French Coast Gets Non-Stop Pounding by Heavies

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Yanks Battle Way Into Rome

Boulogne Is Hit 4 Times In Two Days

Libs, Forts, Other Craft Lash West Wall in Big Pre-Invasion Blitz

The French Channel port of Boulogne was pounded by American heavy bombers for the fourth time in two days yesterday as Allied aircraft swarmed over the French coast and the West Wall in never-ending streams to round out the heaviest weekend of the pre-invasion air bombardment.

Hit twice Saturday by the B17s and B24s, Boulogne, only about 30 miles from the English coast, was raided in the morning and again later in the day as the heavies carried out their third double mission in three days.

At the same time, the invasion-tense French coast, which was hit again and again in a series of crushing weekend blows, felt the weight of American bombs along a 200-mile stretch.

More than 250 Marauders and Havocs pelted military objectives along the Channel-washed beaches of France and smashed at a vehicular bridge at Courcelles-sur-Seine, 40 miles north of Paris. All of the bombers, which were escorted by Ninth Air Force P51s and P47s, returned.

Joining in the mounting assault on the German front-line defenses, planes of the Second Tactical Air Force and the Air Defense of Great Britain swept over the strip of France closest to Britain, dropping their explosives on enemy radio installations.

Preceding yesterday's attacks was a RAF night raid on the same area and an assault on Ludwigshafen, in Germany. No aircraft were lost.

Almost simultaneously with the thrusts from Britain, strong forces of Italian-based U.S. heavy bombers battered rail targets on booth sides of the Franco-Italian frontier.

German radio said that Nantes and Rouen were bombed.

In other attacks on German communication lines, Ninth Air Force fighter-bombers raided bridges, railroad tracks and military rolling stock in the Oise River valley.

The weekend blitz of the French coast started Friday night as aircraft of Bomber Command swept over the Channel to paste military installations there while other RAF planes flew inland to hit the rail center of Trappes, on the outskirts of Paris, and Leverkusen, north of Cologne, in Germany. Seventeen aircraft were lost.

The USAAF threw up every type of plane it had Saturday to pound the

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The War Today

Italy—American troops enter city limits of Rome after heavy fighting and meet sporadic resistance; world waits to see if city will be battleground; Allies, hoping to spare it, ready to take necessary military measures if Germans defend it; Germans claim troops withdrawn; rest of Fifth Army advances across plain from Alban Hills; Fifth and Eighth Armies join on Highway 6 below Valmontone and pursue Germans retreating northeastward.

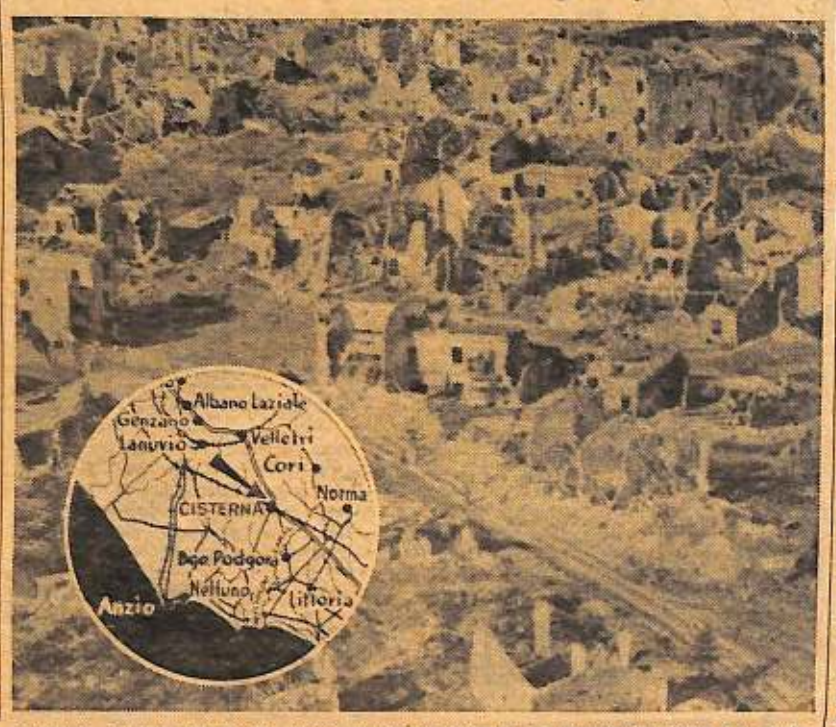
Air War—American heavy bombers pound the French Channel port of Boulogne for the fourth time in two days as Forts and Liberators make their third double mission in three days. Marauders and Havocs range over 200-mile stretch of France's northern coast as RAF planes also sweep area.

Pacific—U.S. troops land on Owi and Woendi islands, southwest of Biak Island; battling on Biak for Mokmer airfield reported bitterest in Pacific campaign; Truk again battered by U.S. heavies.

Asia—U.S. and Chinese bombers raid key Jap strongpoint in southeastern Hunan province; Southeast Asia headquarters sees great potential results at Myitkyina.

Russia—Red Army troops hold positions north and northwest of Jassy despite continuing German attacks with tank and infantry; Moscow reports enemy suffering heavy losses.

Cisterna—What's Left of It



Cisterna, a town above the Anzio beachhead in Italy, for months has been a name in a communique, a word on a map. To the Italians who once called it home, however, it is much more—or less, now—than that, as the photo of bomb and shell damage shows. The Allies liberated Cisterna in the smash out of the beachhead.

False Report of Invasion Turns U.S. Into Bedlam

NEW YORK, June 4—A false announcement of Allied landings in France turned the 48 states upside down yesterday and created a hoax rivaling Orson Welles' Martian invasion.

Millions of radio listeners throughout the nation heard and believed the flash: "Eisenhower's headquarters announced Allied landings in France."

Although it was corrected almost immediately the bulletin, accidentally transmitted to America from the London Bureau of The Associated Press by a British girl practicing on a teleprinter, gave the U.S. two minutes to cheer, pray and otherwise mark the long-awaited opening of the Second Front.

Radios Interrupt Programs

Hundreds of servicemen turned back to their posts as radio stations excitedly interrupted their programs to announce the invasion of the Continent.

Typical of the news' impact on the country was the reaction of 10,000 baseball fans at the Polo Grounds. Hearing the flash on the stadium's public address system, they cheered wildly, then stood in silent prayer while the game was halted for one minute. Many spectators enthusiastically rushed home without waiting for the rest of the game.

In every city, newspapers, police stations and government officials were deluged with inquiries on the progress of the landings.

Sirens screamed in Buenos Aires when the news was relayed to South America.

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2 New Landings In New Guinea

American troops have landed on two islands to the southwest of Biak Island, where one of the bitterest battles of the Pacific campaign is in progress, Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters announced yesterday.

The new invasions took places at Owi and Woendi in Geelvink Bay, in a section which Japanese spokesmen have described as "the inner line of Japan's defenses." The islands are less than 850 miles from the Philippines and flank the Japs' sea route to New Guinea.

On Biak, the struggle for Mokmer airfield remained in the balance late yesterday. The Americans repulsed an enemy counter-attack and more than 100 Japs were said to have committed suicide—a good sign the end of the enemy's resistance may be near, United Press said.

City's Fate Uncertain; Nazis May Pull Out Or Fight for Capital

U.S. Tanks, Infantry Advance; Resistance May Be Rearguard Action; Fifth And Eighth Armies Link Up

American troops entered the city limits of Rome yesterday while the whole civilized world waited to see whether the Germans would seriously defend it and so make a battleground of the venerated capital.

The U.S. tanks and infantry met with heavy resistance when they reached the outskirts of the capital yesterday morning, and when they penetrated into the city limits scattered resistance continued. Whether this portended an all-out effort by the Germans to hold on to the city or merely a rearguard action to allow the main forces to escape over the broad roads that lead through the city was not definite last night.

The position of the Allied military authorities, as set forth in an official statement, was that they would "continue to take every precaution in their power consistent with essential military requirements to safeguard the population of Rome and historical and religious monuments," but that "if the Germans choose to defend Rome the Allies will be obliged to take appropriate military measures to eject them."

To this end, a message from Gen. Sir Harold Alexander and Marshal Pietro Badoglio was broadcast to the citizens urging them to remove any German mines and barricades from the streets and explaining that "it is vital for the Allies that troops can go through Rome plete the destruction in order to com- armies retreating northward" and that "this is not the time for demonstrations."

Nevertheless, the American forces which entered the outskirts while the Sunday morning church bells rang in the distance were pelted with flowers by welcoming Italians, the United Press reported.

Sharp Fighting Occurs

They also were met by German artillery and tanks and sharp fighting ensued. The Yanks drove into the suburbs along Highway 6 from Valmontone, which enters the capital on its eastern side.

At the same time other Fifth Army units advanced toward the city down the ten-mile slope from the Alban Hills after breaking through the last of the Germans' main fixed defense belts.

The German communique admitted that the Allies "succeeded in pressing back our switch-line into an area six miles east of Rome" and that on the other side of the city their troops from the Alban Hills had withdrawn to the Tiber River, which flows westward from Rome to the sea. This "withdrawal was carried out according to plan and the German movements were not disturbed by Allied vanguards," the High Command said, meaning that the Germans retreated faster than the Fifth Army could chase them.

As for the situation at Rome itself, Allied Headquarters announced officially

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Text of Rome Statement by Allied Chiefs

A pledge to take all possible precautions consistent with military requirements to safeguard the population of Rome and historical and religious monuments has been issued by the Allied command in Italy. As heard by Algiers radio, quoted by United Press, the statement's text follows:

"The Allied military authorities, confronted by ruthless enemies in Italy, are interested solely in the destruction and elimination of the German forces in that country.

"They have taken and will continue to take every possible precaution during the course of their campaign to spare innocent civilians and cultural and religious monuments of permanent value to civilization.

"In particular they are deeply conscious of the unique position occupied by Rome as one of the chief historical, religious and cultural centers of the world and of the fact that Rome is the seat of His Holiness the Pope and contains the neutral state of the Vatican City.

"It is therefore the firm intention of the Allied governments and of the Allied military authorities to continue to take every precaution in their power consistent with essential military requirements to safeguard the population of Rome and historical and religious monuments.

"The Allies have undertaken and will undertake military action against Rome in so far as the Germans use the city, its railways and its roads for their military purposes.

"If the Germans choose to defend Rome, the Allies will be obliged to take appropriate military measures to eject them. It is the sincere hope of His Majesty's Government and the United States Government that the enemy will not make this ill-considered choice."

All Hitlerland Now in Range

Shuttle-Forts Refuel at Soviet Bases

U.S. Flying Fortresses were refueled and loaded with bombs at American air bases in Russia yesterday for return missions to their Mediterranean bases to complete the first U.S. shuttle-bombing operation using bases in Russia.

Disclosure of the establishment of American air bases on Russian territory recaptured by the Red Army indicated that no part of Hitlerdom is now out of range for fighter-escorted heavy bombers.

The new bases will add immeasurably to the range of the Forts and Liberators. Instead of the bombers being limited to operations at 50 per cent of their total range—flying out to 50 per cent of their range, bombing there, and then flying back to British or Mediterranean bases—the planes now can fly out and bomb targes at 75 per cent or more of their total range from Britain or Italy, and continue on to the bases in Russia.

Work on the new bases was started in February as a result of the Moscow conference last October. The Russians gave high priority to the American supplies arriving for the bases and on occasion Russian privates worked under American corporals to speed them to completion.

Their existence was one of the best-kept secrets of the war until it was officially announced that Fortresses from the Mediterranean landed there for the first time Friday after bombing objectives in Rumania.

A communique issued by Eastern Command, U.S. Strategic Air Forces, revealed not only that the USAAF has set up its own command in Russia to handle future shuttle missions but that the bombers went to Rumania to attack "targets selected by our Russian ally."

Eastern Germany Vulnerable

"The operations mark the first large-scale physical collaboration of the air forces of Britain, Russia and the U.S.," commented Maj. Gen. John R. Deane, head of the U.S. military mission in Russia. "History was made. This is shuttle-bombing—bombing that makes vulnerable all of Germany's eastern industrial facilities."

The RAF had pioneered shuttle-bombing. On the night of June 20-21 last year Lancasters took off from Britain, bombed Friedrichshafen in southern Germany and flew across the Mediterranean to Allied bases in North Africa.

Last fall U.S. bombers from Britain attacked Regensburg, in Germany, and went on to land in North Africa.

Maj. Gen. Fred L. Anderson, deputy commander of USSTAF, and Brig. Gen.

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Shuttle Raid Panicking Reich, Stockholm Says

STOCKHOLM, June 4 (UP)—The arrival of Allied shuttle bombers in Russia caused a panic in many parts of East Germany and Southeast Europe, according to the Stockholm newspaper Aftontidningen. The people of Koenigsberg, Breslau and Budapest were fleeing in all directions.

Nazi efforts to calm the people by assuring them that the German High Command was preparing to counter the shuttle-bombing have proved futile. People bombed out in west Germany who fled to east Germany are terrifying the populace with accounts of their experiences.

Japs Say B29s in China, Warn Raids Imminent

NEW YORK, June 4 (UP)—Tokyo radio, heard here, warned the Japanese people over the weekend that American B29 Super-Fortresses "with a reported range of up to 5,000 miles carrying four or five tons of bombs," recently arrived in China.

