

The Halls of Ivy

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Research Log:

The Halls of Ivy was an NBC radio sitcom that ran from 1950-1952. It was created by *Fibber McGee & Molly* co-creator/writer Don Quinn before being adapted into a CBS television comedy (1954-55) produced by ITC Entertainment and Television Programs of America. British husband-and-wife actors Ronald Colman and Benita Hume starred in both versions of the show.

Quinn developed the show after he had decided to leave *Fibber McGee & Molly* in the hands of his protégé Phil Leslie. *The Halls of Ivy's* audition program featured radio veteran Gale Gordon (then co-starring in *Our Miss Brooks*) and Edna Best in the roles that ultimately went to the Colmans, who'd shown a flair for radio comedy in recurring roles on *The Jack Benny Program* in the late 1940s.

The Halls of Ivy featured Colman as William Todhunter Hall, the president of small, Midwestern Ivy College, and his wife, Victoria, a former British musical comedy star who sometimes felt the tug of her former profession, and followed their interactions with students, friends and college trustees. Others in the cast included Herbert Butterfield as testy board chairman Clarence Wellman; Willard Waterman (then starring as Harold Perry's successor as *The Great Gildersleeve*) as board member John Merriweather; and, Elizabeth Patterson and Gloria Gordon as the Halls' maid.

The series ran 109 half-hour radio episodes from January 6, 1950 to June 25, 1952, with Quinn, Jerome Lawrence, and Robert Lee writing most of the scripts and giving free if even more sophisticated play to Quinn's knack for language play, inverted clichés and swift puns (including the show's title and lead characters), a knack he'd shown for years writing *Fibber McGee & Molly*. Jerome Lawrence and Robert Lee continued as a writing team; their best-known play is *Inherit the Wind*.

Cameron Blake, Walter Brown Newman, Robert Sinclair, and Milton and Barbara Merlin became writers for the program as well. But listeners were surprised to discover that the episode of 27 September 1950, "The Leslie Hoff Painting," a story tackling racial prejudice, was written by Colman himself.

The sponsors were Schlitz Brewing Company and then Nabisco on the TV series. Nat Wolff produced and directed, Henry Russell handled the music and radio veteran Ken Carpenter was the announcer.

Above from Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

In Recognition: Welcome to this work. It has been a collaborative effort, put together with work from the many volunteers within the OTR Researchers Group and others in the OTR Community. I have mixed emotions about listing their names for fear of missing some of them or worse, misspelling a name. No Fear, we proceed. Special kudos to Walt Pattinson for his original work transcribing the Wiki first lines and Ben Kibler for his tireless newspaper research. Walt's GREAT website is

<http://www.usfamily.net/web/wpattinson/otr/openings/ivy.shtml#OPENING>

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Using This Document – Conventions:

- Series Name for this work will be The Halls of Ivy aka HOIV.
- AKA: This series does not broadcast each episode name so there is a preponderance of titles given to some episodes. Also limited access to the scripts has not helped in naming each episode. The consensus or newspaper listed title is used for each episode.
- Network Affiliation is NBC for the duration of the series and will not be identified in each episode.
- Sponsored by: will be included. Embedded product usage are included and noted when available.
- First Line: The first spoken dramatic line of the available recordings. These are the lines that immediately follow Ken Carpenter's standard opening for the show (see the Anthology document for deviations of the show opening):
"Welcome again to Ivy. Ivy College, that is, in the town of Ivy, U.S.A."
- The Plot: provides a brief subjective description of the plot highlights. Spoilers like a last minute plot twist are avoided.
- Credits: Listed from the announced cast and crew plus other sources when available.
- The End of Show: items include information provided by the announcer or a public service announcement beyond the end of the drama.
- Comments: is used to denote various details about the episode or issues that can't be resolved from current research.
- Some episodes may include a section, Duplicate: to identify known rebroadcast of the same show such as AFRS*, AFRTS*, or reuse of the script or reuse of the first line or reuse of the title. Some episodes are actual recordings from Voice of America* publications and have had the commercial spots removed.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Title line and other information for episodes that are NOT AVAILABLE will be boxed as this example. |
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- Sequential Episode Numbers. There always seems to be a general lack of consensus for episode numbers in the majority of series. Episode 071 was created in error and removed from the episode list. The episodes following 071 were not renumbered to reflect this change. The episode numbers used with this collection are those used in the current version of Otter.

http://www.otrr.org/pg02_otrdb.htm

- The left margin column is used for broadcast play dates. Followed by assigned episode numbers when available. Other left margin markers are EPS, which identifies changes in Episode broadcast information.
- Transcribed first lines of the spoken word are included with this collection and are also duplicated at Wiki-On-Line.

<http://www.otrr.org/pmwiki/FirstLines/HomePage>

- All times quoted are Eastern Standard unless noted.

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Any series information collected for this certification that did not seem appropriate for this log has been placed in The Halls of Ivy Anthology document. One example is the discrete changes in the show format over time. These are available in the Anthology courtesy of

<http://www.usfamily.net/web/wpattinson/otr/openings/ivy.shtml#OPENING>

Total of original broadcasts	109	Total Number of repeat broadcasts	2
		Total Number of episodes	109
Total of scripts used twice	2	Number of episodes in Certified Set	88
*All episodes are not available to confirm these values			

Lead Actors Tenure:		From:	To:
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Colman (Benita Hume)		Jan 6, 1950	June 25, 1952

EPS There are two copies of the original audition episode. One dated June 22, 1949 and the other dated June 23. There is no evidence this audition was ever broadcast although it was recorded in front of a live audience and announced as an NBC production. There is a reference that the 2nd production was produced to circulate among prospective show sponsors. The lead actors of the audition show were Gale Gordon and Edna Best, replaced by Ronald Colman and his wife Benita Hume for the actual series.

49/06/22 000 The Halls of Ivy Audition Show

Sponsored by: Not sponsored

First Line: *Welcome to Ivy, the town of Ivy and Ivy College. It is co-educational and non-sectarian, and its age is indicated by the fact that, until recently, the curriculum required two years of Greek. Ivy is All American. Its student body is a pretty fair cross section of our country's youthful...*

Plot: Will Dr. Hall be re-appointed the head of Ivy College?

Credits: Gale Gordon, Edna Best, Herbert Rawlinson, Gloria Gordon, Herb Butterfield, Willard Waterman, Lee Millar, Norman Field, Leo Cleary, Don Quinn (creator), Nat Wolff (director), Henry Russell (music), Don Stanley (announcer)

End of Show: NBC Chimes

Comment: Apparently two formats of an intro were aired. This, the first, emphasized the integrity of Ivy College and ultimately was selected. The same script was used for the first show of the series.

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EPS The audition show of 6/23/49 using a partial script starts with a man talking to Don Quinn (show creator) about colleges for his son. This was a private performance, no live audience. It was used to present to potential buyers and sponsor candidates.

49/06/23 000 The Halls of Ivy Private Audition Show

Sponsored by: Not sponsored

First Line: (Unidentified voice): "Hey Don! Don Quinn! Oh I'm sorry. I didn't know you were busy."
Chairman of the Board of Regents: "Gentlemen, I regret that this has been a rather long, drawn out session and your restlessness is certainly excusable."

Plot: The Board of Regents has gathered to discuss Dr. Hall's reappointment as president of Ivy College. Subplot tells how Dr. Hall met his future wife, an English actress.

Credits: Gale Gordon, Edna Best, Herbert Rawlinson, Gloria Gordon, Herb Butterfield, Willard Waterman, Lee Millar, Norman Field, Leo Cleary, Don Quinn (creator), Nat Wolff (director), Henry Russell (music), Don Stanley (announcer)

End of Show: NBC Chimes

Comment: This audition tape was supposedly prepared for distribution to potential sponsors and investors.

EPS The premier show uses the same script as the audition shows but has Ronald Colman and his wife Benita Hume in the lead roles. Quote from the San Antonio Express, Friday, Jan 6, 1950:
Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Colman, appearing in their own network radio program for the first time, will be co-starred in "The Halls of Ivy," a new weekly situation comedy series which will begin on the NBC network Friday. Colman will play Dr. William Todhunter Hall, college president, and Mrs. Colman will be his vivacious wife, Victoria, a former English musical comedy star. WOAI – 7 p.m. CST.

50/01/06 001 The Halls of Ivy Reappointment

Premier Opening Show: Good evening, this is Ken Carpenter saying welcome to the world premier of a new Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Colman show, "The Halls of Ivy." Sponsored by Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co., the brewers of Schlitz, the beer that made Milwaukee famous.

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Ivy College is co-educational and non-sectarian, and its age is indicated by the fact that, until recently, the curriculum required two years of Greek. Ivy is All American. Its student body is a pretty fair cross section of our country's youthful...*

Plot: Will Dr. Hall be re-appointed as head of Ivy College?

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Gloria Gordon, Herb Butterfield, Herbert Rawlinson, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Lee Millar, Nat Wolff (director), Willard Waterman.

End of Show: Network promo for "We The People", next.

Comment: Same script as audition show, different cast.

50/01/13 002 The Halls of Ivy Student Editorial

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *We suppose most people regard a college president, when they happen to think of him at all, as a man concerned only with scholarly matters, such as a fat endowment or a new football stadium. This is a profound misconception. In most respects...*

Plot: Jared Buckley, an Ivy student, has written a libelous editorial concerning the Governor in the student newspaper that is most distressful to Mr. Wellman

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Gloria Gordon, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Herb Butterfield, Nat Wolff (director), Roland Morris, Walter Newman (writer).

End of Show: Network promo for "We The People", next.

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50/01/20 003 The Halls of Ivy The Gangster's Son

AKA: Mike Millot

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy College, has all the troubles common to college presidents. They consist mostly of fiscal matters, financial affairs, and money. As he's often been heard to say, a man in his position must be one...*

Plot: Gangster Mike Millott asks Dr. Hall to allow him to purchase the gym for the school on the condition that his son, Eddie Gray can get into a College Fraternity.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Gloria Gordon, William Conrad, Gil Stratton, Jr. Ted Osbourne, Willard Waterman, Herbert Butterfield, Don Quinn (creator, co-writer), Walter Brown Newman (writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Nat Wolff(director) Ken Carpenter (announcer)

End of Show: Network promo for "We The People", next.

