

Only Thing Certain About TV Show Is Jackie Gleason

NEW YORK (AP)—There are many rumors about plans for the Jackie Gleason Show when it begins on CBS-TV Oct. 3, but the only solid information is that Gleason will be on it and so will Buddy Hackett.

Hackett was talking the other day to a fellow who's been telephoning Gleason at a Peekskill, N. Y., number and never getting an answer.

"He's not there," said Hackett, "but if he was he still couldn't answer. That phone is just a bell up on top of a telephone pole."

At any rate, Hackett joined Gleason for three days recently to discuss the new show.

"We played golf for three days," said Hackett, "and we talked golf for three days. As I was coming away, Jackie said, 'The more laughs you get on the show the better I'll like it. I admire you most because you're a good actor.'"

"And I'd like to say I admire Gleason most because he's the only comedian in the country who's funnier than I am and who'd have the nerve to hire me as second man."

"When you're playing second man, you've got to discipline yourself and not appear to the audience that you're stealing lines."

One thing Hackett would like to get straight now is that it's "pre-ordained" he'll be with Gleason only one season—24 half-hour variety shows with the option of eight more.

The year after this, if Gleason returns to television, "I don't

want people asking what happened to Hackett," Hackett said. "Because I can tell you right now that Hackett will be in Europe doing a filmed series for television about an American photographer."

His Name Is Stanley, But It Could Be Dennis

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Three-year-old Stanley Henes, wearing boxer shorts, moccasins and a big smile, left home yesterday.

Though he didn't have any money, he got on the subway-elevated line from his home in the Kensington section and went for a joyride clear to the end of the line at suburban Upper Darby, a trip of several miles. On the way back he stopped off at City Hall to check up on things there.

Then he started home. Meanwhile, his frantic mother, who had parked him in the family yard to play, notified police. They looked high and low, but they never thought of the el.

Stanley, on his way home, fell into conversation with a couple of older men—say 15 or 16 years of age—who found out his name and notified the police.

Officers returned him to his worried family, tired and more than a little dirty.

In one grimy little fist, he clutched 30 cents—representing a clear profit for the day's activities.

He didn't say where the money came from.

"DENNIS THE MENACE"



"COME ON, GEORGE—SHAKE HANDS! AND THEN WE CAN THROW THIS GILLY SIGN AWAY!"

General Sets South Tour

PARIS (AP)—Premier de Gaulle flew south today on a tour of French African territories to drum up votes for his new constitution in the Sept. 28 referendum.

The general's first destination was Madagascar, an Indian Ocean island off Africa that is larger than France. Then he will visit Brazzaville, Equatorial Africa, where he pledged local self-government to French colonies in a World War II speech as leader of the Free French; Abidjan, Conakry and Dakar, in West Africa; and rebellion-torn Algeria.

In the referendum the people of these territories will vote on an equal basis with Frenchmen for the first time.

De Gaulle favors letting the territories choose between full integration into the French government structure or loose federation, but his Cabinet reportedly has abandoned the idea of federation. However, talks the Premier has with local leaders on his trip are expected to have considerable bearing on his future plans for France's overseas possessions.

De Gaulle is scheduled to return to Paris at the end of the month. Vice Premier Guy Mollet is in charge during his absence.



TOM TALL

Opry Star Is Guest Singer

Saturday night's guest artist at the Red Barn in Dorris will be Tom Tall, now in the Northwest on a personal appearance and promotional tour from the Grand Ole Opry in Nashville, Tennessee. Tall will be appearing in Portland and Seattle before returning to take part in the Ozark Jubilee.

Tom has been singing and playing the guitar professionally since he was 14 years of age, when he already had his own radio show in Texas. He is now 21 and has 15 records to his credit, three of which rated nationwide popularity among country and western music fans.

Tom's latest record, under the Crest label, is "Mary Jo" and "Stack a Records." He will have a new release of two more original songs, "To Be Alone" and "High School Love," around the first of September.

Tom will appear on Saturday's program with Pee Wee Sidham and his Butte Valley Rangers; dancing from 9 to 1, Pacific Standard Time.

Photog Turns Childhood Toy Into 'Living Doll'

By GAY PAULEY UPI Women's Editor
NEW YORK (UPI)—Photographer Dare Wright has turned a childhood toy into "a living doll." The result is delight for thousands of child readers and a whole profitable new career for a tall, willowy blonde who also used to model.

Dare Wright's author and illustrator of "The Loney Doll," a best-seller among books for the young set, and its just-published sequel, "Holiday for Edith and the Bears."

