Nagging Headache—Whinnying his appreciation, Mizzen Mast accepts Mrs. Robert N. Weltzel's offer of a couple of aspirins crushed in sugar. The two-year-old isn't suffering from a hangover, but from occupational worry. Strictly a youngster in the racing business, having made only a couple of starts, the horse got a headache just wondering how he will do against those "veterans" next time out.

SPORTS—&

by A SIXBIT CRITIC

To the surprise of almost nobody those Chicago Cubs were moping around the depths of the National League sub-basement; and even if Manager Charley Grimm couldn't have harbored any great hopes of a pennant-contender with the assortment of talent he had managed to collect, still he wasn't any too well pleased with the way his alleged team had been going.

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One evening, after the Cubs had dropped a tough decision, Grimm sat in his hotel room staring moodily—we might have said "grim-ly" but we'll spare you that—out of the window. In came Andy Lotshaw, trainer of the Chicago outfit.

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"You don't need to tell me, I know how you feel, Charley," remarked Andy in tones of deepest sympathy. "I'm the same way; I just tried to eat some dinner, but the food tasted just like sawdust and I couldn't eat a bite."

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After the trainer had left Grimm played a hunch. He phoned down to the hotel dining-room and asked them to send up the dinner-check that Lotshaw had just signed. It read something like this; shrimp cocktail, soup, double steak with all the trimmings, two pieces of pie, ice cream and coffee. Total, around seven dollars.

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When he had read it Grimm let out a roar, and bounded out of the room gunning for Lotshaw. However, Andy's spot of "sympathy" had turned the trick. Charley Grimm wasn't mad any more—at least not about losing that ball game.

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A column or so back we referred to the late Joe Jacobs, fight manager extraordinary and generally known as "Yussel the Muscle." While alive Joe was often confused, in the minds of the public, with Mike Jacobs, the fight promoter, who has just bowed out of the fight business where, for so long, he ruled almost alone.

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There are a million tales told about Mike too—perhaps none of them saltier than the one about how he took care of the $80,000 cash which he personally took away from Soldiers Field in Chicago the night of the second Tunney-Dempsey brawl.

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The Windy City was quite a tough spot in those days and, rather naturally, Mike was somewhat worried over packing so much ready money around. He gave a motorcycle cop twenty dollars to take him to the hotel in the side-car, but even when there in his room he felt by no means at ease.

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"I figured that if some of those tough mobsters knew I had it they might try to stick me up, even if they had to jimmy the door open; so I wanted to be ready for them. Before the fight there had been a party in the room and there were a lot of champagne bottles lying around, most of them empty but a few still filled. So I got a long table and stacked it with bottles. Then I sat down at the table, facing the door. If anybody tried to get in I was all set to grab the phone and holler for the law. But if they got in before the cops arrived, I was going to heave bottles at them."

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Mike sat there all the balance of the night, prepared to go into his glass-juggling act on short notice; but nothing happened, Came the dawn, as the Hollywood scriptwriters used to phrase it, but still the Jacobs' brow was wrinkled with care. The eighty G's were safe, so far, but there was still the problem of getting it to the bank.

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"I was afraid somebody might be laying for me and stick me up on the way to the jug," Mike says, "for in them days they would do things like that to you in Chicago as soon as look at you—or even sooner—even in broad daylight.

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"So I sat there wondering what the heck to do, and then I happened to think of a niece of mine who had two little girls around five or six years old so I phoned and told her to fetch them around to the hotel. So when they got there we pinned the dough inside the two kids' little panties and my niece took them around to the jug where I met them a little later and deposited the eighty grand."

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With most men, you would put a tale such as that down to—well, imagination, but not Mike Jacobs, who was a character straight out of Damon Runyon, a man who started as a hustler, scalping theatre tickets, operating nickel side shows and so forth, and who ended up as the biggest figure in the immensely profitable fight promotion racket.

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Now he's departed, and the game has drifted into the hands of financiers such as the Norrisses, who own or control—among other things—at least three of the six Arenas in which Big League hockey is played. There's little doubt that they're far better and more conventional business men than Mike Jacobs ever dared to be; but we wouldn't mind placing a small bet that, when they pass out of the picture, there won't be nearly as many, or as amusing, yarns told about them.

Race Track Doubles as Farm—When they're not racing horses, they're raising crops at Miami's beautiful Hialeah Race Track. While the ponies thunder around northern tracks during their peak season, Hialeah is being planted with peas, okra, cucumbers, corn and watermelon. Here, workers distribute a covering of hay and fertilizer near the finish line. After the harvest, stalks and roots are chopped to a pulp and plowed into the strip.

