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Russians Narrow German Escape Gap

Baranello's Fall to 8th **IsReported**

Algiers Tells of Allied Gain In Flanking Drive; 5th In Short Advance

Algiers Radio reported late last night that the British Eighth Army had captured Baranello, which dominates the highway running west from Vinchiaturo in central Italy and represents an important gain in the Eighth's drive west to outflank German positions north of the Volturno River.

There were few details of the Baranello capture, but the sector has been the scene of heavy fighting the last few

days.

Elsewhere in the easternmost area there was little other activity than patrol encounters yesterday, but the right wing of the Fifth Army drove forward four miles to capture Alife, an important rail junction, while Allied aerial forces, maintaining an incessant attack on German rearward positions, beat off the first ultwalle opposition to appear in some

Attack on Cancello Repulsed

Despite heavy German counter-attacks, the Fifth was driving ahead in western Italy in a series of short jabs, the latest of which brought the capture of Alite-Farther west, British troops of the Fifth repulsed a fierce enemy counter-thrust north of the village of Cancello, along the Volturno six miles inland from the

At the coast, the British dug in only three miles from Mondragone, coastal anchor of the new German line running east to Venafro, along the Massico ridge. From Alife, the right wing of the Fifth was moving toward Venafro.

The Luftwaffe attempt to halt the Allied aerial offensive cost the Germans at least 16 planes for the loss of one Allied aircraft, and failed to hamper the deadly bombing raising havoc with enemy communications and supply.

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Bridges Are Blasted

The Allied attacks included heavy raids on targets throughout central Italy, swoops on railways in Jugoslavia, and a raid on the island of Rhodes. Marauders smashed a vital road bridge ten miles west of Orvieto, while Flying Fortresses hammered two railway bridges at Albina, on the coastal railway from Rome to

Leghorn. While Warhawks shot down an entire orte of Stukas which were about to attack patriot units in Jugoslavia, other Warhawks strafed German shipping in the harbor of Split, in the Adriatic. Lightnings plastered the Skoplje railway yards

in Jugoslavia. The first enemy attempt to attack a frustrated off the North African coast,

Don'tBeFooled By the Italians

NAPLES, Oct. 22—We are fooling our-selves if we think all Italians are our friends and want to help us defeat their former Allies, the Germans.

This little incident happened during an

air raid last night:

At the time of the raid British soldiers guarding an important military post noticed a torch flashing from a roof-top of a villa within 200 yards of their post. With fixed bayonets a party went to

They found a U.S. colonel living in a villa with four Italian servants doing the chores. The colonel was unaware that anything strange was going on, and helped the British patrol to search the house.

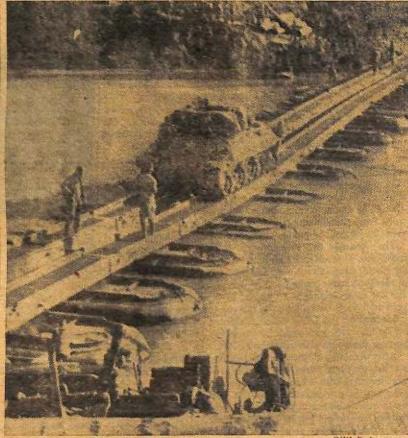
Footsteps were discovered going up to the roof-top and the same footsteps going down (very muddy weather now). The four Italian servants were murched off

an investigation.
They must take us for a bunch of suckers," an American member of AMGOT said, aptly describing the absurd attitude of wealthy Italian Fascists toward the Allies.

FDR Has Slight Cold

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 (AP)—President Roosevelt is suffering from a slight dent Rooseven is suntering from a single cold, and cancelled all appointments Friday on the advice of his physician, a statement from the White House said intended "that the privacy of the mail should be invaded" beyond "the absolute necessity for security."

Pay Your Toll to the Engineers



On the way to join the battle of Italy, an American tank crew crosses a pontoon bridge laid over the Volturno by combat engineers.

Captive Yanks Are Offered Guns to Beat Off Nazi Mob

GOTHENBURG, Sweden, Oct. 22 (UP)-German soldiers offered their guns to a group of American airmen threatened with lynching by angry German civilians following the day raid on Hamburg July 25.

The story was told by S/Sgt. Benny Springer, of Colorado, before he sailed from here on the repatriation ship Atlantis.

After dropping their bombs on Hamburg, American Flying Fortresses ran

Counter-Blows

Trapped Near Finschafen **Enemy Fails to Reach**

Coast for Supplies

ALLIED HQ., Southwest Pacific, Oct. 22—Japanese troops launched fierce

counter-attacks from the heights north

of Finschafen yesterday in an effort to

Late reports of the fighting said Austra-

lian troops were holding the Japs, but

there was an indication that the Japs

might reach the coast before sufficient Allied reinforcements could be brought

However, observers pointed out that even if the Japs did succeed in their push to the coast, there was little chance there

would be any supplies awaiting them as American sea and air power controlled the waters.

Meanwhile the advance to Madang,

now less than 40 miles away, is still going on, although its speed has been slowed down by the Finschafen fighting. Japanese patrols struck out at the advancing Australian troops in an effort

to cut supply lines and generally hamper their movement, but the Allied force moving along the Ramu valley has met

Comments Out.

Censors Told

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22—The War Department ruled yesterday that a mili-tary censor has no right to add comments

humorous or otherwise-to the mail he

The department asked anyone finding such comments in mail received from soldiers to report it to the Adjutant General, sending along letter and envelope

so that the censor may be identified for

only slight enemy resistance.

reach the New Guinea coast-their last

ance for supplies

into heavy opposition, and Springer's ship Allies Hold Jap was shot down. He and some of the

other crewmen parachited to safety.

"I landed about 20 miles from Hamburg and almost fell into the arms of three waiting German soldiers," Springer said. "I had been shot up by flak and needed medical attention. needed medical attention.

"The soldiers took me to where there were seven other Americans. We were then taken to Lueneberg, and were waiting there to catch another train when the fun began.

"A large and angry crowd had gathered at the station, calling us every kind of name—in pretty good English, too—and letting us know what they would do to us if they got hold of us." Springer continued:
"One fellow in front of a loud speaker got the crowd madder and madder. His layoute expression was 'American swine."

favorite expression was 'American swine.' Then the crowd started throwing stones

PX for London EMs To be Open Mornings

A change in the hours of the main Enlisted Men's PX in London will go into effect Monday, it was announced yesterday.

The PX will open weekdays at 9 o'clock in the morning and remain open until 7 PM. Heretofore the store opened at 12 noon. It will be closed

The extra three shopping hours have been added to ease congestion. PX headquarters asked soldiers to take advantage of the morning period.

