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### London Rescue Crews Search for Raid Victims



Shortly after a bomb dropped on this bank in a London area yesterday, ARP workers swarmed over the debris in search of victims buried beneath the ruins. At several points where German fighter-bombers attacked, American soldiers helped to clear away the ruins and give aid to the injured,

### London School, SuburbsBlasted By Nazi Raiders

### 11EnemyPlanesDestroyed In First Daylight Attack Since July

German fighter-bombers, sweeping in from the southeast coast at roof-top height, bombed and machine-gunned several suburban sections of London yes-terday noon. Eleven of the attackers were shot down in the biggest daylight doglight over the city since the Battle of

The raiders dealt their most devastating blow in the heart of a suburban London residential district, where they bombed a school and trapped nearly 100 children and teachers at their lunch tables.

Rescue workers discovered the bodies

of 30 children, six to 14 years old, and continued to remove baskets of debris in search for the 30 to 60 more children and three teachers who were trapped under the rubble.

All were seated at luncheon on the first floor of a four-story brick building. The room in which they were lunching was almost leveled by the attack.

More than 200 men, including the grey-haired vicar of the district, and several

women continued to work to clear the ruins last night. Only 11 children and one teacher emerged alive, and some of

Some American soldiers on leave in London assisted ARP workers in searching the debris for victims.

Observers estimated that only six of the thirty German raiders, FW 190s and ME 109s, which sped over the Channel under cover of clouds and with an escort of 100 fighter planes, reached London.

#### Heavy London Barrage

Heavy and light anti-aircraft guns opened up in the heart of London a half hour after the first warning was sounded. A heavy barrage lasted ten minutes. The attackers blasted several houses,

shops and a train in at least four other (Continued on page 4)

### **U.S.Shipments** To Russia Rise

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20-America has sent more than 3,200 tanks, 2,600 planes, 81,000 motor vehicles and other planes, 81,000 motor vehicles and other large quantities of war materials to Russia during the 15 month period ending Jan. I, Edward R. Stettinius Jr., lend-lease administrator, said today.

The total of airplanes shipped to Russia under lend-lease agreements was larger than that sent to the United King-

larger than that sent to the United Kingdom or any other military theater under
lend-lease, he reported.

In addition to the U.S. shipments,
Stettinius declared, the United Kingdom
bas sent Russia over 2,600 tanks and over
2,000 planes on a similar basis.

November, 1942, was a record month
for Russian shipments. Exports were 13
times the total sent in January, 1942 times the total sent in January, 1942.
Two-thirds of the value of items sent were
of a military nature and the balance was
composed of industrial materials and

### Yanks Keep One Eye On Sky, One On Vets

American soldiers have kept one eye on the sky and the other on London's veterans of the blitz during the air raids of the last four days.

Nazi bombs and English ack-ack are new to them, but they realize that the often-blitzed Londoner knows what to do better than anyone else in a raid.

So the Yank goes to the shelter when the Londoner does, and stands in doorways and windows watching the sky when the Londoner does.

His army training has taught him to be a bit more cautious about the flak which killed several civilians Sunday night. He stays clear of open sky but still peeks cautiously out at the aerial show.

No injuries to army personnel have been reported.

### Tax Returns **Due After War**

#### Soldiers Given 3½ Months. After Return to U.S. To File

Military personnel in the European Theater of Operations need not file Federal income tax returns until the 15th day of the third month after their return to the U.S., according ETO, announcement. the U.S., according to a Headquarters,

A circular issued in the ETO, quoting an opinion of the Judge Advocate General of the Army, set the date when returns

of the Army, set the date when returns are due from men serving outside the U.S. It applies to all individuals overseas, prisoners of war, beleaguered, etc. Finance Department authorities yesterday held that "Victory Tax" payments, likewise, would not be deducted from soldiers' pay, although they would be taken from that of U.S. citizen civilians. All U.S. personnel, however, are subject to the tax as from Jan. 1, 1943, and

eventually may be expected to pay it.

According to the Judge Advocate
General's opinion quoted in the circular, an individual serving outside the conti-nental United States is deemed to receive his entire pay at his station, regardless of allotments made by him. Military personnel need not include as items of income allowances for quarters, subsist-ence, uniforms, or equipment in connec-

tion with federal income tax.

Income tax returns will be available, the circular states, in all finance offices as soon as received.

### Allied Victory in 1943 Predicted by Jim Farley

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 20 (AP)—James A. Farley, former Postmaster General, who is noted for the accuracy of his poli-tical predictions, said today that the Allies would defeat Germany before the end of this work

this year.
"It is my honest opinion that Germany
"It is my honest opinion and after Gercannot last another winter, and after Germany collapses it should not take long to finish Japan," he said.

### Reds Still Drive **NazisWestward** On All Fronts

### Stiff German Resistance On Leningrad-Volkhov Battle Area

MOSCOW, Jan. 20 (AP)-From the frozen Neva in Russia's far north to the Kuban in the northern Caucasus, the Red Army drove the defeated German armies ever westward.

The Germans put up their most stubborn resistance on the broken Leningrad-Volkhov front, where they still possess numerous fine fortifications, and an abundance of munitions, weapons and

Red Star described a German strong-hold on the Volkhov front as "the main stronghold in this sector." The heights governing the settlement were the key to the situation and there was a series of enemy defenses to be overcome.

Despite intensive shelling the Russians reached the German trenches in the northeastern part while they were already carrying out an encircling movement to the
west. The Germans rushed up reinforcements from the rear, and heavy
fighting was still in progress.

At the same time Russian units on the

Leningrad front were fighting stubbornly for another large center of resistance in two adjoining villages. Every foot of (Continued on page 4)

### News of Soviet Advance Brings Panic to Budapest

ISTANBUL, Jan. 20 (UP)-A wave of panic swept through Budapest yesterday afternoon after the issue of the Hungarian communique admitting the Russian break-through on the Voronezh sector held by the Hungarians, state the latest reports reaching Istanbul.

The panic was increased by a later announcement cancelling all army leave and asking men to rejoin their units a week earlier.

Many men will not be able to find their mauled units, which are retreating in

# **Eighth Army Nears** Tripoli; Axis Tanks Advance in Tunisia

### Nazis Push French British Are Reported **Back Seven Miles** In South

By the Associated Press

Strong enemy tank attacks on the Allied southern flank have strengthened the supposition that the Axis plans to make its final African stand in Tunisia.

While parts of Rommel's fleeing force were reported to be retiring even beyond Tripoli, towards the other Axis forces in Tunisia, enemy tanks struck about seven miles through French positions southwest of Pont du Fahs, in Tunisia, apparently in an effort to create a diversion which would allow Rommel to retreat into

Southern Tunisia.

The Axis attack was part of what an Allied spokesman called "a good deal of armored movement by the enemy with heavy air support."

#### Seven-Mile Advance

The Allied communique issued here yesterday said:
"Minor engagements continue in the Bou Arada-Goubellat area.
"Enemy forces moving southwest from Pont du Fahs have penetrated about seven miles. One advancing column was

seven miles. One advancing column was attacked effectively by Hurricane bombers

and Spitfires.

