

War's Greatest 24-Hr. Air Assault Hailed

Nazis Lose 2,700,000 in Russia

Reds Bare Vast Results Of Big Push

900,000 Germans Killed, 98,000 Captured; 9,900 Planes Destroyed

Marshal Stalin's long-awaited grand summary of the great Russian campaign which began in July was flashed to the world late last night via Moscow radio and gave the almost incredible news that the Germans had lost 2,700,000 men killed, wounded and taken prisoner.

A total of 900,000 Germans were killed, the summary revealed, with 98,000 Nazis captured.

Declaring that the entire Dnieper River line was now in Russian hands, the statement added that in the crushing offensive that followed the smashing of the Germans' own summer offensive early in July, 15,400 enemy tanks were destroyed or disabled.

A total of 144 enemy divisions, including 28 tank and motorized divisions, were routed in this liberation of the entire Ukraine on the east bank of the Dnieper, which carried the Red Army between 190 and 290 miles to the west.

Destroyed were 9,900 planes, 890 armored cars, 13,000 guns, 13,000 trench mortars, 50,000 machine-guns, 60,500 motor vehicles and more than 300 railway locomotives.

Further summing up results of the Moscow radio, Stalin's summary said that over 38,000 inhabited places, including 162 sizeable towns, had been liberated in recaptured territory amounting to approximately 150,000 square miles.

Telling the revealing tale of the enormous booty which has fallen into Russian hands, the Moscow broadcast said that 281 aircraft, 2,300 tanks, 6,800 guns and 6,180 trench mortars had been captured.

The most important lateral railways again were in Russian hands, the summary said, significantly adding that this would enable large operations to be undertaken in the future.

This news came as strong Russian forces stood poised on long stretches of the lower Dnieper last night, preparing for a crossing which might sever all escape routes and bottle up every remaining Nazi within the great Dnieper Bend.

There was still no indication that the Russians had crossed the river in its southernmost reaches, but Moscow dispatches said that Red Army units were set for the next blow of their great offensive which already has sealed off the Crimea and smashed to pieces the German front in southern Russia.

From newly captured Kakhova, Red Army commanders could see the towns of vital Berislav and Zmicka across the river. At many other points along the lower Dnieper the Russians were at the banks after having driven through enemy pockets of resistance. Farther up the river to the northeast, a large force of Germans was fighting hard to prevent a Russian breakthrough to Nikopol.

Hold Open Escape Gap

The latter town and Krivoi Rog are two gateposts to the German escape gap from the Dnieper Bend, and it was expected the enemy would battle to the last to hold the bottleneck open. Nikopol (Continued on page 4)

Soviet Invasion Worries Nazis

ALEXANDRIA, Nov. 4 (BUP)—Fear of a Russian invasion of Germany is still the greatest fear of the Germans, according to most of the 1,046 former prisoners-of-war, most of them Dominion troops, who arrived at Alexandria today from Barcelona in the S.S. Cuba.

Many of the men had been captured in Greece or Crete, and many of them had spent two and a half years in German prison camps.

Germans no longer have any illusions about the outcome of the war, they said, adding that the enemy's morale is deteriorating daily.

Bombings of German cities have made a deep impression, and so have the defeats of Tunisia and Sicily, but the predominant fear is still of a Russian invasion.

Lib Pilot of Circus Becomes a 'Mayor'



After a crew of a Lib from Ted's Travelling Circus was shot down in Sardinia, townspeople feted them and made the pilot honorary "mayor." Here 1/Lt. and "Mayor" John A. Fino, of Martinez, Cal., shows a gift revolver to his crew: Maj. Kenneth Caldwell, of Kansas City; S/Sgt. E. S. Smith, of Grand Seline, Tex.; 1/Lt. Norbert Gebhard, of Sheboygan Falls, Wis.; T/Sgt. B. P. Greely, of Hamilton, Mass.; T/Sgt. P. A. Swetz, of Pittsburgh, and Sgt. W. S. Nessler, of Pittsburgh.

Ted's Travelling Circus Marks 'Anniversary' Over Germany

By Richard Wilbur
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Some details of the strange odyssey of Ted's Travelling Circus, the Liberator group which has jabbed the Germans from a greater succession of places than probably any other military unit in the war, were permitted for release yesterday.

The fabulous "now-you-see-us-now-you-don't" schedule of the group was allowed publication after the Circus boys took part in the Eighth Air Force's biggest raid Wednesday.

Strike Settled; Miners Return

Win \$8.50 Per Day Wage In Lewis-Ickes Pact; Wilkes-Barre Revolt

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4—A large majority of the nation's 530,000 striking coal miners were reported on their way back to their jobs today after John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, announced negotiation of a "satisfactory" wage agreement with Fuel Administrator Harold L. Ickes and instructed his union to resume production "at the earliest possible moment."

Signs of a revolt against Lewis' leadership appeared in the hard coal regions, however, and all but 1,000 of the Pennsylvania anthracite miners remained idle. One colliery spokesman said the men would not return until they received a full explanation of the wage agreement.

The contract, which gave Lewis three-quarters of his original demand, will remain in force as long as the government retains control of the mines. It provides a basic wage of \$8.50 a day, instead of the \$8.12 offered by the War Labor Board. Provision also was made for portal-to-portal pay when the work week exceeds 40 hours. In a union concession, the miners agreed to cut their lunch hour from a half-hour to 15 minutes.

Although WLB must approve the contract, approval was expected to be automatic as Ickes apparently acted with the approval of President Roosevelt.

The walkout ended just in time to prevent a major crisis in America's war production program. Steel mills and a number of great industrial organizations on war contracts had already reduced their operations because of dwindling coal stocks.

Chinese Say Japs Used Gas in Recent Battle

CHUNGKING, Nov. 4 (AP)—A charge that the Japanese used poison gas in the battle in the central Yangtze now raging around Tungting lake, was made by the Chinese high command today.

The high command said that the Japs resorted to this method of war near Manhsien, 70 miles south of the former Yangtze treaty port of Shasi.

4,000 Tons Dropped By USAAF and RAF In a Day and Night

War Secretary Confirms 1,000 U.S. Planes Struck Wilhelmshaven and Airfields; Crews Praise Fighter Support

The combined American-British aerial operations against Germany and its occupied countries on Wednesday constituted the greatest single round-the-clock air offensive in the history of warfare, statements made in Washington and London indicated last night.

Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson declared in Washington yesterday that the Eighth Air Force's assaults Wednesday against Wilhelmshaven, Germany, and Nazi airfields in France and Holland, in which he said more than 1,000 planes took part, was the "greatest daylight aerial operation in history."

Simultaneously the British Air Ministry announced that the tonnage of bombs dropped by the USAAF in its daylight raids and by the RAF in its subsequent blows at Dusseldorf, Cologne and other targets was the heaviest ever to be hurled at Germany and its occupied territories in any 24-hour period.

Isernia Seized; Nazis Give Way On Whole Front

Driven Out of Massico Line as Allies Capture Strategic Base

ALLIED HQ, North Africa, Nov. 4 (AP)—Isernia, strategic Nazi base dominating a whole network of roads in the central Italy battle zone, fell to Allied troops late today after a ten-mile advance in 36 hours.

The vital junction was wrested from its German defenders after a day that saw some of the most important Allied gains in weeks.

