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A FACTUAL RECORD OF THIS WEEK'S EVENTS IN TELEVISION PROGRAMMING

THIS WEEK -- NETWORK DEBUTS & HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday (Aug 4)

<u>DuM-</u> 9-11pm EDT; <u>DEBUT</u>; <u>Professional Wrestling</u>; from WABD(NY), to WTTG(Wash), 2 stations, live. § Participations. § Pkgr- Du Mont TV Net; Prod- James M. Dolan; Dir- Jim Saunders. § Marty Glickman handles the commentary for wrestling matches originating in Studio 5, Du Mont Telecenter in New York, rather than from a sports arena. The entire card, including the main bout, consists of five matches approved and supervised by the N. Y. State Athletic Commission.

OTHER NET CHANGES & ADDITIONS

- CBS- Frankie Laine Time (Wed, 8-9pm EDT) SPONSORSHIP CHANGE: Toni Co continues as weekly sponsor of 8-8:30pm portion. Frigidaire Div, GMC, and Pillsbury Mills, Inc., alternate week sponsors of the 8:30-9pm portion, continue, but with a sustaining period between each one's sponsorship, i.e., lst week, Frigidaire; 2nd week, sustaining; 3rd week, Pillsbury; 4th week sustaining, etc. (See pages 82, 85).
- DuM- All About Baby (Thu, 1:45-2pm EDT) Program continues, with Lorraine Douglas succeeding the late Mrs. Ruth Crowley. (See page 86).
- <u>NBC-</u> The World of Mr. Sweeney (Mon thru Fri, 4:30-4:45pm EDT) Program reverts to all live performances, effective Wed, Aug 3. Series has been intermixed live, kine and kine repeats since June 24.

NEW NETWORK SPONSORSHIPS

RALSTON FURINA CO (Purina Chows for poultry and livestock) thru Gardner Advertising Co(St. L.) will sponsor <u>Grand Ole Opry</u> every fourth Saturday over ABC-TV, 8-9pm EDT, starting in October on a date to be announced. The show will be carried live.

MILLER BREWING CO (Beer) thru Mathisson & Associates, Inc(Milwaukee) will sponsor half of the national telecast of the <u>College All-Star Football Game</u> over ABC-TV, Friday, Aug 12, 9:30pm to conclusion. STANDARD OIL CO (INDIANA) thru D'Arcy Advertising Co (Chi) will sponsor half of the telecast in the Midwest; ATLANTIC REFINING CO thru N.W. Ayer & Son, Inc(Phila), half in the East; UNION OIL CO OF CALIFORNIA thru Young & Rubicam, Inc(LA) in the Far West.



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WPIX(Ch 11) - <u>Ringabuk;</u> DEBUT Aug 6; Sat, 10-10:45pm EDT. Sustaining. Pkgr & Prod-Walt Framer Productions(NY); Dir- WPIX staffer, to be named. Del Sharbutt is m.c. for this viewer-audience participation show, with prizes

to be awarded based on serial numbers on dollar bills which match numbers posted on a board in the studio.

<u>WRCA-TV(Ch 4</u>)- <u>Television Workshop;</u> DEBUT Aug 6; Sat, 7-7:30pm EDT. Sustaining.
 <u>New York</u>
 <u>Fkgr-WRCA-TV;</u> Prod-Harry Olesker; Dirs-Various. Experimental program series, presenting new program ideas and concepts: audience participation programs, quizzes, panel shows, etc., each different. The series actually began on May 12, presented on the average of about once a week as part of the <u>Broken</u>-shire Show, Mon thru Fri, 1-2pm EDT. The workshop will continue thru Oct 15.

WBEM-TV(Ch 2)-
ChicagoTeen-Pinners; DEBUT Aug 6; Sat, 4-5pm CT. Sustaining. Pkgr & Prod-
WBEM-TV. Ray Rayner m.c.'s this teen-ager bowling competition, pre-
senting amateur bowlers in round-robin match play. Eventual winnerswill receive medals and will have checks donated in their names to youth organizations
or boys clubs. Amateur standing of the competitors is not affected by the donations.

