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'Monty' Grab Denounced

Ward Counsel Demands Injunction Be Quashed; Biddle Upholds Seizure

CHICAGO, May 2-Contending that no similar action had been taken "since the days of King John," counsel for Montgomery Ward and Co. yesterday attacked government seizure of the firm's Chicago plant as without legal foundation and appealed to a Federal Court to quash a temporary injunction restraining the company from interference with

U.S. operation of the plant.
Appearing in person in the crammed courtroom of Judge William H. Holly to defend the government's action, Attorney General Francis Biddle countered by declaring that President Roosevelt "has a great Constitutional reserve of power as commander-in-chief of the Army and Navy," that his authority was sufficient to place the facilities in federal hands, and that "no business of any kind is immune from that power."

from that power."

Basis for the legal argument was Biddle's petition for a permanent restraining order. The jurist issued a temporary order last Thursday night, and the com-pany countered with a motion to dismiss

Might Bring Eviction Action

If the court quashed the order it would pave the way for a company suit to evict the government operators of the plant and effect the return of Sewell Avery, presi-dent and board chairman of the mailorder firm, who was ejected forcibly when troops took over his offices. The litigation was watched closely

throughout the entire country as a test of the President's power. The White House ordered the seizure after Avery refused to obey a War Labor Board directive to extend a contract with a ClO

Harold Smith, a Ward lawyer, asserted at the hearing that Biddle "hasn't been able to put his finger on a single statutory provision that justifies the seizure." Biddle insisted the President, under the War Labor Disputes Act, had a right and duty to put the plant under federal management to prevent a spread of wartime labor disturbances, and he submitted that Ward's business was essential to the

mar ward's business was essential to the general war program.

Meanwhile, Rep. Eugene Cox (D.-Ga.), ranking member of the House Rules Committee, said he had been "assured" that the group would report to the full membership of the House tomorrow a resolution for investigation of the seizure.

An investigator sent to Chicago by the Senate Judiciary Committee was expected to return to Washington Wednesday, and Chairman Pat McCarran (D.-Nev.) pre-dicted that prompt committee action

would follow his report.

McCarran said, "The question uppermost in the minds of Congress is, are we preserving a government by law which is basic to this form of democracy, or are we by any misinterpretation or over-step forgetting that we are a government by law and attempting to set up a government of men.

Rep. Clare Hoffman (R.-Mich.) intro-duced legislation today which would require that a plant such as Montgomery Ward have at least 50 per cent of its output definitely classed as war material before the government might seize it to end a labor dispute.

21 Nazis Caught Escaping From Denmark Executed

STOCKHOLM, May 2 (AP)— wenty German soldiers and one officer, caught Saturday by a German patrol boat while trying to escape in a fishing smack from Helsingor, in Den-mark, to Sweden, were immediately executed, Free Danish Press Service re-

TheWarToday

Air War-Liberators bomb Pas de Calais, fleets of other U.S. mediums, lights and fighter-bombers attack France and Belgium transport in 18th day of pre-invasion blitz; blows follow RAF assaults on occupied territory and Germany itself.

Russia-Russians' bomber attacks on Brest Litovsk increase speculation on possible direct smash across Poland: stepped-up attacks on Sebastopol anticipated by Germans.

Pacific—Americans pummel Japs
Who have fled into hills of
New Guinea; 677 killed in one sector alone; warships patrolling coast to pre-vent escape by sea sink four Japanese

Court Hears Pyle, GI Joe of Correspondents, Honored for His Soldier Stories

Gets Pulitzer Prize, But Regards Infantryman's Praise Equal Tribute

By Charles F. Kiley

ars and Stripes Staff Writer Ernie Pyle, Scripps-Howard columnist for more than 300 newspapers, who re-cently arrived in London from Italy, yes-

cently arrived in London from Italy, yes-terday received two messages.

One told the diminutive gray-haired newsman he had been awarded a Pulitzer-Prize for "distinguished correspondence during the year." The other, contained in a letter written by an American infantryman at Anzio to a friend in the U.S. and forwarded to Pyle, described the GI Joe of war correspondents as "the best reporter in the whole damn world" best reporter in the whole damn world" and wondered "how a dried-up, little guy

like that gets around so much."

Pyle wasn't sure which of the tributes

The 43-year-old newsman, who probably has filed more copy on the American soldier at the front than any four others, was one of five named for the Pullstan Prize awards.

the Pulitzer Prize awards.

The others were Daniel DeLuce of the Associated Press, who reported from Poland, Greece, Burma, North Africa, Italy and Jugoslavia, for "a distinguished example of telegraphic reporting on inter-national affairs"; AP's Frank Filan for photography on the war fronts, Henry J. Haskell for editorials in The Kansas City



Stars and Stripes Photo

Ernie Pyle

Star, and author Martin Flavin for his

novel, "Journey in the Dark."

Byron Price, director of press censorship in Washington, was given special mention for "creation and administration of a newspaper and radio code."

Probably the smallest of war corre-(Continued on page 4)

Brest Litovsk Bombing Swells Speculation on Poland Drive

Soviet mass bombing of the important junction of Brest Litovsk, following attacks on Lwow and German supply points behind the central front, increased speculation yesterday that the Russians have begun a systematic softening-up campaign in preparation for a full-scale assault on the shortest route to Berlin-straight across Poland.

Tydings Wins Renomination

Maryland Primary Over, Nation Eyes Alabama, Florida Balloting

WASHINGTON, May 2-Maryland Democrats appeared today to have reno-minated Sen. Millard Tydings, while voters in two other states balloted in senatorial primaries closely watched by politicians for possible clues to fourth-term sentiment in the "solid South."

Strong Administration senators sought renomination in Florida and Alabama. Sen. Claude Pepper, of Florida, ultra New Dealer, had four opponents. Sen. Lister Hill, of Alabama, Democratic whip in the Senate, was opposed by James A. Simpson, Birmingham corporation lawyer and veteran state legislator, in a contest involving the Administration's domestic program, with the race question heavily underscored. Both Hill and Simpson have taken stands for white supremacy and segregation in the South, but each charged the other with acts against the maintenance of traditional Southern

Returns from Monday's Maryland voting from 450 of Baltimore's 471 pre-cincls gave Tydings a two-to-one lead over Willis Jones, of Baltimore, ardent fourth-term advocate, and incomplete re-ports from the rest of the state upheld hat margin. Stephen Peddicord and Vincent Long trailed.

In the Republican senatorial primary, Paul Robertson, Republican committee chairman, led Rives Mathews, weekly newspaper publisher from Princess Anne, and Blanchard Randall Jr., bank presi-

Rep. Thomas D'Alessandro, Democrat, apparently won renomination from the Third District.

Briton Cites U.S. Contracts To Help the Soviet Rebuild

American business has enough con-"keop the whole U.S. machinery keyed up after the war," Ellis Smith, Labor member of Parliament, told Commons this week, inquiring "why Britain was left behind."

