

Father of the Bride

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Installment I
Daughter Kay Makes the Great Decision

No matter what Kay might have done about marriage it would not have been looked upon with any great favor by Mr. Stanley Banks, merely because he happened to be fonder of his first-born than he realized.

During her teens he had dismissed all aspirants with a contemptuous shrug. From the time that Kay had first revealed herself to the social world, minus a mouthful of braces and plus a permanent, leggy adolescent with porcupine hair had begun to beat a path to 24 Maple Drive. Mr. Banks had regarded these inarticulate sufferers with a jaundiced eye.

And so the tender years had slipped by. With their passing Mr. Banks' emotional pendulum had swung the other way. He found himself wondering what was wrong with the child. What was it that caused men to bob into her life for a few brief weeks or months—and then disappear forever? She couldn't go on being a bridesmaid until she was an old lady!

It worried him and unconsciously his attitude changed, even toward Kay's most casual acquaintances. Unlike the old days, when he had been curt, suspicious and, on occasions, frankly hostile, he now began to receive them with open-armed cordiality that would have driven any alert young male out into a snowstorm.

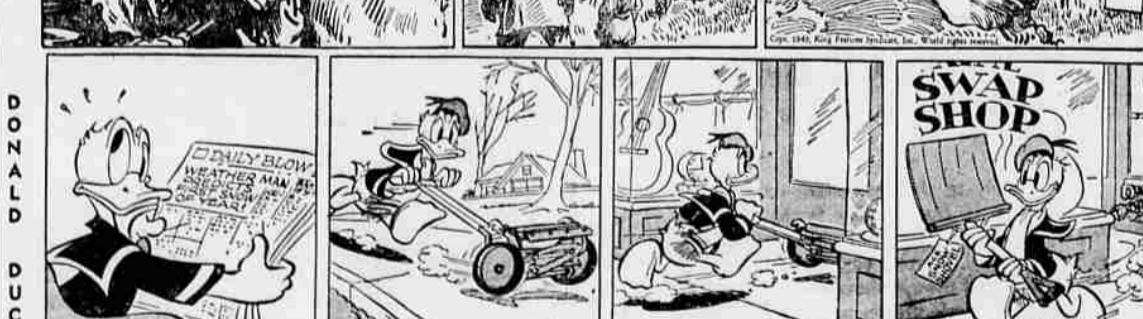
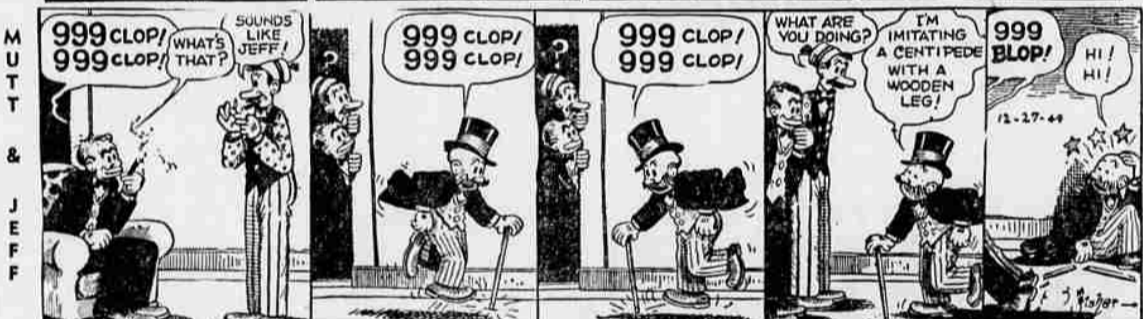
Then suddenly—without warning—it was obvious that something was happening to Kay. Some alchemy was at work within her. There was a light in her eyes that none of Dr. Barnes' vitamins had ever kindled; a radiance that made her, at times, almost a stranger to Mr. Banks.

"What's gotten into Kay, Ellie? She acts queer to me."
"I don't know," said Mrs. Banks. "Maybe she's in love."
Mr. Banks made noises of contempt. "In love! Who would she be in love with?"
"I haven't the wildest idea."
"Nonsense," said Mr. Banks. "You must have some idea."
"Well, do you remember that about two weeks ago Kay said she'd met a boy named Buckley? Something-or-other at a cocktail party?"
"You don't mean that big overgrown ham with the shoulders? Listen, Ellie, you women jump at the damndest conclusions. Just because a man—"
"All right, I'm wrong. You just wait and see."
They waited, and as the days passed it became apparent that Buckley was coming more sharply into focus. His name crept into Kay's chatter with increasing frequency, though always casually. He was apparently a young man with decided views on everything from football to God—views which for Kay's money, had not been equaled since the Delphic oracles went out of business.

