

WE FLEW Without GUNS

This is a true story of the men who fly the "hump"—carrying passengers and cargo over the high Himalayas between India and China. Pilots call it the toughest airline route in the world.

CHECK FLIGHT

CHINA National's airport at Dinjan, in Upper Assam, India, had been cut out of thick jungle. It was square-shaped, about one thousand yards long on each side, and it lay deep in the valley of the Brahmaputra River. In addition to C. N. A. C.'s transport equipment the field accommodated planes and pilots of the Royal Air Force. Surrounding the field for miles in every direction was thick, impenetrable jungle, its green-black monotony as seen from the air broken only occasionally by brownish patches of rice paddies and neatly cultivated tea plantations.

any kind of weather, to always be on the watch for enemy planes, and to always think first of my crew and passengers, then of the plane, and only after that of heroics. On that seventh day I went up with Captain Woods, the chief pilot at Dinjan, and he put me through all my paces. Flying at a thousand feet we headed due East (90 degrees) for 10 minutes; then East Southeast (110 degrees) for seven minutes; and due South (180 degrees) for three minutes. Then Woods said, "Head me into the station." Looking only at my instruments, seeing nothing of the ground below, I had to figure how far we had traveled, exactly how long it would take to return to the field, and at what angle I would approach it. We headed back, and halfway there Woods said, "Turn to the right 90 degrees." A moment later he said, "Turn to the left 75 degrees." Then, "Take a check on where you are. I told him where we were, and he said, "All right, head me into the station." We came in entirely on instruments and touched the runway exactly as planned. Woods shook my hand before he climbed out of the plane.

THERE was never a dull minute in the C. N. A. C. In my first three weeks flying the Hump my plane was attacked five times by Jap Zeros; twice I was forced to return to my base because of motor trouble; once a cargo of motor jeeps broke loose from their moorings, and for two hours of rough flying threatened to tear out the sides of the ship; and on my last trip back from Kunming before leaving for Calcutta and a week of relaxation I fought my way through an ice storm that in something less than 24 hours brought destruction to three Army planes and their crews. That, of course, was in the early days of the Army Transport Command, and at that time, in spite of their superior equipment, they were losing eight to 10 planes a month over the Himalayas—compared to three or four a year in the C. N. A. C. (To Be Continued)

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

America's Card Authority One of the largest and most successful tournaments is the annual Ohio State event held in Cleveland. While this tournament attracts players from a great many different cities, it has always been most difficult to win any of the events from Cleveland players. However, this year, most of the major events went to out-of-town-ers or were shared with them.

♠ QJ8643
♥ A109
♦ 1072
♣ 7

Miss Stratford
♥ 8654
♦ 964
♣ KQ854

Smith
♥ K752
♦ J32
♣ KQ
♠ A963

Dealer

♠ A10
♥ KQ7
♦ AJ853
♣ J102

Duplicate—N.-S. vul.

South	West	North	East
1♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♣	Pass	4♠	Double

Opening—♦ K. 15

Stratford of Cleveland and Clare "Corky" Smith of Pittsburgh; second place went to Mrs. Marquita Fullerton of Cleveland and Jack Abbott of Pittsburgh.

Here is one of the hands that helped Miss Stratford and Smith win the championship. The opening lead was won in dummy with the ace. The ace of trump was cashed followed by the ten spot which Smith, in the East, won with the king. On the second spade, Miss Stratford discarded the eight of clubs so now Smith cashed his queen of diamonds and under led his ace of clubs, which Miss Stratford won with the queen. She led back the nine of diamonds, and Smith was able to get in a ruff, thus defeating the contract for a top score.

Typing Champ Has Too Much KP

DENVER—(P)—Second Sgt. Hector Felipe Jimenez Rubio, a Mexican army man attached to Lowry Field, won the title of the typewriter tonnage because he types 120 words per minute in English, a language he can't read.

He likes his temporary assignment but: "The English, she has too many verbs, and I have had too much the KP," he complained.

Women are called the "weaker sex," but for every man who reaches 100 years of age, there are two women who do likewise.