50/01/27 004 The Halls of Ivy Wellman's Nose – Charter Day Ceremonies

AKA: Wellman's Nose

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Dr. Hall, William Todhunter Hall, the president of Ivy, has problems, shared by Mrs. Hall, the former Victoria Cromwell of the London stage. Problems not entirely curricular. Their immediate worry concerns the sudden, and so far...*

Plot: On the eve of the Charter Day ceremony, Clarence Wellman suffers from stage jitters which have caused his nose to swell enormously.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Gloria Gordon, Peter Leeds, Herbert Butterfield, Henry Blair, Don Quinn (creator, writer) Henry Russell (Composer, conductor), Walter Brown Newman (writer), Nat Wolff(director) Ken Carpenter (announcer)

End of Show: Network promo for "We The People", next.

50/02/03 005 The Halls of Ivy Dr Bromley, Shakespeare Expert

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *The last class of the day has been dismissed and both the students and faculty are relaxing. In the home of Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, and his wife, formerly a shining light of the London stage, Dr Hall is lying on the couch and Mrs....*

Plot: Chester Bromley, the famed Shakespearean scholar, is coming to visit Ivy and perhaps to stay! Vicky helps unsnarl a campus crisis.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Gloria Gordon, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director), Walter Newman (writer), Willard Waterman, William Johnstone.

50/02/10 006 The Halls of Ivy The Snowman

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Five people didn't go to bed at all last night here at Ivy. Grogan, the campus policeman who was making his rounds, two sophomores and a freshman who were investigating certain mathematical phenomena, such as the odds of drawing to an inside straight...*

Plot: Dr. Hall is disappointed when the night after the first snowfall occurs, and the students haven't built a snowman out on his front lawn.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Alan Reed, Gloria Gordon, Arthur Q. Bryan, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Walter Newman (writer), Nat Wolff (director), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Ken Carpenter (announcer),

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End of Show: Ronald Colman presents a PSA on behalf of the Heart Association. Ken Carpenter announces Congratulations to Connecticut station WTIC, on their 25th Anniversary. Network promo for the following program "We The People."

Comment: Repeated 51/12/19 as episode 083, The Snowman.

50/02/17 007 The Halls of Ivy The Chinese Student

AKA: Prejudice; Substitute for Reverend Gilby

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Dr. William Todhunter Hall, like any other college president or almost any kind of executive has to make certain concessions to his superior officers. For instance, he must on occasion have lunch with some of the members of the Board of Governors...*

Plot: Dr. Hall uses the opportunity of an address in the Ivy chapel to speak of tolerance and brotherhood, after a Chinese student leaves Ivy because of prejudice.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Barbara Jean Wong, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Gloria Gordon, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Herb Butterfield, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director), Walter Newman (writer), Willard Waterman

End of Show: Network promo for the following program "We The People."

50/02/24 008 The Halls of Ivy Student Thief

AKA: Is Eddie Grey a Thief? Vindication for Eddie Grey;

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, has been working in his study all morning, but he leaves it now to join his wife, the former Victoria Cromwell of the English musical comedy stage. As he enters the living room, Mrs. Hall...*

Plot: Dr. Hall and "Doc" Fish, the Ivy barber, try to clear the name of Eddie Gray, a student suspected of stealing from the campus bookstore.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ben Wright, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Earle Ross, Gil Stratton, Gloria Gordon, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director).

End of Show: Network promo for the following program "We The People."

50/03/03 009 The Halls of Ivy Merton Sevada's Crush

AKA: 15 Year Old in Love with Vicki; Merton Sevada's In Love

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Spring came to Ivy a few days ago, and in spring, as we all know, a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love, just as it does in summer, and autumn, and in winter. Sometimes it doesn't turn lightly at all but with a resounding crash, and...*

Plot: Fifteen-year-old genius Merton Sevada is in love...with Mrs. Hall!

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Barney Phillips, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Gloria Gordon, Henry Blair, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director), Walter Newman (writer)

End of Show: Network promo for the following program "We The People."

50/03/10 010 The Halls of Ivy Victoria's New Review

AKA: Lead in New York Play

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's a little past noon, and so far it's been an ordinary day. At the home of Ivy's president, Dr. William Todhunter Hall, and his wife, the former Victoria Cromwell of the English theater, Dr. Hall is just entering the living room where he meets...*

Plot: Mrs. Hall's old theatrical partner invites her to play the lead in a new Broadway production

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Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Joseph Kearns, Janet Waldo, Gloria Gordon, Walter Brown Neuman (writer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Nat Wolff (director), Henry Russell (composer, conductor)

End of Show: Ronald Colman presents a PSA for the Red Cross.

50/03/17 011 The Halls of Ivy Dirty Politics

AKA: Mr. Granger vs. Dr. Hall; Town Politics,

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Today is the windiest day of the windiest month of the year here at Ivy. It's also the day chosen by the members of Ivy's Board of Governors for their quarterly meeting. Let those that will make the most of this coincidence. Ivy's president,...*

Plot: Is "Willow Walk" a lover's lane or a den of vice? Dr. Hall battles P. T. Grainger, a machine politician.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Edwin Max, Eleanor Audley, Herb Butterfield, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Walter Brown Neuman (writer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Nat Wolff (director)

End of Show: announcer "You're tuned for the stars on NBC"

Comment: Benita sneezes on cue in the script, but must have sprayed someone as the audience cracks up.

50/03/24 012 The Halls of Ivy Professor Gerhardt's Secret

AKA: Is Professor Gerhardt Cheating?

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *The President of Ivy College has a residence on the campus that is known to the student body naturally enough as "The Powerhouse." And here are the powers themselves, Dr. William Todhunter Hall and his wife Victoria, a former glittering...*

Plot: Mrs. Gerhardt comes to the Hall's home for advice because she sees evidence that her husband Egyptology and Archeology Professor Hans Gerhardt may be seeing another woman. William learns the address that Prof. Gerhardt has been going to, and goes to it. Hall learns that Professor Gerhardt has been visiting a crippled child named Christine Leslie, that's Gerhardt's secret. That he wishes to adopt as a surprise for his wife, and during his visits Uncle Hans has been playing wonderful imaginative games with her.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Nat Wolff (director), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Hans Conried, Richard LeGrand, Walter Brown Neuman (writer), Florence Wolcott, Anne Whitfield.

End of Show: Ronald and Benita Colman speak on behalf of the National Society for Crippled Children and Adults and the Easter Seals Campaign.

50/03/31 013 The Halls of Ivy The Ivy Chamber Music and Knockwurst Society

AKA: Music and Knockwurst Society

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Music, as we all know, has always played a large part in college life, and most college presidents enjoy it in all its forms, from the students Wiffenpoof Song, thru Beethoven's Ninth, right up to that most musical of all sounds, the rustle...*

Plot: Will Dr. Hall be invited to join the "Ivy Chamber Music and Knockwurst Society" to play the Piffle flute?

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Alan Reed, Cliff Arquette, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Frank Martin (announcer), Gloria Gordon, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director), Walter Newman (writer)

50/04/07 014 The Halls of Ivy Toddy Plays Hooky

AKA: Professor Hall Plays Sick

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

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First Line: *A college president, as some of us may not know, leads a life of quiet desperation. You see, the more money the school needs, the harder he works. The harder he works, the more the school grows. The more it grows, the more it needs. And the more...*

Plot: Dr. Hall decides to play hooky and go on a picnic. This is not as easy as it seems.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Hy Averbach (announcer), Gil Stratton, Frank Martin, Walter Newman (writer), Don Quinn (writer, creator), Nat Wolff.

End of Show: announcer "Next is We The People at the Circus over NBC"

50/04/14 015 The Halls of Ivy Mrs. Foster's Lost Dog

AKA: Lost Dog

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *You know many people think of a college president who spends most of his time worrying about his school's financial situation. Now, this is a profound misconception. A college president does not worry about money most of the time. He worries...*

Plot: While on their way to Mrs. Foster's dinner party, the Hall's see a friendly lost dog, which follows them. Since they can't take a stray to the dinner party, they knock on every door in the neighborhood to locate the owner. By the time they meet Mr. Wellman, they are a half hour late, and Mrs. Foster has torn up her endowment check and retired to her room. Victoria reminds William about the time they were getting ready for the Embassy Ball, which leads to his flashback. On meeting Mrs. Foster, she reveals that she is upset not only because of the cancelled dinner party, but because her dog is lost. William explains that the lost dog is the reason that they are late, and whistles to it. Mrs. Foster increases her endowment to include the reward for finding her dog.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Herb Butterfield, Herb Vigran, Jack Kruschen, Jane Morgan, Janet Scott, Jerry Hausner, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director), Walter Newman (writer).

End of Show: announcer "Next is We The People over most of these NBC stations"

Comment: Published newspaper logs indicate the evening's plot concerns the discovery that Dr. Hall has been working on a manuscript for several years and then he discovers that one of the faculty has been working on the same project. This is an unresolved conflict.

50/04/21 016 The Halls of Ivy Traffic and Cocoanuts

AKA: Mrs. Halls Traffic Tickets; Recording of Victoria Singing; To Drugstore for Thermometer

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's early in the evening with the spring dusk settling over the campus and the vespers stillness spinning its quiet web over the great oaks and maples of Faculty Row. At the home of Dr. William Todhunter Hall, Ivy's president and his English...*

Plot: William has a cold, so Victoria orders him bed rest and leaves to go to the drugstore. William begins to worry when she doesn't return. Mr. Maryweather visits and plays a record of Victoria from the Jr. Talent Show that Mrs. Maryweather is extremely jealous of. As Mr. Maryweather talks, William has a flashback of eavesdropping on Ian as he gave Victoria unasked advice. Victoria breaks into his flashback while taking his temperature, and admits that she got by a traffic cop, which is what held her up. On explanation, she forgot to carry her driver's license, ran through a stop sign, sped, and hit a fire hydrant because she wanted to miss the bicycles in front of the drug store. After Mr. Maryweather leaves they have a laugh over the record that he left.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Eric Snowden, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director), Willard Waterman.

Comment: Published newspaper logs indicate the evening's plot is about Dr. Hall getting a traffic ticket.

50/04/28 017 The Halls of Ivy The Scofield Prize

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

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First Line: *As most of us know, teachers are intensely concerned with books. Many of them write books, too. Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, is one of these. He finished writing a book early this spring and with mounting anxiety has been...*

Plot: Dr. Hall's newly finished biography has just won the \$20,000 Scofield Prize...or has it?

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Bea Benaderet, Bob Sweeney, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director), Willard Waterman

End of Show: Announcement: The Halls of Ivy will be heard on Wednesday instead of Friday.

