

McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

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From time to time I like to present the various slam conventions to you, although I seldom employ a slam convention myself. I have always felt that conventions were a substitute for thinking and that straight-forward bidding gets best results. The Four Aces do not employ any slam convention, but they do have different ideas for showing aces and void suits.

For example, South's bid of four

AQ105					
K1093					
KJ3					
J5					
874	N	9632			
64	W	5			
Q1076	E	A9852			
4	S	982			
1064	Dealer				
	KJ				
	AQJ872				
	None				
	AKQ73				
Duplicate—None vul.					
South	West	North	East		
1♥	Pass	3♥	Pass		
4♥	Pass	4♥	Pass		
7♥	Pass	Pass	Pass		

clubs is not intended so much to show his suit as to show control of clubs and to display interest in a slam. Naturally South intends to bid at least six hearts, whatever North does. But if North has the ace of spades, South can bid a grand slam. If North has the ace of diamonds and small spades, only a six can be made.

North's response of four spades is not made because he holds four spades, but simply to show the ace of spades. The agreed suit between the partnership is hearts, and the bidding of the side suits is solely to show control.

When South learns that his partner holds the spade ace, and knowing that his partner's hand is strong enough for a jump from one heart to three hearts, a game demand bid and a mild invitation toward slam, South safely bids the grand slam.

Army Releases Crane Men Under New Ruling

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Predicts U. S. May Have General Strike

LONDON (AP)—A prediction the United States labor situation "may be leading up to a general strike simply due to inexperience of trade union leaders" was put forward Thursday in the opening of parliamentary debate on British war policy.

That possibility was pointed out by Austin Hopkinson, Independent, in support of his statement that despite the United States' contribution, Britain's enemy "has a greater production and uses that capacity very much better than we do." Hopkinson said "it is all very

RECOMMENDS ABOLITION OF SCHOOL HOMEWORK

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Kids, you can call this to the attention of teacher today:

John B. Kelly, U. S. director of civilian physical training, told the Big Brothers Association Wednesday night that school homework should be abolished so boys and girls can spend more time for play and exercise.

well to point to the United States, but people don't realize in this country what the industry of the United States is going through in the present generation."

FARMER RAISES CORN TO MAKE COB PIPES

NORTH KANSAS CITY, Mo. (UP)—J. G. Gray, a farmer living in Clay County, specializes in raising corn—not for the grain but for the cobs for pipe making.

COMES TO U. S. IN 1850. NOW SEEKS CITIZENSHIP

BELLEVILLE, Ill. (AP)—William Becker, Sr., a farmer who came to this country shortly after his birth in 1850, filed a declaration of intention to become a citizen, although he will be about 93 years old before he obtains his final citizenship papers.

FLOURISHES EXHIBIT A. JUDGE AIRS COURTROOM

KANSAS CITY (AP)—The attorney for the defense made the mistake of flourishing exhibit A around the courtroom in a trial before Justice of the Peace J. J. Dougherty. The judge ordered a 10 minute recess and opened the windows. Exhibit A was a sample of the stench bomb the defendant is supposed to have dropped in a Thirty-First Street bowling alley.

YOUTH RIGHT, THEN WRONG

ALAMOSA, Colo. (AP)—A young man figured he couldn't pass his selective service physical examination if he showed up drunk. He was right. He didn't pass, but he went to jail.

PRIVATE IS RELEASED, RE-ENLISTS BY PHONE

CAMP WOLTERS (AP)—Civilian life apparently held no charms for Private Arthur Deveraux. He was released recently, shook hands all around, went away—and presently re-enlisted via long distance telephone.

HUNTER SWITCHES TO DUCKS, GETS DEER

CENTRAL, N. M. (AP)—Disgusted after two unsuccessful deer hunts, L. A. Davidson switched to ducks. Enroute to the lake something ran into his truck and fell in the road, dead.
Yes, sir, a deer!