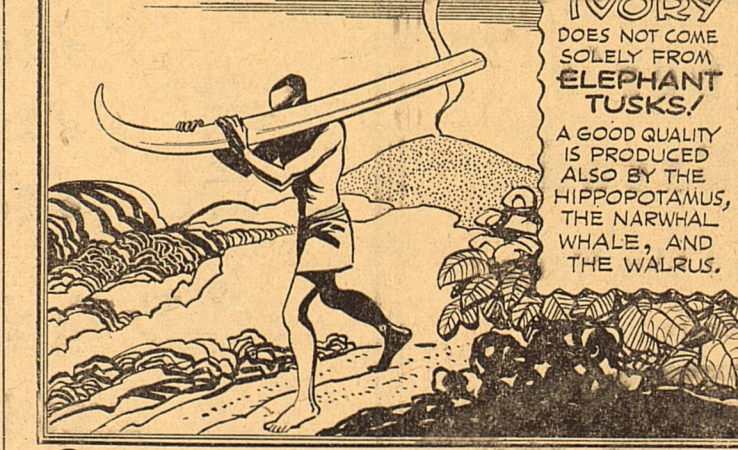
HOLD EVERYTHING



"I couldn't get any meat, so I bought animal crackers!"

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



IVORY DOES NOT COME SOLELY FROM ELEPHANT TUSKS! A GOOD QUALITY IS PRODUCED ALSO BY THE HIPPOPOTAMUS, THE NARWHAL, WHALE, AND THE WALRUS.

HEAVY CREAM IS LIGHTER THAN LIGHT CREAM. Says JOSEPH H. NETTLETON, New Milford, Connecticut.

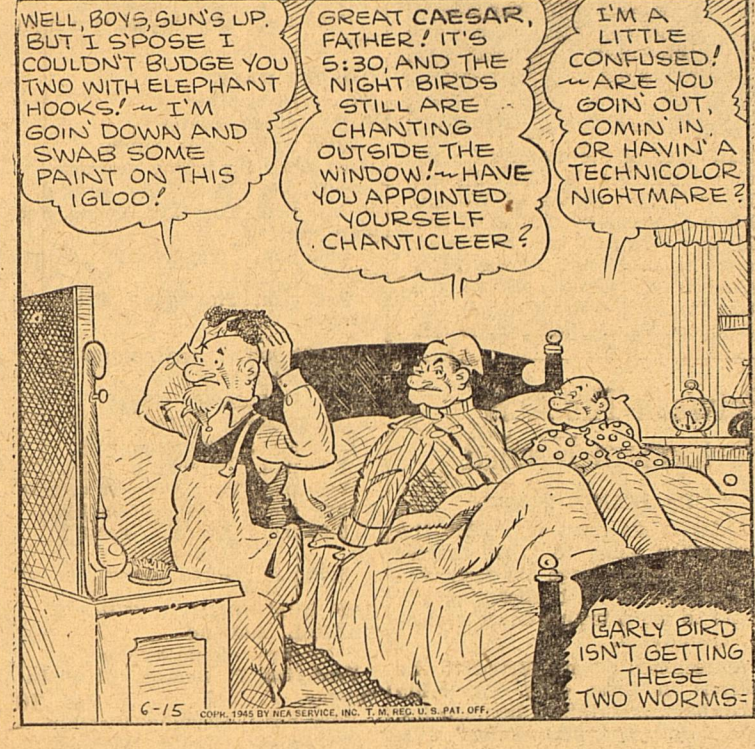
MOST PERSONS SAY... A PERSON'S INTELLIGENCE CANNOT BE RAISED.

