

STLIEST AIR BATTLE RAGES OVER BRITAIN

Most and costliest air battle yet was waged over Great Britain with Germans claiming destruction of 71 British war planes and the British reporting 30 or more Nazi craft were down.

Garrett Begins Second Week of His Campaign

Beginning his second week of campaign, Congressman Clyde Garrett swings into the western part of his District Monday in his bid for re-election.

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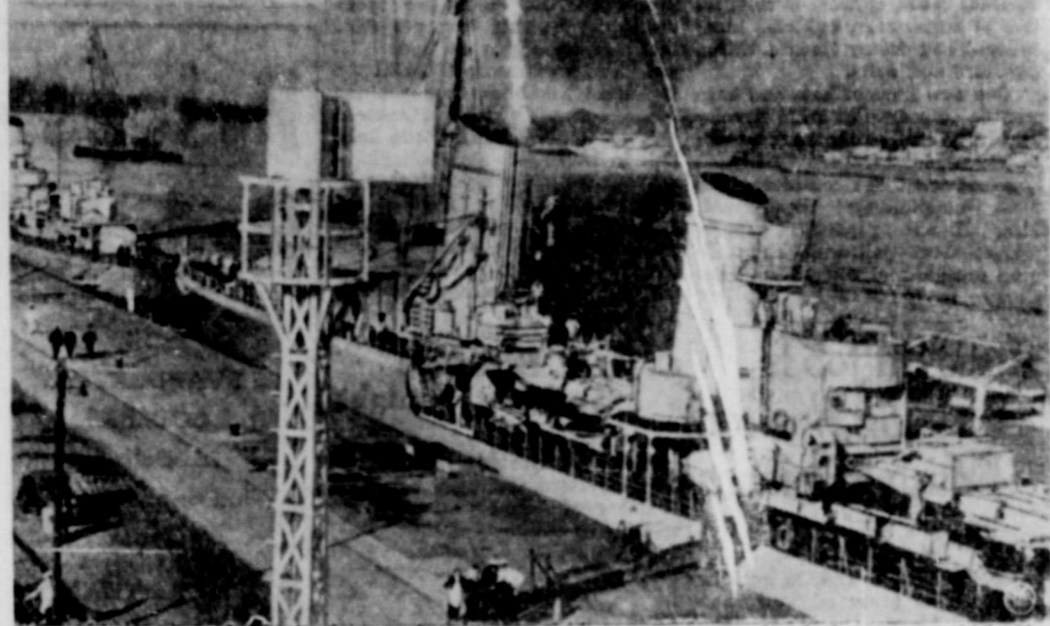
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Germans Call These 'Poison Teeth'



Lacking heavy battleships, the German navy relies largely on swift, streamlined destroyers which Nazi censors terms "poison teeth of German navy." This exclusive photo shows part of fleet at Wilhelmshaven, great German base, seldom photographed in wartime.

Ruling On Hatch Act Is Announced

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—The Civil Service Commission ruled Sunday that the Hatch Act did not prevent employers of state and local governments from discussing "issues of broad social economic or general public character."

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Two Shrines For Quincy

QUINCY, Mass.—The birth-places of two United States presidents are now city property and will be maintained as historical shrines.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Edwin Reynolds and Martha Miers, Gorman Rt. 3. L. Agnew and Evelyn White, Ranger.

SPORTS ME MORE THAN YOU'

PERKINS, Cal.—Obligated to get his pet but ailing cat, Harry Hanson affectionately said: "It will hurt me more than it will hurt you."

EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

O. E. (Oscar) Lyria, chairman of the Eastland county Democratic executive committee, advises that trust 12 to 16 inclusive are the ones for filing expense accounts the second or run-off primary.

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NORRIS SAYS CONSCRIPTION UNDEMOCRATIC

WASHINGTON, Aug. 12.—Sen. George Norris, Nebraska Independent, charged today that enactment of the Burke-Wadsworth military conscription bill will "lead us into dictatorship."

Negro Woman Is Shot and Killed In Cisco Saturday

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Ready at Second's Notice



Alert for an Italian attack, this unit of a Scottish regiment in Egypt leaps to its armored Iron machine gun carriers. They're among British troops resisting Mussolini's African advance.

