Carp Is Native of China; Once Served to Princess

The carp is an Asiatic fish related to the catfish, introduced into England in the beginning of the Seventeeth century. It is a fresh-water fish with large scales and with no adipose fin, and with a blunt rounded snout with four barbels. Its usual length is 12 to 20 inches, although it sometimes grows larger.

The carp, according to a writer in the Indianapolis News, prefers still waters with a soft muddy bottom in which it buries itself in winter. It feeds on small aquatic invertebrates, insects, and vegetable substances. It is very tenacious of life and will live a considerable time out of water. In Holland it sometimes is kept three or four weeks suspended in a net with wet moss and fed with bread soaked in milk.

The common carp in the United States is abundant in many streams, but is not much esteemed for food. The carp is a native of China and the Far East and probably came into Europe early in the Christian era. In the Sixth century it was taken in the Danube and was a costly fish supplied only at the tables of princes. In the Thirteenth century it was cultivated in Germany and France and the remains of ponds still are shown near old monasteries where the monks raised carp. From their efforts in breeding came many domesticated varieties, such as the Mirror carp, or King carp, with very large scales; the Leather carp, with a thick soft skin and and few or no scales; the Saddle carp, with a row of large scales down the back. The generic name, Cyprinus, is from the Greek kyprinos, carp. Carpio is the Latin for carp.

FACTS AND FIGURES ON YOUR TELEPHONE BY Ellwin F. Hill

A net gain of 201,000 telephones for the Bell System for the first quarter of this year, as compared with a gain of 113,000 in the corresponding period of 1935, was reported to the stockholders by President Walter S. Gifford of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

There were 13 per cent more toll and long distance calls reported during this first quarter of the year than in the same period last year.

Earnings of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company for each of the 18,683,188 shares of capital stock outstanding were $6.97 as compared with $6.37 for the same period in 1935.

The earnings report of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company comparing results for the twelve months ending March 31, 1936, with those for the same period of last year follows:

	12 Months Ending March 31, 1936
Operating Revenues	$ 97,725,731.72
Operating Expenses including Taxes	79,992,584.73
Operating Earnings	$ 17,733,146.99
Dividend Revenues	125,523,744.99
Interest Revenues	9,727,913.88
Miscellaneous Non-Operating Revenues—Net	740,986.24
Total Net Earnings	$153,525,792.10
Interest Deductions	23,368,696.92
Net Income	$130,157,095.18

	12 Months Ending March 31, 1935
Operating Revenues	$ 88,995,866.97
Operating Expenses including Taxes	75,168,592.19
Operating Earnings	$ 13,827,274.78
Dividend Revenues	113,355,205.78
Interest Revenues	14,903,395.33
Miscellaneous Non-Operating Revenues—Net	866,402.83
Total Net Earnings	$142,952,278.72
Interest Deductions	24,036,046.47
Net Income	$118,916,232.25

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GO WEST, YOUNG MAN

Mae West, curvaceous blonde star, will be seen on Wednesday and Thursdayfi December 9 and 10, at the New Lyceum Theatre, in her latest comedy, "Go West Young Man," a story of love on hte farm, the first in which she appears in a modern romatnoc role.

"Three Men on a Horse," which as a stage play is now well into its second year on Broadway and still going strong— and which has toured the country in seven road shows—comes in film form to the New Lyceum on Monday and Tuesday, December 7 and 8.

There is a grand cast headed by Frank McHugh and Joan Blondell.

McHugh, whose faintly-querulous laugh and outlandish antics have made millions laugh for the last six years— is cast as Erwin (pronounced Oiwin)—a timid and hen-pecked writer of greeting cards—who keeps to himself his weird gift of picking the winner in horse races. He has a book in which he notes his prognostications and imaginary winnings—until his wife finds it—and thinks he is two timing.

Carol Hughes has the role of Oiwin's weepy wife.

