

TOMORROW FAIR

By Winifred Halsted

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THE STORY: Kitty Bishop comes to the suburban home of her brother, Ben Graham, and his wife, Peg, to recuperate from her sudden divorce from Collins Bishop, a meteorically successful young lawyer. Kitty had rebelled when the increasing importance of his career made him apparently neglect her. The first evening of her stay with the Grahams she meets brilliant Mac McGregor and hen-pecker Randall Seaton and makes a hit with them both. Peg is worried because of Mac Seaton.

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SUNDAY dinner was followed, as Sunday dinners so often are, by heavy somnolence. After a little prodding Mac had gone home to work, Jane and Bunny, whose activity was never impaired by anything, had disappeared but Ben frankly went to sleep on the living-room couch and Peg and Kitty only pretended to be awake.
The bull-voiced fire siren brought the whole town to Ben woke up. The church bell didn't ring, too, so he knew it wasn't an air raid warning and that he was free to enjoy the peaceful diversion of a Sunday afternoon fire. "Ben!" explained Peg, as her husband's eyes lost the haunted look that she knew meant he was wondering where his armband was, "is an air-raid warden."
"The jealous tone," said Ben, "means she hasn't yet recovered from getting a lower mark in First Aid than I did. Come on, girls, off to the fire!"
The whole population and the volunteer fire department arrived almost simultaneously at the scene of the excitement, a few blocks up the street from the Grahams'. Old and young, hale and halt, fraternized happily.
"Old Home Week," said Ben Graham appreciatively. "People I haven't seen in months. People I thought had taken to the hills and died. We did all this for you, Kitty. Nothing's too much trouble!"
"What a welcome," said Kitty appreciatively. "Thanks again—Wham! What a fire engine!"
"Some buggy, huh?" said Ben modestly. "We bought it with our little taxes."
"It's wonderful," said Kitty in blanket approval, but her attention had wandered.
SHE was entranced by the spectacle of a fireman in a checked cap chopping away at the roof from which a desultory thread of smoke occasionally emerged. He finally succeeded in his lethal efforts, unexpectedly, fell in the hole up to his left knee and was enveloped in a puff of smoke that drew great applause from the large and avid audience. An executive member of the first company, too ample to climb ladders, tilted back his derby and roared instructions from the ground. No one paid any attention. He started up the ladder, imprudently but gallantly. It buckled warningly, to more applause. Kitty asked rather plaintively why they didn't go in the front door and walk upstairs.
"Oh Kitty," said Peg reproachfully, "haven't you any sense of fitness?"
"Besides, the door's locked," said a voice at Kitty's shoulder. "The Tompkins' aren't home."
"Randall!" said Peg. "Hello! Where's—Oh Mag, do come meet Kitty! But you have, haven't you? You were an angel to send over for us last night but—"
"So sorry you didn't come," said Mag Seaton in a voice that made no pretense of meaning what it said. "How do you do, Mrs. Bishop. The most glowing reports of you were flying around last night; practically hysterical. The Tompkins' went off to Hanover for the week-end to see their boy. They thought they'd better go while they could before all the gas rationing business starts."
"What a mess for Betty Tompkins to come home to tonight," said Peg sympathetically.

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY
America's Card Authority

Our soldiers like to get into a bridge game once in a while. Today's hand was sent to me by Pfc. L. H. Hume, who is stationed at North Carolina State College at Raleigh. He played it in a recent duplicate of the Raleigh Bridge Association.

Hume won the opening lead with the king of hearts and ran off the

Kitty saw the muscles tighten around Randall's jaw at his wife's indirect and public accusation of his inadequacy. He observed in a carefully detached tone that Kitty probably wouldn't understand what a boon all this was on a Sunday afternoon in Doremus.

"Oh, good heavens, Randall!" Mag exclaimed in a tone that most people, Kitty considered uncomfortably, would have saved up to use behind closed doors.

Then she laughed unconvincedly, for Kitty's benefit, and remarked lightly that Randall, poor darling, insisted upon feeling cheated by life because every day in the year wasn't Christmas.

"That would be all right," said Kitty, "if you could go on believing in Santa Claus."
"I lost that simple faith long ago," said Randall.
"But you go on acting on it!" It sounded to Kitty like one of those basic domestic differences that spring into equally long-lasting life from as small a matter as a peculiar way of stirring coffee in the morning or, as seemed possible in this instance, from opposing theories of living.

