

Ewald Finds 'Bid 'n Buy' Best of New Quiz Shows But Clues Not Too Helpful

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New York — (UPI) — At this stage of the game it's pretty difficult to be fair when a new quiz comes up for review.
This week alone, for example, 23 new half-hour quiz shows will be poured into daytime and nighttime channels by the networks. In the face of such a bankruptcy in programming, it's hard to evaluate each quiz on its own merits. Lately, I've felt like a man wallowing in one great visual blob.

One of these new half-hours made its debut Tuesday night as the summer replacement for CBS-TV's "The \$64,000 Question." It was an auction game called "Bid 'N' Buy" with Bert Parks as emcee.
I believe the show is the best new quiz of the season, but now that I look back at that statement, I'm not sure it means anything. There hasn't been much competition. And too, it could be that the summer heat is affecting my brain.

Appealing Group
Nevertheless, I will plunge on.
Plunge one: I thought the four contestants on Tuesday night's opener were one of the most appealing groups of amateurs I've seen on TV. They neither chuckled nor shrieked nor fluttered nor whooped nor faked excitement. They were attractive, well-mannered and reasonably affable without any of that nauseous jolliness that seems to pour out of all current quiz show guests.
Plunge two: The game was fast, well-run and fairly stimulating. It squares off the contestants in an auction game in which they bid in order to get a shot at clues. The clues help them identify a silhouette. Identification leads to merchandise prizes.
Plunge three: Bert Parks

has shed his holler and whoope-do personality and I find him a pleasant and efficient workman. Parks — a veteran of "Stop The Music," "Break The Bank," and "Double or Nothing" — whips along the game and the contestants and gives the show gloss.

Clues Are Bad
On the other hand, I suppose I should set up another category called unplunge.
Unplunge one: I thought some of the clues were awfully unhelpful, but it could be that summer heat again.
Unplunge two: The sponsor has his name displayed around the set too much. He is not alone in this offense, of course, but it seems to me somebody should start restricting sponsor plugs to the regular commercials.
Unplunge three: This isn't really an objection from my corner, but I'm sure it will be from the inkstained division of the TV audience: The show has no postcard gimmick — there's no way for the greedy to get in on the loot. Sad to say, that seems to be the principal ingredient that makes for a successful quiz nowadays.

Salem Youth Killed In Gun Accident

Stayton, Ore. — (UPI) — Harold Duane Billington, 15, Salem, was wounded fatally Tuesday when his .22 caliber rifle accidentally discharged while he was snake hunting on a farm road about five miles east of Stayton.
Billington and two companions, Kenneth Turner, 17, and Dennis Dale Casey, 15, both of Salem, were on a hunting trip when Billington started shooting at a snake.
Billington thought the snake had crawled under a shovel and he was turning the shovel over with the butt of his rifle when it accidentally went off. The coroner's office reported the bullet entered his heart, killing him instantly.
He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Billington.

Small Loggers To Have Opportunity For Timber Bids

Washington — (UPI) — Sen. Wayne Morse announced Tuesday Senate approval of an amendment to the small business act which would make federal sales of timber available to Oregon's small business loggers and timber operators in increasing quantities.
The amendment was sponsored by Morse, Sen. Richard Neuberger, and other Pacific Northwest Senators.
Morse said the Small Business Administration previously could assist small businessmen in obtaining government contracts for purchases made by the government only.

Loans for Roads
Under the new amendment, he said, small businesses could get assistance in obtaining government contracts for sale of government timber, including loans for financing of timber road construction. In addition, he said, small operators would be able to ask for a set aside program if they are unable to get a fair share of public timber offered for sale.
Morse said the new amendment would not set aside competitive bidding for timber, but would enable small operators to bid among themselves.

Truck Collision Kills 1, Hurts 1

Newport, Ore. — (UPI) — Jack Arthur Oakes, 31, Waldport, was in "fair" condition in a Pacific Community hospital here today recovering from injuries suffered Tuesday when a loaded logging truck in which he was riding collided head-on with an empty logging truck east of Waldport.
Oakes' company and driver of one of the trucks, Richard Douglas Lechner, 18, also of Waldport, was killed outright in the crash, which occurred four miles off Highway 34. Oakes received head and leg injuries in the accident.
The collision occurred on a blind curve on a stretch of Lobster Valley road that is only 14 feet wide.
Driver of the second truck, who escaped serious injury, was Charles Cook, 35, Tiedewater.
The death was Lincoln county's fourth this year and occurred within five miles of the spot where Mrs. Tommy Edwards of Spokane and her two young sons were killed recently in another highway tragedy.

Non-Farm Jobs Increase 6,500

Salem — (UPI) — Non-farm jobs in Oregon increased 6,500 from mid-April to mid-May, the State Unemployment Compensation Commission reported today.
Coupled with an increase of 11,000 in agricultural jobs in the number of employed jumped 17,500 during the period.
The increase in non-farm jobs was mostly in seasonal industries with logging and sawmills up 4,000 workers.
There were 24,600 fewer non-farm jobs available than for the same period last year, however.
About \$42 million was paid out of the unemployment trust fund by the end of June and less than half that amount was collected from employers. All employers will pay the maximum 2.7 per cent rate for the second quarter of this year.

