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# U.S. in First Joint North-South Air Blow

### U.S.Bomber Force Tops RAF's Now

#### **Premier Tells of Growing** Pre-Invasion Bombing; War May Enter '45

American and British forces for the invasion of Hitler's Europe will be about equal in numbers, at the outset at least, Prime Minister Winston Churchill told Parliament yesterday in his first war review in five months. At the same time, he revealed that the U.S. bomber force in Britain, engaged in softening Nazi might as a prelude to the gigantic landings-in-force, "has begun to surpass the RAF." Other highlights of the speech:

1—The invasion will be "the greatest joint operation between allies ever under-taken."

2—Germans on the French shore are preparing reprisals "by pilotless plane or rocket, or both, on a considerable scale."

3-The war may not end in 1944. 4—Aerial warfare remains "our chief offensive at present" and "constitutes the foundation" for invasion.

5-Continued bombings of Nazidom will be beyond anything yet "employed or

6—In the four raids on Germany by British and U.S. aircraft Sunday and Monday, 9,000 tons of bombs were dropped. This was more than 10,000 tons by American measure.

Invaders 50-50 U.S., British

Declaring the initial invasion force would be about 50-50 British and Ameri-can, he added: "But if its duration were prolonged the continuous flow of Ameri-cans would make their force the greater. Therefore it is right that the supreme command should go to the United

Churchill's reluctance to even hint at an Allied victory this year is shared in military and naval circles in Washington, the AP reported, while Reuter quoted the German News Agency as saying there was "no surprise" in Berlin over his declaration of air war.

Churchill's outspoken allusion to rockets gave authority to previous inferences by air analysts that the "secret" targets in the Calais area—targets which the crews were ordered to destroy "at any cost"—were rocket-gun emplacements.

cost"—were rocket-gun emplacements.
They have been bombed relentlessly for more than four months now by Marauders, fighter-bombers and sometimes heavies

More Bombings from South

In promising to "smite the Hun by land, sea and air in the coming spring and summer," Churchill stated that bombings of southern Germany from bombings of southern Germany from Italian bases would be stepped up greatly and that Nazi war centers would be blasted "no matter where their factories have been withdrawn"—perhaps hinting at increased Russian blows against the eastern and northeastern Reich.

Employeis on projection of the air raids

Emphasis on projection of the air raids well into the summer was interpreted in some quarters as a counsel for patience; patience for softening up the German Army—which he himself put at some 300 divisions—as a necessary preparation for invasion. One inference could be for invasion. One inference could be that the softening process still has long

The Prime Minister mixed confidence, gravity and high good humor as he praised American blows against the Japanese, cuttoned of "increased retalia-Japanese, cautioned of "increased retalia-tion" by the enemy and reassured Commons of the progress of the war in Italy and on the sea. He declared that despite disquieting articles in the Russian press, "none of the ground made good at Moscow or Teheran has been lost,"

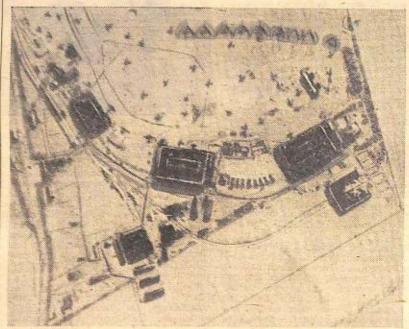
#### L.A. Strike Keeps Power Cut After Gale Fells Lines

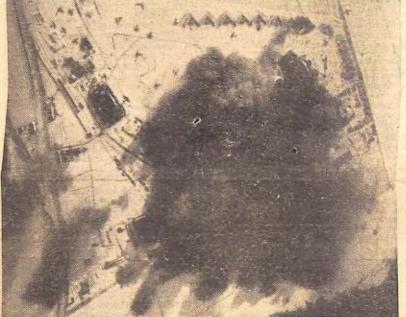
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22—Southern California's worst storm in years, accompanied by strong winds and more than 5½ inches of rain in 48 hours, felled trees and power lines in the Los Angeles area today and left several aircraft plants and 50,000 homes without electricity.

Striking electrical workers, idle nine days to enforce demands for a \$15 increase in their \$325-a-month wages, refused to repair the lines.

"An act of God has brought the city's power system to the ground and it is going to stay there," a spokesman said. LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22-Southern

U.S. Bombers Alter Snow Scene in Reich





U.S. Army Air Force Photos

Top—Untouched buildings of a German aircraft factory at Bernberg, Germany, dot the peaceful snow-covered countryside a few minutes before U.S. bombers attacked last Sunday. Bottom—Smoke billows from buildings in which JU88s and JU188s once were assembled after the accurate raid. Seventeen of the planes caught on the ground were wrecked.

### U.S. Planes Again Hit Kuriles; West Marshalls Mopped Up

Fifteen of 16 islets in Eniwetok atoll of the western Marshall Islands were in the hands of swift-moving Army-Marine troops last night as the pace of the U.S. Pacific offensive continued to gain, with air attacks on Japan's northern outpost of Paramushiro and another one-sided U.S. sea victory in the Southwest Pacific.

Nine more Japanese ships-including three escorting destroyer-corvettes-

### U.S. Dominant Now in Pacific

#### Knox Cites Navy's Deeds, **But Warns China Coast** Still Is Far Away

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22—The U.S. Navy now dominates the Pacific, but very, costly attacks lie ahead before the Allies succeed in gaining the Chinese coast beachheads they must have to knock out Japan, the Navy's two civilian chiefs told a joint press conference today.

Secretary Frank Knox, revealing that 92 Japanese combatant and non-combatant ships were sunk in the three weeks from Feb. 1 to Feb. 21, against a loss of two U.S. submarines, said yesterday's announced changes in the Jap high command were a confession that the enemy campaign against the Allies had failed.

Under-secretary James V. Forrestal, asserting that the Navy now dominated the Pacific, declared, "The Japanese cannot venture into Allied waters, but we can go pretty far into Japanese waters."

The full Japanese strength has not yet been tested, nor have the empire's inner defenses been entered, he pointed out. As for winning beachheads on the Chinese coast, he added, "We know from Italy that the beachhead is no joke." The Japanese Army so far has suffered little, Knox said.

were sent to the bottom by U.S. bombers which caught an enemy convoy trying to run the Rabaul blockade to the Bismarck Islands, north of New Britain.

This is the second convoy to be wiped out in these waters in the last five days, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced, adding that in the last week 44 Japanese ships had been sunk off the Bismarcks.

On Eniwetok, U.S. troops in the last few days have slaughtered the entire Japanese garrison (size not disclosed) on

# Heavies From Italy And Britain Plaster Bomb-Drunk Reich

#### Double Thrust Splits Luftwaffe, Battered Without Letup Since Sunday in **Five Massive Assaults**

Fleets of American heavy bombers and fighters struck Germany simultaneously yesterday from north and south in the first co-ordinated attack from bases in Britain and Italy. It was the third major U.S. bombing operation in three days and the fifth Allied attack in force in the last 60 hours.

