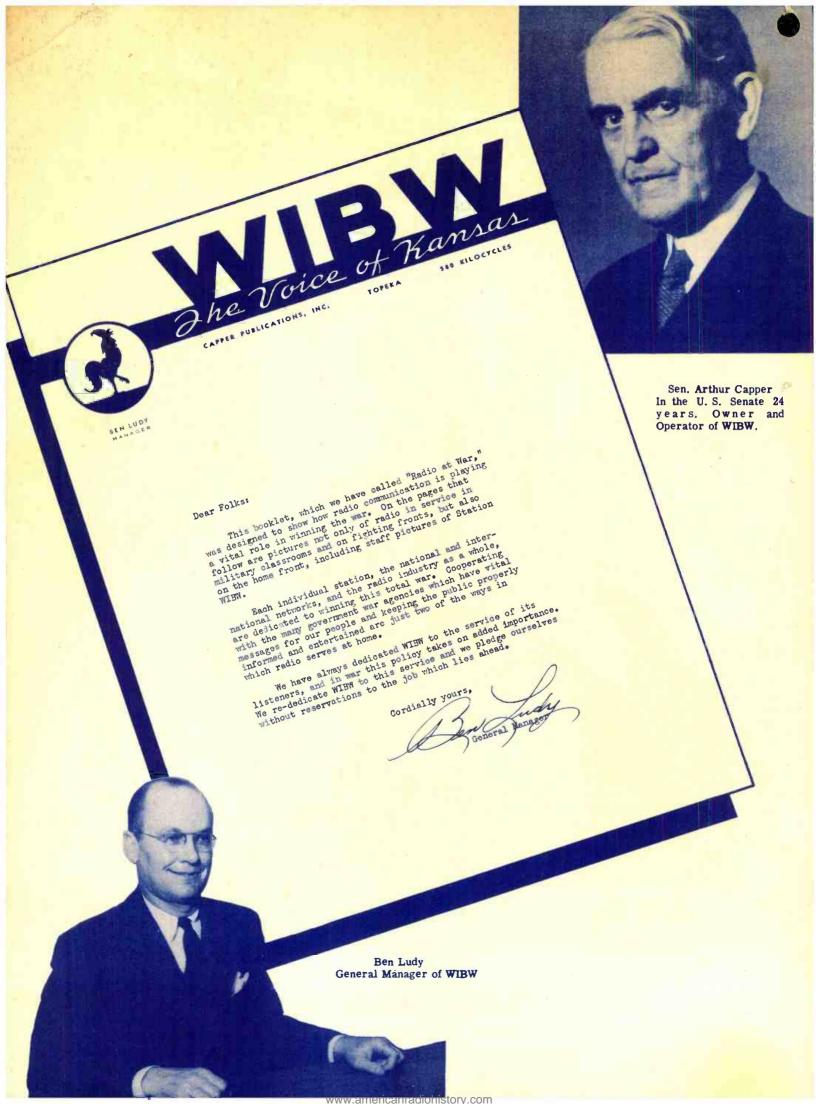


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PUBLIC SERVICE

.. Behind our war effort is a vast organization known as "Our Government". This government is composed of many federal agencies and officials reflecting the policies of the President and Congress. These various agencies and individuals have important missions to accomplish which require widespread understanding and cooperation.

... In a Democracy - even at war - there is a limit to the effectiveness of regulations. In most instances, public acceptance must be secured. To reach our large population of 130,000,000, no medium is more effective than radio.

. . . And radio, alert to its vital role in this part of the war effort, is generously contributing its facilities, its time, and its trained personnel to serve the government and our people.

OW RADIO HELPS

The Record:

NATIONAL

U. S. Army U. S. Navy U. S. Civil Service Maritime Commission U. S. Employment Service American Red Cross War Production Board Office of Price Administration U. S. Treasury U. S. O. Department of Agriculture Office of Price Administration War Production Board Federal Security Agency Office of Civilian Defense Department of Labor Office of Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs

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REGIONAL

Grain Storage Reclamation Campaign Relief for Farm Labor Shortage Promotion of Power Programs Promotion of supply of farm products vital to war Forest Fire Prevention Mine Service

Each local area can add scores of items to this imposing list.



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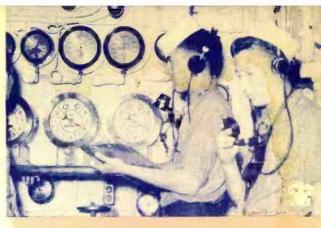
OUR fighting forces throughout the world are linked to Command Headquarters in Washington by a vast network of military communication. Messages are necessarily sent in code -- for in them are the secrets of our future military operations. Our system of radio stations in the United States has been a reservoir which provided our Army and Navy with thousands of skilled specialists who now maintain our important lines of military radio communication. Meanwhile, the services are training thousands of additional men for radio duty on land, on the sea, and in the air. Today, radio is the nerve system of our military might. Crackling messages over the airways will carry the signal of the last great offensive and the first news of the final defeat of our enemies.





Some of the delicate radio equipment in a Navy radio room.

Radioman receiving message on U.S. Battleship.



The Watch Below! Firemen report burner control readings.



In the operational radio control of a Naval Air Station.



Navy radio operators help to guard the sea lanes.





