

# JAP NAVAL FORCE DEFEATED

Opposition Is Light —

## U. S. Heavy Bombers Pound Axis Airdromes At Gerbini As British Batter Rail Targets Near Catania

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA —(P)— Flying Fortresses from North Africa and Liberators from the Middle East combined poured hundreds of tons of high explosives and fragmentation bombs on Gerbini airdrome in Southern Sicily Tuesday as the air siege of that vital enemy base roared through its 36th hour.

The all-out effort to knock Gerbini and its four satellite fields from the map appeared nearing terrific damage to administration buildings, hangars, parked aircraft and landing strips from the relentless poundings of the last two days and a night.

**Five Planes Missing**  
At Gerbini Flying Fortress gunners of the Northwest African command destroyed 31 enemy fighters on Monday, and at least one more Axis plane was shot down during Tuesday's double daylight blow.

A Middle East communique said that approximately 50 Liberators participated in Tuesday's smash, dropping more than 285,000 pounds of high explosive and fragmentation bombs on the Gerbini fields covering runways and dispersal areas and leaving large fires burning. One enemy fighter was reported destroyed and two damaged while every Liberator returned safely.

Flying Fortresses from this base struck shortly after dawn. Five planes of the Northwest African force were reported missing from the day's operations, against two enemy aircraft destroyed.

**The Opposition**  
During Monday night RAF Wellingtons hammered at Gerbini, starting five fires, while Biscari and Milo airdromes were assaulted by South African Bostons and Baltimore and British Bostons. The same night heavy British bombers pounded railway installations at Catania, Eastern Sicilian port.

Axis fighter opposition which reached a crescendo Monday, when more than 100 war planes attacked a single formation of 27 Flying Fortresses, dwindled Tuesday to almost nothing, returning pilots reported. The fourth day of the concentrated attack on Sicily's airdromes from here saw the score stand at 110 Axis craft destroyed against an Allied loss of 19.

Veteran observers cautioned against jumping to the conclusion that the Allies have won complete air supremacy over Sicily, but the sudden falling off in enemy fighter interception indicated that the Germans had lost most of their Sicily-based planes and were in need of reinforcements.

## Swimming Pools Here Are Closed To Boys And Girls Under 17

Dr. W. G. Whitehouse, city and county health officer, Wednesday ordered all public and semi-public swimming pools in Midland closed immediately, until further notice, to all persons 16 years of age and younger.

The action was taken in an effort to prevent spread of infantile paralysis to the Midland area. Although a number of cases have been reported in Texas, and larger cities have banned swimming, none has been reported in Midland.

The order of Dr. Whitehouse halts temporarily the swimming programs for boys and girls at Pagoda Pool, which is under lease to the Bombardier School.

It also prohibits the swimming of 16 year olds and younger boys and girls in other public or semi-public pools of the city.

Pools in Odessa also are being closed. Two cases of infantile paralysis were reported there during June.

## Giraud To Visit At White House

WASHINGTON —(P)— General Henri Giraud, commander of French forces in North Africa and co-chairman of the French Committee for National Liberation, will arrive at the White House late Wednesday for a conference with President Roosevelt.

The White House announced that Giraud and all the members of his staff accompanying him would see Mr. Roosevelt at 3:30 p. m. C. W. T. Afterward, Giraud and his principal aide and the President and Admiral William D. Leahy, personal chief of staff to Mr. Roosevelt, will have tea at the White House.

The White House twice has emphasized the military nature of the Giraud trip to Washington and has said its purpose is to discussing the conduct of the war with the Axis and consultation with the combined Anglo-American chiefs of staff here.

# Nazis Make Gains

Feuder



A proposed investigation of Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones' dispute with Vice President Henry A. Wallace was pigeonholed by the House rules committee Tuesday night. Jones has countered Wallace's charge of inefficiency in the RFC with charges that the Board of Economic Warfare, headed by the vice president, was the inefficient agency.

## Retailers Push War Stamp Sales

War Stamps are leading the way in retail sales here this week as Midland retailers push the sale of the stamps in order to reach the quota of \$12,000 during July.

The campaign here is part of a nation-wide drive to sell \$150,000,000 worth of War Stamps which to purchase a new aircraft carrier, The Shangri-La.

The July War Stamp quotas are in addition to regular War Bond quotas for the month.

Several Midland retailers reported record sales so far this month. Many stores have arranged attractive War Stamp booths with special clerks on duty to sell stamps.

Customers are being urged to "take their change in War Stamps" and to "fill their stamp albums."

The Shangri-La will be used to bomb Tokyo again and to avenge the cruel deaths of captured American aviators at the hands of Japs.

The campaign here is sponsored by the Retailers for Victory committee of the Midland Chamber of Commerce.

## Typographical Union Members Go On Strike

PROVIDENCE, R. I. —(P)— Members of the Providence Typographical Union No. 33 went on strike Wednesday in a contract dispute at the Providence Journal Company plant and a picket line was established at the building, a union spokesman said.

The company announced earlier this week, that in the event of a strike, publication of The Providence Journal, the evening Bulletin and The Sunday Journal would be suspended pending settlement.

**WEATHER**  
Little temperature change.

## German Army Pays Terrific Tolls In Drives Against Russian Lines

MOSCOW —(P)—The German army has paid a terrific toll in tanks and manpower as the price for "insignificant gains" achieved in two days of bitter fighting in the 1943 Summer offensive on the Orel-Kursk-Belgorod front, the Russians said Wednesday.

Acknowledging the loss of two unidentified towns near Belgorod at the southernmost end of the revitalized 165-mile front, the Red Army announced Tuesday night that in two days its artillery had smashed 1,271 enemy tanks and shot down 314 planes while the German loss in dead exceeded 10,000.

The Russians counted the German loss in tanks at 586 for the first day's fighting. The midday communique Tuesday boosted the figure by 162 and Tuesday

night the Soviet information bureau added another 423 in a special communique.

**110 Tanks Destroyed**  
The regular midday communique later listed 110 German tanks destroyed, in the Orel-Kursk sector.

Advices from the front indicated the German high command was sending wave after wave of armored units and infantry against the strongly defended Soviet positions, making no appreciable headway.

(The Soviet monitor in London reported that the customary Russian midday communique was not broadcast Wednesday. The Exchange-Telegram in London said the Moscow radio had announced that the midday communique would no longer be broadcast, but there was no immediate explanation.)

The attacks all along the front were strongly supported by the German air force and the Russians said they believed large forces of German planes had been shifted from Western Europe bases for the drive.

The Russian midday communique reported the destruction of 11 German planes and said 23 pilots had been captured. One of the prisoners was said to have told Red Army officers that he was a member of the seventh detachment of the first squadron of dive bombers and had been based in Yugoslavia prior to the start of the new German offensive.

The Russians said that despite heavy reinforcements to the German air forces the enemy had failed to achieve air superiority and that in one sector alone 45 planes were downed.

Front line dispatches said the Germans were striking again and again in an effort to find weak points.

**Funeral Services For John H. Edwards Are Held Here Wednesday**  
Funeral services for John H. Edwards, 60, prominent Midland rancher, were held Wednesday afternoon at the Ellis Funeral Home with the Rev. Carl Clement, pastor of the First Methodist Church, officiating.

