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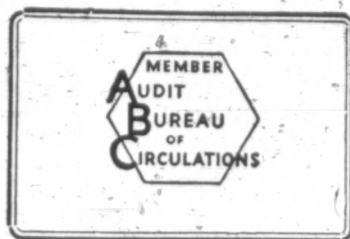
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WEATHER FORECAST
Kentucky and Tennessee —
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Murray, Kentucky, Friday Afternoon, August 29, 1947

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Legion Convention Hears Speeches By Nation's Top Army, Navy, Air Leaders

NEW YORK, Aug. 29 (UP)—American Legionnaires, opening today the second session of their 29th annual convention, heard Sir Ian Fraser, president of the British Legion of 1,500,000 war veterans, warn that Great Britain no longer can afford to defend the peace of the world.

Fraser, who is blind, was led to the speaker's platform at the 71st armory building by his wife.

"We pass the torch to you and our Canadian brothers," he said. "If in the future there is trouble in the world, we will be by your side, just as twice during the lifetime of most of us you have been ours."

Some 4,000 Legionnaires were gathered to hear addresses by the nation's three top military leaders, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Fleet Admiral C. W. Nimitz and Gen. Carl A. Spaatz. Each was expected to warn that America must make itself strong to resist aggression in the uneasy postwar world.

Sir Ian said Great Britain would recover from the present crisis even without further American loans, and that, speaking for himself, he would prefer that there be no new loan when the present one has run out.

There were many empty sections of seats on the main floor and in the balcony, causing national Legion Commander Paul H. Griffith to remark, when he called the session to order at 12:12 p.m., EDT, "I'm afraid that everybody's here except those who were supposed to take part in the meeting."

Some 15,000 attended the opening session in Madison Square Garden yesterday.

The Legion Auxiliary also was in session. Mayor William O'Dwyer told the assembled wives, daughters, mothers, and sisters of veterans that they should go back to their communities and campaign vigorously for low-cost housing for veterans.

O'Dwyer detailed the millions of dollars New York City has spent on the United Nations site and said he hoped it had not been spent in vain.

"Let us hope that all our efforts, strength, thinking, and patience will be dedicated through the United Nations to a strong agency where disputes can be dealt with sensibly across the table without resort to war," the mayor said.

Today's Legion session was held in the 71st armory building, Madison Square Garden, where yesterday's opening session was held, which will serve as a major Legion entertainment item tonight.



James P. Miller
An open-air meeting will be held at Crossland beginning Sunday and ending September 5, it was announced today. The meeting will be conducted by James P. Miller and is sponsored by the Hazel Church of Christ.

The Crossland meeting will start at 8 o'clock each night.

Services will be held Sunday morning, August 31, at the Hazel Church of Christ at 11 o'clock.

Singing School
A singing school will be held at Bethel Methodist Church beginning Monday, September 1. The church is located about two and one-half miles northeast of Murray.

The school, conducted by Barber Edwards, Kirksey, will continue for 10 nights.

The public is invited to attend.

U. S. Army Rejects 50 Per Cent
WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (UP)—The Army last month rejected half the men who answered its loud calls for enlistments. It rejected only 38 per cent last winter.

In disclosing the figures, Army officials conceded today that the increased rejection rate might be caused, in part, by the Army's "tougher" intelligence test.

The "passing score" was boosted at the beginning of the year.

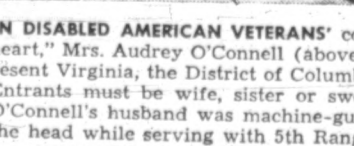
Last winter 22 out of every 100 prospective volunteers failed to pass the test. Last month 35 out of every 100 flunked it.

"But it's still an easy test," personnel officers insisted. "It would just be wasting the taxpayers' money to enlist anyone who can't pass it."

The percentage of rejections for physical and moral reasons has remained virtually unchanged. Last month 10.5 per cent of the men who answered the test were rejected for physical reasons as compared with 11.4 per cent last winter.