"Bisley bombers attacked roads and railways in the area Tunis-Sousse on the night of Jan. 18-19. A train was destroyed and hits were made on motor transport.

"Vestralay objectives in the Tunis."

"Yesterday, objectives in the Tunis area were bombed by Flying Fortresses. "In the south, B25s bombed targets at

Medenine. "Lockheed Lightnings attacked a column of enemy vehicles near the Tunisian frontier, destroying about 20 of

"From all these operations two of our aircraft are missing."

#### **New Tank Commander**

The German tank forces, which slashed through the French positions in a drive along the road from Pont du Fahs south-west towards Robaa, now are known to be commanded by Gen. von Arnim, who has replaced Gen. Nehring.

Von Nehring apparently considers the hills northeast and northwest of Bou Arada vital to the defense of Axis holdings in coastal and Southern Tunisia.

The heights command the whole of the Carbells relaining addition to the malest

Goubellat plain, in addition to the valley extending from Bou Arada to Pont du

The tank thrust by the Germans was stopped by combined Allied air and artillery action, a spokesman said, declaring there had been considerable enemy tank losses

A theory was advanced by observers that the push was von Arnim's initial step to protect Rommel's retreat from Tripolitania to Tunisia by drawing off Allied forces from the Southern Tunisia sector which might launch an attack Rommel's exposed and retiring flank.

#### New Algeria Governor

ALLIED HQ, North Africa, Jan. 20 (AP)—The appointment of Marcel Pey-routon, described as a deadly political enemy of Laval, as Governor-General of Algeria is taken to be a sign that there will be a thorough cleaning out of pro-Vichyites in minor positions in Algeria.

### Past Homs On Coast Road

By The United Press

The Eighth Army raced into the home stretch to Tripoli yesterday, with one flank hugging the coast and snapping at the fleeing heels of Field-Marshal Rommel, while a western force drove northward through the interior toward the same goal.

Although it seemed certain that the Axis would make some sort of a stand -possibly a decisive one-at Tripoli, Rommel would not attempt much more than a strong rearguard action at the much-battered port.

A Morocco radio report said last night that part of Rommel's army already was fleeing west of Tripoli towards the Tunisian border.

It seemed likely that the commander of the broken Afrika Korps would make his stand in the hills along the border of Tripolitania and Tunisia, where the Mareth line of fortifications is said to

#### Allied Air Attacks

Meanwhile, Allied air power from the East, from Malta and from North Africa was doing its best to make certain that there was little in Tripoli worth fighting

for. Bombers kept up their day and night attacks on the harbor.

The Eighth Army, continuing its advance with still less opposition from the Axis during the past 24 hours, has now reached the so-called "Jebel Line," which consists of broken, hilly country running from Homs through and beyond Tarhuna to the southwest.

Despite the nature of the country how.

Despite the nature of the country, how-ever, and the plentiful sprinkling of mines by the enemy, there has been no lessen-ing of British pressure on the Germans and Italians, either on the ground or in the air.

Morocco radio late yesterday said the Eighth Army was at Homs, the last big port on the road to Tripoli, 50 miles away. Another Morocco radio broadcast said that advance forces were within 30 miles of Tripoli, but there was no confirmation of this

### Report Axis Embarkation

Another—and unconfirmed—radio re-port from Morocco said Rommel was embarking some of his troops from Tripoli in the face of the heavy Allied bombings

Another big air attack has been carried out on Castel Benito airdrome, which Rommel must use to defend Tunis from aircraft dispersed round the field. At the same time, fighters and fighter-bombers harassed the Axis columns retreating from the Tarhuna area, south of Tripoli. The harbors at Tripoli and Sousse were bombed again by Liberators, and during the raids they shot down three enemy

Bombers, torpedo-carrying aircraft and "intruders" have been operating from Malta, attacking shipping in the Sicilian narrows and striking at enemy communications with Sicily. Two ships were torpedoed in the Sicilian narrows, one a large supply ship and the other a medium-sized supply ship.

#### Parachutists Near Algiers

ALLIED HQ, N. Africa, Jan. 20 (AP)

—French military authorities in North
Africa have published a newspaper notice
offering a reward for German parachutists who have been dropped in Algeria.

The order was signed by the commander of the city of Algiers, indicating that the parachutists were dropped near Algiers, itself, and were presumably making their way citywards.

### Atlantic U-Boat Sinkings Climbing, OWI Chief Says

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (UP)—
U-boats have sunk more Allied shipping in the Atlantic so far this month than in the first 20 days of last month, it was revealed today by Elmer Davis, head of the Office of War Information.

The U-boat menace, he said, would remain serious for a long time to come, but other aspects of the war were much brighter.

## Exchange Stores Cut Prices; Cigarettes 2-4d, Juices 3-7d

A reduction in the price of cigarettes purchases are cigars 2d. and 4d., candy 2d. and 3d., chewing gum 2d., peanuts 2d. and 3d., chewing gum 2d., peanuts 1s., fig newtons 5d., vanilla wafers 2d., cheese niblets 2d., Colgate tooth paste was announced today by the U.S. Army Quartermaster Exchange Stores in the ETO in conjunction with the circulation of a new price list.

Popular brands of cigarettes that pre-viously sold for 6d, now cost 4d. Other brands have been cut to 2d, and 3d, The new price list is already in effect

in some Exchange Stores, and after today all stores throughout the European Theater of Operations will sell on the

Some of the reduced items on the new price list include toilet articles, lighter fluid, shaving cream, fruit juices and

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1s., fig newtons 5d., vanilla wafers 2d., cheese niblets 2d., Colgate tooth paste and Lyons tooth powder 9d., cough drops 2d., Lifebuoy shaving cream 1s., Barbasol shaving cream 4d., shoe polish 4d., grapefruit juice 3d., orange juice 3d. and 7d., Edgeworth and Prince Albert smoking tobacco 5d., chewing tobacco 3d., and popular brands of soap 4d.

The reduction in prices is due to the non-profit operations of the QM Exchange Stores which recently took over the operation of these stores from the Army Post Exchange Service, it was pointed out. Old prices prevailed until the QM could clear the shelves of PX stock and organize the handling of its own.

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#### Murder

Yesterday the German Luftwaffe attacked London. The raid was conducted in broad daylight and from a very low level.

One target selected by the Nazi airmen was a school. Flying so low they could not miss, they released their bombs and ripped the building wide open with a direct hit.

Still not satisfied they opened fire with machine-guns, killing several little children trying to escape.

Then to complete their task of coldblooded murder they riddled the homes in that vicinity with machine-gun and cannon fire taking care to see that all civilians in the streets below were shot without mercy.

We believe that every American soldier in London should visit this area before the horrible mess has been removed, for no man can view this deliberate destruction without fully realizing how beastly the Germans have become. That human beings could sink so low seems unbelievable. Even the foulest word in the English language fails utterly to describe such

As we viewed the wreckage, the torn bodies, the ruthless slaughter, we knew, for the first time, the real meaning of the word "hate," and for the first time hoped there was a Hell, for if there is, howling in it now are the Nazi airmen who failed to return from this raid over England.