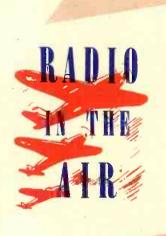
Every one a radio operator.



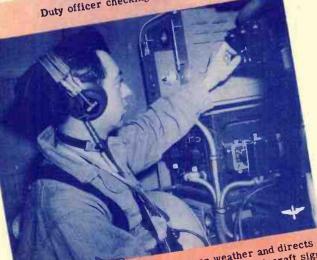
Radio operator on Navy patrol blimp on anti-submarine duty.

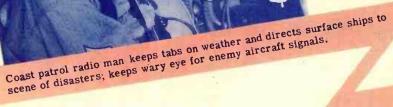


Duty officer checking flight board after flight.



Radio operator on Navy bomber.

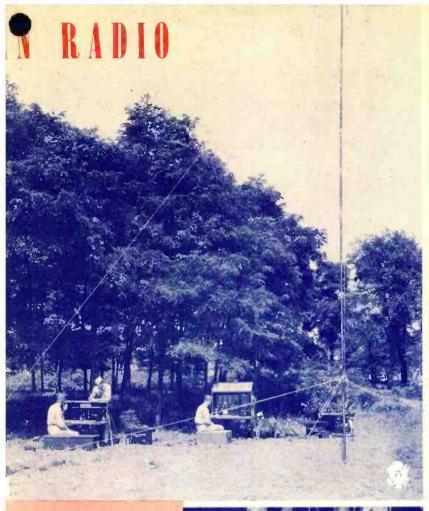


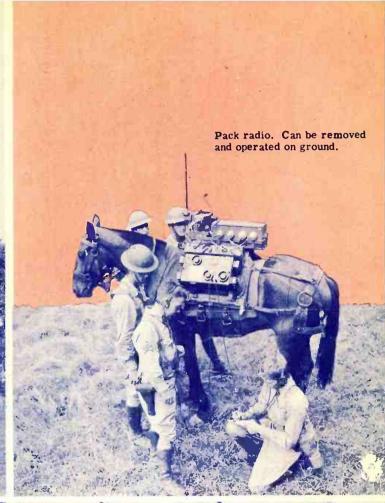




RADIO INSTRUCTION School dismissed. The "desks" in a radio classroom. Recruits receive instructing school. Corps Train-Diagram on wall aids Army Aviation cadets and student officers attend "buzzer" class. Another class explores intricacies of radio code. Flight instructor corrects students' errors after formation flying.







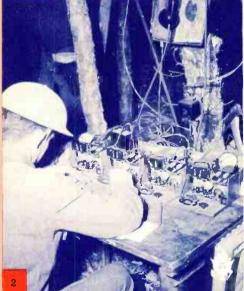
General View Field Transmitter, Power Unit and Antenna.

Battery of code keys at message center.

Radio-equipped Army Command Car.

Close-up of Army Field transmitter.

Motorcycle and side-car equipped with Radio.









On April 5, 1942, the United States Army started a new kind of military operation. For the first time in history, the War Department was directly sponsoring and producing a radio program with a definite military objective -- "The Army Hour". Since then, the official "Army Hour" has established itself as an integral part of the global fight of the United Nations against the Axis.

Through the "Army Hour", which is broadcast each Sunday, America and the whole world is getting a weekly view of the progress of the war and how it is being fought. The program reaches to all parts of the globe to tell the story of the United Nations fight, with buck privates telling their important role as prominently as the top-ranking military chiefs.

