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# Reds Shatter Nazi Central-Front Line

### U.S. Planes **Blast French** Coast Again

RAF and Allied Craft Join Streams of American Heavies, Mediums

Large formations of USAAF, RAF and Allied bombers-including heavy, medium and light bombers and fighter bombers-smashed at military objectives in northern France yesterday.

The official announcement late last night did not specify the targets, but throughout the afternoon huge formations of all types of planes were seen shuttling between England and the coast of France—variously described as the "invasion coast" and the site of the so-called rocket-gun installations so widely publicized by Nazi propagandisis in pocent weeks. in recent weeks.

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Both Fortresses and Liberators were among the heavy bombers participating. The B17s and B24s were excorted and supported by P47s, P38s and P51s, the official communique said.

RAF, Dominion and Allied fighters escorted the rest of the units, which included American Marauders and Dominion and Allied medium, light and lighter-bombers.

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"This was my group's 100th mission, and it was 100 per cent perfect in more ways than one," said Lt. Col. William S. Raper, of Wheeling, W. Va., who led one combat wing on yesta 'tay's operation.

"All ships took off," bombed the target and all returned safely. The navigation was excellent and the bombing could not have been improved," he said.

Lt. Col. Raper also flew on the group's first mission over enemy territory on Oct. 9, 1942, when it took part in a daylight raid on Lille, France.

One navigator, 2 / Lt. Sid Colthorpe, of Toledo, Ohio, who completed his operational tour on this mission, said: "It was a dandy finish. We saw no enemy lighters and little or no flak, and we took our time, making three bomb runs to be sure that we had it right. Practically every bomb in our formation hit within the target area."

One puzzling dispatch came yesterday from Stockholm. Quoting dispatches from Malmoe, in south Sweden, it said that Allied planes flew over parts of Germany, including Stettin, at great height soon after noon. No bombing was reported.

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Meanwhile, more information became available on the scope and success of the gigantic operations carried out by the USAAF over northwest Germany and the fighter factories in central Germany on

New photographs of the pattern that American bombs left across major elements of Germany's aircraft industry in Tuesday's battle over the central Reich showed even heavier damage to Nazi warplane factories than first

announced, it was revealed last night. After a second check on combat reports had put at 152 the number of enemy planes shot down in the vast, scrambled dogfight which reached virtually to the suburbs of Berlin, USAAF intelli-gence chiefs yesterday issued a detailed assessment of bomb hits on airplane factories in five big Nazi industrial centers, as well as on other targets.

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The report on the bombing, as well as the combat scores, was not final; crewmen of the 700 and more bombers and some 500 fighter pilots still were filling out the picture of what probaby was the most bitter air battle in history.

Present claims stand at 125 enemy aircraft destroyed by the bombers, 27 by the fighters. A final figure of 60 on U.S.

highters. A final figure of 60 on U.S. bombers lost has been issued by USAAF (Continued on page 4)

### Nazi Prisoner Suicides In U.S. Camps Probed

CONCORDIA, Kan., Jan. 14-A report that German soldiers in an internment camp here had forced the suicide of a Czech captain in the German Army after he had been convicted by a kangaroo court of voicing anti-Nazi sentiments was uncovered yesterday by an Army investigation into three suicides at the camp in the last five weeks.

Precipitating the inquiry was the death Tuesday of a 39-year-old Austrian private, who was found with his wrists, elbows and ankles slashed. In a letter to his wife found on his body he said: "I am afraid that the Nazis are going to kill me, Long live Austria."

Hit by Nazi Shell—But Gets 2 Planes



Radio operator of the B17, Sick Call, S/Sgt. Jerome J. Bajenski, of Akron, Ohio, displays a German 20mm, incendiary shell which knocked him breathless as it glanced oil his flak vest in Tuesday's air battles over the Reich. Bajenski recovered, manned his guns, and then shot down two German planes.

# FDR Pledge to Release Many

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14-The prospect of seeing sons return home from the European and Mediterranean theaters sometime this year or next in the event that Germany is beaten had a large part of the nation's population buzzing today following President Roosevelt's statement in his budget message yesterday that large-scale demobilization would be possible as soon

French Troops Gain in Italy

### Win 2 Miles in Mountains As Yanks Beat Off

Counter-Attack

ALLIED HQ, Jan. 14 (AP)—French before they end on other fronts, large-scale demobilization adjustments will be possible and necessary while we are still lighting a major war."

Virtually everywhere the prospect of soldiers and sailors returning to homes ome points against fierce opposition, while U.S. troops beat off a German. troops of the Fifth Army, striking through the rugged Apennine mountain sector, today advanced as far as two miles at some points against fierce opposition, while U.S. troops beat off a German counter-attack at Cervaro and then pushed forward.

The Americans, who reported a heavy

German counter-attack about midnight on Jan. 12-13, consolidated their gams and threatened Nazi control of the northern slopes of Mount Trocchio, south of the road to Cassino, the next objective in the

march on Rome. Extremely fierce resistance in the final German defensive belt around Cassino aced the advancing Americans.

In the air heavy and medium bombers of the 12th Air Force teamed up and shattered German fighter planes operating in strength in the Rome area, and pounded airfields and parked aircraft at Guidonia and Centocelle, near Rome.

Headquarters also announced that more than 8,000 Gorman prisoners had been taken since the original landing in Italy

Attacking over a wide portion of the rugged central Italian terrain, Gen. Henri Juin's French forces captured the eastern slopes of Mount San Pietro ridge and south of the Colliatina road completed the seizure of the Val de Monna Casale range.

### A Mother of Three at 20 Gives Birth to Four More

Quadruplets have been born to a French mother living near Chambery, in Savoy, United Press, quoting Berlin radio, said yesterday. All of the babies were girls. The mother, 20 years old, now has seven children. The father is 22.

# When Nazis Lose Elates U.S.

as Germany was beaten.

Preparation for demobilization must begin "long before hostilities end," the President asserted.

"While we are still expanding war production," he said, "we have already terminated more than \$12,000,000,000 worth of war contracts; while we are still increasing the size of the armed forces we have already discharged 1,000,000 men and women.

A Popular Idea

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greeted with open satisfaction, particularly in the farm areas and industry where manpower shortage has been felt most

In Congress, the President's recom-(Continued on page 4)

## Seizure of 2 Towns **Opensthe Gatewayto** Pinsk, Brest-Litovsk

### Doctor Tells Roosevelt, 'Ease Up, Take It Easy'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (AP)-White House officials said that President Roosevelt's physician, Rear Adm. Ross McIntyre, had asked him to "ease up and take things easy" for a while.

President Roosevelt consequently cancelled not only today's press conference, but his regular Friday cabinet meeting and kept all engagements in his quarters at the White House.

### **FederalControl** Of Soldier Vote Killedby Group

### House Committee OKs A Bill Leaving Ballot Regulation to States

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14—Rejecting proposals to provide a uniform federal ballot for servicemen and women, the House Elections Committee by a vote of seven to five today passed a modified form of the Senate-approved measure which restricts federal activity to distributing and collecting state ballots.

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Tossing the soldier-vote problem to the individual states, the House committee refused to recommend a bill providing for an absentee servicemen's ballot under

for an absentee servicemen's ballot under federal control and auspices.

