

THE HIGH SEAS

BY RALPH WATSON

The Fat Man lowered his morning paper and stared at the bulging forecastle while he cast about and wistful eyes to starboard and to port.

"If I thought," he remarked to T. Paer, sitting by his side, "if I thought that shipping board could get away with it, I think I'd chuck this land business and go to sea."

"Get away with what?" T. Paer asked curiously, "if I don't see as they've been getting away very fast, though, whatever it is."

"With the boss on their ships," the Fat Man explained, "I think it," he mumbled, licking the gathering moisture off his lips, "real beer for four bits a quart and a brass rail round the bar to hook your foot on."

"I see," the Fat Man said, "T. Paer responded, "It looks like they're two kinds of people in this country these days, don't it?"

"I don't know about that," the Fat Man answered, "but there's more than two kinds of hootch aboard the U. S. Merchant Marine."

"Yes, two kinds of people," T. Paer persisted, "them that 'nd them that can't get."

"I get you," the Fat Man answered, "I'm talking about the gathering moisture off his lips, 'real beer for four bits a quart and a brass rail round the bar to hook your foot on.'"

"It ain't right," the Fat Man admitted, "but," he said, giving his bulbous bulk an appraising once over, "if I thought I could get this load of meat I got down hatchway I'd sign on and be a sailor 'till the sea dried up again."

"They ain't much chance for you," T. Paer replied, as he followed his companion's eyes to his expansive waistband, "if they got you down stairs on one of them boats they'll get you down hatchway I'd sign on and be a sailor 'till the sea dried up again."

"Why don't you ship out as ballast," T. Paer suggested, "That way they could swing you down into the hold on a davit 'nd you wouldn't care how much you gained durin' the trip."

"It wouldn't do," the Fat Man replied thoughtfully, "they'd never get me hoisted."

"Well," T. Paer mused, "you might get 'em to load you in through the coal chute 'nd let you ship as a sportsman-tourist show."

"That might be a good job for me," the Fat Man conceded, "I could sweat off enough every day so I could keep on 'em every night and still not sink the ship."

"A fat chance you'd have," T. Paer said derisively, "The fellows below decks ain't got the combination to Cap Lasker's key either 'nd I'll bet on it."

"Don't you 'pose," the Fat Man asked anxiously, "that a fellow down below could take off his overalls and do up a little when night come and go up to the bar room and get a snort or two?"

"That's a smart," T. Paer assured him, "them that's down below deck belong to the can't gets."

"Then there's no justice in it," the Fat Man said heatedly, "I'd like to know who's entitled to a schooner of lager than a fellow that's been shoveling coal into a furnace if he's got the money to pay for it?"

"I know it ain't legal," T. Paer replied, "but Cap Lasker's got to have passengers on his boats whether the constitution's busted or not."

"But in the old days," the Fat Man argued stubbornly, "the fellow that'd been digging a ditch could line up at the bar alongside the president of a bank and get along as long as he had a nickel to pay for it."

"Cap Lasker wasn't runnin' that saloon," T. Paer chuckled, "He only lets the fellows that got no callouses on their hands except from jingling iron men, lean up against the mahogany."

"I know it ain't legal," the Fat Man conceded, "and I know it ain't fair, but it sounds blamed cool and comfortable with the sun shining straight over 'em 'nd goin' training right off quick."

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SPORTSMEN SHOW FESTIVAL FEATURE DRAWS THOUSANDS

Throngs of visitors are hourly pouring in and out of the Armory, where is housed the rose show and the Oregon Sportsmen-Tourist show. While no count is kept of the actual numbers, they are running into many thousands, between 800 and 10,000 persons visiting it the first afternoon and evening.

Most of the exhibits of the sportsmen and tourist show are now in place. Particularly attractive is the exhibit of Wallowa county, with its Dolly Varden and rainbow trout encased in ice. One ice cake contains 12 rainbows caught in one hour from Wallowa lake. Just across from the fish display is a wonderful selection of photographs of the "Switzerland of America," as the Wallowa residents term their country.

LAKE COUNTY EXHIBIT

Lane county has a number of pheasants half hidden in grass, a mounted wild cat and other attractions banked with fir boughs and ferns, with the McKenzie river featured in the background.

The Y. M. C. A. is featuring its boys' camp at Spirit lake, near Mount St. Helens and has a pup tent, a campfire and other features of camp life. Ashland, Grants Pass and Medford have combined on a booth featuring Crater Lake national park. A remarkable picture of Crater lake is produced with a blue silk curtain hanging back of the lake rim and Wizard island, representing the water. The boughs form a frame for the picture.