Mr. Banks felt a resurgence of his old attitude. This new youth, which was beginning to fly so close to the flame, became definitely distasteful to him.
"I don't think much of that fellow," he said to Mrs. Banks. "Buckley had spent a painful ten minutes in the living room waiting for Kay."
"I don't know, dear," said Mrs. Banks. "Why don't you just leave Kay alone and let her work things out for herself?"
A hush of anticipation had fallen over the Banks family as in a theater just before the curtain rises—but nothing happened. Kay continued to look dreamy. Buckley, during his brief appearances, maintained his air of uneasy aloofness.

Mr. Banks' blood pressure had gone down as quickly as it had risen. He scarcely heard what Kay was saying and he had forgotten about Buckley. He was looking at his daughter's flushed face and remembering a small girl with brown pigtails and dirty overalls who used to fly at her two younger brothers when they scolded her too far.

It seemed like such an incredibly short time ago. That was all. He had a panicky feeling that tears were coming into his eyes. Rising from his chair, he kissed the top of her head.
"O.K. Kitten," he said. "I love him already. What did you say his last name was?"
(To Be Continued)



RADIO PROGRAMS

TUESDAY—P.M.

KGW 620 NBC	KOIN 970 CBS	KEX 1190 ABC	KSLM 1390 NBC	KOCO 1490 Kc.
5:00 The 3 of Us	Feature Story	Green Hornet	Straight Arrow	Band of Day
5:15 News	Little Show	Jack Armstrong	Jack Armstrong	Band of Day
5:30 Fanny Brice	News	Jack Armstrong	B-Bar-B Ranch	Business News
5:45 Fanny Brice	News	Jack Armstrong	B-Bar-B Ranch	Business News
6:00 Bob Hope	Life With Lulu	Jack Armstrong	B-Bar-B Ranch	Business News
6:15 Bob Hope	Life With Lulu	Jack Armstrong	B-Bar-B Ranch	Business News
6:30 McGee & Molly	Mediation	Jack Armstrong	B-Bar-B Ranch	Business News
6:45 McGee & Molly	It's My Belief	Jack Armstrong	B-Bar-B Ranch	Business News
7:00 Malsie	Bill the Jackpot	Counterspy	Drama of Med.	Pat O'Brien
7:15 Malsie	Bill the Jackpot	Counterspy	Sonnet of Times	Musical J'kops
7:30 Pen. are Fanny	Escape	Counterspy	Riders in Sky	Sports
7:45 Pen. are Fanny	Escape	Counterspy	Riders in Sky	Sports
8:00 Sinatra, Kiril	Low. Thomas	Defense Time	Count M. Cristo	Track 1490
8:15 News of World	Jack Smith	Defense Time	Count M. Cristo	Track 1490
8:30 Cavalcade	Mr. Mrs. North	Town Meeting	Count M. Cristo	Track 1490
8:45 Cavalcade	Mr. Mrs. North	Town Meeting	Count M. Cristo	Track 1490
9:00 Ronald Coleman	Mystery Thea.	Town Meeting	Glen Hardy	Track 1490
9:15 Ronald Coleman	Mystery Thea.	Town Meeting	Glen Hardy	Track 1490
9:30 Big Town	Club 15	We Care	Fulton Story	Holiday
9:45 Big Town	Club 15	We Care	Fulton Story	Holiday
10:00 Sam Hayes	5-Star Final	Richfield Repr.	Fulton Story	Holiday
10:15 Sport. Downer	Yoo & World	Richfield Repr.	Fulton Story	Holiday
10:30 Sports Bar	Orchestra	Richfield Repr.	Fulton Story	Holiday
10:45 Dance Orch.	Orchestra	Richfield Repr.	Fulton Story	Holiday
11:00 News	Serenade	Concert Hour	I Love Mystery	News
11:15 Wax Museum	Organ Music	Concert Hour	I Love Mystery	News
11:30 Wax Museum	Organ Music	Concert Hour	I Love Mystery	News
11:45 Wax Museum	Organ Music	Concert Hour	I Love Mystery	News
12:00 Sign Off	Silent	Xtra Hour	Sign Off	Sign Off

WEDNESDAY—6 A.M. TO 4:45 P.M.

