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CHAPTER XIII

SYNOPSIS

Dave Bruce, out of a job, arrives at Wilbur Ferris' Cross-Bar ranch. Curran. Wilbur Ferris' Cross-Bar ranch. Curran, the foreman, promises him a job if he can break a horse called Black Dawn. When he succeeds, he discovers Curran expected the horse to kill him. A girl named Lois rides up, angry with Dave for breaking "her" horse. She refuses to speak to him even when he uses his savings to pay off the mortgage on the small ranch she shares with her foster father, a man named Hooker. But when Hooker is shot and Dave is charged Hooker is shot and Dave is charged with murder, Lois saves him from being lynched. Wounded, she guides him to a mountain cave where she thinks they will be safe from Curran and the sheriff's posse. A quarrel between Ferris and Judge Lonergan reveals that Ferris had killed his partner. Blane Rowland, many years before. Thoroughly scared, Ferris takes Curran into his confidence. When Dave is away from the cave, Curran kidnaps Lois. Meanwhile Dave discovers a human skeleton with a bullet hole through the skull. When he later finds Lois gone he enlists the aid of Sheriff Coggswell, who is now convinced of his innocence. They go to the cabin where they have learned Lois is being held prisoner, unaware that Ferris and held prisoner, unaware that Ferris and Curran have already brought Judge Lon-ergan there to kill him. Curran, however, double crosses Ferris and kills him instead, just as Dave and the sheriff arrive on the scene. In the fight that follows Curran escapes.

Dave dismounted again, ran to the body of Pedro, and bent down. A glance showed him that the man

was dead. He ran back to Lois.
"I want yuh to try to make yore way along the trail back to the cave," he told her. "I'm goin' after Curran, and there ain't no time to lose. If that snake gets away, there'll be no peace in the valley. no peace for you, darling. I got to go."

The night was clear, and though there was no moon Dave could see his way clearly in the light of the stars. He was descending from the last mesa to the range when suddenly he heard the sound of rid-ers. He drew rein and listened. In another moment the riders came into sight, four men riding

almost abreast. But these men wore riding breeches, or trousers tied at the knee, not chaps, and it was light enough to see that they were not waddies. 'Hold her there, feller!" shouted

one of them, as he espied Dave

Dave, sitting easily on the black, waited for the four to gallop up to him. There was no demand to elebut each of the four had his hand on his gun butt. It was the horse they recognized before the

"Black Dawn!" shouted the fore-

"Yeah, Sims, and I'm Dave Bruce," answered Dave. "The sheriff told me this alternoon he'd got four deputies ridin' around the mesa. Well, I want yuh fellers, and

I want yuh pronto."
"Not so bad as I want you,
Bruce," said Sims. "Yuh best put

'Sims, yore head seemed kind of thick to me when I saw yuh in Mescal," said Dave. "Sheriff said Dave. Coggswell and me trapped Lonergan and Curran in the shack at the end of the blind gully up there." He pointed with his right

hand toward the heights. "They'd lured Ferris there and killed him. Lonergan's in cuffs, and Curran's got away. He's ridin' hell-bent for the Cross-Bar house now, no doubt, to get his greaser gang. I'm after him.

"What the-! Lonergan? In cuffs? Yo're a slick talker, Bruce. "Maybe, but every second we stay here talkin' gives Curran a few yards more of leeway," an-

swered Dave.

"We got to git Curran, Sims," shouted one of the four. "That's what the sheriff sent us here for. Maybe this hombre's lyin', but I'm for takin' a chance he ain't."
"You'd best take that chance,

Sims," said Dave grimly.
"I'm with yuh, Bruce," said
Sims. "Takin' yuh at yore word. But I'll take yore gun."

The five turned their horses and

raced across the range. And soon the lighted bunkhouse of the Cross-Bar appeared, far out over the range. Between the house and the riders nothing was visible but the rolling grassland.

They were nearing the ranch-house now. They could see the silhouettes of men, passing and re-passing in front of the door, blot-ting out the lights as they moved. "He's there," called Dave. "He's gettin' his crowd together. We got

a fight for it-His words were cut short as a gun cracked at a distance of fifty yards. The five had been sighted, but the Mexican who had fired prematurely had extinguished Curran's

to take Curran alive. They'll make

hopes of another ambuscade. As they paused for an instant to jam in fresh cartridges, Curran's voice could be heard somewhere among the shadows, cursing his men. There came another volley.

