

Daily German Lesson
Sie muessen hier umsteigen
Zee mewssen here oomstaygen
All change here

Daily French Lesson
Attention a la marche!
At-on-si-own a la marsh!
Mind the step!

7 and 5 Packs of Cigarettes Today, Says U.K. PRO

Third Battles Into Saarlautern

That's Latest In 'On-Off' Weekend

Starting this morning, combat soldiers, replacements and hospital patients in the U.K. probably can purchase their full pre-famine ration of seven packages of American cigarettes at the PX, while noncombatants probably will be able to obtain five packs.

At least, when The Stars and Stripes went to press last night, that was the last of a series of conflicting weekend announcements on the current cigarette snafu.

In the Communications Zone on the Continent, reports last night indicated that the ration beginning today would be five packs for combatants, two packs for noncombatants.

These were the weekend developments on the butt front:

Saturday, Communications Zone Headquarters in Paris announced that, commencing this morning, "combat troops and hospital patients in the U.K. can purchase seven packages of cigarettes per

GI Bazooka Man Ready for Toot if Necessary



A Ninth Army soldier, carrying a bazooka, cautiously approaches a blazing German self-propelled tank destroyer near Aldenhoven.

GIs Surprise Nazis, Span Saar River

Units of Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army were fighting last night in both the eastern and western portions of industrial Saarlautern after crossing the Saar River, dividing the town and capturing the bridge connecting the two districts in an assault-boat attack which caught the Germans before they could blow up the span.

Earlier reports of the Saarlautern battle said the 95th Division was fighting to clear the main part of the city on the western bank, where the Germans, supported by anti-aircraft and mobile guns, were holding out in house-to-house clashes.

Northwest of Saarlautern the Germans abandoned the town of Niederlimberg after razing it by fire—the first instance of a Nazi scorched-earth policy in the Reich itself. Dispatches also disclosed that Sarre-Union had been cleared of the enemy.

Wheeler Asks for Probe To Answer the Troops

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3—Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D-Mont.) declared yesterday that "the boys in the service who are going without cigarettes, and the public in general, are entitled to know the facts" about the current shortage. He called on the Federal Trade Commission to determine whether the shortage in the U.S. was "real or artificial."

Wheeler asked the FTC probe "in view of rumors of black-market operations, hoarding and racketeering."

Meanwhile, OPA's Enforcement Division reported that as yet no organized or professional black market in cigarettes had appeared throughout the nation.

week in U.S. Army Exchanges, while other personnel are able to purchase five packages per week."

The announcement was carried in London's Sunday press.

Yesterday afternoon Paris issued another order, rescinding the earlier announcement. Though the second release did not say so, it was assumed that this meant that the order of Nov. 29, allowing combatants five packs and non-combatants two packs as of Dec. 4, remained in force.

Last night, however, the U.K. Base public-relations office notified The Stars and Stripes that Saturday's order, allowing butt purchases on a seven and five basis, would take effect this morning.

Meanwhile, the basic question, first asked by The Stars and Stripes when the ban went into effect, remained unanswered: Where were the cigarettes?

Superforts Raid Tokyo Again

Marianas-based Superforts bombed Tokyo yesterday for the fourth time in ten days, the War Department announced, adding that the "objective was an industrial target previously attacked in an earlier mission by the same aircraft."

Saipan dispatches said the 90-minute attack, carried out in mid-afternoon, was directed against the Musashina plant of the Nakajima aircraft factory, which suffered considerable damage in the Nov. 24 raid, according to reconnaissance photographs. Yesterday's raid was in good weather, enabling the bombardiers to do pinpoint visual work. The factory is about 11 miles west of Tokyo harbor.

Meanwhile, in the Philippines, a communique reported a strong Japanese air attack against American positions at Carigara, at the northern end of the Ormoc corridor on Leyte Island.

German News Agency quoted a Tokyo dispatch as saying that "suicide" airborne Jap troops—who tie explosives to their bodies and fling themselves at enemy installations—had been landed on Leyte and had damaged two American air bases.

In Paris, a Fat Wallet Means Arrest for GIs

PARIS, Dec. 3 (UP)—American soldiers with large sums of money in their pockets are being arrested in Paris in a determined effort to break up the black market in U.S. Army goods.

About 200 soldiers already are under arrest, but the black market in gasoline, food and cigarettes still exists, a provost marshal official stated.

Reds Smashing North On Route to Austria

Russian forces in northeastern Hungary last night captured the important communications centers of Miskolc and Satoral-Jauhely, while across the Danube Marshal Tolbukhin's Red Army forces pushed ahead toward Austria, less than 80 miles away.

The Germans admitted the loss of Miskolc, although Moscow did not claim capture of the city. Marshal Stalin's order of the day, however, proclaimed the capture of Satoral-Jauhely, junction of several railways connecting Hungary, Czechoslovakia and southern Poland.

On the west side of the Danube the Soviet's Third Ukrainian Army continued to drive north at the rate of from ten to 20 miles a day, breaking open a route to Austria and severing the railways on which about 100,000 Germans hoped to get out of Yugoslavia.

More than 60 settlements have been captured by Tolbukhin's Army in its



drive north from Pecs and the swift Russian armored columns last night were reported closing in on Dunafoldvar, 42 miles south of Budapest.

Large-scale battles were reported raging between Kaposvar on the left flank and Szekszard on the right. Szekszard was reported outflanked, but the Germans apparently risked a suicide force to hold the important stronghold.

The Germans admitted that the advance from southern Hungary was "rather tragic at first sight," and said they were inferior in arms and men to the Russians.

In the northeast it appeared that Marshal Malinowsky's Russian forces had started a new drive to keep pace with the Soviet push in the south. Both forces then could form a wide circle around the capital on the Danube.

MAF Blasts Nazi Positions

ROME, Dec. 3 (AP)—In its biggest day in three months, the Mediterranean Air Force flew more than 2,500 sorties yesterday in a full-scale assault on German communications, gun posts and ammo dumps in northern Italy and oil and rail targets in Germany and Austria.

While the heavies ranged over German territory, medium bombers struck at bridges and causeways on the Brenner route and coastal command planes attacked small shipping in the Venice Gulf and road transport in northern Italy. Thirteen planes were lost.

At the same time, the Luftwaffe made small-scale nuisance raids on Fifth Army Sectors.

Britain-Latin Air Deal Alleged

NEW YORK, Dec. 3 (UP)—Sen. Ralph O. Brewster (R-Me.) charged in the current issue of American Magazine that Britain had proposed a deal whereby it would provide Argentina with commercial airplanes before the end of the war in return for commercial airline rights in Argentina.

Brewster's article, entitled "Let's Not Be Suckers Again," said:

"Despite the Anglo-American agreement that neither nation until the end of the war will negotiate with other countries to operate commercial airlines, most extraordinary deals are going on with Argentina."

"In spite of the rift between the U.S. and the Argentine, the British have offered to supply the Argentine with commercial planes before the end of the war if the Argentine gives British commercial airlines the right to operate in Argentina."

"I presume," Brewster continued, "that American Lend-Lease gifts will permit the British to release enough of their own planes to supply the Argentine."

Brewster further alleged:

"In return for a loan to China, the British are to receive the right to operate vast air lines to China, using in many cases airports built by us."



of the Saar west bank, First Army doughboys, attacking in darkness, jumped off from Langerwehe and captured Luchem in a half-mile advance, during which they ran up against earthworks, anti-tank guns, mortars and unusually strong enemy air power.

Ack-ack crews supporting the First Army reported the destruction of 15 to 20 enemy planes which risked take-offs in weather which held Allied planes on the ground. One dispatch said that a command post had been strafed twice yesterday, each time by five Me109s. The Luftwaffe fliers failed to cause much damage, according to reports.

Capping a week of tough fighting, the First Army cleared the town of Inden, while in the area between Kleinbau and Brandenburg, which was taken yesterday, American tanks resumed the offensive

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One Less to Fight



A Ninth Army infantryman takes a German prisoner near Beeck, Germany, and both the M-3 sub-machine gun and the grim-faced GI look as though they mean business.

The Jackknife May Become a Scalpel

GI Medic's Miracle Operation Wins Him Free College Offer

By Robert Richards
United Press War Correspondent

WITH FIFTH DIVISION, near Metz, Dec. 3—The "foxhole surgeon" who performed a delicate throat operation with a rusty jack-knife and a fountain pen while under fire sat down quickly as if weak in the knees when told today he had been offered a free medical education at Western Reserve University.

The news just about floored T/4 Duane N. Kinman, former truck driver and auto mechanic from College Place, Wash., whose battlefield operation astounded medical men.

He had saved a choking soldier whose windpipe had been gashed by shrapnel by making an incision and putting a fountain pen through it to permit the soldier again to breathe.

"Golly, that's just what I wanted to do all my life," Kinman said after the shock of the news had worn off.

"I wanted to go to college and learn to be a surgeon but I always told myself it's no use, Duane, you'll never get enough money."

The offer was made to Kinman—elevated from private in the medical corps to T/4 for his feat—by the president of Western Reserve University, provided he could pass the pre-med exams.

The 19-year-old soldier's only worry, however, is the examination. "I had another year to go before finishing Walla



T/4 Duane N. Kinman
Walla Academy when the Army got me, and I was only an average student," he said. "I am afraid I won't have what it (Continued on page 2)

Japs Lose 10 to U.S. 1 But Still Have Plenty

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 (ANS)—U.S. troops have killed at least 277,000 Japanese at a cost of only 21,000 American fatalities, the Office of War Information has revealed in a report which said that Japan already has 4,000,000 men in the field, and can comfortably equip and train an additional 2,000,000.

