

London MPs Pick Up 42 In Check-Up

Few Yanks in Streets as Armed Squads Examine Papers and Passes

A routine check-up of soldiers in the London area during the 24 hours ending at midnight on Tuesday gave the MPs a haul of 42 men in trouble, it was disclosed yesterday. They spread their net wide, and even a one-star general was stopped by an MP for questioning—but his papers were in order.

Reviewing operations yesterday, the officer in charge of the round-up, Col. Ernest G. Buhrmaster, of Schenectady, N.Y., said that 42 were picked up as AWOL.

"We don't hold them," he added, "but send them back as soon as we can contact their units."

24-Hour Confinement

The round-up was coincident with a 24-hour period of confinement of all military personnel to billets, with the exception of special duty men and units in transit.

British civilians were out in force to enjoy the London streets, strangely free of U.S. servicemen, except for the white-helmeted MPs, who carried carbines, gas masks and canteens.

The MPs cordoned the West End streets and stopped every vehicle, military or civilian, checking up on passengers. Even buses were brought to a halt and searched.

Restaurants, clubs and railroad stations were visited in the area around Regent St., Soho, Piccadilly and Oxford St., and at one point near Piccadilly Circus the approach of the MPs sent soldiers with guilty consciences scurrying through the crowds of civilians, with the police in full chase.

Chased Into Restaurant

At the Regent Palace Hotel some soldier guests saw the MPs arriving and high-tailed it into a side street and into Oddenino's Restaurant. MPs covered both restaurant entrances, while others went into the building and inspected identity cards and leave passes. Several soldiers were taken away in jeeps.

British and Allied military police cooperated in the search, which was, however, mainly an American affair. British and Allied servicemen and women were also investigated, and dozens of civilians and some girls in service uniform were taken away in cars by London bobbies.

This check-up was the second large-scale operation by the MPs. The last one, about a month ago, yielded about the same number.

Similar round-ups were conducted in various other towns in the ETO, but no information is available as to the overall number of absentees.

Prisoner Ships Begin Exchange at Barcelona

BARCELONA, May 17 (AP)—The Swedish exchange ship Gripsholm, carrying approximately 700 German wounded prisoners of war from the U.S. and Britain, docked here this morning followed a few hours later by the Italian Gradiasca bringing approximately 900 Allied prisoners, including about a hundred Americans, from Germany.

As the Gradiasca slid past the Gripsholm, the British and Americans, in high spirits, shouted greetings to pretty American nurses aboard the Swedish vessel. The Germans were glumly silent.

Exchange of prisoners between the two ships began shortly after noon.

'Any Moment Now'

Marshal Erwin Rommel, German supreme anti-invasion commander, declared last night, in a statement broadcast by German radio.

"The invasion will begin any moment now."

The radio said Rommel made the statement during an inspection of defenses on the "north coasts of Europe."

The War Today

Italy—Eighth Army advance brings vital Cassino supply road from Rome under mortar and machine-gun fire. Fifth Army drives nearer Hitler Line; Americans capture two more towns to straighten out front in south.

S.E. Asia—Chinese with Stilwell encircle Jap stronghold by sweep through jungle while forces pushing to join them from Salween River drive through strategic Burma border pass. Twenty-two mile stretch of central China railroad retaken.

Russia—Soviet bombers blast German rail center to prepare for new offensive.

Killing the Luftwaffe on the Ground



This is what was left of a row of German transport planes after they were riddled by Eighth Air Force fighter planes engaged in the most dangerous game that fighter pilots play—strafing. (See strafing feature on Page 2.)

Sparkplug of Airborne Thrust In Burma Is Now in the ETO

NINTH TROOP CARRIER COMMAND HQ, May 16—Maj. William H. Taylor, the man who planned, organized and personally led the recent glider thrust behind Jap lines in Burma—the most successful airborne operation in history—is now in England serving on the staff of Brig. Gen. Paul L. Williams, chief of Ninth Troop Carrier Command, it has been disclosed.

On temporary duty here, the major is touring American and British troop-carrier bases, telling ETO glider pilots that "the theory of a one-way trip for a glider mission has been disproved. Gliders are being used more extensively all the time."

"In Burma," he said, "we flew ten full missions in addition to reconnaissance sorties. Not only did we spearhead the invasion, but we supported the operation by also using gliders to fly in reinforcements and supplies after the initial attack had been made—something that had never been done before."

Himself a pilot of the motorless craft, Taylor wears the British DSO, awarded for his brilliant leadership of the glider phase of the Burmese expedition, headed by Col. Philip (Flip Corkin) Cochran.

The first to set foot in enemy territory, the 33-year-old major was in action in Burma a full 24 hours ahead of one of his crack pilots, Jackie Coogan, who was the first to come down in another landing zone in a later phase of the same operation.

F/O Coogan had been erroneously reported as the first American to land in a Jap sector.

All gliders used in the Burma invasion were American-type CG4As, the major said.

He told how his pilots went without sleep from 24 to 72 hours following the landing, sweating to build airfields, carrying out their own demolition, setting up flying control for air traffic, fighting a commando raid alongside their airborne passengers, comprised of Britons, Scots, West Africans and Gurkhas.

His men went into battle armed with tommy-guns, carbines, pistols and the Krugi knives given them by Gurkhas, Taylor said.

All this had to be done before they could be evacuated to fly new missions.

"My boys had to possess several skills in addition to being able to fly gliders; and they were picked on that basis," Taylor said.

"They had to work night and day to assemble their own gliders because we

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War Budget Cut As Allies Gain

FDR Says Losses Lower Than Expected; Navy Eases Off Fighters

WASHINGTON, May 17—Because operational losses of the U.S. armed forces since January have been lower than anticipated, President Roosevelt said yesterday, the estimate of war spending for the fiscal year starting July 1 has been cut from \$905,000,000,000 to \$900,200,000,000.

Part of the \$4,800,000,000 reduction is due to greatly reduced shipping losses from submarines and also to the fact that guns are lasting longer because they are being hit less frequently.

At the same time the Navy disclosed that it is reducing its fighter-plane production program because losses have been two-thirds under earlier estimates. The announcement added that "as the relative air superiority over the enemy rises; the attrition rate is dropping steadily."

The reduced production will still enable the Navy to meet its goal of having 37,000 airplanes of all types available in 1944.

NCO in Italy Furloughed After Mother Writes FDR

ALLIED HQ, Italy, May 17—A letter from his 90-year-old mother to President Roosevelt has gained a special furlough to the States for Sgt. Arthur Hasler, of Geneseo, N.Y., so that he can be home on his father's birthday.

The President's secretary sent the letter to the Adjutant General with the note: "Respectfully referred for acknowledgment and consideration."

New Bombers' Speed Put Above 350 MPH

NEW YORK, May 17 (AP)—"Bombers of tomorrow" now coming off the production lines will make today's bombers obsolete from the standpoint of speed, altitude, range and bomb-load, Maj. Gen. Caleb V. Haynes predicts in a foreword to "Aerosphere," international aviation yearbook published today.

"These super-planes," he said, "will cruise at an altitude of more than 35,000 feet at speeds in excess of 350 MPH with a bomb-load greater than any being carried by our bombers today."

Yanks, French Push Toward Hitler Line; 8th Near Vital Road

Nazis Put Out Different News—But It's Still Bad

The daily German High Command communique from Hitler's headquarters, which has been playing up the Russian front, gave first place to the Italian fighting yesterday for the first time—but the words it used were about the same:

"The disengagement movements completed according to High Command orders are going according to plan."

Warned Strike Perils Invasion, Foremen Return

Call Off Walkout After Arnold Announces It Cost 250 Mustangs

DETROIT, May 17—Ninety minutes after Gen. Henry H. Arnold warned that a five-day-old strike of 3,300 foremen in Detroit war plants "might affect invasion operations," the Foremen's Association of America today voted to call off the walkout.

The strike had spread to 15 factories early today when Briggs and Hudson plants were forced to close, thus boosting the number of idle men to 70,000.

Gen. Arnold, appearing unexpectedly as a witness at a War Labor Board hearing in Washington, called the strike "the most serious setback the air force program has had since its inception."

"Already, it has cost us 250 P51 fighters," the general said. "If it is continued, it might enable the German air force to recover just when it is reeling under our blows."

Shortly after the statement was made, leaders of the union, which had been seeking recognition as a bargaining agent, went into conference and advised an immediate return to work.

Among the closed factories was the Packard Motor Company, sole source of the Rolls-Royce engine used in the Mustang.

T. G. Davis, chairman of the War Labor Board, joined Gen. Arnold in criticizing the strike. He told Robert Keys, president of the foremen's group, that his organization "was leading straight to disaster."

Early today, Keys had said an additional 2,000 members were ready to strike.

Meantime, the Chrysler Motor factory still remained shut with 6,500 workers idle following yesterday's violence resulting out of a dispute between the CIO and AFL. The argument arose over the question of which union would provide truck drivers to deliver soft drinks to workers.

Foresee 10 Million Loan Pleas

WASHINGTON, May 17—More than 10,000,000 war veterans will be in the market for government loans after the war, the Veterans' Administration estimated.

Knox Left \$2,000,000

CHICAGO, May 17—The estate of Col. Frank Knox, who died Apr. 28, was estimated today at \$2,000,000. His widow was the principal beneficiary.

