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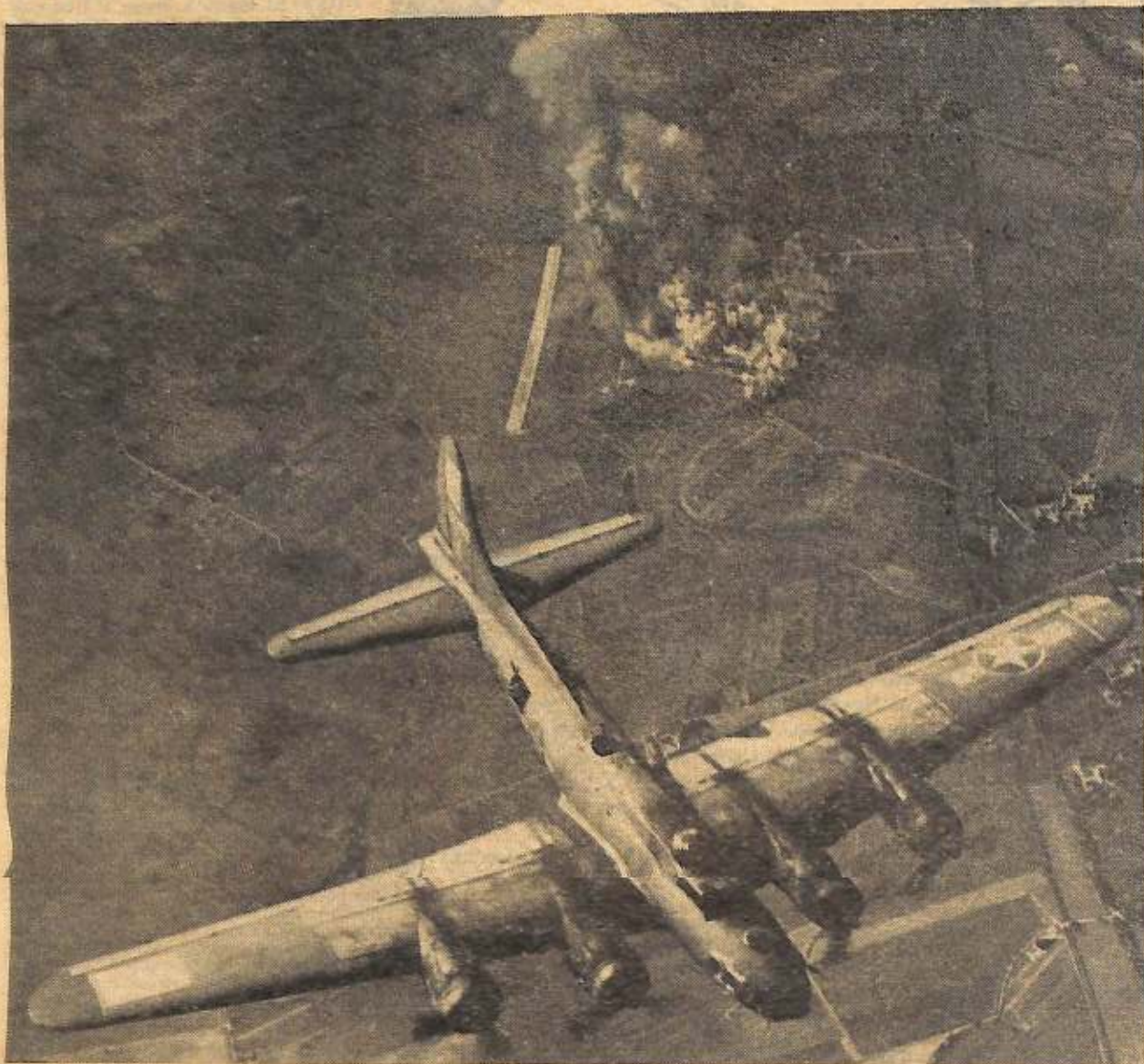
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1373 Treaty Gives Britain Azores Bases

That USED to Be One of Biggest FW Assembly Plants



Beneath the concentrated puffs of smoke rising in the wake of the B17 Virgin's Delight is the plant which is believed to have assembled nearly half of Germany's FW190s. The photograph leaves no doubt of the thoroughness with which the Forts wiped it off the map. The plant is at Marienburg, East Prussia—200 miles beyond Berlin.

Vital Outpost in War On U-Boats Acquired In Deal With Portugal

Churchill Dusts Off Old Pact, Takes Axis By Surprise; British Troops Are Reported Already in Isles

Bantam Portugal, which has ruffled its feathers in Tokyo's nose the last week, threw total neutrality out the window yesterday by granting Britain bases in the Azores which will complete the great circle of island outposts guarding the all-vital Atlantic sea lanes.

Swiss reports last night said that Allied warships already had been patrolling off the Azores a day before the surprise agreement, under a Britain-Portugal treaty of 1373, was announced yesterday in the House of Commons by Prime Minister Churchill, and Lisbon reports received in Madrid last night said that Portugal's Premier Salazar announced that British troops had disembarked in the islands.

Dnieper Battle Reaches Climax; Nazis Repulsed

German Resistance at Its Peak, but Reds Drive Forward Steadily

MOSCOW, Oct. 12 (UP)—The Battle of the Dnieper appeared to have reached a climax today as Russian spearheads drove forward around Kiev and before Gomel in spite of stiffening German resistance, now at its height.

Russian reinforcements poured across the Dnieper at scores of points without interruption, although the Germans threw in more and more tanks against the bridgeheads. Their tank losses were continuing to mount and today had become almost double what they were four days ago, a sharp indication that the peak of the German defensive movement has now been reached.

With the failure of each counter-attack against the bridgeheads the Russians seized the initiative and smashed forward again, backed up by a wealth of men, tanks and guns, rolling up behind them.

The plan of the Russian general staff was to try to overwhelm German resistance on the river itself by hitting strongly at as many points as possible, in the hope that in the end German resistance would be completely disorganized and the way opened for the next great advance towards the west.

One Russian thrust was directed against the Dnieper bend—from the rear. From the Kremenchug bridgehead Russian forces threatened the whole German position inside the bend along the Dnepropetrovsk-Zaporozhe line. If they were to break through the German defenses and sweep south here the Germans in the bend would be faced with headlong retreat—or another Stalingrad. This is why the Germans have tossed large reserves of tanks, planes and men into the battle of the Kremenchug bridgehead.

Farther north, the Russians struck a vital blow at Gomel by capturing Novo Belitza, a suburb three miles east of the German stronghold from which the vital Gomel-Pinsk communication line runs.

This combined military and political bombshell must have caused an explosion of consternation in the mind of an evidently greatly surprised Adolf Hitler, that old and growing older one-time master of the war of nerves.

Talks a Complete Secret

For Churchill's announcement was the first word the world had had of negotiations leading to the agreement. The discussions had been kept a complete secret.

The Prime Minister drew a laugh in Commons when he solemnly began his revelation:

"I have an announcement to make to the House arising out of the treaty signed between this country and Portugal in the year 1373 between King Edward III and King Ferdinand and Queen Eleanor of Portugal."

The immediate effect of Portugal's action was the subject of hot speculation in London. First and foremost important result for the Allies will be to give them one more valuable base from which to combat the U-boat which, while beaten into submission this summer, is expected to return to the fray in full power this winter.

The Azores, a group of nine islands about 800 miles west of Portugal, constitute a vital crossroads of Atlantic shipping. They are about 1,000 miles from Newfoundland to the west and 1,400 miles from Britain to the east. From the isles, which contain a number of fine harbors and an excellent seaplane base, the Allies can complete an aerial umbrella over Atlantic convoys.

