

# New Artificial Voice Will Be Demonstrated Thursday

Invention Restores Speech To Persons Who Lose Powers; Woollcott To Tell Story Of Popular Song

John J. Smith, 64, retired newspaperman of Hollis, L. I., who lost his voice six years ago, will speak and sing again, for the first time since that date, by means of Gilbert Wright's remarkable invention, the Sonovox, on the Strange As It Seems program, Thursday at 8 p. m. over WABC.

The broadcast will be the first public demonstration of Wright's Sonovox, which seeks to restore speech to thousands of persons who could speak at birth but have since lost the power. The invention consists of a small attachment to the throat, run by a storage battery, which transmits sounds up thru the throat and mouth as the wearer silently forms the words.

The United States Navy signal corps has already accepted the Sonovox and is at present using it to expedite teaching of the Morse code.

Alexander Woollcott, America's favorite story teller, tells a great American story on the "Cavalcade of America" program Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. over WEAF. It is the story of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic"—of how it came to life; how Julia Ward Howe fired with the stirring tune of a marching song, popular with the men in the "Grand Army of the Potomac," felt that with new words it could be a great hymn, an inspiration to the nation.

A murder which leads to the expose of a plot to steal new military airplanes is the basis of "Night Freight," the "Big Town" show which will star Edward G. Robinson over WABC on Wednesday. Robert Leitfred, well-known magazine writer, did the story, which is characterized by fast action and plenty of twists.

A romance that blossoms within a boarded-up "brown-stone front" on a faded New York street is Stuart Hawkins' contribution to "Manhattan At Midnight" for its airing over WJZ Wednesday at 8:30 p. m.

Graham MacNamee, Clem McCarthy and Ben Grauer, who have been practicing up in the privacy of their own bathtubs, will dip into song together when they make their vocal debut on Eddie Cantor's "Time to Smile" program over WEAF Wednesday at 9 p. m.

A train robbery, 1940 style, makes one of the thrilling moments in "Mr. District Attorney" on Wednesday at 9:30 p. m. over WEAF. The drama, "Robbery of the Western Limited," is based on the recent hold train hold-up in New York City.

Kay Kyser will detail the daily routine of a draftee in song during his "College of Musical Knowledge" program over WEAF Wednesday at 10 p. m.

## Lima Memorial Hospital Suit Appeal Likely

(Lima News Bureau)

WAPAKONETA, Dec. 4—Definite indications the partition case of Lima Memorial hospital against Miss Ola V. Harrod, of Lima, would be taken to the Third district appellate court by the defendant were given today with the filing of a bill of exceptions to the Auglaize-co common pleas court decision, ordering partition of a 140 acre farm in Union-tp.

The suit involves the farm which was deeded to the hospital by the late J. C. Harrod, father of the defendant, with a provision the hospital pay Miss Harrod one-half of the net income of the farm for the remainder of her life. The plaintiff's, in their petition, state they are unable to operate the farm in a satisfactory manner because of interference by the defendant. The latter denied the charge.

The defense bill of exceptions was based on four rulings of Judge W. T. Copeland, who heard the case. First, was the order of partition of the two net incomes; second, the overruling of a motion for new trial; third, failure of the court to admit testimony of the defendant and fourth, overruling of a defense motion to admit the Harrod will as an exhibit.

Judge Copeland at present has under advisement a defense motion to vacate a report of commissioners, who made an appraisal of the farm. This led the plaintiff's attorneys to contend that the defense attorney filed his notice of appeal before the report of commissioners was affirmed and the notice of appeal was not filed from a final judgment. They have indicated they will file a dismissal motion to the appeal.

**BANDIT TAKES \$2 IN FOREST STORE ROBBERY**