The committee's action, which followed President Roosevelt's warning that most of the men in the armed forces would be deprived of their right to vote unless federal machinery to handle the ballot were set up, on the surface appeared to have killed all chances of enacting a national measure. national measure.

national measure.

However, Rep. Eugene Worley (D.-Tex.), chairman of the Elections Committee, declared he would carry the fight to the floor of the House.

"This action," Rep. Worley said, "means that most of the \$11,000,000\$ in the armed forces will not get the vote in the next election. It will destroy their morale more effectively than all the enemy bullets, bombs and propaganda have been able bombs and propaganda have been able

to change their laws in time to make the absentee ballot possible. Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson has asserted that the Army would be unable to administer effectively 48 different laws governing soldiers' votes.

### Russians Slowed In Advance on Rumania

Smashing open the gateway to Pinsk and Brest-Litovsk—a route the Red Army calls "the short cut to Berlin"—strong forces of Russian tanks and artillery yesterday stormed their way into the Nazi bastions of Mozyr and Kalinkovichi, north of the Pripet marshes, and baited another possible gigantic trap for the

Fall of the two towns—Mozyr, a peace-time community of 11,000 on the banks of the Pripet River, and Kalinkovichi, a rail junction nine miles to the north— cleared the way for a Russian push west-ward along the railroad and highway to Pinsk, already threatened by the First Ukraijan Army deliving northeast from Ukrainian Army driving northeast from

Loss of the two places left the Germans no alternative but retreat before the thrust from Sarny cut them off.

The Russians' newest victory, hailed in Moscow last night by a special order of the day and 20 salvoes from 224 gans, came amid bloody fighting east of Vinnitsa to the south, and fresh Red Army advances beyond Sarny, in Poland, and former of the product of the second sarny, in Poland, and former of the product of the second sarny, in Poland, and former of the product of the second sarny, in Poland, and former of the product of the second sarny, in Poland, and former of the second sarny in Poland sarny i

advances beyond Sarny, in Poland, and former of the least of Berdichev.

The Germans launched one counterattack after another to hold Vinnitsa, the vital Odessa-Lwow rail artery behind it, and beyond—Rumania. They lost thousands of men to Russian artillery fire, and the Red Army held its ground.

West of Sarny, 35 miles inside the 1939 Polish border, the enemy threw reserves into the line without succeeding in stemming the Red advance toward Kovel, 80 miles beyond, where the rail line from

80 miles beyond, where the rail line from Brest-Litovsk to Rovno intersects that from Warsaw to Kiev. Mozyr fell to the White Russian army

Mozyr feli to the winter Rokossovsky. The Germans had built a miniature Siegfried line along the nine miles between that town and Kalinkovichi. Rokossovsky waited until a sudden drop in temperature had frozen the top surface of the ground,

#### Tanks Pour Through Gap

Then he brought up guns and armored units, and with hammer blows from artillery and planes blasted a gap for the tanks to pour through.

Moscow dispatches said last night the pursuing Russians had forced hundreds of units to flee into the river and marsh area—some of the worst fighting country in the world, where ground is almost impassable except along a few priceless roads.

Swedish dispatches, wholly unconfirmed, said last night that Pinsk, 125 miles east of Mozyr, was occupied by Russian guerrillas Monday and Tuesday.

Moscow heard little about the fighting on other fronts. West and northwest of Kirovograd, in the Dnieper Bend, the Red Army was dangerously close to cap-turing the Smyela-Novo Ukrainka rail-way which leads south to Odessa, with a spur running west to the Odessa-Lwow line.

### Building Up for Bigger Blows, Spaatz Assures U.S. by Radio

Pointing out that the Germans could count on a "steadily increasing tempo of daylight bombing" against their industrial centers, Lt. Gen. Carl Spaatz told radio listeners in America this week that U.S. air forces in Britain were receiving a constantly increasing number of air planned fighter-plane production that a constantly increasing number of air-craft and crews, and that "we have ac-quired a tremendous backlog of experi-

Speaking from London, with Air Marshal Sir Rickard Peck, of the RAF, in a two-way broadcast to New York to war editors of the American press services, the American Strategic Air Forces chief explained that responsible factors concerned in future plans for air blows on Germany included the perfected equipment to meet the drawback of bad weather, improved armament on bombers, increased bomb load, and the greatly augmented range of American escort fighters.

In the broadcast, which was conducted as an interview, with questions being asked from New York, Air Marshal Peck said that airpower's role in the coming

In the course of his talk, Gen. Spaatz said that American air forces already had knocked out 40 per cent of Germany's planned fighter-plane production, that "we are ahead of the Germans in aircraft leaves and production," and gave as his we are ahead of the Germans in aircraft design and production," and gave as his proof that American pilots and planes were "generally better" than those of Germany; the combat record: Four-to-one in favor of U.S. forces.

Gen. Spaatz said, too, that the bombing offensive from Britain had immeasurably "aided the Russian offensive", the

"aided the Russian offensive . . . the continual bombing from the west has crippled so many German war industries that badly needed weapons have not only been delayed but sometimes have never

hed the retreating Nazis. Other facts brought out by the American and British air leaders were:
About 20 of the 90 major industrial cities in Germany have been crippled.
There are still a lot of good German

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### Knox Tells Scouts U.S. Youths Need Military Training

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Jan. 14 (AP)— To make certain that "our individual liberties will be preserved," Secretary of Navy Frank Knox advocated today one year of compulsory military training "for every boy when he attains the age of 17 or 18."

'There is no safety in unpreparedness," Knox said in an address to the Cleveland Boy Scout Council's annual banquet. "The unspeakable folly of the theory that we are more likely to resort to war or

we are more likely to resort to war or become involved in war because we are reasonably prepared against the danger of war has been made so plain that few will be found to deny it."

Referring to the 25 per cent rejections by the U.S. Marine Corps for physical reasons, Knox said "we must in future spend more time, thought and money in improving the physical qualities of our people."

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#### The Spirit of Success

Judging by the magnificent performance in crasing league by league the gains made by Germans in the years 1941 and 1942, the Red Army this winter seems stronger than ever before.

The momentum of the winter campaign, which promptly followed the summer increases rather than diminishes as the days go by until every soldier wonders how the Red Army can continue to smash forward. Troops who are now engaging the Germans have been fighting in many cases for weeks-fighting battles which rank among the fiercest ever recorded. And yet their eagerness to keep on is reflected by continued victory.

Commenting on this fact a Red Army corps commander serving under Gen. Vatutin told a Soviet war correspondent: "I am basing my calculations on the wonderful spirit of my men. I may have some doubt about the success of the operation I am planning, but when I see and talk to my soldiers all doubts vanish. These men will carry out my

Today the Russians are fighting on the left bank of the River Bug in the area of Vinnitsa. They are approaching that city from the southeast and northwest and seem likely to reach the key Lwow-Odessa railway, within 30 miles to the south. If they cut this line they will rob the enemy in the Dnieper Bend of their chief supply route and make any retreat of their Sixth Army towards the Rumanian frontier both inevitable and extraordinarily difficult,

To avoid this threat, the Germans are ow counter-attacking in great strength; but these attacks made during the past two days have failed, for men who refuse to be beaten cannot be defeated.