50/05/05 018 The Halls of Ivy Student Actress

AKA: Mrs. Hall's Letter

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's that period of watchful waiting which happens every spring between Easter vacation and final exams. Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, spends his days now in careful consideration of possible results of year-end fatigue. His wife...*

Plot: Dr. and Mrs. Hall are under attack because of a letter written by Mrs. Hall advocating a life in show business to a student's mother praising her daughter's acting skills. The mother contributed over \$250,000 to the school, and she is Mr. Wellman's sister and, like him, disapproves of actresses.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Bea Benaderet, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Paula Winslow, Herb Butterfield, Gale Gordon, Jerry Hauser, Raymond Lawrence, Harry Martin, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Lois Corbett, Lucille Norman, Nat Wolff (director), Willard Waterman.

End of Show: Ronald Colman & Benita Hume announce that Halls of Ivy will be heard on Wednesday instead of Friday.

Comment: The program's theme song is sung completely.

EPS Broadcast changes from Friday at 7:00 p.m. to Wednesday at 8:00 p.m.

50/05/10 019 The Halls of Ivy Mrs. Whitney's Statue

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's an old American custom when an individual achieves pre-eminence in any particular field to ascribe to him a wisdom and clairvoyance embracing the entire field of human activity. Thus the millionaire bobby pin manufacturer becomes an...*

Plot: Mrs. Whitney offers to pay for Ivy College's new gym, but displaying her heroic new sculpture is part of the deal.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Jerry Hausner, Gale Gordon, Paula Winslowe, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Nat Wolff (director), Hector Chevigny (writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Herb Butterfield, Raymond Lawrence, Henry Martin.

50/05/17 020 The Halls of Ivy Dr. Abel

AKA: 60 Year Old Goes to College;

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *The campus has taken on an air of serenity and peace. There are no whistling students nor singing co-eds on the streets. All is quiet because final exams are on and the college year is almost over. Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy,*

Plot: It's the end of the semester and Dr. and Mrs. Hall discuss their summer plans. Mike Kander arrives, and asks Dr. Hall about his father, who came to America from abroad. Mike would like to enroll his father as a freshman. After the prom, they bring Abel Kander home for a midnight snack. Abel seems somewhat upset by his son's offer to enroll him, and decides the next day, and Abel is not going to stand in his son's way. Dr. Hall informs Abel of how proud Mike is of his father, which enlightens Abel. Abel makes a speech at Mike's bachelor party. Dr. Hall gives Abel Kander an honorary degree as Doctor of Humanity.

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Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Sam Hearn, Sam Edwards, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Nat Wolff (director).

End of Show: Promo for Ronald Colman's current movie, *Champagne for Caesar*, released May 11, 1950.

50/05/24 021 The Halls of Ivy The Fighting Med Student

AKA: Boxing Promoter; Boxing vs. Medicine

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *When a college student with a flair for literature or economics graduates into a high salaried position which utilizes his natural talents, he's honored and acclaimed. But when a college athlete, endowed with swift coordination and physical...*

Plot: Terry Ryan is a medical student that has a chance to become a professional prize fighter. To gently persuade Terry to finish school, Dr. Hall has Terry see Beans Philips, a former boxer cutting the hedge on his way to the medical building. This makes an impression on Terry, who decides to finish medical school.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Sheldon Leonard as Beans, Ken Christy, Stacy Harris, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Nat Wolff (producer, director), Henry Russell (composer, conductor)

End of Show: PSA for US Savings Bonds. Promo for Ronald Colman's current movie, *Champagne for Caesar*, released May 11, 1950.

50/05/31 022 The Halls of Ivy The Sexton Award

AKA: \$250,000 donation; Babysitting

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *This is a most important night for Ivy and few realize it more than its president Dr. William Todhunter Hall. In twenty minutes, Dr. Hall and his wife, the former Victoria Cromwell of the London stage, will leave for a meeting where he...*

Plot: As Dr. Hall nervously prepares to attend a meeting in which he is to receive the George K. Sexton award (\$250,000 for the medical dept. of the college), Mr. Maryweather stops in to relay a message. Clarence Wellman heard that Maryweather was visiting the Quinncannons (Mrs. Quincannon is pregnant), advises Dr. Hall not to be late for the Sexton award meeting. Victoria receives a phone call from Mrs. Quinncannon that she is in labor and needs Victoria to take her to the hospital, as her nurse was called to the Hospital on an emergency. With the Quinncannon boys loudly playing "Hopalong Cassidy," Dr. Hall calls the hospital as a last resort to find a babysitter, but Dr. Brown can't spare anyone. The boys pull out the telephone cord to use as a lasso. At the meeting, the men impatiently wait for D. Hall. Mr. Sexton is disappointed and ready to leave, but Mr. Wellman suggests that Mr. Sexton stay overnight at his house. Mr. Wellman and Mr. Maryweather discuss Dr. Hall, and whether he is the best person to receive this endowment. Victoria arrives, and sees the pulled out phone cord, and tells that Wellman was there earlier. Wellman was unsympathetic. Dr. Hall informs Victoria about reading A.A. Milne to the boys (to which the elder Quinncannon boy said "It stinks,") he managed to put two of the Quinncannon boys to sleep with Aristophanes. The additional boy has stayed up unblinkingly staring and peering elfishly from behind a chair, finally climbing into Dr. Hall's lap. Dr. Hall delivers his speech to Victoria, unaware that Mr. Sexton has arrived to pick up his small son, the one sleeping peacefully on Dr. Hall's lap. He had left the boy with Mrs. Quinncannon and her nurse, unaware of the emergency that resulted. Mr. Sexton admits that he has spent a lot of money in the hopes that medical research will help his son one day. Little George is deaf.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Cameron Blake (writer), Charles Seel, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Willard Waterman, Herb Butterfield, Herb Vigran, Jean Vander Pyl, Jeffrey Silver, John McGovern, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director),.

End of Show: Promo for Ronald Colman's current movie, *Champagne for Caesar*, released May 11, 1950.

Comment: Published newspaper logs indicate the evening's plot is about the board of governors needling Dr. Hall for more endowments.

50/06/07 023 The Halls of Ivy D-Day

AKA: Philip Weatherby A Farmer?; Philip Weatherby's Dad

The Halls of Ivy

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's an exceptionally warm, lazy, hazy, Saturday morning and most of the college staff members who live on Faculty Row are using the sun and their free time to excellent advantage. Professor Quincannon is trimming a hedge. Professor Warren is...*

Plot: Phillip Weatherby wants to be a farmer, and is being expelled from the school of law, despite his father's desire for him to be a lawyer.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Bill Thompson, Cameron Blake (writer), Conrad Binyon, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director).

End of Show: Look magazine promo for the article about the Halls of Ivy and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Colman. (See Anthology for more)

50/06/14 024 The Halls of Ivy Stolen First Edition

AKA: Vicky Buys a Stolen Book

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's a quiet day, a day of contentment, if not fulfillment. Even the flies muffle their buzz in respect to the general repose. But judge not according to the appearance. In a dormitory, two students cramming for a final examination in calculus...*

Plot: Story is about Vicky's purchase of a rare first edition of poetry mistakenly taken from the school library, for \$0.50.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Willard Waterman, Herb Butterfield, Rolfe Sedan, Sidney Miller, William Tracey, Barbara and Milton Merlin (writer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director)

End of Show: Promo for Ronald Colman's current movie, *Champagne for Caesar*, released May 11, 1950. Look magazine promo for the article about the Halls of Ivy and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Colman: "Ronald Colman Becomes A College President." (See the Anthology doc for details.)

50/06/21 025 The Halls of Ivy The Benthimers and the Census

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *As it must to all men in these United States, the census taker has finally gotten around to that institution of learning presided over by Dr. William Todhunter Hall. At the moment, Dr. Hall and his wife, the former Victoria Cromwell of the London Stage...*

Plot: The strange Mr. Benthimer and his equally strange family have descended on Ivy College. To Dr. Hall is given the task of ejecting them.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Bob Sweeney, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Herb Butterfield, Jeffrey Silver, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Leonard St. Clair (writer), Nat Wolff (director), Virginia Gregg.

End of Show: Be sure to see Ronald Colman's latest picture "Champagne for Ceasar". We'll be seeing you next week at this time at the Halls of Ivy starring Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Colman. Coming up is "The Falcon" on NBC.

50/06/28 026 The Halls of Ivy Faculty Raffle

AKA: Professor Warren is Going Blind

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's graduation week at Ivy, and like every small college, it has its own traditions and customs which will be carried out by both students and faculty. With some, it's a time of gaiety and excitement, for others a time of tears and sadness, for...*

Plot: The Senior Prom includes the Faculty Raffle, even though it's opposed by Mr. Wellman, the tradition of the use of a Faculty Member's car for the winner. Professor Warren, the original founder of the Raffle, announces his plans on retiring, to hide the fact that he will lose his vision unless he has an expensive operation.

The Halls of Ivy

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Herbert Butterfield, Arthur Q. Bryan, Peter Leeds, Sheldon Leonard, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Cameron Blake (writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), (announcer), Nat Wolff (director)

End of Show: Coming now is the dashing and daring “Falcon” on NBC. Promo for Ronald Colman's current movie, Ken Carpenter plugs *Champagne For Caesar*

Comment: newspaper logs indicate the evening's plot is about Senior Prom time where faculty members must obey the graduates; also Dr. Hall uncovers a tragic problem.

50/07/05 027 The Halls of Ivy Poetry Reading

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's Saturday afternoon, and the Ivy campus has the deserted air of a United States destroyer when the crew is away on shore leave. But there too still on deck Commodore William Todhunter Hall, otherwise known as the president of Ivy, and his...*

Plot: Dr. Hall plans to go to the annual Poetry Reading, but takes time to listen to the problems of “Moose” Karns. Dr. Hall explains to “Moose” that his wife always slips an encouraging note into his coat pocket, but discovers as he prepares for Poetry Reading that she has not done it this time.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Robert Easton, Alan Reed, Gloria MacMillan, Lois Corbett, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Jean Stone (writer), Jack Robinson (writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Nat Wolff (director), Ken Carpenter (announcer)

End of Show: promo for the following show, The Falcon.

