



DON ROBERTSON

The leader of the Ranch Boys, Don Robertson is well known by CKNX listeners as he's been a featured artist on Saturday nights for many years. Don's voice lends well to ballads and folk songs and his ability to play the bass violin and spanish guitar makes him a handy man to have around.

Don was born near Bluevale, Ontario and has lived in Wingham for many years. Don's wife is no stranger to CKNX listeners as many will remember Cora when she played with the Ranch Boys. With two such artists around the house, one of their two daughters or son is slated for future billing on the Barn Dance. Who knows, it might be a trio.



ROSS MANN

The biggest single feature to appear on the Barn Dance best describes Ross Mann as he tips the scales close to the 400 mark. Whether his earlier days, filled with an abundance of country air and wide open spaces on his father's farm encouraged his growth is something that he himself cannot answer.

Many a toe-tapping session has been inspired by his fiddle playing and Ross has built quite a reputation as a comic singer.

Ross was born in Clinton, Ont., and now resides on a small farm outside of Wingham. He's married and has a son Harvey.

Bashful Boy



ERNIE KING

Ernie King was first introduced to the CKNX public in August, 1948 and the response from listeners more than assured him that the welcome mat would be out every Saturday night. Ernie's smooth voice lends an added touch to romantic cowboy ballads that causes many a young heart to skip a beat.

This shy young star spent his cradle days in Penetanguishene, Ont. He was born March 8, 1929. Ernie now resides in Wingham with his wife Thelma whom he married in August, 1950.

Musical Dean



REG BITTON

Reg Bitton is no stranger to the entertainment world. At the age of 16, he was part of a vaudeville troupe and his musical career got its foundation when Reg was at the tender age of 10 and a member of the hometown Listowel Band. Over the years his desire for music inspired his knowledge of instruments such as the trombone, trumpet, accordian, piano and many more. Reg has been a member of the Ranch Boys since July, 1948.

Born August 18, 1927, Reg is married, has a daughter and son and resides in Belgrave.

His hobbies include sport and composing songs.



GEORGE JORDAN

Partners for a square dance. Probably those were the first words George Jordan ever spoke and he's still saying them, only now they send folks into sets to kick up their heels to a lively hoedown. George is known as "Western Ontario's Foremost Caller" and is a member of the Ranch Boys.

George has a thorough knowledge of farming and his 5' 5" frame has turned over many a furrow. Recently he retired from farming and now spends his leisure moments at his home in Belgrave with his wife and family.

"Hoot Man"



ARCHIE MANN

Archie Mann wastes little time informing the public that he is a true Scotchman and proves it by filling the air with the skirl of the bagpipes now and then. Truly, it's oldtime fiddling that occupies Archie's activity with the Ranch Boys. Incidentally, he's not related to Ross Mann.

He operates a farm near Monkton, Ont., and is accredited a very efficient tiller of the soil.

Archie is married and included in his family is a set of twins and a daughter Marion.



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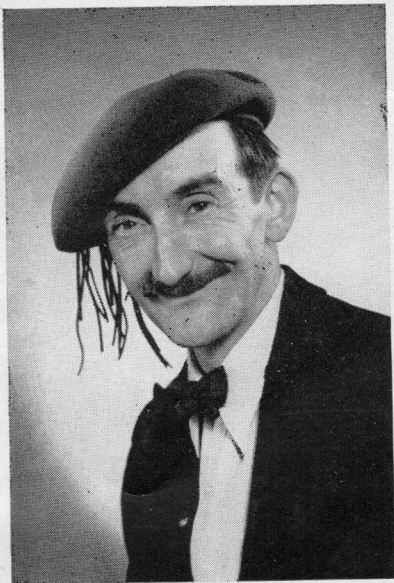
CACTUS MAC

Cactus Mac has been totin' a guitar and singing cowboy songs long enough to earn him the title of "The Grand-daddy of the Hillbillies". His unconcerned manner and witty remarks along with his songs has won him a score of loyal fans, both young and old.

Cactus has travelled Canada and the U.S.A. and has appeared on more radio stations than a cat has whiskers. Our suggestion is that you chat with him sometime.

Cactus Mac is in reality Albert MacDonald and claims Lucknow, Ontario as his birthplace. He served in World War I and is one of the veterans of the Barn Dance. You guess his age.

Singing Irishman



CLARKE JOHNSTON

Clarke insists on the "T" in Johnston because it reveals that he's Irish. He is more than proud to be a son of the Emerald Isle although Clarke was born in Belgrave, Ont. This "Singing Irishman" is in his glory when he can pipe out the praises of the shamrock or step dance to an Irish jig.

Clarke is happily married and has a family. Besides being one of the featured entertainers of the Barn Dance, he keeps himself busy running his farm.



ELMER PURDON

Most people call him "Judge" because of his thorough knowledge of the laws of remote broadcasting that are essential in his capacity as technical advisor of the Barn Dance.

Elmer Purdon hails from Huron County, is 5'8" tall. He attended Wingham High School and later specialized in telegraphy. Elmer certainly is a square shooter, being a crack rifle shot. He won the Canadian Championship in 1923.

Elmer joined the staff of CKNX in 1944, is married and has one daughter Gail.

"Howdy Folks"



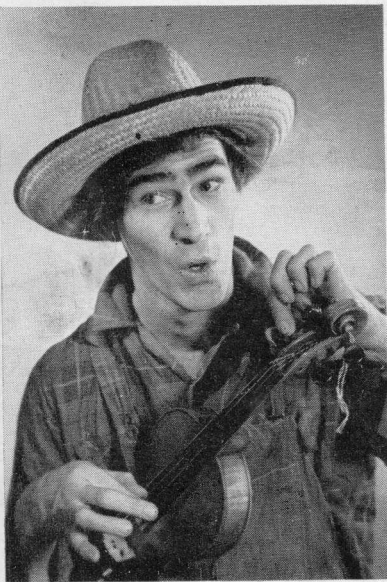
JACK GORBUTT

A winning smile and a pleasing personality has made Jack Gorbutt a valuable asset in the Public Relations Department of the CKNX Barn Dance.

Jack's birthplace is Wingham, Ont., April 1, 1923. He obtained his public and high school education in his home town and exchanged marriage vows on May 28th, 1943 with Lillian Angus, a CKNX employee.

Jack is part owner of a woodworking plant, his full time position since his return from overseas where he served 3 years with the Army Service Corps.

Hobbies include sports and eating.



LUCKY AMBEAULT

A laugh a minute is furnished by this hillbilly comic who hails from Bathurst N.B. Lucky, although featured as a comedian on the Barn Dance, is also a versatile musician. He plays guitar, fiddle, mandolin and bass violin.

Lucky is single and was born March 25th, 1929 and had previous radio experience before coming to CKNX. He played on many New Brunswick stations, including CKNB Campbellton, CKCW Moncton, CFBC St. John and CFNB Fredericton.

Although dressed in rags on the stage, Lucky likes good cowboy clothes. Lucky's hobbies are few since he devotes most of his time to music.
