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Race Question Injects Self Into Olympics

The man who said that international athletic competition and harmony among the nations must have been entirely ignorant of the things that happen at the Olympic Games.

Judging them strictly on form, these games would seem to be about as fertile a source of international dislike as anything that man's inventive brain has yet devised.

The all-time high water mark seems to have been reached in Berlin. Herr Hitler, flanked by his official muscle men, beams down from his box, prepared to extend the right hand of good fellowship to the winners—and right away the show is stolen by a young American colored boy named Jesse Owens, ably seconded by other America colored boys named Metcalfe, Woodruff, Johnson, Albritton, Williams, LaValle and Robinson.

At this point high comedy enters. Herr Hitler owes his career to the thesis that blond Nordics are, ipso facto, superior to all other breeds. But he hardly gets his chair warm before it is clearly proved that there isn't a blond Nordic on earth who can give the completely non-Nordic Mr. Owens a real race.

Thus Jesse Owens puts the dictator of Germany on the spot. The dictator departs hastily, the world treats itself to a chuckle at his expense and the most sensationally athletic of the Olympics turns out to be the very one who can't receive the personal congratulations of Der Fuehrer.

Yes it is all pretty ridiculous. But we Americans might do a little bit of thinking before we laugh too hastily. After all, we are hardly in the best of all possible positions for pointing the finger of scorn at anyone who gives way to race prejudice.

The race problem is a knotty one, and it probably will have to work itself out over many generations. Getting sentimental over the athletic prowess of Jesse Owens isn't going to show us how white and black men can live in eternal amity.

But it might at least remind us that the problem is here to be solved. And we'll be in a better mood to try to solve it if we give our whole-hearted acclaim to the young Negroes who put the Stars and Stripes at the top of the Olympic flagpole.

Steel Is Poor Setting For Tense Drama

The great steel industry may be able to avoid that much-called strike if some of the breathless commentators who go down to report on it can just restrain their enthusiasm for drama.

The steel situation is tense, of course, and it may well get more so. Trying to bind 400,000 workers into a militant union over the decided objection of the employers is bound to involve a good deal of risk.

But the situation isn't helped any by the efforts which some observers make to see more tension than is actually here. Instead of giving a factual, analytical account of the great organizational drive, they make the situation look more like a stage-setting for the invasion of Belgium or the Sicilian vespers. "Scare" story reports of this kind make you smell trouble in the air, and give you the impression that the next act will see battle and bloodshed.

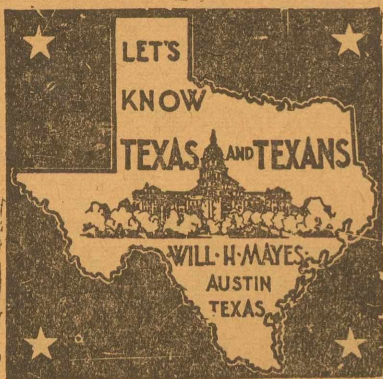
It is precisely this sort of thing that makes it hard for the industry to get through the present tension peacefully. It creates the wrong atmosphere. It makes everyone expect a strike; by taking trouble for granted, it makes trouble more likely to occur.

When the commentator remembers that he is paid to provide facts and not to show what a keen eye he has for drama, you get the sort of thing that the situation really needs.

For example: Willis Thornton recently made an extended tour of the steel district. He reported that the union organizers decidedly do not want a strike; that the steel magnates are not adopting a "Scram, you lugs!" attitude, but are sensibly waiting to see what happens; that the workers are enjoying steady employment and are carefully weighing the advantages and disadvantages of unionization, before committing themselves; and that, all in all, the odds are clearly against trouble in the near future.

If we all could see it like that, the air would be a good deal clearer. We might as well realize that this steel thing is not a dramatic spectacle arranged for our excitement, but a delicate industrial situation in which both sides—although they may later make mistakes, become rash and effiant or stumble into avoidable trouble—are behaving pretty coolly and unemotionally.

After lying behind barricades, the modern caballero is serenading with his Spanish catarrh. The little dog who laughed to see such fun when the cow jumped over the moon can have a picnic now, should anyone rig up a short circuit in the electric milker.



In this column answers will be given to inquiries as to Texas history and other matters pertaining to the State and its people. As evidence of good faith inquirers must give their names and addresses, but only their initials will be printed. Address inquiries to Will H. Mayes, Austin, Texas.

Q. When was the town of San Felipe de Austin established? B. M., Baird.

A. July 26, 1823.

Q. What is a vara? F. F., Clarendon.

A. A Spanish measurement of thirty-three and one-third inches.

Q. When did Sam Houston die and at what age? T. R., Big Spring and at what age? T. R., Big Spring.

A. He died July 26, 1863, at Huntsville, at the age of 74.

Q. On what date did Texas officially join the Confederate states? D. D., Arkansas Pass.

A. The vote to withdraw from the Union was taken Feb. 23, 1861, and became effective, March 2, 1861, exactly 25 years after Texas declared its independence from Mexico and on Houston's 68th birthday.

Q. Why did the city of Houston decide not to hold its celebration depicting the Battle of San Jacinto this year? S. A., Kyle.

A. It wished to avoid all possibility of giving offense to Mexico or Mexican citizens, the relations between that country and Texas now being most cordial. Centennial authorities have emphasized the fact that Texas is celebrating a century of independent progress and not a victory in battle.

Q. How may a county go about establishing a county library in Texas? R. D., Sinton.

A. County libraries may be established by commissioners' courts either on their own initiative or on petition of a majority of the county's voters. A sum not to exceed 5 cents on the \$100.00 property valuation may be voted for that purpose. For assistance in getting county libraries, address the State Library, Austin.

Every man, woman and child in Texas should know the principal events of the momentous period of Texas history from March 1 to April 21, 1836—events that changed the shape and the destiny of the United States.

