

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By William E. McKenney, America's Card Authority.

Our party arrived in San Francisco in time for the opening of the annual Pacific Bridge Week tournament. On our trip across the country, Walter von Zedwitz and I naturally talked bridge a great deal. One of our main topics of conversation was the value of weak no trumps.

At the present time, the majority of experts believe an original no trump bid should be made only with a big hand. It is von Zedwitz' opinion, however, that this year will find a trend toward

♠ KQ1094
 ♥ 6
 ♦ 873
 ♣ 10952
 Dealer

♠ A72
 ♥ J52
 ♦ A98
 ♣ KJ3

♠ 6
 ♥ QJ108
 ♦ 53
 ♣ KQ4

Duplicate—None vul.
 South West North East
 1 N. T. Pass 2 Pass
 2 N. T. Pass 3 Pass
 Opening—♥ Q. 1

the more general use of the weak no trump.

His basic argument in favor of the weak no trump is it can show a hand with the required two to two and one-half tricks for an opening bid, but lacking a good suit bid. The one no trump bid also forces the opponents into the bidding at the range of two. As you can see from today's hand, it is sometimes difficult for the opponents to reach the right contract when they begin bidding at the two range.

In a recent duplicate game several East-West pairs found their game in hearts. One North-South pair doubled four hearts, which of course was made easily. Others went to four spades and were defeated two tricks.

At the only table where South opened with no trump, North's response of two spades discouraged East from starting a bid at three. North-South made a good stop at three spades, but even if South had bid three no trump and been set undoubted, his pair still would have scored top on the board.

Finland Wants To Keep Friendship Of America

HELSINKI, Finland. (AP)—President Risto Ryti told a group of foreign correspondents from Berlin Friday Finland was fighting for her rights, had no imperialist ambitions, hoped to remain friends with America and desired that after this war all nations of Europe shall live in peace.

In an informal chat in Helsinki's White House during an afternoon reception he spoke slowly and deliberately and readily answered questions, sometimes in English and sometimes in German.

KRLH PROGRAMS

- FRIDAY**
- 6:00—Double or Nothing, MBS
 - 6:30—Pettie Musicale
 - 7:00—News, TSN
 - 7:15—An Analysis of Propaganda, MBS
 - 7:30—Elizabeth Rethberg, MBS
 - 8:00—Raymond Grant Swing, MBS
 - 8:15—Frank Traumbauer's Orch.
 - 8:30—Quiz Bowl, MBS
 - 9:00—Art Jarrett's Orch., MBS
 - 9:15—Jimmy Parrett's Orch., MBS
 - 9:30—The Lone Ranger, MBS
 - 10:00—News, TSN
 - 10:15—Sport Cast, TSN
 - 10:30—BBC News, MBS
 - 10:35—Jan Garber's Orch., MBS
 - 10:45—Dance Orchestra, MBS
 - 11:00—Ella Fitzgerald's Orch., MBS
 - 11:15—Griff Williams' Orch., MBS
 - 11:30—Jimmy Joy's Orch., MBS
 - 12:00—Sign Off