The spirit of the Russian soldier is winning the war on the eastern front.

### A Lot of Money

Presenting his 1945 budget to Congress, President Roosevelt asked for one hundred billion more dollars and based his estimate on the assumption that the war would continue to the end of the next fiscal year, some eighteen months

In asking for this huge additional appropriation, the President made several points well worth the serious consideration of every man in the U.S. Armed

Said the President: "If the war should continue on all fronts through the fiscal year 1945, or longer, we shall be prepared." In other words, the administration hopes for victory this year, but cannot proceed on the assumption that it is just around the corner. Every factor must be taken into consideration and allowed for, then a safety margin added for good measure. These allowances are all included in the new budget, and they cost money-lots of it.

But, said the President, "military victory is not enough. We shall not have completed the defense of our way of life until we also solve the second taskthe reconstruction of an economy in which every one willing to work can find for himself a place in productive employ-

Certainly every serviceman is interested in this second victory. No longer is the outcome of this war of survival doubtful. Victory is sure. But to many of us the problems of peace are not viewed with similar confidence.

It is encouraging therefore to learn from the President that "Both servicemen and war workers will need active help in finding their way back into gainful and productive peace-time employment. Our reconversion policy should have as a major aim the stimulation of private investment and employment."

One hundred billion dollars is a lot of money; but if it will insure final victory and assist in placing every exserviceman in productive employment after the war, it will be money well spent. We favor the new budget,

### Hash Marks

We see by the papers that a Kansas City butcher is suing a girl for breach of promise. Can you imagine anybody jilt-ing a butcher in these days?

\* The meter of this little jingle is slightly rough—but so was the ocean when the

guy wrote it: Oh, the sea was rough and angry, The ship shook like a pup.

Dinner time was over, And a bunch of the boys were whooping

This Week's "Shaggy Dog" Story. A GI stepped into a pub and asked for a whiskey. He looked at it carefully, then



threw it away and started eating the glass He had three like that then tipped his cap and left. The barmaid came around the counter and picked up the stem of a glass. "Tsk, tsk," she muttered, "he's gone and left the best piece."

\* Our nomination for the "most patient soldier in the ETO" is Pvt. Nathan F. Fay, supply clerk of a Thunderbolt group. A chess fiend, he is teaching his English girl friend to play the intricate game by mail. Each of his letters carries a painstakingly executed drawing of a chess board, with pictures of the chessmen in new moves. "This may seem a little drawn out," explains Fay, "but my purpose is double-barrelled. You see, I figure that as the censor reads the letters he will also learn how to play chess he will also learn how to play chess-then I can challenge him to a game soon."

Have you heard about the latest riot on the Home Front? A new musical production was showing in a certain town



for the first time. The billboards read, "50 Beautiful Girls-45 Gorgeous Costumes." Three sailors and two cops were trampled in the rush at the opening performance.

Whether you realize it or not, following English habits of driving on the left of the road and doing other things backwards from what you've been used to slowly begins to influence your whole way of thinking. For instance, we cite the sergeant of an M.R. and R. squadron who had to mail a letter with English postage on it—he unwittingly pasted the stamp in the left-hand corner of the

J. C. W.

# The USAAF Displays Its Wares

### It's a Show Within A Show, too, at Selfridge's

By Andrew A. Rooney

Four Eighth Air Force gunners who have won the DFC are working on the toy floor of London's largest department store this month. The men are veterans of at least 25 heavy bomber missions and are "standing around a lot of plane equipment waiting for a lot of Englishmen to ask a lot of questions."

The deal is the Eighth Air Force exhibit on the third floor of Selfridge's which opened Jan. 2 for a three-week showing. Somewhere in the neighborhood of 7,000 people have been coming in daily to see it. At least half of them have had questions.

"You see those two little kids over there in short pants hanging on to their mother's hand? Well, those are the guys you gotta watch out for. Some of them know more about airplanes than a good crew chief," said one of the gunners.

The Americans are agreed that English children between the ages of four and 14 know more about aircraft identification than the last instructor they had. But for every child who has come in there have been two elders, and the boys find that the average civilian's concep-tion of what goes on in a bomber is something out of Buck Rogers.

"This," she said in the confident voice of the wife of a Home Guard lance-corporal, "is the gun they use. Those are the bullets they shoot"—pointing to the bullets—"and all those little holes on the

Seeing Greenlaw standing there, she turned, smiled, and asked, "That is right, isn't it, sergeant?"

Greenlaw stifled a laugh by biting his lip hard enough to draw blood and a Purple Heart. "Not exactly, madam, no," he said politely, and went on to explain to the all-out sewing circle that "the bullets only come out one of the little holes at the end of the long part—the barrel." The other holes, he told them, were there so that air could get to the hot barrel.

A few days after the exhibit opened T/Sgt. Bob Bryson, of Steckport, Ia., was standing in the middle of the floor near the combat-clothing equipment section. A small boy walked in with his mother, and after the mother had looked around the room for a minute, she came over to Bryson asking if he would see

"You bet," Bryson said, "come over

The boy's mother hesitated a minute and then said, "I'm sorry, but could you just explain it? My son is blind."

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Last week Frank Greenlaw, a staff ser-geant from Warner, N.H., saw a heated discussion going on among five or six elderly women. Greenlaw wandered over, thinking he might help, but as he came in range of the conversation he noticed that one of the women had the group under control. She was explaining the object in front of them, which she had rightly stated was a machine-gun. Matter of fact, it was a .50 caliber.

#### Spray-Gun, Eh?

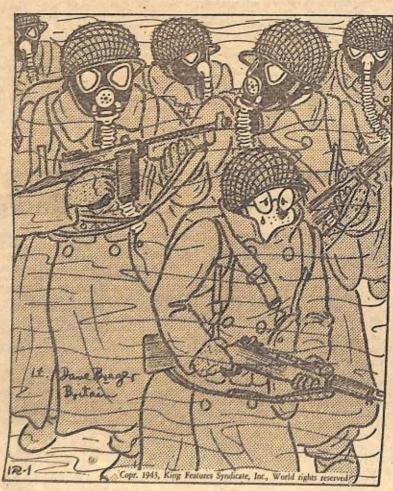
long part of the gun are where the bullets come out. That is how the Americans shoot down so many German planes."

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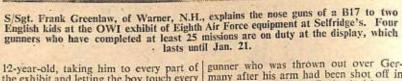
here and I can show it to you better.

Bryson spent half an hour with the

### PRIVATE BREGER



"Said he won't need his mask. He's got a bad cold and can't smell a thing!"



The English lad revealed an amazing knowledge of all types of planes, despite his blindness. He told Bryson that he had a complete set of RAF model aircraft and that he had learned to identify them by touching any one part. He is missing several American scale weekles he missing several American scale models, he said, adding the wish that he might get a Fortress model similar to ones they had at the exhibit. They have promised to find a B17 model somewhere so that the little blind boy can learn just how the touch of a Fortress feels.

The gunners are having regular trouble The gunners are having regular trouble with several groups of people. First in the line of nuisances are English boys and girls who "want American airmen's autographs." It was fun for the first few days, but the novelty has worn off. One English autograph hunter who claimed a regular correspondence with Ronald Reagan and Olivia de Havilland among his achievements as a collector got the gunners' autographs, and a few days later one of them got a letter from the boy with an enclosed autographed photo of Ann Sheridan.

