

Fake Whisker Shortage Drives Baker To Threats

Phil Baker threatens to grow a beard in the face of the fake whisker shortage by the time of his special Christmas Eve "Take It or Leave It" show on Sunday at 9 p. m. over Station WABC. Bewinkered or not, the man with the \$64 questions will have plenty of moola on hand with which to stuff the stockings of deserving contestants. Contestants can get on their thinking-caps right away for Baker says that one of his teasers will be, "Why is this night particularly noteworthy?"

President Roosevelt will deliver a special Christmas message to the nation on Christmas Eve, Sunday, at 4:15 p. m. Lima time over WJZ. It is expected that the President will speak for approximately 15 minutes.

Yehudi Menuhin, recently returned from a tour of European war zones where he entertained Allied troops, comes to "Music America Loves Best" as guest star of a gala Christmas Eve broadcast, Sunday over WEAF at 3:30 p. m.

It was the night before Christmas, and all thru the Riley house hold on Sunday at 9 p. m. over Station WJZ there was utter confusion, and "The Life of Riley" as played by William Bendix, wasn't

RADIO GUIDE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 (Lima Time)

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| 12:00 Noon—Fifteen Minutes Newscast—nbc | 12:15—15 min. Retell by guests—nbc | 12:30—1 of Chicago Roundtable—nbc | 12:45—Ed Murrow's Commentary—nbc | 1:00—Those We Love, Dramatic—nbc | 1:30—John Chas. Thomas & Song—nbc | 2:00—World Parade Upon Close—nbc | 2:15—Philharmonic Symp—cbs | 2:30—Official Hour by Army—nbc | 3:00—Music America Loves Best—nbc | 3:15—Andre Kostelanetz Concert—nbc | 4:00—NBC Symphony Toscanini—nbc | 4:15—Family Line, Patrice Munsel—cbs | 4:30—Jack Benny Comedy Show—nbc | 4:45—Kate Smith Hour of Variety—cbs | 5:00—The Bandwagon Orchestra—nbc | 5:15—Bob Shriver in Comments—cbs | 5:30—Blondie—Dagwood Comedy—cbs | 7:30—One Man's Family Drama—nbc | 7:45—Crime Doctor in Comments—cbs | 8:00—Sundays Merry Go-Round—nbc | 8:15—Mystery Drama—Nagel—cbs | 8:30—Album of Familiar—James Melton & Alec Templeton—nbc | 9:00—Phil Spathoff & Girl Orsh—nbc | 9:30—Comedy Has Lloyd Mc—nbc | 10:00—Variety, News to L & M—nbc |
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PARKING METERS BRING PENNSYLVANIA A MILLION

STATE COLLEGE, Pa., Dec. 23.—(AP)—Pennsylvania communities collect more than \$1,000,000 annually thru use of motor vehicle parking meters, a survey of the Pennsylvania State College Institute of Local Government shows.

The commonwealth has 21,127 meters, twice the number of any other state, while the 84 communities employing them account for 20 per cent of the nation's meter-using towns.

The yield was \$1,085,541 in 1943 and \$1,168,528 in 1942.

Meadville was the commonwealth pioneer in installing meters in 1936. Pittsburgh ranks first in number with 1,400 meters and Lehighton last with 37.

Thirty communities, with population range of from 5,000 to 10,000, collect parking fees, while 75 per cent of the state's cities, with populations of from 25,000 to 50,000, use the meter system.

SON WAS "THERE"

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (UP)—When Mrs. Curren Mullen heard of the Misberg raid on a late radio broadcast she remarked to friends, "It would be something if my son were in that raid. Shortly after she was informed that Lt. Joseph E. Mullen had scored a kill on the Nazis during the battle. He was there.

U. S. Army Group

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| HORIZONTAL | 58 Keeper of flocks |
| 1 Depicted in insignia of U. S. Army | |
| 90th | 1 Adventurous |
| 8 Card game | 2 False god |
| 11 Paid notice | 3 Indian army (ab) |
| 12 Eagle's nest | 4 Weight of India |
| 13 Malt drink | 5 Flower |
| 14 Good | 6 French river |
| 16 Get up | 7 Require |
| 17 Meadows | 8 Hand part |
| 19 Was indisposed | 9 On the sheltered side |
| 21 Dregs | 10 More |
| 23 Royal Navy (ab) | 11 More |
| 24 Ellis English | 12 More |
| 25 Once more | 13 More |
| 28 Keen | 14 More |
| 31 Circle part | 15 More |
| 32 Division of geological time | 16 More |
| 33 Be in accord | 17 More |
| 35 Type of fortification | 18 More |
| 38 Symbol for Iridium | 19 More |
| 39 Hebrew letter | 20 More |
| 40 With-tood | 21 More |
| 46 Ceases | 22 More |
| 49 Observed | 23 More |
| 50 Auditory | 24 More |
| 52 Dill | 25 More |
| 53 Indian gunny cloth | 26 More |
| 54 Fragment | 27 More |
| 56 Half-em | 28 More |
| 57 Standing room only (ab.) | 29 More |

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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GOOD NEWS TODAY!

