

Business Picture In Washington Reflects Sharp Turn Recently

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WASHINGTON.—If you don't think times have changed, consider just two angles of the Washington spectacle today: 1—Big business men, Republicans nearly all, are working for the New Deal administration for a dollar a year; 2—The Republican party, which used to be considered the protector of big business, has now taken the cause of little business under its wing.

This latter development comes through House Minority Leader Joe Martin's appointment of a committee of 20 Republican congressmen, headed by Charles A. Halleck of Remselser, Indiana, to study the problem of the little fellow squeezed out of business by the defense effort.



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Entrance of the Halleck committee into the picture brings to a total of five the number of government bodies who are now professionally worried about the little fellow. The Halleck committee isn't an official congressional committee. It is purely political. It has no appropriation, and its activities will consist of receiving complaints from small business men caught in the priorities draft. The committeemen will probably make speeches about them.

In the Senate two committees have tackled the problem. The Truman committee, investigating national defense contracts, has touched on the subject in testimony from a few witnesses, and Truman investigators have dug into it considerably. Then there is the committee headed by Senator James E. Murry of Butte, Mont., appointed specifically to study problems of small business enterprise. It started work even before the defense effort got hot, but so far hasn't come up with anything very helpful.

Over in OPM is the Defense Contract Service under Robert L. Mehornay which has the real job of trying to promote sub-contracting, bringing the little manufacturer into the defense program, spreading the work to "bits and pieces" production. Its recent job of inviting manufacturers in the Detroit area to come in and see a torn down model of aircraft and tank engines, to see what parts they could make, is an example of the constructive work in aiding the change-over from normal to defense production.

Paralleling this work is the effort of Sidney Hillman's labor division in OPM to keep up employment during the transition period and maintain a steady supply of labor for the expanding defense efforts. Both of these are positive steps to benefit the small business man, particularly the manufacturer, but they don't cover the problems of the little fellow who can't get a piece of the defense pie.

Broader in its scope, and likewise positive in its intention of actually doing something to help the small, or independent business man caught in the defense rush, will be the work of the new "small business unit" now being set up in Assistant Attorney General Thurman Arnold's anti-trust division. Arnold has just picked his man to head this unit in Guy Holcomb of Atlanta, Ga. It will be early September before Holcomb will be set to start functioning, but in the meantime, he is willing to receive letters from small business men who feel that they are being left out of the defense picture, or are actually being discriminated against. When organized, this unit will have a staff to follow up on these complaints and an economic staff to analyze them. Address: Small Business Unit, Anti-Trust Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Recreational Group To Have Mass Meeting

Presidents of all civic clubs and others interested, particularly those interested in a civic center, are invited to attend the mass meeting of the Midland recreational council Monday night at 7:30 o'clock. The meeting will be in the garden of Mrs. N. A. Lancaster's home, 1705 W Indiana.

Problems concerning soldier recreation and future recreation projects for the town will be discussed.

