

Allies Edge Forward on All Africa Fronts

U.S. Bombers Strike 6th Blow at Rouen

RAF Blasts Berlin, Ruhr In 2 Nights

Yanks Encounter Heavy Opposition; One Fort, Four Escorts Lost

American heavy bombers struck their sixth blow at Rouen, Nazi communications center 70 miles northwest of Paris, in daylight yesterday, rounding out a weekend of Allied raids on targets from Berlin to the west of France.

The RAF dumped about 900 tons of high explosives and incendiaries on Berlin Saturday night in the heaviest raid of the war on the Reich capital. Nine planes were reported missing.

Friday night a strong RAF force blasted Duisberg and other targets in the industrial Ruhr Valley at a cost of four aircraft.

Throughout the weekend Allied fighters and light bombers punched away at chinks in the Nazi ground defenses across the northern periphery of Europe, supplementing the heavy bombers' destruction.

Weekend Punches

The American raid on Rouen, which scored results officially listed as "good" at a cost of one bomber and four of the escorting Allied fighters, followed the RAF's night-time cascade of bombs on Berlin.

The Air Ministry reported that the weight of bombs was twice that of the heaviest German raid on London; heavier, as a matter of fact, than those dropped in the RAF raid of Mar. 1 on the German capital. Large fires in the target area were reported by the last bombers home.

Forged Nazi ration cards were dropped over Berlin, German radio reported last night. "Those Berlin citizens who find the cards are requested to hand them over to the police," an official bulletin declared. "Use of them will be considered sabotage."

In their daylight blow yesterday the Eighth Air Force heavies ran into strong fighter opposition. The number of enemy planes shot down was not revealed, pending intelligence surveys.

Some Soft, Some Tough

Rouen, which is some 35 miles due south of the Channel port of Dieppe, last was hit by American bombers Mar. 12, when Forts and Libs raided without loss. Four days before that, Rouen and Rennes, also a French railway center, were hit at a cost of four bombers.

Although one bomber group completed its mission yesterday without firing a gun, most of the American planes had to fight their way through intense enemy fighter opposition. One swarm of about 30 Luftwaffe fighters followed a bomber group back from the target to within sight of the English coast.

Maj. Thomas K. McGehee, of Greenville, Ala., said that when the group approached the French coast the overcast was heavy and visibility continuously bad. They got their bombs off when they found a hole over the target.

Intensity of the aerial battles varied with the groups.

Lt. Col. Charles E. Marion, of Detroit, Mich., who led his group, described the raid as "The softest touch yet."

His leading Fortress did not fire a single shot at an enemy fighter, because they did not approach within range. Crews of Col. Marion's group reported good bombing results and told how their bombs had been followed by several large explosions with resultant fires. They believe they hit

Report Himmler Ordered Germany in State of Siege

Heinrich Himmler, chief of the German Gestapo, has ordered "a state of siege in Germany," Moscow radio reported last night quoting reports from Geneva.

All street traffic after 11 PM has been prohibited. Military courts will deal with many cases previously tried by ordinary courts, in particular, cases of breakdown in industry, the report said.

According to well informed sources, Himmler's order was due to "growth of numerous cases of violation of ARP wrecking activities in Germany and regulations."

No Train Today—Yanks Take Maknassy



U.S. infantrymen cautiously approach the deserted railway station at Maknassy, central Tunisia, captured a week ago by American columns which today have moved ten miles east of the town to the coastal plain protecting Rommel's only line of retreat from the south. This picture was radioed to the OWI, London, from Algiers

Wave of Revolt Spreads Anew Over Continent

'Ghost Army' of 'Chutists' Reported in Norway; Violence Increases

A new wave of resistance, which appeared to be the most widespread and troublesome yet encountered by the Germans, was reported last night to be sweeping Europe.

In Norway a "ghost army" of 500 former Norwegian officers and British secret service agents, supposedly landed by parachutes in inaccessible parts of the country, was organizing Norwegians for sabotage and preparing for a general uprising to coincide with an expected Allied landing on the continent, according to a Stockholm newspaper report.

In Yugoslavia, at the opposite end of Hitler's "new order" Europe, Gen. Mihailovitch's Chetnik guerrillas were reported raising sufficient trouble to keep five Axis divisions engaged.

In France, Holland, Belgium and Poland there were also renewed waves of violence and sabotage.

Stockholm newspaper accounts of the "ghost army" said that its members had been dropped by Allied planes into Norway throughout the winter. Gestapo agents, the reports said, had uncovered

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Pioneers of U.S. Bombing Raids On Nazis Awarded Silver Stars

BOMBER COMMAND HQ, Mar. 28—Seven men who pioneered in American bombing of Germany and German-held Europe have been awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in combat against the enemy.

In exposed positions, one wing commander and six group leaders took their formations through flak and fighter opposition on operational flights which gave the rapidly-expanding USAAF the actual battle-experience it needed, the citation accompanying their decorations said.

The awards were pinned on the recipients by Lt. Gen. Frank M. Andrews, Commanding General, ETO.

Presented to Gen. Andrews by Maj. Gen. Ira C. Eaker, commanding general of the Eighth Air Force, the seven officers heard their citations read by Brig. Gen. Newton Longfellow, commanding general of Bomber Command.

The officers were: Brig. Gen. James Pratt Hodges and Col. James H. Wallace,

both of Washington; Col. Curtis E. LeMay, Columbus, Ohio; Col. Stanley Wray, Mutice, Ind.; Col. Edward J. Timberlake, San Antonio, Tex.; Lt. Col. Charles E. Marion, Detroit; and Lt. Col. Claude E. Putnam Jr., Jacksboro, Tex.

The citation for Gen. Hodges read in part: "For gallantry in action against an armed enemy of the United States. Gen. Hodges personally led his bombardment wing on several combat missions over enemy-occupied Continental Europe. . . . Directing each of these missions against highly important military objectives through determined resistance by enemy fighter airplanes and heavy concentrations of anti-aircraft fire with complete disregard for his own safety, Gen. Hodges displayed superior leadership and great courage."

For the six group commanders, the

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U.S. Troops Brave Close Fire Two Days in Shallow Foxholes

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WITH THE AMERICAN FORCES, near El Guettar, Mar. 28 (delayed)—Trapped in fox-holes only eight inches deep for two days while German guns and snipers gave them an almost unbelievable pounding, 183 Americans who took a ridge near El Guettar were finally driven back by an overpowering night infantry attack. The story of the action was told today by some of the 133 who escaped.

Only one company was involved, and the ridge, taken and then lost, was only 300 yards long, but the men will never forget the two days they spent there.

The ridge was the most forward position at El Guettar. It was captured by the 183 Americans at dawn Tuesday in a quick attack which drove the Germans back but still left them in possession of dominating artillery and sniping positions on a nearby height.

Under heavy shell-fire the Americans dug what fox-holes they could, which were only about eight inches deep; then found themselves cut off from the main force of Allied tanks and artillery.

Some of the men were never able to raise their heads from the shallow ditches during the entire stand because shells were whizzing six inches over their heads and the snipers shot at anybody daring to look up.

During the German counter-attack against the main Allied forces on Tuesday, German tanks rolled past the Americans on the ridge, and the doughboys had to lie there and watch the enemy's ammunition being hauled up in captured American lorries, possibly taken weeks ago in

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Russians Probe Smolensk Line

On Central Front Soviets Dig In to Hold New Positions

MOSCOW, Mar. 28 (UP)—Russian scouts probed the heavily fortified line defending the German Yartsevo-Smolensk position today while Soviet armies on the central front dug in to hold positions already won.

Here the Germans have been forced back to their main line of defense in many sectors, but are still hanging on to some advanced strong points.

With these still in their hands, the Germans are launching strong counter-attacks with both air and tank support. The latest reports reaching Moscow say that the Nazis are being forced to abandon some of these positions because of the threat of being encircled.

The Spring thaw will be the dominating factor in operations on this front for several weeks to come.

It is therefore doubtful whether the Russians will undertake an assault on the main enemy defense line now or wait for the ground to harden.

Large units of German heavy and medium bombers and fighters which recently arrived from the west have gone into action in the battle for the crossings of the northern Donetz. Their arrival has failed to wrest air superiority from the Russians.

Russian fighters are constantly forcing the German bombers to fly high, preventing any accurate bombing or strafing of troops. Combined with strong anti-aircraft fire, this effective fighter defense has forced the Germans to change their tactics.

Tunisia Decision Due This Week

STOCKHOLM, Mar. 28 (UP)—A decision may be reached this week in the fighting in North Africa, the German-controlled Scandinavian Telegraph Bureau said today, quoting Berlin military sources, admitting surprise at the speed with which Gen. Montgomery had regrouped his forces.

U.S. Forces Go 20 Miles To Fondouk

Eighth Army Improves Its Positions; French In South Advance

Five Allied forces were attacking the Germans and Italians in Tunisia yesterday, pounding them along the whole front from the hills overlooking the Mediterranean, west of Bizerta, to the Mareth Line.

American troops, operating in Central Tunisia, took Fondouk, 25 miles southwest of Kairouan, on Saturday, Allied headquarters announced last night.

One part of Lt. Gen. Bernard Montgomery's Eighth Army had reached the outskirts of El Hamma, 16 miles west of the Nazi supply base of Gabes. Last night fierce fighting was going on in this area.

Far to the south, another Eighth Army group attacked German troops at the southern end of the Mareth Line and forced them back to new positions after taking many prisoners.

20-Mile Advance

The American attack on Fondouk was made Saturday night after a march of 20 miles in one day from Hadjeb el Aioun, junction of the roads from Gafsa and Sbeitla. The Gafsa-Maknassy sector of the American front, further south, was quiet.

American troops moved into Fondouk after a 20-mile push from Hadjeb el Aioun, where the road from Gafsa meets the Sbeitla-Kairouan road.

They covered those 20 miles in one day in a hot sun and scorching winds, forming one of the three points stabbing at Rommel in central and southern Tunisia. Where enemy resistance was encountered, the troops deployed in the fields and, after a brief hand-to-hand battle, forced the enemy back.

Strategic Position

East of Fondouk they could see the Jebel el Jedri, possession of which would give the Americans a foothold on the Grand Dorsal, from which they withdrew Feb. 14. Eighteen miles beyond the Jebel is Kairouan, the holy city of Moslem Tunisia, less than 40 miles from the sea at Susa, and around Kairouan are a number of airdromes from which German dive-bombers have operated against the Americans.

Gen. LeClerc's Fighting French Army from Chad, operating on the flank of the Eighth Army, has captured several important points.

All the week-end operations seemed to be of a preparatory nature, a fighting for position from which the Allies can launch one final knockout blow against the Axis in Africa.

Rommel is apparently expecting just that. Yesterday, German-controlled Paris radio said that a huge concentration of Allied forces in Tunisia seemed to herald a new offensive. There was no Allied confirmation of the Paris report.

In the northern part of the Tunisian front, the First Army has made a successful attack in the Jebel Abiod area, west of Bizerta.

Eighth Army control of El Hamma meant that the western part of the Gabes gap was probably untenable for the Ger-

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Africa Convoy Licks U-Boats

LISBON, Mar. 28 (UP)—Reports that four Axis U-boats were sunk for the loss of only one Allied cargo boat when a large American-British convoy proceeding to North Africa was attacked for two days by a big formation of U-boats, were circulating in shipping circles here yesterday.

The battle took place four days ago, the reports state.

The Allied convoys going to North Africa, the reports said, used new tactics against the U-boats with considerable success. Instead of dispersing as in the past they now join closely together with their escorting warships around them. As a result many U-boats have been sunk and Allied shipping losses have been lighter.

The Lisbon reports said that many of the convoys have fought fierce battles with U-boats which attack in large formation.

Allies Advance On All Fronts In North Africa

U.S. Troops in Fondouk, Strategic Position in March to Coast

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mans. The town was occupied by tanks and infantrymen who swept around the Matmata Mountains at the beginning of the campaign. For several days, while Allied headquarters was silent about their movements, they have been locked in a bitter struggle for possession of El Hamma.

The final attack was made at 8.30 PM Saturday after British artillery had given the German positions a heavy pounding. Infantry surged forward, behind a barrage, in an advance which took them to the outskirts of the town. Fighting is still going on and the situation is not yet entirely clear, but it appeared last night that the Eighth Army had established superiority in the sector.