Beaten out of the strongest defense line they had yet established in two months of fighting in Italy, German armies facing the Fifth Army retreated along both main roads to Rome with British and American troops in close pursuit.

The loss of Isernia cut off the German left flank, facing the Eighth Army, from lateral communications with other enemy forces facing the Fifth. At the same time it put the Allies astride the Vasto-Venafro road and the railway from Venafro to Sulmona.

Both the Fifth and the Eighth Armies smashed forward on almost all sectors of their broad Italian front, driving the Germans westward from their last strongholds on Mount Massico ridge, advancing nine miles along the vital inland road from Boiano towards Isernia and forcing new crossings of the Trigno river despite bitter enemy resistance.

A savage battle raged around the Eighth Army's original bridgehead over the Trigno near San Salvo, where the Nazis threw tanks and artillery into a furious attempt to hold Gen. Montgomery's troops.

At least 20 Mark IV special tanks took part in desperate but futile counterattacks aimed at preventing the British

Long-Range Fighter Escorts Lauded as Bomber Savors

Fortress and Liberator crews back from Wednesday's record daylight attack on Wilhelmshaven gave out with a flood of well chosen words of praise yesterday for the potent Lightnings and Thunderbolts and said that the raid gave poignant proof that the long-range, Nazi-chasing fighters were the solution to more effective bombing and less costly raids.

The twin-engined, twin-boomed P38s, doing their first escort job for British-based heavies, and the powerful Thunderbolts furnished protective cover for the B17s and B24s all the way to the target, 380 miles east of London and Germany's most important naval base on the North Sea. They shot down 16 enemy planes between them at a cost of two of their own, and brought back the largest single force of heavies ever dispatched by Eighth Bomber Command with the loss of only five.

"It was the finest example of teamwork among American forces," enthused Col.

Howard Turner, of Avoca, Ia., commander of a bomb division.

Lightnings also were credited by fliers with being the answer to the Luftwaffe's new rocket shells "and everything else the Germans have."

Armed with four .50-caliber machine-guns and one 20mm. cannon, the P38s more than lived up to their nickname. Lightnings, said Sgt. Oscar Moulton, ball turret gunner from Lafayette, La. Moulton would like to meet the Lightning pilot whom he said was responsible for him being around to tell about it.

"A Focke-Wulf came after us after I ran out of ammunition, and I thought I was a goner," he said. "It came within 600 yards of us when a P38 came in beautifully on the other side and intercepted him, otherwise I wouldn't be here."

Sgt. Garner (Bucky) Walters, radio gunner from Broadway, N.J., went over-

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Four thousand tons of high explosives and incendiaries, the Ministry said, were dropped in the day and night assaults. Nearly half, it disclosed, had been dumped by the USAAF.

Meanwhile, crew members of returning Liberators and Flying Fortresses, which formed "the largest number of heavy bombers ever dispatched in daylight," reported that the target areas in Wilhelmshaven were covered with bombs and that both fighter and anti-aircraft opposition was the lightest encountered on recent missions. They were loud in their praise of the P47s and P38s, which shepherded them to and from the target.

Only five heavy bombers, two medium bombers and three fighters failed to return from the day's operations in which 48 Nazi planes were recorded as destroyed by the Liberators, Flying Fortresses, Marauders, P47 Thunderbolts, P38 Lightnings and Spitfires engaged in the attacks.

Judging by the strength of previous USAAF forces, unofficial reports estimated that more than 500 heavy bombers might have taken part in the raids on Wilhelmshaven and other northwest German targets—a force equal to that sent by the RAF on some of its night raids.

Several hours after the "greatest ever" USAAF raids the Royal Air Force followed up with an attack in great strength on Dusseldorf and the Air Ministry said that early reports indicated that the "bombing was concentrated and effective." A small RAF force also attacked Cologne and Mosquitos bombed objectives in the Ruhr and Rhineland. Nineteen planes were lost in the operations.

At his press conference, Stimson intimated that even more aerial activity soon would be carried out over France and Holland by "the steadily increasing" U.S. and British air forces. He also said that the new 15th Air Force was organized for the strategic bombardment of the Mediterranean, Southern France and Austria.

Bombing 'Looked Good'

Commenting on the Wilhelmshaven raid, 1/Lt. Thomas J. Hester, of Woodland, Ala., lead bombardier in a Fortress formation, said: "The bombing looked good from where I sat. The wings dropped their explosives with real precision, and we covered a good-sized area down below. Those fighters gave us a perfect chance to let the bombs go."

S/Sgt. Joseph P. Obici, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., a Liberator tail gunner, told interviewers the flak was "the lightest I've ever seen," while Sgt. Monroe Muffer, of Lititz, Pa., a Liberator waist gunner, said: "It was a hell of a swell sight. Nothing but Libs and Forts all the way and plenty of fighters, too."

Capt. Marvin D. Lord, of Milwaukee, Wis., a squadron commander and Fortress (Continued on page 4)

Righted Normandie Quits Pier First Time in 4 Years

NEW YORK, Nov. 4—The former French luxury liner Normandie, rusty, splattered with mud and shorn of her superstructure, but still majestic, left her pier for the first time in four years.

Recently righted by salvage experts, the great liner, which capsized after being swept by fire Feb. 9, 1942, was towed downstream from her Hudson River pier by 20 tugs. Her destination was a secret, but she was believed bound for drydock to be refitted as the transport USS Lafayette.

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Hash Marks

Heard in a British court: "My wife seems to have lost her cooking skill since she started going regularly to a British restaurant." No comment.

Take heed, lads. Dropping from a speedy Army Transport Plane thousands

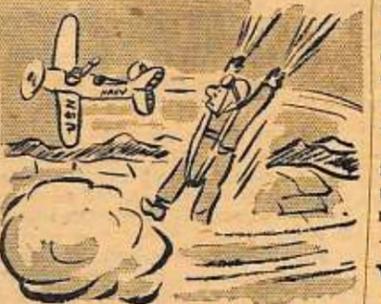


of feet in the sky is all in the day's work for Pvt. Edward E. Arthur of the paratroops. But as he stepped to the license counter in the Cincinnati court house to buy a marriage licence, he keeled over in a dead faint.

It's a Small World Department. Lt. Commander John Fitzpatrick, of the Navy Department, who is touring the Ceylon-Burma-India Theater as an observer, recently broke all records for travelling to meet his landlord—12,000 miles. Reporting at Tenth Air Force Headquarters, Fitzpatrick came to attention before Brig. Gen. Howard C. Davidson. The first few minutes of conversation revealed that Fitzpatrick and his family, residing in Maryland, are renting a house owned by Davidson. "If you are here the first of the month, you can just pay me," Davidson quipped. Not to be outdone, the lieutenant commander fired the parting shot, "Say, if you don't mind, the wife would like to have the living room papered."

Unusual incident on the home front. The mysterious disappearance of 30-month-old John Rohrer, of Canton, Ohio, has been cleared up. The baby fell into his father's corn binder and came out later bound up by twine in a bundle of grain. Rushed to the hospital, docs say he will recover.

Nineteen-year-old David P. Schofield is a Naval aviation cadet and he's learning to fly the hard way. His third day out



he was flying at 4,000 feet and the instructor asked for a spin. Dave gave it a spin—such a good spin that before he knew it he was soloing. He circled the parachuting instructor on the way down and made a safe landing.