The Army is understrength by 67,000 men, but top procurement officers said flatly it has no intention of lowering enlistment standards.

SEEKING 'SWEETHEART' CROWN
IN DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS' contest to pick "America's Sweetheart," Mrs. Audrey O'Connell (above) of Washington, D. C., will represent Virginia, the District of Columbia, Maryland and West Virginia. Entrants must be wife, sister or sweetheart of a disabled vet. Mrs. O'Connell's husband was machine-gunned in the leg and wounded in the head while serving with 5th Rangers. (International Soundphoto)



Army Wives Will Keep Their Pets

TOKYO, Aug. 29 (UP)—Faced with embattled wives who said they would lock themselves in their apartments to defy an official ban on pets effective at noon, the Army said today no military police action would be taken if the animals were not removed immediately.

Col. John F. Davis, commander of headquarters and service group, denied that noon today was a "deadline" for compliance. He said, however, that Army and civilian personnel who didn't obey the order within the 48-hour time limit set by the Army Wednesday would be "referred to higher headquarters."

"Higher headquarters," according to Davis, means an unnamed section of Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters. Mac Arthur and his wife keep ducks in the pond by their home at the U. S. Embassy, which is apparently unaffected by the order.

Brig. Gen. R. N. Starr, who vacated his office yesterday in the midst of a mass demonstration by occupation wives who said their pets would go "over our dead bodies," refused to see the press or issue a statement.

The wives decided today to contact members of a congressional junket en route to Tokyo "and let them know a thing or two about the occupation they won't get from hitting the high spots."

Mrs. Anne Coon, New York, said she and three other women pet owners who live in the War Ministry apartments, across the street from the building where the war crimes trials are in progress, had vowed to approach the congressmen "personally."

They decided against having their husbands write protesting the eviction order. Mrs. Coon said because "it would only get them in trouble."

"Meanwhile," she said, "we are not giving up our dogs if we have to sit behind locked doors and wait for the MPs to break them in." She said the group had spurned an Army suggestion they board their dogs out with Japanese families "because everybody knows the Japanese eat dogs."

Two capitulations to the order were reported from other apartment billets.

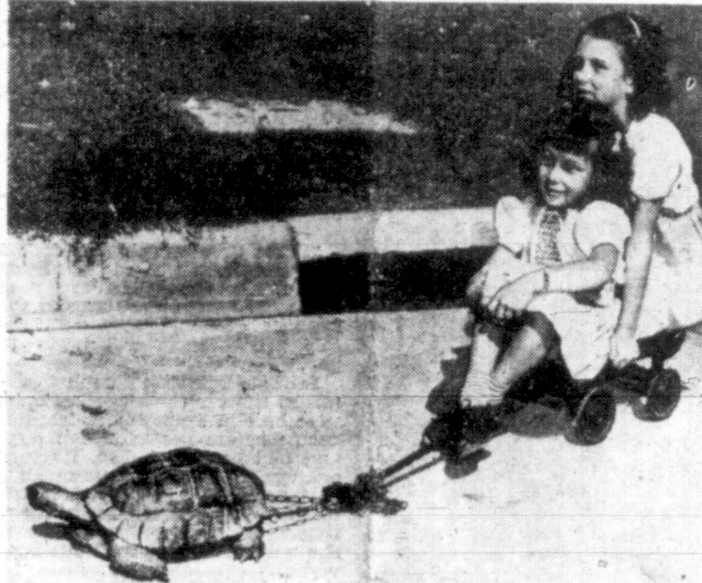
Lt. Col. and Mrs. Joe S. Carusi, New Haven, Conn., reluctantly agreed to let the maid keep their pet Japanese "pit bird" until this business is clarified.

Paving Begins On Broad Street; City May Furnish Help
Paving operations began yesterday on a small section of Broad street located on the south side of Murray. The work is being done by a paving company from Hopkinsville. The work being done is financed entirely by citizens having the section paved, the city, not contributing to the project.