Alone, Wounded Gunner Rides Lib to a Crash, Walks Away

AN EIGHTH LIBERATOR BASE, May 17 (AP)—All alone in a crippled pilotless Liberator, a painfully wounded ball turret gunner rode out a crash landing recently, then watched the ship catch fire and explode after he had limped to safety a short distance away.

Twenty-five to 50 German fighters had attacked the Liberator Valkyrie three times, wounding three crewmen, starting four fires, wrecking two engines and the flying controls, near Brunswick.

The pilot, Lt. Robert Catlin, of Atlanta, Ga., nursed the injured ship back to England, then ordered the crew to bail out near their base.

When the third engine quit, Catlin and co-pilot Lt. George Wear, of Columbia, Ala., took to their parachutes unaware

that the ball turret gunner and Sgt. Morris Irby, of Columbia, S.C., the top turret gunner, still were in the waist.

The two gunners likewise were unaware they were alone until Irby went to the cockpit and found it empty. He grabbed the stick, nosed her up, buckled on a chute and dived out at 700 feet.

The ship crashed into a clump of trees. The remaining gunner flung off the pile of equipment that had avalanched on him and clambered out of the wreckage with 20-mm. wounds throbbing in his leg, arm and abdomen.

Other members of the crew were Lt. Jackson Tisch, of Chicago; Lt. Joseph Aiello, of Bloomington, Del.; Sgt. Kenneth Drapeau, of Rochester, N.H.; Sgt. William Moore, of Winthrop, Mass., and two other injured gunners.

British and Indians Mile From Cassino Supply Highway

NAPLES, May 17—Eighth Army troops, battling forward slowly but steadily, closed on the vital Cassino supply road today while to the southward Americans and French of the Fifth Army drove nearer the Hitler Line.

South of Spigno, which fell to them yesterday, the Yanks straightened out their line by capturing Scauri on the coast and Castellonoro, about midway between Scauri and Spigno, after hard fighting. They now control the high ground in this sector before the Hitler belt and are poised for a new drive on to the coast road and Formia, the line's southern bastion.

The French under Gen. Alphonse Juin, now identified as Moroccan Goums, Algerian riflemen and Senegalese infantry trained by Gen. Henri Giraud in Africa, reached the crest of 3,500-foot Monte Fammera, only two miles from Esperia, strongpoint in the Hitler Line.

Mile From Highway 6

The British and Indians below Cassino advanced southwest of those embattled ruins to within less than a mile of the main Cassino-Rome road, known as Highway Six. The Germans used it to supply their Cassino garrison, but the Allied troops now can sweep it with mortar and machine-gun fire.

The Germans resisted desperately, building new defenses as they fell back, but the Eighth brought an overwhelming weight of armor across its expanded Rapido River bridgehead, Gen. Sir Oliver Leese used "leapfrog" tactics on his front—as the advance of one unit was stopped, another was brought up to the attack, thus confronting the weary Germans continually with fresh troops.

While the move to outflank Cassino progressed on the southern side, it apparently was stalemated in the north, where Polish troops were fighting in rugged mountainous terrain. A communique reported that "there had been no change in the hills north of Cassino."

Strong air support of the offensive was continued, with the Mediterranean Allied Air Forces flying more than 1,800 sorties during the day, although bad weather kept the heavy bombers at their bases. Mediums blasted shipping and rail facilities in central Italy, while light and fighter bombers made numerous attacks on gun positions, troop concentrations and communication lines in the battle area and north of Rome.

Expert Promises Bigger Bombs Than 12,000 Lbs.

WASHINGTON, May 17 (AP)—Germany and Japan can look for bigger and more destructive bombs; Air Commodore Patrick Huskinson, who developed the British 12,000-pound factory-buster, told a press conference yesterday.

The 47-year-old RAF officer, blinded by a bomb fragment in the London blitz, said Britain and America were "constantly developing and improving" new air weapons.

Asserting that tremendous damage had been caused in Germany by 4,000 and 8,000-pound bombs and the new six-ton block-buster first dropped on the Reich shortly before last Christmas, he said:

"We won't rest until we try out a big one on some ramshackle houses in Tokyo."

U.S. War Plants' Job 'Miraculous'—Halifax

DENVER, Col., May 17 (AP)—Describing the job done by American war workers as "miraculous," Lord Halifax, British ambassador to the U.S., told a press conference yesterday, after a tour of war plants and training camps, his only regret was that he had not been accompanied by one man—Adolf Schickelgruber.

"The job you people have done in this country in such a short time would have made Hitler quake in his boots if he could have seen it," he said, after visits to New Mexico, Arizona and Utah.

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Cartels or Kartels

THE word "Cartel" is cropping up in the news with increasing frequency. The latest American to use the term in a public statement is Wendell Berge, Assistant Attorney General, who claims: "There will be a drive to get us into foreign cartels—in fact, that drive is now going on. It will fail for two reasons. First, our foreign trade will not be helped in the least if we joined with the cartels, and second, this country is in no mood to give up the American way of life because Europe believes in cartels."

Mr. Francis Biddle has also gone on record as opposed to cartels. Speaking to Harvard Law School Alumni recently he said: "The spurious security of these cartel agreements was repeatedly revealed. German productive capacity continued to increase as the NON-GERMAN companies continued to restrict their own capacity and output—and to neglect generally the development of new processes—and each successive cartel agreement recognized the increasing disadvantage of the non-German members."

Such statements cannot be lightly disregarded and a word of explanation is offered. Cartel, or Kartel, is a form of combination among manufacturers by which the independent firms and establishments in a particular trade or process contract to regulate their output and prices, generally to their mutual advantage.

During World War I the German Reich made wide use of cartels for supplying the enormous requirements of her army. After the war these cartels were exploited,—many of them internationally—and therein lies the danger, for during the present war the Nazi government, under the guise of every known legal device, has sought to gain control over every non-German European industry and thus during the period of conquest to lay the foundation for permanent control.

On the day of victory in Europe we will find industrial property in every occupied country effectively centralized in the hands of a few German companies. It will be necessary to free European industry from this control if victory is to be real. A defeated Germany with the wealth of Europe still in her hands will soon grow strong at the expense of neighboring nations.

Cartels will aid that growth.

Views by Rundstedt

IMPARTIAL military critics are unanimous in their view that Germany lost the war on the day that she attacked Russia. Field Marshal von Rundstedt, who has been placed in command of the German armies in the West, shares their opinion. He maintains that the day Hitler attacked Russia Germany lost any chance she might ever have had of victory.

Von Rundstedt after the last war devoted himself to a study of the events that had led to the downfall of the old Imperial Army in 1918. As a result of his studies he came to certain very definite conclusions with regard to Germany's chances in the next war, and these he ventilated when addressing staff colleges, and we quote:

"From the very beginning (of the last world war) Germany's chance of victory lay in the possibility of keeping up a mobile warfare against the Allies. When stalemate came on the western front it should have been the first duty of the German Imperial General Staff to start mobile warfare afresh in the spring of 1915, instead of which the efforts to regain the initiative were postponed to a date in 1918 when the American aid to the Allies was smashing all hope of victory for the German Army. Time always works against any Continental power at war with England; that has been proved in the past, and is entirely true today when highly developed armament industries depend more than ever on overseas imports of raw material. A Continental power wishing to defeat England must have either Russia or the United States as an ally in order to have any chance of victory. If this constellation cannot be obtained, then England must be an ally of any power aiming at predominance on the Continent. She must not be neutral, for even as a neutral she can turn the scales of victory as may suit her convenience."

From this observation it is plain to see that the German Commander-in-Chief of Nazi forces in the West has no illusions. He knows that, owing to Hitler's intuitive strategy, Germany has lost the second world war. Today Germany is a nation bled white from casualties, smashed from the air and faced by huge Russian, British and American Armies, trained and equipped to prove Rundstedt's own words correct.

Hash Marks

Here we go with another "slip-that-passed-in-the-night." Draftees who read the New York papers must have thought the Army was playing favorites when they read this one many months ago: "William McChesney Martin Jr., former president of the N.Y. Stock Exchange, stood his first reveille at Ft. Dix yesterday. Like all other recruits, he was rustled out of bed at 5:30 PM." (Stock Exchange hours, maybe.)

Flash from the medical front—by Pfc Ed Kataskas: A black cat was led into the office of the Veterinarian with a badly



injured paw. The paw was expertly patched up and the critter sent on its way. The following morning there was a howl from the Medics across the way. The same cat—bandaged paw and all—was first in line for sick call, and has been for three days straight.

Out hat is off to Capt. Alvin Krakower for injecting a wholesome sense of humor into his practice as doc for a 9th Troop Carrier Command Station. Displayed over the door of his dispensary is a sign reading, "QUACK SHACK."

GI Philosophy. There are two kinds of women. Those who keep their love letters and those whose love letters keep them.

Overheard in a Pub. "I just learned my uncle died from drinking shellac. They say he had a fine finish."

There's a GI strolling around the ETO today with a very thoughtful expression on his face. He received this note from a new girl friend:

You kissed and told But that's all right. The guy you told Called up last night.

Most significant name for a jeep we have seen yet, "Any Moment Now."

Incidental Information. There's a Sonata Laundry on Beethoven Street in London.