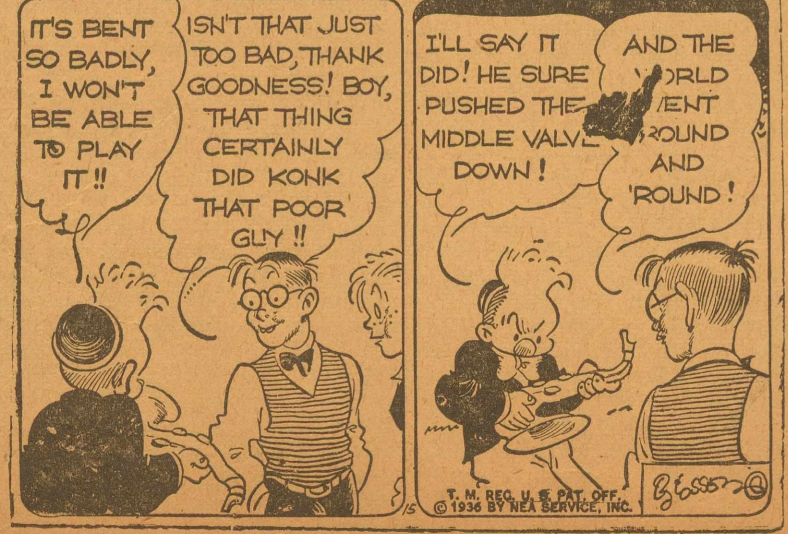
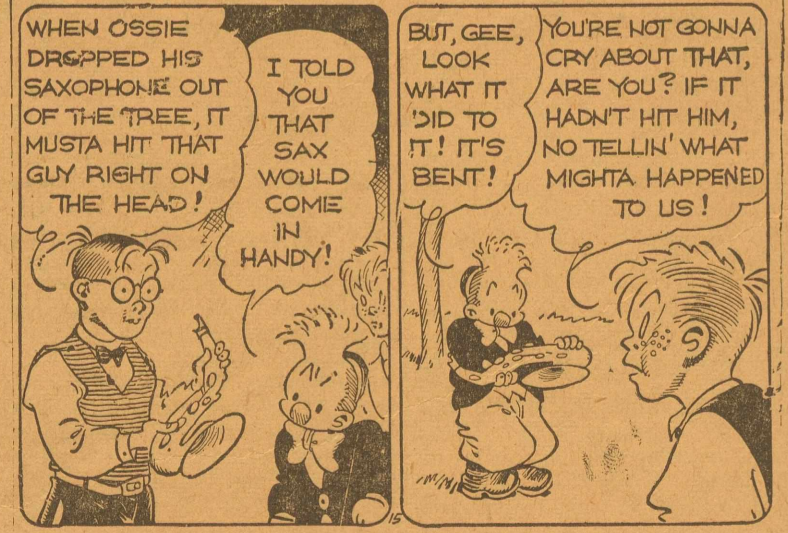
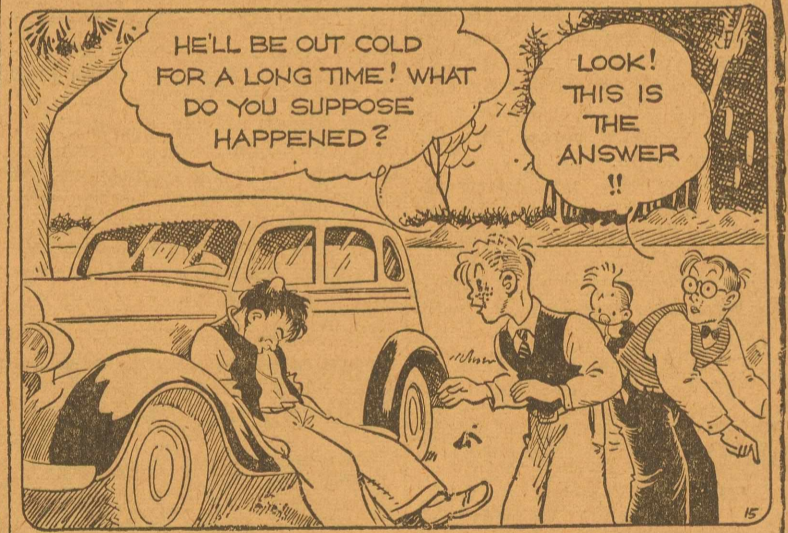
The facts essential to this understanding are briefly set forth in a 32-page booklet entitled "Texas Empire Builders of '36," telling of the stirring days which all Texans, native and adopted, are celebrating in 1936.

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FRECKLES and HIS FRIENDS—By Blosser



SIDE-SHOW



CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Sunday school, 9:45 o'clock. Morning service, 11 o'clock. Wednesday evening testimonial meeting, 8 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend. "Soul" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon which will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist on Sunday, August, 1936.

The Golden Text is: "Bless the name of the Lord forevermore." (Psalm 113:1)

The Lesson-Sermon includes also the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "Man, governed by his Maker, having no other mind,—planted on the Evangelist's statement that all things were made by Him (the Word of God); and without Him was not anything made that was made,—can triumph over sin, sickness, and death." (page 231).

St. Hyacinth, the apostle of Poland and Russia, was born of noble parents in Poland about the year 1185. In the year 1218 he accompanied his uncle, the Bishop of Cracow, to Rome. There he met St. Dominic, and received the habit of the Friar Preachers from the patriarch himself, of whom he became a living copy. So wonderful was his progress in virtue that within a year Dominic sent him to preach and establish the Order in Poland, where he founded two houses. His apostolic journeys extended over numerous regions: Austria, Bohemia, Livonia, the shores of the Black Sea, Tartary, and Northern China on the east, and Sweden and Norway to the west, were evangelized by him, and he is said to have visited in Scotland. Everywhere multitudes were converted, churches and convents were built; one hundred and twenty thousand pagans and infidels were baptized by his hands. He worked numerous miracles, and at Cracow raised a dead youth to life. He had inherited from St. Dominic most filial confidence in the Mother of God; to her he ascribed his success, and to her aid he looked for his salvation. On the eve of the Assumption he was warned of his coming death. In spite of a wasting fever, he celebrated Mass on the feast, and communicated as a dying man. He was anointed at the foot of the altar, and died the same day, 1257.

Life of the Saint Of the Day

By REV. S. E. BYRNE

Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits; Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases" (Psalms 103:2,3).

Among the citations which comprise the Lesson-Sermon is the following from the Bible: "The Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory; no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly" (Psalms 84:11).

