

Famous Soldier Of Fortune To Be Bob Ripley's Guest

Bert Hall To Tell Of His Exploits With 14 Different Armies; Other Interesting Stories Scheduled

Bob Ripley's CBS "Believe It Or Not" program Friday night brings Bert Hall, the world's greatest soldier-of-fortune to the WABC microphone at 10:30 p. m.

Hall, sole surviving member of the original Lafayette Escadrille, who has fought in 14 different armies, both for and against each, will tell of his fabulous exploits. Hall's appearance is particularly timely because he is credited with being the first man to use an airplane for military purposes.

Other guests will be Mrs. Edith Druce, who was the first woman to fly and whose husband was the financier of the Wright Brothers' successful flights in France, and Mrs. Ada deLauchau, composer of "Liza Jane," who will tell how she came to write the song in San Francisco in 1914 when Ruth Chatterton asked her if she knew an old Southern melody that would be good for the second act of "Come Out of the Kitchen."

The dramatization will reveal one of the strangest cases in English jurisprudence, in which a judge dismissed charges against a man whose theft of a 10-pound note had saved the judge's own mother from a death sentence in the same court many years before.

A Fall River, Mass., girl whose fiancé was drowned while attempting to rescue a boating comrade will be Lanny Ross' leading lady for an evening Friday, 7:15 p. m., over WABC, when Lanny sings "Deep Purple" for Miss Rose Jennings, of 107 Danforth-st., that city. The accident occurred just two months before Miss Jennings' wedding date. "Deep Purple" is the tune the orchestra was playing the night the couple met.

"Ladies in Retirement," Broadway's latest and most thrilling smash hit, with Flora Robson in the starring role, will be brought to the Kate Smith Hour over WABC Friday, at 8:00 p. m. Ted Collins, the Ted Straeter Chorus, Abbott and Costello and Jack Miller's band will be heard as usual with "The Songbird of the South."

The drama is a spine-shivering mystery play by Edward Percy and Reginald Denham. The scene is laid in an old 19th Century English farmhouse on the marshes of the Thames Estuary, ten miles east of Gravesend, and concerns the companion-housekeeper of an eccentric old woman. The play is described as an old-fashioned, hard-hitting melodrama with a decided British flavor.

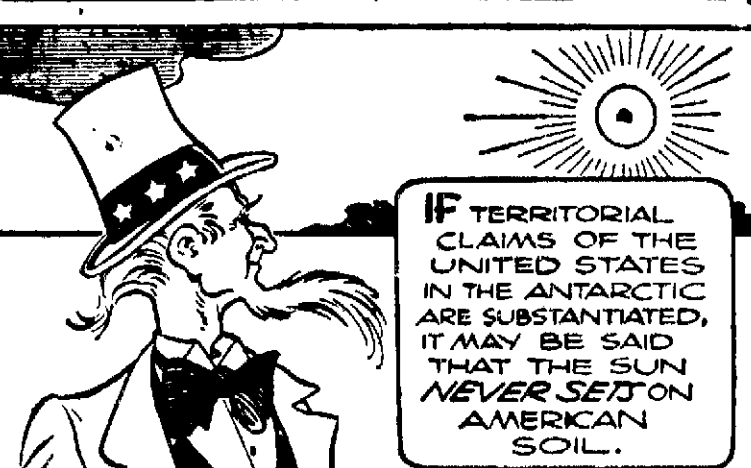
A rolling Mark Hellinger comedy is scheduled for the Don Ameche program Friday at 10 p. m. on WEAF. Title is "Reformation" and the story deals with the efforts of a long-suffering wife (played by Claire Trevor) to curb the gambling instincts of a fellow who just can't refrain from betting on horses. Ameche, Pat Friday and Victor Young's orchestra take care of the musical portions of this variety show.

An exciting crime drama will be featured as the high spot on forthcoming "Johnny Presents" program over WABC. Both are authored by Max Martin, famous playwright. On Friday, at 8:30 p. m., "The Lineup Showdown," a case in which the culprit comes a cropper on his "perfect crime" when he makes a mistake in the police lineup at Central Station will be presented.

