

## Daily German Lesson

Ist dies hier ihr Fuehrer?

Ist deess here eer Fwewrer?

Is this your leader?

## Daily French Lesson

Que vendez-vous ici?

Kuh vonDAY vooz ee-see?

What do you sell here?

## THE STARS AND STRIPES

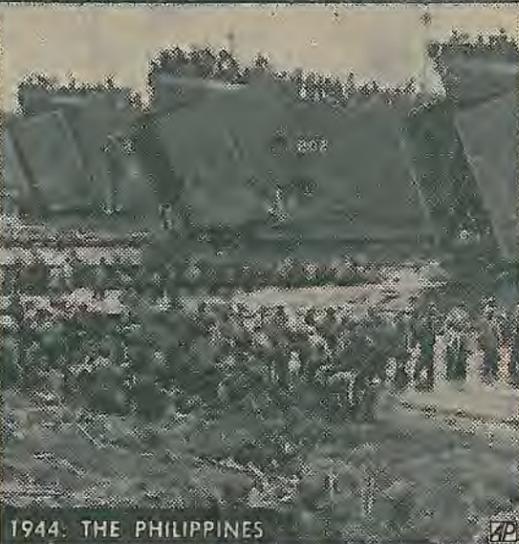
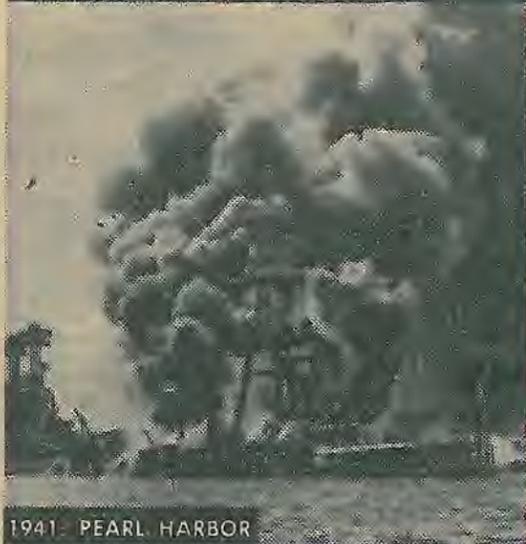
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## WHAT A DIFFERENCE THREE YEARS MAKE!



## Vignettes of War

## Love Over, Dung With

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE 95TH INFANTRY DIVISION, Saarlautern, Germany, Dec. 6—The enemy soldier lay dead on a foul catafalque of dung in the filthy barnyard on the outskirts of Felsberg. Now in the foggy morning there was a funeral wreath on his bloody chest.

The flowers were fresh and woven into a thick, white circle. They had been put there in the night.

The burial squad came and dragged the corpse to a truck. By noon the flowers were scattered and dead and lost in the mud. There was left only the stain of blood, and that was dyed pale by the rain.

Soldiers searched the houses in the town to see who mourned the dead Nazi. They had heard he was a lover with a lot of style who had been stationed in Felsberg for a long time.

In a PW stockade on the demolished fringe of Saarlautern a Nazi captain trickled blood from his broken nose. There was only a fringe of mud on his gleaming boots.

His overcoat was still new. It showed creases. There was a medic's Red Cross emblem on his right sleeve.

But when they had captured him, after a struggle, they found the Red Cross-marked overcoat covered a sniper's camouflage suit.

The GIs guarding him were angry. He asked them if he could put his hands in his pockets. They refused. He cringed inside the big overcoat in the rain.

## U.S.-Latin Shakeup Seen

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (Reuter)—The appointment of Nelson Rockefeller to the post of Assistant Secretary of State in charge of Latin-American affairs presages a drastic reorganization of the State Department's handling of inter-American problems, it was reported here today.

(An AP dispatch from Washington stated that informed circles believed there would be a marked change in the Department's attitude toward Argentina. If Cordell Hull had instigated such a change it would have meant "loss of face" for the ex-Secretary, the AP pointed out.)

Rockefeller was reported to have been granted practically autonomous powers in dealing with the Latin-American republics, his sole responsibility being to Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius Jr.

Rockefeller made his attitude clear at a recent meeting of the Foreign Service Officers' Club, when he declared that U.S. officials assigned to Latin-American countries very often were not fully cognizant of their problems.

## Paradise Lost—on Him

## U.S. Girl on Briton's Mind, but—He Fears Our 'Ghastly Food'

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 6 (AP)—A gunner, Phillip Gollidge, 21, of London, a member of the merchant fleet Royal Artillery, is "thinking" of becoming engaged to an American girl, but he's a very worried gunner.

"What I want to know," he said today, "is—if I marry an American girl do I have to eat ghastly things like apple pie with cheese, sugar on tomatoes, tea with teabags, candied sweet potatoes and drink cold American beer?"

Gollidge, who is now visiting Hartford, met the girl in question at a service canteen in Bayonne, N.J.

Gollidge and his companion, Lance Bombardier John C. Simpson, 24, of

More graphic than words, the picture above illustrates in part America's progress since the sneak Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. Today, on the third anniversary of the blow that plunged the U.S. into war, troops are fighting on Leyte Island in the Philippines. A detailed review of the global war is presented on Page 3.

## British Battling Greeks; Views Clash on Italy

## Italy

Divergent American and British views on the current Italian cabinet crisis remained unreconciled last night.

The controversy arose over the projected appointment of Count Carlo Sforza as Foreign Minister of the Italian government. When Sforza's name was proposed, the British Ambassador to Rome objected, and his objection was supported by London.

Tuesday, U.S. Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius Jr. issued his first public statement, declaring an American "hands off" policy. He said:

"The position of this government has been consistently that the composition of the Italian government is purely an Italian affair, except in the case of appointments where important military factors are concerned."

In the House of Commons yesterday British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden said:

"I maintain that H.M. government have a perfect right to express their opinion to another government about a minister in circumstances such as these."

Meanwhile, in view of direct British intervention in the Greek political crisis, the attention of observers was focused yesterday on the last two paragraphs of Stettinius' Washington statement:

"Since Italy is an area of combined responsibility, we have reaffirmed to both the British and Italian governments that we expect the Italians to work out their problems of government along democratic lines, without influence from outside."

"This policy would apply to an even more pronounced degree with regard to the governments of the United Nations in their liberated territories."

## Eighth Army Prepares All-Out Drive on Faenza

British and Polish troops of the Eighth Army established bridgeheads across the River Lamone yesterday and were in position for an all-out attack against Faenza.

Following up after the capture of Ravenna, the Allied armies in Italy attacked all along the German defense line stretched across the Po Valley in the sector east of Bologna.

ALLIED HQ, Italy, Dec. 6 (Reuter)—Lt. Gen. Lucian K. Truscott, commander of the Sixth U.S. Corps in Italy, has been appointed commander of the U.S. Fifth Army, succeeding Gen. Mark Clark, who now heads the 15th Army Group in Italy.

## Greece

British paratroops, infantry, armored cars and tanks yesterday went to the active support of Premier Georges Papandreou's government forces as the Greek internal crisis developed into undeclared civil war.

A Reuter report from Athens said the last EAM (resistance forces) stronghold had been occupied. Earlier, Greek government police and members of the Greek Mountain Brigade captured EAM headquarters one mile from the center of Athens.

Maj. Gen. Ronald M. Scobie, commanding British ground forces in Greece, sent his men into action at 6 AM, after, it was alleged, a British platoon had been fired upon.

Preliminary reports said at least one British officer had been killed and one enlisted man wounded.

Tuesday night, RAF planes dropped flares around the city in an effort to locate EAM formations.

Public utilities and commercial activity in Athens and its port, Piraeus, remained idle yesterday as a result of the general strike called Sunday by the resistance leaders.

## Germany to Mobilize All Able-Bodied Women

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 6 (Reuter)—Every available able-bodied German woman will be mobilized, the Berlin correspondent of Svenska Dagbladet reported today. First to be called up will be those from 18 to 35. They will serve with AA units and in the transport, intelligence and medical sections of the Luftwaffe.

## Third in Sweep Across Lorraine

Doughboys of the Third Army's 35th Division, in a seven-mile sweep over the Lorraine plain, yesterday gained control of two-thirds of the border city of Sarreguemines, overrunning the area west of the Saar and raking the Germans retreating into Germany to the north.

A dispatch from Sarreguemines, a mining center about 10 miles south of Saarbruecken, said the Americans met only light resistance and that the Germans had blown up all five Saar bridges in the town as they fell back. Enemy mortar and artillery fire met the troops as they cleared up snipers' positions.

While the 35th was reaching the Saar, other units of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's forces gained four more crossings over the river on a 2½-mile front between Saarlautern and Merzig, giving them six sites into which strength can be poured for the battle of the Siegfried Line in this area, already in its initial stages. Patton previously had two Saar bridgeheads, one in Saarlautern itself and another to the south.

The new crossings were made in darkness yesterday morning in assault boats, which met a hail of small-arms fire from the Germans on the eastern bank.

## First Captures a Town

On the Saarbruecken front, below Saarlautern, Fifth Division doughboys advanced more than three miles on a nine-mile axis, clearing the Karlsbrunn Forest, eight miles west of Saarbruecken. Other units on the south previously were reported to be within six miles of the border city, which was said to be burning after prolonged bombardment.

On the Roer River front in Germany, the First Army's capture of Bergstein was the only major change. Both the First and the Ninth, on the left flank, apparently were preparing to cross the flooded river, on the eastern bank of which the Germans were bolstering their defenses. Late Tuesday the Nazis sent over a barrage of phosphorous shells, setting fire to areas east of Linnich and covering their activities on the other shore.

Both sides were using plenty of artillery. First Army guns broke up a counter-attack by tanks and troops between the Roer and its tributary, the Inde. German planes dropped bombs and anti-personnel mines west and southwest of Julich. Yesterday, Thunderbolts hammered the town's sports stadium, where an enemy pocket is holding out west of the Roer River. A front dispatch said that flying-bomb activity in this area has slackened perceptibly. As many as 40 came over in one 24-hour period last week.

## Make No Great Attempts

North of the First and Ninth Armies' sector flood waters have inundated about 25 square miles on the Canadian front northwest of Nijmegen, in Holland, but the Germans have not made any great attempts to exploit their breaching of the dam which caused the flooding.

The Seventh Army made progress in a pass in the northern Vosges mountains of France, capturing two villages and boxing off about 25 square miles of woodland north of the Saverne Gap.

A delayed dispatch from the French First Army front said that the French had taken 15,000 prisoners and killed 10,000 Germans in its offensive.

## Next Stop



Moving through the debris-littered streets of a French border town, Third Army infantrymen pass a sign pointing toward their goal, the German industrial city of Saarbruecken.

## Heavies Batter Leuna Plant in Blow at Oil

Resuming their offensive against German oil production yesterday, approximately 800 Fortresses and Liberators of the Eighth Air Force, escorted by about 800 P47s and P51s, attacked the large Leuna synthetic-oil plant at Merseburg, as well as rail yards at Bielefeld and other targets in the Reich.

The heavies bombed in adverse weather, unopposed by enemy fighters.

In strafing attacks around Osnabruck and elsewhere in northwest Germany, Eighth pursuits shot up five locomotives, 18 rail cars, four barges and three trucks.

Four U.S. bombers and two fighters were lost.

Meanwhile, complete reports of Tuesday's assault on Berlin, the first in two months, showed 91 German fighters shot down by Eighth fighter-pilots. U.S. losses were 12 bombers and 22 pursuits, but at least 11 of the fighters and some of the heavies were believed to have landed in friendly territory.

