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Nazi Attacks Taper Off in Aachen Area; 1,300 U.S. Heavies Again Raid Cologne

Formosa, Manila Hit: Japs Flee

Superfortresses bombed Formosa yesterday for the third time in four days and carrier planes again raided the Manila area-both with virtual impunity as American sea-air forces apparently gained a scissors grip on Japan's innermost lifeline between her home islands and her raw-material con-quests to the south and west.

And while the combined might of the

And while the combined might of the 20th Bomber Command and the Third Fleet stood athwart Japan's communications lines in the China Sea, the U.S. 14th Air Force struck from China at enemy shipping fleeing the area. Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault's bombers sank a Nateri class cruiser, scored a direct hit on a destroyer and sent more than 32,000 tons of shipping to the bottom definitely and another 16,000 tons probably.

No Jap Challenge

There was no serious challenge to the Superforts and the Navy planes. Jap land planes had no airstrips left on Formosa. Jap carriers remained in hiding.

The Japanese fleet did appear in For-mosa waters, as Tokyo had announced

mosa waters, as Tokyo had announced, "but on discovering our fighting strength unimpaired, have avoided action and withdrawn to their bases," Adm. Chester W. Nimitz' communique said.

The fantastic Tokyo claims of a "great victory" which were celebrated throughout Japan—11 U.S. carriers destroyed (three more since Monday's boast) and many other warships sunk—were completely false.

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U.S. damage was confined to "two medium ships," interpreted to mean cruisers or destroyers, which Nimitz said were hit by aircraft torpedoes and were withdrawing. 'Nimitz added that in all the actions at the Ryukyu Islands, Formos and the Philippines "there has been no damage of consequence to our battle-ships or carriers." ships or carriers

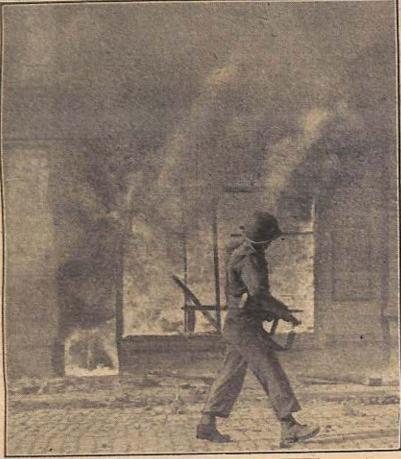
'100 Planes a Day'

Nimitz said in a broadcast that 73 enemy ships and 670 aircraft had been destroyed since Oct. 9 and "our average now is the destruction of 100 aircraft and 10 ships per day.

This statement preceded Nimitz' lates This statement preceded Nimitz' latest communique, reporting destruction of 164 Jap planes in three days of the Formosa-Philippines actions. This and other reports brought the total of enemy planes destroyed by planes and ships of the Third Fleet in the Ryukyu, Formosa and Luzon strikes to between 828 and 843.

One B29 was lost in the first two Formosa missions. Details of yesterday's raid were not announced immediately. Meanwhile, Gen. MacArthur reported another raid by U.S. bombers on the important Borneo oil center of Balikpapan.





Rifle at the ready, a First Army doughboy crunches cautiously through the debris of an Aachen street, passing through the heat blasts from a building blazing after bombardment.

Nazis 5 Miles From 'America'-in Holland

WITH U.S. TROOPS ON THE BRITISH FRONT IN HOLLAND, Oct. 17 (AP)—American troops were fighting yesterday less than five miles from America.

This "America" is only a pin-point on the map of Holland, but it's a glow-ing incentive to the soldiers who have been slogging through France, Belgium

The village is about six miles south of Venray on the Meuse River front.

"When we first arrived in this sector we had an awful scare," said Capt. Morris Sorenson, "Dutch civilians told us that German troops were 'arriving in America." Looking at a detailed map, there it was—America, Holland."

5th Half Mile Nearer Bologna

ALLIED MEDITERRANEAN HQ. Oct. 17 (Reuter)-American troops of the Fifth Army, fighting along the main road from Florence to Bologna, have gained up to 1,000 yards "against desperate resistance" following the capture of Livergnano, ten miles south of

In the Adriatic sector, dominion troops of the Eighth Army, after capturing Gambettola, advanced on a broad front north of the Rimini-Bologna road. South of this road British troops made good progress, approaching the Savio River and the town of Cesena.

Snow in N.Y.

LAKE PLACID, N.Y., Oct. 17 (ANS) The East had its first snow of the season yesterday, a temperature drop to 30 degrees accompanying a two-inch fall.

Aachen Quits Playing Pinball

By Russ Jones

INSIDE AACHEN, Oct. 17—By each foot of ground advanced, and each house occupied. American infrattures

occupied, American infantrymen are slowly strangling this city. Frontline doughboys are completely confident of their ability to throttle Aachen and kill or capture the Nazis in it.

One building, still a German strong-point, is steadily covered by infantrymen led by S/Sgt. Paul G. Bigley, of Wawa,

Last night the Nazis dragged a bazooka on to the roof. These doughfeet spotted them at dawn, killed the two-man crew, and shot the bazooka full of holes. The bodies of the Nazis are still on the roof-

Prominent among books displayed in one shop window was a German version of Sinclair Lewis's "Babbitt." One former building, now a shell, had in it a pinball machine, made in Chicago.

Jig Sprouts Jag Hangover

When the jubilant Hitler jigged at the signing of an armistice with beaten France in Compiegne Forest that June day in 1940, little did he foresée a day of reckoning four years hence, when American planes would rip apart those very woods where he fancied himself

Napoleon's rival.

For it was revealed yesterday that on Aug. 12 Eighth Air Force Thunderbolt fighter-bombers pounced on the railroad fighter-bombers pounced on the railroad yards of Compiegne, jampacked with Nazi trains, mostly troop carriers. That day, the freight office and 30 cars were smashed. An SS company waiting to go to the front took to the ditches.

Aug. 31, the P47s completed their mission, leaving a total of 150 cars stuck in the sidings. The German escape by train from the woods of Compiegne had been frustrated.

Yank's Hot Spell in Aachen Rhine City Reels Under 10,000 Tons Of Bombs in a Week

German tank and infantry counter-attacks tapered off yesterday in the Aachen area after a record enemy artillery attack Monday night, while 1,300 British-based Forts and Liberators, attempting to ease ground-force problems by shattering the Nazis' chief supply base for their forces near Aachen, struck again yesterday at Cologne, 40 miles to the east.