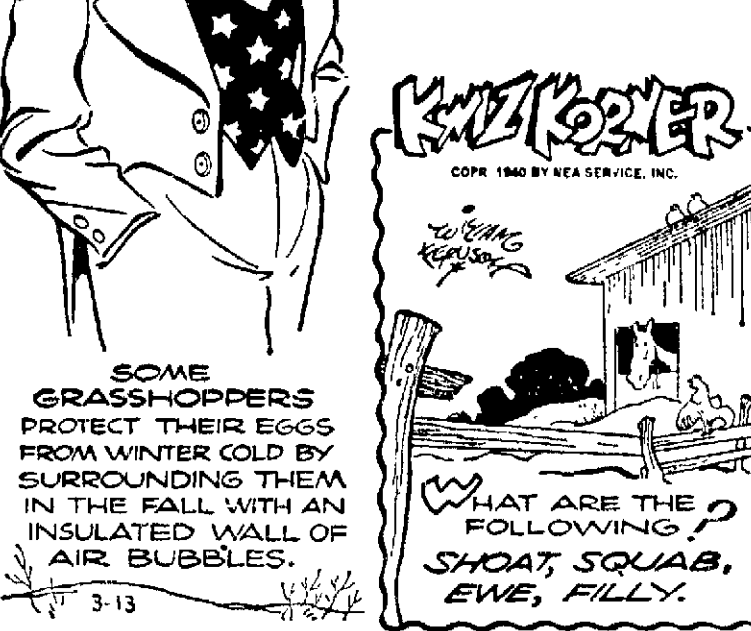
Professor Quiz' popular "Battle of Wits" program will emanate from CBS' New York studios Friday, 7:30 p. m. EST. CBS, for the first time since the Professor started his highly successful nationwide tour.

The Amsteddam chorus, vocal group, will take the spotlight in a presentation of the ballad, "From Another World" on the Waltz Time program Friday at 9:00 p. m. over WEAF. Abe Lyman's orchestra will play "Evening Star," the "Sanitago Waltz" and "Danube Waves" while Frank

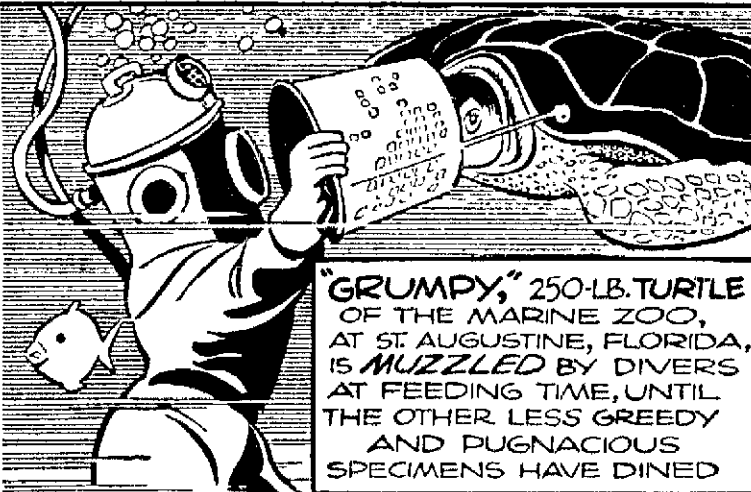
THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



