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BEATING THE U-BOATS

It is not necessary to have access to any secret statistics to realize that as of today, and as of any tomorrow soon enough to be significant the United Nations are losing the battle of the Atlantic.

That fact is inescapable in the light of official statements that axis submarines, mostly German, are sinking our vessels faster than we can replace them.

Considering also the official concessions that we never had enough shipping space for the war job, the only sane conclusion is that a bad situation is steadily becoming worse.

This could mean that we shall lose the war. It may mean just that, unless we show a little of that American imagination and initiative of which we love to boast.

How we can beat the U-boats, solve our shipping headaches and get to the fighting fronts those supplies which are useless while they lie around factories, warehouses and piers?

Obviously there are three methods, and no more. The first is to reduce the submarine toll. Thus far every effort in that direction has failed. Whenever the public has been told that the problem was being solved, sinkings have climbed like the head on a glass being filled with beer.

The second is to build more ships even faster than our astoundingly successful current program is doing. And where shall we get the raw material in time?

The third is to cast tradition to the winds, climb out of the deep rut we are in and beat German initiative with American ingenuity and initiative by carrying our cargo where the submarines can not even see them—much less torpedo them.

That is what proponents of a huge air freight fleet, to supplement and perhaps even replace the water-borne merchant marine, are urging.

They want to take the emphasis off costly ships which can be sunk faster than we can build them, and put it on airplanes which have a better chance of getting through.

Aeronautical science has reached a point where we can build aircrafts capable of carrying two of our largest tanks, or 20 of our P-40 fighters, or corresponding quantities of other armament, thousands of miles, non-stop.

They can go to the farthest corners of the war front, leave their cargo, pick up any return loads and be back in a week. It takes a ship five months for some of those round trips—provided the ship gets back at all.

Radical? Sure. Daring? Of course. A gamble? Probably.

Isn't this the time for daring—for a gamble that will improve the odds now against us?

The Western Hemisphere Faces The Axis



Ask Women To Use Less Cologne And Turn To Perfume

CHICAGO, (UP)—The men who provide glamour by the ounce have been smitten by the heavy knife of war conservation, and in a plea to the women, who already patriotically have yielded their girdles and silk stockings, are asking: "Please use more perfume, less cologne."

The alcoholic content of cologne is very high, William R. Tenney, vice-president of the Chicago Associated Toiletries Salomen explained, while that of perfume is very low. Therefore, women will be wise to purchase more perfume and use it sparingly.

A major headache for the toiletries men arose from a curtailment of alcohol, which has been limited to 70 per cent of the amount used in 1940.

Although wholesalers are expecting an OPA order soon that will restrict their sales to certain percentages, the amount and variety of perfumes will be sufficient to meet all Christmas shopping needs this year, Tenney said.

Most of the famous French perfumes now are bottled in America instead of being shipped here in concentrate and rebottled. Chicago fast is becoming the perfume center of the country and while sizes and selections have been deleted from the usual stocks available, shoppers will find enough aromas to tempt the male with customary efficiency.

The annual show of the toiletries association, was held here of the need for readjusting stocks in view of coming government three months in advance because regulations.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



THE big man on Main street says it is better to be misjudged for a deed of action than for a deed of neglect. The average gentleman's clothing bill is said to be \$540 per year. What does that make most of us?

DO YOU READ THE RANGER TIMES



"LET ME TELL YOU — business is terrible! My store was so empty last week that I didn't take in enough to pay my overhead. If it gets any worse I won't be able to buy anything but my morning paper!"

"I CAN'T COMPLAIN—my Friday ad in the Times packed my store. Say, you read the Times and so do your customers—why don't you advertise in it?"



"YES, DEAR, IT WAS A SURPRISE. A dozen replies the very next day—I guess it's because everybody reads the Ranger Times Want Ads."

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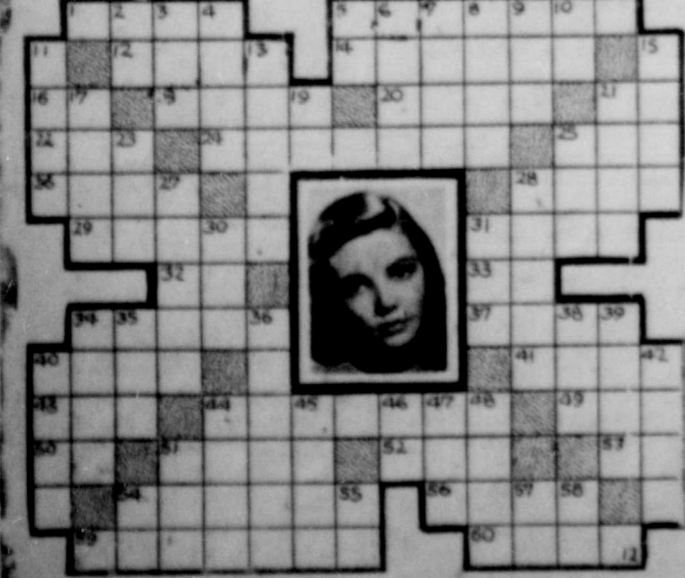
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SCREEN ACTRESS

Horizontal and vertical crossword puzzle clues and answers. Includes a small portrait of a woman in the center of the puzzle grid.



