

Look and Listen

By FAWN SCHEFFEL

Bishop Sheen's decision to withdraw from the Catholic Hour radio series was interpreted as indicative of differences between the National Broadcasting Company and the Bishop, according to an enlightening column appearing recently in the WASHINGTON STANDARD by Bob Crean.

Crean says, "Reports claim the radio differences took root two years ago, when the Catholic Hour was doing nicely in an early evening spot. At that time the program was moved to an afternoon schedule and the claim is that this program switch cost the Catholic Hour 40 per cent of its regular audience."

"THE WHOLE thing is pretty much history and there would be no reason to bring it up here except for the fact that the National Council of Catholic Men, which arranges the program has been left suspended in the press's teapot tempest. We asked NCCM's Martin Work to speak for the organization."

Here Crean relates that Work reported that the Bishop replied to the NCCM annual invitation by saying that he wished to devote more time to his mission work this year. Mr. Work was quoted as saying that it was unfortunate that some newspapers suggested a disagreement between NCCM and NBC.

Mr. Work pointed out that the schedule switch cannot be blamed for the lower number of listeners. The program, he reports, "was never bigger than the first year after the change."

CREAN explained in his STANDARD column that the

change was made upon the advice of NBC and with the approval of the bishops of the United States. The afternoon spot provided connections with 144 stations and enabled the program to reach sections of the country which it had not reached before. An outstanding list of speakers have been scheduled for the broadcast time and NCCM has voiced its pleasure if at any time the Bishop feels he has time to appear.

Bob Crean closed his column with the hope the explanation "clears up one aspect of the situation," and we do too.

WE TRUST Ed Sullivan will be a little more careful with his terminology after an article that appeared in the Albany Evangelist. It goes like this:

"On Ed Sullivan's 'Toast of the Town' film produced over WRGB a few weeks ago, Edward, during a commercial, used a phrase which we are led to believe is in poor taste. In transforming an old model car into a newer looking one, Mr. Sullivan used the phrase 'Hocus-Focus.' This phrase is reminiscent of the 'Hoc est enim Corpus Meum' and was corrupted into Hocus-Focus by those who would have people believe that bread and wine are not changed into the Sacred Body and Blood of Christ."

WORTH YOUR WHILE—Follow the latest world cruise of Commander Irving Johnson and his Brigantine 'Yankee.' Your dreams of adventure will come true when Cmdr. Johnson narrates his new, all-color film, 'Join the Yankee and See the World,' Friday, Sept. 26, at the Eastman Theatre.

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Football Movie—What the well-dressed gridiron hero wore in the days of Red Grange and Knute Rockne, will be seen once again when the Richard Barthelme film 'The Drop Kick' is revived at the Dryden Saturday and Sunday afternoon, Sept. 20 and 21, at 3:30 p. m. Saturday and at 2:30 and 4:00 p. m. Sunday.

Quick Shuffle—Entirely too many people try to get the upper hand by dealing from the bottom.

Opening Set For Catholic Theatre

Wilford Scott, director of the Catholic Theatre of Rochester, has announced the casting of the three original plays to be presented in the auditorium of St. Mary's Nurses Home Friday and Saturday, Sept. 26 and 27, at 8:30 p. m. and with a matinee Saturday, Oct. 4, at 2:30 p. m. Admission is free.

Included in the casts are William Welder, Helen Uebel, Grace Tomassell, Lloyd Hubbard, Eleanor Bergman, Ann Micoche, Ted Hannan, Richard Mancini, Elizabeth Hayes and Ruth Gaenzler. William Andia, guest from the staff of the Arena Theatre, will direct 'The Pendulum.' Tom McAviney will direct 'Appointment At High Noon.'

A fantasy, penned by Robert Smett, will employ the settings and effects of Carl Zollo. Costumes for the group of young thespians will be executed by Jean Ann Brasser and the speech chorus is under the direction of Jean Strachan.

The production staff includes Agnes Kuhn, Judy Caruana, Terry O'Reilly and Marie Mayo. Original musical compositions are being written and executed by John J. McCarthy and Fawn Scheffel is doing choreography.

'Peg-O-My-Heart' Next On HF Stage

Holy Family Theatre will begin its fifth year by presenting a comedy, 'Peg-O-My-Heart,' in the school auditorium on Jay St. Three evening performances will be given on October 20, 21 and 22 with a matinee for the school children on October 19. Tickets, 75 with 15 extra for reservations.