8th, 9th Hit Nazi Traffic, Railway Yards

Escorted by more than 500 Mustangs and Thunderbolts, about 250 Fortresses and Liberators of the Eighth Air Force Saturday attacked rail yards at Bingen and in the Coblenz area of southwest Germany, bombing through dense clouds. Adverse weather grounded Eighth aircraft yesterday.

Pursuit pilots reported shooting down 28 of about 50 German fighters which pounced on some B24 groups in the Bingen area. Eleven U.S. bombers and eight fighters were lost.

Meanwhile, it was disclosed that Eighth Air Force and RAF heavies dropped a total of 96,880 tons of bombs on Germany last month. An additional 2,800 tons were loosed on enemy-occupied territory.

The Eighth dispatched 16,500 heavy bombers and more than 13,600 fighters in November. Pursuit pilots shot down 464 enemy planes and destroyed 136 more on the ground. The bombers' gunners bagged another 36 Nazi craft in the air.

U.S. losses were 184 heavies and 108 fighters.

Italy-based 15th Air Force B17s and B24s yesterday pounded military objectives in Vienna.

West Front -

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along the approaches to the Roer River, a mile distant on this sector.

The Ninth Army, battling eastward in the zone on the left flank of the First, threw back two counter-attacks west of Linder and continued to fight inside Linnich. Strong enemy artillery fire was met in the Linder battle.

Prisoners taken by the Ninth said that the Germans opposing Lt. Gen. William Simpson's forces had suffered very severe casualties and that some companies had only 20 men remaining.

A United Press correspondent with the Ninth Army said that, judging from identification of prisoners, about 35 per cent of the German units on the Western Front were being concentrated opposite the relatively short Ninth Army zone. In between the Roer and the Rhine, to the east, the Germans were said to be extremely busy and a staff officer hazarded the opinion that a sizable engagement was shaping up.

Dispatches said that the Ninth was battling in the outskirts of Julich, which spans the Roer southeast of Linnich.

According to United Press, the Seventh Army was pushing on to the Alsatian plain on the Rhine west bank north of Strasbourg, where the three bridges from that city to Kehl on the east bank were blown up Saturday after the Germans had withdrawn under cover of fog.

In Holland British Second Army troops penetrated at some points into the defense perimeter around the border town of Venlo, which stands on both sides of the Maas.

German News Agency said Nazi commando troops had blown up a dam along the lower Rhine and flooded British positions over a large area southwest of Arnhem.

War Visits a Town

Nazis Returned, Then Yanks, But Only the Dead Remain

By Jimmy Cannon
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE 80TH DIVISION, Third Army, Dec. 3—Now the dead hold Farbersviller. Once the enemy did and then we came. They returned and so did we. But today only the dead are there, and the fish in the shallow creek are all that live in the town in the basin between the disfigured hills.

"We got into the town in the morning and had driven them beyond the creek by dark," said Lt. Col. William J. Bordston, of Fort Worth, Tex., commanding officer of the Third Battalion of the 317th Infantry Regiment. Bordston, 15 years of Army time behind him at 30, is a tall, broken-nosed Army boxer, once light heavyweight champion of Hawaii. "I was in my CP in a house in the town when it happened."

The tanks came first over the hard-bottomed creek, followed by the infantry on the run and in half tracks. They spread through the town spraying fire like insane gardeners with deadly hoses. "I was standing naked in the house. They were all over the town and the battalion took cover in houses and cellars."

"The concussion of grenadiers made the CP shiver in its foundations. They came through the window."

"A machine-gun poked into the doorway and raked the long dark hall."

"I didn't have a gunner so I took off

In addition to the 277,000 Japanese killed in combat, 250,000 are in isolated pockets, cut off from battle or rescue. Japanese dead since 1937, date of the outbreak of Japan's war with China, totals about 850,000. Japan now has about 2,000,000 troops in China.

In a detailed summation of the characteristics, equipment and organization of Japanese troops, based on War Department data, the OWI said Japan "is nowhere near the bottom of the barrel in fighting reserves" and can recruit added millions from subject nations.

Teaches Lot of Things
The War Department reported that "war against Japan has taught American fighting men a number of things, but perhaps the most important is that there is no such thing as impassable terrain, even in the jungle." It said the Japanese believed strongly in sudden offensive action, and often attacked prematurely.

Japanese are hard, fanatical fighters, "but despite their extensive training and confidence in the bayonet, they have not been outstanding in close combat."

Major weakness of the Jap war machine, the OWI said, lies in its artillery. It lacks variety, concentration and marksmanship, and appears unable to make full use of its equipment.

Point to Education
The War Department, the OWI said, vehemently denied that the Jap was a "stupid, insensate peasant," and pointed to his two years of high-school education, which also is the median level of the American doughboy. Furthermore, between 40 and 50 per cent of all Jap soldiers have studied English, and about one-fourth of the Japanese Army speaks English "efficiently."

Jap pay standards are "astonishingly low," the OWI said, although "cost-of-living" increases from 80 to 100 per cent have been granted. A buck private in the Jap Army as of December, 1941, received only \$1.38 to \$2.07 per month, compared with the present \$50 for the American GI.

Jap sergeants monthly are paid \$6.99, against \$78 for U.S. sergeants; Jap second lieutenants, \$16.29, to the American \$150; Jap captains, \$35.65, to the American \$200; Jap colonels, \$85.10, to the American \$333.33; and Jap generals, \$126.55, to the American \$667.67.

Home Guard Calls It a Day

Britain's Home Guard—on whom Prime Minister Churchill had relied in the dark days following Dunkirk to fight the Germans on the beaches "and in the streets" should the occasion have arisen—had a "stand down" parade in London yesterday.

Organized 4½ years ago, the HG—consisting of men too old or unfit for service or engaged on important war jobs—will not be fully mustered out despite the "stand down" ceremony. They will still be on call for service, HG leaders emphasized.

Among the paraders yesterday there was a small unit of Americans—mainly business men—who were in the HG, as a special unit, long before Pearl Harbor.

King George VI, in his role as Colonel-in-Chief of the HG, paid tribute last night to the "patient, ungrudging" members of the HG. "You have built and maintained a force able to play an essential part in the defense of our threatened soil and liberty," he said.

for the regiment and came back with the tanks."

In the streets, enemy voices shouted, "Colonel Smith says it's okay to surrender, Yanks."

"Col. Bordston came back riding on a tank and shot the first three Jerries he saw with his tommy-gun," said Maj. E. S. Barszcz, of Pittsfield, Mass., executive officer.

In a barn across from the CP, S/Sgt. Graydon A. Rief, of Cincinnati, sat at his radio, and three times sent a message as German infantry battered at the door. "They made it bend, but they couldn't break it. The funny thing was, the door wasn't even locked," said Rief.

"We pushed them back," said Bordston. "They never did get us out of that town. We were ordered out next morning."

Accused Inventor Of Flying Bomb Held

PARIS, Dec. 3 (Reuters)—Georges Claude, who is accused of having invented the flying bomb and of having sold his invention to the Germans, has been imprisoned on charges of treating with the enemy. He is described as a supporter of total collaboration with the Nazis. Before the war his scientific work gained him membership in the French Academy.

Who's to Be The Man?

President Roosevelt, Vice-President Henry A. Wallace and T/Sgt. Clive T. Yancey, of Tallahassee, Fla., are among nominees by readers of The Stars and Stripes to be the GI Man of the Year.

The Stars and Stripes will name The Man in a couple of weeks. So there is still time for GIs to get in their nominations—with a letter of no more than 50 words telling why.

Mr. Roosevelt was suggested by Sgt. J. R. S. because "he has established himself as the world's greatest representative of peace and democracy."

"With him more than with any other," the sergeant says, "ride the world's hopes for everlasting peace and justice. No other man has ever held the world's respect and confidence as he does."

"Henry Agard Wallace is my choice," wrote Cpl. Jack Leskoff. "He could have been silent and won renomination. He chose to declare openly his wish for a more progressive U.S. in which an item like the poll tax must go. Though defeated, he continues his work."

But a master sergeant in a bomb group is unmoved by great names. For him The Man is Yancey—and here's why: "He landed in France on D-6, fought through St. Lo, Normandy and southern France, was wounded three times, buried alive once, was a PW for three days and was decorated for rescuing wounded under fire although hit himself. Is now in a hospital, recovering from a bayonet wound."

Allies Strafe Reds in Error

ALLIED HQ, Mediterranean, Dec. 3 (Reuters)—A 15th Air Force fighter squadron on a strafing mission over Yugoslavia attacked a Russian column Nov. 1 because of "a mistake in target identification through faulty navigation," it was announced today.

"The incident was promptly reported by the squadron when development of gun-camera film verified the error," the announcement said. "The U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff in Washington expressed their deep regret to Moscow."

Kinman - - -

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takes to pass Western Reserve requirements, but boy, I sure would like to try."

The Western Reserve offer was made Friday by University President W. F. Lautner, who explained that under the GI Bill of Rights Kinman could complete his pre-med training, two years more of advanced training, and, "if he passes this successfully, Western Reserve will see him through the rest of the course."

Kinman, an only son of a widowed mother, Mrs. Mary Kinman, said: "Mother and my three sisters will be really proud of me now. They would have liked for me to be a doctor more than anything else in the world, but I guess like me they just figured it out of the question because of the money angle."

Franc Exchange Value For GIs Called Crime

PARIS, Dec. 2 (Delayed)—Exchange value of the dollar in francs was called a "crime" yesterday by two members of the House Military Affairs Committee, which recently arrived in France.