Overheard in the blackout. A slightly exasperated feminine voice commenting, "I'm surprised the army gave YOU a medal for good conduct." J. C. W.

For Prodigal GI's Return: A Short Guide to the U.S.

NEW YORK, Nov. 4 (AP)—American soldiers needn't worry about getting readjusted to conditions at home when they return from the wars abroad. Sgt. Leon D. Held has it all figured out for them.

Sgt. Held, 24, was a radio operator for the Associated Press' shortwave listening post at North Castle, N.Y., before the Army picked him up and set him down in the Southwest Pacific war theater.

There, in due time, he came across the War Department's various short guides for soldiers, advising them to refrain from criticism of cricket, the King and currency in England; to boil their drinking water in China; to eat with the right hand only and be generous with cigarettes in Africa. "But they aren't going to stay away

American war veterans, who in turn had to listen to the Civil War veterans.

"In some parts of the United States, eggs in powdered form are unobtainable, and you will have no choice but to eat them directly from the shell. However, it is always advisable to boil them first. In the rural districts it is also difficult to get dried vegetables owing to a lack of dehydrating equipment.

"You may be shocked to see beets, turnips and potatoes displayed in the market in their natural state, with bits of garden soil still clinging to them. Yet when mashed and properly prepared, these vegetables can be quite palatable. The natives seem to thrive on them.

"In churches and auditoriums and other public places you will often see



forever," Sgt. Held wrote his ex-boss. "When they return, accustomed as they are to behavior governed by the printed page, they may not find it easy to adapt themselves to our quaint ways.

"That is why I have compiled the following list of do's and don'ts for the returning soldier, to be included in a handbook entitled 'A Short Guide to the United States.'

"Americans usually open a conversation by asking, 'Well, what's new?' It is not necessary to reply to this except by saying, 'Well, what's new with you?'

"The monetary system is rather confusing. Regardless of their denomination, five, ten and 20 dollar bills are all the same size. A nickel (worth only five cents) is almost twice as large as a dime (worth ten cents). Two-dollar bills are tabu and the natives are extremely superstitious about them.

"Listen patiently when veterans of the first World War tell you how much tougher things were in their day. Remember they had to listen to the Spanish-

women surreptitiously slipping their feet out of their shoes and wiggling their toes. This is strictly a feminine prerogative, and has no religious significance. Do not attempt to imitate them. Always be tactful. If, for example, you notice that your Aunt Beulah has had her extra chin removed by plastic surgery, don't congratulate her. This operation is known as 'losing face' and the natives are very sensitive about it.

"But after all, the best way to understand the Americans is to settle down and actually live with them. They are really a very friendly people despite the apparent ferocity of their handshakes and their violent backslapping. They mean well. Remember their civilization is much younger than that of Europe and Asia. They are just great big overgrown children at heart and should be treated as such.

"In fact, any woman under 35 may safely be addressed as 'baby,' and when you can do that, buddy, you know you are home again."

Wartime Fort Benning Is 'Lab' For Development of New Weapons

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4—Fort Benning, "home of the infantry school" and long the testing ground for new ideas and new equipment in warfare, has introduced greater realism and more toughness into its training courses. The men back from the wars, headed

by Maj. Gen. Charles Bonesteel, former commander in Iceland, instruct officers, officer candidates and enlisted men in the basic principles of war and in infantry weapons and tactics.

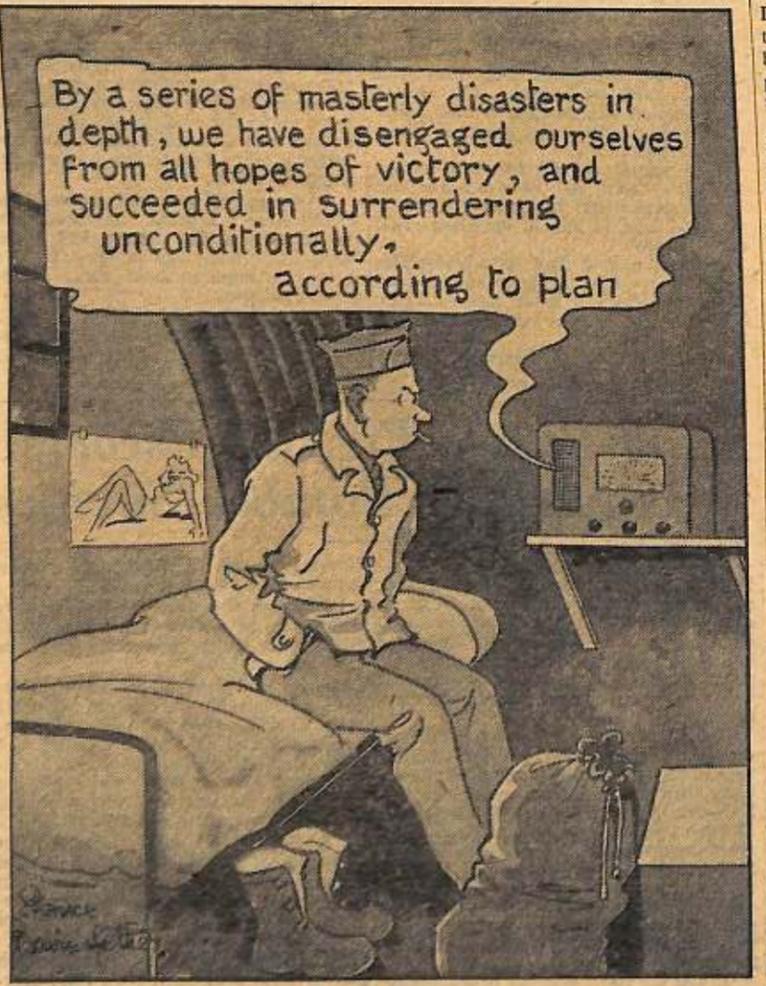
The foot-slogging Doughboy has had relatively little acclaim to this war. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's recent tribute to the infantryman—now bearing the main burden of fighting in Italy—as the indispensable member of the fighting team was sweet music to Fort Benning's ears.

Benning is the laboratory where many infantry tactics and techniques are developed in peacetime. In wartime the major lessons are learned on the battlefield, but Benning absorbs, studies and correlates all lessons learned in all theaters and teaches its students the latest approved technique. The infantry board aids development of new weapons and new equipment.

The American infantryman already is equipped with almost a score different weapons but new developments require constant experimentation and development. New types of high fold-down army boots are intended to eliminate cumbersome canvas leggings, new frequency modulation radios, new rifles, machine-guns, and rocket launchers are among devices constantly being tested.

One of the relatively new developments is the infantry's use of an accompanying gun—the 105mm. "sawed off" howitzer, a modification with a shortened barrel of the field artillery howitzer. This light weapon, weighing only about 1,394 kilograms complete, is used for direct fire by the infantry and can be hauled or manhandled into position in extreme forward areas. It has a low silhouette and is quite mobile yet it can fire a 15 to 17 kilogram projectile almost 3,000 meters. Six of these powerful weapons and two .50 caliber machine-guns manned by about 118 officers and men are organized into a cannon company.

New or modified types of primemovers and trucks also are issued to the services. A powerful eight inch howitzer can be pulled at a maximum speed of 52 kilometers hourly by a powerful new 18-ton Allis-Chalmers tractor. There are new Dodge trucks with larger bodies—three-quarters ton and a one and one-half ton six-wheeled 6 x 6 that is used as a personnel carrier and primemover for 105mms. and the new 57mm. anti-tank gun.



