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Slaves of Sinatra

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EDITORIAL

If you're still conscious, after the full impact of the cover has sunk in, give us your reactions to the new package your fave (we hope!) club paper now comes to you in, courtesy of Betsey Wenninger of Fond du Lac.

Our thanx to those of you who sent in material for The Voice. It was greatly appreciated. And now, what about the rest of you? Those of you who haven't sent in any material for our paper, what's the matter, don't you care? We always thot Sinatra fans were loaded with talent, so let's see some of it break out in print.

A great problem has reared its hair-raided and pin-curled head. To have, or not to have club chapters, that is the question. In such cities as Philly, Ptgh., N.Y.,L.A., Racine and Fond du Lac there are already enuf, nay, more than enuf club members to start chapters there. What are your feelings on this point?

And what do you think about having an official uniform for the club members to wear to Frank's broadcasts, movies and theater appearances? True, we have our club pins and we wear our bow ties, but is it enuf? Let's hear your suggestions.

Another problem is, to wit, Joan Edwards. So very many of you have written to our prexy saying in no uncertain terms that you definitely do not have fits of joy when she attempts to sing. Never have we heard one, single person say that he or she likes the aforementioned Miss Edwards. Then, why, oh, why, is she allowed on the air? When there are good singers like Helen Forrest and Lena Horne, why must she be heard? What can we do about it members?

One, last word, about club dues. Many of you have not, as yet, fully paid your dues. The club is expanding so rapidly that more copies of our paper must be mimeographed, more letters must be written. We need money to do these things, so please cooperate and send in your dues.

Thanx, we knew it had only slipped your mind.

MY PRESS CONFERENCE WITH FRANK SINATRA By Jeanne Lewis

VITAL STATISTICS:
1. APRIL 29, 1944
2. NEW YORK CITY
3. C.B.S. RADIO PLAYHOUSE NO. 3
4. PRESS CONFERENCE 4 - 5 P.M.

THE HIT PARADE AND THE FRANK SINATRA SHOW:
1. CONTRACTS FOR BOTH HAVE BEEN RENEWED FOR 5 YEARS.

WE WERE:
1. SITTING IN THE THIRD ROW
2. SWOONDERFULLY HAPPY

FRANK'S FAVORITE:
1. PRESENT POP TUNE IS LONG AGO
2. SINGER IS JO STAFFORD
3. OPERA IS LA BOHEME
4. SCENE FROM HIGHER AND HIGHER WAS THE ONE WITH MARCY MC GUIRE WHEN THEY SANG I SAW YOU FIRST

HE ATTENDED:
1. STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY FOR 5 MONTHS. HE WAS GOING TO BE A CIVIL ENGINEER.

TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH:
1. PART OF A SCENE IN H AND H WAS CUT. THEY DECIDED TO WAIT 'TIL FRANK'S 2ND PIC FOR HIS 1ST SCREEN KISS.
2. BIG NANCY SWOONS, TOO. SHE IS VERY THRILLED AND EXCITED ABOUT FRANK'S SUCCESS.

HIS PET PEEVE IS:
1. PEOPLE WHO MAKE A BEEF ABOUT THE SWOONERS BEING SO ENTHUSIASTIC.

A FUNNY REMARK WAS:
1. MADE IN A QUESTION ABOUT F.S.'S SINGING. A GIRL SAID "MR. SINATRA, WHEN YOU BREATHE" — THAT'S ALL!

IN HIS LEISURE TIME HE:
1. READS
2. PLAYS WITH THE KIDS
3. CUTS THE GRASS
4. LISTENS TO RECORDS

NOTICE:

Elsie Ellovich tells us that there's a contest in the East being conducted by station W.I.N.S. between our boy and Bingo. So far, Frank's 120,000 ahead of the Groaner and has tolled over 2,000,000 votes BUT there's a possibility that Bing may win yet (gruesome thot) so send in your vote right away to..Battle of the Baritones, Station W.I.N.S., New York City. Just write Frank's name on a post card and sign your name and address. It's very important that you remember this latter detail. Only one vote to a person. Get that vote in right away!

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My Press Conference -- cont'd.

His pet weaknesses are:
1. symphonic music
2. spaghetti
3. big Nancy
4. little Nancy
5. Jr.

