SUSAN OF THE WAVES

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Just before Susan Esterbrook, New York glamour girl, joins the Waves and goes to a New England training center, she becomes informally engaged to Harvey Rogers, Army flyer. At the training center she makes friends with Louise Larsen, a girl who's engaged to a Coast Guardsman named Pete. Another of Susan's suitors is Pierre Dupre, a Fighting Frenchman. He has been threatened by a group of Nazi agents—Carl Cooper, his friend Hermann, and a woman known as Madame Lecouvreur — who have told him that, unless he gets Susan to show him through her father's Long Island war plant, harm will come to his relatives in France. Unknown to Pierre, the agents plan to have him wreck the factory with explosives inserted in fountain pens. He has agreed to ask Susan to take him to the factory when she comes home, but he's secretly scheming to trap the Nazis. When Susan, having completed her training, returns to New York with Louise, she's surprised to find Harvey at the station to meet her, for she thought he was in Texas. Pete, too, is on hand to meet Louise.

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SUSAN, forgetting her parents for the moment, ran forward to be enfolded in Harvey's arms, while Louise flung herself into Pete's arms.

Then Mr. Esterbrook tapped Harvey on the shoulder. "Mind if I get a chance at my daughter now?"

Harvey laughed as he released Susan. "I'm sorry, sir."

Susan's father kissed her, then passed her on to her mother.

"Oh, my dear!" said Mrs. Esterbrook. "How good to have you back again. I'm sorry your father and I couldn't get up to see the finish, but there were so many things to do, and—"

"Forget it, Mother," Susan interrupted. "It was strictly a military affair, and probably would have bored you."

"I'll bet it didn't bore *you*," said her father.

"I should say not," said Susan. "I was all filled up inside. You know, taking the oath, marching out of the training center a full-fledged ensign, coming home to you and mother, and—"

"And to me," said Harvey.

"Yes, *you*," said Susan, reaching out to take his hand. "Where do we go from here?"

"Home," said Mrs. Esterbrook. "For a real homecoming meal."

"The fatted calf?" asked Susan.

"No," said her father. "But your mother's done a lot of figgering with her point-rationing book, so's to have the things you especially like."

Susan gave her mother a little hug. "Bless you, darling!"

Mr. Esterbrook said, "Come on, let's pile in a taxicab and go home. I'm hungry."

"Just a moment," Susan said. "I want to speak to Louise."

SHE and Harvey joined Louise and Pete.

"We'll all have to get together for at least one evening," said Susan. "Only everything's so uncertain. I hate to ask it, Harvey, but how long's your leave?"

"Ten days," said Harvey. "But I've got to go up to see the folks for part of the time."

"I've only a week-end, as usual," said Pete glumly.

Louise squeezed his arm. "We'll make that one to remember."

Susan said, "We'll get in touch with each other as soon as we get our breath."

"Right!" said Louise. "So long, folks! Pete's taking me somewhere where we can be alone."

When Susan and Harvey got back to Susan's parents, Mr. Esterbrook said, "Suppose you two follow your mother and me in another taxi. We'll hurry home and see that everything's ready for you."

"You won't mind?" Susan asked her mother.

"Of course, not," Mrs. Esterbrook answered. "You two won't have a lot of time to be alone together, so trot along."

Susan and Harvey watched her parents go, and then they found a taxicab for themselves.

"LISTEN, honey," said Harvey as they rode away from the station, "could you manage to run up to the farm with me and meet my aunt and uncle? I've told them so much about you, and—well, as I told you before, they look on me as a sort of son."

"I'd love to, Harvey," Susan said. "But I can't say for sure. Orders, you know, and I do have to spend some time with Mother and Dad."

"Sure you do," said Harvey. "But keep it in mind. I'd love to take you by the hand and wander with you all over the farm."

Susan closed her eyes for a moment. "Harvey, do you suppose the time will come when our generation can really make its dreams come true?"

"Of course, I do, darling. You aren't doubting, are you?"

"It's hard not to doubt sometimes," said Susan. "But our side's *got* to win." She sat up straight. "We can't let our way of living be destroyed."

"You bet we can't!" said Harvey. "Even if our own personal dreams have to wait a little while until the four freedoms are made secure for always."