For Cologne, focal point of road, rail and river traffic used to defend the threatened Rhineland, it was the third big raid in four days. Yesterday's attack brought to more than 10,000 tons of bombs the total dropped on the

Fliers Welcome An 'Extras' Role

By Bud Hutton

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
306 FORTRESS GROUP, Oct. 17—
Heavy-bomber airmen, who before June
6 were the prima donnas of the war in
the ETO, resumed their spear-carrying
extra's role today with their third major
blow in four days at Cologne—attacks
aimed at making American infantrymen's
inh easier.

The rail and supply center which feeds Nazi resistance along the Rhine was hit through cloud by more than 1,300 Fort-

resses and Liberators.

The heavies were covered by a force of more than 800 Thunderbolts and Mustangs. The only enemy air opposition encountered was directed against a straggling bomber that had become separated from its formation. Some pilots reported seeing enemy jet-propelled planes—but only in the distance. Ack-ack for over Cologne ranged from meager to fire over Cologne ranged from meager to intense.

Thirteen bombers and three fighters were lost in the operation.

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Just as almost everyone else, your correspondent, who used to fly with the bombers, chased off after the ground forces when the invasion started. Today I went back with the bombers to see how they felt about a supporting role. The crews—who used to be the glamor boys, who reaped all the publicity there was—say they don't mind the spear-carrying a bit.

was say they
ing a bit.

2/Lt. Bob Mox, Hollywood, pilot of
the B17 Lily Marlene, summed it up:

"Our hats go off to those infantrymen.
They've got a dirty job. If wading through

(Continued on page 4)

Punch-Drunk Hitler Is Seeing Stars-Again

MADRID, Oct. 17 (UP)-Adolf Hitler has gone off to his Berchtesgaden retreat to study his horoscope, leaving Himmler and Goebbels to control Germany, ac-cording to travelers from Germany reach-ing Madrid. They said Germany's latest defeats had chastened him considerably, and that he was subject to terrific fits of

Yanks Undergo Record Barrage

After German artillery lashed at American lines encircling Aachen Monday night in one of the strongest barrages yet encountered by the First Army in the Siegfried defenses, enemy tank and infantry counter-attacks tapered off yesterday.

An American staff officer estimated hat the Germans had lost a fourth of the troops thrown against the Americans in the area of Crucifix Hill, northeast of Aachen, in five futile thrusts to keep the First Army's twin drives from linking and sealing off the frontier city.

While the doughboys were consolidat-ing positions in the area where the gap was finally sealed, other units mopped up enemy pockets west of the city.

One dispatch said it had become apparent that the state of German supply lines was much better than had been

Supplied From Air

The Aachen garrison has been supplied by air and, before the gap was closed, by mad dashes by trucks through the gauntlet of U.S. fire.

Dispatches from the British Second Army front in Holland said German troops and tanks were moving from the tip of the Allied salient down toward the Aachen area.

British forces were inside Venray, fighting in the streets, following eight attacks by Typhoons against enemy posi-

In the Scheldt Estuary pocket, the Germans withdrew to a new line as

Canadian attacks grew in strength.

In France, Germans west of Metz blared surrender demands over loud-speakers to the Americans as heavy rains continued to fill up the Third Army's fox-

Over a Real Hill

BALTIMORE, Oct. 17 (ANS)-Third Service Command disclosed today that four soldiers went AWOL in India, forged furlough papers, hitch-hiked plane rides back to the U.S., and landed in Miami. Three have been apprehended.

Berlin Says Reds Have Begun New Drive For East Prussia

While Russian and German troops engaged in violent house to house fighting for Belgrade, Berlin yesterday reported the beginning of a new Soviet offensive against East Prussia on a 25-mile front on both sides of Vilkaviskis, along the Kaunas-Konigsberg road. German Overseas News Agency at the same time reported "battles of the

German Overseas News Agency at al utmost ferocity" raging between the Vistula and Bug Rivers north of Warsaw. "The entire weight of the Soviet offensive along the eastern front appears to have been flung into the sectors north of the Polish capital," it said.

At one point, the agency added, the Russians threw no less than seven infantry divisions "and a whole series of tank formations" against a single SS division. In the Hungarian plain a great tank battle between Debrecen and Oradea Mare roared into its tenth day, the Germans said, "without either side so far scoring clear success."

Strong possibilities that joint operations in Norway might be the result of the Soviet capture of Petsamo, the northern Finland naval base, were reported in a

Soviet capture of Petsamo, the northern Finland naval base, were reported in a United Press dispatch from Moscow. Norway, the agency said, "is the most likely battleground where Russian and British forces could join hands."

Finnish troops fighting for the Arctic Circle town of Rovaniemi yesterday blocked the Germans' retreat from Petsamo by cutting the Arctic highway north of the town, thus forcing the enemy to withdraw into Norway. withdraw into Norway.

Trick Saves U-Boat Equipment for Allies

OTTANGE, France, Oct. 17 (UP)-A vast amount of U-boat equipment is now in Allied hands because of a trick a Frenchman played on the Germans.

When the Germans were leaving Ottange an officer ordered that the entrance to an iron mine where the equipment was stored be blown up. The French mining engineer said he would see to it—and then substituted a black powder instead of the dynamite.

As U.S. troops began pouring into the neighborbood the fuse was set to block the main shaft of the mine. But all that happened was a sizzling from the powder—and the mine remained to reveal U-boat secrets to Allied experts.

Inside the dripping tunnels are stacks of turbines, pumps, depth gauges and even complete transformers that came from doomed or fallen U-boat bases.

Army Says It Can't Increase Rotations Home

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17-The War Department, reporting that it now was returning to the U.S. approximately 30,000 men monthly, said it couldn't increase that number substantially and continue to press the war "vigorously and to an early conclusion."

The Army report to the House Mili-tary Affairs Committee was prepared as result of increasing requests for furloughs for men serving abroad. (Soldiers in the ETO, except Air Forces men, are not permitted a rotation plan.)

To permit return of even 30,000 men monthly, the report said, "we must immobilize four to seven times this number, or the equivalent of eight to 14 divisions. For every man we add to this number being returned, the Army would lose the effective use of from four to seven additional soldiers."

The selection of individuals to be

returned under quotas assigned to over-seas commanders, the report explained, is the "sole responsibility of authorities in the theater." In turn, determination

of the fortunate soldier is based on local conditions, with consideration given the individual's length of service, his value to his unit and the extent he needs rehabilitation.

needs rehabilitation.