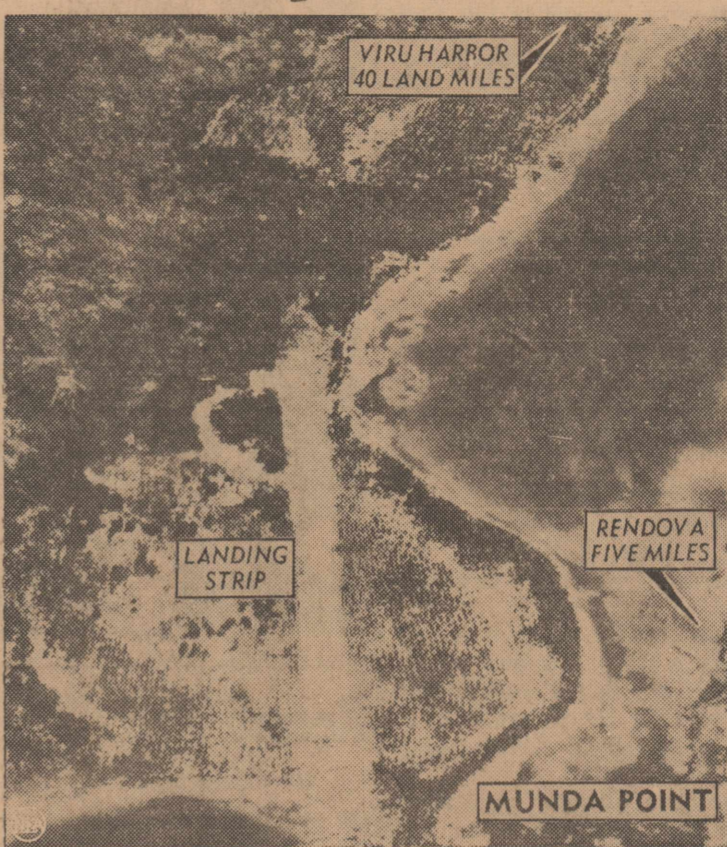
Interment was in Fairview Cemetery. Edwards, who in recent years had spent most of his time on his ranch near Monahans, had been in ill health several months. He died in a Dallas hospital.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Mamie Edwards; two sons, Jack and C. W. Edwards of Monahans; a daughter, Mrs. J. C. Ratliff of Midland; a brother, Wesley Edwards of Midland, and a sister, Mrs. J. F. Gilmore of Portland, Ore.

**Dempsey Is Awarded Decree Of Divorce**  
WHITE PLAINS, N. Y. —(P)— LA. C. O. m. d. r. William Harrison Dempsey, U. S. Coast Guard Reserve, the former world's heavyweight boxing champion, was awarded an interlocutory decree of divorce Wednesday from Hannah Williams Dempsey, former musical comedy actress.

Official Referee J. Addison Young of the Supreme Court, who heard the case last month, ruled that Dempsey's charge of his wife's infidelity in Los Angeles on Nov. 22, 1942, "was proven beyond doubt."

Target: Munda



This is the Jap airdrome at Munda on jungled New Georgia Island in the Solomon—where American forces are bombing, shelling and attacking by land. U. S. troops at newly won Viru Harbor, farther south of New Georgia, are advancing on this Jap position, while our artillery on nearby Rendova Island has Munda area under fire.

## Germans Reported Rushing Fresh Troops To Dodecanese Island Area

LONDON —(P)— The Germans were reported by the Algiers radio Wednesday to have sent fresh troops to the Dodecanese Islands—potential Allied stepping stones to any invasion of the Balkans—and Berlin declared that Yugoslav and Greek guerrillas were being wiped out in another step to strengthen Axis defenses.

Gen. Draja Mihailovic's forces "for the most part have been wiped out" in Yugoslavia, the Berlin broadcast asserted and "mopping-up operations also made good progress in Greece in the last few days."

The Yugoslav and Greek governments in London acknowledged heavier Axis opposition against guerrillas, but said the claims that they were wiped out were fantastic.

(The British radio said martial law had been proclaimed in Greece after strikes and demonstrations that threatened "to lead to a general uprising.")

Berlin intensified propaganda efforts to convince the German people that the Allies had been balked in plans for invasion of Southern Europe.

A DNE dispatch reported by The Associated Press said the Allies "cannot launch a real invasion" in the Mediterranean, that Southern France and Italy are so well protected "that even an invasion under cover of battleships or other heavy units must be considered an absolutely deadly risk."

**Record Barnhart Well And Phillips Deep Sterling Test Hold Interest**  
By Frank Gardner, Oil Editor  
The east side district claimed attention Wednesday as Skelly Oil Company completed the record producer in the Barnhart pool of Southeastern Reagan County, and Phillips Petroleum Company started operations on a 9,000-foot Ordovician test in extreme Western Sterling County.

The new Phillips wildcat is its No. 1 "Sterling," on the J. L. Glass Ranch. Cellar and pits are being dug and derrick is being built for the deep test, stacked in the C NW NE section 3, block 31, township 5 south, T. & P. survey. The 9,000-foot well will be drilled with company Rotary. It is 10 1/2 miles south of Col-Tex Refining Company No. 1

W. N. Reed et al, a 9,578-foot Ellenburger (lower Ordovician) dry hole. Skelly's record well is the No. 1-L University, section 4, block 48, University survey, which rated daily potential of 2,423 barrels based on a 3-hour test through 1 1/4-inch opening, with gas-oil ratio of 1,360-1. Hourly gauges were: 101.99 barrels, 103.66 barrels and 97.22 barrels. The previous largest well in Barnhart pool, which produces from the Ellenburger, was Amerada Petroleum Corporation No. 1 University unit, a 2,419-barrel. The Skelly well topped the Ellenburger at 9,010 feet, drilled to 9,220 feet, and is producing through 218 gun-perforations in 5 1/2-inch casing from 9,120-75 feet. It was acidized with 5,000 gallons.

An indicated 1-mile north extender of the Barnhart pool, Amerada No. 1 Mary C. Johnson, is drilling at 8,981 feet in Ellenburger dolomite and lime. The same firm's No. 1 N. W. Hickman has passed 3,030 feet in lime.

**Senate Rises Up For Battle Over Subsidy Program**  
WASHINGTON —(P)— In a sudden and dramatic turnabout, the Senate rose up to do battle with the administration again Wednesday over the government's plan to roll back retail food prices by paying subsidies to processors.

Chances of starting a mid-summer recess by nightfall faded hourly as weary lawmakers of both Houses went into a huddle over a bill continuing the life of the Commodity Credit Corporation but blocking the subsidy program.

**Senate About Faces**  
The formidable task of the conferees was this: to reconcile diametrically opposite proposals in the Senate version and the House-approved bill which lifted all subsidy-rollback restrictions objected to by the administration.

Climaxing a seldom-seen demonstration of about-facing, Senate opponents of the roll-back voted late Tuesday, over the loud lamentations of administration lieutenants, for subsidy restrictions similar to those which drew a vigorous veto from President Roosevelt only last Friday.

**Two Cadets Killed In Crash At Pecos**  
PECOS —(P)— Two aviation cadets were killed Monday night in a plane crash near the Pecos Army Air Field.

Charles William Magruder, 24, Moberly, Mo.  
Finley Raymond Peckham, 23, Pine City, N. Y.  
They were on a routine flight at the time of the accident.

# Score: 10 To 1

By The Associated Press  
American war ships, shooting it out with the enemy at close quarters, have won a smashing victory in round No. 1 of the battle for naval supremacy in the Solomon Islands.

The score: 10 to 1.  
"The Japs have taken another damned good licking," Navy Secretary Frank Knox told cheering shipyard workers at Bremerton, Wash.

Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced that U. S. naval forces caught the enemy in a Navy communique reporting the action Wednesday disclosed that the American cruiser lost in battle with Japanese forces in Kula Gulf on the morning of July 6 was the 9,700-ton light cruiser Helena.

"The next of kin of the casualties aboard the Helena will be notified as soon as possible," the Navy said.

The narrow confines of Kula Gulf, above New Georgia Island, and probably sank six Japanese warships and damaged four others—in a flaming night battle July 5-6.

"Details are not yet available and a final assessment cannot be made," a communique said. Munda Threatened

Kula Gulf, 15 miles long and eight miles wide, lies between New Georgia and Kolombangara Islands, in the heart of the 700-mile-long Solomons archipelago where American forces have already captured Rendova Island and are closing around the prize Japanese air base at Munda.

The triumph scored by U. S. naval gunners in the battle of Kula Gulf marked the second time in four days they had bested the Japanese, thus demonstrating a sharp edge over the enemy who once boasted that he had destroyed the entire Allied fleet in the Southwest Pacific.

A force of three Japanese cruisers and four destroyers was put to flight in a preliminary skirmish off Rendova Island last Saturday.

While details were still lacking, apparently the flying Japanese were reinforced and came back for more, with the Americans promptly obliging. The communique made it clear that the Americans opened the fight, declaring:

**U. S. Troops Reinforced**  
"Our naval surface units intercepted an enemy force of cruisers and destroyers in the Kula Gulf." Imperial Tokyo headquarters asserted that Japanese naval forces had sunk "one enemy cruiser" and set another fire Sunday night in Kula Gulf, and declared that torpedo boats the next morning sank three more Allied war vessels.

A communique said that U. S. troops on Rendova had now been reinforced and that furious Japanese air thrusts to check the Allied offensive by new raids on Australia, New Guinea and the Solomons had been broken up.

Allied fliers were officially credited with shooting down five Japanese bombers and two Zeros out of a 48-plane attack on Darwin, Australia. Seven Spitfires, manned by Australian and British pilots, were lost.

**Maximum Temperature Here Was 98 Degrees**  
Midland's maximum temperature Tuesday was 98 degrees, recorded at 4 p. m., at the West Texas Gas Company. The minimum for the day was 72 degrees.

Officials of the company, which has a recording thermometer, said the temperature has not reached 100 degrees here this season. The maximum for 1943 to date is 99 degrees, recorded in May.

**WAR AT A GLANCE**  
RUSSIA—Nazis' summer offensive makes little headway against fierce Soviet resistance.  
PACIFIC — Allies hold edge in air, on land, at sea in Solomons.  
MEDITERRANEAN — Savage Allied aerial blows fall on Sicily's Gerbini airfield.

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## Personal Air Buggies

Wayne Parrish, editor of American Aviation, calls attention to an abuse which not only is in bad taste but also adds to the handicap under which commercial airlines are struggling to carry on their highly essential function.

While scheduled flights are so overloaded that even a priority offers only nominal assurance, 21-passenger transport planes sit idly waiting, with full crews, for some brass hat to use them if necessity or desire prompts a trip.

"Is it right," asks Parrish editorially, "for a single medium-rank Army officer to take a 21-passenger plane, with full crew, on a cross-country trip for a conference which could easily have been handled by telephone, or when he could have hopped on a domestic Army cargo plane bound for the same destination?"

"Is it right to have 21-passenger planes providing luxury transportation for one or two officers when the remaining space is needed for cargo and other passengers?"

The air lines unprotestingly gave up half of their equipment "when lack of foresight in the War Department caught the Army without sufficient transport and cargo planes at the beginning of the war," Parrish points out.

But now transport plane production has risen to impressive proportions, and there seems no good reason why the commercial lines should not have their lost equipment replaced—particularly if there are sufficient big transports so that brass hats can have their personal air buggies for use an average of three hours a day, while commercial planes operate 10 hours.

Responsible military leaders must be in position to travel far and fast when occasion arises. But this does not necessitate assignment of 21-passenger planes to them. There are plenty of other workable alternatives.

One, quite obvious, would be maintenance of a pool of miscellaneous types ranging from small cabin models up to, perhaps, one or two big fellows for group use.

Another, supplementary to such a pool, would be the building up of the commercial lines' equipment so that priorities would mean something, which would enable brass hats to use regular flights instead of special personal planes.

When air travel becomes so critical that an expedition, an outstanding expert on the food problems, is "bounced" from a commercial plane en route, so as to make room for a priority pilot, the time has come to reassess the allocation of transport planes.

—Buy War Bonds And Savings Stamps—

## Worthy Example

Pomona College, a small co-educational liberal arts institution in Claremont, Cal., has started something worth while—scholarships which will enable returning service men to resume educations interrupted by the war. As a first installment \$5000 has been set aside for the purpose.

Presumably in 1945 or 1946, as in 1920, there will be a federal program of rehabilitation for the physical handicapped. But this does not help those who escape uninjured except in the pocketbook—a bit old to go back to school with the prospect of emerging in debt.

Such scholarships as Pomona proposes would be a godsend to men to whom this nation owes more than it ever will try to pay.

## WAC Officer Is Lions Speaker

Declaring WAC's now stationed at the Midland Army Air Field constitute a cross-section of American women, Lt. Mary L. Race, commanding officer of the detachment at the Bombardier College, addressed the Midland Lions Club in Hotel Scharbauer Wednesday noon. She was introduced by Clint Dunagan, program chairman.

Lieutenant Race said 25 WAC's now are on duty here, with more expected to arrive within the near future. Twelve states are represented in the detachment. The ages of the Midland WAC's range from 19 to 44 years. She discussed briefly the background and training of WAC's here.

Do Statistical Work  
Thirteen of the 25 WAC's now are working in the statistical section. Others will work in the radio repair section, control tower, and motor transport section while still others will fill secretarial jobs.

She described the WAC set-up at the Midland field as attractive and carefully planned. She praised the barracks, rooms, and conveniences provided for the detachment.

Lieutenant Race said WAC's stationed here would appreciate being invited into Midland homes as have been many of the enlisted men. The club voted to contribute \$50 to the Camp and Hospital Council of the Red Cross.

Russia has a peculiar habit that chirps through its tail.

READ THE CLASSIFIED ADS

**RAMIREZ HOPES FOR JOINT POST-WAR ACTION**  
**BUENOS AIRES** —(AP)— President Pedro Ramirez, speaking Tuesday night at the annual army-navy dinner, expressed the hope that Argentina would join with other hemisphere republics in joint action on the "complex problems which the end of the war will bring to the world."

