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WILCOX: THE JOHNSON WAX PROGRAM - WITH FIBBER MoGERE AND MOLLY ORCH: THEME - FADE FOR:

WILCOX: The makers of Johnson Wax Products for home and industry present Fibber McGee and Molly - written by Don Quinn

- and Phil Leslie, with music by the King's Men and Billy Mills! orchestral

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    TUESDAY 6:30 PM PWT NBC
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WIL: One of the reasons you have linoleum on your kitchen floor is because it has a bright, colorful pattern. That makes your kitchen a more cheerful place in which-to work. But if you donit-take proper care of the linoleum, it loses its boauty - and if you scrub it continuously, it begins to break down. So when you protect it with JOHNSON'S GLO-COAT, you accomplish two things. You preserve its original color and beautiful pattern, and you make it last a much longer time. And of course, in addition, you save yourself lots of work all year iround, because GLO-COAT is self-polishing -- it needs no rubbing or buffing, takes practically no work from you. Simply apply and let dry that's the GLO-COAT story. The tough f1lm of GLO-COAT guards the surface against wear, dirt and moisture - seals the pores - gives a beautiful polish that's easy to maintain. Why not join the legion of satisfied users of JOHNSON'S SELF-POLISHING GLO-COAT?

YOU KNOW WHAT AN AUCTION ROOM IS? IT'S AN INDOOR JUNK YARD WHERE, IF THE AUCTIONEER CATCHES YOU NODDING, YOU'RE THE NEW OWNER OF AN ANTIQUE COBBLBRS BEACH THAT YOUR TEN-YEAR-OLD SON COULD HAVE NADE A BETTER ONE IN MANUAL TRAINING. BUT AUCTIONS HAVE A DEFINITE FASCINATION FOR SOME PEOPLE. . AMONG THEM BEING --

-     - FIBBER McGEE AND MOLLY\&


## APPLAUSE:

FIB:
MAN:
(CALLS) Ton dollars
(OFF) TEN DOLLARS, THE MAN SAYSI TEN DOLLARS FOR THIS LOVELY TEA CADDY...A GENUINE ANTIQUE...A GIFT FROM JULIUS CAESAR TO MARIE ANTOTNETTE! DO I HEAR FIFTEEN?

## Hercing Fib; ( OFF) FIFTEEN 18

MOL: For goodness sakes, McGee...stop bidding. We don't need a tea caddy. I can carry my own tea.

## FIB:

VOICE:
) FIB:
MAN: SEVENTEEN FIFTY I'M BID\& DO I HEAR TWENTY?...GOTNG ONCE AT 17.50...GOING TWICE AT 17.50...GOING THREE TIMES AT 17.50 GOLD SOR THREE TIMES SEVENTEEN FIFTY, WHICH IS EXACTLY FIFTY-TWO FIFTY, TO THE LUCKY GENTLEMAN IN THE FOURTH ROW8

## MURMUR OF VOICES

MOL: Come on, MCGe日. Let's go home. The weather has cleared up. And we've proved we knew enough to come in out of the rain..

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## (REVISED)

FIFTY DOLLARS
AHHH, FIFTY DOLLARS\& DO I HEAR SEVENTY FIVE? GOING ONCE AT FIFTY...TWICE...(GAVEL) SOED\& FOR, FIFTY DOLLARS, TO NRS. CARSTAIRS! Shall we deliver it for you, Mrso Carstairs?
Thank you, no. My chauffeur will call for it. YOO HOO. . HELLO THERE, MRS. CARSTAIRS! (FADE IN) Oh how do jou do, Mrso McGe日.... Hiyah Carsty. That was quite a slug of moolah you just put out for that worm-eaten pile of condemned Iumber. Darn thing's got three legs like Queen Anne and one like Leon Errol.

