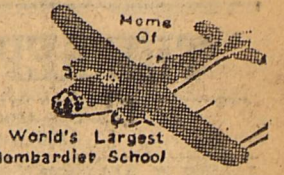




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# U.S. FLIERS BLAST MT. CASSINO

## Red Units Halt Nazi Tank Attack

### Russians Have No Drastic Territorial Designs On Finland

#### Soviets Are Expected To Demand Unconditional Surrender And Occupation Of Country

STOCKHOLM—(P)—The Finnish leader Juhu Kusti Paasikivi has conferred with the Russian minister to Sweden, Mme. Alexandra Kollontay and expects to meet her again, a Finnish legation source said Tuesday.

LONDON—(P)—Soviet Russia was reported Tuesday to have advised Finland she has no drastic designs upon Finnish territory but if the Finns want peace they must surrender unconditionally and grant Russian forces use of all their air and sea bases as well as internal communications facilities.

The London News-Chronicle in a dispatch from Stockholm said these terms had been "intimated unofficially" to Finnish leaders who arrived recently in the Swedish capital, presumably for the purpose of sounding out the Russians on the subject of peace.

Neither Helsinki nor Moscow gave any intimation contact had been established as a basis for peace negotiations.

It was clear, however, that the Finnish majority party—the Social Democrats—was putting strong pressure on the government to act and there were some intimations that the issue might precipitate a cabinet shakedown.

A summary of purely unofficial reports gave this picture of the terms which the Russians were said to have conveyed to the Finns:

(1)—Finland to surrender unconditionally, disarm her military forces and surrender all arms and equipment to Russia.  
(2)—Finland to permit Soviet occupation of her chief cities, railway centers and air and sea bases for the duration of the war against Germany.  
(3)—Finland to guarantee that German troops now in Finland—believed to number about seven divisions—would not be permitted to escape.  
(4)—Finland to cede Russia the Port of Petsamo, situated on the narrow tongue of Finnish territory which extends north to the Arctic Sea between Norway and the present Russian border.  
On her part Russia was said to have indicated a willingness to forego any further major territorial demands.

### German Losses Heavy In New Rescue Attempt

Moscow—(AP)—The Red Army has halted a heavy tank attack launched by the Germans northwest of Zvenigorodka in an unsuccessful attempt to rescue large Nazi forces hopelessly trapped in the Cherkassy pocket.

Fighting was most violent northwest of Zvenigorodka and west of captured Korsun, core of Nazi resistance in the Cherkassy death ring. Red Star pointed out that the ranks of the enemy within the trap have been markedly reduced.

Of the 100,000 to 150,000 Germans originally reported trapped by the Red Army, there is reason to believe that not more than 50,000 remain, Red Star said. The capture of Korsun, where resistance was especially fierce, saw many Nazis die, dispatches said.

Describing the unsuccessful German attempt at rescue, Red Star said that Soviet Stormovik dive bombers turned the rolling land northwest of Zvenigorodka into a field of flaming tanks.

On the Baltic front other Red Army forces were within 40 miles of Pskov, key to the Baltic states and western anchor of a German salient extending to Staraya Russa, 110 miles to the east. The Russians were sweeping south on a 70-mile-wide front between Luga and Looz Pjeppus, Moscow said.

Capture of Pskov would cut off from retreat those German forces still operating in the Lake Imen-Staraya Russa sector and would give the Russians a base from which operations to clear the Germans from the Baltic States could be launched.

### Shipping In Bay Of Biscay Hit By British Embargo

WASHINGTON—(P)—Secretary of the Navy Knox reported Tuesday the British have clamped an embargo on shipping through the Bay of Biscay that will be a major step toward halting completely any movement of supplies into Germany.

He told a news conference that the action parallels the efforts of the American fleet to halt blockade runners moving from Japanese-held ports with war materials vitally needed by Germany.

Knox reported that American carrier and land-based planes are "operating at will" in the Marshall Islands area of the Pacific.

He said islands in the eastern group of the Marshalls, cut off from supplies by American occupation of Kwajalein, are facing serious problems and that garrisons on those islands may face starvation.

Knox said that American bombers attacking enemy bases throughout the mid-Pacific are meeting only meager Japanese fighter opposition and light anti-aircraft fire, indicating the enemy is short of ammunition and planes.

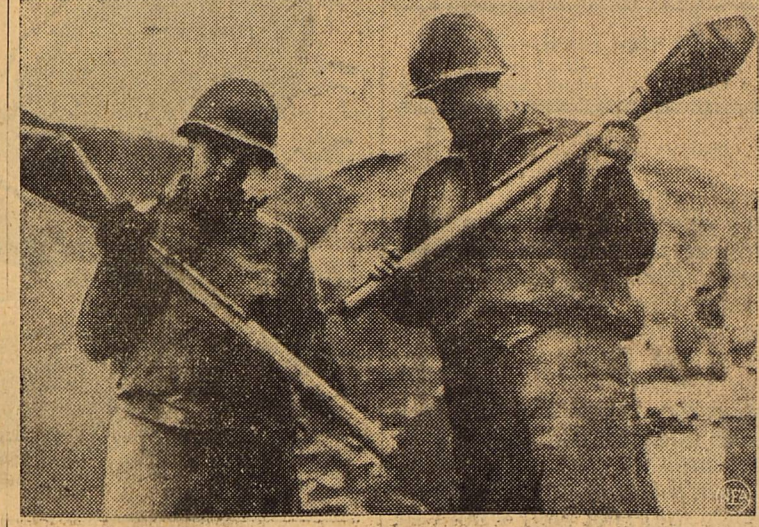
Knox, referring to them as "the tumor department," quoted Tokyo broadcasts asserting that since the first of the year 1,065 American planes have been shot down in action in the Rabaul area. On the contrary, he said, our losses that "I think are approximately 30 or 40 planes."

### FDR Asks Senate To Ratify Mexico Pact

WASHINGTON—(P)—President Roosevelt asked the Senate Tuesday to ratify a treaty between the United States and Mexico pertaining to use of the waters of the Colorado and Tijuana Rivers and of the Rio Grande from Fort Quitman, Texas, to the Gulf of Mexico.

The treaty was signed here Feb. 3. With it, Mr. Roosevelt sent the Senate a report on the pact by Secretary of State Hull.

### Nazis Have Bazooka, Too



Looking even more like Bob Burns' famous bazooka than does our own rocket projector of that name, the two weapons pictured above are German bazookas captured near Cassino, Italy. Examining them are Pfc. Carl Swenson, left, Austin, Minn., and Corp. Dean Alexander, Oklahoma City, Okla.

### Flying Forts Smash Nazi Fortress

By EDWARD KENNEDY  
ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, ALGIERS—(AP)—U. S. Flying Fortresses Tuesday bombed Mount Cassino and its historic monastery, transformed by the Nazis into a fortress, beginning an all-out offensive to crack the German line while ground troops maintained pressure both in the Cassino and Anzio invasion bridgehead areas.

The bombs, some hitting the Benedictine abbey founded in 529 A. D., rained down in support of

### 300 Germans Flee Battered Monastery

NAPLES—(P)—Allied ground forces poured heavy fire into Germans who fled the Benedictine monastery atop Mt. Cassino Tuesday after it was bombed by Flying Fortresses. Three hundred Germans were caught in artillery fire, a military spokesman here said Tuesday.

At the first explosion from the air bombs about a hundred Germans ran out of the monastery and were raked with fire. After the second attack 200 Germans made a break for fresh cover but were caught in artillery fire.

American infantry crawling up the hill against machine-gun and artillery fire, and followed a warning to monks and citizen refugees to vacate the abbey.

Doubtful troops battling in Cassino below were said unofficially to have occupied one-third of that bastion town in bitter house-to-house fighting.

On the invasion bridgehead to the west, Allied troops threw back (Continued on Page 6)

### GOP Council May Rehearse Platform

WASHINGTON—(P)—The GOP, faced with a probable convention battle over foreign policy, may preview its presidential campaign platform at a meeting of the Republican Postwar Advisory Council before delegates meet in Chicago on June 25 to nominate the ticket.

Although National Chairman Harrison E. Spangler has made no move to convene the council since its Mackinac Island conference in September, Senator Taft (R-Ohio) suggested the group ought to meet at least a week in advance to complete a report for submission to the conventions resolutions committee.