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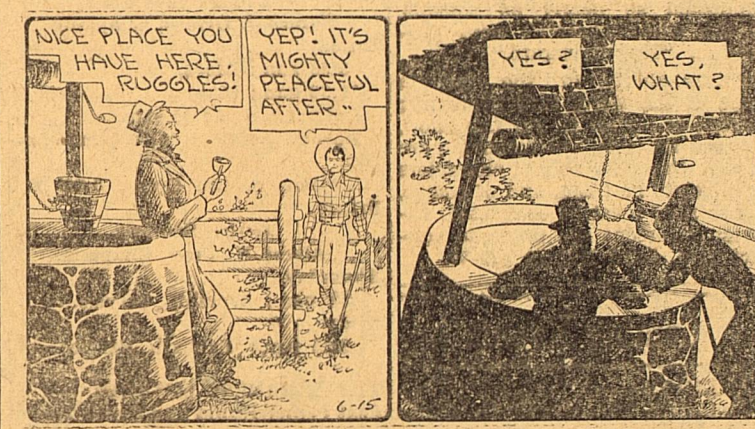
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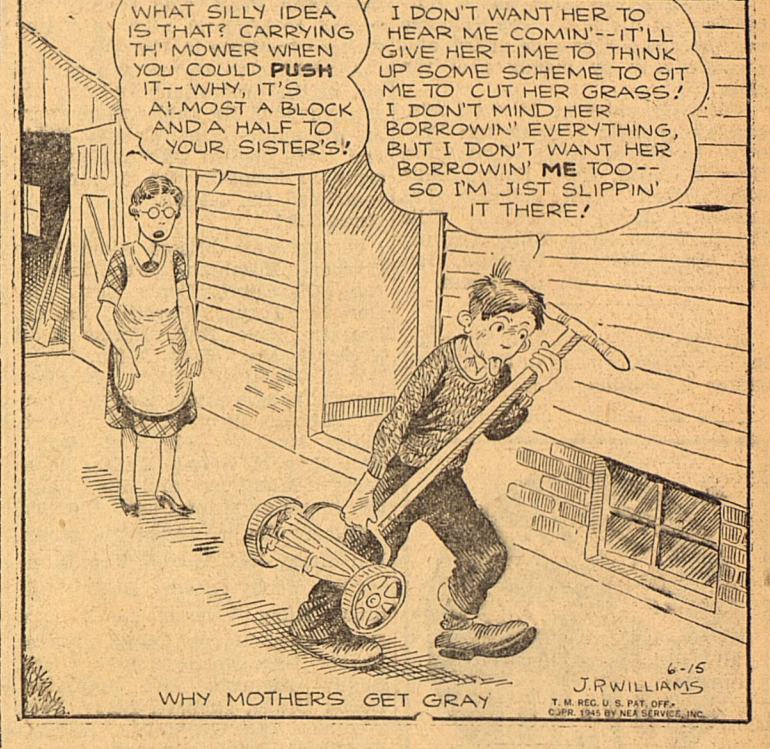
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BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



OUT OUR WAY —By J. R. WILLIAMS



—By EDGAR MARTIN



Most Decorated Texan Is Convinced Wartime Life In U. S. Is Rough

By WILLIAM C. BARNARD FARMERSVILLE, TEXAS—(P)—Lt. Audie Murphy, one of two most decorated men in the United States Army, Friday was convinced that wartime life in the United States is as rough as a jeep with square wheels.

The biggest axe hanging over the wavy-haired head of the 20-year-old man army was the fact that he stars Friday at his own homecoming. To the bashful little officer, this prospect was about as enjoyable as bobbing for apples in boiling oil. "I'm as shaky as Hirohito's dreams," he declared. That big platform in the town square, built so that 2,200 proud and happy citizens of this community might get a better view of their hero, looked just like a sea-floor to Murphy.

Add to all this woe the fact that the Texan has spent the last 20 hours learning the tough hard realities of civilian life. Murphy's Experiences

1. His new shoes don't fit so he innocently decided to purchase a pair in Dallas. He was told he would need a shoe stamp. Murphy thought a shoe stamp was something that stamped out shoes. He is still wearing that tight pair.

2. He saw his first gasoline coupon and realized with sudden shock that money, indeed, isn't everything. He postponed plans for purchasing an automobile.

3. He wanted to buy a small can of meat. He was told he would need red points. So he had to be content with a can of chicken a la king. He spilled a gob of a la king on his trousers and every one of his 728 freckles paled as he stated: "If it takes points for pants, I'm a gone goose."