KNXT(Ch 2) Los Angeles - Focus on Delinquency; DEBUT July 26; Tue, 7:30-8pm PT. Public Service. Pkgr- KNXT Fublic Affairs Dept; joint Prods & Dirs & Writers- William Whitley, Bill Stout, Irwin Rosten; Cameraman- Charles Short. Live and

film documentary series in six parts, featuring Bill Stout as narrator, the only professional used in filming the series. Films will also include interviews with top LA city officials.

KRCA-TV(Ch 4) - Impressions; DEBUT July 27; Wed, 7-7:30pm PT. Sustaining. Pkgr- KRCA-Ios Angeles TV. Roy Neal interviews guests with varied stories of local, national and international interest; with film clips and photos.

LOCAL FIIM SERIES -- DEBUTS & RE-RUNS

	(New Yor)	k, Chicago & Los Angeles)	=
STA & CHAN	SERIES TITLE & DISTRIB	SPONSOR & AGENCY	START DATE DAY TIME
New Morit			
WCBS(2)	*"Stories of the Century" (Hollywood TV Service)	-Open	6/25 Sat 5-5:30pm also 7/31 Sun 5-5:30pm
WPIX(11)	(Hollywood TV Service) *"The Whistler" (CBS Film Sales)	-Participations	5/29 Sun 9-9:30pm
WRCA(4)	(CBS FILL Sales) *"Mayor of the Town" (MCA-TV)	-Serutan Co thru Edward Kletter Associates(NY)	6/4 Sat 11:15-11:45pm
WRCA(4)	*"Patti Page Show" (Screen Gems, Inc)	-Oldsmobile thru D. P. Brother(Detroit)	7/4 Mon & Wed 6:30-6:45pm
<u>Chicago</u>			_
WGN(9)	<pre>#"Biff Baker, U.S.A." (MCA-TV)</pre>	-Cole-Finder(Lincoln- Mercury dealer) thru Irv Rocklin Associates(Chi)	6/21 Tue 9-9:30pm ving
WNBQ(5)	*"Patti Page Show" (Screen Gems)	-Oldsmobile thru D. P. Brother	7/1 Fri&Sun 10:30-10:45pm
Los Angeles			
KNXT(2)	*"Lucky Lager Sports Time"	Erickson(S.F.)	cCann- 6/1 Wed 10-10:30pm (moved from KTTV)
KAEC(7)	#"Conrad Nagel Theatre" (Guild Films)	-Hudson Dealers, Southern thru Brooke, Smith, Fren	nch & Dorrance
KTTV(11)	#"Where Were You?" (MCA-TV)	-Yeakel Bros(auto dealer)) 6/4 Sat 9-9:30pm
KTTV(11)	*"Frank Fontaine's Showtime" (Mercury-International)	-Pepsi-Cola Bottlers of I	
KTTV(11)	*"Draw with Me - Jon Gnagy"	-John J. Anthony's Paint Palette of Beverly Hills	
KTTV(11)	*"N.O.P.D." (UM&M)	-Fletcher Jones Chevrolet	t 6/17 Fri 9-9:30pm
KNXT(2)	*"Patt1 Page Show" (Screen Gems)	-Oldsmobile thru D. P. Brother(Detroit)	7/4 Mon & Wed 6:45-7pm
CODE: *Fi:	rst run in market #Re-runs		
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TALENT SHOWSHEET AUGUST 1-7, 1955

Most of the shows on July 29, 30, 31 were listed in last week's report. Changes & additions are included hare for the record. Multiple and across-the-board shows are grouped together after the listing for Friday, August 5. Script identifications used are: (0) original, (A) adaptation, (SW) staff-written, (SD) staff-directed. Ferformers are identified as singer (S), dancer (D), comic (C), musician (H). Actors who appear regularly are listed in the premiere cast, then subsequently referred to as "regulars". Live shows are listed in caps in the left column; filmed shows are in upper and lower case letters, underlined.

