BALLOON FROM U.S. LANDS IN PALMYRA

Aeronauts Reported To Be U. S. Army Officers in Flight From St. Louis, Mo.

DID NOT GIVE NAMES

Packed Up Their Aircraft and Went To Detroit by Train.

Special to The Advertiser.

Ridgetown, April 13.—A certain amount of mystery surrounds the landing of a large balloon at Palmyra, about eight miles from here, on Saturday afternoon. Two men, reported to be U. S. army officers, were in the aircraft, and after landing successfully they packed up the big bag which they had hauled to town, and they left on the mail train in the evening for Detroit.

The balloon was first sighted coming from the southwest and was flying low. Evidently the navigators feared that they might come down in Lake Erie if they continued their flight, so they came to earth close to Palmyra. The men were not very communicative and their names were not secured. The opinion has been expressed here that they were in an elimination contest for the James Gordon Bennett Cup. It is reported that they said they left St. Louis, Mo., on Friday morning at 6 o'clock.

MAKING TEST FLIGHTS.

Associated Press Despatch.

St. Louis, April 13.—Dr. C. L. Meisener of the United States weather bureau, and Lieut. Lawson of Scott Flying Field, Belleville, Ill., are at present engaged in making a series of test flights to determine air pressure at various altitudes. It is thought possible that these men were the aeronauts reported as having landed near Ridgetown, Ontario, on Saturday.

BILL IS PASSED TO RESTRICT JAP

New U. S. Measure Will Practically Bar Japanese From Country.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, April 13.—Carrying a Japanese exclusion provision against which the Japanese government has protested vigorously, the Johnson immigration bill was passed yesterday by the House 322 to 71.

No effort was made to eliminate the Japanese section, which provoked only brief and perfunctory discussion. There was nothing to indicate that any of the opposition votes were directed at the Asiatic policy contained in the bill, but rather against the provision fixing the 1890 census as the basis of the two per cent quota, which was adopted.

While the Senate was getting back to its consideration of the immigration question at a night session, Republican leaders issued a call for a party conference next Monday, at which an effort will be made to agree upon a policy both as to Japanese exclusion and the census quota basis.

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Parachute Fails Airman Injured

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Detroit, April 13.—Climbing to a height of 22,200 feet in an army plane, Sergeant Dewey Webb, equipped with two parachutes, stepped off into space at 6 o'clock last evening in an attempt to establish a new world's record.

His first parachute became fouled in the "take-off," and after dropping 700 feet he succeeded in engaging the second one in time to check his fall. He travelled the four and a half miles to earth in less than 20 minutes, landing near Brooklands Golf Club. His hip was injured and he was unconscious when picked up. He will recover, hospital authorities say.

WATER PERMIT IS AGAIN DENIED

Secretary of War Weeks Refuses To Alter Former Decision.

Associated Press Despatch.

Washington, April 13.—A delegation headed by Senator McKinley was informed by Secretary of War Weeks yesterday that he would not alter his decision against making any change in the volume of water withdrawn by the city of Chicago from Lake Michigan, pending a decision by the U. S. supreme court upon an appeal in that case.

The delegation appeared before the secretary to request his approval of the Madden bill, which would allow Chicago to withdraw from the lake for sanitary purposes 10,000 cubic feet of water a second.

Secretary Weeks said the law at the present time allowed a withdrawal of only 4,170 cubic feet a second, and almost twice that amount was being withdrawn by the city. He reiterated his determination, however, not to order any change in the volume of water until after the supreme court has handed down its decision, expected late next fall. Arguments in the case have been set for September.

NEW DEPARTMENT PLACES SETTLERS

Land Settlement Branch Finds Demand For Farm Help Exceeds Supply.

Canadian Press Despatch.

Ottawa, April 13.—A new factor in the solution of the farm employment problem this year will be the land settlement branch recently formed by the department of immigration to assist in placing intending farmers in Canada. The branch will make a survey of farm labor requirements and seek to meet these by placing immigrants, as well as directing the settlement of immigrants who wish to take up their own farms on arrival.

A field of officers of the branch will seek to place to the best advantage all immigrant farm laborers, and an immediate result of initial surveys by the branch is that it has more applications from Canadian farmers for laborers than it is able at present to supply.

LEAVES TO CONDUCT HOME BANK QUERIES

Hon. H. A. McKeown Appointed Sole Commissioner by Government.

Canadian Press Despatch.

St. John, N.B., April 13.—Hon. H. A. McKeown, chief justice of the king's bench division of the supreme court of New Brunswick, left today for Ottawa to conduct the Home Bank investigation, in which he has been appointed sole commissioner by the Dominion government.

