

Top Press Agent Now Has Granddaughter, Six Feet in Height, Worked Into Act

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New York—(U.P.)—Jim Moran, the man who brought derring-do to the press agent business, now has his granddaughter in the act.

The granddaughter, now two years old, is about six feet tall. She's making her stage debut tonight in a Broadway musical. She eats half a pound of No. 2 gravel a day and is fond of whole corn, raw green vegetables, fruits, and ten-penny nails.

Record Besmudged
The record is dim and besmudged in places, but as near as conscientious historians can make out, Moran is the only human being in the history of the race to become grandfather to an ostrich.

Moran, lest we forget and how can we when he keeps reminding us, is the man who found a needle in a haystack and sold a refrigerator to an Eskimo, to name but two of his giant didos. And those of you who remember 1946 will recall that Moran sketched that year to history by sitting himself on an ostrich egg for 23 days.

Hatched Ostrich Egg
And on the 23rd day it hatched. The offspring thus begot was named Ossip. Moran undertook the feat for science—to see whether there's enough heat in the average human male hatching apparatus to hatch an average ostrich egg. He proved there is.

He resents the implication, which gained some currency in both human and ostrich circles at the time, that there was a commercial tieup in his experiment—in that during the period of hatching he was constantly reading a book entitled "The Egg and I."

Ossip now lives in San Bernardino, Calif., "enjoying life," according to Moran. When Moran learned that the producers of the hit musical "Fanny" were looking for someone to play the part of an ostrich in a circus scene, he naturally thought of his own family.

He went to California. He got Ossip's daughter. They drove back together, Moran in his car and his granddaughter caboozing along in a special \$500 trailer with her neck and head sticking up high above the roof, like the periscope of a submarine on the prowl.

The fact that the granddaughter is named Fanny, the same as the musical, is purely incidental. The name is printed in big letters on the sides of the trailer. Any suggestion that Moran is publicizing the musical is invidious, and unworthy of you as a moral citizen.

Rehearsed for Play
"Many people say it's my influence, since I know the producers, that got her on the stage," Moran said. "That's not true. She got in there on her own merits. She's rehearsed for a week. Now that she has a job, she'll settle down and pay her

Portland Traction Hearing Continued

Portland—(U.P.)—A hearing on Portland Traction Company's one-third cut in interurban service to Oregon City and Bellrose will be continued in Salem Nov. 2.

Yesterday, 14 patrons on the line testified against the Aug. 21 cuts. Three persons said the new schedule affected pleasure skating in Oaks park.

W. K. Romans, president of the Oaks Social club, said attendance at the group's meetings had dropped 15 per cent and that he had received many complaints from skaters that the new schedules were not timed right for skaters.

Mrs. Grace Sprague, a resident of the Bellrose line, said the cut affected her "spiritual and social life."

Some witnesses indicated the schedule threatened their ability to earn a living because their working hours did not correspond to PTC interurban schedules.

own way. Her starting salary is \$85 a week, which is also the starting salary for human beings."

This reporter went with Moran and Fanny to introduce Fanny to her new home—a stall in the stable of a man named Hoppalong Abramowitz.

Not Easy to Escort

There was some to-do in escorting Fanny from her trailer to her stall. Ostriches don't escort easily, especially six-foot ones. Moran, a tower-tall man with a professor's goatee, and Hoppalong Abramowitz, a stump-squat man, finally both grabbed her by the neck and the seat of the pants, like bouncers escorting a drunk.

Only she escorted them, once underway. Luckily, she headed toward, and into, the stable. The stablehand crowd, which had gathered quickly, cheered. Moran emerged spent and panting.

"An ostrich's grandfather's work is never done," he said.

Court Records

POLICE COURT
Margaret Orthene Phair, violation of the basic rule, \$10.
Richard Stearne Trites, violation of the basic rule, \$10.
Earl Alvin Winchester, violation of the basic rule, \$10.

DISTRICT COURT
James Alanson Lewis, overload, \$42; following to close, \$15.
Thomas Alfred Hicks, failure to stop at a stop sign, \$10.
Helen Wanda Sowell, violation of the basic rule, \$15.
William John Cook Jr., truck speeding, \$6.

John Arleigh Heath, passing with insufficient clearance, \$15; failure to stop at a stop sign, \$10.
Samuel Russell Wier, failure to stop at a stop sign, \$10.
William Stanley Avist, falsified application for a hunting license, \$15.

Henry Markas Christoffersen, failure to stop at a stop sign, \$10.
Oliver Burns Elridge, failure to dim headlights, \$6.
Lorraine Evelyn Zimmerman, no motor operator's license, \$7.50.
Joseph Dwight Zimmerman, no motor vehicle license, \$5.

Kenneth Dale VanAudsall, violation of the basic rule, \$15.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Charles Lincoln McWhorter, 28, of 125 South Oakdale ave. and Winona Rose German, 24, of 2832 Barbara St., Ashland.

William David Garrett, 29, Rogue River, and Beulah Mae Harkey, 22, of 665 Clay St., Ashland.
Harry Gallup Sanford Jr., 22, Shady Cove, and Marjorie Jeanne Newman, 18, of 209 Ashland ave.