"There is a 'Youbetherland' booth of Bend and Central Oregon profusely decorated with cedar boughs and scenic pictures.

ROUND UP FEATURED

Umatilla county is featuring bears, Indian blankets and the Pendleton roundup.

Mount Hood lodge and Cloud Gap Inn have a booth with a splendid selection of mountain pictures. The Community Service, Seaside hotel, Pacific North-

west Tourist association, Inland Empire and numerous resorts have attractive booths. All have folders and literature for distribution.

In the main room, where the rose show is in progress, the walls are lined with outdoor exhibits. The Oregon game commission has some baby pheasants with a hen mother that are attracting great attention. They live in a wire cage with cedar and rose petals. The commission also has numerous mounts of game.

The Boy Scout exhibit is one of the most popular with a group of scouts constantly on hand giving demonstrations of implement making, fire starting, first aid and other activities. Wallum lake summer camp is featured.

SHOWS GRASS TEEPEE

The exhibit contains a grass teepee, a rustic bridge and several types of campfires in miniature.

The Massamas have an interesting exhibit of pictures, mountain climbing equipment and information regarding the organization and also of the annual outing this summer to Three Sisters. Rodney Gilsan, one of the club's most prominent members, has on display a unique combination of tent and sleeping bag, which he has imported from Norway and which looks to be a solution of the sleeping problem of the hiker-mountaineer. It stands up with the aid of a single lightweight pole that folds in the center and five guy ropes, is extremely light in weight and buttons up in front. Gilsan also has a backpack imported from Norway.

In the forest service exhibit Ranger Albert Wisendanger makes real coffee over a campfire, the odor of which mingles with the scent of the roses.

The biological survey has exhibited a collection of mounted birds. Eastmoreland golf links is produced in miniature by the bureau of parks.

The rose show is especially attractive, and visitors must almost get in line if they are to see the numerous exhibits. Among the tables that are drawing large crowds are those of various communities, Lane, South Portland, St. Johns, Portland Heights, Sellwood, Gresham and others.

The bureau of parks has a table of roses from its international rose test garden and there are also many new roses, including Bodley's new rose produced in Portland, the Mrs. Walter T. Sumner, the Dr. Robert Huey of Philadelphia, the Mary Wallace, the Mrs. George C. Thomas and the America.

Two Sunday School Bodies Merged at International Meet

Kansas City, Mo., June 21.—The International Sunday School association and the Sunday school council of Evangelical churches in America became one organization here today at the opening session of the 16th International Sunday school convention. It was previously agreed by officials of both organizations that the amalgamation would be effective at the opening session. In the name of the new organization, in which 44 denominations are represented, is the International Sunday School Council of Religious Education. This organization unites the Sunday school forces of the United States and Canada in a great program of religious education. The convention will be in session until next Tuesday. Seven thousand Sunday school workers and leaders from all parts of North America are in attendance.

INSPECTION OF WIRES IS URGED BY ELECTRICIAN

Immediate inspection of electrical wiring in many sections of Portland, as a means to safeguard human life, was urged upon the city council this morning by J. D. M. Crockwell. He said he is a member of the electrical workers' union; but appeared simply as a private citizen, stirred into action by the tragic death of a fireman at the fire on Yamhill street last Monday morning.

Crockwell called attention to statements made in connection with this fatality, and also presented a recent editorial on this subject published in The Journal. He said action on a general inspection had been urged previously, but that the plea was that there were no funds, and that now the loss of a human life was due to improper wiring.

Mayor Baker replied that the council members fully realize the seriousness of the situation, and he appointed Commissioners Barbur, Bigelow and Pier as a special committee to investigate and make recommendations.

Crockwell said that in half an hour he could take the commissioners on a round about point out many places where improper electric wiring might at any time become a menace to life.

East Would Use Northwest River Power, Says Riley

"They are beginning to talk in the East of the possibility of gathering up the power of our Columbia, Deschutes and other streams and wiring it to the industries of that region where the coal and fuel problem generally is becoming an emergency," averred Frank Branch Riley before the Ad club at the Benson hotel this afternoon.

Riley was given a home-coming welcome by Ad men and their wives in recognition of his successful completion of this year's Eastern lecture tour in exposition of the "The Lure of the Great Northwest."

Suggestion that Riley's lecture should be repeated in the Municipal Auditorium before those who should support the enterprise in behalf of Oregon was well received when made by Mrs. Weller.