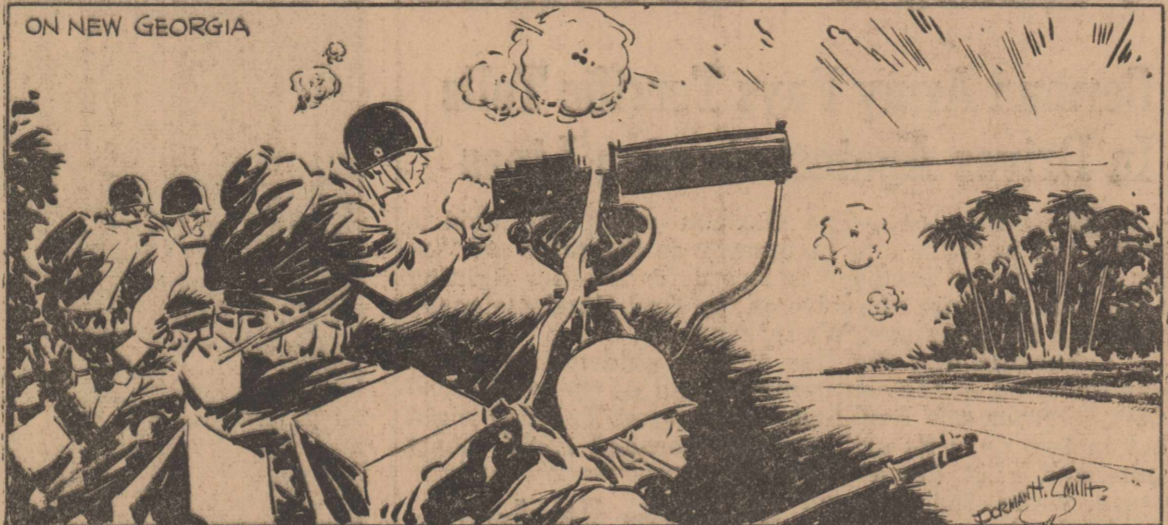
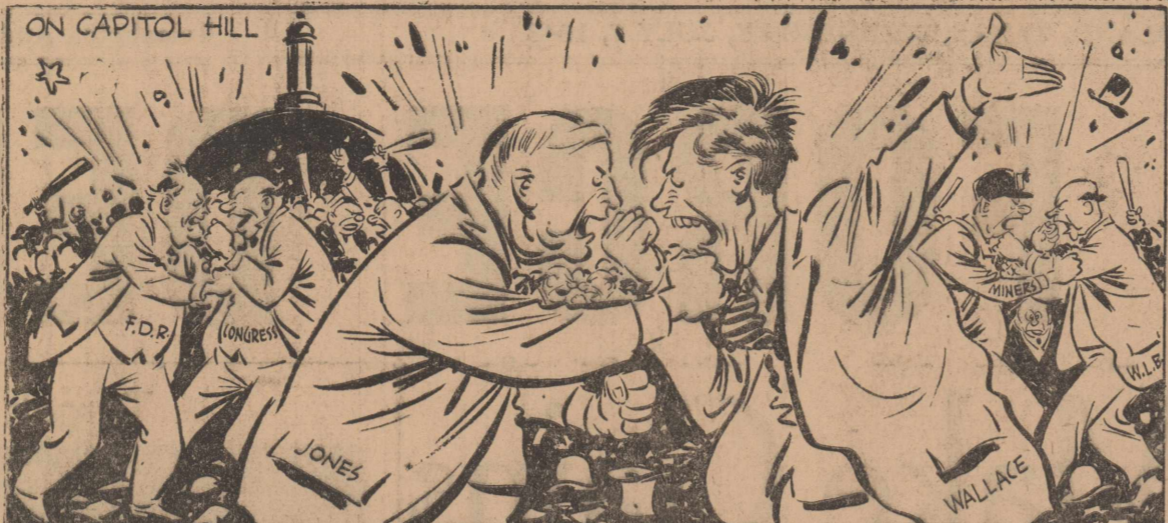
**EIGHTEEN KILLED IN INDIA TRAIN ACCIDENT**  
**BOMBAY** —(AP)— Eighteen persons were killed and 44 injured Wednesday in a train accident between Bezwada and Guntakal on the Madras and Southern Maharashtra Railway.

**PRIVATE TRADING WITH AFRICA TO BE RESUMED**  
**NEW YORK** —(AP)— Hector Lazo, assistant director of the Board of Economic Warfare, told a group of exporters Tuesday that private trading with North and West Africa probably would be resumed at least on a limited basis in the near future.

**TWO BILLIONS RAISED IN BRITISH CAMPAIGN**  
**LONDON** —(AP)— More than \$2,400,000,000 was raised in the government's four-month "Wings for Victory" borrowing campaign, Lord Kintnersley, president of the National Savings Committee, announced Wednesday.

**RETIRED ACTOR DIES**  
**HOLLYWOOD** —(AP)— Reginald Barlow, 76, retired stage and screen actor and veteran of three wars, died Tuesday following a long illness, at Cedars of Lebanon Hospital.

## Fighting



## Record Well --

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are to "start upon receipt of permit."

The firm's No. 1 R. A. Wheeler is 660 feet from the south and west lines of section 10, block 46, township 1 south, T. & P. survey, and is a north offset to the 10,897-foot discovery well, Stanolind Oil & Gas Company and Shell Oil Company, Inc. No. 1 W. D. Blue estate, which now is awaiting potential.

No. 2 Wheeler is 660 feet from the south and 2,012.2 from the west line of section 10; No. 3 Wheeler is 2,012.2 feet from the south and 2,012.2 from the west line of the same section, and No. 4 Wheeler is 2,011.24 feet from the south and 660 from the west line of that section.

Magnolia Petroleum Company No. 21 State-Walton, 3/4-mile southeast extension test in the Kermil-Ordovician pool of North Central Winkler, is drilling at 4,876 feet in brown lime. The same owner's No. 234 J. B. Walton, a 3/4-mile northwest outcrop, still is shut down at 2,335 feet in lime awaiting delivery of a string of 13 3/8-inch casing.

Shell No. 3 Sealy-Smith Foundation, projected Ellenburger test in the Monahan pool of Northeastern Ward County, is fishing for rock-bit cones, bottomed at 7,964 feet in chert streaked with lime.

**Ralph Logs Porosity**  
Magnolia No. 1-20-38 B. B. Ralph estate, Northwestern Andrews County deep wildcat in section 20, block A-38, psi, logged porous dolomite, with very slight oil staining, in basal Permian from 8,157 to 8,223 feet, where it entered a cherty zone. A 40-minute drill-stem test was run from 8,150 to 8,225 feet, on a 5/8-inch bottomhole choke, with recovery of 250 feet of slightly gas-cut drilling mud. No. 1-20-38 Ralph's zone of porosity is comparable to that found in the Frank S. Perkins et al No. 1 E. F. Cowden, Southwestern Andrews failure which quit in Mississippi non-calcareous black shale. The Magnolia wildcat is preparing to drill ahead below 8,225 feet, where it is in a cherty, brown dolomite.

Stanolind No. 15 American Warehouse Company, scheduled 11,000-foot test in the Cedar Lake pool of Northeastern Gaines County, is drilling at 10,216 feet, presumably still in Pennsylvanian lime.

An 8,500-foot test on the east side of the Seminole pool in Central Gaines, Amerada No. 6 R. W. Robertson, is drilling at 7,734 feet in lime.

In Northeastern Hockley County, Woodlawn Petroleum Company No. J. H. Howard is drilling at 4,276 feet in lime on a 6,200-foot contract.

Amerada No. 1 W. W. Kurpees, scheduled 11,000-foot Ordovician test 10 miles southeast of Plainview in Hale County, is drilling past 5,220 feet in dolomite.

**Price Recovers Some Junk**  
Phillips No. 1 Ada C. Price, Southeastern Pecos County wildcat and second deepest test ever drilled in West Texas, is fishing for cones after recovering drillcollars and bit. Total depth is 11,639 feet in dolomite of an unannounced age.

## Personals

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Cowden and Miss Jerra Edwards of Kerrville attended the funeral of John Edwards, uncle of Mrs. Cowden and Miss Edwards, here Wednesday afternoon.