Another Eighth Army force, which had been hacking away at German Mareh Line positions southwest of the coast road, where Rommel successfully counter-attacked last week, opened a violent attack and pushed the Germans back into their own defense lines.

Fondouk, the town captured by the Americans, is at the foot of the eastern rim of the Ousseltia Valley, scene of bitter fighting earlier in the Tunisian winter campaign.

Weather conditions have turned bad again over much of the front and have greatly hampered air activity. Despite the difficulties, air attacks are being maintained whenever possible and Cairo communicues yesterday claimed successes.

Using 'Block-Busters'

Bombers of the RAF Western Desert Air Striking Force are using 4,000-pound "block-buster" bombs—designed for the raids on Germany—Cairo revealed. One pilot told of dropping one of the huge bombs on a German camp.

"The bombs lit up the whole countryside and the camp just ceased to exist. The earth swallowed up everything on the ground," he said.

Medium bombers are making nightly runs over the German positions, whenever the weather allows, with pilots working on such a close schedule that they snatch hot meals between raids.

Fighting French camel corps troops, among the most picturesque in the African theater, have taken Sabria and Douz, both south of Shott Jerid, Algiers radio reported yesterday. Douz is a junction of many desert roads, one of which leads east for 50 miles to Matmata and another north to the oasis of Kebili. From Kebili another track leads to El Hamma, which Eighth Army men had reached yesterday.

The whole series of Allied successes, American, British and French, is having its effect on German hopes of being able to salvage anything out of the African venture.

A pessimistic note is creeping into Berlin broadcasts, and the German radio audience is, apparently, being prepared for bad news from Africa. Yesterday the German radio, admitting withdrawals in the north and before American troops in the Maknassy area, explained it by saying:

"The invasion army is considerably superior, both in numbers and arms."

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Commands New Yorkers



Maj. Gen. Terry Allen, leader of the all New York division now operating with the 5th Army in Central Tunisia

Meat Rationing Begins in U.S.

Meatless Sunday Heralds Spread of 'Points' To Most Foods

NEW YORK, Mar. 28—Sunday dinner was a meatless meal for most Americans today—the first since the days of the last war. Unrationed until tomorrow, meat had all but vanished from retail butcher shops when Mrs. America did her weekend shopping yesterday and Friday.

There were two causes: First, with rationing in prospect, buyers had cleaned out retailers' stocks early in the week. Second and more important, while price ceilings control the level at which retailers may sell meat, there is no limit yet on the price of beef, cattle, and farmers were asking more for beef on the hoof than butchers could ask for the dressed cuts.

Broad Rationing Today

The Monday zero hour on meat rationing also applies to a huge segment of other food supplies.

From tomorrow on, most foodstuffs will have not only a cash, but a point value. Each person will be entitled to 16 points a week, and points for articles purchased will be deducted from the family's ration cards. Item for item, American rations will be slightly larger than the British.

Assurance that America has plenty of food for its civilian population was given in a broadcast from Washington today by Price Administrator Prentiss Brown. On the basis of present estimates, the U.S. should produce about 17 billion pounds of meat this year for civilians alone, while the country's normal consumption is 16 and one-third billion pounds, he said.

The Office of Price Administration announced today that all dried and dehydrated foods had been temporarily lifted from the list of rationed foods. In addition, the points values of fruit and vegetable juices and dehydrated soups were lowered sharply.

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Forts Hit Wewak For Three Hours Blast Big Ship

All Planes Back After Raid, Called One of Greatest So Far in Pacific

ALLIED HQ, Southwest Pacific, Mar. 28 (UP)—In one of the greatest air attacks carried out in this theater so far, Flying Fortresses pounded Wewak, strong Jap base in New Guinea, for three hours, dropping some bombs as large as 2,000 pounds.

Altogether 19 tons of bombs were dropped on the airport, town and wharf area from a low altitude. Direct hits were scored on a 4,000-ton cargo vessel.

Despite heavy ack-ack fire, all planes returned.

Rabaul, big Jap base in New Britain, was raided similarly the day before.

8,000-Ton Ship Hit

A heavy bomber on reconnaissance near Bogia, New Guinea, sighted and attacked an 8,000-ton cargo vessel in the harbor yesterday, scoring a direct hit and two close misses, with 500-pound bombs.

Allied attack units, escorted by long-range fighters, bombed and strafed enemy installations near Malahang airdrome at Lae. Strong opposition was encountered from ack-ack positions.

Jap fighters and bombers attacked Buna, Oro Bay, New Guinea, and Merauke, Dutch New Guinea, causing little damage but no casualties.

Munda Attacked

U.S. Avenger bombers, escorted by Wildcat fighters operating from the Solomons, attacked Munda, on New Georgia Island, in the Solomons, twice, strafing a large in the lagoon, blowing up a supply dump besides starting big fires.

Five other Jap bases in the Solomons were attacked by Libs, Mitchells, Catalinas, Airacobras.

Jap Pillboxes Hold Out

WITH ALLIED FORCES, Burma, Mar. 28 (UP)—The heavily fortified Japanese pillboxes, which have blocked the British advance southward in the Mayu peninsula in western Burma for more than two months, continue to resist RAF attacks and close-range shelling.

These positions are apparently unscathed by bombing, and continue to hold out after the guns have pounded them from very short range. Mortars and grenades have similarly failed so far to dislodge the Japanese.

Awards - - -

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citation read by Gen. Longfellow was in part: "For gallantry in action against an armed enemy of the United States. Each commanding a heavy bombardment group, personally led the group against the most formidable resistance the enemy could interpose against daylight bombardment in Western Europe, which constitutes the strongest citadel of air defense the enemy has been capable of devising."

"The success of these few bombardment groups in pioneering this prelude to victory is testimony of the personal gallantry and valor of the commanders who, taking the most exposed positions at the head of their troops, repeatedly led them in combat against the enemy."

"The courage, coolness, airmanship and leadership displayed by these officers reflect the highest credit upon themselves and upon the armed forces of the United States."

Attending the ceremony were three other bomber group leaders, Brig. Gen. Haywood S. Hansell Jr., Washington; Brig. Gen. Frank A. Armstrong, Nashville, N.C., and Col. Leon Johnson, Savannah, Ga.

DSM for British Brigadier

CAMBERLEY, England, Mar. 28—Lt. Gen. Frank M. Andrews, commanding general ETO, on behalf of President Roosevelt presented the America Distinguished Service Medal to the widow of Brig. Vivian Dykes, former British secretary in Washington to the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

Brig. Dykes was killed on active service in January.

The citation, read by Col. Ralph D. Pulsifer, adjutant general ETO, in the presence of Mrs. Dykes and a family group, stated:

"As British secretary to the Combined Chiefs of Staff he made an outstanding contribution to the Allied cause and the war effort of the United States. His sympathetic understanding of American problems and aims, his broad knowledge and experience of British military and cabinet procedure, and his great organizational ability contributed in an important measure to the expeditious establishment of the organization of the Combined Chiefs of Staff on a sound basis."

Gen. Andrews, handing the medal to Mrs. Dykes, said, "I can add nothing to what the President has written except that I know Brig. Dykes was a most capable and gallant officer. It is a privilege to present this medal."

Free French Get Pair

A Free French naval vessel is credited with destroying one German aircraft and damaging another during enemy air attacks on a convoy escorted by the French ship, it was announced yesterday in London. The action took place Mar. 19 and 20 when the German four-engined FW Kuriers were hit.

First American to Bomb Berlin



Planet Photo

Maj. S. S. Bartlett, who dropped a 4,000 pound bomb from an RAF Lancaster on Berlin Saturday night, gets a light from his actress-wife Ellen Drew during a press conference in London following the raid.

Observer With RAF Is First USAAF Man to Bomb Berlin

Maj. Sy Bartlett, former Hollywood script writer, who flew to Berlin with the RAF Saturday night on a secret intelligence mission, is the first member of the American Air Force to bomb the German capital.

Over Berlin, Maj. Bartlett, who went on the raid as an official observer for the Eighth Air Force Bomber Command, pressed a bomb-release button which dumped a 4,000-pound block-buster on the target.

Last night Maj. Bartlett sat next to his actress wife, Ellen Drew, and told of the English sergeant who insisted that he press the button releasing the 4,000-pound "cookie" their Lancaster, "B for Beer," was carrying.

'Favorite Target'

"This is my favorite target, sir," the Major quoted the English sergeant bombardier. "If you miss Berlin, I'm going to throw you over after it without the aid of bombsight."

Maj. Bartlett said that visibility was poor until they got within 30 miles of Berlin.

"By the grace of some Anglo-American diety, or a superhuman meteorologist, fog cleared and we could see perfectly."

"We bombed at about '... ?M B for Beer was in the first hundred bombers and by the time we got there we could see a series of fires below us. They may have been dummies."

"When the planes in the formation ahead of us began dropping their bombs I have never seen a better and more concentrated series of bursts when they hit."

Flak Was Heavy

Maj. Bartlett said that although flak was heavy over Berlin, it was not as concentrated as in the Ruhr Valley, to which veteran RAF men refer as "Happy Valley." He said that there were a few night fighters in the air.

"The whole of Berlin vomited smoke and steel," he said. "We could still see the glow of the fires when we were 120 miles from the target."

He commented that at one point several flak bursts formed a pattern like a swastika, and one of the crew members commented that "it's a hell of a way to try and convert us."

Maj. Bartlett reported that engine trouble was their biggest worry on the trip, despite enemy flak. Before they reached the target, one engine in the starboard side cut out, and halfway home the inboard engine on the port side stopped cold.

He had high praise for the 31-year-old British pilot who brought the ship home safely, and put it down "as if it were a Piper Cub."

The major's wife, Ellen Drew, in England for a series of soldier entertainments, said that she did not know her husband was going on the raid.

"He never tells me anything," she said.

"I called Ellen and told her I wouldn't be home Saturday night," Maj. Bartlett said.

Although it was the Major's first taste of action in the war, he personally declared war on Germany in 1940, when he broke a Nazi attaché's nose after the German representative had heiled Hitler in Maj. Bartlett's presence in Hollywood.

Maj. Bartlett and Ellen Drew were married in August, 1941. The last job Maj. Bartlett did in Hollywood was a Bob Hope picture, "Treasure Chest," which has not been released. He also worked on "Road to Zanzibar."

Americans Hit Rouen 6th Time

Daylight Blow Follows Smash by RAF at Berlin

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an oil dump, and that some damage was done to a bridge and to small boats moored near by.

2/Lt. Roger F. Moran, of Hornell, N.Y., navigator of the Fortress "Madame Butterfly," described it as "a short flight—mighty cold but enemy opposition mighty hot."

1/Lt. Robert A. Saunders, of Youngstown, Ohio, pilot of the Fortress "Butch," said his crew had about seven encounters with enemy aircraft, "but we damaged only one."

"A rough but very satisfactory trip," was the comment of 1/Lt. James E. Hopkins, of Cayuga, Tex., a Fortress pilot. 1/Lt. Eugene J. Pollack, of New Orleans, Miss., a navigator flying his 21st mission, said he saw his bombs burst in the target area. "The Me109s and the FW190s were thick about us," he added.

"One big cluster of bombs hit on a group of engine sheds," said 1/Lt. John W. Beauchamp, a bombardier, of Coolidge, Ariz.

S/Sgt. Roy E. Smith, of Indianapolis, Ind., a ball-turret gunner, reported seeing flames from an explosion in the railway yards which appeared to follow a hit on the gasoline storage tanks. Smoke swirled upward nearly two miles above the target.

Got a Flamer

S/Sgt. John P. Quinlan, Yonkers, N.Y., a tail gunner on his 19th raid, said, "Two FWs peeled down toward the rear of our ship. I fired 200 rounds at the first one that came in. It went into a dive and burst into flames beneath us. The second one knocked both my guns out of commission."

After his ship landed, Quinlan found an unexploded 20mm. shell in the rear gun compartment.

"Hunk o' Junk," piloted by 1/Lt. Paul O'Neill, of Syracuse, N.Y., claimed two enemy aircraft destroyed.

2/Lt. Peter Branch, of Washington, a navigator, said, "The one I got was a fluke. He came in and flew formation with us. I poured 80 rounds into the insolent so-and-so and he was not long for this world. The tail gunner said he went down spinning."

The tail gunner was S/Sgt. Charles S. Kindle, of the Bronx, N.Y., who claimed the second enemy aircraft destroyed by "Hunk o' Junk."

