

Norsemen's Struggle For Freedom Depicted On Screen

Fight Against Nazi Invader Portrayed In "The Avengers," Opening At Sigma Theatre Wednesday

Thrillingly dramatizing the spirit of defiance and will to freedom of the people of Norway in their struggle against the Nazi invaders, "The Avengers" come to the Sigma on Wednesday. Tense, dramatic and spectacular, the picture, starring Hugh Williams and Deborah Kerr, deals with the Norwegian underground movement. "Varsity Show," popular musical film, also will show Wednesday. "The Moon and Sixpence" and "Seven Miles From Alcatraz" will show thru Tuesday.

The Ohio currently is showing the powerful drama, "Casablanca," which has Humphrey Bogart, Ingrid Bergman and Paul Henreid in the leading roles. It is a film about the hazardous existence of refugees stranded in that north Africa city. This thrilling hit will show until Friday when "Andy Hardy's Double Life," begins an engagement.

One of the most thrilling pictures produced in recent months "China Girl," currently is flashing on the Quilna screen. The picture is packed with romance and adventure and it stars lovely Gene Tierney, Hollywood newcomer George Montgomery and a long time favorite, Lynn Bari.

Commencing Tuesday at the Lyric and showing thru Thursday will be "Lure of the Islands," an unusual picture starring Margie Hart. Also showing at the Lyric is "Criminal Investigator," an action-packed drama with youthful Edith Fellows and John Miljan, the final days for the showing of "George Washington Slept Here," at the State theatre. This laugh riot stars the radio comedian Jack Benny, lovely Ann Sheridan and Charles Coburn. The State also is showing "Destination Unknown," a suspenseful, fast moving melodrama of undercover intrigue in the Orient.

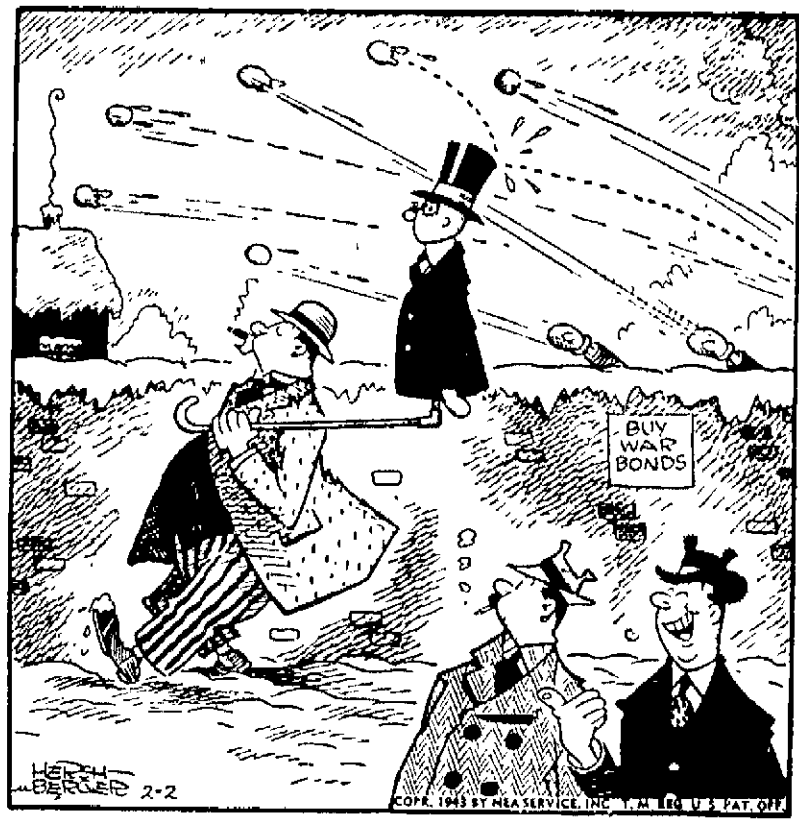
With the war reaching new heights of fury and the underground movements throughout Europe playing ever more important roles in this global struggle Hollywood has crashed thru with one of the most exciting pictures of the season in "The Avengers," a powerful romance with the battle of the Atlantic and the struggle against the Nazi invaders of Norway as background. The film opens Wednesday at the Sigma theatre.

Produced by Paul Soskin and directed by Harold French, "The Avengers" stars Ralph Richardson and Griffith Jones. Others in the cast are Francis L. Sullivan, as Vetter, Nazi goateer; Roland Culver, as a British naval officer; Finlay Currie, as Alstad, a heroic Norwegian sea captain who gives his life when, with a flashlight, he guides a squadron of R.A.F. bombers to a secret U-boat base in a remote fjord.

