

THE STARS AND STRIPES

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With Naples

Road South to Reggio And Two Lines North Are Disrupted

The port of Naples, where the Italians expect the Allied invasion to begin, was cut off yesterday from all railroad connection with the rest of

A devastating night-and-day aerial attack on the important rail junction of Salerno, 30 miles south of Naples, cut the final link Sunday after American Marauders fought a 35-

American Marauders fought a 35-minute running battle with nearly 100 Luftwaffe fighters and shot down a record bag of 33.

Mustang Invaders, escorting the day-light raiders to their target, set up a long-distance record for their type of single-engine fighter-bomber, flying nearly 400 miles round trip from bases on Sicily, Only five Allied planes were lost in all the day's operations. the day's operations.

Three Rail Lines Smashed

The latest attacks cut the railroad leading south from Naples to Reggio after the two main lines running north and northeast of the big port had been wrecked in previous raids. The toll of

Huge Reinforcements Arrive for Next Jump

ALLIED HQ, Aug. 23 (UP)—Big are coming into the Mediterranean in large convoys ready for the next jump into Europe.

New weapons tested in the Sicilian campaign have turned out excellently, the Army High Command agrees. This applies to the new anti-tank guns, later than the famous six-pounders which helped the Eighth Army in the desert; the amphibian vehicles, both large and small, and to secret naval devices used in the landings.

The air forces also are receiving the latest fighters and fighter-bombers, including the Mustang Invader and some Spitfires scarce even in Britain.

losses in four days of heavy aerial fighting.
The attacks came a few hours after
RAF Liberators and Halifaxes from
Middle East bases bombed a freight yard
at Crotone in southern Italy Yester. at Crotone, in southern Italy. Yester-day's Cairo communique said poor visi-bility prevented accurate observation of the Crotone bombing, but explosions were caused and fires were started, some

near a chemical factory.

The new raids, bringing the war ever nearer to Italy's harassed civilian population, increased the troubles of Marshal Badoglio's government, according to Algiers radio. Swiss newspapers heard the Marshal was becoming increasingly unpopular. Separatist movements under which Venice and Piedmont would set themselves up as separate states, breaking up the union achieved in the last cen-

ing up the union achieved in the last cen-tury, were said to be gaining strength.

Frontier reports said a fear of Com-munist interference was rising, and travellers reaching the Swiss border re-ported that Turin police had arrested a large number of supposed Communists

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'Stop Nazis Entering Italy,' Appeal to Saboteurs Says

Algiers radio last night broadcast an important appeal to the Italians, telling them to do all in their power to stop more Germans pouring into Italy, particularly by sabotage in Bologna, through which a large proportion of the German troops and supplies are passing. They were given details of where to find their objec-

tives.
"You can force the Germans to evacuate Italy," the appeal concluded. "Time is running short."

Just Another Axis Feeler

ALLIED HQ, Aug. 23 (UP)—The report, broadcast yesterday by Axiscontrolled "Radio Liberation," that considerable Allied forces landed in Italy and Crete Saturday, was categorically denied at headquarters today. "Just another Axis feeler," was how the report was described was described.

BombsSever Nazis Using Rocket Gun Fighters SovietsRace

their ships head-on into the Forts except for evasive tactics by the American

story:
"Trouble started 30 miles out of Ant-

Ouebec Expects RAF Hammers Ruhr Again: Invasion of Italy Marauders Bomb 21st Airfield

six miles north of Cologne, in the Ruhr.

an invasion of the continent," Pravda asserted today.

"A crushing blow upon Germany is almost impossible to conceive without utilizing the enormous strategic advantage of the British Isles."

The article said 20 times fewer ships would be required to supply land force.

would be required to supply land forces in western Europe than in the Mediter-

Pravda declared "England was saved from invasion by the Soviet Union."

The Lights Begin to Go On

CAIRO, Aug. 23 (AP)—The blackout restrictions have been partially lifted in Cairo. Elegtric lights gleamed along the main roads for the first time in four years, emphasizing the fact of Allied air superiority, since Crete is still held by the enemy.

Reds Capture Kharkov, Vital Nazi Base

Rail Contact Shuttle Raid Crews Return from Africa Report Desperate Enemy Attacks With Bombs and New Type Guns

By Richard Wilbur

A USAAF BOMBER STATION, England, Aug. 23-The Germans are using a type of rocket gun, slung beneath two-engined fighters, against Flying Fortresses, American airmen returning to this base from the initial U.S. shuttle raid to Africa revealed today.

The airmen, who stormed across the heart of Germany to shatter the Messerschmitt plant at Regensburg and fly on across the Alps, came back to their base wearing red fezzes and lugging musette bags filled with tropical Fortress formation which pounded fruits. Fortress formation which pounded Regensburg last Tuesday.

All the crews told of bitter battles, some of them lasting for more than four hours, with relays of Nazi fighter planes; and of enemy pilots so determined—"they all acted as if they lived in Hamburg"—that several times they would have hurled their ships head-on into the Forts except

Their reports to intelligence officers told of unusually determined fighter attacks by planes firing a projectile about the size of an indoor baseball from a device like a rocket gun, and also of

Luftwaffe interceptors armed with 37mm, cannon instead of the usual 20mm.

The rockets, fired from beneath twinengined Messerschmitt 110s and 210s, arched at the Forts with about 30 in a string, and exploded in a brilliant flash "like a Fourth of July rocket," crewmen explained. explained.

explained.

There also were repeated stories of enemy fighters once more attempting to drop bombs on the bombers.

The sifted versions of the crews' stories further substantiated the belief that the Luftwaffe is running dangerously short of fighter defense and is turning to every possible expedient to stop the massed Allied raids by day and night. It was obvious from the intelligence reports that the Germans had used virtually every type of combat plane they own against the

Signal for Attack May

Be Given from There;

FDR Sees Knox

QUEBEC, Aug. 23 (UP)-Allied land-

ing operations in the Mediterranean,

accompanied by terrific air and sea bom-

bardments of Naples, Taranto and Brin-

disi, are believed here to be imminent

and may even be announced as a climax

to the Roosevelt-Churchill conference.

There is an atmosphere of expectancy in Quebec. With the arrival of Col. Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, the heads of all the American armed services were present, and it was widely expected the signal for the attack on Italy may be given from here.

Although Italy would be the main

Although Italy would be the main target, the next Allied offensive in the Mediterranean, it is felt, would also involve the Allied forces in the Middle East in a drive against Crete and Greece.

While Mr. Churchill and Canadian Prime Minister Mackenzie King toured

Quebec today, President Roosevelt con-ferred with Col. Knox and T. V. Soong,

Chinese Foreign Secretary.
Sumner Welles, Under Secretary of State, who left Washington for an un-

known destination today, also may



in the European Theater of Operations

Associated Press Photo Maj. John C. Egan with Oak Leaf on his fez he brought from Africa.

werp. We had two series of attacks. The werp, we had two series of attacks. The first was a normal attack and about 30 or 40 fighters came in three at a time."
"I think the first one would have rammed us head on if we hadn't dived,"

Lt. Barr said.

pilots.

The story of the crew of Torchy II was typical. They came back in an unnamed Fortress, once known as the Lively Lady, because the Torchy II had an engine, all the instruments on the right side and the right elevator knocked out by FW190 and Me109 attacks.

"Those German fighters were mad about something. They all fought as if they lived in Hamburg," said Maj. William W. Veal, of New Rochelle, N.Y., squadron commander, who alternated in piloting the Torchy II with 1/Lt. Sam Barr, of Leland, Miss. Maj. Veal started out Torchy II's version of the shuttle story:

"They were pretty unpleasant about the second attack. They came in at about 13 or 14 at a time."