A man sent home for subsequent return to his unit obtains 30 days' furlough, the War Department stated, which means he actually is absent for about four months—the balance of time being consumed in traveling. In any case, the report pointed out, availability of shipping space "imposes a very definite ceiling" on rotation transfers.

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Trial By Their Peers

Sept. 27, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
Today we are fighting a war for demo-cracy, for the different freedoms. Why don't we start it with our fighting orga-nizations? In civilian courts, a man is tried by a jury composed of civilians like himself. Why shouldn't an Army Court Martial be composed of enlisted men when an enlisted man is on trial? It hardly seems democratic that he be tried

by officers.

To ensure the correct procedure and rulings, the law member could remain an officer especially qualified, but why not give democracy a chance in the Army?—

T/4 Warren C. Hartmann, Fin, Disb.

WACs Have Stake in War Oct. 11, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
To Private A. A. Abraham, Infantry:
Noted your Gripes on "Femmes" in
uniform, and will say that an infantryman's picture would have been more
appropriate for the space when it comes appropriate for the space when it comes to the actual deserving ones of this war; but why do you begrudge the WAC Sgt.'s picture taking up space and publicity when there have never been gripes on Lana Turner's picture and all the pin-up girls in ribbon dresses? The WAC is as pretty as any of the pin-up girls, and why regard us "femmes" in uniform as "hogwash"? We, too, have lots at stake in this war.—S/Sgt. Jo Parrott, A802355, ASC.

Cross-Word Puzzle Fan

Oct. 14, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
Everyone seems to be blowing their top over the funnies. Why not have one complete page of funnies and maybe a cross-word puzzle daily? Why can't we have "Smoky Stover" or "Napoleon?" Thanks for your consideration on the matter.—"Zig Zag."

An Editorial Bouquet Oct. 9, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
Maybe this doesn't belong in "The B-Bag," It's a beuquet, not a bitch. I think your daily picture editorials are one of the best things which ever happened to Stars and Stripes. It's about time the average GI started using his head and acting like a member of the armed forces of the greatest democracy in the world and your daily editorials are a good incentive to thought.

If we'd used our head ten years ago, Hitler never would have been able to get as far as he did. If we use our heads a little after the war's over, maybe we won't have another war in twenty-five years.—Sgt. Henry B. Epstein, ASC, USSTAF.

Advice from the Navy

Oct. 12, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes, Just want to ask, what the hell are these guys who are bitching because they don't get write ups fighting for, citations or victory? We're in the Navy Air Corps, for instance. Hells-bells, few people even know that the Navy has land-based bombers in England doing sub-patrol. fact few persons seem to know that the Navy even has an air-corps at all. In other words, let's knock off the screaming for recognition. After all it takes all units to make an operation successful. Not just one.—Lib. Crew of Hut A-1.

Attention, 'Ma' Patrick

Oct. 12, 1944 Dear Stars and Stripes,

Referring to your article in "B Bag" Oct. 12, the gripe of one Sgt. Patrick (who lost personal belongings from his B Bag), and the "Quityerbitchen" reply from the foot soldiers in France. I get quite a bang out of the petty gripes and groans of the boys, but never thought I'd have to contribute my moan and groan to The Stars and Stripes column. I wholeheartedly agree with the boys in France on their version on the deal, but I'm going to let you in on a little secret:

There are two Sgt. Patricks in the ETO—maybe more, I don't know. Anyhow, chum, there are quite a few of my hometown buddies scattered hither and you on this little island and France who might get the wrong conception as to which this Sgt. Patrick might be. I'd feel a bit browned off if something

of this nature reached the home town (and you don't know what an Irish temper Mamma Patrick has). So, in con-sideration to the good name Patrick which I'm damned proud of, and prevention of similar happenings to someone else in the future under innocent circumstances, how about printing the "First names" of victims and victors in all in-stances?—Sgt. Floyd Patrick, Air Service Command.

Hash Marks

Some newspapers at home have begun to spell "Jap" with a small "j," apparently in line with the small "r" customary in spelling "rat."

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A close observer reports that most college girls don't believe in petting—which proves that you don't always have to believe in what you are doing.

A professor recently made the scientific prediction that the women on Mars had



six legs. Which caused the little moron to comment, "What a wonderful place to see a burlesque show."

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Mess Sgt. Robert Bobino at an Air Service Command depot is a man with imagination. He occasionally serves a salad which contains nothing but lettuce. He lists it on the menu as "Honeymoon Salad" (Lettuce Alone).

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Oddities in the News: Cpl. Frank Cady says that right over the welcome mat at a boarding house he stopped at is a brass plate reading "B, Gawne."

And then there was the Irishman who wanted to join the Russian Army so he could fight under Tim O'Shenko.

Time Marches On. The Mild and Bitter Rangers are fast being converted into Calvados Commandos.

Signs of the Times: They were showing a movie in a marshalling area and a bunch of nurses were in the audience. Some joker in the back had this notice flashed on the screen: "Ladies Will Please Remove Their Helmets."

Revised Definition: A "Fox" is a GI 'Wolf" who can speak French.

Overheard at a Beachhead: "Yeah, this is a fine up-to-date camp area—complete with all modern inconveniences."

GIs of one outfit in France have added a classy ex-Nazi vehicle to their motor pool. It's a Lincoln Zephyr reportedly



used at one time by Rommel. The boys have disinfected and deloused it

thoroughly. Observation: Everybody in the ETO is counting his points these days-and we

don't mean ration points.

- An Editorial -

Leave It to Ivan, Tommy and Joe

AYBE you read the item about American officials being worried lest there be a general weakening in the re-lations between the Allies-particularly between Britain and Russia-when the European war

Well, we'd like to make a suggestion.

How about shipping a bunch of Red soldiers to England and the States? How about furloughing some British Tommies and Yanks to Russia? How about putting the same amount of money in each of their pockets? How about giving a flock of Ivans, Tommies and GI Joes a chance to get together and swap ideas?

How about letting them sit down over beer, or bitters, or vodka, or whatever happens to be around, and talk over tomorrow?

Ordinary folks generally manage to get along well with each other. They all want the same thingsa chance to work-enough to eat a little fun-and all the things that a home and a family and peace mean to a man.