Foremost GI gripe heard by the group was the limited value of the dollar when translated into francs, according to Reps. J. Parnell Thomas (R.-N.J.) and Ivor D. Fenton (R.-Pa.), both World War I veterans.

Hinting that the rate of exchange would be investigated by the committee, Thomas said that the American people had received no hint of the soldiers' monetary problem in France.

A combat soldier in Paris on pass, he said, apparently broke shortly after he arrives. He added that the Congressmen would "be broke soon, too."

Greek Police Open Fire On Demonstrators

By Stephen Barber
Associated Press Correspondent

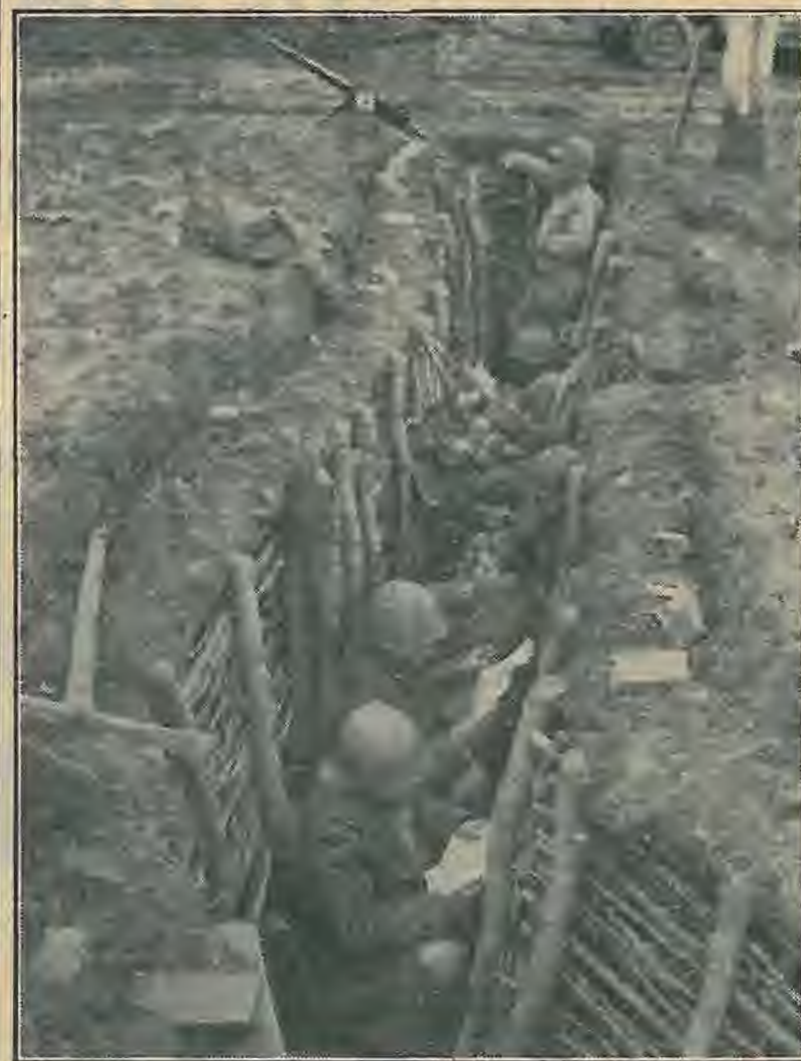
ATHENS, Dec. 3—Police opened fire on EAM and Communist demonstrators in Constitution Square here today.

The clashes were the outcome of Premier Papandreou's ban, issued last night, on demonstrations called by the Central Committee of the EAM (National Liberation Movement).

The EAM said 15 persons were killed and 148 wounded.

British Sherman tanks, scout cars and armored cars patrolled the streets tonight, while RAF and Greek aircraft and U.S. transport planes circled over the city.

When the Battle Dies Down



Having satisfied their appetites with K-rations, men of a U.S. armored unit smoke, read and relax in a captured Nazi trench near the German border while a buddy keeps on the alert with a machine-gun.



Here's one Joe who probably does justice to a cut of spare ribs. He's chasing a pair of oinking porkers in Metz, at a time when fighting was still going on in the city.



To these boys in Zweifall, Germany, this old metal tub has the clean touch of porcelain tile. Taking a bath is Cpl. Cecil Snyder, of Spruckin, N.C. Buddies waiting their turns are, left to right, Pvt. Phil O'Reilly, of Brooklyn; Pfc Reginald Adare, of Boston, and Pvt. John C. Pairs, of Fairhaven, Mass.

Must Strain for Victory, German Farmers Told

It's T/S on the German agricultural front these days, what with the lack of manure—artificial or otherwise. Agricultural Councilor Glahn, broadcasting to German peasants, said according to UP: "Peasants must therefore create manure out of their own strength, or, if necessary, by community action."

Life in Those United States

War-Supply Crisis Halts Reconversion Program

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3—To meet the crying demands from battle fronts for more supplies, WPB announced over the weekend that for a period of at least 90 days it would authorize no new civilian production under the "spot reconversion plans" in areas where labor shortages are acute.

The statement came almost simultaneously with a warning—his second in 24 hours—by Lt. Gen. Brehon B. Somervell, chief of the Army Services Forces, that industry was not keeping up with demand on 40 per cent of the major items on the armed forces program, and that 17 per cent of these items were in "critical short" supply.

Meantime, Paul V. McNutt, head of the WMC, further explaining the civilian goods' curb, stated a "manpower situation of the utmost seriousness exists in certain areas of critical production." The list was said to include 126 cities, among them Chicago, Detroit, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

The official warnings coincided with a statement by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York that war-production goals for the current six months called for a bigger volume of supplies than achieved in any previous six months. The goal was given as \$67,000,000,000, about ten billions above the figures for the same period in 1943.

Ike a Cook, Too
ELIZABETHVILLE, Pa., Dec. 3 (ANS)—According to his aunt, Gen. Eisenhower is "as good a cook as he is a general." Mrs. Christian Musser, of Abilene, Kan., visiting here, said the general had to take turns "helping with the housework when a youth, and I must say he can cook as well as any person."

Dad's Medals to Child
ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 3 (ANS)—Three-year-old Mary Ruth Kaylor yesterday was presented with two Army decorations which had been awarded to her father, Lt. Jasper W. Kaylor, of Atlanta, who failed to return from a bombing raid over Europe recently.

Same Old Stand
CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 3 (ANS)—Under "class-notes" the Harvard Alumni Bulletin contains the following notation: "1904—Franklin D. Roosevelt, no change of address."

Elliott Roosevelt Weds
YAZAPAI POINT, Ariz., Dec. 3 (UP)—Col. Elliott Roosevelt and actress Faye Emerson were married here today after flying from Hollywood. Miss Emerson said the marriage would not interfere with her film work.

The Salesman Becomes a Success as Lobbyist
GLENVIEW, Mont., Dec. 3 (ANS)—The traveling salesman could see every seat in the hotel lobby was taken and he was tired from a busy day.

Going to the telephone, he dialed, then said in his most confidential tone to a friend:

"Hello, Bill, did you know that they just got some cigarettes at the grocery up the street?"

Returning to the lobby, he had his choice of chairs.

'N.Y. Ready for V3'
NEW YORK, Dec. 3 (Reuter)—"Our forces are ready," announced Police Inspector Arthur Wallander, commenting on a Nazi threat to use V3 against New York. Meanwhile, Mayor LaGuardia, appealing for volunteer defense workers, chimed in: "Be on your toes right up to the very minute that the news comes the fighting is over in Europe."

Oppose Peace Draft
CHICAGO, Dec. 3 (ANS)—The Board of Managers of the Congress of Parents and Teachers yesterday reaffirmed its opposition to the immediate adoption of a program of post-war compulsory training. Action on the proposal should await the determination of specific needs, the board said.

Senate Has a Jam Session on Locked Bumpers
WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 (ANS)—What the U.S. needs, according to Sen. James M. Mead (D-N.Y.) (and a few others), are automobile bumpers that bump instead of lock with other bumpers.

Mead sounded off yesterday against bumper coupling in a Senate committee study of Army ordnance relations with automobile manufacturers.

"The American automobile industry is the world's best," Mead said, "but they ought to take care of that bumper problem."

All of which prompted Sen. Homer Ferguson (R-Mich.) to ask: "How do you expect them to sell fenders if they do that?"

Gene Autry Hits Studio
LOS ANGELES, Dec. 3 (ANS)—Gene Autry, now a flight officer in the Air Forces, figures Republic studios aren't doing right by him. He said here that the studio was building up Roy Rogers to replace him and that therefore a one-time happy relationship was at an end.

Rickenbacker Buys 14 Planes
NEW YORK, Dec. 3 (ANS)—Purchase of 14 Lockheed Constellations for delivery "at such time as the war situation permits" was announced yesterday by President Eddie Rickenbacker of Eastern Air Lines.

It's Mutual, Milady
ANGOLA, N.Y., Dec. 3 (ANS)—The local high school polled students on what they'd like in the post-war period. First choice among the women—men.

Just to Look at This Is Male Suffrage



Grandmother probably has a precise adjective for this, but anyway, this is what the cigarette shortage has done to co-eds. Four Iowa U. lasses do a bit of cramming around a sorority house table, puffing corncobs with the dexterity of a secretary taking dictation with a telegraph pole.

This Vickers Causes No Recoil



Martha Vickers has just been handed her first big role, sharing klieg beams and sound track with leering, ratchet-voiced Humphrey Bogart in a film called "The Big Sleep." That's a bathing suit.

One Third of War's Sorties Flown in Last 4 Months

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 (ANS)—Emphasizing the temper of the air war, an AAF spokesman revealed that since Pearl Harbor U.S. planes had flown 1,500,000 combat sorties, 500,000 of them in the last four months.