A Lead from the Senate

The New York Times said yesterday: "The Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate has approved the addition to the Connally Resolution of the gist of Point Four of the Moscow Agreements, which declares that the four powers 'Recognize the necessity of establishing at the earliest practicable date a general international organization' for the maintenance of peace and security. This action would follow the proposal of Senator Glass of Virginia, one of the wisest of our elder statesmen, and respond to an unmistakable wave of popular support of the four power declaration.

"It would associate the Senate with the action in Moscow and thereby acknowledge in formal fashion that the formula accepted by the other governments is in reality an American formula, the expression of our war aims and our peace policy. Not an American policy only, but a world policy, is in the making."

The reaction to the Moscow declaration in both Allied and enemy countries clearly indicates that it is recognized as the basis of a new international order. Should the Senate now adopt the Moscow Charter as its own, in whole or in part, it will mean that Uncle Sam's name has been signed to an agreement which pledges the United States of America to the development of an international policy of "collaboration" for peace.

Motor Fuel

The U.S. Office of War Information has issued some details of the vast proportion of the production of American motor fuel used by the United Nations directly for war. In their enumeration of its many uses in the field are included interesting sidelines; for example, fuel to operate blood plasma-refrigerators, for cooking troop meals, and for generators used in operating AA location instruments and searchlights.

But it is the direct part fuel plays in modern warfare that is most interesting. No less than 80 times more is needed per day in this war as in the last.

The requirements for fighting aircraft and bombers are obvious. But the air force also needs fuel to operate the equipment used in constructing and maintaining airfields. In North Africa 130 airfields were repaired, expanded or constructed in the first 30 days of the operation.

Navy needs are equally obvious, and these include fuel for machinery used in operating ports.

For any large land operation the need for motor fuel has expanded tremendously. Strategically the power of moving armies over large distances and effecting enormous concentrations of men and weapons is entirely due to motor fuel. There could be no better example than the success of the Russian advance southward across the Dnieper. A great army in battle has received its day-to-day requirements from railheads a hundred miles away because motor transport and fuel in vast quantities were available.

Tactically every modern weapon needs motor fuel to get it to the field of battle and keep it operating once it is in action. As a result, motor fuel has become the life blood of the modern military machine and a very great part of the needs of the Allies is provided by the United States of America. Every gallon so contributed shortens the war.

U-Boats in October

The Germans claim that for the month of October their Navy and the Luftwaffe together sank 301,700 tons of shipping. They also claim that out of an additional 100,000 tons seriously damaged the greater part may be presumed sunk.

For October, 1942, the Germans claimed that 720,000 tons were sunk by the German Navy alone.

It is interesting to note that the claim for October, 1943, comes on top of a September claim totalling 315,000 tons, whereas the October, 1942, claim came on top of a September claim of over one million tons. These figures alone show the way in which the German propagandists have been forced, not to bring their claims into relation with reality, but at least to bring them into relation with what the German public must consider to be something more akin to the kind of effect that the U-boats are now having on the war.

Notes from the Air Force

LEGENDS of "ghost ships" have been multiplying lately. The crew of the Fort, We'll Never Know, bailed out of Germany on the Schweinfurt raid and plane carried on alone. The Fort sailed on with its automatic flight control equipment, unspotted at first by fighters but as it got farther from the formation the German planes left the main formation and concentrated their efforts on the unmanned ship.

The crew of the B17, Argonaut, bailed out over England on the same raid and sent their ship back in the direction of Germany, although the pilot's opinion that the gasoline left in it wouldn't take it far on the road to Berlin.

Sgt. Robert Stickney, B26 gunner, is looking for the German bullet with the other half of his number on it. He's got one with the first half. Stickney who comes from Ashtabula, Ohio, dug high-explosive machine-gun slug out of the framework beside him after a mission to France. The slug, which had failed to go off, bore the number: 1532. Stickney's ASN is 15329055.

"HOW to Become an Ace in Six E Lessons," could be the title for the log book of Capt. Walter C. Beckham of De Funiak Springs, Fla. Capt. Beckham destroyed six German planes in trips across the channel.

On each of his first three escort missions Capt. Beckham destroyed one German plane. On his fourth and fifth he nosed around through the stratosphere over France and Germany without shooting at anything. The sixth operation was Beckham's big day—he destroyed 11 German fighter planes before running out of ammunition.

2/Lt. Louis E. Wetzel, of Cleveland, co-pilot of the B17, Devil's Daughters, probably set an ETO record before finally went down on the Munster raid last month. He completed 15 missions in a little more than six weeks. Wetzel who used to be a shipbuilder in Cleveland, has been reported missing in action.

In a one-room English schoolhouse Sgt. Walter W. Voss, of Perry, Okla., put into practice the theory he learned at Oklahoma A. and M. V. took his BS degree in education into the Army before he had an opportunity to teach. A school teacher in the small village near Voss's fortress station, however, invited the 26-year-old sergeant one of her classes and he lectured on children on American education systems.

Major Hockey Loop Grab Hits 'Amateurs' Hard

Scouts Picking Up Roller Skate Puck Pushers For Ice Teams

NEW YORK, Nov. 4—They're rationing ice hockey for this new season. There'll still be the usual number of games and the usual quota of fights, but as for the actual play—well, with most of the stars off to the wars, the quality of the stick-work definitely will be on the doubtful side. At the present time, in order to get somebody on the ice to push the puck around, it appears that the magnates will play both ends against the middle by using boys under 18 and old men over 40 who are left behind.

With the National League grabbing players who formerly would be in the amateur ranks—an amateur in hockey being one who received \$30 a week or less for playing—the amateur leagues are now so hard put for players that they probably will be going out onto the highways and byways lassoing innocent kids on roller skates.

Skate Before They Walked

Back in the good old days when talent was plentiful the hockey magnates used to say that only Canada and a few of our northernmost states where the winters are long and cold could produce top-notch hockey players. They argued that the only way to develop a good puck-pusher was to grab him while he was still in the cradle and teach him to skate before he could even toddle. Then let him spend so much of his life on steel runners that skating became second nature to him. But now, with the manpower shortage, the hockey seers are changing their minds. The kids from the sidewalks of New York who play shinny on roller skates are all potential Neil Colvilles (until after the war, of course, when the supply will again exceed the demand).

It's getting to be so tough to line up suitable material for the amateur hockey games at Madison Square Garden that the New York Rovers, one of the leading "amateur" outfits, held special hockey "clinics" at the Brooklyn Ice Palace during October. Formerly it took a decade to develop a hockey player, but hockey's undergone a speed-up too, and the players turned out by this school will be distributed among the teams in the Metropolitan Amateur League. The Metropolitan, incidentally, is a simon-pure amateur organization unlike the Eastern Amateur League.

Same Number of Games

Tonelli still has, as usual, games, as before, with the Metropolitan League meeting every Sunday afternoon in the Garden, and double-headers every Tuesday night in the Brooklyn Ice Palace.

In the Eastern Amateur League, the New York Rovers will have one Saturday night, 16 Sunday afternoons, and three Sunday night dates in the Garden. Present indications are that the Eastern Amateur loop ("amateur" in this sense meaning "payoff-every-Saturday-night-under-the-Queensboro-Bridge") will go through the season as a six-team circuit.

