NELSON OLMSTED, announcer of WRAP, Fort Worth, on Sept. 25 will join NBC in Chicago to present a network series. World’s Greatest Short Stories. Omusted has produced the same series on WRAP since 1939.

AL JENNINGS, formerly of WBHP, Huntsville, Ala., has joined the announcing staff of WHKN, Nashville. He succeeds Ed Mullinax, who joined WMAA, Anniston, Ala., as program director.

DOLORE HAYDEN, for eight years in New Zealand radio, has joined the NBC Hollywood music department.

JOHN WHITAKER, sports editor of the Pasadena Times, will handle a 10-week schedule of sports broadcasts on WJOR (formerly WWAR), Hammond, Ind. WJOR during the fall and winter will carry 30 consecutive weeks of play-by-play sports coverage, including football and basketball. Whitaker will handle all the broadcasts, as well as conduct a three-weekly sports roundup on the station.

MRS. PRANCES FARMER WILDER Ern Pacific Coast educational director, will instruct a class in radio management and technique at the University of Southern California extension division. Clinton Joses, of the network’s news bureau, will again conduct a course in radio script writing.

CECEL WOODLAWN, formerly a free lance writer, has joined the continuity staff of WRTY, Troy, N. Y.

SHIRLEY LAUTER, assistant publicist director of Don Lee Broadcasting System, Los Angeles, and David Horion, brewery executive, were married Sept. 7 in Glendale, Cal.

JOSE RODRIGUEZ, KFI-KECA, Los Angeles, is editor of the newly published 500-page book, Music of Dance in California.

HARRY BRIGHT, continuity chief and program manager of WGBR, Goldsboro, N. C., also has been named chief announcer of the station, succeeding Jan King.

JIMMY WALLINGTON, Hollywood m. c. of the CBS Peacock Summer Theatre, leaves the West Coast for New York Sept. 27 following the final broadcast.

RUTH LYNES, conductor of the Woman’s Hour on WQRC, Cincinnati, has been placed in charge of the station’s newly created women’s department.

CARL HOFF, musical director of the CBS, Al Pearce Show, sponsored by B. J. Reynolds Tobacco Co., has taken over a similar assignment for the Los Angeles County Fair Sept. 13-29.

BOB PERRY, formerly in the production department, has been named program director of KDB, Santa Barbara, Cal.

Cantor Names Cast

CAST for the new Eddie Cantor Show, which starts Oct. 2 under sponsorship of Bristol-Myers Co., New York (Ipans, Sal Hepatica), on 65 NBC-Red stations, Wednesdays, 9-9:30 p. m. (EST), has been completed. Besides Cantor, personnel will include Ray and Davis, comedians recently restored from the Broadway show, “Strawhat Revue”; Dinah Shore, formerly vocalist with Ben Bernie; Tommy Mack, comedian. Bobby Sherwood will have the orchestra. The glee club will be directed by Edgar Fairchild. Viek Knight is to produce the series, with Harry Von Zell handling commercial announcements. First 13 programs will originate from New York and then shift to Hollywood with Cantor works in another M-G-M musical film. Agency is Young & Rubicam, New York.

CHEERS of his WIBW conferences lighted the way for Edmund Denney, blind tenor of the Topeka station, as he embarked for Los Angeles to appear Sept. 6 as guest on the Al Pearce CBS program. Behind him is Mrs. Denney, with Mrs. Shreve of WIBW music director (below) holding an armful of presents. Denney has been at the station since 1935. Besides singing he plays the piano, guitar, writes legibly and typeswiftly. Letters from his fans persuaded Pearce to put Denney on the program.

Hackett Appoints Trio To Sales Staff of WINS

CONTINUING the reorganization of WINS, New York, begun last month by Cecil Hackett following his appointment as managing director of the station and the New York Broadcasting System (BROADCASTING, Sept. 1), three additions have been made to the station’s sales staff: John M. Sayre, who rejoins WINS after an interval during which he joined the sales staff of WNEW, New York, and served as sales director of WTNJ, Trenton; Stanley G. Barnett, formerly with Kelly Springfield Tire Co. and B. F. Goodrich Rubber Co., and William von Zehle, previously radio director at Consolidated Radio Artists and before that on the radio staff of Music Corp. of America, proceeded by varied station experience at WNEW and WHN, New York, and WHAM, Rochester.

Albert A. Grobe has been named manager of the New York Broadcasting System, in which capacity he will serve as an executive assistant to Mr. Hackett as well as continuing in his present post of traffic manager of WINS.

Bernard Estes, veteran newspaperman whose experience includes four years with the Associated Press in Europe, service as managing editor of the Boston (Pa.) Morning Free Press, and more recently editorial director of the Casino Publication Service, has been appointed news editor and publicity director of the station. Estes also writes and compiles the weekly Copy Desk broadcasts on WINS.

KTSN Now a Regional

SHIFTING from local to regional status, KTSN, El Paso, Tex., is now operating with 500 watts on 1550 kc. The station, managed by Karl O. Wylder, has installed a new RCA 1-E transmitter and a 315-foot Tramper vertical radiator at its new site on the outskirts of El Paso. Heretofore the station, an NBC affiliate, has operated on 1510 kc, with 250 watts.