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Allies Repel 9 Counter-Blows at Caen

Conduct of the War Will Go Unchanged, Is Dewey's Promise

He Pledges the U.S. To Victory and a Lasting Peace

CHICAGO, June 29—With a promise that "a change in administration cannot and will not involve any change in the military conduct of the war," Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, of New York, late last night accepted the Republican Presidential nomination and pledged himself to "preserve" the U.S. as "a free nation of free men."

Addressing the national convention in steaming Chicago after a flight from Albany, Dewey at the outset made clear that "the military conduct of the war is outside this campaign. Gen. (George C.) Marshall and Adm. (Ernest J.) King are doing a superb job. Thank God for both of them."

"Let us send this message to our Allies," he said. "The American people are united with you to the limit of our resources and manpower and are devoted to the single task of victory and the establishment of a firm and lasting peace."

"Must Defeat Will to Make War" "We must not merely defeat the armies and navies of our enemies," he said. "We must defeat once and for all their will to make war. Let them be taught to say, 'Never again.'"

Dewey told the convention he came "to this great task as a free man. I have made no pledges, promises or commitments, expressed or implied, to any man or woman. I shall make none except to the American people."

Urging his party to "face up boldly to the twin tasks of winning the war and making a lasting peace," he reaffirmed his support of the party's Mackinac Island declaration for responsible participation by the U.S. in an international security organization. At the same time, he asserted that only a "relative few believe it would be practical for America or her allies to renounce all sovereignty and join a super-state."

Turning to domestic issues, he criticized the Democratic Administration, "grown old in office," for "squabbles between Cabinet members, feuds between rival bureaucrats and bitterness between President and his own party members in and out of Congress."

Charges Bungling, Confusion "We have become familiar," he said, "with a spectacle of wrangling, bungling and confusion."

Asserting it would be "tragedy" if Americans returned from the armed forces "and failed to find freedom and opportunity," Dewey told the convention:

"Never again must free Americans face long continued mass unemployment. The present Administration has never solved this fundamental problem of jobs and opportunity. It has been consistently

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The War Today

France—Nine German tank counter-attacks beaten back by British and Canadian forces in Caen sector. . . . Allied planes slaughter German troop movements toward Caen. . . . Americans mop up German resistance in hills surrounding Cherbourg.

Air War—Up to 1,000 American heavy bombers hit four aircraft works, a synthetic-oil plant and other targets deep in Germany. RAF pounds flying-bomb installations. Ninth warplanes strike Nazi communications.

Russia—Russians drive west swiftly to cut off Minsk, push on toward Brest-Litovsk and Vilna in broadening offensive that Germans see as bid for "battle of annihilation."

Asia—Japanese advance forces 14th Air Force to give up air base at Hengyang, in Hunan Province of China. . . . Allies score gains at Myitkyina, north Burma.

Italy—Five towns fall to Fifth Army spearheads in twin advance on Siena and Leghorn in Italy. . . . Eighth Army also thrusts ahead.

Pacific—American forces gain on coast of Saipan Island in Marianas. . . . Japanese tell of aerial attack on U.S. surface fleet off Saipan.

One Dissenting Voter Is a Wisconsin Farmer

CHICAGO, June 29—Out of 1,057 delegates, the lone dissenter who voted again Gov. Thomas E. Dewey was identified today as Grant A. Ritter, Beloit (Wis.) dairy farmer.

Described as "heavy set and fighting mad," Ritter voted for Gen. Douglas MacArthur as the Presidential nominee, defying persuasion, the wrath of the Wisconsin Republican organization, cajolery and even threats.

His wife, told of her husband's tenacity, commented:

"I'm not surprised. He's always been like that. Once he makes up his mind he won't change it."

Japs' Advance Costs U.S. Big China Air Base

Chennault Forced to Pull Out of Hengyang; Allies Gain in N. Burma

Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault announced in Chungking yesterday that the U.S. 14th Air Force had abandoned its base at Hengyang, the largest in China, as Tokyo Radio claimed that Japanese troops had captured the Hunan Province city, which is also a junction of north-south and east-west railroads.

Loss of the big advance airfield was a serious blow to the whole strategy of Chinese defense against the Japanese invasion. From it U.S. planes had long operated with telling effect against the Japanese communication and transport lines along the Yangtze River and the enemy bases in south China.

Before pulling out, Chennault said, P51s dropped 100-pound bombs on the airfield and destroyed the runways. The Tokyo communique which reported that Hengyang had been occupied three days ago, however, claimed that Japanese already were using the field.

From other bases, U.S. airmen battled to stem the Japanese advance southward from Hengyang along the Hankow-Canton railroad, making concentrated attacks at a dozen points.

Against the embattled Japanese in northern Burma, meanwhile, Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's troops scored further successes in their drive from captured Mogaung and destroyed several bunkers and other strongpoints in Myitkyina.

Yanks Advance On Saipan Coast

American troops have advanced nearly two miles northward along the east coast of Saipan Island, in the Marianas, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz' communique reported yesterday.

The announcement also said that carrier-based bombers hit Rota and Guam, while warships shelled Tinian—all in the Marianas chain.

Meantime, a Tokyo report, quoted by the German News Agency, said that the Japanese fleet air arm yesterday attacked American battleships off the Marianas, "probably with good results." However, the message said no other details were available.

Capture of Hansa Bay on the northeastern coast of New Guinea by Australian troops was announced by Gen. Douglas MacArthur.

Farm Boom Seen

ITHACA, N.Y., June 29—U.S. farm income is at the highest level in history and the stage is set for a land boom in farm sections, Cornell University agricultural experts said.

Reds Smash To Within 35 Mi. of Minsk

Drive for Brest-Litovsk, Vilna Is Developing; Mogilev Seized

Rolling back the German armies at a tremendous cost to the Nazis in men and equipment, the Russians drove deep into the enemy's White Russian lines yesterday in a swift broadening of the Soviet summer offensive.

With Mogilev fallen, last of the Nazi "Fatherland Line" bastions to be overrun, the offensive took on the appearance of a gigantic operation to smash straight to the borders of East Prussia and into central Poland.

Where earlier in the week Minsk had seemed to be the Russians' next objective, yesterday that key communications point and last Nazi fortress on the central front appeared to be only one part of a grand-scale scheme to entrap the German armies and sweep on to Brest-Litovsk and Vilna—the roads to Warsaw.

Germans Admit Threat

German alarm over the "immensely powerful" drive was only thinly concealed. "The Russians are all out to force a battle of annihilation on the greatest possible scale on the central front," said Col. Ernst von Hammer, German News Agency commentator. "There can be no other meaning."

