

DOUBLE TROUBLE

By WILLIAM HOBSON

(Chapter 1)
They had started loading cattle aboard the three small paddle-wheel steamers at daylight that morning. Two had already disappeared down the river toward the Gulf and now the third lay moored tight to the big river-front wharf, grunting content like a sleepy hog in a cool mud wallow. Out a short distance, Jay Allison neiped the five other riders hold the angry, bawling steers while dock hands hurriedly threw up the portable loading chutes over the broad ramp leading into the steamer's hold.

Jay wiped at the sweat on his face and then spun his horse to go after a steer that had tried to break out. Although it was only 10 o'clock he was drenched with sweat and his horse was lathered and wet. That was the humidity could do. He thought, this is an awful way to make a living, and maybe Joe was right when he said I was crazy not to come with him. In the distance a dock hand crawled up on the chutes and waved his old hat. Perk Holeman called out, "Okay, boys. Let's crowd 'em!"

"They started the crowd, and as the bawling animals bunched closer against the wide wings of the chute the dust rose and became a mass of plunging horses and steers and cursing riders. The loud whack of quiet and rope against chapped legs and red rumps mingled with the "hoh-hoh-hohs" of the shouting riders. A big steer braced himself at the mouth of the chute and refused to budge further. The riders spun and whirled to fight the remaining herd should they try to break, and Jay knew they were in for trouble. But one of the dock hands drove a long pole with a sharp point in through the fence and punched the steer in the flank. It let out a bawl and lunged into the already well filled hold, and presently the others followed.

"That boy," Jay grinned at Perk, the foreman, as the dock hand, "is the best cowpuncher here."

Perk wiped his face with a sleeve. "Well, I guess we got 'em. I don't know what you boys air point to do, but me, I'm heading straight for Moseley's to get myself the biggest mug of cold beer he's got in the house. Lordy, but I'm dry!"

"They trotted over to where, two hundred yards away, Moseley's saloon squatted on a corner.

They swung down and clanked into the coolness and Moseley came over, a big easygoing man in a dirty white apron. "Don't say 'hi,'" he chuckled. "The weather is hot hot to drink whiskey. It's better weather from the word go. You boys get 'em loaded all right?"

Jay nodded. "They'll be in the Gulf by tomorrow morning and ready for transfer to outgoing vessels. That's sure one job I wouldn't want."

Moseley had been busy drawing mugs of foaming beer. He put one in front of Jay and said, "Say that reminds me, Jay. The station agent was down here a few minutes ago looking for you. Got a telegram for you. I told him he'd better leave it here; said if he found traps out there on foot around them steers they'd likely run him down and make mince meat outa him." He reached into the till and brought out a yellow paper. "Here you are."

Jay said, "Thanks," and took the telegram. He moved on a bit further along the bar and heard Perk's significant chuckle. "One of them bilge dogs from some skirt, huh?"

Jay opened the message and read the agent's handwriting. It read: Jay Allison, White Oak Ranch, Mud Bank, Texas. It is important that you come here at once concerning a matter I cannot mention. Tell no one about this and contact James Swinnerton, Ashbury, Texas.

Jay put the crumpled paper in a shirt pocket and picked up his drink of beer, Ashbury. That would have to do with Joe, his twin brother, since Joe's last letter to him had been from there. Jay thought of the terrible humidity here, of the malaria and scurvy and pellagra, and washed now that he had gone earlier in the year when Joe had begged him. They'd never been separated before, but at the age of twenty-five men often pre-

ferred to keep more to themselves; blood didn't count so much as it once had.

"Anything up?" Perk asked. "Nothing particular," Jay said carelessly. "Folks want me to come home for a family reunion of all the relatives. I can just about make it if I get the evening train out."

He put down the beer. "Well, boys, I've got to go hunt up the old man and get my time. I'd better get going. I'll see you before I go."

He found Hanson, the owner, down in the town's only hotel, settling up with a dark-eyed dark-facéd Spaniard who spoke English very brokenly but who paid off in gold. Jay didn't have to be told where those cattle were going. Beef for fighters in another of the many insurrections breaking in Cuba or Mexico or one of the Central American countries. They were hungry down there, they were resentful of the Spanish rule. The Cubans were trying to do something about it.

"So you're pulling out?" the owner said. "Hate to see you go, Jay, but a man owes a duty to his family. Any time you're back this way and looking for a job, come out and see me." (To Be Continued)