An attempt was made through the circulation of a petition to get the future street paved, but as three property owners declined to sign, the street will remain as one of the few unpaved streets in the city.

City officials intimated the possibility of aid in the event that all property holders wanted the street paved.

TURTLE, NOT FAST, BUT LOTS OF FUN



STAR OF THE PET SHOW held in Ladera Park, Los Angeles, "Jumbo," a turtle, is so delighted at being awarded first prize that he gives his two mistresses, Susan and Ellen Grabau, a nice ride. "Jumbo," slow but sure, is shown pulling them along in their play wagon. (International)

LATE BULLETINS

Chinese Fight Navy Landing Party

SHANGHAI, Aug. 29 (UP)—An armed U. S. Navy landing party which went ashore in Chinese communist territory in search of a downed fighter pilot engaged in a pitched battle with "hidden and hostile guerrilla groups," the Navy disclosed today.

The incident occurred yesterday when the small landing party was attempting to make "friendly contact" with the Chinese on the Shantung promontory at Gorse Point.

The U. S. forces suffered no casualties, the Navy said, and "there is no knowledge as to injuries sustained by the hostile guerrillas."

The landing party withdrew to the beach after burning the plane wreckage. Efforts are continuing to contact Chinese in the area who will assist the Navy, an announcement said.

Hartley Asks Decision On Labor Law
WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (UP)—Chairman Fred A. Hartley Jr., of the house labor committee today drew the line for a battle with President Truman over administration of the Taft-Hartley labor law.

He formally requested the National Labor Relations Board to dismiss all 195 unfair labor practice cases pending under the Wagner Act unless the unions involved file non-communist affidavits and financial information as required under the new act.

Hartley's action pushed the board toward a major policy decision which it has postponed ever since the new law was enacted over Mr. Truman's veto. The NLRB's final ruling in this issue promises to touch off several law suits testing the constitutionality of the act.

Taber Misses Goal In Cutting Pay Roll
WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (UP)—Chairman John Taber, R. N. Y., of the house appropriations committee missed his goal of chopping 1,000,000 persons off the federal payroll by at least 800,000, government experts said today.

On the basis of latest figures the experts predicted the next official report on federal employees will show that only 180,000 to 200,000 employees were lopped off by reduced appropriations.

Taber, just prior to the opening of the last session of congress, asserted that as chairman of the committee handling money bills he would cut the payroll by at least 1,000,000. Some government administrators, including civil service commission officials, said it could not be done — and now they say it wasn't.

Uniformed Pair Sought In Double Deaths
OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 29 (UP)—Two men wearing Army uniforms were hunted today as the suspected slayers of a wealthy young Virginia couple whose bodies were found in a clump of bushes at the end of a trail of blood.

The victims were Robert L. May II, son of a well-known eastern family, and his 22-year-old bride of six months, Betty. Their bodies were discovered yesterday by a pair of young men hands.

Police began searching for the khaki-clad youths seen with the Mays by two witnesses on Wednesday.

A filling station attendant at Grand Island, Neb., told highway police that two men in Army uniforms talked with May and his wife when they stopped at his station. He said the men apparently were hitchhikers. The Mays drove off with the two men in the rear seat of their car.

Argentina Claims Falklands, Hit U. S.
PETROPOLIS, Brazil, Aug. 29 (UP)—Delegates to the inter-American conference, especially those of the United States, were shocked today by reports from Buenos Aires of pro-government attacks on U. S. policy.

The delegates also were amazed at reaction in a pro-government paper to inclusion of the Falkland Islands in the hemisphere security zone as a great Argentine triumph, and a virtual claim to hemisphere recognition of Argentina's long standing claim to sovereignty over the islands, also claimed by Great Britain.

Uneasiness was evident over the uncertain interpretation of the treaty, as emphasized by reports from Buenos Aires of a violent attack on U. S. policy in Petropolis by the newspaper critics, once a friend of the United States but now a strong supporter of the government of President Juan D. Peron.

