

## Caucasus Trap Closing on 300,000 Nazis

### Second Air Blow by U.S. At Germany

#### Forts Bomb Targets in Northwestern Area; Five Missing

American bombers struck their second blow at Germany yesterday, a week and a day after the first U.S. raid which smashed naval installations at Wilhelmshaven.

Formations of Flying Fortresses of the Eighth Air Force dropped high explosives on targets in Northwestern Germany, it was announced, but weather conditions prevented accurate observation of the results.

Five bombers were reported missing. Heavy fighter opposition was encountered by the B17s "from the time the bombers sighted Germany until they were far at sea on the return trip," according to a communique. "A number of enemy fighters were destroyed."

"Cloud conditions were extremely bad," the communique added, "and results were difficult to observe."

The U.S. raid came in daylight as fighters were carrying out offensive sweeps across the Channel.

#### RAF Blow, Too?

While the American Forts were out on their mission, Nazi radio reports said that RAF bombers had tried to raid western Germany under conditions of dense cloud and bad weather.

There was no announcement last night as to whether RAF bombers had been out on another mission, as claimed by the Nazis, or whether the American attack had been mistaken for a RAF raid.

In the first U.S. blow at Germany proper, which saw Fortresses and Liberators catch the German defenses napping and administer a sound pounding to the docks and sub pens at Wilhelmshaven and to other targets in the northwest, three planes were reported missing. The first American bomb fell on German soil at 11.10 AM Wednesday, Jan. 27.

#### RAF Hits Hamburg

Preceding yesterday's daylight attacks, the RAF blow at Hamburg Wednesday night left large fires burning in the city, which turns out more submarines than any other place in Hitler's empire.

At a cost of 16 aircraft, RAF bombers thus scored their 95th raid on the second largest city in Germany.

Luftwaffe raiders were over England Wednesday night after American, RAF and Allied fighters had swept against France and the Low Countries in the afternoon, striking at communications.

Three enemy planes were destroyed by the fighters. Two RAF medium bombers and eight fighters were posted missing from the day's operation, but one pilot later was reported safe.

### It's War of Oil, Fuel Head Says

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4 (AP)—Geoffrey Lloyd, Parliamentary Secretary to the British Ministry for Fuel, said in Washington today that Britain had sufficient supplies of every kind of petroleum so far in every theater of war, and he praised the cooperation between the United States and Britain in keeping the oil flowing to the fighting fronts.

This war would go down in history as a war of oil, Lloyd said.

Lloyd told reporters at a press conference with Harold Ickes, U.S. Petroleum Coordinator, that he came to the U.S. to make the United Nations' oil pool "cooperation closer for the future and to improve the coordination for the military operations forecast by Prime Minister Churchill and President Roosevelt."

### Londonderry Naval Base Celebrates First Birthday

LONDONDERRY, Feb. 4—The first anniversary of the commissioning of the United States Naval Base here will be marked by the unveiling of a commemorative plaque tomorrow.

The plaque will be fixed to a flagpole and will be unveiled by Capt. V. L. Kirkman, commandant of the base. Detachments of the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps will be present at the ceremonies.

### Beat FWs, Hit Target to Win DSC

Award of the Distinguished Service Cross to Maj. Algene E. Key, of Meridian, Miss., who in 1935 helped to set a world's endurance flight record of 653 hours, 34 minutes, was announced yesterday by Headquarters, Eighth Air Force. Maj. Key is a veteran of the fighting in the southwest Pacific, as well as of bombing raids over Europe.

Maj. Key, who receives the award for piloting a crippled bomber through to his target during a raid over France last December, despite concerted attacks by enemy fighters, didn't know he had been cited for the DSC until he visited Air Force headquarters for a radio broadcast.

"How do you feel about getting the DSC?" he was asked.

"What DSC?" he replied. He was shown a copy of the order announcing the award, which reads:

"... for extraordinary heroism while participating in a bombing mission over enemy occupied continental Europe in December, 1942. While enroute to the enemy target, the aircraft of which Maj. Key was a pilot was subjected to a direct nose attack by two enemy aircraft. With great courage and skill he maneuvered his aircraft directly into the path of the approaching enemy, causing them to change their course of attack, with the result that a 20 mm. cannon shell from one of the enemy struck in the rear of the bomber instead of the front cockpit where the results might have been fatal to the aircraft and crew.

"The explosion inflicted severe damage on the aircraft, mortally wounded the right waist gunner, and slightly wounded the left waist gunner. Despite his desperate situation, Maj. Key continued his position

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Maj. Algene E. Key

### Soldiers in ETO Now Eligible To Win Legion of Merit Award

American soldiers in the European Theater of Operations now may be recommended for the Legion of Merit award, according to Headquarters, ETOUSA.

The award, announced last November by Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson, is for "personnel of the armed forces of the United States, the Philippines and of friendly foreign nations who have distinguished themselves by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services where the service performed was not necessarily in a duty of great responsibility warranting the award of the Distinguished Service Medal."

The Legion of Merit medal is of red and white enamel placed on a laurel wreath and bearing a constellation of 13 stars on a blue field. The ribbon is of purple-red, edged with white.

Like the DSM, which takes precedence over it, the Legion of Merit will not be given for gallantry in action.

Recommendations for the award are to be made in the approximate ratio of 10 recommendations of enlisted men and officers of company grades to each recommendation of officers of field grade or higher.

All recommendations are to be submitted to the War Department by Headquarters, ETOUSA, and require the personal approval of the President.

### Peace Between Finland, Russia?

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4 (AP)—Renewed speculation as to the possibility of a separate peace between Finland and Russia was aroused by unconfirmed foreign reports of an alleged Finnish threat to stop fighting unless Germany supplied more food.

"To me it is highly significant that in the last few months our shipments to Russia have been greatly increased. In December for the first time we shipped more to Russia than to Britain."

Mr. Wickard said that in recent months the United States had been sending Britain less food than is required to keep Britain's carefully balanced food program operating on a full replacement basis, because of increased Russian requirements and the short supply situation in the United States.

Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson told a press conference today that U.S. convoy losses through the northern routes to Russia were lessening, and that a far greater percentage of lease-lend supplies was reaching its goal.

Also, he said, supplies were being shipped around Africa by the southern route and being speeded to the Russian front by the building of new overland transportation systems in Iran by American troops.

### Anti-Nazi Arms Dump Found in German City

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 4 (AP)—Army guns and other military equipment of German and foreign manufacture were found hidden in attics in Essen, the city's police president announced.

The discovery indicated that the anti-Nazi underground movement was busy among the workers in the heart of Nazi-occupied Germany.

### Allies Blasting Axis Sea Lines

#### Planes and Subs Sink 14 Africa Supply Ships; Tunisia Quiet

The battle for control of North Africa was shifting into the Mediterranean yesterday as Allied aircraft and submarines struck savage blows at Axis vessels carrying materials and reinforcements from Italy.

There was little ground activity on the Tunisian front, but air forces of both sides were active.

Destruction of at least 14 enemy supply ships and an anti-submarine vessel in the central Mediterranean in the last few days was disclosed in Allied communique yesterday.

At the same time Air Chief Marshal Sir Sholto Douglas, meeting correspondents for the first time since taking command of the Middle East air force, said Allied fighters had now extended an air umbrella over eastern Mediterranean shipping.