Robert Dunagan, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Dunagan, arrived Tuesday from Shepard Field, Wichita Falls, for a nine-day visit with his parents. Mrs. Robert Dunagan, who has been in Fort Stockton with her mother, has also joined her husband here.

Mrs. Tommy Crook has been dismissed from the Western Clinic Hospital.

Christmas is celebrated with picnics and trips in the open in Australia.

## Public Health Notes

**J. A. OLEAN, M.D., Director**  
Midland-Howard County Health Unit

### Infantile Paralysis

Reported cases of polio are considerably above the seven-year average and scattered over the entire state. So far this year, Midland has not had a reported case. Parents are advised not to become alarmed because the individual chance of a person getting polio is small. One case per 10,000 population is about the usual rate of occurrence.

Parents seem to dread this particular disease more than many others which are more fatal and disfiguring. Many people probably get the disease without developing any sign of paralysis; others develop some paralysis which clears up. A small percentage may have a fatal outcome and some severe cases develop a permanent paralysis of arm or leg. The Kenny Method of treating early cases of paralysis is in wide use and prevents much permanent injury.

A reasonable amount of personal caution and more attention to ordinary rules of sanitation will help greatly to reduce the spread of this malady. The nose and throat discharges of infected persons and of "carriers" contain the virus and help to spread the disease through direct personal contact and through contamination of food and eating utensils. Isolation of sick persons from well people, proper care of contaminated articles, good care of food and dishes at home and in public eating establishments are of primary importance.

**Recommend Caution**  
Bowel discharges also contain the virus so that proper sewage disposal and elimination of cesspools and surface toilets merit serious consideration. Hands should always be washed after toilet.

Flies may carry and spread the virus from infected persons, their soiled articles, from garbage and from cesspools and open toilets to other persons or exposed foods. Destruction of flies and removal of their breeding places, such as garbage and manure reduce the chances of spread. All raw vegetables and fresh fruits should be carefully washed before eating them.

Early symptoms are fever, headache, sore throat, vomiting, unusual drowsiness and irritability followed by stiffness in the neck and back. Any sick child should be kept at home until he is well. A physician should be called at once if the symptoms make the parents suspicious. Crowding of children in public places is to be discouraged. Public swimming pools and wading pools are easily contaminated by nose and throat secretions and bowel material. Since children are more susceptible to polio, all such places should be closed to children 16 years of age and younger.

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## Items Gleaned AROUND TOWN

Blame it on the heat or something, but the number of family rows are on the increase in Midland. Police were called to settle three disturbances which started from disagreements within families Tuesday night. After peace was restored, the officers withdrew.

While on the subject of heat, we might as well report that Mrs. Van Ed Watson, capable assistant in the county clerk's office, disagrees with the semi-official reports of the thermometer at the West Texas Gas Company office. The thermometer at her house, she declares, always shows more temperature than that reported by The Reporter-Telegram.

## President Radios Greeting To China

**WASHINGTON** —(AP)— President Roosevelt sent a special short wave radio greeting to the people of China Wednesday on the sixth anniversary of their resistance to Japanese aggression. The message, read for the President in a transmission from San Francisco to Chungking, was followed by excerpts from former addresses by Mr. Roosevelt in his own voice.

"Our friends have long known what our enemies are learning today," the message declared, "that the promises of the United States are always kept and our pledges are always redeemed."

## DALLAS NEWSPAPER MAN DIES FROM INJURIES

**DALLAS** —(AP)— Albert Swinsky, Jr., 46, vice-president and general manager of the Daily Times and president of KRLD Radio Corporation, died in a hospital here Tuesday as the result of injuries and subsequent complications from a fall at his home May 11.

## RESCUE VESSEL LAUNCHED

**WILMINGTON, CALIF.** —(AP)— A \$60,000 aircraft rescue vessel, launched with ceremonies honoring residents of Augusta, Kas., who purchased the equivalent in war bonds during June to finance its construction, was afloat in the harbor Wednesday.

## NEW OIL FIELDS ARE DISCOVERED IN RUSSIA

**MOSCOW** —(AP)— The government newspaper Izvestia announced Monday that new oil fields had been discovered in Azerbaijan which were expected to become second in importance only to those at Baku, capital of that republic.

## RED CROSS ACTIVITIES TO FEATURE BROADCAST

Midland Army Air Field personnel and the American Red Cross will give a joint broadcast at 7:15 p. m., Wednesday over KRLH explaining Red Cross activities.

## CHIANG IS DECORATED

**CHUNGKING** —(AP)— Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek was decorated Wednesday as chief commander, legion of merit, by Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, U. S. commanding general for China, India and Burma, representing President Roosevelt.

## Berlin Claims U-Boats Sink Nine Vessels

**LONDON** —(AP)— The Berlin radio reported Wednesday that German submarines had sunk nine Allied ships totaling 33,000 tons "in recent days" but failed to say where the alleged sinkings took place.



## German Army --

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spots in the Russian defenses. Tank divisions and infantry struck, then recoiled to be regrouped for a thrust again on the same front but in a different sector.

Principal factor in the success of the Soviet defense seemed to be the Red Army heavy artillery which rolled back the constant onrush of the heavy German tanks. As the armored divisions faltered and turned tail, Red Army infantry dashed from dugouts and slit trenches to engage the enemy in hand-to-hand combat.

The German army, obviously planning for a major blow at the Russian army, picked its battlefield with an eye to providing terrain most suitable for the massing of its armored strength. The land around Orel, Sevsk and Kursk is flat, similar to that around Bryansk about 90 miles to the west where the Germans flung their heavy equipment against the Russians a year ago.

The Germans sent 300 to 400 tanks into the battle at a time only to have them smashed back by the Soviet artillery and low-flying Stormoviks, battlefront reports said.

Mrs. C. H. Blackford and baby, who have been in Western Clinic Hospital, have returned to their home.

## Texans Participate In Raid On Gerbini

**ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA** —(AP)— Two Texans took part in the B-17 bomber raid "to hell and back" over Gerbini.

Less than 30 was the official number of B-17's which started out. Over Eastern Sicily three were destroyed. For the three Fortresses destroyed, the enemy paid with 41 planes.

The Texans were Spt. Herbert A. Taylor, Longview, credited with downing one Messerschmitt 109; and Sgt. Falvef G. Haynes, San Angelo, who downed two Messerschmitt 109's.

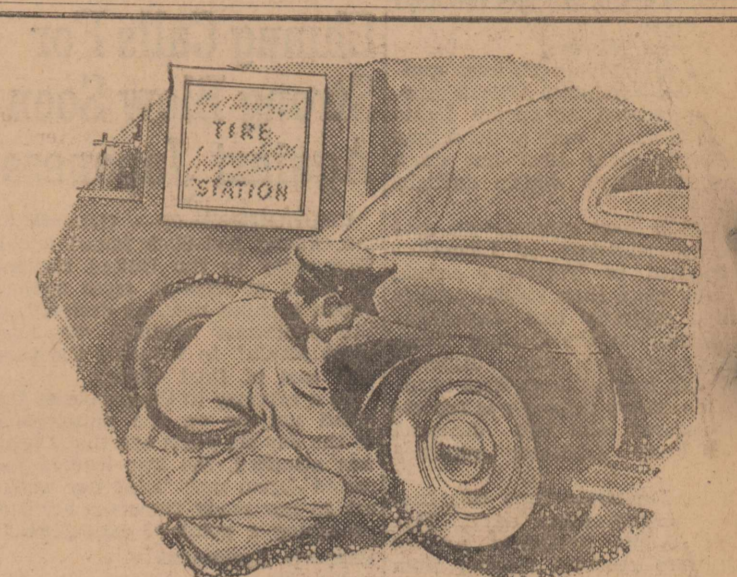


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# Africa Waits

by Achmed Abdullah  
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THE STORY: Lincoln Elliot, American, decides to have one final fling before settling down to his important duties as the newly-appointed military governor of a French colony in Central Africa. For the last time he disguises himself as the Arab, Terek el-Medjahiri, and goes off in search of adventure. Curiosity takes him to the long-disbanded dervish lodge of Bi Hassanyeh, of which he had once been a member. There he finds Sitt Fosiha, who had been his first love. She reviles him because he has remained young while she has faded into a wrinkled old woman.