WHAT GOES ON IN THE WORLD

by Norman Blair

GERMANY

Our Canadian way of thinking is greatly colored by United States press dispatches, magazines, movies and radio—far too greatly so in the opinion of many.

So it is with a feeling of real satisfaction that I reprint here an editorial appearing in the Christian Science Monitor, published in Boston, which says something which greatly needed saying, and is worthy of the widest publicity north of the Border, Here it is.

"Recently there was a great splurge in the press of the United States about that stupendous American achivement, the Berlin airlift. The only thing wrong with this picture was the terminology. The airlift, as it happened, was an Anglo-American achievement.

"Approximately one-third of the joint effort was British, paralleling the comparative resources of the two nations. The cost to British taxpayers was $26,000,000, and 23 British aircrew were lost in the operation, as compared to 27 Americans.

"The comparisons are unimportant as such. What is important is the solidarity of purpose and the close technical teamwork which made this marvel of achievement possible. The rift occasioned by the Boston tea party finds no place in the lift provided by the Berlin sky party."

To every word of which all Canadians who still take pride in a British heritage or background can heartily say "Amen;" although, possibly, the first sentence in the third paragraph might have been omitted. Such comparisons—such information is important. Ask any group of Canadian school kids about the Berlin airlift, and the chances are that three out of five of them would say that "the Yanks did it all." And it shouldn't be so!

GREAT BITAIN

Nationalism, the main strongpoint in the policy line of Britain's Labor Party, is coming under some sharp fire just now.

The fire comes from a somewhat unexpected direction—from socialists and trade unionists.

A heavy broadside has just been aimed at the National Coal Board by the Fabian Society — an influential back-room group of socialists, whose early history is studded with names like George Bernard Shaw, H. G. Wells, and even Premier Clement R. Atlee himself.

The Fabians approve nationalization in theory, But they declare themselves "shocked" by the workers' own critical reactions to this particular example in practice.

Research workers of the Fabian Society polled a "sample" selection of 88 coal miners and union officers to discover industry's own views about nationalization. Of that total, 84 replies supported criticisms of the Coal Board as a swollen, bureaucratic machine.

The Fabian Society declares that while the average miners' support for the Labor Government and of the theory of national ownership of the coal industry remains unimpaired, their poll reveals "a serious situation calling for prompt action."

Friction Cited

"We cannot feel it desirable or necessary that nationalization should involve as much friction and frustration in the first 2½ years as it has in present case," the report declares.

THE UNITED STATES

A little over three years ago, at an "American First" meeting in Chicago, one of the speakers was the Rev. Arthur W. Terminiello, a Roman Catholic priest from Alabama, who was then under suspension by his Bishop for utterances "detrimental to his church and the unity of our country." (He has since been reinstated by the church.)

At the meeting in question Father Termniello's speech was violent. While, outside the hall, an angry crowd of protestors chanted, threw bricks and stench bombs, he attacked "atheistic, communistic Jewish or Zionist Jews" and spoke of "slimy scum," "snakes" and "bedbugs."

After the meeting Father Terminiello was arrested, tried and fined $100 for disorderly conduct on the ground that his speech had stirred the public to anger and created a disturbance. He appealed, and a few days ago the United States Supreme Court threw out the conviction on constitutional grounds.

The verdict was by no means unanimous, the nine justices splitting five to four; and this close vote in the Supreme Court clearly reflects a decided conflict of opinion on such matters. On the one hand there are those who, like the court majority, advocate the widest latitude in expression of opinion, no matter from what quarter that expression comes. On the other hand there are those who, like the court minority, feel that extremists must somehow be restrained lest they go so far as to destroy eventually all freedoms of speech.

Just what effects this Supreme Court decision will have on the trial of 11 alleged Communist leaders in New York does not appear at this writing. But to an unbiased onlooker it would seem strange if Father Terminiello could get away with such expressions he still used, and the Communist leaders be very severely punished. However, in the United States—and elsewhere — it seems quite possible to make "fish of one and flesh of another," and do so legally. In any case, the professional Jew and negro-baiters, especially in the Southern states, are doubtless quite happy over the whole thing.

Pickups From Here and There

Gossip always seems to travel fastest over the sour-grape vine.—Walnut Bureau.

Many a young man has set out to conquer the world and ended up by getting married. — Davenport Democrat.

Today is that tomorrow you were thinking about yesterday when you decided to do that putting off.—Mason City Globe-Gazette.

In this modern day most of us have too much on our mind—and too little mind.—Keosauqua Register.

Looks like many of us will have to find a way of living on less than we couldn't live on before.—Tama News-Herald.

About the only person who can really make a living out of guessing contests is the man in the weather bureau.—Algona Upper Des Moines.

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