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TOMMY DORSEY

INTRODUCTION



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Dedication

The GMC Tommy Dorsey Catalog is dedicated to the memory of Thomas Francis Dorsey III, the son of Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller Collections friend, donor and member of the University of Colorado Boulder American Music Research Center advisory board.



Tommy Dorsey and son "Skipper," Thomas Francis Dorsey III, Circa 1935
(Down Beat)

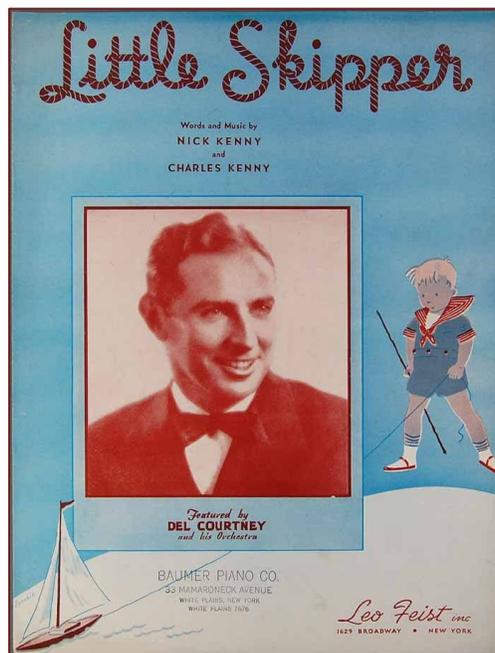


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RADIO SCRIPTS

Personnel

Personnel Changes are noted in **BOLD** throughout the documents.

Key To Abbreviations

AD	Allan De Witt	DH	Dick Haymes	MR	Martha Raye
AJ	Al Jolson	EC	Eddie Cantor	PH	Phil Harris
BY	Bunny Berigan	EW	Edythe Wright	PM	Paul Mason
BB	Betty Brewer	FK	Frankie Lester	PP	The Pied Pipers
BC	Bing Crosby	FL	Frances Langford	RM	Russ Morgan
BG	Buddy Gately	FS	Frank Sinatra	SF	Stuart Foster
BN	Barbara Canvin	FT	Freddie Stewart	SH	Skeets Herfurt
BR	Buddy Rich	GF	Gracie Fields	SN	Skip Nelson
BW	Bonnie Lou Williams	GP	Gordon Polk	SO	Sy Oliver
CH	Connie Haines	JB	Joe Buskin	TC	The Town Criers
CS	Charlie Shavers	JD	Johnny Desmond	TD	Tommy Dorsey
CW	Cliff Weston	JG	Judy Garland	TS	The Sentimentalists
CWT	Cy Walter Trio	JS	Jo Stafford	TW	Teddy Walters
C7	Clambake Seven	KC	Ken Curtis	VB	Vivian Blaine
DA	Desi Arnaz	KK	Kay Kyser	WH	Woody Herman
DD	Denny Dennis	LP	Lucy Ann Polk	ZE	Ziggy Elman
DE	Duke Ellington	LS	Larry Stewart		
		LT	Liz Tilton		

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Arrangers

AS	Axel Stordahl
BM	Bernie Meyer
DJ	Dick Jones
DK	Deane Kincaide
HS	Howard Smith
JM	Jimmy Mundy
NB	Noni Bernardi
PM	Paul Mitchell
PW	Paul Wetstein (Paul Weston)
SM	Spud Murphy
SO	Sy Oliver

Broadcasts and Venues

AR	Hotel Astor Roof
AT	All Time Hit Parade
CG	Casino Gardens
DD	Dorsey Drive
ET	Electronic Transcription
FF	Fame and Fortune
HP	Hollywood Palladium
LA	Latin America
MB	Meadowbrook Ballroom
NR	No Recording of Broadcast
PH	Hotel Pennsylvania (Sky Roof)
RE	Remote Broadcast
RK	Raleigh-Kool Program
TC	Tommy Dorsey and Company
TDS	Tommy Dorsey Show
TS	Treasury Show

Theme Song Abbreviation

IGSOY I'm Getting Sentimental Over You

Broadcast Times

All broadcast times are local.

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Archive Broadcasts and Recordings

Broadcasts preserved in the archive are noted in **BOLD** type

Issued studio recordings preserved in the archive are noted in **BOLD** type

Archive Identifications

The AMRC Glenn Miller Collections maintains internal catalogs arranged by artist and broadcast type. There is duplication within the GMA Collections of certain recordings, broadcast tapes and discs. We specify which collection or collections that the items are located in. The GMC identifies and catalogs the Victor/RCA Victor studio recordings by RCA serial numbers. Broadcasts and transcriptions are cataloged by source and GMC internal ID (AFRS, CBS, NBC, etc.).

References

Library of Congress (LOC)
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