

## 8th Hits Emden, Destroys 138 Fighters

### Premier Out In Bulgaria, Turks Hear

#### Tension Grows After Sofia Gets Its Worst Aerial Pounding of War

Tension in Bulgaria, whipped to a new frenzy by another visit by American Liberators Friday, appeared to be moving toward a climax last night, and according to unconfirmed reports reaching Istanbul from Sofia, the Bulgarian Premier, Boshilov, and two of his ministers have resigned.

Along with Boshilov, Foreign Minister Shishmanov, who succeeded Kirov after the latter quit last week, and the minister of the interior, Mihailov, were reported to have stepped out.

The Berne correspondent of the Stockholm newspaper Svenska Dagbladet said that Friday's Liberator raid not only caused heavy destruction in Sofia, but demoralized the people like nothing before in this war.

#### Bombers Attack in Waves

Budapest radio said the bombers attacked Sofia in waves, giving the Bulgarian capital its worst raid since the Balkan nation threw in its lot with the Axis in March, 1941. As in previous bomber assaults, the railway district of the city was believed to have been the target. Reports to neutral capitals said that there were many casualties and heavy damage.

Budapest and Bucharest already have been warned by leaflet and Allied broadcasts that bombing is in store for them, too. Thousands have begun evacuating those two cities, it has been reported.

According to informed quarters in Madrid last night, sudden drastic developments may occur at any time in Hungary. In Budapest, members of Parliament were described as becoming increasingly stubborn. Madrid heard that candid attacks had been made on the government, along with outright demands that Hungary withdraw her troops from Russia.

"Enough" has become the favorite word in Sofia whenever the war is discussed, it was said.

#### Army Demanding Change?

One Istanbul report made the significant assertion that the Bulgarian Army had joined with Parliamentary opposition in demands that Bulgaria's leaders should take the country out of the war or make way for a government that will. This statement was said to have been made by a Bulgarian colonel just arrived in Istanbul from Sofia.

Meanwhile, there was no further word concerning possible war action by Turkey nor any information about rumors of troops massing near the Dardanelles which swept neutral capitals after the Cairo conference.

Latest statement from Turkey on that country's position was a declaration in the Istanbul newspaper Kizilay that Turkey would fight only unless "it will be useful to herself and her allies."

In Yugoslavia, another of Hitler's Balkan headaches, partisan forces of Tito clung doggedly to a line swaying indecisively across much of Yugoslavia, but holding fixed and firm in the important area of Slovenia, athwart the Germans' Fiume-Trieste supply head.

### Support Voted For Bonus Rise

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12—The Senate Military Affairs Committee approved a bill to provide mustering-out pay for honorably discharged servicemen and women ranging from \$200 to \$500.

The bill provides that servicemen from Army colonel and naval commander down will get \$500 for more than 18 months' service overseas; \$400 for more than 12 months but less than 18 months overseas; \$300 dollars for less than 12 months overseas or more than 12 months service in the continental United States, and \$200 for less than a year in the United States.

One-third of the money would be paid upon discharge, and one-third in each of the next two months.

Servicemen and women already discharged would be eligible as soon as the bill should become law. No estimate of the ultimate cost was available.

### It Isn't Duck Soup, Either



It's chow time, and Pvt. H. G. Shuber, of Concordia, Kan., uses the trail of his artillery piece for his mess table in a mud-bound area on the Italian front.

## Tank Division Each Day Lost by Foe, Soviets Say

United Press dispatches from Moscow indicated last night that the tide of battle appeared to be turning in favor of the Russians in the Chernyakhov-Malin sector, where the Germans have been hurling great tank forces against the Red Army's salient west of Kiev.

These dispatches said that the Nazis have been losing the equivalent of a tank division a day in their fruitless assaults, but seemed determined to continue the onslaughts.

Hundreds of tanks have been destroyed by the Russians in the last week, and German advances have been brought to a halt. Favoring the Russians was an improvement in the weather, allowing them to bring their aerial superiority to bear.

There were numerous reports last night, however, that large reinforcements were being brought up by the Germans. Troop trains were said to be jamming lines running east from Germany.

Meanwhile, in the Dnieper Bend, three Russian columns converged on the industrial and rail center of Kirovograd, from which four of seven escape routes have been cut by the Soviets.

Two of the columns were less than 15 miles from the city, and gains by all three yesterday were reported.

The full in tank and infantry operations continued in White Russia, where, despite snowdrifts and icy temperatures, the marshlands and peat bogs remained unfrozen. Heavy artillery and mortars were constantly in action on this front, however, and Berlin radio yesterday claimed some gains in the sector.

#### Russians-Czechs Sign Pact

A treaty of friendship, mutual aid and post-war cooperation between the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia was signed in Moscow yesterday by Foreign Minister Molotov and the Czech ambassador, Moscow radio announced last night. The pact was the first of its kind which Russia has concluded with a government in exile.

Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson said that because of "a surplus of officers in certain categories" the Army was allowing officers over 45 whose services are not needed to return to inactive status.

### President Told Eisenhower Teheran Strategic Plan

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12—A detailed report on the Allied strategy formulated at the Teheran conference was given Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower by President Roosevelt at a two-day meeting at Carthage, the White House announced yesterday.

The announcement said that the President revealed to Gen. Eisenhower "the grand Mediterranean strategy determined upon in collaboration with Prime Minister Churchill and the combined British and American staffs."

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 12 (UP)—A Christmas truce is being rumored in Berlin, according to reports reaching the Stockholm Allehanda. Berlin's population is so excited at the prospect of a few nights' certain sleep that they discuss the rumors constantly, the paper adds.

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## Third Biggest Score Is Rolled Up in Blow At Vital U-Boat Base

### Money Changers Cheat Yanks, Papers Declare

U.S. soldiers eager to exchange American money for English are being victimized by unauthorized money changers, according to London newspapers quoted yesterday by the Associated Press.

Some of the soldiers, the report said, receive no more than 70 cents in English money for a dollar. One Piccadilly changer was said to be averaging a profit of \$500 a week.

The articles also said profiteers purchased wrist watches, fountain pens and other scarce articles from soldiers who wanted quick cash.

### 17 Bombers, Three Escorts Lost; N.J. Pilot New Ace

American heavy bombers struck their seventh blow of the war at the German port of Emden over the weekend, and at a cost of 17 bombers and three fighters blazed the way to their third biggest victory over Luftwaffe interceptors.

One hundred and thirty eight German planes were claimed as destroyed by the fleet of Fortresses and Liberators and their P47 and P38 escorts. The bombers' gunners claimed 117 enemy aircraft, with 20 probables and 12 damaged; fighter camera-guns showed 21 kills.

Bomb hits were registered on the big submarine construction yards, port facilities and other targets in the city area along the eastern edge of the Ems Estuary which is Germany's most western port. Emden, although comparatively small in pre-war days, has grown in importance since the extermination of Hamburg and the heavy pounding of Bremen and Wilhelmshaven.

In long duels with formations of virtually every type of Nazi fighter plane, the U.S. airmen rang up their highest score over a single target, and a mark exceeded only by the two-target battles of Schweinfurt-Regensburg, on Aug. 17, and Vegesack-Bremen, on October 8.

#### Third Raid of Month

The U.S. attack on Emden came after two straight nights of Mosquito penetrations of western Germany. It was the third raid this month for Eighth Bomber Command, which opened December with missions to northwestern Germany on the first and attacked military installations in France last Sunday.

A force of some 20 or 30 German bombers—mostly Dornier 217s—was over England Friday night. Four were destroyed, three by one Canadian Mosquito pilot, after bombs had caused casualties and damage.

The Forts and Liberators which went to Emden Saturday found spotty and intense flak over the target area, which includes the vast Nordseewerke submarine yards, where, reconnaissance photos had shown, eight subs were being built and two more were in process of fitting out. Port facilities, too, have been over-taxed with the influx of raw materials from Scandinavia, and the Dortmund-Ems canal system, beginning there, has shown intense activity.

#### Rocket Attacks Persistent

Rocket-firing Me 110s and 210s pressed persistent attacks against the bomber armada and the Lightnings and Thunderbolts providing cover. Two Eighth Fighter Command pilots scored triple victories. Capt. Robert A. Lamb, of Ridgewood, N.J., who thus became an ace, and Lt. Paul A. Conger, of Piedmont, Cal. Three other fighter pilots scored doubles.

Capt. Lamb, who got one "kill" without firing a shot and raised his total to five, told of the fighting:

"We were flying high when we rendezvoused with the bombers. I saw a group of Me110s flying formation at the right of the bombers, and dove on three of them at the right rear. I singled out an Me110 on the left and started firing at 400 yards, closing to 50 yards. I saw strikes on the plane and pieces fly off. Suddenly the two men bailed out and I broke off, almost running into a Ju88 which came up from behind. I went under him and pulled up in front. He (Continued on page 2)

## Reich 'Groggy' When Invasion Starts—Arnold

### Sees 360-Degree Bombing Of Germany as Paving Way for Defeat

A U.S. AIR BASE IN ITALY, Dec. 12—If Germany hasn't been knocked out of the war by the time the second front opens, "they're going to be too groggy" from air attacks to offer much resistance, Gen. Henry H. (Hap) Arnold, chief of the U.S. Army Air Forces, said here.

Stopping at this base on a flying tour of the Italian fronts following the recent Middle East conference, Gen. Arnold foresaw "360-degree bombing" of the Reich.

Every part of German-dominated Europe will be open to Allied bombing soon, the general said.

"These air raids are going to cause Germany's defeat," he added flatly.

"The European and Mediterranean theaters are getting bombers in numbers we did not dream of last year," the general said. "It will be a fearful, terrible winter for Germany, and next spring we will double the intensity."

"The Royal Air Force will bomb every city in Germany by night and we will by day," he declared.

Americans, he said, are about ready to strike by day at every point in Germany, Hungary, Bulgaria and Rumania.

"The more planes we use the less our losses will be, and when we strike from this theater it will spread the German air defenses," Gen. Arnold added.

He said the strategic air force of heavy bombers would not need airfields in Rome or the north to strike at every point in Germany. American bombers can strike at every place they want from their present bases, he said.

"Of course, the closer we get, the (Continued on page 2)

## Live Bomb Caught on B17 Wing Gives Crew Panicky Trip Home

### By Francis Harrington

Stars and Stripes Unit Correspondent  
A U.S. FORTRESS BASE, Dec. 12—One bomb dropped from a Flying Fortress in yesterday's USAAF raid on Emden never got to the ground. It came all the way back to England swaying dangerously on the wing of a second Fort, whose perspiring crew pinched themselves occasionally today, just checking to see if they really were alive.

2/Lt. Edward D. Martin, 28, of Greensboro, N.C., pilot of the second Fort, explained the stowaway bomb:

"We were directly over the target. All the ships had their bomb bay doors open, their bombs dropping down. A ship flying above and ahead of us had a bomb-release malfunction, and one of its bombs released late and landed on our wing just to the rear of the No. 1 engine.

"The ship lurched down on the wing. I thought the controls were hit. I then saw this bomb, live fuse and all, out there on my wing. It had broken open, and a jelly-like substance was oozing from the casing. Why it didn't go off on impact with the wing or ignite from the heat of the engine we'll never know. Someone must have been praying for us."

During the time the Fort was over the target, and for part of the way back home, enemy fighters zoomed and whizzed around. A single bullet from any of them could have set fire to the bomb—an incendiary. But none hit, and the ship, being handled "very tenderly" by Lt. Martin, continued on its way.

Over the North Sea, the generator on the No. 1 engine burned out. Smoke curled up and around the bomb.

"All of us were really sweating that out, for we were sure it was the bomb," said Martin.

With the crash wagon, ambulance, fire truck and assorted ordnance and armament workers lining the runway, Lt. Martin set down the Fort (a borrowed machine, his own Patricia being in the (Continued on page 2)

### 'TimeOut' for Li'l Abner, Terry and The Pirates

This isn't an obituary for Li'l Abner and Terry and the Pirates—it's just to let you know the two comic strips will not appear in The Stars and Stripes for several days.

Last week's mail failed to bring the strips, but frantic cables brought the information last night that they were on their way to the ETO and should arrive about Thursday.

Sorry soldiers—we'll miss 'em, too.

# Strong German Counter-Attack Repelled in Italy

## Canadians Fight on Fringe Of Ortona; 5th Holds Mountain Positions

The Allies rocked the Germans back on their heels yesterday, repulsing continuous counter-attacks and inflicting heavy losses on the enemy.

As the Fifth Army held their mountain positions overlooking the road to Rome against strong German assaults, Canadian units of the Eighth Army struck out from captured San Leonardo and moved to the outskirts of the key town of Ortona.

The Adriatic port of Ortona is the gateway to a strategic lateral road, the last before the road stretching from Pescara to Rome.

The bitterness of the battle for the city indicated that the Germans were determined to hold it at all costs or at least stall the Eighth Army advance until the main Nazi forces were withdrawn.

Grimly attacking, German troops stormed Fifth Army installations in the mountains near San Pietro and San Vittore only to be thrown back with heavy losses.

At Mount Samucro, outside of the village of San Pietro, which commands the Rome road, strong artillery barrages drove the Germans back.

