Daily German Lesson Sprechen Sie langsam Spreshen Zee lahukzahm Speak slowly

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Daily French Lesson Je vous remercie de m'avoir offert a boire Juh voo ramairSEE duh maywar o-fair a boar Thanks for the drink SATURDAY, Oct. 21, 1944

Nazis Lose First Big City as Aachen Falls Smash Inland on Philippine Isle



Reds Capture Belgrade; Push On in Hungary

Soviet armies yesterday captured Bel-grade, capital of Jugoslavia, and the Hungarian communications center of Debrecen, 115 miles east of Budapest, while on the East Prussian front a re-lentless Russian offensive overran 15 miles of Reich border and seized an estimated 40 square miles of German territory.

Fall of Belgrade and Debrecen was announced by Marshal Stalin last night in separate orders of the day.

Shortly afterward the Moscow communique announced an enemy force

solity alterward the Moscow com-munique announced an enemy force-southwest of Belgrade had been "liqui-dated" with a loss to the Germans of 9,000 killed and 8,000 captured.

Belgrade, mopped up with the aid of Marshal Tito's Jugoslav Partisans, was the seventh capital to be entered by the



Russians-following upon Helsinki, Tallinn, Riga, Kaunas, Bucharest and

Debrecen's seizure came on the 13th day of a gigantic tank battle still raging south of the city. Almost simultaneous with Moscow's announcement of its capture, German News Agency's Col. Ernst von Hammer reported a Soviet armored spearhead had reached a railway town 30 miles beyond Dabrecom suggesting the miles beyond Debrecen-suggesting the Russians were moving through Hungary much faster than their communiques

Moscow still cloaked the Red Army's two-way blow at East Prussia in opera-tional silence, but German reports indicated the Russians to the north had pushed within 30 miles of the rail hub of Insterburg. Insterburg.

Churchill Quits Moscow And Stalin Sees Him Off

MOSCOW, Oct. 20 (LIP)—Prime Minister Churchill and Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden left Moscow today after

an II-day visit. They were seen off at the airport by Marshal Stalin, the first time Stalin per-sonally has bade farewell to any foreign This pock-marked dwelling-house, like many others in fallen Aachen, seems smitten by a bad case of smallpox after the city's terrific bombing and shelling. U.S. engineers are shown clearing debris as the battle raged just ahead.

Trap SS Remnants In Aachen's Outskirts

The week-long battle for Aachen ended at 3:30 PM yesterday when U.S. First Army doughboys cleared the last fanatical SS troops from the ruined frontier city-the first German city of importance to fall in this war. A small pocket of Germans was still holding out beyond the city limits, but the city itself was completely in the hands of Lt. Gen. Courtney H.

Planes Sweep Rhine Valley

Communications in the Rhine Valley were attacked yesterday by 150 Ninth Air Force fighter-bombers, while Italy-based 15th Air Force heavies plastered German, Czechoslovak and Italian targets.

About 30 Lightnings fought a battle over Cologne with 36 enemy fighters, of which ten were shot down. Seven U.S. fighters are missing.

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The heavies bombed oil-storage facilities on the Danube at Regensburg, 60 miles north of Munich, and objectives

near Crus, 50 miles northeast of Prague, More than 1,000 RAF heavy bombers blasted Stuttgart and Nuremburg, electrical and engineering centers in the Reich, Thursday night. A lighter attack was made on Weisbaden in the Rhine-

Bad weather curtailed operations by British-based U.S. heavies yesterday.

'Big Bertha' Weans a Baby

WITH U.S. THIRD ARMY, Oct. (AP)—A German offspring of "Big Bertha," the gun which was used in the last war to shell Paris, has made its appearance on Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's front and has been lobbing 700-

pound shells loosely over a wide area.

The big railway gun has been playing hide and seek in the area between Metz and Nancy, firing a few hours in one area and then a few hours in another for

Some weeks.

A censorship ban on news that the gun was operating was lifted today. Firing at a range of more than 30 miles, the gun is inaccurate in the extreme and the gunners are lucky if hits are scored within

a mile of targets aimed at.

It is useful only for harassing fire against big targets like cities.

Three New Features Monday

The Stars and Stripes will present three new features to its readers in Monday' edition—a photoquiz contest, a cross-word puzzle and our readers' answer to the question; "How do you explain the continued frenzy on the part of American girls for Frank Smatra?"

Hodges's army. Dispatches said that for all practical purposes Aachen was destroyed. Its famed cathedral was almost undamaged,

however, indicating how accurately American guns and Allied planes had struck against purely military objectives in the punishment administered the city after the Nazi commander had rejected surrender terms offered on Oct. 10. Ordered by Hitler to hold the city at all costs, because its fall would have an ominous significance for every other city in the Third Reich, the SS troops held

out to the last. A 155-mm, gun literally blew apart the building which the Nazis had turned into a last strongpoint.

"Aachen is ours," said an American officer at the front. "When we knocked out that building we knocked out the guts of their defense. Now we hold all of the city proper and have only a clean-up job in the outskirts."

Casualties are Light

A correspondent broadcasting from the front said the casualties in the battle for the city were the lightest ever sustained in an action of this kind.

The fight for Aachen was a battle within a battle, for while the Americans inside the city had been beating down the SS garrison other First Army units had thrown back repeated German counter-attacks against the encircling

Now the SS troops—estimated to number between 500 and 1,000—have been forced into a narrow trap in the outskirts of Aachen. About 2,000 of the garrison have been captured since the battle began.

Apparently realizing the city was lost them, the Germans turned heavy tillery against Aachen Wednesday artillery (Continued on page 4)

Gale Blows Itself Out After Killing at Least 26

CHARLESTON, S.C., Oct. 20 (ANS) The tropical hurricane which killed at least 26 persons and caused property damage in Florida and Cuba was diminishing in force today, although weather officials predicted flood tides in both Carolinas.

All warnings south of Savannah, Ga., were ordered lowered and hurricane flags were replaced by storm warnings from Savannah to Charleston. It was esti-mated that the wind inflicted \$20,000,000 damage to Florida's citrus crop.

Corregidor Veterans Among Invaders at H-Hour of Revenge

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HQ IN THE PHILIPPINES, Oct. 20 (AP)-American troops were driving inland toward the fertile valleys of Leyte Island tonight in a powerfull shell- and bomb-prepared invasion which brought Gen. Douglas A. MacArthur, accompanied by every able-bodied survivor of Corregidor, back to the Philippines.

Operations are proceeding according to schedule tonight. The Japanese were caught strategically off guard by the attack.

MacArthur said, in a message to Gen. George C. Marshall, U.S. Army chief of staff, that his troops had sustained "extremely light losses," and that the enemy was taken unawares because he expected an attack farther

One Jap Plane The attack left the Japanese forces on Mindanao—large island just south of Rose to Battle In Philippines

By Dean Schedler

Associated Press War Correspondent
WITH MACARTHUR AT LEYTE, Oct. 20—Unopposed by Japan's Navy, American battleships and American and Australian cruisers laid a thunderous fire along the beaches as U.S. troops stormed ashore on this island in the central Philip-

pines.

At H-Hour an enemy plane appeared, but strong anti-aircraft fire from the war-

At H-Hour an enemy plane appeared, but strong anti-aircraft fire from the warships brought it down.

As the heavy naval fire raised billowing columns of smoke, carrier-based planes from Adm. William F. Halsey's Third Fleet and Vice-Adm. Thomas C. Kinkaid's Seventh Fleet bombed and strafed the beach. High overhead Hellcat Avengers patrolled the sky. It was only minutes before the few salvoes from 16-inch guns increased into a continuous barrage which echoed and recehoed across San Pedro Bay.

With brazen boldness the great battleships worked slowly along the shore, splitting the air with belching flame as the guns cracked round after round over the heads of the crouching infantrymen.

As we moved up to the entrance of Leyte Gulf, this huge convoy stretched across the Pacific as far as the eye could see. In it was every available man who was lifted from Corregidor 24 years ago.

This was one of the most far-reaching amphibious operations of all timemoving 1,300 miles from the starting-point. This huge convoy was assembled at bases in Dutch New Guinea on the afternoon of Oct. 13 (Friday the 13th). Ships of every description moved slowly into position, and we advanced in strict radio silence and a stealthy blackout.

Ahead of us and in the center of the

radio silence and a stealthy blackout.

Abead of us and in the center of the convoy were transports packed with hundreds of battle-rested jungle troops and equipment. Around them were landing craft of all descriptions and sizes.

5th and 8th Take Towns in Italy

ALLIED HQ, Italy, Oct. 20 (Reuter)-Eighth Army troops today smashed into Cesena, first big town up the Rimini-Bologna road, breaking through a stub-

born defense.

On the Fifth Army front, American troops captured Lorenzone, 64 miles from the Rimini-Bologna highway.

American troops attempting to drive northward on the Florence-Bologna road from Poggioli, nine miles from Bologna. met strong counter-attacks

Death Sentence for Laval

A Marseilles court yesterday passed a sentence of death on Pierre Laval, in his absence, Algiers radio reported. The Vichy leader was accused of collaboration with the control of the con with the enemy.

o the south.

Leyte—"no longer important" because they are practically cut off.

In one of the most dramatic strokes of the war, MacArthur thrust his advanced head-quarters 600 miles north from Morotal, split the Japanese defenses in half and brought his and brought his forces within 415 miles of the Philippine capital, Manila.

MACARTHUR

The ground forces which poured ashore in the Gulf of Leyte from a huge convoy under the protection of a terrific naval and air bombardment knifed their way on to the east coast of Leyte Island and swiftly seized three strong beachheads along an 11-mile stretch.

While the American troops were pouring ashore from northern and southern attack forces under shattering fire from battleships, cruisers and destroyers, augmented by hundreds of Adm. William F. Halsey's fighters and bombers, tocketfiring ships were working close inshore, lending direct support to the infantry.

On D-Day-minus-three, a combat team landed on the northern tip of Dinagat Island and on the southern portion of Homolon Island bordering the entrance to Leyte Gulf, securing and capturing enemy installations.

Set Marker Beacons ing ashore from northern and southern

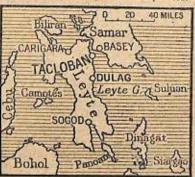
Set Marker Beacons

These forces set small marker beacons as a guide for the convoy.