Tom Keene of Spokane, one of the organizers of the Pacific Coast Advertising Clubs' association, was among other speakers introduced by President Rath.

Attorneys Receive Copy of Decision in Hopkins Case

Attorneys for the Hopkins estate today received a copy of the decision of the circuit court of appeals reversing the decision of Federal Judge Bean returning the estate's claim against the bankrupt house of Morris Bros.

The estate, evidence showed, had purchased \$50,000 worth of bonds from Morris Bros. a short time before the

Telephone Officials Are Here to Survey Proposed Changes

To review the status of the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company's \$2,500,000 reconstruction project under which the machine-switching system of operation will be placed in operation here, division officers of the company from San Francisco were in conference with local officers today.

Included in the group of conferees were the following from San Francisco: A. J. Reed, chief engineer's office; H. J. Hurley, Western Electric company; R. W. Mason, chief engineer's office; J. A. Mitchell, general commercial superintendent's office; R. C. Newman and H. B. Van Etten, general superintendent of traffic office; D. E. Wiseman, equipment engineer; W. R. Rowland, Western Electric company, and A. R. Bonorden, chief engineer's office.

BOYS TO SING

The Whitney boys' chorus of 2000 voices, which will sing publicly Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 o'clock and Sunday afternoon on Multnomah field, will hold a rehearsal at the White Temple, 12th and Taylor streets, tonight at 7 o'clock in honor of Miss Alice Robertson, congresswoman.

Sailors From U. S. Battleship to Box For Moose Tonight

Sailors from the United States battleship Connecticut will match their skill with the gloves in a series of boxing bouts at Moose hall, Fourth and Taylor streets, this evening. The entertainment is scheduled to start immediately after the initiation ceremonies, about 9 o'clock.

Three bouts are on the program, as follows: J. Bushill versus Joe Corriaco, J. De Leon versus Ashmore, lightweight champion of the Pacific fleet; J. Hackley, featherweight champion of the navy, versus Thomas Nolan, ex-waterweight champion.

The boys are expected to put up some lively scraps. Moose members and their men friends are invited.

SPECIAL RATES

Special rates from Portland and Willamette valley points to Los Angeles will be put in effect by the Southern Pacific railway company for the American Olympic convention, according to advice received by local S. P. offices. The passenger fare will be one and one half the one way rate for the round trip and tickets will be placed on sale from June 27 to July 3 for return July 25.

FLOYD MARTIN AUSTIN
Albany, Or., June 21.—Floyd Martin Austin, 73, died of apoplexy at his home near Balston, Or., Monday. Funeral services will be held here Thursday. He resided in Portland for 15 years. His wife, three daughters and two sons survive.

BORAX KING INJURED
Los Angeles, June 21.—(I. N. E.) Thomas Thoroldsen, wealthy Hollywood resident and nationally known as the "borax king," was injured early today when his heavy register automobile crashed through the railing of a bridge on Los Felis road, near Griffith park.

AGAINST BLUE SKY BILL
Denver, Colo., June 21.—(I. N. E.) The Western Mining Congress today was on record unanimously against the Denison "blue sky" bill now before congress.

Rich Girl, Poor Girl

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THE blind woman laid her hand on the fur coat that Adelaide wore.

"How wet you are! You will catch cold."

"No I won't," was the reply, still in the low tone that Adelaide had assumed. "For I am going to my warm room to undress and get into bed."

"What makes your coat so damp? Is the snow still falling?"

"The wind is blowing the snow that has already fallen. So long! I will see you in the morning."

"Where is Adelaide?"

"In the hall. I will send her to you."

"Adelaide left the room, remained absent for a moment, then returned to her patient."

"There," she remarked cheerfully, "just see how foolish you were to worry over a silly dream."

"Yes," the invalid admitted, "I know I was silly. But I have been horribly nervous about my little girl ever since I knew she was going out to-night. Thank Heaven she is safe at home now."

"As earlier in the night, Adelaide went to the window and looked out. The snow began to fall again. There was no sign of a track of any vehicle in the street. How long would it be before the daughter of the house would return? What could be depriving her until after one o'clock? Was the party stalled in the drifts on some country road? Would they attempt the trip back to town in such deep snow? Adelaide herself was nervous by now and understood, as never before, how the imagination runs riot in such a crisis as this. In vain she tried to remind herself that a party of eight could not be lost in a snow-storm in Westchester. She was not afraid of any injury to the joy-riders, she reflected. But she understood the inquiries that would follow upon their non-arrival tonight. Mr. Hollingshead would be angry, would accuse her of knowing of the clandestine plans.