PHONE TURNS IN ALARM, FIREMEN SAVE HOME

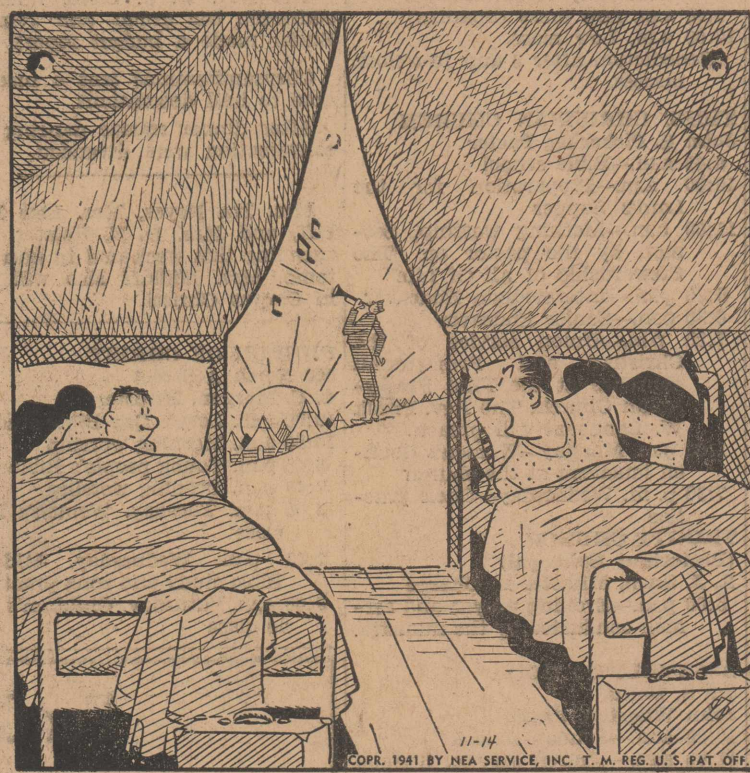
ATHENS, Ga. (AP)—Mr. and Mrs. William Miller were away when their home caught fire, but the telephone turned in the alarm. Switchboard Operator Alma Patrick saw the light flash on her board. She heard a crackling noise over the wire and called the fire department. Firemen saved the home. Flames had burned the wall behind the telephone and the instrument had fallen to the floor, knocking the receiver from the hook.

LOADS TRUCK WITH KIDS SUBSTITUTE FOR COAL

TOWA CITY, Ia. (AP)—A truck driver backed into a customer's garage to unload a shipment of coal, but its removal caused the springs to raise the truck so much that the box of the vehicle caught the top of the garage doors. It looked like some of the coal would have to go back into the truck for ballast until the lady of the house had an idea. A few minutes later the truck pulled out easily-loaded with all the kids in the neighborhood.

READ THE CLASSIFIEDS

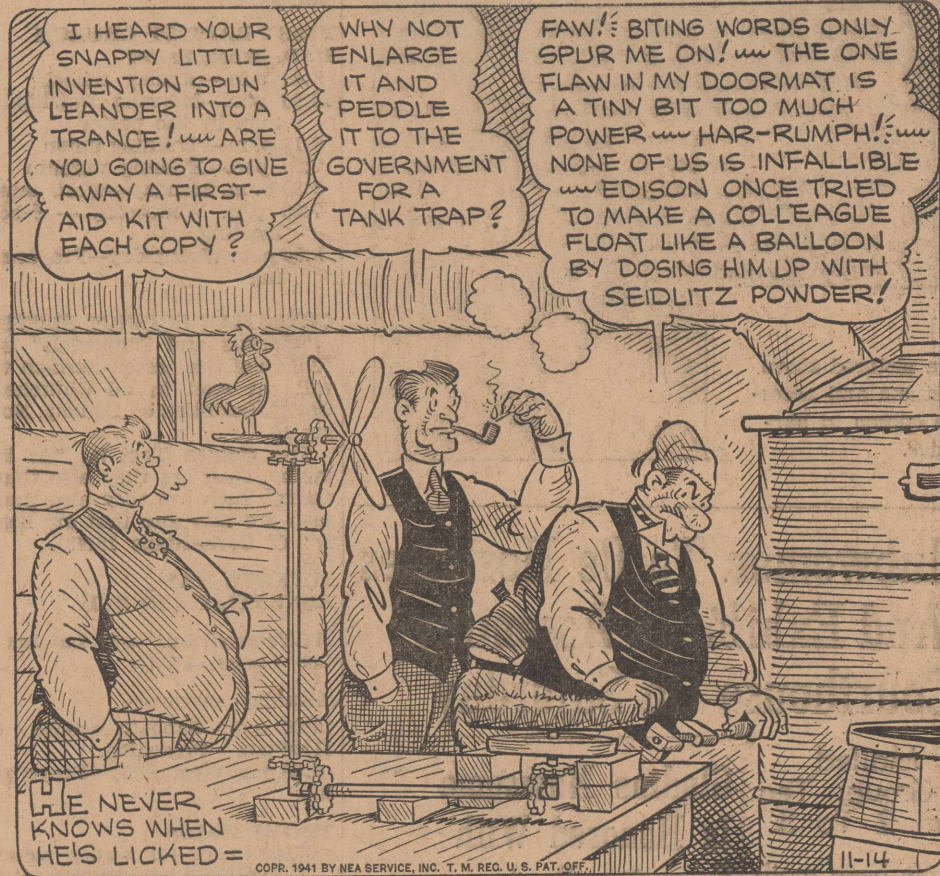
Funny Business



"Noisy darn place, isn't it?"

