

PECK'S BAD BOY ABROAD

The Bad Boy and His Dad at a Christian Science Boarding House—The Bad Boy Tells His Uncle How They Were Kidnapped in Greece—Dad Sang "Hot Time" in the Bandits' Cave and When They Were Asleep Escaped on a Mule.

By Hon. George W. Peck.
(By HON. GEORGE W. PECK.)
(Ex-Governor of Wisconsin, former Editor of "Peck's Sun," Author of "Peck's Bad Boy," etc.)
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"Well, I suppose you have got your European airs worn off, so you can come down to plain American living again," said the old groceryman to the bad boy when he came into the grocery with a kerosene can and sat down on the barrel of dried apples and reached into the bar-

and handsome man we had seen anywhere, like Americans. Yes, sir, everybody in Athens seemed to be in love, and dad thought the men looked effeminate, on account of their clothes, but every one is an athlete and a fighter from the word go.
"Well, we went up on the hill to the Acropolis, an old marble ruin that overlooks the town, and dad passed off the Greek money, and saw how much territory it covered, and figured up how much good marble was in it, that could be used for gravestones, and when dad and I were just after lunch, the old man was doing I told them he was a rich old party from America that was going to buy the Acropolis and move it to the United States and make it ever into a museum, and that he didn't care for expense, for he was the richest man in the world.

"Well, we looked things over, like all tourists do, and we went to Mars Hill, where Paul preached, and dad read up on Paul, and offered to bet that Paul could give cards and spades to any Greek, and then he took me to the museum, and the next night we went to the place where Socrates and Plato taught school, and some of the Greeks had watched us pretty close, and just after lunch as we were walking around, a beautiful woman, like a Greek statue, rose up before us, with a white robe on, and she wanted the protection of her father, and she was being pursued by robbers, and she cuddled up to dad. At first we thought she was a ghost, but when she touched dad, and dad told him, he said she was warm all right, and was no ghost, and he told her not to worry, as she was under the protection of her father, and she would stand by her till he had her over, and he put his left arm around her and drew his revolver. "Can't you see," said dad, "that the Greek woman clung to dad, and thanked him, and she smiled a smile full of teeth, and then he took her to the museum, and she was dressed in white petticoats, and with long crooked daggers, and one fellow that seemed to be the chief, put a crooked knife to dad's throat, and dad turned blue and said what are you going to do, but they didn't say anything, but took us to a cave, where the woman got over her father in a white petticoat, and these long socks such as ballet dancers wear, and we all got on to small mules and started for the mountains, and rode all night.

"Say, dad was a picture. The Greeks are small men, and they look all right in petticoats, but dad was so fat he looked swelled up, and even the mules, and the girl, who was on the white mule, laughed at dad, and she could talk English, and she told dad that the bandits only wanted his money, and they wouldn't hurt him if he gave up a million or so. It proved that she was one of the gang, and dad and I had a consultation, and we decided to give her a letter to the American consul at Athens, authorizing him to give her a carload of money for ransom, and then they dressed dad up in a letter, a postscript telling the consul not to give a confounded cent, but to arrest her and send troops to rescue us. I asked dad what he was going to do, if she didn't come back, and the bandits decided to kill us, and he said never you mind, your papa will get out of this all right, and he did. "The woman went away with a letter she could not read, but which she told dad how to write, and then the bandits made dad do the cooking for the bunch, and he put so much salt in the food that it made them all thirsty, and they sent one of the bandits to a vineyard, where he got several bunches of grapes, and he made dad sing "Hot Time," and they made me dance, and dad kept saying: "Let's have one more on me, and they drank until the whole crowd was stupefied, and dad acted as though he was drunker than any of them, but when they



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rel of lump sugar and filled his pocket. The old man had just cut a new cheese, and he sliced off a thin piece of cheese and laid it on a big square cracker and handed it to the bad boy, saying: "Jim, lay that inside your ribs and tell me if you got anything to eat in Europe, that could hold a candle to this." "Jim," said the bad boy, "I had a letter to the American consul at Athens, authorizing him to give her a carload of money for ransom, and then they dressed dad up in a letter, a postscript telling the consul not to give a confounded cent, but to arrest her and send troops to rescue us. I asked dad what he was going to do, if she didn't come back, and the bandits decided to kill us, and he said never you mind, your papa will get out of this all right, and he did. "The woman went away with a letter she could not read, but which she told dad how to write, and then the bandits made dad do the cooking for the bunch, and he put so much salt in the food that it made them all thirsty, and they sent one of the bandits to a vineyard, where he got several bunches of grapes, and he made dad sing "Hot Time," and they made me dance, and dad kept saying: "Let's have one more on me, and they drank until the whole crowd was stupefied, and dad acted as though he was drunker than any of them, but when they

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all got asleep and I began to cry and wish I was dead, dad woke up and said: "Now, I won't do a thing to your Greeks, and I won't go around with a sleeping bandit and take all their knives and all their money, and he took off the petticoat they had given him to wear and tied a black sash around his waist, and he took his legs together with strings off the saddles of the mules, and just before daylight on the second morning dad and I went on the biggest mule and started down the trail, and when we struck level ground we muffled that mule and he got a move on him and went across that pile on a hop, skip and jump, and only touched the high places.
"Along towards noon we saw dust in the road ahead, and pretty soon we met a mess of Greek soldiers, with the Amer-



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lean consul at the head, and told them where the bandits were, drunk and with their legs tied, and the consul and some soldiers went back to Athens with us and the rest of the troops went on after the bandits. We got to Athens before night and found the woman under guard in the consul's office, and when she saw dad and he told her how he had fixed the bandits, she cried and said she wasn't to blame, and wanted to hug dad, but he said: "Say, my, Emma, and I'm the consul, and I'm a gentleman, because the consul did not pay the ransom, and dad told her he would pay a claim against Greece for half a million dollars for lacerated feelings, and left it with the consul to collect, so if you ever hear of American warships going to Greece you will know what is the matter.



