

Van Buren Editor Will Be Heard With Burns On Radio

Scribe Is Proof That Folks Bob Talks About Do Exist; Pearce And Gang In Gotham

Another of Bob Burns' Arkansas friends proves that he really exists when Hugh Park, editor of the Van Buren Press Argus, Bob's home town paper, is heard between the acts of "The Arkansas Traveler" which stars Bob Burns in the Radio Theatre Monday. This play, with Fay Bainter supporting Burns, will be broadcast over WABC at 9 p. m.

Hugh Park, to whom Bob has often referred in his regular programs with Bing Crosby, will be cut into the Radio Theatre from Van Buren, Arkansas, probably the best known town of its size in the United States.

"The Arkansas Traveler" in which Bob Burns plays the title role — a hobo who has no name but "The Traveler" — is the story of a small town newspaper and how the Traveler who dropped off a train one night saved it from a scheming local politician.

Van Buren, Arkansas, is a town of 5,182 inhabitants, the same size perhaps as the one in the play. Hugh Park, editor of the Press Argus (published every Friday, circulation 1500) is representative of the best type of small town American editor.

Radio City, New York, will be broadcasting headquarters indefinitely for Al Pearce and His Gang, beginning with the broadcast Monday at 8:00 p. m., over WEAJ. Since the NBC Hollywood studios.

Harry Von Zell will be chairman of the reception committee and then will take his place as regular announcer for the show during the Radio City engagement. Accompanying Al will be all his principals, including Tizzie Lish, Arlene Harris, and the orchestra leader, Carl Hoff. The theme of the first Radio City broadcast will be "Arrival in Manhattan."

The picturesque figure of Mark Twain, the man "who shook the sides of the world" with his merriment, will be recreated in Cavalcade of America's radio dramatization of the life of the famous novelist and wit, to be heard Monday over WABC.

Not the first American to enjoy a joke, but certainly the first to make known to the Old World that broader, more zestful brand of humor now classified as characteristically American, Mark Twain is, 28 years after his death, still well up in the best-seller class. The epic scope and abounding color of his tales of the Mississippi, the timelessness of his wit in "Huckleberry Finn" and "Tom Sawyer" today place the total sales of his works at more than ten million volumes.

"Lohengrin's Farewell" from Wagner's "Lohengrin" will be sung by Richard Crooks, tenor, during the Voice of Firestone program Monday at 8:30 p. m., over WEAJ. The Metropolitan Opera star also will sing Herbert's "Ah Sweet Mystery of Life," Taylor's "Life and Death," and Kreisler's "The Old Refrain." Alfred Wallenstein

BEST BETS MONDAY

P. M.

- 7:30 — Eddie Cantor Show, WABC.
- 8:00—Al Pearce and His Gang, WEAJ.
- 8:00—The Cavalcade of America, WABC.
- 8:30—Pick and Pat Minstrels, WABC.
- 9:00 — Phil Spitalny Girls, WEAJ.
- 9:00—Radio Theatre, WABC.
- 9:30—Eddy Duchin, WEAJ.
- 10:00—Guy Lombardo, WABC.

will conduct the orchestra in the "Zampa" Overture by Herold Dance from Massenet's "Scenes Napolitaines," and the Strauss waltz "Thousand and One Night." The broadcast will originate in Chicago where Crooks will be making the first in an extensive series of concert appearances which eventually will take him as far as Australia and Africa.

Eddie Cantor will lead his merry mountebanks into Earl Carroll's patented patent-leather nitery in Hollywood. Earl Carroll will be on hand to personally guide the radio audience thru the wonders of his emporium, and Dixie-drawl announcer Bert Parks will double in song with "Sweet Little Headache." The air-circus will be heard Monday at 7:30 p. m. via WABC.

Ticket sellers from New York's teeming Grand Central Terminal, old hands at answering all sorts of questions, will bring their talents to the air Monday in the weekly True or False program at 10:00 p. m. over WJZ. Opposing them will be a team of modern American dancers.

The ticket sellers are: William L. Littell, captain, Gustave George, William W. Gaul, Russell J. Fredericks, John V. Cotter and Joseph Lackey. The dancers' captain is Klarna Pinsha, and her team mates are Hilda Sheldon, Selma Rubin, Kathleen O'Brien, Lily Mann and Francysca Del Burgos.