Italy-based 15th Air Force Libs, bombing in support of the Red Army advance through Hungary, attacked rail yards on the lines leading to the front from Vienna, while Lightnings swept over the Vienna area strafing motor transport and rolling stock.

Ranging over 170 miles of the Western Front from the area immediately south of Munster to the Saar Basin, Ninth Air Force bombers and fighter-bombers, in more than 1,200 sorties Tuesday, attacked defended areas near Duren and Saarlautern, more than ten rail yards serving German front-line troops, six bridges across the Roer River, highway facilities, oil and supply dumps and a Nazi airfield.

## Reds Push On In Hungary

Three Soviet armies converged on Budapest from the south, east and northeast yesterday as the western arm of Marshal Tolbukhin's Third Ukrainian Army rounded the southern tip of Lake Balaton and pushed ahead toward the border of Austria, between 35 and 40 miles away.

Tolbukhin's other spearhead, aimed toward Budapest, pressed close to Szekesfehervar, 35 miles southwest of the city. Advance elements of this force were reported nearing a linkup with Marshal Malinowsky's troops, who yesterday made another crossing to the west bank of the Danube at Ercsi, 17 miles south of the capital.

The weight of the Russian attack on the capital was reported concentrated in this area, with the co-ordinated offensives to the east and northeast only holding attacks.

News of the renewed drive for Budapest came from German Radio. The reports were not confirmed by Moscow.

In the Lake Balaton area, the Russians were reported bringing up tanks and cavalry to reinforce their armored spearhead moving toward Austria. The Germans also were said to be rushing up strong reserves.

## Smoke Rings

## Grab Bag, Grab Bag

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (ANS)—John Rovegno, cigar-store operator in the State Office building here, inaugurated a unique plan today to stop persons from hoarding their favorite brand of cigarette.

Rovegno now uses the "grab bag" method. The bag contains all popular brands. A customer sticks in his hand and accepts what he pulls out. There are no seconds.

BOSTON, Dec. 6 (ANS)—State cigarette dealers came up with a novel idea today to ease the cigarette shortage to counter hoarding and repeat buying. Purchasers are required to turn in an empty pack for each full one.

THE STARS AND STRIPES

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THE B BAG BLOW IT OUT HERE

NOTE: B-Bag is receiving many unsigned letters. We require your signature as evidence of good faith only. Your identity will not be revealed if you inform us you want your name withheld.—ED.

The Four-Star Men Nov. 28, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, An argument has come up in our barracks as to how many men are entitled to wear four stars. We would like you to list them for us. We have included Gen. Pershing on our list.—C. W. D. Gen. John J. Pershing, Gen. Malin Craig, Gen. George C. Marshall, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Gen. Henry H. Arnold, Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Gen. Joseph Stilwell.—Ed.

Liquor for EMs Nov. 20, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, We are wondering whether or not EMs in the ETO are entitled to a monthly liquor ration.—Pfc Stan Halfenberg, Pfc Paul MacNeil, two thirsty airborne mortarmen. [There's no monthly liquor ration for EMs. However, Gen. Eisenhower this month ordered that any kind of liquor captured by U.S. troops from the Germans passed to the ComZ commanding general, who has been authorized to make issues from these supplies free of charge on a basis where the enlisted man receives exactly as much as any officer. Hard liquors, such as whisky and cognac, will be made available only through the Medical Dept., though.—Ed.]

A Matter of Thanks Thanksgiving Day

Dear Stars and Stripes, We are members of an Engineer Avn. Fire Fighting Platoon. Today we had a fire and put it out like the book and experience has taught us. But in returning our equipment to its proper place one of the truck drivers allowed one of the truck tires to get off the hard-surface in some mud. For this last mistake the driver of the truck was fined \$15.00 and restricted for a period of two weeks. It is nice to know we saved three or four hundred thousand dollars worth of equipment. But to help make up the loss, which wasn't our fault to begin with, is what we can't understand. To say nothing of us disregarding injury or loss of life. That is what they call appreciation. Thanks for letting us get this off our chest.—Members of Platoon.

Where There's Life Nov. 22, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, The article on criticism of Bob Hope by the Catholic organ, "The Pilot," in your issue of today, is, in my opinion, THE LAST STRAW. Maybe I don't have any right to voice my views, not being a combat soldier, but I do have many friends who are, some wounded in hospitals here in the ETO, and I know exactly how they would feel if Bob Hope, Charlie McCarthy, Red Skelton and the rest forego their spice for the duration and started singing hymns on their programs. If these programs are offensive, then let's just say our prayers and lay down and die. I think the good Lord would be more apt to smile on a soldier facing death with one of Bob Hope's cracks still fresh on his mind than smile on one of the hypocrites still roaming around loose at home. Being a Catholic myself, I'd like to know what our combat boys think. Shall we go without Bob Hope or not. Personally I'd rather do without my cigarettes.—Old Timer, Bomb Sq.

Army of Occupation Nov. 19, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, On the impending debates of discontinuing military service for men in the U.S. I would like to offer a suggestion. When this mess is all over there will still have to be maintained a relatively large force overseas. Why, then, couldn't selective service be continued after the war and be a source of replacements in the Army of Occupation? With boys becoming 18, why couldn't they be given six months of training and then six months of overseas duty as army of occupation? This source, coupled with the men that want to remain in the regular army, should provide an adequate amount of personnel so that no one man need be stuck over here for longer than one year unless he desires. Something like this would certainly give a guy, having served overseas for any length of time a much brighter outlook for the future, and something tangible to plan on.—Wanting to go home before hair turns grey, Pvt. William I. Goldsmith.

Hash Marks

Overheard in the blackout. "She's the quiet type—lives on hush money." Signs of the times (reported by Pfc Andrew Bernas). Over the entrance to a fighter base headquarters are the words, "Get used to civilian habits—close the door." A sailor's wife once complained, "Why are you so indifferent? When we were



first married you said I had a figure like a beautiful ship." Hubby replied, "Yeah, but your cargo has shifted." A S/Sgt. was walking in the streets of London, holding hands with the seven-year-old niece of an English friend, whom he was taking out for the day. Three Yanks with the gloss hardly off their Spam ribbons eyed the S/Sgt. and the junior miss as they passed by. "Gee!" geed one of the GIs to the S/Sgt., "you must be over here a real long time!" A GI who stepped into a Belgian shop to buy some souvenirs was quite surprised when the kind old lady behind the counter smiled sweetly and said, "TS, TS." He later discovered that the first Yanks in the town had purchased most of the goods in the shop and had told the old lady that "TS" was the proper way to tell Americans that she was out of the goods they wanted. They told her "TS" meant "terribly sorry."

The Daily Mirror told about the Yank who paid £5 to learn the British are a skeptical race. A British friend bet that if he stood on a busy street and loudly hawked ten-bob notes for 3d. he would not be able to sell six in half an hour. When the 30 minutes was up there had been only three customers—one an elderly lady who returned the two bucks and demanded her 3d. back, charging the note was counterfeit.

Afterthought. In the Army, when you're ready to turn in—or turn over—someone turns up and tells everyone to turn out.

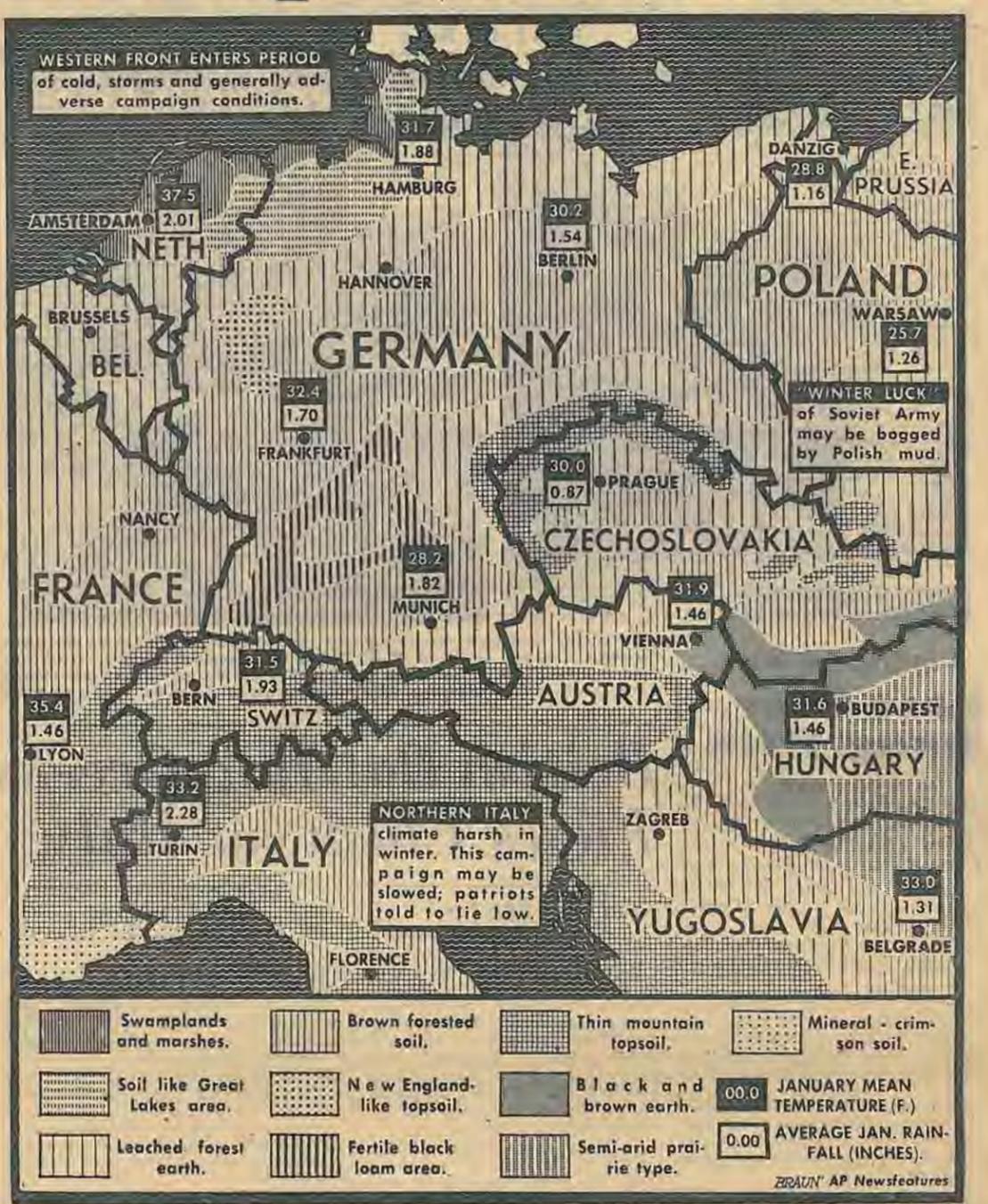
Overheard on the home front. "Dearie, why don't you join the WAVEs and re-



lease a man?" "It's more fun holding on to one."

If all the GIs were laid end to end in a mess hall, they'd reach. Then there was the cannibal's daughter who liked the boys best when they were stewed. J. C. W.

Europe Underfoot



Winter means different things in different parts of Europe. Soil makes a difference with tanks, and cold and mud with men. Holland begins swampy soils which extend through Denmark. South is a narrow band of sandier soil, beginning in southwestern France, sweeping across central Germany into Poland. East of the Weser River in Germany the average temperature drops to 30 degrees Fahrenheit, with the Elbe and tributaries covered with ice for some months. Warm winds from the Atlantic cut down the severity of winter, but tough going on the Western Front is promised in December and January if average precipitation holds to 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 inches. Poland's winters do not insure hard-frozen ground, and northern Poland offers clay-like soil and marshland. Southern Poland is covered with loess, dust-like soil which forms horrible mud. In Italy, the Po Valley gets severe winter climate from the Alps, and the Lombardy plain offers sedimentary soil which forms a sticky mud. Going will be rough in this area. There also is much rain or melting snow which will confront the advancing Allied Troops.

