

American Radio Archives

Jimmy Fidler Collection

James Marion (Jimmy) Fidler (1898/1900-1988, sometimes billed as Jimmie Fidler) was a journalist and radio and television personality and wrote a Hollywood gossip column.

His career started when, in 1919, Fidler won a contest for young men who wanted to act, which provided his entry into Hollywood. Shortly thereafter he started writing publicity columns in local papers, under the names "James Marion" and "Jimmy Fidler." In 1933 he began hosting radio shows in Hollywood, and then got his own show, *Jimmie Fidler's Hollywood*. In the 1950s branched out into TV with his show *Hollywood Opening Night*. Fidler continued to write and host radio shows into the 1980s.

Inventory

Film for Television (30 reels *Jimmie Fidler from Hollywood*)

<u>Episode:</u>	<u>Condition:</u>	<u>Topic:</u>
306-1	fair	
314-6	fair	
301-3	fair	
312-4	fair	
311-3	fair	
303-2	fair	
313-2	fair	
308-3	fair	
309-5	molded and rusted	
304-5	fair	
311-6	molded and rusted	
307-6	molded and rusted	
314-5	fair	
315-1	fair	Rocket
315-6	fair	
301	molded and rusted	First Trial
306-6	molded and rusted	05-08-1956
306	fair	06-02-1956
306-1	molded and rusted	
312-1	molded and rusted	
303-6	fair	
310-6	molded and rusted	

301-5	molded and rusted	
309-3	molded and rusted	
304-1	molded and rusted	04-10-1956 12a
<u>Episode:</u>	<u>Condition:</u>	<u>Topic:</u>
313-5	molded and rusted	Jalopy and Roller Derbies
315-5	molded and rusted	
5365-153	12 Bulls Wed Roll 106, 950 ft. 2 tracks.	
541	Fidler Pilot, 1954 (answer print) Hollywood montage, J. Nash, contact lens, cold. Sound, B&W film, vinegar smell - no damage.	

Scrapbooks:

10 oversize scrapbooks with clippings, writing samples, greeting cards, and photos (2 with no dates and titles)"

<u>Year(s)</u>	<u>Title</u>
1920-1924	My Lucky Omen
n.d.	My First Columns
1933-1936	Scrapbook
1936	Scrapbook
1936-1939	Scrapbook
1940-1941	Scrapbook
1941	Scrapbook
n.d.	SLHS

Reels of magnetic audio tape (8):

"2 sets Fidler Bells" 1 7" tape, very short
 Fidler Extra Bells 1 7" tape, very short
 Master Fidler Bells 1 7" tape, full of white leaders
 Fiddler Bells not for production, use 3 bells/4 bells only 1 4" tape
 Audition 1 7" tape
 Fidler Audition Demo 1 7" tape
 Fidler Audition Master 1 quarter hour, 3 flashes, 1 10" reel

Award

For work with 1956 National Foundation for Underprivileged Children

Magazines (8)

Buckley Beagle, Vol. IX, no. X (1960) p. 17 "Bobbe Fidler."
Radio Mirror, Vol. 12, no. 1, May 1939, pp. 16-18, Jimmie Fidlers All American Radio Team
Radio Mirror, Vol. 19, no. 6, April 1943
Movie-Radio Guide, Vol. IX, no. 51, September 1940, pp. 5-7
Movie and Radio Guide, Vol. 9, no. 23, March 1940, p. 25 Bobbe Fidler (Sr.)

Screen Guide, Vol. VI, no. 5 September 1941
Photoplay, Vol. LIV, no. 10, October 1940
Christian Herald, Vol. 72, no. 1, January, 1949, p. 17

Files

- 13 p. of "Sample Copy" of *Jimmie Fidler in Hollywood*
- 6 p. of sample pages from the *Oakland Post-Enquirer* 1943
- Typed copy of Jamie Fidler's story, "The Discontented Giraffe" and Jimmie Fidler's response story.
- 13 photographs, 8x10, 10 are family photos, 3 are Fidler and an unidentified man viewing a collection of figurines.
- 1 photograph, 8x10, mounted on oversize matte, YMCA Basketball Team, Knoxville, Tennessee, Marion age 12 years.
- 3 photographs, oversize, 1930s profile of Fidler, Fidler and unnamed woman, Fidler golfing with Bob Hope and 2 others.