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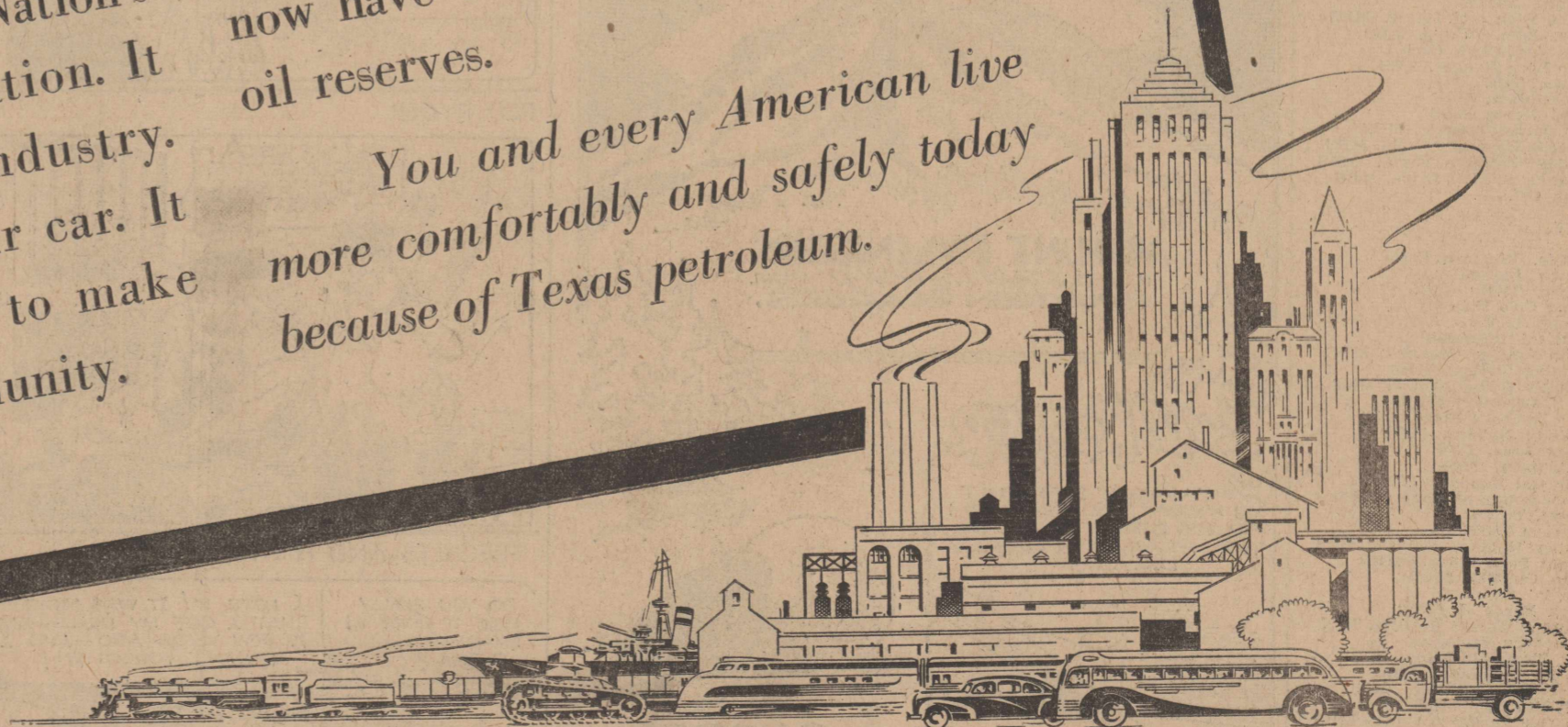
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McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

The number of the New Yorkers who have established themselves in bridge on the Pacific coast is surprising. I dropped in one evening at the Langdon Bridge Club in Los Angeles, operating by the Langdon, a former New Yorker who is one of the greatest auction rubber bridge players ever to sit at the table. Many of the movie stars enjoy

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South	West	North	East
Pass	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening—♦2. 18

rubber bridge at Langdons club. The night I dropped in, Binnie Barnes was playing gin rummy, George Burns and Allen were playing bridge, and Lou Holtz was kibitzing. Lou couldn't resist the temptation to get in on the discussion of today's hand after it was played.

When West failed to lead a club, declarer made a grand slam. A small slam was cold against any lead. Lou Holtz didn't wait to find this out. After the opening lead was made and before dummy went down, he remarked, "You missed the boat."

He had been kibitzing South. With South's hand, he said, he would have opened the bidding. Having failed to do so, he would have bid at least three hearts over North's opening bid; and having failed to show strength, he would have bid five or six hearts later. Who can criticize this analysis, even from a kibitzer?

Army Guns Blast In Louisiana War

ALEXANDRIA, La., (AP)—Rifle and machine gun fire-blanks—reverberated through the outskirts of West Alexandria Monday as fast-moving armored scouts and combat teams met in mock combat opening hostilities between 115,000 V Army corps "Red" troops moving up from the south, 75,000 VIII corps "Blues" racing down from North Louisiana. Prisoners were numerous after many forays.

Stretching back from the scouts both north and south were the thousands of larger forces moving up for a test between speedy "blitz" tactics by the Blues and the more numerous defensive Reds.

Advocates Statue Of FDR In London

LONDON, (AP)—Wilson Midgley, editorial director of the London Star, advocated Monday that a statue of President Roosevelt be erected in London.