Senator Vandenberg (R-Mich) said he probably would ask a foreign policy subcommittee of the council to meet and "take a last look at international developments" before it reports finally.

Vandenberg told a reporter that so far he sees no need of altering the Mackinac foreign policy statement, which pledged "responsible participation by the United States in postwar cooperation organization among sovereign nations to prevent military aggression and to attain permanent peace with organized justice in a free world."

### 100 American Flying Forts Pour Explosives Into Ancient Abbey

By LYNN HEINZERLING  
WITH THE FIFTH ARMY AT CASSINO—(AP)—Scores of American Flying Fortresses poured salvos of heavy bombs across the peak of Mount Cassino early Tuesday, some squarely hitting the famous Benedictine Monastery converted by the Germans into a fortress.

High explosives from at least two strings of bombs smashed directly on the roof of the sturdy old abbey, founded in 529 A. D. by St. Benedict.

Nazi troops have taken up position there, Allied headquarters declared, to send murderous fire against U. S. troops assaulting the hill overlooking the town of Cassino.

Smoke poured from the roof of the abbey itself, and the earth-shaking bombs sent up great plumes of gray and black smoke.

The British radio, in a broadcast heard by CBS, said "100 Flying Fortresses flew over the peak of Mt. Cassino and pounded German positions there."  
(The German communique broadcast by Berlin said Mt. Cassino ab-

### 'Eve Of St. Mark' To Be Presented At Auditorium

It will be a real "first night" Tuesday evening at the Civic Auditorium when the curtain goes up on the famous Maxwell Anderson play, "The Eve of St. Mark."

In addition to being the first appearance of this outstanding war play in Midland, it will mark the first all soldier show to be produced here having a cast of officers, cadets, WACs, and enlisted men of MAAF.

Starts At 8:15  
Curtain time for the play will be at 8:15 p. m. Seats will be available only to persons holding tickets distributed with War Bond purchases.

Persons wishing to buy their extra War Bonds at the auditorium may do so and receive their tickets at the door.

The play, Midland's final contribution to the Fourth War Loan drive, is being produced with the Midland Civic Theater group cooperating, and every effort has been made to make it one of the finest stage productions Midland has ever seen.

"The Eve of St. Mark" was a Broadway hit and was selected as one of the 10 best for the 1942-43 season by Burns Mantle, famous drama critic.

Music for the production will be furnished by the 630th Army Band under the direction of M/Sgt. Thomas Marcell.

### War Department Prepares National Cemetary Program

WASHINGTON—(P)—The War Department is rounding out a program for a "very considerable number" of new national cemeteries, with at least one for each state.

The House Appropriations Committee reported this Tuesday in submitting a \$86,911,440 supply bill for 1945 civil functions of the War Department.

"It will be necessary in the not distant future to provide additional burial areas for the internment of the remains of soldiers," the committee said in reference to a \$1,224,000 allotment for cemetary expenses.

Except for \$9,170,000 for the Panama Canal, \$1,177,500 for maintenance and operation of the soldiers' home, \$227,840 for the Alaska communications system, and the allotment for cemetary expenses, all the money in the bill is allocated to the corps of engineers.

Of the \$75,112,100 earmarked for the engineers, \$46,800,000 is for river and harbor work, including \$89,000 for work on the Gulf intra-coastal waterway.

TITO SENDS REGARDS  
MOSCOW—(P)—Marshal Josip Broz (Tito), commander of the Yugoslav Army of Liberation, sent a message Tuesday congratulating Yugoslavs fighting with the Russian forces and expressing gratitude to the Red Army "for its leading role in liberating enslaved countries."

### Midland War Bond Purchases Near Huge Goal Of \$1,330,000 Tuesday

War Bond purchases were brisk in Midland Tuesday and indications were the city will exceed its goal of \$1,330,000 in the Fourth War Loan campaign on schedule Tuesday night.

Purchases of Series E bonds, however, apparently were not in sufficient volume to meet the quota of \$385,000 set for Midland County by officials in charge of the national campaign.

War Bond purchases here Monday totaled \$49,390.75, bringing the total here since Jan. 1 to \$1,313,038.25, only \$16,961.75 short of the goal.

Purchases of Series E bonds Monday totaled only \$46,667.75, bringing the total of the campaign to \$271,667.20, which is \$7,332.80 below the quota.

Campaign leaders rallied their forces again Tuesday in an effort to boost Series E bond sales and hoped the total could be increased materially.

Purchasers Monday included the Interoceanic Petroleum Corporation \$5,000, and employees of the Honolulu Oil Corporation \$881.25.

Midland has never failed to meet a war drive quota and leaders are confident of success in the Fourth War Loan campaign, which closes here officially Tuesday night with presentation of the play "The Eve of St. Mark" by the Midland Army Air Field, at the Civic Auditorium at 8:15 p. m. Tickets to the play are presented to War Bond purchasers by bond issuing agencies.

### Election Judges Are Appointed By County

County commissioners at their meeting Monday afternoon appointed 1944 election judges for Midland County. The judges are: Mrs. Gladys Tolbert, Precinct No. 1; Mrs. Herman Fisher, Precinct No. 2; Warren Skages, Precinct No. 3; T. J. Miles, Precinct No. 4; E. D. Richardson, Precinct No. 5.

The commissioners court also approved routine reports and expenses of county departments.

### War Bulletins

NEW YORK—(AP)—Max Hill, NBC reporter on the Cassino front, radioed Tuesday that Allied artillery units began shelling the Benedictine monastery on Mount Cassino after more than 100 American planes had bombed the building, converted into an observation fortress by the Germans.

LONDON—(AP)—The Rome radio said that Rome was bombed at 10:30 a. m. Tuesday. "Allied planes dived down to machine-gun the population," the broadcast asserted.

LONDON—(AP)—The Admiralty Tuesday declared "dangerous to shipping" a 7,000-square-mile area skirting the French and Spanish coasts, including most of the Bay of Biscay and the southwestern approaches to England.

STOCKHOLM—(AP)—German veterans of the Russian front are fighting against "Americans from Texas" in the battle for Cassino, the German-controlled Scandinavian telegraph bureau said Tuesday.

### Five Indictments Are Returned By Grand Jury Here

Five indictments were returned late Monday by the Midland County grand jury, including a bill charging rape.

Jack Hulseby was charged with a criminal attack last Jan. 28 upon a relative from Oklahoma who was visiting in his home. He was arrested by police the night of the attack and turned over to county authorities.

Mrs. Joseph L. Vegara was indicted for giving an insufficient fund check for \$67.94 to a Midland store last Jan. 26.

Burglary Is Charged  
Baker Wesson and Jack Phillips were indicted for burglary in the same bill in connection with the robbery of the "Limit" Sandwich Shop Jan. 18. Police said about \$17 was taken from the nickelodeon and a cigaret vending machine in the cafe. The men told officers they got only about \$10 or \$12.

John Rawlings Jr. was indicted for the theft of an automobile from Joe Wilson last Dec. 23.

The fifth indictment charged D. H. Tidmore with forgery of a \$70 check last Dec. 17.

All defendants have been apprehended by officers. After the indictments were returned, the jurors were excused by District Judge Cecil C. Collins until March 8.

### Dr. J. G. Hall Dies In Lubbock

Dr. J. G. Hall, former resident of Midland, died Monday afternoon at 6 o'clock at his home in Lubbock. He is survived by his widow.

Dr. Hall was a member of the Methodist Church here and had ranching interests in Midland County. He moved to Lubbock about 18 years ago.

Funeral services will be conducted at 11 a. m. Wednesday in his residence in Lubbock.

### Divorce Costs Are Paid With Pennies

After winning a divorce, a negro woman poured 280 pennies into the hands of her attorney Tuesday to pay costs of the case in Midland County District Court.

The attorney also received his fee in pennies and small change which the woman said she had been saving for months to pay the costs of the case.

The attorney, the judge, the district clerk and the court reporter, and a visiting attorney aided in counting and wrapping the coins.

### Willkie To Run For President

PORTLAND, ORE.—(P)—Wendell Willkie Monday night formally announced his candidacy for the Republican presidential nomination and selected Ralph H. Cake, Oregon's GOP national committeeman, as his pre-convention campaign manager.