Prior to D-Day, minesweeping units and special naval demolition squads cleared the approaches to the objective area. Tons of steel from naval units blasted the landing areas in preliminary bombardment attacks yesterday and last

While his troops were thrusting into Leyte, MacArthur told the Filipino people in a broadcast that he had fulfilled his yow to return, made 2½ years ago, and that he had brought with him the Philippines president, Sergio Osmena, and his cabinet, who have already resulting the desired that the product of the p established their government on Philippine a

MacArthur called on the people to "rise and strike" their Japanese conquerors.



Stars and Stripes Map

No Jungle to Fight on Leyte

LEYTE ISLAND, Oct. 20 (AP)—For joined at several points by lateral roads leading through a broad valley.

MacArthur's artillery will have wide the first time since Gen. MacArthur started fighting his way back to the started fighting his way back to the Philippines his army will have room to maneuver. Previously his troops have always had to fight a jungle campaign.

Leyte is the eighth largest Philippine island, and orderly rows of palm trees fringe the sandy beaches of the eastern coastline for 40 miles south of Tacloban.

Skifting the coast is an all-weather road

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Publicity Costs Lives Oct. 15, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,

Having just read some of the plans for post-war Germany, we find ourselves highly browned off. It seems to us that certain high officials should keep their plans to themselves until the war is won. By publishing them now they are only prolonging the war with more American

lives being lost instead of saved.

Instead of causing the Germans to surrender, they are causing them to fight to the last ditch. Also the publication of these post-war plans is causing the German people to organize behind the German Army, making the occupation of the fatherland doubly difficult.

The fighting troops would appreciate it if the officials who sit behind large desks and enjoy all the comforts of life would been their alreasy than the conforts of life would been their alreasy than the conforts of life would been their alreasy than the conforts of life.

would keep their plans to themselves until the right time. They then would be doing the soldiers a great service.—Three Paratroop Sgts. in Holland.

Repl. GI Has Mail Gripe Oct. 10, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,

I have read about practically everything in B-Bag but one particular thing—the ETO mail situation, and I think every Repl. Gl will agree with me on this.

The people back home think we are

getting our mail, but as a rule it's only after waiting six or eight weeks. They stick columns and a lot of crap in magazines and papers: "Write the men in service and keep their morale up." But what damn good does it do if it never gets here? I am afraid Uncle Sam will have to keep all us GIs in service after the war is over sending his damn mail back

So let's try and concentrate on it for a few seconds instead of wasting our time deciding who should wear the ETO ribbon. Yes, "I will see the chaptain." I haven't forgotten him. He undoubtedly has the same trouble, but for his sake

let's hope he doesn't.

I don't know about the "lucky" guys in an outlit, I have never had that pleasure as yet.—Just another disgusted Repl. Co. GI with a strong military mind.—Pyt. James McGehee, 38599139.

Laundry's Got His Buttons Oct. 18, 1944.

Dear Stars and Stripes,

A small item perhaps in this war effort of us Joes in the ETO, but an item which has caused me considerable discomfort and a source of no little irritation for quite some time is the laundry service afforded in this theater. I have never been adept at the art of sewing on buttons. Right now I have no safety pins and no buttons on my drawers.

What shall I do? I don't claim to be

as busy as the proverbial one-armed paperhanger, but even so I do not like to look forward to a session with needle and thread every time my laundry is returned. I wonder if a small gripe like this might bring this matter to the attention of those in charge of cleaning and perhaps time and effort can be spared in mine and numberless other cases.— Martin P. Doherty, Pic, Air Corps.

Advice to Chemical Co.

Dear Stars and Stripes, Oct. 13, 1944 In regards to the gripe in Oct. 12 edi-tion about a chemical co. bitching because they didn't receive the Bronze In the first place some of those Gls had better stop and realize a war is still going on. In the second place there are a lot of fellows here in Ward 7 direct

from France and Germany that would gladly change places with them. you medal lovers want rewards so bad, why not try getting into a front-line outfit with an MI?

So wise up and concentrate on the war a little more and quit the bitching.—Sgt. S. Stubblefield, Pvt. M. Konopha, Pfc A. Lush, S/Sgt. Clarence A. Ferguson, Pfc M. G. Small, Pvt. H. Donovon, Pvt. Raymond Little, Pvt. L. Seyer—Army Hosp., Pl.

New Fatigues for POWs

Dear Stars and Stripes, Oct. 17, 1944 We think we have a genuine "bitch," We are one of several Auto Maintenance outfits in the UK. For the past several months salvage has been extremely Class "B" for our outfits. We did not complain until it came to our attention that hundreds of Italian prisoners are wear-ing new class "A" fatigue clothing, while our boys, who need fatigue clothing so badly in their work, must be satisfied the very poorest type of such clothing.

Like many other units here, we can use the time-worn expression, "We are only on this side because the powers have willed it so." Be that as it may, our work here is essential, and we think we are entitled to decent working clothes. This condition does not help the already difficult job of supplying a company in the UK .- An ETO supply sergeant,

Hash Marks

We like the philosophy of this little

A furlough is such crazy stuff
Of which you never get enough.
It leaves you sad, it leaves you sorrowed
When you think of all the dough you borrowed.

A Major over here who has a small daughter still in the diaper stage affec-tionately calls her his "Safety-Pin-Up

Some of the guys who think it would be sort of nice to go home within the next year or so are studying the mustering-out plan and have created a new

rank. It's PFO—Private First Out.

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Daffynition. Old-fashioned girl: One who stays home when she has nothing to wear.

Merci bien (which our French dept. says means Thanks, old bean) to Capt. Vernon H. Hunt for this excerpt from an article by Edgar Snow in the Saturday Evening Post. Commenting on the news as printed in Amirabad, Iran, Snow

Certain discrepancies are noticed in the accounts of major events, and par-



ticularly of the battle roles of the various Allies as presented by the local press. Each side accuses the other of not too high a regard for the truth.

high a regard for the truth.

"One day recently a small Iranian selling the British paper outside the windows of (American) headquarters in Amirabad was heard shouting, 'Getcha British propaganda-sheet here! Getcha British propaganda!' There was embarrassed silence inside, where a British colonel, liaison officer from local headquarters, happened to be viciling. He said postiling happened to be visiting. He said nothing. but he must have known who had been

teaching the boy English.
"The next week an American officer was paying a return call on the British. Through the open window he heard another newsboy selling American papers. 'Getcha Yank bull sheet here!' he intoned. 'Getcha Yank bull sheet!'

Thereafter the incident was considered

Incidental Information: A newspaper has been started at a Denver station where men are inducted into the Army and Navy. It is named appropriately enough The Home-Wrecker.

Hermann Goering is still at odds with the rest of the German High Command. The German High Command is still,

physically speaking, cut right in half.

A brassiere—writes in a lieutenant in the Signal Corps, where they notice such things picks up where nature left off.

Maybe one reader hasn't heard that theme song of GIs in the South Pacific jungles—"It all comes Black to me now."

In Scotland, those haunting cries of "Any gum, chum?" can be cut short by "Not handy, Sandy."

HUBERT



This is the obituary of an ecstatic little jig which Hitler danced in the forest of Compiegne when France capitulated in 1940 (inset). His Chaplinesque dance represented an ironic triumph, for in the same railroad ear in which the French signed away their freedom, the Armistice of 1918 was drawn. Today the scene is one of twisted metal, rubble and gutted railroad cars, the result of strafing by Eighth Air Force fighter-bombers.

-Notes from the-Air Force

TWO stained-glass windows, made by British firm, have been installed in the chapel at the Fortress base commanded by Col. H. W. Bowman and dedicated to the memory of our comrades."

The idea was suggested by S/Sgt. George Snodgrass, of Pittsburgh, a gunner who has completed a tour of operations and is now on furlough in the U.S.

In 366 hours of combat flying amassed in 91 sorties, Maj. William J. Hovde, fighter pilot from Crookston, Minn., has not once aborted. S/Sgt. Perry A. Neber-gall, of Roodhouse, Ill., is crew chief.

CREW members of the Fortress Stage Door Canteen were guests of the Stage Door Canteen in London recently. The Fort, christened last April by Mary Churchill, has flown 72 consecutive missions without an abort. 1/Lt. Arthur Davison, of San Antonio, Tex., is the

by SGT. DICK WINGERT

Guinea Pigs Bear a Big Litter

Weary Yanks 'Come Back' In New 24-Hour Rest Camp

By Jules B. Grad

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer WITH THE THIRD ARMY, Oct. 20 -Near a tiny crossroads village, a rifle company of weary, unshaven men stumbled through the door of a sprawling four-story country house. The next morning, fresh from their first shower n two months, dressed in clean uniforms still warm from the laundry and rested after a hell of 21 continuous days of

enemy fire, they returned to the front.

These were the guinea pigs of a bold experiment originated by Lt. Col. William M. Breckenridge, of Lexington, Ky., and Maj. Alva O. Dawson, of Chicago, who organized one of the first 24-hour rest camps for infantry companies in France.

Breckenridge, the regimental executive officer, and Dawson, his supply officer, figured the doughboy deserved

officer, figured the doughboy deserved the best the Army could give him. But when he rested three miles from the front and there wasn't much time until he'd be needed back in his foxhole again to hold a line, the possibilities were naturally limited. And so the Inn was born.

Accommodating slightly more than a company at a time, the Inn is no pleasure palace. Its four walls merely keep out the rain and cold of French autumn days. It's not even a rehabilitation center. The Inn is a GI retreat stuck

Miss Farade.
Raymond Soot Orchestra.
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American Sports News.
World News.
World News.
Your State.
Gienn Miller Sextette.
Waltz Time.
Mark up the Map.
Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A.
Soldier and a Song:
Muste from the Movies.
Army-Coast Guard Football Game,
Suspense.

Sunday, Oct. 22

6755 Sign On Frogram Reso

S/Sgt. Charles Kodjer, of St. Clairsville, Ohio, think it's the next thing to heaven. Kodjer was so damned glad to get away from the Jerries' screaming mimies and the 88s and the blood and death of three months, he was satisfied to pick a warm corner and sleep for the next couple of days. The Inn's sponsor had other plans for him. other plans for him. He took off his mud-caked fatigues and

was issued clean clothes. Then, with a bar of soap and a fresh bath towel, he climbed with 30 others into a GI truck and was driven to a nearby shower center. That was his first hot bath since

last July.

