

Big Guns of Metz Still Silent

Churchill Sees Poilus Near Front

By Dan Regan

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE FIRST FRENCH ARMY IN THE VOSGES, Nov. 14—Prime Minister Churchill and Gen. de Gaulle yesterday visited the First French Army front near Belfort, 12 miles from the front lines.

Through mountain valleys shrouded in mists and over roads blanketed and almost obscured by the season's first heavy snowfall, Churchill and de Gaulle drove to the command post of Gen. Jean de Lattre de Tassigny, and from there to a French divisional command post, only a few miles from the German lines. After being briefed on the military situation along that portion of the Sixth Army Group front, the two leaders lunched at the division.

On the tour were Field Marshal Sir Alan Brooke, British chief of staff; Gen. Alfonse Juin, French chief of staff; Andre Diethelm, French war minister, and Mary Churchill, of the ATS, daughter of the Prime Minister.

Didn't Hit Front Lines

In an interview, Miss Churchill said, "We saw many American soldiers in Paris while there the other day, but haven't been to their front-line troops yet."

Asked if she would accompany her father on such a trip, she remarked that she "would like to very much, but I must soon return to my work in England."

The Churchill-de Gaulle motorcade traveled to a French training camp east of Besancon to review former Parisian FFI men. All volunteers, one month ago they were recruits taken from their barricades in the Paris streets.

Also passing in review were elements of French armored units in Sherman tanks and other French units equipped with GI clothes and American automatic weapons, but with a mixed assortment of rifles, some French, some German, some American.

Prime Minister Churchill returned to England from France by air yesterday.

Deal to Control Reich Effectuated

PARIS, Nov. 14 (UP)—The Churchill-de Gaulle talks have resulted in an understanding whereby an international commission will control both the Ruhr and Rhineland after Germany is beaten, it was learned today.

The two Allied leaders also were said to be agreed on the need for a permanent alliance among Britain, France and Russia to form an iron ring around the Reich.

French participation in both the military occupation and in the Allied military government in Germany was reported to have been decided, thus dividing the Reich into four zones to be occupied by American, British, Russian and French forces.

8th Army Bridges Montone River

ALLIED HQ, Italy, Nov. 14 (UP)—Eighth Army troops yesterday swept across the Montone River, southwest of Forli, their 14th such river crossing in the advance up Italy.

They established bridgeheads on the northern bank and pressed into the foothills towards the Lamone River against strong opposition.

Sharp Scheme Goes Flat

Nazis Fill Night With Music, But Yank Guns Twist the Dial

By G. K. Hodenfield

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WITH THE FIRST INF. DIV., Germany, Nov. 14—It was 2200 hours, and very quiet. The artillery had died down, the mortars had stopped and there was no machine-gun or rifle fire.

Without warning came the strong rhythms of "Don't Be That Way," by Benny Goodman's orchestra. Outpost men looked at each other. Men raised up in their foxholes. The general attitude was "Wottin'he gives, anyway?"

The record ended, and a voice with a slight German accent said in English over a loudspeaker system, "Did you Yanks like that one? Stick around, here are a few more." Then followed "St. Louis Blues," "You'll Never Know," "One O'Clock Jump," "Begin the Beguine," and "Dogging Around."

Something Old, Something New



Signal Corps, Keystone Photos

Military science, in easing some of the vicissitudes of war, has produced a bullet-proof suit but has failed to find an antidote for MUD. Picture above shows the mud of war—deep, cold and sticky in the Chateau-Salins area of France. T/5 Nick Lichtfus tries to extricate a wrecker, mired in the muck. On the left, combat engineers who work with bulldozers behind the advance troops wear the bullet-proof suits, which are necessary to "dozer crews who can't hear the enemy, have no foxholes. Left to right: T/5 Lloyd Westergren, Holdreze, Neb. (driver); T/5 Richard Kachelmier, Neypers, Ida.; Pfc Bernard A. Bailey, Oceana, Va., and Sgt. Victor Vanne, Virginia, Minn.

Japs Retake One Palau Isle

Allied planes and warships yesterday hammered Japanese positions on Ngerong Island, in the Palau group east of the Philippines, which the enemy invaded in a desperate attempt to cut U.S. supply lines to the Philippines.

About 200 enemy troops were believed to have taken part in the landing—the first offensive move made by the Japs since U.S. troops took the Palaus two months ago. A small force of U.S. Marines was forced to evacuate, Pearl Harbor dispatches said.

Japanese radio reported that 400 Allied planes hit Manila and Cavite again yesterday and admitted that damage was done to "some Japanese warships."

The Japs also claimed to have sunk an Allied battleship in a "suicide assault."

Along the Gowanus, All Hell Busts Loose

Noel Coward Makes a Crack—Moider da Bum! Yells Brooklyn

BROOKLYN, Nov. 14 (UP)—Anglo-Brooklyn relations sizzled today as irate Brooklynites lashed out at Britain's foremost actor-playwright, Noel Coward, for his reference to Brooklyn soldiers as a bunch of "cry babies."

Coward made the reference in his book, "Middle East Diary," just published in the U.S., in describing his visit to an American hospital in Italy.

"I talked to some tough men from Texas and Arizona," Coward wrote. "They were magnificent specimens. But I was less impressed by some of the mournful little Brooklyn boys lying there in tears, with nothing worse than a bullet wound in the leg or a fractured arm."

Said one Brooklynite, Mike Belmont, who has five sons in the services: "That bum should have a broken arm. I think I'll kill him."