The rotation gear of the top turret went out of commission during the first attack, T/Sgt. E. Cliff, of Mellette, S.D., top turret gunner, said, and didn't operate

S/Sgt. John L. Dorton, of Akron, Ohio, tail gunner on the Marauder Honey Chile, piloted by 1/Lt. Robert B. Spencer, of Glenrose, Tex., claimed destruction of a FW190 which was attacking a homber in his cleaner.

ing a bomber in his element. "It was swinging off from an attack on one of the ships near me," Sgt. Dorton said, "and he came in low from the rear. I gave him the works. Others saw him crash."

The RAF bombing of Leverkusen, along with mine-laying operations in enemy waters and night-fighter intrusions to Nazi air centers in France and Bel-

gium, cost five heavy bombers. Two enemy fighters were shot down, the Air

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Allied light air forces hammered against the invasion coastline of Nazi Europe again yesterday, after 48 hours of unceasing attack which included

a deep foray by RAF night bombers to the chemical works at Leverkusen,

attack arm.

Far Beyond Rail Center

Worst News for Reich From Eastern Front Since Stalingrad

Kharkov, chief Nazi base in southern Russia, fell to the Red Army yesterday.

A Berlin statement by DNB (German news agency) said German troops left the city during the night according to plan "after destroying all military installations and without being subjected to enemy pressure," but a Moscow announcement last night revealed that the city was captured

night revealed that the city was captured by the Russians in fierce fighting.

It was the third Russian victory on the Eastern front within three weeks, coming soon after the recapture of Orel and Byelgorod on Aug. 5.

Kharkov was the hinge on which the German lines in southern Russia swung. A key railroad center, its six railroads radiated to all points in the south. In peace time if was a clearing center for the agricultural and mineral products of the Ukraine.

'Worst News' For Germany

Its capture, achieved by a giant enveloping movement which swept Russian columns nearly a hundred miles in the city's rear, brings the Red Army within 120 miles of the Dnieper. A thrust to this line probably would force the Germans to withdraw from the Donetz basin, the Kuban and the Crimea.

Some Allied sources considered the maximal from the Russian Tour succession and the Crimea.

annihilation of the Sixth Army at Stalin-grad. There was little doubt the Nazi high command had poured thousands of

high command had poured thousands of men into the line to hold it.

Though represented by Berlin as an "evacuation," the withdrawal plainly was part of a general retreat in the south. The Germans, now deprived of their last major defense position short of the Dnieper River, continued to fight stubbornly west of the city, however, and Moscow reported some heights and villages changing hands several times. The RAF night blow was preceded by a Marauder attack at dusk on the Beaumont le Roger airdrome in France, in which the mediums of Eighth Air Support Command ran into their heaviest fighter opposition yet. Escorting Spitfires and the B26s fought off bitter assaults by more than 100 enemy fighters to hit the enemy 'drome the second time in a week.

B26 gunners shot down three enemy planes, Spitfires another six. One medium bomber and eight fighters were reported missing. Beaumont le Roger is the 21st enemy airfield hit by Eighth Air Support's attack arm.

Advances Continue

In spite of the Germans' strong use of guns, mortars, automatic weapons and disabled tanks sunk into the ground as pillboxes, the Russians claimed their advances were continuing and said one strong point after another was being taken. Moscow said German losses were unprecedented nad claimed one regiment had been reduced to 75 men.

Yesterday's victory marked the fourth time the great industrial city, with a peace-time population of 400,000, had changed

The Germans took it first Oct. 29, 1941. When the first Russian winter offensive began two months later the Red Army drove wedges into German positions all around the city, but it remained impreglast Feb. 16 only to lose it to a German counter-offensive March 15.

Moscow announced the victory last

night in an order of the day from Marshal Stalin. It said the ten divisions engaged would be known as the Kharkov divisions and the victory would be celebrated in Moscow by 25 artillery salvos from 224

Berlin radio broke the news slowly to the home front. It sent it out in Morse code for distribution through the offi-cial news agency to all German news-

New Air Chief in CBI Sees

Increased Aid to China

NEW DELHI, India, Aug. 23 (AP)— A promise of increased American air troops and equipment to put weight behind aid to China was given today by Maj. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer, new air officer of the China-Burma-India

By 2/Lt. Arthur R. Moore

A U.S. BOMBER STATION, England, Aug. 23-The Germans threw everything they had at us on that Regensburg raid last week. But we knocked down four of their fighters and bombed hell out of their Messerschmitt plant. So, even though the ship never got to Africa and we came down in the Mediterranean and had to spend 21 hours

What a trip it was though! For actual long-time fighting

and it lodged back on the vertical stabilizer crammed part way into a big 20mm, cannon hole that had been shot through that stabilizer before. The raft flopped around and wound itself about the elevator and before you know it the whole ship was vibrating as though it would fall apart. It and there were the fighters coming at us in bunches. The pilot, 1/Lt. John Keely, and the co-pilot, Harry Coomes, worked like Trojans and they did a marvellous job of keeping the ship under control. I can't see how they did it.

When we pulled out of the formation, everybody forgot fighters for a moment and concentrated on trying to free that raft from our tail. S/Sgt. Douglas Dinford, of Texas, tried to rope it from the waist gun window. Somebody else tried to shoot it off, but it was stuck and stayed on right through the rest of the flight.

We gave up that raft removing business and went back to Ted Rouse, the bombardier, got our first Nazi fighter. It was a Focke Wulf coming straight and level. He asked for it and got it. Ted gave him a couple of bursts and he blew up right there in front of our nose. I personally shot the next one. He was one of those twin-engine Messerschmitt 210s and he didn't blow up; just made a beeline for the ground and hit it real hard.

Meanwhile, the vibrations all over the plane were getting terrific. John Keely had T/Sgt. Ledger Pontius, the engineer, check everything over and over again.

Then we hit the target and I mean we hit it. Smoke and stuff were coming up about 20,000 feet. We blew that Nazi plant so high I think parts of it floated on up to heaven and

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air officer of the China-Burma-India theater.

Gen, Stratemeyer, former chief of the Army Air Staff, has immediate command of the Tenth Air Force in India, Air Service Command and a school for training Chinese and American pilots to be set up in western India, Red Cross Chief Here

Norman H. Davis, chairman of the American National Red Cross, and G. Stewart Brown, vice-chairman, in charge of public relations, have arrived in London for a two-week tour of ETO Red Cross facilities. Tomorrow they will tour London clubs, and later visit field installations.

Portia Hit Target—Then the Sea

Navigator of the Fortress Pregnant Portia

floating around in a dinghy, I guess you could still call it a successful mission.

don't think I could ever see an equal.

We started battling it out with the Germans the moment we hit the European coast and at Antwerp the fighters started coming in. For the next four and a half hours it was the same old hell. Fighters, flak and everything imaginable. Our ship hit its first real trouble about ten minutes before we reached the target.

Somehow one of our life rafts was shot out of its housing shimmied so badly we soon had to drop out of formation-

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Kharkov in the Harvest

For the fourth time this war Kharkov has fallen, and for the second time the Red Army has swept triumphantly back into the ruins of this once thriving Russian city. But this time there is a real possibility the Russians will hold it, for the capture came only after a long hard struggle in which the Red Army moved slowly ahead like a powerful steam roller, smashing all resistance that did not move back before the crushing

Kharkov has been serving lately, as it served in the past, more than anything else as a great physical barrier. This barrier has now been removed from the path of the Russian armies and a great Russian victory has been won. The very size of this victory is a measure of the importance of Allied strategy, for the success at Kharkov resulted in part from the Allies striking maximum blows together to make certain that Axis reserves in men, guns, tanks and planes could not be used in counter-attacks that would cost the fruits of hard won victories.