### Berlin Reports Red Landing At Narva Bay

LONDON—(P)—Berlin radio declared Tuesday that a "small" Soviet amphibious force landed Monday in Narva Bay behind the German line in Estonia.

The "landed enemy force made several attacks on a coastal battery but was repelled with heavy losses," the broadcast said.

### Denies ATS Order

LONDON—(P)—War Minister Sir James Grigg told Commons Tuesday he was unaware of any order issued to the ATS (Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service) forbidding them to speak to American negro troops except in the presence of whites.

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# Society

## Mrs. H. C. Watson Is Hostess To Circle

The Belle Bennett Circle of the First Methodist Church met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. C. Watson. The study, "God and the Problem of Suffering," was given by Mrs. G. L. Shoemaker. Mrs. Bill Wyche and Mrs. O. F. Hedrick. Refreshments were served to the following: Mesdames Mary Ray, C. C. Watson, O. L. Crooks, R. L. Aikins, R. E. Throckmorton, G. L. Shoemaker, Bill Wyche, O. F. Hedrick, C. P. Wilson, Roy McKee, J. P. Carson and the hostess.

## Civic Music Club To Meet Tuesday

The Civic Music Club will meet Tuesday evening in the North Elementary Auditorium with Mrs. Delbert Downing acting as leader. This meeting is in place of the regular one postponed from last Tuesday.

## Goldsmith Chapter Honors Deputy Matron

The Goldsmith chapter of the Eastern Star entertained honoring Mrs. Daisy Sutton, the district grand deputy matron. Monday evening with a Valentine-sweetheart party. The present and past matrons were also extended a courtesy. A coffee was served after the party.

Those from Midland attending were Mesdames Joe Dobson, Fred Wood, Mary Ray, Pat Barber, G. C. Driver, Stella Chandler, C. H. Campbell, Mable Hargrove, and J. Wayne Campbell.

## Mrs. Gwyn Welcomed To Mary Scharbauer Circle

Mrs. F. H. Gwyn was welcomed as a new member of the Mary Scharbauer Circle of the First Methodist Church when it met Monday at the home of Mrs. J. P. Ferguson.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Mrs. H. M. Reigle. Mrs. R. P. Simpson, circle leader, conducted a short business session. In the absence of the study leader, Mrs. George Vannaman, Mrs. Reigle and Miss Frances Ferguson gave the lesson on "Suffering, the Result of Sin."

Refreshments were served to Mesdames Simpson, J. P. Carson Jr., J. L. Barber, Reigle, Gwyn, Mollie McCormick, Mary Lou Snodgrass, J. C. Gaffney, Miss Ferguson and the hostess.

Mrs. Barber will be hostess at the next meeting Feb. 23 at her home, 311 North Baird.

## Esther Circle Meets With Mrs. L. C. Mills

The Esther Circle of the First Presbyterian Church Auxiliary met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. L. C. Mills, 608 North Marienfield.

The meeting opened with prayer by Mrs. J. B. Richards, who also presided at the brief business meeting. Mrs. Ray Pool led the devotional study on "Frisilla and Aquila, Faithful Stewards of the Word."

The program leader was Mrs. W. P. Knight. Her topic was "After the Silence of the Centuries," a discussion of the problem of illiteracy and how it is being met by world wide missions. The meeting closed with the Mizpah benediction.

Refreshments were served by the hostess to the following members and guests: Mesdames L. G. Byrley, R. C. Crabb, C. A. McClintic, Knight, M. Schuppel, Pool, Richards, Mills, W. R. Johnson, and Lela Reed, guests.

## "Spring Garden"



"Spring Garden" is the title of the cotton pique dress splashed with yellow and lavender flowers, worn here by Elaine Reley. The border print of the fabric has been deftly handled to create a lively and original effect in the jacket contrasted with the white spaced design in the skirt. Elaine will be seen in RKO Radio's "Around The World."

## Coming Events

### WEDNESDAY

The Modern Study Club will meet at 3:15 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Charles Sherwood, 611 West Cuthbert.

The Woman's Wednesday Club will meet with Mrs. George Glass, 911 West Texas, at 3 p. m.

The business women's unit of the Red Cross will meet at the county courthouse at 7:30 p. m.

The Red Cross workroom in Old Heidelberg Inn will be open from 9 a. m. to 12 noon in the morning and 1:30 p. m. to 5 p. m. in the afternoon.

The Play Readers club will meet at 3:45 p. m. with Mrs. John P. Butler, 1603 Holloway. Miss Ruth Anderson will read the play.

Girl Scout Troop 5 will have a tea and court of awards at the home of Mrs. L. C. Link, 1411 West Texas, at 4 p. m.

Mrs. L. G. Byrley will speak on the library program over KRLH from 3:15 p. m. to 3:30 p. m.

### THURSDAY

The Red Cross surgical dressing rooms in the county courthouse will be open from 9 a. m. to 12 noon and 1 p. m. to 4 p. m.

International Relations study group of the AAUW will meet at 8 p. m. at the home of Miss Mary Spencer, 512 West Storey.

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From 9:30 a. m. to 11:30 a. m. Mrs. Gretchen Kidd will conduct a Girl Scout leaders meeting in the First Presbyterian Church. In the afternoon from 2 p. m. to 4 p. m., she will conduct a Brownie leaders meeting.

The Belmont Bible Class will meet in the Scharbauer Building of the First Methodist Church at 3 o'clock.

### SATURDAY

The Treble Clef Juvenile Music Club will meet at the Watson Studio.

The children's hour in the basement of the Midland County Library will be held at 3:30 p. m.

## Women Use Sewing Machines At School

Seven Midland women took advantage of the opportunity to sew on machines in the Midland High School clothing laboratory Monday afternoon and others indicated they would come to the laboratory next Monday, Principal G. B. Rush said Tuesday.

The room, he said, will be open each Monday afternoon to women needing assistance in cutting, fitting or sewing. Women who desire to use sewing machines are invited to attend the sessions.

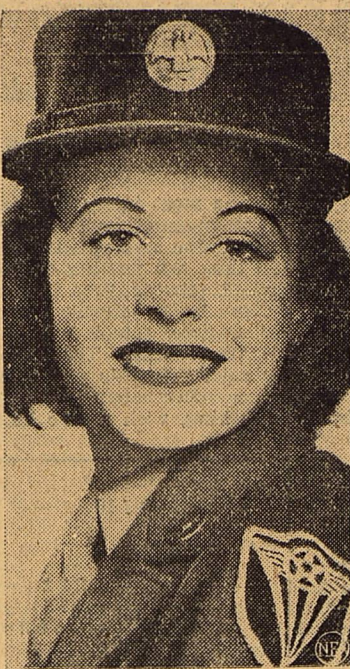
## Mrs. Kolm Hostess To Women's Auxiliary

Mrs. Paul Kolm was hostess to the Women's Auxiliary of the Trinity Episcopal Church Monday afternoon at her home, 710 West Cuthbert.

The meeting was opened with the Auxiliary and Lord's prayers. Following the short business session, a pamphlet of the symbols of the church was presented by Mrs. J. P. Ruckman. Mrs. D. C. Sivals gave the benediction.

Those present were Mesdames J. N. Allison, Felix Ankley, J. P. Butler, B. K. Buffington, C. G. Cooper, I. E. Daniel, Chappell Davis, C. L. Griffin, W. M. Harkrider, W. D. Henderson, W. T. Hoey, Eugene Russell, D. C. Sivals and C. D. Vertrees.

## Shows Her Colors



Pfc. Cassia Heath, Trunton, Mass., stationed at McChord Field, Wash., displays new shoulder insignia of Fourth Air Force. Gold-bordered marine blue shield bears Air Corps star with four golden rays.

## Delta Kappa Gamma Has Luncheon Meeting

Beta Kappa chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma had a luncheon meeting Saturday afternoon in the Scharbauer Building of the First Methodist Church. The chapter is composed of members from Odessa, Big Spring, Sterling City and Midland.

A Valentine motif was carried out in the decorations and menu. Red and white carnations and lighted, red candles were used.

Following the luncheon a program was given. Mrs. Lee Cornelius and Mrs. Holt Jewell played a piano duet. Miss Louise Blackwell discussed teen-age delinquency, and Miss Martha Ann Harding from Big Spring reviewed the book, "Better Selection of Better Teachers."