High School Youths Will Receive Driver Training Next Year

AUSTIN, Texas.—Driver training courses for instruction of Texas high school students in traffic safety will be offered next September with one-half credit allowed toward graduation, it has been announced by the Texas Safety Association.

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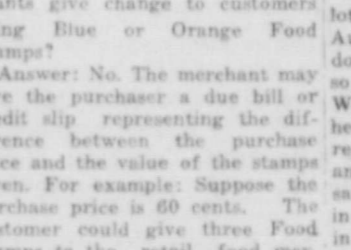
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SHORT BALLOT TO BE VOTED ON IN AUGUST

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### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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## Fifth Column on the Ledger?

We generally like to think that the United States bought itself out of foreign ownership of its industries during the World War.

By and large, that is true. Much of the railroad plant of this country and many other industrial ventures were made possible by foreign capital. When the World War broke, there was heavy ownership in Europe of all sections of American industry. European countries generally sold those interests to buy war supplies with the proceeds. The United States "bought itself back."

But not entirely. And during the unsettled conditions of Europe during the past 10 years, much European capital came back to the United States for safety's sake.

This is nothing to get excited about, and we know of no major and vital industry that is today foreign-controlled. There is no reason to suspect undue foreign influences within the boards of directors of any important corporation.

But the foreign stake in many great American corporations is interesting, and in some cases may cause real complications. John Lloyd, writing in the Magazine of Wall Street, has listed some of them. According to Lloyd, American Telephone reports 462,000 shares of Steel, Lloyd reports, are held in Holland, and the largest single stockholder of Southern Pacific is an Amsterdam firm. A Swiss corporation is first on the list of B. & O. stockholders, third on Pennsylvania.

None of these holdings, Lloyd estimates, approaches control, nor even any certainty of the right to elect a director. But he foresees possible complications if, in the "re-organization" of Europe now being brought about by the Nazis, holdings of Dutch, Swiss, French and Belgian holders might be brought together.

In the present European confusion, no one knows precisely what is the status of such holdings. Many foreign credits have been frozen because there is no guarantee that, if paid, they would be sure to reach their rightful owners.

These foreign interests are nothing to be concerned about, and there is not the slightest reason to believe that they have had any influence on the policies of any American firms.

But it is good to know that the situation is being watched, and that American directors are conscious of a situation that might at some future time breed complications.

In Los Angeles, two process servers are reported running around with a subpoena for a ghost. And we thought the heat was bad up north.

Germany is now training parachute troops to land on rooftops. No, Junior, that isn't Santa Claus, even if he has got a gun and a bicycle.

# Society Notes

## Miss White and Mr. Agnew Married Sunday

Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Miss Evelyn White, daughter of Mrs. Kate White, became the bride of Mr. Maurice L. Agnew, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Agnew. The single ring ceremony was performed in the home of Dr. and Mrs. G. Alfred Brown with Dr. Brown reading the marriage vows before members of the immediate families.

The bride, who was unattended, wore a dusty rose costume with white accessories and her corsage was of tube roses and white dahlias.

Immediately after the ceremony the young couple left for a trip to West Texas and New Mexico after which they will return to Ranger to make their home.

Both the bride and groom have made their home in Ranger for a number of years and were graduated from Ranger High School. Mr. Agnew was a member of the football team of Ranger High School in '33 and '34.

## Important Meeting of Ladies Golf Club, Tuesday

Mrs. Glenn West, president of the Ladies Golf Club of the Ranger Country Club, has called a meeting of that organization for Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the clubhouse.

Mrs. West urges all members to be present as important matters will be discussed in meeting before play begins. All women whose husbands are members of the club are invited and urged to attend this meeting.

## Miss Neal Becomes Bride of Mr. Stroud

Miss Elizabeth Neal became the bride of Mr. Herman Stroud Saturday evening at 8:00 o'clock at the home of the Rev. David Phillips, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Ranger. The only attendants at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Leon Stroud.

The bride was dressed in white sharkskin with accessories of black.

The couple left immediately after the ceremony for a short stay in Fort Worth. They will make their home in Ranger at the Joseph Apartments.

## Royal Neighbors to Meet This Evening

The Royal Neighbors will meet at the I. O. O. F. hall this evening at 8 o'clock for a regular meeting.

All members are urged to attend, as plans will be made for the district convention to be held here.

