

Alan Freed, 43, Disk Jockey, Dies



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PALM SPRINGS, Calif., Jan. 21—Alan Freed, 43, former New York rock 'n' roll radio disk jockey died yesterday. He entered Desert Hospital here three weeks ago, suffering from uremia.

Mr. Freed joined radio station WINS in 1954, and later was on the staffs of WABC and WNEW-TV. He left New York for California in 1959 after being questioned about payola.

Suspended Sentence

He was charged with taking \$30,650 from seven record companies, after an investigation by District Attorney Frank S. Hogan's office. In December, 1962, he pleaded guilty to two counts of commercial bribery, involving a total of \$2700 from two record companies.

Criminal Court Judge John M. Murtagh fined him \$300



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and gave him a six-month suspended sentence.

Last March he was indicted by a federal grand jury in New York on charges of evading \$37,920 in income taxes

for the years 1957 through 1959. He was charged with wilfully failing to report \$56,652 in taxable income, partly through failure to report payola from record companies.

Riot Charges Dropped

In his heyday as a disk jockey, he brought rock 'n' roll stage shows to Times Square's Paramount Theater, the Brooklyn Paramount and Fox, and other theaters and arenas. He was indicted on charges of inciting a riot after a performance at the Boston Arena in May, 1958, but the charges were finally dropped.

He attended Ohio State University and served in the Army Signal Corps as a photographer before becoming a disk jockey in New Castle, Pa. He moved on to other radio stations in Youngstown, Akron and Cleveland before turning to rock 'n' roll in 1952. He was an immediate success.

He made three rock 'n' roll films.

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Much of it will be rubbish, as Sir Winston would be the first to point out. Even at the limit of his power he was a proud monarchism, even then longing for a day when power was long gone.

Don't give your son money," he once advised parents. "As far as you can afford it, give him horses."

With a shrewd eye that most of his contemporaries will turn on him, he told the House of Commons in 1952: "I have always considered that the substitution of the internal combustion engine for the horse marked a very gloomy milestone in the progress of mankind."

He dabbled at flying primitive airplanes, but he was never known to have driven an automobile. He understood eras and how to really open and close.

It is said he participated in history's last military charge against 3000 howling tribes at Omdurman in the Sudan campaign, and he lived long enough and wisely enough to have written in his Nobel Prize acceptance speech in 1953:

"The power of man has grown in every age except on himself. Never in the history of action have events seemed so harsh-dwarf personalities. Rarely in history are brutal facts so dominated thought or such a widespread individual virtue as to dim a collective focus. The fearful confrontation confronts us, have our problems beyond our control? Undoubtedly, we are passing through a phase where this is so."

The difference between Sir Winston Churchill and men of ordinary mold is that as a man to wring destiny into the hands he wanted, to dominate events and to be dominated by them. There are no more like him.



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Students can bounce what the former student says against the backboard of a history. The parents of these pupils, who normally never read diaries, papers or magazines and books on history, are benefiting, too.

He has to admire Harry Truman for his age. It is different from that revealed in the Oral History Project at Columbia University. I'm not criticizing the latter;

Other Deaths

MRS. ETHEL MCKINNEY BROWN, 71, wife of Rep. Clarence J. Brown (R., Ohio), of embolism in Cincinnati.

DR. HARVEY A. HAYNES, 89, director emeritus of the University of Michigan Hospital, in Ann Arbor. He headed the hospital from 1924 to 1945.

DORAN P. BROTHER, 70, founder of the D. P. Brother & Co., Detroit advertising agency, in Miami Beach.

Selma Negroes Seek U.S. Aid

United Press International

SELMA, Ala., Jan. 21—Attorneys for 223 Negroes jailed in a mass voter registration drive were expected to ask United States district court to take jurisdiction in the case.

Rudolph Furrer, Retired Engineer

Services for Rudolph Furrer, 71, retired vice president of ACF Industries, Inc., 750 Third Ave., will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Riverside Church, 122nd St. and Riverside Dr.

Mr. Furrer, who lived at 1000 Harbor Rd., Southport, Conn., died Tuesday night at the Harkness Pavilion of Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center.

He joined ACF as a vice president in 1947. Mr. Furrer headed the nuclear energy and special products division until 1955, when he became vice president in charge of manufacturing and engineering. He also was named president of ACF's Nuclear Energy Products Division.

He became a management consultant in 1959, and served as a special assistant to the Defense Department on research and engineering in 1960. He was a senior consultant to the Lockheed Aircraft



Rudolph Furrer

from Army and Navy Ordnance bureau for his war work.

He was with A. O. Smith Corp., Milwaukee, from 1918