Globular war as planned by Allied leaders has resulted this year in vigorous, coordinated action and the fruits of coordinated action are dropping like overripe plums into our eager hands. As the globular strategy develops new victories will not be followed by quick defeats as happened so often in the past.

Thus Kharkov, important road and rail center, is in Russian hands because we have done our part to collect the harvest aines dier Europe.

Herrenvolk

Many of us from the land of liberty and free speech now realize a serious mistake was made after the last war in under-estimating the latent danger in the German belief in Herrenvolk, or the master race theory. Germans apply this term to themselves on the ground that racially they are superior to all other peoples. They refer to Americans as "a mongrel breed" and even to the British on the same ground, for the British are a mixture of Celts, Latins, Teutons, French and many other races. The Germans, however, if you believe the Germans, are the thoroughbreds, unpolluted, and destined to "rule the world."

After the last great war, Allied governments, concerned with their own internal problems, allowed the German nation to revive the doctrine of "Herrenvolk," Hitler, the rising politician, made it a plank in his political platform. But the

On the matter of Herrenvolk, Bismarck, Kaiser Wilhelm and Adolf Hitler have all seen eye to eye, for all believed the Germans were the master race, invincible on the field of battle and destined to govern "Inferior Peoples."

Kaiser Bill expressed the idea in a personal sort of way in his 1914 proclamation to the German armies when he said: "Germans, remember you are the Chosen The spirit of the Lord has descended upon me, because I am the Emperor of the Germans. I am the instrument of the Most High. I am His sword. His representative. death to those who do not believe in my mission. Let them perish . . . all the enemies of the German people. demands their destruction. God, who through my lips commands you to execute

This proclamation by the Kaiser contains the same tone as a Hitler address, and could be accepted only by a people taught for generations to believe they were supermen and that martial force is the basis of all political virtues.

Without strict control for a period of mahy years, a people so indoctrinated could easily revert to type, and believe again in "Germany, Germany over everyone, over everyone in the world."

What is true of Germany is equally true of Japan, so this time we must see to it that such dangerous theories are utterly destroyed, never to rise again.

Hash Marks

Living conditions must really be crowded back home. James Wade of New York was injured seriously when he rolled over in bed-and fell out of a three-story window.

Incidental information. dance hall hostesses declare Marines are



the worst dancers; sailors are the best Somewhere in between come about eight million soldiers.

Cheer up, boys, even Hollywood is optimistic about the war. A big film now under way is titled "Appointment in Berlin." Nobody knows the plot, but all the big-time commentators are making guesses as to the day Allied troops march Unter den Linden. Hendrik Willem Van Loon is the most confirmed optimist-he's offering even money the Nazis will be on their knees come late autumn .

The Nazis are nice, playful little lads. Back in the days when they used to invade countries, the troops carried foreign language manuals covering simple everyday questions and answers about food, directions, &c. But this wasn't enough for the supermen; they also had items like this, "Mr. Mayor, where is the city trea-sury?" and "Mr. Mayor, you're about to be shot."

And then there was the wolf who knew all the ankles.

Here's the most delightful bit of verse we've run across lately. It was passed on to us by a Pfc who prefers to remain anonymous:

I drink to your health when I'm with you, I drink to your health when alone; I've drunk to your health so doggone

I've almost ruined my own.

A Hartford, Conn., woman went all the way to New Bedford, Mass., to claim



a house she had bought and took all her furniture with her. But when she arrived, all she found was the cellar and a toppled-over chimney. The police deparment assigned detectives to the case. They walked down the road a mile and ran smack into the missing house. A guy named Fernandez claimed ownership and was moving the house out to his farm to be remodelled into a hen house.

Nazis Using Rocket Gun Fighters

Shuttle Raid Airmen Describe Desperate Air Battles

(Continued from page 1) again until after Torchy II had passed the

"But I could fire to the rear by leaning back and pushing my feet against the oxygen bottles," he said, "so I got quite a bit of shooting in."

Black cannon balls were rocketed from somewhere underneath two Messerschmitts that attacked them, said 1/Lt. Joseph Armanini, of Santa Cruz, Cal. They must have been fired under compression or by some kind of rocket system," he said. "They were slung out from under the ship, I don't know exactly where. None of them hit us, but we saw them end in a brilliant flash, like a Fourth of July rocket. They'd come about 30 in a string."

"Not connected exactly," Maj. Veal said, "but damn close together."

These shells were about the size of a 12-inch indoor baseball, according to S/Sgt. Max Russ, of San Antonio, Tex., ball turret gunner.

Nearly Out of Gas

Flying south of the target, the plane was out of oxygen, nearly out of ammunition, low on gasoline, "and we sweated out the Alps," crew members recalled. Over Innsbruck, in the Austrian Tyrol, where his father was born, Lt. Aramini said he took a picture. The Torchy II flew "on the sea" crossing the Mediter-ranean, and the crew saw five or six planes ditched, they said.

planes ditched, they said.

Apparently because of increasing difficulty in preventing Fortress raids, German fighters are using a new system, Maj. Veal said. "They're moving fighters into central Germany from other districts, in a sort of fluid defense, instead of the sector defense as in a basketball game that they used to use," he said. "Many of the planes also have additional tanks of gas under the wings."

On the way to the raid German cities.

On the way to the raid German cities looked deserted, with no movement of any kind in them, as if there has been



Wearing red fezes and carrying Arabian knives, Sgt. Jas. M. Johnson, Holdenville, Okla.; Sgt. Donald Gallison, Eldorado, Ill.; Lt. August Gasper, Oakland, Cal.; Lt. F. Murphy, Ax, Ga., and Lt. Glenn Graham, Freedom, Pa., arrived at the home base in England yesterday from Africa, where the Fort crew landed after the Aug. 22 raid on Regensburg, Germany.

say about the gunners on Torchy II. "The gunners deserve all the credit," he said.
"They do all the shooting. The cabins are heated, but it's cold where the gunners are. I don't see how they do it."

say about the gunners on Torchy II. "The was much easier than fighting back to Britain.

On their arrival, the men sat down on the desert and ate their emergency rations are. I don't see how they do it." are. I don't see how they do it.

It was the eleventh mission for members of the Torchy II's crew. Others in the crew are: 2/Lt, Howard D. Bassett, Saratoga Springs, N.Y., navigator; T/Sgt. Michael J. Hanowigch, Detroit, radio operator; S/Sgt. William Ohl, Mineral Ridge, Ohio, left waist gunner; S/Sgt. Clifford T. Miner, Baraboo, Wis., right waist gunner, and S/Sgt. James T. Hiten, Lexington, Ky., tail gunner.

"It was plenty of hell." said 1/Lt.

"It was plenty of hell," said 1/Lt. Robert Wolff, of Palos Verde, Cal., pilot of the Fort, Wolf Pack, describing the trip from Antwerp to Regensburg. "The fighters came up like mosquitos from fields all along the way." "And." added the navigator of the Phartzac, 1/Lt. Donald Serout, of Keene, N.H., "they stayed with us for about an hour and a half."

The fivers agreed that the shuttle ser-

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out of mess kits, slept two nights in their planes, and swam in the Mediterranean.

The souvenirs they showed up with tonight ranged from curved Arabian knives to wallets containing Allied money—and a line of new dialect. Favorite saying at the moment is "Ali, Ali, Salome!" Why, nobody knows.

1/Lt. Norman Scott, pilot from Los Angeles, said, "It was the toughest thing I've ever seen. Our plane knocked down sight fighters on our way to the larget

eight fighters on our way to the target. You ought to see our ship. We, are in the market for a new one now. The bombing was beautiful; it had to be after the time we'd had getting there."