Mediums Bomb Without Seeing annihilation. One Nazi Plane

RAF Over Germany

For the first time since USAAF bombers began battering Hitler's fortress more than a year ago, American Marauders swept into France yesterday without meeting a single enemy aircraft. Not one Nazi fighter came up to chal-

lenge the B26s and their Spitlire escort as the bombers dumped explosives on the German air base at Evreux-Fauville, 45 miles west of Paris-its third raid in a

The mediums' sally into the Paris area, following up a night foray by RAF Mosquitoes into western Germany, put the Allied air offensive once again on a round-

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German propaganda raids on England
kept up for the seventh successive night
with an alert in London shortly after
blackout last night, marked by gunfire in the capital. The sixth raid in a
row occurred early yesterday, when a
small number of raiders flew in over the
Kent and Sussex coasts, penetrated to the
capital and dropped bombs at a few
points.

The complete lack of Nazi, fighter opposition suggested that the Marauders' stab at the Paris area, the first blow aimed at the French capital in some days, had caught the Luftwaffe off guard with the planes concentrated alambters.

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All the Marauders and their RAF, Dominion and Allied escorts returned safely, as did the Mosquitoes that preceded them. The Marauder-Spitfire combination has lost only 13 planes in 77 missions over a three-month period.

While the B26s were pounding Evreux-Fauville, other Spitfire squadrons carried out supporting sweeps and destroyed

out supporting sweeps and destroyed eight enemy aircraft. One Spitfire was

Fort's 12 Nazi Kills Confirmed for Record

AN EIGHTH BOMBER STATION, Oct. 22—Several weeks ago two B17s put in record claims for enemy aircraft destroyed on one raid. The Fort Murder at us and poured hot coffee on us. Our German guards got scared and told us we had better run for the police station.

"A couple of the guards told us that if the crowd started firing at us they would give us their revolvers and we could have been started firing at us they would give us their revolvers and we could have been started form.

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Hurl Nazis Back Again In Ukraine

Ring Tightened at Kiev, Melitopol; Enemy's Losses Are Huge

Despite the most desperate German attacks of the war, driving Red Armies last night had cut the Nazi escape gap in the Dnieper Bend to 60 miles, through which the Wehrmacht must pour to avoid encirclement and

While these Russian forces struck southwestward from Kremenchug toward Nikopol, at the southern end Air Base Near Paris Hit
Third Time in Month;

of the great bend, other Soviet masses hourly increased the threat to two of the Germans' last remaining strongholds on their tottering Russian front—Kiev and Melitard Melitopol.

Mentopol.

Moscow reported last night that the enemy had been cleared from the center of Melitopol and crowded into the northern end of the city, while at Kiev new advances were made by Soviet forces crushing the capital of the Ukraine in a relentless pincers movement from north and south.

Crimean Landing Reported

Coincidental with the Russian threat to the Crimea encompassed in the Melitopol fighting, Berlin radio reported an attempted Soviet landing on the east Crimean coast. The report said the landing was repelled and the Russian force wired out.

wiped out.
Stand-or-die resistance by huge forces of Germans in the Dnieper Bend failed to stem Russian columns surging down across the east-west railways of the Ukraine toward Nikonol.

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These already had passed Amovka, 22 miles north of Krivol Rog on the line to the great metallurigcal center there. One column split off from the main body and branched out due westward, moving past Petrovo, 50 miles from the Dnieper. Few German prisoners were being taken in the desperate battle. The enemy was fighting it out to a finish, according to Moscow reports, fully aware that the most disastrous retreat of the entire Russian campaign stared him in the face. With the Dnieper line blasted away, there is little German anticipation, said Moscow, that any lesser line would hold back the Red Army juggernaut.

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Key Heights Captured

On the Melitopol front, heavy fighting was going on in the steppes immediately north of the city, gateway to the Crimea. With the entire central area of the city cleared of Germans, the Red Army threat of encirclement grew with new Russian gains north and southwest of the town, where important heights were captured.

Cognizant that capture of Melitopol would mean a Russian dash directly across to Kherson, severing the only remaining escape, railway from the Crimea, the Germans were using every trick in their bag to hang on to the city.

Streets were criss-crossed with trenches, while houses bordering them were turned into long lines of pill boxes. The bigger houses were turned into Nazi fortresses. Thousands of slain Nazis lay in the streets, mute evidence of the ferocity with which the Russians were turning back enemy counter-attacks. At one place 30 of these were made within 24 hours.

Battling almost yard by yard the Russians, after having moved up big tank and cavalry forces, were advancing north of Kiev.

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HullIsExpected To Meet Stalin

A meeting sometime Saturday between Cordell Hull and Josef Stalin was predicted in Moscow yesterday as the news of Anthony Eden's conference with the Russian leader was revealed.

The secrecy surrounding the tri-power conference deepened as correspondents were warned to curb their speculations on the subjects under discussion, and officials announced that the names of persons other than the principals attending the sessions would no longer be revealed.

While Hull, Eden and Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov conferred yesterday for the fourth time, the impression grew in Moscow that issues were being decided which might go down in history when the

which might go down in history when the full spotlight of publicity was thrown on the proceedings.

Navigator Flies Bomber Home With Pilot Dead, Co-Pilot Hurt

States.

On the Schweinfurt raid his pilot was shot dead by a 20mm shell. His co-pilot was hurt and bleeding and the Fortress had 132 holes in it. So Miles McFann, with the help of the wounded co-pilot, flew the ship home and landed it.

The next day Winston Churchill and It. Gen. Ira C. Eaker came out to the station and congratulated the men in that Fort. "A good show, boys," the Prime Minister said, "and God Bless you."

The day of the Schweinfurt raid they were flying in the last plane of the leading element. They battled fighters and dodged flak all the way into the target and were only seven minutes from the French coast on the way out when they

French coast on the way out when they

"Everybody was happy," McFann said.
"We'd been through a tough time in the target area, but things were going nice

Miles McFann never flew much but a and we hadn't been hit. Then flak Piper Cub, and that was back in the started popping up and our right wing was hit."

was hit."

A rocket shell from a German plane hit the right side of the cockpit and a 20mm, slashed between the co-pilot and the back of his seat. This was the shell which killed the pilot.

The plane was hit again and again and as it began to list to the port side McFann went to the cockpit from his navigator's post to see what had happened.

post to see what had happened, "The pilot, 1/Lt, Robert H. Bolick, of

Washington, was slumped over," McFann related, "but he straightened up long enough to right the ship and motion to the co-pilot to take over. Then he slumped again."

Bolick had been hit in the face, neck and left leg and McFann tried to stop the flow of blood. "He was still game," the navigator said. "He raised his hand in an effort to take the controls again

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Five Bright Spots

The war situation looks its brightest today in five fields of Allied operation, and E. C. Daniels, of the Associated Press, has compiled the following list:

First-For the first time since the com-mencement of the Russian offensive there appears the definite possibility that large numbers of German divisions will be encircled in the Dnieper Bend in a frightful disaster to the German Army.

Second—At last British authorities are willing to say without qualification that Anglo-American forces have captured per manent air superiority from the Luftwaffe

Third-Really immense damage has been done to German industry and morale by Allied day and night bombing. Ger-mans in bombed areas are positively showing signs of flagging.