(A report that the Fifth Army was bringing up reinforcements in the area of Mignano for a large-scale offensive was given last night in a broadcast from Berlin by Karl Praegner, the German military commentator.)

(Saying that major tank and artillery forces were being brought up, Praegner declared that new landings in western Italy were likely.)

On the Adriatic front, the Eighth Army, hampered by stubborn German resistance and muddy ground, consolidated its bridgeheads and made local gains along the coast. German counter-attacks, supported by tanks, were repulsed.

After a fierce struggle in the gulleys north of captured San Leonardo, Canadian units of the Eighth Army engaged the crack German 90th Light Infantry before Ortona.

Heavy fighting raged near Guardia-grele, the junction of roads leading to Chieti, Ortona and Casoli.

# Revenge Raids Not All Bluff

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12—Nazi warnings of a "terrific revenge" against England are not entirely fictitious threats, according to Brig. Gen. Curtis E. LeMay who recently arrived in America after service with the Eighth Air Force in Britain.

Leader of one of the Eighth Bomber Command's four pioneer heavy bomb groups, Gen. LeMay today said that German threats "aren't all bluff and we think we know what the plan is."

"If we could put 1,000 planes over Germany every day we could win the war before summer," said Gen. LeMay. "It would so reduce German resistance that a land invasion would not be over costly."

Gen. LeMay, who led the Regensburg-Africa shuttle raid, also said the War Department authorized him to say he had inspected the B29, new super Fortress, and felt it was a "pretty good plane."

In New York, meanwhile, it was disclosed that B29s are being produced in at least three plants operated by Bell Aircraft Corp., Marietta, Ga.; Boeing plant in Seattle and the Glenn Martin factories near Omaha, Neb.

Details of the super bomber's equipment has never been released, but it is believed to be larger, more heavily armed, have a bigger bomb capacity and longer range than the B17 series.

## Secret Weapon Striking Leningrad, Sweden Hears

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 12 (UP)—The Germans have put their secret weapon to work to bombard Leningrad, the Stockholm Svenska Morgenbladet quoted travellers arriving from Berlin yesterday.

The reports are linked with recent Russian announcements that Leningrad was being bombed night and day with explosives and incendiaries. The bombing was said to have been of such a scale the people did not know whether the missiles were coming from the air or land.

## 12 Nazi Fighters Destroy Lone Plane off Portugal

LISBON, Portugal (Reuter)—Twelve German fighters jumped a four-engined U.S. bomber flying toward London off the south coast of Portugal, and after a fight lasting several minutes the U.S. plane was shot into the sea.

The sole survivor, McCoy, was picked up by a fishing vessel. It was not believed here that any important personalities were on board.

## GIs Sing in Aid of British Fund

American soldiers appeared yesterday at a concert at the Empire Theater, Chiswick, in aid of the welfare fund of the Royal Fusiliers' City Cadet Force. The entertainers included a Negro chorus from a Quartermaster truck battalion, a Negro quartet from an ordnance depot company, Cpl. Clair Schaeffer, and Pvt. Berry Barnum, of Los Angeles, singers.

## Pop Hopkins' EM Son Doubles in Brass in Iran

TEHERAN, Dec. 12 (AP)—A British colonel was amazed when it was reported that an American corporal without a pass had entered the British legation Nov. 30 seeking a place to wash his hands before going in to the Churchill birthday party.

The corporal, brought before the colonel, produced his identity card reading "Hopkins" and explained that his father Harry had invited him. He washed his hands and ate.

## Five More Subs Sent to Bottom

### 3 Damaged in Epic Atlantic Air-Sea Battle, Third Great Recent Clash

Another staggering blow has been dealt Hitler's U-boats in the Atlantic, five more being destroyed and three damaged in the third big recent engagement between Allied warships and planes against the submarines.

The story of the latest battle, revealed in a combined Admiralty and Air Ministry communique yesterday, was the same as in the two previous clashes, when not a single warship was lost and more than 99 per cent. of Allied convoys being protected got through safely.

Three aircraft were damaged in the most recent engagement, two being forced down into the sea. But a majority of their crews was rescued.

It was estimated that no fewer than 20 U-boats were in the force found stalking two convoys in the North Atlantic, separated by about 60 miles. Several attacks were made by warships, which dropped depth charges, and the battle continued for two days and two nights. Aircraft were credited with three of the five kills.

As in the previous two engagements, a U.S. Navy squadron under Cmdr. C. L. Westhofen took part.

Meanwhile, a statement issued in Washington under the joint authority of President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill said that the number of vessels sunk by U-boats in November was less than in any month since May, 1940.

The statement pointed out that by means of aircraft operating from the Azores—first evidence that these islands were being used under the recent agreement with Portugal—protection for convoys had been increased. The number of U-boats sunk in November "again exceeded the number of their victims," the statement said.

It was believed that the Allies' victory in the Battle of the Atlantic may well have cost the Germans 300 submarines.

## Arnold - - - -

bigger the load of bombs we can carry," he asserted, adding "a 24-hour, 360-degree bombing of Germany is about ready to start."

Indicating that the Allies may have aerial surprises to spring on the Nazis, Arnold declared:

"We hope to use planes of newer types in such numbers that, with the aid of the Russians and the British, no part of Germany or the satellite nations will be secure against bombing."

The Germans have nothing to look forward to except ever-increasing numbers of homeless, greater difficulties and fewer comforts as results of the planned air assault, he said.

Citing the build-up of American heavy bomber strength in England and in this theater, the general added that "as the number of bombers increases, percentage losses are going to decrease. Operations from Italy will force the Germans to spread their defenses thin."

## Farms for Soldiers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (UP)—Sen. George D. Aiken (R-Vt.) has proposed that soldiers be given farms after the war. He said he would like to see ex-soldiers out in the country "where they can best raise a family."

## Negro Bishop Pegs a Ping Pong Ball



Bishop James Andrew Gregg, of the African Methodist Church, now touring Negro military installations of the ETO, shows his skill at ping pong while visiting a Red Cross club for colored troops in London. Watching are: Cpl. Price Kirkpatrick, Hattiesburg, Miss.; S/Sgt. Joseph S. Willson, Cairo, Ill.; Tpr. Charles V. Barnes, St. Joseph, Mich.; Canadian Army; Cpl. Harold Breland, Hattiesburg, Miss., and Pvt. Homer Ransom, St. Augustine, Fla.

## They're Going Back to States



First WACs in the ETO picked for OCS in the States, Pfc Sally Newby, Indianapolis, Ind. (left), and T/4 Violet Bachmann, Richmond Hill, N.Y., expect to be home by Dec. 25. They report Dec. 28 at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.

## 2 WACs Here Get Trip Home (To OCS) for Christmas Gift

Christmas came early for two WACs in the ETO yesterday when it was announced that they will be sent back to America for officers' training as soon as transportation can be arranged.

First WACs selected for OCS from this theater, T/4 Violet Bachmann, of Richmond Hill, N.Y., and Pfc Sally Newby, of Indianapolis will report to Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., on Dec. 28, giving them a chance to spend Christmas at home.

Sgt. Bachmann, one of the first five WACs to arrive in Britain in May, and Pfc Newby were among 20 applicants from two battalions who answered a recent call for officers' candidates.

Explaining the small number of applications, officers at WAC headquarters said the girls passed up potential officers' training and a chance to get home because they could not be assured of returning to Britain.

The first OCS selectees from Britain are stenographers, Sgt. Bachmann with ETOUSA headquarters and Pfc Newby with a bomb division headquarters of Eighth Bomber Command.

According to Maj. Anna Wilson, WAC commander in the ETO, officer candidates will be sent to the States for training when quotas for future classes are allotted to this theater.

## 11th Raid in Row On Jap Island

ALLIED HQ, Southwest Pacific, Dec. 12 (AP)—For the eleventh day running, the Cape Gloucester area of New Britain, in danger of invasion by Gen. MacArthur's New Guinea forces, was pounded by Allied bombers.

Allied headquarters announced that Mitchells hitting their targets from the minimum altitude, had delivered the latest attack in the series which has showered about 1,000 tons of bombs on that small area.

The air assault on the enemy's supplies was coordinated with a naval action by P-T boats which sank or set on fire five barges in the New Guinea and New Britain sectors.

On Houn Gulf two Australian columns last night were still forcing the Japs to retreat.

The main Allied force now is in possession of the village of Bazulo, a mile and a half west of Wareo. Patrols were moving forward from this position.

Liberators of the 7th Air Force dropped more than 40 tons of bombs on Jap-held Jaluit Atoll, in the Marshall Islands, late on Wednesday, and also attacked Taroo, Adm. Chester Nimitz revealed today.

## Tydings Sees 23,000,000 Out of Work After War

CHICAGO, Dec. 12 (UP)—Sen. Millard R. Tydings (D-Md.) predicted in a speech here that there would be at least 23,000,000 unemployed in the nation after the war because of Government extravagance and inefficiency.

Tydings offered a remedy of drastic cuts in all non-military expenditures and an investigation of all war appropriations.

## 'Rommel Anti-Invasion Chief'

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 12 (AP)—German reports said today that Rommel had been appointed anti-invasion chief to prepare for an Allied attack on western Europe. Berlin dispatches said although tension still was great in the Balkans over a possible Allied land invasion, German military experts expect the biggest attack in the west.

## Raids - - - -

fired rockets, but they missed. Then I zoomed up in back of the bombers and saw six Me110s. I came in from behind these as they made a left turn, so I closed on the third plane to the left and started firing. There were strikes on the fuselage and heavy strikes on the right wing, which collapsed. One of the men, probably the pilot, bailed out. I headed for the next plane and registered a 'kill' without even firing at it, because both the pilot and gunner bailed out immediately."

Pilots destroying two enemy planes were: 1/Lt. Robill W. Roberts, New Boston, Tex.; 1/Lt. Joe H. Powers, Tulsa, Okla.; and Lt. Donovan F. Smith, Miles, Mich.

While snow was reported in the Straits of Dover during the time the bombers were out, combat crews said they flew above the weather, beyond a thick overcast which hid the North Sea, and came into good visibility as they moved into the target zone.

Over the weekend, too, the British Air Ministry announced that last month's percentage of losses, despite four major attacks on Berlin, was as low as any month in 1943 since February. In August the percentage—the exact figure was not revealed—was equally low. While no official percentage ever has been released on British air losses, it has been assumed that they ranged in the neighborhood of five per cent, or a little less—roughly similar to the USAAF's daytime loss figure.

## Live Bomb -

hangar for repairs to previous raid damage) "ever so gently" and then headed for chow.

Crews quickly made the bomb harmless and wheeled the Fort away.

Other members of Martin's crew were: 2/Lt. David A. Nichols, co-pilot, of Portland, Ore.; 2/Lt. John R. Sampson, bombardier, of Lowell, Ariz.; 2/Lt. Casimir A. Martzyk, navigator, of Chicago; T/Sgt. Joseph Napolitan, radio operator, of Brooklyn, N.Y.; T/Sgt. Norris Friedlander, top turret gunner, of Greensburg, Pa.; S/Sgt. Carl R. Coney, ball turret gunner, of Three Rivers, Mich.; S/Sgt. John R. Palmer, right waist gunner, of Akron, Ohio; S/Sgt. Alvin H. Miller, left waist gunner, of Cleveland; and S/Sgt. Rudy L. Davis, tail gunner, of Louisville, Ky.

# London Officers Get New Mess, Billets System

## 1,178 May Be Fed at Once At the Grosvenor House Under Revised Plan

A new consolidated officers' mess, large enough to accommodate 1,178 at one sitting, will open Wednesday morning in the Grosvenor House, Park Lane and Upper Grosvenor St., it was announced yesterday by ETOUSA headquarters.

Designed to relieve congestion in messing facilities for officers stationed in London, the new installation is under the direction of Central Base Section and is open to all U.S. military and civilian personnel entitled to officers' mess privileges.

The opening of the new mess also marks the closing of repairs and re-furnishing of the senior officers' mess at 45 Park Lane and the junior officers' mess at 8 South Audley St. The officers' mess at 44 Grosvenor Sq. will continue to operate as an annex to the new consolidated mess and will serve meals at the same hours and prices as the Grosvenor House mess, it was said.

The consolidated mess hours are: Breakfast, 7 to 9; lunch, 11.30 to 3; dinner, 5.30 to 8. On Sundays, breakfast hours are from 7.30 to 9.30. The price of breakfast is 1s. 6d., lunch and dinner 2s. each.

The opening of the new mess follows a recent announcement of a change in officers' monetary allowances and per diem under which officers living in quarters not provided by the government will be reimbursed for their living expenses, up to \$4 a day. Personnel affected must submit vouchers for reimbursement.

The change also cuts off the extra allowance of \$1.25 for rations previously paid to officers on per diem. Subsistence allowance will not be paid to officers while they are sick in government hospitals, according to the change, but those retaining quarters at their permanent stations may be reimbursed for expenses not exceeding 15 days of hospitalization.

Enlisted men for whom quarters and messing facilities are not available also will receive reimbursement for the actual cost of quarters and subsistence, up to \$2 a day for quarters and \$2 a day for rations.

