



**RETIREES**—J. Percy Page, who coached the Edmonton Commercial Grads to four world basketball championships, stands beside some of the major trophies his teams won. M. Page, who was 65 May 14, announced his retirement, after 40 years with the Edmonton School Board. He coached the Grads for 25 years. They played 522 games, won 502, and lost more than 125,000 miles, won the world's championship at four Olympic Games and coached Canada's basketball team of the half-century. The team disbanded in 1940. (CP PHOTO)

## Acquire Pitcher in Deal

CINCINNATI (AP)—Cincinnati Reds have traded outfielder Wally Ponder to Philadelphia Phillies for pitcher Bubba Baker. Ponder, a left-hander, has been with Tulsa in the Texas League. He was recalled in order that the deal could be completed. Gabe Paul, general manager of the Cincinnati team, said Baker, 26 years old, won 15 games and lost 11 for the Philadelphia Phillies last season.

## member when?

Hatch, racehorse breeder from Mount, Ont., started three years ago today and has won three of the four places. Hatch's grey colt Aera won the second and Hatch's colt, Savonara, finishing in the mile and eighth.

## Bans Game Imports Tourist Hunters

The Canadian Press reports that game officials in Brunswick and British Columbia—two of Canada's big provinces—foresee a threat to their tourist income in the hoof ban announced May 1 by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. The drop in tourist revenue also is noticed by Ontario. Last year 10,400 non-resident deer and moose licenses were issued, totalling \$375,000. Other provinces regard economic effects of the ban as negligible. The ban, under which sports hunting in Canada this fall is prohibited from taking their trophies into the United States, applies to all cloven-hoofed animals including moose, deer, elk, sheep and antelope. The ban will stay in effect as long as foot and mouth disease continues among Canadian cattle. Hunters mean big money for Brunswick and New Brunswick receives more than \$1,000 annually from non-resident hunters. Officials there said they hoped the ban might be lifted before that Eastern Canada becomes exempt if the foot and mouth disease remained in Saskatchewan. Game Commissioner Frank said the ban could mean a 50 per cent reduction in hunting travel. He said 50 per cent of 2,300 moose checked at Cache Creek last fall

## Former National League Hurler Makes Comeback

By GAYLE TALBOT

NEW YORK.—The Pacific Coast League's determination to keep its best athletes and gradually build itself into major league stature is likely to be put to a severe strain before the current campaign ends if Hal Gregg sustains his present fiery pitching pace with Oakland.

At last report the big right-hander had won eight straight for Manager Mel Ott's team, one of them a seven-inning no-hitter. Representatives of three big league clubs are reported following him already.

Gregg, who was one of the National League's top hurlers in 1945 when he won 18 and lost 13 for Brooklyn, is making a phenomenal comeback after several seasons in the outer darkness. He underwent a delicate back operation last winter which appears to have effected a complete cure of the ills which had threatened to end his baseball career. He will not be 31 until July, so he might easily have five or six fine years left in his system.

Gregg began having arm trouble soon after his 18-game year

with the Dodgers, and Branch Rickey unloaded him on Pittsburgh in 1947 in a multiple-player deal by which Brooklyn acquired such talent as third baseman Billy Cox and pitcher Preacher Roe and the Pirates wound-up with their memories. Gregg could do nothing for the Bucs.

The big, personable fellow dropped from sight until this spring. A friend in Los Angeles told the writer he had played some golf with Gregg since the operation and that Hal was loaded with confidence. Then, one night, we saw him stand New York Giants on their collective heads in an exhibition game in Oakland and promptly made a small wager he would lead the Coast League in wins for the year. He looked that great, loose and fast and sharp of control.

## Darrel Young Heads Softball

Darrel Young was named last night as supervisor of this year's softball league and presided at a well attended meeting of prospective managers and team captains.

Tentative plans for formation of the league were laid at a meeting called for Thursday night when registration form will be distributed.

## Canadian Champ Wins 10-Rounder

BROOKLYN (CP)—Arthur Kie of Toronto, British Empire light-weight boxing champion, scored Monday night by battering out a unanimous decision over favorite Paddy Demaco of Brooklyn in a rough 10-round main event at Eastern Parkway arena.

