

Video Interview Series Begins Sixth Year On Air

By CHARLES MERCER
NEW YORK (AP)—"We often wonder how you get on 'Person to Person,'" said Jesse Zousmer, coproducer of the show. "And we still don't know how you get on this show," said coproducer John A. Aaron. "Person to Person," which people are interviewed in their homes by Edward R. Murrow, returns to the home screen Friday evening over CBS-TV.

The guests will be comedian Jerry Lewis in his California home and Cmdr. William R. Anderson, who will be interviewed aboard the atomic submarine Nautilus in Groton, Conn.

Although Aaron and Zousmer like to play it somewhat vague on how they select their guests, they are not at all vague about one thing. In unison they say as "Person to Person" begins its sixth year: "It will always stay live. If the program ever went to film, it would lose all its spontaneity and die."

A fellow chatting with them said that one reason he enjoyed watching the show is the perpetual anticipation, seldom realized, that something might go hilariously wrong. Aaron and Zousmer, who are as protective of their guests' sensibilities as mother hens, fell silent.

The fellow recalled the guest who started to take the TV audience through his home via "Person to Person" live cameras and walked straight into a closet. Then there was the time Sid Caesar forgot his wife's name and the time Mrs. Pat Weaver's zipper

broke and the time Bob Hope's hands shook with nervousness and the time—

"That's what we mean by the spontaneity of live television," Aaron said. "If such things happened in filming we'd feel ethically bound to re-make shots."

"The public knows the difference," Zousmer added. "If we went to film people would quickly feel the show was rehearsed and phony."

Although there are no "rehearsals," Aaron and Zousmer often exert directorial powers to help the people Murrow interviews. They have made men guests change their ties and ordered women guests to change from expensive dinner dresses into something less conspicuous. Except in the case of as renowned a drinker as Toots Shor, they never permit the cameras to show a bar in a home the program visits.

It's also true that they have pursued some reluctant people for years in order to bring them to "Person to Person." For example, Marilyn Monroe, the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, Sophia Loren, Vivien Leigh have made their only live TV appearances on the program.

Sir Winston Churchill is the only person they would consent to film—and they'd probably row a boat to England to do it.

They believe that the most nervous guests on the program are comedians. Their theory: "Comedians can't make up their minds whether to be themselves or try to act like comedians."

The calmest guests are athletes. Murrow's theory, to which they subscribe: "Athletes are used to taking instructions. And as Yogi Berra put it: 'There's nothing to it. What the heck, nobody's charging you with spikes out.'"

"DENNIS THE MENACE"



"HOW COME MY FOOD IS ALWAYS SO DARN SLIPPERY?"

Actor Hopes For Success After 14 Years Absence

By BOB THOMAS
AP Motion Picture Writer
HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Consider the strange case of Alan Marshall. Fifteen years ago, he was riding the crest of popularity. A handsome leading man in films like "Lydia" and "Tom, Dick and Harry," he seemed to have everything he needed—success in his profession, fame, etc.

He played opposite Irene Dunne in the immensely popular "White Cliffs of Dover," followed it with a comedy, "Bride by Mistake," with Laraine Day. Then disappeared from sight.

Fourteen years later, he is making another movie, "The House on Haunted Hill." What happened in between?

He gave some explanation during a lunch break as he was finishing the movie at Allied Artists. The suave mustache was gone, but he seemed as deucedly handsome as when he was playing opposite the screen's loveliest ladies.

"I underwent a kind of mental turmoil," he explained. "There was a long period when I didn't appear to be able to make up my mind. Producers would send me

scripts and I'd read them. But I couldn't tell them whether I would or would not do the pictures. Gradually they stopped sending me scripts."

He didn't elaborate on the nature of his turmoil, but said with an English reserve that he didn't think the public would be interested. He did say that he did not consult a psychiatrist, but felt he could cure his problem by himself. After a number of years, he felt that he had made the cure.

"But then it was too late," he remarked. "The picture business had passed me by. The producers seemed to have forgotten me."

Unable to find work in films, he went east and got a few roles in TV dramas. He toured briefly in a play, then returned to Hollywood.

In recent months, his career has brightened. He made a good impression in a Perry Mason film, then did a G.E. Theater and a couple of Western TV segments. "The House on Haunted Hill" developed and there are other roles

in the offing for him. "I am pretty hopeful," Marshall commented, "though they don't seem to be making the kind of picture I used to do. Everything seems to be Westerns and horror pictures and juvenile delinquency. I was always pretty much typed as an Englishman. "Actually, though I was born in Australia, I have lived here since I was 5 and went to school in New York. But I started playing the classics at an early age and I hold onto an English accent because I liked it."