"Hence we cannot say that the enemy will not select Manchukuo as a target, and raids on the Japanese homeland are likely at night or shortly before dawn," the broadcast said. "Air defense uniforms and equipment should be kept at your bedside when you are sleeping."

To Shift Labor FarFromHome If Need Arises

Manpower Board Adopts Rigid Rules to Control War Workers

WASHINGTON, June 4—Men seeking employment after July 1 will be required to apply to the U.S. Employment Service for assignment and accept work in plants where they are most needed—regardless of the factory's location—the War Manpower Board announced yesterday.

Terms of a new control measure governing labor also will force employers to hire only those men referred to them by the government agency. Farm workers and firms with less than eight employes are exempt from the regulation.

WMB chief Paul V. McNutt declared: "The successful conduct of the war now requires the channeling of all available male labor in the nation to jobs of the greatest war production urgency and retention of such labor in those jobs."

The program will make it possible for a worker, anywhere in the country, "to take his most useful place on the industrial firing line," McNutt said.

Under the plan, a worker may be referred to other than an essential job.

U.S. Bombs Hit China Junction

Six Zeros and Transports Downed Over Chengchow; None of Ours Lost

A raid by U.S. and Chinese bombers on Chengchow, key rail junction in southeastern Hunan Province held by the Japanese, was reported from Chungking yesterday.

The Allied planes, escorted by fighters, met a Japanese formation and shot down six Zeros and transport planes and damaged several others without losing a plane of their own.

The Japanese have launched a big drive in that area aimed at winning control of the north-south railroad between Hankow and Canton.

There were no fresh details on the fighting for Myitkyina in northern Burma yesterday, due apparently to monsoon [illegible] quarters.

The weekly war review from Southeast Asia headquarters at Kandy said that the Myitkyina campaign has "probably the greatest potential results of any action" now under way in Burma and added:

"To the Japanese, Burma shows signs which must appear ominous of becoming a dangerous running sore, draining away men and supplies whose reinforcement and replacement will grow more costly and difficult as the Allied pressure increases."

Luncheon for Johnston

MOSCOW, June 4 (AP)—A formal luncheon in honor of Eric Johnston, president of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, was given yesterday by M. Mikoyan, commissar for foreign trade. U.S. Ambassador Averill Harriman attended.

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that heavy fighting raged in the outskirts and continued all day. The Germans declared that all their troops had been "withdrawn from the capital." Whether this statement jibed with the Allied announcement apparently depended upon whether the Germans planned to fight in the suburbs only, without falling back farther in to the city.

In any case, the wording of the German announcement appeared to lessen the validity of their earlier claims that they were not using the city for military purposes. These claims, questioned by President Roosevelt and other Allied leaders at the time, were made after appeals from neutral sources that Rome be spared.

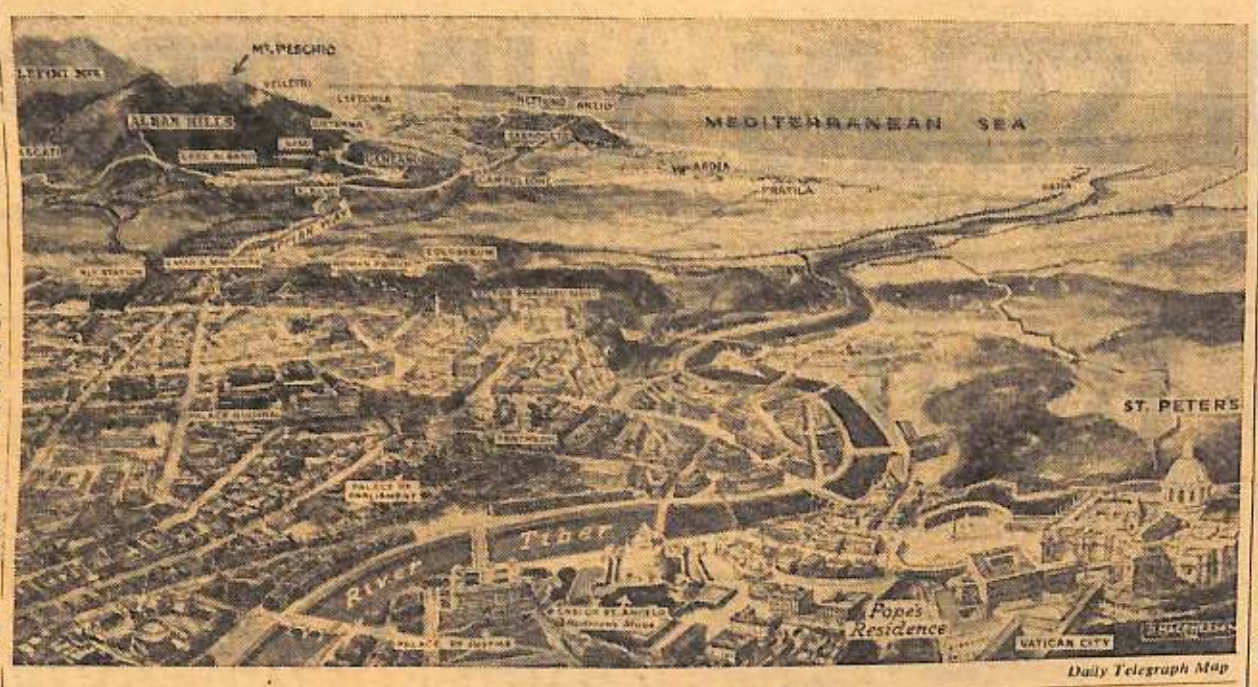
Of possibly greater significance from a military standpoint than the advance to Rome was the juncture of the Fifth and Eighth Armies on Highway 6 below Valmontone and the official announcement from Naples that "all German resistance has ceased" between Highway 6 and the coast in that sector.

The junction was made when a British unit from the Eighth Army met a U.S. warrant officer driving down in a jeep between Valmontone and Ferentino. There were hearty handshakes across a demolition in the road. Infantry passed beyond the obstruction while engineers hurried repairs for the scout cars and tanks.

The Germans from this area were attempting to withdraw to the northeast, with Allied forces pounding after them in pursuit. The Allies encircled and captured Alatri, north of Frosinone, blocking the road to Guarcino, and captured other towns north of the highway.

Planes were active in support of the drive all over the battle area. RAF heavy and medium bombers blasted an important road bridge over the Tiber. More than 100 Nazi vehicles were destroyed and 127 damaged.

Here Is Ancient Rome; Will It Be a Battlefield?



Daily Telegraph Map

A Saga of the Past for Your Future

If and When You Leave U.K., Here's What You'll Remember

By James F. McGlincy
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Comes the invasion, thousands of Americans eventually will move out of the U.K., but the saga of spam and sprouts that is the story of one of the world's wackiest war theaters will live long in GI Joe's memory.

The ETO has been the birthplace of two great invasions and the most powerful aerial assault in history. But when Joe's grandkids ask, "What did you do in the great war, grandpop?" more than likely he'll answer, with a twinkle, "I fought in the Battle of Piccadilly, child."

And he'll go on and tell how they gave the boys ribbons. Officially, they were ETO ribbons, but GIs dubbed them "spam ribbons" because ETO and luncheon meat were synonymous to them.

A lot of other things were synonymous with this ETO—blackouts, and English kids who begged, "Any gum, chum?" The bible of the ETO was Yank Magazine and the daily prayer-book was The Stars and Stripes. The theater heroes were Sgt. Harry Brown's Artie Greenslyn pic who was always Berlin about something, and GI Joe, Lt. Dave Breger's wistful cartoon character.

Speaking of characters, that was a terms the boys used over here. "Character," "joker" and "sweating it out" were part of the language. Besides picking up lots of English expressions, the boys coined their own about flak heavy enough to walk on and a pound being worth a dollar.

The ETO was strictly a big-time operating outfit which—between invasions—ran baseball games, basketball tournaments and football games which drew thousands of people. They managed plays even, like "The Eve of St. Mark," and concerts like Yehudi Menuhin's appearance at Albert Hall.

The ETO was famous for "Willow Run"—the fabulous cafeteria in the basement of swank Grosvenor House, the world's biggest officers' mess. The ETO was Hollywood at the front—Adolphe Menjou, Bob Hope, Carole Landis and countless others, doing their stuff at air bases and supply bases and infantry bases.

In the ETO, kids from Kansas City, Corona and Kokomo gawked at cathedrals that wore the weight of centuries and drank warmish English beer. Sometimes they hit it off with their English cousins, and sometimes they didn't. It was about a toss-up.

U.S. Goes Wild At False News

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Then urgent messages to withhold publication of the flash and finally to kill it came in rapid succession from London.

Steady, reliable AP explained:

A 22-year-old teleprinter operator who had been practicing the form of a mess- [illegible] when the invasion starts thought she had destroyed all the tape containing the punched-out message.

Before sending the first portion of a Russian communique, however, she inadvertently ran through the transmitter part of the tape she believed she had thrown away.

The message went through the censors and hit the cable without the knowledge of the editorial staff, which had no such copy on hand.

Within two minutes, however, it was caught by a traffic supervisor, who tried in vain to halt the cable to New York. Traffic arrangements were geared to such a speed that it was too late.

The error occurred during one of the busiest periods of the evening, which probably accounted for the fact that the operator failed to notice her mistake immediately.

Reds Stand Off Nazis at Jassy

Moscow Denies Nazis Win Dominating Hill; Enemy Claims Gain in North

In spite of repeated attacks by large forces of German tanks and infantry, Russian troops held firmly to positions north and northwest of Jassy over the weekend and even managed several strong counter-attacks, supported by Stormovik planes and tanks.

Moscow reports, denying German claims that heights had been won from which Nazi artillery observers could observe all the enemy's movements, said the Germans had been stood off in spite of reinforcement by tanks. Many of the tanks have been knocked out, the Russians said, and the enemy has suffered heavy casualties.

The Germans meanwhile claimed to have captured Russian strongpoints in the wooded country northwest of Vitebsk, leading to the Baltic, and to have held them against 11 Russian counter-attacks.

Shoe Rationing To Stay in U.S.

NEW YORK, June 4—Any hopes of lifting shoe rationing were banished yesterday with a joint announcement by the War Production Board, the OPA, and the Office of Civilian Requirements that rationing will continue until there is a marked improvement in the shoe supply.

Figures produced by government agencies show the nation's shoe stockpile went down by more than 53,000,000 pairs during 1943, and that this year the supply will be reduced by an additional 25,000,000 pairs. OPA said this would bring the total supply of civilian shoes in the nation's stores to the lowest point in years.

27,273 Aircraft Built by British Plants in 1943

Major Repairs Effected On 18,000 More, Report On Industry Reveals

British war factories, many of them rebuilt after being smashed by German bombing in the blitz, last year turned out 27,273 aircraft and carried out major repairs on 18,000 others, according to hitherto secret production figures given yesterday by Sir Stafford Cripps, minister of Aircraft Production.

Britain produced 8,000 planes in 1939 and 15,000 in 1940. Total British production since the outbreak of war has been about 90,000, Cripps said.

(The U.S. War Production Board announced Wednesday that America had produced 171,257 planes since Pearl Harbor and that combined U.S. and British Empire production since 1940 was approximately 300,000, compared to Germany's 110,000 and Japan's 41,000.)

Cripps said that Britain was producing 16 plane types which were not in production in 1940 and that further new types were scheduled this year.

Paying tribute to British labor and management for their steadfastness in the days and nights of the blitz, when the need for aircraft was desperate, he said, "For a country of this size, right on the enemy's doorstep, we have every reason to be proud of our achievements. Production has been on an ever-rising scale since the end of 1940."

Cripps revealed that 40 per cent of the workers in British aircraft factories were women, compared to a negligible number at the beginning of the war. The total engaged in the industry has multiplied itself by 20 times.

At Britain's instigation, Cripps said, the production of Merlin engines—used in Mustangs—was started in the U.S., and that Britain had helped to start production of its most successful types, such as the Mosquito and Lancaster, in Canada and Australia.

Invasion Fireboats

The British Home Office announced yesterday that arrangements had been completed for seagoing National Fire Service fireboats to play their part in the invasion.

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Curtis, his chief of staff, have been in Russia in connection with the new bases.

The Forts which landed in Russia were escorted by U.S. and Soviet fighters, and the operation was carried out without a hitch.

There was one slight hitch, however, at an entertainment in an open-air theater for the U.S. and Russian air crews. A girl who came out and did a shimmy was greeted with enthusiastic whistling by the Yanks, but whistling is a sign of disapproval in Russian theaters

However, Maj. Gen. Alexander Perminov, who had been given the Legion of Merit by Ambassador Averell Harriman on behalf of President Roosevelt for his work on the bases, realized the situation, jumped up on the stage and explained.

The girl reappeared, did her shimmy with still greater vigor—and aroused louder whistling than ever.

Boulogne Gets Heavy Assault

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stretch of French coast closest to England, bridges, airfields and scores of road, rail and other military targets.

Fortresses and Liberators twice blasted Pas de Calais and the Boulogne area without losing a bomber. In the morning the heavies were escorted by Eighth Air Force P47s and P38s, a force which was augmented by P51s in the afternoon. Only one fighter did not return.