Generally only first runs af a film series are listed. During the summer when many shows are re-runs, credits are not repeated below but are available and may be requested at any time. Current-ly in network re-runs and omitted from the listings below are: Roy Rogers, Kodak Request Performance, Ray Eolger, Danny Thomas, Captain Midnight, Dragnet, My Little Margie, Adventures of Rin-Tin-Tin, Life With Father, It's a Great Life, Your Play Time, Spotlight Playhouse, General Elec-tric Theatre, Stage 7, Ray Milland, Medic, Ford, Summer Theater, Bob Cummings, Topper, Hall of Ivy, T Men in Action, TV Reader's Digest, etc.

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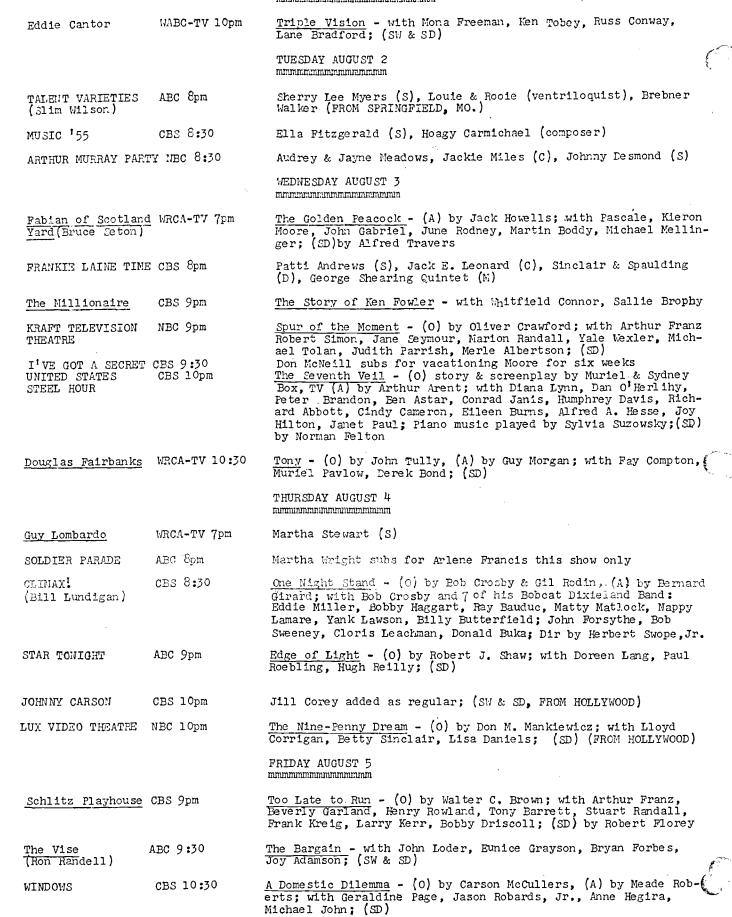
FRIDAY JULY 29