Fourth—Re-equipped U-boats and re-trained crews which have returned to the Allied shipping lanes have not proved any more effective than those em-ployed before. The U-boat is licked.

Fifth-Balkan states protecting Hitler's southeastern flank are in a highly explo-sive state and may blow up at any

All of these factors, claims the Asso-ciated Press official, have led to authoritative British opinion discussing for the first time the possibility of an early conclu-sion of Germany's resistance.

While the Daniels outlook may be a bit too optimistic for some, the fact remains that Germany's search for new secret weapons to take the curse off Allied offensive power has failed, and while quick surrender by Germany is not being counted on, room for confidence and opti-mism exists in great plenty.

Wooden Shoes

All of us have been intrigued since childhood with stories and by pictures of the Dutch and their wooden shoes.

Now a New York shoe manufacture who, about a year ago, designed a flexible wooden sole which he thought had pos-sibilities as a novelty finds he is receiving orders far faster than he can fill them.

The reason—wooden soled shoes can be purchased without ration coupons, and the idea of wooden shoes still fascinates the American public.

Wooden soles have been worn in Europe for centuries, as sabots and clogs; but it remained for an American manufacturer to devise a method that would permit such a sole to be worn with compermit such a sole to be worn with com-fortable flexibility. His wooden soles, made from a single block of wood, are cut in one operation from heel to toe into a series of half round strips. The strips mounted on a piece of heavy can-vas with rounded sides as the walking surface are then patterned to shoe size, beveled and polished, and are then ready to be attached to the uppers.

The new wooden sole was developed in a search for a shoe that would catch the eye of "style conscious" American women; but retail shoe stores are now bidding for the product to be sold as a

Necessity they say is the mother of invention. This time it seems Style was the mother and Necessity the nurse. Anyway the child is healthy, and we may yet see the day when Americans are wearing more wooden shoes than the Dutch.

Three for the Team

It's football weather at home and despite limitations caused by war the game is played each Saturday afternoon to the cheers of enthusiastic thousands and we're glad.

In Italy our boys are also on the field in a desperate game against a strong opponent. Wide end runs and trick plays are out for the moment and it's buck that line and buck it again, with the going getting harder as the boys move up the

Over here, we've taken to the air with our second team and the passing has been brilliant. Once we get the opposition dizzy we'll try for a touch down through

The other team is strong but we're better. Right now he's beginning to slip and tire, and though we're a bit groggy ourselves, we've got our second wind and seem to be gaining strength despite the graphling more gruelling pace.

The opposition has played a dirty game so far; but we know a few of those tricks and have uncorked surprises that have hit him where it hurts. We've still a few more up the sleeve.

As the game stands now we've got a better than even chance to win; so let's give the boys out on the field a cheer. How about three big ones for the team, and another for our coach. They've earned it; so make 'em big.

Comments Columnist Olin Miller in the Atlanta Journal, "The Germans may cross the English Channel yet—in head-long retreat from the Russians."

Maybe gas rationing is tough back home. Mickey Rooney's sporty car bears this inscription on the side, "For Me And My Gallon."

The time is 1950 something. The scene: An American Legion convention, a big gathering of all the guys who fought this



A bearded stranger steps up to one ex-GI and asks, "What did you do in the great War?" "I was a private," answers the ex-GI calmly and frankly. And Diogenes blew out his lamp and went

Just leave it to the women-they'll influence most any situation for the better. City Health Officer George Uhl, of Los Angeles, has just issued this remarkable statement, "We're glad women leave lip-stick on the rim of their glasses in bars— it forces the bartender. glasses are properly cleaned," Whoda thought it?

Smart guys, these Redskins! An Indian reported in for classification and every time the Army asked him a question he replied, "Ugh!" "What's the idea of sending us an ugh mug?" the Army demanded of the Indian's draft board. Informed that the Indian was educated well. formed that the Indian was educated well enough not to be ughing all the time, the Army went back to its questioning. The Indian sighed. "Well," he said, "it was a good gag and I almost got away with

Here's a tip for GI Joe. If you have a WAC gal friend down in N. Africa send her vitamin pills and calcium tablets for Christmas. (We don't know where the hell you can get 'em, but that's what the gals down there say they want more than anything else.)

Here's a little story entitled The Mean-est Man in Town, or How to Beat the Meat Rationing. Mrs. Nellie Villeta, of



Chicago, told the judge in a divorce court that her husband stole her false teeth so she couldn't eat meat—then he used all the meat coupons for himself.

Daffynition. Sad Sack: A guy who would like to drown his troubles but he can't get the first sergeant to go in swimming with him.

Pacific to ETO Via the Typewriter

STRIPE PY

New Marine PRO Saw Battle Of Guadalcanal Unfold In Word and Bullet

By Andrew A. Rooney Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Marine 1/Lt. Herbert L. Merillat, of Monmouth, Ill., has reached London from Guadaleanal, after stopping off in the States long enough to make 70 speeches and do some hectic writing on the history of the First Marine Division (reinforced). He will replace 1/Lt. Weldon James as Marine Public Relations

Hundreds of thousands of words funneled through Merillat's hands on the adventures and progress of the Marines on Guadalcanal. He himself wrote many top-notch stories about action on the embattled Pacific island.

Merillat was the first Marine correspondent to get into action. Along with Dick Tregaskis, International News Service writer, and Bob Miller, of the United Press, Merillat went ashore with the first Guadalcanal invasion force, August 7, 1942.

It wasn't until Aug. 15 that Merillat felt things were secure enough so that he could write the story of the landing. On Aug. 30, the story was released, and America finally learned of the first large-scale Marine operation of the war.

Landings Simultaneous on Two Islands

Merillat, whose name pops up frequently in Tregaskis's book Guadalcanal Diary," recalls that landings were made simultaneously on Guadalcanal and a smaller island 20 miles west-Tulagi. Several days after the landings there still had been little word from there, and Merillat, along with the two newspapermen, felt obliged to see for themselves what was happening.

They boarded two invasion-type barges and headed at top speed-six or seven miles an hour-for Tulagi. Four miles off the island, a Jap sub surfaced and opened fire. When the engine in Merillat's barge conked out, he was sure it was all over, but he and the others managed a transfer to the other boat, and they kept on toward Tulagi with the Jap sub throwing shells at them.

Meanwhile, the Tulagi defenses opened up on the sub, and amid this two-way barrage the barge skittered into safety.

After obtaining all the information they wanted, the party started back in the dark next morning with a boatload of ten Jap prisoners as passengers. They ran into more trouble on the way back when they found Guadalcanal getting a pasting from Jap warships as they came in to land.

Merillat tells an amusing sequel to the escapade. A few days later, Jap planes dropped leaflets intended for their own men. The leaflets included a Japanese pep talk and maps, one of which contained sketches of three boats drawn in between Guadalcanal and Tulagi,

Japs' Idea of Speedboats

"Recently three high-powered speedboats flying the British flag crossed here carrying provisions," the Jap comment

Merillat and his party in the two clumsy, doddering barges were the "three high-powered speedboats," the "British Flag" a signal pennant.