Meanwhile, more than 400 Mustangs, Lightning and Thunderbolt fighter-bombers carried out a series of strafing, dive-bombing and "buzz-bombing" attacks in France. Their targets included canal and river barges, factories, railroad bridges, locomotives, grounded airplanes, an airfield, rail yards, motor convoys, oil-storage tanks, troop-carrying trucks, warehouses, a flak tower, railroad facilities sheds and radio installations.

No enemy aircraft were encountered but flak barrages in some of the target areas were reported to be heavy and intense. Two P47s and one P51 were lost.

Even as the Air Ministry revealed that the Germans were trying desperately to patch the communications which the Allied Expeditionary Air Force had cut over the Seine and the Meuse rivers, Ninth Air Force Marauders and Havocs, escorted by P47s, struck at a bridge over the Seine near Paris late Saturday evening. Marauders and Havocs also bombed an airfield near Chartres and fighter-bombers and rocket-carrying Typhoons attacked a wide variety of targets in north France.

Three AEAF bombers and four fighters were lost.

The weekend blows at the so-called invasion coast of France followed the very heavy attack made by Forts and Liberators Friday in their first mission. In their second operation of the day the heavies hit a variety of military targets west and southwest of Paris.

2 Engines Out, Lib Landed on 1 Wheel

A LIBERATOR BASE, June 4—Flying his fifth mission in a week 2/Lt. Lester J. Baer, of Elk River, Minn., brought the Lib Zeus to its home base yesterday with an amazing landing on one wheel after hedgehopping back from Germany on two engines with two wounded crewmen.

Informed of the feat, Brig. Gen. Edward J. Timberlake Jr., wing commander, flew to the base and rewarded the 23-year-old pilot with the DFC in a surprise ceremony less than six hours after the plane landed.

Col. Ramsay D. Potts, of Memphis, Tenn., group commander, and group officer Maj. James Stewart, of Indiana, Pa., accompanied Timberlake.

Over the target, flak knocked out our No. 3 and No. 4 engines and blasted away our nose turret," recounted Baer. "When we tried to land we found that our landing gear had been damaged by flak. Neither the nose wheel nor the left wheel would come down.

"I have done my share of stunting in the past, but never had I attempted to land a big bomber on one wheel and two engines. However, with plenty of luck and the grace of Heaven it can be done. I'm mighty glad we all came through the landing without a scratch."

The navigator and nose gunner were wounded in the flak barrage, but the navigator refused to leave his post and receive first aid. With two engines gone, Baer dropped out of formation and piloted the crippled bomber home at low altitude.

To relieve the load on the two remaining engines, S/Sgt. Robert A. Alldrin, of Portland, Oregon, transferred every drop of gas from the main tank on the right wing to the tank on the left wing, supplying the two engines still in operation.

All detachable equipment was thrown overboard except machine-guns and a minimum of ammunition.

Arriving late at his home field, Baer found the main runway blocked by a plane. The alternate strip was shorter and swept by a strong crosswind.

Anybody's Guess

"We didn't know what might happen, but the engineer trimmed her up and everybody got set for the letdown," the pilot said. "I came in at minimum speed of 105 mph and set her down gently on the right wheel with all the brakes she would stand.

"The two engines managed to keep the ship balanced until we slowed down to about 60 mph, but by that time she was leaning heavily on her side and the left wing was beginning to drag the ground.

"Gradually we were pulled off the runway and a few seconds later the No. 1 prop dug into the ground and spun us around like a top."

Uninjured members of the crew included 2/Lt. Leon M. Abele, of Lawrence, Kan., bombardier; S/Sgt. Frank Ammirati, Brooklyn, radio operator; Sgt. Roy H. Brant, Carlisle, Tex., right waist gunner; Cpl. Raymond C. Jones, Scranton, Pa., tail gunner; Cpl. John H. Talbot, Cumberland, Wis., left waist gunner, and co-pilot 2/Lt. Clifford G. Bartlett, Waseca, Minn.

Italian Prisoners 'Join' U.S. Army

Wearing U.S. uniforms with "Italy" patches on shoulders, these former prisoners of war, who have volunteered for non-combat duty in the States with the U.S. Army, follow closely as an American sergeant-instructor of Italian descent translates common military terms into English.

Maj. Churchill In Raid on HQ

Partisan Leader Reported To Have Escaped Into Bosnia's Mountains

German paratroops and air-borne infantry descended on Marshal Tito's headquarters in western Bosnia, but the Jugoslav partisan leader and Maj. Randolph Churchill, son of the British Prime Minister, escaped to the mountains, it was reported over the weekend.

The raid was made on Tito's birthday, May 25. The Germans captured a number of prisoners at the headquarters, including John Talbot, correspondent of Reuters news agency, who was covering Tito for the U.S. and British war reporters' pool.

The Germans' account of the raid declared that the paratroopers "were able to make a number of valuable prisoners as well as capturing material and documents," although they acknowledged that the partisan leaders themselves escaped. They also claimed to have destroyed "all the large stores and supply dumps and very great masses of weapons and ammunition originally supplied to the partisans by the Badoglio traitors," meaning apparently the Italian patriots in northern Italy.

The report of Maj. Churchill's escape along with Tito was contained in an Associated Press dispatch from Bari across the Adriatic in southern Italy.

While fighting continued in western Bosnia against the air-borne forces and German motorized troops the Free Jugoslav radio declared that half of the paratroopers who took the headquarters at Drvar had been annihilated and minimized the importance of the Nazi seizure of the town in the "liquid" warfare which Tito fights.

The strategy of the poorly-equipped partisans is to avoid any decisive frontal encounter with the Germans but to make hit-and-run forays throughout Jugoslavia and in northern Italy and southern Austria as well. The radio recalled that the Germans had penetrated Drvar and other "liberated" towns several times past three days.

The Liberator Golden Gaboon was forced by mechanical difficulties to crash-land on her return from the bombing of Oldenburg, Germany, and fire broke out. Members of the ground crew are shown putting out the flames. The crew escaped injury. *Planet Photo*

Fund Started for Britain's Dr. Fleming

U.S. Campaign Is Begun To Reward Discoverer Of Famed Penicillin

A fund to reward Dr. Alexander Fleming for the discovery of penicillin has been started by Time magazine. Soon after a Time article pointed out that the British scientist had received nothing for his work but praise, a New York businessman sent in $1,000, a sum which was equaled by Time itself, with the request that others contribute.

"To hell with all mankind," the first contributor said, "when through indifference to the great men who alleviate pain it permits them either to starve or die of broken hearts or to pass their last days in acrimonious obscurity."

Informed of the fund by the London News Chronicle, Dr. Fleming said he knew nothing about it, but admitted that he had not received a penny for his work.

is made.

Manufacture Stepped Up

Now being manufactured in such quantities that allocations for civilian treatment can be made, penicillin seems to be even a more effective and quicker cure of bacterial diseases than the sulfa drugs.

However, sulfa drugs will still be necessary for intestinal infections, infections of the urinary tract and as prophylactics in epidemics of such diseases as meningitis, pneumonia and gonorrhea.

Fleming, a farmer's son born in 1881, made his famous discovery in 1928. In his laboratory at the University of London, where he taught bacteriology at St. Mary's Hospital Medical School, he was growing cultures of bacteria.

One day he found that mold growing on the culture plate had cleared a wide area of bacteria. He stuck a loop of aluminum wire in the mold colony and dipped the wire into a test tube full of mold-growing liquid.

Dr. Fleming found that even when diluted 800 times the liquid in which the culture grew prevented staphylococci from growing. He named the by-product of the mold penicillin—from the Latin for pencil, the shape of the magnified mold.

'Proved' in 1938

It was not until 1938, however, that the amazing properties of penicillin were proved. In that year, at Oxford, Dr. Howard Walter Florey and a team of research experts went to work to extract pencillin and test it.

Eight mice were inoculated with a deadly streptococci. Four of the mice were treated with penicillin every three hours during the course of a night. The next morning the untreated mice were dead, the inoculated ones alive.

After ten human beings were treated with it, Dr. Florey and his staff had proved that penicillin was effective against bacteria when injected into muscle or blood stream; it cannot be taken by mouth because it is destroyed by stomach acids; it is an ideal wound antiseptic because it works well in the presence of blood serum and pus.

It was also found that penicillin was the best treatment for all staphylococcic infections, closridia infections, pneumococcic infections of the lining of the skull, spinal cord, lung and heart surfaces, pneumococcic pneumonia against which sulfa drugs fail, and all gonococcic infections.

Although it has not been fully tested, penicillin has been found effective in the treatment of syphilis.

At first the production of the drug was small but now it is being manufactured in such quantities that it can be distributed to hospitals for civilian use. At one time it was a military monopoly.

Before it was made on a large scale, penicillin was grown in flasks by American manufacturers. At that time only enough was turned out to treat about 50 patients.

But doctors demanded the drug in large quantities, and by last fall many big drug and chemical manufacturers started to produce it.

Twenty-one companies soon will be turning out more than 100,000,000,000 units a month, of which 66,000,000,000 will go to American civilians, the Army having a stockpile on hand.

Prices vary from $2.85 to $10 for 100,000 units. Last year the price was $20.

Dr. Alexander Fleming
At long last, cash recognition

Nazi Oil Plants Badly Damaged

U.S. Photos Tell a Story Of Crippling Blows to Synthetic Production

terranean striking repeatedly at the oil fields at Ploesti in Rumania, and with the Russian armies threatening Ploesti, synthetic oil has assumed an even higher position of importance in the German economy.

The refineries at Zeitz, about 20 miles south of Leipzig; at Politz, suburb of Stettin, and at Brux, in the Czech Sudetenland, took the worst beating in a series of May attacks.

The Zeitz factory is believed to be out of commission indefinitely, while fires and explosions were so extensive at Politz and Brux that it is problematical how soon they can get back in production, USSTAF said. Brux was one of the largest synthetic oil plants.

The machinery necessary to operate a synthetic oil refinery is so hard to produce and so complicated that experts say it takes approximately two years to build such a plant from the ground up.

Photographs taken during and after the bombing runs on these factories show that large fires and explosions broke out almost immediately, and in some instances smoke billowed to extreme heights. Later photographic reconnaissance showed severe damage.

The Germans obviously placed a high value on the plants and tried desperately to defend them. Eighth Air Force bombers encountered intense fighter opposition in the May attacks.

Uninstructed Slate Picked by Indiana's GOP

Dewey, Bricker Camps Both Interpret Move As 'Favorable'

INDIANAPOLIS, June 4 — The Indiana State Republican convention named an uninstructed delegation of 29 to the national convention over the weekend in an action which brought varying interpretations from the Dewey and Bricker camps.

Gov. John W. Bricker, of Ohio, commented that he had "lots of friends" in Indiana and that the action indicated the people "won't be stampeded."

Robert W. Lyons, Indianapolis attorney who was elected national committeeman to replace Ernest Morris of South Bend, a Bricker supporter, said on the other hand that numerous delegates had told him they thought they were voting to instruct the delegation for Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York when in fact the vote was to table the resolution of instruction.

Capehart Named for Senate

The convention nominated Capt. William E. Jenner, of Bedford, an Army officer, for the remainder of the Senate term of the late Sen. Frederick Van Nuys (D), which expires in January, and Homer E. Capehart, Indianapolis manufacturer, for the six-year Senate term starting then. Capehart and Jenner were nominated upon the withdrawals of James M. Tucker of Paoli, former secretary of State, and E. J. Hancock, Greensburg newspaper editor, respectively.

Ralph F. Gates, former state GOP chairman, was nominated for governor without a contest.

On the Democratic side, Gov. Henry F. Schricker announced his candidacy for the Senate. Sen. Samuel D. Jackson, who now is serving in Van Nuys' place by appointment, announced he would run for governor.

Marylanders Uninstructed

Other weekend developments:—The Maryland Democratic convention named

5 Who Aided Gunner Trapped by a Live Bomb Are Honored

A FORTRESS BASE, June 4 (AP)—Two air force captains and three EMs of this base, who braved death to free a wounded Fortress gunner, trapped under a bomb dropped by a plane above, have been awarded the Soldiers Medal.

They are Capts. Robert Major, St. Paul, Minn., and Emory Kinder, Kingston, N.C.; T/Sgts. Charles James, Douglasville, Ga., and John Erp, Tecumseh, Okla., and Pvt. Willis Copeland, Edentown, N.C.

The Fortress was over the target in France—a Luftwaffe airfield—when a bomb dropped from a higher plane, taking violent evasive action to avoid flak, struck the ship. It smashed the tail section, injuring and pinning the tail gunner, but didn't explode.

The pilot, 1/Lt. Burdette Williams, of Tampa, Fla., brought the ship back to base and set it down gently. The impact when the bomb struck the ship had released the safety discs in the bomb's nose fuse, and the wind whistling through the arming vane had let the striker free to hit the timer. A slight jar might have exploded the bomb.

Rushing to the plane as it touched down, Major, James and Copeland, of the ordnance section, gingerly set about the job of rendering the bomb less likely to explode. Then Kinder and Erp, of the station medical detachment, got the injured gunner out and hurried him to the hospital, where he died later.

Ordnance men later finished the job of completely disarming and removing the bomb.

AFN Radio Program

On Your Dial

1375 kc. 218.1m. | 1402 kc. 213.9m. | 1411 kc. 212.6m. | 1420 kc. 211.1m. | 1447 kc. 207.3m.

