SUSAN OF THE WAVES

by ALLEN EPPES

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When Susan Esterbrook, New York glamour girl, decides to join the Waves, it's bad news to two young men who want to marry her—Dick Craig, an old friend who has a Washington war job, and Pierre Dupre, a Fighting Frenchman. However, she has no intention of marrying either of them, for she has fallen in love with Harvey Rogers, a playwright who has become an Army flyer in the Ferry Command. When Harvey proposes, she promises to wait for him until after the war. After he goes away, she goes to a Wave training center in New England. Several weeks later, when he comes back to New York on leave, she gets a furlough in order to see him. Meanwhile, Pierre is being hounded by a group of Nazi agents who have threatened harm to his relatives in France unless he maneuvers Susan into showing him through her father's war plant on Long Island. However, she has no time to give to Pierre. On the first day of her furlough, she and Harvey form a foursome with another Wave and her fiance.

CHAPTER XXIV

IT WAS close to six o'clock when the two couples separated.

When Harvey and Susan were alone, he asked, "Where do we go from here?"

"Home," Susan told him. "I thought we'd have a quiet dinner with Mother."

"Fine," said Harvey. "Only the two of you are going out with me to some uncrowded place in the neighborhood. Okay?"

"I'd love it," said Susan. "So would Mother."

"Thinks she likes me a little?"

"Of course she does. So does Dad."

"That," said Harvey, "just about makes things perfect."

They had dinner at a small tea room just off Madison Avenue. Afterwards, Susan and Harvey went to a show. And still later, they strolled up Fifth Avenue.

It was late when they reached home.

"What do we do tomorrow?" asked Harvey.

"Let's not make any plans," said Susan. "Let's just wait and see. Knowing that I shall awaken with the knowledge that you're under the same roof with me is enough for the moment."

"I wish," said Harvey, "that you had a longer furlough."

"So do I," said Susan. "But I'm due back for Monday morning reveille."

Harvey slipped his arm about her as they climbed the stairs.

"I think," he said, "that I'll run upstate and see an aunt and uncle. They look upon me as a sort of son. In fact, they brought me up."

"I would," said Susan. "It will make them very happy."

"I'll investigate train schedules tomorrow," Harvey went on, "and maybe we can take the same train."

"Do that!" said Susan. "It'll be fun traveling together."

At the head of the stairs, Harvey took Susan in his arms and held her close.

"Until tomorrow, heart of mine," he said.

"Until tomorrow," said Susan.

THE next day, Harvey found that he would be able to take the same train with Susan—that is, as far as Albany.

"I'll have to change there," he told her, "and take a short-haul train. But we'll have several hours together."

"Wonderful," said Susan. "After that—well, perhaps I'd better not think about it. Have you gotten any orders yet for your next trip?"

"Nothing definite. But I've an idea it will be the Atlantic this time—maybe to London."

"One thing certain," said Susan, "you are seeing the world. What a lot of stories you'll be able to tell your grandchildren!"

"Yes," said Harvey. "And now, what shall we do during the few hours left before we take our train."

"Let's take a long bus ride," said Susan. "It's a perfect day for it."

SOON afterward, they were riding up Fifth Avenue on the upper deck of a bus.

"I wish," said Harvey, "that you had time to visit my aunt and uncle with me."

"So do I," said Susan.

"They'd love you," Harvey went on. "They have always been a bit disappointed over not having any children of their own. They'd be tickled pink to have a daughter like you."

"But they're fortunate they have you," Susan said.

"I'm afraid I haven't been much comfort to them. Rushing off to New York to set the world on fire, instead of staying on their farm."

"But they understood, didn't they?"

"In a way, yes. I'm inclined to think, however, that they considered my writing ambitions just a sort of passing fancy. They say they're going to leave me the farm, so I may end up running it after all." Harvey looked at Susan. "How would you like living on a farm?"

"I'd love it."

"Sure you wouldn't mind it? You wouldn't find it lonely?"

"It wouldn't be lonely," Susan said, "if you were around."

Harvey pulled her hand through his arm. "I wonder what I've ever done to deserve a girl like you."

"I feel the same way about you. I mean I wonder what *I've* done to make the Fates bring you into my life."

"If I didn't think it might make you conspicuous," Harvey said softly, "I'd kiss you right now, on top of the bus."

Susan laughed. "I'd much rather you kissed me on the mouth."

And Harvey did.

THEY rode all the way up to Fort Tryon Park. There, they went into the museum.

Finally, Susan looked at the time. "Darling, we must be getting back. I told Mother we'd spend the last hour or so of my furlough with her. Do you mind?"