While three Russian central armies pushed forward in a concerted drive for Minsk—the nearest was only 35 miles away last night—a fourth cut straight from Vitebsk toward Vilna, 100 miles northwest of Minsk on the Minsk-Riga railroad, and a fifth moved swiftly west through the Pripet country toward Baranovichi, 70 miles southwest of Minsk, on the Minsk-Brest railway.

This last column yesterday had pushed on to the neighborhood of Slutsk, 70

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Heavies Range Over Germany

American heavy bombers yesterday struck their heaviest blow since D-Day against Germany, a force of up to 1,000 Fortresses and Liberators pounding four aircraft works, a synthetic-oil plant and other targets deep in the Reich.

Concentrating for the second time since the European landings on purely German objectives, the heavies split into task forces and scattered explosives over a wide area of Germany.

Over some localities the raiders encountered considerable Luftwaffe opposition, and escorting fighters shot down 33 interceptors and destroyed 16 Nazi craft on the ground. Preliminary reports indicated that the bombers, too, had taken a large toll of the German air force's carefully-hoarded fighter force.

While the American armada of some 1,750 planes was thundering over the heart of Hitlerdom, RAF bombers again roared out in daylight with fighter cover to batter flying-bomb installations in northern France, and Ninth Air Force fighter-bombers slashed at enemy communications, oil and ammunition dumps from Nantes to Charites.

In the afternoon, Marauders broke into an artillery duel to silence four German

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Germans Chided For Allowing Allied Airmen to Escape

STOCKHOLM, June 29 (UP)—An apparent indication that the Nazis could not trust people in Germany not to help Allied airmen to escape when they crashed in German territory appeared in Berlin newspapers today.

"It has often happened that airmen have escaped back to England or to Russia, due only to the public's unwatchfulness and laxity," said the newspapers according to the Berlin correspondent of the Scandinavian Telegraph Bureau. The speediest action in handling Allied airmen into custody was urged.

"If the fliers are not turned over to the authorities immediately, they have a good chance to escape, because they are well equipped with money and false papers, and in most cases can get help from foreign workers," the papers said.

Four-Hour Barrage By Artillery Helps Beat Off Nazi Tanks

Tops in Combat



Lt. Col. Francis E. Gabreski

Gabreski Bags His 27th Plane Over France

P47 Ace Equals Mark Set By Bong and Johnston, Now Both in U.S.

Lt. Col. Francis E. Gabreski, Eighth P47 pilot from Oil City, Pa., shot down his 27th German plane over France Tuesday to become the leading American ace in any combat theater.

Although Maj. Robert Johnston, of Lawton, Okla., destroyed 27 Germans in aerial combat in the ETO and Maj. Richard Bong, of Poplar, Wis., scored 27 kills in the Pacific, they both are now on non-combat duty in the U.S.

A squadron commander in the Thunderbolt group commanded by Col. Hubert Zemke, of Missoula, Mont., Gabreski would eclipse all U.S. records with one more kill.

Leading RAF ace is W/C Johnny Johnson, Spitfire pilot, who boosted his mark to 32 Wednesday by shooting down two Me109s over Normandy. With the double kill, Johnson equaled the record set by Sailor Malan, South African airman now on ground duty.

Nazi Gens. Jodl and Dietl Reported Killed in Crashes

An NBC broadcast from Sweden, quoting Berlin report, said yesterday that Gen. Jodl, German chief of staff, and Col. Gen. Dietl, Nazi commander in Finland, had been killed in plane crashes. "This has not been officially announced yet," the broadcaster said, "but Berlin correspondents have been permitted to write it, which lends some credence."

German Envoys Ordered Home

BUENOS AIRES, June 29 (AP)—The Argentine Foreign Ministry announced that the German diplomatic representatives here would be sent home July 6 and 12.

British, Canadians Smash On in Arc Around City

Beating back nine fierce counter-attacks by German tanks along the Caen-Tilly front, British and Canadian forces smashed forward yesterday in an arc half-surrounding Caen from the northeast to the southwest to strangle German communications with the strongpoint.

A murderous four-hour barrage by Allied guns, which fired more than 10,000 shells, broke up the heaviest counter-attack southwest of Caen.

The crack German division which opposed the main British advance southwest of Caen was cut up so badly that it had to be withdrawn from the line. It was learned at SHAEF that 121 German tanks had been destroyed in Normandy since D-Day and another 171 disabled.

Ike Confers With Commanders

Meanwhile, a dispatch from Advanced Allied Headquarters reported that Gen. Eisenhower held a series of important conferences this week at his main headquarters with all his commanders, with Prime Minister Churchill also present.

Bitter fighting raged north of Caen, where British and German tanks clashed head-on in savage duels, and rival gunners often fired at point-blank range. British tanks and infantry, after being hurled back three times, captured Chateau de la Londe, a strategic point about four miles north of Caen.

Allied attacks toward Caen are steadily expanding into "a mammoth battle," according to the Germans, who admitted that an unceasing flow of Allied men and supplies passed across the Odon River yesterday to strengthen the newly-won bridgehead southwest of Caen.

A second British foothold across the Odon north of Gavrus, widening the bridgehead to within a mile of Evrecy, was reported from the Allied front. The bridgehead now is between 16 and 20 miles long, by German estimates.

Diehards Wiped Out

At Cherbourg, massed Allied artillery and dive-bombers opened up yesterday morning against some German diehards holding out in a headquarters, which disappeared in smoke and flames after a direct hit.

The Germans were making a last stand in the Cap de la Hague area, northwest of Cherbourg, and were reported to be getting supplies from planes by night.

American patrols continued mopping up scattered German units in isolated strongpoints in the hills around the city. American and British warships, according to Paris radio, entered Cherbourg harbor.

Land forces in the Caen area were aided by great fleets of Allied airplanes which hammered desperate German

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GI Shins Up Pole in Hail Of Bullets to Affix Flag

CHERBOURG, June 29—A tiny American flag waved today from a flag-pole overlooking the port of Cherbourg.

It was hung there even before the city fell by an American soldier who shinned up the pole, despite bullets whistling all around him, tore down a Nazi swastika and ripped the flag off the shoulder of his field jacket.

Loop Around Caen Is Growing



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Why We Fight

TO know what one is fighting for is as much a part of a soldier's equipment as his weapons," says Lt. Gen. John C. H. Lee, Deputy Theater Commander. Lest, in our many tasks, we forget some of the reasons for America's part in the war we believe it timely to review some of the things we are fighting for as set forth by Lt. Gen. Brehon Somervell, Chief of the Army Service Forces...

Brave Supply Troops

TOO often the work done by the Services of Supply misses the spotlight of publicity. This generally results from the fact that supply operations are seldom spectacular and also because in any military campaign the battlefield stories of courage and danger dominate the attention of war correspondents who, seeking to please their customers, the general public, are out to cover the sensational.