Guadalcanal was under an almost constant barrage from either Jap naval guns or Jap bombers.

"We used to have 'shoes on nights' and shoes off nights," Merillat explains. When scouts saw Jap ships retiring in the afternoon it was a 'shoes off night'; when they were seen moving in it was a shoes on night.'

The men on Guadalcanal had a language of their own, every enemy weapon had a name. Example:

The Guadalcanal Express-the Navy shuttle service which brought fresh

PRIVATE BREGER



"Haven't I told ya to stop readin' those gangster stories?"

Stars and Stripes Photo

Lt. Herbert L. Merillat He told It of the Marines

enemy troops to the island and shelled U.S. positions almost nightly.

Pistol Pete-long-range Jap naval guns centered about ten miles west of Hender-

Louie the Louse-Jap nuisance night raiders which came over in relays all night every night, mostly to keep the Marines awake.

Sawt Louie - Marine retaliation bombers that went out to keep Japs

Searchlight Joe-a powerful light used by one of the Jap ships offshore.

"It is surprising how readily men adapt themselves to the conditions under which they have to live," Merillat says. "Their only recreation was a cigarette and a swim in the ocean. They played cards-someone had enough foresight to bring cards along. We didn't see a woman-black, yellow or white-all the time we were

No Furlough Out There

"It's a lonely sort of life out there, where there's no liberty, no rest, no furlough, and where tropical diseases can e a worse enemy than the Japanese."

Men in the Pacific are vitally interested in the war over here, according to Merillat. When informed of the American landings in North Africa, they were happy about it, although some feared it meant all equipment and supplies would be shunted to that front and that they would be left halfway around the world without

what it takes to carry on their war. Marines on Guadalcanal weren't left to fight it out alone, however. Army reinsoldier regiment moved in on Oct. 13.

That first Army outfit was greeted tary Henry Morgenthau Jr.

warmly both by Marines and Japs," Merillat says. "We had our heaviest shelling that day. The Jap ships lying offshore poured shells into the 14-mile square of land we occupied."

Army units worked under a Marine commander until the Army officially took over on Dec. 9, 1942. After that, remaining Marine units on Guadalcanal took their orders from an Army commander.

The Four Services Praised

"Army, Navy, Marines, Coast Guardall worked as one service," Merillat says. When Adm. Halsey visited Guadalcanal he remarked that the Army, Navy and Marine men couldn't be distinguished."

It took Merillat's stories about a month to reach Washington, but civilian correspondents' yarns went direct to Pearl Harbor by plane, to be cabled from there. It was some time before Tregaskis and Miller, the two correspondents who went ashore with the first party, were joined by other news writers. In the three months that Merillat was doing the public relations work on the island, about 30 correspondents arrived, although there were never more than ten on hand at the same

England isn't new to the Marine PRO. After being graduated from Arizona University, Merillat came to Oxford as Rhodes scholar. He has three degrees from Oxford, a BA in Jurisprudence, Bachelor of Civil Law and a Master of Arts. The MA came to him while he was stationed on Guadalcanal.

Merillat went back to study law at Yale in 1939, later joining the Treasury Department in Washington. When he forcements arrived steadily after the first resigned to join the Marines he was news analyst on tax matters for Treasury Secre

Washington Observer Betting Hitler's All Done by February

"Hitler won't last long enough to celebrate his eleventh year as Fuhrer on January 30, 1944," in the opinion of a very well-informed man in Washington, and what is more he is prepared to

"The Anglo-American time-table," he told a United Press correspondent, "which was drawn up in Washington last May and confirmed in Quebec in August, is being revised in London and Washington in October. That is how quick the war is moving.'

This is a view shared by many people who may be presumed to be"in the know" in Washington.

One high American military chief summed it up like this: "The Russians are at least three months ahead of our military expectations. Southern Russia is wide open to the Red Army, even before the winter starts. We are approaching a climactic phase of the war much faster than could have been anticipated last May,

"The great question then was would the Russians hold out against the third German summer offensive.

"Now many of us expect the Germans to be back on the Polish frontier before chalked up his score then.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 (UP)- Christmas, and to be terribly mauled in the process of getting there.

"All that changes the military and political picture without affecting the basic air strategy of destroying Germany's

main industrial cities as soon as possible." The air offensive which will make this winter the most memorable in German history is expected in Washington to become a three-way traffic in extermination possibly even before Christmas. By that time, in the opinion of some experts, Russian bombers will be operating from the Baltic states to supplement the British and American "saturation" raids from the west and the south,

Notes from the

Air Force

THE only bomber pilot officially credited with knocking down a FW190 is believed to be Capt. Roger A. Stevenson, of Lebanon, Ill., squadron operations officer at an Eighth Air Force field in the ETO. In the last raid to La Pallice, Stevenson flew as a gunner in the Fort Thundermug, piloted by Capt. Elmer Richardson, of Philadelphia, and

Track Trophies Recall Defeats Suffered by Axis

Triumph in '38 Result of Plan by Nazis to Avenge Olympic Loss

By Stanley Frank

New York Post Sports Writer NEW YORK, Oct. 22—There are three NEW YORK, Oct. 22—There are three trophies in Dan Ferris' AAU offices in the Woolworth Building here which soon will be museum pieces of a period when Fascism was an ugly scar on the face of the earth. The trophies were won by touring American track and field teams in Germany, Italy and Japan. Our guys murdered the bums.

The Italian trinket, a shallow vessel supported by four ungraceful columns, is significantly tarnished so badly that you can hardly read the inscription: "Federazione Dei Fasci Di Combattimento Milano Aug. 25, 1935—XIII Fascimo." It's not worth the trouble.

The Japanese thing, won at Tokyo in 1934, is a teakwood box bound in silver. Like the country, the box is of tricky but substantial construction.

Didn't Get Up Early Enough

The prize exhibit is the German trophy, and behind it lies a story of high intrigue and great frustration for the Nazi nincompoops who didn't get up early enough in the morning, despite the difference in time, to fool our guys. The trophy, a bronze figure of a nude woman, was donated by Goebbels for a track meet in Berlin in 1938.

The Nazis brooded for two years over the indignities inflicted by Jesse Owens and his Negro auxiliaries who actually ran Hitler out of the Olympic stadium in

In 1938 they conceived the cunning scheme of slipping us a mickey. They invited an American team to Berlin for a dual meet, including all events except the marathon 50,000-meter walk and the decathlon.

"We knew they were itching to get even with us." Ferris said, "so we made sure the best team possible was assembled. The national outdoor champion and runner-up for each event were selected to make the trip. In all, we had a squad of 40 men, the largest group ever to leave the country except for the Olympic games."