# Society Personals

Mrs. Elmer Rogers and daughters, Mary Anna and Evelyn, have returned to their home in Alice after spending the summer with Mrs. Lillian Wolfe.

Buster Higdon has returned from a trip to West Texas and New Mexico.

Miss Meta Ann Scott has returned from a visit in Monahans.

Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Harrell of Naacpoches are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dennis visited in Goldthwaite, Sunday.

## Says Teachers Program Helpful

Chas. H. Bell, wife and baby, returned at noon today from College Station, where Mr. Bell attended a statewide conference of vocational agriculture teachers. Mr. Bell is a teacher in the Ranger schools.

Mr. Bell states that there were 670 teachers present at the College Station conference and the program was a very interesting and helpful one. Most of the speakers were farmers, Mr. Bell stated.

## Facts Are Given About Oil Business

The Texas Mid-Continent Oil and Gas Association in this issue of the Times is running a full page advertisement setting forth the astounding facts about the value of the oil industry to the State of Texas. Petroleum gave to Texas last year a direct buying power of \$300 million dollars, and the payrolls of the oil industry constituted 70 per cent of all the wages paid to all Texas workers. Every Texas directly or indirectly is benefited by this great industry. Ads such as the one being sponsored by this association are a source of valuable information and should be studied very carefully by every citizen of Texas.

## Dairy Maids Win Over Fort Worth

Before the largest crowd to see a ball game in Ranger this year, the Dairy Maids won out over the Trouble Dairy team from Fort Worth Saturday night by a score of 10 to 7. Though at times loosely played, the game was filled with tense situations that finally sent the large crowd home hoarse but happy.

The Fort Worth girls came out looking for a pushover and started their second string pitcher, Cortez, and an error on the first batter for the Maids followed by four hits, the last a double by Wanda Carr, put across four runs with none out, and Joe Kennedy was rushed in from left field to score the tie.

Lease playing allowed the Trimble girls to score three runs in both the 4th and 5th. The Dairy Maids added one in the 6th on two singles and a wild pitch by Kennedy. Each team got one run in the 7th to make the score Trimble 7, Dairy Maids 6. The Dairy Maids really broke loose in the 8th and shoved across four runs to make the final count 10-7.

Fort Worth loaded the bases in the 6th on an error and two singles, with none away, but Helen Rosequest, the Maids' second baseman, took Billie Pulliam's hot grounder and forced the runner at the plate; Shorty Stuard repeated the play with Jonnie Hall's skipper and Joe Kennedy went out short to first and the fans went wild.

The Maids' regular Tuesday night game in Ranger, has been transferred to allow the Oklahoma Cowboys to play an all-star Ranger team on that night.

## Picture Dinosaur Tracks Is Taken By Ranger Man

J. A. Robinsons, has presented the Times with a snapshot of some dinosaur tracks which recently have been uncovered in Somerville county in the bed of the Paluxy River. The tracks indicate that the animal had a stride of 20 feet and the foot was 20 inches in diameter, with one large toe and three small ones.

Robinson stated that the blocks of limestone bearing the tracks are being cut out of the bed of the river by workers from a New York museum.

## Milk Consumption Shows Slight Drop

NEW YORK.—Daily average sales of fluid milk during June decreased 1.41 per cent from the same period a year ago, according to reports from leading distributors in 136 U. S. markets to the Milk Industry Foundation. In June daily average sales totaled 6,690,307 quarts compared with 6,785,665 quarts in June 1934.

Milk company payrolls in June showed a decrease of 1.12 per cent and employment a decrease of 2.33 per cent compared with June 1934.

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## Ranger Store Is Adding New Lines

Mrs. Eva Hamill of Hamill's, Inc., stated this morning that she is receiving fall merchandise daily and the minute their building at 217 Main Street is completed this collection will be shown.

Several lines will be added this fall, including gloves, coats, suits, dresses, robes, gowns, a complete line of underwear, anklets, mantled and dressy blouses, skirts, sweaters and belts.

Two new lines of hats and bags will be introduced and novelty jewelry from eastern markets will be featured.

Asked what she considered her most outstanding department, Mrs. Hamill replied, "sports clothes from California and tailored dresses and coats from New York."

