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BERLIN WOMEN CLEAN UP: Chain-gang women help clean up the rubble of war. Those willing to work are paid and eat some better than other Germans. Above, left, they form long lines, passing pails of rubble from a bombed area to a dump at the other end of the chain. At right, a close-up of the chain gang. Below, left, a woman with spade and pails clears away debris from the center of Berlin's business district.



June Shipments Home Exceed Quota by 29,500

By Robert J. Donovan
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

PARIS, July 9—June troop movements to the U.S. exceeded the original quota by about 29,500 men, the rough equivalent of two infantry divisions, Com Z HQ announced yesterday. Early reports on this month's embarkations, the announcement added, indicated that July movements also were running ahead of schedule.

Com Z disclosed that advance units of the 20th Armored Division had arrived at Le Havre and that the entire division, bypassing the Assembly Area Command staging camps near Rheims, would arrive at the port shortly "for a quick trip home" later in July.

This, apparently, represents an advance in sailing date, as a War Department announcement on division shipping schedules Sunday listed the 20th Armored among the units to embark in August.

The Com Z statement said that on June 30 there were 345,654 men in assembly and staging areas. Units were in a state of readiness that would enable any one of them to move with all equipment within 20 days.

Always Plenty Set To Go

"Thus," the statement said, "when it is found that boats can be loaded to more than the scheduled capacity there are always units on hand ready for immediate departure."

Pointing to an important factor in the excess of shipments above quotas the statement added: "Last month ships leaving the Continent were loaded to an average of ten per cent above the rated capacity."

Of itself this ten per cent overload would almost account for the 29,500 increase in the June shipment. The quota originally announced for June was 250,500. The month's shipment, Com Z said, was 280,000. This increased to 396,001 the number of soldiers who have left the ETO since the European war ended. The quota originally announced for July was 265,000.

None of these figures include direct shipments to the Pacific, the scope of which is secret.

Among the chief beneficiaries of June's unexpectedly high shipping totals, Com Z said, were men eligible for discharge and RAMPs. The original June shipping quota for men eligible for discharge was 35,000. The number who left during the month was 41,802. The RAMP quota was 15,000; 32,604 were sent home. "All RAMPs who were not hospitalized have been returned," Com Z said.

Blast Fatal to GI

MARLBOROUGH, England, July 9 (AP)—One U.S. soldier was killed and four civilians and a number of soldiers injured in an explosion at a U.S. ammunition dump in the Savemake Forest near here Saturday.

Red Troops Tear Down U.S. Posters in Berlin

BERLIN, July 9 (UP)—Col. Frank Howley, chief of the military government in the American-occupied zone in Berlin, revealed today that he had recently visited the office of the Soviet deputy commander of the city to lodge a complaint in regard to the "tearing down" by Russian soldiers of proclamations posted by U.S. authorities.

Howley said he advised Gen. Barinov, the deputy commander, that "Russian soldiers had been tearing down proclamations put up by American authorities which warned Berliners of penalties for disobeying occupation laws—laws laid down by SHAEF."

The Colonel said he pointed out that while the posters had been put up by AMG without consulting the Russians, there could be no objection by the Russians to their contents, which were known to the General.

The General, Howley continued, then called up the Russian district colonel and told him to forbid such behavior by his troops.

(The Associated Press reported that U.S. military police in Berlin were preparing a report for the higher command on circumstances whereby a man dressed in a Soviet officer's uniform and armed with a pistol was said to have entered the barracks of the WAC detachment in the German city last Friday night and attempted to molest one of the girls.)

(The man, however, was overpowered by U.S. soldiers, who turned him over to Soviet military authorities. It was indicated he was liable to a prison term of five years under Soviet military law.)

Meanwhile, Marshal Gregory Zhukov, according to the Berlin Radio as reported in London, has ordered the calling in of Soviet currency and bonds of state loans of the Soviet Union, which are not for circulation outside the Russian frontiers. The order requested the local population, private firms and others to surrender the items to military commanders of town and districts by July 15. After that offenders will be tried under martial law.

Seamen Protest Slash in Bonus

NEW YORK, July 9 (ANS)—The National Maritime Union (N.M.U.) voted today to begin picketing as soon as possible at War Shipping Administration offices throughout the nation in protest against proposed reductions in bonuses paid to merchant seamen.

A resolution adopted at the union's fifth biennial convention called for a delegation to go to Washington immediately to "throw a picket line around the offices of Vice-Adm. Emory S. Land," WSA administrator.

Reductions ruled by the Maritime War Emergency Board to become effective July 15 would bring bonuses down to 33 1/2 per cent of base pay in the Atlantic Ocean and in part of the Pacific, and 66 2/3 per cent in all other waters, except the Far Eastern Pacific and part of the Indian Ocean. In the latter, 100 per cent bonuses would be paid, plus \$5 per day.

The base pay of ordinary seamen is 34 1/2 cents per hour without bonuses.

New Corsair Fighter Operating in Pacific

WASHINGTON, July 9 (Reuter)—The U.S. Navy announced today that it had a new Corsair fighter plane operating in the Pacific. The plane—the F4U-4—was described as a composite, improved model of all earlier Corsair designs.

A four-bladed propeller, driven by a 2,100 horsepower Pratt Whitney radial engine, gives the plane tremendous speed and maneuverability. It carries six 50-cal. machine guns in its wings.

Able to operate from carriers both as a fighter and a bomber, the F4U-4's inverted gull-wings enable it to crash-land in the sea without much injury.

New Meeting Due in Berlin

BERLIN, July 9 (AP)—With the "Big Three" meeting expected to begin shortly in the outskirts of Berlin, Allied officials responsible for governing the city will meet Wednesday to iron out the problems affecting nearly 3,000,000 German civilians here.

British Gen. L. O. Lyne posted a terse statement asserting there was "no truth in any statement or rumors that negotiations with the Russians have broken down. A further meeting has been arranged in the very near future to discuss food, coal and military government."

The meeting scheduled for Wednesday will be attended by the Soviet Col. Gen. Gorbatov, U.S. Maj. Gen. Floyd L. Parks and Lyne.

Meanwhile, U.S. Ambassador W. Averell Harriman was expected to arrive from Moscow hourly.

Ask Relaxed Wage Controls

WASHINGTON, July 9 (ANS)—The AFL and CIO last night called on the government to relax wage controls because "the greatest market for American goods is in America." The AFL statement was published in the organization's monthly survey, while the CIO's plea was made by President Philip Murray in a radio speech.

"As American companies stop selling to the government they must at once begin selling to consumers," the AFL said. "There is no other way of keeping industry producing and men at work. American wage and small salaried workers buy 75 per cent of all consumer goods and services."

Murray said that lifting the national income would benefit farmers, merchants and professional people, as well as workers.



YOUNG HERO: Lt. Audie Murphy, 20, of Farmersville, Tex., who holds the Medal of Honor, DSC, Silver Star and Bronze Star, takes time out from mowing the lawn to chat with his girl friend, Mary Lee, 19, of Floyd, Tex. Murphy enlisted as a private in 1942 and fought and rose through the ranks in Africa, Sicily, Italy and France.