Beat the Best

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Despite the attitude of the arrogant, saber rattling Nazis, who then were preparing to march into the Sudetenland, and the fact that our kids performed in a hostile land after a long sea voyage, the Americans licked the best the Nazis could offer, 122—92. Counting first places only, in the European custom, our boys did even better, winning 14 out of 22 events—and our national champions were missing from three events won by the Germans.

Germans.

Ben Johnson and Mozel Ellerbe ran one-two in the 100. Mel Walker won the high jump. The late John Borican was second in the 400-meter hurdles and Jimmy Herbert was third in the 400. All Negroes. Phil Levy, a Jewish boy, was second in the discus.

Germany's pride was Hans Woellke, Olympic shot put champion. Columbia's Frank Ryan beat him. Greg Rice stunned the Nazis by beating Max Syring and Otto Eitel in the 5,000. Eino Pennti and Errol Vaughan forced the Germans to quit in the 10,000 and finished one-two.

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QMs Who'll Tackle Engineer Bulldozers Tomorrow



The — QM-Depot footballers take on the — Engineer Bulldozers tomorrow afternoon at Wellingborough in an ETO grid feature. The QM linesmen (left to right) are: T/5 Robert Blakeman, Syracuse, N.Y.; Pvt. Arthur Carpenter, Bemus Point, N.Y.; Cpl. Lloyd Moran, Jackson, Miss.; Cpl. Warren Woodard, Chattanooga, Tenn.; Pfc Grady Bullock, Atlanta, Ga.; Pvt. Thomas Sykas, Montpelier, N.Y., and Pvt. Ray Wagner, Buffalo, N.Y. Backs are Pfc Nathaniel Townsend, Palmetto, Fla.; Pfc Pat Palmiere, Syracuse, N.Y.; S/Sgt. Urah Reed, Seaside, Orc.; Pvt. James Buell, Oneida, N.Y. In rear are 2/Lt. Harley Razansky, Milwaukee, Wis., Special Service officer, and S/Sgt. Norman McCutcheon, East Aurora, N.Y., coach.

GamecocksJolt Clemson, 33-6

Early 6-0 Lead Overcome As S. Carolina Wins State Crown

COLUMBIA, S.C., Oct. 22—South Carolina University ran wild in the second half, scoring five touchdowns and three extra points to smash Clemson's Tigers, 33—6, before 18,000 fans here yesterday. Clemson took the lead in the second period as Tackle Art Wendell recovered a South Carolina fumble on the Gamecock nine-yard stripe and Jim Taylor, Clemson end, went over for the score. Carolina came back in the second half.

Clemson end, went over for the score.

Carolina came back in the second half,
Halfback Phil Cantove scooping up a
Clemson fumble and scampering 75 yards
for the Carolinians' first score. Fullback
Gene Wagnon plunged for two more
before the third quarter ended and, in the
fourth, Buck Williams and Bill McMillan
finished the Gamecock scoring with one

tally.

The triumph gave the Gamecocks the South Carolina state championship.



Stanley Woodward of the New York Herald Tribune is picking Penn over Columbia, Cornell to beat Golgate, Navy to sink Georgia Tech, Army to swamp Yale and Penn State to top Maryland.

Midwest

Arch Ward of the Chicago Tribune favors Notre Dame over Illinois, Michigan to topple Minnesota, Northwestern to beat Ohio State, Purdue to take Iowa and Indiana to down Wisconsin.

South

Caswell Adams of the International News Service is betting on Memphis Naval to defeat Arkansas, Georgia Pre-Flight to clip North Carolina Pre-Flight, Southern Methodist to outplay Tulane, Wake Forest to take VMI and Camp LeJeune to down Jacksonville Naval.

Southwest

Oscar Fraley of the United Press takes Southwestern of Texas over Southwestern of Louisiana, Texas A and M to subdue North Texas Aggies, Texas to beat Rice, TCU to pull down Oklahoma and Texas Tech to smash New Mexico.

Far West

Bill Leiser of the San Francisco Chronicle is banking on Southern Cal to defeat College of the Pacific, March Field to outfly Washington, Del Monte Pre-Flight to smack San Francisco and Ala-meda Coast Guard to beat Pleasanton

Rutgers' Fullback Fired Twice Within Two Weeks

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J., Oct. 22— Bela Rieger, one of the two holdovers from last year, has been fired from the Rutgers football team for the second time within two weeks by Coach Harry Rocka-

The fullback, who was expected to bear the brunt of Rutgers' aerial and ground offensive, was charged with insubordination, the same charge which caused his dismissal two weeks ago.

Golfer Joe Kirkwood Refused Gas Ration

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22—Joe Kirkwood, Huntingdon Valley golf professional, allegedly used seven times the amount of gas allotted during six months of this year, according to the Abington, Pa., ration board which has revoked Kirkwood's permit.

The board acted after the OPA said Kirkwood drove over 16,000 miles on golf tours between Jan. 28 and July 13. The board revealed that Kirkwood applied for 100 gallons a week to tour Army camps giving golf exhibitions. The board refused, charging that Kirkwood used the entire previous ration to drive to Fort Bragg. Since then, it is alleged, he used Army gasoline to visit 100 camps.

Charge Against **Quakers** Denied

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22—Criticism harging Pennsylvania's football team with "putting on steam against weak teams" drew a vigorous denial from Quaker Coach George Munger.

"We aren't trying to run up scores on anybody. On the other hand, it's not good football to kick on the first down or try for a field goal when a touchdown is

or try for a field goal when a touchdown is possible."

Discussing Penn's 47—9 victory over Princeton and 41—7 victory over Yale, Munger said, "We cleared the bench in both games, and any time you send in substitutes they do the best they can."

Penn used 11 ends, six tackles, nine guards, three centers and 11 backs against Yale.

Yale.

"Yale and Princeton both have scored as high as 80 points against us in the past, and we probably could have done the same against them if we had been trying to lay

Two More Games for Bertelli

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Oct. 22—Capt. H. P. Burnett, commanding Notre Dame's V-12 unit, said Angelo Bertelli, Irish passer, will play his last game against Navy at Cleveland on Oct. 30. He won't play against Army at New York later. Bertelli leaves for Parris Island, S.C., Marine training base, on Nov. 1.

Buell Will Lead

Sunday in their first game of the current ETO grid season. The kickoff is at 2 PM.

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The QM boys managed to get a practice tussle two weeks ago, winning, 13—0. A 158-pound quarterback, Pvt. Jim Buell, of Oneida, N.Y., came upon the scene in the third period and heaved passes which led to both touchdowns.

Buell will be in the starting backfield against the Bulldozers, together with Pvt. Norman Townsend, of Palmetto, Fla., S/Sgt. Urah Reed, of Seaside, Ore., whoplayed varsity ball for the University of Missouri, and Pfc Pat Palmiere, former semi-pro gridder from Syracuse, N.Y.

