

SHOW BOAT GIRL

By ROBERTA COURTLAND

Chapter 23

Off To The Races

RANDY'S hand closed hard about her and he said huskily. "Another minute and I'll either kiss you right here in the street, or else I'll burst into tears on your shoulder—take your choice! Or will you let me buy you the nice kitty?" He jerked a thumb at the beautiful fur scarf.

"We'll buy the nice kitty, o' course! Thank you, dearest," said Melissa her voice shaken a little though she tried to laugh as he held the door open for her.

The salesman who came forward had been watching them through the window and said eagerly. "The red fox would be magnificent on Madame—she has exactly the coloring to show it off."

Randy studied her curiously though his eyes were dancing. "Come to think of it, she is the red fox type, isn't she?" he agreed politely.

"Oh, definitely, sir. Silver fox for blondes and red fox for auburn-haired girls," said the salesman eagerly, and brought the lovely skin from the window, laying it almost reverently about Melissa's slim shoulders.

The effect was devastating. Randy assured Melissa solemnly. "Instantly the green wool frock that had been trim and becoming became a costume; the fox scarf lent it an additional elegance and beauty that enchanted Melissa. Until she heard the salesman say to Randy's question, "Only two hundred and twenty-five dollars, sir. It has been two hundred and seventy-nine fifty, but it's a bit late in the season."

"Oh, but, Randy," she stammered, appalled.

Randy looked at her hard, and the subsided guiltily.

She saw him take a plump billfold from his pocket, and out of it came three one hundred dollar bills, leaving plenty behind. The salesman looked at the bills curiously as he hurried away for change.

Randy said grimly, "I'm about to march you into the best jewelry shop in town for the express purpose of selecting an engagement ring and a wedding ring. The choice is with you—the time is for me to worry about. And so help me, if you so much as say 'peep' about it, I'll turn you down across my knee with the business end of a slipper in my good right hand! Heck, gal, don't you know anything about spending money?"

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On the Radio Chains

STATIONS:

Chain affiliation and where they are on the dial:

KALE (MBS) 1330, Portland
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KGA (NBC-Blue & MBS) 1510
Spokane; KGO (NBC-Blue) 810
San Francisco; KGW (NBC-Red) 620, Portland; KJR (NBC-Hits) 1090, Seattle; KXN (CBS) 1070
Los Angeles; KOA (NBC-Red) 830
Denver; KOIN (CBS) 970, Portland; KOMO (NBC-Red) 850
Seattle; KPO (NBC-Red) 680
San Francisco; KSL (CBS) 1160
Salt Lake City.

Time shown is PST

Friday

8:00 p. m.—Flying Patrol, KGO, KJR; Stars of Today, KGW; Don Winslow of the Navy, KPO; Kate Smith Hour, KSL; Ed Stoker's Music, KOMO.

9:30 p. m.—Bill Sabransky, KOMO; Children's Playhouse, KGW; Leon F. Drews, KOIN; News of the World, KEX, KGO, KJR; Harry W. Flannery, KXN.

10:00 p. m.—Waltz Time, KPO; KOMO, KGW; Paul Carson, KEX; What's On Your Mind, KXN, KOIN; KSL; Voice of Victory, KGO; On With the Dance, KJR.

10:30 p. m.—March of Time, KEX, KGO, KJR; Plantation Party, KPO, KGW, KOMO; First Nighter, KXN, KSL, KOIN.

11:00 p. m.—Ella Maxwell's Party

Line, KGO, KEX, KJR; Glenn Miller's Orch., KSL, KXN, KOIN; Capt. Plagg and Sgt. Quirt, KPO, KOMO, KGW.

7:30 p. m.—Bob Hawk, KXN, KSL, KOIN; Grand Central Station, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Meet Your Navy, KGO; Golden Gate Quartet, KEX.

