

Japanese Battle Losses Grow Launch Midland USO Drive Monday

India Armies Set To Attack Jap Invasion

Chinese Strike Enemy At Many Points; Japs Rush Reinforcements

WASHINGTON (AP)—A British government official said Monday American and British planes were moving in large numbers into India and that a defense force of more than a million men would be "on the job" in the event the Japanese attack.

General Sir Archibald P. Wavell, commander of British Imperial forces in India, poised three re-organized armies to smash at the enemy pushing northwestward through Burma toward India. The Japanese were still gathering an invasion fleet at Rangoon for a descent on Bengal.

Wavell announced that the three army commands in India had been changed from static administrative bases to fighting headquarters, ready to move wherever the enemy strikes.

CHUNGKING (AP)—Japanese reinforcements rushing to the aid of a trapped column of their comrades in Western Yunnan Province were intercepted Monday at Chefang, 25 miles inside China on the Burma Road, precipitating heavy fighting, a communique said.

The original Japanese invasion force—of which the Chinese previously reported they had killed 4,500—was said to be still surrounded by the Chinese Army.

The communique confirmed Japanese reports of the fall of Bhamo, alternate terminal of the Burma Road 170 miles northeast of Mandalay, and Myitkyina, 250 miles north of Mandalay.

US Sub Sinks 3 Jap Ships

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Navy announced Monday that United States submarines in the Western Pacific had sunk a Japanese destroyer and two cargo ships, one of them a naval auxiliary.

These sinkings have not been reported in any previous Navy Department communique and are not related to the recent engagement in the Coral Sea.

These three sinkings raise the toll of Japanese ships, both naval and commercial, taken by United States submarines to 42 sunk, 12 probably sunk and 11 damaged. Only four days ago, on May 7, submarines were reported to have sunk three commercial vessels, including a medium sized tanker.

John Woods, in Pacific, Sends Mother Greetings

Mr. and Mrs. John Woods of Midland have just received a telegraphic Mother's Day greeting from their son who is on a Pacific island.

Ickes Again Asks Pipe For Line To East Coast; Request Twice Refused

WASHINGTON (AP)—A move to build a 1,500-mile pipeline from Texas to the populous New York-Philadelphia area has been revived as the only alternative to Eastern sea-lining rationing along the Eastern seaboard.

A third application for priorities on the metal required for the pipeline will be submitted to the War Production Board this week by Petroleum Coordinator Ickes, government oil officials said. Twice Ickes has been refused the metal for the project.

Ickes has been informed by the Petroleum Industry War Council that the huge conduit afforded the only means of relief to Eastern motorists subject to a stringent rationing order.

Ralph K. Davies, deputy petroleum coordinator, said the line was "the central and most important part" of the planning of means to ease the oil shortage.

"We have high hopes," he added, "for the line from Texas would just about assure meeting the East

Seek Make Midland First In State To Complete Fund; Large Group Of Workers Rally Early, Start Drive

More than 50 civic leaders of Midland went to work early Monday, determined to get Midland County's quota of \$2,344.20 quickly for the USO, and take the lead in the nationwide drive to obtain \$32,000,000 to provide recreation and entertainment for men of the Armed Forces.

These civic leaders had the will to win and even talked of concluding their campaign in one day.

"The USO is building the morale of the Armed Forces," John W. House, regional USO chairman, told the campaigners at a breakfast in Hotel Scharbauer's Crystal ballroom.

"Texas is the pace-setter for the United States and West Texas sets the pace for Texas," he continued.

House reviewed the work of the USO and explained its program for the future. Curt Inman, general chairman of the campaign, presided at the "kick-off" breakfast.

Mayor Urges Quick Action

"Like all wars, this is a war of sacrifice," Mayor M. C. Ulmer told the workers. "We haven't begun to pay yet. It is our obligation to contribute to provide the proper atmosphere around the men on the battlefronts."

"The USO follows the Armed Forces wherever they go. It is a worthy cause. The need for this work exists, and it is our duty to keep paying as long as this need exists."

Ulmer explained the recreational setup in Midland for soldiers, asserting an excellent job is being done with the cooperation of the WPA and "when and if further need is found, the USO will be called upon to aid."

Meantime, he suggested that Midland continue its present setup so the USO can send every dollar possible to provide recreation and entertainment for men in foreign service and on the battle fronts.

Collyns Talks

Bill Collyns predicted Midland County would be the first in Texas to meet its quota and expressed the wish Texas would be the first state to tell the USO it had raised its share of the War Fund.

"It's our patriotic duty," Collyns told the workers.

Campaign workers proved without question that Midland has the will to win and that is the stuff victories are made of.

The Rev. Hubert Hopper asked the invocation.

America's fighting men have the spirit, but loneliness, monotony and boredom can destroy it. This is where the USO comes in.

The USO guarantees America's fighting men, in their minutes of relaxation, the fun and friendship they deserve. Midland's contribution is its pledge to the fighting men that Midland stands behind them.

Although every effort will be made to obtain the quota promptly and first reports from workers indicated Midland would be liberal in its contribution, leaders of the drive said every citizen would be given an opportunity to contribute his share and no person will be overlooked by the workers. They are anxious to have a contribution, be it large or small, from each citizen.

Hugh Eley Died Sunday; Funeral In Altus Monday

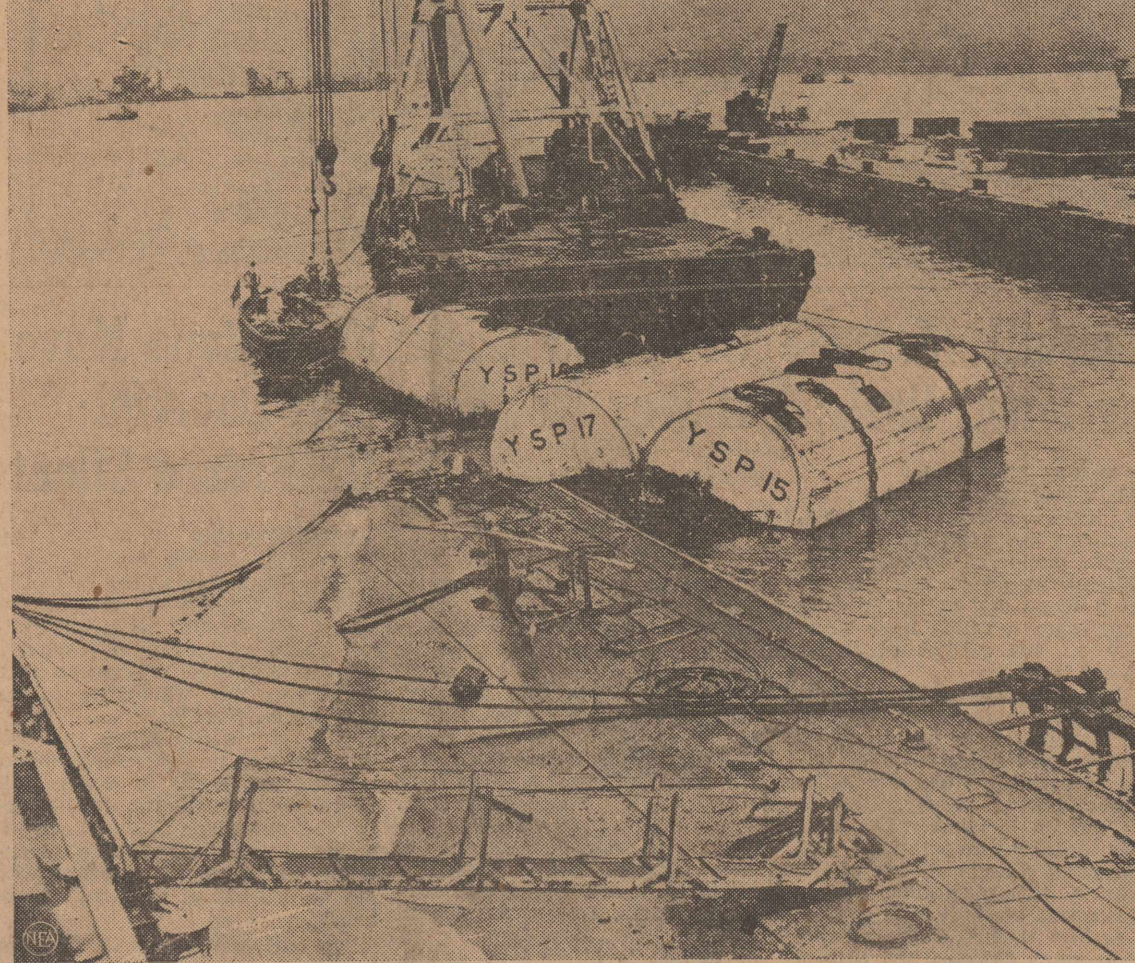
Hugh Eley, geologist with the Magnolia Petroleum Company in the Midland district for the past two years, died early Sunday in a Dallas hospital. His funeral was held at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon in Altus, Oklahoma, his former home.