In Baltimore, the Coast Guard Cutters are so jam-packed with top-notch talent from the National League that it has even been suggested they divide themselves into two parts. If this can be done, one part will represent Washington and will play all its home games at the Uline Arena. Other teams in the circuit include the New York Rovers, Philadelphia Falcons, Boston Olympics and New Haven, which has just applied for a franchise.

Jurges Reclassified I-A

ROCKVILLE CENTER, N.Y., Nov. 4—Billy Jurges, 35-year-old Giant shortstop, who has an eight-year-old daughter, has been reclassified I-A by his draft board.

Help Wanted AND GIVEN

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

Miscellaneous

FILM Developing—Many soldiers are sending their film to be developed via the Censor and packing it improperly. Leave the film on the spools or in the cassettes. If you are worried about not having the spool of new container so that you can get a new supply of film, stop worrying—Write a separate letter to Lt. John H. Vogel, Army Pictorial Service, Hq. SOS, at the time you send your film to the center for developing, giving the type name and size of your camera, and he will see to it you get the required container or spool by return mail.

Lost

WRIST WATCH, gold, Hamilton, with brown leather strap, in taxi near Piccadilly Circus, Oct. 31. Capt. A. L. Gjenn, c/o Help Wanted.

Pimlico Futurity Won By Widener's Platter

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 4—George D. Widener's maiden two-year-old, Platter, won the 22nd Pimlico Futurity by a neck over By Jiminy, earning \$33,440.

The two horses were far ahead all along the mile and one-sixteenth. By Jiminy finished eight lengths ahead of Smolensko.

Platter paid \$5.70, \$3.70 and \$3.00. By Jiminy paid \$5.10 and \$3.60 and Smolensko paid \$3.90.

Bertelli Missed Passing Record

Connected 25 Times in 36 Attempts, But Lacked Minimum of 50

NEW YORK, Nov. 4—Tony Butkovich, of Purdue, Angelo Bertelli, of Notre Dame and Bill Daley, of Michigan, each having played their last football game for the duration, are among the individual performance leaders thus far this season.

Butkovich and Daley lead the nation's ball carriers. Butkovich is top man, having played seven games, Daley six. Butkovich gained 833 yards in 142 tries and Daley gained 817 in 120 tries.

Bertelli, had he played out the season, had a chance to set the average pass completion record. He connected in 25 of 36 attempts for an average of .694. The record of .637 was set in 1940 by Marquette's Jimmy Richardson. Bertelli's record is not counted because a minimum of 50 passes thrown is recognized by the Collegiate Athletic Bureau.

Jimmy Wilson Still Cub Boss

CHICAGO, Nov. 4—The minor league draft was extended to 16 men when the Braves drafted Max Tacon from Montreal in the International League, according to an announcement from Judge Landis' office.

James Gallagher, general manager of the Cubs, when queried about the managerial situation said, "Wilson is still manager of the Cubs." Recent rumors had Bill Sweeney, manager of Los Angeles, of the Pacific Coast League, succeeding Jimmy Wilson. Gallagher continued: "Until such time as a new manager is selected, if any, no announcement will be made."

Wilson was in Chicago for the draft meeting indicating he still has a voice in Cub affairs which he would not have if due for discharge. However, Wilson's voice was unheard at the draft meeting as the Cubs did no drafting.

Landis Visits Ed Barrow, Finds Yankee Boss Fit

NEW YORK, Nov. 4—Kenesaw Mountain Landis, baseball commissioner, slipped in and out of town yesterday to pay a visit to Ed Barrow, Yankee president convalescing in New Rochelle hospital. Throughout the years, Barrow and Landis have shouted at each other in language both understandable, but remain close friends. Landis is 78 and Barrow 75.

"Why, the old so-and-so looks in better shape than John L. Sullivan in his prime," said Landis before boarding the train returning to Chicago.

Penn State Ring Coach Seeks Political Post

STATE COLLEGE, Pa., Nov. 4—Leo Hauck, boxing coach for the past 20 years at Penn State, is running for commissioner of Lancaster County.

Asked whether he would quit his coaching job if elected, Hauck said, "I will cross that bridge when I come to it." The former middleweight champ made no speeches, leaving the election to his homefolks, whom he sees weekends.

Hans Crescent Team Wins

The Hans Crescent table team edged out an all-officer combination, 5-4, on the former's tables Wednesday night.

Old Master

Amos Alongo

I STILL CAN'T TELL HOW IT'S GOING TO BOUNCE



HE HAS KEPT AHEAD OF THE TIMES EVEN THOUGH HE BEGAN COACHING BEFORE THE TURN OF THE CENTURY

THIS ONE IS FOR MR. STAGG



HIS COLLEGE OF THE PACIFIC TEACHERS' GIPSETT A HIGHLY FAVORED CALIFORNIA ELEVEN, 12-6

By Pap

STAGG

81 YEARS OLD AND STILL PRODUCING WINNING FOOTBALL TEAMS



OVER 50 YEARS OF COACHING HAS ROBBED HIM OF NONE OF HIS ENTHUSIASM FOR FOOTBALL

DAD



AP Features

Leahy Stresses Army Speed, Calls Tackles Best in Nation

By Lewis Burton

New York Journal-American Sports Writer

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Nov. 4—Frank Leahy's pathological pessimism, a thing of beauty and a joy for ever to connoisseurs of plain and fancy worrying, is quite convincing on the subject of the Army-Notre Dame game. He never permits himself to foresee victory, a fact that makes him more intense and purposeful before a game.

"If Army beats us, nobody should be surprised," he says. "I think Army has better than an even chance to win. That is not an unusual feeling for me before a game, but I feel particularly so now because Army has greater overall speed and personnel.

"Our line is faster than most, but their line is faster than ours. I am willing to bet that Merritt and Stanowicz of the Army are the fastest tackles in the country.

"Our advantage is that we have been using the T formation longer than they have and they are at the same stage of development now that we were last year.

The main weakness of the T is to develop in the backs the willingness to run full tilt into the line whether they know or not that there will be a hole there, and Army backs show no hesitancy whatever in this respect. Maxon is terrific at smashing into a line and Anderson combines speed and deception. On top of that, they have this plebe, Glenn Davis, whom Hughey Davore, who scouted the Army for us, calls the greatest and best back he has ever seen."

It all develops into a question as to which line will be able to move the other so the backs will be able to operate. Notre Dame's forwards, according to an up-to-the-minute weight chart, weigh 201 on the average and the Army line weighs 199. Physically they are much alike and it will come down to technicalities of spacing, defensive alignment, and personal ingenuity.

Eddie Win and Ziggy Czarboski are the unsung heroes of Notre Dame's forward passing attack. They're the ones who have gone out and set that rock-ribbed protection which has permitted Angelo Bertelli's poised pitching all season and they will mean plenty to Johnny Lujack, Bertelli's successor.

Landis Fines Phillies, Penalizes Trenton Club

CHICAGO, Nov. 4—Judge Landis slapped a \$100 fine on the Phillies for an admitted \$1,000 secret payment to Trenton in the Interstate League for assignment of the contract of Pitcher Dale Mathewson.

Landis investigated the agreement between the two clubs, and after fining the Phillies penalized Trenton by declaring George Kadis and Warren Huston free agents.