## ALI EL-ANDALOSI CHAPTER V

"TS that," the man asked, "sufficient reason to hate me?"  
"Of course. And you would understand, were you a woman. For are there not still kisses waiting for you, and not for me?"  
Once more Sitt Fosiha was silent. Then she added in a calm, flat voice:

"It is queer how, in this matter of growing old or not growing old, you are almost like a *feringhee*, a foreigner, a Christian—Allah's curse on all unbelievers!—to whom Shaitan, the Fallen Angel, the Stoned, has granted the knowledge of eternal youth."  
The American drew back in alarm. Had she guessed his identity?

It was an embarrassing situation, fraught with most dangerous possibilities. For, if she knew who he was, she might talk to the local Moslems; tell them that once, he, the military governor, the Christian, had passed for one of them and had even joined the Bi Hassanyeh, an Islamic brotherhood, thereby mocking at their faith, besmirching it. And these Arabs were thin-skinned.

His thoughts were in a turmoil; were broken by the sound of faltering steps from the inside of the house. A voice that asked:  
"Who is the pilgrim who married Sitt Fosiha?"

"Sitt Fosiha sent me the message," replied Lincoln, as she had advised him.  
"Oh, yes," El-Andalosi's smile was melancholy. "You were lovers once."  
"And so," the woman chimed in, "would I lose track of him?"  
"Where have you been all these years, Terek?" demanded the Arab.  
"In prison," said Lincoln; and he felt that, somehow, in a way, he spoke the truth.

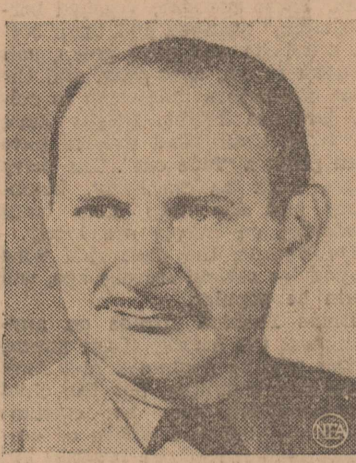
"IN prison!" echoed the blind man. "As I was in prison, and many others of the brotherhood! Because," with bitter irony, "we committed a black, black crime—believed in *istiqal*, in freedom and independence—eh?" He paused. "Yet freedom it will be in the end. Freedom from the galling yoke of the foreigners, the Christians, the infidels, the oppressors of the True Believers! Ah—bless them not the Lord Allah the Just! May their daughters be barren! May their sons die by the swish of the sword when it is red!" Again he paused.

"You spoke," Lincoln prompted, "of sending me some place. Where—and why?"  
"To talk," was the slow reply, "to the *hykmoat ameez*, the Man of Mystery, and receive his orders."  
"But—who...?"  
"I shall tell you inside. The night has ears," said el-Andalosi; and to Fosiha: "Wait here, and guard the gate."

He turned, tapping his way with the help of his stick, and the American followed.  
They sat down. And then, from the other's lips, Lincoln heard an amazing story.

Not that el-Andalosi gave him the whole of it. He could not, because he did not know. Parts of it the American picked up afterwards, on his long, weary trek through Central Africa, fitting the pieces together like those of a puzzle picture; and the last piece, he dovetailed into place at the very second when he came face to face with the *hykmoat ameez*, and recoiled with the tragedy of it.  
(To Be Continued)

## Double Duty



That face at the top looks like you know who—cleaned up a bit, but it's really Vienna-born actor Ludwig Donath, doing the patriotic but unwelcome chore of portraying the title role in "The Strange Death of Adolf Hitler." Donath, shown below, starred in many German movies until his anti-Nazi activities forced him to flee Hitler's wrath.

## U. S. Armed Forces In England Praised

LONDON —(AP)— The Daily Express said in an editorial Wednesday that the British people "praise the splendid bearing and good manners of the American armed forces in our midst" because "they take into full account our proprietary rights."  
"Officers and troops alike have won our deep respect and affection," the editorial added.



### Is This Pest Bothering Your Victory Garden?

POTATO BEETLE—Color: Young, reddish color. Adults, yellow and black striped. Destroy potato, tomato, egg plants. Dust with lead or calcium arsenate, undiluted; or spray 1/4 lb. lead or calcium arsenate to 8 gallons water. Early applications are essential. Dust or spray when first beetles appear. For further information see your County Extension Service Agents.

## Elevator Operators At Rockefeller City Strike

NEW YORK —(AP)— An estimated 28,000 office workers and visitors were stranded Tuesday in the towering structures of Rockefeller Center by a 55-minute strike of 225 elevator operators.  
Officials of Rockefeller Center, a showplace of the city, and of the AFL Building Maintenance Craftmen's Union said the walk-out resulted from an internal dispute in the union.

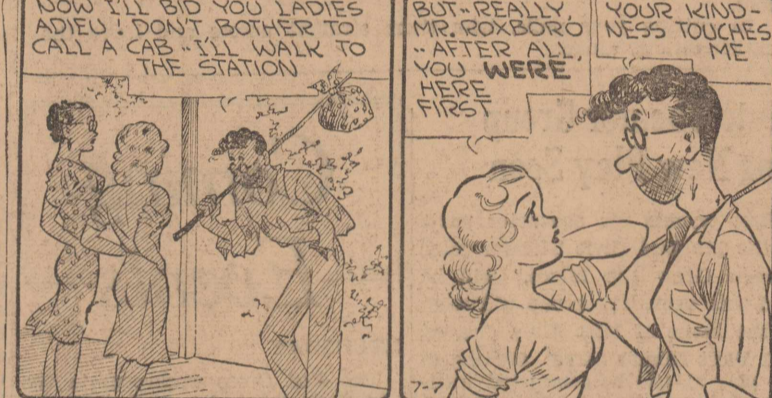
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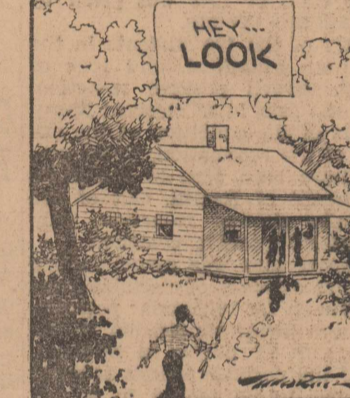
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## McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By William E. McKenney  
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The president of the American Contract Bridge League in 1941 was Robert J. Gill. As soon as we got into the war, "Bob," who had served with General MacArthur in the last war, closed his law office in Baltimore to get back into the fight. He is now Lieutenant Colonel Gill, stationed at Fort Story, Va.  
The colonel can be counted upon to make the unusual play that wins. All good players are familiar with the hold-up play, and in today's hand they might make the mistake

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♥ A 3  
♦ 5 3  
♣ A Q 10 7 2

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Q 7 2	A 8 6 4
9 6 5	J 4

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♥ Q 7 5 2  
♦ K J 10  
♣ K 8 3

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## Scouts Will Leave Friday For Camp Philmont, New Mexico

A number of Midland Scouts and Scouters will leave early Friday for Camp Philmont, New Mexico, to attend the annual Scout camp, July 9 to 17, G. W. Breneman, chairman of camping activities of the Buffalo Trail Council, said Wednesday.  
A truck will transport the Midland group to the camp. All scouts making the trip must be at the courthouse at 5 a. m. Friday, the scheduled hour of departure, Breneman said.  
Thirteen Scouts and four Scouters early this week had signed up to attend summer camp. Others are expected to register before Friday.