## Music On Job Is Speeding Work on British Munitions

LONDON.—They're making shells to the tunes of Rachmaninoff and Chopin these days, and it's a great hit with the workers. With reports indicating that where music is played as an accompaniment to work, output has increased by an amount ranging between 6 and 12 per cent, many factories throughout the country have introduced "factory concerts" for their employes.

In addition to loudspeakers and gramophone music, well-known artists are giving recitals in factory canteens at lunch intervals and sometimes even at midnight. In the programs of the performers usually a singer and a pianist—it has been noted that Chopin and Rachmaninoff are particularly appreciated.

Employers have found that in repetitive work where concentration is not essential music reduces the workers' fatigue.

Says a research officer of the British National Institute of Industrial Psychology, who has been studying the effect of "factory concerts":

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## Fish-Parasite Is Invading Lakes

LANSING, Mich. — Evidence that the sea lamprey is moving farther northward in the Great Lakes is reported by the Michigan department of conservation.

George Frisbie, of the U. S. Forest Service, took two specimens of the fish parasite from the Pine river near St. Ignace. It was the northernmost point the fish ever has been found in the Great Lakes, which it entered through the Welland canal to Lake Erie in 1921.

The sea lamprey attaches itself to larger fish and feeds on the blood of its victims. Lampreys sear decrease the value of commercial fish and when abundant do extensive damage to fish populations.

## C. Of C. Directors To Meet Tonight

A very important meeting of the directors of the Ranger Chamber of Commerce will be held in the office of the secretary this evening at 8 o'clock.

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Walter Coffman

## Garrett Friends Meeting This PM.

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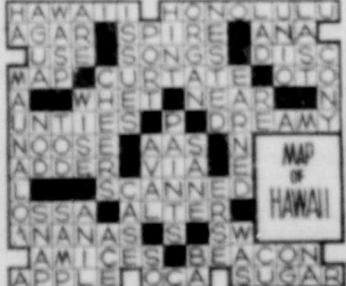
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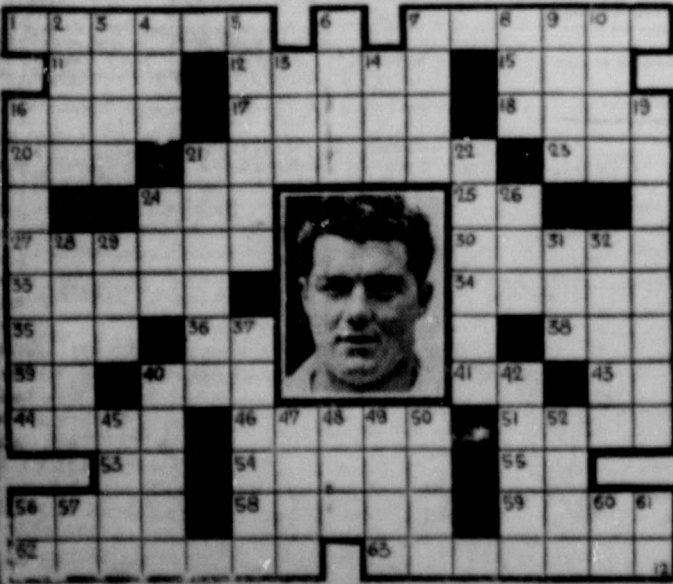
### HORIZONTAL Answer to Previous Puzzle

1. 7 Pictured champion golfer.  
11 Grief.  
12 Musical tragedy.  
15 Silkworm.  
16 Wheel center.  
17 Made in silence.  
18 To eat sparingly.  
20 Affirmative.  
21 Dreamer.  
23 Unit (abbr.).  
24 To devour.  
25 Neuter pronoun.  
27 Pendent mass of ice.  
30 Purple flower.  
33 Hades.  
34 Dog's chain.  
35 No.  
38 And.  
38 Pastry.  
39 Preposition of place.  
40 100 square meters.



### VERTICAL

2 Hence.  
3 Fabricated.  
4 To look.  
5 Marked with spots.  
6 Believers in a creed.  
7 Upright shafts.  
8 To spread.  
9 Three united.  
10 Charge upon standing — champion.  
13 To result.  
14 Long inlet.  
18 He is the 1940 open golf champion.  
19 He now is a of golf (pl.).  
21 More deceitful.  
22 Boat lever.  
24 Small shield.  
26 Rail track support.  
28 Packing box.  
29 Frosty.  
31 To lick up.  
32 Apart.  
37 Badger.  
40 Valuable property.  
42 Local composition.  
45 New star.  
47 Unique person.  
48 Social insect.  
49 One who sues.  
50 Irish tribal title.  
52 Postal.  
56 South Africa (abbr.).  
57 Form of "be."  
58 Road (abbr.).  
61 Postscript (abbr.).