"The Red Cross gave us V-mail blanks, stationery; envelopes and pencils. Then they loaded us down with toothpaste, a toothbrush, shaving cream, chewing gum, a sewing kit, lighter flints, a pack of cigarettes and shoe laces.

"We got clean blankets and a cot and the officers told us we were an our own

they are relaxing, the CO checks their personal records, counts up the casualties and the Red Cross takes care of any personal problems they have. Replacements ion the regulars. Twenty-four

days. It's not even a rehabilitation center. The Inn is a GI retreat stuck a few miles from the German lines. Its walls shake from the blasts of American howitzers nearby, but doughboys, like full strength.

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"If monsieur would care to wait we will not be long."

American Forces Network On Your Dial 1375 kc. 1402 kc. 1411 kc. 1420 kc. 1447 kc. 218,1m. 213.9m. 212.6m. 211,3m. 207,3m. 0800 - World News.
0805 - Music for Sunday.
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0806 - Music by Benny Goodman.
0900 - Headlines - Comban Diary.
0915 - Bandwagon with Lou Alter.
0910 - Hoer of Charm
1000 - Headlines - Radio Chapel.
1005 - Strike up the Band.
1106 - Morning After (Command Performance).
1115 - Combined Orchestrations.
1216 - News.
1215 - Sports.
1225 - Sports. Saturday, Oct. 21

0755 Sign on Program Resume.
0800 World News.
0810 Sones by Dinah Shore.
0830 Music by Freddie Mattin.
0900 Headlines Combat Diary.
0915 Personal Album with Kitty Kallen.
0940 American Dance Band (Sgr. Ray McKinley).
1000 Headlines Morning After (Duffy's Tavern).
1100 Headlines Home News from the U.S.A.
1100 Headlines Home News from the U.S.A.
1205 Duffle Bag.
1200 News.
1300 Headlines Sports News.
1300 Headlines Downbear with Jimmy Dorsey.
1310 Yanks Radio Edition.
1400 Headlines Of Musical Knowledge
1500 Headlines Strike up the Band.
1500 Music from America.
1700 Headlines Victory Parade
1715 Miss Parade.
1705 American Stories 1205 News
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Warweek

Rumors Are Killing Doughboys Air-Ground Team Flailing Fritz Armistice AWOL a Sucker Play

Saturday, Oct. 21, 1944



RUMORS,

Wild Reports at Front Prove Just as Deadly as German Guns; Cool Heads Needed in Hot Spots

By Paul V. Connors

Warweek Combat Correspondent

NSIDE GERMANY, Oct. 20-I was with a division up here at the front when a rumor killed one hundred doughboys.

It happened on a dank night when two men from supply waited on a ridge overlooking the battlefield below-waited for runners from one of the fighting companies to come up and get some badly needed ammunition. The runners were late. The supply boys were growing nervous. They

wanted to smoke, but were afraid of the broke loose. The Germans, from a below. superb observation point on a distant hill, spotted a slight movement by the one hundred American kids died out there supply men as they tinkered with the in their foxholes with empty guns. ammo boxes. A three-gun battery of 88s. whammed away, and the earth shook.

There was more movement—this time down below where a battle was starting. A flame-throwing tank, with swastika markings, rumbled into the fray-and the supply men could hear screams of agony as the flames ate their way into foxholes.

gash in his right arm and the other with a battalion, a regiment, a division, even singed clothing, clambered up the hill and a corps or an army. You heard your past the supply men.

Doughboy. "The Germans have counter- center. You heard them at camp attacked with tanks. They're heading during basic. You heard them on this way. The company has been wiped maneuvers. You heard them on the boat out down there!"

Rumor Started It

who thought he could dope out situa- they supplied a laugh. Sometimes they tions—someone who was playing the were a pain in the neck—but they never "smart" guy. Sure the Krauts had did any real damage. Now they're killcounter-attacked, but they do that when ing our guys just as dead as German things get desperate. It didn't mean, bullets, shells and mines. however, that the company was wiped out the same company that was waiting for the ammunition.

If the supply men had realized that the report was a rumor, they would have stayed on the spot. Instead they jumped into a jeep, wheeled about and roared off in the darkness-in the other direction. It never occurred to them that now -as they raced back of the lines-two sweaty infantry runners were standing on the hill, searching for boxes of ammuni-

glow in the darkness. And then all hell tion which were needed by their company

They never got the ammunition. And

They died because of a rumor-a over the entire area.

Rumors have plagued the American armies from Africa to Aachen.

They Sweep Through Outfit

You've heard the kind of rumors which Two Doughboys, one with a bullet sweep a squad, a platoon, a company, first rumors the day you were inducted. "Get the hell out of here," said a You heard them again at the reception You heard them at camp coming over. Now you're hearing them in combat.

Before the rough stuff started rumors It was a rumor-started by someone never really hurt anybody. Sometimes

> "Rumors were more of a menace than Germans in France," said a division commander recently.

> "If the men in the line would put some stock in the old adage about believing half of what they see and none of what they hear they'd save lives and get this war over sooner.

> planters. I've seen usually reliable men unnerved in the heat of battle, use their imagination, mentally create a situation which didn't exist, then blurt it out to the man next to them. Damage and death

> "Rumors, half-truths and outright lies spread like fire along a string in battle. One man creates a rumor. He tells it to two of his buddies. Each of them tells two or three more men. In no time at all the false report has spread from squad to platoon to company and on up through the whole division. If men would only

wouldn't even think about them, let alone pass them along. The smart man is the one who keeps all information under his hat-truth, untruth or rumor. Information passed from foxhole to foxhole in the heat of battle is too often distorted."

Pyle Noted Them

Ernie Pyle has seen his share of combat, doughboys and rumors. He first noted the speed with which a rumor travels while he was en route to Africa with the first Yanks to go into Oran. Says Pyle in his best seller, Here Is Your

"An officer made up a rumor that we were going to Casablanca and timed it to see how long it would take to encircle the ship. It came back to him, as cold fact from the bridge, in just half an hour."

German propagandists are probably the best in the business when it comes to putting out rumors. They toss in just enough known truths with the rumors to confuse and befuddle. Favorite trick is to wheeze Americans with lies about our rumor that began in a foxbole and spread allies. Few of the doughboys up here are fooled, however.

The armistice rumor is undoubtedly the oldest and the one which has cropped up the most to annoy, harry and unnerve Doughboys. Your old man was victimized by it in the last war. You've probably heard it a dozen times in this war. If it hasn't lowered your guard it has probably led to some wishful thinkingand temporarily low morale when hours later you realized that there was no foundation to the report.

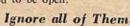
"The Belgian radio, when it announced

"Yeh, and there ought to be courtmartials for the weak-livered guys who go bubbling about with rumors of the artillery pulling out, company so-and-so being annihilated and our left flank being wide open," chipped in Lt. Max Short, Brookline, Mass., one of McHolland's assistants. assistants.

"Every time the tempo of enemy fire

pass on a rumor. Guys have been killed because they gave the wrong pass word.

Road rumors are nasty, have resulted in deaths. Men driving vehicles have asked directions, inquired about the safety of proceeding along certain roads. Men who didn't know, but had heard rumors that roads were open have passed incorrect information along. American vehicles have, not often but enough times to hurt, been knocked out by Nazi guns parked on roads that were rumored to be open.



If the American infantry division which held off the powerful German attack at Mortain, just before the Krauts turned to run in France in August, had taken any stock in rumors started by panicky people in a tight spot it wouldn't have fought the great defensive fight it

The Germans might have succeeded with their plan to split the American armies in Normandy and Brittany. Such success would have slowed the speed of the Yank drive through France, might have throttled it completely. The see-saw battle went on for five rugged, bloody days before the enemy decided he had had

enough and turned to run. On more than one occasion interdivision communications were cut by artillery and mortar fire. Rumors were rife. They ranged from big to small, from the Division CP being overrun and the commanding general slain to Hitler being in command of the Wehrmacht.

The Division CP rumor is a case in point. On the first day of the German attack it appeared that the Krauts might get through. CP personnel were ordered to be ready to burn secret documents. They didn't have to—yet four days later guys in the line were hearing that Division headquarters had been annihilated. Actually one battalion headquarters was overrun—and later rescued.

Lt. Robert Spiker, Morgantown, West Va. and his rifle company are part of the

division. The company was caught with its guard down—by a rumor.

"We relieved an outfit which had been in the sector a couple of days," said Spiker. "They told us things had been Spiker. "They told us things had been quiet—told us the Krauts were pulling out. My men naturally loosened up. Two hours later the Germans threw everything at us, tanks, self-propelled guns, the best of the Wehrmacht, even some of the Luftwaffe. We had a helluva time pulling ourselves together—because we were caught flatfooted. Rumors are dangerous. Ignore all of them, you'll live that way."

Common Sense Best Protection Against Rumors

Rumors are something you can't see, can't shoot at, can't take prisoner. That doesn't mean that they are any less an enemy than some Kraut sniper named Franz Maier. In every war, rumor has been a weapon used to throw already-jittery men into panic. There's only one good, sure defense against this stealthy killer. It is just plain, common sense—and it is just as good a defense against rumor as a good, well-dug foxhole is against machine-gun fire. Just remember that the next time some excited guy tells you about something terrible which has just happened to the outfit on your flank or in your rear or out between you and Germany. Rumors can kill-common sense will protect you.



"A tight spot is a fertile field for rumor that Germany had capitulated, then de-lanters. I've seen usually reliable men nied it a half-hour later, during the first week of September did more damage to my men than a 1,000 Germans armed to my men than a 1,000 Germans ar the teeth," says Lt. Robert B. McHolland, Hurley, Mo., a tough, bearded young man grown old who commands a crack

rifle company. "The men got the phony news from some people in a town through which we were moving unopposed. The people were moving unopposed. The people were celebrating the end of the war. The men didn't know what to think. Of course, we kept right on going. Most paid no attention but the report affected some of the dreamers in the company.

That afternoon we ran into a bunch of Jerries. They proved to our regrets that the war wasn't over. We lost menmostly men who let the rumors turn over too many times in their minds. Those guys weren't at their best. They didn't have all their wits about them. They got killed.