MR. RUGGLES IS DOING SPLENDIDLY!

OH, WONDERFUL!

ROD, YOU'RE REALLY BETTER?

SINCE YOU'VE COME, SURE!

SWELL! AND NOW HOW ABOUT TELLING THE GIRL HOW IT HAPPENED?

I GUESS I WAS NEARLY OUT OF MY MIND, BOOTS! YOU KNOW WHY, OF COURSE!

WHO ME? WHY?

BLONDIE

NOW, DON'T WORRY, DEAR!

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO MAIL MY LETTER!

QUICK, MR. BUMSTEAD YOUR WIFE WANTS YOU ON THE PHONE!

DID YOU MAIL MY LETTER?

BLONDIE, I'M SURPRISED YOU'D CALL TO ASK ME THAT! IT MAKES ME FEEL AS THO YOU HAVE NO CONFIDENCE IN ME!

TAKE THIS OUT AND STICK IT IN THE MAIL-BOX VINCENT!

WASH TUBBS

YESSIR EASY—THE RAID WERE PLANNING ON KNOBE WILL MAKE THOSE BUCK-TOOTHED CHIMPS WHO THOUGHT UP PEARL HARBOR WISH THEY HADN'T DONE IT!

DESTROY AN INDUSTRIAL CITY OF THAT SIZE IN ONE RAID, COLONEL BRILL?

WE CAN DO IT IN TWO TRIPS, WITH INCENDIARIES—IF WE CAN PLAN THE SECOND ATTACK FROM AIR PHOTOS SHOWING WHAT WE MISSED ON THE FIRST!

THAT WAS POSSIBLE AGAINST THE NAZIS, SUH—BUT WITH JAPAN OUT OF RECONNAISSANCE RANGE, NOW!

THAT'S FOR YOU TO FIGURE OUT, EASY! I HAVE A PLAN OR TWO—ONLY TROUBLE IS, THEY WOULDN'T WORK! THINK IT OVER, AND BRING ME YOUR SUGGESTIONS!

POPEYE

AH THE SUN IS BRIGHT!

ONG, ONG, SNAP—THANK YOU—I WILL LOVE THE NECK—ONG, ONG, ONG!

RED RYDER

BY GORN N' THE FOREST FIRE WILL HAVE COOLED OFF AND WE CAN GET OUTA HERE!

THANKS TO YOU, RYDER, WE'RE ALIVE!

IF RED IS CORRECT, WE FIRE WAS A DIRECT ATTEMPT ON OUR LIVES!

RED RYDER ALWAYS RIGHT!

THEN MAYBE HE CAN PROVE IT!

YOU BECHUN HIM CAN?

WHOA, LITTLE BEATER! I DO HAVE AN IDEA—BUT I'LL NEED A BREAK TO PROVE MY HUNCH—BEFORE GOVERNOR HOLLER IS KILLED!

ALLEY OOP

SO? YOUR BACK DOOR WASN'T QUITE BIG ENOUGH, EH? TOO BAD! AS MAD AS I AM, I JUST CAN'T BEAR TO SEE ANYBODY SUFFER LIKE THAT—I'LL HELP YOU OUT!

OH, PLEASE, MISTER OOP, WOULD YOU?

WHY, SURE, YOUR HIGHNESS, I'D LOVE TO—JUST HOLD STILL—YES, I'M READY!

ALL RIGHT, WUR? ABOUT THEM JEWELS OF MINE—I WANT 'EM BACK—RIGHT NOW!

OUR BOARDING HOUSE with MAJOR HOOPLE

NULETIDE GREETINGS! I HOPE ALL YOU BOYS HAVE FORGOTTEN THE PAST AND REMEMBERED THE PRESENT—KLIK-KLIK!

IT'D BE EASY TO BEAN HIM WITH THIS ORNAMENT, BUT I'VE GOT THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT—I'LL PRETEND I DIDN'T HEAR THAT MILDREDED GAG!

WITH JAKE HERE AND A TURKEY ON THE GOAL LINE, THE MEALS WILL BE A GRUELLING CONTEST THE NEXT FEW DAYS!

UM! I'LL PLACE THIS MISTLETOE ABOVE THE KITCHEN DOOR AND ASTOUND MARTHA!

THE SEASON OF GIVING, AND TAKING—

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. WILLIAMS

OH, WHY OH WHY DOES HE DO THAT JUST BECAUSE THERE ARE SOME OF YOUR FRIENDS HE DOESN'T LIKE?

THAT'S O.K. BY ME! IT'S BETTER THAN HAVING HIM BLABBIN' TO THE ONES HE DOES LIKE TELLING ALL MY AND THE FAMILY'S BUSINESS!

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY!

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