They don't think much about big



Cartels and colonies money. aren't in their line. They might not figure out a hair-line dicker on Danzig or the Dardanelles-but they'd play their cards face up on the table. "Mutual suspicions and misunderstandings" - to quote from the same article-"which cloud dealing between Russia and the rest of the world" just wouldn't

That's why we say—let Ivan, Tommy Atkins and GI Joe get to-gether. What they'd think—what they'd say—what they'd do—might give the right pitch to the guys with the frock coats, striped pants and silk hats.

Report From Home

Fighters Resent U.S. Attitude; Why? Here's One Man's Opinion

This is the third article of a report on America by Bud Hutton, Stars and Stripes staff writer who has just returned to the ETO from 60 days of leave and duty in the U.S. which followed three years overseas with the Canadians and Americans.

By Bud Hutton

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

So okay, that's the way you found things back home. But do you think it'll do any good to tell the guys here about it, and anyway, what do you suggest to change thinge back there?

Well, Time Magazine about a month ago reported on "the hard-faced young men" who stood on the boardwalls and ago reported on "the hard-faced young men" who stood on the boardwalk outside the Air Forces rest home in Atlantic City and waited bitterly to go back overseas. Time said they were fed up with the attitude of folks at home. Some guys overseas wrote in to demand by what right Time had told them about those things, about the lack of morale on the home front. Others wrote it made them mad.

Not the Only Worry

Well, this story is just the way things are. And just as a precautionary note:
Not everyone in America is worrying
only about the paycheck. Not everyone
is uncaring about what happens.

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FRONT WITH MAULDIN

Who? The people in the small towns, the country people?

No. Country folks are about the same as city people. They've been working very hard because of two factors: Prices are high and labor is scarce.

The folks who have relatives overseas naturally are not uncaring about the war. They have a personal stake in it. But most of them, as everyone else, seemed to think that on the day Paris fell the whole thing was all wrapped up. They started planning celebrations for peace. They have forgotten that Nazi garrisons They have forgotten that Nazi garrisons still are holding out in Lorient, 500 miles behind the front, and that when the bombers go over and lose 40 or 45 planes, that's 400 or 450 American kids for whom the war is far from won,

Well, what can you do about it?

One opinion is no good. But while I was home I talked to a lot of folks back from overseas. What they thought and had to say boils down to about this, which was published in the New York newspaper PM:

newspaper PM:

"... we were impressed (overseas) by all the tanks and the guns and the planes and everything else that came rolling out of American production and got there so that our burial details wouldn't be so busy each time we pasted the Germans.

"But just for my own dough, why the hell shouldn't the tanks and planes and guns come pouring out? The guys who have been making them weren't doing anyone a favor by making them. They were doing their assigned jobs in the war to keep the country free.

to keep the country free.

"And they were getting paid for it and no one was shooting at them.

Weren't Shot At

Weren't Shot At

"Nobody I ever knew who was getting shot at in this war was anything but glad and happy that no one at home was getting bombed or strafed. The guys who've been bombed and shot at know it's not good, and they don't want it happening to the folks back home. As a matter of fact, that's why the guys who are getting shot at are getting shot at are getting shot at simple shot at are getting shot at are getting shot at simple should be should for a little harmless flirtation because what the hell he'll never know and it doesn't mean anything, anyway; not really. "Maybe it's like this: If you're in a war for conquest; if you go into it to make your lands bigger than the other guy's, then it doesn't matter, how you

guy's, then it doesn't matter, how you feel.

"But if you announce that you're in a war because somebody is trying to take away the most valuable possession you you want your people and all the other people of the world to be free and because you're against tyranny and prejudice and intolerance and brutality—then either you fight that war on moral grounds or you're a phony about it and for my dough it's no good."

-Notes from the-Air Force

A DOUBLE life-size picture of Lana Turner painted on a Fortress named "Tempest Turner" recently led to the world premiere showing of the screen star's latest picture, "Marriage is a Private Affair," at the Fortress base com-manded by Lt. Col. Elbert Helton, of San Antonio, Tex.

The crew of "Tempest Turner," com-manded by 1/Lt. John I. Lewis, Minneapolis, Minn., received the film at the personal request of Miss Turner, who wrote:
"It is a great honor to have an Eighth Air Force bomber named after me and calls for something special. I am sending



Maj. Pete C. Sianis, Washington, D.C., Squadron CO of "Tempest Turner" crew (left), and 1/Lt. John I. Lewis, Minneapolis, Minn., pilot.

my latest picture, 'Marriage is a Private Affair' to you and your squadron for its world premiere sho

The presentation of the film was given in a large bomber hangar, dressed for the occasion and filled with enthusiastic GIs, and was preceded by a GI stage show, music by the Eighth Air Force band, the Flying Yanks, and the appearance of London show girls.

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Once Over Lightly _By Charlie Kiley_

NEW YORK, Oct. 17—Football must have a rather insignificant place in the soldier's mind these days, especially the soldier's mind these days, especially if he's overseas and more concerned with the approximate date of his next bath or even luke-warm chow than he is with the activities of athletes who are total strangers to him in name as well as reputation. But the names of Strong, Herber, Hutson, Baugh and Hein have been around long enough to be familiar to a Joe in the First, Ninth, 29th Infantry or Second Armored or any other outfit who has been overseas so long he hardly remembers what a glass of Schlitz beer looks like.

All five of the aforementioned gentlemen of the gridiron are still around and making monkeys, for the most part, of their more youthful team mates and

opponents.

Ken Strong, of course, was the violent Violet of NYU back in 1928 or '29 when it was fashionable to rap on a speakensy door and say, "Benny sent me." Ken, who is pushing 40 years, is still around with Tim Mara's New York Giants, pointing his educated right toe in the general direction of enemy goal posts. Like a lot of professional athletes, war has kept Strong going. War or no war, however, Strong would be qualified to match his punting and place-kicking prowess with anybody, and that's all round Steve Owen is asking him to do. Ten years ago Strong could make his own hole where none existed. Now he's a one-play man who kicks off or is called in to try a field goal or conversion after touchdown. Moreover, he is making them good for points.

Arnie Herber retired from the Packers So long ago the existed.

