

Burgess Meredith To Play Lead On Cavalcade Program

Distinguished Star In Title Role Of Amerigo Vespucci Over WJZ At 9 P. M.; Actress On Quiz Hour

Burgess Meredith, one of the most distinguished actors on the Broadway stage, will play the title role, Amerigo Vespucci, at the premiere of Cavalcade of America on Tuesday over WJZ at 9 p. m.

Meredith, who won wide acclaim with his work in the Maxwell Anderson plays, "Winterset" and "High Tor," is already well-known.

He has been newspaper reporter, seaman, haberdasher, and started in the theatre as an apprentice in Eva Le Gallienne's repertory school. His first Broadway appearance was in "Lille Ol' Boy."

As Vespucci, in the opening chapter of Cavalcade, he will deal with the curious fact that America was named not for the man credited with the discovery, but for the one who drew correct conclusions from the discoverer's voyages.

The drama is based on authentic material prepared by Cavalcade's research board; Marquis James, Carl Carmer and Dr. Frank Monaghan. The latter also will be heard as commentator.

A sad tale, "The Freedom of the Press," or "That Old Squeeze Play," will be related by Uncle (Tom Wallace) Walter and dramatized during Uncle Walter's Dog House Tuesday at 10:30 p. m., over WEAJ.

The yarn concerns an editor, his wife, his star reporter, a man about town and a beautician. Virginia Verrill and Bob Strong's orchestra, will help ease the situation with sprightly tunes.

Screen Actress Gloria Stuart, and author-editor professor Carl Van Doren, will join John Kieran and Franklin P. Adams for the information please session Tuesday at 8:30 p. m., over WJZ. Miss Stuart began carving her niche in life as a combination society editor and linotypist with the Santa Monica Outlook, her home town paper. When not gleaning social items she was making news for the drama critic by appearing in Little Theatre Group productions. Clifton Fadiman will preside as usual.

The aftermath of young Henry's New Year's Day activities finds

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BEST BETS TUESDAY

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- 8:00—Aldrich Family, WJZ.
- 8:00—Johnny Presents, WEAJ.
- 9:30—Fibber McGee and Molly, WEAJ.
- 9:30—Bob Crosby WABC.
- 10:00—Bob Hope, WEAJ.
- 10:30—Uncle Walt's Doghouse, WEAJ.

the Aldrich Family wondering just how long his firm resolutions are going to last as the Tuesday broadcast opens at 8 p. m. over WJZ. Indications are that Henry has made some fairly rash promises.

Unscrupulous collection agencies thru which unsuspecting time payment plan buyers are mulcted of millions of dollars annually is the subject of Edward G. Robinson's "Big Town" broadcast Tuesday, over WABC at 8 p. m. Finding one of these agencies in operation in "Big Town," Robinson, with the aid of Ona Munson in the role of "Lorelei," his society editor, turns the tables on the racketeers by involving them in the very same courts into which they had been hauling their victims.

STATIONS THAT MAKE UP THE NETWORKS

(Note: Refer to this box for stations of cities in markets after each program item. All programs are carried by all stations and basic chains or groups thereof unless specified.)

NBC-WEAF (RED): Basic—East: waf wgh wbr wnc when wiam wjz wlc wje kyw weat wsh wjar wgy wro wdl wmg wech wraw, Midwest: wmaq who wia wdf wtnj kstp wow ksd, South: wmbk vcs wbc wdx wnc wsmc wfa whap kpic kark wky woi kubs kyoo, Mountain: koi kdvl

NBC-WJZ (BLUE): Basic—East: wjz wbal wbz wcc wbr whk wxyz wfd wgh wgn wgm wgt wgt wgt