Son of California

OUR recent editorial, "Texas by a Texan," seems to have aroused something akin to wrath in the bosom of Pvt. Walter S. Dryden, native son of California, who writes us as follows: "Second only to Texas in size, California leads the nation in the production of aircraft and ships; and, need I say, it produces enough oranges and citrus fruits to feed the world and enough wine and champagne to launch our fleet."

Hash Marks

Quip of the Week (sent in by Trudy Kirsch and Levitt of the ATC barber shop): "All men are born free and equal but some grow up and get married."

Conversation on the Home Front. A wife commented to her disgruntled hubby, "Men are fighting in rain, mud, foxholes and jungle and you complain about my mother coming to visit us!"

We stand ready to take back most of the unflattering things we've ever said about English beer. Here's a true story



of the war. A buzz-bomb hit a pub and levelled it to the ground. After a week of digging rescuers dragged the owner from the cellar—still alive. He had lived solely on beer. Guinness must be good for you!

Remark of a woman whose house was the victim of a flying bomb: "I do wish they had wound it up a little more."

Today's Simile. As conspicuous as a blonde hair on the shoulder of a dark man married to a brunette.

We see by the papers that a Los Angeles woman recently cremated her third husband. It seems unfair that the manpower is so bad for old maids while others have husbands to burn.

The APO clerks come through with the most amazing stunts! 1/Lt. Gaston M. Randolph, of Asheville, N.C., received a letter addressed as follows: Lt. G. M. Randolph; Some P47 Group; Somewhere in the ETO.

Pvt. Lester Saks tells us this akshilly happened back in the States. A couple of truckloads of German prisoners were



hailed from camp to a nearby town to do a job. Returning to camp, the guard found one man missing. A few hours later the Nazi turned up and complained, "Why did you leave me behind? I had to walk all the way." "Why didn't you try to escape?" asked one of the guards. Still peeved, the Nazi snapped, "I never would have given up in the first place if I didn't want to be a prisoner in the U.S.A."

We've got a hunch that the once popular Cooks Tours won't do so well after the war unless they change the name—too many guys have done KP. J. C. W.

U.S. Artillery Saves Infantry Lives

Big Guns' Pounding Makes It Easier For Doughboys

By Bud Hutton

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer CHERBOURG—The battle of Cherbourg was a clean-cut example of the American policy of using shell and bomb to save American lives.

Against concrete and steel emplacements the Germans built around the Channel port, American artillery and war planes hurled thousands of tons of explosives to smash open a way for the foot soldiers to reduce heavily defended points by arms rather than to squander infantrymen's lives in frontal assaults. The guns and the bombers didn't make it a walk-over, but they made it less difficult.

For the artillerymen, the battle of Cherbourg was mostly a serious numbers' racket—the targets were impersonal things removed from their own sight usually, and return fire of the enemy came from beyond the ridges or woods, impersonal, too, even when it hit. Only the forward observers who moved up with the infantry to telephone back corrections on firing were part of the hand-to-hand and grenade-distance fighting.

The artillery was proud the way it kept the guns moving up the peninsula and ready every time the infantryman called for assistance. The men at K-rations and C-rations dug their beds at night, counted the dead and wounded from snipers, bombs and counter-battery fire and the screaming-needies sent over by Jerry's nebelwerfers. Mostly, though, they were full of admiration for the infantry—"the doughs," the artillery calls them.

"Those 'doughs' have the stuff," 1/Lt. R. F. MacGillivray, of Washington, a spotter for 155mm. howitzers, said. "Anything the artillery can do is no more than enough."

It's the sort of feeling which turned the howitzer gang out of their foxholes



Keystone Photos

American artillerymen had to mop up enemy resistance before they put their guns in position near Cherbourg. Above, they are seen advancing at the double across ground strewn with dead Germans and dead cattle. Right, a German pillbox after U.S. guns went to work on it.

at night to answer a quick call. It's the same feeling which prompted Sgt. Max MacMillian, of Montzuma, Ind., to bet a week's rations that his No. 3 section could get off three rounds faster than any gun in the battery.

The 155-mm. howitzer people are anxious lest their 155s be confused with the much-publicized 155 Long Tom. The howitzers toss a 95-pound projectile and 1/Lt. Elliott Johnson, of Portland, Ore., said that his crew could feed steel and bags of powder into the "hows" all day long and all night, too—and have done so—without stopping to sleep, if it would help the infantry.

"The artillery has its own esprit de corps, but it reaches out and wants to lend a hand wherever it can," the brigadier general commanding the Fourth Division artillery said. "American artillery training and tactics—on the record to date—have given this Army the best artillery in the world."

Kids like Pvt. T. K. Hall, of Elgin, Tenn., made esprit here. Hall had a dog in England, sort of a collie. When the



outfit was alerted, Hall asked if he could bring the dog along and was told he could, if the dog didn't take up too much room and if the dog could do something to help win the war.

Hall, assisted by the rest of his section, took the dog out to the downs and worked for hours on end to teach the pup to go through a culvert when wire had been tied to her collar. They went back and showed the officers that "Tuppence" could help lay communications wire by getting through culverts too small for a man. And Tuppence made the invasion trip.

German Leans Out Of Frying Pan and Lands in the Fire

By G. K. Hodenfield

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer WITH AMERICAN FORCES IN CHERBOURG, June 29—Bits and pieces: One of the best stories to date concerns the German sniper who stuck his head up over a mound of dirt running along a hedgerow and poked his machine-pistol over in order to open fire on American troops in front of him. Two men lying on the other side of the hedgerow grabbed the gun, pulled the Jerry over, and a third man shot him.

French civilians wearing German boots told of an extensive black market among troops in Cherbourg. A pair of boots could be had for six bucks, and there were plenty to go round. Blankets and underwear also were available.

Pvt. Oliver Poest, of Holland, Mich., was lying in a fox-hole near the front lines, waiting for orders to move up in support of advancing troops, when the mailman came by and delivered a letter from his girl-friend, mailed just nine days before.

Three months ago Pfc Jacob Fritz, of Chicago, wrote home for films. They didn't arrive, so just before D-Day he sold his camera. The films were delivered to him two days ago near the front lines.

Cherbourg's Fate Was Sealed With Seizure of Fort du Roule



Associated Press Photo This picture lends graphic proof of the statement that Fort du Roule was the key to Cherbourg. Here American soldiers are seen after they captured the stronghold, while in the distance lies Cherbourg, commanded by guns from the fort.

By John Wilhelm

REUTER Correspondent WITH U.S. TROOPS IN CHERBOURG, June 26 (delayed)—Key point to the fall of Cherbourg was the great Fort du Roule—an armed bastion rising several hundred feet in the heart of the city.

