

Marines Hit Big Jap Base In Solomons

Harbor on Bougainville Seized by Swift Island Attack

United States Marines quietly slipped onto the shores of Bougainville Island early Monday morning and with little opposition seized an important harbor installation, thus giving the Allies a firm foothold on the last Jap-held island in the Solomons, it was revealed yesterday in a special communique from Gen. MacArthur's headquarters.

The swift, coordinated Marine attack—preceded by a murderous air onslaught—saw the Allies jump another 200 miles up the Solomons from New Georgia in the drive to expel the Japanese from Rabaul, the great distributing terminal of the Tokyo-Truk-Rabaul supply line which is the life-blood of any enemy operation in the Southwest Pacific.

Rabaul's much battered airports are only 260 miles from Buin and Kieta airfields on Bougainville—the ultimate objectives of the Marines consolidating their positions at Augusta Bay. Late last night dispatches said the Leathernecks were only 45 miles from Buin.

Halsey in Command
Gen. MacArthur said Adm. William F. Halsey is commanding the Marine force which landed from a powerful fleet of naval vessels apparently unsuspected by the Jap force on the island, believed to number about 40,000 men.

Lack of any important Jap air opposition undoubtedly was due to last week's terrific poundings of Rabaul, and the Bougainville airfields by Marine, Navy and Army aircraft.

Torpedo and observation planes hovered above the invaders as the task force of destroyers sneaked along the Bougainville coast a half a mile from the landing point. After dropping their bombs, the planes returned to rake the Jap beach and jungle positions for about 30 minutes.

Attempt to Intercept Marines
A feeble attempt was made by a Jap cruiser and enemy bombers from hard-hit Rabaul to break up the landing operations. The enemy force was sighted heading south from New Britain and the New Ireland sectors but when Allied naval forces set out to meet it, the Japs turned back without a fight.

After the Marines had established the beachhead, Avengers and fighter-bombers swept in from the sea along the path from Augusta Bay to Buin with machine-guns blazing at the Jap trenches on the jungle's edge.

Escorted heavy bombers, meantime, were plastering the Jap's airfield at Buin and Kieta, in four heavy attacks. Revetment areas, buildings and important ground installations were hit. There was no interception by the Japs.

Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox said the Japs may hit back at the Marines in force but if they do, he added, "they will be met by the Allied warships."

"If no big counter-blow is forthcoming and the Japanese allow our occupation of the island in the same way as they have allowed occupation of the remainder of the Solomons, their key base at Rabaul, is gravely threatened," Knox said.

So far there have been no reports of any major opposition to the Marines.

The Bougainville landing has cut off the Japs from their tiny island bases in the Shortland islands where small enemy forces last night were falling back from stiff U.S. and New Zealand attacks.

On Choiseul, U.S. paratroops, advancing from their beachhead won last weekend, drove the enemy back toward Sagini, in the center of the island.



Big Snowfalls Blanket Four Mid-West States

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Nov. 2—The heaviest snowfalls of the season today blanketed the northwestern area of the Middle West with Minnesota reporting four inches around Thief River Falls.

Meteorologists also reported heavy snowfalls for this time of the year in northwestern Iowa, and North and South Dakota.

Africa Air Setup Revamped; Two Forces in Action

Spaatz Heads 12th, 15th; Austrian Factory First Target of New Fleet

ALLIED HQ, Africa, Nov. 2—Allied headquarters disclosed tonight the creation of a new all-American Mediterranean air force under direction of Lt. Gen. Carl A. Spaatz and a few minutes later announced that the new command had carried out its first mission—a smashing attack on the Messerschmitt works at Wiener Neustadt, in Austria.

The two announcements, coming little more than 24 hours after U.S., British and Russian foreign ministers completed their blueprint for hastening the war's end, were seen as heralding a tremendous new air offensive against Hitler's fortress from the south, in step with redoubled blows from Anglo-American bases in England.

Gen. Spaatz, hitherto chief of the Northwest African air force, will command under the new setup both the 12th and the newly-formed 15th air force, established today.

Both air forces, the official statement said, "will operate in teamwork with the RAF and French units under an overall air command." The 15th, it was announced, will "concentrate on long-range strategic bombing against Germany."

'Strong Force' Hits Wiener Neustadt
The attack on Wiener Neustadt, ten miles from Vienna, was carried out by Fortresses and Liberators, officially described as a "strong force." First reports received here said that bombs were dropped squarely on the target and the attack was highly successful.

It was the second time in a few months that American heavy bombers struck hard at the big Messerschmitt plant in an effort to cripple Hitler's air power.

Gen. Spaatz's appointment to head all American air forces under his command was announced by Gen. Dwight Eisenhower, Mediterranean commander in chief.

The announcement made no mention of the Ninth U.S. Air Force, whose Liberators had been carrying out long-range attacks from Middle East bases under the command of Maj. Gen. Lewis H. Brereton. The Ninth's name has figured little in Middle East communique since Gen. Brereton was succeeded by Brig. Gen. Ralph Royce, but there has been nothing disclosed officially of its present activity.

5th Make Gains On Vital Ridge

ALLIED HQ, Italy, Nov. 2 (AP)—Fifth Army troops, battling against fierce enemy opposition, yesterday pushed forward and occupied large parts of the Massico ridge and the Matese mountains, two lofty anchors of the German line in

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Appeal to Save a Child's Life Reaps Magic Banana Harvest

Bananas—both fresh and dehydrated—poured into Mayday Hospital, Croydon, Surrey, yesterday after The Stars and Stripes had published an appeal for the fruit to help save the life of an English child suffering from a rare disease.

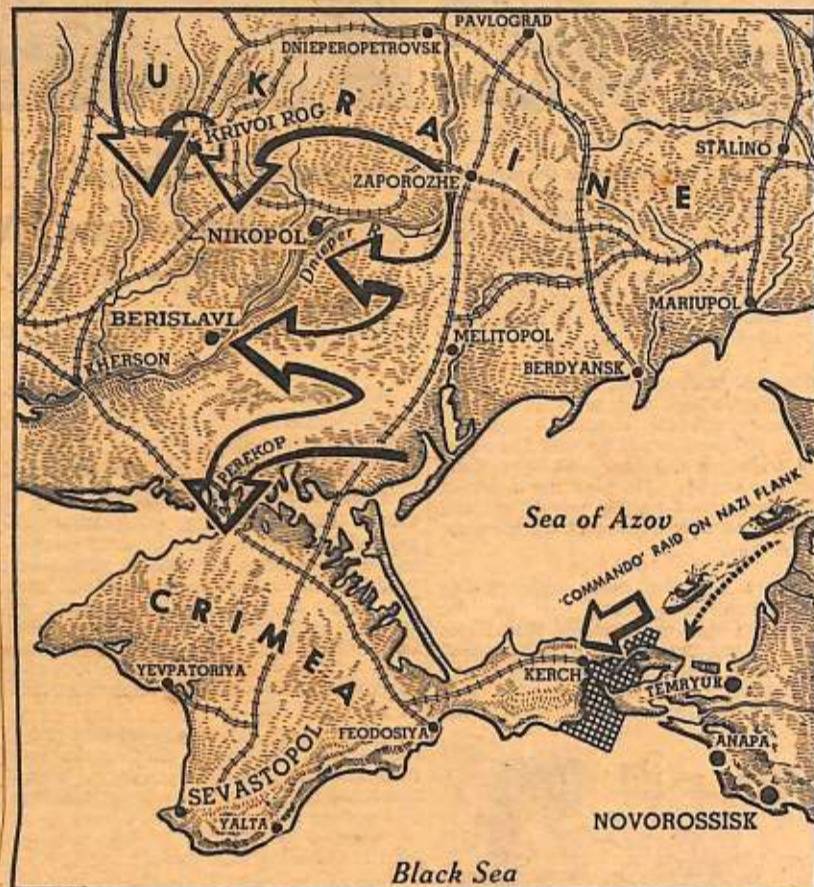
Supt. Charles Swinton said that the hospital had received enough bananas from United States, Canadian and British sources to nourish three-year old Peter James Brockwell for a week, and that arrangements were being made for the delivery of additional bananas following countless offers telephoned to this newspaper.

