



By ALAN BROWNING, Jr.

ABE HARRIS

What with a new Frigidaire advertising campaign coming on and everything, it behooves us to deal very kindly and gently with the celebrity to be presented today—Elkin's premiere electrician and fuse plug screwer inner, Abe Harris.



Abe, as he is known to all and sundry, is the guiding light of an electrical family. He is owner of the Harris-Burgiss Electric company, dealer in radios, washing machines, electric cleaners, light bulbs, electrical refrigerators, and whatnot. Yet despite his success as a dealer in appliances for kilowatts, he is comparatively young, having just passed his 31st birthday last week.

When we mention him as being of an electrical family, we take into consideration the fact that his brother Nux Harris is connected with the Duke Power Co., here, as is also another brother, Fletch, who presides over the monthly bill department and who always

writes us a letter about the 15th of every month.

But getting back to Abe, we find him a young man of very pleasing personality who always insists upon putting his entire force of electricians at your disposal when a fuse plug burns out. Most of the time Abe will come himself, bearing the fuse plug, while behind will be one man to unscrew and take out the old plug; another man to comment on the situation as it is being corrected, and yet another man to go back to the shop in case anything has been forgotten.

But despite all this, it is a pleasure to have what Mr. Roosevelt would probably call "abundant service", at one's call all the time.

In addition to being a member of the Elkin Kiwanis club, Mr. Harris is also a member in good standing of the Elkin fire department. When it comes to breaking windows he has a technique all his own, and it is said he's second only to Ted Brown in the matter of cutting gaping holes in the queerest places whenever a fire breaks out. However, unlike Ted, who often drives the fire truck, Abe always uses his own car when going to fires as he wants to be on the scene in time to see what kind of building it was that burned down.

But despite all we've said about him, Abe's a pretty pleasant and likeable fellow. He's friendly and jovial, works hard and apparently spends a good deal of his time minding his own business. And more than that we can say about no man.

THIS AND THAT

We received a letter about a week or more ago from a young lady who signed her name "Virginia", and

who forgot to sign her last name (or rather she did sign it and then erased it), who pointed out that our recent tales about the severity of winters gone by were as nothing to those remembered by her grandfather.

"Grandpa," her letter said, "was on his way to town one night in a raging snow storm. Becoming exhausted, he decided to stop and rest, so tossing the reins over a nearby snag, he went to sleep."

The letter at this point was a little vague, anyway, when the storm was over and the snow had melted, grandpa found his horse swinging to the top of a church steeple, the letter said.

The kids and their mother were out back of the house the other night burning some briars and other trash while we, having been rather severely bitten by an overgrown flu germ, were forced to remain at a window indoors. It seemed they were having trouble getting the trash to burn when our youngest popped up with the suggestion that we send for the fire truck, "then everything will burn plum up."

Wonder where he got such an idea?

We got credit for sending about half the comic valentines that were sent in Elkin this year, when truth of the matter is, we didn't send a single, solitary one. And, strange enough, we didn't receive any, either.

While some of the comic valentines this year were really comic, others were downright mean.

We were reading an article in The State the other day about how to prevent accidents and deaths on the highways. The writer pointed out that whenever a person broke any traffic law, he be arrested and, regardless of whether he was the butcher boy or a big official, be fined or otherwise dealt with as the law provides.

The article read good and contained a lot of logic. However, who remembers a certain new patrolman in a certain small town who started out doing just as the law says, without regard for who or what a person was, and who, within a few weeks after he had been in this small town was transferred quietly and without fuss to another town?

Most people nowadays are heartily in favor of police enforcing the law—just so long as it doesn't in-

terfere with their own particular brand of law violation. They are the ones who would say—in a case where a patrolman was quietly transferred to another town—"he got off on the wrong foot." What they would really mean is—he stepped on the wrong feet.

But so things go, it seems.

Joseph Eberhardy of Vrskaz, Jugoslavia, drank 50 gallons of wine in ten days, and was found dead beneath the cask.

NOTICE
Sale of Valuable Lands

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Surry County, as Commissioner, I will sell at public auction at the late residence of H. T. Dinkins, near Crutchfield, on Saturday, the 28th day of March, 1936, at one o'clock P. M., the following real estate: one tract of land containing about 61 acres, adjoining the Dalt Moseley land, the land known as the S. H. Gough land and others, and being known as a part of the Ira Reece lands lying near the hard-surfaced road, also about 9 lots on and near the hard-surfaced

road, as allotted by S. W. Garner and L. S. Reece, also one acre of land with a house on it about one mile from Crutchfield, known as the old Chaney School house and lot. Terms of sale cash on confirmation. Sale will be made for assets to pay debts against the estate of H. T. Dinkins, this being the H. T. Dinkins property. This property is all close to Crutchfield Station and must go at this sale to finish paying debts.

Also at the same time and place as Commissioner I will sell about 19 lots on the Hard-surfaced road as shown by the S. W. Garner survey on which is situated the dwelling house where H. T. Dinkins and wife lived at the time of their deaths and which belonged to Mollie E. Dinkins at the time of her death. This land will be sold for division among the heirs at law. Terms of sale for these lots is one-half cash on confirmation and the remainder to be paid December 1, 1936. The above described farm of 61 acres lies just back of these lots and adjoins them, all of which will make a desirable home on the hard-surfaced road.

This February 22nd, 1936.

W. L. REECE,
Commissioner.

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"FRISCO KID"

March 12-13—
"The Three Musketeers"

NEXT WEEK

MONDAY-TUESDAY—

SHE KNEW MEN

... and it was her "No" that kept them guessing!

Wait till you see the NEW **JEAN HARLOW!** Her gorgeous hair is "honey-brown" now!

Jean as the ravishing girl from Shantytown who knew where the bright lights shone! You'll say she's even more thrilling than in "China Seas!"

JEAN HARLOW
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