

U. S. Forces Fend Off Jap Attempts To Soften Up Solomon Defense Lines

Enemy Places Troops And Artillery Into Position For Assault

WASHINGTON (AP)—Fending off aerial attempts to soften them up, American forces entrenched on Guadalcanal island braced themselves Monday for an expected full-scale assault by large numbers of Japanese land fighters.

German Raiders Attack Several Parts Of Britain

LONDON (AP)—German daylight raiders, taking advantage of low clouds, attacked several points on the East Coast of Britain Monday, causing considerable damage and some casualties and giving London three brief alerts.

Another Scrap Source Is Found Near City

Every citizen is interested in the big all-out scrap drive in Midland County and new sources of scrap metal are being found almost daily.

Gen. Johnson Promoted Relations With Mexico

Brig. Gen. Harry H. Johnson, commander of the 56th Cavalry Brigade at Fort McIntosh at Laredo, who recently received Mexico's highest military decoration, Order of Military Merit, did so as a result of his study of relations between Mexico and the United States.

Office Of War Information Says U.S. Planes Are Getting Better

WASHINGTON (AP)—Coupling unvarnished criticism of American fighter planes with an overall analysis of all Army and Navy air types, the Office of War Information concluded Monday that "on average the combat performance of United States aircraft was good and improving."

Nazis Change Tactics To Storm At Stalingrad Block By Block

By The Associated Press The German struggle to conquer Stalingrad bit by bit—a tactic necessitated by the stalwart Russian defense—war marked Monday by an advance over hundreds of new German dead which added one more block of Stalingrad's battered buildings to the German holdings within the city.

Second Monahans Well Hits Water In Deep Permian

LONDON (AP)—Mutinies, desertions, suicides and general lowering of morale are on the increase among the 200,000 German troops of occupation in Norway, the Norwegian government-in-exile was informed Monday in fresh reports brought out of the homeland.

Revolt And Unrest Hit Nazis Hard

Two large concentration camps were reported opened for mutineers along the Finnish frontier and at least 1,400 Nazis were said to be confined in one of them.

But the Russians, on this 56th day of siege and sixth day of a renewed, all-out assault by the Germans, still were moving fresh troops across the Volga into the ruins of Stalingrad in an unremitting effort to quell the German threat or kill as many of the foe as possible.

More Mechanics Are Here For Army Duty

A large detachment of Air Force mechanics arrived in Midland Sunday for duty at the bombardier school here.

Oil Tank Car Shipments To East Coast Decline

WASHINGTON (AP)—Tank car shipments of oil to the East Coast declined to 766,410 barrels daily during the week ended Oct. 10, the lowest for any week since July 18, the Office of Petroleum Coordinator reported Monday.

Farm Transportation Committee Selected

A United States Department of Agriculture farm transportation committee for Midland County was set up Monday by the Midland County U.S.D.A. war board in a meeting here.

Push Passage Of Three Bills For This Week

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Administration sought to dynamite a legislative log-jam in the Senate Monday in an effort to put three important bills—the proposal to draft 18 and 19-year-olds, the record-breaking tax bill and a \$6,341,000,000 appropriations measure—on President Roosevelt's desk before the end of the week.

WEATHER

West Texas: Continued cool.

WAR BULLETINS

SOMEWHERE IN NEW GUINEA. (AP)— Allied airmen hurled their second big assault in as many days against Japanese bases in the Solomons before dawn Monday in an offensive aimed at easing enemy pressure on American forces fighting on Guadalcanal.

NEW YORK (AP)— A Tokyo broadcast said that strict restrictions had been put into effect Monday along the Manchurian frontier bordering Soviet Siberia.

MONTEVIDEO (AP)— The Uruguayan government authorized a private firm Monday to raise the hull of the scuttled German pocket battleship Graf Spee from the bottom of the river Plate in order to reclaim the ship's steel.

MOSCOW (AP)—German troops made a new advance in the Stalingrad area, occupying a new block of buildings at the cost of hundreds of dead and heavy losses in equipment, the Soviet communiqué said Monday.

It Won't Be Easy For The Japs



Getting set for the Jap attempt to retake Guadalcanal which they knew was sure to come, these Marines string barbed wire around gun emplacements which guard the sea approaches. (U.S. Navy Photo from NEA Telephoto).

Men Ready To Collect Scrap

Scrap-happy Midland citizens have their sleeves rolled up for the county-wide scrap drive Tuesday—doing their bit in this vital phase of the all-out war effort.

Stores and offices will close at 1 p. m. with no business other than scrap collecting to be conducted before 6:30 p. m. Every able-bodied man is urged to report at the central scrap pile on West Missouri, across the street from The Reporter-Telegram, before 1:30 p. m., when assignments will be made.

