

TANAR OF PELLUCIDAR

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CHAPTER FORTY
ACROSS the waters came commands for Tanar to lay to. The pursuing boats, which had set out under sail and already had acquired considerable momentum, appeared to be rapidly overhauling the smaller craft. But presently, as the speed of the latter increased, the distance between them seemed not to vary.

The shouts of the pursuers had attracted the attention of the sailors on board the anchored raider, and presently Tanar and Stellara heard the deep boom of a cannon and a heavy shot struck the water just off their starboard bow.

Tanar shook his head. "That is too close," he said. "I had better come about."

"Why?" demanded Stellara. "I do not mind risking capture," he said, "because in that event no harm will befall you when they discover your identity, but I can not risk the cannon shot, for if one of them strikes us you will be killed."

"Do not come about," cried the girl. "I would rather die here with you than be captured, for capture would mean death for you and then I should not care to live. Keep on, Tanar, we may outdistance them yet."

And as for their cannon shots, a small, moving boat like this is a difficult target and their marksmanship is none too good."

Again the cannon boomed and this time the ball passed over them and struck the water just beyond. "They are getting our range," said Tanar.

The girl moved close to his side where he sat by the tiller. "Put your arm around me, Tanar," she said. "If we must die, let us die together."

THE Sarian encircled her with his free arm and drew her close to him, and an instant later there was a terrific explosion from the direction of the raider that had been firing on them. Turning quickly toward the ship, they saw what had happened—an over-charged cannon had exploded.

"They are too anxious," said Tanar. "It was some time before another shot was fired and this one fell far astern, but the pursuing boats were clinging tenaciously to their wake."

"They are not gaining," said Stellara. "No," said Tanar, "and neither are we."

"But I think we shall after we reach the open sea," said the girl.

"We shall get more wind there and this boat is lighter and speedier than theirs. Fate smiled upon us when it led us to this boat rather than to a larger one."

As they approached the sea, their pursuers, evidently fearing precisely what Stellara had suggested, opened fire upon them with arquebuses and pistols. Occasionally a missile would come dangerously close, but the range was just a little too great for their primitive weapons and poor powder.

On they sailed out into the open Korsar Az, which stretched onward and upward into the concealing mist of the distance. Upon their left the sea ran inward forming a great bay, while almost directly ahead of them though at so great a distance that it was barely discernible, rose the dim outlines of a headland, and toward this Tanar held his course.

THE chase had settled down into a dogged test of endurance. It was evident that the Korsars had no intention of giving up their prey, even though the pursuit led to the opposite shore of the Korsar Az, and it was equally evident that Tanar entertained no thought of surrender.

On and on they sped, the pursued and the pursuers. Slowly the headland took shape before them, and later a great forest was visible to the left of it—a forest that ran down almost to the sea.

"You are making for land?" asked Stellara.

"Yes," replied the Sarian. "We have neither food nor water, and if we had I am not sufficiently a sailor to risk navigating this craft across the Korsar Az."

"But if we take to the land they will be able to trail us," said the girl.

"You forgot the trees, Stellara," the man reminded her.

"Yes, the trees," she cried. "I had forgotten. If we can reach the trees I believe that we shall be safe."

As they approached the shore inside the headland, they saw great combing rollers breaking among the rocks and the angry, sullen boom of the sea came back to their ears.

"No boat can live in that," said Stellara.

Tanar glanced up and down the shore-line as far as he could see and then he turned and let his eyes rest sadly upon his companion.

"It looks hopeless," he said. "If we had time to make the search we might find a safer landing place, but

within sight of us one place seems to be as good as another."
"Or as bad," said Stellara. "It can not be helped," said the Sarian. "To beat back now around promontory in an attempt to gain the open sea again, would so delay us that we should be overtaken and captured. We must take our chances in the surf, or turn about and give up."

Behind them their pursuers had come about and were waiting, rising and falling upon the great billows.

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50 Years Ago In Legislature

So-called "quack" doctors came in for their full share of criticism when the 1881 legislature considered a measure for regulating and improving the practice of medicine.

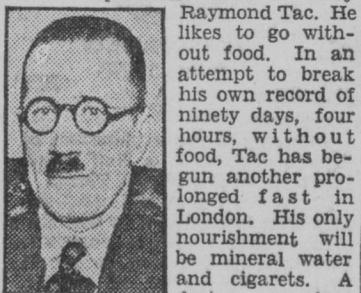
A bill creating a board of examiners and requiring practitioners to obtain certificates of qualifications was passed in the senate. A powerful lobby of druggists and traveling physicians worked against the measure.

