





### Rebekah Lodge Drill Team Will Practice Tuesday

Drill team of Rebekah lodge will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the I. O. O. F. hall for practice.

A regular meeting of the lodge was held recently at the lodge in the hall at which time Mae Forsythe, a member, was reported ill.

### Advice On Buying Foods By Weight Given To Women

DALLAS, April 1 (AP)—Women were advised today by R. L. Fuller, chief of the Dallas weights and measures division, not to be bashful about asking the price per pound and the weight of food.

Neither should they be bashful about seeing that the scale pointer reads at zero, he told the Texas State Dietetic association convention.

"Do not say 'fifty cents worth of steak or four pieces of ham.' Be definite. Don't be misled by large containers. Do not chase after bargains offered at ridiculously low prices, for you cannot expect an honest merchant to sell below cost," Dr. Fuller said.

R. M. Fisher, instructor in bacteriology at Baylor medical school, declared true cases of food poisoning were rare and should not be called ptomaine poisoning.

The great majority of food poisonings, he said, are in reality the effect of contamination of foodstuffs by bacteria which can produce disease in man. It would be better to call such conditions food infection, Fisher said.

Mrs. Mary Boling Clark of Southern Methodist University was elected president of the association. Other new officers named were Mrs. Asaletta R. Little, Temple, vice president; Mrs. Blake Bryson Patrick, Houston, secretary; and Miss Helen Seago, Galveston, treasurer.

Members of the nominating committee named were Miss Carolyn Cason, Austin; Dr. Grace Augustine, Denton, chairman; Miss Elizabeth Atkerson, Dallas; Mrs. Johnnie McCreary, Lubbock; Miss Mercedes Carvin Shipman, Abilene; and Miss Jane Sims, Fort Worth.

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### A Royal Peek at a Sister Princess



Princess Maria Pia, daughter of the Italian Crown Prince and Princess, was pictured in Rome recently gazing intently at her month-old sister, Princess Maria Gabriela, asleep in her crib.

### Ten Counties Of Gray County HD Council Meet

Gray County Home Demonstration Council met in regular monthly session Saturday afternoon in the office of the county agent, Mrs. E. J. Kelley, with Mrs. J. S. Fuqua presiding and Mrs. O. G. Smith as secretary.

Ten clubs, Ben Jack Bluebonnet, Eastside, Hopkins, Kingsmill, Laketon, Wayside, Wilcox, and Sunshine, were represented with a total attendance of 28.

Reports were heard from chairmen of the standing committees, educational by Mrs. C. W. Moore; exhibit, Mrs. Jesse Morris; finance, Mrs. S. J. Meador; and reporter, Mrs. Luther Petty.

Mrs. Kelley stressed the attendance of various meetings at her office throughout the month which are as follows: Training school and annual camp, April 8; recreation school, April 8; and reporters school, April 8. She also announced the material which is to be brought to training school.

### Mrs. Culberson Presides At Girl Scout Meeting

Due to the illness of the leader, Mrs. Ralph Thomas, Girl Scouts of troop one did not have a regular meeting last week. Mrs. F. M. Culberson acted as leader in the brief session conducted.

Those present were Betty Johnson, Juanita Osborne, Mollie Kennedy, Robbie Lee Russell, Della Mae Foster, Mary Lou Douglas, Frances Deering, Leola Hogsett, Doris Jean Baines, Virginia Washington, Erna Lee Kennedy, Elmarie Allen, Velma Faye and Thelma Mave Osborne, members, three visitors, Helen Johnson, Marylyn Hasten, Lucille Egan, and acting leader, Mrs. F. M. Culberson.

### LaRosa Sorority Meets Saturday To Plan Activities

La Rosa sorority met in the home of Miss Betty Lou Batton Saturday afternoon.

The formal dance which was formerly planned has been postponed until a later date. On April 13 the group will attend a preview and go to the home of Doris Taylor for a slumber party.

Refreshments of cherry pie topped with whipped cream and lemon tarts were served by Betty Lou Batton, Edna Earle Densmore, Evelyn Barnes, Inez Shaw, Kathleen Pevler, Betty Mounts, Doris Taylor, and the sponsor, Mrs. Noble Mounts.

PLANTS NEED THEIR VITAMINS Science and chemistry have made modern gardening practically foolproof. For instance, Vitamin B1 has recently been stabilized in liquid form. A little of this liquid—actually one drop in a pint of fresh water—is said to promote rapid growth, strength and vigor. The vitaminized solution should be used only twice a week and better results are obtained if the solution is mixed fresh each time the plants are watered with it. If the plants need extra waterings, use plain water. Indoor gardeners find this treatment particularly helpful.