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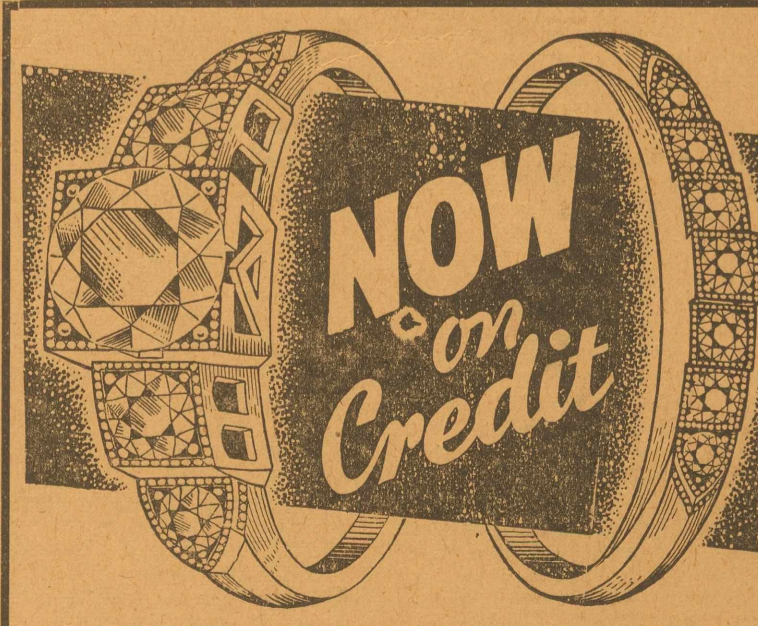
Sweetwater Sees Big Cotton Crop

SWEETWATER Tex.—Harvest of a bumper cotton crop is expected to begin in this area by the middle of the month.

Hot weather which helped mature the crop points the way to a near-record yield in late August in Nolan, Fisher, Rannels, and other West Texas counties. Farmers and county agents declare only physical factors stand in the way of a successful cotton year—possibly of heavy rains during the harvest season and a late influx of insects.

In Nolan county, farmers with cotton planted in the better sections expect a bale-to-the-acre yield.

Drought in other parts of the nation also will mean profit to small grain farmers. Prospects of good yields in maize and other row crops have caused farmers to proclaim 1936 as the best all-around year since 1926. Much grain stored last year is being marketed at the present high prices.



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Canoes Will Race Over Rapids In Quebec Classic

By United Press LA TUQUE, Que.—Harking back to the days when birchbark New France, sturdy canoes and craft threaded the river trails of sportsmen from the United States and Canada are here preparing to shoot the rapids of the St. Maurice River, Aug. 21-23, in the sports world's newest international competition—the international canoe race from La Tuque to Trois Rivières. The classic recalls the vanished days of the Iroquois and Montagnais, as well as of Nicolet, Radisson, Laverendy, and the other great Quebec pioneer-explorers who traversed the historic valley.

The 125-mile test will be divided into three laps, one each day. The first is an 85-mile paddle from La Tuque to Grand'Mere. The second, covering 15 miles, runs from Grand'Mere to Shaynigan Falls to the finish line at Trois Rivières, covers 25 miles. En route, the contestants are required to jump four famous rapids—the Croche, Cuisse, Manigance, and Les Forges.

Falling 1,315 feet on its rapid course the St. Maurice River is one of the oldest thoroughfares of the New World. Today it is paralleled by a modern highway, Route 19 of the Quebec provincial system, which affords facilities for watching the race.

A permanent committee has been formed to supervise the contest spectacle, which was instituted as a feature of the commemoration marking the founding of Trois Rivières three centuries ago. First restricted to canoeists of the St. Maurice Valley, the event is now open to all residents of North America, and many challengers from the United States have filed entries.

Each team entered in the race consists of two men and a regulation canoe of the sturdy, non-racing type, approximately as nearly as possible the canoes of the 17th century courseur-de-bois. Double-bladed paddles may not be used, and according to the regulations, the canoe must be carried by one man on the numerous portages.

American Family Changing For Better

By United Press

NEW ORLEANS—The family is changing from a dominating unit to an individualistic group, Dr. Harold D. Meyer, regional coordinator for the Community Organization for Leisure of the Works Progress Administration, told members of a recreational planning conference here.

"Various factors in modern civilization are making each member of the family guide his own responsibilities," Dr. Meyer said, "and this evolution is for a better family. Today, although the family is a unit, it is composed of individuals. Children are responsible, not only to their parents, but to the whole community. The parents, in turn, are responsible to the sovereignty of the whole state."

A tattooed man was hit by an auto in the East. Surgeons had a chance to brush up on their jigsaw puzzling.

Universal Mills Is Defeated By All Stars 10-6

The Ranger All Stars defeated Universal Mills of Fort Worth Friday night at Municipal field by a score of 10 to 6, administering the second defeat of the season the visitors had suffered. The game followed a short contest in which Woods Grocery defeated Morton Valley.

Universal lead for the first three innings of the nine-inning game when they mode on run in the first half of the first and held Ranger scoreless the first three innings. Then Ranger went on a hitting spree in the third and accounted for a total of eight hits and six runs before the rally was stopped.

Blackwell opened the rally with a ringing single to right field. Stuard singled and Airhart doubled, scoring Blackwell and Stuard. Gooden hit to left, scoring Airhart, Gooden taking second. Dawley fanned and Boyd singled to right to score Gooden. Harrold was thrown out, Boyd taking third and scoring on Brumley's hit. Pace, who had gone out on infield flies on his first two trips to the plate, scored Brumley with a hit, pulling up at second and taking third on Hall's hit. Blackwell, u for the second time in the inning, walked, filling the bases, and Stuard fanned to retire the side.

Universal pushed over one more run in the seventh on two hits and scored four more in the eighth when they got eight hits after Boyd, who pitched for Ranger, was hurt by a batter ball, slowing him down considerably. Ranger's last rally came in the seventh when Boyd scored after getting his fourth hit of the evening, followed by hits by Harrold and Brumley.

Ranger made 22 hits to 13 for Universal Mills.