- SATURDAY**
- 6:00—Music, Western Style
 - 6:30—Dawn Parade
 - 7:30—News, TSN
 - 7:45—Stafford and Conn Sextet
 - 8:00—News, TSN
 - 8:05—Rainbow Trio
 - 8:30—Rainbow House, MBS
 - 8:45—What's Doing Around Midland
 - 9:00—AP News Bulletins, MBS
 - 9:05—John Agnew, Organist, MBS
 - 9:15—Jimmy Shields & Orch., MBS
 - 9:30—U. S. Army Band, MBS
 - 10:00—AP News Bulletins, MBS
 - 10:05—Los Brown's Orch., MBS
 - 10:30—Half and Half
 - 11:00—News, TSN
 - 11:05—Musical Interlude
 - 11:15—Helen Holden, Govt. Girl, MBS
 - 11:30—Pauline Alpert, Pianist, MBS
 - 11:45—Man on the Street
 - 12:00—News & 20-20 Reports, TSN
 - 12:15—Luncheon Melodies
 - 12:30—George Duffey's Orch., MBS
 - 1:00—From the Kentucky Mts., MBS
 - 1:30—Ray Herbeck's Orch., MBS
 - 2:00—AP News Bulletins, MBS
 - 2:05—Prelude to Stardom, MBS
 - 2:30—Art Mooney's Orch., MBS
 - 2:45—Dick Barrie's Orch., MBS
 - 2:55—UP News Bulletins, MBS
 - 3:00—McClelland Van Der Veer, MBS
 - 3:15—I Hear America Singing, MBS
 - 3:45—Emil Flindt's Orch., MBS
 - 4:00—Chicago Handicap, MBS
 - 4:30—Fredy Martin's Orch., MBS
 - 5:00—Dramas of Youth, MBS
 - 5:30—Confidentially Yours, MBS
 - 5:45—Popular Records
 - 5:55—Sports Scores
 - 6:00—The Green Hornet, MBS
 - 6:30—Hawaii Calls, MBS
 - 7:00—Kings Jesters & Playboys
 - 7:15—From Batavia, MBS
 - 7:25—Musical Interlude, MBS
 - 7:30—Morton Gould's Orch., MBS
 - 8:00—Chicagoand Concert, MBS
 - 9:00—Cleveland Summer Orch., MBS
 - 9:30—California Melodies, MBS
 - 10:00—Gene Krupa's Orch., MBS
 - 10:30—BBC News, MBS
 - 10:35—Skinnay Ennis' Orch., MBS
 - 11:00—Fredy Martin's Orch., MBS
 - 11:30—Dick Barrie's Orch., MBS
 - 11:45—Ernie Holst's Orch., MBS
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DEFENSE BOND QUIZ

Q. What is the procedure of redeeming a Defense Savings Bond, if I need the money before the Bond matures?

A. You may secure payment by signing the request for payment in the presence of an authorized officer, who must add his certification; you then forward the Bond in accordance with the instructions printed on it. On all U. S. Savings Bonds appears a table of redemption values, showing the amount you are entitled to receive on demand at any time.

Q. Will I be able to get my money quickly?

A. Normally, a Treasurer's check is mailed to registered owner shortly after receipt of Bond with "Request for Payment" properly executed, either by the Treasury or a Federal Reserve Bank. Bonds cannot be cashed at post offices.

Note.—To buy Defense Bonds and Stamps, go to the nearest post office or bank.

New Levies On Liquor Help Revenue Increase

AUSTIN (AP)—The increased tax on liquor and a new levy on whisky purchased under a physician's prescription accounted for \$117,154 of the \$266,030 increase in July revenue to the liquor control board.

State Administrator Bert Ford reported total revenue of \$734,111 against \$468,080 in July 1940. The prescription tax provided \$13,864 and the increased tax on distilled spirits yielded \$103,290 in new revenues.

Plane Production Doesn't Meet Par

SAN ANTONIO (AP)—United States plane production is not up to par and probably "never will be," declared Robert A. Lovett, assistant secretary of war for air, during a visit to Randolph Field Thursday.

Estimating the current production of army aircraft at 1,500 monthly, Lovett said this was not "what it should be," adding: "It never will be up to what it should be. We can never have too many planes."

Accompanying Lovett were Major General Henry H. Arnold, chief of the army air forces, Major General Gerald C. Brant of San Antonio, commander of the Gulf Coast Area training centers, and a number of

SILK SHORTAGE REPORTS STARTS RUN IN STOCKINGS

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—There's a big run in silk stockings here. Feminine buyers, department stores reported, are alarmed by published reports of a prospective shortage of raw silk and the freezing of Japanese assets, are besieging silk hosiery counters.

Despite government assurance that supplies were ample, officials said Friday that housewives, candy-makers, manufacturers of other products requiring sugar, wholesalers and retailers have bought sugar at a record-breaking rate this year to build up reserve stocks for use in case of a scarcity or stratospheric prices.

This heavy buying activity had one natural result—a sharp rise in prices. Those prices are the highest since the war's start in 1939.

Sugar Consumers Pay Highest Price

WASHINGTON (AP)—Apparently fearful that the war may cause shortages, American consumers have engaged in another sugar-hoarding spree but it may backfire on them.