German retaliation at Britain for the weekend raids was confined to sorties Saturday, when bombs were dropped on a southeastern town and one Nazi plane was shot down off the south coast. Yesterday, German reconnaissance bombers were over southeastern England.

Rebellion - - -

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information to the effect that a widespread military organization had been formed.

In spite of the strict precautionary measures being taken by the Germans, patriots in the vicinity of Oslo attacked the headquarters of a Hitler organization, and 14 Germans were reported to have been killed, including the chief of the unit.

In Belgium, guerrillas burned a warehouse containing German military supplies.

There were isolated acts of violence through France itself, although the German-controlled Paris radio sought to minimize them. Most serious is still the Haute Savoie uprising led by Gen. Armand Cartier. Paris radio said the Savoie incident was over and that there were no German troops in the area, but information reaching London said hundreds more youths were joining Cartier's forces in the mountains rather than submit to Hitler's slave-labor edicts.

Fighting French headquarters in London regarded the Savoie incident, and similar outbreaks elsewhere in France, as indicating that the country was ready for revolt the moment help came from England and the United States.

Five Units Raise £537 for Fund; Total at £19,160

Fighter, Bomber Groups, Infantry, Signals and MPs Contribute

Five contributions amounting to £537 over the weekend boosted The Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund to £19,160. One of the checks also included an additional £10 to furnish clothes for the unit's "foster child," while another outfit promised to send money for "music lessons."

A check for £110 from the 14th Squadron, 14th Fighter Group, Eighth Air Force, will provide for the unit's second orphan. The extra £10 will buy clothes for the orphans. The money was sent by Capt. Youngworth.

A five- to six-year-old girl is sponsored by the 14th MP Co. of the Eighth Air Force Fighter Command. The money was collected from officers and men of the unit and turned over by Sgt. A. D. Thiltgen.

To Aid Jewish Child

From officers and men of Jewish faith in the 14th Infantry, 14th Division, came £127 to sponsor a Jewish orphan, either sex. The campaign to raise the money was handled by Chaplains James R. McAllister and Robert H. Humphreys, 1/Lt. David Levey and Pfc A. A. Reich. The men also intend to start another drive to aid another orphan.

The 14th Signal Depot Co. needed only two days to raise £122, forwarded £100 to the fund and turned the balance over to another company to aid its war orphan drive.

1/Sgt. Robert H. Wills, who forwarded the money with a request to aid a blonde between four and six, said his unit plans to ask for contributions each pay day with the intention of sponsoring another orphan or furnish funds for its adopted niece's music lessons.

Collected in Two Days

"We had just arrived in the ETO," Sgt. Wills said, "and The Stars and Stripes had not caught up with us yet. We were not informed of the War Orphan Fund until another company asked us to help it with their drive. In two days we collected £122. So we sponsored our own orphan and turned the rest over to the other unit."

Another check for £100, from the 14th Bomb Squadron, 14th Bomb Group, Eighth Air Force, came with a letter asking to sponsor a brown-eyed brunette. Voluntary contributions accounted for £83, while the remaining £17 was collected in a "beef can." Every time a man made a squawk he had to kick in.

Nazaire Docks Still Not Fixed

The great drydocks at St. Nazaire are still useless a year after the commando raid which completely destroyed them on the night of Mar. 27-28, 1942, it has been learned in London.

In a broadcast to the United States from England, an American air force officer, now serving with Combined Operations Command, told Americans that the raid which looked like a "desperate enterprise" at the time has proved to be one of the "shrewdest blows dealt the enemy in the Battle of the Atlantic."

"The purpose of the St. Nazaire commando raid was to wreck the Forme Ecluse," the American officer said, "the largest drydock on the Atlantic seaboard of Europe available to the Germans and the only one capable of holding the... Tirpitz."

The gates of the St. Nazaire drydock were rammed by the dynamite-laden bow of an old American destroyer, the Buchanan, which the Royal Navy acquired in the 50-destroyer deal and renamed the Campbelltown. Commando units wrecked shore installations.

The American air force officer told America that pictures taken a month ago showed the wreck of the Campbelltown at the bottom of the drydock and a mass of sand where the gates to the dock once were.

English Bishop to Speak At Air Depot Headquarters

HQ.—TH AIR DEPOT GROUP, Mar. 28—Dr. Michael B. Furse, Bishop of St. Albans, eight Church of England clergymen and a choir of 40 voices from the Cardington RAF station will take part in a program "Religion in England," here Tuesday night.

Wednesday evening, The Rev. John F. Cox, RAF chaplain, will discuss "Religion in the British Forces," and Thursday The Rev. Furman E. Jordan, Eighth Air Force executive chaplain, will speak on "Religion in the American Forces." The programs will be in the Service Club, with lectures at 7.15 PM, preceded by singing and concerts.

Civil Defense Shows

BELFAST, Mar. 28—Civil Defense organization entertainers of Belfast will appear before American troops at their camps in Northern Ireland, according to arrangements made by Capt. D. R. Kinzie, of Middleboro, Mass., Special Service officer. Capt. Kinzie hopes to follow up the Civil Defense entertainment with programs from Lockheed Overseas Corporation.

Village Smithy Teaches GI Forging

Plumbers, Too, Pals Can't Forget Tools On Army Time

By Charles W. White
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A RAILWAY FOUNDRY, England, Mar. 28—There isn't a spreading chestnut tree for a couple of miles, but the village smithy here is doing all right in teaching a couple of American soldiers to swing hammer against white hot steel on the anvil.

The Yanks, who are Army plumbers as well as smiths, are Cpl. Wilbur Caid, of Leslie, Ark., and Cpl. Frank Whalley, of Philadelphia. Their unit calls them "the interchangeable chums."

Whalley was a plumber in civilian life; he's still a plumber, fitting up Army trains.

Farmer to Plumber

Caid was a farmer. In the army he learned blacksmithing and now, although the two have worked in most of the shops of this big plant, they're side by side again fitting brakes on cars under one roof. For Whalley doesn't always plumb, nor does Caid always swing the anvil chorus. Each can help the other at his job.

They are, in fact, interchangeable.

On a plumbing repair job in a pharmacy car, Caid, the village smithy, demonstrated his strength holding up a heavy sink, while Whalley applied monkey wrench and spanner underneath. A half-hour later, in the roaring forge shop, Caid, the blacksmith, held a cherry-red chain link over the anvil while Whalley, now a blacksmith too, wielded the 20-pound hammer.

Do they know their jobs?

Ask R. E. Hyde, Wiltshire, British civilian worker, who taught Caid the finer points of forge work in England. Or



In a railway foundry in England, Cpl. Wilbur Caid, of Leslie, Ark., and Cpl. Frank Whalley, of Philadelphia, stand over the anvil while William Hext, the village smithy, tells the finer points on forge work.

William Hext, Wiltshire, another civilian friend, who stood watching Caid.

"Make him look nice, that lad," Hext told the photographer in broad Wiltshire accents—"Oy loik 'em. 'Ee's a good chap on 'e fives, too!"

As for plumber-blacksmith-carpenter Whalley, one only needs to watch him work, or listen to his wry comments, to know he's a plumber born and bred.

"One nice thing in this railway shop," he said. "It's warm. Back in the States in February or March a plumber was always in some damn cold kitchen, under the sink, fixing up frozen pipes with his nose running."

He has, however, one small complaint. "No use forgettin' your tools on this job. There just ain't no such thing as overtime."

Last Specialists Are Going Home

Nine Will Get Discharge From Corps; Served With Signals

SOS HQ, England, Mar. 28—One sergeant and eight corporals—civilians in spite of the rank they have and the GI uniforms they wear—are awaiting orders back to America to be discharged from the Army Specialists Corps.

On duty with Signal Corps troops here, the nine non-coms are the last of what was, at one time, an important unit in the European Theater of Operations.

They, and other skilled technicians from civil life, were recruited early in the war to perform technical tasks for which their civilian experience had fitted them, thus freeing other men for service with combat units. All had been given 3A draft classifications as physically unfit for active service.

Their status was that of Civil Service employees of the War Department, although they were subject to military discipline and followed strict Army routine.

Among those who held an impromptu ceremony when they learned they were slated for shipment home, are:

Sgt. David J. Forde, Philadelphia; Cpls. James L. Saunders, Butler, Ga.; Joe S. Pugh, Austin, Tex.; Julius Zibillian, Covington, Ky.; Ralph L. Maurath, Cincinnati, Ohio; J. W. Bryan, Berwyn, Md., and Carleton S. Burrell, Sunbury, Ohio.

Cubed Spam, Ketchup, Beans Is Good Recipe

A USAAF SUPPLY DEPOT, Mar. 28—"Cubed spam, beans and ketchup, in whatever proportions are handy."

That is a recipe with which mess sergeant, T/4 Alfred Zakrzewski, of Buffalo, has modest success.

It's no steak dinner, but what can you expect from beans, spam and ketchup?

American Officers Dance With England's Princess

WINDSOR, Mar. 28—Princess Elizabeth, heir to Britain's throne, danced with young American officers until 4 AM at a Windsor Palace party—and observers said she held her own with the jitterbugs without trouble. Her 12-year-old sister, Princess Margaret Rose, also danced, as did King George and Queen Elizabeth.

"Everybody seemed to be having as good a time as a bunch of east end kids at a neighborhood party," one of the guests said.

Technicians' Dance

BELFAST, Mar. 28—American technicians of Lockheed Overseas Corporation will sponsor a dance at Ulster Hall here Tuesday night. Two orchestras will play—an Irish band and the technicians' own musicians, the "Jive Bombers," directed by Ray Palmer, of Washington.

Name Wanted—No Monkey Business



The Hans Crescent Club, London, needs a name for its pet monkey shown above with Pfc Thomas R. Joha, of Milwaukee. The monk actually has a name of sort, "Jimmy" and "Jacko," but club officials say that isn't good enough and want a better one. Send your choice to The Stars and Stripes, or—if you're in London—a suggestion box is ready at the Hans Crescent Club, Knightsbridge. The contest ends Apr. 17.

3 Stage Shows Scheduled for Hans Crescent

April Fool Dances, Parties Planned at Red Cross Clubs Here

Three stage shows are scheduled at London's Hans Crescent Red Cross club this week—"Petticoat Fever," the Special Service show, "Blitz and Pieces" and "Stars in Battledress," two variety shows by professional entertainers.

"Petticoat Fever" has a cast of American soldiers and professional actresses and will be shown at 9.30 PM Tuesday. The variety shows will be presented on Friday and Saturday nights.

The club's regular tours of London will be held every day, with a special tour through Petticoat Lane, famous market district, Sunday morning.

On Monday try-outs for the club pool and billiard teams will be held at 2 PM. Try-outs for the golf team will be held at 2 PM Tuesday. Dick Austin, amateur golfer from Lynn, Mass., will give golf lessons at 8 PM Wednesday.

Dances will be held Saturday night at 7.30 and 3.30 Sunday afternoon.

Mostyn: Texans Meet Monday

An "April Fool's" dance Thursday at 8.30 PM will be the leading attraction of the week at the Mostyn club. "State" nights will be continued with Texans meeting tonight, Louisianans on Wednesday and the Illini on Thursday.

A lecture on Russia by H. Levitt will be given at 8.15 PM Monday, followed by a dancing class at 9 PM. Dances will be held at 8 PM Saturday and at 4 PM Sunday.

Rainbow Corner: New Dance Band

A new soldier band, "The Southerners," will play in London for the first time at a dance at the Rainbow Corner club at 7 PM Friday. Cpl. Barnard and his orchestra will play for the dance held at 7.30 Sunday night.

On Saturday, movies will be shown in the Rainbow lounge from 2.30 to 10 PM.

Milestone: Three Recorded Concerts

The Milestone club will present recorded concerts in the Panel room three nights this week—Tuesday, Wednesday and Sunday.

The regular Saturday night feature, the "Milestone Varieties," will be held from 11.30 to 12 PM. A dance will be held in the Panel room at 7.30 PM Friday.

Charles: Dances Feature Week

The American Red Cross Charles club will have Francis Day, radio and recording artist, and the Coconut Grove rumba band entertaining at a dinner, dance and cabaret Thursday evening. On Saturday night, at another dinner dance, Texans will be the guests of honor.

The London Polish string quartet will play at the club at 8.30 PM Monday and a table tennis tournament will be held Wednesday night.

