Last night I read an interesting advertisement by a tire company telling car owners how to take better care of their tires, to make them last. This seemed to me to be very helpful advertising, and $I$-wrotelaflettor congratulating the nanufacturex. I did one-more thing-teo-I decided to make sure that every car owner knows how easily he can take better care of the finish of his automobile with JOHNSON'S CARNU. Cleaning and polishing a car used to be a big job - one of those all day, or at least half day, affairs. But CARNU has done away with most of that hard work - because CARNU both cleans and polishes in one application - two jobs at once, in quick time. CARNU is a liquid polish - you massage it lightly over the car finish, let it dry, wipe it off. It cleans amazingly, brings back your car's original show-room shine. If you want added protection for that gleaming finish, if you want to save money on car washings, you can apply a coat of wax, too. But first, do a double cleaning and polishing job with JOHNSON'S CARNU - spelled C-A-R-N-U. (SWELL MUSIC TO FINISH) (APPLAUSE)
"TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME" USED TO BE A VERY POPULAR SONG, PARTICULARLY WITH MRS. MCGRE OF 79 WISTFUL VISTA, WHO IS AT THIS MOMENI SINGING THE OLD REFRAIN TO HER HUSBAND, AS WE MEEET --
-- FIBBER MCGEE \& MOLLY --
(APPLAUSE)

Well I'm a common people. AND I WANT TO SEE THAT BALL GAME.
Well, gee whizz, I don't quite see how I can --

MOL:
FIB:
MOL:

MOL:

McGee, I'm challenging you.
You are, oh?
I amt
Okay. Youlre as good as in. Where do you wanna sit? It doesn't matter....... I stand up all the time anyway... I can holler better that way. Now how do we get in?

I dunno. The details ain't important. But we Ill be there.

MCGee. . . at times like this I almost admire you. How do you think I got where I am today, if I didn't have imagination and stamina?
I dunno.... where are you? And look - yould better get busy. The game is this afternoon, you know. And I hope Zernicki pitches.

## Who?

Zernicki. The southpaw that Wistful Vista bought for three thousand dollars and a shortstop from the Akron Acmes, and who spent four years in the minors trying to straighten out his fast drop. YOU know Zernickil

I .. er .. IM afraid I ain't followed the game as close as you, Molly. This .. er...Zemnicki is pretty good, eh? GOODI He's a side-winding sensationt He's got a curve that would fool a slow-motion camera and he steals bases like the Invisible Man. Hels 29 years old and has a batting average of .367. Born in Zanesville Ohio, and has a small mole on his left shoulder.

What was his grandmother's maiden name?
Princess Purple Prairie Dog. She was an Indian girl. Welli You seem to be kinda up on your baseball, Molly. I ought to be. I've been following baseball ever since I was old enough to throw a pop bottle. Remember before we wore-marriod, hew-I used to go to all the games?

## OHHHFHF yesco whon-I flwst met you, you always went to the

 gameswith Joff Louis and-Monvie-Needhem. I-ueed-to callFou HTho-Fan-with-Two-Blades."
## MOI: Thath-right. Thaths-why I-was always so good-at-mathomatior

 I-was figuring-batting-averages-when I was nine years oid Why, one-time,-my mother-If that's Judge Landis, wantin' some information, whatill I tell him? Tell him he rang the right bell.

## DOOR OPEN:

Oh, it's Mrs. Uppingtons Hello, Abigail....
UPP
How do you do, Mrs. MaGee - AND Mr. MoGee.
What 's new, Mrs. U?

Vell, heavenly days...THANK YOU, ABIGAIL! What'd I tell you, Molly? There's a power that watches over mel (LAUGHS) You see, Uppy, I promised Molly I'd get her into the game today and then you come along and give us tickets ! <
These tickets are for Thursday's game, Mr, McGee.. what power is watching over you today? Ahhh. Think fast, master mind

I'll go under my own power today.
Why can't you go to the game, Abigail?
My club work, you know, Mrs. McGee. We have a guest for luncheon today, who is going to talk to us about China. That ought to be interesting. Oh sure. Fascinating How you gals can sit there, Upp, and listen to a lot of burble about how to paint forget-menots on cups and saucers, when there's so much goint on in the world, is beyond PLEASE, MR. MCGEE!