Made in England with the cooperation of the Norwegian Government-in-Exile and the British War Office, "The Avengers" is a romantic drama of a British newspaperman who stumbles on German invasion plans. "The Avenger" shows in brilliant fashion how the heroic people under the Nazi tyranny are striking back at their oppressors. According to critics, it's a picture that should be on everybody's "must" list.

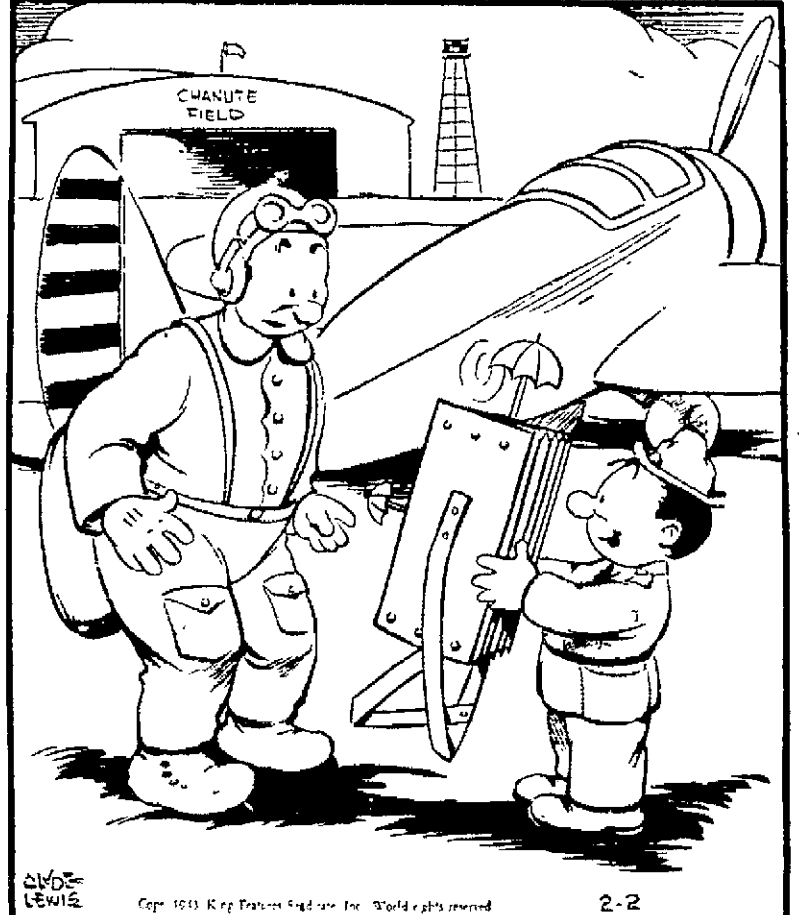
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FUNNY BUSINESS



"By carrying a decoy high hat he makes his derby last all winter!"

PRIVATE BUCK By Clyde Lewis



"Would you mind testing this new parachute I invented? If it works, I'll give you a half-interest!"

himself in grease for scenes in "China Girl," in which he appears stripped to the waist. Instead he merely sunned between shots. He got the tan, all right; but in every scene it grew a little deeper. To make all scenes match, Lee Garmes, the chief lensman, had to keep careful check of his lighting, so that no discrepancies would show.

Appearing as a fighting, romantic Yank, Montgomery is starred with Gene Tierney and Lynn Bari in the adventure-packed film at the Quilna theatre.

Victor McLaglen tops the featured cast of the film which includes Alan Baxter, Sig Ruman, Myron McCormick and Bobby Blake. Henry Hathaway directed and Ben Hecht produced.

BLUFFTON GIRLS ENTER SERVICE

BLUFFTON, Feb. 2 — Three Bluffton girls are now in the WAACS and one in the WAVES.

In the WAACS are Mary Jane Carr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Carr, north of Bluffton, Martha Edgecomb, daughter of Mrs. Bessie Edgecomb, Miss Hope Kincaid, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kincaid. In the WAVES is Mary Elsie Heckathorne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Heckathorne, former Bluffton residents.

Miss Carr is in training at the Des Moines, Iowa center. Miss Edgecomb left Sunday for the Iowa camp and Miss Kincaid, who has passed all of the preliminary tests is awaiting call at the home of her parents here.

TO CONDUCT SERVICES

Neal Boertje and Frank Brower will conduct services daily at 7:30 p. m., Feb. 2-7, at the First Menonite church.

