

My Favorite Stories

By CARL GOERCH

When Wilkins P. Horton was running for governor a number of years ago, he was scheduled to speak over WPTF in Raleigh on a Friday night, two weeks before the primary. He discovered that his itinerary called for two speeches that day in the eastern part of the state and that he couldn't possibly get back to Raleigh in time for the broadcast. So he got in touch with the station and asked them if it would be possible for him to make the broadcast from Washington, North Carolina.

They told him it was.

Wilkins said that he would like to deliver the talk from the home of his good friend, William B. Rodman.

The folks at the station said it was O.K. with them.

So early that afternoon, Graham Povner, program director for WPTF, and Henry Hulick, chief engineer, left Raleigh in the station truck for Washington. The trip was made without special incident

and, after one or two inquiries, they found out where Mr. Rodman lived.

They stopped the truck in front of his house, got out their equipment, took it up on the front porch and rang the bell.

A young boy, about thirteen years of age, answered the door. "Is this where Mister Rodman lives?" asked Graham.

"Yes, sir."

"We're from the radio station in Raleigh and want to set up our equipment for Mr. Horton's broadcast tonight."

"Yes, sir. Come on in."

Graham and Henry picked up their supplies and entered the living room. Then they got busy so that everything would be ready for the broadcast. The Rodman boy watched them with keen interest.

"What's your name, son?" asked Henry.

"Edward Rodman."

"I wonder if you could get us an ordinary kitchen chair on which we could put some of this stuff."

"Yes, sir."

The boy went out. In a minute or so he strolled back in again.

"Where's the chair?" asked Henry.

"What chair?"

"The chair we told you to get."

"I don't know anything about any chair."

Graham looked at Henry, and Henry looked at Graham. They looked significantly.

"Well, never mind," said Henry. "But look here; we need a hammer. Could you get us a hammer?"

"Yes, sir." And he left the room.

But when he came back instead of a hammer, he had the chair in his hands.

"Do you remember about the chair after all, did you?" said Graham.

"Yes, sir. Here it is."

"Thanks a lot. And did you bring the hammer, too?"

"What hammer?"

"The hammer I told you to get just a minute ago," almost screamed Henry.

"You didn't tell me anything about any hammer. All you told me to bring in was a chair."

Henry and Graham quit connecting up wires to their contraption, they regarded the boy seriously, with a trace of pity.

"Do you mean to say," said Graham slowly, "that you've forgotten about our asking you to bring in the hammer?"

"I haven't forgotten; you didn't tell me."

"The hell we—" began Henry somewhat excitedly, but Graham shushed him. And then, turning to the boy:

"That's all right, son. Just forget about it."

"I'll get a hammer for you if you want one," offered the youngster.

"All right. Go ahead."

He went on out.

"Wonder what in the world ails that kid?" inquired Henry of Graham.

"Probably just a little absent-

Survives Fall



SURVIVING a fall from a third-story window, Florence McKay, 2, snuggles in her mother's arms in a Los Angeles Hospital. The child had apparently pushed out a screen while at play. Doctors said her condition was "good."

"minded," suggested Graham. "He looks bright enough, but he certainly acts peculiarly," grumbled Henry, going ahead with his work of getting the equipment in shape.

They were hard at it, the two of them, when the boy returned with the hammer. They thanked him and he stood to one side, regarding their operations with keen interest. Henry was setting up the microphone—the boy was standing

This Is The LAW

By ROBERT E. LEE
(For the N. C. Bar Association)
CAPTURED ANIMALS

White and Black were separately hunting on the land of Brown. Each had Brown's permission to hunt on the land. White's hound dogs found and started to chase a fox. White and his dogs were pursuing the fox when Black, well knowing the fox was so hunted and pursued, shot and killed the fox in the sight of White. Black picked up the fox and started to carry it off. White claimed the fox. Who is entitled to the legal ownership of the fox?

Most sportsmen would probably say that White was entitled to the fox. But a famous New York decision correctly held, from a legal viewpoint, that Black was the owner of the fox.

Black was the first to acquire possession of the fox. He was the one that fired the shot and stopped the running fox. Neither had any legal property rights in the wild fox up to this time.

Although Black's conduct was uncourteous and not in keeping with good sportsmanship, no legal rights of White had been interfered with.

The mere pursuit of a wild animal does not confer upon the pursuer any legal rights.

It is not, however, necessary

behind him—when all of a sudden he looked up at the sound of approaching footsteps. Through the dining room doors came the boy with a hammer.

"Here's your hammer," he announced politely.

For a second Henry stared at him with popped eyes and mouth wide open.

"Graham!" he whispered hoarsely.

Graham looked up from his work. Henry pointed toward the door. "Do you see what I see?" he inquired.

Graham looked and blinked. Then he let his eyes wander from one boy to the other. Finally the answer came to him and he laughed. "Oh—Twins, are you?"

"Yes sir," said both the boys in concert.

"Thank heavens!" said Henry fervently and with a big sigh of relief.

"I'm Edward," said Edward.

"And I'm Farnell," said Farnell.

After which Henry and Graham finished their work without any further excitement, and the broadcast later on went off all right.

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