U.S. Ships May Be Affected

So far as could be learned last night in London, United States ships will not be based in the Azores, but it was felt that normal refueling restrictions in the islands would be relaxed for the benefit of Allied war and merchant craft. In this connection, it was recalled that in World War I the United States Navy set up a base in the Azores when the submarine problem became acute.

Washington was kept fully informed of negotiations for bases in the islands, which President Roosevelt said in his famous May 27, 1941, broadcast that he would not permit the Axis to occupy. It was said that the President expressed accord with the agreement prior to its announcement. The State Department approved the alliance officially after it was made public. Russia was informed of the agreement, but not of preliminary negotiations.

It was understood that Spain, a big question mark in the current international situation, was informed by her tiny neighbor of the agreement and presumably raised no objection.

Emphasis was placed in British Foreign Office circles on the assertion that Portugal still remained a neutral, although her relations with Japan have been strained of late owing to Japanese occupation of Portuguese Timor in the South Pacific.

The 570-year-old treaty, which has been renewed and broadened ten times, called directly for "mutual assistance."

Announcing that arrangements for the (Continued on page 4)

Fort From Canada Gets Lost, Lands in Spain

SEVILLE, Spain, Oct. 12 (AP)—A U.S. Flying Fortress, one of a group of ten which became separated by storms while flying to Africa, made a forced landing three miles south of Seville Sunday night. The crew said that after flying 18 hours from Canada they lost their way and circled Tablada airport, Seville.

Their gasoline exhausted, the weary

U.S. Could Have Captured Wake

Planes Flew 830 Sorties From Carrier Flotilla; Little Opposition

PEARL HARBOR, Oct. 12—Wake Island could have been "invaded and captured," but apparently the "high command didn't want the island this time," Mark Johnson, United Press war correspondent aboard the flagship aircraft-carrier during the attack, said today.

A concentration of aircraft-carriers, described as the biggest in the history of naval warfare, took part in the mission. Fighters, torpedo-planes and dive-bombers flew more than 830 sorties against the island, the reporter said.

All air opposition was apparently eliminated on the first day. On the second day, the Japs sent air reinforcements but they did not send a single surface vessel to interfere.

Nearly every military target on the island was completely destroyed.

Long Attack to Celebes

ALLIED HQ, Southwest Pacific, Oct. 12—Liberators made a round trip flight of 2,400 miles from Australia to attack the Japanese-held Macassar island, in Dutch Celebes, for the fourth time in the war. Twenty-five tons of bombs were dropped, today's official communique said.

Chennault's Men Active

CHUNGKING, Oct. 13—Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault's 14th Air Force has carried out widespread missions in the past two days against targets in Yunnan, Indo-China and off the China coast. A small tanker was sunk and widespread damage was inflicted on airfields and military installations.

Casualties Total 114,359

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12—The announced casualties of the armed forces from the outbreak of the war to date total 114,359, the Office of War Information announced yesterday. This figure, arrived at by combining War and Navy department reports include 22,892 dead, 32,912 missing, 33,072 wounded and 25,483 prisoners of war.

Mrs. FDR 59 Years Old

HYDE PARK, N.Y., Oct. 12 (AP)—Eleanor Roosevelt, 59, celebrated her 59th birthday today.

Bombless Forts Blast Path for Rest-Berlin

On an obvious "fishing expedition" for information, German radio newscasters said that "super Flying Fortresses," armed as aerial dreadnoughts but carrying no bombs, were leading USAAF raids against the Reich.

Describing the planes as "four-engined fighters," the German broadcasters said they mounted .50 cal. guns at several more places in the plane than standard B17s. The "fighter Forts" were flying ahead of bomb-carrying formations to clear the sky of Luftwaffe fighters, according to the radio.

From USAAF sources in the ETO there was, naturally, no comment.

U.S. to Eat Less Meat; Army, Allies Need More

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (AP)—Americans will eat less meat in 1944, because of a 25 per cent increase in military and lend-lease requirements, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics announced yesterday. Total food production in 1943 will be five per cent higher than in 1942, the bureau said.

Bombs Batter Corfu Airfield

Crete, Rhodes Also Blasted As Battle in Italy Slows To a Virtual Halt

ALLIED HQ, Italy, Oct. 12—With land fighting bogged down in rain and mud across the entire Italian front, Mitchell bombers flew from bases in Italy yesterday to deliver a smashing blow at a Nazi airfield on Corfu, the strategic Greek island dominating the entrance to the Adriatic.

In addition to the Mitchells' attack, escorting Lightnings scored two direct hits on an enemy merchant vessel in Corfu harbor.

New raids also were made by Liberators on airfields at Rhodes and Crete, in which bombs were dropped on buildings and parked aircraft.

Torrential rains virtually brought land activity in the Italian battle to a halt. While the left wing of the Fifth Army continued to bring up strength for an eventual crossing of the Volturno River, some slight gains were made in the central sector by other units of the Fifth, and farther to the east by one Eighth Army column driving northwest from Foggia.

Allied planes continued to sweep behind the enemy lines, attacking communication points.

B17 Gunners Claim 12 Nazi Planes

AN EIGHTH BOMBER STATION, Oct. 12—Gunners of the B17 Ohio Air Force claimed 12 enemy aircraft destroyed for a new ETO record Sunday in a 400-mile running battle to get home from Munster, the day's target in Germany. The claims have been confirmed by Bomber Command.

The total, which included a Dornier 217 bomber, was one higher than the previous mark of 11, and may be a world record for enemy airplanes destroyed by one aircraft.

High scorer of the crew was 2/Lt. Robert H. Winnerman, of Newark, N.J., who was credited with three planes. Winnerman, the bombardier, manned the center and right nose guns, and destroyed the Do217 as well as an FW190 and an Me210.

The Ohio Air Force, piloted by 2/Lt. John Richey, of Steubenville, Ohio, had just completed a 400-mile run from

knocked out of formation. A moment later a plane in front of and above the Ohio Air Force was hit and Richey was forced to swerve out of formation, and before he could rejoin the rest of his squadron Nazi interceptors swooped in and the plane was left to fight its way home alone.

"Just like all B17 pilots, I've always wanted to see what a Fort could do; well, I found out Sunday," said Richey. "That plane did a slow roll, just as if it had been a fighter. And every man on the crew has bruises to prove it. That's about as evasive as evasive action can get."

A slow roll, basic fighter maneuver, is virtually unheard of in a four-engined bomber. It involves rolling a plane completely over around its line of flight.

With the Ohio Air Force separated from its formation, the Luftwaffe threw

from a distance, while faster fighters harried them from close range.

Gunners said that from the time they left Munster probably 200 fighters attacked them, with one relay picking up when another had run out of gas. Not a single man on the Ohio Air Force crew was wounded.

Everyone on the plane was credited with at least one enemy aircraft except the pilot and co-pilot, who fired no guns but spent the entire time in heaving the big Fort around the air in evasive action. Co-pilot was 2/Lt. Thomas A. Helman, of Medford, Ore.

Radio operators seldom get credit for an enemy plane, since their one gun has a limited traverse immediately above the ship, but T/Sgt. Milton V. Lane, of Collingswood, N.J., shot down a Ju88 during a heavy attack.

Two gunners got two planes each:

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The Unsinkable Azores

Use by the Allies of the unsinkable Azores has been granted by the Portuguese government. This gives the United Nations a land mass of 400 square miles located in the Atlantic 800 miles from the nearest point on the European mainland, and a quick glance at the map indicates their immense value.

During World War I the Azore islands were headquarters for the American Atlantic fleet and use of their harbors and airfields during the present struggle will enable us to reduce the submarine menace and dispel for ever the German hope of winning the Battle of the Atlantic.

