

Production of Civilian Radios Gets Under Way



Production of radios for civilian sale has started in full force. One of the first radio production lines in the country is pictured at a Plymouth, Ind., plant. The capacity of the plant will shortly be 2,000 sets a day. This will aid materially in making radio sets available for almost every need. Production has speeded up beyond earlier reports with every indication that the market will shortly be well supplied.

Star Dust

STAGE SCREEN RADIO

Released by Western Newspaper Union.
By VIRGINIA VALE
UNIVERSAL has given us another of those top-notch psychological mysteries, one as good as "The Suspect." This time it's "Uncle Harry," with a star-studded cast—George Sanders, Geraldine Fitzgerald, Ella Raines and Sara Allgood, who has only to walk across a room to steal the scene from everybody else.



GERALDINE FITZGERALD

You'll see superb acting all through the picture, especially in some of Geraldine Fitzgerald's scenes. It's a picture that causes rather violent reactions — people are going to like it tremendously or argue about it for weeks because they wanted a different ending. And that's a sure sign that a picture is exceptional; if it isn't nobody cares how it turns out.

Dennis Morgan, star of "Christmas in Connecticut," is the only Hollywood star who has worked in pictures under three different names, so far as we know. At Metro he used his own name, Stanley Morner. At Paramount, Richard Stanley. Warners' gave him his present name.

If you've just stubbed your toe on a disappointment, here's encouragement for you. Clark Gable lost his first film job because "his ears are too big." George Brent and Humphrey Bogart were dropped by contract holders because they "weren't convincing in western drama." And Bette Davis' name must still embarrass certain executives who let her go "because she has no sex appeal."

It looks as if the movie stars can't resist the restaurant business. During filming of "Young Widow," Louis Hayward had an architect make plans for a cafe to be opened when the war ended, and Alan Ladd's going into partnership in a hamburger stand.

Frank Sinatra seems to be set for the next five years in radio. He's signed a contract for 39 weeks with a cigarette company, with options covering that time. He'll replace "Which is Which," for "Detect and Collect," substituted this summer. He'll be heard Wednesday nights, on CBS. He says one of the best things about the program is the fact that Mann Hollner will be the producer — thinks Hollner's the best producer in the business.

The only motion picture footage of the atom smasher, which played an important part in experiments leading to the development of the atomic bomb, will be seen in "Miracle Makers," a Warner's short subject now ready for immediate release. Dr. O. E. Lawrence, who developed the cyclotron, as it's called, was technical adviser on the sequence and appears in the film.

Jack Smith, who now has his own show on CBS, joins Bing Crosby, Ginny Simms and all the others who've started on the air singing with a trio and graduated to stardom. Jack was in high school when he and two friends landed the job vacated by Bing Crosby's Rhythm Boys at the Coconut Grove. He spends his free time teaching returned soldiers at the New York School of Aircraft Instruments.

Twentieth Century-Fox's "The House on 92nd Street," dealing with the development of the atomic bomb, is based entirely on records of the FBI, showing their work in counteracting enemy agents' attempts to obtain the secret. It was made secretly in New York, Washington and other locales, and sequences dealing directly with the bomb were omitted till after it had been used in Japan.

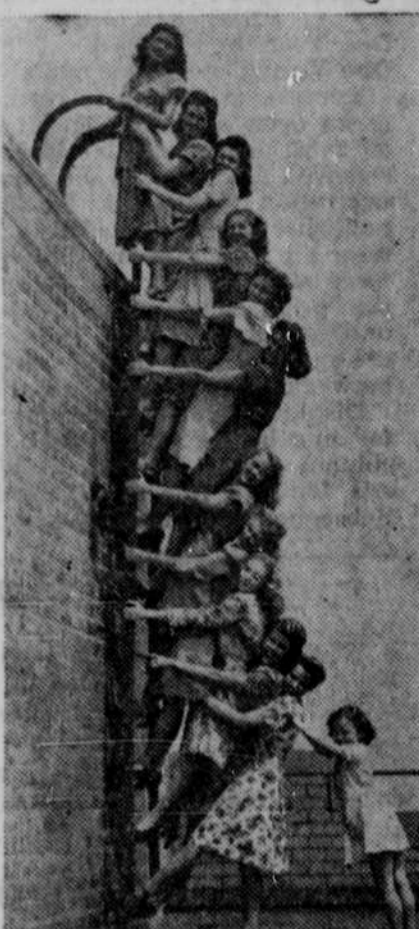
ODDS AND ENDS—Guest ghosts galore will haunt "Inner Sanctum," now back again, on CBS, with Paul McGrath as Your Host. . . Jane Wyman liked that leopard coat she wears in "The Lost Weekend" so much that she had a duplicate made for her own wardrobe. . . Many of the servicemen now in hospitals are learning the inside stories of actions they participated in, by listening to Dan Seymour's "Now It Can Be Told" series. . . Bing Crosby sings 22 songs in Irving Berlin's "Blue Skies"—a treat for Crosby fans, who won't be hearing him weekly if he carries out his threat to abandon those Thursday night broadcasts.

Jap Leads Marine Air Attack



From the waist of a marine Mitchell bomber, Japanese Lieutenant Minoru Wada leads one of the last raids on Japanese installations prior to signing of peace. A prisoner of war, he offered his services to direct American pilots over the Japanese mainland.

The Ladder of Fame



United Nations girls, all prize winners of war bond campaigns, ace New York from a ladder atop the roof of their hotel. They visited Washington and New York, having won a four-day trip for their meritorious services in war work and bond sales.