HEART INTEREST Rita Hayworth, Hollywood star, wears her heart on her pocket instead of her sleeve. The early spring dress is of gray wool, the heart-shaped pocket in dark blue with a smaller bright red heart in the center of it.

TO WASH HANDMADE SPREAD Hand crocheted or knitted bedspreads can be dry-cleaned, of course, but if you prefer to wash them yourself, it can be done quite successfully at home without difficulty. Use plenty of warm, mild soap and "soak" the spread during the entire cleansing by adding more soap when the lather appears to deaden. Immerse the spread and squeeze the suds through it over and over. If the spread is very soiled, use a second side bath. Rinse several times in clear warm water, pressing out the excess water carefully and holding so that the weight of the water does not stretch the spread out of shape. Planning the spread on a sheet before drying over the line also helps to keep it even. Pressing usually is not necessary, but if you wish to accentuate the design, press on the wrong side with a cool iron.

To sell for human consumption a potato weighing more than one pound is against the law in England.

Build-Up Good News For Suffering Women Much of women's periodic distress may be unnecessary. Many who suffer from headaches, nervousness, cramp-like pains, other symptoms of functional dysmenorrhea due to malnutrition are helped by CARDUI. Each way it helps relieve periodic distress is by increasing appetite and flow of gastric juice. Thus it often aids digestion; helps build strength; energy; resistance to cardiac disturbances.

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### The Social CALENDAR

TUESDAY Mrs. C. P. Buckler will be hostess to Amalgam Bridge club at 2:30 o'clock.

High School Parent-Teacher Association will meet in the high school auditorium at 2:15 o'clock earlier than on Thursday.

Ladies Bible class of Francis Avenue Church of Christ will meet at 2:30 o'clock in the church.

Nazarene Women's Missionary society will meet at 2 o'clock.

Order of Eastern Star will meet at 2:30 o'clock in the Masonic hall.

Business and Professional Women's club will have an executive board meeting at 7:30 o'clock in the city club rooms.

WEDNESDAY Winning membership team of V.F.W. auxiliary will be entertained with a supper at 7 o'clock in the home of Mrs. E. S. Vio, 613 West Browning avenue, by the bowlers.

Order of Eastern Star Study club will meet in the Masonic hall for study.

Best Home Demonstration club will meet in the home of Mrs. Conner O'Neal for a program.

Parish Council of Holy Souls Catholic church will meet.

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### H-SU Gentlemen, and Coeds, Prefer Brunettes



FRANCES DEAN UNIVERSITY QUEEN

CLARA MAE

KOMA BEERY MAHLER, MABEL BIRD, LILLIAN COWAN

Brunette favorites outnumbered a blonde—whom gentlemen are said to prefer—four to one as Hardin-Simmons University students, in Abilene, elected class favorites and a campus queen.

Frances Dean, El Paso senior who is university queen; KOMA Beery Mahler, Claude senior; Mabel Bird, Abilene sophomore; and Lillian Cowan, Peecos freshman, all are brunettes.

Clara Mae, Eastland junior, was the lone blonde to be named. Miss Marsh, a talented soprano, is in New York for special voice study this spring. All will be honored in the beauty section of the Bronco, H-SU annual.

### CONGRESS LADY

Mrs. Sanford To Be Guest Speaker At Child Study

Child Study club sponsored by the American Association of University Women will have a regular meeting in the city club rooms Tuesday, April 2, at 2:30 o'clock with Mrs. Ed Lamb and Mrs. R. E. Eideleit as hostesses.

Roll call will be answered by each member giving an attractive way to serve cereal or a vegetable.

Mrs. E. Plank is to discuss "Cooking for Your Child." Mrs. R. H. Sanford is to be guest speaker, selecting her subject.

The nursery will be held in room 212 of the high school.

In the Himalayan range there are 26,000-foot peaks as yet unnamed.

Hans Christian Anderson, author of fairy tales, disliked children.

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March of Time "CANADA AT WAR" SELECTED SHORTS

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# Date Of Tournament Of Champions Not Decided

Date of the Tournament of Champions, when boxing champions of the north and south districts of the Panhandle High School Boxing League meet, will be decided within the next couple of days. The date will be announced by President Toby Waggoner of LeFors.

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Now the tournament can be held either this week or next, depending on opinion of coaches. A vote is being taken by letter whether to hold the tournament this Friday night or not until next week.

## BITS ABOUT BOWLING

Pampa women bowlers won several prizes in the Amarillo Invitation tournament Saturday night and yesterday. The Coca Cola team won third money in the team event while Modern Pharmacy placed sixth and Standard Food seventh.

Coca-Cola bowling scores table with columns for team names and scores.

Modern Pharmacy bowling scores table with columns for team names and scores.

Standard Food bowling scores table with columns for team names and scores.