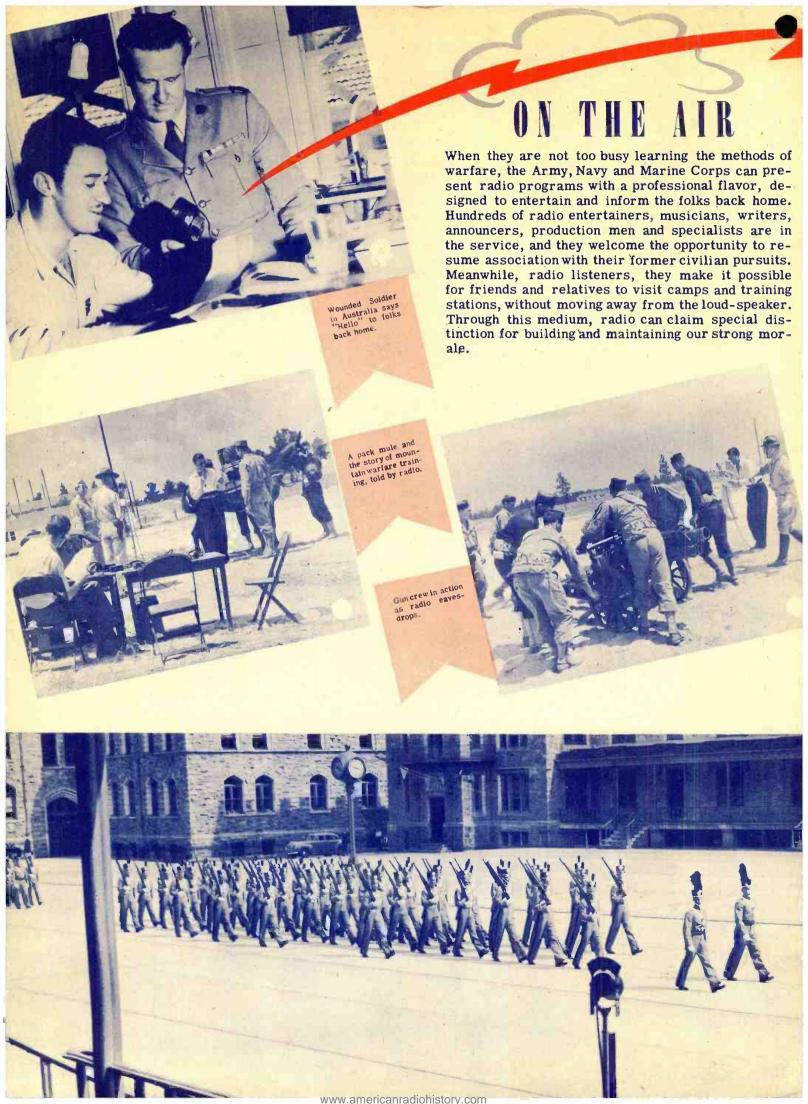




Private Joe Louis, heavyweight champion, addressed Army Hour listeners, with Col. Ned J. O'Brien,

WAR INFORMATION

With news, roundtables, speeches, forums, special events and dramatic programs, radio is keeping Americans the most informed people in the world. Today, more than ever before, Americans demand all the facts except those which will give aid and comfort to the enemy. From these truths come American unity and decision. Radio's task is to bring this information to our people as quickly and as clearly as possible.







WIBW HONOR ROLL

FORMER EMPLOYEES NOW IN THE SERVICE OF THEIR COUNTRY



Bill Stotts, Radio Technician, Navy (Operator)



Pvt. Dean Balley Air Force (Salesman)



Lt. (jg) Hilton Hodges Navy (Announcer)



Merwin Startup Radio Technician, Navy (Operator)



Capt. Marion Beatty Army (Salesman)



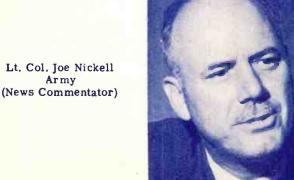
Cpl. Victor Jacobs Army (Engineer)



Lt. Dave (Everette) Wisner Army (Announcer)



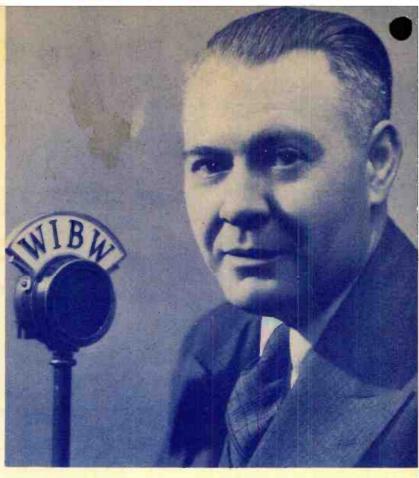
Coxswain Art Holbrook Coast Guard (Special Events)



Pvt. Jim Reed Army (Announcer)



Elmer H. Curtis, announcer, was influenced to get behind a "mike" after winning an international oratorical contest in 1931. He keeps making records--now on the way to his 2,500th consecutive Lee Food "Noon News" broadcast.



Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas have been home states for Trajan Clane "Gene" Shipley, former theatre owner, "ham" radio amateur, saxophonist and banjoist. Gene is one of the Mid-West's most widely-heard market reporters.

AROUND THE STUDIOS WITH THE FOLKS AT



"Henry and Jerome," those two masters of pleasing harmony, started in radio when the industry was a mere infant. They complete their 15th year on the air as a team November 11, 1943. Singly, Henry Peters has been broadcasting for 17 years and Jerome DeBord 21 years.

That happy cowboy, Clyde Mason, wears the fanciest horseridin' duds! His career as a radio' warbler has taken him to the networks; also throughout Oklahoma on Defense Bond sales with Singer Gene Autry.

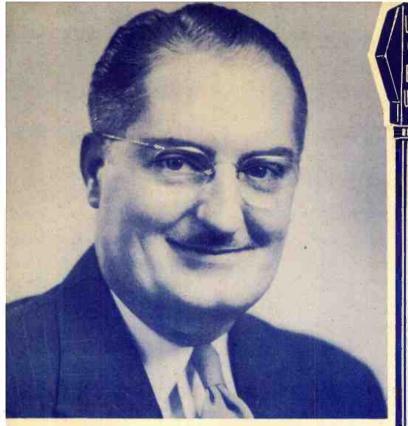




MIBM

Fresh from the mornin' mail is a newspaper that Ezra Hawkins reads to his "Bar Nothing Ranch" hands. Ezra, with paper, pipe and whiskers, is surrounded by (left to right) Glenn Osborn, Bob Dick and Clyde Mason. Ole Livgren, busy as usual, had to miss the picture. Ezra's "Bar O" is one of the gayest and liveliest morning shows you ever "heerd" of.











Above: M. A. "Bill" Bryan broke into radio at WIBW. Announces special events. Served as "House Reader" at 1943 regular session of Kansas Legislature.

Above Left: Merle Housh was familiar to WIBW listeners way back in 1928, as one of the two "Barnyard Songsters." He left for a time but is now back as "Henry Hornsbuckle," proprietor of "Henry's Exchange."