# 1,400 Orphans At Yank Party

A WEST COAST PORT, England, Dec. 12—A large American motorized convoy rolled through the streets here today carrying 1,400 British children from seven nearby orphanages to the second of a country-wide series of movie parties planned by U.S. soldiers in cooperation with The Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund Committee. The first, for 650 children, was given Oct. 10, in London.

The festivities here included a showing of the movie, "My Friend Flicka," a story of friendship between a boy and a horse, followed by shorts and other entertainment lasting two hours. One of the star attractions was Hollywood's original "Donald Duck"—Pvt. Joe Allen, of "This Is The Army," which opens tomorrow in Liverpool. Allen formerly supplied the voice in the "Donald Duck" films.

Then the children piled back into the trucks and were taken to army messes for the eats. Every guest had a GI waiter, and at one camp there was a rotund soldier Santa Claus to entertain, while sandwiches, donuts, cocoa, candy and gum were handed round.

Singing and games topped off the five-hour program.

## Storm Sweeps Rocky Mts.; 2 Die, 4 Injured, 2 Missing

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., Dec. 12—Two persons were dead, at least four were injured and two were missing as the result of the first big blizzard in the Rocky Mountains. The storm blew down from Wyoming through Colorado and into New Mexico.

A navy recruit, Patricio Lucero, was electrocuted here when a 60-mile gale tore down electric wires, and his father, Fernando, was injured. The lowest temperature in the three states affected by the storm was registered at Big Piney, Wyo., with 15 degrees below zero. The storm swept through western Nebraska, western Kansas, the Texas panhandle and parts of Oklahoma and Arizona.

## AFN Radio Program

- Monday, Dec. 13
- 1100—GI Live.
- 1115—Personal Album—The Pied Pipers.
- 1130—Hall and Hall.
- 1200—Gerald Orchestra.
- 1230—Northern Orchestra.
- 1255—Quiet Moment.
- 1300—World News (BBC).
- 1310—Serenade.
- 1315—Salute to Rhythm (BBC).
- 1400—Sign off until 1745 hours.
- 1745—Program Resume—Spotlight on Tony Pastor.
- 1800—World News (BBC).
- 1810—GI Supper Club.
- 1900—"Seven o'Clock Sports," presented by The Stars and Stripes.
- 1905—Red Skelton.
- 1930—Command Performance.
- 2000—News from Home—Nightly roundup of news from the U.S.A., presented by The Stars and Stripes.
- 2010—Fred Waring Program.
- 2025—This Week in Science.
- 2030—Burns and Allen.
- 2100—World News (BBC).
- 2110—Your Theater Hour.
- 2205—Meet the Band—Jimmy Dorsey.
- 2225—Final Edition.
- 2330—Sign off until 1100 hours, Tuesday, Dec. 14.

# Christmas Will Forge New Links With British

## Yanks Planning Parties for Kids All Over U.K.

### Infantry to Play Santa to 9,500; Tons of Gifts On Hand From U.S.

By Charles F. Kiley  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

American soldiers sitting with families in chairs left empty by British sons gone to war. . . .  
Under-privileged English children, to whom Santa Claus and Father Christmas are almost forgotten memories, as guests of Yanks at Yuletide parties throughout the United Kingdom.  
Thousands of America's fighting men grasping moments of holiday spirit during a few hours of relief from aerial combat, invasion preparations and other Army duties. . . .  
That is a broad picture of what Christmas, 1943, will be in Britain for the second AEF 3,000 miles and more from home.

#### Santa to Remember Orphans

For the most part, the soldiers' Christmas spirit will be showered on kids too young to know why, but who have been orphaned and left wanting since war flooded the world more than four years ago.

In British homes, too, will be forged new links of Anglo-American friendship when average American soldiers sit down with average British people, each with something to give.

The children's parties will be conducted on a larger scale than last year, mainly because of the increase in U.S. personnel in the British Isles.

Appeals by soldiers to families in America, some of which were turned into newspaper campaigns, have brought tons of children's gifts in packages that would otherwise contain Christmas presents for the men. These gifts, to be distributed at parties, have been supplemented by thousands of toys manufactured by soldiers themselves in their spare time.

Special gifts of candy, gum, cookies, etc., will be supplied from rations pooled for months and from GI cooks with talents for stretching supplies.

#### Refugee Kids to be Feted

Probably the biggest job of spreading Christmas cheer undertaken by a single unit is the series of 40 parties for more than 9,500 British, French and Belgian evacuated and refugee children.

They will be staged between Saturday and Jan. 5 by men of a U.S. infantry division and directed by Chaplains James R. McAllister, of Boydton, Va., and H. F. Donovan, of Baltimore, Md. Women from the American Red Cross and British welfare organizations are undertaking a vast baking program, soldiers are dusting off Santa Claus outfits, and candy rations are being collected. When the material gifts run out, cash presents will be made to the children from a \$2,000 fund voluntarily raised by the men.  
Another of the bigger parties scheduled is one being arranged for Dec. 24 by officers and men of an Eighth Air Force Service Command station, who will entertain 1,000 evacuees and orphans at dinner and movies. Many of the gifts for this party came as the result of an appeal by 180 men of a signal company, commanded by Lt. Harry B. Raff. To provide gift stockings, the station parachute department salvaged discarded muslin and went to work.  
In progress throughout units of Eastern Base Section is a "Christmas Friendship Plan," instituted by Col. Ewart G. Plank, EBS commander, and subscribed to by every unit capable of entertaining children in the dozens of towns in the EBS area.

#### Workshops Turn Out Toys

An engineer unit of EBS set up a workshop where 1/Lt. James J. Corral supervised the manufacture of model airplanes, ships, tanks and other toys from scraps of metal and wood. Blueprints for the toys were furnished.

Capt. Joseph G. Ryan, commander of a QM unit from Anderson, Ind., and M/Sgt. Newton R. Calhoun, of Bridgeport, Conn., are others in charge of parties by EBS units.

Units of ETO headquarters are starting children's parties as early as Dec. 18, when a U.S. general depot entertains under-privileged kids from London's East End. The following afternoon part of an engineer detachment's party will be recorded by BBC and later broadcast to America.

Four hundred children from Paddington will be guests of the Yanks Dec. 23 at Porchester Hall, London, thanks to a couple of master sergeants who conceived the idea of defraying expenses for the party by tossing pennies into a glass in a pub near Paddington. The sergeants are Clifford J. Moran, of Madison, Wis., and George A. Lawton Jr., of New York, who head an Anglo-American committee in charge of the party. They also rounded up 50 GI volunteers to wear white whiskers and red suits while distributing gifts. The Mayor of Paddington leads the civilian committee.

On the afternoon of Dec. 24 patients, officers and nurses of a station hospital are entertaining 25 orphans of British merchant seamen.

At an Eighth Air Force Ordnance Depot soldiers have been repairing-broken toys collected from orphanages, hospitals and evacuee homes in the depot area. Under 2/Lt. Joseph E. Ashker, special



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo

With Christmas less than two weeks away, PXs throughout the ETO are adopting the Yuletide motif in decorations. Pfc Michael Mantredo, of New York, places a carton of cigarettes high on a Christmas tree in one ETO sales store, while S/Sgt. Herman Boy, of New Rochelle, N.Y., looks on.



U.S. Army Air Force Photo

This scene will be duplicated hundreds of times throughout the United Kingdom in the coming two weeks as servicemen all over the ETO plan Christmas parties for British children. Photo was taken at a USAAF Air Service Command station when a Depot Repair Squadron gave a party for Derek —, an orphan sponsored through The Stars and Stripes fund, and his two brothers. M/Sgt. Donald H. Nease, of Gettysburg, Ohio, hands Derek the first of seven big boxes of candy and gum.

service officer from Niagara Falls, N.Y., the men set up a workshop called "Ye Olde Hobbee Shoppe," and with funds donated by the battalion purchased lathes, drills and other tools with which to repair and repaint the toys. T/Sgt. Harry Norton, of Newburyport, Mass., is shop foreman.

Christmas preparations and children's parties are not confined only to soldiers. The WACs at ETOUSA headquarters are entertaining 80 sons and daughters of Red Cross volunteer workers Dec. 22 at the WAC service club, 47 Charles St.,

London. Toys made by WACs in the Eighth Air Force will be distributed at the party.

The first war orphan sponsored by the WACs through The Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund will be the guest of honor at the party. The orphan, seven-year-old Muriel, whose father was an RAF aviator killed during an attack in April on Cape Bon, Africa, will be dressed in a WAC uniform made from salvaged clothing.

Under-privileged children also will be entertained at other WAC installations

where the GI Janes are making holiday decorations from cans and photographers' used flash bulbs.

#### 'Open Night' at WAC Billets

For their own Christmas the girls working out of ETOUSA headquarters will have "Open Night" for guests at their billets on Christmas night.

Officers who do not receive holiday greeting cards from fellow-officers need not think war has affected Christmas spirit. It will be because of an ETOUSA circular asking officers to conserve paper stocks in the U.K. by eliminating the

customary "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, old boy."

For the entertainment of soldiers, the American Red Cross is arranging elaborate holiday programs for Christmas. British families have filed more invitations with Special Service Sections than there have been applications by soldiers.

This will be Christmas. In Berlin the people have been told they will not have Christmas trees because of a manpower shortage. In Britain the U.S. Quartermaster Corps will deliver a Christmas tree to every American unit by Dec. 25.

## 14 USO Shows Are Out on Tour

### Two New Ones Bring List To Record 14; Schedule For Week Revealed

USO-Camp Shows hit a new ETO high today with 14 units out on tour, including two new ones—"Flying High" and "Booms A Daisy." All except eight of the 18 entertainers who arrived from the States in the last two weeks now are touring. The others are knocking another show into shape before taking off, probably a week from today.

Officials have promised that entertainers from home will be checking in here just as fast as travel reservations can be made for them, to give units out in the sticks the best coverage possible.

"Flying High," scheduled for Herfordshire, stars Al Bernie, one of the ETO's veteran comedians; Bale and Faye, swing singers; Aileen Hunter, singer and accordionist; Rene Pougnet, pianist; Leo O'Connor, drummer; Charles H. Dunaway and Joseph Russo, violinist and guitarist; and Jack Powell, drummer.

Ewon Hail, MC and singer, leads "Booms A Daisy," booked for Somerset. Cast: Consola and Melba, dancers; Evans family, dance team; Phyllis Coit, comedy singer; Jack McCloud, banjoist; Billy Donachie, pianist; and Les Roy, drummer.

Other new arrivals: Johnny Woods, comedian; Cabot and Dresden, adagio dance team; Al Goodhart, pianist and composer; Evelyn Case, concert singer, and Joe Termini, comedian and instrumentalist, all from New York, and Dorothy Wenzel, Pittsburgh, singer.

Billy Gilbert and Ella McKenzie, stars of "Hullabaloo," continue with their unit in Northern Ireland.

The other units, with their locations for the week, are:

Liverpool Area—"On With the Show," George Freema, comedian; Canfield Smith, ventriloquist; Cereval—"Bubbling Over," Sid Marion and Cliff Hall, comedians.  
Dorset—"Band Wagon," Willie Shore, comedian; Josephine Del Mar, singer and dancer; solid band.  
Wales—"Yanksoppin'," Gall Kendal, singer and dancer; 13 soldier-trouper. "Swingtime," Grace Drysdale, puppet entertainer; Freddy Morgan, MC and banjoist.  
Berkshire—"Rudy Starita and his Starites," Rudy Starita, vibraphonist; Lillian Anderson, trombonist.  
Bedford—"At Ease," Hank Ladd, comedian; Francetta Malloy, singer; five-piece soldier band.  
Hampshire—"Full Speed Ahead," Carl Nixon and Carmen Sands, comedy team. "GI Gang," 11 soldier-entertainers led by Sgt. Harold Boutlier.  
Norfolk—"U.S.A. Calling," Frankie Coaville, comedian; Penny Beaumont, accordionist.  
Northampton Area—"Fun Marches On," Don Rice, MC and comedian; Dorothy Deering, acrobatic dancer.

#### No Sweden-Nazi Sports

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 12 (AP)—Sweden has unofficially broke athletic relations with Germany as a result of the arrest and deportation of Oslo University students by the Nazis. Two Swedish sport association presidents said it was impossible to continue sport relations with Germany as long as war lasts.

## Grimsby Flies U.S. Flag Today To Mark ARC Club Birthday

Officials of Grimsby will join in the first anniversary celebration of the town's American Red Cross service club this week. An American flag will be hoisted over the Town Hall at 11 AM today, by a color guard composed of American, British and RAF forces. The mayor of Grimsby will then be host to army, city and ARC executives at lunch.

Other events include the mayor's reception to the armed forces Wednesday, dinners for officers and EMOs, and breakfast in bed Sunday morning for winners of a "spot dance" at the club Saturday night.

Pre-holiday dances and parties are included in the activities of clubs outside the London area during the week. Programs for the London clubs appear in Thursday's paper; those of the other clubs follow:

**Grimsby**  
Monday—Hoisting American flag over Town Hall insulating Grimsby's American Red Cross anniversary week, 11 AM; luncheon by mayor of Grimsby for army, city and ARC officials, 12:30 PM; luncheon for forces, 12:30 PM; variety entertainment, 9:30 PM. Tuesday—Sports night at Westward Ho gym, 7:30 PM. Wednesday—Mayor's reception to armed forces, 1 PM. Thursday—Dinner for U.S. soldiers, 8:30 PM; cabaret dance, 8 PM. Friday—"GI Escapades," 8 PM. Saturday—Formal birthday ball, 8 PM. Sunday—Open house, 3 PM; concert, 8 PM.