SEVEN ALLIED CARGO SHIPS SUNK BY U-BOATS

Seven United Nations cargo ships last week were announced sunk in Western Atlantic waters, bringing death to 233 persons, including women and children.

INSTRUCTIONS PREPARED

Instruction sheets have been prepared by Chairman Clint Dunagan and will be distributed to workers. Loud speaking equipment will be used in getting the drive underway.

A central office will be maintained during the drive at the chamber of commerce, telephone 55, and persons whose scrap is not picked up promptly should call the office.

Midland business men are scrapping mad and they are going to get the scrap-making sure that no soldier will die because they failed.

The lives of 137 men, women and children were lost when U-boats slipped into Canadian coastal waters and sank the British ferry steamship Caribou—the 10th sinking of the war reported in that area.

Highway and Airway Link U. S. to Alaska



The Army-built Alcan highway parallels a chain of airports constructed across northwest Canada a year ago by Canadian engineers. The road is scheduled for opening Dec. 1.

THE WAR TODAY By DEWITT MACKENZIE United States Bomber Wing Operational Headquarters. Somewhere in Britain—You can talk about your new weapons with staggering efficiency, but this fresh world conflict produced no greater marvel than the adaptability of our young airmen—most of them mere boys in years—to the complicated science of waging war from the skies.

Mountains Of Scrap Will Save Thousands Of Men's Lives



**MOUNTAINS OF SCRAP
WILL SAVE
THOUSANDS OF LIVES!**

Stockpiles like this are needed all over the country so that our Government can plan our armament program—and our mills and plants can deliver the fighting tools!

- - - And WE'RE Going Out After SCRAP

**WHOSE BOY
WILL DIE BECAUSE
YOU FAILED?**

Don't be a **SLACKER** - get in on the big scrap drive. Get every ounce of unused metal available. Without this scrap the Nations steel mills must shut down, for all new steel is 50% scrap and the mills have not enough for even 30 days more. Remember if the mills are out of scrap they shut down. And we lose the war!

We - the following Business Men and our E mployees are going to do our share

WE WILL BE CLOSED - Tuesday, Oct. 20, 1PM to 6:30PM

American Beauty Shop
A & L Housing & Lumber Co.
Barron Supply Co.
Bush Service Station
Branch & Shepard Roofing Co.
Barrow's
Burton-Lingo Co.
City Drug Store
Central Pharmacy
Cash & Carry Grocery & Mkt.
Conoco Service Stations
Cactus Cafe
City Cafe
Crawford Coffee Shop
Carson Feed Store
Dunlap's
Dunagan Sales Company

Excel-Sure Cleaners
Elder Chevrolet Co.
Fulton Tire Co.
Friday Boot Shop
Firestone Stores
Fashion Cleaners
Grady Brown Service Station
H & H Food Store
H & H Cafe
Habit Cleaners
Harry Tolbert
Harris-Luckett Stores
Hurley's
Harris Feed Co.
Higginbotham-Bartlett Co.
John P. Howe Co.
Iva's Jewelers

Jacks Barber Shop
Lanham Grocery & Mkt.
Llano Barber & Beauty Shop
Lott's Drug Store
Middleton Cleaners
Midland Hardware & Furniture
Montgomery Ward
Mallock Produce & Grocery
McMullan's Dry Goods & Shoes
Midland Chamber Of Commerce
Midland Bottling Co.
Midland Theatres
Palace Drug & Jewelry
J. C. Penney & Co.
Plamor Bowling Palace
Perry Bros., Inc.
Phillips Electric Co.
Piggly-Wiggly Store

Rocky Ford Moving Vans
Roettger's Jewelry
Scharbauer Garage
Smith's Men's Shop
Service Club
Sewell Super Service Station
Southern Body Works
Smith's Ladies Shop
Southern Ice Company
Sledges Cafe
Sunset Motor Lines
Silver Grill Cafe
Sparks & Barron
The Book Stall
Tasty Grill
The United Store

Texas Electric Co.
The Midland National Bank
The First National Bank
The Reporter-Telegram
The Popular Store
Texas Employers Insurance Assn.
U. S. Cleaners & Hatters
William's Studio
Wilson's
White's Stores Inc.
Wakefield Cafe
Western Furniture Co.
West Texas Office Supply
West Texas Reproduction Co.
Wes-Tex Food Store
Yellow Cab

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By William E. McKenney
America's Card Authority