The airmen were jubilant when shown reconnaissance pictures of the results of

reconnaissance pictures of the results of their bombings, which reveal one of the a complete stoppage of activity because of raid damage, Maj. Veal said.

The major had some special words to with us for about an hour and a half." best examples yet of precision daylight bombing. The large plant was almost vice, flying straight on to North Africa, completely destroyed.

Portias End:

(Continued from page 1) God, no doubt, sent them right back to

S/Sgt. Robert Banner, the ball turret gunner, got our next Nazi fighter as we were leaving the target. It was one of those big Junker 88s, and he made another of those one-stop trips to the ground after Banner gave him a few beautiful bursts.

Then, with everything else in the world happening to us, our oxygen started to get low. It was like adding insult to injury. Sgt. Pontius wasn't worried about oxygen, because just as someone said something about it over the inner phone, Pontius hit another Me210. It was a beautiful job. First he knocked out one engine of that fighter, then the other, and it blew to smithereens right under our ship.

We could see the Alps in the distance

I en on a Five-IVIan Kaft

The oxygen was getting dangerously low, and S/Sgt. Ray Shepherd, one of the waist gunners, was firing so fast and furious that his mask kept flopping off and S/Sgt. Doug Binford kept putting it on for him. At this time, John Keely did a little figuring, and in one of those simple but heroic sestures he took up an but heroic gestures, he took up an emergency oxygen cylinder for himself, allowing the full supply that he was using to go to the nose of the ship for me and Ted Rouse. Ted Rouse.

Boy, when we reached the Alps at last I was sweating. A .30 caliber bullet had just pierced my ammunition can and lodged itself in my sleeve a fraction of an inch from my arm. It had missed the middle of Ted Rouse's head by inches.

You know, those fighters were so desperate they followed us part of the way in from the Alps—what was left of them. During the hot action I can't remember looking out without seeing a bunch of them falling out of the sky at once like big dirty drops of rain. I can't remember how many of them jumped us.

But the worst was still in store for us

But the worst was still in store for us. There was the big Mediterranean to cross yet and all that hot flying had been eating

When we let down to 13,000 feet at the Alps our last bit of oxygen finally gave out, but then we figured maybe we could stay down and so we sat back.

Raft Stuck For Good

But only for a moment. When we hit the Italian coast, John Keely turned the ship over to Harry Coomes and Ted Rouse went up to help Harry. John went back to try again to dislodge that damn raft. He gave it up quickly though. That raft was on the stabilizer to stay,

We were all alone now, flying 1,000 We were all alone now, flying 1,000 feet off the water, when the gas situation started getting serious. About 30 miles off the coast of Corsica the red light on the panel board started blinking like a Broadway cigarette sign. Then one engine sputtered and went dead. That's when we all started sweating it out again. T/Sgt. Sam Rochester, radio gunner, got to work sending distress signals despite a shot away antenna.

by this time. Since we expected our tail seen made on land. S/Sgt. Edward to flop off any minute we looked longingly at those mountains and prayed like we'd never prayed before.

The average partition decreased to the following the second to the second t not one of them fell off.

Water was seeping in and there was the problem of only one dinghy for all of us. But we got out right quickly, took what we thought necessary and started surveying the situation. Finally, five of us got into the dinghy and the other five just hung on outside. We were a hard bunch, with knives and everything else ready in case any of those Italian water sharks came snooping. sharks came snooping.

Anyway, the Portia went down and that was when we really got lonely. Darkness was coming on, too. When it did get dark we all got in that little dinghy somehow, half in, half out, and Pontius, that rascal, started singing "Ten Men in a Tub."

What a night that was. At one time a dark, huge-looking object came toward us and we thought surely we were goners.

When trails of daylight finally came up over the horizon we were all half dead. At one time a group of bombers came over, but we saw they were enemies and, thank heaven, they didn't sight us.

Spirits Rose With Sun

When the sun did come up our spirits rose again, and we took stock of ourselves. During the night everything we had, even the stuff in our pockets, had floated away. The raft was half submerged, so we went back to the old game of half in and half out and there we stayed. At 11 o'clock the little automatic transmitter we had went out, and that is when we started praying in earnest.

Harry Coomes got out his rosary, and

when we started praying in earnest.

Harry Coomes got out his rosary, and we all prayed as praying was never done before. Incidentally, the following Sunday we attended church en masse.

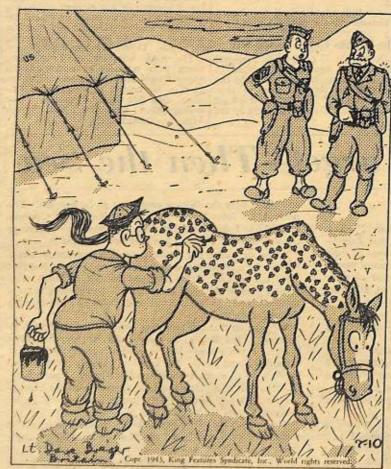
Anyway, as the afternoon came on, a B26 sighted us, and stayed right over us until one of those British air-sea rescue launches came out and picked us up. We thought we were hard as nails. After all, we were combat men. But right then we

started getting serious. About 30 miles off the coast of Corsica the red light on the panel board started blinking like a Broadway cigarette sign. Then one engine sputtered and went dead. That's when we all started sweating it out again. T/Sgt. Sam Rochester, radio gunner, got to work sending distress signals despite a shot away antenna.

Then another engine sputtered and went dead. Then a third. There we were, ten men, and only a five-man life raft. Sweat-doing then.

As we expected, in a matter of seconds the fourth and last engine went dead, and and prepared for the crash. But it never vered so beautifully, and got the cross in the water was better than many I've in the companies of the cross in the water was better than many I've in the water of constant men. But right we were hard as nails. After all, we were combat men. But right we we we we we were combat men. But right we we were we we we we we we we we were combat men. But right we we were combat men. But right

PRIVATE BREGER



"His theory is that by covering him with painted flies the real ones will look elsewhere!"

Ten Errors Aid Tigers to Topple Yankees Twice

Brain of Ulster **SportsProgram** Is Irene Boyce

Directed Softball, Baseball Schedules, Started Tennis, Other Athletics

By Sheamus McWhite

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
BELFAST, Aug. 23—It would take a
couple of General Grants, Lees, Shermans and even a few Churchills to stop
these Northern Ireland lads when they
get their Ulster up. This, apropos the
visit here of the Eighth Air Force Airmen
who beat the Blues, 1—0, in a big show a
mark ago Saturday.

week ago Saturday.

Ed "Deacon" Behnen, late strikeout king, went off in the cookhouse and sulked. Even Americx, usually hungry for Army scalps, got sinister and invited the visitors out to Lockheed next day to defeat them, 5—4. Through what looks suspiciously like a conspiracy, the Airmen weren't able to get a boat or plane home, and the Blues had another go with them Wednesday afternoon.

This time the Deacon was really made.

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This time the Deacon was really mad: he struck out 17 Air Force aspirants and won the ball game, 1—0, in ten innings, including a delightful argument in which the umps put a guy out of the game and resigned himself. No good for baseball, but fun for the people, and everybody went home happy including the Airmen, who said they had a good time in Ireland and liked the eggs. It was mutual; the NI bureau heard no less than four team managers here express admiration for this clean, hard hitting gang.

Knew More About Tatting

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The mid-season departure of Frank Kammerlohr, Red Cross program director here, developed a unique situation in baseball. The Northern Ireland league, "it may now be revealed," has been managed by a woman for the last two months. She is Miss Irene Boyce, formerly one of Frank's assistants, and it was up to her to step to the plate and pinch hit as best she could—although she confessed at the outset her ignorance of baseball was only equalled by her knowledge of tatting, which would be about equal to yours. It's no cinch, either, arranging schedules, finding umpires, refereeing managers' meetings, locating equipment, thin pach this has to be done in addition to ordinary duties.

to ordinary duties.