Kitty felt sorry for Randall's uneasy embarrassment and so disturbed by the prickly atmosphere around the Seaton's that she was relieved when Mac erupted from nowhere with a cordial "Hi 'ya girls! Say, that fire truck's pretty snazzy."
"Who said you could come out of your cage?" demanded Peg. (To Be Continued)

five spades, discarding a small heart from his own hand. He did not make the mistake of discarding a diamond.

West had to make three discards. He could not discard a club or the whole club suit would set. He discarded two hearts, but if he let go another heart, the four of hearts would become the 12th trick; so he let go the nine of diamonds.

Now Hume led a small club from dummy and won with the queen, led a small diamond toward the queen. West played the jack and East won with the king. East returned a heart, South won, went over and cashed the ace and king of clubs, led a diamond and finessed the eight-spot, thus making the small slam contract.

Q 10 6 5 2
K 2
Q 7 2
A K 5 4

7 4
Q J 10 8
A 9
J 10 9 3

9 3
K 10 6 4
A 7 6 2

Dealer

Hume
A K J 8
A K 4 3
A 8 5
Q 8

Duplicate—None vul.

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	5 ♣	Pass
5 N.T.	Pass	6 N.T.	Pass

Opening—♥ Q. 21

POLICE RELEASE SUSPECT WITH FANTASTIC STORY

Police have released a Midland man who Saturday night aroused suspicions of a group of persons in a recreation parlor with a story that he could arrange for the release of American prisoners of war in Japan for \$40 each.

After thorough questioning, officers said the man was "just talking," and that he had not collected any funds.

Sahara is the Arabic word for "wilderness."

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OUR BOARDING HOUSE —with MAJOR HOOPLE OUT OUR WAY

—By J. R. WILLIAMS

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HA, MAJEURE! YOU ARE BRING THE SO WONDRAIR-FUL IMAGE WIZ YOU! —YUSSUF PASHA GOOKBAR TAKE EET, SAHIB! —IT ARE BEEG REWARD IN THEES ENVELOPE —NOW I MUST GO FAR!

EGAD! CERTAINLY! WHY, OF COURSE, POSITIVELY, PASHA! —BON VOYAGE!

MUST YOU RUSH AWAY, PASHA?

WE'RE STUCK AND I CAN'T DO A THING WITH 'EM TILL YOU GIT TH' WIMMIN' AN' KIDS AWAY FROM HERE!

DO YOU THINK I'M GOING TO EVACUATE A WHOLE TOWN BECAUSE MULES ARE BROUGHT UP ON PROFANITY? THEY COULD HEAR YOU IN THEIR STORM CELLARS!

BORN THIRTY YEARS TOO SOON

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

—By EDGAR MARTIN

WHOOOEE! WHAT A DAY!

WELL, YES...

YOU KNOW, BOOTS, I'VE REGRETTED MORE THAN ONCE THAT I SOLD OUR CAR! WE NEED ONE RATHER BADLY!

OH, WELL...

KEEP TAKING EVERYTHING INTO CONSIDERATION, LOOKING AT IT FROM EVERY ANGLE, FROM AN UNPREJUDICED VIEWPOINT, WHAT'S YOUR OPINION ON THE SUBJECT?

SURE

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

—By MERRILL BLOSSER

DO YOU WANT TO LOSE YOUR WOMEN PATRONS FOREVER?

OF COURSE NOT! BUT I CAN'T AFFORD \$1500 A NIGHT! MY THEATER SEATS ONLY 200 PEOPLE —AND WITH TWO SHOWS I'D HAVE TO CHARGE \$3.75 JUST TO BREAK EVEN!

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WASH TUBBS

—By LESLIE TURNER

THAT DOES NOT SOUND LIKE THE TEMPLE SONG, SELANGA!

GET HEP, UNCLE WEBAW! IT'S AMERICAN SWING! I LOVE IT!

AMERICAN! SINCE CAPTAIN EASY CAME YOU READ AMERICAN BOOKS AND PLAY AMERICAN MUSIC! IS IT SERIOUS, MY NIECE?

NO, UNCLE! BUT I DO LIKE HIM VERY MUCH... AND AMERICANS ARE INTERESTING!