His boss, Carver—played by Guy Kibbee with bald and bland pomposity—has one day ordered Oiwin to do no less than fifty Mother's Day greeting verses—before the noon whistle blows. To add to his distress, his wife, Audrey, has upbraided him for his stupidity—and in desperation he hotfoots it to the gin mill of which Ed Kennedy is barkeeper and bouncer—to drown his troubles in drink.

There fate overtakes him.

At a nearby table are three small-time gamesters—played with roughneck bravado by Allen Jenkins, Teddy Hart and Sam Levene—the latter two from the Broadway stage production. They are discussing the races—and the timid Oiwin dares to speak up and give them a tip on the winner. They give him the laugh, and bet on their own favorite,—who loses. They realize Oiwin's uncanny gift after several other tries— and without asking his permission—imprison him. Joan, best girl of one of the boys, guards him.

When he begs to be allowed to get back to his job—they telephone his boss that he is ill. Audrey in great constrenation calls up about her hubby—and when Carver informs her he is sick—calls the police and a city wide search is begun.

Then begins as merry a mixup as ever set an audience chortling.

First National—owners of the stage production—have spared nothing in making the screen production worthy of the play. The veteran scenarist Laird Doyle, was given the job of adapting the stage piece for films.

Mervyn LeRoy—who directed "Anthony Adverse," "Oil from the Lamps of China," "Fugitive from a Chain Gang," "Little Caesar" and many other dramatic masterpieces, proves his versatility by directing modern comedy with the same adroitness whoch he showed in heavier vehicles.

There are few changes in the picture version. The dialogue is the same. Races merely mentioned in the play, are actually seen—and Oiwin is seen on the crowded bus where he creates his sentimental greeting verses. It's a swell cast, with a great play made into a greater picture. There's a laugh in every minute of this rollicking comedy, so you won't want to miss a minute of it, and you'll probably want to see it at least twice.

"Three Men on a Horse" is in town, and that's good enough news for any day.

One of the most hilarious and delightful comedies of the season will keep audiences of the New Lyceum Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday, December 9 and 10 in a continuous gale of laughter as glamorous Mae West made her flippant way through her latest starring vehicle, "Go West Young Man," a story of arduous love on a typical Pennsylvania farm. It is the first time the curvaceous beauty appears in a modern outdoor picture.

"Go West Young Man" is the story of a romantic movie actress who is forbidden to marry by a clause in her contract. Warren William, her press agent, is paid to see to it that she doesn't violate the contract. After breaking up what promises to be a romantic evening between Miss West and Lyle Talbot, William starts for Harrisburg, Pennsylvania with her.

The car breaks down and they are forced to put up at Alice Brady's farm where Randolph Scott, an auto mechanic and niventor, has a service station. Miss West falls for the handsome inventor. William breaks up several meetings between them and is finally forced to resort to several ruses in order to break up the budding romance.

Miss West finally finds the romance she was seeking with the very man who was paid to keep it from her.

Others who contribute toward making "Go West Young Man" the splendid entertainment it is are Isabel Jewell, Elizabeth Pattreson, Margaret Perry, Etienne Girardot, Maynard Holmes, and "Nicodemus," a sepia entertainer recently "discovered" by Miss West.

GALENA

Quite a number from town attended a Variety Shower on Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Redding, near Worton, Md., in honor of Mr. and Mrs. George N. Dixon the latter was Miss Ruth Redding.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McCauley, of Alexandria, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jefferies, of Wilmington, Del., visited their aunt, Mrs. Linda Walls last week.

Mrs. William Healey, Mrs. John Vansant, of Bloomfield, N. J., were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Walters, of near town.

Mrs. Clarence Cornelius has returned home after spending sometime with her daughter, Mrs. Daniel Quinn, near Chestertown, Md.

Little Kay Heighe Ahern, underwent a tonsil and adenoid operation, in Delaware Hospital, Wilmington, Del., she is much improved at this writing.

Mrs. Marvin Williams has returned to her home in Chestertown, Md., after a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cruikshank.

Miss Martha Whitkare and niece, Miss Ella Mae Hicks spent the Thanksgiving holidays with relatives in Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss Hazel Bolton, Miss Helen Davis, of Salisbury State Normal School, spent the holidays with their parents here.

