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Allies Threatening Sicily Defense Line

RAF Pounds Hamburg Again

Ruined Port Hit 7th Time In Ten Days

City in Flames and Ruins; Hunter Praises Fighter Command Pilots

The RAF went back to Hamburg early yesterday and heaped devastation upon desolation in the ruins of what two weeks ago was the second largest city and the largest port of Nazi Germany.

The attack—fourth heavy night raid and eighth assault in just ten days—was made through storms and cloud formations and cost Bomber Command 30 planes. There also were diversionary missions to the Ruhr.

While reconnaissance photographs were being studied yesterday, from neutral countries came a swelling flood of news dispatches and rumors telling of the havoc within Hamburg. A Danish consular official was quoted by Swedish sources as saying there were "more than 200,000 dead in Hamburg."

Mass Exodus From City

Tens on tens of thousands of civilians have fled the city, neutral sources were unanimous in reporting, and the exodus still was going on as the RAF night armada roared in early yesterday to strike again.

The newest assault on Hamburg, which already had experienced what the Air Ministry called "unparalleled devastation" over 4,500 acres, came just before the RAF released statistics describing Allied July operations as the heaviest month of bombing in aerial history.

More than 7,000 tons of high explosives were dumped on Hamburg in the first three night attacks, which were followed by two light Mosquito assaults, two precision USAAF raids and yesterday morning's hammer blow.

Five Other Big Targets

During the month, RAF bombers also hit Cologne twice, Gelsenkirchen, Aachen, Essen and Remscheid.

Yesterday, all arms of the Eighth Air Force were grounded. Brig. Gen. Frank O'D. Hunter, Eighth Fighter Command chief, sent a congratulatory message to his men on the completion of their biggest assault yet on the Luftwaffe. Referring specifically to the Fortress attack of July 30 on the aircraft factories at Kassel, during which P47 pilots shot down a record 25 enemy fighters, Gen. Hunter said:

"We send most grateful congratulations for your support and outstanding aerial victory in the very heart of enemy territory on July 30, 1943. Our bomber crews are doubly appreciative of the result in the realization that if the 25 Huns had not been destroyed we would have had to fight them. This is probably one of the outstanding aerial victories in fighter aviation history. Our relatively light losses and good bombing results are due, in large measure, to your superb cooperation, and portend bad news for the Huns. To Fighter Command goes a large share of the credit for the highly successful operation of July 30, 1943."

War Bonds Speaking Contest Judges Listed

Judges for the public-speaking contest for American soldiers on "Why I Buy War Bonds," scheduled for Aug. 17 at the ARC Rainbow Corner, Shaftesbury Ave., W.I., are Col. J. H. Fulton, of Seattle, ETO War Bond Officer, and Lindsay MacHarrie, of New York, Director Public Relations ARC., it was announced yesterday.

Prizes—a \$25 bond, a \$12.50 payment on a \$25 bond, and a \$6.25 payment on a \$25 bond—will be provided by The Stars and Stripes.

The three winners of the three-minute talks will be invited to broadcast in the "Red Cross Reporter" program which goes on the air from BBC over the Columbia Broadcasting System Aug. 21.

Tug Sinks After Blast At End of Panama Canal

BALBOA HEIGHTS, Canal Zone, Aug. 3 (AP)—The Panama Canal tug, "Chagres," sank today following a terrific explosion in Balboa harbor, at the Pacific entrance to the Panama Canal. The accident was the worst marine disaster in the history of the canal.

Most Casualties Nazi In Norway Fort Raids

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 3 (UP)—The lives of many Norwegian workers were saved when Flying Fortresses purposely attacked the industrial center of Heroya in daylight July 24 during the 20-minute interval between shifts, according to reports reaching here. Realizing many of them would have been killed had the raid been made at any other time the Norwegians were deeply impressed, it was said.

In Trondheim, attacked at the same time during the first USAAF raid on Axis targets in Norway, only 11 Norwegians were killed from among 800 casualties, a Swedish newspaper reported. Most of the casualties were German officers and men who refused to leave a party when the alert sounded, it was said.

New Push Puts Yanks Within Mile of Munda

Jap Equipment Taken In Stubborn Fight For Vital Base

ALLIED HQ, Southwest Pacific, Aug. 3—American Army and Marine forces, slashing through jungles and Japanese forts dug out of solid coral, yesterday advanced another 500 yards and within a mile of Munda airport, today's official communique reports.

Considerable amount of equipment already has been captured in the yard-by-yard push against the stubborn Jap defenders of New Georgia.

In New Guinea, Salamaua airfield has now come under artillery fire from Allied field guns, which are reported to have destroyed enemy aircraft on the ground and scored direct hits on A.A. batteries.

Sixty feet of bridge over San Francisco river, which enters the sea just south of Salamaua, have also been demolished. The guns are probably U.S. 105, landed recently from barges in Nassau Bay.

In the air, Avengers and Dauntlesses, escorted by Corsairs, Warhawks and Wildcats, attacked shipping in Buin-Faisi area yesterday morning, setting one large cargo ship afire, scoring a hit on one tanker, sinking eight barges.

Simultaneously a formation of Liberators, escorted by Kittyhawks, Lightnings and Corsairs, attacked Kahili airfield, dropping more than 500 bombs on a large concentration of aircraft. Many planes were destroyed and large fires started.

Cass Hough, the 780-mph DFC, Only Pilot With Two Fighters

By Andrew A. Rooney
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A U.S. TRAINING FIELD, England, Aug. 3—Cass Hough, who didn't like his civilian job as vice-president of the Daisy Air Rifle Co., got the DFC for diving a P47 and then a P38 so fast that the speed is a military secret—and for picking up some valuable information on the way down.

He makes these dives with a carved wooden skunk in his pocket which came from Tucson or maybe Phoenix, Ariz., and cost ten cents.

He is a lieutenant colonel today at 36, was a second lieutenant 18 months ago, and has never been a first lieutenant. He is the only man in the ETO with two fighter planes assigned to him.

Hough (pronounced Huff) writes a weekly informal news sheet for fighter pilots, and the story he likes to tell on himself is the day, not long ago, when he wrote a strong denunciation, in the sheet, of the pilots who were too stupid or careless to avoid taxiing accidents, and went out and had a careless taxiing accident on the field that afternoon himself. That, roughly, is the kind of guy Cass Hough is.

As technical director of Eighth Fighter Command he has made countless test flights and investigations, striving to make USAAF fighter planes faster and safer to fly and easier to service. The planes are tested in the States but there are

Naples Raids Tell Italians Respite Over

Peace Outbursts Grow As Bombers Attack Docks Twice in 24 Hours

The Italian people, warned that the Allies had waited long enough for the submission and now intended to carry the full weight of war to Italy, were reported exerting more and more pressure on the Badoglio government yesterday to make peace with the Allies.

As Allied bombers pounded Naples docks for the second time within 24 hours, peace demonstrations increased throughout the country, according to frontier reports, and neutral capitals heard that feeling was rising steadily against Badoglio's inaction.

A rising exodus of war workers from northern factories threatened by Allied bombers emphasized the people's reaction to the United Nations' latest warning of "fighting soon on the Italian mainland."