8:00 p. m.—Fred Waring, KPO, KOMO, KGW; Herbert Marshall, KGO, KEX, KJR; Amos 'n' Andy, KXN, KSL, KOIN.

8:15 p. m.—Lanny Ross, KXN, KSL, KOIN; Lum and Abner, KPO, KGW, KOMO.

8:30 p. m.—Who Done It, KPO, KOW, KOMO; Gang Busters, KGO, KEX, KJR; Playhouse, KXN, KOIN, KSL.

9:00 p. m.—News, KGO, KEX; Kate Smith Hour, KXN, KOIN; Meet Your Navy, KJR; Sports, KSL.

9:30 p. m.—Claude Thornhill's Orch., KGO; Dark Fantasy, KGW; News, KSL, KJR; Moonlight Sonata, KEX; Studio Party, KOMO; Floyd Wright, KPO.

10:00 p. m.—Hollywood Legion Stadium Fights, KGO; Reporter News, KPO, KGW, KOMO; News, KXN; Masterworks of Music, KSL; On With the Dance, KEX; Shining Hour, KJR; Five Star Final, KOIN.

10:30 p. m.—Stadium Fights, KGO; Unlimited Horizons, KOMO; Broadway Bandwagon, KEX; Moonlight Sonata, KGW; Northwest Bible Institute, KJR; War Time Women, KOIN.

11:00 p. m.—Dance Orch., KPO, KGW; This Moving World, KEX.

Gene Grounds, KOIN; News, KXN; Folk Music, KJR; Reveries, KOMO.

Saturday

8:00 p. m.—Ran Wilde's Orch., KGO, KEX; Sketch Henderson, KPO, KOMO, KGW; Sports Story, KXN, KSL, KOIN.

8:30 p. m.—Ed Stoker's Music, KGW, KOMO; Swap Night, KGO, KEX, KJR; News Review, KXN; News, KOIN; This World, KPO; Popular Strings, KSL.

9:00 p. m.—Your Hit Parade, KSL; Toscanini Treasury Concert, KGO, KEX; Look Who's Here, KXN, KOIN; Barn Dance, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Studio Party, KJR.

9:30 p. m.—Toscanini Treasury Concert, KJR; This World, KGO; Here's the Story, KXN; Leon Drews, KOIN.

10:00 p. m.—Sports Newsreel, KPO, KOMO, KGW; Tune Out Time, KGO, KEX, KJR.

10:30 p. m.—Grand Ole Opry, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Voices in the Night, KXN; Red Ryder, KGO, KJR, KEX; Air Pio, KOIN.

11:00 p. m.—Robert Ripley, KGO, KJR, KEX; Truth or Consequences, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Guy Lombardo's Orch., KXN, KOIN, KSL.

11:30 p. m.—Able's Irish Rose, KPO, KOMO, KGW; Green Hornet, KGO, KJR, KEX; Hobby Lobby, KXN, KOIN, KSL.

12:00 p. m.—News, KGW, KOMO; Tommy Tucker's Orch., KGO, KEX, KJR; Your Hit Parade, KXN, KOIN; Toast to America's Allies, KPO.

TRIM IDAHO WPA

Boise, April 3.—(AP)—Idaho's work projects quota for April has been trimmed to 4,400 workers, State Administrator Dean W. Miller said today. Some projects will be closed. Present employment totals 5,700.

