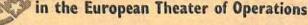


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Yanks in Sight of St. Lo;



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Berlin Hints Big Retreat In the East

Soviet Sweep Continues In North as Reds Thrust Deep in Lithuania

MOSCOW, July 12 (UP)—Three great new battles are opening in Russia for eastern Poland, East

Prussia and the Baltic States. The ferocity with which the Germans are resisting the great march forward by the forces of Marshal Rokossovsky and Gens. Chernya-khovsky and Bagramyan is indicative of the gravity with which the German high commanders view their position.

The possibility that the Russian forces may have achieved a complete breakthrough was contained in a German Overseas News Agency admission that hard fighting was going on east of Olita, which lies south of Kaunas, on the Memel River, only 52 miles from the East Prussian border.

Big Retreat Hinted

At the same time the German mili-tary spokesman, one of the most re-served of military spokesmen anywhere in the world, practically admitted a big German retreat was impending.

"It is obvious the front cannot remain as it is," he was quoted as saying. "There are two alternatives: One, a large-scale offensive, and the other the adaptation of the entire front to new lines. Since we are on the defensive in the east the second alternative is the

one to be applied."
(An Associated Press Moscow dispatch (An Associated Press Moscow dispatch said that if the Soviet advance continued at its present rate "there is a good chance the armies will be fighting on German soil." It pointed out that the Red Army now was within striking distance of its last objectives before Poland, with Kaunas 45 miles away, Grodno 56 miles, Bialystok 51 miles and Pinsk 15 miles.) Pinsk 15 miles.)

Russian columns are eating up the miles to the Polish and East Prussian borders, especially west of Baranovichi, where Rokossovsky's army, after taking

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TheWarToday

France-Americans fight within sight of St. Lo as they reach a point two miles east of the center of the city . . . Yanks northwest of St. Lo knock out 20 German . American drive toward Periers is only four miles from the town . . . Germans withdraw toward Lessay on a ten-mile front . Brief lull sets in south of Caen after heavy fighting by British and Canadian

Russia-Red Army drives toward Kaunas as German resistance stiffens . . . Rokossovsky's army covering 13 miles a day in advance toward Bialystok and Grodno, on enemy's main defense line . . . Berlin reports fighting east of Olita, 52 miles from East Prussian border south of Kaunas . . . Enemy spokesman hints big retreat impending.

Italy-Mitchell bombers blast concentration of 1,700 railway wagons at Alessandria, 40 miles east of Turin . . . Fifth Army units occupy Castiglioncello, two miles farther along road to Leghorn . . Eighth Army opens artillery barrage against big harbor installations of Ancona, on the Adriatic coast Swiss diplomatic source reports Germans are installing a new GHQ in Bavaria in preparation for total retreat from Italy.

Pacific-U.S. troops continue to mop up Japanese on Saipan Island . . . Navy planes bomb Kuriles, Truk and Jap positions in Marshalls U.S. Liberators Marshalls ... U.S. Liberators attack Yap in Carolines, shooting down five enemy planes.

Asia-Two Chinese divisions link up west of Mogaung to clear Ledo road between Kamaing and Mogaung of Japanese . . . Chinese report Japs again using gas in Hengyang area . . . Tokyo claims Jap air force bombs U.S. airfields in

They Smell a Bad Egg, Cheat Nazis of a Cackle

SOUTHEAST OF BAYEUX (UP)

The latest in German booby traps was a real egg left at the side of a

British soldiers, rationed to one egg a month, almost rushed for the prize. Then some sixth sense warned them. They held back, sent for a mine detector. The detector showed it conclusively-that egg was a bad one.

WPB to Start Civilian Output

Part of Program Deferred As a Concession to Military Leaders

WASHINGTON, July 12—The War Production Board announced last night that Chairman Donald M. Nelson's program for resumption of civilian produc-tion in plants not needed for war work would go into effect Saturday. A concession to military leaders, who

opposed the program on the grounds that it would divert labor from arms produc-tion, provides for staggered dates which defer operation of part of the plan to

deter operation of part of the plan to Aug, 15.

The aircraft industry meantime came forward with plans for a vast expans on of civilian and commercial flying after the war. The industry, represented by the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce, made its recommendations to a Senate Mills of the Aeronautical Chamber on the commendations are constructed. Military subcommittee on war contracts.

Planes for Colleges

Among the many suggestions was one that military aircraft of no commercial use be turned over to colleges and other schools after the war to encourage civilian flying and maintain a stream of flying talent as a safeguard against future wars. Final WPB orders effective in mid-August will permit WPB field offices to

authorize manufacture of civilian goods, hitherto prohibited or restricted, in plants

or companies which have labor and machinery not needed in the war effort.

In his original announcement of the program, Nelson said there would be "precious little in the way of expanded civilian production in the immediate future." He declared that it was nevertheless contribute contribute and the property at once for the theless essential to prepare at once for the return of civilian production to prevent dislocation of economy when war contracts terminated.

Chinese Units

CHUNGKING, July 12—The Allied campaign to drive the Japanese out of northern Burma and complete a land supply route to China reached another milestone yesterday when the Chinese 22nd and 38th Divisions effected a juncture seven miles west of Mogaung. The junction cleared the enemy from the area between Kamaing to Mogaung and stretched the Allied control of the

and stretched the Allied control of the Ledo Road, which leads into China, to around 300 miles.

Meantime, the Chinese High Command

repeated charges that the Japs were using poison gas in the Hengyang area. The Chinese also said that Jap forces striking northward west of the Canton-Hankow railway had reached a point 12 miles from Yingiak, 70 miles north of Canton. Tokyo Radio claimed the Jap air force bombed U.S. airfields in China, destroy-ing 11 planes and damaging at least 95

Luftwaffe Ace Killed

German Radio, quoted by Reuter last night, reported the death in action of Maj. (acting General) Wolfgang Redlich, group commander of a Luftwaffe fighter wing credited with 41 air victories.

Nazis Fall Back on Lessay Crack Negro Artillery Outfit Praised for Work in France

By Allan M. Morrison Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A U.S. ARTILLERY CP, France-Showing utter contempt for "master race" divisions facing them, U.S. Negro artillerymen, firing 155mm. howitzers, are blasting German installations and troop concentrations, pounding to pieces the Nazi theory of "inferior" and

"superior" races.

First Negro combat artillery team to fight in this sector, this outfit is the howitzer member of a 4-unit artillery group that includes a battalion of 105s and two of 155 Long Toms.

They make music horrible to enemy ears, but to U.S. doughboys of the infantry division being directly supported

Left Nazis Impotent,

USSTAF Says

By Joe Fleming

D-Day Began to Dawn Feb. 20

With Death Blow at Luftwaffe

5 Days' Fierce Pounding Munich Area

by their fire it's the sweetest song this side of a taxi dance hall in Harlem.

A few short weeks ago these were the kids who enlivened English villages when kids who enlivened English villages when they "swung" cadence drill on training hikes to the tune of "Whatcha Know Joe?" Now, when these cannoneers join in a group "screnade," the rhythm is not as regular, but Yanks in observation posts on the line report that the Jerries are dancing to it. Results: Shattered tanks, wrecked 88s, smashed fortifications, dead Nazis.

"It's a hell of a different tune," observed T/5 Joe Hodge, a survey section man from Detroit, "and we know those Germans up there don't like it a bit."

The battalion's uniqueness far trans-(Continued on page 4)

Americans 4 Miles From Periers; Lull On Caen Front

American troops fought within sight of the battered spire of St. Lo, strategic heart of Hitler's defenses in the eastern sector of the 48-mile U.S. front in Normandy, while in the western sector German forces continued to withdraw southward toward Lessay yesterday.

Yanks advancing southwest from Carentan toward Periers, in the center

of the front, reached the villages of Maugerie and La Roserie, about four miles from Periers.

On the British and Canadian front-southwest of Caen, a lull occurred in the battle between the Odon and Orne Rivers, after some of the heaviest fighting time. since D-Day.

Two Miles from City

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Fresh American forces poured forward in new attacks toward St. Lo from a 640-foot ridge overlooking the city from about three miles east, and one column reached a point two miles from the center of the city. Fierce fighting raged on the highway from Bayeux to St. Lo, east of the city, as Yanks bypassed St. Andre de l'Epine and swept through La Calvaira for a gain of two miles.

Northwest of St. Lo, other American units knocked out 20 German tanks. A group of 35 German tanks made an unsuccessful counter-attack in the Pont

successful counter-attack in the Pont Hebert area, four miles north of St. Lo, in what captured German orders showed was an attempt to regain Isigny and break the bridgehead.

Simultaneously with the repulse of this attack, the Germans began a general with-

attack, the Germans began a general withdrawal on a ten-mile front southward from La Haye du Puits toward Lessay. "Suicide squads" of Germans covering the retreat from the hilltop town of Mobecq, about four miles northeast of Lessay, were blasted by American divebombers and artillery. Some American troops reached the outskirts of Angevile-sur-Aye, three miles north of Lessay.

With the whole dominating height at the Forest of Mont Castre, about three miles east of La Haye, in American hands, the next Yank objective was Point 92. This high ground slopes down to Lessay, from which a main road runs southeast through Periers to St. Lo.

Wait All-Out Attack

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An all-out American drive for St. Lo

An all-out American drive for St. Lo was expected at' Von Kluge's head-quarters. Vichy Radio said, and another German source declared, that a new German armored division had been thrown into the battle in the St. Lo area.

SHAEF disclosed yesterday that Allied front-support planes had executed one of the most intensive attacks yet on German armor, when fighter-bombers and rocket-firing planes destroyed 28 German tanks and damaged 16 Tuesday. This equalled about one-fifth of the tank strength of an entire German panzer division.

an entire German panzer division,
German counter-attacks against
British and Canadian forces southwest
of Caen died down. Hill 112—"Crucifix
Hill"—was again held by the British last
night, after it had changed hands three British troops repelled strong (Continued on page 4)

Tank Retrievers Save the Cripples Right in the Fight

By Earl Mazo Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

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A TANK UNIT, Normandy, July 12—
They gave John Derden a tank fitted with
a retrieving boom instead of a gun, but
that didn't keep him out of combat. He
and his repair crew figured if they
couldn't fight, they could fix tanks that
would—and that's how "Derden's
Darlings" have been operating.
In one battle near Carentan, the
Ellijay (Ga.) warrant officer and his men
went into the fight to pull out five crippled
mediums and one banged-up light tank.

mediums and one banged-up light tank, and in the process their own tank retriever was knocked out. Within hours "Derden's Darlings" had three of the tanks and their vehicle back

in the fight.

Another time they went behind the German lines to bring in a white-starred armored car, light tank and assault gun

lost from their outfit some time before.
The "Darlings" include Sgt. Frank
Hans, of Baltimore, Cpls, Loren Garret, of Steamboat Springs, Colo., and Walter Kirbauer, of Chicago, T/4 Dan Juhl, of Burbank, Cal., and T/5 Kenneth Beck-ham, of St. James, Mo.

The Stars and Stripes of Feb. 21 termed the savage assault the "greatest blow of the war against German aircraft output." Yesterday at SHAEF a senior USSTAF officer called it the "blow that made possible the invasion without fighter agreesting." **Battered Factories** For five days, from both the ETO and

For five days, from both the ETO and Italy, warplanes of the Eighth and 15th Air Force destroyed the Luftwaffe at its source, battering factories in such strength and in such diverse places that the German air force never recovered.

The continuous attack, in which between 5,000 and 6,500 sorties were flown, saw, according to the high-ranking airman, who may not be publicly identified, the realization of the first two goals drawn up when the USSTAF started operations six months ago—the reduction and neutralization of the Luftwaffe and the achievement of complete waffe and the achievement of complete air supremacy before D-Day to prevent

aerial interference with Allied landings.
The Luftwaffe, unable to replenish its losses, declined from a potent force as (Continued on page 4)

Stimson Reaches Britain To Visit Bases, Wounded

Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson arrived in Britain yesterday from Italy. He plans to visit military installations and wounded soldiers in Army hospitals.

Accompanying him are Maj. Gen. Norman T. Kirk, surgeon general, and Harvey A. Bunday, Stimson's executive

One-Way Piggyback Ride

Single 'Chute Brings 2 Fliers Safely Down From Burned Lib

A LIBERATOR BASE, July 12 (UP)-Two members of a Liberator crew re-cently leaped from their burning bomber with only one parachute between them. Holding on to each other, they dropped safely into a field,

The plane was returning to Britain when fire broke out in the bomb bay. The parachute of the bombardier, 2/Lt. Robert L. Sanders, of Chicago, was-burned.

When the pilot gave the order to bail out, the bombardier climbed on the back of the navigator, 2/Lt. Robert Callahan, suffered only slight injuries.

of Milwaukee, and held on to the chute's shoulder straps.
"I sat down and slid out of the plane

with the bombardier on my back,"
Callahan said. "I pulled the ripcord as
soon as we left the plane and there was
only a slight jolt when the 'chute
opened."

As they floated down, Sanders worked his way around to the front of Callahan so that they could hold on to each other. The double weight caused them to hit the

Bombed Again 1,200 Forts and Libs Paste Reich Targets; Mediums

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer SHAEF, July 12—USSTAF weather officers on Feb. 20, predicting a period of phenomenally good weather, gave the word that loosed more than 800 British-Attack in France Boosting the weight of bombs dropped on the area of southern Germany housing

based heavy bombers at Germany's first line of defense—the Luftwaffe—and D-Day began to dawn. Over a 350-mile front, Eighth Air the Reich's fourth largest city to more than 6,000 tons in 24 hours, more than force Fortresses and Liberators struck, driving into the heart of the Reich from the southwest, north and east. The filers returned to their bases to report that they had cut enemy fighter production by more than 30 per cent and had shot 126 planes out of the air. 1,200 Fortresses and Liberators yesterday hit communications and other targets around Munich.