Comment: newspaper logs indicate the evening's plot is about love blossoming over a Bunsen burner. (That is one of the lines in the show). Promo for Ronald Colman's current movie, *Champagne for Caesar*

50/07/12 028 The Halls of Ivy The Education of Annie Belle

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.,

First Line: *Night has descended upon the Ivy Campus. The athletes have surreptitiously stubbed out their last illegal cigarettes of the day. The weary professors have settled down with their Restoration novels -- or gone to Western movies. The Kappas, and the...*

Plot: Annie Bell wants to attend Ivy College, but Annie's father wants to keep dogs out of the park.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Earle Ross, Herbert Rawlinson, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Nat Wolff (director).

End of Show: Dr. Hall and Vickie give thanks to the cast and crew and make some farewell remarks for the closing of the school for the summer.

Comment: The last show of the season.

50/09/13	029	The Halls of Ivy	Ivy vs. the United Nations
<Synopsis> a dispute between two fraternities			

50/09/20	030	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> Mrs. Hall arbitrates a dispute over hazing			

50/09/27 031 The Halls of Ivy The Leslie Hoff Painting

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *When a student manages to distinguish himself in any field, usually one of the first persons contacted for a statement is the president of his college. That's because under normal conditions this learned head is supposed to know all about the...*

Plot: Subject matter is racial prejudice. Mrs. Wilma Marshall is planning to give the college a donation of \$500,000. She wants to make the donation since one of the Ivy students, Leslie Hoff has done a painting of her son Gene who died during the war. There is just one condition to the gift that Dr. Hall can't overlook.

The Halls of Ivy

Credits: William Todhunter Hall: Ronald Colman, Victoria Cromwell Hall: Benita Hume, Mr. Crane: Jerry Hausner, Mr. Wellman: Herbert Butterfield. Mrs. Wilma Marshall: Lois Corbett, Leslie Hoff: James Edwards, Written by Cameron Blake and Don Quinn, Music composed and conducted by Henry Russell, Created by Don Quinn, Directed by Nat Wolfe, Announcer: Ken Carpenter.

End of Show: Announcement that Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co. was sending 600,000 cans of beer to the soldiers in Korea. Next: The Great Gildersleeve

Comment: Stars James Edwards who also starred in the film Home Of The Brave, which also dwelt with racial prejudice. Colman is credited for this script. (unsubstantiated)

50/10/04 032 The Halls of Ivy The New English Teacher

AKA: Best Looking Instructor; English Instructor; Victoria's College Course In Literature

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Autumn days, filled with the excitement of the coming first snow, and football, and there's a zing in the air. But to Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, and his ex-actress wife Victoria, autumn means new students, a lot of new...*

Plot: Professor Bentley Brook has come to Ivy College. He's quite good looking, and he's apparently fallen in love with Mrs. Hall, who, as Miss Cromwell, has accidentally enrolled in his modern literature class!

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Sandra Gould, Jerome Lawrence (writer), Robert E. Lee (writer), Ken Peters, Helen Crutchfield, Mary Alden, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Nat Wolff (director), Don Quinn (creator, writer)

End of Show: announcer "Now enjoy the Great Gildersleeve then it's Groucho Marx on NBC"

Comment: newspaper logs indicate the evening's plot is about Mrs. Hall enrolling in the good looking professor's class.

50/10/11 033 The Halls of Ivy Phone Problems

AKA: The House is Falling Apart; Moving Furniture

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *The inimitable Dr. Johnson once observed that "there must be a time in which every man trifles, and the only choice that nature offers us to trifle in company or alone." Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, has made his choice. He prefers...*

Plot: While moving furniture, and dealing with the arguments of Mr. Merryweather and Mr. Wellman about structural problems at Emerson Hall, the Halls discover dry rot and termite damage while the Phone Man puts in an extension in their home. Is the President's house, and Emerson Hall, worth saving?

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Herbert Butterfield, Gale Gordon, Robert Easton, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer). Milton & Barbara Merlin (writers), Henry Russell (music), Nat Wolff (director)

End of Show: Congratulations to the Joseph Schlitz American Legion Post Rifle Team which yesterday won first place in the national competition and were in the audience and attending the Legionnaires National Convention held in Los Angeles. Promo for the following show, The Great Gildersleeve on NBC.

50/10/18 034 The Halls of Ivy Scandal

AKA: Scandal of Professor Huntley; Scandal of Professor Rousseau

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *To judge by the heap of unfinished business on the desk of Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, college is a going concern. Mrs. Hall, the former Miss Victoria Cromwell of the London stage tactfully interrupts him at his desk which is...*

Plot: Gossip has been stirred about English Professor Huntley and a freshman named Linda Matthews, that his interest in her is more than academic. Dr. Hall has found an odd note while cleaning off his desk that appears to be a gambling tip: "Prince . in the 3rd".

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Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Herbert Butterfield, Gale Gordon, Barbara Whiting, Gloria McMillan, Earl Ross, Charles Davis, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer). Milton & Barbara Merlin (writers), Henry Russell (music), Nat Wolff (director)

Comments: The basic plot for this episode was adapted for the 1954 television series of "The Halls of Ivy." Professor Huntley teaches English in the original, while for the later version, he is a married Frenchman, and a teacher of Latin.

50/10/25	035	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> President R. L. Hovde of Purdue University presents testimonial to Ronald Colman as president of Ivy College.			
50/11/01	036	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> A model co-ed tried to get herself expelled			
50/11/08	037	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> A talented music student faces expulsion over non-payment of tuition			
50/11/15	038	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> The glee club serenades Dr. and Mrs. Hall			
50/11/22	039	The Halls of Ivy	Jack Benny Visits Ivy
<u>AKA:</u> AFRS rebroadcast			
<u>Sponsored by:</u> commercials stripped by AFRS			
<u>First Line:</u> <i>For the past few days, Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy College, has been almost completely unaware of the undercover campus activities of his wife Victoria, former star of the English stage. In fact he betrays his...</i>			
<u>Plot:</u> Guest Jack Benny is to appear for a benefit at Ivy College.			
<u>Credits:</u> Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Jim Backus, Jack Benny, Don Quinn (creator)			
<u>End of Show:</u> AFRS announcement			
<u>Comment:</u> newspaper logs indicate the evening's plot is about Jack Benny's campus visit			
50/11/29	040	The Halls of Ivy	The Honor Student
<u>Sponsored by:</u> Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.			
<u>First Line:</u> <i>For all the headaches of being the president of a college, Dr. William Todhunter Hall has achieved a full measure of contentment and peace. And now witness this peace and contentment this evening: Dr. Hall entranced by the fingers of flame in his...</i>			
<u>Plot:</u> A co-ed's conscience causes a confession that she used someone else's record to gain entrance. She's since become an honor student.			
<u>Credits:</u> Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Jean Bates Arthur Q. Bryan Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Milton & Barbara Merlin (writers), Henry Russell (music), Nat Wolff (director)			
50/12/06	041	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> Brain vs. brawn in fight for endowment			
50/12/13	042	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> Dr. Hall uses the election of snow queen to resolve dating dilemma			
50/12/20	043	The Halls of Ivy	The Gangster and the Christmas Tree
AKA: Christmas Comes to Ivy			
<Synopsis> Hoodlums try to kidnap student on Christmas eve.			

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50/12/27	044	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> A proposed marriage relations course runs into trouble when a campus romance leads to a secret marriage			

51/01/03 045 The Halls of Ivy Professor Barrette's Play

AKA:

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *A vast silence has recently descended upon the campus, and midterm examinations will soon begin, and like most college presidents, Dr. William Todhunter Hall enjoys this terminal lull. It gives him the chance to lock himself in his study and...*

Plot: Professor Barrett has taken 7 years to write a terrible play. How to tell him the truth, that it's really awful.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Elliott Lewis, Norman Field, Robert Sinclair (writer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Walter Brown Neuman (writer), Nat Wolff(director).

End of Show: announcer "Here comes the Great Gildersleeve then it's Groucho Marx on NBC"

Comment: newspaper logs indicate the evening's plot is about an ambitious professor's bad play

51/01/10	046	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
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51/01/17	047	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> Toddy and Vicky uncover foibles of doctors of philosophy			

51/01/24 048 The Halls of Ivy The Goya Bequest

AKA: Ivy Willed a Masterpiece Painting

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's morning in the household of the William Todhunter Halls, the doctor is sitting at his desk. His wife Victoria enters to overhear the muttering that invariably seem to accompany the president's perusal of the morning mail...*

Plot: The wife of a wealthy alumnus bequeaths a painting by Goya to Ivy. It may be worth \$100,000!

Credits: Ronald Colman (performer, writer), Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator), Herb Butterfield, Ken Peters, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Nat Wolff (director).

Comment: The first episode written by Ronald Colman

End of Show: NBC Chimes

51/01/31 049 The Halls of Ivy Professor Warren's Retirement

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's one of those nights that makes home a real haven. Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy is thankful to be home at last after a dinner meeting with the board to don his dressing gown and slippers and join his wife Victoria before the...*

Plot: Professor Warren announces his retirement from Ivy College, his secret reason is his advancing blindness.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Arthur Q. Bryan, Cameron Blake (writer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Herb Butterfield, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director), Peter Leeds, Verna Felton, Sheldon Leonard.

End of Show: Promo for Pulitzer Prize Playhouse on television on Friday nights.

51/02/07	050	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> the astronomy professor faces the loss of his job			

51/02/14	051	The Halls of Ivy	Dr. Hall Resigns
<Synopsis> Dr Hall's visit to a rival campus starts rumors and trouble			

51/02/21 052 The Halls of Ivy Calhoun Gaddy

The Halls of Ivy

AKA: The Older the Better

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It is spring. The flowers appear on the earth. The time for the singing of birds has come and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land. Yes, music is in the air of Ivy too...*

Plot: A 38 year old freshman who spouts Shakespeare with a southern accent is upstaged by his wife, mother of five.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer).

51/02/28 053 The Halls of Ivy The French Scholarship

AKA: English Visitors, AFRS

Sponsored by: commercials removed by AFRS

First Line: *Second perhaps on the list of well known presidents who play the piano is William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy College. He never was nor will be of concert caliber but his journeyman knowledge of Bach, Berlin, Brahms, Beethoven, and Jellyroll...*

Plot: A campus snowball fight traps French visitors

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer).

51/03/07 054 The Halls of Ivy Eddie Gray's Wedding

AKA: Eddie Gray's Romance

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *The lull between Christmas and Easter, between the hibernation basketball and the awakening of baseball can be a period of acute concern to a college president. Thus the unnatural calm which pervades the Ivy campus is a matter of warped...*

Plot: The Colmans recommend marrying for love.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer).