Those from Big Spring were: Misses Martha Ann Harding, Anne Martin, Louise Holden, Kathryn Mollay and Lecha Amerson. The Misses Pauline Eulsterbaum, Dorothy Ray, Winnie Mae Moore, Ina Mae McCollum, Eu Jean Smith, Helen Brewer, Marjorie Sue McLelland, La Marylis Wall, Rita Cox, Sunshine Adams, Ida McCown, Margaret Logsdon, Dortha Orenbaum, Esther Plank, Nelle Rayburn, Grace Robertson, Mrs. Robert L. Vickers and Mrs. Murray Fly next present from Odessa and Miss Rena Ball from Sterling City.

The Midland representation included: Misses Mary Lowry, Winnie Heizer, Mildred Hold, Margaret Stuart, Iva Butler, Theresa Klapproth, Ruth Carden, Mrs. Jack Ellington and Mrs. Alma Thomas.

## Bible Lesson Studied By Baptist Circle

Mrs. C. M. Dunagan taught the last lesson in the Bible study when the Mary Elizabeth Circle of the First Baptist Church met Monday morning with Mrs. T. Paul Barron.

The meeting was opened with a prayer by Mrs. John Dunagan. Mrs. Russell Howard presided over a short business session and the meeting was closed with a unison prayer. Those present were Mrs. B. C. Girdley, Mrs. John Dunagan, Mrs. Clint Dunagan, Mrs. Russell Howard, Mrs. O. L. Beville, Mrs. Gerald Wakefield, Mrs. J. Howard Hodge and the hostess.

Mrs. Ben Black will be hostess at the next meeting, Monday morning at 9:30 o'clock.

## Laura Haygood Circle Has Monday Meeting

The lesson study was led by Mrs. Luther Tidwell. Mrs. Jack Keen, and Mrs. J. C. Vian at the Monday meeting of the Laura Haygood Circle of the First Methodist Church. A prayer was offered and announcement of the World Day of Prayer was made. It will be held February 25 at the Trinity Episcopal Church.

Refreshments were served to: Mesdames Tidwell, Keen, Vian, Hugh Duncan, Otis Ligon, C. C. Thomas, C. M. Chase, A. B. Stickney, V. G. Stoltz, W. A. Black, T. A. Fanning, Ray Trammell, D. A. Pass, the hostess, and a visitor, Mrs. L. Fielding.

## Cadet Mason Marries Miss Irene Gradel

Miss Irene M. Gradel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Gradel of Winona, Minn., and Cadet Gadmire F. Mason, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. I. Mason of the same city, were married Saturday evening in a double ring ceremony read by Chaplain Patrick J. Toomey in the Post Chapel.

The bride, whose flowers were gardenias and red roses, wore a white wool street-length dress with black accessories. Her matron of honor, Mrs. Mary J. May, was attired in a dusty rose wool street-length dress with black accessories and wore a corsage of white sweet-peas and pink roses.

Cadet Roy M. May was best man. Cadet and Mrs. Mason, who both attended Winona High School, will live in Midland. He also attended Winona State Teachers College.

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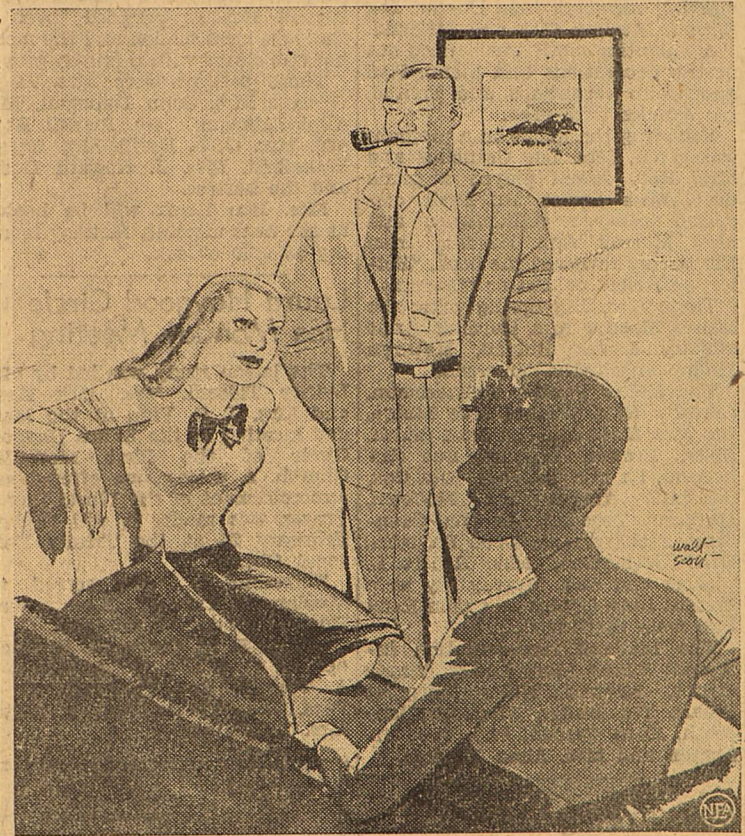


**THE STORY:** Kitty Bishop comes to the suburban home of her brother, Ben Graham, and his wife, Peg, to recuperate from her sudden divorce. Young Bunny Graham makes the mistake of making for Collins, Kitty's ex-husband. He is promptly squelched by his older sister, Jane.

# TOMORROW FAIR

By Winifred Halsted

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"Collins," said Ben, "likes to see the wheels go round."  
"Yes," said Kitty. "The bigger, the faster, the more Collins likes it..."

The Bishop marriage was a war casualty?  
"Why does he go to Washington so much," she asked aloud, reluctant to go on but more reluctant to change the subject, "on account of Mr. Halleck?"  
Mr. Halleck was the senior partner of Collins' law firm and Peg knew that he had bequeathed to Collins a great deal of more important work than would ordinarily have come his way, for a while. The war had sent Mr. Halleck to Washington to defend for a dollar a year, had speeded up Collins' life and dumped his future into his present.  
"Yes, mostly," Kitty answered her. "Mr. Halleck's still a partner, in a remote way. Collins goes down to consult him about things in New York, and then he consults Collins, sort of off-side, about perfectly gigantic government legal things."  
"Collins," said Ben, "would love that. He likes to see the wheels go round."  
"Yes," said Kitty. "The bigger, the faster, the more Collins likes it..."

The subject of Collins hung unfinished in the air but no one seemed moved to carry on with it, not even Peg. Not that it, until later when they were in the living room after dinner.  
Peg got up, offered Kitty cigarettes with a quaint air of resolution, and announced that she'd been thinking.  
"You know," she said, "I started to say something more at dinner, and then I didn't. It reminded me of what you said when you came in, Kitty, about not being tactful, and I think you're right. Because if we all feel strange every time we mention Collins we'll just sit around and gag and never get anything normal out. So what I was going to say," Peg accelerated a little in spite of herself, "was that success is complicated, and Collins is really

# McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY  
America's Card Authority

One of the most interesting features of tournament bridge is the heated discussion among the players while they are waiting for the scores to be computed. Fred D. Kaplan, a New York attorney, often advances a good sound argument in these discussions. The other night he said, "Why do people bid so much on a five-card suit headed by the ace-king, with a side king?"

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It's a good-looking hand on paper, but it will get you into trouble. If a player has a five-card suit headed by the ace-king-queen-jack, you can't stop his bidding. Now picture both partners holding a five-card suit to the ace-king and a side king!

Someone said, "But, Fred, with both partners holding a five-card suit to the ace-king and each with a side king, there ought to be a game if they play it in the right spot."  
Then Kaplan pulled out a pencil and wrote down today's hand. He gave North and South each a solid five-card suit with 150 honors, and a side king. He said, "Play it at no trump, and the opponents take the first six tricks. Play it at spades, the opponents take the first six tricks. Play it at hearts, the opponents take the first six tricks. Well, I guess he has something there."

**BRACING NEWS**  
HARTFORD, CONN. (AP)—Mrs. Edward M. Curtin Jr. has asked the Red Cross to help her get word to her husband, an Army lieutenant, last reported in a North African hospital.  
She wants him to know that not one, but two surprises await his return home. Their names are Sheila and Mauri Curtin.