The 192-pound line has Pfc Grady Bullock, of Atlanta, Ga., a Clark College guard for three years; Cpl. Warren Woodard, Chattanoga, Tenn., who played center for Tuskeegee Institute, Ala.; Pfc Benadrid Gadling, Gatting, Fla.; Cpl. Lloyd Moran, Jackson, Miss.; Pvt. Raymond Wagner, Buffalo, N.Y.; Pvt. Arthur Carpenter, Bemus Point, N.Y., semi-pro, and T/5 Bob Blakeman, also of Syracuse.

In the Engineer backfield will be 1/Sgt.

pro.
Topping the linemen is Sgt. Johnnie Hill, of Sumpter, S.C., former South Carolina State College tackle. The others are Pvt. Charles Peoples, Monmouth, Ill.; Pvt. John Jackson, New York; Pvt. Bill Smith, Philadelphia; Pvt. Charlie Williams, Detroit; Pvt. Bishop Warren, Clearwater, Fla., and Pvt. Jim Tuggle, Los Angeles.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22 — The Phillies have signed Al Verdel, 22-year-old right-hander from Trenton, N.J., who won 36 and lost six for Fort Dix before being discharged from the Army.

QM Ball Toters

158-Pound Quarterback Plays Behind Heavy Forward Wall

By Sid Schapiro

Stars and Stripes Unit Correspondent
WELLINGBOROUGH, Oct. 22—A
snappy QM eleven, including five Negroes,
will take the field against the — Engineer
Bulldozers at the Dog and Duck field here
Sunday in their first again of the current

N.Y., semi-pro, and T/5 Bob Blakeman, also of Syracuse.

In the Engineer backfield will be 1/Sgt. Earl Smith, of Washington, D.C., who made all-high for three years in the South Atlantic Conference and played two years semi-pro ball: Pvt. Harold Nelson, Boston, who got in a year at Hebron Academy; Pvt. Jesse Rose, Chicago, and Pvt. Andrew Johnson, Los Angeles semi-pro.

Phillies Sign Verdel

The Bums-Gridiron Version-Have Gained Minus 11 Yards Louis-Conn Tilt

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 (UP)-It could The Green Bay Packers have been the

enemy lines the Dodgers have ended with a net loss of 11 yards. It is one of the few times in National Professional Foot-ball League history that a team has had a negative total at this stage of the cam-

While the Dodgers have been back-While the Dodgers have been back-pedalling, the other teams in the circuit have found the right football direction.

The Bears also lead in scoring with 116 points, followed by Detroit with 104 and Green Bay with 91.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22 (UP)—It could only happen in Brooklyn.

The latest statistics show the Brooklyn Dodgers emulating Wrong-Way Corrigan, the Irishman with the pixilated compass, when it comes to gaining ground.

In four games the Dodgers have run with the ball 109 times. Where have they run? In reverse only. For all their trouble in trying to move the ball through enemy lines the Dodgers have ended with senemy lines the Dodgers have the proposition with a total of 708 yards gained by rushing in four games. The Chicago Bears are next with 571 yards, and the Philadelphia-Pittsburgh Steagles are third with 510.

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The top passing team is the Chicago Bears with 766 yards in four games. The Detroit Lions are next with 655 yards and the Cardinals are third with

NBA Releases Ratings; British **Boxers Named**

Patterson Rated Flyweight Champ, Mills Light Heavy Contender

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 — Two English fighters—Jackie Patterson and Freddie Mills—have been moved up to the championship level in the latest quarterly ratings issued by the National Boxing Association.

Boxing Association.

Patterson has been named flyweight champion of the world, succeeding Little Dado of the Philippines, who has become a featherweight. Mills, England's best known boxer here, is picked as the leading contender for the light heavyweight crown now held by Gus Lesnevitch, who is in the U.S. Coast Guard.

In announcing the ratings, Abe Greene, president of the NBA, again pointed out that next Wednesday's fight between Sammy Angott and Luther "Slugger" White will be recognized by the association as a lightweight championship contest with the winner defending his title "within a reasonable period."

Prevent Freezing of Titles

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Greene's announcement emphasized that efforts are underway to stimulate action in all classes to prevent the freezing of titles by civilian boxers while some other titles are held in escrow for cham-

other titles are held in escrow for cham-pions now in service.

Along with the naming of Patterson as a titlist, the other most important high-light is the fact that Bobby Ruffin has been moved up as a lightweight con-tender because of his recent upset victory over Beau Jack.

Here are the ratings:
Heavyweight — Joe Louis (Army),
champion; Bill Conn (Army) and Jimmy
Bivins, contenders,
Light heavyweight—Gus Lesnevitch
(Coast Guard), champion; Freddie Mills,

England, contender.

Middleweight — Tony Zale (Navy), champion; Georgie Abrams (Navy) and Steve Beloise (Navy), contenders.

Welterweight — Freddie Cochrane (Navy), champion; Ray Robinson (Army), contender.

Lightweight—Title vacant; Sammy Angott, Luther White, Bob Montgomery and Bobby Ruffin, contenders.

Featherweight—Phil Terranova, champion; Willie Pep (Army), Chalky Wright and Sal Bartola, contenders.

Bantamweight—Manuel Ortiz, champion; Willie Manuel Ortiz, champion; William Manuel Ortiz, champion; pion; Kui Kong Young, Honolulu, contender.

Flyweight—Jackie Patterson, England, champion; no contenders.

Attendance Off At Ball Parks

NEW YORK, Oct. 22—The major league baseball attendance figures for 1943 released today by the Associated Press reveal an overall decrease of 13 per cent from the 1942 totals. The Brooklyn Dodgers showed the biggest drop in both leagues with about 400,000 fewer spectators this year than last. However, the Bums still top the majors with 688,633 paid admissions.

paid admissions.

The last-place New York Giants dropped 360,000 and the Yankees 303,000, making a total for New York of 1,063,000 fewer than last year.

Biggest gain in both loops was chalked up by the Phillies, who doubled last year's attendance. Altogether, 7,714,636 fans bought tickets for the major league games all season.

Dempsey Urges

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22-Lt. Cmdr. Jack Dempsey, ex-heavyweight champion of the world, now in the Coast Guard, is planning to confer here with Army officials regarding a heavyweight champion-ship bout between Joe Louis and Billy

Conn to promote the sale of war bonds.

Dempsey proposes admission by bond only, a \$50 bond buying a bleacher seat and \$50,000 in bonds bringing a ring-side view.

Dempsey said, "It would be the first \$1,000,000,000 sports promotion in his-

4 Major League Teams Choose Spring Camps

CHICAGO, Oct. 22—Following Judge Landis' edict that the major league baseball teams will do their spring training in the north again in 1944, the Chicago Cubs and White Sox have announced that they are returning to French Lick, Ind., where last year they contended with rain, snow, cold and flood tides.

The Browns and Cardinals announced in St. Louis that they will return to last year's training camps, the Redbirds to Cairo, Ill., and the Brownies to Cape Girardeau, Mo.

