

OUT OUR WAY By J. R. Williams

OH, I DON'T FEEL LIKE PLAYIN' BASE-BALL! LET'S GO IN AN WATCH TELEVISION--THE REE-- A WRESTLING MATCH ON!

WELL, I HAV'N' WAY THROUGH--THE THREE MUSKETEERS--AND IT'S FULL OF ACTION--I THINK I'LL GO HOME AND READ--AND READ!

OWDOW! WHAT LOAFERS! THE CLOSEST YOU GUYS COME TO EXERCISIN' AN KEEPIN' YOURSELVES IN SHAPE IS BY PROXY--ONE WATCHIN' IT AN THE OTHER READIN' ABOUT IT! WHEN DU ROCKIN' CHAIR GETS YOU THRO' TIL BE PLAYIN' A SQUEEZE-BOX WHILE DOWN AN IRISH JIG!

HEROES ARE MADE--NOT BORN

OUR BOARDING HOUSE With Major Hoople

SMASHING PLACE THIS REMINDS ME A BIT OF MY OWN CLUB IN PALL MALL--I SAY A GAME OF DRAUGHTS ANYONE?

IF THIS TRAP REMINDS HIM OF A CLUB, IT MUST BE ONE THEY AIN'T REBUILT SINCE THE BUZZ-BOMBS GOT TO IT!

WELL, HE GIVES THE JOINT A LITTLE CLASS--CHEERIO, PIP-PIP, AN' GOD SAVE TH' QUEEN!

A RILLY TOAST--AHAM, SHALL WE INTRODUCE OUR HONORED GUEST TO THE OWLS' TRADITIONAL PASTIME, A GAME OF PASTERBOARDS?

RIGHT-O ANOTHER DRAFT ALL TH' WAY AROUND--HIC!

PERCY'S ACCENT IS CONTAGIOUS

WILLIAM EWALD

Playhouse 90 Fell Short With Mussolini TV Show

NEW YORK (UPI)—"The Killers of Mussolini," Thursday night's CBS-TV Playhouse 90 drama, can be summed up in a single unhappy sentence: It didn't play well.

Writer Ed Hotchner had some chunky material on his hands in his study of the Italian dictator's final days, but he never really managed to pull it together into a tight dramatic package. It was an exercise that proceeded in a halting manner — jerking head at a swift clip for a few minutes, coughing to a halt, staggering forward again, only to sputter to a slowdown.

To compound the difficulty, Hotchner's script contained several touches that bordered embarrassingly upon soap opera: a patrician couple (good guys) planning their marriage and future just before Communist partisans (bad guys) gun them down; a doomed partisan boy offering the doomed Mussolini some bread baked by his dear old mother; Mussolini writing a touching letter to his wife just before his mistress walks in.

These were cheap emotional contrivances, the shoddy ironies of a writer reaching out for the easy way of juicing a faltering story.

Buzz Kulik's direction didn't help matters much either. The drama had a herky-jerky air—awkward transitions, badly paced scenes and a complete lack of internal rhythm in the piece as a whole. The play's opening scene, in which Mussolini's advisers traded desperate strategy, was stupefyingly unreal. So, too, was the staging of all of the battle scenes.

As for the acting, for a Playhouse 90 it was curiously disappointing. Nicky Persoff as Mussolini seemed strangely off-center all evening. The character of Mussolini was obviously a complex one and Persoff never succeeded in quite delineating him: His Mussolini struck me as a crazy, mixed-up kid.

The rest of the cast ranged from awkward to adequate with the exception of Ilka Windish, who played Mussolini's mistress. In a small role, she turned in the only hard and effective portrait in the entire piece.

The Channel Swim: CBS-TV has signed Sid Caesar to an exclusive long term contract. Caesar's organization, in turn, has signed Audrey Meadows for all the TV specials he'll do for CBS-TV next season.

ABC-TV's Dick Clark will be the subject for the June 24 NBC-TV This is Your Life show—the half hour is already on tape. Red Schoendienst, the Milwaukee Braves' second baseman who was hit by tuberculosis last year, will play an important role in a CBS-TV Conquest show about the disease next season.

Luz Morales, the Filipino singer who lost her chance to sing on the NBC-TV Jack Paar Show a couple of weeks back when she

Side Glances

"I want to see how loud it'll ring. The kids are sometimes a block away when dinner's ready!"

THE STORY OF MARTHA WAYNE

MELVIN YOUNG DID HAVE SOMETHING ON ME, YOU SEE, MEL AND I WERE COMING BACK FROM A PARTY, HE WAS DRIVING, I WAS ASLEEP.

