

# DOUBLE TROUBLE

By WILLIAM HOBSON

Chapter 22

He spent the night alternately lolling in the saddle, sitting with his back against a fence post and smoking thoughtfully, and riding the part of the big horse pasture fence. When he rode in at daylight Harry was down at the corral, turning some of the saddle stock.

They looked at each other silently for a moment; then both burst out laughing. "Here, I'll give you a hand with the saddle," Harry said, going to work.

"Thanks," yawning. "I'm going to roll in and sleep all day."

Joe Allison nodded. "Did you see Ellen last night?"

"It was Harry's turn to nod.

"She still mad at me?"

"Frankly I don't know, Joe. It's hard to tell what Ellen thinks sometimes. It was that way back East."

Joe said soberly, "I got a hunch she means it this time. I know Ellen pretty well. She still believes I was over in the settlement making love to that pretty half-Mexican girl living over there. Lucia. And she should have known that I'd cut off my right arm rather than fool around with other women, except to kiss 'em and make 'em jealous. So that range is open, Harry. If she don't want me, then I won't bother her any more."

"Will you stay on?"

"I suppose so. For a while, at least."

He did stay on, riding the night guard from dark until dawn seven days a week. He never went about the house any more and he had grown quieter.

Then one night it came.

Joe had dismounted and sat with his back against a fence post about half a mile from the ranch house when his horse twisted its head a bit and pointed its ears. He slid to his feet and had his pistol out, standing rigidly, straining his eyes through the night. It might be a coyote or a bobcat prowling around; and it might be a man named Peg Smith. A voice called softly, "Joe. Hey, Joe!"

"Who is it? And freeze, or I'll start humbling them."

"Don't shoot. It's me, Hank. I got a message from Brad Morden."

Joe swung into leather, recognizing Hank's voice.

"Brad? Joe the horse thief greeted him. "How's it going?"

"All right. How's my brother Jay?"

"Fit as a fiddle. Shoulder is plumb well. Brad lets him out of the cabin once in a while, but there ain't no men around. But two of the boys guard him day and night. No doubt about it, the boss 'n' Jim Swinnerton mean business."

Swinnerton pulled stakes yet?"

"He's closed out all his cases. I hear there's going to be some kind of a big farewell party for him some-ers. What you got lined up for Brad 'n' the boys when they get here? That's what Brad told me to ask you."

Joe squatted down on his heels. "Tell Brad to send me word."

And Joe Allison went on to explain his plan.

Hank slipped away into the night. Joe went back on patrol, his face grimmer than ever. During the next two weeks he again changed to his former ways. He became quarrelsome, he snarled at everybody in sight except Mary. Where Ellen had fought with him, Mary merely said quietly, "Joe, that will be enough."

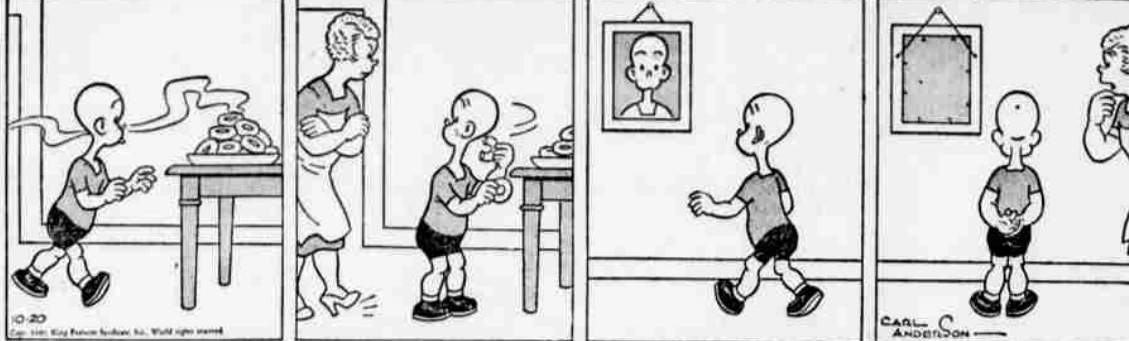
He rode Rover Boy evenings, and the feud between the two became something almost personal.