And the situation would improve as the airfields along the north coast of Africa were extended, the air marshal said, adding "the loss of ships by enemy air action is negligible."

The marshal disclosed that a squadron of Mosquitoes, the fast bombers which hit Berlin from bases in Britain last Saturday, is now operating from Malta, particularly in night intruder attacks over enemy airbases on Sicily.

He described the advent of this squadron, which had had much experience in

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### Paulus Surrendered in Cellar Only when Building Encircled

MOSCOW, Feb. 4 (AP)—The Soviet newspaper Pravda revealed today that Field Marshal von Paulus surrendered only when the Red Army had surrounded his Stalingrad headquarters.

Soviet scouts knew he was operating somewhere near the center of the city and investigation disclosed that he and other generals and colonels were in the cellar of a large building. His personal guard was large.

On the night of Jan. 31, while the guns roared, Russian tanks approached Paulus' hideout.

Paulus' headquarters were tightly blocked and by 10 o'clock the following morning the field marshal discovered that he was trapped. He sent representatives to the Red Army saying that he was giving up. When the Russians entered the building they found him in full uniform in the cellar with other generals and colonels, all unshaven. Also there was Hitler's wireless message promoting Paulus to full field marshal.

As the first Red Army men entered the cellar some German officers were still try-

ing frantically to operate telephone lines which the Russians had cut.

Paulus was greatly depressed. The dispatch reported the capture of the Rumanian general Bratescu, of the First Cavalry Division, who capitulated minus his mount.

"Where are all your horses, general?" asked the Red Army commander. "They have been eaten by Field Marshal Paulus' soldiers," Bratescu replied.

Pravda said the Rumanians and some German generals showed resentment towards Paulus because he concealed the ultimatum from the Russian generals to capitulate.

Stalingrad's streets were filled with motor-cars from all countries of Europe. Guns, trucks and tanks were scattered about the city like leaves in the autumn. The bodies of Germans filled the yards, alleys, buildings, houses and cellars.

A whole German garrison was discovered dead beneath a concrete floor of a building which fell on them after a shell or a bomb hit it.

### Reds Sever Rail Routes To Freedom

#### Ski-Troops Lead Another Big Break-Through In Ukraine

Three Russian armies surged westward toward Kharkov in the heart of the industrial Ukraine last night, while further south three other armies moved rapidly closer to Rostov in an attempt to smash the German High Command's frantic efforts to save 300,000 troops virtually trapped in the Caucasus.

Led by scores of thousands of ski-troops, armed with tommy-guns and light trench mortars, Gen. Vatutin's army penetrated deep into the Ukraine on a 180-mile front. They were by-passing German detachments left in the rear and were cutting enemy communications far behind the front lines, Moscow reported.

On the Rostov front, one of the three armies was only 25 miles from the city, already reported to be under bombardment by long-range artillery.

In the Ukraine, the Don Basin and the Northern Caucasus the Germans were in full flight in many places. Disorganization and panic were evident in numerous sectors, with the Red Army relentlessly hammering at the retreating Germans with tanks, planes, tommy-guns, artillery, and mobile light weapons, moved swiftly over the deep snow on sledges.

#### Back to Starting Point

In Washington Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson predicted that if the Russians captured three key cities from the Germans, Kursk, Kharkov and Rostov, the Nazi invaders would be "forced back to the point where they started last June."

North of Rostov, Russian troops already had cut the Rostov-Kharkov railway, the trapped forces' last rail link with the rest of European Russia, while south of the city other Soviet forces had driven a wedge between the German armies around Rostov and their comrades in southern Caucasus.

Only hope of escape for the latter force appeared to be a speedy "Dunkirk" across the Kerch Strait into Crimea or across the Sea of Azov into the Ukraine, which would mean sacrificing all heavy equipment. Already planes and warships of the Russian Black Sea fleet were said to be battering German transports in the narrow waters between Kerch and the mainland.

#### Reds Attempt Landings

Berlin radio said last night that early yesterday morning Russians carried out several large-scale landing attempts on the coast north of Novorossisk in order to get into the rear of the German bridgehead position on the Taman peninsula, from which the Germans are trying to escape.

Berlin radio admitted the position of the Caucasian troops was serious and added: "During detaching operations, which were carried out during heavy fighting, the German troops performed unique winter marches, sometimes traveling 40 miles a day."

A great army of ski-troops is taking a leading part in the drive on Kharkov, center of a great coal and iron region. Trained last winter to be the spearhead of the Russian attack this year, their great mobility has enabled them to sweep

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Between Rostov and Novorossisk, on Black Sea, some 300,000 Axis troops are virtually cut off and can escape only by a "Dunkirk" across Kerch Strait.

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Another Trap

The trap which bagged the German army at Stalingrad cost the Nazis the loss of considerable military prestige in the eyes of the world. This loss occurred because "The Leader" was afraid to order a retreat and admit failure to take a city he boasted publicly would soon be his.

This fear on the part of Adolph Hitler to withdraw when the military situation dictates the need, may cost Germany another army, for the Russians are closing a second trap below Rostov.

More than 200,000 Nazi troops have been herded into the Kuban Plain. Yesterday one end of the Russian trap designed to bag these troops was closed with the capture of the railway junction at Kuschchewka, 50 miles south of Rostov. This station on the main Rostov-Caucasus railway slams the railway exit shut in the face of the Nazi troops and leaves but one avenue of escape—a "Dunkirk" across the Crimea. This withdrawal has already begun; but so rapid has been the Russian advance that escape of the German army is doubtful.

North of Rostov the Germans still have plenty of elbow-room and they can withdraw to strong defense lines well prepared in advance to shelter their broken armies. But Rostov is the bottleneck to a trap now bounded on one side by the Black Sea and the Sea of Azov up to the mouth of the Don, and blocked in all other directions by a victorious Russian army advancing against a defeated German force. From Salsk the Russians have driven to within 25 miles of Rostov. At the lower end of the Kuban front they have swept down from the mountains nearly to the gates of Krasnodar, the provincial capital. Now they have out all rail lines connecting the Kuban Plain and Rostov. The only way out of the trap for the Germans is across the Strait of Kerch. But when the Nazis struck into the Caucasus they considered the route from Kerch too risky even for a conquering army. Their defeat has not improved this line of communication with Germany, for the Russian fleet and air force you can rest assured will not overlook the mass target a retreating army will present at Kerch.

Scare Advertising

The war is affecting every field of business and industry at home. Most recently hurt is the advertising profession; but claims made that our government is against "all advertising" have been vigorously refuted by the Department of Commerce. The stand of the government is rather that informative advertising is still necessary in the business world for the exchange of goods and services.

"Scare advertising," such as that urging people to buy goods because of impending rationing or shortages, is described as a blot on the information industry, and the Department views as decidedly harmful and un-American all "scare advertising."

Discussing this phase of American advertising, the Department of Commerce states: "Scare advertising as promoted by some short-sighted retailers is actively hindering the war effort. It builds up unnecessary fears and sends a panicky public rushing to stores. It causes needless buying and fosters hoarding. It speeds the day of actual shortages."

"Most important, this scare type of advertising robs our fighting forces of funds needed to buy guns and other munitions. These funds bring temporary prosperity to scare advertisers and permanent loss to our war savings bond campaign."