Arnie Herber retired from the Packers so long ago the exact year isn't clear. He too came off the shelf to hook up with the Giants this year. He may not



Arnold Herber

be the passing wizard he was when he pitched those aerial records at Hutson, but he is one of the best of the war-time

Don Hutson, who may be the greatest football player of the last decade, decided to quit the Green Bay Packers two years ago. But he was back last year to run his total of records to 19, and after deciding to quit again came back this year to lead the National Football League in scoring

Mel Hein, who stands second to few if any in the long line of great centers, has been retiring for the past few years, but he was in there Sunday holding down the pivot job for the Giants and bowling over Brooklyn Tiger backs with all his old ferocity. There's a saying among the pro backs that there is nothing as final as a tackle by Hein. as a tackle by Hein.

Sammy Baugh departed from the Red-skins to Texas in a helluva hurry a few weeks ago when his draft board told him he'd better stick to ranching—it was more of a war effort than pitching passes. The latest news though is that he'll be able to play in Washington when the Redskins are at home. It hasn't been pointed out yet, but the idea seems to be that war takes a holiday when the Redskins are home.

Chinese Abandon Checkers in Favor Of Cage Game

MIAMI BEACH, Oct. 17 — The Chinese got along very well with their game of checkers until then ran into the game of checkers until then ran into the Yanks, but according to Lt. Hal Surface, former ranking lawn tennis player who has just returned from 33 months in the CBI, it is liable to be basketball from now on. They have taken to basketball more than any other American sport, and they're "crazy" about the game, according to Surface.

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A Special Service officer in the Army
Air Forces, Surface reports that Chinese
basketball players have made rapid strides
and will "make tough world competition
and will "make tough world competition some day."

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Packers' Bid Challenged By Cleveland

NEW YORK, Oct. 17—The Green Bay Packers have finally landed atop the National Football League after five years of trailing the Chicago Bears, but their position isn't as safe as they'd like it to be. They're being seriously threatened by the Cleveland Raims, who may do what the Browns did in baseball the past season. Almost a manimous choice to season. Almost a unanimous choice to finish last, the Rams have won three straight and demonstrated their mettle in the third game by winning after spotting the opposition 17 points.

The Packers, idle the past weekend, with four victories and no defeats, seemed to have the western half of the league all tied up. However, next Sunday's battle between the Rams and Packers definitely comes under the crucial classification. Irv Comp, one of the Packers' top backfield men, may have to have an appendicitis operation, and that may be just citis operation, and that may be just what the Rams need.

Giants In Best Position In the east, the Giants are in the best position right now, although the Eagles were supposed to be tops. The Quaker City boys are one victory behind the New Yorkers and they won't get a chance to make up the difference as they played a tie game with the Redskins. The National League throws the games out of the League throws tie games out of the window when figuring standings, and that game is gone forever, leaving the Giants still one up.

Buff Donelli, Cleveland coach, has surprised every team he's played thus far. He showed Tom Colella and Jim Benton to the Card-Pitts, Lou Zontini to Benton to the Card-Pitts, Lou Zontini to the Bears, and Sunday he sprang two new ones on the Lions—Albie Reisz, five-foot-ten 170-pound back from Southeast Louisiana College, and Steve Pritko, who showed great promise as an end with the Giants last year. Reisz scored the first touchdown and Pritko the next two in the Rams' 20—7 win over Detroit.

Frank Filchock is filling Sammy Baugh's shoes amply for the Redskins. His passing set up two touchdowns for

His passing set up two touchdowns for Bob Seymour and he tossed to Ted Lapks for the third as the Redskins handed Boston its third straight circuit setback. The Bears finally got out of the cellar by smashing the Pitt-Cards, 34-7.

No Operation for Sinkwich

DETROIT, Oct. 17—Despite an appendicitis attack which forced him to enter a hospital after Sunday's game with the Cleveland Rams, Fireball Frankie Sinkwich, Detroit Lions' backfield star, is expected to finish out the season, it was stated today. Examinations have revealed an operation unnecessary at this time. sary at this time.

Trading Boom in Majors Predicted

NEW YORK, Oct. 17—Feeling has gained momentum among major league baseball magnates that although they'll keep drafting ballplayers this year and next, the manpower situation that caused them to hold on to everything they had lead to be a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-backs this week that in his opinion the Giants had a successful season. "We finished ahead of Brooklyn," Mel pointed to Monday morning quarter-ba last season is sufficiently loosened now to permit some trading. With more material available baseball owners will probably brighten many wintertime sports pages with players' swaps and cash trans-

High on the list of club owners on the prowl with ready mazuma is Horace Stoneham, president of the New York Giants. Stoneham's present requirements are primarily a catcher and first-baseman Ernie Lombardi, the present backstop

is a good receiver and a good hitter, but he also is the slow-est man in the est man in the major leagues, and when he gets on first base it takes at least three more singles to get him home. His power with the bat is not conficient to the manufacture of the major leagues, and when the gets on first takes at least three more single of the major leagues, and when the gets on the major leagues, and the major leagues, and the major leagues, and the major leagues of the major league sufficient to out-weigh his slowness afoot. Phil Weintraub,

Phil Watson Barred

From Hockey Play

WINNIPEG, Oct. 17—Phil Watson of the New York Rangers, who played with the Montreal Canadiens last hockey season because he was frozen

nockey season because he was frozen to a war job and couldn't leave Canada, will be unable to play in the National Hockey League this season.

The bar on Watson is a result of a rule passed recently by the circuit which makes any man ineligible who is deferred from military service "for other than physical reasons."

The two leading net players of U.S. wartime competition, Francisco Segura and Pauline Betz, extended their domain below the border with victories

in the Pan-American tourney at Mexico City.

Tops in the Tennis Circuit

out, without adding, of course, that five other clubs did the same thing. Brooklyn's Leo Durocher needs pitchers

desperately and would not be averse to



AL JAVERY

having Al Javery, despite the righthander's dismal ten and 19 record with the Braves last season.

VINCE DIMAGGIO

There's a good outfielder just waiting to be traded off the Pittsburgh club, and the sooner the better as far as he is concerned. Vince DiMaggio frankly admits he'd like it better elsewhere. His trouble started when the club office had sharp words with him over a hotel meal bill and henched him late in the cases. PHIL WEINTRAUB

Giant first baseman, was up among the leading hitters all season, but Manager

Mel Ott soured on Phil's lack of hustle and sent him home near the end of the season, apparently convinced that a little more spirit from vinced that a little more spirit from look traded off the Pittsburgh club, and the sooner the better as far as he is concerned. Vince DiMaggio frankly admits bending that the rubber banks of likely to fly off that Yankee banks of players who masqueraded as Yankees this season, and couple of pitchers.