He said Americans had signed contracts amounting to approximately \$2,500,000,000 to supply the Soviet with machine tools and commodities.

Slavs Save U.S. Fliers

Eight American airmen shot down over Jugoslavia have been rescued by Par-tisans, Marshal Tito said yesterday in an order of the day.

In the absence of striking developments on land, Soviet communiques ments on land, Soviet communiques again were terse and unrevealing, but German reports forecast a heavier offensive at Sebastopol and spoke of flareups in the fighting around Vitebsk, the German base on the north-central sector, in the Polotsk area in northern White Russia, and north of Jassy in Rumania. Moscow dispatches said Russian troops were steadily driving the Germans back into the Carpathian foothills in spite of

into the Carpathian foothills in spite of efforts by freshly-brought-up German reserves, including tanks and self-propelled guns, to stabilize the front. The enemy was said to be launching repeated counter-attacks in the entire area from the Carchaelovak frontier coultward into the Czechoslovak frontier southward into Rumania

Soviet reporters said the Germans were suffering heavy losses, particularly in the Jassy area, where 600 were killed in 24

Russian long-range bombers striking at Brest Litovsk, a key junction on the road to Warsaw, battered troop trains loaded with troops and ammunition.

East and north of Sebastopol the Russians were said to be concentrating strong forces of heavy artillery. Col. Ernst von Hammer, military commentator of the German News Agency, reporting reinforcement of the Red air force in the Crimea, said "it must be expected that large-scale attacks will be resumed in the very near future.'

Raiders Bag Crete Chief

18th Day of Blitz Sees New Blows at Calais And Nazi Transport

In Britain Seven Days, He's Been on 5 Raids

A LIBERATOR BASE, May 2-Sgt. Denis Brookshier, of Sentinel, Okla., has been in Britain for seven days-and he has flown five missions as a Liberator engineer-gunner, including a trip to Berlin, and has won his Air Medal.

Actually, Brookshier did not start percolating until three days after his arrival from the United States, when he was assigned to a bomber.

He compressed his five missions into four days-flying twice on his seventh day in the country.

Spain Knuckles Under: Reduces Nazis' Wolfram

Exports of Ore to Reich Slashed in Compromise Deal With Allies

WASHINGTON, May 2 (AP)-The State Department announced today a compromise agreement with Spain, cutting Spanish wolfram shipments to Germany to virtual token supplies which, it was implied, may be blocked completely when Allied forces invade the Continent.

The U.S. accepted the compromise at the insistence of the British, who are said to rely on Spain for certain war supplies.

Points agreed to were:

1—In May and June Spain may export not more than 22 tons of the vital tungsten ore to Germany monthly.

2—For the rest of 1944 not more than 40 tons monthly may be sent.

3—Allied-designated Axis agents are to be expelled from Spain, Spanish Morocco and Tangier.

4—The German consulate and other

4—The German consulate and other Axis agencies in Tangier are to be closed.

5—Five of the seven Italian merchant ships now in Spain are to be released immediately; disposition of the two others and of Italian warships in Spanish

waters are to be submitted to arbitration.

6—All Spanish forces to be withdrawn from the Russian front. (Spain claims this already has been effected.)

7—Anglo-American oil embargo on Spain the beliffed impredicted with the

Spain to be lifted immediately with the resumption of the old quotas of 48,000 tons of bulk oil from the Caribbean monthly for metropolitan Spain, 13,000 tons for the colonies and 15,000 tons of packaged petroleum products from the

Ritter Gets Mideast Post

CAIRO, May 2-Col. William L. Ritter, of Providence, R.I., who commanded an infantry regiment in the Tunisian, Sicilian and Italian campaigns, has been named U.S. chief of staff in the Middle East to succeed Col. Clyde D. Keith, CAIRO, May 2—British officers raiding Crete a few days ago captured and evacuated Gen. Kreipe, commander of the German 22nd Panzer division, it was appointed to head Middle East Service Command.

Without-Loss U.S. Raids Come After **RAF** Assaults

The furious Allied aerial offensive which is slowly raising the curtain for the greatest drama of the war was carried through its 18th straight day yesterday as fleets of heavies, mediums and fighter-bombers hit targets, mainly railway centers, in France and Belgium.

Some 200 Liberators pummeled objectives in the Pas de Calais; an equal number of Marauders and Havocs equal number of Marauders and Havocs attacked three railway centers, and fighter-bombers of the Ninth struck at other railway targets. Not one of the bombers or the fighters which estorted them in large numbers was lost.

In 24 hours the Nazi transportation system serving the Channel ports had suffered 27 individual blows, including widespread attacks at night by the RAF.

Not one enemy plane rose to oppose the Liberator force as, shepherded by Eighth Air Force Thunderbolts and Mustangs, it cascaded its load of explosives on coastal installations.

Both the American and British air forces yesterday released the official figures for their operations in April—the biggest month of aerial warfare in

USSTAF: 43,000 Tons

The USSTAF dropped more than 43,500 tons, almost all on Luftwaffe installations. Twenty-nine German aircraft factories were hit, as were numerous airdromes and aircraft parks. Destruction of 450 enemy aircraft on the ground was confirmed by gun cameras; at least 1,282 were destroyed in aerial battles. U.S. losses in 36,000 sorties were 537 bombers,

losses in 36,000 sorties were 537 bombers, less than three per cent, and 191 fighters, just over one per cent.

In the Berlin attack last Saturday, USSTAF said, the Reich Air Ministry was set afire and there was severe damage in several districts, numerous government buildings around the Air Ministry also being hit, as well as the Tempelhof marshalling yards.

RAF Bomber Command set a record in April by dropping 33,000 tons of bombs on Germany and enemy targets in the occupied countries—6,000 tons more than the previous high of 27,000 in March.

The Air Ministry's announcement said

The Air Ministry's announcement said that more bombers had been sent over Europe in April than in any previous month, and the bomb tonnage dropped in a single night rose to a figure over 4,500 tons—in the 1,000-plus bomber raid on Cologne and French and Belgian railway yards Apr. 20-21.

Airfield Also Hit

In a continuation of the blows struck against rail centers in France and Bel-gium which serve Channel ports the fighter-bombers, escorted by other Ninth Air Force Thunderbolts and Mustangs, dive-bombed Tergnier, Le Mans and Aulnoye, in north France, and Namur, in Belgium. An airfield on the Belgium-Holland border also was raided by other

Rail centers in north France also were struck by a force of Ninth Air Force (Continued on page 4)

WARWEEK Appears First Time Tomorrow

WARWEEK, a new feature section, makes its appearance in The Stars and Stripes tomorrow. It will be a regular Thursday supplement of the paper, replacing the former Feature Section.

WARWEEK will be bright, breezy, informative. It will combine very important and serious material, such as the types of weapons the Germans use, and how they use them, with lighter material such as helpful hints on how to make a K-Ration fit to eat.