Pitt-Nebraska Game Cancelled

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 22—The Pirts-burgh-Nebraska football game, one of football's traditional rivalries scheduled for Lincoln, Neb., on Nov. 13, has been cancelled because of transportation diffi-







U.S. Fliers Join **Patriotsin Fight** For Jugoslavia

Nazis Rushing Reserves To Bolster Defenses On Adriatic Sea

American airmen who have fought the Luftwaffe from the deserts of Egypt to the mountains of Italy yesterday carried the air war into Jugoslavia for the second straight day in support of the patriots playing havoc with German forces.

Playing havoc with German forces.

For the first time in this war U.S. fighter-bombers attacked shipping between two German strongholds on the Dalmatian coast. Swooping down within masthead height, a veteran P40 outfit, commanded by Col. Arthur G. Salisbury, of Sedalia, Mo., wrecked one vessel and damaged five others during two strong offensive patrols. offensive patrols.

These P40 missions have been executed without need for extra fuel tanks, the Associated Press claimed.

This emphasizes the vulnerability of German positions on Jugoslav coast to attacks from even short-range fighters based on new Italian airfields.

After the signal from the U.S. Air After the signal from the U.S. Air Force to guerrilla army that the period of unchallenged German air supremacy in Jugoslavia is at an end, reports from Switzerland said trains were being rushed across northern Italy from France with reinforcements to bolster the German defenses on the Adriatic.

Another neutral report said the Germans were expecting an Allied attack on the west coast of Jugoslavia or through Albania, and were also preparing for a combined British-Soviet offensive through the Black Sea against Rumania and Bul-

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 (AP)— American pilots flew for many months against the Japanese from the deck of the British aircraft carrier Victorious, which has been on active service with a U.S. task force in the Pacific, the British Ad-

miralty Delegation revealed here today.

Turned over to the U.S. under reverse lend-lease, the 23,000-ton carrier took part in numerous offensive sweeps in the Coral Sea with a force under the com-mand of an American admiral. The British planes and pilots from the Vic-torious were transferred to a U.S. carrier in exchange for an American squadron of the U.S. naval air arm.

Invaluable tactical experience was gained in the course of the operations, which would be put to good effect as America mobilised her naval power alongside that of Britain, Australia and New Zealand for full-scale action against the Lorenze the delegation effects. the Japanese, the delegation stated

Michigan-Minnesota football game at Ann Arbor, Mich., will be broadcast over

the American Forces Network tonight at 7.45 o'clock. Bill Stern will be at the

If short wave reception is impossible, the regularly scheduled program will be

"Background to Battle," a story of the war in the Middle East, will be heard Sun-day at 1.30 PM.

towns in Minnesota will be heard on the "Your Town" program Sunday at 10.15

AM. The communities are Minneapolis, Rochester and Duluth. Pvt. Johnny Kerr will be the radio reporter, subbing for

the three newspaper men who wrote the

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Sunday, Oct. 24

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World News (BBC).

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Communiques from three cities

Weekend Radio Programs

Sues for Divorce

STEMPORTS:



Veronica Lake

Veronica Lake Charges Army Major Husband With Cruelty

HOLLYWOOD, Oct. 22 (UP)—Film star Veronica Lake has filed suit for divorce, charging her husband, Army Maj, John Detlie, of cruel and inhuman conduct which produced a condition det-rimental to her health and welfare.

A three-pound son was born prema-turely to the actress three months ago after she suffered a fall in a Hollywood studio. The baby lived about a week. The couple have a two-year-old daughter.

U.S. Fliers Used Allied Leaders British Carrier Confer in China

CHUNGKING, Oct. 22-A secret military conference between the United States, Britain and China terminated here

Wednesday, it was revealed yesterday. Present at the conference were: Lord Louis Mountbatten, Supreme Far East chief; Lt, Gen. Joseph Stilwell, com-mander of the China, Burma and India theater; Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell, Army theater; Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell, Army Service Forces commander; Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek and Maj. Gen. Gordon Grimsdale, head of the British military mission to Chungking.

Maj. Gen. George Stratemeyer, USAAF commander in the Far East and Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault, 14th Air Force commander, were called in for consultation.

Although the official announcement of the conference said merely that "satisfactory results were achieved on all questions."

tory results were achieved on all ques-tions that were discussed," it seemed likely that the talks would have an important bearing on the war against Japan

NEWS FROM HOME

Knox Rebukes U.S. Criticism Of Great Britain

Promoters of Bitterness Are Prolonging War, Navy Chief Says

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22—Rebuking critics of Great Britain, Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox said in a radio speech last night that the greatest single factor in defeating Germany and Japan lay in Anglo-American collaboration.

Those who are seeking to promote hard feelings between the two countries are aiding the enemy and prolonging the war," Knox said.

Warning that disunity could lose the war for the Allies, Knox stressed the need of continued cooperation. Such unity, he pointed out, "implies no subordination, no truckling one to another. We stand together as equals ready to fight side by side."

Army Insurance 3 Years Old

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22—The Army's National Service Life Insurance program is now three years old, and has grown to a \$65,000,000,000 enterprise. More than 95 per cent of all members of the Army are protected by the insurance, with the average policy approximating \$8,000. the average policy approximating \$9,000. With troops on duty overseas, the percentage of men who have bought National Service Insurance is even greater—98 per cent—and their policies average about \$9,500.

Habeas Corpus Ban Lifted

HONOLULU, Oct. 22 (AP)—The Hawaiian "habeas corpus" controversy appeared to have been settled yesterday by the announcement that two German-American internees held incommunicado by the army had been released, and that Lt. Gen. Robert Richardson's general order forbidding any habeas corpus action in the territory had been rescinded.

Casualties Flown Home PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 22 (AP)-A

hundred and twenty-five thousand men, wounded or ill, have been flown from American combat areas to hospital during the last 20 months. In September 1,015 men were flown all the way home to base hospitals in the United States, Lt. Col. Richard Merling, of the Air Surgeon's Denartment, revealed partment, revealed.

Little Steel' Wage Formula Hit

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22 (AP)—The leaders of organized labor yesterday attacked the "Little Steel" wage formula at a conference with President Roosevelt. The labor leaders secured a promise that a committee would be set up to determine whether the government's figures on fiving costs were adequate.

Girls Duel Over Man

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 22 (AP)—A hand-to-hand moonlight knife duel between two girls—both under 20—over the affections of a married man left both combatants injured. The duelists met at midnight in the presence of "seconds" following a formal challenge, a detective play-by-play description of the higan-Minnesota football game at Arbor, Mich., will be broadcast over American Forces Network tonight at o clock. Bill Stern will be at the ophone.

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American musical feature.

1030 Music While You Work.

1140 Weekly News Roundup—Presented by the Stars and Stripes.

1150 Music from America.

1150

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scribed by Moscow as impossible because

of strongly fortified heights held by the Germans east of the city on the west banks

American musical feature.

1430—John Charles Thomas—Metropolitan baritone sines popular favorites.

