

WOMEN WON'T TALK

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INQUEST CHAPTER XII

I DIDN'T sleep much that night because of something that occurred to me after I went upstairs to bed.

I remembered about the gun. The first summer after Michael's death Walter had been nervous about Margaret and me staying alone in the big house at night, and he had insisted that I have a revolver for protection. But I had been more afraid of the gun than I had of prowlers, so I put it far back in one of the drawers of my writing desk.

I started toward the desk by the windows, before I realized that the gun wouldn't be there. It was in my own room—the turquoise room.

So I got into bed and turned off the light. But remembering about the gun had started the whole hideous evening revolving in my mind—my walk to Mattison's cottage, my scare in the woods (how far away and unreal that seemed now), Shaw badgering Connie into a terrified confession by showing her the heel she had lost in the ravine and the note from Derek.

Suddenly I sat straight up in bed. What a blind fool I had been. That note—it hadn't been sent to Connie at all!

That's how it happened that I lay awake until the black velvet squares of the windows turned gray and the birds began to cheep boldly with the brightening day. I fell asleep then from sheer exhaustion, and it was broad daylight when I awoke.

I got up and slipped on a brilliant Chinese robe, a favorite of mine with its wide sleeves lined with scarlet silk, and went down the hall to the turquoise room—Connie's for the time being. The door was ajar and the room was empty. I went over to the desk and pulled open all the drawers and searched it thoroughly. The gun wasn't there!

DEREK'S funeral was set for that afternoon, and just after breakfast Shaw phoned saying that the coroner's inquest was to be held at 10:30 that morning in Middleton, and that Connie and I would have to be there. So I turned the final arrangements for the funeral over to Walter and he took the roadster and drove into Liston to the undertaker's. John drove Connie and me to Middleton in the big car, and Kathy went along for moral support.

Connie and I were called as the first witnesses. We were sworn in and had to tell exactly how and where we found Derek's body. There were no cross-questions. It wasn't much of an ordeal.

Then Chief Deputy Shaw took the stand. He began with my telephone call to the sheriff's office, gave the time the call came in, proceeded briskly to tell of his arrival at Kraiktower, his inspection of the body, and ended with a brief summation of our statements to him which fixed the probable time of the crime.

Next he produced some photographs of the body and the cave and showed them to the coroner. Also the bullet which had been taken from Derek's body! Shaw said it was a bullet from a .38 but that the run from which it had been fired had not yet been found.

The coroner then asked him if that was all, and he said it was. I know I gasped. He hadn't mentioned the heel from Connie's slipper that had been found under Derek's body, or the note from Derek. The autopsy surgeon was the next witness called. He described the bullet wound in technical terms which simmered down to the fact that one bullet had been fired into Derek's chest and had pierced his heart. Death, he said, had been instantaneous.

The doctor's closing statement carried me back to that moment in the ravine when I had knelt beside Derek's body and felt his

warm cheek and wondered at the surprised look on his dead face. Death had not only been quick, I thought, it had been unexpected. It had come from the hand of someone in whom he had never suspected danger. Black horror again rolled over my mind.

I got a grip on myself and tried to fasten my attention on the present proceedings in that dusty, ill-ventilated court house ante-room. The coroner was calling for Margaret Grady to take the stand.

Deputy Shaw got to his feet again. He explained that he hadn't served Mrs. Grady, the grandmother of the dead man, with a summons to appear, because she was in a state of collapse. The coroner and the sheriff and the assistant prosecutor conferred, and then the coroner said that the inquest would be adjourned until such time as Margaret Grady could be present to answer questions.

DEREK'S father and step-mother had arrived when we got home. They were up in Margaret's room. I went up to see them.

Will Grady is still a handsome man despite his grizzled hair. Derek got his looks from him. Will rose to his feet and shook hands with me and introduced me to his wife. She was big, blond, flashy. And her eyes were set too close together. She murmured a conventional acknowledgment, and her eyes went over me jealously from patent pumps to Revlon nail polish, not missing the suit by Schiaparelli or the diamond rings. Without lifting a finger I had made an enemy.