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

with MAJOR HOOPLE

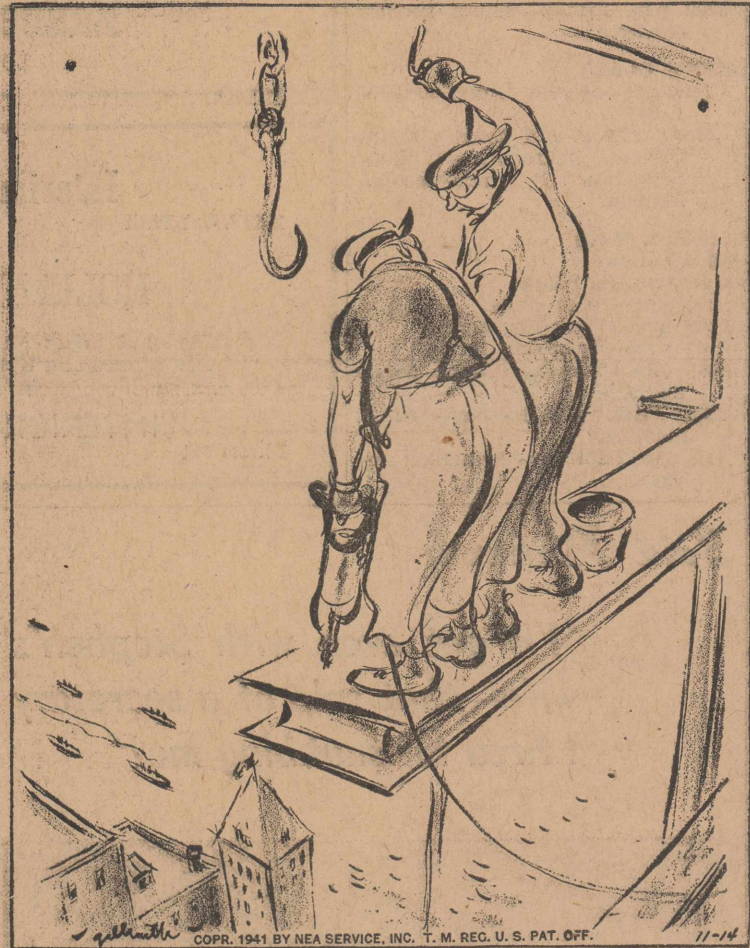


OUT OUR WAY

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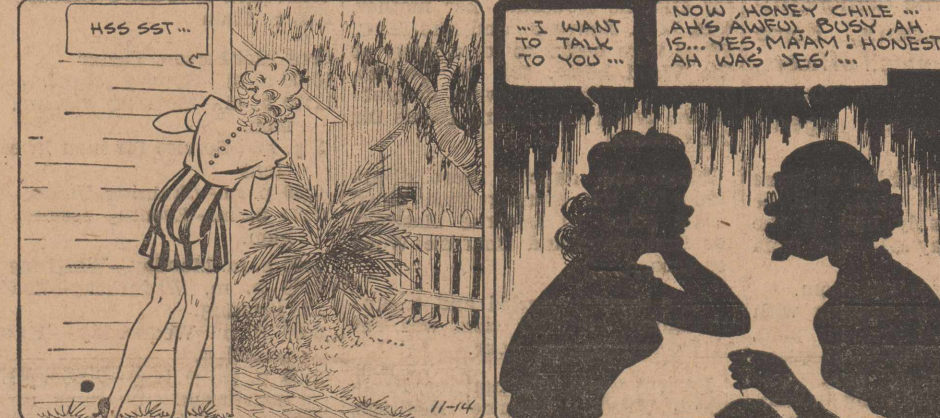