There was a great amount of quibbling and quarreling among the senators over exact terms of the bill and Senator A. A. Shaffer, Huntington, told the senate that "if the Ten Commandments were brought before this body they would be amended before finally passed."

FASTS FOR NINETY DAYS

Englishman Is Out to Beat Long Hunger Record.

LONDON, March 2.—The economic depression doesn't worry Raymond Tac. He likes to go without food. In an attempt to break his own record of ninety days, four hours, with out food, Tac has begun another prolonged fast in London. His only nourishment will be mineral water and cigarettes. A doctor examines him each day.



Raymond Tac

CROOKS TO BE CURBED

Wisconsin Proposes Identification Bureau as an Aid.

MADISON, Wis., March 2.—Wisconsin crooks may have to contend with a state bureau for identification and detection of criminals.

Before the present legislature adjourns, it will have considered a bill appropriating \$50,000 for 1932 and \$25,000 annually in succeeding years for the establishment and maintenance of a bureau which will keep records of criminals by finger and palm measurements and photographs, and have the power to establish schools for training peace officers in apprehension and detection of criminals.

BOTTLE AFLOAT 4 YEARS

Journey of 6,000 Miles Estimated From Note Enclosed.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—Four years afloat is the record of a bottle tossed overboard by Captain G. G. Gellanders of the British steamer Burmese Prince, Dec. 8, 1926, and recently picked up among the Bahamas.

The paper in the bottle gave the latitude and longitude of its launching, which showed that it had drifted probably about six thousand miles. The find was reported by the hydrographic office of the United States navy.

MAD MEN MIMIC AND MOCK.
By inserting the letter "M" five times, as shown above, a sensible sentence can be formed.

Answer for Saturday

STICKERS

THE SUN IS DARTING RAYS OF GOLD UPON THE MOOD-ENCHANTING SPOT, WHOSE PURPLE HEIGHTS BY RONALD LOWE, UP OPEN TO HIS SHEPHERD COT.

AND SUNDRY DENIZENS OF AIR ARE FLYING AVE EACH TO HIS NEST, AND EAGER MAKE AT SUCH AN HOUR ALL HASTE TO REACH THE MANSIONS REST.

The names of eight English poets are in the above lines, in such a way that their letters, in their proper order, form parts of the different words in the verse. Can you find the eight names?

SATURDAY'S ANSWER

1 Formal dance. 2 Moist. 3 Group of Danish islands in Atlantic. 4 Simpleton. 5 Inducement. 6 Idea. 7 To eat away. 8 Sesame. 9 Two fives. 10 To arrange cloth gracefully. 11 Collection of facts. 12 Suitable. 13 Louisiana. 14 Legal rule. 15 Lounge. 16 Ingenious. 17 Right of hold.

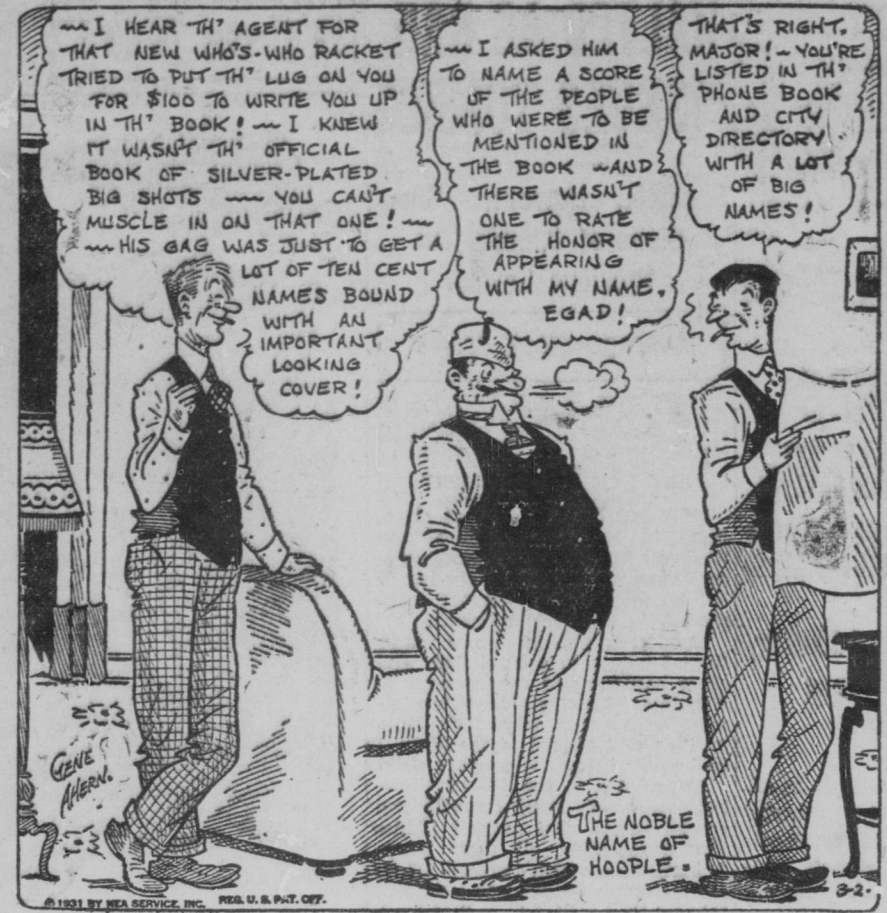
VERTICAL
1 Bandmaster's stick. 2 Dry. 3 Adored. 4 Sheltered place. 5 Noise. 6 Clay house. 7 A very little. 8 Tip. 9 Warning cry in golf. 11 Character of sound. 12 Encountered. 14 Born. 16 Hackneyed. 20 Rudent. 21 Opportune. 24 To perform. 25 Piece of poetry. 26 Garment. 27 Before. 28 Growing out. 29 Marks. 30 To affirm. 31 Married. 33 Attractive. 35 Social insects. 37 Before. 38 Male cat.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

