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Kiss and Tell

by F. HUGH MERRITT
An Actual Movie Shooting Script

THE STORY: When Lenny admits his love has been short-lived to 72 hours, Mildred agrees to marry him right away. They decide to keep it a secret until the row between their two families blows over.

FADE IN: EXT. SMALL SHABBY BUNGALOW—DAY

MEDIUM SHOT
This is the small ramshackle bungalow of a justice of the peace in the neighboring town of Wyndham Ferry across the state line. In the front yard there is a weather-beaten shingle which bears the words: "ELMER K. WALDO, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE." As we

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DISSOLVE TO: INT. MOVING SEDAN—TRANS-PARENCY—DAY

Lenny is driving down a country road. Mildred, ecstatically happy, is seated very close to him, her arm linked through his on the steering wheel.

Oh, Lenny, I can't believe that I'm actually your wife. (anxiously) Do you suppose it's all right—I mean, I did lie about my age. I won't actually be 18 until next month.

LENNY: (soothingly) I know. Don't worry, baby.

MILDRED: however, is still frowning anxiously.

MILDRED: (troubled) Oh, Lenny, I'm worried about what the folks'll do when they know.

LENNY: (soothingly) Don't worry, baby—we're married now and if you just leave everything to me, it'll be all right. We'll break it to 'em gently tonight.

Contentedly, Mildred puts her cheek against Lenny's shoulder and they drive along happily.

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MRS. ARCHER: (answering phone) Hello!—Oh, hello, Norma. (smiling happily) Yes—Lenny got home last night—wasn't that lovely! No, he's out now. Harry let him have the car and he left early this morning.

CORLISS: Mum, ask if he's been over there. Ask if—

Mrs. Archer, listening to the party on the wire, motions Corliss to be quiet.

MRS. ARCHER: (into phone) Oh, yes, I'm sure he'll be back for supper. We'll let you know. Goodby, Norma.

She hangs up thoughtfully and goes back to the couch.

EXT. ARCHER GARDEN

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin and Dexter are just coming through the gate from their property. Corliss greets them gaily, and the Franklins respond with affectionate ad lib greetings.

CORLISS: (pointing with her thumb over her shoulder) Mum and Daddy are on the porch.

DEXTER: (to Corliss) Lenny back yet?

CORLISS: (puzzled frown) No, and we can't think what's keeping him.

Corliss and Dexter remain in the garden while the Franklins let themselves onto the porch through the screen door.

DIFFERENT ANGLE

Corliss and Dexter are in a heated argument.

DEXTER: It's a wonder to me you didn't try to sell kisses to Private Earhart last night—if you think he's so hot!

CORLISS: (walking away) Oh, don't be childish! Dexter follows her.

PORCH

They have been watching Corliss and Dexter through the screen door and now they exchange amused glances.

MRS. FRANKLIN: Poor Dexter—he's so crazy about Corliss.

MR. FRANKLIN: (chuckling) Yes. I gather from my son he didn't altogether approve of this young soldier you had for dinner last night.

MR. ARCHER: (grinning) Oh, yes—Private Earhart. Nice boy, wasn't he, Janet?

MRS. ARCHER: Well he seemed very nice, but—(slight pause)—well, he and Corliss were holding hands at the movies last night!

MR. ARCHER: They were? (a wide grin) Why, the little devil!

(highly amused) I know she was holding hands with Dexter, because I saw 'em. I sat next to Dexter!

Just then the front doorbell rings. (To Be Continued)

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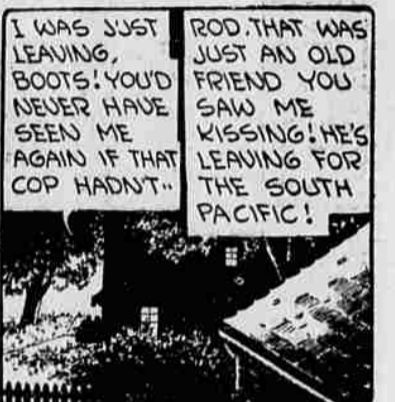
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Washington Merry-Go-Round

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installations in China, but the stopping of food and raw material shipments from the Chinese mainland to Japan.

"This is a job of logistics," said Eaker, "and it just wouldn't appeal to Chennault."

The senators, however, refused to believe this. Chandler and Senator Tom Stewart of Tennessee were particularly vehement in forcing Patterson and General Eaker to admit Chennault is as capable a tactician as their air force has. Chandler had the two war chief squirming as he described the pitiful trickle of supplies with which Chennault had to operate until quite recently.

Senator Joe O'Mahoney of Wyoming spoke at length on the question of Chinese politics, outlining the differences between the Chinese "communists" of the north and the Chiang government. Finally, he asked Patterson if the real reason for placing Chennault in a subordinate position to General Stratemeyer was to appease the communists. Chennault is known as one of the staunchest supporters of the Chiang government and strongly against the communists.

Patterson, however, indignantly denied Chinese politics entered into the move at all.

Senator Chandler proposed that Chennault be retired at the highest rank he has held—his present rank of major general. The committee will formally recommend this to the senate. Without such a recommendation, it would be possible to retire Chennault at the rank and pay of major—his permanent rank.

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| 17 On the sheltered side | 5 Snare |
| 18 Consumes | 6 Pits |
| 19 Pig | 7 Reform |
| 20 Expends | 8 Require |
| 22 Soak flax | 9 Dutch city |
| 23 Symbol for thoron | 10 Machine part |
| 24 Toward | 11 Change |
| 25 South Dakota (ab.) | 12 Birds' homes |
| 26 Symbol for silver | 20 Clarifying (ab.) |
| 28 Rupees (ab.) | 21 Makes sad |
| 29 Stage part | 37 Leather thong |
| 31 First man | 48 Emnet |
| 33 Roof edge | |
| 34 Redact | |
| 35 Paradise | |
| 36 Coteries | |
| 37 Spain (ab.) | |
| 39 Symbol for tin | |
| 40 Six (Roman) | |
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

