

**Yanks Still Held In Shanghai Refused Contact Privileges**

Hong Kong — (U.P.)—Eight Americans believed held in a Shanghai prison have not been permitted to contact the British counsel there for help in getting out of Red China, according to qualified sources in contact with Shanghai.

"The imprisoned Americans have not contacted the British diplomatic representative in Shanghai as yet," the sources said.

**No Information**  
"There is no information about them at all. It is not known whether any of them have tried to contact British Charge D'Affaires Con O'Neill in Peiping. As far as is known they have not been able to contact anyone."

The Chinese Communists agreed at Geneva that the British could act in behalf of Americans in Red China while India would act in the same capacity for Chinese living in the United States who wanted to return to the Communist mainland.

**Eight Identified**  
The eight Americans are understood to be in Shanghai prisons. They are identified as:

Rev. John William Clifford, San Francisco; Rev. John Alex Houle, San Francisco; Rev. Charles Joseph McCarthy, San Francisco; Rev. Joseph Patrick McCormack, Ossining, N.Y.; Rev. Thomas Leonard Phillips, San Francisco; Rev. Armand Proulx,

**Hal March Enjoys Role As Announcer on \$64,000 Question But Longs for Acting**

By WILLIAM EWALD  
United Press Correspondent  
New York—(U.P.)—Hal March, who found a goldmine of his own on "The \$64,000 Question," looked back at the first 18 weeks of the giveaway show today and made the following points:

1. "My racket is acting. I thoroughly enjoy doing 'The \$64,000 Question' but it's the only exposure I ever want on a quiz show. I don't want to be a quizmaster the rest of my life."

2. "I'm a bad quizmaster. I get too emotionally involved with the show."

3. "About the only categories on the show I might qualify for myself are spelling and jazz. I could have gone to \$16,000 with Gloria Lockerman."

March currently the most widely seen personality on television (he's viewed by some 50,000,000 persons each week), is an alumnus of the mills of show biz.

**Banana In Burlesque**  
The 33-year-old San Franciscan has worked as a banana in burlesque and in cheap night clubs. He has acted in soap opera, the movies and such radio epics as Sam Spade. He had one stint as an announcer and disk jockey. And he has worked as a comic on the shows of Imogene Coca, Burns and Allen, Jack

Lawrence, Mass.; Rev. John Paul Wagner, Chicago, and Hugh R. Redmond, South Floral Lane, Yonkers, N.Y.  
Redmond, a businessman, was sentenced in Sept., 1954 to life imprisonment for espionage.

Benny, Bob Hope, Marie Wilson and Eddie Cantor.

But until this summer when the giant CBS quiz show installed him as emcee, he had never really hit it big.

"Funny thing," said March, "I didn't want to take the show when it was first offered to me—I thought of myself as an actor and still do. But there's no doubt that the show has been beneficial to me. It's great, really great."

"I think the best thing about the show is that I can stay myself. I don't have to be a shouting quizmaster. I underplay. I don't need any. If something is exciting on the show, I get excited because I'm involved up to my navel."

The trouble was, March explained, that getting involved had its worrisome features. He singled out the inadvertent help he had recently given a contestant, baseball expert Paddy Keough, by letting part of the answer slip out.

"I was up there rooting for him," said March. "I made the fluff in my anxiety to pull the answer out of him. A good quizmaster wouldn't make that kind of mistake."

March characterized Keough as "perhaps the greatest expert in his field of anyone we've had on the show."

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**Timber Hearings Will Check On Report Uncle Sam Not Getting Money's Worth**

By A. ROBERT SMITH  
Mail Tribune Correspondent

Washington — Two congressional committees that have planned a series of timber investigative hearings in the Pacific Northwest next month are intent on checking into a government report that Uncle Sam isn't getting his money's worth from federal forestlands in the region.

While the hearings will spotlight local problems of the moment where the hearings are held, from O&C marketing restrictions in western Oregon to what the Indians are getting for their timber at Quinalua reservation on the Olympic peninsula, the basis for the probe will be a 1953 investigative report of the U.S. General Accounting Office.

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was that it gave timber buyers unwarranted allowances on the sale price of timber to compensate them for building their own access roads. It said GAO accountants had found the allowances had run about 18 per cent over the actual cost of the roads. Projecting this over the period from 1951 to 1960, the report estimated the loss to the government would be nearly \$20,000,000.