Clarendon bowling scores table with columns for team names and scores.

Dr. Pepper Pampa bowling scores table with columns for team names and scores.

Magnolia Pet. Co. bowling scores table with columns for team names and scores.

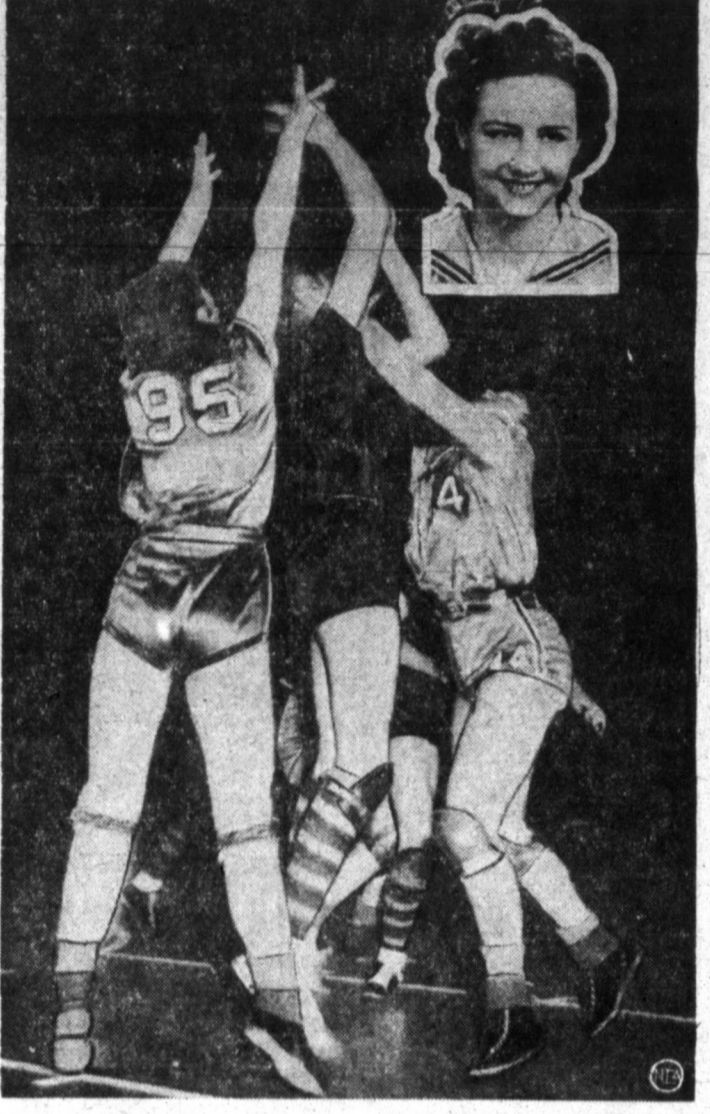
Jones-Everett Co. bowling scores table with columns for team names and scores.

The Mormon Tabernacle, Salt Lake City, is 250 by 150 feet, and the great domed ceiling has no supports other than the outside walls.

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### GALVESTON ANICOS BEATEN



In the Woman's National A. A. U. basketball tournament at St. Joseph, Mo., an underdog Nashville, Tenn., business college team wrestled from the Galveston, Tex., Anicos the cage crown they had held for two years.

### Demaret Has Everything But Killer Instinct, Say Friends

By WILLIAM T. RIVES HOUSTON, April 1 (AP)—Sammy Snead and Willie Laguire, the master instructor, were chinning during an overnight intermission of the Western Open Golf tournament.

### Indians, Giants And Pirates Bear Out Swingover Of Experts

By JUDSON BAILEY Associated Press Sports Writer Whether there is any connection or not, the experts who have been revising their early guesses on the probable place at the finish of the Cleveland Indians, Pittsburgh Pirates and New York Giants are getting a lot of support from grapevine league performances.

### Banquet Will Honor Uncle Billy Disch

By FELIX R. MCNIGHT AUSTIN, April 1 (AP)—College baseball's old silver fox, William J. (Uncle Billy) Disch, sits down at the banquet table here next Thursday night to hear 40 years of his fabulous past poured into brief, long-delayed tributes.

Old Uncle Billy, wrinkled and snow-haired but still as solid at 65 as any youngster who steals second base on his University of Texas teams, will be circled by the greys—some of them his own blossoms in 30 years of tutoring the Longhorns.

Not many college coaches have had longer continuous careers than Uncle Billy. Over his hawk-nose and through squinting eyes he has watched such jacks as Frank (Pinkie) Higgins, Bib Falk, Ernie Koy, Oscar Eckhardt and others jump from his school to major league stints.

