



THIS IS JUST A SMALL part of the vast equipment needed to put on the Ed Sullivan show. Ed is seen at the extreme left getting ready for show's dress rehearsal.

Ed Sullivan--19 Years at the Top

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A feeling of high wire tension is in the air. Gigantic lights blaze overhead. The cameras move in. A slender, dapper figure strides on stage. Everyone goes into action. The Ed Sullivan show is on the air.

Ed Sullivan literally is on his toes every minute of the program. His entire attention is on the show and on the performers. He gives them his undivided attention. He is every inch a "pro" during rehearsal and during the time the show is on the TV networks. And no wonder, for Ed Sullivan has been a top favorite for over 19 years, practically a family fixture.

There were hundreds of fleeting impressions the Observer received during the dress rehearsal of the Oct. 9 E. Sullivan show. Myron Cohen, besides being a gifted storyteller is one of the most beautifully tailored men we have ever seen. His suits are exquisitely cut. His many years in the garment industry are evident on first sight.

Allen and Rossi are beloved by their audiences. They are just the same on the stage as they are off. They were doing a football skit and we chanced to be carrying a football into the studio as a gift for Ed Sullivan. Their manager asked if they could use it in the skit and thus we had a chance to interview them afterward. They told us that Allen and Rossi will "go to college" this year and will be playing a series of dates on the campuses.

Once the show is over, Ed Sullivan relaxes and his fans take over. He is a completely different person off stage. He has the warm magnetism of his Irish heritage and is very quick witted. He enjoys

"ribbing" the people while the pictures are being snapped, and incidentally causing them to relax and make a better picture.

"Mr. Sullivan, this is the first time I've met you, but I feel as if I know you. I've been seeing you every Sunday night for years," is what people usually say, upon meeting him.

And he just grins in his genial way, and says, "I'm glad to hear it." And you believe him. He is a top performer, and after meeting him, you are his fan for life.

He started out as a sportswriter, and states that through the years, the sports writers have contributed the

greatest writing to the papers.

"Do you really mean that?" I asked him. "I really do," he said seriously. "Sports writers learn to pack action, drama and excitement into their paragraphs. Anyone who wants to learn good newspaper writing, should study the sports section."

I told him our managing editor would love to hear that. He was once a sportswriter.

"You sports writers really stick together, don't you," I teased him. Sullivan just grinned in his Irish way and turned to the galaxy of fans who were waiting in line to greet their favorite.



AS ENTERTAINING off stage as on, Allen and Rossi pose before doing their college football skit on the Oct. 10 program. Incidentally, Allen's (right) trademark of bushy hair is his own and not a wig.



ED SULLIVAN DISPLAYS a gift sent by fans to petite Felula Clark of England before the October 10 TV show.

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