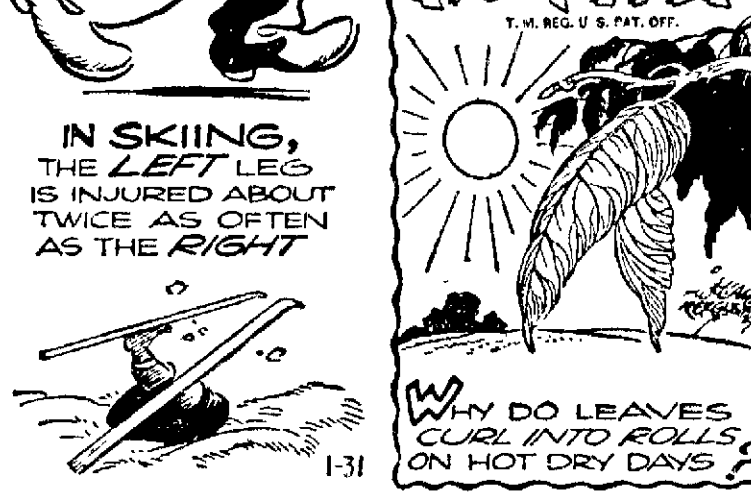
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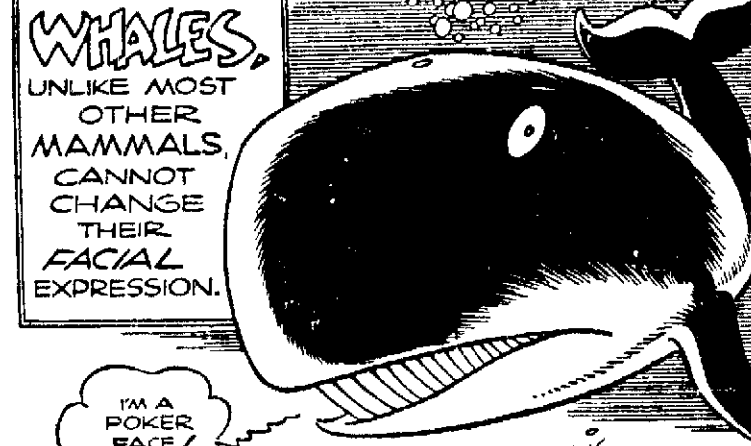
SOME GRASSHOPPERS PROTECT THEIR EGGS FROM WINTER COLD BY SURROUNDING THEM IN THE FALL WITH AN INSULATED WALL OF AIR BUBBLES.



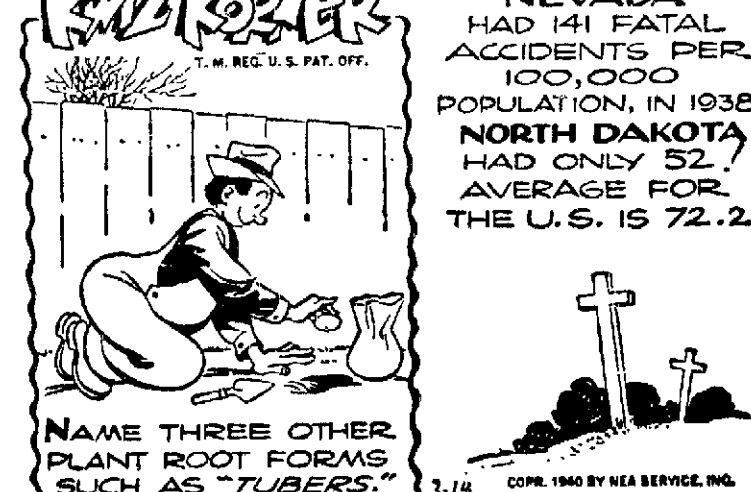
GRUMPY, 250-LB. TURTLE OF THE MARINE ZOO, AT ST. AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA, IS MUZZLED BY DIVERS AT FEEDING TIME, UNTIL THE OTHER LESS GREEDY AND PUGNACIOUS SPECIMENS HAVE DINED



IN SKIING, THE LEFT LEG IS INJURED ABOUT TWICE AS OFTEN AS THE RIGHT



WHALES, UNLIKE MOST OTHER MAMMALS CANNOT CHANGE THEIR FACIAL EXPRESSION.



NAME THREE OTHER PLANT ROOT FORMS SUCH AS "TUBERS."

ANSWER: Bulbs, corms and rhizomes.

LONDON CADGERS FIND WAR TALES PROFITABLE

LONDON, April 19 — (UP) — Aliens in the United Kingdom have found a new war racket. Organized gangs of refugee beggars, sheltering behind tales of Nazi persecution, are becoming a menace to office and flat dwellers in London.

Advertisement for 'The Jones Family Too Busy to Work' featuring a cartoon of a man and a woman.