House Seeks Voice in Treaties, Hopes to Lessen Senate Power

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6 (AP)—As the time draws closer when the U.S. will have to decide whether to participate in post-war treaties and international organizations, a new campaign is underway to curb the Senate's exclusive treaty-making power. Under the Constitution, only a two-thirds vote of approval in the Senate is necessary to any treaty with a foreign nation. The House of Representatives has no part in any treaty decision. The fight now going on is to amend the Constitution so that a majority vote from both House and Senate could ratify a treaty. A Constitutional amendment requires a two-thirds OK from both House and

PRIVATE BREGER



"It's that platoon behind the enemy lines, Sir! They report all their pin-ups destroyed and to drop replacements by parachute!"

AFN Radio Program

- On Your Dial 1375 kc. 1402 kc. 1411 kc. 1420 kc. 1447 kc. 218.1m. 213.9m. 212.6m. 211.3m. 207.3m. Thursday, Dec. 7 1200—World News. 1205—Duffle Bag. 1300—Headlines—Sports News. 1305—Corporal Saddlebags. 1330—Blondie. 1400—Headlines—Visiting Hour. 1500—Headlines—German Lesson. 1505—Strike up the Band. 1530—On the Record. 1530—Music We Love. 1700—Headlines—Showtime with Janet Blair. 1715—Canadian Swing Show. 1740—Fly Away Paula. 1755—American Sports News. 1800—World News. 1805—Mark up the Map. 1810—GI Supper Club. 1900—Headlines—Crosby Music Hall. 1930—Ray McKinley Orchestra. 2000—Headlines—Combat Diary. 2015—Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians. 2030—Burns and Allen. 2100—World News. 2105—Soldier and a Song. 2115—Swing Sextet. 2130—Mystery Playhouse. 2170—Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A. 2205—Listen Characters. 2300—Final Edition. Friday, Dec. 8 0755—Sign On—Program Resume. 0800—Headlines—Combat Diary. 0815—Personal Album with James Melton. 0830—Music by Vincent Lopez. 0900—World News. 0905—Songs by The Merry Macs. 0925—A-E-F Ranch House. 1000—Headlines—Morning After (Crosby Music Hall). 1030—Strike up the Band. 1100—Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A. 1105—Duffle Bag.

GIs Learn to Make Bully Beef Just That

AN ALLIED AIRBORNE BASE, Dec. 6—Cooks of the 101st Airborne Division, which landed in Holland Sept. 17, are now attending culinary classes, under a British instructor, to learn how properly to prepare tinned bully beef—the Tommy's field ration. Transportation difficulties in the Arnhem area forced the Americans to exist on British rations—a diet disappointing to paratroopers used to more varied field menus. If cooked properly, the British ration will be more palatable, Maj. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, commanding the 101st, decided. Hence, a cooks' and bakers' school in the field.



"... Clouds of smoke obscured my vision, then, through a rift, I espied the target. I cut loose and hit it dead center. ... It was the toughest game of darts I ever played in an English pub. ..."

# Pearl Harbor Lit Fire in Victory Forge

## The Team...



## Giant U.S. Industry And American Valor Tell the Telling Tale

By Jim Russell

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Dec. 7, 1944.—Shells are running short. Tires are running short. Reconversion plans in U.S. industry, have gone out the window until victory has been won in Europe. President Roosevelt has warned that "everyone on a war job must stick to it." There's still a long, hard road ahead, as Gen. Eisenhower indicated last week when he told the nation:

"To get peace we must fight for it like hell. Let us get down to it."

Nobody knows better the truth in this than the footsloggers in the jungles of the Pacific and the mudholes of Europe, the fighting men of the Navy, the flak-weary fighters of the air, and those workers who have tirelessly produced the greatest mass of implements of war the world has ever seen.

But in the face of the gravity of the moment, looking back over the three years since those 105 Jap planes roared out of the rising sun to wreak death and destruction on Pearl Harbor, the magnitude of the American war effort has been unmatched.

The infamous sneak punch brought a nation together. When Germany and Italy followed with declarations of war four days later, the pattern of Axis ambition was clear. America first went the way of all isolationist groups. Defense industry became war industry. A yawning giant had been aroused. He blew on his knuckles, and prepared to fight.

### U.S. Makes a Comeback

The Axis thought he couldn't fight. They said he was soft, flabby, decadent. He wasn't ready, and in those days of lightning warfare, time was precious. It took years for the Axis to build its might in steel, to plan a war it was waging most successfully. Goering still hammered away at Britain with his Luftwaffe. Rommel was at the gates of Cairo. In the East, Wake, Guam, Bataan, Corregidor, Singapore, the Indies fell under the influence of the "Co-Prosperity Sphere." The blows came thick and fast, but the giant that is the U.S., the nation that Churchill called "the most powerful community in the world," rolled with each punch and came back like a true fighter.

Four months after the crippling blow at Pearl Harbor, when Corregidor was under siege, the U.S. hit, when Doolittle and his raiders bombed Tokyo from the carrier Hornet. Less than a month later, even while Corregidor fell, came the mighty naval blow in the Coral Sea.

The following month, the once haughty Jap Navy again felt the weight of American guns at Midway. And it took another crippling licking off the Philippines two months ago. The U.S. had flexed its military biceps and they felt pretty hard to the enemy. The list of victories is long and impressive: Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Kwajalein, Bougainville, Palau, Leyte, Oran, Casablanca, El Guettar, Palermo, Salerno, Cassino, Rome, Normandy, Brest, Aachen.

The men-in OD, blue and forest green who achieved these successes were the soft, flabby men the Axis expected to fight. They squared off with the tricky and fanatical Japs and beat them at their own game of jungle fighting. They fought fire with fire—returning sneak attacks with sneak attacks. They made scrap piles out of the invincible Panzer divisions, drove the Luftwaffe from the sky, the U-boats from the sea.

On the home front, men and women workers, the same workers who must alleviate the critical shortages of today, reached fabulous heights of production. Eighteen million men and women went into munitions plants, shipyards and other war-production industries, without the need of a prodding universal service law. From U.S. ways and assembly lines streamed an endless line of ships, tanks, planes, guns and ammunition for the forces of America and the United Nations.

### Production Figures Soar

Since Pearl Harbor the workers of America have achieved these astronomical production figures:

- SHIPS: 3,876 merchant vessels; 56,229 warships.
- PLANES: 230,737 of all kinds.
- TANKS AND OTHER COMBAT VEHICLES: 203,085.
- TRUCKS: 1,796,764.
- GUNS: 383,000 pieces of artillery 22mm. and over, excluding rocket launchers and mortars.
- AMMUNITION: 729,000,000 rounds of 22-mm. and over.

In raw materials, 263,750,000 tons of steel ingots were mined and 1,265,193 tons of synthetic rubber produced.

And in the three years they've been-on the job, U.S. workers have lost, through strikes, only 1/10 of one per cent. of all man-hours worked.

From March, 1941, to December, 1944, the nation produced \$26,290,000,000 worth of Lend-Lease materials for the Allies. No better tribute to the power of the U.S. could be paid than Marshal Stalin's:

"The greatest single factor in the winning of this war has been the miracle of American production."

Nobody knows whether the fourth will be America's last year at war. Maj. Gen. Albert Wedemeyer, U.S. commander in China, looks for it to last through 1946. No matter how soon, how long, the job remains a large one and a tough one. But of its record in the first three years, the U.S. has nothing of which to be ashamed.

### Highlights of Success

- 1942
- APRIL 18—Doolittle's raiders hit Tokyo.
- MAY 4-8—Coral Sea battle. Japs lose 11 ships, 12 damaged. U.S. losses: three.
- JUNE 4—Midway attacked by Japanese. They are repulsed with loss of four carriers, three destroyers.
- JULY 22—Battle begins for New Guinea. Japs attempt landing at Port Moresby.
- AUG. 7—Guadalcanal campaign opens; Marines establish beachhead.
- NOV. 7—Landing in North Africa.
- NOV. 12-15—Solomons Islands sea battle. Twenty-eight Japs ships sunk.
- 1943
- JAN. 27—First daylight raid on Germany.
- FEB. 14—Mopping up on Guadalcanal.
- MARCH 3—Battle of Bismarck Sea; Japs lose 22 ships.
- MARCH 19—El Guettar falls to Americans.
- MAY 12—African campaign ends with mopping up on Cape Bon Peninsula.
- MAY 18—Landing in Attu; first American soil regained.
- JULY 9—Landing in Sicily.
- SEPT. 3—Invasion of Italy; signing of armistice with Badoglio government.
- 1944
- MAY 18—Fall of Cassino.
- JUNE 4—Fall of Rome.
- JUNE 6—D-Day.
- JULY 25—Breakthrough at St. Lo.
- AUG. 16—Allied invasion of southern French coast.
- AUG. 23—Liberation of Paris.
- SEPT. 12—Americans cross German border.
- OCT. 19—MacArthur returns; invades Philippines.
- OCT. 20—Fall of Aachen.
- NOV. 20—Fall of Metz.
- NOV. 24—Superforts raid Tokyo for first time.
- NOV. 25-27—Jap Navy smashed in battle off Philippines.

## ...Its Victories



# Gunner Looks for Showdown with Japs

By Paul V. Connors  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

303rd BOMB GROUP, Dec. 6—Three years ago tomorrow, Sgt. Edward L. Barreau, 29, of New York City, was manning a machine-gun at the White House when the Japs threw their sneak punch and we went to war.

Today Barreau handles a little less prosaic job. He's waist gunner on a Flying Fort, his complete, 26 missions on a lead ship, has four to go to get the covered DFC and, as he puts it, "the extra deuce that goes with it each month."

The sergeant wants the honors, wants a trip back to the States and after that a crack at the Japs. He has his eyes on a "seat" in a B29. He has an old score to settle with the Emperor's boys.

Six-foot, 200-pound Barreau is an old Army man. He started with the 31st Infantry Regiment when he was 18. That's the outfit the Japs cut up so badly in the Philippines during their initial successes.

Knows the Army  
Barreau knows the Army. He was a platoon sergeant in a rifle company of the 31st. Then he was transferred to Washington, where he chaperoned for army big-wigs, was a courier handling secret documents and when war broke out and someone thought the White House might be attacked, manned a machine-gun at the capital.

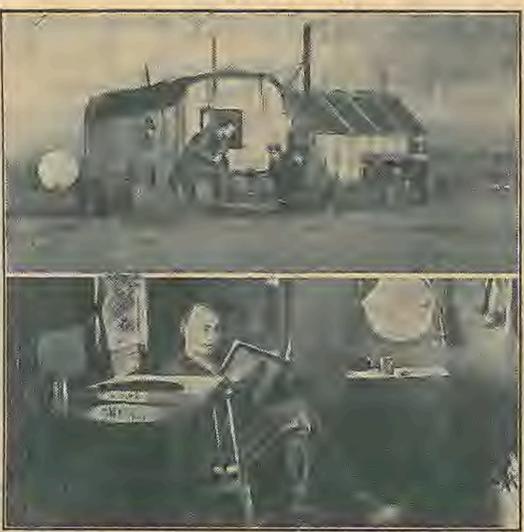
From machine-guns he went to photo intercepting for the Air Force in March of '43, coming to the ETO a few weeks later. Restless in January this year, Barreau asked for a combat job and got it. His luck was good until he went on his 25th mission, when he had to bail out of a Bouncing plane over England.