"There might," he wrote "be something finely significant in putting it up now to defy the blitz with that well-known face slightly lifted, as usual, as if to take it on the chin."

EGYPT WON'T SEND COTTON TO JAPAN

CAIRO, Egypt (AP)—Large quantities of Egyptian cotton, scheduled for shipment to Japan, will not be sent, an official announcement said Monday following cancellation of all navicerts from Egypt to Japan.

Retail Grocers Start Convention At Dallas

DALLAS, (AP)—Dallas was the mecca Monday for more than 1,000 men who perform an important daily task by handling the food that goes into hundreds of thousands of larders—the retail grocer.

Members of the Texas Retail Grocers Association met at the Baker Hotel for the opening of their sixteenth annual four-day convention and food show.

After an early breakfast, delegates were called to order by Frank E. Graham, convention chairman. Mayor Woodall Rogers of Dallas delivered a welcoming address, and R. E. Samuel of Huntsville responded.

McMahon President Of Women's College

SAN ANTONIO (AP)—Dr. John LaSalle McMahon, professor of social sciences in the Catholic University of America in Washington, has been named president of Our Lady of the Lake College here, it was announced Monday. He succeeds the late very Rev. H. A. Constantineau, who died in July, last year, after serving the institution for 36 years.

CHINA WILL HELP IN WAR RECONSTRUCTION

CHUNGKING, (AP)—Foreign Minister Quo Tai-Chi, in a statement on the Roosevelt-Churchill declaration, said Monday China was prepared to make her full contribution to post-war reconstruction.

Six Children Dead In Farmhouse Fire

PUNXSUTAWNEY, Pa. (AP)—Six children, ranging in age from two to 11 years, perished early Monday as flames destroyed their farmhouse at Grange, near this Western Pennsylvania community.

Merle Bush, 47, father of the children and a WPA worker, reported the fire started from an explosion of soot in a coal stove which he was firing.

The victims were trapped in an upstairs bedroom.

BAKER ILL IN EL PASO HOSPITAL

A. P. Baker, Las Cruces, N. M., former Midland resident, is in an El Paso hospital with pneumonia Sunday night destroyed gasoline in

Hickman To Talk On 'Night Photography'

Ralph Hickman was scheduled to lecture on "Night Photography" at a meeting of the Midland Camera Club at 8 p. m. Monday night at Hotel Scharbauer.

A contest among club members and others now underway will be discussed.

TAMPICO AUTHORITIES INVESTIGATE BLAZE

TAMPICO, Mexico, (AP)—Port authorities at Tampico were reported Monday investigating the possibility of sabotage in a fire which

DESPOUND JAPANESE ATTEMPTS HARA KIRI

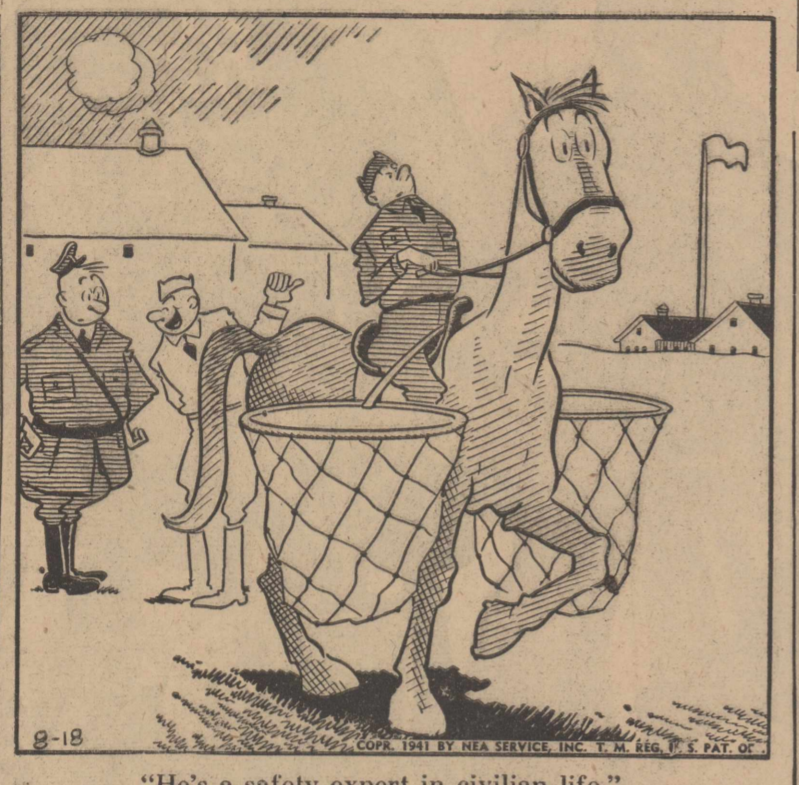
HONOLULU, (AP)—Despondent over relations between the United States and Japan, Ushi Makamine, elderly Japanese pineapple worker, obtained a knife, a gallon of sake and a gallon of kerosene and went into the woods.

