

## BITS AND PIECES

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### Michael J. Fox takes a shot at directing 'Tales From the Crypt'

Three-time Emmy Award-winner Michael J. Fox is directing an episode of HBO's anthology series *Tales From the Crypt*. Fox's directorial debut, to be telecast later this year, stars Teri Garr and Carroll Baker in "The Trap."

*Entertainment Tonight* has the distinction of being the only syndicated show that premiered in 1981 and is still on the air. The long-running *Entertainment Tonight*, in its 10th unprecedented season on the air, is the No. 1 syndicated show among adults ages 16-34 and 25-54.

Steven Bochco Productions' new series for ABC about divorce lawyers has been given a name — *Civil Wars*. The one-hour drama, set in New York City, is about two divorce lawyers with their own failed marriages and their private investigator.

Joan Lunden, co-host of ABC's *Good Morning, America*, has won the prestigious 1991 Matrix Award for excellence in broadcasting from New York Women in Communication. The award is one of the highest honors accorded to women in communications, and was presented to her by Barbara Walters in early April.



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The Academy of Television Arts & Sciences has announced that its 43rd Annual Primetime Emmy Awards presentation will be telecast by Fox Broadcasting for the fifth consecutive year Aug. 24.

Ken Burns, producer of the acclaimed PBS series *The Civil War*, has been awarded the first annual Lincoln Prize by the Lincoln and Soldiers Institute at Gettysburg College. The \$50,000 award for excellence in Civil War studies is the largest of its type. The documentary also recently captured a People's Choice Award.

### Who directed first British talkie?

By Steven Alan McGaw

#### Questions:

1. What was the first sound film, or talkie, made in Britain? (Bonus: Who directed it? More bonus: What was this director's first film?)
2. How old was actor Robert Shaw when he died in 1978? (And what a shame, too.)
3. Identify the actor who played Noah in 1956's *The Rainmaker*. (Obscure bonus: What is the title of the musical version of this film?)
4. Writer Mel Gussow wrote a biography of a legendary Hollywood producer titled *Don't Say Yes Until I Finish Talking*. Who was the subject?
5. Who played Moon in *True Grit*?
6. What color Cadillac did Hud drive?
7. Complete this 1960 song lyric: "I've got those — hup, two, three, four — Operation...."

#### Answers:

1. The film was *Blackmail*, directed by Alfred Hitchcock. His first movie was *The Lodger*.
2. 51
3. Lloyd Bridges played Noah. The musical version of *The Rainmaker* is *110 in the Shade*.
4. Darryl F. Zanuck
5. Dennis Hopper. (Hard to imagine Hopper and John Wayne on the same set every day, huh?)
6. Pink, of course.
7. G.I. Blues



Killian (Gary Cole) is reunited with his sister after 10 years on *Midnight Caller*, Friday on NBC.



Pat Riley hosts *NBA Showtime*, NBC's pre-game show. This week the Lakers take on the Jazz.



Wendy Jo Sperber stars as Charlene, one of three *Babes* on the Fox series airing Thursday.