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Title: All The King's Horses.

Tracks: Xmas In July..Down Went McGinty..Mama That Moon's Here Again.

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Lines: Stagg.

Voice: Mellor.

In the New England mountains it's still cold enough for ski-ing, and if a girl goes snow-sporting in America she has to be a fashion-plate or be left out in the cold. It's very nice to rest the mind from war strain and feast the eyes on pretty girls, well turned out, in surroundings where they can still think of sport.

(AFTER CU. PAN DOWN) Against the winter sun in the mountains it's necessary to use sun-tan oil to protect the face. Waterproof trousers will protect parts which the sun's too shy to menace. (SLIGHT PAUSE) Anyone who went to the ski-ing centres just for the mountain scenery would be overlooking quite a lot.

On the Pacific coast, 6000 miles from the war, America held its first blackout test. The folks of Seattle were notified that all lights would go out at 10.40 that night, and everybody was expected to co-operate. People were asked to be about as usual during the 15 minute experiment, and to make themselves visible.

Cops had the afternoon off to play blindman's buff. They're blind to real trouble in any light.

10.39 found the city with all lights on as usual. Zero hour crept nearer till off went the lights.

Military observers said it was almost a hundred per cent success. For the population it was good fun. It only lasted 15 minutes; but don't envy Seattle, our own blackout should be over in 15 years.

Some U.S. artists got up an anti-Hitler dance on novel lines. When Americans think anybody's a skunk they call him a heel, so the artists call themselves the Heel Hitler Party, and they're out to ridicule Adolf back to paperhanging. It's a good idea so long as America goes on sending us bombers to back it up.

(4 HORSEMEN TURNS) Artists are no respecters of persons at the best of times. They think Hitler should be sat on as soon as possible.

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OFF-STAGE VOICE---"FLASHES"

- 1. (TITLE---BLACKOUT OVERSEATTLE)
- 2 to 11. Seattle's city fathers plot the first large scale blackout ever conducted in a metropolitan American city. Notices are posted everywhere... and all citizens pitch in to prepare for the 15 minutes of total darkness. The military eye of the nation is focused on Seattle...for this would be a major problem, should total war ever come to these peaceful shores. And it's good teamwork that typifies today's test.
- 12 to 14. Covered heads accustom the arm of the law to getting about in the dark.
- 15 to 18. For milady, there's blackout black, with white trimmings...Fashion will not be left in the dark.
- 19 to 24. All is in readiness now for the lights out signal. A city of more than 365,000 population douses the kilowatts...for it's lights that help kill when air raiders fly by night.
- 25 All clear...lights on...the test is over.

- 1. (TITLE---DRAFTETTES SIGN UP)
- 2 to 5. The nation's first draftettes...mostly from Government offices, they're enrolling to dance with ~~white~~ soldier boys in nearby camps (Tak).
- 6 to 14. The drawing is just like the real thing...first picked, first to dance with a man in uniform..Lucky gal, she goes with a group rushed out to the Arlington cantonment, to make a tea dance complete. With over a million men now in Uncle Sam's growing Army, a good stomper should be more popular than ever.