

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Elis
 AKQ 109865
 432
 None
 Q9
 None

WNE
 Dealer
 AK975
 72
 AKQ8
 63

AK
 QJ103
 J
 J1097542

Duplicate—E. and W. vul.

South	West	North	East
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♥
Pass	3♦	Pass	4N.T.
Pass	5♦	Pass	7♥

Double
 Opening—J. 23

By William E. McKenney
 America's Card Authority.

It almost happened in the Masters Individual—the perfect hand! The hand given below is Board 19 of the first session of the World's Championship Masters Individual Tournament, and as you can see North's hand has 11 spades.

How would you like to be dealt 11 spades and never enter the bidding? That is exactly what happened to Morris Elis. Of course, there were eight other players in the tournament that held that same North hand and I will admit that the bidding varied. I thought the most interesting bidding occurred when the hand was held by Elis.

West bid a diamond, Elis decided there was going to be a lot of bidding on the hand and he decided to lie back in ambush. When East bid one heart and West jumped to three hearts, Elis decided that he could still wait to enter the bidding. East's bid of four no trump was the Blackwood Convention, so that when West bid five diamonds, Elis knew that East could not pass this ace-showing response.

I thought Elis would fall out of his chair when East bid seven hearts. South's double put it squarely up to him whether to pass or risk entering the auction for the first time with a grand slam bid.

His choice proved to be wise. This is the first time to my knowledge that an 11-card suit has been dealt in tournament bridge, and years from now I know that you will still hear the players discussing the time that 11 spades were dealt to a player and he never bid them.

Seven diamonds can be made, but in every case where seven diamonds was bid, North over-called with seven spades, going down two tricks when the hand was correctly defended.

Colonel Reports Army Plans Have Progressed

SAN ANTONIO, May 23—(AP)—Losses and delays caused by labor difficulties in the army's temporary emergency program have been negligible in the Southwest, says Colonel Edwin V. Dunstan, constructing quartermaster, eighth construction zone, Fort Sam Houston.

Out of 4,846,000 man-days worked only 348 man-days were lost because of labor difficulties. This record compares very favorably with the national picture recently released by the war department, he said.

The United States, with only 7 per cent of the world's population, consumes 56 per cent of the world's rubber production.

KRLH PROGRAMS

- FRIDAY
- 8:00—Popular Dance Records
 - 8:30—Petite Musicale
 - 7:00—News, TSN
 - 7:15—An Analysis of Propa, MBS
 - 7:30—Talk, C. A. Lindbergh, MBS
 - 8:00—Raymond Gram Swing, MBS
 - 8:15—Carnival of Stars, MBS
 - 9:00—Quiz Bowl, MBS
 - 9:30—The Lone Ranger, MBS
 - 10:00—News, TSN
 - 10:15—Pat Sporer's Cast, TSN
 - 10:30—Recorded BBC News, MBS
 - 10:35—Ringside Round-Up, MBS
 - 10:45—Bennie Cummings' Orch., MBS
 - 11:00—Sign Off.
- SATURDAY
- 6:30—Dawn Parade
 - 7:30—News, TSN
 - 7:45—Café N' Jammers
 - 8:00—News, TSN
 - 8:05—Alexander Semmler Orch.
 - 8:30—Rainbow House, MBS
 - 8:45—What's Doing Around Midland
 - 9:00—AP News Bulletins, MBS
 - 9:05—John Agnew, Organist, MBS
 - 9:15—Milton Kaye's Clarion, MBS
 - 9:30—U. S. Army Band, MBS
 - 10:00—AP News Bulletins, MBS
 - 10:05—Art Moore's Orch., MBS
 - 10:30—Earl Townner's Concert Orch.
 - 10:45—Recorded BBC News, MBS
 - 10:55—UP News Bulletins, MBS
 - 11:00—Musical Interlude
 - 11:05—Conservation of Vision, KBST
 - 11:15—Edith Adam's Future, MBS
 - 11:30—Eileen Holden's "G" Girl MBS
 - 11:45—Man on the Street
 - 12:00—News and Market Reports, TSN
 - 12:15—Luncheon Melodies
 - 12:45—Lang Thompson's Orch., MBS
 - 1:00—AP News Bulletins, MBS
 - 1:05—Arion Choristers, MBS
 - 1:30—To be Announced
 - 2:00—Army Training School, MBS
 - 2:30—Dance Orchestra, MBS
 - 2:45—From Belmont's Orch., MBS
 - 3:00—McClelland Van Der Veer, MBS
 - 3:15—Carl Hoff's Orch., MBS
 - 4:00—Dramas of Youth, MBS
 - 4:30—To be Announced, MBS
 - 5:00—Los Angeles Relays, MBS
 - 5:30—Half and Half
 - 6:00—The Green Hornet, MBS
 - 6:30—Hawaii Calls, MBS
 - 7:00—Popular Dance Records
 - 7:15—Fran Botwin's, MBS
 - 7:25—Musical Interlude, MBS
 - 7:30—Contact, MBS
 - 8:00—Chicago Concert, MBS
 - 8:00—Johnny Davis' Orch., MBS
 - 9:30—California Melodies, MBS
 - 10:00—News, TSN
 - 10:15—Pat Sporer's Cast, TSN
 - 10:30—Recorded BBC News, MBS
 - 10:35—Del Courtney's Orch., MBS
 - 11:00—Sign Off.