The warning came from Algiers radio: "Eight days have passed and still the Badoglio government temporizes. For eight days our offer of peace has remained unanswered. We have bided our time, awaiting your decision. Now our forces are on the move. We are at your gates."

'FDR's Peace Terms'

In a move possibly intended to imply that peace talks were in progress and check mumbblings against inaction, Rome radio broadcast late yesterday a summary of peace terms it claimed President Roosevelt had disclosed to newspaper correspondents.

The terms were regarded in Allied circles as obviously false, but many embodied conditions the Allies might ask. Some observers, noting a provision which would put Italian army and navy ammunition, stores and supplies at the disposal of the Allies, suggested they may have been broadcast to prepare the Italian people for use of their bases against Germany, a prime condition of any acceptable surrender proposal.

Another point noted in London was that the Italian government possibly was trying to convince its people that it had managed to talk the Allies out of unconditional surrender.

The asserted terms were: (1) Immediate cessation of all resistance by the army and navy; (2) immediate suspension of all collaboration with Germany; (3) return of all Italian troops occupying Yugoslavia, Albania, Greece and France; (4) measures to be taken to prevent destruction of war material, ammunition, stores and supplies of the army and navy which

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Regalbuto Taken, British in Position To Divide Germans

Where Allies Struck Four Columns Aimed At Road Around Mount Etna



Canadian forces capture Regalbuto on mountain road leading around Mt. Etna and cross Dittano river in the drive for Adrano. Americans push toward Randazzo on road north of Etna as the British hammer at Catania.

ALLIED HQ, Aug. 3 (UP)—Advance guards of the British 78th Division are only six miles from Aderno and the vital road running round Mt. Etna, which, when cut, will split the Axis forces in the Messina bridgehead in Sicily into two parts.

They are the foremost of four Allied spearheads aimed at the road. The other three are:

1—Canadians advancing further east from Regalbuto are at the most about 12 miles from Aderno.

2—Americans who took Troina and passed on were last reported about 14 miles from Bronte, on the road round the volcano northwest of Aderno.

(The Associated Press, quoting Algiers radio, reported that with Troina captured, the road to Messina was now open to the Allied advance. The same report said two battalions of the reconstituted Hermann Goering regiment "have been completely annihilated.")

3—Canadian forces south of the 78th Division have established an important bridgehead over the Dittano river near Catenauova which may either push directly towards the Etna road, or be used in a turning move against the Axis forces holding Catania.

The Eighth Army forces attacking on the Catania front have won important artillery duels and are throwing out more patrols, but no news has yet come of any frontal attack on Catania itself.

The position of Ade no is quickly becoming almost untenable for the Germans, although they will probably try to hold it as long as possible.

Softening Up Aderno

Allied air forces have kept their attacks on this point, obviously to soften it up, and are hammering at other important communication points in the center of the Messina bridgehead such as Randazzo.

Along the north coast Gen. Patton's troops are pushing along the coast road, but the position of their advance guards at the moment is not clear.

In the Troina region Americans operating along the southern side of the Nebrodi mountains took Capizzi and Cerani, both about seven miles northeast of Nicosia.

Pushing over what dispatches have described as a "carpet of German dead" the Americans advanced about 14 miles to Troina, half way between Nicosia and Bronte, where the road from Nicosia joins the road and railway running round Mt. Etna.

Next Goal 1,500 Feet Up

After taking Troina the Americans continued their drive with Cesaro, 1,500 feet up in the mountains, as their next objective before Bronte.

In their advance the Americans overran numerous villages. French Moroccan troops fighting with the Seventh Army took one town, although what it was has not been disclosed.

The Americans have now entered the most densely wooded district in Sicily. Practically all the fighting is being carried out by infantry forces and Patton's troops generally have no roads to drive along, or what there are have been blocked and their bridges destroyed by the retreating German and Italian forces.

Son of Cardinal Boss Gets DFC

Capt. Billy Southworth Jr., of Columbus, Ohio, 26-year-old son of the St. Louis Cardinal manager, who gave up a promising career as a baseball player to join the Air Force, has been awarded the DFC upon completion of a tour of operations as pilot of the Fortress, Flying Run, it was announced yesterday.

Now assigned to duty as operations officer of an Eighth Air Force combat unit, Southworth had been previously awarded the Air Medal and three Oak Leaf Clusters.

The DFC citation praised Southworth "for extraordinary achievement while serving as pilot of a B-17 on bombardment missions over enemy-occupied continental Europe" and for "displaying great courage and skill."

Ploesti Fields Still Blazing; Raid 'Success'

Fliers Were Told Raid Might Equal Year's Drive by Army

Huge fires raged yesterday through the Ploesti oilfields of Rumania, according to reports reaching Ankara, Turkey.

Liberators of the Ninth U.S. Air Force, in their surprise blow Sunday, hit everything worth hitting in the entire mile-long pumping and refinery district which supplies Germany with one-third of its oil, eye-witness reports said.

The importance of the attack was emphasized in Cairo meanwhile by the disclosure yesterday of what Col. John R. (Killer) Kane, of Shreveport, La., who commanded one group of the attack force, told his crews before they started out on the 2,400-mile bombing mission.

"It would take an army the size and strength of the Eighth Army one year to fight its way up and wipe out this target," he said. "We are going to do it in one day with 2,000 men. If we are 100 per cent successful, the war in Europe may be over by Christmas."

Reports yesterday indicated that the attack was highly effective.

Residents of Ploesti are being hastily evacuated to the small villages outside the city and the workers in the refineries have left the oil fields because of the heat and smoke, the Berne correspondent of the Stockholm Aftonbladet said yesterday. Other Stockholm newspapers reported heavy damage and Rumanian fears of other raids, including attacks on Bucharest.

Brig. Gen. Uzal G. Ent, leader of the raid, who rode in the first aircraft to take off on the Rumanian mission, said: "I think the final result will show we have dealt the Axis a smashing blow where it really hurt."

German radio said eight bombers made forced landings in Turkey en route back to their Middle East bases. It also claimed 36 American planes were shot down and 66 airmen taken prisoner.

Official reports said 20 Liberators were (Continued on page 4)

Spits Fly from Airfield Being Shelled by Nazis

AN RAF AIRFIELD, Sicily, Aug. 3 (UP)—Spitfires are now flying from a Sicilian airfield, within the range of German guns, which 24 hours ago was a field of waving wheat.

The airfield, made by British engineers and guarded by the RAF Regiment, was built so close to the front line that it was shelled by German guns as soon as the planes came down on it. They took off immediately and strafed the artillery which had been trying to hit their latest field.

The pilots of the squadron operating from it are veterans of the Malta air war, during which they destroyed 30 Nazis.



Lt. Col. Cass S. Hough

always new problems when planes get into actual combat, and Col. Hough's job is to straighten these problems out.

During his tests, Col. Hough has flown (Continued on page 4)

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Hash Marks

Signs of the times. A burglar who broke into the Crystal Candy Co., Denver, ignored the cash register and other valuables. All he took was two large squares of peanut brittle.

