In Grain Mart Prices paid to growers by Salem buyers. (The prices below supplied by a local grocer are indicative of the daily market but are not guaranteed by The States

Drops 20-Cent Total for Week: Unchecked Fall Continued Friday

CHICAGO, July 23-(A)-Corn crashed downward approximately 6 cents a bushel today for July contracts, and showed a collapse of about 26 cents total so far this week.

Trade reports of hidden stocks of corn in federally licensed elevators, together with notices that larger deliveries than had been looked for would be made tomorrow in settlement of July contracts, did much today to plunge corn prices lower.

Chicago corn futures closed all the way from 4 1/2 cents lower to 11/2 higher compared with yesterday's finish, July \$1.08-1.084. Sept. \$1.024-%, Dec. 774-%; wheat 14-24 advanced, July \$1.20%, Sept. \$1.19%-1.20, Dec. \$1.22%-1/2; oats 14 off to % up. Sept. 33%. and rye at ¼ to 1 cent gain, Sept. 85¼. Provisions results varied from 12 cents setback to a bulge of 2 cents. Low-grade wheat fell 5 cents

Standard grades of wheat, together with wheat futures here. tended to advance in price throughout the greater part of

Cauliflower Plan In Oregon Okehed appear.

CORVALLIS, July 23-(AP)-The Washington AAA headquarters istrative convenience. The cost gave final approval to the marketing agreement in the Oregon cauliflower industry, the Oregon State college extension service was advised today.

The agreement, effective today, provides for regulation of surplus stock for relief purposes, shipments by grades and sizes and pro-rating shipments outside represent both growers and hanthe producing area whenever dlers.

father's will, Denise Keith, a young

San Francisco socialite, must visit

his hunting lodge, River House,

lived there alone for years because

ment between his father and disturbing.

Come along and join our party." Denny felt contempt for Bourne

for submitting to Page and indig-

is furious. Shortly after, Bourne

ideas from your study?" he an-

swers, "I merely confirmed what

CHAPTER X

"Depths? Aqueous—or femi-nine?" Denny asked.

woted to each to speak with such authority, Captain!"

mood of gentle raillery. "Now, if

you had asked me about either

women or rivers when I was-say

twenty, I'd have been positive in my

Bourne laughed. "I'm going to like

women and rivers are alike in their | When my family lived at Tarnigan

Corn on Skids Salem Market Quotations

.05 .073 .08

(Buying Prices)

Lemons, crate 6.50 to 7.75
Oranges, Valencias 3.50 to 5.75
Loganberries, crate 1.25
Peaches, local, lb. 06
Plums, Calif., crate 1.90
Strawberries, Etterburg, crate 2.50
Raspherries, Etterburg, crate 1.75

Raspberries, crate

Lambert cherries, 1b.

Onions, green, doz. Onions. No 1, cwt.

Sweet corn, doz. Tomatoes, 20 lb. crate

Field grown, Calif.

Watermelons, Calif., retail.....

dangers of glutting the marke

cording to the volume shipped.

The Captive Bride"

ship.

Youngberries, crate
Wild blackberries, crate
VEGETABLES

(Buying Prices)
Apricots, The Dalles, crate .67 to

Blackcaps, crate Pie cherries, lb. Royal Annes, lb.

ettuce,

Grade B raw 4 per cent milk. Salem basic pool price \$2.10 per hundred. Co-op Grade A butterfat price, F.O.B. Salem 38c.

(Milk based on semi-monthly butterfat average.) Distributor price, \$2.84. A grade butterfat-Delivered, 34c; B grade delivered 82%c. A grade print, 35c; B grade, 84c.

NUTS Walnuts, Ib. 11 to .15 Filberts, 1936 crop, Ib. 16 to .19 Walnut meats, pleces, Ib. 29 Walnut meats, light halves, Ib. .92 HOPB (Buying Peces)

Mohanr Medium wool CASCARA BARK

Apricots, The Dalles, crate .67 to .83
Asparagus, Calif., crate .1.00
Beans, green and wax, lb. .04
Cabbage. lb. .02
Carrets, local, doz .45
Cauliflower, Calif., crate .125
Cucumbers, local, hothouse, doz .55
Celery, crate .225 to 2.85
Utah .3.00
Local hearts, doz .1.20
Lettnes local crate dry pack .1.10 Green, 1b.