Eley had been sick for several weeks, and Saturday was removed from a local hospital to a Dallas hospital, where he died early Sunday. He is survived by Mrs. Eley, who was with him at the time of his death.

All members of the Midland geological department of the company are in Altus for the funeral services. H. A. Hemphill accompanied Eley and Mrs. Eley to Dallas, and on to Altus. Fred H. Wilcox, George Gibson, and W. Lloyd Haseltine, other members of the department, left Sunday for Altus.

Eley has taken an active part in geological work in the area, and in work of the geological societies. He was taken sick in Fort Stockton several weeks ago, and was returned here for treatment, suffering from a tropical fever.

Pearl Harbor: Japs Can't Keep a Good Ship Down



Minelayer Oglala, sunk at her pier in first day of war, is raised by Navy pontoons as salvage work continues at Pearl Harbor. Note warships in background.

Churchill Report Is Hopeful But Gas Threat Darkens

LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill's brightest war report so far was overshadowed Monday by the terrible prospect of gas warfare which he raised Sunday with his warning to Germany that Britain could, and would, strike back as firmly as the Nazis dared to start it.

The British attitude was one of abhorrence for the use of gas but of confidence that Germany would invite disaster for her cities and people by starting it—and had better think twice if, as the Russians already have reported, she is testing it on the Crimean front.

Gas War Feared

British newspapers, recalling that Churchill accurately had foreseen "events at hand" in the past, took for granted that he spoke of an imminent possibility. They renewed warnings to civilians to carry gas masks and their military writers dwelt on Britain's capacity to wage such warfare.

Speaking two years after the Germans had stormed across France to Dunkerque, 20 miles from England's shore, when he could promise nothing but "blood, sweat and tears" amid the darkness of Western Europe's collapse, Churchill Sunday gave Britain and her Allies what he called a well earned "message of good cheer." It was his second anniversary as Prime Minister.

Finally gaining the "awful balances" that had turned and now "we have only to endure and persevere to conquer."

Contrasted even with his last (See CHURCHILL, page 5)

Sell Autos Now, For Post-War Delivery, Is OPM Suggestion

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—A plan to sell automobiles now for post-war delivery so that the buyers who pay early would have first priorities on peace time production was advanced here Monday by Dr. Rolf Nugent of Washington, chief of the automobile rationing branch of the Office of Price Administration.

Under his proposal salesmen would be kept busy taking orders, the finance companies would handle the deals, and advertising agencies would appeal to the public to buy.

"The consumer would make his payments as before," Nugent said in an interview, "and would be entitled to a price discount on the purchase just as he receives on a government War Bond. I have recommended that the funds so derived, after commissions and other expenses are deducted, be trusted with the Federal Reserve System."

Peruvian President Pledges Full Support In Fight Against Axis; Addresses Senate, House

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Manuel Prado told the Senate Monday that "the cooperation of Peru is destined to represent a factor of real importance in the solutions of the common problems of the defense of our continent."

The Peruvian President, in a ten minute speech in the Senate chamber, outlined Peru's position on world affairs and pledged the cooperation of his country in the United Nations' war effort.

"In the name of Peru, whose destinies I have the honor to guide, I reiterate in this supreme moment her spontaneous adherence to the international policy of President Roosevelt," the President said.

"I reaffirm my unbreakable faith that, however strong the forces of oppression and despotism and how

Allied Bombers Take Further Toll; Major Naval Conflict Ceases

Believe Japs Will Assault With Larger Force In Australian Area; Nation Warned That Major Battle For Commonwealth Yet To Be Fought

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Australia.—In a sequel to the great battle of the Coral Sea, Allied bombers dealt another blow to Japanese naval power Sunday by sinking or damaging two enemy submarines off northeastern Australia, General MacArthur's headquarters announced Monday.

The number of Japanese vessels officially reported knocked out of action or badly crippled in this theater in the past seven days thus was raised to a grand total of 21.

Competent observers said there were good grounds to believe that the Allied announcements of Japanese losses had been conservative and there has been little mention of transports.

Transports Lost

Correspondents were informed Monday, however, that the enemy force included transports and that when the full list of sinkings is announced it might include transport losses. Thus far communique have listed only two "transports or supply ships" sunk and two damaged.

Monday's communique made the first mention of Japanese submarines.

Whether the submarines were part of the enemy fleet repulsed by Allied forces last week in the Coral Sea was not clear, but it was evident that the Allied Air Force was continuously patrolling those waters in search of scattered remnants of the Japanese armada.

First indication of this was given Sunday in a communique announcing that Allied planes had damaged another Japanese seaplane tender and a tanker in the Coral Sea.

No Naval Clashes

That communique definitely declared, however, that there had been no further contact between Japanese and Allied naval units Saturday and no further mention of naval action was made by MacArthur's headquarters Monday in reporting on Sunday's developments.

Official quarters declined to elaborate on the situation and it still was uncertain whether the Coral Sea action definitely had been broken off or whether the opposing fleets were maneuvering to resume the battle which a Saturday communique said had "ceased temporarily."

The German-controlled Paris radio broadcast a report Monday that powerful Japanese naval reinforcements had arrived in the Coral Sea for the "resumed" battle, but the report was not confirmed by any other source.

Attack Seaplanes

In addition to blasting the two Japanese submarines Sunday, Allied bombers were reported to have attacked enemy seaplanes in the Louisiade Islands off the southeastern tip of New Guinea.

Five Japanese seaplanes were reported destroyed or badly damaged by the Allied bombers credited with damaging the seaplane tender and tanker Saturday.

Two other enemy planes—both Zero fighters—were destroyed when Allied fighters intercepted a light attack Sunday on Port Moresby, (See JAP BATTLE, Page Two)

NEW YORK.—(AP)—Dynamiters have damaged the station of Radio Paris and the famous Parisian restaurant of Marguerys, trustworthy advises to the Associated Press from Europe said Monday. Many were killed.