I asked Will if he and his wife would like to stay a day or two with Margaret. I said we could put them up in the tower.

"Thank ye, Mrs. Kraik," Will said.

His wife sniffed. A born troublemaker if ever I saw one.

(To Be Continued)

Attacked Attu



(U. S. Navy Photo From NEA) Commander of the naval force that transported American troops to Attu and covered their landing was Rear Admiral Francis W. Rockwell, chief of the Pacific fleet's amphibious forces.

Farmers May Renew 'A' Cards By Mail

LUBBOCK—West Texas farmers and others living at a distance from their local War Price and Rationing Boards may renew their "A" gasoline coupon books by mail, the District OPA office at Lubbock has pointed out, in an effort to save gasoline and prevent loss of hours from work. This plan will go into effect on June 22 and after that time both motorists and bicyclists should begin picking up their ap-

plication forms. Local boards will publicize the names of filling stations at which the forms can be secured, the OPA said.

Because "A" rations expire on July 21, applications should start coming in immediately after June 22 to give the boards time to process them and mail them back before expiration date. This mail renewal plan also includes renewal of the basic "D" motorcycle rations

EAST TEXAS OPERATORS TO MEET IN AUSTIN

KILGORE—(P)—East Texas oil operators will meet in Austin Thursday to consider shutting down marginal wells producing a large volume of salt water and transferring their allowances to fairway wells as a means of cutting down water encroachment.

and eliminates the school-house registration that was necessary when basic rations were issued, the OPA said.

Dawson County Honors Flying Fortress Hero

LAMESA—(P)—Dawson County turned out Tuesday for a bond-buying celebration in honor of its hero, Capt. Robert H. Smith of Lamesa.

The captain observes his 23rd birthday anniversary Tuesday. He is in England where his Flying Fortress crew recently was credited with shooting down 11 German planes—a new record.

Mandatory Freight Rate Parity Bills Endorsed By C. Of C.

Directors of the Midland Chamber of Commerce, at their regular meeting Monday night, adopted a resolution endorsing proposed legislation before Congress to make freight rate parity mandatory throughout the nation.

A letter from M. C. Ulmer, president of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, asserted the proposed legislation now needs public support and directors of the organization were urged to communicate with Texas congressmen.

Ulmer's letter pointed out that "Texas is the greatest penalized state in the union."

The director's also authorized the organization to pay Midland's pro rata part of the cost of an appropriate trophy for the All-American Bombardier Olympics.

Discussion of the city's proposed recreation project was postponed as plans were not ready for announcement.

Routine committee reports were received and approved.

Paul McHargue, president, presided at the meeting.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE ...with MAJOR HOOPLE OUT OUR WAY



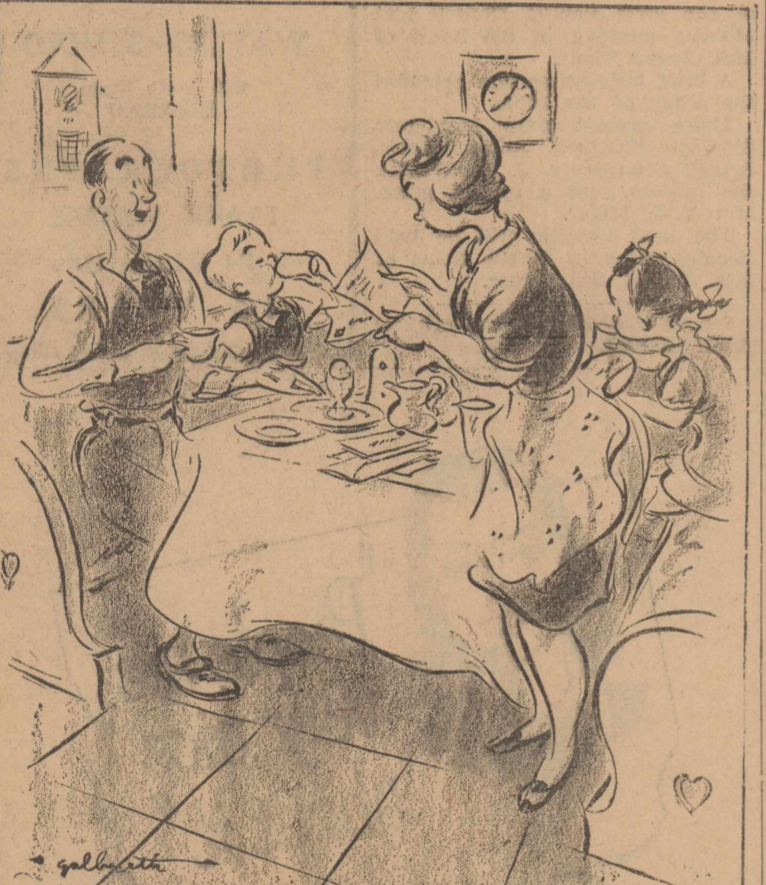
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McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By William E. McKenney
America's Card Authority