EGGS AND POULTRY

EGGS AND POULTRY local crate, dry pack 1.10 White extras Prown, extras Medium extras Large standards Medium standards Pulleta Heavy hens, 1b. Colored mediums, lb. Medium Leghorns, lb. ... Stags, lb. White Leghorns, frys Old roosters, lb. _ Colored springs MARION OREAMERY Buying Prices Butterfat, A grade

Leghorn broilers osters ____ Salem will be the north and market value Rejects south dividing point for admin-.06 Stags, ib. ______ No. 2 grades, 2 cents less. of administration will be as- Large extras ... Medium extras sessed against the handlers ac-Large standards Medium standards The program permits the in-Undergrades dustry to cooperate with the sec- Pulleta

retary of agriculture in removing surplus stock for relief purposes. (Buying Prices)

The control committee will 1937 spring lambs, lb..... 7.50 to 8.00 Yearlings, lb. _

By Barrett

Willoughby

Stocks Shaky as Trend Unknown

Profit - Taking Stops Late Rallies by Rails, Steel and Other Groups

NEW YORK, July 23-(AP)-Stocks teetered on a shaky platform in today's market and trends were highly indefinite at

the close. The list pressed forward at a fast clip at the opening, with steels, motors, rails and a number of other groups registering gains of fractions to 2 points.

Profit selling quickly stemmed the push, however, and early advances were cut down substantially or replaced with losses in many instances.

A handful of specialties also exhibited strength. Westinghouse pushed up 4 points to 155 on unconfirmed reports a proposal would be considered soon to split up the issue. General Motors was unchanged

The Associated Press averages of 60 issues was up .2 of a point at 69.5. Transfers totalled 909 .-000 shares compared with 955, 780 yesterday. Conspicuous with gains up to

to 56 1/8.

a point or so were Electric Power & Light at 22%, Columbia Gas 14, North American 27%, American Water Works 20% and American Power & Light 11%. Ahead were General Electric

at 58% and Bethlehem Steel 94%. On the losing side were U. S. Steel at 116%, N. Y. Central 41% and Northern Pacific 30%.

130-150 lbs11.00 to	11.50
ows 8.00 to	8 25
airy type cow 3.50 to	4.00
eef come # 5.00 to	4.00
eef cows 5.00 to	0.00
fulls 5.00 to	5.75
leifers6.00 to	7.00
op veal 8.00 to	8.50
ressed veal, Ib.	13
ressed hogs, lb	7.5
GRAIN AND HAY	.134
GEAIN AND HAY	120
Vheat, white, No. 1	.97
vneat, western red	97
arley, brewing ton	12 00
eed, barley, ton	00.00
ate million ton	19.00
ats, milling, ton	17.00
Feed, ton	5.00
lay, buying prices-	
Alfalfa wallow	00.00

Quotations at Portland

PRODUCE EXCHANGE

PORTLAND, Ore., July 23—(AP)—
Produce exchange: Butter—Extras 32½; over 5 lbs., 14c lb.; Leghorn hens standards 31½; prime firsts 51; firsts 28½; butterfat 84½-35.

Eggs—Large extras 23; large standards 19.

Character 17: lost 15.

Live poultry—buying price by whole salers: Colored hens, 4-5 lbs., 16c lb.; over 5 lbs., 14c lb.; Leghorn hens under 8½ lbs., 12-12½c lb.; over 3½ lbs., 12-13c lb.; colored aprings over 3½ lbs., 18-19c lb.; 2 to 3½ lbs., 18-19c lb.; 2 to 3½ lbs., 18-19c lb.; Leghorn broilers 17c lb.; reosters, 7-8c lb. Cheese-Triplets 17; loaf 18.

Portland Grain

PORTLAND, Ore., July 23—(AP)— Wheat: Open Bigh Low Close July ...1.07½ 1.07½ 1.07½ 1.07½ Sept. ...1.03½ 1.05½ 1.03½ 1.05½ Sept. ...1.03 ½ 1.05 ½ 1.03 ½ 1.05 ½ Cash wheat: Big Bend bluestem, hw, 12 pct 1.07 ½; dark hard winter 13 pct 1.24 ½; 12 pct 1.15 ½; 11 pct 1.09 ½; acft white, western white and western red, 1.07%; hard winter 1.06%.
Oaks, No. 2 white 31.00,
Barley, No. 2-45 lb. by 33.50.

