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VERY PROPER BOSTONIAN BECOMES RELUCTANT NEW "M*A*S*H" MEMBER,
IN SPECIAL ONE-HOUR SIXTH-SEASON PREMIERE EPISODE, SEPT. 20

The highly acclaimed "M*A*S*H" series, which has earned a Peabody Award and numerous Emmys, begins its sixth season with a special one-hour premiere episode introducing the new character of Maj. Charles Emerson Winchester, an aristocratic Bostonian, played by David Ogden Stiers, to be broadcast Tuesday, Sept. 20 (9:00-10:00 PM, ET) on the CBS Television Network.

Winchester becomes a reluctant member of the "M*A*S*H" company when his predecessor, Maj. Frank Burns, still suffering from the trauma of his blighted romance with "Hot Lips," goes AWOL and receives a permanent transfer.

Alan Alda, again starring as the doggedly iconoclastic, humorous and medically dedicated surgeon, Hawkeye, and Mike Farrell, also starring as B.J. Hunnicutt, his partner in off-duty pranks and surgical skill, discover they've inherited a formidable verbal jousting rival in Winchester, whose conservative views soon clash with their own more liberal philosophies.

Also returning in their continuing roles are Harry Morgan as Col. Sherman Potter, the 4077th commander with the wry wit, and Loretta Swit as nurse Margaret (Hot Lips) Houlihan Penobscott, who last season exchanged marriage vows with Regular Army Lt. Col. Donald Penobscott.

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Gary Burghoff continues as Colonel Potter's ostensibly innocent but all-knowing company clerk, Radar O'Reilly, as do Jamie Farr as the ever-persistent Corporal Klinger, still wearing feminine attire in pursuit of a psycho discharge, and William Christopher as Father Mulcahy, the down-to-earth priest who lends a touch of sanity to the otherwise bizarre proceedings.

Hy Averback directed the premiere episode from a script by Jim Fritzell and Everett Greenbaum. Burt Metcalfe produces for Twentieth Century-Fox Studios. Stanford Tischler, an Emmy Award-winning film editor on "M*A*S*H," is associate producer.

Hawkeye.....	ALAN ALDA	Dr. Berman.....	Raymond Singer
B.J. Hunnicutt.....	MIKE FARRELL	Col. Baldwin...	Robert Symonds
Col. Sherman Potter.....	HARRY MORGAN	Sergeant.....	Tom Stovall
Hot Lips.....	LORETTA SWIT	PFC.....	James Lough
Maj. Charles Winchester...	DAVID OGDEN STIERS	MP Sergeant....	William Flatley
Radar.....	GARY BURGHOFF	Korean woman...	Kimoko Hiroshige
Corporal Klinger.....	JAMIE FARR	Patient.....	Joseph Burns
Father Mulcahy.....	WILLIAM CHRISTOPHER	Nurse.....	Barbara James
Schaeffer.....	Rick Hurst		

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