Peddler of Dreams

By PEGGY DERN

(Chapter 1)

The trailer was long, old-fashioned and shabby. The car hitched to it was a coupe of a sturdy, inexpensive make and a model several years old. Parked beneath a towering oak tree whose leaves were beginning to feel the touch of Autumn, the trailer looked cheery and hospitable.

Felicity lifted the slices of ham from the frying pan to a platter and spoke over her shoulder to a fifteen-year-old boy who sat hunched over a book at the end of the trailer.

"Round up the gang, Jay dear. Supper's ready," she said cheerfully.

"Oke," said Jason, and swung himself down the trailer steps.

Felicity poured up the red-gravy in a bowl, added half a cup of hot coffee to the frying pan to "raise" the gravy, and poured it into the bowl. She scooped great spoonsfuls of hominy-grits into another bowl, brought a pan of hot biscuits from the stove and filled five mugs of milk on the table. She heard the sound of excited voices and the trailer door opened to admit Jason, herding before him four children; the eldest, Cornelia, aged thirteen; the youngest Ellen, aged seven, with the clamorous ten-year-old twins between them. There was some sort of argument going on, and Felicity turned to arbitrate it, as usual.

"I betcha he's got a million books, Fliss," reported Ellen, wide-eyed and breathless. "And more magazines—gosh, how I'd like to cut paper-dolls out of 'em. He's good-looking, too."

"He is nice, Fliss," reported the serious, round-faced Cornelia, with an eagerness entirely alien to her grave thirteen-year-old self.

Felicity ushered them all to the table, before she said lightly:

"It would help if I had some idea who — and what — you're all talking about?"

"I found em in a trailer down the line," Jason reported. "Some guy that's got a bright new trailer and a swell car — and he's got enough books to start a second-hand store, and magazines, too. His name's Garrett Forbes."

Felicity stared at the children severely.

"Haven't I warned you folks that you mustn't go around poking your noses into other people's trailers?" she demanded.

"He said he was lonesome," Cornelia reported gravely. "And he's nice, Fliss — honestly. He's — he's swell!"

"Now, listen to me, you people!" Felicity said sternly. "If we stopped for the night in some town and stayed at a hotel, you wouldn't run down the street and dash in at people's houses, would you?"

"Tippy would," said Denny firmly.

Felicity's brown eyes danced a little. But she kept her expression stern. "Tippy would be a bad little girl if she did," she said. "Hard as it may be for you to believe, there are people in this world who don't like children—and some of them travel in trailers."

"Like Mrs. Hudgins?" asked Ellen, wide-eyed.

"Like Mrs. Hudgins," said Felicity. And then, seeing the ghost of terror in Ellen's eyes, she added soothingly, "But, of course, darling, Mrs. Hudgins wouldn't really have flung boiling water on the children who were skating in front of her house—she just said that to frighten them away."

"I betcha she would, too — I betcha Mrs. Hndgins is a witch that burns people," Tippy was saying cheerfully when Felicity turned on her.

"Tippy!" There was a note in Felicity's voice that the children heard but seldom, and always knew that it must be obeyed.

Tippy started, and she stammered, "Sure—I'm sorry, Fliss. I—I didn't mean anything."

"Eat your supper, darling," said Felicity to Ellen. "And nobody's going to bother you ever. Only—just stay close to Fliss until we get down to Florida, where you can go swimming and get all nice and brown and fat! Won't that be fun?"

"Fishing, too?" asked Ellen and now the fear had gone from her eyes.

"Oh, fishing, by all means. Jay will see to that," Felicity promised.

Later when the others were in bed, Jason and Felicity sat on the steps, shivering a little in the tangy Autumn air. Suddenly Felicity said:

"Ellen's better, isn't she, Jay?"

"Sure!" said Jason swiftly—too swiftly.

"Does she seem — to you — as nervous as she was when we started?" asked Felicity, and held her breath for the answer.

"I don't think so," answered Jason, wanting to reassure her. "Gosh, I'd like to take a buggy whip to that Hudgins dame. What an old witch she must have been!"

A voice out of the darkness said pleasantly:

"Good evening. I brought the little girl some magazines."