He:
1. sings his children to sleep
2. reads little Nancy stories but she turns the pages back when he skips them (on purpose).
3. would probably be a talent scout if anything happened that he couldn't sing anymore.

Frank's answer to:
1. what he wanted his kids to be, was that he wouldn't interfere in what they did, but whatever it was, they had to be good at it.
2. a question about swing music being a contributing factor to juvenile delinquency was that, anyone who says that is out of their head and that all music is good.

WE:
1. left with happy hearts for we had seen Frank Sinatra.

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DID YOU KNOW THAT - -

By Phyllis Martini

Frank's favorite color ink is purple?
Frank uses Ipana toothpaste?
Frank's middle name is Wayne?
Frank's fave dessert is a big banana split?
Frank's fave song is Night & Day?
Frank's fave color is blue?
Frank's 2nd fave is maroon?
Frank's home in Calif. is pink stucco on the outside?
Frank's home there has a large patio with a fish pond in the middle?
FRANK'S & NANCY'S ROOM IS DONE UP IN BLUE?
THEIR DRESSING ROOM IS BLUE & MAROON PLAID?
FRANK HAS A LITTLE ONE SEATER RUBBER BOAT RIGHT OUT ON TOLUCA LAKE?
FRANK HOPES, ON HIS RETURN EAST, TO PLAY SOME ARMY CAMPS?
FRANK'S GREATEST SUCCESS, PREDICTED BY A WELL-KNOWN HOLLYWOOD ASTRONOMER, WILL COME AT THE END OF THIS YEAR?
FRANK HAS RECORDED BRAHM'S LULLABY FOR ANCHORS AWEIGH?
ANCHOR'S AWEIGH WILL BE IN TECHNICOLOR?
ONE OF FRANK'S CLOSEST FRIENDS IN HOLLYWOOD IS PHIL SILVERS?
FRANK'S FATHER CAN BE SEEN IN THE NEWS REELS, BATTLING THE FLAMES OF HOBOKEN'S GREATEST SHIP-YARD DOCK FIRE, THAT TOOK PLACE TWO WEEKS AGO?
FRANK'S FAVE SPORT IS GOLF?
FRANK'S FAVE ACTRESS IS INGRID BERGMAN?
FRANK SINGS LIKE MAD WHILE TAKING A BATH?

THE SINATRA CRAZE REACHES A NEW PEAK

SALIDA, COLO., JULY 21 - SWOON-CROONER, FRANK SINATRA MAY BE DUE TO JOIN THE ILLUSTRIOUS PERSONALITIES OF HISTORY WHO HAVE GEOGRAPHICAL POINTS NAMED IN HONOR OF THEM.
IT SEEMS THERE'S A MOVE AFOOT TO CHANGE THE NAME OF MOUNT CURAY, NEAR SALIDA, TO MOUNT FRANK SINATRA.
THE IDEA WAS BORN WHEN THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AFTER A STUDY OF THE MOUNTAIN DETERMINED THAT SNOW WHICH REMAINS ON THE PEAK AFTER THE SPRING THAW "SEEMS TO RESEMBLE THE LETTERS 'F' AND 'S'."
IT APPEARS THAT THE MOVE HAS THE APPROVAL OF MORE FEMININE MEMBERS OF THE CITIZENRY THAN OF THE MALE POPULATION OF SALIDA.

(SENT IN BY PHYLLIS MARTINI)

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HOW ABOUT YOU BY BETTS SEXTON

I LIKE FRANK'S DIAMOND RING. . . .
HOW ABOUT YOU?
I THINK HIS SONGS TOP BING'S. . . .
HOW ABOUT YOU?
I LIKE THE CLOTHES HE WEARS AND HIS WAVY HAIR
AND WHEN HE SIGHS A NOTE, SOOOO SOFTLY BENDS A NOTE, I SWOON AND STARE.
I'M MADE ABOUT HIS LOOKS, CAN'T GET MY FILL.
AND EVERY WORD HE SAYS GIVES ME A THRILL.
HE MAY BE SLIGHTLY UNDERWEIGHT; HAVE A SWEET MARRIED MATE
ALAS! IT'S TRUE; BUT, I LOVE HIM. . . . .
HOW ABOUT YOU?