"Doctors have told me that Peter's life depends on the banana supply," Swinton said. "They are absolutely vital for his diet, since his system can derive no nourishment from ordinary fats and without them his health will deteriorate rapidly."

The blonde, brown-eyed child first suffered the disease, the cause of which is unknown, last June, but was cured after

Reds Thrust Into Crimea, Drive To Within 30 Miles of Kherson; Germans Admit Kerch Landing

Russian Tidal Wave Rolls On



The Crimea is back in the headlines, with Russian drives down into the historic battle ground from the north and a Berlin-admitted landing on the Kerch peninsula. Other Russian forces to the north were driving for Kherson and pinning disorganized Nazi troops against the Dnieper.

Nazi Troops Pinned Against Dnieper Slaughtered

Advance Russian columns which have sealed off the Crimea by over-running the Perekop Isthmus were thrusting down into the great peninsula last night as other forces drove westward toward Kherson and the mouth of the Dnieper River, now only 30 miles away.

Already menaced from the north by the Russian advance, the Germans themselves announced yet another threat at the eastern end of the Crimea. Berlin radio admitted that Soviet troops had landed by sea on the Kerch Peninsula.

Berlin claimed that the major portion of the invading Red Army forces were wiped out. There was no word from Moscow on the Berlin report.

The southern column of the Russian army which smashed the enemy's far southern front after the Melitopol breakthrough had bypassed a large German concentration in its drive down the Perekop Isthmus into the Crimea. These German troops had little chance of escape, as did countless others who jammed the peninsula in confused disorder helpless under continuous Russian bombardment from the air.

Find Villages Unscathed
So fast was the advance on Kherson that Cossack cavalry, for the first time since the Russian offensive began, were passing through villages unscathed by German destruction troops. Advance Red Army spearheads were now in the rear of many Nazi units, which were being systematically mopped up.

The northern column of the three-pronged Russian drive had reached the lower Dnieper at two points, 10 miles apart, north of Kakhkova. Thousands of Germans were thus trapped to the east, and many were surrendering after wandering about foodless and hopeless.

Enemy forces still fighting were in an equally hopeless position. Pinned against the lower Dnieper both east and west of the Russian columns which had reached the river, they were blasted by heavy fire from massed Red Army artillery. They had slim hopes of getting across the river in the face of great Russian air superiority.

Wherever the Germans attempted to set up pontoon bridges or use boats, a rain of bombs converted the area into a welter of wreckage.

Fierce Battles in River Bend
Within the Dnieper Bend, the Germans were throwing in greater reinforcements in the two key sectors, at Krivoi Rog and southwest of Dnepropetrovsk. Along the roads and railways leading southwest from Dnepropetrovsk an entire German tank division had been thrown into the fighting in an effort to slow the Russian drive.

With collapse of the entire German front south of the Dnieper, it evidently appeared vital to the German High Command to hold their lines inside the river's bend to prevent the Russians from closing the neck of a great sack which would trap the bulk of the German armies in southern Russia.

In the Krivoi Rog sector the Germans were still counter-attacking in an effort to buy time with which to move their endangered forces out of the bend.

Nazis Fear Fort Bases in Russia

MADRID, Nov. 2 (AP)—Reports that Russian front air bases are to be made available to United States bombers for daylight attacks against eastern Germany were current in Berlin last night.

Spanish correspondents in Berlin, who repeatedly said that what worried Germans more than any battlefield was bombing attacks from the west, now report the German fear that the Moscow conference may bring the same Fortresses from the east, too.

Such a decision, it was recognized in Berlin, would bring Germany's eastern heavy industries under the pounding Fortresses which have already smashed deep into the Ruhr and Rhineland.

6-Alarm Fire Guts Building

BALTIMORE, Nov. 2—A six-alarm fire gutted a store and damaged several adjoining buildings on West Lexington St. Traffic in midtown Baltimore was tied up for 30 minutes.

Allies Hail Moscow Solidarity; Annoyed Nazis Scoff Loudly

Allied capitals almost without exception hailed the Moscow agreements yesterday as demonstrating a solidarity that would do much to speed the war's conclusion, while German commentators scoffed and snorted that "the three ministers' talk as if Europe were already conquered."

Navy Secretary Knox, in Washington, described the agreement as "equivalent to all our victories in Europe and Asia," and said it "would do more to undermine the Germans and Japs than anything for a long time." Senator Burton K. Wheeler (D., Mont.), on the other hand, couldn't see much new in the declarations.

Most senators seemed satisfied and, like former Governor Alf M. Landon, of Kansas, 1936 Republican presidential candidate, thought it was "a good beginning." Senator Scott W. Lucas (D., Ill.) even proposed to substitute the Moscow wording on post-war policy for the Connally world peace resolution now before the upper chamber.

Moscow comment was openly jubilant. The decisions, said Pravda, "will deal a heavy blow at the plans of the Hitlerite strategists." Izvestia said the best news from the conference was "that important decisions were made pointing toward a second front in Europe by Britain and the United States." Izvestia devoted a three-column front page editorial to the foreign ministers' accomplishments, one of the biggest spreads since the war.

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Strikers Return To Seized Pits

Nation Takes Over Mines; Men Expected to Obey President's Order

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2—Miners straggled back to the pits today after President Roosevelt ordered their return and government seizure of the struck mines when it became apparent that the United Mine Workers would not halt the walkout in spite of the threat of government intervention.

Although it was not disclosed tonight how many of the 530,000 striking members of the United Mine Workers had returned, it was expected that most of the men would resume work tomorrow morning—the deadline set by the President.

In a terse statement issued yesterday at the same time as the executive order authorizing Fuel Administrator Harold L. Ickes to take over the mines and offering army protection for those men desiring to work, the President said that in war time the miners had no right to refuse to work under the "fair contract" offered by the government.

"Coal must be mined," the President declared. "The enemy does not wait."

John L. Lewis, president of the UMW, conferred today with Ickes for 45 minutes.

Government circles were of the opinion that the union leaders would not dare oppose the President's order.

They pointed out that since the mines now were under Federal control, anyone encouraging continued idleness would be liable to imprisonment or fines under the Connally-Smith-Harness anti-strike law.

President Roosevelt acted swiftly to end the fourth great coal strike in six months when the union's Policy Committee, meeting here yesterday, referred the dispute to a sub-committee and thus postponed a settlement of the strike.