A man went into a Des Moines employment agency to hire a cook. He couldn't find one to work for his price. But he did meet a pretty girl and, after a few dates, they were married. He said, "Well, the only way I could get a cook was to marry one."

For our money, the best sporting event of the year is the one that took place



recently in Australia—a trained kangaroo raced a GI over an obstacle course.

Our spy who covers the financial circles says there is a Wall Street broker who ordered a stock ticker installed in his bathroom. He claims the only time he can concentrate on the problem of what stocks to buy is when taking a hot bath.

Hear ye, hear ye! A cat will be the chief witness in a dog case coming up in the Los Angeles courts. F. Fernandez asked the court to permit him to call his cat as a witness in an attempt to prove his ownership of a mongrel dog. Mrs. Mary Garcia claims the dog is hers. Says Fernandez, "The dog and my cat are close friends and that will show who owns what." The case is being continued pending arrival of the cat.

If Li'l Abner doesn't marry Daisy Mae, Terry is a fool if he doesn't get out of that Pirate league, go to page three and marry Daisy himself.

Maj. Ben Lyon suggests a blue and red typewriter ribbon for every man in the ETO who has 300 hours on a portable typewriter. No infantrymen or air gunners will be eligible for this award.

New note on interior decorations: Charles Bean, two-year-old resident of



Berkley, Cal., has a very fine sun tan—but no one can see it. He wasn't sunbathing either—just took a few swigs from a bottle of sun tan lotion. Hospital attendants removed most of it with a pump.

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United Nations' Men—Belgians



Thousands Training For Day to Strike Across Channel

The men who make up the fighting strength of the United Nations have a common aim—the defeat of the Axis—but they go about it differently. The French march in their own fashion; the Poles salute in theirs; the Norwegians drill in theirs, and the British about-face in their own way. Here is the sixth of a series, which will appear from time to time on this page, portraying the daily life and work of our allies—what they are like, how to tell their rank, what they fight with—in short, a word-picture of the opposite number of Pvt. Joe Blow, from Kokomo.

By Philip Bucknell
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In three camps in England, thousands of Belgians are training to take their places in a continental landing which they hope will not be too far distant.

From a quiet London Square their training is being directed. The ingrained habit of the Belgian to shake hands ceremoniously at every meeting, has resulted in this neighbourhood being named, by the Londoners, "Shakehands Square."

The Belgian Army over here is a pick-up army. It started when a few hundred Belgian soldiers contested their King's order to lay down arms just before Dunkirk, and made their way over the Channel with the retreating BEF. Through three years of waiting it has grown. Many officers and men have escaped by small boats, some through France and Spain. Others flocked to the colors from many parts of the world—Belgians in North and South America made their way to Canada where a training camp was set up.

In one billet in a coastal town is a young private who found his way down to North Africa and joined the French Army. At the time of the Anglo-American landings he was ordered to fire on the Allies, but—"I am a good shot. I missed every time."

The army here is divided into three main groups: commandos and paratroops, field artillery and armored car units. Men between the ages of 18 and 23 go mostly into the growing Air Force (larger now than when Belgium entered the war). Older than 30, they mostly go into the colonial army or to industry in the Belgian Congo, the possession of the African colony which enables Belgium to take its place in the ranks of self-sup-



Well-equipped soldiers of the Belgian Army in England—waiting for invasion day—are undergoing training much the same as any other American soldier in the ETO. These scenes from one of their camps show a bugler (top right) calling men from their bunks for a hard day's training, which usually includes communications tests (top left) or practice with their Bren gun (bottom), or other weapons with which they have been issued by the British.

porting allies; that and the gold deposits their government sent to London and New York when Hitler's respect for little Belgium's neutrality became too enthusiastic.

In camp, the Belgians do not have the same outward display for military bearing that characterizes most European armies. Blouses are even unbuttoned, sometimes. These Belgians pride themselves on sturdy independence, they are realistic, and, like the man from Missouri, they want to be shown. Among themselves they tell the story of three men of different nationalities, choosing their epitaphs. One said he died for king and country, the second for the glory of his country, the Belgian said he died against his will.

Supreme Saboteurs

It is probably this spirit of realism which, in occupied Europe, has given the Belgians the name of supreme saboteurs. They don't perform rash and dividend-less acts, but they know where to hurt the enemy, and they hurt. "La Libre Belgique," worthy successor to the most famous of last war's underground newspapers, is one of the many well-printed papers that circulate freely in Belgium. A copy is found on Gen. von Falkenhäusen's desk each publication day, just as its predecessor waged its war of nerves on the German commandant in World War I.

Here, the army is learning to wage open warfare, and it is well equipped with the latest British weapons. The weapons took a lot of getting used to when the Belgians first commenced drilling here. Before the war, Belgium had a prosperous small arms industry of its own—they sold arms to Abyssinia and to republican Spain.

The infantry was armed with German mausers, but their machine-guns were the FN's (Fabrique Nationale), which looked like Brens, but had the same mechanism as the Lewis gun.

Their sub machine-gun, the Mitraillette, was an effective short range weapon, but their great pride was the DBT—a grenade thrower with a range of 600 yards, which, by any standard, is good.

Drilling presents problems. In Belgium, commands were always given in two languages, French and Flemish; in this country English is added for use on occasions when they have to work with the British Army. The result of this is that French-speaking and Flemish-speaking soldiers are segregated into separate units. Asked how they get on together, an officer said, "You tell me about the Yankees and the southerners."

How Drill is Done

All formation drill is done in column of fours. About face is done to a count of three, on the first count the right foot is brought back at right angles to the left and behind the left heel; at the second, the body is swivelled around, and the movement is completed by bringing the left foot up to the right. On the march the about face is done in the American way.

Right and left facing are similar, on the first count, to the U.S. style, but on the completion of the turn the named foot is brought back, instead of the opposite foot being brought up. The at ease position is assumed by placing the right foot a half pace ahead and to the right of the left.

In their manual of arms, every movement is done with the trigger guard pointing to the front, except on the march, when the butt is flat on the shoulder, trigger guard to the right. There are two main movements in the drilling—port

arms, and shoulder arms. For the port arms position the rifle is thrown up from the order arms position by the right hand, which catches the butt as it flies past; the left hand grasps the balance of the piece. Present arms is the same position, except that the left hand is extended, fingers together and palm facing down. Shoulder arms is done by raising the small of the butt to the right shoulder. Except on long marches, there is no left shoulder arms position.

They Call MPs—

Off formation, the Belgian soldier has the same facility for naming peoples and things as the GI. Unprintable are their names for MPs. "Gendarmes" they call them when politeness pays. Out of hearing, the MP is called the "Piotte Pakker." Piotte is the colloquialism for soldier, and pakker is one who pinches. The GI Pincher is always dressed in the old peace time blue uniform with a red collar, and a cap that looks like something out of a Polish officer's wardrobe.

The non-com's stripes are known as sardines, and they are worn on the forearm. The corporal wears two red stripes on each arm, the sergeant wears two white stripes and the sergeant major wears three. Warrant officers are known as adjutants—the adjutant first class wears one white star on his collar and the adjutant-chef has one star over a bar.