The war has brought new opportunity to many American advertisers and new responsibilities. Today, Jack Benny and his Jello Gang are still giving joy to servicemen, while Bob Hope may be selling merchandise for someone; but to the army he delivers happiness and belly laughs.

Through the medium of radio and the press the American advertiser can dramatize the part the public can play in winning the war, and to the credit of industry it must be said the response has been excellent. We hope the war cures permanently the "ridiculous" copy angles used in the good old days, so we may never hear again the warning against "Halitosis" or "B.O." Anyway, for the duration, "Scare advertising" is out for the count.

Hush Marks

This definition comes from Pvt. Joseph M. Cohen of a general depot over here: "Jealousy—a friendship between two non-coms."

A lieutenant at Fort Riley, Kansas, stopped a soldier, clad in a combat suit, who failed to salute him and said, "Don't



you know you're supposed to salute a superior officer? "Yes, sir," said the GI. "What's your name?" "Wesner, sir." The GI then dashed on his way for another 100 yards or so and the incident was repeated, this time with a second lieutenant asking the question. But this time the soldier interrupted, "Yes, sir, and I know there's a war going on. That's why I'm here." He then opened his combat suit, revealing silver leaves on his shoulders. 'Twas Lt. Col. Charlie Wesner, battalion commanding officer, making a hurried inspection of the training program.

Lt. Robert C. Healey, QMC, of Providence, R.I., has written a pretty fine variety show in which he has a cleverly titled skit called, "Rain—Or Sadie Thompson Visits England."

Hear ye! Hear ye! The fair sex has triumphed again. In Tunisia there is a little black hen which outranks even the



commanding general in that particular area—at least where the cookshack is concerned. A general was sipping his coffee in the cookshack the other day when Pvt. George Neiberger of California entered and asked, "Sir, do you mind finishing your coffee outside? Annette wants to enter." The surprised general learned that Annette was George's black hen which has been presenting him with an egg exactly on schedule each morning in the cookshack. Annette wouldn't cooperate with the General inside; so the CG stepped outside while Annette faithfully did her bit for the army. J. C. W.

'Misery'—The Story of a Bomb

1,000 Pounds of Grief Is U.S. Bundle For Adolf

"Misery" was a bomb; 1,000 pounds of steel gut filled with high explosive; olive drab and GI from her stubby nose to her fins.

She'd picked up the name somewhere along the line between an ordnance factory back in the States and the Eighth Air Force drome at which she paused before they punched out her one-way ticket to Wilhelmshaven. Someone had scrawled it on her side. "Misery." In white chalk.

"Misery" was expendable. From the day they put her together, from the moment she was born, out of a pile of scrap iron, by a wad of high explosive. She was a bundle for Adolf from the workers of the U.S.A.

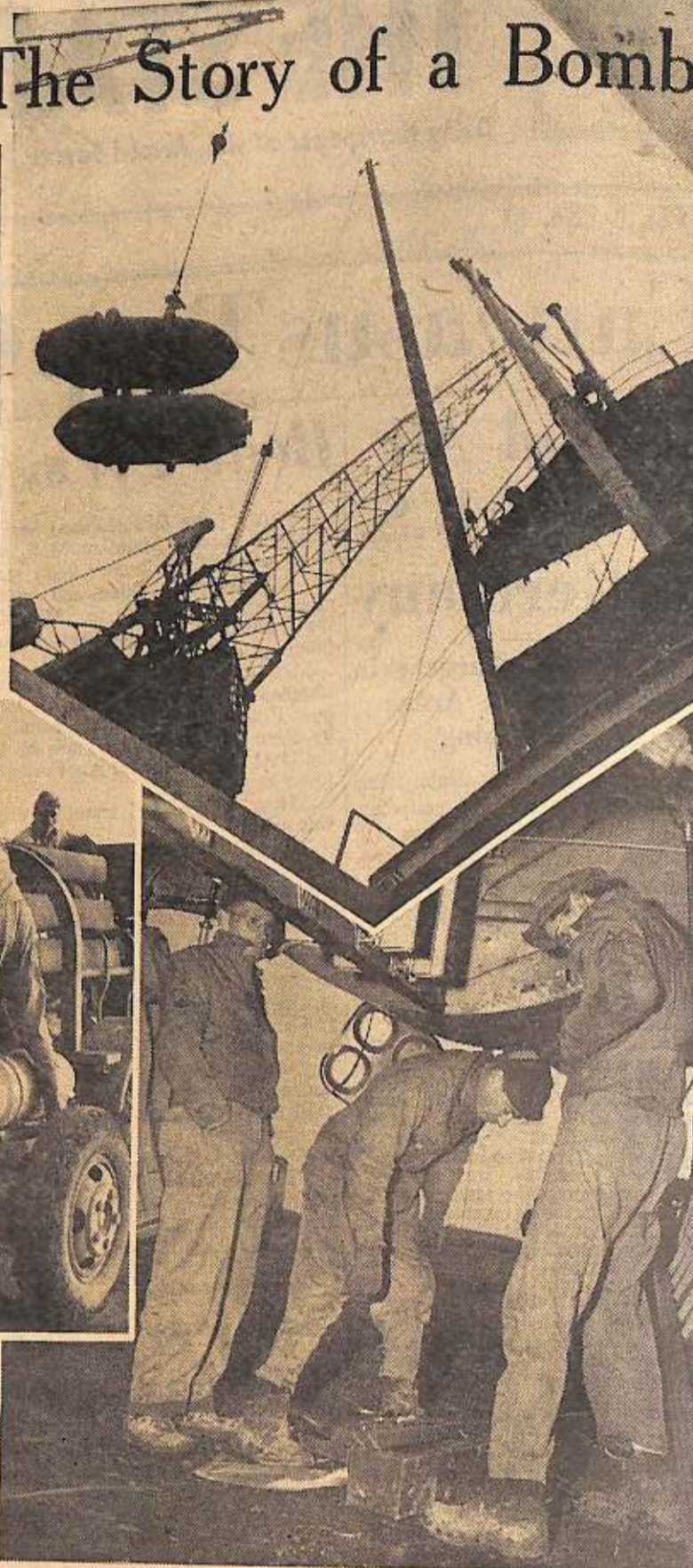


"Misery" wasn't pretty; but she loved company, and she had plenty in the hold of the freighter that brought her to the British Isles.

There were thousands like her in the ship, with the fins that made them fly true and the fuses that exploded them in another part of the hold. She wasn't so dangerous without that fuse, but she had to be handled with care and respect.

She was. When civilian dock workers under the supervision of American Air Corps Ordnance officers tucked her in a cable cradle, swung her up through the hatch, over the side and onto a little deck truck, they made certain there was no roughness. People didn't kick "Misery" around.

They wheeled her over to a freight car and a crane lifted her aboard. Somewhere up the line of cars went the fuses and fins, and the train was shunted off the siding and on to a trunk line. The canvas-covered cars may have held sardines or



"Misery" and another 1,000-pound bomb are swung from a U.S. transport to a dock at a British port. At a storage depot (upper left), Sgt. Peter P. Barbara, Brooklyn; Sgt. James M. Sanders, Sunman, Ind., and Sgt. Leo Deurzen, DeParc, Wis., pick up a load of American bombs to be taken to an airfield. Next stop is the bomb bay where Sgt. Donald Bell, Tucson, Ariz.; Cpl. Sidney Colclazer, Vernon, Tex., and Sgt. William Kuzma, Chicago, make last minute inspections.

sausages for all anyone knew, and they rattled across fields, through cities, and finally stopped on another siding.

