



**MEAT BEGINS TO FLOOD MARKETS . . .** Interior view of meat packing plant in New York City a scant few days following expiration of the office of price administration—showing meat on the hook and plentiful. In meat centers such as Chicago, Kansas City and Los Angeles the supply was even more plentiful. Whether it was a rush by farmers to get cattle to market before enactment of new OPA or because of, at least, temporary end of black market, the reason is not entirely clear. Higher prices was a factor.



**U.S. CAVALRY PARADES IN TOKYO . . .** The U.S. 1st cavalry division is shown parading down one of the main streets of Tokyo during celebration held in the Japanese capital. Lt. Gen. Robert Eichelberger, commanding officer of the 8th army and Maj. Gen. William Chase, commanding officer of the crack cavalry unit, reviewed the display of U.S. might from a stand in front of the Imperial hotel in Tokyo. Many GI's watched from the sidewalks.



**THE WINNER AND HIS CANDIDATE . . .** Former governor of Minnesota, Harold Stassen, and Mrs. Stassen are shown as they voted at St. Paul in Minnesota Republican primary election. Insert shows Edward J. Thye, Republican governor of Minnesota and political protégé of Stassen, who defeated Senator Henrik Shipstead. Stassen fought Shipstead on his record of having voted against the U. N.



**TOKYO GANGSTER LAID TO REST . . .** Tokyo had its first gangster funeral since the occupation, when Matsuda, the "Boss of Shimbashi" district, was sent off to his ancestors in the true gangster fashion, "a-la-Chicago." The streets were banked with flowers as the two-hour memorial service began with the chanting of the priests and the beating of tom-toms by his "boys." Photo shows Matsuda's ashes being carried in the procession through streets of Shimbashi.



**CLOUD OVER BIKINI . . .** The atom bomb as it exploded over the "guinea pig" fleet moored in the lagoon at Bikini. The photographer was in a B-29 flying at a safe distance and altitude from the atom bomb explosion on the atolls.



**VET DANCES WITH PLASTIC LEGS . . .** Jerry Singer, Hollywood film dancer, who lost a leg at Okinawa, is dancing again these days, despite artificial leg. He is shown going through a dance for film, "If I'm lucky."



**T**HE ash-swinging mix-up in the American League among such riflemen as Ted Williams, Hank Greenberg, Charlie Keller and Joe DiMaggio has been more hectic than it at first looked to be. Ted Williams, the Red Sox blaster, was the man to beat back in mid-April, and he is still the one to beat through the long August and September march ahead.



**Ted Williams** Only Wakefield has fallen behind schedule among the big hitters. The others have picked up just about where they left off and the scramble still will be keen along most of the remaining route. There is little chance now that anyone will come close to overtaking Babe Ruth's high mark of 60 homers, or the two big years that Jimmy Foxx and Hank Greenberg had in the past — but it will take around 45 homers to lead the two circuits, and the four present leaders all have a shot at this target.

While Joe DiMaggio's general average has been well below other years — his lifetime mark is around .337 — the Yankee outfielder hasn't lost his grip on the home-run bat. His long-distance range remains. It has remained for Charlie Keller to improve in both departments — the Maryland Mauler has moved into his biggest season and so far he shows no signs of slipping back.

While Yankee hitting generally has been below the expected average up to this July date, its home-run count has been healthy enough. In the way of long distance blows, Keller, DiMaggio, Henrich, Gordon, Lindell and others have managed to hold their own or do just a shade better. The American League still has the margin in power.

**In the National**

Johnny Mize of the Giants is still the top home-run hitter in the older circuit. National League supporters will tell you that National League hitters have to face smarter and better pitching. This may be true but we doubt it. We can't quite visualize better National League pitching than Feller, Newhouser, Chandler, Hughson, Ferriss and a few more have been offering.

For the past 25 years the American League has adopted the old Babe Ruth slogan — not to "hit 'em where they ain't" but to hit 'em where they can't get at 'em. In the way of a home run market, it is almost a certainty that the American will have the four top men.

Baseball again has proved, as boxing proved in the case of Joe Louis, that the punch is the last thing to leave the athlete's system. Hank Greenberg certainly has proved it to a marked degree. Hank is no elastic cat around first base — the old legs are not what the young legs used to be. They never are. But the Tiger slugger has proved that he can keep on getting his home runs, whatever else may have happened through the enervating process of added years and a long war layoff.