"I've been hearing peace rumors since D-1 when I came into France in June—and here I am still getting shot at in October. I penalize any of my men I find spreading rumors. That stuff just doesn't go in this racket. A man needs to concentrate on fighting if he espects to come out align. It's course groups to feast the out alive. It's tough enough to fight the war without having your mind disturbed and distorted by rumors—damn them."

increases some guys start to sweat, then begin to imagine things, then start spout-ing off about the likelihood of disaster," added Short,

"You find them in every company. We had 'em in this one until we cooled them off with appropriate action. If the men who have to blow off steam use their heads, curb their imaginations, and refuse to spread rumors we will have a better chance to concentrate on Jerry. He's a tough cookie—but we're taking him seven days a week and twice on Sundays.

"Fact of the matter is most of our guys don't pay any attention to rumors. But the few who do spread them are a menace. What the hell, if the enemy has you surrounded there is no point talking about it. Fight the bastard."

Annoying and Dangerous

Rumors that German parachutists were coming in have been circulating nightly on the continent since D-Day. The rumors have caused casualties. Guys who have taken stock in them and at the same time have had itchy trigger fingers have fired on their own men in the darkness thinking them to be enemy jumpers. This was particularly true in the early going.

Most annoying and at the same time dangerous of rumors is the "pass-word" rumor. Often times men who aren't sure of the pass word, when asked what it is



Warweek Staff Writer

N American fighter-bomber twisted and spun out of the clouds like an angry eagle and shot straight for a German strongpoint somewhere south of Aachen. Black dots—500 pounders—were seen tumbling from the plane's wings. The enemy ack-ack exploded in small dark puffs but the plane got away in time.

The 500 pounders hit home and a series of loud booms rocked the Nazi artillery pieces and gun crews. Debris was flung into the air to mingle with mushrooming grey smoke-then it was all

Later-brief seconds later-Allied tanks rumbled toward the stricken Germans. With the tanks came Doughboys, and the German strongpoint was wiped

It was another crack in the iron fence that hugs Hitler's border line-a crack that was possible by some quick-thinking teamwork.

This Is Teanucork

This teamwork-the kind that floored the Hun south of Aachen-is called cooperation, and it's no different than a fiveman basketball team working a ball down the floor with smooth trick play. There can be no mistake; no bad timing. It has got to be perfect all the way. That's how games-and wars-are won.

That is how it was below Aachen, where they took Fritz with a one-two punch. The air and ground teams flashed signals. The fighter-bomber caught them with a couple of bombs, and then before the stunned Kraut mind could recuperate tanks and Doughboys polished them off. It worked swell.

It used to be different. There was a time when the ground and air sneered at each other and frowned upon the attempts made by each other to do something worth while. But now the infantryman knows what a good bomb shellacking of the enemy will do for him, and the air crews know that all the bombing on earth can't take or hold a town.

No Line Between Them

Therefore many air-ground men and officers refuse to draw a line between the two operations. Their claim is that the ground forces and air forces are hitting the Germans with a combined punchnot two individual punches. They work as a team all the way-and it is the best team that any coach ever ran on any field.

These fellows-the air-ground boysare closer to both factors than any other man. They sweat it out with the infantry; they undergo the same rigors of field soldiering; they appreciate the tremendous hardships which face a frontline soldier. Also, they understand and appreciate the punch from the skies. Here is how they feel; here is how they sum up the team play that is molding a black future for the guys who started

Capt. Oliver G. Kelly, San Jose, Cal., is an air-ground officer with the Fifth Armored Division. He's the signal flasher—the gent who lets the bombers know where to hit, when to hit and why.

Captain Kelly has been through it with the Doughboys-and the last that Warweek heard, he was still with them. He

"This whole operation depends on the air support officer having the point of view of the ground troops. He must eat, work and live with them. He might like his sleeping-as do any of us-but he



can't afford to do it out here. He's got to work the clock around.

Take Infantry Punishment

"We air boys must be willing and able to take the punishment the infantry does, and the next airman I meet who says the infantry has a monopoly on the combat stuff is going to have his ears pinned back. It's that kind of thinking that keeps the air force and the ground force apart."

Captain Kelly makes reference to an action which occurred near Le Mans to illustrate his point further.

The colonel of a combat unit asked us for air help, and we radioed some fighter-bombers. The pilots located our . CP, and we directed them on to where the Germans were concentrated. The planes went in-and Tiger tanks were ripped wide open. They handed the Germans a big wallop. Then the colonel's unit went in and cleaned up.

fighter-bombers. In all it took 15 minutes for the planes to hammer the Germans and for the infantry to clean them up. It was teamwork and timing that did it."

Simple, Fast, Effective

In most cases of air-ground co-operation-such as described by Captain Kelly -the procedure is a simple and speedy one. A ground unit runs into unexpected opposition. The outfit's CO figures that it will be a waste of lives to attempt to be surprised how important that informa-take that particular spot by sheer man-tion is to the pilot. Show those boys

So he makes quick contact with his air-ground crew. The officer in charge of this crew immediately contact has a what to hit, tell them what they're a many members of combact with his air-ground crew. The officer in charge of this crew immediately contacts, by radio, the nearest known bomber or fighter bomb group. He issues brief instructions and direction-keeping in mind just what they are after. They also say

that the plan must work in a way so that our own men don't get bombed.

Then the bomber pilots take off-and they are literally on a radio beam when they do so. But in this case their beam is that of the air-ground officer, who maintains steady contact with them. He directs them over outstanding landmarks -right up to where Fritz can get conked on the noggin with some made-in-U.S.

Right Up in Front

This is the way one of the crew members put it:

"You can't work this stuff from back in HQ. You's got to be right up in front where you can see the target and lead the planes right to it. The way we have done it is to have the air-ground officer right up at the pin point of the attack.

"You must be able to explain, guide and control-otherwise the pilot goes down the road, sees a town, says to himself: 'this must be what they mean,' and boom-up go our own men."

Capt. E. M. Howison, air support officer with the 90th Division, says: "In more than a year on battlefields lehave never seen better, closer and more effective cooperation between air and ground than I've seen over here in the past few

"These fighter-bombers are one of the most lethal weapons I'se ever seen. They really help the Doughboys-we've done it numerous times.

It's Close Co-operation

"We can do it because we work directly with the ground men. They won't call for help unless it is damned important. So when they call-we pitch in for all we're worth. You can't stress this teamwork-this co-operation-too much. Every man in every outfit should understand and believe in it.

"The time it took? Well, in five "Once they get to feeling that way, minutes we located and directed the they work lots better. I know it. Oh, yes, and before I forget it-you'd better

add this: "When we had squadrons covering our area for us, we found that it was very important to let the pilots have all the available information. Such stuff as what the opposition is like-how many tanks there are how many gun crews-the various types of opposition-exact locations—clear routes—and so forth. be surprised how important that informawhat to hit, tell them what they're after

Many members of combat units agree with Capt. Howison. They say that the pilots will hit the targets, once they know

Fliers, Footsloggers and Tankers-Dealing Large Death Doses to Huns; Smooth Team Play Paying Dividends

able walls of flak in order to knock out one-third as well." an objective.

Pilots have pitched in with recon jobs, too. They've scouted out the Kraut on numerous occasions, and they have done some fine work on routine reconnaissance

Said Capt. Howison:

"Periodically I'd see some of these P51 recon ships come over in pairs. I'd listen in until I heard their call sign, then I'd call them and they'd gladly make a reconnaissance mission for me on the spot. But don't expect them to help unless you can authenticate yourself. They are not eager to work for Hitler."-

Krauts Don't Like It

German prisoners, after having been subjected to the old one-two punch until they were hammered silly, made this remark about our teamwork:

"It is difficult enough to fight your ground forces alone, but when the planes work with them, the situation is hopeless for us."

They should know all about that. It was the Germans who thought it was a pretty good idea to flatten Europe with the Luftwaffe so that their troops could walk in and take over.

And here is how some front-line Yanks have summed up the over-all situation on team play, as they have seen it work in the past:

T/Sgt. Sheldon L. Faler, Clinton,

get any place. Tanks, planes and infantry

that the pilots have flown through verit- gether. But individually they can't do

Team Play the Secret

Pvt. Richard J. Reedy, Aurora, Ill.:

It's just like playing a sports game back home. The best team will winand the best team is decided by the group of guys who play together-or fight together-as one unit."

T/Sgt. Walter L. Grey, Fairfield,

"I've seen plenty of this team play in France. Naturally, there has been a spot or two where signals got crossed and it didn't work perfectly. Still, however, I'd say that good team play has been the reason for our success. The planes and ground forces make the best fighting unit

Capt. F. B. Adams, Newark, Ark.:

"I notice that team play starts way down the line. Take a tank, for instance. Five men in a tank working as a unit can't be beaten. That's how it goes on up the line. Tank units operate as one team-then they side in with the infantry and the air forces, and still they work as a bunch of fellows all striving for the same thing-and they work together. We can't miss when we do it that way."

Maj. Ben O. Roscow, Sioux Falls,

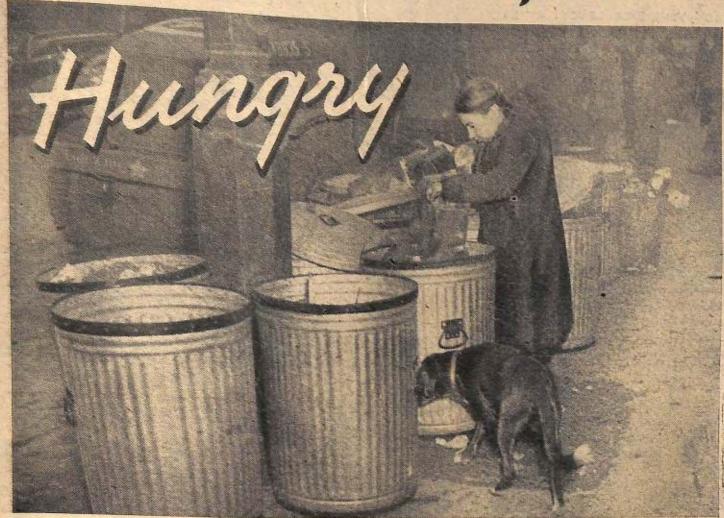
"The rifle companies keep contact by means of radio with the tank outfits, The COs of both units discuss mutual headaches and problems, and then tip off the air forces. The air forces blam away with the bombs; the tanks roll in "Working together is the only way to with sheer weight and fire power, and the infantry cleans up. A great combination, can go to town when they operate to- I'd say-and it works like a charm."