Uncle Billy starts on his twenty-fifth Southwest conference campaign favored to win his twenty-first title. The banquet is just the "kickoff" to another conceded pennant. Celebrities by the hundreds will be there.

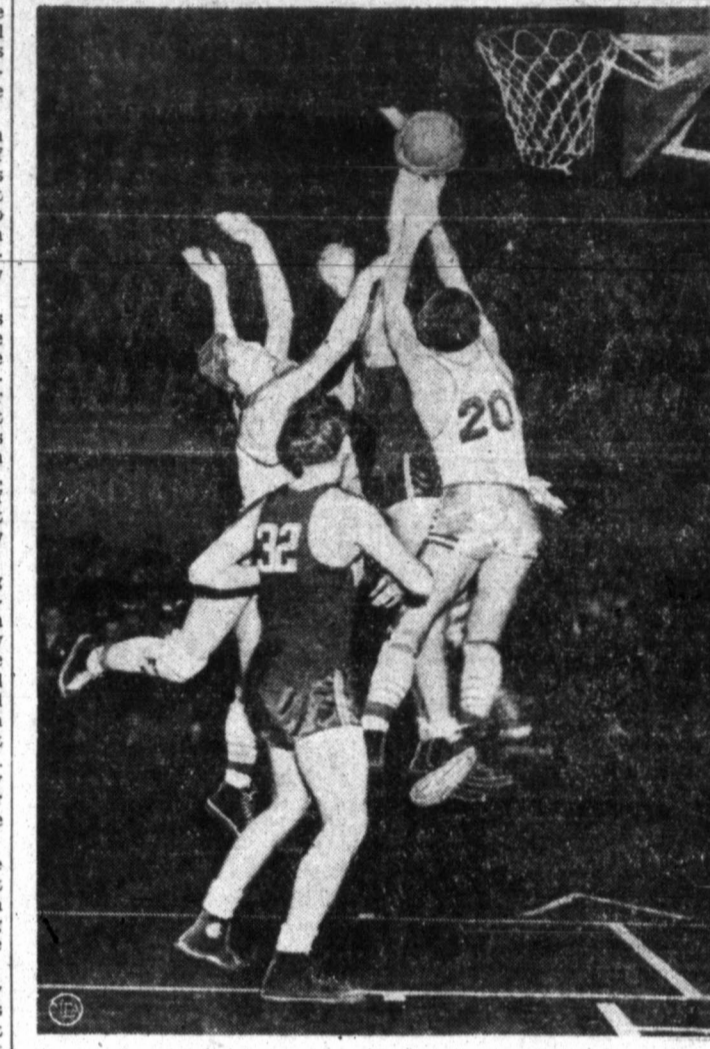
Maybe they'll tell the story that goes back almost to the turn of the century, when Uncle Billy was coaching at St. Edward's university in Austin. Some of the old-timers swear it's true.

### Sports Roundup

By EDDIE BRIEZE NEW YORK, April 1 (AP)—Joe Louis was paid off at the rate of \$80 for each of the 224 seconds he played around with Johnny Paycheck. Those blistering attacks...

### Crowd Roars As Nurmi Runs In Blase Garden

### AS INDIANA TOPPLED KANSAS



With a capacity crowd screaming in mixed cheers and jeers, Indiana University defeated the University of Kansas of the N. C. A. A. crown by beating them, 60 to 42, in a slam bang battle in Kansas City, Mo.'s public auditorium.

### Bill Crowson Wins Blind Bogey Golf Tournament Here

Bill Crowson won the blind bogey tournament at the Pampa Country club yesterday when he drew number 85. He also won high net score with an 85. Low net score went to C. P. McGinnis with a 65.

### The 18-Year-Old Rule--Some Arguments For And Against It

By FLEM HALL Star-Telegram Sports Writer In the third of a series on the Texas Interscholastic league and the fight it is having with its members, we are going to discuss the 18-year rule.

### Wayside Girl Named Tournament Queen

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., April 1 (AP)—The Women's National AAU basketball title is back in Little Rock, Ark., and one of the greatest teams in the history of the game may be kept intact because of it.

### Lieb Florida Coach

GAINESVILLE, Fla., April 1 (AP)—Thomas J. Lieb, former Notre Dame grid star and coach at Loyola University at Los Angeles from 1930 to 1939, will take over the head football coaching job at Temple University, Philadelphia.

### Exhibition Baseball

(By The Associated Press) At Havana: Cuban All-Stars 4, St. Louis (N) 2. At Birmingham, Ala.—Boston (A) 3, Cincinnati (N) 2.

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16 Entradas To Be Given In 3 States

The United States Coronado Commission scheduled sixteen major "entradas" pageants, ten of them in New Mexico, and prepared to begin the casting next week of the premiere to be held at Albuquerque on May 29.