Do you remember the bidding after you start to play a hand? More than half of the players don't, and that is why they often misplay a hand. Let's look at the bidding of today's hand.

Over North's double of one diamond, East bid one heart. That is about all you have to remember on this hand.

In the play, West opened the king of hearts in response to his partner's heart bid. As I have often said, before you play to the first trick, study the hand carefully and plan your line of play. In this hand you can see that the declarer must lose at least one spade trick, a heart trick, and the

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♥ K3	♦ 98763	♣ 983	
♠ AKQ52	♥ 76	♦ 983	

Dealer

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♠ J1092	♥ 1092	♦ 1092	♣ 10

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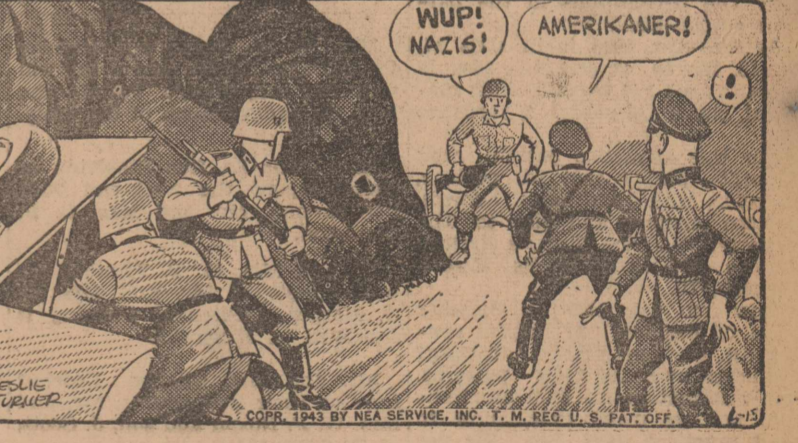
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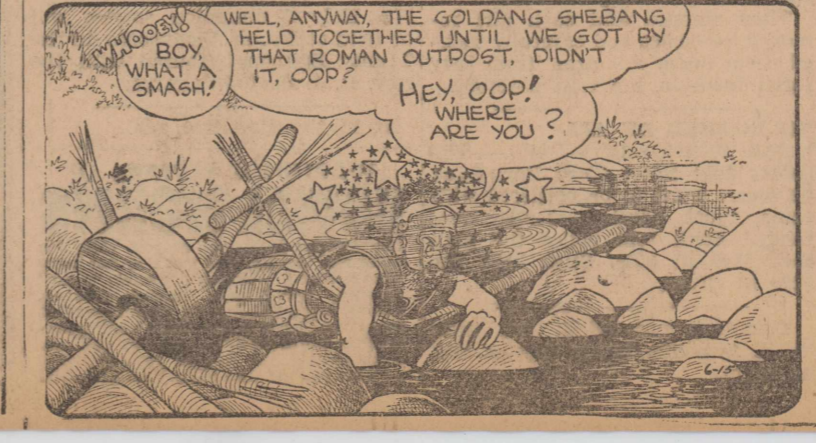
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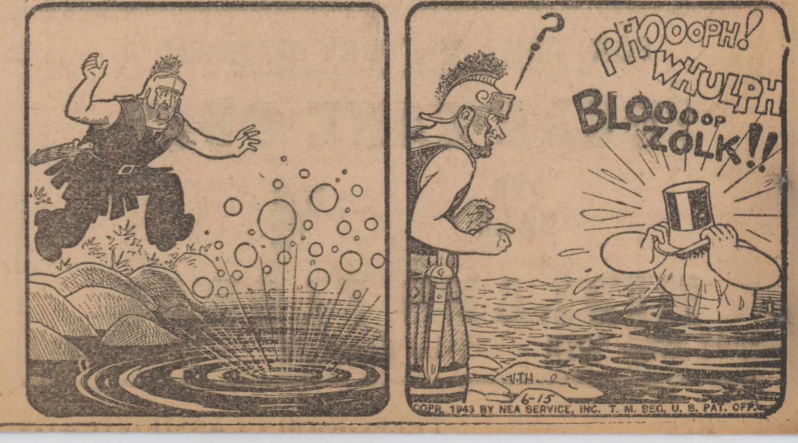
