

Steve Allen Discloses Plan To Shift 'Tonight' TV Show To Pacific Coast

New York—(U.P.)—Steve Allen, who keeps more people awake than coffee, has disclosed that the shift of his "Tonight" show to the West Coast "looks about 54 per cent set."

"We won't be able to move for about six months," said Allen. "It's a terrible mish-mash to arrange for the movement of such a gang of people. And we won't desert New York entirely. We plan to bring the show back every three months or so for a couple of weeks."

Allen, proprietor of the relaxed after-hours session since it was launched on NBC-TV in September, 1954, returned only recently to Manhattan. He spent most of the summer in Hollywood filming "The Benny Goodman Story," channeling the "Tonight" show from the movie capital.

"I think the show was better out there," said Allen. "The Hollywood studio is more suited to my type of show—the audience is smaller and almost everybody sits downstairs."

Behind Allen's projected move, too, are personal reasons. He has sentimental ties with Los Angeles where he got his first big break running a disk jockey show. In addition, his three sons by a previous marriage all go to school on the West Coast and Allen is anxious to be near them.

Allen said he planned no change in the format of his show. "We don't need a change, frankly because we have no format. As it stands now, we can do anything we want."

Few viewers would contest that statement. Allen, a literate, engaging kind of guy, has interviewed everyone from Carl Sandburg to Gina Lollobrigida.

On the stove right now, Allen said, were plans for another movie possibly a remake of "My Man Godfrey." He is also hopeful that a serious series, "The Psychiatrist," which he and his wife, Jayne Meadows, produced, may land in a TV slot.

Most of Allen's fans are un-

aware of it, but the TV funny-man is also a serious writer. On Oct. 4, a book of Allen's short stories, "Fourteen For Tonight," will be published. He's also hard at work on a novel, "Presumption And Despair," and this spring he'll also publish a volume of serious poetry.

Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS

Sen. Everett M. Dirksen (R-Ill.) expressing hope President Eisenhower will be able to run for a second term:

"Duty is the shiny iridescent word the President learned at West Point. The President knows and will know where his duty lies."

Budget Director Rowland R. Hughes on prospects of balancing the budget by next summer:

"I think it can be done . . . I can't do it all myself . . . it's a teamwork proposition."

Dr. Paul Dudley White, nationally known heart specialist who treated President Eisenhower, after receiving a report on the latest cardiogram of the President:

"He's not out of the woods yet, but he's coming along nicely. The cardiogram was a favorable one and he seems to be making good progress toward recovery."

Chicago Alderman Patrick P. Petrone, urging that a wartime emergency measure banning unescorted women at bars be repealed:

"Now that we are back to normal, it is appropriate that we give women equal rights at the bar."

Spokesman for Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson on visit by Adlai Stevenson to Johnson's ranch:

"Anyone is wrong who attempts to read any high level political significance into the meeting. It simply isn't there. It is purely social."

Sen. Hubert H. Humphrey (D-Minn.) on the number of candidates who will seek the Democratic presidential nomination in 1956:

"We're loaded. Our convention in Chicago next summer will be a real donnybrook."



NEW MERCURY—Pictured above is the new Mercury automobile for 1956, which goes on display tomorrow at Medford Motors, Sixth and Ivy sts. Bigger in performance, power and appearance, this Monterey coupe emphasizes the lower silhouette of the entire line of Mercurys for 1956. With 13 models in three

series—Montclair, Monterey and Custom—Mercury offers a variety of color and fabric combinations. A new Mercury Safety-Surge V-8 engine with a 312 cubic inch displacement further enhances Mercury's acceleration and power.

Phoenix Retains Engineering Firm For Sewage Survey

Phoenix — Harvey and Watkins, Medford consulting engineers, have been retained by the city of Phoenix to survey possible sewage disposal facilities for Phoenix. The engineers will report feasibility of at least three different possibilities.

The three possible plans are:

1. Construction of a disposal plant for the city of Phoenix.
2. Construction of a disposal plant for both Phoenix and South Bear creek sanitary sewer district.
3. Connecting, through South Bear Creek sanitary district, to Medford's disposal plant.

Earlier this year, residents of Phoenix approved a \$40,000 bond issue for financing installation of disposal facilities. They also approved installation of a sewer system within the city, to be financed through assessments against property served.

Step Toward Installation

Retaining consulting engineers to survey possibilities moves the city a step nearer to installation of a sewer system for the first time in the more than 100-year history of Phoenix. When founded, the town of more than 400 residents was known as Gasburg.

Septic tanks, which are now

being used, are causing serious sanitary conditions throughout the town, Mayor Dan Adams pointed out.

English Mayor Denies Discrimination Charge

Margate, England—(U.P.)—The mayor of Margate denied Tuesday charges by a U.S. congressman that Negro American servicemen are refused service here. Rep. Adam Clayton Powell (D-N.Y.) made the discrimination charge on his return from a tour in England. "His complaints are a lot of nonsense," said Mayor C.S.F. Witts.

A Nichol's Worth of . . .

Comment On This and That

By HARMAN W. NICHOLS
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Washington — (U.P.) — Frogs are funny things. All we hear here are croaks. But down in Southeastern Brazil they have frogs that cackle like hens, grunt like pigs, quack and waddle like ducks, caw like crows, and make noises like crickets.

All of this information comes from the Smithsonian Institution. Our authority is Dr. Doris M. Cochran, an associate curator of reptiles and amphibians in the U.S. National Museum, which is connected with the institution.

Dr. Cochran has been with the museum for 36 years and has been correlating information from a recent expedition into Brazil.

The gray-haired, hazel-eyed lady—with all that experience—knows how to separate one frog from another.

"Don't undersell the frog," she said. "They can be of great help. Take the 'Bufo Marinoo.' Those caught down there were transferred to Guam and other parts of the sugar countries. The 'Bufo' ate himself fat on beetles and other insects that were eating the leaves of sugar plants like mad. Saved those people hundreds of thousands of dollars."

Also, said Dr. Cochran, there are the giant toads, whose head-gland secretes adrenalin. The space is too short to de-

scribe the frogs that cackle like the egg-layer. But we can give you something on the frog that goes like a pig.

"This one," Dr. Cochran said, "is Aparasphenodon."

"This critter is about three inches long and is almost pure gold in color. Its voice, a sort of baritone, sounds like the grunt of a frustrated boar."

"It's kind of a slow grunt," said Dr. Cochran. "It sleeps in the daylight in the large leaves of bromeliads—trees of the pineapple. In the dark of night the frogs hit for the ponds to look for bugs, and while looking, grunt like pigs to keep the rest of the population awake all night."

The mating calls are something to hear. There is for instance, the chorus of what Dr. Cochran and the rest of the frog experts like to call the "tin-pan frog." These clowns, the males, gather each night for a chorus. Their idea of a chorus is to gather in a throaty "ensemble" and give off a booming metallic sound which, according to the lady museum expert, sounds something like "a bunch of blacksmiths using hammers on the anvils."

Sometimes, Dr. Cochran said, this business lasts all night. Which must be pretty awful for neighbor frogs that work hard for a meal in the daytime.

And then, according to the expert, there is the "Hyla Similis"—the one which quacks like a duck and waddles like one. These amphibians swarm like bees. They sometimes gather for a meeting—hundreds to the same tree.

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