Broke Both Ankles  
"With soft fields on either side I had to pick a hard surfaced road to come down on," said "Bart," recalling the jump which made him a member of the Caterpillar Club. "I broke both ankles."

The injury kept him in a hospital for five months. Last week he was back in action. His 26th mission was no picnic. He went to Mersburg the day 56 bombers were knocked down. He'd like to get in one more ground support job before he completes his missions.

"Those doughboys are doing a helava job," said Barreau. "We guys in the Air Corps appreciate their rough assignment. We get a kick out of dropping the kind of bombs that knock out Jerry soldiers. Every Kraut we knock off makes the infantry's job that much easier—though 'easier' probably isn't the right word."

## Luxury, GI Style



It's not a Nissen hut shown above, but this three-room shack is typical of the built by GIs from salvaged material to keep out the rain and shelter ground crews near their Liberator bombers. Pictured left to right are M/Sgt. Bernard A. Carver, of Springfield, Ill.; M/Sgt. Rudy Romshak, of New Athens, Ohio; and Sgt. Floyd L. Brossard, of Redondo Beach, Cal. Below, Carver, a B24 crew chief, relaxes after a busy day.

Retaining personal possessions under combat conditions is a challenging problem, returning veterans say. Even false teeth go astray, some blown out by concussion from exploding shells, others mislaid in hurried packing of battle gear. Capt. Ralph Spiro, of So. Pasadena, Cal.,

## Ward Notes: Putting Teeth in Attack...

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ODDS AND ENDS: When better vehicles are named, Pfc Joe Chesley, of Coolidge, Ill., and 316th Station Hospital, will name them. His best nickname yet is one he hung on a beat-up Dodge. "Son of a Bilib."

Sgt. George Lindblad, of Windsor, Colo., and 1st Medical General Laboratory, has the job to end all jobs. He supervises the breeding of guinea pigs, rats, mice and rabbits used for research work in U.K. hospitals.

S/Sgt. M. Java, now in a General Hospital, got it when a bullet went through his helmet, grazing left eye and ear, finally wounding him in the hand.

In a shop build of glider crates, wounded men at 15th Hospital Center regain strength in their fingers and wrists by cleaning and repairing spark plugs for the Air Force.

who makes dental replacements at the 101st Army General Hospital, commented:

"The wounded men who come to our clinic have reported so many lost dentures that I am beginning to believe the road from Cherbourg to the front must be paved with them."

Return of the wounded from battle-fronts leads to a surprising number of family reunions. At a general hospital brother and sister met for the first time in two years when 2/Lt. Stephanie Misak, Army nurse, visited brother Bruno, of Meriden, Conn., a private and artilleryman wounded in France.

Pvt. George Lay, of Carlisle, Pa., hit by shrapnel in France, is recovering at the same general hospital where his uncle, A. L. Howard B. Reed, of Rockford, Ill., commands the medical detachment. And when Pfc Herbert Hartzler, a glider infantryman from West Liberty, Pa., got it in Germany, his cousin, Maj. Adrian Hartzler, of Wooster, O., removed the shrapnel at 318th Station Hospital.

Unions are effected, too. Three months after entering 160th Station Hospital, S/Sgt. Harry C. Howard, of San Francisco, married the girl who nursed him back to health—2/Lt. Pearl Koban, of Alliquippa, Pa.

An English liaison officer with the 52nd Troop Carrier Wing, Capt. Burns Duhie, has found that he's a man without a country. After serving eight months with the Americans he returned to his former British outfit for a visit, only to be dubbed "that damn Yankee" because of his acquired GI slang. Now he's in the peculiar position of being called a "Limy" by the Americans and a "Yank" by the British.

D-Day Vet  
S/Sgt. Arthur M. McDowell, of Delphi, Ind., stationed at 10th Station Hospital, recently received a letter stamped: "Kindly notify correspondent of correct military address." The uninformed correspondent was the War Department.

S/Sgt. Richard M. Barley, of Washington Boro No. 1, Pa., patient at 101st General Hospital, was buried up to his neck in a shower of dirt when an enemy atomic charge blew up a trench near Brest, rescued by a Nazi soldier, then turned around to capture his rescuer.

Barley says he was caught between two squads in a communication trench and left unharmed as the squads extracted all the men they could before moving on. Shortly after, a German sauntered up the road, dug him out, made his prisoner and helped him walk to where he could get medical attention.

Pvt. John F. Wells Jr., of Mapleton, Me., BAR man wounded in France and recovering at a general hospital, has indelible recollections of the bravery and kindness of French people.

"I'll always remember one intrepid, silver-haired old lady," he said. "While pinned down by 88 fire, we watched her blithely cross the field with a large pitcher in her arms. She smiled at us and talked in French while we drank good, fresh

milk. Then she returned to her farm-house, with cool disdain for anything the Heines could toss over."

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

**DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS**  
1/Lt. Louis A. Haley, Arlington, Va.; Thomas J. Gannon, Charlotte, N.C.; Raymond L. Kline, Saginaw, Mich.; Sol Rosenbaum, Brooklyn, Robert H. Taylor, Cincinnati; Donn G. Thompson, Shawneetown, Ill.

**AIR MEDAL**  
Capt. Norman R. Crosson, Cincinnati; 1/Lt. Billy Patton, Oklahoma City.

**PURPLE HEART**  
1/Lt. Herman C. Park, Canton, Conn.; 2/Lt. Lewis M. Howard, West Chester, Ohio; 1/Sgt. Raymond Marks, West Chester, Ohio; 4/Sgt. Richard Davis, Memphis, Mo.; Thomas Sheridan, Union City, N.J.; Walter Wickham, Berkeley, Cal.

**LEGION OF MERIT**  
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# U.K. Ground Forces: Unit-News 50% Yours

Our message in the last issue of the unit-news supplement, titled "Doldrums in the PRO," caused a bit of a stir. Consequently, there has been a flood of material coming into the office. That message served its purpose. It was not made clear, however, that the message was directed mainly to the PROs and unit correspondents of ground force outfits who are in the minority as compared to USAAF personnel who dominate the U.K. scene. Frankly, we want to make the unit-news supplement of ten columns a 50-50 proposition—five columns for air force doings and five columns for ground force goings-on. So, once again, we must point out to the ground forces—infantry engineers, quartermasters, medics, signal corps, et al.—that it's you we want to hear from more often.

# 486th Bomb Group AF, Soldiers Swap Notes

486th BOMB GROUP, Dec. 6—Airmen and infantrymen are learning each other's problems at this Fortress base where each unit is being served as guides. Frequently the tours have had to be lengthened after the foot-sloggers and air force GIs got involved in comparisons of their different battle experiences.

Two combat fliers, 1/Lt. Paul J. Freese, of Quincy, Ill., and 2/Lt. George F. Wagon, of St. Paul, Minn., serve as guides. Frequently the tours have had to be lengthened after the foot-sloggers and air force GIs got involved in comparisons of their different battle experiences.

Said 1/Sgt. Winfred H. Wade, of Russell Springs, Ga., an infantry platoon sergeant, "The places really give us swell interference over there. Nobody can say that the air force boys don't do a thorough bombing job."

"It wasn't until we visited this bomber base," said Pfc George H. Kerr, of Cleveland, another infantryman, "that we realized it was teamwork which is really winning the war."

No one can tell 2/Lt. Henry B. Rapp, of Pittsburgh, that the air war isn't tough. After his Fort Happy Valley Headache was struck by another plane in the formation while over Germany, he brought it back with the rudder and most of the vertical fin sheared away. A few days later, while flying another bomber, he and his crew were forced to bail out into the Allied lines when the aircraft was disabled by enemy ground fire.

At a U.S. Base Air Depot a gyro-compass was the 200,000th instrument repaired in ten months. The instrument, which was used to fill an emergency requisition, was accepted from instrument repairmen by the depot commander, Col. John G. Moore, of Los Angeles, Cal., who sent it to a front-line outfit.

At another depot officers allotted what they thought was a minimum of 15 days to assemble 50 Piper Cubs. GIs, under the direction of 1/Lt. Henry T. Gumpel, of East Hartford, Conn., assembled them in five days and on the sixth they put five more together.

A father and son, both ASC GIs, were reunited recently at a depot when Sgt. Llewellyn Kennedy, a former Flint, Mich., mailman, came to England from his base in Iceland and spent a month with his son Donald, a private.

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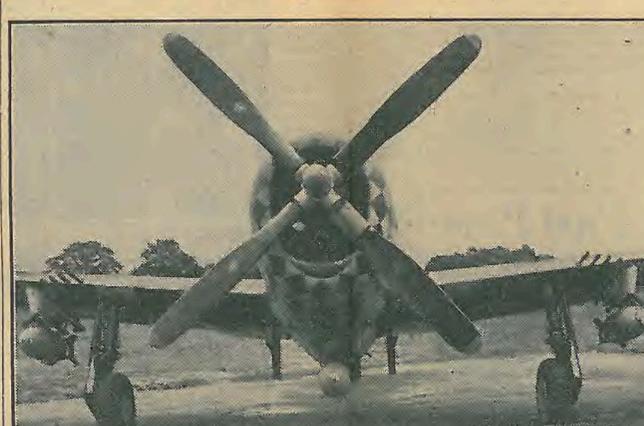
# GI's Prepare a P47 Thunderstorm for Nazis



Caution, speed and care are watchwords when 500-pounder is transferred to bomb-lift cradle. Sgts. Carl Trabin, Philadelphia, and Bill Woods, Baltimore, work bar hook for S/Sgt. Rufus Blocker, Birmingham, Ala., and Cpl. Earl Haley, Lynchburg, Va.



Up she goes as Trabin pumps foot pedal on bomb lift. Blocker guides load into position as T/Sgt. Clarence Parton, Henryetta, Okla., holds bomb-lift steady.



Here's the Thunderbolt ready and ready to give Nazis a dose of HE.

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# Surgery on the Double-Twins Form O.R. Team

58TH GENERAL HOSPITAL, Dec. 6—Identical twin sisters, 2/Lts. Lois E. and Muriel J. Thrall, of Indianapolis, Ind., are nursing wounded soldiers back to health in the surgical section here.

Muriel is on duty with the anesthesia section, while Lois is a surgical scrub nurse, assisting on operations.

"Most of the work done here is neuro-surgery," Lois explained. "Through expert surgery many men will regain the use of limbs in which nerves have been injured."

Lois entered the Army in July, 1943, and Muriel followed in November. Both served at an Air Transport Command base in Long Beach, Calif., until they joined this unit in February.

# Air Service Command Cited for Aid To Lost Men

HQ. AIR SERVICE COMMAND, Dec. 6—Working night and day on problems that hampered the work of P47 pilots in dropping food to the men of the Seventh Army's famous "lost battalions," Capt. Leo Vanderhove, ASC armament officer and former bombardier, devised a guide to guide pilots in hitting their targets through thick fog, it has been revealed.

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Vanderhove has been commended by Maj. Gen. Hugh J. Knerr, ASC chief in Britain, for his untiring work. He also is the inventor of the "bomb cluster adaptor," a device which doubles and sometimes triples the load of small and medium bombs carried by U.S. deports.

Santa Claus will arrive at an ASC depot in a Fortress with bomb bay full of toys for 500 British orphans whom officers and EWs will entertain at a Christmas party Dec. 23. Most of the toys were made from salvaged aircraft material.

ASC mechanics at three depots in England smashed maintenance records this week.

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# Morning Report: That Cold Acquaintance

Interest in an item The Stars and Stripes carried concerning WACs who made Long Johns for their dog-ears caused a bit of embarrassment for one GI.