Soldiers unloaded the bombs into American trucks, and "Misery" lurched off to a storage point, where the reserve supply for an operational bomber group is maintained.

Here the ordnance men from the station looked her over. A bomb, 1943 model with all accessories, is shorter and fatter than the 1918 vintage. They are shaped like a beer can and painted olive drab for camouflage purposes. Black stencilled writing on the side gives the specifications in code.

The ordnance men stored away the fuses and fins at another point, and bombardiers dreamed of the day bomb met fuse.

"Misery" had a rest at the storage point, in a pile of 20 or so like her. Other piles bulked up at safe distances through the secret, carefully guarded, camouflaged area.

One Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 26, the ordnance men paid one of their visits. This time they brought a tractor pulling a train of long, wrack-shaped trailers. Another check-up and they rolled "Misery" on to a trailer, and more like her.

Bomb Meets Fuse

A short journey and another pause as bomb, fuse and fins met for the first time. The placing of fins on the tails of the bombs and the fusing is delicate work, performed by ordnance soldiers. Once adjusted with her trappings, "Misery" was ready.

There was another ride in the trailers and a halt beneath the open belly of a Flying Fort.

The ordnance men turned to the armament section.

"They're all yours now."

Armament took over, and there was a re-check as a bombardier stood by and double-checked. An improperly fused bomb may bounce harmlessly off a concrete installation, or ricochet along the ground, arch into the earth and shoot up into the air after boring a U-shaped tunnel. It might do any number of crazy things except burst as prescribed. But

there was to be no dud-work for "Misery." Ordnance, armament and bombardier helped and checked each other and made sure.

Jacks clicked and "Misery" was lifted gently into the Fort and cinched in a wrack, her berth for a one-way journey.

Jan. 27 was a pretty morning—ceiling and visibility just right. And there was a lot of activity on the field. The armament men came again, and the young bombardier. This time he carefully pulled the pin out of each bomb, and at his touch "Misery" became a deadly, lethal thing.

He kept those pins. He would show them when he got back. A pin for each burst. And the armament men would kid him if he lost one.

Off For Wilhelmshaven

The bomb-doors closed and "Misery" was in the dark as the motors were tuned into a steady even roar. That was the morning of Jan. 27, and the American Air Force was going to bomb Germany for the first time.

A long, long ride and then the sudden crackle of flak. "Misery" strained in the wrack as the bursts bumped the Fort. The bombardier had his eye to the sight, and there was a chill in the bays as the bomb-doors opened. An instant and the B-17 lightened by a 1,000 pounds, then another 1,000 and then "Misery" fell away.

To the eye of the ball-turret gunner she seemed to arc for a long distance, then she looked like a ball in the sky, and at long last she seemed to level off and shoot straight toward the new harborage at Wilhelmshaven named for Adolf Hitler.

The Fort was well away now, but the ball-turret gunner was certain he saw the burst fully athwart those new docks. And the crew of a following element confirmed his impression when the crews gathered in the interrogation hut later.

But they came back without "Misery." She had gone where the good bombs go. And at that port on the shores of the Jade, where the Hun navy builds raiders and the North Sea U-boat flotilla refuels for attacks on Allied shipping, "Misery" found company, and plenty of it.



"Golly! That reminds me!... Bet my stove's out, time I get back."

# Lefty Gomez Brought Comic Relief to Yanks

## Sale to Braves Leaves Staid Bombers Without A Gag Man

NEW YORK, Feb. 4—When the New York Yankees recently traded Pitcher Vernon "Lefty" Gomez to the Boston Braves, they sold their sense of humor. On a team of businessmen ball players, Gomez served as a welcome comic relief.

When Gomez broke into the Yankees in 1929, his team mates misunderstanding him, tagged him "El Goofy" and "Brash Busher," but gradually he became the most popular figure on the Yankee bench. Many stories about his gags are being retold these days, including the following:

Self depreciation was one of Gomez's arts. He would tell night club friends he was going to pitch the next day, adding, "Come early if you want a flash of the Great Gomez."

The debate between baseball fans as to whether Tris Speaker or Joe DiMaggio was the greatest centerfielder in baseball history was at its height. DiMaggio apparently had been following all the details, including the oft-cited fact that Speaker used to play close behind second base, then run deep into center to snag flies. As the season progressed it was noticed that DiMaggio kept edging closer to second, with the result that many balls went over his head for hits.

### A Good Throw, Joe

One day this happened twice while Gomez was pitching. Finally El Goofy called time out, summoned Joe and said to him, "Now listen, Joe, we all know you're as good as Speaker, but please get back there in centerfield. Gomez is pitching today."

After leading the League in 1937 in victories and earned run average, El Goofy, wintering in Bermuda, received his '38 contract containing a sharp salary slice. So he cabled Yankee President Ed Barrow, "There must have been a mistake. Received bat boy's contract instead of mine."

Another time, while Gomez was pitching, there were men on first and second and none out. The batter sacrificed. Gomez rushed in, scooped up the ball and fired to third. The throw was a lulu, at least five feet to the right of third sacker Red Rolfe. Both runners scored with tallies that beat the Yankees, 3-1, though Gomez pitched a three-hitter. After the game irate Manager Joe McCarthy asked Gomez for an explanation. Gomez nonchalantly replied, "It was a good throw, Joe. Rolfe was to blame because he failed to get my signal for a pitchout."

## Dodgers Have to Wait To Get Steve Mesner

CINCINNATI, Feb. 4—The Cincinnati Reds have had to take back Infielder Steve Mesner whom they sold to the Brooklyn Dodgers last Monday.

Baseball Commissioner Kenesaw Mountain Landis cancelled the deal because of the rule that a player must be given a tryout before he is released. Mesner, up from Sacramento since last season, probably will be given a tryout at the Spring training sessions, then sent to Flatbush.