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Hash Marks

Signs of the Times. Even the burlesque circuit has taken on culture. Rose La Rose, newest Hollywood aspirant from the burlesque ranks, admits being a college girl. She went to Northwestern and, appropriately enough, majored in biology!

Hollywood eccentricities. Most of the scenes of a new film entitled "Home In Indiana" were shot in Ohio and Kentucky.

The GIs at Camp Pickett, Va., were plenty mad. It had been dance night—a big dance—and the CO had promised



them an extra hour's sleep in the morning, and here was the bugler sounding off at the regular time! So the sleepy GIs pour out and gently remind the bugler that he's way off the beam. Quite equal to the occasion, the horn tooter nonchalantly turns and blows TAPS, and the whole camp peacefully returns to bed for another hour of slumber.

Marshal Badoglio (of the Italian army) has come through with what we think is quite a remarkable proposal. After the war he wants to put Hitler and Mussolini in a traveling sideshow and have them tour the world. He says the price of admission would quickly pay off all war debts. And they might pick-up Hirohito on the way.

Honors for the most embarrassing moment of the week go to the director of the Peterborough Red Cross club. It was the day of the club's first anniversary, and high-ranking officers of the American and British armies, Red Cross officials, and assemblage of lords



and ladies and a host of GIs had gathered for the occasion. Fifteen minutes before the official ceremony was to begin the busy director realized that his trousers had become torn and a change was needed. Dashing into his room, he handed the pants to a porter and reached in the closet for a clean pair—but the closet was bare. Then came the painful realization that he had sent his other trousers to the cleaners also. So here was the situation: Below, a recreation hall full of dignitaries waiting for the program to start; upstairs, a worried director pacing the corridor sans trousers and no phone in the room. The situation was saved by a passing GI who loaned the director his pants and patiently sat upstairs until the ceremony was over. J. C. W.

'Dead Ducks' Are Brought to Life



Ordnance Crews Learning the Tricks Of Recovering Vehicles Stranded In the Water at Landings

By Philip H. Bucknell

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

AN ORDNANCE EXPERIMENTAL STATION, Nov. 2—Stories from the Italian front tell how Allied vehicles, tanks, trucks, etc., are being forded across rivers with the aid of winches on shore, or by lines connected with bulldozers. That, to the men at this station, is old stuff.

There is an amphibious recovery unit here, and its commanding officer, Capt. Guy L. Young, of Madisonville, Ky., says, "When we first experimented with the recovery of dead ducks, as we call vehicles stranded in water, we used the winch. Men would wade out into the water, carrying a cable, connect it up and, gradually, the machine would be hauled ashore. It was effective, but very, very slow. These days we can recover 15 vehicles while that method would be pulling in one."

At this station, where all problems connected with amphibious warfare are investigated and snags ironed out, the men, according to Young, learn to be sailors, divers, mechanics, experts with every type of wheeled or tracked vehicle, all in addition to being hard-fighting soldiers.

One of the "snags" that came out of Africa, Sicily, Italy, as well as from maneuvers at home and in the ETO was how to "keep 'em rolling" as tanks and trucks plunged off the ramps of carrying craft and into the sea or river water.

Difficulties Overcome

All vehicles likely to have to negotiate water obstacles are waterproofed, and that waterproofing—on paper—will enable any vehicle to travel along the seabed when water is deep over its engine. But what looks good on paper doesn't necessarily always work in practice. Sometimes drivers fail to carry out instructions and water seeps into vital parts. Sometimes a driver, caught off guard as water pours in over the driving seat, lets his foot off the accelerator for a moment and the engine conks out.

"That," says Capt. Young, "is where we come in. A tank or a truck stuck in the water is not only a vehicle out of action, it is a sitting bird for the enemy gunners, and this is probably the most important of all—it is in the way, holding up the others. We have experimented with many methods, but the one we are

using now is good—a tractor, the large D-7, as a towing or pushing job."

There is a tall young private from Minneapolis, William J. Thompson, who has been driving the D-7 (hereinafter referred to as the cat) for eight months on these experiments. Yesterday he drove his cumbersome, clattering cat—designed originally to help a farmer somewhere in the corn-belt—down a long, shallow, sandy shore in England, and far out into the sea. "We can go out to eight feet of water, if necessary," he said.

A mechanized outfit was trying out the waterproofing jobs they had performed on their vehicles and, without cynicism, the recovery unit was there to help the dead ducks. With Thompson were Cpl. Joseph Jastrombowski, of Milwaukee, and a guy who shouldn't have been there at all, but went for the ride, Sgt. Vernon Rietz, of Peoria, Ill.

A problem like this is dependent on the tides and, despite what the bulletin board says about chow at 12 noon, this crew had been working through the morning; it was now well past midday. It still didn't look like there was much chance of getting near food for a long time.

"This job," yelled Thompson, as water swirled around his legs and a wave, spuming against the caterpillars, broke over the three men, "makes you hungry, cold, and plenty wet."

Tank Makes It

The carrying craft, an LCT, put in toward shore and dropped its ramp some 80 yards from the shore. A tank trundled to the head of the ramp, dipped its nose as it went down the slope, and then plunged into the swirling water. The white foam rushed over it. For a moment it seemed lost, but the driver never faltered, and slowly it crawled its way out and on to dry land. Then another, and another.

"Business," said Capt. Young, "looks bad."

The captain put out to sea in another amphibian vehicle. The pilot, driver, or helmsman of Capt. Young's craft was S/Sgt. Harry Burge, of San Antonio, Tex., who has trouble knowing just when his vehicle is going to turn into a boat. He took his craft just that little bit too far into the sea, and the back surge of a wave carried it out of depth. For a while it looked as if the tractor was going to be a real recovery job. But it wasn't. After an alarming amount of rolling, Burge got the tractors digging back into the sand, and the crew carried on looking superior, as other land vehicles got themselves stranded.

'Cat' Becomes 'Retriever'

Quite a few failed to make the sea trip. Two two-and-a-half ton trucks faltered and stopped as soon as they ducked under the foam. Thompson threw his cat into gear and trundled through the waves to the wrecks. Thompson being an old hand at the recovery game, just one vehicle is child's play to him—he took on the two at one time.

He maneuvered the cat to the rear of the foremost truck and in a position to push. Meantime Rietz took a cable and hooked it onto a second truck—which sounds easy. What Rietz actually had to do was to hold his breath and plunge under the water, groping for a fixture to which he could make fast his line.

Young, riding the rolling and swaying out that Rietz was taking on quite a job. "Given five feet of water," he said, "and a five-foot wave, the boy is playing about under ten feet of water with a tide running. He has to know the construction of every type of vehicle, and where the best towing point is located so that he



At an Ordnance Experimental Station in England a D-7 tractor (above) tows an army tractor into shore. Vehicles are waterproofed to enable them to wade through the sea after landing from carrying craft—but some fail. The job of this station is to find the best way of getting those that don't make the grade on to land. 2/Lt. Stanton Baum, a transportation officer (below) isn't taking his jeep for a road test, despite what the signs say. Something went wrong with his waterproofing—that's all.

can make fast in the shortest possible time—not only for his own sake, but because this recovery is a job that must be handled with the greatest possible speed."

Rietz made good time, and the procession started shorewards. With one truck on its bumpers and the other strung out behind, the cat looked like a harassed matron making her way through a bargain basement, one child held by the shoulder, the other dragged along by the hand. The truck drivers and passengers just looked wet and cold.