"Oh, Harvey," Susan said, "you are such a comfort."

She sighed and leaned comfortably against him.

AT the same time that the Esterbrooks and Harvey Rogers were sitting down to lunch in the Esterbrook residence, Carl, Hermann and Madame Lecouvreur were sitting down to a meal in Madame's apartment. Only the lunch they were about to eat had come from a delicatessen.

"So she arrived?" Hermann said.

"She did," said Carl. "And was met by a couple of older people—her parents, no doubt — and a young flier. There was another Wave with her. And a Coast Guardsman met *her?*"

"What of Pierre?"

"I did not see him."

Hermann frowned. "He should have been there."

Madame shrugged. "Perhaps he did not wish to compete with the flyer."

"Always the romantic one," Hermann said, with a sneer. He again spoke to Carl. "This Pierre—he has not run away, has he?"

"He had not done so last night," Carl replied. "I saw him then."

"Good. Get in touch with him right away, and—"

Before Hermann could finish, the doorbell rang.

The three stiffened.

"Who could *that* be?" Carl asked. "Are you expecting anyone, Marie?"

"No."

She went to the speaking tube. "Who is there?" she asked.

"Pierre Dupre," came the reply.

"Ah," she sighed. "Come right up, my friend."

She pressed a button, and turned back to the two men.

"The Frenchman is on his way up," she said.

Carl and Hermann exchanged quick glances.

"I wonder," said Carl, "what brings him here."

(To be continued)
(The characters in this serial are fictitious)
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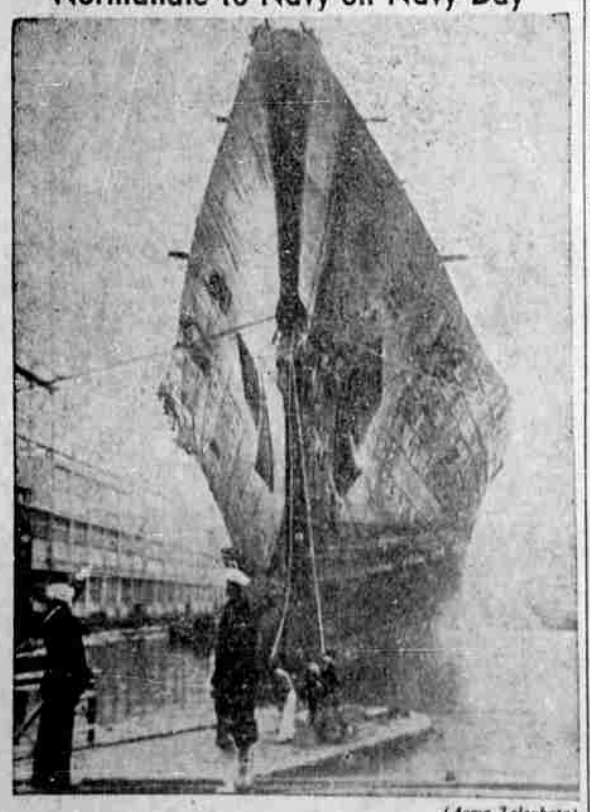
HAMBURGER TO COST MORE RATION POINTS

Washington, Nov. 3 —(U.P.)— The Office of Price Administration today ordered the ration value for hamburger increased from seven points to eight points a pound. The order is effective immediately.

The all-time record for long distance driving in golf is 445 yards, made by E. C. Bliss of England.

Normandie to Navy on Navy Day



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A four and a half million dollar salvage job completed, the former luxury liner Normandie, once more on an even keel, is shown as she was turned over to the U. S. Navy on Navy Day. The vessel burned and capsized in New York Harbor Feb. 9, 1942, but she'll soon be moved to drydock where a fifteen million dollar refitting will restore her as the U. S. S. Lafayette.

On the Radio Chains

STATIONS:

Chain affiliation and where they are on the dial:

KALE (MBS) 1330, Portland. KEX (NBC-Blue) 1190, Portland. KGA (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; Galen Drake, KOIN; Everybody's Inn, KSL; News, KOMO, KPO; Golden Gate Quartet, KGW; Beryl Wallace, KNX.