The second lieutenant wears one gold star on each epaulette (a few units have them on their collar lapels); a first lieutenant wears two and a captain three. Between the rank of captain and major is a commandant with three stars and a bar on top. A major has one star under a heavy gold bar; a lieutenant colonel has two stars under the bar and a colonel three. A general has two stars under two bars and a lieutenant general wears three stars under two bars.

Belgium mess halls do very well on British rations—their staple foods are largely the same as the British. The chief exceptions are that when they have cabbage—as they often do—they use it as a base for vegetable soup, and when they have brussels sprouts they use them for a vegetable soup base, too. They never boil their vegetables into a state of anaemia.

KPs Called 'Corvees'

The one heavy meal of the day is at noon; the morning meal is the continental breakfast of coffee and rolls (usually bread these days) and jam. They have a break at 4 PM for coffee and bread and butter, and a cold supper is served at 6. Formation finish at 4, but from 4.30 until 5.30 they sit in on lectures.

KPs are known as "corvees," and apart from the potato peeling and washing up brand of KP, there is a corvee to each table of 12 men.

In London the Belgian soldiers have a service club that is the nearest any of the allied forces have to an ARC club. It is run by a chaplain who came from a monastery in Ireland to do the job when Belgium fell. Prices are even lower than in the ARC clubs, and the set up is good. Every bed is covered with multi-colored patchwork quilts, presented by Canada to the club.

The topic of conversation in club and camps is crumbling Italy. Belgian colonial forces (native soldiers with Belgian officers) joined in the first assault on Mussolini's empire in East Africa. Some of their troops covered the allied flank in West Africa at the time of the landings. Some are now in the Middle East. Many of their airmen are operating over Sicily.

But the coast of Belgium is only 50 miles away.

Sanctions

For the first time since Italy's attack on Ethiopia sanctions are being applied. Heavy economic pressure is being brought to bear on Argentina in an effort to prise her loose once and for all from the Axis orbit.

Leo Crowley, Director of the Office of Economic Warfare, has notified 16,000 United States exporters that licenses for exportation to the Argentine issued before January 5, 1943, have been revoked. In effect this virtually halts all trade between the United States and Argentina.

There are many blacklisted firms in Argentina, and it is believed that some United States exports are falling into their hands and through them reaching Axis countries.

The action is viewed by some diplomatic observers as a definite sign of United States displeasure at the continued friendship between Argentina and the Axis.

Billions Stolen

When Germany begins to cry after the war, remember just one simple fact. She has already stolen from occupied countries some 40 billion dollars in loot, and the volume still runs close to ten billion dollars a year.

On April 25, 1941, for example, Germany announced that 872 ships, totalling some two million tons, had been taken over in occupied harbors.

In Poland the thievery includes the following items. Port of Gdynia \$400 million, Polish State steelworks \$320 million, Polish State forests \$200 million and, within a year after the fall of Poland, the Nazis confiscated 294 large and 9,000 medium-sized industrial works, 9,120 large and 112,000 small trading farms.

In Vichy and occupied France Germany acquired steel scrap to cover normal German exports for three and one-half years, plus 1,500,000 tons of oil reserves, 42,000 tons of war copper, 27,000 tons of zinc, 19,000 tons of lead, substantial amounts of tin, nickel and quicksilver. One hundred and forty trains were needed to carry leather, silk and canned food away from Lyons, and the trains were not returned. The value of requisitioned French railway rolling stock is estimated at \$320 million.

In Czechoslovakia German loot included one million rifles, 158,000 machine-guns, 1,500 airplanes, 3,000 field guns and mine-throwers, over a billion rounds of ammunition for rifles and three million rounds for artillery.

From Holland, Belgium and Norway the Nazis have taken rubber, sugar, copra and foodstuffs, plus all materials that can be secured from the countries named. Nice people these Nazis . . . dead.

Allowance Hike Likely

Higher allowances for dependent children of men in the lower ranks of the armed forces were recommended to Congress by both the Army and Navy. A wife with one child would get 63 dollars a month, instead of the present 62, with 11 dollars a month for each additional child, instead of ten.

A wife without children would continue to receive 50 dollars, the government contributing 28 and the enlisted man 22 dollars. The entire cost of allowances for children is borne by the government.

The proposals were translated immediately into identical bills offered by Chairman Robert R. Reynolds of the Military Affairs Committee, and Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Massachusetts.

Senator Lodge had proposed a blanket 15 per cent rise in government contributions for all dependency classifications; but a joint committee of Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard experts recommended varying increases and the payment by the government of all of the amount of the first month's allowance immediately following induction of a man into the armed forces.

The legislation was presented to Congress after the rise in the cost of living began to work a hardship on the families of thousands of service men. The new bill actually written in part by service men should relieve what was becoming a critical situation.



"What's cooking, brother? Storin' mud for next winter?"

Cards Win Two From Red Sox In Depot Series

Victors Need 2 Triumphs To Clinch Little World Series

By Irv White

Stars and Stripes Unit Correspondent

—ORDNANCE DEPOT, Aug. 3—Taking full advantage of every misplay by the Red Sox (Engineers) in the soft-ball "Little World Series" at this station, the Cardinals (Ordnance MTS) defeated their opponents in two tightly contested encounters, 5-2 and 2-1. The Cards now need two more victories to take the post crown.

Of the seven runs scored by the Cards, only one run was earned, and it came in the second inning of the first game. T/4 "Bucky" Roe, of Magnolia, Del., right fielder, singled, and Short Fielder Pfc Lefty Procovic, of Garfield, N.J., bunted safely. Both advanced as T/5 Ev Hartshorn, of New Egypt, N.J., third sacker, sacrificed. Then T/Sgt. Arthur Bristow, of Wilmington, Del., flied deep to left and Roe scored after the catch.

Neshimka Yields Three Hits

Aided by errors, both teams scored two in the third with the Cards staying ahead, 3-2, until the first of the seventh. Again Bristow batted in a tally as he tripled to center, scoring Procovic, and then he crossed the plate himself as Catcher T/5 William McKerman, of Chicago, dropped Shortstop T/5 Glenn Stokes' perfect throw to the plate on a bunt by Pvt. Joe Garrison, of Huntington, W. Va.

The winning battery was Sgt. Mike Neshimka, of Elizabeth, N.J., and Pvt. Milt Plon, New York. Mike doled out three hits and his rival, T/5 Harry Klocinski, of Toledo, Ohio, allowed seven hits, of which Bristow got two, a two-bagger beside his other extra-baser.

The second game was not decided until the last of the seventh. With none out, Bristow, who had previously singled, flied deep to right. T/5 John Hanson, of Chicago, dropped the ball, and Bristow hit the dirt safely at third. Johnny Procovic then proceeded to bust up the game by singling Bristow home with the winning run.

Sox Execute Squeeze Play

On the credit side of the Red Sox performance was a perfectly executed squeeze play in the second. 1/Sgt. Bob Carpenter, of Cincinnati, who had doubled and gone to third on an error, scored as McKernan bunted safely down the third base line. When Klocinski followed with another safe bunt, it looked like curtains for Neshimka. However, he put the screws on by retiring both Pfc Clark Ewing, of Gorin, Mo., and T/5 Jim Terrell, of Roswell, Ga., on the infield flys and then closed the inning by getting Hanson to ground to Hartshorn.