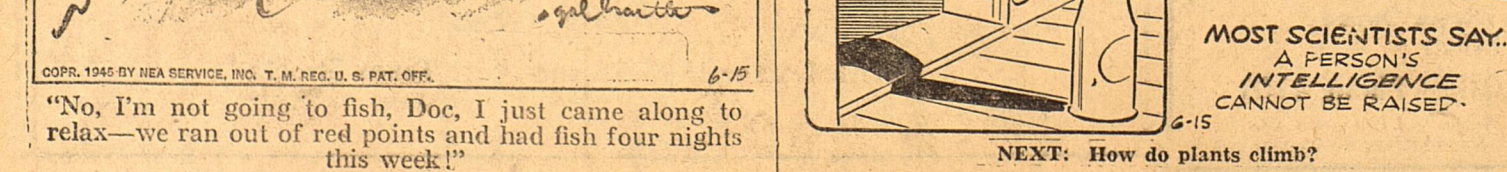
4. Shortly after he arrived here Thursday from San Antonio, his sister Mrs. Corinne Burns of Farmersville stated: "Congressional Medal of Honor or no, I'm still the boss."

5. A boy seeking autographs handed him a pencil. Just as the lieutenant started to sign, the boy asked: "Hey, you aren't a member of the Arabian army, are you?"

"No," said Murphy. "Then give me back my pencil," the boy declared. "I'm hunting an Arabian!"

HEFNERS IN ABILENE Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hefner left Thursday afternoon for Abilene to attend a district conference of the West Texas Hotel Association. They planned to return Friday night or Saturday.

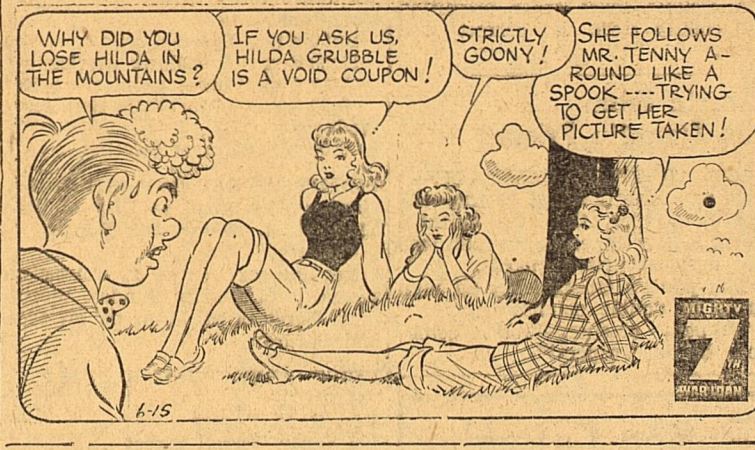
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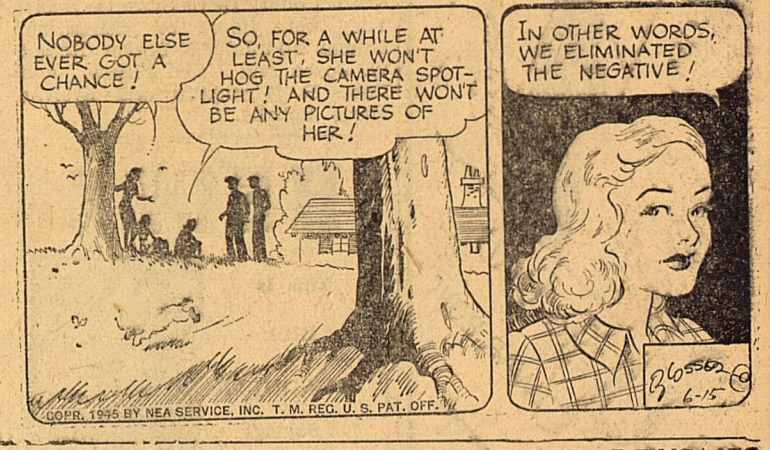
"No, I'm not going to fish. Doc, I just came along to relax—we ran out of red points and had fish four nights this week!"