He drank of the wine, started a forest fire with the kerosene, then attempted Hara Kiri, police who heard his story said.

Impartially disemboweled, Makamine was in a critical condition. Five hundred soldiers from Schofield Barracks, near where the Japanese attempted suicide, fought the blaze which spread over 500 acres.

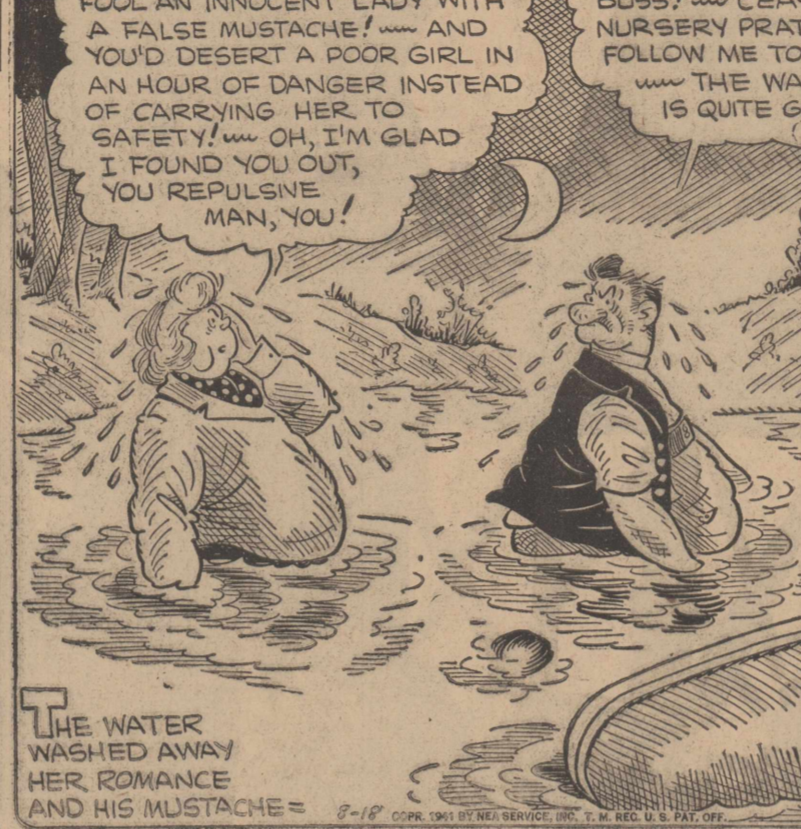
auxiliary storage tanks at the government refineries. Total losses had not been estimated Monday.