In the two other Ordnance contests of a five game series between the Dodgers (Co. C) who took second place in the National loop, and the Yanks (Co. A) who finished third in the American league, there was an even break as the Dodgers won, 2-1, and the Yanks came back to cop the second, 10-4. Roth and Miles were the Dodger battery in the first game with Anastasi relieving Roth in the second. For the Yanks, Jackson and Steigerwald were the combination in both games. Pvt. Charles Kucera, of east Pittsburg, Pa., homered with one on to win the first game, while M/Sgt. Crow hit a round tripper for his team's only run.

In the second game, Emmet Jewell, of Chattanooga, Tenn., banged out a fourply blow in the second inning to help his mates' winning cause. The deciding stanza were the first and fifth when the Yanks crossed the plate five and four times respectively.

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Sigma Chi Fraternity

THE first ETO meeting of the Sigma Chi Fraternity will be held tonight from 7 to 8 PM at the Dorchester Hotel, London. Members unable to attend have been asked to contact Lt. Cmdr. H. M. Gilmore, USNR, at U.S. Naval Headquarters.

Lost

MUSSETTE BAG picked up in error by someone at officers' club in London.—Please return to officers' club or contact me thru Help Wanted, Lt. R. B. Archer.

Bill Cox Asserts Harris Called Phillies 'Jerks'

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3—Among the charges flung back and forth in the recent ouster of Bucky Harris as Philadelphia manager is the assertion by Owner Bill Cox that Harris referred to the Phillies as "a bunch of jerks."

Harris answered the remark with, "If there's a jerk connected with the Phillies, it's Owner Bill Cox." Harris added that Cox is an "All-American jerk." Cox's statement about the jerky Phillies was contained in an eight-page announcement concerning the ouster.

Gala Program At Wembley

Bands, Celebrities Feature Saturday's Diamond Contests

By Ray Lee

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

All the ceremony and hoop-la of a big time twin bill in the States will be evident at Wembley Stadium Saturday when the CBS Clowns and the CMHQ nine tangle in the opener and the ground force professionals take on the Air Force cash players in the nightcap. "Play ball" will be called at 2.30.

The second contest will be the first all-professional game played here since 1918, at which time the Yankees and White Sox played an exhibition.

The program will be opened at 1.45 with a half-hour of music by the CBS band under the direction of W/O Frank Rosato, of New Orleans. At 2.15, the band will form the letter "C" in the center of the field and play the Canadian national anthem. Just before the opener, the musicians will form "UK" and play the English national anthem.

Massed Canadian pipe bands will play in the intermission between games, after which certificates will be presented to the players.

Squads Rounding Into Shape

Adolphe Menjou, who is now touring the ETO, will attend, with Stubby Kaye acting as the Clowns' bat boy. Many English dignitaries have been invited and high-ranking American officials are expected to attend.

In preparation for their contest, the Air Force squad, under the watchful eyes of Manager Cpl. Bill Moore, of Greenville, S.C., is rounding into shape this week, while Sgt. Red Shapiro, of New York, who is handling the ground force aggregation, has called a meeting of his boys for 7 PM Thursday, at Special Services athletic office, HQ, ETO. At that time uniforms and equipment will be issued, followed by a stiff practice session at Wembley Stadium Friday morning.

Signals Jostle CMHQ, 6-4, Behind Stoddard and Kelly

Behind the five-hit pitching of M/Sgt. Bill Stoddard, of Red Bank, N.J., and Pvt. Lou Kelly, of Boston, Mass., the Signal Monarchs tripped the CMHQ nine, 6-4, before a crowd of 9,000 at Valentine Park, Hford, Monday night. It was the 20th triumph in 23 starts for the victors.

Stoddard started for the winners and went as far as the fourth, yielding four hits. Kelly hurled the remainder of the contest, holding the Canucks to a lone blow. Cpl. John Carroll, of Woodhaven, N.Y., was top man at the plate for the crossed flag boys, getting two for four. Sgt. Bobby Korisher, of Scranton, Pa., who'll be playing at Wembley Saturday along with Stoddard and Kelly, stole three bases.

Rochester Completes Eli Football Schedule

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Aug. 3—Yale University has scheduled a grid game with Rochester University for the Yale Bowl, Sept. 18, bringing its total to nine games for the coming season.

Yale, with a heavy enrolment of Navy men, plays Lakehurst Naval Station, Rochester, Coast Guard Academy, Columbia, Virginia, Army, Dartmouth, Brown and Princeton. All games will be played at the Yale Bowl, except the Columbia contest, which will be played at Baker Field, New York.

U.S. Softball Play in Sept.

DETROIT, Aug. 3—Raymond Johnson, President of the Amateur Softball Association, announces that the national championships will be held here September.

Nick Clicks



By Pap

Marriage, Claimed at \$5,000, Garners \$163,000 for Owners

By Tommy Devine

United Press Sports Writer

CHICAGO, Aug. 3—R. A. Coward, robust Texas racehorse trainer, is rated today as one of the nation's shrewdest turf economists.

The San Antonio conditioner, who has been batting in the big money interests upwards of 15 years, reaped the biggest reward of a shoestring investment Saturday when Marriage, a seven-year-old chestnut gelding he owns in conjunction with Carl DuPuy, won the \$50,000 added at the Arlington Handicap at Washington Park. Marriage was claimed in 1941 by Coward and his partner from the astute Hirsch Jacobs for \$5,000.

Saturday's victory over Thumbs Up, Anti-Climax and Rounders netted the Texans \$40,950.

"Marriage has been a great investment for us. He cost us \$5,000 and we've won over \$163,000 with him. That beats banking the dough," Coward said with a grin. He added that after he got Marriage, he never again entered him in a claiming race.

As soon as the partners got Marriage they shipped him to the Tanforan meeting at San Bruno, Cal., and he won his first start, worth \$12,500, in the March-bank Handicap. Coward added, "We've been in on the gravy side ever since."

Coward and DuPuy own a modest stable of six horses, all of which have been bought at bargain prices or claimed. "We're not breeders because we can't afford to be," Coward explained.

In winning the Arlington, Marriage carried 120 pounds and covered the mile and a quarter in two minutes, three and six-tenths seconds. Marriage will be kept in Chicago and pointed for the \$50,000 added Washington Park Handicap on Labor Day.

"Unless Webb Everett, racing secretary, puts the grandstand on Marriage when he assigns the weights, we believe we can win that one too," Coward said enthusiastically.

Ford Frick Fines Webber, Owen, Cooper for Brawl

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 3—Dodgers Mickey Owen and Les Webber and Cardinal Walker Cooper have been fined by National League President Ford Frick because of Sunday's brawl at Sportsman's Park. Webber was soaked \$100, Cooper and Owen \$50 each.

The trouble started in the seventh inning of the opener of the double-header between the Cards and the Brooks when Webber intentionally passed Stan Musial, top hitter in the circuit, with four inside pitches, making Musial jump back. Umpire Al Barlick warned Webber about dusting. Cooper, next man up, grounded to second and was out at first, but stepped on First Baseman Augie Galan's foot in the process. Owen, backing up the play, hopped Cooper and swapped punches. Both were ejected from the game.

