

BROADWAY AND MAIN STREET

Husbands and Leopards Return, But Is It for Lunch or Love?

By BILLY ROSE

Some weeks ago when the newspapers front-paged the story of the leopard which strolled back into its cage after being AWOL for three days, a lot of people wondered whether it returned because it was hungry or because it was lonely for a certain lady leopard in the next enclosure.

It so happened that around the same time, by a strange double-take of destiny, my Uncle Charlie also went on the prowl, and his return a few days later raised the identical question on the lower East Side—was it lunch or was it love?

It all began when my Aunt Frieda got the social bee in her babushka, joined the Delancey street chapter of the Daughters of Deborah, and went off to Atlantic City for its annual convention. Knowing Charlie for what he was—a man with his feet in the clouds and his head on the ground—Frieda began to worry that he'd get ptomaine from eating a tainted blintz in a restaurant, and so one afternoon she boarded a bus and made a quick trip to New York to see if everything was all right.



Billy Rose

bell and barged right in when she saw Charlie sitting in front of a mound of chopped liver big enough to feed the four Marx Brothers.

"Full up a chair," said the widow. "I got a pot roast you could cut it with a fingernail."

Frieda sniffed. "To me, it smells like a boiled beef what boiled too long."

"Is that so?" said Mrs. Greenhouse. "All week your husband is enjoying."

"I'm not doubting," said my aunt. "From the medicine chest is missing a full box bicarbonate."

ON THE WAY BACK to their flat, Frieda got right down to cases. "What is between you and Mrs. Greenhouse?" she asked.

"Strictly a cash arrangement," said Charlie. "Seven suppers for 10 dollars."

"You can't pull the wool behind my back," said my aunt. "Just to eat, a man does not take a bath and wear a whole flowshop in the buttonhole."

"I am also enjoying her company," my uncle admitted. "On many things we are seeing eye to tooth."

"If for widows you got such a liking," said Frieda, "I could maybe become one myself."

When they reached home, Frieda pulled the pin out of her hat. "Tomorrow," she announced, "is roast duck on the menu. Monday it gives sauerbraten; Tuesday, chicken with mandarin soup."

"The widow makes a grade-A goulash," needed by uncle.

"Let her make," said my aunt, "and let her eat."

And that ended Charlie's life on the loose and Frieda's career as a clubwoman.

As for the question: "Is love or lunch more important to the male animal?"—well, the leopard is dead and my uncle isn't talking.

"YOU MISS ME, Charlie?" "Why should I miss you—you're here. What gives in Atlantic City?" "In Atlantic City is giving speeches," said my aunt. "Tomorrow we are deciding about the hydrogen bomb, yes or no."

"In such a case, you better go right back," said my uncle. "Bye-bye, and don't take no wooden knishes."

On the street, Frieda met a gossip neighbor who said, "When is away the cat, is playing the mice—and they ain't playing klubbish."

"You are implicating my Charlie is a rat?" "Rat, schmat! Ask the widow Greenhouse."

A bit shaken, Frieda posted herself inside the candy store across the street, and when Charlie, wearing a carnation, came out she followed him—and sure enough, he high-stepped down the block to the home of Mrs. Greenhouse. Now, if this were a movie, our heroine would hold her tongue for six reels of misunderstanding and suspense—but Frieda was never one for slow emotion. She waited a jittery five minutes, rang the widow's



Shown above is Champion Mazelaine Gallantry owned by Mr. and Mrs. George Wilford of Tamaqua.

Champion Mazelaine Gallantry Models For Kennel Club Meeting

George Wilford of Tamaqua, well-known authority and breeder of prize-winning Boxers, was guest speaker at a dinner meeting of the Back Mountain Kennel Club. The meeting was held at the Irem Temple Country Club on Friday night, June 23rd.

The standards of the Boxer breed, as decreed by the Boxer Club of America, were explained by Mr. Wilford. In addition he stated that the Boxer is a native of Germany and came to be recognized as a specific breed of dog as far back as 1870. According to Mr. Wilford, the Boxer is highly respected for the love and loyalty he extends to his owners and is noted for his bravery in the face of danger.

Following the interesting talk by Mr. Wilford the Kennel Club held its regular monthly business meeting. President, Thomas B. Robinson called for reports from all show committee heads relative to

the plans being made for the annual Back Mountain Kennel Club Dog Show to be held at the West Side Armory.

