



Ruggles of Red Gap

(1935)

Synopsis

This movie shows the comic escapades of Alfred Ruggles, the British butler to Egbert Floud, a cattleman in the wild frontier town of Red Gap, Washington. Ruggles attempts to adjust to life in America having been won by Egbert from his owner, the Earl of Burnstead, in a poker game. Leonard Maltin says, "A completely winning movie."

Cast

<u>Actor</u>	<u>Character</u>	<u>Actor</u>	<u>Character</u>
Charles Laughton	Ruggles	Maude Eburne	"Ma" Pettingill
Mary Boland.....	Effie Floud	Lucien Littlefield.....	Charles Belknap-Jackson
Charlie Ruggles.....	Egbert Floud	Leota Lorraine.....	Mrs. Belknap-Jackson
Zasu Pitts.....	Prunella Judson	James Burke.....	Jeff Tuttle
Roland Young	George – Earl of Burnstead	Dell Henderson	Sam
Leila Hyams	Nell Kenner	Clarence Wilson.....	Jake Henshaw

Trivia & Quotes

Based on the *Saturday Evening Post* story by Harry Leon Wilson, this story was a stage play in 1915, filmed in 1918 and 1923, then remade as *Fancy Pants* in 1950. It also was reprised as a radio adaptation for performances in 1939, 1945, and 1946.

Charles Laughton become so emotional during the scene in the saloon where he recites the Gettysburg Address that it took a day and a half to complete shooting it.

Egbert Floud: [pouring champagne] "What you want is... is... is... some more of this imprisoned laughter of the pleasant maids of France."