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Science Fiction T (Truman Bradley)	heatre WRCA-TV 7pp	n <u>The Frozen Sound</u> - with Marshall Thompson, Marilyn Erskine, Ray Collins, Michael Fox; (SW & SD)
		SATURDAY JULY 30 Numunumammumumammuma
OZARK JUBILEE (Red Foley)	ABC 7:30	Wanda Jackson (S), Jimmie Skinner (S), Rita Faye (S) (FROM SPRINGFIELD, MO.)
SWIFT'S SHOW WAGON	N NBC 7:30	Polly Bergen (S)
		SUNDAY JULY 31 minimuminimumini
LAMP UNTO MY FEET (Dr. Lyman Eryson)		The Outer Wall - (O) by Steven Gethers; with Madeleine Sher- wood, Joe Mantell, Martin Rudy;(SD)
LOOK UP AND LIVE	CBS 10:30	Jean Ritchie (S)
TOAST OF THE TOWN (Ed Sullivan)	CBS 8pm	Tops in Blue - winners of world-wide talent contest
CHANCE OF A LIFETI	NE ABC 9pm	Tommy Leonetti (S), Ann Morre (S&M), Jack Imel (M)
CAMEO THEATRE	NBC 10pm	Hutch - (0) by Terrence Kilpatrick; with Herbert Rudley, Ann Doran, Roscoe Ates, James Craven, Tom Loughlin; (SD, FROM H ¹ D)
		MONDAY AUGUST 1
Superman (George Reeves)	WRCA-TV 6pm	The Mystery of the Broken Statues - with regulars & Michael Vallon, Robert Shayne, Maurice Cass, Eud Mason, Wade Crosby, Joe Ray; (SW & SD)
Sherlock Holmes (Ronald Howard)	WRCA-TV 7pm	The Case of the Blind Man's Bluff - (0) by Lou Morheim; with Eugene Deckers, Gregor Aslan, Colin Drake, Margaret Russell, Richard Larke, Katy Vail, Yves Brainville; (SD)
CAESAR PRESENTS	NBC 8pm	Sunny Gale (S) & regulars; (SW & SD)
ARTHUR GODFREY'S TALENT SCOUTS	CBS 8:30	Olegna Fuschi (M), Betty Ann (S), The Diamonds (S): Phil Levitt Bill Redd, Tedd Kowalski, Dave Somerville
VOICE OF FIRESTONE	ABC 8:30	Mildred Miller (S)
Those Whiting Girl	<u>s</u> CBS 9pm	regulars &: Tommy Cook, Lucien Littlefield, Roy Schallert;(SW,D)
ETHEL AND ALBERT (Peg Lynch)	CBS 9:30	regulars & Margaret Hamilton, Helen Ray, Harrison Dowd, Helen Shields, William Keene, Dickie Orlan, Phil Kramer; (SW & SD)
ROBERT MONTGOMERY PRESENTS		<u>A Slightly Important Man</u> - (0) by Noel B. ^G erson; with regulars & William Zuckert, John Stratton, Harvey Hayes, Zidi Roberts, Ted Roberts; Dir by Ed King
STUDIO ONE SUMMER THEATRE ROSS REPORTS - 7/53		Julius Caesar - (0) by William Shakespeare, (A) by Leo Penn; With Theodore Bikel, Alfred Ryder, Edgar Stehli, Michael Strong, Shepperd Strudwick, Richard Morse, James O'Rear, Lawrence Ryle, Maria Brit-Neva, Joseph Leberman, Michael Conrad, Janet Ward, Roy Dean, George Mitchell, Tom Walsh, Stefan Gierasch, Carolyn Block, James Greene, Bruce Gordon, John Heldabrand, Michael Tolan (SD) by Dan Fetrie TALENT SHOWSHEET (more)



MONDAY AUGUST 1 (Cont'd)