MPs Play Headquarters Tonight

The —MP nine will tangle with Headquarters at 7 PM tonight at Chingford.

Pirates Edge Braves, 5-4; Redbirds Idle

Mackmen Top Chisox, 5-3; Browns Set Down By Nats, 4-3

NEW YORK, Aug. 3—The second-place Pittsburgh Pirates broke a ninth inning tie last night at Forbes Field as they beat the Boston Braves, 5-4, lopping a half game off the lead of the idle Cardinals. The Redbirds are only ten and a half games in front now.

The Braves got off to a four-run lead, scoring three in the third and one in the fourth. The Bucs knotted the count with two markers in the fifth on Bob Elliott's triple with two on and John Barrett's double in the seventh which scored two. Frankie Gustine singled in the ninth and tallied on Elbie Fletcher's double to win the ball game. Red Barrett, who replaced Manny Salvo, was the victim of Gustine's blow and was charged with the loss. Hank Gornicki, who took over from Bob Klinger in the eighth stanza, was credited with the victory.

There were no other games scheduled in the National League.

In the junior circuit, the Athletics topped the White Sox, 5-3, at Shibe Park, while the Senators edged the St. Louis Browns, 4-3, in the only scheduled games. Both contests were played under the arc lights.

A's Rally in the Eighth

A two-run rally in the eighth gave the Mackmen their decision over the Sox. Johnny Welaj singled, then scored as Jim Grant threw Hal White's sacrifice bunt into center field. Elmer Valo sacrificed and White scored on Dick Siebert's bingle. Hits by Moses Appling and Hodgdon and Wagner's error provided all the Sox runs in the first inning. Roger Wolff went all the way for the A's for his seventh decision while Ed Smith was tagged for his sixth setback.

Mickey Haefner held the Browns to six hits and drove in the winning run in the Senators' 4-3 victory over the Browns. Singles by Jimmy Vernon and Gene Moore accounted for three Washington runs in the third. Stan Spence singled in the fourth and scored the winner on Haefner's triple. The Browns scored once in the seventh and Haefner extinguished the fire after two runs came across in the ninth. Denny Galehouse hurled eight innings for the Brownies and was charged with his sixth defeat while Haefner got number five.



American League

| Monday's Games | | | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|----|------|
| Philadelphia 5 | Chicago 3 (night game) | Washington 4 | St. Louis 3 (night game) | | |
| No other games scheduled. | | | | | |
| W | L | Pct. | W | L | Pct. |
| New York | 57 | 35 | Boston | 46 | 48 |
| Chicago | 49 | 45 | Cleveland | 45 | 47 |
| Washington | 51 | 47 | St. Louis | 42 | 49 |
| Detroit | 46 | 46 | Philadelphia | 39 | 58 |

| Yesterday's Schedule | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| St. Louis at Washington (night game) | | | |
| Detroit at New York | | | |
| Cleveland at Boston | | | |
| Other games not scheduled. | | | |

National League

| Monday's Games | | | | | |
|----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------|----|------|
| Pittsburg 5 | Boston 4 (night game) | No other games scheduled. | | | |
| W | L | Pct. | W | L | Pct. |
| St. Louis | 62 | 31 | Chicago | 45 | 49 |
| Pittsburg | 52 | 42 | Philadelphia | 43 | 44 |
| Brooklyn | 52 | 46 | Boston | 43 | 51 |
| Cincinnati | 50 | 45 | New York | 35 | 59 |

Leading Hitters

| American League | | | | | |
|---------------------|----|-----|----|------|-----|
| G | AB | R | H | Pct. | |
| Appling, Chicago | 94 | 362 | 37 | 120 | 331 |
| Wakelield, Detroit | 93 | 399 | 54 | 128 | 321 |
| Curtright, Chicago | 77 | 254 | 43 | 81 | 319 |
| Stephens, St. Louis | 81 | 305 | 43 | 92 | 302 |
| Hockett, Cleveland | 80 | 341 | 43 | 102 | 299 |

National League

| Musial, St. Louis | | | | | |
|---------------------|----|-----|----|------|-----|
| G | AB | R | H | Pct. | |
| Musial, St. Louis | 97 | 388 | 65 | 132 | 340 |
| Herman, Brooklyn | 99 | 373 | 47 | 123 | 330 |
| Vaughan, Brooklyn | 97 | 393 | 80 | 123 | 313 |
| Hack, Chicago | 94 | 364 | 52 | 114 | 313 |
| Kurovski, St. Louis | 85 | 326 | 47 | 102 | 313 |

Home Run Hitters

American League—Keller, New York, 15; York, Detroit, and Stephens, St. Louis, 14.
National League—Nicholson, Chicago, 15; Ott, New York, 14; DiMaggio, Pittsburg, 12.
Runs Batted In
American League—Ettan, New York, 71; Johnson, New York, 64; Stephens and Laabs, St. Louis, 59.
National League—Nicholson, Chicago, 74; Herman, Dodgers, 69; Elliott, Pittsburg, 66.

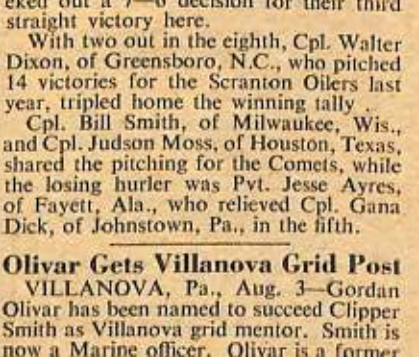
Dixon's Triple Gives Comets 7-6 Triumph

—FIGHTER STATION, Aug. 3—Fighting an uphill battle all the way, the Comets of the —Fighter Group tripped the —Engineers in the eighth inning and eked out a 7-6 decision for their third straight victory here.

With two out in the eighth, Cpl. Walter Dixon, of Greensboro, N.C., who pitched 14 victories for the Scranton Oilers last year, tripled home the winning tally.
Cpl. Bill Smith, of Milwaukee, Wis., and Cpl. Judson Moss, of Houston, Texas, shared the pitching for the Comets, while the losing hurler was Pvt. Jesse Ayres, of Fayette, Ala., who relieved Cpl. Gana Dick, of Johnstown, Pa., in the fifth.

Olivar Gets Villanova Grid Post

VILLANOVA, Pa., Aug. 3—Gordan Olivar has been named to succeed Clipper Smith as Villanova grid mentor. Smith is now a Marine officer. Olivar is a former



Senators Meet Churchill, King, Winant, Eden

Committee Lauds ETO Leadership, Spirit Of Soldiers

Five U.S. Senators now touring the ETO on an inspection tour of all war fronts on which Americans are fighting, yesterday met King George, conferred with Prime Minister Churchill, Ambassador John G. Winant and Lend-Lease Administrator Averill Harriman and lunched with Anthony Eden.

Before they leave the theater, the senators announced last night, they will have visited ground troops, schools, training camps and SOS installations.