The 1,000,000th sortie was flown July 8, the 500,000th last February. Figures disclosed that in the last four months American planes flew as many sorties as in the first 26 months of war.

Approximately three-quarters of the missions—or 1,127,723—were flown against the Germans and 370,528 against the Japanese.

Air power, especially mighty B29 Superfortresses, will play a mounting role against Japan, the spokesman said, with more frequent operations from Saipan bases than from China because the supply problem is less difficult.

"Everything is being done to augment present facilities for striking at Japan," he added. "As Gen. Arnold (Henry H. Arnold, head of the Army Air Forces) said, Tokyo strikes were not hit-and-run affairs, but the formal opening of a campaign that will continue to grow."

He warned against the popular fallacy that Tokyo was a tinder city, and said that the air forces were not deluded by such beliefs when they employed incendiary bombs in recent attacks. Incendiaries have proven highly effective against industrial targets, he said, frequently doing more damage than high explosives.

The situation in China was affected by the loss of Nanking, last U.S. air base in South China, but operations of the 14th Air Force will not be halted, the spokesman said. Attacks on Jap shipping along the China coast will continue from American bases to the west, and from bases in eastern China. The latter are cut off by Japanese ground forces, but are still in Chinese hands and can be supplied by air, the spokesman said.

Pittsburgh Tops 6 Cities in War Loan Campaign

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 (ANS)—Pittsburgh led six other major cities today in the Sixth War Loan drive to determine which of the metropolitan centers would be the first to reach its quota.

The Steel City, with 33.8 per cent of its quota achieved, topped Philadelphia, Washington, St. Louis, Boston and San Francisco.

Meantime, it was reported total individual sales in the drive rolled along on schedule with \$1,211,000,000 in.

Rookie
MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 3 (ANS)—Hopping off a train, an Army sergeant found himself engulfed among 125 Girl Scouts standing in the station. Three privates spotting the red-eared non-com added to his embarrassment yelling, "Oho, so that's the outfit you belong to!"

Prexy Totes Her Books In Co-ed War Bondage

EVANSTON, Ill., Dec. 3 (ANS)—Wearing a green freshman cap, Dr. Franklin B. Snyder, president of Northwestern University, carried a senior co-ed's books to classes, keeping a promise he made at the school's War Bond rally.

The promise was to carry the books of the student who purchased the highest number of War Bonds.

"It's been a long time since I carried books to school for a young girl," he said.

Blame Erring Judgment for Pearl Harbor

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 (AP)—Errors of judgment both in Washington and Hawaii are blamed by War and Navy Department inquiry boards for the disaster at Pearl Harbor that brought the U.S. into the war three years ago.

Although the boards said they had uncovered no grounds for general court-martial proceedings, Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson and Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal said they would continue investigations of their own.

With release of the War and Navy inquiry boards' statements last night, demands came immediately from Congress, chiefly among Republicans, for Congressional investigation of why Japan was able to achieve its sneak attack Dec. 7, 1941. Many Democrats, however, stated the Stimson-Forrestal statements should end the matter.

But Forrestal asserted he was "not satisfied" the inquiry had gone far enough. Stimson said he agreed with some but not all of the conclusions of the boards.

On the question of fault, the Navy's statement said, "The Secretary has found there were errors of judgment on the part of certain officers in the naval service both at Pearl Harbor and Washington."

Stimson said "The Army Pearl Harbor board, although it recommended no disciplinary or other action, concluded there were several officers in the field and in the War Department who did not perform their duties with the necessary skill or exercise of judgment which were required under the circumstances."

Speaking of Lt. Gen. Walter C. Short, who commanded the Hawaiian Department, Stimson said, "I am of the opinion his errors of judgment were of such a nature as to demand his relief from command status."

Forrestal made no direct reference to Rear Adm. Husband E. Kimmel, Navy commander at Hawaii at the time of the disaster.

Findings of the inquiry boards will not be made public during the war.

Urge Express Auto Roads

CINCINNATI, Dec. 3 (ANS)—The American Association of State Highway Officials was told yesterday that express automobile routes through cities would solve future traffic problems better than the widening of present streets.

Hal G. Sours, Ohio highway director, declared that widening streets always presented problems of condemnation and easements, while express highway could be located on "blighted or undeveloped property as much as possible."

Meantime, George S. Gordon, of the Public Roads Administration, said roadside parks offered the best sites for war memorials but warned against locating them too near cities and towns where he said "changes in their use" could be expected.

Marines' Gen. Smith Given Pacific Command

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3 (ANS)—Appointment of Marine Maj. Gen. Julian C. Smith as commanding general of the Department of the Pacific, with headquarters in San Francisco, was announced yesterday. Smith replaces Maj. Gen. J. C. Fagan, now in Mare Island Naval Hospital.

Distaff Preference
RUTLAND, Va., Dec. 3 (ANS)—Vermont and New Hampshire, two relatively low-populated states, elected 79 women legislators to general assemblies in the last election, a final check of returns has disclosed.

Magazine Rips 'Black Market' In U.S. Illegitimate Children

NEW YORK, Dec. 3—America's "most shameful black market" was described in the current issue of the Woman's Home Companion as being the "baby-selling racket."

Charging that more than half of America's illegitimate children were being bought and sold through commercial adoption agencies, the magazine urged that the various states pass laws making it extremely difficult for mothers to get rid of their unwanted babies.

"The mothers gladly sign relinquishment papers," the magazine asserted. "They are relieved that their doctor bills will be paid and the child taken care of. The same problem exists in Britain, where registered adoption societies are gravely concerned at the appalling lack of foresight on the part of women who casually hand over their babies to anyone who will pay for them, and at the equally casual way foster-parents accept them without any guarantee that the child will develop normally."

Behind the "baby-selling racket"—as there is behind most black markets—is an unprecedented demand. This time the demand is from baby-hungry women, the magazine claimed. One woman who heads an adoption agency in an eastern city boasted recently that she made \$20,000 a year in child-traffic, the magazine said.

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NOTE: Lack of space forces us to limit
all letters published to not more than 200
words.—Ed.

The People of Aachen
Nov. 23, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
It seems that what to do with Aachen
and its people is presenting a considerable
problem to the U.S. government.
How can it be such a problem? Did the
Nazis take this into consideration when
they so ruthlessly destroyed so many
countries? Why not invite all these poor
people of Aachen to the States and fur-
nish them with homes and comforts (and
all the rest of the things we are fighting
for)?
Let's worry a little more about our
boys at the front, and there is plenty of
time to worry about those superhuman
people when we have obtained complete
victory. Is it not true that a skunk is a
harmless-looking animal?! — Three
wounded infantrymen and a sailor, Hosp.
Plant.

Crossed-Up Crossword
Nov. 22, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
This is not a gripe or complaint, just
inquisitive. Something new, being a GI!
Anyhow—I worked out Monday's cross-
word puzzle, Nov. 20, with a few of the
chaps, and there was an argument about
10 across—I called it approaches, but in
doing that, why, it wouldn't fill in the
spaces properly. We looked at Tuesday's
puzzle, and couldn't find the puzzle
worked out. Is that just an error, or was
the original puzzle wrong?—A couple
of anxious GIs and me, a happily married
GI, T/5 H. Solomon, Port. Co.
[Monday's solution was delayed until
Friday, owing to the fact that our cross-
word puzzle expert mislaid his dictionary
in which he later got crossed up. He did
make an error on spelling Approaches.
You have a right to gripe.—Ed.]

CDD for Sports Writers
Nov. 20, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
We all want a CDD, for the information
of those who want to listen to a bitch
with more than our own feelings behind
it. In your sports news today we read
one paragraph that burns us. . . . Please
explain why Spud Chandler, Red Ruffing
and Joe DiMaggio can get those slips of
paper, when we have to go back for
seconds. . . .—The Boys from Iowa Hut
who are waiting for Seconds, J. R. Trees,
K. Hall, J. Calvert, J. Cassatt, D. Gray,
M. Rhea, J. Sammon, W. Mills, W.
Towie, C. Trippett, K. Moom.
[They got those slips of paper only in
some sports writers' dreams. Guess you
must have misread that paragraph, which
said: "Sports writers who while away their
dull afternoons firing managers and selling
ball players during peace-time have hit on
a new scheme to fill space. When things
get dull these days, they just up and give
some players a CDD and get the home
team an automatic pennant. Among those
recently discharged that way are Spud
Chandler, Red Ruffing, and, of course, Joe
DiMaggio."—Ed.]

Bundles for Tinbenders
Nov. 16, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
We read that the Fleet Post Office
doesn't require our friends and families
to show requests from us to send us
parcels. We would like to know if you
can find any official information on the
subject. . . .—USN Tinbenders of
Hut 3A.
[The Fleet Post Office says your friends
and families can send you parcels, without
showing a request from you, under these
conditions: A—Not more than one parcel
per week; B—Each parcel not to weigh
more than 5 lbs.—Ed.]

All 'Good' Heinies Dead
Nov. 27, 1944

Dear Stars and Stripes,
In response to Sgt. Robert Alexander,
. . . Fella, I think you are a bit off the
beam with your reasoning about all Ger-
mans not being bad. I'm just a "pill
roller," as you put it. I have kept my
feet and clothes dry, and probably never
will see the Continent, but I've seen my
fill of casualties coming back from over-
there. Kids all bunged up by bullets and
steel from those Heinie guns. Who are
we to say that this kid was shot by a
"bad" German and this one by a "good"
one?
Master Race? Hell, man, you should
see some of the sad sacks come back as
POWs. The crummiest, stinkiest bunch
of so-and-so's that ever walked, but any
of them would shoot you in the back
of the head if given the chance. In the
words of the layman, I've only seen one
"good" German. He conked out three
hours before I got there. Yep! I'd say
he was a good "good" German.—
J. C. H., 2/Lt., MAC.