Monday, June 5

1100—Sign On—morning after (Jack Benny).
1130—Duffle Bag.
1300—World News (BBC).
1310—Sports News.
1315—Melody Roundup.
1330—Victory Parade of Spotlight Bands.
1345—Personal Album.
1400—News Headlines and Scottish Orchestra.
1430—Radio Playhouse.
1500—Music While You Work (BBC).
1530—On the Record.
1630—Truth or Consequence.
1700—NBC Symphony.
1755—Program Resume.
1800—World News.
1805—GI Supper Club.
1900—Sports News.
1905—A Soldier and a Song.
1910—Calling APOs.
1915—Command Performance.
1945—Fred Waring.
2000—News from America.
2005—Carnival of Music (Morton Gould's Orchestra and Alec Templeton).
2030—Corporal Saddlebags.
2035—Raymond Scott Program.
2100—World News (BBC).
2105—Matt Kenny's Orchestra.
2135—Comedy Caravan (Gerry Moore and Jimmy "Schnozzola" Durante).
2200—John Charles Thomas.
2230—Hit Parade.
2300—Final Edition.
2305—Sign Off until 11 hours Tuesday, June 6.

Citizens' Group Assails Yank Behavior in U.K.

A meeting of religious leaders and prominent citizens of Grantham, Lincolnshire, adopted a resolution over the weekend stating that after hearing "certain evidence relating to the behavior of some American troops," it found that "the state of affairs in Grantham and other towns in this country is indeed deplorable."

The resolution asked Herbert Morrison, British Home Secretary, "to take immediate steps to deal with this serious matter."

The "evidence" referred to by the resolution was given by Denis Kendall, member of Parliament for Grantham, who recently charged in the House of Commons that U.S. military authorities were lax in curbing "unconcealed immorality" by American soldiers. At that time, Morrison said the U.S. authorities were cooperating to the fullest extent and that the behavior of U.S. troops was good.

Details of U.K. Blast Radioed As Tip to Saboteurs in Europe

Saboteurs in all the occupied countries of Europe were told yesterday, in broadcasts from London, the details of the explosion of a box car loaded with bombs in Cambridgeshire on Friday.

The cause of the accident, which devastated a small English town, was explained in many languages to people in France, Belgium, Holland, Denmark, Norway and many other countries, for it provides them with a striking object lesson of how, by a small and easily-produced mechanical defect, they can cause great havoc among the transport and supplies of their German overlords.

The Cambridgeshire explosion was not, of course, a case of sabotage. It was caused by an overheated axle box on the bomb-loaded freight car. So the people of Europe were told how to make the axle box overheated.

For instance, dust or grit can get into it through the oil filter. This will "bind" the axle, when the car is running, and in due course it will become so hot that the oil in the axle box will burst into flames and fire the car and its cargo.

There is another method. There can be insufficient lubricating oil in the axle box. This could occur through "inattention" at the railway marshalling yards. Then, while the car is on the move, the lack of oil will cause a hot bearing. If it remains "unnoticed" it will start a fire.

Ammunition trains in Europe have to travel much greater distances than those in Britain, and on such long runs there is greater opportunity for "inattention," for draining bearing boxes or for putting dust behind oil filters.

Thus the explosion which rent an English country town will set off many greater explosions in Nazi Europe.

The Eastern Regional Commissioner has called for a report on the gallantry of three railwaymen in the Cambridgeshire explosion. The three uncoupled the blazing bomb-laden car from 49 others loaded with bombs and shunted it away, saving the town from utter destruction.

The report will go to the Ministry of Home Security with a recommendation that their bravery should be recognized by the award of the George Cross.

Two men, the crew of the engine, faced death when they detached the blazing carload of bombs from the rest of the train and drove it 130 yards before it exploded.

One, Fireman James William Nightall, 22, of Littleport, was killed; the engineer, Benjamin Gimbert, 48, of March, was gravely injured.

Signalman Frank Charles Copeland Bridges, who jumped from his box and ran to help the engine crew with their work of uncoupling, died later from his injuries.

Empress of Canada Sank in 1943 with Loss of 400

CAPETOWN, South Africa, June 4 (AP)—The sinking of the Empress of Canada on March 15, 1943, was officially disclosed last night.

The Canadian liner was torpedoed by an Italian submarine 400 miles from Freetown and sank within 12 minutes. Some 400 persons lost their lives in the shark-infested sea.

The ship carried a number of Italian prisoners along with Greek and Polish refugees.

Given Awards

AN EIGHTH HEAVY BOMBARDMENT DIVISION, June 4—At a brief ceremony here recently, Brig. Gen. Robert F. Travis, of Savannah, Ga., and Lt. Col. Richard W. Weitzenfeld, of Chicago, were decorated by Brig. Gen. Robert B. Williams, of Albany, Ga., the division commander.

The Legion of Merit was awarded Weitzenfeld, 23-year-old squadron commander, for conceiving and perfecting a device which aids bombardiers to line up targets.

An oak leaf cluster to the Silver Star was awarded Travis, a combat wing commander, for gallantry in action while leading a formation of heavy bombers over Marienburg, Germany, Apr. 9.

Col. Schilling Honored

AN EIGHTH THUNDERBOLT BASE, June 4—Lt. Col. David C. Schilling, 25-year-old P47 pilot from Traverse City, Mich., has been awarded the DSC for "extraordinary heroism in combat."

The award was based on action which occurred Apr. 9. While Schilling was leading an Eighth Fighter group on a bomber-escort mission over enemy territory, he and his wing man became separated from the rest of the group. They encountered 30 to 35 enemy fighters. Disregarding the terrific odds, Schilling sailed into the swarm of enemy planes and destroyed one fighter. Later, despite damage to his plane, he attacked two more German fighters, destroying one and damaging the other.

'Cigar-Box' Nerve Tester A Boon to Station Dentist

AN EIGHTH THUNDERBOLT STATION, June 4—GIs with toothaches in the P47 group commanded by Lt. Col. Philip E. Tukey Jr., of Cape Elizabeth, Me., need no longer worry about having a lengthy molar extraction.

Capt. Jesse Caden, of Washington, D.C., the station dentist, and his assistant, Cpl. James M. Klotz, of Bethlehem, Pa., have devised an electrical nerve-tester, made from a couple of wall plugs, plexiglass from a Thunderbolt canopy, an audio transformer taken from a wrecked Spitfire, and a bomb-bay signal buzzer from an old Wellington, which—when all put together in a cigar box—works like a charm in indicating the vitality of an ailing tooth, preventing the doctor from pulling the wrong one accidentally.

Halsey Honorary KCBE

WELLINGTON, N.Z., June 4 (AP)—Adm. William F. Halsey, commander-in-chief of the South Pacific fleet, has been made an honorary Knight Commander of the British Empire by the governor-general of New Zealand. At a state luncheon the New Zealand government presented him with a travelling rug and a set of silver teaspoons for his wife.

Browns Swat A's, 3-0, 18-8, to Widen AL Lead

Yankees Split With Cleveland To Lose Ground

Chisox Climb from Cellar By Trouncing Nats, 5-2 and 5-3

NEW YORK, June 4—The Browns spanked the Athletics, 3—0 Friday and 18—8 yesterday, to cement their clutch on first place in the American League whirl as the Yankees victimized the Indians, 5—1, yesterday, but bowed to the Tribe, 5—4 in 13 innings, yesterday.

Don Black stopped the Brownies with four singles Friday, but they bunched them in the second inning to trounce the A's. Bob Muncrief turned in his second shutout of the season, winning on an error by George Kelly and one-baggers by Gene Moore, Milt Byrnes, Mark Christman and Don Gutteridge.

Six runs driven across the plate by Catcher Frank Mancuso led the assault against Jess Flores, who suffered his initial loss of the year, Luke Hamlin and Carl Scheib yesterday and made it easy for Al Hollingsworth, who relieved Nelson Potter in the fifth, to receive the nod. Mancuso homered with one on, swatted a double with the bases full and drove in another counter on an infield roller.

Borowy Hurls 7th Victory

The Yankees broke their losing streak at five games in a row by whipping the Tribe Friday, with Hank Borowy chalking up his seventh victory while holding the Indians to eight scattered safeties. Paul Calvert, the loser, Joe Heving and Ed Klieman were victims of the Bomber assault, the champs shattering a 1—1 knot in the seventh by scoring three runs on two hits, a walk and a wild pitch.

However, the Tribe evened the score yesterday when Manager Lou Boudreau singled in the 13th to tally Ken Keltner with the winning marker. Ernie Bonham opened for the New Yorkers and was tagged for four runs and 11 hits, including two homers by Roy Cullenbine, before exiting in favor of Bill Zuber, who was charged with the defeat. Klieman, saving Joe Heving in the tenth, was the victor.

Rudy York

[illegible] the Tigers to thump the Red Sox [illegible] Friday for the Bengals' seventh consecutive triumph. Joe Bowman was tagged with the reversal.

The Red Sox re[illegible] the Detroiters, 11—1, yesterday as the Tiger pitching staff fell apart at the seams after fine work which produced 13 victories in their last 17 starts. Four Tiger moundsmen issued ten passes and eight hits, the Bosox capitalizing on eight unearned runs. Jimmy Bucher homered with the bases loaded in the ninth for the Red Sox. Tex Hughson spaced 11 hits to notch his sixth triumph, while Forrest Orrell absorbed the defeat.

Chisox Paste Nats Twice

A 5—2 verdict over the Senators in a night affair Friday and a 5—3 win yesterday permitted the White Sox to emerge from the American League cellar. Thornton Lee won his first game in eight tries, handcuffing the Griffs with nine hits in the nocturnal contest, while his mates pummeled Dutch Leonard, the loser, and Milo Candini for 11. The Dykesmen pounded Leonard for four runs on five singles and a double in the second stanza.

Thurman Tucker, the league's leading batsman, boosted his average by clapping out three hits to spark the Chicagoans' splurge.

With First Baseman Eddie Carnett batting in three runs on two doubles and a single, the Chisox paved the way for Bill Dietrich to win over the Nats yesterday. Early Wynn hurled the distance for the losers, yielding 13 hits and contributing a homer to his team's futile cause.

Service Pitcher Hurls No-Hitter

NEW YORK, June 4—Harry Pollard, former pitcher for Winston-Salem of the Piedmont League, hurled a nine-inning no-hit game Monday as Mitchell Field defeated Fort Tilden, 8—0. Pollard struck out nine, walked nobody and hit one batsman.

Redbirds Trounce Phillies Twice, 9-3, 5-3

Larkin TKOs Archer in Eighth

NEW YORK, June 4—Tippy Larkin, veteran puncher from Garfield, N.J., soared to a high ranking position in the welterweight picture by pounding out a TKO in the eighth round over his arch-rival, Freddy Archer, of Newark, N.J., in Madison Square Garden before 7,924 fans on Friday night.

Referee Billy Cavanaugh stopped the bout at 1:24 of the eighth when Archer was hanging helplessly on the second strand of the ropes and Larkin was battering away at the semi-conscious form. Examination after the bout by Doctor William Walker, boxing commission physician, revealed Archer had suffered a brain concussion, and he was removed to a nearby hospital.

It was a thrilling encounter for seven rounds with both fighters striving hard for an early knockout. After the bell rang ending the third round they continued flaying leather at mid-ring until Cavanaugh and the handlers parted them.

Early in the eighth Larkin stunned Archer with a slashing right to the chin, then connected with another barrage of jolting rights and lefts, but Archer refused to go down. He wilted shortly thereafter, however, and that's when Cavanaugh intervened.

Tippy Larkin

Larkin's success was his third over Archer. He put him to sleep in their first meeting and drew a ten-round verdict in a return bout before Freddy entered the Marines two years ago. Recently released from the service, Archer launched a comeback campaign, featured by a victory over Fritzie Zivic.

Henry's Comeback String Snapped by Willie Joyce

CHICAGO, June 4—Henry Armstrong's current comeback ran into a snag in Chicago Stadium Friday night when the former triple-titleholder dropped a unanimous ten-round decision to Willie Joyce, hard-hitting Negro from Gary, Ind.

Henry forced the fight from the start, but Joyce peppered lefts to the veteran's face while in retreat. Most of Armstrong's punches were short or wild as he desperately threw gloves from all angles and Joyce caught him several times with bruising shots to the head, especially in closing rounds when Henry tired.

It was their third battle, each having one previous victory. More than 10,000 customers paid $35,552 to see the duel.

Cards Increase Lead Over Bucs To Five Games

Pirates Work Triple-Play Against Giants; Tobin Blanks Reds

NEW YORK, June 4—The league-leading Cardinals improved their position atop the National League scramble by slugging the Phillies, 9—3, in a Friday night tilt, and rapping the same club again yesterday, 5—3.

More than 20,000 Philadelphia rooters watched their team take it on the chin under the lights as Pepper Martin featured a 14-hit assault against three Phillie hillmen, collecting three timely blows. Buster Adams homered for the Phils off Mort Cooper, but the Redbird star was an easy winner.

Scoring all of their runs in the last three innings yesterday, the Cards shaded the Phils, 5—3. Al Gerheauser hurled six scoreless frames before the champs went to work; then they counted three in the seventh to tie the score and pushing across the clincher in the eighth on doubles by Relief Pitcher Al Jurisich and First Baseman Ray Sanders. Ron Northey clouted a round-tripper for the Phils in the second.

