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Today in Sports

Durocher To Yanks

The "Lippy One" May Take "Marsa" Joe's Place
 (By Chip Royal)

NEW YORK, Sept. 6.—The way baseball fans already are wagging their tongues about this and that player and manager, wondering what's going to happen to them, etc., the fires should be hotter than ever in the old stove league this winter. There are going to be many changes before another baseball season rolls 'round in 1946 and the great American game grabs its share of the anticipated sports boom. It's a pretty good bet that Joe McCarthy will be missing from the New York Yankees the coming season. And don't be surprised if Leo Durocher is "Marsa" Joe's successor.

Larry MacPhail, like everyone else, has been watching and admiring the fine job Leo turned in for Brooklyn this season. There's no doubt that "the Lip" is the manager of the year. Of course, Branch Rickey knows all that too, and he may not want to let Durocher go although he seemed willing to get rid of him before the season started.

It's a funny situation. When Rickey came to Brooklyn, he wondered how he was going to get rid of Durocher, whom he had inherited from MacPhail. Some of the wiser old-timers around the burg warned Branch not to fire Leo because the action might hurt the attendance. Branch figured he'd keep Leo a year and then get rid of him. The right manager wasn't available so the Lippy One was kept on "for the duration." The ferocious gentleman has done so well with a nine that finished seventh in 1944 that he'll have to be retained another year unless some other boss takes him off Rickey's hands.

One of baseball's biggest surprises came when MacPhail named Leo manager. The Dodgers got him in a trade with St. Louis at the end of the 1937 season. When Burleigh Grimes was judged in 1938, Larry didn't know whom to name manager. John McDonald, one of the club's secretaries at the time, suggested Durocher.

The records show Leo went on to win the nod as No. 1 manager of the 1939 season by bringing the Dodgers in third. In 1940, his team finished second, and in 1941 they won the first pennant for Brooklyn since 1920. The Bums also were clicking on all cylinders in 1942 and won more games than any other Flatbush outfit (104), but it was only good enough for second in the league. In 1943, the team was third. Last year, the Durocher-men were a poor seventh. This season practically every baseball writer selected the

SPORTS PROGRAM

Thursday: Junior Softball final — Wartime Housing vs. Knights of Columbus, 6:30 p.m. at Gyro Park.

Friday: Second game of Senior Softball finals—Port Edward vs. Fortress, 6:30 p.m. at Gyro Park.

Sunday: Third game of Senior Softball finals—Port Edward vs. Fortress, 2:30 p.m. at Gyro Park.

Lawn Bowls Singles In Semi-Finals Now

CAMERON TO FINAL

Neil Cameron advanced to the finals of the C.N.R. Bowling Club's singles tournament when he defeated Dave McPhee, 18 to 3, at the club's green last night in the semi-final. If weather permits the final will be held tomorrow night with Mr. Cameron opposing Jack Judge.

A team consisting of A. Finnie, J. S. Irvine and J. A. Frew won a knockout tournament at the C.N.R. Lawn Bowling Club's green Sunday to annex the Benson Trophy. In the singles competition Tuesday, John Bulger advanced to the semi-finals by defeating Neil Cameron, while Jack Judge also gained a berth in the semi-finals by winning over Angus Macdonald.

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "Business is good in our section of the country."

2. What is the correct pronunciation of "suite"?

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Masquerade, massage, massacer.