Eh?
As usual, you have taken a running jump to an incorrect conclusion. Our guest is NOT speaking about oups and saucers. He represente the United China Relief, for which our organization is helping to raise a very necessary 7million dollar fund.

You'd BETTER blush, McGeel
Sorry, Uppy. And while I've got my neck out, would you mind lookin' to see if I need a haircut?
You do.
Thanks .

What about this United China Relief, Abigail?
Mrs. MoGee. China didn't want this war any more than we did. It was forced upon both of us. America and China are fighting the same gangster nations for the same ideals..peace and honor and personal freedom. But China has been fighting our fight for five yearsi And now they need help. They need 7 million dollars urgently for civilian morale, medical and food supplies. And I think it is up to us to help, by subscribing generously to the United China Relief. We OWE IT to them as we owe certain things to Japan - and I think they will both be paid Gooddayd

## PPLAUSE:

Door stam)
IOL: Don't you feel just a little sheepish, McGee?
IB: I sure do. If I felt any more sheepish, I'd rent myself out to jump over fences for people with insomnia. But gee, I didn't know she was doin' such good work.

Yes, shels doing a lot. She gives five days a week to the Red Cross, one day to canteen work, and she's bought forty thousand dollars' worth of United States. War Savings Bonds. Himmm. And to think I felt proud when I turned in that old toothpaste tube last nightl Well, it just goes to show, one never can tell from where one sits, how wrinkled one's pants are gonna look when one stands upl "SOMEBODY ELSE IS TAKING MY PLACE"

## (2ND REVISION)

MOL: Well, McGee, where are we going to sit?
FIB: You sit on the davenport and I'll sit in the big chair here. I like to sit here because the ask tray is always -
MOL: I DON'T MEAN WHERE ARE WE GOING TO SIT HERE. I MEAN OUT AT THE BALL GAME.
FIB: Eh? Oh. Oh yes...the ball game. There's no rush. We stickl got 2 hours and we can get there in twenty minutes. But it may take us an hour to find a hole in the fence. WHADDYE MEAN, A HOLE IN THE FENCE! I SAYS I'D, GET YOU INTO THE BALL GAME AND BY THE FORTY FLUTES OF THE
PHILADELPHIA PHILHARMONJC, I'LL DO IT! So don't -
DOOR CHIME:
MOL: Come int
DOOR OPEN
OLD M:
FIB:
OLD M:
MOL:
FIB: .

Hella, there kids. I brought you something. Well, much obliged, old Timer. But what is it?
Sack of alfalfa. It's for Lillian's baby. I didn't think held want a rattle or a silver cup with his initials on it, so I brung him this.

MOL :

FIB:

MOL :

FIB: Nope.

MOL:
OLD M:

FIB:
OLD M:

MOL :
OLD M:

FIB:

OLD M: How's the kid doin'?
Swell. Gonna be a fine horse when he grows up. Might make a race horse out of him.

OLD M: Good for you, Johnny, Leave me know, and I'll help you train him.
Oh do you know something about training race horses, Mr. 01d Timer.

OLD M: Do either of you kids?

OLD M: YES SIR...I SURE DO \& You know that all the big racehorses have a mascot that. lives in the stable with lem...a dog or a cat or a goat or a rooster or somethin'?
Oh thank you, Mr. Old Timer.....this was very thoughtful of you. Yes, I've heard that? \&

Well, I was the mascot for a horse named Chester's Baby down in Louisville. Lived right, there in the stable with him. How!d you ever get a job like that?