## Dodds Top Man In Wanamaker

### Unknown a Year Ago, Gil Is Star Attraction at Millrose Meet

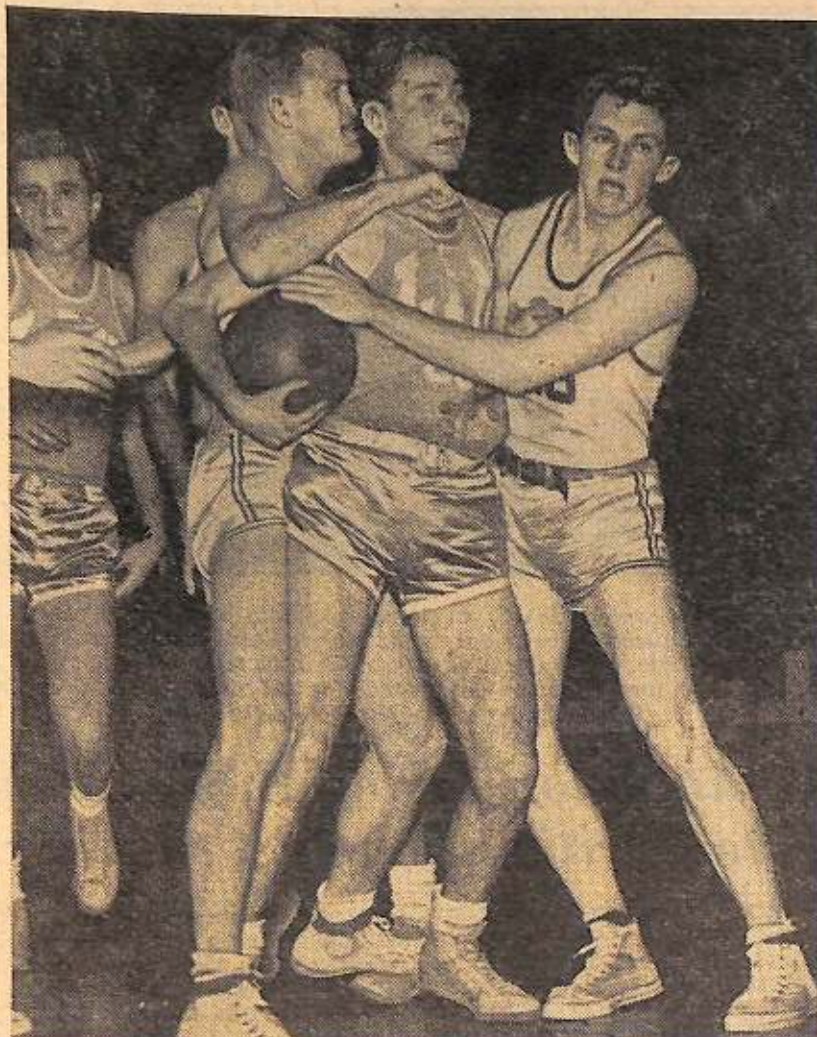
NEW YORK, Feb. 4—One year of running certainly has altered the significance of the name "Dodds." Last year at this time it was unknown to track fans. Now its owner is the nation's leading miler and second best two-miler. Last year Gilbert Dodds, Boston University divinity student, never rated an invitation to the Wanamaker Mile, Saturday night he's the favorite.

But Dodds' big time career really started at this same Millrose meet last year when he raced Greg Rice in the two-mile event. Gil amazed everybody by finishing within six yards of Greg in the astounding time of eight min. 53 and seven-tenths seconds. Thereafter Gil was never out of the headlines. After pressing Greg again a fortnight later, Gil got a chance to challenge Leslie Mac-Mitchell, mile champ, in the AAU championships. He won in the swiftest time of four min. eight and seven-tenths seconds. Les came back and beat Gil twice, but Gil evened the count in the AAU outdoor championships.

Now MacMitchell is an ensign, so the pre-season dope rates Gil tops among the active milers. Ensign Walter Mehl, who will race him Saturday, might cause trouble. Mehl, formerly of Wisconsin, holds the American record in the 1,500 meters at three min. 47 and nine-tenths seconds, equal to a four-five or four-six mile. But it is unlikely that Mehl has been able to get enough running practice to show top form.

Dodds hails from Fall City, Nebraska. He's a different runner than the Garden crowds are accustomed to. He generates plenty of speed from the starting gun, frequently hitting the half-mile in under two minutes. Coach Jack Ryder insists he'll do four minutes four seconds this winter.

## Fists Flew After This



Keystone Photo

Fists fly in the final minutes of the closely fought Creighton-Long Island University basketball game at Madison Square Garden. Creighton won 31 to 30. Action leading up to the fist flying is pictured here. Monroe Edelstein (30) of Long Island University (with the ball) is being given "mugger" treatment by Joe Loisel (38) and Don Radke (46) of Creighton.

## 'Derry Sailors To Hold Fights

LONDONDERRY, N.I., Feb. 4—Twelve bouts are being arranged for the Navy's fourth boxing smoker to be held here Wednesday night, Feb. 10.

The third smoker, staged two weeks ago, was a big success, attracting the largest crowd of Navy personnel to attend a boxing smoker in North Ireland.

One of the featured fighters on the coming program is expected to be Seaman 2nd Cl. Clements Russo, Philadelphia, who was impressive in scoring a technical knockout over Paddy Harkins, Londonderry star, in a previous bout. Russo weighed 175lb.

## Mostyn Club Wins In Table Tennis Match

The Red Cross inter-club table tennis tournament between the Hans Crescent and Mostyn GI teams was held at the Hans Crescent Club Wednesday night. The decision went to the Mostyn Club by a score of 4-1. In an exhibition game, Sgt. Kirk Bartlett, of Baltimore, defeated Howard Scoggins, also from Baltimore, director of the Hans Crescent Club.

On the winning team were: Pfc Hubert Belding, Greenville, Mich.; Sgt. Wayne Ogle, Idaville, Ind.; Sgt. Melvin Sarchet, Superior, Neb.; Pvt. Dick Roberts, Fern, Ind.; T/4 Charles M. Smith, Madison, Wis. The Hans Crescent team had: T/4 Herbert Sklarew, Newark, N.J.; Pvt. Scotty Matthews, Sussex, England; S/Sgt. Leslie Vantrun, Gordon, Neb.; C.T.C. Bill Iandorio, Staten Island, N.Y., and C.T.C. John E. Lamb, Houston, Texas.

## Lamb Sweeps Middle West Ice Skating Championships

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 4—Del Lamb, former Olympic champion, who is now a policeman here, won the 440, half-mile and mile events to win the men's senior title in the Middle West speed skating championships here. Peggy Barber, Chicago, won the girls' crown.

Don Fahrenbach, Chicago, skated the 220 in 18 and four-tenths seconds, breaking the world record by four-tenths seconds. Earl Mosiman, Minneapolis, set the old mark in '38. Fahrenbach won the intermediate boys' title.

## Basketball Results

- NYU 45, St. Francis 44.
- Western Kentucky State 69, CCNY 49.
- Columbia 49, Fort Monmouth 45.
- Villanova 47, Gettysburg 44.
- West Virginia 50, Army 35.
- Pennsylvania 48, Navy 47.
- Dartmouth 53, Harvard 41.
- Pittsburgh 65, Indiana (Pa.) Teachers 41.
- Dickinson 49, New Cumberland Reception Center 41.
- West Chester 47, Delaware 45.
- Lockhaven Teachers 57, Shippensburg Teachers 51.
- LaSalle 83, Arnold 48.
- Manhattan 65, Providence 47.
- William and Mary 40, Richmond 20.
- Marshall 66, Salem 54.
- West Liberty 54, Alderson Broaddus 47.
- Lynchburg 43, Randolph-Macon 41.
- Highpoint College 61, Langley Field 51.
- Norfolk Naval Training 57, Norfolk Naval Air 34.
- Great Lakes 34, Detroit 30.
- Toledo 59, Kent State 41.
- Olathe Naval Base 42, Kansas 32.
- John Carroll 47, Oberlin 45.
- Capital 50, Otterbein 40.
- Defiance 63, Hillsdale 51.
- Hope 51, Kalamazoo 33.
- Southern Illinois Teachers 52, Southeast Missouri Teachers 40.
- Bowling Green 52, Baldwin Wallace 42.
- Mount Union 68, Hiram 44.
- Baker 45, McPherson 41.
- Elmhurst 52, Concordia 37.
- Ohio Northern 72, Findlay 68.
- Doane 47, Peru 47.
- Depauw 44, Franklin 35.
- Moorhead Teachers 45, North Dakota State 34.
- Drury 37, Tarkio 34.
- Hamline 61, Augsburg 28.
- St. Thomas 44, St. Marys 37.
- MacAlester 39, St. Olaf 38.
- Southwestern Kansas 40, Wichita 28.
- Abilene Christian 59, Southwestern 39.
- Central Western Washington 41, Western Washington 39.
- Portland 35, Willamette 28.
- Fort Warren All-Stars 61, Denver Bombers 29.
- Arizona 84, Arizona State Teachers 27.
- Coast Guard 54, San Jose State 41.
- St. Marys Preflight 42, Coast Guard 37.
- St. Marys College 40, San Francisco 39.

