

Hardy Family Brings Many Problems To Producers

Metro Finds Questions As Well As Cash

Lives Of Many Based On What "Andy" Would Do In Same Situation

By PAUL HARRISON
 HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 24 — When it started the Hardy Family series nearly five years ago, Metro didn't bargain for a child guidance bureau, an advice-to-young-love department, and a dispensary of legal counsel. But those are what it got—along with several million dollars, of course.

The legal service is the only one of the responsibilities that doesn't go into conscientious detail. Lewis Stone, as Judge Hardy, is so thoroughly established as a common sense lawyer in the minds of many movie patrons that he gets stacks of letters asking help on cases—some of them astonishingly big ones. Stone never studied law and can't attempt to answer the questions. So he thanks his would-be clients and tells 'em to consult an attorney in their own home towns.

But if Stone is deluged with such requests, he's swamped with inquiries on father-and-son relations. These he considers important, and so do all the other people on the Hardy pictures—Carey Wilson, who's a sort of general supervisor, Director George Seitz, and the various writers.

The public is responsible for numerous details of improvement in Andy Hardy's dress and behavior, and the group working on the pictures finds it a little tough sometimes to keep him from being too prudishly proper. When Rooney wore a gray old leather jacket thru most of one film, mothers wrote to Metro complaining that their sons had dug out their most disreputable jackets and were making a fad of them. Sometimes errors of judgment in writing have been caught at previews, thru opinion cards passed to the audience. One of the most obvious was in "Love Finds Andy Hardy," with a sequence in which an emotionally upset Andy sat down at the dinner table but "soon rose and said to his mother: 'Buy I go to my room?' Dinner isn't so good tonight."

Following this, at the preview, a series of gags and funny action fell as flat as a limp platitud. A few hours later the worried director found out why: about half of the preview cards asked, in effect: "How could Andy be so rude as to tell his mother her dinner wasn't any good, and why didn't Judge Hardy bawl him out?"

The picture was yanked back into the studio next morning and the scene re-filmed. This time Rooney said: "Mom, you're the best cook in the world but I just don't feel hungry tonight. May I go to my room?" That fixed everything fine. A woman visitor went to Carey Wilson's home one Sunday and asked for advice about a party planned by her 16-year-old daughter and three friends. "They want to serve cocktails," she said, "and the other girls have permission. My husband and I aren't prudes, but we don't want to give liquor to such youngsters. We decided to ask what the Hardys would do about it."

Wilson took the problem in easy stride. "Serve punch," he suggested. "Let word get around beforehand that it's pretty potent and that you're worrying about anyone having more than a couple of glasses. You might put in just a touch of table wine to make it taste funny."

He got a grateful note from the mother weeks later. The punch was a huge success.



On the theory that the best judge of a bathing beauty contest is a contest winner, officials have announced that Shilze Patterson (above), who was "Miss California of 1910," will help choose "Miss 1912" in a contest Sunday at Venice, Calif. Three other beauty contest winners will be on the board of judges.

NEWS IN COLORED CIRCLES

Social Items, Lodges, Societies, Personals

The Young Women's Literary Guild of St. Paul A. M. E. church will serve a baked ham dinner Thursday, Feb. 12, in the church dining room.

The Nonpariel club will meet Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Frank Jackson, W. Elm-st.

Mrs. Jennie Barnes was hostess to the Ladies' League of Second Baptist church Wednesday evening in her home, W. Spring-st. Those present were Mrs. Della Moxley, Mrs. Clara Hathcox, Mrs. Bertha Thomas, Mrs. Esvie Clemens, Mrs. Nora Shoecraft, Mrs. Lucy Down-ton, Mrs. Myrtle Kennedy, Mrs. Mary F. Barnett, Mrs. Anna King Bradley, Rev. G. L. Johnson and Patty Ware. The next meeting will be a birthday bank opening with Mesdames Della Moxley and Minnie Harrison hostesses at the home of Mrs. Moxley.

Mrs. Lydia King will be hostess to the Aeolian club Thursday afternoon in her home, S. McDonel-st. Miss Parnice King entertained friends last Saturday night; the event being her 19th birthday. Miss Ora Mae Robinson was acting hostess and Louie Scott was acting host. Dancing, games and an appetizing lunch were enjoyed. In-cluded was Miss Edith Jennings, Miss Betty McGee, Miss Mildred Jennings, Miss Eva Bell Pitts, Miss Irene Ward, Miss Ophelia Williams, Miss Helen Campbell, Miss Ruthie Mae Candler, Miss Della-mae James; Messrs. Bob Jones, Elton White, Charles Parcher, Louie Hamilton, Bob Mines, Moses Upshaw, Silas James, and John Pitts.

