

# Al Pearce Will Start New Program On Friday Evening

Series Scheduled Over WABC At 6:30 P. M.;  
Jack Benny Will Be Guest On Ripley's  
"Believe It Or Not" Hour

Al Pearce, famous as Elmer Blurt, the low-pressure salesman who made the country "I hope, I hope, I hope" conscious, begins a new series of weekly broadcasts over WABC on Friday. The new series will be heard at 6:30 p. m.

Jack Benny takes the spotlight on Bob Ripley's "Believe It Or Not" program on Friday at 9:30 over WABC.

The program will emanate from Ripley's fabulous Odditorium on Broadway, with Jack exchanging banter with Ripley. Ripley's glittering array of oddities, both living and inanimate, mementoes of his 30 years of travel to far-off places, undoubtedly will offer targets for Jack's trigger wit.

Don Ameche will take the part of an Italian nobleman when he and Claire Trevor present the dramatization of Mark Hellinger's "Court Story" on the show Friday at 9 p. m. over WEAf.

Lucille Manners, soprano of the Service Concerts, will sing the Gavotte from Thomas' "Mignon" on the broadcast Friday at 7 p. m. over WEAf.

Highlighting the "Johnny Presents" program for Friday, May 3 is Johnny Green's rendition of

"Isle of May." Andre Kostelanetz' adaptation of Tschaiikowsky's Andante Cantabile, with Green doing a piano solo. Other numbers include "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" and "My Wonderful One, Let's Dance" by the Swing Fourteen; "Imagination" by soloist Audrey Marsh, and "The Woodpecker Song" and "On The Alamo" by the orchestra. Max Marcin's "Perfect Crime" dramatization will be a thriller called "Down on Death." Johnny the Call Boy is mater of ceremonies. This program is heard over WABC.

The 12-round non-title heavy-weight bout between Buddy Baer, younger brother of the former champion and Nathan Mann, both leading challengers for the championship, will be described over WJZ Friday at 9 p. m.

Kate Smith will start the last lap of a decade, the beginning of her tenth consecutive year in radio, by presenting Richard Greene as an expert from the new film "I Was An Adventuress" as the dramatic highlight of the "Kate Smith Hour" Friday, at 7:00 p. m., over WABC.

## FRIDAY, MAY 3

Eastern Standard P. M.—Subtract One Hr. for CST., 2 Hrs. for MT.—  
Daylight Time One Hour Later

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

6:00—Li'l Abner's Sketch—nbc-weaf  
News; Earl Wild, Pianist—nbc-wjz  
News Broadcasting Period—chs-wabc  
Billy and Betty Repeat—cbs-midwest  
Dancing Music Orchestra—mbs-chain  
6:05—Alma Kitchell's Prog.—nbc-wjz  
Edwin C. Hill's Talk—cbs-wabc-basic  
6:15—News and Ed East—weaf-only  
Malcolm Claire and News—nbc-red  
Bill Stern Sports; Ed East—wjz-only  
Dancing Music Orchestra—nbc-blue  
Hedda Hopper on Movies—cbs-wabc  
Reveries at the Console—cbs-Dixie  
6:30—Capt. Healy Stamps—weaf-only  
Three Cheers, Song—nbc-red-chain  
The Serenaders Prog.—nbc-wjz-east  
Bud Barton's repeat—nbc-blue-west  
Paul Sullivan News—cbs-wabc-east  
Dancing Music Orchest.—mbs-chain