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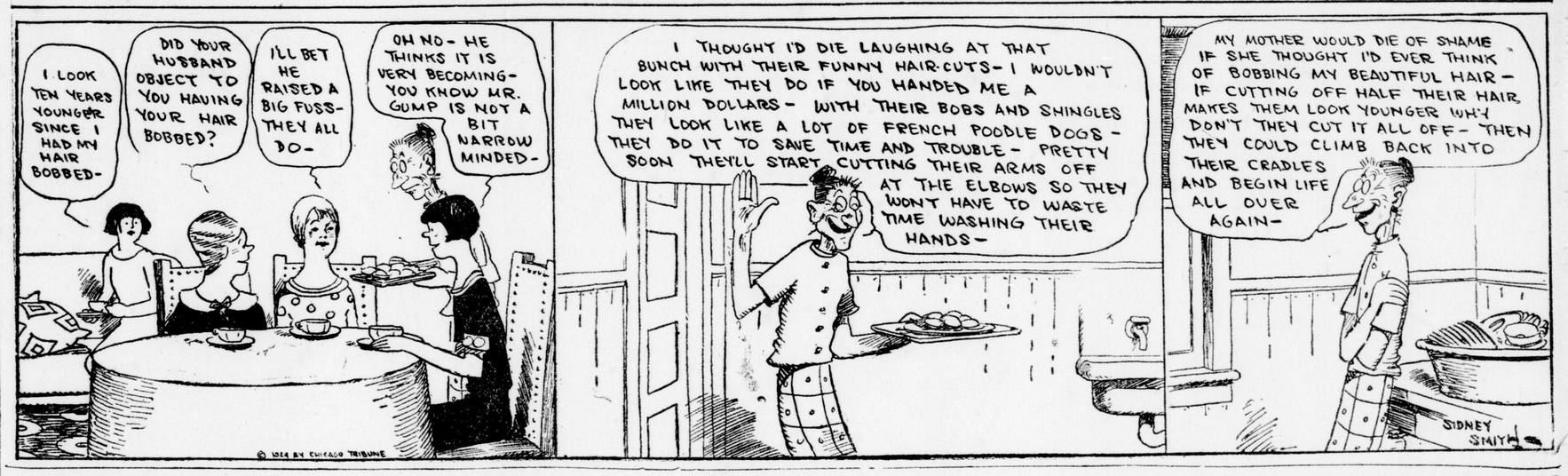

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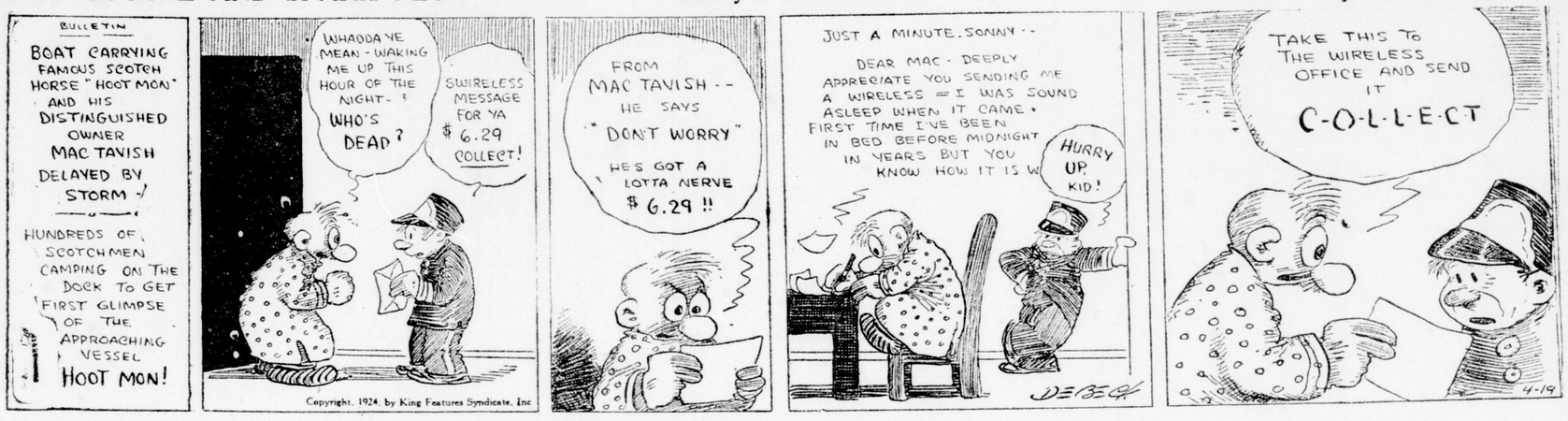