Superforts Smack Honshu; 'Mediums' Also Ravage Isles

A "very large" force of Superforts—probably ranging between 400 and 600 planes—bombed five cities on Honshu Island early yesterday, as Mustangs, Liberators and B29s, flying alone or in groups, pounded other targets in the Jap home islands.

Twentieth Air Force Headquarters in Washington announced that incendiary bombs had been showered by the fleet of B29s on Gifu, Sakai, Wakayama, Yokkaichi and Sandai—all located on the main Jap island of Honshu. No details were given on the raid by 20th Air Force HQ in Washington.

Meanwhile, Tokyo Radio reported that 50 U.S. P51s had raided airfields around Kyoto, Osaka and Kobe on Honshu.

Another broadcast said that an equal number of Mustangs from Iwo Jima had reconnoitered the Chichi Islands on the Bonin Group.

B29s flying alone or in small groups, according to Tokyo Radio, were reported to have made extensive missions over the Tokyo area.

Yesterday's raids carried the aerial onslaught against the Jap home islands into the 37th straight day without a break. Tokyo radio warned that the attacks would steadily increase, reaching a climax in a last whirlwind assault before the invasion of Japan itself.

The broadcast claimed that "we are building up a powerful force to counter-attack the enemy raiders."

On Borneo, Australian troops had virtually cut off the Japanese forces in the Pandansari oil refinery sector and were sweeping outward from their beachheads in all directions.

The Aussies were fanning out north and northeast of Balikpapan along the coastal highway.

In northwest Borneo the Australians advanced three miles along the road to Jesselton and reached Membakut, 11 miles northeast of Beaufort.

GIs Are Warned Lugers and P-38s May Blow Up

PARIS, July 9—Prompted by five or six recent accidents, Army ordnance officials today warned all soldiers in possession of German Lugers and Walther P-38 pistols that the weapons may explode upon firing with certain kinds of German ammunition.

Maj. John H. Begle, chief of the enemy ammunition section, said that the only German cartridge that may be safely fired in either pistol may be identified by a black band around the body of the bullet just at the mouth of the cartridge case.

Specifically identified as dangerous ammunition for both the Luger and the P-38 are the 9mm. cartridges made for the German machine pistol. They are distinguished by a solid black or bright copper-colored bullet.

The pressure of the machine-pistol bullet is too great for either of the pistols and will cause them to explode in the hands of the person firing them, Begle said.

Two of the most highly prized of German souvenirs, Lugers and P-38s are in the possession of thousands of American soldiers. The weapons are of 9mm. caliber, and ordnance officials said that all German and British ammunition of that size would fit the chamber.

Give Up 33rd Hospital

MANCHESTER, July 9—Park Hospital, in Davyhulme, near Manchester, the former British civilian hospital taken over by the U.S. Army in October, 1943, will be officially returned to the British July 11. This is the 33rd American medical installation to be turned back to the British since VE-Day.

British Reported Soon to End Fraternization Ban in Reich

Discussions are in progress at 21st Army Group HQ for abandoning the non-fraternization policy in the British occupation zone of Germany and a decision ending the ban within a month is expected soon, dispatches reported yesterday.

Nothing was said on the subject in the American zone. Lifting of the non-fraternization ban, 21st Army Group correspondents said, would more closely align British policy with that of the Russians.

The VD total among British troops in Germany is about twice that when the soldiers were in France and the Low Countries, dispatches said, adding that, at the same time, the number of free contraceptives issued has shown a decided increase.

This apparent contradiction between the non-fraternization policy and the issue of preventive medicine, since it was obvious that certain men would fraternize under any circumstances, one correspondent reported. Another quoted reports that in some sections of the British zone supplies of contraceptives had been exhausted for the first time since D-Day.

German girls have shown marked tendencies to attempt to prove they are acceptable to men, an Associated Press correspondent reported, adding that some soldiers believed such an association between them and German women was "the final act of victorious warriors in a conquered land." Other soldiers opined that they could not re-educate the Germans if they were not allowed even to speak with them.

A Reuter correspondent reported seeing British troops in a cafe buying beer for Germans. Two MPs came in, he said, but instead of taking any action against those violating the non-frat ban, they themselves sat down and joined the party.

One practice noticed, he said, was for the troops to obtain identification badges similar to those worn by displaced persons and to pin them on German girls.

Truman Starts By Ship for the Big 3 Meeting

WASHINGTON, July 9—President Truman, accompanied by one of the largest delegations to attend a war-time conference, has embarked for the forthcoming Big Three meeting near Berlin, it was announced officially today following disclosures of the President's departure by Washington columnist Drew Pearson.

Mr. Truman left Newport News, Va., by ship for Europe last Saturday. In the President's party were U.S. Secretary of State James F. Byrnes and a large staff of political and military advisers. (Previously it had been announced that Mr. Truman and Byrnes would travel separately.)

Pearson, who released the news of the President's whereabouts after the White House had requested that it remain off the record, said that approximately 100 advisers accompanied Mr. Truman and that the President's itinerary included trips to London and Italy, as well as inspections of American armed forces in Europe.

Figure He'll Arrive by Sunday
No details of the President's voyage were furnished immediately, but there was considerable speculation that Truman would arrive in Berlin by this Sunday. The Big Three meeting probably will be held outside Berlin, in Potsdam, which is in the Russian-occupied zone of Germany.

It also was considered possible the President might confer with Prime Minister Churchill, now resting in southern France, before meeting Premier Stalin, despite Mr. Truman's earlier assertion that he had no such plans.

A United Press dispatch said that Mr. Truman planned to submit a "formal pact" at the meeting which would commit the four Allies, U.S., Britain, Russia and France, to a uniform program for the control of Germany.

To guard against possible objections, the report said, the plan had two phases. The first was a long-term plan "for many decades or as long as it takes to develop a peace-loving people," under which control would be gradually relaxed. The second was a short-term proposal of from one to five years, on the lines already in operation in the U.S. zone of occupation.

'Who Invited deGaulle?' Stumps U.S. Capital

WASHINGTON, July 9 (ANS)—Capital circles were stumped today as to who issued the "invitation" to meet with President Truman which Gen. Charles deGaulle accepted in Paris last Friday.

Persons close to the President, while pointing out that he would be glad to meet the French leader, indicated that no invitation had been issued and that if deGaulle made the trip to Washington he would be doing it "on his own."

White House and State Department officials have refused to confirm the invitation, even off the record, although French officials here insist that the issue is settled and that there is nothing puzzling about it.

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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.

Pampered Italians

We came over here not to fight Hitler or Mussolini but to defeat the decadent people who had rotted to the extent that such creatures became their ideals.

Yet there are thousands of Italian ex-PWs wandering the streets, sharing our entertainment and dating the same girls we are. At least one of them has killed an American, at least one of them screamed in delight while Mussolini cursed us from his balcony in Rome.

Ask the woman at home who became a Gold Star Mother during the North African, Sicilian or Southern Italian campaigns if the Italian who killed her son is any better than the German who killed her neighbor's son.

Now is the time to pay for the privilege of having American military cemeteries in half the countries of Europe. The needs of military expediency are gone, the cause of having to pamper our defeated enemies no longer exists.

Maybe you can face those graves and say, "They didn't mean it, Joe—they were really nice people." I can't.—Sgt. M. R. Rafkin, 114th Inf.