Hash Marks

One-act play. The GI offered his girl
a Scotch and soda. She reclined.
* * *
Signs of the times. The following
advertisement appeared in the classified
columns of an Indiana daily: "Wanted
good, clean husband who gets a pension
and doesn't drink."
* * *
Yes, Diogenes, we've found an
"honest" woman. A WAC who had just
got a promotion was congratulated and



asked why she got the boost. "Oh," she
replied, "they gave me the extra stripe so
I wouldn't be over-age in grade."
* * *
T/5 Hal Golden asks the \$64 question:
"If an American soldier is a GI Joe, is
a Japanese soldier a To-Joe?"
* * *
GI philosophy. If a girl expects to
win a husband she ought to exhibit a
generous nature or else how generous
nature has been to her.
* * *
Observation. A man with circles under
his eyes has usually been making the
rounds.
* * *
WAC philosophy. God made women
without a sense of humor so they could
love men instead of laugh at them.
* * *
A GI songwriter is working on a tune
called "Those Pay - Day - Minus - One
Blues." The tune, appropriately enough,
goes from bar to bar with too few notes.
* * *
Another unsigned verse left in our
typewriter:
He asked for burning kisses,
She answered low and cool,
"I may be a red hot mama,
But I ain't nobody's fuel."
* * *
Note to the QM. If the fag shortage
continues, maybe offices could be



equipped with spittoons. Some of this
chewing tobacco isn't bad.
* * *
"I can remember," muses T/15
Abraham Rosen, "When FFI meant full
field inspection."
* * *
The wife of a GI was having trouble
getting junior to eat his meal. She urged,
"Now be a good soldier, like Daddy, and
eat your dinner." Snapped the quiz kid,
"Okay, pass the blankety-blank chow!"
J. C. W.



A Nurse Writes the Editorial
An Editorial

On Nov. 7, the letter below, addressed to every wounded
American soldier on the Continent, was printed in the Paris
edition of The Stars and Stripes. It was written by 2/Lt.
Frances Slinger, a nurse in a U.S. Army field hospital who
waded ashore with a hospital platoon on D-4. She mailed the
letter on Oct. 21. That evening, 2/Lt. Slinger was killed
by a German shell as she huddled together with two other
nurses in her tent during a 45-minute enemy barrage in the
hospital area. She was the first American nurse in the
ETO to die in action. "The wounded do not cry," she
wrote. As she lay dying in the arms of her friends, she
uttered no word of complaint. She was concerned about
the grief her death would bring her family in Boston. She
was buried in a military cemetery, flanked on either side by
the men she served. Her letter is the finest epitaph for
Frances Slinger that could have been written.

Editor, Stars and Stripes:
We hope you will be able to find room for the enclosed
article. You see, we had many of these men as patients and
that is just the way we feel about it and them. For a change
we want them to know how much we think of them.—
2/Lt. Frances Y. Slinger, ANC.

It is 0200 and I have been lying awake for one hour,
listening to the steady, even breathing of the other three
nurses in the tent. Thinking about some of the things we
had discussed during the day. The rain is beating down on the
tent with a torrential force. The wind is on a mad rampage and
its main objective seems to be to lift the tent off its poles and
fling it about our heads.

Nursing a Spark
The fire is burning low and just a few live coals are on the
bottom. With the slow feeding of wood, and finally coal, a
roaring fire is started. I couldn't help thinking how similar to
a human being a fire is; if it is allowed to run down too low and
if there is a spark of life left in it, it can be nursed back. . . .
So can a human being. It is slow, it is gradual, it is done all
the time in these Field Hospitals and other hospitals in the
ETO.

We had read several articles in different magazines and
papers sent in by a grateful GI, praising the work of the
nurses around the combat areas. Praising us—for what? I
climbed back into my cot. Lt. Bowler was the only one I had
awakened. I whispered to her. Lt. Cox and Lt. Powers slept
on. Fine nurses and great girls to live with. . . . of course, like

Of Borscht and a Blonde
Reds Fete Downed Lib Crew
As Friday the 13th Heroes

By S. Chavkin
Stars and Stripes Special Correspondent
EASTERN COMMAND HQ,
USSTAF, USSR, Dec. 3—It was just
another mission over Germany when the
GIs and their officers recently got into
their Liberator at a 15th AF base in Italy.
But before the day—Friday, the 13th—
was over, they were saying: "It certainly
is a cock-eyed world." For they were
heroes in Russian eyes and on Russian
soil.
Their B24, ridden with flak, was forced
to drop out of formation over German-
held territory. By some "miracle" they
landed at a Russian air base.

Official Welcoming Group
No sooner did the Lib touch the ground
than an unofficial welcoming committee—
"a Czechoslovakian colonel, male and
female Russian fighter-pilots, mechanics,
civilian maintenance men, all speaking
Russian, Hungarian and a dozen other
languages, except English," according to
a crew member—rushed out to greet
them.
One language the Americans did under-
stand, however—food, and plenty of it.
Ushered with great fanfare into a dining
room, they sat down to a typical Russian

repastr: borscht (beet and cabbage soup),
steak, potatoes, tea, bread and butter and
cake. The boys soon discovered they
were expected to eat a similar meal four
times a day and they couldn't keep up
with it.
Highlight of their Russian adventure
took place that evening when they were
taken to see an American play in the town
theater—which was spoken in Polish.
Cheer the Americans
But the play was forgotten when the
audience discovered the American air-
men sitting in the front row. When the
curtain was brought down on the first
act the crowd began cheering the Ameri-
cans. Spotlights were thrown on the
embarrassed Yanks, and dozens of auto-
graph hunters pressed toward them.
A young blonde nestled close to Sgt.
Mark M. Harwood, Moorfield, W. Va.
She said, "My heart belongs to you
Daaty!"
But Harwood didn't have time to find
out where her heart really belonged, for
they were taken back to the field, where
a C47 waited. Soon they were back to
reality—a GI base.
Crew members, beside Harwood, in-
cluded: Lt. John T. McWhorter, Chicago,
Ill.; Lt. James P. Jensen, Detroit, Mich.;
Sgt. E. Rostedt, Brooklyn, Conn.; Sgt.
W. A. Meehan, Saratoga Springs, N.Y.;
Sgt. Thomas Napady and Sgt. Edward M.
Novak, Chicago, Ill.; Lt. Howard W.
Meule, Clinton, Pa., and F/O. Robert L.
McCulloch, Sierra Madre, Cal.

in all families, an occasional quarrel, but these were quickly
forgotten.
I'm writing this by flashlight. In this light it looks some-
thing like a "dive." In the center of the tent are two poles,
one part chimney, the other a plain tent pole. Kindling wood
lies in disorderly confusion on the damp ground. We don't
have a tarp on the ground. A French wine pitcher, filled with
water, stands by. The GIs say we rough it. We in our little
tent can't see it. True, we are set up in tents, sleep on cots and
are subject to the temperament of the weather.
We wade ankle deep in mud. You have to lie in it. We
are restricted to our immediate area, a cow pasture or hay
field, but then, who is not restricted? We have a stove and
coal. We even have a laundry line in the tent. Our GI drawers
are at this moment doing the dance of the pants what with the
wind howling, the tent waving precariously, the rain beating
down, the guns firing, and me with a flashlight, writing. It
all adds up to a feeling of unreality.

Sure, we rough it, but in comparison to the way you men
are taking it, we can't complain, nor do we feel that bouquets
are due us. But you, the men behind the guns, the men driving
our tanks, flying our planes, sailing our ships, building bridges
and to the men who pave the way and to the men who are
left behind—it is to you we doff our helmets. To every GI
wearing the American uniform, for you we have the greatest
admiration and respect.

The Injured Kid Us
Yes this time we are handing out the bouquets . . . but
after taking care of some of your buddies; seeing them when
they are brought in bloody, dirty with the earth, mud and
grime, and most of them so tired. Somebody's brothers,
somebody's fathers and somebody's sons. Seeing them gradu-
ally brought back to life, to consciousness and to see their lips
separate into a grin when they first welcome you. Usually they
kid, hurt as they are. It doesn't amaze us to hear one of
them say, "How'd ya babe," or "Holy Mackerel, an American
woman!" or most indiscreetly, "How about a kiss?"
These soldiers stay with us but a short time, from ten days
to possibly two weeks. We have learned a great deal about our
American soldier, and the stuff he is made of. The wounded
do not cry. Their buddies come first. The patience and
determination they show, the courage and fortitude they have
is sometimes awesome to behold. It is we who are proud to
be here. Rough it? No. It is a privilege to be able to
receive you, and a great distinction to see you open your eyes
and with that swell American grin, say, "Hi-ya babe!"—2/Lt.
Frances Slinger, 2/Lt. Christine Cox, 2/Lt. Margaret M.
Bowler, 1/Lt. Elizabeth F. Powers, ANC.

Nazi Prison
Was One Big
Crematorium

By Dan Regan
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
STRUTHF CONCENTRATION
CAMP, Dec. 3—Atop a misty Vosges
mountain jutting 2,700 feet into the
clouds on the road from St. Die to
Strasbourg was a German concentration
camp where one out of every four
prisoners ended up in a little earthenware
jug the size of a flower-pot.
Perhaps not so efficient and coldly
methodical as Lublin, the camp here in
Alsace was one of the world's most eerie
prisons. To reach it, one had to climb
a long, winding mountain road with hair-
pin turns and breathtaking drops into a
peaceful green valley. Near the top, the
valley disappeared and the road led into
a low-hanging mist that covered the
mountain's peak. The gate was guarded
by machine-gun emplacements. Towers
with huge searchlights were at every
corner. There were two parallel rows of
high barbed-wire fence, the inner one
charged with high-tension electricity. But
the entrance was prosaic compared with
the usual method of departure.
The crematory was a long, low,
scientific, gadget-operated building. For
those few exceptional prisoners who died
natural deaths from disease, malnutrition
or sheer exhaustion from overwork
there was a morgue. Above the morgue
was the oven.