In the faint yellow light that fell through the trailer's open door, Felicity saw him — a tall blond young man, perhaps twenty-five or six; dressed in gray slacks, a blue pullover sweater, hatless, the light ashine on hair the color of ripe wheat.

(To Be Continued)

Falls City — The Falls City Community club meets Friday evening at 8 o'clock at I.O.O.F. hall, and the grade school pupils are putting on folk dancing. The Garden club project will be discussed. Those coming are asked to bring a pie.

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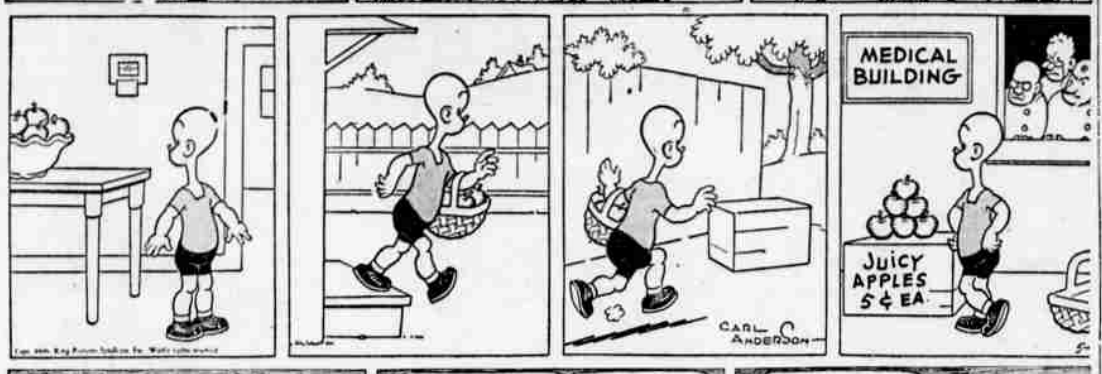

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RADIO PROGRAMS

ALL PROGRAMS PACIFIC STANDARD TIME

WEDNESDAY—P.M.

	KSLM 1390k MBC	KGW 620 NBC	KOCO 1400 ABC	KOIN 970 CBS
5:00	Superman	Blondie	Sleepy Joe	Knox Manning
:15	Superman	Blondie	Rhythm Ranch	Beulah
:30	Captain Midnight	Musical Cocktails	[illegible] Crosby	Chet Huntley
:45	Tom Mix	Elmer Peterson	Sport Page	News
6:00	Gabriel Heatter	Duffy's Tavern	Melody by Candlelight	County Fair
:15	News	Duffy's Tavern	News	County Fair
:30	Orchestra	Ronald Colman	Sport Moments	Spotlite on Youth
:45	Orchestra	Ronald Colman		Spotlite on Youth
7:00	Lynn Murray	Musical Soiree	Lest We Forget	Hollywood Music Hall
:15	Lynn Murray	Musical Soiree	Eddie LaMar	Beat the Clock
:30	Chico Kid	Curtain Time	Baseball Bandstand	Beat the Clock
:45	Chico Kid	Curtain Time		
8:00	What's the Name of That Song?	Supper Club	Dugout Dope	Lowell Thomas
:15	Variety Show	News of the World	Baseball	Jack Smith Show
:30	Variety Show	Great Gildersleeve	Baseball	Dr. Christian
:45		Great Gildersleeve	Baseball	Dr. Christian
9:00	News	George Moorad	Baseball	Five Star Final
:15	T B A	Sports Page Final	Baseball	Columbia Feature
:30	Family Theatre	Mr. District Attorney	Baseball	Columbia Feature
:45	Family Theatre		Baseball	Night Editor
10:00	Fulton Lewis, Jr	Sam Hayes	Baseball	Serenade
:15	Select Local News	Band Wagon	News Roundup	You & the World
:30	Mutual Newsreel	Ray Hackett	Track 1490	Gene Krupa Orch.
:45	Mutual Newsreel	Program Previews	Track 1490	Gene Krupa Orch.
11:00	John Steele, Adventurer		Track 1490	
:15	Foys Orch.		Track 1490	
:30	Lanny Ross		Track 1490	
:45			Track 1490	
12:00	Sign Off	Sign Off	Sign Off	Silent

THURSDAY—6 A.M. TO 4:45 P.M.