The week's developments also marked: Preparations for a coast-to-coast broadcast by Robert Ripley... The schedule of Coronado "entradas," historical pageants telling of Coronado epochal trip through the Southwest 400 years ago...

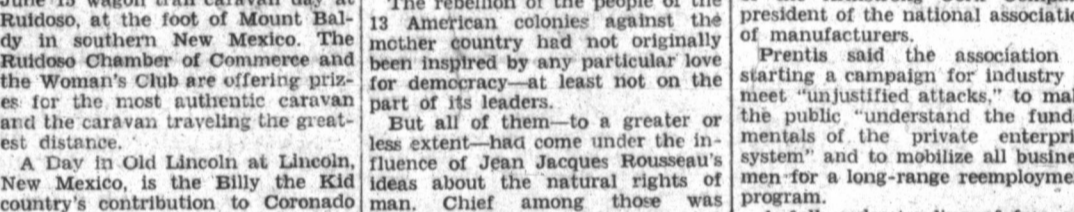
Overtime Rule For Basketball Changed Again

KANSAS CITY, April 1 (AP)--That tacking you hear in Indiana and Kansas isn't produced by faint hearts. The tick-tocks from Hoosierland come from 15 gold watches given the Indiana university basketball team for its swiftness, 60 to 42 triumph over the University of Kansas in the National Collegiate Athletic Association finals.

The game was the climax of a five-day congregation of cage experts. The national rules committee decided the spectators who liked the sport so much this season shouldn't be tormented by having to learn a new playing code for 1941 and made only two minor changes.

THE STORY OF DEMOCRACY

By Hendrik Willem van Loon, Illustrated by the author



The final destruction of the Athenian democracy gave the cause of "rule by the people" a bad reputation.

CHAPTER TWENTY-THREE. In case of the French revolution the law of Plato again functioned with startling accuracy. The unbearable tyranny of a king had led to a revolution which had placed all the power in the hands of the people.

Daniel Boosts His Paper In Radio Talk

AUSTIN, April 1 (AP)--The people of Texas need the "pure, unadorned facts" about important governmental matters in order not only to elect a governor but to elect members of the legislature, Governor W. Lee O'Daniel said tonight.

Political Calendar

- For State Senator, 31st District: CURTIS DOUGLASS
For District Attorney: CLIFFORD HIRLEY, BUD MARTIN
For County Judge: SHERMAN WHITE
For County Attorney: JOE GORDON
For Sheriff: G. H. KYLE, C. A. ROSE, CLARENCE LOVELESS
For District Clerk: MIRIAM WILSON, R. E. GATLIN, "BOB" WATSON, E. D. "KARL" ISLEY
For Tax Assessor-Collector: F. E. LEECH
For County Clerk: J. V. NEW, CHARLIE THUT
For County Treasurer: W. E. JAMES
For County Commissioner: Precinct 1: A. W. BOWERS, ARNOLD CARPENTER, J. E. (Joe) BENEFIELD
Precinct 2: H. C. COFFEY, ROGER S. MCCONNELL, R. A. EMERY, CLYDE E. JONES, R. L. YOUNG, Sr.
For County Commissioner: Precinct 3: THOMAS O. KIRBY, P. B. FARLEY
For Justice of Peace: Precinct 1: L. P. FERRIS, H. M. GUTHRIE, Precinct 2: Place 1: D. H. FERNY, CHAS. I. HUGHES, Precinct 2: Place 2: M. M. (Mack) SARGENT
For Constable: Precinct 2: EARL H. LEWIS, O. R. WASSON

Manufacturers Urge Free Enterprise

LANCASTER, PA., April 1 (AP)--The organized manufacturers of the nation started out today on a campaign to sell "free enterprise" with the prediction of their leaders that a "year or so" without "interference" would eliminate unemployment in the United States.

FDR Suffered From Intestinal 'Flu'

WASHINGTON, April 1 (AP)--The White House, discussing for the first time that President Roosevelt had been combating an attack of intestinal influenza, said today he would visit his Hyde Park, N. Y., home this week-end.

British And Nazi Raiders Active

LONDON, April 1 (AP)--The air ministry today reported that Royal Air Force planes flew over Germany last night and that "all our aircraft returned safely and undamaged."

