

Rich, Poor All Dress Alike In Arizona

PHOENIX, Ariz. (UP)—Arizona is a risky place for an eastern gold digger to go prospecting.

A girl just can't tell who is a millionaire and who is a cowhand and everyone will agree that there is quite a difference.

Out here where cattle kings are a dime a dozen, a lot of the richest men dress as though they were poor, the poorest dress as though they were rich and a girl never knows which stickpins are diamonds and which are only paste.

I learned my lesson, all right. I snubbed a grimy-looking gent in dirty old blue jeans, scuffed boots and a mended shirt. He was smoking cigarettes he rolled himself.

Dress for Easterners

Alas, I learned too late he was one of the richest men in Arizona. The dolled-up feller on whose arm I was clinging worked for the chamber of commerce.

Many of the men who wear 10-gallon hats, boots and skin-tight blue jeans admit that the only time they dress that way is when easterners come west to look them over. The rest of the time they look just like anybody else.

When 70 mid-western and eastern newspaper writers arrived in Phoenix on American Airlines' inaugural \$110 cross-country air coach flight, they were greeted by as tough-looking a bunch of hombers as ever walked across a Hollywood "western" set.

Reporter "Strung Up"

In Tucson, the deputy sheriffs arrived in a posse, shooting off revolvers (blanks) and they strung up one defenseless, muscleless newsman with a noose. (He escaped.)

Policemen carried female reporters on the backs of their motorcycles the way Roy Rogers carries cowgirls on his horse's rump.

It was revealed at a barbecue in a barn (the barn having been recently constructed for feeding humans, not horses) that all the big doings were strictly chamber of commerce.

The instructions that went out to the entertainment committee had said: "Dress western".

But it didn't matter. All the easterners wound up in 10-gallon hats, too, and even reporters began looking like Arizona millionaires.

STATE'S NEW ALCOHOLICS' REHABILITATION CENTER TO OPEN SOON

North Carolina's new center at Camp Butler for the treatment of alcoholics will open within the next 60 days. The program will use the latest methods in the rehabilitation of alcohol victims.

NOAH NUMSKULL

WALL EYED NEVER BELIEVED IT WE HADN'T SEEN IT WITH MY OWN WALL EYES!

DEAR NOAH—DID THE PIKE GET WALL EYED FROM WATCHING THE CAT FISH?

E. BECK, ALLENTOWN, PA.

DEAR NOAH—DOES A CHIROPRACTOR USE A LOT OF BACK TALK IN DIAGNOSING A SPINAL AILMENT?

CHESTNUT, PONTIAC, MICH.

SEND YOUR ACTIONS TO NOAH

RESCUED AT SEA IN FLOATING BOAT



FOUND UNCONSCIOUS in a drifting motorboat near Los Angeles Harbor, San Pedro, Calif., Mrs. Karl Felka, 38, was saved from possible death by Sea Scouts who overtook the craft. Police hope to get an explanation of the mystery when she comes out of the coma. Mrs. Felka is the wife of a doctor, now in Anchorage, Alaska. (International Soundphoto)

Guggenheim Fellow



The Guggenheim Foundation has awarded a fellowship to Dr. George Willard Wharton, Jr. (above), associate professor of Zoology at Duke University. Under the fellowship, his project will be a systematic study of the chiggers of Mexico and their relationship to the North American fauna. (AP Photo)

Free Beer for Watchman Solves Sweater Thefts

PHILADELPHIA (UP)—Knitting mill owners suspected more than moths lay behind the disappearance of \$2,500 worth of sweaters.

Detectives found the sweaters had been disappearing in dribbles for nearly three months, but could not figure out how. They settled down to a policy of watchful waiting and were rewarded when they stopped a man leaving the plant with a package containing eight sweaters.

The "mystery" cleared up then. He explained he and some friends had been buying the sweaters by trading beers to a thirsty night watchman.

The watchman, 61-year-old James Rafferty, was charged with larceny and removed from further temptation.

DUKE PLANT TO OPEN IN JUNE

The new \$17,000,000 Dan River plant of the Duke Power Company at Leaksville will open formally June 8. The new two-unit outfit can generate a total 140,000,000 watts of power.

Many U. S. Bridges Found Unsafe for Trucks

WASHINGTON (UP)—Only 1,607 of the 12,048 bridges on the nation's five major highways are designed or rated to sustain the weight of a 20-ton truck, according to a new Congressional report on "highway needs of the national defense."

