

Mp3 Horace Heidt And His Musical Knights - Fabulous Fifties

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television shows, Horace Heidt received a second Star on the "Hollywood Walk of Fame" in 1960 for his accomplishments in television. Mr. Heidt also served as Honorary Mayor of Van Nuys in 1964. In 1956, the same year Disneyland opened, Horace fulfilled his life-long dream by building a 180-unit, 10-acre resort apartment complex complete with an 18-hole golf course, the first of its kind in the Valley. It's not hard to say that Horace Heidt was a true Valley pioneer in entertainment and the San Fernando Valley. He was the first to put a band on the stage in Vaudeville, the first to give away money on radio, the first to discover talent on television, the first to put a big band on television, and the first to build a Palm Springs Style Resort in the San Fernando Valley. Searches:vintage comedy records,,Its in the book

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