## Yankee Airmen Off Beam Dropped Bombs On Oklahoma Town

BOISE CITY, OKLA. — (AP)— 'Twas just a Yankee airman off the beam, residents of this Oklahoma Panhandle community learned with belated comfort—after five small bombs had come crashing down early Tuesday in a noisy climax to a July 4 celebration.  
The misdirected air raid was halted only when the master switch at the city light plant was pulled, blacking out the town.  
Officers at the Dalhart, Tex., Army Air Base who arrived to investigate said the plane was from that base.  
One of a group which left Dalhart to bomb a practice range near Conlen, Tex., 30 miles south of Boise City, it apparently got off course and the pilot mistook Boise City for the practice range, they explained.  
No one was injured and property damage was slight.  
One of the practice bombs, loaded with sand and a small powder charge, knocked a hole in the Baptist Church. Another damaged a garage.

## British Party Seeks Transfer Of Property

LONDON —(AP)— The Commonwealth Party which, with three representatives in the House of Commons, is the smallest in Britain, issued a manifesto Thursday demanding the transfer of all land, utilities, mines, industries, banks and insurance companies to common ownership.  
Other demands included self government for the colonies, and immediate independence for India.

## Evatt Says Capture Of All Isles Unnecessary

LEEDS, ENGLAND —(AP)— H. V. Evatt, Australian attorney-general and minister for external affairs, said Wednesday a separate attack on every Japanese-held island in the Pacific would be "preposterous" and unnecessary.  
Evatt, who arrived in Britain three weeks ago, declared, however, it is essential to attack and recapture "some islands of crucial importance" and then apply pressure on Japan from all directions, including China and the Pacific.

## Family Is Promoted

BUTTE, MONT. — (AP)— Mrs. Helen Spangler, member of the WAACS in Iowa, and her husband, John, a soldier in Texas, were promoted to staff sergeants on the same day. Mrs. Spangler and her husband wrote to Butte relatives about their promotions, although neither knew that the other had been raised in rank.

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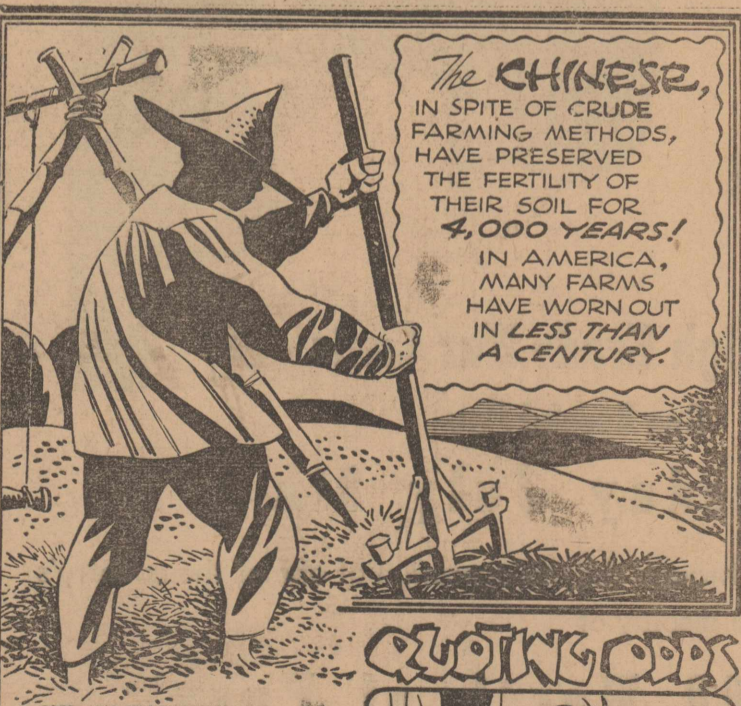
## WASH TUBBS



## HE'LL FIND EASY GOING THRU THE TRUNK!!



## THIS CURIOUS WORLD



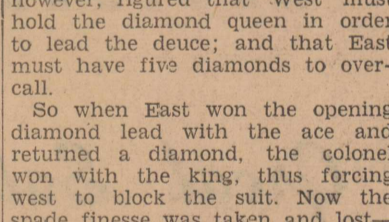
THE CHINESE, IN SPITE OF CRUDE FARMING METHODS, HAVE PRESERVED THE FERTILITY OF THEIR SOIL FOR 4,000 YEARS! IN AMERICA, MANY FARMS HAVE WORN OUT IN LESS THAN A CENTURY.

IN THE ALEUTIANS, IN MID-SUMMER, THERE ARE NINETEEN HOURS OF DAYLIGHT OUT OF EVERY TWENTY-FOUR.

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NEXT: Two-way lightning strokes.

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### Yanks Zoom Back Into Three Games Lead In American Loop

By Judson Bailey, Associated Press Sports Writer
Next to trying to find a good steak the biggest waste of time a baseball fan can indulge in is worrying about the New York Yankees.

## The Reporter-Telegram SPORTS

### Tennessean Provides Hotel For Men Visiting In City At His Own Expense

By Alice Hoffman
NASHVILLE, TENN. (AP)—You pass a soldier asleep on a park bench or on the floor of a public building and you say, "What a shame. Something ought to be done."

### Sports Roundup

By Hugh Fullerton Jr.
NEW YORK (AP)—Arne Anderson, Sweden's newest mile record-breaker, is due to try for another of Gunder Haegg's records Thursday and this time the track fans hereabouts will be ready.

### Players And Coaching Staff For College All-Star Team Selected

CHICAGO (AP)—Here's a coaching staff of five experienced fellows: they have 17 fine football players who are assured of reporting for practice next month — and many more on the way.

time in Dwyer Stadium in suburban Evanston. So the all-star game, which might have become a war casualty for lack of talent, appears headed for as fine a performance as it's ever had.

#### Leahy On Staff

Tickets for all the best seats and for all the least expensive benches have been sold. The coaching staff has been completed with the name of Frank Leahy of Notre Dame.

Linemen: Don Currican, Boston College; Pat Lyons, Wisconsin; Al Wistert, Michigan; Del Dickerhoff, Iowa; Gerrard Ramsey, William and Mary; Leslie Kalchik and Wilfred Kramer, Marquette; Paul Mitchell, Minnesota; and Eldon Wertheimer, Dubuque.