Glasgow: Dinner For Tour Guide

EDINBURGH, Mar. 28—A testimonial dinner in honor of George Robertson is scheduled at the Red Cross Club Tuesday night.

Since last May the 70-year-old native of the city has taken 2,000 American soldiers on tours of Edinburgh.

Double Daylight Time In Effect Next Sunday

Double daylight time, called "Summer time" in England, goes into effect next Sunday.

On May 2 the blackout limits will be changed from one half-hour after sunset and one half-hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise for Scotland and the northern counties and to three-quarters of an hour after sunset to three-quarters of an hour before sunrise in the rest of England and in Wales.

U.S. Marine Will Marry British Actress Sunday

The marriage of Sgt. Francis Connolly, 25, U.S. Marine from Arlington, Mass., and Miss Tony Lupino, British stage and screen star, will take place next Sunday at the Church of Our Lady, Lisson Grove, London, NW8, at 3 PM. The couple will go from the church to the bride's home, 33 St. John's Wood Road, London.

Sgt. Connolly is attached to the office of Adm. Harold R. Stark, commander of U.S. Naval Forces in Europe.

'Union Jack' Begins Publishing

ALGIERS, Mar. 28—The North African edition of The Stars and Stripes welcomed in an editorial yesterday The Union Jack, British military paper whose first edition came off the press last week.

Invite American Soldiers To Visit British Farms

Farmers serving in the ETO were invited yesterday to attend meetings of young British farmers and to visit their farms by Maj. M. Hiles, secretary of the National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs.

Former 4-H club members and ex-members of the Future Farmers of America are especially invited by the British farm group.

Soldiers interested in meeting British farmers may write to The Stars and Stripes, endorsing their letters "Farmer" and they will be turned over to Maj. Hiles.

Help Wanted Department

This department has requests for the APOs of the following service men. Can anyone help? Otto Kuhs, Air Force; Bill Sinkervich, Butler, Pa.; Lt. Henry Leiber, Baltimore; Lt. John A. Castle, Air Force; S/Sgt. John F. Hill, Valhalla, N.Y.; Cpl. Anthony F. Kazmerski, Scranton, Pa.; Pvt. Louis Allison, Johnstown, Pa.; Lt. Leroy Smith; T/Sgt. Fred Davidson; Edwin L. Henry, Oklahoma City; Felix Weinberg, Baltimore; Daird Goldberg, Monticello, N.Y.; James Sparks, Hanford, Cal.; John Worley, Hanford, Cal., and Dan Ramsey, Beaufree, W. Va.

St. Johns, Toledo Gain Garden Invitation Finals

Redmen Rout Rams, 69-43; Boykoff Stars

Closing Surge by Toledo Edges W and J, 46-39

NEW YORK, Mar. 28—A record crowd of 18,419 fans watched fourth-ranked Toledo University eliminate eighth-seeded Washington and Jefferson, 46-39, on a five-point splurge by Center Davage Minor in the final two minutes of play in the first game of the National Invitation Tournament semi-final at Madison Square Garden. In the second game, second-seeded St. Johns took sixth-seeded Fordham, 69-43, and will meet Toledo in the finals at the Garden tomorrow.

In the opening game, Toledo took an early lead, but Forward Harry Zollers scored three field goals and counted three fouls to give the Pennsylvanians a half-time lead of 24-18. Toledo wasted no time tying the score in the second half, with Guard Dallas Zuber, Forward Charles Harmon and Jim Glass, substitute center, sinking successive baskets. The Presidents' Center Pierre Hartman and Guard Paul Konyha put the Presidents in front again, but Zuber brought Toledo within two points of another tie with a pair of field goals and a foul shot.

An Easy Second Half

Then Minor, Toledo's sensational colored star center, who had been held for three points in the first half and kept from the game in the first 11 minutes of the second half after committing three personal fouls, re-entered the game with a pair of baskets and a foul.

Zuber took the game's scoring honors with 18 points, while Konyha was high man for the losers with ten.

In the second game, St. Johns' big Center Harry Boykoff enjoyed another of his devastating nights and scored 22 points to lead his mates to a fairly easy victory over the Rams. The Rams made a fight on almost even terms of the first 15 minutes in a struggle in which the lead changed hands five times, but the Redmen swung into high gear and led at the half-time, 35-22. St. Johns romped through an easy second half, scoring almost at will.

The Redmen's victory settled the hot dispute concerning which is the best New York metropolitan five.

Cowboys Beat Texas, 58-54

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Mar. 28—The Cowboys of Wyoming, Rocky Mountain collegiate basketball champions, downed the fighting Longhorns of Texas, 58-54, in the finals of the Western National Collegiate AA tournament staged here. The Cowboys will meet Georgetown, Eastern NCAA champ, at Madison Square Garden, New York, on Tuesday for national honors.

The Oklahoma Sooners, displaying a heady brand of basketball, beat Washington, Pacific Coast champions, 48-43, to take third place in the tournament.

Texas took a 21-9 lead during the first nine minutes of play, but Wyoming crept up to trail by only six points at half time. Finally, after the seven-minute mark of the second half, Floyd Volker hit from the floor to give the Cowboys a lead of 37-36 and kept going on to win.

Texas Forward John Hargis scored a sensational total of 29 points, which, added to the 30 points he had collected against Washington the night before, smashed by 16 points the two-game record for NCAA playoffs set by Jim Pollard of Stanford, last year. Wyoming Captain Kenny Sailors sparked his mates with 16 points.

In the opening round battles, Wyoming came through, as expected, polishing off Oklahoma in a tight squeeze, 53-50, but Texas' victory over Washington's Huskies, 59-55, was a distinct upset. Roy Cox, 17-year-old substitute, provided Texas' winning margin.

Ohio State Swimmers Set New Record of 81 Points

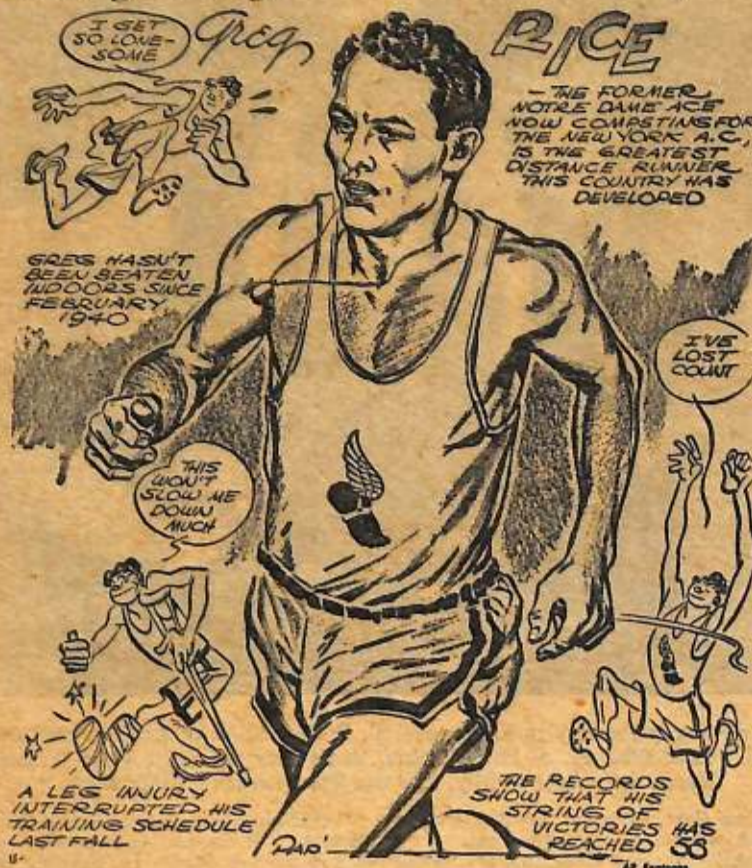
COLUMBUS, Ohio, Mar. 28—Ohio State University's swimming team, led by Hawaiian stars Bill Smith and Keo Nakama, captured the National Collegiate AA swimming meet, taking 81 of a possible 204 points to set a new NCAA meet record for total points.

Northwestern University Freshman Henry Kozlowski, Polish-American, who expects to enter the U.S. Army ski-troops within three weeks, turned in the outstanding performance with a dazzling world record in the 50-yard free-style in a time of 22.1 seconds. This slashed five-tenths seconds from the world record set by Duke Kahanamoku, of Hawaii, in 1923 and matched by Peter Fick in '34.

Hershey Wins Over Bisons
HERSHEY, Pa., Mar. 28—The Hershey Bears scored a 5-2 victory over the Buffalo Bisons to annex their third win against three defeats in the American Hockey League playoffs.

Rolling Along

By Pap



British Booters Blank All Stars

Roll Up 11-0 Score in Inter-Allied Cup Semi-Final

SOUTHAMPTON, Mar. 28—A powerful British Army soccer eleven took the commander's seat in its game with the American All-Star soccer squad, meting out an 11-0 defeat for its second straight victory in the Inter-Allied Cup tournament here before 8,000 fans.

The British team, composed of outstanding professional players of the British Isles, was too much of a match for the American team in its national pastime.

From the very outset of the game, the British eleven started to score, and from then on seemed to put the ball into the net whenever they saw fit. Pvt. Ernie Shafto was the big gun for the British team in the scoring, booting home five goals in the first period and one in the second. The British team led by 8-0 at the half-time.

Best in Second Half

The Americans made their best showing in the second half, breaking up many rallies through the great playing of S/Sgt. Jules Bianconi, of Baltimore, who made many saves throughout the game. Fullbacks Sgt. Frank Carnes and Pfc Charles Dimick and Halfback Maj. Edmund Beacham, all of Baltimore, were always breaking up the passes in front of the goal and stopped the British team from making many more scores.

Before the game started, the combined bands of two Infantry units played the national anthem of the two countries, and the commanding generals of both sides wished the teams luck.

The lineup:

All-Stars	P	G	English
Bianconi ..	RFB	..	Gray
Carnes ..	LFB	..	Marsden
Dimick ..	RFB	..	Firth
Moxley ..	RHB	..	Taylor
Beacham ..	CHB	..	Easdale
Liberatore ..	LHB	..	Copping
Slovick ..	LW	..	Eastham
Kubsek ..	LI	..	Presket
Sienate ..	CF	..	Shafto
Cuomo ..	RI	..	Pearson
Gayo ..	RW	..	Jones

Rice Sets New Two Mile Mark

Thompson Also Lowers Time in 45-Yard Sprint Event

CLEVELAND, Mar. 28—Greg Rice did it tonight. The Mechanical Man broke his own world indoor two-mile record—a mark he has been gunning for all winter. His time of eight minutes, 51 seconds nipped one-tenth of a second from his old mark.

Greg's great race highlighted the third annual Knights of Columbus indoor invitation track meet. Herbert Thompson, Jersey City Negro, stole the runner-up spotlight with a world record-breaking 45-yard sprint performance of four and eight-tenths seconds.

The 45-yard high hurdles event went to Bob Wright, of Huntington, W. Va., with a time of five and six-tenths seconds. Bob Ufer, of Michigan, Big Ten indoor 440-yard champion, captured the 600-yard run over Russell Owen, of Ohio State, and Jim Herbert, New York, in one minute, 12 and five-tenths seconds.

Joe Nowicki took the lead from the opening gun in the 1,000-yard run to outlast Les Eisenhart and Dave Mathews, of Michigan. Gil Dodds continued his great mile comeback, winning over Gerald Karver, Penn State, and Earl Mitchell, Indiana, in four minutes, eight and seven-tenths seconds.

Canadiens Blank Boston, Keeping Cup Hopes Alive

MONTREAL, Mar. 28—With the Boston Bruins leading 3-0 in their best-of-seven Stanley Cup Series B playoffs, the Montreal Canadiens turned in a sparkling 4-0 triumph over the Bruins to keep their Stanley Cup final playoff hopes alive.

Canadien Goalie Paul Bibeault performed brilliantly, staving off every Bruin scoring attempt, while his mates solved Boston netminder Frankie Brimsek for at least one goal in every period.