When his girl friend kept writing and asking what he lived in over here, T/Sgt. B. R. Lundell was inspired to pen this verse:



You don't know what you're missin' Till you've lived inside a Nissen And heard the raindrops kissin' On the bloody metal top. And, blimey, if you listen, You'll hear that 'n tellin' this'n "How I wish that old man Nissen Had to come in here and flop!"

Today's Daffynition. A fan dancer is a nudist with a cooling system.

PRIVATE BREGER



"Sorry, I only capture officers!"

Strafing: The Most Perilous Game



This picture of a German airfield being strafed was drawn by S/Sgt. Nathan H. Glick, of Ninth Air Force, on the basis of strike photos taken by pilots.

By Bud Hutton

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Some ten feet above the runways and hardstands of Germany's airfields American fighter pilots in the last four months have perfected the third arm of a tri-pronged weapon designed to annihilate Nazi air power.

It is strafing, aerial attack at as close to zero altitude as an airplane can get and still fly. It was invented 30 years ago by the Germans, who gave the technique its name from the Germanic verb "strafe," to punish.

It is the most dangerous maneuver in fighter pilots' repertoire and probably has claimed more of the top aces of Eighth and Ninth Fighter Commands than any other form of attack. But it is one of the most valuable weapons in the Allied aerial arsenal because it destroys the last refuge of the Luftwaffe.

Mustang, Thunderbolt and Lightning pilots have come back from strafing targets on the Continent with the tips of their propellers folded back from chewing into the ground or into the paved runways of Luftwaffe airdromes. Day in and day out ground crews find chunks of high-tension wire in air scoops or around wing bomb racks, and the commentary is sufficient that it means the pilot wasn't flying low enough. One P51 ace came back to base with a turp in his air scoop.

Strafing began with the Nieuports and Sopwiths, the Fokkers and Junkers of World War I. It was used against ground troops in trenches. The Allies took over the German verb to describe it, and "strafe" (shtrafh) it became. When Rickenbacker and Prince, Lufberry and Hall started flying for Gen. Billy Mitchell's fledgling air force of 1917-18, the practice remained the same, the verb became "strayt."

In World War II, what strafing there was early in the war was eclipsed by the technique of dive-bombing, and the Stuka became the symbol of aerial assault on tactical ground targets. The Luftwaffe strafed, when it was necessary, and so did the RAF. As cannon came into use in twin-engine fighters, such as the Beaufighter and the early Mosquito, low-level gun attacks were carried out against enemy shipping.

When, last autumn, the RAF and the USAAF began the first real phase of their offensive to smash the Luftwaffe—necessary prelude to invasion by ground—they had two weapons with which to work the trick: Bombing and aerial combat. They would bomb the factories and the material sources which turned out German airplanes. And when the Nazis flew up to try and prevent them, they would destroy what they could of the German air force in the air.

It worked with no drawbacks, for a time. From every source came repeated indications that German aircraft production strength was being blasted to pieces. The strain began to show in Luftwaffe reserves—although not in first-line combat craft. Then Reichsairmarshal Goering and his staff put into effect a strategy which completely nullified one of the Allies' two weapons. They chose to keep their defending fighters grounded, except under the most favorable circumstances.

In the waning months of 1943, and the first days of 1944, pilots here and there throughout fighter units had been turning in occasional reports of "beating up" enemy airfields after they had been forced to hit the deck by engine trouble and come home at zero altitude. Now and then they would fly over a Luftwaffe drome, spray it in passing and go on.

Gradually the technique evolved. Pilots learned to hug the ground, hiding their planes with the contours as they approached the target. They learned how to avoid flak so far as is possible. They learned a lot more navigation than they'd ever known.

In January it became obvious that Goering was going to keep his fighters on the ground unless the dividends from sending them up were obvious. The proper counter-move was ready: Strafing. It was obvious, however, that with the withdrawal of Nazi fighter Luftflotten to the Reich itself, short range fighters would do little good strafing empty airdromes in France or Belgium.

On Feb. 8 the heavy bombers went to Frankfurt, and the Mustangs made the target leg of the run with them, left the flak of Frankfurt behind and handed over the escort job to other fighters. Over the RT came the voice of Jim Howard, the major from the old Flying Tigers: Those who had gas to spare could hit the deck and look for targets.

Two squadrons of P51s went down to German soil. They dived beneath the undercast of clouds, scoured the terrain for targets and found them. They shot up an airdrome, destroyed a Do217 and hit other planes. 1/Lt. John Mattie, of Beavertown, Pa., got three locomotives in a station. 1/Lt. Charles Gumm Jr., of Spokane, Wash., who was the first P51B pilot to destroy an enemy aircraft—in the Dec. 16 raid on Bremen—claimed the first strafing victim for the 51s, a locomotive. 1/Lt. Clayton Gross, also of Spokane, got two locomotives, a truck, a power station and flew his P51 Live Bait through a telephone line and brought back a 40-strand cable in his air scoop.

It wasn't all a piece of cake, however. Pilots came in to base to report: "Flak was hell. We hit an airfield at 450 miles an hour after a dive from 6,000 feet and the barrage was too thick to see through. The group lost the first long-range Mustang to enemy action that day, the first in 24 missions. Both of them were hit as they strafed, one by flak and one bounced by four FWs as he hit the deck.

But it was a tactical surprise of the first magnitude, the Air Force decided. Last month, the swarms of Eighth Air Force fighter planes which swept almost

daily across Europe at high, medium and low levels confirmed those first indications. Eighth fighter pilots alone destroyed 478 enemy aircraft on the ground during the month of April, and the Ninth, whose strafing parties were considerably smaller in numbers, added 58 more, which meant that more than one-third of all enemy aircraft losses in Europe by the RAF and the USAAF were achieved by strafing.

After four months or so of war on the deck, most pilots—including the P51 men—figure that the best strafing airplane ever built is the Republic Thunderbolt P47. Heavy, eight-gunned, armored and fast, it squirts out twice as much lead as a Mustang, can absorb a good deal more punishment and its radial engine will frequently keep cooking with one or two cylinders shot right out.

Attack formations for strafing vary, but the basic is to go in fairly close to the ground, cover the field and disperse areas with a stream of fire and get home. 1/Lt. Lowell Brueland, of Callendar, Iowa, describes a typical strafe.

"You spot your target field as far off as possible. Then you get the direction and get down flat on the deck, five to ten feet. Revving up, you hug the terrain on the way in.

"As you reach the field, you start firing.

"What most of the boys like best is to catch some Jerry coming in for a landing just as you start to strafe and eat the hell out of him."

Capt. Richard E. Turner, of Shawnee, Okla., who has flown Short Fuse Sallee to nine and one-half victories in air combats, brings up the point of "personal warfare."

"When we get down there and get a shot at Jerry flak positions, that's personal. It's the only chance to get back at the flak gunners. But best is to destroy enemy planes. That's the job we're there for, but it's no picnic. They lay down heavy and light flak on the field and we have to fly through it."

All the pilots prefer high-altitude fighting. "They feel that up there it's more a business of the better pilot," says Brueland, "but on the deck, strafing, it becomes a problem of mathematics as to how many planes are going to run into how much of that flak."

"Shooting down enemy planes in the air is sort of impersonal," Turner cuts in. "You're fighting machines. But down on the deck, maybe, you catch flak gunners running to their positions, as happened to me at an airfield south of Chartres, in France. You think twice about mowing them down, but if you don't they'll be firing at you in a few seconds."

Equally personal, but one of the things that keeps the fighter pilots going back again and again to the dirty job of hitting the Luftwaffe when it won't fly is the reaction of the people of the occupied countries.

Invariably as they cruise the tree-top levels of France and Belgium and Holland, the pilots see farmers and their children, who wave and point and laugh until the pilots have gone on to find a German field.

ARMY POETS



Aerial Gunner

They call him the aerial gunner, His hopes they say are dim, And his life is said To hang by a thread That is long and weak and slim. He loves his home and he loves his land, For he gambles his neck and limbs, And wagers his life In a cloud-land strife In a game with the reaper grim. His mount is a roaring dragon That flashes across the sky To take the dare In the enemy's air, And to strike him down or die. He is a knight of the upper air, And death his eternal foe Rides the tail With an eerie wail Wherever his steed may go.

You have to give him the credit For the job he does so well, For he brings her home Though his steed may roam To the very jaws of hell. He wears no bars and he wears no stars, For Sergeant is his rank, But I've heard them tell He fights like hell, And is proud of the title "Yank." There are others there in the upper air, And we can't detract their fame, For they make a crew, And the job they do Regardless of who is the same. But this is a song to the Gunner, The hero who goes unswung, Though the enemy knows His deadly blows, And the funeral knells he's rung. Clement L. Lockwood.

Warweek

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HITLER'S...



'NEW ORDER'



MEANS DEATH



... AND DEVASTATION
PAGES FROM THE BOOK



Hitler says: "Along with the education of the girl from the physical training, and the intellectual values, I mother."

It is a strong statement animals with only enough as little as possible to have except to be healthy mother have Germany filled with world.



