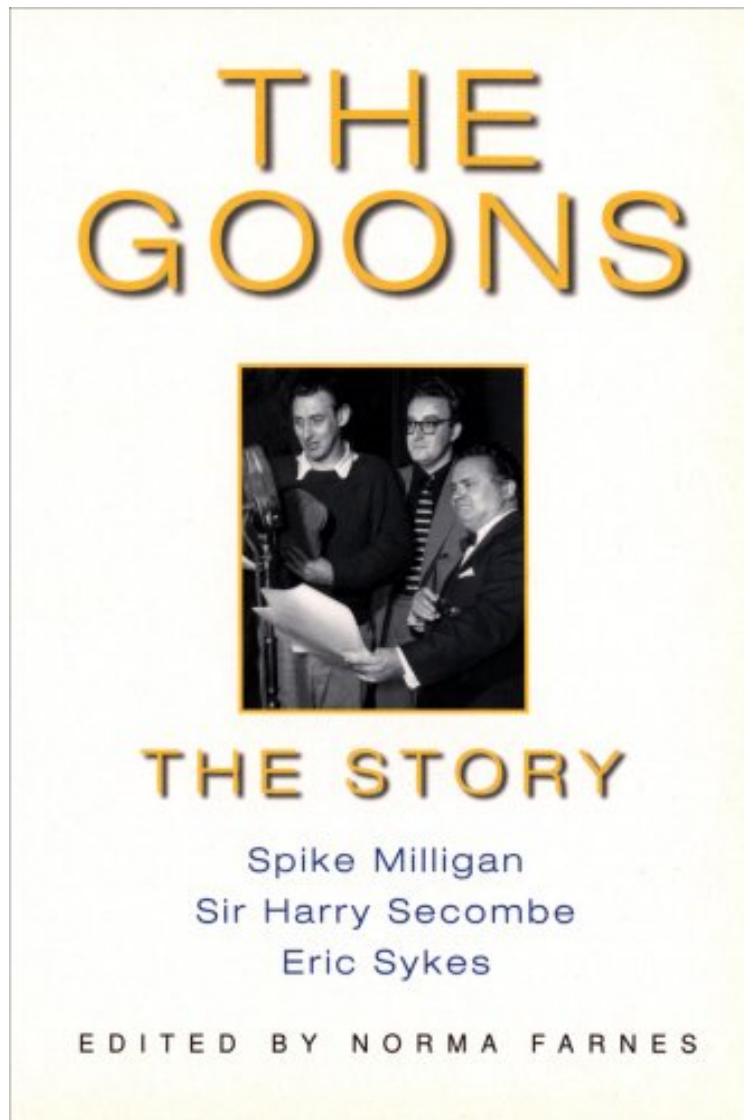


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1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Another set of storiesBy Paul WebsterFor the Goon Show fan, this book is a useful addition. it contains a collection of anecdotes from those involved at the time.For someone new to the old show - it might be a bit too dry.The book contains full scripts for a couple of shows - and an ordered list of the shows.The Goon Show Companion by Roger Wilmut is cited as a course for some of the material and I found that

book a better read for someone who wants to know all about the shows.

The Goons first went on air at the BBC as *The Crazy People* on 28 May 1951. There then began a terrible rasping, squealing, giggling, snorting period of lunacy which continued unabated until 1960. Fifty years after the first show there is still a huge interest in the Goons, with each new generation discovering afresh the anarchic humour that has had such a huge influence on so many of today's top comedy performers. This fascinating collection of reminscences, photographs and sketches is the definitive story of Eccles, Bluebottle, Neddy, Bloodnok, Grytpype-Thynne, Moriarty, Minnie Bannister, Henry Crun et al from those who know them best. Under the patient guidance of Spike's Manager, Norma Farnes, Spike Milligan and Harry Secombe, along with a select handful of friends including Eric Sykes, delve into their dusty old memories to help piece together the history of the Goons.

About the Author Norma Farnes has been Spike Milligan's manager for more than 30 years, having initially applied for a job as his personal assistant and deciding to give it a try for three months. They have never had a formal contract but sealed their professional relationship with a simple handshake. Norma has previously edited two highly successful volumes of Spike's correspondence, *The Spike Milligan Letters* which was published in 1977, and *More Spike Milligan Letters*, published in 1984.