I recently watched Waldemar von Zedtwitz and Charles Van Vleck play a few hands, using the Van Vleck system, with which they combine the Blackwood convention. In the Van Vleck system, only aces and kings are counted at high cards. An opening bid of one requires three high cards, one of which is an ace, or four high cards (kings). On the hand shown, Van Vleck had shaded his bid of one spade. Von Zedtwitz' bid of one no trump showed three high cards. When

Von Zedtwitz	None	AKQ3
None	AQ85	942
None	A63	J9872
None	AQ8543	K10

♠ J1086	W	♠ KQ3
5	N	942
♥ 3	E	J9872
♦ KQ104	S	K10
♣ J62	Dealer	

Van Vleck
 ♠ AQ742
 ♥ KJ1076
 ♦ 97
 ♣ 5

Duplicate—None vul.
 South West North East
 1 ♠ Pass 1 N.T. Pass
 2 ♥ Pass 4 N.T. Pass
 5 ♠ Pass 7 ♥ Pass

Opening—♦ K. 19

Van Vleck bid hearts, Von Zedtwitz knew he held five spades and five hearts, and four no trump asked his partner to show aces.

Van Vleck felt that he had stretched his hand in opening the bidding with one spade, and now, wanting to put the brakes on the bidding, he bid five clubs, denying an ace. That was exactly what Von Zedtwitz wanted to hear—that South held four kings and no ace. You can see that with four kings and a five-card heart suit, Von Zedtwitz' hand is cold for seven hearts. If Van Vleck had bid five diamonds showing an ace, Von Zedtwitz would have stopped at six hearts, realizing that he could be off one of the kings, as he was.

Moral—When using a convention, be honest with your partner!

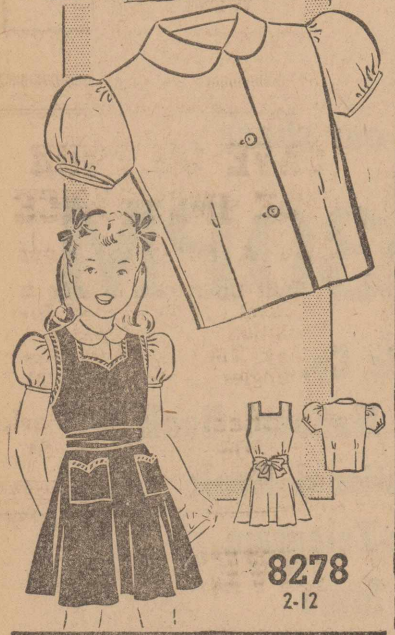
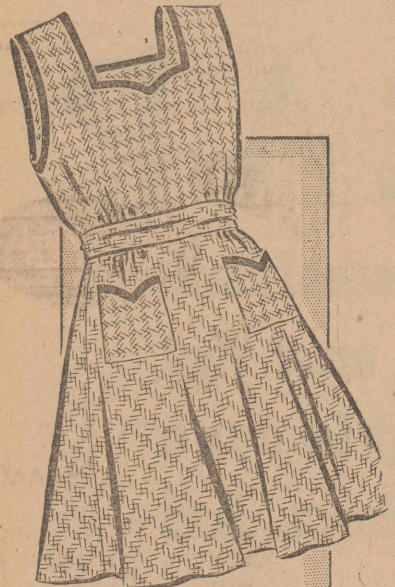
Malodorization Of Gas Sought For Safety's Sake

AUSTIN, (P)—The State Railroad Commission will try again to write an order requiring the malodorization of natural gas in distributing systems as a safety measure.

After the Supreme Court's invalidation of an existing order to this effect—because it was vague—Commission Chairman Ernest G. Thompson said the agency would write a new one following a public hearing.

The word "Easter" is derived from the name of the Saxon goddess Eastre, whose festival was in April.

Blouse And Jumper



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Here's a juvenile jumper outfit which has extra prettiness—in the soft, curving lines of the jumper and in the round Peter Pan collar and short puffed sleeves of the blouse. Any little girl will look "nice as pie" in it—yet it is very practical and can be made at next to nothing cost.

Pattern No. 8278 is in sizes 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12 years. Size 4 jumper requires 1 5/8 yards 36 or 39-inch material, blouse 1 1/8 yards.

For this attractive pattern, send 15c in coin; your name, address, pattern number and size to The Reporter-Telegram Today's Pattern Service, 211 W Wacker Drive, Chicago.

Find scores of interesting patterns for all ages and all sizes in the Fall Fashion Book, our complete catalogue of latest styles for home dress-making. Send for your copy today, 15c. Or a Fall Fashion Book may be ordered with a 15c pattern for 25c plus 1c for postage.

