

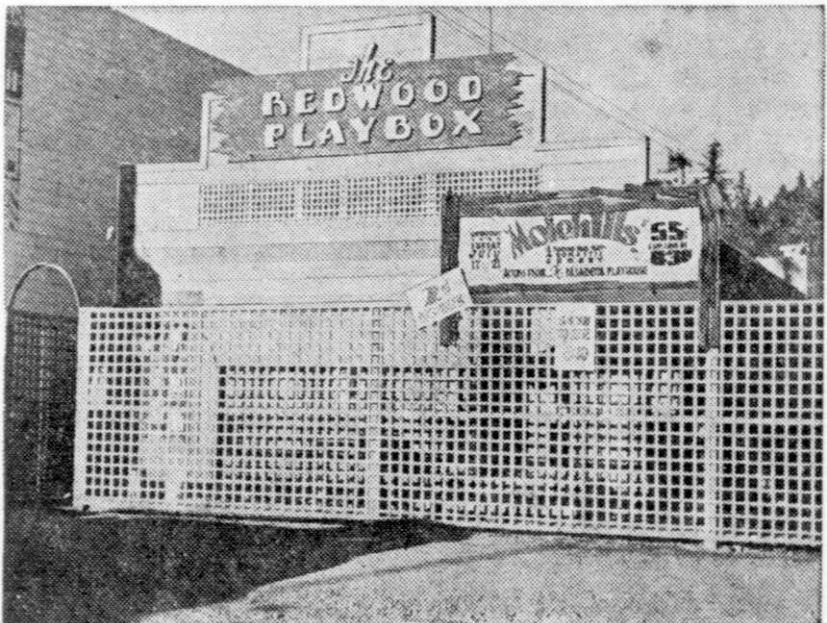
Thespians Build Their Own Theater in Redwood Forest

Having graduated from the Pasadena Community School of the Theater, eight young, enthusiastic Thespians decided that wherever people congregated a theater could be built, with reasonable hope of success. So they went to Garberville, California, a thriving community in the heart of the giant redwood forests, which attracts visitors from all parts of the world. Here they built the "Redwood Playbox"—the first of a series of stepping stones to stage or screen fame. At the end of their first "season" the Redwood Playbox group have their own theater, sets and costumes all paid for, and a profit of \$100 in the bank.

The Thespians all got jobs to begin with, some working in stores, restaurants and on nearby farms. At the left is Mary Alyce Harnish, who became a "soda jerk."



Each member of the Redwood Playbox has majored in a special field, apart from their ability as an actor. One is a scenic designer, another a stage technician, a commercial artist, and so on. At the right is David Brenner, a grocery clerk. All have fine singing voices.

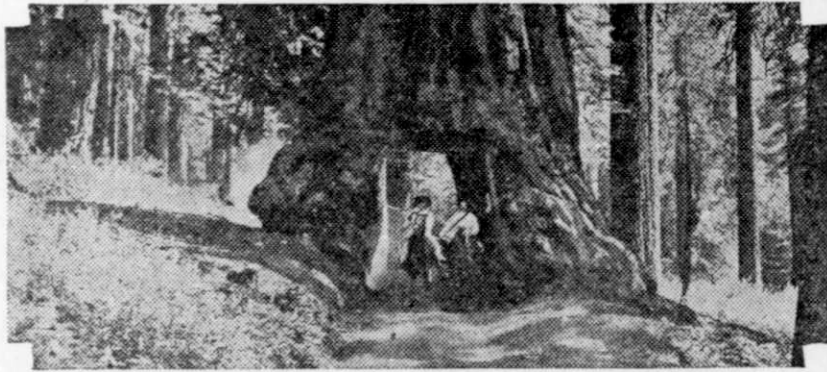


Above—the attractive rustic redwood theater built by the Thespians during their spare time. It seats 75 people comfortably—that is, as comfortably as wooden benches can seat them. The players made their own stage sets, sewed their own costumes and built their own technical equipment, consisting of tin can spot and border lights; a spaghetti box and a lot of ordinary house wire became a switchboard.



Left—Interior of Redwood Playbox dressing room. The opening play was "Mr. and Mrs. Phipps," by John Hamilton. It ran for seven days, and was held over by popular request for 12 days more. Among the plays given this year were "Molehill" and "The Locked Door."

Phyllis Benbow is shown by the guest book. Notables such as Spencer Tracy, Governor Culbert L. Olson of California, ex-President Hoover, and many others of prominence have been guests at the Playbox.



Men Drive Best
Miss Marion Telford, Chicago, a traffic expert, admits that men, as a rule, are better drivers than women. Miss Telford says figures show that the number of accidents does not vary greatly. But men drive on more long trips than women and the weaker sex does less night driving. Also, men generally take the wheel when streets are slippery or when there is a downpour of rain. So, mile for mile and day for day, men are better drivers, she says.

An Ingenious Thief
A thief in Seattle, with a bit of ingenuity, got Joe Dizard's wallet, containing \$32, even though Dizard had taken the extra precaution of sleeping with his trousers on—and the wallet in his hip pocket. Dizard woke up the other morning to discover an intruder cutting out his pocket to get the wallet. Dizard protested but when the bandit placed the open blade against his (Dizard's) throat, there was no further objection.