THE BANDITS MADE DAD DO THE COOKING.

your father ought to be in the penitentiary, or else you are the condemned liar in America."

Affairs in Nelson.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORWOOD, NELSON COUNTY, VA., June 17.—The crops are looking fine on the James in this section, but there is much complaint of bugs on the gardens, also complaint of insects cutting down the corn.
Mr. Charlie Pettit, of Kansas City, Mo., is here on a visit to his mother and father.
Miss Carrie Tompkins, of Arrington, was visiting in the neighborhood for several days, leaving on Tuesday for Greenway to attend the marriage of Miss Edna Moon and Mr. Willard Payne.
Mrs. H. L. Robertson, Mrs. Dixon and Mrs. Margaret Agee are on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Carrington Robertson, of Hutton.
Master Myrton Gaines, of Richmond, is visiting in Nelson.
Mr. William H. Wheelan was taken to Lynchburg last week by Dr. Cabell to be treated for cancer of stomach by the x-ray treatment.
Mrs. Jeanes Robertson, of Roanoke, is visiting friends here.
A great many took in the excursion from here to Norfolk on last Saturday.
Misses Della and Minnie Dixon are now the guests of Mrs. Graves, of Richmond.
Miss Alice Callaway, who has been attending school in King William, returned here on Sunday.
Mrs. Tallafarro and Mr. Cleveland Tallafarro, of Roanoke, are now the guests of Mrs. Charlie Woody.
Two of Mr. Hasty's brothers from Trinity College, N. C., have been in the neighborhood for nearly two weeks, taking in the beautiful scenery of old Virginia, this being their first trip to the State. They have taken many kodak pictures of different scenes and express themselves as being delighted here.
Mrs. William D. Cabell, Miss Margaret Cabell and Master John Moore are here to spend the summer in their beautiful home, "The Norwood House."
Mr. Henry Ewers returned to his business in Kentucky on Saturday.
Mr. Charlie Beam left for his home, in Pennsylvania, last week.
The iron bridge will soon be put across the river here. The material for its construction is being put in place.
Mrs. Josie Richards, of Newport News, was visiting here last week, on his way from the hospital in Clifton Forge, where he was operated on for appendicitis.
Mrs. Dr. Cabell is now under treatment of the doctors of Lynchburg.

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Roosevelts May Drop Down at Any Time.

First Lady of the Land Shows Very Democratic Tastes.

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SCOTTSDALE, VA., June 17.—President and Mrs. Roosevelt returned to Washington the first of the week, but may drop down quietly at any time in the woods of Albemarle. Such is the comfort of knowing one has a cool spot in reserve somewhere. At least one resident in the vicinity of Springfield has a glimpse of his domestic side of the mistress of the White House. Riding along, he heard the sound of breezy voices, and coming around a bend of the road, there he found Mrs. Roosevelt helping to feed a flock of young turkeys. He became acquainted, and had quite a friendly little chat with the President's wife.
Miss Annie and Marjorie Nicholas have returned home from Westminster School, Richmond.
Mr. D. H. Pitts has announced himself a candidate for the legislature from Albemarle county subject to the Democratic primary.

Vaudeville Turns at Casino This Week.

Entertaining Pot-Pouri Provided for Theatre Goers of This City.

Vaudeville is to hold sway all the coming week at the Casino, the pretty summer theatre at Reservoir Park. This is a radical change for the popular amusement place, which has for several months been offering musical comedy, farce comedy and melodramatic productions, with the legitimate interspersed at frequent intervals.
On many stages to-day vaudeville is still the rage, the popularity of that form of entertainment being apparently on the upward tide once more, with many of the erstwhile favorites in the ranks of professionals figuring in the list of "headliners" in the leading summer theatres. It is expected that the Casino will during the summer alternate the attractions and have many vaudeville bills for the enjoyment of the patrons of the house.
The bill for the week embraces the following well known stars and "teams" for turns at every performance:
Lewis and Green, in their original comedy creation, "An Unexpected Swede," said to be a most amusing affair.
Powers Brothers, in a novelty act, "Alphonse and Gaston Awheel." This will be a surprise to the theatre-goers of the city.
Joe Morris, just a plain, every-day type of man, is heralded as the "Hebrew With the Pipes," and will present an amusing form of entertainment.
Mlle. Flossie, an equestrian, will introduce new features on the tight rope and acrobatic work.
Walt, Terry and Nellie Elmer will present their new laughing comedy, a sketch which has been the source of much amusement, "The Dancing Missionary."
The Dutch Deyers' Trio will also appear in illustrated musical novelty. The bill will run the entire week, with the usual Wednesday and Saturday matinees.

People in Orange.

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Miss Bennet, of Richmond, is visiting Mrs. Daniel at Pamunkey.
The Earl of Chicago, is visiting her father, Mrs. T. S. Casey, near Lahore.
Attorney W. W. Field and wife, of Denver, Colo., are visiting relatives in Orange.
Field, a son of the late General James G. Field, has taken high rank in his profession at his chosen home and is popular wherever known.
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Mrs. M. C. Gray, a thrifty merchant of Washington, is on a visit to relatives in Orange.

The Tough Old Boys.

The majority of the Confederate veterans attending the reunion at Louisa are over 85 years of age. They can stand a long railroad trip, march about the sun-baked streets of a city and endure the fatigue incident to such an outing, explain in a way, what they were able to do when they were boys under Lee.—Charlotte Chronicle.

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