Freedom's Flag

To the Joe who wants justification of the retreat ceremony:

I used to feel just as you do about retreat, until I learned its meaning. That flag of yours and mine, buddy, stands for freedom. If it weren't flying there, both you and I would be forced to live as we were told, instead of enjoying the privilege and honor of serving freedom's great cause.

The hopes of the world rest in that flag. Great men have given their lives to keep it flying for all mankind to see. Is it asking too much to pay our respects and thanks to all that it stands for?—Cpl. L. V. B., 435th ASG.

Athletes' Discharges

Some time ago you reported that Congress was investigating cases whereby professional athletes were getting discharges for allegedly "minor" medical reasons. Recently, Harry Danning, the Giants' catcher, got his trip to freedom because of arthritis. I can show you a hundred guys in the Army with the same affliction. These super-stars may keep up the morale on the home front, but not for us overseas.—Sgt. J. W. E., 93rd Station Comp.

Wants Pacific Duty

Can any kind soul help us? A few of us are trying to get to the Pacific. Some of us are vets from the Continent who were grateful to be transferred into the Air Corps. But now we find ourselves chosen to go to the Continent for occupational training.

As we're not qualified for discharge we've come to the conclusion that we would rather be in an active theater as long as we're stuck overseas. How can we go about getting assigned to the Pacific?—Pfc George Morrow, 412 Air Service Group (and six others).

SWEATIN' IT OUT

By Mauldin



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Communicative Love

FAIRBANKS, Alaska, July 9 (ANS)—What's the war doing to the younger generation, Charles J. Strandberg wants to know. He found chalked on the sidewalk, inside a heart, this message: "Tommy loves Helen." And beneath it in another kid scrawl: "This is an unconfirmed report."

Spy Charge Laid to Japs In Stockholm

Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau NEW YORK, July 9—The Japanese Government has been using its Stockholm legation as a base for technological espionage against the U.S., giving Japan access to information denied to the American public by military censorship in Europe, the New York Herald Tribune asserted yesterday in a Stockholm dispatch.

For example, the Germans had been dabbling throughout the early phases of the war in scientific experiments in occupied Norway. After the German capitulation Allied censorship forbade correspondents to reveal the story in an effort to hide the facts from the Japs.

But the civilian correspondents in Sweden went to Norway and returned to write their stories which were passed by Swedish censorship, which was completely abolished as of July 1. Thus the story was available to the Japs in Swedish, or, if they waited a few days, in an English version which appeared in a London paper available in Stockholm.

"However, the information on the Norwegian experiments still cannot be sent to America by Allied correspondents," the Herald Tribune dispatch, by Tom Twitty, said.

The Japanese Legation staff of 15, plus 11 "genuine or alleged" newspaper correspondents and their families and servants, equal some 50 Japanese "on the loose in Stockholm," the dispatch added. "Japanese diplomats in Sweden buy enough publications of British and American newspapers and technical magazines to be running the New York City Public Library."

Referring to a number of minor incidents between American internees and Japs during the war, the dispatch said that Swedes, on the whole, feel there has been less trouble of this kind than there might have been. "But American civilians and even diplomats playing golf at the Kevinge Course, best in Stockholm, seem to get super-strength into their drives when playing behind a Japanese foursome and Swedes await inevitable hissing from ATC personnel when Japs enter the same restaurant."

Major Home From Reich To 'Stick by' His Wife

BRIDGEPORT Conn., July 9 (ANS)—Paratroop Maj. George Ralsey Stevens arrived home by plane from Germany to see his wife Imogene, who is held on a manslaughter charge in the fatal shooting of Albert Kovacs, a 19-year-old sailor, in her neighbor's home June 23.

Saying that he was home to "stick by his wife," Stevens declared that he wouldn't believe, "unless she tells me herself," a coroner's report that an illicit love affair between Mrs. Stevens and her next-door neighbor, Charles Milton, was one of the circumstances leading up to the shooting of Kovacs.



BACK HOME WITH MAULDIN: That's Bill in the center, having breakfast in bed. The famed cartoonist, now discharged from the Army, is having a quiet interlude at home with his wife Jean and their two-year-old son Bruce, whom he saw for the first time on his return from the ETO recently.

Off the Global Wire

Europe Grain Outlook Poor; U.S., Canada May Send Aid

WASHINGTON, July 9 (AP)—This year's outlook for grain production in Europe is the poorest since the war, the Agriculture Department's foreign division reported today. Wheat prospects were said to be particularly bad, Russia being the only important country with grain seedings greater than in 1944 and prospects there indicating the best crop since 1940.

Because of this situation, which the department attributed to drought in the Mediterranean area, reduced seedings in war-affected areas, lack of fertilizers, machinery and transport, officials estimated that 650,000,000 bushels of wheat would have to be sent to Europe in the next year. Half of this would come from the U.S. and half from Canada.

successors." Farrell heads a military government which has held power since June, 1943.

Give Up Troop Control

PARIS, July 9 (UP)—The French Government has announced that it was handing over to the Syrian and Lebanese governments about 25,000 native troops who have hitherto been under French command in those countries. French troops stationed in Syria are not affected by this move, it was explained.

Fleet to Quit S. Atlantic

RIO DE JANEIRO, July 9 (AP)—Adm. Jonas Ingram, Atlantic Fleet commander, announced today that Brazil had taken over all naval operations in the South Atlantic and that U.S. combat units will cease to operate in that area after Sunday.

Plan Reel Life of Ike

WASHINGTON, July 9 (ANS)—The War Department has granted permission to producer Sam Goldwyn to film the life of Gen. Eisenhower, it has been announced. Profits from the film will go to a non-profit foundation to be selected by the general and Goldwyn. Robert E. Sherwood will write the screen play.

Water Hater Dies

LANCASTER, Pa., July 9 (ANS)—Joseph Lurio, 79, who claimed that he had not tasted water for 63 years, died Saturday. His family said that ice water which Lurio drank in 1882 made him sick and since then he chose beer, with an occasional glass of milk, tea or coffee.

UNRRA Buyers in India

KARACHI, July 9 (Reuter)—An UNRRA delegation which will seek to buy supplies in India for the relief of liberated nations arrived here today, headed by Francis B. Sayre, the relief organization's diplomatic adviser.

AROUND THE GLOBE YESTERDAY

At MILAN, 5th Army agents smashed one of the biggest counterfeit gangs ever to operate in Italy when they arrested the leader and six of his men and confiscated equipment and about \$4,000,000 worth of fake U.S., British and Italian money. . . . At PARIS, it was revealed that 31 German spies were tried and sentenced to death by U.S. authorities before VE-Day. . . . At WARSAW, an agreement was signed between Poland and Rumania designed to boost trade between the two countries to four times what it was before the war. Poland will export coal in exchange for Rumanian goods. A similar agreement between Poland and Russia was announced in Moscow. . . . At RAMBOUILLET, FRANCE, it was revealed that a new order by the French War Ministry compels French youth between 17 and 20 to take four hours of military training a week. At 20, they enter full-time military service.