The storming of this position by American infantry equipped with bazookas and bangalore torpedoes enabled other forces to fight their way into the streets of the city.

I accompanied an infantry battalion which blasted pillboxes one by one until they gained control of Fort du Roule.

U.S. soldiers rushed the pillboxes, dropping grenades and torpedoes down ventilators and chimneys and forcing the garrison to capitulation.

The fortress fell through the actual infliction of death and destruction to its occupants, as huge stores of German food, liquor and ammunition were found in the huge multi-storied structure.

The Germans had converted this ancient bastion commanding the harbor into a modern fortification comparable with the Maginot structure.

Machine-gun posts, with heavy guns, in some instances, jutted from the roofs and parapets. A network of tunnels stretched underground to outlying pillboxes.

Dead Germans were found still at their posts with rifles in their hands throughout the fortress. Many of them had been shot straight through the forehead.

German prisoners said U.S. artillery "terrorized the defenders."

This Is The Army

THE Chandler brothers of Milledgeville, Ga.—Lt. Col. Fitzhugh H., Capt. Herbert N. and Capt. Philip M.—recently held their first reunion in five years. The three are serving with different infantry outfits. A fourth brother who was not present for the ETO get-together is Capt. Emory A. Chandler, on duty somewhere in the South Pacific.

When Cpl. Sam F. Seibert, of Elizabethtown, Pa., a sub-depot carpenter shop worker at the Flying Fortress base commanded by Col. Harold W. Bowman, of Washington, D.C., arrived in the ETO, he decided to become a coin collector. In almost a year he has collected more than 1,300 coins representing 137 countries. Coins from Burma, China, Rumania, Chile, India, Peru, Norway, Egypt, Persia and Turkey, most of them obtained from Allied servicemen he has met in London and other parts of England, are in the collection.

Notes from the Air Force

PILOTS from Lt. Col. George L. Wertenbaker Jr.'s Ninth Air Force Thunderbolt group who flew four missions from an advanced landing strip in Normandy were full of praise for the men who built and maintain the strips.

"It's incredible what those men are doing," said 1/Lt. John W. Bristol, of Staten Island, N.Y. "They live on K rations, never take a rest. They get strafed nearly every night, so they sleep next to slit trenches and just roll over when the Jerries come."

Love finds a way even in the tumult of a beachhead, according to 1/Lt. Carl M. Bickel, of El Monte, Cal., a Mustang pilot.

"I swooped down to the deck chasing an FW190 over the French coast," he said, "and as I crossed an open space at 25 feet, I saw a young Frenchman and a young girl, gazing up intently at me, holding hands."

HUBERT by SGT. DICK WINGERT



"Phew! Somethin's beginnin' to stink around here!"

Yankees Down Browns; Cards Lose Two to Phils

Conn in ETO; First Exhibition Planned July 10

No. 1 Challenger for Heavy Title Will Not Fight Joe Louis Here

By Tony Cordaro

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Cpl. Billy Conn, the No. 1 contender for S/Sgt. Joe Louis' heavyweight title, is the newest addition to the ETO's rapidly growing boxing family, having arrived at the Replacement Center last night.

Tipping the scale at 205, more than 25 pounds over his best fighting weight, Billy the Kid will open a week's training schedule at Kingston today before embarking on an exhibition tour.

Tentative plans call for his first exhibition appearance on July 10. Boxers located in this theater will be secured to act as sparring partners. Two prospective opponents are Cpl. Leo Matricianni, of Baltimore, Air Force heavyweight champion, and Cpl. Hal Raskin, Air Force light heavyweight. Other boxers will be added to the troupe.

If Louis and Conn cross paths in the ETO it will be strictly a social affair.

Conn has been assured of a return match with the champion immediately following the end of the war. In their first tussle in 1941 Conn came within two rounds of wresting the diadem from the Brown Bomber. He was winning on points at the start of the 13th round, but gambled on a knockout instead of settling for a decision. The gamble proved costly and he was counted out in the 13th.

The No. 1 challenger, who is 26 years old, has been in the Army more than two years.

No Welcome Mat Out For Navy Gridders

BAINBRIDGE, Md., June 29—Any coach would mortgage his right arm for the eight former professional gridgers currently being kicked around like a football by the Navy.

Recently officials at the Great Lakes Naval Station said they had assigned the eight men to Naval Training Station here because of a promise to Big Ten schools not to use play-for-pay gridgers this fall. However, Bainbridge authorities declared they knew nothing about the "deal" and the men "probably will not be permitted to play even if they showed up."

The eight include: Joe Vodicka and Al Matusa, guard and center of the Chicago Bears; Andy Uram, Green Bay Packer back; Bob Morrow and Joe Bukans, Chicago Cardinal backs; Lou Rymkus, Washington Redskins guard; Len Janiak, Brooklyn Tiger back, and Dick Beltz, Pittsburgh Steeler back.

Ups and Downs of Steeplechase Racing



Jockey C. Brooks assumed this "standing" pose as he sailed out of the saddle at Pimlico when his mount, Katahdin, stumbled to his head and knees at the 13th fence in a two-mile steeplechase event.

Bombers Move Up to Second; Bengals Slump

4-1 Loss to Griffs Drops Detroit to Seventh; Cubs Clip Bums

NEW YORK, June 29—Luke Sewell's visiting firemen from St. Louis came to the big city yesterday to open a 20-game jaunt with the firm hope of improving their position atop the American League race. The debut was inauspicious, however, as the Browns fell before the Yankees, 7-2, permitting the New Yorkers to return to second place, three and a half games behind the Browns.

An inside-the-park home run by George Strinweiss paraded the Bombers to their fifth straight victory as Atley Donald scattered eight hits over the route. Bob Muncrief, departing after four turbulent innings, was the loser.

The Red Sox extended their current winning spree to eight in a row and displaced the White Sox in third place by victimizing the Dykesmen, 4-3, in a twilight duel at Boston. Manager Joe Cronin's double drove in Pete Fox in the seventh with what proved to be the winning run. Joe Bowman was the winner, Orval Grove his victim.

The hapless Tigers slumped into seventh place by losing to the Senators, 4-1, in a night game as Johnny Niggeling spun a three-hitter. Only Eddie Mayo, Roger Cramer and Rufus Gentry touched Niggeling for safeties, while the Griffs pummeled Gentry for nine blows.

Tribe in Cellar
A 7-3 verdict over the Indians lifted the Athletics to sixth place and dropped the Tribe deeper into the cellar. Aided by an inside-the-park circuit smash by Dick Siebert, Don Black checked the Indians with eight hits and struck out 11, while Paul Calvert suffered the loss.