Corn. Argentine 42.00. Millrun standard 28.50. Today's car receipts, wheat, 10 floor 6

Portland Produce

PORTLAND, Ore., July 23-(AP)-Butter-Prints, A grade, 35c lb. in parchment wrappers; in cartons, 36c; grade, 34c in parchment wrappers; 35c in cartons.
Butterlat—(Portland delivery, buying price)—A grade, 34-34 %c lb.; country stations; A grade, 32-32 %c; B grade

1½ cents less; C grade, 6 cents less.

B grade cream for market—Price paid producer. Butterfat hassa 55.2c lb.; milk, 67.7c lb.; surplus, 45.9c. Price paid milk board, 67c. lb. Eggs—Euying price by wholesalers: Extras, 22c; Standard, 19c; medium 19c; medium firsts, 16c; undergrades, 14c Cheese Oregon triplets, 17c; Oregon loaf, 18c. Brokers will pay 1/2c below

Country meats—Selling valce to re-tailers: Country killed hogs, best butch-er, under 160 lbs., 15-15½c; vealers, 14c; light and thin, 10-12c; heavy, 10-11c; canner cows, 7-8c; cutters, 15-17c; bulls 10-11c; spring lambs, 14-15; ylearlings (-); ewes 5-7c.

Stocks & Bonds

July 23 STOCK AVERAGES Compiled by The Associated Press

	80	15	15	60	
	Indust.	Rails	Util.	Stocks	1
day	96.2	40.9	44.2	69.2	١,
ev.	day 96.5	41.0	53.8	69.3	1
onth	ago 89.8	38.1	40.2	64.3	1
Tag	ago 90.0	38.7	51.8	67.5	g
37	high 101.6	49.5	54.0	75.3	1
37	low 87.9	86.1	89.1	62.6	1
36	high 99.3	43,5	53.7	72.8	
36	low 73.4	30.2	43.4	55.7	1
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Indust. Rails Util. Stocks 92.8 102.9 98.1 73.3 103.0 102.5 103.3 Prev. day 92.9 Month ago 92.1 ago 93.5 high 99.0 102.6 104.4 102.8

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Cantaloupes — Delano, jumbo. 45s. \$2.60-2.85; standards, 45s, \$2.25-2.50; jumbo 36s \$2,25-2.50. Potatoes—Deschutes, \$1.75; Klamath a box on small sizes, while cu-No. 1, \$2; Yakima, No. 1(—) cental; lo cumbers, eggplant and squash, all eal, \$1.50 cental. New crop Yakima White Rose, \$1.50-1.65 cental; local, \$1.15-1.25 orange box.

Onions—New crop, California red. 85e-\$1; 50 lb. bag Walla Walla, 75-85c per 50 lb bag. Wool-1937 nominal; Willamette valley, medium 35c lb.; coarse and braids, 33c lb.; eastern Oregon, 28-29c lb.; crossbred, 32-33c lb.; medium, 31-34c lb. Hay—Selling price to retailers: Alfalfa No. 1, \$18 ton; oats and vetch, \$13; clover (—) ton; timothy, eastern Oregon, \$20-50 ton; do valley, \$16.16.50 ton, Portland.

Hops—Nominal, 1936, 26-28c.

Cascara bark-Buying price, 1937 peel,

Sugar—Berry or fruit, 100s, \$5.30; bales, \$5.45; beet \$5.20, cental. Domestic flour—Selling price, city de livery, 5 to 25 bbl. lots: Family patents. 98s. \$7.15-7.55: bakers' hard \$5.75-8.20; bakers' bluestem, \$5.75-6.25; blended hard wheat, \$5.95-7.30; graham, \$5.95-6.35: whole wheat, \$6.55-6.75 barrel. Soft wheat flours, \$5.65-8.80.