HERE WE ARE, PENNY! YOU'LL BE SEEING CAPTAIN EASY SOON NOW! AGEN'T YOU THRILLED?

OF COURSE I AM! I HAVEN'T THOUGHT ABOUT ANYTHING ELSE FOR DAYS!

RED RYDER

—By FRED HARMAN

BUT RED RYDER, IT ONLY TAKE MINUTE TO GET TOOTH FROM WOLF YOU SHOT!

OH, LET HIM GO, RYDER?

BUT HURRY! WE'VE GOT TO FIND MISS ALICE!

YOU BEICHUM!

EYOW-OO! HELP-UM!

GO AHEAD, WE'LL WAIT, LITTLE BEAVER!

ALLEY OOP

—By V. T. HAMLIN

AWRIGHT MY INTREPID WARRIORS, THERE'S TH' GORILLAS' HIDE-OUT! NOW TO LIBERATE OUR BROTHERS!

WE MAY BE OUTNUMBERED, BUT WE GOT THE STRATEGIC FACTOR OF SURPRISE ON OUR SIDE...CHARGE!

HOLY SMOKE! THERE'S NOBODY HERE! HOW DO YOU SUPPOSE?

GEE! WHAT'LL WE DO NOW?

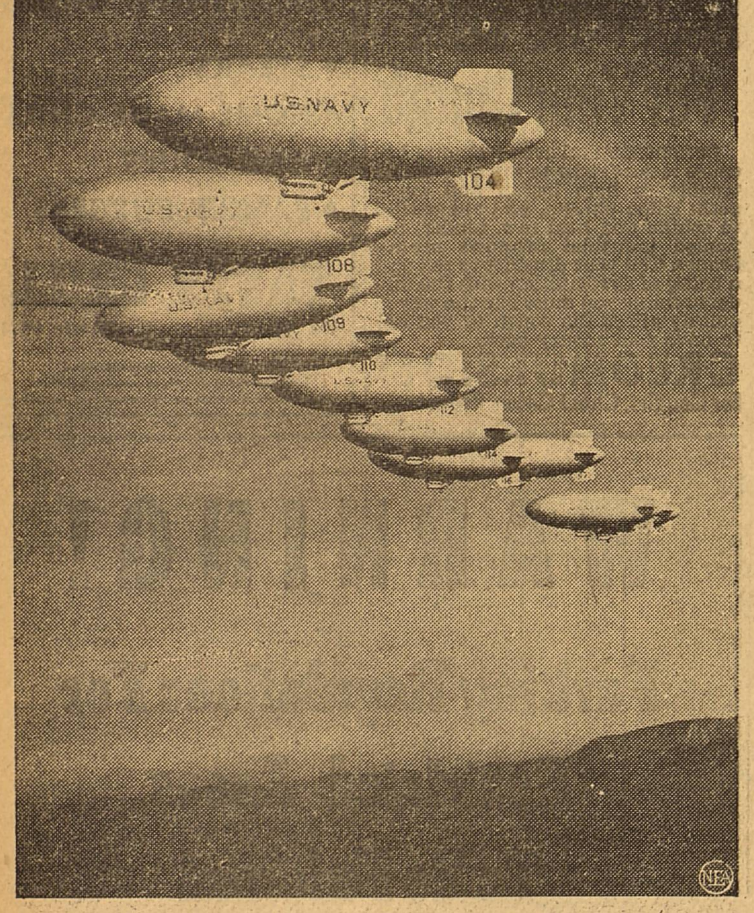
EH? YOU'VE FOUND 'EM? THEY'RE ALL HERE TO FREE YOU FROM THE TYRANT'S BONDAGE!

SALUTATIONS MOOVING! YOUR MONARCH IS PENNED UP IN A CAVE!

WHERE YOU BEEN? HOW ABOUT STABBE FOR DAYS IN A STINKIN' OL CAVE? BRING ME A KING! PFFFF!

A FINE GOVERNMENT WE GOT—LETTIN US STARVE FOR MOORAY DAYS IN A STINKIN' OL CAVE! BRING ME A KING! PFFFF!

Flying Sausages on Parade



(U. S. Navy Photo From NEA.) An echelon of Navy blimps makes this attractive picture as, practicing for combat missions, they glide through maneuvers at Moffett Field, Calif.