WE HIT A DRUNK CROSSING THE STREET, MEL DIDN'T STOP, AND DIDN'T TELL ME ABOUT IT UNTIL THE NEXT DAY.

By Wilson Scruggs

THE HIT-RUN STORY WAS ALL OVER THE PAPERS. I WAS AFRAID TO GO TO THE POLICE, MEL SAID HE'D MAKE TROUBLE FOR ME--UNLESS I PAID!

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

MISS HEMSTEAD IS HELPING US GIRLS MAKE OUR OWN SENSATIONAL GOWNS FOR THE PROM.

SENSATIONAL GOWNS! GOSH--IT DOESN'T SEEM FAIR, FOR THE FELLAS TO WEAR JUST PLAIN OL' TUXEDOS!

SURELY, IF I LOOK AROUND I CAN FIND SOMETHING SENSATIONAL, TOO!

WELL, I HAPPEN TO THINK DOORMEN LOOK PRETTY SENSATIONAL!

By Merrill Blosser

FROM HOG SHED ROOF HE COVERED ESCAPE OF HIS CREW DURING AN 1878 INDIAN RAID.

PROGRESSIVE, HE DRAINED SWAMPS, FENCED LAND, IMPROVED BREED.

CAPTAIN EASY

MOYO, THOSE RATS DESERVE TH' FATE THEY'LL GET! BUT I'M SQUEAMISH ABOUT BLOODSHED, WE'LL LEAVE NOW--IF YOU'LL GET US AN ESCORT OUT OF THE JUNGLE!

SURE, WE GRATEFUL YOU TRY TO WARN US, SIKI WILL HELP ME!

NO LIKUM MISS FUN...BUT OKAY, ME TAKUM OTHER BAG, TOO!

NO, IT'S SMALL, I'LL CARRY IT!

IF I'M GONNA DIE, ANYWAY, THERE'S A DOOTY I OWE THAT SCHEMIN' GABE FIRST!

HEY, YOU STOP!

By Leslie Turner

AREN'T YOU GOING TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT THAT MAN WHO BLASTED US WITH A SCATTER GUN?

SURE...BUT FIRST WE GOTTA GO CATCH THAT TEAM OF OURS HE STAMPEDED!

MY STARS ARE THEY GOING CLEAR TO THE TOP OF PIKES PEAK?

SORTA LOOKS THAT WAY

IMBUED WITH THIS RUSH TO THE ROCKIES THING, NO DOUBT

YEH...BUT IT SEEMS THEY'VE GIVE OUT

IS THERE REALLY GOLD IN THESE HILLS?

THAT'S WHAT THEY'VE GOT EVERYBODY BELIEVIN'--WHY?

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BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

SATCHERVAL SAID WE WOULDN'T GET ALONG SO GOOD SO HE BUSTED HIS MACHINE AN OUR ROMANCE... (SIGH!) HE SAID I'D FIND SOMEONE ELSE!

I KNOW HOW FOND YOU WERE OF HIM, DORY, BUT--

HURRY, MOM!

YOU'RE ON IN 40 MINUTES!

By Edgar Martin

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PRISCILLA'S POP

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THEY WALKED MILES TO ATTEND! OFTEN HAD TO FIGHT SAVAGES!

IMAGINE! HAVING TO GET TO CHURCH!

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BUGS BUNNY

HOW DO YOU LIKE OUR ACT, GUV'NOR?

LEMMIE PUT IT LIKE THIS...FIND ANOTHER WAY TO MAKE A LIVIN' ER WALL STARVE!

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JOHN WILLIAM 'PETE' FRENCH (1849-97)

DRIVE HERD INTO S.E. OREGON IN 1872. IN 20 YEARS HE TOOK UP MUCH OF DONNER AND BLITZEN VALLEY.

FROM HOG SHED ROOF HE COVERED ESCAPE OF HIS CREW DURING AN 1878 INDIAN RAID.

PROGRESSIVE, HE DRAINED SWAMPS, FENCED LAND, IMPROVED BREED.

INVOLVED IN RIPARIAN RIGHTS DISPUTES, HE WAS SHOT BY SMALL SETTLER ED OLIVER. OLIVER WAS ACQUITTED.