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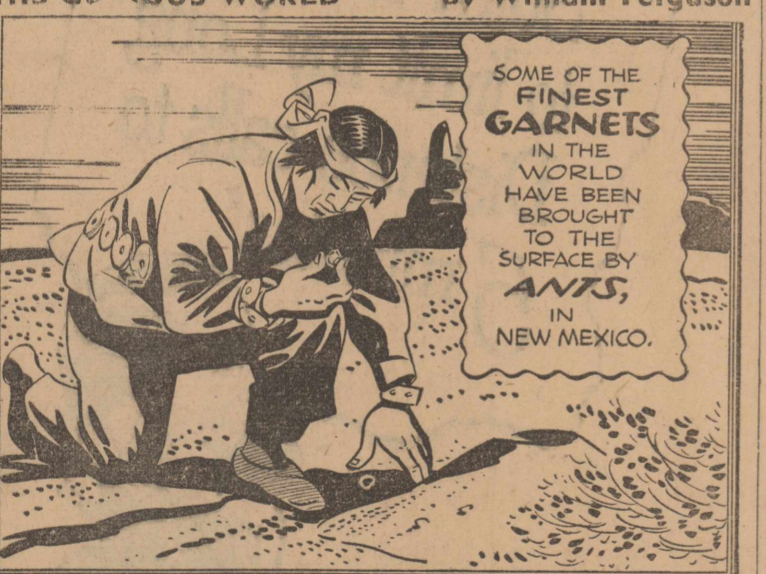
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THIS CURIOUS WORLD



DIVE BOMBING
 WAS INVENTED BY THE UNITED STATES NAVY IN THE EARLY NINETEEN TWENTIES.

KWIKOPER
 This chain of islands, south of the strait of Magellan was discovered by Magellan in 1520, and its name, which translates into English, means 'LAND OF FIRE' because of the three burning volcanoes on the island.

WHERE'S ELMER?
 ANSWER: Tierra del Fuego, a chain of islands at the extreme southern tip of South America.

Mexican Bus Workers Plan 'Token' Strikes

MEXICO CITY—(P)—The National Federation of Bus Cooperatives set next Thursday as the date to start a series of "token" strikes to call attention to alleged widespread black market activity in tires.

The federation announced Monday that the strikes, affecting 8,600 buses, including those on a line between Mexico City and Laredo, Texas, will last 24 hours and will be repeated "until the situation is improved."

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"Looks as if we must have scared him!"