After the game the players and their manager, Rex L. May, stated that they wanted to come back to Ranger for another game, a double header being matched for Wednesday of this week. The players had lots of praise for the Ranger team, particularly the fielding of Stuard and third and Pace in the short field, while Boyd was rated as one of the best pitchers they had ever faced. They also complimented the Ranger fans for their sportsmanship, saying that the good natured razzing was so different from the open hostility they had noticed in the fans in many towns in which they had played.

Box score table with columns: Universal Mills, AB, H, R, E. Rows include players like Thomason cf, Pugsley 3b, Conally lf, etc.

Totals table with columns: AB, H, R, E. Rows include Ranger, Harrold cf, Brumley 2b, etc.

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The new Sinclair Service Station, recently taken over by Messrs. Carl Veale and E. V. Grimes, is now ready to render the best of service.

F. N. Hassen to Open A Store in Moran

F. N. Hassen, who has been assistant manager of the Hassen store for the past year, leaves today for Dallas and other buying centers, where he will buy merchandise for his store that will be opened in Moran in the next few weeks.

Comings and Goings

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Bendix leave today for Ft. Worth, where they will meet their daughter, Miss Emily Bendix, who is working in Austin.

tist Church will present a pageant "The Way of the Cross" Sunday evening at the church. The cast will include 21 girls from both the Intermediate and Junior divisions.

Legislature May Provide Fund For Prison Reforms

EDITOR'S NOTE—This is the last of three articles on the segregation and classification program now being conducted in the Texas prison system.

HUNTSVILLE—The Texas legislature may be called to provide funds for extending the segregation and classification program now in progress in the Texas prison system.

regating the men according to their behavior, capacities and interests. The second will be to provide a record for members of the state pardon board and parole board to study when the men become eligible for clemency.

of them will. Psychologists and psychiatrists working with prison officials will be enabled to interpret what sends men to prison in Texas and how to keep them from returning.

program is hailed as a forward step, as has the new system of voluntary county parole boards created by the current state administration.

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Mr. and Mrs. Alton Cherry and daughter, Jo Ann, of Midland, are visiting Mrs. John D. Gholson.

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Political Announcements

The Times is authorized to publish the following announcements of candidates for offices, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary August 22:

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FLATWOOD

H. B. Harris and family were Okra visitors this week. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson and daughter have gone to Wentover for a visit with Mrs. Robertson's parents. They will go from there to the Texas Centennial before returning home.

Little Jack Norton of Olden, is spending the week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Greizer.

George Laster, wife and daughter, of Frea are here for a visit in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dillon.

Little Miss Gene Justice has gone to Spur for an extended visit with her uncle, Geo. Justice and family there.

Mrs. W. H. Wilson spent Saturday night in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Doek Justice.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Lyerla, Mrs. Kenneth Garrett and boys visited their sister, Miss Ruby Lee Oglesby in San Angelo, Saturday.

We are glad to report Modell Herring is improving nicely at the Blackwell Sanitarium.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stokes and daughter, Faye, of Oklahoma, Miss Nanie Reynolds, of Bear Springs, were visiting O. G. Reese and family Friday of last week.

Earl Norris and wife, of Frea, came by Mr. and Mrs. Dillons' Friday on their way to the Centennial.

The people of this community met at the Tabernacle Friday night with Mr. Cook, County Agent, Mr. Barnhart, assistant agent and Miss Stewart, assistant C. H. D. A. The community decided to have a community fair on September 10th.

O. E. Lyerla was elected General Chairman.

Mr. J. B. Candler was elected Superintendent over the men, and Mrs. W. M. Grieger, Superintendent over the women.

There will be a community meeting at the church Friday night, August 14, to elect a committee for the different departments in the fair.

We would be glad to have all who are interested in a fair to meet with us on this date.

Miss Marie Hilburn, Misses Ruby and Vita Payne of Eastland, were dinner guests of Joy Drake Sunday.

SALEM NEWS

The farmers are almost through with their crops, however they are badly in need of rain.

Mr. and Mrs. Yancey left Wednesday to visit with her parents in Oklahoma. Mrs. Yancey has not seen her parents in 16 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Trammell visited her sister, Mrs. Ila Ridwine, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dunlay visited her parents down east last week while on their way between here and the Chaney Star. They lost a fruit jar containing their clothes smoothe, it was said; anyone finding the clothes will please return them.

Mrs. Del Rodgers visited Mrs. Ila Ridwine Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Watson are the proud parents of a baby girl, who has been named Darlie Von.

Mrs. Zilvin Fonville has been confined to the sick bed the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Varner of Fort Worth, visited his sister, Mrs. Ila Ridwine, Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ila Ridwine visited some folks at Jake Hamon Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Della Moore of Larenza, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. Murry Fonville.

Mrs. Zilla Perrin of Ranger, spent the week end with her parents.

BLANTON'S

(Continued from page 1) bilentian's re-election. He cited the printing of editorials against Blanton in the Washington Post.

Blanton was active in the holding company bill legislation, Patman pointed out. He said that, too, it was only natural utilities is favor Blanton's re-election.

The government's power program will ultimately mean a saving of \$24,000,000 for Texans and a billion dollars in the United States, Patman stated.

Patman was introduced by J. Frank Sparks, Eastland attorney.

Mountain School News

The crops in this community are suffering from lack of rain. The weather has been very hot the last week.

Mr. John Fonville, who is staying with his sister, Mrs. Mattie parks, drove to Camanche on business Thursday.