Baseball Training Notes

WILMINGTON, Del.—Connie Mack has chosen a tentative infield as the Athletics completed their first full day of practice. Dick Siebert is at first, Pete Suder at second, Irving Hall at short and Eddie Mayo at third. . . . EVANSVILLE, Ind.—Hal White, Detroit Tiger pitcher, joined Doc Cramer on the sidelines as the second major casualty of the Detroit Spring practice. White went to the Evansville hospital after an injury to his back gotten while fielding a ball. Cramer, who broke his right thumb, is awaiting doctor's advice as to whether or not he needs a cast. . . . MUNCIE, Ind.—Pittsburgh's Max Butcher, last Pirate holdout, has capitulated. He'll report for practice today. . . . CAIRO, Ill.—Bad news for Cardinal fans came from their training camp here. Mort Copper, ace right-hander and the most valuable player in the National League in '42, suffered a back injury when he fell from a ladder while painting a house. He's being treated by the team physician. In addition, he is still bothered by a

troublesome knee injury suffered while fielding a bunt last season. . . . COLLEGE PARK, Md.—Milo Candini took a long turn on the mound during the Washington batting practice and looked good. Said Nat's head, Clark Griffith, "If he makes as much progress as he has made in the past few days, he'll be one of our starting pitchers." Candini pitched for Newark last season, but suffered from a sore arm. . . . BEAR MOUNTAIN, N.Y.—Outfielder Dixie Walker joined the Brooklyn Dodgers and participated in a long outdoor workout. He was hit on the head by a pitched ball during batting practice, but the injury is believed to be slight. Whit Wyatt, Kirby Higbe, Ed Head, Max Macon and Bob Chipman twirled. . . . WALLINGFORD, Conn.—Al Javery, who hurled six victories for the Boston Braves last August, showed plenty of speed on the mound in a workout. Chet Ross displayed the best form at the plate with several long wallops. Lefty Gomez was the only pitcher who did not take a turn on the mound.

Weekly Sports Quiz

- 1—What major league player played the most games?
- 2—What is the record gate for a boxing match?
- 3—What is the National Hockey League scoring record for a single season?
- 4—Was John L. Sullivan ever world heavyweight boxing champion?
- 5—Is it possible for a player to make a home run on a bunt without the other team making an error?

Pennant Hopes Held by Tigers

O'Neill Optimistic Though Catching and Outfield Spots are Weak

By Leo MacDonell

DETROIT, Mar. 28—While they already have lost 20 players to the services, including several key men, the Detroit Tigers aren't too discouraged over the prospects of a winning club. With the departure of players of other clubs into the Army and Navy, the Tigers see a leveling off that may make the '43 American League championship race a merry scramble for positions.

Tiger stars already in the services include Hank Greenberg, Billy Hitchcock, Charley Gehringer, Al Benton, Johnny Lipon, Barney McCosky, Birdie Tebbetts, Freddie Hutchinson, Harvey Riebe, Dutch Meyer, Murray Franklin and Pat Mullin.

Tebbetts Loss is Great

The development of capable replacements behind the plate and in the outfield are the biggest manpower problems facing Steve O'Neill, who replaced Manager Del Baker. O'Neill last season piloted Beaumont to the championship of the duration-dead Texas League. Beaumont was a Detroit farm club and O'Neill was a Tiger coach before going to Texas.

The loss of Tebbetts will be felt keenly. With Bill Dickey, famous Yankee receiver, on the sunset side of his career, Tebbetts, at least for the last couple of years, was probably the best catcher in the American loop. While he couldn't hit with Dickey, Birdie was brilliant working behind the plate. He is now officer training at an aviation ground school in North Carolina.

Dixie Parsons becomes the club's first string catcher. Aiding Parsons will be Paul Richards, veteran from Atlanta, which he managed to a couple of Southern League championships, and Al Unser, recalled from Winston Salem, Tiger farm which he managed.

Wakefield's Status Uncertain

Consistently a good hitter and one of the best flyhawks in the business, Barney McCosky's joining up with the Navy left a big hole in the Tigers' left field. Before Barney, of course, the Tigers lost Greenberg and Mullin. Here were three great outfielders, any one of whom could be the difference between, say, fifth or fourth place for the Tigers' coming campaign.

As the outfield nucleus, O'Neill has veteran Doc Cramer, Ned Harris and Rip Radcliffe—not such a sterling combination as big league outfielders go. There isn't much batting power in the trio. They also have Dick Wakefield, from Beaumont, who's a power hitter, but who may not be available because his military status is uncertain. Dick is the University of Michigan boy to whom Owner Walter Briggs paid a \$50,000 bonus to sign a Tiger contract.

Joe Hoover, up from Hollywood, of the Pacific Coast League, is expected to take over shortstop, Rudy York will be at first base, Jimmy Bloodworth at second, and Pinky Higgins at third. The Tigers also have Don Ross available for third or the outfield.

First Game With Browns

With a fine combination of young and veteran flingers, the Bengals should be fairly well equipped in the pitching department. Though Benton's loss may be felt, the Tigers still have, among others, Paul "Dizzy" Trout, Virgil Trucks, Hal Manders, Hal White, Harold Newhouse, Roy Henshaw, Tommy Bridges and Johnny Gorsica.

The new chuckers Frank Overmire and Bob Gillespie may make the grade.

The Tiger Spring Training roster lists 37, some of whom will not be in uniform by the time the season starts on April 21. The first home game is with the St. Louis Browns on April 27. Exhibition opponents include the Pirates, Cubs, White Sox and the Minneapolis Millers, all of whom are training in the same area in Indiana.

Marriage Scores Again

NEW ORLEANS, Mar. 28—Marriage, seven-year-old son of Strolling Player who surprised a classy field in the \$25,000 New Orleans handicap last month, scored another upset victory in the \$10,000 American handicap at the New Orleans Fair Grounds as he drove home a narrow winner over the fast-closing Mioland. The time for the mile and a furlough distance of one minute 49 and three-fifths seconds was a full second under the track record set three weeks ago by Rounders.

One Blow Would Settle Dempsey, Louis Contest

Mythical Fight Would Be Won by Boxer Landing First Punch

By Henry McElmore

Nothing could have pleased me more than to have The Stars and Stripes ask me to do a piece. I mean it, and I'm not a man who likes to work for nothing. As a matter of truth I don't like to work and agree with a distinguished colleague of mine, O. B. Keeler of the Atlanta Journal, that work, not drink, is the curse of the working classes.

I was asked to stick out my neck on the subject of what would have happened in a fight between Joe Louis in his prime and Jack Dempsey in same. It seems this is one of the burning questions of the hour in American bases in the European Theater of Operations.

Disagrees With Williams

I am told that not so long ago Joe Williams, New York World-Telegram sports writer and an old friend of mine, made up his mind in print that Dempsey—the brake rod Dempsey with the blue stubble of beard on his chin and the hungry belly and the wily Kearns in the corner—in short, the Dempsey that made a hospital case out of big Jess Willard—would have knocked out Joe Louis. As I remember Joe's story in The Stars and Stripes, he didn't mince any words in making his choice, and backed his own opinion with opinions of such astute 'ingworms as Jimmy Johnston, Dumb Dan Morgan, and others.

Well, I don't agree with Brer Williams' Not completely. I agree to this extent: that if Dempsey got in the first punch he would win. But I must also say that if Louis got in the first punch Dempsey wouldn't stand a chance. It would be a fight—this one between the savage Dempsey and the placid, cold-blooded colored boy from the canebrakes of Alabama. And it wouldn't last a round. One of them would be taken out of the ring feet first before the first round ended.

What Does He Win With?

Dempsey would come out bobbing and weaving and attacking. Louis would come out slow and slidy and ready to counter-punch. If Jack got in his left hook or his swooping right the fight would end right there. Joe can't take it. He doesn't go down under a punch, but it fogs him, bewilders him, and he loses all his edge. If Dempsey missed his first punch, and left himself open, you could leave your seat and start collecting any and all money you had on Joe. Sure Dempsey would get up. He probably would get up half a dozen times, because Joe's punches aren't the kind that completely "salivate" a fellow, as we say in Georgia. But the first one he lands takes all the fight out of a man. I have seen many of his opponents get up off the floor—but they never did any fighting after they got up. They were just sick, tired old men, groping in the dark, waiting for the lightning to land.

Dempsey would be quicker on his feet. Louis would be quicker with his hands. I'll give you an idea of who I think would win a fight between Jack and Joe by asking you this question: What does a boxer win with—his feet or his hands?

Set-Shot Competition At Bury St. Edmunds

BURY ST. EDMUNDS, Mar. 28—Scoring seven out of eight goals in a set-shot basketball tournament held here, Sgt. Anthony Angelo, New Bedford, Mich., won a silver bracelet donated through the Red Cross and a Service Group won a silver trophy as the team prize.

Lt. Leo Feingold, of Yonkers, N.Y., physical training officer and former NYU basketball star, was in charge of the novel tournament. Some 150 men and officers participated.

Members of the winning team: 1/Lt. Duke A. MacConaghy, Glendale, Cal.; Pfc Clyde E. Perry, Altoona, Pa.; 2/Lt. Robert J. Green, Bailey, Tex.; Pfc Jack M. Snyder, Greengburg, Pa.; Pfc David Alford, Boston; Cpl. James Bayens Jr., Sheboygan, Wis.; S/Sgt. Albert A. Haas, Atlanta, Mich.; and T/Sgt. Frank G. Vaculin, Magna, Utah.

Leafs Clip Wings, 4-3, To Even Playoff Series

TORONTO, Mar. 28—A record-breaking crowd of over 15,000 cheered the Toronto Maple Leafs to a 6-3 victory over the Detroit Red Wings, thereby leveling their Stanley Cup best-of-seven semi-final playoffs at two victories apiece.

Both teams scored twice in the opening period. In the second period, the teams were deadlocked at 3-3 when Toronto's Bob Davidson's shot rocketed off a Detroit defenseman's leg into the corner of the net, breaking the tie. Toronto scored twice more in the same period to put the game on ice while holding Detroit scoreless for the remainder of the contest.

Buck Newsome Signs

BEAR MOUNTAIN, N.Y., Mar. 28—Pitcher Buck "Bobo" Newsome agreed to his '43 terms with the Brooklyn Dodgers, thus leaving Outfielder Lloyd Waner the only unsigned club member.

Officials and Pairings Listed for Cage Tourney

Mel Ott Has 'Mungo Daze,' Scribe Finds

Giants' Manager Shows All the Symptoms Of Malady

By Joe Williams

New York World-Telegram Sports Writer
NEW YORK, Mar. 28—Mel Ott, manager of the New York Giants, is going through what is known as the Mungo daze. It was inevitable. All managers exposed to the condition go through the Mungo daze.

Happily, the malady leaves no permanent effects. It is at its compelling worst this time of the year. Thus we find Mister Ott approaching a crisis. The symptoms are inescapable. The victim has a faraway, dreamy look in his eyes and is addicted to lyrical comments. A repetitious thread runs through his comments—"20 games, 20 games, 20 games."

Mister Ott is the latest of a long line of victims, most of them being Brooklyn managers, indicating the Mungo daze developed on the banks of the Gowanus.

This would have been in '31 when Van Lingle Mungo, 200-pound right handed pitcher, came up from the sticks to show his stuff under the critical eyes of the late Uncle Wilbert Robinson. Even in those days Uncle Wilbert was known to be a man of durable constitution; he still lived up to the rugged traditions of the old Orioles. He laughed at all perils.

Wait 'Til Next Year

Yet it wasn't long before Uncle Wilbert developed that faraway, dreamy look and began the now familiar chant, "20 games, 20 games, 20 games."

Men in white were baffled in the beginning and subjected Uncle Wilbert to long periods of observation. He came out of it toward the end of the season when the records showed Mungo had won only three games. But in coming out of it Uncle Wilbert developed complications. A different kind of look came almost challengingly into his eyes and he began to chant, "Wait until next year."

Mungo won 13 the next year, which was further heartening to the men of science who noted that the effect on the current manager was one of healthy encouragement. In cases of this sort, which seem to influence the mind unduly, men of science welcome signs of excessive optimism in a victim. It does no harm and guards against moroseness.

Well, that's how it's always been. The Mungo daze no longer baffles anybody. By midsummer even the most confirmed victims generally are able to emerge completely cured. There've been only two seasons where the fever lasted practically all season long. In '34 Mungo won 18 and lost 16, and in '36 he took 18 and lost 19.

Always Held Promise

This explains why the Mungo daze would reappear every time a new manager took charge. No sooner was he exposed to the sight of the pitcher whamming his fast ball into the warmup catcher's mitt than the new manager would develop that dreamy glint and predict that this was the year, yessir—this was the year old Van Lingle was going to win 20 games for sure.