Left: He lived on a farm until his college days, then worked in the harvest fields during summer vacations, and was a 4-H Club member. He's Don Hopkins, the man behind the microphone for the 7 a.m. news.

Below left: From Kentucky (but not a colonel as yet) is Bill Haley, singer, announcer, master-of-ceremonies. He and his wife, Hazel, are comparative newcomers to WIBW, and mighty popular right off!

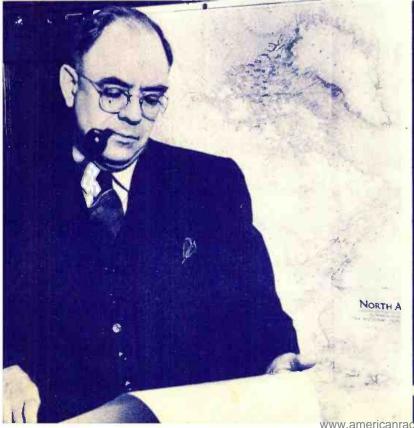
Below: Actor, Comedian, Singer, Announcer Homer Cunningham was one of the first to originate a radio black-face act, working as many as five voice-characters by himself. How does he get along so well with everyone? His motto: "I don't hate nooo-body."

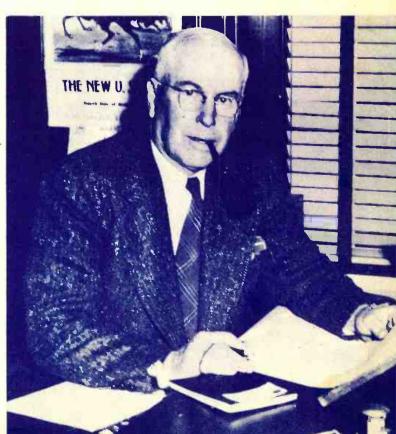




Thirty-five years of newspaper work is part of the experience of Olaf Soward, WIBW's afternoon and evening news commentator. Independent radio surveys in the middle-west have turned a bright spotlight on Soward. Has an unusual hobby of studying history of modern languages. A well-received public speaker, too.

One of the nation's best-known sports authorities, recognized coast-to-coast, is E.C. "Ernie" Quigley, who broadcasts sports four times weekly. He is public relations director of the National Baseball League; has won a mile of ribbons with his champion hogs.







Here's the little man with the great big name--Amato Guariglia, who is known as "Blackie" to all of us at the studio and on the air. In this shot, he has surrounded himself with his working tools--the organ, vibraphone and accordion.



Out of the heart of the Missouri Ozarks came Ralph Hunt to join with St. Louis-born Earl Bledsoe to form one of radio's most talented folk-singer teams. "Ralph and Earl" have the hill country rhythm that give their numbers a genuine fascination.



Dude Hank peeks into the radiator to stock up against government water rationing. His real name, of course, is Roy Carlson, WIBW music arranger and trumpeter who has been 'round and 'round in music circles, including the networks, dance bands, and theaters.



Oct. 12, 1935, is the starting date at the "Voice of Kansas" station for Edmund Denney, tenor. An amateur contest one year earlier won him a birth in



MUSIC SONGS



In action with that smoooth baritone voice of his is "The Shepherd of the Hills," whose career has led to Europe's radio stations and back. He got his start at WIBW. Name's William Wilhite.



radio, and his star has risen

continuously ever since.

Clark Wayne's first ambition was to be a musician, and today he's ranked with the best on the guitar. His second ambition must have been to be versatile, for he also performs great on the violin, bass, and mandolin. His hobby: automobile mechanics.



All set for another song and (by the looks of the dresses) the next dance, "Sally and Sue" smile at the photographer from above the curling stair rail in WIBW's home-studio. Sisters, the two are announced as those "sweet-singing Ozark sweethearts."



He's got a lotta brass! None other than Fred "Axelbender" Warren, who is seen cooking up a good excuse for missing a program. Axelbender's comic quips and musical versatility give him steady popularity with fans.



"The Colonel" is as jovial as this smile he's smiling. It's hard to best Colonel Combs, champ fiddler, with a joke, but the boys kid him for being hired on "April Fool's Day" 1934. It was no joke, though, for he proved himself to be a mighty popular guy with dialers.



When a piano fell on Ardis Charles, she decided then and there to take up music! It actually happened. As a contralto, she is winning honors. Pet like: her mom's banana-cream pie.



Tamed long enough to get a photo snapped are the "Corn County Wildcats," revealed in their Sunday finery. Reading to the right we find Amato "Blackie" Guariglia and his classic washboard noise-makers; Henry "Heinie" Haynes, the tuba wrestler; Fred "Axelbender" Warren, sending out on the "licorice stick"; and Roy "Dude Hank" Carlson, trumpet toter. With the villain's trade-mark (moustache) and the banjo down front is Clark Wayne Arbogast.

Right: Otho "Hoppi" Corbin is a Missouri lad who has played in opera companies, theatres, and the 7th Regiment Cavalry Band. His cello is always played with great skill. Also plays (but never seems to get around to them) the trombone, saxophone and melophone.









This is the entire staff, with the exception of a few, of Station WIBW. All of these folks are behind the programs heard over "The Voice of Kansas" at 580 kilocycles, Topeka. Unless the person is otherwise identified, the department to which he belongs is indicated as follows: (A) Announcing, (E) Engineering, (S) Secretarial, (T) Talent.