Tomorrow's edition of WARWEEK tells an illustrated story of what the average Nazi soldier is like, how he thinks, how he is trained and how well he fights. Illustrated maps of the world's war zones, a cartoon picturequiz on your knowledge of combat German and half a page of practical battle-tips for GIs complete the four-

Two Forts Claim 16 of 72 Nazis Shot Down in Last Berlin Raid

Two lone Flying Fortress crews yester-day reported between them the destruc-tion of 16 of the 72 German fighters shot down in furious battles over Berlin Satur-

down in furious battles over Berlin Satur-day by raiding B17s and B24s.

The crews of both the Barbara B, piloted by 1/Lt. William B. Clark, of Beach Creek, Ky., and an unnamed Fort piloted by 1/Lt. John M. Gibbons, of Jefferson City, Mo., claimed their guns bagged eight Nazi aircraft.

Three gunners each claimed two planes apiece. They were S/Sgt. Albert V.

apiece. They were S/Sgt. Albert V.
Bauman, Barbara B bombardier from
Fremont, Ohio, and T/Sgt. John Urdia,
of Mansfield, Ohio, and S/Sgt. W. C.
Micholas, of Clallam Bay, Wash, respectively top turret gunner and right waist gunner on the other Fort.

were scored by Bauman, 2/Lt, Dexter Schleusener, navigator, Pender, Neb.; T/Sgt. Johnny W. Colston, tail gunner, Ada, Okla.; S/Sgt Robert Carmen, right waist gunner, Baltimore; S/Sgt. Edward Leach, ball turret gunner, Fall River, Mass., and S/Sgt. William J. Simpson, top turret gunner, Buffalo, N.Y. Even the radio operator, T/Sgt, Henry A. Sanders, Pittsburgh, shot a ship into pieces.

About 60 German fighters flew in formation parallel to Gibbons' Fortress before pressing home their first attack.
Urdia and the ball turret gunner, S/Sgt.
Clyde G. Chastain, of Attalla, Ala., broke
up that assault, each shooting down a

Then, with the two wing Forts shot Barbara B's crewmen took their toll of the Luftwaffe in "40 minutes of hell over Berlin." According to Clark, 125 to 150 "crazy Nazi fighters" swept in, knocking out the number four engine. Later, number three engine went, too.

However, the savage German assault was stopped as in rapid succession kills

Then, with the two wing Forts shot down on either side of the lead plane, the Germans attacked in waves. Another victory was scored by Urdia; two by Micholas, and one each by S/Sgt, G. W. Minton, tail gunner, Brownsville, Tex.; 2/Lt. Joseph M. Teixeira Jr., navigator, Fall River, Mass., and 1/Lt. Ralph Pittman, bombardier, Mayfield, Ky.

The Army

sion of his departure staged a parade in his honor. All you have to do to follow in Ballow's footsteps is put in 30 years of continuous service and he retired. M/SGI, Ennis D, Bailow and some would like to do and get away with it. Ballow up and told the Army he was getting out of Northern Heland and going home for a bit of fishing around Battle Creek, Mich. Furthermore, the Army okayed the move and to mark the occasion of his departure staged a parade in sign of his departure staged a parade in MSCT. Ennis D. Ballow did some-

Cpl. Harry A. Wadley, radio operator with the Vinth AF Troop Carrier Command, is the one-in-a-million GI who can leave the States and go home to a foreign country. An emigrant from true in the U.S. in 1929, Wadley's Army life took him to Africa, Sicily and and sisters in Stanford-le-Hope, Essex, and sisters in Stanford-le-Hope, Essex.

WHEN II was reported that Put. Albert Kiefer found so much to write about that he was composing a 30,000-word letter record of mass production. Put. Robert C. Merrill, attached to ETOUSA HQ, says that during the first 28 days of April he got off 180 letters by V-Mail, art mail and free mail, each averaging air mail and free mail, each averaging Moreover, he claims that 90 per cent of Moreover, he claims that 90 per cent of his correspondence is in answer to letters. WHEN it was reported that Pvt. Albert

his correspondence is in answer to letters he receives. The logical question to all that is: "Where do you get the time,

PVT, Fletcher T. Hinton, who has been Rat traps must be something else the British don't believe in. An ETO Enginere to the British aupply depot for 35 rat traps. The Engineers forthwith cancelled the cate, with rations, total the remains. We room on the Toles.

PVT. Heleher T. Hinton, who has been in the Army more than two years and overseas for three months, recently received the President's greetings and an order to report for induction "at the nearest local board if you are far removed from your own board." The nearest City but nobody will give him permission to report. Canyamagine?

Air Force Notes from the-

cockpit companion cooled off. to jump, but the ship was manageable and Anderson stuck it out until his lethal lage and finally came up through to the instrument panel, dropping at his feet. Smoke filled the cockpit and he was ready almost concluded the other day that the cockpit of a P51 wasn't big enough for himself and a five-inch slab of red-hot flak, 1/Lt, William Y. Anderson, of Chicago, was over Hanover when the flak pierced his wheel housing, a tire, the flast loss and gnally came, in tire, the fluse-ONE Minth Air Force Mustang pilot

Tex., Eighth Mustang pilot, scored his eighth April victory when he shot down an FW790 recently. This victory was different from all the rest, however, in that the veteran of the southwest Pacific his pieces. Capt. Stephen W. Andrew, of Dallas, ex, Eighth Mustang pilot, scored his

ing at his ship and he landed right in my prop, denting my spinner," Andrew said, "I got hair, blood and a patch of his cover-alls in the spinner, I'm saving the patch as a souvenir," in his prop.

"He bailed out while I was still shoot-

Anderson, of .W woodrow .T.J.

you off,

At one time it was S.O.P. to have the infanty advance 600 yards behind the center of fire impact. Then, when the signal was given to lift fire and advance, they had to charge nearly 1,000 yards across open ground into a withering volley of enemy fire. Experiences in Italy and on other fronts proved this to be a costly procedure. Stockdale, Tex., an Eighth Mustang pilot, while flying at 10,000 feet, saw an FW190 down at 300 feet and nearing an infals. that you can't advance against an enemy who is dug in, unless you have this pro-tective curtain to keep him from picking tective

As the German lowered his wheels for

a landing, he saw Anderson and brought the wheels up again. Then he found himself attempting a belly landing.