Rollled Out of Coffins
The bodies were rolled out of the
coffin-like boxes in which they were filed
and shelved, and placed on a stretcher
shaped lift. They were raised to the floor
above and lifted from the elevator onto
a slab by means of huge tongs. The slab
was then inserted into the oven. The
ashes were placed in earthenware urns
and presumably shipped to the nearest
relative.

Right off the crematory oven-room was
another white-walled, cement-floored
room. Here, according to the Alsatian
caretaker who had worked for the Ger-
mans, those who tried to escape were
taken, shoved toward the center of the
room and shot in the head.
There was a drain in the center of the
sloping floor for the blood to run down
—and bloodstains still were on the floor.
In the rear of the building was a strange
table of white enamel-like tile with small
gutters almost like Vs leading toward a
drain. The caretaker said it was a sort
of operating table with the little gutters
for blood—but he did know what kind
of operations.
Another building contained the gas
chamber for mass executions. Ordinary
prisoners were stood up against a hill
and shot.
During the last few days of the camp's
existence 380 prisoners who were too ill
or feeble to move conveniently were
killed. The ovens worked day and night.
It took three days to reduce all the bodies
to ashes.

Yank Discovers Photo
Of Self in Nazi Home
WITH NINTH ARMY, Dec. 3
(Reuter)—Col. Charles J. Barrett,
artillery commander with the 84th
Infantry Division, walked into a
German house and found a picture of
himself, French, Dutch and Japanese
officers taken at the Olympic Games
in Los Angeles in 1932. The colonel
was a lieutenant then and an athlete.

AFN Radio Program

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on the Road to Berlin
On Your Dial
1375 kc. 1402 kc. 1411 kc. 1420 kc. 1447 kc.
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Tuesday, December 5
0755—Sign On—Program Resume.
0800—Headlines—Combat Diary.
0815—Personal Album with Margaret Whiting.
0830—Dance Music.
0900—World News.
0905—Music by Ted Fio Rita.
0925—Music America Loves Best.
1000—Headlines—Morning After (Duffy's Tavern).
1030—Strike up the Band.
1100—Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A.
1105—Duffie Bag.
1200—News.
1205—Duffie Bag.
1300—Headlines—Sports News.
1305—NBC Symphony.
1400—Headlines—Visiting Hour.
1500—Headlines—German Lesson.
1505—Strike up the Band.
1530—On the Record.
1630—Carnival of Music.
1700—Headlines—Melody Roundup.
1715—Canadian Guest Show.
1745—Music in Three-Quarter Time.
1755—American Sports News.
1800—World News.
1805—Mark up the Map.
1810—GI Supper Club.
1900—Headlines—GI Journal with Jack Carson.
1930—Here's To Romance.
2000—Headlines—Combat Diary.
2015—Fred Waring's Pennsylvanians.
2030—American Band of the AEF (Major Glenn Miller).
2100—World News.
2105—Charlie McCarthy.
2135—Dinah Shore Show.
2200—Headlines—Home News from the U.S.A.
2205—Ten O'Clock Special.
2300—Final Edition.
2305—Sign off until 0755 hours, Wed., Dec. 6
On the Continent listen to your favorite AFN
programs over the
Allied Expeditionary Forces Program:
583 kc. 514m.
Also shortwave: 6.195mg. (49m. band) between
0800 and 1900 hours

Vox Pop-Off

QUESTION

Do you favor one-year military conscription for 18-year-olds back home after the war?

S/Sgt. John J. Cerniglia, Airborne

It's one way to harden up the younger generation—build up their bodies. It'll do them good to get away from their mothers for a change. Also, it will provide protection for American interests wherever and whenever they're endangered.



CERNIGLIA



THELMA REED

Sgt. Thelma Reed, AAF

I'm agin it. I know it isn't tough for most of us in the Army—especially WACs—except for our fighting men. I just don't like the idea of kids being put into uniform, especially at 18.

Pfc Lawrence Dodd, Inf.

Take me, I learned a lot in the Army. Kids of 18 will have similar opportunities if they're conscripted. And best of all, we won't be unprepared in the future—which looks dark as hell to me.



DODD



STARK

Pfc Gordon K. Stark, Inf.

Let's be honest. We'll need a heck of a lot of GIs to police Germany. Fighting men who are risking their lives should be sent home, and these youngsters will have to do the unpleasant job of policing.

T/Sgt. Elwood F. Arndt, SOS

You've got to make it compulsory, otherwise few will volunteer. But kids should be permitted to finish school.

One indirect benefit to them is that they will become more interested in government. They'll be better citizens.



ARNDT



EINSTEIN

T/4 Isadore Einstein, AAF

I'm for it. In case, God forbid, it ever happens again, and some nation has designs on the U.S., we'll be adequately prepared with a large group of qualified youngsters able to defend their country.

Henry H. Muller, USN

If it's compulsory, it's not too good. What about college fellows like me? Should they be taken out of school for a year? The idea isn't bad if they make provisions for those who want to go to school.



MULLER



KING

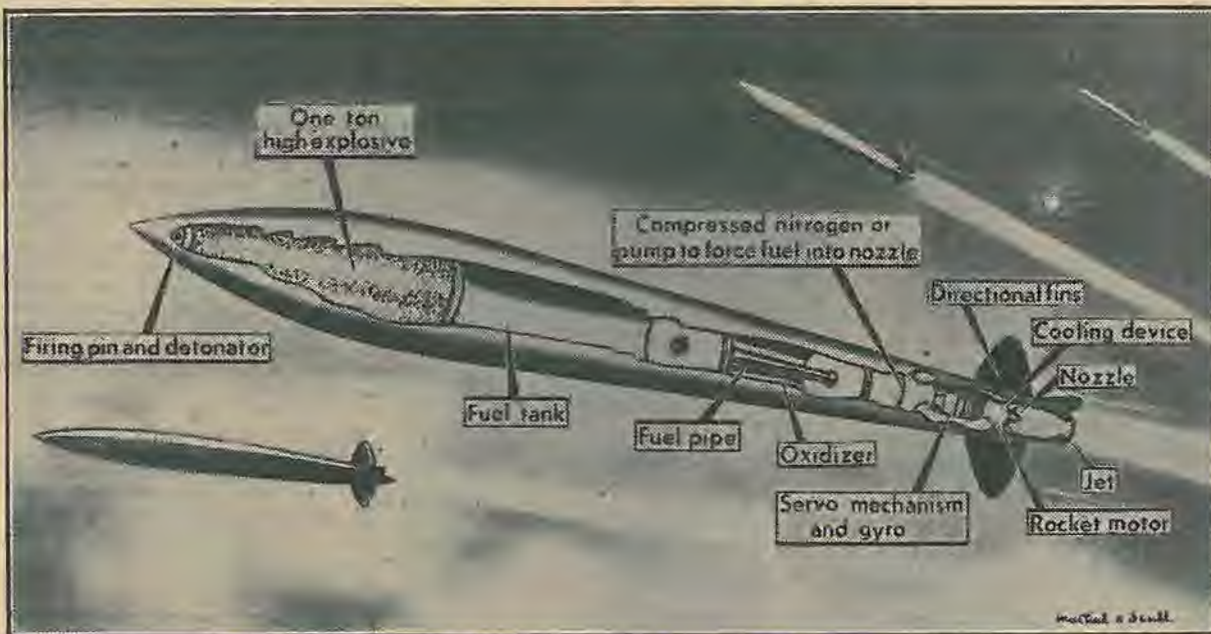
Sgt. Charles B. King, AAF

Hell, yes. It'll do our kids a lot of good, physically and mentally. Mentally, because it will take them out of their homes and show them what the outside world looks like.

Himmler Purging Nazi Officers Corps

Reuter reported yesterday that Gestapo Chief Heinrich Himmler, acting ostensibly in Hitler's name, had begun a purge of the German officers corps, replacing professional officers with Nazi indoctrinated younger men. The agency said the report was confirmed by an order from Fritz Sauckel, Reich labor mobilization commissioner, published in the Official Gazette, which said: "The Fuehrer has ordered the rejuvenation of the officers corps. A considerable number of older officers will be released."

This, Then, Is V2, According to the Artist



Here are two artists' conceptions of what V2 looks like and how it works. According to these sketches, which are based on analyses and reports from the front, the rocket is launched from a portable ramp, attains a height of 40 to 50 miles and hurtles toward its target at 3,500 miles per hour. Firing mechanism is electric and housed within the armored flash shield. The platform, which rests on hydraulic jacks to absorb the recoil, has to be cooled by water jets to prevent heat from distorting the framework.



GIs Are Asked To Make Toys For Orphans

Orphaned British children will have toys for Christmas this year despite a war shortage if nimble-fingered GIs will heed the appeal of Miss Winifred Rose, Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund secretary, and turn out some handicraft work in their spare time.

Almost any toy which a serviceman might make out of materials at hand would be acceptable, according to Miss Rose, who explained that toys for British children had become very scarce in the last five years, when very little commercial toy making has been permitted.

The toys may be delivered to The Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund office at 38 Upper Brook St. in London, Miss Rose said, or they may be mailed to The Stars and Stripes, APO 413, U.S. Army. She added that arrangements would be made for proper distribution.