At a press conference last night the senators declared they were "very greatly impressed with the leadership of the troops over here." The spirit of the men is "irresistible," said Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., Mass. (R).

Senator Richard B. Russell, Ga. (D), predicted that Italy couldn't last much longer but refused to give an estimate on the time it would take to knock Germany out of the war.

The senators explained that the purpose of the tour was to determine what more could be done at home to help the men on the fighting fronts.

Intimating they already had one suggestion to bring before Congress, the Senators declared their tour of Iceland had convinced them that 23 months was too long to station men in isolated places.

They expressed the belief that one year was sufficient to serve in isolated areas, but they stressed that in cases where it had been necessary to keep men more than a year it was in no way the fault of the army.

Senator Albert B. Chandler, Ky. (D), said he was convinced that Britain and America were determined to carry the fight to Japan as well as Germany.

In the morning the Senators visited military installations and met personal and political friends they had known in America.

Monday, on earlier trips to Eighth Air Force stations, the senators assured the men they were doing wonderful jobs in a "Big League" theater of action.

Good Job Praised

After attending a reenactment of the briefing of crews for the Kassel raid, the senators spoke to the crewmen.

"The morale of the mission has improved 100 per cent by the sight of what you men are doing here," Sen. Russell said.

Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., of Massachusetts, Republican member of the Military Affairs Committee, a reserve major who last year spent some time in Africa as a military observer, told the combat crews that what he had seen convinced him that "the air front on which you fight deserves the name of 'the Big League' because you have against you here the heaviest anti-aircraft fire and the most formidable fighter opposition in the world. And you are beating them."

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would have to be put at the disposal of the Allies; (5) recognition of an Allied military government in Italy which would remain until the end of hostilities; (6) arrest of all persons responsible for the war; (7) release of all Allied war prisoners at present in Italy.

Wellington bombers, usually loaded with 4,000-pound block bustlers, kept up constant raids on Naples Sunday night, attacking harbor, docks and freight yards in emphasis of Gen. Eisenhower's announcement Saturday that the "breathing spell is over." Fear of renewed Allied bombing is causing workers to leave the big factories of northern Italy, frontier reports declared, and streams of evacuees were said to be pouring from the cities.

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Wednesday, Aug. 4

- 5.45—Spotlight on Tommy Dorsey's Orchestra.
- 6.00—News (BBC).
- 6.15—Personal Album—Dave Lane sings your favorite songs.
- 6.30—GI Supper Club.
- 7.00—Sports News—Presented by your Stars and Stripes radio reporter.
- 7.05—Command Performance—Featuring Betty Hutton, Amos 'n' Andy with Woody Herman's Orchestra.
- 7.35—Andre Kostelanetz.
- 8.00—News From Home—What America is doing, thinking and saying, as presented by your Stars and Stripes radio reporter.
- 8.10—Fred Waring.
- 8.25—Miniature.
- 8.30—Jubilee—All-Star colored show, featuring Ernie Whittman, Joe Turner and the Art Tatum Trio.
- 9.00—News (BBC).
- 9.10—Tom Bernard, Y2/c, Navy editor of The Stars and Stripes, relates his experience with the British Navy in the English Channel.
- 9.30—Bob Hope.
- 10.00—Final Edition—Latest news, as presented by your Stars and Stripes radio reporter.
- 10.10—Charlie Barnet's Orchestra.
- 10.30—Sign off until Thursday, Aug. 5, at 5.45 PM.

Londonderry Forces See First Guadalcanal Patch

LONDONDERRY, Aug. 3 (UP)—Pfc Robert Baesthlin, of Washington, who fought at Guadalcanal, has arrived here sporting the "Guadalcanal blaze," first and only badge of its kind local American forces have seen. A square blue patch, worn on the left shoulder with a large figure one, denoting the first division, inside, it has four stars representing the figure.

Baesthlin came via the States, to which he was invalided with malaria, after fighting with an infantry unit from September to December last year.

Russians Split Orel Defenses

Surprise Attack Captures Strong Point, Drives Wide Gap in Lines

MOSCOW, Aug. 3 (UP)—Heavy Russian attacks, on the success of which may hinge the immediate fall of Orel, were made today to widen a gap in the main defenses on the city's outskirts.

Zamenskoye, one of the strongest German defense points north of Orel was taken by the Russians in a powerful surprise attack which forced the Germans to retreat and abandon great quantities of munitions and equipment.

Fall of Zamenskoye, one of the strongest German defense points, opened a wide gap in the defenses of Orel itself.

Three Russian columns were advancing on Orel tonight from the east, from the northwest and from the south.

Fierce battles raged on the northern sectors where the Red Army has hurled the Germans from important defense positions and occupied dozens of villages in the fresh surge forward.

During the past 24 hours, the German corridor of retreat from Orel to the southwest has been considerably narrowed. German strongholds in this area and in the northwest and northeast are being progressively mopped up by Red Army forces.

New WAAC Unit Studies Phones

The second group of WAACs to undergo training in British telephone procedure yesterday began courses of instruction under civilian teachers at a London exchange.

The first class of 58 returned to their units Monday after completing their training and will be dispatched to Air Force stations as telephonists. According to WAAC headquarters, they will relieve WAAFs who have been serving at USAAF stations on detached service from their organizations.

By relieving WAAFs, it was pointed out, the WAACs indirectly relieve USAAF male personnel, who would normally fill the jobs, for combat duty.

Other groups of WAACs are attending schools at USAAF stations under RAF instructors preparing for service as telephonists, plotters and operational telephonists.

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shot down. Associated Press reported three bombers, damaged by ack-ack and fighter action, landed near Izmir in Turkey.

Returning crews told of ferocious air battles with enemy fighters, heavy flak, and sheets of flame 300 feet high during their daylight rooftop-height attack.

Gunners of one ship piloted by Lt. Col. J. M. Blyer, of Tulsa, Okla., accounted for nine of the 51 enemy planes destroyed.

"It was a very successful raid, and I feel sure our targets were completely destroyed," Col. Blyer said. "We fought off enemy fighters for 90 minutes. They continually made attacks on us near the targets and again for a half-hour on the homeward trip."

Terry and the Pirates



Yanks Don 'Dad's' Uniform for Movie



Wearing the choke-neck blouses and irritating wrap leggings of the 1918 GI uniform, 180 American soldiers in the ETO marched all day for the sake of authenticity. It all came about when a British film company asked for real Yanks to take part in a scene from Noel Coward's new movie "This Happy Breed." Here, an English girl helps one of the U.S. soldiers adjust their equipment after the scene.

U.S. Made Axis Cancel Dances Change Tactics At Nurses Club

'Decisive Aid' by America Put Nazis on Defense, Madrid Paper Says

MADRID, Aug. 3 (AP)—The capital's only morning paper, the Hoja del Lunes, in a study of the war to date, said today United States entry into the war gave "decisive aid" which has now forced the Axis to fall back on the strategy of "defense by attrition."

The article, first of its kind in Spain, concluded that the Germans "might," through such defense and "diplomatic surprises," again reach an "equilibrium of superiority."

The Madrid writer said the fall of Mussolini and Fascism, though of an "internal political character," might have certain repercussions on Axis conduct of the war.