While Fortresses and Liberators of the Eighth Air Force were smashing deep into the Reich, bomber forces of the 15th AAF in Italy flew over the

As the bombers thundered into Europe from north and south, fighter planes of the Eighth, Ninth and 15th AAFs, as well as Allied air forces, flew with them, splitting the Nazi defense formations which have been pummeled without letup since before dawn Sunday.

It was the first such two-directional assault planned and carried out by the unified command of the U.S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe and foreshadowed the shape of things to come for Germany's

Way Cleared for Russian

Push Toward Nikolaev, Kherson and Odessa

Krivoi Rog, last important Nazi strong-hold in the eastern Dnieper Bend and source of three-fifths of Russia's pre-war

iron ore, fell by storm to the Soviet Third Ukrainian Army yesterday after two and a half years' occupation by the enemy, Marshal Stalin announced in an order of

Fall of the great industrial center, wrecked and burned by the Nazis before they fled under the increasing pressure of three Soviet armies, cleared the way

for new hammer blows against Kherson, at the mouth of the Dnieper, Nikolaev, 45 miles northwest, and the Black Sea port of Odessa.

The Russian victory, achieved after stubborn, street-by-street fighting, came on the eve of the Red Army's 26th

Nazis Tell of Evacuation

Krivoi Rog, center of vast iron-ore deposits estimated at a billion tons, sup-plied the lifeblood for Russia's great in-

dustrialization. At the western end of a Russian Ruhr stretching eastward to

Zaporozhe and the Dnieper dam, it pro-duced 10,000,000 tons of ore in 1939.

Gains in the North

the city, the nearest of three other armies

on the Baltic front drove within 22 miles

anniversary today.

To Reds; City Is shape of things to come for Germany's innermost defenses. WreckedbyFoe

First official announcement of the blow from Britain did not list targets or losses, but f rom the size of the force involved it seemed likely that the tonnage dropped would carry well past 11,000 the total for the 60-hour Allied drive.

The attack from the south was aimed primarily at the big Messerschmitt fighter plant near Regensburg, already bombed by the Eighth AAF, and was carried out by what officially was described as the greatest force of heavy bombers ever sent against a target from Mediterranean bases.

#### Churchill Promises More

Even as flames were leaping from German targets north and south, Prime Minister Churchill, in a report on the war to Parliament, was promising that in the coming spring and summer "the scale of attacks will reach far beyond the dimensions of anything which has yet been employed or, indeed, imagined."

To his declaration that hombines of

To his declaration that bombings of southern Germany soon would be stepped up greatly from Italian bases and that Nazi war centers would be sought out and blasted "no matter where their factories have been withdrawn," the trans-Alpine bombers of the 15th almost at that very minute were adding an explosive illustration.

Yesterday's raids from British bases Shortly before Marshal Stalin's announcement, Col. Ernst Von Hammer, military commentator of the German News Agency, asserted that the Nazis evacuated the city at noon Monday after wrecking all important was installations

Yesterday's raids from British bases, although in major force, apparently were not made by formations as large as the 2,000-plane U.S. forces which were out Sunday and Monday, but the Prime Minister's address to Parliament pointed wrecking all important war installations.
Heavy weapons, supplies and vehicles were saved, he said.

Demolition squads worked two days in the city, Von Hammer declared, and left only "ruins which do not represent militarily effective gain."

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But the Prime Minister's speech, and

But the Prime Minister's speech, and the burst bombs which punctuated it across the Reich, were only part of the black picture which for 60 hours the

(Continued on page 4)

#### Howard Promoted, Even as the Ukraine armies stormed Given Command of First P51B Group

Maj. James H. Howard, of St. Louis, 30-year-old Flying Tiger who, single-handed, took on 30 or 40 Nazi fighters over Oschersleben Jan. 11 to protect an entire wing of Fortresses, has been promoted to lieutenant colonel and given command of the first P51B Mustang group to operate against the enemy in the ETO.

Howard, an ace in both Pacific and European theaters, succeeds Col. Kenneth R. Martin, of Kansas City, who went down over Frankfurt earlier this month after a head-on collision with an Me410.

Martin had led his group in escort missions to Emden, Kiel, Brunswick and other targets deep in Germany.

Howard, for whom a Congressional Medal of Honor is believed to have been recommended, is credited with at least 12 and possibly 14 enemy planes destroyed, including six Japanese and part of a seventh during 13 months over China and Burma.

Burma.

For his feat over Oschersleben, Howard

For his feat over Oschersleben, Howard claimed only two Nazi aircraft, but eye-witness reports from Fortress crews indi-

cated he shot down four or six. The score has not yet been listed officially.

Capt. Richard D. Turner, 23, of Oklahoma City, will succeed Howard as squadron leader.

#### of Pskov, gateway to Latvia and Estonia, and closed within 26 miles of the important junction of Dno, bisecting the Staraya Russa-Pskov railroad. A new threat to the Nazis fleeing into Pskov developed as Russian units pushed Americans. With enemy resistance practically ended, warships and planes took over the "mopping-up" task with heavy on to the frozen isthmus between Lake Peipus and Pskov—from which the escape railway between Pskov and Riga, Latvia, is less than 40 miles away. (Continued on page 4) Libs Forced Down in Sweden

To Join Airline Run to Britain

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (Reuter)—Eighth Air Force Liberators forced down in Sweden after bombing Europe will be used with the consent of the U.S. government in the Swedish air service from Stockholm to Britain. Converted to carry freight and passengers, the Libs fly with lights and

identifying words will be painted on the fuselage. It was believed here at first that the Germans would refuse to grant safe conduct to the Libs, but an agreement was reached.

The air service to Britain, suspended after the shooting down of an air-liner by a Nazi plane last October, will be resumed next week, but the Libs will not be used for a few weeks, as they are still being converted.

Resumption of the Swedish air service and use of the Libs will give diplomats greater freedom of movement and speed up the delivery of mail

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#### Designed to Disillusion

The American naval-air attack on Truk which is now known to have lasted two days, is chiefly remarkable for the evidence it provides of the overwhelming superiority of the U.S. battle fleet in the Pacific. It cannot too often be stated that in sea warfare, and particularly in the Pacific Ocean which covers half the surface of the globe, there is no substitute for the naval striking power represented by battleship and aircraft carrier strength.

The fact that the Pacific fleet was able to attack Japan's most strategic Pacific airsea base without any interference by the Japanese battle fleet is as clear an indication of the superiority of our own naval striking power as it is of the weakness of the Japs.

In Japan disillusionment now prevails and despite optimistic accounts still being broadcast of the operations, it is officially announced in Tokyo that the chief of the General Naval Staff has been dismissed. and that the present Navy Minister has taken over his duties concurrently with those of the Japanese Admiralty Adminis-tration. Had the Japanese possessed a sufficiently powerful battle fleet, plus an adequate replacement building program behind it, they would never have resigned themselves to such a remarkable display of naval inaction. At best, all they can feel now is that if the attacks are repeated and Truk is captured, thus cutting direct communications with Rabaul, they will still have preserved their main fleet for covering their lines of communication with the Philippines, Dutch East Indies and Malaya.