At COPENHAGEN, it was reported that a Danish brigade of 3,000 volunteers would go to England to be equipped to fight the Japs. . . . At ROME, it was announced that the Mediterranean Allied Tactical Air Force, which spearheaded the invasions of Italy and southern France, had been dissolved, U.S. units returning to 12th AF command. . . . In MOSCOW, 15 leaders of the Armenian Church issued a statement charging that "the Vatican ruler of the Roman Church has interfered in political matters." At the same time, the newspaper Pravda attacked the Catholic World, a U.S. publication, as pro-Fascist, and charged that it was openly calling for war against Russia. The paper praised an editorial in The Stars and Stripes which said that GIs "admire Soviet warriors."

Reveal Reporter Executed

LINZ, Austria, July 9 (AP)—Joseph Morton, AP correspondent who flew into Slovakia last October, was executed in Mauthausen concentration camp, 15 miles from here, last Jan. 24, it was learned here today. Morton's execution, according to German officials now in custody, was ordered by Himmler's office in Berlin. Executed with him were nine U.S. and four British officers. (A delayed dispatch from Bratislava, dated June 22, said the Slovakian government planned to erect a memorial to Morton.)

Ask Exchange-Rate Change

WASHINGTON, July 9 (ANS)—Fear that hundreds of millions of dollars worth of U.S. surplus property would be dumped in Europe at 25 cents on the dollar, because of artificial exchange rates, was voiced by two members of the Senate War Investigating Committee yesterday. Sens. Homer Ferguson (R.-Mich.) and Kenneth Wherry (R.-Neb.) demanded revision of the exchange rate for francs, Wherry pointing out also that the present rate was unfair to GIs.

M'Arthur Hails Filipinos

MANILA, July 9 (ANS)—Gen. MacArthur, addressing the first Philippine Congress, assembled to honor him, declared yesterday that the conduct of the Filipinos during the battle for their country was "proof that you can govern yourselves."

DSC for Buckner

HONOLULU, July 9—The DSC has been awarded posthumously to Lt. Gen. Simon B. Buckner Jr. who was killed on Okinawa.

Argentina to Elect

BUENOS AIRES, July 9 (Reuter)—President Gen. Edelmir Farrell, admitting that Argentina's political situation was "unsettled," announced Saturday that the country would hold an election in November or December. The election, he said, would be free, since the Army had no desire to dictate "our

AFN Radio Program

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An Editorial

The Shows And Sinatra

FRANK Sinatra, who is hardly an authority on either the military or the workaday show business, has just delivered himself a sharp criticism of the Army's Special Service and USO-Camp Shows.

It is possible that Frankie was distraught and tired when he made his statement. He had just finished seven grueling weeks overseas, during which he sang several times every day, and in addition he had granted an audience to the Pope and wised up His Holiness on the crooning "racket," and that taxes one.

But in sounding off against Special Service and Camp Shows he is getting into a subject with which he has but the barest acquaintance, and he is doing an injustice to a group of people who are for the most part talented, hard-working and sincere.

There have been, of course, the usual prima donnas who have flown over and their pictures taken with the GIs and then got the hell home, and there have been some shiftless Special Service officers who have felt that their mission was to pursue beautiful USO girls about the Theater with full-throated cries, but these freaks are not typical of either the show business or Special Service.

GENERALLY speaking, the Camp Show troupes have been made up of serious kids who did the best they could under field conditions and brought a lot of pleasure to weary, homesick men. Special Service officers and enlisted men have worked under adverse circumstances to utilize Camp Shows talent to the best possible advantage and at the same time to tailor entertainments of their own to fit the overseas pattern.

While the war was spread out all over the map of Europe it was frequently difficult to keep up with the combat troops, but everybody concerned did the best he could. The work of the Bob Hopes, Joe E. Browns, Dinah Shores and Carole Landis in reaching the maximum number of men in this and other theaters needs no discussion. The efforts of the lesser-known artists who have made up the bulk of the Camp Shows troupes have gone unrecognized. They deserve the warmest praise.

Several of these little-advertised entertainers are heading for the States after long service overseas, and they are typical of many more. There is the story of Grace Drysdale, a puppeteer injured in the Lisbon Clipper crash, who came back to carry on. There is Don Rice, master of ceremonies, who has rounded out two years of laughs and hard work.

There is Josephine Del Mar, pretty little singer and dancer, who came across Omaha Beach with the first Camp Shows contingent last July and after 30 months overseas hopes to be redeployed to the Pacific.

THERE are Melba and Consolo, a dance team who came over from England in August, fell in with the Army in Normandy and kept up with the advancing divisions until the bell sounded in Bavaria. They are rounding out two years overseas.

These people worked on improvised stages, under trees in the rain, in blasted barns and chateaux and they jeoped their way through mud and slush and snow to take their shows to the men who needed them most. It is a matter of record that they frequently worked forward of our medium artillery positions and they made a lot of friends among GIs over here.

These are examples of the lesser-known people who presented consistently good programs of field entertainment and who report that Special Service has done a "swell job" in helping them.

As the USO points out, there aren't many Bob Hopes and Bing Crosbys and they have to be spread thin, but we've seen the time when an accordion player, an MC with a handful of jokes, a couple of pretty girls and a juggler could do a show in a hospital tent that will never be topped by "Oklahoma!"

If we were making out an efficiency report on Camp Shows in this theater we'd rate it somewhere between "very satisfactory" and "excellent." This might sound like faint praise to show people who begin with "terrific" and work up to "colossal" and "stupendous," but in Army language it means that the boys and girls have been doing OK.

Crossword Puzzle Solution



"It sez here, 'Beware of the dog!'"



STRAIGHT AND TO THE POINT: Rocky Graziano (left) centered when he let go with this left in the fourth round of his recent Madison Square Garden squabble with Freddie Cochrane, but it wasn't until the tenth that he sent the welterweight champ to the canvas for keeps. Up to that point Cochrane, in his first big time appearance after three years in the Navy, was leading on points.

Talbert Wins Clay Court Title; Mrs. Cooke Upsets Pauline Betz

CHICAGO, July 9—Top-seeded Billy Talbert won the national clay court tennis title yesterday when he defeated defending champion Pancho Segura in a gruelling five-set final, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2, 2-6, 6-2, at the River Forest Tennis Club.

Talbert later teamed up with his South American opponent to successfully defend their doubles championship against Elwood Cooke and Lt. Hal Surface, 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.

Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Cooke, who recently returned to competition after an absence of four years, turned in the season's major women's upset when she defeated Pauline Betz, 6-3, 7-5, to annex the singles crown.