(Coward was reported by his personal secretary in London to be in Paris, where he is to give a servicemen's concert tonight. She said: "Mr. Coward most certainly was misunderstood. I can't understand why Brooklynites should feel they want to kill him. I hope they're not serious about it.")

The Society for the Prevention of Disparaging Remarks about Brooklyn, with a membership of 25,000, jumped into the fray. Its president, Sidney Ascher, demanded: "What does that guy know about Brooklyn, or about he-men, either? We'll go after him at our next meeting."

One sergeant from the borough of "dem bums" was quoted as saying (expurgated): "I'd like to have had Coward in my outfit. I'd have blistered the lace right off his pants."

Dozens of indignant relatives of Brooklyn servicemen kept the phones of the Brooklyn Daily Eagle busy "with lashing rebukes," the paper said today.

Borough President John Cashmore, stating that Brooklyn's casualty lists "are bigger than the average and so are our citations," demanded an apology from Coward.



American Bomb Group Has Good Chow—Advt.

—TH BOMB GROUP, Nov. 14—A British father turned up here to inquire about his two sons, aged 12 and 16, who had left home two days before to deliver laundry to GI customers on the base and had not returned.

The station OD and MPs immediately found both lolling about a squadron area. The boys explained they had found GI chow and sleeping accommodations "very satisfactory" when rain had delayed their departure for home seven miles distant.

Nazis Regain Town in Storm

By Earl Mazo

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE 26TH DIVISION, France, Nov. 14—The seesaw fighting around Rodelbe, 27 miles northeast of Nancy, is typical of how bitterly the doughboys have to battle for comparatively small gains in the Third Army's new drive.

After driving the Nazis out in the afternoon and beating off a counter-attack, the Americans got set for the night. Snow and rain whipped into the faces of the outpost sentries, blinding them.

They didn't know that German tanks had got back into the town until the shooting began—and then it was too late.

The German tank men, setting several houses afire to light up the place, went from house to house firing at point-blank range. The doughboys fought back with small arms, and a couple of cannon company units rolled out their little cannon and fired "spitball" stuff at the Germans until they could fire no more.

When they failed to silence the Americans in some barns and houses, the Ger-

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Nazis Told to Shoot All Thinking of Quitting

WITH SECOND ARMORED DIVISION, Nov. 14 (AP)—The Nazis have instructed German soldiers to shoot anyone contemplating surrender—whether he be a superior officer, a soldier, a civilian or a friend, according to captured copies of Scorpion, Nazi news commentary, which stated the measures were formulated by Heinrich Himmler.



NOEL COWARD

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all letters published to not more than 200
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How to Help Wounded GIs

Nov. 8, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
Bravo! You GIs and WACs who wish
to help in hospitals! As one of three Red
Cross Recreation Workers covering 40
wards in a general hospital, I guarantee
that help is needed and wanted. It is
heartrending that each patient is called
on no more than once a week because we
are busy putting on entertainments. They
need cheering up so badly. So, come one!
Come all!

The Stars and Stripes, however, need
not be a clearing house for volunteers.
Your APO will locate the nearest hospital
where the Red Cross Assistant Field
Director can plan a regular schedule for
you. You can write letters, run errands
or shopping service, pass out books and
comfort articles, teach crafts, or just visit
the wards.

If you can run Bingo or sing, play the
guitar or tell fortunes, you will never find
a more appreciative audience.

If you only wish to chat with the
patients, you'll still be welcomed with
open arms, and I'll bet you'll have the
time or your life. We do.—Red Cross
Hospital Worker.

Cigarette Gripe No. 1

Nov. 11, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
Effective next week, our weekly rations
of cigarettes will be five packs instead of
seven, and at this point we all agree that
the boys at the front should have a carton
a day or more, but why is it that the
British soldiers on our base get the same
ration and in turn purchase their own
cigarettes off base, thereby giving them a
proportionally greater amount of smokes
than our boys? A little comment from
you will be greatly appreciated.—Pfc
Edward G. Olson, TC Sq.

Still Rough Over Germany

Nov. 11, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
A group of "EMs" from the Eighth
Heavies read the article submitted by the
"browned-off co-pilots" in the Nov. 11
gripe section, and we all agree! Why
won't we get it? Why have the "big
wheels" decided to lengthen our missions
and discontinue the DFC for the com-
pletion of your tour?

We all think that the missions are still
just as rough now as they ever were; as a
matter of fact we believe they are just a
bit rougher than they were a few months
ago. If any of the "big wheels" doubt
our word just let them make a few with
us, then maybe we would get the DFC
once again. This is strictly an Air Force
failure! Aren't we entitled to a few
corrections?—Ten Disgusted Gunners.

Beyond the Call of Duty

Nov. 11, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
I would like to echo the gripe put
forward by "Two Brownd-Off Co-Pilots." If
the alleged reason for suspending this
award is due to their (the Brass Hats)
belief that our tour is now a series of
"milk runs," then evidently they don't
read the newspapers very often.

During the last two weeks, for instance,
on three raids a total of 97 bombers were
lost. That's almost a thousand men who
have either lost their lives or are now
prisoners of war. Doesn't just that prove
to the WHEELS that these raids, now
never under five hours in length, are no
child's pastime? I'd like to know, along
with most of the combat men in this
theater, I'm sure, what the hell's the story
on this?—Just a Bombardier.

'Beyond the Call of Duty'

Nov. 11, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
In reply to the "two brownd-off co-
pilots" who think there should be more
DFCs available, here are two U.S. Navy
Lib boys blowing off a little steam. The
way you guys not only get, but expect,
a medal for just completing so many
missions gives us a good laugh.