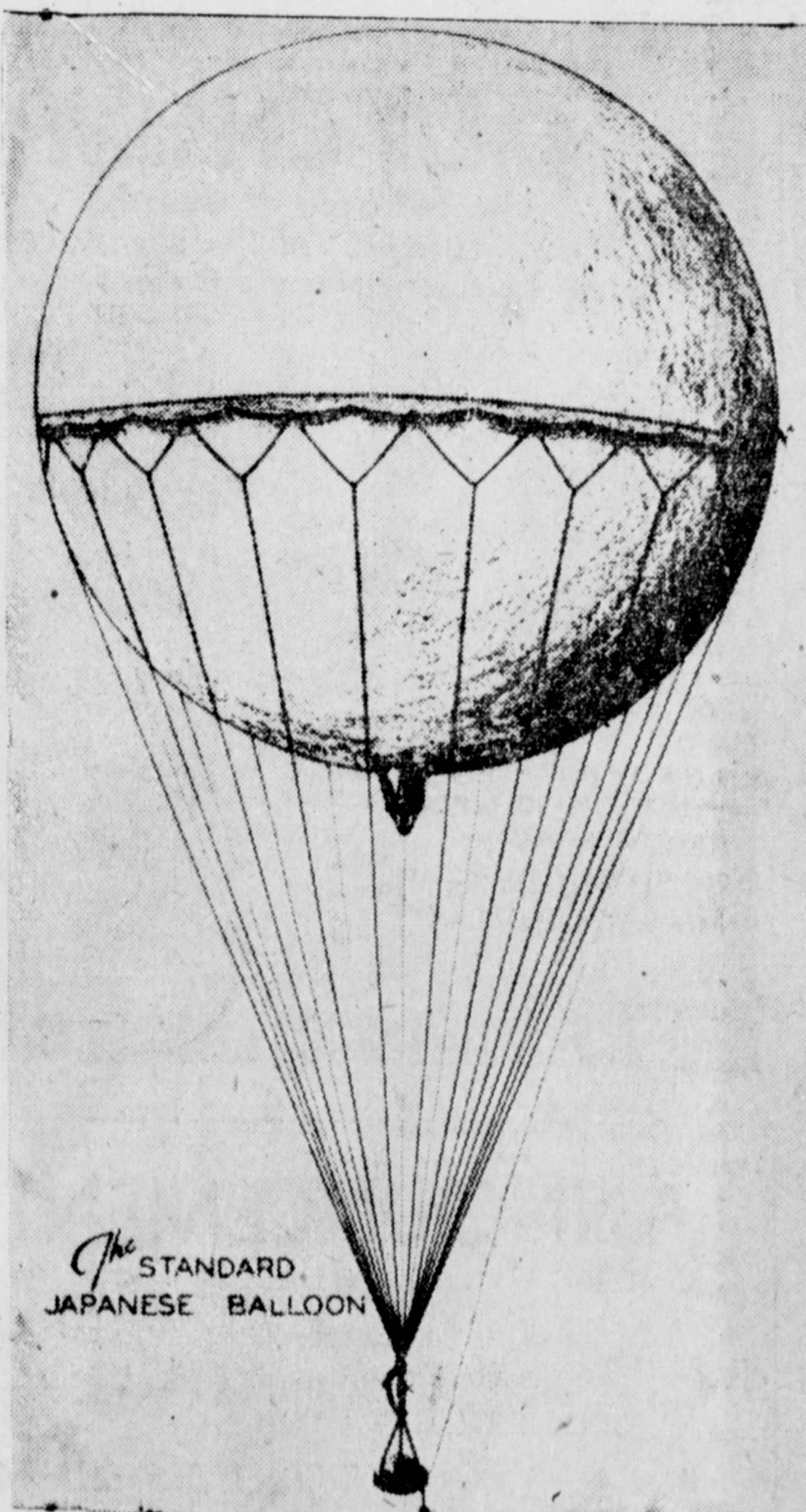
4. What does the word "denouement" mean?

Answers

1. Say, "In our part of the country." 2. Pronounce sweet, and not suit. 3. Massacre, a, not mas. 4. The solving of a plot; outcome or solution. (Pronounce da-noo-mang, first a as in day, oo as in tool, second a as in ah, accent second syllable.) "I was surprised at the unexpected denouement."

Dodgers to wind up in the National League cellar. The team was about the same as 1944. So what happens? The ferocious gentlemen go out and fight for the pennant! MacPhail knows that Durocher has performed miracles with mediocre teams the last few years—has outdrawn all his foes at the gate, including the Yankees, when the size of Ebbets Field compared to the other stadiums is considered. That means only one thing, it seems. Durocher, the shortstop the Yankees traded away because he was too fresh, will be back in the Stadium as manager. What next?