#### Enter the B24 Guys

Others with whom the exhibitors have "trouble" are B24 crewmen who drop in to see the show. All four men on duty at the exhibit are B17 men, and the major part of the display is B17 equipment. The boys admit that there possibly should have been more Lib stuff, but when the "pregnant cow" people come in they play the part of loyal and true Fortress men and tell the Lib boys that they are lucky to have anything in the exhibit.

After a few minutes of argument in which each group claims that the other's plane "just goes along with us as a decoy," they smile, conclude that they are both glad they fly, regardless of ship, and

Among the 7,000 daily visitors there are always several hundred American fliers in London on leave. Somehow they find time to take an hour to look at an exhibit of equipment that they are on pass to get away from. One thing which surprises the men on duty is the num-ber of men from ground echelons at airfields who come to the exhibit and inspect the equipment with all the interest of the English children-and asking as many questions.

Although many have lived for more than a year at an airfield, few know more about a flier's equipment than the a .50 caliber machine-gun in his two hands and mow down several thousand Jap planes in Warner Bros.' film, "Air

The Office of War Information set up the exhibit, which probably has done more to make the English conscious of the Eighth Air Force than a week of news stories, but plans for the display hit a few snags and parts that could be spared were scanty.

### B17 Nose Too Big

"I could stolen more stuff off the station than they got here," one gunner who visited the display remarked as he walked out, but persons who never have seen any of the equipment are awed with the setup. Original plans included a scheme by which the nose of a B17 was to be still down the middle to form as to be split down the middle to form an aisle for visitors. There were no doors or elevators big enough in the store, and the plans were dropped.

One of the display's most distinguished visitors in the eyes of the gunners—who have seen enough brass to be immune to excitement over any more-was Tyre C Weaver's pretty friend. Weaver was the

12-year-old, taking him to every part of the exhibit and letting the boy touch every piece of equipment which to the average visitor was forbidden with "Please Do Not Handle" signs.

The English lad revealed an amazing knowledge of all traces of please of all traces of please and the state of the state in at the exhibit to introduce herself and tell the boys that she had heard from Weaver, who had been picked up by German doctors and after recovery in their hands had been sent to a prison camp. She said he seemed to be getting along well and she hoped that he might be sent back in an exchange of disabled prisoners.

"It's a good deal on dates here,"
Bryson says, "Girls ask you questions about the anaes and pretty soon you begin asking them questions. It doesn't take

### Gals Chute Silk

The women who come in usually are most interested in the open parachute in the middle of the room. The 'chute is open and great folds of white silk spread over the floor, and the boys have often stood here watching women mentally dreaming of the silken touch on this by dreaming of the silken touch on thighs too long a stranger to that peace-time

delight.

On opening day the exhibit was so crowded that the boys couldn't control the mobs and, despite the "hands off" signs, women were pinching lovingly the silk folds, young kids were racing under guard ropes charging .50 caliber guns in the center of the floor, pulling the furlined gloves off the dressed dummies and generally trying to walk out with any souvenir they could carry, from a .50 caliber shell to the machine-gun itself.

All four men at the exhibit have the

All four men at the exhibit have the DFC and Air Medal with three clusters. They are questioned constantly about their decorations, and that usually leads to an explanation when the visitors get to the picture of Lt. Gen. Carl A. Spaatz.

The picture of Spaatz shows him with his ribbons and wings on the right side, whereas the gunners are on the left. The explanation is not that the general is a rugged individualist but that the negative was reversed in printing and the decarrewas reversed in printing and the decorations came out on the wrong side.

One of the men, T/Sgt. Rondale Cowan, of Fritz, Tex., has an Oak Leaf Cluster to his DFC. Cowan has explained a hundred times what it means and his friends have added to the explanation. Cowan won the DFC originally when he took control of the ship and switched on the automatic flight control switched on the automatic flight control equipment after his pilot had been killed and his co-pilot dazed.

Fourth man on duty at the exhibit is S/Sgt. David O. Brown, of Chicago.



### Address Unknown

A guy I knew was wont to say: "If on a bomb's your name, No matter what you do, my boys, Twill get you just the same.

When e'er the bombers flew o'er head And to our holes we went, This wise guy scoffed and never moved; Just stayed inside his tent.

One night we scurried to our holes, I'm a still alive to tell, The wise guy stayed within his tent, And he was blown to hell.

His name was not upon this shell, I afterwards did learn. For it was marked like all the rest: "To whom it may concern!"

Sgt. John Readey.



NEW YORK, Jan. 14—Vice President Harry Grabiner of the Chicago White Sox is a marked man as far as the Chicago Bears are concerned. Before the Bear-Cardinal game Grabiner obligingly locked all the valuables and money of the Bears up in the White Sox safe. Then he absent-mindedly departed for New York for the baseball meeting and the Bears couldn't get to their watches, rings or dough till Harry got back.

Ensign Harold "Red" Zimmer, the former Indiana football star, was killed while on duty with the Atlantic fleet. Zimmer's death was reported as the result of accidental gunshot wounds. He won the Big Ten medal for scholarship and athletics while at Indiana. Charlie Justice, the 18-year-old who starred in Bainbridge Naval's backfield, won't have much trouble lining up a college education after the war. Over a dozen schools have made tentative offers with William and Mary on the inside track. . . The Icelanders are sure that the Americans are scrappers now. The bantam champ on the island is Pvt. Eddie Yankee.

The first big boost for Western conference football over the Eastern style came in 1901. Yale was supposed to be the best in the country. It beat Columbia, 10—5. Buffalo then beat Columbia, 5—0. Michigan played Buffalo the following week and annihilated it, 128—0. Gloomy Gil Dobie, who made most of his big time reputation after he went to Cornell, coached undefeated football teams from 1905 to 1916 before going to the Cayuga school. . . Roy "Link" Lyman never played in or saw a big time football game before going to Nebraska, but when he wound up his football career in 1934 with the Chicago Bears he had played in 286 college and pro games and been All-American as well as on the National League All-Star.

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The Army Air Forces at Selfridge

The Army Air Forces at Selfridge Field saved the Detroit Tigers a candidate for one of their outfield posts when they flew a rescue mission to bring Ken Humphrey to Detroit to the hospital. The 18-year-old rookie signed last year by the Tigers shot himself in the leg on a deer hunting trip near an Army Air base. Humphrey's father, who was hunting with him, got him to the base and Selfridge Field men flew up and returned him to needed hospital attention. . . . Bob Weise was voted the most valuable player on this year's team and elected captain for the 1944 season by members of the Michigan varsity. Weise received the 'most valuable' vote over such stellar performers as Bill Daley and Elroy Hirsch.

### Cullop Gets New Contract From Columbus Redbirds

Collumbus, Ohio, Jan. 14—Nick Cullop, recently named as the outstanding minor league manager for 1943, has signed a new contract to manage the Columbus Redbirds for the next season with a "handsome increase."