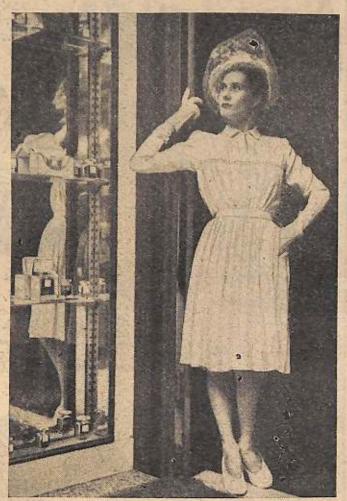
A CONVINCING ARGUMENT is a good air-ground wallop. In old days Hitler had it; today we have it. At top of page are some of best fighter planes afloat. (Left to right) P-47 Thunderbolt, P-51 Mustang and P-38 Lightning. Lone plane in second column is Mustang in graceful—and destructive—dive. Bottom left shows Dough-boys, supported by tanks, driving forward to attack enemy strongpoint after our planes have bombed and strated objective. The infantrymen rode into battle on the tanks. Above, American officer inspects knocked-out Nazi fortress and captured Kraut artiflery piece,

Photos by 9th Air Force, U.S. Army Signal Corps and Planet.

Boche Has Gone, Paris is Free, But-



PARIS isn't all beautiful women, beautiful buildings and beautiful high prices. Twenty years ago this old woman lived comfortably; now she picks over GI messhall garbage for food. Dog is at disadvantage, he can't reach top of cans.



DESPITE HARDSHIPS Parisians show best front they can. Here's professional model at door of exclusive shop. She ate skimpy meals during occupation; is doing better now.

By Hamilton Whitman

Warweek Staff Writer

MERICAN troops, who have been hearing for four years about the hardships of Paris and other French cities under the German occupation, have been amazed at what they interpreted as the gaiety and appearance of well-being of the French civilians they see.

It is hard for some battle-weary Joe to understand how these well-dressed and apparently happy people could have been the victims of Nazi oppression. If he seeks an answer at all it probably is something along this line:

"Aw, I guess that stuff was just a lotta propaganda."

He's wrong-but unless he lived in France before the war he'll probably never know it. The truth of the matter is that Paris-and other French cities-show unmistakable signs of suffering to the man who knows what they were like before the Germans came.

"But look at all the well-dressed women in the streets," somebody is sure to say. "How do you explain that?"

The answer to that is easy:

French women always looked better than the women of any other country, including the United States. The proof of that lies in the fact that American manufacturers of women's clothes at home either maintained resident buyers in Paris, before the war, or sent some executive to Paris every year to buy the newest models as they came from the designers' workshops.

Even the hardships of war have been unable to dampen the French woman's knack for making the most of herself.

In addition to their natural gift for wearing smart clothesor for making old and shabby clothes look smart-every cities of France are the saddest sight the author of this story Parisienne regarded it as a patriotic duty to do whatever she could to annoy the Germans.

One of the things the Germans tried to do during the occupation was to impose their own brand of heavy-handed severity on the clothes and make-up of the women of the conquered country. The result was that the French dug down into the chests of old clothes and inherited heirlooms to find disused bits of silk or linen which could be contrived to look like new and original garments.

It was all part of the gigantic passive resistance to the will of the invader.

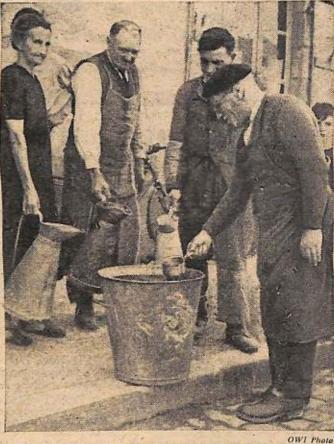
The "black market," which flourished under the very noses of the Germans, was another version of the same thing.

Before Paris was liberated, the monthly meat ration for a grown man or woman equalled one slice about the size and thickness of the palm of a man's hand. Now the residents of Paris get about the same amount of meat once a week

The very strict rationing, under the Germans, created a demand for goods and food products of all kinds in which prices skyrocketed. A small percentage of French people, who had large sums of money to spend, were able to live quite well by doing their shopping on the illegal black market. But it was only a tiny fraction of the people as a whole.

In the industrial suburbs and in the lower-bracket sections of the city there are, for instance, children who have not tasted an orange for four years.

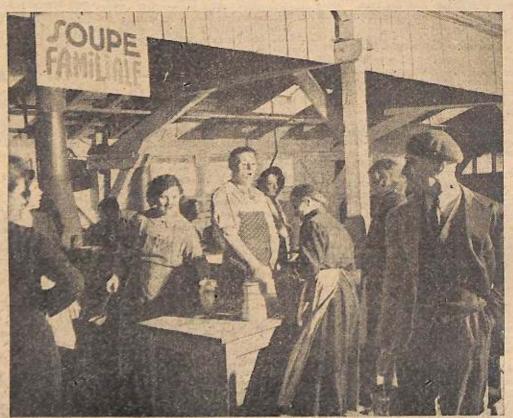
Paris looks gay, on the surface, but Paris and the other has ever seen. He knows what he's talking about. He lived Paris for eight years before the war.



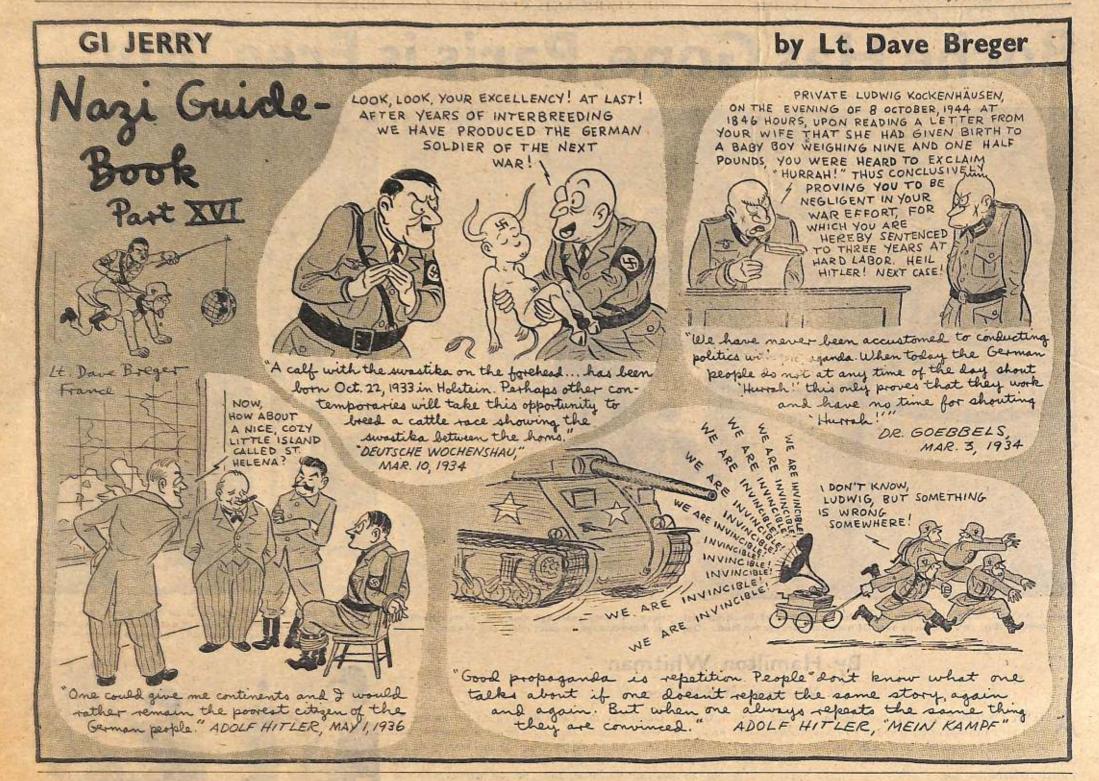
MANY FRENCH MEN and women resisted Germans and aided neighbors during confusion of liberation. Here citizens of Laval get water from well of fortunate friend.



THESE WOMEN waiting in food line at municipal soup kitchen don't parade in latest "creations." They weren't collaborators. Most of them have sons in German prisons.



"FAMILY SOUP" is translation of sign at this food station, only place where refugees, mostly from Paris, were able to eat in Dreux. They're en route back to the capital



Over The Hill is The Long Way Home!

'Cease Fire' Not The Signal For Sandlot Show By World Champs; Doughboys of 1918 Know This Fact

By Ed. Wilcox

Warweek Staff Writer

HEN they blew the whistle at 11 AM, 11 Nov., 1918, practically every soldier in "Black Jack" Pershing's Army, who could do so, took off like a big-backed bird. They were combing AWOLs out of haystacks all over France for months.

It was all a long time ago and now, if you talk to some guy wearing 1918 ribbons on his Class A blouse, the chances are his story will be one of two

kinds. Either he went over the hill on Armistice Day, had a hell of a time, and now figures it was well worth whatever time to take a one-man furlough.

He stuck with his outfit, did a lot of drill and fatigue and has been wishing for more than 20 years that he had gone sight-seeing instead

Question Coming Up Again

For the benefit of those guys who will be faced with that same decision, any month now, Warweck has made a little study of this whole post-hostilities AWOL question. The answer sums up in three words; "Don't Do It."

Here's the reason, the one reason which will make sense to a man who has been

taking it the hard way.
You'll get home a lot faster if you stay with your outfit.

In 1918 outfits went home the way they came here—as units. This time they're going to use the much-discussed "point system." That means that men are to be sent home on the basis of their individual service records—probably in some kind of casual or "discharge" companies. Anything that fouls up a man's records just means that much more trouble in getting him headed for home.

Men Won't Like This

This isn't going to be a popular idea with front-line combat soldiers. Those men have been taking their lumps from everything the enemy has got to toss at them, and it isn't an easy thing to tell them to pass up a chance for a trip to Paris or the nearest big town when the

matter of fact, Warweek isn't

As a matter of fact, Warweek isn't going to do so.