American League clubs.

It also seems likely that the rubber banks of like it better elsewhere. His trouble started when the club office had sharp words with him over a hotel meal bill and benched him late in the season. It seems Vince likes music with his meals

Lou Novikoff has just about reached the end of the string in Chicago. The Cubs have a plentiful supply of out-fielders, and the eccentric Russian is likely to be with another club before

Clark Griffith is scouting for infielders. He must find a replacement for Third Baseman George Myatt before long as George is Army before bound.

From Cleveland there come rumors that Lou Boudreau is again displeased with Jim Bagby, and the right - hander will be trading mate-



JEFF HEATH

rial along with Jeff
Heath, Cleveland's unpredictable outfielder. These two players will both get
more than a weak nibble from the other
American League clubs.

Scribes Rate Irish, Army One-Two on Gridiron Heap

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—There are few if any events in sports which rival the annual Army-Notre Dame football game in New York's Yankee Stadium for color and thrills. Year after year Army supporters and countless thousands of Notre Dame's "Subway Alumni" clamor for seats in New York Stadium (Control of Stadium New York). York's biggest ball park to watch the Fighting Irish and Cadets lock horns.

But though records always go "out the window" when the Ramblers and gentlemen from West Point meet up, there is no denying that the achievements of the two teams this year tend to make the '44 Irish-Cadet classic look as pro-mising as any show they ever have put on. Both are undefeated and have yet to be

Football writers strung along with Notre Dame as the nation's top team in the second weekly poll conducted by the Associated Press yesterday, and moved the Army, third last week, into second place.

Biggest drop of the week in the eye of the grid experts was taken by North Carolina Pre-Flight, which dropped from second slot to tenth in the AP balloting as a result of their 13—13 tie with

as a result of their 13—13 the with Virginia.

Here is how the leading point-getters stand now: Notre Dame—973; Army—862; Randolph Field—681.5; Ohio State—631; Iowa Pre-Flight—399.5; Great Lakes—386; Pennsylvania—328; Georgia Tech—313; Navy—308, and North Carolina Pre-Flight—216.

Buffalo Signs Governali BUFFALO, Oct. 17—Paul Governali, former Columbia University passing ace and now a Marine lieutenant, has signed to play with the Buffalo team in the All-America Football Conference which will start operating after the war.

Wear Quits N.Y. Ring Board NEW YORK, Oct. 17—Col. D. Walker Wear, member of the New York State Athletic Commission almost from its in-ception in 1920, has mailed his resigna-tion to Gov. Thomas E. Dewey.

YOU CAN'T THROW WEDDING? MAT BANKS? THIS — OUR WHAT KIND OF WEDDING MUST A SHAKEDOWN GO THROUGH. IS THIS?

Tressell Leads Nation's Scorers

NEW YORK, Oct. 17-Lee Tressell of Baldwin-Wallace leads the nation's college football players in scoring at this stage of the game with 55 points, the Associated Press revealed yesterday. In six games Tressell has tallied nine touchdowns and one extra point to lead Keith De Courcey of Washington, who has scored nine touchdowns in four games.

	The leaders by conferences:					
e	CONF.	PL'YR.	TEAM	TD	EP	TP
8	East, Ind	Davis	Army	7	0	42
1	Big Ten	Young	Missouri	5	0	30
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1	Midwest Ind.	Tressell	B'dwn-Wl.	9	-1	55
	Southern	Suttenfield	Richmond.	6	0	36
		Brinkley	Wake Ft .	. 6	0	36
ы	Southeast	McWilliams	Miss. St.	- 8	0	48
П	Southwest	Yates	Texas Ags.	6	0	36
9	Rocky Mt	Ziegler	Col. St	7	6	48
	Pacific		Wash	9	0	54

Garden Schedules 18 Double-Headers

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 — Eighteen basketball double-headers have been scheduled for Madison Square Garden this winter, bringing teams from practically every section of the country. The season will open Dec. 6, with College of the City of New York playing Detroit and New York University facing Rochester University.

Among the teams opposing the local

Among the teams opposing the local colleges besides Detroit and Rochester are Western Michigan, Valparaiso, Utah, Oklahoma Aggies, Arkansas, Muhlenberg, DePaul, Puerto Rico, Tennessee, Western Kentucky, Wyoming, Hamlin, Colgate, Dartmouth, Texas Christian, Kentucky, Corpull, Coesetiew, Photo-Kentucky, Cornell, Connecticut, Rhode Island State, Syracuse, West Virginia, Akron, Notre Dame, Canisius, Oklahoma and Temple.

Untied, Unbeaten, Unheard Of, But Maryville Has Perfect Slate

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 17-It's just a little early to put in claims about superior season football records, but the first perfect score of the season has been wrapped up and put away already, and the lads taking the bows are the gridders of Maryville (Mo.) Teachers College. The Bearcats, unbeaten, untied and unheard of outside Missouri, got underway back in August, racked up seven straight victories and scored 207 points to 21 for the opposition. By Chester Gould

Their season's abrupt end is due to the fact that most members of the team are Navy trainees who complete their semester's work this week. Most of the men never played college football before and few of them had even played in high school, but they more than surprised Coach Ryland Miller and practically astounded most of their opponents.

Although he had no name stars in his lineup, Coach Miller is nominating 150-pound George Campbell, a halfback from Ottawa, Kansas, as his choice for any Little All-America team that may be



Dick Tracy

WE'RE COMING TO A LITTLE TOWN MAYBE WE'D BETTER STOP AND

YOU DON'T SEEM

WELL

I CAN'T GET OVER

THAT NAME. SNOWFLAKE



By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune

SUDDENLY, SNOWFLAKE OPENS THE DOOR OF THE MOVING CAR

STOP TRACY!

SO - YOU BROUGHT ME UIT HERE TO MARRY ME-AND NOW YOU REFUSE! WELL I WON'T STAND FOR IT, NAT BANKS



Dewey Attacks

In Those United States.

Dollars, Sweat Saved Lives, Somervell Says

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (ANS)-The U.S. had a choice of throwing either great masses of men or great masses of steel against the enemy and chose to save lives through paying heavily in dollars, sweat and fatigue at home, Lt. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, head of the Army Service Forces, said last night.

Appearing on the program of the annual New York Herald Tribune Forum, Somervell disclosed that in the first 109 days of the Allied invasion of western Europe, the Service Forces supplied troops in France with more than twice the total tonnage Gen. John J. Pershing's army received in the entire 19 months the U.S. participated in World War I.