Funny Business



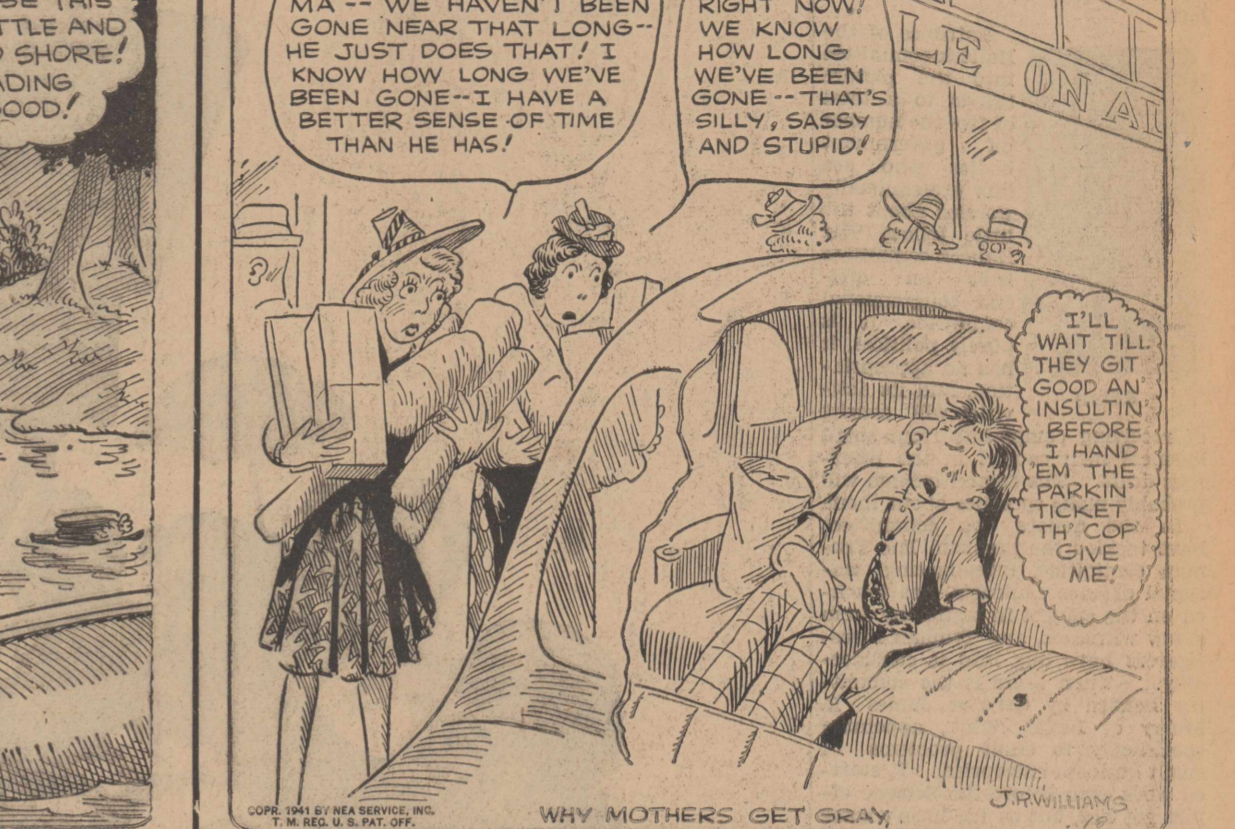
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WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

Japanese Shoot Leader's Guard

SHANGHAI, (AP)—Usually reliable sources reported Monday three members of Wang Ching-wei's personal bodyguard were shot to death and a fourth was wounded in an attack Saturday night on the Nanking home of the leader of the Japanese-sponsored Chinese regime.

These sources said the attack was reported to have been instigated by Japanese who doubted Wang's trustworthiness and took that means of warning him not to make any false moves in his relations with Japan.