## Re-Scheduled Baseball Tonight

Abel & Odowes meet Commercial Hotel tonight to play their game scheduled for last Thursday but postponed on account of rain. This will be the second meeting between the two teams. Clothiers won the first game.

Ketchikan All-Stars are scheduled to meet a Rupert all-star cast here next Sunday to start off the age-old rivalry for su-

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## Major League

## Giants Flay Bums in Season's First Duel

National: New York 4, Brooklyn 2  
American: Boston 6, New York 3

NEW YORK (CP)—New York Giants ousted Brooklyn Dodgers from first place in the sizzling National League race Monday night by whipping Dodgers 4-2 in the season's first duel between these arch-rivals.

Result left Brooks half a game behind.

Bobby Thomson drove in three Giants' runs with a home run and a long fly, and Whitey Eckman scored three times with a walk, a triple and a home run.

Thomson's efforts recalled his pennant-winning home runs off Brooklyn's Ralph Branca last Oct. 1—last occasion he faced Dodgers' pitching.

George Spencer, who relieved starter Jim Hearn with the score

premarcy between the two centres.

Lineups of both teams will be announced tonight, says Eddie Gladding, Prince Rupert's baseball commissioner.

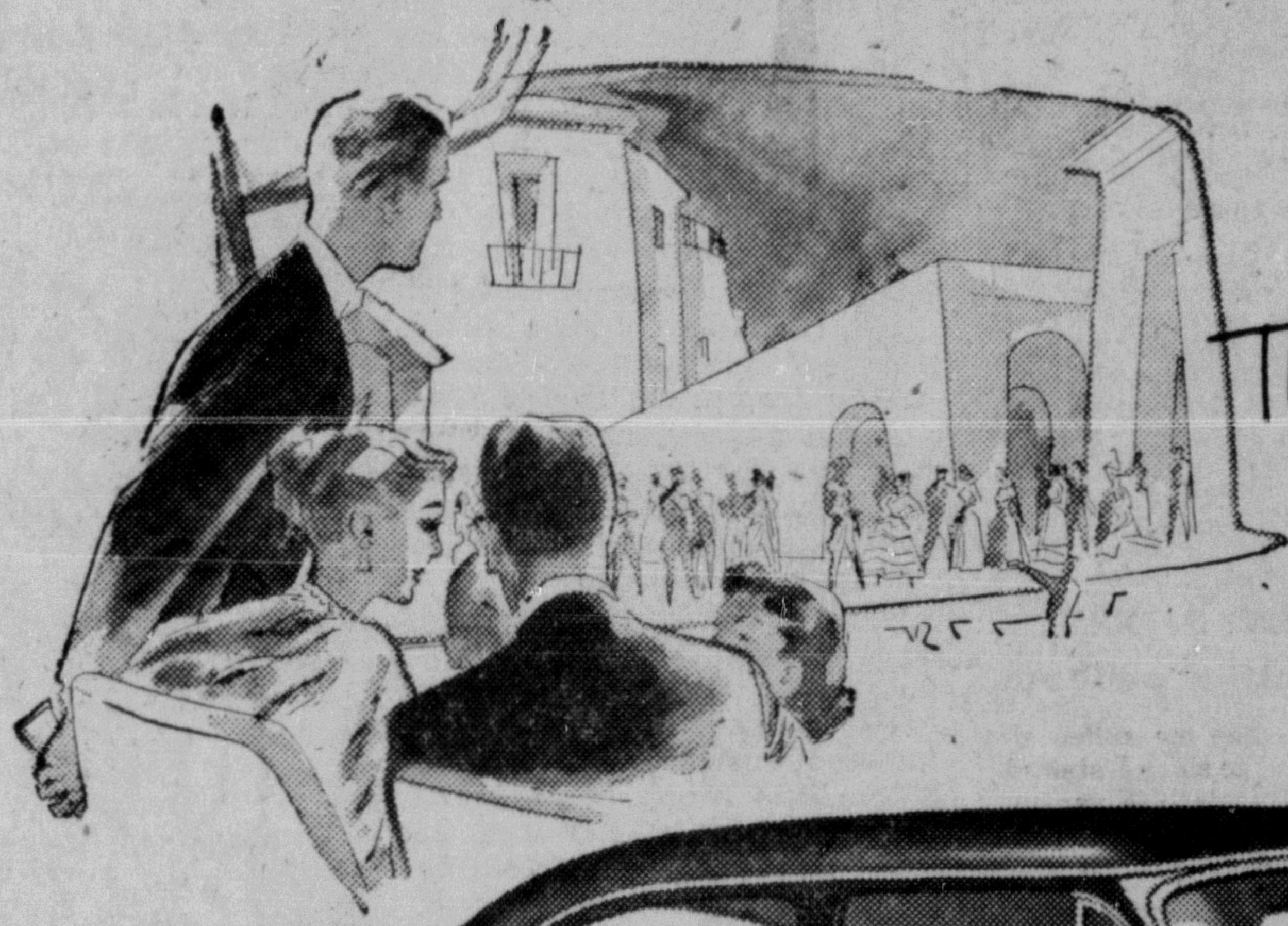
led 2-2 in second inning, turned in brilliant three-hit performance through 7 2-3 innings to get credit for the victory.