NEW DELHI, India.—(AP)—British Blenheim bombers have struck again at the Japanese-occupied airdrome at Magwe, just south of Yenangaung on the Irrawaddy river in Burma, a communique announced Monday.

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The Navy announced Monday that a medium-sized British merchant vessel had been torpedoed off the Atlantic coast and that survivors had been landed at an East Coast port.

LONDON.—(AP)—Reuters dispatches from Stockholm Monday reported a split within the ranks of Premier Quisling's Norwegian-Nazi party, as a result of which several district leaders were said to have been deposed and sent to concentration camps.

13,934 Citizens Of Midland County Ask Sugar Ration Books

With registration of 957 men of the Midland Army Flying School in the last week northeast of Chefang, 25 miles from the Burma border, then crushed the right wing by wiping out 500 men Saturday afternoon.

The number of registrants at the Bombardier College was announced Monday. Registrants in the city of Midland totaled 12,938. The county's total before the Army figure was announced was 13,933.

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Despite heavy Japanese shelling and bombing, the Chinese were said to have reached the outskirts of the city, which already has recaptured Maymyo, former Allied headquarters, and is pressing toward both Lashio and Mandalay.

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Give Price Control A Chance

Confusion and misunderstandings probably are inevitable, as the new price control regulations go into effect. There will be deliberate frauds, sly chiseling. But these will be in the minority. The real trouble will arise from honest if careless errors; from ignorance on the part of both merchants and customers; from suspicion, intolerance, hot-headedness.

Most of the disputes will be started by customers who believe that they are being charged illegal prices. Nine out of 10 of these—perhaps 99 out of 100—can be avoided if buyers will make certain of their facts.

Actually the price control system is simple so far as the consuming public is concerned.

All you need to remember is this: Except for certain exempted commodities, the merchant is forbidden to charge more for any article after May 18 than the highest price for which he sold the same thing during March.

That ought not to leave room for misunderstandings. But it will. There are a million and one possibilities. Many merchants keep no real records. They price merchandise, as it comes in, sell it, and a month later have no good idea of what they charged for it.

These men must now go over their stocks, determine for each item their highest March price, and mark their goods accordingly.

There will be innumerable instances in which items now in stock differ from those sold in March. The merchant must try to determine what things he sold in March are most similar to those he has in May, and fix prices accordingly.

In so huge a task, it would seem improbable that honest mistakes can be avoided.

Moreover, the buyer's memory may prove fickle. Under our setup, each merchant has his own price ceiling for every article in stock. The price charged next door has nothing to do with the matter.

If we remember buying a certain brand of coffee for 27 cents, and the grocer asks us 31, we should be very certain that the lower price was not at some other store before accusing him of violating price control rules.

Leon Henderson, who is not given to over-patience with violations, has emphasized the enormity of the task and the need for patience, understanding and co-operation.

This does not mean we should permit chiseling. It means rather we should make sure we are right before we cause trouble.

Let's give both the merchants and the Office of Price Control a fair chance to do as well as they can, with wages and farm products left to run wild.

We Need Victories

And so Corregidor is gone, and another glorious chapter has been added to the legend of the Far East, where Wake Island and Bataan have demonstrated that the sons of democracy have no superiors, man for man, as fighters.

The sad thing is that all these epics of heroism had to be in lost causes. Our little expeditionary forces have fought to the bitter end against overwhelming odds. To us the glory, to the Japs the spoils.

We can not continue thus indefinitely. We must find the way to get enough men and equipment to the battlefields to stop the little brown men in their tracks.

The Serbs Still Fight

It is easy to understand why Hitler was so anxious last year to have Yugoslavia sell out to the Axis. He knew how easily his mechanized legions could overrun the little Balkan country. But probably he realized, also, that such a victory would be far from final.

When we win this war, we should do something nice for the Serbs. Thanks to them, the Nazi attack on Russia was delayed so long that winter saved Moscow, and gave Britain and us time to help the Reds. Meanwhile General Mikhalovitch's little guerilla army is tying up close to half a million Italians, Hungarians, Bulgarians, Germans and Croats who, otherwise, would be available for the invasion of Russia.

All things come to him who—orders hash.

The only thing wrong with babies is that they grow up, stop being human, and become people.

Wool
BOSTON (AP)—(USDA) — The cattle, shalable, 2,000, calves 700. finer grades of domestic territory fleeces were in some demand Monday at steady prices and one-quarter blood bright fleeces sold in car lots direct to the mills about as soon as available. Fine combing territory wool of good average types brought \$1.15-\$1.18 scoured basis. Bright one-quarter blood fleeces wools sold at 52-53 cents grease basis.

WANTS TO CATCH UP WITH THE OLD ONES FIRST
JACKSON, Miss. (AP)—There has been a lot of agitation to shorten the biennial session of the Mississippi legislature and an example in brevity was set recently for one of the solons by a constituent.

As the session rolled on with some 300 bills introduced, Rep. Mike Durr of Pinola received the following note from one of his supporters: "Dear Sir, Will you please let the law stay as it is?"



Churchill Message Of Good Cheer Has Much Basis; But War Not Won

By DeWitt MacKenzie
Wide World War Analyst

British Premier Churchill's broadcast Sunday strikes me as containing more really sunlit optimism—"a message of good cheer," as he called it—than any of his previous pronouncements, which have borne heavily on the subject of sweat, blood and tears.

In his summary of the military position the Premier really stepped rather heavily on the pedal and let the organ peel out a note of triumphant certainty that the Allies are marching to victory. Because Mr. Churchill is conservative, studiously avoiding exaggeration—and exaggeration probably is one of the few things this pugnacious statesman is afraid of—it is good to hear him declare that "We are moving through many reverses and defeats to complete and final victory," and then proceed to prove it.

But Churchill's talk wasn't all pleasant, for he injected a note of horror into it by announcing that the Russians believe "the Germans in the desperation of their assault may make use of poison gas against the armies and people of Russia." If the Nazis resort to such measures, the British will use their "great and growing air superiority in the West to carry gas warfare on the largest possible scale far and wide against military objectives in Germany."

The danger that the Axis powers would resort to the use of poison gas if they became desperate has always been in Allied minds. The great fear has been that they would start dumping in on civilians in great cities. British and Russian suspicion of the Nazis is, of course, justified because it was the Germans who in the last World War violated International Law and first employed gas against the Allies.

The first effective use of gas in modern war was April 22, 1915, when the Germans let it loose against unprotected French troops, thereby eliminating all resistance for a depth of several miles. The Allies lost no time in retaliating, and from that time on it was used by both sides. Since then much more terrible gases have been produced in many countries, and if these are now let loose we are likely to witness frightfulness such as the world never before has known.

The halt in the battle of the Coral Sea easily may be merely a breathing spell after the first phase of a great engagement which will continue until it has much to do with determining the control of the Southwest Pacific.

It will be passing strange if this fierce clash between combined air and naval forces is being dropped like a hot potato. It's probable that either the grievously wounded Jap fleet, which has been compelled to retire before our arms, will return to the assault, or that General MacArthur will find himself in a more favorable position to initiate a further offensive against the New Guinea and Babat bases from which the Japanese are threatening Australia and American communications.

We still lack details to enable us to appraise the full significance of this initial round, and it may be a considerable time before we secure all the facts. However, it is clear that we have dealt the enemy a heavy blow, especially in the air arm, through the sinking of one aircraft carrier and the disabling of another.