For the second successive day the escorted heavies slashed to Munich through cloud and intense flak without encountering a single interceptor on their

1,000-mile round-trip.

Ninth Air Force warplanes, flying in support of Allied armies in Normandy, pounded fuel dumps supplying German

panzer forces.

Marauders blasted two fuel dumps and enemy troops south of Caen, while Havoes smashed at gas and oil supplies of Domfront.

Although there was no Luftwaffe oppo-sition over Germany yesterday 26 bombers were lost, presumably to flak.

Big Air Force In Peace Asked

WASHINGTON, July 12 (AP)—
Robert P. Patterson, undersecretary of war, today proposed that a formidable post-war military air force be maintained with stand-by production plants ready for any emergency and that civilian flying should be vastly expanded.

Appearance before a Senate Military

Appearing before a Senate Military subcommittee he gave the following out-line of the War Department's ideas:

1—A post-war military establishment must be maintained on the assumption that America would not again have a period of grace between the start of war and the necessity for full scale military

2—The protective isolation of U.S. war plants could not be taken for granted in another war because of the development of heavy bombers,

Ankara Talks Under Way On Turks' Entry into War

ANKARA, July 12 (AP)—Conversa-tions between Turkey, Russia and Britain are afoot which may lead to Turkish parti-cipation in the war before the end of the

The present conversations, which are at the level of talks between the Soviet and British ambassadors and Turkish leaders, have taken up where the failure of the Cairo conference left Turkey's position within the United Nations un-

They must first surmount the bitterness which followed Allied charges that Turkey failed to keep her word.

Nazi Prisoners Escape

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., July 12— FBI agents and State Police are seeking eight German prisoners of war who escaped from two camps in western Michigan.

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What Is Needed

SMART boxer, when he has his opponent groggy, keeps punching away with all he has got.

Carrying this principle into the present world conflict the Allies, in view of present victories, must continue to fight as they have never fought before, never laying down their weapons or tools until the enemy is in a position for the knock-out blow which will make him call it "quits," unconditionally.

Reflecting this thought back home the Philadelphia Inquirer says, "Sobering to every American should be Gen. Eisenhower's vigorous assault against overoptimism concerning the war. . . . Particularly dangerous is it for any of us to sit back and indulge in the child-like faith that on one of these bright summer days Germany will blow up like a firecracker, revolutionists will take over and the Allies will march to Berlin while thousands

"There is no authentic data, for one thing, on how many Germans want to revolt against Nazi rule and on whether they would revolt if they had a chance. thoroughly in control is the Gestapo, with its snoopers, spies, thugs, torturers and slaughterers, that the odds are very much against an uprising of the German people until external military pressure becomes unbearable. . . The best way to speed the end of the war is to forget smugness, stop dreaming of a German collapse and work, fight and pray for

The growing realization on the Home Front of what is required for ultimate victory will hearten every American soldier engaged in the present struggle. Such encouragement gives each of us an added zest to do his particular tasks as though the struggle depended on us alone. This is the spirit—at home and in the front lines—that will hasten victory.

Spare Time Idea

F there are any American soldiers finding little to do on these rather uncertain nights of periodic raids, here's an idea from Sgt. Tietelbaum, of Milwaukee, Wis., which might interest

Lately, Sgt. Tietelbaum and a lot of other Yanks have been spending some very interesting and profitable odd moments mingling with British civilians staying in the air raid shelters under the city. They report that this is not only a safe way to spend one's spare time, but it affords an excellent opportunity to get acquainted with the British and perhaps do a good turn for the youngsters by taking along a few cookies, candy or gum. For these little tots especially the time hangs heavy in these unnatural surroundings under the glare of artificial lights, amid the noise of tube trains and shuffling

So next time you walk through an underground passageway and a youngster hails you with, "Got any gum, chum?" you might stop for a chat. Perhaps, in return, he'll tell you how many farthings there are in a sixpence.

All About Bombs

N ingenious release which greatly increases the bombing accuracy of America's fighter-bombers has been announced by Col. Philip Schwartz, Ordnance Chief of the Air Service Command in Britain.

Electrically-operated, the new bomb release allows fighter-bomber pilots to drop their lethal load in strings, one bomb after the other, so that fast-moving targets on the Continent can be bracketed. Previously, fighter-bombers dropped their entire bomb load at one time, by means of a simple mechanical

Col. Schwartz says that fighter-bombers are now equipped to carry loads ranging all the way from 20-pound fragmentation bombs to 1,000-pound demolition bombs. The most "popular bomb with the American Air Forces is the 500-pounder which allows a maxi-mum loading of planes. It disperses well and will demolish any target that doesn't require armor-piercing bombs. Of the 300,000 tons of bombs dropped by the U.S. Strategic Air Forces since August, 1942, 175,000 tons have been 500-pounders, the Colonel said.

All of which should make interesting—if distasteful—reading for the Nazis.

Yo-Yos May Soar

T looks like the price of yo-yos back home may soar to the skies as far as the Office of Price Administration is concerned.

The Newark, N.J., district office recently announced that it considered them relatively unimportant items in the

Also freed from regulation were wood hair-curiers, artificial stem flowers, novelty glass ice balls, cat and dog beds

and bee feeders.
What about fur-lined syrup pitchers and cut-glass fly swatters?

Hash Marks

Cpl. John A Szweda of a Fighter Station received a letter from his one and only . . . immediately wrote:

"Oh, my back,
She's a WAC!"

Still they come in: Newest member of

he ETO Club is Pvt. Edward Thomas

Each day and twice on Sunday, S/Sgt. Manuel Gonzalez writes no less than 25 pages to his wife. He says he writes of



his hopes, ambitions, plans for the future and love. At the rate of 6,000 words a day, that's a lot of love.

Definitions by Pvt. H. T. Holzinger:

K. Rations: A dictitian's dream of a substitute for food; a miscellany of edibles in concentrated form can be shipped to all parts of the world, undamaged, since the packages containing them are reinforced with hard tack, guaranteeing against shock, concussion, submersion—in fact against almost every-

thing except indigestion.

Peninsula: A long neck of land rapidly cut off by Allied military offensives.

What They Won't Think of Next Department. A room orderly had to serve a cup of coffee to a colonel in his bed every morning at 6.00. He had to go across the street into the officers' mess to get it. Whenever he reached the colonel's bed he had spilled about a third of the coffee. One day the colonel became angry and told his room orderly, "Johnson, if you bring the coffee cup once more only two-thirds filled you'll get KP for a week." From that time on get KP for a week. From that time on the cup was filled to the top every morn-ing. The colonel was smiling and after a few days he could not help but ask Johnson how he does it now. Johnson explained, "Sir, I have the cup filled to the top in the kitchen. After I leave the kitchen I take mental and in the conthe kitchen I take a mouthful of it and let it drop back before I enter your room." Since then the colonal is in the room." Since then the colonel is in the hospital . . . diagnosis nausea and Johnson is on permanent detail in the coal yard.

A W.O. lays claim to fame because his name is often used in papers and magazines, it is used to refer to a band of barbarians, it is used by lovers, sweet-hearts and married people in ordinary conversation, it is not uncommon to see it in personal letters, the British use it even more than Boche in this war as well as the last. He is W/O JG Herman C. Hunn Jr.

And a few of the guys sweating out return to France want to know what



they are making spaghetti of these days When they remarked about the scarcity of the stuff at a recent meal, they were told it dissolved while it was being

GI Mess Hall Philosophy Optimist: Pass me the cream, Pessimist: Pass me the milk. Cynic: Pass me the pitcher. H. A. H.

Try, Try-Yanks Did With Results

Driven From Town 4 Times, GIs Win It on Push No. 5

By Bud Hutton

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer WITH THE U.S. FORCES IN NOR-MANDY—Five times in 28 days the little crossroads town of St. Georges-d'Elle has changed hands. Five times American infantrymen have stormed out of the orchards on the southwestern flank of Cerisy Forest and fought their way into the dozen or so scarred stone buildings which are the town; four times German infantrymen and units of a crack paratroop division have retaken it.

Now, St. Georges-d'Elle is American, and it has been for enough days so that the men of a Texas battalion who have fought here since June 12 are sure it will not change hands again until the

it will not change hands again until the people of the town come back at length

walls and fill the shell holes.

As a matter of fact, the number of times St. Georges-d'Elle has been won and lost isn't certain; none of the men who have fought there is sure just how many times they surged up to the buttered. many times they surged up to the battered church and the houses to the south. They know it began June 12. After that it became a long weird time of shuttling across heading barley fields, of Germans and Americans separated only by two feet of matted hedgerows; a time of fighting by squads and teams of two and three men, until I and L and K companies had new commanders, and

so did most of the platoons and squads.

The battalion has won Silver Stars and Bronze Stars in the bitter fields a round St. Georges-d'Elle, but the winners point out that there really hasn't been any sure way of picking out the men who did the medal jobs. Every man in the outfit has fought, including the chaplain's assistant and the telephone operators, the head-quarters clerks and the sergeant major. Just after noon on June 12, 2/Lt. James

M. Bihlmire, of Three Oaks, Mich., started out from the edge of Cerisy Forest with his platoon, and headed for St. Georges-

d'Elle, a little over a mile away.
"We fought snipers all the way," Bihlmire remembers now. "We got to the edge of town, in two or three houses, and were pinned down. They sucked us in. After a while we got out."

Helped the Wounded

What Bihlmire doesn't tell is that in the process of getting in and out of the town he went back after better than a 'ozen men caught in fire, helped the wounded and got them out. His was St. Georges-

d'Elle's first Silver Star.

Bihlmire, who had picked up a total force of 69 men on his approach to the town, came back with 30.

On the 13th, the three units cleaned out

the wooded patches and the hedgerows between the forest and St. Georges, and on the 14th the scouts from one unit went up in the early afternoon. They found the Germans waiting, and although with help they slugged in to the center of the crossroads and reached the church-

to a field 50 yards to the north.

"It was pretty obvious by then that the enemy was going to do all he could to keep this place," explains 1/Lt. Laurence Ballard, of Gadsden, Ala. "Lt. Co. Navy (battlike) Col. Nazur (battalion commander) called for artillery in the evening, and we got five tanks. Ten minutes of our artillery and two of our units followed the tanks

in."
But by 11.30 that evening Jerry had regrouped his strength on the draw south of the town. He opened heavy mortar concentrations on the American foxholes and hedgerows. Behind the Yanks, some buildings caught fire. Silhouetted by the flames, easy prey for sharpshooters, the Yanks had to pull back and leave St. Georges-d'Elle. Georges-d'Elle.

They were getting tired now. As part of the Second Division, the outfit had of the Second Division, the outfit had come rolling south from the beaches, stormed through a dozen miles a day. Up ahead and to their right, however, lay Hill 192, strategic sentinel to St. Lo, and St. Georges-d'Elle guarded the eastern flank of 192; it couldn't be py-passed.

At 10.06 on the morning of the 15th, artillery hammered at the German concentrations in and around the town them.

centrations in and around the town, then the two units went in, with a third in reserve. Two hundred yards past the

town they dug in. This looked good, but German heavy mortars came up the back roads. At 5.40 PM the Yanks were back in the fields north of town.

The 16th was the day that made St. Georges a place of evil. That day the dead, khaki and gray and green, piled up so high in the gullies that they called a truce to bury them. American platoon fought German platoon hand-to-hand for 30 minutes, which is a very long time

30 minutes, which is a very long time with bayonets and gun butts.

The attack jumped off at 8.30 in the morning, and in two hours they were back in the positions they had left the day before. Artillery rolled out a mat of steel before them, and artillery observers dropped from sniper fire as they kept it as close to the advancing infantrykept it as close to the advancing infantry-men as they dared. The Germans, how-ever, were dug into their fantastically deep points and when the artillery lifted a lot of them were still there. The call went back for reserves, and there were

"Everybody went up to the line," says Pfc James Riggins, of Camden, S.C. "I'm the chaplain's aide, normally, but before that day was over I had been an ammo carrier, a rifleman and pretty near every-thing else in an infantry outfit. The chaplain was in there (Harold A. Carlson, of St. Paul, Minn.) tending the wounded and they gave him a Bronze Star, but he deserved a lot more."

In the churchyard, mortar shells up-

rooted tombstones, and infantrymen dug deep into the graveyard and stirred old bones to escape the rain of fire which fell all day. In the draw just south of town, a hundred yards or so, the dead and wounded began to pile up, bloody in the tall grass where rain had made the smell of the earlier dead heavy and foul. A truce was arranged so that the Medics might go out and care for the still living.

"We waited three hours after the Medics went out," the battalion's men remember. "But they never came back. remember. "But they never came back. Fourteen aid men and two infantrymen showed them the way. They never got

In Exposed Position

In the evening, the outfit was in an exposed position, and had to go back to the same old fields north of the town, which had become a no man's land.
On June 17, I and L companies

attacked, as best anyone can remember, but there was heavy shelling and they had to leave, and that afternoon they set

up a perimeter defense in the fields above the town, because the expected Nazi counter-attack was long overdue.