Mrs. Leo Johnson, 1629 S. Main-st., entertained members of the Society Steppers club Tuesday evening. After the business session, refreshments were served. Those attending were Mrs. Marguerite Phillips, Mrs. Ethel Foster, Mrs. Odessa Belz, Mrs. Dorothy Runsey, Mrs. Daisy Johnson, Mrs. Birney Morgan. The club will meet Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock with Mrs. Ramsey.

The Gettogether club will meet Monday evening at 8 o'clock in the Elks home, 1129 S. Metcalf-st.

The Ladies Aid society of the Fourth Street Baptist church met at the home of Mrs. Minnie Higgins, 1702 Norval-av, this past week.

Mrs. Loretta Holman is convalescing at her home, Oakland-avenue, where she has been confined to her bed several weeks with a severe attack of flu.

The Allen class of St. Paul A. M. E. church will have a meeting Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Maud Manley, W. Market-st. This meeting is important and all members are asked to be present.

Mrs. Anna Johnson was hostess to the Needlework club Friday afternoon in her home, W. Eureka-st. Their special work is comfort making. Members present were Mrs. Nora Shoecraft, Mrs. Erna Hathcox, Mrs. Bertha Moss, Mrs. Clara Hathcox, Mrs. Ellen Ramsey, Mrs. Esther Johnson, Mrs. Len Sheldon, Mrs. Lydia King, Mrs. Alberta Davis, Mrs. Della Moxley, Mrs. Volena Peters, Mrs. Luella McGee, Mrs. Etta Beasley, Mrs. Grace Webb, Mrs. Viola Hackley. Mrs. A. Johnson of

NITE LIFE FOOTNOTES

KIRWAN GRILL—Mighty marvelous is the food served here nowadays. Especially when prefaced by that Martini special at noontime. The barkeep is a man of singular attainments and no mean fame, so stop in pronto.

NEWYORKER — A sleek spot has arisen on the old site where the famed hot beef-and-barrel-gravy snaiwiches were served. The excellence of the victuals is maintained in the tradition fashion altho the establishment has been thoroughly renovated.

WALDO GRILL—Robust night life begins here. Just the place to go in case of extreme boredom or an ailraid. In occurrence of the latter, the rathskeller is just the place in which to take refuge.

MILANO CAFE — Known for miles around for the jolly up-tiness of the barman and superiority of beef served.

LOUIE'S NITE CLUB — One of the Far North havens usually alluded to by my thirsty acquaintances as the "last chance." Best of brews are vended.

LAND O' DANCE — Here's a new one for you shoe slapping happy dance fanciers. Located at St. Henry, O. this one boasts the swing symphonies of Frankie Schenk and his orchestra every Saturday and Sunday. Frankie has a brace of keen vocalists, Louise Palmer and Cliff Garfield.

DIXIE NITE CLUB—The singing and sighing strings of the synthetic but symphonic cowboys are something to listen to. Clyde Dixon, the boss, says his entertainers are masters of Great Western ballads.

ALPINE VILLAGE—Solid stuff.

BARE RAINBOW BOOM — Infested by the young in spirit who like a dash of modern rhythm with their cokes or cocktails. Has fine facilities for dancing.

COURT CAFE—In addition to a banquet selection of choice beverages and tempting vands, Dashing Dick, the proprietor, also has an interesting collection of miniature horses back of the bar.

CASTLE FARM—A matter of great importance to those seeking fun and frolic after dark is the floor show situation. Talent of the best available in these here parts is displayed.

FLORENTINE ROOM—Something new and different.