Left to right: 1st row--Jerome DeBord (T); Henry Peters (T); Ralph Hunt (T); Earl Bledsoe (T); Glenn Osborn (T); Sally Greeno (T); Sue MacLane (T); Alice Joyce Hensroth (T); Ole Livegren (T); Bob Dick (T); Edna Hann (S); Elsie Shideler (S); Maudie Shreffler, Music Director; Clark Wayne (T); Amato Guariglia (T); and Bill Haley (A) and (T).

2nd row--Virginia Lee (T); Rosemary Hannah (S); Zelda Kappelman (E); Ananora Shields (E); Barbara Colvin (E); Marjorie Mitchell (S); Mildred Rankin, Head of Mail Room; Frankie Anderson (S); Lucile



Macleod (S); Marjorie Carlson (S); Louise Zimmerman (S); Kathryn Young, War Program Manager; Ethel Alexander (S); Opal Hartley (S); Myrtle Denney (S); Margaret Hitz (S); and Germaine Ravese (S).

3rd row--Mason Coppinger (E); Bill Bryan (A); James McGinnis (T); Gene Shipley (A); Ernie Quigley, Sports Editor; Ed Keene (T); Homer Cunningham (A) and (T); Don Hopkins (A); Bill Smith and Courtney Irving, Maintenance Department; Hoppi Corbin, Music Librarian; Bill Wilhite (T); and Jud Miller (T).

4th row--Harold Ruff, in charge of Engineering; Roy Carlson (T); Heinie Haynes (T); Olaf Soward (A); Col. Alex Zander Combs (T); Fred Warren (T); Ben Ludy, General Manager; Edmund Denney (T); Clyde Mason (T); Ardis Charles (T); Maureen Dawdy (T); Elsa Schlangen (T); Lois Kalish (S); Irvin Lehman (E); and Charles Hill, Publicity Director.



"Presenting: the organ artistry of Elsa!" Elsa Schlangen is at home equally well with the piano or organ. Likes to play for listeners and we know they like to hear Elsa play.



Busy with the bills is Ernest Thorn, auditor for WIBW. Here's one man who knows his figures! Has plenty of friends at the station, in spite of the fact that he makes out the paychecks.

Right--Smiling as though he's glad the job is over is Charles Hill, who is publicity director of WIBW and editor of this booklet.





Three swell girls -- and hear how they play--are Maureen Dawdy, violinist at left; Hazel Haley, center, vocalist-guitarist form-erly of network programs; and Alice Joyce Hensroth, accordionist.



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For distinguished services rendered in behalf of the War Savings Program this citation is awarded to

Ben Ludy

Gironander my hand and sout on January 29. 1943

Honry Morganthau Jr.

Left: This certificate was a gift from the United States Treasury to our General Manager, Ben Ludy, who heads the station's bond selling campaigns.

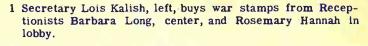
birthplace is Garnett.

Bob Dick, left, and Glenn Osborn put away their guitars after a session on the air. They're whizzes on those strings, too. Bob, red-haired, was born near Allen, Kansas, and Glenn's





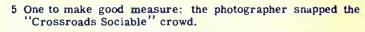




- 2 Bottom to top: Clark Wayne, Edmund Denney and the Shepherd of the Hills--the "Harmony Hicks."
- 3 "Ah's done been framed!" exclaims "Hambones," black-face comic, as he grins away others cares.
- 4 Alan Sells, staff photographer responsible for most of the shots in this booklet.







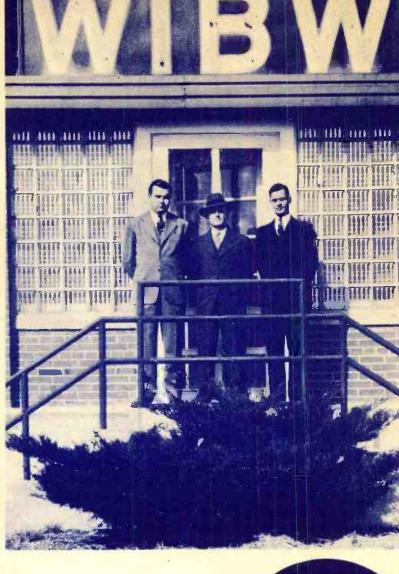
- 6 Secretaries off duty! Lower row: Louise Zimmerman, Elsie Shideler, Edna Hann. Top row, Kathryn Young, Marjorie Carlson.
- 7 Birthplace: Alabama, Voice rating: Low Alto, Hair: Red like Flaming Sun. She's Virginia Lee!
- 8 Hoppi Corbin, music librarian, picks out a number for one of the performers.



AT THE WIBW CONTROLS

Lower: These girl operators are hard at work feeding programs to the transmitter, riding gain, running disks. Left is Barbara Colvin at the controls, then Ananora Shields setting up a transcription, and Zelda Kappelman, checking with the transmitter engineer. Right: The engineers who keep WIBW on the air hours daily. Left to right are Mason Coppinger, Harold Ruff (engineer in charge) and Irvin Lehman in front of the modern transmitters.