In the National League, the Phillies outlasted the Cardinals, 6-5, in a two-inning stint which completed their unfinished contest of May 16, then whitewashed the champions, 4-0, in their regularly scheduled night game. Max Lanier was tagged with both defeats, having been lifted May 16 with the Redbirds trailing 4-1 in the fourth inning. Charlie Schanz took credit for the abbreviated affair, while Ken Raffensberger's fourth-hit performance stymied the Redbirds in the finale.

War relief charities benefited to the tune of several thousand dollars as the Reds clipped the Braves, 4-3 in ten innings and 3-2, in a twilight-night doubleheader. Estel Crabtree's pinch single in the ninth of the opener knotted the count and showed the game into overtime, singles by Ray Mueller and Dain Clay producing the clincher in the tenth. Al Javery was tagged with the defeat; Jim Konstanty was the winner.

Crabtree, again pinch-hitting in the ninth, chased home Eddie Miller with the winning tally in the ninth stanza of the nightcap by cracking a single. Arnold Carter was credited with the decision, while Nate Andrews was the loser.

Bucs Clout Giants, 9-2
In another charity tilt the Pirates moved to within eight games of the Cardinals by walloping the Giants, 9-2, in a nocturnal game at Pittsburgh. Max Butcher held the New Yorkers to seven hits, while Rube Fischer was the loser. Phil Weintraub beamed to Umpire Jocko Conlan in the fourth over a decision and Pirate Manager Frankie Frisch charged out and demanded Weintraub be banned for delaying the game. Conlan agreed with Frisch in principle, if not in details, so he compromised and thumbed Uncle Frankie from the field. Temperamental Johnny Allen, third Giant pitcher, also was banished, his sentence coming in the seventh for throwing the rosin bag in protest of a decision.

Something strange occurred in Chicago yesterday—the Cubs swept a twin feature from the Dodgers, 12-6 and 6-2, proceeds from this affair also going into charitable coffers. Two homers by Bill Nicholson spearheaded the Bruin offensive in the first game as Bob Chipman, an ex-Flatbush hurler, outpitched Whit Wyatt. Four runs off Hal Gregg in the fourth inning of the windup assured victory for Hank Wyse, who turned back the Bums with seven scattered hits.

Former Dodger Scout Dead
NEW YORK, June 29—Larry Sutton, 85, who for 25 years scouted for the Dodgers, has died at his home here.

Revolta Cards 67 at Chicago

CHICAGO, June 29—Johnny Revolta carded a four-under-par 67 and his partner, Patty Berg, posted a 79 for a combined 146 to lead the professional-women's division of the Chicago Victory National Open golf championships. Another 18-hole round today concludes the pro-amateur, pro-senior and pro-women's events.

Pvt. Chick Harbert's 69 and veteran Chick Evans' 74 carried them to the front in the pro-senior competition, while Sammy Byrd and Bob Cochran lead the pro-amateur field with 138. Byrd shot a 70, Cochran clubbed a 68.

Pancho Reaches Collegiate Semis

EVANSTON, Ill., June 29—The latest victim of Pancho Segura was Stanley Clark, of California Tech, who bowed to the Ecuadorean star representing Miami University, 6-1, 6-3, in yesterday's quarter-finals of the National Collegiate tennis tourney.

Segura's semi-final foe will be Joe Willet, of Georgia Tech, who topped John Hickman, of Texas, 6-4, 6-3. In the other flight, Charlie Samson, of Notre Dame, drubbed Howard McCall, of Georgia Tech, 6-2, 6-3.

'Big Train' Still Has Zip in Old Flipper

WICHITA, Kan., June 29—There's still plenty of steam in baseballs flipped by Walter "Big Train" Johnson, the 56-year-old right-handed speedballer who is generally acknowledged to be the greatest all-time major league pitcher.

The former Washington twirler assisted in a War Bond rally here by pitching two innings in a semi-pro game. He fanned two, walked one and allowed one unearned run.

Haegg Beaten By Andersson

STOCKHOLM, June 29—The season's opening shot went to Arne Andersson here yesterday as he outfooted Gunder Haegg over the 1,500-meter distance in their first meeting in two years.

Andersson, who had been practicing a brisk finishing kick for the race because Haegg nipped him in the stretch the last time they duelled, outmaneuvered Gunder with that weapon in the final strides after letting Haegg set the early pace. Andersson's time was 3:50.2, .05.2 slower than his world record for the distance.



American League			
Boston 4, Chicago 3 (twilight)	Washington 4, Detroit 1 (night)	Philadelphia 7, Cleveland 3	New York 7, St. Louis 2
W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
St. Louis .38 28 .576	Washington .31 33 .484	New York .32 29 .525	Philadelphia .30 34 .469
Boston .34 31 .523	Detroit .30 35 .455	Chicago .30 28 .517	Cleveland .29 36 .446

National League			
Chicago 12, Brooklyn 6 (first game)	Chicago 6, Brooklyn 2 (second game)	Cincinnati 4, Boston 3 (first game, 10 innings, twilight)	Cincinnati 3, Boston 2 (second game, night)
Pittsburgh 9, New York 2 (night)	Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 5 (completion of Philadelphia 4, St. Louis 0 (night))	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
St. Louis .41 18 .695	Brooklyn .33 32 .508	Pittsburgh .32 25 .561	Boston .27 38 .415
Cincinnati .33 30 .524	Philadelphia .24 35 .407	New York .32 30 .516	Chicago .21 35 .375

Leading Hitters			
American League			
Tucker, Chicago	G AB R H Pct.	31 63 .366	
Hockett, Cleveland	55 212 23 72	.340	
Fox, Boston	43 172 29 58	.337	
Doerr, Boston	64 243 47 79	.325	
Siebert, Philadelphia	64 236 28 75	.318	

National League			
Walker, Brooklyn	G AB R H Pct.	66 254 40 96	.378
Musial, St. Louis	61 214 49 87	.372	
Weintraub, New York	58 196 39 66	.337	
Galan, Brooklyn	66 244 42 81	.332	
Hughes, Chicago	46 187 32 61	.326	

Runs Batted In			
American League—Stephens, St. Louis, 45;	Spence, Washington, 41;	Hayes, Philadelphia, 40;	National League—Weintraub, New York, 49;
Schultz, Brooklyn, 47;	Walker, Brooklyn, 46;		

More Night Games Sought by Browns, Cards, White Sox

CHICAGO, June 29—Teams so inclined may be granted additional night dates when major league moguls gather for a joint meeting at Pittsburgh, July 11—the night of the All-Star game—Kenesaw M. Landis, baseball czar, announced today.

Landis said the Cardinals already have requested permission to play their remaining home games under lights, except Sunday bookings, and the White Sox also want more night dates than now allotted. If granted, the Cards will play 13 more games at night. The Browns want seven more nocturnal contests, Landis revealed.

