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Sunday

5:00 p. m.—Song Shop Romance, KGO; Hello, Americans, KSL, KOIN, KNX; Edgar Bergen, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Christian Science Prgm., KEX; Gospel Clinic, KJR.

5:30 p. m.—Stars from the Blue, KGO, KEX, KJR; William Winter, KNX, KOIN, KSL; One Man's Family, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Portland School of Music, KOIN.

6:00 p. m.—Manhattan Merry-Go-Round, KPO, KOMO, KGW; Radio Reader's Digest, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Show of Yesterday and Today, KGO, KJR, KEX.

6:30 p. m.—American Album of Familiar Music, KPO, KOMO, KGW; Fred Allen, KNX, KXL, KOIN; Inner Sanctum Mystery, KGO, KJR, KEX.

7:00 p. m.—Hour of Charm, KPO, KOMO, KGW; Goodwill Hour, KGO, KEX, KJR; Take It or Leave It, KNX, KOIN, KSL.

7:30 p. m.—Report to the Nation, KOIN, KSL; Walter Winchell, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Inglewood Park Concert, KNX.

8:00 p. m.—Crime Doctor, KNX, KOIN; Great Gildersleeve, KOMO, KGW, KPO; Earl Godwin, KGO, KEX, KJR; News, KSL.

8:15 p. m.—Jimmie Fidler, KGO, KEX, KJR; Church and Present Day Problems, KSL.

8:30 p. m.—Quiz Kids, KGO, KEX, KJR; Gene Krupa's Orch., KNX; Unlimited Horizons, KGW, KOMO; People's Payroll Party, KOIN; Art Linkletter, KPO.

9:00 p. m.—Freddy Martin's Orch., KGO, KJR, KEX; William Winter, KNX, KOIN; Everybody's Music, KOMO; String Ensemble, KSL.

9:30 p. m.—Dorothy Thompson Comments, KGO, KJR, KEX; We Believe, KOMO; On Temple Square, KSL.

10:00 p. m.—Reporter News, KPO, KGW, KOMO; University Explorer, KGO, KEX, KJR; News, KNX, KOIN; Echoes of the Opera, KSL.

10:30 p. m.—When Evening Comes, KOMO, KGW; What's It All About, KNX, KOIN; Quiet Hour, KEX; Gospel Hour, KJR; Unlimited Horizons, KPO.

11:00 p. m.—Melodies for Uncle Sam, KGO, KEX, KJR; Manny Strand's Orch., KOIN; George Olsen's Orch., KPO, KGW; News, KNX.

Monday

5:00 p. m.—Refresh Your Memory, KPO; Vox Pop, KSL; Don Winslow of the Navy, KGO, KEX, KJR; Stars of Today, KGW; Army Recruiting Prgm., KOIN; Curtain Calls, KOIN; Transitunes, KOMO.

5:30 p. m.—Jack Armstrong, KGO, KJR, KEX; Voice, KGW, KPO, KOMO; Harry W. Flannery, KNX, KOIN.

6:00 p. m.—Radio Theatre, KNX, KOIN; Counter Spy, KGO, KEX; Eyes Aloft, KPO, KOMO, KGW; You Can't Do Business with Hitler, KJR.

6:30 p. m.—Victory Parade of Spotlight Bands, KGO, KJR, KEX; Melodic Potpourri, KGW; Salon Serenade, KOMO; Deep Melody, KPO.

7:00 p. m.—Raymond Gram Swing, KGO, KJR, KEX; Screen Guild Play, KNX, KOIN, KSL; Contented Hour, KPO, KOMO, KGW.

7:30 p. m.—Blondie, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Furlough Fun, KPO, KGW, KOMO.

8:00 p. m.—Amos 'n' Andy, KNX, KOIN, KSL; Fred Waring in Victory Tunetime, KPO, KOMO, KGW; Earl Godwin, KGO, KJR, KEX.

8:15 p. m.—Lum and Abner, KGO, KEX, KJR; Ceiling Unlimited, KSL, KNX, KOIN; News, KOMO, KGW; Music for a Nickel, KPO.

8:30 p. m.—Cavalcade of America, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Gay Nineties Revue, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Major Hoople, KGO, KEX; Greater Washington Hour, KJR.

9:00 p. m.—Telephone Hour, KPO, KGW, KOMO; True or False, KGO, KJR; Down Memory Lane, KEX; Quiz Court, KNX; Leon F. Drews, KOIN; Studio Players, KSL.

9:30 p. m.—Vox Pop, KNX, KOIN; Hawthorne House, KPO, KGW, KOMO; News, KSL, KJR, KEX, KPO.

10:00 p. m.—University Explorer, KGO, KJR; Reporter News, KPO, KGW, KOMO; News, KNX; Five Star Final, KOIN; Masterworks of Music, KSL.