One of Hitler's main lie up of Aryans. Scientists "Aryan" is a word used Hitler implies that Aryan the German people—and to convince the Germans that all culture began with "It is no accident," he s the Aryan, by meeting lo will. The Aryans were the Then he says: "Everything that today inventions—is only the c one race. On this race d then the beauty of this ear People of German-Arya blood must be kept pure, "Blood-mixing, with the of the dying-off of old cu of that strength which is s The next time you hea think about that. And thi "All that is not race in To him other races are s thing as a dumb Aryan, sa "It is just the Aryan who Then he says: "The way that the Arys subjected the lower people to his will and for his aims. activity, he not only spared a fate which was better tha kept up ruthlessly the mas also the preserver and sprea

TWENTY years ago, when they had Adolf in the pokey after his first "putsch" pooped out, he startled the world with a new stunt: Instead of making little rocks out of big ones, Schickelgruber made some awful big words out of a garbled flock of strictly small ideas. Put end to end they filled \$3.50 worth of book space under the title "Mein Kampf," meaning "My Battle." It is very tough reading indeed but here are some excerpts, helped out by quotes from "Hitler Speaks," which was written by an old pal of the Fuehrer's, Dr. Hermann Rauschnig.

This is the stuff on which a whole generation of German boys and girls have been brought up. Judge for yourself whether Hitler is crazy—or just plain nuts.

Hitler on Education

First of all, what does Hitler think of people like you and me? Hitler says: "The masses of the people are not made up of persons who are able to form reasoned judgment in given cases, but a shifty crowd of human children who are constantly wavering between one idea and the other."

Hitler says: "The ability of the masses to learn is very restricted and their understanding is feeble. On the other hand, they quickly forget."

In another part of the book he puts it more simply: "The People," he says, "are a crowd of fools."

Does Hitler believe in educating the people so they won't be so dumb? His ideas on education are stated very clearly:

"Education for the people," says Hitler, "is the most biting and destructive poison that liberalism has ever invented for its own destruction."

Hitler says: "The State has to direct its entire education not at pumping knowledge into people, but at breeding absolutely healthy bodies. Of secondary importance is the training of the mind. But here again first of all comes the development of will power and determination. Only as the last thing comes scientific schooling."

"In the State, physical training is not the concern of the individual, and also not an affair that concerns primarily the parents of the community. It is a requirement of the self-preservation of the State. Just as the State steps in and subjects the child to compulsory schooling, thus, the State will some day enforce its authority against the ignorance of the stupid individual."

Talking about education, think over this Hitlerism:

Hitler says: "Self-confidence has to be instilled into the young fellow citizen from childhood on. His entire education and development has to be directed at giving him the conviction of being absolutely superior to others. With his physical force and skill he has again to win the belief that he is unbeatable. What once led the German army to victory was the confidence which everybody had in their leaders."

That brings Hitler to the Army!

Hitler says, "In the State, the army has to be looked upon as the pillar of patriotic education. Strengthened by the confidence in the army, the soldier has to be known to all expert liars is



So much for education. What does Hitler think of the Jews? Hitler's answer to that is I wished to I could destroy rotten and false. One push And what about the Prot Hitler says in Hitler Spe You can do anything you l worries. . . . They are sweat with embarrassment w



If Hitler thinks scientific people, what does he think comes pretty close to telling matter of lies. Hitler says the way to m The important thing, howev section in Mein Kampf, he lie, because the masses, in victims to the big lie than small lies in little matte It would never come into think anyone else could dist that a big lie is the opposit big lie always leaves traces is known to all expert liars is

The Fuehrer Confesses All

Mein Kampf

by Adolf Hitler

education of the boy, the State can also direct the view-point. Here, too, the main stress should be put on this on the promotion of spiritual and, last of all, of female education has invariably to be the future

that all boys are to be trained to be good, big strong to do what they are told by the State, and educated as of their own. The girls are to have little education more cannon fodder. The whole enterprise is to people trained to arms and prepared to conquer the

er on the Master Race

to do with the idea of the master race—a race made in connection with languages and not with blood. But fair-haired, light-skinned, blue-eyed Nordic people— the word Aryan as a slogan in his campaign they are superior to "mongrel" nations. He claims Aryan" race:

that the first cultures originated in those places where peoples, subdued them and made them subject to his instrument in the service of a growing culture."

pire on this earth—science and art, techniques and product of a few peoples and perhaps originally the existence of all culture. If the Aryans perish, it is into the grave with them."

and should not mix with other people. The German says:

ring of racial level caused by it, it the sole cause. People do not perish by lost wars, but by the loss of only in pure blood."

all of names in any platoon in the U.S. Army, one, too: world is trash."

dishonest, low-down and bad. But there's no such thing as a free lunch."

lowed with this glorious, creatively active ability." and to go was clearly lined out. As a conqueror he then he regulated their practical ability according while he thus led them towards a useful, though hard lives of the subjected, but perhaps he even gave them of their former so-called 'freedom.' As long as he standpoint, he not only really remained 'master' but of culture."

Hitler on Religion

for the masses? We know pretty well what Hitler that does he think about Catholics? in the book Hitler Speaks: "I promise you that if Catholic Church in a few years; it is hollow and the whole structure would collapse."

"They haven't the faintest conception of a Church. to them—they will submit. They're used to cares and significant little people, submissive as dogs and they you talk to them."

Hitler on Lies

ation is no good for people and religion is no good for god for them? There is a section in Mein Kampf that Hitler's answer to this question. In it, Hitler discusses the

people do what you want them to is to tell them lies. to the size of the lie. Getting back to this particular "The big lie is always more believable than the little primitive simplicity of their minds, more readily fall tell lie. This is so because they themselves often tell but would be ashamed to tell large-scale lies. heads to tell great big lies, and they therefore don't the facts in a really big way. You can prove to them the truth, and they will still believe it. For the really it, even after it has been proved false, a fact which world, and to all who conspire together in the art of

Kampf—by Adolf Hitler. With these ideas in mind. started to tell some terrific whoppers. One of these



Hitler on World Dominion

Up to July, 1942, the scheme was as successful as it was cold-blooded and brutal. Hitler's larger vision of world rule seemed almost within his grasp. By July, 1942, the German armies were in front of Leningrad, Moscow, Stalingrad and in the Caucasus. In North Africa they were within a few miles of Alexandria. And in the Pacific Hitler's ally, Japan, had the Philippines, Wake, Guam, all the Dutch colonies and some of the British possessions. Hitler's Europe and Tojo's Far East would face Great Britain and the U.S. alone.

From that time on Hitler's intuition has not been so good. But Hitler and his followers still believe that they are destined to rule the world and the way to world domination is by war—constant war and preparation for war.

Here is the gospel as he wrote it. "Nazism must remain conscious that we are obligated to a high duty as guardians of the highest human race on earth."

"The political testament of the German nation for its dealings with the outside world should, and must always be: Never let there be two great powers in Europe. See an attack on Germany in any attempt to build a military power on the frontiers of Germany. Regard it not only a right, but a duty to prevent the establishment of such a State by all means, including war, or, in the event that such a State be already founded, to repress it."

Hitler said: "Only the urge for self-preservation will succeed in the long run. Under its pressure so-called 'humanity' as the expression of a mixture of stupidity, cowardice and an imaginary superior mind will melt like snow under the March sun. Mankind has grown strong by forever fighting, and it will only die through eternal peace."

Hitler said: "If a nation gives up in its struggle for the rights of mankind, then it probably didn't deserve the good fortune of being allowed to continue on this mortal globe. For if a man is not ready or able to fight for his existence, righteous Providence has already decreed his doom."

Hitler said: "The world is not intended for cowardly nations." "The question of regaining Germany's power is not, perhaps, how can we manufacture arms? But how can we produce that spirit which enables a people to bear arms? Once this spirit dominates a people, the will finds a thousand ways, each of which ends with arms."

Hitler said: "... At all times the driving force of the most important changes in this world has been found less in scientific knowledge, but rather in a fanaticism dominating the masses and in a hysteria which drove them forward."

This is the kind of thing that has been fed the German soldier at home, in school, in the Youth Movement, in the Army. This is the kind of thing he believes—that he is a superior being. That he belongs to the one nation of real men. That it is his mission in life to beat the soft-minded and soft-bodied and half-civilized people that clutter up the rest of the world and place the Germans as overlords of the world.



Hitler on Democracy

Now let's see what Hitler thinks of Democracy. "There is no principle that is as wrong as government by the people. The Democratic system is opposed by the true German democracy of the free choice of a leader. The Fuehrer takes over all responsibility for what he does or does not do. There will be no voting by a majority on single questions, but only the decision of the man who backs it with his life and all he has.

"If the objection were raised that no one could be found ready to devote himself to the dangerous task of being the leader, there can be one reply:

"God be thanked, this is just the meaning of German democracy, that no unworthy climber or moral shirker can come in the back way to rule his fellow citizens. The greatness of the position to be assumed will discourage incompetents and weaklings.

"But should such a fellow try to sneak in, then he will be easily found out and ruthlessly kicked out. Out with you, cowardly wretch! Step back, you are soiling the steps; the front stairs leading to the Pantheon of History is not for sneaks but for heroes."

The heroes selected to walk up the stairs of the Pantheon of History are named by Hitler in a statement he made when Germany attacked Poland.

"Should anything happen to me in the struggle, then my first successor is Party Comrade Goring. Should anything happen to Party Comrade Goring, my next successor is Party Comrade Hess. You would then be under obligation to give to them as Fuehrer the same blind loyalty and obedience as to myself. Should anything happen to Party Comrade Hess, then by law the Senate will be called, and will choose from its midst the most worthy—that is to say the bravest—successor."