Present were: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Oswald Griffiths, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bartow, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bachman, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Whitebread, Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Fultz, Mr. and Mrs. Justin Bergman, Jr., Stanley Tretheway, Mrs. John Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. George Wilford, Tamaqua; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Smith, Dallas; Dr. and Mrs. Albert Abbott, Nanticoke; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bittenbender, Scranton; Mrs. Ruth Dwyer, Wilkes-Barre; Mr. and Robert Feddar, Berwick; Miss Ida Smith, New York; Paul Phillips, Dallas; Fred Schmitt, Jr., Scranton; Walter Fletcher, Olyphant.

The Book Worm



Probably this is the wrong time to speak of it, just before the Library Auction and all, but there is a book on "Antique Fakes and their Detection" in the library. The cover shows a collector in a Sherlock Holmes hat detecting a flaw in a ladder-back chair with a magnifying glass. Inside, statistically noted, are enough acid tests for true antiques to make the reader suspicious of all glassware and most china. There are recommendations for the removal of a sample screw in the case of a disputed piece of woodwork, and the making of a worm's eye view of the interior of the resultant hole to determine whether the screw did or did not make the original bore.

The author, Raymond Yates, takes a dim view of antiques unless they cost well up into the hundreds. According to him, the market has been so completely combed that a genuinely fine piece is difficult to find. He gives some simple directions. If a hutch table is constructed of too many boards, or has large knots in it, it is a fake. Cabinet makers of an older day did not share the modern enthusiasm for knotty pine. Their idea was to use good clear-grained lumber, and knots, if any were very small. A ladder back chair is constructed with so little regard for the human spine that it must be tipped back against the wall, its fore-legs off the floor, if it is to be used in comfort. So a genuine ladderback will have a worn spot on the back of each finial.

Small feet make the kind of a depression in a high-chair rung that cannot be duplicated by a rasp. Wood shrinks over a period of years. A genuine antique table is never quite round. Take along a steel tape, suggests Mr. Yates.

But don't plan to halt the progress of the library auction while you take a screwdriver out of your pocket to test a piece of furniture. Just between ourselves, there is nothing in the way of furniture that requires such close detection. Early American Grand Rapids, a good bit of it, with a definite leaning toward morris chairs and golden oak bureaus.

"The Brading Collection", by Patricia Wentworth is the answer to the mystery fans' clamor for more Miss Silver. Miss Silver, that estimable gentlewoman who can knit with her eyes shut, her mind fixed exclusively upon her client's troubles, is with us again. And you'd be surprised what she discovers.

"The Little Princesses", by Marion Crawford, governess to the royal family for seventeen years, gives intimate background material about the two princesses and their upbringing. Fascinating reading.

"Burns Mantle Best Plays of 1948-1949", edited by John Chapman, is what its title implies. It includes "Death of a Salesman", "Annie of a Thousand Days", "The Madwoman of Chailot", "Detective Story", "Edward My Son", "Life With Mother", "Godbye My Fancy", "Light Up the Sky", "The Silver Whistle", "Two Blind Mice".

ONLY YESTERDAY

From The Post of ten and twenty years ago this week.

Ten Years Ago in the Dallas Post Items from June 28, 1940

Lake Township reports its first case of cerebro-spinal meningitis, the second for the Back Mountain area, after Luzerne County announcement of end of the epidemic. Earl Nichols of Sweet Valley R.D. 1, was taken to Wilkes-Barre Contagious Hospital. Andrew Mahler, Dallas Township, the only other victim, has made a rapid recovery.

A. T. Glahn, Harvey's Lake, was named as successor to Daniel C. Roberts as trustee of Daniel C. Roberts Fire Company, Harveys Lake.

"Automobile tires are bound to be higher in price", said W. D. Roberts, Hillside, "because of an advance of 30% in the price of crude rubber". Roberts unloaded two carloads of tires this past week, and advises everybody who needs tires to get them while the getting is good. Switch to a Firestone, \$7.77 and your old tire.

John Q. Yaple, State health officer for this section, will attend classes at a training school conducted by the State Department of Health at Mont Alto from July 8 to July 27.

Joe MacVeigh retired as president of Wilkes-Barre Rotary this week after an unusually successful year.

Cliff Space says that under control of the Milk Board, Pennsylvania farmers are getting less per hundred weight for their product than New York State farmers.

Peter D. Clark's name resounded through convention hall in Philadelphia Monday night, but not because of being nominated for president. It was an old friend broadcasting from sheer sociability.

Tom Brown is proud of his new Kentucky thoroughbred, a present from his Dad on Decoration Day. Piano pupils of Mrs. Lillian Rood Oliver presented their annual spring recital at Shavertown Methodist Church Monday evening.

