

# MR POPHistory

Week of November 12, 1955



**President Eisenhower** resumes his duties at the White House after a long stay away due to his illness. "I am deeply honored that so many of you should come down to welcome Mrs Eisenhower and me back to Washington. It has been a little longer stay than we had planned, but the circumstances you will understand."

John Gilbert Graham (23) of Denver is arrested for sabotaging a United Airlines plane on November 1, causing it to crash. Forty-four persons died in the crash. Graham had been in debt and took \$37,500 worth of insurance on his mother at the Denver airport where she boarded the plane. Graham admitted he placed a bomb in the bottom of her luggage and set to 90 minutes. Wreckage and bodies were scattered over a two-mile area. Graham was also in line to inherit \$150 thousand from his mother's estate.

Former pro-baseball player Ty Cobb wins a \$50 thousand lawsuit over a civil suit filed by a wealthy rancher - who said he was injured in a fight with Cobb over a dinner check.

Former Illinois governor **Adlai Stevenson** announces he will vigorously seek renomination next year as the Democratic presidential candidate. "In the first place, I believe it important for the Democratic party to resume the executive direction of our national affairs ... Second, I am assured that my candidacy would be welcomed by representative people in and out of my party throughout the country ... Third, I believe any citizen should make whatever contribution he can to the search for a safer, saner world."



Despite a deadlock with Russia at Geneva, President Eisenhower says the U.S. "will never admit defeat" in its quest for world peace. "Success may be long in coming, but no setback, no obstacle to progress will ever deter this government and our people from the great effort to establish a just and durable peace."



New at the mart - Marlboro cigarettes - they also come in the Flip-Top box. "Smokers call it the most advanced cigarette package they ever saw" - Fits into a shirt pocket nice as you please. No loose tobacco. In the purse - cigarettes won't crush - or pick up the taste of cosmetics. "A fine new filter cigarette

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protected in a distinctive crush-proof box. Delivers the goods on flavor.”

Orson Wells (40) and wife (Italian) actress Paouia Mori (24) are proud parents of a daughter. It's his third daughter. She's the former Countess De Girfalco.

Mrs Florence Ann Torme (29) is granted a divorce from her singer-husband Mel Torme. She told a judge he was on the road nine months out of the year and when they were together he was “cold, indifferent and extremely temperamental.” She also says he had too many hobbies - with too little time for his family. Mrs Keenan Wynn testified that when the couple argued, they could be heard across the street at her home.

Passing - Robert E. Sherwood (59) - won three Pulitzer Prizes for drama.

Bestsellers - “Marjorie Morningstar” - Herman Wouk, “The Tontine” - Thomas B. Costain, “Treasure of Pleasant Valley” - Frank Yerby, “Better Homes and Garden Junior Cook Book,” “Inside Africa” - John Gunther, “Angel Unaware” - Dale Evans Rogers.



Christmas for the kids... **Superman muscle building kit - everything to help youngsters build Superman-like physiques. By Peter Puppet Playthings -**

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\$2.98



... a 10 inch Tricycle bike - \$9.88 ...  
Raggedy Ann & Andy - 19 1/2" dolls - \$3.95 each  
... **Slinky Dog pull toy** - has slinky-spring body.  
Beloved "pet" for tots (By James Industries) -  
\$1.98

Saturday Night TV - CBS - Beat The Clock, Stage Show, The Honeymooners, Two For The Money, It's Always Jan, Gunsmoke, Damon Runyon Theater ... NBC - The Big Surprize, The Perry Como Show, People Are Funny, Texaco Star Theater w/ Jimmy Durante Show, The George Gobel Show, Your Hit Parade ... ABC - Ozark Jubilee, The Grand Ol Opry, The Lawrence Welk Show.

The Honeymooners - Ralph and Norton purchase a TV set together.