Tojo's High Command must also feel the push of our forces as they surge closer to all of Japan's main bases. And these feelings are fundamentally defeatist, since each new retreat enables our forces to establish more advanced bases from which an ever-increasing degree of naval command can be exercised against vital Japanese lines of communication.

Perhaps this is why recent Japanese communiques have been dramatically revealing. It may well be that Tojo feels it is time to develop in his people the morale of the cornered rat in the desperate hope of further stiffening home-front morale in a time of great national peril.

#### 34,000-Mile Speedway

Coast to coast and border to border without hitting a red light. No cross traffic, no railway crossings, no steep hills or sharp curves, that's the picture of a 33,920 miles highway system planned for post-war America.

On this national express highway which President Roosevelt has recommended to Congress passenger traffic could move at a speed of 75 miles an hour along a fourlane speedway divided by a strip of green at least 15 feet wide. The proposed highould of course avoid tion and traffic sorters would enable motorist to swing off and stop as desired.

The proposed highway represents only one per cent of America's road net of 3,267,717 miles of roads and streets; but experts claim it would carry at least 20 per cent of the nation's traffic. Conceived after more than two years of study by the national interregional highway committee appointed by the President, shows how a nationally financed road net of this type would benefit the nation and provide work for returning veterans.

The road planners estimate the new highway would cost around \$750,000,000 nighway would cost around \$750,000,000 a year for a building period which might last ten to 20 years. It would follow in general the national highways already built with federal aid and would coincide closely with the main routes of the Army's strategic highway system, serving all the more important war industrial

Those parts of the present national highway system which need most urgent repair at the end of the war would be reconstructed first, absorbing labor released by the Army and war industries and the committee estimates the program would provide work for some two million builders a year,

The proposed system would connect 587 cities of 10,000 or more people and link more than a third of all counties. It would go far toward eliminating traffic's biggest obstacle, which is city congestion now and no longer country and

Specifications for the new roads are based on estimates of what traffic will 20 years from the time the roads are ilt. Its conception is advanced planning with a vengeance, and its acceptance by the federal government and its support by state governments should go far towards stabilizing employment at the end of the war.

## Hash Marks

Unique Occupations Department. Cpl. Unique Occupations Department. Cpl. Anthony J. Sambuck, an army classification specialist, reports these nifties in the ETO. A former butcher in civilian life is now a surgical technician and a former tree surgeon is a dental assistant.

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Our spy on the home front reports the following conversation between a girl

following conversation between a girl applying for a newspaper job and the managing editor:



"Did you ever write anything before?" asked the boss.

"I wrote a confession story once," replied the sweet young thing.
"Did the editor send it back?"

"He did better than that," she replied demurely, "he brought it back himself."

Youth will have its fling. A lieutenant, caught out on the street during an air raid on a certain large English city, ducked into a doorway for shelter and found himself sharing it with a WAC and her Pfc boy friend. Just as the raid reached its climax—planes zooming low, flares falling and ack-ack guns blasting—the falling and ack-ack guns blasting—the
Pfc turned to his girl friend and said
proudly, "See there, I told you if you
dated me you'd see plenty of excite-

Instead of being A.W.O.L. a GI now prefers to be A-W.O.L.F.

Why weathermen go crazy. "Can you tell me the minimum temperature for the next three nights at 11 o'clock?" asked an unidentified voice over the operations phone at a P-38 station. Lt. C. L. Proctor, who took the call, wanted to know the reason for the request. "I'm going on pass and wanted to know whether to take my overcoat," said the voice weakly. voice weakly.

Today's old gag: The courthouse was packed and jammed for a murder trial. The prosecuting attorney waved his finger



in the witness's face and snapped: "You say this woman shot her husband with this pistol at close range?" "Yes," replied the witness calmly. "Any powder marks on his body?" asked the lawyer. "Yes," replied the witness—"that's why she shot him!"

Corniest pun of the week. GIs in London have trouble finding "unro-mantic" taxicabs—you know, the kind that aren't engaged.

J. C. W.

PRIVATE BREGER

# Secret Weapons: No. 3-Ground Plans Invasion Will Unveil Hidden Arms

#### Both Sides Sitting Tight on Latest Inventions

Herewith the third in a series sum-marizing the secret weapons of the warring powers:

#### By Bud Hutton Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Invasion should explode the secret Possibly because the decisive ground engagement in the west is yet to be fought. Axis and Allies alike have kept a much tighter rein on reports of new weapons for use by ground troops. The particular specialists in both forces which will use them know the weapons and, to some extent, the tactics. Otherwise, the secrets really are secret.

Never before have the weapons of other branches of the service been so certain to affect ground forces, because never before have the military arms afloat, in the air and on the land been so closely integrated in attack and defense. The infantryman must learn something about sea mines and must be at home in certain types of vessels. Some infantrymen will reach their battle stations by air, and all of them must know the enemy's aircraft and what each

In previous articles of this series, was pointed out that in the air the Axis' development has been towards basically defensive weapons, the Allies' towards offensive weapons. In ground warfare, and in those elements directly affecting it, this trend is even more marked, be-cause the prime battle Germany must wage is defense of the continental approaches to the Reich, and the Allies' prime task is to breach those defenses, an obvious conclusion which it is well to bear in mind in considering what the Nazis may have planned for the reception.

#### Foolproof Magnetic Mines?

The sea approaches to Europe certainly will be mined when the Allied invasion starts. Thus, the Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm Dagensnyheter writes that magnetic mines which cannot be detected by the usual apparatus are included in the world's greatest mine belt now laid around the Nazi side of the Channel

Nazi Pioneer truppen have been work ing night and day for weeks to intensify this belt as the first obstacle to invaders, according to a British United Press story from Stockholm. Some of the mines are connected with each other by chains, others have a magnetic apparatus which will be exploded by the metal in mine detectors themselves, it is said.

Belts of mines, according to the story which Berlin permitted to pass, are laid both in the sea and for several miles inland. Behind them are what are described as "mesh mine nets," containing new explosives, which cover areas on which airborne troops may descend.

Thus far, the Nazis' mines asea and ashore have been met by Allied measures, and it is assumed that the proper antidotes for such weapons, if they really exist, are ready.

How much faith the Wehrmacht is going to place in its much-publicized miles of concrete and steel fortifications remains to be seen. Yet to some extent those massive hulks of cement and girders, implemented by guns of all caliber and types, bulk large as a secret weapon.

German flanking of the Maginot line

me Brage

S Bear

# and Japanese attack from the rear on sea-girted Singapore, seemed to upset military theory based on static defense, and Russia's mobile reserves, too, have helped dispose of that idea. Still, the Nazi pro-paganda machine turns out picture after picture of slave labor gangs building concrete forts on the West Wall, and the Germans boast that their troops there can stand off invasion even though cut off by stand off invasion even though cut off by airborne forces in their rear.

bardment fails.

