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## LOST TREASURES FOUND IN OZ

### PRINCE & PAGE BECOME NATIONAL HEROES

### *Dorothy & Cowardly Lion Involved in Perilous Adventure*

#### NEW BOOK TELLS ALL

(Ozziordinary News Special)

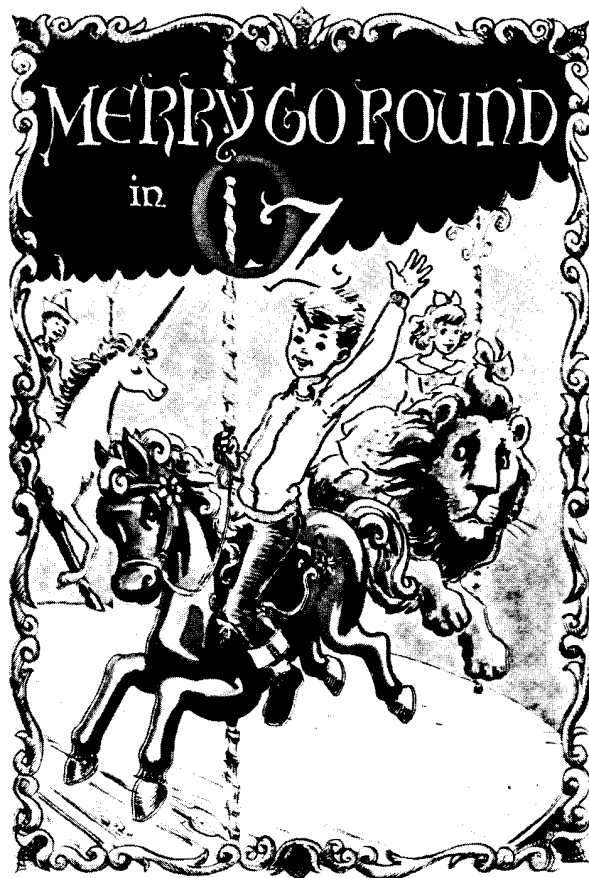
The Land of Oz has long been known as a realm of romance, mystery, and adventure, and the stories of its wonders are known the world over. But the news of recent events in our land is the most astonishing in many years.

Great excitement reigns in the Emerald City. Our gracious ruler, Princess Ozma, has released full details of the amazing adventures and discoveries, which have been fully reported by the Special Correspondents to the Emerald City, Eloise Jarvis McGraw and Lauren McGraw Wagner, in their book, *Merry Go Round in Oz*.

It all started when Robin Brown, a little boy from Oregon, climbed aboard a carnival merry-go-round. When he was magically transported to Oz — and his horse, Merry, was magically brought to life — he knew he was embarking on a real adventure.

Meanwhile, Prince Gules of Hali-dom, with his faithful page, Fess, set off to seek the vanished Magic Circlets and save his Kingdom from dire peril. How Robin was instrumental in helping them recover the lost treasures will go down as one of the great events in Ozian history.

Our beloved Princess Dorothy and the Cowardly Lion also became involved in this singular series of events, and their cleverness and courage will long be remembered.



### NEWEST CITIZENS OF THE LAND OF OZ

Reproduced above is the cover design of the new Oz book. In the foreground are Robin Brown (formerly of Cherryburg, Oregon) and his trusty steed, Merry Go Round. As close friends of Princess Dorothy of Oz, they plan to reside in the Emerald City.

Federigo, the Prince's noble steed, the dainty Unicorn, and the Flittermouse all deserve a large share of the credit too. Indeed, the tiny Flittermouse really saved the day. If you read *Merry Go Round in Oz*, you will learn the whole story.

**Full Details of  
the Oz Books  
on page 4 !!!**

### THE WEATHER

The Ozmapolitan is pleased to announce that its weather predictions will be penned by the Scarecrow, who has been engaged at an enormous salary. His first forecast:

Generally sunny and fair with clouds and sprinkles of rain or snow gradually changing to something else. Temperature stationary or rising or possibly falling. Winds southerly or easterly or westerly or variable. Tomorrow: more of the same.