Brisk Trading In Major Leagues Is Expected Tuesday

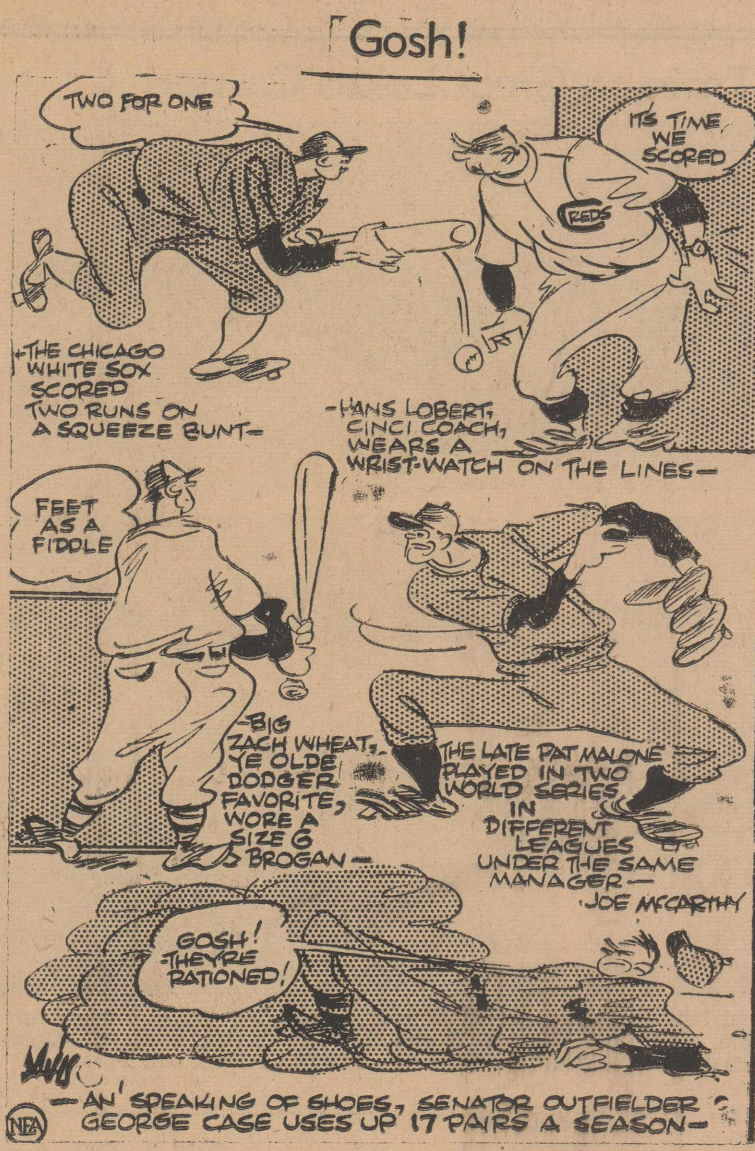
By Judson Bailey Associated Press Sports Writer Tuesday is the deadline for making trades in the major leagues without running the baseball gauntlet known as getting waivers. Up until now running a gauntlet has been about as easy as making a deal in the big leagues, but the David Harums of the diamond made a couple of restless moves Monday that indicated they haven't overlooked the date on their calendar and may do some important business Tuesday.

Medwick On Block The Brooklyn Dodgers have been trying to peddle Joe Medwick for several weeks without getting any satisfactory offers, but if Branch Rickey has made up his mind to turn loose the one-time great slugger of the National League, this is the day he might do it. The club that would be most likely to take him would be the New York Giants, floundering in seventh place and desperately in need of reinforcements. The Giants not only need strength on the field, but they need to convince their fans that the management is trying to get talent and this situation might foster a Medwick deal.

Pitcher Recalled With Barna gone the Giants have only three outfielders and Sid Gordon, a combination infielder-outfielder.

The Giants also recalled two pitchers, Hugh Fast and Rube Fischer from their Jersey City farm club in the International League, replacing them with Ken Trinkle and Bob Coombs. Another deal made Monday was the purchase of Infielder Don Heffner from the St. Louis Browns by the Philadelphia Athletics. He will be used as a utility man.