Minor League Results

International League		
Newark 8-7, Syracuse 4-0		
Jersey City 6-4, Baltimore 4-5		
Buffalo 10-2, Rochester 5-3		
Montreal 14-7, Toronto 13-10		
W L Pct.		
Montreal .55 .25 .691		
Jersey City .42 .33 .560		
Newark .40 .32 .556		
Baltimore .39 .38 .506		
Buffalo .26 .45 .366		
Rochester .29 .43 .403		
Toronto .31 .43 .419		
Yankees .29 .43 .403		
Syracuse .26 .45 .366		
Eastern League		
Binghamton 2-3		
Utica 4-7, Williamsport 2-0		
Wilkes-Barre 18-4, Albany 2-3		
Hartford 2-3, Scranton 1-2		
W L Pct.		
Albany .38 .30 .559		
Hartford .33 .27 .550		
Wilkes-Barre .34 .28 .548		
Utica .33 .30 .524		
Binghamton .19 .39 .328		
Scranton .29 .31 .483		
Williamsport .29 .32 .475		
Yankees .27 .44 .380		
American Association		
Toledo 10-1, Louisville 4-2		
Columbus 8-8, Indianapolis 5-7		
Milwaukee 7-4, Minneapolis 2-11		
W L Pct.		
Milwaukee .45 .28 .616		
Louisville .45 .34 .570		
Indianapolis .43 .34 .558		
Toledo .38 .39 .494		
Columbus .35 .43 .449		
Minneapolis .26 .46 .361		
Southern Association		
Atlanta 11-8, Chattanooga 3-0		
Mobile 4-4, Little Rock 3-5		
Murfreesboro 7-1, New Orleans 2-3		
W L Pct.		
Atlanta .49 .24 .671		
N. Orleans .44 .29 .611		
Chattanooga .43 .30 .589		
Mobile .41 .33 .562		
Murfreesboro .27 .44 .380		
New Orleans .22 .48 .310		
Pacific Coast League		
Portland 6-7, Oakland 1-0		
Seattle 4-3, Los Angeles 1-0		
San Francisco 7-1, Sacramento 0-8		
Hollywood 6-10, San Diego 3-5		
W L Pct.		
Portland .60 .39 .606		
Seattle .56 .42 .571		
San Francisco .51 .49 .510		
Sacramento .51 .49 .510		
Hollywood .43 .57 .430		
Oakland .47 .55 .461		
Los Angeles .43 .56 .434		
San Diego .43 .57 .430		

Cubs Oust Dodgers From First; Tigers Add Half a Game to Lead

Bengals Divide With Yankees; No.14 for Ferriss

NEW YORK, July 9—The Tigers added a half-game to their American League advantage yesterday by dividing with the Yankees, while the Senators were losing a single game to the Browns, providing the Bengals with a four-and-a-half game margin over the Griffis and Yankees.

After the Yankees bunched seven runs in the fourth and fifth innings to splutter Dizzy Trout, 8-6, the Detroit club came back behind Al Benton to gain an even break with a 3-2 triumph in the nightcap. Trout's setback marked the first time since 1943 he has faltered against the New Yorkers. Hank Borowy was winner of the opener.

Three Hits for Hank
Hank Greenberg delighted an overflow throng of 53,888 customers with his hitting. The big slugger circled in the first game and came through with a single and double in the second. Eddie Mayo also homered for the Bengals in the early game.

Dave Ferriss, talented Red Sox freshman, registered his 14th victory and fifth shutout of the season, blanking the Indians, 6-0. The Tribe salvaged the finale, however, 4-2, behind Allie Reynolds and Pete Center. In addition to ratiating seven hits Ferriss contributed a two-run triple to his own cause. Steve Gromek was the loser, and Boston's Clem Hausmann was the second game victim.

Rain cut short the Washington-St. Louis opener after seven innings with the Nats trailing, 5-1, and Nelson Potter scoring the win over Chick Pieretti. The second game was postponed. A homer by George McQuinn started the Browns on the road to victory.

A's No Match for White Sox
Connie Mack's unhappy Athletics lost a pair of one-run decisions to the White Sox, 5-4 and 3-2, extending their nose-dive to 20 defeats in their last 22 tries.

Johnny Humphries was the early winner, outpitching Steve Gerkin, and Orval Grove won his ninth verdict in the nightcap as the Sox hopped Charlie Gassaway for all of their runs in the first two innings. Humphries, who needed aid from Earl Caldwell in the ninth, came through despite six Chicago errors and Dick Siebert's homer with a man aboard in the eighth inning. Caldwell yielded a single to Charley Metro that produced run No. 4 for the A's, then ended the game by getting Hal Peck to fly out.

Cooper Goes to St. Louis For Treatment of Elbow

BOSTON, July 9—Mort Cooper, fireballing right-hander recently obtained by the Braves from the Cardinals, was en route to St. Louis again today for treatment of a sore elbow. Cooper has been complaining of an ailing wing for several weeks and decided to visit Dr. Robert Hyland, noted bone specialist.

Kid Gavilan Kayoes Pedroso for Cuban Title

HAVANA, July 9—Kid Gavilan, rated here as the best scrapper since Kid Chocolate, annexed the Cuban lightweight title last night when he stopped veteran Joe Pedroso in the fourth round.

Chicago Quint Back in Big Ten

CHICAGO, July 9—Big Ten basketball will actually be Big Ten this year for Chicago University will compete for the Western Conference championship after a one-year voluntary resignation from court competition.

Announcement of the Maroons' return was made at a meeting of Big Ten coaches as they arranged tentative schedules for the 1945-46 campaign. Nels Norgren, recently returned from military service, will resume his post as Chicago basketball coach.

Herman Up to Old Antics

BROOKLYN, July 9—Babe Herman, one of the daftiest of the Daffy Dodgers, proved to the Flatbush Faithful yesterday that he's the same old Babe. Herman, who was purchased by the Bums last week at the age of 42 for pinch-hitting chores, made his debut in the opening game of the twin bill with the Cardinals when he batted for Ed Stankey in the seventh inning. The Babe hit for a single. But rounding first base he fell flat on his face in Mack Sennett fashion. He couldn't pick himself up and had to scramble back to the bag on all fours, barely returning in time to avoid the tagging lunge of Ray Sanders.

Herman came up again in the finale as a substitute batter, but failed to connect.



DYNAMITE STILL THERE

Almost four years in the Army failed to have any disastrous effects on Hank Greenberg, burly slugger of the Detroit Tigers. Above, Hank crosses the plate after belting a homer in his first game for the Bengals following the long Army sojourn. Hanks' blow helped the Tigers defeat the Philadelphia Athletics, 9-5.

Cards Subdue Flock as Phils Bow to Bruins

NEW YORK, July 9—The National League lead changed hands for the third time in two weeks yesterday when the Cubs climbed over the Dodgers by trouncing the floundering Phillies twice, 12-6 and 9-2, while the Bums were booting away a pair of 6-4 decisions to the onrushing Cardinals.



RAY PRIM

The day's double-header slate placed the Cubs one game ahead of the Bums with the Cards another half-game behind. Running their winning streak to ten straight, the Bruins won behind good pitching by Ray Prim and Hank Wyse, plus solid hitting by Phil Cavarretta, who collected two singles, a double and a triple in the opener and two timely singles in the nightcap. Whit Wyatt and Dick Barrett were the losers.

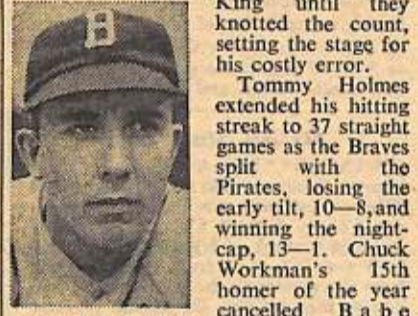
Vince DiMaggio, Philadelphia slugger, injured his leg on his own foul tip in the first game and was taken to a hospital for X-rays. Errors by pitchers contributed largely to Brooklyn's double humiliation. Vic Lombardi's poor throw to first base in the second inning of the first game opened the door for four unearned runs, while Clyde King's faulty throw in the eighth inning of the second game handed the Redbirds two runs—just enough to win. Whitey Kurowski homered for the Cards in the sixth of the opener for what

Gashouse Serenade Taunts Brooklyn Fans

BROOKLYN, July 9—The Cardinals put the finishing touch on Brooklyn's funeral afternoon yesterday as they raced off the field following their double victory which shoved the Bums out of the National League lead.