I was just a stable boy at first, Johnny... then the owner seen he needed a mascot so he told the trainer "GRAB THAT OLD GOAT OVER THERE AND PUT HIM IN THE STALL." Trainer was nearsighted and and grabbed me. Natural mistake. I wore... my beard, then.
Quite a career, Mr . 01d Timer. Roommate for a racehorse. We were more than roommates, Daughter. We were sidekicks. He'd kick me in the baok and I'd kick him in the side. Learn to eat hay, Old Timer?

Nope. Too ticklish to eat it in a bunch, and one straw at a time don't give enough norishment. I'M like you, Johnny. I stick to the old corn. Well, call me if you need a good trainer.

By the way; McGee...did you go out and feed Lillian and her baby?
Sure. AND YOU KNOW WHAT? THAT COLT UNDERSTANDS CHINESE. What are you talking about? That horse is as American as baked beans.
I don't care. He knows Chinese. I was tryin' to think of a good name for him this morning, so I thought I'd try a few, and the one that got the best reaction was gonna be it. And what did?
Well, sir, I tried Alfred, and Homer, and Willim, and Bert the and Paul and Cecil and Leonard and Sidney and ${ }_{\wedge}$ stuff, till I was a little hoarse myself. And all they'd do is lillian would look at the colt and the colt would look at Lillian and they'd kinda shake their heads. So, I got disgusted andsays "AHHH, FOOEY 8" and they both started Squealin'. I tell you that horse is Chinesel
Well, Foulre not going to tie any name Itke Ah Fooey on that sweet little animal. And-besides, this isn't getting us to the ball game. Don't forget you promised to -

HELLO FOLKS. . . am I intmuding?
Oh not a bit, Mr. Wilcox. Not a bit.
No, I was just gettin' ready to take Molly to the Ball Game. Oh are you a fan, Molly?

## Wel-1-1 yes, in a way, Mr. Wilcox.

In a WAY\& Say I'll bet she could tell you who the leading pitcher was in 1905.

## What League?

American.
Rube Waddell. Athetledetphia. Won 27. Lost 10. See?

That's wonderful, Molly, I used to play a little baseball myself, you know.
Oh did you really, Mr. Wilcox? What did you bat?
Right handed.
SHE MEANS YOUR BATTING AVERAGE, FOU GOON: EVEN I KNOW THAT 1 Oh. Well, I never figured it out. I pitched for the salesmen's team of the Johnson Company back in Racine, Wisconsin. Been a big help to me ever since, too. How, Mr. Wilcox.

OH, MOLLY...YOU SHOULDN'I ASKED THAT.
Why not?
Why that's the same as givin' Lillian a handful of hay to keep for you overnight. But it's too late now. WHY MR. WILCOX...DID YOUR BASEBALL EXPERIENCE HELP YOU LATER ONR Well, I'M still on the Hame team. you know. Still in there pitching. Telling housewives that they'll never get to first base with old fashioned methods of rubbing and scmubbing linoleum....

See what I meant Molly? Didn't you ever try the big leagues, Mr. Wilcox?

WIL:
FIB:
VIIL:

MOL :

FIB:

## DOOR SLAM:

Why a short stop at your dealer's for a can of Johnson's Self-Polishing Glocoat will result in a home run with efficiency and economy. You can just see Pop fly home to get a look at that gorgeous kitchen floor, gleaming like a diamond. With no rubbing and no buffing, you'll get your innings with more outings, because Glocoat saves you so much time and energy. Pitoher old mop pail out the window, girls, and get some Johnson's Glocoat right off the bat! Well, listen to old Gabby Hartnett Wilcoxl And all the baseball he ever played was for a handful of salesment

Yes. Once. But I quit after one season.
What for?
Well, the they started playing, these was one to play around in night clubs. Well, see you later!

Why didn't you ask him what he could do toward getting us into the game this afternoon, McGee?
Aw he ain't got any drag...except with housewives. If I wanted a piece of spongecake or something, I'd go to him but for ballgames and stuff we gotta contact the sporting element. Now lemme see...I think I better -

## DOOR CHIME:

MOL: COME IN!
DOOR OPEN:
MOL: Oh, hello Mayor La Trivia.
FIB:
Hiyah, La Triv. I'M glad jou arrived.