5:30 p. m.—Dr. Christian, KSL; Jack Armstrong, KGO, KEX, KJR; Harry W. Flannery, news, KNX, KOIN; Day Foster, commentator, KGW; 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, KPO, KOA, KGW, KOMO; Dorothy Allen and Milton Charles, 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, KEX, KJR.

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

7:30 p. m.—Cresta Blanca Carnival, KNX; Wings Over the World, KJR; Organ Reveries, KEX; People Are News, 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, KOA, KOMO.

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

9:00 p. m.—Dance Orch., KGO, KEX, KJR; Mr. and Mrs. North, KPO, KGW, 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; Ten o'Clock Wire, KNX, KOIN; Music for Romance, KGO; Covenant Home Hour, KJR; Nwa, KOA; Masterworks of Music, KSL.

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

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

Thursday

5:00 p. m.—Maxwell House Coffee Time, KOA; Terry and the Pirats, KGO, KJR, KEX; Galen Drake, KOIN; News, KPO, KOMO; Golden Gate Quartet, KGW; Beryl Wallace, KNX; Music by Warrington, 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, commentator, KGW; Stories of the Day, KOMO; Musical Journal, KPO.

6:00 p. m.—Three Romeos, KEX, KJR; Major Bowes' Amateur Hour, KNX, KSL, KOIN; Kraft Music Hall, KPO, KOA, KOMO; News, KGO.

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, KGO, KJR, KEX; Abbott and Costella, KPO, KGW, KOMO; The First Line, KNX, KSL, KOIN.

7:30 p. m.—Red Ryder, KGO, KNX, KJR; March of Time, KPO, KOA, KOMO; California, Carry On, KNX, KOIN; 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; Maxwell House Coffee Time, KPO, KOMO, KGW; News, KSL; Hollywood Theater, KOA.

9:00 p. m.—The Roma Show, KNX; Wings to Victory, KGO; Aldrich Family, KPO, KGW, KOMO; News, KOA; Oregon's Own, KEX; Air Raid Warden's Program, KJR; For You, KOIN; Soldiers of the Press, KSL.

9:30 p. m.—Chats About Dogs, KNX; Ellery Queen, KPO, KGW, KOMO; News, KSL, KEX, KJR, KOA; Dance Orch., KGO.

10:00 p. m.—Reporter News, KPO KGW, KOMO; America's Town Meeting of the Air, KJR, KEX; Ten o'Clock Wire, KNX, KOIN; Music for Romance, KGO; News, KOA; 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.—Remember With Floretta, KGW; This Moving World, KEX, KJR; Dance Orch., KOIN; News, KGO, KNX, KOMO.

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

90TH ANNIVERSARY OF BAUSCH, LOMB OPTICAL COMPANY

Today is the 90th anniversary of founding of Bausch & Lomb Optical company, with whom the Riggs Optical company of this city is affiliated, and marking the production of the three millionth pound of optical glass since Pearl Harbor.

The ceremony was attended by Dr. Arthur L. Day, former director of the geophysical laboratory of the Carnegie Institutions; Dr. Fred Wright and William Bausch. These men were responsible for successful production of this essential war material in the First World War.

Formerly a foreign monopoly, the lack of a domestic supply seriously threatened the safety of the county. The accuracy of rangefinding, fire control and long distance observation instruments depends upon use of this highly specialized glass.

With the knowledge acquired during World War I, the company was able to step up production at once so that the greater requirements for World War II could be met immediately. During the first war the company produced a total of 45,000 pounds.

One of the first fourteen companies to receive the Army-Navy "E," Bausch & Lomb now has four stars, showing that production has been successful and continuous.

Olive Barber's Observations

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Excerpts from a letter written to me by a young man in service: "Maybe it's this 'war' business, but I didn't know the world was so full full of two-timing wives until lately. I've been here quite a while and know quite a few people. Any night at the night clubs I see women I know are married being escorted by men who are not their husbands. Oh, I see married men with women who are not their wives but for every one of the latter, I see five of the former.

"Every service man is more or less a 'free'one. Do the women figure that since he's in no position to tell on them, they can have their escapades and no one will be the wiser? I don't know how women's minds work. Yet I think it a sad state of affairs and will cost much in happiness. Will not only ruin the lives of those involved but will make the families of each unhappy. Women are getting cheap in the eyes of an awful lot of us."