Side Glances

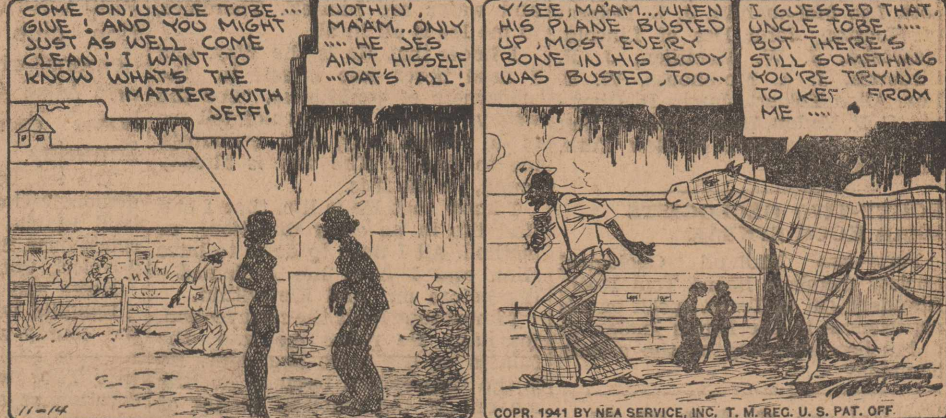


"My kid wants to be a sailor in a submarine—he must inherit his craving for danger from his mother!"

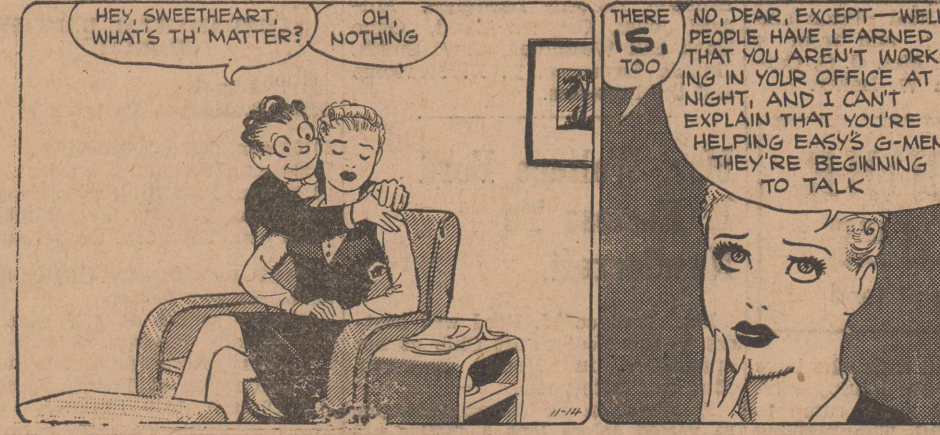
BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



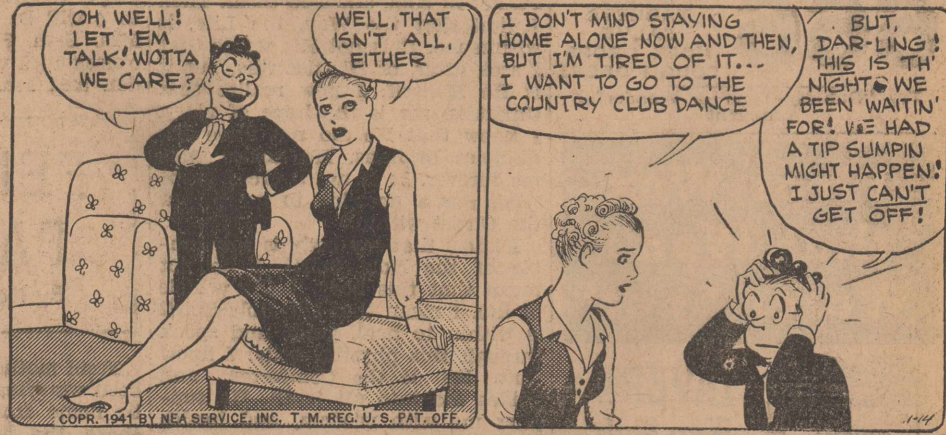
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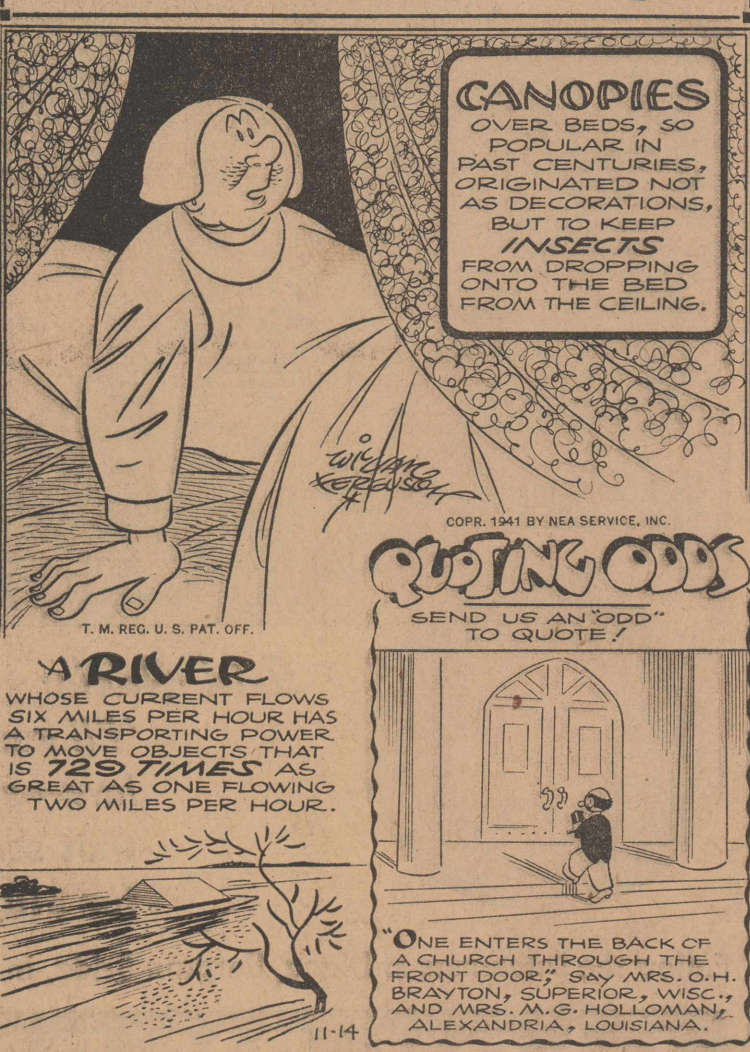