Somervell also said that in the period nearly 2,500,000 men were put ashore and that already "more than 50,000 wounded have been flown to hospitals in England and 12,000 across the Atlantic to hospitals in the U.S."

The Keller Touch

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (AP)—Famous Helen Keller, who is blind and deaf, while

inspecting busts at a sculptor's studio, placed her sensitive hands on one and said: "This is Presi-dent Roosevelt." Told that it was, she fingered it a little more and added: "It was made when he was much younger than when I last saw him."

The sculptor revealed it was pro-duced in 1937, to to which Miss Keller replied: "Oh, I visited him a few-weeks ago, so that accounts for it



HELEN KELLER

A Promise Is a Promise

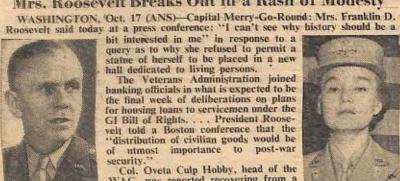
PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 17 (ANS)-When four-year-old Eileen Bliss' daddy was inducted into the Army two weeks ago, she promised him she would look after mama. Last night, when a burglar who had entered the Bliss home grabbed her mama's throat, Eileen hurled herself at him and screamed at the same time. The intruder fled.

A Life Abe Saved Ends

COLDWATER, Mich., Oct. 17 (ANS)

George Quackenbush, 83, a retired tinsmith, whose life was once saved by Abraham Lincoln, died yesterday. Taken by his parents to hear Lincoln talk at Sandusky, Ohio, Quackenbush crawled under a standing train. Lincoln spotted the boy there as the train started up and pulled him to safety.

Mrs. Roosevelt Breaks Out in a Rash of Modesty



GI Bill of Rights. . . . President Roose-velt told a Boston conference that the "distribution of civilian goods would be of utmost importance to post-war security."
Col. Oveta Culp Hobby, head of the

Col. Oveta Culp Hobby, head of the WAC, was reported recovering from a minor operation. . . . Gen. George C. Marshall, back from his trip to France, col. Hobby conferred with the President. . . . An Associated Press survey disclosed that servicemen were salting away almost \$60,000,000 in bonds monthly.

Ship models of Axis warships made by Japanese-Americans in Arizona are being used to train American pilots It was disclosed today. . . The Agriculture Department in a special pamphlet for servicemen stated that "farming compensations more than make up for the hardships."

Harry James Hits Blue Note

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 17 (ANS)-Hot trumpeter Harry James has reached an trumpeter Harry James has reached an agreement over alimony with his former wife, Louise Tobin James. The out-of-court settlement provides that James, now the husband of Blonde Betty Grable, pay \$6,000 yearly for the support of his former wife and two children. He also will pay her an additional \$4,997 and place \$8,997 in a trust fund for the womesters. youngsters.

New Washington State Prexy
PULLMAN, Wash., Oct. 17—Dr.
Wilson Compton, secretary and manager
of the National Lumber Manufacturers
Association, announced his acceptance of
the presidency of Washington State College. He succeeds Dr. Ernest O. Hollane,
who is retiring after 30 years.

Prof. Corwin Dies

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 17 (ANS)

Robert N. Corwin, 80, professor
emeritus at Yale University since 1933,
is dead. Corwin captained the Yale football team in 1886,

Last Rites for Willkie

RUSHVILLE, Ind., Oct. 17 (ANS)— Burial services for Wendell L. Willkie, who died in New York Oct. 8, were held

Those Tame Open Spaces

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Oct. 17 (AP)—Wild life out here in the wide open spaces isn't as wild as one might think. Airport authorities here tried to shoo an antelope



off the landing field, failed, and finally hauled it away. And in another Wyoming town a moose meandered into the streets, posed prettily while residents took pic-

GI Hepcat Turns Self In, Tells of Meeting Slain Heiress

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 17-Movieland police today continued their investigation into the rape-murder of vivacious Georgette Bauerdorf, 20, New York oil heiress and hostess at the Hollywood Canteen, servicemen's center. Her body, clad only in pajama tops, was found floating in her bathtub.

After questioning two Negro janitors, a next-door neighbor and a soldier who had danced with Georgette the night she was slain, police established the time of death as about 2.30 AM last Thursday.

Police added it had also been esta-blished that Miss Bauerdorf often enter-tained soldiers in her apartment.

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The soldier who was questioned, Cpl.
Cosmo Voipe, a profession hepeat who
frequents the Hollywood Canteen, turned
himself in to police when he read they
were looking for a husky, dark-haired G1
who allegedly had "made a play" for
Georgette at the canteen.

Volpe said he had "started to do some

fancy rug cutting with her, but she said she didn't know how to follow me but would like me to teach her. She was vivacious and happy and she asked me my name and I told her and then she told me her name was Georgette.

The neighbor reported he had heard Miss Bauerdorf scream in the early hours of the morning. He said he heard her cry "Stop! Stop! You're killing me." The neighbor said he attributed it to a family quarrel and paid no more attention when there were no further outcries.

The janitors were released this morning after their fingerprints failed to jibe with those sprinkled around the slain girl's

King Inspects Yank Honor Guard



U.S. Army Signat Corps Photo
This U.S. military guard of honor is
inspected somewhere at the front by the
King at the presentation of the "Knight
Commander of the Bath" medal to Lt.
Gen. Omar N. Bradley, 12th Army
Group commander.

5 Good Men Go Out on a Limb

Five picture experts now in GI uniform have been selected to determine, from pictures sent to The Stars and Stripes in he current contest, the prettiest WAC in e U.K. They are Sgt. Leonard Celestino, Signal

They are Sgt, Leonard Celestino, Signal Corps, formerly with AP's New York picture desk; Sgt, Gordon Kirby, Army Pictorial Service, once a West Coast picture editor; Sgt. Pete Lisagor, The Stars and Stripes managing editor, formerly with The Chicago Daily News; Sgt. Bob Wood, head of The Stars and Stripes copy desk, who did his civilian chores for The Detroit Free Press, and Col. Tony Cordaro, Stars and Stripes Cpl. Tony Cordaro, Stars and Stripes picture editor, who before induction was with the Des Moines Register and Tribune in a similar capacity. round trips daily over the North Atlantic are now being operated for Air Transport Command by American Air Lines, Alexander N. Kemp, president of the company, disclosed today.