Soldiers Say Italian Post Better
LEGHORN, Aug. 29 (UP)—A number of enlisted men and officers at Mediterranean command headquarters today said that "general conditions" had improved noticeably since the controversy arose over the administration of Lieut. Gen. John C. H. Lee.

They said the changes had occurred coincident with the criticisms voiced by Robert C. Ruark, American columnist, and the U. S. Army investigation of the command.

Soldiers also reportedly had seen General Lee driving his own jeep much more frequently lately, instead of riding in his limousine.

Science Has Everyday Use For Atom Power

LOS ALAMOS, N. M., Aug. 29 (UP)—The government's atomic laboratory here today reported a "valuable" new development in the search for a way to use atomic energy for everyday power purposes.

Dr. Norris E. Bradbury, laboratory director, announced the successful operation for the first time of a chain reacting plant—or "pile"—that uses the high energy neutrons of the man-made element, plutonium.

"The new unit in a sense is a controlled version of atomic bomb itself," the announcement said.

"It is unique in two respects: it is the first to employ the fission of the man-made element, plutonium, instead of the normal uranium, and it is the first to use fast neutrons. Other chain reactors at the atomic energy commission installations utilize slow neutrons."

Bradbury said the new fast reactor was "expected to speed and broaden atomic energy research and is viewed by scientists as a valuable guide in the design of future experimental reactors for power."

Hereafter the only use of fast neutrons has been in the uncontrolled chain reactions of atomic bomb explosions. In previous controlled reactors, it was explained, neutrons have been slowed down by use of cooling agents such as water or graphite, which are mixed with the nuclear fuel.

The Los Alamos reactor uses no diluting material and "thus shares with the bomb the property of using the neutrons from fission almost as soon as they are emitted," the announcement said.

Operators of the fast reactor can set the release of energy at any rate desired and keep it constant. It has been operated successfully at low power since November, 1946.

Bradbury explained that the new reactor gave physicists a more intense source of fast neutrons than heretofore obtainable except in the first atomic bomb test in the New Mexico desert in July, 1945.

Farm Bureau Picnic Is Success As First Meeting Of Its Kind
A full day of barbecue, speeches, fun-making and good weather was enjoyed by one of the largest Calloway County Farm Bureau groups ever to assemble as the bureau staged its first annual picnic at the Murray city park yesterday.

Dr. Ralph H. Woods, president of Murray State College, delivered the principal address shortly after noon. Other speakers appeared briefly throughout the morning and afternoon portions of the program.

A visitor to the meeting was Earle C. Clements, Democratic nominee for governor of Kentucky. Speakers praised the Farm Bureau here for its progress in dealing with farm problems and for its immense growth.

Officials of the organization said the picnic would probably become an annual affair since the membership of the bureau has "grown all available meeting places in Calloway county."

TVA officials, state agriculture representatives, state and county officials and nominees and other visitors were present.

DISCUSS INTER-AMERICAN PROBLEMS
Raul Fernandes (right), Brazil's Foreign Minister, is shown conferring with U. S. Secretary of State George C. Marshall at a session of the Inter-American Conference in Petropolis, Brazil. In center is William Pawley, United States Ambassador to Brazil. (International Radiophoto)



Services Are Today For Mrs. Edwards
Funeral services were arranged for Cooper today afternoon for Mrs. John O. Edwards, 86-year-old former resident of the county, who died at the home of a daughter in Lakeland, Fla.

The services, directed by the Rev. H. F. Paschall, were held at the Hazel Baptist Church. Mrs. Edwards had spent the past 18 years in Florida.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. C. F. Dunn, Lakeland, Mrs. John R. Kennedy, and Miss Elaine Edwards, both of Orlando, Fla.; four sons, Heiman Edwards and Brent Edwards, both of Hazel, T. L. Edwards, Chattanooga, Tenn., and C. S. Edwards, Boston, Mass.; 15 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

Burial will be in the Liberty cemetery at Hazel.