In the navy a requirement for a medal
is that the recipient must have done
something exceptional, that is, something
above and beyond the call of duty. We
complete a half hundred missions of
varying lengths from a half day to just
a few hours and we are lucky to get a
"hero sheet" that merely states that we
have completed our tour of duty.

It seems to us that the AAF has such
a complete corner on the medal market
that inflation is setting in—values are
dropping. Hows about giving some of
those medals to the boys in the front
lines before they (the medals, of course)
are completely worthless? Bitching?
Us? Hell no! We have got our spam
ribbons, what more could any red-blooded
American boy want?—Two Navy air-
crew men, Midge and Mick.

Hash Marks

What with all the "cheeseecake" of
American girls in bathing suits we sup-
pose the English are beginning to think,
and rightly so, too, that the U.S. is a
nation of swimmers, morning, noon and
night, winter and summer.

This little drama actually took place
in "the local" the other night. Tommies
and Yanks were vying for the attention
of a group of pretty girls. Some boys
were more forward than others, while
still another was egged on with this bit
of sarcasm, "What's the matter, no
gumption?" "No. No gum, chum," was
the answer.

Life is like that. Lt. Donald Karr,
of Wisconsin, arriving home from the
ETO, burst into his parents' bedroom



and yelled: "Surprise." Awakened by
the outburst was a strange couple who
had rented the house from Karr's parents
a week before.

This could happen only in the Army:
EM: "Sir, I have a pain in my
abdomen."

Medic: "Young man, officers have
abdomens; warrant officers have
stomachs; you have a bellyache!"

Pvt. Nathan L. Clark received this
little poem from his wife:
His wife was a WAVE
And he waved at a WAC
The WAC was in front
But his WAVE was in back
Instead of a wave from the WAC, be it
said,
He got a whack from the WAVE he had
wed.

T/4 Milton Perman reminds us that
it's time for the annual Christmas joke
about the GI who received a package
from his wife in the States containing
TEA. (This goes for Spam joke con-
tributors, too.)

"To India by Mosquito" says The
London Daily Mail. "Must have been
one of those Jersey skeeters," said a GI.

Personally, we wouldn't care for one,
but it's our understanding that some



barber shops are offering powdered-egg
shampoos.

A man has become used to the Army
when he can stand up and fight it out
with GI powdered eggs at 6.30 in the
morning.

J. C. W.



"Now don't expect too much—this is my first time on one of these!"

Mud Pies for Wehrmacht

WE quote from The Stars
and Stripes, Thursday,
Nov. 2:

"Bad weather, which grounded
Allied aircraft and kept infantry
and armor struggling in knee-deep
mud and water, contributed heavily
to the Allied failure to close the
trap on the beaten German Army
below the Maas, front-line reports
said."

Allied troops have beaten the
Germans on every battlefield on
which they have met. They have
beaten them in the air. They have
beaten them on the sea. They have
beaten them on the land.

Allied troops must now beat the
Germans in the mud.

A few days ago in this box we
asked for suggestions on how to
make the Army mobile in spite of
mud. Some useful answers
have already come in. Ways of
keeping 6 by 6s moving in the
mire. Means of twisting and turn-
ing tanks across fields slimy with
fat, black ooze. Tips on servicing
mud-caked vehicles—on saving
rubber, metal, oil, gas and tempers
on bog-bound battlefields. Little



tricks that make life in a foxhole
just a little less miserable.

Ideas by the score are coming
in from the men who know most
about mud. The men who are
living, fighting and advancing in it.

We are going to publish these
hard-won lessons. We don't know

how or where. Maybe Warweek.
Maybe a special booklet. But
before we do we want to be sure
we have all the dope. Send your
mud pies for the Wehrmacht to
the Editor, The Stars and Stripes,
London.

Prize? None—except maybe an
earlier dating on your ticket home.

But War Is No Game for the Old Folks

Reich Scrapes Manpower Barrel And Throws In Staves to Boot

By Ralph G. Martin
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE SEVENTH ARMY, Nov.
14—After a recent breakthrough in a
small sector of this front, Army intelli-
gence officers were interested in the
information that there were 250 Nazi
dead, all wearing brand-new uniforms,
all divided into two age groups; the very
young and the very old.

These were not just the Johnny-Come-
Later scrapings of the Nazi manpower
barrel; these were something much more
important. They were the first crop of
a new movement in Nazi Germany, born
out of desperation. They were part of
the so-called "Volks" (People's) Move-
ment, the latest Hitler attempt to form a
steady source from which to drain re-
placements for frontline divisions, at the
same time organizing the groundwork
for future guerrilla warfare.

The two classifications of the "Volks"
movement are: (1) Volks Grenadier
(combat infantrymen) and (2) Volksturm
(home guard).

System Broken

When the Germans were on their
blitzing offensive in the old days they
had a simple, smoothly-working system
for replacement. But as soon as the
Russians started wiping out hundreds of
thousands of Germans, while the Ameri-

can-British-French chopped up additional
divisions—then the Nazi replacement
system broke down.

The breakdown became even more
critical because the Nazis had long ago
pledged that no German division would
ever be wiped out. Faced with tremen-
dous battle casualties, the Wehrmacht
High Command had to reinforce weak-
ened divisions and rebuild destroyed
divisions. With this terrific, sudden
squeeze on manpower, Germany had to
do something quickly.

Instead of just picking everybody up
and throwing them into the general
replacement mill, the Nazi officials played
smart propaganda and created this
"Volks" movement, calling on the people
to save the Fatherland.