Prime Minister Churchill's dramatic announcement of the Portuguese concession plainly caught the Germans off guard, and when a secret so important can be kept in a country infested with Nazi spies the implication is too obvious to be missed. Nothing in fact could so emphasize the falling barometer of German prestige, as her armies meet new defeats in Russia and Italy and as her air force is decimated by the USAAF, the RAF and airmen of the Red Army.

Courts Martial Decline

A monthly review of general courts-martial actions in the European Theater of Operations reveals that the number of United States Army personnel tried by such courts for offenses, both military and civil, has been reduced by 29 per cent for September compared with the preceding month of August.

The report made by Brigadier General E. C. McNeil, Assistant Judge Advocate General, also shows without revealing troop strength that an average of 31 persons out of a possible one hundred thousand were involved in general courts-martial cases reviewed in September as against an average of 44 persons out of a possible hundred thousand involved in general courts-martial cases during August.

Of the cases tried by general courts, 62 per cent dealt with purely military offenses, such as disobedience to orders, absence without leave, neglect of duty and similar army offenses, while only 38 per cent dealt with civil offenses.

The report shows that 50 days is the average time between the arrest of a soldier for an offense and the final disposition of his case, including the complete review of the general courts-martial proceedings. In some instances as short a time as thirteen days is all that has been required for final disposition. The co-operation and efficiency of the civilian police in Britain were cited as important factors in this record for speedy and effective administration of justice, and the reduction in the courts-martial cases reflects the growing respect of officers and enlisted men for the efficiency and fairness of military law.

Caucasian Dream

In November, 1941, the German press was full of articles on the Caucasus. It was depicted as a land of promise containing not only the huge and coveted oil fields, but also wheat, cotton, rice, tobacco, manganese, tea, silk and coal.

In August, 1942, the German drive for the Caucasus was on and by the end of October the Germans had reached Nalchik and Alagir. The rich Grozny and Baku oilfields were seriously threatened.

But that was the end of the German advance, and towards the end of December the German press was speaking of retreat, for Russian forces compressed like a huge spring recoiled and drove back the Nazis to the tip of the Kuban. Now the Kuban is in Russian hands with the last strip of the Taman peninsula cleared of the Germans.

Continued German occupation of the Taman peninsula robbed the Russian Navy of ports badly needed. Its occupation also acted as a protection to the Crimea, and with Germans in the Taman there was still a Nazi bridgehead available for yet another bid for the oil and wealth of the Caucasus.

Now the bridgehead is gone and German grand strategy has been foiled, as it was during the Battle of Britain, and the German dream of possessing Caucasia must remain a dream.

Hash Marks

A GI reports that he was walking down the street and heard a bunch of English kids singing "Johnny Got a ZED-ro. Johnny Got a Zed-ro!"

Fun On the Home Front. Max McCarthy, of Ohio, was quite happy to read in his morning newspaper that the



meat shortage was not as serious now as in the past. He went down to his livery stable for work and found four of his horses missing. He's wondering if that had anything to do with the news item.

Our Hollywood spy says the film stars pitched a colossal party for servicemen last week. Judy Canova, Ann Sheridan, some GIs and other stars were walking through the kitchen and someone opened the icebox. Inside crouched a sailor. Everybody gasped, but the curvaceous Sheridan had the answer, "Don't mind him, folks, I'm having another dance with him as soon as he cools off."

There's a hotel clerk in Kansas City who is predicting the city will have a hard winter this year. Three men walked into the hotel one morning and registered in this order: (1) George Freese, Wichita, Kan.; (2) T. R. Snow, Joplin, Mo.; (3) Dr. W. L. Blizzard, Stillwater, Okla.

Nicest racket we've heard of lately. Army tradition at Romulus Field, near Detroit, dictates that every new officer must present a dollar to the first enlisted man who salutes him. Sgt. Ohley Bennet, of Logan, W. Va., has collected 53 bucks by this method. He processes the oaths of office and salutes as soon as the officer completes the oath.

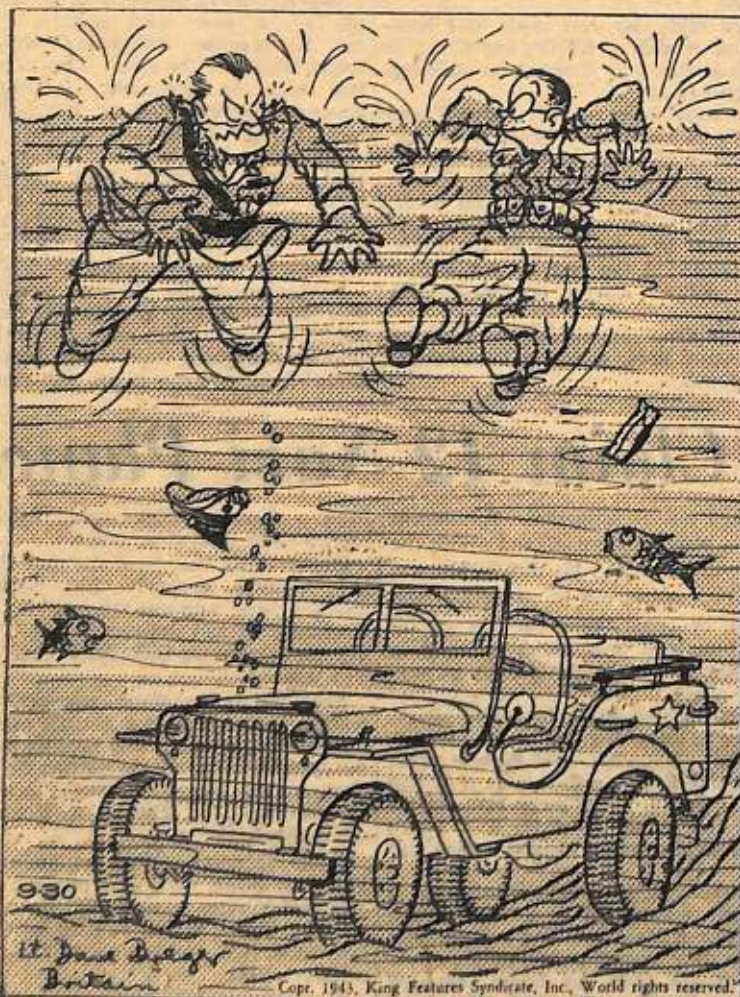
Oddities in the news. The staff of a San Francisco hospital was getting worried. The stork, or whatever it is that's responsible for such things, delivered 19 baby girls in succession. The next week, though, things evened up. The next 22 babes were boys.

Victor Allesandro, director of the Oklahoma Symphony Orchestra, tells this one. Jose Iturbi, noted pianist, scheduled to



play with the orchestra, was worried about getting full cooperation from the men. So Iturbi invited Allesandro for a plane ride, zoomed into a power dive, then asked Allesandro, "Can I depend on your men to the fullest?" When Allesandro, turning pale green, finally said "Yes," Iturbi pulled the plane out of the dive. Commented Iturbi: "An airplane is the ideal place to reach an agreement." J. C. W.

PRIVATE BREGER



"Honest, Sir, they told me it was one of the new AMPHIBIOUS jeeps!"

Azores Give Allies Vital Base For Air and Naval Operations



By Carl Larsen

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

The Allies have gained another strategic victory in the Battle of the Atlantic without firing a shot.

British Prime Minister Winston Churchill announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the Portuguese government had turned over the military facilities of the Azores to the Allies, providing another base in the increasingly successful war against the Nazi submarines.