Gracie Will Solve Labor Problems On Air Tuesday

Gals Who Make 'Em Will Compete With Guys Who Man Ships In Weekly 'Battle Of The Sexes'

With servants at a premium these days, Gracie Allen will work out a system of home-labor exchange between members of the Beverly Hills Uplift society which will give George dyspepsia, during the Burns and Allen broadcast, Tuesday, over WAIB at 9 p. m. Tootsie Sagwell, the first member to volunteer for maid duty, will rout out the Burns household in the early hours of the morning to give them the kind of service that will end all service.

The gals who make 'em will have a go at the guys who man 'em, when a team of feminine shipbuilders from the Todd Ship Yards match wits with a team of men from the Merchant Marine on "Battle of the Sexes" Tuesday, WJAF, 9 p. m.

The "Long Range" doughty hero of screen and radio, finds he has strayed entirely too far from the range of movie camera or purple sage when he hitches up at "Duffy's for Ed 'Archie' Gardner's broadcast over WJZ on Tuesday at 8:30 p. m.

The dramatic story of the great anti-submarine patrol maintained by the Navy on the Eastern Sea Frontier to protect United Nations cargo ships, will be related on the "This Nation at War" broadcast Tuesday at 10:30 p. m., over WJZ.

Other high spots in the story will come from Akron, O., on the production of "Goodbye, Blimp," Boston for a pick-up from a minesweeper, and finally Floyd Bennett Field from the "ready room" of an air squadron which patrols this area.

When Ezra Blake, captain of a fishing schooner, is found dead with a harpoon thru his chest, James Byron, a member of his crew, is accused of murder and arraigned in a trial which will be dramatized during "Famous Jury Trials," Tuesday at 9:00 p. m. over WJZ.

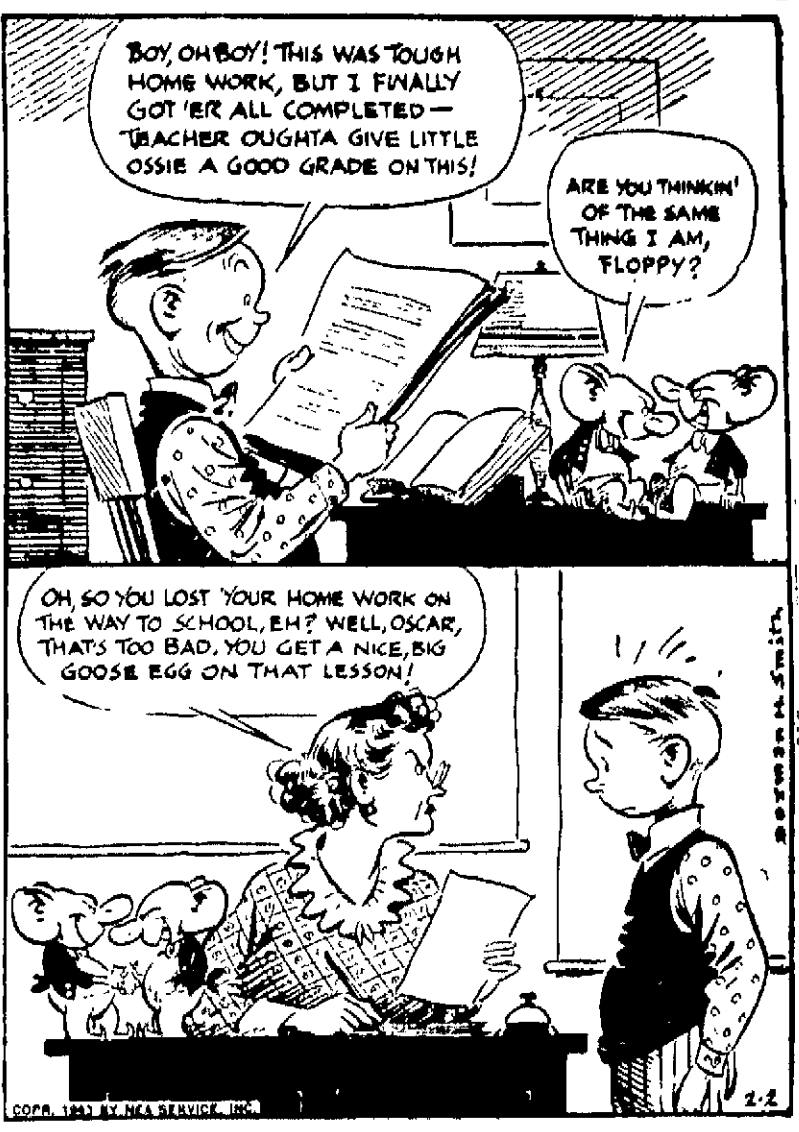
NEW YORK, Feb. 2 (AP)—Listeners have been taking their pens in hand again. This time it is not penny-consequence letters to the mother of a Marine, but comment, mostly caustic, about the multiplied jingle, "The Best Tunes of All Move to Carnegie Hall," that has been spread over three programs on two networks for a week or so.