Waterproofing the Tractor

The tide began to come in and the waves ran higher. The cat had a lot of clients. The waterproofing job on the tractor calls for a long pipe being mounted upright as an extension to the induction air cleaner, the top of which is 11 or 12 feet off the ground. Soon the incoming tide threw waves right over the top, until the cat looked more like a submarine with its periscope peering over the waves than a respectable land-going vehicle.

Thompson kept the cat moving fast, and Rietz and Jastrombowski took turns in diving under to hook on the dead ducks. The average time of getting a vehicle onto dry land after its failing was well under three minutes. But the tide was running fast and quite a number of vehicles had failed to stay the course.

There was a jeep that got stuck, and Capt. Young gave orders for his craft to get on the job. The jeep's driver was a young second lieutenant, Stanton Baum, of Claremont, Va., who, as the water mounted higher over the car, stood up on the driving seat and then on the hood. Every wave threatened to knock him off his perch. Every wave made him wetter and colder.

Young's vehicle drew alongside. Pfc. Emil Giammarino, of Portchester, N.Y., threw a line out to the officer, who made it fast. Burge put the tractor into reverse and began to pull the jeep to land.

Lt. Baum remained standing on the hood and, between his legs, as the jeep came above the water, could be seen, painted below the windscreen, a sign that said, "Motor Transportation Officer." As the water level sank still lower another sign, red painted and lugubrious, read, "Road Test."

"Something," said the Lieutenant, "must be wrong with my waterproofing." That afternoon, quite a lot had been wrong with the waterproofing of the vehicles, but for most of the drivers it was the first time they had attempted such a test.

Pacific Offensive

The lull in the Southwest Pacific since the battles fought round Finschafen has been broken. American Marines, in what is generally regarded as a move to out-flank Rabaul, have swarmed ashore at Empress Augusta Bay on the west coast of Bougainville in an operation whose initial success justifies high hopes for another MacArthur victory.

Early communiques covering this new amphibious operation do not reveal its scale, but a study of the map discloses its strategic possibilities, for Bougainville, last Jap-held island in the Solomons Group, is only 260 miles from Rabaul.

For some time now Washington officials have hinted that the lull in the Pacific was just the quiet before the storm. The present move may therefore be a limited operation or a major offensive aimed at both Rabaul and Truk, key Japanese positions in the South Pacific. Certainly it represents another bold stab at Japan's island perimeter of defense, for with Bougainville in our possession simultaneous attacks from Finschafen on the one side and Bougainville on the other will pinch out Japanese headquarters in the South Pacific located at Rabaul.

In any case the new move is further evidence, if more is needed, that the United Nations are on the offensive in the Pacific as well as in the European Theater of Operations. Therein lies the guarantee of early peace.

U.S. White Paper

The U.S. State Department has now released for the first time its records of the deliberations at the Versailles Peace Conference. Among the documents is a series covering the Paris Peace Conference, which includes records of statements made at Versailles by Mr. Lloyd George, M. Clemenceau, Mr. Woodrow Wilson and Marshal Foch revealing their attitude toward the problem of post-war Germany.

Discussing the draft-treaty at the preliminary Peace Conference, Marshal Foch was particularly enlightening, for the State Department records quote him as saying: "To sum up, the treaty secures complete guarantees for a period of five years, during which Germany will doubtless not be in a position to do any harm, but from that moment onwards, in proportion as the strength of Germany may recover and the danger increases, the guarantees become less and less until they finally disappear after the lapse of 15 years. Thereafter there will remain no military means of exacting payment from the enemy, who has 30 years within which to pay, whereas the burdens of the Allies will augment."

The Marshal's argument really meant that Germany never could be trusted, and history has proved his estimate of the situation sound and correct; if history is accepted as our guide at the next Peace Conference we must be sure that nations like Germany and Japan, under terms of "unconditional surrender," accept guarantees that will insure a permanent peace.

Then, if the Atlantic Charter and the Four Freedoms are kept in mind at the Peace Conference, such guarantees, supported by justice, should prove practical in application.

AG Efficiency

The War Department has recently made public some of the complicated processes needed to inform the kin of soldiers of injuries, deaths and disappearances suffered in battle.

A large part of the job is done by the Adjutant General in Washington, D.C., who gets the details from the field and immediately wires all possible information to the soldier's emergency addressee.

Great care is taken to see that the first word of bad news goes directly to the next of kin and is not announced prematurely in the field. In the case of missing personnel, word is dispatched just as promptly as in the case of a known injury or fatality. Further information is sent as soon as it is available.

Often the AG is able to report that the missing man has been taken prisoner. When men who have been missing make their way back to their outfits, that fact also is speedily sent to the next of kin.

The efficient operation of this service during the present war is a tribute to army procedure, for it has eliminated shock and reduced anxiety and heartache in thousands of cases. This alone makes it worth all the effort that is required to insure accuracy and speed.

PRIVATE BREGER



"Oh, Oh! It's that tough Colonel! Just pretend we don't see him!"

Garrett Kayoes Mauro in Second at Rainbow Corner

It's English, But It Isn't Cricket



No, they aren't playing touch football in their shorts. It's rugby and the action is during a game between an Eighth Air Force team and a British squad. The British players (dark shorts) are just pulling off the equivalent of an end run. The Americans won.

National Loop Award Won by Musial of Cards

Scribes Vote Outfielder Most Valuable In League

NEW YORK, Nov. 2—Stan Musial, 22-year-old sophomore outfielder of the St. Louis Cardinals and the major leagues' leading hitter with a .357 batting average, has been selected by the Baseball Writers' Association as the most valuable player in the National League for 1943.



Stan Musial

Musial received 267 votes for a comfortable margin over team mate Catcher Walker Cooper, who was second with 192 votes. Musial led the league in hits with 220, doubles with 47 and triples with 20.

Musial polled 13 first-place votes. Cooper garnered five and Billy Nicholson, Cub outfielder, five for third place with 181 votes.

The following are in the order they ranked: Billy Herman, Dodger infielder; Mort Cooper, Cardinal pitcher; Truett Sewell, Pirate pitcher; Elmer Riddle, Cincinnati pitcher; Bob Elliott, Pittsburgh infielder, and Frank McCormick, Cincinnati infielder. Clyde Shoun, Cincinnati relief pitcher, and Eddie Miller, Cincinnati infielder, tied for tenth place with 24 votes each.

Twenty-four members of the Baseball Writers' Association of America voted. Musial will receive the Sporting News award.

Majors Draft 15 Players

CHICAGO, Nov. 2—Eight major league teams have drafted 15 minor league players. Many more were expected to be drafted, but the magnates apparently preferred to wait and see the results of the military draft.

The New York Giants selected Phil Weintraub, Toledo first baseman; Hugh Luby, Oakland second baseman; Ewald Pyle, Minneapolis southpaw, and George Hausman, New Orleans second baseman. The Phillies selected Charles Chanz, San Diego pitcher, and Charles Letchas, Toronto second baseman. The Braves picked Chet Wieczorek, Columbus outfielder, and Ira Hutchinson, Rochester pitcher.