I guess Mrs . Carstairs knows what sho!s doing, deario. I happen to be buying this highboy for my husband, Mr. McGeo: Mr. Carstairs is extremely fond of antilques. There's as perfect a straight line as $I$ ever heard. Carsty. But I haven't got the heart to deliver the boff. That's a pretty heavy piece of funniture for your chauffeur to handle, Mrso Carstairs. Maybe McGeo would help him carry it out.
Thank you, my dear, but my footman will assist him. Wo still have one footman you know, although our domestic staff has been cut to the bone。
He has? How?
Slicing toast for hors douvres. Did I tell you. Nres. MCGee, that I was forcod to discharge my upstairs maid last weok?


## (REVISED) -8

Crampwell I: Hey, he's the rich millionaire that had all his money hid around his house: That trunk might be full o' cash!
Not very likely, McGee. His estate spent forty years in probate court. If there, was any money in that trunk thereld be three lawyers sitting on the lid.

- Just the same I gotta good notion to -
, WHAT AM. I BID FOR THIS STURDY, INTERESTING OLD TRUNK,
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN? A DREADNAUGHT TRUNK IS PRACTICALLY INDESTRUCTIBLE, AND -
TWO DOLLARS 1
The little man bids two dollars. A RIDICULOUS OFFER, FRIENDS. TWO DOLLARS FOR A HANDSOME TRUNK WHICH MIGHP CONTAIN VALUABLE PROPERTY WORTH THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS ! Four dollars
FOUR DOLLARS !
FIVE DOLLARS 6
FIVE DOLLARS
SIX DOLLARS :
SIX DOLLARS..AH, WHAT SPIRITED BIDDING, LADIES AND
GENILEMEN. WILL SOME MAD, IMPULSIVE SPENDTHRIFT RAISE THE BID TO SIX FIFTY?
SEVEN BUGKS :

FIB:
MAN :

FIB: SEVEN DOLLARS, THE LITTLE MAN OFFERS \& LEI'S STOP MATCHING NICKELS, LADIES AND GENTLEIEN, AND GET, ON WITH BUSINESS. THIS IS AN AUCTION SALE, NOT A --
NINE DOLLARS AND THAT'S MY LAST OFFER \}

## (2ND REVISION) -9-

MOL: MoGee, if you plan to put that moth-eaten old grab-bag in our hall closet, I:11...
MAN: NINE DOLLARS I'M BID..DO I HEAR --
VOICE:
FIB:
MAN:
FIB: I SAYS TEN DOLLARS AND THREE CENTS. TAKE YOUR EARMUFFS OFF, BUSTER. SPRING IS HERE.
MAN: GOING ONCE AT TEN DOLLARS THREE CENTS. GOING TWICE.. (GAVEL) SOLD TO THE SHORT SPORT IN THE LONG SWEATER.

## MOL: Oh dear...ohere we go again.

FIB: AND HERE'S YOUR DOUGH, WISE GUY. IN CASH 8
MAN: AND A PLEASANT SURPRISE IS IT, NY FRIEND. Will you take it with you or shall, I have our twelve beautiful dancing girls carry you home in it?
MOL: That's an interesting question, MoGeo. How do we get it home?

FIB: You stay here a minute, Molly. (FADES) I'll go get a cab and the driverill help me load it on.
MOL: HURRY, MCGEE, (PAUSE) Do you really think this trunk has something valuable in it, Mr. Auctioneer?
MAN: Lady, I'm going to be honest, for the first time today. That's the worst hunk of junk that ever broke an express company's heart and I wouldn't give you a counterfeit dime for it if it was full of nylons, T-Bones and Greer Garson. (GAVEL) AND NOW LADIES AND GENILEMEN: ITEM FOUR FOURTEEEN IN THE CATALOG.....
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TEN DOLLARS AND THREE CENTS.
What was that again, son? "DREAM"

FIB: Boy, is that trunk heavy 8 Cab driver said he hadn't had a bigger load on since New Year's Eve。

MOL: You Pre not going to leave it out here on the porch are you?
FIB: Why not?
MOL: Well, people might think we 've just come back from someplace. In which case they must have thought we?d been away. And if they didn't miss us any more than that, my feelings are hurt.
FIB: I guess I better get it in the house at that. If it's fuil of money it'll be safer inside. Open the door, will you?