Portland Livestock

PORTLAND, Ore., July 23-(AP)-USDA)-Hogs: 150 including 99 direct market steady, top and bulk lightweight driveins 12.40, few light lights 11.50-11.75, 225-270 lb. butchers 11.50-11.90, packing sows 8.25-8.50, few feeder pigs

Cattle 25, including 8 direct, calves 100 all direct, market steady on limited supply, steers scarce, common grassers 6.00-8.00, week's top 9.85 few cuttery heifers 4.00-5.00, common-medium 5.25-8.00, low cutter and cutter 3.50-4.25, fat dairy type ows 5.00, good beef cows 6.00, bulls 5.50-6.25, good choice vealers 8.00-

Sheep 1500, including 1334, through and direct, maket steady, few medium good spring lambs 7.85-8.00, strictly good

Wool in Boston

BOSTON, July 23 - (AP) - Finer western grown wools received an im-proved demand today compared with activity diging recent weeks.
Good French length fine territory wools got some demand at around 95 cents scoured basis. Buyers bid for French combing wool in original bags at around 93, scoured basis. Offerings at this level were restricted to small lots or to lots containing short fine and half-blood woel at fair combing lengths.

Vacation in South

Gardeners' and Ranchers' Mart

PORTLAND, July 23-(AP)-Vegetables were liberal and fruits light on the Gardeners' and

Ranchers' market today, with morrow: fairly active trading. Orange quotations were up 25c box on small sizes, while cu-

in more liberal supply, went low-Local potatoes increased

quantity. Cantaloupes were easier under heavy arrivals, but demand was

Canners and out-of-state huvers with receipts barely sufficient for the demand.

Apples-Washington Winesaps, extra fancy, 3.00-3.50; transparents, 4 1/2-5c pound. Asparagus - Oregon, 30 lb. crates. Avocados-Summer, \$3.25-3.75; green \$3.50 flat.

Apricots—Oregon, 70.77c.

Beans—Local, 4g.5c per pound.

Beets—Per sack, Oregon, \$1.85.

Broccoli—Crate, \$2.25 2.35.

Brussels Sprouts—California, one-

fourth drums, \$2.75.

Berries—Raspberries, 1.75-2.25; currants, \$2.10-2.25; loganberries, \$1.85-\$2; blackcaps, \$1.85-\$2. \$2.35-2.50; youngberries,

Bananas-Per bunch, 5-5 1/2 c. Cabbage-One hundred-pound crates. 40-1.50 Cantaloupes-California, Delano valley jumbo, 45s, \$2.75 \$3; 36s, \$2.75 \$3. Carrots—Oregon, 4c per lb.; Calif., bunched, 55 60c doz.

Cauliflower-1.10-1.25. Celery-Labish, loose, \$2.60-2.75. Cherries-Eings, Lamberts, 6-7c lb. nie, 5-6c lb. Corn-1.60-1.75 for 6-7 dozen.

Cucambers-Oregon, Washington ho ouse, 55-60c dozen. Citrus fruits — Oranges, Valencias 4.75-6.00: lemons, California, 8.25 8.35 grapefruit, 2.75-4.75; lemonettes, 3.00-

Eggplant-Ore., flats, \$1.25-1.35. Figs-California, 75.85c flat. Garlic-New, 9-10c lb.; Oregon, 7-8c. Grapes-Thompson seedles, 2.50-2 90. Lettuce-Oregon, dry, 3-4 doz., 75c

Mushrooms-One pound cartons, 40 Onions-Fifty-pound sacks, U. S. No. 73-85c. Pears—Cal., bartletts, 2.75-3.00 Parsley-Per doz. bunches, \$1.25 1.35 Parsnips-Per lug, 35 40c. Peaches-Nominal

Peas—4½ e per pound. Peppers—California Bells, 12-15c; Oregon, crate, 90c-\$1.10.

regon, flat \$1.

day vacation trip into the bay BRUSH CREEK-Mrs. M. J. country around San Francisco. Madsen accompanied her son and They left Friday and plan to redaughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. turn early in August. They will 70.5 Victor Madsen and their two chil-67.6 dren, Colleen and Roger, on a ten return by way of highway 99. Victor Madsen and their two chil- | go down via the coast road and

Observers State **Wool Mart Sound**

BOSTON, July 23-(AP)-The commercial bulletin will say to-

"Conflicting factors in the situation have made the wool market somewhat irregular but the fundamental soundness of raw wool keeps prices very steady and efforts to break down prices have brought little success. Prices, west and east, are firm, as a rule, with trading more or less sporadic.