I would like to tell this lad a few things but hesitate because he has enough to face without being made the object of a sermon. But were I not so restrained, I might write him as follows: "Dear Boy: You just go to the wrong places and with the wrong crowds. Of course I do not get around as you do, but I could name many wives of service men who are as true and loyal as the most conventional husband could wish. I know girls who work so hard through the day, by night the last thing they want is to prowl about night clubs in search of biologic excitement. I've seen frivolous little girls changed into responsibility-bearing young matrons through marriage and this war. Just because you associate with the riffraff minority gives you no right to lump off all womanhood as two-timers and double crossers.

"And it may be that a girl who you assume takes her marriage vows so lightly, is looking at you and saying 'How do I know he's not married? How do I know my own young husband is not posing as single and free? Maybe this very night he's doing exactly as you are.' And then to bolster her pride, she makes her gesture of defiance and does the things for which you condemn her. You just go to the wrong places, my lad. Water seeks its own level, you know."

But this would be preaching. So no doubt when I answer I'll just say isn't it awful and then ask him if the army feeds him well. So easy to speak of the needs of the body; so hard to speak of the spirit.

The first Atlantic cable was laid in 1855.

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SUPERVISOR SOUGHT FOR MERIT SYSTEM

Portland—Announcement of a competitive examination for the position of merit system supervisor was made today by the merit system council of the state public welfare commission. The merit system supervisor has responsibility for the administration of the merit system for the Oregon state and county public welfare committions.

The entrance salary is $200 per month with a maximum of $300.

Application forms may be secured by writing to Professor William Griffith, 701 Spalding Building, Portland, Oregon. Closing date for the receipt of applications is November 24, 1943.

Boards and men, similar to those used in checkers of today, have been found in tombs of Pharohs buried about 16 B. C.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

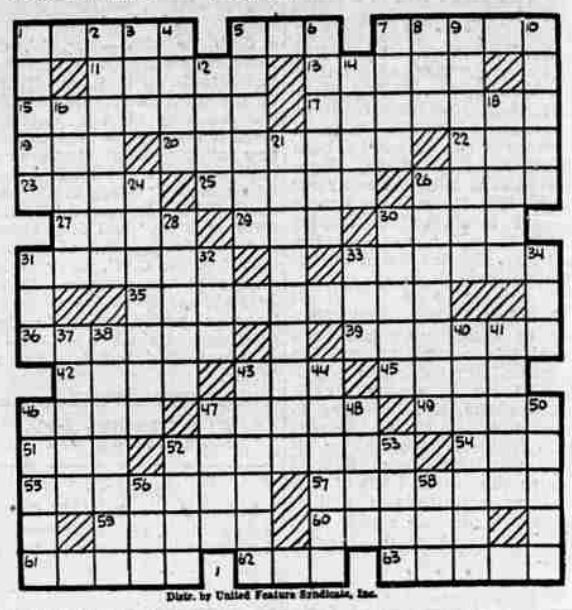
1—Counterweights
5—Title of respect
7—Nuisances
11—Put out
12—Notoriety
13—Cover of airplane motor
17—Conclude debate
19—Supplement
20—Blond person
22—Insect
23—Neat
25—Overgrown with wild plants
26—Biblical character
27—Baking chamber
29—English river
30—Tug
31—Lacking rich blood
33—Woods
35—Enthrall
36—A number
39—Relating to a geologic period
43—Has (poet.)
44—Strike
45—Garbage
46—Root food
47—Detests
49—God of love
51—Shade tree
53—Device for preventing waste
54—Girl's name
55—City in Washington

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

57—Small root
58—French city
60—Lawful
61—Inquired
62—Glimpse
63—Breaks

DOWN

1—Belief
2—Get
3—Night before
4—Scum
5—Fretted
6—Go back
7—Walk heavily
8—Take food
9—Stubs of grain stalks
10—Refined iron
12—Sluice-gate (Prov. Eng.)
14—Earth used in pottery
16—City in Ohio
18—Staggers
21—Plate on gunstock
24—Souvenir
26—Corona of sun
28—Last inning of ball game
30—Examines closely
31—Small inlet
32—Weep
33—Enjoyment
34—A number
37—Huge animal
38—Notch calf's ear
40—Large ape
41—Part of ode
42—Large black birds
44—Glistening
46—Hard seed coat
47—Healthy
48—Blackthorn
50—Satisfies
52—Kind of poker game
53—Uncut timbers
56—Part of foot
58—Cure leather