PTA To Sponsor Brower's Varieties
Brower's Varieties will be presented at 1 and 2 p. m. Friday as the last in the series of student entertainment features sponsored by North Ward PTA this year.

Alva Brower, ventriloquist, will present his three dummies, Oscar, Jerry and Lucy.

Married women a hundred years ago, had no legal right to the money they earned.

Martinique Move Still Doubtful; US-France Silent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gaston Henry-Haye, French Ambassador to Washington, called at the State Department Monday to present the Vichy government's views on United States proposals to safeguard French Caribbean possessions and commented that "this is no time to pour oil on the fire."

"The less I say today the better," he told newspapermen before meeting Secretary of State Hull. "Patience is called for at the moment. I am trying to avoid complications which might interfere with the adjustment of a delicate problem."

The ambassador indicated that he had come to discuss, rather than to protest, the American negotiations which were opened directly with Admiral Georges Robert, French high commissioner at Martinique last Saturday.

He declined to discuss the nature of the American proposals or to disclose the attitude of the Vichy government. State Department officials likewise have declined to discuss details of the negotiations.

The German radio Monday broadcast a Vichy dispatch saying that the United States had demanded that French warships off Martinique be demobilized; that United States garrisons be permitted on the island, and that a number of French tankers be turned over to the United States.

There was no definite word from Martinique as to Admiral Robert's reaction to the American offer to guarantee French sovereignty over the Caribbean possessions of France in return for peaceful cooperation with United States defense measures in that area.

Aztec calendars were made of stone, and sometimes weighed 20 tons.

H. R. Field, in Northwestern Yoakum County, is drilling at 5,051 feet in lime, with no shlogs logged.

In Central Lubbock County, Standford Oil & Gas Company No. 1 J. F. Stimmet is drilling at 6,756 feet in light brown fossiliferous lime.

Small Operator May Get Federal Help, Oilmen Told

AUSTIN (AP)—Construction of a 24-inch pipe line from Texas to Eastern industrial centers is the ultimate solution to the complex oil transportation problem and the Office of Petroleum Coordinator is taking steps to obtain priorities for the line, E. DeGolyer, OPC director of conservation, Monday informed Texas oil men attending an emergency statewide proration hearing.

The hearing was called by the Texas Railroad Commission to obtain reports from crude purchasers on amounts needed from individual fields upon which the commission will base allowable production scheduled for the last 15 days in May.

Federal Petroleum Coordinator Harold L. Ickes has recommended a slash of 200,000 barrels daily to curtail statewide yield to 960,000 barrels daily and members of the commission, asserting the cut would force 3,000 small operators into bankruptcy, has refused to accede to Ickes' request.

The Commission issued proration schedules allowing production of more than 1,000,000 barrels daily the first half of May.

Before DeGolyer discussed efforts of the OPC to solve the transportation problem, which developed because of tanker losses, Chairman Ernest O. Thompson of the Commission expressed the opinion federal loans to operators would keep them out of bankruptcy. "Pending solution of the transport problem by pipe lines and barges using the intercoastal canal," Thompson asserted "the federal government may have to purchase and store crude and gasoline in order to keep the small operator and refiner from being forced out of the picture."

"The storage facilities are available and the oil can be gotten to storage. By this method, the operator can pay his bank loans and keep up his search for oil. We had better keep him alive. He finds the oil."

Thompson read 1937 figures showing that at that time 87.9 percent of the oil produced in the Southwest moved to market by water routes and the remainder by pipe lines, railroads and trucks.

He declared railroads now were carrying 600,000 barrels daily, but that the figure lacked 400,000 of being sufficient for Eastern wartime industrial needs.

Check Fields
After DeGolyer concluded his report, the commission launched into a tedious process of checking, field by field, the needs of purchasers for the remainder of May.

During the opening minutes of checking, the Humble Oil and Refining Company indicated its original nominations remained firm but Magnolia Petroleum Company reported it would not need as much oil as it had indicated a month ago.

DeGolyer, asserting he was appealing on the Commission's request that the OPC be represented, said he had been asked by J. R. Parton of Houston, now OPC Director of Transportation, to make the report.

"I am here to review the oil transportation situation which has undergone violent displacement," DeGolyer declared. "The OPC knows Texas is suffering and believes the ultimate solution is a pipe line job."

"Currently there are only 800,000 barrels of oil daily reaching the

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Proposals Up For Taking Part Of Weekly Pay For Direct War Work

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Plans to compel every American wage earner to invest a part of his weekly pay check in the war effort were put forth in both branches of Congress Monday.

Chairman George (D-Ga.) of the Senate Finance Committee advocated a withholding tax of from 5 to 10 per cent on all wages, salaries and dividends, while Rep. Gore (D-Tenn.) came forth with a bill to deduct a percentage of every wage, beginning with 6 per cent in the \$20-30 unmarried class, and ranging upward.

The Gore bill, which provides that the money deducted be used to purchase war bonds for the employee, would set up the following scale in the lower brackets:

Weekly Wage	Single	Married
\$20 to \$30	6 per cent	None
\$30 to \$40	Plus 7 per cent of amount over \$30	7 per cent of amount over \$30
\$40 to \$50	Plus 8 per cent of amount over \$40	\$7.0 plus 8 per cent of amount over \$40
\$50 to \$60	Plus 9 per cent of amount over \$50	\$15.0 plus 9 per cent of amount over \$50
\$60 to \$70	Plus 10 per cent of amount over \$60	\$25.0 plus 10 per cent of amount over \$60

In the higher brackets, annual income would be limited to \$25,000, after payment of taxes, with the remainder going into the purchase of bonds. That was the limit favored by President Roosevelt in his recent share-the-war speech.

Senator Gore's 5-to-10 percent withholding tax plan was offered as an alternative to the Treasury's proposal to obtain \$1,100,000,000 in new revenues by lowering income tax exemptions.

Asserting that the treasury plan would place a "terrific burden" on the low income groups, George predicted that Congress would be forced to turn instead to some new form of taxation such as a withholding or sales levy. Of the two, he said he preferred a withholding tax.

Jap Battle--

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Allied outpost on the southern coast of New Guinea, headquarters declared.

In line with the General Allied policy of caution against over-optimism, Sir Keith Murdoch, of the Melbourne Herald, declared "it is sheer folly to say we have smashed an invasion fleet" in the Coral Sea.

"The naval and air engagement in the Coral Sea was against a comparatively light Japanese naval force, not against the main Japanese fleet," he said. "What must be realized is that a large Japanese expedition is beginning."

East. That means we are short by 520,000 barrels. Of course, Texas, farthest removed from the market, cannot produce the oil if it cannot be transported."

From where I sit...
by Joe Marsh

RUMMAGING through my desk the other day, I came across some snapshots of friends of mine made back in 1933.

If you don't think time flies... if you don't think this world ever changes... you ought to look at the women's hats and dresses in those pictures taken 9 years ago!

It gave me quite a start... and then it set me to thinking... and rememberin'! Lots of things sure happened in 1933. A new administration in Washington... the turning point of the depression... and the coming of Repeal.

I remember the re-legalization of beer. It came before Repeal, when Congress amended the old Volstead Act to allow legal sale of "3.2" beer.

What talk and arguments they had in those days! One argument I remember well... was that beer would do a lot to help bring back prosperity. I wondered at the time whether that argument could be proved.