Forming Grid Teams

Miss Boyce got a tennis league going, but the weather and this-and-that has interfered lately so that finals in the singles remain to be played. At last glance, the following were still in: Dr. W. F. Roberts, Los Angeles (LOC), Cpl. Ed O'Rourke, Bear Lake, Mich.; Roger Hope, Bill Tate and George McCutcheon, all of Lockheed Overseas. Hope is a favorite.

Her golf program was upset, owing to laying on of Sunday duties in the Air Force, and there was basketball and inter boxing to think about, as well as football

This didn't stop our Irene. She's got one QM and three or four Air Force outfits already forming grid teams, quite a few new lads coming in for Arthur Anderson's boxing instruction at the club, and last week she pulled a coup d'etat that is sure to get two Northern Ireland softball outfits a trip to England for ETO

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Little Flower Chides Giant, Dodger Fans

NEW YORK, Aug. 23-In his regular Sunday afternoon address to his constituents, Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia chided Giant and Dodger fans for disloyalty.

Commenting on the recent poor attendances at the Polo Ground and Ebbets Field, Butch said, "What's the matter with you Giant fans? Don't let them down now-or the Dodgers They've been unlucky, but they'll come up again. Now you fans get out there and whoop it up for

Thunderbolts Clout Hq., 19-1

Seven Runs in First Give Pete Dudek Triumph; Yerke Leads Hitters

- FIGHTER STATION, Aug. 23-Playing their first inter-station baseball game yesterday, this station's Thunderbolts handed the - Fighter Wing Headquarters a 19-1 defeat.

After the first inning, when the losers cored their lone tally on two hits, the Thunderbolts had things their own way, scoring seven runs in the first, two in the second, eight in the third, and two in the sixth. Sgt. Ernie Yerke, of St. Louis, led the Thunderbolts at the plate, with a homer and two singles.

Pyt. Pete Dudek, of Scranton, Pa., who was credited with being the winning hurler, was relieved in the fourth by Pfc Vic Berger. Pfc Bill Pronold, of Gennessee Depot, Wis., who did the catching for the winners got two safeties along for the winners, got two safeties along with Jim Darrall, of Springdale, Pa., and Blackwelder, of Taylorsville, N.C.

Davis Hurls 2nd No-Hitter As Schoolboys Succumb

- BOMBER STATION, Aug. 23—Facing only 22 men in a seven-inning baseball game here, S/Sgt. Maurice second successive no run, no-inc game in two starts for this station's Alcon-Falcons over the Schoolboys, 6—0. His battery mate was Sgt. Carmine D'Amante, of Claremont, N.H.

The winners got to Hurler 1/Lt, Frank Furness, of New York, for one run in the sixth and a big five in the seventh on a total of 11 safeties.

International League

Rochester 8, Buffalo 0 (first game)
Rochester 2, Buffalo 0 (first game)
Rochester 2, Buffalo 1 (second game)
Syracuse 8, Newark 7 (first game)
Newark 6, Syracuse 5 (second game)
Montreal 6, Toronto 3 (first game)
Montreal 3, Toronto 1 (second game)
Baltimore 3, Jersey City 2 (first game)
Baltimore 1, Jersey City 0 (second game)
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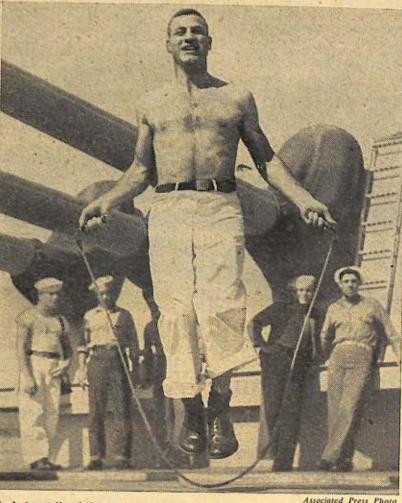
Albany 3, Elmira 9 (first game)
Albany 4, Elmira 2 (second game)
Hartford 8, Wilkes-Barre 2 (first game)
Hartford 5, Wilkes-Barre 0 (second gam
Springfield 3, Scranton 2 (first game)
Springfield 2, Scranton 1 (second game)
Utica 2, Binghamton 0 (first game)
Binghamton 4, Utica 3 (second game)
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American Association

American Association
Sunday's Games
Indianapolis 6, Minneapolis 5 (first game)
Minneapolis 17, Indianapolis 5 (second game)
Columbus 5, Kansas City 3 (first game)
Kansas City 11, Columbus 1 (second game)
St. Paul 2, Louisville 1 (first game)

Bucs Blank Renegades, 4-0

Apostoli Works Out on Cruiser



Associated Press Photo

Fred Apostoli, of San Francisco, middleweight champion in 1938, skips rope during a daily workout on a light cruiser, on which he is a gun captain, at an advanced base in the South Pacific.

Byrd Captures OpenGolf Title

CHICAGO, Aug. 23—Sammy Byrd, former New York Yankee and Cincinnati Red outfielder, won the National Open Golf championship here yesterday with a 72-hole score of 277. Byrd covered the tricky, well-tranned Beverly Club It was Byrd's second prize of the meet, as he had teamed with Bob Cochran, St. Louis amateur, to capture the proamateur event. Craig Wood was second with 282. Sgt. Jim Turnesa, of New York, and Pyt. Chick Harbert, Camp Grant, Ill., tied for third with 283, while Byron Nelson, of Toledo, Ohio, took fifth place with even par of 284.

St. Paul 5, Louisville 0 (second game) Milwaukee 8, Toledo 7 (first game) Toledo 7, Milwaukee I (second game)

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Sunday's Games
New Orleans 5, Little Rock 3
Nashville 7, Knoxville 2 (first game)
Nashville 5, Knoxville 0 (second game)
Memphis 13, Birmingham 7 (second game)
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Atlanta 12, Montgomery 8 (first game)
Atlanta 12, Montgomery 3 (second game)

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Pacific Coast League

Sunday's Games

Hollywood 3, Los Angeles 1 (first game)
Los Angeles 6, Hollywood 3 (second game)
Oakland 3, San Francisco 0 (first game)
Oakland 7, San Francisco 2 (second game)
Seattle 4, Sacramento 3 (first game)
Seattle 4, Sacramento 0 (second game)
Portland 5, San Diego 0 (first game)
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Don Faurot Succeeds Bierman

the Marine Corps.

Minor League Results

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American League Sunday's Games

Sunday's Games

Detroit 12, New York 0 (first game)
Detroit 8, New York 3 (second game)
St. Louis 8, Washington 5 (first game)
Washington, Annalenhina's Unitergable pages 10.
Chicago 3, Philadelphia 2 (second game)
Cleveland 6, Boston 0 (first game)
Cleveland 7, Boston 6 (second game 13 innings)
Cleveland 7, Boston 6 (second game 15)
Cleveland 7, Boston 6 (second game 16)
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Detroit 60 52 536 Boston 55 61 474
Washington 63 55 534 St. Louis 56 14 455
Cleveland 59 53 527 Philadelphia 40 75 348

Vesterday's Schedule

Yesterday's Schedule

Philadelphia at Chicago No other games scheduled.