'Colossal Adversary'

He then traced the Axis policy of "war of destruction" and "blitz war," through which he said the Axis hoped to gain swift victories over all European enemies. "This strategy was slowed down, however," he wrote, "when the Axis met a colossal adversary who, through its geographic proportions, population, and war material, limited operations of the Axis and spared England."

The Madrid editorial said: "Politics enabled the drawing of North America into the British coalition."

"The United States is a great industrial and economic power, the greatest and best organized of the world, whose privileged continental position enabled her to act as a supply base and to give decisive aid which changed the march of events."

First the North African and then the Sicilian offensives, said the writer, forced an internal change in Italy which in turn "made it necessary for Germany to transform its original military doctrine and put into action its strategic system of attrition, which, already practising in Russia, is slowly wearing out the resistance of the Red colossus."

Nevertheless, there is now a transitional phase between two strategies of destruction and attrition, the editorial said.

Sweden May Halt Nazis

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 3 (AP)—The stoppage of Nazi military traffic through Sweden appeared imminent today with authoritative quarters declaring it was expected that the government would make a statement "within a very few days."

Rainbow Corner Books Broadcast to U.S. NFSA Show

Saturday evening dances at the Charles St. Red Cross club for nurses have been cancelled, it was announced yesterday. A ping-pong tournament will be held at the club tonight at 8 and a buffet supper dance will be held Sunday from 7 to 11.

Rainbow Corner

Program for the week at the Rainbow Corner, Shaftesbury Ave., London, W.1:
Wednesday—NFSA show, 9.30 PM.
Thursday—Broadcast to America, 3 PM; games, 8 PM.
Friday—Dance in Rainbow Hall, 8 PM.
Saturday—Movies, 2.30-6.30 PM; open house, 3-6 PM; dance in Rainbow Hall, 8 PM.

Mostyn

Program for the week at the Mostyn Club, 17 Portman St., London, W.1:
Wednesday—Horseback riding party, 5.45 PM; CBS Glee Club tryouts, 7.30 PM; ping-pong challenges, 9 PM.
Thursday—Open air party, 6 PM; conversational French class, 6.30 PM.
Friday—Bingo, 9.30 PM.
Saturday—Swimming party, 2 PM; dance, 8-11 PM.
Sunday—Outing, 10.30 AM.

Swindon

SWINDON, Aug. 3—Program for the week at the Red Cross club here:
Wednesday—Table tennis, dart matches.
Thursday—Dance, Stiles' orchestra, 8-11 PM.
Friday—Date night, bingo.
Saturday—Games night.
Sunday—Open house tea, 3-6 PM; dance, Stiles' orchestra.

Ipswich

IPSWICH, Aug. 3—Program for the week at the Red Cross club here:
Wednesday—Tennis party, 7.30-9.30 PM.
Thursday—Folk dancing and games, 8-10 PM.
Friday—Dance party, 7.30-10.30 PM.
Saturday—Open house.
Sunday—Cycling party and picnic, 12-7 PM; music, 4-5 PM; dance, 7.30-10.30 PM.

Columbia

Program for the week at the Columbia Club, 70 Seymour St., London, W.1:
Thursday—Gym workout, 10-12 noon; swimming, 12-1 PM; gym workout, 6-7.30 PM; softball, Rainbow vs. Columbia, Green Park, 6.30 PM.
Friday—Gym workout, 10-12 noon; swimming, 12-1 PM; community singing, 9.30 PM; American Jamboree, 18 entertainers, 10 PM.
Saturday—Gym workout, 10-12 noon; picnic to Kew Gardens or Hampton Court Palace, 11 AM; dance in Skyline Room, 8 PM.
Sunday—Softball, Hyde Park, 11 AM; hymns, 11.30-12 noon; swimming, 12-1 PM; sports, Hyde Park, 3 PM.

U.S. Sub Presumed Lost

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3 (UP)—The U.S. submarine Triton has failed to return from patrol operations and must be presumed lost, the Navy Department said.

NEWS FROM HOME McNutt Curtails Extra Services In Restaurants

Manpower Restrictions Hit Catering, Doormen, Cigarette Girls

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3—Paul V. McNutt, chairman of the War Manpower Commission, warned today that restaurants must curtail drastically extra services and eliminate frills if they are to receive the government's help in solving their manpower problems.

To meet the commission's standards, McNutt said, restaurants must reduce to a minimum a la carte and table d'hotel dinners and catering for special parties, and discard finger bowls, service plates, doormen and cigarette girls.

McNutt declared that night clubs, luxury restaurants and eating establishments connected with amusements places could not qualify for aid under any circumstances. He added that all restaurants must introduce self-service wherever possible.

95 Cents of Dollar for War

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3—Ninety-five cents of every dollar spent by the United States government is for war expenditures, Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau disclosed today, in making public charts to support the President's demand for higher taxes and greater savings. He said that \$36,000,000,000 of an estimated revenue of \$38,700,000,000 this fiscal year would "buy guns, tanks, ships and airplanes in order that decency may be restored to the world."

Army Barracks for Sale

CHICAGO, Aug. 3—The War Department wants to sell the 3,000-room Stevens Hotel, the largest hotel in the country. It is being occupied at present by the Army Air Forces, but they will vacate it Aug. 15 and the property will be offered for public sale Sept. 14.

Clothing for Europe

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3—Herbert Lehman's Office of Foreign Relief and Rehabilitation is buying great quantities of used clothing to reclothe Europeans after the defeat of Hitler. Purchases so far have amounted to \$1,000,000.

P47 Pilot - -

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just about every fighter plane in combat today—with the exception of a few Jap models. He has flown the FW 190, Me 109, Ju88 and all the British models. He has about 50 hours on a Mosquito.

His favorite plane of the war is the P38. He thinks there is a great future for bombers such as the P38, which become fighters the minute they drop their bombs.

The particular P38 he likes best is his own, which he has had for 17 months. It is one of a group of six P38s to make the first single-seat fighter crossing, and Col. Hough flew it. He calls the plane Skunkie, and has two Walt Disney originals pasted on the nose. Disney sent them to Hough after hearing of the plane's name.

Col. Hough is pleased with the open mind with which the Army is viewing suggestions. "Every idea anyone has which is worth anything is given consideration," Col. Hough says. "It used to be that a suggestion had to come from one of the bigwigs at Wright Field."

Last March, after he had made his faster-than-the-speed-of-sound dives, he returned to the States and spent a month between the Republic and Lockheed plants and Wright Field, working with the men whose job it is to build new suggestions and modifications into their planes.

Col. Hough believes in U.S. planes. "Our planes are built with a higher margin of safety," he says. "They will withstand stresses other planes won't."

When he dived the planes, Col. Hough wanted to find out what happened to a plane when it reached the speed where the air in front actually compressed in waves ahead of the ship. At that point wings and tail planes do not exert their normal lift because a vacuum is created above and below the wings.

"There is some connection between the speed of sound and the point at which disintegration is apt to begin," he says.

At about that point Col. Hough is apt to lapse off into data only the flying Einsteins understand.

By Milton Caniff