SOUND: DOOR OPEN
FIB: Okay ...ONE 8...TWO \&...THRE : \& 8
SOUND: SCRAPES. .THUDS. .BUMPS . .GRUNTS. .DOOR SLAM
FIB: WHEW 1 : (SLIGHTLY OFF) That's the heaviest piece of luggage $I$ ever saw ... but did you hear it jinglé when we moved it?
MOL: Yes ... what do you suppose it's full of? Ple tins? FIB: Look, snooky. These trunks haven't been manufactured - for 75 years. And 75 years ago they used gold money. If this trunk is full of ten-dollar gold pieces, for instance, weire modestily, rich, in a fllthy sort of way.

MOL:
FIB: Weire also in trouble with Uncle Sam, aren't we? NAW ... the government will pay us thirty-two bucks an ounce for gold - or something like that. And this thing must weigh 300 pounds. Allowing sixty pounds for the trunk, that leaves 240 pounds, and 16 times 240
is how much.
Three thousand, eight hundred and forty, though I'd like to check that with the quiz Kids. That's near enough. 3840 times thirty-two bucks is ... or...
MOL:
FIB:
A hundred twenty-two thousand, eight hundred and eighty. WOW \& A HUNDRED AND TWENYY THREE THOUSAND BUCKS \& $\$ 8$ WE PRE RICH: 8 NOW I CAN TAKE ANIHONY ADVERSE BACK TO THE PUBLIC LIBRARY:
MOL: Wait a minute, McGee ... before we fill the swimming pool with champagne...hadn't we better see what's actually IN this trunk?


Well, jeepers, whold be dumb enough to think of a trunk like this being full of money?
I don't like to mention names, but I could stroke his five o'clock shadow from where I'm stahding. OKAY OKAY..SCOFF IF YOU WANNA \&.。DERIDE ME \& \& BUT BY GEORGE, WHEN I GET THIS TRUNK OPEN AND START COUNTIN I OUT COID CASH YOU GOT ANY TRUNK KEYS, ALICE?
No, I haven't, Nr. McGee. I don't own a trunk. I just have girplane luggage.
Oh, do you like airplane travel, Alice?

DO If CREEMINY...TO SAIL ALONG FIFTEEN THOUSAND FEET IN THE AIR...WITH YOUR NEALS BROUGHT TO YOU, AND NO TIPPING, AND WI TH THOSE GOOD IOOKING PILOTS SAYING EXCUSE NE WHEN THEY BUMP INTO YOUR ELBOW THAT YOU STUCK OUT WHEN YOU SAW THEM CONING AND EVERYTHING...JEEPERS...I'LL BER I'D LOVE IT IF I EVER TRIED IT!
Look, kids...this chatter is very amusing, I'm sure, but with a forty-cent lock standing between me and a hundred thousand bucks I ain't in any sod for prattlo. YOU GOT ANY KEYS, ALICE?
Well, here's a key to my tool box at the factory.
Try it, McGeo....
Okay... (RATTLE) Nope. That won't unlock it.
Isn't that a coincidence? It won't unlock my tool box either.
It WON'T? Then how do you work if you can't get at jour tools?

## (REVISED)

Oh I don't keep them in my tool box. They get, too dirty. Tou see, it's a toolbox that one of the boys that he
DOOR SLAM:
FIB: $\quad$ She was a big helpd
MOL: Well, you bought this trunk, dearie. Getting it open
is jour problem.
FIB: DON'T WORRY...I'LL GET IT OPEN\& Lemme try some more of
these keys.
JINGIE OF KEYS:
MOL: Talk about innefficiency I'll BET YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT
TWO THIRDS OF THOSE KEYS ARE FOR』

No.
You see, MoGee? There are men who don't consider it necessary to oarry four pounds of keys. Himself here - always has so many keys on him he's getting roundshouldered in the hips, Mr. Wilcox.