Leaves Piggy Bank—Gains A Few Coins

ATLANTA, (P)—An Atlanta woman, riding home on a bus, suddenly realized she had left a "piggy" bank at the postoffice while mailing letters. She hurried back to the postoffice, found the bank on the counter, and then noticed it was heavy.

Between the time she'd left the postoffice and returned, generous Atlantans, thinking it was there for aiding some worthy cause, had put many coins in it.

Here's One Way To Beat Lumber Shortage

PLAINVIEW, Tex. (P)—Several plainmen are beating the lumber shortage by building chicken houses with bales of damaged hay as walls, posts support the roof. A retired carpenter set door frames and windows in his hay house.

Booster Pump Motors For Wartime Oil Line

SCHENECTADY, N. Y. (P)—General Electric Company has announced it has shipped, five weeks ahead of schedule, the first two of fifteen 1,500 horsepower motors which will help pump fuel oil through a war emergency line from Longview, Tex., to Norris City, Ill. The motors will be used to drive pumps at booster stations along the line.

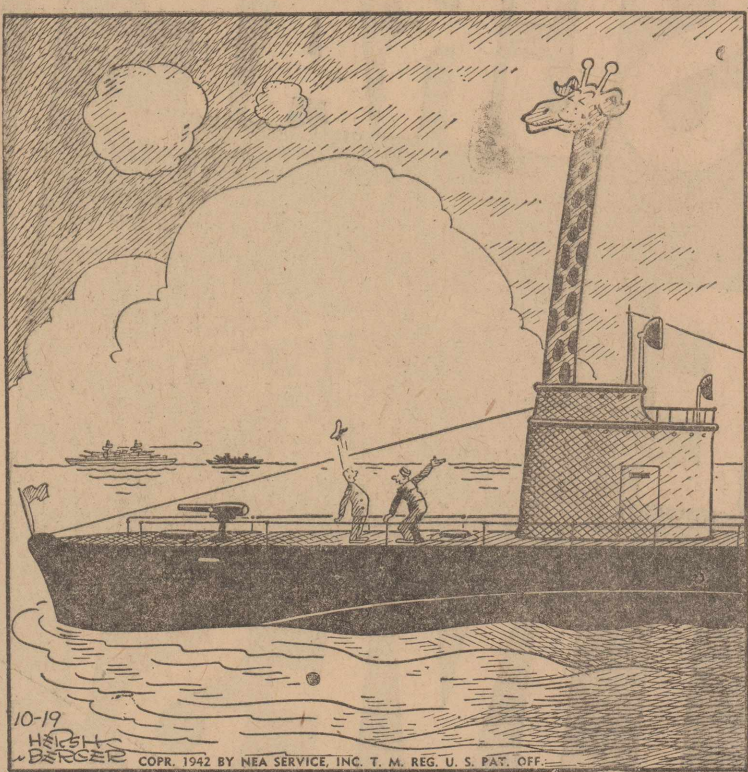
Soldier Still Looking For That Certain Blonde

NEW YORK, (P)—The President of Queens is out looking for a big blonde—but don't get the wrong idea.

He's doing it for a soldier. James Burke, the borough's chief executive, said the soldier asked him in a letter to locate a girl he had met in a Queens ballroom and then lost in the subway.

He said she was blonde, six feet tall in high heels and—charming.

FUNNY BUSINESS



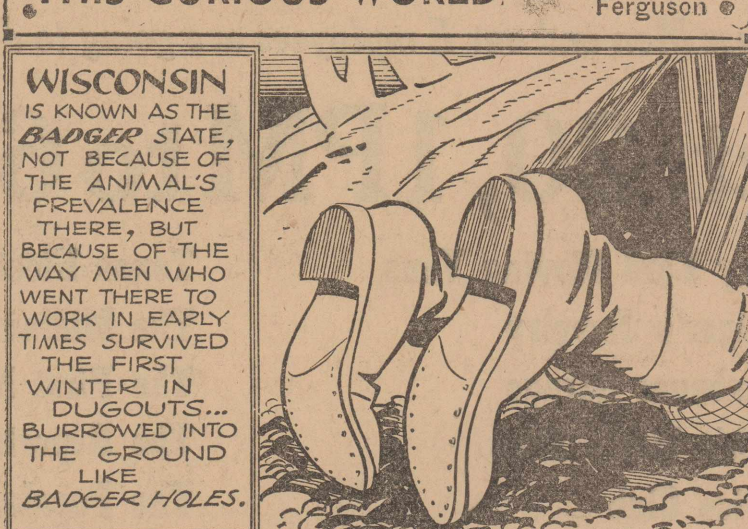
"My new camouflage periscope, sir—when we submerge the enemy will think it's a giraffe taking a bath!"