SERIAL STORY

MURDER INCOGNITO

BY NORMAN KAHN

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CHAPTER I

There was nothing you could put your hands on. The soft, pliant back of the summer night that had slipped through Martin Saylor's window drawing room had nothing to do with it. It was the way he felt when you're alone on a night and you know that someone is reaching out to strangle you. Only when you turn around, there's nobody there.

Appley felt it, too. He felt it that night when he was in the overstuffed chairs near the fireplace. Even with his chest and note tucked forward, he felt the sturdy, virile contour of an athlete. His blond hair was high at the temples, and the tightly drawn skin of his cheeks, the gently twitching muscles in his face, gave him a patrician air.

"It's no use, Rhoda," Dale said. "I just went over the matter again with Saylor in the study. I stay broke until he feels like turning over the money. And my mother's will is air-light."

"It ought to be a good will," Rhoda Waters said. He wrote it, four steps away may be rotten—just his good lawyer."

"Good enough to keep me a miser—and there's not one blessed thing I can do about it."

Rhoda's eyes brightened and her lips curved into a tiny smile. "What is there. There's one way."

"Murder him."

DALE'S head snapped up and his eyes fastened on Rhoda, but he didn't seem to hear her. There a clause in your mother's will that gives you the money automatically if your father dies?"

Rhoda laughed uneasily. "There's no love. But the suggestion coming from you startled me a little."

Rhoda rested her elbows on her hands and propped her chin with her hands. "Oh, yes, but he won't let you have the money. He hates me . . . he won't want you to marry me."

Dale lit a cigarette and blew the smoke particles from his nose. "You know what I mean. You know the real reason, darling. It's an excuse. He's greedy and selfish."

Rhoda nodded toward the door. "I'm sitting next to the road front windows across the street. They're his victims, too. George Barbour, who's in Saylor's den right now. This is the affair tonight—asking all the money to dinner and torturing us with his hostile courtesy—it's all part of the whole ugly scheme. Saylor can't just exact his pound of flesh. He's got to watch his victims writhe in agony."

Dale was thinking of his mother-in-law of the way she, too, had fallen into the clutches of the man who now sat in her house meeting with his punishment. Dale's mother married Martin Saylor three years after her first husband died. She was 20. Saylor had drawn up his last testament and, under his signature, she had specified that her son was to hold Dale's legacy until her son became 21—or until, in Saylor's opinion, Dale was responsible enough to handle his own fortune.

Rhoda reached over and took a packet from the coffee table beneath her. "I suppose I ought to tell you, Dale—I saw Saylor the other day. He asked me to come over. He told me you would never get any of the money as long as you went around with me. He said I was a gold-digger."

Dale's color rushed into his cheeks. Why, the contemptible—

He stopped abruptly. The other



These were Saylor's victims and his guests. Each had adequate cause to plot and commit his murder.

couple was standing over them. Dale sprang to his feet until the blond woman seated herself on the far end of the divan.

"I wish he'd get it over with whatever he wants," Hazel Leighton said. "I'm getting jittery. She couldn't have been much older than 30. She was still pretty, but her excessive make-up and the dull platinum of her hair made her seem somewhat older."

Winslow Merdell remained standing. The corner of his mouth curled up to meet one end of his thin mustache. He placed one hand on Hazel's shoulder. "You know what he wants. It's the payoff, isn't it? Dear old Uncle Martin wants to well—and I'm betting he gets away with it."

Hazel flared. "I wouldn't talk about wedding, if I were you. You're not here to play chess with the Old Master. If the grapevine has it straight, there's a little matter of some gambling."

"That's my business," said Merdell coldly. "Mine and Saylor's. We'll manage to settle—"

MARDPELL stopped short. In the south side of the room stood two men, almost exactly the same height. George Barbour smiled.

But no one was interested in Barbour. The others were watching the man who stood beside him. His body was more solid than Barbour's and suggested strength and utter determination. Shaggy eyebrows half concealed the steely glint in his eyes.

