

Frances Langford Subs For Dinah on Thursday

Screen thrush Frances Langford will substitute for the convalescing Dinah Shore on the full-hour combined "Dinah Shore's Open House" and "George Burns and Gracie Allen" broadcast at 7 p. m. Thursday over NBC.

It all begins when Frances and Gracie, touched with spring fever, decide they need a change. George foolishly thinks that all that's needed is a scrambled radio show, but he finds out what the girls really mean by a complete new deal when the heart-throb, Charles Boyer, drops in.

The fine art of getting away with murder is Joseph Cotten's preoccupation in "Crime without Passion," his starring vehicle on "Suspense," radio's theatre of thrills at 7 p. m. Thursday over CBS.

As a famous criminal lawyer, Cotten plans the perfect crime, cross-examining himself at every step of the way to be sure that his method is free of slip-ups. He

succeeds in working out a murder that is foolproof . . . almost.

When Mrs. Niles' Gin Rummy and Social club decides it needs funds, Bud Abbott and Lou Costello, instead of doing the obvious and suggesting that they play gin rummy with non-members, for money, run an amateur theatrical benefit performance for the club, on the comedy broadcast at 9 p. m. Thursday over NBC.

Bob Burns turns the klieg lights on Leo Gorcey's private and public past when the "Bob Burns Show" airs over NBC at 6:30 p. m. Thursday.

Gorcey, who has appeared in 52 flickers since he started in show business with the "Dead End" kids, will receive a lecture on movie serials, as Bob fondly reminisces on Pearl White and "The Perils of Pauline."

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