(To Be Continued)

The county court has issued an order effective for the duration for the erection of stop signs at all grade crossing of the railroad in keeping with a petition of the Oregon Railroad Association requesting an order "requiring all drivers of vehicles to come to a complete stop before crossing a

ailroad at grade." The basis of this order issued eSptember 23 is that the emergency created by the war in movements of persons, property, war material and troops by rail has material and troops by rail has Cross home nursing course. If you among those qualified to act effectively increased on all railroads haven't anyone to leave the chiloperating in the state of Oregon.

Hindsight On Sports

By I Told You So

With football season getting again polishes off the crystal ball to date. for another season of sticking his neck out with ten prognostications

The picks for this week are, for the most part, tough ones with field. only UCLA a sure-fire cinch to win over Idaho. The choices are:

California will have a tough time getting over the Oregon State Beavers at Corvallis but will make it. A little rain could throw this one the other way. Oregon, highly underrated, will

pull a surprise at Pullman by Washington State licking the Cougars. Stanford is due for some tossing around this season, as demon-

strated by Washington State last week, and will drop this week's tilt to Santa Clara. They clash at Palo the afore-mentioned only mix to date. This is einch of UCLA over Idaho at Los

At Seattle, Southern California will get back in stride at the ey-

pense of Washington. Minnesota will get the scare of the season but will eke out victory They come to Ashland a over the stron Iowa Cadets. It's from Friday, October 9. rt Minneapolis.

Friday night games find Willamete a strong favorite over Portland, Medford's last-season reputation the only thing carrying them to a win over Grants Pass, Klamath Falls to have little trouble beating Eureka, and Lakeview's early-season experience too much for Ashland high in the Grizzlies'

Promoter Mack Lillard has decided to call off wrestling at the Medford armory for the duration. One reason is his inability to get good men, they mostly being in the army or defense work. And then, too, the draft board is keeping a watchful eye on Lillard, the call being expected shortly.

FOOTBALL SCORES-Football scores past week Marshfield 14-Medford 6

Grants Pass 6-North Bend 6 Klamath Falls 27-Redding Prineville 12-Bend 0

Phyllis Caton and Isabel Green have been elected as drum majerettes to replace those lost by up yore hands. Yuh can't shoot it graduation for the 1942 edition of the Ashland high school girls' drill team. The team, popular throughout southern Oregon for past performances at football and basketball games, will again strut their stuf for benefit of customers at AHS athletic events.

Margaret Moseley, a majorette day, last year, has been chosen head majorette to lead the processions. of Miss Grace Sculley.

FOOTBALL IN THE AIR

Football season will begin Friday night at 8 o'clock for the Ashland Grizzlies when they meet the Lakeview Honkers on the Lake County field, Coach Roland Parks says his Grizzlies are in fine condition for their first encounter and will give the Honkers a tough time of it in spite of the fact Lakewell under way, Hindsight once view has had a couple of games

Parks hadn't decided at a late time today who would get the call for the starting lineup but promised to send a strong team on the

The players are in good physical condition and are developing fast on fundamentals as well as learning their plays.

Lakeview officials have promised to have the circus elephant, lying on the field recuperating from injuries for several months, removed to the sidelines for the game.

Bob Hufman has been elected manager by the players. Medford and Grants Pass open

the Southern Oregon conference season at Medford Friday night. Medford has won one and lost one in pre-season play while Grants Pass tied with North Bend in their

Klamath Falls plays out of the eague for the third straight week when they take on Eureka at the The Pelicans, boasting coast city. one of the state's toughest teams, has won heir two games to date.



WHAT EVE TOLD Adam is told in a delightful new way by Joan Crawford in Columbia's 'They All Melyyn Douglas at the Lithia as a result of convictions in Ore Theatre. Alexander Hall directed the hilarlous new romantic comedy.