Of course, it's never happened. Mungo's never won 20 games in his life, even in the bushes. Yet continuing the illusion isn't without substance. Mungo's a big fellow with a hard, high one, and if any pitcher ever seemed to hold promise of being a 20-game winner, it was the hayshaker from Pageland, S.C.

The popular explanation is that he's never learned how to be a pitcher; he just stood out there on the mound and tried to fog the ball past the hitter. He never bothered much about trying to pace himself. He expended as much energy on the weak sisters as on the strong brothers. As a result he seldom had much left in the close innings.

Still Looks Like a Pitcher

While Mister Ott undoubtedly is afflicted with the Mungo daze, his condition cannot be said to be overserious. The 20-game chant simply is the result of habit. Mungo's been pitching professionally for some 14 seasons and is distinctly in the veteran class. He has not won as many as ten big league games a season since '36. Not even Mister Ott, fever-ridden as he is, can expect a miracle to materialize this season.

An Associated Press tourist visited the Giants' camp this week and it was Mister Ott who suggested he do a piece on Mungo. "He's been one of my pleasantest surprises this Spring," the manager admitted almost musically. These are undeniably symptoms of the Mungo daze even if they fail to point specifically to a 20-game objective.

To your correspondent, Mungo looks about the same as he always has. Still it might be unwise to give him the quick brushoff. This is a war year and there aren't going to be many big hitters to get out. At least Mungo still looks like a pitcher when he throws and the time may come this season when another qualification becomes necessary.

It may even turn out that Mister Ott will go through a large part of the season in the happy throes of the Mungo daze and this is one year we'd like to see it happen, too.

\$50,000 Uniform for \$50 ODs



Former Yankee powerhouse Joe DiMaggio is now Pvt. Joe in Uncle Sam's army. The former star outfielder recently traded his \$50,000-a-year baseball uniform for a \$50-a-month khaki outfit.

McCarthy Lauds Yank Hurlers As Best in American League

ASBURY PARK, Mar. 28—Baseball biographies do not list Joseph Vincent McCarthy as a man bubbling over with optimism. But the manager of the Yankees today has begun to show the effect of the vitamin pills he took last week. Utterly without warning, Marse Joe said:

"We've the strongest pitching staff in the American League. I say definitely that we won't miss Red Ruffing's customary contribution to our victory column. We had the strongest hurling staff in our circuit last year, and conditions will make that advantage all the more pronounced this season."

"Led by Ted Williams and Dom DiMaggio of the Red Sox, some of the opposition's most powerful hitters have entered the services. There will be much less pressure on our hurlers."

"I look for especially big things from Ernie Bonham and Hank Borowy. Tiny won 21 games last season, but a pitcher in his class should take 25. Borowy should add three or four to the 15 he won as a rookie." Marvin Brewer is another who will top his '42 record.

"I'm still very high on Bill Zuber, whom we got from Washington, and Charlie Wensloff, right-hander from Kansas City. Tommy Byrne came from Newark with the handicap of wildness, but he has so much ability and confidence that I wouldn't be surprised if he responded with something handsome. I'm told by our scouts, Bill Meyer and Johnny Neun, that Wensloff has everything, including a well-controlled knuckle ball."

Russo Still a Question

"In fact, our pitching staff looks so promising that I'm ready to send Johnny Lindell into the outfield or to first base. There aren't many managers who are able to convert a pitcher."

"Last year we had some difficulties with relief pitching. Johnny Murphy suffered a baffling foot injury in the Spring and Lindell seemed to have lost his fast ball. Murphy won only four and lost ten. An operation has corrected the foot trouble and I'm confident John will be his old reliable self again."

"Marius Russo, who won 14 for us in '41, finished ten behind that last year because of an arm injury."

McCarthy concluded with the confidence that recently signed Bill Dickey, veteran catcher, will be strong enough to make a good showing in '43. "He won't be able to play the same number of games as other years, but his hitting is still invaluable. He's well backed up by Rollie Hemsley and Rookies Ken Sears and Aaron Robinson from Newark."

Pep Gets Draft Notification

HARTFORD, Conn., Mar. 28—Willie Pep, recognized in New York as world featherweight champion, has been summoned for a draft board "screen test" with a 1-A reclassification possible. Pep is married, but childless.

Rainbow Corner Fights Off During Cage Tilts

For the first time in 13 weeks there will be no fights at the Rainbow Corner tomorrow night. Because of the three-day basketball tournament being held at Albert Hall, the fights have been dropped for this week.

On Tuesday, Apr. 6, however, the fight cards will resume with another crackerjack show of eight to ten bouts, the first starting at 7.30.

First Contest Starts at 1PM At Albert Hall

Navy and Fourth Port Ramblers Open Playoffs

By Mark E. Senigo

Ten officials have been named by The Stars and Stripes Athletic Committee to handle the 16 games of the championship basketball tournament of the ETO starting tomorrow afternoon at the Royal Albert Hall, London.

The committee also has listed the pairings of the first eliminations which will bring the teams through to the quarter-finals.

The teams which will open the tournament are the Fourth Port Ramblers, an SOS quintet and one of the top entries, and the sailor team from the Navy base at Londonderry. They will take the floor at 1 PM and from then on the playoffs will roll for three days.

Three more games are scheduled for tomorrow afternoon and two in the evening. At 2 PM the Eighth Air Force five plays the hoopsters from Southern Base Command. An hour later the GIs, who took the SOS court title of Northern Ireland as well as the Army title, pair off against the London Base Command five. The four o'clock session pits the Division Blues against a squad from the Cavalry.

Six Games Wednesday

The first night game will start at 6 PM, when the Eighth Air Force Service Command combination tackles the Engineers. Winding up the first day's play, Fighter Command's dribblers open up against the SOS Red Raiders at 7.30.

The last two elimination games will be played early Wednesday afternoon. At 1 PM Bomber Command's entry is paired off with the Playboys, Eighth Air Force Composite Command champions from Northern Ireland, and at 2 PM the second quintet from Division, the Greys, tackle the last SOS-entry, the AGs.

The four quarterfinal contests will round out the card on Wednesday with the first two scheduled for 3 and 4 PM respectively and the last two at 7 and 8 PM. The semi-finals will be played at 2 and 3 PM Thursday, with the championship final coming off at 8 PM Thursday evening. The two semi-final losers will play off for third place in a consolation tilt starting at 7 PM Thursday—an hour before the finals.

Morrison Heads Officials

The officials for the tournament are headed by James Morrison, of Lincoln, Neb. Morrison, now with the American Red Cross, was athletic director of Nebraska State Teachers College and a member of the Nebraska State Officials Association.

The other referees and umpires are: Lt. Leo Feingold, Yonkers, N.Y., former NYU star and member of the Eastern High School Officials Association; Tex Blaisdell, Houston, Tex., ARC, member of the Central Texas Coaches and Officials Association and referee at Southwest Conference games such as Rice and Texas Universities; Capt. George Smith, Vicksburg, Miss., member of the Mississippi State Officials Association; Capt. Sol Radam, Akron, O., Northeast Ohio Officials Association; Phil Slinker, Des Moines, Iowa, Iowa State High School Officials Association; Tom McDougall, Los Angeles, State High School Officials Association, and Roland Slater, Salt Lake City, Utah, Rocky Mountain Officials Association.

Scorer for the contests will be Frank Kammerlohr, of Great Falls, Mont., head of the Belfast Red Cross club, and the timer will be Hugh Foster, of Los Angeles, Cal., ARC.

Johnny Greco Outpoints Shans in Garden Feature

NEW YORK, Mar. 28—Pvt. Johnny Greco, lightweight of the Canadian Army, proved what everybody knew—that he's a better fighter than Cleo Shans, Los Angeles Negro. Greco took a ten-round decision before a full house at Madison Square Garden Friday night.

The fight was almost an exact replica of his victory a month ago. The consensus of the judges' cards gave Cleo six rounds, Shans two with two even.

Only Greco's lack of experience saved Shans from being kayoed. Johnny achieved a knockdown in the third round with a left jab, but the bobbing and weaving Shans was up at the one count. Johnny had Shans staggering helplessly in the fifth, but failed to step in and finish him. It was the same in the next three rounds. Shans rallied briefly in the ninth.

Caps Take Series

CLEVELAND, Mar. 28—The Indianapolis Caps knocked out the Cleveland Barons, 3-2, in a hard fought overtime in the American Hockey League playoffs in the series' finisher. The first ten minutes of the overtime was scoreless, but Jake Kilrea smacked across the goal in the last extra period to give the Caps the game and the series.

Admission Free To Tournament

Tickets Needed for Night Games Only; Ducats At Red Cross

For ten of the 16 basketball games to be played in ETO championship basketball tournament, no tickets will be needed for admission. The Stars and Stripes Athletic Committee has announced that all seats for the afternoon games will be filled on a first-come-first-served basis.

Tickets will be needed for all the evening games. These tickets will be free and may be procured at the American Red Cross clubs or through the Special Service section. All officers wishing to attend the contests at night may procure tickets at the Special Service Section, London Base Command.

Members of the Allied forces will be admitted in uniform on the same basis as the American forces at the afternoon contests. Tickets for allied servicemen who wish to attend the night games can be obtained through the different allied service clubs such as the Beaver Club, the New Zealand Club, the Queensbury Club and others.

All men in uniform may bring one civilian guest, but no civilians will be admitted unless they are accompanied by men in uniform.

London Nine On Top, 6-3

London Base Command's baseball team opened the new season yesterday with a 6-3 victory over the Engineers' nine on the Richmond Hill diamond.

The Engineers opened the scoring in the first inning as Pvt. Edward Kozinski, of Brooklyn, reached first on an error by Sgt. Stanley Fenko, of Brooklyn. He stole second and went to third when Sgt. Peter Galuska, of Arcadia, Wis., dropped the third strike from the bat of T/5 John Kangas, of Felch, Mich. Kangas went to first and Kozinski scored on a single by Cpl. Floyd Taggart, of Detroit.

Base Command went into the lead in the third inning when Galuska doubled down the right field line and scored on a hard single by Pvt. James Wright, pitcher from Los Angeles. Wright went to third on the throw-in and the play at the plate and scored when Pvt. Edward Ludera, of Chicago, flied deep into right field.

The Engineers had a good chance to take the lead in the fourth inning when they loaded the bases with none out, T/Sgt. Lee Taggart, of Detroit, singled to left field; T/4 Donald Williams bunted and was safe on an error by Base Command's first baseman, Pfc Allen Parr, of Mexia, Texas, and T/5 Carl Chabowski, of Cleveland, bunted and beat it out. Wright pulled out of the hole, however, without a score. Pfc Jack Bzdaffska, of Cleveland, struck out. Pvt. Grover Abrams bunted and Taggart was forced at the plate. Kozinski grounded out.

Base Command put the game on ice in the sixth. Pvt. Frank Goring, of Detroit, doubled and took third on an error. Parr struck out, but Sgt. Pete Pavich singled. Pvt. Arthur G. Dunning, of Boston, was hit by a pitched ball and he and Pavich pulled a double steal. Both scored on errors.

Base Command			Engineers		
	AB	R	AB	R	H
Ludera, 3b	3	0	Kozinski, 2b	5	1
Sobotta, 3b	1	0	Kangas, lf	5	1
Senko, ss	1	0	Chinera, cf	4	0
Figuerelli, ss	1	0	F. Taggart, 3b	4	1
Goring, cf	4	1	L. Taggart, lb	4	0
Parr, lb	4	0	Williams, rf	4	0
Pavich, 2b	4	1	Chabowski, ss	5	0
Sedzwick, lf	3	0	Bzdaffska, c	5	0
Dunning, lf	1	0	Abrams, p	3	0
Venezia, rf	3	0	Supé, p	1	0
Mekovich, rf	1	0			
Galuska, c	1	1			
Wright, p	1	1			
Haines, p	3	0			
Rued, p	2	0			
Scow, p	0	0			
Totals	35	6	Totals	40	3

Umpire—Pfc Leo G. Shear, Cincinnati.

Blondie

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by Chic Young



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Hash Marks

Is this the key to success in marriage? Said a man in a British court the other day: "I give my wife all I earn—so as to ensure a peaceful weekend."

Shortly after the Bismarck Sea convoy sinking, in which 15,000 Jap troops were drowned, Tokio radio made the remark-



able announcement that every soldier in the Japanese army is to be taught to swim. Does that mean they are going to cut out all convoys and let the little yellow guys swim to Guadalcanal?