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STRANGE AS IT SEEMS by JOHN HIX

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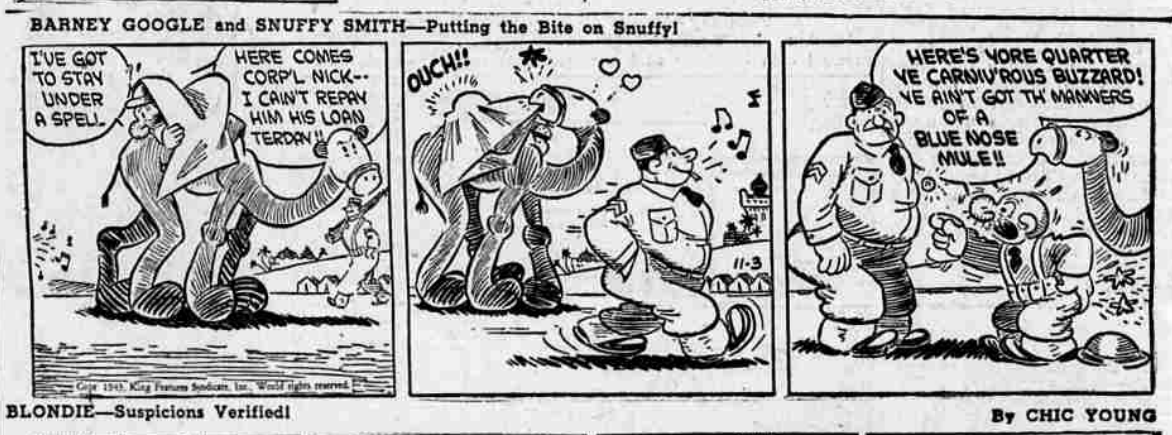
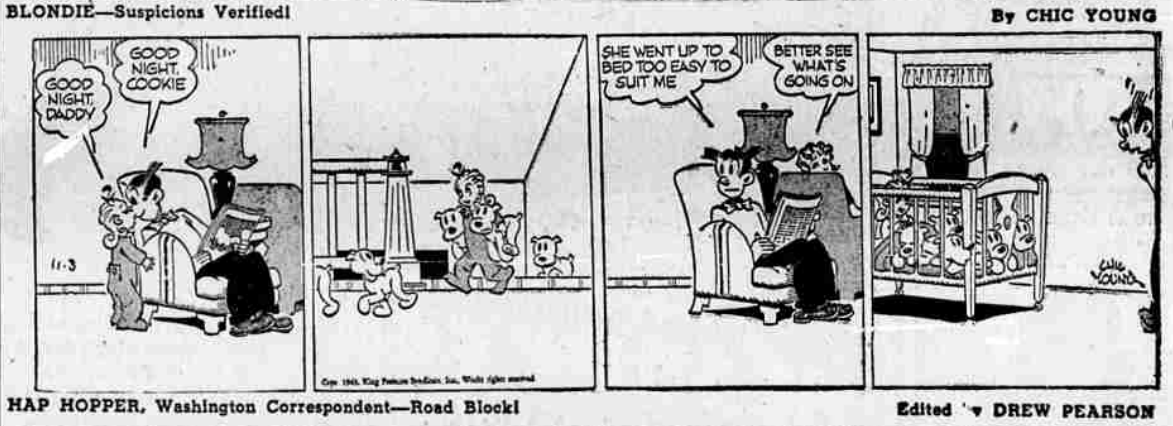


BLONDIE—Suspicions Verified! By CHIC YOUNG



HAP HOPPER, Washington Correspondent—Road Block! Edited by DREW PEARSON

LI'L ABNER—He Can't Lose By AL CAPP

THE NEBBS—Her Own Show By HESS

LAP TROUBLE By GLUYAS WILLIAMS