"Of course not!" said Harvey. "I've grown very fond of that mother of yours."

"She's grown fond of you, too," Susan told him. "She's even stopped telling me I ought to marry Dick."

"The guy down in Washington?"

"Yes."

Susan smiled. "Maybe it's partly because of some gossip she's heard."

"About Dick?"

"Yes. Seems someone Mother knows saw Dick and a slim little blonde dining together, and looking very much 'that way' about each other."

"You look sort of pleased about it," Harvey observed.

"I am pleased," said Susan. "I'm fond of Dick, but I hope he does fall in love with someone else. I've a sneaking idea propinquity had a lot to do with his thinking he loved me—that it was a sort of habit."

"Well, if it was a habit," said Harvey, "I'm glad he's getting over it."

He caught Susan's hand and held it tightly.

(To be continued)

(The characters in this serial are fictitious)

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TRAVELING SHOW ON CARE OF TEETH TO VISIT SCHOOLS

Elementary school children in Jackson county will have opportunity of seeing a colorful visual educational show demonstrating the importance of care of the teeth and good nutrition. The dental educational project is touring selected elementary schools of the state.

Dr. A. Erin Merkel, director of the Jackson County Health Unit, announces that the show is made available through the dental division of the Oregon State Board of Health and shown in Jackson county through sponsorship of the Jackson County Public Health association.

The Jackson county schedule is:

Oct. 28, Central Point, Howard, Griffin Creek.

Oct. 29, Jacksonville, Oakgrove, Lone Pine.

Nov. 1, Ashland, Teachers' college, Lincoln and Washington schools.

Nov. 2, St. Mary's Academy, Phoenix and Talent.

Nov. 3, Gold Hill and Rogue River.

Many smaller county schools will be unable to have the program because of lack of facilities and transportation problems.

The show comes direct from Chicago where it ran last year. Maurice Lenser, of the Good Teeth Council, presents the forty-minute program in an instructive and entertaining manner, and uses an entirely new medium for impressing upon children the importance of caring for the teeth.

"We are grateful to the local schools and civic organizations helping us in our program of control of dental disease," said Dr. Floyd H. DeCamp, director of the dental program for the Oregon State Board of Health. Dr. DeCamp also predicted that: "A long range educational program for the public, based on the importance of early dental care for the young child and good nutrition during the first years of life, will do much to reduce the prevalence of dental disease, which is one of the major health problems of youth and old age alike. The number of draftees rejected for military service in the first year of the present war was alarmingly high. Such an educational program as we have adopted in the state should improve conditions in the years to come."

Talent Methodist Rally Day Sunday

Talent, Oct. 27—Annual Rally Day of the Talent Methodist Sunday school will be held Sunday, Oct. 31. Inspirational singing and special accordion music will be included on the program, with children and adults participating. Gifts will be given to the youngest and oldest persons present, and to the largest family present. Sunday school begins at 10:35, immediately following the church service.

Biggest Potatoes Sought for Idaho

Boise, Ida., Oct. 27—(U.P.)—A call for the "biggest Idaho potatoes in existence" was put out today by Gov. C. A. Bottolfsen to pay off his debt to Gov. Dwight Griswold of Nebraska.

Bottolfsen had accepted Griswold's wager of a pig against Idaho potatoes Nebraska would beat Idaho in the recent Third War Loan drive. Idaho lost.

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

On the Radio Chains

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Chain affiliation and where they are on the dial:

KALE (MBS) 183c, Portland; KEX (NBC-Blue) 1190, Portland; KOA (NBC-Blue & MBS) 1510, Spokane; KGO (NBC-Blue) 810, San Francisco; KGW (NBC-Red) 620, Portland; KJR (NBC-Blue) 1000, Seattle; KNX (CBS) 1070, Los Angeles; KOA (NBC-Red) 850, Denver; KOIN (CBS) 970, Portland; KOMO (NBC-Red) 950, Seattle; KPO (NBC-Red) 680, San Francisco; KSL (CBS) 1160, Salt Lake City.

Time Shown Is PWT

Wednesday

5:00 p. m.—Voice of a Nation, KOA; Terry and the Pirates, KGO, KEX, KJR; Everybody's Inn, KSL; News, KPO, KOMO; Personality Hour, KGW; Beryl Wallace, KNX; Heathman Concert, KOIN.

5:30 p m.—Dr. Christian, KSL; Jack Armstrong, KGO, KEX, KJR; Harry W. Flannery, news, KNX, KOIN; Theater Reporter, KOA; Stories of the Day, KOMO; Musical Journal, KPO.