Probably a good share of those forti-fications and others are devoted to anti-tank devices, still indicative of the trend to defense. The kernels of such secrets, even as the Allies', are well hidden and probably won't be cracked until invasion

and Japanese attack from the rear on sea-

Allied counter-measures for the concrete pillboxes and the larger forts pro-bably have been much affected by the lessons of Tarawa, in the Pacific. There, hundreds of tons of explosives were heaped on a few square yards of defended ground, but when the troops came ashore they were met by withering fire. crete, steel, coconut logs and earth had resisted all but direct hits by explosives of major caliber. It could be, on a simply logical basis, that any Allied secrets in the direction of rocket-powered or gliderbombs, could be intended for smashing just such fortifications if ordinary bom-

The Allies are hardly likely to board their LST craft without some advance assurance they can pulverize the best of the Wehrmacht's static defense. As a matter of fact, one of the by now

open secrets of the Allied arsenal is in-

#### All-Service Landing Crafts

It is a far cry from the Kermath-powered Higgins launches, which two powered Higgins launches, which two years ago were the large extent of landing craft, to the ocean-going LSTs which cracked open Sicily and Italy, New Britain and the Marshalls. Their decks crammed with scientifically packed gear which will be used ashore in the order in which it is stacked back from the bow, the assault craft carry sustenance for a bridgehead and do it largely without armament, relying on air umbrella and escorting warships for protection. The need for arming these craft and for special craft to cover their landings seems special craft to cover their landings seems certain to be met by invasion time, if it

has not already been taken care of.

The M25 rescue vehicle, incidentally provides a good auxiliary to the LSTs. According to recent reports, it is a bull-dozer-tank-tug which can be used to extricate craft and weapons stuck by surf and sand bars as they come onto an alien shore. Its need was pointed in the land-ings at Salerno.

Amphibious armored craft, such as the Ducks already revealed, will play a part in any future landings and may be supplemented by other types whose need has been felt in the Mediterranean. Rocket transport for high explosives

is by no means confined to weapons of the air or siege, as the Nazis have used against the bombers or as the neutrals say they have tried to prepare it on the

coast of France.
War on the Eastern front has brought out the use of rockets as field artillery by both sides, with the Russian Ketusha apparently outfiring the Nazi Nebelwerfer. As a matter of fact, the American bazooka

Once a German "secret weapon," this bazooka gun was captured by two American soldiers in fighting for Cassino recently. The weapon, merely a copy of the U.S. bazooka, was seized during an enemy attack on U.S. tanks. (smoke projector, literally) was designed to lay down a vapor camouflage of treop movements, but later was used to launch rockets carrying high explosive against lack that heaveled mobility and the Ketusha lack the bazooka's mobility and easy concealment for ambush.

Not the least of the German defensive weapons revealed by the campaign in Italy is the railroad wrecker.

Italy is the railroad wrecker.

Designed to destroy railroad tracks in the wake of retreating forces, the wrecker is a heavy flatcar drawn by an armored locomotive. On the rear of the flatcar is a gigantic hook which is lowered to the track by a built-in crane. The hook is sunk into the roadbed and the powerful locomotive hauls it along ripping up the locomotive hauls it along, ripping up the

ties as it goes.

Simultaneously, chutes on each side of the car drop adhesive containers of explosives which fasten themselves to the rails and, bursting, twist the steel into unsalvageable lengths.

#### Tanks—and Gas

Of Nazi tanks little has been reported since the advent of the Mark V Panther siege gun, an offshoot of the heavy Mark VI Tiger, and it is doubtful whether Allied air attacks on Nazi heavy industry have permitted them to amass any consider by a martifular place of new factors. iderable quantities of new heavy tanks.

Allied armor is secret, except for nodels used in Italy and Sicily, but there have been rumors of several new types, some of them designed for special tasks not heretofore assigned to tank forces, and it has been published that at least one model of super-heavy American tank was coming off the production lines.

Both sides have been unusually silent of late about the real because of production.

of late about the real bogey of modern war-poison gas. Certainly, the Ger-mans, open as they are to air attack. would suffer in the long run by introduc-

ing poison gas to try to repel invasion.

There has been speculation as to the purpose of the Allied air blows at Frank-furt, one of Germany's chemical centers, and reported attacks on Ludwigshafen Mannheim, second largest of the Nazi

Mannheim, second largest of the Naza chemical plants.
Certainly, if the Allies had reason to believe the Germans planned to use poison gas, those two cities, harboring the heart of I.G. Farbenindustrie and the affiliated chemical works, would be logical targets.
Finally, there is perhaps Germany's Finally, there is perhaps Germany's most secret weapon, the one which out of all those of the war may go down as most nearly decisive-propaganda in all its forms.

Fifth columns, as perfected in Spanish Civil War: Nazi-influe Nazi-influenced neutral sources, whispering campaigns started by secret agents, radio broadcasts twisted about a grain of truth—all form part of the cunning Goebbels' plan for dividing to conquer by means of half-truths.

Newest report on a refinement of the Newest report on a refinement of the propaganda weapon is carried by neutral papers which say a squadron of the Luftwaffe has been detached for modifications which would permit it to carry radio broadcast units above enemy lines by day and night. Loud speakers would blare down at the troops the same old b ogeyman stories, offers of compromise, charges of treachery by allies, and all the other devices of Goebbels' twisted brain.

Which in a very practical way, is pretty

Which in a very practical way, is pretty good, but so far hasn't proved as good as the Allied counter-offer to prisoners As a matter of fact, the American bazooka seems at least on a par with and probably superior to both. The Nebelwerfer good square meal, even of Spam.



"Get going on the double-KP for you

And, while I dressed in darkness, I cursed

the Army well And singled out the Sergeant for a special

spot in Hell.

And so I joined the growling group of KPs-in the gloom And marched with them across the Post-

quiet as a tomb.

He woke me in the morning, at three Inside the giant mess hall they checked our shirts and hands

To see that they were clean-before we wrestled garbage cans.

Then, in the kitchen, roll was called; and work was meted out

And some went on the garbage—and some went on the sprouts And some, like me, were put to work, just scrubbing pots 'n' pans

And, unromantic as it was, that's how "My Day" began! Pvt. Albert J. Weinert, IX Air Force.

"My hope chest, Sir!"

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Ex-Champ Clips

Lopez by TKO

In First Round

7 Bouts Fail to Go Limit;

Bill Kingsland, ETO

Titlist, Loses

Former lightweight champion Lew Jenkins, now a seaman first class in the Coast Guard, paid a shore visit to the Rainbow Corner last night in the featured three-rounder of a 12-bout card.

Lew's prowess, however, wasn't on view very long. After pawing a few moments with his opponent, Sgt. Al Lopez, San Francisco 147-pounder, Lew tagged him with a left behind the car and Lopez "had it." He was counted out at one minute, 47 seconds. Lopez, who claims to have had two contests with Fritzie Zivic, was defin'tely no match for the boy from Sweetwater, Texas.

Although the Jenkins bout was the preprogram highlight, sensation of the card, in which seven fights failed to go the distance, was the upset victory of Pvt. Lafayette Drummond, 158-pound Negro from St. Louis, over ETO light-heavy king Pvt. Bill Kingsland, of Redundo Beach, Cal.