I'm glad it did, too, because beer is such a pleasant, appetizing beverage. And it stands for moderation and moderate people... it's not likely to get you in trouble.

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By William E. McKenney
America's Card Authority
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1072	10532		
987	AKJ5		
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Anticipating a cross-ruff, West opened the jack of spades. While his inference was wrong, his lead was a killer. Dummy played low and L. D. Boone of Grenada, Miss., sitting East, set the stage for a swindle by playing the queen. South won with the ace.

Now the scientific mind of the expert goes to work. He has to figure out whether West originally held the jack-ten-seven of trumps or just the jack-seven. The declarer played a small trump and finessed dummy's nine-spot. Boone won with the ten and the apparent void contract went down one trick.

KITTENS OR CHICKS: ALL THE SAME TO A HEN

COFFEYVILLE, Kas. (AP)—Carl Rich's pet hen finally has heckled a cat into abandoning her two kittens so the hen can take over the job of mothering them.

The kittens were born in the hen's nest and the chicken didn't let the mother cat rest until the latter gave up the idea that she had any place in the family picture.

The kittens climb into the nest every night and snuggle under the hen's feathers.

WINDOW DRESSING BUT TOO DARN GOOD

GLENDIVE, Mont. (AP)—The scoutmaster of Troop 33, who suggested his scouts do a "realistic job" of making a dummy for a first aid exhibit, got exactly what he requested.

The dummy was placed on exhibit in a hardware store's window, with some first aid equipment.

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Hogs salable 1,800; top 13.95; packer top 13.85; paid for most good and choice 180-280 lb averages; good and choice 150-175 lb 13.35-75.

Sheep salable 5,500; most spring lambs 11.00-13.00, some held higher; shorn lambs 11.25-75, latter price for No. 2 pelts; mixed grade shorn aged wethers 7.00, medium grade shorn feeder lambs 8.00 down.

Canada has a population estimated at 10,000,000, less than one-half of whom are of British descent.

THE IDLE LITTLE MEN WHO WEREN'T THERE

BERLIN, Md. (AP)—None of Worcester County's "chronic idlers" were found when the "go to work or go to jail" ultimatum expired. Most of them weren't found at all.

Sheriff J. William Hall said idlers were given the choice of a job or jail. When the deadline expired, he sought 132 he had listed as chronic idlers.

He said he didn't find an idle man anywhere—and couldn't find the majority of the 132 at all.

FIRST

Gunpowder first was employed to discharge a projectile early in the 14th century. It was used in a device by a German monk named Bernard Schwarz.

FUNNY BUSINESS



"It's from the wife—she can't cook!"

SIDE GLANCES



"My wife used to buy out a whole store in one afternoon before this 'carry your bundles and help national defense' idea came along."

THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



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LIVE-SAVING STEAKS

When a doctor ordered ice for his wife and no ice was available, an Eskimo of the Unga colony secured a stack of frozen steaks from a frosted food plant and applied the steaks instead of ice, thus saving her life.

WINTER IS DANGEROUS

In winter, fatal automobile accidents increase 40 per cent in the northern half of the United States and 20 per cent in the southern half.

LOTS OF CONVENTIONS

More than 20,000 conventions were scheduled and held in the United States and Canada during 1941. This is an all-time record.

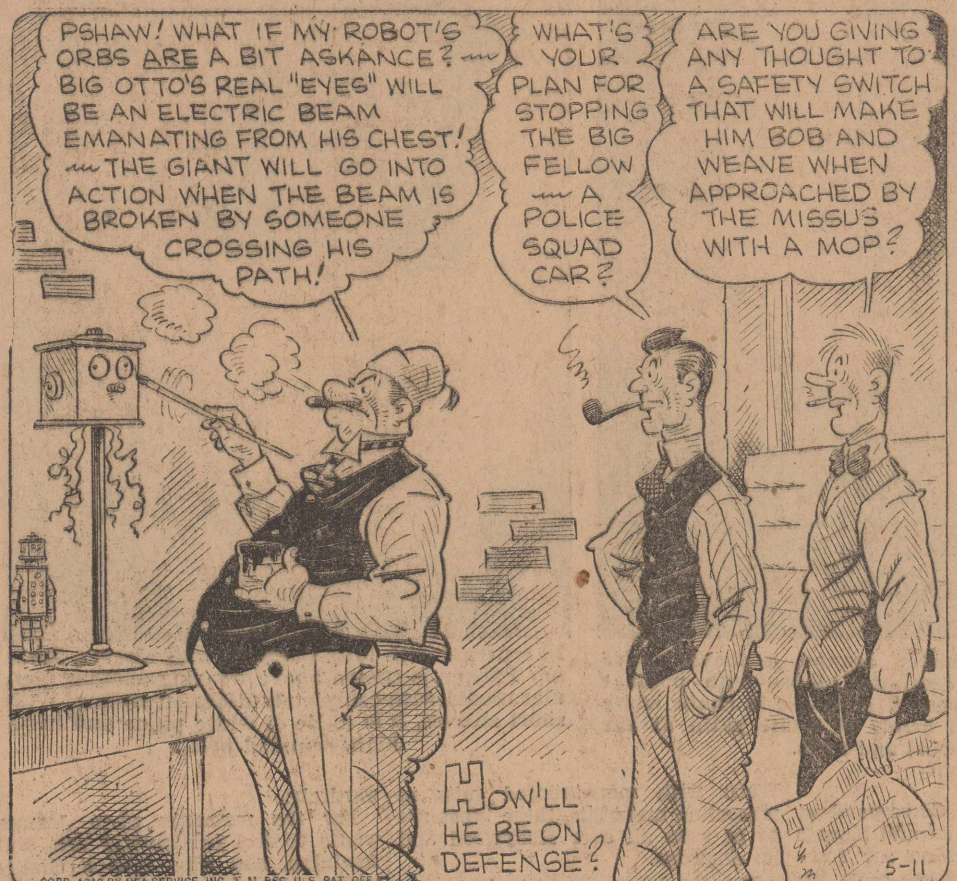
LONG TRIP

If one train were to travel all the trackage in the United States at 60 miles an hour, it would require 292 days for the trip.

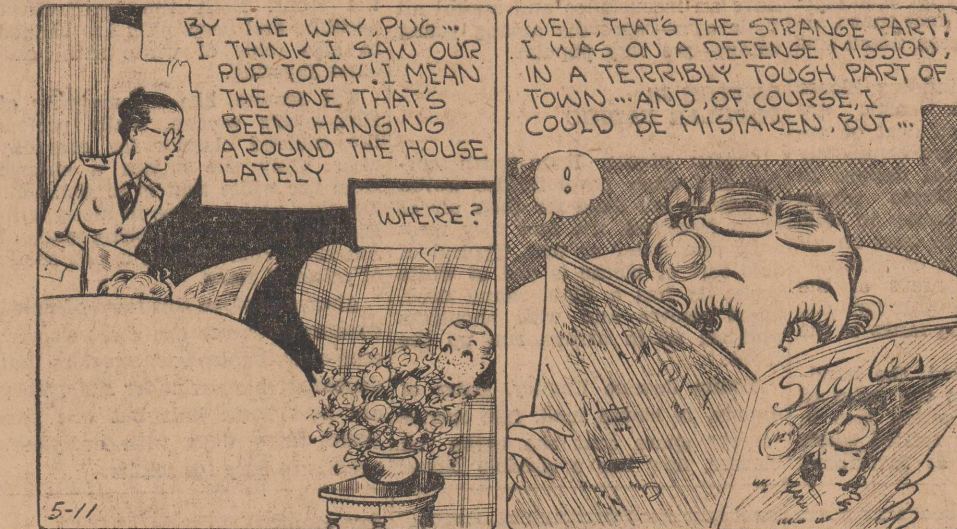
ROSES BY OTHER NAMES

Apples, apricots, cherries, peaches, pears, plums, and most berries are members of the rose family, which supplies us with more important fruits than any other group of plants.