End of Show: announcer "Gildersleeve has a surprise for you, listen on NBC"

51/03/14 055 The Halls of Ivy His Fathers Image

AKA: In His Image; Wayward Son, The

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Left to itself, memory can draw a glowing portrait of the past. But when one of the characters steps out of the frame into the present, well, that can spoil the whole picture. At the moment, Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, is...*

Plot: Dr. Hall consoles ex-athlete whose son doesn't follow his footsteps

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Barton Yarborough, Ed Begley, Dave Willick, Charles Smith, Dean Vanderpile, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Barbara & Milton Merlin (writers), Henry Russell (music), Nat Wolff (director)

End of Show: PSA for Easter Seals.

51/03/21	056	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> eccentric recluse gives college an ornate Chinese chair			

51/03/28	057	The Halls of Ivy	Night Club Singer
<Synopsis> Lucille Norman, guest; The Colmans find co-ed working as entertainer in night club			

51/04/04	058	The Halls of Ivy	Student Vandalism and the Draft
<u>AKA:</u> Champ Waterford			
<u>Sponsored by:</u> Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.			
<u>Plot:</u> Two students are disillusioned by the uncertainty of the draft and vandalize a store. They are arrested and			

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released to Dr. Hall. Champ Waterford, a veteran of WWI just happens to be at the Halls residence when the students are released by the police.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer)

Comment: There are a few things that make this episode special:

It played a part in the series receiving the Peabody Award.

The plot about student vandalism drew so much attention that copies of the script were distributed to the public by NBC (see End of Show, 4/18/51).

EPS	The troupe was invited to present the same show to the Chamber of Commerce of the U.S. a few weeks after the initial broadcast.
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51/04/11	059	The Halls of Ivy	Not Available
<Synopsis> big city bans professors book			

51/04/18	060	The Halls of Ivy	Romiette and Julio
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AKA: Athenaeum Club; School Play

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *The annual theatrical production of the Athenaeum is only a few weeks away. So far, against all tradition, there's been no announcement about what play they're doing. It's unthinkable, of course that they should not do "The Importance of Being..."*

Plot: What are the dramatic plans of the Athenaeum Club? It's Romiette and Julio" (a slight switcheroo).

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Lionel Da Silva, Fay Wray (writer, billed as Fay Wray Riskin), Don Quinn (creator, writer).

End of Show: Dr. Lionel Da Silva of the California Teacher's Association presents a scroll to Ronald Colman for meritorious service to public education. PSA: An announcement is made that the script of the program of April 4, 1951 (about college boys and the draft) is available to listeners who write to The Halls of Ivy Script, NBC, Hollywood.

Comment: Newspaper logs indicate the evening's plot is about how the Colmans resolve a problem about the school play; newspaper also warns of possible interruption to the broadcast because it is carrying some of the events of General Douglas MacArthur's return to San Francisco.

51/04/25	061	The Halls of Ivy	Note the Quote
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Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *William Todhunter Hall is an erudite man. Nobody's ever questioned that fact. He's always prided himself on the fact that most of the quotable quotes from the literature of the world are at his fingertips and on the tip of his tongue. On this...*

Plot: Dr. Hall competing with a hot-dog salesman on a radio quiz show

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Herbert Butterfield, Jim Backus, Ken Peters, Lee Milar, Henry Russell (music), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Lawrence N Lee (writer), Ken Carpenter (announcer).

EPS:	4/27/51, The Halls of Ivy received the Peabody Award.
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EPS	The May 2 nd , 1951 show is honored by and presented in front of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce 39th national dinner meeting in Washington D.C.
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51/05/02	062	The Halls of Ivy	Student Vandalism and the Draft
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Special Show Opening: *Ladies and gentlemen this is Ken Carpenter speaking from Washington, D.C. Last Thursday, (4/27/51) "The Halls of Ivy" was presented with the George Foster Peabody Award for the most outstanding dramatic achievement in radio and we are indeed grateful to you for your loyal support which has made this a possibility. Ladies and gentlemen, "The Halls of Ivy."*

AKA: Campus Unrest and Draft; Student Vandalism and the Draft; Champ Waterford

The Halls of Ivy

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Like millions of other citizens, the president of Ivy, Dr. William Todhunter Hall, scans each morning paper for some little ray of hope that the world may be tottering on the brink of sanity. As he says to his wife Victoria, former reigning...*

Plot: Two students are disillusioned by the uncertainty of the draft and vandalize a store. They are arrested and released to Dr. Hall. Champ Waterford, a veteran of WWI just happens to be at the Halls' residence when the students are released by the police.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer).

End of Show: Ken Carpenter, speaking from Washington, D.C., announces that last Thursday "The Halls Of Ivy" was presented with The Peabody Award. Ronald Colman announces that the cast is in Washington giving a repeat performance of their program from several weeks ago before the Chamber of Commerce of the United States. This is a repeat of 51/04/04, Student Vandalism and the Draft. Afterward, the Chamber of Commerce presents a citation of merit to the show.

Comment: Newspaper logs confirm the evening's plot is a live restaging of 51/04/04 the episode about campus vandals and the uncertainty of the draft. This performance is played before the 39th dinner audience of the Chamber of Commerce of the U.S. The Chamber presents the cast with a Citation. The recorded acceptance of the citation is available in the Bonus Tracks folder.

51/05/09 063 The Halls of Ivy Glory Golightly

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It is spring. The flowers appear on the earth. The time of the singing of birds has come. And the voice of the turtle is heard in our land. Yes, music is in the air of Ivy, too. Victoria Cromwell Hall has been spilling cadenzas like a bird over her...*

Plot: When an opera star cannot perform, "Gloria Golightly" is an unlikely substitute.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer).

51/05/16	064	The Halls of Ivy	The Eleventh Commandment
<Synopsis> Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Colman will pay special tribute to the oldest college sorority in the world, Alpha Delta Pi, as Maxine Blake, national president, flies in from Seattle to appear on the show. (KFI at 6:30 PST)			

51/05/23 065 The Halls of Ivy Cook's Night Out

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, is no alarmist. But after his wife Victoria spent a couple of days living on aspirin and fruit juices and still felt the miseries, he called the doctor. The diagnosis was quick, if ambiguous, the prescription was illegible but impressive, and with the customary admonition to stay in bed and take it easy...*

Plot: Dr. Hall tries his hand at cooking a meal.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer).

End of Show: An NBC promo to listen to The Great Gildersleeve.

51/05/30 066 The Halls of Ivy Finals Day Award

AKA: Nobeling Dale Science Award

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *The Hounds of Spring are yapping merrily at Ivy's president, Dr. William Todhunter Hall. Their happy barking announces that summer, as Chaucer so quaintly put it, is "a-comin' in" and that the academic year is "a goin' out." Relishing the idea, Dr. Hall sits in the afternoon sun, perusing that handbook of the male species, a sporting goods catalog...*

Plot: A bright student refuses to take elective courses that he must have in order to graduate and receive an impressive award.

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Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Arthur Ross (writer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Herbert Butterfield, Gene Bates, Eddie Firestone

End of Show: Ken Carpenter leads a PSA for all Americans to sacrifice and step up production in support of the war effort.

Comment: Press release 5/31/51 indicates Schlitz has authorized another 36 broadcasts.

51/06/06	067	The Halls of Ivy	Vicky and the New Professor's Wife
<Synopsis> Toddy and Vicky unmask an imposter			

51/06/13	068	The Halls of Ivy	Finals Season
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Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *With the student body and the faculty of Ivy College in the grip of final examinations, and the administrative chores of the academic year completed, Dr. William Todhunter Hall has found an idle hour or so to reacquaint himself with a small volume which is not included but should be in the Great Books Course. It's called a checkbook...*

Plot: Final exams leave the Halls with no problems to solve. The school season is winding down and Dr. Hall has little to keep him occupied.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Arthur Q. Bryant.

End of Show: Ken Carpenter reminds listeners to watch Pulitzer Prize Playhouse on TV on Friday nights.

51/06/20	069	The Halls of Ivy	Pork Barrel Politics
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Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Ivy's president, Dr. William Todhunter Hall, was a guest last night at a civic banquet. He went perforce and came home persuaded. As he tells his wife Victoria, former reigning beauty of the London stage, this morning...*

Plot: The mayor of Ivy wants to resurrect an old law to tax Ivy students to pay for new buildings, but the Halls block him

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Herbert Butterfield, Jim Backus, Cameron Blake (writer), Henry Russell (music).

End of Show: Ken Carpenter reminds listeners to watch Pulitzer Prize Playhouse on TV on Friday nights.

EPS	Press release in the Long Beach newspaper confirms the broadcast 6/27/51 is the last broadcast before the summer break.		
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51/06/27	070	The Halls of Ivy	Commencement
<Synopsis> A student sells exam questions, learns a lesson from Dr. Hall.			

51/09/26	000	The Halls of Ivy	Not a Valid Episode
<Synopsis> Some logs indicate a broadcast of episode 71 on this date. Evidence contradicts this assumption.			

EPS	Press release in the Long Beach newspaper announces the return from the summer break of The Halls of Ivy at 6:30 on KNX on Wednesday, 10/3/51. This raises a challenge to the show listed for the previous week. Additionally, the previous dated episode for 9/26/51 was not listed in the radio logs for the NYTimes and the LA Times.		
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51/10/03	071	The Halls of Ivy	Adoption
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Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

Preamble: Ronald Colman welcomes listeners to the new semester.

First Line: *... which is still in the throes of settling down for the academic year. The professors are still scanning new faces for signs of concealed intelligence. The football coaches and the coeds are estimating the approximate number of attempted passes in the coming season. And the Board of Governors is rechecking its list of wealthy alumni. Object: sentimental extortion. As Ivy's president, Dr. William Todhunter Hall says to his wife, the former Victoria Cromwell of the London stage, "at this time of the year I feel like the director of the mint, taking in raw metal to be turned out as coin*

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of the realm, stamped to a certain pattern, but put to a million various uses." At least that's what he intends to say, as soon as she gets off the telephone....

Plot: A student has an emotional reaction to an instructor's teaching.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Herbert Butterfield, Henry Russell (music).

End of Show:

Comment: Wisconsin State Journal reports this show opens the third season. Commercial mentions the date of October, partially confirming the episode date.