Bucs Victimize Giants

A triple-play by the Pirates helped them to edge the Giants, 7—6, in ten innings, yesterday after the New Yorkers had turned back the Bucs, 6—4, Friday, chiefly through the efforts of Manager Mel Ott, who cracked his 11th and 12th home runs. Preacher Roe was the loser Friday, while Rube Fischer [illegible] The three-ply killing came with runners on first and second in the Giant seventh. Johnny Rucker lined to Second Baseman Frank Gustine, who relayed the ball to Shortstop Frank Zak for the second out and Zak's throw to Babe Dahlgren at first completed the third triple-play of the season. Dahlgren and Gustine homered for the Pirates, while Danny Gardella and Napoleon Reyes duplicated the feat for the Giants. Xavier Rescigno entered the game in the ninth to receive credit for the victory. Ace Adams, replacing Harry Feldman in the eighth, was the loser.

Mel Ott

Tobin Whitewashes Reds

Shutout pitching by Jim Tobin—his third runless effort of the season—paraded the Braves to a 4—0 conquest over the Reds Friday, and the Boston nine followed up with a 5—4 victory over the Redlegs yesterday. Tobin limited the Reds to three hits and drove in two runs to make the most of a meager ration of four hits his mates collected from Ed Heusser. One of the four was a homer by Catcher Phil Masi.

A four-run uprising in the ninth by the Reds just failed to overhaul the Braves yesterday as Al Javery played the fireman role to quell the disturbance when Ira Hutchinson collapsed after eight scoreless innings. Elmer Nieman smacked two homers for the Braves, his eighth-inning four-bagger providing ultimate victory. Bucky Walters, departing in the sixth, was tagged with the setback.

Al Javery

The Cubs and Dodgers traded victories, the Bruins ending a six-game losing string, 2—1, Friday night, and the Bums grabbing yesterday's decision, 4—0. Claude Passeau shackled Durocher's team Friday, while the Cubs registered once in the second on successive doubles by Dominic Dallessandro and Don Johnson, and again in the seventh on a two-bagger by Joe Hughes and Phil Cavarretta's single. Bob Chipman, coming in during the seventh, was the losing twirler.

Eight hits off Hank Wyse and Dal Alderson handed the Bums their first triumph over Wyse since he entered the league last year. Rube Melton, veteran right-hander, halted the Bruins with five hits to win. Augie Galan led the attack against his former mates with two doubles and a triple, drove in the winning run and ran his streak of consecutive hitting games to 15.

Caster Taken by Navy

ST. LOUIS, June 4—George Caster, the No. 1 relief twirler of the Browns, has passed his pre-induction physical at Jefferson Barracks and [illegible]

Cricket Here to Stay

Clowns Blank Ninth AF, 9-0, But Game Bewilders Fans

By George Maskin
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

While his efforts were not fully understood by most of the Londoners, 1/Lt. Chuck Eisenmann, of Superior, Wis., pitched the CBS Clowns to a 9—0 victory over the Ninth AF HQ Saturday to headline a U.S. show in London's Wembley Stadium for the benefit of the British Red Cross.

[illegible] man to get to third. He also chipped in with the Clowns' only clouting.

The final score doesn't do the game, or the Air Force team, justice. Excluding the second inning, which saw the Clowns batter across six runs, it was a closely-contested affair, highlighted by Eisenmann's work and a home run by Sgt. Harvey Graybill, of Thompsontown, Pa., in the fifth.

In the second, the Clowns put together six hits, two walks and a couple of errors off Pfc Bill Israel, of Arlington, Ill., to settle matters. Cpl. Chester Borak, of Bellwood, Ill., replaced Israel in the third and put an immediate damper on the Clowns' batting.

From the crowd's standpoint, more interesting was the softball preliminary in which a Canadian HQ combination tripped the CBS Solons, 4—1.

Trailing, 1—0, in the last of the fifth, the concluding chapter, the Canadians loaded the bases on Cpl. Bill Farkas, of Toledo, Ohio, with one out. Farkas got the next man to tap weakly to the box and a forceout at the plate resulted.

That brought the Canadians' captain, E. F. Smith, of Kingston, into the spotlight. With a 2—2 count, Farkas tried to breeze the clincher Partkin and Smith responded with a clout into left center for a home run, clearing the sacks and ending the game.

Scott's Pilot Claims Buddy, Nova Drew

OKLAHOMA CITY, June 4—Eddie Sears, manager of Buddy Scott, Florida heavyweight who lost a ten-round decision to Lou Nova here Friday night, yesterday said he would ask the Oklahoma Athletic Commission to declare the fight a draw.

Sears said that he based his claim on the fact that one judge and one referee called the battle a draw, while a third gave the nod to Nova.

Syracuse to Resume Grid

SYRACUSE, N.Y., June 4—Syracuse University will return to intercollegiate football and basketball next year, but all other sports are abandoned for the duration, it was announced yesterday.

Lippy Spouts Off At $$$ Per Word

BROOKLYN, June 4—Leave it to Lippy Durocher to swell the cash box of the National League. Yesterday the Brooklyn manager got slapped $50—his second fine this year—because he kicked dirt and talked "ungentlemanlike" to Umpire Jocko Conlan in Friday's game with the Cubs.

Durocher's first fine of the season came as the result of similar uncomplimentary remarks when the Giants trimmed the Dodgers, 26—8.

AAU Approves Pro Relations

Navy Athletes to Compete In Mixed Tourneys Without Slap

NEW YORK, June 4—The Amateur Athletic Union yesterday loosened up a few notches on its regulations so that

The AAU said that no amateur athletes will be punished for playing with Navy teams against professionals. The governing body also agreed that if professional competition for an amateur is authorized by a superior officer for the benefit of a station, recognized charity or official funds, an athlete's amateur standing be unaffected.

Penn Eleven Schedules 8 Games at Franklin Field

PHILADELPHIA, June 4—For the first time since 1933, Pennsylvania University will play its entire football schedule at home, H. Jamison Swartz, athletic director, announced. The Quakers have carded an eight-game slate for '44.

Major League Results

American League

Friday's Games

New York 5, Cleveland 1
St. Louis 3, Philadelphia 0
Chicago 5, Washington 2 (night)
Detroit 4, Boston 1

Saturday's Games

Boston 11, Detroit 1
Cleveland 5, New York 4 (13 innings)
St. Louis 18, Philadelphia 8
Chicago 5, Washington 3

	W	L	Pct.		W	L	Pct.
St. Louis	26	19	.578	Boston	20	22	.476
New York	21	17	.553	Philadelphia	19	21	.475
Detroit	23	21	.523	Chicago	18	21	.462
Washington	20	22	.476	Cleveland	20	24	.455

New York at Cleveland (2)
Boston at Detroit (2)
Washington at Chicago (2)
Philadelphia at St. Louis (2)

Leading Hitters

	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Tucker, Chicago	24	99	18	40	.404
Hockett, Cleveland	32	115	10	40	.348
Ferrell, Washington	26	93	5	32	.344
Johnson, Boston	33	107	31	36	.336
Hostetler, Detroit	34	99	11	33	.333

Home Run Hitters

Cullenbine, Cleveland, 7; Hayes, Philadelphia, Seerey, Cleveland, and Spence, Washington, 6.

Runs Batted In

Stephens, St. Louis, 29; Spence, Washington, York, Detroit, and Hayes, Philadelphia, 27.

Stolen Bases

Gutteridge, St. Louis, 11; Stirnweiss, New York, 9; Case, Washington, 7.

Leading Pitchers

Borowy, New York, 7—1; Harder, Cleveland, Berry, Philadelphia, and Ryba, Boston, 5—1.

National League

Friday's Games

Chicago 2, Brooklyn 1 (night)
St. Louis 9, Philadelphia 3 (night)
New York 6, Pittsburgh 4
Boston 4, Cincinnati 0

Saturday's Games

St. Louis 5, Philadelphia 3
Brooklyn 4, Chicago 0
Boston 5, Cincinnati 4
Pittsburgh 7, New York 6 (10 innings)

	W	L	Pct.		W	L	Pct.
St. Louis	28	13	.683	Boston	21	23	.477
Pittsburgh	21	16	.568	Brooklyn	19	22	.463
Cincinnati	22	18	.550	Philadelphia	16	21	.432
New York	20	21	.488	Chicago	12	25	.325

Pittsburgh at New York (2)
Cincinnati at Boston (2)
St. Louis at Philadelphia (2)
Chicago at Brooklyn (2)

Leading Hitters

	G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Walker, Brooklyn	41	160	23	67	.419
Musial, St. Louis	42	152	31	55	.362
Bordagaray, Brooklyn	39	159	36	55	.346
Tipton, Cincinnati	32	115	16	39	.339
Holmes, Boston	45	186	23	61	.328

Home Run Hitters

Ott, New York, 12; Kurowski, St. Louis, 8; Schultz, Brooklyn, Nicholson, Chicago, Nieman, Boston, and Adams and Northey, Philadelphia, 6.

Runs Batted In

Schultz, Brooklyn, 37; Weintraub, New York, 30; Kurowski, St. Louis, 29.

Stolen Bases

Macon, Boston, 6; Rucker, New York, Lupien, Philadelphia, and Ryan, Boston, 5.

Leading Pitchers

Lanier and Munger, St. Louis, 6—1; Sewell, Pittsburgh, 7—2; Walters, Cincinnati, 8—3.

Terry and the Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate

Bounding Home Nips Pensive in Belmont

The CBS swimming team launched its season by scoring 14 points to beat the London Fire Service, London Home Guard and Ilford and Otter swimming clubs. . . . Fire Service and Ilford tied for second honors with six points each. . . . On the following night, the CBS tankers outscored the Fire Service squad, 22—8. . . . In a unique added feature, CBS whitewashed the London Firemen, 2—0, in a water baseball game.

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Pfc George Yentzen, of Beaumont, Tex., 146; Sgt. Al Deakin, of Providence, R.I., 153, and Pvt. Johnny Taelen, of New York, 190, flayed plenty of punishing leather to win their bouts in a recent Eighth AF Service Command boxing show. . . . The fans also were treated to a 30-minute draw between wrestlers Pvt. Alex Alexinis, of Brooklyn, and Pvt. Mano Melos, of New York.

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Capt. Hank Mazur, former West Point grid star, held a reunion recently with his collegiate running partner, Maj. Jere Maupin. . . . Mazur and Maupin provided the Cadets with one of the nation's most fearsome backfields during 1941 and '42. . . . A native of Glendale, Cal., Maupin commands a Fortress squadron in the ETO, and wears the Air Medal and two oak leaf clusters. . . . Maupin also played on the Army baseball team. . . . At present he is patiently sweating out the arrival of his wife, Peggy, who is slated for an ETO appearance with a USO troupe. . . . Peggy has appeared in several Broadway musicals, including "Let's Face It" and "Du Barry Was a Lady."

Jere Maupin

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Two victories this season boosted the current winning splurge of the — Infantry Yankees, 1943 baseball king of the ETO, to 26 straight. . . . The latest conquest defending champions have reeled off are double-plays. . . . Behind seven-hit twirling by T/5 Johnny Kilroy, of Washington, the USSTAF Engineers turned back the Airliners, 6—4. . . . Frank Burger paced the victors with three timely hits.

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A general and a sergeant matched tennis strokes with a major and a lieutenant at an Air Service Command depot last week and the general's team won, without pulling his rank. . . . Brig. Gen. Isaac W. Ott and Sgt. Charlie Hare, former British Davis Cup ace, edged Maj. Dewey Ott and 1/Lt. Frankie Shields, ex-U.S. star, in a single set, 6—4. . . . Hare later stopped Pfc Henry Quinn, of Ridgewood, N.J., 6—1, 6—1.

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The unbeaten — Hospital Challengers ran their winning streak to 45 in a row by whipping the — Ambulance unit, 12—3. . . . The Challengers are headed by S/Sgt. Tommy Chism, who has turned in four no-hitters during the current splurge.

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His mission scrubbed at the last minute, S/Sgt. Thomas Fresch, of Sandusky, Ohio, exchanged his electrically-heated gloves for leather ones and slugged it out with Sgt. Keith Voorhees, lightweight champion of his unit. . . . Fresch surprised his veteran foe, however, by rapping out a decisive decision. . . . Winners on a fight bill at an Eighth AF Lib station were Bobby Volk, of Portland, Ore.; Bobby Quinn, of Cleveland; Jimmy Wade, of Birmingham, Mich; Joe Gonzales, of Belinas, Cal.; RAF Cpl. Dick Boe; Jerry Pecoraro, of New York; Roger Sanchez, of San Antonio, Tex.; Ralph Bellucco, of Rochester, N.Y., and Vinny Podilla, of San Bernadino, Cal.

Young Snares 3 Titles as Illini Take CC Crown

Negro Freshman Victor In Dashes, Broad Jump; Sailors Second

GREAT LAKES, Ill., June 4—Claude (Buddy) Young, 18-year-old Negro premedical student, captured three events and helped win a fourth to pace the University of Illinois to its second straight Central Collegiate track championship yesterday before an all-naval audience.

Young won both dashes—the 100 in 9.8 seconds and the 220 in 21.3 seconds. His broad jump of 22 ft. 10 in. topped the field, and he climaxed his day's efforts by running the third lap on Illinois' victorious mile relay quartet.

Illini Win by 11½ Points

Illinois scored 57½ points against 46 for Great Lakes, which finished second. Notre Dame was placed third with 25, followed by Purdue, 14; Marquette, 13½; Lawrence College, 11; Michigan, 9; Minnesota, 6; Illinois Tech, 3; Indiana, 2, and Chicago, Central Michigan and St. Thomas, one each.