DAILY TV LOG

2 KREM TV 4 KXLY TV 6 KHQ TV

FRIDAY		
6:00	Newsbeat	News & Sports
6:15	Rin Tin Tin	Doug Edwards Rawhide
6:45	Walt Disney Pres.	Decorating Ideas
7:00	Amateur Hour	Elery Queen
8:00	Tombstone Terr.	Phil Silvers M Squad
8:15	77 Sunset Strip	Rendezvous with Adventure
8:30	Colonel Flack	The Lineup
8:45	Nightbeat	McKenzie's Raiders
9:00	Jack Paar	Soldiers of Fortune
9:15	Dateline Europe	Night Edition Award Movie
9:30	I Spy	News Late Movie
9:45		Late Show (12:30)
10:00		
10:15		
10:30		
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11:00		
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11:30		
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12:00		
12:15		
SATURDAY		
7:45		Farm Summary
8:00		Ruff and Reddy
8:15		Fury
8:30		Sky King
8:45		Howdy Doody
9:00		Baseball Game
9:15		I Led Three Lives
9:30		MJ. League Baseball
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1:00		Western Theatre
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1:45		
2:00		Roads to Progress
2:15		I Led Three Lives
2:30		Robin Hood
2:45		Lone Ranger
3:00		True Story
3:15		Detective Diary
3:30		
3:45		
4:00		Captain Kangaroo
4:15		Hwyd. Park Races
4:30		Cartoons
4:45		Farmer Alfalfa
5:00		Mighty Mouse
5:15		
5:30		
5:45		

This log is made up from information by Television Stations and its accuracy cannot be guaranteed by the La Grande Evening Observer.

Semi-Retired Persons Able To Receive Social Security

Social security beneficiaries do not have to retire completely to receive their monthly checks according to Vernon A. Welo, district manager of the La Grande social security office. Welo noted that many people are supplementing their social security benefits by doing seasonal or part-time work.

Persons under age 72 may earn as much as \$2080 and still get some payments. Those whose yearly earnings are \$1200 or less are eligible to receive all of their checks for the year. If the earnings for the year exceed \$1200 one check may be withheld for each \$80 (or fraction of \$80) over the \$1200.

Welo illustrated this provision of the retirement test by citing the beneficiary or worker or retirement age (62 for women, 65 for men) who works steadily and has earnings for the year of \$1800. This person could still receive 4 checks. Those who work throughout the year and earn over \$2080 would lose all their social security checks for the year. However, they would be eligible to receive payment for any month they did not work in their business or earn no more than \$100 in wages.

After the year a worker becomes was knocked unconscious by a prop, will rejoin the Paar program June 15. NBC-TV will offer 11 Bell musical specials on Friday nights next season and a 12th, tentatively scheduled for Easter Sunday.

CBS-TV's Garry Moore will ship off for a six-week vacation in Maine after his last hour show June 30 — Moore won't have to worry about his half hour I've Got a Secret show because he has taped six shows in advance. CBS-TV will offer a two hour telecast of the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway June 26.

Payments Due School Districts

SALEM (UPI) — Payments to Oregon's poorer school districts under the basic school support program will be increased during 1959-60 as a result of an opinion released Thursday by Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton.

The attorney general's ruling was requested by the State Department of Education because the House Education Committee at the last session of the Legislature failed to take any action on the basic school support cost ratio computed by the education department.

Superintendent of Public Instruction Rex Putnam asked for a ruling on the proper method of establishing the basic education program's cost.

The way Thornton interpreted the law, those districts which have been receiving the greatest amount of equalization funds will get more under the new computation.

Philippine Plunge

ACROSS

1 One of the Philippine Islands

7 This is the largest group in the Malay Archipelago

13 Small space

14 Speaker

15 Carnivorous mammal

16 Spotted sallyard

17 Greek letter

18 Doctors (ab.)

20 Entreat

21 Vended

23 Thus

24 Little masses

25 Arid

27 Another Philippine island

30 Roman bronze

32 Low haunt

DOWN

33 Entangle

34 Conclusion

35 Challenges

37 Harden, as cement

39 War god of Greece

41 Italian river

43 Rivulet

46 God of flocks

47 Organ of hearing

48 Scottish sallyard

49 Odors

52 Handled

55 Keep

56 Burdener

57 30 (Fr.)

58 Penetrates

DOWN

1 Appellations

2 Muse of poetry

3 Man's name

4 Decay

5 Chemical suffix

6 Dispatches

7 Electrified particles

8 Theater sign

9 Pillar

10 Kettledrum

11 Eminent

12 Lees

13 Puffer

22 State plays

24 Prodigy

26 Poem of time

28 Perch

29 Chickens

31 Sainte (ab.)

33 Indicate

36 Health resort

38 Philippine

39 Separated

40 More unusual

42 Papal cape

44 Tardier

45 Sidelong looks

47 Domestic slave

50 Masculine

51 River islet

53 Negative prefix

54 Perched