

Kiss and Tell

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An Actual Movie Shooting Script

EXT. ARCHER PORCH CLOSE SHOT—CORLISS AND DEXTER

Dexter is positively beaming with happiness. Corliss, very much distressed, is scowling.

DEXTER: Holy cow, this is terrific! What a break!

CORLISS: (coldly) Don't be a drip.

DEXTER: This is better than my roughest dream! I always figured they'd make us wait at least until after I was drafted!

CORLISS: (testily) Oh, don't be a goon. As soon as I can get hold of Mildred we'll just have to tell them the truth.

DEXTER: Why not wait until they've got us safely married and then tell?

She merely looks at him pityingly.

DEXTER: Holy cow, you dragged me into this—I deserve some consideration!

CORLISS: (musing) All right—maybe I will let Uncle George do it. Oh boy, if I was married, they couldn't stop me making dates with soldiers.

DEXTER: (grimly) Listen—if I ever catch you even looking at a soldier—

The door from the hall opens, and Mrs. Archer breezes in for a moment to pick up a few empty vases.

MRS. ARCHER: Corliss dear, run upstairs and dress. (to Dexter) Go on home and do what your mother says.

Smiling at them indulgently, Mrs. Archer is off again with her vases.

DISSOLVE TO:

EXT. PRINGLE HOME—NIGHT
It is presumably about half an hour later. Raymond, on his roller skates, is on the sidewalk in front of his house, poker-faced, executing intricate skating maneuvers.

Mildred comes up the path from the sidewalk. She wears a light

coat and has evidently been for a long walk. Raymond clatters over to her on his skates.

RAYMOND: Hey—psst! (pointing to doormat) Telegram for you. I hid it under the mat.

MILDRED: (a grateful smile) Thanks, Raymond.

She mounts the steps onto the veranda, crouches to retrieve the hidden telegram and then, leaving the front door open, goes into the house. Raymond, intrigued, follows her.

PRINGLE HOME—LOWER HALL CLOSE SHOT

Mildred stares at the unopened telegram with frightened eyes. Then, with a trembling forefinger, she slits it open and unfolds the message. Raymond is peering over her shoulder unknown to Mildred. Her face lights up with relief and joy.

RAYMOND: (suddenly) Hey, Pop—Mom—c'mere! Quick!

FULL SHOT
Mildred, still speechless with joy, is still reading the lengthy cable. Raymond's eyes are also still glued to it. Mr. and Mrs. Pringle, in answer to their shrill summons, are coming out of the living room.

RAYMOND: (his eyes popping) Gee whiz, imagine that! Three zeros shot down!

MRS. PRINGLE: (puzzled, but intrigued) By whom?

RAYMOND: (he's reading a little further in the cable) And Mildred's going to have a baby!

MR. PRINGLE: By whom? (suddenly blustering) What? What's that?

He snatches the telegram from his daughter's hand as Mildred flings herself into her mother's arms.

MILDRED: (between laughter and tears) Oh, Mother, it's all right. It's Lenny! We've been

married all this time! MRS. PRINGLE: (staggered) To Lenny?

Mr. Pringle has finally digested the cable and is beaming.

MR. PRINGLE: Fine thing! I'm going to be a grandfather and my son-in-law's a hero—and nobody tells me anything!

MILDRED: Well, gosh, how could I, Daddy—with you and Mr. Archer fighting like crazy? We had to keep it a secret!

MRS. PRINGLE: Then the Archers don't even know?

MILDRED: Not a soul knows except Corliss.

MRS. PRINGLE: Corliss? MILDRED: Uh-huh—and she's been simply swell. She came down with me to Doctor Fabling's office, and she—

MRS. PRINGLE: (appalled) Oh! Oh, my goodness!

MR. PRINGLE: (cheerfully) S'matter?

MRS. PRINGLE: Oh, Bob, this is awful! I thought Corliss—

Oh, Bob—after all I said to the Archers—Oh, dear, what'll they say? What'll they do?

MR. PRINGLE: (waving the cable) When they see this and know that Lenny's safe and that he's been decorated and that we're all related, they'll be just as happy as we are. (an exuberant kiss for his daughter and wife) Come on—let's all go down there and we'll all kiss and make up.