Camping season has opened. Girl Scouts are rushing to take advantage of recently inaugurated facilities at Wildwood; Camp Nitasaka, near Meshoppen, directed by Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Miller-Camp opened June 22.

Rev. Russell J. May played a leading role in "A Stranger Passes", a production sponsored by Shavertown Dramatic Club.

Good crowd attended a steak roast at Huntsville Methodist Church. (Steak? What's that?)

697 garments were made by the Dallas Borough W.P.A. Sewing project during June. 1,504 yards of material were used. Payroll for the month was \$956.40, with Dallas Borough's share \$45.45.

Partial solution to unemployment among young men in this area is

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enlistment in the army. The drive for recruits is progressing satisfactorily, in line with expansion of defense forces for the country.

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Barnyard Notes

Here comes the Auction—bigger, better and more complete than ever, with merchandise ranging from bee hives to used automobiles.

For weeks fifty solicitors have covered the countryside to obtain good used furniture, glass, china, kitchenware, and household utensils to attract the attention of bidders. There are few in the Back Mountain area who have not had an invitation to contribute something. Those who have not, have been missed by accident and not by design and should get in touch with L. L. Richardson, head of the transportation committee, immediately. His number is 420.

For days truck loads of goods have been coming to the barn where Charles James, head of the Barn committee, has stored it carefully away. Most of the third floor is full, so is the second, but there is still plenty of room on the first floor.

On Saturday, Al Gibbs and his ground committee will start their work, painting the fence that surrounds the auction block and goods displayed in front of the barn during the sale.

There will be better seating arrangements for the convenience of buyers and spectators this year.

The refreshment tent will be doubled in size. Col. Frank Townend has seen to that, and there will be tents for the big baked goods sale, the candy booth, the odds and ends display and for the enlarged fruits, vegetables and plants booth that was created last year.

There will also be better parking arrangements with the enlarged school grounds used for that purpose under the direction of a dozen parking attendants.

Lighting for the auction area will also be better than last year. Charles Romberger, lighting expert of Luzerne County Gas & Electric Corporation, was on the ground yesterday and gave Paul Shaver, head of the electrical committee, valuable assistance in laying out the lighting plan. Flood lights will be installed along Lehman avenue for a considerable distance on each side of the Barn.

All in all, everything is set for the best auction ever; but there is still much to be done. There is still need for more good used furniture. The better the merchandise the better the auction and the more spirited the bidding. Any one who has something good to offer, some piece of furniture that is out of place, or duplicated, should call Dallas 420 at once. There is no time now to pick up damaged goods for repair. If it isn't clean, workable and useful—don't call. The truckers are too busy picking up good items from people who are proud to see them go over the auction block. If it is something you wouldn't buy yourself—don't give it. Don't waste the truckers' time. If you are proud of your contribution to the auction—be sure to tag it.

As always, merchants from the entire area who recognize the advertising value of the Auction have given generously to the new goods committee headed by D. T. Scott, Jr., James Hutchison and Murray Scureman. Tavern keepers have contributed more than twenty hams and frozen turkeys. Included in the new goods are table lamps, electric irons, power saws, bird baths, feeders, and houses, living room easy chairs, porch furniture, dining room tables, fertilizer spreaders, egg baskets, automobile tires and accessories, children's swings, paint and many other items too numerous to mention here.

There will be more than the usual quota of livestock including English pheasants, puppies, pigs, chickens, baby chicks, geese, sheep, ducks and a calf.

The fame of the Auction has spread far and wide throughout Northeastern Pennsylvania. No other community within a hundred miles has anything that can compare with it for wholesome fun and entertainment.

Get behind it now. If you haven't been asked to do a job, volunteer! You'll get acquainted with your neighbors and you'll forget your worries for a week at least. If you haven't given, give! Don't worry about the rafters in the barn. They can take it!

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If you haven't already done it, phone Dallas 420 --- Image of a woman on a telephone

It's still not too late to give just one thing you'd like to keep to the LIBRARY AUCTION JULY 7 and 8

And don't be misled... it doesn't have to be an antique to be saleable. The barn needs swings you no longer use, occasional tables stored in your attic, chest of drawers now too small, porch furniture too heavy for your stoop, book cases that belonged to Junior, folding chairs you bought from the church, footstools, desks, loveseats, washstands, towel racks, wall brackets, gas stoves, bookends, bric a brac, etc., etc., etc.

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