### Why Worry?

" Nothing disrupts an army as quickly as no news or bad news from home, said Brig. Gen. L. B. Hershey recently, and he hit the nail smack on the head. In this theater many men are working seven days a week to see that home news, good news and " true " news, reaches you to knock old man worry clean out of the vocabulary of GIs in the U.S. Army.

Part of this job is being done by Special Service . . . this publication assisting. The Red Cross does the rest and their work is vitally important to you.

It has been found that the worries of most GIs are of a non-military nature. No soldier seems to worry over being out of step at the last parade; but he does worry if he feels things are going badly at home. To eliminate these fears Red Cross field directors have been assigned to act as the link between the men and their families. These directors have a splendid organization behind them to assist in case of emergency. By cable they can get in touch with your people in any community in America, and the Red Cross chapter there takes over on the home front.

When a GI consults a Red Cross field director he's getting the impartial and free advice and help of a lawyer, doctor, chaplain, business man, philosopher and friend all rolled into one. Not because Red Cross directors are supermen; but because behind every one of them stands an organization with the knowledge, power and financial strength needed to solve your problem.

Among the services offered are the following: Relief for soldiers' families in . assistance in locating families of soldiers or welfare advice for such families . . . help in securing employment for members of a soldier's family . . . fast communication between a soldier and his family . . . loans to soldiers as circumstances warrant and assistance with business problems resulting from military service.

These are but a few of the varied services which the Red Cross is glad to render. Thousands of cases are handled every month, and if you have a problem or a special worry of your own see the Red Cross and let them help you solve it.

# Hash Marks

T/4 Charles Bradley of a medical unit over here informs us that his outfit has one of the best mascots in the British Isles—a "Welsh collie" named "Boozer." Says Bradley, "Boozer is becoming so Anglified that 'e even drops 'is haitches when 'e 'owls."

There's something new every minute. A New York woman was granted a divorce from her husband. Both are deaf. In



answer to typewritten questions, she testified that he cursed her in sign language.

Flash from the home front! Two women paused in the aisle of a depart-ment store to greet each other and have a bit of a chat. The conversation suddenly turned to the rationing of fuel oil as a war measure, "Well," remarked one of the ladies, "if cutting down on the heat is a patriotic gesture, I'll be looking for my landlord's picture in the paper any day now as the civilian doing the most to help win this war."

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Jap "trap shooting" has become a favorite sport of the Yanks stationed on Guadalcanal. Someone spots a sniper parked in the top of a palm or coconut tree. Then a tank is called into action and the "trapshooters" get set. The tank gently bumps and jostles the tree and the son of a Rising Sun is dislodged from the tree "trap." The Yanks pick him off as he hurtles earthward. him off as he hurtles earthward.

A realistic mother in Fort Worth, Texas, mailed a black-jack, a hunting knife and a pair of brass knucks to her



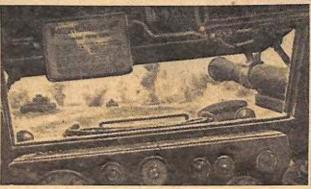
son in the army overseas. She either thinks sonny is taking commando training, or maybe he's been losing at craps and poker.

A University of Tennessee coed walked into her history class, took one look at the examination questions on the board and then fainted. Sounds like an OCS board,

# You Can Lick the Axis Tanks



U.S. infantrymen can knock out of action a 22-ton German Mark IV tank with weapons normally at their disposal as shown in this drawing in LIFE magazine by Noel Sickles. Vulnerable at periscope and vision slits and along the less strongly armed bottom, this medium tank is being machine-gunned in the belly while riflemen aim their Garands at the periscopes and other soldiers toss Molotov cocktails into ventilators.





The driver of this Nazi light tank has opened his port rather than use his periscope, and may wind up with .50-cal. slugs in his head.

Light tanks, like this Jap 3-tonner, are easily destroyed by American .50-cal. machine-guns, which can be used in wrecking the treads of heavier tanks.

### Any U.S. Combat Unit Has Power to Destroy Them

Any American combat unit, using its own weapons and methods of attack, can lick any Axis tank.

Axis tanks, no matter the model, have their weak spots which can be found and successfully attacked.

Such are the conclusions reached in authoritative study of tank warfare made by Artist Noel Sickles in which American Army ground force officers cooperated, and which is reproduced by Life Maga-

Sickles' drawings graphically illustrate the successful methods of attack which infantrymen, engineers, airmen

armored units are taught by Army instructors to put enemy tanks out of action.

Naturally, the tanks are most easily defeated by anti-tank units specifically designed for that purpose. But the fact remains, according to Sickles' research. that in a pinch no combat outfit is helpless against the assault of the armor the enemy is known to have now.

### Mark IV Vulnerable

The German Mark IV, noted for its great successes in the early Libyan campaign, is vulnerable at several spots to infantry attack, the study shows.

Periscope and vision slits are setups for .50-caliber machine-gun fire. The light armor along the bottom and belly also can be punctured by gunfire. Soldiers with accurate arms can toss grenades and Molotov cocktails into side ventilators and open turret tops. Tank treads can't take it too well, and .50-cal. machinegun fire from ground troops and planes can knock one of the lumbering monsters out of service.

Light tanks, such as the three-ton Jap tankette, are particularly susceptible to .50-caliber gun fire. Their armor is not heavy enough to withstand much of it.

rather than using periscopes, giving snipers and machine-gunners ample opportunity to pour lead into the in-

Sickles' drawings suggest two excellent methods for infantry units to employ in halting a tapk attack. Hidden in fox holes or behind brush, the men wait until the tank is so near that it cannot depress its guns sufficiently to fire on them, Soldiers in front hurl grenades in front of the treads and blast the front sprockets. Others to the side of the tank hurl Molotov cocktails into engine ventilators.

### Ambush Gives Edge

Infantry potrols in ambush in woods along roads hold a marked advantage over tanks which stop to refuel. Because tanks, such as the German Mark III, forerunner of the famous IV, get only about a mile to a gallon, they often must stop to gas. Tanks, trucks and lorries with protecting infantrymen converge along the road. Crews emerge from the tanks. Ventilators and turrets are opened. The infantrymen open fire from the woods, cutting down tank crews, fuel-ing crews and infantry.

Engineering units learned much from the battle of France when obstructions and barriers were placed along roads where enemy tanks were expected to come. New type barriers and roadblocks have proved effective in anti-tank warfare.

An enemy armored battalion advanc-An enemy armored battalion advancing along a road may run into a road-block which is protected by riffemen and tracks can be dealt with from cover Tanks may charge the road block in an attempt to destroy it. Road blocks, steel in anti-tank warfare.

tetrahedrons-pointed triangular barriers placed in series-and rows of tree stumps are not intended to destroy tanks but only to halt their progress so that tank destroyer units and infantry can get in their work.

Tanks often will charge tetrahedrons and stumps and "belly" themselves, lifting the treads from the ground and losing traction. Proper method of attempting to pass these obstacles is to shoot them out with gunfire before the assault. Most blocks and barricades are protected by guns which open fire when the tank advance is slowed.