1500—Take Your Choice.

1500—New Who Fight.

1600—News Flashes.

1605—Radio Chapel.

1630—Sammy Kaye Program.

1700—Andre Kostelanetz and his Orchestra.

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1730—Central Base Section Presents—G1 talent from the CBS.

1800—World News (BBC).

1810—Perional Album—Ella Mac Morse.

1825—G1 Supper Club.

1900—Sporss—Presented by the Stars and Stripes.

1905—Football Parade from America.

1930—Front Line Theater—Blondie and Dagwood in "The Perionality Kid."

1945—Show Time with Dinah Shore.

2000—News from Home—Nightly roundup of news from the U.S.A. presented by the Stars and Stripes. zis, however, both north and south of Kiev was reported to be immense. Corpses flowed down the Dnieper continually, but the German High Command was throwing in every man available in a titanic effort to hold.

Reserves, auxiliary transport troops and every veteran was being used to stem the Russian advance.

Large-scale aerial battles continued over the entire southern front as well as to the north, where the Russians scored new gains in bitter fighting in the Gomel sector along the White Russian border.

A hint of another possible full-scale offensive by the Red Army was contained in a Berlin announcement that spoke of fresh and heavy Soviet attacks on the Smolensk front in central Russia.

Berlin radio said the attack was made west of Smolensk after heavy artillery

She Has 'Most Beautiful Eyes'



Out of 34 lovelies posing before 175 cameras, Virginia Cruzon was voted possessor of 'The Most Beautiful Eyes' in balloting conducted by U.S. photographers in the armed Services to provide 'pin-up' girls for the Forces.

B26 Group's Para-Pup Mascot Gets His Christmas Gifts, Too

A BOMBER BASE, Oct. 22-"Salvo," the para-pup mascot of this field's medium bomber group, has received his first Christmas package from

The tan and white terrier's gifts were sent by "Boots," a Belgian police dog owned by Cmdr. and Mrs. E. S. Fletcher, of Cleveland, O., parents of 2/Lt.

(Continued from page 1)

but he slumped once more and passed

The co-pilot, 2/Lt. Fred F. Downs, of Arlington, Va., had been hit in the right arm, the side and the legs and was bleeding around the head. Fann saw that Downs would need help bringing the ship home.

With the help of S/Sgt. John H. Rourke, of Cambridge, Mass., the engineer, and the bombardier, McFann moved

the pilot into the nose, where he died. McFann came back to the cockpit, and

brought the Fort down, dropped it heavily

on the runway and careened down the field to a safe stop.

"We could have bailed out, of course,

Hugh R. Fletcher, bombardier-navigator of the B26 Jezebel.

"Salvo" seemed pleased to receive dog candy, dog biscuits and an artificial bone, but looked askance at flea powder he found at the bottom of the box. His eyes conveyed the thought that he's never used the stuff and never will

used the stuff and never will. When he bit into a rubber doll which squeaks loudly when squeezed he dropped it like a hot potato and streaked out the door to find cover under Jezebel, where

he stayed five hours.
Other members of Jezebel's crew are other members of Jezeber's crew are 1/Lt. Joseph Wright, Spokane, Wash., pilot; 2/Lt. Ronald F. Kemmy, East Greenbush, N.Y., co-pilot; S/Sgt. Donald G. Maryott, Hooper, Neb., radio gunner; S/Sgt. Jack H. Shook, Shreveport, La., engineer and turret gunner, and Sgt. Charles A. O'Connell, Haverhill, Mass., tail gunner. with instructions from the weak co-pilot he dropped the ship below the overcast and brought the Fort to England. "Fred (the co-pilot) would be conscious

DSC Awarded Gunner Fatally Wounded in Fort

red (the co-pilot) would be conscious a while then he'd pass out again," McFann said. The radio operator sent out an SOS and shortly an escort of two Spitfires came up and guided the plane back to an RCAF field with runways long enough to handle a Fort.

McFann, with advice from the co-pilot, who was conscious when the plane landed who was conscious when the plane landed. Posthumous award of the Distinguished Service Cross, highest U.S. military award for valor, to T/Sgt. Jimmy E. McCurdy, of Borger, Tex., for "extraordinary hero-ism" while on a Fortress mission over Europe July 30 was announced yesterday by Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, ETO com-mander. who was conscious when the plane landed,

McCurdy was waist gunner in a Fortress knocked out of formation by enemy "We could have bailed out, of course, instead of risking a possible crash landing. I suppose a lot of fellows wouldn't want to take a chance on having a navigator act as pilot, but they weren't sticking because of their confidence in me," McFann said.

"They all knew that Bolick was dead inside that this and none of us was soing fighters and made the target of concen-trated attacks. Though mortally wounded by an exploding cannon shell in the battle that followed, McCurdy "stuck to his guns and fought the enemy until he collapsed, despite great pain and with complete disregard for his personal safety."

Molotov Sees Harriman

"They all knew that Bolick was dead inside that ship, and none of us was going to bail out and leave him in there. We just wouldnt' do jt, that's all.
"We got Fred to the hospital and he's going to be all right.
Other members of the crew were: S/Sgt. Vincent J. Caltagirone, Brooklyn, N.Y.; S/Sgt. Kenneth H. Stump, Jutztown, Pa.; S/Sgt. Teddy G. Bergstrom, Turtle Lake, Wis.; Sgt. Andrew R. Nezolosky, Rockaway Beach, N.Y.; and Sgt. Harold C. Domedium, Buffalo, N.Y. MOSCOW, Oct. 22 (AP)-M. Molotov, the Soviet foreign minister, yesterday re-ceived Averell Harriman, the new United States ambassador.

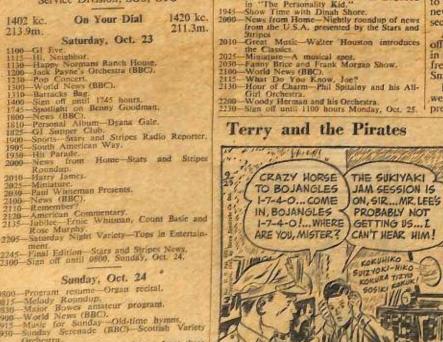
Rainbow Corner

Sunday—Dance, 7,30 PM,
Monday—Dance, 7,30 PM,
Tuesday—Open house, 3-6 PM; boxing, 7,30 PM.
Thursday—Open house, 3-6 PM.

By Milton Caniff

Terry and the Pirates

from the U.S.A. presented by the Stars and Stripes
2010 Great Music—Walter Houston introduces the Classics.
2025 Miniature—A musical spot.
2030—Fanny Brice and Frank Morgan Show.
2100—World News (BBC).
2115—Walt Do You Know, Joe?
2130—Hour of Chairm—Phil Spitaloy and his All-Girl Orchestra.
2230—Woody Herman and his Orchestra.
2230—Sign off until 1100 hours Monday, Oct. 25.









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