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RHODESIAN STATESMAN

Crossword puzzle grid with clues listed on the right side, including: "1 Englishman after whom Rhodesia, Africa, was named", "18 To decay", "21 To accomplish", "22 Sings", "23 To assist", "24 Note in scale", "25 Native metals", "26 Stocking mar.", "28 Musical terms", "31 Frölic", "32 Bitter herb.", "33 Chinese money", "34 Incrustation", "38 Abrupt point.", "39 Songs for one voice", "40 Wrath", "41 Bone.", "42 Fixed practice.", "43 Compass point (abbr.)", "44 To subsist", "46 To doze.", "46 Mountain (abbr.)", "49 To assist.", "50 Red stone, element.", "51 Perfumed ointment.", "56 He was statesman in South Africa.", "12 Pitcher, a 113 fortune is used to promote or schooling.", "17 God of war.", "18 South Africa.", "20 He.", "21 South Africa, English colonies.", "22 Magistrate.", "23 Bliss.", "25 Smells.", "27 Charm.", "28 Palm leaf.", "32 Ever.", "34 Recorded.", "37 College graduates.", "38 Least.", "39 Quantities.", "42 Mythical tale.", "45 Coffin stand.", "47 To stuff.", "48 Str.", "49 Beam (abbr.)", "52 Palm lily.", "53 Point (abbr.)", "54 Either.", "55 Position in time.", "Answer to Previous Puzzle: HOR ITAL, VITIA MADROSE FOUN, WYRDERED DEDER, SYLOWLAND, H. H. KOLKEY, INSSET LIVES, SANCA URCHINS, DATE LAGORA, EDITI, NOR TENE TALD, CLUTTER DEAREST." and a 15x15 grid.

SERIAL STORY

K. O. CAVALIER BY JERRY BRONDFIELD

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YESTERDAY Hansen arranged to have three sailors let them-selves be shanghaied, just to give Val a thrill. The men were taken after a bottle, and the Northern Belle sails on time. An hour at sea, Mike Kelly rushes to Hansen, tells him there's been a mistake. Instead of the sailors, they've shanghaied Eddie Cavalier, his manager and his trainer.

CHAPTER IV CAPTAIN STEVE HANSEN went down the steps, three at a time, a lurid Scandinavian oath trailing in his wake.

For just a brief moment Val felt as though paralyzed. Then she flew after Hansen, a hundred thoughts racing through her head. Eddie Cavalier aboard the "Northern Belle" . . . shanghaied . . . by her . . . no wonder the three victims had put up such a terrific battle. . . . And it must have been Cavalier who was black-jacked!

She caught up with Hansen just as he started to go below. "Steve," she gasped, "Steve, before you talk to them, tell me . . . you had this thing all framed for my benefit, didn't you?"

"Of course, Matey, but who'd ever dream these three egos would happen along at just the right time and right spot. How was MacGregor to know in that darkness?"

He groaned. "Those three guys Barney had lined up probably didn't want to sign on anyway, took their 10 bucks each and got themselves offed."

She clutched his arm. "Steve . . . what're you going to do?"

"Only one thing we can do, I guess, and that's take 'em back to Frisco and try to convince 'em there's been a big mistake."

"That," she murmured, "will take an awful lot of talking. And Steve, if we turn back now we won't be able to get out again until morning—if then," she added meaningly. "Port authorities might want to know why we turned back. And our three friends below might cause us a lot of trouble and get us held for investigation. We don't dare take the chance, Steve. That contract means too much."

"Besides, Steve," she said slowly, "I've just had a wonderful idea."

He snorted. "Another one of

your ideas, eh. You'll be sinking the ship next."

"Steve, I'm going down to see them with you. And Steve, do you have enough faith and confidence in me to . . . to let me handle this situation? I mean it, Steve in all seriousness. Take your cues from me."

"Okay, honey. We're in it deep enough. Might as well go deeper. Let's drop in on our guests."

HANSEN opened the cabin door with his master key and they stepped inside.

"Well, if it isn't our rising young middleweight. Fancy meeting you here, Mister Cavalier," Val smiled.

Eddie Cavalier got up from the bunk. His handsome dark face clouded with anger and made the ugly welt above his eye stand out still more.

It took him a full moment to recognize her and then he let out a howl. "Duffy . . . Duffy, look who it is. That female sports writer! What've you got to do with all this?"

She motioned him to be silent. "In due time," she said coolly. "Perhaps we'd better have some introductions first. Captain Hansen, meet Eddie Cavalier, his manager, Duffy Kelson, and the other gentleman, I believe, would be his trainer, Pop Grimes, or am I mistaken?"

Hansen nodded to all in turn. Duffy Kelson yanked the cigar from his teeth so he could have freedom of action. He was a little fellow with a bristling mustache and shoe-button eyes.

"What's the meaning of this?" he shrieked. "What goes on? What the hell is this? Who's responsible? I'll have you locked up for life, you pirates!"

"Take it easy, Duffy." Deliberately Val seated herself in a chair. "In the first place, there's been a big mistake made but we'll have to make the most of it."

"Mistake?" the little man howled. "Toots, that's the only sensible thing you've ever said in your life. You never did like us. You never did have a good word to say about us in that column of yours, did you . . ."