Infantry accompanying tanks often may carry TNT blocks on long poles to use in destroying blockades, but hidden machine-guns and rifles can cut the men down before they can start work.

The American Army employs massive trucks and equipment to recover enemy tanks which blunder into camouflaged traps, holes dug in the ground and covered with a light network of poles, netting and earth. Well directed fire can force the blind tank into the trap, from which it is later removed and the crew captured.

Medium tanks, like the 22-ton Mark IV, are invulnerable to fighter plane Blindness "afflicts all tanks. Drivers attack because of their heavy armor but often make the error of opening ports small shells from the plane's cannon can ruin the tracks.

### Half-Tracks Effective

Half-track tank destroyers are most effective weapons against any type of enemy tank. They mount a high-velocity 75-mm. gun and are most maneuverable. The gun crew is protected from rear attack by other soldiers who leave the truck and prepare to fight off any other enemy opposition.

Field artiflery weapons such as the 105-mm, howitzer are also effective antitank guns. They can be quickly camouflaged, and throw a heavy shell which is sure destruction if a direct hit is scored. Sickles' drawings illustrate that the best attack for the howitzer is from the side, where many tanks, such as those used by the Japs, are most vulnerable.

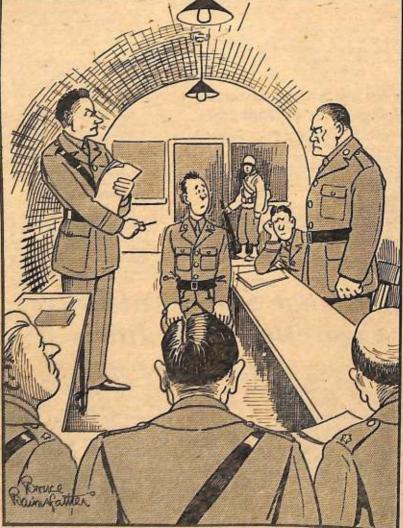
Engineers also use other devices for temporarily halting enemy tank advances so that infantry and artillery units can get in telling blows. Water barriers, four feet or so deep, cause Jap light tanks to flounder and bog down, while machine-

guns pick off crews and enemy engineers who try to bridge the barrier.

Slopes of more than 45 degrees generally will topple medium tanks such as the Mark III, and permit defenders to shoot down crews and accompanying infantrymen.

infantrymen. Sickles used photographs of many types of tanks—the ex-French "Char B." light Czech tanks, light Japs, medium German Mark III and IV and others now in use by the Axis—as the basis for his drawings. He selected from thousands put at his disposal by the Army so that the drawings disposal by the Army so that the drawings would be accurate from all angles.

The drawings have been turned over to the Army for its use in training soldiers



"Now Private Lovejoy, is the prisoner standing over there the man you saw deliver the blow? Remember you're the only eye witness!"

### Scribe Names All-Service **Baseball Team**

### Nine Would Make Any Hurler Wish He'd "Stood in Bed"

NEW YORK, Jan. 20—By way of shut-ting up anyone who claims that ball players are receiving special deferments from being drafted, Bob Considine, Inter-national News Service sports writer, has picked two All-Service baseball teams, either one of which, Considine claims, could win the National or American League pennant by at least 20 games.

Considine lists the first team in a bat-ting order that would make any pitcher wish he had "stood in bed." Here it is:

### Ruffing and Feller Pitching

Phil Rizzuto, Navy, shortstop; Buddy Lewis, Army Air Force, third base; Hank Greenberg, Army Air Force, first base; Ted Williams, Navy Air Arm, left field; Pete Reiser, Army, center field; Enos Slaughter, Army Air Force, right field; Frank Pytlak, Navy, catcher; Benny McCoy, Navy, second base; Red Ruffing, Army, pitcher. Army, pitcher.

The second team would go to bat something like this:

thing like this:

Dom DiMaggio, Coast Guard, right field; Terry Moore, Army Air, center field: Tommy Henrich, Coast Guard, left field; Cecil Travis, Army, second base; Cookie Lavagetto, Navy Air Arm, third base; Johnny Pesky, Navy Air Arm, shortstop; Buddy Hassett, Navy, first base; Birdie Tebbetts, Army, catcher; Bob Feller, Navy, pitcher.

#### A Million-Dollar Team

Rounding out the pipe dream, Considine makes Mickey Cochrane, Navy, manager; George Earnshaw, Navy, Mervyn Shea, Army, coaches; Larry MacPhail, Army, business manager; Joe Cronin, Red Cross, club physician; and Timmy Sullivan, Coest Guard, bat boy. "The first team," says Considine, "might conservatively be called a million-dollar ball club. The second team (it's a laugh to call them seconds) is pretty close to a million dollars.

### Derry Sailors to Meet British in Field Hockey

LONDONDERRY, N.I., Jan. 20—The first field hockey match between U.S. Navy and Royal Navy teams will be held here next Sunday afternoon.

The game will be the first of a series of sports events to be sponsored by the Lion and Eagle Club, allied services group. Others contemplated include ping-pong, soccer and track meets.

NEWS FROM HOME

### Stars and Stripes Fighters Go Through Their Paces



Kayo Features Fliers' Fights

AN AIR SUPPORT STATION, England, Jan. 20—Before a capacity crowd at this station, Air Force boxers completed

at this station, Air Force boxers completed the final card of bouts to choose the men who will represent this station in the finals of the Eighth Air Force tourney to be held in London next month.

Thrill of the evening was provided by Sgt. John Ruth, Philadelphia, 148, who knocked out Pvt. John Barkan, Cleveland, Ohio, 154, in 20 seconds of the first round. Ruth is a former Golden Glover and was lightweight champion of central Pennsylvania.

In a special wrestling match, Sgt. John Paul, 252, who wrestled professionally under the name of Roughhouse John Katash and Eight Man Brooks, flattened Pfc J. T. "Tiny" Nichols, Cooleemee, North Carolina, 286, in two minutes.

Other fight results:

Other fight results: Pfc Charles Wohlwend, Superior, Wfs., 128, outpointed Pfc Harry Beebee, Brattlebero, Vt., 136, in three rounds.
Pfc Trammell Greeson, Detroit, 160, won a close decision over Pvt. Fred Dreier, Baltimore, Md., 161

decision over Pvt, Fred Dreier, Banning and 161.

Sgt, Jack Bird, Iselin, N.J., 162, drew with Pvt. Robert Long, Olney, Texas, 157.

Pfc Tom Collins, Suffern, N.Y., 141, won a decision over Pfc Cliff Brinnington, Endicott, N.Y. 145.

Pfc Ray Bobbitt, Oklahoma City, Okla., 171, won a novice decision over Sgt. Charles Rose, Detroit, Mich., 174.

Get Air Force Commissions

One-Fourth West Point Grads

# WEST POINT, N.Y., Jan. 20—Of 409 West Pointers graduated yesterday, 164 already have earned their wings and will be commissioned directly into the Air Force, a new departure in history of the Academy Axis "Interns" Taylor

Academy. "The United States will build the most powerful striking force from the air the world has ever known," Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson told the graduating class. He expressed confidence that "our planes of new design already on production lines with heavier hammering power " will be more than a match for Nazi planes.