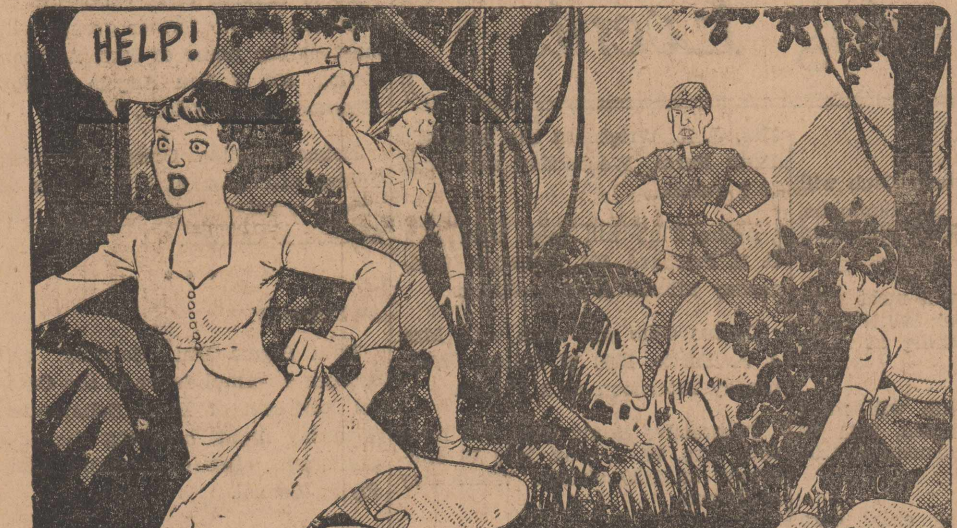
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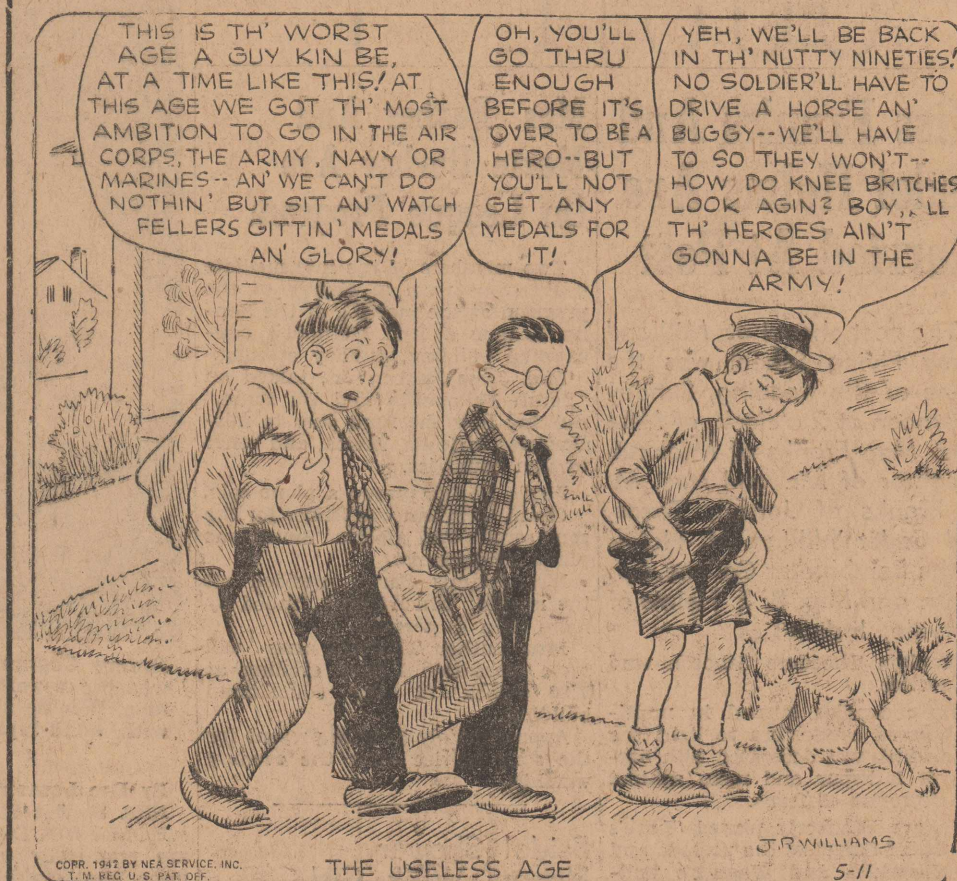
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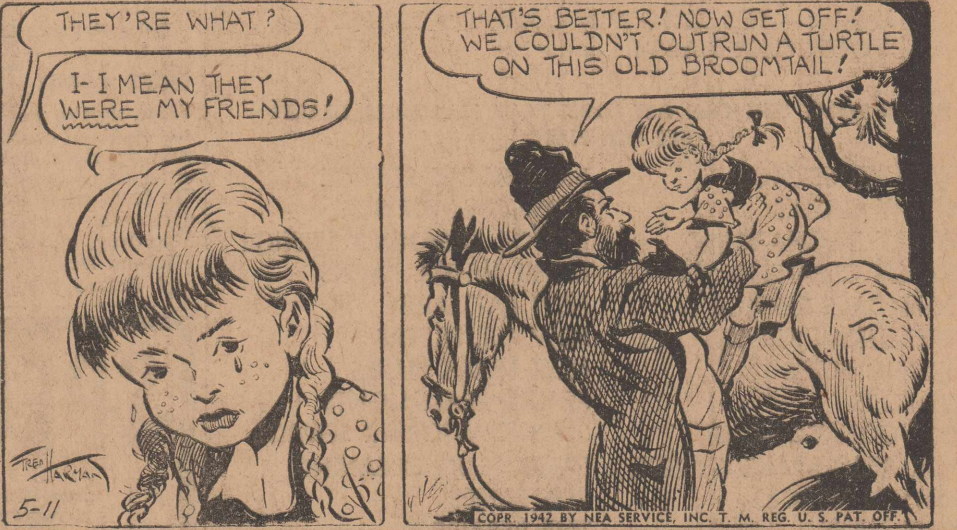
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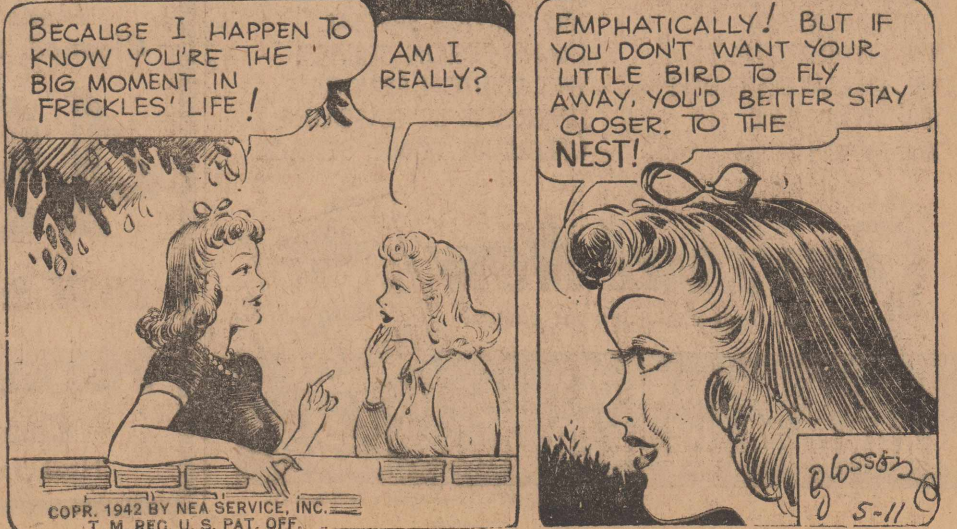
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By Fred Harman