### AUTHORS PRAISED BY PRINCESS

Special Dispatch—

Her Majesty, Princess Ozma, has just cabled to Eloise Jarvis McGraw and Lauren McGraw Wagner, in Oregon, to express her enthusiastic approval of their book, *Merry Go Round in Oz*.

"It is a wonderful story," said Her Majesty in an interview this morning. "Although I had every confidence in the abilities of the authors to give a true and faithful account of the recent happenings here in Oz, I had no idea they would create such a delightful, funny, exciting, and completely charming book. Princess Dorothy, the Cowardly Lion—and everyone else here in the Emerald City—are all as delighted with *Merry Go Round in Oz* as I am. I know all the boys and girls in America (and Oz) will be anxious to read it."

### Oz News from the U.S.A.

CHICAGO (Ozmapolitan News)

Word has just been received that the Reilly & Lee Company will publish, by Royal decree of Her Majesty, Ozma of Oz, an account of the marvelous adventures that have just occurred in our wonderland. The book is entitled *Merry Go Round in Oz*, and will appear on October 21, 1963. The price will be \$3.50.

Reilly & Lee are, by decree of Princess Ozma, the sole publishers of the thirty-nine volumes of the saga of Oz. *Merry Go Round in Oz* will be the Glorious Fortieth.

An advance copy of this important work, specially bound in cloth-of-gold and studded with emeralds, has been sent to Her Majesty, Princess Ozma. We understand that she is very pleased with it.

(A complete list of the titles in the Oz series will be found on page 4.)

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WIZARD OF OZ, Editor

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## POETRY CORNER



The Flittermouse is acknowledged to have great talent as a composer of songs and epic poems. Indeed, several critics have stated that the Flittermouse's best efforts excel those of the Patchwork Girl in artistry, imagery, and depth of feeling. We are pleased to print an example:

### "Ode to Prince Gules Riding Forth into the World to Save Halidom"

by Flittermouse.

"Donned his helm,  
Left the realm."

(A full account of the adventures of the Flittermouse appears in *Merry Go Round in Oz*.)

## Royally Decorated

Eloise Jarvis McGraw, and her daughter, Lauren McGraw Wagner, were honored today for their distinguished services to the Land of Oz.

In an impressive ceremony in the Emerald City, Princess Ozma decreed both authors Dames of the Ozly Order of Okmoks of Oz. The decorations, which were accepted in proxy by Tiny Trot and Betsy Bobbin, two American girls residing in the Emerald City, will be sent on to the authors in Oregon.

Dame Eloise Jarvis McGraw lives in Wilsonville, Oregon, U. S. A., where she happily writes books, raises filberts (they're nuts), and, with the help of her daughter Dame Laurie, keeps up on all the happenings in Oz. As a matter of fact, they first heard about *Merry Go Round* being in Oz while they were in England (that's in Europe!).

## Wizard of Oz Lauds Oz Club

In an interview today, the Wizard of Oz praised the efforts of the International Wizard of Oz Club. Said he:

"It is most heartwarming to see how my fellow countrymen in America are promoting interest in Ozian matters. Princess Dorothy joins me in wishing their organization the greatest possible success."

The Oz fan club, founded six years ago, today has an international membership. The initial membership fee (\$2.00) includes a subscription to *The Baum Bugle*, the International Wizard of Oz Club magazine, issued three times annually. Named in honor of L. Frank Baum, the Royal Historian of Oz, the *Bugle* contains all sorts of rare Oziana—bibliographical notes, stories, pictures and Oz maps, and of course, all the latest Oz news.

All loyal Ozzites, whether they live in Oz, America, or Timbuktoo—are urged to join. Send your remittance to the International Wizard of Oz Club secretary, Fred M. Meyer, 1620 First Avenue South, Escanaba, Michigan.

## SOCIETY NOTES

### Engagement Announced

**PAX-ON-ARGENT**—The most important news of the season is that of the engagement of Prince Gules of Halidom and the Lady Annelet. The announcement was made yesterday by the Prince's parents, King Herald and Queen Farthingale.

Although the date has not yet been announced, it is whispered that plans for the royal wedding indicate that it will be the most elaborate affair of its kind yet seen in Oz. A photo of the happy pair appears at right.

(Details of the events which led to the announcement of this joyous occasion will be found in the book *Merry Go Round in Oz*.)