The Big Surprize - game show with Jack Barry



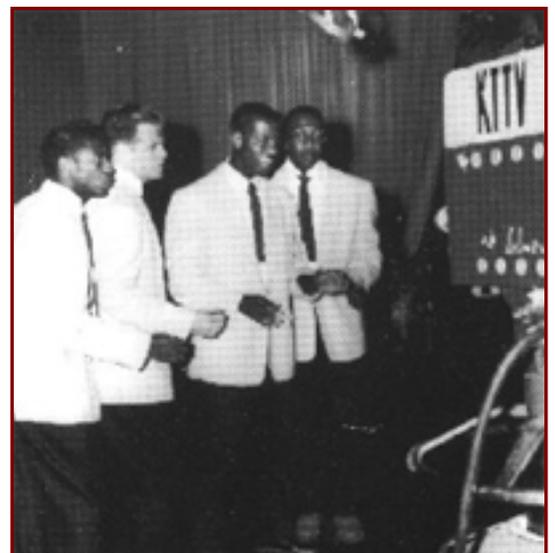
The Perry Como Show - guests **Dorothy Kirsten** and Richard Eagan

Texaco Star Theatre Starring Jimmy Durante - Jimmy and Jeannie Carson and Peter Lawford guest.

"Davy Crockett" turns up again on "Disneyland" this week on ABC in a brand new episode. This time, he turns up as a Mississippi River trapper who turns river boatman. Fess Parker stars.

In Los Angeles -

The city's first Rock and Roll television show premieres with "The Johnny Otis Show" on KTTV - channel 11. Otis describes the music as the "nervous rhythm of the atomic age." First week's guests - Jeannie Barnes, Mel Williams, The Sheiks, **Don Julian and the Meadowlarks**, Marie Adams and Arthur Mathews." It's a whole lot of music in a half hour.



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NBC says it is spending \$12 million to expand its color-TV facilities in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles with construction of new studios and Technicolor equipment.



Saturday mornings on CBS - "**Captain Midnight**" starring **Richard Webb**, "Tales of the Texas Rangers" with Willard Parker, "The Big Top" with Jack Sterling as your ringmaster, "The Lone Ranger" with Clayton Moore.

In New York on WRCA Radio (660) - tune into Bill Cullen and "Pulse" - every morning. Up to the minute weather reports ... regular time signals, traffic twice in the 7:oclock hour and much much more.

Canadians able to watch American TV object to a remark Bob Hope makes about Princess Margaret's broken romance. On his NBC show, Hope remarked about her decision not to marry Group Captain Peter Townsend - which made the news this week. "Townsend should have known better than to try and play the palace ... I never could."

**Pop music this week in 1955** - "Autumn Leaves" - Roger Williams, "Moments To Remember" - The Four Lads, "The Shifting, Whispering Sands" - **Rusty Draper**. "The Shifting, Whispering Sands" - Billy Vaughn Orchestra, "Only You" - The Platters, "At My Front Door (Crazy Little Mama)" - Pat Boone, "You Are My Love"- Joni James, "He" - The McGuire Sisters, "Love Is A Many Splendored Thing" - The Four Aces, "Love and Marriage" - Frank Sinatra, "Someone You Love" - Nat "King" Cole, "At My Front Door" - The El Dorados, "Rock-A-Beatin' Boogie" - Bill Haley & His Comets, "Sixteen Tons" - Tennessee Ernie Ford



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At the movies –

**Guys and Dolls** - Marlon Brando, Jean Simmons, Frank Sinatra, Vivian Blaine

**Rebel Without A Cause** - James Dean, Natalie Wood, Sal Mineo

Quentin Durward - Robert Taylor, Kay Kendall, Robert Morely

**The Tender Trap** - Frank Sinatra, Debbie Reynolds, David Wayne, Celeste Holm

Illegal - Edward G. Robinson,

**Lucy Gallant** - Jane Wyman, Charlton Heston

**The Desperate Hours** - Humphrey Bogart, Fredric March

**I Died A Thousand Times** - Jack Palance, Shelly Winters.

**Oklahoma!** - Gordon MacRae, Gloria Grahame, Gene Nelson