"About this time things were shaken down," explains red-headed T/Sgt. Joe Murphy, platoon sergeant from San Antonio. "The Germans didin't really come back to the town when we left it. come back to the town when we left it. It was sort of a place for us to get cider in the daytime, and they'd come in at

Before the morning of June 21, when the battalion had organized a new assault and behind anti-tank weapons moved into the town, hedge-row by hedge-row, to stay, the men who took St. Georges had left their stories as part of the Normandy front.

There was a tall, husky, longtime buck

Even Office Workers Are Called on to Engage in Fight

his BAR while he was covering two squads who had been pinned down by enemy fire. He covered them alone, and when a burst of Nazi machine-gun fire tore his helmet from his head he kept on firing, although the people who were watching swear the machine-gun hit the helmet three times before it touched the

He got wounded in the head on that one, wounded later in the back, the hand and the heel. He stayed in the line, and he's still there. ("Sergeant now, huh,

Murph?") Murph?")
Then there were Heilig and Kubala.
On the 16th, that tough day, Pfc George
Heilig, of Lebanon, Pa., and Pvt. Willie
Kubala, of Gerald, Tex., were pinned
down south of the town. Kubala's Mi
was put out of action. Kubala said he'd
stay with Heilig. Together they stayed stay with Heilig. Together they stayed there five days, in an old German dug-out, and on the fifth night, after trying each darkness, they were able to crawl back to the American lines.

Learn Lot of Things

From Cerisy Forest to the fields 100 yards beyond St. Georges-d'Elle, the three companies have learned a great many things about how to live and keep on living. They learned that the Germans have been studying Japanese sniper tactics, and that German snipers fre-quently will take a string of firecrackers into the woods with them. They fire once, then touch off the fuse of the firecrackers which are so arranged that one bursts every 20 or 30 minutes for five or six hours. The sniper, meanwhile, moves to another position and waits for the crack of the bursting firecracker to force an eager American to betray his position.

an eager American to betray his position. They've learned, as 1/Lt. James V. Lester, of Fayetteville, Ark., will tell you, that Jerry has an awesome respect of our artillery and our mortars. They've learned that German patrols will lay doggo for two or three nights, listening to American conversation, until they know the nicknames of the men. Then Jerry will slip up through a rainy night to a squad front and call, "Hey, Red! Red!" and if Red is very careless and answers he gets a grenade for his trouble.

grenade for his trouble.

Beyond St. Georges-d'Elle there are more wooded slopes, that is, when you get past the gully where the dead are still piled deep. And beyond those slopes there are more, and there is all France to go through. The battalion figures it's learned the hard way so far, and ought to do all right until there are no wooded slopes and two-foot thick hedge-

But at the cross roads where they have left their dead, the battalion's men-the infantrymen and the chaplain's aide and the telephone operators-will remember the sound of a mortar's cough in the tain and how the shells sounded as they There was a tail, husky, longtime buck private from Texas, who is a sergeant now but who has to ask Murph every once in a while to be sure it's so. The private got five out of eight Boches with

Pyle Calls 9th Division's Job In Cherbourg Battle 'Beautiful'

with the Ninth Infantry Division—the division that cut the peninsula and one of the three that overwhelmed the great port of Cherbourg.

The Cherbourg campaign is old stuff by now. But the Ninth Division has been in this war for a long time and will

be in it for a long time to come, so I would like to tell some things about it.

The Ninth is one of our best divisions. It landed in Africa and Sicily. Then it went to England last fall and trained all winter for the state of winter for the invasion of France. It was one of the two American divisions in the invasion that had previous battle experience.

Now an odd thing had happened to the Ninth while we were in the Mediter-ranean. For some reason which we have never fathomed the Ninth wasn't released through censorship as early as it should have been, while other divisions were. As a result the Ninth got a complex that it was being slighted. It fought hard, received heavy casualties and did a fine job generally, but nobody back home knew anything about it.

Wants Some Credit

Your average dogloot will go through his normal hell a lot more willingly if he knows that he is getting some credit for it and that the home folks know about it. As a result of this neglect in the Mediter-ranean the Ninth laid careful plans so

ranean the Ninth laid careful plans so that it wouldn't happen again.

In the first place, a new censorship policy was arrived at, under which the identities of the divisions taking part in this campaign would be publicly released just as soon as it was definitely established that the Germans knew they were in combat. With that his hurdle accomin combat. With that big hurdle accom-plished the Ninth made sure that the

It performed like a beautiful NORMANDY—During the Cherbourg peninsula campaign I spent nine days only in individual fighting but in a perfect

than most people would ever dream. The Ninth did something in this campaign that we haven't done in the past. It kept tenaciously on the enemy's neck. When the Germans would withdraw a little the Ninth was right on top of them. The Ninth moved so fast it got to be funny.

Plenty of Moving

It was based at division command post,

It was based at division command post, and we struck our tents and moved forward six times in seven days. That works the daylight of the boys who take down and put up the tents. I overheard one of the boys saying, "I'd rather be with Ringling Brothers."

Usually a division headquarters is a fairly safe place, but with the Ninth it was different—something always was happening. One night they had a bad shelling and lost some personnel. Every now and then snipers would pick off somebody. In all the time I was with them we never had an uninterrupted night's sleep. Our own big guns were all around us and they would fire all night. Usually German planes were over, too.

around us and they would fire all night.

Usually German planes were over, too. droning around in darkness and making us tense and nervous. One night I was sitting in a tent with Capt. Lindsey Nelson, of Knoxville, when there was a loud explosion, then a shrill whine through the treetops over our head. But we didn't jump or hit the dirt. Instead, I said I know what that is. That's a rotating band off one of our shells. As an old artilleryman I've heard lots of rotating bands.

Sometimes they sound like a dog howlng. There's nothing to be afraid of.
"Sure," said Capt, Nelson, "that's what
it was, a rotating band." But our harmless correspondents themselves would feel at home with them.

Of course, in addition to providing facilities for correspondents, a division has to be good in the first place if it is going to get good publicity. The Ninth is



"Every time you GIVE these Americans an inch-they TAKE a MILE . . . !"

Warweek

Communications—the Nerves of Battle History and Fate of Secret Weapons Foxhole Flat: Normandy Realty Notes

Thursday, July 13, 1944

1055 Hrs: Contact Established!

This Cryptic Entry in Log on D-Day Opened Dramatic Record of a Communications Triumph

By Ralph Harwood

Warweek Staff Writer

T 1055 hours the morning of June 6, 1944, it was at last possible to make this brief entry in the daily log of the -th Infantry, the famous First Division outfit that has since been awarded the War Department Distinguished Unit Citation for its achievements:

1st and 2nd Bns. get contact with the regimental CP and are moving forward slowly, hitting very heavy resistance.

Contact! Thank God! Command may well have breathed a little easier. You can only go so far with an operation of this kind on previously laid planseven when everything goes according to the book. Under the most favourable battle conditions, communications are the nerve system of a fighting force.

When anything goes haywire with the original assault plan, and on-the-spot alterations have to be made to meet the immediate situation, then contact between the various units taking part in an action becomes a matter of life and death.

That's the way it was with the —th Infantry D-Day morning. This is the regiment that ran head-on into the murderous fire of German fortifications overlooking the beach—fortifications that, according to plan, should have been taken out by the preliminary Allied bombard-

Role of Communications

The magnificent story is already known throughout the Allied fighting world of how this regiment, terribly hurt in men and material, and pinned down at the water's edge, pulled itself together in the face of a seemingly hopeless position to buck and slash on through to the interior.

To what extent signal communications backed up and supplemented sheer fighting courage in effecting this amazing recovery it would be hard to say. Certainly, Signal Corps and signal-trained men were among the first ashore. Those who made it through the mine-infested waters and managed to weather the hotsteel reception on the sand lived to make battle history with their radios and wire.

Nothing could show as dramatically as D-Day excerpts from the -th's journal the terrific job that was accomplished in establishing and maintaining commu-nications in the early hours of the Normandy campaign, or reveal more clearly the vital role communications played in the ultimate success of the operation.

Most of the entries are in the form of actual messages exchanged between the regimental CP and the battalions.

COMMANDING GENERAL

latest dope on troops' progress over hastily installed field phone.

Here are some of them, exactly as logged

in battle.

1115—CO to CO 2nd Bn.: 2nd Bn. is to hold up at point 38. Do not move further forward until you hear from us.

1120—S—3 to S—3 1st Bn.: Hold up at 38. Right, and we have contact with 2nd Bn. Enemy troops reported to be located at Surrain.

1145—S—3 to EX 1st Bn.: 2nd Bn., has landed. They will go in on your right. They will take your objective. You

right. They will take your objective. You dig in and prepare for a counter-attack. OK. A is on the right, C on the left, with B Co. following. We are still advancing slowly.

1145—S—3 to CO 2nd Bn.: I talked to Capt. Jones about the other outfit. How soon can you move the rear part of your CP here by us up forward? We have someone on the way back now to pick them up and guide them forward.

1205—Ex 1st Bn. to CO: Can we get

1205—Ex 1st Bn. to CO: Can we get any tanks up to Colleville-sur-Mer? Answer: No, none of them are up here yet. They are not off the beach. However, as soon as we can possibly get



anything up we will shoot it up to you.

keep yelling for it.

1210—CO C Co. to S—3: We must have some tanks or artillery up here soon. Will you see what you can do about it for us?

Answer: OK.

1223—Message to CO, 3rd Bn.: 2nd Bn. has had units in Colleville-sur-Mer for some time. 1st Bn. landed on the left of E—I, and is pushing in to assist the 2nd Bn. in taking its objective.

1232—Ex 1st Bn. to S—2: A Co, is at 678892. Part of B Co, is with them, and the rest is in reserve. We are going over to Point 19 first, and then towards 38. C

is at 681884, moving very slowly. Capt. Mathews, Co. B, said he lost about 12 men from pillboxes firing on them. He could not get contact with the battalion. Maj. Marshall said he wanted him over on the right. Maj. Marshall to S—3: We are 100 yards NW of 20. We are still pushing. still pushing.

1255-In with 3rd Bn. by wire.

1301-Out by wire with 2nd Bn.

1318—Maj. Lawrence to 1st Bn.: Lt. Colt is trying to find your CP and will follow the wire line up.

1326—S—3 to 2nd Bn. Fwd.: Where are you?

Answer: CP is now moving forward. We are not in contact with them just now. They took a radio with them to keep in contact with us.

Situation Tense

1327-S-3 to 1st Bn.: Are you in with

1327—S—3 to 1st Bn.: Are you in with Maj. Marshall now?

Answer: No. He is at the forward CP, and we cannot contact him now. However, I can give you the dope. A Co. is pinned down by a strong point just at the head of the draw there at E—2, over by 20, west of Colleville. B Co. is going along, sending a couple of sections over to help out C Co. C Co. is 100 yards NW of Point 20. The Naval Shore Fire Control Party is out with Maj, Marshall now. The 2nd Ba. is held down. We are in buildings S and E of 20. There is stuff all around. S—3: Artillery fire is coming in on the beach now.

Answer: I cannot see where it is

Answer: I cannot see where it is coming from up here.

1355—White out by wire.
1425—Msg. 2nd Bn. to CO: Co. I held up at Point 8. Co. I unable to assemble forces to advance and has enemy infiltrating his position. Co. L same situation as Co. I. Cos. I and L are just beyond Point 9. Tanks and reinforcements needed.

1440—1st Bn. to S—2: C Co. the same as before, and B Co. has moved up to the right of them. There is no other change. 1502—S—2 to 2nd Bn.: Have they cleaned out the town yet?



Signal Corps, Planet and OWI Photos.

CONTACT ESTABLISHED' was first word from handie-talkie men (top left). Further inland pack radio equipment keeps forward units in touch with CPs (top right). Field phone service (above) followed infantry.

let you know.

1515—2nd Bn. to S—2: Capt. Jordan started into the town. He had a small counter-attack. He had a couple of sections as far as the church. Wellman is trying to clean up. Messkit is going thru the town. . . S—3: Halftracks are in. I am sending them up. What is your CP location? Answer: The CP is at 683885. We have contact with the 1st Bn, only by means of passing men. The 2nd Bn., 18th, is passing thru. E Co. is working up on the right, We received information from a civilian that there information from a civilian that there were about 150 Jerries in Colleville-sur-Mer. We have only about 200 men left; 115 in G, two officers and 40 men in E, and two officers and 12 men in F. There take care of the control of the c are possible 20 more around.

What is the Latest . . .?

1540—2nd Bn. to S—2; What is the latest from Rosebud? Answer: Not so good. Part of I Co. did not land. Very low on strength.

1540-1st Bn. to S-2: C Co. is moving very slowly. B is on our right, moving slowly because of machine-gun fire. As far as we know, A Co. in same spot.

1640—S-2 to switchboard: Are we in with Chocolate Bar?

Answer: No, sir. 1725-In by wire with Mallard?

1800—Capt. Jones, 1st Bn. to S—2: Maj. Marshall says we need stuff up here to take out these pillboxes. If we can't get it we will be held up. We are leaving this for your consideration.

1935-Cruisers and ships firing heavy counter battery on guns firing on beach. 2045—S—4/to CP: Do you have any ammunition supply?

Answer: We do not have any as yet....

S-4: Do you have any transportation in yet?

in yet?

Answer: No. We are getting some in on DUWKs and as soon as they come in we will send you one of the DUWKs with ammunition. It will come in at E-1, 2048—Helmet line is out, 2100—Capt. Jefferson to Maj. Long: A German prisoner had two maps on him with three spots underlined, Believe

Answer: The first report I had a half-hour ago was that they were just on the outskirts of the town. I will check and let you know.

1515—2nd Bn. to S—2: Capt. Jordan they had underlined around 670859. Very little change.