By Merrill Blosser



Junior-Senior Grid Game Tuesday

Annual Clash To Show Next Year's Squad In Action

The annual Junior-Senior game at Midland high has been moved up from Wednesday to Tuesday, it was announced by Coach B. E. McCollum Monday. The grid clash, which will end spring training for the Bulldogs, is scheduled to start at 5 p. m. Tuesday evening. There will be no admission charge for the game.

The Junior team will be composed of next year's football squad, and the Senior team will be made up mostly of last year's gridsters who will not be back next season.

Heading the Junior squad will be swivel-hipped Ivan Hall and passing Bill Richards. Blocking back, Marshall Whitmore, will be in the line up to lead interference and back the pigskin occasionally. Stellar Robert Wheeler will be the power of the Junior eleven and will do quarterback duty from his full-back position.

In the line for the Junior will be one of the sturdiest bunch of boys ever to play for Midland High. At end positions will be Jimmy Watson and Junior Bird. Watson has made himself known throughout this region in past football campaigns and is better now than ever before. He has a good mate in Bird on the other end. At tackles will be J. T. Robinson and Pete Lee. They can open holes with the best of 'em, and both are bone-crushing tacklers. Guards will be John Guy McMillan and Red Roy—a rough and rowdy set who will be heard from plenty Tuesday and next season. Center will be Jack Taylor. Taylor has shown more improvement than any boy on the squad during the spring training season. He has had very little previous experience in football, but has come along nicely.

Seniors Are Plenty Good
The Seniors need no introduction to Midland football fans. They are the boys who did the job in past seasons—and will be doing their last job for Midland High in Tuesday's encounter.

Probable starters for the Seniors

will be: Tony Watson and Charlie Kelly at ends; Ben Sevier and Gene Estes at tackles; J. B. Harris and Leonard Lettwich at guards; Jack Noyes at center; Wilford Lester at fullback, E. G. Foster at halfback, Keith Graham at halfback, Buddy Davidson, Dick Lee, and Bill Chancellor alternating at quarterback position.

Bulldogs Have Reserves
There will be a host of good reserve men ready for use at any time for the Juniors. Seniors will probably have fewer reserves and may be forced to use a few of the Juniors.

Sports Slants

By Shorty Shelburne

The Aggies of Texas A&M put a stop to Texas U. the other day and carried off the Southwest Conference baseball title. Some people have been wondering why the Aggies could win the title over such competition. As a solution, I give you the All-Southwest Conference baseball team—five Aggies included.

The mythical team follows: Catchers, Scoggin of A&M and Dub Barrow of Rice; pitchers, Stevenson of A&M, Dume of Texas, and Garcia of Baylor; left field, Rogers of A&M; centerfielder, Hagerman of SMU; right field, Alford of TCU; first base, Porter of A&M; second base, Stone of Texas; shortstop, Hatton of Texas; third base, Peden of A&M.

The Aggies completed their schedule last week by topping Texas 8-4 and 5-4—cinching the conference title.

This column had the first place horse in the Preakness last Saturday, and the first place entry in the Derby a week before. And thrown in was the second place horse in the Derby. The undisclosed source of the dope is none other than Nevil, Alfrey. Nevil is the so called "expert" that has done most of the picking and given most of the slants on the big races. But Frank Gardner must not be forgotten. Gardner was off the beam in the Kentucky Derby, but he had 'em in the Preakness. Thanks to these two sportsmen, I have one of the best sources of race forecasts.

See the next season Midland High Bulldogs in real battle against last year's Bulldogs at Lackey Field Tuesday evening. The date of the game has been moved up to May 12 instead of May 13. It will be worth seeing, too. Word battles have been fought for the past month between Juniors and Seniors, and Tuesday night we'll see the real thing.

There is no favorite in the game from where I sit. It will be close, but both teams should score freely.

Harry Bobo of Pittsburgh meets Gus Dorazio in a ten round scrap in Philadelphia Monday night. Bobo put the skids to Lem Franklin in one heat recently, but can he do it to Dorazio?

Out of the hat, it's Bobo to win in six or less.

The Midland Softball League will not start until Monday, May 18 due to difficulties encountered by league officials. The diamond on South Main is under water now, and the league couldn't start as scheduled, anyway. Everything is to be worked out by next Monday and the league will start Monday night.

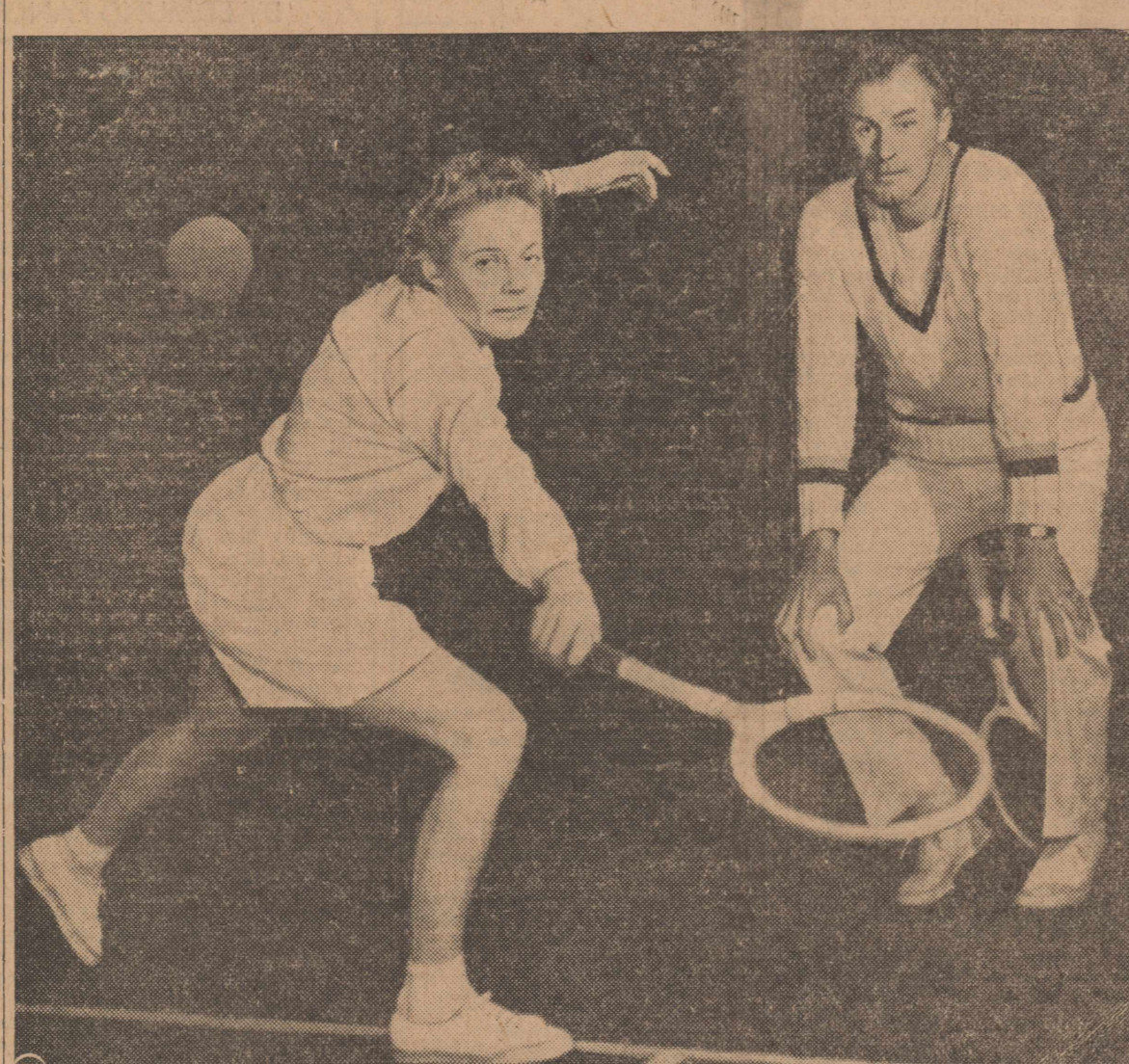
SERGEANT VISITS PARENTS
Sgt. Phillip H. Auld of Sheppard Field returned to his station Monday after spending Mother's Day here visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Auld.