As the champions made their way to the dugout they lined up in front of the railing and taunted the 32,001 crestfallen faithful by chanting, "There'll be no joy in Brooklyn tonight. Oh, there'll be no joy in Brooklyn tonight." And then they gaily skipped under the grandstand.

proved to be the winning margin. Dixie Walker circled for the Bums with the bases loaded in the first of the second contest to give his club a temporary margin, but the Cards pecked away at King until they knotted the count, setting the stage for his costly error.



CHUCK WORKMAN

Tommy Holmes extended his hitting streak to 37 straight games as the Braves split with the Pirates, losing the early tilt, 10-8, and winning the nightcap, 13-1. Chuck Workman's 15th homer of the year cancelled Babe Dahlgren's three-run homer for the Bucs in the opener, but the Corsairs chastised reliever Nate Andrews for five hits and three runs in the eighth inning to win.

A home run by Holmes touched off a seven-run explosion in the fourth inning of the windup and enabled Jim Tobin to cruise to an easy triumph over Max Butcher, who started, and three other Pittsburgh pitchers.

Two of the season's pitching disappointments, Bucky Walters, of the Reds, and Bill Voiselle, of the Giants, flashed signs of recapturing their charm yesterday as the teams battled to a standstill. Walters fashioned a five-hitter against Bill Emrich in the opener for a 5-2 conquest, while Voiselle came through with his first complete game since May 20 to win the second game, 5-0.

Majors Not Hit By Pullman Ban

NEW YORK, July 9—New ODT regulations denying the use of sleeping car space to civilians traveling 450 miles or less will work little hardship on major league teams, moguls have revealed, because the players have been doing their train sleeping sitting up for some time.

Harold Parrott, Dodger road secretary, said that most major league teams had been riding the day coaches on shorter jumps for more than a year. Parrott also revealed that the Dodgers completed their most recent western tour by traveling from Cincinnati to Flatbush—some 600 miles—in day coaches.

College football teams, especially those having Naval trainees on their rosters, may be the hardest hit. The trainees are allowed to be away from their campuses for only 48 hours at a time and usually spend Friday night traveling to the site of Saturday's games.

Amateur Soccer Crown Won by Eintracht Eleven

NEW YORK, July 9—The Eintracht soccer team of New York successfully defended its national amateur championship yesterday by defeating Refzery, of St. Louis, 1-0, in the finals.

A penalty set up the only score of the game a minute after the second half started. Antretter booted the free kick to Latsch, who rammed home the payoff.

Filley Named to All-Stars For Game With Packers

CHICAGO, July 9—Pat Filley, guard and captain of Notre Dame's 1944 football team, will join the college all-stars for the annual charity game at Soldiers Field Aug. 30 with the National Football League champions.

Filley is the first collegian named for the game, which will be played against the Green Bay Packers.

MAJOR LEAGUE RESULTS

American League		
Boston 6-2, Cleveland 0-4		
New York 8-2, Detroit 6-3		
Chicago 5-3, Philadelphia 4-2		
St. Louis 5, Washington 1 (called after 7th inning, rain; second game postponed, rain).		
W L Pct.		
Detroit .43 .28 .606		
Washington .38 .32 .543		
New York .39 .33 .543		
Chicago .39 .36 .520		
Philadelphia .22 .49 .310		

National League		
Chicago 12-9, Philadelphia 6-2		
Pittsburgh 10-1, Boston 8-13		
St. Louis 6-6, Brooklyn 4-4		
Cincinnati 5-0, New York 2-5		
W L Pct.		
Chicago .42 .28 .600		
Brooklyn .43 .31 .581		
St. Louis .42 .31 .575		
New York .41 .36 .532		
Philadelphia .20 .59 .253		

League Leaders				
Cuccinello, Chicago .. 70				
Case, Washington .. 66				
Stephens, St. Louis .. 67				
Stirnweiss, New York .. 72				
Johnson, Boston .. 74				
G AB R H Pct.				
247 35 81 .328				
272 45 89 .327				
255 45 81 .318				
295 54 91 .309				
283 40 84 .297				
Home Run Hitters				
Stephens, St. Louis, 13; Johnson, Boston, 10.				
Runs Batted In				
Johnson, Boston, 48; Etten, New York, 44.				
Leading Pitchers				
Ferriss, Boston, 14-2; Benton, Detroit, 7-1.				
Stolen Bases				
Case, Washington, 18; Myatt, Washington, 16.				

League Leaders				
Holmes, Boston .. 74				
Cavarretta, Chicago .. 71				
Rosen, Brooklyn .. 68				
Kurowski, St. Louis .. 69				
Olmo, Brooklyn .. 72				
G AB R H Pct.				
312 77 125 .401				
274 61 102 .372				
281 58 102 .363				
267 50 88 .310				
290 43 95 .328				
Home Run Hitters				
Lombardi, New York, and Workman, Boston, 15; Holmes, Boston, 14.				
Runs Batted In				
Holmes, Boston, 69; Walker, Brooklyn, 64.				
Leading Pitchers				
Cooper, Boston, 8-1; Basseau, Chicago, 10-2.				
Stolen Bases				
Schoendienst, St. Louis, 12; Olmo, Brooklyn, Barrett, Pittsburgh, and Clay, Cincinnati, 11.				

Dick Tracy



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By Chester Gould



By Al Capp



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Around the 48 Yesterday

Ration-Point Racket Perils OPA's System

Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

CHICAGO—More than 8,000,000 counterfeit red ration points were passed over the country's retail meat counters last month and the flood of bogus coupons—distributed by gangs operating principally in Chicago—now threaten to wash away the entire food-rationing structure should the meat shortage grow worse, Robert Ehrlich, chief investigator for the Rationing Currency Protective Branch of OPA, declared.

"The use of counterfeit red coupons is at its height," Ehrlich said, "but the situation may become worse before it becomes better. If counterfeiting gets entirely out of hand, we'll have a complete breakdown of the rationing system."

The distribution of counterfeit rationing currency is heaviest in New York, and Chicago is second on the list, Ehrlich said. But he declared, "Chicago gangs are the main source."

The circulation of illegal gas coupons is said to be at "rock bottom," however, and less than one per cent of the gas sold in June involved the use of counterfeit stamps. Eight "verification centers," one in Chicago, are operated by OPA to make chemical tests of all ration coupons returned to banks by merchants. The tests are OPA's best means of identifying and tracing the source of counterfeits.

Hostility Against Nisei Subsides

NEW YORK—It was a day—when in SALT LAKE CITY Relocation Authority Chief Rex Lee said that the feeling in the U.S. against Japanese-Americans rapidly was becoming better. "Most Jap-Americans have proved themselves," he said, "and the feeling against them is only in spots. Even in California the majority of the people are tolerant."