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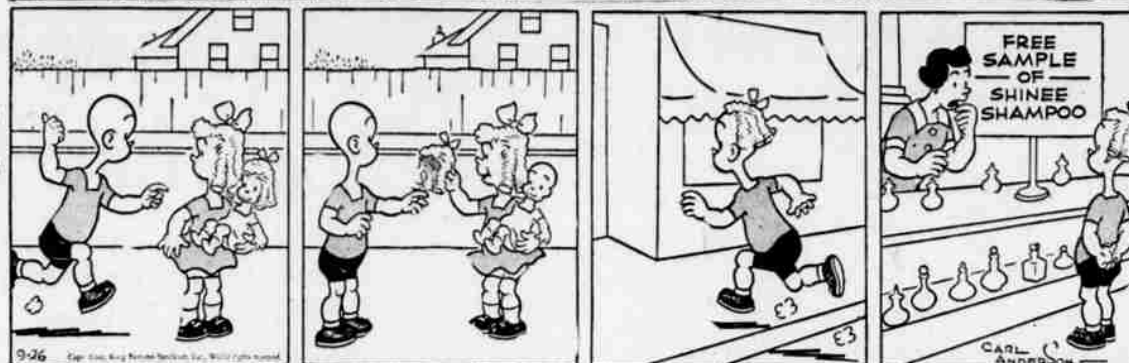
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6:00 John Steel 6:10 John Steel 6:20 Cloac Kid 6:30 Cloac Kid 6:45 Cloac Kid	6:00 Contested Hour 6:10 Contested Hour 6:20 Dave Garraway 6:30 Dave Garraway 6:45 Dave Garraway	6:00 Sinatra & Kirsten 6:10 Sinatra & Kirsten 6:20 Sinatra & Kirsten 6:30 Sinatra & Kirsten 6:45 Sinatra & Kirsten	6:00 Mr. Friend Irma 6:10 Mr. Friend Irma 6:20 Mr. Friend Irma 6:30 Mr. Friend Irma 6:45 Mr. Friend Irma
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DIAL LISTINGS: KEX 1190; KOAC, 650

KEX Monday P.M.—5:00, Squirrel Case; 5:20, Green Hornet; 5:30, Edition News; 6:30, Modern Romances; 7:00, Headline Edition; 7:15, Elmer Davis; 7:30, Kate Smith Calling; 8:00, News; 8:30, Kate Smith Calling; 9:00, Railroad Hour; 9:30, Kate Smith Calling; 9:45, News; 10:15, Intermountain; 10:30, Concert Hour; 11:30, News; 12:00, Sign Off.

KEX Tuesday A.M.—6:00, Early Bird; 6:30, News; 7:15, Band Boss; 7:30, Market; 8:30, Zake Manners; 9:15, Stars Sing; 9:30, Breakfast Club; 10:00, News; 10:15, Stars of Radio; 10:30, Tropicans; 10:45, Melody Promenade; 11:00, Ted Malone; 11:15, Galen Drake; 11:30, Kay West; 12:00, Breakfast in Hollywood; 12:15, News; 12:30, Baukhage Talkies; 12:45, Club Time; 1:00, Northwesterner; 1:30, My True Story; 12:00, Concert Hour; 1:30, Easy Aces; 2:45, Meet the

KOAC Monday P.M.—6:00, On the Upbeat; 6:30, 830 Sports Club; 6:30, News; 6:45, Dinner Melodies; 6:30, Music of Goodwill; 7:00, The Evening Farm Hour; 8, Artistic in Classical; 8:15, Defense Report; 8:30, Great Sing; 9:00, Music That Endures; 9:45, Evening Meditations; 10:00, Sign Off.

KOAC Tuesday A.M.—10:00, The W. men; 11:00, The Concert Hall; 12:00, News; 12:15, News; 1:00, News; 12:15, Polk County Area; 12:30, Spot Markets; 12:45, E. R. Jackson, Cross special; 1:00, Ride with the Cowboys; 1:15, Variety Time; 1:30, Melody Lane; 1:45, Cavalcade of Drama; 2:15, Member Book of Music; 2:30, The News; 2:45, Music of the Masters;

Members: 3:00, Surprise Packages; 3:30, News; 4:00, Ladies Be Seated; 4:30, Add-a-Line.

Taylor's Sell Home
Amity—Mr. and Mrs. Cary Taylor, have sold their home three miles south of Amity, to Charles Compton of the Fairview community. The Taylors will locate at Klamath Falls next week.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Word
2. Simple
3. Ireland
4. Clum
5. Rise and fall
6. Point of the compass
7. Feminine
8. Name
9. Irritable
10. Repose
11. Large body of water
12. Glims
13. Pastures
14. Withered
15. Artilleryman

DOWN
16. Long narrow
17. Unit of work
18. Sailing vessel
19. Asiatic peninsula
20. In what place
21. Musical prelude
22. Point of the compass
23. Wager
24. Genius of the office
25. Grated
26. Eccentric
27. Underworld river
28. Burmese mill dweller
29. Member of a city government
30. American city

31. Diner course
32. Poisonous tree of Java
33. Sodium chloride
34. Old cloth measure
35. Edible seeds
36. Ripple against
37. Scott miners
38. Plane surface
39. Rainbow trout
40. Non-union office
41. Great Lake
42. Bura
43. Expression of contempt
44. Public speaker
45. Regret
46. Favorable
47. African antelope
48. Network
49. Spiny singing bird
50. Mexican rubber tree
51. Pigeon
52. Lone Star state; adv.



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