Lying one-third of the distance from Lisbon to New York, the Azores enjoy the best strategic position of all European outposts in the North Atlantic. They are about equidistant—approximately 1,200 miles—from the Nazi-controlled French coast, the British naval bases in southern England, and the U.S. air and naval base on the Avalon Peninsula of Newfoundland. It is 1,137 miles from the Azores to Gibraltar, while New York is about 2,100 miles northwest.

Allied Aircraft Carrier

In the Allies' efforts to protect American and British shipping bound for English ports and Gen. Eisenhower's armies in Italy, Sicily and North Africa, the Azores will play an important role. Like Iceland, Greenland, Newfoundland, Bermuda and England, the Azores will become a stationary "aircraft carrier" for Allied long-range bombers in their anti-submarine campaign. Because of the island's strategic location, the planes will be able to increase the range of their North Atlantic patrols.

If the Nazis had taken the islands early in the war they would have been a greater menace than they were to the physical security of the United States. They would have been able to harass Allied shipping more effectively and might even have carried out bombing operations against eastern cities of the United States.

In World War I, the U.S. Navy—also with the consent of the Portuguese government—set up a base in the Azores when the German submarine campaign became acute. Headquarters for the navy's Atlantic fleet were established at Ponta Delgada on St. Michael's Island later in the war, and the U.S. Marines built an airfield nearby.

Since the outbreak of this war the Portuguese government has continually reinforced the Azores garrison with infantry

and motorized troops because of Axis threats against the strategic islands. Portugal's Prime Minister Salazar on May 10, 1941, declared that the government would protect the sovereignty of the islands and also would resist any attack on them.

President Roosevelt, in a broadcast as early as May 27, 1941, said that the United States would not permit an Axis occupation of the Azores because such action would imperil the Western Hemisphere.

The technological development of aviation in the last 25 years has tremendously increased the military usefulness of the Azores. When Pan-American Airways began its schedule of transatlantic flights on May 20, 1939, Horta, on Fayal Island in the central group, was used as a regular stop.

Includes 9 Islands

Although Horta's harbor is far from ideal as a seaplane landing base—because of adverse winds and surrounding hills—two years of regular commercial use have shown it to be fully practicable for transoceanic passenger aircraft. Horta, incidentally, also has a powerful naval radio station, and is the foremost junction point of transatlantic cables operated by British and American companies.

Nine islands, divided into three widely separated groups, compose the Azores, which cover an area of 922 square miles housing a population of approximately 230,000. The southeastern group consists of St. Michael's and St. Mary; the central group Fayal, Pico, St. George, Terceira and Graciosa; and the northwestern group Flores and Corvo. The nearest continental land is Cape DaRoca in Portugal, which lies about 800 miles east of St. Michael's.

The Azores are similar in general characteristics, rising from sea level at some points to heights reaching 7,613 feet in Pico. Numerous earthquakes have marred the islands' history. In 1522, the town of Villa Franca, then St. Michael's island capital, was buried during a violent convulsion.

St. Michael's Is Largest

Largest, most heavily populated and most important of the islands is long, narrow and rugged St. Michael's island, which has an area of 297 square miles and a population of about 120,000. Ponta Delgada, with 17,000 inhabitants, is its leading city. It lies on a good, safe harbor protected by an extensive breakwater. Most scenic of the islands is Graciosa.

The islands' inhabitants are mostly of Portuguese origin with a well-marked strain of Moorish and Flemish blood. English, Scottish, Irish and Negro immigrants also are present in considerable numbers, especially on Fayal and St. Michael's island. The predominant religion of the Azores is Roman Catholic.

The Portuguese government regards the Azores as an integral part of the mainland and the islands are administered by the Home Office in Lisbon. However, since 1938, they have been granted considerable autonomous financial and executive power.

Many of the islands' banking houses have been forced to close since the war began because foreign trade, their main economic factor, has fallen off nearly 100 per cent. In peace-time, Germany was the Azores' leading customer, buying the greatest portion of the islands' pineapple crop. Whaling also is an important occupation for the Azores.

The Azores' climate is temperate, but winds from the west and southwest at times make coastal navigation dangerous.

Army Notes In the ETO

CPLS. Frank Oliver, of Heavener, Okla., and William A. Roop, of Winthrop, Mass., have collaborated to develop a complete welding and sheet metal shop on wheels. The GI inventors have camouflaged their shop, built on a handy-bomb-trailer, as a precaution against air raids. When they aren't working, they house their invention in a tent at a bomber base.

The army engineers have done it again! This time it's a portable steel and canvas hangar which can be broken down, shoved into a few transport planes and rushed to any operational area to house two or three Flying Fortresses. One of these hangars has been erected in the ETO by Lt. Harry A. Beste, of Chicago, and his platoon of aviation engineers. In a pinch, the hangar can be used to house troops.

SGT. J. P. Buchanan, MP at an Eighth Bomber base, believes he is the only American soldier without a first name and admits being envious of guys even burdened with the names of Aloysius, Oram, Lorenzo and Framingham.

The boys call Buchanan "Buck" and let it go at that, but he has had a share of trouble trying to convince Army officials the first half of his name is simply J.P. With four brothers normally named, Buck doesn't know why his family picked on him. He thinks he was named—or initiated—after his grandfather, John Perona-Buchanan, a Civil War veteran.

What may well be the earliest specific plan for a Christmas party already made in the ETO have been carried out at a fighter station in England. The men have chipped in £75, which has been sent back to the States for the purchase of toys, candy, etc., to be shipped here for children in nearby villages. Chaplain James N. Ziegler, of Norwalk, Conn., thought up the scheme for the Four Freedoms Club, composed of officers and EMs. T/Sgt. Elmer O. Shull, of Warsaw, Ind., heads the committee in charge.

MESS Sgt. George N. Chakrian, of Toledo, Ohio, and his staff have what they believe to be one of the best recipes in the Army—"GI Crackers Fruit Cake." Boss in the kitchen of a USAAF Service Command unit in Northern Ireland, Chakrian uses the following ingredients for the cake: Four 10-pound cans of fruit, five pounds sugar, 20 pounds GI crackers, five pounds flour, two pounds shortening, two pounds raisins, 20 cans milk and six to eight ounces baking powder. Another favorite on Chakrian's menu is spaghetti, made with chili or mixed canned beef hash, thereby saving hamburger for a main course.

Notes from the Air Force

WHEN Owen G. Smith, of Norman, Okla., was a small boy he used to wonder how it felt to be a circus acrobat hanging from a high trapeze. Now he knows—only more so.

A minute after the Fortress in which he serves dropped its load during the Frankfurt raid, Sgt. Robert Rose, 22, of Cleveland, saw a bomb dangling from the bomb bay. He told Smith.

The 27-year-old flier donned his parachute and suspended himself from the bomb bay catwalk 23,000 feet up. His oxygen ran out and he suffered frost bite of one hand, but he kept at it until the bomb fell clear.

Capt. William S. Buhler, of New Orleans, and 1/Lt. Posie M. Clinton, of Graham, Tex., of the Eighth Air Force Service Command, claim the distinction of making the most unusual take-off in the ETO. Reclaiming a Flying Fortress which had been crash landed "somewhere in England" after returning from a raid over Germany, Buhler and Clinton made an uphill take-off on a 1,000-foot rock-filled, unpaved runway. The Fort had been stripped of all its armor and guns by Service Command trouble shooters under M/Sgt. Nicholas E. Popp, of Detroit. It was the fourth Fortress reclaimed and the flown out of fields after crash landings in the ETO.

NOT all the thrills in this war are coming out of actual combat. F/O Malcolm D. Hughes, of Drummond, Mont., has learned that Old Man Weather can provide hair-raising moments, too. Hughes, assigned to an aerial reconnaissance station, ran into a terrific storm at 35,000 feet recently which blew the tail off his P38.