He praised officers being turned out by the Army's officer candidate schools, calling them "worthy comrades" of the

West Pointers to whom he spoke. The U.S., he said, must take its place in fighting alongside its allies, in addition to producing war material. An army of 7,500,000 men, he said, together with other services, would call for a total force of 10,000,000 under arms. This, he said, was not too big a force for the country to support to support.

### Soviet Aid Urged by Mrs. F.D.R.

MONTREAL, Jan. 20 (AP)—Speaking at a Canadian campaign to raise a \$1,000,000 for aid to Russia, Mrs. Roosevelt urged that help should be sent to the Soviet to lighten the load they carry and to strengthen their relient campaign. to strengthen their valiant campaign.

We can rejoice with the Russians that at last the time has come when they can turn the tide of battle and again begin to reconquer their land," she said.

"The people of Great Britain realise that Germany ceased sending the whole weight of her air force over Britain the day the Russian campaign began."

### Frances Farmer in Jail

SANTA MONICA, Cal., Jan. 20— Movie star Frances Farmer is serving a six-month jail term imposed because she violated probation by failing to pay the balance of a \$250 fine for drunken driving. She had been ordered to stay out of trouble and refrain from excessive drinking, but became involved in a night club fight.

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When a detective awoke Frances to arrest her, she fled to the bath room and reappeared nude. The detective persuaded her to dress, so Frances donned clothing

Waner came to the Braves in the Spring of 1941 after a season with the Dodgers who had picked him up from the Pirates. "Big Poison" had a spectacular career with the Pirates, winning the most valuable player award once and the batting championship three times. Last June he slammed out his 3,000th hit to join the elite group of six players who have amassed that total.

Cooney joined the Braves in 1936 after receiving his unconditional release from the Cardinals, who got him and three other Dodgers in exchange for Leo wireless erroneously reported today the internment in Spanish Morocco of Robert Taylor. Actually he was finishing a day's work in the studio when the report came

not been out of the state for

The report stated Taylor was in one of the U.S. bombers which made an emergency landing in Spanish Morocco.

### Brazilian Rubber by Air

BELEM, Brazil, Jan. 20 (AP)—Establishment of a direct air line service with 16 planes a week between Miami and Manaos, Brazil, to transport rubber to the United States is being discussed by Reed Chambers, director of the Defense Supplies Corporation, and Alberto de Barros, Brazil's economic national coordinator.

### Murray Lists CIO Goals

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 20 (AP)—Philip Murray, president of the Committee of Industrial Organization, declared today that upward revision of workers' wages, expansion of the Social Security program and abolition of the poll tax were the primary CIO legislative goals for 1943.

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 20 (AP)-Berlin

A studio spokesman said Taylor had

less abroad.

#### To Win, O'Neill Says Jan. 20-Jovial Steve DETROIT,

Yanks Need DiMaggio

three other Dodgers in exchange for Leo

Durocher.

**Dodgers May** 

GetPaulWaner

BOSTON, Jan. 20—The Boston Braves have unconditionally released veteran out-fielders Paul "Big Poison" Waner and

Johnny Cooney.

Hot on the heels of this announcement came the indication from Branch Rickey that Waner and Cooney, both of whom are over 40 and classified 4-H in the draft, might wind up with the Dodgers. Rickey said, "I'm definitely interested in one of them and maybe both. I kope to have some announcement on this matter in a few days."

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DETROIT, Jan. 20—Jovial Steve O'Neill, who inherited one of baseball's toughest jobs when he took over the management of the Detroit Tigers this Winter, said here today, "There'll be no early finish in the American League race this season, particularly if Joe DiMaggio goes into the services.

The Yankees will always be tough as

long as they have Charlie Keller and Joe Gordon, but DiMaggio is the gap in the lineup and the Yankees may drop as far as third."

O'Neill added that he expects Detroit to "go places" and make up for last season's fifth place finish. "Our pitchers, for one thing, will be as good as any in the League."

### Army Poloists Defeat Vermont

WEST POINT, N.Y., Jan. 20—The Army polo team, three members of which will be graduated next Tuesday, overwhelmed the Norwich horsemen here, 10—1.



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photos

Two chunky, stiff-punching middleweights slug it out toe to toe in the fourth bout of The Stars and Stripes fight card at the Rainbow Corner. Pvt. Thomas Piccnetti, Trento, N.J., ducks and bores in on Sgt. Robert Burry, Detroit, Mich., in a three-round scrap that went to a draw. In the second fight of the evening, Sgt. Lawrence Drouillard, Duluth, Minn., already a two-time winner, took his third straight from Pfc Murray Carlson, Spokane, Wash. Here (left) Carlson, visibly tired, is hanging on in a clinch in the last round. in a clinch in the last round.

### Kentucky Derby Will be Run Even if Only Two Horses Enter

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 20-The 69th Kentucky Derby will be run on May I "even if only two horses go to the post and the crowd doesn't exceed a half dozen." So says Col. Matt Winn, Churchill Downs impressario and the man who runs the Blue Grass turf show.

Winn swore that the only thing that could prevent the Derby would be a Government ban on horse racing.

at could prevent the Derby would be g. He added that the purse money, contributed by Churchill Downs, would remain at \$75,000 as it has been for the last three years.

"I don't anticipate anything approaching the past enormous crowds at the Derby, which were usually between 80,000 and 100,000, this year," Winn went on, "what with gasoline rationed and civilian travel on trains and planes curtailed.

"The likelihood is that the crowd will be made up chiefly of folks from nearby communities. The attendance, however, is secondary. The Derby has never lapsed. It has been running annually for 68 years and my fondest hope is that nothing will and my fondest hope is that nothing will interrupt the perpetuation."

### Hockey League Scorers Led by Bill Cowley

MONTREAL, Jan. 20—Eight points in three games have shot Boston's flashy center, Bill Cowley, to the top of the National Hockey League scoring race with a three point margin over Lorne Carr, leader last week.

Cowley has 44 points, garnered in 29 games from 12 goals and 32 assists. Carr, also in 29 games, has racked up 41 points with 21 goals and 20 assists. Patrick, of the Rangers, is next with 39 points, and he is followed by Billy Taylor, of the Maple Leafs, with 37. Syl Apps, Leafs center, who was the sensation of the League a few weeks back, is fifth with 36 points.

### Basketball Results

Michigan State 55, Dearborn Naval Training 24

Kentucky 38, Georgia Tech 37.

Colgate 55, Hamilton 44.

Oklahoma 60, Oklahoma Naval Training 33.

Indiana State 43. Ball State 24.

Vanderbilt 31, Alabama 27.