However, there isn't a state in the nation which has a truck weight limitation of 20 tons or less. Thirty-three states allow trucks weighing 30 tons or more and one state allows trucks weighing 68 tons.

Recently at Little Falls, N. J., a wooden bridge posted with a weight limit of eight tons collapsed after a trailer-truck weighing 44 tons passed over it. The state's legal limit is 30 tons.

An increasing number of bridge failures is reported by most states and in Ohio 70 bridges have failed completely in the past two years.

MOVES IN ON COURT

RUMFORD, Me. (UP)—Opening their weekly meeting in the municipal courtroom, Boy Scouts turned on the lights and found John Bayeras sleeping beneath the judge's desk. The Scouts called police, who removed Bayeras and brought him back to the courtroom next day on a drunkenness charge.

AUTOS TO BE CHECKED

State Highway Patrolmen this month are watching particularly for mechanical defects in automobiles. The State Motor Vehicles Department says its May program of traffic education will concentrate on the "bugs" in cars and trucks. Mechanical defects were involved in 47 fatal accidents last year.

Aerial Patrol Speeds Power Line Inspections



Patrolmen of the Carolina Power and Light Company are taking to the air for inspection of far-flung transmission lines. The aerial inspection has eliminated three fourths of the foot patrol work formerly required. One plane in three hours can check as much line as eight men afoot in three days. Left: Inspector Charles Pack observes the condition of lines and poles in a flight near Florence, S. C. His pilot is H. A. Moorer. Right: The small patrol plane flies low beside a transmission line to give Pack a close-up view of wires and poles. The company has headquarters in Raleigh. (AP)

REALLY LIKE THEIR SCHOOL

HOLT, Mich. (UP)—Students of the Holt high school are so proud of their school they spent part of their spring vacation scrubbing and painting it. The students went to work in two shifts and finished the major part of the job in two days.

JUST AN OLD CYNIC

SOUTH MIAMI, Fla. (UP)—A voter here said a proposal to reduce South Miami's city commission from seven to five members seemed very sensible to him. "That means there'll be only five-sevenths as much confusion," he pointed out.

WIFIE CHECKS UP

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (UP)—The elderly, well-dressed man went into a cafe and hastily ordered something to eat. He seemed harried and probably had a right to be — his wife was outside in their car, watching his every move through a telescope.

Library Notes



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SOME OF OUR NEWEST FICTION

FENISONG—III Wind

Limpet Cay in the Bahamas seemed an earthly paradise to its owner who was a millionaire sportsman, until he brought a dilapidated night club troupe down for a holiday. Ancient voodoo combined with modern racketeering brought eye-opening results.

AMORY—Home Town

A novel of modern metropolitan manners. New York is the scene for the story of a writer from Arizona who refused to be glamorized by the big-city promoters and celebrity hunters.

STREET—Mingo Dabney

Mingo Dabney was the last of the gallant clan—a black-browed giant, high-spirited and full of his love for Rafaela Galban, the beautiful Cuban girl who had become a symbol of her countrymen's revolt against Spanish tyranny. Yet Mingo Dabney, his head held high as he rode his white horse from Lebanon that frosty night in 1895, little dreamed that he had seen the last of his home, and that his quest for Rafaela was to plummet him into the midst of Cuban revolt.

STEELE—Debby

This novel is a character study focused upon the title character, a child-minded woman brought from a Home for Delinquent Women in a southern state to become a loved member of the Merrill family for many years until her death in her sixties.

SEIFERT—Homecoming

The General comes home after World War II and is interviewed by the press. His publicized story is quite different from his actual life—told in flashbacks. The steady influence of the small town, near which he was born and the power of a disciplined life are glorified in this short novel.