**Hanley**  
Monday—Games night, 7 PM. Tuesday—Dancing class, 8 PM. Wednesday—Tour of Spode pottery, 11 AM; dance, 7:30 PM. Thursday—Square dancing, 7:30 PM. Friday—Movies, 7 PM. Saturday—Dance, 7:30 PM. Sunday—Classical recordings, 11 AM; tour of Trentham Gardens, 2 PM; table tennis tournament, 2 PM; coffee hour, 4 PM.

**Ipswich**  
Monday—House committee, 8 PM. Tuesday—Movies, 8 PM. Wednesday—GI talent night, 7:30 PM. Thursday—Concert party, 7:30 PM. Friday—Dance, 8 PM. Saturday—Games night, 7:30 PM. Sunday—Music hour, 4 PM; dance, 8 PM.

**Reading**  
Monday—Square dancing, 8:30 PM. Tuesday—Informal discussion, 8 PM. Wednesday—Acoustic music, 6 PM. Thursday—Dancing class, 7:30 PM. Friday—Movies, 7:30 PM. Saturday—Dance, 7:30 PM. Sunday—Dance, 7 PM.

**Oxford**  
Monday—Discussion group, 7:30 PM. Tuesday—Dancing lesson, 8 PM. Wednesday—Dance, 8:30 PM. Thursday—Hospital party, 5 PM; movies, 9:30 PM. Friday—Movies, 9:30 PM. Saturday—Dance, 8:30 PM. Sunday—Dance, 8:30 PM.

**Swindon**  
Monday—Christmas tree workshop, 7:30-10 PM; table tennis, 7-11 PM. Tuesday—Holly gathering expedition, 2:30-4 PM; dance, 8-11 PM. Wednesday—Variety show, 7:30-9 PM; movies, 9:10-10 PM. Thursday—Square dance, 6:45-8 PM; dance, 8-11 PM. Friday—Table tennis, 8-11 PM. Saturday—Table tennis, 7-11 PM; Christmas tree trimming, 7:30-9:30 PM. Sunday—Recorded music, 3-4 PM; table tennis, 4:15-6:30 PM; dance, 8-11 PM.

**Norwich**  
Monday—Movies, 8 PM. Tuesday—Quiz, 8 PM; Classical recordings, 9 PM. Wednesday—Tour of cathedral, 2 PM; New England states' night, 7:30 PM. Thursday—Picnic and fishing, 10 AM; Beginners' dancing, 7:45 PM. Friday—French class, 8 PM. Saturday—"Buggy ride" through Norwich, 3 PM; dance, 7:30 PM. Sunday—Dinner and theater party, 6 PM; bingo, 8 PM. Sunday—Musical tea, 3:30 PM; bridge and pinocle, 8 PM.

**Cheltenham**  
Monday—Camera club, 7:30 PM; math fundamentals for air crew trainees, 7:30 PM; beginners' photography class, 8 PM; beginners' dancing class, 8 PM; advanced dancing class, 9 PM. Tuesday—American-British club, 7:15 PM; movies, 8:15 PM. Wednesday—Advanced French class, 7:30 PM. Thursday—Beginners' French class, 7:30 PM; dance, 8:15 PM. Friday—American-British musical circle, 7:45 PM; beginners' tango class,

## Orphan Fund Up £1,666 in Week

### Total Rises to £34,046; Depot Contributes £224; \$10 Comes From States

The Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund was swelled £1,666 18s. 1d. last week. One group increased the number of children it is sponsoring from one to three and started raising funds for a fourth, and a father of a GI stationed in the ETO mailed \$10 from Alabama.

The contributions boosted the fund total for providing orphans "with extra things" for five years, to £34,046 19s. 6d.

Biggest single check came from an army depot which already is sponsoring Rita S. The organization sent £224—£100 for each of two children and the remainder for a fourth child.

George J. Schonberger, whose son, Howard, is with a bomb group in England, enclosed \$10 in a letter from Tadsden, Ala., as "visible evidence of bad judgment on the part of the loyal St. Louis Cardinals' fans who regarded the Yankees as a pushover."

Members of the — General Dispensary joined in collecting £16 in memory of the recently deceased father of one of its personnel, T/S Louis J. Giannoni. Maj. William B. Ryder said that "friends of the boys here and in the States donated the money."

The chief quartermaster's office at Headquarters, SOS, submitted £100 for its second child. A QM Depot Co. "paid" for one child, asking for a blue-eyed blonde and made a partial payment on a second. The collection drive was led by Capt. D. L. Brame.

Other groups to sponsor children were Headquarters Co., — POE; Co. A, — Engineers; — Fighter Squadron; — Service Squadron; Headquarters, — Air-drome Squadron; — Station Complement; Headquarters, — Station Complement; — MP Co.; — Bomb Squadron; — Fighter Squadron with £117; and — QM Truck Co.

ping pong tournament, featuring leading English players, 4 PM; movies, 8:15 PM; cartoon, 8:45 PM. Daily—Swimming, horseback riding, bicycling and golf.

**Salisbury**  
Monday—Photographs of China at peace and war, 12:30 PM; basketball games, 7 PM; piano and accordion session, 8 PM. Tuesday—Movies, 7 PM; card party, 8:30 PM; dancing class, 8:30 PM; basketball games, 9 PM. Wednesday—Dance, 7:30 PM; symphonic hour, 8 PM. Thursday—Musical tea, 3:30 PM; basketball games, 7:30 PM; piano and accordion session, 8:30 PM. Friday—Boxing show, 7:30 PM. Saturday—Musical tea, 3:30 PM; dance, 7:30 PM. Sunday—Tour of Salisbury Cathedral, 1:30 PM; symphonic hour, 3 PM; tea dance, 4 PM; ENSA musical show, 7:30 PM; basketball game, 9 PM.

**Southport**  
Monday—Dancing class, 8 PM. Tuesday—Movies, 2 PM; bridge, 8 PM. Wednesday—Dance, 8 PM. Friday—Lounge activity, 7 PM. Saturday—Dance, 8 PM. Sunday—Open house, 3 PM; supper dance, 5 PM.

**Newbury**  
Monday—Classical recordings, 7:30 PM; movies, 8:30 PM. Tuesday—Dance, 8 PM. Wednesday—Movies, 8:30 PM. Thursday—Dance, 8 PM. Friday—German class, 8 PM. Saturday—Band concert, 8:30 PM.

# Judge Landis Voids Camilli Contract With Oakland

## He Must Obtain Transfer From New York Club

### Expect Deal to Go Through Eventually as Both Clubs Are For It

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Dolph Camilli's signing with the Oakland club of the Pacific Coast League as manager for two years has been termed illegal by Judge Kenesaw M. Landis, baseball commissioner.

Leslie O'Connor, Landis' secretary, said that Camilli had not yet filed an application with the commissioner's office for a transfer and therefore must still be considered the property of the New York Giants.

"Camilli still is Giant property and under the rules cannot sign another contract without being transferred from New York and being declared a free agent," O'Connor said.

The matter of Camilli's signing a legal contract, however, appeared only a matter of time, apparently, as the Giants and Oakland club reached an agreement during the recent meetings allowing Camilli to accept the job as Oakland manager.

### Action May Result In Draft Change

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—The reluctance of Judge Landis to approve the deal which permitted Dolph Camilli to sign as manager of Oakland may lead to a battle for revision of the draft law at the next baseball meetings. For giving up Camilli to the Oaks, the Giants received an option on Bill Rigney, Oakland shortstop, now in the Navy.

Landis, in withholding his approval, indicated that he objected to selling and trading players in the service. He pointed out that Rigney is still the subject of the baseball draft. Should Rigney return to organized baseball before the next draft meeting, he would be a choice plum for the American League club finishing last in 1944, as the leagues alternate for first pick each season.

#### Giants Had First Choice

The Giants had first choice last meeting, choosing Hal Luby, Rigney's team mate and keystone partner. They could have chosen Rigney, but needed solid foundation in rebuilding the team.

Rigney has been in the service some months and is playing an excellent game for St. Mary's Pre-Flight nine, managed by Charley Gehring, former Detroit standby. One of Rigney's biggest boosters, a man who knows baseball and players, is Frank "Lefty" O'Doul, former major leaguer and one of the few players who wore the livery of the Giants, Yankees and Dodgers. O'Doul was never more liberal in praise of a player than he was of Rigney at the recent baseball meetings in New York.

#### Selected Luby

The reason Rigney wasn't drafted this year was the fact that the Giants selected Luby and the law restricts the draft to one player from each team. Several major league clubs were known to be eyeing the shortstop, but as the Giants had first choice due to their dubious honor of finishing last, the other clubs could not touch him or any other player on the Oakland team.

All this may give the majors something to battle about at the annual meetings next year. There has always been some objection to baseball draft rules in their present form and this may give them the opening they have been looking for. Besides, didn't the minor leagues steal the show at the recent meetings with their battle? The big fellows can do the same with a loud battle against the draft.

### Angels Notch 3rd Straight By Downing Beavers, 55-49

AMERICAN SCHOOL CENTER, Dec. 12.—The ASC Angels outscored the SBS Engineer Beavers Friday night, 55-49, for their third straight success. Although the Beavers came back strong after a slow start and had the game going see-saw most of the way, the Angels hit their stride in the late minutes and went on to win going away.

Scoring honors for the Angels were shared by T/Sgt. Reid Moy, of Galaway, N.Y., and Cpls. Malcolm Gordon, of Baltimore, and Fran Hecker, of New Orleans, with ten points each. Topping the losers and high scorer for the game was Cpl. Bill Blake, of Newberry, N.Y., with 16 points.

### College of Pacific Wilts Before March Field, 19-0

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 12.—Ames Alonzo Stagg's College of the Pacific eleven wilted before the superior power of the March Field Fliers of the Fourth Air Force and lost, 19-0, in a charity game here yesterday.

Stagg's charges threatened in the first period, but the Fliers, sprinkled with professionals and All-Americans, gathered strength behind line-busting Bob De Fruiter, former Nebraska ace, to score in the first, third and fourth periods.

### Now What?

### By Jack Sords



## World Series Movies Provide Grandstand Seat at Classic

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Three cameras ground constantly throughout the recent World Series, one trained on the batter and catcher, one on the pitcher and the other equipped with a special lens following the play all over the field. The result is a 22-minute film bringing the highlights to American troops throughout the world. The excellent job turned in by the American League on the pictures is almost as good as the job they did on the Cardinals.

This is the tenth annual baseball movie produced by the League under Lew Fonseca's direction, but is entirely different from its predecessors. The former films were technical treatises on how to hit curves, how to slide without breaking an ankle and other dry material. The current edition brings back plays for those who were many miles from the Yankee Stadium and Sportman's Park.

They will realize what a football player Johnny Lindell is when they view the slide that almost knocked Whitey Kurovski's ears off and set the stage for the murderous Yankee rally that sank the Cards in the eighth stanza of the third game. They will see Mort Cooper liter-



Johnny Lindell

ally pitching his heart out trying to concentrate on the ball game despite the knowledge that his father died a few hours before in Missouri. They will see the Yankees run bases while Walker Cooper vainly seeks Max Lanier's wild pitch lying a few yards behind him, and other plays still discussed by the fans.

The American League selected the subject for this year's film especially for servicemen and displayed admirable confidence in the Yankees, who had been severely thumped by the speedy Cardinals last year. Of the 600 prints of the film, almost 300 already have gone from the States to overseas stations.

Several interesting features of the Series are shown again, settling old arguments and starting new ones. The films bring out the fact that the Yankee eighth-inning third game rally started when Lefty Al Brazle shook off Walker Cooper's sign and delivered the pitch which Johnny Lindell belted into left field for a single. Lanier's wild pitch and Cooper's vain search are shown, while Frank Crosetti and Bill Johnson happily run the bases.

Joe Gordon's first-game homer is shown as a high, fast ball with a 3-1 count. The climax of the picture, naturally, is Bill Dickey's homer in the fifth game at St. Louis, giving the Yankees the Series. Babe Ruth opens the film with a short speech. The realization that time flies comes when it becomes evident that the Bambino needed glasses to read the script. The eyes that picked out 714 good pitches and knocked them from the park aren't what they used to be.

## Toronto Upsets Canadiens, 4-2

TORONTO, Dec. 12.—An inspired Toronto Maple Leaf sextet came from behind in the third period here last night to tally three goals and down the National Hockey League leading Canadiens, 4-2, before more than 12,000 spectators. It was Montreal's second loss of the season. Gerry Heffernan took Fernand Majeau's pass in the opening period and went in to score for Montreal. In the next frame, Ray Getliffe tallied on a pass from Murph Chamberlain and less than a minute later Kennedy pushed in the first Toronto goal.