Mr. Elwood Pearce, of Toledo, Ohio, was a week end visitor in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Moffett, Jr., of near town spent last Sunday at Claymont, Del., with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hadley in the afternoon they attended the Christennia of the turns of Mr. and Mrs. Hadley the little girls were name, Joan and Jean.

Miss Betty Dill, of Wilmington, Del., spent the past week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dill.

Mr. William Johnston spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson.

Mrs. Ella Caldwell entertained at dinner on Sunday the following guests, Mrs. Mary Smith from Millington, Md., Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Caldwell, Miss Mary Caldwell, of Chestertown, Md., Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dempsey, Miss Nellie of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jarman and family, of Baltimore, Md., spent the Thanksgiving holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jarman.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kruser, Miss Mary McCauley, of Philadelphia, Pa., were Thursday visitors at the latters mother, Mrs. Eva McCauley.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Gillespei and daughter, Ruth, of Ocean View, Del., spent several days last week with her father, Mr. Frank Ruth.

Dr. and Mrs. Earle Gilfillan entertained quite a number of friends and relatives at their home last Thursday at a Turkey dinner.

Quite a number from town attended the Variety Shower given to Mr. and Mrs. Julian Davis at their home last Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ottey, of Philadelphia, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. John Evans, and family, of Media, Pa., were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Heston Coxe.

Mr. Harry Dempsey and daughter, Miss Nellie, attended the wedding of Mr. Walton T. Connelly, of Berlin, Md., in Newark, Del., in "Thanksgiving Day" Mr. Connelly is a nephew of the former.

The Ladies Aid held their monthly meeting in the chapel last Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Martin and friend, Mrs. Heston, of Philadelphia, Pa., spent last Sunday with Mrs. Maggie Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Redding, Mr. and Mrs. Harry P. Redding and family, of Newark, Del., spent Sunday with his parents.

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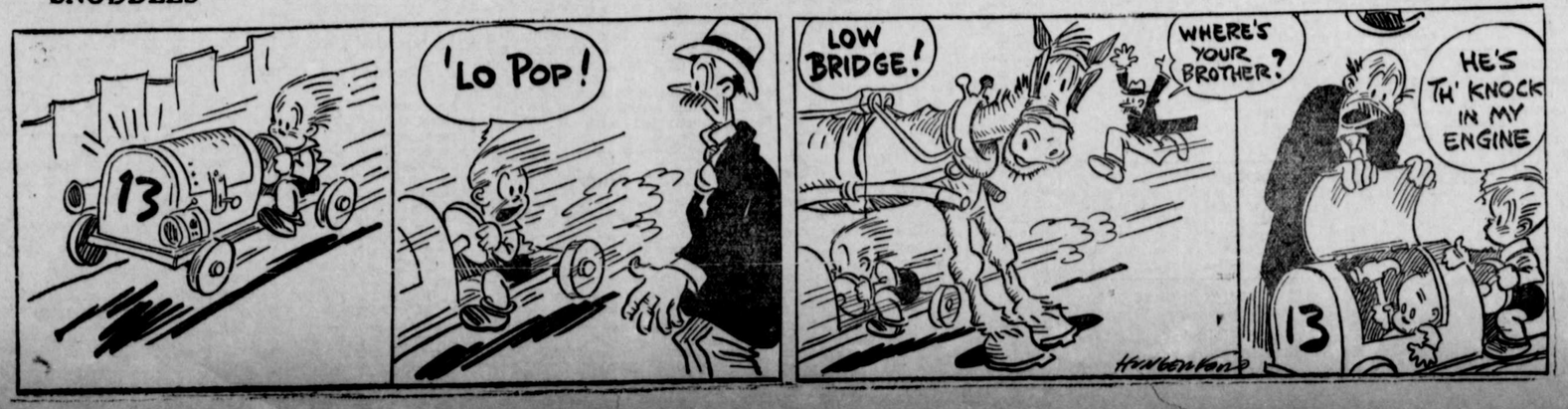
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