MULTIPLE AND ACROSS-THE-BOARD SHOWS FRIDAY JULY 29 THRU FRIDAY AUGUST 5

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THE MORNING SHOW (Dick Van Dyke)	CBS 7am	regulars &: M - The Bryants (acro), Alexander Cohen (producer) N - DeLage & Shirley (magic), Mitch Miller (M)
GEORGE SKINNER	WCBS 9am	Bill Harrington subs for vacationing George Skinner all week; Tu - Zippy the Chimp
GARRY MOORE	CBS 10am	N thru F - Walter O'Keefe subs for vacationing Moore for six weeks; Thu - Charles Manna (C); F - Charlotte Rae (C), The Marcellis (novelty)
SHEILAH GRAHAM	NBC 10:45	Tu - Natalie Wood; F - Guy Madison; M thru F - Abbott & Cos- tello (FRCM HOLLYWOOD)
TENNESSE ERNIE FO	RD NEC 12N	M - Jaye P. Morgan (S); W - Bonnie Baker (S); F - Gloria Grey (S) (FROM HOLLYWCOD)
JACK PAAR	CES lpm	regulars &: M - Sid Hoff (cartoonist); Thu - Louis Nye
BROKENSHINE SHOW	WRCA-TV lpm	Thu - Workshop - <u>King Eee</u> - Prod by & (0) by Walter Garrity Sat - <u>Essays for 155</u> - with Martin Levin roading <u>Audio Loves</u> <u>Video</u> , Howard Whitman reading <u>Bringing Up Your Children</u> , & another essayist-reader to be announced.
ROBERT Q. LEWIS	CBS 2pm	Feter Donald subs for vacationing Lewis for 5 wks
THE TED MACK MATI	NEE NBC 3pm	M thru F - Dexter Alder (S) & regulars
WAY OF THE WORLD (Gloria Louis)	NBC 4pm	Come Alive - (0) by George Oppenheimer & Robert Sinclair, (A) by Keith Winter (10 episodes); with Anne Burr, Adrian Bayan, Addison Powell, Chester Stratton, Ethel Remey, Frederic Wor- lock; (SD)
WORLD OF MR. SWEENEY(Charlie Ru G. Walken, H. Wagn	ggles,	regulars &: M - Jean Cleveland; Tu - Charles Egelston, Charles Mendick, Dulcie Cooper; W - all live series resumes with cast to be announced; (SW & SD)
MODERN ROMANCES (Martha Scott)	NBC 4:45	M thru F - The Steady Man - author & cast credits not available at press time; (SD)
SIX O'CLOCK REPORT	WCB3 6:10	M thru F - Bill Hickey subs for vacationing Jim McKay
VAUGHN MONROE	NEC 7:30 (COLOR)	W - Martin Brothers Puppeteers, Sandy Stewart (S); F - Kay Ar- men
UPBEAT!	CBS 7:45	Tu & Thu - Connie Russell (S) & regulars except that The Mello- Larks sub for The Honeydreamers this week
JULIUS LaROSA	CBS 7:45	W - Dolores Hawkins (S)
		SATURDAY AUGUST 6
Commando Cody (Judd Holdren)	NBC llam	<u>Nightmare Typhoon</u> - (SW) by Ronald Davidson; with regulars & Lyle Talbot, Craig Kelly, John Crawford, Paul Livermore, Wil- liam Fawcett, Eddie Foster, Gloria Pall, Dale Van Sickel;(SD)
Stories of the Century (Jim Davis)	WCBS-TV 5pm	<u>Chief Crazy Horse</u> - (0) by Maurice Tombragel; with regulars & George Keymas; (SD)
SIX O'CLOCK REPORT	WCBS 6pm	Ned Calmer vacations this week & next; Ron Cochran subs
OZARK JUBILEE	ABC 7:30	regulars & Tommy Collins (S) (FROM SPRINGFIELD, MO.)
AMERICA'S GREATEST BANDS(Paul Whitema	CBS 8pm n)	Vincent Lopez, Emilio Keyes, Buddy Morrow, Mitch Miller & their respective bands
MUSICAL CHAIRS	NBC 9pm	Rose Marie (S) (FROM HOLLYWOOD)
Texaco Star Theatre (Donald O'Connor)	e NBC 9:30	Mary Ellen Terry
TV'S TOP TUNES	CBS 10pm	Ella Fitzgerald (S), Pat Boone (S), Les Elgart $\&$ his band
Damon Runyon The atre	CBS 10:30	<u>A Nice Price</u> - (0) by Harry Clork; with James Dunn, Kathryn Grant, Wally Vernon, Jack Kruschen, George Graham, James Craven, Virginia Dale; (SD)

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TALENT SHOWSHEET (more)

SATURDAY AUGUST 6 (Cont¹d)