Having this kind of one man government, what are the people supposed to do? They are supposed to do as they are told—with fanatical zeal.



Hitler on Boundaries

What was Hitler's program to which they were to give blind loyalty and obedience? It was first to push out the boundaries of Germany to take in all nearby Germans, whether they wanted to come in or not, or whether that meant taking territory from other nations or not. In this process he took Austria, Czechoslovakia, and attacked Poland. And then, if there are too many Germans, it is all right to take more territory. As he says in Mein Kampf: "The German nation should include all Germans, not only for the purpose of collecting the most valuable racial stock and preserving it, but also to lead them gradually and safely to a dominating position."

"The size of a nation's territory," Hitler continues in Mein Kampf, "affects its security. The greater the amount of room a people has, the greater is also its natural protection. Military victories over nations crowded in small territories have always been quicker and easier than over larger states. The bigger the country therefore, the more protection it has against attack."

In other words, the smaller the victim, the better the chances of licking him. It also helps to pick the victims off one at a time. In Hitler's mind, this grabbing of territory is not merely a right of the Germans—it is a duty. He puts it this way:

"We National Socialists (Nazis) must go further," he says. "The right to territory can become a duty if decline seems to be in store for a great nation unless it extends its territory. Especially if what is involved is not some little Negro people or other, but the German mother of all life, which has given its culture to the world." "Germany," says Hitler, "will either be a world power or will not be at all." Then he continues: "We Nazis must cling unflinchingly to our foreign-policy aim—to guarantee the German nation the territory to which it is entitled on this earth!"

"Just as our forefathers did not get the land on which we are living today as a gift from Heaven, but had to conquer it by risking their lives, so only the might of a triumphant sword will in the future give us territory, and with it life for our nation."

Those are Hitler's own words. The German people believed him and prepared to help him make his words good. But to the rest of us it all seemed like a madman's ravings. Some of us even thought it was funny. None of us lifted a finger to stop Hitler and the Germans from doing this thing he said he'd do in Mein Kampf.

Now let's dig into Mein Kampf again and see what some of Hitler's other plans were.



Spring and Summer Styles

A CANDID GLIMPSE INTO THE "SUPERMAN'S" WARDROBE

= CAN YOU PICK OUT THE ENEMY? =



(Figures (left to right) a Nazi, a German, a Joe, a dogface.)



FOUR JOES look over Nazi uniforms, above, in sketch by Sgt. C. D. Swan. Most ground force men wear field grey togs. Branch is identified by colored shoulder strap piping: White for Infantry, Black for Engineers, Lemon Yellow for Signals, Red for Artillery, Pink for Panzer Men, Grass Green for Armored Infantry. Tankmen wear all black, Luftwaffe uniforms are blue-grey.

The shoulder strap tells you many things

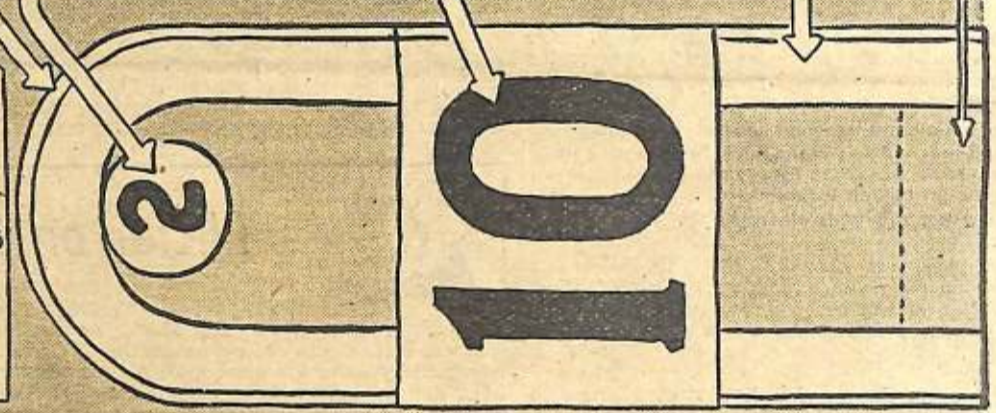
PIPING ON OUTER EDGE GIVES THE BRANCH OF SERV. DIFFERENT COLORS FOR EACH BRANCH

NUMBER ON BUTTON GIVES THE SOLDIER'S COMPANY NUMBER

NUMBER ON TAB GIVES THE REGT. TAB IS REPLACED WHEN SOLDIER TRANSFERS TO ANOTHER REGT.

SILVER OR LIGHT GREY TAPE MEANS THAT THE SOLDIER IS A SGT. - TAPE ADDED TO OPEN END IS FOR RANKS ABOVE AND INCLUDING STAFF SGT.

PIPS PLUS THE TAPE ARE ADDED FOR THE FOLLOWING GRADES:
1ST SGT. (ONE PIP)
M/SGT (TWO ")
W.O. (THREE ")



Listen! Wine Safer Drink Than Water

YES, boys, it's true. Wine is better than water! That's not the old pub-crawler croaking. That is straight dope from the fighting fronts of Italy. The water of Europe is polluted. It never was much good and now, filthy-ridden by the ravages of war, it is often deadly. Traditional solution to the problem, the one adopted by Frenchmen and other Europeans, was to drink wine and beer. Yanks in Italy, where the water isn't so pure either, began drinking wine too—with salutary results. "Jeez, this water—you can't swallow the stuff," an infantry corporal in Italy said. "But the wine—that's not bad when you can get it. The medics say it's all right, too." Asked to confirm this statement, the local Office of the Chief Surgeon for Preventative Medicine told Warweek: "Considering the widespread pollution of water on the Continent, it is readily understandable why Europeans usually drink wine in preference to water." There you are, Jackson. Hardly an official indorsement of drunkenness, but if you can't figure it out you had better go thirsty when the invasion starts. One warning: Taken straight, *vin ordinaire* (plain red wine to you) may give you the Chinese trots—not to mention the hangover. Mix one part wine with two parts water and you'll be okay. However, pleasant as you may find Bacchannalian refreshment, there will be plenty of times during the Big Show when plain old aqua pura will be the only liquid available. In such circumstances, remember these pointers: Under no circumstances drink water from any source whatever until it has been chlorinated. Even if you are lucky enough to find the plumbing working in a house, don't fill your canteen at the tap. If you do, you are apt to wind up with cholera, typhoid fever, dysentery—or at least a bad dose of the GIs. Civilians may tell you the water is safe. Don't believe them. Drink only the water which is issued you from an



engineer water point or that which has been chlorinated by lister bag or canteen methods. The medics attached to your outfit can tell you all about it. One of the most important things you will have to learn is to get along on short water rations. Even under the most favorable conditions each man will only get two quarts a day during the first two days of assault. That is all you will get. Don't waste it.



If your outfit happens to be stuck out by itself, the Engineers may not be able to send you any water at all. Under such circumstances you can purify your own water by lister bag or canteen methods—unless chemical warfare gases have been used. Every medical officer is equipped to test the purity of water. Don't take a chance; it's better to go thirsty for awhile than to die.

Herman the GI German Use Him for Dartboard

WARWEEK'S Pinup Boy on the first page of this section is HERMAN THE GI GERMAN. You can use him as a dry run sighting target, as a dartboard, or to start a fire (if fires were allowed at this time of year).

In case you decide to use HERMAN as a dartboard, here's a score sheet for you. Each player gets only one dart—in combat one shot is all you could get off before HERMAN tossed his grenade. Circle your score.

- BULL—
He's Stiff .. (5) (5) (5)
- NEAR BULL—
He's Wounded (3) (3) (3)
- MAGGIE'S DRAWERS—
\$10,000 for your folks .. (0) (9) (0)



The Sergeant's Corner

WHEN the invasion is launched against Hitler's Fortress Europe, German soldiers will be only one of the enemies you will have to face. The other foe—in many ways more formidable than the Nazis—is Nature. Germans can be killed. The weather can't. But there are many things you can do to make life easier when living strictly in the open.

The following hints on life in a fox-hole were culled from the experience of thousands of Yanks who went through the fighting in Tunisia and Sicily. Taken alone, none of the ideas is of great importance, but when put together they become a pretty good handbook for living under battle conditions.

Read what the veterans suggest—and remember.

If you are stuck out in the field and don't have enough water to wash your mess kit, don't hesitate to scour out the pan with dirt or sand. In spite of its name, dirt is not really very dirty. Soil won't breed germs—but any food which you leave on your mess kit will.

Here's a fact that may surprise you. During the fighting in North Africa, Sicily and Italy the only aspect of personal cleanliness which interested the boys was brushing their teeth. It didn't bother them if they couldn't shave or wash so long as they could give their mouths the one-two.

This supports what your dentist has been telling you ever since you hit the ETO: The best protection against trench mouth is regular cleaning of teeth.

If you lose your tooth brush, your finger makes a fairly good substitute. A clean handkerchief is not too bad, either.

Does cleaning a rifle give you a pain in the neck? Here's a tip from the civilian rifle shooters who used to go to the National Rifle Matches at Camp Perry, Ohio, every September. Lay a flannel patch across your fingers and roll it over the pull-through brush—like rolling a cigarette. It will just fit the barrel without jamming and does a much better job that way than it will if you use the slotted brass gadget.

