

Try and Stop Me

By BENNETT CERF

IN A SMOKE-LADEN room, some grim-faced gangsters, their sleeves rolled up, were intent upon a big-stakes poker game, when two kids suddenly appeared. "Uncle Desmond," piped one, "Ya gotta show this cube of a friend of mine! He's so square he won't believe you can deal yourself any hand I call for!"



Two Elm Street store owners had just negotiated sizeable loans at the local bank, and were now eating lunch together. "I hope conditions improve soon," worried one. "If they don't, I guess I'll have to rob a bank."

"If conditions don't improve soon," snapped the other, "I HAVE robbed a bank."

A conceited actor fell out of a fishing launch near a lighthouse with one of those revolving beacons. Under ordinary circumstances, there would have been nothing serious about the mishap—but this character almost drowned swimming frantically round and round trying to keep in the spotlight.

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'Bells of St. Mary's' Fails To Warm Heart Of Television Reviewer

By FRED DANZIG

New York—UPI—Having watched "The Bells of St. Mary's" Tuesday night the cockles of my heart should be warm enough to cut into winter fuel bills.

But it didn't work out that way.

The 90-minute CBS-TV production put together some engaging personalities to tell the story of St. Mary's parochial school, its troubles with a neighboring millionaire and its faith in itself and prayer. The troubles were many: The millionaire played by Charles Ruggles, was a hypochondriac who wanted the school razed for a parking lot; Sister Benedict, played by Claudette Colbert, developed tuberculosis; Patsy had family troubles; Eddie couldn't fight; the school was falling apart and, in the idiom of the day, one student took a dive on a quiz.

Enough trouble here to last through a full 36-episode series, I'd say.

Troubles Superficial

The troubles, though many, were really superficial. Even the tuberculosis was a very mild case. Prognosis: excellent. And the millionaire really had a heart of gold. Since his new office building was noticeably lacking in traffic, it was no surprise when he donated it to the parish for a new school.

The most genuine performance of the night was turned in by Marc Connelly, as Dr. McKay. He had an honest, natural approach while the masterful brow wrinkler, Robert Preston and Miss Colbert was fine in a scene that had her boxing and, later, when she learned of her illness. Otherwise, she was, well—Claudette Colbert, complete with superfluous hand-waving, Preston's role called for complete, believable warm-hand ingenuity. He came over with excessive stiffness.

Rendered Obsolete

The labored mechanics of this story have been rendered obsolete by time and I thought the fundamental message—dealing with faith rewarded—could have been twice as effective if half of the underdeveloped sub-plots were discarded.

SEEKS DIVORCE

Los Angeles—UPI—Billy Daniels' third wife filed for divorce Tuesday charging that the Negro singer choked and threatened her. Mrs. Pierrette Daniels, 27, also sought a restraining order to prevent Daniels, 44, from "molesting, annoying or abusing her."

BOARD CHAIRMAN DIES

New York—UPI—Barney Ruben, 74, president and board chairman of Bond Stores, Inc., died Tuesday.

Cruelty Charged To Movie Director

Eugene Libel Case Heard in Court

Eugene—UPI—The libel suit of Circuit Judge Frank B. Reid against the Eugene Register-Guard opened here Tuesday with Marion Circuit Judge George Duncan, Salem, presiding.

Judge Reid seeks \$200,000 from the newspaper charging that statements in certain news stories and an editorial tended to hold him up to contempt and ridicule.

Mrs. Katherine Reddish, 24, daughter of former actress Norma Shearer and the late producer Irving Thalberg, said in her Superior Court suit that she and Reddish separated last August.



STEEL FURNACE STARTED—Joe Luk-the Kaiser Steel plant at Fontana, Calif., outlined against flames, put torch to first open hearth furnace to be lighted at strike.

New Economy, Driving Force To Keep U.S. Prosperity Steady

By ELMER C. WALZER
UPI Financial Editor

New York—UPI—We have a new economy with new driving forces for a steady growth and prosperity in the coming decade, a noted economist said today.

This prediction, he hastens to add, bars some cataclysmic

development such as atomic

Dr. Dexter Merriam Keezer and five of his colleagues set forth the foregoing conclusions in a new book, "New Forces In American Business." Keezer is a vice-president of McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., and head of its economics department. Most of his collaborators are part of the McGraw-Hill organization.

This group sets forth its conclusions and then writes the background to sustain them.

They foresee adequate investment in business, strides in research, a rise in consumer demand to the point of revolution, new marketing techniques to sell the goods, expansion of the role of government in the economy, big business from overseas investments, retention of strong competition, and avoidance of inflation on a large scale.

Their chapter on research produces the most interesting angles of their discussion.

Moveable Homes

"The new home of the 1960s may well be manufactured of collapsible panels so that a homeowner can change its shape to suit his whims, move it to another part of the country, maybe even trade it in at a 'used house' lot."

"Lighting could come from electroluminescent panels occupying most of the ceiling and side walls of a room.

Among many interesting features, homes may have all-plastic plumbing, ultra-sonic dishwashers and spray-on carpeting.

"And there could be a small black box in the front hall—the symbol of tomorrow's electronic wonders—which automatically changes the swimming pool water, turns on the heat conductors under the driveway whenever it snows, and maybe even figures out the bill for such luxurious living."

Gas-Turbine Powered Cars

"The car of the future (consumers willing) may take its cue from the experimental Firebird III displayed in 1958 by General Motors, electronic gaged plastic-bubble model. It would boast finned flats to aid in braking, a corrosion-proof exterior, and parts made of "greasy metals" that lubricate themselves.

"And tomorrow's drive may well be an electronic gadget that straddles, electromagnetically, a cable buried in the middle of the traffic lane.

"And then there's the shopping center of tomorrow. Grass may grow on main streets after all, but it will hardly be the symbol of the great depression.

"It will just mean that major downtown shopping areas have been transformed into pedestrian parks with vehi-

cular traffic running underground. Noise-breaking circuits could keep major cities quiet."

Quotes From the News

By United Press International

Hollywood—Melvin Belli, attorney for the late Errol Flynn's 17-year-old "protegee" Beverly Aadland, discussing plans to defend the validity of a hand-written unsigned will leaving Miss Aadland one-third of Flynn's estate: "It's a shame this came up. Errol thought he was providing for the girl he loved very much and now she can't even get her clothes from New York."

Washington—Sen. Olin D. Johnston, (D-S.C.), recalling before the National Association of Postmasters that the Post Office Department had experimented with sending the mail by missiles:

"When I read of the progress being made in our missile program, I sometimes think it would be better to send the missiles by mail."

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Bergman Custody Case Postponed

Rome—UPI—A Rome court today postponed until Nov. 11 its action on the final custody of the three children of Roberto Rossellini and Ingrid Bergman.

The brief hearing today was attended only by lawyers representing the couple.

The three children, Roberto, 9, and the twins Isabella and Isotta, 6, are in Paris with their mother. Another court awarded her custody Oct. 16.

A separate court case on the annulment of the Rossellini-Bergman marriage is due for a hearing Nov. 4. Miss Bergman has obtained a Mexican divorce, not recognized here, and then married Swedish millionaire Lars Schmidt.

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