Yanks Beat Selons The New York Yankees whipped the Washington Senators 4-1 with the help of errors by the Senators and six-hit pitching by Spud Chandler, who acquired his seventh victory against one defeat. The triumph increased New York's lead over Washington to three games. In the National League world champion St. Louis Cardinals checked the Cincinnati Reds 5-3 with the Cooper Brothers, Mort and Walker, playing principal roles. Mort pitched eight-hit ball to gain his eighth victory against three defeats and brother Walker, the catching member of the family, supplied the punch. He hit a triple with the bases loaded in the sixth inning. The Boston Braves beat the Brooklyn Dodgers 4-3 in a twilight tussle to take their five-game series 3 to 2. Each game was decided by one run. Connie Ryan, making three hits, led the Braves' attack. The defeat dropped the Dodgers two games back of the Cardinals.



The Reporter-Telegram SPORTS

Dallas Church Shares In Profits Of Bangtails Owned By Used Car Dealer

DALLAS — (P) — Church and state both profit when one of Charlie Williamson's horses wins a race—which has been quite frequent of late. Williamson is the Dallas used car dealer who invested in a string of bangtails and found he had come up with the leading three-year-old winner in the United States.

And each time the filly or any other horse from the Williamson string gallops in with a purse, \$50 goes to the Rose Hill Baptist Church of Dallas for its building fund and the rest of the money is invested in war bonds. "I'm making money out of the racing game," Williamson said, "and I'll tell you why: I don't bet on the horses, even by own."

Other Williamson horses are Hard Lu, Miss Militant, Duty First and Gold Mike, all trained by C. C. Kranz.

Rockies Schools Plan Grid Teams Despite Losses

(This is the latest of a series dealing with the prospects for college football in the various parts of the country.) By Roy Roberts DENVER — (P) — By dint of eager freshmen, naval students and left-over equipment, there'll be college football in the Rockies in the fall — if it doesn't interfere with prosecution of the war.

Utah State—We'll be represented. Brigham Young—Not sure; probably could whip up a team of 1943 high school graduates. Wyoming—If the Army changes its mind and lets soldier-students play, yes. Colorado State—Same as Wyoming.

Just Be Calm Coach E. L. (Dick) Romney, dean of Mountain grid mentors, is getting ready for his 25th season at Utah State on this premise: "We believe in football and furthermore we believe that it is as worthwhile to play it during war times as during times of peace, unless it interferes with the war effort."

Deaver Lost All Independent Deaver lost all of his 1942 players and its coach, Ellison Ketchum, but cheery Dean A. C. Nelson detects a "big interest" in football among the prospective freshmen.

Greenberg Is Strong Favorite In Net Meet

DETROIT — (P) — Safely past the first round and evidently on his game, steady Seymour Greenberg of Chicago appeared Tuesday to be an increasingly strong favorite to seize his second successive national clay courts tennis championship, thereby joining the exclusive company of Big Bill Tilden, Betsy Grant and Bobby Riggs. Seeded behind Billy Talbert of Cincinnati, who doesn't see action until Tuesday, Greenberg disposed of golden-haired Bob Kimbrell, 19-year-old University of Southern California junior, in the first round Monday, 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.

Austin Star Assigned To Arkansas College

AUSTIN — (P) — Terrell Allen, Austin High School's all-state center of '42, won't play football for the University of Texas or any other Southwest Conference school this fall.

Whitey Witelmann, Boston Braves shortstop, handled 83 chances flawlessly this season before he made his first error.

Midland - Odessa BUS LINE SCHEDULE. Table with departure and arrival times for the Yucca and Ritz buses. Includes phone number 12:10 Midnight and bus frequency details.

Sports Roundup

By Hugh Fullerton Jr. NEW YORK — (P) — Ned Irish is laying plans for a college basketball season at Madison Square Garden next winter, though he admits it probably won't be basketball as usual. Bucky Harris fined two of his Phillies 50 bucks apiece for missing the bus to an exhibition game at Camp Shanks, N. Y., last week.

Service Dept. So many athletes from Indiana and Dayton universities have landed at Camp Croft, S. C., lately that a program of sports contests between the two groups is being worked out. Billy Hillenbrand and Lou Saban head the Indiana delegation.