For the eighth time this year, Ross and Bob Hume, Michigan's twin act, ran a dead heat in the mile, being clocked in 4:14.6—their best performance of the season. They were the only Michigan entries in the meet.

Biggest upset came when Bill Beile, of Purdue, outlasted Bob Kelley, Illinois captain, in the half mile. Earlier, Kelley had defended his quarter-mile title, winning in 48.9 seconds.

Purdue's Kalus Takes Shot Put

Nelson Kalus, Purdue's Big Ten weight champion, captured the shot put, but bowed to Joe Kelly, of Notre Dame, in the discus. Phil Anderson, of Notre Dame, and Bob Phelps, of Illinois, tied for first place in the pole vault at 12 ft. 4 in.

Other champions crowned were Ken Weisner, of Marquette, high jump; Dave Nichols, of Illinois, 120-yard high hurdles; Jerry Thompson, of Great Lakes,

Two Marines Talk of Football Days

Keystone Photo

Marine Col. E. E. "Swede" Larson (left), famed former football mentor of the Naval Academy, and Angelo Bertelli, brilliant All-American quarterback from Notre Dame, talk over football days at the graduation ceremonies of the officer candidates' school at Quantico, Va. Bertelli was commissioned a lieutenant at the ceremony.

Majors' Mound Crop Yielding Its Share of Strikeout Kings

NEW YORK, June 4—Strikeout kings of the majors went to the wars when Bobby Feller of the Indians and Johnny VanderMeer of the Reds joined the Navy, but their successors are giving a fair account of themselves.

Jack Kramer of the Browns leads hurlers of both leagues as the first quarter of the schedule is nearly completed with 55. Max Lanier, the Cardinals' chunky southpaw, is tops in the National League with 40.

In '43 VanderMeer's 174 was high and Allie Reynolds of Cleveland headed the American League with 151. New swished his last 8 in a row past 31 batsmen.

Max Lanier

Despite numerous low hit games and the number of inexperienced players in the lineups, only three pitchers have fanned ten or more men in a single game, in sharp contrast to Feller's record of whiffing 18 Detroit Tigers Oct. 2, 1938. Bobo Newsom struck out 12 in an 11-inning stretch against the Indians May 28; Lanier fanned ten Giants last May 29 and Ken Raffensberger turned in 13 against the Pirates last Tuesday.

Although fast ball pitchers usually are well up in the number of wins as well as strikeouts, Al Javery of the Braves, who fanned 37, and Bill Voiselle of the Giants, with 35 victims, are exceptions. They share the league's tough luck berth, Javery winning his first game May 25 after six straight defeats and Voiselle dropping six in a row after taking his first three. During his losing streak Voiselle yielded less than one earned run per game.

Current strikeout kings can't hold a candle to the old timers. Charley "Old Hoss" Redbourne fanned 411 for Providence of the National League in 1884 for the all-time record, while Rube Waddell and Christy Mathewson hold the modern marks in their respective leagues.

Wright's Derby Winner Beaten By Half-Length

Bull Dandy Finishes Third; Platter Pulls Up Lame In Fifth Slot

NEW YORK, June 4—Warren Wright's Pensive, the Derby-Preakness winner, failed to complete his sweep of turfdom's "Big Three" yesterday as the fleet three-year-old crossed under the wire half a length behind William Ziegler's unheralded Bounding Home in the 76th edition of the $50,000 Belmont Stakes.

Once again Jockey Conn McCreary and Pensive turned on the steam in the stretch of the mile and a half classic, but Bounding Home, who stuck his nose in front moving into the last quarter of a mile, staved off the favorite's belated surge. Mrs. Donald H. Peters' Bull Dandy chugged in third, eight lengths behind Pensive.

Platter Limps Home Fifth

George Widener's entry of Who Goes There and Platter finished fourth and fifth respectively, Platter pulling up lame after crossing the finish line.

Ridden by Jockey Gayle Smith, Bounding Home earned $55,000, and rewarded his backers with $34.70, $8.20 and $5.80 after navigating the distance in 2:32.2. Pensive, the prohibitive 1—2 betting choice, paid $2.90 and $2.60, and Bull Dandy returned $19.30.

The Widener combination was second choice, slightly under 2—1, while the others were generally neglected in the betting by the 34,233 fans who crowded Belmont Park for the affair.

Eddie Arcaro broke Who Goes There fast and kept him out front throughout the first mile, with Pensive close behind and Platter in contention. Bounding Home was third when Pensive nailed Who Goes There at the mile mark, but he uncorked a fine burst of foot to catch and outgame the Wright-color-bearer in the final drive to the judges' stand.

McCreary Has No Excuse

McCreary had no excuse for Pensive's was too much of a horse today.

Bounding Home, although he hadn't won in seven starts last year and had only fair success before yesterday's stunning triumph, showed on several occasions that he fancied the long races and was able to travel a route. His time, however, was considerably slower than the track record of 2:27.6.

Minor League

International League

Friday's Games

Baltimore 9, Newark 1
Jersey City 5, Syracuse 3

Saturday's Games

Baltimore 7, Newark 4
Toronto 4, Buffalo 3 (first game)
Buffalo 4, Toronto 3 (second game)
Rochester 1, Montreal 0

	W	L	Pct.		W	L	Pct.
Jersey City	23	15	.583	Buffalo	20	17	.541
Rochester	21	17	.553	Montreal	17	18	.486
Baltimore	19	16	.543	Syracuse	13	19	.406
Toronto	19	16	.543	Newark	11	24	.314

Eastern League

Friday's Games

Williamsport 2, Scranton 1 (first game)
Williamsport 7, Scranton 5 (second game)
Binghamton 2, Hartford 1
Albany 11, Utica 1

Saturday's Games

Albany 7, Utica 5
Elmira 8, Scranton 5
Williamsport 7, Wilkes-Barre 3

	W	L	Pct.		W	L	Pct.
Albany	18	9	.667	Binghamton	12	14	.462
Hartford	17	10	.630	Utica	14	17	.452
Wilkes-B're	17	14	.548	Scranton	11	19	.367
Williamsp't	14	15	.483	Elmira	11	16	.407

American Association

Friday's Games

St. Paul 7, Minneapolis 5

Saturday's Games

Kansas City 10, Louisville 3
Toledo 10, Minneapolis 9
St. Paul 7, Columbus 1
Milwaukee 10, Indianapolis 5

	W	L	Pct.		W	L	Pct.
Milwaukee	30	11	.732	Toledo	19	20	.487
Columbus	25	16	.610	Minneapolis	15	23	.395
St. Paul	19	14	.576	Kansas City	13	24	.351
Louisville	21	18	.538	Indianapolis	12	28	.300

Southern Association

Friday's Games

Memphis 10, Atlanta 1
New Orleans 11, Nashville 10
Knoxville 5, Birmingham 4
Little Rock 5, Chattanooga 4

Saturday's Games

All games postponed.

	W	L	Pct.		W	L	Pct.
Memphis	20	14	.588	Knoxville	18	15	.545
Birmingham	20	15	.571	Atlanta	18	16	.529
Little Rock	20	15	.571	N. Orleans	11	23	.324
Nashville	19	15	.559	Chattanooga	10	23	.303

Pacific Coast League

Friday's Games

Portland 2, Seattle 1 (first game)
Portland 8, Seattle 2 (second game)
San Diego 6, Sacramento 2
San Francisco 8, Los Angeles 5
Hollywood 2, Oakland 1

Saturday's Games

Hollywood 4, Oakland 3
San Francisco 4, Los Angeles 1
Sacramento 7, San Diego 0
Seattle 5, Portland 1

	W	L	Pct.		W	L	Pct.
Portland	32	24	.571	San Diego	29	30	.492
S. Francisco	32	24	.571	Los Angeles	26	30	.464
Seattle	32	25	.561	Oakland	23	32	.418
Hollywood	31	26	.545	Sacramento	19	33	.365

One-Armed Star Bids for Majors

Memphis' Pete Gray Seeks Chance to Play In Big Time

MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 4—Given a chance, Pete Gray, of the Memphis Chicks of the Southern Association—organized baseball's only one-armed player—thinks he can make the grade in the majors.

At the same time, no less a baseball authority than Doc Prothro, former manager of the Phillies, figures that Gray is the equal of most major league talent today, despite his handicap.

Pete Gray

Concurring with Prothro that Gray is set for the hop into the big show is Billy Evans, president of the Southern Association, former American League umpire and also ex-boss of the Boston Red Sox farm system.

Gray, who lost his right arm about six inches from the shoulder when he fell beneath the back wheel of a car at the age of six, speaks simply but sincerely of the possibilities of moving ahead.

"Mr. Prothro thinks I can make the grade, and I do, too," Gray said. "I'd sure like to try and I hope to get the chance some day—soon."

Ex-Tiger Coach Dead

PRINCETON, N.J., June 4—Kenne Fitzpatrick, former track coach whose pupils included Amos Alonzo Stagg and Archie Hahn, has died here at the age of 79. Fitzpatrick, for whom the Princeton athletic field and fieldhouse were named, retired 12 years ago after coaching since 1910.

Army Captures Heptagon Title

Cadets Register 82 Points To Shade Dartmouth; Cornell Third

WEST POINT, N.Y., June 4—Rolling up 82 points, Army's team captured the tenth annual Heptagonal track and field meet yesterday as Jerry Morrow and Bill Ekberg led the way with double individual victories.

Ekberg won in the discus and shot put, while Morrow took the high and low hurdles. Don Burnham, of Dartmouth, also captured two events, winning the 880-yard and mile runs, as expected.

Dartmouth finished second behind Army with 68 points. Third went to Cornell with 26½, while Princeton gathered 24; Columbia, 20; and Pennsylvania, 19½.

No records were broken.

West Point Cadets to Play 9-Game Football Schedule

WEST POINT, N.Y., June 4—A nine-game schedule for the Army football team of 1944 has been released.

The schedule:

Sept. 30, North Carolina; Oct. 7, Brown; Oct. 14, Pittsburgh; Oct. 21, Coast Guard Academy; Oct. 28, Duke; Nov. 4, Villanova; Nov. 11, Notre Dame; Nov. 18, Pennsylvania; Dec. 2, Navy.

Al Javery Rejected

BOSTON, June 4—Al Javery, Boston Braves right-hander, has been rejected for military service after a physical exam. Javery said he was shelved by draft medicos because of varicose veins.

'Nimitz Bowl' Dedicated

WASHINGTON, June 4—The new "Nimitz Bowl," named for Admiral Chester Nimitz, was dedicated at Pearl Harbor with seven bouts between Army and Navy boxers. The stadium seats 10,000.

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College Reunion

AN Erasmus Hall (Brooklyn, N.Y.) reunion will be held at the Rainbow Corner, London, Wednesday, June 21, at 8 PM. Send reservations to Cpl. Bernie Mittman, 32636102, at his address or c/o The Stars and Stripes College Registration Service, 38 Upper Brook St., London, W1. Deadline for reservations, June 17.

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Shuttle Bombing

ESTABLISHMENT of American bases in Russia for shuttle-bomb runs over enemy territory marks not only a highly successful forward step in unceasing aerial attack but also stands as a concrete achievement of Soviet-American cooperation.

Plans for such a bold move have been in the making since the Moscow Conference in October, but the secret was so successfully kept that the Germans were taken by complete surprise. The first inkling they had was when they saw Forts "flying the wrong way" crossing the front.

Correspondents in Russia who witnessed the inaugural were impressed by the way in which Russians and Americans worked side by side building the shuttle base. The language difficulty alone was surely tremendous, but that along with differences in technique and procedure were overcome not with ease but with hard work. Both sides sweat it out.

To see the significance of Russian-based American planes, draw a circle from bases in Britain, Italy and North Africa. Those circles cover considerable territory. But a circle drawn from any point in Russian-held areas spreads over the rest of Naziland. The four circles make an impressive bomb blanket coverage.

Signalizing the combined Russian-American blow, Mr. Averell Harriman, United States ambassador at Moscow, on behalf of Mr. Roosevelt presented the decoration of Officer of the Legion of Merit to Russian Maj. Gen. Alexander Perminov of the Soviet Air Force "for the performance of outstanding services in an exceptionally meritorious manner."

Britain's Plane Output

SIR Stafford Cripps, Minister of Aircraft Production, in a report showed that 27,271 aircraft were delivered from factories in the United Kingdom [illegible] 12,521 planes were produced during the first year of the war.

And production was more than doubled during a time when the entire island fortress was under continuous attack by the Luftwaffe and production facilities were damaged repeatedly.

The courage and skill displayed by the British in achieving this goal rates our unstinted praise and our A1 salute.

GI Housing

A HOUSING shortage in the United States has been a problem of decades, and the war has aggravated the lack of suitable shelter. There are many plans underway to alleviate this condition as soon as hostilities cease, and the latest is that devised by the United States Steel Corporation.

U.S. Steel has purchased a controlling interest in a prefabricated home building company which has machinery and methods capable of producing on an assembly line basis one house every 25 minutes.

When things get moving, the company can step up output to one house every 15 minutes.

Right now it is estimated that the United States will need 1,236,000 new homes per year for at least ten years before the housing shortage is broken.