The costly final period saw Babe Prattie score with less than two minutes gone. Then, with the Canucks two men short as the result of Phil Watson's major penalty for hooking, and Majeau also off for hooking, Toronto buzzed the Canadiens' cage and Kennedy netted one, followed by Bill Boothman, to sew up the contest with only two minutes to go.

### Hockey League Standings

	W	L	T	Pts.		W	L	T	Pts.
Montreal	11	2	3	25	Chicago	8	6	0	16
Toronto	8	6	2	18	Detroit	5	5	3	13
Boston	7	6	3	17	New York	0	14	1	1

### Hockey Results

Buffalo 4, Pittsburgh 0  
Cleveland 5, Providence 1  
Hershey 1, Indianapolis 1

## Bruins Smack Rangers, 9-6

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Scoring three times in each period, the Boston Bruins had no trouble in subduing the cellar-bound New York Rangers, 9-6 here last night before a small crowd of 6,000 in the Boston Garden.

Grant Warwick scored for New York in the opening frame, but the Bruins left the ice with a 3-1 margin on the strength of goals by Herb Cain, Buzz Boll and Russ Kopak.

Art Jackson, Cain and Boll netted tallies for Boston in the second stanza while Bryan Hextall and Chuck Scherza scored for the Blueshirts, Hextall going in unassisted.

The final Boston points came on goals in the last period as Bill Cowley, Harvey Jackson and Art Jackson pushed through. Roger Lejer and Ott Heller made unassisted tallies for New York while Warwick, with an assist by Ab DeMarco, added the final point.

### Bithorn With a Winner at Last

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, Dec. 12.—Hiram Bithorn, Chicago Cub pitcher, has been sworn into the Navy and reported last week for active duty. Given a special liberty before reporting to the local Navy station, Bithorn smilingly said, "After playing with a losing team for so long, it's great to get with a winner for a change."

### Wrigley Field Getting 90-Foot Ski Jump Slide

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Wrigley Field, home of the Bears and the Cubs, is to be equipped with a ski jump slide 90 feet high and 250 feet long for the Norge Ski Club meet on Jan. 16.

The club formerly held its meet at Cary, Ill. President Karl Nilsen explained that the meet had been transplanted because of war-time travel stringencies.

The skiers will start above home plate and slide toward center field, then jump distances 100 to 125 feet.

## Flier Harriers Paced by Black

### Former Case Runner Does 2 1/4-Mile Distance In 12:58

By Syd Schapiro

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A BOMBARDMENT STATION, Dec. 12.—The Bombardment Division B team copped four of five medalist positions to defeat the Bombardment Division A team in a dual division cross-country race over a two and three-quarter mile course here yesterday. The winners tallied 18 points, while the losers got 39.

A former collegiate track star, Pvt. Hugh Black, of Massillon, Ohio, led the field of 11 participants with a time of 12:58. Prior to entering the Army, Black ran for the Engineering College of the Case School of Applied Sciences in Cleveland.

Two team mates came in behind him—T/Sgt. Charlie Boyer, of Ft. Madison, Wis., and Sgt. Jim Pemberton, of Isle of Man, England, who did the muddy, rugged course in 13:15 and 13:32 respectively. Pemberton has been living on this side of the Atlantic 17 years, having left the States when he was three.

The lone A team medalist was Cpl. Arthur Eckert, of Brooklyn, N.Y., who took fourth place, while Pvt. Lawrence Rodriguez, also of Brooklyn, B team, was placed fifth.

The first five were awarded medals and the winning team a cup. A team of seven will represent the Eighth Bomber Command in the Eighth Air Force championship Dec. 18. The other two harriers will be Cpl. John Gvora, of Superior, Wis., A team and 1/Lt. Gerald Smith, of Wilmington, Ohio, B team.

## SBS Ringmen Triumph, 4-3

SBS HQ, Dec. 12.—In their first team match of the season, the SBS ringmen squeezed out a close 4-3 decision over the Division squad.

With the count tied, 3-3, as the final fight, Sgt. Howard Adcox, 170-pounder from Seattle, Wash., came through for the SBS squad with a split decision over Pvt. Dan Marchinski, of Hartford, Conn., for the one-but margin.

Here are the summaries of the other bouts:

Pvt. Irving Waters, Gard. Ind., 128, SBS, TKO'd Pvt. Jimmy Cemons, Birmingham, Ala., 124, in the first round.

Pvt. Hewitt Tippens, Brunswick, Ga., 140, Division, outpointed Pvt. Bill Horne, Boston, 142.

Pvt. Don Carlisle, Detroit, SBS, outpointed Pvt. Joe Adan, San Antonio, Texas.

Pfc. Lee Mills, Kansas City, Mo., SBS outpointed Pvt. Glenn Ferguson, Kokomo, Ind.

Pvt. Ralph Tombano, Brooklyn, N.Y., Division, outpointed Pvt. Lafayette Drummond, St. Louis.

Pvt. Nickie Halapack, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Division, TKO'd Sgt. John King, Stamford, Conn., in the second round.

## Basketball Results

Brigham Young 45, Canisius 36  
Brooklyn College 61, Webb Institute 37  
Bucknell 39, Penn State 26  
Dartmouth 52, Cornell 38  
Ellis Island Coast Guard 70, CCNY 61  
Geneva 38, Carnegie Tech 37  
NYU 67, Brooklyn Marines 30  
Penn 58, Yale 31  
Princeton 33, Columbia 31  
Purdue 46, Green Castle Pre-Flight 42  
RPI 59, Williams 56  
Rochester 64, Syracuse Air Base 32

DePaul 56, Nebraska 15  
Glenview Air Base 54, Chicago University 36  
Great Lakes 52, Illinois 44  
Marquette 43, Lawrence 31  
Michigan College 43, Fairmont 24  
Michigan 46, Ft. Custer 44  
Minnesota 54, Iowa Navy 34  
Notre Dame 41, Wisconsin 31  
Oberlin 42, Ohio Wesleyan 41  
Ohio State 60, Ft. Denison 49

Kentucky 66, Indiana 41  
Loyola (Md.) 55, Gallaudet 25  
Oklahoma Aggies 41, Westminster 39  
Quamico Marines 59, Maryland 33  
St. Joseph's 52, Virginia 32  
Tennessee 42, North Carolina 35

### Vic Hanson a Private

SYRACUSE, N.Y., Dec. 12.—Vic Hanson, from 1932 to '36 head football coach at Syracuse University, where he had been an All-American football and basketball player, received special permission to enlist and has been sent to Camp Upton as a private. Hanson is 40 years old and the father of two children.

## Numbers Help Athletes Gain Fame, Fortune

### Return of Hein, Boucher Prompts Scribe to Recall Others

By George Vesey

New York Sun Sports Writer

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Sports fans accustomed to familiar faces in familiar surroundings had double reason to rejoice this fall when a pair of old timers resurrected their paraphernalia from the mothballs and cedar chest to rejoin their team mates on the ice and gridiron.

Their followers undoubtedly would have had difficulty recognizing them if it were not for the fact that they were wearing number seven on their uniforms. And thus it was that Frank Boucher, star center for the New York Rangers in the National Hockey League, and Mel Hein, standout center for the New York professional football Giants, went back into action.

For more than a score of years fans have gotten used to identifying their heroes through the medium of large numbers inscribed on either back or front (in some sports both) of their uniforms. Thus the legend of Hein and Boucher, an example has grown through the years with performances on the hockey rink and gridiron.

#### Grange and His 77

Perhaps the elusive Red Grange set the pattern when he started meandering to and fro during his intercollegiate days at Illinois. Sporting a gaudy 77 on his jersey, he made every youngster 77-conscious with his All-American feats. Practically every freckle-faced kid playing sandlot football wanted a football jersey with 77 inscribed on it.

Earl "Dutch" Clark, former Portsmouth and Detroit Lion, made number seven famous while cavorting on the pro gridiron after gaining fame at Colorado University. Clarence "Ace" Parker, Dodger mainstay, started his football career with number seven and always thereafter insisted on wearing the lucky number.

Another number, made famous by baseball players, is number 11. Lefty Grove, southpaw of the Athletics and Red Sox; Carl Hubbell, famous Giant left-hander; Lefty Gomez, wisecracking Yankee pitcher, and Dixie Walker, pride and joy of the Dodgers, have always prided number 11.

#### Yanks Retired Gehrig's

The late Lou Gehrig batted his way to everlasting fame while sporting number four and the Yanks retired the number and bolted his locker in the Stadium dressing room when he finished his illustrious career. The greatest slugger of all time, Babe Ruth, started wearing number three when he joined the Yanks and insisted on donning it each season. There was great hue and cry about retiring his number when he quit the perennial champs, but George Selkirk and Bud Metheny, both right fielders, inherited the figure but not the batting ability of the slugging bambino.

Sid Luckman, whose passing ability has limelighted the pro grid season, was handed a jersey with number 42 on it when he started his career at Columbia and still is carrying it to glory for the Bears. As a matter of fact, Sid still wears the original jersey given him when he joined the Windy City combine.

#### Caught Bob Feller

Another great performer, Nile Kinnick, found number 24 lucky when he was capturing headlines at Iowa University. The Hawkeyes retired his jersey when he completed ripping off huge gains against opposing lines. The halfback who caught the slants of Bobby Feller in their childhood days in Iowa was killed in action serving as a Navy pilot in the South Pacific.

Another former All-American, Tommy Harmon, used number 98 to win everlasting fame at Michigan. The Gary, Ind., halfback found the figure lucky while galloping for the Wolverines and when forced to parachute over the Brazilian jungle and when he turned up after being missing in action against the Japanese.

Some athletes have even found number 13 to their liking. Mort Cooper of the Cards and Dizzy Trout, mainstay of the Tiger mound corps, always have used the unlucky figure on their uniforms. And of course, to be different, Bobo Newsome wound up in Washington last season wearing 00, which may or may not mean double-trouble to Clark Griffith.

### Ring Club Honors Callahan

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—The Boston Boxing Association has announced the changing of its name to the Callahan Athletic Club, perpetuating the name of Pvt. Andy Callahan, former Lawrence, Mass., boxer killed in action in Italy last month.

Walters' Condition Satisfactory  
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Bucky Walters, Cincinnati Red pitcher, is reported in a satisfactory condition following an appendectomy.

### Artillery Eleven Deadlocks

A SOUTHERN TOWN, Dec. 12.—On a slow, soggy field, the Field Artillery eleven battled a mechanized outfit to a scoreless tie this afternoon.

# Eagles Rally in Last Minutes to Tie Invaders, 6-6



NEW YORK, Dec. 12—When Georgia Tech blasted Tulane, 33-0, Eddie Prokop set some kind of a passing record for the Engineers in the last half. Eddie threw 13 straight complete passes, but had two of them called back on holding penalties. Even the 11 straight official completions were the best passing exhibition most of the scribes could recall in either college or pro football.

Jimmy Wasdell the Phillies' outfielder-first baseman, was turned down by the Army for an old head injury. Ben Hogan, the mighty mite of the links, was commissioned a second lieutenant at the AAF school in Miami. The Boston Bruins broke a 19-year-old tradition the other night when they skated on the ice in order of their length of service with the club. Always before they came on in numerical order but changed to honor Dit Clapper who is playing his 17th season with the Bruins. Clapper was the last man on the ice and got a tremendous ovation.

**Olympics May Be Out**  
The word is now going around that the Olympic games will be a thing of the past even when the war is over. Some of the guys who should be in the know say that they foster much more ill-will than good will. Capt. Bob Simpson, brother of Missouri coach Chauncey Simpson, was in Europe as coach of the Hungarian track team when the war broke out. He had a rough time getting home. Now he's back in Sicily with AMG and made that trip in fewer hours than it took him weeks to get home in 1940.

Denver teams tried for years to win the AAU basketball title in the Denver tournament and most of the time they failed, losing to the Phillips Oilers under Chuck Hyatt. Denver fans are feeling a little easier as Hyatt, now a lieutenant in the Army, is stationed at Denver and probably will play for the Denver Legion team this year. When Michigan rolled over Wisconsin, 27-0, coach Harry Stuhldreher almost cried in agony. No less than ten former Badgers were the motivating force that led the Wolverines to the victory.

**\$7,200,000 Since Pearl Harbor**  
Jamaica closed its Victory meet with the biggest handle for a seven-race program in racing history. Over 30,000 people braved the blustery weather to shove \$2,852,414 through the windows and War Relief picked up over 600 grand as its share. Racing has now contributed over \$7,200,000 to charity since Pearl Harbor.

Hamline University, St. Paul's national intercollegiate basketball tournament champ, got its star performer back into school but can't use him though he has another year's eligibility. The returning hero is Howie "Stretch" Schultz, of the Brooklyn Dodgers, and Schultz can't play basketball—on orders from Branch Rickey.

Capt. Art Nehf, son of the old Giant pitcher, is back in the States after serving with Maj. Joe Foss's Marine squadron in the South Pacific. Art has the DFC and some other decorations. Another athlete to hit the big time in decorations was Maj. Charles "Gordo" Davis, a pitcher for Alabama a few years back. Maj. Davis got the Congressional Medal for his action as a captain on Guadalcanal.