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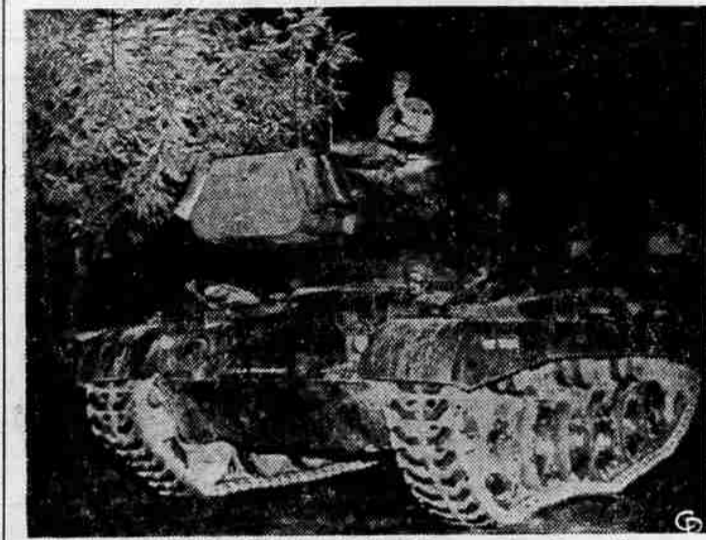
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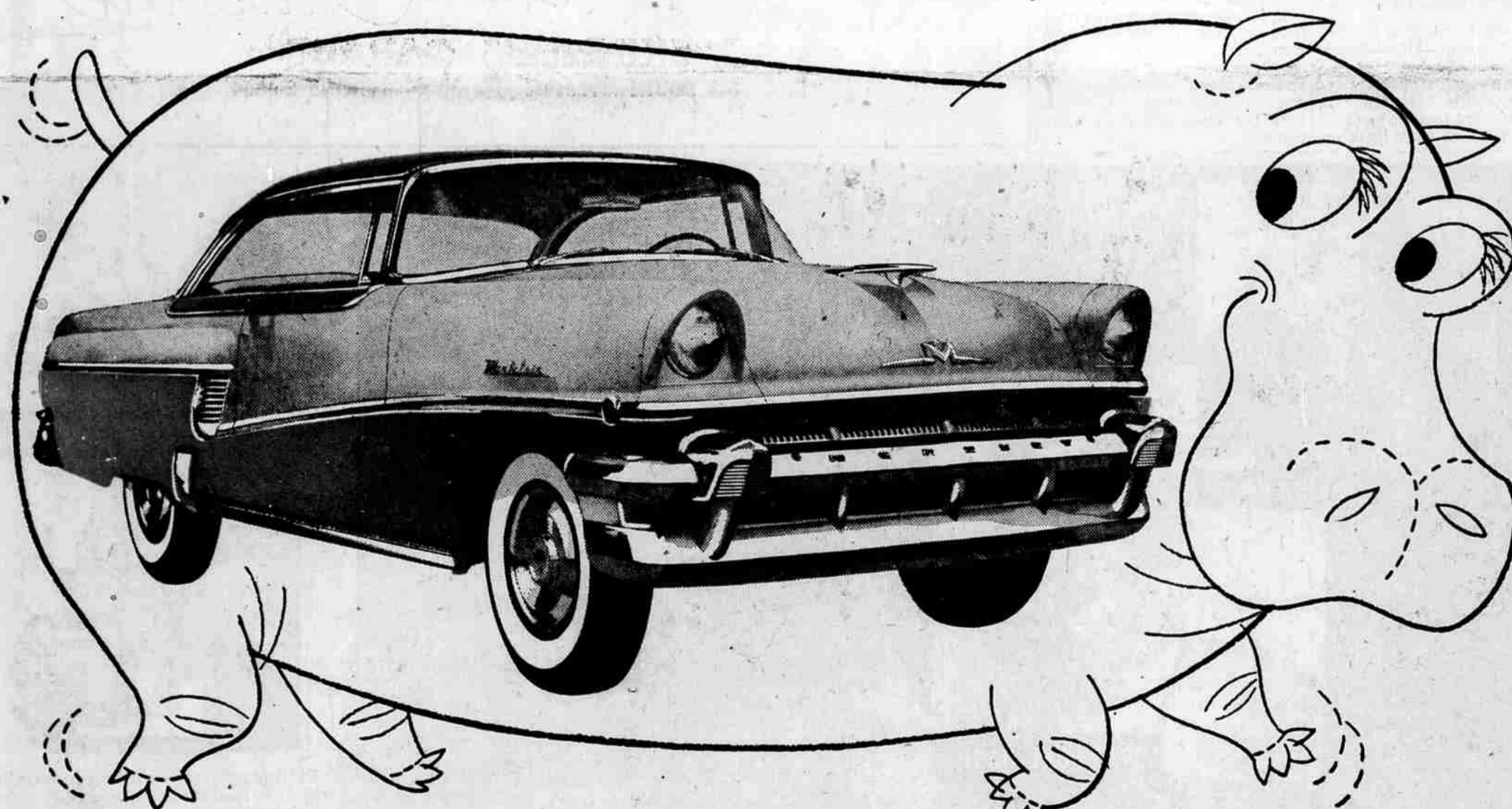
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