National League Sunday's Games

Sunday's Games

St. Louis 6, Boston 1 (first game)
St. Louis 5, Boston 1 (second game)
Brooklyn 6, Pittsburgh 1 (first game)
Brooklyn 8, Pittsburgh 6 (second game)
Cincinnati 4, Philadelphia 3 (first game)
Cincinnati 20, Philadelphia 6 (second game)
Chicago 6, New York 2 (first game)
Chicago 6, New York 3 (second game)
Chicago 4, New York 3 (second game)
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Yesterday's Schedule

St. Louis at Boston No other games scheduled,

Leading Hitters

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National League
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Vaughan, Brooklyn . 114 463 90 144
Cooper, St. Louis . 92 338 41 105
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American League—York, Detroit, 26; Kelser, New York, 22; Doetr, Boston, and Stephens, St. Louis, 15.
National League—Nicholson, Chicago, 20; Ott, New York, 17; DiMaggio, Pittsburgh, 15.
Runs Batted In

American League—York, Detroit, 87; Etten, New York, 84; Johnson, New York, 77, National League—Nicholson, Chicago, 95; Elliott, Pittsburgh, 76; DiMaggio, Pittsburgh, 75.

Fortmann Will Play For Bears

IOWA CITY, Aug. 23-Lt. Don aurot, former Missouri grid coach, has been named head coach at Jowa Naval Preflight school. Faurot led Missouri to Big Six championships in 1939 and 1941. He succeeds Lt. Col. Bernie Bier-man. Bierman being on active duty with PITTSBURGH, Aug. 23—Dr. Danny Fortmann, for seven years one of the toughest guards in pro football, is return-ing from retirement to play again this year with the Chicago Bears.

Largest Crowd Of Season Sees Double Victory

Cards, Dodgers Annex Double-Headers; Nats, Browns Split

NEW YORK, Aug. 23—The Detroit Tigers took advantage of ten Yankee errors at Briggs Stadium yesterday to sweep both ends of a double bill, 12—0 and 8—3, with the biggest crowd of the major league season, 58,404, watching the Bengals move into second place in the American League.

Dizzy Trout whitewashed the Bombers in the opening contest, scattering nine hits for his 15th mound success while the Detroiters pounded Charlie Wensloff and Mary Breuer for 18 blows, including home runs by Dick Wakefield, Frank Higgins and Jimmy Bloodworth, Wensloff was tagged with his eighth setback

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Tommy Bridges took up where Trout left off in the second tilt, holding the Yankee to seven hits. Rudy York was the big gun in the Tigers' batting attack, getting his 26th homer of the season and knocking in three runs—making his total six for the day. Charlie Keller's circuit blow in the second gave the Ruppert Rifles a temporary 1—0 lead, but the Tigers took their other three tallies in the third and were never headed. The New Yorkers made seven miscues in the opener and three in the nightcap. Marius opener and three in the nightcap. Marius Russo was the mound victim.

Salveson Hurls Two-Hitter

The Cleveland Indians grabbed both their games with the Boston Red Sox at their games with the Boston Red Sox at Cleveland, 6—0 and 7—6. Jack Salveson turned in a fancy two-hit hill job in the first game. The Tribe had to go 13 innings to cop the nightcap as they blew a 6—1 lead in the eighth, the Bosox knotting the count with five markers. Oris Hockett singled in the 13th with the bags loaded to win the game and give Vern Kennedy his 13th triumph as Joe Dobson was marked down as the loser.

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The miserable Athletics strengthened their tight hold on the junior loop cellar, dropping their 16th and 17th in a row to the White Sox at Comiskey Park, 5—2 and 3—2. Edgar Smith allowed six hits in walking off with the contents. in walking off with the opener as Boston rapped out nine off the offerings of Joe Mains. Veteran Tony Cuccinello broke up the nightcap with a ninth-inning homer breaking a 2—2 tie. Johnny while Jess Flores was the Joser.

Stephens' Homer Nets Three

In the only split bill in either league, the Browns clubbed the Senators, 8-5, In the only split bill in either league, the Browns clubbed the Senators, 8—5, in the first half of their double act, then succumbed, 4—2, in a ten-inning night-cap. Bob Muncrief was the winner in the first game, despite 11 Washington hits, including homers by Early Wynn and Stan Spence. Vern Stephens' homer in the first scored three runs and three more tallied in the sixth on four-masters by Frank Hayes and Chet Laabs. George Case got four hits in the second game, including a triple and two doubles, doubling home the winning run in the tenth and scoring on Mickey Vernon's fly. Alex Carrasquel, who came in for Milo Candini in the ninth, was the winner, Al Hollingsworth the loser.

Over in the National League, the Cardinals beat the Braves twice at Boston, 6—1 and 5—1. Jim Tobin blanked the Cards in the first seven frames of the opener, but two runs in the eighth and four in the ninth on Walker Cooper's homer with the bases loaded cinched the contest, Lefty Al Brazle held the Braves to six blows in winning. St. Louis won the second tilt with single runs in the first and second

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Bums Pound Gornicki

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It was a joyous Sunday in Flatbush as the Dodgers annexed their two games with the Pirates at Ebbets Field, 6—1 and 8—6. Ed Head was tapped for six hits in the opener, but the Bums pounded Hank Gornicki, Xavier Rescigno and Bill Brandt for 11, including homers by Bobby Bragan, Augie Galan and Rookie Howard Schultz. Rex Barney chalked up his first major league triumph in the second con-Schultz. Rex Barney chalked up his first major league triumph in the second contest, allowing the Pirates seven raps, although he almost blew the ball game in the fourth, allowing Vince DiMaggio to homer with the bases loaded to tie the game, 4—4. The Flock went ahead in their half of the stanzz and iced the game in the sixth with three runs. Go giable

their half of the stanzz and iced the game in the sixth with three runs. Gornicki, who entered the game in the sixth, was charged with his second loss of the day.

The Cincinnati Reds set a season scoring record, beating the Phillies, 20—6, in the second game after winning the opener, 4—3, at Shibe Park. The Phillie hurlers gave up 22 hits. Cincinnati scored two in the first inning and two in the sixth for Elmer Riddle's 16th victory in the opener. Al Gerheauser lost his 13th.

The Chicago Cubs handed the Giants a dose of grief at the Polo Grounds, winning 6—2 and 4—3. The Bruins wasted no time in the opener, winning it in the

no time in the opener, winning it in the first on Bill Nicholson's homer with two men on, chasing Johnny Wittig. The Bruins went on to belt two more Giant twirlers for 13 hits while Claude Passeau gave up six. Chicago scored single runs in the first three innings and one in the eighth of the nightcap. Hank Wyse went all the way, yielding eight hits as Van Lingle Mungo gave up ten.





Ickes Returns

U.S. Coal Pits

To Operators

Mines Have Been Operated

By Government Since

May Strike

NEWS FROM HOME

DenmarkSwept By New Revolt Despite'Appeal'

Patriots Ignore Message Of King, Blow Up War Factories

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 23 (UP)—A wave of sabotage swept Denmark over the weekend following King Christian's appeal to the people to refrain from such acts. Last night was described in dis-patches as "one of Denmark's worst

nights so far."

A factory in a Copenhagen suburb which made camouflage netting for the German army was damaged by explosives. A new German dispatch boat, at the Knippelsbroen quay, was wrecked and sunk by a time-bomb. The big aluminum factory at Fredricksberg was wrecked by explosives.

The German authorities were faced with no option but to enforce their demand that saboteurs be dealt with by German law. It was believed that this will result in the military occupation of the whole

Revolt Spreads in France

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BERNE, Aug. 23 (AP) — Italian
authorities in the Haute Savoie district of
France have ordered the death penalty
for a series of offenses to check the increasing resistance of the population.

The Gazette de Lausanne reported that
posters in cities and villages announced
that death would be the penalty for sabotage, attempts against occupation troops
and operation of radio listening posts.