American Way



Slightly different from the way Japs treat prisoners of war is the tender care being given to this wounded Nip, being transferred at sea from a U. S. destroyer to an aircraft carrier, where he can get complete medical service.

American Fighters Fly Within Sight Of Berlin

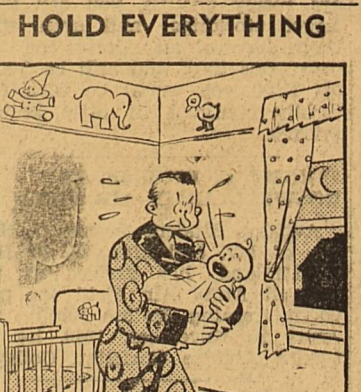
AT A U. S. FIGHTER STATION IN ENGLAND —(P)—The greatest number of American Air Force fighters ever dispatched to escort a heavy bombing mission destroyed a record number of 61 German fighters Sunday in the massive assault against German airplane factories in Central Germany.

The previous record was 55 shot down Feb. 10 over Brunswick. One American fighter was shot down and three are missing from the raid.

Some of the fighter pilots said they were within sight of Berlin during the massive daylight operations.

Capt. Jack Bradley of Brownwood, Texas, shot down a ME-109 for his sixth victory.

HOLD EVERYTHING



"Hup, two, three, four—Hup, two, three, four!"

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

—By William Ferguson

Thomas JEFFERSON ONCE OWNED THE FAMOUS NATURAL BRIDGE OF VIRGINIA. IT WAS GRANTED TO HIM BY THE CROWN OF ENGLAND IN 1774.

QUOTING ODDS

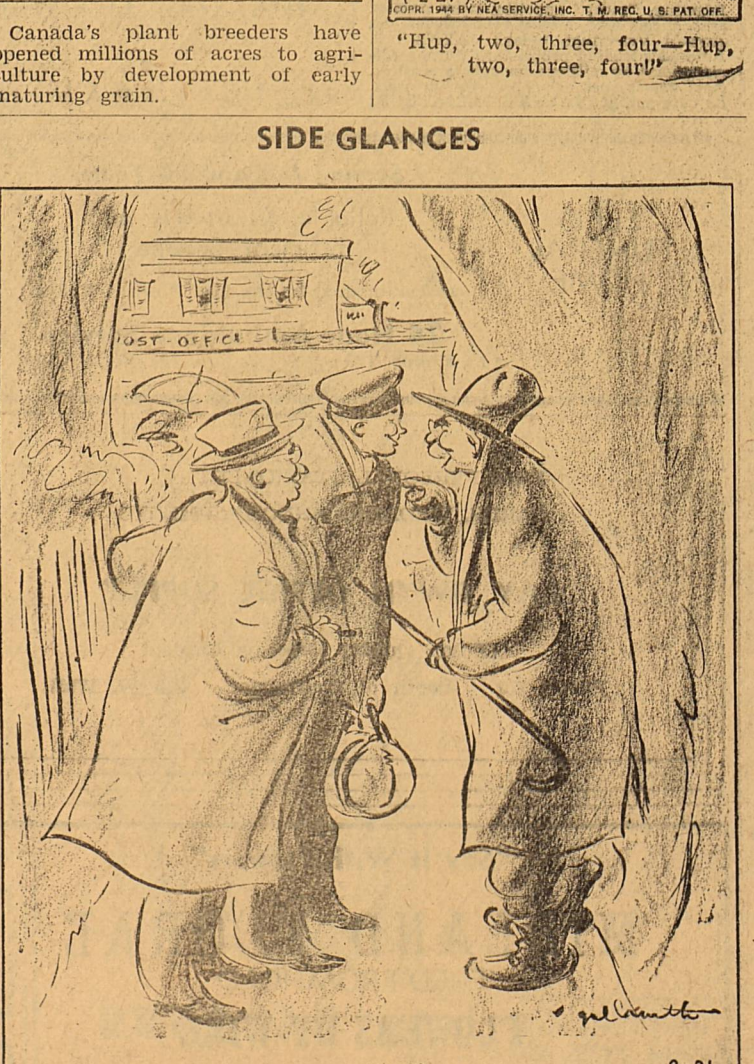
CHILLES CHICKEN

THE MOON HAS EXISTED FOR BILLIONS OF YEARS, YET YOUR CALENDAR OR ALMANAC WILL GIVE ITS AGE TODAY, FEBRUARY 21 ST, AS 27 DAYS.