Cullop led the Birds to the American Association playoff victory and Little World Series victory over the Syracuse Chiefs, International League playoff

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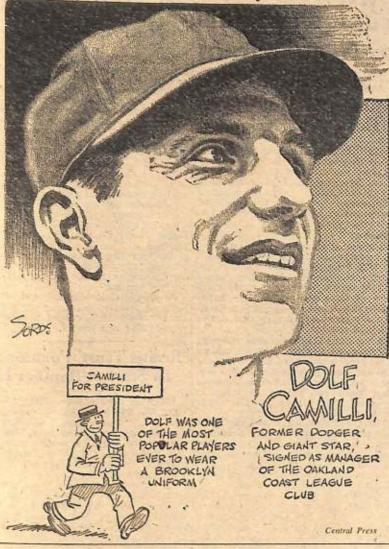
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Rotary Dinner

ROTARIANS and sons of Rotarians in the U.S. Armed forces in the ETO are invited to attend a dinner given by the London International Rotary Club, Inn. 25, 6,15 PM, at No. 3 Grosvenor Square, London, Mail reservations to The Stars and Stripes, Rotary Dinner, Help Wanted, Printing House Square, London, ECA.

OVERCOAT, in Washington Club, Jan. 14. Size 38 R. Contained brown leather gloves and money belt.—Sgt. Tony Yurkovich, c/o Help Wanted.

#### Oaks' Boss By Jack Sords



### Pro Grid Loop of 11 Teams Planned; West Coast Bids Out

CHICAGO, Jan. 14-The National Football League concluded its winter sessions here yesterday, tabling franchise applications from Los Angeles and San Francisco for the duration but indicating that serious consideration would be given the application from a group of Buffalo business men for

Unless Buffalo is accepted, the circuit will operate as an 11-team loop with three more elevens than operated last year. The other three teams will be the newly enfranchised Boston Yankees, the Pittsburgh Steelers (operating independently) and the Cleveland Rams who suspended last year.

Commissioner Elmer Layden emphasized the commissioner emphasized the commissioner emphasized the commission

commissioner Einer Layden empha-sized that serious consideration was given the West Coast bids, but current plans call for strict compliance with war-time transportation requirements. Layden said the westerners will be given another chance after the war.

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Although the owners generally agreed that sufficient manpower will be available for all teams, the possibility of mergers persists if the draft takes many players. If Buffalo is admitted, the League will be evenly divided with Buffalo probably classed as a Western club. The Western Division then would consist of the Division then would consist of the Chicago Bears and Cardinals, Green Bay Packers, Detroit Lions, Cleveland Rams and Buffalo while the other half would consist of the Washington Redskins, New York Giants, Brooklyn Dodgers, Philadelphia Eagles, Pittsburgh Steelers and Boston.

#### Autocrat, Derby Hopeful, Sold to Texan for \$12,000

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 14—A. A. Baroni, of Dallas, Texas, has paid \$12,000 to T. D. Grimes for the three-year-old horse Autocrat.

Autocrat, a chestnut gelding, scored the most impressive 1943 victory in defeating California's top juveniles in the Salinas Handicap at Bay Meadows and is now pointing for the Kentucky Derby.

### Mulleavy, Ex-Bison Boss, To Manage Lockport Nine

BUFFALO, N.Y., Jan. 14-Greg Mulleavy, displaced as manager of the Buffalo International League club by Bucky Harris, has been named by the Chicago Cubs to manage their Lockport, N.Y., farm team in the Pony League.

Mulleavy managed Jamestown, N.Y. in the Pony League before going to Buffalo last year. Mulleavy probably will be a playing manager second baseman.

### Ruffin, Larkin Betting Even

NEW YORK, Jan. 14—Betting is even on tonight's ten-rounder between Bobby Ruffin and Tippy Larkin despite Larkin's impressive showings against lightweight champions Beau Jack and Sammy Angott.

Ruffin won a decision from Jack and lost a close one to Angott.

Larkin's superior punching and experience rate him even with Ruffin, who has a nine-fight winning streak piled up against lesser opposition. Tippy enters the Army after tonight's tussle.

DETROIT, Jan. 14-Fritzie Zivic and Jake LaMotta have finished training for their ten-rounder here tonight, a fight which may be Zivic's last for the duration as he takes his final induction exam

Monday.

Zivic fought his 200th fight in 13 years last week, scoring a knockout victory over Ossie Harris, Pittsburgh Negro, in the tenth round. The scrap tonight will be the fourth between Zivic and LaMotta with the latter leading, 2—1.

### On Post-War Baseball

CHICAGO, Jan. 14—Baseball Com-missioner Kenesaw M. Landis has called a series of baseball meetings to discuss post-war diamond planning to be held in New York Feb. 5 with delegations from both the major and minor circuits

The principal subjects before the committees, according to Landis, will be pro-cedure for the return to organized baseball of players now in the services and the reorganization of the minor leagues to make more compact circuits.

#### Hockey League Standings

### National Service Proposal Should Not Affect Sports

### Bertelli Hopes to Play For Irish After War

NEW YORK, Jan. 14-Angelo Bertelli, Notre Dame's All-American quarterback, revealed Wednesday, when he received the Heisman Trophy as the outstanding 1943 football player, that he intends to return to Notre Dame after the war for one year and then play professional football.

Bertelli, on furlough from the Marines at Parris Island, led Notre Dame to six straight victories before entering the service. He reports to Quantico, Va., soon for training.

### Red Wings Tie Canadiens, 2-2

#### Eight Penalties Dished Out In Rough Contest At Montreal

MONTREAL, Jan. 14—The Detroit Red Wings, showing traces of the form that brought them the National Hockey League championship last year, held the loop-leading Montreal Canadiens to a 2—2 deadlock here last night in a bitterly fought contest marked by a third-period fight between Bulch Bouchard, of Mont-

real, and Cully Simon, of Detroit.

Bill "Flash" Hollett, recently acquired from Boston, scored the last-period goal which gave the Wings the tie.

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Elmer Lach pushed the Canadiens ahead in the opening frame, while Maurice Richard notched the second tally in the following period. The other Detroit score was racked up by Billy Reay in the first. Reay regularly plays in the Canadien Senior Amateur loop, but played last night for Detroit under a swapping agreement between the leagues.

The fight started when Simon hit Bouchard in the neck with his stick. Bouchard claimed it was intentional and belted Simon. The referees quickly parted the warriors and gave them two-minute

the warriors and gave them two-minute penalties. The game was rough through-out and there were eight penalties.

### Hawks Subdue Rangers, 5-2

NEW YORK, Jan. 14-The Chicago Black Hawks, no ice whizzes themselves in recent weeks, slapped the Rangers, 5—2, in Madison Square Garden last night for the Rangers' sixth straight loss. It was the first victory for the Hawks since Dec. 22.

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Billy Mosienko wielded the big stick for the Chicago sextet, netting three goals in the first period and two in the second. Johnny Gottselig notched the second Hawk tally in the second, and then Mosienko's two gave Chicago a 4—0 margin. Hank Damore got the Rangers' first goal at 12 minutes of the second. The last Hawk score came in the final stanza with Cully Dahlstrom doing the work, while Bob Dill added the last one for the New Yorkers.

### Kilby McDonald Returns To Play for Ranger Six

NEW YORK, Jan. 14-Kilby Mc-Donald, regarded as the National Hockey est rookie four with the Rangers, is back with the New York team again, having recently received discharge from the Canadian Army.