**IDLE TALK MAKES FRIENDS**  
AKRON, Ohio (AP)—Idle Marine talk in far-off Australia has made close friends of Mary Lou McBride and Sarah LaCausa. Their husbands met in Australia. In casual conversation they found both had wives working in the Goodyear plant here. Through letters from their husbands, the young wives became acquainted.

**HOLD EVERYTHING**  
That's Olaf Lindquist, the ski expert!  
"My fingernails won't last until March 15," McNiff explained.

ON the whole, dinner passed off smoothly. Lulu had rather original ideas about waiting on table but the food she put on and took off with more vigor than attention to fine points was good. Bunny's unstable spirits had discarded all recollection of his brief mortification and he worked his way contentedly through dinner paying very little attention to those around him. His sister Jane was very busy. She had to watch Kitty like a hawk, prepared to pounce at the first sign of a lapse from good manners or tact. She also had the adult conversation to keep track of.

Kitty had felt a little strange when they first sat down at table. It was the first time in so long that she had been at the Grahams' without Collins. She was surprised and disappointed to find creeping in on her again that chilly sense of isolation which had bothered her all the way up from Florida on that crowded train. She realized apprehensively that it might be possible to feel more alone in the middle of a family than when surrounded by other transient, unattached people. In addition to her own troubles Kitty was conscious of an added edge of discomfort contributed by the obvious care with which Peg and Ben avoided mentioning Collins. Lulu started her by whizzing a salad past her nose like a bat and Kitty pulled herself together. At least she could ease the strain for Peg and Ben, she decided, by mentioning Collins herself and getting it over with.

"Have you talked to Collins lately, Ben?"  
"Why, yes, yes I have, once or twice."  
Kitty put his odd tone down to delicate embarrassment, and Peg made a mental note to investigate it later. Bunny's attention circled daintily back to his immediate surroundings.

"Will Collins come later?" he asked plaintively, and instinctively removed his right shin from his sister's range.  
BUNNY really missed Collins who was a lavish buyer of doubtful merchandise whose sale netted treasure like two-gun holsters, and he had a wonderful way with collapsing aeroplane models. Bunny's father did his dutiful best but as Peg often remarked more in patient sorrow than anger, Ben was afflicted by feeble-mindedness in the hands.

"Perhaps," she said now, diplomatically, to close the subject.  
But Bunny persisted with the unconquerable tenacity of childhood. "Where is he now, anyway?"  
"Probably betwixt and between," said Kitty.  
This kind of an answer was perfectly acceptable to Bunny, and Peg knew he was happily engaged in making up in his mind what kind of a place betwixt and between might be. But:  
"Where?" said Jane skeptically.  
"Between what?"  
"Between Washington and New York. That's where he spends most of his time."  
Success was so much harder to handle than struggle, Peg Graham thought. Struggle requires only rude battling and staying powers; success demands all the adult complexities of balance and judgment and poise. All this war business had speeded things up so for Collins' Bishop and war was such a universal dislocator—could it be possible that indirectly

# Maybe There'll Be More Butter Now

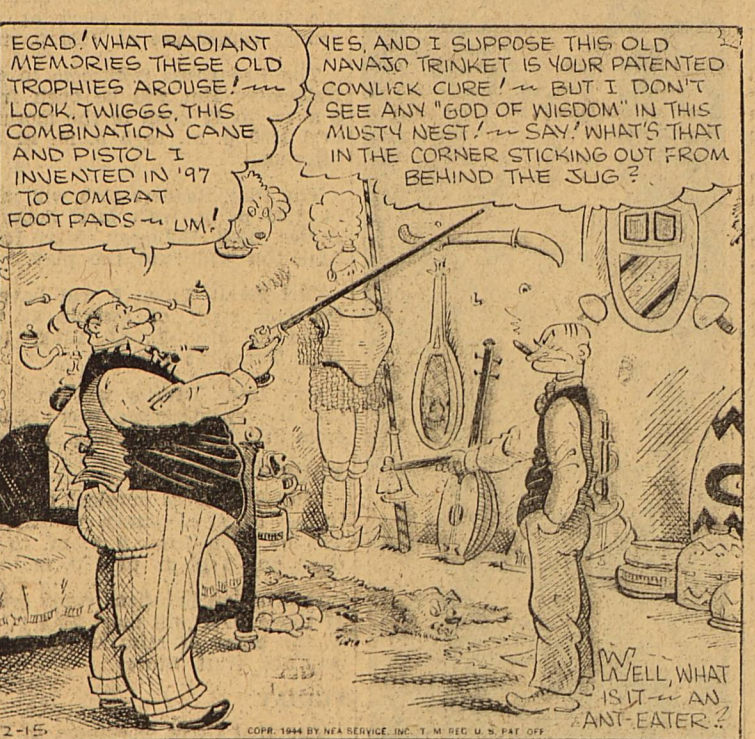
Butter may be a little more plentiful in Midland now that police have arrested a 38-year-old negro. Cooperating in the program to make rationing unnecessary at the earliest possible date, police Saturday arrested a 38-year-old negro for the theft of a case of butter from a Banner Creamery truck.  
Monday afternoon, Police Chief Jack Ellington said, the negro confessed the theft of a total of seven-tenths cases of butter from the creamery since last May. He also said he stole 400 pounds of sugar and two inner tubes from the creamery.  
He was turned over to county authorities for prosecution.

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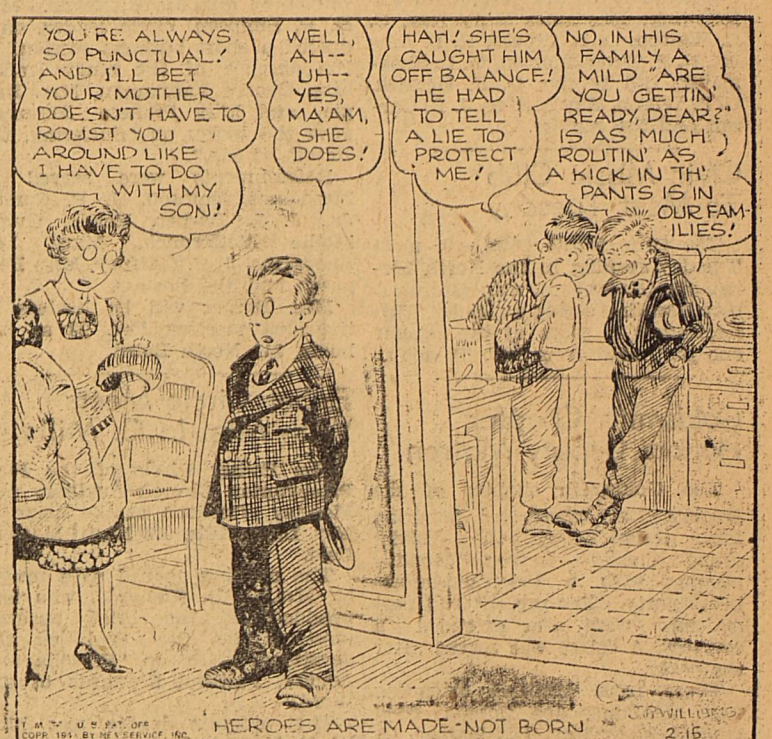
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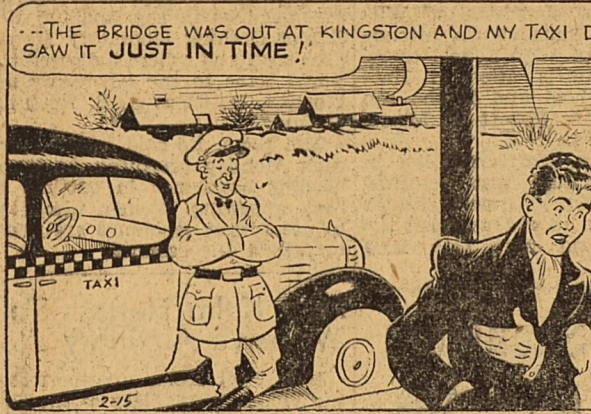