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Dodgers And Yankees Keep In Win Column, As All Others Stumbling

Pitchers Had Great Day Before Record Crowds In All Games Sunday

By The Associated Press
It's a long way to the world series, but the New York Yankees and Brooklyn Dodgers appear to be heading toward a return engagement.

Both teams strengthened their positions at the head of their respective pennant races Sunday while their closest pursuers were knocking each other off or being kicked around by upstarts from the second division.

The accent was on pitching in the day's 15-game program and a total of 18 hurlers went the distance as if to show appreciation for the huge Sunday crowds which kept the turnstiles working overtime.

In the only singleton of the afternoon, the Brooklyn Dodgers stretched their National League lead to two and a half games by dumping the New York Giants, 5-2, as the second place Pittsburgh Pirates split with the Chicago Cubs and the Cincinnati Reds knocked the St. Louis Cardinals out of third place with a double shutout.

Rookie Ed Head limited the Giants to eight scattered hits in gaining his fourth straight triumph while the Dodgers pasted the loss on Carl Hubbell, who went looking for his first victory of the year and wound up instead with his second defeat.

Phil Cavarretta drove in the runs which gave the Cubs a 4-2 triumph over Pittsburgh in the first game at Chicago, but Bob Klinger pitched the Pirates to a 3-2 win in the afterpiece, yielding only five hits.

Bucky Walters returned to his old-time pitching form at Cincinnati, shutting out the Cardinals, 3-0, on four hits in the second game after Ray Starr had racked up his third straight mound decision by blanking the Cards, 1-0 in the opener.

The double defeat pulled the Cards into a fourth place tie with the Reds and turned third place over to the Boston Braves, who divided a twin bill with the Philadelphia Phils.

The Braves won the first game, 5-1, behind the four-hit pitching of Al Javery, but Ernie Koy blasted a three-run homer that gave the Phils the nightcap, 4-3.

In New York, the Yankees stretched their current winning streak to seven games and hiked their American League lead to two lengths with a twin win over the Washington Senators as Cleveland and Detroit split and the Philadelphia Athletics knocked off the Boston Red Sox twice.

A squeeze play in the ninth inning scored the run that gave the Yanks the first game, 4-3, and the second game went ten innings before Jack Wilson unhooked a wild pitch with a man on third, handing the world champions a 3-2 decision.

Tommy Bridges pitched five-hit ball in giving the Detroit Tigers a

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Oilers May Take League Lead, As Beaumont Falters

By The Associated Press
Beaumont clung to the Texas League lead by only one game as a result of a double defeat, 14-13 and 3-2, at the hands of the up-and-coming Tulsa Oilers Sunday.

If the Oilers drop a game Monday and Tulsa notches another victory the second-place Oilers will climb to the top of the heap. Beaumont, which started the season at a blazing pace, crumpled completely in the series at Tulsa, losing three in a row.

Outfielder Marvin Rickert of Tulsa banged out three homers in three appearances at the plate in the first game.

The Houston Buffs split a twin bill with the Cats at Fort Worth, dropping the first 2-5 and taking the second 5-1. The Shreveport Sports lost to the Indians at Oklahoma City 5-4 in the first game of a doubleheader, but came back to win the nightcap 7-5. The last-place Dallas Rebels, with the sad record of only 7 won out of 24 games this season, did a nosedive before a discouraged group of home fans, allowing the fourth-place San Antonio Missions to beat them twice in an afternoon, 6-5 and 8-3.

Glad Horton of Fort Worth baffled the Buffs in the opener and would have had a shutout if Monk Tucker hadn't stumbled going after a high fly in the ninth. Paul Dean racked up his third straight Texas League win for Houston in the second contest. The sole Cat run off Dean came on Roy Easterwood's circuit clout in the sixth.

Pistieffs featured the opening Shreveport-Oklahoma City game in the sixth inning when Sheldon Jones of the Tribe slid home to score and knocked Catcher Del Balingier off his feet. The pair traded punches and then wrestled as teammates swarmed onto the field, but order was soon restored.

Warns Radio Not To Be Innocent Aid To Enemies

CLEVELAND (AP)—Byron Price director of the Office of Censorship, urged Monday that radio follow the "rule of reason" in its role of voluntarily keeping information from the enemy while continuing to give about the war.

In an address prepared for the annual convention of the national association of broadcasters, Price put the final responsibility upon station operators not only for the proper broadcasting of news dispatches, but also for the activities of commentators and news analysts.

He warned against "speculation and prediction which makes itself the vehicle for smuggling of dangerous information."

It is not too much to say, he continued, "that the success or failure of voluntary cooperation in broadcasting will depend upon the degree of control which patriotic broadcasters exercise over the operation of their stations."

Of deepest concern, he said, is the error which results from "thoughtlessness or carelessness," rather than from faulty judgment.

Softball League Start Next Monday Night Here

The Midland Softball League will not start until next Monday night it was announced by officials Monday. The softball field is under way now, and play could not possibly begin tonight.

Final details are to be worked out before next Monday, and the season will get underway.

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Bobo Favored Win Over Dorazio Tuesday Night
PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Harry Bobo, one round knockout conqueror of Lem Franklin, risks a possible title bout with Joe Louis in taking on Philadelphia's veteran Gus Dorazio in a 10-rounder at the Arena Monday night.
The Pittsburgh negro, who returns to the ring where he won the National Junior A. A. U. heavyweight champion three years ago, must dispose of Dorazio in decisive fashion to retain a top rating among Louis' challengers.
Dorazio, a 13 to 5 underdog in the overnight betting, lasted less than two rounds against Louis in an indoor bout here two years ago. But he's made a come-back since then and in his last fight tarnished the reputation of Melio Bettina.

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