Anderson, not having a chance to get the FW in the air, strafed the enemy plane the moment it hit the ground and blew it up. Then, circling the field, he blew up two Me110s. "After all," said a member of the Plans and Training Section, "the whole object



Happiness

But there are so many pieces, No one ever finds them all. Lo, some shining tragments fall, Now and then along life's pathway Scattered, scattered far and near Broken in a million pieces, Fair and exquisite and clear: Happiness is like a crystal,

No one ever finds them all. And there are so many pieces, Broken is the perfect ball, Vain to choose or grasp unduly, Gathers honor, love or health, While another just beside you Or an honest share of wealth, You may find a bit of beauty,

No one ever finds them all. For it has so many pieces, Though their share of it is small, Learning even to be thankful, Imagining the shattered sphere, Fit them as they may together, Treasure every fragment clear; Yet the wise, as on they journey,

Still Government-Issue, Though

You May Legally Call 'Miss' ETO Now Has a Pair of WACs



W.O (ig) Vana M. Rae, of New York, secretary to Gen. Eisenhower, pauses from her typing to check, a dispatch for Cpl. Pearlie M. Hargrove (center), of Pillager, Minn, a driver, and the records of Sgt. Sue Sarafian, of Defroit.

Montgomery and Kenneth Anderson. at generals like Marshall, Alexander and to make excuses to get a better look Blood-and-Guts Pation and Gen. Hurley take dictation from Big Names like Gen. picture men walking into the room; to are entitled to be called "Miss" without Two of the 4,000 WACs in the ETO | stated: "It is interesting to see the pinup-

from the grade of staff sergeant, was Miss Rae, whose promotion upped her

She is a native of Dumfries, Scotland, ture men" than even Algiers afforded. opportunity of seeing more "pinup-pic immediate office staff, and now enjoys the brought to the ETO on Gen. Eisenhower's

periodic visits to Scotland, Kerr Steamship Co., New York, and paid WACs she was a private secretary in the since August, 1939. Before joining the visited her kinfolk there for the first time and since her arrival in this country has

Miss Bosworth, a sergeant before her

What is most important, they realized

despite the fact that they were within 75 yards of the shell bursts there were only a few casualties from the flying frag-

In an article she wrote at that time she | since 1943 promotion, has been stationed in London catch the words," she said. cars springing to attention to try to

Artillery Proves Its Accuracy,

started pacing round the room, I felt my

general. "When he took to his feet and

morning she took dictation from the

North Africa, and still recalls the first

the first WAC contingent to land in

Supreme Commander since the days of

to Gen. Eisenhower, who was given her

officer to be appointed in the ETO WACs, is W/O Mana M. Rae, secretary

mander, ETO. The other, first warrant

Tex., secretary to Brig. Gen. Royal B. Lord, chief of staff to the Deputy Com-

tary courtesy. One, appointed last Saturday, is W/O Maxine Bosworth, of Dallas,

infingement of ARs or violation of mili-

bars two weeks previously.

Miss Rac has been on the staff of the

to dust by your own artillery.

your clothing; and then to rush full till till to the objective the split second the dealening fire curtain lifes.

For the last month the foot soldiers in this outfit have been doing just that in their Hth-hour preparations for the investion.

One of the most unnerving things to a noisevni

Tabanh

He studies it

Overheard in the Blackout.

traveling the straight and narrow path because she's never been shown the faithfully every night and attempts to advise his hut-mates how to build a fire in their Nissen hut stove!

base who still carries a Boy Scout hand-

And now we have the story of the orderly room clerk at a Troop Carrier

According to 1/8gr. Ted Lakowske football is now the No. 1 sport in Europe. Everybody's waiting for Hitler to kick-off.

Capt. "Doc" Munger of a Lib station over here gags: "The battle between the blondes and brunettes can be classified as

a spot where nobody knows what I am, I'm gonna take off my uniform and settle

Then I'm starting inland. If I reach a town and the people say, 'Hello, soldier,' I'm moving on. But when I finally hit

We don't know what your posents plan is but we like the one passed on to us be who of 1g) John Daniels of suprements by W/O (1g) John Daniels of suprements to him the other day and said, "Boy, when I hit the States I'm going to put on all the fancy uniform I'we got and west all the ribbons and decorations I can. Then I'm starting inland. It I teach a Then I'm starting inland. It I teach a starting inland.

We don't know what your postwar

there for at least ten minutes! (But you

the Pvt. jumped— and landed right in the river. The power boat had not been

A sergeant at an engineering base told a private to jump from a pontoon bridge into a power boat. Without hesitation,

Judging from a report from Lt. Robert W. Stevens, there's one unit (at least) over here that has super-duper discipline.

Lt. Bob Wilson (ells us about the new driver at his motor pool who claims:
"It's not the work we enjoy—it's the motor we run into!"

So help us, there's a Lib group over here that claims their bombs are good to the hast drop—and they've got reconnaissance photos to prove it, too.

can't argue with sergeants.)

a matter of chemical warfare."

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engineer and vice-president of the blic Aviation Corporation—was When the time came for the Army to demand a pursuit ship that could fly higher, faster and for longer distances than any plane then on hand, Karrvell—

now to honeycomb the wing to house dissipate the tremendous heat of the big The ship they asked for developed into the P47. It was a daring plane in many ways and its designing presented numerous complicated problems—how to

Kartvell became an airplane designer in carries when Maj. Alexander P. de Seversky hured him in 1931. His first success was the P35 pursuit ship, designed for the Army

Russian as his personal plane designer

successful career.
Son of a magnerate in the Georgian Careed as an artillery officer in World Wat I, was invalided home with a leg wound and went to Paris to resume the with the Blerriot plane company.

In 1927 fate visited Kartvelt in the form of Charles Levine, the famous flying plane piloted by Clarence Chamberlin.

Levine, who was gaget to make a career of being a transatlantic hero, saw plane, and promptly hired the tallentied promptly hired the tallentied plane, and promptly hired the tallentied plane.

it is a satisfying climax to a highly

another example of murual aid. But to Alexander Kartvell, designer of the plane,

Disclosure of the news that American Thunderbolts are being delivered to the Russian Air Force is, on the surface, just

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wen as nis strength.

That one sentence expresses the true importance of Sakimura. He is importance of Sakimura. He is importance of Sakimura, but as a symbol of the entire Japanese people who so blindly put their faith in a false ally and who, when they learn the truth, will likely have as this expect for the that are sufficient trace as this expect who bolted the party.

or the Wehrmacht. He comments: "One must know one's ally's weaknesses as well as his strength."

Japanese Embassy in Berlin forbids criticism of the Fuchrer, the Nazi regime

admits Japanese miniarists may well be called the "Prussians of the Orient," he keenly resents the fact that the

Today this expert lives in fear of the Black Dragon Society of Japan and of its no less interested Vazi counterpart, the Gestapo; for he has offered to place

ledge of German wartime industry led him to declare that "the Axis cannot win the wat—German industry cannot match

made complementary after the war, he fled to Sweden when his intimate know-

Sakimuma, reports Ralph Hawkins of the Daily Mail, is the first lapanese of standing to desert the Axis cause in favor of the Allies since Pearl Harbot. Assigned to Berlin to work out a plan whereby German-Japanese trade could be made complementations of the Mail he

In a small, barely lumished room in the heart of Stockholm sits the world's loneliest—and probably most frightened—Inpanese diplomat. He is Professor S. Sakimura, trade expert and until 1943 member of the Japanese Embassy in Berlin.