"I was in London seeing a certain little blonde," he writes, "and in the course of the evening happened to mention the article to her. I didn't pay any more attention to it until today when our squadron received about five bags of mail."

I found I had one little package. I proceeded to open it and found a first-aid kit."

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# Airborne GI Ben Hur Cuts Ammo Shortage

By Bob Krell  
Stars and Stripes Special Correspondent

50TH PARACHUTE INF. REGT., Dec. 6—"Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition" got a literal interpretation during the fighting in Normandy when Cpl. Fred Haviland, of Kendallville, Ind., mortar man with this outfit, became separated from both mortar and unit in the battle for St. Mer Eglise.

Following the sound of battle, he came to a turn in the road leading to town, where he beheld Germans encamped behind a hedgerow on the high side of the road, pinning down a parachute unit behind a hedgerow on the lower side of the road. At the far end of the road were

several boxes of M-1 ammunition, but the Yanks were hemmed in so tightly the best they could do was send occasional runners to bring it up by hand.

Haviland also saw a dilapidated German cavalry cart standing by the road, two unimpressed horses hitched up. He led the team to the ammunition boxes, loaded the wagon, and took off.

Small arms fire ricocheted off the ancient cart. The Krauts threw every thing at him, but Haviland never stopped longer than it took to kick off three or four boxes to his needy buddies.

When it was over Haviland took an inventory. The cart was like a piece of GI Swiss cheese—all holes and no cheese; the brakes needed relining, and Haviland himself was miraculously untouched.

For the feat he got the Certificate of Merit to add to his Expert Combat Infantry Badge and Presidential Unit Citation.

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# Air Force Notes: Here's One GI Who Can Make Officer Say "Uncle"

"I'm your uncle, sir," said Cpl. Bill Miller, of Spokane, Wash., 23-year-old Liberator mechanic, to Lt. Col. Charles O. Jones, of Portland, Ore., 27-year-old deputy group commander of the 35th Fighter Group. "Glad to meet you, sir."

"Nice meeting you, too, uncle," said the colonel. "But I think that with your nephew you can skip the 'sir' stuff for now."

They recently had their first get-together at the Mustangs base where Jones is second in command. Miller is married to the sister of Jones' father.

1/Sgt. Richard C. Hosmer, Fortress gunner from Middletown, Conn., in the 34th Bomb Group, has completed 74 consecutive combat missions in the ETO and hopes to reach the century mark before taking time out.

"People will probably think I'm crazy," Hosmer says, "but I actually enjoy the excitement of combat flying."

Twice in one week 2/Lt. Raymond E. Austin, Fort pilot from Sixteen, Mont., in the 34th Bomb Group, flew his four-engine bomber across Germany on two engines.

A burst of flak during an assault on a tank factory at Kassel knocked out two engines and punctured his gasoline tanks, but Austin brought the Fort over France and on to a RAF fighter strip there.

Several days later over the railroad yards at Ludwigshafen flak again knocked out two engines. The bomber dropped to low altitude and struggled behind its formation, but Austin got it back across the North Sea and home.

Many pilots now flying P47s with the 56th Fighter Group being as members of the infantry, cavalry, armored force and other branches of the service.

Capt. Fred B. McIntosh, of Oakland, Cal., and 1/Lt. Kenneth L. Smith, of Piqua, Ohio, served with the infantry; 1/Lt. George W. Wilson, of Euclid, Ohio, and 2/Lt. Richard B. Hale, of Santa Monica, Cal., served with the cavalry; 1/Lt. Thomas Guerrero Jr., of Los Angeles, armored force; 1/Lt. William E. Bour, of Cleveland, and Eugene Beason, of Granite City, Ill., signal corps; and 2/Lt. Edward F. Franza, of Hartford, Conn., medic. 1/Lt. David F. Doocy, of Ionia Island, N.Y., was formerly in the Navy.

Pfc Alfred D. Nelson, of Minneapolis, is one guy who blows hot and cold and never gives a damn about the weather in the U.K. Nelson is an aircraft mechanic whose job is to fit bronze valve guide bushings into engine cylinders.

First he reaches into an oven where the cylinders are expanded at 400 degrees Fahrenheit. Then he picks up a valve guide which has been contracted in the same temperature.

The hot and cold treatment make for a perfect "pinch fit" setting, allowing easy installation of the guide into the cylinder.

Flying one of six Mustangs purchased by boys and girls of Bloomfield, N.J., through their \$475,000 subscription to the Fifth War Loan Drive, 1/Lt. Frank M. Stowell, Jr., of Prospect Plains, N.J., and the 339th Fighter Group, shot down a Me109 on his first mission.

SHORT-SHORTS: WAC Pfc Gladys E. Comly, of Morrisville, N.J., and Cpl. L. A. Patch, of Lisle, Ill., both stationed at Eighth Air Force headquarters, were married recently. 2/Lt. Arthur H. Gerow, of Cincinnati, in the 56th Fighter Group, scored a double-kill on his first mission over France, over Germany, shooting down two FW190s.

S/Sgt. Maurice J. Maheu, ball turret gunner from Lawrence, Mass.; S/Sgt. meeting again, they shipped to the ETO, landed on the same beachhead in France, fought at St. Lo, were injured after the town was taken, and, after recovering, laid a grand reunion at a replacement depot in England. But after a few days, each got orders, so they said goodbye for the second time, only to wind up in the same company, platoon and section with a 195th Chemical Depot unit.

The torch of a former welder who continued to ply his trade in the Army played a large part in keeping "em rolling" during the invasion of the Continent. The welder, Sgt. Richard Minutello, of Jersey City, led a crew of men who set up the first vehicle assembly line in the ETO at a U.S. Army General Depot.

Inasmuch as the monorial system, Minutello and his men put together 6,000 vehicles by D-plus-90, all of them having been disassembled for shipment to the ETO.

FOOTNOTES: Maj. Owen D. Barker, former member of a Galveston, Tex., law firm, has been appointed to serve on the three-man U.S. Army Claims Commission of the U.K. Base. Commission is highest authority in the U.K. for the review of claims against the U.S.

Sgt. Vroman, of Portland, Ore., cashier with 109th Finance Disbursing Section, says he feels like an international bank clerk exchanging foreign currency for wounded soldiers returned from the front.

Sgt. Paul Engelhart, of Cincinnati, has served the Army Expert Mechanic Medal for installing equipment to operate American machinery on English current at an Army Supply Depot.

As chief warehouseman in a chemical warfare supply depot, Sgt. Frank Nagay, of Johnston, Pa., has helped in equipping over 200,000 fighting troops with the latest defensive items.

The crewmen and ground mechanics of an unnamed veteran Lib finally named their bomber, The YMCA Flying Service, in honor of a British three-engine Lib which has served their base for more than a year. The B24, piloted by 1/Lt. Mitchell E. C. Bouschman, Sgt. W. J. Brewer, Sfc. L. B. Bouschman, and Sfc. L. C. Bouschman.

Other members of the crew are: 2/Lt. Edmund E. Kress, Racine, Wis., co-pilot; Charles A. Giffley, Racine, Wis., co-pilot; Paul G. Giffley, Racine, Wis., co-pilot; and James E. Mace, Sheridan, Mo., co-pilot.

The maintenance GIs are: 1/Sgt. Harold L. Deity, Londonderry, N.Y., crew chief; Sgt. Arthur R. Tompkins, Nevada, and Cpl. Harry L. Worman, Kansasville, Ind., and Henry H. Salomon, of Johnston, Pa., has helped in equipping over 200,000 fighting troops with the latest defensive items.

Men honored were:

1/Lt. Edwin C. Schreiber, of Detroit, Mich., and Capt. Edwin P. Reed, Sr., of Iowa, La. and F/Os Robert Oppenheim, of Schenectady, N.Y., and Wade Hampton, of Toronto, Canada.

T/Sgt. Michael J. McBride, of Jersey City, N.J., and Capt. Evelyn L. Libby, of Gardiner, Me., an Army nurse, who have known each other for 11 years, were married recently. Pfc. Daniel A. Connor, also of Jersey City, was best man and 1/Lt. Hazel Johnson, an Army nurse, was maid of honor.

Requires for marriage to a British subject, the first sergeant of the 1120th MP Co. told the soldier his fiancée would have to acquire in front of the CO. The soldier reflected on this for a moment, then replied: "If she does, by God, I'll kill both of them."

# With the Navy 20 LTC Men Cited For Work on D-Day

For outstanding work on D-Day, 20 men of an LCT flotilla received citations recently at a Navy base on the south coast of England. The number of awards was one of the largest ever given to an LCT flotilla. The decoration of every member of the crew of the LCT 335, which led the first wave of craft to land in France, is considered a singular event in Navy history.

# Once Over Lightly

By Andy Rooney

NEW YORK, Dec. 6—There was a small sad note in a few papers yesterday about a freshman who quit school. The freshman was no ordinary freshman. He was the world's fastest and he played football for Illinois this year. Claude "Buddy" Young, the notice said, quit Illinois to go abroad with a USO sports tour. The rumor is that the 18-year-old Negro boy will hit London, Paris and Cairo on his tour with other athletes.



BUDDY YOUNG

Probably Young would have been drafted before he had a chance to become one of America's football greats at Illinois, but he went so far in that direction this year that followers of the intercollegiate sprint champion are sorry to see him leave school. Buddy, National AAU 100 and 220 champion, is credited with a 9.4 hundred and track teammates claim an unofficial 9.3 for him. He is one of the really great sprinters who ever risked his legs on the football field.

If people don't stop guessing on the possible successor to the late baseball czar Kenesaw Mountain Landis, someone will hit the right answer. Recent suggestions include Jim Farley, Fiorello Guess Who, Dan Parker, Babe Ruth, Frank Walker, present postmaster general, and J. Edgar Hoover. Think of anyone they missed? Truth of the matter apparently is that despite the Dec. 13 conference "To talk over a possible successor," the leagues probably will wait a full year before making a choice.

Right on top of Sammy Baugh's great game against the Giants Sunday in which the Redskins were defeated despite the completion of 25 of 35 of Baugh's passes. Greasy Neale, Eagle coach, yesterday told football writers at a meeting that Sid Luckman was the greatest passer in the game today. Greasy, as usual, wasn't just popping off. He had a reason for the argument. "You can't rush Luckman," Greasy said. "It takes Baugh several seconds to get set, but no matter how rushed Luckman is he throws them into the basket at any distance."

The War Department has announced that Maurice "Footsy" Britt, former Arkansas All-American who played pro football with the Detroit Lions, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for his "extraordinary heroism" near Camp Morto, Italy, on Jan. 24. Britt thus becomes the first man in this war to win the Army's three highest awards. An infantry officer, Britt won the Silver Star, the Army's third highest award, for heroism at Acerno in Sept., '43, when he single-handedly knocked out a machine-gun nest and lead his company in to attack an enemy position, and two months later he won the Congressional Medal of Honor, the nation's highest military decoration, for almost single-handedly stopping a German counter-attack near Mount Rotundo. GIs have named a highway on the Anzio beachhead after the brilliant former grid star.

**QUESTION BOX:** To Cpl. P. K. Thomas—Jerry Dalrymple was a universal All-America choice for end in 1930 and '31. . . . To Cpl. Arthur Ellis Jr.—The hundred record is 9.4 and is held jointly in the official record book by Jesse Owens, Frank Wykoff, Clyde Jeffrey, George Simpson and Harold Davis. Charlie Parker, a 17-year-old, has hit the mark twice, and he probably will be added to the official list. Arne Andersson holds the mile record at 4:01.6. He's all alone. . . . To S/Sgt. H. LaBoda—Rutgers won the Oct. 14 game with Lehigh, 19-6.