"The altimeter shot up to 40,000 feet," he said later, "and then plunged down. I looked around and was amazed to see that the tail assembly was gone. Then the plane went out of control. My first thought was to bail out, but by that time I couldn't move. Centrifugal force pinned me to the cockpit and the air speed registered 450 miles an hour. My nose was bleeding."

Hughes finally succeeded in rolling down his cockpit cover, and using the rear mirror for a brace pulled himself out. He parachuted into a beet field, but didn't know whether it was in England or France until two British girls rushed up to greet him.

1/Lt. Leonard F. Dawson, of Lawrence, Kan., armament officer at a Fortress base, answered the phone the other day and heard an excited English voice blurt out: "I syc, we've found a bomb in a field—it ain't one of ours, but looks like an American bomb." Dawson leaped to the scene and found a rural Bobby standing guard beside a roped-off area, in the middle of which lay a small green tin can—an empty G.I. foot powder can.

Bill Kingsland Wins Close Decision from Pickett

Eleven Records Set, Seven Tied In World Series

Joe Gordon Accepted 43 Chances at Second Without an Error

Special Cable to The Stars and Stripes
ST. LOUIS, Oct. 12 (AP)—Eleven World Series records were broken and seven tied by the Yankees and the Cardinals in this year's diamond classic.

The Yankees have taken more world championships than any other team—ten. They also have competed in more than any other squad, having played in 14.

Bill Dickey has been on more winning teams than any other major leaguer, having played on eight. Spud Chandler gave up the most hits, ten, and still had a shutout.

Joe Gordon accepted 43 chances at second without an error, also a five-game Series mark, as well as making the most putouts, 20, for a second baseman, and the most assists, 23.

New Attendance Mark

The Cards rapped out the most hits for one club in a single game without an extra base blow, ten in yesterday's affair.

The total attendance also smashed all records for a Series of that length, 277,312 spectators paying to see the five games, while the third game crowd of 69,990 at the Yankee Stadium set a new single game mark. The fans also paid out the largest players' share for a five-game run, \$448,005.74.

Walker Cooper tied the mark for hitting safely in every game, while Ray Sanders' five assists tied the mark for first basemen. Gordon's eight assists in the first game equalled the mark for a single Series contest, while Stan Musial evened the mark for assists for an outfielder, making two. Walker Cooper committed as many errors as any other backstopper in a five-game Series, two.

His brother, Mort, equalled the first inning strikeout record by fanning all three batters as well as the record for a single inning. Ernie Bonham shared the latter honor, having whipped three batsmen in the first of the fifth game.

Series Sidelights

President Sam Breadon of the Cardinals must refund \$100,000 in reservations for the sixth game. . . . Dickey said his homer yesterday was a high, inside fast ball. Throughout the Series the Redbirds got Dickey with the same pitch. Dickey said, "I hadn't been getting my bat on that type of ball. I hit a few of them, but they were handle hits. I guess I caught this one just right." . . . The Cooper brothers congratulated the Yankees and expressed thanks for the flowers sent by the Yanks to their father's funeral. . . . The Yankees' individual shares amounted to \$6,405. The Cards get \$4,337 each. Commissioner's share was \$1,105,784. The War Relief Association nets \$131,999.

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Lost

WELSH COLLIE, golden-and-white 13-month-old bitch named Peggy. Slipped its collar at New Street Station, Birmingham, Sept. 27, while being shipped for service with the RAF.—Sgt. P. W. D. Mantor, care of Help Wanted.

PICTURES in writing folder picked up by someone in lounge of Rainbow Corner.—Will finder please return at least the pictures to Pfc Felix Blackwell, care of Help Wanted?

ADDRESS book, on Underground between Russell Sq. and Liverpool St. stations. Has inscription "Las Vegas Nevada" on front cover.—Please return to S/Sgt. James R. Hollyfield, care of Help Wanted.

Series at a Glance

First Game		R	H	E
St. Louis	.010 010 000—2	7	2	2
New York	.000 202 00x—4	8	2	2
Second Game		R	H	E
St. Louis	.001 300 000—4	7	2	2
New York	.000 100 002—3	6	0	0
Third Game		R	H	E
St. Louis	.000 200 000—2	6	4	4
New York	.000 001 05x—6	8	0	0
Fourth Game		R	H	E
New York	.000 100 010—2	6	2	2
St. Louis	.000 000 100—1	7	1	1
Fifth Game		R	H	E
New York	.000 002 000—2	7	1	1
St. Louis	.000 000 000—0	10	1	1

Club Director Ex-Track Star

Bonhag's Style Likened To That of Sweden's Gunder Haegg

By Don Hewitt

Stars and Stripes Merchant Marine Editor
GLASGOW, Oct. 12—The last time George V. Bonhag was in Britain it was as a member of the 1908 American Olympic team competing in London. Now he is here playing host to American merchant seamen as director of the United Seamen's Service Club in Gourock, Scotland.

During the period between 1907 and 1912, Bonhag held all American track records for distances between two miles and ten miles. Emil Von Elling, NYU track coach, has likened his style to that of Gunder Haegg, the Swedish cinder sensation.

A physical training instructor in the last war, he is just as well known among American seamen arriving at Scottish ports as he was among track fans when he competed in the 1906, 1908 and 1912 Olympics in Athens, London and Stockholm respectively.

Bonhag is probably the only man to ever win an Olympic championship while competing in an event for the first time. After arriving in Athens for the 1912 Games, he casually asked Donald Linden, Canadian walking champion, to "show me how it's done."

After taking fourth in the mile, Bonhag persuaded his coach to let him compete in the 1,500-meter walk. Baffled sports writers scratched their heads in perplexity when tall, lean Bonhag, king of America's middle-distance runners, stepped up to the starting line in the walk. They were even more perplexed when Bonhag led Linden to the tape by 15 yards. Some years later he met Linden in a return match in Canada, when he again won the event.

Fifth Game

New York—2		A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Crosetti, ss	..	4	0	1	0	5	1	0	0
Metheny, rf	..	5	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Lindell, rf	..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Johnson, 3b	..	4	0	1	1	2	0	0	0
Keller, lf	..	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Dickey, c	..	4	1	1	7	0	0	0	0
Etten, 1b	..	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Gordon, 2b	..	2	0	0	6	6	0	0	0
Stainback, cf	..	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Chandler, p	..	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Totals	..	31	2	7	27	17	1	0	0

St. Louis—1		A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Klein, 2b	..	5	0	1	3	1	0	0	0
Garms, lf	..	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Musial, rf	..	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
W. Cooper, c	..	2	0	1	6	0	1	0	0
O'Dea, c	..	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0
Kurovski, 3b	..	4	0	2	3	2	0	0	0
Sanders, 1b	..	2	1	7	0	0	0	0	0
Hopp, cf	..	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Marion, ss	..	3	0	1	2	3	0	0	0
M. Cooper, p	..	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Lanier, p	..	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Dickson, p	..	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
(a) Walker	..	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(b) Litwhiler	..	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	..	34	0	10	27	11	1	0	0

(a) Batted for M. Cooper in seventh.
(b) Batted for Dickson in ninth.

Score by innings:
New York . . . 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0—2
St. Louis . . . 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0

Summary:
Earned runs—New York, 2. Home run—Dickey. Sacrifices—Garms, Marion, Chandler, Stainback. Double plays—Crosetti to Gordon to Etten; Klein to Marion to Sanders. Left on bases—New York, 9; St. Louis, 11. Bases on balls—off Chandler, 2; M. Cooper, 2; Lanier, 2; Dickson, 1. Struck out—by Chandler, 7; M. Cooper, 6; Lanier, 1. Hits—off M. Cooper, 5 in 7 innings; Lanier, 2 in 1½ innings. Wild pitch—M. Cooper. Losing pitcher—M. Cooper. Umpires—Rommel (AL), plate; Reardon (NL), first base; Rue (AL), second base; Stewart (NL), third base. Time—Two hours, 24 minutes. Attendance—33,372.