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FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



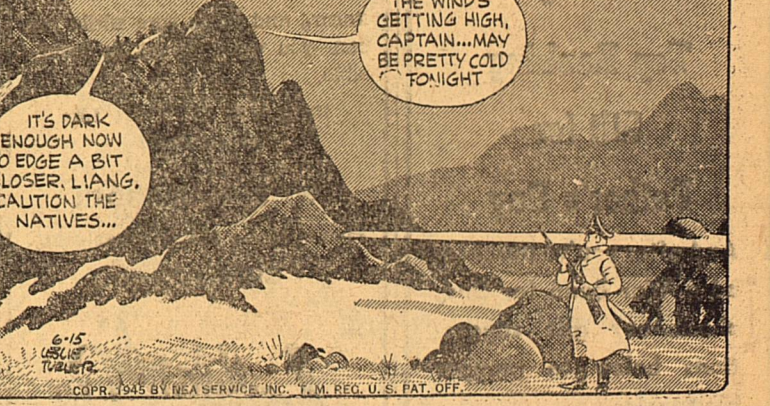
—By MERRILL BLOSSER



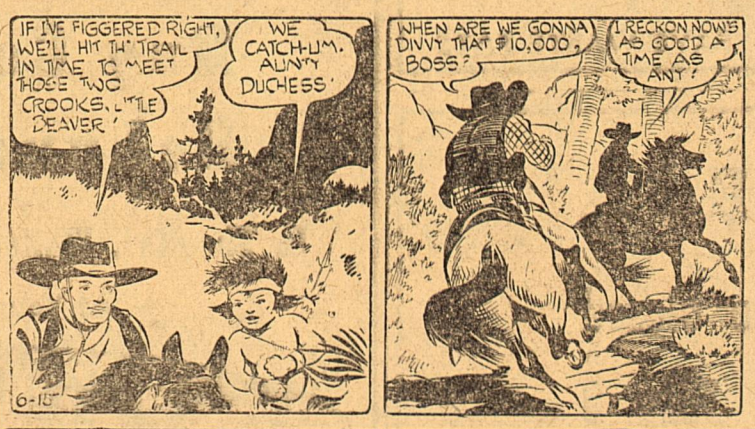
WASH TUBBS



—By LESLIE TURNER



RED RYDER



—By FRED HARMAN



ALLEY OOP



—By V. T. HAMLIN



Derby Winner Is Favorite In Rich Preakness Stake

BALTIMORE—(P)—The annual Preakness fever, helped along by the hottest weather of the year, hit the racing faithful in earnest Friday.

Old Baltimore offered the best of its war-time hospitality and Pimlico race track officials prepared to welcome an estimated 50,000 persons Saturday for the 55th renewal of the Preakness, one of the nation's oldest and richest stakes—this time the richest in history of the old hilltop course.

Hoop Jr., owned by F. W. Hooper of Jacksonville, Fla., held the favorite role in the biggest of five stake events. He was quoted at 8 to 5, compared to the 5 to 2 rating for Walter M. Jeffords' pavo.

The mile and three-sixteenths grind will pay the winner a record purse of around \$68,000.

Boston Braves Get Medwick And Pyle

BOSTON—(P)—In dire need of pitchers, the Boston Braves, who appear to be as eager to scatter baseball fortunes as Tom Yawkey did during his early years as a Red Sox owner, Friday had outfielder Joe (Ducky) Medwick and Southpaw Hurler Ewald Pyle on their roster.

According to Secretary Eddie Brannick of the New York Giants, erstwhile owners of Medwick and Pyle, those players came to the Braves in exchange for third-string Catcher Clyde Klutz with no cash involved.

Meanwhile baseball circles are humming with the report that the Braves paid the St. Louis Cardinals \$100,000 for Pitcher Mort Cooper while throwing in the amazingly revived Charles (Red) Barrett to boot. Both of those hurlers have been sensational in their new uniforms.

Harris-Luckett Is Winner Over Banner

The hot Harris-Luckett softball team won another game Thursday night by defeating Banner Creamery 11 to 9 in probably the hardest fought game of the current season. The two teams will meet for another contest Friday night at the softball field on South Main Street following a game which will start at 7:30 p. m. between Troops 153 and 51 of the junior league.