GALE:
FIB:
GALE:

MOL:
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MOL:
GALE:
MOLE:

Good day, Mrs. McGee... why are you glad, McGee?
I wanted to talk to Jou about the ball game. You see That's odd...I am on my way out there very shortly, and as it is getting so much warmers, I wondered if you'd mind if I left my topcoat here? I don't like to leave it in my car. Why of course, Mr. Mayor. Are Jou a baseball fan?

Not much, I'm afraid. The last game I saw in Chicago in about 1919. I remember that because it was my birthday, June 17 th.

OH JUNE 17th, 1919...then you saw Frankie Frischl I did?

OF COURSE YOU DID! THAT WAS HIS FIRST MAJOR LEAGUE GAME. MCGRAW sent him in in the 9 th inning to bat for Hal Chase against Grover Cle veland Alexander. Paskert was playing center field for Chicago and Good heavens, woman... how do you remember all that? Why EvERYBODY KNOWS THAT! Ain't she wonderful, La Trivia? Who won the World's series in 1912, Molly?

Boston. Boston 4 games. New York 3 games. One tie game. It's amazing!

It's no such thing, really ... I just take an interest in the game.

If you took the same interest in poilities, La Trivia, you'd bo-givin'-fireatde chatg-inside-of-three-jeans, Didn't you over play baseball in college? f AT MW ? No. I was...er....more inclined toward mental work, McGee. You see I specialized in Lit.
IN what?
Lit.
You were?..... all the time?
Were what? Of course not. Lit. is merely the abbreviation for LITERARY. Just the same I should think yould have to have a clear head for that kinda word.

I did. Naturally.
How could you...lit all the time 1
I WAS NOT LIT ALL THE TIME. I WAS A VERY ABSTEMIOUS YOUNG MAN.
I should think you would be, with all those professors around. I'd been kinda absteenimus, too. Didn't they ever catch on? CATCH ONTO WHAT? You know... you being lit?

## TURE

 I TELL YOU THAT IIT STANDS FOR LITERARE:Yes, but did the literary guys stand for you being lit? (SHOURS) CANIT YOU GET IT THRU YOUR HEAD, MCGEE, THAT... exeuse-me. $1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10$. What was that for?

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GALE: I promised myself. Next time we got into one of these things I told myself I would not give way to anger. Besides I have a mission to perform this afternoon and $I$ wish to present as cheerful a face as public to the possible - I mean...
MOL: What's the mission, Mr. Mayor?
GALE :
FIB:
GALE:
MOL:

As Mayor, I have to throw out the first ball. Thought you never played baseball.
That's correct. I never did.
Do you know how to throw, Mr. La Trivia?
I fancy I shall make out all right, Mrs. McGee. One just raises one's arm, like this, and ...
No, no, no. Look, La Trivia...stand sideways, like this... then wind up a little.....wait a minutel
there at the ball park. I
GALE: Really, MoGee...I...I...this is very decent of you, I'm
sure.
MOL: Not at all...not at alli We owe it to Wistful Vista.
DID YOU FIND YOUR BALL, MCGEE?
FIB: No, but I think I know where it is.
MOL: Where?
FIB: Right here in the hall closet.
DOOR LATCH:
SOUND: TERRIFIC AVALANCHE OF JUNK.. BELL TINKLE: (PAUSE)
NOL: My, don't things acoumulate fast?
ORK: "BLUES IN THE NIGHT" YES ONLY DON IT RAISE YOUR HAND IIKE YOU WERE GONNA SLAP SOMEBODY'S SASSY FACE..SWING YOUR ARM OUT MORE TO THE SIDEt (WAY OFF MTKE) Very well, MCGee...I'll try it again...but I'm getting very tired. Come on now, Mr. Mayor. ...right over the plate. (OFF) What plate?
NEVER MIND...NEVER MIND 1. . . JUST THROW IT, LA TRIVIA...AND RENEMBER THE INSTRUCTIONS. Wind up...throw your left leg My for balance...bring your arm way back and then kinda PUSH the ball at $m \theta$.