51/10/10 072 The Halls of Ivy Editorial in the Ivy Bull

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Autumn is a season beloved of poets, football coaches, painters, wholesalers of woolen goods, and at least one college president. Dr. William Todhunter Hall, of Ivy takes a moment from his multifarious duties to stand at the window of his living room with his wife Victoria...*

Plot: The Halls show the college can triumph over criticism after a critical article in the Ivy Bull causes disruption to the football team.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator, writer).

End of Show: Ronald and Benita make a PSA for all to donate blood for the Armed Forces.

51/10/17 073 The Halls of Ivy Student Council Election

AKA: Student Presidential Election

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *The fall semester being well under way, Ivy's president, Dr. William Todhunter Hall can steal a few moments now and then to dip into a magazine or scan a newspaper. With an educator, of course, who should maintain at least a nodding acquaintance with current affairs, this temporal theft is not subject to reproach. It's what might be termed "a stainless" steal....*

Plot: The leading male candidate for Student Council President, who believes women should not hold high office, approaches Dr. Hall, who tries to stay out of the fray. When a plot surfaces to change the way ballots are counted, Dr. Hall becomes involved on the side of fairness with surprising results.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Herbert Butterfield (Mr. Wellman), Virginia Greg (Deborah Jameson), Sidney Miller (Elihu Potter), Arthur Ross and Don Quinn (writers).

End of Show: Now, join the Great Gildersleeve on NBC.

Comment: The writers use the plot to support the Community Chest Drive, in the same manner many regular sponsors did for their wares.

51/10/24 074 The Halls of Ivy Mrs. Why?

AKA: Grandmother Enrolls at Ivy

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *The first few weeks of every new college season more or less resemble a shake-down trip on a newly launched cruiser. Faculty and students must learn their battle stations. Also it's a good thing to know how to approach the big guns, and for the big guns to clear their sight. The biggest gun at Ivy College, Dr. William Todd Hunter Hall, President, is just finishing lunch at home with Victoria Hall, his wife, former ornament of the London stage....*

Plot: A Mr. Yeats visits Dr. Hall in an effort to stop his seventy-eight year old mother from attending Ivy. Dr. Hall meets with her and trades philosophies on time. Yeats gets board member Wellman to try to get Dr. Hall to drop Ms. Yeats as a student. Dr. Hall finds a solution that makes everyone happy.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Herbert Butterfield (Mr. Wellman), Jane Morgan, Joseph Kerns and Norman Fields; Barbara and Milton Merlin, Don Quinn (writers), Henry Russell (Music), Don Quinn (creator), Nat Wolff (director).

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End of Show: Presented by The Joseph Schlitz Brewing Company who invites you to join on television, The Schlitz Playhouse of Stars, with Helen Hayes, Margaret Sullivan, John Payne and more of the brightest names of Hollywood and Broadway. See your newspaper for time and channel.

Comment: There is a comment in the 10/24/51 Wisconsin State Journal that the story was postponed from 10/17.

51/10/31 075 The Halls of Ivy Football Coach

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *In any well regulated college; the departments of science, medicine, mathematics, and philosophy are of top-drawer importance. But their special interests [caveat] the general. The one department which is all things to all students is the...*

Plot: Dr. Hall refuses to listen to a recording of the coach's pre-game talk that was recorded without the coach's knowledge. Dr. Hall invites the coach to listen to the tape. The over-emphasis of football raises a problem.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Herbert Butterfield (Mr. Wellman), Gale Gordon, Allan Reid, Ken Christy, Henry Russell (music), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Nat Wolff (director).

End of Show: Presented by The Joseph Schlitz Brewing Company who invites you to join on television, The Schlitz Playhouse of Stars, with Helen Hayes, Margaret Sullivan, John Payne and more of the brightest names of Hollywood and Broadway. See your newspaper for time and channel.

Comment: Long Beach newspaper reports timeliness of tonight's themed episode discussing the over-emphasis of college football on the campus. A prop used on this episode is a tape recorder.

51/11/07 076 The Halls of Ivy Halloween

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *On Halloween, by old tradition, evil spirits are allowed to roam the earth after dark and hold high revel until the stroke of midnight when the chimes usher in the Christian festival of All Saints. As in most places, the inhabitants of Ivy are not all saints, nor very evil, but a varying blend of the two. On this fine November morning there is little evidence around the campus of Halloween jinks, high or low, as Victoria Hall returns from marketing to join her husband, William Todd Hunter Hall, President of Ivy College...*

Plot: Mr. Meriwether, board member, reports to Dr. Hall that a ditch has been dug across Faculty Row Street right in front of another board member's home, Mr. Wellman, who is listed as authorizing the repair. The mystery of the ditch is that Mr. Wellman did not do so, and the company that dug the ditch does not exist. Dr. Hall discovers the practical joker.

Credits: Ronald Colman (writer, performer), Benita Hume, Willard Waterman, Herb Butterfield, Gloria Gordon, Hanley Stafford (John Smith Sr.), Gale Gordon (Mr. Meriwether), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Ken Carpenter (announcer), Nat Wolff (director), Charles Smith (John Smith Jr.), Henry Russell (composer, conductor).

End of Show: Presented by The Joseph Schlitz Brewing Company who invites you to join on television, The Schlitz Playhouse of Stars, with Helen Hayes, Margaret Sullivan, John Payne and more of the brightest names of Hollywood and Broadway. See your newspaper for time and channel.

Comment: Tonight's script is the second one penned by Mr. Colman based on his experiences as a young boy in England. Don Quinn tweaked the script to make sure continuity is maintained.

51/11/14 077 The Halls of Ivy The Late Student

AKA: Car Trouble

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *Some people can go out for an evening simply because they want to go out, and with no apologies to anyone. But Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, who takes his responsibilities and obligations quite seriously, feels that taking his wife for a drive in the country demands some kind of justification. He tries to expiate his sense of guilt with a little help from Walt Whitman....*

Plot: Dr. Hall and his wife, on an outing, have auto problems bring their car to a stop. A young man walking by helps them fix the car. The two are impressed with the young man's knowledge. Dr. Hall receives a letter from the young man's mother thanking him for all his kindness to her son. Dr. Hall then discovers the student is not a student. He then finds a way to recruit the young man.

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Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Victor Perrin (Jeff Kimbel) with Paul Frees and Jerry Hausner; Barbara and Milton Merlin, Don Quinn (writers), Henry Russell (Music), Don Quinn (creator), Nat Wolff (director)

Comment: Mentions gasoline at 28 cents per gallon.

51/11/21 078 The Halls of Ivy The Minister's Son

AKA: Reverend Jarvis' Seeks Help; Reverend Jarvis' Son

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It might reasonably seem that after many years of experience the opportunities and the importunities of a college president's life, would have become so standardized and so repetitions that all problems could be settled by rule of thumb. The trouble of using rule of thumb is that it is all too frequently one knuckle short of adequacy. Dr. Hall, Ivy's President, says to his wife, Victoria Cromwell, of the English theatre...*

Plot: Reverend Franklin Jarvis asks Dr. Hall to help direct his son, Ben, into the ministry rather than the pop music for which he has a great interest and talent. Doctor and Mrs. Hall help the Reverend Jarvis accept his son's decision.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ted Osborne, Rye Billsbury, Eric Snowden, Henry Russell and His Orchestra, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Thurl Ravenscroft (cast), Don Quinn (creator, writer) and Audrey Call (writer)

End of Show: Complete version of "The Sacred Halls of Ivy" is sung, but cut short on this recording.

Comment: Introduces the song "When I Telephone Upstairs." Long Beach newspaper places promo spot for this night's episode.

51/11/28 079 The Halls of Ivy Professor Warren's Romantic Folly

AKA: Dinner at Professor Warren's; Professor Warren's Girlfriend

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *For many families, breakfast is a small pandemonium, filled with a clatter of cups, a confusion of tongues, desperate last gulps of scorching coffee and a mad dash for the bus station. But for Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, and his wife, Victoria, it's usually an unruffled few moments put aside for their private lives. This morning, for instance, Victoria is arranging a bowl of flowers on the table while Dr. Hall is thoughtfully staring at a spoon....*

Plot: Professor Warren, as the result of authoring a romantic novel, has met a lady who has come for a visit and has taken over running his life. William and Victoria Hall are concerned about the situation. Professor Warren comes to recognize the problems and brings about a solution.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Arthur Q. Brian (Prof. Warren) and Sarah Selby (Fern Winthrop); Barbara and Milton Merlin, Don Quinn (writers).

End of Show: Complete theme is sung by the chorus

51/12/05 080 The Halls of Ivy Calhoun Gaddy's Agricultural Development

AKA: Agricultural Developments; Voice of America rebroadcast.

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *It's a well known fact that the residence of Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, and his wife Victoria, is always open house, the keeping of which is a minor miracle. Through circumstances beyond their control, the Halls lost their housekeeper, Penny, last year. So now it's with great relief that they have at last found a replacement, the highly recommended and notably efficient, Mrs. Louise Tate....*

Plot: The new housekeeper mistakes a student bringing eggs, and friend of the Halls, Calhoun Gaddy, who announces to the Halls that in order to help his family and defray his college costs, starts a farm combine with other students who also need to defray costs. Professor Wellman complains to Dr. Hall about the students using University property for their project. It is discovered that Professor Wellman actually owns the property. Dr. Hall brings about a solution to the problem.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Barton Yarborough, Herb Butterfield, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator).

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Comment: Wisconsin State Journal reports this broadcast was originally scheduled for the previous week, 11/28/51. It was spoken in the program that this is a rebroadcast. A new housekeeper is introduced.

51/12/12 081 The Halls of Ivy Professor Royce Returns

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *At this time of the year, academic responsibilities are pushed around by social obligations. And while great public issues wait for action, momentous personal decisions must be made. For instance, er, what gifts to buy for Aunt Edith and Cousin Ted. Dr. William Todd Hunter Hall, President of Ivy, in common with most men, solve such major problems by leaving the Christmas shopping to his wife, Victoria, who at the moment comes in laden with packages....*

Plot: A retired professor from Ivy College, Professor Royce, at age 80 is found to be wandering the campus of the college. Dr. Hall, wishing to help his mentor, finds a way without embarrassing the old professor.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Gale Gordon (Mr. Meriwether), Alan Reed (Professor Heathslip), William Johnstone (Professor Royce), Barbara and Milton Merlin, Don Quinn (writers), Henry Russell (Music), Don Quinn (creator), Milton Merlin (director)

End of Show: The Joseph Schlitz Brewing Company who invites you to join on television, The Schlitz Playhouse of Stars, with Helen Hayes, Margaret Sullivan, Ronald Regan and more of the brightest names of Hollywood and Broadway. See your newspaper for time and channel.