6:00 p. m.—Mayor of the Town, KSL; Fitch Bandwagon, KGO, KEX, KJR; Time to Smile With Eddie Cantor, KPO, KOA, KGW, KOMO; Winner Take All, KOIN; Inglewood Park Concert, KNX.

6:30 p. m.—Mr. District Attorney, KPO, KOA, KGW, KOMO; Jack Carson Show, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Victory Parade of Spotlight Bands, KGO, KJR.

7:00 p. m.—Kay Kiser's program, KPO, KOA, KOMO, KGW; Raymond Gram Swing, KGO, KEX, KJR; Great Moments in Music, KSL, KNX, KOIN.

7:30 p. m.—Cresta Blanca Carnival, KNX; Organ Reveries, KEX; Music in the Air, KGO; Timber, KOIN; Symphonettes, KSL.

8:00 p. m.—Roy Porter, news, KGO, KEX, KJR; I Love a Mystery, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Fred Waring in Victory Tune Time, KPO, KGW, KOMO.

8:30 p m.—Beat the Band, KPO, KOA, KGW; Dr. Christian, KNX, KOIN; Battle of the Sexes, KGO, KEX, KJR; Dramas From the Living Bible, KSL.

9:00 p. m.—Dance Orch., KGO, KEX, KJR; Mr and Mrs. North, KPO, KOMO, KOA; Everybody's Inn, KNX, KOIN; Studio Klock, KOIN; Your Hymns and Mine, KSL.

9:30 p. m.—Scramby Amby, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Mayor of the Town, KNX; News, KSL, KEX, KJR, KOA; Dance Orch., KGO; Northwest Neighbors, KOIN.

10:00 p. m.—Reporter News, KPO, KGW, KOMO; News, KNX, KOA, KOIN; Music for Romance, KGO; Covenant Home Hour, KJR; Masterworks of Music, KSL.

10:30 p. m.—Dance Orch., KOIN; National Radio Forum, KJR; H. V. Kaltenborn, news, KOMO, KPO; Broadway Band Wagon, KEX; Nite Club, KGO; Gardening for Food, KGW; Suspense, KNX.

11:00 p. m.—Dance Orch., KPO, KGW, KOIN; This Moving World, KEX; News, KNX, KOMO, KGO; Folk Music, KJR.

Thursday

5:00 p. m.—Maxwell House Coffee Time, KOA; Terry and the Pirates, KGO, KJR, KEX; News, KPO, KOMO; Personality Hour, KGW; Beryl Wallace, KNX; Stop, Look and Listen, KOIN; Musicale, KSL.

5:30 p. m.—Death Valley Days, KSL; Aldrich Family, KOA; Jack Armstrong, KGO, KEX, KJR; Harry W. Flannery, news, KNX, KOIN; Day Foster, KGW; Stories of the Day, KOMO; Musical Journal, KPO.

6:00 p. m.—Major Bowes' Amateur Hour, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Kraft Music Hall, KPO, KOA, KGW, KOMO.

6:30 p. m.—Arkansas Traveler, KPO, KOMO, KOA, KGW; Victory Parade of Spotlight Bands, KGO, KEX, KJR; Dinah Shore, KNX, KSL, KOIN.

7:00 p. m.—Raymond Gram Swing, news, KGO, KJR, KEX; Abbott and Costello, KPO, KOA; The First Line, KNX, KSL, KOIN.

7:30 p m.—Red Ryder, KGO, KEX, KJR; March of Time, KPO, KOA, KGW, KOMO; Wallace Sterling, KNX; A Victory Corsage, KSL.

8:00 p. m.—Fred Waring in Victory Tune Time, KPO, KOA, KGW, KOMO; Roy Porter, news, KGO, KEX, KJR; I Love a Mystery, KNX, KSL, KOIN.

8:30 p. m.—Death Valley Days, KNX, KOIN; Gertrude Lawrence's Guest House, KGO, KEX, KJR; Maxwell House Coffee Time, KPO, KGW, KOMO; News, KSL.

9:00 p. m.—The Roma Show, KNX; News, KSL; Wings to Victory, KGO, KEX; Aldrich Family, KPO, KGW, KOMO; Air Raid Wardens' Program, KJR; For You, KOIN.

9:30 p. m.—These Are Americans, KNX; Ellery Queen, KPO, KGW, KOMO; News, KSL, KEX, KJR, KOA; Mayor of the Town, KOIN.

10:00 p. m.—Reporter News, KPO, KGW, KOMO; America's Town Meeting of the Air, KJR, KEX; News, KNX, KOA, KOIN; Music for Romance, KGO; Masterworks of Music, KSL.