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Firemen List Ben Blue, Fran Warren For Appearance In Benefit At Eastman

Everything from laughs to sighs will be offered at the 11th Annual Firemen's Benefit Show to be held Oct. 10, 11, and 12th at the Eastman Theatre.

This year, nationally known stars of every entertainment field from vaudeville to television will be included in the eight-act show. The top spot will be held down by Ben Blue, the sad-eyed, head-pun comic who's been a big-name funny man for two decades. Blue, who began his career as a "hill" outside a Baltimore movie house, and later as a chorus boy in a New York musical, recently broke into television as the star of his own show, 'The Colgate Comedy Hour.'

Movie-goers will remember him for his appearances in 'Thousand Cheers,' 'Easy to Wed,' 'Broadway Rhythm,' 'For Me and My Gal' and many others.

Another celebrity who'll appear on this year's show will be Fran Warren—a 22-year-old, hit-and-miss songstress whose flashing rise to success has been made



BEN BLUE Sad-Eyed with name bands, motion pictures, Broadway musicals, and of course, song records. Among the hits that have made

her a record star are 'Sunday Kind of Love,' 'Baby,' 'Heavenly Father,' and 'I Hear a Rhapsody.'

The other acts will include performances by Martin and Florence, a comedy marionette act; the Ciel Dwellers, a choral group of four boys and two girls; the Blackburn Twins and Colby, a specialized dancing team who've been pulling in audiences from coast to coast; and Leon Navaro, a well-known comedian who will act as master of ceremonies.

The benefit show is held each year to supplement the Rochester Fire Bureau's Death Benefit Fund, which was organized to provide adequate insurance coverage for city fire-fighters. Because of the hazards of their jobs, firemen could not otherwise provide for the futures of their wives and children.

Two complete performances will be held at 7:30 and 9:30 p. m. each of the three nights. Tickets can be purchased from any Rochester fireman.

Family Radio Rosary Leaders

The Radio Rosary is broadcast every night at 7 p. m. over Station WSAJ, Rochester.

Leaders for the coming week include: Saturday, Sept. 20—George J. Nier, Pro-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart;

Sunday, Sept. 21—Thomas E. Van Anker, Corpus Christi Parish;

Monday, Sept. 22—Raymond Jeffrey, Pro-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart;

Tuesday, Sept. 23—Anthony Royal, Mount Carmel Parish;

Wednesday, Sept. 24—John E. Noon, St. Cecilia Parish;

Thursday, Sept. 25—Samuel Dinardo, Mt. Carmel Post and Aux., CWV;

Friday, Sept. 26—John L. Gelsberger, St. Michael Parish.

Four Million—An audience of more than 4,000,000 persons witnessed each of the four half-hour television programs dealing with the sacraments and produced by the National Council of Catholic Men.

Entertaining Made Easy!

Advertisement for AVON INN featuring parties and banquet services. Text includes: 'PARTIES and BANQUETS', 'TURN RIGHT AT ROUTE 4', 'AVON INN', 'AVON, N. Y.'

Advertisement for 'Another LOUIS A. WEHLE FISHING CONTEST' in September. Includes details about the contest and a list of August winners.

Advertisement for 'Weekend Film Shows Set At Museum' featuring 'The Drop Kick' and 'The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima'.

Advertisement for 'Hollywood In Focus' by William H. Mooring, discussing the film 'The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima'.

Advertisement for 'School Film Shown St. Monica Mothers' featuring 'The Report Card Comes Home'.

Advertisement for 'Ebonites' featuring bowling and a five-year guarantee.

Advertisement for 'Follow the Trotters' featuring a \$15,000 invitational trot race at Batavia Downs.

Advertisement for 'Support! The Opening Aquinas Football Game' featuring Aquinas vs. St. Peter's of Jersey City, N. J.

Advertisement for 'Up to \$7000.00 LOW COST LIFE INSURANCE AT ROCHESTER SAVINGS BANK'.

Advertisement for 'Legion of Decency Listings' categorized by Class A-1, A-2, and C.

Advertisement for 'Movie Guide' listing various films at the RKO Palace and Paramount theaters.

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