Drummond Opens with Rush

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Spotting Kingsland ten pounds, Drummond was ahead all the way. After jarring Kingsland with two rights to the head at the start of the first, Drummond

kept peppering away at long range, mixing up looping, underhand lefts to the body and a clouting right to the head. The Missourian refused to be drawn in close, where Kingsland is at his best. In the in-fighting, he tied up the Californian and completely stymied the champ's attack.

Bill's timing was off and he frequently missed opportunities that might have cut down Drummond's point margin. How-ever, there was no doubt in anyone's mind as to the winner, Drummond winning

### Blackbirds Stop Wand J, Clinch Bid to Tourney

Rally Falls Short to Give LÍU 45 - 42 Victory; Westminster Wins

NEW YORK, Feb. 22—The Blackbirds of Long Island, playing their first season without Clair Bee to guide them, virtually clinched a bid to the national invitational basketball tournament by shading Washington and Jefferson, 45—42, last night in the finale of a twin feature of Madison Square Garden.

42, last night in the finale of a twin feature at Madison Square Garden.

Little Westminster rallied sharply to score 41 points in the second half of the opener to clip Brooklyn College, 58—50.

Long Island rushed to its customary lead and protected its margin throughout, although the Blackbirds were pressed in the closing minutes by the Presidents' scoring surge led by Paul Anthony.

Anthony, Sterling Pace Drive

The game was crammed with action, especially when Anthony and team-mate Ed Sterling staged their stirring finish which just fell short of overtaking the Blackbirds. Anthony and Sterling tallied 17 points each; Al Bair was high for Long Island with 12 points, ten coming in the second half. in the second half.

in the second half.

Westminster lagged, 21—17, at the half, but Ed Little, six-foot, four-inch setshot artist, paced a second-half assault on Brooklyn's basket that earned victory. He caged 19 points, but Lennie Singer, of Brooklyn, grabbed scoring honors for the game with 22.

Though Singer had little trouble locating Westminster's basket, his team-mates bumped into trouble with enemy guards and couldn't help the cause to any appreciable extent.

appreciable extent.

### Rajah to Boost Sport in Mexico

MEXICO CITY, Feb. Hornsby, in Mexico to take over as manager of the Vera Cruz Blues baseball team, today outlined a program to improve the sport below the border.

One of his plans calls for the start of a baseball school such as those developing

youngsters in the States. Other innova-tions will be added from time to time,

Meanwhile, Marty McManus, ex-Boston Red Sox manager, was due to arrive in Nuevo Laredo, just across the Rio Grande from Texas, for a conference which may lead to his becoming the

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Street Hotel, Knightsbridge, London, SW3,
March 7, 7 PM. Send reservations to Sgt. W. T.

#### Blozis Ends GI Myth; Uniforms Made to Fit

CAMP SIBERT, Ala., Feb. 22— After three weeks of frantic search, the Army finally located uniforms to fit Al Blozis, six-foot six-inch, 250pound tackle of the New York grid Giants. He is now in training at the Chemical Warfare service center—wearing special uniforms made to fit his huge frame.

Blozis holds the world record for the AAU indoor shot put and starred in football and the discus throw while attending Georgetown U.

### Move by Army Aids Colleges

Dropping of Specialized Training Units Frees Athletic Plants

NEW YORK, Feb. 22-With the Army abandoning its specialized training, college gyms and fieldhouses will be turned back te civilian colleges and make it possible for many schools to return to sports

Shortage of capable athletic manpower wasn't the only factor forcing certain universities to drop sports. Complete occupation of the school's athletic plants by the trainees forced the decision in many instances

The huge manpower demands of foot-ball may delay the recovery by grid teams, but basketball, baseball, swimming wrestling and tennis, with smaller man-power problems, are certain to make rapid gains.

While the Army has dropped college training completely, the Navy has no intention of discontinuing its policy. Navy trainees are eligible for all sports providing they keep within scholastic requirements.

#### Lambeau Opposes Pro Grid Expansion Until After the War

NEW YORK, Feb.22—Curly Lambeau, veteran coach of the Green Bay Packers, turned thumbs down today to possible expansion of the National Football League at present because of problems created by the manpower shortage.

An eight-team league, with some teams pooling their talent until conditions war-rant expansion, will protect the league



Curly Lambeau

until the war ends, Lambeau declared He said he doesn't favor Boston breaking into the loop this year and thinks Cleve-land should remain idle as last year.

"I am not against granting good fran-chises," Curly asserted, "but I don't think new clubs should operate until conditions warrant such a move. I feel that the old standbys could replace their losses because they have a nucleus to start with, but I doubt that a new club can come in cold, start from the ground and still maintain our caliber."

### AGE RESULTS

Akron 67, Muskingum 64
Floyd Bennett Field 44, Cathedral 34
Bkn. Army 73, Staten Island 29
Camp Edwards 45, Boston CG 43
Iowa State 43, Missoori 32
Long Island 45, W and J 42
Mitchell Field 67, Ft. Hamilton 43
Navy Apprentices 52, VMI 32
Southwest Louislana 60, LSU 37
Texas 81, Texas Aggles 36
Westminster 58, Brooklyn 50

# Jenkins Wins at Rainbow Club

Passing Ace of the Professionals



Slingin' Sammy Baugh, hurling standby of the Washington Redskins, gets set to heave one of his specialities.

### Baugh Edges Sid Luckman In Pro Passing Department

CHICAGO, Feb. 22-Sid Luckman's passes paraded the powerful Chicago Bears to the National Football League title, but "Mr. Brains" finished second to Slingin' Sammy Baugh of the Washington Redskins in the forward passing department, according to official statistics released today.

Slingin' Sammy corraled the passing championship with a completion average of .577, while Luckman's mark was .545. Baugh was the more accurate

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marksman, but the Windy City T-forma-tion expert was more devastating as he gained 2,194 yards—the equivalent of 11 city blocks—and hurled 28 touchdown

passes.

These new marks set by Luckman have been approved as all-time seasonal highs, shattering those established by Green Bay's Cecil Isbell in 1942. Sid's banner day came against the New York Giants when he connected for the incredible number of 21 of 32 passes to gain 433 yards and net seven touchdowns.

Baugh's red-letter game was against the Brooklyn Dodgers Oct. 31 when he completed 16 of 28 tosses to break the one-game record in yards gained. His passes game record in yards gained. His passes that afternoon totalled 376 yards and six touchdowns, but the record was not permanent as the Giants bumped into Luck-

man two weeks later. Despite a series of injuries, Baugh broke four of Arnie Herber's lifetime marks. They were 79 touchdown passes, 8,379 yards gained, 1,229 passes attempted and 93 tosses intercepted, 19 of which occurred last season.

In all, it was a great season for the gents who earn their pay checks throwing passes. But Redskin rooters already are pointing toward the '44 title game, hoping that if Washington and the Bears collide, Baugh will not be sidelined again with in-juries which kept him idle for almost three quarters.