McDonald plays either left wing or center. Slumping due to illness, Donald was sold in 1941 to Hershe the American League and with Buffalo and the Canadiens before entering the Canadian Army.

### Bay State Ring Board Acts

BOSTON, Jan. 14-The Massachusetts Boxing Commission has suspended Gilbert Stromquist, Texas heavyweight, for failure to go through with a fight and Roxbury middleweight Mal Smallwood for giving an unsatisfactory performance. Ray Taylor, New York middleweight, had his license revoked for fighting in the Bay State while on parole from a correctional institution.

### Suggest Plan to Give Pros Furloughs During Playing Season

NEW YORK, Jan. 14—President Roosevelt's proposal for national service has occasioned much speculation in the United States concerning the future of professional sports. The proposed law, which would require everybody to participate in war work to a certain extent, doesn't seem to have aroused any great fears among the magnates themselves, and the newspapers generally feel that professional sports will not be changed much next year if the proposal is made law.

law.

Views on sport's part in the program which the President advocates are many and varied. Congressman Sam Weiss, of Pennsylvania, seeks to have sports declared essential because of the effect of sports on both civilian and military morale. There are others who bitterly resent the idea of able-bodied young men participating in a few hours' play every day while the rest of the country either bears arms or works long hours at war jobs.

#### Year-Round Schedule

The New York Times and the New York Herald Tribune quote unnamed Washington sources who seem to think that a regulated year-round sports schedule will be an integral part of the national service program. The two papers present stories so similar that the thought occurs they are avoing the service.

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The plan calls for professional athletes to be eligible for call to war work along with the rest of the country. The athletes however, would be furloughed to their regular athletic activities when the proper season arrived and would remain so furloughed until such time as the season ended or the value of their services on the ball field ceased to exceed their value in war plants.

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In other words, if a ball player, whose normal winter time occupation consisted of sitting down, were summoned into a machine shop, the authorities would recognize that his real profession was baseball and he would be released in the spring on government order and brought back in the fall. back in the fall.

Precedent Set by Bears
There is precedent for this plan in the actions of the War Manpower Commisscions of the war Manpower Commis-sion in dealing with several members of the Chicago Bears football team who left war jobs last fall to play football. The commission ruled the players were justified in returning to the football field because they would not properly be classified as machinists since their regular employment was football.

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Should the national service proposal be enacted with a provisional clause for professional athletes, the situation would not be changed materially from what it is now. At the present time most professional baseball players and professional football players are engaged in war work throughout the country.

Branch Rickey, Brooklyn Dodger president who usually is in close touch with such things, said he had heard nothing. "However, I do hope such a program is eventually worked out," Rickey said, "because it certainly would clear things and let us know where we stand."

#### Rip Sewell First Holdout Of 1944 Diamond Season

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Jan. 14-Trucit "Rip" Sewell, "Blooper Ball" hurler of the Pittsburgh Pirates, has be-come the first holdout of the 1944 season,

come the first holdout of the 1944 season, having returned his unsigned contract to the Bucs.

Sewell won 21 games last year and received approximately \$12,000. This year he is demanding \$20,000. The amount offered was not disclosed, though he was granted an increase. He is operating a strawberry farm at Plant City Fla ing a strawberry farm at Plant City, Fla., and is more interested in the price of fruit than the price the Pirates have offered. He has won 78 games and lost 55 in five years with the Buss. years with the Bucs.

Camp Butner 42, Newberry 35
Camp Grant 60, Allen Bradley 35
Dartmouth 75, Camp Thomas 40
Duke 44, Richmond Air Base 38
Great Lakes 63, Fort Custer 38
Loyola (New Orleans) 48, New Orleans Air
Base 44
Richmond 43, Virginia 31
YMHA 56, Tulane, 53

Hockey Results Buffalo 3, Providence 3

By Al Capp

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### Nazis Describe New Fighter Japs Threaten Congress to Act And a 'Tagalong' Glide Bomb Yank Positions

Stockholm Reports Tell of Heavily-Armored Plane Able to Defy Heavies' Guns: Parachutes Carry Mine Into Formations

Details of a new, heavily-armored German fighter and a gliding bomb or balloon mine used by the Luftwaffe against Tuesday's swarms of USAAF bombers reached Stockholm yesterday in dispatches from Swedish correspondents in Berlin. Such dispatches always are open to suspicion as carrying German propaganda intended for Allied consumption.

The fighter, identified by Aftonbladet's correspondent as the 210R, was said in some descriptions to possess weapons for firing broadsides at the

At the same time the Aftonbladet report attributed to an American flier identified as a Col. MacOrleans, who was said to have parachuted to safety and suffered a broken leg Tuesday, the assertion that the attacks were "designed as a death stroke against German airplane production.'

Nazi intelligence officers quoted MacOrleans as saying that the massive onylight assault was planned jointly by Marchal Sir Charles Portal.

he dispatches quoted MacOrleans as saving the Allied air chiefs were prepared to sacrifice up to 50 per cent of their attacking force to accomplish their mission. The airplane plants knocked out Tuesday were rated in importance with the Schweinfurt ball-bearing works and the Ploesti oil fields.

Aftonbladet's correspondent gave this declaring the description of the gliding "tagalong" about 35 fe bomb: He said planes of a special shot down.

squadron tow bombs or mines at the end of a cable. These ships fly above and ahead of the American formation and release the mines, which then float by parachutes into the path of the bombers.

This tactic, the dispatch said, was designed to break up close formations of bombers and permit Nazi fighters to attack with greater ease.

Bomber pilots must dodge contact with the mine, which is apparently designed to explode at a certain altitude with devastating effect over a large area.

(The Germans claimed they first used the glider bomb Tuesday, but American airmen who returned from Kiel Jan. 5 reported that the Nazis had used this weapon against their Fortresses and Liberators.)

Accounts of the new fighter emphasized its heavy armor, enabling it to fly closer into the terrific firepower of the bombers. Aftonbladet quoted Lt. Walter M. Parson of Atlantic City, an American pilot the Nazis said had been taken prisoner, as declaring the Nazi interceptors were only about 35 feet away when his Fortress was

USAAF, RAF,

Pound France

(Continued from page 1) headquarters, while U.S. fighter losses stand at five.

The reconnaissance photos showed that the AGO Flugzeugwerke at Oschersleben, believed to be the most important producer of FW190 fighters, was blanketed with high explosives and incendiaries.

Nine direct hits were reported on the main machine shops; huge fires were started. Other assembly shops and plant buildings caught direct hits or near misses.

plant when later reconnaissance photos

At Brunswick, the Waggum fighter and bomber assembly plant which turns out Me110s received a group of bombs on the sub-assembly shops, stores, boiler houses and offices, and seven direct hits on the main assembly shops.

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At Halberstadt, the Junkers factory turning out wings for Ju88s and Ju188s was pounded by bursts on six large workshops, direct hits on other shops and a blanker pottern stress of fisher and other shops.

blanket pattern across offices and other

At Bielefeld, rail and engineering center, at least 15 bombs battered the storage yards, while the bomb pattern extended

through railway yards and into the business area of the town.

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fighter pilots left, and the latest German

fighter planes are superior to any the

The Germans have achieved a certain

temporary success with rocket guns

mounted on their fighters, but the rocket planes are not "as effective as the Ger-mans hoped they would be."