Signs of the times: Fifty Detroit bell-boys struck against the Hotel Book-Cadillac "because they were sick and tired of wearing wing collars."

As if a cold winter and fuel rationing were not enough, the folks back home have to put up with tons of literature issued by government bureaus. Shivering citizens recently received a document containing the following "enlightening" information, headed, "Helpful hints on how to keep the house warm": (1) Stuff a rug against the door at night. (2) Dress warm indoors. (3) Wear flannel night clothes. (4) Fold a newspaper and put it along the window sill to keep out the cold. Frankly, we are amazed by the experts. They forgot to mention the old reliable hot-water bottle!

Captain Arthur C. Cranford, QMC, passes on this nifty—a favorite American dish as suggested by "Morale Minutes." Here's the recipe: "Take one draffee, slightly green. Stir from bed at early hour. Soak in shower or tub daily. Dress in olive drab. Mix with others of his kind. Then toughen with maneuvers and grate on sergeant's nerves. Add liberal portion of baked beans and spam. Season with wind, rain, sun and snow. Sweeten from time to time with chocolate bars. Let smoke occasionally. Bake in 110 degrees summer and let cool in below zero winter. . . . Serves 130,000 people."

This week Phillip Bucknell, S and S reporter, had the pleasure of interviewing the famous violinist, Yehudi Menuhin. "It was a slightly different occasion than my first interview with Menuhin," mused Bucknell, who formerly worked for London newspapers. "I interviewed him when he made his first appearance in England, at the age of ten. When I called at that time he was sitting on the floor and much too busy playing with trains to bother about publicity."

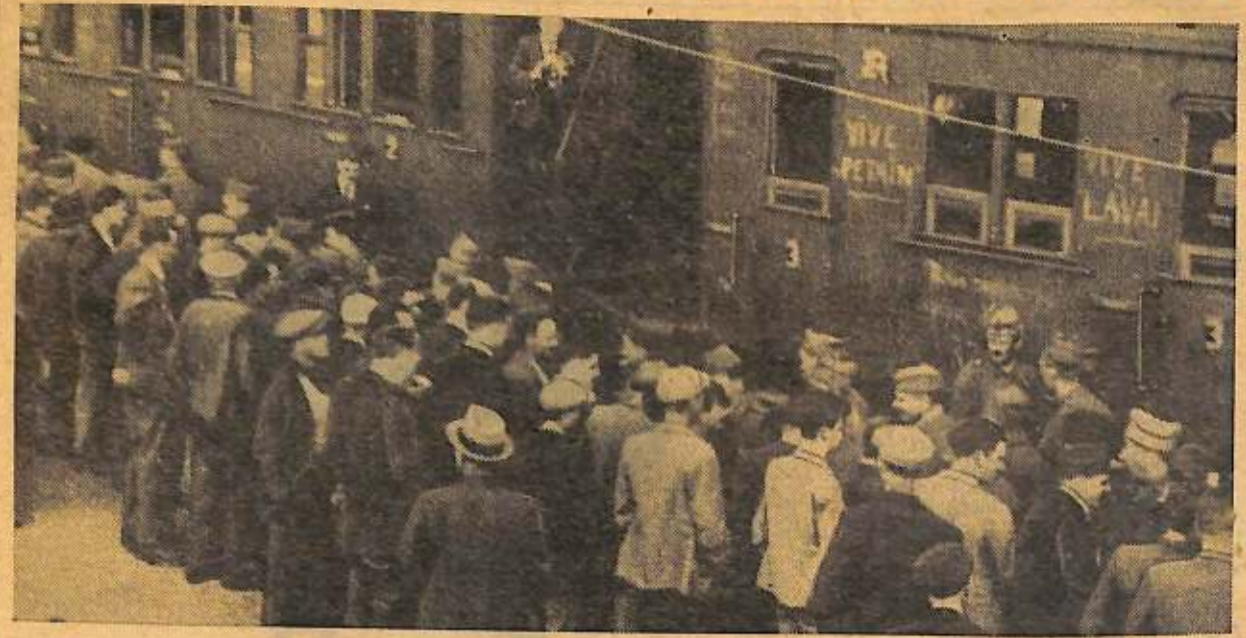
The Axis can't doubt the seriousness of our war effort any longer—even the bootleggers have gone patriotic. A rolling



wave of patriotism has surged through the land and they are now making whiskey—without sugar. The new "Victory" whiskey is made from corn meal, corn sprouts and molasses.

J. C. W.

Slavery Returns to the Continent



Keystone Photo

Outside a railway station at Compiègne, France, during the Fall of 1942, laborers await shipment to Germany, where, as a result of Hitler's slave labor society, one out of seven workers is from conquered territory or from Germany's satellite allies.

U.S. Report Describes Nazis' Exploitation Of Foreign Labor

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28—Millions of captive peoples exploited by Germany to increase its war production. . . .

An economic "blood hierarchy," based on Nazi racial myths, by which foreign workers are rated for pay and privileges according to their nationalities. . . .

Two and a half million workers transferred to Germany from occupied countries and Germany's satellite "partners," until one out of every seven workers in Germany is a foreigner. . . .

Those are some of the facts behind the current wave of armed resistance and sabotage which the Germans are encountering today throughout Europe. This was revealed yesterday by the Office of War Information in a report entitled, "Nazi Slave Society."

It describes how the free labor market has been replaced by methods enforced by bayonet and concentration camp.

Underpaid, working 72 hours a week and more, restricted in their movements, carefully guarded by the Gestapo and Storm Troopers, more than 5,000,000 foreign civilians and prisoners are working for the Axis war effort in Germany alone, "serfs of the Nazis' new order," according to the report.

Foreign Racial Ratings

The "blood hierarchy" system in Germany draws racial distinctions not only between Germans and foreign workers, but also among foreign workers themselves. A Danish worker, for example, ranks higher racially than a Pole, gets better pay and more privileges. As a symbol of "racial inferiority," the Polish worker must wear over his right breast a reddish-purple "P."

Conveniently adjusted to account for "non-Aryan" workers from Italy and other satellite Axis states, the "blood hierarchy" list runs in the following order:

- 1. Axis workers and workers coming from countries with which Germany has labor agreements—Italians, Spaniards, Hungarians, Bulgarians and Rumanians.
2. Nordic workers—Netherlanders, Danes and Norwegians.
3. Western Europe workers—French

and Belgians.

4. Ostland workers—Estonians, Latvians, Liths, Czechs, Serbs and Croats.

5. Poles and Russians, lowest in the Nazi racial caste.

The report points out that 60 per cent of foreign workers are engaged in industrial work, the remaining 40 per cent being used in agriculture.

Although the present German labor force in Germany is estimated to be 29,500,000—including 15,900,000 women—the total German working population, says the report, has decreased by more than 8,000,000. Five million, it was estimated, have been replaced, but a sizable gap still remains to be filled by concerted conscription.

On the basis of a German working population of about 29,500,000 at least one out of every seven workers in Germany proper today is a foreigner. They include 1,000,000 Poles, several hundred thousand Russians, 300,000 Italians, 300,000 Belgians, over 250,000 Czechs, 200,000 Netherlanders, 200,000 French and 135,000 Yugoslavs, as well as men and women conscripted or volunteers from Hungary, Rumania, Bulgaria, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Baltic countries, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland.

All Methods to Get Labor

The Nazis have gone to all sorts of extremes to get men for labor. One bait used in France is exemption from prosecution of prisoners awaiting trial provided they are not political prisoners.

Stern measures have been used to enlist workers, such as taking away food or clothing ration cards. Relatively few women workers in Western Europe have been recruited, says the report, except in France, where a large number have been assigned to civilian jobs to release "more arment" German women for work in armament factories.

To keep German employers from hiring inexpensive foreigners instead of expensive Germans, foreign workers get the same pay Germans would get in the same industrial category. But the foreign worker is cheated out of a large part of his salary through special taxation and deductions.

The amount of wages a worker is allowed to send home is determined by his "blood hierarchy." Still, under the

remittance system no physical transfer of money takes place. The Nazis have large credits on deposit in occupied countries and the worker's remittances are charged against these credits—thus the man's own country is obliged to pay him for working in Germany.

"Foreign workers," the report says, "are herded together in camps, barracks and unused factories, and, in some cases, billeted in private houses when they are working in cities," according to reports reaching United States Government agencies. "The camps are crowded, the food—cooked by the workers—is bad, the heating is meagre, and some of them even lack lighting and running water. No food ration or clothing cards are issued to workers living in groups, and the workers' clothes are obtained through their industrial establishment.

Upkeep Costs From Wages

"The cost of their upkeep is deducted from their wages. Despite promises made by the Nazis before the workers get to Germany, the movements of all foreign workers—always under suspicion as possible saboteurs—are restricted. The hours of work for most workers are reported to be 60 to 72 a week, and the workers, with the exception of eastern laborers and prisoners, get overtime at straight pay. Early volunteer workers signed labor contracts varying from three months to two years, but it is now reported that Reichs-Marshall Hermann Goering has decreed the automatic renewal of all expiring contracts indefinitely. According to one report of conditions in a Polish workers' barracks in Germany, the workers there got up at 4.30 AM, were marched to work under bayoneted soldier guard at 5 AM, and worked until 10 PM, with 40 minutes off for lunch. They got an allotment of a half-pound of bread a day," said the report.

"This, then, is the slave-labor society that the Nazis have created in Europe," the report concludes. "As far as the Nazis are concerned it is not merely a temporary phenomenon; it represents the Nazi conception of the 'new order,' under which the Nazis claim the 'right' to rule a continent of serfs as members of a 'master race.'"

Salute to Yugoslavia

March 27th, 1941, was a turning point in the drawn-out struggle between democracy and anti-democracy, for on that day not a government but a whole people spoke. It was the voice of Yugoslavia raised in angry wrath against the encroachments of Nazi Germany.

The Yugoslavs, 85 per cent peasant farmers, had watched the German menace grow. Having fought generation after generation for their own freedom and in the first Great War having lost a higher percentage of their manpower than any other country, they knew full well the moaning of war. But they had seen Austria go, then Czechoslovakia, Poland, Norway, Belgium, Holland and France. All Europe seemed lost.

Finally the encirclement of Yugoslavia began. Italian mines floated down the Adriatic coast, Italian armies moved into Albania. The frontier with Hungary became virtually a German frontier and Rumania entered the Axis system. Then Bulgaria joined and German troops marched in, completing Yugoslav encirclement. With the full weight of the Axis war machine ready to strike, Yugoslavia was given an ultimatum . . . join us or die.

On the night of March 26th the people of Yugoslavia gave their own answer. The appealing Regency of Prince Paul was swept away, and on the morning of March 27th the whole population, farmers and veterans, soldiers and school children, joined together to acclaim the new government.

On the anniversary of that day King Peter of Yugoslavia broadcast to his people. He urged them to "rally round General Mihailovich and wait patiently for their hour of deliverance."

But while they wait the Yugoslavs have been able to keep thousands of troops busy . . . so busy in fact that an additional five divisions have just been moved into that unhappy country to "maintain order."

Worth Fighting About

We saw a good fight in August, 1923, near Cheyenne Wyoming at old Fort Russell. It was between a cavalryman weighing around 130 pounds and a tanker weighing about 150 pounds. It started over the military appearance of the tanker, temporarily assigned to the cavalry outfit, who thought a tough guy must look the part.

The cavalryman was proud of his outfit and his uniform, for his father, grandfather and great-grandfather before him had worn it with honor and distinction; so one day addressing the sloppy looking tanker he remarked, "Why in Hell don't you police yourself up and look like a soldier?"

By way of reply he received the stock answer, "Who's gonna make me."

In any military barracks that's enough to start a good fight. In this case the troops picked up the quarrel and the little fellow accepted the challenge. Eight-ounce gloves were produced and the two began to mix it.

In the first round, the tanker, a semi-pro boxer, cut loose with several good blows; but in the second round, the trooper clipped him with a hard right to the nose, splitting it wide open. From there on out it was the trooper's fight and he tore into the bigger man. Finally with a hard right from the floor he knocked his opponent out for the count.