What this Warweek writer is going to do, however, is to point out, through the words of the man who is an authority on

Deputy Provost Marshal for the Seine Base Section—which means Paris. This is what he had to say on the matter:

"The biggest bad feature of going AWOL is, of course, that the man concerned won't get home as quickly as he would have otherwise.

AW.OL-Trouble

This is what happens to an AWOL: The MPs pick him up, they send a message to his outfit which tells the man's CO where he is. Then, if the outfit is still around, he's sent back, under arrest. If he has already been dropped from the company roster he goes to a replacement center to sweat out reassignment.

In addition there are the court martial charges he is almost sure to face. It all adds up to one thing: delay, red tape and trouble-just when he wants to move fastest towards home.

"Many men can be appealed to by tell-ing them simply that they are expected to be good soldiers, even after the 'Cease fire.' Others can't understand that kind of logic—but they do understand it when it is put into terms of delay in getting

"Aside from the pay they lose and the sentences they get—they can be pretty stiff, AWOL in time of war is a serious matter—it seems a little silly to me that a man would look like a ball player who played World Series ball for eight in-

nings—and then chose to turn in a sand-lot performance in the last half of the ninth.

"After the last war," the Major said, "there were hundreds of men who didn't get home for months, even years, because their records had been lost, their outfits had sailed and they were left here and forgotten. They were a pretty sad bunch, I'll tell you."

How About it Major?

The Major was asked what he thought the Army policy would be after the fighting was over, with respect to leaves, for lower and passes. furloughs and passes.

"I think," he answered, "that the Army will give every consideration to the men who fought to take these cities. I think they will be allowed privileges and passes in that period between the end of the war with Germany and the beginning of their trip back home. trip back home.

"In the campaign on the Continent so far," he continued, "AWOLs have been fairly low. There have been some men who decided they had to see Paris, or some other city, and took off. As a rule, these men have been quickly picked up by the Military Police and sent to a replacement pool for disposition. They probably never will get back to their original units

There's a Reason For It

"When the Army says that men not authorized to be in Paris should not be here, that ruling is made because of military necessity and not because some-body wants to be tough or hard-hearted. Only so many troops can be accommodated in Paris because of the food and housing problems. When the war ends, Paris will probably be open to men on pass."

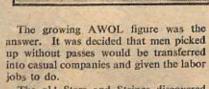
That just about tells the story-except for one anecdote from the last war.

Through the latter part of November and during December and January of 1918, the AWOL figure for the first AEF mounted steadily. Morning reports carried more and more men as over the hill.

The AWOL figure was providing the answer to a problem which had been worrying Gen. Pershing and his staff. They realized that there was a big-time policing job left to be done—the trouble was, what outfits were to be assigned to labor service duties for months after the fighting had ended and while other units

fighting had ended and while other units were headed for home?

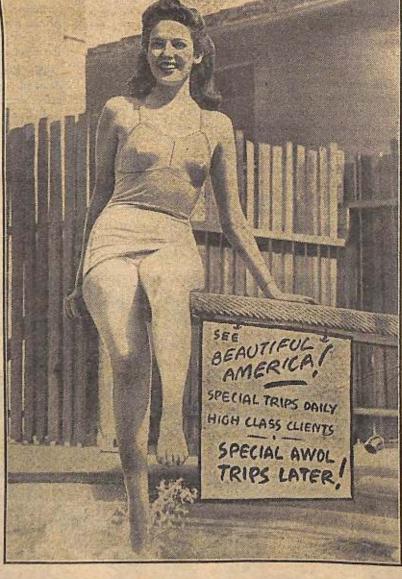
There were political angles to the question, too, since officers and men who thought they were being unfairly treated were almost sure to complain bitterly to their folks at home who would, in turn, write to every Congressman in Washington.



The old Stars and Stripes discovered this, ran a story on the plan and advised every soldier on the loose to turn himself in at once if he wanted to avoid a lot of pick and shovel work in France while

his buddies were being paid off at home. The day the story appeared, the Provost Marshal's office in Paris looked like a rush-hour in the New York subway. By the end of the week there was hardly an AWOL left on the loose.

This is another war, another Stars and Stripes. It's another Army, too, but it is just as anxious to go home when the fighting is over.



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Once Over Lightly By Charlie Slocum

NEW YORK, Oct. 20-A brand new system for beating the horses has been uncovered this week right under LaGuardia's ten-gallon hat at Jamaica. It's simple, Joe. You just wait until the horses start, find out which one breaks first and send it into the mutuel windows.

Now don't ever let anyone tell you mutuel machines cannot be post-posted, because it's being done every day. There's a widespread notion that when the starting gate opens the mutuel machines automatically lock, but they don't lock until the horses pass the assistant starter about 70 yards down the track. He waves a flag signifying a good start and then the machines lock. During the eight- or ten-second interval between the actual start and the starter's signal these system players get their dough down.

One leather-junged, eagle-eyed indivi-Now don't ever let anyone tell you

players get their dough down.

One leather-lunged, eagle-eyed individual stands atop the railing with a spyglass focused on the starting gate. His six or seven confederates hang around ready to pounce into the window when the gate opens. When the horses fly out of the gate the man with the glass shouts the number of the horse breaking first and the money men shoot up to the ticket seller and lay it on the line while he clicks off as many tickets as possible on the horse called by the eyeglass man. There's another group who stand at the approach to the window and fasten a body block on anyone who tries to get in during the on anyone who tries to get in during the few moments which this system has to

The whole idea behind it is Jamaica's reputation for a fast inside strip. The horse that breaks first supposedly has the best chance to move inside and get

It's entirely legitimate and apparently works because the team shows up well-heeled every day. Occasionally, as happened yesterday in the first race, their horse gets licked. Number five broke first and was nosed out by a 65—1 shot. Imagine outfoxing LaGuardia like that.

SHORT SHOTS: The Navy team has been divided into three squads for the been divided into three squads for the train trip to Atlanta for the Georgia Tech game. The group on the third train may not reach Atlanta until after the game starts. Bet Hamberg, Jenkins et al are on that first train. . . Ripper Collins, first baseman of the St. Louis Cardinals old Gashouse Gang, managed Albany in the Eastern League last season, and his 396 was the highest in the minors. . . Paul Patterson, Illinois freshman halfback is the leading offender in the team's

Paul Patterson, Illinois freshman half-back, is the leading offender in the team's fumbling epidemic and now carries the ball with him everywhere he goes. That's right—everywhere. Van Lingle Mungo, former Dodger and Giant pitcher, received a CDD from the Army at Ft. McPherson, Ga., yesterday. Scalpers in Allentown, Pa., are getting five bucks per copy for tickets to Allentown High's game against Phillipsburg. (N.J.) High. The regular price for reserved seats is 90 cents. Judge Landis' departure from Saint Luke's hospital in Chicago has been delayed another two weeks. Bill McCarney, the old professor of the boxing business, who has been managing fighters and beating the drums around the country for years, celebrated his 72nd birthday recently by belting a passenger on a bus whose pushing and mauling annoyed him. New York sports writers, under the direction of Lawrence Robinson of the World-Telegram, have banded together to present another extravaganza in connection with the next War Loan drive. Football, basketball and tennis are on the program, and Notre Dame and Randolph Field are being sought for the football game. back, is the leading offender in the team's

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THERE will be reunion dinners for residents of the following towns and districts next week at the ARC. Mostyn Club, Edgware Rd., London, Wl., at 7,15 PM.

THURSDAY, Oct. 26: Providence, Pawtucket, Thursday, Oct. 27: Lowell, Lawrence, Glougester, Beyerly—Massachusetts.

Will exchange VP Exakta B, single lens reflex. Will exchange VP Exakta B, single lens reflex. General Exchange in the short of the Silver Speed to 1,000 sec.; finder for Contax.—M/Sgt. Robert Peel. Berlin Will anyone who was with either Berlin Wills and the short of the Silver Slipper on Aug. 2 mission please write to Lt. James P. Coson?



Yale's Rog Barksdale Reminds Old Blues of Albie Booth Era

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 20-The more Roger the Dodger Barksdale runs and the more opposing tacklers miss him the more talk there is of how much the fleet little Yale halfback resembles the Elis' immortal Albie

Being thrust into the nation's grid spotlight as a running back took the 17-year-old Little Rock, Ark., flash slightly by surprise. And little wonder,

Sports in Services In Surprise Switch

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Oct. 20-Former heavyweight champ Gene Tunney, now a commander in the Navy, who once said that competitive sports had no place in preparation for war, has

exercised every man's privilege and changed his mind on the subject. Tunney told Con-

funney fold Connecticut s p o r t s
scribes and members
of the Gridiron
Club last night that
America "is better
equipped than any
other nation to
carry on a long war
because of sports."
Tunney indicated
in his speech that

GENE TUNNEY in his speech that a talk he'd had with Gen. MacArthur in New Guinea did much to change his mind. He said MacArthur called boxing and football the best sports there are for training fighting men.

Army Game on AFN

The second in this year's series of football broadcasts by the American Forces Network will go on the air at 7.30 tonight, with West Point the scene of action and Army and Coast Guard Academy the participants.

because though he played three years of Gene Tunney Lauds football out in Arkansas he seldom ran with the ball and confined himself almost exclusively to blocking.

But as long as Yale Coach Howie O'Dell has anything to say about it Roger will continue to be a dodger. "He's not terribly fast," says Howie. "But he's as shifty as they come. His legs go one way and his body goes another. He has been getting by at least one tackler every time he has carried the ball."

Averaging eight yards per try, he turned in his best performance last Saturday when he scooled to two touchdowns to lead the Bulldogs to a 27—10 nod over

Clemson Drubs South Carolina

COLUMBIA, S.C., Oct. 20 — The underdog Clemson Tigers upset South Carolina's Gamecocks, 20—13, here yesterday in the annual football game which is played by law on a Thursday during the State Fair.

A crowd of 18,000 drenched fans saw the Tigers dent the South Carolina line for all three touchdowns. Bill Rogers spun off guard for ten yards and the first score, Tinsley bashed his way 43 yards right through the middle of the line for the second tally, and Rogers plunged five yards for the final touchdown.

Both Gamecock tallies came on short plunges, Mack Erwin going over from the four-yard line and Charlie Herdegen carting from one yard out.