When Lt. L. Irvin Karesh, of Macon, Ga.—his right arm gone, his left leg artificial and his right leg in a cast—made a special mission from the Lawson General Hospital near ATLANTA to the Federal Reserve Bank there and invested his \$6,500 in War Bonds. Karesh had been a platoon leader with the spearhead units of the 7th Armored Division and one day he stepped on a hidden mine which in exploding set off another.

"Sure I believe in War Bonds," he told an Atlanta reporter. "There were plenty of times over there when we were short of gas and ammunition. Did you

read about the Yank soldier who gave out gasoline in France and had to sit in Verdun for five days. Well, I was right there with him."

When in renewing the nation-wide appeal for 6,000 cooks, butchers and other members in the ship stewards departments, the War Shipping Administration said that unless this quota was met homeward-bound soldiers would be delayed. The shortage of men in this department also threatens to disrupt the redeployment to the Pacific, WSA declared.

When a War Department spokesman said that it was unlikely that summer uniforms would be issued to U.S. occupation forces in Germany because of the shortage of cotton cloth stemming from the heavy demands in the Pacific. The question came up after the department reported that doughs being redeployed from the ETO to the Pacific were given summer uniforms either in the U.S. or in the ETO if being sent direct to the Orient.

News Strikers Again Defy WLB

NEW YORK (ANS)—Newspaper deliverers, who have tied up circulation of the city's 14 major newspapers, voted unanimously to continue their strike in defiance of a War Labor Board directive that they return to work or face the possible loss of closed-shop and retroactive-pay increase benefits.

Joseph Simon, president of the independent union, said its officers were bound by the vote, despite a request by them that the advice of the WLB be followed. The strikers refuse to return to work until a new contract is signed.

The vote came after Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia read "Dick Tracy" over the radio to the kids—and grownups—for the second Sunday of the eight-day strike, and added this warning to strikers: "Deliverymen, you made a mistake in not going back to work when the War Labor Board directed you to do so." He expressed the hope that the men would return to their jobs and present their case in "the American way."

Map Vast Highway System

WASHINGTON—The Public Roads Administration disclosed plans for mapping a 40,000-mile system of interstate highways to connect principal U.S. cities. The plans include an arrangement for national interstate systems to provide express routes between all cities having a population of 300,000 or more, all but two or three cities in the 100,000 to 300,000 population group and numerous smaller cities and towns.

of Chicago, seeks to collect assessments against the company's policy-holders.

DDT Routs Beach Pests

JONES BEACH, N.Y. (ANS)—There were no flies or mosquitoes on Jones Beach. The first beach test for the peace-time use of a DDT fog generator to kill insect pests proved to be 100 per cent successful, observers reported. Beach employees said the mosquitoes were "staggering within five minutes and died a few minutes later." Within half an hour all flies were dead, they said.

Fireman, Spare the Cops

PARIS, Ill.—It all happened when Fireman Al Malone gave the local Police Department's motorcycle a trial spin. He bumped over four curbs, sideswiped a print shop, ran into three stores and then crashed through a high board fence. He suffered minor injuries.

Hunt Motive in PW Killings

SALINA, Utah (AP)—Pfc Clarence Bertucci, of New Orleans, was in the guardhouse as military authorities investigated the motive for his suddenly opening up with a machine-gun, killing eight German PWs and wounding 20 others as they slept in their tents Saturday night.

According to Col. A. J. Ericson, commander of the prisoner camp at Ogden, of which the one here is a branch, there had been no previous incidents which might have led to the shooting.

Lt. Albert I. Cornell, commander of the branch here, said that Bertucci was alone in a guard tower when the firing began. Cornell said that Bertucci let loose with three volleys into the tent area, shooting approximately 250 bullets, all within 15 seconds.

Most of the dead and wounded were in a tent less than 30 feet from the tower. Although overseas eight months with a field artillery outfit Bertucci never saw combat. He served only in England before being returned home.

They Let Their Hair Down—Sort of Cue Balls Get a Scalplock On Deriders of the Balding Male

PHILADELPHIA, July 9 (AP)—Defense of the honor of their hairless scalps is the object of the Skinheads' Club, which is rapidly recruiting new members. "There is nothing shameful about being bald," said William C. Johnson, president of the club. "Roy Chapman Andrews, the eminent scientist, has stated that most of the human race will be without cranial adornment in a few eons. We are just a few millenniums ahead of our time." Club members, most of them executives of industrial concerns, bow solemnly to their "patron saint," Hippocrates, the bald father of medicine, whose statue

adorns the head table at the club headquarters, where members meet several times a month. "Many great men have been bald," members argue. "Look at Socrates and Caesar," said President Johnson. All members of the Skinheads' Club are not bald, however. Friends of the organizers begged for admittance, explaining that it would be only a matter of time before they would be eligible for full membership. They were admitted—but on an "associate membership" basis. The club will welcome members from the United Kingdom, either as "full" members or as "associates."

Stettinius Plugs Charter Before Senate Group

WASHINGTON, July 9 (ANS)—Former Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius Jr. told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee today that the United Nations charter offered "a truly effective instrument for lasting peace." He was the first witness called by the committee as it opened hearings which are expected to speed the charter quickly to the Senate for a vote on ratification. Stettinius, who has been nominated by President Truman to be the U.S. member

Nicaragua 1st Nation To Adopt Charter

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, July 9 (AP)—Nicaragua is believed to be the first nation to adopt the United Nations charter. President Anastasio Somoza Saturday approved a resolution by the country's Congress ratifying the document.

of the proposed world security council, defended the voting procedure under which the U.S., Britain, Russia, France and China, with two smaller nations, must approve before the council could act to settle any international dispute.

"These five nations," he said, "possessing most of the world's power to break or preserve peace, must agree and act together if peace is to be maintained." But even the security council, he said, could not insure peace "if men and women have no security in their homes and in their jobs."

While Stettinius was before the committee, the White House released his report to President Truman on the charter in which he declared that "we cannot provide jobs for the millions now in our armed forces and maintain prosperity for ourselves unless the economy of the rest of the world is restored to health."

In an interview before the hearing, Sen. Carl Hatch (D-N.M.) said he would propose that Congress define the authority of the U.S. member of the security council as equivalent to the President's Constitutional power to employ troops.

Living Skeleton Comes Home to Mom's Cooking

FREDONIA, Wis., July 9 (ANS)—Pvt. Joe Demler, 19, whose physical appearance when found in a German PW camp earned him the title of "The Skeleton of Limberg," was home today looking forward to his mother's cooking.

Demler, who weighed 70 pounds when he was liberated from a German starvation camp last spring, gained 50 pounds during his stay at Kennedy General Hospital at Memphis, Tenn. Now at home he expects to regain his normal weight.

Joe has received lots of mail since his picture appeared in the paper showing him on a bed in a PW camp just skin and bones. Among the letters was one that expressed doubt as to whether the picture was "the real thing."

"Whoever it was didn't sign his name," Joe explained, "but it said: 'We would feel sorry for you if this scarecrow picture was on the level, but most of the people here have enough worry trying to keep from becoming scarecrows themselves because of the food shortage. We don't feel sorry for you for trying to kid the public into believing a thing like this is possible.'"

"Some people won't believe anything," Mrs. Demler commented. "Maybe it was hard to believe," said Joe.