He sputtered helplessly and Val smiled benignly. "A question, please. Just what were you gentlemen doing on that dock at that time of night?"

Duffy Kelson looked as though he would explode and it was the trainer who spoke up quietly. "Well, lady, it'll help clear up this mess, we been out doin' a little fishin' on the bay. On our way back from Oakland our motor went dead on the little

speedboat we'd rented and we drifted around until dark when someone picked us up and towed us in. And that's where they happened to drop us off."

"I see," Duffy Kelson, regaining his voice, glared at her. "I don't know who's boss around here, but you'd better have your admiral friend turn this mud scow around and take us back to Frisco."

"And what if we refuse?" Val inquired sweetly.

DUFFY KELSON once again struggled over his attempts to talk and it was Cavalier who answered her.

"You'd be an idiot to refuse. Where you bound for, anyhow?"

"Prince Rupert, British Columbia," she announced quite calmly. "And you won't be back for at least 12 days. I might inform you also, that while on board you'll have to earn your keep. We're shorthanded and you'll have to fill in. However," she added, "you'll receive standard wages for your efforts."

Duffy Kelson's shriek almost split the cabin walls. "You crazy dame, you can't do that to us. We've gotta fight in two weeks. Get us off this tub immediately or I'll murder you myself!"

"Disregard the sensitive gentleman on your left, Captain Hansen. He becomes violent on the slightest provocation. He's really harmless, however."

"Quit clowning," Eddie Cavalier said ominously. "Do we go back or not?"

"The answer is 'not.' About your fight, if I recall correctly, you and Johnny Massini are meeting to see who gets a crack at the champ. Right?"

"For the first time in your life—yes." "As much as I hate to say it, you ought to take Massini without too much trouble," she said meditatively.

"Look, lady . . . what're you driving at?" Duffy Kelson grated. "You're killin' me by inches. Why don't you get it over with and end my agony?"

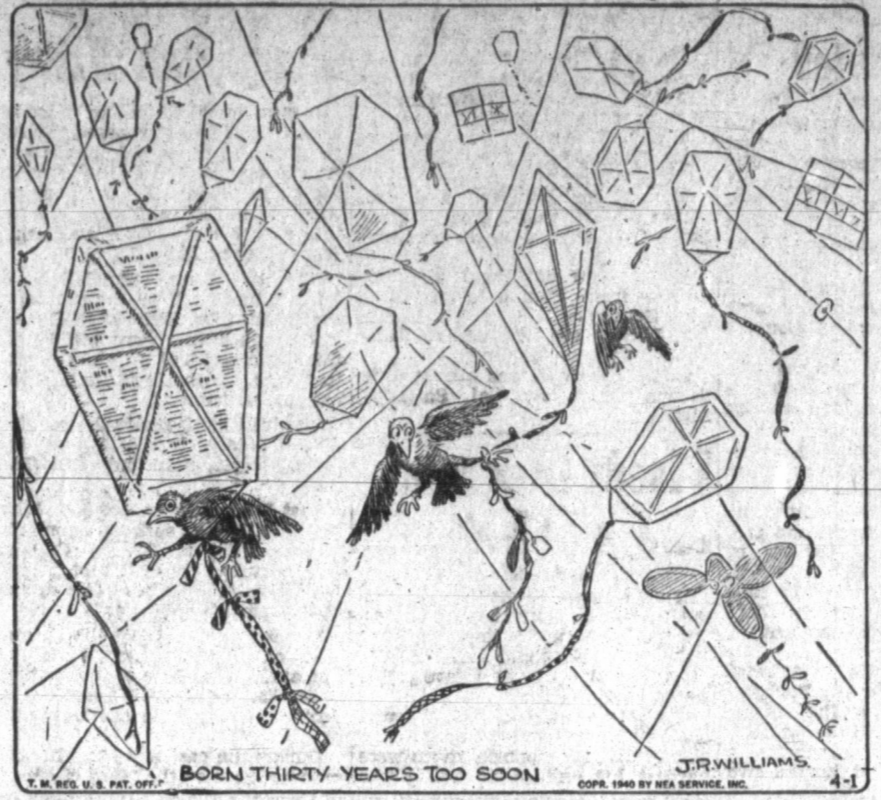
"Okay, Duffy. Here it is," she said excitedly. "You'll be able to go through with your fight with Massini, all right, but in so doing you're going to give me the scoop for that fight right on board this ship and I'm going to file my stories by ship's radio every day."

"Yowee! What a setup," she chortled. "The more I think of it the greater the idea sounds. What a story this'll make! What a story!"