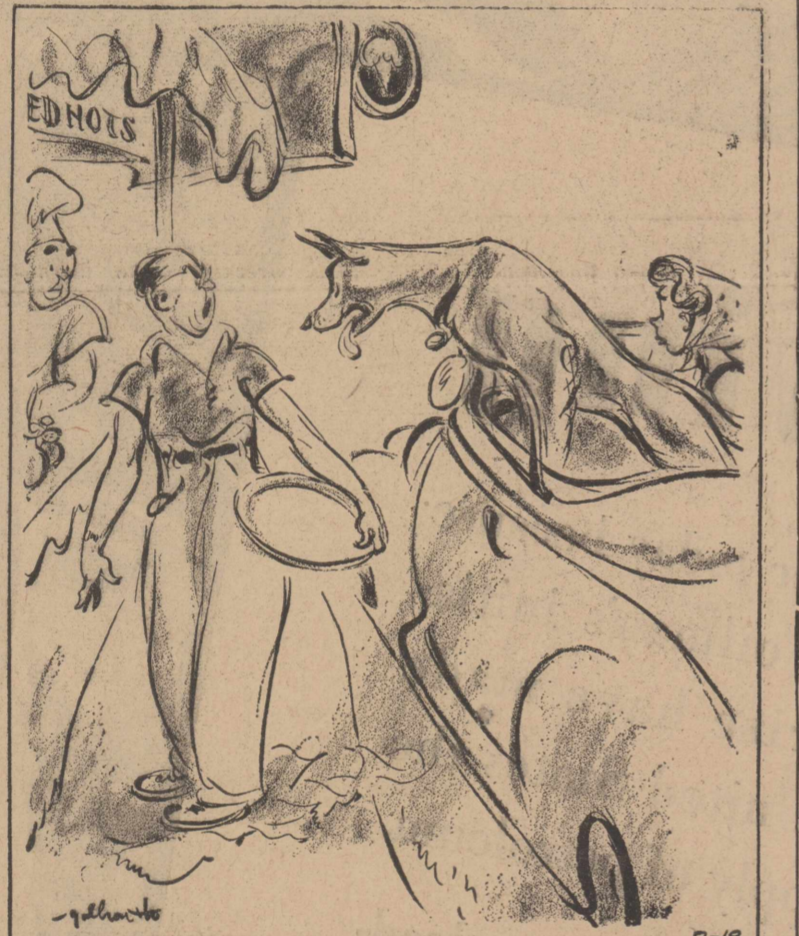
Japanese sources intimated that the Nanking regime soon might order British and United States consular representatives out of Japanese occupied China, on the ground that their countries failed to recognize the Wang government.

MIDLAND MAN ATTENDS CLINIC
Dr. W. L. Sutton attended the district four optometric clinic at Hotel Wooten, Abilene Sunday. The district includes Abilene, Brownwood, Brady, San Angelo, Midland and Big Spring. Attendance was approximately 16. Next month the meeting will be at Big Spring.

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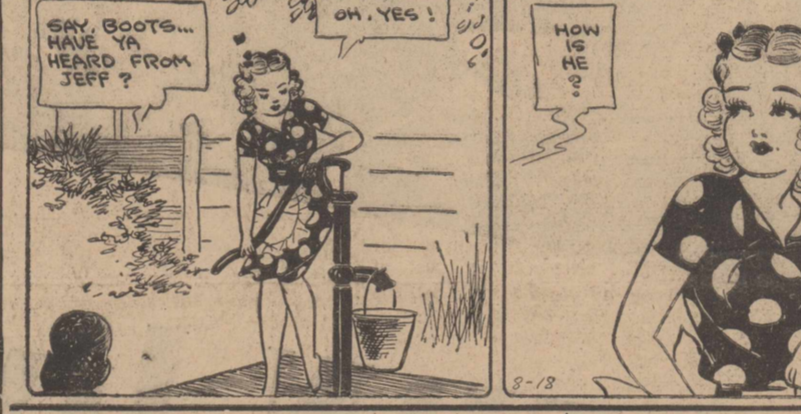
- MONDAY**
- 6:00—Popular Records
 - 6:15—Contact, MBS
 - 6:30—Island, MBS
 - 7:00—News, TSN
 - 7:15—Guardians of the Gates, MBS
 - 7:30—E. Bennett's Notebook, MBS
 - 8:00—Raymond Gram Swing, MBS
 - 8:15—Schutt Mertz
 - 8:30—Tom, Dick and Harry, MBS
 - 9:00—Rev. John O'Brien, MBS
 - 9:15—Gus Arnheim's Orch.
 - 9:30—The Lone Ranger, MBS
 - 10:00—News, TSN
 - 10:15—Sport Cast, TSN
 - 10:30—RBC News, MBS
 - 10:35—Art Jarrett's Orch., MBS
 - 11:00—Charlie Barnett's Orch., MBS
 - 11:30—Teddy Powell's Orch., MBS
 - 11:45—Pancho and His Orch., MBS
 - 12:00—Sign Off.
- TUESDAY**
- 6:00—Music, Western Style