SIDE GLANCES

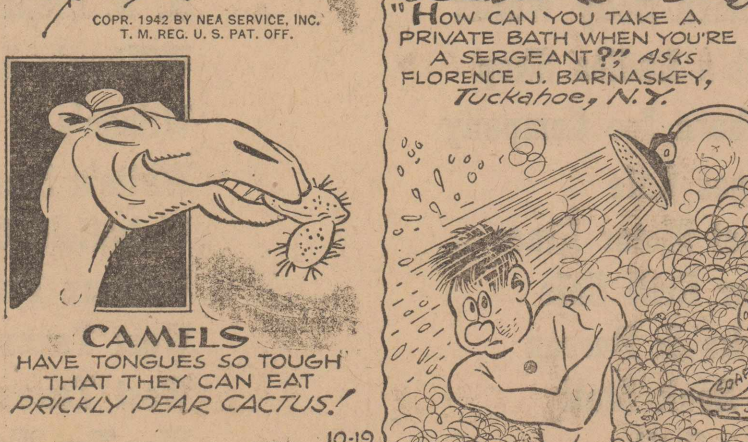


"I've been saving up for a coat like that for years and now I've got just enough to buy it—but with the war and everything I wonder if the neighbors would talk."

THIS CURIOUS WORLD



WISCONSIN IS KNOWN AS THE BADGER STATE, NOT BECAUSE OF THE ANIMAL'S PREVALENCE THERE, BUT BECAUSE OF THE WAY MEN WHO WENT THERE TO WORK IN EARLY TIMES SURVIVED THE FIRST WINTER IN DUGOUTS... BURROWED INTO THE GROUND LIKE BADGER HOLES.



CAMELS HAVE TONGUES SO TOUGH THAT THEY CAN EAT PRICKLY PEAR CACTUS!

NEXT: Japanese insects.

Our Boarding House with Major Hoople



YOU REMEMBER MY FRIEND, MAJOR! MIDGET, WHO PLAYED FULLBACK FOR OLD CASABA U.!

BUSTER INVITED ME OVER FOR DINING ROOM SCRIMMAGE!

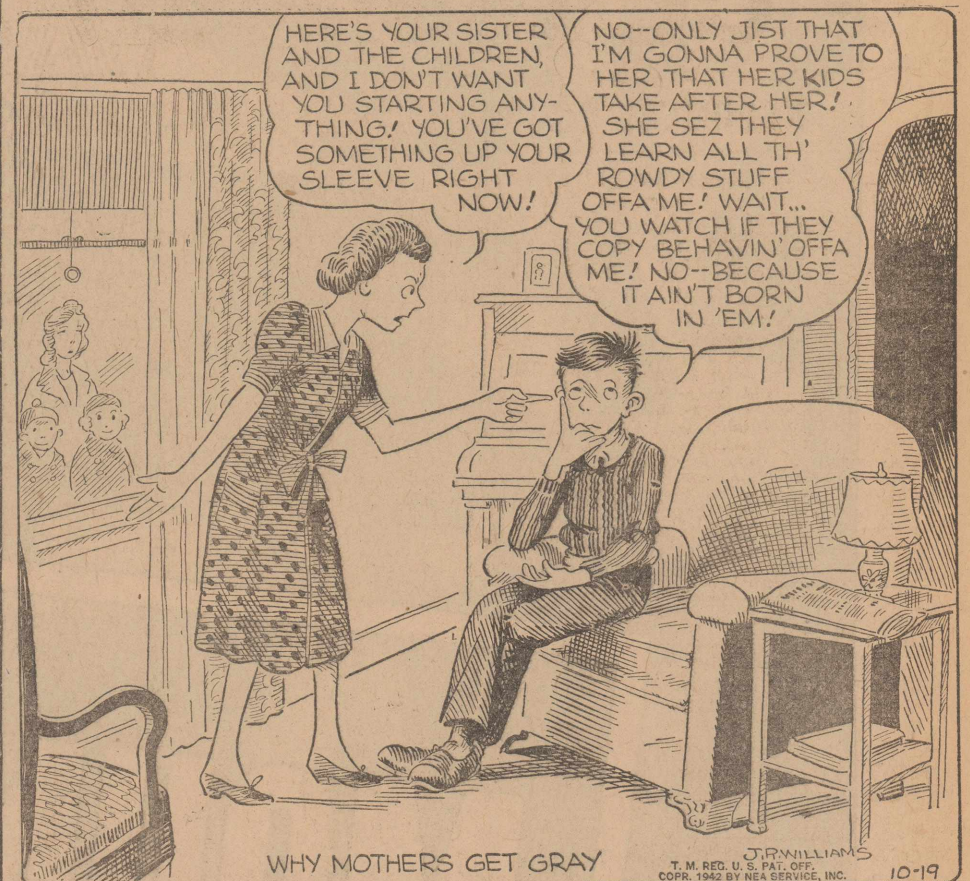
EGAD, MIDGET! GLAD TO GREET YOU AGAIN! RECALL WHEN YOU WERE LAST HERE? I WAS INTERRUPTED WHILE RELATING HOW I STOPPED JIM THORPE, OR WAS IT WILLIE HESTON?—HM!