10:30 p. m.—Henderson - LaVere, KGO, KJR; Sports, KNX, KSL; Broadway Bandwagon, KEX; The World Today, KOIN.

11:00 p. m.—Matty Malneck's Orch., KOIN; Music and Moonlight, KPO; This Moving World, KEX; News, KGO, KNX; Home Town News, KGW; Folk Music, KJR; Reveries, KOMO.

TWO PUC HEARINGS HERE DECEMBER 9

The Public Utilities Commission has announced two public hearings in the county courthouse December 9, both of them dealing with applications for permits authorizing operations as common motor carriers.

Mabel Herndon seeks a permit to operate a common motor carrier of property between Medford and Butte Falls via Eagle Point, according to a press release from the P. U. C. The public hearing has been set for 2 p. m., December 9.

The Rogue Valley Transit seeks to acquire by transfer a permit authorizing operating rights and privileges held by Rogue Valley Transit company, a corporation, between Ashland and Grants Pass and Camp White, over various routes. The hearing will be held at 11 a. m., December 9.

Stockholders of Rogue Valley Transit and Rogue Valley Transit company include Frank M. Gritsch, Glenn L. Jackson, A. L. Schneider, George M. Roberts and Frank P. Farrell. A spokesman explained that a purpose of the hearing was to change the "corporate setup" of the two concerns.

Marrying Justice Now Uses Wrench

San Diego, Cal., Dec. 5—(U.P.)—Yuma's "original" marrying justice, Earl C. Freeman, has traded his gavel for a wrench. Today he is a mechanic—building bombers at the huge Consolidated plant here.

While justice of the peace at Yuma, Arizona's matrimonial springboard, Judge Freeman performed marriages for many famous screen stars. Among them were Billie Dove, Loretta Young, Gloria Swanson, Jean Harlow, Tom Mix, Mary Astor, Jeanette MacDonald, Charles Boyer, Richard Dix and Claudette Colbert.

Closing time for Classified ads 9 a. m.—To late to Classify 12:30 p. m.

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Loris Raymond has come to New York with dreams of achieving fame as a pianist but, after several months, has failed even to get a job and is in desperate financial straits. Carey Carson, who came to the city with ambitions of becoming an architect, has also failed to make any headway and is badly in need of a job. They both frequent the Pinnacle Employment Agency, and, in their many meetings there, have become good friends. One morning, when Loris arrives at the agency, she learns that Carey has been summoned into the office of the manager, Mr. Murphy—a sign that he may be about to get a job. A few minutes later, he comes rushing out into the waiting room, drags Loris into the hall, and asks her to marry him. When she gasps in astonishment, he says he'll take her to lunch and explain.

CHAPTER II

CAREY took Loris to a cafeteria across the street from the agency. When they had filled their trays, they found a table back in a corner.

Loris stared at him. "Do you mean to tell me you asked me to marry you just so you could get a job?"

"I'm not going to let you pay for my lunch," said Loris. "We are both up against it and—"

"Don't argue," Carey cut in. "If you'll marry me, we won't be up against it any more—not for the summer, anyway."

"*Will* you stop talking in riddles!"

"Okay!" Carey unloaded their trays, pulled out Loris' chair for her, then sat down himself. "It's like this. Mr. Murphy has a swell job for a young couple, and he wants us to have it. Only—well, the couple must be married."

Loris stared at him. "Do you mean to tell me you asked me to marry you just so you could get a job?"

"So *both* of us could get a job," said Carey. Then, when he saw that Loris was bristling, he said hastily. "It's not so awful. Folks often get married for convenience, and so—"

"And so you think *I'd* do it," Loris broke in. "Well, I won't."

"I reckon it is the first time in history that a girl ever got proposed to in an employment agency," said Carey. "But these are strange times, Loris, and we have to learn to adapt ourselves to them."

"First a phony proposal, and now a lecture."

Carey leaned across the small table. "Look—it's a chance for you to earn money this summer, so's to go on with your efforts to do something big in music. And it's a chance for me to hold out a little longer for an architectural job."

LORIS' face suddenly softened. "All right, Carey. Forgive me for flying off the handle. But you'll have to admit that your proposal wasn't very flattering."

"Sure it wasn't, but I was so excited I never thought how it would sound to you. I'm sorry. You see, Mr. Murphy has taken quite a shine to us—and he hates to see two worthy young people so up against it. That's why he suggested that we marry."

"Well, for goodness sake," Loris exclaimed. "It's getting worse and worse! I thought it was *your* idea."

"I agreed quickly enough when Mr. Murphy told me what he had up his sleeve."

"What *was* up his sleeve—a marriage license?"

Carey grinned. "It all began with Mr. Roland Potter."