Well, why doesn't he use one of them to cpen the trunk?
BECAUSE NONE OF IEM SEEMS TO FIT, THAT'S THE REASON WHY I DON'T. (JINGLE OF KEYS) Now, let's see... this one here might...
Gee, it's a shame to let a handsome sturdy trunk like that get lookíng so shabby when just a little -...

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MOL: Well, I will say it looks a lot better alrecidy, Mr, Wilcox,
Of course it does. You see Johnson's Wax...
LOOK, JUNIOR....

Yeah?
I don't like to be inhospitiable, but if you can't contribute more toward gettin' this trunk open than a lecture on wax, go on home, will you? Now, McGe日. . . . .
(1) WIL:

FIB: At an auction sale. Used to belong to a rich millionaire.

WIL: Sayyy, a cousin of mine, Big Moxie wilcox, bfought a 40 year old wooden box at an auction once, and he said it was the smartest thing he ever did in his ilfe. Boy, was he happy when he got home and opened it upl You know what was in 1t?

FIB: Here's jour hat, Junior. If that box was full of Johnson's Wax, put it on and scram.

## SOUND: DOOR SLAM:

MOL: I don't think that was very polite of you, McGeo.
FIB: Any guy with my dough, doesn't have to be polite.
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MOL: Oh, someplace, I suppose. I'll ask Beulah. OH, BEULAH 1 . . . BEULAH 1

DOOR OPEN:
BEULAH: Somebody bawl fo' Beulah?
FIB: Hey, we got any trunk keys layin' around, Beulah? BEULAH: If we has, suh, they ain' neveh come to Boulah's attention. Wheah this ole trunk come from?

## (REVISED) -19

MOL: Mr. McGee bought it at an auction, Beulah. He thinks it might be full of ten dollar gold pieces.

BEUL:
FIB:

MOL:
BEUL:

FIB:

BEUL:

MOL:
BEUL: Ten dollah gold pieces ... what is they? Molly, please ... you're too excited about this things Hold Jourself down a little. It might not be full of ten dollar gold pieces at all. Might be only FIVE dollar gold pieces. I didn't say I thought so. I said YOU thought so. Ma'am, if I had me a trunk I suspicioned was only full o' Indian pennies, I'd teah the lid off wif mah teeth and nails.
You wouldn't tear the lid off this one that way, Beulah. This is a genuine Dreadnaught trunk. They built these things to toss off the top of a stage coach. Yassuh. But my point was, that if they was just a old trunk between Beulah an' affluence, (CHUCKLES) ah could kick a hole in it wif mah bare feet!

BEUL: MY GOODNISH; MA'AM, I'D ... I'D .... er ... Well doggone if I know! Anything over ten bucks, I gits stage fright. BUT I COULD THINK of SOMETHIN?
You and Ira could really get married on a trunk full of money, couldn't you Beulah?

Nossuh.
What?
Ira he be too proud to marry me if I was a rich woman. In which case I'd dump it in the riveh. Tain't much fun settin' in the movies, holdin' hands wif a bank book. Not that I evah try it.