Earlier when the party stopped at Ellington Field, Houston, General Arnold asserted that American planes were as good as the best in the world but they were not being turned out fast enough.

CONGRESS MAY RECOGNIZE DOGS GUIDING BLIND

WASHINGTON (AP)—Dogs trained to guide the blind may receive recognition by Congress.

Representative Lanham (D-Tex) introduced Thursday a bill (HR 5459) to permit such dogs to enter government buildings when accompanied by their blind masters and under control.

WASHINGTON (AP)—Except for pears, the commerce department says stocks of leading canned fruits and vegetables were much lower July 1 than on the similar date last year.

when a similar epidemic of hoarding led the government to take drastic action to check the advance.

U. S. Reports Record 1941 Wool Production

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Agriculture Department Friday forecast the quantity of wool shorn and to be shorn in 1941 would provide a record crop of about 399,941,000 pounds.

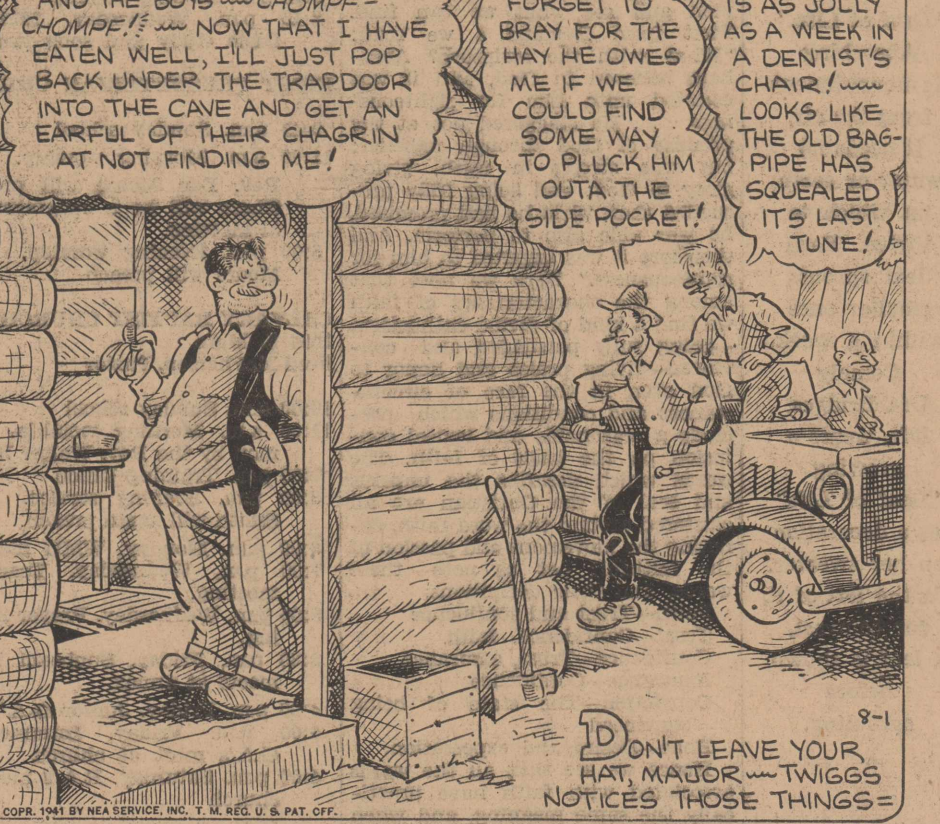
This estimate was about 3 per cent larger than the record 1940 crop, and 9 per cent above the 10-year (1930-39) average.

The larger production this year reflected, the department said, an increased number of sheep shorn or to be shorn and of a larger average weight of wool per sheep.