Deserting the Axis

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THE STARS AND STRIPES

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It is interesting to note that while he

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the Army,

successful career.

the retracted wheels, ammunition and guns; how to adjust the supercharger, but the plane was ready to fly nine months after the Army first asked for a desirence.

months after the Army first asked for a design on it.

Talking about the P47, which has more than lived up to expectations, its designer will comment in his broken accent, "Yeass, nice plane, but eet iss too beeg!" If however, anybody tells him that his airplane is very pretty his face lights up and he looks almost happy.

Today Alexander Kartiveli is happy, Today Alexander Kartiveli is happy, His Thunderbolis, produced in his adopted country, are serving in the defense of his native land.

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The fuge Willow Run plant, operated by litenty Ford near Dettoit, is now turning out one four-engined bomber an

cight months. forming out one tour-engined bomber an forming out one tour-engined believed by the War. Department reveals. This includes fly-away jobs as well as knock-down planes packed in large sub-assembly form for final assembly elsewhere.

An earlier War Department announcement revealed that 3,000 Liberator four-ment revealed that 3,000 Liberator four-ment revealed that 3,000 Liberator four-ment revealed that a superoximately two-willow Run, with approximately two-tirited of this number bailt in the last eight months.

comforts and luxuries of life cated in the days of peace to provide the can be done there in time of war to produce military equipment can be dupli-Mass plane production, once labeled impossible by self-styled experts, justifies the time and expense involved in the development of Willow Run. And what

Willow Run may yet play an important part in brightening the future of millions of American families,



whistle over your head and rip through advance despite shell fragments that 75 yards in front of you; to continue to miles to your rear are dropping eggs a bare enemy" objective while the big guns two It takes a cool head to walk toward an

by set dick wingert



"The few casualties that resulted are compensated for by the confidence in-stilled in the artillery-infantry team,"
Which about sums it up,

costly procedure.

P. B. H.

One Horse 'Race' With All Bets Off



All a'one, Star of Padula covers the six furlongs at Jamaica before a crowded grand-stand. Other horses failed to enter when grooms went on strike, but Jimmy Richie led Star of Padula to the starting line. All wagers for the event and daily double were refunded.

Pros Are Threat to Collegiate GridGame, Little Tells Coaches

NEW YORK, May 2—Lou Little, Columbia football coach and member of the rules committee for a dozen years, today warned his fellow college coaches to "wake up and discover the play-for-pay pros are building a more interesting game for the players and spectators."

about this "deplorable situation" in foot-

Though obvious that the rules hadn't kept stride with progress and develop-ment of the game, Lt. Col. Bill Bingham, Harvard official who was appointed chair-

pros are building a more interesting game for the players and spectators."

With coaches from all sections of the country demanding rule changes, Little said the Football Coaches Association made a "terrible mistake" in freezing the organization at the end of the 1942 season. If the association were functioning, Little asserted, it could do something about the lack of legislation which has brought has brought.

Harvard official who was appointed chairman of the committee, decided a meeting wasn't necessary and kept the present rules on ice for the duration, the Columbia mentor pointed out.

"Coaches feel the game is deteriorating," Little charged, "because of a lack of proper legislation. They shouldn't be a party to it, but without formal rules they are prepared to make the best of a bad situation for the good of the game."

Little stressed that the professionals have changed their rules to keep in step with the game despite the war, and have provided splendid entertainment for the fans, This, he believes, is a threat to the college game now handicapped by the refusal of the authorities to meet and study proposed changes.

Fast Workout

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 2-Stir Up. he heavy betting choice to capture Saturday's edition of the Kentucky Derby, added a few more railbirds to his side yesterday by going the mile and a quarter Derby distance in 2:05.6, only 1.6 sec-onds slower than Count Fleet's winning time last year, in a workout without any opposition.

Sky Tracer, another Derby hopeful, raced a mile and an eighth in 1:55.6, while Broad Grin covered a half-mile in

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No games scheduled.

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Stir Up Does | Eastern Loop **Opens Today**

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., May 2-The Eastern League, only Class A baseball circuit operating this year, opens its season tomorrow with eight teams hoping to elude the manpower demands to complete a full schedule.

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The new Williamsport team, backed by the Phillies and replacing Springfield (Mass.), opens its season here against Elmira. Scranton, which won the flag in '43 and added the Governors' Cup playoff title to its laurels, travels to Wilkes-Barre, Utica plays at Binghamton and Albany debuts at Hartford.

This year's race is expected to be more closely contested than last year's when the league's two weak sisters, Springfield, which lost 88 games, and Utica, which lost 101, enabled six teams to finish above the .500 mark.

Southwest Gridiron Schedule Increased 20 Per Cent for '44

DALLAS, Texas, May 2—The Southwest Conference plans to play 20 per cent more football this year than was played last year, and the six schools carrying on already have scheduled 40 games with five more to be added.

Southern Methodist, Arkansas and Rice have arranged ten-game schedules. Texas A and M have nine games on the docket while Texas and Texas Christian will play eight each.

Included in the composite schedule are 14 intersectional games with Kansas, Oklahoma Aggies, Oklahoma, Louisiana State, Tulane, Mississippi, Tulsa and Miami.

Last year the conference played 37 games, two being cancelled because of transportation restrictions.

Wilson Quits Cub Post: No Successor Chosen Yet

Soldier in Africa Buys Sacramento Club Stock

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 2-Pvt. Robert Knezevich, stationed in North Africa, has become one of the many stockholders in the Sacramento baseball club, following the purchase of the franchise from the St. Louis Cardinals. He sent a money order for \$100 to be added to the fund.

Knezevich is a former semi-pro player in Roseville and Lincoln. The money order was sent to his sister-in-law, Mrs. Paul Bowa, whose husband is getting a trial with the

Griffs Mangle Red Sox, 11-4

George Myatt Gets 6 for 6 To Tie Major Mark; **Tribe Triumphs**

NEW YORK, May 2—George Myatt, Washington second baseman, tied the modern major league record of six hits modern major league record of six hits in six times at bat yesterday as the Senators trounced the Red Sox, 11—4, at Boston in one of the day's two games, Cleveland tripping the White Sox, 9—3, in the other. All clubs in the National League were idle.

Myatt scored three runs and drove in four more to ease the task for knuckleballer Roger Wolff, who kept 11 Red Sox hits carefully scattered over the full distance.

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Sox hits carefully scattered over the full distance.

The Nats pounded Yank Terry, Clem Hausemann, Joe Wood Jr. and Oscar Judd for 20 hits. Terry lasted one inning, just long enough to give the Nats a lead and to be tagged with the defeat.

An eighth inning explosion in which they clustered seven hits for as many runs, the Indians slipped past the White Sox to win. The Tribe was headed by George Susce, veteran catcher, who got three singles and drove in three runs.

