



WHO'S NEWS THIS WEEK

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NEW YORK.—President Getulio Vargas of Brazil was a far-western frontiersman in his youth, still wearing "bombachos," or gaucho trousers, for informal dress, and quite in character pumping a six-gun at the palace, and putting down a Graustarkian revolt.

A swarthy, stocky little man, quick on the draw, he has never been gun-shy, and impromptu shooting has been an occasional obligato in his rise to supreme power.

When he established his totalitarian state on November 10 of last year, there were those who said he was dealing in the dark of the moon with the green shirts—that here was where Germany and fascism got a toe-hold on this continent.

The green shirt revolt and its vigorous suppression by Sr. Vargas seems to be an answer to that, even if he had not previously made it clear that his authoritarian state was not of the European model.

Brazil has a complex racial make-up which provides no proscribed group or racial myth, the first requirement in fascist technique, and furthermore, when it comes to strong-arm government, all South American countries have plenty of home talent and indigenous skill.

Sr. Vargas recruited his political following as a liberal. He denounced monopoly and promised the overthrow of the "coffee plantation kings."

He seized power in 1930 by the overthrow of President Washington Luiz, with the aid of his lifetime friend, old General Aurelio Monteiro. Luiz had won the election against him, but Vargas raised a cry of fraud.

From the first he ruled partially by decree, now entirely, since the adoption of the constitution of November 10. His reorganization of the country followed established dictatorial practice in the formation of labor "syndicates," the fixing of maximum and minimum wages, and the denial of all rights of free press and free assemblage.

Denies All Rights of Free Speech He is a famous orator, speaking a fluent and flowery Portuguese, using the radio a great deal in national appeals. He is credited with just about the shrewdest political intelligence in South America. In his prairie town, he attended a private college, later enrolled in a military college, but was diverted to the law.

His rise through minor offices to the national congress parallels the standard career chart of our congressional record biographies—district attorney, state legislature and all the rest of it.

THE make-believe war in which the eastern seaboard was defended against "black" expeditionary forces from overseas was the first large-scale work-out of our "flying fortresses" under a unified command. Major General Frank M. Andrews, running the show, is one of the few flying generals.

He gathered up the strands of the unified service when the GHQ air force, which he commands, moved into the huge air base at Langley field, March 1, 1935.

Called the "handsomest man in the service," he is quietly effective and the last man in the world to be called a swivel-chair officer. He warns the country against a shortage of fliers and urges civilian training. He was not an A. E. F. flier.

In 1934 he made the unusual jump from lieutenant-colonel to brigadier-general and was made a major-general in 1935. He was graduated from West Point in 1905 and was with the cavalry on the Mexican border, before he found his wings.

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The Mayflower Party

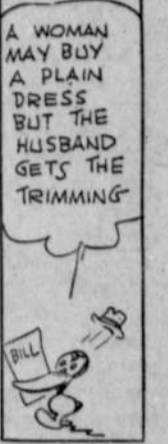
The Mayflower brought 41 men and their families—102 in all. The Speedwell, which set out with the Mayflower, proved unseaworthy and turned back. The Mayflower was followed the next year by the Fortune of 55 tons, which arrived at Plymouth in November, 1621, with some 30 additional emigrants. In 1623 the Ann and the James of 140 and 44 tons, respectively, arrived with 60 more members for the colony. The passengers in these vessels completed the list of those who are usually called first-comers.

THE SUNNY SIDE OF LIFE

Clean Comics That Will Amuse Both Old and Young

THE FEATHERHEADS

By Osborne



S'MATTER POP— Wise Guy, Huh?

By C. M. PAYNE



MESCAL IKE

By S. L. HUNTLEY

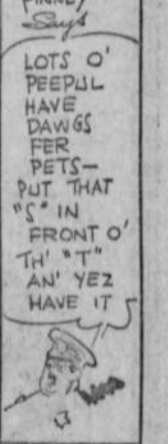
Bringing the Mountain to Mohammed



FINNEY OF THE FORCE

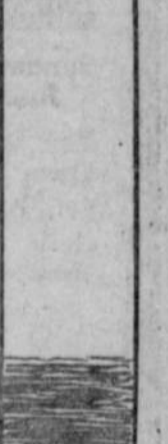
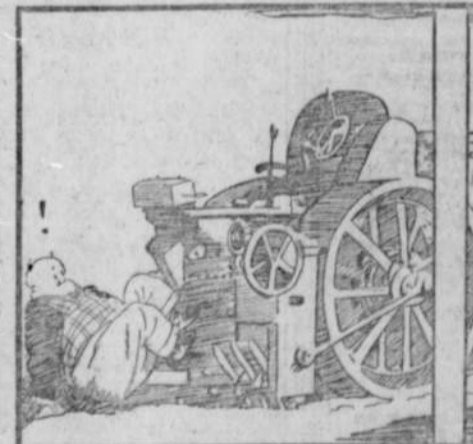
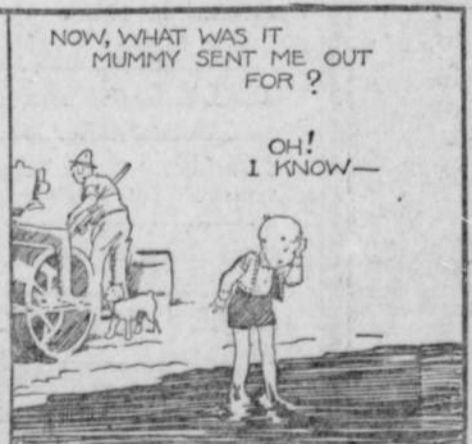
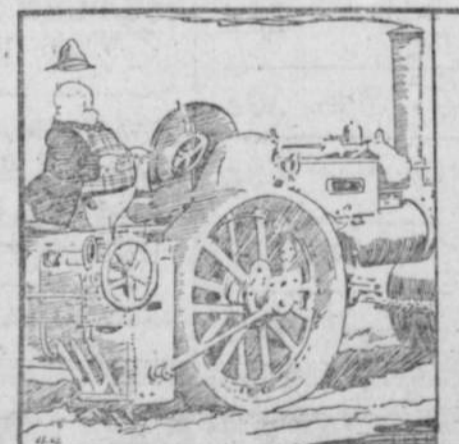
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POP— A Suggestion

By J. MILLAR WATT



THE CLOWN

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



JUNE BUGG

Mrs. Tellit—Cousin Dorothy, you know, always wanted to have a little baby daughter so she could name her June.

Willing

He had just stolen a hurried kiss. "Don't you know any better than that?" she demanded indignantly.

REALLY MEAN

Stranger—Can you tell me the mean temperature of this place? Native—Sure; it's so mean that in the winter the women use ice cakes as fuel for their cook stoves and in the summer it is so hot the drug stores get rich selling boiling water for cooling drinks.—Pathfinder Magazine.

Advertisement for Pepsodent tooth powder and tooth paste, featuring a woman's face and the text 'You Said it—It's Swell! This Pepsodent with IRIUM'.