Lost Tot Found Playing in Creek

Vancouver, Wash. — (UPI) — Dawn Sanchagrin, 2½-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sanchagrin, Sunnyville, Calif., was found sitting in a small creek, splashing water, about 2:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Camp Bonneville military reservation after she was reported missing at 10 a.m.
She was found by a sergeant who was among a search party that had been organized.
Dawn and her parents were visiting in the area with Mr. and Mrs. James Leckie, of Orchard, northeast of Vancouver. The child was later reported lost in a "contaminated" firing range area, one in which live shells may not have exploded, authorities said.
She was in exceptionally good spirits when found, Clark county sheriff's officers said.



CHANGED SEX—Vittorio Alvaro, 23, of Giffone, Italy, is shown with his wife Condo, 16, whom he married some time after an operation in 1953 that changed his sex and the entire course of his life. After living 20 years as a girl, Rosa Marina Alvaro underwent surgery that turned her into a man, and as Vittorio, returned to his native village and got married. Other sisters of Vittorio's family are experiencing the same change.

Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL
Washington—Senate Republican leader William F. Knowland, after saying the United States should send arms and equipment to the Cuban government to help maintain "law and order" if Fidel Castro failed to release within 48 hours the Americans he had kidnapped:
"It is time somebody told Castro he is acting like a pure brigand and extortionist... like a Barbary coast pirate."
Detroit—Maj. Gen. John P. Daley, director of the Army's special weapons research arm, expressing his opinion of Russia's military preparations:
"Soviet Russia is preparing to fight a little limited war, a thermonuclear war or a general non-megaton war of considerable magnitude."
Washington—Rep. Richards B. Wigglesworth (R-N.Y.) after saying the House should restore at least part of the \$872 million slash in foreign aid funds voted by the Appropriations committee:
"I am opposed to cutting just for the sake of cutting in a field involving the freedom, if not the existence, of America and the free world."
Cannes, France—Former President Harry Truman, after being asked for his reactions to the Sherman Adams case:
"The people of the United States understand the facts now. They will not be misled and fooled as they once were by Mr. Nixon, his little dog and a Madison avenue script with Hollywood overtones."
Hollywood—Dennis Crosby, the first of crooner Bing Crosby's four sons to marry, after revealing that his show-girl wife is expecting a child:
"We are very happy about having a baby. We hope dad will be just as pleased as we are."
Baton Rouge, La.—Emile Bourge, superintendent of the Louisiana state capitol building which has the name of a state engraved on each of the steps leading up to it, when asked what he will do when Hawaii enters the Union—now that the last of the building steps will carry Alaska's name:
"We'll be out of steps. But there is enough room in front of the main doors to take care of Hawaii, Guam and a few more. We would just have to engrave them in the walkway."

ILLINOIS VALLEY Baked Food Sale Planned

By RUTH RAUSCH
Cave Junction—The Illinois Valley Zuleima club Daughters of the Nile will hold a home-baked food sale at the Bank of Illinois Valley Saturday, July 12, from 10 a.m. until the food is sold out.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Brown were visitors of Banning at the Bureau of Mines at Albany last week, testing samples of ferrochrome from the High Plateau mine in O'Brien.
Howard Beasley and Gene Pressler each spent a day at the Bureau of Mines to observe the process of running ore from the stock pile through the smelter.

Marian Pfefferle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mayo Pfefferle is expected to arrive from San Francisco this week. Miss Pfefferle holds the office of First Lieutenant with the rank of Captain in the United States Army and is the Appointed Headquarters of the Salvation Army in San Francisco.

Mrs. Marshall Burrows left Tuesday for Coloma, Wis., for a month's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Borsack.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Hendrix, the new owners of the Illinois Valley bakery, will have with them for the next two weeks, their granddaughter, Trudy, from Powers, Ore.

The Hendrix's daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Castle of Siletz, Ore., brought Trudy with them on their way down to visit with Mrs. Castle's parents.

Trudy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Mayfield, who are employed by Georgia Pacific railroad in Powers, will stop here on their way home from Reno to pick up Trudy.

A surprise gathering at the Harold Crovis honored Les Henry on his 39th birthday, a la Jack Benny, last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ott were guests for the barbecued steak dinner and decorated birthday cake.

Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Hohn-

UAR Bans Re-Entry Of Jewish Residents

Paris — (UPI) — The American Jewish Committee said Tuesday the United Arab Republic has banned the re-entry of former Jewish residents of Egypt and Syria.

Zachariah Shuster, European director of the A.J.C. said the ban "is the first wholesale anti-Jewish decree of its kind since the end of the Hitler era."

"Recent events in the Middle East as well as the history of the Hitler era show that we can ill afford to ignore the ideological warning of men like UAR President Gamal Abdel Nasser," Shuster said in a published statement.

JUDGE PAYS FINE
Jackson, Miss. — (UPI) — James L. Spencer's first act after being sworn in Tuesday as municipal judge was to pay a \$1 fine for overparking.

In 1955, an estimated 50 per cent of the women in the American colonies were illiterate.

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