Talented Tiger

By Pap



World Series Composite Box Score

St. Louis—1		G	AB	R	H	2BH	3BH	HR	TB	RBI	SO	BB	SB	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.
Klein, 2b	5	22	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	1	0	.136	10	13	2	.920
Walker, cf	5	18	0	3	1	0	0	0	4	0	2	0	0	.167	10	0	2	.833
(a) Garms, lf	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1.000
Musial, rf	5	18	2	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	2	2	0	.278	7	2	0	1.000
W. Cooper, c	5	17	1	5	0	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	.294	29	2	2	.939
Kurovski, 3b	5	18	2	4	1	0	0	0	5	1	3	0	0	.222	8	8	2	.900
Sanders, 1b	5	17	3	5	0	0	0	1	8	2	4	3	0	.294	40	5	0	1.000
Litwhiler, lf	5	15	0	4	1	0	0	0	5	2	4	2	0	.267	11	0	0	1.000
Hopp, cf	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1.000
Marion, ss	5	14	1	5	2	0	0	1	10	2	1	3	1	.357	8	14	1	.957
Lanier, p	3	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	.250	0	3	1	.750
Brecheen, p	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	1.000
M. Cooper, p	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	.000	0	3	0	1.000
Brazle, p	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1.000
Krist, p	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Dickson, p	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1.000
(b) O'Dea, c	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	.667	2	0	0	1.000
(c) Demaree, 1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
(f) White	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
(g) Narron	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Totals	5	165	9	37	5	0	2	39	8	25	11	1	224	.224	129	52	10	.947

New York—4		G	AB	R	H	2BH	3BH	HR	TB	RBI	SO	BB	SB	Pct.	PO	A	E	Pct.
Stainback, rf	5	17	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	.176	7	1	0	1.000
Crosetti, ss	5	18	4	5	0	0	0	0	5	1	3	2	1	.278	9	16	3	.893
Metheny, rf	2	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	.125	3	0	0	.000
Johnson, 3b	5	20	3	6	1	1	0	0	9	3	3	0	0	.300	2	9	1	.917
Keller, lf	5	18	3	4	0	1	0	0	6	2	5	2	1	.222	10	1	0	1.000
Gordon, 2b	5	17	2	4	1	0	1	0	8	2	3	3	0	.335	20	23	0	1.000
Dickey, c	5	18	1	5	0	0	0	1	8	4	2	2	0	.278	28	3	0	1.000
Etten, 1b	5	19	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	2	1	0	.105	46	2	1	.980
Lindell, cf, rf	4	9	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	1	0	.111	8	0	0	1.000
Chandler, p	2	6	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	.167	0	4	0	1.000
Bonham, p	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Murphy, p	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	1.000
Borowy, p	1	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	.500	2	0	0	1.000
Russo, p	1	3	1	2	2	0	0	0	4	0	1	1	0	.667	0	2	0	1.000
(e) Weatherly	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
(d) Stirnweiss	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Totals	5	159	17	35	5	2	2	50	14	30	12	2	220	.135	62	5	5	.975

- (a) Batted for Lanier in eighth inning, first game; played left field in fifth game.
- (b) Batted for Kurovski in ninth inning, third game; caught in fifth game.
- (c) Batted for Bonham in eighth inning, second game.
- (d) Batted for Borowy in eighth inning, third game.
- (e) Batted for Lanier in seventh inning, fourth game.
- (f) Ran for Demaree in seventh inning, fourth game.
- (g) Batted for Brecheen in ninth inning, fourth game.

Score by innings:
St. Louis . . . 011 510 100—9
New York . . . 000 403 262—17

Summary:
Earned runs—New York, 12; St. Louis, 7. Sacrifices—Crosetti, Chandler, Stainback, Kurovski, M. Cooper, W. Cooper, Garms, Marion. Left on bases—New York, 30; St. Louis, 37. Bases on balls—off Chandler, 3; Bonham, 3; Murphy, 1; Borowy, 3; Russo, 1; Brecheen, 3; Cooper, 2; Brazle, 2; Lanier, 3; Dickson, 1. Struck out—by Chandler, 10; Bonham, 9; Borowy, 4; Murphy, 1; Russo, 2; Lanier, 13; Brecheen, 3; Cooper, 10; Brazle, 4. Wild pitch—Lanier, M. Cooper. Hits—off Chandler, 17 in 18 innings; Bonham, 6 in 8 innings; Murphy, 1 in 2 innings; Borowy, 6 in 8 innings; Russo, 7 in 9 innings; Lanier, 13 in 15½ innings; Brecheen, 5 in 3½ innings; Cooper, 11 in 16 innings; Brazle, 5 in 7½ innings; Dickson, 0 in 2½ innings. Double plays—Gordon to Crosetti to Etten; Crosetti to Gordon to Etten, 2; Klein to Marion to Sanders, 2; Marion to Klein to Sanders, 2. Winning pitchers—Chandler, 2; Borowy, Russo, Cooper. Losing pitchers—Bonham, Lanier, Brazle, Brecheen, Cooper. Umpires—Rommel (AL), Reardon (NL), Rue (AL), Stewart (NL). Total attendance, 277,312.

Only One Kayo Among 6 Bouts On Corner Card

Menchack Goes Full Route With Cleeland in Welter Battle

ETO light heavyweight champion Pvt. Bill Kingsland branched off into the heavyweight bracket last night in the second fight card of the new season at the Rainbow Corner—and did alright for himself.

The Redondo Beach, Cal., scrapper took on Pvt. Ben Pickett, Negro from San Francisco, and came out on top with a close decision in the feature event of the six-bout card.

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Awards to 239 Are Presented By Air Force

97 Combat Crewmen Get DFCs; 50-Mission Major Honored

Eighth Air Force headquarters has announced the award of 239 decorations for valor and achievement to officers and enlisted men, including five Oak Leaf Clusters to the Distinguished Service Cross.

For gallantry and extraordinary achievement in aerial flight the DFC was presented to 97 combat crewmen. The Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual combat with the enemy went to nine men.

Other awards included 67 Air Medals, five Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal, 55 Purple Hearts and one oak leaf cluster to the Purple Heart.

Maj. Eugene P. Roberts, of Spokane, Wash., was awarded the DFC for making 50 combat missions over enemy-occupied Europe. Maj. Roberts, holder of the Air Medal and three oak leaf clusters, skillfully and zealously sought out and engaged the enemy in combat, according to his citation.

Capt. Carroll A. Taylor, of Long Beach, Cal., received the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement while participating in five night bombing missions with the Royal Canadian Air Force over Germany."

The Air Medal also was awarded to T/Sgt. Irven G. Slate, of White Plains, Ky., for five bombardment missions as a cameraman.

A partial list of awards follows. The rest will be published tomorrow.

Oak Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart

2/Lt. Edwin G. Lammie, Fresno, Cal.

Purple Hearts

Alabama
S/Sgt. Howard L. Almy, Fayette.

Arkansas
T/Sgt. Joseph L. Carey, Marvell, and S/Sgt. William C. Martin, Texarkana.

California
Capt. Harold B. Wesley, Van Nuys; 1/Lt. Robert E. Wirt, Oakland; 2/Lts. William J. Tackmer, Tall, and Meran A. Barsam Jr., Glendale; S/Sgt. Raymond P. Gregory, Los Angeles; and Lorine C. Miller, Stockton; Sgt. William S. Harrison, Los Angeles.