 - 6:30—Dawn Parade, MBS
 - 7:00—News, TSN
 - 7:15—King Cole Trio
 - 8:00—News, TSN
 - 8:05—Musical Interlude
 - 8:15—John Agnew, Organist, MBS
 - 8:30—Singing Strings, MBS
 - 8:45—What's Doing Around Midland
 - 9:00—E. S. Bennett's Orch., MBS
 - 9:15—The Buckeye Four, MBS
 - 9:30—Melody Strings, MBS
 - 9:45—Easy Aces, TSN
 - 10:00—Neighborhood, TSN
 - 10:15—Our Gal Sunday, TSN
 - 10:30—Love Songs of Today, TSN
 - 11:00—News, TSN
 - 11:05—Musical Interlude
 - 11:15—Helen Holden, Drama, MBS
 - 11:30—Front Page Farrell, MBS
 - 11:45—Man On The Street
 - 12:00—Singin' Sam
 - 12:15—Jack Borch & Gang
 - 12:30—News & Market Reports, TSN
 - 12:45—Luncheon Melodies
 - 1:00—AP News Bulletins, MBS
 - 1:05—To be Announced, MBS
 - 1:15—Riverboat Shufflers, MBS
 - 1:30—UP News Bulletins, MBS
 - 2:00—Shafter Parker & Circus MBS
 - 2:15—To be Announced, MBS
 - 2:30—The Johnson Family, MBS
 - 2:45—Oklahoma Outlaws, MBS
 - 3:00—News & Market Reports, TSN
 - 3:15—Whitney Stakes, MBS
 - 3:30—John Sturgess, MBS
 - 3:45—Symphonic Strings
 - 4:00—AP News Bulletins, MBS
 - 4:05—Paul Decker's Orch., MBS
 - 4:30—Camp Grant in Review, MBS
 - 6:00—Frank Blair, MBS
 - 6:15—Here's Morgan, MBS
 - 6:30—Confidentially Yours, MBS
 - 6:45—Popular Records
 - 6:55—Sports Scores