The Tigers took Eddie Mayo, Louisville infielder, and Joe Orenge, St. Paul infielder. The White Sox grabbed Eddie Garnett, Seattle outfielder, and Al Epperly, San Francisco pitcher. The Red Sox claimed Clem Houseman, Kansas City pitcher. The Dodgers took Gilbert English, Indianapolis infielder, and the Browns took Henry Helf, Milwaukee catcher.

Negro Giants Win, 4-3

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 2—Satchel Paige, veteran Negro pitching star, fanned 14 batters here and participated in a last-inning, four-run rally, enabling the Negro Giants to whip a team composed of major leaguers, 4-3.

Help Wanted —AND GIVEN

Write your question or problem to Help Wanted, Stars and Stripes, Printing House Sq., London, EC4.

Lost

CANDID Camera, Arvus Model A, left in London taxi Oct. 26. Name and address are inside. Reward if returned to Lt. William T. Thistlethwaite, c/o Help Wanted.

Found

GLOVE, leather, wool lined, left by officer on No. 7 bus, London, 8:15 AM Nov. 1. Col. F. E. Franter, c/o Help Wanted.

Miscellaneous

BETA THETA PI—Guest night will be held Nov. 13, 7 PM at No. 3 Grosvenor Sq., London. Ed Murrow, Columbia Broadcasting System correspondent, will talk on radio broadcast. Each member can bring one male guest. Reservations must be made before Nov. 11 by writing to Jack Mandiso, ARC, APO 887.

APOs Wanted

SGT. C. H. Miller, Hagerstown, Md.; Pvt. S. William Barnes, Baltimore, Md.; Lt. Dodd, Oxted, La.; Jack Lyons, Hewlett, L.I.; Frank Oliver, Winthrop, Mass.

Lib Crews Form Rugby Team And Find It's Plenty Tough

A LIBERATOR GROUP STATION, Nov. 2—With other sports-minded servicemen in the ETO concentrating on football, of both the touch and tackle variety, men of this station have formed a rugby football team and already have notched their first victory against British competition.

Lt. Col. Milton K. Lockwood, of Washington, executive officer of this base, conceived the idea of the team and asked Flight Lt. David Davis, RAF liaison officer here to act as coach. Davis agreed, and a squad was formed from both combat and ground crews. Lt. Thomas Patchell, of Philadelphia, navigator of a Lib, was named captain.

After a few scrimmage sessions the team played a British team and came home ahead, 16-12. Most of the Americans who formed the audience were watching the game played for the first time. After the contest, Davis said, "The Americans didn't do so badly. A few more games and I think my proteges will be able to take on any team."

Cpl. Hugh Calvert, of Utica, Ohio, one of the outstanding players for the Lib team, commented after the game, "It's plenty tough—a combination of football, baseball and hockey thrown into one."

15 Unbeaten, Untied Elevens

NEW YORK, Nov. 2—Army, Navy, Pennsylvania and Tulsa were knocked from the list of the nation's teams with unblemished records over the weekend. There are 15 elevens left with perfect records.

On top of the heap are Purdue's Boilermakers who have won seven games, scoring 193 points to their opponents' 48. Notre Dame has won six contests, scoring a total of 261 points against the opposition's 31. Best service team in the country is the Iowa Pre-Flight Seahawks. In their six tilts they have rolled up 158 points to their opponents' 52.

The remaining squads with unbeaten records, giving games played, points scored and opponents' points, are: Southern California, 6, 93, 0; Randolph Field, 6, 163, 9; Franklin and Marshall, 5, 97, 24; Colorado College, 5, 129, 27; Cape Girardeau Teachers, 5, 118, 7; Bainbridge Naval, 5, 213, 7; Bunker Hill Naval, 5, 115, 37; Doane, 4, 115, 28; Washington, 4, 150, 32; Drake, 4, 110, 32; Arkansas Aggies, 4, 152, 12; Pittsburgh (Kan.) Teachers, 3, 86, 7.

The major teams that remain unbeaten but tied are Army, Pennsylvania, Tulsa and Texas A and M.

Constantino Scores TKO Over Maes in Fourth

PROVIDENCE, R.I., Nov. 2—Lulu Constantino, of New York, 134, scored a TKO over Donnie Maes, of Denver, Col., 132, in the fourth round of a scheduled ten-rounder here last night. Constantino belted Maes at will after warming up in the first two rounds. Maes was knocked out twice on the same night last week over twice on the Montgomery-Phillips by Ellis Phillips of Philadelphia.

Scalzo card at Philadelphia. Maxie Berger, of New York, 149, kayoed Willie Smith, of New York, 150, in the second round of a scheduled ten-rounder. Walter Lewis, of New York, 123, kayoed Archie Goodby, of Albany, N.Y., 131, in the fourth round of a scheduled six-rounder.

Butkovich Sets Big Ten Record

NEW YORK, Nov. 2—Tony Butkovich, playing his last game for the undefeated and untied Purdue Boilermakers last Saturday, scored three times against Wisconsin to close his collegiate football career with 96 points for the season, including 78 against Big Ten opposition for a new Big Ten record.

Bob Steuber, of DePauw, former Missouri All-American and last year's major college scoring leader, regained national leadership this week by scoring 23 points against Ohio Wesleyan on Saturday. Steuber has pushed over 15 touchdowns and booted ten field goals for a total of 100 points. Butkovich's 96 is second, while Steve Van Buren, of LSU, is third with 91 points on 13 touchdowns and 13 conversions.

Far behind the top trio are Bob Brumley, of Oklahoma, Joe Kane, of Pennsylvania, and Howard Blose, of Cornell. Brumley has chalked up 49 points on six touchdowns, ten conversions and one field goal. Kane and Blose are tied up at 48 each on eight touchdowns.

Bringing up the rear are Pete Susick, of Washington, 42 points on seven scores; Ralph Park, of Texas, with 40 on five touchdowns and ten conversions, and Fred Grant, of Wake Forest, with 36 points on six touchdowns.

Hans Crescent Golfers Play Cambridge Nov. 14

The ARC Hans Crescent golf team will take on one of the best teams in England when they play Cambridge University Nov. 14 over the Royal Mid Surrey course at Richmond.

The Hans Crescent linksmen won their 21st victory when they downed the Northwood Golf Club, five and one-half to one and one-half Sunday.

Baugh, Hutson Clip Pro Marks

NEW YORK, Nov. 2—Football records galore were set here Sunday by Don Hutson, Green Bay Packer end, at the Polo Grounds and Sammy Baugh, Washington Redskins back, across the river in Brooklyn.

Baugh's six touchdown passes erased a previous mark of five held jointly by Ray Buivid of the Chicago Bears and Cecil Isbell of the Green Bay Packers. Baugh also gained 376 yards on 16 completions in 28 passes, battering Isbell's 333 last year.

Hutson broke three of his own records: most passes caught, 358; most points scored, 578, and most touchdowns scored, 77, all on passes. Hutson also completed his first pass in nine years of pro football when he heaved a touchdown pass in the first quarter to Harry Jacunski on a fake end around play.

Raiders Blank Irish, 20-0, To Annex Fighter Title

FIGHTER STATION, Nov. 2—A fast-moving Red Raider football squad shut out the Fighting Irish touch footballers, 20-0, to win this base's championship yesterday.

The Raiders showed a surprising amount of power, scoring once in the second period and twice in the closing stanza. Only twice did the Irish threaten the winners' goal line. Both attempts were frustrated, one of them being turned into a score for the winners.

