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ELEPHANTS AND ALLIES.

Our cameraman Oscar Beville out East has turned in this story of working elephants employed in heavy duty jobs on the Burma Front. He tells how these animals filched from the Burmese by the Japs at the time of the occupation, are being systematically snatched back from under the very noses of the enemy by elephant rustlers...Burmese bushmen who raid the stockades and bring back big drives of these well trained animals. Skilfully taught to drag, push, roll and lift heavy logs, they can each do in a single day the work of between two and three hundred coolies. After setting up a ramp they proceed with tasks and trunk to load the logs onto a lorry. It's an education to watch them manipulating big baulks of timber with the skill of a lumberjack and the ease of a travelling crane.

The elephant has brain as well as brawn. Here's that colossal muscle power of his being used to haul an anti-aircraft gun up a steep slope. $1\frac{1}{2}$ tons of Bofors gun between the two of them. A tough job but these lads will make the grade.

A cow elephant takes her newly born infant down to the river to bathe. The little feller is not yet 24 hours old but he's out out to be a hauler and a cusher like his dad.