All of these houses will not be of the prefabricated type, of course, because everyone won't want that type of house and marketing restrictions will cut down the areas in which such homes can be built. But prefabrication and mass production methods will have their vital part in the approaching American building boom.

Battle of Words

EXPERTS have repeatedly backed the theory that a simplification of our language, leading to easier mastery and more widespread usage of English, would be a helping factor in bringing the people of the post-war world closer together. At the moment, however, the difficulties presented by our native tongue are helping lick one of the latest Nazi tricks, the staging of fake broadcasts to trap underground patriots.

Even when the German networks employ men or women of British or American extraction they fall far short of their task. An American newscasting staff offers to widen a range of brogues to make for easy imitation, and there are few tasks more difficult than that of a gutteral Teutonic voice affecting the precise intonations of a BBC newsreader.

On the whole, the underground listener has become far too accustomed to the "voices" which he has heard day in and day out to be easily fooled. With repetition the voice becomes a personality and every inflection is noted and remembered. Then, too, not the least of our weapons against fakes is the matter of pronunciation, a bugaboo which sometimes splits our own ranks. As long as Myitkyina remains "Mitchi-naw" and the River Bug is "boog," we have little to fear.

Hash Marks

In the ETO you soon learn that all that glitters is not gold—also, all that is brass had better glitter. In fact, one signal company whose men spend plenty of time keeping the buttons polished has a new theme song, "This is My Shining Hour."

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Just in case you might have missed seeing one of the hundreds of magazines or newspapers which have already run

this gag we present the latest "shaggy dog" story. A guy dropped by to see an old friend and there sat his host playing chess with his pet dog. The pooch was doing a masterful job, making the correct moves, &c., and the visitor was astonished. "Say," he exclaimed, "that's some dog, first one I ever saw play chess; he's marvelous!" "No," replied his host slowly, "I wouldn't say that. He's really not so wonderful—I just beat him four out of five."

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Military Courtesy. After throwing a smart, snappy salute at a pretty WAC officer an observant Pfc casually remarked, "Pardon me, lieutenant, your slip is showing."

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There will always be an England. The following item appeared in a London newspaper, "Fish fryers are taking steps to ensure normal fish and chip supplies when invasion starts."

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Overheard in Court: "When I asked my husband what act of courage deserved the highest award, he said, 'Marrying a woman.'"

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Lt. Tex Nerren reports that guys in his area, after seeing the "Sold Out" sign go up on so many bars, have twisted an old phrase to "Sighted Pub—Drank [illegible]

down on a mean old sergeant. Well, Pfc Edwin Hirsch has sent in the perfect answer to the poem. Hirsch, as you will gather, has been here long enough to appreciate an egg. His poem, "Dear Egg":

Oh, wuscious wittle wotten egg,
Away up in a twee,
Don't fwoe yourself at sergeant
Nor spatter down on he.
I fink you are a wuvwy egg,
And ifen you was fwied,
I'd wuv ya aw to pieces
Until the day I died.
So if you'd wike some wuvin
Des come down fwom your twee
To be my edible garbage
And eaten get by me.

J. C. W.

Cubs Will Be There on D-Day, Too

Cracker-Box Air Force Will Play A Big Role

By Robert F. Blake

A NINTH AIR FORCE SQUADRON, June 4—The day the birds are grounded because of weather conditions, the pilots of this squadron won't fly their Stinsons and Piper Cubs, either. Until then, these enlisted fliers will run the mail, taxi high-ranking officers and haul anything that can be squeezed into the back seat of their flying jeeps.

Attached to an American Army, these airplane couriers fly more than 2,000 hours a month, clocking 150,000 miles taking high-priority mail, equipment and personnel to the front door of every important headquarters in the Army.

As the battle for Europe develops, the L pilots will be along with the footsloggers. Unarmed and more vulnerable than any aircraft the air forces have in operation, the craft will be flying vital communications, doing observation sorties, directing road traffic from the air and generally making themselves plenty valuable.

The tactical value of Stinsons and Piper Cubs has been proved in every theater of operations. Most recently the L planes were in the fleet of aircraft that descended behind Japanese lines with Col. Philip Cochrane in Burma. Sometimes the Air Forces have to work in close quarters, and these planes don't need much elbow room.

Land on a Stamp

Being able to land on a postage stamp, the pilots of this squadron say, "Stick a pin in the map of England and we'll take you within 50 yards of the pinpoint." In making good the promise the GI pilots clear cricket fields of players to make a landing, come in on sandy [illegible]

"We're so used to landing in the fields that when we see a runway we land on the grass beside it," the pilots claim.

At the home base of the flying jeeps, a windswept green on the flank of an artillery range, there are no concrete runways; there's no weather office, no control tower, no briefing room, no giant gas trucks, no bulldozers to tug aircraft into position. The pilots make visual weather observations and fly over England with the aid of a military map, consulting it as one would an Esso map of Rhode Island. When an aircraft is put into position, a couple of Joes push it, taking care on windy days the ship doesn't get away.

Pilots speak of these lightweights of the Air Forces as cracker boxes, crunch boxes, Maytag Messerschmitts and paper planes. They tag themselves jockeys; the crunch-box boy in flight is as much on his own as Eddie Arcaro bringing one in at Saratoga. He's his own pilot, navigator, metereologist and intelligence.

Most of the boys flying the paper air force have one common factor: Their introduction to flying came in civilian life and they are still piloting the plane they flew back home.

To a crunch-box pilot, the man at the controls of a heavy is a bomb-chauffeur restricted to certain kinds of formation flying that would keep an L pilot very unhappy. "Why, just the other day the pilot of a heavy flew one of our Stinsons for a while and had the best time in years," said 1/Lt. Fred A. Campbell, of Tampa, Fla., the squadron operations officer, himself an experienced A20 pilot.

What the L pilot likes best is being upstairs on his own with a map of England and the order to get his run through.

Can Be Trouble

His job is not all milk and honey, though his plane is a slow one and his altitude seldom more than 1,500 feet. He can run into a lot of trouble between 1,500 feet and that green carpet beneath.

Recently, S/Sgt. Thomas M. Wood, a liaison pilot from Fort Worth, Tex., ran into some trouble and made a forced landing in a plowed field. Refusing medical aid, Wood got transportation to deliver papers pertaining to an important exercise before being taken to a general hospital for treatment. Wood's devotion to duty won him a commendation from Lt. Gen. Lewis H. Brereton, commander of the Ninth Air Force. Wood, a shy Texan, who felt that he was only doing what was expected of him, can't say exactly what the general said. "To tell the truth, I never read all of that commendation," he says.

Such steadfastness of purpose and that promise to bring their cargo within 50 yards of any headquarters in Britain keep the L pilots just about 50 yards ahead of the local constables.

Almost daily an excited farmer will call his constable and report, "A Nazi flier posing as a Yank has come down in my field in an aircraft with American markings." The GI pilot needs to do some fast talking, quick thinking and quick producing of credentials to keep out of the clink.

Toy-like as the Stinsons appear, they can take any beating the elements hand out and will fly the mail on days other aircraft are grounded. The cracker-box jockey does his own mechanical work up to the echelon stage, when the ship is put under the care of M/Sgt. Leonard Rak, a 43-year-old mechanic with five hash marks.

Rak kept aircraft of the Ninth Fighter Command in the air in the Middle East, African and Sicilian campaigns and is in the relative position of the Greyhound bus mechanic put on oiling scooters. "You've got to keep tinkering with them all the time," Rak said.

Crash Crew, Too

Rak's section is the crash-crew, too. When a liaison plane hit a balloon cable recently and went down in water, Rak fished the ship out and packed it on a 2½-ton truck. Try that with a Mustang.

Commanded by Capt. James R. Cooper, 28, of Clark, La., who formerly flew medium bombers, this squadron was the first of its kind in Britain. The assistant operations officer, F/O William O. Huttlinger, of Los Altos, Cal., transferred from the RAF; he'd been flying Blenheims and Bostons for the British since July, 1942.

The engineering officer, 1/Lt. Ateo B. Ciabottoni, is an L pilot from way back, having trained as one at Fort Sill before transferring to the Air Forces.

A large number of the enlisted pilots of the squadron, the boys who fly the daily runs, were on the first War Department order establishing the rating. Drawing 50 per cent flying pay, the men hold the grade they had when classified as L pilots, which accounts for the three first sergeants in the squadron.

Flying Jeeps Go Up Any Time, In Any Weather

Public-Relations School

By Tom Hoge

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A U.S. INFANTRY DIVISION, June 4—The record of the Ninth Division's outstanding PRO coverage during the Sicily campaign, described on this page some weeks ago, prompted this division to conduct a three-day public relations school—and as a result the volume of home-town news stories sent in by the units has jumped from a doubtful ten a week to more than 300.

"When we read of what the Ninth had achieved," said Lt. Tucker Irwin, of Washington, Ga., division PRO, "we decided we'd better get on the ball and do something about it. But we never dreamed it would work out this well."

The division commander, who has always been a staunch advocate of publicizing his men and their activities, issued a memo authorizing the school.

He also issued a statement which was read at the opening session.

"I believe," he said, "that the Army belongs to the people, and it should be our job to let the people know what the men of the Army are doing."

Organized under the direction of Lt. Irvin and his assistant, Cpl. Al White, of Atlantic City, N.J., the school was run along the lines of an informal bull session, with a few lectures, frequent discussions and some actual field practice.

"We just got the boys together and hashed out the situation," said White, a veteran newspaper man. "When we proved to them that their stuff really did get back to the home-town papers they went overboard for the idea. When they came in they were disinterested and uncertain of the whole setup. But before they left they were laying bets with each other as to who could produce the most copy.

"We opened the school with a general outline of what we hoped to do, and then followed it up with talks by a couple of war correspondents, an officer from PRO headquarters and one from Army Pictorial Service."

The second day was thrown open to a general discussion and on the final day each man went out, dug up a story and brought it in to be reviewed and criticized by Irvin and White.

"That last phase accomplished the most, I believe," said White. "It ironed out in two or three hours problems that have been bothering both us and the PROs for months. It gave us a chance to show them by concrete example what sort of story the folks back home want, and what methods to use to get the quickest and best coverage.

"Since we ran the school we've not only received a terrific volume of stuff, but most of the copy is so ably written that it requires very little editing, and when you're trying to cover a division, that's a hell of a big item."

In the course, it was suggested that as many names as possible be included in each story. Some of the stories that have come in since have carried as many as 200 names; potentially 200 stories for the papers back home.

"The unit PROs have a thankless task and deserve a lot of credit for the cooperation they have been showing," said Lt. Irvin. "We realize that they are all doing full-time jobs in some other capacity, and that this is only a side issue that doesn't even net them a byline. That's why we've always hesitated to expect much from them. But since we held that course, we need have no worries on that score. All we have to sweat out now is the job of clearing through the volume of stuff that somes in every day."

Speakers at the school, besides Irvin and White, were Louis Azrael, Baltimore News Post correspondent; Holebrook Bradley, of the Baltimore Sun; Lt. E. G. Marquardt Jr., of Army Pictorial Service, and Capt. James Quirk, a headquarters public-relations officer.

PRIVATE BREGER

"What's the matter, soldier? Don't you believe in proper salutes?"

Notes from the Air Force

LT. Dean R. Morehouse, of Williston, N.D., has reason to scratch his head in wonder about how he got his Thunderbolt back from a recent escort mission over Germany. Flying on the deck, and unable to jump his plane in time, Morehouse went through a row of 50-foot pine trees "like a four-bladed lawn-mower." He had barely enough blades left to get him back to home base.

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Induction news from relatives at home hit two members of a Ninth Air Force troop-carrier squadron, both veterans of the Sicilian campaign, at the same time. Pvt. Vincent Passelaqua, of Hammonton, N.J., learned that his son had been inducted into the Army, and at the same time—reversing the situation—Pvt. Deslile Smith, of Carmel, N.Y., heard that his stepfather was now in the Marine Corps.

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AIRMEN who rain incendiaries on Europe have acquired a definite affection for ordnance groundlings in the Air Service Command. Thanks to the latter, they no longer have to worry that their fire bombs might explode directly beneath their ships.

Under the old system, incendiaries came in a cluster of six, fitted into a frame. Sometimes, as the frame left the ship, the bombs would collide and explode. Now due to a fuse which the ordnance boys have perfected, the danger has been eliminated.

NEWS FROM HOME

House Refuses To Withhold Aid From S. America

Plan to Keep Lend-Lease From Any Nation Not Fighting Rejected

WASHINGTON, June 4 (AP)—After rejecting an amendment which would have withheld Lend-Lease from "any nation whose troops have not been engaged in actual battle in the present war," the House of Representatives yesterday passed and sent to the Senate legislation appropriating $3,920,000,000 for the operation of Lend-Lease, UNNRA and the Foreign Economic Administration for the fiscal year starting July 1.

The ban was introduced by Rep. Noble J. Johnson (R., Ill.), who said it was aimed at South American republics which had declared war on the Axis but had furnished no troops to fight.

Women Traffic Cops

SAN FRANCISCO, June 4—Because of the manpower shortage San Francisco will have women traffic officers, but no "pistol packin' mamas." The gals, the first 16 of whom will be chosen soon by examination, will be armed with only a pad of traffic tickets, a whistle and a "lady's size" billy.