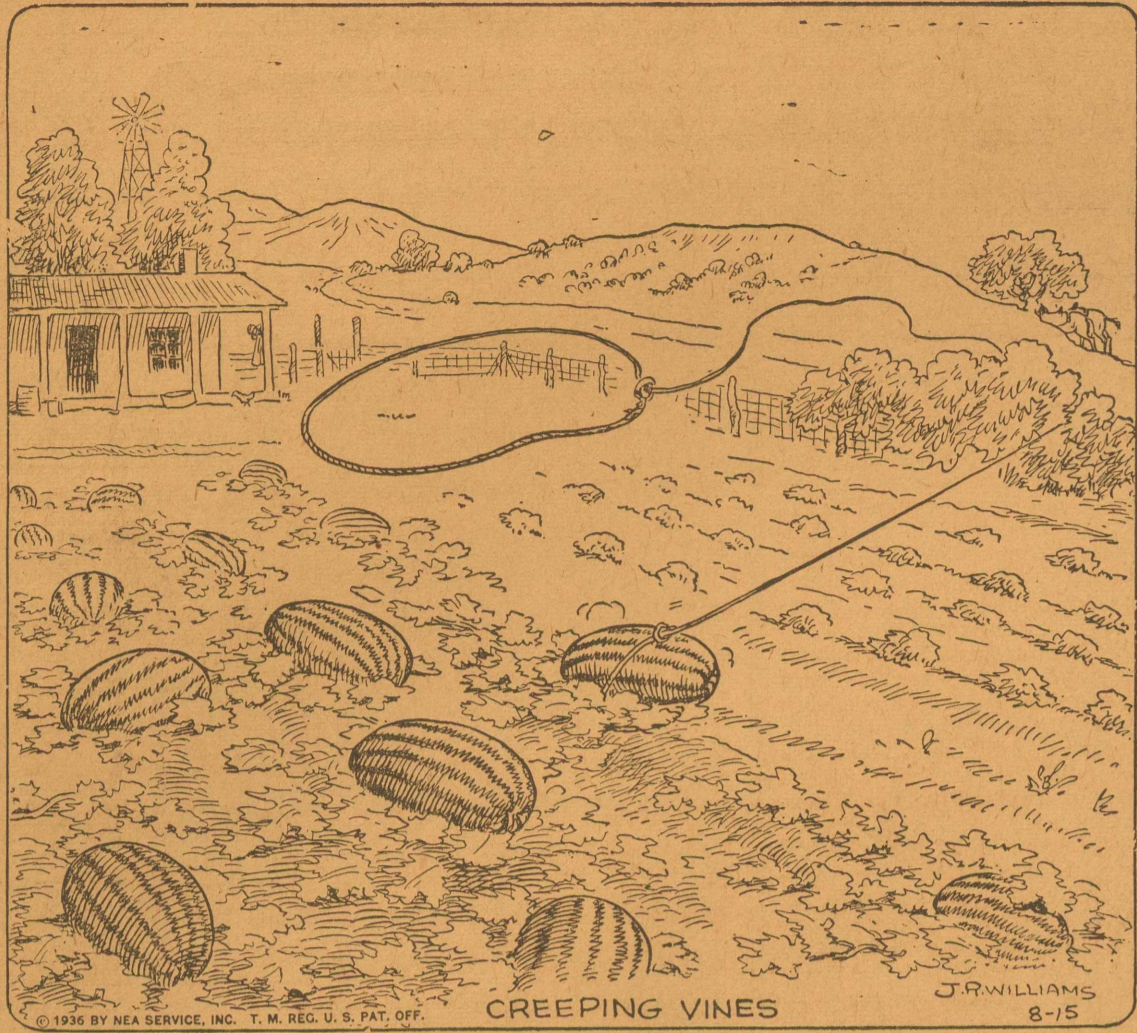
We are sorry that Mr. Dick wens lost one of his mules this week in a run-away. His son was following the mules when the run-away occurred. The boy was thrown from the plow uninjured, but one of the mules was killed. R. Owens has been unable to work for some time because of rheumatism.

Several of this community were in Stephenville first Monday, those there were: Ted Hall, Ulmer ogg, Clyde Hogg, J. L. Marrow, and John Fonville.

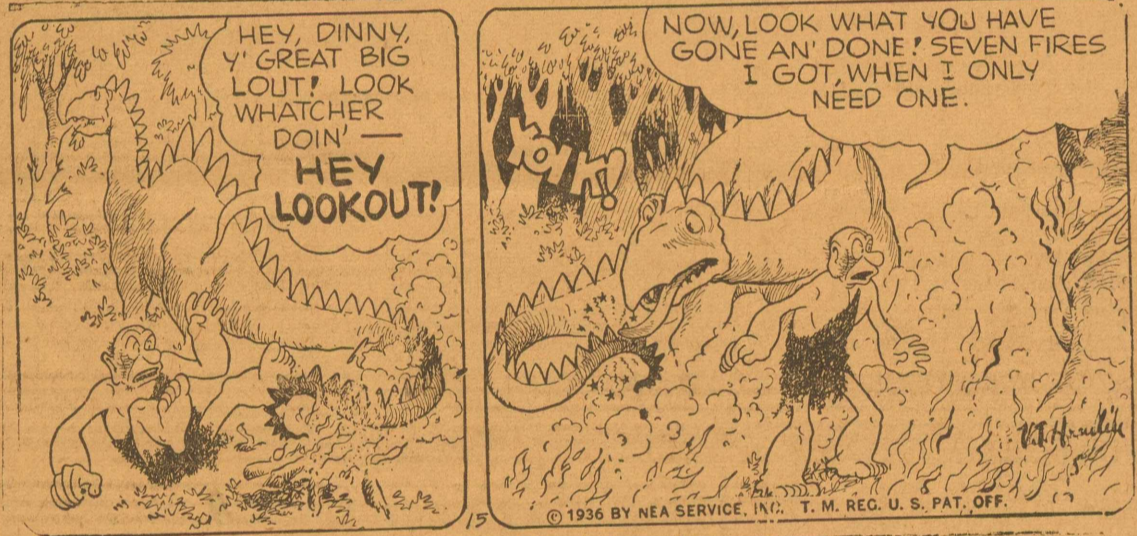
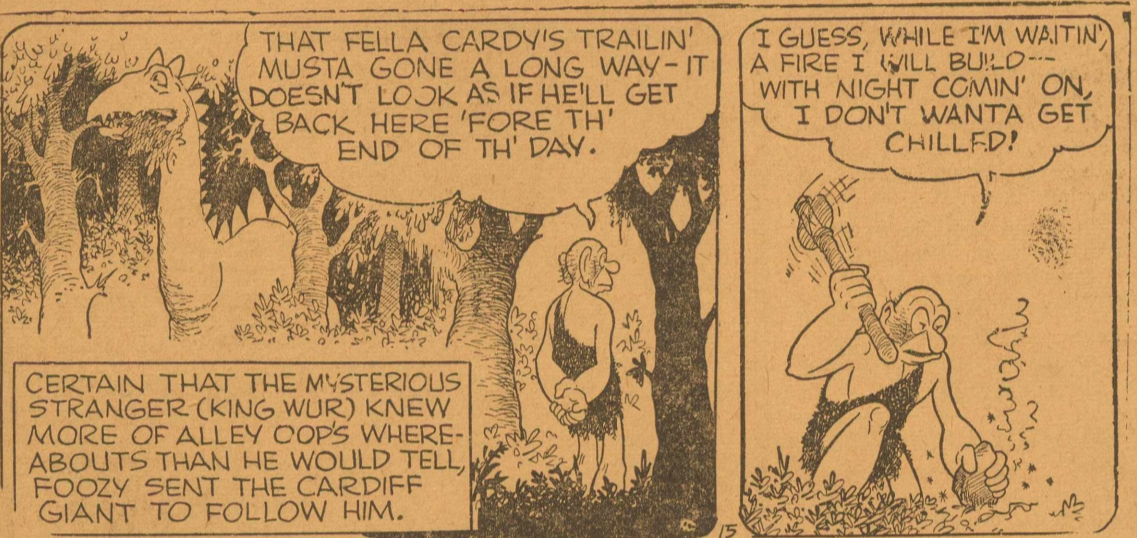
Mr. and Mrs. Bobb Riggs and family have been attending the Methodist meeting at Desdemona the past two weeks.

