

# Kate Smith To Broadcast From Oldest U. S. Warship

Bill Stern To Interview Hugh Herbert, Top Screen Comedian, On Friday; Wilbur Enters Glutton's Contest

The deck of the oldest U. S. fighting ship afloat, the 146-year-old Constellation, will serve as a studio for the Kate Smith Speaks broadcast over WABC Friday at 12 noon. (EWT). The U. S. S. Constellation is docked at the Naval Training station at Newport, R. I., and serves as the flagship for Vice Admiral Ingersoll, Commander-in-Chief of the Atlantic fleet. Launched in 1797 as a 36-gun frigate, the veteran warship served its time in helping establish the young American republic.

Hugh Herbert, droll motion picture comedian, will be the guest of Bill Stern on his "Sports Newsreel" Friday (WEAF, 10 30 p. m. EWT). The man who makes millions laugh will be questioned by Stern as to his favorite sports. Hugh will tell how he went to Hollywood as a writer and instead helped make a success of other writers.

Betty Lou's boy friend, Wilbur, will be the chief contestant in a waffle-eating contest on the "Tommy Riggs and Betty Lou" show to be aired next Friday at 10 p. m. EWT., over WEAF. At the starter's whistle Betty Lou will pile his plate with tender morsels and Wilbur will dive into the race with the zest of a starving man. But the oaf's eyes will be bigger than his stomach, and after the tenth cake Betty Lou's "white hope" will desert the table in favor of the living room couch.

The Rudy Vallee vaudeville variety show, an old favorite, will come back to the air for a single appearance on the WABC Comedy Caravan, Friday, at 10 p. m., EWT. At that time, Rudy will present a 45 minute variety show, complete with band numbers, songs by Vallee himself, and of course, some of the famous guest stars with whom the singer and comedian has become identified.

In a campaign to raise funds for the purchase of white flannels to wear to the high school prom, Richard turns to an unusual pursuit, in "Richard, the Gopher Hunter," which will be heard when "The Parker Family" airs on Friday, at 8:15 p. m., EWT., over Station WJZ. He joins in a community gopher-hunt, to rid the town's Victory Gardens of the animals.

Nick and Nora Charles start out to buy a wedding present and end up in the embalming room of a funeral parlor surrounded by a Nazi spy ring in "The Clock Strikes Death," the blood and

thunder chapter of "The Adventures of the Thin Man" for Friday. (WABC, 8.30 p. m. EWT.)

Diving momentarily into the mauve romanticism of Frederic Chopin, Alec Templeton plays the great Pole's Preludes, No. 1 and No. 7, on his broadcast over WJZ, Friday, at 10.30 p. m., EWT).

## FLASHES OF LIFE

(By The Associated Press)

### PARNASSUS ON WHEELS

NUTLEY, N. J. — The public library, determined that the ban on non-essential driving shall not deprive local residents of literary culture, is going to deliver books by horse and wagon to remote sections of town.

### ALL IS NOT LOST

OKLAHOMA CITY—A soldier in North Africa can lose all but his underwear in a friendly game—and still have legal tender for a good meal.

Natives are catzy about underwear, says Staff Sgt. Woodrow Armstrong, "particularly the long-handled variety.

"Any Arab will trade you a sheep or goat, some eggs and a chicken for it—and think he's getting the best of the deal."

### BEERLESS BOISE

BOISE, Idaho — Governor Bottolfsen will proclaim a beerless Boise day soon because of dwindling supplies of the beverage, his office reports. The Army is helping plan the big event.

### BREATHLESS ROMANCE

WINNEMUCCA, Nev. — The bus pulled into Winnemucca.

D. Stanford Harris, 32, Layton, Utah, and Miss Lorraine Christensen, 21, Hyrum, Utah, fled.

Obtaining a marriage license from the county clerk, they rushed to Justice of the Peace