Calloway Homemakers To Hold Annual Meet Sept. 3; Miss Davenport To Speak



Miss Davenport

Pleasant Weather Seen For Weekend

The weatherman predicted today that except for scattered showers the nation should have a "pleasant holiday weekend."

The scorching weather that blistered the nation during August was a end, although temperatures were to rise in the midwest during the weekend.

The prediction of good weather was expected to bring near-capacity crowds to the nation's highways, ball parks and other play areas during the three-day weekend.

Prices Are At New High As Corn Soars
WASHINGTON, Aug. 29 (UP)—Prices soared to a new postwar high today. Prospects were they will go still higher unless someone or something suddenly slams on the brakes.

The Labor Department reported that wholesale commodity prices rose another 0.3 points last week, bringing them to a new high of 153.5 per cent of the basic 1926 average.

At the same time Agriculture Department experts said all hope was gone that the corn crop can meet domestic needs. This, they said, inevitably means less meat and higher prices next spring and summer.

The effect of the corn shortage on prices of other grains which can take the place of corn has already become plain. Wheat for September delivery hit a new all-time high on the Chicago Board of Trade yesterday for the second day in a row.

Despite the rising prices the general public apparently is not cutting down on its buying.

The Commerce Department reported that retail sales continued at about the same level in July as in the preceding three months, allowing for the usual mid-summer decline.

"Distinctive Dress" will be the subject of Miss Iris Davenport, well known lecturer, at the annual meeting of the Calloway County Homemakers Organization Wednesday, September 3, at the Woman's Club house.

One of the outstanding parts of the day's program will be exhibits arranged by county leaders showing the work done during the past year by individual members as well as by the community clubs.

The leaders who will assist with the exhibits are Mrs. Shannon Ellis, citizenship chairman; Mrs. Ollie Brown, publicity; Mrs. Maynard Ragsdale, membership; Mrs. R. L. Cooper, home furnishings; Mrs. Johnnie Walker, 4-H Clubs; Mrs. Ollie Brown, Homemakers Garden Club; and Mrs. J. A. Outland, public rest room. Miss Rachel Rowland, home demonstration agent, also will give a report of her year's work.

Miss Davenport, who is woman's editor of the Southern Agriculturalist, formerly was clothing specialist of the Extension Service in Kentucky, and is a well known lecturer throughout the southern states.

The program will begin at 10:00 a. m. with group singing led by Mrs. Aubrey Farris. Mrs. R. L. Cooper will be the afternoon speaker. Mrs. Emory Hook will give a devotional. Mrs. Maynard Ragsdale, vice president, will preside.

At noon a box lunch will be served.

Out-of-county guests will be Mrs. Charles Moss Arlington, who is Purchase District Director of the Kentucky Federation of Homemakers, and Miss Leone Gillett, Lexington, assistant state leader in home demonstration work.

The Homemakers' Club year opens in September and continues through August. In Calloway county there are nine community clubs with a membership of 240. The clubs are East Side, Faxon, Lynn Grove, New Concord, North Murray, Penny, Pettitown, South Murray and Stella.

Hazel High School Will Open Monday
Hazel High School will begin its fall semester on Monday, September 1, it was announced today. The opening exercises will start at 9 a. m.

The Rev. H. F. Paschall, of the Hazel Baptist Church will deliver the opening address. The invocation will be given by the Rev. A. G. Childers, pastor of the Hazel Methodist Church.

School officials have urged all friends and patrons of the school to be present for the opening day program.

MARKETS At A Glance
Stocks firm in quiet trading. Bonds irregular. U. S. government bonds did not trade. Curb stocks irregularly lower. Chicago stocks irregular. Silver quoted in New York at 69 1/4 cents a fine ounce, off 1/2 cent. Cotton futures irregular. Grains in Chicago: Wheat, corn, oats and barley futures higher.