Cabinet Meets on Reconversion Planning Program



President Truman calls his cabinet to consider all angles of reconversion brought to a head by the Japanese surrender. Photo shows, left to right: Clinton P. Anderson, agriculture; Lewis B. Schwellenback, labor; John B. Blandford Jr., housing agency; J. A. Krug, WPB; J. E. Snyder, war mobilization; William Davis, economic stabilization; Leo T. Crowley, foreign economics; Henry A. Wallace, commerce; Abe Fortas, undersecretary of interior; Robert Hannegan, postmaster general; Henry L. Stimson, secretary of war; James F. Byrnes, secretary of state; President Harry S. Truman; Fred M. Vinson, treasury; Tom Clark, attorney general; and James F. Forrestal, secretary of navy.

Purple Heart Heroes Play Ball



Pvt. Leo Quallotto is safe at home in a softball game played at the Percy Jones hospital during a Purple Heart field day sponsored by the Detroit hospitals as part of the army's rehabilitation program.

Heads West Point



Maj. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, former commander of the 101st airborne division, has been selected as superintendent of the U. S. military academy at West Point. He flew from Washington to be with his men, when they were reported cut off behind German lines.

Doolittle's Raiders Released



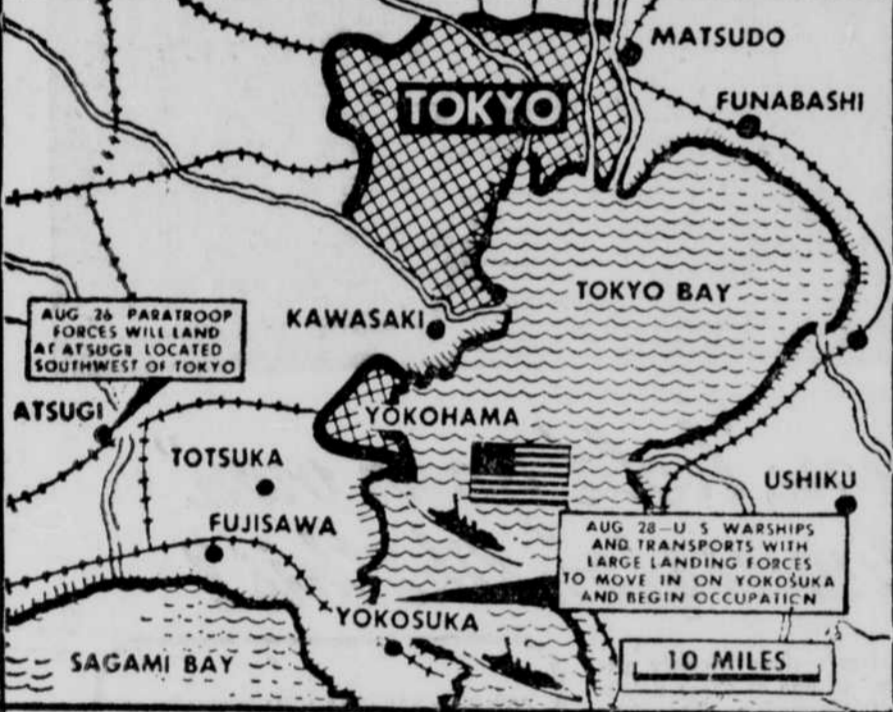
The first four members of Lt. Gen. Jimmy Doolittle's Tokyo raiders liberated by American paratroopers, before the surrender of Japan became official. As shown they are: upper left, Dean E. Hallmark of Dallas; upper right, Robert L. Hite of Earth, Texas; lower left, Robert J. Meder, Columbus, Ohio; and lower right, William Glove Farrow, Washington, D. C.

Petain's Final Exit



Henri Philippe Petain, who was chief of state of France during the Vichy regime, is shown as he was escorted from the courtroom by guards after his recent conviction.

Landing Map of Surrender Group



Official map released by the Japanese Imperial headquarters, showing where landing points were made available for the airborne troops accompanying General MacArthur and his staff. The main point of contact was the Atsugi airfield, 20 miles southwest of Tokyo. Following the landing by air, strong U. S. troops were to be provided with landing ports in Yokosuka, south of Tokyo bay.

After New Honors



Weighted with medals and shooting for the national swimming championship is 17-year-old Frances Kenney of Raleigh, N. C., three-time Carolina swimming champion. She also holds three junior AAU national medals as well as relay team first place.

Navy Father Enlists Triplets



As their mother looks on, Charles Allen, James Milton and Robert Winchester Hardin, left to right, triplets, are sworn into the navy by their father, Capt. David Winchester Hardin, USN, senior officer in the Baltimore district. The triplets plan to follow the navy as a career and later take Annapolis examinations.

DeGaulle at Capital



Photograph shows Gen. Charles de Gaulle with President Truman, during De Gaulle's recent visit to Washington. They are shown during the playing of the national anthem, as the White House troops paid honor to the French leader.

Ride 1,200 Miles on Horses



Photo shows Virginia Conradson and Eileen Holt, who rode from Los Angeles to Stoneham, Colo. They traveled the 1,200 miles at the rate of 30 to 35 miles a day, sleeping by the roadside at night in bedrolls. Their horses wore out four sets of "unrattled" shoes, and were fed breakfast oats during a large part of the trip through Arizona.

Reconversion Plow



As far as President Harry S. Truman is concerned, the war is over and the tasks of peace now have his priority. The gun that was on his desk has been replaced with a model of a plow.