

Margaret Whiting Guest Of Ransom Sherman Thursday

Varied Angles On "All Fool's Day" To Clutter Airlanes, Feature Most Broadcasts

Margaret Whiting, featured vocalist with Freddie Slack's orchestra, sings "As Time Goes By," when she appears as Ransom Sherman's guest on his "Grapevine Rancho", on Thursday at 8 p. m. (EWT) over WABC. Previously announced guest is Charles Ruggles, who joins Lionel Stander and Leo Carrillo, Sherman's weekly comedy aids.

The only person who'll be himself on the "Rudy Vallee Program" Thursday (WEAF, 9:30 p. m., EWT), will be Guest Star Basil Rathbone. The screen star visits Vallee's village and Joan Davis gets the idea that she, too, should be a screen star. So the wacky dame writes a screen play and casts herself at Hedy Lamarr, Rudy as William Powell, Blossom Blimp Felton as Jane Darwell and Shirley Mitchell as Marjorie Main. She allows Rathbone to play himself.

Four noted authorities will discuss the topic: "Should We Have Armed Forces of Eleven Million?" during the "America's Town Meeting of the Air" broadcast on Thursday, at 8:30 p. m., EWT, over WJZ.

An April Fool's shaft, fired by Agnes Lawson, finds Henry Aldrich's tenderest spot, the Hank's prank in retaliation has repercussions he doesn't expect in "The Aldrich Family" over WEAF Thursday, at 8:30 p. m., EWT.

It's no April Fool's joke, but a sincere visit with our northern neighbors, that will take Kate Smith to Toronto, Can., for her daytime broadcasts for two days, Thursday and Friday, April 1 and 2, over WABC, 12 to 12:15 u. m., EWT. Kate had originally planned to shirt to Toronto on Wednesday, but found it necessary to shorten her visit one day.

April will be ushered in with an appropriate wave of April foolishness, when Jimmy Durante and Garry Moore present the second show in their new series, on Thursday, at 10 p. m., EWT, over WEAF.

A story of hot tires and juvenile delinquency, will occupy Editor Bob Burns' attention during the "Arkansas Traveler" broadcast Thursday (WEAF, 7:30 p. m., EWT). Spike Jones and the City Slickers supply the music.

Two screen personalities, Paul Lukas, who recently finished shooting on the film based on Steman Heym's book "Hostages," and William Bendix, movie bad man, headline the "Stage Door Canteen" talent lineup for the broadcast on Thursday, at 9:30 p. m., EWT over WABC.

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OHIO—"It Ain't Hay" and "At the Front."

QUILNA—"Dixie Duran"

SIGMA—"Lost Canyon" and "Lady From Chungking."

STATE—"The Moon and Sixpence" and "Northwest Rangers."

LYRIC—"Pardon My Gun" and "Junior Army."

COMING UP

QUILNA—"The Meanest Man in the World" and "Time to Kill" due Friday, April 2.

STATE—"Casablanca" and "Eyes of the Underworld" due Sunday.

LYRIC—"Timber" and "Isle of Missing Men" begin Saturday midnight.

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Eastern War Time P.M.—Subtract One Hour for CWT., 2 Hrs. for MWT.

(Changes in programs as listed due to corrections by networks made too late to incorporate.)

5:30—Just Plain Bill, Dramatic—nbc
The Jack Armstrong Serial—blu-east
Chicago's Singing Strings—blu-west
Art Van Dyke—2 Out—blu-west