"WHITE ROCKS ARE CHICKENS," SAID EVELYN KREMEL, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

NEXT: Highs and lows in voices.

SIDE GLANCES



"If you're the Willie Jones who used to steal my cherries, I'm glad you're in the Navy—now I know the Japs haven't got a chance!"

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Eight State Golden Gloves Champs To Get Crowns Monday

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF

FORT WORTH—(P)—After 24 bouts and thousands of punches eight weary champions of the Texas Golden Gloves will be crowned Monday night out at Will Rogers Coliseum.

These fellows will entrain next Saturday for Chicago where they will participate in the Tournament of Champions Feb. 28, 29 and March 1.

Both semi-finals and finals are scheduled Monday night with a crowd of 7,000 expected to bring attendance for the five-day state meet above the 20,000 mark.

Only one defending champion goes into the ultimate round. He is Manny Ortega of Biggs Field, El Paso, who again is a leading contender for the featherweight crown. However, he may run against a three-times national champion if he gets to the finals. Don Aiker of Utica, N. Y., fighting under the banner of the Fifth Ferrying Group

Sports Roundup

By Hugh S. Fullerton Jr.

NEW YORK—(P)—If there's any loose change left around the boxing world after Beau Jack goes into the Army, "Boomy" Davis and Willie Pop likely will split it up.

The Beau likely will pile up a big income tax bill fighting Bob Montgomery, Davis and Sammy Angott in a three-weeks stretch from March 3 to March 24—and after that he shouldn't have to worry about the rigors of basic training.

After that quick kayo over Montgomery, Davis is the big attraction now but Pop, just discharged from the Navy, likely will find more good opposition.

Oklahoma U., which lost \$9,000 on athletics last year, will show a profit of about that amount for 1943-44 despite the loss of sugar from the big grid games at Missouri and Nebraska.

What's The Matter?

When George (Wetwash) Marshall stirred up all that fuss by suddenly appearing on the Bears' bench during the pro football play-off last fall, it wasn't the first time he had paid an unannounced visit to the opposing team.

He turned up on the Green Bay Packers' bench once and when somebody recognized him, all George had to say was: "What's the matter with that team of mine?"

Service Dept.

Marcel Cerdan of France, who cleaned up in the Army boxing championships at Algiers, is tabbed as middleweight champion of Europe by the International Boxing Union although the British board recognizes him only as French champ. American mitt experts who have seen Marcel perform say he's as good a 160-pounder as there is in the world today.

of Dallas, was featherweight king at New York in 1936, 1937 and 1939, and he meets Joe Mize of Beaumont in Monday night's semi-finals while Ortega is tackling Aubrey Young of Camp Fannin.

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OREGON BEAT WASHINGTON STATE THE OTHER NIGHT, 87-86.

MARK CHRISTMAN PLAYED EVERY INFIELD POSITION FOR ST. LOUIS BROWNS LAST SEASON.

TIME ON MY HANDS

THAT'S A GOOD MARK

THE FOOTBALL IS IN ACTION FOR ONLY 12 MINUTES IN THE AVERAGE GAME.

—MADE ONLY THREE ERRORS IN 95 GAMES—

Ysleta Cagers To Come To Midland For Bi-District Championship Games

Coach Gene McCollum was lucky in the toss of a coin in Van Horn Sunday afternoon and Midland fans will enjoy the bi-district championship Class AA basketball games.

With School Supt. Frank Monroe and Principal G. B. Rush, Coach McCollum journeyed to Van Horn to make arrangements for the bi-district title contests after Midland's Bulldogs won the District

Long Cage Winning Streaks Shattered In Major Upsets

NEW YORK—(P)—Notre Dame has gained partial revenge for its stunning 19-14 football setback by Great Lakes last fall by shattering the Sailors' 21-game basketball winning streak.

The Irish cagers, with a so-so record, turned the trick Saturday night. Their 54-51 triumph was as much a surprise to court dopsters as Great Lakes' grid triumph was to football forecasters, especially since the Sailors had walloped N. D. 84-48 only a couple of weeks ago.

Sharing interest with the Irish triumph were Missouri's 47-41 victory over Olathe Naval, ending Clathe's 20-game streak; Washington's 53-49 upset of Gonzaga; Bucknell's 39-37 surprise victory over Muhlenberg; and the selection of Dartmouth, Kentucky, Oklahoma Aggies and Utah to participate in post-season tournaments.