Loser was Carl Erskine who took over in the second after starter Preacher Roe bowed out for a pinch hitter in the Dodgers' half of the inning.

## AMERICAN

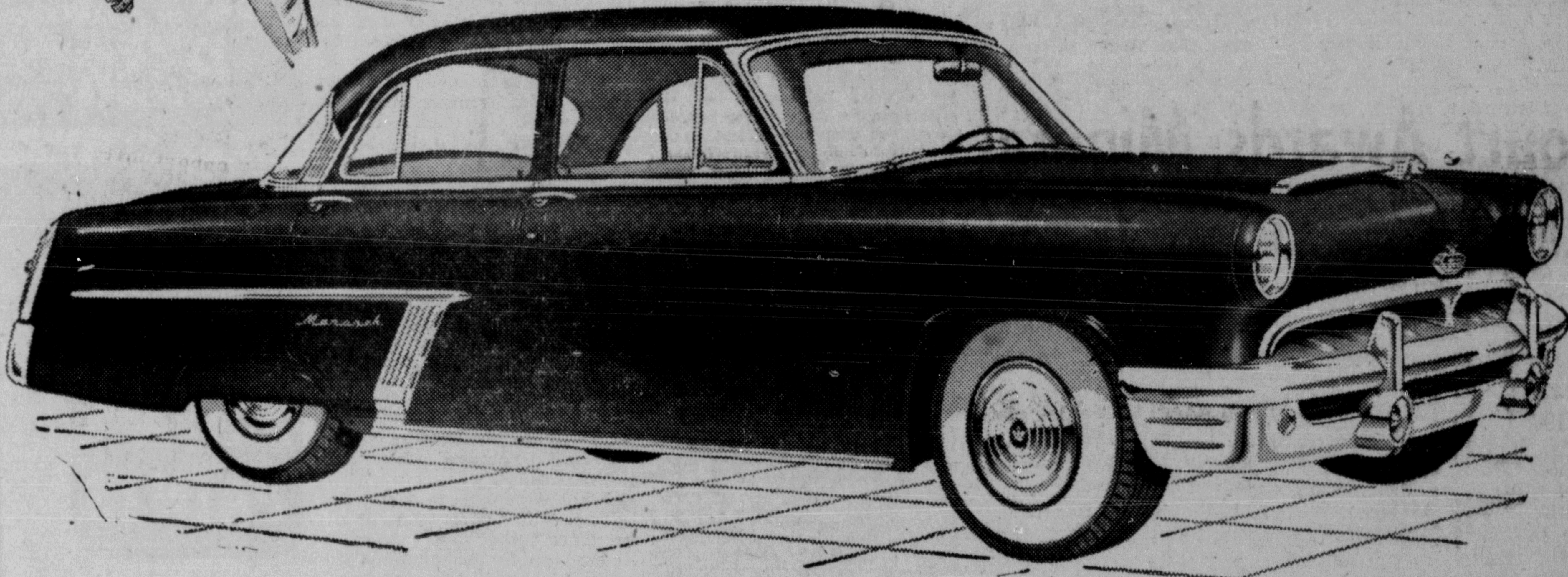
Don Lenhardt powered home five runs with a homer and a double off Johnny Sain as Boston Red Sox whipped New York Yankees 6-3 in the American League night game.