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Famous Whodunit Novelist Dies In Sleep At Age 82

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Mrs. Rinehart was a wealthy woman from the time she published her first book, "The Circular Staircase." That novel alone was believed to have earned her up to nine million dollars in stage, screen and television sales. It was dramatized under the title of "The Bat."

Mrs. Rinehart was a prolific writer of not only mysteries but books with a medical theme. Her interest in that subject may be traced to the fact she married Stanley M. Rinehart, a doctor, after training as a nurse herself. During World War I Mrs. Rinehart served as a correspondent.

She interviewed Queen Mary of Great Britain and King Albert and Queen Elizabeth of Belgium. Mrs. Rinehart once described writing as "the hardest work in the world" but she continued to turn out her novels as late as her 76th year, when she published "The Swimming Pool," a mystery set in Bar Harbor, Maine, where she had a home.

Even before publication of that book, it was estimated her novels had sold more than 10 million copies in 13 languages. Most of the novels were serialized in magazines and many were made into movies and television productions.

Mrs. Rinehart, who died in her Park Ave. apartment, was born into a modest Pittsburgh family in 1876. She is survived by three sons and six grandchildren. Her husband died in 1932.

Young Grandmom

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UPI)—Mrs. James Wilmoth is just 28 years old, but she already has two grandchildren.

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Retired Teachers Hold Session

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During the business meeting, the president of the local group of RTA gave a report of the recent state executive board meeting at Roseburg which she and the vice president, Elsie Burton, attended. National Retired Teachers Association insurance was also discussed.

A social time concluded the afternoon. Not only are retired teachers invited to attend, but those who have taught school at any time are welcome.

Black Widow

Another black widow spider has been found in Klamath Falls, this time at the Jack Silts residence in the Chelsea Addition. The spider, discovered under the kitchen sink by the Silts' 8-year-old daughter, Jackie, is described as being exceptionally large.

Film Star To Offer Advice On NBC Radio's 'Monitor'

By CHARLES MERCER
NEW YORK (AP)—Marlene Dietrich, a woman of philosophical mind whom men seldom view philosophically, will launch a weekend radio program Oct. 4 in which she answers listeners' inquiries on life, love and the pursuit of happiness.

Her throaty voice will be heard in a series of four minute time spots on NBC Radio's "Monitor."

"I'll answer the questions I know something about," she said the other day, "and only serious questions. I can summarize every-

thing that I basically say with three words: Do your duty."

Miss Dietrich, who is as beautiful as ever, said that she already has received more than 500 letters from people ranging from teenagers to octogenarians in response to an NBC announcement of her program. A great many are from people who say they are lonely.

"All people are often lonely," she said. "I'm often lonely. What really is so bad about that?"

"In this country too many people try to crawl from the age-old fact that life is hard. They are not to blame because they are brought up to believe that life should be a bed of roses."

"But in Europe people are brought up with the idea that life is hard and so they're better equipped to take it when they face it."

"Many people write and say that something must be wrong with them because they get depressed. I wish they could understand that stupid, cold people are the only ones who never are depressed. I am often depressed. All sensitive people often are, and only the sensitive learn the deeper and more valuable things of life."

"I hope to tell them that depression is a part of life. And you should not try to push life from you. She thrust her hands out quickly and drolly mimicked a neurotic woman—"You should not have that frantic 'I've got to do something about it' attitude, that need to do something or have a drink to escape from where you are."

She smiled suddenly. "We come back, don't we, to the three words? 'Do your duty'—and stop worrying about how you feel."

As a mother and a grandmother, Miss Dietrich is interested in the dilemma of bewildered young mothers who read books offering advice contrary to what they learned from their own mothers.

"They have nobody to talk to," she said. "And that is true of many, many people: They lack someone to talk to. I hope that I can communicate with them."

It seems certain that she will.

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The hunters, Aubrey E. Everett of San Bruno and Ernest L. Waite of Redwood City, said they were following a hand-drawn map and didn't realize they were in Oregon. They were arrested by Bill Bush, game officer, on Haymaker Mountain three miles north of the California line.

District Judge D. E. Van Vactor reminded the hunters it was their responsibility to know where they were hunting. California's deer season now is open, but Oregon's is not.

Judge Van Vactor also ordered the hunters' guns confiscated.

NONSUPPORT
Alden A. Marrs, 28, Chemult, was arrested by state police on Highway 97 Sunday afternoon, and was being held Monday morning in lieu of \$1,500 bond in the Klamath County Jail, for the Jackson County sheriff's office. He was arrested on a warrant from last