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(Throughout France an extensive campaign of crop sabotage is in progress, United Press reported, and Vichy maintains that at least 100 saboteurs are raiging loose over the country setting fire to crops and wrecking agricultural machinery. In Belgium, armed raiders have set fire to the locomotive repair shops at Tournai, according to the Belgian news agency.)

Germans Cut Off Trade Between Sweden, Italy

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 23 (AP)—Germany has cut off Sweden's commercial trade with Italy by refusing the transport of goods going through the Reich.

A statement from a German railway

director to Sweden saying, "We can no longer transport your goods," came a week after Sweden announced that the transport of German troops and war

Sweden also imported fruit from Italy.

Waives Exemption

CARSON CITY, Nev., Aug. 23—Denver Dickerson, 29-year-old owner and editor of the Carson City Chronicle and speaker of the Nevada Assembly, has waived his draft exemption and enlisted in the army as a private

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said to have been organized by foreign leaders who started operations last month

Meanwhile Berne, Switzerland, heard that German soldiers in Italy now number about 400,000. The Italian frontier correspondent of Die Tat said the Nazis had been withdrawn from southern Italy to better positions within

From the time the first wave of Marauders crossed the Italian coast on their way to Salerno until they were far at sea again, the mediums and Invaders

Hankow yesterday.

Japs Lack Shipping, and setting fires in industrial buildings

and coal piles.

Wellingtons followed up at night dropping two-ton blockbusters around the freight yards and on bridges, ware-houses and industrial buildings in the station area. At one point they dis-covered a concentration of some 250 freight cars and blew them to bits with several 4,000-pounders.

American Forces Network Operated by Radio Branch, Special Service Section, SOS, ETO.

OnYour Dial

(All times listed are PM) Tuesday, Aug. 24

5.45—Spotlight—Tommy Dorsey.
6.00—News (BBC).
6.10—Personal Album—Judy Garland.
6.25—GI Supper Club—Request program.
7.00—Sports News—Stars and Stripes radio

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7.05—South American Way—Latin music.
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7.06—Bownbeat—With Dave Rose and his Orchestra.
8.00—News From Home—Stars and Stripes roundup.
8.10—Fred Waring Show.
8.25—Miniature.
8.30—Red Sketton Show.
9.06—News (BBC)—
9.10—Moods in Music.
9.25—Into Battle (BBC)—"Fighting Spirit of the United Nations."
9.35—Mrsic Society of Lower Basin Street (BBC)—500—Final Edition—Stars and Stripes news.
0.10—Artie Shaw and his Orchestra.

The Beginning of the End for French Steel Factory



Two American-built Bostons manned by the RAF (circles) sweep over rooftops of a steel works at Denain, France, leaving behind their load of devastation (marked by a plume of smoke) directly on the target. Moments after this picture was taken other low-level raiders swooped over the steel works inflicting severe damage.

Planes Hammer Salamaua Japs

Allied Air Attacks Prelude To Imminent Land Drive on Base

ALLIED HQ. Southwest Pacific, Aug. 23 (UP)—Reduction of the defenses of Salamana from the air preparatory to a final land assault was in full swing yesterday as Allied planes poured bombs and machine-gun fire on to enemy positions

found the important base.

Even if the Japs had any planes left at Salamaua they would hardly be in a position to use them. In the latest Allied advance a key ridge which commands the

base's airdrome was seized.

The Allied air offensive continues in rarious sectors of the Southwest Pacific area, and heavy bombers have reached out into the Central Pacific and bombed and strafed two enemy merchant ships, signited in the vicinity of Greenwich Island, more than 500 miles north of New Guinea.

In the Solomons, U.S. forces on Baanga Island captured Japanese guns which had been used in the shelling of Munda.

Another Aleutian Island Seized

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23 (AP)—
Segula Island, about 20 miles east of
Kaska, has been taken by U.S. and Canadian troops, the Navy Department announced tonight.

No Japanese were found there.
On Kiska, three Jap midget submarines, apparently damaged by bombs, were found on the marine railway at the submarine base, the Navy report added.

China Libs Destroy 39 Japs
HEADQUARTERS, 14TH AIR
FORCE, China, Aug. 22 (delayed)—
Maj. Gen. Claire Chennault's medium
bombers and fighters destroyed 39 Jap
planes in the air and probably shot down
13 and damaged two others in a series
of battles accompanying heavy raids on
the enemy's central China base at
Hankow yesterday.

Can't Develop Indies

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23 (AP)—An acute shipping shortage is making it difficult for the Japanese to get at the newly won riches of the East Indies, the Netherlands Information Bureau said to day. It based its assertion on Tokio broadcasts and information available from Australia that the Japanese had suf-

from Australia that the Japanese had suf-fered a net loss of 500,000 to 750,000 tons of shipping since the war began.

The report said that to remedy the shortage Japan was trying to accelerate construction in home yards, at Hongkong and in southeast "Asia. Lacking steel, they have concentrated on developing a standard wooden ship displacing only 150 to 200 tons.

First USAAF Raider Ditches on Anniversary

A USAAF BOMBER STATION. England, Aug. 23-"This," said 1/Lt. Eugene M. Lockhart, as he swam from his sinking bomber, "is a hell of a way to celebrate an anniversary."

Exactly a year before, Lockhart, 25-year-old pilot from Hillsboro, N.C., flew one of the first of the 12 Flying Fortresses to bomb German-occupied

Last Tuesday, on the Eighth Air Force's big birthday party over Schweinfurt, Lt. Lockhart flew the B17, Hitler's Gremlin, which ran into trouble on the way to the target. Lt. Lockhart was forced to ditch on the way home when the damaged ship ran out of gas.

Lockhart and his crew were picked out of the sea by a Walrus which

Fighter Station Revue to Tour

A U.S. FIGHTER STATION, England, Aug. 23—"Yankee Doodle Not So Dandy," soldier review staged by the men of this post, will give a repeat performance here Friday and then will tour eight neighboring camps.

The two bout show i written directed.

The two-hour show, written, directed and produced by Pfc Leslie E. Weiner, of Far Rockaway, N.Y., is a fast-moving 35-scene musical, Star acts are "How to Apply for OCS," "Search for Daddy," "How to Get a Three-Day Pass" and "Sick Call."

"Sick Call."

The cast includes: Cpl. Anthony Donadio, Baltimore; Cpl. John McCutcheon, Pattison, N.J.; Sgt. James Hines, New York; Pvt. Hyman Finkel, New York; Cpl. Robert, Moore, Pittsburgh; Cpl. Harry Weitzel, Pittsburgh; Cpl. Jerome Seigel, Brooklyn; Sgt. Edward Colligan, Bronx; Cpl. William Drogo, Dumont, N.J.

Music: 2/Lt. John DeGeorge, Nashville, Tenn.; M/Sgt. Roy Wrightam, Pontiac, Ill.; Pvt. John Jones, Philadelphia: Pvt. Ralph Leopold, Norwich, Conn.; Sgt. William McMillan, Kansay City, Kan.; Pvt. Robert Rijk, Wilkes Barre, Pa.; Sgt. Edward O'Brien, Plainfield, N.J.; Cpl. Robert Bohler, St. Lougs, and Pfc Rudy Vida, Spokane, Wash.

Wash.
Sets, Cpl. A. A. DeCosta. Philadelphia; stage
manager, Sgt. E. W. Arje, the Bronx; property
man, Pic Joe Connors, Pittsburgh; lighting, S/Sgt.
Pat Fanchi; Soccial Service, 1/Lt. Phil Hanovit,
WACs in the show are Pet, Pegzy Cenlogue,
Philadelphia, and Pet. Ona May Murray, Monterey,
Cal.