OUT OUR WAY



WILLIAMS

Hob Nails Are Out As Army Issues Soldiers Better And Lighter Shoes

By ROBERT HALL, United Press Staff Correspondent BOSTON. (UP)—In World War II, Johnny Doughboy is going to march to victory in shoes that fit. Officials at the Boston Quartermaster Depot, where all shoes for the U. S. Army are purchased, made that plain today in disclosing the improvements in fighting footwear between World War I and the current conflict.



Edson

Back in '17, a lot of Uncle Sam's soldiers were certain that shoes came in only two sizes—too big or too small. But all that is changed today. Regular service shoes range in size from 5A to 15 EE, and there's a la carte service for men with feet outside this range.

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In spite of all this, the reaction of that portion of the public which should have been concerned has been an amazing hookey indifference. The customary attitude has been, "Oh, let the other fellow convert." People who have found that conversion back to coal might cost from \$30 to \$75 have refused to make the expenditure, apparently waiting for a government subsidy.

Best guesses are that only about 2 per cent, or 28,000 of the 1,400,000 oil burners in the eastern states have actually been converted to coal.

The next moment, Bart had cut in again. Suddenly, the music stopped abruptly. Then as quickly swung into "God Bless America."

"I think it's rather nice, myself," Christie answered. "Why the sweet brotherly attention?"

"Well, to be honest, I need a little extra money—all you have in your evening bag."

"Tommy are you always broke? Anyway, everything's free. A lobster plate, I'm hearing."

"The perfect Family Tone," Tommy laughed. "Let's switch to something pleasant. And I do mean pleasant. There's a girl here—well, nothing quite like her has ever set foot in this town before."

Could she be the same girl Bart had been talking about? Of course she was! "She looks pretty social," Bart had said.

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"Good tune," Bart said, as the dancing stopped. They were standing now by the arch which separated the ballroom from the enclosed porch.

"Tommy!" Christie echoed indignantly, "what about that girl? She should have brought some respect for this country when she came from Europe!"

"I think it's rather unfair to judge a person so quickly," Christie's anger fell from her. "Perhaps it is," she said in a low tone.

"Oh, now look here. Aren't you getting a little hysterical about the whole thing? Nobody is going to spoil this evening for me. Sit this out with me, Christie. I've something to tell you."

Christie's personal sky was swept clear of storm clouds. She thought, as Bart plotted her toward the Palm Room: "It's silly to be this much in love."

A look from Bart talking about it and she was on top of the world. Bart had something to tell her! They had reached the dim, secluded Palm Room; and Bart had caught her close to him.

"Christie, I had it all planned out—to ask you to marry me. Dr. Atwell wants me to come in with him, as soon as I finish my internship."

SERIAL STORY

BANNERS FLYING

BY MARY RAYMOND

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CHRISTIE in Bart's arms, whirled past her mother and Miss Sarah Lancaster. She gave them her most heart-warming smile, because she felt sorry for them both—sitting there against the wall. For her mother, still pretty at 42, her romantic girlhood so far in the background...



"I'm glad I met you," Sandra said. "I wish I haven't disappointed you," Christie said sweetly.

lighted a cigaret and the brief glow showed the amused gleam in his eyes.

"You evidently think I don't know my mind."

"People change them," Sandra said sweetly.

"Well, it's still the Air Corps with me," Bart answered. He added, "and I don't change my mind."

Tommy had come up. "Hello," he greeted them. "Where did I lose you, Sandra? One minute you were standing by me and the next you were the little girl who wasn't there. You haven't forgotten we are leaving at intermission?"

"I only forget things I don't want to remember," Sandra replied. She turned to Christie. "I'm glad I met you," she said. "I wanted to see what you were like."

"I hope I haven't disappointed you," Christie said sweetly.

"Not at all," the other girl answered. "I think I knew exactly what you would be like." Only her smile robbed the words of malice, and Christie had the feeling that the smile was for Bart's benefit.

She waited until Sandra and Tommy had left the room. Then, she turned to Bart. "She knew about your plans for joining up. About me?"