Side Glances

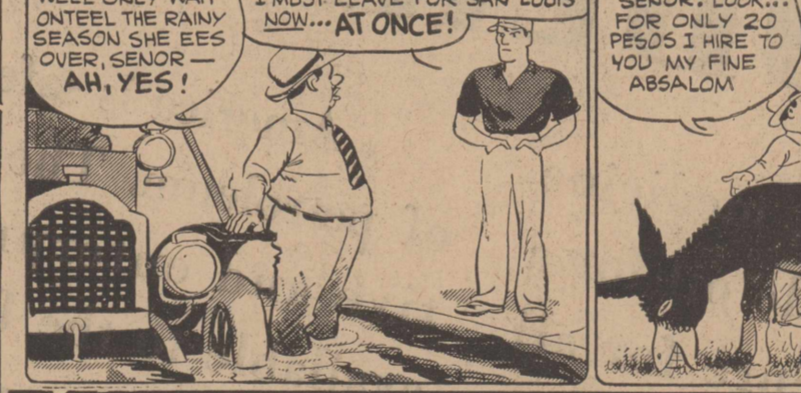


"I won't be bullied into buying any more—\$1.30 worth of hamburgers is enough for any hound!"

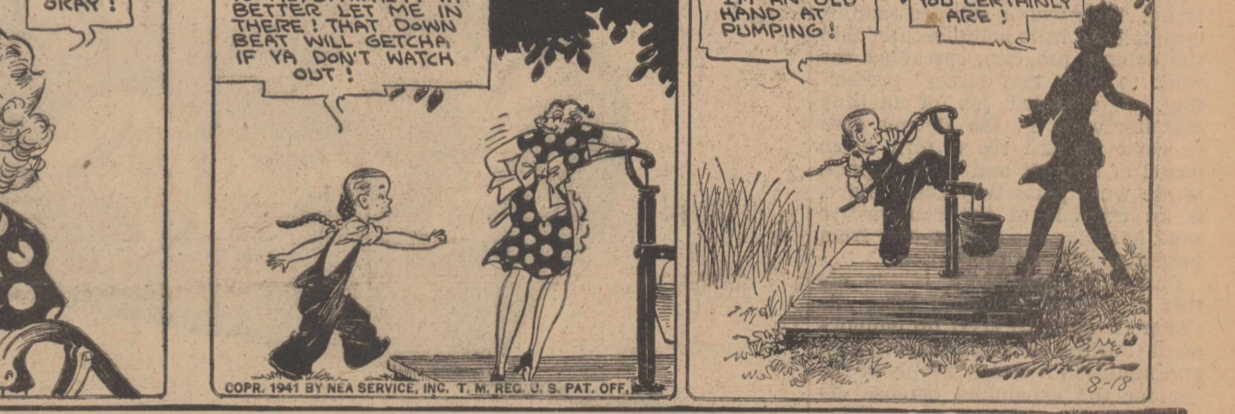
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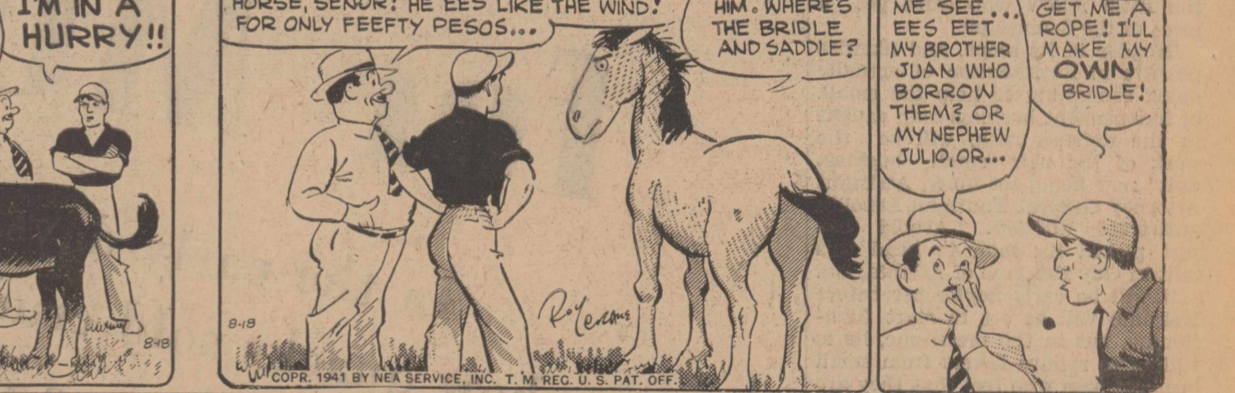
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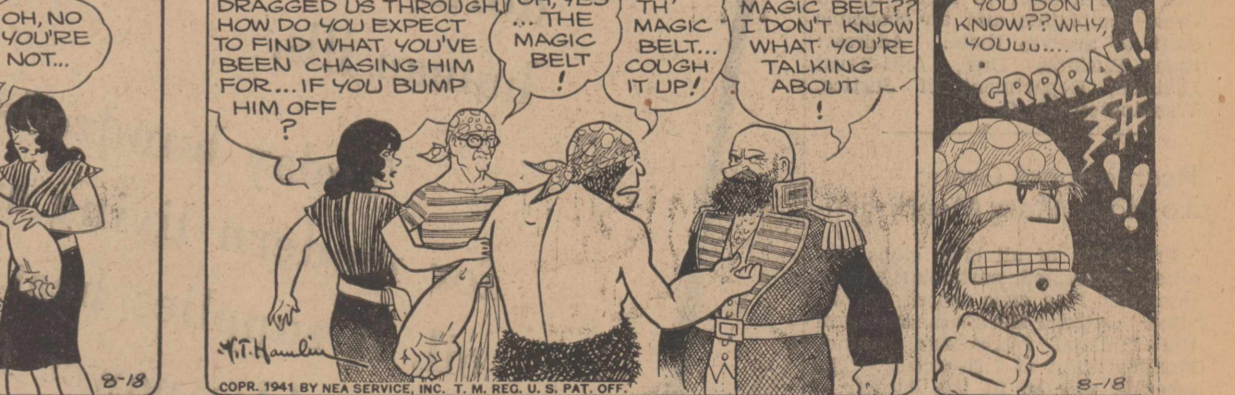
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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



THIS CURIOUS WORLD



ANSWER: Buffaloes used them as rubbing posts and pushed them over. NEXT: How many airplane pilots are there in the world?