By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune

Daley Deal Brings Blast From Pitt-Card Owner

NEW YORK, Oct. 20—The buttermilk and soft soap exchanged by the National Football League and the newly organized All-America Conference recently apparently is just so much baloney. Bert Bell, co-owner of the Pittsburgh Steelers-Chicago Cardinals has levelled a blast at the Alf-American loop in which he charges that sports writer Arch Ward, organizer of the new circuit, is not keeping his word.

of the new circuit, is not keeping his we The whole matter was brought to a head yesterday when it became known that Bill Daley, former Minnesota and Michigan All-American, who had been picked by the Steelers in the college draft, had signed to play with the New York team of the new league.

"I want to make it clear that this is absolutely contrary to what Ward stated was his position," Bell said. "He devoted a whole column to the idea that he was starting a new league for the best interests of football, and what happened in this case is not to the best interests of anything."

Offered to Meet Ryan Offer

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Bell says he received a phone call from
Daley at Ft. Pierce, Fla., in which Daley
revealed the figure offered by Ray Ryan,
New York oilman, co-owner with Mrs.
Lou Gehrig, of the New York AllAmerica franchise. Bell offered to meet
Ryan's offer, and was surprised greatly
later in the afternoon at the receipt of a
telegram from Daley reading, "After
talking with Mr. Arch Ward I have signed
with Mr. Ryan."
Ryan had previously tied up Glenn

Ryan had previously tied up Glenn Dobbs, former Tulsa passing ace, now with the Second Air Force, for post-war

delivery.

"There's no question that Ward influenced Dobbs, too," Bell said. "On the night of the All-Star game at Evanston Ward was together with Ryan, Mrs. Gehrig and Dobbs in one room for some time."

Peculiar part of the whole argument is the fact that Ward's paper, the Chicago Tribune, promotes the annual All-Star game at Chicago between the National League champs and college stars. Whether the National League will take retaliatory action is not known, but undoubtedly there is great resentment brewing against the man who conceived and put across the annual All-Star tilt.



East

Dan Parker of the N.Y. Daily Mirror likes Cornell over Sampson Naval, Holy Cross to beat Brown, Colgate to surprise Penn State, Army to pulverize Coast Guard Academy, Lafayette to edge Lehigh, and Boston College to down NYU.

Midwest

Arch Ward of the Chicago Tribune says Notre Dame will continue its winning streak at the expense of Wisconsin, Indiana will trip Northwestern, Great Lakes will be too powerful for Ohio State, Purdue will belt Iowa, Kansas will take Nebraska, and Iowa State will trounce Missouri.

South
Oscar Fraley of the United Press
thinks Navy has too many guns for
Georgia Tech, Wake Forest will best N.C.
State, Tennessee will roll over Alabama,
Tulsa will smack down Mississippi, Kentucky will blast VMI, N.C. Pre-Flight
will regain its stride against Georgia
Pre-Flight, and Mississippi State will put
the skids under LSU.

Southwest

Weldon Hart of the Austin American-Statesman sticks with Texas over Arkansas, Rice to belt Southern Metho-dist, Texas Aggies to overpower Texas Christian, Texas Tech to lace South-western, and mighty Randolph Field to have things easy against Camp Polk.

West

Bill Leiser of the San Francisco Chronicle picks Fleet City to upset California, UCLA to roll on against St. Mary's Pre-Flight, the Fourth Air Force as too strong for the Eltoro Marines, Alameda Coast Guard to defeat College of the Pacific and Southern Cal to stop Washington.

By Chester Gould

Unknowns Pilot Nation's Top Elevens NEW YORK, Oct. 20-With new

names springing up on the gridiron all around the country as freshman rules are relaxed and older boys enter the services, it might be well to take a look at some of the coaches who have achieved prominence since more familiar mentors joined the colors. Four of the top ten teams in the Associated Press poll are coached by men who were practically unknown but to their immediate families a couple of years ago.

Ed McKeever, coach of Notre Dame, was, up to this year, known only as a



Ed McKeever

smiling member of the Irish coaching staff. And Carroll Widdoes, Frank Tritico and Glenn Killinger held obscure jobs. But today they lead the sparkling grid teams of Ohio State, Randolph Field and North Carolina Pre-Flight respec-tively.

McKeever never had been a head coach at any school. He was backfield mentor at Texas Tech, his alma mater, until he joined Frank Leahy at Boston College in '39, and they went to South Bend together in '41, with Leahy the boss and McKeever the backfield coach.

Widdoes Was Brown's Aide

Widdoes was Paul Brown's assistant at Massillon (Ohio) High and went along with Brown to Ohio State in '40. When Brown entered the Navy, Widdoes took over. Incidentally, they'll sit on opposite sides of the field tomorrow when State entertains Brown's Great Lakes club.

Killinger was an All-America half-back at Penn State in '21 and thereafter faded from the spotlight. He coached around Pennsylvania, and for eight years prior to his entrance into the Navy in '42 was head football and basketball coach and dean of men at Westchester (Penn) State Teachers. (Penn.) State Teachers.

Biggest jump of all was made by Tritico. He had been coach of LaGrange High, Lake St. Charles, La., until he joined up, and now he leads the team regarded by many as the best in the country. His Fliers have crushed three Southwest Conference elevens on successive Saturdays.

Marshall Insures Baugh for \$100,000

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20—The case of Sammy Baugh, which has been all up in the air for some time, was given another splurge today when George Preston Marshall, owner of the Washington Redskins, announced that he had taken out \$100,000 worth of life insurance on his star passer.

Slingin' Sam, who has received permission from his draft board to abandon the cattle on his Texas ranch "only on weekends," has to make the weekly jaunts to the sites of the Redskin Sunday games by plane, and Mr. Marshall evidently hasn't any too much confidence in air

Please Don't Phone For Football Scores

If you bet your last pound on the Navy-Georgia Tech game and have a date Sunday and want to collect pronto, we're sorry but we can't help

The Stars and Stripes has been swamped in the last few weeks with telephone calls asking for football scores. Hereafter no scores will be

given over the telephone. Results of all grid contests will appear as usual in Monday's edition with stories on the major games throughout the

Dick Tracy

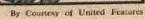












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Life in Those United States

'Vital 10 Pct.' of Output Falling Behind—WPB

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20—Referring to the present manufacturing period as "the most critical yet," Julius A. Krug, chairman of the War Production Board, today told a press conference that there was a "disturbing lag in

the vital 10 per cent of the U.S. production program."

Krug said the "vital 10 per cent" was represented by ten major war items, which include heavy trucks, tires, munitions, tanks and cotton duck. Most of the problems with keeping up with production quotas, he said, centered around man-

At the same time, Krug's office reported (1) that dwindling stocks of ration-type shoes and continued low production gave little prospect of an early end to shoe rationing and (2) that arrangements had been made for the importation of

raw silk from China, providing a glimmer of hope for a renewed turnout of silk stockings.



she said.

SEN. TRUMAN including 103,331 killed. . . High production costs will restrict television studios to the country's leading cities after the war, Lewis Weiss, vice-president of the Don Lee network of the Pacific Coast, told the Federal Communications Commission.

Bum Rap

NOGALES, Ariz., Oct. 20 (ANS)— The fiendish Japs devised special torture for Brooklyn soldiers, Pfc Manuel Lopez, recently returned from the China-Burma-India Theater, said yesterday. "Every night during the summer they'd blast away, telling us our Dodger Bums had heen lidded." been licked.

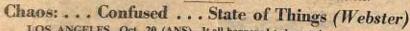
A Little Ink for Greeley

CHICAGO, Oct. 20 (ANS)—Horace Greeley IV, great grandson of the American editor, is now taking boot training at Great Lakes, Naval Training Station. However, Greeley is no rookie in the service. He was a flight instructor with the RAF in England before Pearl Harbor. head of free-roaming horses into a corral. Williams, a chief pilot for Summit Airways, was horses. The U.S. Grazing Service estimates there are 800 such horses.

How Would Pegasus Fare?

ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo., Oct. 20 (ANS)—Cow-punching isn't what it used

ing isn't what it used to be since Walt Williams arrived from Laramie. Williams does his punching with an airplane. This last week he hazed 80 head of free-roaming horses into a



LOS ANGELES, Oct. 20 (ANS)—It all happened today at the same time in a two-block stretch along Main St. in the heart of the city's downtown area:

1—A northbound bus broke down, jamming up street cars back a half-mile.

2—Iwo women fresh from afternoon cocktails started to tear off each other's

clothing on the jam-packed sidewalk. 3—A motorist watching the battle royal smashed his car into the rear of another.

4—A 69-year-old woman suffered a broken ankle when a car struck her as she

crossed the street.

5—An itinerant woman evangelist climbed atop a parked car and began her

Ann Has a Backer

SALT LAKE CITY, Oct., 20 (ANS Actress Mary Landa, who accompanied Ann Sheridan on a

trip to the CBI
Theater, to day
labeled as "an untruth and lie" criticism heaped on Hollywood troupers by CBI Roundup, Army newspaper. The entertainers, Miss Landa said, said. hospitalized five days after their

Meanwhile. Davis - Montham Field, Ariz., Al

Field, Ariz., Al ANN SHERIDAN

Joison, another of the accused stars, told
Gls that he never had been "booked to
appear in China."

USS Texas Home for Repairs NEW YORK, Oct. 20 (ANS)-The gallant old lady of the sea-the USS Texas-was back in a U.S. port today after participating in the invasion of France, during which she took a direct hit from a German shore battery near Cherbourg. The 30-year-old battlewagon is back for repairs before returning to active service, which crew members hope this time will be against the Japs.

No Bag Limit

DETROIT, Oct. 20 (ANS)-Kurt Reichel, an escaped German prisoner, walked into half a dozen hunters with their guns fixed for action. The sur-prised Nazi threw up his hands. The equally surprised hunters marched Reichel back to the prison camp when they realized what the score was.

Radio Gives the MPs a Brain Wave

ORLANDO, Fla., Oct. 20 (ANS)-MPs at the Army Air Forces base here

almost tossed in their clubs the other night.

For several hours they went chasing about, answering radio directions which sent them dashing to non-existent barracks, hunting non-existent AWOLs, or attempting to report for escort duty to important visitors who also just weren't there. because—it later was discovered—both fields use he same frequency for police calls and identical call numbers and somehow that night their signals crossed due to freak weather conditions.