Leahy Working Irish Hard; Lujack in Quarterback Slot

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Nov. 2—It's hard to believe that Frank Leahy wants to improve his undefeated and untied Notre Dame eleven, but if work will do it, they'll improve this week. Leahy has a heavy schedule on deck for his all-victorious gridgers and a major share of it will be devoted to the ballhandling and quarterbacking of 18-year-old Johnny Lujack, successor to the departed Angelo Bertelli.

Bertelli's handling of the leather has been a huge part of Notre Dame's success. Leahy has full confidence in Lujack, but realizes there is a lot of brushing up to be done before he will fit as snugly into the T formation as Bertelli did.

Another department that is in for a lot of attention is forward passing. Nobody expects Lujack to approach Bertelli's effectiveness in this department, but practice can do much to improve his talents. He must get accustomed to the timing of the pass plays and the

habits of the receivers—the way they like to cut and their speed in doing so.

It will be a busy time on the campus until train time on Friday as Leahy is a stern taskmaster and believes the best insurance against an upset is hard work. The team came out of the Navy game without severe injuries. The only player hurt was Bertelli, who sprained his ankle, the only injury in his college career.

There is also some speculation on the status of the fullbacks. Mello is number one, of course, but Vic Kulbitski may be moved ahead of Hanlon for the number two spot. Hanlon was sick last week and didn't practise for the Navy game and consequently didn't play. Kulbitski took advantage of that opportunity to play his best ball of the year and Hanlon may be back on the bench. Kulbitski, ex-Minnesota All-American, broke through for a 71-yard run against Navy, setting up the touchdown which Bertelli finally scored on a quarterback sneak.

3 Knockouts, One A Record, Feature Bouts

ETO Welterweight King Pleases Fans With His Victory

Billy Garrett, ETO welterweight champion from Pittsburgh, did what the Rainbow Corner fans wanted him to do last night. He put away Pvt. Nick Mauro, of the Bronx, N.Y., in 40 seconds of the second round.

Garrett's victory was one of the three knock-outs on the ten-bout card. The first kill was one of the shortest on record at the Corner with Pvt. Johnny Robinson, of Anas City, an., 152-pounder, putting away Cpl. Martin Litz, of Cincinnati, 145, in one minute of the first round.

Robinson threw two punches, the first at 35 secs. going for a nine-count, the next the pay-off blow.

Garrett soon showed that he was going to waste no time with Mauro.

Billy, weighing 154, blasted his 156-pound opponent from the opening bell, driving hard right and lefts to Mauro's face.

Mauro kept coming, but after taking one round of that punishment he was just about through by the start of the second.

Garrett drove a hard left and right to the jaw and that did the trick.

All last night's winners were presented with medals by Brig. Gen. Oscar B. Abbott, G1, ETO.

An old grudge was settled in the final bout when Sgt. Bill Bradshaw, of Fredricksburg, Va., 170, kayoed Sgt. Billy McHale, of Chester, Pa., 178, in one minute 55 seconds of the second round.

Both fighters slugged and clinched throughout the opening frame, and McHale, who was obviously out of shape, was breathing hard at the bell. Bradshaw came out fast in the second and sent McHale down with a hard right to the head.

Kenny Smith Wins

The card started off slowly with a novice welterweight affair going to Pvt. Kenneth Smith, 138-pounder from Bloomdale, N.J., over Pvt. Hy Indenbaum, of Bridgeport, Conn., 140.

From the opening bell it was a touch and go affair—mostly go—with neither boy showing much of anything. Smith showed a nice uppercut which would have been much nicer had it landed more than once.

Hawaii Champ Wins

A 147-pounder from Honolulu, Pfc Felix Reyes, former Golden Gloves champion of Hawaii, turned loose on Pfc Sammy Johnson, Jacksonville, Fla., Negro, and walked off with the decision in the second fight.

It wasn't, however, easy pickings for Reyes. Johnson opened up fast, landing a terrific right cross to the jaw seconds after the start of the first round. Hardly a minute had passed before he clouted another one to the Hawaiian's face.

Reyes wasn't stymied and started an attack on Johnson's stomach that paid dividends. For the next two rounds he kept shooting straight rights to the stomach that bounced Johnson half-way across the ring. In the third stanza he followed up one of the stomach-jabs with a wide swinging right to the jaw that staggered Johnson against the ropes. Reyes was unable to come in fast enough to do any damage and Johnson got out of a tight spot.

Hanna Wins Again

Pvt. Roy Hanna, of Tulsa, Okla., 183, won his second victory at the Rainbow Corner when he took a decision from Pvt. Glenn Carpenter, of Hoopa, Cal., 179, who was one of last season's scrappers.

The first round was slow with only a few blows passed and plenty of clinching. In 15 seconds of the second Carpenter went down and though not hurt took the nine-count. Hanna drew blood from the Indian in the third, and easily took the round, pushing the fight all the way.

Hornick Gets Decision

In an unorthodox affair Sgt. Joseph Hornick, of Pittsburgh, 156, won a close decision over Pvt. Laurence Dobbins, of Columbus, Ohio, who tipped the scales at 157.

Showing some of the old steam that made him — division welterweight champion, and one of the favorites at the Corner last season, Pvt. Tony Pavone, of Lynn, Mass., outpointed Sgt. Americans Decutis, of Providence, R.I.

Pavone, weighing 150, spotted his opponent three pounds and a great advantage in reach and height, but his withering body attack had the former Rhode Island lightweight champ fighting his way out of tight spots all the way through.

A lot of leather was tossed about in the sixth bout of the evening, but neither fighter threw anything that hurt. Pfc Sam Gualandi, of Wilmington, Del., 156, finally outpointed Pfc Cornelius Murphy, 149, Negro from Philadelphia.

The next tussle was little better, even though the participants were two light-heavy professionals, Pvt. Chester Marcinkiewicz, of Kulpmont, Pa., and Pvt. Troy Riffe, of Pittsburgh. Marcinkiewicz got the decision after two rounds of clinching, slugging during the third to open a cut over Riffe's right eye.



Vital Factories Wrecked in Oct. By RAF, USAAF

8th Air Force Heavies Out Only 7 Days in Month Of Important Raids

Flying Fortresses and Liberators, in seven operational days last month, made some of the most important and destructive attacks of the aerial offensive on German-occupied Europe, Eighth Bomber Command announced yesterday.

RAF heavy bombers made nine attacks in force, all on industrial targets in Germany, the Air Ministry announced in its October report. The night-flying bombers dropped more than 13,000 tons of bombs during the month.

Three main German war industries were dealt heavy blows by Eighth Air Force heavy bombers, which succeeded in completely stopping production in three huge factories.

At Schweinfurt, U.S. heavy bombers blasted one of the most vital strategic objectives in the war. They smashed, burned out or severely damaged approximately 75 per cent of the three huge ball and roller bearings factories—thereby cutting off more than half of Germany's supply of bearings.

At Marienburg, East Prussia, the bombers destroyed the Focke-Wulf plant, which had been turning out more than 50 per cent of Germany's best single-engine fighters. Every assembly and supply building went up in smoke except one, which was damaged by blast, after explosives had saturated the 100-acre factory area.

Damage at Anklam

At Anklam, where a large percentage of Focke-Wulf components were manufactured, the bombers demolished or severely damaged three key machine shops.