Mr. D. A. Rallins, of East Texas visited Mrs. Mattie Sparks last

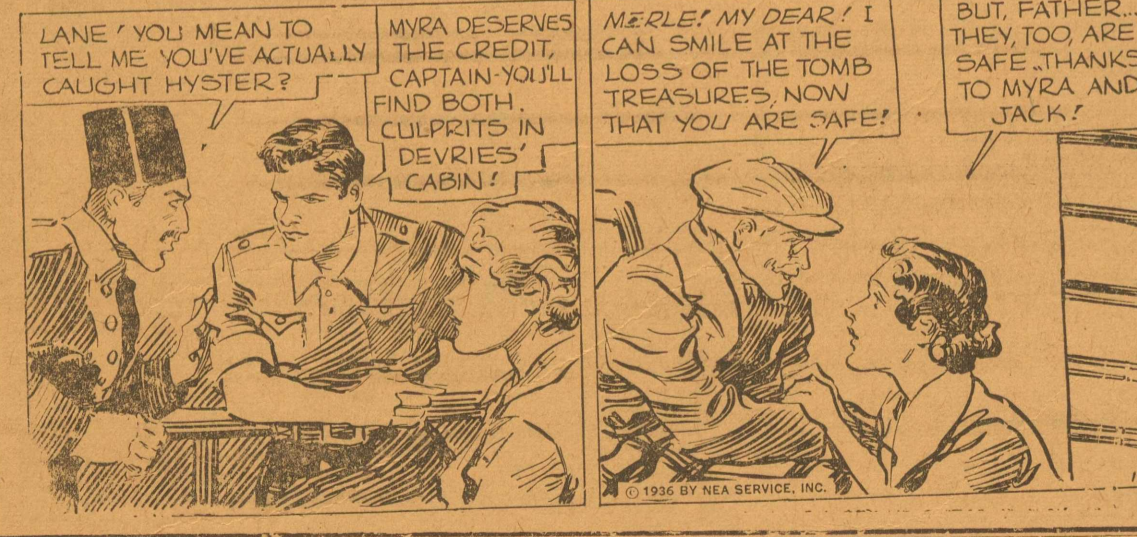
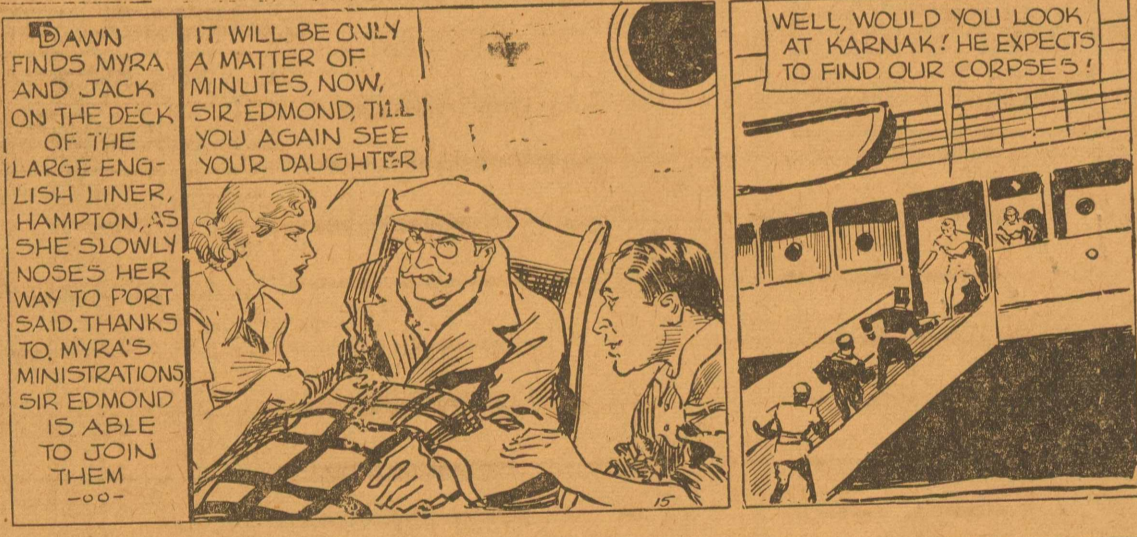
"OUT OUR WAY" - - - - - By Williams



ALLEY OOP - - - - - By HAMLIN



MYRA NORTH, Special Nurse - - By Thompson and Coll



Tuesday. Mrs. Lizzie Askew and son, Bill, were in De Leon last Wednesday. Mrs. Hardie Tidwell, and her mother, Mrs. S. T. Wilhite, of Desdemona, drove to Ranger last Saturday to take Mrs. Kenneth Paul who was leaving for her home in Randall, Kansas, after a two months stay in Texas. While here she visited many friends and relatives. She also visited in West Texas and Carlsbad, N. Mex., where she visited the Cavern and Davis Mountains and other interesting parts. Mr. and Mrs. Irma Abernathy, of near Lubbock, and their daughter, from Stephenville visited

Rich and Reckless

By Mary Raymond
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BEGIN HERE TODAY
MOLLY MILFORD, rich and popular, has received proposals of marriage from three suitors, but BRENT STEWART, whom she loves, has not asked her to marry him.