TEAMWORK, important in every military operation, is essential under combat conditions. There are dozens of ways a job can be made easier when everyone pulls together.

For example: Although you will want to keep your pack as light as possible, there will probably be a few non-T/O items you will want to take with you into the field. If all the men in your squad get together beforehand and divide up these items, you will avoid duplication and the weight will be distributed.

A hatchet is a handy gadget, but there isn't much reason for every man in a squad to carry one. Why not take one along for your entire squad—then let the other seven men carry other things which everyone can use? Instead of one man carrying eight extra pounds, let eight men carry an extra pound (and that doesn't mean money) apiece.

THIS is an old one, but it bears repeating. There is always some guy who feels the call of nature and hasn't any paper handy. The experience of the Yanks who have been doing the fighting thus far was that battle conditions did not cause constipation. Be smart. Stuff some "Government Property" in your pocket.

After riding English trains and staying in country hotels, however, you have probably already learned to do this.

A small ball of strong string or cord doesn't weigh anything and doesn't take up enough room in your pocket to notice—but it can be one of the most useful things in the world. Don't forget to take some along with you when you move out, Berlin-bound.

Sports SIDELIGHTS

The Cincinnati Reds have a Venezuelan outfielder who answers to Jesus Chuchito Ramos-Garcia, but he has shortened it to Chuchito Ramos to ease the strain on scorers.

Ollie Cordill, the former Rice football star who suffered a broken back when his B-26 crashed in Africa while returning from a mission, is going back into action. Discharged from the hospital, Ollie, now a captain, turned down a medical discharge and is going back as a transport pilot, since they won't let him back on the bombers.

One of the hottest debates going on now in baseball circles is the question of chain baseball. Most of the small league guys are against it, and even some of the major clubs that have farms are on record as saying that they don't like the setup. The minor league private owners say that chain ownership kills the game. But, when the farm system was started in 1920 there were 19 recognized minor leagues in operation. In 1940 just before the war started to cut them down, there were no less than 44 minor leagues running. That doesn't sound as though the chain idea was exactly ruining minor league sports.

When Manuel Otiz took on Tony Olvera recently it was the second time he had defended his bantamweight crown in three weeks. In his third meeting with Olvera since becoming champ Manuel made the count two decisions and a knockout with a unanimous nod in this last go.



Johnny Murphy

Even though they have lost most of the regulars off last year's team except Nick Eiten, the Yankees think that the man whose loss will hurt them most is old Johnny "Grandma" Murphy, their star relief hurler. Johnny has been "the difference" for the Yanks for several years and is most often coupled with Lefty Gomez jokes. In the spring of one of Gomez's last years with the Yanks, Lefty and Murphy reported together to say hello to Manager McCarthy. "Hope you're in good shape, Johnny," cracked Lefty. "I'd like to have a good year."

Williamsport, of the Eastern League, will get the surplus Latin talent pared from the Washington Senators when they cut the roster. The eastern crew is going to be in bad shape for an interpreter, as not one of Clark Griffith's new imports speaks English.

The rise of Juan Zurita, the Mexican, to a place as NBA lightweight champ brings up the subject of other great Mexican fighters. Perhaps the best of them all was Aurelio "Ironman" Herrera, who was easily the hardest puncher ever to come up from South of the Border. The Ironman once stopped two men in Chicago on the same night and actually in between drinks. He kayaked Kid Abel, drank a bottle of beer, climbed back in the ring and coldcocked Kid Farmer in 40 seconds. Herrera was one of those seldom-seen guys who could kill with one punch.



Purdue Welcomes Back Isbell, This Time as Head Grid Coach

LAFAYETTE, Ind., May 17—Cecil Isbell, who gained fame as a forward passer at Purdue University and later with the Green Bay Packers of the National (pro) Football League, will return to the Boilermaker campus this fall as head football coach. Athletic Director Guy Mackey announced today.

Isbell, a native of Houston, Tex., succeeds Elmer Burnham, who resigned last week to accept the head coaching post at the University of Rochester (N.Y.). Isbell helped Burnham as backfield coach of the Purdue squad which went through last season undefeated.

Isbell started his collegiate grid career in 1935 and was one of the greatest passing stars in Big Ten history. A shoulder injury almost ended his playing, but doctors chained it together and he continued with the same brilliance.

He joined the Packers in 1938 and formed the deadliest passer-receiver combination in the business with Don Hutson on the catching end, at least until Sammy Baugh and Sid Luckman started throwing touchdown strikes all over the gridiron. Some observers still think the Isbell-Hutson parley was more formidable than anything Baugh and Luckman had to offer.

Bill Hulse Makes Last Bid As Civilian on June 20

PASSAIC, N.J., May 17—Bill Hulse, America's fastest outdoor miler, will make his last civilian appearance at the Pope Pius high school track and field carnival here June 20, eight days before he reports for active naval duty.

Last summer Hulse was clocked over the mile course in 4:06 when he finished second to Gunder Haegg.

LA Links Club Destroyed
LOS ANGELES, May 17—The Midweek Country Club, once one of the nation's most exclusive golfing spas built at a cost of \$500,000, has been destroyed by fire.

Minor League Results

International League			
Baltimore 11, Montreal 10	Other games postponed.		
W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
Brooklyner 14 5 .737	Montreal 8 10 .444	Jersey City 8 10 .375	Baltimore 6 10 .300
Toronto 9 7 .563	Syracuse 9 7 .563	Newark 6 14 .300	
Eastern League			
Scranton 8, Utica 6	Other games postponed.		
W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
Wilkes-Barre 10 4 .714	Utica 6 7 .462	Williamsport 6 8 .429	Albany 4 8 .333
Elmira 8 4 .667	Binghamton 4 8 .333	Scranton 4 11 .267	

American Association			
Columbus 5, Minneapolis 3	Toledo 6, St. Paul 1	Indianapolis 6, Kansas City 4	Other game postponed.
W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
Milwaukee 20 3 .870	Minneapolis 10 12 .455	Columbus 15 9 .625	Kansas City 8 12 .400
St. Paul 9 7 .563	Louisville 8 14 .333	Toledo 11 12 .478	Indianapolis 6 17 .261
Southern Association			
Nashville 6, Birmingham 4	New Orleans 8, Knoxville 6	Memphis 15, Chattanooga 2	Little Rock 16, Atlanta 12
W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
Birmingham 13 6 .684	Memphis 10 9 .526	Atlanta 10 7 .588	Knoxville 8 8 .500
Little Rock 10 7 .588	Chattanooga 5 12 .294	Little Rock 9 8 .529	N. Orleans 4 12 .250
Pacific Coast League			
Sacramento 4, Seattle 3	San Francisco 4, Hollywood 2	San Diego 7, Portland 1	Other game postponed.
W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
Portland 24 14 .632	Hollywood 18 20 .474	San Francisco 22 15 .595	Los Angeles 17 19 .472
Seattle 21 17 .553	Oakland 15 21 .417	San Diego 21 19 .525	Sacramento 10 24 .294

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Found

BROWN and white collie with chain collar at Red Cross Rainbow Corner, London. He must belong to some GI because he sniffs and yelps at all less in khaki that come in but won't have anything to do with the civilian Red Cross workers. OVERCOAT in taxi. London, Saturday, May 13; belongs to Sgt. Oscar Furd—Richard Collins, ARC Headquarters, London.

Chisox Slap Yanks, 10-4, Snap Borowy's Streak

Phillie-Card Game to Be Finished at Later Date After Redbirds Lag at End of 7th; Cubs Edge Dodgers, 7-6; Braves Blank Reds

NEW YORK, May 17—The major league clubs aren't taking any chances with wartime transportation delays, so the Phillies and Cardinals will have to finish last night's game at a future date.

The Phils packed up and grabbed a train for Cincinnati last night at the end of the seventh inning, at which time they headed the Redbirds, 6-4. However, Ford Frick, league prexy, ruled the game must be completed the next time Philadelphia visits St. Louis, with the same lineups and pitchers, if possible. The Phils chased Max Lanier in the fourth when they opened a 4-1 lead and Ron Northey's homer in the fifth scored the other two. Charlie Schanz was on the mound for the Phils.

The Braves rebounded from Monday's no-hitter at the hands of Clyde Shoun to blank the Reds, 1-0, in a morning game. The Braves tallied the contest's lone run in the second when Charlie Phillips touched Ed Heusser for singles. Heusser, the loser, hurled eight frames before giving way to Bob Ferguson, while Nate Andrews, the victor, departed in favor of Al Javery in the ninth.

Nicholson's Double Counts

Bill Nicholson's ninth inning double scored Ival Goodman to give the lowly Cubs a 7-6 triumph over the Dodgers at Chicago as the Bruins erased a 6-1 deficit in closing innings. The Cubs collected 11 hits off Curt Davis, including Nicholson's second homer of the year with the sacks empty in the second, and scored four in the sixth, one in the eighth and the clincher in the ninth. Hank Wyse relieved Paul Derringer in the seventh to earn the victory.

In the American League, the White Sox snapped Hank Borowy's 11-game winning streak extending over two seasons by subduing the Yankees, 10-4, at New York, aided by three Yankee miscues and a 15-hit barrage. Although tagged for 12 hits, including home runs by Rollie Hemsey and Bud Metheny, Bill Dietrich coasted to an easy win. Thurman Tucker led the Chisox with four bingles, drove in three runs and scored once himself.