Florida
S/Sgt. Ward R. Bathrick, Winter Haven.

Georgia
2/Lt. William C. Bisson, Athens; S/Sgt. John W. Rogers, Clayton, and Judson L. Dacus, Atlanta.

Idaho
T/Sgt. Arthur R. Beach, Grand View.

Illinois
1/Lt. Nathan J. Rosenblum, 2/Lt. Lawrence E. McCarty, and S/Sgt. Edward A. Cassidy, Chicago.

New York
1/Lt. John A. McKeate Jr., Brooklyn; 2/Lt. Rudolph Blazick, Endicott; T/Sgt. John J. Hagan, New York City, and Robert Faegan, Buffalo; S/Sgt. Francis E. Stevens, Buffalo, and Sgt. George W. Buske, Rochester.

Michigan
2/Lt. George W. Crockett Jr., Crosse Point, and S/Sgt. Niles D. Londenlaeger, Sumner.

Minnesota
1/Lt. Louis M. Benene, St. Paul.

Mississippi
S/Sgt. Lloyd S. Traylor Jr., Iuka.

Montana
S/Sgt. Charles M. Bacon, Alberton.

Nebraska
S/Sgt. John Sedivy Jr., Verdigris.

Ohio
1/Lt. Edmund S. Goulder, Cleveland; 2/Lt. Edward L. Cobb, Cincinnati; T/Sgt. Elmer C. Barlow, Dayton; S/Sgt. Michael J. Vodikko, Youngstown, and Peter D. Sesanto, Rocky River.

Oklahoma
2/Lts. Donald L. Nichols, Perkins, and Robert E. Broach, Tulsa.

Pennsylvania
2/Lts. David T. Emery Jr., Allison Park, and Richard A. Sauer, Lancaster; T/Sgt. Frank G. Kraizack, Rea, and James W. Sherrick, Oil City; S/Sgt. Joseph M. Hager, Freeport; Alfred H. Willard Jr., Philadelphia; Edward A. Murphy, Erie; James G. Wilson, Pittsburgh.

Texas
1/Lt. Louis L. Halton, Nacogdoches; 2/Lt. Ralph K. Pringle, Dallas; F/O T. L. Carter, Denton; T/Sgt. James T. Carroll, St. Lawrence; and Roger W. Tatum, Houston; S/Sgt. Dante C. Barron, San Antonio.

Utah
T/Sgt. Glen R. Hansen, Logan.

West Virginia
S/Sgt. Francis H. Stender, Padon City.

Wisconsin
T/Sgt. Lyle G. Sauer, Emerald.

Hawaii
2/Lt. Wilbert Y. K. Yee, Waiuku Mau.

Oak Leaf Cluster to DFC

Maj. William R. Calhoun Jr., Birmingham, Ala., and John M. Reagan, San Francisco; Capt. Russell E. Scheich, San Francisco, and Gordon L. Williams, Redkey; 1/Lt. Carroll D. Briscoe, Texarkana, Tex.

Distinguished Flying Crosses

Alabama
T/Sgt. Frank E. Cross, Red Devil; S/Sgt. Harvey W. Welch, Birmingham, and Garrice Clark, Dora.

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- 1100—GI Jive.
- 1115—Hi Neighbor.
- 1130—Pop Concert.
- 1200—Band Wagon.
- 1230—The Gay Nineties Revue.
- 1300—News (BBC).
- 1310—Barracks Bag.
- 1400—Spotlight on Ted Fio Ritta.
- 1745—Spotlight on Ted Fio Ritta.
- 1800—News (BBC).
- 1810—Personal Album—Allan Jones.
- 1825—GI Supper Club.
- 1900—Sports—Stars and Stripes Radio Reporter.
- 1905—Symphony Hall.
- 2000—News from Home—Stars and Stripes Roundup.
- 2010—Fred Waring Show.
- 2025—Miniature.
- 2030—Kay Kyser and his College of Musical Knowledge.
- 2100—News (BBC).
- 2115—Melody Roundup.
- 2130—Bob Hope.
- 2200—Freddy Martin and his Orchestra.
- 2220—Final Edition—Stars and Stripes News.

Fortress Carries Back Nazi 'Secret Weapon'

The Fortress Speedball, piloted by Lt. Elmer Hardy, of Healdsburg, Cal., came back from the raid on the airplane parts factory in Anklam with the first specimen of the projectiles being fired from Germany's newest "secret weapon."

The flak-like chunk of metal apparently failed to fragmentate when it struck the plane, and was found wrapped around the end of one wing. It weighed ten pounds and measured four inches thick and 14 inches long.

Guns from which the "rockets" are fired are attached under the wings and resemble two additional engines. Crewmen say the weapon is more secret than effective.

More Transfers To the USAAF

Sgt.-Navigator One of 47 Fliers Reassigned by RAF and RCAF

S/Sgt. William Steele, 30-year-old former Sing Sing prison guard from Mt. Kisco, N.Y., who is believed to be the first non-commissioned navigator to be assigned an Eighth Air Force operational group, was one of 47 fliers recently transferred from the RCAF and RAF to the USAAF, U.S. Army Recruiting Office headquarters disclosed yesterday.

Steele's transfer ended a three-year campaign to join the U.S. Air Force. In 1940 he was rejected for aviation cadet and navigator training and joined the Canadian Army. Ten months later he requested a transfer to the RCAF and was trained as a navigator.

After repeated applications for a transfer to the USAAF in this theater he was finally accepted and assigned to a B17 bomb group commanded by Col. F. W. Castle. Steele is waiting promotion to flight officer.

Sgt. Herman Harris, 21-year-old fighter pilot from New Orleans and one of 44 RCAF transferees in the group, has been saving a bottle of Mississippi River water for over a year and a half, and when he gets his P47 Thunderbolt he intends to use it to christen the ship Miss New Orleans.

Flying with the RCAF in the ETO, Harris completed several missions as escort for convoys in the North Sea and in May destroyed his first enemy plane, a FW190.

Sgt. Frank W. Hall, 34-year-old aerial gunner from Omaha, another RCAF transferee, had several narrow escapes on RAF bombers. In the North African invasion his ship crashed on a takeoff at Gibraltar. He was so badly injured his crew mates gave him up for dead and appropriated his cigarettes and wine. He recovered, however, after being hospitalized on Gibraltar, in North Africa and England. Hall was flown from Africa to Britain on a hospital plane that was attacked by several Ju88s.

