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- ANNOUNCER: There's heartening action being taken these days to ease the meat situation throughout the country. Leading stockmen of the West are advocating an early marketing program that holds fine promise for helping to get out this year the meat supplies that are urgently needed this year, for adjusting the remaining numbers of livestock to the local available supplies of range and farm feeds, and assuring for next year and the next a maximum production of livestock. In this program Uncle Sam's Forest Rangers of course are lending their hearty support ... Now to the Pine Cone Ranger Station where we find Ranger Jim Robbins' wife Bess and Mary Halloway, the local schoolma'am. Mary, as you know, is the sweetheart of Jim's assistant, Jerry Quick, and that probably accounts in part for her fierce loyalty to the Forest Service, which she seems to be demonstrating at the present moment. Here they are:
 - MARY: (FADING IN) I tell you, Mrs. Robbins, I was so upset about what the children told me, I just couldn't get my mind back on teaching all afternoon.

BESS: Children exaggerate so, Mary.

MARY: Yes, I know, but they must have heard something like that just the same. Oh, I wish Mr. Robbins were here. longer internal states and states of

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1	BESS:	He and Jerry ought to be in shortly, Mary. And I know
2		they'll tell you it's all just foolish child's gossip.
3	MARY:	I do hope you're right. After all the Ranger wouldn't
4		cancel the grazing permits of those Beaver Creek people
5		without some good reason, would he?
6	BESS:	Of course not, Mary. Especially now, when he and Jerry are
7		working so hard with the ranchers and farmers to produce
8		more meat.
9	MARY:	That's just the point though. Mrs. Robbins. That's what
10		lends strength to what the children told me
11	BESS:	I'm not sure I understand, Mary.
12	MARY:	Well, if those ranchers didn't have any range, wouldn't
13		they have to sell their cattle right away, with home feed
14		as scarce as it is now?
15	BESS:	Oh dear, that's an awful thought, Mary. But I know Jim
16		wouldn't have any part in such doings as that. He couldn't,
17		not Jim.
18	MARY:	Well, I guess we'll find out soon enough. There's Mr.
19		Robbins and Jerry coming up the driveway now.
20	BESS:	Mary?
31	MARY :	Yes, Mrs. Robbins?
22	BESS:	Mary, maybe you oughtn't to tell Jim about this, just yet.
23		It'll be bound to upset him and, well, there's probably
24		nothing to it after all.
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MARY: But Mrs. Robbins, this rumor - if that's all it really is -1 2 it could do an awful lot of harm, don't you see. I still 3 think Mr. Robbins ought to know. BESS: 4 (RESIGNED) All right, Child, I suppose he should at that. 6 SCREEN DOOR OPENS, CLOSES (COMING ON) Hi there! Well, Mary! Surprise, huh? 6 JERRY: 7 Staying for supper? MARY: Hello, Jerry ... I don't know about supper ... 8 Of course you're staying for supper, Mary...Jim, Mary's BESS: 9 got something to tell you. 10 Say! What're you two lookin' so down in the mouth about? JIM: 11 JERRY: Yeah. A fine reception. Jim and I get back here all pepped 12 up from seeing a lotta fine stock coming off the range for 13 market and ... 14 JIM: What's the trouble, Mary? 15 MARY: Mr. Robbins, are you going to make those folks in the Beaver 16 Creek section move all their cattle off the range? 17 JERRY: Hey, hold on there, Mary. Where'd you get any such cock 18 and bull story as that? 19 BESS: You see, Mary. It isn't true at all. 20 Wait a minute, all of you. What's all this about, Mary? JIM: 2. MARY: Well, several of the children at school told me today that 22 word has got around that you plan to close down the 23 grazing privileges in the Beaver Creek area right away, befor 24 the regular grazing season ends. 26

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2	JERHY:	Good gravy, what next? I'd just like to get my mitts
2		on the bird who started any orazy talk like that.
3	JIM:	The kids told you that, huh, Mary?
4	MARY:	Yes, Mr. Robbins. And the youngsters boasted that their
6		fathers are all getting together to stop you.
6	JERRY:	But it isn't so! The grazing season hasn't ended
3		yet over there around Beaver Creek. If we'd had a drought
8		or a bad fire or something, why that'd be different, but
0		shucks, there isn't any reason for this crazy talk.
10	JIM:	(BITTER) This is just another doggonned example of how
11		a rumor can get started and finally grow and grow 'til
10		it throws the proverbial monkey wrench into everything.
23		This is mighty bad, coming along now, especially.
14	BESS:	Because of the early marketing program, Jim?
10	JIM:	Yes that's it, Bess. We've been counting on those folks
10		over there in Beaver Creek to cooperate in marketing their
17		grass-fat cattle early this Fall. Now they'll get the
18		impression that they're being forced to do it.
29	MARY:	I told young Bobby Goodhart that the whole thing must be
20		a horrible mistake.
1	JIM:	You're talking about Lee Goodhart's boy?
32	MARY:	Yes, sir. Bobby seemed to know more about all this than
1		the other children and I gathered it was his father who is
04		most incensed about it.

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JERRY: Here we go again. Heading for Goodhart's place huh, Jim?

BESS: But, Jim, supper is about ready.