"How cozy everyone looks," Martin Saylor said.

Mardell stepped forward. "Are you ready to see me now?" he demanded.

Saylor grabbed Barbour's arm and led him into the room. "I'll see you at the proper time. There's no need to hurry. I want all of you to enjoy yourselves." His smile was almost savage.

"George and I have just had a little chat . . . very pleasant," Saylor said. "We've settled lots of things."

Rhoda sprang to her feet. "Why do you have to do this to us? Why do you have to torture us? Can't you just get it over with?"

"There's no need to get hysterical," Saylor said coldly. "Dale had risen with Rhoda and had thrown a protective arm

Illustration by Ed Cunder.

around her quivering shoulders. "She's not hysterical. She's just telling you what all of us are thinking. Why don't you get on with your bloody business?"

Saylor's piercing eyes were leveled on Dale for a moment. Suddenly his jaw clenched tightly.

"Very well—you asked for it." He turned to Hazel Leighton. "I've a long distance call to make. It should take about 10 minutes. I'll see you after that." He wheeled and walked briskly out of the room. From where Rhoda was still standing, she could see him walk across the reception hall and shut the wide oaken door of his study behind him.

GEORGE BARBOUR had slumped into his chair. His teeth clenched an unlit cigar. Hazel Leighton kept consulting her wrist watch. After a while she sprang to her feet. "I'm going in. He can't keep me waiting. Twenty minutes have passed—it's 9:30 now." She strode out of the room.

Mardell's eyes followed her. "And the condemned woman marched into the death chamber with a look of defiance on her face," he intoned.

Dale frowned. "I don't think you're very keen tonight, Mardell. Apparently you don't quite grasp—"

A scream cut him short. For a moment no one stirred. No one was quite sure what it was. Across the hallway, Rhoda could see Hazel clinging to the opened doorway of the study.

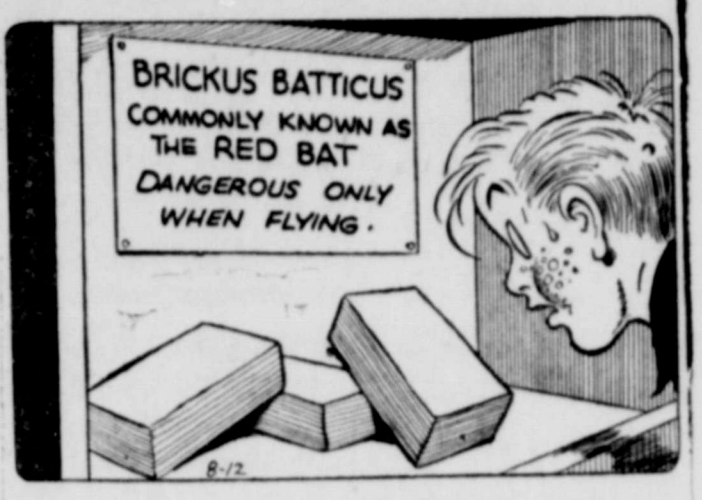
"It's Hazel," she gasped. Dale was on his feet. He dashed across the broad drawing room with the others on his heels. At the entrance to Saylor's den, Hazel stood unsupported now, her face looking grotesquely ashen.

"What's the matter?" Dale asked. "What happened?" And then he saw. They all saw. The man stood, rooted to the floor, and gaped. Rhoda sought Dale's hand and clung to it ferociously.

In the middle of the dimly lighted study lay Martin Saylor, his leg crumpled up beneath him, his face pressed flat against the sand-colored rug. Next to the inert body, a widening pool of blood caught the faint rays of the weak lamp in one corner and glistened gruesomely.

(To Be Continued)

Freckles and His Friends—By Blosser



MODERN MENUS

BY MRS. GAYNOR MADDOX  
NEA Service Staff Writer

IN troubled times, America takes comfort in the custom of its cuisines to can and preserve the season's fruits for other times in the year. This is the heart of the preserving season. Our domestic economy is outstandingly important this year, when the rest of the world is busy destroying itself and its food supplies.

Fruit for preserving should be in a firm-ripe rather than soft-ripe stage. It should be uniform in size or in uniform pieces so as to cook evenly. For good results, it is necessary to use weights rather than measurements. Weight of a quart of fruit varies considerably with the kind, the way it is packed, and also with shape and size of the pieces.