Dartmouth, eastern intercollegiate league champs, will compete in the NCAA tourney while Kentucky, the Aggies and Utah accepted bids to the Madison Square Garden invitational affair. Still undergoing scrutiny for bids are such teams as Depaul, Western Michigan, Denison, Bowling Green, Canisius, Muhlenberg, Iowa State, Oklahoma, Army, Rice, Arkansas, Navy, Ohio State, Temple, Valparaiso, Colgate and Rochester.

Hornsby Arrives In Mexico To Begin Baseball Training

MEXICO CITY—(P)—Rogers Hornsby, who arrived here Sunday to assume management of the Vera Cruz Blues of the Mexican baseball league, said he planned to meet Monday with Jorge Pasquel, Vera Cruz president, and members of the team.

The Vera Cruz club will start immediately, said Hornsby, who gave up his post as general manager of the Fort Worth club of the inactive Texas League.

"We plan to work hard and be ready when the season opens," said the Rajah. "Later I'll start a baseball school, which should help the game in Mexico."

The season starts March 2, but no team has begun training yet. The managers of only three clubs have been selected.

Chile Gomez, former Washington Senators infielder who piloted the last-place Mexico City Reds last season, has been replaced by Ernesto Carmona, but Gomez said he will play second base for the Reds.

"I'd rather be player than manager," he commented.

Manager of Monterrey, last year's pennant winner, remains Lazaro Salazar, Cuban.

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Great SWC Offensive Show To Come To End This Week End

By The Associated Press

The greatest offensive show in Southwest Conference basketball history comes to an end this week leaving four broken records in its wake.

Rice has finished the schedule by clinching at least a tie for the championship. Southern Methodist also has played out its string and can wind up no lower than a tie for third.

Arkansas meets impotent Texas A&M Friday and Saturday at College Station in games that could produce the year's mightiest upset, because if the winless Aggies were to beat the Razorbacks in one of the two games, Rice would take the title. Arkansas can share the championship by winning the two tilts.

Records already hung up this season:

1. Total points for an individual in one season: 246 by Bill Henry of Rice, breaking mark of 214 set in 1942 by Dwight Parks of Baylor.
2. Total points by one team in a season: 669 by Rice, smashing record of 651 made by Rice in 1942.
3. Total points by player in one game: 41 by Henry, breaking record of 36 set by Johnny Adams of Arkansas in 1941.
4. Total points by one team in a game: 81 by Southern Methodist, breaking record of 75 by Arkansas in 1940 and bettered by Texas this season with 77.

Records May Fall

There is a chance that one of the records already made this season will not stand since Arkansas with 550 points, might score 120 points in its two games with A&M.

It isn't likely Henry's individual mark will be bettered but against the weak Aggies, Arkansas might smash the team scoring mark.

Dennis Haden of Southern Methodist finished with 203 points to virtually clinch runner-up honors but Don Nichols, Bill Flynt and Ben Jones of Arkansas all are likely to pass Acie Cannaday of Southern Methodist for third place. Cannaday has 144 points, Nichols 139, Flynt 134 and Jones 131. Jeff Kemp and Roy Cox of Texas also may move past Cannaday since they boast 130 and 129 points respectively.

The week's play opens Monday night with Texas clashing with A&M at College Station. Tuesday night Baylor and Texas Christian meet at Waco.

Eye-Poppers

By JAMES A. FARLEY

Former Postmaster General Jack Dempsey and Luis Firpo in their timest in a ring at the Polo Grounds—that gave me my biggest thrill in sports. I've seen many thrilling events in baseball and boxing, but for sheer explosive excitement that fight in the Polo Grounds, Sept. 14, 1922, takes the cake.

From the instant the fight started there were fireworks. The great crowd was brought to its feet in a bound as Dempsey charged out of his corner right into one of Firpo's short rights that sagged Jack to his knee. But he was up in a flash and began bouncing the giant Firpo off the canvas—seven times, then Boom! Firpo connects and a second or two later Dempsey is battered out of the ring. Then suddenly Dempsey is back and they're flying away again.

The excitement was so intense people were standing on the backs of their chairs, jumping up and down, falling, screaming, laughing, shouting—the place looked like a big boiling cauldron. Even throughout the minute rest.