"What are you doing?"

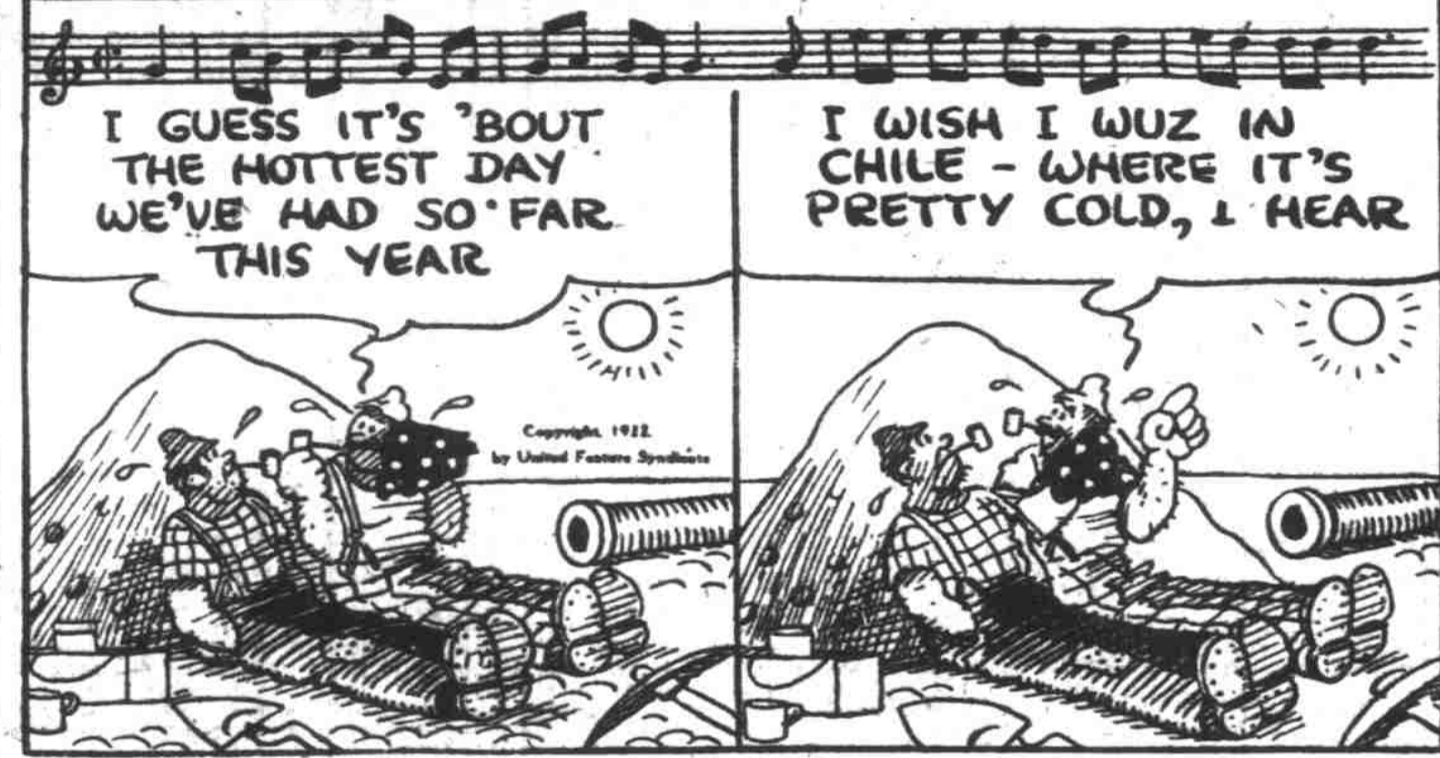
The voice from the bed brought the thinker to an appreciation of tasks still before her.

"Planning on going to bed," she answered.

"Oh—you are dressed still?"

"Yes. I have been asleep on your

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BRINGING UP FATHER



By George McManus



Hasty Action on Railway Divorce Meets Opposition

Klamath Falls, June 21.—Precipitate action in any direction should be avoided in the present railroad situation involving the Southern Pacific, Union Pacific & Central Pacific, in the opinion of lumbermen and business men who met here today to discuss the best policy for this county in dealing with the situation.

A committee of lumbermen was appointed to confer with the Southern Pacific on the subject of the proposed Western Pacific. It has not been heard from and its interests will be inquired into. The Great Northern also will be communicated with. The Union Pacific has already laid its plans before the chamber of commerce here.

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"Hold the Wire" Is Right