"The opening of tropical worsteds and garbardines for the new lightweight season at are taking most of the apricots 30 to 35 cents a yard advance over last year is being watched. Evidence of congestion in retail clothing markets is not lacking, "Foreign markets keep firm.

"Mohair is slow but still firm.' The bulletin will publish the following quotations: Scoured basis: Oregon: Fine and F. M. Staple 97-98; fine and F. M.

Mohair: Oregon, 65-67.

Clothing 90-92.

Woman Is Still Dizzy From Injury of Bottle Thrown at Mat Referee

MEDFORD, July 23-(AP)-Two of the three persons struck by an empty whiskey flask hurled at a referee by an incensed ball fan Monday have recovered but Mrs. Ray Love, surgical nurse, suffers from dizziness, her physician reported. She was struck in the forehead.

Harvey E. Snider, who entered a plea of guilty to hurling the bottle, was held in the county jail awaiting sentence.

Plums-Califonia, Santa Rosa, 4 basket crates, \$1.25-1.35. Peaches-Triumphs, 1.00; Hales, earrussets. \$2-2.25; Washington russets, \$2.60-2.85; local, \$2-2.25; White Rose, U. S. No. 1, \$1.50-1.65. Rhubarb-Thirty-pound boxes, 30-40c. Rutabagas-Washington, 100-lb. sacks, Radishes - Per dozen bunches, 25e-Spinach-Local, 20 pound crates, 75-

Turnips-Doz. bunches, 60 75c. Tomatoes-Oregon hothouse, 10 16c lb. er pound: Mexico, \$3.50 \$5. Squash-1-65c. Turnips-bregon hothouse, 50 60e. Tomatoes—Lugs, 1.25-1.50. ... Watermelons—Cwt., \$1.50-\$2.

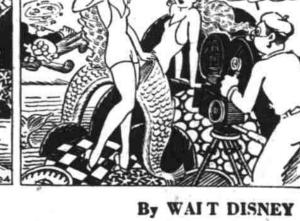
By CLIFF STERRETT

POLLY AND HER PALS

It Musta Been Sumpin He "Et"

O.K. GALS. SO MUCH FOR THE BEACH AD TOMORROW ING-HABITS.

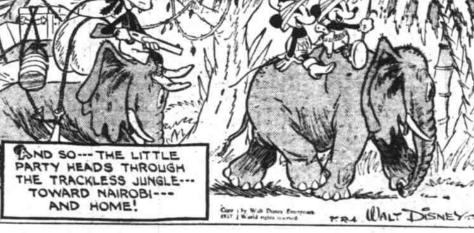
All Aboard!



MICKEY MOUSE

OOD, WATER AND THE TREASURE LOADED, MICKEY'S GANG IS READY TO EAVE THE AWBULLL JUNGLE!

SO LONG, OL' AN' EF'N YUH FIND PETE FELLER! AN' THANKS---PLENTY WE NEVER COULD HAVE DONE REGARDS TUOHTIM YOU!



LITTLE ANNIE ROONEY

The Coast Is Clear

BY BRANDON WALSH



FOOEY

TOMMY

40 RI4H

IN, CECIL

TOOTS AND CASPER

NOW, ANNIE ~ YOU AND THAT BIG. BAD WOLF BETTER HAVE A THE WOLF FRONT SEAT! BE DOESN'T EAT The Scheme That Fails

I'M OFTEN MISTAKEN FOR MR

ROCKABILT --- PST, NOW CLEAR OUT OF HERE, AND KEEP YOUR

TRAP CLOSED ABOUT

WHO I AM OR

THERE THEY 60 - SINGA HAS LEFT US THE COMBINATION FOR THE DOORS - JUST AS INTO MENTELL'S TREASURE-ROOM-DO AND GET RICH!

ER, YES, I'M LEAVING ...

I FORGOT I HAD A PREMOUS

ENGAGEMENT -- AND BY THE

WAY "TOMMY" MAY NOT BE

ANOTHER OF JULIE'S SCHEMES

A HALF-BAD CATCH FOR

By JIMMY MURPHY

CLARICE-ONE CH

CAN NEVER



THEMBLE THEATRE-Starring Popeye

OH, MY GORSH! A PISKOL!!