Foss Trains Flying Circus

SIOUX FALLS, S.D., Aug. 23—Maj.
Joe Foss, of the Marine Corps., who shot down 26 enemy planes in the Guadalcanal area to tie the World war record of Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, is training a new flying circus at Santa Barbara, Cal., for combat against the Japanese. Major Foss, who made a brief visit to his home here, said the only other member of the old group to fly in the new outfit is Capt. Gregg Lash, of Montana.

New GI Show Opens Sept. 15

Blonde Bomb-Shell, Soldier Cast

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 23 — When 'Colonel Eternal," three-act GI musical

As the "beautiful blonde," Pvt. Fiorellio will have the job of capturing the affections of a rough and tough "Colonel Eternal," a part to be acted by Sgt. Joe Cohen, of New York, so that the colonel will allow the soldiers on his post-to stage a show.

The supporting cost will include Sat.

The supporting cast will include Sgt. John Tish, of Summit, N.J., and Cpl. Edward White of Mander More The written and composed by the producers, Sgt. Joseph Nairn, of Minneapolis, Minn., Sgt. Cohen and Pvt. Saul Lensberg, of Sioux City, Iowa.

Bury St. Edmunds

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BURY ST, EDMUNDS, Aug. 23—Prizes will
be awarded soldiers who tell the biggest lie, the
whitest lie and the best lie to get a 48-hour pass at
a contest at the Red Cross club bere next Saturday,
Program for the week!
Tuesday—Dance, 8 PM.
Wednesday—Recreation night, 8.30 PM.
Thursday—Movies, 8.30 PM.
Friday—Softball, 7.15 PM.
Sunday—Supper dance, 7.45 PM.

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BOURNEMOUTH, Aug. 23—Program for the week at the Marsham Ct. Red Cross club here: Tuesday—Tennis, golf and horseback riding, 2 PM: dance, 8-11 PM.

Wedtesday—Horse show tournament, Mirimar, 2 PM: funvies, 9 PM.

Thursday—Trip through Russell-Cotes Art Gallery, 2 PM: dance, 8-11 PM.

Eriday—Bicycle and swimming trip, Sandbanks, 2 PM: ARC variety show, 10 PM.

Saturday—Baseball, 2.30 PM; dance, 8-11.30 PM.

Sunday—Bicycle, picnic and boating, Wimborne.

Sunday—Bicycle, picnic and boating, Wimborne, 11 AM; bridge and ping-pong tournament, 9.30 PM.

Washing fon
Program for the week at the Washington club,
6 Curzon St., London, W1
Wednesday—"Laz." the cartoonist, lounge,
2.30-6 PM; beginners' conversational French class,
7-9 PM: public speaking and diction class, 9-11
PM; checker matches, Washington versus London
Taxi Drivers' Association, 8 PM.
Thursday—Softball, Green Park, Washington
versus Rainbow, 7 PM; beginners' conversational
German class, 7-9 PM; shorthand dictation practice, 7-9 PM; "Mail Call" radio program, lounge,
9.25 PM; variety show, 10.30 PM.
Friday—"Laz." the cartoonist, lounge, 2.30-6
PM; shorthand dictation practice, 7-9 PM; movie,
8.30 PM,
Satorday—Dance, cafeteria, 8.30-11 PM.
Sunday—Outing, 9.30 AM.

'Colonel Eternal' Features

comedy, has its premiere at the American Red Cross Mount Pleasant club here Wednesday, Sept. 15, Pvt. Frank Fiorellio, of Philadelphia, will play the part of an attractive "blonde bomb-shell."

Mostyn

Movies will be shown at the Red Cross Mostyn club. 17 Portman St., London, W1, today at 6.15 and 8.15 PM. Program for the week: Wednesday—Horseback riding, 5.45 PM: Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut state meetings, 7.15 PM: glee club rehearsal, 7.30 PM. Thursday—Conversational French class, 6.30 PM: Washington and Oregon reunion dinner, 7.15 PM. Saturday—Dance, 8-11 PM. Sunday—Outing, 11.30 AM; tea, 4 PM.

Washington

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23—Secretary of the Interior Harold lekes restored to private ownership today the coal mines taken over by the government after last May's strike.

What effect the reversion to private ownership will have upon the truce under which the workers are manning the mines is not yet evident. In ending the third strike of the United Mine Workers, John L. Lewis, leader of the strikers, declared that his union would work until Oct. 31 only if the government retained control of the mines. of the mines.

The mines were taken over by President Roosevelt's order after more than 530,000

workers went on strike for a rise in pay of two dollars a day.

Ickes said that production in some of the mines handed back had been interrupted by a "work stoppage," but he did not elaborate on the point. did not elaborate on the point.

5,000 Murders in Chicago

CHICAGO, Aug. 23 (UP)—More than 5,000 murders have been committed in this city during the last 18 years, according to an announcement of the Chicago Crime Commission. Only one out of every eight murders was a gangster killing.

Beer Consumption Soars

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23 (UP)— America is drinking more beer than ever America is drinking more beer than ever before, but good beer is becoming harder to buy. The War Food Administration, the Office of Price Administration and the Office of Defense Transportation in a joint statement pointed out that the shortage was caused by the increased con-sumption of beer.

Vets Work in Factory

DETROIT, Aug. 23—Working on the production lines of the Hudson Motor Co. here are honorably discharged veterans of the American armed forces from almost every battlefront and major naval engagement. They are the servicemen who were sent home because of wounds or for being over-age.

Douglas Plant's 2,000th

LONG BEACH, Cal., Aug. 23 (UP)— The Douglas Aircraft Company proudly 2,000th mintary cargo and troop trans-port plane. Production daily now equals a week's output a few months ago, the company stated.

Eighth Air Support Gets New'Drome for Mediums

AN EIGHTH AIR SUPPORT STATION, Aug. 23—Another field for American B26 medium bombers to use in raiding Europe was turned over to Eighth Air Support Command by the RAF at

noon today.

Sqdn. Ldr. Wellesley Fitzroy Somerset and Flt./Lt Walker S. Dyer made the presentation to Maj. Henry D. Allen, of Jackson, Miss., while RAF and USAAF personnel stood at attention and the American flag was substituted for the RAF flag. Formations of American medium bombers flew overhead during

medium bombers flew overhead during the presentation.

Members of Maj, Allen's staff present were: Maj, Thomas Walker, Providence, R.I., and Capts. Robert Mulligan, Cap-lan, Ill.; William MacStallworth, Meri-dian, Miss.; Emmett P. Allen, Mt. Olive, Miss.; William Polson, Meridian, Miss., and Joseph Saunders, Lexington, Ky.

U.S. Cannot Spare Food

WASHINGTON, Aug. 23 (AP)— Herbert H. Lehman, director of the Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation, has been notified by the War Food Adminisreation that it cannot set aside the food reserves asked by Lehman's office for future relief needs without cutting the civilian consumption of the United States or lend-lease shipments to Britain and

75 More ARC Aides Arrive

A contingent of 75 American Red Cross girls, the largest group to arrive in the ETO, is in London ready to go to work. Mostly staff assistants, they will go to Red Cross clubs, aero clubs, clubmobiles and hospitals.

By Milton Caniff

EXCELLENCY! SINGLE INFORM OUR FIGHTER YANKEE AIRCRAFT AT COVER ... WE MUST 5,000 FEET! HE 15 NOW OPEN THE TRANSMITTING ON THE ATTACK IN SPITE OF YANKEE NO.6 FREQUENCY! THE DISTANCE!... WE HAVE JAMMED THAT THE BOMBERS CHANNEL-BUT PERHAPS WILL PROCEED! TOO LATE!

Terry and the Pirates







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