RPI Loses 8 Gridders

TROY, N.Y., Nov. 4—The RPI football team has been hit hard by the Navy transfer of eight trainee players to new bases. They include Fullback Tex Hughes, Quarterback Bob Chuessler, Ends Harry Schnieder and John Ashmun.

Chicago Best Along Ground

CHICAGO, Nov. 4—The Chicago Bears have asserted themselves as the best ground gaining team in the National Professional Football League this week before their game with the Green Bay Packers, their closest rivals. The Washington Redskins are the best passing team, both in yardage and percentage.

The Bears have gained 385.5 yards a game, while the Packers are more than 30 yards behind with a 352.3-yard a game percentage. In rushing the Bears have a 169-yard average, with Green Bay right at their heels with 164.3.

The passing laurels go to the Washington Redskins, who have a per-game average of 211.2 yards, the Bears 208.3. Washington's average for completions is .432 to the Bears' .523. The Redskins have averaged 41.5 yards a try on their punts.

Col. Matt Winn Honored By Thoroughbred Club

LEXINGTON, Ky., Nov. 4—The Thoroughbred Club of America designated Col. Matt Winn, Kentucky Derby impresario, as "Outstanding turman of the year." Col. Winn will be honored at the club's 12th annual dinner Nov. 13.

"By constantly increasing the value of the purse, Col. Winn has a commendable disposition to pass on to horsemen a proper share of the Churchill Downs profits, and the manner of contributions to charities such as the track's donations to the Red Cross also has set a splendid example," said the citation.

Compulsory Six-Man Line On Defense Advocated

PRINCETON, N.J., Nov. 4—Coach Harry Mahnken, of Princeton, has added his opinion to the rule-changing ideas. Mahnken advocates a compulsory six-man defensive line.

"The rules require that the team on the offense shall have seven men on the line," Mahnken said. "My proposal is that we adopt a similarly stabilized defensive formation."

Mahnken said his proposal would result in more scoring, but would not affect the outcome.

Hutson, Canadeo Lead Scorers, Ground Gainers

Packer End Also Paces Circuit Pass Receivers

NEW YORK, Nov. 4—Tony Canadeo of the Green Bay Packers has regained the ball carrying honors in the National Professional Football League and his team mate, Don Hutson, has taken over his accustomed top spot among the pass catchers and scorers.

Chicago Bear Quarterback Sid Luckman has retained his passing lead over Sammy Baugh of the Washington Redskins despite Baugh's record-breaking performance last Sunday. Luckman's lead is due to the fact that the Bears have played two more games than the Redskins.

In 63 attempts along the ground, Canadeo has picked up 339 yards for a 5.3 average. His longest gain was a 35-yard run. Harry Clark of the Chicago Bears is second best among the ground gainers with 327 yards in 68 attempts, an average of 4.8 yards. Grigas of the Cardinals is next, 250 yards on 71 plunges, a 3.8 per centage. Butler of the Steagles and Bill Paschal of the Giants round out the top five. The Steagle back has picked up 237 yards on 44 tries for a 5.4 average while Paschal has made 208 on 73 attempts for a 2.8 average.

Pulled Down 23 Passes

In leading the pass catchers, Hutson has pulled down 23 tosses for a total gain of 328 yards and five touchdowns. Wilbur Moore of the Washington Redskins has caught 20 heaves for 424 yards and six scores. Harry Jacumski of the Packers has received 17 for 350 yards and two touchdowns. Harry Clark of the Bears has gained 328 yards on 15 passes to rack up two touchdowns while Eddie Rucinski of the Cards has scored two touchdowns and gained 255 yards on 15 catches.

Over in the scoring department, Hutson has tallied 54 points on five touchdowns, 21 conversions and one field goal. Paschal has done almost as well, racking up eight touchdowns for 48 points. Harry Hopp, of the Detroit Lions, and Moore are tied at 42 points each on seven scores, while Andy Farkas has 36 points on six tallies.

Along the airways, Luckman has completed 62 passes in 110 tries for 1,189 yards gained and 14 touchdowns, an average of .564. Baugh has thrown 94 passes, completing 52 for 811 yards and 14 scores, a .551 average. Third high is Irv Comp, of the Packers, with 26 passes hitting the mark out of 42 tries for 331 yards, three touchdowns and a .619 percentage. Ronnie Cahill, of the Cardinals, has an average of .493 on 32 completions in 65 attempts. They were good for 439 yards and two tallies. Emery Nix, of the Giants, has completed 18 out of 32 for 243 yards and one score, a .563 average.

Slide Rule Cops Jamaica Purse

NEW YORK, Nov. 4—Slide Rule, owned by W. E. Boeing, the airplane manufacturer, won the Westchester Handicap, worth \$22,700, at Jamaica yesterday.

Slide Rule, well back during the early racing, drew ahead and away at the stretch. Boissy ran second. Boissy stayed back in the early part of the race and closed fast, but not fast enough, and finished four lengths back. First Fiddle ran three lengths behind Boissy.

Slide Rule paid \$6.70, \$3.80 and \$2.60. Boissy paid \$4.80 and \$2.80 and First Fiddle paid \$2.60.

Trosky Will Play Again; Indians May Trade Him

CLEVELAND, Nov. 4—The Cleveland Indian management has announced the return to the active list of Hal Trosky, first baseman, who has been retired since the end of the 1941 season due to chronic migraine headaches.

Trosky notified the club from his Norway, Iowa, farm that he is fully recovered, and asked to be returned to the active list. The club complied, but Trosky is likely to be trade bait rather than an Indian player.

McSpaden, Nelson Slated For Benefit Golf Junket

NEW YORK, Nov. 4—Fred Corcoran, tournament manager of the Professional Golfers' Association, has announced a war relief benefit junket for Jug McSpaden and Byron Nelson.

Five 36-hole matches are on the trip starting Saturday at Pinehurst, N.C., Sunday at Greensboro, N.C., Nov. 13 at Dallas, Texas, Nov. 20 at Seattle, Nov. 27 at Los Angeles, and Dec. 4 at San Francisco.

Savold, Mauriello Wind Up

NEW YORK, Nov. 4—Tami Mauriello and Lee Savold have finished their training for Friday night's ten-rounder at Madison Square Garden. Savold boxed two rounds and weighed 192. Mauriello went three rounds and weighed 190.

LIZABETH

AN DIDN'T HAVE TH' TEN CENTS T'PAY THET TRAMP GENNILLMAN FO' TH' FEARLESS FOSDICK' FUNNY-BOOK—SO HE WERE POLITE 'NUFF TH' T'GO AN' CHANGE TH' \$1000. BILL AH GAVE HIM WHILE AH WAITED HYAR. HE WILL BE BACK SOON. NO DOUBT.

MIDNIGHT

PORE FELLA—HE MUS' BE HAVIN' A HARD TIME GITTIN' TH' CHANGE ?? OH, TH' KINE-HEARTED THINGS FOLKS LIKE HIM DO FO' FOLKS LIKE ME!!

DAWN

AH WONDERS EF HE'D FEEL HURT EF AH DON'T WAIT ANY LONGER, AH'LL LEAVE A NOTE FO' HIM ON THIS LAMP-POST, A POLLY-GIZIN' AN' EXPLAIN- IN'!