GOOD HEAVENS,

MR ROCKABILT

NO, BUT I LOOK

IKE HIM







YOU FUNNY-LOOKING, ONE-EYED APE, YOU'VE GONE

JUST A LITTLE

DO MY STUFF







conclusions. I knew practically everything at that age." "Oh, yes, indeed! At that time I had divided women and rivers each into two or three categories. I knew, of course, how to handle them all. But now, with thirty behind me, well—"he lifted his brows and made well—"he lifted his brows and made liquid notes of Harp's bagpipes fluta gesture with his hands to indicate ing through the trees. He was playing an air that stole on the ear low, at her in a way that made fun of himself and of all serious subjects under the sun. It was a whimsical win, so infectious that Denny re-

she divorced him and remar- They danced together, with that ried. Aboard Captain Revelry buoyant ease which darkness lends against the glinting of the stream. Bourne's Stikine Maid enroute to to activities out of doors. Tarnigan, Denny meets a varied lot The incongruity of sensuous, soindividuals enroute to River phisticated waltz music breathing

House for the hunting season. through the wilderness dark added Among them are Dr. Pool Van a peculiar poignancy to her mocca-Cleve, who is suffering from a nerv- sin-footed lightness. ous breakdown; Rio Carew, wealthy As all sense of reality gave way divorcee; Derek Haskell, Larry's before the magic of the night, she half-breed guide, with whom Rio is knew an exquisite emotion of woodenamoured, and Harp MacFarlane, land happiness; a clean, faunlike foreman of River House. Harp had kinship with Nature and with the spoken about the treachery of the blond man who held her so deftly, Stikine, praising Bourne's skill as so impersonally in his firm arms. a navigator, saying he was swift to She closed her eyes and gave herself

see and lightning to act. Shortly up wholly to his guidance.

after passing the Canadian border, But as they danced on silently the Maid ties up on the bank for the among the dim trees, there came to night. All on board go ashore to her an awareness of the man's dance. From her stateroom door, physical proximity, and of the Denny overhears Bourne talking strange pagan touch in him, and the with Jack Page, owner of the Taku lean, muscular grace of his body Wind, anchored a short distance moving with hers. It was a sensa-away. Page had broken an agree- tion new to her and, after a while,

Bourne's to stay away from the She opened her eyes to find that Stikine River as there was only he had led her across the grove al-business enough for one boat. most to the outer curve of the starlit Bourne offers to buy Page out or river, gleaming indistinctly between gamble for the rights on the river, the cottonwoods shead. As they reached the bank the music ceased but Page refuses. "It's war then?" asks Bourne. "Business that's all," and he let his arms drop from her. Page replies. Denny was expecting | They stood slightly apart, regarding some excitement, but Bourne each other—a slim, dark girl in yel-placed his hand on Page's shoulder, low; a tall, blond man in a softsaying, "Let her ride as she looks. collared shirt and white trousers. He said casually, "I knew you'd dance like this when I watched you

nation against the latter. See went ashore so intent on the situation Denny was not quite pleased by Denny was not quite pleased by that she did not see Van Cleve and collided with him. Without a word he gathers her in his arms, kisses he addressed her; but she answered her and stalks off. Denny is out-lightly. "You, too, are far from raged but calms down shortly, at-being ongainly, Captain Revelry tributing his strange behavior to Bourne."

this afternoon walking the deck.

his illness. At the party, Page im-mediately attaches himself to about you practically all my life, Denny and he too kisses her. She from your father. Let's sit down is furious. Shortly after, Bourne here for a few minutes and get acapproaches Denny and speaks to quainted." While he was speaking, her for the first time. When she he broke off branches and spread chides him for his apparent neglect, them on the sand at the foot of he responds that he was aware of a tree.

her every moment but was busy "You knew my father well, Capstudying the river. To her ironical tain?" question, "Did you acquire any new "Alı "Almost as well as I did my own. And I'm your customer, also. If

you ever want to sell River House

previous observations have indi- and the rest of your legacy, I'd like cated-that unless a man's dealing to take it over. I love the place, with obvious shallows, he never both for its own sake and because can tell from a smooth surface of your father. But it's only fair what he may find in the depths." to tell you, Miss Keith, that it's to your advantage to keep it. It's the best income property in the coun-When they were both seated he went on, "I wish you had known you," he said irrelevantly. "But to Larry Keith. He was a prince. He get back to your question—I'd say taught me to ride and to shoot.