Truman Says UN 'Last Hope' To Avoid Destruction

Kansas City, Mo.—(U.P.)—Former President Harry S. Truman last night termed the United Nations "man's last hope" to avoid total destruction.

The former president spoke in an American Legion hall to 2000 persons observing the 10th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations.

No Choice
"There is no choice between the United Nations and something better—only between the United Nations and international anarchy," Mr. Truman said.

"We've had to fight to maintain the UN charter," Mr. Truman said. "The charter was given new life and hope during aggression."

"The most difficult decision I had to make while in the White House was whether to send troops to Korea. I had to make it. It was the right decision and I would make it again today under the same circumstances."

Important Development
Mr. Truman said the most important development in the UN in its 10 years was the growth and prestige of the General Assembly.

"There is not a veto in the General Assembly," he said, "and the Assembly's votes are more effective than the Security Council's veto."

"It was not so in the beginning. But today the General Assembly speaks with a power and an authority the Security Council cannot ignore."

The former president said the charter, from time to time, must need revision. He likened the charter to the United States Constitution, saying one of its greatest merits was its adaptability to change.

TREE PLANTING DAY

Oakridge, Ore.—(U.P.)—The third annual chamber of commerce tree planting day will be held here next Saturday. This year's planting site will be at Old Camp Five, 13 miles north of Westfir.

Russian Newsmen Stop at Salt Lake

Salt Lake City—(U.P.)—Seven touring Russian newsmen took it easy today with hopes they won't have to face any more mobs of anti-Communist demonstrators.

The visiting group arrived here from Cleveland last night. They decided to bypass Chicago because the State Department would not give them a "flat guarantee" against anti-Soviet demonstrations.

The group had asked for the guarantee after a fist-waving mob of 50 demonstrators confronted them in Cleveland yesterday.

Spokesmen for the newsmen said upon their arrival here that the decision to visit the Utah capitol city was based on the fact that there is no heavy concentration of peoples from Soviet satellite nations in the area.

Immigrants and displaced persons from Russian satellite countries were believed responsible for the demonstration in Cleveland.

Today the newsmen will attend the noontime organ recital in the Salt Lake Mormon Tabernacle as their first official act in the city.

Later in the day they will confer with city officials and go sight-seeing. They are also scheduled to visit San Francisco, Los Angeles, Phoenix and Washington.

Owyhee Bishop Hurt In Mishap on Farm

Nyssa—(U.P.)—James Peterson, 35, bishop of the Owyhee ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latterday Saints, was injured critically yesterday when he fell into the machinery of his power potato digger.

Peterson was taken to Malheur memorial hospital with a fractured leg, back abrasions and other injuries.

He was harvesting the last of 35 acres belonging to the Mormon church when the accident occurred. His wife said she saw him apparently lose his balance and topple into the power machinery.

Behind Scenes of 'The \$64,000 Question'

By WILLIAM EWALD
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New York—(U.P.)—Random notes on "The \$64,000 Question" after watching it on-the-spot.

The convertible, a pale blue job, that's wheeled on stage during the show isn't the same one that's given to contestants as a consolation prize. It's a number that has been specially rubbed down to keep it from glaring in the camera eye.

The sponsor says it costs \$900 along each week to move the convertible in and out, pay the various union crews that must handle it, wash and polish it and drain it of all gas and gas fumes. The fire department checks the last process. The chauffeur who sits behind the wheel of the car actually isn't driving it at all—the convertible is pushed on stage by four brawny crewmen who remain out of camera range.

Long Waiting List
The studio from which "The \$64,000 Question" originates seats about 850 persons. At the present time, there's about a one-month's wait for the duet. It ranks fifth in demand at CBS-TV—After Arthur Godfrey, Ed Sullivan, Jackie Gleason and Herb Shriner.

Close friends and relatives of contestants are placed in center row seats downstairs so the camera can zero in while contestants are deliberating. The contestants themselves are seated in front, downstairs at the beginning of the program (when they're on camera), then slipped backstage while the first commercial is running.

Lynn Dollar is the name of the blonde who escorts contestants into the isolation booth. She's an actress and model and has been using the moniker for about three years.

Ben Feit, the bank vice-president who unlocks the big questions, has a stand-in—another bank official named James Agnew Feit, incidentally, has four fan clubs—in Los Angeles, Miami, Boston and Denver.

Three Bank Guards
The bank guards who flank Feit are George Etique, George Sullivan and Jim Corcoran. Etique is a regular; the other two alternate.

Hal March, the emcee, occupies a tiny dressing room on the first floor. It's the noisiest spot in the joint since it's right off the only water fountain.

Before the studio audience files in, March and a couple of production assistants do a screwball spoof of the show in the dry run before the camera. Sample question: "Who is the manager of the Milan Opera House?" Answer: "Bartolomeo Casey Stengel."

Perhaps the strangest part about the show is that the man who cooked it up, Louis Cowan, never sticks around to watch it in the studio. Like 50,000,000 other Americans, Cowan sweats it out before a TV set at home.

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