Bagby returned his second unsigned con-tract to the Cleveland Indians today and

said, "I'll retire from baseball unless the Indians agree to my terms or trade me to another club. I won't play for what I did last year and probably couldn't get along with Manager Lou Boudreau anyway."

NEW YORK, Feb. 22-The Yankees today announced the signing of Joe Page,

rookie southpaw, while another source was announcing simultaneously that their star left-hander, Marius Russo, would report to Camp Upton, Long Island, for induction. Page is a product of the Yanks' Newark farm club. Last year he won 14

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 22-Frank Mancuso.

HE # SOBA

St. Louis Brown catcher and younger brother of Gus, of the New York Giants, has been reinstated for active duty by Commissioner Landis. Frank was given

Diamond Dust

Jack to Meet

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NEW YORK, Feb. 22—Beau Jack, cognized in New York as lightweight ampion, has a busy fistic calendar next onth, according to Promoter Mike cobs.

The Negro puncher will toss his title up Madison Square Garden recognized in New York as lightweight champion, has a busy fistic calendar next month, according to Promoter Mike

The Negro puncher will toss his title up for grabs in Madison Square Garden Mar. 3 against Bob Montgomery then tackle Al "Bummy" Davis in a non-title affair Mar. 17.

Davis who restored himself to good standing last Friday by stopping Montgomery in the first round, must weigh in below 144 pounds against Jack. Montgomery, although badly whipped by Davis, did not lose his title shot at Jack, the papers having been signed before his surprise loss.

#### Schoolboy Rowe in Navy

DALLAS, Feb. 22-Lynn "Schoolboy" Rowe, former Detroit and Phillie pitching star, has been sworn into the Navy and will be assigned to either Great Lakes or

Farragut, Idaho, training stations. Rowe is married and the father of two children.

DETROIT, Feb. 22-Joe Hare and Walter 'Boom Boom' Beck, both right-

Water Boom Boom Beek, both right-handed pitchers, have been signed by the Detroit Tigers for relief work. Hare and Beck were among the 90 players made free agents by Commissioner Landis, in 1940 when he found the Tigers guilty of illegal farm operations.

ATLANTA, Feb. 22—John Hubbell, brother of Carl, the famous New York Giant southpaw, has been signed by the

Atlanta Crackers of the Southern Association. John, recently released from the

GREENVILLE, S.C., Feb. 22— Martin Marion, St. Louis Cardinal short-

stop who was classified as suitable only for limited service in the Army, will report to Fort Jackson, S.C., Thursday for a second physical exam.

Army, was a free agent.

#### Balentino Scores TKO Win

Woods, who had done plenty of damage in the first, putting up little or no

built up a big point margin in the first two rounds that offset Fertig's late rush.

Menchaca Decisions Woods

Pfc Dick Menchaca, 134-pound Golden Glover from Port Arthur, Texas, redeemed himself in the eyes of his supporters in the opening scrap and added No. 5 to his string of wins by outpointing S/Sgt.

Earl Woods, 130-pounder from Columbus, Ohio.

Dick's hard lefts began connecting more in the second stanza and began telling on the tiring Woods, whom he had on the ropes several times just before the bell. The third was still more one-sided, with Woods, who had done please of damage.

It took Pyt. Jean Balentino, Puerto

Diamond Dust

Jim Bagby Remains a Holdout;

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ATLANTA, Feb. 22—Pitcher Jim a medical discharge from the Army lagby returned his second unsigned contact to the Cleveland Indians today and in the cleveland Indians today and incident Indians today and incident Indians today and India

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Falls, Ore., 131-pounder, in one minute 26 seconds after the opening bell.

The fight was all Art's after he caught Tony in the first few seconds with a hard left to the head. He followed this with lefts and rights to the head and body, and the referee, Tom McDougal, stopped the scrap when it was obvious that Ortiz and the research of the New York Artist and Legal and the scrap when it was obvious that Ortiz and the research of the New York Artist and Legal and the scrap when it was obvious that Ortiz and the scrap when it was obvious the scrap when it was obvious the scrap when it was obvious the s had had enough of the New York whirl-

Here are the summaries of other bouts: Pvt. Roger Sanchez, San Antonio, Texas, 129, outpointed Pvt. Jerry Pecoraro, New York, 126, Pvt. Elmo Barnes, Detroit, 167, TKOed Pvt. Morris Shapiro, Philadelphia, 163, 1:16 of the second.

Pvr. Lawrence Dobbins, Cleveland, 158, TKOed vt. Lawrence Casati, Brooklyn, 155, 1:16 of

Pvt. Lawrence Casath, Brooklyn, 188, Kled Pvt. Renny Droll, Peoria, Ill., 168, KOed Pvt. John Sharpe, Chicago, 176, 1:41 of the second. Pvt. Tom Walbert, Cumberland, Md., 169, TKOed Pvt. Austin Wilson, Ferriday, La., 165, 1:04 of the third.
Pvt. William Wright, Youngstown, Oblo, 150, outpointed Pvt. Ralph Simmons, Cumberland, Md.; 150.

By Al Capp

and lost five.

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### **Guns Hammer** Nazis Massing Anew at Anzio

#### Lull in Ground Battling Follows 2nd German Bridgehead Defeat

Allied guns have blasted German tanks and infantry massing in the Carroceto area for a new assault. The action came amid a lull indicating that the fiercest enemy drive against the Italian bridgehead since the Allied landings had ended in

failure.

Joining to smash feverish Nazi attempts Joining to smash feverish Nazi attempts to regroup their badly mauled divisions, massing for a third attack on the bridge-head, Allied air forces have made heavy raids on German positions, flying 500 sorties Monday alone without loss.

While heavy bombers were grounded by bad weather, mediums hit the railroad yards at Orte, 40 miles north of Rome, and docks at Imperia and Leghorn.

There were only three reports of fighting yesterday—two localized frays, in the

#### Yanks Seized at Anzio Up to Par, Nazis Admit

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22 (UP)-American troops taken prisoner in the Anzio bridgehead "make a very good impression on their captors," the Berlin correspondent of the German-controlled Swedish Telegraph Bureau said today.

Reporting Nazi claims that 600 U.S. soldiers had been captured there, he

"The prisoners maintain complete silence on military matters, although they talk freely about their families, their professions and their homes."

American-defended Cisterna sector and

one near Carroceto.

However, Rome radio, claiming that the Germans were forcing the Allies to give ground, said that fighting continued with

undiminished fury.

The Germans early Monday tried a new

the Germans early Montag tried a new stunt, sending a group of E-boats along the coast toward Anzio.

Along the main Fifth Army front, clashes continued in the streets of Cas-sino as American units strove to push forward in house-to-house fighting.

#### Distant Kin of Lincoln Is Slain in Washington

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22—Dr. John E. Lind, distinguished Washington physician and distant relative of Abraham incoln, was shot dead yesterday driving

his car along a busy Capital street.

Robert I. Miller, a prominent attorney, and his wife were held on an open charge. No official explanation of the shooting

was given.

Dr. Lind was a fourth cousin of Lincoin's mother.