| FIB: | DAD RAT IT, MOLLY, IIVE TRIED EVERY KEY I OWN AND THIS LID HASN ? BUDGED AN INCH. Haven't you got any trunk keys hid away? |
| :---: | :---: |
| MOL: | No, dearie, I havenit. But therels an axe in the basement. You can chop a hole in it. |
| FIB: | Yeah, I thought of thát, but there's heavy penalty for defacing United States currency. If the axe should slap into one of those ten dollar gold pieces, I'd be in trouble. |
| MOL: | Yes, therets that, too. And if it's full of diamond rings you might dull the axe. Might as well think of overything. |
| FIB: | Now lemme see :... I hate to call a locksmith because heid blab all over town that McGee was in the bucks. And I want to blab its |
| DOOR CHIME: |  |
| MOL: | CONE INI |
| DOOR OPEN: CLOSE |  |
| MOL: | Oh hello, Doctor Gamble. |
| DOC: | Hello, Molly. Hello, Small Fry. |
| FIB: | Hiyah, Pasteur. You got any trunk keys on you? |
| DOC: | No, and I left my burglaris jimmy home, too. Careless of me. |
| MOL: | McGee bought this trunk at an auction, Doctor. He can't get it open. |
| DOC: | It's probably just as well. |

The alternativo, then, is got a locksmith. OR, you could wait till next winter, filli the lock with cold water and let the ice expand it open.
Ild be nervous having two hundred and twenty thousand dollars in the house all that time. HOW NUCH?

That's what I Pigured, Doc. 220,000. If it's full of ten dollar gold pieces. Or, a hundred and ten thousand if it's full of five dollar gold pieces。
I see. Would you think it forward of me; if I wantod to take your temperature, sonny? YES I WOULD....AND GET YOUR BIG FAT HAND OFF MY FOREHEAD He's not feverish, Doetor. After all there's a slight chance that this trunk MIGHT have money in it. WELL FOR THE LOUE OE MICE.

I beon telling you, dumbell.... I haven't got a key that will open it. The only key that will fit a Dreadnaught trunk is a Dreadnaught key. That's why I.....MOLLY.... WHA T ARE YOU DOING?

Just trying something, dearie.....my little brothor got locked in a trunk once and my mother opened it with a hairpin.
Oh don't be ridiculous. That trunk will have to be chiseled open.

Don't be so sure, gabby, Women can do more with a hairpin than --

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Some time ago I gave a friend of mine a package of JOHNSON'S CARNU to try on his car. He is now an enthusiastic CarNu user. "Why, this stuff is even better than you said it was," he volunteered. Then he brought his car around to show me what CARNU had done for it a light gray 1940 model that really was beautiful, spic and span with a showroom shine. In these days when it's hard to get your car serviced, you can still keep it beautiful and protect the paint job with JOHNSON'S CARNU because CARNU is so easy to use you can quickly do the job yourself. CARNU is the auto polish that does two things at once - cleans and polishes with one application. It's a liquid - you apply it with a cloth, let it dry to a white powder and wipe off the powder. CARNU does an amazing cleaning job, without injury to the finish and with minimum elbow grease and it leaves a satin-smooth finish that's easier to keep clean. You have to try CARNU to know how good it is - your dealer has it, the same reliable JOHNSON's CARNU - spelled

SOUND: FAST FOOTSTEPS ON SIDEWALK
FIB: Ohhh, I had a trained flea and his name was Daniel Who was saving up his money to buy a spanilel...

SOUND: FAST FOOTSTEPS UP ON PORCH: DODR OPEN, CLOSE:
FIB: .. $H$ Hey, Molly... you know what I did?
MOL: Had I better sit down before youtell me?
FIB: No, look...I took all those Dreadnaught trunk keys seven thousand of 'em - to a locksmith and he gimme twenty bucks for 'em!

MOL: Well, good for you, dearie. You made a profit on your investment, after all.

0 FIB: And, because you were smart enough to open the trunk with a hirpin, I bought you a little present.

MOL: Well, thank you darling... what is it?
FIB: Package of hairpins.
MOL: Oh.
FIB: Yup. Goodnight.
MOL: Goodnight, all.

## PLAYOFF: SIGNOFF

WIL: This is Hariow wilcox, speaking for the makers of JOHNSON WAX FINISHES FOR HOME AND INDUSTRY, and inviting you to be with us again next Tuesday night. Goodnight。

ANNCR: This is The National Broadcasting Company.
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