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FOR YOU, FRANKIE - BY CLARA DI MARIA

I LOVE YOU SO MUCH FRANKIE,
I COULD LISTEN TO YOU NIGHT AND DAY.
I'LL CRY SUNDAY, MONDAY, OR ALWAYS
AND I'LL MISS YOU IF YOU GO AWAY.

I KNOW THERE ARE SUCH THINGS AS GOOD SINGERS
WHENEVER I THINK OF YOU.
AND MY HEART TELLS ME YOU'RE WONDERFUL
IN EVERYTHING YOU DO.

I HEAR YOUR RECORDS EVERY DAY
SO I DON'T GET AROUND MUCH ANYMORE.
NOT ONLY ARE YOU WORTH LISTENING TO,
BUT YOU'RE ALSO WORTH FIGHTING FOR.

MAYBE YOU THINK I'M KIDDING,
BUT I'M NOT—I HOPE TO DIE:
I'M TALKING THRU MY HEART TO YOU
AND IT'S A SIN TO TELL A LIE.

I NEVER SAY I'M GETTING TIRED SO I CAN SLEEP
WHEN YOU ARE ON THE AIR.
I'D LISTEN TO THE RADIO EVERY DAY OF MY LIFE
IF I WAS SURE THAT YOU'D BE THERE.

IT ALL COMES BACK TO ME NOW,
WHEN I HEARD YOU FOR THE FIRST TIME—THEN
I SAID "I'LL NEVER MAKE THE SAME MISTAKE
OF MISSING YOU AGAIN".

IF YOU ARE ON THE AIR,
FOR NO MATTER HOW MANY HOURS LONG,
I'LL HEAR YOUR PROGRAM ALL OR NOTHING AT ALL
OR I'LL BE WITHOUT A SONG.

I WANT YOU ON THE AIR FOREVER AND A DAY
NO MATTER WHAT OTHERS SAY OR DO.
'CAUSE I KNOW HOW SWEET YOU ARE
AND I CAN'T STAND LOSING YOU.

WELL, TAKE IT EASY, FRANKIE,
YOUR FANS WILL BE EVER TRUE;
FOR WE NOT ONLY LOVE YOU FOR WHAT YOU ARE,
BUT ALSO BECAUSE YOU'RE YOU.

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NEWS and VIEWS

If you'd like to see your name mentioned here, send in items of interest about our boy.

The critics all liked STEP LIVELY here (Wash. D.C.) and acclaimed Frank as a good light comedian--Mary Lou Rispoli... Frank wore a tweed suit and sang I'LL BE SEEING YOU, THERE'LL BE A HOT TIME IN THE TOWN OF BERLIN and he led everyone in singing THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER at the Hollywood Bowl, June 11. He was the last on the program and it was getting late, so didn't sing anymore. I read ages ago that Frank had made a date to do some more recordings and that one side was to be his theme. I also heard that Frank had a conference with his Columbia bosses because of the chorus he has to sing with--Nancy Holmblad...Nancy Sandy is very cute. As soon as the fans start asking her how her daddy is, etc. she runs away. I guess she gets strict orders from her mother not to say anything about her daddy. Even when some of the kids were trying to take her picture, she cried and said that her mother didn't want her picture taken. I saw Matthews, Frank's personal man. He's very nice to talk to. I saw his new baby. He's so cute. And, of course, I saw Frankie. His house has a glassed-in porch with a piano, records, etc. in it--Grace Reitz....Frank sang COME OUT, SWINGIN' ON A STAR, NIGHT AND DAY, OLD MAN RIVER, Sat. Aug. 26 at a Youth Center Dance in N. Hollywood. He gave a lawn party the next day and wore shorts! --Bev Hargreaves...The latest N.Y. rumor; Frank and Nancy are infanticipating--Ann Troiano...Mrs. Sinatra took Nancy Sandy to see STEP LIVELY and when Frank faked that faint, little Nancy got up and started yelling "Get up, daddy. Get up." Mrs. S. was soooo embarrassed!!!--Janice De Witt... Write to Naval Aid Auxiliary, Autograph Dept. 8615 Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood 46, Calif. and send 25¢ for Frank's autograph --Elsie Ellovich.