The heroine of both books is a doll, which Miss Wright named for her mother, Edith Stevenson Wright, the portrait artist and widow of Ivan Leonard Wright, once the drama critic on the Toronto Star.

"Edith" is much like dolls cherished by other small girls anywhere, until Miss Wright turns her camera on its tiny form, little girl face and long mop of straight blonde hair. Then she becomes animated and gets into all sorts of scrapes.

Miss Wright believes she is the first to try photographic animation of inanimate objects for children's books. She explained, in an interview, she got the doll for her seventh birthday. It was once a favorite toy, but as she grew up in Cleveland, Edith ended up in attic storage.

Dare came to New York to try acting and said she didn't do too badly—"I had some small parts and some good understudy jobs on Broadway, but they weren't enough to pay the rent."

So she turned to modeling and her face and clothes-horse figure graced many slick fashion magazines. At the same time, mannequin Wright began picking up camera know-how.

By this time, Miss Wright was settled in a large, one-room studio apartment in New York and decided it was time to ship some things from home.

"I unpacked one truck and there was Edith among all the books," said the author. "I dusted her off, made her a wig out of a false chignon I had, and started her sitting for the camera."

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Hedy Lamarr Refiles Suit

NEW YORK (AP)—Actress Hedy Lamarr has restored a \$19,500 suit against her former husband, actor John Loder. The action involves a \$6,500 judgment and \$13,000 in alleged back alimony.

Miss Lamarr was divorced from Loder, her third husband, in 1947. She abandoned her original suit last January, when a general agreement was reached by attorneys in the case.

But she complained in State Supreme Court yesterday that the agreement never was carried out by Loder, now in England. A hearing on her motion to reinstate the case was set for Aug. 27.

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Teeners Berserk When Favorite Fails To Win

OSLO (AP)—Ten thousand teenagers went berserk Wednesday night because their Norwegian favorite wasn't crowned king of the rock 'n' roll.

Pandemonium broke after the six judges chose a Swede. The spectators tried to rush the stage. A cordon of police and stadium attendants halted them while the newly crowned king and the judges—two Swedes and two Norwegians—sneaked out the back way.

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County Will Refuse Offer

MEDIA, Pa. (AP)—Delaware County has been offered all the garbage and refuse it can burn. Gregorio Vassiliev, Russian-born industrial engineer in Buenos Aires, offered to round up tons of South American garbage as incinerator representative for the county neighboring Philadelphia.

Vassiliev, who said in his letter that he can speak eight languages, apparently misread the county's advertising. Clearance L. Conner, head of the county disposal department, said.

His letter came in answer to an ad for a superintendent for the county's three planned incinerators, which will cost six million dollars. Vassiliev said he could line up Argentina's refuse supply plus millions of tons more from other South American countries.

"I'm going to decline his offer immediately," said Conner, "before he shows up here with a string of garbage scows."

Owner Will Buy Animals Back

CHICAGO (AP)—Ralph Simons' stuffed animals were selling like crazy. The trouble was he wasn't selling them.

Simons, a carnival concessionaire, was asleep at home during the sale Wednesday.

Youngsters found the animals in his parked car and promptly sold 30 of them. The hottest item appeared to be small pandas—going for 50 cents.

Simons later told police each doll, panda and teddy bear cost him \$4.

"I'd buy them back at \$2 each," he said, "no questions asked."

Hollywood (AP)—Edward G. Robinson, 64, is in excellent condition following minor bladder surgery. Attendants at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital said the actor probably will be discharged soon.

Washington (AP)—The Veterans Administration said Wednesday an additional \$104,770 will be made available during the current fiscal year to the Roseburg, Ore., VA Hospital.

Notifying Sen. Richard Neuberger and Rep. Charles Porter, Oregon Democrats, of the action, the VA said the money would be used to improve care of patients. The original allocation was \$2,196,676.

Mother, Two Tot's, Drown

PANAMA CITY, Fla. (AP)—Two next-door neighbor women took their children to play at a lake yesterday. One mother and her two children drowned. The other, clasping her 14-month-old daughter in her arms, was rescued by two teen-age boys.

Mrs. William Holley saw her 3-year-old son Ben wade into deep water. With her daughter Rene, less than a year old, in her arms she ran to help her son.

All apparently fell into a deep hole in the lake and drowned.

Her neighbor Mrs. Genette Purvis went to their rescue. With her daughter in her arms, Mrs. Purvis found herself in trouble in the water. She screamed for help.

Two boys pulled her and her child to safety. Then they dived for the other mother and her children. It was too late, however, when they brought their bodies from the lake.

The young rescuers were Robert Clemmons, 14, and James Tate, 13.

The husbands of the two women were at work.

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