Can't Take Infantry

Under certain conditions, these Volks
troops are just as good as any other
Nazi troops—even better, sometimes.
A 50-year-old man in a pillbox can do
just as much damage as a 25-year-old.
Or do any one of a thousand jobs behind
the lines.

But infantry combat is another story.
They just can't take it. They get sick
quicker, tire more easily, surrender
faster.

The mere existence of the Volksturm
emphasizes Gen. Eisenhower's warning
against fraternization. The German
people may throw flowers at us when
we enter their towns, but there will prob-
ably be a grenade in the middle.

If Germany has ever been totally
mobilized, it is now.

AFN Radio Program

- On Your Dial
1375 kc. 1402 kc. 1411 kc. 1420 kc. 1447 kc.
218.1m. 213.9m. 212.6m. 211.3m. 207.3m.
- Wednesday, Nov. 15
- 0755—Sign On—Program Resume.
 - 0800—World News.
 - 0805—Songs by Martha Tilton.
 - 0825—Music by Lionel Hampton.
 - 0900—Headlines—Combat Diary.
 - 0915—Personal Album, with Savannah Churchill.
 - 0930—Music of Canada.
 - 1000—Headlines—Morning After (Major Glenn Miller).
 - 1030—Strike up the Band.
 - 1100—Headlines—Home News from the USA.
 - 1105—Duffie Bag.
 - 1200—News.
 - 1205—Duffie Bag.
 - 1300—Headlines—Sports News.
 - 1305—Corporal Saddlebags.
 - 1315—Music from the Movies.
 - 1400—Headlines—Visiting Hour.
 - 1500—Headlines—German Lesson.
 - 1505—Strike up the Band.
 - 1530—On the Record.
 - 1630—Great Moments in Music.
 - 1700—Headlines—Johnny Mercer's Music Shop.
 - 1715—Music by Freddie Martin.
 - 1740—Rhythm Musicale.
 - 1755—American Sports News.
 - 1800—World News.
 - 1805—Mark up the Map.
 - 1810—GI Supper Club.
 - 1900—Headlines—Take the Air (Eighth Air Force).
 - 1930—Badwagon, with Alfred Drake.
 - 1945—Strings with Wings.
 - 2000—Headlines—Combat Diary.
 - 2015—Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians.
 - 2030—British Band of the AEF.
 - 2100—World News.
 - 2105—Everything for the Boys.
 - 2130—Bob Hope, with Frances Langford, Jerry Colonna and Skinnay Ennis.
 - 2200—Headlines—Home News from the USA.
 - 2205—Ten O'Clock Special.
 - 2300—Final Edition.
 - 2305—Sign off until 0755 hours, Thursday, Nov. 16.
- On the Continent listen to your favorite AFN programs over the
Allied Expeditionary Forces Program:
583 kc. 514m.
- Also shortwave: 6.195mc. (49m. band) between
0800 and 1900 hours.

Newman's Yankee Doodles

News Item: WASHINGTON—GIs
today are smarter than 1917 soldiers,
says Army Office of Education



"Then we'll try an easier question—How
much is 2 and 2?"

Combat Men Salt It Away

Combat men of the First and Third
Armies are spending only half as much
money as rear-echelon troops, it was
revealed by Col. Jefferson H. Fulton,
Theater War Bond officer. Ninety-
one per cent of the money paid to
front-line soldiers is going home in the
form of War Bonds, allotments, money
orders or savings accounts.

First and Third Army soldiers are put-
ting nine per cent of their pay into their
wallets, while the average pay retained
by all troops in the ETO, according to
Fulton, amounts to 18 per cent.

Combat men "materially raise" the
Theater savings figure, Fulton said, add-
ing, "The closer you get to combat, the
more you find the individual soldier in-
clined to send his money home."

'Allotments Higher'

Family allotments, bonds and insur-
ance are higher with combat troops also,
Fulton said. The Theater-average is 51
per cent, while the First and Third Army
average is 56 per cent. But the saving
habit doesn't stop there. GIs invest in
War Bonds, put their folding money into
Soldier Deposit accounts, and send home
cash via postal money orders, according
to the War Bond officer.

Fulton, director of the ETO effort in
the 26-day Sixth War Loan drive which
starts Nov. 20, said that soldier savings
in September were higher than in August
because "Christmas shopping is coming,
and we are just one month nearer to
victory, when saved up money will come
in handy."

France Makes Sure Now Of Its Jan. 1 Hangover

A sparkling New Year's celebration
is in store for France's champagne
guzzlers, according to a Food Ministry
announcement which said one bottle of
bubbly for every three ration books
would be issued especially for the
holiday.

15 Elevens Still Have Unblemished Records

NEW YORK, Nov. 14—The titans of Army and Ohio State continued to lead the undefeated, untied elite of football by smacking down Notre Dame and Pittsburgh over the weekend, but when all reports were in three more elevens had tumbled from the select list, leaving 15 teams with perfect slates.

Wake Forest, with its first Southern Conference title in sight, lost its first game after seven straight when it was soundly whipped by the four-times-beaten Blue Devils of Duke. The Duke victory marked the second week in a row that the Blue Devils had stopped an unbeaten team, their previous victim being Georgia Tech. Another college representative to fall for the first time was Harvard's "informal" eleven, which decided to play one more game after calling it quits and lost to the PT Boat Squadron eleven of Melville Rhode Island.

From the list of service teams Bunker Hill Indiana Naval Station hit the deck after winning six in a row by losing to Iowa Pre-Flight.