## Army-Navy Tilt Souvenirs Marked 'Made in Japan'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6—It was disclosed today by Rep. Anderson (R-Cal.) that souvenir footballs sold outside Baltimore Municipal Stadium before the Army-Navy football game Saturday were marked "Made in Japan."

Anderson wanted to know how come and what organization or individual had the "intestinal fortitude" to peddle such merchandise. "Let's start another scrap drive," Anderson said, "and dump all such souvenirs into it."

## Madison Square Garden 1944-45 Basketball Slate

NEW YORK, Dec. 6—Here's the complete schedule of double-header basketball contests arranged for Madison Square Garden fans this winter:

Dec. 9—Brooklyn vs. West, Michigan. LIU vs. Valparaiso.

Dec. 13—St. John vs. Utah. NYU vs. Oklahoma A & M.

Dec. 16—CCNY vs. Arkansas. St. Francis vs. Muhlenberg.

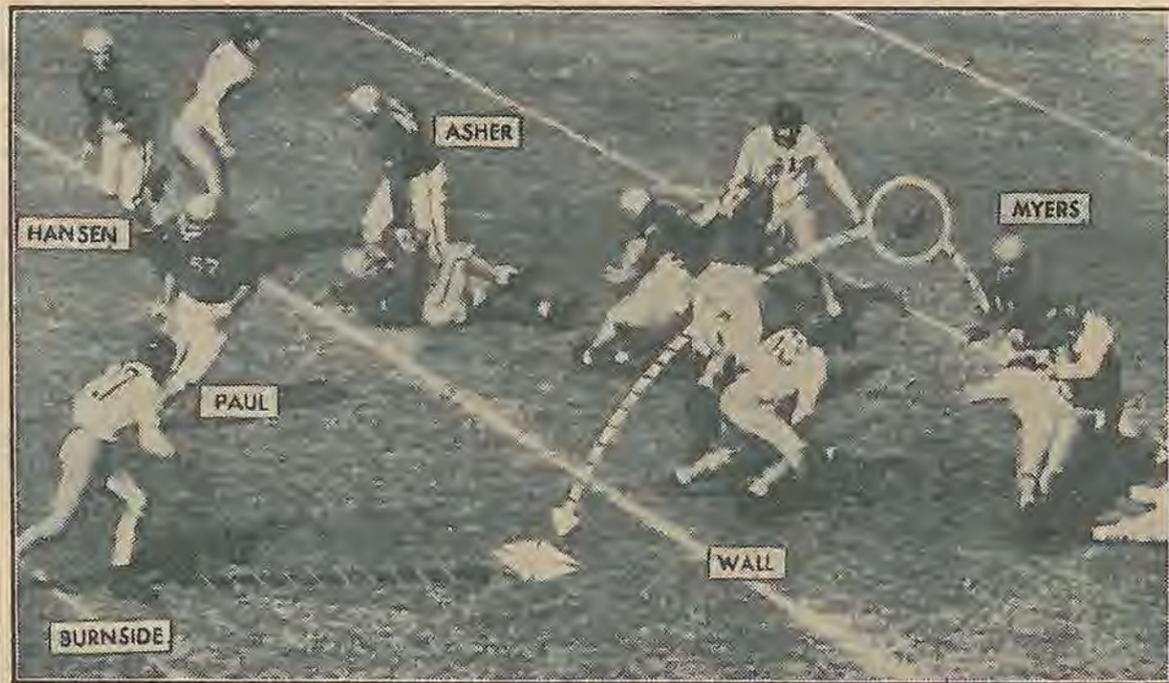
Dec. 23—LIU vs. DePaul. St. John's vs. Puerto Rico.

Dec. 25—NYU vs. Tennessee. Brooklyn vs. West, Kentucky.

Dec. 28—LIU vs. Wyoming. CCNY vs. Hamline.

Dec. 30—NYU vs. Colgate. St. John's vs. Dartmouth.

## Fumble Leads to Southern Cal Score



Tackled hard on his own 35-yard line, Fullback Jack Myers of UCLA fumbles the ball on this first quarter play against Southern California. Don Burnside, extreme left, pounced on the ball on the 47-yard line, and ten plays later the Trojans scored their first touchdown. Trojans won, 40-13.

## Eagles Promise to Give Maulers Tough Fight in White City Tilt

94TH BOMB GROUP, Dec. 6—It would pay Moore's Maulers, 12th Replacement Depot gridiron eleven, not to be overconfident when they visit White City Stadium Sunday as they will run into an unpublicized foe in the Fighting Eagles, but a grid-squad that will give the best of them trouble.

Not boasting the Maulers' string of nine victories, the Eagles nevertheless have a record of having been scored on only once in four contests, three of which they won, the other going to a tie. Their record shows 36 points against their opponents' six, and they gained a close 3-0 decision over the Hellcats, the team that held them to a scoreless tie, in a return game.

## Sporting News Names Eleven

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 6—Don Whitmire, Navy tackle, polled more votes than any one else in The Sporting News All-America football poll revealed today by the national sports weekly.

The team was another of those "true to form" elevens with Les Horvath of Ohio State, Bobby Jenkins of the Navy and Glenn Davis and Felix Blanchard of the Army making up the backfield.

Bill Willis of Ohio State is teamed up at the other tackle spot with Whitmire. Jack Dugger of Ohio State and Phil Tinsley of Georgia Tech are at the ends, Ben Chase of Navy and Ralph Serpico of Illinois handle the guard berths, and John Tavener of Indiana is the center.



DICK DEEMS

## Wright No Match For Willie Pep

CLEVELAND, Dec. 6—Willie Pep, recognized by the New York athletic commission as featherweight champ, won a ten-round decision over Chalky Wright before a crowd of 13,000 here last night.

The bout was the third Pep triumph over Wright, who was outclassed last night as Pep took nine of the ten rounds. Wright landed only one solid blow and that was in the fifth, when he drew blood and won the round. In the eighth Pep cut Wright's eye and drove him across the ring.

Ike Williams, of Trenton, ranked as the logical contender for Juan Zurita's lightweight title, slugged out a decision over Lulu Constantino in the semi-final.

## Wes Ferrell to Manage Carolina Loop Team

GREENSBORO, N.C., Dec. 6—Wes Ferrell, veteran major league pitcher, has been signed to manage the Greensboro Club in the Class C Carolina League. Ferrell, who set a major league record with 20 victories in each of his first four years with the Cleveland Indians, was always one of the best hitting pitchers in baseball and played occasionally in the outfield. He will do so with Greensboro.

## Green '45 Army Captain

WEST POINT, N.Y., Dec. 6—John Green, 20-year-old guard from Shelbyville, Ky., has been elected captain of the 1945 Army football team by a vote of this year's national championship varsity. Green is a five-foot 11-inch 195-pounder.

## Canucks Rap Bruin Six, 4-1

BOSTON, Dec. 6—Toe Blake scored two goals and an assist here last night to take over the National Hockey League

## Hockey League Standings

Team	W	L	T	P	Team	W	L	T	P
Montreal	11	4	1	23	Boston	6	8	1	13
Toronto	10	5	0	20	New York	2	7	3	7
Detroit	7	4	2	16	Chicago	2	10	1	5

scoring lead as the Montreal Canadiens strengthened their grip on first place in the loop by defeating the Boston Bruins, 4-1.

Blake talked on a pass from Elmer Lach in the first period, got another in the second period and was credited with an assist on Maurice Richards' goal in the third chapter, while Dutch Hiller pushed home the other Canadian tally. Herb Cain netted the lone Boston goal.

## Leading Ice Scorers

Player	Team	G	A	TP
Blake	Montreal	13	13	26
Cowley	Boston	9	16	25
Lach	Montreal	4	17	21
C. Smith	Chicago	6	14	20
Bodnar	Toronto	4	16	20
Richmond	Montreal	15	5	20
Mosienko	Chicago	11	8	19
Howe	Detroit	5	14	19
Schnrer	Toronto	11	6	17
Carr	Toronto	8	9	17

## CAGE RESULTS

Bainbridge Naval 70, Newcastle FC 28  
 Bowdoin 51, Brunswick Naval Air 31  
 Brooklyn College 65, Webb Institute 35  
 DePauw 51, Indiana 50  
 Ellis Island Coast Guard 68, Fort Adsworth 22  
 Geneva 65, Carnegie Tech 35  
 Iowa Pre-Flight 40, Ottumwa Naval 32  
 Oklahoma A and M 46, Phillips U. 37  
 Purcell Navy Gunners 39, Oklahoma 33  
 Rhode Island State 65, Case 57  
 Richmond AB 42, Duke 32  
 Saint John's 49, Montclair Teachers 23  
 Wesleyan 48, Connecticut 43  
 Westminster 85, Slippery Rock 33

## Two 'Black Sox' Picked by Cobb On All-America

GLENBROOK, Nev., Dec. 6—Tyrus Raymond Cobb, the Georgia Peach, called by many the greatest ball player who ever lived, has finally picked his all-time All-American baseball team. The club includes two players barred for life from organized baseball and one whom he never saw.

The two barred for life are Buck Weaver and Joe Jackson, both of whom bowed out of baseball as a result of the scandal following the World Series of 1919 which the infamous "Black Sox" tossed away to the Cincinnati Reds, and the player whom Cobb selects, although he never saw him play, is Yankee Catcher Bill Dickey, now a lieutenant in the Navy.

Dickey and Mickey Cochrane, who enjoyed his best days with Connie Mack's Athletics, are the catchers on Cobb's team, while Big Ed Walsh and Walter Johnson, the former "Big Train" of the Washington Senators, are the right-handed pitchers and Eddie Plank is picked as the southpaw of the super nine.

**Weaver at Third**  
 "In the infield," Cobb said, "we have George Sisler at first, Eddie Collins at second, Hans Wagner at short—and because we are selecting great ball players regardless of what has happened in the past—Buck Weaver at third."

"In the outfield I have put Joe Jackson in left, Tris Speaker in center and Babe Ruth in right field."

Cobb said he picked Dickey although he never saw the Arkansas Traveller play. However, the record book indicates that Ty may have seen the rangy Yankee receiver perform and not remembered it. In 1928, the year Cobb finished his major league career, Dickey, then 21, played ten games with the Yankees, while Cobb, who was 41 and far from being at his best, played 95 games with the Athletics.

## Fliers, 2nd AF Get Oil, Sun Bowl Bids

NEW YORK, Dec. 6—The unbeaten Randolph Field Fliers and the Second Air Force Superbombers of Colorado Springs, Col., who are scheduled to meet in a "Treasury Bowl" game here Dec. 16, were named today to compete in the Oil Bowl at Houston and the Sun Bowl at El Paso, Tex., respectively on New Year's Day.

The bowl committee at El Paso made the announcement concerning the Bombers after the War Department gave confirmation that the teams would be allowed to play. Opponents for the two great service grid teams have not been named as yet.

## Replacement Quintet Setting Fast Pace

By Ray Lee  
 Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

12TH REPLACEMENT DEPOT, Dec. 6—If the 29th Division Blues' red-hot basketball quintet that burned the courts in the ETO last year were still in the U.K. they would in all probability meet their match or have their hands full with Col. George A. Moore's Maulers, one of the smoothest fives ever to hoop a basket in this theater.

Fielding a first string of five former college courtmen, including Sgt. Bob Prather, of Baldwin, Miss., three-year Alabama basketball and all-conference player for two years, the Maulers, who played under the name of Camp Butler (N.C.) last year, tangled with leading service and university teams in the states, including Norfolk Naval Training Station and Duke. They dropped a heartbreaker to the Blue Devils, 48-42, but clipped North Carolina State College, one of the leading collegiate aggregations last year, 43-38, and Newbury College (S.C.), a team that defeated Duke 42-35.