The Indians blasted Lefty Thornton Lee and Gordon Maltzberger for 13 hits. Lee, unable to get started this season, lasted until the big seventh stanza uprising and was charged with the loss. Harold Klein yielded the three Chisox runs in the first, then settled down and pitched shutout ball before tiring in the eighth. Ray Poat finished for the Tribe, but Klein was credited with the victory.



American League

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Washington at Boston
New York at Philadelphia

National League

No games scheduled.

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Kreevich, St. Louis 2.
National League—Schultz, Brooklyn, 4; Ott,
New York, and Adams, Philadelphia, 2.

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American League—Schultz, Brooklyn, 12;
Trosky, Chicago, 9; Tores, Washington, 8.
National League—Schultz, Brooklyn, 14; Lombardi, New York, 13; Weintraub, New York, 11.

Roy Johnson Temporarily In Charge; Jimmy Has No Squawks

CHICAGO, May 2—Jimmy Wilson, manager of the Chicago Cubs since 1941, resigned today after a confab with Jim Gallagher, general manager, and Owner Phil Wrigley. Coach Roy Johnson will direct the team until Wilson's successor's named.

The confab, which esuited in Wilson's decision, was called by Wrigley to diagnose the club's shortcomings. After winning their opener from the Cincinnati Reds, 3—0, the Bruins nose dived and are currently in the throes of a ninegame losing streak, although the team figured to do much better.

"If you can't win in baseball, you'd better get out," Wilson said when he announced his resignation. "I don't have any squawks. Both Wrigley and Gallagher have given me excellent treatment. I still think the Cubs are a better club than they appear and I hope they start winning under somebody else."

This was Wilson's second managerial venture. He succeeded Burt Shotton as pilot of the Phillies in 1934 and remained until the end of the '38 season, when he joined the Reds as coach. He broke into the majors as a catcher with the Phils in 1923, went to the Cards in 1928 and was resold to the Phils in 1933.

But the Bruins Are Still

But the Bruins Are Still Stuck With Gallagher

By Gene Graff

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
The removal of Jimmy Wilson as

The removal of Jimmy Wilson as manager of the Cubs marks the semi-end of another "lemon picking" era in the baseball farming of Phil Wrigley, the chewing gum czar, although Jim Gallagher—the other half of the James Boys—is still associated with the team.

Not all Bruin woes in recent years can be traced to the James Boys, it's true, because club officials have been harvesting bumper lemon crops ever since that memorable June day in 1934 when the Cubs sent Dolph Camilli down the river to Philly for Don Hurst, who was discarded almost before he unpacked his baggage. Next, Wrigley sacrificed Lon Warneke to the Cards for Rip Collins, another first baseman who failed to perform up to snuff in Chicago, and they we been at it ever since, including the classic mistake of all, paying \$185,000 for Dizzy Dean.

When the Dodgers won the National

Dean.

When the Dodgers won the National League pennant in 1941 their lineup looked like a who's who of former Cub chattels. Camilli was at first, Billy Herman was at second and others included Augie Galan, Hugh Casey, Larry French and Kirby Higbe. The Cubs finished fifth that year, the first season the James Boys manipulated the strings, which at least proved their ability to absorb Wrigley's lemon-picking philosophy in a hurry.

Dahlgren Didn't Fill Bill

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Still in the cycle of "trying to get even" for the early Camilli-Hurst error, the Gallagher-Wilson brain trust opened Wrigley's purse strings in June, 1941, to lure Babe Dahlgren, one of the fanciest fielders in the business, from the Braves. Dahlgren was the best first baseman Cub fans had seen on their side of the fence since the heyday of Charley Grimm, but he wasn't what the James Boys wanted.

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First they peddled him to the Browns for enough cash to make a few dozen wrappers for that stuff kids in the ETQ are "Hey, chum-ing" about. The Brownies backed out, however, so the James Boys had another chance to think it over and keep Dahlgren. That afternoon they sent him to Brooklyn.

Almost before the ink was dry on that deal, the James Boys held another conference and dumped Augie Galan in Brooklyn's lap via Los Angeles, then sent Billy Herman, the league's No. I second baseman at the time, to the Dodgers for a couple of gents named John Hudson and Charley Gilbert, neither of whom learned their mates' first names before getting the sack.

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It's too bad the James Boys didn't stay together long enough to reclaim Camilli from the Dodgers. Then they could start the zany cycle all over again—if anybody happens to know where Hurst is living.

Li'l Abner







Yanks'MopUp' Japs Caught in N. Guinea Trap

Kill 677 in 1 Sector Alone After Foe Flees to Hills; Sea Patrol Nets 4 Ships

U.S. forces by land and by sea are rapidly liquidating the Japanese remain-ing on New Guinea, Gen. MacArthur's

headquarters reported yesterday.

Strong troop columns chasing the Japs who have fled into the hills have killed 677 in one sector alone in the last ten

Warships patrolling the coast to pre-

Warships patrolling the coast to pre-vent an evacuation by sea have sunk four Jap ships, including a coastal steamer, along a 400-mile stretch off Hollandia in the last 24 hours.

Air attacks also were pressed against the Japanese troops and against enemy bases on islands throughout the Pacific, from Truk in the south to the Jap naval base at Paramushiro in the Kuriles, far to the north. Ventura search planes of the Navy bombed Paramushiro without loss.

Meanwhile, on the main front in North Burma, Lt. Gen, Joseph W. Stilwell's Chinese troops captured a Japanese strongpoint west of the Mogaung River and south of Warzup, taking large quantities of weapons and ammunition. Two thousand Japanese trying to break the Chindits road and rail block 65 miles southwest of Mogaung were defeated decisively and an estimated 1,000 of them were killed.

Subs Destroy A Jap Cruiser

WASHINGTON, May 2-American submarines operating deep in enemy-controlled Pacific waters have sunk a Japanese light cruiser and two sub-marines, the Navy announced today.

The cruiser was the fourth sunk by U.S. submarines, which also have "probably sunk" five more and damaged six. Seven Jap cargo vessels, one large tanker and one large naval auxiliary also

were listed as destroyed.

The successes brought to 695 the number of Jap ships sunk by U.S. sub-

Genoa, Spezia, Leghorn Get 4th Day of Bombing

ALLIED HQ, Italy, May 2—Genoa, Spezia and Leghorn, German-held ports on the esat coast of Italy, were bombed by the RAF last night in raids marking the fourth successive day of attack. In daylight assaults Marauders hit railroad yards in Florence; other medium bombers struck at communications north of Rome

It was announced officially that the Germans made a slight gain southwest of Carroceto in an attack on Allied forward positions in the Anzio beachhead.