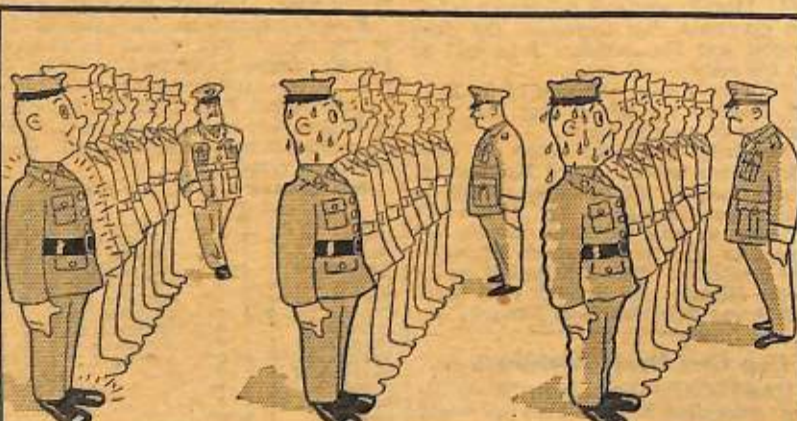
We always like to remember that fight for it proved our theory that a sloppy looking soldier is generally just a "big bag of wind," and a smart looking soldier is usually a good fighting man.

Enrollees Get Credit

Officers and enlisted men enrolling for correspondence courses offered through Special Services by the Army Institute will be credited with taking these courses on their 20 Forms. Provision to do this was recently made in classification Memorandum No. 11.

Provisions were also made in this memo for the Commandant of the Army Institute to submit a letter to the enlisted man's immediate commanding officer upon the completion of the course. This letter will state the length of the course, the name and the date completed.

The officer receiving this letter indorses it to the commanding officer of the headquarters where the enlisted man's 20 Form is filed, and it becomes a permanent part of each man's military record.



ARMY POETS

Fighter Pilot

I know that it will come, but when or where?

In rattling burst or roaring sheet of flame, In the green blanket sea, choking for air, Amid the bubbles transient as my name.

Sometime a second's throw decides the game, Winner takes all, and there is no replay, Indifferent earth and sky breathe on the same, I settle up my score and go my way.

The years I might have had I throw away, They only lead to winter's lingering pain; No tears call they from those who perchance stay, For Spring however spent comes not again.

When April brings once more the gentle rain, Mention my name in passing, if you must, As one who accepted terms, slay or be slain, And knew the bargain was both good and just.

Sgt. Pilot Shelby O. Buck, RCAF (American), and Miss Paddie Moodie.

GI Joe and the Mail

When mail calls sounds our GI Joe Wants envelopes that hold some dough. Loving lines from his fine mother; Silly one from his kid brother.

A nice note from a British gal, A breezy phrase from an old pal. Some sour grapes from a jilted dame. Naughty hints from a secret flame.

New magazines from over there. Some cigarettes from Lord knows where. Cigars impossible to buy; A shrewdly hidden flask of rye.

From dear old Dad, a bright hello. A postcard from his sister's beau. From sis herself, a pleasant word And witty joke he's never heard.

And from the girl he left behind Some letters of the tend'rest kind. Not less than eight from her will do. (Sure he will settle for just two) But all he gets are "past due" claims And pink reams of election names.

T/5 Peter Alfano.

Hitler's Future

When the storm of life is past And your work on earth is done, When you reach your home at last, Far beyond the setting sun.

You will meet with friends unknown, You will dwell in glory friendless. You will reap the seeds you've sown Through centuries quite endless.

For your work down here on earth Has been futile and for naught. And the homeland of your birth Will forget what you have taught.

If there is a place to go When your bloody work is through; I'll just bet you have a job Telling Satan what to do.

Pvt. Henry Donnelly.

NEWS FROM HOME Navy Building Light Carriers To Fight Subs

Some Already In Action, Scores More Coming, Col. Knox Says

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28—Scores of new auxiliary aircraft carriers—an effective anti-submarine weapon—are being built for the United States Navy, Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox revealed here over the week-end. He said some of the new small carriers had already been in action.

Vice-Adm. Frederick Horne, assistant chief of naval operations, elaborated the secretary's words by explaining that a greatly increased program of converting and building auxiliary carriers had placed the United States ahead of any other Power as a builder of aircraft carriers.

Slower and less heavily armed than regular carriers, the converted ships, nevertheless, have proved exceedingly valuable in convoy patrol duty, submarine hunting and in ferrying planes to combat zones. In several instances they have become involved in naval actions, Adm. Horne said, and proved more than able to hold their own.

Col. Knox emphasized the Navy's realization of the importance of air power in announcing that all naval officers graduating from Annapolis would receive an air indoctrination course before being assigned to the fleet for duty.

Schoolgirl Held As Poisoner

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 28—A 14-year-old Los Angeles schoolgirl is being held

U.S. Ships 82 Lbs. Daily For Each Yank Abroad

WASHINGTON, Mar. 27—An average of 82 pounds of supplies a day follows each of the million and a half American soldiers serving overseas, War Department statistics showed today.

The figures emphasized the transport problem involved in supplying troops in the British Isles, North Africa, Alaska, and the Pacific. Eighty-two pounds a day per man indicates an average of more than 60,000 tons of supplies being shipped from American ports to troops abroad every day.

as a poisoner after the principal of her school became violently ill from coffee the girl had helped make. Police said the girl had stolen \$6 from the school cafeteria and had been ordered to "work it out" in the kitchen. Later the principal drank coffee from the kitchen and was immediately stricken.

Urges Anglo-American Pact

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28—A post-war Anglo-American "working partnership," to complement the Anglo-Russian pact, must be reached in order to secure enduring world peace, Sir Clive Baillieu, head of the British raw materials commission, said in a speech here.

Mme. Chiang May Visit Britain

CHICAGO, Mar. 28—A representative of Mme. Chiang Kai-shek said that the wife of the Chinese leader had been officially invited to visit Great Britain although, as yet, "no definite plan had been made on account of her health."

F.H. LaGuardia To Enter Army

N.Y. Press Predicts Mayor Will Be Made General To Govern Italy

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28—White House secretary Steve Early said yesterday that Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, of New York, will probably enter the Army soon, but that it had not been decided what his rank or assignment would be.

During the last war LaGuardia served in Italy as a major of the U.S. Air Corps.

Despite Early's statement that definite plans had not yet been made regarding LaGuardia's service, New York papers all have carried stories in the last few days saying he would be made a brigadier general and would be appointed military governor of Italy when and if the Allies invade that country.

The New York State Legislature recently passed legislation which would permit LaGuardia to accept service in the government without creating a vacancy in the mayoralty post.

Soldiers, Meet Diana!

Beginning with this issue, The Stars and Stripes present Diana, a new comic strip, drawn by Jean Baird, which will be about a shapely young lady whose job will be to entertain GIs. Make a date with Diana by sending your biggest laugh or gag to The Stars and Stripes. The author will illustrate the best suggestions and in return will present each winner with an original drawing.



"Red Sox 5, Yanks 3."

DIANA

I'LL HAVE TO HURRY IF I WANT TO BE THERE ON TIME!

DEAR DIANA—WILL YOU PLEASE MEET MY AMERICAN COUSIN, JEFF SCHWARTZ, AT THE STATION AT 11:30 A.M. YOU'LL KNOW HIM! HE'S TALL, DARK AND HANDSOME... BRING HIM TO MY FLAT, IN HASTE, MARGOT.

JUST ON TIME! THE TRAIN'S IN! NOW TO LOOK FOR MARGOT'S COUSIN!

EXCUSE ME, ARE YOU JEFF SCHWARTZ? MARGOT ASKED ME TO MEET YOU!

TALL—DARK—HANDSOME

REHLY, M'DEAH! I ASKED YOU TO MEET M' COUSIN! NOT THE WHOLE AMERICAN AWMY!

HOWDY, COUSIN!

BUT, MARGOT THEY ALL SAY THEIR NAME'S JEFF SCHWARTZ

JEAN BAIRD

MALE GUY

...THE COLONEL'S COMPLIMENTS MA'AM—AND WOULD YOU CARE TO CROSS OVER AND WATCH THE PARADE FROM THE REVIEWING STAND?

DON'T MIND IF I DO... I WAS ABOUT TO TAKE OFF DOWNWIND...

THE OLD MAN'S NO SLOW JOE... HE INVITED THE LACE GAL ACROSS THE STREET TO THE PLATFORM...

HE'S JUST LOOKING TO THE WELFARE OF HIS MEN...

THE FIRST BATTALION THAT PASSED IN REVIEW IS NOW OVER BEING TREATED FOR CROSSED EYES!

MILTON CANIFF

JOE PABLOKA

HEY—GET UP. WE'RE AWFUL LATE.

AWRIGHT AWRIGHT

I WON'T WAIT FOR DAT WAN!! 'E EES LAZEE BUM! C'MON, JOE!

JERRY, WE'LL HAFTA GO. WE'LL GET THE GIRLS--- YOU GET YOURS AN' MEET US AT THE DORCHESTER.

AW--- YA PUNKS--- KIN I HELP IT IF I CAN'T FIND ME OTHER SHOE.

SUFF'RIN' CAT'S I WOULDN'T DO THAT T'THEM.

H'OKY CATS WHERE'S MY NECKTIE?

CRIMINY THEY GET ME NUTS RUSHIN' LIKE THIS--- WHY DON'T THEY WAKE A GUY UP INSTEADA DRIVIN' IM GOOFY!!

☛☛☛ HOW I HATE THESE LONDON FOGS--- JIST WHEN A GUY'S IN A HURRY--- HEY--- HEY CAB!

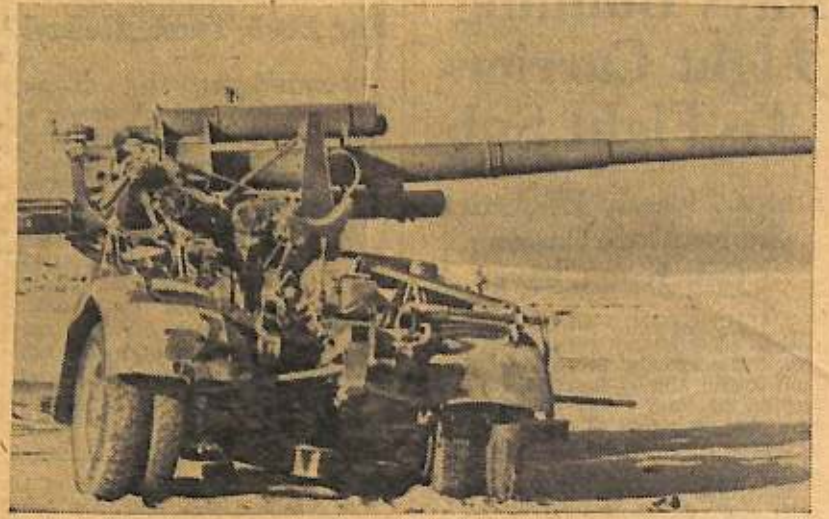
HAM FISHER

Its Job Is to Seek and Demolish Axis Armor



This is a new U.S. tank destroyer whose battle mission is to seek out and demolish enemy armed vehicles. Called the M-10 in Army technical manual, it is heavily armored and faster than the ordinary tank and carries heavy firepower. It already has been tested in battle.

A Sad Day for the Axis



This is the famous German 88mm. In the picture below, an American anti-aircraft, anti-tank gun (above), knocked out after the Afrika Korps gave way to recent Allied thrusts on a desert battlefield in central Tunisia. Wounded returning from Africa tell of a healthy respect for this Nazi weapon

In the picture below, an American sentry stands guard over a group of Italian soldiers captured near El Guettar, central Tunisia, shortly after a battle last week, when the U.S. Fifth Army destroyed 35 to 40 Axis tanks and took 200 prisoners.

Mr. Big of the U.S. Navy



Keystone Photo
Silhouetted against the cold, grey sky somewhere on a wintry Atlantic, one of the new U.S. battlewagons steams along on a mission. This picture was taken from the deck of an accompanying ice-trimmed destroyer.



Take Your Pick of These Shapely Eye-Fulls

Ships Built a Mile High—at Denver



At exactly one mile above sea-level in the Rocky Mountains, 1,297 miles from San Francisco, the U.S. Navy is fabricating portions of destroyers and shipping them to west coast ports from Denver steel mills. Here, Naval officers and these Rocky Mountain shipbuilders pose outside the factory from where ships go down to sea by rail.



This week, Gents, we're featuring three of these breath-takers. Take your pick. Left to right: Frances Rafferty, Dorothy Morris, and Vickie Lane. No APOs available.