Answer: If at all possible we will send them out to the ships tonight. Send them up to us as soon as you can, and we will take care of getting them out.

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2140—S—3 Rgt. to S—3: Hamilton is located just north of goose egg on your map. One company at 702872, one at 695873, and one at 788875. They are advancing to the high ground and then will move toward the west. We are holding back out 1st Bn. Do you have anyone in Colleville? in Colleville?

right. 2300-Maj. Morrison to Maj. Conrad: We are not able to evacuate any of our people. There are no evacuation facilities at the beach and something must be done. Answer: We will try and see that this taken care of at once.

2310-CO 2nd Bn. to S-2: Can you

give me any dope?

Answer: Yes. Two battalions are on that hill by you....CO: OK. People are infiltrating. We are digging in and need reorganization, tell the Colonel.

2310—Air raid on ships, beach, and short distance inland.

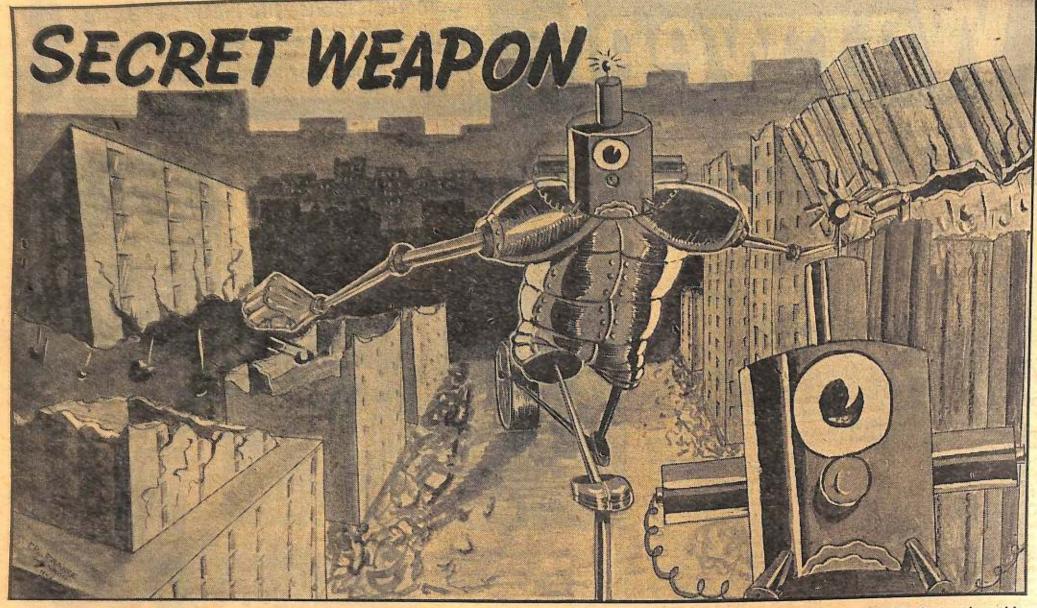
short distance inland.



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo

SIGNAL CORPS men string wires in shattered French town. They kept lines open under withering fire, played vital role in D-Day operation of famous infantry regiment. (See story above.)





BERLIN BUSTER, or Warweek's answer to German buzz bomb, is description of "artist's conception," shown above. Inventor Herron says he dreamed up this Secret Weapon to end all SWs all by himself. Warweek Editors think it came straight off the cover of an old copy of "Amazing True Science Fiction—Only 10 Cents."

ITLER'S kept press has been yelling its head off, these past few weeks, about the paralyzing effect of his newest military rubber check—the "Vergeltungswaffe 1" or "revenge weapon No. 1."

That's what the Nazis call their flying bomb, or pilotless plane or whatever strikes your fancy. It is the latest in the long parade of gad-gets with which military leaders have tried to buy victory the cheap way.

Sometimes these so-called "secret"

weapons have won a battle, or even a campaign. They have never, in the whole history of military operations, decided the outcome of a war.

There's nothing new about this kind of desperate seeking for some magic trick, some all-powerful thingamabob. Archimedes, a Greek mathe-matician, and quite an ingenious guy in his time, came up with a couple of them during the defense of the city of Syracuse-in what is now Sicilymore than 2,000 years ago.

Archie's Devices a Flop

He produced a novel job by which being kicked across out from the walls of the city and other dropped skull-cracking rocks on the Roman attackers below. He also drew two other nifties from the hat, one a sort of giant crane with a hook device to grab the bows of Roman galleys and haul them out of the water—spilling their crews into the sea. Another demon invention consisted of batteries of polished metal mirrors which were supposed to concentrate the sun's rays on the approaching vessels—and touch them off into floating bonfires.

being kicked across being kicked across battered Europe—due to a triple threat stab at Berlin itself.

Those in the know point out that secret weapons are entirely a side issue—and that they enver pack a Sunday punch. They claim that the elements of war are so numerous that an attempt to unscramble them up in one-two-or three technical inventions is a lot of hoocy. And history backs them up. The British stepped forth in the battle of Crecy with his bag of novel nuisances. The submarine made its debut as a secret weapon—but they were piled up in junk heaps at the ocean's bottom while Allied shipping poured men and materials into France. The whole world was astounded when another wescret" weapon—Big Bertha—whistled shells on and near Paris. This temporary into with his "invasion from the QM, Air Nevertheless, it must be posted as a clear cut terror device—one used in an attempt to demoralize civilian morale—but which, thus far, hasn't helped the the Nazi Army remains the paramount "secret" weapon—Big Bertha—whistled shells on and near Paris. This temporary into with his "invasion from the QM, Air They don't know at a secret weapon and the Continent And materials into France. The whole was astounded when another "secret" weapon—Big Bertha—whistled shells on and near Paris. This temporary into with his "invasion from the QM, Air They don't know at the lock of the Alice out terror device—one used in an attempt to demoralize civilian morale—but which, thus far, hasn't helped the Nazi Army remains the paramount "secret" wea long poles suddenly jutted their way

These "secret" weapons created a momentary confusion—but the Romans recovered, used traditional siege methods and wound up capturing and sacking the city. Archimedes was killed in the final assault. His secret weapon had only delayed—but not prevented—the final outcome of the campaign.

When the Garmane became had

When the Germans began hurling "Vergeltungswaffe" at England a torrent of tales poured from Germany describing "mass evacuations from flaming London,"

and the "uninterrupted pounding of South England port cities," and so forth.

Then Prime Minister Churchill unveiled the secrecy cloak and let the cat out of the bag. Truth was that the number of bombs launched from France were outnumbering the people killed by them. In all cases the "great secret weapon" was assuming the shape of a

ing the shape of a dodge — strictly a dodge to fog the real issue. Perhaps it never occurred to the average Herman the German to view the situation with anything but a rosy outlook. Otherwise he might've figured that secret weapon or no secret weapon the Germans were

being kicked across battered Europe—due to a triple threat

limped on into the next century.

Hannibal popped up with elephants—a sort of first armored force—with which he crossed the Alps. This great general of antiquity probably set some sort of precedent (and lost some elephants) but he couldn't put the skids on his lifelong for the Powers who best him. foe, the Romans, who beat him.

Merrimac and Monitor

The South's Merrimac and the North's Monitor clanged away at each other in our own country's history, but these ironclad secret weapons did nothing more than slug each other to a standstill. Charles Martel introduced a hammer, for the first time in the head a former. time, in the battle of Tours. Warriors hammered each other's heads in, but the weapon played no more than a secondary role.

The Amazing Story of Fantastic Arms

of the Past-Cheap Bids for Victory

Which Failed; Buzz Bomb is Latest

By France Herron

sink everything affoat. But the British retaliated with the DeGaussing belt—a metal strip attached to each ship, which popped off the mines and stopped the secret weapon cold.

Another type was the "crawling mine"

—a small, driverless tank filled with high explosive—used by the Germans in Italy. The "crawling mine" crept forth toward our lines on tractor wheels, with a long wire trailing behind it. At an appropriate moment—say when it reached an American barbed wire entanglement—the Huns pulled the wire, detonating the explosion and blowing up the objective.

Here, again, the Nazis achieved a few early successes, but their mystery weapon lent itself well to Doughboy rifle fire and anti-tank guns—and the "crawling mine"

anti-tank guns—and the "crawling mine" crawled into past tense.

This latest boogie monstrosity, the buzz bomb, appears to be a final backto-the-wall attempt by Hitler to stiffen up his buckling, folding stranglehold on Europe. Not that the robot plane isn't dangerous. that the robot plane isn't dangerous. Prime Minister Churchill said that more than 2,000 people were killed and 8,000 injured by buzz bomb round-the-clock raids on England.

buzz bomb won't be laughed at, but it's due for a severe shellacking.

Let's hope not, but maybe our grand-kids will witness some out-of-this-world secret weapons and mysterious inventions in time to come. Future military leaders may press their scientists to concoct such nightmarish items as gigantic robots, made of indestructible steel, controlled by XY2B radio waves—and which crash through solid stone buildings with the ease of walking through cobwebs.

Paging Fearless Fosdick

Another killer-diller would be Buck Rogers' ray disintegrating gun which, when fired at a pillbox, leaves nothing but a wisp of smoke and a pinch of grey powder. Yet another in the line of secret weapons could be the "specially constructed all-steel shoes" worn by Fearless Fosdick. Fosdick beheads opponents with one sharp kick under the chin—to the thrill of all Li'l Abner readers.

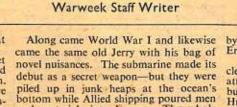
But the final outcome will be an ancient one—as old as Archimedes himself, and his battery of polished metal mirrors. They just won't work. They'll have to give way to good old-fashioned guts and brains, plus some sweat and conventional weapons. The army that is best qualified to win is going to win, despite the sneak punches thrown by unknown surprise devices.

devices.

In the long run the real secret weapon might be Joe footslogger and his pals from the QM, Air Forces, Signal, etc. They don't know anything about world domination and super races, and they care less. Their sole intent is to get it over with; to lick the Hun and what he stands for, and to get back home on the next boat out—without asking questions.

Instead of relying on ray guns and crawling mines they're doing it with M1 rifles and a batch of grit. Joe's the type that doesn't cater to a kicking around by ex-paper hangers and their Aryan thoroughbreds. Maybe that's why he's doing a good job.

And maybe that's a humdinger of a





AN AP PHOTOG waited for three days on a roof of a building to snap these unique pictures of Hitler's buzz bomb in flight. This is how the "secret weapon" looks to Yanks stationed in London and south England. First picture shows the bomb coming in, with flame streaming



Foxhole Flats in Normandy are Home to GI Shovel-Architects; Helpful Hints for Soldier Tenants

By Arthur Goodwin

Warweek Staff Writer

HERE'S a real estate boom on in Normandy these days—with one room flats in great demand. These apartments are sort of unlike those in the newer sections of any American city, but they have one great advantage-machine-gun bullets and shell splinters can't come in without

This unusual and highly desirable feature is due to the fact that these GI "homes away from home" are cleverly hidden away beneath the surface of what is sometimes called "Mother Earth." A very direct kind of guy might describe one of these Normandy flats as "this ——foxhole"—but that is a very unsympathetic approach, unworthy of the splendid young Americans who are of the splendid young Americans who are often found defending their country under the direction of a leather-lunged and flinthearted mess sergeant.

There is another attraction to these

self-contained dwellings: they are entirely rent free. That is, they are rent free unless some hours of back-breaking pick and shovel work can be considered as rent. Many well-informed persons are decidedly of the opinion that it can be, and should be, so considered.

Just as an illustration of one of the many ways in which these shovel-chateaux differ from more commodians cabins it

differ from more commodious cabins, it is well to remember this:

At home, a man first builds a house, then he plants a garden around it. In Normandy the procedure is reversed. The home-seeker finds a ready-made garden—and then digs his flat into some protected corner of it.

P-N-N-FFT-GEE, BABY

YOU'RE SO SOFT 'N NICE-

vient fire Himmillion books Alexandricate

... set up housekeeping together."

shovel-architects is to dig into and under one of these banks. If there's a ditch at the bottom and on the "right" side—which means the side facing AWAY from the market architects.

the nearest enemy positions-well, then,

the prospective tenant gets to work with an entrenching tool. The idea is to hollow out a trench long enough and wide enough for the man who plans to use it to lie down in comfort.

O.K, SMART GUY

NOW I S'POSE YOU'RE GOIN' TO SHOW ME

YOUR PRIVATE BATH

Any less than that is no good, any more just means extra digging.

more just means extra digging.

The depth is very important and the standard rule is the deeper the better—up to the point of it being so deep that a nearby shell would cave the walls in on top of the occupant. One or two feet deep is skimpy and dangerous—it leaves too much GI anatomy exposed to the chill winds from the Channel and the hot metal from Germany.

metal from Germany.

Ten feet would be just plain silly, beside being dangerous from the cave-in For the benefit of future tenants and householders in Normandy, as well as for the present occupants, here are some tasty little household hints about how to be comfortable in the corner of some-body's cabbage patch; point of view and a hell of a lot of needless work.

A good four feet is about right, depending on the location and the kind of ground.

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Lay a bed of green branches, with the leaves on, in the bottom of the excavation. This to provide insulation between the sleeping soldier and the cold, wet earth. Then, if you can get it, throw in all the grass available. This cushions any small rocks, sharp roots or the butts of the green branches. Pack the excavated earth in a parapet around the top of the trench, sodding it down so it doesn't show. Make this little extra protection about eight inches high.