Britain Honors Clark, 4 Other U.S. Generals

FIFTH ARMY HQ, May 2—Gen. Sir Harold Alexander, on behalf of the King, recently made Lt, Gen. Mark W. Clark an honorary Knight Commander of the Order of the British Empire.

of the Order of the British Empire. Three other American generals, whose names were not disclosed, were made Commanders of the Order of the Bath. Brig. Gen. Joseph I. Martin, Fifth Army surgeon, received the honorary award of Commander of the British Empire, and three U.S. field officers received the Order of the British Empire.

Irish-Lishon Traffic Stopped DUBLIN, May 2 (AP)—Ireland's sea connection with Lisbon has been cut because of the refusal of the British authorities to issue Navicerts for Irish vessels, said The Irish Press. A prolonged stoppage "would have serious effects on our supply position," the paper said

AFN Radio Program

On Your Dial 1402 kc. 1411 kc. 1420 kc. 213.9m. 212.6m. 211.3m. Wednesday, May 3

Spotlight on Buddy Franklyn. Personal Album-Cpl. Jack Power, the

Personal Album—Cpl. Jack Power, the Singing Serenader.

Music in Three-Quarter Time.
German Lessons—Number Three.
Noon Edition.
Barracks Bag.
World News (BBC).
Melody Roundup.
Andre Kostelanetz (Encore).
News Headlines Harry Leader and his Orchestra (BBC).
Visiting Hour
Music While You Work (BBC).
Jone Ranger—Hi Ho Silver!
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-Jack Carson's Show.
-Quiet Monem.
-World News (BBC),
-GI Supper Club.
-Army Talks.
-Seven O'Clock Sports.
-Rhapsody In Khaki—GI falent of WBS.
-MoCee and Molly.
-News from Home—Nightly roundup of news from the U.S.A.

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D-Fred Waring Program.

Human Interest in Books.

Baseball—Play-by-play recreation of an American League baseball game.

World News (Bb)

Bob Hope Show—with Frances Langford, year Vague and Jerry Colonna.

Showtime.

RAF Symphony Orchestra.

Final Edition.

Sign off until 1100 hours, Thursday, May 4.

Coming Back in Burma, But It's Tough-Stilwell

SIMON!

NEW DELHI, India, May 2-Lt Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell announced today, on the second anniversary of his appointment to command the Chinese Fifth and Sixth Armies in Burma, that his forces had regained 75,000 square miles of northern Burma and killed more than 7,000

The theme of his statement was that "it's a long road yet with a lot of hard work." He said:

"The Japs ran us out of here a damn sight faster than we are coming

Tito Aims Drive For Italian Port

Jugoslav Partisans have begun an offensive aimed at the Italian Adriatic port of Trieste, with some of the fighting already on Italian soil, Marshal Tito's communique disclosed yesterday without

giving details.

The Partisans' main forces were said to be attacking a railway east of Trieste which links up with a line from Austria through northwestern Jugoslavia to Fiume. Jugoslav flying columns were reported striking hit-and-run blows to confuse the Germans.

confuse the Germans. Heaviest fighting appeared to be in Slovenia, in the north-central part of the country south of the Hungarian border. Strong German forces, possessing superiority in tanks and artillery, launched an offensive here against liberated territory, but the Partisans reported they were repulsing all attacks.

Mission From Tito

A military mission consisting of a Croat general and a Slovene major has arrived in London from Marshal Tito's Jugoslav Partisan headquarters to confer with Allied leaders, it was announced yesterday.

Siamese Twin Girls Born to a Widowed Mother in the East

PHOENIXVILLE, Pa., May 2-Siamese twin girls were born in a hospital here Sunday to Mrs. Mary Stierly, 24,

here Sunday to Mrs. Mary Stierly, 24, of Audubon, Pa., whose husband was killed recently.

"Oh gosh!" the mother exclaimed when a nurse told her of the birth.

A nurse said the babies weighed 12 pounds and were joined at the pelvis, though perfectly and separately formed from the waist up. She described them as "cute little blonde girls."

Doctors said both babies were doing well but feared they could not be separated and therefore they would never be able to walk.

Betting on the Right Horse

JERUSALEM, May 2 — Rudolf Messerschmidt, from Switzerland, has asked permission to change his name to Rudolf Spitfire.

-that a couple of the visiting firemen might bail out into familiar surroundings

-a German stalag situated only a baseball-throw from Buckingham Palace

The surprise would be increased when

the visitors were set upon by a squad of German-clad guards and deposited behind a barbed-wire enclosure from

which hangs a sign identifying the place

as a "Kriegsgefingenlager," or P/W camp. If they resisted, or were otherwise unruly, they might be tossed into the "Wachstube," recognizable to them as a

In which case they would decide there

was a helluva big mistake somewhere. In due time, however, the parachuting air-

men would discover their surroundings

GI bastille.

Home-Made Stalag All Ready

If Nazis Bail Out OverLondon

If the Luftwaffe has a visit to London on the books this week, there is a possibility—even though only one in a million opened over the weekend by the Duke

Getting the Bazooka Ready to Play



A U.S. infantryman sights the futuristic bazooka while his teammate prepares to load it in invasion exercises in England. The rocket projectile can knock out a 60-ton

Burma Clash Pits U.S. Tanks Against Japs 1st Time in Asia

WITH GEN, STILWELL'S FORCES, resulted in destruction of two enemy Mogaung Valley, North Burma, Apr. 29 (delayed) (AP)—American-made medium tanks, manned by American crews, had their first contact with Japanese forces killed. No Allied casualties were reported, with the contact with the contact with Japanese forces killed. No Allied casualties were reported, and the destruction of an ammunition dump, some 30 Japs being killed. No Allied casualties were reported, and the destruction of two enemy tensions. tanks, manned by American crews, had their first contact with Japanese forces tody on the Asiatic Continent as they chalked up another "first" in Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's campaign to free the supply road to China and retake Japaled North Burma held North Burma.

Tank formations under command of

t. Richard P. Bocan, former cavalryman from Vandalia, Ill., pumped more than 100 rounds of 75-mm shells against the Japs. On the banks of a Mogaung tributary, where it joins the river just north of Inkagahtawng, they faced Jap 75s dual-purpose 70s and anti-tank fire.

75s, dual-purpose 70s and anti-tank fire. A number of Chinese-manned medium

and damage to tanks and equipment was said to be light.

Eye-witness reports brought out by YANK combat correspondent T/Sgl. Dave Richardson revealed that Japs as usual fought desperately.

One Jap climbed onto a medium tank, lifted off the sandbags and affixed a magnetic mine to the tank. Almost instantly he was mowed down by a burst of .30-cal. slugs from gunner Bernard E. Nelson, a private from McCook, Neb., who was in a near-by tank. At almost the same second the mine exploded, blowing off the and light tank crews also joined the Jap so cleanly there wasn't even a drop Americans in this hour-long battle which of blood on the tank.

1,000 Heavies Invasion Blitz Built Monthly Passes 18th Day

WASHINGTON, May 2-U.S. heavybomber production is now well over 1,000 a month, Vice Chairman Charles E. Wilson of the War Production Board said

today, disclosing that 8,343 planes of all types were delivered in April.