A FUMBLE AT THE TABLE WILL BE FATAL TONIGHT, CLYDE, WITH THAT TRIPLE-THREATNER READY TO FALL ON THE BEANS!

MUST BE WORLD'S LARGEST MIDGET!

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Out Our Way



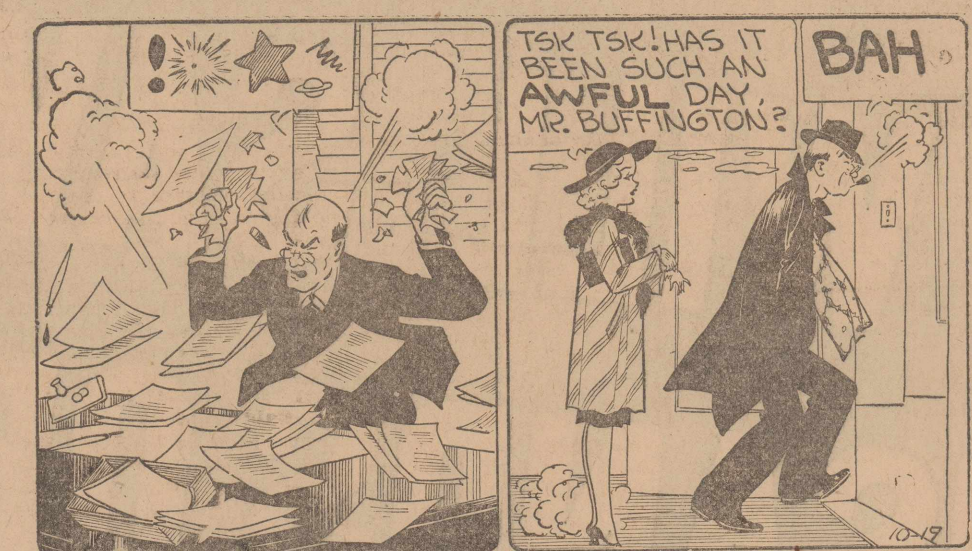
HERE'S YOUR SISTER AND THE CHILDREN, AND I DON'T WANT YOU STARTING ANYTHING! YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING UP YOUR SLEEVE RIGHT NOW!

NO—ONLY JUST THAT I'M GONNA PROVE TO HER THAT HER KIDS TAKE AFTER HER! SHE SEZ THEY' LEARN ALL TH' ROWDY STUFF OFFA ME! YOU WATCH IF THEY COPY BEHAVIN' OFFA ME! NO—BECAUSE IT AIN'T BORN IN 'EM!

WHY MOTHERS GET GRAY

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Boots And Her Buddies



TSK TSK! HAS IT BEEN SUCH AN AWFUL DAY, MR. BUFFINGTON?

BAH!

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By Edgar Martin

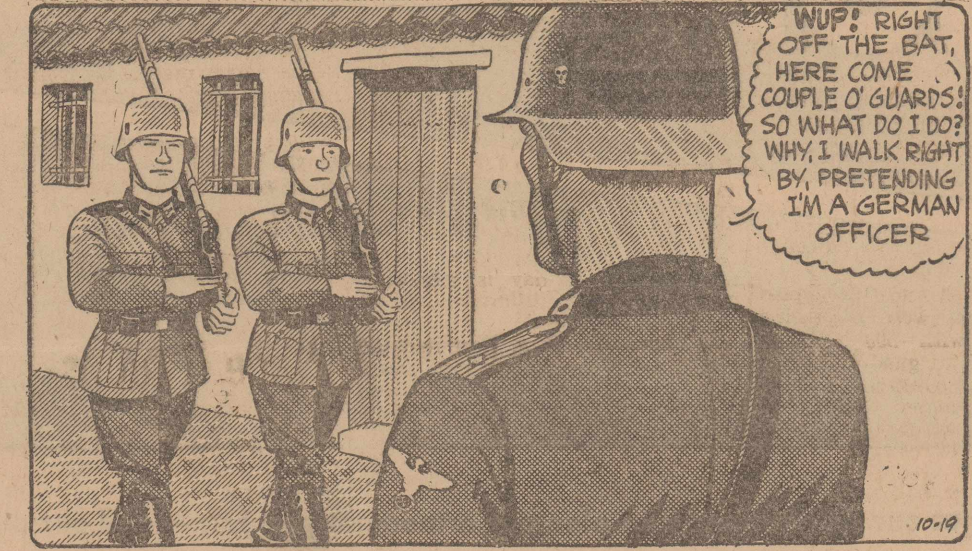


THE TROUBLE WITH TOO MANY PEOPLE, CONFOUND IT, IS THAT THEY STILL DON'T KNOW THERE'S A WAR GOING ON!