### THE STANDINGS

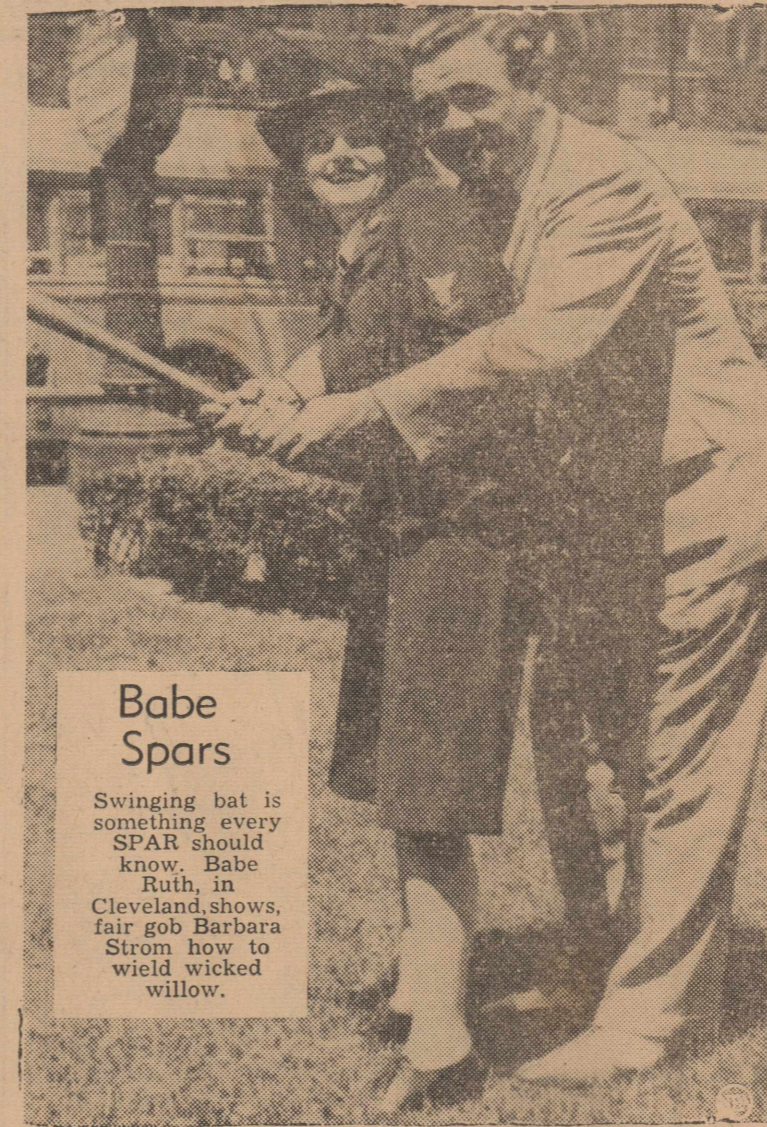
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### Babe Spars

Swinging bat is something every SPAR should know. Babe Ruth, in Cleveland, shows, fair gob Barbara Ström how to wield wicked willow.



### Hulse Emerges From Shadow With Record

NEW YORK (AP)—Bill Hulse finally has emerged from his shadow—the shadow of trailing miler Leslie MacMillan when the pair started for New York University.

Coach Emil Von Elling of NYU, in commenting on Hulse's performance, said: "I had not been for MacMillan. Hulse would have gone down in track history as one of NYU's best."

### Athletic Excellence Is Texan's Trouble

DALLAS — It's not manpower trouble but a question of athletic excellence in the case of big Tom Hamilton.

Hamilton is the all-state basketball and baseball player at Crozier Tech High School of Dallas. But he's also good at anything else he tries.

### Waco Flyers To Face Shipbuilders' Team

HOUSTON (AP)—The Waco Flyers, who decisively defeated the Abercrombie and Harrison Oilers of Sweeny 10 to 4 Tuesday night, meet the Brown Shipbuilders here Wednesday night.

### Holy Cross Veterans Recall Boston Defeat

FORT EUSTIS, VA. (AP)—Four members of the Holy Cross football team which last fall routed the great Boston College grid machine, 55 to 12, are taking their basic training at this anti-aircraft replacement training center, and getting ready to "carry the ball" for Uncle Sam.

### Paper Says McMillen To Be GOP Candidate

COVINGTON, IND. (AP)—The Covington Republican, a weekly newspaper, says Wheeler McMillen, editor-in-chief of the Farm Journal, will seek the nomination for president of the United States at the Republican convention next year.

### Net Tournament For Officers Is Scheduled Here

The physical training department at the Midland Air Field is sponsoring a tennis tournament for officers, with trophies and medals to be awarded the winners. Entries for the tourney will be accepted by instructors Harvey Pierce and Lane Meltzer.

### String Of Fish

SANTA CRUZ, CALIF. (AP)—Harry Moorfield landed a 29 1/2 pound Ling cod.

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### Former Actor Dies

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—The roster of actors in the silent era of motion pictures has lost another name in the death of Charles E. Stevens, 55, who appeared in Hal Roach comedies for 14 years.

### Steuber Signed By Bear Football Team

CHICAGO (AP)—The Chicago Bears hope they get a few touchdowns out of Missouri's Bob Steuber before the Navy gets him. Although Steuber is awaiting a call from the Navy, in which he was enlisted, the Bears signed up the first back for the 1943 National Football League season.

### Illinois Now Boasts Two Seasoned Players

CHAMPAIGN, ILL. (AP)—Coach Ray Eliot has 30-odd players out for summer football practice at Illinois—but it's not as good as it sounds. Until Tuesday night only one member of the squad, Ralph Palmer, had had previous college experience. Now Eliot has two "veterans" on hand, since Fullback Theron Bradley, former Illini freshman and later a varsity performer at the University of Wyoming, has re-entered Illinois.

### Haegg Will Train In Los Angeles For Race

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Gunder Haegg, wily, long-haired Swedish fireman, will do his training in Los Angeles for his two-mile race Saturday with the Boston divinity student, Gil Dodds.

### Alarm Not Alarming

FORT KNOX, KY. (AP)—If the siren atop the world-famous vault here is sounded next weekend, it won't necessarily mean that raiders are after all the gold stored there. Officials of the Kentucky Open golf tournament to be held on the Fort Knox course announced that the siren would be employed to warn players to stop play in case of rain or lightning.

### What, No Goldfish?

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Joe Wilder, who sells sandwiches to hundreds of Temple University students, thought he'd filled every possible request until...

Advertisement for YUCCA, West Texas Entertainment Castle, LAST TIMES TODAY.

Advertisement for RITZ, The Family Theatre, I must get my man back -- You can't keep loving a memory.

Advertisement for CITY WITHOUT MEN, featuring Linda Darnell and Edgar Buchanan.

Advertisement for INSURANCE, Life - Fire - Automobile, ROY McKEE, Phone 495.

Advertisement for ALL NIGHT GAS SERVICE, For your convenience our station will remain open all night to serve all classes of automotive trade.

Advertisement for WATSON'S SERVICE STATION, 703 W. Wall St., Midland.

Advertisement for WATCH REPAIRING, Prescriptions Filled.

Advertisement for REX, LAST DAY, Where The Big Pictures Return, "MRS. WIGGS OF THE CABBAGE PATCH" PLUS BORRAH MINNEVITCH MUSICAL REVUE.

Advertisement for Midland Jewelry and Pawn Brokers, 115 S. Main, Phone 2300.

### Dream Come True

LAURENS, S. C. (AP)—"Wouldn't it be wonderful," Mrs. Margaret Wilkes was writing to her husband, Lt. S. M. Wilkes, an Army doctor in the South Pacific.

### Father Assists Son In Becoming Engaged

CHICAGO (AP)—Corp. Leroy Hurlbrink enlisted the aid of his father, Emil, to propose marriage to Pauline Kolloch.

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