Dere Suh:

Ah gotta meander home naminly to Dog patch. When yo returns wif the correct change fer mah thousand dollah bill please tak out yore 10 cents an maie the remains to me. Thank yo Lie Abner Yokum age 18 writ by hand

U.S. Fliers Halt Convoy Enroute To Bougainville

15 Jap Ships, 85 Planes Destroyed in Blow At Rabaul

ALLIED HQ, Southwest Pacific, Nov. 4—U.S. bombers and fighters yesterday smashed Japanese preparations for a counter-blow in the Bougainville area with another crushing attack at Rabaul which cost them 15 ships sunk and 85 aircraft destroyed.

The American fliers caught a supply convoy and its warship escort in the snug Rabaul harbor and broke through murderous anti-aircraft barrage to wreck a major part of the fleet. Two heavy cruisers also were badly damaged with direct hits besides 11 other merchant vessels.

The air battle, called the fiercest since the Battle of Bismarck Sea, saw eight Jap float-type planes and two four-engined flying boats sunk and 67 enemy fighters shot down over and near the target.

Allied losses were nine bombers and ten fighters.

A significant point of the raid was that much of the shipping in the harbor had just arrived from Truk in the Caroline Island, 800 miles from Rabaul, indicating that even before the raid the Jap sea position in the Bougainville area was comparatively weak to the U.S.

Fliers returning from Rabaul said the Japs had heavily reinforced their battered base with hundreds of planes and an effective screen of anti-aircraft fire, in a desperate attempt to protect the supply ships which were probably en route to Bougainville.

On Bougainville itself Marine assault forces consolidated and enlarged their beachhead and killed 135 Japs. Torpedo-bombers acted in direct support and shot down 21 fighters and one bomber and probably destroyed six other planes. Naval planes operating off Buka carried out a third attack on the island's two airports, concentrating 28 tons of bombs on revetment, dispersal and supply areas and gun positions, and thoroughly strafing the area. Four enemy bombers were destroyed or damaged on the ground.

Circus - - -

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Ohio, led the Circus on the Ploesti raid and was lost. The Circus has been commanded since August by Col. Leland Feigel, of Rochester, Minn. Col. Timberlake was made a division commander last May.

The Circus flew back here and joined in two raids from the ETO in early September. Later it popped up in the Mediterranean theater again, raiding Corsica.

Aside from their other accomplishments, the Circus performers figure they've probably kept more German intelligence officers tied up tracing their movements than any other air unit in history.

The Circus numbers among its crews Capt. Gerald Ahlquist, a navigator, who was born in Assam, India, and never saw the United States until he was 23 years old, and the only Japanese-American gunner known—T/Sgt. Ben Kuroki, of Hershey, Neb. As soon as he completed one tour of duty, Kuroki applied for another, and has special hopes for future travels of the Traveling Circus. He wants to bomb Tokyo.

The Liberator group commanded by Col. Leon Johnson, of Moline, Kan., who holds the Congressional Medal of Honor for "gallantry" during the raid on the Ploesti oilfields, has joined the Circus on most of its travels. Another group led by Col. Jack Wood, of March Field, Cal., joined in the Ploesti raid.

American Forces Network

Operated by Radio Branch, Special Service Division, SOS, ETO

1402 kc. On Your Dial 1420 kc. 213.9m. 211.3m.

- Friday, Nov. 5
- 1100—GI Five.
- 1115—Hi, Neighbor.
- 1130—Strictly "GI."
- 1200—Curtain call.
- 1230—Downbeat—Freddie Slack and his Orchestra.
- 1300—World News (BBC).
- 1310—Serenade.
- 1315—War Commentary (BBC).
- 1330—Joe Louis and his Orchestra (BBC).
- 1400—Sign off until 1745 hours.

- 1745—Program Résumé and Spotlight Band—Bob Sherwood.
- 1800—World News (BBC).
- 1810—Personal Album.
- 1825—GI Supper Club.
- 1900—Sports—Presented by The Stars and Stripes.
- 1905—Tribute to George M. Cohan.
- 1930—Comedy Caravan.
- 2000—News from Home—Nightly roundup of news from the U.S.A. presented by The Stars and Stripes.
- 2010—Fred Waring Program.
- 2015—Alamain to Tunis (BBC).
- 2025—Miniature.
- 2030—Tommy Dorsey Show.
- 2100—World News (BBC).
- 2110—Hoppy Norman and his Guitar.
- 2120—Charlie McCarthy Program—with Edgar Bergen.
- 2145—Hi Bits.
- 2150—Suspense!
- 2220—Final Edition.
- 2230—Sign off until 1100 hours Saturday, Nov. 6.

Father Seeks 3 Sons Also Serving in ETO

Calling the Kilgus boys—Carl N. John E. and Charles W.—from Richmond, Indiana. Your dad, T/4 Carl A. Kilgus, serving with an Engineers outfit, has been in the ETO six months and he says he knows you're here too, but he's tried in vain to find you, and after combing the home-town registers of Red Cross clubs for clues he's asked The Stars and Stripes to help.

The couple of letters from home that have managed to catch up with T/4 Kilgus haven't included the sons' ETO addresses.

Pop Kilgus, 48, is a veteran of the Pancho Villa insurrection and the last war, in which he served 22 months with the Rainbow Division. All three of his sons are in the Air Force—Carl and John he thinks are fliers, Charles a mess sergeant. The Stars and Stripes will be glad to pass on the APOs.

OWI Claims Role In Winning Fleet

Broadcast on SOS Wave Persuaded Italians To Surrender

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4 (AP)—The story of how the U.S. Office of War Information played an important part in winning the Italian fleet over to the Allies was unfolded in the report of the appropriations sub-committee of the U.S. House of Representatives today.

The incident prompted the sub-committee's approval of \$5,000,000 additional funds. Robert Sherwood, director of the OWI overseas division, said that when the Italian government surrendered it was obviously desirable to persuade the Italian Navy to come over to the side of the Allies. A message to the Italian fleet was drafted for broadcast from United Nations radio at Algiers, but hopes of success were not high as there was a strict prohibition aboard Italian ships against listening to foreign broadcasts.

The problem was solved by an OWI engineer who managed to shift the transmitter in Algiers to the international distress wavelength to which all naval vessels of all nations are listening constantly.

The special message to the Italian fleet was broadcast on that frequency every 15 minutes for many hours. It got through.

When the Italian fleet steamed into Malta Adm. Sir Andrew Cunningham told the chief of staff, "Tell Gen. McClure (in charge of psychological warfare for the Allied forces in North Africa) that they have accomplished in one day with propaganda what I have been trying to do for three years with the Navy."

Greatest 24 Hour Air Assault Hurls 4,000 Tons on Enemy

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co-pilot, said that "B17s, B24s and fighters were all over the sky. We must have been spread out for 20 miles when the bombs started dropping. The formation was fairly tight, and I'll bet there was a pretty good concentration of bursts down there. It seemed to me that there was very little flak."

The bombers dropped a greater weight of explosives in Wednesday's raid than in all previous six USAAF attacks on the land-locked North Sea port of 140,000 population, which has been one of the chief operating bases for Nazi U-boats. P47 Thunderbolts and P38 Lightnings destroyed 16 Nazi fighters while escorting the bombers, which shot down 18, all the way to the targets. Five heavy bombers and two fighters were missing from this operation.