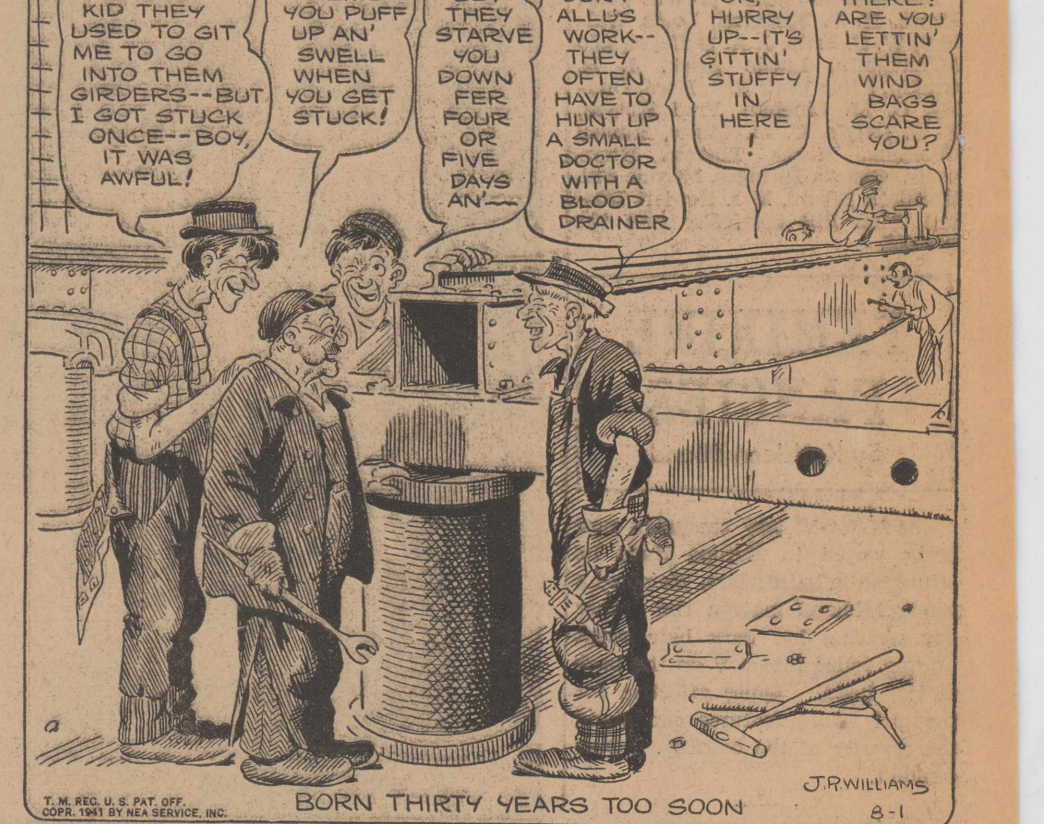
Funny Business



OUR BOARDING HOUSE with MAJOR HOOPLE



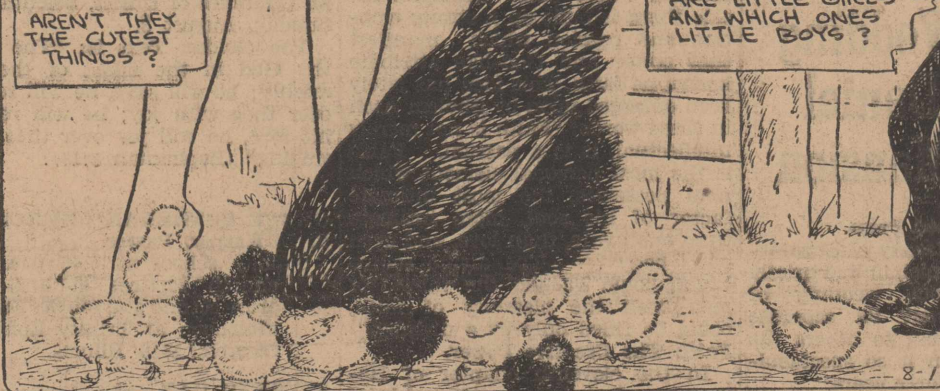
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Side Glances



BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES

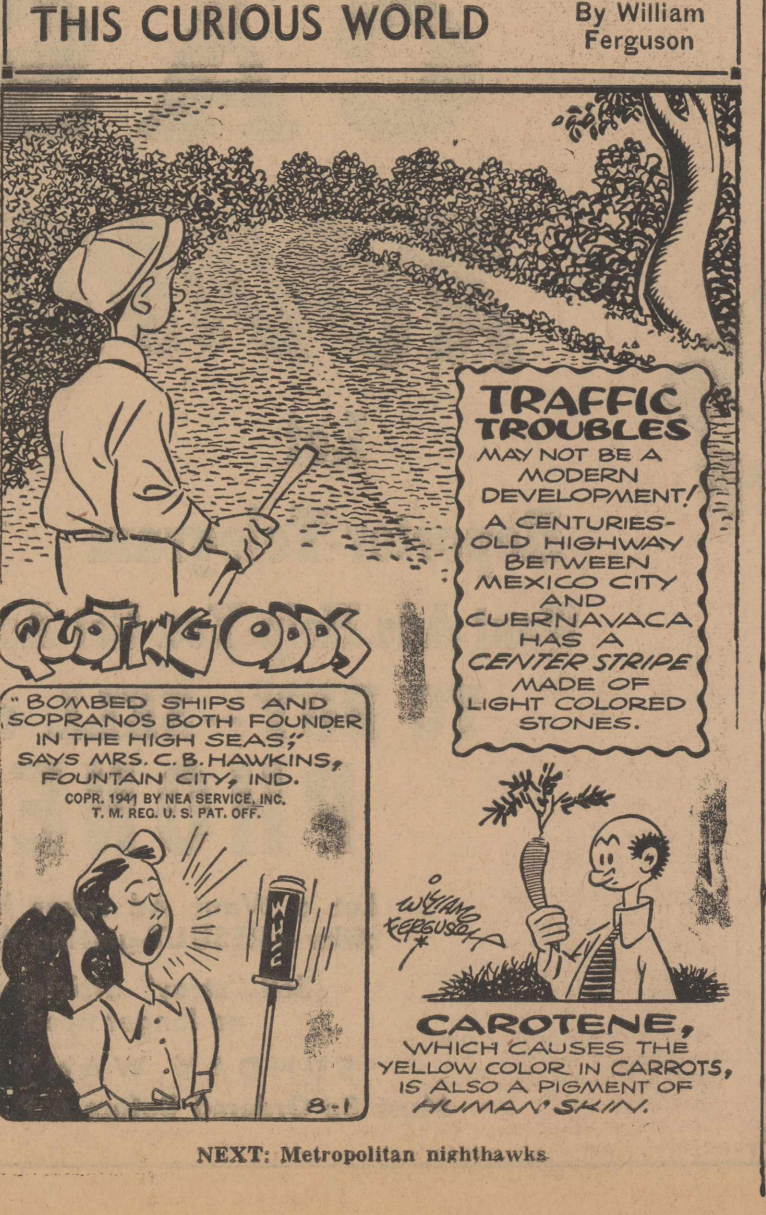


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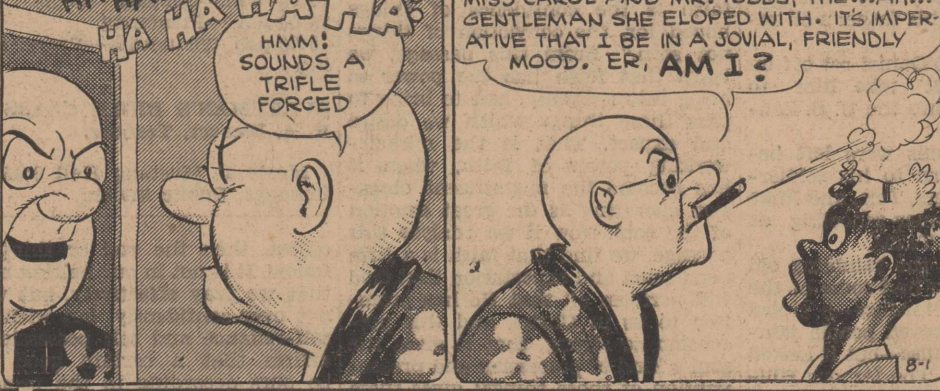


IF I'M CURT AND RUDE IN ANY OF THOSE LETTERS, SUPPOSE YOU IMAGINE IT'S A NICE COOL DAY AND MAKE THEM SWEET AND NOLITE!

THIS CURIOUS WORLD



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ALLEY OOP



By V. T. HAMLIN



RED RYDER



By FRED HARMAN



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