WHAT GRIPES ME IS I KNOW I COULD DO SO MUCH MORE IF EVERYONE WOULD JUST PULL WITH ME, SHUT UP AND KEEP OUT OF MY WAY

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Wash Tubbs



WUP! RIGHT OFF THE BAT, HERE COME COUPLE O' GUARDS! SO WHAT DO I DO? WHY, I WALK RIGHT BY, PRETENDING I'M A GERMAN OFFICER

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By Roy Cran



AND I RETURN MY BEST INTERPRETATION OF WHAT A GERMAN SALLUTE IS LIKE

AH, HA! GOT AWAY WITH IT, TOO! AND HERE'S MY TOMMY GUN, SAFE AND SOUND, CAN'T EXPECT THIS LUCK TO LAST...EVERYTHING'S TOO SMOOTH AND EASY.

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Alley Oop



THINGS AREN'T "RIGHT" IN PREHISTORIC MOO, BUT GENERAL OOP HAS TAKEN OVER

COME ON, FOLKS! OOP'S STRATEGY WORKED SWELL! NOW LET'S GET OVER TH' BORDER BEFORE EENY'S MOB DISCOVERS THEIR MISTAKE!

I CAN'T UNDERSTAND OOP LEAVIN' A TRAIL SO EASY TO FOLLOW

ME NEITHER. IT'S TOO EASY, SOME-THIN'S ROTTEN IN MOO!

HA! WE SURE DECEYED EENY'S FORCES AWAY FROM OUR MAIN BODY! BUT NOW WE GOTTA STEP ON IT TO SAVE OUR OWN HIDES!

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By V. T. Hamlin



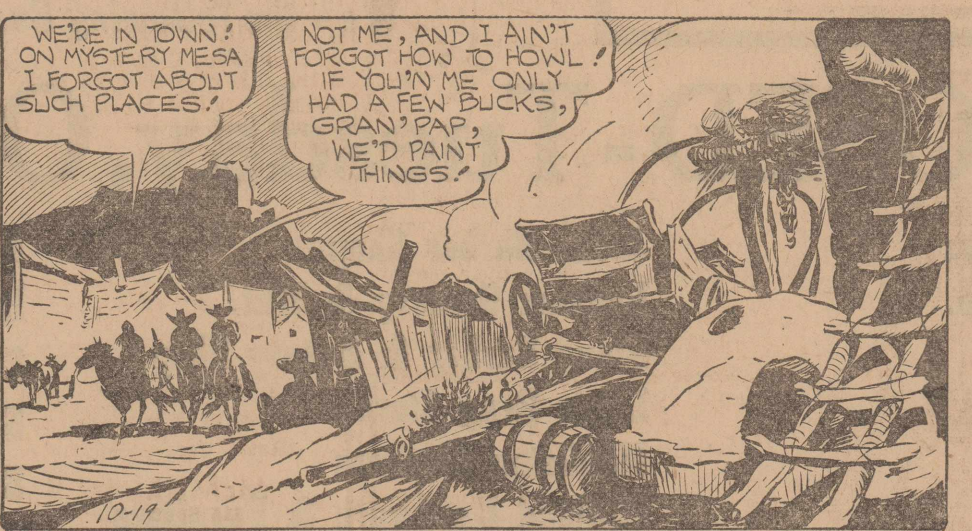
YEH, GENERAL, BUT NOW THAT WE GOT 'EM HOT ON OUR TRACKS, HOW WE GONNA DO IT?

YOU'LL FIND OUT! AH...THIS IS TH' PLACE!

AWRIGHT NOW YOU GUYS... LOAD UP WITH AS MANY OF THESE STRETCHY VINES AS YOU CAN TOTE. THEY'RE THE ANSWER TO OUR PROBLEM!

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Red Ryder



WE'RE IN TOWN! ON MYSTERY PESA I FORGOT ABOUT SUCH PLACES!

NOT ME, AND I AIN'T FORGOT HOW TO HOWL! IF YOU'N ME ONLY HAD A FEW BUCKS, GRAN' PAPA, WE'D PAINT THINGS!