The Harris-Luckett team hasn't lost a game this season, and the Wednesday night loss was the first for Banner. Gene McCollum, director of the summer recreation program, predicted the Friday night game between the two teams would be a tough contest.

In the junior league the Pirates won Thursday night's game by a forfeit when the Troop 54 team failed to show up. McCollum urged scoutmasters to see that their teams are at the field at the time the games are scheduled.

Last summer interest was keen in the junior league all season, and will be again this year once the teams have played enough games to develop real competition, McCollum said.

Hank Greenberg Is Out of Army

DETROIT—(P)—Hank Greenberg, the slugging Tiger outfielder of Detroit's pennant winning club of 1934, 1935 and 1940, was back in civilian clothes Friday, discharged after four years in the Army, but Detroit club officials still had no direct word as to resumption of his baseball career.

Greenberg, a captain in the Army's special services section, passed through the Army Separation Center at Fort Dix, N. J., Thursday, at Fort Dix he revealed he intends to rejoin the Tigers as soon as possible.

In the Aleutians, in mid-summer, there are 19 hours of daylight out of every 24.

You Wouldn't Know Him



REMEMBER THE MAN WHO USED TO BREAK DOWN THE CLUBHOUSE DOOR TO FIRE LEO AT BROOKLYN?? ...WELL, YOU WOULDN'T KNOW HIM NOW... AS PRESIDENT OF THE YANKEES LARRY MACPHAIL HAS TAKEN ON A NEW CALMNESS... HERE WE ARE, WELL INTO THE SEASON, AND LARRY HAS YET TO TIPTOE INTO MCCARTHY'S POWDER ROOM

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH S. FULLERTON, JR. NEW YORK—(P)—Bill Hulse, who was rated as America's fastest outdoor miler before he went into the Navy (Gil Dodds was better indoors) hopes to get into shape for the National AAU Track Championships if he can find a track for workouts near his Norfolk, Va., station... Ty Cobb is so enthusiastic about developing kid baseball players that he volunteered to come from Menlo Park, Calif., to New York all for free to coach the West team in the Esquire All American Boys Game in August.

Hitting Puts Pirates At Top In National League

By JACK HAND Associated Press Sports Writer

Pittsburgh hitting and jittery New York pitching have produced the inevitable result—the Giants have slid from first to third in the National League and the Pirates are roosting on top.

Bill Voiselle's ninth inning phenom, developed since Manager Mel Ott blasted a \$500 fine for not washing a 2 1/2 inch in St. Louis, continues to haunt the young man from Ninety Six, S. C.

It troubled him again Thursday when the talented righthander failed to hold a one-run lead as Brooklyn clubbed across two scores in the last frame to hand him his fifth successive defeat, 5-4.

Since Voiselle's fine the Giants have won only two games and lost 10. From a cushion of 17 games over the 500 mark on May 27, the club has slipped to a 28-21 record in less than three weeks.

Attack Is Crippled Injuries to key men like Phil Weintraub and Nap Reves have crippled Ott's once-powerful attack but the debility of pitchers Harry Feldman and Andy Hansen on top of Voiselle's failures have been the telling blows.

Frankie Frisch has the Pirates playing dashing heads-up ball and since the Fordham Flash gave the batting order a thorough shakeup June 3, sending Third Baseman Bob Elliott to right field and Jepp Handley at the hot corner as a regular, the Buccos have won 10 of 14 contests.

Little Al Gionfriddo, overlooked in early spring, has turned into a .329 hitter since taking over an outfield job.

Handley is on the comeback road with a .366 mark and Elliott is pacing the league in runs batted in.

Pittsburgh took two from Chicago Thursday to take the league lead. Max Butcher outbowed the Cubs in the first game, 5-2, but Rip Sewell had to have help from Xavier Rescigno before the Pirates swept the second, 6-5.

Frenchy Bordagaray's pinch double followed by Ed Stanky's fourth hit saved the day for the Dodgers. The triumph, the sixth straight, moved the Brooks into second spot, only a half step behind Frisch's gang.