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FOR SALE—New Perfection kerosene stove, 5-burner, table top. Cheap if sold at once—Bryant McCure between 7th and 8th City Park. S1p

FOR SALE—Trailer. 15x7-2 inside, sleeps 2, more with portable bed, light and strong. Priced reasonable. Parked at 4th and Elm. 1p

FOR SALE—32 acres well improved, 1 1/2 miles south on 16th St. Bargain if sold at once. Will sell 3 acres to build on. Come at once. — R. A. Jones, owner, Route 1, Murray, Ky. S1p

For Rent

FOR RENT—New business house—1900—on Walnut St. near Bus Station. See Jeff Shroat at Shroat's Meat Market. A30c

FOR RENT—5 room unfurnished apartment. Two blocks from college. — John Lampkins, phone 687-M-4. S1p

Mize Attempt To Beat Babe's Mark Outshines Records

NEW YORK, Aug. 29 (UP)—Today, maybe, or surely tomorrow or the next day, the New York Giants will set a new team home run record, but that feat is lost in the individual effort of John Mize to better Babe Ruth's season mark of 60 fourbaggers.

Sentiment is divided as baseball fans watch the big Georgia cloutier creep up on the most famous record of the game's best-loved player. Ruth still is "Mr. Baseball," the most colorful man the game has known. Mize, a steady plodder, is perhaps less colorful than any other player who has achieved such prominence. But Mize can hit, and he has 44 home runs today, with 31 games to play. Sixteen more homers tie the mark. 17 beat it; a pace of one every two games will do it.

The team record is a cinch. When Mize hit no. 44 yesterday to lead the Giants to a 6 to 5 conquest of the Cardinals, it was New York's 180th roundtripper, just two shy of the mark set by the 1906 Yankees. Lou Gehrig led that Yank team with 49. Joe Judge had 29, Bill Dickey 22, George Selkirk 18, Frank Crosetti 15, Tony Lazzeri 14 and Red Rolfe 10. Nine other Yanks contributed to a lesser degree.

Mize has much sturdier help. Willard Marshall has 31, Walker Cooper 28, Bob Thompson 24, Bill Rigney 16, Sid Gordon has nine, and nine other players have chipped in. This all-around team strength helps Mize in his drive for pitchers might just as well pitch to him as the next man—all have a home-run punch.

Babe Ruth himself has commented on Mize's chances frequently, at first denying possibility of a new record, then admitting that Mize's pace—he's now five games ahead of Ruth's speed in 1927—makes it close. But Babe hit 17 in September, once getting five in two games. If Mize keeps up his present rush, though, he won't have to hit them in clusters. He has five for his last six games.

His three-run blow in the first

inning yesterday started the Giants toward the victory which dropped the Cards seven games behind Brooklyn and Big John doubled home another run in the third inning. The Redbirds tried valiantly with home runs by Enos Slaughter, Stan Musial and Whitey Kurowski, but just couldn't make it.

Brooklyn added to its lead by beating the Chicago Cubs, 6 to 2 as Johnny Jorgensen returned to the lineup and drove in four runs with a double and single. He had been benched since a disastrous error which enabled St. Louis to beat Brooklyn in an important game.

Boston's Braves won a doubleheader from Cincinnati, 8 to 7, in 16 innings and 3 to 2 in 5 1/2 innings. Ed Ewart, who allowed only two hits in the 9-2-3 innings he pitched for the Reds, walked Earl Torgeson to open the 16th, and a wild throw by Ray Lamanno on a pickoff try sent Torgeson to third. Two intentional walks filled the bases and an unintentional walk to Tommy Holmes ended the game. Boston bunched four hits three runs in the second inning of the nightcap.

Schoolboy Rowe pitched his first shutout of the season as the Phils whipped Pittsburgh, 7 to 0. Rowe allowed six hits as he got his 13th victory. Harry Walker led the winners with two doubles and a single.

The Boston Red Sox walked Detroit, 13 to 3, with a 22-hit attack that started on Hal Newhouser, who resented it bitterly and ended with a \$250 fine imposed by Manager Steve O'Neill because Newhouser was trying hard and because he refused to give way to a relief pitcher. O'Neill finally came into the mound and took the ball away from the lefty, who had allowed seven hits and five runs in the third inning.