LANCASTER—Phantom Fortress

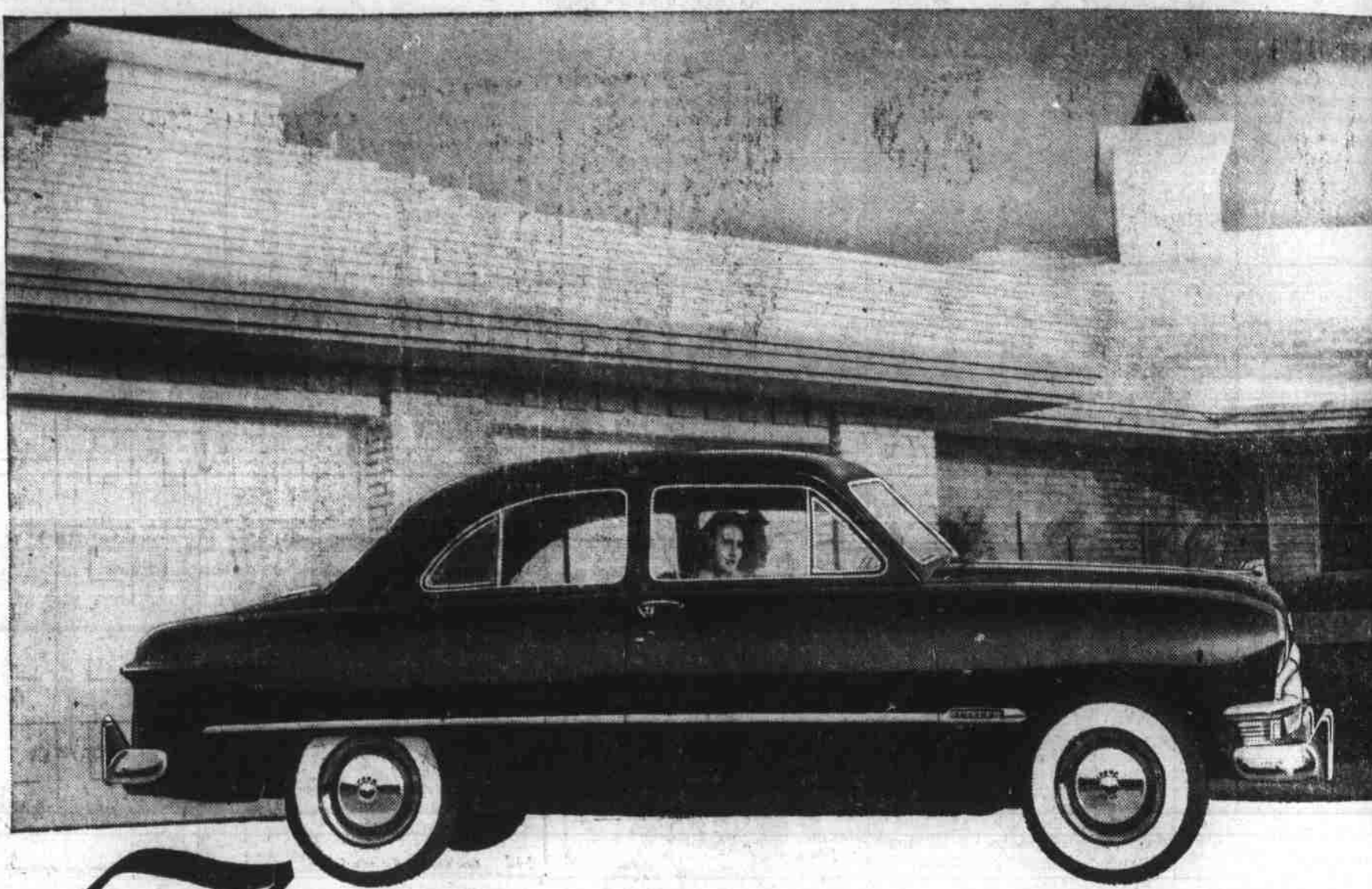
The background is Francis Marion's brilliant guerilla campaign against the British in the Carolinas. Young American officer Ross, veteran of the fighting in the North, serves under the Swamp Fox (Marion) . . . and a French girl joins them as a secret agent.

See Our Want Ads For Bargains

No Acrobat



THERE was no net to catch William Atterbar, 14, of the Bronx, New York, when he tried to imitate a circus feat. Attempting to cross from a neighboring window to his home, the youngster fell 30 feet. Painfully hurt, he is carried away on a stretcher. (International)



Ford does it again

Ford's the first car ever to receive the coveted New York Fashion Academy medal in two consecutive years

Named "Fashion Car of the Year" second year in a row

All the world of Fashion looks to New York's famed Fashion Academy as an authority on style. So it's no wonder Ford is proud to receive their medal as "Fashion Car of the Year" for the second straight year. Never before was a car honored by two Fashion Academy Awards in a row! Here's proof that Ford has succeeded in bringing style to the low-price field—that even far costlier cars can't match.



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