Plans to entertain orphans at Christmas parties have already been made by a number of U.S. units. Last year approximately 17,000 were guests at American bases throughout the British Isles.

Seek to Step Up Belgian Imports

BRUSSELS, Dec. 3 (Reuter)—A delegation of high-ranking Allied officers, including a personal representative of Gen. Eisenhower, conferred with Premier Hubert Pierlot of Belgium to discuss means of putting Belgian ports into use as soon as possible.

A committee composed of a representative of the Supreme Commander, one American and one British expert and the secretary-general of the Belgian Ministry of Economic Affairs was appointed to study a program for increasing imports of food and industrial equipment to rehabilitate the country.

The Associated Press reported last night that though tension still existed in the Belgian capital, conditions were outwardly calm. A call by the "Independence Front" for a general strike against the Pierlot regime appeared to have gained little response in Brussels.

T/5 Wields the Baton For Dutch Symphony

MAASTRICHT, Holland, Dec. 3 (AP)—T/5 Henry S. Mazer, 26, of Pittsburgh, Pa., a member of an engineer outfit, recently conducted the Maastrecht Symphony Orchestra in its first concert since 1940, when the Germans invaded Holland.

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, ETOWSA, Ext. 2131.

Reunions

The following towns and districts will hold Reunion Dinners at 7:15 PM at the Mostyn Red Cross Club, Edgware Road next week:

MONDAY, December 4th—Magesher, Nashua, Portsmouth, Concord—New Hampshire.

TUESDAY, December 5th—Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

WEDNESDAY, December 6th—Bergen County—New Jersey.

THURSDAY, December 7th—Lambertville, N.J., New Hope, Pa.

FRIDAY, December 8th—Cleveland, Lakewood, Ohio.

College Reunion

Reunion dinner will be held at No. 3 Grosvenor Square Club on December 9, 1944, for former students of New York U. and Columbia U., at 6:30 P.M.—Reservations should be sent to The Stars and Stripes College Registration Service, Printing House Square, London, EC4.

'Bravery Above and Beyond'

By Earl Mazo

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE U.S. THIRD ARMY, Dec. 3—An indication of how Patton's tank-men fight was given in citations accompanying five Distinguished Service Crosses awarded by the Third Army General.

First Sgt. John R. Morton, Booneville, Mo., artilleryman in the Sixth Armored Division, "went after" the 88 that conked out his half track. In "getting" that gun he killed 26 Germans with his carbine, knocked out a 20-mm. flak gun, at least two machine-guns and other German pieces.

Lt. William T. Marshall, Newark, N.J., won his DSC leading tanks of his Fourth Armored Division unit over the Moselle during the first stages of the fight for the bridgeheads, blasting the sharp shoulders of the river bank with his 75s, laying timbers and debris across the canal and river bottom to keep his vehicles from bogging down, and then driving his unit across, the successful vehicles pulling out those stuck in the river bottom.

Col. John L. Hines Jr., who leads a combat team of the Sixth Armored, was decorated for personally leading infantry

across a swollen river to establish a bridgehead despite unusually heavy odds. He also saved the bridge across that river, thus stepping up Third Army advances toward Germany.

Lt. Col. Creighton W. Abrams, St. Petersburg, Fla., commander of the Fourth Armored 37th Tank Battalion attacked an enemy tank force with his own command tank and was a front leader during one of the fiercest armored battles of the war, near Arracourt.

Capt. William L. Spencer, of Marcy, N.Y., despite wounds received when his tank was knocked out, mounted another and led a unit in battle which destroyed 37 German tanks.

Across

- 1—Pictured RAF ace, J. E. —
- 7—Guides.
- 12—Late American humorist.
- 13—Exist.
- 14—Measure of area.
- 15—Also.
- 16—International language.
- 17—Small particle.
- 18—River in Italy.
- 19—Standing room only (ab.).
- 21—Aluminum (symbol).
- 22—Print measure.
- 24—Diminutive of Benjamin.
- 25—Moist.
- 27—Greek letter.
- 29—At that place.
- 31—Coronet.
- 34—Each (ab.).
- 35—Alternating current (ab.).
- 36—Musical study.
- 40—Blade.
- 43—Sun.
- 44—Charged atom.
- 45—Route (ab.).
- 47—Master of ceremonies (ab.).
- 49—Mount (ab.).
- 50—Hard-shelled fruit.
- 53—Electrical engineer (ab.).
- 54—Capital of Italy.
- 56—Therefore.
- 57—Animal.
- 59—Rough lava.
- 60—Part of circle.
- 62—Writing implement.
- 63, 64—He tied for world in knocking out Nazi planes.

Down

- 1—Containers.
- 2—Smell.
- 3—Him.
- 4—South America (ab.).
- 5—Verbal.
- 6—Scene.
- 7—Similar.
- 8—Transpose (ab.).
- 9—And (Latin).
- 10—Cord.
- 11—Anon.
- 20—Be indebted.
- 21—Dined.
- 23—Encountered.
- 24—Sheep's bleat.
- 26—Erbium (symbol).
- 28—Palm lily.
- 29—Golf device.
- 30—Head cover.
- 32—He is an — flier.
- 33—He is a leading air —.
- 37—Employ.
- 38—Accomplish.
- 39—Shade tree.
- 40—Set of impiments.
- 41—Negative.
- 42—Tavern.
- 45—Shawl.
- 46—Relate.
- 48—Precipice.
- 49—Unqualified.
- 51—Employed.
- 52—Units of Weight.
- 55—Spoil.
- 58—Kentucky (ab.).
- 59—Any.
- 61—Cubic centimeter (ab.).
- 62—Pair (ab.).

Crossword Puzzle



Terry and the Pirates

By Courtesy of News Syndicate



By Milton Caniff

Irish Sink Great Lakes, 28-7

Last-Half Drive Gives Ramblers Revenge for '43

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Dec. 3—Notre Dame wound up its football season here yesterday by drubbing Great Lakes, 28-7, to gain partial revenge for a defeat at the hands of the Bluejackets last year which cost the Irish their perfect record. The sailors, who outweighed the Ramblers six pounds per man, had the better of it during the first two periods, but Frank Dancewicz rallied his cohorts and they outran and out-fought the Bluejackets in the second half.

The Irish lightning struck in the final quarter. With Dancewicz doing most of the leg work, the Ramblers moved from their own 22 to the Lakes three, and Dancewicz finally shot a bullet pass to Bob Skoglund in the end zone for a touchdown. Eight minutes later Dancewicz shot off tackle for 48 yards and another six points following a pass interception by Bob Kelly.

Great Lakes scored on the first play of the second chapter on a one-yard sneak by Jim Youel, but the Irish snapped back to tie the count before the half ended. They gained 35 yards in four plays, and the payoff was a 15-yard toss from Dancewicz to Kelly in the end zone.

Notre Dame tallied again midway through the third stanza after Dancewicz kicked out on the sailors' six. Ed Saenz, Lakes halfback, fumbled on the next play when hit by Guard John Mastrangelo, and End Doug Waybrought recovered in the end zone.

The statistics:

	ND	GT LAKES
First downs	11	11
Yards gained rushing	148	151
Passes attempted	19	20
Passes completed	8	5
Yards gained passing	72	62
Yards lost penalties	15	35

Behind The Sports Headlines

ANN ARBOR, Mich.—Eight victories in ten tries this season gave Coach Fritz Crisler a record of 48 victories, 11 losses and two ties since taking over at Michigan. Incidentally, as the Wolverines bowed to Ohio State in the Big Ten title game there were only four penalties assessed for 20 yards—all for delaying the game.

DETROIT — Dick Wakefield, honorably discharged from the Navy Flight Training program in time to come back and help the Tigers in their futile pennant drive, was inducted into the Navy again Thursday. The star Tiger hitter recently had his induction postponed three times, and when the notice finally came he asked for the Navy.



DICK WAKEFIELD

NEW YORK—Speaking of All-America teams, let's look back ten years to the "A.A." backfield which consisted of Stanford's Bobby Grayson, Buzz Borries of Navy, Pug Lund of Minnesota, and Wally Wallace of Rice. This year's combo will have to go some to beat that quartet—or don't you think so? ... NORFOLK, Va.—Matt Zunic, Ralph Bishop and Bill Strannigan are gone, but Norfolk's Naval hoop team is still loaded. New Coach Lt. Bill Stobbs can call on John Norkander, Don Smith, Bob Cantt, Albie Ingeman and a dozen others. Bluejackets have 30 games scheduled.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—End Coach Johnny Mauer of Tennessee will see his Vols in the Rose Bowl after all. Mauer, also the basketball coach, had his cage team scheduled for a game with NYU in Madison Square Garden and thought he wouldn't get to see the grid game at Pasadena, but Coach L. S. Honaker of nearby Maryville College volunteered to handle the Tennessee hoopster in their Garden tilt. ... GREAT LAKES, Ill.—The Great Lakes basketball team will have plenty of marks to shoot at this year. In the last three years Sailor hoop teams have rolled up 98 wins against 11 losses, including last year's 33 against three setbacks. ... ROCKFORD, Ill.—Pvt. Joe Wilman, now stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash., will have to start a new trophy collection. Thieves broke into a bowling alley here, where Wilman, one of the country's top bowlers, had his cups stored, and made off with all 30 of them, including seven ABC awards for 300 games.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.—Vic Heytiger, hockey coach and personnel director of the University of Illinois, has resigned to take a similar position at the University of Michigan.