"Who's Mr. Roland Potter?"

"He's one of those eccentric old codgers. He's a bachelor, positively rolling in money. He has a beautiful place on Long Island, and his hobby is canaries and goldfish."

"But what has all that got to do with us?" Loris demanded.

"I'm coming to that."

"By way of the North Pole, apparently!"

"Mr. Potter is going off on a long cruise," Carey explained. "And he wants someone to live on his place while he's gone—preferably people who appreciate nice surroundings, who like birds and fish and flowers, and who'll treat his belongings as they'd treat their own. That's where you and I come in.

"He wants a nice young married couple to enjoy the place, a couple who are more or less up against it. I gather he has philanthropic leanings, but wants to help people in as inoffensive a manner as possible, so's not to hurt their feelings by making them feel he's giving them charity."

"IN OTHER words, it's his way of giving a nice young couple a summer on Long Island. Is that it?"

"Yes. He's heard a lot about what a hard time young couples are having nowadays, and he wants to help."

"A sort of summertime Santa Claus!"

Carey laughed. "Moreover, there is a salary attached."

"Not really?"

"And a generous one, too. Mr. Murphy says he hasn't a single couple he would dare to recommend but us—and that the job would be ours in a minute if we were man and wife. Then he said 'By Jove, why don't you two get married?' And so I rushed out of his office and—and proposed."

Loris shook her head slowly. "It doesn't sound real. It doesn't make sense."

"What of it?" Carey retorted. "When a chance like this is handed you, you don't stop to talk about whether or not it's sensible. You just grab it." He took one of Loris' hands, searched her lovely, troubled face. "I know you don't love me, but—"

"And you don't love me, either," said Loris. Then she caught herself quickly. "But love's not in it, anyway—so we can forget that entirely."

"Right!" said Carey, with what Loris felt was too much feeling. "With starvation staring you in the face and a good job held out to you, you can afford to forget sentiment."

Loris frowned. "Do you honestly think we can get away with such a thing, Carey? Suppose Mr. Potter finds out we got married just to get the job?"

"He won't. Mr. Murphy won't tell him. It'll all be very simple. A license, and then a minister. We might even be married down at City Hall—one of those civil marriages."

"Yes, I know," said Loris. "Down where they turn out married couples like canned peas." Then, serious, she said, "What do we do after the summer is over, and we are again jobless? It'll take all we've saved to get a divorce."

"We'll cross that bridge when we come to it," said Carey. "Mr. Murphy's waiting for us to come in and tell him our decision. All we have to do is marry, and give him some information about our family backgrounds. It seems that Mr. Potter is a stickler for family trees."

"I've got some ironclad proof that my folks settled in Virginia way back in 1635, and *that's* one hundred and forty years before the signing of the Declaration of Independence."

"Swell! My North Carolina background is pretty solid, too." Carey pushed back his chair. "Let's go talk to Mr. Murphy right now!"

LORIS got to her feet. She felt uneasy. She had always had a lot of old-fashioned ideas about marriage, ideas that were all mixed up with organ music, orange blossoms, bridal veils, and bouquet tossing. Oh, well, as Carey had said, they were living in strange times. And she supposed she would have to do strange things if she was to keep her head above water.

They went out and walked back to the agency. This time, however, when they reached the stairs, Loris forgot to count the steps.

In the upper hall, she touched Carey's arm. "We'll call it our 'let's-pretend-marriage.' I think that's a grand name for it."

"Yes," said Carey, "it is."

However, as he looked down into Loris' deep blue eyes, he suddenly found himself thinking how wonderful it would be if he and she were in love, and the coming wedding was what a wedding really ought to be.

He looked at his watch. "Time's flying," he said—all business now and no sentiment. "Mr. Potter wants to get away as soon as he can—so we've got to make every minute count. Ready?"

"Ready!" said Loris.

Carey took her hand, squeezed it gently. "You're a good little sport Loris." Then he reached out for the doorknob. "Here goes! Here's where the let's pretending begins!"

(To be continued)

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California Guard Million In Debt

Sacramento, Dec. 5—(U.P.)—The State Guard, State Defense Council and Bureau of War Minerals Production are in need of overhauling by the 1943 legislature, Legislative Auditor Rolland Vandegrift asserted today before the joint legislative budget committee.

He charged that the State Guard, which today asked an increase of $26,783,834 for support during the 1943-45 biennium, had $1,000,000 or more in outstanding claims "that they don't know what to do about."

EARLY VICTORY GOAL URGED BY NAVY AIDE

New York, Dec. 5—(U.P.)—James V. Forrestal, undersecretary of the navy, told the War Congress of American Industry today that as the nation neared the end of the first year of war it should rededicate itself to "the earliest possible victory" and "establish some machinery" when peace comes to prevent the rise again of "world anarchists like Hitler."