## Hal Trosky May Try Comeback in Outfield

CLEVELAND, Feb. 4—Roger Peckinpaugh, vice president and general manager of the Cleveland Indians, told the press he is asking Hal Trosky, first baseman, to rejoin the Indians at their Spring training sessions which start next month at Purdue University. Trosky voluntarily retired late in the '41 season as the result of migraine headaches. Now he hopes to stage a comeback, perhaps in the outfield where he played in the minors.

## Dudley Ordered to Report

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 4—Bill Dudley, left halfback of the Pittsburgh Steelers and the leading ground gainer in the National Professional Football League last season, has been ordered to report for duty with the Army Air Force immediately. Dudley enlisted last October.

## Buttram Scores Knockout In GI Semi-Finals

### Four Other Kayoes and One TKO on Infantry Program

AN INFANTRY STATION, England, Feb. 4—Picking up where he left off in his Stars and Stripes fight, Pvt. Garner Buttram, of Baltimore, Md., knocked out Pvt. Jose Rubio, of Joliet, Texas, in the third round of their bout during the regimental semi-finals here. Buttram went to a draw with Pvt. Jack Fanazzo in his fight at the Rainbow Corner on Jan. 5.

There were four other kayoes on the program as well as one technical knockout. The fastest endings came in the 165-pound class with two kayoes scored in the first round. Pfc Aleck Kuzurky, of Providence, R.I., clipped Pvt. James Eaves, of Cedartown, Ga., sending him down for the count, and Cpl. James Goodwin, of Baltimore, gave little time to Cpl. Michael Majztrik, of Carteret, N.J., chilling him with not too much trouble.

The regimental finals will be held Tuesday evening. Here are the semi-final summaries:

- 120-pound class—Sgt. Chester Ruby, Baltimore, Md., outpointed Pfc Herbert Beyerly, Baltimore, Md.
- 126-pound class—Pfc David A. Dutch, Philadelphia, outpointed Pvt. John Freeman, Atlanta, Ga.
- 135-pound class—S/Sgt. Joseph P. Abbato, Baltimore, stopped Pvt. Ralph Petrine, Baltimore, second round.
- 145-pound class—Pfc Joseph Anzelone, Pittston, Pa., outpointed Pfc James Williams, Fedville, N.C.; Pvt. Tony Pavone, Lynn, Mass., stopped Pfc Edward Waby, St. Clair, Pa., second round.
- 155-pound class—Pvt. Garner Buttram, Baltimore, stopped Pvt. Jose Rubio, Joliet, Tex., third round.
- 165-pound class—Pfc Aleck Kuzurky, Providence, R.I., stopped Pvt. James Eaves, Cedartown, Ga., first round; Cpl. James Goodwin, Baltimore, stopped Cpl. Michael Majztrik, Carteret, N.J., first round.
- 175-pound class—S/Sgt. Bud Traesser, Baltimore, stopped Pfc Kenneth Winegard, Brockway, Pa., second round.
- Heavyweight class—Pvt. Michael Donohue, Philadelphia, outpointed Sgt. Mike Zakesski, Pittston, Pa.

## Amertext to Play Corsair Quintet

LONDONDERRY, N.I., Feb. 4—Yale defeated USC, 54-42, in the second basketball game of the new intramural league here and slipped into a first place tie with the LIU five which had won previously by a forfeit from Indiana.

As usual the Yale team spread out its scoring among seven players, but it was the combination of clever passwork and steady defensive play that won out.

Friday night the Corsairs invade Belfast to play a doubleheader. The main event will bring the sailors up against the crack Amertext quintet. This game marks the first time the Corsairs have sallied forth from their home court. Their starting lineup will be: T. H. Brothie, FC3C, Boston, and Mat Hahn, Y3C, Trenton, N.J., at forwards; Eugene Churchill, S1C, Aurora, Ill., center; P. Pagnotta, S2C, Springfield, Mass., and Don Johnson, M11C, Springfield, Ohio, guards.

## Bill Cowley Ousts Carr In Hockey Scoring Race

NEW YORK, Feb. 4—Registering five points last week, Bill Cowley, center of the Boston Bruins, seized the National Hockey League scoring lead with 51 points. Lorne Carr, Toronto wingman, dropped to runner-up, while Chicago's Bentley brothers, Max and Doug, both made big advances.

The Boston Bruins also have tied the Maple Leafs in the number of men in the top ten—each placing three.

Cowley's 51 points have been scored in 35 games on 14 goals and 37 assists. Carr, two points behind, has netted 24 goals and 25 assists in 33 games. Max Bentley has jumped from seventh place to third with 45 points. In 29 games, he has made 19 goals and 26 assists.

The rest of the top ten, giving goals, goals, assists and points in that order are: Bill Taylor, Leafs, 33; 13; 31; 44; Buzz Boll, Bruins, 37; 25; 18; 43; Lynn Patrick, Rangers, 34; 14; 28; 42; Syl Apps, Leafs, 29; 23; 17; 40; Art Jackson, Bruins, 37; 18; 21; 39; Syd Howe, Wings, 34; 17; 22; 39; Toe Blake, Canadiens, 34; 16; 23; 39.

## Business as Usual

RICHMOND, Va., Feb. 4—Ben Wahrman, Richmond News-Leader sports editor, is slated to join the Marines as a combat correspondent. Business as usual, eh?

## NEWS FROM HOME

# 11 Launchings in Two Days Raise January Total to 110

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4—The U.S. Maritime Commission announced today the launching of 11 merchantmen on Jan. 30 and 31, bringing the official total of January launchings to 110 ships.

These include eight Liberty ships, six long-range tankers, 12 long-range cargo vessels, and six special U.S. Navy ships.

A new U.S. destroyer, the Kimberly, was launched today at an Atlantic coast port.

## War Spurs Scientific Advances

NEW YORK, Feb. 4—E. I. duPont, chairman of E. I. duPont de Nemours and Co., broadcasting to American fighting forces overseas, declared yesterday: "Spurred to extraordinary efforts by extraordinary needs of the last two years we (American industries) have gone ahead 30 or 50 years as measured by the old rate of development in many fields."

DuPont predicted great chemical plants will turn out new plastics, paints, textile fibers, fertilizers and other materials in quantities undreamed of before the war.

Wood that won't burn, unbreakable glass, window screens without wire and machine bearings containing no metal are a few things in the offing, duPont predicted.

Manufacture of synthetic rubber, he said, will almost equal the amount grown naturally by the whole world before the war.

## Gangster's Betrayer Slain

CHICAGO, Feb. 4 (UP)—Estelle Carey, 30-year-old model, former sweetheart and eventual betrayer of Nick Dean, Chicago racketeer, was found beaten, slashed and burned to death in her apartment here yesterday.