Some GI architects line the inside of their trenches with cardboard from ration cartons. This is a good trick—if you can lay your hooks on any of this material. Just flatten 'em out and lay them in the bottom of the trench. The stuff will keep out the cold and dampness and helps a man get a night's sleep when he needs it bad.

be comfortable in the corner of some-body's cabbage patch:

First, the bedroom. In Normandy the best bet is to dig into the side of one of the innumerable hedge-banks along the roads or dividing the fields. These fields are all small and instead of stringing barbed wire or building stone walls to partition them off, generations of French farmers have built up dikes of earth.

Bushes and small trees grow on the tops of these banks and their roots hold the earth together. These roots also pro-vide a tough, springy cover which makes an almost shellproof roof over any exca-vation dug into the bank itself.

The scheme favored by most of the GI

The Joe who is up at the front with only a raincoat and a blanket will be most comfortable if he spreads the coat over his branches, grass and cardboard and then wraps himself in the blanket. Keep your head inside the blanket—it holds the heat in.

Keep your head inside the blanket—it holds the heat in.

In a reserve or support area it may be a good stunt to "marry" some other guy—and then set up housekeeping together. Dig a trench wide enough for two and use shelter halves and blankets to make a two-man sleeping bag. Use packs for pillows, but be sure you've removed your mess kit. Don't use the gas mask for a pillow—it may injure if.

Don't sleep too well—things happen fast in a war and it is very embarrassing to start fumbling around, sleepy-eyed, for your M1—only to discover that you don't have a hand to hold it in by the time you're wide awake. Keep one ear and one eye open all the time and whenand one eye open all the time and the eye.

Just take an empty C-ration can-punch a few holes in the sides near the top, fill it about two-thirds full of earth

or sand and then wet this down with gasolene. Light up and you'll get enough heat to warm up beans or pork and egg yolk so they are fit to eat. If you do have a G1 hot-box, here's a tip on how to

make it more effective: Take that same old C-ration can with holes in it as described in the preceding paragraph, empty out the earth or sand and set the hot-box inside it. This con-centrates the heat and makes it last considerably longer. Also it is easier to

Put out that way.

Your kitchen will be pretty well stocked, but there won't be much variety. Here are a couple of gags which may help to make those GI canned-goods tasks a little better.

1. Mix a can of beans, meat and hash together, heat the resulting mixture on the hot-box. It tastes different from any

Another stunt

with the cheese component, mix 'em all in the meat can of the mess kit and then cook slowly until the cheese is thoroughly melted and mixed with the heated ham-egg stuff. This particular dodge was in-vented by a Normandy farm-woman where some Joes were billeted. After they tried it they all agreed that the

they tried it they all agreed that the French didn't get a reputation for cooking just by knowing how to boil a cabbage.

There's lots of butter in Normandy, despite the war, so there will often be a chance to use it in making field rations taste better. Almost anything fried in butter is good—and chunks melted in with any of the combinations already described will make them taste better.

Now for dessert:

Now for dessert: Try whittling your chocolate "D-bar" into a cup partly filled with boiling water,

and shake on plenty of GI foot powder before putting on your socks again. A helmet substitutes for a lot of fancy plumbing in this foxhole civilization, but it's a poor substitute for a flush toilet. In fact these aids to comfort are a very scarce article in Normandy anyway-even in the best of times. In rear areas the old-fashioned straddle trench is the standard equipment.



"... second hand toilet paper blowing around."

It should be dug for a squad and at least 50 yards away from the position. Up nearer the front men dig little "cat holes" and cover them up after using. In both instance be sure that there's no secondhand toilet paper left to blow around the scenery. Cover it up with

Here are a few more hints on how to enjoy your one-room Normandy flat: Wrap your wallet or other valuable

wrap your wallet or other valuable papers in the cellophane cover of a Kration. It will keep them dry.

Many Normandy farm-women will be glad of a chance to earn a few francs doing washing for GIs. Provide the soap and such deals are easy to arrange. Just say LAH-VAY—and point to your tattletale gray.

Don't move anywhere without your

Don't move anywhere without your rifle and bayonet—enemy snipers may turn up at any moment—even in supposedly "safe" territory.

Wear your knife, if you are equipped with one, on your right leg, below the knee. You can get at it easier that way if you are crawling or lying—and that's what you'll be doing when the time comes for that little weapon.

Don't dig in in sand or loose earth.

Don't dig in in sand or loose earth. Hard, rocky soil is harder digging—but-it won't cave in on you and a hole just big enough to stand in and deep enough to get your head below the surface is



"For rea luxury . . . hot water."

fair hot chocolate pudding. Coffee is easy: boiling water, coffee crystals and sugar. The man who fancies a cold This is really a good combinadessert can make one with sugar, lemon crystals, water and cracker crumbs.

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2. Take the bouillon powder, some lemon crystals or a couple of Chelseas

is to melt bouillon powder in a little water and cook it in with the meat-hash-

one of the three alone.

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to the nearest farmhouse and swap them for an onion or a couple of spuds. (French pronunciation: ohn-YON and pom-de-tair). Cut up the vegetables and cook them with the meat-hash-

Here's another way of using the ham-

egg combination: Cut it into small chunks, do the same

Next in our self-contained Normandy apartment comes the bathroom. This isn't much of a problem. Practically every Norman farm has a pump in working order and pump water-plus soap, plus a bucket or an upside-down helmet equals one bath. If there isn't a pump

crumble crackers into it, cook out some more of the water and you'll have a pretty

handy, use river water. Streams abound in Normandy.

Warning: Don't drink that farm-house pump water, but it's OK for scrubbing the old hide. Hint: For real luxury, try moothing a bucket of bot water. mooching a bucket of hot water, ear chaude (oh shode) from some neighbor.

Pvt. Harold Raclin, from Brooklyn, solved the shower problem this way: "Four of us go down to a pump in a field. One guy pumps. Two guys stand guard. The fourth guy stands under the pump and washes. The water is cold—but what the hell, I'm clean and I feel swell."

Pfc John J. Stever, of Reading, Pa.,

"I just squat over a helmet full of soapy water and paddle it up around my crotch and armpits. Then wash myself all over with a washrag or a handker-

sure fire protection against any enemy tank which might break through and come charging over your position. If you think the weather and the living

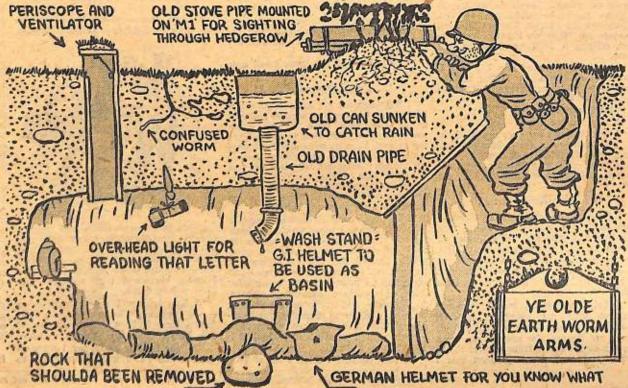
conditions are hard on you—and who doesn't—remember they are even harder on your rifle, carbine or BAR. Oil and re is the answer. When you need those weapons in this

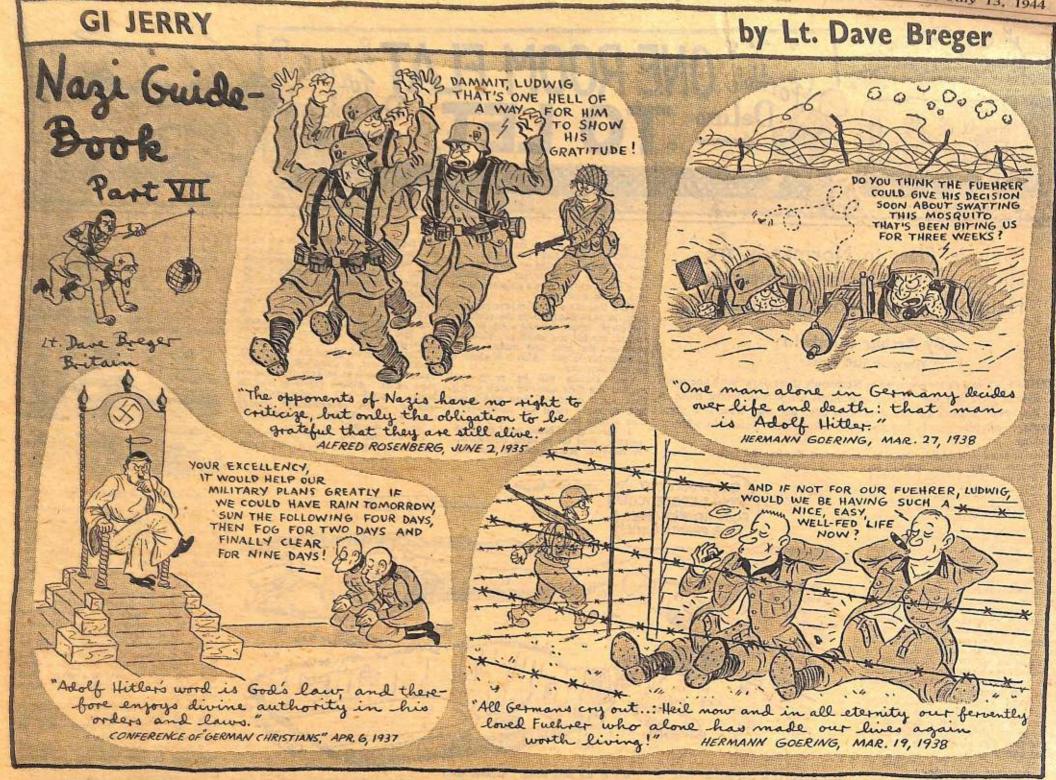
Lots of men don't go in for quite such extensive bathing, but, instead, confine themselves to their face and feet. One helmetful does for both—face first, then feet. Don't forget to dry your tootsies what can you lose?



the base of an apple tree. This isn't as risky as it sounds, because, although a tree or any other feature of the terrain which can be easily seen tends to draw fire, there are so many apple trees in Normandy that no one tree is any more likely to be a target than any other. The exception of course is the unusually high tree, which would explode any 88mm, shell passing through the branches, or one which happens to be in a particularly exposed or inviting spot. Common sense is the best guide. the base of an apple tree. This isn't as

with a location picked out—and suc-cessfully defended from "claim jumpers" to dig there too who figure they want to dig there too-









Every now and then some guy brings up the question which is as old as war itself: Why Do We Fight? On the face of it, this seems an obvious sort of question, easy to answer. Some people say we are fighting because we were attacked; others say we are fighting to remain free. are many ways of answering the question.

Yanks in France today have proven that they know why they are fighting. They don't have much time to talk about it-much less to write about it.

However, every now and then some Joe gets a little

down on paper. Down in the North African Theater of Operations a few weeks ago the Morale Services Division sponsored a "Why We Fight" essay contest, offering a \$100 war bond as first

Winner of the contest was T/5 Jack J. Zurofsky, of Brooklyn. These are the reasons he gives for fighting. What do you think of them?

"This is why I fight:

"I fight because it is my fight.

"I fight because my eyes are unafraid to look into other eyes; because they have seen happiness and because they have seen suffering; because they are curious and searching; because they are

'I Fight Because . . .

"I fight because my ears can listen to "I fight because my ears can listen to both sides of a question; because they can hear the groanings of a tormented people as well as the laughter of free people; because they are a channel for information, not a route for repetition; because, if I hear and do not think, I am deaf.

"I fight because my mouth does not fear to utter my opinions; because, though I am only one, my voice helps forge my destiny; because I can speak from a some-box, or from a letter to the newspaper, or from a question that I

extra time and the inspiration to put some of his ideas

may ask my representative in Congress; because when my mouth speaks and can only say what everyone is forced to say it is gagged. "I fight because my knees kneel only

'... and Because ...

"I fight because my feet can go where I fight obtaine my feet can go without please, because they need no passport to go from New York to New Jersey and back again; because if I want to leave my country I can go without being forced and without bribing and without loss of my savings; because I can plant my feet on farm soil or city concrete without anybody's by your leave; because when my feet walk only the way they are forced to walk they are hobbled.

"I fight because of all these and because I have a mind, a mind which has been trained in a free school to accept or to reject, to ponder and to weigh—a mind which knows the flowing stream of thought, not the stagnant swamp of blind obedience; a mind schooled to think for itself, to be curious, skeptical, to analyze, to formulate and to excess its consistence. to formulate, and to express its opinions; a mind capable of digesting the intellectual food it receives from a free press—because if a mind does not think it is the brain of a slave,

"I fight because I think I am as good

WhyAreWeFighting?-Gl'sAnswer

as anybody else; because of what other people have said better than ever I could; 'certain inalienable rights,' 'right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, 'government of the people by the people, and for the people,' 'give me liberty or give me death.'

"I fight because of my memories—the laughter and play of my childhood, the ball games I was in and the better ones I watched, my mother telling me why my father and she came to America at the turn of the century, my sisters marrying, my high school graduation, the first time I saw a cow, the first year we could afford a vacation, the crib at Camp Surprise Lake after the crowded, polluted Coney Island waters, hikers in the fall with the many-colored leaves falling, weenie and marshmallow roasts over a hot fire, the first time I wated my first date and the marshmallow roasts over a hot fire, the first time I voted, my first date and the slap in the face I got instead of the kiss I attempted, the way the nostrum quack would alternate with political orators on our street corner, seeing the changes for the better in my neighborhood—the El going down, streets being widened to let the sun in new tenements replacing the the sun in, new tenements replacing the old slums—the crowd applauding the time I came through with the hit that won us the borough championship; the memories, which, if people like me do not fight, our children will never have.