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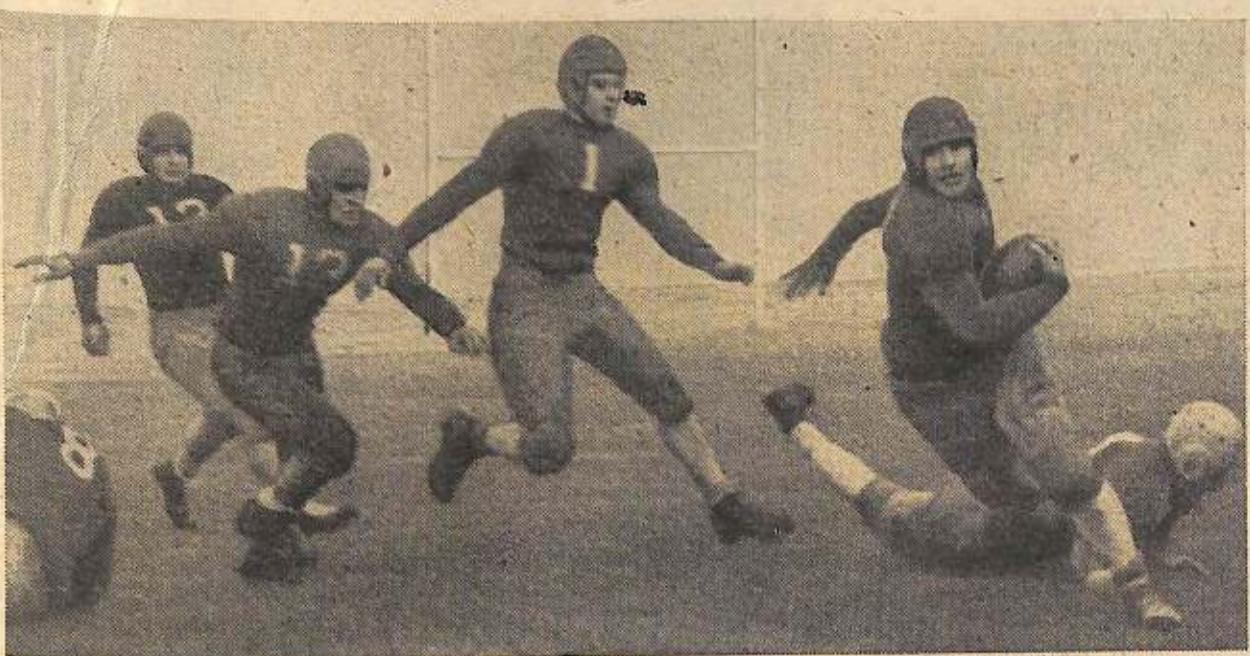
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**Rotary Dinner**  
THE Anglo-American Rotary dinner scheduled for Tuesday has been postponed. It probably be held Tuesday, Jan. 25.

## Terry and the Pirates



## End of a Long Invader Run



Pvt. William Stasica (1), South Carolina halfback who scored the tying touchdown in yesterday's ETO grid feature, about to bring down Pvt. Albert Abraham, Invader back from Allentown, Pa., after a long end run in the second quarter.

## Giant, Redskin Tilt Seen Even

**Both Squads Favored in Own Cities; New Yorkers in Better Condition**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12—An overall picture shows the Redskins-Giants game here today to be an even money proposition, with the Giants slightly favored last night in New York and the Redskins favored here.

The Giants are definitely in better physical condition than the Redskins, who will play without the services of Wilbur Moore, their leading scorer, and Sammy Baugh's favorite receiver, Moore is suffering from leg and back injuries received last Sunday against the Giants. Wee Willie Wilkin, 269-pound tackle and Ends Bob Masterson and Alex Piasecky also are doubtful starters, as they are suffering from influenza.

The result of this game may cause the postponement of the world championship game scheduled for Wrigley Field, Chicago, Dec. 19. If the Redskins' win or tie tomorrow, the game will be played as scheduled, but if the Giants win, the game will be postponed one week in order to give the Redskins and Giants a chance to play another game to decide the Eastern representative to oppose the Chicago Bears from the Western Division. Should this game end in a tie, the teams will return to the field and play an overtime, sudden death period with the first team scoring declared the winner.

Griffith Stadium, scene of today's contest game, is expected to be sold out for the sixth consecutive time.

## Jockey Joe Pannell Killed In Pileup at Charlestown

CHARLESTOWN, W. Va., Dec. 12—Joe Pannell, 19-year-old jockey of Avondale, Pa., was killed in the eighth race at Charlestown Track when his mount, Five-O-Four, piled up.

Pannell's mount, running fourth, stumbled and fell. Directly behind Five-O-Four were Inmate and Purport and they fell on Pannell and his horse. Pannell was rushed to the hospital and pronounced dead.

Pannell was scheduled to appear as chief witness at a hearing in Baltimore in the case of Jockey Mathew Quinn. Pannell charged that Quinn tried to bribe him on Nov. 27 to lose the first race at Marlboro. Pannell was aboard White Sea that day and won.

## Kerr Adds Three to Squad

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12—Andy Kerr, coach of the Eastern Collegiate All-Stars in the Shrine game here New Year's Day, has announced three additions to the eastern squad. Kerr announced acceptance from Ends Ernest Beamer, of Duke, Phil Pscher, of Brown, and Tackle Bob Plevo, of Purdue.

## Count Fleet Wins, Hands Down, As 'Horse of Year' in Turf Poll

NEW YORK, Dec. 12—A poll conducted by the Daily Racing Form and the Morning Telegraph among turf writers shows, surprising nobody, that Count Fleet is the "Horse of the Year."

The three-year-old son of Reigh Count captured the honor with one of racing history's most impressive records, starting and winning six times. The Count thus became the first horse ever to win the Kentucky Derby, Wood Memorial, Preakness, Withers and Belmont Stakes. That gave Mrs. John J. Hertz's colt a record of 16 victories in 21 starts in two years. The Count ran second four times and third once—never out of the money.

His winnings were \$250,300, boosting his total earnings to \$326,545, placing him eighth among the turf's all-time money winners behind Whirlaway, Seabiscuit, Sun Beau, Alsab, Equipoise, Chaldon and Gallant Fox.

Count Fleet was a unanimous selection.

## Hutson Takes Post as Coach

GREEN BAY, Wis., Dec. 12—Don Hutson, most proficient pass catcher in professional football history, has signed a contract as assistant coach of the Packers next year, according to Head Coach Curley Lambeau.

Hutson, who last Sunday completed his ninth season with the Packers, attempted to retire at the end of 1942 but Lambeau prevailed upon him to return for one more year and it turned out to be his best.

He will assist Line Coach Red Smith in concentrating on pass catchers and occasionally helping with the passers.

Hutson leaves the league the holder of 17 records. He led pass receivers six years, was leading scorer four years and most valuable player twice.

## Major League Player Rosters Hard Hit by Latest Draft Calls

NEW YORK, Dec. 12—Forty-four players from 16 major league baseball teams have entered military service since the close of the baseball season, according to the latest canvass of the big clubs. Included in the number are ten deemed irreplaceable.

Baseball officials are hopeful, but not too optimistic, that President Roosevelt's signing of the Kilday Bill delaying the draft of fathers will prevent further inroads on the rosters.

Among the top players of both leagues who have entered the services since the season's close are Luke Appling, White Sox shortstop and League-leading hitter; Dick Wakefield, Detroit rookie outfielder, whose 200 hits led the American League; Mickey Wittek, second baseman for the Giants, who led the circuit in singles and the Giants at bat; Hi Bithorn, of the

## Stasica Scores On End Run to Avert Setback

## Lone Invader Tally Comes In Third Period After 63-Yard March

By Ray Lee  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A WEST COAST TOWN, Dec. 12—A crowd of 12,000 spectators watched the Screaming Eagles score in the last two and one-half minutes of play on an end run by their star, Pvt. Bill Stasica, South Carolina halfback, to eke out a 6-6 tie with the Invaders here yesterday. The Invaders tallied early in the third frame on a line plunge by Fullback Pvt. Richard Manning, of El Monte, Cal.

The Eagles, slightly overconfident, started their second stringers, but soon were forced to run in their top-notchers as the subs were mauled by the Invaders. Immediately after the substitution, the Invaders reached scoring position when a pass, Pvt. Raymond Bassett to Manning, gained 15 and Manning made ten more off right tackle, putting the ball on the 18-yard line. Two plays later the Invaders were penalized 15 yards for unnecessary roughness and the Eagles took over on the Invader 44 as the first period ended.

### Fumbles are Costly

Twice in the next quarter the Eagles managed to penetrate their opponents' territory, but each time fumbles proved costly, as they lost the ball on the Invader 31 and 45. After taking a punt on his own 24 late in the second, Stasica picked up ten around right end and the Eagles opened their aerial attack. A pass, Stasica to West Pointer Lt. Bob Dulaney, was good for 20. Another failed, but Stasica's pitch to Gruber picked up four. Stasica then made 15 on an end run, putting the ball on the Invader 25. The half-time gun, however, ended the threat.

Coming out fresh in the third, the Invaders put on a drive early in the period, when, after they punted to the Eagle 43, Manning intercepted a pass on his own 42. A penalty set them back five yards, but on the third down Manning got up to the Eagle 46. He then racked up 16 yards in three plays and Bassett added five more as he went through right tackle.

### Double Reverse and Lateral

They then opened their bag of tricks and came out with a double reverse and lateral, Bassett to Sgt. Alex Kish, of Princeton, N.J., to Sgt. Donald Adams, of Erie, Pa., that put the ball on the ten. An eight-yard loss and 15-yard penalty gave them a first down on the three. A reverse, Manning to Adams, left them with less than a yard to go and Manning plunged over. The conversion was blocked and the Eagles were behind, 6-0.

Things looked bad for the Eagles late in the final period when they took the ball deep in their own territory, but ground gains by Stasica and Lt. Robert Burns, of Sioux City, Ia., put them on the Invader 42. Stasica, using good interference, scored from there around left end. The game was deadlocked when the conversion was blocked. When the final gun sounded, the Eagles had the ball on the 50-yard line.

The only casualty of the game came in the second quarter, when Umpire Jim Carnahan, of the ARC, was caught between two halfbacks, suffering a compound fracture of the left leg.

### Here are the starting lineups:

Eagles	Invaders
Patternelle .. LE	Bergantz
Majuski .. LT	Tussey
Riley .. LG	McCormick
Burnett .. C	Hood
Miller .. RG	Shawtrwa
LaGraves .. RT	Smith
Swibel .. RE	Kunesh
Barb .. QB	Bassett
Neeley .. LH	Ermalovich
Dulaney .. RH	Adams
Vondrew .. FB	Manning

## Zivic to Renew Rivalry With LaMotta Jan. 14

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 12—The fourth renewal of the ring rivalry involving Fritzie Zivic, of Pittsburgh, and Jake LaMotta, of New York, has been set for Detroit on Jan. 14.

Before meeting LaMotta, Zivic fights Ossie Harris Monday night here and Steve Mamakas at Milwaukee on Dec. 22.

In three previous fights, LaMotta has won twice and Zivic once. Fritzie expects to enter the Navy in February.

## Crane's Run Bests Ponzi in Cue Battle

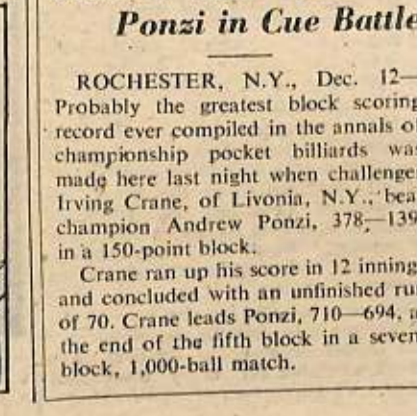
ROCHESTER, N.Y., Dec. 12—Probably the greatest block scoring record ever compiled in the annals of championship pocket billiards was made here last night when challenger Irving Crane, of Livonia, N.Y., beat champion Andrew Ponzi, 378-139, in a 150-point block.

Crane ran up his score in 12 innings and concluded with an unfinished run of 70. Crane leads Ponzi, 710-694, at the end of the fifth block in a seven-block, 1,000-ball match.

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### Hush Marks

**Weather Report.** It's so cold in some Nissen huts these days even the mice wear snoods and foot warmers.

**Famous Last Words.** "Thanks I'll have a quick one with you—make mine a double."

It's hard to fool a GI, especially a sharpie like Sgt. Mortimer Kassewitz, who has always been a little skeptical of



blind dates anyway. But Kassewitz decided to take a chance when a pal of his phoned and said, "Come on down and meet the new girl in my office—she's smooth." Our hero combed his hair, straightened his tie and took off for the office. "Where is she?" he asked. "In the other room," said his pal. "Just bust on in and introduce yourself. Her name's Dorothy." Kassewitz walked right through the door right into Dorothy's arms—then turned and walked right out again. Dorothy is a new skeleton in a Flight Surgeon's office.