Golden Voiced Miss Durbin Starring In Sigma Picture

Kay Francis And Walter Pidgeon Head Supporting Cast; Quilna Has Tyrone Power And Dorothy Lamour

Another cinematic step in the progress of America's juvenile singing favorite is offered at the Sigma theatre where Deanna Durbin is starred in "It's a Date" commencing Saturday. The juvenile singing favorite is ably supported by Kay Francis and Walter Pidgeon in romantic leads.

Co-starred in a dramatic episode of an educated banker's son turned criminal, Tyrone Power and Dorothy Lamour in "Johnny Apollo," is the current Quilna attraction. An able supporting cast includes Edward Arnold, Charley Grapewin, Lionel Atwill and Lloyd Nolan.

"Rebecca," starring Laurence Olivier and Joan Fontaine, is the current Ohio theatre offering. The much discussed best seller becomes a real screen treat in the story of the unfortunate shadow which hovers over a newly married wife threatening disaster to her happiness.

Ann Sothern and John Carroll are starred in the State feature, "Gongo Maisie," the second of the comic adventures of the unforgettable character made popular by Miss Sothern. Also showing is "Private Detective" starring Jane Wymann, Dick Foran and Gloria Dickson.

The Jones family provide comedy aplenty in the latest of the popular series, "Too Busy to Work," now at the Lyric theatre. With the family intact, the cast includes Jed Prouty, Sprung Byington, George Ernest and June Carlson. Also showing is a stirring Western adventure, "Law Comes to Texas."

At the Majestic theatre the double bill co-features "Keep Smiling" and "Santa Fe Stampede."

Heralded as Deanna Durbin's most colorful motion picture, "It's a Date," which has its background in Hawaii, will open Saturday at the Sigma theatre.

Marking another important forward step in the development of the star into more mature roles, Deanna's seventh film finds her surrounded by a stellar cast.

Kay Francis and Walter Pidgeon share major honors, Eugene Pallette, Lewis Howard of "First Love," Samuel S. Hinds, Cassie Loftus, Fritz Feld, S. Z. Sakall, famous European actor, Henry Stephenson, are others.

The story concerns a famous Broadway actress and her daughter, played by Miss Francis and Miss Durbin, who are offered the same role in a Broadway show. In addition they become rivals for the romantic interest of a Hawaiian pineapple planter, portrayed by Pidgeon.

Deanna's boyfriend, played by Howard, also figures prominently in the complicated but ingenuitizing proceedings.

The singing star has four numbers, including a popular tune, "Love Is All," by Punky Tomlin and Harry Tobias. Others are Schubert's "Ave Maria," "Aparita's Street Song" from Puccini's "La Boheme," and "Loch Lomond."

Harry Owens and his Royal Hawaiians are also in the cast to carry on the Hawaiian atmosphere for the colorful production. Owens and his internationally famous orchestra, with hula dancers and the soloist, Kenny

Advertisement for 'Quilna' featuring a portrait of a woman and text about Tyrone Power and Dorothy Lamour.

Advertisement for 'Danceland' featuring Arden Wilson and his 11 piece orchestra.

more in the role of Marks, the lawyer, in "Uncle Tom's Cabin." During this quarter of a century of vaudeville experience he spent most of the time in Great Britain, making two world tours with British companies. Upon his return to this country he toured the Keith and Orpheum circuits with his wife, Ann Ashley.

The evening performance of "Tobacco Road" has been scheduled for 9:15 p. m. to accommodate late shoppers, the theatre management has announced.

Advertisement for 'Ohio Farewell Tour of Famous Stage Play - Not a Picture' featuring 'Tobacco Road' with John Barton.

Advertisement for 'Rebecca' featuring Laurence Olivier and Joan Fontaine.

Advertisement for 'Giant Kiddie Show Tomorrow' featuring 'Texas Rambler' and 'Sigma'.

Advertisement for 'Deanna Durbin It's a Date' featuring Kay Francis and Walter Pidgeon.

Advertisement for 'State' featuring 'Arden Wilson' and 'Broadway Melody of 1940'.