FROM THE LISTENERS

Below left: 519,018 pieces of mail in 1942! Top row, left to right, Margaret Hitz, Mildred Rankin and Frankie Anderson. Lower row, Myrtle Denney and Marjorie Mitchell. Picture at Right Below: They helped, too! Left to right are Ethel Alexander, Alice Kaspar, Germaine Ravese, Opal Hartley, and Lucile Macleod. Inset: Mildred Rankin, head of Mail Room.





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WIBW: MEMBER STATION



Master of the quick quip, Fred Allen is curtain-raiser for "The Texaco Star Theatre."



"Take It or Leave It" suggests Phil Baker, when he presents the quiz of that title Sunday nights.



Original interview-type program, "Vox Pop" is still headed by one of its two creators, Parks Johnson.



Left--Star of radio concert and opera is Gladys Swarthout, vocalovely of "The Family Hour."

Right -- "No, George, you're wrong. It's this way," corrects Gracie as she checks hubby on the "Burns and Allen" series.

The lovable "River's End" medico, "Dr. Christian," is portrayed by one of Hollywood's most famous, Jean Hersholt.

"When the Moon Comes Over the Mountain" we'll still be listening to Kate Smith, who made the song of that title stick in our hearts.



FROM THE



Left--Whoops! Lester Damon and Claudia Morgan are sleuths in "The Adventures of the Thin Man."

Right--Foreign correspondent, author of "Berlin Diary", and now news analyst Sunday afternoons --William L. Shirer.





Left--Idol of millions!
Radio-ranging, bronchobusting troubadour of wide
open spaces! Sergeant in
the Army Air Forces-Gene Autry.

Right--Eddie Firestone, Jr., is ornery enough as Joey Brewster of "The Brewster Family."



A MISS who is a HIT of "Your Hit Parade" is Joan Edwards, warbler and pianist. Andre Kostelanetz conducts the versatile classical orchestra heard on "The Pause That Refreshes on the Air."

No. 1 starter of the nation's toe-tapping is Harry James, whose No. 1 dance band is heard thrice-weekly.





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Conrad Nagel is master-of-ceremonies of radio's newest "publications"--the "Radio Reader's Digest."



Dagwood and Mr. Dithers mix and "Blondie" unmixes 'em. She's Hollywood's Penny Singleton.



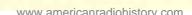
"Mayor of the Town," and a great one, is Lionel Barrymore.



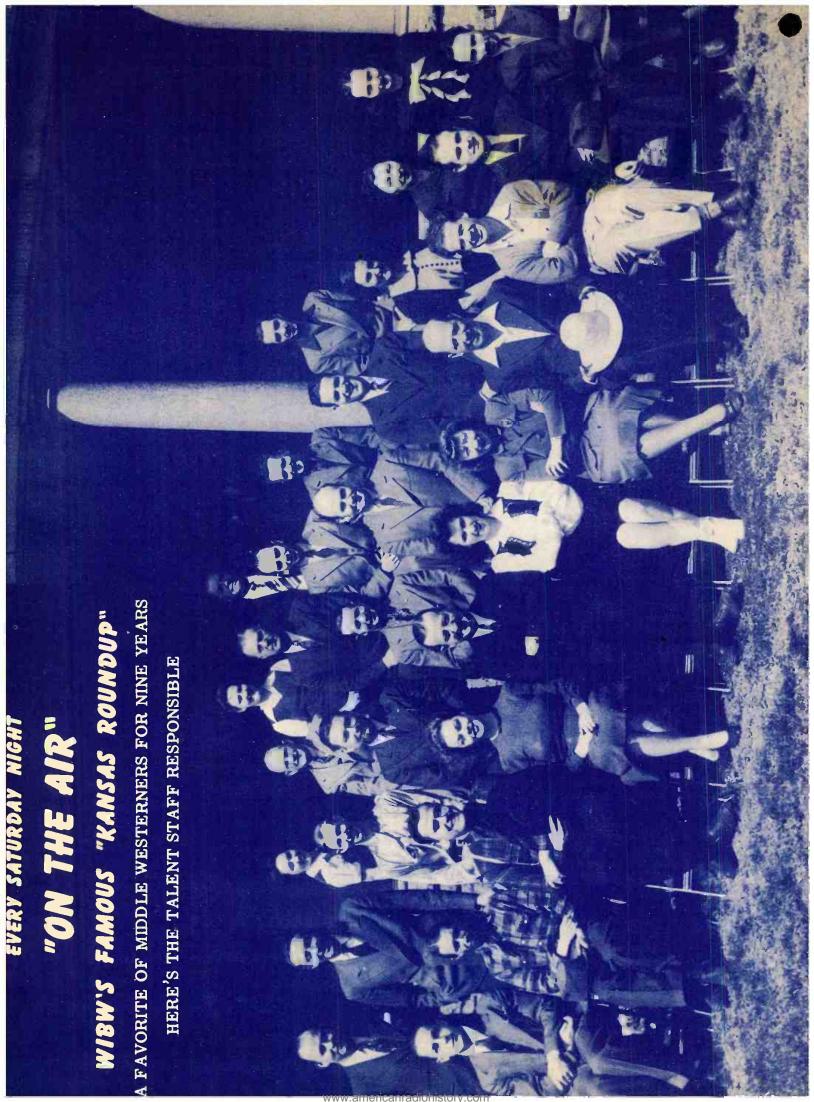
Al Jolson (left) comes to the point of a story he is telling his Tuesday-night co-star, Monty Woolley.