Other matters are expected to come up for discussion at the meeting, including possible changes in player contracts and methods of signing free agents.

Twilight Tear Captures \$10,000 Doreen Stakes

CHICAGO, June 29—Twilight Tear, the Calumet Farms' young lady, proved herself the outstanding filly of the season by capturing the \$10,000 added Doreen Stakes here yesterday, taking the six-furlong dash over Bell Song, a 50-1 shot, by half a length for her eighth straight triumph. Harriet Sue, owned by Hyman Friedberg, of Louisville, was third.

Conn McCreary, winner in the Derby and Preakness aboard Pensive, rode Twilight Tear to victory. Although suspended for the duration of the meeting after a rough ride Monday, McCreary will be permitted to fulfil his stake obligations.

Minor League Results

International League			
Jersey City 7, Rochester 2	Newark 4, Buffalo 1 (first game)	Newark 8, Buffalo 6 (second game)	Baltimore 8, Montreal 4
Syracuse 7, Toronto 5	W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
Baltimore .37 25 .597	Rochester .32 35 .478	Jersey City .37 28 .569	Toronto .30 37 .448
Albany 10, Utica 5	Hartford 6, Binghamton 4	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
Hartford .39 16 .709	Binghamton .25 30 .455	Albany .36 19 .655	Utica .21 31 .404
Williamsport 30 24 .556	Elmira .21 31 .404	Williamsport 30 24 .556	Elmira .21 31 .404
Wilkes-Barre 28 32 .467	Scranton .19 40 .322		

American Association			
Toledo 8, Milwaukee 7 (first game)	Toledo 10, Milwaukee 8 (second game)	Columbus 8, Kansas City 1	Minneapolis 7, Indianapolis 5
Louisville 3, St. Paul 2 (first game)	Louisville 10, St. Paul 5 (second game)	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
Milwaukee .46 22 .676	St. Paul .30 27 .526	Toledo .39 25 .609	Minneapolis .24 36 .400
Columbus .38 25 .603	Kansas City .19 42 .311	Louisville .38 25 .603	Indianapolis .19 42 .311

Southern Association			
Birmingham 11, Atlanta 4	Nashville 10, Little Rock 8 (first game)	Little Rock 14, Nashville 9 (second game)	Other teams not scheduled.
W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
Memphis .37 24 .607	Nashville .28 33 .459	Atlanta .36 24 .600	Knoxville .27 32 .458
Little Rock .37 26 .587	Chattanooga .25 31 .446	Birmingham .31 30 .508	N. Orleans .19 40 .322

Pacific Coast League			
Los Angeles 5, Seattle 3 (first game)	Seattle 4, Los Angeles 3 (second game)	Portland 6, Oakland 0	San Francisco 10, San Diego 4
San Francisco 10, San Diego 4	Sacramento 8, Hollywood 6	W L Pct.	W L Pct.
S. Francisco .44 37 .543	Los Angeles .40 40 .500	Portland .41 39 .513	Seattle .40 40 .500
San Diego .43 41 .512	Oakland .39 40 .494	Hollywood .43 41 .512	Oakland .39 40 .494
Hollywood .41 41 .500	Sacramento .34 44 .436		

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PHOTOGRAPH (taped inside helmet belonging to patient evacuated from France to England) of curly-haired young lady, wearing glasses. Her necklace made of coins. Her name is Mary and the picture was taken at Rogers Studio, 114 E. Wabasha, Watertown.

By Courtesy of United Features

By Al Capp



5 Towns Fall In Drives for Siena, Leghorn

One Allied Force 28 Miles From Port; French and 8th Army Advance

Five Italian towns fell to the Fifth Army yesterday as two spearheads rolled on toward the west-coast port of Leghorn and the inland communications center of Siena.

Advancing seven miles past captured San Vincenzo, one Allied force drove through Castagneto to within 28 miles of Leghorn.

In a simultaneous thrust, American units stabbed past Monteciano, 12 miles southwest of Siena.

To the east of the U.S. sector, French units of the Fifth Army pushed toward Siena from Montichiello, Pienza and Montalcino.

The Eighth Army occupied La Foce, northwest of Chiusi, and Frattavecchia, west of Lake Trasimeno.

It was announced at Allied headquarters yesterday that since May 1 the Allies had taken 32,000 prisoners, of which 25,000 were captured by the Fifth Army.

Germany Down To Oil Reserves

ALLIED HQ, Italy, June 29 (Reuter)—With production whittled down almost to nothing, Germany's war machine is now principally dependent on stored oil reserves to prevent it from stalling, it was officially stated today.

Nearly 4,800 aircraft have dropped 11,000 tons of bombs in 29 attacks against 22 refineries, storage depots and adjoining railway yards from Mediterranean bases in the last 2 1/2 months.

Only two of the 22 refineries were considered to be actively producing oil as of June 15. Additional attacks have been carried out since.

More than half Germany's total oil production is within reach of Italy-based bombers, whose primary task is to destroy the crude oil refineries, especially the Ploesti installations in Rumania. The Ploesti plants, which alone accounted for 60 per cent of the total refined output and 35 per cent of the whole enemy natural oil production, have been blasted by eight attacks.

Their production is now described as "at a low ebb" and many plants will be out of commission for months.

Following the main attacks on Ploesti, the Italy-based heavy bombers have been working on the smaller refineries and storage reserves in Austria, Hungary, the Balkans, northern Italy and southern France.

In the meantime, more than half the German synthetic-oil production has been knocked out by Eighth Air Force planes based in England.

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gun positions on the Cap de la Hague, in the northwestern corner of the Cherbourg Peninsula.

Sweeping in under clouds, the B26s released their explosives from 6,000 feet—about half their usual bombing altitude. Crews reported that the guns were not firing when they left.

Targets of the heavies included aircraft works at Brunswick, Leipzig, Oschersleben, Aschersleben, Fallersleben and a synthetic-oil refinery near Leipzig.

Yesterday's widespread assaults followed a night in which the RAF bombed rail yards at Metz, 30 miles west of the German border, the neighboring city of Blainville and other objectives around Nancy, 30 miles south of Metz.

Radio Highlights

AFN—In the United Kingdom—1000 hours—2300 hours

On Your Dial
1175 kc. 1402 kc. 1411 kc. 1420 kc. 1447 kc.
218 fm. 213.9m. 212.6m. 211.3m. 207.3m.