Verdict kept the Red Sox in second-place tie with Washington, 2½ games back of pace-setting Cleveland Indians, idle Monday.



## The "Met" Comes to Canada

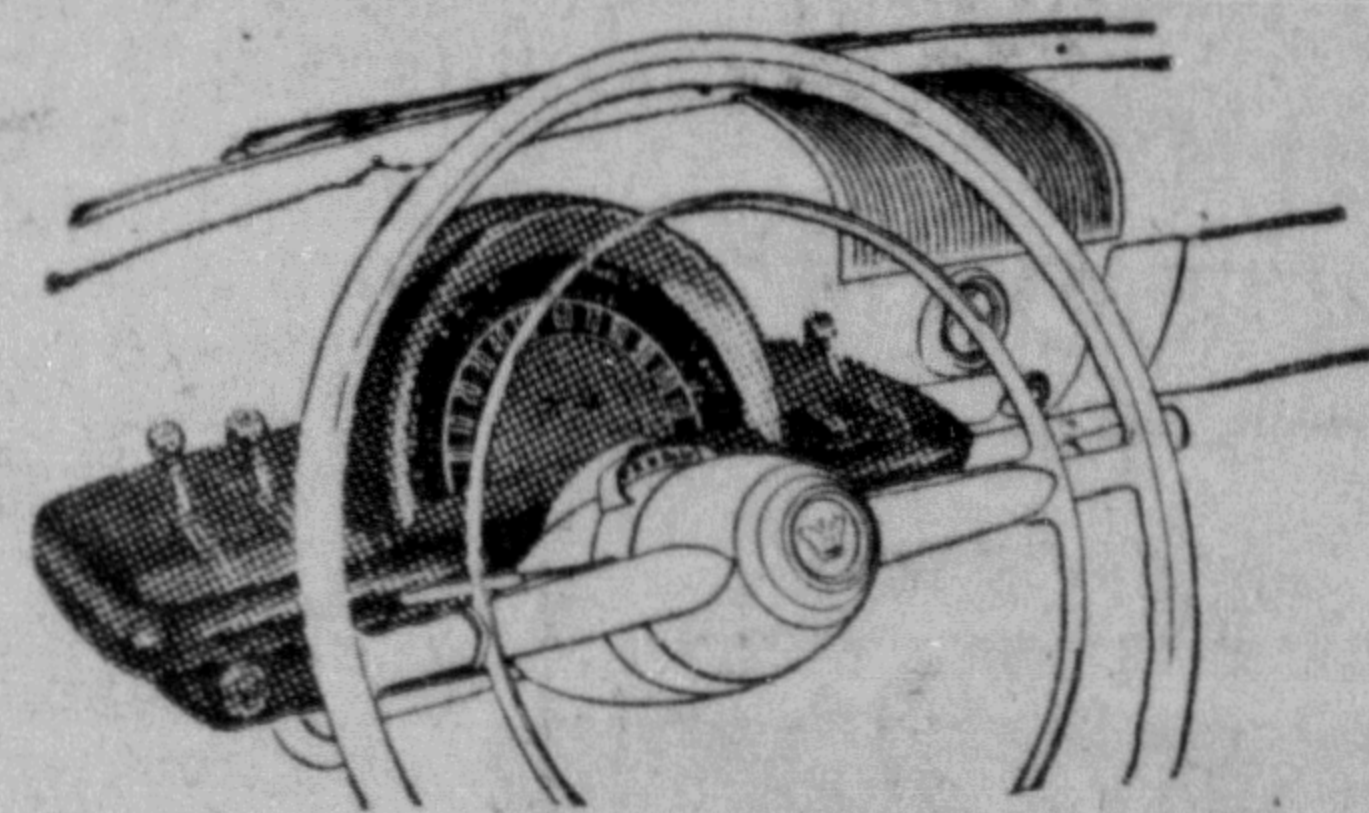