Unbeaten teams which improved their records were Miami University of Ohio, Drake, Mississippi State and Yale on the college list and Randolph Field, Texas Normal and Oklahoma Naval among the service teams.

Big upset in the east saw little Coast Guard Academy bop Dartmouth, 19-0. Pennsylvania rebounded to thump Columbia, 35-7, Princeton opened a brief informal season with a 16-6 win over Muhlenberg. Other eastern results included West Virginia's 71-0 rout of Lehigh, Penn State's 7-6 squeeze over Temple, Bucknell's 78-0 walloping of City College and Holy Cross' victory over Colgate.

Crimson Tide Came Back

In the south, Alabama came back against Mississippi, 34-6, Georgia Tech beat Tulane decisively, Virginia beat Richmond, 39-0, North Carolina Pre-Flight overpowered Georgia Pre-Flight.

In the midwest, Michigan stopped Illinois, Minnesota upset Indiana, Purdue licked Northwestern and Wisconsin defeated Iowa in Big Ten competition, while in the Big Six Iowa State topped Nebraska, 19-6, Missouri and Oklahoma played a 21-21 tie and Kansas State upset Kansas, 18-14.

The Rice Owls, leaders in the Southwest Conference, fell before Arkansas, while the Texas Aggies downed Southern Methodist, 39-6.

West Coast features saw UCLA defeat California, while March Field easily defeated Washington and Fleet City won from Nevada.

The undefeated, untied list:

TEAM	G	P	OP	TEAM	G	P	OP
Miami (O.)	8	179	61	Min. Tech	4	78	20
Army	7	419	21	Cal Tech	4	159	0
Drake	7	208	35	Bainbridge	7	266	48
Marquette	7	206	21	Randolph	7	321	6
Ohio State	7	243	53	Norman	6	144	40
St. Thomas	7	123	25	Pt. Pierce	5	275	7
Miss. State	6	211	47	C'd Camp'll	5	157	7
Yale	6	101	20				

* Denotes teams which have finished seasons.

There is no doubt of this being the Army's year for reprisals—even in football. The point-a-minute Cadets not only handed Notre Dame its worst defeat in history but plastered Pitt with its biggest shellacking (69-7) since 1903. It is recalled that both used to delight in showing the soldiers around. Now Penn, which was responsible for the worst setback (48-0) in the Military Academy's history and which hasn't lost to Army since 1901 when they wore nose-guards and Teddy Roosevelt was President, is reported to be looking for a hideaway in the Poconos over this weekend. After that it will be Navy, which has been humiliating Army on the gridiron since 1939.

One of the year's noteworthy comebacks is that of Howard Mehaffey, Michigan back who operated with Harmon, Evashewski and Westfall five years ago. He has been bedridden all that time with an ailment which for a time left his left leg almost useless and is one of the main cogs in the unbeaten Wolverines backfield. What's more, he works a full night shift at the Willow Run bomber plant.

Dirks, who hails from Cumberland, Md., had things much his own way. In the co-feature Pvt. Dick Shinn, of San Francisco, 144, notched his fifth victory in six appearances at Rainbow with a hard-earned decision over Pvt. Louis Hernandez, Oakland, Cal., 151-pounder.

Shinn, now a paratrooper after a short tenure with an ordnance depot, relied on straight lefts to the head to build up a point margin, but never was able to break loose the short right hook which is his best weapon.

After two dull rounds Cpl. Tommy Carbonero, 163-pounder from Brooklyn, turned on the heat to outpoint Pvt. William Torrence, of Iowa City, Iowa, 168, in the opener.

Sgt. Karl Dalio combined a looping right and jolting jab to the head to rack up a TKO over Pfc Jerome Cawley, of Baltimore, 162. Dalio took no time at all to solve Cawley's submarine style and after the first round the Houston (Tex.) 167-pounder had things his own way. Cawley took a drubbing around the head in the second, then went down under a right to the head at 20 seconds of the third, and Referee Cpl. Frank Marcella stopped the bout 20 seconds later when Cawley went down under another right to the jaw.

Help Wanted —AND GIVEN

Write your question or problem to Help Wanted, Stars and Stripes, 37, Upper Brook St., London, W.1, or APO 887, U.S. Army, Telephone, ET0USA, Ext. 2131.

Raincoat Found

HOWARD Cusick, ASN 11068457—Your raincoat which you left at Swan and Edgars at the end of October has been handed to the American Red Cross Hq., 12 Grosvenor Sq., London, W.1, (Reception Desk).

WAC Corporal's trench coat marked S-4057 left on train at Cheltenham in July. Will owner please contact S/Sgt. Kenneth E. Bergman, Ice Cream Makers.

WILL the Air Service Command unit who constructed an ice cream freezer from the junk parts of a jeep please contact this department, as we have a letter from another unit who want some tips from you?

Meet the Mighty Menichelli



Jimmy Johnston (right), veteran fight manager, with his latest fistic protege, Fernando Menichelli, 27-year old Argentine heavyweight.

'The Beef' Shows Tough Hide In Debut Against Bouchard

NEWARK, N.J., Nov. 14—Fernando "The Beef" Menichelli, Argentine heavyweight, launched his United States ring career successfully last night with a ten-round decision over Laurient Bouchard of Montreal at Laurel Gardens, the same club at which Luis Angel Firpo, the original Wild Bull of the Pampas, started 22 years ago.

Menichelli is no Joe Louis or Billy Conn by any means. He spent the greater part of the evening fanning the breeze. But the blows that he did land had so much force that his taller, 204-pound opponent, who is also no Joe or Billy, was in bad shape several times. Bouchard was down in the tenth and on the verge of being knocked out while Menichelli tried futilely to tag him when the bell rang.