Friday, June 30

- 1005—Victory Parade with Sammy Kaye.*
- 1015—Personal Album with Anita.*
- 1100—Army Talks.
- 1130—Duffie Bag.*
- 1345—Melody Roundup.
- 1400—Visiting Hour (Great Gildersleeve).
- 1530—On the Record.*
- 1700—Joe Richman Orchestra.*
- 1730—London Column.
- 1745—Hawaiian Serenade.
- 1755—American Sports Roundup.*
- 1805—GI Supper Club.
- 1905—Fred Allen with Portland Hoffa, Mighty Allen Art Players.*
- 2000—Home News from the U.S.A.*
- 2005—Duffy's Tavern.*
- 2030—California Melodies—Frank Duval's Orchestra.*
- 2115—Paul Whiteman Presents.
- 2145—Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians.
- 2200—Kay Kyser's Kollege.*
- 2230—Suspense.

AEF on the Continent—0555 hours—2300 hours

- On Your Dial
1050 kc. 285m.
- 0600—Rise and Shine.
- 0830—John Charles Thomas.
- 0915—AEF Ranch Home.
- 1030—Music While You Work with Harry Davidson Orchestra.*
- 1215—Stanley Black Orchestra.
- 1315—Theater Orchestra.*
- 1500—Music While You Work with Joe Loss Orchestra.*
- 1830—GI Journal.
- 1915—RCAF Dance Orchestra.
- 2230—One Night Stand with Teddy Powell.

* Indicates programs heard on both networks.

A Crippled Fortress Lands Safely When Nature Lends Hand

AN EIGHTH FORTRESS BASE, June 29—Coming back from France yesterday, the Fort piloted by Capt. Joseph D. Lowe, of Naperville, Ill., had its hydraulic system shot out, which meant no brakes for the landing. At least the crew thought so.

As the ship neared its base Lowe toyed with the idea of using parachutes. He had read in the Stars and Stripes that parachutes strung from their windows had enabled three brakeless bombers to come to successful stops. However, engineer T/Sgt. Preston Morrison, of Tulsa, Okla., suggested a better idea.

Morrison, along with 1/Lt. Bobby D. Allen, of Jackson, Tenn., bombardier, and 1/Lt. Arthur B. Murphy, of Haddonfield, N.J., navigator, urinated in a flak helmet. Morrison then transferred the liquid with a makeshift funnel to the hydraulic tube, which he had patched up in the meantime.

Lowe brought the ship down to a smooth stop. The brakes worked perfectly.

Repel Attacks In Caen Area

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attempts in daylight to move up infantry and tanks to reinforce their shattered lines west of the city. A staff officer at the front said, "German movement on the roads is being slaughtered by our planes."

The German counter-attacks were not on a major scale. The Nazis reported that their biggest one had been thrown in to halt the British outflanking drive around Caen from the Villers-Bocage road.

The strongest German counter-attack was thrown at the flanks of the British spearhead 4 1/2 miles southwest of Caen, near the villages of Grainville, on the main road and railway from Villers-Bocage to Caen, and Mondrainville.

A total of 150 German tanks was believed to be in this sector. Allied correspondents said the German tanks were formed in groups of 20 to 30, and that attacks were made in sallies by five or six tanks at a time.

German infantry north of Caen defending Chateau de la Lond, which the British took after four assaults, was entrenched in dug-in tanks. British tanks roared up so close that German gunners were either mowed down or threw up their hands helplessly, one report said.

Allied guns which fire shells filled with inflammable liquid in simultaneous volleys were reported by the Germans to be in use on the Caen front.

Russia - - - -

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miles west of Bobruisk and 60 due south of Minsk, according to the Germans.

Moscow dispatches said yesterday that it was plain even now, only a week after the offensive began, that the Germans had suffered what United Press' M. S. Handler called "an enormous defeat."

He said Russian generals who planned the campaign were astonished by the completeness of the Nazi defeats. At one point where Soviet tanks and Tommy-guns ambushed a German artillery unit escaping from Orsha through peat-bogs, the Russians found "an inextinguishable mass of dead men, carts, horses, rifles, guns and trucks. The trail of shattered supply lorries stretched for more than two miles."

Handler quoted one Russian general who saw it:

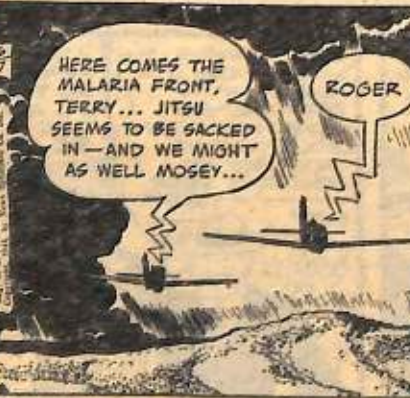
"No army anywhere in the world has ever suffered such defeats as the German Army. During the worst days in 1941 we did not live through one-tenth of what the German Army is experiencing now."

Meanwhile, behind the swiftly-advancing front line, fierce mopping-up operations went on against five German divisions trapped southeast of Bobruisk. The encircled Nazis launched 14 attempts to break the ring but all failed.

Mail Early for Christmas, Sweating Chicago Is Told

CHICAGO, June 29—While Chicago wilted in 95-degree heat, the hottest day of the year, Postmaster Ernest J. Krueger posted notices advising relatives and friends of servicemen overseas that Christmas mail and packages must be sent between Sept. 15 and Oct. 15.

Terry and the Pirates



Thumbnail Sketches

Of the Two Republican Candidates



Thomas E. Dewey

Born 42 years ago in Owosso, Mich., Dewey was a farm boy, Boy Scout, newsboy, choir singer and printer's devil. At the University of Michigan he developed his baritone voice and began to think of singing as a career. At a New York music school he met Frances Eileen Hutt, Texas mezzo-soprano, and on June 16, 1928, they were married.

Meanwhile, Dewey finished a law course at Columbia in 1925, worked with Republican leaders in the so-called "silk stocking" district of Manhattan, and eventually, when earning \$8,000 a year as a lawyer, was appointed Assistant U.S. attorney.

Through income-tax evasion actions, he prosecuted racketeers hitherto almost untouchable. In 1934 he resigned to resume private practice, but when a grand jury found evidence of an alliance between racketeers and politicians and demanded a special prosecutor, Gov. Herbert H. Lehman gave the job to Dewey. Dewey chalked up 72 convictions out of 73 cases tried.

In 1937, as Republican-Fusion candidate for district attorney of New York, Dewey won by a wide margin and in six months disposed of more than 9,000 cases. In 1938 Dewey ran against Lehman for governor and lost, but he ran again in 1942—after having watched Wendell Willkie win the GOP Presidential nomination in 1940—and won decisively.

Dewey, five feet eight and one-half inches tall and weighing 150 pounds, spends much time on his 300-acre farm at Pawling, N.Y., where he lives with Mrs. Dewey and their sons, Thomas E. Jr., born in 1932, and John Martin, born in 1935.