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IT COULD HAPPEN TO YOU - BY BETTS SEXTON

VERSE:
OH! SWOONERS WON'T YOU HEAR MY PLEA...
THEN MAYBE YOU'LL AGREE WITH ME, THAT WE CAN NEVER HAPPIER BE
'CAUSE NANCY HAS OUR SWOON BOY HOOKED; I GUESS OUR GOOSES ARE REALLY COOKED...
SO.....
CHORUS:
HIDE FRANK'S SNAPS FROM SIGHT; TURN OFF YOUR RADIO AT NIGHT..... OR...
IT WILL HAPPEN TO YOU.
DON'T PLAY FRANK'S RECORDS, OR YOU MIGHT STUMBLE..
WHEN HE SIGHS A NOTE, I KNOW YOU'LL TUMBLE...
WATCH FRANK'S WEDDING RING; TRY AND LISTEN TO BING. OR.... IT WILL HAPPEN TO YOU.
HEAR FRANK SING NIGHT AND DAY, THAT'S ALL YOU HAVE TO DO...
AND IT'S HAPPENED TO YOU....

SINATRA DATA - By Ginnie

Hi, kids; or should I say "Slaves of Sinatra"? Anyhow, here is a column specially dedicated to the doings of the "Swoon Boy" and his family.

Frankie Boy is kept quite busy by you know who, HIS FANS, also picture work, his radio show (CBS Wed. as if you didn't know) and P.A.ing...But he and Nancy and the kids have a nice home located on Toluca Lake right by the Lakeside Golf Club so if Frank isn't too busy, he may get to swing a mean club at that little white ball, who knows?....He and Nancy plan to pack soon and go back East for a short stay as Frank is scheduled to P.A. at the New York Paramount Starting Oct. 11 for 3 or more weeks....You see, he and Nance plan to live 9 months out of every year in the West and the other 3 in the East. That is why they kept their house in N.J....Frank will finish his new picture ANCHORS AWEIGH for M.G.M. before leaving for the East.... Frankie, Jr. is 8 months old and at this writing, weighs 27 pounds. He is quite the boy. Papa Frank takes care of him and his sister Nancy on Sat. mornings and does he have a time, carrying a bottle around and an extra diaper. Oh, it is quite a thing to see and his fans laugh at him, but they would love to carry that baby themselves...If you are interested in writing Frank, be sure and address it: R.K.O. Radio Pictures, Inc., Melrose and Gower, Hollywood, Calif..... Frank can be heard on the radio on Wed., CBS, 6:00 W.T, 8:00 C.T.; and 9:00 E.T. Also Sat. nite, CBS, on the HIT PARADE, same time as above. He can be heard sometimes on Hollywood Star Time, Mon. thru Fri., 12:15 W.T., 2:15 C.T., and 3:15 E.T.,...Kids! I listen to every program Frankie is on (try to). I have kept a list of every song he has sung on his own program since he started last Jan. 5th, so if you want a list of songs, guest stars, where program came from, etc., write c/o the president, Barbara Burns for my address and I will be glad to send it. Please include a stamp. Thanx. I also have a list of the Hit Parade songs he and the others have sung.

P.S. I have a record of Duerme and Cachita that I will trade for 1 of Sinatra that I don't have or sell it for 50¢. It's by Xavier Cugat.

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ITEM: They laughed when a vitamin outfit sponsored Frank Sinatra on the radio. But Frank is a tough little guy. He once licked two fellows in Tommy Dorsey's orchestra. He was rated the scrappiest guy in (well, next to Tommy) the Dorsey Band.

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FAN CLUB FANFARE

Like to be a joiner? Well, here are some zoot clubs we recommend you join.

FRANK SINATRA -- Md. Chapter of Moonlight Sinatra Club. Ruth Cederberg, 7119 Allison St. Landover Hills, Md., is prexy.

BOB MATTHEWS -- Georgia Chapter. Emily Webb, 1460 Heath St., Augusta, Georgia, prexy. Those not living in Georgia, interested in joining, write Delores Nime, 753 Cummins St. Akron 7, Ohio. Bob sings with Horace Heidt.

GLENN MILLER -- Janice De Witt, 302 Columbus Ave., Hasbrouch Heights, N. J. Members receive a card, 2 pix and there's a club paper, THE SLIPHORN JIVE. Please enclose a 3¢ stamp when writing.