What? Not Us?

CHICAGO, Oct. 20 (ANS)—In a feminine "What I Want Most" poll conducted by the Chicago Herald-American, nylon stockings won in a romp. Girdles Mother of Twenty

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Oct. 20-Mrs. Ethel Esterly, 43, gave birth to her twentieth child, a boy, yesterday, and observed "I've done my share."

Another Windy City

Kid Shooters Blow It Out, 'Frisco's B(ean) Bag Runs Dry

A bean-shooting orgy by junior com-mandoes that raised welts on pedestrians' necks, frightened horses, sent dogs and cats fleeing, and threatened a food shortage, was brought to a halt today by police, parents, teachers, the War Food Administration and the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Stores had exhausted their bean supplies, and WFA was fosced to divert war stocks of beans to the civilian moder.

stocks of beans to the civilian market before police, at the suggestion of the SPCA, learned that a section of the municipal code prohibited bean blowing.

The discovery came none too soon. Charles W. Smith, regional director of food distribution for WFA, was alarmed.

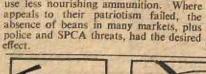
This business is no longer funny," he rid. "We have avoided rationing beans

only by the barest margin."

He notified Dr. Walter F. Dexter, state superintendent of public instruction, of the seriousness of the situation. Teachers

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 20 (ANS)—
bean-shooting orgy by junior comsandoes that raised wells on pedestrians'
ecks, frightened horses, sent dogs and

the troops replied by hurling bombs and firing into the crowd.













WAC Roots for Own Toots

Ten pairs of wolves' ears perked up yesterday (they hardly ever flap loose these days) with receipt in The Stars and Stripes office of the photo of this latest candidate for the title of Prettiest WAC in the U.K.

She's Sgt. Dorothy P. Ware, and the picture was sent as an entry in the current Stars and Stripes contest by "Twenty-one WACs and a Prayer." If what her 21 enthusiastic female cohorts say about Sgt. Dorothy is true, and the photo seems to bear them out, she'll take some beating.

some beating.

The 21 press agents describe Dorothy as five-foot-six of the "most beautiful armful of feminine charm to grace the uniform of the Women's Army Corpsin the ETO or out."

All Around Athlete

And the "beautiful but dumb" business doesn't apply here, either. Her pals insist Dort's plentifully supplied with gray matter, plus being an allaround athlete, excelling in swimming, tennis, et celera, et celera. tennis, et cetera, et cetera,

The payoff comes with this revealing little tidbit of information: The Sarge is (1) not married; (2) not engaged, and (3) not even going steady.

However, and wolves (yes, Stars and Stripes wolves, too) please note: The Sergeant is a sharpshooter with rifle or

The pictures are piling up on the desk here. So get your entry in. The Prettiest WAC in the U.K. will get a portrait photo, done by a top notcher, to be sent home to her folks.

FDR to M'Arthur: All U.S. Exults at Your Return

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20—"We promised to return, we have returned."

In these words, coupled with a promise

Dorothy P. Ware

that the Allies would now "teach Japan her lesson," President Roosevelt today hailed Gen. Douglas MacArthur's return

naied Gen. Douglas MacArthur's return to the Philippines.

"The whole American nation today exults at the news that the gallant men under your command have landed on Philippine soil," the President said in a message to MacArthur.

"You have the nation's gratitude and the nation!"

the nation's prayers for success as you and your men fight their way back to

Praise for Admirals

To Adms. Chester W. Nimitz and William F. Halsey he sent messages lauding "the magnificent sweep of your fleet into enemy waters" and "your fine co-operation with Gen. MacArthur."

At the same time, in a message to Philippines President Sergio Osmena "somewhere in the islands" with MacArthur, Mr. Roosevelt renewed the U.S. pledge that "when the Japanese invaders have been driven out the Philip-

To First Army

(Continued from page 1)

night, firing from the area of Verlauten-

In a drive in northern Belgium to

protect the flank of Canadians controlling

the causeway to the Beveland and

Walcheren Islands, off the Dutch coast,

two Canadian columns, one armor and one infantry, thrust northward early yesterday in the area of St. Leonard and Brecht, 14 miles northeast of Antwerp.

Officially reported to be going well, this new offensive was described as part of the second phase of the battle for control

of the Scheldt approaches to the port of Antwerp, which could serve as a major Allied base once the waterways have

Rain continued to turn the fighting ectors into quagmires. In Holland, the

Allied drive southward from Venray toward Amerika was held up by strong German positions dominating the roads. It was impossible, because of the mud, to detour around the enemy and the

attackers withdrew after five tanks had been knocked out. American armored

units with this force were three miles from Amerika.

ROME, Oct. 20—Nineteen persons were killed and 105 wounded at Palermo yesterday in a clash between Italian in-

yesterday in a class between Italian in-fantrymen and a crowd of 3,000 demon-strating for higher wages in front of the Sicilian high commissioners' office. The riot began when a truckload of soldiers called to reinforce a guard around the office was fired upon from the crowd. Nine soldiers were wounded, and

19 Killed as Sicilians

Riot in Pay Dispute

Aachen Falls

heide, to the east.

been freed.

pines will take its place as a free and independent member of the family of

Mr. Roosevelt's statement on the landings, handed to White House correspondents shortly after midnight, described Leyte as "another rung in the long ladder Gen. MacArthur's men have have been climbias for the last the tree?" been climbing for the last two years."

A 'Wayside Station'

"Leyte," he said, "is only a wayside station on the road to Japan. From our new bases we shall speed up the assault.

... we are now going to teach Japan her lesson. . . We shall strangle the black diagon of Japanese militarism for ever.

O.a.ena, in a statement issued for him in Washington, said the war in the Philippines had never ceased for the Filipino

pines had never ceased for the Filipino people.

"It was immaterial that they were without arms, without food, without medicine. They fought on. For three years they struggled without public recognition. Their courage and loyalty during the period of Japanese occupation can now be told."

St. Nick in 'Toy' Fort To Visit French Kids

A HEAVY BOMBER BASE, Oct. 20-Santa Claus may not know it yet, but he's scheduled for an unusual trip but he's scheduled for an unusual trip when he takes off from here New Year's Day in a Flying Fortress for a city in France. Toys, candy, clothing and other things French orphans and bombed-out children like will be delivered New Year's Day in keeping with the French custom of opening Christmas gifts that day. The "mission," conceived by Lt. Oscar Picard, of Linwood, Mass., has received an enthusiastic OK from Col. Dale O. Smith, CO of the 384th Bombardment Group.

Jap Takes a Dive

Tokyo Radio reported yesterday that Vice-Adm. Amira, leading a squadron of torpedo-carrying planes, met a "Japanese hero's death" off the Philippines Oct. 15 by diving his ship into the bridge of a U.S. aircraft carrier.

FDR Carries Campaign Into New York City

NEW YORK, Oct. 20 (ANS)-In a bid to land New York's 47 electoral votes, President Roosevelt moves into the

votes, President Roosevelt moves into the big town tomorrow for an all-day series of appearances and His visit will be highlighted with an address before the annual dinner of the Foreign Policy Association in the evening. The speech is to be broadcast to the nation.

Earlier, the Chief Executive will attend a huge political rally at Ebbets Field in Brooklyn. A cavalcade tour of the Bronx also is booked.

booked. For security pur-York police commissioner had ordered the entire detective and uniform force to be available for duty during the day. All Saturday leave has been canceled, all vacations postponed and all officers of the rank of captain and higher recalled from vacations.

Big Headlines Screamed the News in U.S.

By Ben F. Price

Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau
NEW YORK, Oct. 20—Newspapers
all over the country again took out their
biggest headline type to tell the nation
that "MacArthur returns to Philippines."
But generally the reaction of the man in the street was about the same as after the fall of Paris and the invasion of Normandy—an air of apathetic calm.

Editorials lauded MacArthur for keep-

ing his promise that one day "I shall return." The New York Times ran a return." The New York Times ran a three column picture of MacArthur with a caption, "General MacArthur fulfills a gallant vow," and in its editorial column praised the captured defenders of the Philippines who are about to be freed after two year and a half of captivity which "must seem like centuries in a stinking, pestilential prison of the Japanese."

Lucky Life magazine appeared on the newsstands this morning with a seven-page picture-feature entitled, "War Comes Back to the Philippines." The magazine went to press three days ago but its editors said their hunch was right. In New York, Mrs. Jonathan Wain-

wright rejoiced over the news but her rejoicing was tempered with sadness over the fact that her husband, Lt. Gen. Wainwright, was a prisoner somewhere

In Brainerd, Minn., the official announcement was greeted with cheers.

Mayor Frank Johnson, speaking for the community from which came 85 men who were captured on Bataan, said, "Everyone here also also be also also." "Everyone here has either a friend or a relative captured on Bataan;"

The men were from Co. A of the 194th Tank Battalion captured by the Japs.

Report Hitler Rejects Hungarian Aid Plea

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 20-Adolf Hitler has rejected a demand made at Berchtes-gaden by Hungary's new puppet premier Ferenc Szalasi for German reinforce-ments to support his tottering govern-ment, the Budapest correspondent of the Stockholm Tidnieses. Stockholm Tidningen reported today.

Kick USO Stars Out of Paris PARIS, Oct. 20 (UP)—U.S. Army down on dancing and music in Paris Red

today authorities -unceremoniously bounced all highly-paid, top-line American and British entertainers out of Paris, ordering them up to the front to play for the men in the foxboles or get back

First star affected by the order was Marlene Dietrich, who has been in Paris for two weeks with a traveling USO troupe but has not been permitted to perform here. She left today for a six-week tour of front-line units.

The directive, signed by Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee, commanding the ETOUSA Communications Zone, was issued, a Communications Zone, was issued, a Special Service spokesman said, on the principle that troops stationed in Paris should not get special entertainment facilities. Simultaneously, Lee cracked

Cross clubs.

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The directive was issued following publication of two letters in the Paris edition of The Stars and Stripes from front-line soldiers who complained that the men in Paris were enjoying all the breaks, bright lights and entertainment while the front-line stoops was "Portline transfer." while the front-line troops were "getting

Henceforth, USO stars will be for-bidden to appear in Paris' Olympia Theater, which has been taken over by the Army for troops. Olympia shows henceforth will feature only French performers.