MUSTANG BOYS' CLUB COLUMN

In order to have better swimming weather the Mustangs' trip to the Big Spring park will be Saturday May 31 instead of tomorrow. Over 100 boys have earned the privilege of going on this outing. Be ready next week with a dime, swimming trunks and good appetite for beans.

The Mustangs played Mackey Motors a practice game in softball yesterday afternoon and were defeated 10 to 4.

There will be a tournament in Chinese and other checkers at the Mustang club rooms tomorrow morning at 10:00 o'clock.

O'Daniel Makes Tax Penalties Bill Law

AUSTIN, May 23—(AP)—A new law on the state statute books today abolished penalties on county or state taxes delinquent as of July 1, 1940, if paid by Nov. 1, 1941, with six per cent interest.

The statute, signed yesterday by Governor W. Lee O'Daniel, also permitted cities and school districts to adopt the plan.

Another new measure would allow refunding from the state's general revenue fund moneys spent by the Texas Unemployment Compensation Commission which were not approved by the Federal Social Security Board.

CLASSIFIEDS—SMALL COST—BIG RESULTS

Mann Believes Bill Amendment Illegal

AUSTIN, May 23—(AP)—A proposed amendment to a bill regulating the duration of oil and gas and other mineral leases, in the opinion of Attorney General Gerald C. Mann, is unconstitutional.

The amendment provided rights of the lessee in an oil and gas lease should expire in 10 years unless the lessee developed the premises in that time or the lease was longer than 10 years and the lessee rendered the land and paid taxes.

Mann said yesterday the new law, if enacted, might impair prior contracts, would deny the right of the redemption and could forfeit the lessee's rights, all of which factors would make the statute invalid.

Spur, Fort Stockton Send Letters To City

Midland received invitations to attend and send sponsors to two West Texas events — the Spur Roundup and Fort Stockton's winter carnival.

Letters were sent to the Chamber of Commerce. The Spur rodeo show is June 20-21. Fort Stockton will have its carnival June 13, 14, 15.

Winner of the bathing revue at Fort Stockton will be judged "Miss Southwest." Edna Earl Lineberry represented Midland there last year. At Spur the cow girl sponsor winner will receive a \$135 saddle.