"They make a pretty good pair, those two," Mike Randall remarked to Ellen. "Both wild and untamed and neither will quit. But Blue Star can still run him down and kill him on his feet."

Ellen didn't reply. She watched Joe day after day, and whatever her thoughts were she kept them to herself. Harry had again asked her to marry him, and she had asked him to wait a month before she gave him her reply.

The two families went into town about twice every month, staying overnight and coming back the next day.

It was on one of these trips that Randall met Jim Swinnerton on the street in front of the Ford hotel.



### RADIO PROGRAMS

THURSDAY—P. M.

Time	KGW	KOIN	KEX	KSLM	KOCO
5:00	On Sunny Side	Knox Manning	Green Hornet	Straight Arrow	Rhythm Ranch
5:15	Feeder News	Little Show	Green Hornet	Straight Arrow	Rhythm Ranch
5:30	Songs of Times	Veiters Story	Jack Armstrong	Capt. Midnight	Business News
5:45	Elmer Peterson News	News	Jack Armstrong	Capt. Midnight	Business News
6:00	Screen Guild	Suspense	Headline Edit.	Gab. Heater	Candle Light
6:15	Music Maestro	Suspense	Headline Edit.	Gab. Heater	Candle Light
6:30	Music Maestro	Suspense	Headline Edit.	Gab. Heater	Candle Light
6:45	Music Maestro	Suspense	Headline Edit.	Gab. Heater	Candle Light
7:00	Ferry Come	The Playhouse	Counterpane	Drama of Med.	Pat O'Brien
7:15	Ferry Come	The Playhouse	Counterpane	Drama of Med.	Pat O'Brien
7:30	Ferry Come	The Playhouse	Counterpane	Drama of Med.	Pat O'Brien
7:45	Ferry Come	The Playhouse	Counterpane	Drama of Med.	Pat O'Brien
8:00	Sinatra-Kirsten	Lowell Thomas	Amateur Hour	Hop'ing Cassidy	Track 1490
8:15	World News	Jack Smith	Amateur Hour	Hop'ing Cassidy	Track 1490
8:30	World News	Jack Smith	Amateur Hour	Hop'ing Cassidy	Track 1490
8:45	Aldrich Family	Mr. Keen	Name News	Archie, Q-back	Track 1490
9:00	Father Knows F.B.I.	Bob Matney	Name News	Archie, Q-back	Track 1490
9:15	Father Knows F.B.I.	Bob Matney	Name News	Archie, Q-back	Track 1490
9:30	Father Knows F.B.I.	Bob Matney	Name News	Archie, Q-back	Track 1490
9:45	Father Knows F.B.I.	Bob Matney	Name News	Archie, Q-back	Track 1490
10:00	Sam Haver	5 Star Final	Highly Repr.	Local News	Frontier Town
10:15	Sam Haver	5 Star Final	Highly Repr.	Local News	Frontier Town
10:30	Sam Haver	5 Star Final	Highly Repr.	Local News	Frontier Town
10:45	Sam Haver	5 Star Final	Highly Repr.	Local News	Frontier Town
11:00	Sam Haver	5 Star Final	Highly Repr.	Local News	Frontier Town
11:15	Sam Haver	5 Star Final	Highly Repr.	Local News	Frontier Town
11:30	Sam Haver	5 Star Final	Highly Repr.	Local News	Frontier Town
11:45	Sam Haver	5 Star Final	Highly Repr.	Local News	Frontier Town
12:00	Sign Off	Silent	Xtra Hour	Sign Off	Sign Off

FRIDAY—6 A. M. TO 4:45 P. M.