The White Sox needed 12 innings to defeat the Cleveland Indians, 4 to 2, winning on Cass Michaels' double, singles by Mike Tresh and pitcher Joe Haynes, and a long fly. Haynes batted in the winning run in his 10th victory, in which he allowed nine hits.

Yesterday's Star: — Brooklyn's John Jorgensen, who batted in four runs in a 6 to 2 victory over Chicago, which increased the Dodgers lead to seven games.

Margaret Organized

NEW YORK, Aug. 29 (UP)—Margaret Truman has applied for membership in the American Guild of Musical Artists, the union said today.

Today's Sports Parade

By Jack Cuddy
United Press Sports Writer

NEW YORK, Aug. 29 (UP)—On the velvety, apple-green lawn in west side stadium, the best amateur tennis players of the United States and Australia will begin three-day competition tomorrow for the historic Davis Cup, which the Americans are defending.

Since tennis followers form more closely perhaps than does any other competitive sport, the U. S. team was an overwhelming favorite today to retain the big silver mug against the Aussies' challenge.

Some of our ultra-enthusiasts expected another American 5 to 0 sweep of the four singles and one doubles matches. This would duplicate the U. S. performance last December, when the star-spangled racqueters invaded Australia and recaptured the cup at Melbourne with five straight victories.

More conservative addicts of the lob-and-love sport expected no sweep, although they were supremely confident of winning the necessary three matches for victory.

This confidence was bolstered mightily yesterday when Big Jack Kramer of Montebello, Calif., our national champion and world champion, disclosed on the west side's courts in Forest Hills that he is at peak form, despite his vacation from singles play during the eastern tourneys.

After winning the "world title" at Wimbledon, Eng., last June 23, Kramer contented himself with doubles competition in Southampton, Orange, and Newport, and, of course, at Longwood, where he and Ted Schroeder of Glendale, Calif., won the national doubles title last week.

Kramer avoided the grueling singles competition in order to pre-empt going stale. He did practice some however. And in practice matches yesterday against

Schroeder, our second-ranking player, and against Frank Parker, our third, Big Jack was superb. He over-powered both mates with service, drive and volley. Never before had Kramer displayed such power and accuracy.

Because Kramer is in peak form, even the most ardent Australian admirers concede that he is practically certain to win his two singles matches against Dinny Pails, the new Australian champ, and John Bromwich, veteran of cup play. That's a big handicap to hold over the Aussies before play begins—the nearly certain loss of two matches.

Schroeder's singles contests with Pails and Bromwich are regarded as toss-ups.

In addition, a close fight is expected in the lone doubles match on Sunday, when Kramer and Schroeder will meet Bromwich and Colin Long. The Aussie tandem appeared off form at Longwood last week, but Bromwich and Long have been practicing ardently since then. Their game appeared much improved during this week's workouts at Forest Hills.

Until last December, the Davis Cup had remained in Australia—out of competition—since 1939, because of the war. The Aussies won it from the United States in '39 at Germantown, Pa., after Bromwich and Adrian Quist had lost their singles matches to the U. S. on opening day.

Mr. and Mrs. William Osborn and son, Billy Kent, have returned from Miami, Fla., where they visited their sister, Mrs. Frank Dalton and family. They were accompanied by Mr. H. C. Paschall and Pylis Paschall, Puryear, Tenn. They also visited Mr. Osborn's aunt, Mrs. Eula Johnson, Orlando, Fla.