Other targets which the Fortresses and Liberators damaged heavily included U-boat workshops at Emden, E-boat works at Vegesack, an airplane propeller plant at Heddernheim, U-boat and Stuka dive-bomber works at Bremen, and—in Poland—the port area and railways at Danzig, and shipping and port facilities at Gdynia.

A total of 4,698 tons of bombs were dropped during October this year—sharp contrast to the total of 291 tons dropped during October last year.

Battling against enemy fighters which were equipped with rocket guns and cannon, the Forts and Liberators shot down 784 German planes, probably destroyed 130, and damaged 347.

U.S. losses through enemy action, including ground defenses, were 176 bombers.

B26s Hit 11 Airfields

B26 medium bombers attacked 11 German-held airfields in France during October, dropping more than 835 tons of bombs in five days of operations.

More than 1,000 sorties were completed by the mediums in October without loss. They destroyed three enemy planes, probably destroyed eight more, and damaged 12.

Their biggest operation of the month was an attack on three enemy airfields within a 35-mile radius of Paris. Their best precision attack was on the Beauvais-Tille airdrome—it is estimated that the Germans will have to make major reconstructions before the airdrome can be used again.

Fighter pilots achieved a combat score during October of better than 15 to one. They shot down 77 German planes against the loss of only five Thunderbolts, while flying approximately 3,000 sorties.

On the Frankfurt raid Oct. 4, Thunderbolts destroyed 19 German planes, without loss, on their deepest penetration to date. On the same mission, one squadron destroyed 15 planes, and its group destroyed 17—in each case, a record.

P38 Lightnings were introduced into this theater as combat fighters during October. They joined Thunderbolts in escorting medium bombers on a raid Oct. 24, made several sweeps and provided withdrawal support for Fortresses.

U.S. fighter planes set a record when the largest number ever operated on a single mission in the ETO escorted Fortresses all the way to Duren on Oct. 20.

From Now On, Every Day Is Xmas!

ETO Scorns Delay, Breaks Open Its Yule Parcels

"Do not open before Christmas." Ha! Human nature being what it is, this bit of wishful thinking on the part of the folks back home is being buried over here in a mounting litter of crumpled wrappings, tinsel and Yule ribbons. The ETO, it seems, just can't wait.

Reports from U.S. Army stations throughout the United Kingdom agree that Christmas parcels are coming apart just as fast as GI paws can break through the wrappings. The general excuse for this panting curiosity to see what's inside seems to be, "I thought there might be something perishable in there."

ETO postal officials said yesterday that already more than 2,286,000 parcels have arrived, with 5,000,000 more expected by Dec. 25.

The Chaplain Sees a Chance

Probably a good share of those 2,286,000 have been opened already. The "on the spot unwrapping" situation has become so bad at one Eighth Fighter Command station that the chaplain asserted, "Anyone whose character is so weak that he opens his packages before the specified time should attend services regularly."

The chaplain expects a record turnout Sunday.

Some of those—some of us, we suppose it might be said, The Stars and Stripes being human, too—who have taken a pre-view peek into things got a nasty surprise.

It had to happen. Some got SPAM.

Now Santa is a genial fellow, etc., but there are limits, there are limits. Among those who attacked their Christmas parcels, slaving perhaps at the vision of a wealth of sweets and goodies inside, only to find a "gift" of Spam, was one Lt. Myron Nutter, stationed at an Eighth Fighter base.

He got a double dose of disappointment. Two separate parcels produced a



Santa had a grudge against 2/Lt. William P. Arrington, 27, of Montgomery, Ala., stationed at a U.S. heavy bomber base. His requested package of foodstuffs brussels sprouted a can of Spam. Looking on here in amusement is Sgt. Clement L. Fietek, 25, of Little Falls, Minn.

harvest of two (2) cans of the meaty delicacy (?).

His "pal," 1/Lt. George C. Arnold, slyly sent us this bit of news, promising that if it appeared in print he would be glad to mail The Stars and Stripes staff both cans. He added in a postscript that in no way did he mean this as a threat.

Stars and Stripes takes this occasion to print the yarn, but we gracefully decline the offer.

And then there was the Christmas package that revealed something new in

wifely thoughtfulness. A corporal stationed in the ETO received a fancily baked cake, which admittedly, will taste better in November than on Dec. 25. Enclosed with it was a large box of indigestion tablets.

Regarding Santa's east to west trip, postal authorities revealed yesterday that 2,300,000 extra V-mail Christmas greeting forms were expected to be distributed soon to certain troop units. Practically every unit now has received its regular quota of ten per man.

Light Balloting Marks Elections

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2—Generally light off-year voting marked elections today in New York State, New Jersey, Kentucky and Philadelphia where political observers watched returns closely in an effort to gauge Republican and Democratic strength for next year's presidential campaign.

Early reports indicated apathy among voters in New York and Philadelphia, but the turnout for Kentucky gubernatorial balloting exceeded expectations.

Slow balloting was reported in New York, where President Roosevelt had endorsed Lt. Gen. William N. Haskell, the Democratic candidate, for lieutenant governor, and Wendell L. Willkie had publicly supported the GOP candidate, Joe Hanley.

National interest focused on this race, as Hanley's defeat would force Gov. Thomas E. Dewey to forego his hopes of running for President next year. If Haskell were victorious Dewey's resignation to accept the Republican nomination would give the state a Democratic governor.

There were indications of a light vote in Philadelphia, where former Ambassador William C. Bullitt, referred to by President Roosevelt as "my good friend," was campaigning for mayor on the Democratic ticket, in a normally Republican city, against Bernard Samuel, GOP standard bearer.

In New Jersey, former Senator Walter E. Edge was running for governor against Vincent Murphy, Democratic mayor of Newark.

Kentucky's governor, Lyter Donaldson, was opposed for re-election by Judge Simeon Willis, Republican.

B26s Get New Field

AN EIGHTH AIR SUPPORT COMMAND STATION, Nov. 2—This airdrome has been transferred by the RAF to the B26 Marauder group commanded by Col. Lester J. Matland, of Boerne, Tex. After the presentation ceremony, 1/Lt. Thomas B. Stovall, bombardier-navigator, of Atlanta, Ga., was decorated with the Soldier's Medal for helping a crew escape from a burning plane.

Eight Days After Raid, Kassel Still Smoldered

Eight days after the British heavy raid Oct. 22 on Kassel, the ruins of the city of a quarter million in central Germany still were smoldering, reconnaissance pictures showed.

The Air Ministry has reported that great fires apparently ate through the city unchecked. Kassel's principal industry, the Henschel locomotive and armament works, for all practical purposes was destroyed.

Buttons to Save Veterans Embarrassment at Home

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2—Sen. David Walsh (D-Mass.) chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, said that honorably discharged servicemen soon would be authorized to wear Government-issued service buttons.

The joint Army-Navy Personnel Board had approved the buttons to assist honorably discharged men of draft age, not permitted to wear uniforms, in avoiding embarrassment, he said.

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Eddy Gilmore, Associated Press correspondent in Moscow, said he saw both Anthony Eden and Cordell Hull after they signed the declarations Oct. 30. "Mr. Hull looked very pleased," he said, and "Mr. Eden was jubilant."