Mayor of the Town LRCA-TV 11:15 (Thomas Mitchell)	The Composer - (0) by Jameson Brewer; with regulars & Jean By- ron, Edward Clark, Claudia Barrett, Harry Harvey, Robert Boone
	SUNDAY AUGUST 7
Mild Bill Hickok MCBS-TV 11:30	<u>Sheriff's Secret</u> - with regulars & Patricia Lynn; (SW&SD)
FRONTIERS OF FAITH NEC 3pm	<u>Hint of an Explanation</u> - (0) by Graham Greene; other credits to be announced; (SD)
<u>Stories of the</u> UCBS-TV 5pm <u>Century</u> (Jim Davis)	<u>Sontag & Evans</u> - (0) by Maurice Tombragel; with Morris Ankrum, John Smith & regulars; (SD)
Captain Gallant of NBC 5pm the Foreign Legion	Esprit de Corps - (0) by Hal Bloom; with regulars & Vida Mor- ley, Jacques Brunius, Jean Werner, John Nash; (SD)
IT'S MAGIC(Tripp) CBS 7pm	Al Flosso, A. Robbins, Kuda Bux (all magic)
TOAST OF THE TOWN CBS ⁸ pm (Ed Sullivan)	Scenes from <u>Julius Caesar</u> and <u>The Tempest</u> - Shakespeare's plays as produced at the Stratford Festival, with Raymond Massey, Jack Palance, Hurd Hatfield, Christopher Plummer & others; Max Bygraves (C), Eartha Kitt (S), Mindy Carson (S), Bill Haley's Comets (M) (FROM STRATFORD, CONN.)
COLGATE VARIETY NEC 9pm HOUR	Edgar Bergen & Charlie McCarthy, the Four Vagabonds (S), Hedda Hopper, Muriel Abbott Dancers, Conrad Hilton, film clip from <u>To Catch a Thief</u> with Cary Grant and Grace Kelly. (FROM H ¹ WOOD)
PHILCO TELEVISION NEC 9pm PLAYHCUSE	<u>A Room in Paris</u> - (O) by Peggy Mann; with John Cassavetes, Kath- leen Maguire, Al Markim, Caprice Chantel; (SD)
<u>The Whistler</u> NPIX 9pm	<u>Lady in Waiting</u> - with Nancy Gates, Craig Stevens, Taylor Holmes, Vic Perrin, Gene D'Arcy, Ann Loos, Larry Blake, Steve Pendleton, Don Kerr, William Forman; (SD)
CHANCE OF A LIFETIME ABC 9pm	Sarah Fleming (S), Baron Buika (M), Jack Imel (M)
APPOINTMENT WITH CBS 10pm Adventure	<u>Never to Know</u> - (0) by Eugene Francis; with Denise Lor (S), others to be announced; (SD)
	K TALENT AVAILABILITIES
THEODORE BIKEL - actor who is stal <u>Caesar in this week's Studio</u> as the father of the child with <u>Heart</u> , next attraction at the AGT: Ina Bernstein, MCA, PL 9-	th The Divided ment with Adventure (see above) - AGT: George Morris, MU 8-0960
<u>KARL MALDEN</u> - leaving starring role <u>perate Hours</u> on August 13 - PF Perlman, CI 5-9125	
LYNDA LYNCH - understudy who steppe Gallagher's role last Wednesda Game - PRESS: R. Rabinovitch,	uy, in Pajama with her brother Dick - SU 7-5400 LA 4-1859
MADELEINE SHERVOOD - in Cat on a Ho	<u>DENISE ALEXANDER</u> - child actress - PL 3-4366 t Tin Roof
& Lamp Unto My Feet on July 31	

- <u>GERALD PRICE</u> in Fanny AGT: Robert Lantz, PL 5-6850
- <u>PORTER VAN ZANDT</u> actor, currently working as <u>Production Stage Nanager of The Bad Seed</u> -LE 2-1100
- SANDRA DEEL regular on <u>Gaesar Presents</u> AGT: Baum-Newborn, MJ 8-1380
- MARJORIE GATESON starring in <u>Quiet Vedding</u> at John Drew Theatre, Easthampton, L.I. - MU 2-8060
- DOUGLAS FLETCHER RODGERS currently in Plain and Fancy GR 7-2986
- MARK ROBERTS AGT: Milton Goldman, MU 8-0840
- $\frac{\text{ADDISON RICHARDS}}{\text{SU }7\text{-}5400} \text{ film } \& \text{ TV character actor }$
- RALPH ROBERTS in Witness for the Prosecution MU 8-8142

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ROSETTA LE NOIRE - last in Take a Giant Step -AGT: Julie Leonard, UN 5-1821

TALENT AVAILABILITIES

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