Comment: Long Beach newspaper notes tonight's episode plot. After some small alterations, this script was re-used for the TV series.

51/12/19 082 The Halls of Ivy The Snowman

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

Note: *The show with this date was found to be the original February 19, 1950 episode. The repeat episode has not been located yet.*

Plot: A tradition at Ivy is for the students to build a snowman on the lawns of each faculty member following the first snowfall of the year – the size of the snowman is in proportion to the esteem with which the students hold the faculty member. Dr. Hall is dismayed to discover that no snowman has been built on his lawn this year and questions his role and continuance at Ivy.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Alan Reed, Gloria Gordon, Arthur Q. Bryan, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Walter Newman (writer), Nat Wolff (director), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Ken Carpenter (announcer),

Comment: Wisconsin State Journal reports this broadcast is a repeat of the Christmas story, "The Snowman" about college tradition originally broadcast February 19, 1950 as episode 006.

51/12/26 083 The Halls of Ivy Sweet Sorrow

AKA: Drama Class Auditions; Dramatic Club Try-Outs

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by AFRTS

First Line: *Presidents of colleges normally spend their days coping with complexities which would unseat the reason of lesser men. But, Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy College, is able to maintain his serenity because Number One Faculty...*

Plot: Dr. Hall becomes an actor during the rehearsal of the college's presentation of "Sweet Sorrow," a play in which Victoria was the lead in England.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Gloria McMillan, Le Millar, Ken Carpenter (Announcer), Music Composed and Conducted by Henry Russell and His Orchestra, Don Quinn (creator).

Comment: The copy used for this evaluation came from the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service, and so it contained no sponsor mentions or credits. Listed credits were obtained by listening to cast.

52/01/02 084 The Halls of Ivy Hell Week

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's the postprandial period at Number One Faculty Row, postprandial being a euphemism for, "Oh let's let the dinner dishes go for a while." And Dr. William Todhunter Hall, Ivy's president, sinks happily into his big leather chair for a...*

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Plot: Fraternity hazing undergoes a change when Dr. Hall, as president of Ivy college, takes drastic action.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Herbert Butterfield, John McIntire, Lee Millar, Ken Carpenter (Announcer), Music composed and conducted by Henry Russell and His Orchestra, The script was written by Gene O'Brien and Don Quinn, Show created by Don Quinn and directed by Milton Merlin.

End of Show: The Joseph Schlitz Brewing Company who invites you to join on television, The Schlitz Playhouse of Stars, with Helen Hayes, Margaret Sullivan, Ronald Regan and more of the brightest names of Hollywood and Broadway. See your newspaper for time and channel.

52/01/09 085 The Halls of Ivy Nelson Carter's Son

AKA: Nelson Carter's Son; Professor Hamlin's Class;

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America*

First Line: *Henry Ward Beecher once observed that nothing is orderly 'til man's taken a hold of it. Everything in creation lies around loose. For the president of any university there are many loose ends in any normal week. But Dr. William...*

Plot: A student named Jerry Carter is having trouble with his economics professor and decides to take the easy way out.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Lou Merrill, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Rye Billsbury (announcer), Henry Russell and His Orchestra, Don Quinn (writer) Written by C. W. Park, professor emeritus of English, University of Cincinnati.

Comment: Voice of America rebroadcast.

52/01/16 086 The Halls of Ivy Art Exhibit

AKA: Art Show Judge; Art Society

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America*

First Line: *... the president of which, Dr. William Todhunter Hall, is engaged in one of America's favorite indoor sports. No, not table tennis. Not bridge. Not charades. Not putting golf balls into a paper cup. This pastime requires more accuracy and more...*

Plot: Controversy surrounds the college art show.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Herbert Butterfield, Paul Pries, Stanley Garrard, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Arthur Ross (writer).

Comment: Voice of America rebroadcast

52/01/23 087 The Halls of Ivy Medal of Honor

AKA: Congressional Medal Winner; Daughter of Medal of Honor Winner; Medal of Honor Winner

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America*

First Line: *It's a problem with any good executive just how much authority to delegate. A top ranking official must constantly walk the tightrope of decision, strung between the posts of authority and delegation. Dr. William Todhunter Hall has solved the situation rather...*

Plot: The operator of "A La Cart," the Ivy College hot dog stand, is honored for winning the Congressional Medal of Honor thirty years previously. Dr. Hall must deal with the co-ed who's ashamed of her father.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Gale Gordon, Alice Backus, Curt Martell, Jess Kirkpatrick, Ken Carpenter (Announcer), Music composed and conducted by Henry Russell and His Orchestra, Show created by Don Quinn and directed by Milton Merlin, Written by Don Quinn and John DiGratizo.

Comment: Distributed overseas by The Voice of America. So no actual show credits.

52/01/30 088 The Halls of Ivy Track Star

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

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First Line: *On almost any campus, Saturday morning is the occasion for late rising, eager preparation for various forms of violent relaxation, and assorted escapes from academic confinement. Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, also appreciates...*

Plot: The strange problem of the track star at Ivy who quits the team to improve his studies. It brings the issue of academics vs. athletics to the fore.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator).

End of Show: PSA for March of Dimes to fight polio. Stay tuned for the Great Gildersleeve.

52/02/06 089 The Halls of Ivy Glee Club Donation

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America*

First Line: *Every college president to be successful must have some talent for improvisation. And all good improvising, being compounded of memory, inventiveness, and facility. The possession of these qualities makes Dr. William Todhunter Hall, Ivy's...*

Plot: A mysterious donor sponsors the tour of the college glee club.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Arthur Q Bryan, Sam Edwards, Herbert Butterfield, Ken Carpenter (Announcer), Music composed and conducted by Henry Russell and His Orchestra, Show created by Don Quinn and directed by Milton Merlin.

Comment: Long Beach newspaper notes 7:00pm PST broadcast schedule. Distributed overseas by the Voice of America.

52/02/13 090 The Halls of Ivy Dean Huxley

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America*

First Line: *It's five o'clock on a dark winter's afternoon and the campus is in a soggy state. Trees are dripping, the ivy's drooping, and only the sturdier students are seen sloshing along in the mud-stained snow. All of which seems to have had no...*

Plot: The English professor and the dean of women tangle over President Hall.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Elizabeth Patterson, Alan Reed, Paula Winslowe, Ken Carpenter (Announcer), Music composed and conducted by Henry Russell and His Orchestra, Show created by Don Quinn and directed by Milton Merlin.

Comment: Distributed overseas by The Voice of America*

52/02/20 091 The Halls of Ivy Voice of the Ivy Vine

AKA: Ivy Vine Gossip Show; Radio Gossip Show

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America*

First Line: *If you lived in a small college town, and had an hour or two free in the evening, you might choose to spend it in the library, or the student's union, or you might drop in at the malt shop or just wander through the tree-lined pathways of the campus....*

Plot: A mysterious female voice is broadcasting gossip over Ivy College's radio station.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Eleanor Tannin, Gale Gordon, Ken Carpenter (Announcer), Music composed and conducted by Henry Russell and His Orchestra, Show created by Don Quinn and directed by Milton Merlin.

Comment: Plot matches the Long Beach newspaper, on KFI at 7pm PST Distributed overseas by The Voice of America*

52/02/27 092 The Halls of Ivy Budget Problems

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America*

First Line: *When the endowments lag behind, boards of governors are quite justified in trimming their sails to the prevailing financial zephyrs, which is what Ivy's governing board did at a budget meeting last night. As a result of which, Dr. William...*

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Plot: Mr. Wellman loses the controversy over the library fund.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator).

End of Show:

Comment: Reference episode clipped at the end. Commercials removed by Voice of America*

52/03/05 093 The Halls of Ivy The Astronomy Exam

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *It's been an eventful day on the campus. Not because of the usual activities of the faculty and student body, not because of what anybody did, but because of what one undergraduate refused to do. His action has thrown the college into an...*

Plot: The strange case of the student who refused to take an astronomy exam because it was too easy!

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Herb Butterfield, Elizabeth Patterson, Bruce Payne, Herb Ellis, Bob and Milton Merlin (writers), Don Quinn (creator), Henry Russell (music), Milton Merlin (Director)

End of Show: Announces HOIV has been awarded Top Honors for 1951, by the National Association for Better Radio and Television. Commercial for Schlitz promotes the television show "The Schlitz Playhouse of Stars" with Ronald Reagan and others of the brightest names of Hollywood and Broadway.

52/03/12 094 The Halls of Ivy The Lame Girl and the Hypochondriac

AKA: Sheila Quincannon

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *When one thinks of a college president, it's apt to be in terms of mortar board, academic gowns, and a portentous harried individual pouring over lists of wealthy alumni for some untapped vein of gold and endowments. This is a caricature...*

Plot: A handicapped child gives a lesson to an overworked teacher.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Mary McGovern, Gale Gordon, John Brown, Ken Carpenter (Announcer), Music composed and conducted by Henry Russell and His Orchestra, Show created by Don Quinn and directed by Milton Merlin.

End of Show: PSA for Easter Seals presented by Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Colman. Commercial for Schlitz promotes the television show "The Schlitz Playhouse of Stars" with Ronald Reagan and others of the brightest names of Hollywood and Broadway.

52/03/19 095 The Halls of Ivy The Oldest Living Graduate

AKA: Founder's Day Celebration

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *Most institutions such as Ivy seem quickly to acquire an atmosphere of age and permanence. So much so that it's hard to imagine the day when they were brash new infants in the field of education. But everything good has a beginning, and Ivy's...*

Plot: President Hall's ability at calling square dances so impresses Ivy College's oldest alumnus that he deeds a valuable piece of property to the school.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator).

Comment: Voice of America rebroadcast*

52/03/26 096 The Halls of Ivy Stolen Money

AKA: Spring Fever; Stolen \$25

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *There's a contagious disease spreading around the college these days and you don't have to be a doctor to recognize the symptoms. A wandering eye, the listless manner, and the unwonted eagerness and rejoicing with which the dismissal bell is...*

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Plot: Eleanor Joyce plans to resign from The Student Judiciary Committee because of a missing \$25.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator).