10:30 p. m.—Dance Orch., KOIN, KGW, KOMO; Nite Club, KGO; Songs Overseas, KNX; Sweetheart Swing Time, KPO.

11:00 p. m.—Organ music, KGW; This Moving World, KEX, KJR; Dance Orch., KOIN; News, KGO, KNX, KOMO.

Grangeville, Ida., Oct. 27—(U.P.)—Cecil Casper, 42-year-old Caldwell hunter who had been missing since October 16, was found dead late yesterday less than half a mile from where his party had camped at the head of Gedney Creek. Death was due to a bullet wound.

PLEIADES GROUP BEDECKS SKY OF INDIAN SUMMER

By J. Hugh Pruett

Astronomer, General Extension, University of Oregon.

"Many a night I saw the Pleiads
Rising through the mellow shade,
Glitter like a swarm of fireflies
Tangled in a silver braid."

As the last of an Indian summer twilight fades into the October night, there faintly glows over the eastern horizon a tiny luminous cloud. A distant mystery surrounds this nebulous patch of light. Closer attention shows it to be a compact cluster of little stars, arranged in the form of a very small dipper.

Known to the most ancient writers, this group, the Pleiades (Plee-ya-deez), has been an inspiration through all ages. An ancient Hebrew writer asked, "Canst thou bind the sweet influence of the Pleiades . . . ? Wrote Milton, "Dawn and the Pleiades before him danced shedding sweet influence."

Sisters In Mythology

References to these stars are found in the writings of the ancient Greeks, Romans, Chinese, and Hindus. In mythology the Pleiades were seven sisters. Jupiter changed them into doves and allowed them to fly away to the heavens where they have since remained.

When looked at indirectly the Pleiades give far more light than can be accounted for by the few naked-eye stars making up the group. The explanation is clear when only slight optical aid is employed. These brighter stars are seen entangled among numerous fainter ones, many just below unaided-eye visibility.

Field glasses — even opera glasses — give very charming views of this beautiful group. When just high enough to clear the horizon-haze, they truly become a "twinkling starry host," unexcelled by any other group in the sky.

Some See Seven

Good eyes can often detect seven Pleiades, yet only six are seen by most observers. It is said that so excellent was the vision of Professor William Pickering of Harvard that he could count 13. Dr. Lowell of Flagstaff said he could see 16. It will be recalled that these two astronomers announced seeing finer telescopic details on the surface of Mars than is possible through the eyes of most telescope users.

The Pleiades is a group of stars, actually—as they seem to be—in the same general locality out in the depths of space, and are not simply lined up from our point of observation. Lick observatory assigns them a distance so great that the light which reaches us from them tonight started on its almost inconceivably long journey 500 years ago.

Dust and Gas Haze

Long-time photographic exposures on the Pleiades show some of the brighter stars so engulfed in nebulosity that they become lost in this haze. It is now thought that this is dust and gas in the neighborhood of the stars which in itself is nonluminous. Spectroscopic analysis shows it is lighted by the neighboring stars.

Rather early in the evening look for the shining sisters somewhat north of east. Each succeeding night they rise four minutes earlier.

PRIVATE KILLED ON MANEUVER AREA RANGE

Fourth Corps Headquarters, Oregon Maneuver Area, Oct. 27—(U.P.)—Pvt. John L. Boyd, 19, of Dequincy, La., was accidentally killed Saturday when struck by a bullet on the transition firing range, officers said today. Boyd was a member of an engineer training battalion.

READING ALOUD — By GLUYAS WILLIAMS

PRESSURE VATICAN FOR EASIER PEACE

Lisbon, Oct. 27 —(U.P.)— German forces in Rome are trying to put pressure on the Vatican to help arrange a negotiated peace that would circumvent the Anglo-American demand for unconditional surrender and spare Axis leaders from punishment for their war crimes, a well-informed neutral source said today.

The German envoy to the Vatican, this source said, broached the subject at a recent visit with Pope Pius XII, suggesting that the pontiff use his position to sound out the American and British governments.

Further Gas Cuts "Up to Motorists"

Sacramento, Oct. 27 —(U.P.)— Gilbert McNeil, district mileage rationing representative of the Office of Price Administration, said today it was "up to the motorists" whether there would be further cuts in gasoline coupon value in the near future.

He said that since a 30 per cent reduction in the west coast gas quota Oct 11 many motorists have been prompted by rumors of further cuts to make runs on gasoline stations.

Use Mail Tribune Want Ads.