Bored with a succession of parties, all alike, Molly asks Brent to take her to "The Red Poppy," a questionable night club. He refuses. Molly, annoyed, goes with another admirer, WICK ROSS.

Later Brent arrives alone. "The Red Poppy" seems dull and uninteresting. Molly does not know that at a nearby table a group of men, including handsome NELSON FERGUSON, are watching her. The others at the table explain to Ferguson that they have an "important deal" on and want his help.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY
CHAPTER III
"THE Golden Girl, Nelse," the fat man repeated. The smile and the vicious tone didn't go together. "That's what she is, too. Golden with money. Her father is old Jay Milford, who has more millions than he knows what to do with. We kind of figure he would give half a million to get his girl back."

"Too dangerous. He'd have the whole federal outfit after us." "Not dangerous the way we plan it. We want you to erect a little smoke screen, crack open one of the smaller banks, and while the attention of the local boys is divided the girl disappears."

"Then, while the boys are still fretting themselves sick about that bank business, we get in a little demand note to the family, with nobody the wiser. That is, until gettin' wise is too late. You'll be back in Chicago with a good alibi, and we'll be running this place, same as we have been doing. Nobody could pin anything on us, because you did the job."

"And no risk taken!" "I wouldn't say that. The Walrus here will help you contact the family. We'll stage a fake raid at Frenchy's place across the river—some of our boys dressed up in police uniforms—so you can pull your stuff without the girl getting wise. We'll have the hide-out spotted."

"Frenchy's place. How do you know she'll go there with me?" "She's here tonight. And that fellow with her isn't as good-looking as you, Nelse. Nor half as smart, I'll bet. I have an idea you could get that girl to go almost anywhere!"

"Switch out the lights," Nelse said suddenly in a calm, professional tone.

THE orchestra had struck up again, and Molly and Wick were dancing.

The lights blurred suddenly and went out.

Molly was thinking, "Dancing in the dark. Dancing dangerously with all kinds of people dancing around you in a queer sort of intimacy."

A tall shadow—Brent, of course—had come close and was tapping Wick on the shoulder.

Molly was whirled away in the darkness. Brent was really a grand dancer, but tonight he was holding her too close.

The lights flared on at Molly gasped. She was looking into the deep blue eyes of a stranger—the good-looking young man who had stopped to speak to that group of men near her table a few minutes ago.

He said anxiously, eagerly: "Please be a good sport!"



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Standing against the wall, watching her with a frown on his face, was Brent. Coming toward her was Wick.

Molly raised a rebellious little flag. "Wick," she said quickly as he came nearer, "this is Sam Smith."

Wick bowed, without e... hand. "We'd better be starting," he said.

"After the next dance," Molly spoke impulsively. She saw the blue eyes of the stranger light unexpectedly. As the music began, his arms went around her and they danced away.

"I've decided to give you a chance to tell me why you wanted to meet me," Molly said.

"It's too long a story to tell now." His arms tightened a little. "I've been dreaming that some day I'd know you. All the time I knew I couldn't... not Molly Milford."

"Why—just because I'm Molly Milford?"

"No. Maybe it was that way at first... reading about you, wondering how it would feel to be a man who could dance with the Golden Girl, take her out to

"Silly name, isn't it?" Molly laughed a little uncertainly. "No," the stranger replied.

"I don't agree," Molly told him. "It's ridiculous. You're right, though, about this place being stupid. I came here because I was told it was dangerous and exciting. I don't know what I expected. Perhaps that people would be throwing things at each other. Or the police would come in and round everybody else up but me!"

"What a nice safe feeling!" His voice mocked a little. "You could never imagine the police looking for you!"

"No, could you?" "Not yet. But we never know what our impulses might lead to."

"I've decided it may be better not to know—"

"Nothing ever happens at Frenchy's—this place I'm talking about."

"Where do you work?" Molly queried.

"In a bank."

So he was just a nice young man who worked in a bank and was dreadfully romantic about her.

"If," the young man was saying in a soft, urgent tone, "I had gone to Harvard or Yale or Princeton you'd have gone out with me. But I only attended the University of the World and was left out of the Social Register—"

"That doesn't matter to me." "You mean it?"

BEFORE Molly could answer, there was Brent. A most determined Brent, cutting in with a vehemence that swept her into his arms like a resistless tide.

His voice was like ice. "What do you mean, dancing with strange men, you crazy little idiot?"

"Please don't talk to me as though I were still in kindergarten," Molly said. "And what right have you to assume—"

"Don't pretend with me. I saw your face when the lights went on. I suppose this is a regular feature of the place, giving some of the patrons a chance to meet upper class in a democratic sort of way."

"You sound like a snob," Molly replied. "And I hate snobs. I don't know why I ever imagine I am fond of you."

"Then you do imagine it sometimes, Molly?" He had pulled her closer in his arms.

"Not when you talk like this." "Well, whether you like me or not, you're not going to see that fellow again."

"Who's to prevent me, if I choose?" Molly's voice held a dangerous note.

"If I thought he'd dare to follow up and ask for a date, I'd go up the floor with him."

"You've no right to order me around."

"I have a right." There was a strange new note in Brent's voice. Molly's heart fluttered at the sound.

"What right?" "The right of a friend who isn't going to let you make a fool of yourself." Brent said slowly, after a moment of hesitation.