Parents Publish Warning For Candy-Fed Daughter

READSBORO, Vt., May 23—(AP)—Four-old-Betsy Earle is so popular with the townfolk that her parents have published the following announcement in the town's column in the North Adams (Mass.) Transcript:

"Betsy Earle's parents wish to announce that she is suffering from a severe case of worms and they urgently urge that, in the interest of her continued good health, the townspeople discontinue the practice of feeding her candy."

"This isn't the first time Mr. and Mrs. Earle have tried to meet the problem. Once they hung a sign around her neck, reading:

"Don't feed me."

"That didn't work because, as Betsy explained: 'It wouldn't be polite to refuse, would it?'"

Makes Preparation For Important Announcement

Berlin, May 23—(AP)—The German press and radio obviously are preparing the German people for important announcements regarding Crete.

Nothing much has been made known except unofficial statements that an air-borne invasion was under way.

Hints dropped in responsible quarters indicated that whatever statements were coming would be pleasing to the Reich.

Berlin newspapers published articles about the Greek Island and there was speculation of the island's military importance.

More than 12,000 cars and coaches operating on American railroads are air-conditioned.

Texas Wesleyan Will Have Golden Jubilee

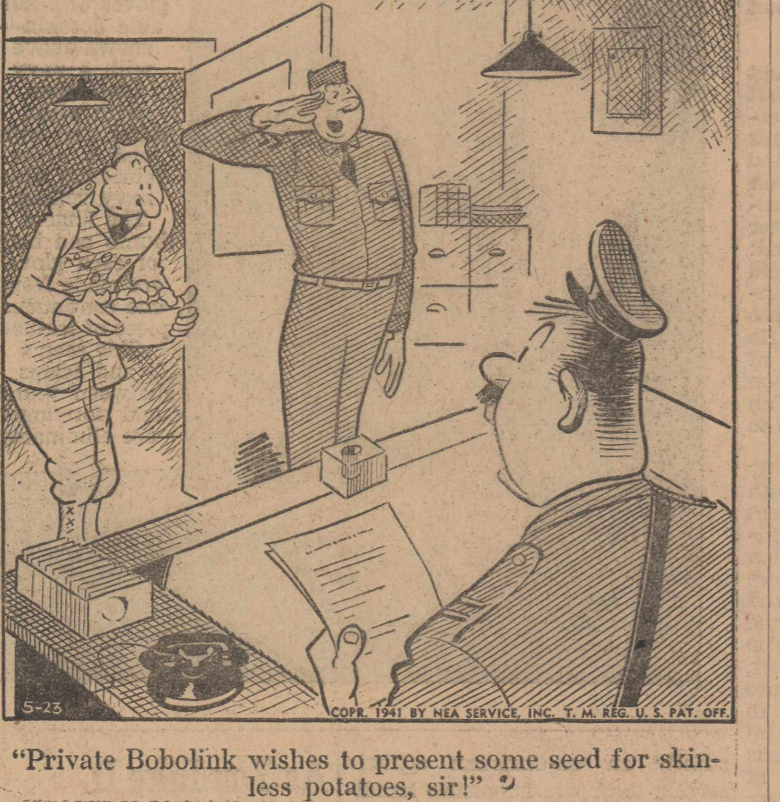
FORT WORTH, May 23—(AP)—Texas Wesleyan College's Golden Jubilee Homecoming May 24-26 will attract over 5,000 former students of Polytechnic College and Texas Woman's College.

Ex-students of the old Polytechnic College will come from all parts of Texas for the first time since 1915.

Polytechnic alumni will be speakers at the commencement activities. They are Dr. R. W. Goodloe, Dallas; H. S. Hilburn, Plainview; Rev. Ira Kiker, Dallas; and Rev. C. A. Bickley, Abilene.

Classifieds—Small Cost—Big Results

Funny Business



Private Bobolink wishes to present some seed for skinless potatoes, sir!

OUR BOARDING HOUSE with MAJOR HOOPLE



WHAT'S THE ADDRESS, RUBE?