Preserves are cooked until the syrup is quite thick and the fruit fairly translucent. Glass jars are the most satisfactory containers. The jars should be filled three-fourths full with the preserved fruit, and then enough syrup added to completely fill the containers. Seal while hot.

The Food and Nutrition Division of the Bureau of Home Economics has prepared a valuable booklet called "Home-made Jellies, Jams and Preserves." It should be part of your pantry equipment. It costs 5 cents. Write to Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C., and ask for

**TOMORROW'S MENU**  
BREAKFAST: Cantaloupe, corn flakes, toast, jelly, coffee, milk.  
LUNCHEON: Tomato, bacon, lettuce toast sandwiches, gingerbread with whipped cream, iced tea, chocolate milk.  
DINNER: Pan-fried liver with onions, mashed potatoes, green peas, caramel pudding, coffee, milk.

Farmer's Bulletin No. 1800.  
Here's a recipe for tomato preserves which go well with meat and also make excellent sandwiches for the school lunch. Be sure you don't cut the lemon slices more than an eighth-inch thick.

**MRS. DILLINGHAM'S TOMATO PRESERVES**  
Three quarts (4½ pounds) ripe tomatoes, peeled and diced, 9 cups (4 pounds) sugar, 3 lemons.  
Combine tomatoes and sugar in preserving kettle. Cook slowly until mixture boils, stirring only until sugar is dissolved. Cook about 15 minutes, stirring occasionally. Scrub lemons, cut into quarters, remove seeds and all coarse membrane. Cut crosswise into very thin slices. Add to tomatoes and cook about 1½ to 2 hours, or until clear and desired consistency is reached, stirring frequently to prevent scorching.

OUT OUR WAY . . . . . By Williams



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James P. Alexander Speaks in County On His Candidacy

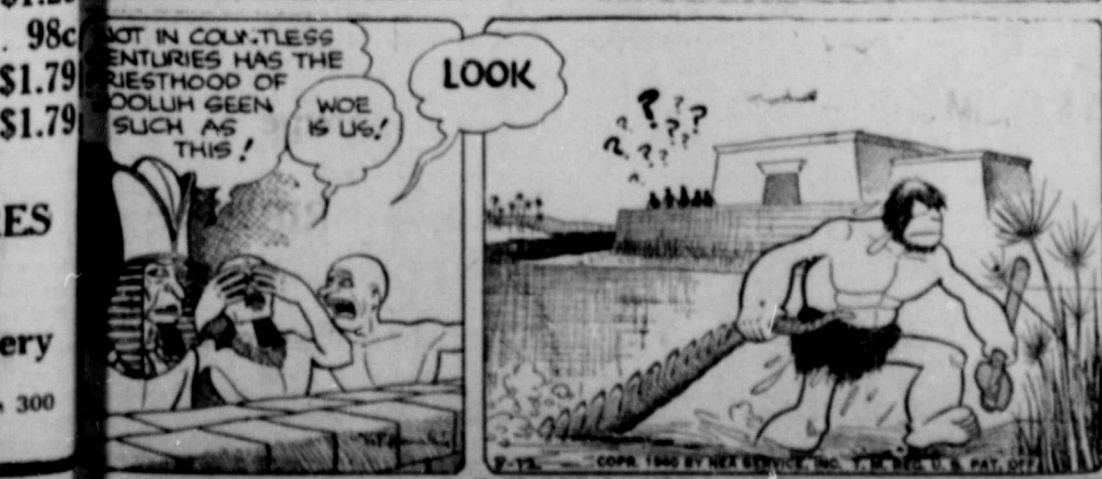
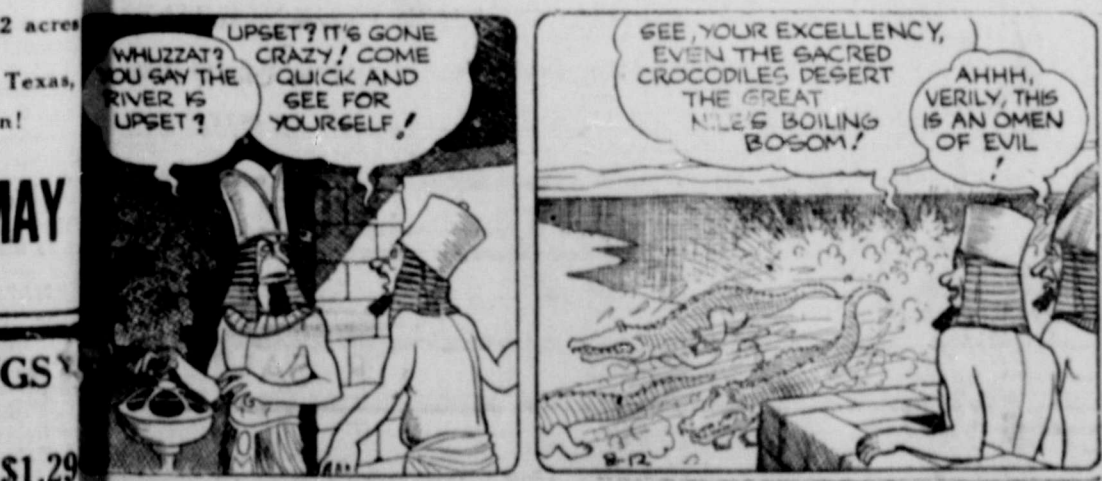
the outstanding jurists of Texas, was in Ranger, Eastland and Cisco Saturday afternoon in the interest of his candidacy.

