Dear Mayor Swadley,

I was wondering if it would be possible to nominate my father -- Don Stanley (Uglum) -- to the Stoughton Hall of Fame?

My father was born and raised in Stoughton. He met my mother, Elinore Buehler, at Stoughton High School and, at the time of his death in 2003, they had been married 63 years. Prior to becoming a NBC network announcer in Hollywood, he worked at WHA and WIBA in Madison (while attending UW), WTMJ in Milwaukee, as well as ABC radio in Chicago. His obituary from the February, 2003 edition of Radiogram. reads as follows:
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Here is a link to his Wikipedia page:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Don_Stanley_(announcer)

I have also created a Facebook page honoring my father's broadcasting career :

https://www.facebook.com/Don-Stanley-NBC-Announcer-682875788775162

Attached is a photo of an article from the Stoughton Courier in 1950 that talks about my dad's career, as well. You can find more on the Facebook page.

It would be a great honor if you could consider adding my father to the Stoughton Hall of Fame.

Please let me know if this is possible.

Thanking you in advance,

Donna (Stanley) Chaffee

SOCIETY--CLUB NEWS

Don Stanley to Announce New Radio Program

Don Stanley, Los Angeles, California, former Stoughton resident, has been selected by the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) to announce the new program, "Mr. and Mrs. Blandings," starring the noted Hollywood players, Cary Grant and his wife, Betsy Drake.

Stanley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Uglum, Route 1, and the brother-in-law of Mrs. Dorothy Grove, 314 Harrison street. His wife is the former Elinore Buehler, daughter of Mrs. Louis Buehler, Stoughton.

The new program for which Stanley was chosen from among a large array of announcers, is heard each Sunday afternoon at 5:30 over NBC. Patterned after the novel, "Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream House," it tells the struggles and experiences of a home-loving young couple.

Since joining the NBC staff in Hollywood six years ago, Stanley has rapidly come to the foreground as one of the most popular announcers there. The list of programs he takes part in is long and impressive. He is also seen on a coast-to-coast television show with Sheila Graham, Hollywood columnist, interviewing the prominent people of the movie-world.

Other broadcasts on which Stanley is featured, all of which are heard by Stoughton residents, include NBC Theater, at 9:30 p. m. Wednesdays; "Nero Wolfe," starring Sydney Greenstreet, at 7 p. m. Fridays; "Dangerous Assignment," starring Brian Donlevy, at 7 p. m., Saturdays, and "The Saint," starring Vincent Price, at 3:30 p. m. Sundays. All of these programs are broadcast by WIBA, Madison.

DON STANLEY

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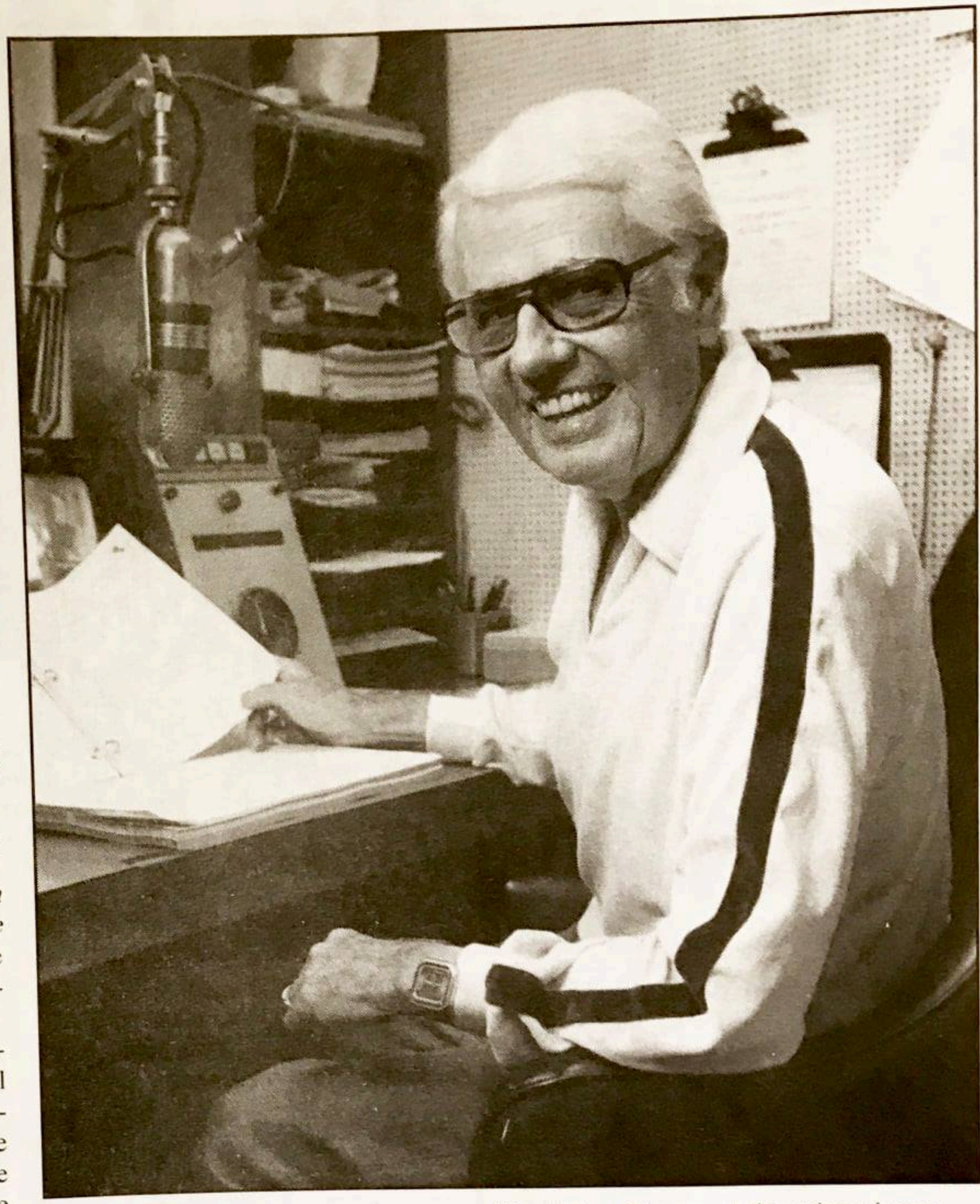

Photo Courtesy of Donna Chaffee

Longtime announcer and SPERDVAC friend Don Stanley at the microphone.

Crenna

made-for-television films, and in 1999 appearing in a four-hour series about three generations of police officers.

Recently, he had played the love interest of Tyne Daly in CBS's *Judging Amy*.

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Lone Ranger's Bob Maxwell dies

Bob Maxwell, 78, whose long career in radio included many episodes of WXYZ's *The Lone Ranger*, *Challenge of the Yukon*, and *The Green Hornet*, died December 24 in Palm Springs of complications from multiple strokes.

Maxwell, who was a featured guest at SPERDVAC's 2002 convention, also had small roles in the films *City Heat* and *Tough Guys*.

Born in Custer, Ky., Maxwell served as a medic in the Navy during World War II and participated in the D-day invasion. He earned his bachelor's degree at Wayne State University in Detroit, where he began his radio career.

He later became a well-known disc jockey in Detroit at WJLB and WWJ. His radio shows included *Platter Chatter* and *Maxwell & the Music*.

He moved to New York City in the early 1960s and hosted such programs as *The Bob Maxwell Show* and *College Quiz Show* on WCBS. He later worked for WABC.

He also did voice-overs on commercials for a number of products, including Anacin pain reliever and Aim toothpaste.

He moved to Los Angeles in 1981.