The Beef, a six-foot, 199-pounder, won the decision by a lopsided margin mainly through the murderous effect his short, right chops had on Bouchard's jaw. A crowd of 4,000 saw the fight.

Here are the ten leaders: Army—935; Randolph Field—770; Navy—759; Ohio State 741; Michigan—458; Bainbridge Naval—454; Iowa Pre-Flight—344; Fourth Air Force—195; Georgia Tech—165; Duke—108.

Cards to Build Own Ball Park, Bredon Announces

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 14—Sam Bredon, president of the world champion St. Louis Cardinals, announced today the purchase of land for the construction of a new ball park which will have a larger playing surface than Sportsman's Park, which the Cards have been sharing with the Browns, who own the plant.

The land and building will run into a million and a quarter dollars, Bredon said.

The new layout, which will be known as Cardinal Park, will be on the southwest side of St. Louis, far removed from the scene of the first all St. Louis World Series last month.

Bredon expects the park, which will have a seating capacity of 40,000, to be ready in '48.

Dick Tracy



Li'l Abner



On Again, Off Again Tour On Again for Haegg

STOCKHOLM, Nov. 14—Now they're going. Now they ain't. It was reported in the Svenska Morontidningen (which is a newspaper) today that Gunder Haegg and Arne Andersson, the Swedish track aces, have made reservations aboard a safe conduct vessel for passage to the United States for a three-month tour calling for appearances in major cities.

La Guardia Flays Turf World

NEW YORK, Nov. 14—The Little Flower is burned up again.

Fiorello H. LaGuardia, hustling, bustling, fire-chasing mayor of New York City, is in favor of banning horse racing for the duration of the war, he said during his weekly broadcast, and he amplified his remarks with gusto in a talk later with reporters.

"The authorities tell us in one breath that we must not travel and that we must work and then they permit horse racing," LaGuardia said.

The Little Flower then went on to cite figures which showed that the absentee rate rose 15 per cent at a California war plant with the opening of a nearby race track and went 27 per cent above normal on the second day of the meeting.

The mayor noted huge sums wagered at New York tracks, remarked that horse racing was carried on during regular working hours, and drew the conclusion that many of those visiting the tracks were away from work.

Gould Guilty; Gets 3 Years, Fined \$12,000

NEW YORK, Nov. 14—Joe Gould, 48-year-old Army captain and peace-time manager of former heavyweight champion Jimmy Braddock, was dismissed from the service, fined \$12,000 and sentenced to three years at hard labor by a general court-martial upon his conviction late yesterday of conspiracy to accept bribes for the award of Army contracts.

Gould also was convicted of having sought to influence Stephen "Tex" Sullivan, an associate in the boxing business, to testify falsely for him before a court-martial.

The former fight manager, who pleaded innocent to all charges, accepted without any show of emotion the verdict of the 13-man court which deliberated for two hours and 25 minutes before handing down the conviction.

Gould was convicted on four specifications as follows: 1—Conspiracy with Milton Henry, president of the Cornwall Company between May and November of '43, to defraud the government by wrongfully influencing the awarding of contracts for war materials to Henry's firm.

2—Of conspiring with Henry to receive secret compensation in connection with the awarding of contracts.

3—Of receiving more than \$1,600 from the Cornwall Company for such services.

4—Of unlawfully attempting to have Sullivan testify falsely that he (Sullivan) had been employed by the Cornwall Company from October, '43, to April, '44, as publicity agent.

It was testified at the trial that the \$1,600 represented the total amount received from the company by Sullivan and turned over to Gould.

Bowl Tilt to Be Intersectional

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 14—The Rose Bowl on New Year's Day will feature a football game between the Pacific Coast Conference champions and an eastern college team, it was announced today. Releasing a list of 16 college teams under consideration, officials stressed that next New Year's Day would not see a repetition of this year's All-Pacific Coast game.

Those being considered are Alabama, Army, Georgia Tech, Holy Cross, Iowa State, Michigan State, Navy, Notre Dame, Ohio State, Oklahoma Aggies, Tennessee, Tulane, Texas and Yale.

Officials said the list was necessarily tentative as they had little hope of luring Yale, Notre Dame, Navy, Army, Ohio State or Michigan west, the last two being restricted by a Big Ten rule against post-season play.



Fiorello La Guardia

By Chester Gould



By Al Capp



In Those United States

FDR May Retain Cabinet, But Vinson May Get a Post

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14 (AP)—Indications today were that President Roosevelt would carry his present Cabinet into his fourth term, but he is expected to name Fred M. Vinson, director of the Office of Economic Stabilization, as "assistant president" succeeding James F. Byrnes, who runs the Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion on an interim basis.

Byrnes has indicated he would prefer not to have the "assistant presidency" post for the two-year term Congress provided because of a new setup which adds problems of reviving civilian economy to Byrnes' old job as War Mobilization director.

Strategically-placed sources predicted that Vinson's name would go to the Senate, which reconvened today, for confirmation. Vinson would at the same time retain his present job.

Meantime, the possible replacement of Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins remained a lively topic of debate despite the absence of any indication from the White House that it even is being considered. Secretary of the Interior Harold L. Ickes has offered his resignation, but said he did not know whether it would be accepted.

CAPITAL BLAZINGS: Omar B. Ketchum, national legislative officer of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, said today many servicemen will wish to stay in uniform when peace comes. A surprisingly large number have no desire to return to civilian life. . . . OPA warned restaurants they could not boost the price of Thanksgiving meals over the amounts they charged in 1943.