From the tone of the letters, most of which are being directed to the sponsor at a rate estimated around 40 per cent more than normal, it would seem the listeners either are puzzled over the purpose behind the jingle or are concerned over the frequent use.

The program to replace information, which takes on a new sponsor and new night on Feb. 15, is a hit parade based on the songs of the past.

TWO DIE IN PLANE
GLADHIE, Kan., Feb. 2 (INS)—Authorities today investigated the crash of a training plane at the O-1 Naval base in which Lieut. F. A. Frizzell, instructor, and Aviation Cadet Byron H. Wilson, 25, of Groton, Mass., were killed.

THE GREMLINS



"OH SO YOU LOST YOUR HOME WORK ON THE WAY TO SCHOOL, EH? WELL, OSCAR, THAT'S TOO BAD, YOU GET A NICE, BIG GOOSE EGG ON THAT LESSON!"

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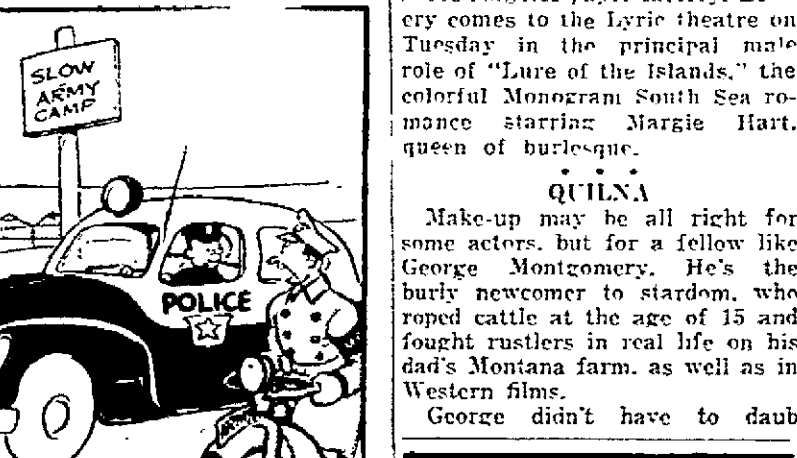
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ENTERTAINS CLUB
DELPHOS, Feb. 2—Mrs. Guy Tilton, Monday evening, entertained the members of Delphos Tourist club in her home, N. Bredeick-st.

HOLD EVERYTHING



"Well, where's the fire?"

the place for a date

DANCE at the HOTEL WALDO Rathskeller

LYRIC 3 BIG DAYS STARTING TODAY

MARGIE HART

The girl who stopped a thousand shows. The burlesque lady of allure.

Lure of the ISLANDS

2nd BIG HIT—ROBERT LOWERY EDITH FELLOWS CRIMINAL INVESTIGATOR

SIGMA TOMORROW

FOR EVERYTHING YOU'VE DONE TO ME—YOU NAZI SWINE—YOU'LL FEEL THE FURY OF... The Avengers with RALPH RICHARDSON Deborah Kerr - Hugh Williams

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And every minute of every day the food trains roll toward the fighting fronts — potatoes from Maine, fruit from Florida, beef from Texas, grain from the prairie states, canned goods from California, dairy products from the Great Lakes Region.

To our armed forces at home... to MacArthur's fighters... to the boys in Iceland and North Africa... to the sailors who man our fighting ships. They're rolling toward Britain, toward Russia and China to help our fighting allies. Yes, thousands upon thousands of carloads of food are moving over America's Railroads every week.

All this in addition to keeping America's home front eating—and eating well.

No, Adolf... no, Tojo... you can't lick us in the food war, either. You can't even come close! And, 60,000 E & O workers, backing up fighting sons and brothers, are going to see that the food gets through to them... plenty, and on time!

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LEGAL NOTICE
Sealed bids will be received by the Trustees of Bath Township, Allen County, Ohio, until noon on the 23rd day of February, 1943, for the sale of the nine corner lots of Bath Township. Bid will be required of interested bidder. Trustees reserve the right to reject any or all bids. By order of Township Trustees.

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LEGAL NOTICE
IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ALLEN COUNTY, OHIO
Tenzler Melnich, plaintiff, vs. Nora Meentzen, defendant
The defendant's last known address was 2555-5565 Kentucky, will take notice that plaintiff has filed his action in this court in the above entitled matter, praying for divorce.