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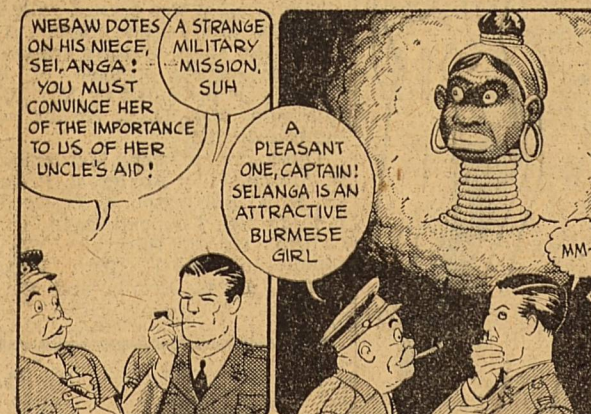
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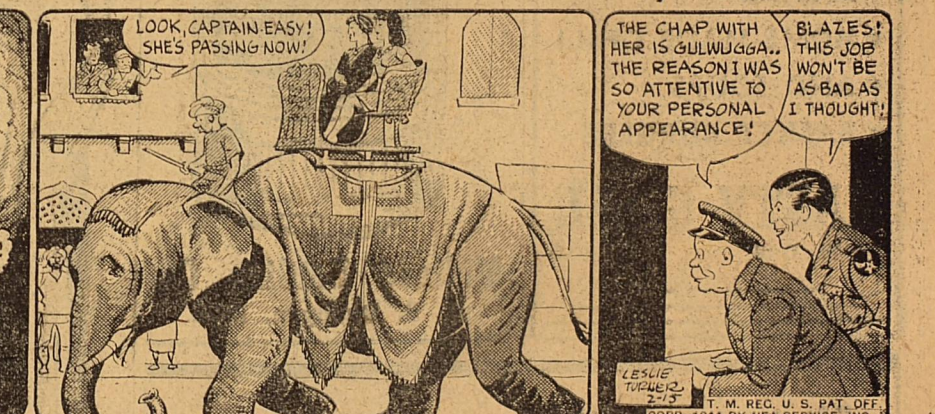
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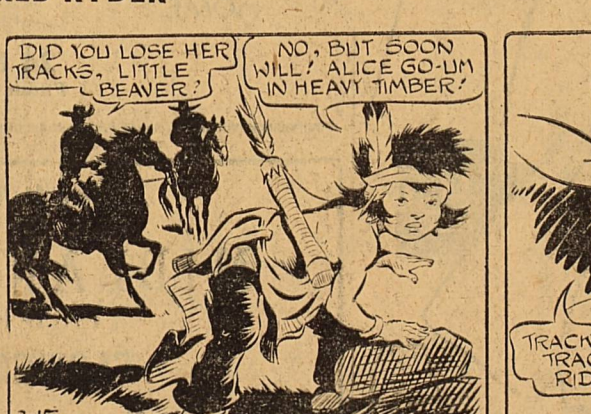
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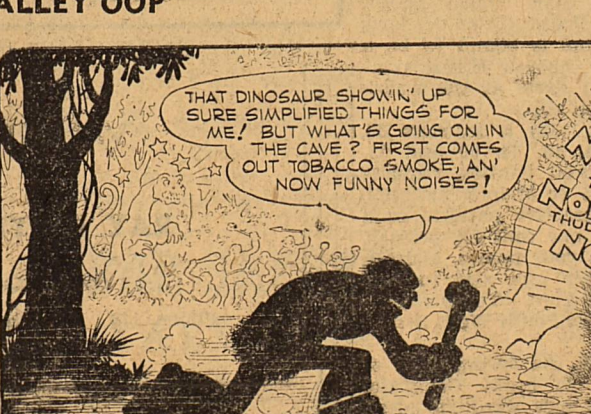
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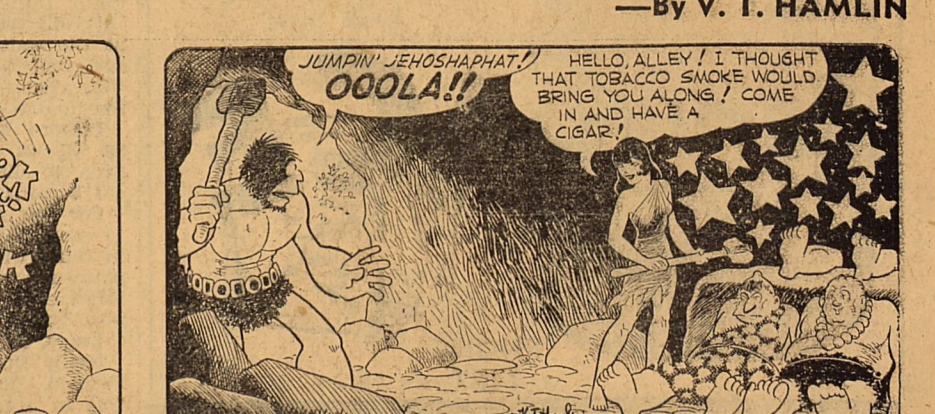
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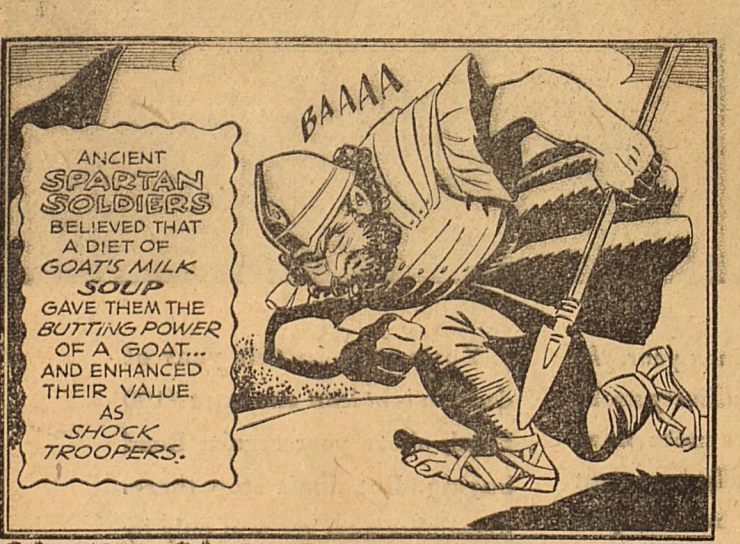
# ALLEY OOP



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# THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



**ANCIENT SPARTAN SOLDIERS BELIEVED THAT A DIET OF GOATS MILK SOUP GAVE THEM THE BUTTING POWER OF A GOAT... AND ENHANCED THEIR VALUE AS SHOCK TROOPERS.**

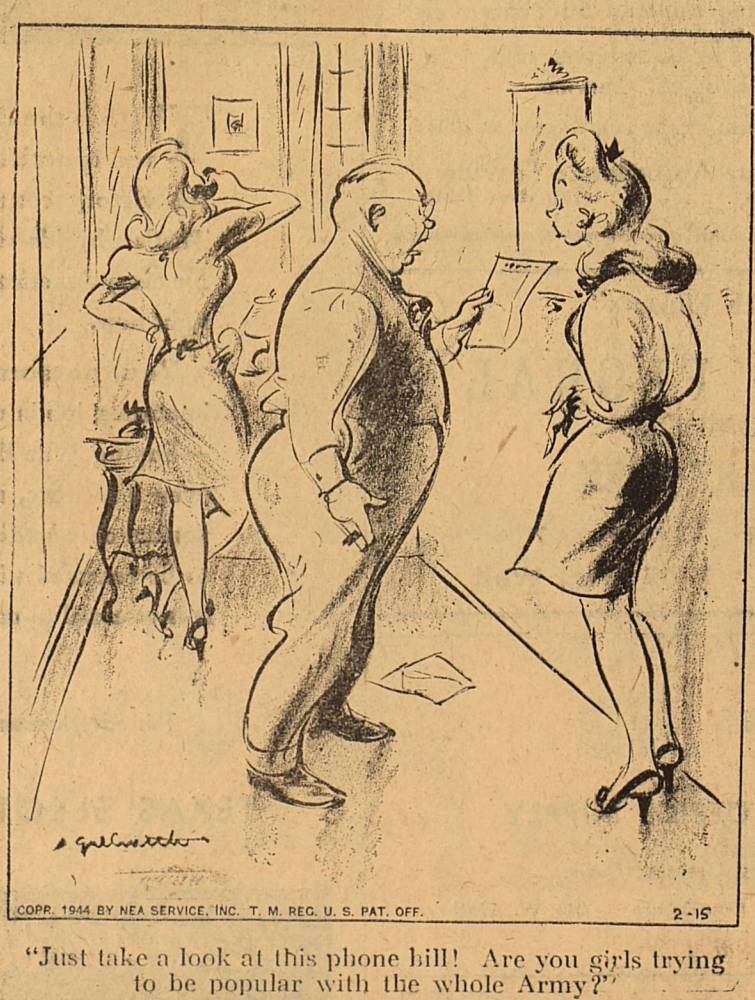
**WHY'S ELMER?**

ANSWER: Nova Scotia, Canada.