- 4 JIM: It'll have to wait, Bess. Those folks over there in that 5 Beaver Creek Country may just be what we'd call small 5 livestock men, compared to some of the big outfits we've 7 got around, but still they're mighty important to the 5 success of this cattle marketing program. This program's 5 something everybody's got to be in on, the little fella as 10 well as the big.
- JERRY: So we've got a nasty rumor to nip in the bud, huh Jim? JIM: Right. And the sooner the better.
- BESS: You'll be careful, Jim? If what Mary says is true, you're not likely to be exactly welcome in Beaver Creek, you know.. JIM: (SERIOUS) Don't worry, Bess. We'll be all right. (FADE) Coming, Jerry?

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 LEE: (FADING IN) I toldja you ain't welcome here, Robbins.
Us folks thought you'd have better sense than to come up her personal. We figured you'd do what you're plannin' to do by writin' letters, see?... But long's you're here, go ahead and say what you've gotta say. And then I reckon you better get outa here, you and your young Ranger buddy..

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1	JERRY :	Jim, this is worse than we thought, but that's no reason
2		why we should have to take this sort of
3	JIM:	Hold it, Jerry. Lee, it's funny how a lotta folks during
4		wartime let pure horse-sense and reason fly out the window
5		all of a suddenSome stupid talk gets started and do
6		they tear it apart to see if it's true? No! They go
7		hog-wild without checking for the facts.
. 8	LEE:	What's all that got to do with you fellas chasing our
9		stock off the range before the regular season we've paid
10		for is over with?
11	JIM:	Just this, Lee. Nobody's going to chase you off the range.
12		That's just plain stupid talk, and you oughta know it. I
13		don't know how a story like that ever got started with you
14		fellas here in Beaver Creek.
15	LEE:	Hold on now, Jim! You two Rangers oughta get together.
16	JERRY:	Huh? What do you mean by that, Mr. Goodhart?
17	LEE:	Just what I say. If I get Jim right, there's nothin' to
18		this business of moving us off the range.
19	JIM:	That's right. And I've never lied to you folks yet.
20	LEE:	Well, that ain't what Matt Talbert heard your young Ranger
2	1	here say to a bunch of men in Winding Creek just the other
22		day.
23	JIM:	Matt Talbert? Winding Creek? What's this all about,
24		Jerry?
25	JERRY:	Shucks, you got me, Jim.

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LEE: Now wait a minute. You mean to stand there, bald-faced, 2 and tell us you never made the statement that if us folks 2 in Beaver Creek knew what was good for us we d get cur 3 cattle off the range pronto? 4 JIM: (STERNLY) Jerry, did you say that? 5 JERRY: Holy smokes! (LAUGHS HEARTILY) So I'm the guy that really 6 started all this confounded mess. 7 JIM: What's so doggonned funny? 8 LEE: See, that's what he said, all right. Ω Aw, listen now, both of you.....Sure that's what I said. JERRY: 10 I guess the trouble is that that's all Matt Talbert heard. 11 me say; he wasn't around long enough to hear the rest of 12 ut. 13 I reckon Matt thought he'd heard enough right there. LEE: I 14 know I would've. 15 JIM: I shouldn't wonder. What was this little session you had 16 with those fellas all about, Jerry? 27 JERRY: Just what we've all been talking about for the last month, 18 Jim. Getting the grass-fat cattle to market early this 19 year. 20 But how did you come to make a statement like that, Jerry? JIM: 21 Aw, Jim, lay off, will you? Here's exactly what happened, JERRY: 22 see? I was telling the men about this early marketing 23 program, see? All about its importance to the war job, how 24 we gotta good chance now to get meat rolling. The whole 26 thing started when somebody asked me what the winter feed situation was going to be like. I told 'em it looked like it was goin' to be pretty tight.

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LEE: Yeah, but what's got to do with your crack about us Beaver Creek cattlemen?

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JERRY: 3 I'm coming to that. Mr. Goodhart. I was telling the men 4 that we're right about at the time when we oughta move our 6 surplus grass-fat beef, see? Then the feed that's left 6 on the range can go to keeping the breeding stock in good 2 shape, and that way, the range will get a break too. LEE: Shucks, there's no argument there. But what about Beaver 6 Creek? 9

JERRY: Well someone asked about you folks up here, and your stock. 10 They wanted to know if your cattle hadn't reached the point 31 right now where they weren't goin' to be gaining any more 12 weight on the range and so they ought to be marketed. See? 13 JIM: And that's when you made the remark that Matt heard, hun? 34 JERRY: Yeah. You see, I pointed out that none of us ought to 3.5 overlook the fact that shipping facilities are bound to be 20 better right now than later. 17

10 JIM: True enough. Later on it might be kinda tough getting cars 19 in here.

OJERRY:Right. Well, about then I guess was when I said that if1the Beaver Creek folks knew what was good for them they'd10get their stock off the range, pronto. But how Matt13twisted that to mean we were going to chase you off is14beyond me, Mr. Goodhart.

25 JIM: (CHUCKLING) You were talking about their stock that's already in top condition and ready to market, huh, Jerry?

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1	JERRY:	Sure! Good gravy, I never figured it'd be taken like it
2		was. Everything wouldn've been okay if Matt had just
3		hung around and listened to the rest of it.
4	LEE:	(SERIOUS) Doggone that Matt Talbert anyway You were right,
5		Jim. I reckon some of us don't take enough time to
6		reason things out these days About this early marketing
7		program, now. Shucks, us fellas here in Beaver Creek were
8		all lined up solid to go along with you before this
9		cockeyed story started going around. We know we ought
10		to move our stock when the movin's good, like now. We're
11		with you a hundred percent on that, Jim!
12	JIM:	That's fine, Lee, mighty fine Well, Jerry, I reckon we
13		better head back to the Ranger Station, before Bess and
14		Mary let their imagination run away with them.
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