Mississippi 37, Tulane 34. Texas University 47, Texas Christian 30. Louisiana State 61, Mississippi State 40. Niapara 66. Scranton 49. Kentucky Wesleyan 54, Transylvania 31, Centre 45, Georgetown 42. Hamline 40, Concordia 28.
Bowling Green 49, Ohio Northern 28,
Olathe Naval Air Base 50, Baker 32,
Milliken 45, Charleston Teachers 44,
Elmburst 46, Wheaton 37,
Illinois State Normal 41, Eureka 36,
Wabash 55, Depatuw 41,
Wartburg 40, Iowa 38,
Grosse Isle Naval 38, St. Mary 32,
St. Basediers 40, Respective 38, Hamline 40, Concordia 28, Grosse Iste Naval 38, 5t. Mary 32. St. Benedicts 49, Rosecrans 38. Camp Grant 77, Loras 36. McPherson 50, Bethel 40. Drury 41, William Jewell 31. Midland 44, Omaha 42. East Texas State 39, Ouachita 32. McMurry 37, Daniel Baker 27.

### AAU Selects Dodds Over MacMitchell

### Boston Runner Gets Nod On All-American Track And Field Team

NEW YORK, Jan. 20-The annual AAU All-American track and field has been announced by Dan Ferris, AAU secretary, in the official athletic almanac and track and field guide issued by the AAU for 1943.

Most debatable selection is the choice of Gil Dodds, Boston AA star, over NYU's ace, Leslie MacMitchell, for the 1,500-meter position. MacMitchell beat Dodds two out of three times indoors and reeled off the year's fastest milefour min., seven and eight-tenths seconds
—but Dodds copped both the national
indoor mile and the outdoor 1,500-meter

Lt. Joe McCluskey, New York AC, won the 10,000 meters spot, marking the twelfth time Fordham Joe has made the team. Lou Gregory, Millrose AA, is listed for the tenth year. Cornelius Warmerdam, San Francisco Olympic Club, and Ensign Fred Wolcout, Georgia Predigiely Training Station, appear for the Preflight Training Station, appear for the fifth year.

John Borican, the middle distance runner who died last month of pernicious anaemia, placed twice, in the 880 and 1,000 yard events.

### The Team

Here is how the team lines up: 60 yds.—Barney Ewell, Penn State, 100 yds.—Harold Davis, San Francisco Olympic

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440 yds.—Cliff Bourland, Southern California AA.
600 yds.—Roy Cochran, Great Lakes Naval Training Station.
880 yds.—John Borican, Asbury Park AC.
1.000 yds.—Borican,
1.500 mtrs.—Gil Dodds, Boston AA.
5.000 mtrs.—Gil Dodds, Boston AA.
5.000 mtrs.—Gegory Rice, New York AC.
15.000 mtrs.—John Kelley, Boston Edison AC.
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40.000 mtrs.—Don Heineke, Baltimore White Horse Society.

Marathon—Fred McGlone, Norfolk YMCA.
Cross, country—Frank Dixon, NYU.
Steeplechase—George DeGeorge, New York AC.

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70-3d. hurdles—Fred Wolcott, unattached,
Houston, Texas.
110-mtr. hurdles—William Cummins, Rice

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110-mtr, burdles—William Cummins, Rice University.

200-mtr, hurdles—Robert Wright, Ohio State.

400-mtr, hurdles—Walter Smith, Southern California, AA.

3,000-mtr, walk—John Connolly, New York AC.

10,000-mtr, walk—James Wilson, unattached, New York.

15,000-mtr, walk—Connolly.

15,000-mtr, walk—William Mihalho, Thompson Products, Detroit.

30,000-mtr, walk—William Mihalho, Thompson Products, Detroit.

50,000-mtr, walk—William Mihalho, Michigan Boys' Club.

50,000-mtr, walk—Milhalo.

Running high lump—Adam Berry, Southern University.

Running broad jump—Billy Brown, Norfolk Naval Training Station.

Hop, step and jump—Browt.

Pole vault—Cornelius Warmerdam, San Francisco Olympic Club.

16-lih. shot put—Al Blozis, New York AC.

35-lib. weight throw—Berst.

Hammer throw—Maj. Chester Cruickshank,

Camp Devens, Mass.

Discus throw—Robert Fitch, University of Minnesota.

Javelin throw—Boyd Brown, San Francisco Olympic Club.

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Olympic Club.
Decathlon—William
DeKalb, III,
Terwilliger, unattached.

### Jacobs Seeking to Match Callura and Pep in Garden

NEW YORK, Jan. 20—Mike Jacobs has opened negotiations to match Jackie Callura, who mauled Pittsburgh Jackie Wilson into submission at Providence, R.I., Monday night, with Willie Pep, recognized as the world featherweight titleholder by the New York State Boxing Commission. Commission.

Callura won the National Boxing Association's featherweight title in the Providence scrap and Jacobs is anxious to bring the two champions together and settle the confusion. He hopes to stage the match in Madison Square Garden sometime in March. He hopes to stage

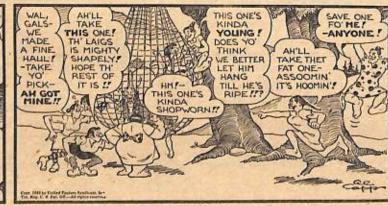
Meanwhile, at Hartford, Conn., Pep-using his slick hit-and-run tactics, danced his way to his 58th consecutive victory by defeating Bill Speary, Nanticote, Pa., in a strictly non-title ten rounder.

### News on the Air

News is broadcast on both the Home and Forces programs at 7 AM, 8 AM, 1 PM, 6 PM and 9 PM. An additional broadcast is on the Home Service at Midnight. Sports news from America is presented by The Stars and Stripes on the Forces at 7 PM every day.







### Allies Mop Up Isolated Japs **On Sanananda**

### Yanks on Guadalcanal Kill Over 1,000 in Five Days

By the United Press

Allied forces have seized the village of Sanananda at Sanananda Point and are pushing east along the coast to Giruwa, on Papua, New Guinea, according to today's communique from Australia.

From Washington comes the announcement that during the period Jan. 13 to Jan. 17 inclusive, 1,032 Japanese were killed in various actions between U.S and enemy forces on Guadakanal."

Heavy casualties were inflicted on the Japs near Sanananda and 27 prisoners were taken. Only isolated enemy pockets of resistance remain to be mopped up by the advancing Allied forces.

Lae, Timor, Gasmata, and Salamaua are among targets attacked again by Allied planes keeping up their relentless attacks on Jap bases in the area.

A small Allied vessel has been sunk in Australian waters with two casualties. All others of the crew were rescued.

During the afternoon of Jap. 18 a force of Flying Fortress heavy bombers with fighter escort bombed a Jap cargo ship which was anchored in the Shortland Island area. Two hits were scored on the vessel, which was left burning.

Two enemy float-type Zeros were shot down and one of our fighters failed to

#### U.S. Planes Raid Burma

BOMBAY, India, Jan. 20 (AP)—Heavy bombers of the Tenth U.S. Air Force yesterday bombed the docks at Basse in Burma, which has been used by the enemy for a headquarters, according to today's communique issued here.

A combined formation of fighters and bombers from bases in India have main-tained bombing and strafing attacks against enemy installations at Kamaign in Northern Burma for the past two days.

On Jan. 18, three large and 16 small fires among enemy installations were reported after a closely pressed attack.

On Jan. 19 the attack was resumed in greater force, using both high-explosive

and incendiary bombs, direct hits were reported on a building used as Jap head-quarters, on an enemy barracks and a warehouse.

As a result of these operations it is estimated that half of the enemy base was completely destroyed.