Agriculture probably will need help (prisoners of war, &c.) with its labor problem for at least two more years, Brig. Gen. Philip G. Bruton, of the War Food Administration, said. . . . State Department announced that a wide area of North Africa and Middle East has been removed from the list of military areas and that passports may now be granted to civilians for travel there. Places named include Morocco, Algeria, Turkey and Tunisia.

Debt Freedom Ring
LANSING, Mich., Nov. 14—The lights in the dome of Michigan's capitol, dark since Pearl Harbor, will be lighted tomorrow in celebration of the State becoming entirely free of bonded indebtedness. The lights will be on regularly thereafter.

No Joy in Mudhenville
TOLEDO, Ohio, Nov. 14 (ANS)—Hotels here will make no reservations for New Year's Eve parties this year because Dec. 31 falls on a Sunday and no alcoholic liquors may be sold until after midnight.

Men Give a Reet Cheer as Pleats Return
KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 14 (ANS)—Maybe men aren't as clothes conscious as the women. But members of the Heart of America Men's Apparel Club now in session here say the gents are happy as meadowlarks at getting pleats and cuffs back on their pants.

(A War Production Board mandate shortly after Pearl Harbor banned i-pleats, cuffs, vests and double-breasted and two-pants suits, all for conservation purposes.)

The society said the men had been touchy about the pleats. Reason: The pleats help to camouflage pot-bellies.

Members further reported that men were philosophical about vests and that it "didn't make much difference" about the double-breasted and extra-pants suits.

Narrow Bed
LONG BEACH, Cal., Nov. 14 (ANS)—David Bourbonnais, 9, was recuperating today, after his release from a 12-inch wide toilet compartment of an abandoned auto trailer, in which he had been locked by "a big boy" for eight days.

Dewey Takes a Rest
SAISLAND BEACH, Ga., Nov. 14—Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, unsuccessful Republican Presidential candidate, has arrived here for a vacation of "golf, swimming and playing with my two sons."

Wife to Sue Yawkey
RENO, Nov. 14 (ANS)—Mrs. Tom Yawkey, wife of the owner of the Boston Red Sox, will file divorce proceedings next week, it was reported today.

Ex-Elevator Boy Returns as a Senator
WASHINGTON, Nov. 14 (ANS)—Not too many years ago William E. Jenner ran an elevator in the Capitol for \$4 a week. Today he came back to the same building—as a senator from Indiana to fill a short term which expires in January.

Recently released from the Army Air Forces, Jenner is the first discharged veteran of World War II to serve in the Senate. At 36, he also is the youngest member in the upper chamber.

When his term runs out, Jenner plans to resume his law practice in Bedford, Ind.

Home, but Wife's on the Range
SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 14 (ANS)—Capt. James M. Donlon Jr., who survived the march of death on Bataan and 2½ years in Japanese prison camps, came home yesterday to learn that his wife had joined the WAC. "What's that?" he asked. He quickly found out. His wife is a major.

Night-Club Mission an Abort

Convicted Flier Recaptured After Escape in Stolen Plane

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 14 (ANS)—Robert G. Kaslow, 21-year-old former Army Air Forces officer charged with escaping from a military prison in a stolen Army plane, was jailed today following his capture last night in a hotel cocktail lounge.

FBI agents had trailed him from one night spot to another by means of a ring worn by a woman companion who FBI Agent Jack J. Van Landingham said paid his bill in a hotel Turkish bath.

The young woman's ring "made an impression on one of the employees of the hotel," Van Landingham added, and it was traced through a jeweler.

Kaslow escaped Friday night while awaiting transfer from the Craig Field (Ala.) guardhouse to the Federal prison at Atlanta to begin serving a 30-year sentence. His companion, described as "attractive and about 25," was held by

Strike Shuts B29 Plants
NEW YORK, Nov. 14 (Reuter)—All of the five Wright Manufacturing Co. plants in New Jersey which make engines for Superfortresses were idle today because of a walkout by 1,900 supervisory workers. The strike forced company officials to send 32,000 production employees home.

Women Want Peace Work
CHICAGO, Nov. 14—Three-quarters of the American women holding war-time jobs want to continue working in the peace years, it was predicted yesterday by Frieda S. Miller, director of the Department of Labor Women's Bureau.

Ethel Barrymore III
NEW YORK, Nov. 14 (ANS)—The condition of actress Ethel Barrymore, first lady of the stage, who yesterday was rushed to a hospital suffering from pneumonia and a heart ailment, today was reported slightly improved.

Miss Barrymore, 65, was forced to cancel a Broadway engagement for the first time in 50 years last Friday when illness prevented her appearance in the star role of "Embezzled Heaven."



Flood Traps 3 Miners
WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Nov. 14—Rescue crews were working today to reach three anthracite miners, trapped in a flooded South Wilkes-Barre colliery three days, but mine officials hold little hope the men were still alive. The miners were trapped when a dynamite blast loosed tons of water dammed near the slope of Franklin Colliery.

The End of the Tirpitz



The giant battleship Tirpitz, pride of the German fleet, settles in its smoke-clouded, watery grave at Tromso Fiord after Sunday's attack by RAF Lancasters. At least three 12,000-pound bombs hit the Tirpitz in this final, successful raid.

Folies Bergere Scuttles the Cold

There Is No Fuel in Paris, But the Gals Grin and Bare It

By James McGlinney
United Press War Correspondent

PARIS, Nov. 14—How're you gonna get 'em back on the farm after they've seen Patee?