THE SOLID SET -- We cater to the cats' is their slogan. Peggy Griggs, 2215 Vories St., St. Joseph, 62, Mo. is prexy. Those of you who like your music solid, this is for you.

HAL McKUSICK--Plays sax with Boyd Raeburn. Mary Miller, 4806 - 52nd Ave. Edmonston, Md. is the gal to write to. And there aren't any dues.

BOBBY SHERWOOD -- Clara Di Maria, 1420 So. 16th St., Phila. 46, Pa. is the prexy of this newly formed for a popular guy.

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Elsie Ellovich has achieved fame! Motion Picture printed a letter of hers in the Sept. Issue, page 141.

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THE BANDSTAND by Ginnie

Hi! again kids. There is another column on the doings of the entertainment world. Hope you like it. Any suggestions will be welcome. Write in care of your prexy....here we go...The new pictures that have some swell music in them are sure to please all of you. They look pretty good from where I sit. IRISH EYES ARE SMILING has that pretty wonderful fellow Dick Haymes, who sings his way thru just to let you know Frank Sinatra isn't the only crooner in the world. He does a swell job and his girl is June Haver. Dick plays the part of the composer, Ernest Ball, whose songs all America has sung at one time. I'm sure you'll like it. Another good one is SWEET AND LOW DOWN with some of the finest music of its type. It stars B.G. and Jack Oakie and Linda Darnell are also seen in this comedy with music. Goodman is at his best and it should please all the swing fans.....Still another good one is MEET ME IN ST. LOUIS starring Judy Garland who is loved by all This is a cute picture and a different one for Judy. Don't miss it!.....News from here and there (mostly there). Buddy Rich is out of the Marines and back playing the drums for his old boss, Tommy Dorsey.....Helen Forrest is a blonde now and a very pretty one at that. Marion Hutton has been appearing in theaters and clubs since the Glenn Miller band broke up and now has been signed by Universal. She will soon be seen in Babes On Swing Street and in IN SOCIETY with Abbott And Costello...Martha Tilton got a swell break and has the lead in SWING HOSTESS and when that is finished will go overseas with the Jack Benny troupe.....Paramount has signed five bands for their new picture OUT OF THIS WORLD. Namely, Ray Noble, Henry King, Ted Fio Rito, Carmen Cavallers and Joe Reichman. Para has also grabbed Stan Kenton and band for DUFFY'S TAVERN.... Harry James is back in Hollywood after his Eastern trip and is now playing at Ocean Park, Calif... Andy Russell stars on THE OLD GOLD SHOW and is doing fine, from what I hear. The slick chicks are just begging for Andy's records and, of course, there are some fan clubs in his honor. He formerly beat the drums for Alvino Rey and is dickering with the pic studios for a long term contract. He records for Capitol records....Perry Como has returned to N.Y.

WHO'S WHERE - -

AMBASSADOR HOTEL, L.A. FREDDIE MARTIN
ARAGON, CHICAGO-EDDY HOWARD
ASTOR HOTEL, N.Y.-SAMMY KAYE
BILTMORE HOTEL, CALIF-HENRY KING
BLACKHAWK, CHICAGO-CARL RAVAZZA
COLONNADES, OCEAN PARK, CALIF-HARRY JAMES
NEW YORKER HOTEL-JOHNNY LONG
PALLADIUM, HOLLYWOOD-SONNY DUNNAM
PENNSYLVANIA, N.Y.-WOODY HERMAN
TERRACE ROON, NEWARK, N.J.-LEE CASTLE
WALDORF-ASTORIA, NEW YORK-GUY LOMBARDO
EARL CARROLL'S, HOLLYWOOD-MANNY STRAND
SLAPSY MAXIE'S, HOLLYWOOD-FRANKIE MASTERS
CLOVER CLUB, HOLLYWOOD-MATTY MALNECK
MOCAMBO, HOLLYWOOD-PHIL ONMAN..... AND HERE ARE SOME RECOMMENDED RECORDS.

LONG HAIR DEPT. BARBER: OVERTURE TO SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL--JANSSEN SYMPHONY OF LOS ANGELES, WERNER JANSSES, CONDUCTOR....

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