Thurman Tucker

Nats Jump Tribe

The Senators, continuing their fabulous night record, jumped on Allie Reynolds for three runs in the first inning on five hits and two wild pitches to defeat the Indians, 3-2, at Washington. Mickey Haefner, the winner, was in trouble only once, in the fourth inning when Pat Seerey's single chased home Mickey Rocco and Manager Lou Boudreau. Steve Gromek relieved Reynolds after the damage was done in the opening frame and held the Nats scoreless the remainder of the way.

Cards to Lose Musial to Navy

ST. LOUIS, May 17—National League pitchers will be happy to learn that the St. Louis Cardinals soon will lose outfielders Stan Musial and Danny Litwhiler to the Navy. Litwhiler was accepted Apr. 18, while Musial's notice came back with the stamp of approval today.

When Musial, last year's batting champion and the league's most valuable player, departs, the Redbirds, will have only antiquated Pepper Martin, 4-F Gale Alan and Deb Garms to fill his shoes. Johnny Hopp, the other Cardinal outfielder, already has been rejected.



Stan Musial

Heir to Ebbets' Fortune Dies Penniless in N.Y.

NEW YORK, May 17—Charles H. Ebbets Jr., 65-year-old son of the founder of the Brooklyn Dodgers baseball club, was found dead Monday in his flat on upper Manhattan, penniless and alone after 19 years of trying to collect a share of his father's \$1,115,000 estate.

Young Charlie never shared his father's enthusiasm for baseball and resigned as club secretary in the '20s. When Ebbets Sr. died in 1925, he left his estate to 15 heirs, the principal ones being his widow, two daughters and Charlie, but the estate went into litigation almost immediately and still is tied up.

X-Rays Keep Bonham Secure in Yank Lineup

NEW YORK, May 17—Ernie Bonham, current mainstay of the New York Yankee pitching corps, has been classified 4-F after a study of X-ray plates taken at the time he suffered a back injury several years ago.

Bonham passed his physical in California Mar. 25, but asked for a review. When draft officials saw the X-rays they changed his classification.

Famed Kegler Dead

PHILADELPHIA, May 17—William J. Knox, famed bowler and instructor and the first man to bowl a perfect 300-game in the American Bowling Congress tourney, has died here.

Armstrong Easily Defeats Ralph Zanelli at Boston

BOSTON, May 17—Hammerin' Henry Armstrong, heading along his ump-tenth comeback trail, punched his way to an easy ten-round decision over Ralph Zanelli, of Providence, R.I., here last night in a bout billed as "for the duration welterweight championship." Welter king Freddie Cochrane is in the Navy.

About 6,000 fans saw Armstrong toy with Zanelli the first three rounds, then win as he pleased. It was Henry's third victory over the Providence scrapper.

Saltonstall Swings an Oar In Harvard Celebration

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 17—Governor Leverett Saltonstall of Massachusetts, looking trim in rowing togs, stepped into a shell and rowed as bow-man of an eight-oared crew in a half-mile exhibition marking the reunion of the Harvard crew which won the Grand Challenge Cup in the Henley Regatta on Britain's Thames 30 years ago.

Li'l Abner



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Chinese Cut Off Japs in Burma; Push Offensive

Mogaung Valley Garrison Surrounded; Rail Line Retaken in China

Fresh Chinese successes were announced yesterday on three far-flung fighting fronts.

—Chinese troops under Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell in northern Burma swooped through the jungle to the rear of Malakawng, Japanese strongpoint in the Mogaung valley, where a stubborn garrison has held up the Ledo road advance for two weeks. This completed an encirclement of the foe on three sides; on the fourth is the wide Mogaung River.

2—The strong Chinese forces driving westward from the Salween River at the Burma-China border on a 150-mile front to join up with Stilwell broke through the strategic Maimen Pass 40 miles northeast of Tengchung, Japanese nerve center on the road to Bhamo. The pass is a jagged slit between 11,000-foot high mountains in some of the wildest country in the world. South of there other strategic points were taken.

3—Over in central China, the forces counter-attacking along the Peiping-Hankow railroad in Honan province re-occupied the 22-mile stretch of the line between Kioban and Mingking from which the Japs drove them last week. This was accomplished by taking Chumalien, 50 miles north of Sinyang, following the capture of Suiping to the north.

Meanwhile the Chinese reported furious fighting both inside and outside the walled city of Loyal, indicating that the Japanese had regained a foothold within the town, which is an important railroad gateway to the west. Heavy street fighting was reported.

The U.S. 14th Air Force continued to support both the Salween River and the Stilwell offensives, and Allied planes also were active on the latter front.

In Chungking, K. C. Wu, vice-minister of foreign affairs, told a press conference that the latest Chinese drive was a factual rebuttal of charges that China was lagging in her war effort. He declared that if the Chinese from Yunnan province could effect a junction with Stilwell's forces "the Burma road will be reopened and a great deal done to relieve the economic situation of China."

N. Guinea Blitz On for 3rd Day

American aircraft have smashed at the Wadke-Sarmi area in northwest New Guinea for the third straight day and bombed Jaluit in the mid-Pacific Marshall Islands, yesterday's communique reported.

Another 200 tons of explosives were dropped on targets in Wadke, making it 700 tons in 72 hours. At Jaluit, 240 tons were let loose in what was hailed as the beginning of an attempt to eliminate enemy garrisons still in the eastern Marshalls.

U.S. planes ran into sharp enemy opposition while raiding the Schouten Islands, 260 miles from Hollandia, shooting down five of 20 Jap interceptors. Rabaul also received its daily pounding, while other planes ranged far to the northwest to hit Woleai in the Carolines.

Commerce Head Moscow-Bound

WASHINGTON, May 17—Eric Johnston, president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, is en route to Moscow to investigate the possibility of operating private air lines between the U.S. and Soviet Russia.

Trapped Miners Rescued

LYNCH, Ky., May 17—Fourteen miners, trapped for five hours in a coal pit by high water, were rescued uninjured. Ben Mills, a mine official, was credited with leading the men to safety through roundabout channels.

AFN Radio Program

- On Your Dial: 1175 kc., 1402 kc., 1411 kc., 1420 kc., 1447 kc., 218.1m., 213.9m., 212.6m., 211.3m., 207.3m.
- Thursday, May 18
- 1180—Spotlight on Andy Kirk.
- 1175—Personal Album with Lynn Martin.
- 1130—The King's Own Scottish Borders (BBC).
- 1260—Noon Edition.
- 1285—Musette Bag.
- 1300—World News (BBC).
- 1310—Melody Roundup.
- 1330—Jubilee—(Return Engagement).
- 1400—News Headlines—London Studio Players (BBC).
- 1430—Visiting Hour—Hospital Theater.
- 1500—Music While You Work (BBC).
- 1530—On the Record.
- 1630—Music We Love—Richard Crooks and Alfred Wollenstein's Orchestra.
- 1700—London Column.
- 1715—Miss Parade.
- 1725—French Lesson.
- 1740—Harry Frier Orchestra (BBC) and Program Return.
- 1800—World News (BBC).
- 1810—GI Supper Club.
- 1900—Seven O'Clock Sports—Latest sports news by Corporal Johnny Vrotos.
- 1905—Symphony Hall—Boston Symphony Orchestra.
- 2000—News from Home—Night's roundup of news from the U.S.A.
- 2010—Fred Waring Program.
- 2025—Calling APOs.
- 2030—Blue Crossy Music Hall.
- 2100—World News (BBC).
- 2115—Mail Call.
- 2145—OBD in the BTO—with Jimmy Trotton.
- 2200—Comedy Caravan—with Jimmy "Schnozzle" Fiorante and Gary Moore.
- 2225—One Night Stand with Harry James.
- 2235—Final Edition.
- 2300—Sign off until 1300 hours, Friday, May 19.

Nazis Sweating to Jam ABSIE Off Air Waves

ABSIE, the new American Broadcasting Station in Europe, designed to send American news and entertainment features to the Continent in the van of invasion armies, is receiving the full-time attention of German jamming machines, according to a station official.

While jamming hinders efficiency, OWI officials take it as proof that the station is getting a big audience.

For the first few days, the official said, the Germans took their jamming machines off BBC and devoted full time to the American station. They are still jamming ABSIE heavily, and OWI said a survey was being made to see how effective it is.

Downey Named By Democrats

California Senator Fails, However, in Bid for GOP Senatorial Nomination

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17 (AP)—Sen. Sheridan Downey won renomination in California's Democratic primary, returns showed today, but he failed in a bid to capture the Republican nomination as well.

Frederick F. Houser, 40-year-old lieutenant governor, will oppose Downey as the Republican senatorial nominee in the November election.

In the Democratic primary, returns from 6,025 of 14,683 precincts gave Downey 178,500 votes and Houser 48,934. In the Republican race, 6,443 precincts showed Houser 94,258 and Downey 43,579, with four other candidates far behind.

Air War Lull In Second Day

The great Allied pre-invasion offensive against the Continent was interrupted for the second straight day yesterday as U.S. bombers were grounded after a night attack on Berlin by RAF Mosquitoes.

After a day in which not one American plane took off to strike Hitler's coastal defenses or other vital targets in the occupied countries or Germany, Mosquitoes Tuesday night battered targets in the Reich capital.