OUT OUR WAY By J. R. WILLIAMS



THE "NO" BODY

Side Glances



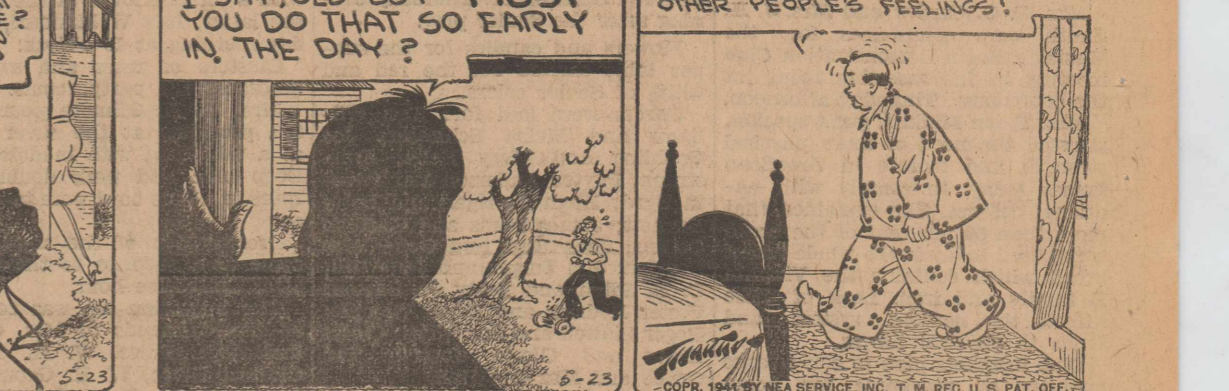
I see our son is trying to make an impression on the new neighbor's daughter—your specialty was handstands.

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



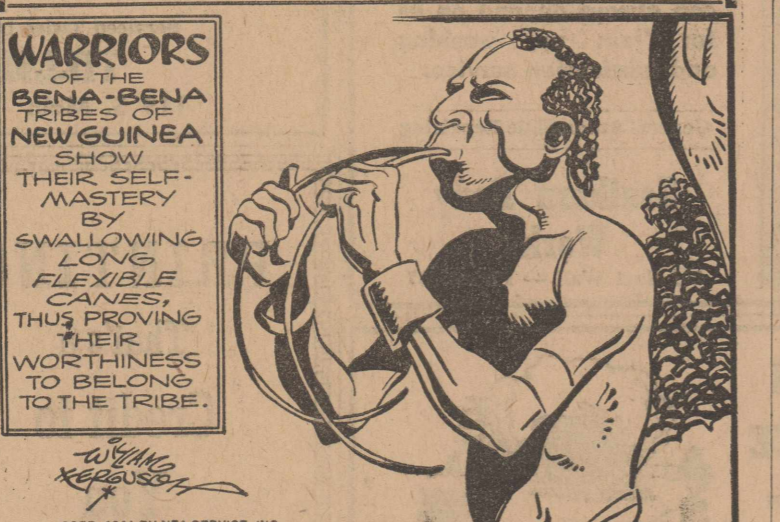
PERKINS HAS BEEN BLACKJACKED... EASY'S GONE!

WASH TUBBS



QUICK, VICKI! CALL THE MANAGEMENT... HAVE ALL HOTEL EXITS WATCHED... RUSH ELEVATOR TO THIS FLOOR... NOTIFY F.B.I. GET SOME MEN OVER HERE AT ONCE... COME ON, BOB! WE MAY BE ABLE TO CATCH 'EM BEFORE THEY GET AWAY!

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



NEXT: What a worm did for China.

ALLEY OOP



MEANWHILE... ON BOARD THE LOOTED SHIP...

RED RYDER



LOOKS LIKE THIS IS QUITE A TRIP... LITTLE BEAVER!

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



I TOLD THE LADY AT EACH HOUSE THAT IF SHE'D BUY A TICKET, I'D LOOK FOR MY PET SNAKE!