—By Ahern

OUT OUR WAY

—By Williams



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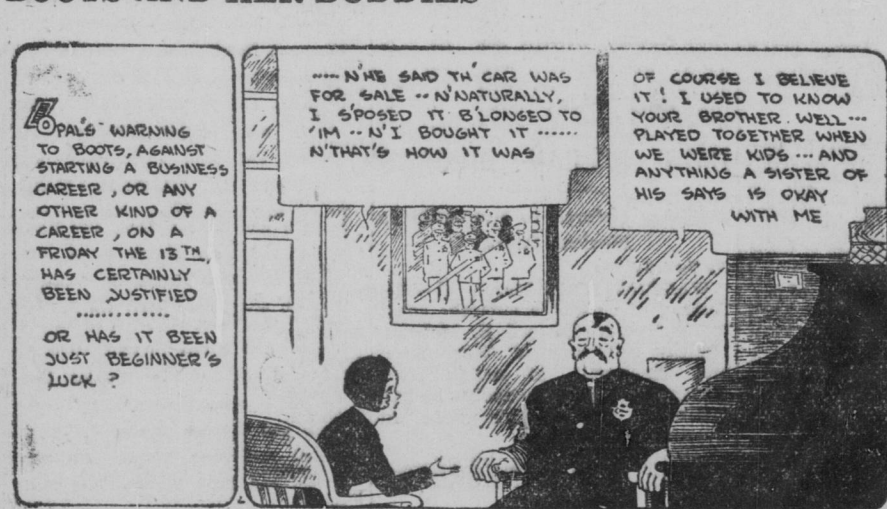
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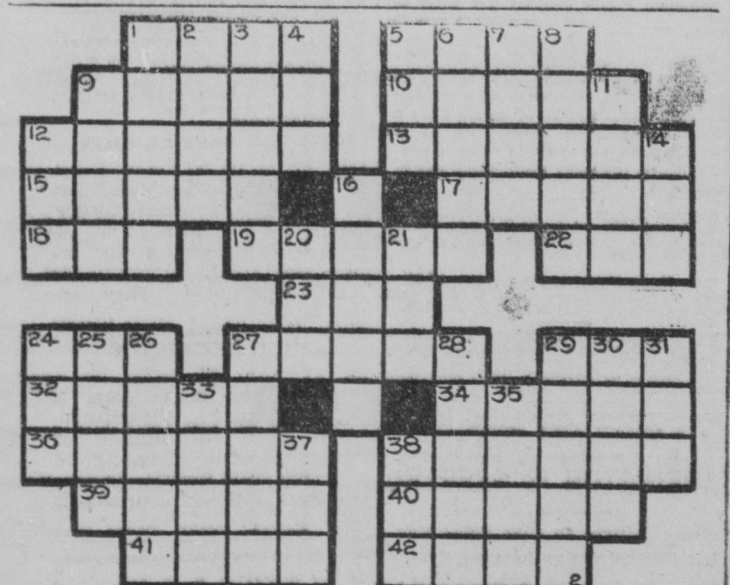


Party Garb for 'Boots'



Now which of these party dresses do you think "Boots" should wear first? Here they are—two of the loveliest party dresses a girl ever wore and you can cut them out and fit them on the figure of

"Boots" which was published the other day. If you'll get out your colored crayons, or water colors, you can color these dresses to suit your fancy. There will be another costume, the last one, for "Boots" in this newspaper tomorrow.



HORIZONTAL
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