Police said the evidence indicated Estelle was tortured to force her to reveal the whereabouts of Dean's millions. Dean, a former lieutenant of Al Capone, is serving a term for extortion as a result of evidence given by Estelle.

## 'Don't Repeat 1918 Mistakes'

COLLEGE PARK, Md., Feb. 4 (AP)—Summer Welles, Undersecretary of State, addressing a graduating class at the University of Maryland, said today the failure of the United States to accept its responsibilities a generation ago had helped the rise of aggressors, and the new genera-



# Sea Forces Spar For Positions in Solomon Battle

## Land-Based Jap Planes See Action, No Enemy Carriers Used Yet

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4 (UP)—The air and sea engagements in the Solomons area, where two great concentrations of naval and air power appear to be jockeying for position, are still continuing. No details of the engagements have yet been released in Washington.

However, it is known that land-based Japanese planes have seen action in the reported battle, and a Navy Department official has stated that no Jap aircraft carriers have yet been used.

"The action," he added, "could not be described as a pitched battle. It is like open football, all spread out and the whole thing amounts to sparring for positions."

### 'Huge U.S. Fleet,' Japs Claim

Jap broadcasts picked up in Chungking yesterday stated that 10 U.S. battleships, 10 carriers and 20 cruisers were taking part in the naval engagements off the Solomons.

Wednesday Col. Frank Knox pointed out that the main battle had not yet developed, and that "feeler skirmishes" was the best description of the engagements so far.

Control of the entire Solomons area, it was stressed, was what the Japanese were aiming at.

Allied bombers have carried out widespread attacks on Jap air and naval bases from the Aru Islands to Buin in the northern Solomons.

### Rabaul Raided Again

Flying through difficult weather, Allied heavy bombers have raided Rabaul, in New Britain, for the fifth consecutive night.

The airports at Lakunai and Rapopo were bombed, although heavy clouds prevented observation of the damage caused. Later, 15 enemy fighters attacked an Allied heavy reconnaissance unit in the area.

Two enemy fighters were shot down without loss to ourselves.

Enemy warships have been bombed off the south coast of New Britain, although again it was impossible to see the results of the attack.

At Wau, New Guinea, Allied ground patrols have killed 88 Japs. Long-range fighters cooperated with the ground units and strafed the enemy area.

A dense fire has been started in the area of the airdrome at Gasmata by heavy Allied aircraft. All bombs fell in the target area.

### Night Bombing of U.S. Vessels

WITH THE U.S. FLEET IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC, Feb. 2 (delayed) (AP) The first night bombing by Jap planes of U.S. surface vessels covering operations at Guadalcanal has been reported. However, the results of the attack was not disclosed.

The Jap airmen, dropping mysteriously from the night sky, struck after dusk on Jan. 29 while a unit of the southwest Pacific fleet was cruising near Guadalcanal.

The assault may indicate a resumption of Jap air activity which has been strangely absent in the Solomons area during recent weeks.

### New Attacks on Japanese

British troops, carrying out another "Buna campaign" in Burma, are maintaining their pressure against the Jap forces in the Rathedaung and Donabik areas of northern Burma.

RAF Blenheims, supporting the land forces, are bombing Rathedaung, where a Jap division is apparently based. Further attacks have been made by Wellingtons at Akyab and the neighboring villages without suffering any losses.

### 'Lucky' Pilot Lands Plane In Middle of Minefield

CAIRO, Feb. 4 (AP)—Lt. William B. Campbell, Blisfield, Mich., has been dubbed "Lucky Campbell" by mates of his fighter squadron operating against Rommel's forces.

"Lucky," on a mission recently over enemy lines, got in a dogfight and his plane was disabled, so he landed on a strange field behind his own lines.

He started to climb from his plane, when men at the edge of the field shouted, "You're sitting in the middle of a minefield."

Campbell sat on a wing of the plane until sappers cleared a strip from which he could take off after the damage was repaired, but two jeeps which tried to reach the plane had their wheels blown off by mines.

### H. H. Whitney Director At Washington Club

H. H. Whitney, of Jackson, N.H., is new director of the American Red Cross Washington club.

Hugo Vindal, his predecessor, has been assigned to a supervisory job with the Red Cross. Pembroke Thomas, of Richmond, Va., will assist Whitney as program director of the Washington Club.

# Leathernecks Get Bars at Foreign School



Col. W. T. Clement, USMC, administers the oath of office to newly-commissioned second lieutenants in the Marine Corps, Paul Cramer, of Columbus, Ohio, and Walter Pickerell, of Chariton (Lucas County, near Des Moines), Iowa. The new officers were the first to train at the British Royal Marine Military school as cadets.

# Commission Two U.S. Marines After British School Training

ROYAL MARINE MILITARY SCHOOL, England, Feb. 4—For the first time in the 167-year history of the United States Marine Corps, enlisted men of the USMC were commissioned officers as the result of training in a foreign military school today, when two Marines graduated with cadets of the Royal Marine Military School here.

The newly commissioned second lieutenants in the USMC are Paul Emerson Kramer, of Columbus, Ohio, and Walter D. Pickerell, of Chariton, Iowa.

Lts. Kramer and Pickerell, both cor-

porals when they undertook training with the Royal Marines last Summer, later were promoted to "honorary sergeants." In October they entered the Royal Marine Military School as cadets for officers' training.

Col. W. T. Clement, USMC, winner of the Navy Cross at Bataan and only Marine to escape from Corregidor, addressed the graduating class. He was also the first U.S. Marine officer to take the Royal Marines' salute at graduation ceremonies at this school.

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England, as being the most interesting development in the Middle East air war. The Germans, he said, once had used Ju88s from Holland for intruder purposes, but not in the same manner or with the same success.

In the last few days, the Admiralty announced yesterday, British submarines have sunk nine enemy supply ships and one anti-submarine vessel in the central Mediterranean. In addition, four small vessels have been destroyed by air attacks off the coast of Tunisia. Another tanker suffered a direct hit from a torpedo aircraft on the south coast of Italy, and Allied bombers attacking Palermo and southeast Sicily hit a motor vessel in Messina harbor.

Ground fighting in Tunisia was limited to a small local engagement in the Djebel Mansour area, in which Allied troops met with "limited success," the Allied Force Headquarters said.

In air warfare, Allied bombers attacked Gabes airdrome and targets near Maknassy. Six enemy aircraft were destroyed, against eight Allied, the communique said.

In Tripolitania the Eighth Army was drawing near to Pisisa, 12 miles from the Tunisian frontier, but few reports of their progress were available in Cairo.

### Knights of Columbus Chief Touring Northern Ireland

LONDONDERRY, Feb. 4—Frank Matthews, supreme knight of the Knights of Columbus, visited Londonderry, yesterday as a guest of the Catholic Bishop, Most Reverend Father Farren.

Brig. Gen. E. W. Hill, commanding general U.S. Forces in Northern Ireland, and David Gray, U.S. Minister to Eire, accompanied Matthews.

Matthews said he will report to President Roosevelt on his return.

### Maj. Wyler Escapes Injury

A U.S. AIR TRAINING STATION, England, Feb. 4—Maj. William Wyler, who directed the film "Mrs. Miniver," and now is in the Eighth Air Force film section, narrowly escaped injury when an aerial cannon with which he was training for a gunner's certificate exploded near his face.