Aiding Prather on the court are Maj. Gilbert Dailey, former Renowards College player from Harrisburg, Pa.; Maj. Giles Batchelor, team captain and former Presbyterian guard from Augusta, Ga., who also coaches, captains and plays first on the baseball nine, Pvt. Robert Kane, six-foot two-inch Brooklynite and former NYU first-stringer, and T/5 Ernest Scribner, of Auburn, Me., who saw service with Springfield College.

This season Prather has spark-plugged the squad to 17 straight victories and a total of 994 points, for a game average of 58.5 points.

Besides his first-string five, Maj. Dailey, who also coaches the quintet and leads this season's scoring with 144 points, has a reserve of five collegiates, a semi-pro and Sgt. Henry Skurnick, of Chicago, who has 16 years of pro-basketball under his belt, including service with the Cleveland



Stars and Stripes Photo by Murphy

Two Navy players (white shirts) are bottled up under the hoop by Maj. Giles Batchelor, Pvt. Robert Kane (with ball) and Sgt. Bob Prather as the 12th Replacement Depot quintet slapped the sailors, 62-48.

Rosenblooms, world champion Celtics and Chicago Bruins, having played professional since he was 19 years old. They play a running game with a zone defense, using a steady flow of fresh substitutes in wearing down their opponents and a variation of the Eastern "Figure Eight" style of play. "We had a good record last year," said Maj. Dailey, "and we're out for a better one this year. We'll play any of them."

# '44 Records of Nation's Elevens\*

<b>ALABAMA</b> 27-LSU 63-Howard 55-Millsaps 0-Tennessee 41-Kentucky 7-Texas A. & M. 34-Mississippi 19-Miss. State	<b>CORNELL</b> 39-Syracuse 26-Bucknell 7-Yale 12-Colgate 17-Samson Naval 25-Columbia 0-Navy 14-Dartmouth 0-Penn.	<b>KENTUCKY</b> 27-Mississippi 13-Tennessee 0-Mich. State 12-Georgia 26-VMI 0-Alabama 0-Miss. State 40-West Virginia 7-Tennessee	<b>NYU</b> 0-Lafayette 0-Temple 13-Boston College 45-City College 0-Bucknell 0-Swarthmore 13-Bklyn. College	<b>RPI</b> 20-Union 0-Rochester 0-Worcester 27-Union 0-Coast Guard	<b>TULSA</b> 47-No. Texas Aggies 27-Kansas 14-Texas Tech 47-Mississippi 40-Okla. A and M 27-Iowa Pre-Flight 51-Southwestern Nov. 23-Arkansas 48-Miami
<b>ARKANSAS</b> 7-Missouri 0-Okla. A & M 6-TCU 7-Norman Navy 0-Texas 26-Mississippi 7-Texas A. & M. 12-Rice 12-SMU 2-Tulsa 41-Ark. Aggies	<b>DARTMOUTH</b> 6-Holy Cross 6-Penn. 0-Notre Dame 14-Brown 0-Yale 0-Coast Guard 13-Cornell 18-Columbia	<b>LAFAYETTE</b> 39-NYU 7-Syracuse 44-Lehigh 19-Rutgers 34-Ursinus 39-Rutgers 64-Lehigh	<b>NORTH CAROLINA</b> 0-Wake Forest 0-Army 0-Ga. Tech 20-Cherry Pt. Mar. 0-So. Carolina 0-Wm. and Mary 6-Yale 0-Duke 7-Virginia	<b>ROCHESTER</b> 19-Baldwin-Wallace 13-RPI 27-Union 20-Colgate 7-Miami (O.) 19-Oberlin 0-Yale 19-Case	<b>UCLA</b> 13-So. California 0-California 12-San Diego Navy 39-St. Mary's 12-St. Mary's Pre-F. 26-Alameda CG 13-March Fld. 7-California 54-Col. Pacific 13-At USC
<b>ARMY</b> 46-No. Carolina 59-Brown 69-Pitt 76-Coast Guard 27-Duke 63-Villanova 53-Notre Dame 62-Penn. 23-Navy	<b>DUKE</b> 61-Richmond 7-Penn. 7-N.C. Pre-Fl. 0-Navy 7-Army 19-Georgia Tech 34-Wake Forest 34-So. Carolina 33-No. Car.	<b>LEHIGH</b> 0-Lafayette 6-Drexel 6-Rutgers 0-W. Va. 0-Lafayette 6-Rutgers	<b>N. C. STATE</b> 27-Mitigan 13-Virginia 7-Clemson 12-Catawba 7-Wake Forest 19-W. and M. 21-V. M. I. 28-Miami 39-Richmond	<b>ST. MARY'S</b> 7-California 0-Alameda CG 0-UCLA 7-USC 0-Fleet City	<b>UNION</b> 6-R. P. I. 7-Worcester 7-Rochester 0-Columbia
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## Rubber Vital in Home Stretch



Without tires, supplies can't be rushed to the front—and without supplies, doughboys can't advance on the road to Berlin. Here, somewhere in Germany, members of a tire-repair outfit are shown vulcanizing tires hit by shrapnel. U.K. soldiers can do their part in combating the tire crisis, made known by Gen. Eisenhower, by conducting a personal tire-conservation program.

## Save-Tires Drive Opens With Contest for GIs

A campaign to instill in the minds of military personnel in the U.K. the utmost need for tire conservation, in light of Gen. Eisenhower's appeal, began yesterday on the heels of Ike's disclosure that at least ten per cent of all ETO Army vehicles would be tied up by February unless adequate conservation measures were taken immediately.

The campaign, which received the hearty indorsement of Brig. Gen. H. B. Vaughan Jr., commanding the U.K. Base, will include spot announcements over the Armed Forces Network, wide distribution of posters and motion-picture shorts, as well as a letter-writing contest.

Subject of the contest is "Tire Conservation for Victory," and prizes will include a \$100, \$50 and \$25 War Bond. Each commanding officer will run the contest within his unit. Contest officials have suggested that the soldier who writes the best letter in his unit be given a three-day pass or a furlough.

Letters will be limited to 100 words, contest officials announced. They need not be typewritten. Entries should be forwarded to "Tires for Victory," APO 413, U.S. Army. Closing date of the contest is Jan. 6, 1945, and entries post-marked after that date will not be considered.

Amplifying his original tire-crisis announcement, the Supreme Commander stressed the responsibility of all commanders strictly to enforce tire-saving practices. He pointed out that there was no immediate prospect that even minimum tire requirements could be met by American factories, faced with a labor shortage, as well as limited production facilities.

The drive through France and the Lowlands is the basic reason, according to SHAEF, for the impending tire shortage. With French rail facilities wrecked by Allied air assaults, supplies are going mainly by GI truck—and all speed limits are off in the desire to rush supplies to the doughboys. For months supplies had to be trucked hundreds of miles from French beaches.

Ike's appeal came soon after he had completed his extensive inspection tour of the Western Front.

## Tire Neglect, That's the Rub

425TH TIRE REPAIR CO. HQ, Dec. 6—GI mechanics were quick today to suggest how military personnel in the U.K. could help stave off the impending tire shortage, made known with the release of Gen. Eisenhower's letter asking for "drastic conservation" of tires.

At the ordnance base depot here—typical of the many dotting the English countryside—the mechs seemed to agree that the primary "tire killer" was running a vehicle on flats.

Shop foreman Albert Zigon, 22, of Cooperstown, N.Y., stated: "Running on flat tires is the most common tire killer of them all. Every tire we recap means that we have to use a heck of a lot of rubber."

"Neglect" is another reason for tire injury, according to Sgt. Ray Fowdle, 27, of Kansas City, Mo., who said he would rather repair a tire that caught a piece of shrapnel in France "than one which is faulty because of some guy's neglect."

## Watch Your Tires, Vaughan's Plea to U.K.

Gen. Eisenhower's request that ETO military personnel take extra precautions in conserving tires in view of an impending tire shortage was heartily seconded by Brig. Gen. H. B. Vaughan Jr., commanding the U.K. Base.

"The care and conservation of tires is not something that can be accomplished overnight," Vaughan declared yesterday. "It is a continuous process. I urge each of you to become increasingly conscious of the emergency of the situation."

## Ike's Warning and a Plea on Tires

TO ALL OFFICERS AND ENLISTED MEN, EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS: To-day, as our armies exert ever-increasing pressure against the last defensive walls around the German Reich, the importance of bending every effort to hasten the day of victory in Europe is of personal concern to us all. From the top to the bottom of our military structure there is room for but one thought: TO WIN THE WAR.

This is a war of supply quite as much as it is a war of tactics. Furthermore, it is a war which consumes supplies at a terrific rate. While our factories at home produce these supplies, it is up to us to use them wisely and conserve them where possible.

One item of surpassing importance is tires. Tire wear in this Theater has exceeded all pre-combat estimates. As a result, we now are faced with a tire shortage which will, unless drastic conservation steps are taken, deadline ten per cent. of our vehicles by the first week of February.

Care and conservation of tires is based on a few simple rules. Observance of those rules is a clear-cut function of command. In addition, there must be a keen awareness and eagerness on the part of every officer and soldier who rides in or operates a motor vehicle to protect that vehicle's tires for future trips.

I am not exaggerating when I say that the war will be needlessly extended unless we extract every possible mile from our tires and use them only as we find it necessary to do so.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, General, U.S. Army.

### Dick Tracy



By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune

### Li'l Abner



By Courtesy of United Features

### By Chester Gould



By Al Capp

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## ETO SPORTS MIRROR

With Cpl. Richard Gray, former Villanova star from Trenton, N.J., setting the pace with 16 points, the 398th Bomb Group basketball team rolled to a 51-34 victory over the Fighter Group quintet commanded by Col. Everett Stewart Tuesday night. The 398th Group is seeking home games for Tuesday and Thursday nights and will play away any other night in the week. . . . Pfc Vernon E. Morgan, of Toledo, Ohio, slashed off tackle for 15 yards and a touchdown in the second period to give the 78th Fighter Group Greyhounds a 7-0 nod over Terry's Pirates of the 91st Bomb Group.

The 34th Bomb Group captured the finals of the Third Bombardment Division's eight-man football team by defeating the 452nd Bomb Group eleven, 19-0. Cpl. Granville Pierce, of Cross Plains, Tex., intercepted a pass and ran to the first touchdown. Capt. Lester Meisenheimer, former Southern Cal back, passed to Cpl. Pat Kelly, of Indiana, Pa., for the second, and Lt. Pat McKee, of Hyannis, Mass., took a pass and went over for the third. . . . Lt. Ken Jolly, of Ithaca, N.Y., former Cornell captain, and Cpl. Robert Abbot and Robert Maehling, of Terre Haute, Ind., former teammates on the University of Indiana, are among the lads who will be performing in the basketball league recently started at a Troop Carrier base.

Lt. Mike Zaharewich, of Masheth, N.Y., tallied 13 points to lead a Port HQ hoop team to a 39-12 victory in its opening game, while in a curtain-raiser the TC Tornados trounced a colored Port Company team, 74-15.

Life in Those United States

U.S. Secret Weapons To Be Used on Japan

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (Reuter)—Lt. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, chief of the Army Service Forces, announced today that the U.S. was producing secret weapons for use against Japan.



SOMERVELL

Meanwhile, in Washington, the Office of War Information disclosed that America was developing new types of military rockets, but design, range, speed and production figures were not revealed.

At the same time, Dr. George Lewis, director of the U.S. Aeronautical Research office, said the Army and Navy "are investigating the possibilities of planes and guided missiles powered by jet propulsion."