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Little Beaver, Detective

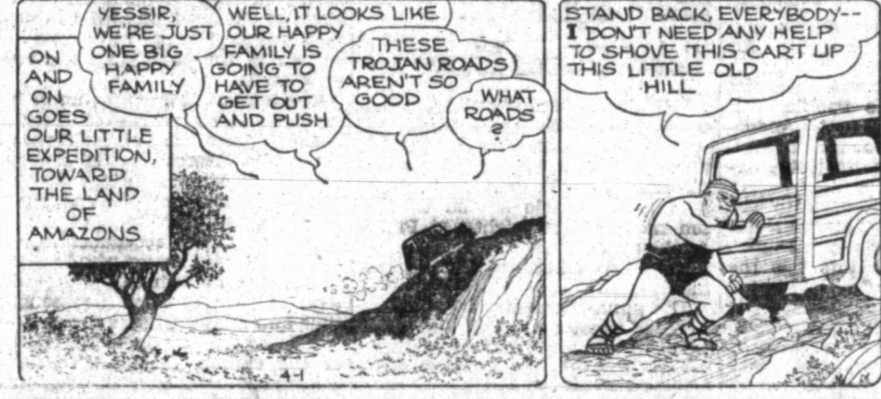
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Hercules Will Get It Yet

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WPA To Cut Rolls

About 700,000 In Next Three Months

WASHINGTON, April 1 (AP)—On the eve of congressional study of 1940-41 relief needs, the WPA decided to cut its rolls by about 700,000 in the next three months.

The action is designed to keep work expenditures within the \$1,477,000,000 allotted by Congress for the year ending next June 30. WPA enrollment was 2,311,500 on March 20.

Col. F. C. Harrington, WPA commissioner who made the announcement, will appear before the House appropriations committee this week to outline the administration's new relief proposals. It is generally expected that President Roosevelt will recommend a \$1,600,000,000 WPA fund, as proposed in his budget last January.

Sentiment has been developing in several congressional quarters, however, for a larger appropriation on the ground private industry is not absorbing substantial numbers of the unemployed.

Colonel Harrington explained that the WPA discharges would be gradual, with the April curtailment probably limited to 200,000. Workers will be dismissed as projects are finished and then the least needed projects will be eliminated. The WPA has about \$355,000,000 to spend until July 1.

Before consideration of relief funds the senate will have to vote on extending the reciprocal trade program. Administration leaders expressed confidence of complete victory on that issue.

Supporters argue the opposition reached its high vote Friday in the balloting on an amendment to require Senate ratification of each trade pact. That proposal was rejected 44 to 41.

The opponents, however, still have several cards up their sleeve before debate ends in mid-week. They will offer an amendment to require approval of trade agreements by a majority of both houses.

'Purge' Of Jews Asked In Mexico

MEXICO CITY, April 1 (AP)—The national vanguard, a conservative political organization, today called upon President Cardenas' administration to "purge" Jews and Communists from government positions.

The vanguard, which has been actively supporting the principal anti-government presidential candidate General Juan Andres Almazan, also demanded that Jews, Poles and Russian Communists cease to be favored over Mexican citizens in the granting of licenses for business enterprises.

Communists, with no legal right to residence in Mexico now occupy important positions in several government departments, the vanguardists charged.

FLAPPER FANNY

By Sylvia



"Now, let's understand each other—do I hafta be a fine, brave, big girl or can I yell?"

HOLD EVERYTHING

By GALBRAITH

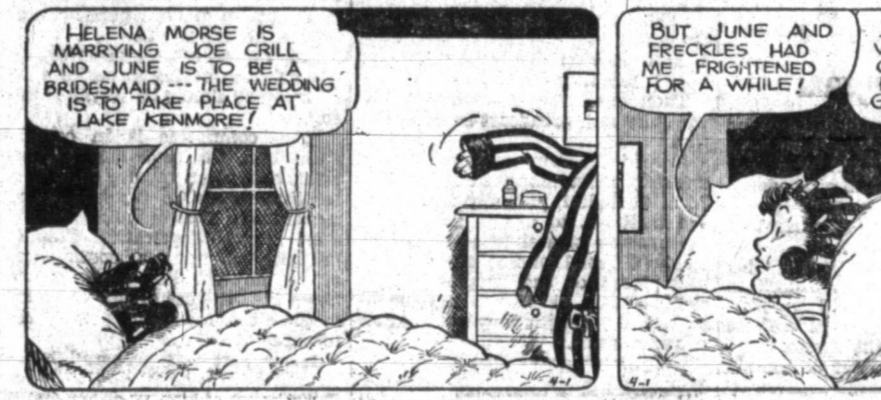


"What! No outboard motors? And you call this a drug store!"

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

Food For Thought

BY MERRILL BLOSSER



L'I' ABNER

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BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE

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