Just A Handy Guy Bud Foster, the Wisconsin cage coach, has been entertaining diners-out with this explanation of how Johnny Kotz became such a fine one-handed basketball shot that he topped the Big Ten scoring race in 1942: "Johnny, Foster explains, reported late when he held the sixth grade basketball tryouts at Rhineland, Wis., some years ago. He was given a pair of trunks that were too large for him so he had to shoot with one hand and held up his pants with the other."

THE STANDINGS. American League and National League standings table with columns for team, W, L, Pct.

Bettina Wins From Brooks In A Flash PHILADELPHIA — (P) — Corp. Mello Bettina, who makes no secret of the fact that after the war he'd like to exchange his M. P. armband for the belt of heavyweight champion Joe Louis, had a new reason Tuesday to believe that he can do it—a left hand punch that would level an ox.

L. W. (Bud) Taylor Returns To Midland L. W. (Bud) Taylor, former Midland High School football coach, has returned from Panama where for the last two years he has been in government service. He plans to remain in Midland.

Babe Dahlgren And Vern Stephens Hold On To Batting Leads NEW YORK — (P) — If you're busy checking up on how much income tax you have to rush to the collector, it won't take you much time to check up on the major league's leading hitters.

Hearing On Sunset Motion Continuing ODESSA — (P) — Hearing of Sunset Motor Lines' application for permission to establish through freight service from Dallas to El Paso continued Tuesday with 17 organizations as protesters, including chambers of commerce at Dallas and Fort Worth.

Army Testing New Grasshopper Plane PORT SILL, OKLA. — (P) — The Army grasshopper plane—it hops from pasture to pasture without benefit of runways—may solve the problem of removing wounded quickly from mountainous battlefields.

Hits And Pitching Wins Up Bond Sales NEW YORK — (P) — Every base hit or pitching victory turned in by 37 members of the two New York baseball clubs and the Brooklyn Dodgers from Tuesday until the end of the season will mean more money for Uncle Sam.

World's Laziest Hen GREELEY, Colo. — (P) — Eureka! Folks in the courthouse believe they have discovered the world's laziest hen. She's in a flock that belongs to Mrs. Ben Ervine, who lives nearby. The hens dig worms each morn in the courthouse lawn. All but one of them go home to lay eggs. But this one chick is so lazy she lays the egg in her own nest.

Law of the Wolf RIN TIN TIN JR. Where The Big Pictures Return

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Soldiers of China



With their country's flag proudly flying, a column of Chinese soldiers drills at American training center in India, where they are learning modern fighting methods.

Course For Food Handlers Starts At Health Center

Midland food handlers will be given an opportunity to brush up on the three R's of sanitation during a short course which was started Tuesday at the Midland Health Center. Plans have been completed and all food handlers contacted and a full attendance seems assured. S. E. Burnett, city sanitarian, said.

During this period of extreme emergency when every energy should be bent toward a successful conclusion of the war is no time for food borne distases, Burnett said. For this reason the Midland Health Unit has obtained the services of a public health education consultant to train the food handlers in the basic principles of food sanitation.

The course of lectures, six in number, will cover a period of three weeks. Classes will be held each Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Food handlers who complete the course will receive a registration card certifying that they have been trained in sanitary food-handling methods.

Establishments with 80 per cent or more of their employees trained will receive an attractive wall placard for display. In this manner the public can see for itself which places have trained food handlers, Burnett said. A great deal of expense and effort has been expended on conducting the school in Midland, the sanitarian said, but the effort and expense will be justified only if the owners, managers and employees of restaurants, drug stores, cafes, markets, and other business places attend the classes and put into practice the information taught them.

Ruins Of Once Big City Are Discovered

CAMPECHE, MEXICO — (P) — Descriptions of recently discovered ruins that had been hidden for perhaps more than 1,000 years and which are believed to mark the site of a once flourishing Mayan city were reported by the Campeche State Archeological Museum. The ruins were discovered by farm workers burning off jungle growth for an agricultural settlement near Dzecatu where vestiges of a Mayan settlement had previously been found but not extensively explored.

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