Somervell, addressing the National Association of Manufacturers, said:

"There are new weapons now being made—weapons I cannot tell you about, not yet in use in Europe. Those of you who make them, know them. They must be ready in large quantity for the Pacific pushes."

Summarizing the heavy expenditure of shells, Somervell said 300,000 more workers were needed to bring critical programs up to schedule.

CAPITAL SIDESHOW: The United Mine Workers, headed by John L. Lewis, joined the AFL in declining an invitation to attend the British Trades Union Congress in London in February. The CIO has accepted. . . . WPB told civilians there'd be no match shortage "if you don't waste 'em."

Life Is But a Dream

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 6 (ANS)—Navy Seaman Hayward Buttram dreamed he was scraping the side of a ship—and fell three stories from his hotel window. Later he told hospital attendants that his last job before going on leave was—scraping the side of a ship.

Fly O.U.

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 6 (AP)—A burglar who carried off \$65.04 from the Hotel Commodore left behind a note, "Received from Hotel Commodore, \$65.04 (signed) Thief."

Going-Away Present

OKLAHOMA CITY, Dec. 6 (ANS)—En route to a bus station to buy a ticket for Edmond, Okla., Edward H. Canada was held up and robbed of all his cash. His assailant then took Canada to the station and bought him the ticket.

Cold Disinterest

HYRUM, Utah, Dec. 6 (ANS)—No one was much impressed when a truck overturned and spilled several hundred ice-cream bars across the highway. The accident coincided with the season's first snowstorm.

Felons Quartered With Nazis Seize Building in Protest

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 6 (AP)—Resentful because they had been quartered with German spies and saboteurs, 25 long-term convicts seized the Federal Penitentiary segregation building here today and held four prison officials as hostages. Neither the convicts nor the four prison officials were believed to be armed. James V. Bennett, U.S. director of prisons, who flew here from Washington, said. The officials were still unharmed, he added, as far as he knew. Prison Warden Joseph Sanford said that while he was in the dark on the full cause of the trouble, "some objection had been raised to the quartering of German spies and saboteurs in the same building." He added that the convicts were also "naturally protesting against their own segregation."

Cold Cache

WASHINGTON, Dec. 6—Bob Shipp, a night watchman in a restaurant, believes in being fore-warned. Thieves broke in the other night, locked Shipp in the icebox and then made off with all the cash and whisky in the place. When police released Shipp the next morning, they found him wearing two overcoats, which he kept in the icebox, he said, just in case.

Wishful Thinking

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (ANS)—Mrs. Phoebe Seabrook answered the Volunteers of America's call for women Santa Clauses. Now she's wondering and so is the VA how they're going to "build up" Mrs. Seabrook so she looks like Santa. She stands only five feet and weighs 133 pounds.

Jinx and Pat Praised

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 6 (ANS)—CBI Roundup, GI newspaper in the Far Eastern theater which last month accused Ann Sheridan, Paulette Goddard and other Hollywood stars of "dodging it," today had nothing but praise for Jinx Falkenberg and Pat O'Brien, now on tour here.



JINX FALKENBERG

Miss Falkenberg was called the "sweetie pie of every GI in the CBI," while O'Brien was hailed for his "warm, friendly personal atmosphere" as master of ceremonies.

The Background Was Marvelous, but Not Worth \$400

CHICAGO, Dec. 6 (ANS)—The judge admitted that 19-year-old Ruth Los Bolsnes, of Riverside, "has a marvelous background, is intelligent and mature." But the judge also felt that Miss Bolsnes had "some very sticky fingers"—especially when she pilfered \$400 from a sailor in Union Station.

According to evidence, Ruth "found" the money in her purse after drinking ten cocktails and she "didn't know how it got there."

The judge said he felt Ruth "took the sailor's money." It is a shocking thing, a horrid deed and our armed forces must be protected—even against girls with a marvelous background.

Not a Single Bum Steer

CHICAGO, Dec. 6 (ANS)—Karl Hoffman, of Ida Grove, Ia., scored the first triple victory in Chicago's war-time stock shows when his load of 15 light-weight Hereford steers was adjudged grand champion carlot for the third year running.

Fickle Fingers' Fate

BRISTOL, Conn., Dec. 6 (ANS)—Maybe it is a woman's prerogative to change her mind, but a woman charged with pilfering a dress from a department store was arrested when she brought the garment back and asked that it be exchanged for one which fit.

FBI—Few Better Infantrymen

'Forgotten Bastards of Iceland' Making Selves Remembered

By James McGlinchy

United Press Correspondent  
SHAFF, Dec. 6—One of the hottest outfits now in action is the Fifth Infantry Division, which used to refer to itself, a little ruefully, as the "FBI." The letters didn't stand for J. Edgar Hoover's bureau, but for the Forgotten Bastards of Iceland.

The men who once patrolled the icy, bleak wastes in the North Atlantic and unloaded ships, wondering when they'd get into the war, yesterday reeled off nearly five miles on a broad front inside Germany and today were a grenade's throw from the Saar.

The saga of the Fifth—which with the 95th Infantry Division took Metz two weeks ago—is a story of a great comeback in the Frank Merriwell tradition. A World War I outfit, the Fifth was the first U.S. division to go overseas in World War II, landing in Iceland in late 1941, before Pearl Harbor.

The next two years, say the Fifth doughboys, they'd rather forget—two years when the work was dull, when there

were too few guns to train with and no place to train properly; two years when morale sank low.

Sitting in Iceland, the Fifth wondered what the hell kind of war it was as the North Africa, Sicily and Italy campaigns found them still inactive. Some men amused themselves by issuing each other certificates signifying their membership in the "FBI."

Sailing orders finally arrived in the summer of '43. When they landed in England some of the men kissed the green soil. Others, marveling, murmured, "Gee, trees!"

New morale came with new guns and new vehicles. Maj. Gen. S. Leroy Erwin taught the Fifth to travel faster than armor. Moved to Northern Ireland, the Fifth missed D-Day, but less than a month later sailed from Belfast. And it's never stopped since.

The Fifth spearheaded the Third Army drive across France, sweeping 700 miles and traveling sometimes 70 miles a day.

Two days ago the Fifth crossed the German border—a mighty long way from Iceland.

To the Victor Goes the Spoils



Members of the Third Army's 733rd Railway Battalion work on a twisted rail wrecked by retreating Germans near a French town.

One By One to Victory

Aachen Produces One Hero As Generals Salute Another

By Jimmy Cannon

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE 35TH INFANTRY DIV., Lorraine, Dec. 6—Sgt. James Spurrier admits he was in Aachen that day. If you press him, he will tell you he fired a few rounds at some Germans. Some Germans fired a few rounds at him. But the Pacific was much tougher, and he had been in the Pacific, too.

"It beats me," said Spurrier yesterday. "I was paying no attention to what was coming off in Aachen. Ask them what seen it. I was shooting and ducking and I don't remember much."

The ones who watched him that day say Spurrier, who is a 21-year-old Regular Army man from Blue Ridge, W. Va., took the town with a solitary offensive that lasted eight hours under constant fire.

They counted the dead when he was through and he had killed 25 Germans and captured 18 more, including a lieutenant and a captain. They say he fired weapons he had never seen before, and before the day was over had used a German BAR and our BAR; a German bazooka and a U.S. bazooka and grenades of many types.

"I didn't know how to aim some of them things but I caught on after a while," he said. "My basic weapon is an M1."

"This was not the act of a dumb, brave soldier; every move he made was carefully figured out," said Maj. F. C. Roegner, of Walla Walla, Wash. "I saw him fire the different weapons and I've never seen a cooler or a smarter soldier under fire. He used one weapon until he ran out of ammo and then picked another one and fiddled around with it until he started it going. We would never have taken the town that day without him."

Peers Favor A Peace Draft

A hope expressed by President Roosevelt that the U.S. will adopt universal conscription after the war was cited yesterday in the House of Lords by Lord Mottistone, who was Britain's secretary of war for two years before the last war, as one reason why Britain should adopt a similar system.

The creator of the modern RAF, Lord Trenchard, voiced a view that "some form of compulsory service will be necessary" for Britain after the war. Another peer declared that the compulsory idea was beginning to strike him as more "democratic" than service established on a voluntary basis.

Several members of Britain's upper legislative body said they favored a compulsory period of military training from one to five years, and one member stressed that hereafter Britain should have an army "absolutely trained and ready to the last shoelace."

Hitler-Szalasi Talk Reported by Germans

German News Agency said yesterday that Hitler had conferred Saturday with Ferenc Szalasi, pro-Nazi Hungarian leader, who visited Germany for discussions on mutual problems of both countries.

The German report came after a lull in the rumor machines in neutral countries concerning Der Fuehrer's whereabouts.

Terry and the Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate



By Milton Caniff

German Mines Will Turn Out Coal for Allies

WITH NINTH ARMY, Dec. 6 (UP)—German coal will help the Allies push on to Berlin.

The first deliveries, expected in about a month, will come from Aachen, where all the district mines are now in Allied hands. They produce nearly 8,000,000 tons a year.

SHAEP experts are busy completing plans to begin using Germany's mineral riches to help win the war.

Col. Robert Koenig, an American colliery owner, is in charge of the SHAEP Solid Fuels Department set up to deal with the problem.

Control of the Aachen mines will be vested in officers from SHAEP. It is expected that a number of German executives who disregarded Himmler's orders for the civilians to evacuate the town will work under them. German workers will man the pits.

Two dangers may arise when the mines go into operation for the Allies—sabotage and attempts by German officials to cut production. SHAEP officers are ready to deal with both problems.

Another problem is financing the mines. There will obviously be no cash returns, since all the coal produced will be requisitioned for the Allied armies.

It is expected that money will be advanced by the SHAEP civilian affairs departments and that credit will be established with a German bank as soon as one is set up.

Inspect U.S. Carbines In Death of Briton

Carbines belonging to American troops stationed near Honingham were inspected yesterday by military and civilian authorities as part of the hunt for the weapon which Sunday killed Sir Eric Teichman, former British embassy councillor in Chungking.

Examination of the American weapons was ordered after evidence presented at an inquest showed that the fatal bullet was from a .30-cal. carbine, similar to those used by U.S. troops. Senior American officers attended the inquest.

Teichman was found dead on his estate after he had gone out to catch a suspected poacher.

Self-Defense

NEW YORK, Dec. 6 (ANS)—Broadway's boom theatrical season is not without its headaches for theater managers, faced with a new audience type—the vociferous defense worker. One manager reported he had to throw one out for shouting, "The show stinks," in the middle of a performance.

Red Tape Cut to Beat Stork

34TH BOMB GROUP, Dec. 6—Personal orders from Gen. Eisenhower and the efforts of three other generals and a colonel sped Pfc Albert H. Wolfe, 21, of Shippensburg, Pa., from England to his critically-ill wife in Harrisburg in 17 hours.

An operator of a refueling vehicle servicing Fortresses here, Wolfe received a cable from the Red Cross informing him that his wife, awaiting birth of a baby in an Army hospital, was in a serious condition.

His group commander, Lt. Col. William E. Creer, telephoned Maj. Gen. E. E.

Partridge, Third Bomb Division commander, requesting permission for the soldier to be sent home. Subsequent phone calls forwarded the request to Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, Eighth Air Force commander, then to Lt. Gen. Carl Spaatz, USSTAF commander, and finally to Gen. Eisenhower. Approval was granted within 24 hours.

"Flown immediately from this base to Air Transport Command Headquarters, Wolfe was put on the first available America-bound transport plane, and was reunited with his wife 17 hours later. Doctors said she would recover, but the baby's life could not be saved.