JAP BALLOON CARRIED FIRE THREAT TO CANADA



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BOB HOPE ON SPANISH MAIN

Buccaneering and laughter are blended in "The Princess and the Pirate," technicolor offering starring Bob Hope as a cowering thespian who becomes hilariously involved with a pirate band on his way to the West Indies in 1740. The picture comes to the Capitol Theatre this Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

With Virginia Mayo as his leading lady, Hope is said to give the funniest performance of his career as the boastful actor delights in bloodcurdling threats of what he would do to a pirate if he ever met one. But when a ferocious buccaneer and his band capture the vessel on which he and a runaway princess are voyaging to Jamaica,

the actor's courage rapidly evaporates.

Thenceforward Hope and Virginia find themselves in plenty of hot water. With the aid of a double-crossing pirate they escape and reach a French island, only to be tossed into prison by the rascally governor. Then the pirates arrive and things begin to happen in rousing style, with Hope compelled to impersonate the black-hearted buccaneer before his own crew.

The final rescue of the pair by the royal father after a blistering sea fight leads to the unexpected ending of the sparkling comedy. Walter Slezak, Walter Brennan and Victor McLaglen head the featured cast of the offering.

Octogenarian Dies After Long Ordeal

SOUTHAMPTON, Sept. 6 (P)—Mrs. Alice Kiddle, 82-year old widow, died in hospital after lying alone in her house for nearly a week with her leg caught in the staircase bannister. She had been without food or drink.

Mrs. Kiddle lived alone and neighbors did not hear her cries for help. She suffered only superficial injuries from what apparently was a fall and her death was due to shock.

Basketball Buzz

Booth Memorial High School's boys' basketball team is going to hold its first practice of the season tonight under the direction of Alex Bill, who has had notable success in coaching the Bo-Me-Hi girls' quintet. Under Bill's guidance the High School girls in the past two years have chalked up a record of something like 30 victories in 33 games.

The boys are anxious to open their training campaign in preparation for a game later in the season with the Ketchikan High School. The Alaskans defeated Bo-Me-Hi decisively in 1941 but the next time the teams met—in 1943, the competition was much keener, although Prince Rupert again lost. However, the Booth cagers intend to trounce Ketchikan once and for all this year and are eager to make preparations toward that end.