John W. Bricker

Bricker, three times governor of Ohio, will be 51 Sept. 6. He was born with a twin sister, Ella, in a log cabin near Mount Sterling, Ohio, attended a township school, went to high school in Mount Sterling and then on to Ohio State University, where he took his bachelor of arts degree in 1916. He entered law college and passed the state bar examination a year later. In college he was catcher on the baseball team.

World War I interrupted his study and he joined the Army as a chaplain, but the war ended before he went overseas. He was rejected for combat service because of a slow heart beat; he said he had tried to enlist in both the Army and the Navy.

He married Harriet Day, of Urbana, O., and after the war he finished school and became city attorney of Grandview Heights, a Columbus suburb. In 1923 he was named assistant Ohio attorney general, but quit after four years to resume private practice. In 1929 he was appointed a member of the State Utilities Commission, three years later was elected attorney general, won a second term in 1934.

In 1936 Bricker made a bid for the governorship but lost. Two years later he won, and has been there since.

During his administration thousands of state employees were lopped off the payroll, while Ohio's financial situation rose from a \$40,000,000 deficit, when he took office in 1939, to a \$75,000,000 surplus last January.

The Brickers have one son, Jack, 13. The governor, better than six feet tall, white-haired and weighing a bit over 200 pounds, retains an athletic figure and still likes to golf and fish.

Dewey Pledges Lasting Peace

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hostile and abusive of American business and American industry."

Reaction to the party's platform was varied. President William Green of the American Federation of Labor described it as disappointing. An official spokesman for John L. Lewis' United Mine Workers, K. C. Adams, editor of the UMW Journal, said, on the other hand, it was "the best platform the GOP has ever offered labor."

The UMW stand was viewed as a strong indication Lewis would throw his support to the Republicans again this year, as he did in 1940.

The Republican New York Herald-Tribune deplored the convention's failure to listen to younger elements, and bemoaned "such stubborn stupidity as (Sen. Robert A.) Taft's pledging the party to a two-third Senate ratification of not only treaties but agreements."

Rescue in Burning Plane Wins 3 Soldier's Medal

NINTH AIR FORCE HQ, June 29—For rescuing the unconscious pilot from a burning Thunderbolt fighter-bomber before the plane's bomb exploded, three enlisted men were awarded the Soldier's Medal, it was announced here.

Their commanding officer, Col. George L. Wertenbaker Jr., of Charlottesville, W. Va., presented the medals to Sgt. James E. Sestak, of Swissvale, Pa.; Sgt. Martin J. Mullen, of North Adams, Mass., and Cpl. Frank Mammolito, of Newark, N.J.

Garner and Farley Accused of Plotting Democratic 'Revolt'

RICHMOND, Va., June 29—Charges of a "plot" by former Democratic National Chairman James A. Farley and former Vice-President John Nance Garner and "others" to effect a Southern "revolt" against the Roosevelt political interests were leveled today by Rixey Smith, secretary to the veteran Sen. Carter Glass.

Garner and Farley conferred for an hour in Uvalde, Tex., yesterday, but neither would comment afterward.

Smith declared: "Renegade Democrats with a satchel full of carpetbag money have hatched up a plot. Whatever it is, it is the most diabolical attempt ever made to destroy the democracy our boys are fighting for on the beachheads of Europe. The whole unholy plot will be exposed."

De Gaulle Will Visit U.S. July 5-9, French Declare

ALGIERS, June 29 (UP)—The official French headquarters here announced that Gen. De Gaulle intended to visit Washington July 5-9 in order to "visit President Roosevelt, but not for negotiations." It is understood that De Gaulle will visit the Pope and French troops in Italy before going to Washington.

Honor Greer Garson, Bogart

WASHINGTON, June 29—"GI Oscars" have been presented to screen stars Greer Garson and Humphrey Bogart by the War Department on behalf of American troops stationed in the Southwest Pacific.

NEWS FROM HOME Floods Cause Vast Damage in Eastern Iowa

Farm Areas Inundated In Four Counties; Hail Adds to Havoc

CLINTON, Ia., June 29—Floods and cloudbursts in four eastern Iowa counties—Clinton, Jones, Cedar and Jackson—have inundated thousands of acres of farmland and killed large numbers of livestock and poultry in the last few days. More than 11 inches of rain fell in 36 hours at Oxford Junction. In other sections, hail and wind added to the damage. Authorities reported no deaths. Several main highways have been washed out. The main lines of two Chicago railroads were under water at several points.

Tornado Toll 154

PITTSBURGH, June 29—The death toll from a tornado which ripped through parts of West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Maryland last Friday night has mounted to 154. Additional deaths were reported from Shinnston and Clarksburg, W. Va., and McKeesport, Pa., three of the hardest-hit communities.

Court Rules Against Bridges

SAN FRANCISCO, June 29—Harry Bridges, West Coast labor leader, suffered another setback in his fight against deportation to Australia when the Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld a lower court's denial of a writ of habeas corpus. Attorney Gen. Francis Biddle has ordered Bridges deported as a undesirable alien.

Sen. Clark Defeated

BOISE, Idaho, June 29—Glen H. Taylor, former cowboy singer from Pocatello, is the official winner of the state's Democratic senatorial nomination, the state election canvass board announced. Taylor defeated the incumbent, Sen. D. Worth Clark, by 216 votes in the primary two weeks ago.

City May Buy Gas Company

LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 29—The city is negotiating to buy the Louisville Gas and Electric Co. in a deal which would be the largest municipal-ownership transaction in the nation's history, Mayor Wilson W. Wyatt said. The estimated purchase price is \$80,000,000.

Vote Law Test Suit Filed

CHICAGO, June 29—Three soldiers serving overseas have filed a suit in Federal court to compel the state of Illinois to count federal ballots under the soldier-vote law. The servicemen's representative said the purpose of the suit was to test validity of the law.

Confidence Men Get 5 Years

MIAMI, June 29—Five-year jail terms were handed three confidence men convicted of swindling an elderly Pennsylvania couple out of their \$31,000 life savings.

Used-Car Price Ceilings

WASHINGTON, June 29—Price ceilings will go into effect on used cars July 10, OPA announced. However, it denied that second-hand cars would be rationed after that date.

Cut Naval Pilot Output

WASHINGTON, June 29—A substantial reduction in the number of pilots being trained for the Navy was announced by the Navy Department.

Warn Civilians Again on Travel

WASHINGTON, June 29—Civilians who plan railroad travel this summer—especially over July 4—were warned for the second time in two weeks yesterday that they might be ejected from their sleeping berths in the middle of the night in order to accommodate wounded soldiers from Normandy.

Plans for moving wounded troops from ports to hospitals in the U.S. have been laid on the assumption that "ten times as many will be transported as in the pre-invasion period," ODT said. ODT said American railroads were moving twice the freight they did in the last war.

By Milton Caniff