More specifically, after they've seen Patee's new Folies Bergere.

Because it's a cinch that, after seeing it, every time they see a cow the lads are going to turn the udder way.

Storm - - -

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mans crashed their tanks through the places, burning everything inside.

Pfc Rufus Newcomb, of Richmond, Va., a company runner, told his captain of one incident. The Germans had set afire the house in which Newcomb and his comrades were, he said, so they ran to another, going into the cellar.

"We had some wounded in that cellar," he said, "and when the Germans pointed that 88 down the stairs at us it looked like the tank was sticking its nose down there. They stuck that thing down and fired, and all of us who were still alive got out the back way."

Having lost his weapon, Newcomb and three of his buddies lit out for the open country.

"As we went the Germans picked off three of us, one by one, he said. "I guess I never wanted a gun in my hands so much in my life. I got on my belly and crawled. For seven hours I crawled and prayed and crawled and prayed. I didn't realize how muddy and wet and stinking I was till I got back here, just two miles away. At that I guess I was lucky."

Tank Battles On Near Budapest

MOSCOW, Nov. 14 (AP)—Tank battles raged east of Budapest today as German and Hungarian troops sought to hold Russian armor from breaking through and outflanking the Hungarian capital to the north.

The Nazis were reported to have used many new tanks and anti-tank weapons. Nothing new was reported from the Soviet left flank, anchored in Budapest's southern suburbs, or from forces about 15 miles southeast of the city.

Eiffel Tower to Be Yank Radio Station

PARIS, Nov. 14 (AP)—The Eiffel Tower has been Lend-Leased to the U.S. for a radio station, it was disclosed officially tonight with the announcement that reverse Lend-Lease already had started in France.

The statement said that within three months France would be giving the American forces as much as does Britain.

Philippines Restore Radio Link With U.S.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 14 (AP)—Commercial radio facilities for transmission of news between the Philippines and the U.S. were re-established today for the first time in three years. A civilian staff opened the service from Leyte.

Terry and the Pirates



Giant Airliner Modeled After Superfortress

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14 (AP)—A military prototype of a double-deck, post-war commercial transport plane, modelled on the B29 Superfortress bomber, has been built by the Boeing Aircraft Co. and is now being tested at Seattle.

Called the "Boeing 377 Stratocruiser," the new ship will be used exclusively for military transport for the present. Vital statistics:

Operating range—3,500 miles, permitting non-stop flights between New York and London.

Power—For engines, 3,500 horsepower each. Top speed, 400 MPH; cruising speed, 340 MPH. Maximum flight altitude, 30,000 feet; atmospheric conditions inside pressure cabins will be equivalent to those at 8,000 feet.

Volume—Double that of B29; wings, tail, landing gear, identical with B29; fuselage, 12 feet longer.

Capacity—100 day passengers; 36 sleeping passengers. As cargo plane, maximum payload of 17½ tons. Plane weighs 35 tons empty, 65 tons gross.

Crew—Transcontinental 5; trans-ocean 7.

2 Heroes Win 3rd a Bridge

WITH U.S. THIRD ARMY, Nov. 14 (Reuter)—Heroism of Col. John Hines Jr., of Washington, D.C., son of the 1922 Army chief of staff, and that of an unnamed second lieutenant made possible the first crossing of the Nied River south-east of Metz, it was revealed today.

When the Third Army men reached the river Saturday they found the bridge still intact, but they could see demolition charges beneath it with wires leading in the direction of the enemy.

Under heavy fire, the lieutenant—a member of the 21st Armored Engineer Battalion—cut the wires. Then he was mortally wounded.

At this point Hines jumped from a tank on to the bridge and led the men across the bridge. Although wounded Hines made three trips across the bridge and directed the successful fighting on the other side.

Reich, Sweden In Oral Slugfest

Germany and neutral Sweden engaged in a war of words yesterday following charges by the Swedish Foreign Office that Nazi troops had violated Swedish territory.

A German spokesman answered the Swedish charge with the statement that only lone Nazi soldiers had crossed the northern frontier of Sweden in pursuit of fleeing Norwegians.

"It is well known that Allied bombers frequently violate Swedish air space in order to shorten the way into Germany," the Nazi spokesman said.

They Take the Wraps Off

"HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 14—Looks like they're finally going to uncover Jane Russell so that thousands of GIs who have panted at her pinup still photos will soon be able to pant at her temptatious and voluptuous beauty in motion on the screen.

Film producer Hunt Stromberg announced today that Howard Hughes had let go his contract grasp of the exciting brunette so that, while Hughes talks post-war air plans with Stalin in Moscow, Stromberg can film La Russell in a movie called "Young Widow."

Jane, after more than three years' vacation with pay, says she is "quite happy" about the assignment.

She is the gal who starred in Howard Hughes' picture "The Outlaw," a story of Billy the Kid, which the Hays office thought was too bosomy for general release. Hughes skirted the Hays office ban—and the critics' cry of "Corn!"—and hired a San Francisco theater for a run of the film, which paid off OK.

Hughes got involved in war work after that—he helped Henry Kaiser build the world's largest airplane—but he insisted on keeping Russell under his contract wraps "until the right role" came along.

So while her photographs hung around in GI quarters the world over, Russell just hung around wasting her talents—except for the hanging around she did at Fort Benning while keeping house for her



Jane Russell

UCLA football star husband, Lt. Bob Waterfield.

Now Waterfield is discharged and playing ball again.

And La Russell, too, released from that contract hold, will be playing ball, also.

By Milton Caniff