6:00	News	Farm Time		KOIN Klock
:15	News	Farm Time		News
:30	March Time	The Old Songs		News
:45	News	News		Fred Beck
7:00	News	Fred Waring	Tex Ritter	Consumer News
:15	Breakfast Gang	Fred Waring	News & Sports	Art Baker
:30	Breakfast Gang	Riders of Sage	Top O' Morning	Music for You
:45	Top Trades	Sam Hayes	News	Music for You
8:00	Bargain Counter	Tommy Dorsey	Haven of Rest	Vocal Varieties
:15	Victor Lindlahr	Tommy Dorsey	Haven of Rest	News
:30	Sons of Pioneers	Jack Berch	Western Melodies	Grand Slam
:45	T B A	News	Western Melodies	Rosemary
9:00	Northwest News	NY Honeymoon	Church in Wild.	Wendy Warren
:15	Kate Smith	NY Honeymoon	Upper Room	Aunt Jenny
:30	Pastor's Call	Pan America	Music Without Words	Helen Trent
:45	Charlie Spivak	Vincent Lopez		Our Gal Sunday
10:00	News	School Broadcast	Coffee Cup	Big Sister
:15	Bennie Walker	School Broadcast	Northwest Report	Ma Perkins
:30	Wiles Organalities	Robert McCormick	Rhapsody in Rhythm	Young Dr. Malone
:45	Waltz Serenade	Brighter Day		Guiding Light
11:00	Ladies First	Double or Nothing	Glass Wax	News
:15	Ladies First	Double or Nothing	Glass Wax	Come & Get It
:30	Queen for a Day	News	Glass Wax	Norah Drake
:45	Queen for a Day	Light of World	Glass Wax	Makes You Think
12:00	Top Trades	Life Beautiful	Everybody's Ideas	2nd Mrs. Burton
:15	News	Ma Perkins	Organ Moods	Perry Mason
:30	Northwest News	Pepper Young	News	Pat O'Brien Show
:45	Bob Eberly Show	Happiness	Ted Dale Presents	Newspaper of Air
1:00	Orchestra	Backstage Wife	Capehart Concert	Hint Hunt
:15	Johnson Family	Stella Dallas	Capehart Concert	Hint Hunt
:30	Tell Neighbors	Lorenzo Jones	Capehart Concert	Winner Take All
:45	Bing Sings	Widder Brown	Capehart Concert	Newspaper of Air
2:00	Against the Storm	A Girl Marries	Records off Shelf	News
:15	Against the Storm	Portia Faces Life	Records off Shelf	Tunefully Yours
:30	Hollywood Mel.	Just Plain Bill	Records off Shelf	Meet the Missus
:45	Hollywood Mel.	Front Page Farrell	Records off Shelf	Meet the Missus
3:00	Happy Gang	Road of Life	KOCO Kapers	Arthur Godfrey
:15	Happy Gang	Lora Lawton	KOCO Kapers	Arthur Godfrey
:30	Songs of Times	Aunt Mary	KOCO Kapers	Arthur Godfrey
:45	News	Love & Learn	KOCO Kapers	Arthur Godfrey
4:00	Fulton Lewis, Jr	Woman's Secret	Women's Page	News
:15	Hemingway	Today's Children	Dick Shannon	The Little Show
:30	Passing Parade	More Out of Life	Spotlite on Music	Club 15
:45	News	News	Spotlite on Music	Ed. R. Murrow

DIAL LISTINGS: KEX, 1190; KOAC, 550

KEX Wednesday P. M.—5:00, Keeping Up With Sports; 5:15, Home Edition; 5:30, Challenge of Yukon; 6:00, Music Festival; 6:30, Music Time; 7:00, Lone Ranger; 7:30, Amateur Hour; 8:00, Groucho Marx; 8:00, Richfield Reporter; 9:15, Intermezzo; 9:30, Concert Hour; 10:00, Memo to Tomorrow; 11:00, Extra Hour; 12:00, Sign Off.