"What's wrong with that?" Bart was looking at her in astonishment. "We were on the train several hours together. It was natural to discuss things we were interested in. She's a direct young person, and she asked if there was a girl at the end of the line. I said there was. Then, we got to talking about the war, and she found out it was the air end of it for me."

She could see that he was waiting, half bewildered, for her reply. She must put this hurt back of her. Men didn't think about things the way women did.

"Does that clear things up?" Christie nodded. She loved him—the war, and her country's emergency—these were the big concerns.

She would not let Sandra or anyone or anything undermine her happiness. Only she hoped she wouldn't run into her again.

Although similar in cut and pattern to the Pershing "boot" of the last war, today's service shoe is lighter and better appearing than its predecessor. A composition rubber and carbon tap replaced the hob-nailed sole and rubber heels replaced the iron-ringed heel.

At all army posts today a new military command can be heard—"Fall in for shoe inspection." Two-fold in its purpose, the inspection is intended to prevent possible foot injuries and to prolong the life of shoes through economical repair in shops maintained by the quartermaster corps.

The Women's Army Auxiliary Corps has not been left out of the foot picture. For the off-duty comfort of the WAAC's, an initial contract for 2,200 pairs of slippers has been approved by the quartermaster corps.

Along with the regulation type "Two" service shoe, three new major types of footwear have made their appearance in the soldier's "wardrobe." Unknown to soldiers of the last war are the ski boots issued to ski troops; "parachute boots" especially designed for parachute battalions; and the "cold climate boots" that are regular equipment for Uncle Sam's soldiers slated for service in regions where the temperatures are low.



The Payoff

By F. G. SALSINGER, Sports Editor, The Detroit News

Detroit—By the end of July practically every major league club already had played two-thirds of its games, leaving something like 50 for the last eight weeks of the season and, because of the position for double-headers that the owners have developed this year, guaranteeing a large number of playless afternoons.

Major league schedules, a badly scrambled mess to begin with, have been made constantly more perplexing. In the prosperous years games were played in the afternoon, single games starting at 1:30, but this year you never know when games will start. There are twilight games, twilight double-headers, half-day and half-night games, and night games.

THIS constant change in starting time has alienated many old timers. In a much shorter time than any other sport, the man whom he has counted on his steady customer, gets tired of trying to follow the jumbled time table.

Organized baseball was developed by newspaper publicity. By constantly changing the time table and shuffling the schedule, the club owners have destroyed much of the publicity they have been getting year after year. Few newspapers today publish box scores of all major league games.

With the exception of one or two clubs (the New York Yankees, whose receipts are the highest in baseball, are a notable example) the major league owners have this year destroyed a long-established custom that baseball is purely a sport.

Club owners, as a whole, are a short-sighted lot of fellows. Their stupidity is often appalling. Their hysterical efforts to make money this year is ruining the game for the future.

It may be that most of the franchise holders, if not all of them, have a well-developed hunch that baseball will have to be abandoned at the close of this season until after the war, and therefore they are out to get the last dime before the curtain falls.

Harry Grayson, NEA Service Sports Editor, is on vacation. In his absence, noted sports authorities will contribute to his column.

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



Society, Club and Church Notes

Auxiliary To Have Party

Members of the American Legion Auxiliary have completed plans for a "42" party and open house to be held Thursday night at 8 o'clock in the Legion club-rooms.

Legionnaires and their families are invited and others not affiliated with either organization are given a cordial invitation to attend.

Ruth Class to Have Party

Members of the Ruth Class of the First Baptist Church will be entertained with a kid party Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the home of Mrs. George Robinson with Mrs. J. D. Johnson assistant hostess. Members are requested to come dressed as kids.

Members without transportation are asked to call either of the hostesses and transportation will be provided.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Flippen have as their guests, Mr. and W. A. Hite of Tampa, Fla., and Mrs. Lula Low of Hildebrand.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Martin and sons, Charles David and Jimmie are in Beeville for a visit with Mr. Martin's parents.

W. A. Bauman underwent surgery at the West Texas Hospital today.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Scruggs and daughter have returned from Abilene where Mr. Scruggs attended the coaching school. They will leave Saturday for a visit with Mr. Scruggs' parents in Dallas County.

In the time it takes you to read this, about 9,000 quarts of milk have been produced in the United States. American cows produce 6,500,000 quarts of milk every hour—enough to provide every man, woman and child in New York City with nearly a quart.

Activities For Local Church For Week Are Outlined

The students and leadership personnel of the National Youth group were the honored guests of the First Baptist church of Ranger at the morning service Sunday. There were between 150 and 200 young men and women from over 150 states in the special service for young people which was a part of the church's bi-monthly program for the month of August being sponsored by the Training Union of the First Baptist church. The young people will have a social and watermelon feed Thursday night at 8:30 on the church lawn.