During the above, Raymond has been skating noisily around the hall. He now heads for the front door.

RAYMOND: Okay, c'mon—let's go. (casually) We might just be in time for the wedding.

MRS. PRINGLE: (puzzled) Wedding?

RAYMOND: Yep. They're getting Corliss and Dexter married for some reason. Louise told me. (half-way through the door) I think weddings are dumb, but this one might be kinda fun. C'mon.

He clatters out onto the veranda with the Pringles following him.

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Our Boarding House

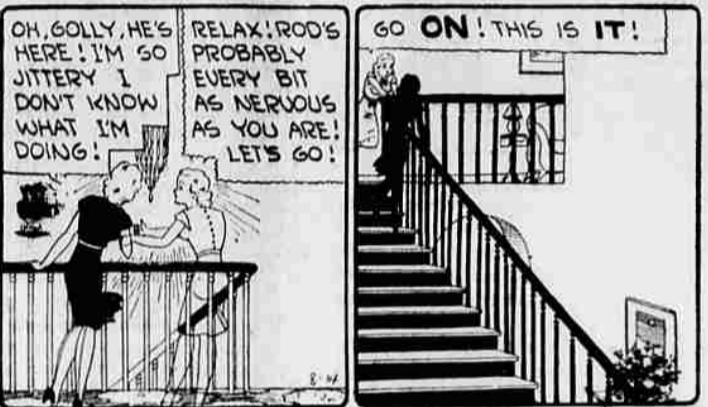
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Q—Did we ever export ice to the tropics?

A—Following the war of 1812, Frederick Tudor, Boston, shipped ice to India, Jamaica and Martinique and enjoyed a profitable business.

Q—When was the Panama Canal officially opened?

A—Aug. 15, 1914.

Q—When was the volume, Who's Who in America, first issued?

A—For the years 1899-1900, listing 8602 names.

Q—How much water is impounded behind Boulder dam?

A—32,359,000 acre feet.

Q—What is the fishing implement known as a "gorge"?

A—According to the Encyclopedia Britannica, it is a piece of flint or other stone which a fish can swallow but cannot eject.

Q—How much oil can be recovered from shale?

A—From 17 to 40 gallons of oil per ton of shale.

QUEER RENTAL

A landlord on the island of Guernsey, in 1887, won a judgment in court against a tenant for annual rent. The rent amounted to "one fowl, one-half and one-sixteenth of a fowl, one-fortieth and one four hundred and eightieth part of a fowl, 28 eggs, and three-fourths and one-eighth of an egg."

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Hold Everything



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New U. S. Official

- HORIZONTAL 49 Expunge
- 1 Pictured new
- U. S. secretary
- of agriculture,
- Clinton P.
- 7 Machine part
- 9 Facilitates
- 12 Babylonian
- deity
- 13 Blind
- 16 Master of
- ceremonies
- (ab.)
- 17 Drama
- players
- 19 Have on
- 20 Slave
- 22 Perfume
- 24 Ringworm
- 25 Sew loosely
- 26 One who
- concludes
- 27 Symbol for
- fantasy
- 28 Names (ab.)
- 29 At no time
- 32 Weird
- 35 Pitchers
- 36 More faithful
- 37 Diminutive of
- Theresa
- 38 Brazilian state
- 42 Italian
- weights
- 43 Boat (ab.)
- 44 For the
- benefit of
- Registered
- nurse (ab.)
- 47 Crimean
- (meeting place
- of "Big Three")

Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 1 Near
- 2 Negative word
- 3 Sketched
- 4 Soothsayer
- 5 Boat paddle
- 6 Nova Scotia
- 7 Lasso
- 8 Hops' kilns
- 10 Correct
- 11 Talus
- 14 Symbol for
- tellurium
- 15 Laughter-
- sound
- 17 President
- Truman
- appointed him
- (ab.)
- 18 Bags
- 20 Transgressors
- 21 He succeeded
- Claude A.
- Wickard as
- aid
- 23 Erect.
- 24 Doctrine
- 30 Pitcher room
- 31 Hearth
- goddess
- 33 Regretters
- 34 Ireland
- 38 Fuel
- 39 Exclamation
- 40 Sun god
- 41 Fish sauce
- 44 Barons
- 45 Backward
- 48 Behold!
- 50 Any