Peck, explaining why repeated attacks were necessary against targets reported as

previously hit successfully, said:
"The industrial centers we attack are

often large urban areas and require many successful blows. The battle of Hamburg, for instance, took nearly 9,000 tons of bombs, which is more than our forces

could carry in one attack. Also, the enemy has a vast repair organization, and

after a while we must attend again to what has been restored."

Terry and the Pirates

Allies have encountered heretofore.

were taken.

Great fires still were burning in the

### AFN Listeners To Hear Pilots

A 20-minute program, "Take the Air," will be heard on the AFN airlanes tonight at 8.10 PM, Produced under the auspices of the radio section of the Eighth Air Force, the show will feature three outstanding fighter pilots, Col. William Cumming, Lt. Col. David Schilling and Lt. James L. Griffin.

Three Michigan towns will be on Sunday's "Your Town" program at 11 AM. Radio news-letters from Detroit, Saginaw and Battle Creek will be read.
At 1.45 PM Cpl. Warren Bryan interviews Col. Oveta Culp Hobby, and at 5.15 PM Robin Duff, BBC correspondent with the U.S. forces here.

On Your Dial Saturday, Jan. 15

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1100—GI Jive.

1115—Personal Album—Bob Crosby.

1130—Hit Parade.
1200—Orchestre Montmartre (BBC).
1230—Yank Swing Session.
1300—World News (BBC).
1310—Serenade.
1315—War Commentary.
1330—Hello, India—Special feature to the GIs in India.
1400—Happy Norman's Ranch House,
1430—Sign off until 1745 hours.

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1745—Spodight on Alvino Rey—Program Resume.
1840—World News (BBC).
1810—GI Supper Club.
1850—Every Accent Tells a Story.
1900—Seven O'Clock Sports—Presented by The Stars and Stripes.
1905—Waltz Time. with Abe Lyman's Orchestra and Frank Munn.
1930—Dinah Shore.
2000—News From Home—Nightly roundup of news from the U.S.A., with Corporal Ford Kennedy.
2410—Take the Air.
2030—Gil Journal.
2100—World News (BBC).
2110—Remember.

-American Commentary—Alistair Cooke, -Alltime Hit Parade.

Xavier Cugat. Tommy Dorsey Show. Final Edition. Sign off until 6860 hours Sunday, Jan. 16.

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0800—Program Resume—Organ Recital.
0815—Sound Off—Fred Waring and Kay Kyser.
0830—Major Bowes Amateur Program.
0900—World News (BBC).
0910—Melody Roundup.
0930—Sunday Serenade (BBC)—Scottish Variety
Orchestra.
1015—Novatime.
1030—Morman Tabernacle Choir.
1100—Your Town—Radio—news-letters
Detroit, Saginaw and Battle Creek.
1130—Harry James.
1130—Hour of Charm.
1200—Geraldo and His Orchestra BBC).
1230—Bob Crosby Show.
1235—Bob Crosby Show.
1300—World News (BBC).
1110—Serenade.

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1310 Screnade.
1315 Jack Benny's Program—with Mary Livingstone, Dennis Day, Rochester and Phil Harris and his Orchestra.
1340 Sports Stuff.
1345 Interview with Col. Oveta Culp Hobby of the WACs.
1400 National Barn Dance—Regular cast of the American musical feature.
1450 John Charles Thomas—Metropollan Baritone sings popular favorites.
1500 Take Your Choice.
1510 Sammy Kaye's Sunday Serenade.
1600 News Flashes.

1605—Radio Chapel—with Chaplain, John Weaver, 1630—Andre Kostelanetz and His Orchestra, 1700—Bridgebuilders (BBC), 1715—Robin Duff—BBC-ETOUSA Reporter, 1710—Rhapsody in Khaki—Southern Base Section Entertains, 1800—World News (BBC), 1800—Conserver, Conserver, Conse

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1810—GI Supper Club.
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1900—Seven O'clock Sports—Presented by The
Stars and Stripes.
1905—Your Radio Theatre.
2000—News From Home—Nightly roundup of
news from the U.S.A.
2010—Great Music—Walter Houston introduces
the classics.
2022—Help Wanted.
2010—Fanny Brice Show.
2000—World News (BBC).
2010—Intermezzo.

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2110 - Intermeters.
2120 - Gl Tommy.
2130 - California Melodies.
2100 - Bob Hope Show - with Frances Langford,
Vera Vague and Jerry Colonna.
2225 - Final Edition.
2230 - Sign off until 1100 hours Monday, Jan. 17.

# In New Britain

### Texas Force Launching Attacks to Keep Their Hold on Bridgehead

ALLIED HQ, Southwest Pacific, Jan. 14—After several futile but powerful Jap attempts to recapture Arawe peninsula on southwestern New Britain, Texans of the Sixth Army yesterday launched counter-blows to break up reinforced enemy troops which are reported less 100 yards from the main U.S. positions.

It appeared tonight that the Japs may be preparing a serious push to regain the U.S. bridgehead which Allied Head-quarters said yesterday was being "firmly held by troops entrenched along three miles of Cape Merkus." The head-quarters statement was issued as a denial to a Jap claim on Tuesday that Arawe had been re-taken.

In the Cape Gloucester area stiffening Jap resistance also was reported, adding to the belief here in headquarters that the Japs are sneaking supplies and men into the area via a jungle road along the north coast which cuts through a valley in the center of the island to terminate near the wrecked airstrip at Arawe.

The U.S. counter-raid yesterday came after hours of severe artillery bombardment. Results of the attacks were not announced today, but a brief communique

announced today, but a briet communique said Jap losses were mounting every day and that enemy losses in ten days' fighting were more than 2,500 killed.

Elsewhere in the southwest Pacific, Australian troops opened artillery barrages on Sio, New Guinea, where Jap troops were believed to be withdrawing. for new positions near Saidor. Wide-spread air operations, meanwhile, continued on enemy bases in the Solomons New Britain and New Ireland.

### Mr. Roosevelt Turns Back \$1,950 of His 1943 Salary

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (AP)-PrewASRINGTON, 3ai, 14 (A) resident Roosevelt returned to the Treasury \$1,950 of his \$75,000 salary for 1943, under his plea to limit salaries to \$25,000 a year after taxes have been deducted. This was disclosed when the Budget Bureau's table of receipts for 1943 was sent to Congress with the President's budget message. budget message.

She Really Did

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 14—Mary Treen, movie actress now playing in "I Love a Soldier," married Pfc Herbert Pierson.

# On Bill to Boost

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14. (AP)—Congressional action to place the four senior military chiefs in the United States into "protocol equality" with their companionate British counterparts directing global warfare will be started next week.

Members of Congress in close touch with military circles emphasized that the proposed legislation which would raise Gen. George C. Marshall, Adm. Ernest J. King, Adm. William D. Leahy and Gen. Henry H. Arnold to a new rank, still undesignated, was not prompted by a spirit of rivalry but as a means of levelling off differences in the rank of men constantly working together.

stantly working together.

Rep. Carl Vinson, chairman of the House Naval Committee, described the proposal as "just a proper recognition of the four men," and said that it was designed to "place them on the same footing as their British counterparts in protocol matters." protocol matters.