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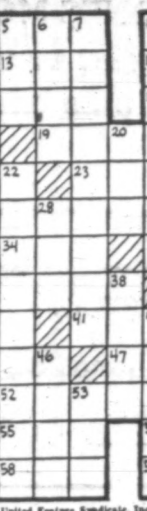
Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1—Ground-up corn
- 2—Scheme
- 3—Male swans
- 4—Not wanting
- 5—"Honest"
- 6—Indian name
- 7—Large food fish
- 8—Contested
- 9—Bridled
- 10—Turkish officer
- 11—Hill
- 12—Valine
- 13—Sink
- 14—Thoroughly soaked
- 15—Grows old

DOWN

- 1—Black liquid
- 2—Knowledge
- 3—Fruitful
- 4—Skin growth
- 5—Atmosphere
- 6—"The sun"
- 7—Grows fat
- 8—Laid out
- 9—Cost of loss
- 10—Dried
- 11—Beverage
- 12—Silt
- 13—Prophet
- 14—Deduce
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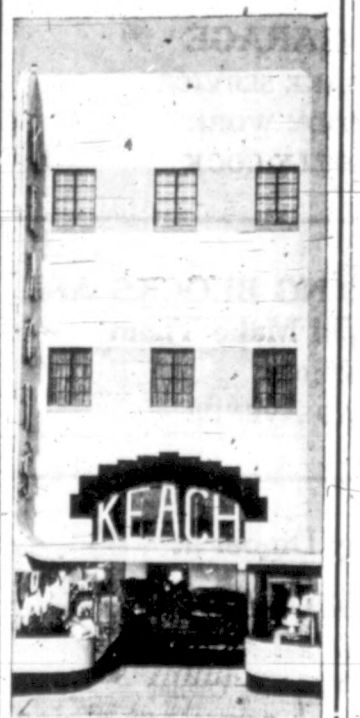
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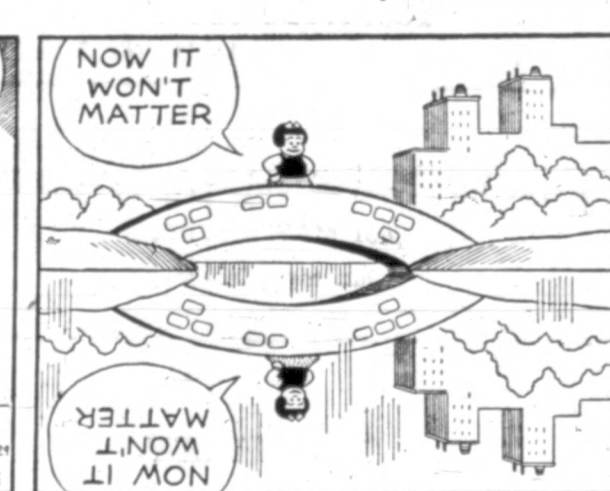


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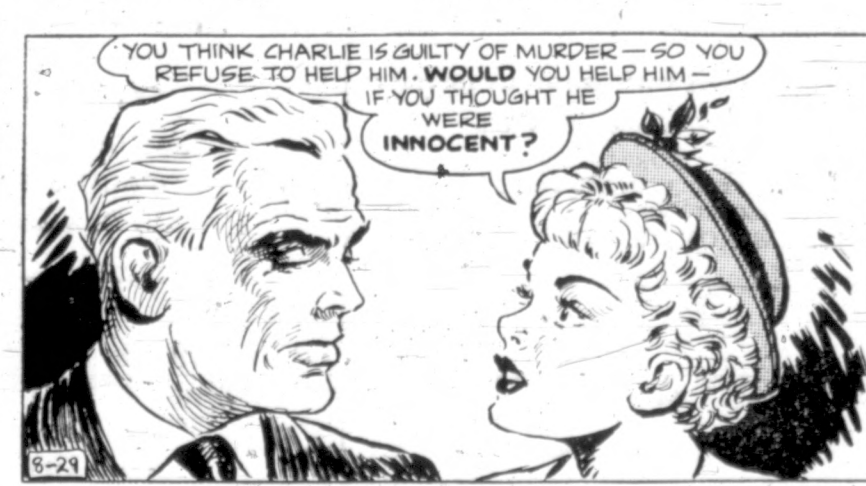
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