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By Fred Harman



WAIT, RED! I WASN'T ASKIN' FOR MONEY! I—U—WELL, IF YOU CAN SPARE IT!

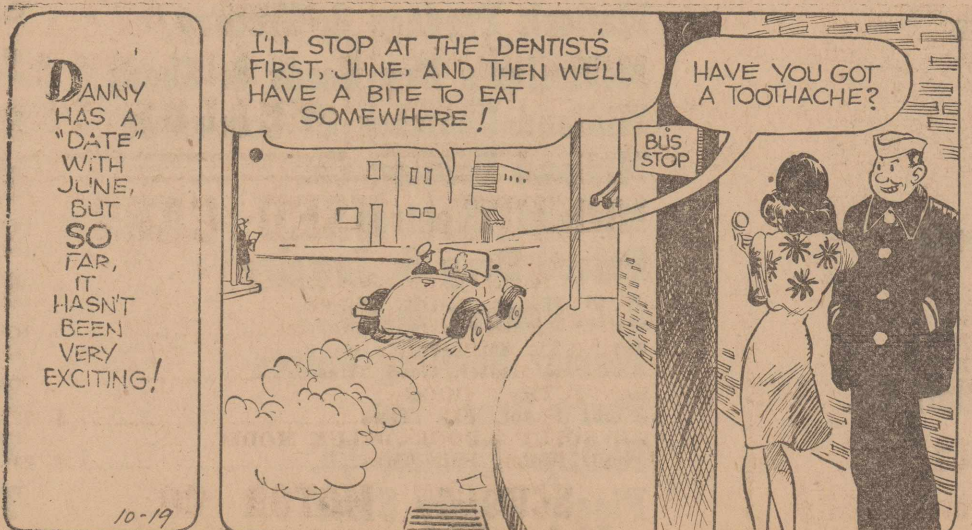
SURE, PATCHY! THIS WON'T BUY A HEADACHE, BUT IT WILL BE A DOWN PAYMENT!

ME BETCHUM WE BROKE NOW, RED RYDER!

JUST BENT A SILVER BUCK LEFT UM...

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Freckler And His Friends



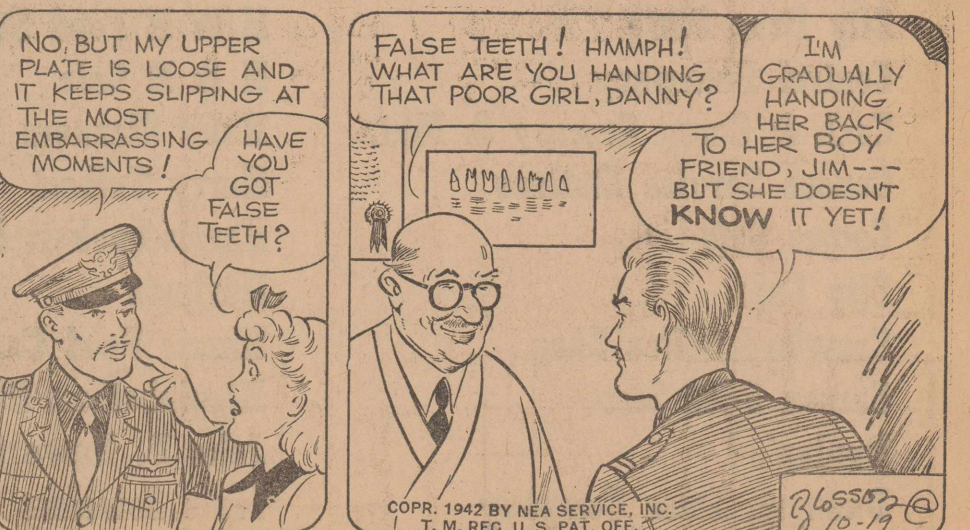
DANNY HAS A "DATE" WITH JUNE, BUT SO FAR, IT HASN'T BEEN VERY EXCITING!

I'LL STOP AT THE DENTIST'S FIRST, JUNE, AND THEN WE'LL HAVE A BITE TO EAT SOMEWHERE!

HAVE YOU GOT A TOOTHACHE?

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By Merrill Blosser



NO, BUT MY UPPER PLATE IS LOOSE AND IT KEEPS SLIPPING AT THE MOST EMBARRASSING MOMENTS!

HAVE YOU GOT FALSE TEETH?

FALSE TEETH! HMMPH! WHAT ARE YOU HANDING THAT POOR GIRL, DANNY?

I'M GRADUALLY HANDING HER BACK TO HER BOY FRIEND, JIM— BUT SHE DON'T KNOW IT YET!

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