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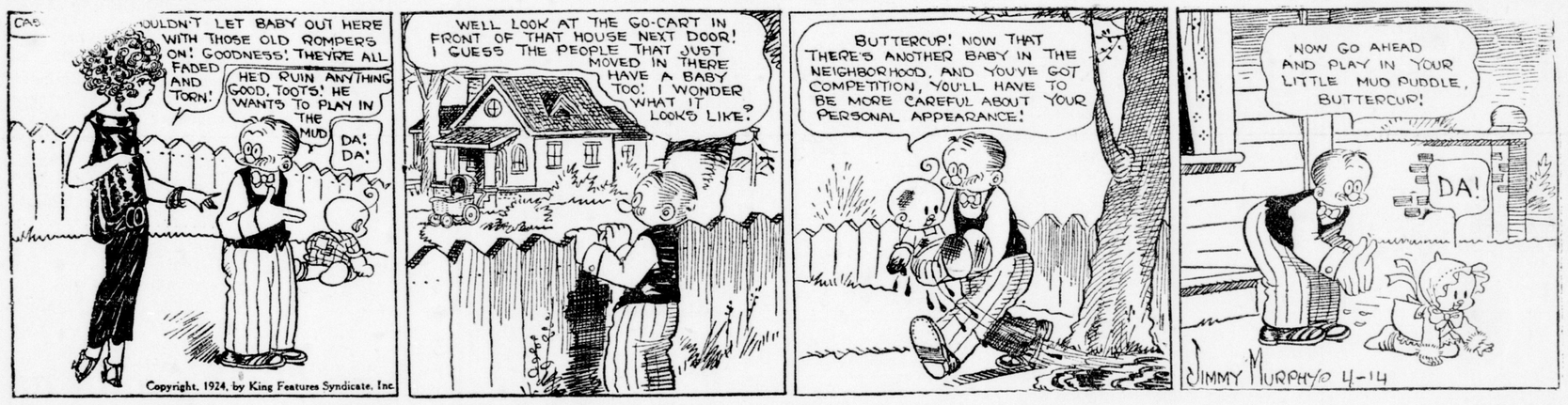

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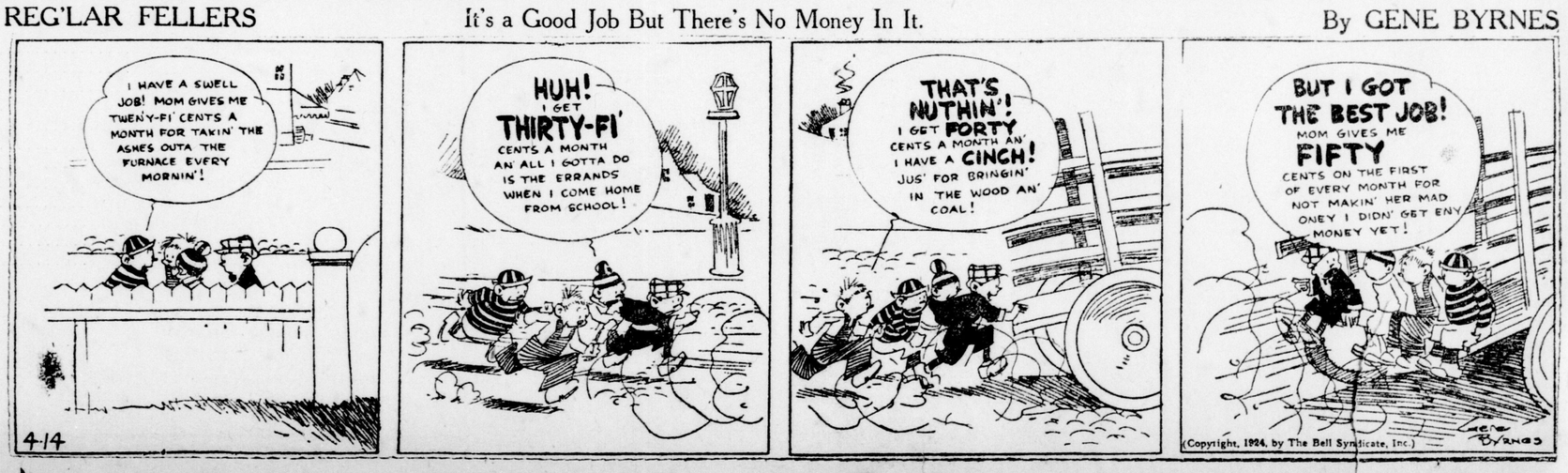
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