Comment: Voice of America rebroadcast*

52/04/02 097 The Halls of Ivy Professor Grimes

AKA: Halls and Misunderstandings; Misunderstanding Between Two Professors; Professor Grimes Challenged

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *"Reading maketh a full man" said Francis Bacon many years ago, but it's a notorious fact that college presidents get very little time to read. Thus it's a rare and precious scene that we're permitted to view this evening as we look into...*

Plot: Mr. Wellman feels that Professor Grimes of the History Department is not a first rate scholar because he hasn't published any studies since 1947 and therefore must be dismissed.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator).

Comment: Long Beach newspaper tells of the Colmans trying to save the professor's job. On KFI at 7pm PST. Voice of America rebroadcast*

52/04/09 098 The Halls of Ivy Faculty Marriage

AKA: Teachers Marry Against the Rules; Two Teachers to Marry

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *You know many a man takes his wife a box of candy or a bunch of flowers on occasion, but the occasion is usually a birthday or anniversary. It's a rare husband indeed who takes his wife a bunch of violets simply because it's spring and...*

Plot: Two of the professors at Ivy College have secretly gotten married, and that's against the rules!

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator).

End of Show: "This production of the Halls of Ivy was broadcast with an actual audience present in the studio."

Comment: Long Beach newspaper tells of the Colmans trying to resolve the problem. On KFI at 7pm PST. Voice of America rebroadcast*.

52/04/16 099 The Halls of Ivy The French Exchange Student

Special Show Opening: Ronald Colman makes an announcement before the show begins dedicating the show to Dr. E. Wilson Lyon, President of Pomona College, Claremont, CA

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

First Line: *One of the most important qualifications of an executive is the ability to make decisions. This is not always easy, as Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy has just been reminded. So it was with a good deal of thought and consideration...*

Plot: An exchange student's critical impressions are printed in the college paper. Nicknamed "Mademoiselle from Sorbonne," the girl brings freedom of speech turmoil to the campus until Dr. Hall steps in.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (Announcer), Herbert Butterfield, Gladys Holland, Dennis Fraser. Script by Barbara and Milton Merlin, Benita Colman and Don Quinn. Music composed and conducted by Henry Russell. Show created by Don Quinn and directed by Milton Merlin.

End of Show: Commercial for Schlitz promotes the television show "The Schlitz Playhouse of Stars" with Ronald Regan and others of the brightest names of Hollywood and Broadway.

Comment: Plot taken from Long Beach newspaper, this date.

52/04/23 100 The Halls of Ivy Professor Walden's Son

AKA:

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

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First Line: *As a highly competent administrator, a fast clearer-upper of disposable details, and a disciple of the clean desk, the president of Ivy College is not one to linger unnecessarily in his administration building's sanctum when his work is...*

Plot: Matthew Walden feels that he's going to fail his course in Renaissance literature, even though the course is being taught by his father! Dr. Hall and Dante to the rescue!

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator), Elizabeth Patterson, Herbert Butterfield, Virginia Gregg and William Irwin. Script by Phillip Nelson and Don Quinn. Music composed and conducted by Henry Russell

End of Show: "This production of the Halls of Ivy was broadcast with an actual audience present in the studio."

Comment: Voice of America rebroadcast.*

52/04/30 101 The Halls of Ivy Faculty Follies Part 1

AKA: Right against Might

Sponsored by: Joseph Schlitz Brewing Co.

Special Show Opening: Ronald Colman recognizes the 100th performance of The Halls of Ivy and dedicates the show to a college founded 100 years ago in 1852, [Tufts College](#), Medford Mass and its president Leonard Carmichael.

First Line: *Sadly enough there are people who make a dubious living from trumped-up lawsuits, professional litigants. There are also professional witnesses who, for \$15 or so, will swear to the sun rising in the west. Professional bondsmen and other...*

Plot: Dr and Mrs. Hall perform in the Faculty Follies.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Arthur Q. Bryan, Sidney Miller, Ken Carpenter (Announcer), Music composed and conducted by Henry Russell and His Orchestra, Show Script by Don Quinn and Charles Henry, created by Don Quinn and directed by Milton Merlin.

End of Show: Ken Carpenter reminds listeners to watch on television, The Schlitz Playhouse of Stars with Helen Hayes, Margaret Sullivan, Lillian Gish and more.

Comment: Long Beach newspaper reports this is the 100th performance of the show. Note, it is episode 101.

52/05/07 102 The Halls of Ivy Faculty Follies Part 2

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *For the past week, administrative chores have been delegated as much as possible because President William Todhunter Hall and his wife Victoria have been and are deeply involved with a benefit theatrical production for the Undergraduate Ivy...*

Plot: Plans for "The Faculty Follies" proceed apace, despite the objections of Mr. Wellman's threats to cancel the performance.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Don Quinn (creator).

End of Show: Announced: "This production of 'The Halls of Ivy' was broadcast with an actual audience in the studio."

Comment: Benita sings "Let's All Go To Alice's House." Ronald Colman recites Kipling's "Tale of the Three Blind Mice." Voice of America* rebroadcast

52/05/14 103 The Halls of Ivy Student Singer

AKA: Music Student to Drop Out; Singing Student's Hearing Loss

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *Running a college is a serious responsibility, entailing as it does the care and mental feeding of some hundreds of future citizens. It is therefore a happy and therapeutic event when its president, in this case Dr. William Todhunter...*

Plot: Marion Colter, a talented Ivy music student and classical singer, plans to leave school because she's losing her hearing. Dr. Hall offers other alternatives.

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Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Gale Gordon, Don Quinn (creator).

End of Show: Ronald Colman salutes President E. B. Fred of the University of Wisconsin. Announced: "This production of 'The Halls of Ivy' was broadcast with an actual audience in the studio."

Comment: Voice of America* rebroadcast

52/05/21 104 The Halls of Ivy Doctor Spatzen

AKA: New Psychology Professor; Psychology Department Opening

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *This evening Dr. William Todhunter Hall is attending a Board of Governor's meeting leaving his wife Victoria to preside at Number One Faculty Row. It's still early and Mrs. Hall has found the right book and the right chair and is well prepared to...*

Plot: Mr. Wellman's protégé, Dr. Spatzen, isn't all he seems to be. In fact, he's a fraud! Dr. Hall unmasks the charming psychiatrist.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Barbara Merlin (writer), Milton Merlin (writer), Herb Butterfield, Fritz Feld.

End of Show: Announced: "This production of 'The Halls of Ivy' was broadcast with an actual audience in the studio."

Comment: Voice of America* rebroadcast

50/05/28 105 The Halls of Ivy Mummynapper

AKA: Stolen Mummy

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, has more than ordinary fortitude and forbearance. But even he has moments when he gives way under the many disturbances inevitably encountered in any given day. At the moment he appears to be...*

Plot: A replica of a mummy of King Tut-Ankh-Amen has been stolen from the Ivy College museum and found at the door of the college president's office. Tommy Spencer is obviously behind theft!

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Joseph Carbo, Sammie Hill, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Barbara Merlin (writer), Milton Merlin (writer).

End of Show: Announced: "This production of 'The Halls of Ivy' was broadcast with an actual audience in the studio."

Comment: Voice of America* rebroadcast.

52/06/04 106 The Halls of Ivy Pregnant Student

AKA: Campus Baby

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *Somebody once observed that a letter is an unannounced visitor and the Postman is thus the agent of impolite surprises. Well, it looks as though Dr. William Todhunter Hall is going to have a lot of epistolary company this morning when his wife...*

Plot: One of the Ivy students is about to have a baby...just before final exams!

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), James Gleason, Janet Warren, Jean Tatum, Barbara Merlin (writer), Milton Merlin (writer), Don Quinn (creator, writer).

End of Show: Announced: "This production of 'The Halls of Ivy' was broadcast with an actual audience in the studio."

Comment: Voice of America* rebroadcast.

52/06/11 107 The Halls of Ivy The Wellman's Come to Dinner

AKA: Dinner a Week Early; Millionaire Alumni to Donate; Professor Wellman Comes for Dinner; Wellman's Early For Dinner

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

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First Line: *The final weeks of any college semester are crowded ones, and Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy has just put in a strenuous day at his office and returns home to Number One Faculty Row, and his wife Victoria with gratitude and...*

Plot: The Wellman's stop by the Hall residence for dinner, one week before they were expected!

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Gale Gordon, Sarah Selby, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Herb Butterfield, Elizabeth Patterson, Barbara Merlin (writer), Milton Merlin (writer), Don Quinn (creator, writer), Ken Carpenter (announcer).

End of Show: Announced: "This production of 'The Halls of Ivy' was broadcast with an actual audience in the studio."

Comment: Long Beach newspaper confirms plot. Voice of America* rebroadcast.

52/06/18 108 The Halls of Ivy Math Professor

AKA: Female Instructor Hired; Hires Female Math Instructor; Woman Hired as Math Professor

Sponsored by: Commercials removed by Voice of America

First Line: *As in thousands of such institutions across America, students have come here to prepare themselves for life in a rather uncertain world. A world where courage is needed and a strong belief in great and lasting truths. And most of these truths have been...*

Plot: Professor Upshaw has been named the new head of the Mathematics Department, but David Upshaw is a woman!

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Herb Butterfield, William Erwin, Elizabeth Patterson, Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Virginia Gregg, Phillip Nelson (writer), Don Quinn (creator, writer)

End of Show: Announcer: This production of 'The Halls of Ivy' was broadcast with an actual audience present in the studio.

Comment: Voice of America* rebroadcast

52/06/25 109 The Halls of Ivy Summer Vacation

AKA: Closing for the Summer; Ivy Is Closing For The Summer

Sponsored by: Commercials removed

First Line: *Dr. William Todhunter Hall, president of Ivy, starts this week on his vacation, accompanied, need we say, by his charming wife Victoria. And here in his administration building office, metaphorically putting up the shutters, cutting off the...*

Plot: Ivy is closing for the summer, and the Halls are preparing for a vacation motor trip, but none of the students have stopped by to say goodbye. Dr. Hall recalls the time he and Victoria ran out of petrol in Devon. The program ends with an extended version of the "Ivy" Alma mater song, and the program's theme.

Credits: Ronald Colman, Benita Hume, Don Quinn (creator, writer), Gil Stratton, Ken Carpenter (announcer), Henry Russell (composer, conductor), Lee Patrick.

End of Show: Announcer: This production of 'The Halls of Ivy' was broadcast with an actual audience present in the studio.

Comment: Voice of America* rebroadcast

EPS The last show of the series. What's My Line takes over the time slot.
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