### Blondie

(By courtesy of King Features Syndicate and the London Daily Sketch)



### Private Receives 50 Letters in One Day

NORTH IRELAND, Feb. 4—Fifty letters in one day is the basis for the claim of Pvt. Herbert Deal Jr., of Philadelphia, Pa., to being the champion "letter-getter" in North Ireland, if not the entire British Isles. Deal, who is with a transportation section, found the letters waiting for him when he reported to dinner the other day.

They were from his wife, Barbara; his mother, Mrs. Herbert Deal Sr., and his sister, Alice, all living in Philadelphia.

"I write home every day to fulfil a promise I made—when I left the States," he says.

Deal, 32, has been married nine years.

### Orphans' Fund Passes £12,500

### Quarter of £50,000 Goal Reached; 98 Children Helped To Date

The Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund, founded four months ago, has achieved 25 per cent of its £50,000 goal: Figures, including those of January, show £12,468 in the fund. During the first two days of February, £170 was received, bringing the total up to £12,638.

With this money 98 children have been directly sponsored by U.S. military units and individuals, while nine others were aided by "general fund" contributions, making a total of £9,800 thus far allotted to help the children. The balance is made up of as yet unexpended money in the general fund and £2,172 in partial contributions received from units who have promised to sponsor an orphan when they have collected the necessary £100.

The February contributions included a check for £100 from HQ Special Troops, HQ Services of Supply, and another for £70 from the —st QM Car Company, Capt. Harry D. Fritts, of Orange, N.J., said the latter unit expected to go over the required £100 mark in a few days.

Accompanying the check from HQ, SOS, was a request to help a boy, and a letter from Capt. Kenneth C. Wade.

"The attached check," he said, "represents a contribution to the noblest idea conceived in time of war. From its rawest recruit to its camp commander, this organization takes pride in adding itself to the roster of those who have helped the war orphans. We hope that this list will grow until every unit or detachment in, or passing through, the United Kingdom can point with pride to its participation in this effort."

### U.S. Pilots Dead in Crash

Death of two U.S. Army Air Force fliers, 2nd Lt. Samuel A. Ray, of Oklahoma City, Okla., and Alfred A. Estosite, of Austin, Tex., when their pursuit planes collided in mid air over Leicestershire, England, Monday, was announced today by Eighth Air Force headquarters.

# Bebe Daniels Heads Variety Troupe to Entertain Forces

## Stars Include Ann Dvorak, Freddie Morgan and Loew Brothers

A variety show, headlined by Bebe Daniels of the American Overseas Artists group, has gone into rehearsal and soon will go on the road, under direction of the Special Service Theatrical and Cinema Division, it was announced yesterday.

Ann Dvorak, Freddie Morgan and Len and Bill Loew, of the RAF, will appear in the show, which has scheduled appearances before both American and British troops in camps of Northern Ireland, Major Theodore R. Phalen said.

Miss Daniels is one of the band of American stage and screen stars who remained in England through the blitz, doing their bit for morale, and who have been organized since early last year into the American Overseas Artists to aid in providing entertainment for the American troops. Organizers of the artists group, in addition to Miss Daniels, were Teddy



Bebe Daniels

Brown, Ben Lyon, now a major in the U.S. Air Force, and Vic Oliver.

### by Chic Young

# Cafeteria Meals System in ETO Help Save Food

## Services of Supply Opens Drive to Conserve Rations

SOS HEADQUARTERS, England, Feb. 4—With the installation of a cafeteria plan in Army mess halls, Services of Supply has launched a concerted drive to save food.

Successful results already are apparent, according to an official announcement.

The food conservation drive has two points: Education of men and officers on the importance of eliminating food waste, and reclamation of kitchen left-overs either as food, or for use in vital war industries.

Under the new mess hall system, only four-tenths of an ounce of food per person is wasted each day. It was discovered that U.S. soldiers, generally, when serving themselves cafeteria style take what they want and waste little.

### Improvement Claimed

This is regarded an improvement on the old "dish-out, don't eat it if you don't want it" method, it was said. An officer occasionally stands at the garbage pail and checks the dishes.

Mess officers are devising every possible means of using leftovers. Scraps of unused meat are minced together, molded, dipped in flour and water and deep fried as a meat and vegetable combination. Fat is strained for frying. Bits of bread left over from cooking go into puddings and are used as crumbs in preparation of dishes like corn creole and a kind of meat loaf known as "savory mince."

"Wars can be won or lost in soldier kitchens" is the slogan of the drive, which is being conducted under direction of Maj. Gen. John C. H. Lee, Commanding General, Services of Supply.

# DSC Awarded Bomber Pilot

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in the flight to the objective. With complete disregard of his own safety, and with a regard only for the mission entrusted to him, Maj. Key skillfully maintained his almost uncontrollable aircraft in formation, completed his mission, and returned safely to his home base. His action undoubtedly resulted in saving the lives of his crew and instilled in the men of his command an inspiration that will prove invaluable in future combat missions.

Maj. Key's own story wasn't quite so detailed.

"It wasn't so much," Maj. Key said, "we were on the way to bomb Romilly-sur-Seine on Dec. 20. At the coast of France, we were jumped by some FWs. There was a fight and we got shot up some and it made the plane pretty mean to handle. Then we went in, bombed the target and came out."

The ground crew reported that the plane had its trim tabs shot away, many of the control cables severed and large portions of the wing and tail surfaces destroyed.

In 1935, flying with his brother, Fred, now a captain in the USAAF, Maj. Key set a world's endurance record in a Stinson monoplane named "Ole Miss."

Maj. Key and his brother went on active duty with the Army Air Forces immediately after Pearl Harbor, and flew two Flying Fortresses, the "Ole Miss II" and the "Ole Miss III," across the Atlantic, Africa, the Indian Ocean, they bombed the Japanese from bases in Java.

After taking part in the defense of the Dutch East Indies, Key and his brother flew Army Air Forces personnel and civilian refugees to the Australian mainland ahead of the invading Japs.

Award of Purple Hearts to seven USAAF airmen for wounds received in action also was announced by Headquarters, Eighth Air Force. The airmen:

1st Lt. LeRoy Perlowin, Philadelphia; 2nd Lt. Norman R. Pilote, Whitman, Mass.; 2nd Lt. Charles L. Herman, Houston, Tex.; 2nd Lt. Louis B. Sinopoli, Denver; S/Sgt. George W. Guilford, Newton, Ala.; Sgt. Joseph S. Klasnick, Pittsburgh, and Sgt. Elmer W. Dawley, East Orange, N.J.

### North Ireland Chaplain Talks to Queen's Cadets

BELFAST, Feb. 4—Maj. William T. Brundick, Woodstock, Va., senior chaplain of U.S. Forces in Northern Ireland, addressed 70 Queen's University Air Force Cadets in a special service at Elmwood Church here.

The chaplain, speaking on the subject "Shall We Outgrow Religion?" told the prospective RAF officers: "This war is a transition period and out of the ruins and ashes of destroyed cities and wrecked human lives will come a clearer vision of the necessity for a closer walk with God."

### Birthday Ball Raises Funds

BELFAST, Feb. 4—A donation for President Roosevelt's Warm Springs Foundation for Infantile Paralysis is being forwarded to Washington by the Red Cross club here from funds raised at a President's Birthday ball. Director Stewart Patterson, of Stamford, Conn., has cabled the President that the money is on the way.