KOAC Wed. P.M.—5:00, On the Upbeat; 5:50, 550 Sports Club; 6:00, The News; 6:15, Melodies; 6:30, Chemistry; 6:45, Guest Star; 7:00, Farmers' Union; 7:15, Farm Hour; 8:00, Radio Shorthand; 8:30, Vets' News; 8:45, News; 9:00, Music; 9:45, Meditations; 10:00, Sign Off.

KEX Thursday A.M. — 6:00, McCall News; 6:15, Time Tempos; 6:30 Robert's Almanac; 6:45, Time Tempos; 7:00, Myrt and Marge; 7:15, Martin Agronsky; 7:30 Easy Aces; 7:45, Zeke Manners; 8:00, Breakfast Club; 9:00, News; 9:15, Stars of Today; 9:30, Kay Kyser's Soliloquy; 10:00, Ted Malone; 10:15, Galen Drake; 10:30, My True Story; 11:00, Betty Crocker; 11:15, News; 11:30, Baukhage Talking; 11:45, Dorothy Kilgallen, Betty Crocker; 11:15, Dorothy Kilgallen; 11:30, Northwesterners.

KOAC Thurs A.M. — 10:00 News; 10:15, For Women; 11:00, Oregon School of the Air; 11:15, Concert Hall; 12:00, News; 12:15 Farm Hour; 1:00, Ride 'em Cowboy; 1:15, Oregon School of the Air; 1:45, All Good Things Begin at Home; 2:00, Home Garden Hour; 2:30, Memory Book; 3:45, Oregon School of the Air; 3:00, News.

Ruchman President New School District

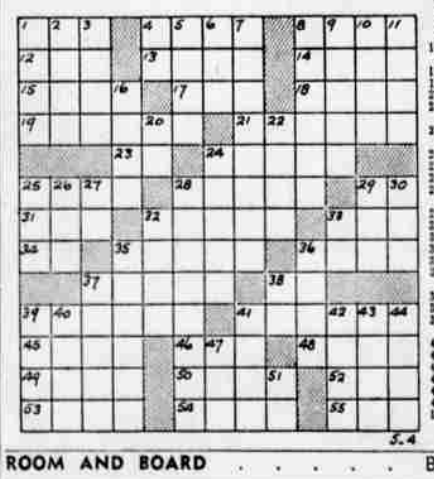
Independence — The newly consolidated school districts of Independence and Monmouth has been named district 13. A new teachers' association has been organized for all schools in the new district and will meet this week to make plans for the future. Officers elected are: President, Stanley Ruchman; vice president, Mildred Kane, and secretary-treasurer, Jessie Blackburn.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Plant juice
4. Grit
8. Footless animal
12. Sunken fence
13. Buckeye state
14. Allowance for the weight of a container
15. Death place of Augustus Caesar
17. Incite
18. Prong
19. Basis of plaster of Paris
21. Lower
22. Exists
24. Hindu garments
25. Supplication
28. Ancient language
29. Symbol for nickel
31. Rent
32. Kind of acid
33. Large weight
34. Pronoun
35. Imitate
36. Kind of meat
37. Fundamental
38. Exclamation
39. Part of a printing press
41. Determine
45. Hop kiln
46. Past
48. Sheep
49. Musical instrument
50. Implement
52. Feminine name
53. Scent
54. Volcano
55. Greek letter

DOWN
1. Warbled
2. Nautical hailing call
3. Insect's feeler
4. Consequently
5. Exclamation
6. Dress stone
7. Unduly positive
8. Reach
9. Hurts
10. Department in France
11. Wild animal
16. Continent
20. Ourselves
22. Masculine name
24. Pertaining to the Franks
25. Work at
26. Shelter
27. And: French
28. Consisting of thin layers
29. And not
30. Writing fluid
32. Agreement
33. Until
35. Affair
36. Top of the head
37. Ace of clubs
38. Pronoun
39. Horseback hockey
40. Praise
41. In a short time
42. Taunt
43. Siberian river
44. Son of Isaac
47. Obtained
51. Note of the scale

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle



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