their WWVA friends in big numbers. Joe and Shirley came to Wheeling in 1938.

**HIS WWVA FRIENDS ARE MANY**

Head Man of the Doughboys



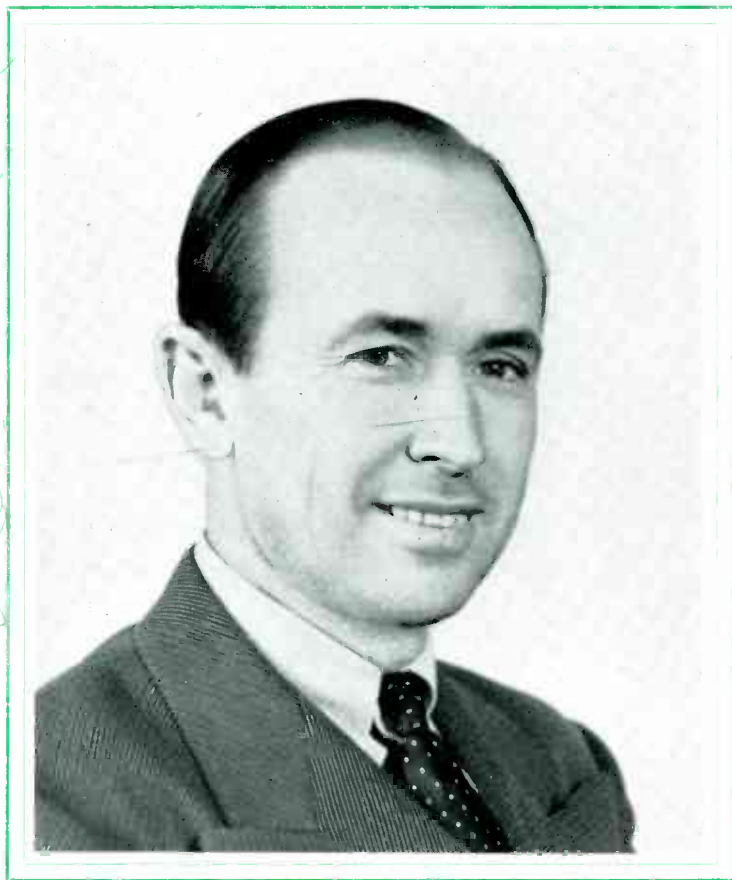
*Curley Miller*

**CURLEY MILLER**

**W**HENEVER the WWVA Jamboree calls for a mauler, "Curley" Miller gets the assignment. To see him manhandle his fellow entertainers just to get a laugh from the crowd, one would think he were a big brute. But he is not that at all! True enough, "Curley" Miller is big and broad, but with this bigness he combines an easy-going disposition that has made a heap of admiring friends. Since 1938, when he wandered into WWVA, he has been at the job of friendly broadcasting. His songs, his poetry and his ability to develop young entertainers are what make him "click".

## FROM OUT THE SUNNY SOUTH HE CAME

Head Man of The Buckeyes



LEW CHILDRE

**T**HE BOY FROM ALABAM" — that's frolickin' Lew Childre, tried and true. Lew came to WWVA in 1939 with a Southern drawl, a twinkling eye and the kind of a retiring attitude that always stamps a real star. His first song immediately opened the arms of WWVA listeners for a hearty welcome.

To know Lew is to be his friend—you just can't resist his charm, and nobody wants to. To watch his pal "Pooch" fairly worship his master is indisputable evidence of Lew's honest-to-goodness personality.

Lew Childre—he's a man of few words but many motions!

## WWVA JAMBOREE TOUR ITINERARY

- Monday, April 14 —Clairton High School  
Clairton, Penna.
- Tuesday, April 15 —Greensburg High School  
Greensburg, Penna.
- Wednesday, April 16—Ambridge High School  
Ambridge, Penna.
- Thursday, April 17 —Stambaugh Auditorium  
Youngstown, Ohio
- Friday, April 18 —Dennison High School  
Dennison, Ohio
- Saturday, April 19 —Wheeling Market Auditorium  
Wheeling, West Va.
- Sunday, April 20 —Akron Armory  
Akron, Ohio

## TOUR CAST

### Happy Ranch Gang

BIG SLIM, Manager

Quarantine                      Johnny Hill  
Tebv Stroud                      Chief Red Hawk

### Chuckwagon Doughboys

CURLEY MILLER and JOE BARKER

Co-managers

Little Shirley                      Senny Day  
Jimmy Hutchinson                      Willie Whistle

### Log Cabin Boys

FRANKIE MORE, Manager

Sunflower                      Dolf Hewitt  
Brocher Sy                      Joey  
Froggie

### Lew Childre and His Buckeyes

LEW CHILDRE, Manager

Bill Jones                      Sam  
Julius                      Stanley  
Mr. "Pooch"

BROWN EYES  
BENNIE  
"SMILEY" SUTTER

PAUL J. MILLER  
GENE JOHNSON  
BILL THOMAS

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**"FROGGIE" CORTEZ**  
"The Boy with the  
Funny Disposition"



**DOLPH HEWITT**  
"WWVA's Pretty Boy"



**SUN-  
FLOWER**  
"The Girl with  
the Sunny  
Disposition"



**JOEY**  
"Little Josephine"



**BROTHER SY**  
"Play-That-Fiddle, Sy"

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**CHIEF RED HAWK**  
"All-American  
Trick Roper"



**"QUARANTINE"**  
"The Ugliest Man  
in Radio"



**BROWN-  
EYES**  
"The  
Sunshine  
Girl!"

*Johnny Hill*

*Toby Stroud*



**JOHNNY HILL**  
"Wizard of the Strings"



**TOBY STROUD**  
"WVVA's Baby Fiddler"



**JIMMIE HUTCHINSON**  
"Bashful Jimmie"



**WILLIE WHISTLE**  
"Arkansas Traveler"



**"LITTLE SHIRLEY"**  
"WVVA's  
Sweet  
Personality"



**SONNY DAY**  
"Million Dollar Smile"



**BILL JONES**  
"Originator of the Silver Yodel"





**BENNIE KISSINGER**  
"The Yodeling Ranger"



**BUCKEYE SAM**  
"Singing Coal Miner"



**MR. POOCH**  
"Lew's Pal"



**BUCKEYE STANLEY**  
"Underground Cowpuncher"

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**BUCKEYE JULIUS**  
"Fiddling Coal Miner"