Climax kept piling on climax in the second round until Dempsey finished Firpo with one of his terrible blows. It was several minutes after the thing was over before I got back to feeling anywhere near normal, and it was the same with everybody else in the park. Then I felt a darned sight more exhausted than either of the fighters.

But it was the thriller of all thrillers.

Grande from Texas, has several manager prospects, one of whom, Marty McManus, former Boston Red Sox infielder, due there for a conference Monday.

The other clubs in the league are Puebla and Tampico.

The barn owl nests both in prairie-dog burrows and in high steeples.

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Germans Hate Tiny 'Grasshopper' Planes As Bad As Flying Forts

By HAL BOYLE

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY AT CASSINO—(P)—If Capt. Jack L. Marinelli had weighed one more pound he wouldn't be commanding an air force which has never shot down an enemy fighter or bombed Berlin, but which is more detested by German ground gunners than are the Flying Fortresses.

They detest it more because Captain Marinelli's men spot Nazi artillery positions and relay their locations to American batteries, which promptly bring them under fire.

His air force consists of a cow pasture, 18 unarmed "grasshopper" planes, 18 pilots, about the same number of mechanics, a few tents and innumerable boxes of canned "C" rations.

Captain Marinelli took up hobby flying during civilian days in a farm implement plant at Ottumwa, Iowa.

"We have a weight limit of 170 pounds for pilots," he said. "When I weighed in for my exam I scaled 169½. When we first went into action in Italy I dropped down to 155. A steady diet of "C" rations did that to me. But now I'm back on the edge again and have to watch my weight."

"If I ever hit 170 pounds I'll be grounded."

Among his personnel are six sergeants and a dozen lieutenants.

The fliers have to improvise much of their equipment. The unit is so small that it does not have a regular mess and the men for weeks at a time never get around to eating a hot meal.

"We fly in crates and live out of cans," laughs Marinelli, "but all the boys think they have the best job in the Army."

The men are taught never to fly above 500 feet and to keep behind their own lines, but these safety rules are disregarded at times by every pilot worth his pay. They have a rule of their own to fly as far and as high as necessary to get the information they want, and that means they often go well over the enemy lines to ferret out the enemy artillery.

The planes make tantalizing targets for German gunners as they circle like slow-wheeling gulls, but it is fighters and small-arms fire from ground troops that the Cub pilots fear most.

"We haven't lost a plane from our group due to flak," said Marinelli, "although we have had a number of ships hit. The thing we keep our eyes peeled for most is a German fighter."

It is not so easy any more for the German planes to waylay the Cub's, however, as a top cover of Allied fighters circles constantly over the battle area and protects the grasshoppers.

Second Victim Of Poison Supper Dies

BROWNFIELD—(P)—Alice McCracken, 11, died Monday in a Brownfield hospital of a poison which also was fatal to her mother.

The mother, Mrs. Anna Belle McCracken, 38, was found dead Saturday. Alice, her father, Forrest McCracken, 42, and grandmother, Mrs. Ellen McCracken, 60, were found ill and taken to a hospital.

The Forrest McCrackens had dined at the grandmother's home Friday night. An analysis from the State Department of Public Safety laboratory at Austin revealed the presence of a powerful poison which officers here said was in the food the four ate.

Texas PGA Tourney To Be Held At Odessa

AMARILLO—(P)—The Texas PGA championship tournament and Texas Cup matches will be held at the Odessa Country Club May 11, 12, 13 and 14. George Aulbach, president, announced Monday.

Qualifying for the national PGA championships will be held at the same time.

Odessa has guaranteed a purse of more than \$1,000 in War Bonds as prizes.

In the battle of Jutland in 1916 there were only 232 warships on both sides.

"They're really swell folks...those other people on our party line"

"We used to think they were just plain inconsiderate. Forever talking when we wanted to use our party line.

"Then Mary said, 'Let's take inventory. Maybe we're just as bad.'

"Well, we had to admit that we, too, frequently monopolized that party line. Sometimes we didn't wait even a minute between calls.

"So we decided to put our own house in order. Now we limit conversations to five minutes. Give other folks time to finish their calls. Sometimes say, 'pardon us,' when we happen to break in on other people's calls.

"Funny how courtesy breeds courtesy. Those other people are just as considerate of us, too.

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