#### 1943 Aluminum Output 75 Pct. Over That of '42

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (Reuter)— Primary aluminum production in the U.S. in 1943 exceeded 1942 output by more than 75 per cent, or 1,800,000,000 pounds,

WPB reported.

Recovery of the metal from secondary sources reached a peak in December, when primary and secondary production was

#### **New Symphonic Series** Starts on AFN Tonight

The first in a new series of bi-weekly symphonic programs featuring the RAF Symphony Orchestra will be heard over the American Forces Network at 10

o'clock tonight. With W/Cmdr. R. P. O'Donnell conducting, the program will consist of the Egmont Overture by Beethoven; Symphony No. 8 in B Minor (Unfinished) by Schubert; Eine Kleine Nacht Musik by Mozart and Swan Lake by Tschaikovsky.

Tonight's commentator will be Col John E. Kerr, of Painesville, Ohio, AFN staff announcer.

#### Wednesday, Feb. 23

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1700—Sign on—"Billy Cotton's Song Shop" (BBC) and Program Resume.

1730—Lone Ranger—Hi-O-Silver Away!
1800—World News (BBC).
1810—Gl Supper Club.
1850—Army Talks.
1900—Seven O'Clock Sports.
1905—Carnival of Music.
1903—Kate Smith Program.
2000—News from Home—Nightly roundup of news from the U.S.A.
2010—Fred Waring Program.
2025—Human Interest in Books.
2030—Kay Kyser's Kollege of Musical Knowledge.
2100—World News (BBC).

2120—Novatime 2125—The Day of the Red Army, 2155—Choir of the Red Army, 2200—RAF Symphony, 2255—Final Edition, 2300—Sign off until 1100 hours Thursday, Feb. 24.

#### In London You Suffer Most, Devers Declares

ANZIO BEACHHEAD, Feb. 16 (delayed) (Reuter)-Lt, Gen. Jacob L. Devers, deputy commander of Mediterranean forces, told newsmen

"The closer you get to this battle the better the spirit. It is in Algiers, Washington and London you suffer

"Things look all right here, everybody is keen to get at those Germans -and that's the spirit that wins."

#### Help Wanted Even Helps Magicians Find Lost Tricks

The Stars and Stripes Help Wanted Department, which claims virtually superhuman power to do things for people, like obtaining over-size shoes, locating lost girl friends in the WACs and finding eagles for bombers' mascots, vesterday came through with undisputable. yesterday came through with undisputable evidence of its boast. It located, with the aid of the Army and Navy, the bag of tricks lost by a GI magician in London last weekend.

T/4 Milbourne Christopher, Baltimore profes@onal prestidigitator, lost his magic bag in a theater the day before he was to perform for the International Brother-hood of Magicians. He went to the police first, then The Stars and Stripes. The latter produced.

M/Sgt. Norman White, of Irvington, N.J., stumbled across the red bag in the West End, thought the colored handkerchiefs inside were signal flags and turned his find over to a sailor friend. Next day both read of the loss in The Stars and Stripes and so—presto, the Help Wanted Department, at 37 Upper Brook St., awaits a call from T/4 Christopher.

#### U.S. Moving to Effect Baruch Prosperity Plan

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22-The U.S. has begun setting up the machinery pro-posed by Bernard M. Baruch for converting the national economy from war to

War Mobilization Director James F Byrnes announced the appointments of Assistant Secretary of Commerce Will L. Clayton to handle disposal of surplus property and Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, veterans' administrator, to supervise employment and rehabilitation.

A Surplus War Property Administra-tion has been created by executive order.

#### Col. Hatcher, Group Chief, Is Prisoner in Germany

Col. William A. Hatcher Jr., of Detroit, reported missing in action after the Dec. 31 mission to France, has been reported alive in a German prison camp. In a postcard sent to Lt. Col. Robert

W. Boles, of Spokane, Wash., ground executive of the group Col. Hatcher commanded, the flier said be parachuted to earth unscratched.

#### Ask Intercession by U.S. 'In the Behalf of Finland'

FITCHBURG, Mass., Feb. 22-Fifty members of the Finnish-American League for Democracy, asserting they spoke for 400,000 Finns in the U.S., adopted a resolution at the league's annual convention calling upon the U.S. government "to intercede on Finland's behalf, in the interest of lasting peace, against her powerful enemies."

(Continued from page 1)

bombardments of Parry Island, last enemy stronghold on Eniwetok.

Several other atolls in the eastern Marshalls were bombed and shelled, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz announced at Pearl Harbor.

In the North Pacific, Navy Ventura torpedo bombers blasted harbor objectives on Paramushiro and Shumushu islands in the Kuriles, 750 miles north of the Japanese mainland. Hits were scored and all U.S. planes returned safely from the attack, the fourth on the islands

#### NEWS FROM HOME

### Congress Gets Tax Bill Back; FDR Vetoes It

#### Roosevelt Scores 2-Billion Plan as a Concession to . Special Privilege

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22-In his second veto in a week, President Roosevelt today returned to Congress its \$2,315,000,000 tax bill, which he called "wholly ineffective."

Estimating that the measure would bring in less than \$1,000,000,000 a year, the President called for a new tax bill, "in

the President called for a new tax bill, "in the interest of strengthening the home front and speeding the day of victory."

He declared that the bill was a relief measure, not for the needy but for the greedy, adding that it afforded "indefensible special privileges to favored groups" and set dangerous precedents.

The bill was passed after Consequently.

The bill was passed after Congress had rejected a treasury demand for a \$10,500,000,000 measure.

House Speaker Sam Rayburn, predicting a veto, said yesterday that it be sus-

Blaming Congress for the complexity of the present income-tax forms, the President said he hoped action would be taken swiftly to simplify them.

The taxpayers, he said, were engaged

in an effort to win the war and were "not in a mood to study higher mathematics." The President previously had vetoed a measure banning further payment of food subsidies. The veto was sustained

#### The Army Never Gives Up

in the House.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 22-Lawrence Anderson is awaiting his third induction into the Army. He enlisted in December, 1942, and was discharged in April, 1943, because of a missing trigger finger. He was drafted last July and discharged again in September, same reason. Recently he received a 1-A classification notice from his draft board in the same mail with his mustering-out check.

#### Tit for Tat

COLUMBIA, S.C., Feb. 22—A coaland-ice dealer sent to the liquor store for a quart of whisky. The liquor dealer said he would have to buy a quart of wine to get the whisky. Several days later the liquor dealer phoned the coal-andice dealer to order a ton of coal. Said the latter: "You'll have to buy a ton of ice in order to get the coal."

#### All Gassed Down

NEW YORK, Feb. 22 - By cutting down on the use of official automobiles, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland and the District of Columbia have saved a total of 900,000 gallons of gasoline and 2,500 tires in three months, according to Daniel P. Wooley, regional OPA chief.

#### Bill of Rights Copy Found

PROVIDENCE, R.I., Feb. 22—An original copy of the Bill of Rights, written in 1789, has been found in the bottom of an old filing cabinet. In 1929 Congress ordered 14 copies of the Bill of Rights. Only seven are known to be in existence today.