## Fashion Forecast

The Patchwork Girl has just been engaged by *The Ozmapolitan* to conduct a column of fashion notes and beauty hints. Miss Scraps says:

"This season, green is the high-fashion color for ladies of the Emerald City. I am informed, however, that the ladies of the Munchkin, Winkie, Gillikin, and Quadling Countries will favor, respectively, costumes of blue, yellow, purple and red. Of course, if you are fortunate enough to possess a variegated complexion (such as my own), you may wear all these colors at once—and perhaps enliven the combination with tasteful touches of orange, heliotrope, chartreuse, and sky-blue pink."

(The Patchwork Girl has more gems of wisdom to offer in *Merry Go Round in Oz*.)



## Visiting Royalty

Our gracious ruler, Princess Ozma, the Princess Dorothy and the Cowardly Lion, were royally entertained last week by the King and Queen of Halidom, at their castle at Pax-on-Argent, in the Munchkin Country.

The entertainment culminated in a Grand Banquet—the *piece-de-resistance* of which was Queen Farthingale's famous rose-applesauce cake. Although the recipe for this delicacy has for centuries been one of Halidom's most jealously guarded secrets, Queen Farthingale graciously revealed it to Princess Ozma.

(Further details of the social events and culinary delights of the Kingdom of Halidom are to be found in *Merry Go Round in Oz*.)

Jenny Jump's Style Shop in the Emerald City is being very heavily patronized these days. We suspect that this sudden surge of business is in anticipation of invitations to the wedding of Prince Gules and the Lady Annelet.

The "Bossa Ozza" is the latest dance craze. It seems to be very popular with the younger set in the Emerald City. (We predict, however, that it will never attain the popularity of our old favorites, the "Oz Two-Step" and the "Ork Trot.")

**WOGGLEBUG ENTERTAINMENT HUGE SUCCESS**

Last evening, Professor H. M. Wogglebug, T. E., lectured at Wogglebug College on his adventures in America. His talk was accompanied by films and color slides taken during his recent expedition, with the Scarecrow, the Tin Woodman, Jack Pumpkinhead and the Sawhorse, aboard the Flying Gump.

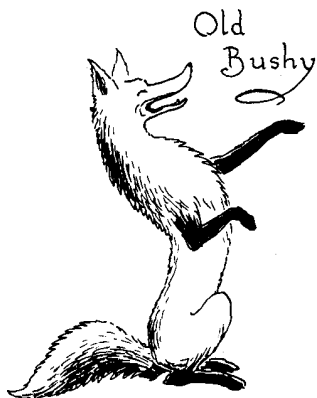
All who attended the lecture were so interested in the quaint customs of the natives of the little-known and unexplored United States of America, that Professor Wogglebug plans to tour the Land of Oz with his travelogue for the rest of the season.

(Full details of the Wogglebug Expedition are chronicled in the book *The Visitors from Oz*. See page 4.)

**Another Ozly Okmok**

Princess Ozma has made Dick Martin, the Chicago artist, a Chevalier of the Ozly Order of Okmoks of Oz in recognition of his services in illustrating the new book, *Merry Go Round in Oz*. Mr. Martin is currently commissioned to paint a series of portraits of our more distinguished Ozian subjects, including the Scarecrow, the Tin Woodman, Professor Wogglebug, General Jinjur and the Wizard of Oz. They are to be hung in the Royal Gallery (the portraits, not the subjects).

Many of these portraits also appear, in full color, in the *Oz Picture Books* (see page 4).



(Ozmapolitan photo)

**SPORTING NEWS**

**Sawhorse to Race Merry Go Round**

The Directors of the Emerald City Jockey Club report much excitement over the prospect of next Saturday's race. Although the Sawhorse is the favorite, it is felt that he will have to break his own record in order to win. The newest entry, Miss Merry Go Round, is an even match for the champion; both animals are made of wood and virtually tireless.

Although Merry has proven herself hard to beat even on a muddy course, the Sawhorse has a distinct advantage on a straight track, as Merry has a tendency to run in circles if she becomes overly excited. The speculation is heavy.

(Full particulars of Merry's racing prowess to date will be found in her book, *Merry Go Round in Oz*.)