In London, where the newspapers rejoiced that any prospect of distrust between the Allies had been wiped out, some observers suggested that a U.S.-British-U.S.S.R. assault on Austria might well follow Moscow's promise of independence.

Neutral reaction was favorable. Stockholm said the agreement boded extremely ill for Germany, and a Swedish newspaper said "the Axis bloc can no longer hope to split the Allied partners." The Portuguese, fed on German propaganda, were surprised at the unity displayed.

32 More Fliers Join the USAAF

Another group of American fliers, totalling 32, including veteran pilots, bombardiers and navigators, yesterday transferred to the USAAF from the RCAF and RAF in London.

They were: Capt. Roderick Mackay Sutherland, N.Y.; 1/Lt. Frederick R. McBrien, New York; Lewis D. Runshe, Edinburg, Ind.; Herman A. Dock, Baltimore, Md.; Geoffrey L. Powell, Belleville, N.J.; Charles W. Baldwin, Pearl Beach, Mich.; Nelson D. Jay, Ponca City, Okla.; Gasper D. Kramis, Hamilton, Mont.; Jack R. Sipple, Plymouth, Pa.; Thomas R. Barron, Omaha, Neb.; Kenneth C. Sanderson, Oxford, Mass.; Edward Hugh Yaczar, St. Louis, Mo.; George E. Dysin, Chicago; Robert J. Niven, Philadelphia; Robert O. Deibel, Youngstown, Ohio; Royden Brown, Eaton, Colo.; Arthur L. Brown, Freeport, N.Y.; Robert F. Schall, Houston, Tex.; Edward Freburger, Hartford, Md.; Charles D. Hendrickson, Hamilton, Mont.; Robert A. Tunnell, Eureka, Cal.; Frank B. Solomon, Coopers Mills, Me.; John J. Offensler, Lewiston, Ida.; Raymond S. Dymek, Housatonic, Mass.; Dorian Ledington, Wichita, Kan.; Romeo H. Freer, Catonsville, Md.; Joseph W. Lauro, Chicago; Vernon H. Buswell, Savanna, Ill.; William Roger Thorpe, Chicago; Frederick Elwood Huntley, New Haven, Conn.; and Charles Joseph Koritsansky, Cleveland; 2/Lt. James Chapman, Royal Oak, Mich.

Two U.S. Fliers Get DFCs For Heroism in Action

2/Lt. James B. Judy, of Mercer Island, Wash., and Sgt. Robert W. Fegan, of Buffalo, N.Y., have been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for "extraordinary heroism," Lt. Gen. J. L. Devers, ETO commander, has announced.

Judy, now missing in action, was piloting a Flying Fortress last Aug. 17 when an enemy plane attacked his ship, setting it afire. The Fort, out of control, spun down to 17,000 feet before Judy levelled it and gave orders to bail out.

However, when he learned that the plane's engineer was wounded and without a parachute, Judy continued to pilot the damaged ship, landing safely at a friendly base.

Fegan, the right waist gunner on a Fortress attacked by fighters and hit by flak Aug. 12, was seriously wounded by a cannon which knocked out the oxygen and interphone systems. He continued firing the plane's guns until he collapsed from loss of blood and lack of oxygen.

NEWS FROM HOME Ickes Announces New 675-Mile Oil Line to Open

Promises Initial Delivery Of Domestic Fuel In December

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2—Fuel Administrator Harold L. Ickes announced today that the initial delivery of petroleum products through the 675-mile pipeline from Beaumont, Tex., to Norris City, Ill., would begin in about a month. The line would operate at a capacity rate, he said, as soon as certain critical materials, particularly valves, were obtained for ten of the 13 pumping stations.

Oil and kerosene for heating homes, the secretary said, would be shipped, as soon as the line was ready, to Norris City, from which point the products would be transhipped principally by tank car to New England and northern New York communities.

Douglas Bans 50-Hour Week

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 2—Douglas Aircraft plants in southern California disapproved a government proposal to step up operations to a ten-hour, five-day week. The management said no changes would be made in existing schedules unless specific instructions were received from Washington.

20 Injured in N.Y. El. Crash

NEW YORK, Nov. 2—Twenty persons were injured and 80 others were badly shaken when a four-car train crashed into the rear of a seven-car train on the elevated railroad tracks at 183rd St. and Third Ave.

Yanks Abroad Must Register

American citizens living in Great Britain and elsewhere abroad who have not previously registered for military service must register under a proclamation issued by President Roosevelt.

Registration in Britain will be carried out by the American Embassy and consular offices, beginning Nov. 16, and must be completed by Dec. 31.

Those required to register are all male citizens, not already in the U.S. armed forces, who were born in the years 1899-1925. U.S. citizens abroad who reach 18 after Nov. 16 will have to register immediately after their birthdays.

If the draft board in the U.S. to which a new registrant's case is referred finds him available for military service, it is expected that arrangements will be made to induct him into the Army without sending him back to the States.

Men failing to register are liable to fine or imprisonment.

Heavy Bomber Mark Set; Super-Bombers in Air

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2—America's new super-bombers are now rolling off the assembly lines, it was disclosed today as War Production chief Donald M. Nelson announced that October production included the largest number of heavy bombers ever built in one month.

Fortresses and Liberators made up a large bulk of the ships produced, Nelson said. In all, 8,362 planes were built, an increase of 746 over September.

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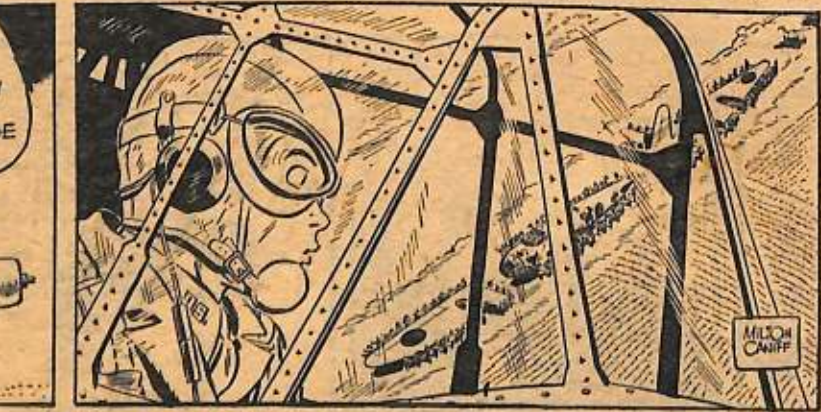
Italy, official reports from the front said today. Along the Tyrrhenian coastal area British elements of Gen. Clark's army advanced four miles, taking the town of Casanova, high on the slopes of Massico ridge.

Americans, further inland, seized a big part of the Matese mountains which dominate the upper Volturno valley. The Eighth Army on the Adriatic side of the Peninsula maintained steady pressure against the Germans and gained some territory at the southern end of this front.

An Allied military commentator described these developments as "very encouraging" and said the Germans are still fighting fiercely to hold their mountain line. They are not in retreat, he said, but instead are being driven out of strategic points in bitter clashes and at considerable cost to the Allied armies.

By Milton Caniff

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- 2100—World News (BBC).
- 2110—Melody Roundup—Western Music.
- 2130—Duffy's Tavern—with the regular cast.
- 2200—Glenn Miller and His Orchestra.
- 2220—Final Edition.
- 2230—Sign off until 1100 hours Thursday, Nov. 4.