The Phillies, who snapped a 16-game losing streak Wednesday, shelved Boston, 13-8. Vince DiMaggio with two homers and six RBIs and Jimmy Waddell with five runs driven in were the big guns.

Trout Makes Mistake Dizzy Trout made the mistake of throwing two home run balls to Vern Stephens, one with a man on and it cost Detroit a 3-2 loss to St. Louis, clipping the Tigers' American League lead to a half game.

Clem Hausmann handcuffed the Athletics with three singles but it took Leon Culberson's ninth-inning triple to give Boston a 1-0 shade. Orval Grove doubled home the winning run for his seventh success and a 4-3 edge for Chicago over Cleveland.

The New York Yankees and Washington in the American and St. Louis and Cincinnati of the National had open dates.

The birch tree sheds its bark annually.

Meteor Explodes In Sky Over Midland

Midlanders who happened to be gazing toward the sky just after dark Thursday saw what to them appeared to be a strange phenomena, patterned after the trail of a skywriting airplane.

The skywriting began with what looked like a ball of fire about 70 degrees above the horizon. When about 40 degrees up it seemed to explode into two pieces. The long trail of vapor or smoke lingering in the sky for several minutes.

Weather students say this phenomena was produced by an exploding meteor and its descent to terra firma. It is doubted that the meteor ever hit the ground anything akin to being intact. The smoke, if smoke it was, was caused by varying winds at different levels.

Fifty-Three Fined On Traffic Charges

Fifty-three persons paid fines in city court Thursday and Friday for running stop signs. Chief of Police Jack Ellington said. As he can add more men to his force, enforcement of traffic ordinance will become increasingly strict, Ellington declared.

Among the more common violations which are dangerous are making a right hand turn on a red light without first coming to a full stop, and turning around in the middle of the block, Ellington added.

Motorists were cautioned by the chief of police, pedestrians have the right of way at all times.

SNEAD HAS BROKEN ARM

PHILADELPHIA—(P)—Sammy Snead of Hot Springs, Va., withdrew from the \$17,500 Philadelphia Tourney Invitational Golf Tourney Friday after doctors discovered that a bone in his right arm was broken.

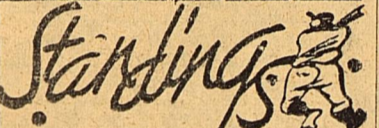


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THURSDAY'S RESULTS American League: St. Louis 3, Detroit 2; Boston 1, Philadelphia 0; Chicago 4, Cleveland 3; Only Games Scheduled. National League: Pittsburgh 5-6, Chicago 2-5; Philadelphia 13, Boston 8; Brooklyn 5, New York 4; Only Games Scheduled.

Advertisement for Arrow Birthstone Ties, featuring an image of a tie and text: 'For Father's Day ARROW BIRTHSTONE TIES Here's a Father's Day gift that's sure of a big hand from the old boy... \$150'

Advertisement for Dunlap's ties, featuring an image of a tie and the Dunlap's logo.

Advertisement for Cotton and Livestock prices, listing various market rates.

Advertisement for Yucca, listing today and Saturday entertainment events.

Advertisement for Murray-Young Motors, Ltd., located at 223 E. Wall.

Advertisement for Suits and Dresses cleaned and pressed, located next to Yucca.

Advertisement for Ritz and Rex theaters, listing showtimes and featured acts.

Advertisement for Radiator Cleaning and Repairing by H. L. Gaines, located at 108 W. Missouri.

Advertisement for Insulation services by A & L Housing and Lumber Co., located at 119 N. Weatherford.

Advertisement for Bulldozers for rent by B. F. (Bill) Fielder, located in Odessa.

Advertisement for Mid-Tex Paint and Paper Store, located at 119 N. Weatherford.

Advertisement for Dr. Henry Schlichting, Jr., Naturopathic Physician, General Practice, located at Modern Health Clinic.

Large advertisement for First Christian Church, featuring Rev. John E. Pickering and the text 'The Public Is Most Cordially Invited To Hear The Closing Sermon Of Rev. John E. Pickering Sunday Morning, June 17 11:00 O'clock'.