**Tourney Postponed**

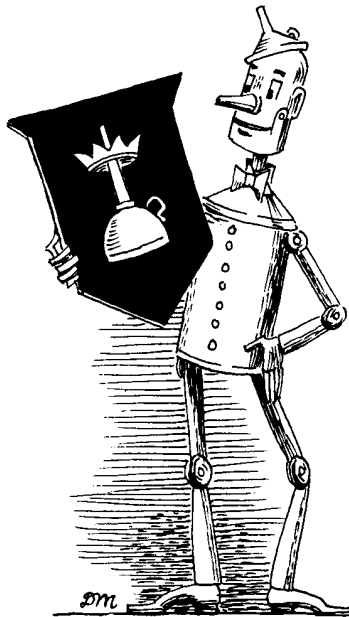
The much-heralded joust between Sir Gauntlet and Sir Greves, both Knights of Halidom, has been indefinitely postponed. The often-deferred event, last scheduled for today, has been put off again as Sir Gauntlet has to get a haircut, and Sir Greves has to stay at home and prune the roses.

**A Foxy Stunt**

Old Bushy of View-Haloo is an authority on matters pertaining to The Hunt. During yesterday morning's fox hunt in the Quadling Country, he neatly outwitted the hounds, thus:

"I used a trick my great-uncle Whitetail taught me. I cut north for a hundred yards, ran my foil for fifty or sixty, turned sharp by the bullfinch, jumped the big ditch, and met a friend of mine—a hare! The two of us ran around a little to foil the field, then just sat in a thicket and watched the fun. Laugh? Thought I'd burst."

(You will learn all about the good-natured fun between the foxes and hounds of View-Haloo in *Merry Go Round in Oz*.)



**Tin Woodman Pleased With Coat-Of-Arms**

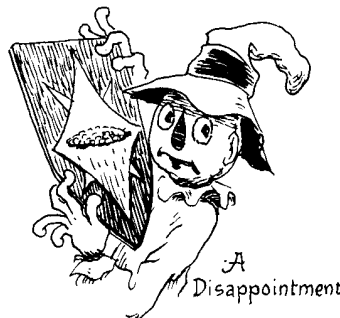
The principal exports of the Kingdom of Halidom are coats-of-arms, designed to order for the crowned heads of Oz—and other citizens who desire stylish embellishments.

Nick Chopper, the Emperor of the Winkies, otherwise known as the Tin Woodman, has just ordered a coat-of-arms from one of the finest Halidom craftsmen. Nick is very pleased with the result (see photo). It consists of a shield *azure*, charged with an oil-can *rampant*, crowned *argent*. It is a very handsome article.

The Scarecrow ordered a coat-of-arms also, but unfortunately it did not come up to his expectations.

"It was supposed to show an ear of corn *couchant*," he says, "but the artist got it wrong somehow; it looks more like a caterpillar."

(More information about the Kingdom of Halidom and its coats-of-arms will be found in *Merry Go Round in Oz*.)



**Life & Times of the Royal Historian of Oz**

CHICAGO (Ozmapolitan News)—The wonderful stories of our wonderful Land of Oz have been faithfully recorded by several distinguished Ozian scholars — Ruth Plumly Thompson, John R. Neill, Jack Snow, Rachel R. Cosgrove, Eloise Jarvis McGraw and Lauren McGraw Wagner; but our first and foremost Royal Historian of Oz was L. Frank Baum—the man who discovered Oz.

The story of Mr. Baum's own life is as fascinating and as fantastic as any of the tales of Oz he penned—and the reading of his biography is a "must" for all loyal Ozites.

L. Frank Baum once said: "To please a child is a sweet and lovely thing that warms one's heart and brings its own reward." His biographers, Russell P. MacFall and Frank Joslyn Baum borrowed his words, and their book about the Royal Historian of Oz is entitled *To Please a Child*. (See page 4.)

**CLASSIFIED**

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LOST—One (can't remember what) at (forgot where) on (not sure when). Finder please notify Miss Fussy Flutterbudget, Quadling Country.

WANTED—Every loyal citizen of the Land of Oz, to read the latest volume of the history of our fair country, entitled *Merry Go Round in Oz*.

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