In all the foregoing missions we lost no planes or pilots.

### Oxford Group **Denied Appeal**

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (AP)—Appeals for occupational deferments for nine members of the Moral Rearmament Incorporated (Oxford Group) were denied by a draft appeals board, number four, which backed its opinion by sharply denouncing the MRA.

The local draft board previously refused to remove 25 out of 28 members of MRA from class 1A, under which

of MRA from class 1A, under which they would be subject to immediate callup, and the other three cases were pend-ing before a local board. The appeals board decision was

The appeals board decision was apparently the last resort of MRA members who wished to escape military

#### Girl Mail Carrier, 18. Rescues Snow-bound Man

OLD FORGE, N.Y., Jan. 20—Anne Gibbs, 18, mail carrier between Old Forge and Raquette Lake, noticed an accumula-tion of mail in a box near Fourth Lake.

She skied a mile over high snowbanks and discovered Timothy Marsh, 79, in a small cabin. He was snowbound and down to his last half cup of oatmeal and was breaking up furniture to keep a fire

Improvising a toboggan, Anne towed him to the mail truck and drove him to town for frost-bite treatment, Marsh, town for frost-bite treatment. Marsh, who decided to remain at the summer camp after his wife and daughter returned to their Cranford, N.J., home, explained that he had been marooned three weeks.

"The girl looked like an angel to me,"

### Brazilian Envoy Sees Yanks

CAIRO, Jan. 20-J. A. Barbosa, Brazilian Minister to Egypt, expressed great satisfaction at work he saw yesterday while visiting an American depot here. One of the camp streets is named after him.

#### More Canteens From U.S.

Bertram Cruger, representative of the British War Relief Society of America, has turned over four mobile canteens to the Church Army, making a total of 50 so far in the war.

### Switzerland Spies Executed

Swiss radio announced that sentence of death was carried out yesterday afternoon on three persons accused of espionage in Switzerland.

### U.S. Marines Will Have Pipe Band by Easter

LONDONDERRY, Jan. 20-Capt V. L. Kirkman, commandant of the U.S. naval base here, is another step nearer realization of his dream-to hear the skirl of the first bagpipes in the U.S. Marines by Easter.

William Foster, Londonderry, and Sgt. Carlton E. Hyland, music sergeant of marines here, are going to Scotland to buy 12 sets of bagpipes for Capt. Kirkman's proposed new marine pipe band, first of its kind in the American forces.

The band will consist of 24 members, and 40 Marines now are taking lessons from Foster, who was appointed civilian instructor. Foster played pipes in Londonderry 30 years ago, before World War I.

### Japs Hard Hit By Loss of Ships

#### Yank Subs Alone Sink 117 Vessels in Pacific Area

NEW YORK, Jan. 20 (AP)—Slashing steadily at Japan's vital and long extended supply lines, Allied subs, warships and planes have destroyed at least 445 Japanese naval and merchant ships, according to a tabulation of official appropriements.

announcements.

Reports from Axis sources indicate that the Japanese are facing a serious shipping

Recent reports from Axis propaganda sources said that the Japanese were striving to overcome transport shortages by the construction of a large number of the Chinese-type of Junks and tremendous bamboo rafts.

#### Into Jap Harbors

American submarines, sometimes slipping up the mouths of Japan's great harbors, have alone sunk 117 vessels, probably sunk 22 and damaged 31.

The Japs have been hard hit by the loss of 98 cruisers and destroyers, essential for convoy duties.

On the basis of U.S. Army and Navy announcements, the Japs have lost 57 vessels in the Solomons and 15 in the Aleutians.

A War Department spokesman said

A War Department spokesman said that Gen, MacArthur's forces destroyed 19 warships and 86 merchantmen in the New Guinea campaign.

### Raid - -

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districts which they bombed and machinegunned. They also gunned a village street on their way to London as children were leaving a school and injured one woman.

A southeast coast town also suffered as the raiders raced in over Beachy Head, then fanned out over Kent and Sussex to strike at several sections of London's outskirts. Some of the 100 fighters which patrolled the Channel attacked villages in the south, machine-gunning streets.

During the raid, barrage balloons were shot down in flames and one was destroyed on the ground. The six enemy planes which reached London emptied their guns on streets and homes, knocked out several residences and stores, and then fled back to the protection of their

It was the first time London had been bombed in daylight since July 17, 1942, and the first daylight afert since Oct. 26.

While the raiders were over England, Sir Archibald Sinclair, Air Minister, reported that 1,337 bombers operating from Britain were lost over Germany and Western Europe in 1942, compared with 1,242 during 1941.

### Nazis Would Call off 'Battle of the Capitals'

Hints came yesterday from Axis sources that the Germans would just as soon call it quits in the "Battle of The Capitals."

German-controlled Calais radio said for 14 months there had been a "sort of gentleman's agreement between the RAF and the Luftwaffe in respect to the bomb-ing of London and Berlin," but the RAF broke it. Berliners have been consoling themselves for months, a neutral infor-mant says, with the rumour of the secret pact. British officials ridiculed it as

Blondie

# Escaped from Axis Submarine to Malta Brig. Gen. Hill



This picture, radioed to London from Malta, shows the two American fliers who were held prisoners on an Italian submarine that was attacked and sunk by an RAF plane piloted by John Cartwright (center). The Americans, Lt. J. C. Lentz, Paris, Tex. (left), and Lt. E. S. Millechamp, Lake Wales, Fla. (right), were picked up by a British destroyer and brought to Malta after swimming in the Mediterranean for two hours.

### The Shoe Department Frolics Through Miscellaneous Items

" A Pair of Shoes for Every Soldier." Before polishing off today's Shoes, how-ever, The Stars and Stripes will frolic from the straight and narrow path to locate a guy's lighter, find another guy's sergeant, tell you where the lieutenant is.

sergeant, tell you where the lieutenant is.

The lieutenant is Jacob Lewis, who writes that his APOs have changed so fast lately his mail can't do anything with him. To whom it may concern: Lt. Jacob Lewis, new APO, 519.

Next is T/Sgt. Wallace Tharp, APO 634, who is in a bomb group. He'd like to hear from M/Sgt. "Spike" Hendrix, veteran of any number of foreign wars whose picture appeared recently in this newspaper. The next move is up to Hendrix.

M/Sgt, Donald C. Smith, No. 6833053, of an Eighth Air Force medical outfit, trusts human nature.

"During Christmas, on furlough, I visited the Snack Bar in the Washington Club to coke up, and as the first round tasted so good I went back for a refuel. During the minute or less I was absent from my table, my cigarette lighter was absconded by an unknown Private First Class.

along the side in gold. This was a gift to me by my wife. It is requested you run an appeal to this chap in your paper to return it to you—no questions asked. I will be more than glad to pay him more than he could obtain by the hocking process."

STHON

There is the sergeant's appeal; we will be glad if he gets his lighter back, because a type slave in this office recently lost his lighter at a staff meeting; an old, black, semi-GI lighter that didn't work, but he, too, has a cold eye on the Shoe Department and the Shoe Department will be happy if one of you genuses will kick in

happy if one of you geniuses will kick in and get us off the spot. No questions asked here, either.