The speedy wooden craft, which sometimes attack in forces of 50 to 60 carrying 2,000- and 4,000-pound bombs, returned without loss.

Jury Sworn to Try 30 On Sedition Charges

WASHINGTON, May 17—A jury of ten men and two women was sworn in to try 30 persons accused of conspiring to establish a Nazi form of government in the U.S.

Earlier, Ernest F. Elmhurst, of New York, one of the defendants, filed a \$100,000 suit against his lawyer and two federal prosecutors, claiming the existence of "an unhealthy alliance" between them to exchange information during the trial.

Another defendant, Lawrence Dennis, also of New York, filed a petition alleging that three of his co-defendants were insane or of unsound mind and asking that they be tried separately.

Communists Will Back FDR, New Yorker Says

NEW YORK, May 17—Israel Amter, state chairman of the Communist Party, said Monday the Communists would support President Roosevelt for re-election "as the surest way to bring together all forces for winning the war."

In the keynote speech at the state Communist convention, Amter declared that Gov. Thomas E. Dewey "clearly shows his ethical and moral unfitness, his intellectual inadequacy and his political irresponsibility."

George Ade, Writer, Dead

KENTLAND, Ind., May 17—George Ade, former journalist and author of 30 novels and plays, died here today. He was 78.

Terry and the Pirates



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Germans Captured at Anzio



An American military policeman leads German soldiers to a prisoner-of-war stockade somewhere behind the front at Anzio in western Italy. The Germans were captured by an American-Canadian raiding party during a pre-dawn mission.

Gets Silver Star For Trying Rescue Behind Foe's Lines

NINTH TROOP CARRIER COMMAND HQ, May 17—The first Silver Star awarded in this command in the ETO has been presented to T/Sgt. Leslie Spellmon, of Camas, Mont., who braved enemy machine-gun fire during the Sicilian invasion and re-entered his blazing transport plane in a search for his crew mates.

Presentation of the Army's third highest award was made by Brig. Gen. Paul L. Williams, commander of Ninth Troop Carrier Command, who led the airborne movement spearheading the invasion.

Severely damaged by flak, Spellmon's plane landed in enemy territory after dropping paratroopers behind the German lines.

Soon the burning C47 became a brilliant target for intense Nazi machine-gun fire. Spellmon, the transport's crew chief, got out, then returned to make sure the pilot, co-pilot and a wounded paratrooper were safe.

A few minutes later U.S. troops overran the German lines and Spellmon rejoined his outfit.

Rotary Dinner June 24

The International Service Committee of the Rotary Club of London, at 41 Kingsway, W.C.2, will hold a second dinner for American Rotarians at the Rembrandt Hotel, Thurloe Pl., Kensington, S.W.7, Saturday, June 24, at 5.30 PM. Seating is limited to 75 persons, including London members who are hosts; the earliest application for tickets, at 10s. 6d., will be honored.

Blimp Crash Kills 10

PHILADELPHIA, May 17—Six officers and four enlisted men were killed yesterday when a U.S. Navy training blimp crashed into a hangar at Lakehurst, N.J. An eleventh crew member is in a critical condition.

Not 3, Not 2, But 1 Engine Brings Crippled Fort Home

A FORTRESS STATION, May 17—The crew of the Pegasus, a B17 named after the fabled winged horse, told today how their damaged ship covered the last 200-mile lap home to Britain on one engine Friday after attacking the synthetic oil plant at Brux, Czechoslovakia.

Nearing the home stretch on its 32nd mission, the Pegasus had two engines knocked out by spitting cannon and machine-gun fire over France.

Blinded by the spray of oil on the windshield, 2/Lt. Clair E. Wyrick, of Alvordton, Ohio, jockeyed the Fort out of formation and headed alone for his base. Then, flying at 12,000 feet, the No. 3 engine ran out of gas when the ship was 200 miles from home.

Working frantically while rapidly losing altitude, Wyrick tried to transfer gas from his useless left side to the right tank, but

discovered that the Nazi fighters had drilled the fuel lines.

In an effort to lighten the ship, crewmen tossed almost everything portable overboard but retained several of the guns as a safeguard against sneak attacks.

Just when it looked as if the flying horse was about to give up, the English coast slipped by and Wyrick landed on an RAF field.

Other members of the crew are: Sgt. Willard C. Dale Jr., tail gunner, Sanborn, N.Y.; Sgt. Frankie Loscalzo, ball turret gunner, San Jose, Cal.; S/Sgt. Lee E. Garner, left waist gunner, Greenville, S.C.; Sgt. Carl J. Woodward, right waist gunner, Cullman, Ala.; S/Sgt. Abner C. Barfield Jr., radio operator-gunner, Kenly, N.C.; S/Sgt. Kenneth C. Bennett, top turret gunner, Harriman, N.Y.; 2/Lt. Hollie G. Flippen Jr., bombardier, Detroit, Mich., and 2/Lt. Alois T. Braje, navigator, Chicago.

One Fort Bombs 2nd, Latter Flies The Missile Home

A FORTRESS BASE, May 17—Taking evasive action from flak over airfields at Laon, in northern France, the Fort commanded by 1/Lt. Burdette L. Williams, of Tampa, Fla., ran into the path of a bomb on its way down from a Fort in a higher formation.

The bomb crashed into the tail section, pinning the tail-gunner in his position, and defied all efforts on the part of the crew to dislodge it. The plane rocked and reeled, but the crew decided to attempt the return trip. On their arrival back at the field they circled until all the other planes had landed. Then, gingerly, Williams let his ship down.

An ordnance crew headed by T/Sgt. Charles H. James, of Douglasville, Ga., removed the bomb. The tail-gunner died later in hospital.

"When we examined the bomb later," said top-turret gunner, S/Sgt. Gordon L. Tricker, of Salem, Ore., "we saw that the vanes were intact, and we'd actually been in little danger of its exploding."

Soviet Bombers Hit at Polotsk

Soviet night bombers, continuing their campaign to soften up enemy bases for the summer offensive, struck a crippling blow Monday against the railway junction at Polotsk, through which supplies for the Vitebsk front must pass, the Russians revealed yesterday.

They said military trains and stores were bombed and strafed and huge fires left burning.

At the same time the Germans reported strong bomber formations attacked Russian positions at Pskov, on the northern front, and Ostrov, some 30 miles to the south.

NEWS FROM HOME

Navy Has 1,200 Fighting Craft, Ship Head Says

185 Delivered During First Four Months of 1944, Manufacturers Told

LOS ANGELES, May 17—The U.S. Navy now includes 1,200 fighting ships and 43,000 supporting vessels, Rear Adm. E. L. Cochrane, chief of the Bureau of Ships, told the National Association of Manufacturers in a speech here.

Cochrane added that during the first four months of this year at least 185 combat ships and 15,000 auxiliary craft with a combined tonnage of nearly 1,500,000 were delivered. Over 100 carriers have been added since January, 1943.

More than 41,000 ships, representing 3,500,000 tons, are to be completed this year, Cochrane said. With the assistance of the Maritime Commission, the Navy also plans to convert some 660 merchant ships into naval vessels.

Back in Good Graces

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., May 17—The Rev. Fr. Stanislaw Orlemanski's priestly privileges were restored yesterday following a "promise to cease and separate myself from all activities not in accord with the rule and mind of the Catholic church." He was suspended last week after making an unauthorized trip to Moscow.

Wrote Dr. Kildare Series

HOLLYWOOD, May 17—Frederick Faust, American war correspondent killed on the first night of the new offensive in Italy, was the creator of the "Dr. Kildare" film series starring Lew Ayres and Lionel Barrymore. Faust wrote under the pen name of Max Brand.

National Maritime Day Set

WASHINGTON, May 17—Governors of several states have joined President Roosevelt in proclaiming May 22 as National Maritime Day in memory of the 5,000 men of the U.S. Merchant Marine who have lost their lives in the war.

Green Defends Strike Record

TOLEDO, Ohio, May 17—William Green, president of the AFL, told an audience here his organization had kept its no-strike pledge 99 per cent. The few wildcat strikes that have occurred have not interfered with war production, he added.

Give Up Citizenship

NEW YORK, May 17—Declaring that they still loved Hitler, William Siebert and his wife Meta relinquished their U.S. citizenship in federal court. They became liable to arrest and internment as enemy aliens and possible deportation after the war.

Sees an Exhausted Britain

SALT LAKE CITY, May 17—Britain will emerge economically exhausted from the war, while the U.S. will have a highly-developed industry, Lord Halifax, British ambassador to the U.S. said Monday.

Indiana Bishop Dead

MISHAWAKA, Ind., May 17—The Rt. Rev. Campbell Gray, bishop of Northern Indiana since 1925, died today. He was 65.

Glider Pilot -

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didn't have enough mechanics. Otherwise the operation never would have been possible."

Two weeks before he was killed in a plane crash, the legendary Maj. Gen. Orde C. Wingate crawled into a foxhole alongside Taylor to say: "I thank your glider pilots from the bottom of my heart. Without them we never could have been successful. Their skill and courage carried us through."

Covering 255 air miles over a 7,000-foot range of mountains, the gliders hauled approximately 2,000 mules in bamboo stalls, as well as graders, jeeps, tractors, artillery, collapsible motor-boats with outboard motors and countless additional equipment.

Other gliders were rigged up as radio stations and complete dispensaries. These simply began operating as such from the moment of landing.

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