#### When It Gets Dry, It's Wet.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 22-Bootleg whisky is pouring into Pennsylvania as in Prohibition days, according to William Dunne, spokesman for a local tavern association. He said bootleggers were getting \$65 a case for cheaper liquor and \$100 for the better grades.

#### Beau Geste

HOLLYWOOD, Feb. 22-Pvt. Frank Loesser, now of the Air Forces, has pre-sented a \$5,500 check, representing part of his royalties from the song, "Praise the Lord and Pass the Ammunition," to the Army Emergency Relief Fund.

#### Eleanor's Going Again

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (AP)—Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt told a press conference yesterday that she was planning to leave on a tour of the Caribbean at a time to be fixed by the President and the Departments of War, Navy and State.

#### Bullitt's Daughter Weds GI

FORT MEADE, Md., Feb. 22—Miss Ann Bullitt, 19, daughter of the former U.S. ambassador to France and Russia, William C. Bullitt, was married in the post chapel to S/Sgt. Casper W. B. Townsend, of Merion, Pa.

# She's Descendant of Washington Family



Stars and Stripes Photo by Kane

The Washington Club in London celebrated the first President's birthday approrice washington Club in London celebrated the first President's birthday appropriately yesterday by having as guest Mrs. Alexander Kinloch, a native New Yorker but a London resident 14 years. She is a descendant of George Washington's brother Lawrence, and her great uncle was Francis Scott Key, who wrote "The Star Spangled Lawrence, and her great uncle was Francis Scott Key, who wrote "The Star Spangled Banner." Above, she receives a hatchet as a memento from Sgt. Bill Giseburt, of Pattonsburg, Mo.

### Village of Washington Marks Birthday of 'Father' of U.S.

WASHINGTON, England, Feb. 22-1 Villagers and their children joined with American servicemen in commemorating the 212th anniversary of George Washington's birthday at ceremonies today in this village, the birthplace of some of Washington's ancestors.

Assembled in the village school, they heard Col. Roy W. Grower, commanding officer of Eastern Base Section, declare:

"George Washington belongs to both of us. That's why we're proud to be with you on this anniversary."

#### Raids (Continued from page 1)

Allied air forces had been painting in

Nazi skies.

With German fighter-plane production battered in five major assaults, and with at least 35 per cent of its remaining assembly lines destroyed since Sunday, the Luftwaffe yesterday saw its strength further chopped away in a five-to-one victory scored by U.S. fighters of the Eighth and Ninth Air Forces.

Meanwhile, a final assessment of fighter and Bomber-gunner claims in Monday's

and Bomber-gunner claims in Monday's multifold missions showed 18 enemy planes destroyed by gunners and 33 by

fighters.
Two hundred and thirty-four Nazi interceptors now have been destroyed by U.S. fighters from Britain in February, against the loss of 56 American planes. In January the figure was 220 Nazis for

While the heavies and their huge escort were out yesterday, the medium Marauder bombers of the Ninth Air Force struck again at Luftwaffe bases on the Nazi defense perimeter.

The Marauders hit the Gilze-Rijen air-

field in Holland, probably one base for forces carrying out reprisal raids on Britain, as well as for units used to intercept the Reich-bound heavies. Hits were ored all across the airdr returning B26 crews told of columns of flame and smoke rising from the Luft-waffe depot there. Two B26s were

reported missing.

As the first scant reports of yesterday's vast operation came out, it was apparent that the raid story airmen everywhere have been expecting finally was being

Germany was being hit from top and dermany was being hit from top and bottom, simultaneously, by major bomber forces. Relays of fighters were covering the bombers, and on the fringes of the Reich its outer defenses were being pounded by lesser forces—and all under one, unified command.

In only the first 60 hours of the assault the eventual pattern segmed appraisant.

the eventual pattern seemed apparent:
First, destruction of Germany's power to resist in the air by smashing her air force in being, her reserves and production machinery; next, the systematic bombing of Nazi war industry by Allied fleets from north and south, by day and night until

I'VE PICKED UP

A pageant stressing Anglo-American unity was given by school children, who later besieged the Americans for autographs, going especially for one lone sailor, Virgil R. Betsom, of Monica, Illinois, carpenter's mate third class, who just arrived on leave to visit relatives

At Durham Cathedral, eight miles from Washington, Col. Grower unveiled a plaque to John Washington, one of the first of the Washington family, who was the Prior of the cathedral in the fifteenth century.

the Nazis' capacity to resist by any means should be hamstrung or wiped out en-

Forces of RAF Mosquito bombers lashed at Germany and objectives in the enemy-occupied territories during Mon-day night to keep the Luftwaffe's defenses stretched taut, but there was no attack in force such as the RAF raid on Leipzig in the pre-dawn hours early Sunday which

The RAF's Leipzig attack, at a cost of 79 aircraft, the war's highest toll, pulled German interceptors away from their bases and when the first big American fleet sailed into Nazi skies Sunday morning opposition was considerably below what might have been expected.

Lt. Gen. Carl Spaatz, USSTAF commander, acknowledged this factor in a message to Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Harris, of the RAF:

"The great effort you made against Leipzig lest night."

Leipzig last night was a tremendous help to our successful mission today (Sunday). As a direct result of your bombing, fires guided our planes to their objective, and fighter opposition was minimized. I consider our joint blows against the enemy during the last 24 hours are a real step towards final victory. My deep appre-ciation and hearty congratulations go to all members of your Command."

Air Chief Marshal Harris replied:
"I much appreciate your welcome
message and congratulate you in turn on your heavy and most successful attack. Thanks largely to our combined efforts on Thanks largely to our combined efforts on the previous day and night the enemy fighter force failed to achieve any successful defense on Stuttgart, which we hope has now been heavily hit at a small cost. By mutual help such as this we can impose a strain on the German fighters which will break them down. If we thus share the load, we have the power to reduce to impotence the greatest obstacles to complete and final victory."

The Fortress and Liberator attack Sunday on Leipzig, and four other German aircraft factories, as well as a handful of other targets, cost us 21 bombers and three fighters and set up the first 2,000 plane figure for a daylight raid. Even then, Luftwaffe defenses were badly mauled, but that night the RAF went out in "very great strength" to Stuttgart, pounded the huge Robert Bosch ignition works there and left fires which were still burning when reconnaissance planes took pictures on Monday. the previous day and night the enemy

By Milton Caniff

#### Terry and the Pirates

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PROVES SHE'S

HAVE BEEN TRAILIN'!

STUFF'S A-POPPIN'!

IMAGINE THAT FRENCH CAPTAIN MIDI TURNIN'

OUT TO BE A DAME ?



MEEDLE FORK MARQUETTE!

OF COI REEVAIR ON THE BALL!

DUE SOUTH.... THE KID'S THEIR VOICES, COL. CORKIN ... THE WOMAN'S BEEN YELLING FOR ZEROS TO COME OUT AND ESCORT HER TO THEES EES A RATTLER'S JAP TERRITORY ... 5-A-N-J-A-K NEST!

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