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THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



NEXT: Real dogs of war.

ALLEY OOP



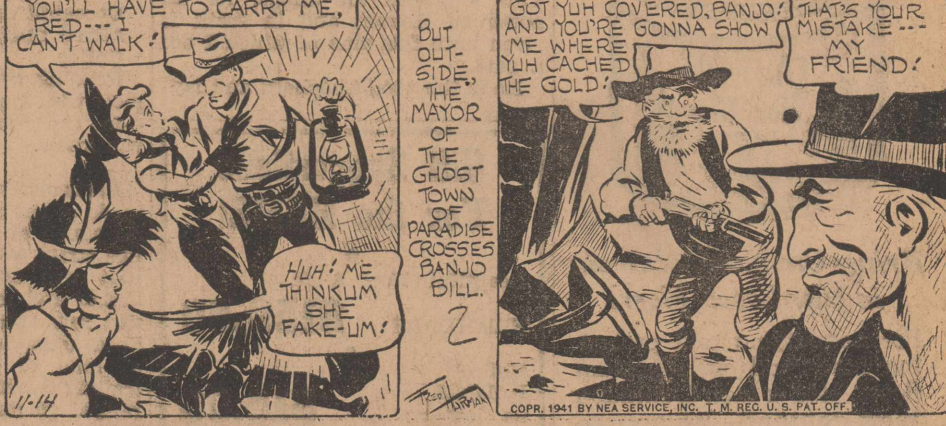
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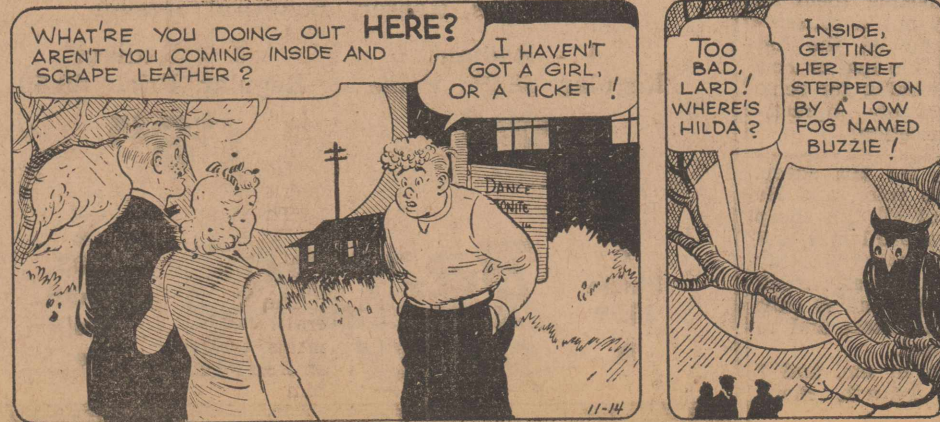
RED RYDE!



By FRED HARMAN



FRECKLE'S AND HIS FRIENDS



By MERRILL BLOSSER