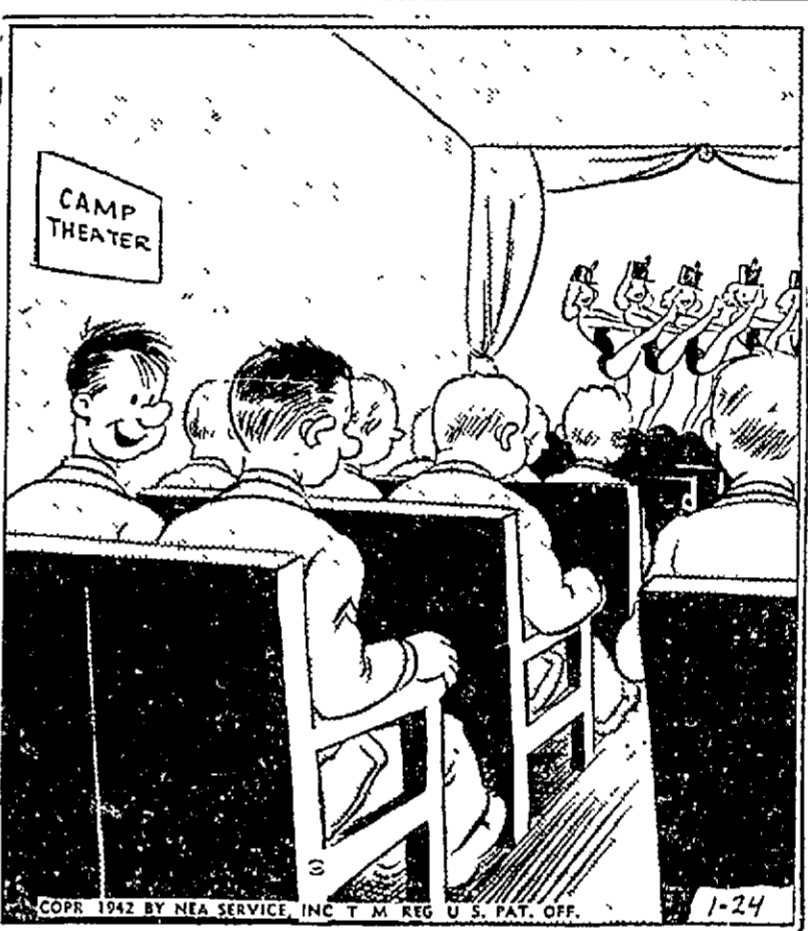
ROXY GRILL—One of the best.

FUNNY BUSINESS



"I was afraid someone might step on him!"

HOLD EVERYTHING



"I hear our squad moves up to the front next week!"

Four Top-Flight Hollywood Stars Set For Sunday Show

"Torrid Zone" Will Be Screen Guild Theatre's Offering At 7:30 P. M.; Nelson Eddy To Be M'Carthy Guest

Four top-ranking Hollywood performers will star in "Torrid Zone," an actor-packed comedy-drama of life on a South American banana plantation, during the "Screen Guild Theatre" broadcast over WABC Sunday, at 7:30 p. m., George Raft, Paulette Goddard, George Tobias and Jack Carson will play the leading roles, with Roger Pryor as director and master-of-ceremonies.

Nelson Eddy, one of the few living humans who ever slapped Charlie McCarthy down and got away with it, will drop around to Charlie's hangout Sunday, to see how his former co-worker is getting along at 8 p. m. over WEAF.

"Pillars of Society," celebrated play by the great Norwegian dramatist, Henrik Ibsen, featuring a star-tudded, roster of radio performers, is the "Great Play" to be presented, at 2 p. m. over WEAF.

The play, which exposes a supposed pillar of society who is actually a philanthropist and embezzler, completes the old classics and European section of the "Great Plays" series. Works of famous American playwrights, dead and living, will be offered in an American section to begin the following week.

Featuring the mellow melodies of the gaslight era, "Those Good Old Days," which is presented by the entertainers from Bill's "Gay Nineties" restaurant in New York will be heard again on Sunday, over WJZ at 8:30 p. m.

Talking on another type of defense job, the nation's most widely known victory workers will fashion a program of martial music when the Wheeling Steel Corporation's "Musical Steelmakers," are heard, Sunday at 5:30 p. m. over WJZ.

While the hit tunes of 1942 will form the principal musical theme of the Hour of Charm broadcast for Sunday night, at 10 o'clock, Phil Spitalny and his all-girl orchestra—heard over WEAF—this week will dedicate their regular closing hymn of the evening to the officers and men of Fort Hayes, Columbus, O.

ADA GIRL NAMED TO CONTEST ON CITIZENSHIP

(Special To The Lima News)
 ADA, Jan. 24 — Alyce High, senior, has been named by a faculty committee to represent Ada high school in the Good Citizenship contest sponsored by the Daughter of the American Revolution. Selection was based on scholarship, leadership, and character.

Alyce has been outstanding in all high school activities. At present she maintains a high scholastic average in addition to being editor of the high school newspaper, trumpet soloist in the band and orchestra, chemistry laboratory assistant, intramural basketball captain, accompanist for the mixed chorus, and a member of the Girl Reserves and the Girls' Athletic team.