I don't believe she goes out much, does she Mr. Wimple? Oh yes...quite a bit. In fact, Sweetyface LOVES to get out and mangle with people.

You mean MINGLE.
Oh I do....do If (IAUGHS)
This wife of yours must be quite a character, Mx. Wimple, She really is, Mr. Mayor.

Oh now, let's not all talk about her like that She isn't so bad. She really feels terrible after she treats me badly. She does?
Oh jes, indeed. Why just this morning she was down on her knees to me......just begging.

Oh not really.
REALLY, Mrs. MCGee...down on her knees with the flatiron, just BEGGING me to come out from under the house. (LAUGHS) Well, I won't interrupt you any longer... I have to be getting down to jail. JATLI

Whatcha going to jail for, Wimp?
I'm going to be locked up. I called them and told them I was coming.

But what on earth did you DO?
I just slugged Sweetyface with a baseball bat.
Good heavens, man
Did you hurt her?
No - that's why I want to be locked up. Well, goodbye, nowt Shall we go on with the lessons, Mr. La Trivia. I...I'd rather not if you don't mind, though I really do appreciate this, MoGee. It was..er..very sporting of you.

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Oh - not at all, Mr. Mayor...Here, here's your coat. Thank you. I... (GROANS) Smatter, La Trivia?

My right arm... I can't raise it up.
Oh it's just a little stiff, Mr. Mayor...Try again... here...I'll hold the sleeve of your coat for you.. Now... (GROANS)....It's no use, Mrs. McGee...I....I can't lift that arm an inch. McGee

Eh?
I CAN'T GO. I'M TOO LAME. I'M SORE ALL OVER. MY ARMI MY LEG\& IIVE GOT TO GO GET A DOCTOR. WILL YOU DO SOMETHING FOR NE?

What is it, Mr. Mayor?
Just name it, La Trivia...I'll do anything, on account of I feel kinda responsible for this.

I HATE TO ASK YOU TO DO THIS...BUT WILL YOU REPRESENT NE AT THE GAME TODAY, AND THROW OUT THE FIRST BALL? Oh, now gee whizz... just because I'm President of the Chamber of Commerce, you don't have to - WELL..ALL RIGHTt ...IILL DO ITb YOU GOTTA PASS TO THE BALL PARK, OR SOMETHING!

Yes, it's right here in my coat pock...(GROANS) Here..you get it.
I ALREADY GOT IT, LA TRIVIA. AAND IT'S FOR A WHOLE BOX, I SEE, SO I'LL TAKE MOLLY.

Yes yes yes..TAKE HER..TAKE ANYBODY. .NOW HELP ME OUT TO MY CAR, WILL YOU...I DON'T BELIEVE I CAN WALK ALONE.
I'M SORRY, LA TRIVIA..I AIN'T GOT TIME NOW..JUST GOT TIME TO GET OUT TO THE BALL PARK. COME ON, MOLLY! SHAKE IT UR\&

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CROWD MURMURS: CHEERS
MOL: (YELLS TAKE IT EASY, ZERNICKI...TAKE-IT FAGYZ. . WAIT FOR A GOOD ONE: Win your owne y ame!
CRCWD UP AND FADEs
FIB: Enjoying the game, Molly?
MOL: I certainly am, McGee...but I keep worpying about Mayor LaTrivia.

Aw he's all right.
I know now why you spent all that time teaching him to throw a ball underhanded.
Over hand.
H wide
UNDERHANDED
Over - Oh. I see what you mean.
I thought you would...because - HERE IT COMES, ZERNICKI: SLAM IT OUTTA THE PARK!!!
SOUND: SHARP CRACK. CROWD CHEERS
FIB: Goodnight.
MOL: Goodnight, allı
ORK: UP TO FINISH : APPLAUSE. SIGNOFF