STRANGE AS IT SEEMS by JOHN HIX

Crossword Puzzle

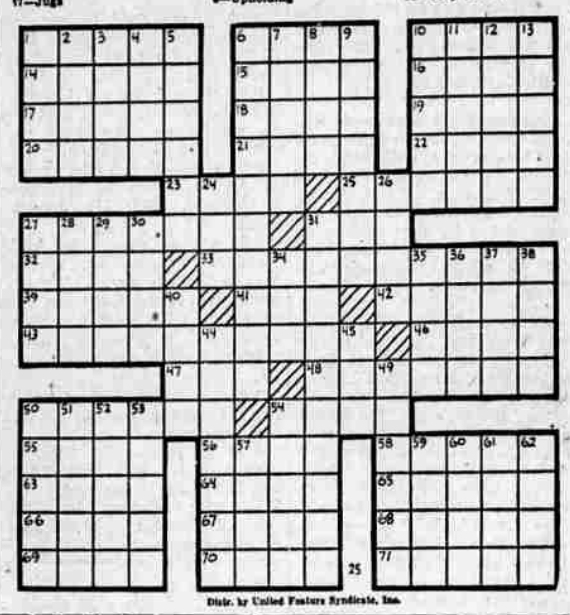
ACROSS

1—Pert. to Pope
6—Wasps
10—Fondles
14—Smell
15—Single thing
16—Pert. to an ode
17—Trades
18—Man's nickname
19—Local position
20—Incline
21—Tutor
23—Dash
24—Greek seaport
25—Father or mother
27—Roomer
31—Italian title of respect
32—Soothe
33—Exquisitely
39—Markets
41—Charged particle
42—Goodby (Sp.)
43—Destroyed
46—Instead
47—Hen fruit
48—Thinner
50—Angry flow of words
54—Long tooth
55—Country in Near East
56—Metal peg
58—Protective garment
63—Come to earth
64—Sandy shore (Eng.)
65—Loop of rope
66—Border
67—Jugs
68—Girl's toys
69—Realizes
70—Man's name
71—Apportion

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

DOWN

1—Go by
2—Russian inland sea
3—Italian seaport
4—Last word of prayer
5—Endured
6—Upholding
7—Unusual persons (slang)
8—Grab with teeth
9—High-spirited horse
10—Affected person
11—Roman official
12—Gigantic
13—Smell
24—Born
26—Region
27—Girl's nickname
28—Island attacked by Japs
29—Soaking wet
30—Twilled fabric
31—French colonial troops
34—Fiery
35—British colony in Arabia
36—Merry song
37—Misplace
38—Belgian river
40—Snow vehicle
44—Thing to be done
45—Fifth son of Jacob
49—British colony in East Africa
50—Baked pieces of clay
51—Sultan's decree
53—Grazing area
53—Mountains in South America
54—Leplanders
57—Pert. to aircraft
59—Body of water
60—Hot bread
61—Norwegian capital
62—Cozy retreat



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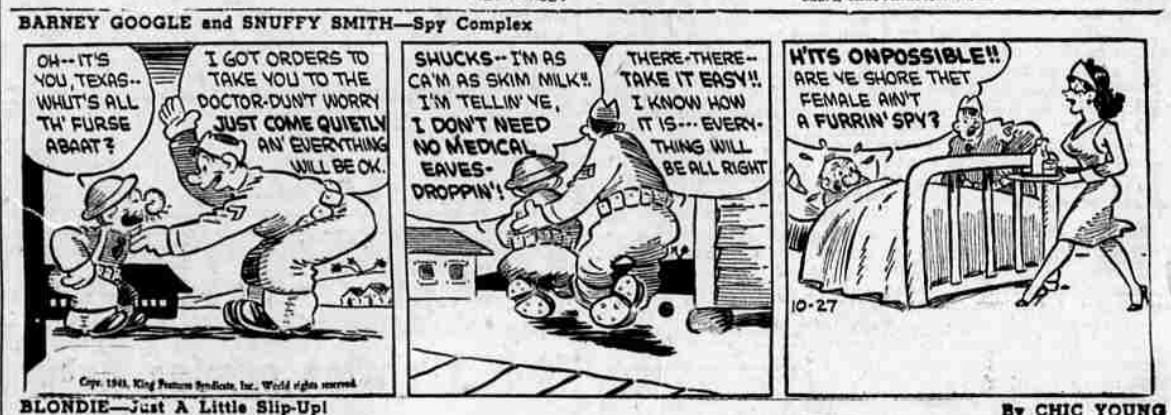

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LI'L ABNER—Just a Kiss in the Dark!! By AL CAPP

THE NEBBS—Dead Heat By HESS