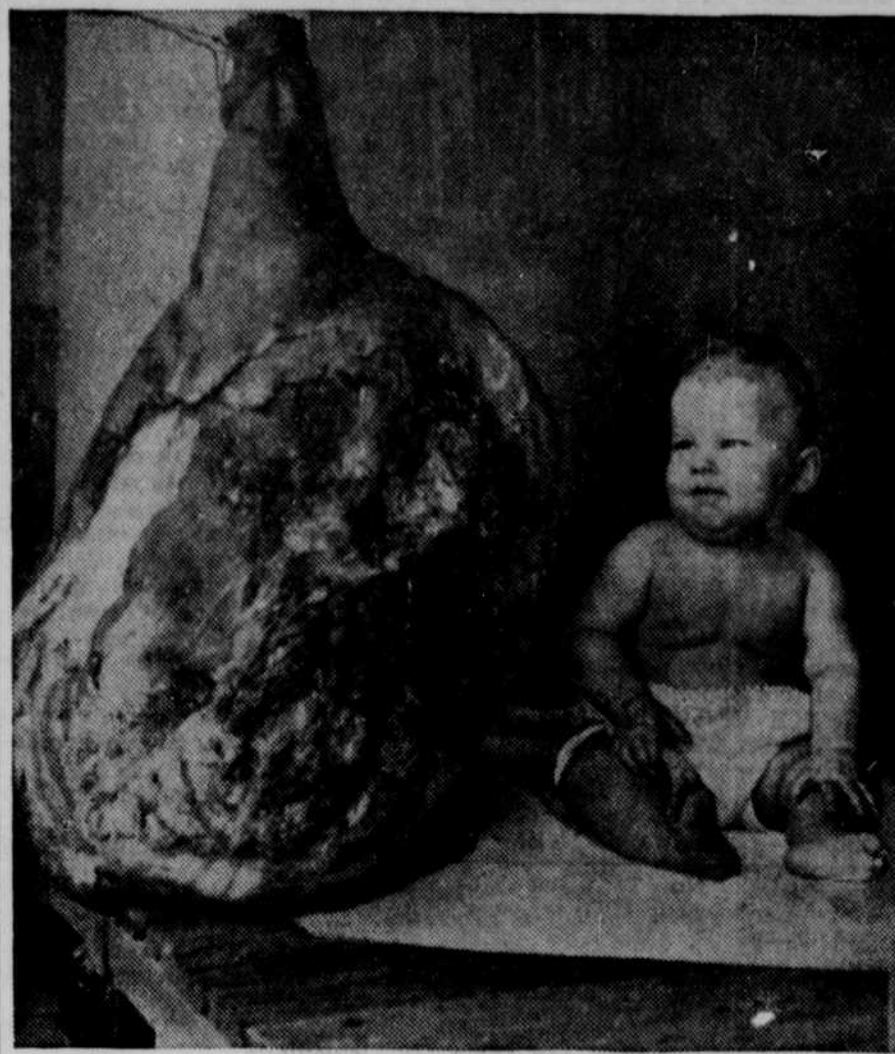
**Your Money's Worth**

From which sport does one get the best return for the money he invests as a spectator? We offered this query to a rather large group of sports-loving fanatics who follow the fortunes of many games. We began to figure out the cost, plus the excitement, the thrill and the satisfaction derived. It broke down something like this:

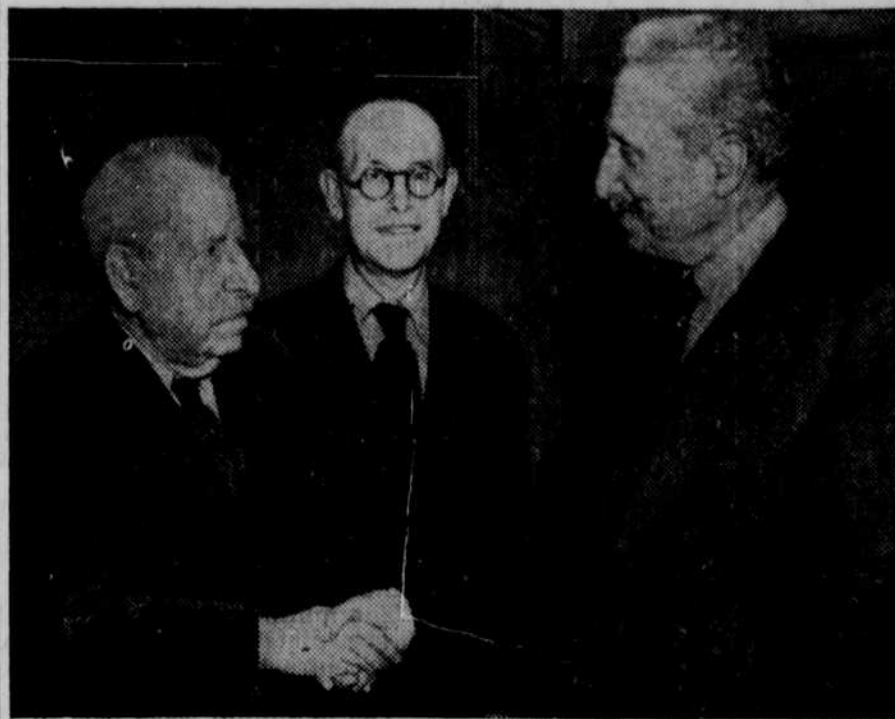
1. For a World Series game, the cost for a reserved seat is \$5.50. The cost of a seat for a series of three games is \$16.50.
2. For an Army-Notre Dame or an Army-Navy football game the top seat cost is \$4.40. The price is no higher for a Michigan - Ohio State or a Pennsylvania - Army contest — for any football contest.
3. For an Open Golf contest the cost is \$2.50.
4. For an International Polo match the cost tag is around \$5.
5. No championship or high-ranking basketball game costs more than \$3 or \$4 for a seat.
6. You can see a national tennis championship match for no more than \$5 if that much.
7. For a day at the Olympic games you could get a good seat for \$3.
8. You can get one of the best seats at the Kentucky Derby, the Preakness or the Belmont for prices that range from \$5 to \$10.