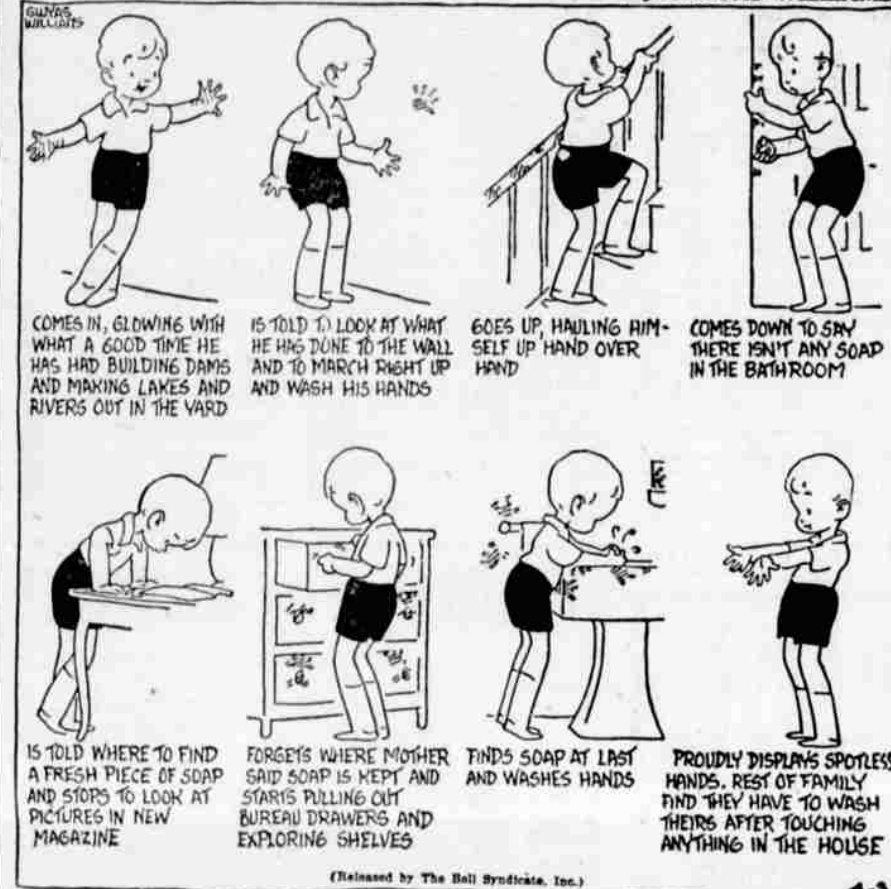
Washington, April 3.—(AP)—The office of price administration declared formally today that price ceilings on scrap metals would not be increased and that "there will be no profit in hoarding."

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HAP HOPPER, Washington Correspondent

Lost At Sea

THE NATION'S NEWSPAPER PRESSES ROLL AS ONE... CARRYING HAP HOPPER'S STORY AS OFFICIALLY RELEASED BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT!

MISSING NEWSPAPER MAN, HAP HOPPER, RETURNS TO EXPOSE GOEBBELS' TRICK... OH, BOY!

GET THIS, BETSY... THE SECRETARY OF AVIATION WAS FLYING TO TRINIDAD ON A GOVERNMENT MISSION, WHEN HE SPOTTED SOME GERMAN U-BOATS

GO ON, NORMA... I CAN'T SWALLY MY SAN' WICH!

WINGATE TRUE STORY

LIL ABNER—Yokum's False Step!

DINSMORE!! DINSMORE!!!

THE TWO YOUTHFULLY DRESSED WOMAN SAID INSTANTLY AND SMOOTHLY. "Oh, I'm so sorry, Mr. Hendricks—I thought you were alone. We're rather a large party—I'm afraid there wouldn't be room for Miss Marlowe. What a shame! Perhaps some other time."

She drew the others away with her, and over her shoulder there floated words that she obviously made no effort to conceal from watching Randy and Melissa. "A professional gambler might be very amusing, but his female associates—I my dear one simply must draw the line somewhere!"

Miss Marlowe, seeing Randy's face, slid her hand through his arm.

To be continued

THE NEBBS—Looking Her Ova

KEEP SAYING 1-2-3 WHILE I LISTEN TO YOUR BREATHING

1-2-3 1-2-3 1-2-3

DON'T STOP—I'M NOT FINISHED YET

TEE-HEE! IT SOUNDS SO SILLY—CAN'T I SAY '4-5-6' FOR A CHANGE?