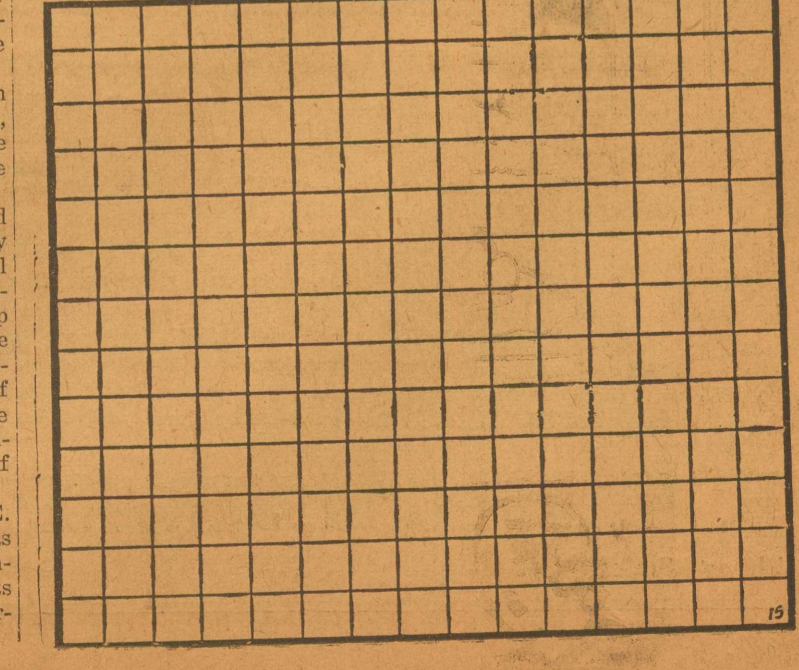
"Oh!" So that was all. Molly said furiously, "I don't like being told what not to do."

It hadn't occurred to her before. But now she was certain that if Sam Smith—or whatever his name was—invited her to have dinner with him she probably would go.

(To Be Continued)

Patternless Puzzle

HORIZONTAL
1 Ghosts.
7 Dung beetles.
14 To march formally.
15 Beast.
16 Component.
18 Personal contribution.
19 Tumor.
20 To inspire reverence.
22 To observe.
23 Ireland.
25 Group of war vessels.
27 Sweet secretion.
28 Artificial channel.
30 Measures.
32 Witticism.
33 Born.
35 Iron.
37 Flies.
40 Russian emperor.
42 Nocturnal animal.
44 Disfigure-ment.
46 Ready.
48 Cravat.
50 To free.
51 Revolves.
54 To debase.
57 A trembling.
58 Reaping machine.
59 Spanish shawls.
60 Commanders.
VERTICAL
1 Ejected.
2 More pallid.
3 Peaceful.
4 Male sheep.
5 Day in Roman month.
6 X.
8 Auto.
9 Source of indigo.
10 Chest bone.
11 Entertains.
12 Hawk that bates.
13 Drowsy.
17 High.
18 To abound.
21 You and I.
24 One that names.
25 Deadly.
26 Singing voice.
27 Ogle.
29 Negative word.
31 Beverage.
34 Commences.
35 Material.
36 Permits.
37 Brought legal proceedings.
38 To rub harshly.
39 Commands.
41 Fern seed.
43 Third note in scale.
45 Act of aiding.
47 To halt.
49 Epochs.
52 Wine vessel.
53 Before.
55 Age.
56 Rodent.



OUT OUR WAY

WITH THE WILLETS.
BY J. R. WILLIAMS

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I'D LIKE TO LEAVE A NOTE FOR WILLIS TO CUT THE GRASS - IT'S THE WORST LOOKING ON THE BLOCK. BUT...

BUT, IT'S NOT MUCH USE, BECAUSE HE LETS ON HE DIDNT SEE THE NOTE - WELL, LET'S THINK...

OH, WHAT'S THE USE? WE'D BETTER GO.

NO, WAIT! I HAVE IT! THAT OL' BOY IS GOING TO GET THE SURPRISE OF HIS LIFE!

SEE THIS? WE LOCK UP EVERY-THING BUT ONE WINDOW, SO THAT WILLIS CAN'T GET IN ANY OTHER WAY -

CUT THE GRASS

YES, YES - GO ON.

THEN, WHEN HE OPENS TH' WINDOW, I'M FIXING IT SO THIS BIG BOARD WILL POP RIGHT DOWN IN FRONT OF HIS EYES, AND HE'S BOUND TO SEE IT!

SOUNDS O.K.

THAT'S IT - PUT THE MOWER RIGHT UNDER TH' WINDOW -

OH, I'VE THOUGHT IT ALL OUT - WHEN HE LOOKS IN THE WINDOW AND DOESN'T SEE ANY NOTE AROUND, HE'LL CLIMB BOLDLY IN, AND... HA - HA...

WE HAVE THE FOX, THIS TIME! WE'VE OUT-FOXED HIM!

I'D LIKE TO SEE HIS EYES, WHEN THAT SIGN BOBS DOWN IN FRONT OF HIM!

WELL, WE'RE ALMOST HOME - I'M ANXIOUS TO SEE IF THE GRASS IS CUT -

THERE'S A POSSIBILITY THAT HE HASN'T BEEN HOME, YET -

YOU BET YOUR LIFE HE'S BEEN HOME - LOOK AT THIS PUDDING, HERE!

WELL, HE WON'T BE ABLE TO DENY HE SAW THE NOTE -

I SEE YOU WERE HOME WHILE WE WERE GONE! WILL YOU EXPLAIN WHY YOU DIDN'T MOW THE LAWN?

HOW DID I KNOW YOU WANTED IT CUT?

DO YOU DARE TO DENY THAT YOU SAW THIS, WHEN YOU CAME IN?

HOW COULD I SEE THAT? WHEN I OPENED TH' WINDOW, SLUMP'N HIT ME ON TH' HEAD AN' MADE ME GROGGY AND BLIND!

CUT THE GRASS

OH, YOU CAN'T DO A THING WITH HIM!

WAIT! I'LL GET HIM! HOW, THEN, COULD YOU SEE SO WELL IN THE ICE BOX?

OH - I STILL HAD MY SENSE OF TOUCH AND SMELL - THANK GOSH FER THAT!

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THE COMIC ZOO

By Scarbo

YA DON'T EXPECT TO CATCH ANYTHING, HUH?

WHY DON'T I?

WELL, I DON'T SEE A STRINGER ER A BASKET. YOU HAVEN'T ANY-THING TO PUT FISH IN.

THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK!

GEORGE SCARBO

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