"We are ready," Kemp declared, "to operate commercially across the North Atlantic any time military circumstances permit."

Orphan Gwen Needs a Break

Typical of conditions which The Stars

Typical of conditions which The Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund seeks to relieve, the following facts were taken from Gwen A.'s "case history," submitted by the American Red Cross after a visit to the little blonde girl's home:

The father was killed in North Africa in December, 1942, leaving his young wife the sole support of their three small children, Gwen, five; Reginald, 3½, and Brian, 2½. The family have been blitzed from their former home and are living in one of the poorer working-class districts in the outskirts of London. Their income, a small welfare pension, is to be reduced, and Mrs. A. doesn't know how she will and Mrs. A. doesn't know how she will

Any assistance given to Gwen would be of inestimable benefit. There is little opportunity to provide any little extras pportunit whatsoever for Gwen or her brothers from Mrs. A.'s limited income.

The Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund provides for such cases, £100 spon-soring a child for five years.

Bloody Ridge Is Named For Heroic U.S. Captain

U.S. FIRST ARMY HQ., Oct. 17 (Reuter)—A curve in the high ridge leading from Crucifix Hill south to Verlauenheide, in the Aachen sector, richly stained with American and German blood, has been named "Dawson's

The name is a tribute to Capt. Joseph Dawson, of Waco, Tex., a holder of the DSC with cluster, whose company has fought off every furious German attempt to take the ridge in the last week without yielding a yard.

YOU ...

New Deal 'Incompetents'

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 17—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey called upon the voters last night to throw out the "bickering, quarreling and back-biting" Roosevelt administration, "the most spectacular collection of incompetent people who ever held public office," and "choose a government which can restore our job-making machinery."

"Jobs and opportunity for every American and our chance for a lasting peace—all depend on this election," the Republican Presidential candidate said in a speech in the home state of Sen. Harry S. Truman, the Democratic vice-presidential nominee.

"What kind of government is this," Dewey said of the New Deal, "that even a war cannot make it sober down and go to work? Little men are, rattling around in big jobs. Our country cannot afford the wasteful luxury of incompetent people in high places who spend their time fighting each other.

"Even Mr. Roosevelt publicly confessed on Aug. 26, 1942, that these conflicts within his administration had been a 'direct and serious handicap to the prosecution of the war."

"How costly they have been we will never know. But we know one thing—

"How costly they have been we will never know. But we know one thing— 12 years of this kind of government are too long; 16 years of it would be intoler-

1,300 Heavies Raid Cologne

(Continued from page 1)
the flak at Cologne (Mox lost an engine

the flak at Cologne (Mox lost an engine to flak there the last time out) is going to make foxhole living easier for those guys we're all for it."

That was about the way Mox' crew and the rest of the airmen from this old "First Wing" station felt about it. Once upon a time, when the bomber crews were fighting all the war there was in this theater, some of them used to be a little touchy, probably rightly so, about due credit. Today they figure they have just as tough a job as infantrymen, but they can get back to a hot meal and a warm bed at night, and anything they can do to make the ground-force Joes' stay in

bed at night, and anything they can do
to make the ground-force Joes' stay in
foxholes shorter is all right by them.

The rest of Mox's crew; 2/Lt. Warren Borges,
Arlington, Mass., co-pilot; 1/Lt. Marcel
McCartney, Inglewood, Cal., bombardier; F/O
Stanley Gencher, Brooklyn, navigator; T/Sgts,
Ed Marquez, Denver, top turret; B. A. Wilson,
Palo Alto, Cal., radio operator; and Joseph
Schomher, Akron, Ohio, waist gunner; and
S/Sgts. Dan Sweeney, Worcester, Ohio, bull
turret, and Reed Miller, Tyrone, Pa., tall gunner.

MAAF Busy, Too

ALLIED MEDITERRANEAN HQ. Oct. 17 (Reuter)—MAAF Fortresses and Liberators heavily bombed oil refineries, plane factories and rail yards in south Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia yesterday.

Last night, RAF heavy and medium bombers followed up with an attack on rail yards at Zagreb, capital of Croatia and an important link in the German escape routes from the Balkans.

Targets for the American heavies, strongly escorted by fighters, included the great Czech Skoda armament works at Pilsen,

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (AP)—President Roosevelt will make a major campaign speech at Philadelphia Oct. 27, the White House announced today. The

white House announced today. The speech will follow within a week Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's scheduled talk at Pittsburgh Oct. 20. More than 100 German fighters rose to challenge the heavies, and 19 were shot down. U.S. losses were ten bombers and down. U.S six fighters.

Flier Bags 5 Nazi Planes To Vindicate Ike's Ruling

A ruling by Gen. Eisenhower last July cancelling the orders which would have returned 1/Lt. Charles E. Yeager, Mustang pilot from Hamlin, W. Va., to the U.S. after being shot down and wounded in enemy territory and getting back to England proved to be bad news for the Luftwaffe.

The 21-year-old squadron leader, who holds the distinction of having led

his group while still holding the rank of flight officer, last Thursday bagged five Messerschmitt 109s over Bremen. Although his original claim was four enemy craft destroyed, the fifth kill was confirmed by other pilots in his squadron who had seen the German plane crash.

Budapest Torn

With the Russians only 50 miles from Budapest, Hungary's capital city appeared last night to be torn by civil war between native Nazis who want to stay in the war on Hitler's side and Hun-

garians who want to quit.

Control of the capital, however, was evidently in the hands of the Hungarian Nazi Arrow Cross Party, which was being supported, according to Moscow Radio, by German tanks and SS troops.

Ferenc Szalasi, Arrow Cross leader, declared himself, exting regent and prime.

declared himself acting regent and prime minister. He had seized the government earlier from Adm. Nicholas Horthy, 74-year-old regent, after the latter asked the

American Air Lines Set

To Fly Post-War Atlantic

NEW YORK, Oct. 17 (Reuter)-Seven

FDR Speaks Oct. 27

Allies for an armistice.

By Civil War

Yeager was wounded in action over Berlin last March. Recovered, he was determined to seek revenge on the Luft-waffe and went to Eisenhower for per-mission to return to action.

"I had to go through a lot of channels to see Gen. Ike," he related. "I went from one office to another and from one high officer to another, until I found myself in front of his desk." Yeager's recent victories brought his

official score to seven.



1/Lt, Charles E. Yeager







OH !... TERRY







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