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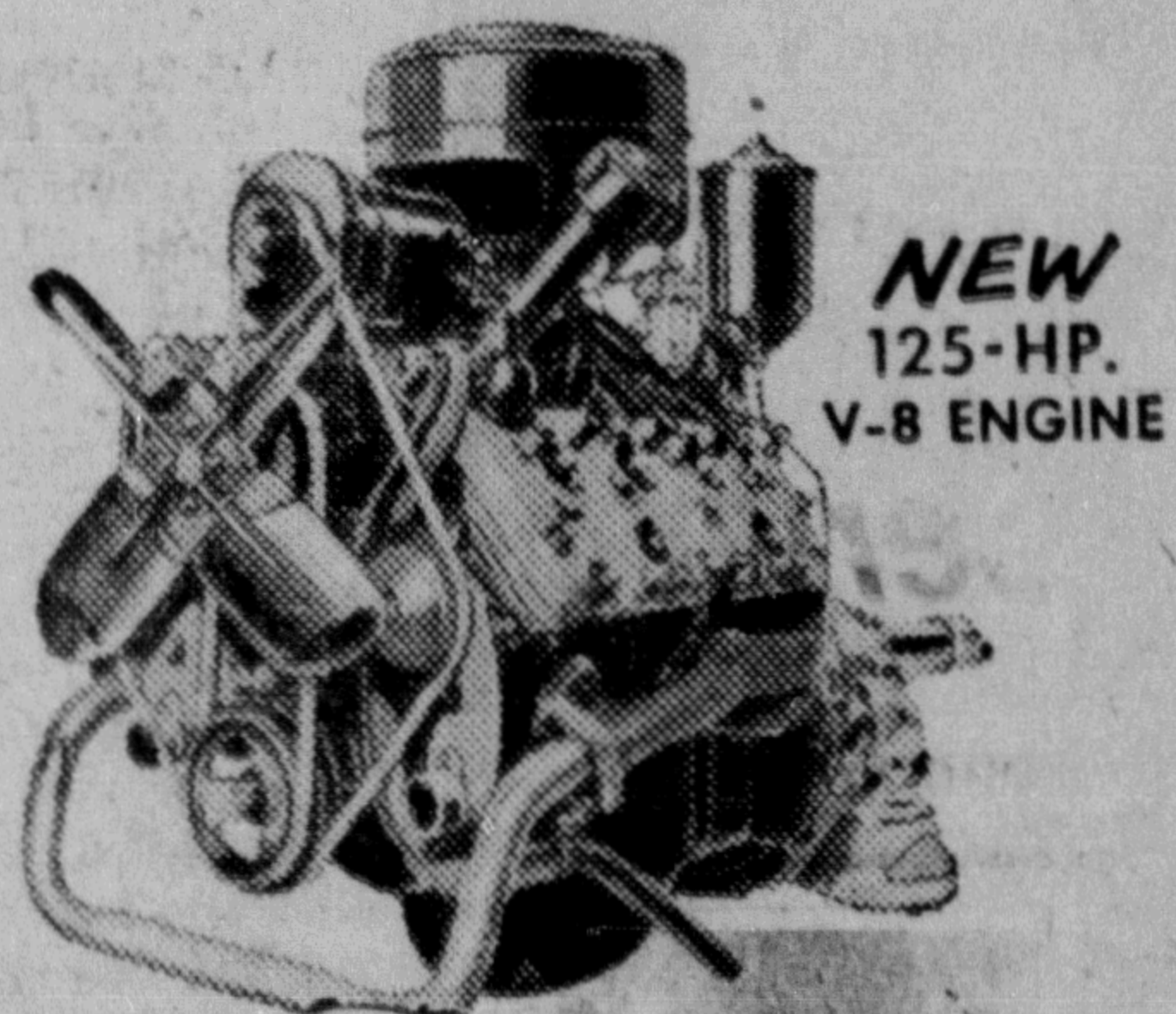
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