Use Mail Tribune Want ads.

ACKNOWLEDGES SUPPORT — While more than 100,000 Brazilians showed approval of government's declaration of war on Axis, in streets of Rio de Janeiro, President Getulio Vargas smiles and waves from balcony of Catete Palace.

STRANGE AS IT SEEMS *by JOHN HIX*

JAP NAVY

As early as 1938 the Japs, through the Mito clan, obtained the necessary information from a Dutchman and built the first ship on a foreign model ever constructed in Japan. In 1855, the King of Holland presented a steam corvette to the Japs and immediately afterward a naval school was established with Dutch naval officers as instructors.

LATE DOCUMENTS

The stolen document was returned by Dr. Dallas Lay of Tigard, Ore., and was dated 1778! Dr. D. C. Crittenden, to whom the paper was given, believes there are many more such documents in existence.

Crossword Puzzle

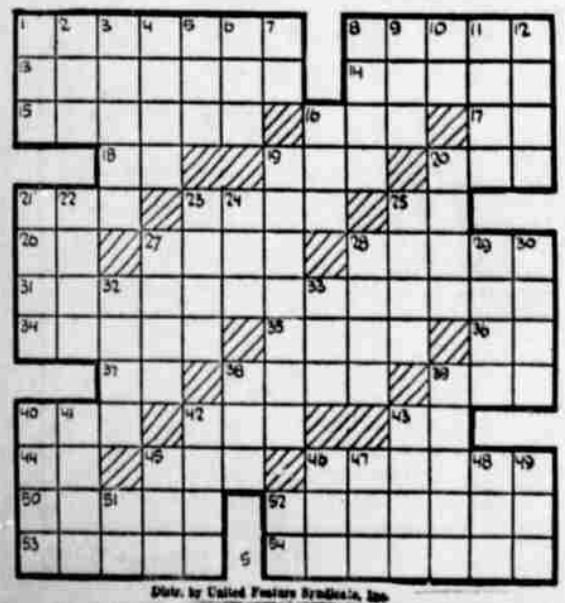
ACROSS

1—Transporting
9—Diner
13—Small areas
14—Breathe noisily in sleep
15—Turns back
16—Finale
17—Within
18—Load (abbr.)
19—Land measure
20—Depressed
21—Some
23—Large rodent
25—Toward
26—Sun god
27—Medicinal plant
28—Proverb
31—Serene
34—Layer of skin
35—Over full
36—Comparative ending
37—Part of "to be"
38—Drive headfirst
39—Ruler of Algiers
40—Kind of hat
42—Possesses
43—Effect
44—Mystic Hindu word
45—Electrified particle
48—Swap
50—Medical tablets
52—Trust
53—Roman official
54—Passed away

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

DOWN

1—Even
2—Mineral earth
3—Retort
4—Drove nail slantingly
5—Entire
6—Type of military weapon
7—Plural ending
8—Anglo-Saxon serf
9—Conjunction
10—In direction of
11—Silk worm
12—Rip
16—Rather than
19—Spring flower
20—Plunge knife into
21—Dry
22—Designation
23—Wife of Zeus
24—Craft
25—First man
27—Borders
28—Incite
29—Mirth
30—Weird
32—Precise
33—Soak, as flax
38—Prohibit
39—Shows great affection
40—Drink heavily
41—Among
43—Stockings
44—Fall in drops
45—Sick
46—Supreme Babylonian god
47—Wing-like part
48—Wife of No. 25 down
49—A relief
51—Chinese weight
52—Exists



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BAR ASSN. TO AID WORRIED SOLDIERS

Chicago, Dec. 5—(U.P.)—George M. Morris, Washington, D. C., president of the American Bar association, said today that clinics, at which soldiers can obtain answers to their minor legal problems, will be set up at all army posts under a plan now being worked out with the adjutant general's office.

Morris told an Illinois Bar association meeting that the clinics will be manned by officers stationed at the camps who are also lawyers.

"If a real legal opinion or litigation is in prospect," Morris said, "an interview is arranged for the soldier with a member of the bar association war work committee.

"At the interview the civilian lawyer takes the case "for better or for worse' as he would any other matter."

Washington, Dec. 5—(U.P.)—Word was received today of the death in a flight over Scotland of Pilot Officer Ladislas Ciechanowski, 19, son of the Polish ambassador to the United States, Jan Ciechanowski.

THE WORLD AT ITS WORST by GLUYAS WILLIAMS

HAP HOPPER, Washington Correspondent—Important Caller Edited by Drew Pearson and Bob Allen

LI'L ABNER—The Finishing Touches! By Al Capp

LI'L ABNER—From Out of the West By Hess