# PRECAUTIONARY MOVE

VIRGINIA, MINN.—(AP)—Visitors expressed surprise when they found R. J. McNiff, advertising manager of the Virginia Enterprise, working frantically at his income tax—with heavy winter gloves on.  
"My fingernails won't last until March 15," McNiff explained.

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# Revolta Captures Texas Open With 273 Strokes Total

By HAROLD V. RATLIFF  
SAN ANTONIO —(P)—Goldfom's touring professionals prepared Tuesday to move into the deep South with the McSpaden-Nelson monopoly on winter tournament titles broken by methodical Johnny Revolta, who captured the Texas Open for his first major triumph in two years.

The Evanston, Ill., veteran shot a three-under-par 68 Monday to take down \$1,000 in War Bonds while Harold (Jug) McSpaden of Philadelphia and Byron Nelson of Irving, Tex., who had won the current swing prior to this one, finished in a tie for second. Revolta's total for 72 holes was 273. Nelson and McSpaden each ended up with 274.

The next stop on the tour is the New Orleans Open Feb. 25-28, then will come Gulfport, Miss.; Charlotte, N. C.; Durham, N. C.; Knoxville, Tenn., and Chattanooga, Tenn. PGA President Ed Dudley said Greenbriar, N. C., was the dates of March 9 and 11 but did not accept.

**Putting Touch Returns**  
Revolta grinned broadly when he finished with a score just two strokes under the tournament record and said his putting touch finally had returned. Johnny registered birdies on three holes and pars on all others, then watched Nelson try to sink a 25-foot putt on No. 18 that would have given him a birdie and a tie for the lead. The ball stopped a foot and a half short and Nelson remarked "my putting is good only every other day."

McSpaden came in with a sensational seven-under-par 64 with six birdies and an eagle, and only once was he over par figures — that coming on No. 8 where a man in the gallery became suddenly ill just before Jug was to putt. McSpaden said the commotion dis-

## Net Loss — Links Gain



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By BING CROSBY Singer and Turfman

Contrary to Bob Hope and the popular belief which lists crows as a good race horse, Ligarioil by name, and a South American importation, he won all the handicaps at Hollywood Park in the season of 1940. A match race was cooked up with the mighty Seabiscuit to be held at Del Mar for a \$25,000 purse. The yardage was a mile and one eighth, and the day of the event it was weather clear, track fast, with 30,000 in the stands.

These two horses broke like a team and raced head and head for the entire journey. En route they broke the track standards for five-eighths of a mile, three-quarters of a mile and a mile and you could have covered both noses with a cigarette paper. They came to the finish with riders and horses doing their utmost, the entire crowd on their feet, yelling murder, and it took a camera to decide the winner. I fell out of my box into the two-bit seats.

Oh yes! We ran second.

tracted him and caused him to three-putt.  
Nelson and McSpaden won \$650 in bonds each, while Melvin (Chick) Harbert of the Lincoln, Neb., Army Air Force Training Command, took down fourth place money—\$450—with a 278.

## New York Business Men Find Price For Dodgers Too High

By TED MEIER

NEW YORK —(P)—A bid of \$1,010,000 has proved insufficient to buy a controlling interest in the Brooklyn Dodger National League baseball club.

Max C. Meyer, Brooklyn jeweler, made that disclosure Monday night in announcing he and his associates had decided to drop their efforts to purchase the club because "we were confronted with the proposition of assuming additional financial burdens which we felt we could not take on."

Meyer did not explain the nature of the additional financial burdens, but persons acquainted with the club's financial setup indicated he may have referred to \$150,000 or \$200,000 in unpaid salaries due several directors of the club.

Meantime Branch Rickey, president of the club, learned the Dodgers may not have the services of four players during the forthcoming season.

Outfielder Dixie Walker and Catcher Bobby Bragan, both of whom live in Birmingham, Ala., notified the Dodger front office they have been reclassified 1-A. Pitcher Bill Sayles had enlisted in the Army Air Forces after passing a pre-industrial physical examination at Portland, Ore. Star second baseman Billy Herman has applied for a job in a war plant near his New Albany, Ind., home.

## Sports ★ ★ Roundup

By Hugh S. Fullerton Jr.

NEW YORK —(P)— If it's free, what good is it? ... That's a question raised by Paul Krichell, veteran Yankee scout, who argues that baseball clubs have hurt themselves by admitting too many kids to games without charge ... His theory is that the kids grow up to regard baseball as something they see free and they just won't pay for it.

**All-Around Guy**  
The football Dodgers have just signed J. D. Langley, a tall, 215-pound tackle from Chattanooga University who has been coaching at Bremen, Ga. ... Langley looks like a wrestler, teaches art, writes poetry and has had one of his songs published ... "Now if he can just play football," adds Coach Pete Gawthon, "we will have a colorful player."

**One-Minute Sports Page**  
Add Richmond, Va., to the list of clubs with which the Giants will have working agreements this season ... Hank Armstrong has located a fresh opponent for his Feb. 29 outing at Des Moines—Jackie Byrne, who comes from Eltherville, Ark., and now lives in Los Angeles ... Jimmy Garrison, who'll face Armstrong at Kansas City, Feb. 23, and Ralph Zanelli, whose turn comes at Boston March 24, both were knockout victims of Hank when he really was "Henry the Hammer."

## 'Dazzy' Vance Feels Sand Lotters May Help Baseball

HOMOSASSA SPRINGS, FLA.

—(P)—If the baseball player shortage gets any worse, the big leagues may have to start grabbing 15 and 16-year-old hopefuls from the sandlots, says Arthur C. "Dazzy" Vance, one-time speed ball king of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

The old dazzer isn't worried about the brand of ball they'll play if it gets down to them. "Dazzy," who will be 51 years old March 4, has been out of the game a long time and hasn't any starry-eyed hopes that the oldsters can pitch in and help out during the emergency.

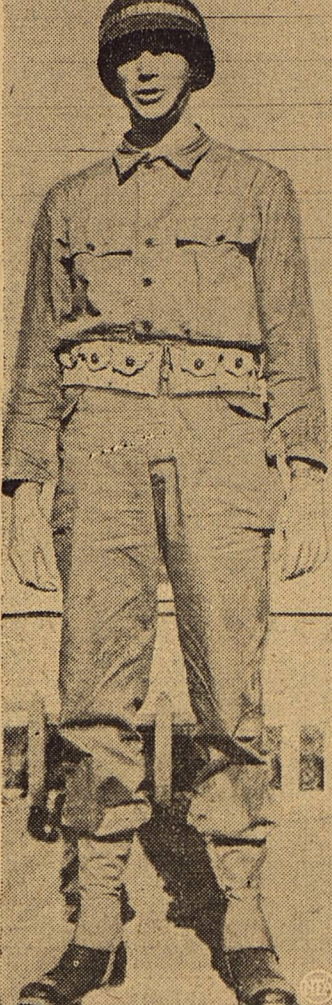
## Girl Scout Adviser Trains Leaders Here

GRETCHEN KIDD, Texas field adviser for the Girl Scouts, is in Midland this week conferring with local workers and conducting training sessions.

She will meet with council members, troop committee members, and troop leaders Tuesday evening at 8 p. m. in the music room of the Junior High School.

Mrs. Steven Leach, commissioner of the Midland County Girl Scout Council, reports that February is International Month in Girl Scouting and that the emphasis in troop activities is on projects to increase the knowledge, understanding and appreciation of people of other countries.

## Yards of Him



The two yards, five-and-a-half inches of soldier, above, is none other than Cornelius McGillicuddy, Jr., son of baseball's "grand old man," Connie Mack Lanky Connie, Jr., is at Camp Lee, Va.