The citizenship test will be given at Kenton on Feb. 7. It will include the subjects of American government and history. The two girls ranking highest in the state will be awarded a trip to Washington.

CHILD DROWNS

EAST PALESTINE, O., Jan. 24 — (AP)—Naomi Jane Brown, 9, was drowned when she fell thru the ice while sliding on little Beaver Creek, near Dallington, Pa., seven miles east of here. She was carried under the ice but the body was recovered.

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ADA FIRM WILL MAKE "BARBED WIRE GLOVES"

ADA, Jan. 24—The Ohio-Kentucky Manufacturing Co. of Ada has received a government order for 3,000 pairs of "barbe" wire "gloves." The first pair is being perfected from sketches submitted by the army procurement office by Ben Stobble, manager of the glove department. Production will begin as soon as the sample pair is approved.

The gloves are to be used in the erection and tearing down of barbed wire entanglements. The gloves are scheduled for delivery within 90 days, it was stated by W. A. Sonnett, president of the firm.

ODD FELLOWS INITIATE GROUP

DELPHOS, Jan. 24 — Oxynevy lodge, I. O. O. F., here was host Friday evening to Odd Fellows of northwestern Ohio with more than 80 members of the order in attendance for the initiation in the first degree of a large class of candidates representing Spencerville, Eldon, Lima, and Delphos.

Principal speakers were Past Grand Master R. G. Staggenmeier of Toledo and Ralph Deniston of Spencerville.

The same candidates will be given their second degree at Canis on Tuesday evening and the third degree at Eldon on Feb. 2.

Lunch was served to conclude the evening.

SOUSLEY HEADS DEFENSE

ADA, Jan. 24—M. J. Sousley has been named ex chairman of the Haidin-co committee to direct and coordinate the defense savings program. Sousley attended a conference of county chairmen in Cleveland on Saturday and Sunday and will set up the organization in Hardin-co upon his return.

Book Reviews

Obtained At The Lima Public Books Reviewed Here May Be Library, Main Library

THE NEW HOPE. By Joseph C. Lincoln and Freeman Lincoln. Coward-McCann, Inc. \$2.50.

Joseph Lincoln and his son join their talents to write this historical novel. The action takes place during the last months of the War of 1812. The story describes a group of Cape Cod residents who succeed in launching a privateer in the face of the British blockade. It is a lively tale of mystery and adventure and character and so real that you think you must be listening to an old sea captain spin a yarn.

A LEAF IN THE STORM. By Lin Yu-Tang. John Day Co., Inc. \$2.50.

Lin Yu-Tang goes on with his colorful story of China from about the place where "Moment in Peking" left off but with different characters and a little different emphasis. It is a picture of the Chinese-Japanese conflict as seen thru the lives of three people: "Toya, a handsome young man who looks at a strategist; Loo Ping, a Buddhist saint and ascetic, interested only in human lives, and beautiful Molin, whose destiny is tied up with those of the two men. With the story is a description, phasty but true, of the degeneracy of the Japanese invader and also a picture of the new Chinese spirit."

THE SUN SHALL GREET THEM. By Arthur Durham Divine. (David Ramee, pseud.) The Macmillan Co. \$2.50.

The war will undoubtedly bring out many fine novels but so far the most dramatic of them have come from the Dunkirk episode. This novel can well take its place with "The Snow Goose" already a classic of war literature. The hero is a young idealist whose first feelings are that England is not worth saving. He is aroused from his lethargy and takes part in the perilous adventures of bringing back stranded soldiers from Dunkirk and thru that experience his faith in England is restored. A brilliant, moving and poignant novel.

WHEAT PROTEST CASE TRANSFER REQUESTED

SIDNEY, Jan. 24—An action has been filed in common pleas court by William J. Bergman and others, vs. I. M. Wilkinson and others, asking for the removal of the wheat marketing quota case to the United States district court for the southern district of Ohio.

An action was filed in common pleas court last Dec. 29 by Bergman and seven other Shelby-co farmers against the state Agricultural Conservation Committee and the Shelby-co committee to enjoin the imposition of the wheat marketing quota penalties.

FILMS TO BE SHOWN

KENTON, Jan. 24—The Ohio State Archaeological and Historical society of Ohio State university has sent out invitations for the showing of "The Land of Eskimos," filmed in technicolor by Frederick Mactanz, prominent artist-author of "Kean," and a graduate of Ohio State university. The films will be shown at the Ohio State Museum on the university campus next Friday evening, at 8 o'clock.

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