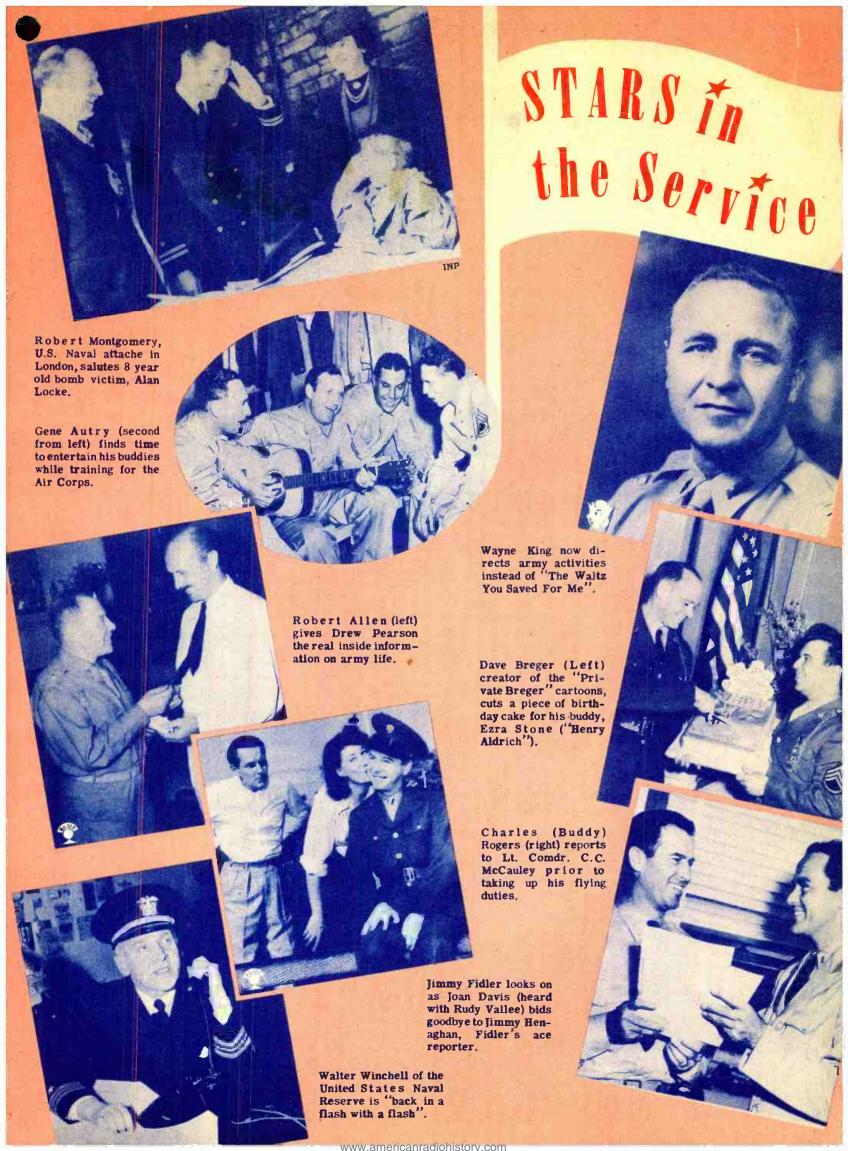
Milton Berle's comicalities are wrapped up in all sizes on "The Milton Berle Show."

Possible! So exclaims Harmonica-Playing Herb Shriner after one of his tall ones on the "Camel Comedy Caravan."













Naval cadets and sailors sing and play for radio audience.



A corner of the barracks serves as rehearsal room for this "jive" group.



All sergeants are not "hard-boiled". This one burlesques a "home-makers" hour, discussing a topic of child apparel that doesn't seem to impress the young admirers.



Soldiers fresh from field duty accompany Service Club worker in broadcast.



Radio network correspondents, wearing prescribed uniforms, report from maneuver areas.



Aviation cadets at Randolph Field have organized this Glee club for radio appearances.



Soldiers on duty in Washington, D.C. boast this Glee club.



Buddies gather 'round to enjoy some boogle woogle on a Service Club piano.



Maj. General Hugh Drum faces a battery of microphones.



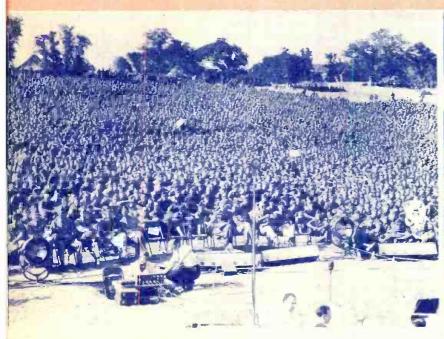
No spot is too tough for radio special events men. Here's one following the Army englneers during a river crossing.



Entertainment aboard ship enroute to Australia.



Sailors at Pensacola rehearse before broadcast.