In the morning service last Sunday three beautiful silk flags, the Christian flag, the United States flag, and a Service flag were presented to the church by Rev. David M. Phillips, who announced that they were gifts to the church from Capt. and Mrs. C. L. Jackson of the Medical Corps of the U. S. Army, now located at Fort Bliss, El Paso.

Dr. H. H. Hodges, chairman of the board of deacons accepted the flags and responded for the church in accepting them.

Next Sunday will be observed as Sunday in the service of the church and Wednesday night following will be interdenominational night at prayer meeting. The interdenominational night will close on Thursday, August 27.

For the first week of the bi-monthly program more than 500 voters for the week were reported in the interval of securing the attendance and support of the membership in attending church and Sunday school, Training Union and prayer meeting and church practice W. M. U. and brotherhood meetings each week during the month of August.

Improvements Are Made At Hodges Oak Park School

Many improvements have been made this summer at the Hodges Oak school in the library.

The library now has 721 volumes which most adequately will meet the reading needs of the children of all the grades.

Quite a number of physical improvements have been made. New



ARMY COBBLER—How the shoeless Continentals at Valley Forge would have envied the United States soldiers of today when the Army carries to the field every facility for keeping footwear whole and comfortable!

Despite the modern mechanization of the armed forces, shoes are still a most important factor in the soldier's equipment. An Army shoe lasts about four months and in that time is re-soled twice. The shoe then is ready for salvage, and from this Uncle Sam also derives a percentage. With the latest equipment and skilled repairmen some of the camps and posts can turn out 900 pairs of re-soled shoes a day, according to the Quartermaster Corps. Millions of shoes have been bought for the Army since it is estimated that each man in the fighting forces will require 12 pairs during his period of service.

War Wins First Rationing Round But Girls Are Ready

DENTON, Tex. — The war may have won the first round in the rationing of women's cosmetics and the curbing of silk hose, but North Texas State teachers' college co-eds are of the opinion that the fight hasn't really started yet.

"There are plenty more rounds coming up, and we'll emerge winners in the battle of keeping looks in the midst of beauty-and-cheeriness," was the summation of statements of college girls in a campus-wide study conducted early this week to discover how the future sex intended to meet the restrictions on make-up and clothes.

When asked what they thought about the new Tall Skirts, which allow for little excess of material, the girls for the look have been built and a new 16-foot counter making it easier for the library to issue the books to the children. The library has been arranged to its location in order that books may be used and selection of reading material easier.

The students at Hodges Oak will readily notice the improvement which have been made.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson. Includes cartoon of a man with a horse and text: 'If we had to pay 1 1/4 cents per kilowatt hour for the heat and light we get from the sun, the United States would have an annual bill of 327 quadrillion dollars.'

War Wins First Rationing Round But Girls Are Ready. Includes text about cosmetics and silk hose, and a section titled 'Improvements Are Made At Hodges Oak Park School'.

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sewing with idea of saving can be fun. Commenting on the scarcity of zippers for fasteners and the thumb-down sign on peasant skirts, an Abilene senior observed, "Now the fasteners can be displayed as decorations; eight inches or so out of skirts isn't going to hurt the girls; and we don't have any objections to making clothes the new way because we know why we're asked to do it."

Though discouraged at first by the cosmetic rationing threat, co-eds rallied when it was suggested that if everyone had to give up make-up and present soap-and-water look out of place or feel would look out of place or feel water faces to best dates, no one unconventional. The boys also agreed that they wouldn't mind seeing what a girl really looked like for a change.

Dr. Mel Bonney of the education faculty, however, declared that he believes that anything that could help a girl's looks was a good thing, and he added that he was a grim believer of "improving nature in the raw."

"Loss of cosmetics will probably have a psychological effect on the girls, who will lose confidence in their looks and assurance in their manner," he said, but further stated that since girls always have found aids and remedies for glamour-beauty flaws, he thought they would soon discover a substitute for the ready-made beauty box.

Clever People, These Chinese!

CHICAGO — Clever people, these Chinese! The National Safety Council points out that while their compatriots in China have been valiantly fighting the battle of the democracies for the last five years, the Chinese in America have earned commendation by being the safest drivers of any racial group in the country.

Citing figures from the 1942 edition of Accident Facts, its statistical yearbook, the Council awards the palm to the Chinese for having a motor vehicle accident rate 40 per cent lower than that for the nation as a whole, with full account taken of the number of miles driven.

The Japanese, on the other hand, have a motor vehicle death rate more than twice that of the Chinese, and 20 per cent above the national average.

Today's Couplet: "I like a lawyer; even more I'm fond of a physician; But I'll admit I'd die before I'd send for a mortician."

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