Marauder crews reported good bombing results in their attacks on the Tricqueville and St. Andre de l'Eure airfields in France and the Schipol airdrome near Amsterdam. RAF, Dominion and Allied Spitfires, escorting the Marauders, destroyed 12 Nazi fighters, while the B26s shot down two. Two mediums and one fighter were lost.

However, heavy flak was encountered

Keeping Up, Goebbels?



Russian forces have smashed through to near the Dnieper mouth, are on stretches of the lower Dnieper ready to cross, continue pressure within the Dnieper Bend and are pouring into the Crimea from the north and on the Kerch Peninsula.

Nazis Give Way On Italian Front Red Push Costs Nazis 2,700,000

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from expanding their hold on the north-west bank of the river.

But at the end of the day's bloody fighting the Germans had been driven back and Gen. Montgomery had gained some ground and taken a considerable number of prisoners.

The entire Fifth Army and the left wing of the Eighth pushed forward along the whole 40-mile front, extending from the Tyrrhenian Sea coast inland to the vital Isernia road, through the Apennines. The advance on this front varied from five to eight miles in some places.

The entire Massico ridge, massive anchor of the strongly fortified mountain line around which the Germans had hoped to hold back Gen. Mark Clark's troops until winter, was overrun by British and American soldiers routed the German rearguard from their last footholds on San Croce mountain.

By the end of their day's steady rooting out of pockets of resistance and pursuit of enemy rearguards the Allies were astride the main coastal road to Rome

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is the key to the vital escape railway within the bend.

Meanwhile, hard-riding Cossacks had all but ended the battle between the lower Dnieper and the Crimea.

An advance of more than 25 miles in one day brought these Russian spearheads to the wide wastes of sands that lie south of the Dnieper delta. The Cossacks were within six miles of Kherson.

Behind the Cossack spearheads, the main forces of Gen. Tolbukhin's army were moving forward like a solid wall toward the Dnieper mouth and the Black Sea.

To the south, Russian tank units, which had utilized the flat open lands of the Nogaik steppe to race forward and overrun the Perikop Isthmus, were pouring into the Crimea at the rate of from 12 to 30 miles a day. Crack German divisions were described as paralyzed by the strength and speed of the Russian advance.

There still was no word from Moscow of the invasion on the Kerch Peninsula, at the eastern end of the Crimea. But Berlin radio admitted that strong Russian forces had been landed there. The admission came in a statement that said the situation there was "pressing," but not "critical."

With their southern front in utter collapse, the Germans still fought to hold the Krivoi Rog hinge within the Dnieper bend. Violent tank, infantry and air battles have raged there for nine days, and the blazing city was plainly visible to the Russians.

Farther to the north, the Russians were reported to have renewed heavy assaults on encircled Kiev, capital of the Ukraine, while new attacks were opened west of Smolensk and near Gomel, on the White Russian front.

Dispatches indicated that winter already was making icy inroads on the central and northern fronts. With the advent of winter it was difficult, optimistic Moscow dispatches said, to visualize anything but an even speedier Russian advance

Eagle Broadcast to U.S.

Seven men of the Eighth Air Force and one American in the RAF yesterday broadcast to America on the weekly radio program from the Red Cross Eagle Club. Lt. Edward R. Kandel, of Evanston, Ill., was master of ceremonies and introduced Lt. Clifford Clendinnen, Patchogue, L.I., N.Y.; S/Sgt. E. J. Underwood, Denver; John Lauer, West Allis, Wis.; Robert Thoma, Rockville Center, L.I., N.Y., and John Wolf, Elkader, Ia.; Sgt. H. Weddle, Terre Haute, Ind., and Cpl. William Sirica, Waterbury, Conn., all of the Eighth Air Force and Sgt. Albert Gaydos, Gary, Ind., of the RAF.

British Quake in Fear Of Reprisals—Germany

Berlin radio has told its listeners that the people of Britain were shivering in their shoes at the prospect of German reprisals for the Allied air onslaught on the Reich.

This statement was made by German prisoners of war who arrived back in Germany following the recent prisoner exchange, Berlin radio said.

The repatriated prisoners were said to have declared that the British public doubted the effectiveness of the Anglo-American raids, reported poor soldier-civilian morale in Britain, and told of one instance of a mutiny of British soldiers.

Terry and the Pirates



NEWS FROM HOME Wallace Offers Army Post-War Work Promise

Vice President Demands Formulation Now of Plans for Peace

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 4—A promise that American servicemen would not be "let down" after the war was given yesterday by Vice President Henry Wallace in a speech before the annual convention of the Congress of Industrial Organizations.

Wallace called for the formulation now of plans for the conversion from war to peace which would provide "full production and full employment."

"Otherwise," he said, "we shall let loose in this land roving bands seeking food where there is no food, seeking jobs where there are no jobs, and shelter where there is no shelter."

Wallace castigated "selfish interests" who were preparing "to dominate the labor, agricultural and financial policies" of the government and declared that they would not be successful in the attempt "to destroy those sound agencies of the present government which can absorb and cushion the shock of returning soldier millions."

Gen. Hunter Grets Windsor

NEW YORK, Nov. 4 (AP)—A 21-gun salute greeted the Duke of Windsor, who inspected Thunderbolts at Mitchell Field, Long Island, today. The Duke talked with Brig. Gen. Frank O'D. Hunter, who welcomed him.

War Correspondents Honored

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4—Twelve Liberty ships will be named after newspaper and radio correspondents who lost their lives during the present war, the Maritime Commission announced.

Gov. Johnson Has Heart Attack

JACKSON, Miss., Nov. 4—Gov. Paul B. Johnson suffered a severe heart attack at his home in Hattiesburg where he had gone to vote in the general election. The 68-year-old governor was seriously ill last June and it was only recently that his doctor permitted him to visit his Capitol office here.

Yank Sergeant-Gunner Gets DFM From King

T/Sgt. George Ferrell, former Belleville, N.J., tailor, believed to be the first American enlisted man decorated by King George VI, was awarded the British Distinguished Flying Medal during a recent investiture at Buckingham Palace, it was disclosed yesterday.

Ferrell, who transferred from the RCAF to the Eighth Air Force two months ago, earned his award as a Lancaster gunner during a raid on Dortmund.

Escorts - - -

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board for the Lightnings, claiming they are the best ships he has seen, and "there wouldn't be many Forts shot down if we had their escort on all our raids."

One pilot reported he saw four Lightnings chase six FW190s and shoot them all down at the cost of one P38.

The B17, piloted by Lt. David A. Bramble, of Perryville, Md., was crippled over the target when a 20mm. shell from a FW knocked out one of the engines.

"I called the Lightnings on the radio," Bramble said, "and told them there were about eight enemy planes climbing up below us. About a minute and a half later six P38s zoomed by us and cleaned out the German fighters."

Maj. Robert M. Tuttle, of Vallejo, Cal., squadron leader, flying in the B17 Wild Children, said the fighter escort was perfect and gave it credit "for keeping the Huns away."

Lt. Robert Timmer, Liberator co-pilot of "Utah Man" from Grand Rapids, Mich., said he would "like to kiss those fighter pilots. The numerous dog fights," he said, "reminded him of the movies."

Four Thunderbolts came to the rescue of the Liberator, Vagabond Queen, when a FW190 made a pass at it. Capt. Jack McCormack, pilot from Syracuse, N.Y., said the last he saw of the FW it had the quartet of 47s on its tail.

By Milton Caniff