Something to Fight For

"I fight because I have something to

"I fight because of the life I 10pe to live when the fighting is finished, because



that life offers opportunity and security and the freedom to read and write and listen and think and talk, because, as before, my home will be my castle with the drawbridge down only to those that I invite, because if I do not fight, life itself will be death,

"I fight because I believe in progress
not reaction, because—despite our
faults, there is hope in our manner of
life, becaue if we lose there is no hope.

"I fight because some day I want to get married and I want my children to

be born into a free world, because my forefathers left me a heritage of freedom which it is my duty to pass on, because if we lost it would be a crime to have

"I fight because it is an obligation, because free people must fight to remain free, because when the freedom of one nation or one person is taken away the rights of all nations and all people are threatened, because—through our elected representatives—I had the choice—to fight or not to fight.

"... to Remain Free"

"I fight not so much because of Pearl Harbor but because of what Pearl Harbor meant. Because, finally after skirmishes with the Ethiopians, the Manchurians, the Chinese, the Austrians, the Czecho-

slovakians, the Danes, the Spaniards, and the Norwegians, Pascism was menacing us as we had never before been menaced, because only the craven will not defend themselves.

"I fight because 'it is better to die than live on one's knees."

"I fight because only by fighting today will there be peace tomorrow.

"I fight because I am thankful that I am not on the other side; because, but for the Grace of God or an accident of Nature, the brutalized Nazi could have

hature, the ordinazed Nazi could have been me.
"I fight in the fervent hope that those that follow me will not have to fight again but in the knowledge that, if they have to, they will not be found wanting in the crisis.

"I fight to remain free."

Normandy Sheet Gives View

A NOTHER slant on this business of wiggy today, Mom, and gracious, was he Zurofsky's essay elsewhere on this page) is contained in the July 1 issue of wuckies and little lambia. Le Tomahawk, mimeographed news bulletin published in Normandy by "Roy D. (News Slanted While U Wait) Craft, Ed." Here is an excerpt from a Craft editorial:

"The following is from an advertisement in the Saturday Evening Post for

"Dearest Mom: So old Bess has pups ain! That reminds me of so much. She had her last litter two years ago— just about this time of year—when everything was so fresh and new. That's I want to get back to, Mom-what all of us are fighting to get back to—the world at home where a fellow can give the sort of welcome he ought to give to a litter of setter pups in the spring. To watch them grow up with all the other new, young things, in a world that's bright and free. Your loving

"We think it's high time the copywriters learn that this war is being fought by grown men. We are soldiers, and good ones, and we are fighting because our country is at war and for reasons which grown men understand.

"We get pretty fed up with the sticky ads that begin 'Dear Mom' and end 'And that, Mom, is what I am fighting for-the corner drugstore with its double-extraspecial-thick chocolate malteds.'

"But since the public seems to think that soldiers are simple asses, drooling slush in the face of machine-gun fire, we offer the following uncopyrighted 'Dear Mom' letters direct from the front

"Dear Mom: Well, here we are in Normandy. I saw a cute little piggy-

wuckies and little lambie-wambies and oh, just oodles of young, free things to brighten a brave, new world. Your loving son, Joe.

"Dear Mom: We are camped in an orchard not far from Carentan that you've read about, Mom, and there are dairy cows grazing in our orchard and the peasants come right out in their wooden shoes and milk them and, Mom, one of the cows made fertilizer right. one of the cows made fertilizer right where I put down my blankets. Golly, where I put down my blankets. Golly, Mom, it sure smelt good and reminded me of you and Dad and old Muley. That's what I'm fighting for, Mom, a world in which there won't be no soldiers putting down their blankets right where old Muley wants to make fertilizer. Your old Muley wants to make fertilizer. Your loving son, Junior.'

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"Dear Mom: We are going through some hedgerows toward St. Lo today, Mom, and a German burp-gun got on me and I ducked into a dich and set off a Tellermine and a Tiger tank ran right over my ditch and a squad of Boche infantry started heaving fragmentation grenades at me and I got to thinking, Mom, of old Bess and her about to have pups again and, Mom, we can't have them pups born into a world that ain't free and bright, can we, even if it's the way you said old Bess got out that night and was bred by that Mongrel next door, so Mom, I got right out of my ditch and fixed that tank good and proper, and also the burp-gun and the Boche infantry, and we will get this here war over, Mom, just as soon as we can for you and Dad and old Bess and a better, brighter world for that little unborn litter. Your loving son, Henry."

Nationals Take 7-1 Victory in All-Star Game



Cindr. Joe Clinton Clifton, the former "Jumping Joe" Clifton, of Navy's 1930 backfield, recently returned to the States in command of a carrier-based air group that shot down 102 Jap planes, damaged 78, sunk 104,500 tons of shipping and damaged another 200,000 tons. Clifton holds the DFC and has been recommended for the Navy Cross, Air Medal, and a British decoration.

Bob Dill, the New York Ranger hockey defense man now playing the outfield with the Minneapolis Millers, recently walked into a dining car and saw ex-president Herbert Hoover having breakfast. Dill seated himself, and when the Republican looked up, said, "Hi, Herby." Hoover blinked a little and said "Hello, son." That's all the introduction Dill needed. He moved over to Hoover's table, got his He moved over to Hoover's table, got his autograph and spent the meal in conversation with the ex-pres. The former leader of the nation still had a slightly dazed look as he left the car.

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Joe Baksi, the latest find in the heavy-

Joe Baksi, the latest find in the heavy-weight boxing field, is still suffering from a wrist injury incurred in his fight with Lee Savold, and Tami Mauriello is doing his training chasing around the night-clubs, so Mike Jacobs is bringing up "Saint" Thomas, the former Pather Divine Disciple, to fight Lee Murray. Anybody who is big enough and knows anything at all about fighting can get a heavyweight fight in the Garden these days.

The recent publicity campaign for a college baseball world series is bearing fruit. The Pacific Coast conference appointed a committee to look into the possibility of staging a National Intercollegiate championship, and Oklahoma A. and M. asked the Missouri Valley conference to draw up plans for a postwar tourney.

Landis Is Mum On Retirement

PITTSBURGH, July 12-Rail-leaning Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis brushed aside reports that he intends to resign his post as baseball high commissioner

when his pact expires on Jan. 12, 1946.
"You'll have to ask Leslie O'Connor (Landis' secretary) about that," Landis said when asked about his status. "You know Leslie makes all my announcements."

As expected, O'Connor had "no comment" when cornered by the scribes.

Meanwhile, major league officials,
meeting before last night's All-Star affair,

appointed a combined National-American Leagues committee to consider a new agreement with Landis and to report back at the annual winter confab in December. Owners also reached an agreement on increased night-game activity for the re-mainder of the season, ruling that teams may play all their home games—except on Sundays and holidays—under the mazdas if traveling teams approve.

No Games Scheduled in Majors

NEW YORK, July 12—Because of last night's All-Star game at Pittsburgh no games were scheduled in the major leagues today.

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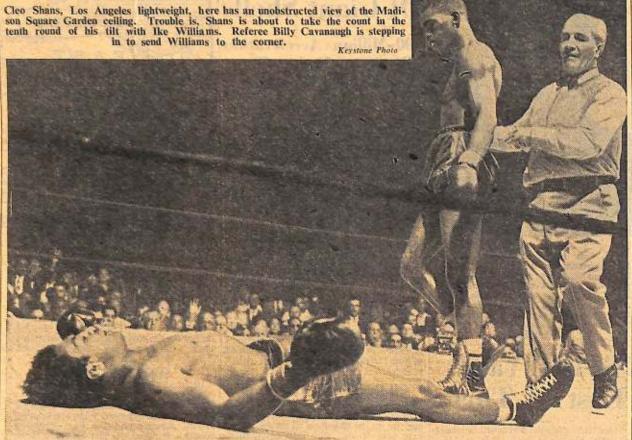
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Plenty of Room for a View



BritishFoes,7-3

A PARATROOP STATION, July 12 GI glovers rolled to a 7-3 team victory over British 'troopers here last night in the rubber match of a boxing series which began when the outfits were in North

More than 3,000 customers paid \$1,000 to see the show, proceeds going into a fund for widows and dependents of American and British paratroopers who have been killed in action.

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Three quick finishes featured the 'enbout card. Pvt. James Eldridge, 160-pounder from Jackson, N.C., put his British opponent to sleep in the second; Cpl. Clyde Farrier, of Ritzville, Wash., 152, was awarded a TKO verdict in the second, while Pvt. Arthur Gagne, of Willimantic, Conn., 154, was knocked out by Pvt. Flamberg in the second.

Other U.S. winners were Pvt. George Silvasy, Pittsburgh, 159; Pvt. James Buskirk, Davella, Ky., 163; Pvt. Michael Valdez, New York, 140; Pfc Burtis Sewox, Houston, Tex., and Pfc Emmett Yanez, St. Paul, 129.

Minor League Results

International League

Buffalo 4, Rochester 0
Other teams not scheduled.

W L
Jersey City 44 35 .557 Newark .39 42
Montreal . 42 35 .545 Toronto .38 42
Buffalo . 42 36 .538 Rochester .37 43
Baltimore .40 35 .533 Syracuse .31 45

Eastern League
Utica 3, Wilkes-Barré 0 (first game)
Other teams not scheduled.

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Hartford 49 20 .710 Elmíra 29 36
Albany 42 6 .629 Wilkes-B're 31 42
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Utica 34 38 472 Scranton 25 48

American Association
Toledo 2, Louisville 1
Columbus 14, Indianapolis 4
Milwaukee 9, Minneapolis 2
Kansas City-St. Paul postponed.

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Southern Association
New Orleans 4, Mobile 0 (Monday night)
Nashville 2, Birmingham 1 (first game)
Nashville 6, Birmingham 1 (second game)
Little Rock 6, Atlanta 4
Memphis 3, Chastanoosa 2
Other teams not scheduled.

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Nashville . 5 2 .714 Little Rock 3 4
Atlanta . 4 3 .571 N. Orleans 3 4
Birminsham 4 3 .571 Chattanooga 3 4
Memphis . 4 3 .571 Mobile . 2 5 Pacific Coast League
Oakland 5, San Diego 0
Sacramento 10, Los Angeles 4
Portland 10, San Francisco 4
Other teams not scheduled.

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Chutemen Stop Tartans Plan Return to Grid; Snavely to Drill Two Elevens

PITTSBURGH, July 12-Officials at Carnegie Tech aren't sure there will be a Tartan eleven this fall, but other schools which released their schedules today have Carnegie Tech listed as an opponent.

Pittsburgh and West Virginia have carded the Tartans, and Michigan State previously announced it would tackle Carnegie Tech at East Lansing, Mich., on Nov. 18.

"Yes, we're still clinging to hopes of about 100 candidates present to hear playing football this fall," said Clarence Coach Carl Snavely outline plans for the Overend, Tech's athletic director. "We have about 450 civilian students right now,

Report at Ithaca

oncoming campaign. Snavely said he intends to build two teams, one of which will be used to fill vacancies when the

but Uncle Sam may grab many of them."

100 Candidates

Report at Ithaca

ITHACA, N.Y., July 12—Cornell opened summer grid drills yesterday with

will be used to fill vacancies when the current Navy term ends in October, "Snavely said, "and we have very few experienced men."

Holdovers are Frank Accorsi, Nathan Cherr and Allen Dekdebrun, backs, and Grant Ellis, Cecil Snyder, Richard Golden and Alex Beebee, linemen.

Play-by-Play of All-Star Game

First Iming

AMERICAN—Marion threw out Tucker, Spencer rolled out to Cavarretta, unassisted. McQuinn singled to right. Stephens singled to center, McQuinn stopping at second, Walters fanned Johnson, whose bat slipped on third strike and almost hit Walters. NO RUNS, TWO HITS, NO ERRORS:

NATIONAL—Galan grounded to Keltner, Cavarretta walked, Musial beat out a roller to Doerr and Cavarretta reached third when Doerr's throw to Borowy, covering first, was wild. Cooper lined to Spence in right and Spence's perfect throw to Hemsley nailed Cavarretta at the plate. NO RUNS, ONE HIT, ONE ERROR.

Second Inning

AMERICAN—Keltner singled to left and advanced to second while Ryan whipped out Doerr, Hemsley grounded out, Marion to Cavarretta. Keltner moving to third. Borowy smashed a single through the box, scoring Keltner. Tucker rolled out, Ryan to Cavarretta. ONE RUN, TWO HITS, NO ERRORS.

NATIONAL—Walker singled to center. Elliott forced Walker at second, Keltner to Doerr. Ryan flied deep to Tucker in center, Elliott holding first, Marion opponed to Doerr. No RUNS, ONE HIT, NO ERRORS.

Third Inning

AMERICAN—Spence singled to right. McQuinn grounded to Walters, whose throw to Marion of Marion.

Third Inning

AMERICAN—Spence singled to right. McQuinn grounded to Walters, whose throw to Marion forced Spence at second. Stephens was tossed out, W. Cooper to Cavarretta, McQuinn taking second. Johnson was out. Elliott to Cavarretta. NO RUNS, ONE HIT, NO ERRORS.

NATIONAL—Out set an All-Star record by participating in his 11th game as he batted for Walters and flied to Tucker. Tucker also took Galan's fly. Cavarretta stashed a triple between Tucker and Johnson in left center. Keltner pegged out McQuinn. NO RUNS, ONE HIT, NO ERRORS.