Shoes: Pvt. Abraham Friend, ASN 12026463, APO 874, needs 11½ EEEs. Pfc Alfred M. Lang, APO 29, needs 13½ Ds; and 1st Sgt. John J. Goggins has inquired for a sait of size of fee for Park

quired for a pair of simple 16s for Pvt. Louis A. Voll, 32181829. Cpl. L. W. Conover, an engineer, phoned for a pair of 141 Bs for T/5 J. J. Glendon and 14 Ds for Pvt. Manuel

Private First Class.

"My lighter was a Ronson, metal colored, with the initials' DCS engraved who has any of the above sizes available will oblige by notifying The Stars and Stripes, Printing House Sq., London, E.C.4. Any quartermaster or supply sergeant

### 2 High Awards Chile Has Cut **ToBunaHeroes** TiesWith Axis

ALLIED HQ, Australia, Jan. 20 (AP)

—Gen. Douglas MacArthur has awarded a posthumous distinguished service cross for extraordinary heroism to 1st Lt. James G. Downer, Inf., 37th. Div., the award going to his wife, Mrs. Helen Downer, Route 1, Bowling Green, Ky.

He also gave the Oak Leaf Cluster in

He also gave the Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second DFC to Col. Gordon S. Rogers, General Staff Corps, Presidio, San Francisco.

Lt. Downer was cited for extraordinary heroism near Buna, Dec. 9, during an attempt to capture an enemy machinegun emplacement which was holding up the advance. He led a patrol of five men against it with complete disregard to personal safety. Although fully aware of the great danger he preceded his patrol, covering its advance with his own fire and, through his courageous example, inenemy position. He was killed by enemy sniper fire during this action.

Col. Rogers was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross in action near

Buna Dec. 5, when he personally led assault platoons to attack under heavy fire from snipers at close range.

### Lord Halifax Entertains Yanks in Washington

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (AP)-In a WASHINGTON, Jan. 20 (AP)—In a Democratic gesture, reminiscent of Mrs. Roosevelt's informally inviting a private soldier to dinner at the White House recently, Lord and Lady Halifax entertained 25 American and 25 British sailors to tea at the British Embassy.

The gathering engaged in a sing-song with piano accompaniment afterwards.

(By courtesy of King Features Syndicate and the London Daily Sketch)

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 20 (AP)—It was reported from Santiago, Chile, last night that the Chilean Senate had approved a break with the Axis.

Political circles reported that a private session of the Senate began taking a vote early in the evening on a motion approv-ing President Rios' "decision" to break relations with the Axis.

Suspected spies who have been under observation for some time would be rounded up, while a number of Axis propaganda organizations and publications would be closed, informed circles said. Preparations to place strategic ports and mining centers under martial law were taken on Monday, when President Rios decreed "zones of emergency."

Axis diplomats were expected to proceed home via Argentina, which will be the only country in the Western Hemisphere to maintain diplomatic relations

with the Axis.

### 300 American Soldiers Will See 'Wake Island'

A group of 300 American soldiers will be guests of the Odeon Theater, Craven Park, Harlesden, at a special showing of the film "Wake Island" Saturday morning.

Leaving in a body from the American Red Cross Rainbow Corner, where invitations may be obtained, the soldiers will be met at Harlesden Station at 9.45 AM by 150 Home Guards, who will form a guard of honor and accompany them to the theater. There they will be greeted by a committee headed by the Mayor of Willesden.

### by Chic Young



# Commands U.S. Ireland Force

#### New Chief of Troops Is Qualified Balloon, Plane Pilot

BELFAST, Jan. 20-Brig. Gen. Edmund W. Hill, commanding general, U.S. troops in Northern Ireland, told correspondents today that he was "very pleased" with his new command here. The General explained he is no stranger to Northern Ireland, having made an extended tour of the country in 1920.

A qualified pilot of practically every type of plane, the new Commanding General here added that he is "delighted with the progress being made by units of the Eighth Air Force composite com-mand," and expressed appreciation for the cooperation given by the RAF.

"The RAF is a great group of people and they have done everything in the world to help us," Gen. Hill said.

#### Pilots Own Plane

A member of the Air Force since 1920, the General still pilots his own plane regularly, as well as handling the count-less details of his executive position.

He was born in New London, Conn., in 1896, and graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He entered the Army in 1917. After World War I, he served 18 months in Germany in the Army of Occupation, and during that period transferred from the Infantry to the Air Corps.

The General is a qualified free balloon pilot as well as a recognized flier of all kinds of heavier-than-air ships. He also is a graduate of the Air Corps Technical School, the Command and General Staff School and the Army War College.

Several years ago he was a member of the delegation of U.S. Army fliers who made a "good will" tour of South American countries, and later became an assistant to Lt. Gen. H. H. Arnold, chief of the U.S. Air Force.

### Russia - - -

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ground was being disputed, and the guns were thundering in the forests without pause. The Russians were bringing up tanks over the icebound marshes, and Soviet fighter planes strafed the enemy from the air in spite of the bad weather conditions.

On the Central Front hard fighting was still going on as the Nazis clung to strong positions southwest of Veliki Luki and Rzhev.

The Voronezh front sagged badly as the Italians, Hungarians and Germans seemed unable to check the speedy advance of the Russian troops. In the arra east of the Kamensk-Rossosh rail-way the Russian troops surrounded a large group of the enemy, and violent fighting was in progress. Many of the enemy had already surrendered, and those who resisted were being wiped out.

More than 1,000 Fascists were taken prisoner in this sector. Many trucks and guns and large quantities of ammunition were captured.

The number of prisoners captured in the area of Voronezh front has reached 52,000, including 27,000 Hungarians, 22,000 Italians and 2,500 Germans.

The enemy launched frequent counter-attacks and held on stubbornly in many centers of resistance. In Valuiki the Germans had a large garrison and strong de-fenses, but were unable to hold out against the Russian onslaught.

As soon as the Soviet troops approached the centers of resistance the Germans launched counter-attacks, but the strong points were outflanked by the Russians and the enemy compelled to retreat

### Third Daughter Born To Princess Juliana

OTTAWA, Canada, Jan. 20 (UP)—
"She looks splendid—I am very happy and very glad," was the first comment of Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands here last night, after his wife, Princess Juliana, had given birth in the Ottawa Civic Hospital to her third daughter. She weighed 7 lb. 12 ounces.

So far, there has been no indication

So far, there has been no indication of the baby's name, but officials say that it is not improbable that she will be named after Queen Wilhelmina, who was informed of the birth over the telephone by Prince Bernhard.

### Report Convoy at Gibraltar

Paris radio reported yesterday that a convoy of 13 Allied ships had arrived at Gibraltar from the Atlantic, according to the Associated Press. One aircraft carrier, three cruisers, several destroyers and corvettes also arrived, the radio claimed. claimed.

### Jap Prime Minister III

Tojo, the Japanese Prime Minister, is suffering from a slight illness, according to Tokio report quoted by the German radio. As a result, the Jap Diet will not be summoned Jan. 21, as is customary, but will meet Jan. 28.

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