uncertainty. Which is, of course, the secret of their fascination." -before I went off to school-he gave me the run of River House, especially the library. "What a time you must have de-"Library? At River House?" This coincided with none of the "Not necessarily. The mere passing of time brings a certain negative wisdom," he continued, in his ideas Denny had formed from her

mother's descriptions. "Larry was one of the best-read men I've ever known." Denny wanted him to tell her more about her father and his Stikine home but he, like Harp, evaded let you discover River House for

yourself," he said. The crowd about the campfire was

sponded, and they stood looking at | voice, not loud, weaved itself against According to the terms of her each other in sudden good-fellow- the night, gay and proud and wild: "A la claire fontaine "Shouldn't we dance this?" he M'en allent promener, J'ai trouvé l'eau si belle suggested. "Boom's surpassing him-

Que je m'y suis baigné." on the Stikine River, in Tarnigan, self-and for your benefit, Miss As he sang, his dog came slip-ping from the shadows and settled Canada, before disposing . it. Lar- Keith. He learned that waltz from ry Keith, an outfitter for big game our latest phonograph record." He himself on his haunches beside his hunters, loved the place and had held out his arms. master, putting his lean muzzle on Denny, going into them, experihis selfish, pampered wife, Sylvia, enced a sensation of surrender. To her surprise this lounging riverman year there. When he would not give was astonishingly light on his feet. the man's shoulder. Denny, withtion, the silhouette they made

> Only a northern riverman singing a French song about clear, flowing water; yet, somehow, the words vested him with a remote glamour; swept him back from this era of syncopation and cheap, ungrammatical love songs, to an age more elemental, more picturesquely masculine than the one she knew.

And now Revelry Bourne had, apparently, forgotten her very presence. She got the odd idea that he was singing to the river flowing past. His attitude piqued her. She was about to say something that would force his attention when

the wolf-husky, Tongass, came around from the far side of his master and, placing himself flat between Denny and the captain, put his paw on her knee. This voluntary gesture of friendliness on the part of the dog she had seen so terrible in battle, pleased and touched her. She forgot her vexation at his master's detachment and slid her arm over Tongass' warm silky neck.

Bourne's song ended and again the sounds of the wilderness became audible . . . A low, round moon had come sailing out from behind the shoulder of a mountain downstream, its growing brightness paling the stars and gilding the sweep of the river directly beneath it. She said, "I wonder what men think of on nights like this, here in

your lonely country?" "That depends on the man. Perhaps you'd like to hear what your own father thought on a night like this, just about a year ago. It was the last time time Larry Keith ever made a trip with me. We'd tied up here, as usual, on our way upriver. Larry and I were sitting on the bank, smoking and talking before we turned in. He said, 'It's strange how a youthful fancy will persist.

. . . For twenty-five years, whenever I've gone up and down the Stikine, I've longed for a night like this with my tent pitched on the bank under a tree and inside-a bed of hemlock boughs where I might lie with my wife, the woman I love, and look out through the open end, watching the river flow under the moon."

"My father said that-only last

summer?

Denny fell silent while her thoughts dwelt on her parents. How did those two, so utterly unsuited to each other, ever happen to fall in love? Was it true, what her mother had told her, that this river put a spell on people, making them do what they never would dream of doing down in the States? . . . A vision of Sylvia rose before her, blonde head tilted back, red lips parted in a light laugh of derision at the thought of spending a night in a tent. Hemlock boughs for Sylvia-whose bed was the ultimate in luxurious softness, silken sheets, satin-covered down puffs! Sylvia, arrayed for sleep after more than an hour of preparation, her marcel protected by a gold-colored net; a strap under her adorable but faintly plump chin; her useless hands in gloves lined with a special further questioning. "I'm going to bleaching cream! The thought of Sylvia's sleeping in a tent by the

river was fantastically humorous Yet, something in Sylvia's daugh-ter was capable of sympathizing