ERRORS. Fourth Inning

AMERICAN—Raffensberger replaced Walters
for the National League, Keltner popped to
Cavarretta, Doerr went down swinging. Ryan
made a Jeaping one-handed catch of Hemsley's
liner. NO RUNS, NO HITS, NO ERRORS.
NATIONAL—Hughson and Hayes was the new
American League battery. Cooper fanned on
three pitters. Walter skied to Spence. Elliott
flied to Tucker. NO RUNS, NO HITS, NO
FERORS.

ERRORS.

Fifth Inning

AMERICAN—Hughson was safe on Ryan's error. Elliou's throw to Marion forced Hughson at second on Tucker's attempted sacrifice bunt. Spence singled to center, sending Tucker to third, but Spence was out trying for second, Musial to Elliott to Ryan. McOulm took a third strike. NO RUNS, ONE HIT, ONE ERROR. NATIONAL—Ryan singled to center and stole second as Marion missed a third strike. Nichol-

son batted for Raffensberger and doubled to right, scoring Ryan. Galan swatted a single over second, driving in Nicholson. Cavarretta walked on four pitches. Musial bounced to Doerr, but McQuinn muffed Doerr's throw and the bases were loaded. Cooper singled to left, scoring Galan, but Cavarretta was nipped at the plate. Johnson to Hayes, Musial moving to third on the play. Walker singled to right, scoring Musial and sending Cooper to second. Muncrief replaced Hughwa. Johnson took Elliott's fly. FOUR RUNS, FIVE HITS, ONE ERROR.

Sixth Inning

AMERICAN—Sewell now pitching and Kurow-ski playing third for the National League. Stephens struck out. Johnson walked. Keltner rolled into a double play, Marion to Ryan to Cavarretta. NO RUNS, NO HITS, NO ERRORS

NATIONAL—Ryan singled to left and raced to second on Marion's sacrifice bunt, McQuinn, unassisted. Ryan took third on a wild plich. Sewell looked at a third strike. Galan was retired on a fast play, McQuinn to Muncrief, who covered first. NO RUNS, ONE HIT, NO ERRORS.

Seventh Inning

AMERICAN—Doerr flied to Galan.

ent down swinging. Higgins batted for M and was thrown out. Kurowski to RUNS, NO HITS, NO ERRORS. vski to Cavarretta, NO

RUNS, NO HITS, NO ERRORS,
NATIONAL—Newhouser went to the mound for
the American League. Cavarretta singled to
center. Musial sacrificed, Keliner to McQuinn.
Cooper beat out a high bounder over second,
Cavarretta moving to third. Stephens grabbed
Walker's short fly. Kurowski punched a double
to left, scoring Cavarretta and Cooper. Ryan
popped to Doerr. IWO RUNS, THREE HITS,
NO ERRORS.
Violath Inning.

AMERICAN—Tucker lined to Musial. Ryan tossed out Spence. Cooper grabbed McQuinn's bunt and threw him out. NO RUNS, NO HITS, NO ERRORS.

NO ERRORS,

NATIONAL—Marion struck out but was safe
at first when Hayes dropped the third strike.
Hayes was charged with an error. Medwick
hatted for Sewell and sacrificed, Newhouser to
McQuinn. Galan and Cavarretts walked, filling
the bases. Musial lined to Johnson in left, Marion
scoring after the catch. Newsom relieved Newhouser, Cooper popped to Doerr. ONE RUN,
NO HITS, ONE ERROR.

Ninth Inning

AMERICAN—Tobin now pitching. Mucatching, Vince DiMagglo replacing Mustal center and Musial moving to right in place Walker. Stephens lifted to Musial. John flied to Galan, Keliner popped to Ryan. RUNS, NO HITS, NO ERRORS.

Winners Amass 12 Hits Against **FiveALHillmen**

Nicholson, Cavarretta Star At Plate; Sewell Hurls 3-Inning Hitless Ball

PITTSBURGH, July 12 — Timely slugging by Bill Nicholson and Phill Cavarretta, enjoying an evening away from their downtrodden Chicago Cubs, paraded the National Leaguers to a 7—1 victory over the American League here last night before a capacity throng of 36,000 at Forbes Field in the 12th annual All-Star game.

All-Star game.
It was the fourth victory for the senior circuit squad since the series was in-augurated in 1933 at Chicago, and the most one-sided defeat suffered by the Americans.

Americans.
Nicholson, Cavarretta and Co. hammered five American twirlers for 12 hits, while the losers were held to six carefully spaced blows by Bucky Walters, Ken Raffensberger, Rip Sewell and Jim Tobin. Hank Borowy, Tex Hughson, Bob Muncrief, Hal Newhouser and Bobo Newsom toiled for the American League, Raffensberger being the winner and Hughson the loser.

Hughson Chased in Fifth

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Stealing the hitting thunder usually employed by their foes, the Nationals chased Hughson to the showers with a four-run barrage in the fifth, then collected two more off Muncrief in the seventh and another off Newhouser in the eighth. Marse Joe McCarthy's team averted a shutout and enjoyed a momentary lead by scoring their lone run in the second.

Cavarretta peppered a triple and single and got three walks for a perfect slate. With Nicholson's all-important pinch-hit double in the big fifth inning tally, the Cub representatives produced more than enough runs to clinch the verdict.

The only time the junior loop nine threatened was in the second when Ken Keltner singled, advanced to third on two infield rollers and scampered across on Borowy's single through the box. Sewell blanked the McCarthymen in the sixth, seventh and eighth, while Tobin followed the same pattern in the ninth.

Borowy Shackles Victors

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Borowy handcuffed the squad managed
by Billy Southworth during his threeinning appearance, then departed in
favor of Hughson, who was treated
roughly. In the fatal fifth, Ryan rifled
a single and stole second. Then Nicholson chased him home with a two-bagger
to right field, and the Bruin outfielder
himself crossed the plate shortly thereafter, when Augie Galan, an exChicagoan, rapped a single. A walk to
Cavarretta, George McQuinn's miscue
and Walker Cooper's single finished
Hughson. Hughson.

Newhouser was the victim of a mild uprising in the seventh chapter. Cavar-retta and Cooper lashed out singles, and

both scored when Whitey Kurowski uncorked a line double to left field.

The final run was unearned. Marty Marion reached first when Catcher Frankie Hayes fumbled his third strike, and strolled to third when Galan and Cavarretta sweated out Newhouser for free tickets filling the bases. Stan free tickets, filling the bases. Stan Musial's towering drive to Johnson registered Marion, but Newsom took over in place of Newhouser and forced Cooper to pop to Bobby Doerr. Here is the box score:

American League (1)

		Ais	R	H	0	A	E
Tucker, cf	2.4	4	0	0	4	0	0
Spence, rf	**	4	0	1	5	1	0
McQuinn, 1b	**	4	0	1	5	1	1
Stephens, ss		4	0	1	1	0	0
Johnson, If		3	0	0	20	1	0
Keitner, 3h	**	4	1	1	0	4	0
Doerr, 2b		- 3	0	0	4	1	1
Hemsley, c	-00	3 4 3 2 1	0	0	4	0	0
Hayes, c		- 1	0	0	4	0	1
Borowy, p		1	0	1	0	0	0
Hughson, p		1	0	0	0	0	0
Muncrief, p		0	0	0	1	0	0
x-Higgins	100	1	0	0	0	0	Ö
Newhouser, p	-	0	0	0	0	1	Ö
Newsom, p	100	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2.7	100	-		***	- 77	
		32	1	6	24	9	3
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Galan, If	1.1	4	1	1	.2	0	
Cavarretta, 1b		2	I	2120	12	0	0
Musial, cf-rt	**	- 4	1		*	1	0
W. Cooper, c		5	1	4	5	2	0
Mueller, c	**	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walker, rf		4	0	2	0	0	0
DiMaggio, cf	**	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elliott, 3b		3	0	0	0	3	
Kurowski, 3b	**	- 1	0	4	0	0	(
Ryan, 2b		4	1	20	4	4	
Marion, ss		3 0	1	0	2	3	1
Walters, p	-		0	0	0	1	- (
y-Ott		- 1	0	0	0	0	
Raffensberger, p	99	.0	0	0	0	0	1
zz-Nicholson		1	1	81	0	0	1
Sewell, p	- 11	1	0	0	0	0	
zz-Medwick	20	Ô	0	0	.0	0	- (
Tobin, p	74	0	Ö	0	0	0	- (
10000	100		-	1		-	
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x-Batted for Muncrief in seventh. z-Batted for Walters in third. zz-Batted for Raffensberger in fif zzz-Batted for Sewell in eighth.

Score by innings: American .. 010 000 000—1 National .. 000 040 21x—7

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Runs batted in—Borowy, Nicholson, W. Cooper,
Galan, Walker, Kurowski (2), Musial. Two base
hits—Nicholson, Kurowski. Three base hits—
Cavarretta: Stolen base—Ryan. Sacrifices—
Marion, Musial, Medwick, Double plays—Spence
to Hemsley, Marion to Ryan to Cavarretta. Left
on Bases—American 5, National 9. Bases on balls
—Off Borowy, 1; Hughson, 1; Sewell, 1; Newhouser, 2. Strick out—By Walters, 1; Raffensberger, 2; Hughson, 2; Sewell, 2; Muncrief, 1;
Newhouser, 1. Hits—Off Walters, 5 in 3 innings;
Raffensberger, 1 in 2; Borowy, 3 in 3; Hughson,
5 in 13; Muncrief, 1 in 113; Sewell, 0 in 3;
Nowhouser, 3 in 13; Newsonn, 0 in 1; Tobia,
0 in 1. Wild pitch—Muncrief, Winning pitcher—
Raffensberger, Losing pitcher—Hughson, Umpires
—Barr, Berry, Scars and Hubbard. Time—2:11.







4th-Term Foe Corlett in France Balks at Going To Convention

Sen. Gillette Withdraws As Delegate For Slate Pledged to FDR

DES MOINES, Ia., July 12 (ANS)—Sen. Guy Gillette (D.-Ia.) announced yesterday he was withdrawing as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention in Chicago next week because "I couldn't conscientiously vote for the renomination of President Roosevelt."

Gillette, who opposed a third term for Mr. Roosevelt and as a result withdrew also as a delegate in 1940, pointed out that the lowa delegation was instructed to vote for the President's renomination.

Helen Hayes Attacks Rep. Fish

NEWBURGH, N.Y., July 12 (ANS)— Helen Haves MacArthur, stage and screen actress, speaking at a Republican political rally in behalf of Augustus M. Bennett, candidate for nomination to Congress from the 29th District, yesterday called Rep. Hamilton Fish, Bennett's opponent,

Rep. Hamilton Fish, Bennett's opponent, a "cat's got your tongue" congressman. The actress, a resident of Nyack in Rockland County, was making what she termed her first "political" speech. She charged Fish had "boasted" he had kept the country out of war for six months by his votes against defense measures.

measures.

"The cat's got your tongue, Congress-man," she said. "What about what might have happened in this sick world had we

"You can ask the Marines on Wake Island or the boys on Bataan, but their voices are muted behind Japanese barbed wire."

Candidates Named

MINNEAPOLIS, July 12 (ANS)— Republican Gov. Edward Thrye and Byron Allen, Democratic Farmer-Laborite indorsed by a convention which formed the new party last April, were nominated for governor on the basis of unofficial returns from Monday's pri-

Thrye was picked by Gov. Harold E. Stassen to take over the governorship when Stassen went on active duty as a Navy lieutenant commander 15 months

Allen, a former Iowan who describes himself as a "Wallace Democrat," based his primary campaign on a plea for continued support of the national administrathe re-election of President

Farley's Successor Named

ALBANY, N.Y., July 12 (ANS)—Paul E. Fitzpatrick, of Buffalo, described as "one hundred per cent for Roosevelt," has been chosen New York state Demoeratic chairman to succeed James A.

Southern Democrats Warned

MONTGOMERY, Ala., July 12 (ANS) Southern Democrats, many of them booming their own favorite sons for the vice-presidential nomination, are "treading on thin ice" in failing to get together on a choice for the nominee, Gov. Chauncey M. Sparks said.

Sparks expressed the view that Henry Wallace was "not out of the picture"

A. Wallace was "not out of the picture" and added:

"Unless we get together and present a united front we may lose out on our recommendations for a better deal in the South. North Carolina wants Broughton (Gov. J. M. Broughton), Tennessee wants Cooper (Gov. Prentice Cooper), Texas wants Rayburn (House Speaker Sam Rayburn) or Connally (Sen. Tom Connally). Missouri wants Truman (Sen. Harry S. Truman), Kentucky wants Barkley (Sen. Alben W. Barkley) and so on."

The Light That Failed

READING, Pa., July 12-William A. Imogene Nagle, charging desertion. They were married 61 years,

Radio Highlights

AFN in the United Kingdom-1000 hours-2300 hours

On Your Dial 1402 kc 1411 kc 1420 kc 1447 kc 213.9m. 212.6m. 211.3m. 207.3m.

Thursday, July 13

—Victory Parade, with Les Brown.*

—Personal Album, with Yvette.*

—Morning After—Mail Call.

—Duffle Bag.*

—The Male Man.*

—Visiting More, the Great Gilden less.

-Visiting Hour—the Great Gildensleeve, On the Record.* Music We Love.* Downbeat.*

1725—Army Hour.
1755—American Sports Roundup.*
1805—GI Supper Club.
1905—Bing Crosby.*
1935—Fitbler McGee and Molly.*
2000—Hothe News from the U.S.A.
2005—Contedy Caravan, with Jimmy Durante and
Gary Moore.
2030—Glen Miller Orchestra.
2145—Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians,*
2200—Ten O'clock Special.