The figure was well under the 9,118 planes completed in the peak month of March, but the reduction was planned and officials forces it more than a month. officials forecast it more than a month

ago.
Wilson said production of the B29
Superfortress was "for all practical purposes" on schedule.

Combat planes accounted for 77 per cent of the total April output. WPB said the percentage, highest thus far for this type, would continue to rise.

of Gloucester and attracted numerous

American soldiers among the spectators. It will be open daily through Sunday from

The purpose of the exhibit is to acquaint Britons with the service given to

prisoners by the British Red Cross—a ten-shilling parcel of food every week to each of 150,000 P/Ws, more than 20 million such parcels sent since the out-break of war, 420 medical and surgical

parcels and 10,000 invalid diet-supple-ment packages sent weekly to P/W camps, tons of equipment for entertain-

ment ranging from theatrical makeup kits to sports goods.

The exhibit was constructed from photographs and information contributed

GO PET YOUR COBRAS,

II AM to 7 PM.

(Continued from page 1) B26s and Havoc light bombers, 200 going to Valenciennes, Busigny and Blanc-Misseron, vital arteries on which the Germans depend to maintain their

Atlantic Wall defenses.

The Marauders and Havocs were covered by RAF, RAAF and Allied Spitfires and RAF Mustangs. Not one

bomber was lost.

The U.S. daylight raids followed night attacks by RAF bombers in great strength on rail and industrial targets in France and Belgium. Hit were a motor vehicle works at Lyons, a signal depot at Chambly, railroad yards at Malines, air-craft repair works at Tours, an aircraft

factory and explosive works at Toulouse and rail facilities at St. Ghislian.

Well over 2,500 tons of bombs were dropped on the RAF's targets, which also included Ludwigshafen, Germany's second largest chemical manufacturing center. Ten RAF planes failed to return.

Eight Separate Forces The eight Bomber Command targets were hit by eight separate RAF forces, making it impossible for the Luftwaffe to oppose each of them. Once the bombers passed the coast they were comparatively unmolested.

Of the two forces of Forts and Libera-tors which bombed the Pas de Calais and rail yards in Brussels, Belgium, and four points in France Monday, three bombers were lost. Three escorting fighters also failed to return.

While some heavy bomber formations

were continuing the day and night assault on the Atlantic Wall defenses, others of the Eighth Air Force got their first break in operations for more than a week. Air crews and ground crews alike, who

have been loading and hauling bombs sometimes twice a day, received a day of comparative rest, and operations officers, checking up, recorded as routine six missions in six consecutive days. There were a few of seven in seven days and a handful of eight in eight days.

NEWS FROM HOME

Match Firms AreAccused of World Cartel

U.S. Urges Court Action; Americans, Canadians, Britons, Swedes Named

NEW YORK, May 2—The Justice Department, accusing six American, two British, one Canadian and a Swedish company of maintaining an international match cartel, has asked the Federal Court here to grant a permanent injunction breaking up the alleged monopoly.

The complaint charged that the ten defendants—one of them the Diamond Match Co. of America—by acquiring patents controlling the so-called "everlasting match" suppressed its production and use. The "everlasting match," it said, can be used 140 times and is now used in some occupied countries where ordinary matches are unobtainable.

The suit alleged that as a result of an agreement between the Diamond Match Co. and I.G. Farbenindustrie of Germany, American production of chlorate of potash, essential to match production and certain types of ammunition, was virtually stopped between the first and second world wars. This, it charged, resulted in a grave shortage for military purposes.

Fire in W. Virginia Prison

MOUNDSVILLE, W. Va., May 2— Fire in a tailor shop at West Virginia State Penitentiary did \$50,000 damage Saturday night. The heat awakened con-victs in their cells 200 feet away, but they were not in danger and were not transwere not in danger and, were not trans-

Bomber Crash in Memphis

MEMPHIS, Tenn., May 2 - Four civilians among seven persons killed when a twin-engine Army bomber crashed into the Memphis residential section were identified as Mr. and Mrs. Norman Cobb, of Kansas City, their daughter Garlane and Miss Beatrice Withers.

Red Cross Tops Goal

WASHINGTON, May 2—With contributions still pouring in, the American Red Cross war fund had reached \$211,000,000 today, \$11,000,000 above

Manpower Pinch in Canada

OTTAWA, May 2—Minister of Labor Humphrey Mitchell told the House last night that Canada's manpower pool was "near the bottom of the barrel."

System Set Up to Give Civilians Penicillin Drug

WASHINGTON, May 2 — A nation-wide system for limited distribution of penicillin to civilians was announced this weekend by the War Production Board. Supplies will be sent to more than 1,000 depot hospitals for administering to cases needing the drug.

Ernie Pyle - -(Continued from page 1)

spondents, Ernie Pyle has been closer to the soldier himself than any other writer. He started to report the war to America during the Battle of Britain in the winter of 1940-41. With the exception of two brief visits to the U.S., he has been at

brief visits to the U.S., he has been at it ever since, covering the AEF in Northern Ireland early in 1942 and later the troops in Africa, Sicily and Italy. Pyle's reports of a soldier's life, written while living, marching and eating with troops in combat zones, earned for him the title of "the Gl's own reporter." His book, "Here Is Your War," edited from columns written overseas has sold more columns written overseas, has sold more than a half million copies. The book also is being used as a basis for a motion picture portraying the life of an infantry-

Asked to play a leading role in the film, Pyle refused on the grounds that he preferred to stick to the Scripps-Howard job he has held for 21 years.

A reporter with honest and outspoken opinions, Pyle warned America two months after the African invasion not to expect "a walkaway" with small losses. He echoed the soldiers' own belief that it would take weath. would take months of fighting for U.S. forces to gain the experience the enemy started with.

Pyle came to Britain several weeks ago from the Italian front in order to be on hand for the next show. His bed-roll

By Milton Caniff

to be simply a reproduction of a German by repatriated prisoners. Though P/W camp exhibited by the British Red strictly a British presentation, it is well cross and St. John. The exhibit, at worth a visit. Terry and the Pirates

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CHUB ... I WOULDN'T MAKE A PLAY FOR THAT RED, WHY DON'T YOU TAKE YOU MAY STILL YOUR PLOTS AND SCRAM ? PROVE USEFUL TO EX-GRUNTER YOU'RE MARRIED TO !... I DON'T IF YOU KEEP BUSTING INTO WE" MHEN AOR SEE HOW YOU STAND MY SLEEP I'LL BE SUCH A MESS YOU WON'T HAVE TO ARE NOT I SHALL SEE THAT YOUR VANKEE FLIPPER HAVING YOUR EARS WORRY ABOUT YOUR OLD MAN GETTING WOLF-EARED! HANDLEBARS -OR DO YOU, DEAR ? MOUTH!

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