W. O. Martin made a business trip to Klamath Falls last Tues-

Mr. John Farmer and Ivan Farmer, who are employed near The team is under the direction Hilt, California, spent the week end with their families here.



SUCCESSFUL PARENTHOOD

By MRS. CATHERINE CONRAD EDWARDS Associate Editor, Parents' Magasine

FIRST AID TRAINING IMPORTANT

beginning to question the impor- can be on duty at home. tance of First Aid courses and other | One of the greatest benefits of a steps to nursing made available since the war began. Why anyone should doubt the value of having to do in an emergency or how to learned something useful, even though you may not have been called on to apply your knowledge, is difficult to see. Certainly mothers need have no such feeling of we half remember from childhood. wasted effort for even if the bombs are kept away from our homes the make you more safety conscious, so that you'll spot the pitfalls in your own home, which might otherwise equipped herself to look after the minor ailments of her own family is making a direct contribution to

winning the war. Perhaps no generation of parents has depended on professional servithe war is over since wholesale disices in supervising their children's ease has always been an accom-health so much as the mothers and paniment of war. The woman who fathers of today. This has been an enlightened policy and the superior or lend a helping hand to a sick health of today's young people proves its soundness. But it should surely as those who have replaced never have resulted in a mother's loss of ability to nurse a child at home or to keep the doctor's visits ice directly. to a minimum. Now with doctors' and nurses' time at a premium your responsibility as a home nurse cannot be shifted except in cases know what to do when human life of serious illness, so if you haven't is endangered. To achieve this already done so, take advantage of one-out-of-four status, if it is at all the many opportunities being of-fered to take a First Aid or Red families with children should be

had as yet no large-scale dren with during the day sign up war emergencies to meet some are for an evening course when Father

Another thing, your course will have been the scene of one of the dents.

There may be epidemics before is trained to nurse her own family men in factories making war materials or entered the military serv-

BY JANET CUPLER

ARMY WIVES: If you are a "new" army wife, suddenly shifted by the war into a strange world full of unfamiliar problems, you will undoubtedly welcome the news that there is an organization of women like yourself who can, and who want to, help you. The or-ganization is the Association of Army Wives, and it grew out of a series of lectures presented last winter in the Fourth Corps Area. Membership in the Association is open to the wives of all army men. active or retired, and there is no membership fee. Applications for membership (giving your husband's name and rank) should be addressed to the Association of Army Wives, 1428 East 57th Street, Chi-cago, Illinois.

NAVY YARD: Another "For Men Only" barrier has fallen with a significant crash . . For the first time in 141 years girls are being trained for men's jobs in Brooklyn Navy yard.

'DELIGHTED': Commenting on the new opportunities offered wom-en by the U. S. army air corps, Jacqueline Cochrane said she is 'delighted that the more than 3,000 women pilots in America are going to have an opportunity to prove their competence to serve in their chosen field in the war" of that simple statement lies the story of Miss Cochrane's ceaseless efforts to gain just that opportunity for American women. A few months ago, before the Air Trans-port command organized its wom-en's auxiliary (WAFS), Miss Cochrane took a group of American women to England, where they have been doing fine work as ferry pilots. Now Miss Cochrane has been appointed director of women's flying training within the U. S. army air forces.

SUNNY SIDE UP: Women of the unoccupied French town of Canne are permitted by a recent decree to wear shorts (banned by the armistice of 1940) on the street . . . A release from the Office of War Internation reveals that meat rationing is nothing to be alarmed about.

Mest people will be permitted to have just about as much as the average amount they have had duraverage amount they have had dur-ing the past 10 years and very little less than they had last year.

DRIVER'S LICENSES-

Nearly a thousand Oregon driv ers lost their driver's licenses Kissed the Bride," which co-stars through suspension or revocation gon or out-of-state courts during the first eight months of the year, Earl Snell, secretary of state, disclosed today. The actual number

Of the total, 861 were revocations and 735 of these were for convictions for driving while under the influence of intoxicating liquor. Revocation of the driver's

license is mandatory in such cases. During the month of August, 119 licenses were revoked and 166 were suspended. One license was cancelled due to misrepresentation of age in the application and another was cancelled due to misrepresentation of facts in the application.

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