YOU CAN COME IN NOW, MR. NEBB

HOW IS SHE, DR. LACKNER? I'LL DO ANYTHING IN THE WORLD TO PULL HER THROUGH—TELL ME THE WORST

IT'D LIKE TO HELP IF YOU'D LET ME

SHE HAS A MILD CASE OF BRONCHITIS AND A SLIGHT TOUCH OF FLU... A FEW DAYS' REST ON HER BACK WILL PUT HER ON HER FEET

YOU SEE, FANNY? NO NEED TO GET EXCITED—I TOLD YOU IT WAS NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT!

STRANGE AS IT SEEMS

by JOHN HIX

The PLANT WITH A HUNDRED STOMACHS! THE BLADDER-WORT, A FRESH WATER PLANT HAVING HUNDREDS OF "BLADDERS" TO KEEP IT AFLOAT, AND USED ALSO TO CATCH TINY CREATURES WHICH ENTER THE HOLLOW FLOATS AND ARE "EATEN"!!

CONCRETE CAN BE TESTED FOR WEARING QUALITIES BY THE MUSICAL SOUND IT MAKES WHEN STRUCK!!

PROPERLY MIXED CONCRETE PRODUCES A CLEAR MIDDLE C...

"I WAS SICK AND YE VISITED ME..." Matt. 25:36

FOR OVER 40 YEARS JULIUS LOWENBEIN, ASHEVILLE, N.C., HAS VISITED FROM 100 TO 250 SICK PERSONS EACH SUNDAY... MORE THAN 250,000 VISITS!

GOOD SAMARITAN

Every Sunday for 40 years Julius Lowenbein, the "Ambassador to the Sick," has been visiting shut-ins. It all began when he was a young man, ill in a strange land, and saw only the doctors and nurses who came to attend him. He decided that when he recovered he would see to it that no sick person would want for cheerful companionship. He often rode a trolley to the end of the line and trudged on foot for miles to visit some out-of-the-way sanitarium. In prosperous years he had his own car and chauffeur.

TOMORROW—PENNY FROM THE SEA!

Edited by Drew Pearson and Bob Allen

"A HUGE FORM ROSE FROM THE SEA, ALONGSIDE! IT WAS THE SUB!"

YOU ARE THE COMMANDER? MY NAME IS THEODORE WINGATE. I AM...

THE AMERICAN SECRETARY OF AVIATION! YOU ARE MOST WELCOME, SIR!

"THEY FLEW LOW TO INVESTIGATE... TOO LOW! ONE WING CAUGHT A WAVE... THEY CRASHED!"

SOB! AH LEFT HIM—FO' U—JEST A MINUTE—T' PICK UP A W-WEDDIN' BOUQUET—AN' WHUT HAPPENS—SOB!! HE PICKS UP A BLONDE!

AH! HE ALLUS WORSHIPPED HAN'SOME BOYS—AN' NOW—SOB!! TH' HAN'SOMEST BOY IN TH' WORLD DONE B-BROKE MAH HEART!!—FUM NOW ON-TH' HAN'SOMER THEY IS—TH' M-MEANER AH'LL BE TO 'EM!!

THAT'S DAISY MAE—SOBBIN' AGIN'—AH'LL PAY A LIL' ATTENSUN T' HER AN' MAKE HER HAPPY!

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EX-CONVERT GETS LIFE FOR SLAYING 3 FARMERS

Pontiac, Mich., April 3.—(AP)—Dominick Piccone, 20-year-old ex-convict who killed three Michigan farmers in a wild

24-hour murderous rampage, was sentenced to life imprisonment at hard labor and solitary confinement in circuit court here today.

Michigan law provides no more severe punishment.

DEDUCTS

Washington, April 3.—(AP)—Treasury experts expressed the unofficial opinion today that factories and other businesses could deduct blackout or bomb shelters expenses in computing their income tax. But, house-holders could not.

• SHOP AT NIGHT

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