Pinned Gunner Dangles in Air, A Clay Pigeon for FW Guns

By Bob Stine

Stars and Stripes Unit Correspondent

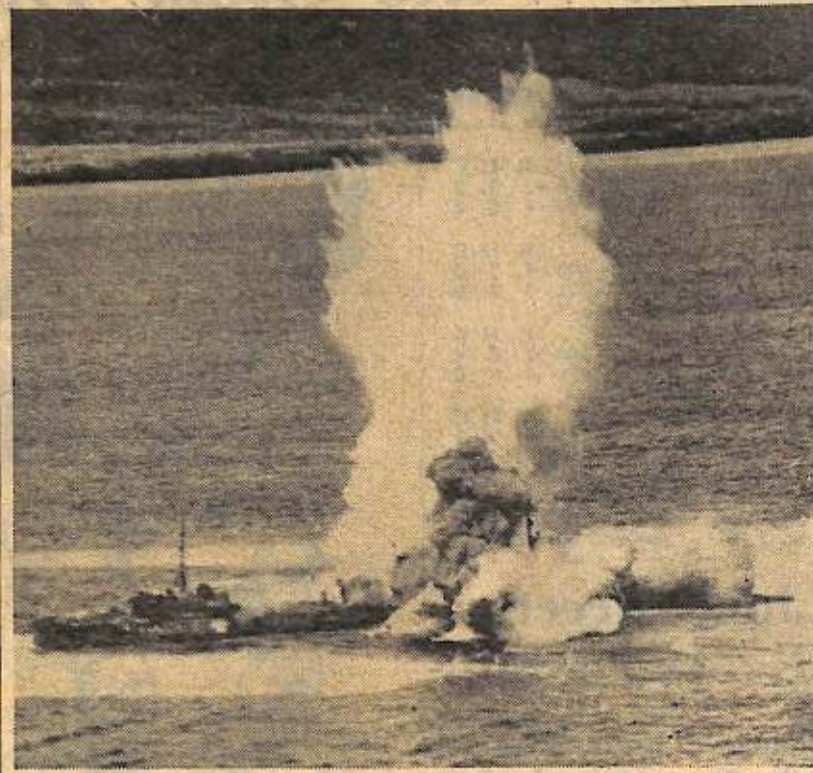
A MEDIUM BOMBER STATION, Oct. 12—Dangling halfway in and half-way out of the smoking Marauder for which he was tail gunner, S/Sgt. Laverne F. Stein recalled today how he helplessly hung on and hoped for the best while German fighters threw lead in his direction on a recent raid.

While over France, the Marauder Wuneech was hit badly and set afire. Thinking it advisable to jump, the Buffalo gunner attempted to bail out, but his chute opened prematurely and, caught by the wind, was pulled through the escape window, jerking Stein against the metal interior of the plane and pinning him there.

The terrific wind quickly ripped shoes and flying boots from his feet, dangling out of the window as he lay stunned and bleeding.

T/Sgt. Ed Kovalchik, of Cementon, Pa., radio gunner, noticed Stein's plight and crawled to the escape window. While

Just One of 14 Direct Hits



Near the coast of Cape Gloucester, New Britain, a Japanese destroyer shudders under one of 14 direct hits scored by B25 bombers of the 13th Air Force flying from New Guinea. This warship completely stopped after this, and went to the bottom the next morning.

WACs Promised They'll Get Date Messages at New Club

Mrs. Anthony J. Drexel Biddle, director of the American Service Club for Women, 48 Charles Street, London, last promised ETO WACs visiting the club that messages from their dates would be promptly delivered to them.

Speaking at the formal opening of the club, Mrs. Biddle said that she had learned from the experiences of the London Women Officers' club that "the most important mission" it could perform was that of delivering messages from prospective dates at the earliest possible moment. Both clubs are operated by the American Red Cross.

Churchill Lauds U.S. Air Force

Prime Minister Winston Churchill yesterday praised Eighth Air Force combat and ground crews for their part in the spectacular air successes of the last week.

In a letter to Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, ETOUSA commander, Churchill requested that the thanks of the British War Cabinet be conveyed to Lt. Gen. Ira C. Eaker, Eighth Air Force chief, and the men of his command.

"Your bombers and fighters which support them in these fierce engagements have inflicted serious losses on the German Air Force, and by forcing the enemy to weaken other fronts have contributed notably to the successes of Allied armies everywhere," Churchill said.

Churchill sent similar congratulations to Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur T. Harris and Bomber Command of the RAF.

Two Colonels Are Promoted

Col. Francis H. Lanahan Jr., of Washington, and Paul E. Burrows, of West Palm Beach, Fla., have been promoted to the temporary rank of brigadier general, ETO headquarters announced yesterday.

Gen. Lanahan, formerly in charge of the War Department's Signal Corps planning division, has been serving on the staff of Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, ETO commander, for the last two months. He enlisted in 1916 as an infantry private and as a staff sergeant was appointed to West Point, from which he was graduated in 1920. Since 1926, he has been assigned to the Signal Corps. His wife, son and daughter live at Washington.

Gen. Burrows, commander of the European Wing, Army Transport Command, won his wings and commission July 3, 1918. He has served in the Philippines, organized the Caribbean Wing, ATC, and was U.S. liaison officer with the RAF Ferry Command in Canada. He has a wife, two sons and a daughter.

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and an Me110, and S/Sgt. Thomas L. Hair Jr., left waist gunner from Anderson, S.C., got credit for a pair of Me110s.

Other gunners, with e/a credited to them, were: S/Sgt. Maurice B. Simpson, of Cameron, Mo., right waist gunner, an Me110; S/Sgt. Charles E. Schaefer, of Ashford, Wash., ball turret gunner, an Me110; T/Sgt. Mike J. Siwek, of Hamtramck, Mich., top turret gunner, an Me210, and 2/Lt. Frank H. McKibbin, of Los Angeles, navigator, who got an FW190 with the left nose gun.

NEWS FROM HOME

Congress to Get Overseas Ballot Bill This Week

Jan. 1 Deadline to Set Up Franchise Machinery For Servicemen

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12—Congressmen sponsoring legislation to provide voting privileges for the armed forces overseas are expected to start pushing their bills this week in an effort to have one passed by Jan. 1—the date regarded as the deadline if the necessary machinery is to be set up in time for operation in next year's elections.

One of the principal voting measures is sponsored by Sen. Scott W. Lucas (D-Ill.) and Sen. Theodore F. Green (D-R.I.). They are preparing amendments, Lucas said, intended to "put teeth in the bill so the soldiers will really vote."

Weather Censorship Relaxed

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12—Censorship Director Byron Price yesterday relaxed restrictions covering the publication and broadcast of weather news. Newspapers no longer are requested to restrict official weather forecasts, reports of weather conditions and temperature charts to any designated area and radio stations no longer are requested to omit official weather forecasts or other weather data except wind direction and barometric pressure.

\$1,000,000 For Book Collection

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 12—A literary collection owned by Sgt. Klaus Mann, son of Thomas Mann, German author, was sold at auction here for \$1,000,000 in War Bonds.

Christian's Doctor Released

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 12 (AP)—At King Christian's special request the Germans have released his personal physician, Prof. Erik Warburg, who was arrested when the round-up of Danish Jews began, the Free Danish Press service said today.

Taft Denounces World Bank

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (AP)—Sen. Robert Taft (R-Ohio) said today he would carry the fight against the administration's proposal for a world bank to the Senate floor. He denounced the plan as "part of the general New Deal program to create new methods of deficit spending."

Kimmel Would Welcome Trial

NEW YORK, Oct. 12 (AP)—Rear Adm. Husband Kimmel, commander of the fleet at Pearl Harbor Dec. 7, 1941, said he was entitled to a court martial and would "welcome one any time," but believed that if such a court martial were held now it would be at the expense of the war effort.

Elect Kaiser Brewster Head

NEW YORK, Oct. 12—Henry A. Kaiser, Pacific coast shipbuilder, has been elected president of the Brewster Aeronautical Corp., to succeed Frederick Riebel Jr., who will return to the Navy on a special assignment.

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bases "enter into force immediately." Churchill said that in return Britain would give "assistance in furnishing essential material for the Portuguese armed forces and for maintenance of Portugal's national economy."

The latter provision of the pact obviously was intended to aid Portugal in remedying the wartime food and supply situation which recently caused public demonstrations in Lisbon for more food. Implementation of British promises evidently already has begun, for a large convoy of coal ships recently unloaded at the Portuguese capital.

The hope was raised in London last night that Eire, which consistently has refused Britain bases, and other neutrals, particularly Turkey, might follow Portugal's lead. Turkey, it was pointed out, is allied with Britain by much the same sort of mutual-assistance treaty as is Portugal.

Diplomatic quarters wistfully eyed the Dardanelles, gateway to the Black Sea, mindful of the fact that the gate is firmly locked and the key in Turkey's pocket.

Terry and the Pirates



By Milton Caniff