## Slain Robber Wore Blakeney's Clothing

Sheriff Ed Darnell left Tuesday afternoon for Santa Fe, N. M., to question a Canadian youth, sentenced to prison in New Mexico, in connection with the \$1,300 burglary of the B. H. Blakeney home here Jan. 4, and the theft of an automobile from the garage of Mrs. Newmie W. Ellis.

The youth's companion, a young man from Ohio, was killed while fleeing from New Mexico officers near Carlsbad. When shot he was wearing a suit, boots and other clothing taken from the Blakeney home here, officers said.

**Seeks Stolen Material**  
Darnell hopes to be able to locate other clothing and material taken in the Blakeney robbery after talking to the prisoner.

He was sentenced to 10 years in the penitentiary following the robbery to a home and theft of a car at Carlsbad. New Mexico State Police saw the pair and opened fire on them when they refused to halt. Officers shot and killed the Ohio youth and said both were armed.

Mrs. Ellis' automobile was abandoned by the thieves in Pecos and later recovered by officers.

Clothing and jewelry were stolen from the Blakeney home here while Mr. and Mrs. Blakeney were away from the city. Several weeks later, the loss was discovered. Part of the loot was recovered in El Paso, part in Carlsbad, and officers still are seeking the remainder of the valuables.

## Italian -

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a small German attack in the Carroccio (Aprilia) area, and repulsed a Nazi patrol in the Cisleria area northeast of Anzio. Artillerymen broke up a German attempt to bridge a stream 10 miles above Anzio at Vallemadeta, Allied headquarters announced.

Liberators and Flying Fortresses struck powerfully Monday at enemy rail and highway communications in Northern Italy, pouring troops and supplies southward for battle. They concentrated on a triangular area between Arezzo south of Florence to Verona, southern terminus for rail lines from Germany through the Brenner Pass.

The escorted four-engined bombers pounded Modena, Brescia, Ferrara, Mantua, Verona and Arezzo — important points through which the Germans move supplies to their embattled troops.

The Allies flew in about 1,500 bombs, including down 21 German planes for a loss of one aircraft. **Railyards Battered**  
The Perugia railyards and the port of Leghorn were bombed by medium bombers. Fighter-bombers lashed at the port of Ercole.

Fighters maintained a cover over the beachhead and struck at shipping off the Dalmatian coast, a communique said. The Germans flew about 60 sorties.

The grim house-to-house struggle for Cassino, the Germans' main bastion on the lower front, swept through the night. It was a 24-hour day after a three-hour truce Monday requested by the Nazis to bury their dead.

Eighth Army patrols sprang into action along the entire Adriatic front, the bulletin said. The pause in major fighting around the beachhead extended through the third day. In one area Allied patrols counted 240 German dead as a result of a futile attack Feb. 12.

More than 200 German bodies were removed from the Cassino area during the truce. **Patrol activity and artillery exchanges still marked this main Fifth Army front.** Snowdrifts restricted activity on the Eighth Army front.

Nazis still cling tenaciously to factory buildings in the Carroccio area above Anzio, buildings which have changed hands four times.

Eight German planes attempted to strafe troops in the bridgehead, but were driven off by anti-aircraft fire that downed two of them.

## Livestock

PORT WORTH —(P)— Cattle 1,200; calves 400; active, fully steady; good to choice fed steers and yearlings 13.00-14.75; few fat cows 10.00-75; good and choice fat slaughter calves 12.50-13.50; common to medium calves 9.50-12.25; stocker steer calves and yearlings 9.00-12.00; stocker cows 10.00 down.

Hogs 1,000; butcher hogs under 200 lbs. strong; sows up to 25c or more; good and choice 300-300 lb. butchers hogs 13.55-65; good 170-195 lb. averages 11.75-13.40; sows 10.50-11.25; few to 11.50. Stocker pigs 5.00-7.50.

Sheep 2,100; lambs, fully steady; medium to choice fat lambs 13.00-15.00; feeder lambs 12.50 down.

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## OPA May Investigate Black Market Here

County Attorney Joe Mims Tuesday filed a theft charge against Oscar Thomas, 38-year old negro, in connection with the theft of more than 20 cases of butter from the Banner Creamery, during a period of several months.

Mims said the names of the purchasers of the stolen butter would be turned over to OPA officials so they could continue the investigation.

**Police Arrested Negro**  
The stolen butter was sold to cafes and stores here at less than market prices and without surrender of ration points.

Mims said Thomas indicated he would plead guilty when arraigned in county court on the theft charges. He was arrested by police last week following the theft of a case of butter from a Banner Creamery truck. When questioned by Police Chief Jack Ellington, the negro confessed the theft and told of stealing other cases of butter. He formerly was employed by the creamery.

## Nazi Troops Take Partisan-Held Town

LONDON —(P)— German troops have captured the railway town of Koprivnica, on the Zagreb-Budapest trunk line 10 miles south of the Hungarian border, in a drive on Yugoslav positions north of Zagreb, Marshal Josip Broz (Tito) disclosed Tuesday.

The town of Ludbreg, 10 miles northwest of Koprivnica, on the Bednja River, also fell to the enemy. Tito said in a broadcast communique, but declared Yugoslav Partisans scored a major success when they destroyed installations in the mercury mines near the town of Idrija in Slovenia.

Other German forces captured several villages in the Croat province of Pod Varina but in Eastern Bosnia Nazi-commanded Chetnik detachments operating between Gracanica and Vigelina "have collapsed completely," many joining the 16th Moslem Brigade of the Yugoslav Army, the communique said.

### Nation's Crude Oil Output Increases

TULSA, OKLA. —(P)— United States crude oil production increased 17,170 barrels daily in the week ended Feb. 12 to 4,412,360 barrels daily, the Oil and Gas Journal said Tuesday.

Texas output increased 9,030 barrels a day to 7,908,325; East Texas, 24,425 to 390,625; California, 1,250 to 791,500; Illinois, 1,225 to 218,450; Kansas, 14,850 to 281,750; Louisiana, 670 to 360,300; and Michigan 300 to 53,400.

Production in Eastern fields declined 2,025 barrels daily to 71,575; Oklahoma 700 to 327,200, and the Rocky Mountain area 3,725 to 128,410.

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## Abilene Eagles Beat Sweetwater's Cagers

ABILENE — The Abilene Eagles Monday night ended the hopes of Sweetwater High School cagers in the District 3-AA race for honors by defeating them 20 to 14.

As a result the Eagles will meet the Bobcats in San Angelo Tuesday night to determine which team will represent the eastern half of the district in the tournament with Midland for the district crown.

## Fort Worth Not To Have Baseball Club

PORT WORTH —(P)—Fort Worth will not have a team in the Texas League this year.

President Stanley A. Thompson of the Fort Worth ball club gave a negative shake of his head Tuesday when asked if the Cats will be reactivated in '44.

Rogers Hornsby will not be retained as the general manager. "I think Rogers should try that baseball proposition he has in Mexico City," said Thompson. "It looks good. If it turns out unhappily for him we will welcome him back here, and when the war is over we could certainly have him back as general manager."

Hornsby said Tuesday he had already accepted the Mexican offer and would leave Fort Worth the latter part of the week for Mexico City.

## Pacific War -

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The island is regarded as one of the enemy's prime stepping stones from Truk, Japanese naval bastion in the Caroline Islands, the Navy fliers carried out their heavy attacks without fighter opposition or ground fire.

**Three Aloft Hit**  
Navy aircraft also struck at Ujejong, midway between Eniwetok and Ponape, important Japanese base in the Carolines group; at Utirik and Ujae, on the western side of the Marshalls, while Army bombers and fighters attacked three atolls in the Marshalls.

Occupation of Rook Island without the firing of a shot indicated the Japanese had abandoned it as untenable. Long Island, northwest of Rook, was taken Dec. 26 when American invasion of Cape Gloucester, New Britain, flanked the enemy's shipping route from Rabaul to New Guinea.

Since then, U. S. and Australian forces have graduated the Japanese from the Huon Peninsula of New Guinea, and across Vitiaz Strait, enlarged their holdings at Cape Gloucester. American Marines Tuesday were reported 21 miles east of the Cape Gloucester air-drome which they captured soon after landing on the western tip of the big enemy island.

**A STILL IS A SAFETY DEVICE**  
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