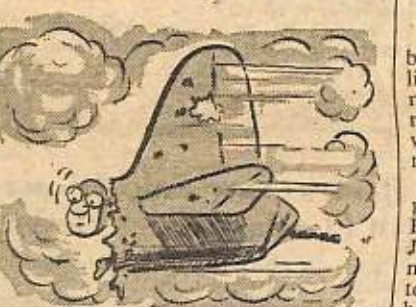
From M/Sgt. Broadfoot comes a notice of "nonsensical" Christmas gifts that tops the list. Sgt. Robert W. Hay of a sub depot group was the recipient of:

- 1 top that changes to eight colours,
- 2 children's nursery books,
- 1 box water colors,
- 1 box crayons,
- 2 celluloid bath horses,
- 2 soap bubble pipes,
- 2 children's color books,
- 1 set of blocks,
- 1 pin-the-tail-on-the-donkey game.

Sounds like somebody is ETO-Happy.

Most amazed man in the ETO this week was Maj. Leland M. Lewis, of Oakland, Cal., who is in charge of the officers' mess at a Marauder base. Some ingenious pilferers robbed the mess hall of a stove, complete with fire, from the corner where the commanding officer sits, too. A GI reported the fully-fired stove missing when he made his hourly round to see if all the fires were still burning ok.

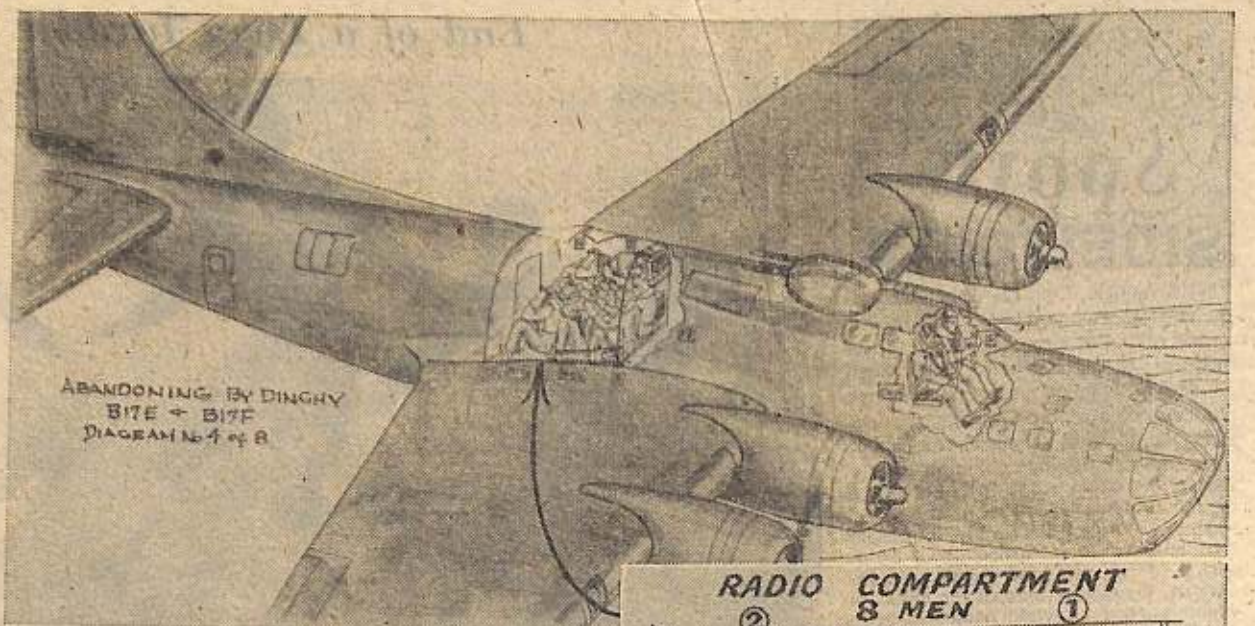
Lines by a Tail-Gunner in a Marauder bomber: "Yea, though I fly through the valley of the Ruhr, I shall fear no evil."



Signs of the Times. A Mississippi drug store carries this sign in its window: "Wanted: Soda fountain clerk, full or part time, experienced or inexperienced, man or woman." After several days of inaction, the town wit added, "Dead or alive."

J. C. W.

# A 'By-the-Numbers' Drill Pays Off



## Air-Sea Rescue Exercise Was A Bore at First, but Fliers Soon Found Its Worth

By Richard Wilbur  
 Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

**EIGHTH BOMBER COMMAND HQ, Dec. 12**—Nearly a year ago, combat crews got fed up when a new drill—showing how to ditch a bomber in the sea, and how to abandon it for dinghies was forced on them by the equipment officer at each station. To them it looked like a waste of time.

The combat crews have changed their opinions since. In individual experiences, crews who had to ditch on the way back from a raid learned that the air-sea rescue program they'd studied on land was "the deciding factor," as the official lingo here goes, in their being rescued at sea. The air-sea rescue program has paid dividends.

Crews in damaged Eighth Air Force bombers used to land in enemy territory, headed for sure toward German prison camps, rather than risk ditching in the sea, according to Lt. Col. R. L. Curtice, of Concord, N.H., head of the armament section. "They didn't have any plans for going in the water," he says.

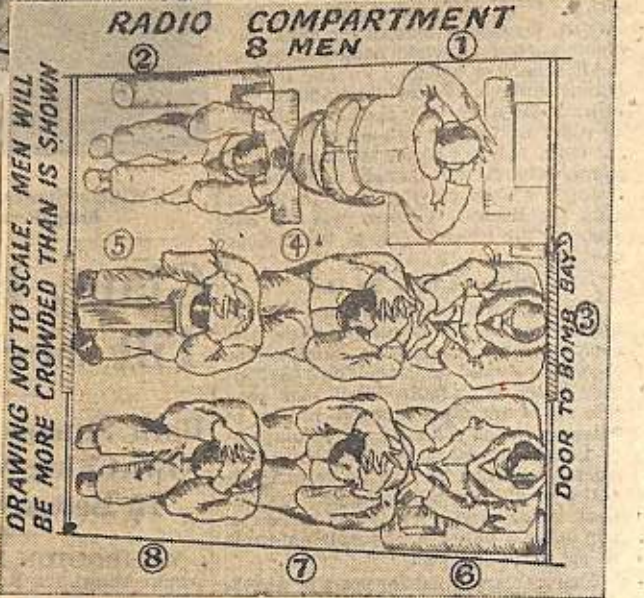
So in February this year, when a school for Eighth Air Force equipment officers was started here, two of the most important lectures given were "Air/Sea Rescue Procedures" and "Air/Sea Rescue Equipment." At more than one bomber station members of combat crews originally tended to look on the equipment officer as excess baggage. But now, some members of combat crews have told this section, the equipment officer is considered second in importance only to the operations officer.

**'Better Listen'**—  
 "After they got a ditching under their belt, they said, 'Well, maybe we'd better listen to this guy,'" said Pvt. Paul Garrison, of Northern Ontario, Canada, member of this section, who has talked with combat crews about the air-sea rescue program.

Worked out from British methods, the program was formulated by Maj. R. J. Bass, of Louisville, Ky., and Maj. James J. Smith, of St. Paul, Minn. It consists mainly of instructions and drill on how to ditch a damaged bomber in the sea, how to abandon the bomber for dinghies, and how to keep going until rescued.

For the B17, the program is designed to work out this way under actual conditions:

Pilot, over intercom: "Prepare for ditching." Crew jettisons bombs, armament, ammunition. Radio operator sends SOS. All crew members except pilot and co-pilot go to radio room to take bracing position. Radio operator clamps down key to relay ditching position to flying control station. Pilot, over intercom:



This rough drawing is one of many used to show B17 ditching positions, where all crew members except pilot and co-pilot brace themselves to crash-land in the sea. (1) Radio operator; (2) navigator; (3) flight engineer; (4) left waist gunner; (5) tail gunner; (6) bombardier; (7) right waist gunner; (8) ball turret gunner. Positions 4, 5, 7 and 8 must keep elbows as close together as possible, hold heads well forward. Similar sketches are used for B24s and B26s.

"Brace for ditching." Tail of plane lands in water on first impact, then nose hits on second impact. Ball turret gunner releases both dinghies. Crew members abandon plane in order. Five crew members get in each dinghy, lash dinghies together if possible, and start signalling over emergency radios.

The B24 and B26 systems are practically the same as the B17. In the B24, the only difference is in ditching stations taken by the crew. In the B26, with a crew of eight instead of ten, there are two less men braced together in the radio room.

"Brace for ditching" is an order to be followed exactly, since the body can withstand a force eight times its own weight if it is properly braced. A primary warning, also to be followed exactly, is: Don't get up after the first impact of the tail landing—and the reason is well covered in this excerpt from air-sea rescue notes of a British squadron leader:

(a) . . . Usually feel two bumps; do not get up after the first one.  
 (b) Deceleration very sudden. Second bump like a car hitting a brick wall at 30-45 mph."

**Radio Proves Itself.**  
 Bomber crews never paid much attention to use of dinghy equipment, Col. Curtice says, until they found out at first-hand what good it was. "One ditched crew cranked the dinghy radio a while, then got disgusted and threw it overboard. It was that radio cranking that brought the air-sea rescue service to pick them up," he says. "And there was a major who didn't think much of the radio, but decided to crank it anyway to keep warm. That's how he was saved, too."

After they have been rescued crews make out a report to this section on a form called "Questionnaire Regarding Landing of Landplane on Water." Here is part of a questionnaire, filled out by a B17 crew that had one previous ditching, which tells its own story:

"Damage to aircraft: Control cables partly jammed due to hit near Station 6-A. Hit into No. 2 engine nacelle, probably damaging No. 2 tank.  
 "Gallons in each tank—None.  
 "At what height was the final decision to ditch made?—300 feet.  
 "Final approach speed (before flattening out)—130 mph.  
 "Speed at impact—85 mph.  
 "State of sea (waves)—4ft. high.  
**Half Hour in Dinghy**  
 "Strength of wind—30 mph.  
 "How long were crew in dinghy before rescue?—Half-hour.  
 "What food or water rationing was instituted?—None.  
 "Did crew suffer from immersion?—No.  
 "Did crew suffer from heat or cold or other exposure?—No.  
 "What steps were taken to combat these?—Dry clothes given by British.  
 "Had pilot or co-pilot ever ditched before?—Yes. In July, 1943.  
 "How many hours of dinghy drill training had the crew done before ditching?—Twenty hours. Half hour practical experience.  
 "Had the crew ever carried out a wet dinghy drill?—Yes.  
 "Did pilot practise drill with crew?—Yes.  
 "Had the crew seen a blow-out demonstration of a dinghy with full equipment?—Yes.  
 "Does the pilot normally require every man to indicate his ditching station before each mission?—Yes.  
 "Suggestions of pilot or other crew members for improvement in ditching stations, equipment, air-sea rescue service or any agencies involved in air-sea rescue.—None."  
 The air-sea rescue program initiated by the Eighth Air Force was adopted recently for use by all the army air forces.

### Balkan Politics

Since the conference was held between the President of the United States, the Prime Minister of Great Britain and the President of Turkey, the eyes of the world have been focused on the Balkans.

During the past week, unrest caused by the craving to get out of the war in Bulgaria has spread to Hungary and tension in both countries is such that sudden drastic developments may occur at any moment.

Madrid reports that a split is developing in the Bulgarian Cabinet following the resignation of Kirov, the Foreign Minister. This is an interesting report, for it was this cabinet that was formed at the death of King Boris in August; and formed illegally due to the absence of a will designating the Regents for the young King.

Constitutional procedure in Bulgaria required that the Grand Sobranjo be assembled to elect a Regency Council; but it was decided at a meeting of the Government majority to choose the Regents there and then. Despite the criticism of the Opposition this was done (no doubt the presence in Sofia of the German delegation to Boris's funeral helped). The Regents chosen were Prince Kyril, the late King's brother, Prof. Filov, the Prime Minister; and General Mihov the Minister of War.

The Constitution was obeyed only in so far that the old cabinet resigned and new ministers were appointed. Even the appointment of Prince Kyril was unconstitutional although a member of the royal family.

In the new cabinet Sava Kirov was brought from the Legation at Ankara to become Foreign Minister. Kirov's appointment seems to have implied too definite a move away from the Axis for the Germans to tolerate, for he resigned after serving a month and was replaced by Shishmanov.

Apparently this move did little to curb the growing Opposition, which, headed by Queen Johanna, is reported to be encouraging a "Free Bulgaria" movement which aims at uniting all Bulgarian factions in a united front to save the country from becoming a battlefield.

Bulgarians feel that a war against Turkey would be suicidal, while it is held to be impossible spiritually to fight Russia. With Hungary reasoning in a similar manner, Balkan politics appear to be changing color and the new colors are definitely "Allied."

### Veterans Legislation

Of interest to all soldiers now serving in the U.S. armed forces is the Federal legislation dealing with vital issues of rehabilitation that has recently been presented to Congress.

The three point program supported by the American Legion requests that jurisdiction over legislation in connection with veterans of both World War I and II remain with the House Committee on Veterans Legislation because of the sympathy with which that committee has dealt with problems in the past and because of its experience in handling legislation covering veterans problems. The Legion also asked for sufficient hospital beds so that the Veterans Administration could care for those in need upon their discharge from service in World War II, and in addition indicated their strong support for an educational program for veterans of this war that would train soldiers for jobs in a peacetime society.