All-Out War Effort

MERRICK, L.I., June 4 — Sam Wechsler, father of a six-year-old daughter, contributed nine quarts of blood to the Red Cross and became the champion blood donor of Nassau country. But Sam didn't think that was enough, so last week he enlisted in the Marines.

New Plates for Dakotans

PIERRE, S.D., June 4—South Dakota automobiles will sport new license plates in 1945 for the first time in three years. With the state's present plates so battered and weather-beaten most of them are illegible, the War Production Board agreed to release enough steel for new ones.

Nation's Deepest Gusher

SHREVEPORT, La., June 4—The nation's deepest oil-producing well—13,503ft. deep, and flowing at the rate of 500 barrels a day, has been sunk in Terrebonne parish. The deepest well is in Pecos county, Tex.—more than 15,000ft. deep—but it isn't producing.

155 Ships Built in May

WASHINGTON, June 4 (UP)—A total of 155 ships, amounting to 1,537,000 deadweight tons, were delivered during May, the Maritime Commission announced tonight. This makes a total of 719 ships for the first five months of the year.

Cochran Back Home

WASHINGTON, June 4—Col. Philip Cochran, 33-year-old-chief of the First Air Commando Force, which flew Gen. Orde Wingate's Chindits into Burma, has completed his mission and returned to the U.S. Cochran reported to Gen. Henry H. Arnold Friday.

Alexis Smith to Wed

HOLLYWOOD, June 4 — Actress Alexis Smith and actor Craig Stevens, both of Warner Bros. studio, have announced plans to wed. Stevens got a medical discharge from the army six months ago.

Dies Running to Aid Flier

LONG BEACH, Cal., June 4—Assistant Fire Chief James L. Danks died from a heart attack while running across a tomato field to aid F/O Victor J. Veroda, of Cuba, Kan., who had parachuted from his disabled P47. Veroda landed uninjured.

Albany Mayor Arrested

ALBANY, N.Y., June 4—Mayor Frank S. Harris and two other city officials have been arrested on charges of conspiring to obstruct administration of law. The arrests were an outgrowth of an investigation into crime in Albany County.

Navy Airpower Grows

WASHINGTON, June 4—The Naval air force now has nearly 37,700 planes of all types, Assistant Secretary Artemus L. Gates disclosed in a broadcast yesterday.

Zero Mostel Divorced

RENO, June 4—Zero Mostel, double-talking radio comedian, was divorced last week by his wife Clara, who charged cruelty.

15 Seized in Baltimore In Draft-Dodger Ring

WASHINGTON, June 4—Discovery of an "Army-dodging" ring in Baltimore was disclosed today by the Federal Bureau of Investigation with the arrest of 15 persons, including three soldiers employed at the Baltimore induction center.

The 15 were charged with teaching men called up for military service to feign mental illness in order to avoid duty. FBI men said the "instructors" charged fees ranging from $150 to $600 for their advice.

A New Pin-Up Girl!

Keystone Photo

Like her noted parents, Victoria Elizabeth James, eight-week-old daughter of the screen's pin-up girl Betty Grable and Band Leader Harry James, was at home while flash-bulbs went off around her as she made her Hollywood pin-up girl debut.

Joan Fontaine Wins Divorce With Plaint Brian Made Her Cry

LOS ANGELES, June 4—Film actress Joan Fontaine was granted a divorce by a court here after she charged that Brian Aherne, whom she once called the perfect husband, had:

1—Made her cry every time she phoned him.

2—Bought a desert ranch, although she was allergic to dust.

3—Refused to let her entertain guests.

4—Made her ask for permission to enter the library of their Beverly Hills home.

5—Blighted her life and work.

Unhurt in 31 Missions, Cracks Up at Home

NEW YORK, June 4—S/Sgt. James B. Fleming, of Richmond Hill, L.I., N.Y., who completed 31 missions as a gunner in the southwest Pacific without receiving a scratch, tripped over a wire in an American rest camp and broke both arms.

Lack of Manpower Perils Midwest Wheat Harvest

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 4—Railroad men, wheat growers and shippers were told at a meeting yesterday the biggest problem facing the coming wheat harvest is manpower. Monroe Johnson, director of the office of defense transportation, said there would be as many railroad cars available as can be handled by the manpower supply. The wheat growers were warned that box cars would have to be unloaded without delay because there are 9,000 fewer available, and none can be used for storage.

Cuba Elects San Martin to Succeed Col. Batista

HAVANA, June 4—Dr. Ramon Grau San Martin was elected President of Cuba over the weekend to succeed Col. Fulgencio Batista, the former Army private who came into power as Cuba's "strong man" following the downfall of Gerardo Machado.

Carlos Saldrigas Zayas, former prime minister, who ran against San Martin, conceded the election before the returns were complete. San Martin previously had served as president.

Capital Finds Glamor Keeps Traffic Moving

WASHINGTON, June 4 — To gladden the eye of the harried American businessman visiting Washington, the Capital Transit Co. has opened a "charm school" for its 60 women street car operators and bus drivers.

Mrs. Hannah Sherman, a beauty consultant, has been hired by the company to pretty up its feminine staff, already sleekly garbed in uniforms created by a New York fashion designer.

Company officials said the whole program was designed to give women employees "that necessary feminine charm which will impress the males sufficiently to make them respond quickly to 'Move to the rear of the car, please.' "

German-Americans Jailed For Acting as Nazi Agents

NEWARK, N.J., June 4—Six former members of the German American Vocation League have been sentenced to prison terms of two years each after being convicted of conspiring to act as unregistered German agents. Fines of $5,000 each were imposed by Federal Judge Thomas F. Meaney against the League and its subsidiay, the DAB Recreational Resort Inc. One of those sentenced was Joseph B. Liebein, former treasurer of DAB.

Wallace Hails Soviet Amity

Vice President, Speaking In Russian, Gets Warm Welcome in Siberia

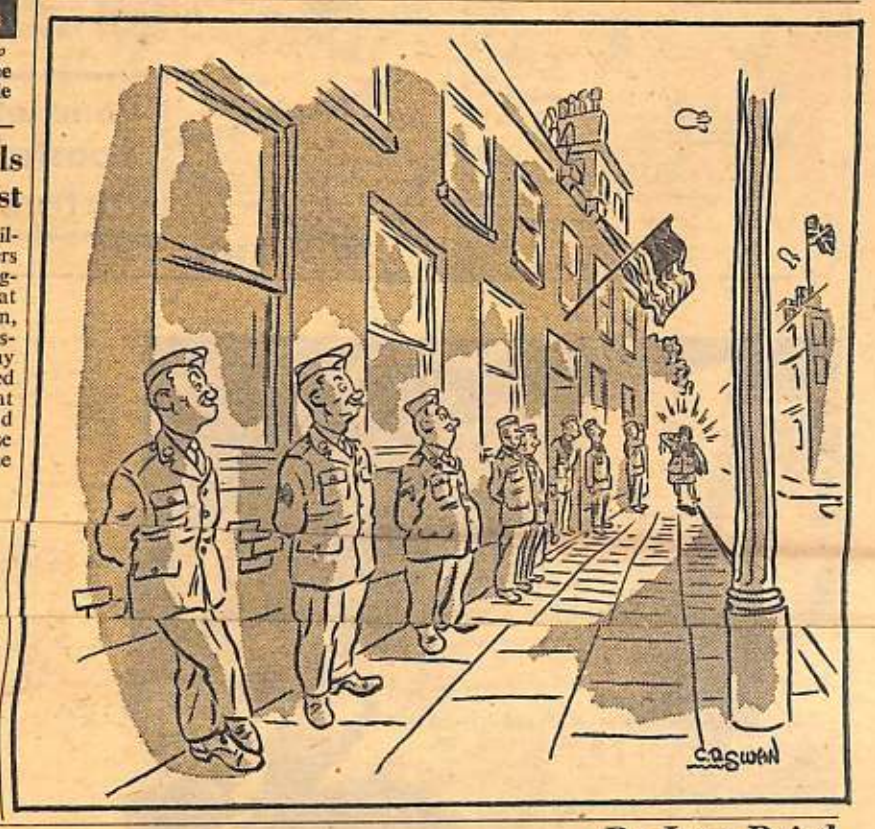
Speaking in Russian, Vice-President Henry A. Wallace told an audience in a crowded opera house in the Siberian town of Irkutsk that the development of the U.S. northwest, Canada, Alaska and Soviet Siberia must play an important role in post-war reconstruction, Moscow radio reported yesterday.

After a Russian welcome described by Moscow as "warm," Wallace asserted that "only the full collaboration of our two great countries and their allies can guarantee world peace and true development."

He declared there were no countries more like each other than the U.S. and Russia, and added that the Soviet Union's inexhaustible natural wealth reminded him of America and the history of Siberia reminded him of the Far West.

'Tyrants' War' Born in Tenn.

MURFREESBORO, Tenn., June 4—J. F. Snyder, of Murfreesboro, a semi-invalid who spends most of his time reading and listening to the radio, was identified last week as the author of "The Tyrants' War," the phrase President Roosevelt told a press conference was the best descriptive label he had seen for World War II.



Diane — By Jean Baird

Male Call — By Milton Caniff

By Courtesy of King Features Syndicate Inc.

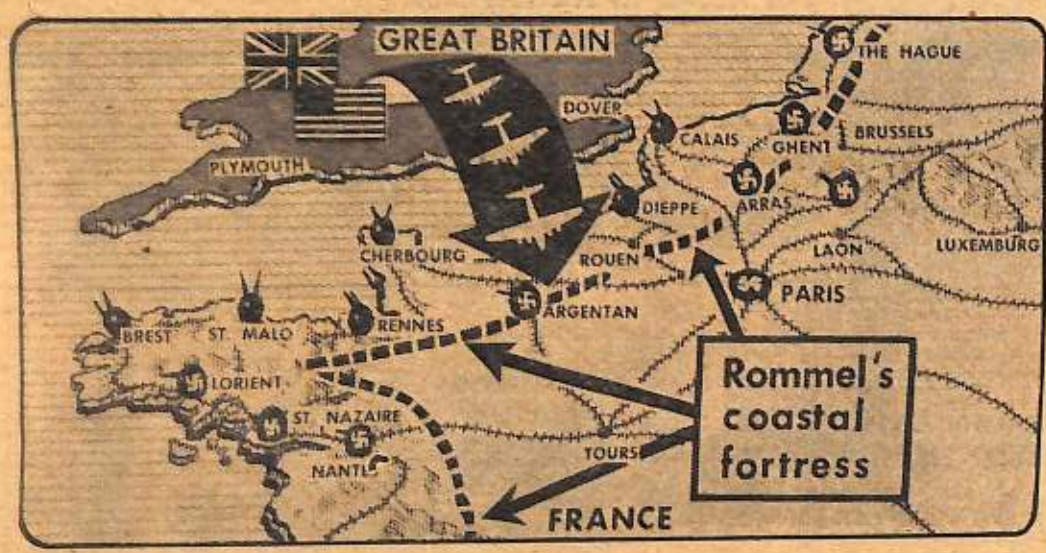
Blondie — By Chic Young

Enemy Boasts Disclose Atlantic Wall Features

Nazis Claim German Coastal Defenses Form Network from Spain to Norway

Although the Germans have given no blueprint of their "Fortress Europe," a fair picture of some of the more obvious features, as shown on the AP map at right, could be pieced together from enemy boasts and reports reaching neutral countries. In addition to minefields to aid U-boats off shore, the Nazis claim coastal defenses from Spain to Norway with 7,700 heavy guns, more than 3,000 heavy anti-tank guns and "millions of land mines."

The map below, by International News Photos, gives a general picture of the "coastal fortress," the broken line indicating the defense zone. It also shows the network of railroads radiating from Paris. Swastikas indicate points which have been mentioned as "Rommel's Command Forts" and are reported to be specially fortified. Allied air attacks on this area reached a peak over the weekend when bombers rocked and blasted the zone in the most concentrated 48-hour attack the war has known. This latest "front line" assault over Hitler's Europe brought the total bomb load dropped on this vital target to more than 5,000 tons in 36 hours.



Associated Press Photo

Today's Dirty Story

Utility Alarmclock— "PDI," tame peacock mascot who as self-appointed assistant to the charge of quarters at an Eighth AAF heavy bombardment base helps rouse combat crewmen in time for missions, gives T/Sgt. Ken L. McCulligh, of Ypsilianti, Michigan, the business. The peacock, which belongs to a neighboring estate, has been adopted as crew mascot. The crewmen say they prefer "PDI" to an alarm clock, rooster, or sergeant's whistle.

Associated Press Photo

One of the many odd ways of rigging a battle area shower bath is adopted by Lt. Arthur Carter, Marine correspondent on Cape Gloucester, who gets a power shovel operator to help him get rid of the thick South Pacific mud that clings and clings and clings.

Keystone Photo

Just Like Houdini— A motor conked out and this P-38 plowed into a concrete building. The aircraft, coming in for a routine landing at an AAF base near Naples, wrecked jeeps and trucks in the area. Two persons were killed; but, miraculously, the pilot escaped from the wreckage alive.

That Old Black Magic— Enhancing her charms with a stunning black negligee curvaceous Frances Rafferty takes her place as a new glamor contender on the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer lot. Each new picture has brought a boost in Frances' fan-mail. From where we sit, we don't see how she can lose.

Doggone Good MP— A dog, attached to a 9th AF Hq MP unit, sits on a jeep hood and watches his "buddies" pass in review.

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