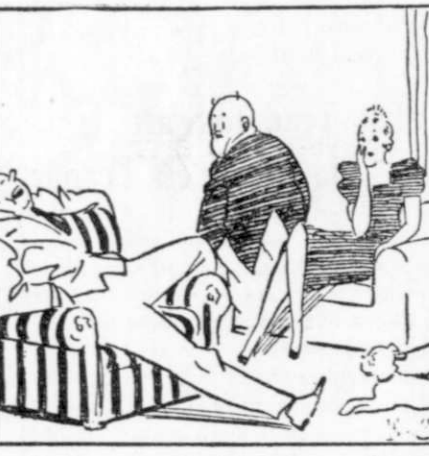
OUR COMIC SECTION

Events in the Lives of Little Men



UNITY
"The election certainly proved that a lot of people admired Willie," he said.
"Now wait. It's all over and all we want now is unity. Right?" I said.
"Right. I suppose we should forget the violation of a tradition," he said.
"Lissen," I said. "Nothing matters now except that we all be unified. No more arguments, no more dissensions. Right?"
"Right. The election's all over. But I still think the budget question important," he said.
"There you go being partisan," I said.
"I ain't partisan," he said.
"Yes, you are. All that matters is that democracy worked and we are all brothers. Right?" I said.
"Right. In the popular vote Willie was only a few million behind," he said.
"Nuts," I said. "If Roosevelt won by only two votes it would be final under our system and no sense beefing."
"Not at all. The popular vote showed an enormous switch against the New Deal policies," he said.
"Aw, go away! You just don't want unity," I said.
"Of course I want unity. It's the paramount need. But can't we still have it and talk reasonably?" he said.
"You're just another non-unity guy," I said. "You're too partisan. You're petty. You can't be big."
"Who can't be big?" he said.
"You can't. You're a worm, that's what you are. You ain't got no vision. You make me sick. All

P O P
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'We'll Miss You'
A young man, after eight years' absence abroad, alighted at his home station and, despite his expectations, there was no one there to meet him. He then caught sight of the stationmaster, a friend since boyhood. To him at least he would be welcome, and he was about to extend a hearty greeting, when the other spoke first.
"Hello, George!" he said. "Goin' away?"

They Should
"They say a caterpillar can eat its weight of food each day and scientists marvel at the fact."
"Well?"
"But scientists have never tried any of these experiments on the small boy."

Had to Face It
Billy—When Mama asked me if I'd been stealing jelly, I said yes.
Tilly—Why didn't you get out of it?
Billy—I didn't have the face to say no.

A SUITABLE OCCUPATION
Bug—I hear you have a new job.
Firefly—Yes, I'm in the cigar lighter in the Bugs' hotel!

De Fust
First Convict—When does you leave heah, boy?
Second Convict—De fust.
First Convict—De fust o' when?
Second Convict—De fust chance Ah gets.

Explain, Please!
Bill—Do you realize that it takes three-fourths of my income to keep you in clothes?
Hermie—Is that so? What do you do with the rest of your money?

Making Certain
Simpson had suddenly become keen on fishing.
"One day as he was preparing for a few hours on the river bank he turned to his wife and said: "Maud, I hope you remembered to put the cooking outfit in my bag. I'll want to fry some fish I catch for my lunch."
She nodded.
"Oh, yes, dear," she replied; "and you'll find a tin of sardines in there as well."

Better Weather
after the recent hot spell and things had cooled off a bit a friend of Uncle Bill met him.
"Fine weather, today," was the greeting.
"Yes," answered Uncle Bill, "not much humanity in the air."

Page Burbank
"We have lots of apples at our house," said Joe, coming up with his hands full of green apples, "cause we've got a pear tree, two cherry trees and a peach tree."

THE LIGHTER VEIN AT TRAINING CAMPS
We're camping tonight on the old campground.
Camping tonight, my lady.
Tenting tonight, tenting tonight, Tenting on the old campground; There'll be fancy balls tonight, Bridge and movies lily-white—Tenting on the old campground.
We are camping tonight on the old campground.
Hostesses here to cheer us; Tenting tonight, tenting tonight, We're tenting on the old campground; Cheerful seem our training tests, For our folks are week-end guests—Tenting on the old campground. —Old Song Revised.

The draft army is to have no catch-as-catch-can entertainment this time. Recreation, diversion and good, clean fun are announced as a definite part of the army training plan, with hundreds of hostesses and junior hostesses bustling about the camps to see about getting up a dance, a bingo party, a bridge carnival or what have you.

The calls of "Squads right!" and "Tention!" will be mingled with "May I have this dance?" and "Aw, let's play some more!"

Uncle Sam's policy this time will be based on the theory that an army camp should in no way resemble a concentration camp, and that the more amusement the boys have the better.

The hostesses may be no younger than 30 and no older than 50, but their junior assistants may get under the wire as young as 25, which assures a reasonable amount of glamour and oomph.

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Set of Shelves From Spools and Can Lids
By RUTH WYETH SPEARS
THE other day I went to a Hobby Show and there, hanging on the wall with a blue ribbon pinned on it, were the spools and can lids I had made. Of course, I searched out the person who had made them, and she told me that she had also made the end table of spools that I had seen in the window of a store.

27 SPOOLS OF WIRE SPIN
2 DEADS
START WITH A LID
ALL HOLES
SPACED TO
MATCH
TOP LID
RUN ENDS
UP
THROUGH
SPOOLS—
THROUGH
BEAD-BACK
TO BOTTOM TWIST

Book 5. Her urgent need at the moment was, "something to make for Mother for Christmas."
Here is my suggestion. An admirable set of three corner shelves made of a lid from a tin can, one from a cracker can and a coffee can put together with wire, spools and two beads. These shelves were painted cherry red and hung up with a brass hook to hold salt and pepper shakers, vinegar cruet, and other things for making salads. Any home-maker will think of a dozen places where this handy set of shelves could be used. All the directions are here in this sketch.

There is time to make the hanging book shelves in Book 3, or the end table in Book 5, before Christmas, if you mail your order for these booklets today. Send order to:

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