These steps are encouraging, for the problem of readjustment when the war is won will be a problem each of us will face as an individual. Plans laid now to care adequately for the disabled and to train them later for work they will be able to perform, and work for the millions who will be eager to play a part in building a new and better world, are most important. Such plans, bravely and courageously conceived, will do more than any other one thing to inspire those now serving in active combat theaters to give their best for victory.

Soldiers wounded in the Tunisian campaign and now home in America were asked to appear before Congress and give our representatives the benefit of their soldier viewpoint on proposed legislation. Speaking for us all they made one request. "We do not want charity; but a chance to become useful, producing members of society."

That goes double for the rest of us, and between now and the day of victory plans should be made to see that there is work available for every discharged soldier.

### HUBERT by SGT. DICK WINGERT



"We shut off the hot water to fix the plumbing and found this in one of the bathtubs."

## Allied Experts Warily Study Reports of Nazi Rocket Guns

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (Reuters)—Allied authorities here are closely studying Axis-inspired reports that the Germans have mounted on the French coast rocket guns capable of lobbing colossal bombs to London.

Although it seems obvious that Goebbels "planted" the reports for propaganda purposes, experts believe it is possible that Germany's "back-room boys" may have designed some weapon that can throw radio-controlled missiles 60 or 70 miles.

These experts believe that if this is true, Allied counter-measures are likely to be offensive, rather than defensive.

A few of these guns are alleged to have been mounted in special bomb-proof emplacements on the Channel coast. The missiles may be controlled by wireless.

These guns—if they do exist—are mainly valuable to the Germans at the moment as a psychological weapon. Observers believe that Goebbels hopes to induce the British Government to order the evacuation of London, which would have the double-barrelled effect of diverting the British war effort and boosting German morale. He may also be trying to decoy Britain-based forces into making a premature attack on the French coast.

A high military official here said that he did not believe the Germans had developed rocket guns to the point where they could be used efficiently for cross-Channel bombardment.

Asked whether such an attack were feasible, he said, "There is a lot of speculation about it, and the Germans certainly have developed the rocket-gun principle. They would be less accurate than if they sent aircraft over, and certainly less destructive."

# NEWS FROM HOME Glass Supports Federal Control Of Soldier Ballot

## Declares Green-Lucas Bill Does not Infringe on Rights of States

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12—The Green-Lucas bill to give servicemen and women the right to vote in Federal elections under Federal auspices yesterday received the support of Sen. Carter Glass (D.-Va.), militant states' rights upholder.

In a letter to Sen. Scott W. Lucas (D.-Ill.), Glass took issue with the senators who last week shelved the bill and passed a substitute measure which, in effect, left the servicemen's ballot up to the states. They had argued that a Federal law covering absentee voting would be an infringement of states' rights.

"I cannot see," Glass wrote, "that the rights of the states are either jeopardized or in any way involved in the present controversy. I have been and still am in favor of giving our armed forces away from home in the Federal service the right to vote in Federal elections for Federal officers under Federal authority."

### Police Guard Girls' School

TECUMSEH, Okla., Dec. 12—Threats of riot and violence here by inmates of the Oklahoma Training School for girls have brought highway patrolmen from Oklahoma City to guard the Institution. The superintendent of the school called the police guard when unrest among the inmates grew out of an investigation by Mrs. Mabel Bassett, state commissioner of Charities and Corrections, that several young women were shipped out for breaking rules.

### Girl Dies in Bath Tub

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 12—Carl M. Peterson, of Miami, Fla., a coast guard auxiliary fireman assigned to the fire department here, was on duty with the first aid squad when a call was received. Arriving on the scene he found his sweetheart had drowned while taking a bath. The girl, Mildred M. Johnson, 22, also of Miami, was subject to sudden illness and had suffered an attack while in the bath tub.

### Mich. Postmaster Jailed

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 12—Joseph W. McCleary, 51-year-old assistant postmaster of Dowagiac, Mich., was sentenced to one year and three months in prison for embezzlement of postal funds. Shortages of more than \$15,000 were found in McCleary's accounts by postal inspectors, District Attorney Joseph K. Deeb said.

### New Ration Tokens

CINCINNATI, Dec. 12—The Osborne Register Company is manufacturing two billion dime-sized ration tokens which American householders will begin using Feb. 27 in purchasing rationed foodstuffs. The tokens, made of vulcanized fiber, will supplement, not replace, regular ration books.

### Indiana Train Wreck

HIGHLAND, Ind., Dec. 12—Four persons were killed yesterday when their automobile was struck by a Grand Trunk and Western train. The dead are Robert C. Bryan, of Chicago; Arthur Norris Jr., of Griffith; Mary J. Byich, of Schererville, and Mrs. Avenell Wallace, of Hammond.

### Our Flying Artillery

NEW YORK, Dec. 12—Referring to the new flying artillery of the USAAF in the South Seas, Maj. Gen. L. H. Campbell Jr., chief of ordnance, declared that by mounting a 75 mm. gun on aircraft the Army "had put wings on one of our greatest field artillery pieces."

### Senate OKs Rail Wage Boost

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12—The Senate passed and sent to the House a bill granting an eight cent an hour wage increase to 1,100,000 non-operating railroad workers.

### Grace McDonald to Marry

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 12—Grace McDonald, movie actress, announced yesterday that she would marry Capt. G. F. Sorgatz, of the USAAF, "as soon as he can get leave."

### Clarence W. Ryder Dies

WELLFLEET, Mass., Dec. 12—Clarence Webster Ryder, for 33 years a member of the editorial staff of the New York World, died here at his Cape Cod home. He was 86.

## Higher Taxes Imperative, Morgenthau Declares

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12—America's huge war expenditures make higher taxes "imperative," Treasury Secretary Morgenthau asserted today in an article in the current Army and Navy Journal.

"Individual incomes have risen \$71,000,000,000 during the last four years; personal taxes have risen only \$13,000,000,000, absorbing less than one-fifth of the incomes of the American people for the last four years," he said. "There can be no doubt that the American people, by and large, can pay the still higher taxes. The growth in national income has made it possible; 'pay-as-you-go' practicable; and huge war expenditures imperative."

## Yanks Intend to Farm In Alaska After War

PALMER, Alaska, Dec. 12 (UP)—Soldiers helping with the harvest in Matanuska Valley, one of the most fertile farming regions in Alaska, have decided to settle there after the war and become farmers.

"I know a good thing when I see it," one of them said. "The Aleutians aren't so hot, but this Matanuska country is OK."

U.S. soldiers have been helping farmers since the spring. Many said that prospects for small farmers were better there than in most places in the United States.

## Ohio Governor Criticizes Post-War Alliance Policy

NEW YORK, Dec. 12 (UP)—Full cooperation with foreign countries, but no permanent alliances were recommended as a post-war policy by Gov. John Bricker, of Ohio, in a speech here last night.

Gov. Bricker said he was seeking the Republican Presidential nomination to urge this policy and "to rescue the rights of the states from bureaucrats."

## UMW and Coal Owners Reach Wage Agreement

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (UP)—An agreement on hours and wages has been reached by the United Mine Workers and coal owners representing 67 per cent of the industry, Secretary of Interior Harold L. Ickes announced. Under the agreement the miners will receive a basic wage of \$8.50 for an eight and three-quarter hour day.

## Entire Draft Board Quits

SAGINAW, Mich., Dec. 12—In protest against what they termed "draft-dodger havens" in Saginaw war plants, all three members of Draft Board No. 3 resigned. The three said that "far too many young men are being deferred because of jobs in war factories." They said a large number of these men could be replaced by women with a few days' training.

## Mars Completes Maiden Mission

### Plane Shatters 4 Records; Flies 4,400 Non-Stop to South America

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12—The Mars, the Navy's giant flying cargo boat, has completed its first war mission on a record-breaking 4,400-mile non-stop flight from Patuxent, Md., to Natal, Brazil.

Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox said that the Mars carried 48,000 pounds of priority war material—as much as ten standard cargo planes carry. The Mars set new records for the longest over-water flight, the greatest air cargo, the heaviest load ever lifted by a plane and the longest non-stop cargo flight.

Counting the return trip to Maryland, the Mars covered 8,972 miles in 55 hours and 31 minutes for an average hourly speed of 161 miles.

## Farmer Freed on Charge Of Slaying Football Player

SANDUSKY, Mich., Dec. 12—An all-farmer jury which deliberated five hours yesterday freed Lovell Cotter, 36-year-old Marlette farmer, of manslaughter charges in connection with the death of a high school football player.

The boy, 18-year-old Richard McMann, was fatally shot on Sept. 29. Cotter told the jury McMann was one of a group of boys who was hunting in a melon patch on his farm. Cotter said the boys fled in an auto and that he fired a rifle at the car's tires. A bullet penetrated the trunk of the car and struck McMann.

## 6,000 Workers End Strike In 5 Wright Aircraft Plants

NEW YORK, Dec. 12 (UP)—A walk-out of 6,000 workers in five Wright aircraft factories ended yesterday as the men returned to work after agreeing to submit their dispute to arbitration.

The unauthorized strike held up production of engines for the new version of the Flying Fortress.

## Average U.S. Factory Worker Earns \$43.35 as Weekly Wage

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 (UP)—The weekly wage of the average U.S. factory worker today is \$43.35—an increase of 27 per cent over 1939, according to a report issued by the commissioner of labor statistics.

The report emphasized, however, that the 27 per cent was not an absolute increase, but a result of working longer hours at overtime pay.

"The average factory worker," it said, "is today working seven hours a week more than in 1939 and is paid for those additional hours at time and a half."

"In six out of ten cases he is employed in higher paid durable goods industries like shipbuilding or metal working instead of the lower paid industries like textiles. In 1939 only four out of every ten factory workers had a chance for such higher paid employment."

"Out of the \$43.35 wage, the worker received \$34.80, the remainder being deducted for income and other taxes."

Although granting that most people had more money than at any other time in American history, the report pointed out that wage increases were not as substantial as they appeared to be.



"Water! Water!!"

By Jean Baird

### Diane



By Milton Caniff

### Male Call



By Chic Young

### Blondie



### A Soldier's Best Friend



*OWI Photo*  
Secret weapons may come and go, but the rifle is still the basic weapon of the infantry. Here a GI oils his trusty piece.

### Don't Take My Daddy



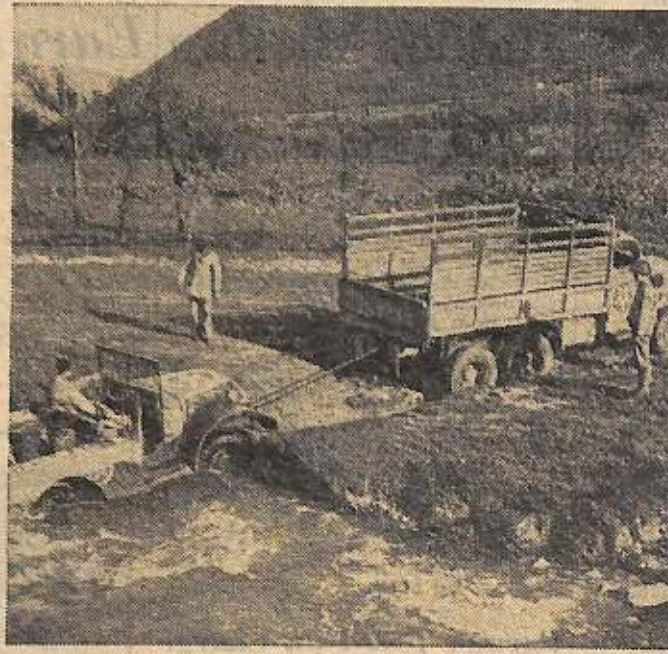
*Associated Press Photo*  
Fifteen-months-old James Strange doesn't want to lose his Daddy. The elder Strange, widowed father of 11 children, has been reclassified by his draft board as 1-A.

### Come Home, Boys, It's Nearly Over



*New York Times Photo*  
These pretties from the chorus of *Star and Garter*, Broadway hit, are guessing the date of the Armistice with Germany. According to these luscious arm-chair generals, we'll be on our way back from ETO in the spring of 1944. Well, we can dream, can't we!

### A Jeep In The Deep



*OWI Photo*  
When this weapons carrier stalled at a fording point on a swollen Italian stream, a heavy Army truck came to the rescue.

### Come Dunk With Me!



*New York Times Photo*  
Eleanor Cahill, the nation's Donut Queen, is touring Army camps back home to teach the soldier boys how to dunk—as if those chowhounds didn't know!

### Welcome Home, Pal!



*Keystone Photo*  
Cookie, chimpanzee at the Bronx Zoo, had a warm welcome for his former keeper Seaman Quinn, home on his first leave.

### Ummm, This Is Tasty



*Army Signal Corps Photo*  
Inspecting the galley of an American Liberty ship, *Lady Astor* samples the soup. Chief Cook Carl Wood, of Brockton, Mass., and Theren Chase, of Meredith, N.H., await the verdict.

### I've Heard That Song Before



Hank I add, of the USO Camp Show "At Ease," is quite enthusiastic about the way he's slapping out Christmas carols on the bass fiddle; but his co-worker, Francetta Malloy, thinks it's strictly from hunger.