AEF on the Continent-0555 hours-2300 hours

On Your Dial 1650 kc. 285m Rise and Shine.

Rise and Stine.
Bandwagon.
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Loudon Studio Players.
Lou Losa Onchestra.
Lose Norman's Rumbolero Orchestra.
Canadian Army Dance Band.
Gilbert and Sullivan.
AEF Radio Playhouse.
Glen Miller Orchestra.
Stephane Grapelli Quintet.
Indicates programs heard on both networks.



Associated Press Photo Maj. Gen. Charles Harrison Corlett, 54, is commanding a U.S. Army Corps in Normandy, it was announced officially yesterday. Corlett commanded the U.S. and Canadian forces which drove the Japs out of Kiska, in the Aleutians, and later commanded the Seventh Division in its assault on Kwajalein atoll, in the Marshall Islands

Hit Rail Yards East of Turin

More than a hundred Mitchell bombers yesterday blasted railway yards at Ales-sandria, 40 miles east of Turin, while Fifth Army units pushed forward two miles toward Leghorn by occupying the coastal town of Castiglioncello.

On the Adriatic coast, the Eighth Army began shelling Ancona's big harbor installations.

The Mitchells dropped 200 tons of bombs on a concentration of 1,700 railway wagons at Alessandria. Photographs showed that more than 1,400 of them were destroyed or damaged.

Along the whole Italian front, bitter enemy opposition was reported, with the Germans playing for time to strengthen the Gothic line.

A Swiss diplomatic source reported that the Germans had installed a new headquarters in Bavaria in preparation for total retreat from Italy. The new headquarters were said to be designed for use "for the future battle zone of south Germany," with some 300 strongpoints being constructed from the Brenner Pass into the heart of Bavaria,

USSTAF -

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of January, 1944, to where it was power-less to interfere with the landings on D-Day and now has become a "negligible" force, the USSTAF spokes-man asserted.

From Feb. 20, he said, the German air force, although still able to inflict losses on raiders, "has not been a major factor on any war front."

In addition, he declared, the American heavies, in a six-month period in which

heavies, in a six-month period in which 263,483 tons of explosives were dropped, severely damaged 64 vital Nazi oil targets and a great variety of other key

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cends the fact that it's a Negro combat unit. Its firing record, accuracy and output are acclaimed from corps artillery

headquaters to the foxhole-pitted ridges of Hill 122 where muddy, tired infantry-

Fabulous Amount

matics-plotting and computing-pre-cedes the sending of fire directions to

the individual batteries. It's a chain that runs from the forward OPs, consisting of an officer and a couple of EMs usually dug in with the infantry up on the lines, to divisional artillery CP, and down to the battalion CP, where the computers work. This CP is the hub of everything the battalion des.

work. This CP is the hub of everynments the battalion does. Teams of computers and horizontal and vertical control and horizontal and vertical control and horizontal every six hours under

operators alternate every six hours under the gunnery officer and his assistant.

These men are considered the "brains trust" of the outlit, though they credit the other two departments, communica-

tions and gun sections, with more vital

When this reporter entered the CP dug-

A fabulous amount of intricate mathe-

NEWS FROM HOME

Army Steps Up Its Production Of Giant Shells

100-Million Acceleration Program Under Way With High Priority

WASHINGTON, July 12 — Future Allied offensives will place greater emphasis upon heavy artillery, it was disemphasis upon heavy artillery, it was dis-closed today with a War Department an-nouncement that the Army is increasing production of big shells by several hundred per cent.

Capitalizing on combat experience, the Army said contracts for 155-mm. and eight-inch and 240-mm, shells have been placed with 60 metal manufacturing con-cerns alone whose facilities are being ex-

praced with 60 metal manufacturing con-cerns alone whose facilities are being ex-panded under a \$100,000,000 program.

Brig. Gen. Robert Hardy, chief of the ordnance ammunition division, said the program was so urgent that WPB had granted highest priorities on equipment and material. and material.

The program is in keeping with the Army theory that the greater the weight of ammunition used, the more lives can be saved. The effectiveness of big shells was attested recently by German prisoners in Normandy who complained of the 'terrific concentration' of Allied artillery.

Oil Boom Looms in South

VICKSBURG, Miss., July 12-Oil industry leaders, believing the deep South may be on the threshold of an oil boom, have sent trained men into Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Florida in quest of new fields. The Petroleum Administration for War has placed the new exploration effort second only to vital war demands as far as priority on mate-rials and manpower is concerned.

Ah, the Glorious Future

ST. LOUIS, July 12-Shineless blue serge suits and wrinkleproof clothing for men after the war were promised by the Monsanto Chemical Co. It announced discovery of new techniques for chemically treating natural fibres so that even long train rides or a walk in the rain won't mar the crease in trousers

Bea Lillie Back on Broadway

NEW YORK, July 12 (UP)-Beatrice Lillie, the English actress, has been engaged for a Broadway revue opening Dec. 7, Billy Rose, the producer, announced today.

Wreck Yields 33rd Body

JELLICO, Tenn., July 12—The 33rd and apparently the last body was removed last night from the wreckage of the Louisville-Nashville troop train which piled up in a gorge near here last Thurs-

Predicts Philippines Seizure

NASHVILLE, Tenn., July 12—Bataan and most of the Philippines will be in American hands by Nov. 11, Warren Atherton, national commander of the American Legion, predicted yesterday.

Bequest to School

Negro Artillery Praised for

HOUSTON, Tex., July 12—Rice Institute has received an estimated \$2,000,000 under the will of Houston philanthropist William Marsh Rice Jr., who died last week.

out a fire mission was being prepared. The assistant gunnery officer, interpreting a telephoned request for help from the medium howitzers, called out the instructions: "Normal barrage. Shell: HE. Charge: 5. Fuze: quick. Continuous fire on call."

Armed with this data, Computers

S/Sgt. Lawrence E. Innis, of New York; Pvt. Van Q. White, of East Orange, N.J.; Pvt. Otis B. Walker, of Passaic, N.J., and T/5 Charles A. Petersen, of Plainfield, N.J., went to work with their graphical

firing tables (slide rules to non-artillery folk) and quickly made their calculations.

Speak Their Piece

A little later the guns spoke their thunderous language, and the Germans miles away caught its meaning. The end of the mission came when the No. 1 man of the ten-man gun crew pulled the language and the language of the ten-man gun crew pulled the language and the language of the langua

yard and the battery computer at bat-talion called out: "Charlie on the way!" So it all comes down to where 12 Joes in the unit, known as No. I men, pull

down and out on their lanyards, sending

the projectiles screaming through space. Very important Joes, these No. 1 men.

By yanking on their cords, primers set

Out to Junk the Junkers



With Vilna cut off and Russian troops well on the road to Kaunas, the Red Army strikes west toward the German fortresses of Grodno, Bialystok and Brest-Litovsk, moving ever closer to East Prussia,

Berlin Hinting Retreat in East

(Continued from page 1) Slonim, is moving forward on Volkovysk at the rate of 13 miles.

(Volkovysk, a railway junction, almost on the main German defense line which runs between Bialystok and Grodno in this area.)

Strike Toward Prussia

In East Prussia the Germans are desperately preparing to do battle on Germany's own territory. The Russian columns which bypassed Vilna are striking toward Kaunas and the East Prussian border. In Vilna the last bitter battle is going on between the trapped Germans and the victorians Pusias units who are going on between the trapped Germans and the victorious Russian units who are mopping up on a large scale in the narrow streets of the old city.

German tommy-gunners are installed in the belfrys of Vilna's medieval churches, firing down on the Russian troops in the streets.

Prisoners said they were threatened not only with court-martial but with reprisals against their families in Germany unless

against their families in Germany unless they held out to the end.

When the Germans tried to reinforce the garrison with a paratroop unit the Russians destroyed the unit as it flew in and floated down so that contact with the German garrison was never even. the German garrison was never even

"The biggest German defeat of the war "The biggest German defeat of the war is in the making here on the northern plains" is how one report reaching Moscow from the front describes the operations now going on.

Thrusting forward into Lithuania, Gen.

Bagganyan is striking for Kaunas, the

Bagramyan is striking for Kaunas, the last great German hedgehog position before the East Prussian frontier. They are astride the Kaunas-Dvinsk road for nearly 15 miles and are beginning to move around Dvinsk itself. Many hundreds of prisoners have been taken in this area in the last 24 hours.

Loyalist Troops Quell A Revolt in Colombia

BOGOTA, Colombia, July 12-President Alphonso Lopez resumed his duties as head of the Colombian government today after being held captive for two days by a rebellious military faction.

Loyal government troops freed the president from a rebel stronghold and sent his captives fleeing toward the

sent his captives fleeing toward the Ecuadorean frontier.

Usually He's Pfc

look upon their jobs with immense pride. One No. 1 in Bakery battery, Pfc Robert

Lee, from Montgomery, Ala., refused a

chance to become a gunner and go up

"I want to pull that lanyard and watch the shells go off," was his explanation. Other lanyard-pullers in the outfit:

Put, Horace Jacob, Kaplin, La.; Put, T. J. Deramus, Montgomery, Ala.; Pvt, Grady Clay Tatum, Tex.; Pvt. Eddie J. Lynn, Edwards, Miss. Pfc Tom Thomas, Stamford, Conn.; Pfc Williams, Calinon, Columbus, Ga.; Pfc Adam Tinnell Waxabachie, Tex.; Pfc John Trim, Bateford Miss.; Pfc Jim Leatherwood, Tupelo, Miss., and Pfc John Battle, Wadley, Ala.

Lt. Col. Harmon S. Kelsey, the unit's commander, knows artillery, having been an artillery officer since 1918. Of his Negro cannoncers he says proudly: "I'll

put them up against any artillery outfit

No. 1 men seldom go beyond pfc, but

Free Fort Gunner Hidden by French Nearly 2 Months

By Bud Kane

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

ST. SAUVEUR LE VICOMTE, July 12-A fortress tail gunner, S/Sgt. Kenneth N. Hougard, bailed out over France May 12 and was fed, sheltered and clothed by the French until Allied troops reached his area.

Hougard was in a wagon going toward St. Sauveur when M/Sgt. Harold L. Smith of Civil Affairs Intelligence Interrogation stopped a French peasant woman to inquire directions.

Unable to understand Smith, the woman turned to Hougard, whose wagon had drawn abreat and harm to green.

woman turned to Hougard, whose wagon had drawn abreast, and began to expostulate in French. To Smith's amazement the man blurted out, "Hell, don't ask me, I'm not French, I'm an American." Hougard related that on a few occasions he was at the dinner table when German military police came to the house to question the occupants. He was a little shaky, he said, and more than once thought "my number was up."

Military authorities accompanied Houselist Montage of the state of the state

Military authorities accompanied Hou-gard to homes where he had hidden his watch, identification tags and bracelet, one in each place.
"I thought if I left them in several

homes the French could say they found them," Hougard explained. Authorities said Hougard would probably be sent back to England to rejoin his unit after a short rest.

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counter-attacks at Eterville, and held high ground there from which they could cover the German line controlling the Orne River crossings. Further ground was gained by the British northeast of Caen, around Colombelles.

British and Canadian forces knocked out about 80 tanks northwest of Caen, and between the Odon and Orne Rivers. counter-attacks at Eterville, and held high

and between the Odon and Orne Rivers, in the last 72 hours, according to a spokesman for Gen. Dempsey, commander of the British Second Army.

Beaches Quiet

Along the Normandy beaches "it's more peaceful right now than in London and southern England," Col. Walter B. Goodrich, U.S. Army anti-aircraft expert, said at SHAEF. American anti-aircraft units guarding the beachhead have shot down more than 100 planes, mostly at night, in their share of keeping the beachhead safe.

head safe,
Special air service regiments, composed
of Allied soldiers, have been operating
well behind the German lines after dropping by parachute, the Allied command
disclosed yesterday. Although concentrating their activities against enemy communications, they have also taken and are
holding prisoners.

As Gen. Montgomery visited Caen
yesterday, it was estimated that 25,000 out a fire mission was being prepared. The assistant gunnery officer, interpreting a telephoned request for help from the medium howitzers, called out the instructions: "Normal barrage. Shell: HE. Continuous fire on call."

One of the powder charges which force the shells on the long trip to the target. They receive the biggest part of the concussion. To No. 1 man Pfc Arthur Broadnax, of Autaugaville, Ala., went the honor of pulling the lanyard for the first round fired by Negro artillery against the Nazis.

yesterday, it was estimated that 25,000 French civilians, or about half the normal population, were left in the city, and that 1,300 had been wounded by shells and bombs before the city was taken.

Demand Reds Take Stand On Money-Fund Quotas

BREITON WOODS, N.H., July 12 (AP)—The American delegation to the United Nations monetary conference has demanded a final answer from the Soviet representatives on the question of quotas as proposed for the multi-billion dollar currency stabilization fund.

Russia is demanding credit for her war-

devastated areas in the form of a gold contribution smaller than that required



AND MY FATHER AND I WERE DRIVING A STATION WAGON FROM THE VILLAGE WITH SUPPLIES FOR OUR JOURNEY... AS WE NEARED OUR HOUSE WE HEARD SHOTS... FATHER DROVE THE CAR INTO A THICKET. GAVE ME ONE OF HIS POTOLS AND TOLD ME TO WAIT WHILE HE WENT TO THE HOUSE...