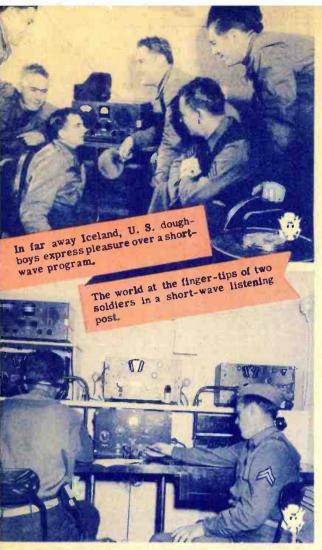


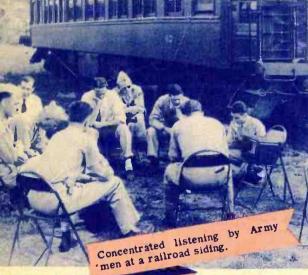
A soldier audience at an open air broadcast as seen by performing artists.



The Famous U. S. Marine Corps Band heard on many broadcasts.





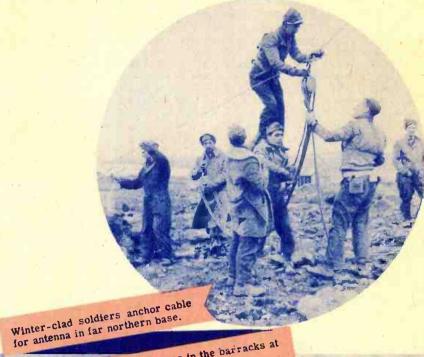






KEEPING IN TOUCH

Wherever they are, in training or in action, U.S. fighting forces look to radio to maintain their association with "home" -- it may be the voice of a friend, word from the home town or news from the good, old U.S.A. It all serves the same purpose for the service men who have no intentions of losing contact with things that were familiar before the war interrupted their lives. Radio does this job, too.





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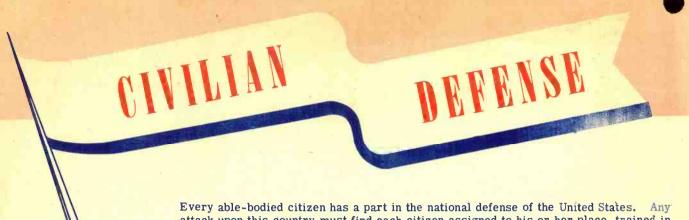
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Thousands of United States communities have organized and trained efficient Civilian Defense units and have conducted tests, drills and exhibitions to determine that each cog in the vital machinery of wardens, police, firemen, nurses, etc., will be capable of meeting any emergency.

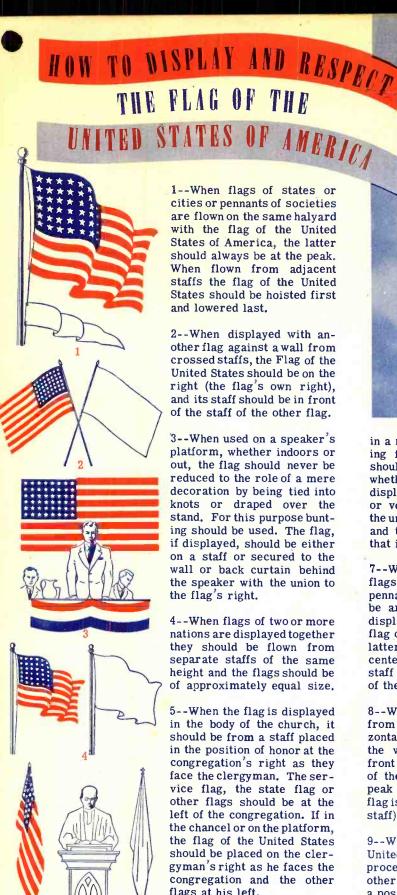
Only with the complete cooperation and support of those whom Civilian Defense is designed to serve and protect, can it operate smoothly and efficiently. You will recognize the Civilian Defense Workers by these insignia.



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- 6. DEMOLITION AND CLEARANCE

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- 12. ROAD REPAIR CREW
- 13. EMERGENCY FOOD AND HOUSING CORPS
- 14. MESSENGER
- 15. STAFF CORPS



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2--When displayed with another flag against a wall from crossed staffs, the Flag of the United States should be on the right (the flag's own right), and its staff should be in front of the staff of the other flag.

3--When used on a speaker's platform, whether indoors or out, the flag should never be reduced to the role of a mere decoration by being tied into knots or draped over the stand. For this purpose bunting should be used. The flag, if displayed, should be either on a staff or secured to the wall or back curtain behind the speaker with the union to the flag's right.

4--When flags of two or more nations are displayed together they should be flown from separate staffs of the same height and the flags should be of approximately equal size.

5--When the flag is displayed in the body of the church, it should be from a staff placed in the position of honor at the congregation's right as they face the clergyman. The service flag, the state flag or other flags should be at the left of the congregation. If in the chancel or on the platform, the flag of the United States should be placed on the clergyman's right as he faces the congregation and the other flags at his left.

6--When the flag is displayed

in a manner other than by being flown from a staff, it should be displayed flat, whether indoors or out. When displayed either horizontally or vertically against a wall, the union should be upper most and to the flag's own right, that is, to the observer's left.

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8--When the flag is displayed from a staff projecting horizontally or at an angle from the window sill, balcony or front of a building, the union of the flag should go to the peak of the staff (unless the flag is to be displayed at halfstaff).

9--Whenever the flag of the United States is carried in a procession in company with other flags, it should occupy a position in front of the center of the line of flags or en the right of the marching line.





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