6:00 Hodge Podge	News	Farm News	Mora. News	Music, Tim'Pr.
6:15 News	KOIN Klock	Keep Smiling	Keep Smiling	KOCO Klock
6:30 Farm Time	KOIN Klock	Keep Smiling	Keep Smiling	KOCO Klock
6:45 Farm Time	KOIN Klock	Keep Smiling	Keep Smiling	KOCO Klock
7:00 Early Bird	KOIN Klock	News	Arctusky	Bob Hanson
7:15 Old Songs	News	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes
7:30 News	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
7:45 Sam Hayes	Concert Hour	Breakfast Club	Family Alter	King's Crusade
8:00 Eddie Albert	News	Breakfast Club	Family Alter	King's Crusade
8:15 Eddie Albert	News	Breakfast Club	Family Alter	King's Crusade
8:30 Jack Bench	News	Breakfast Club	Family Alter	King's Crusade
8:45 News	News	Breakfast Club	Family Alter	King's Crusade
9:00 Second Cup	Wendy Warren	Mildred Bedell	Today's Stars	Music Memories
9:15 Second Cup	Wendy Warren	Mildred Bedell	Today's Stars	Music Memories
9:30 Sunflower	News	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes
9:45 Sunflower	News	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes
10:00 Marriage for 2	Big Sister	Glen Hardy	Gospel Hour	Concert Hour
10:15 Marriage for 2	Big Sister	Glen Hardy	Gospel Hour	Concert Hour
10:30 Marriage for 2	Big Sister	Glen Hardy	Gospel Hour	Concert Hour
10:45 Marriage for 2	Big Sister	Glen Hardy	Gospel Hour	Concert Hour
11:00 Double or Noth.	Victor Lindlahr	Ladies First	Mac's Melodies	Mac's Melodies
11:15 Double or Noth.	Victor Lindlahr	Ladies First	Mac's Melodies	Mac's Melodies
11:30 Double or Noth.	Victor Lindlahr	Ladies First	Mac's Melodies	Mac's Melodies
11:45 Double or Noth.	Victor Lindlahr	Ladies First	Mac's Melodies	Mac's Melodies
12:00 Keras News	News	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes
12:15 Road of Life	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
12:30 News	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
12:45 Happiness	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
1:00 Backstage Wife	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
1:15 Backstage Wife	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
1:30 Backstage Wife	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
1:45 Backstage Wife	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
2:00 A Girl Marries	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
2:15 A Girl Marries	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
2:30 A Girl Marries	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
2:45 A Girl Marries	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
3:00 Welcome Trav.	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
3:15 Welcome Trav.	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
3:30 Welcome Trav.	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
3:45 Welcome Trav.	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
4:00 Woman's Secret	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
4:15 Woman's Secret	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
4:30 Woman's Secret	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock
4:45 Woman's Secret	Arctusky	Bob Hanson	Top Tunes	KOCO Klock

DIAL LISTING, KOAC 550

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Tuesday A.M.—5:00. Children's Sports: 5:15. On the Beat: 5:30. 550 Sports Club: 6:00. News: 6:15. 6:30. 6:45. 7:00. 7:15. 7:30. 7:45. 8:00. 8:15. 8:30. 8:45. 9:00. 9:15. 9:30. 9:45. 10:00. 10:15. 10:30. 10:45. 11:00. 11:15. 11:30. 11:45. 12:00. 12:15. 12:30. 12:45. 1:00. 1:15. 1:30. 1:45. 2:00. 2:15. 2:30. 2:45. 3:00. 3:15. 3:30. 3:45. 4:00. 4:15. 4:30. 4:45. 5:00. 5:15. 5:30. 5:45. 6:00. 6:15. 6:30. 6:45. 7:00. 7:15. 7:30. 7:45. 8:00. 8:15. 8:30. 8:45. 9:00. 9:15. 9:30. 9:45. 10:00. 10:15. 10:30. 10:45. 11:00. 11:15. 11:30. 11:45. 12:00. 12:15. 12:30. 12:45. 1:00. 1:15. 1:30. 1:45. 2:00. 2:15. 2:30. 2:45. 3:00. 3:15. 3:30. 3:45. 4:00. 4:15. 4:30. 4:45. 5:00. 5:15. 5:30. 5:45. 6:00. 6:15. 6:30. 6:45. 7:00. 7:15. 7:30. 7:45. 8:00. 8:15. 8:30. 8:45. 9:00. 9:15. 9:30. 9:45. 10:00. 10:15. 10:30. 10:45. 11:00. 11:15. 11:30. 11:45. 12:00. 12:15. 12:30. 12:45. 1:00. 1:15. 1:30. 1:45. 2:00. 2:15. 2:30. 2:45. 3:00. 3:15. 3:30. 3:45. 4:00. 4:15. 4:30. 4:45. 5:00. 5:15. 5:30. 5:45. 6:00. 6:15. 6:30. 6:45. 7:00. 7:15. 7:30. 7:45. 8:00. 8:15. 8:30. 8:45. 9:00. 9:15. 9:30. 9:45. 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