

Stirring Episode Of Civil War To Be Told On Program

Alan Hale And Guinn Williams Will Enact Roles Of Union Scouts Attempting To Halt Gold Flow To South

Alan Hale and Guinn "Big Boy" Williams will reenact one of the strangest incidents in American history—the adventure of a covered wagon train that affected the outcome of the Civil war when they preview scenes from "Virginia City," forthcoming screen spectacle, on the Strange As It Seems program, Thursday at 8:30 p. m. over WABC.

During the 1860's, Virginia City, Nevada, was the gold mining center of the west—a boom town of over 30,000 inhabitants. When Union scouts learned that southern sympathizers living there had sent a vitally needed \$5,000,000 in gold to the confederacy by wagon train, they desperately sought to block the shipment. Hale and Williams will be heard as the two Union scouts—Moose Swenson and Marblehead Fitch—who followed the trail to the coast, down to Los Angeles, and into the desert, where the gold met an incredible fate.

There'll be a preview of St. Patrick's Day in the Music Hall Thursday at 10 p. m. over WEAJ with Pat O'Brien heading up the festivities in honor of old Erin. Over and above such regulars of K. M. H. as Bing Crosby, Bob Burns, the Music Maids, and John Scott Trotter's orchestra, the special green carpet will be trod upon by Lotte Lehmann, Metropolitan singing star, and John Erskine, noted author.

Bing's songs are "In an Old Dutch Garden," "Do I Love You?" "Sweet Potato Piper," "Tumblin' Tumblewee," "When Irish Eyes Are Smiling." The latter is his 1912 Memory Song and St. Patrick's Day special combined.

That slugging Shakespearean scholar, Gene Tunney, will discuss the Bard of Avon when he appears as headliner on the George Jessel "Celebrity Program" Thursday over WEAJ at 8 p. m. He will also do a bit of jesting with Jessel

BEST BETS THURSDAY

P. M.

- 7:15—"Big Town," WLW.
- 8:00—George Jessel Celebrities, WLW.
- 8:30—"As Strange As It Seems," WJR.
- 9:00—"Good News" Variety, WLW.
- 9:00—Musical Americana, WLOK, WOWO.
- 9:30—Major Bowes, Amateurs, WJR.
- 10:00—Bing Crosby Show, WLW.

and perhaps indulge in some banter with Benay Venuta, the singing star. Others to be heard are Lucille Mahoney, stylist, who helped Mrs. F. D. Roosevelt select her Easter clothes, and Charles Cantor, in his role as the silly stooge, O. L. Scrum. Music is under the baton of Peter Van Steeden.

There's more trouble in store for Baby Snooks' Daddy (Hanley

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

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

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

- 5:30—Jack Armstrong—nbc-weaf-east
- Kitty Keene Sketch—nbc-red-west
- Bud Barton's Sketch—nbc-wjz-east
- It Happened in Hollywood—chs-wabc

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