

# Grid Games Will Highlight Radio Programs On Monday

"Bowl" Contests Set At 2 And 5 P. M.; Networks Will Carry Dance Parties On New Year's Eve

Football sings its thundering swan song on New Year's Day, when it completely dominates the radio sports scene. With the announcement that the Rose Bowl tilt would immediately follow the Sugar Bowl battle, WJZ listeners were assured of at least five solid hours of football reporting of the dual gridiron highlights of the year.

Tennessee and the University of Southern California will clash in the Rose Bowl at Pasadena, with the broadcast scheduled to start at 5 p. m. Bill Stern, will describe the action, and Ken Carpenter will handle the color. The Sugar Bowl contest between undefeated Texas A and M and Tulane will go on the air at 2 p. m., and will be carried by more than 80 stations.

The 10 biggest news stories of 1939—news which screamed in headlines from the birth of the year until its close—will be recreated in dramatic form over WJZ on Sunday.

"Headlines of 1939," a full-hour program beginning at 2:00 p. m., will be a cavalcade of the world's most important news developments as selected by the editors of Associated Press, over whose wires flows the spectacular and humdrum news in a never-ending rhythm.

Jack Benny, who emphatically denies that he's a stand-in for Father Time, will nevertheless usher out the old year by discussing 1940 resolutions with Mary Livingstone, Phil Harris, Dennis Day, Don Wilson and Rochester during the broadcast over WEAf, at 7:00 p. m., Sunday.

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31

Eastern Standard P.M.—Subtract One Hr. for CST, 2 Hrs. for MT.

(Changes in programs as listed due to last-minute network corrections)

12:00—Vernon Cross's Story—nbc-weaf  
Radio City Concert Orch.—nbc-wjz  
Major Bowes and Family—cbs-wabc  
The Perole String Quartet—mbs-wor  
12:15—Oyanguren & Guitar—nbc-weaf  
12:30—To Be Announced—nbc-weaf  
Salt Lake Choir & Organ—cbs-wabc  
Talk, American Wildlife—mbs-chain  
1:00—Music For Moderns—nbc-weaf  
The Pilgrimage of Poetry—nbc-wjz  
Church of the Air Sermon—cbs-wabc  
Don Aron, Tenor, Orch.—mbs-wor  
1:15—Vasa Family in Song—nbc-wjz  
Betty and Buddy in Songs—mbs-wor  
The Singing Canaries—mbs-midwest  
1:30—The Singing Canaries—mbs-midwest

## BEST BETS SUNDAY AND MONDAY

### P. M.

- 5:30—Ben Bernie and Lew Lehr, WABC.
- 7:00—Jack Benny Program, WEAf.
- 8:00—Charlie McCarthy, WEAf.
- 9:00—Sunday Evening Hour, WJZ.

### MONDAY

### P. M.

- 2:00—Rose Bowl Game, WJZ.
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- 5:00—Rose Bowl Game, WJZ.
- 8:00—DeMille's Radio Theatre, WABC.
- 9:30—Alec Templeton Time, WEAf.

New Year's Eve brings its usual dancing parties to the networks.

Each chain will have one, starting in the east shortly after 11 and continuing across the country with intermediate stops until the close comes at 4 p. m. Jan. 1, 1940, on the Pacific coast and Honolulu. Dozens of dance bands are to participate, each for a 10 or 15-minute-period. Also New Year's celebrations will be picked up in New York, Chicago, Denver, Hollywood and Honolulu.

In its New Year's Eve broadcast the Sunday Evening Hour will

present one of opera's well-known artists, Grace Moore, in a return guest star appearance over WJZ from 9 to 10 p. m.

Gene Autry, aided by Eddie Cantor, will perpetrate a great American hoax, a la western style, by revealing that the popular song "South of the Border" was written by two untraveled Englishmen, when the cowboy and the comedian appear on the "Screen Guild Theater," Sunday, over WABC at 7:30 p. m.

Autry, the most popular western star in movies, will join Eddie Cantor to introduce the comedian's latest discovery, "Little Josephine" 11-year-old Philippino opera star, for her radio debut.

Marital difficulties that result when a man puts personal ambitions above family welfare are basis for the I Want A Divorce drama Sunday, at 4:00 p. m., over WEAf.

Sigmund Spaeth, famous tune detective, whose hobby is tracing the genealogy of popular music; Douglas Arnold who spends his spare time devising gadgets conducive to leading a well-rounded life in a nightgown, and Ernestine Minciotti and her juvenile choir which started from a phonograph record, will be interviewed by Dave Elman on "Hobby Lobby" over WABC Sunday, at 5:00 p. m.

Spaeth contends that if one looks hard enough and far enough he will find a Beethoven or a Mendelssohn at the root of most of the popular songs of today and yesterday. In his "Hobby Lobby" appearance he will tell how he started his unusual hobby and illustrate some of his findings as a tune detective.

**FOOTBALL — Orange Bowl — WABC, 2 P. M.; Missouri vs. Georgia Tech; Sugar Bowl — WJZ, 2, Texas A. & M, vs. Tulane; Cotton Bowl — New TBS chain, 2:45, Clemson vs. Boston college; Rose Bowl — WJZ and MBS 4:45 and TBS 5, Southern California vs. Tennessee.**

Tom Dorsey, the sentimental gentleman with the trombone, will aid and abet Alec Templeton in tootling a greeting to the New Year when he appears as guest star on Alec Templeton Time Monday, at 9:30 p. m., over WEAf. It will be Dorsey's second visit to the program, and is in the nature of a "command performance". The sultan of the slip-horn will leave his orchestra at home. Danile Sainenberg's orchestra, and the chorus directed by William Miller, also will be heard.

STATIONS THAT MAKE UP

DELPHOS' FIRE LOSS FOR YEAR