It was here the argument warmed up, all on one side. Then why should a boxing match range from \$16.50 to \$100, when on a general average the contestants involved are far below the average skill of baseball, football and other stars, including golf?

One answer might be that the public is willing to pay. It is, of course, all up to the sporting public. It still can be said that no law exists which forces anyone to pay far more than a show is worth — and the public is the only agent that can handle the situation.



**WHAT DO YOU MEAN NO MEAT . . .** Meat shortage? They evidently never heard of a meat famine down Rocky Mount, N. C. way where porkers part with giant hams like the one above, which tipped the scale at sixty pounds or three times the weight of Sally, who looks at it with disbelief or "something." Rather a large size ham to put in the oven, meat shortage or no meat shortage.



**ITALIAN PRESIDENT GAINING FAVOR . . .** Benedetto Croce, famous philosopher, is shown, left, as he congratulated Enrico de Nicola, who was recently named provisional president of the Italian republic. President De Nicola enjoys enormous personal popularity in Naples, a monarchist stronghold, and his election by the Italian constituent assembly, won some ardent monarchists over to "De Nicola's Republic."



**THE ARMY GOES BACK TO THE HORSE . . .** The horse has come back into his own with the U.S. constabulary forces now on duty patrolling some 1,600 miles of German border along the Czech and Russian frontiers. Here Pvt. Manuel Ward, standing, is inspecting the pass of a civilian from the Ukraine, while Pvt. Gene Robbins sits on his horse. Both GI's are from Troy, Ohio. Maj. Gen. Ernest Harman, who rides a grasshopper plane commands the unit.



**HOWARD HUGHES'S MAMMOTH PLANE WRECKED . . .** Wreckage of Howard Hughes's largest great plane is shown after it had hit telephone wires, crashed into a home and then into Rosemary Decamp's garage, finally hitting another home in Beverly Hills, Calif. Home is shown burning in background. Hughes was only one in plane when it crashed. He was rescued from the fire and rushed to hospital, where it was first reported that he had little chance to survive.



**HONOR CAMP FIRE LEADER . . .** "Edith M. Kempthorne Extension Fund" has recently been established in honor of Edith Kempthorne who has served the cause of Camp Fire since its beginning. Fund will carry on her work.



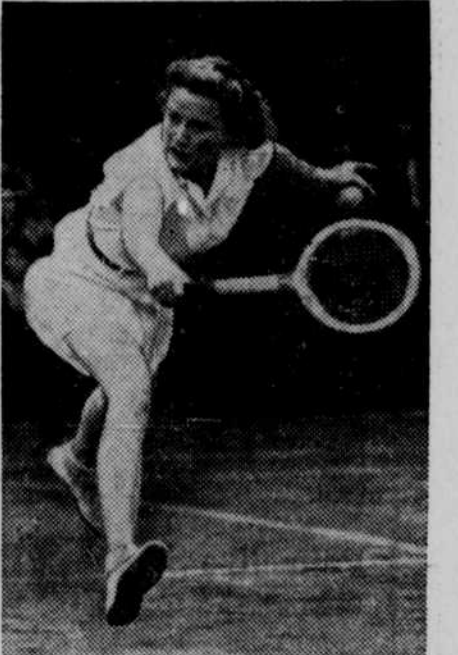
**WAR PROFITS PROBE . . .** Maj. Gen. William U. Porter, retired chief of the chemical warfare service, is shown as he appeared before the Senate Mead committee as it was investigating Rep. A. J. May and war profiteering.



**PAPOOSE-PACKING PAPA . . .** The morning beach stroll and baby-tending chore are easily combined by this papa at Nag's Head, N. C. He took the baby's auto seat out of the car and h'isted it onto his shoulders. The idea was copied from packs brought to America by war brides.



**BELGIUM WILL REMEMBER . . .** An urn holding blood-stained earth from the battle of Bastogne was presented to President Truman at White House by Belgium Ambassador Baron Silvercruys, right, as a gift from Belgium in honor of U. S. GI's.



**NEW TENNIS QUEEN . . .** Pauline Betz, California star, who took the world's women's tennis crown at Wimbledon, England, when she defeated Louise Brough, Beverly Hills, Calif., in straight sets in what was an all-American final.