Army Cut in Shoe Needs Will Give Civilians More

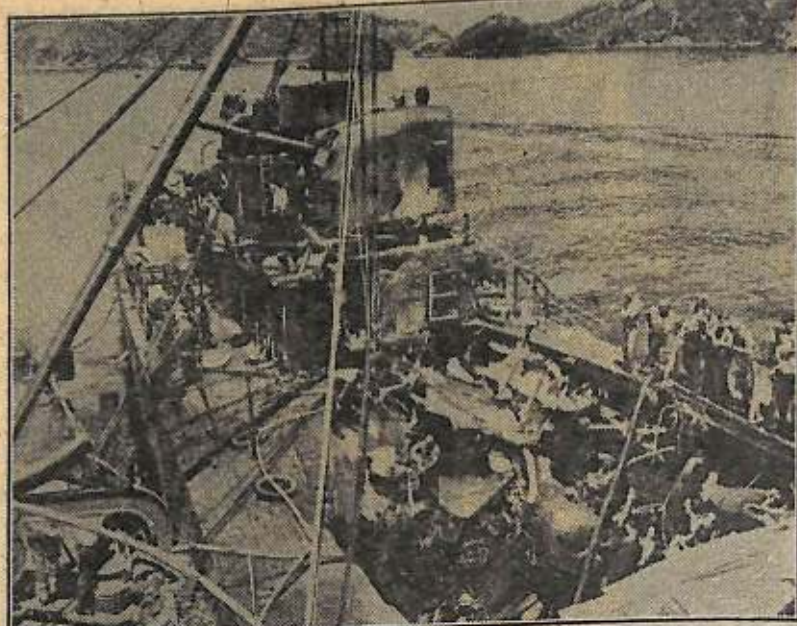
BOSTON, July 9 (ANS)—A substantial reduction in the monthly production of combat boots and service shoes for the Army in the fourth quarter of this year will allow the shoe industry to prepare for an increase in civilian production, the Army said today.

Production in the last three months of 1945 will be reduced from 2,100,000 to 1,500,000 pairs of combat boots and from 700,000 to 350,000 pairs of service shoes monthly.

Poles Reach London

Representatives of the new Polish government have arrived in London, it was reported yesterday, to wind up the affairs of the former Polish government here. At the same time the British government, which financed the London Poles during the war, has begun liquidating its physical share in the regime.

Terry and the Pirates



Associated Press Photo

KAMIKAZE VICTIM: Seven Jap suicide planes left the U.S. destroyer Newcomb a mass of wreckage. The 2,100-ton veteran of Pacific campaigning made its way to an advance base under its own power despite 91 casualties and crippling damage.

Officer to Sue London Paper

PARIS, July 9—Col. William S. Paley, deputy chief of SHAEF Psychological Warfare Division, announced today that he was arranging to file suit for libel against the London Daily Mail for printing a story which alleged that he had negotiated for the use of Radio Luxembourg on behalf of the Columbia Broadcasting System.

Paley called the article "completely and wholly untrue," adding:

"It falsely accuses me of using my official position to further my private financial interests and of neglecting my official duties in so doing. Beyond my personal interest in protecting my reputation against a palpable lie, I have a very strong interest in combating irresponsible and untruthful news reporting in general."

OWI is completing negotiations for further use of Radio Luxembourg as an official governmental medium of information, he said.

Congress May Curb Agency Spending

WASHINGTON July 9 (ANS)—Congress moved today to get tighter control over the nation's pocketbook. The action, endorsed in principle recently by President Truman, came in approval by the House Committee on Executive Expenditures of a far-reaching bill for regulation of federally-owned corporations.

These agencies, such as the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, largely determine the government's fiscal policies and control its money, the Spending Committee said in a report.

Under legislation introduced by Rep. William M. Whittington (D-Miss.) such corporations would be required to submit an annual budget and program of anticipated operations for approval or rejection by Congress. In addition a yearly independent audit of most of agencies would be directed.

Aussie Predicts Jap War To End by Christmas

OTTAWA, July 9 (AP)—Predicting that the Japanese war would end by Christmas, George McLean, leader of the opposition in the Australian Senate, said today that victory would be followed by a great depression unless immediate preventive steps were taken.

"I foresee within two or three years chaos and depression worse than anything after the last war unless the United Nations hold an economic conference immediately on ministerial level," he said.

Sultan Is Nominated To Be Army IG Chief

WASHINGTON, July 9 (AP)—President Truman has nominated Lt. Gen. Daniel I. Sultan, recently returned from the CBI, as inspector-general of the U.S. Army.

The President also named Luther Deck Miller, chaplain with temporary rank of brigadier general, to be chief of Army chaplains.

No Delay in Petain Trial

PARIS, July 9—The French Ministry of Justice today denied reports in some Paris newspapers that the treason trial of Marshal Henri Philippe Petain had been postponed indefinitely. A ministry spokesman said the trial would open in less than a month.

Barrel Rider Beats The Niagara Rapids

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., July 9 (AP)—William (Red) Hill yesterday safely completed a seven-mile ride through the Niagara rapids and whirlpool in a 700-pound steel barrel.

More than 50,000 persons lined the banks to watch the stunt, which Hill said he was making in order to raise funds for a memorial to his father, who made a similar barrel trip three times.

On landing, Hill said he felt fine. The journey required 2 1/2 hours.

Asks Equal Air Rights for U.S.

WASHINGTON, July 9 (ANS)—If the U.S. does not act now to secure equal rights to international communications services it will be too late and pre-war discrimination will prevail, Chairman Burton K. Wheeler (D-Mont.) of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee asserted last night.

Wheeler has asked President Truman to take up world communications and aviation problems at the forthcoming Big Three conference.

Provision should be made without delay to insure that the nation's tremendous war investment in world communications and air bases can be used for commercial purposes, he said.

Wheeler deplored "discriminatory rates" charged American business to Australia and Africa, compared to rates charged British business when, he pointed out, European nations are urging the U.S. to participate in world affairs. But he said "they want us to participate by furnishing money, food and loans, and by keeping our armies in Europe, while they still discriminate against us in aviation and communications."

Ousted Lieutenant Faces Draft as GI

BALTIMORE, July 9 (ANS)—Third Service Command officials said today that possible induction as a buck private faces former 2/Lt. James Patnode, of Lake Placid, N.Y., who was dismissed from the Army for capitalizing on a GI's love for a sled dog.

Patnode bought a dog for \$7.50 and sold it to Pfc Malcolm Douglass, of Orange, N.J., for \$300 because Douglass was willing to pay that much to get the pooch he once nursed back to health in the Antarctic.

Patnode was convicted by a court-martial. He agreed to reimburse Douglass, who now is stationed in Alaska.

Officials said Patnode may be drafted, but that the decision rested with his local draft board.

'Shangri La' Survivors Are Flown to States

HAMILTON FIELD, Cal., July 9 (ANS)—A pretty WAC corporal and two other survivors from "Shangri La" arrived in an Army transport plane from New Guinea today, en route to Washington to report to the Army about their plane crash last May 13 which cost the lives of 21 other travelers.

The three, still wearing bandages over burns suffered in the crash into a New Guinea valley surrounded by 14,000-foot peaks, are Cpl. Margaret Hastings, of Oswego, N.Y., Lt. John S. McCollom, of Trenton, Mo., and Sgt. Kenneth Decker, of Kelso, Wash.

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