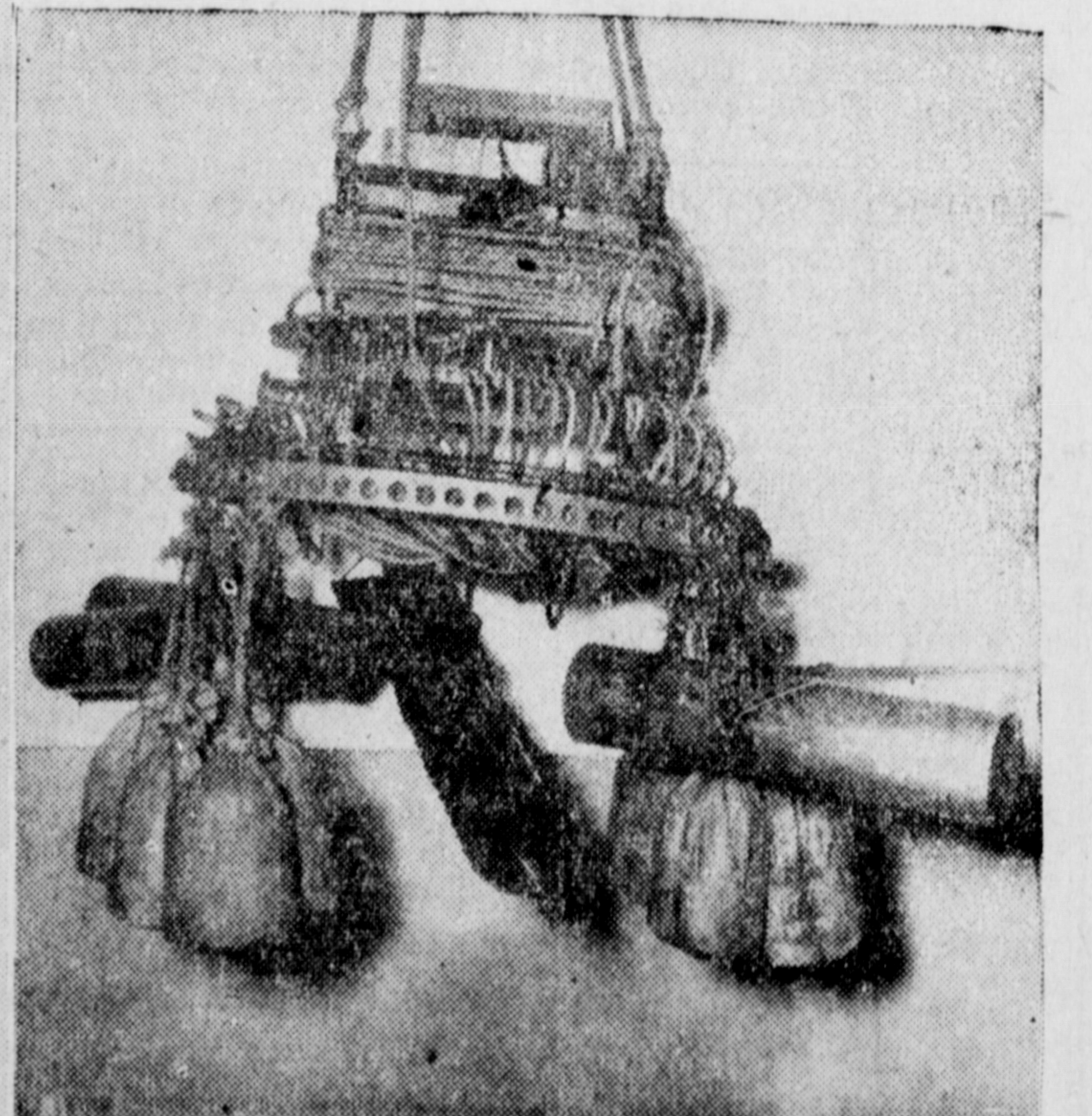
Coach Bill is also going to manage the girls' team this year as usual, and will commence practise soon.

SHORT SPORT

Australia's tennis forces climaxed a thrilling comeback by defeating United States' Davis Cuppers in both final single matches six years ago yesterday winning the international law tennis trophy. After the match the Aussies were ordered home because of the declaration of war by Great Britain the previous day. Harry Hopman and Adrian Quist were members of a Melbourne regiment.

Boston Red Sox of the American League announced purchase of 35-year-old Mike Ryba from Rochester Red Wings of the International League five years ago tonight. Ryba, the league's outstanding right-handed pitcher, became a 20-game winner for the second time in his long career in 1941.

Japanese balloons, carrying high explosive and incendiary bombs, landed in the densely wooded areas of British Columbia and the prairie provinces since early in the year and might have caused widespread fires had the attack occurred in the summer months. In the Bella Bella area south of Prince Rupert a number were found. A drawing (left) of the Jap balloon was made from parts recovered during these attacks. At the right is the "chandelier" which carried the mechanism and bombs. The balloon, constructed of ough paper, 33 feet in diameter and carrying 19,000 cubic feet of hydrogen gas, was designed to operate at a height of nearly five miles and to stay aloft for about one week. On the main balloon were 19 shroud lines, each 45 feet long, connected to the "chandelier." The "chandelier" contained 72 holes with blow-out plugs in all but two holes. The plugs were electrically operated from a battery to release sand-bag ballasts when the balloon ascended too high. The mechanism was arranged to drop the missiles after all the ballast had been released. The whole mechanism was designed to destroy itself when the load was dropped. Here is carries ballast bags, incendiary canisters and a high explosive bomb. (Canadian Army Overseas Photo.)



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