He met with local attorneys and with Miss Mattie Montgomery, who went to school to Judge Alexander and who is one of his most active supporters in this region.

Judge Alexander, a native Texan, has had 32 years of continuous legal experience and is well qualified for the chief justiceship of the Supreme Court. He has been a judge for 16 years, almost 10 years of which time he has been a justice of the 10th Court of Civil Appeals at Waco. During that time he has written more than half of the 1,200 opinions issued by the three judges, and of the 617 opinions written by him, only 15 have been reversed by the Supreme Court, giving him the high average of being right in his rulings in cases 98 percent of the time.

Farley's job apparently is not one to be sneezed at. Senator Byrnes refused it account of his hay fever.

ALLEY OOP . . . . . By Hamlin



THE PAY OFF

BY HARRY GRAYSON  
NEA Service Sports Editor

IF Chalden didn't earn a place among great weight packers in lowering the track record for a mile and a quarter to 2:02 with 132 pounds on his back in the Hollywood Gold Cup, there is early evidence that the son of Challenger II will be given ample opportunity to do so.

Owner William L. Brann passed up the \$20,000 Sunset Handicap, closing day feature at the southern California oval, perhaps because Chalden was assigned 135 pounds.

Chalden now goes to Saratoga and though weight will stop a locomotive, the Maryland 4-year-old will lug a full share. He has an abnormal 22-foot stride.

A running horse is like an athlete. The athlete with perfect form doesn't tire as quickly as one lacking it, and isn't in as much distress when he does.

He wastes less effort.

THERE have been notable exceptions, of course, and Exterminator was the most striking in the equine field. Though Old Bones' action was coarse and rough, he was the super dreadnought of American thoroughbreds. He bagged a Kentucky feature with 138 pounds up, and scored repeatedly carrying from 131 to 137.

Man of War prevailed with 138, 135 and 131 as a 3-year-old, and came down in front five times as a juvenile with 150 pounds on his back.

Whiskbroom II bore 250 pounds when he set the questionable world record of 2:00 in the Suburban Handicap of 1913.

Discovery, an in-and-outer under heavy tonnage, got down, in the Brooklyn Handicap at 136 pounds.

Equipose topped the Arlington Handicap carrying 135 pounds. Earl Sande boosted Grey Lag home with the same figure up in the Suburban of 1923.

SEABISCUIT toted 133 pounds to victory in the Hollywood Gold Cup and a mile and a sixteenth Bay Meadows combat in 1938. The Biscuit took the Santa Anita Handicap with 150 pounds up, and Gallant Bir accounted for the Agus Caliente at 130 pounds. Be Frank strangled the field at a mile and a quarter in the old Cofroth Handicap with 131 pounds on his back in 1921.

Sun Beau stood up under 132 pounds in accounting for the Toronto Cup and took the Fashion Stakes at Agus Caliente with 130.

Those who mention Roseben and Iron Mask as weight packers must admit they were strictly sprinters.

The others were the sluggers of the American turf, and Chalden belongs smack dab among them.

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