At present Gen. Marshall and Adm. King rank below their counterparts on the combined staffs despite their equal responsibility and powers.

### Brains Trust' Forums To Start at Bomber HO

EIGHTH BOMBER COMMAND HQ., Jan. 14—Six enlisted men, organized as a "Brains Trust," will answer questions on Army mail here Monday nighon the first of a weekly series of "GI Brains Trust" sessions planned by headquarters squadron to present "Army Talks" material.

The permanent "Brains Trust" group

Talks" material.

The permanent "Brains Trust" group here will include S/Sgt. Wayne A. Roberg, Ellingford, Wash.; S/Sgt. Robert J. Gregory, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Sgt. Lester Weinberg, Brooklyn; T/Sgt. Charles Lutz, Syracuse, N.Y., and T/Sgt. Harold Schaffer, Flint, Mich. Grets member for the session on Army Guest member for the session on Army mail will be Cpl. Forest Surges, of Talla-hassee, Fla., head of the local postal

### Says CIO's Murray Broke Ban on Funds for Politics

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14 (UP)-Atty. Gen. Francis Biddle last night ordered an immediate investigation of charges made by Rep. Howard W. Smith (D.-Va.) that CIO President Philip Murray had vio-lated the Smith-Connally Act, which pro-hibits unions from making political con-

Rep. Smith, one of the sponsors of the act, alleged that Murray has collected \$560,000 for use as a political fund to bring out the labor vote in this year's elections.

### Through Bud, a Tribute to the Press

### Air Medal for Oram Routine, But It's Symbol to Newsmen

tribute from American correspondents in London to all newspaper reporters who risk death to keep the public informed on the war featured the

presentation of an Air Medal yesterday to M/Sgt. Bud Hutton, of The Stars and Stripes.

ness area of the town.

The armaments manufacturing town of Meppen, on the Dortmund-Ems canal, was hit by high explosives and incendiaries from Liberator bomb bays, photos showed. Three and possibly five direct hits cut the railway south from the town, and the vulnerable locks of the canal system near Huntel, a few miles north, were caught in a bomb pattern which registered near misses or direct hits on at least one lock. The medal was given for five missions against enemy, on which Hutton flew as a gunner in order to get material stories the Association of American Corre-

for and features. However, Hutton spondents in London took advantage of the occasion to recognize the services of

newspaper men on all battle fronts.

Maj. Gen. John C. H. Lee, commanding general of SOS, made the presentation at a brief ceremony in Hyde Park, London, and Robert E. Bunnelle, president of the

correspondents' association, read a letter on behalf of that organization. Pointing out that Hutton had volunteered as an air gunner without extra flying pay in order to cover air operations, the letter declared that it was the same traditional desire to get first-hand information that had impelled several other American correspondents to give their lives in bringing the true picture of the war to the American people.

Among them were Lowell Bennett, of the International News Service, killed in a Lancaster raid on Berlin; Robert Post, of the New York Times, missing in the first American raid on Germany; Ben Robertson, of the New York Herald Tribune, killed in a plane crash at Lisbon; Ralph Barnes, also of the Herald Tribune, killed in a Balkans air crash; Harry Crockett, of the Associated Press, mortally wounded while with the British Mediterranean Fleet; Brydon Taves, of the United Press, killed in a New Guinea plane crash, and others. "All these men and many more have

shared with the fighting services every trial and danger of modern warfare, because 'otal war requires total enlightenment of the Home Front," the letter said. "And we feel that the U.S. Army is recognizing the gallantry of all these in its presenta-tion of the Air Medal to Bud Hutton, a soldier who stands for the best in Ameri-

can journalism."

Hutton, 31, formerly worked on the New York World Telegram, New York Post and papers in several other States. Post and papers in several other States. He joined the Canadian Army's Essex Scottish Regiment soon after war broke out, served later as an operational photographer with the RCAF and transferred to the U.S. Army in July, 1942. He served as city editor of The Stars and Stripes for ten months before assigning himself permanently as a full-time air force correspondent.

He was dismayed yesterday to find that the official citation had exposed his real name-Oram C. Hutton.

### NEWS FROM HOME M'NuttSuggests War Chief Ranks 6-PointBasisfor **NationalService**

### Safeguards to Prevent Arbitrary Controls a Feature of Plan

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 14—Paul McNutt, châirman of the War Manpower Commission, advocated last night in a speech here six principles which he said "it would be disastrous to ignore" in drawing up a national service act.

drawing up a national service act.

In his "state of the Union" message to Congress Tuesday President Roosevelt called for a law "making available for war production or for any other essential services every able-bodied adult" in the

Underlying such legislation, McNutt said, should be the following basic prin-

1-Broad discretion should be left to the state and to the community in administering the law, 2-Co-operation between management

and labor should underline the law's administration.

3-A technical organization must be developed to administer the law wisely. 4-Democratic administration profecting both worker and employer against arbitrary action.

5—Recognition that an obligation exists toward those whose lives have been

6-The law should not be used to cloak inequity, injustice or incompetence on the part of either management or labor.

#### Tobacco 'Strike' Urged

LANCASTER,, Pa., Jan. 14-In a LANCASTER, Pa., Jan. 14—In a series of newspaper advertisements, the tobacco growers of Lancaster County were urged by S. S. Bard, president of the County Growers' Association, to refuse to sell their 1943 crop. The association said that OPA ceiling prices of 21 cents a pound for wrapper leaf and seven cents for cigar filler leaf were based on an average year, while this season a "farmer's market" existed.

Rep. Treadway to Quit

STOCKBRIDGE, Mass., Jan. 14— Rep. Allen T. Treadway, the minority leader of the House Ways and Means Committee and dean of the New England delegation in Congress, announced that he would not run for re-election because of poor health. Rep. Treadway, now serving his 16th term in Congress, has been a member of the Ways and Means Committee for 25 years.

#### Non-Profit Profit

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 14—A spokes-man for Walt Disney said yesterday that 94 per cent of the Disney studio's output last year was done for the government on as non-profit basis. Disney produced films for the Army, Navy and other government agencies. However, the annual report showed that the studio's net income for the year was \$431,000. The year before the studio lost \$191,000.

Honor for Carole Lombard

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 14—A Distinguished Service Certificate is to be awarded posthumously to Carole Lombard, who was killed in a plane crash while on a bond-selling tour, the Treasury Department appropriet Department announced.

William Collier Sr. Dies

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 14—William Collier Sr., 78, veteran stage and screen actor, died here.

### Peace Pledge

mendation for \$10,500,000,000 in additional war-time taxes met with mixed

"I am in favor of getting it for him." said Sen. Theodore F. Green (D.-R.I.).
"It is foolishness to say that we have "It is toolismiess to say that we have reached the limit on taxes."

Sen. David I. Walsh (D.-Mass.) said it was "evident that a new tax bill with drastic increases will have to be enacted

in 1944."
For the Republicans, Sen. Wallace H.
White Jr., of Maine, commented, "The
President did not leave out anything, did
he? He has a positive genius for thinking

ways to spend money."
Rep. John Taber (R., N.Y.) said, "The Appropriations Committee can now show its mettle. We have cut items for the administrative departments at least 15 per

#### cent and war agencies 25 per cent.' By Milton Caniff









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