6:00	Hedge Podge	News	Farm News	News Summary	Timekeepers	March Time	KOCC Klock
6:15	Kansas News	News	Farm News	News Summary	Timekeepers	March Time	KOCC Klock
6:30	Farm Time	News	Farm News	News Summary	Timekeepers	March Time	KOCC Klock
6:45	Farm Time	News	Farm News	News Summary	Timekeepers	March Time	KOCC Klock
7:00	Early Bird	KOIN Klock	Wash'n News	News	Top Traders	Tex Ritter	News & Sports
7:15	Early Bird	KOIN Klock	Wash'n News	News	Top Traders	Tex Ritter	News & Sports
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12:00	Early Bird	KOIN Klock	Wash'n News	News	Top Traders	Tex Ritter	News & Sports

### DIAL LISTING, KOAC 550

KOAC Thursday P.M.—5:00, Children's Theater; 5:15, On the Urban; 5:30, Sports Club; 6:00, 6:15, Dance; Melodies; 6:30, 6:45, Round the Campfire; 7:00, Headlines in Chemistry; 7:15, Evening Farm Hour; 8:00, Vets' News Review; 8:15, Great Songs; 8:45, News and Weather; 9:00, Music That Endures; 9:45, Evening Meditations; 10:00, Sign Off.

KOAC Friday A.M.—10:00, News and Weather; 10:15, Especially for Women; 11:00, Oregon School of the Arts; 11:15, Concert Hall; 12:00, 12:15, Noon Farm Hour; 1:00, Ride 'em Cowboy; 1:15, 1:30, School of the Arts; 1:45, Melody Lane; 2:00, The Clubwoman's Half Hour; 2:30, Memory Book; 3:00, News; 3:15, Music of the Masters; 4:00, Oregon Reporter; 4:15, Favorite Hymns; 4:30, Friendly We Hear.

### Woodcraft Neighbors Call Valley Circles

Silverton—Mrs. Mabel Talbot, G. N., and Mrs. C. E. Higginbotham, represented Marion circle of Silverton Neighbors of Woodcraft, from the fifty who attended from district 21, at Portland East Side circle Orient Building in a formal reception for Grand Banker, Miss Eudella Norgaard, and Grand Physician, Floyd South. Grand Guardian

Neighborhood, Mrs. Minerva Coddling, installed the grand clerk.

Following the formal ceremonies of the session a social hour with supper furnished was enjoyed.

Mrs. Talbot, as Marion circle correspondent, told of the Sunday early afternoon no-hostess dinner being served at the Al Down home and a business and social hour later. Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Storlie of Independence members of Marion circle for many years.

### Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1. Out of funds: slang
4. One of the garments
11. Makes into a permit
12. Permits
13. Poplar
14. Compost of seven
17. Dine
18. Remains
20. Garden implement
21. Genus of geese
22. Before
24. Mechanic's
31. Hand
32. Propellers
33. Spinning toy
38. Semicircular part of a building
40. Minister of a parish
41. One indefinitely
42. Godly person
43. Ingredient of
44. Russian village community
45. Remains
46. Mineral spring
47. Flank mineral
48. Egg dish
49. Hand covering
50. Pertaining to frogs
51. Catchers of long fish
52. Rises

DOWN

1. Give
2. Slight word
3. Perfume
4. Social standing
5. Masculine noun
6. European mountains
7. Walk steadily
8. Takes with
9. Laundry
10. Ball on the eyelid: variant
11. Kind of tree
12. South American mountains
13. Parcel
14. Goddess of dawn
15. Brilliantly colored bird
16. Litter
17. Heated
18. Constituent of coal tar
19. Spot on a playing card
20. Small fly
21. Hammer
22. Black snakes
23. Cupid
24. Flower
25. River in Michigan
26. Hill
27. Genus of the sunfish
28. Consume points
29. Shelter

Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle

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### ROOM AND BOARD

By Gene Ahern

IF YOU'D LOAN ME \$100, YOU CAN TAKE IT OUTA MY PURSE ON MY FIRST FIGHT!—I WANNA SHAKE THESE LUMBERJACK DUDS AN' BUY A FLASHY NEW OUTFIT!

BUT, ALFY—YOU'LL SPOIL A GREAT PROMOTIONAL STUNT HAVIN' FOR OUR BRILLIANT FUTURE, TO BUILD YOU UP AS AN AUTHENTIC FIGHTING LUMBERJACK! JOVE! IT'S THE COLORFUL TOGS YOU'RE WEARING NOW THAT'LL PUT YOU OVER!

THE MANAGER SAYS \$100

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### PLEASANT DREAMS

GOOD NIGHT

### the flavor lasts

WRIGHT'S SPEARMINT CHEWING GUM

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