Puck and Goalie in the Cage



Ranger Goalie Ken McAuley sits inside the cage where he entered in vain effort to halt the puck driven by Cain of Boston in a Madison Square Garden game which went to a 5-5 tie.

Leafs Regain Hockey Lead With 4-3 Nod Over Rangers

TORONTO, Dec. 3—The Toronto Maple Leafs climbed back onto the top rung of the National Hockey League ladder here last night by defeating the New York Rangers, 4-3. The victory gave the Leafs a one-point margin over the idle Montreal Canadiens.

Jack McLean, speedy Leaf wingman, netted the deciding goal midway in the third period on a pass play, assisted by Bob Davidson and Jack Kennedy, but Nick Metz, who notched two goals, was the best offensive man on the ice.

The Rangers started fast, taking a two-goal lead on drives by Walter Atanas and

Hockey League Standings

	W	L	T	P	W	L	T	P
Toronto	10	4	0	20	Boston	5	7	11
Montreal	9	4	1	19	New York	2	7	3
Detroit	7	4	2	16	Chicago	2	9	5

Fred Thurier, and Ab Demarco netted the New Yorkers' third goal in the second stanza after Metz pushed home the first of his tallies. Metz came through with his second goal and Wally Stanowski tied the score for the Leafs in the same period.

FOOTBALL SCORES

Army 23, Navy 7	Arkansas 41, Arkansas Aggies 0
Denver 27, Colorado College 13	Daniel Field 28, Newberry 7
Georgia Tech 44, Georgia 0	Louisiana State 25, Tulane 6
Notre Dame 28, Great Lakes 7	Oklahoma 31, Nebraska 12
Prairie View 6, Southern University 0	Presbyterian 34, Havana 0
Rice 18, Southwestern 0	Southern Methodist 9, TCU 6
Texas Tech 7, South Plains Air Base 6	Tulsa 48, Miami 2
Virginia 26, North Carolina 7	

Dick Tracy



Male Call



Blondie



Woolf Pilots Paper Boy Home First at Hollywood

ENGLEWOOD, Cal., Dec. 3—Harry L. Warner's Paper Boy surged from third place in the stretch to grab off the top prize in the \$25,000 added American Handicap at Hollywood Park yesterday on the guidance of George "The Iceman" Woolf. Favored in the betting, Paper Boy lacked early speed and didn't make his move until the final turn.

Ga. Tech Wallops Georgia, 44-0

ATHENS, Ga., Dec. 3—Georgia Tech's Orange Bowl-bound Yellowjackets grabbed the Southeastern Conference football title here yesterday by defeating the University of Georgia, 44-0. It was the 39th renewal of one of Dixie's greatest gridiron feuds and 28,000 fans watched the Engineers triumph here for the first time since 1893.

Tech went to work early with Freshman George Mathews tossing a 19-yard touchdown pass to End Charlie Murdock and Frank Broyles connected with Mathews in the end zone to give the Jackets a 13-0

ETO SPORTS MIRROR

Moore's Maulers of the 12th Replacement Depot registered touchdowns in the second and third periods yesterday to defeat the G-25 Generals, 13-6. Cpl. Nick Troilo, of Vandergrift, Pa., passed 15 yards to T/5 Vince Domino, of Clifton, N.J., for the first Mauler touchdown and the second came on a five-yard plunge by S/Sgt. Orman Fortier, of Guilford, Me., Mammala, of Hammand, Ind., intercepted a pass and ran 85 yards for the Generals' score in the opening period. ... Cpl. Joe Papiano, former Temple star, scooted nine yards around end yesterday to give the — General Hospital Aces a 6-0 victory over another Hospital eleven.

Cpl. Harry Vass, of Alexandria, Va., intercepted a pass and ran 40 yards for a touchdown, and Pfc Sammy Michail, of Tulsa, Okla., plunged eight yards for another yesterday to give the — Port Company Tornados a 12-0 victory over the Harbor Craft Sailors. ... Cpl. Dick Deems, of Cleveland, booted a field goal from the 19-yard line early in the fourth period yesterday as Douher's Fighting Eagles of the 94th Bomb Group edged Helton's Helcats, 3-0, for the championship of the Third Bombardment Division. A crowd of 5,000 saw the game, in which the Helcats once were held for downs on the Eagles' one-yard stripe.

Sgt. Jimmy Carretti, of Birmingham, Ala., racked up two touchdowns in the first period, the second on a run of 75 yards, and Troy Scholl, of Tulsa, Okla., lateraled to Tex Ellison, of Dallas, Tex., for another yesterday as the Medic PTIs downed the Medic Hypos, 19-7. The Hypo score came in the fourth period on a pass from Paul Leahy, of Boston, to Ray Mathews, of Cleveland. ... In a basketball game Saturday night the PTIs rolled to a 42-34 victory over another Medic quintet as Lt. Jim Weir, a member of the Wyoming national champions in '40, led the way.

A crowd of 12,000 turned out yesterday to see the unbeaten and untied Warriors of the — Base Air Depot defeat Crowell's Cowboys, 23-0. The victory was the third in eight days for the Warriors and their eighth straight this season. Sgt. Dick Woodring led the way with a 70-yard touchdown run in the third period.

S/Sgt. Warren Sellen, of Lindhurst, N.J., was the whole show yesterday as the 306th Bomb Group Gremlins rolled to a 25-0 victory over the — Bomb Group Terriers. He scored two touchdowns on runs of 40 and 60 yards, passed 40 yards to Adolf Visconti, of New York, for a third, and capped his day's work off with a ten-yard scoring heave to Lt. George Bowers, of Boston. ... The Third Strategic Air Depot Liberators pounded their way to a 9-0 victory over the Fourth Strategic Air Depot Mudcats

yesterday. T/Sgt. George Ramer, of Terre Haute, Ind., blocked a kick for a safety to put the Libs ahead at the start, and Sgt. Martin Taylor, of Milwaukee, Wis., took a lateral from Pvt. Dennis Diggins, of Boston, for the game's only touchdown.

With two minutes remaining in the ball game, Pfc Vernon Mongan, of Toledo, Ohio, broke loose for a 95-yard scoring dash to give the 78th Fighter Group Greyhounds a 6-0 victory over the Blue Blazers of the 398th Bombardment Group Saturday before a crowd of 3,500.

The Fourth Strategic Air Depot Elites opened their cage season Saturday night with a double victory. The Elites, led by Pfc Tom Reilly, of Brooklyn, N.Y., and S/Sgt. Virgil Shaatock, of Clifton, Wis., dumped the Bombardiers, 66-22, and the ETO Tramps, 28-22. ... The Northway Red Raiders romped over the — Engineer Panthers, 18-7 yesterday, picking up their first touchdown as the result of a blocked kick, their second on a 20-yard run by S/Sgt. Lester Dooley and the third on Gershter's 15-yard dash. Cpl. Oscar Hess took a 15-yard pass from Pfc R. E. Doyle for the Panther score. ... Scoring in the second and fourth quarters, the Shuttle-Rader gridders overpowered the Recon-Ramblers, 25-0, yesterday afternoon for their eighth straight victory. Pvt. Earl Dosey, 185-pound halfback from Lafayette, Ind., and Pvt. Edward Snow, of So. Brunswick, Mo., sparked the Rader attack while S/Sgt. Bob Priestley, Boston University player from Melrose, Mass., led for the Ramblers.

A blocked kick and 30-yard touchdown ramp by Tagnalli gave the Medic Green Hornets a 6-0 victory over the — General Hospital. ... Lt. Michael J. Koche, who was a member of Fordham's Seven Blocks of Granite, is now piloting "The Spirit of Bloomfield," a Fortress purchased by the school kids back in his home

MIKE KOCHER town of Bloomfield, N.J. Mike, who played in the All-Star games at Chicago and New York in '38 and '39 and completed one season of professional football with the Chicago Cardinals, has flown 14 missions over enemy-occupied Europe and has received the Air Medal and one Oak Leaf Cluster.

The Kiwis of the 384th Bomb Group, champs of the First Division, battled the 445th Bomb Group, champs of the Second Division, to a scoreless tie at Norwich Thursday before a crowd of 10,000 which included commanding officers of both divisions. Pvt. Jack Mitchell, of Arkansas City, Kan., 445th halfback, came up with the game's most spectacular play in the first period when he broke loose for 60 yards before being pulled down. But though the 445th three times reached their opponents' 20 and the 384th threatened seriously in the first period when they reached the 20 on a pass from Lt. Carl Walker, of Atlanta, Ga., to S/Sgt. John Gardiner, ex-Minnesota star, neither team was able to push over a tally. ... The — General Hospital Aces rolled to a 10-0 victory over the — General Hospital Hypos last week. Cpl. Gerald Paciano, ex-Temple fullback, plunged for the game's only touchdown in the first period.

Cpl. Bob Dehner, of Emporia, Kan., tossed a 30-yard touchdown pass to Cpl. John Sidorovich of Pittsburgh to defeat the — Port Bn. Pirates, 6-0, in a district playoff championship game. The win was the fourth for the Generals against one tie and a loss, and the team is anxious to arrange games. ... Cpl. Walter Few, of Akron, Ohio, scored 22 points Tuesday night to lead the Barbour-sol five to a 55-30 victory over a Negro postal unit. ... The — Strategic Air Depot Hoopsters trounced the Eighth Air Force HQ hoop team, 43-31, last week in their first inter-command game. Eddie Zane, of Philadelphia, ran eight yards to score on a reverse yesterday and gave McKee's Maulers, a Navy grid team, a 6-0 victory over the Galloping Gators, another sailor eleven.

A crowd of 15,000 turned out to see the Warriors of the — Base Air Depot capture the Air Service Command grid championship Thursday by defeating the — Base Air Depot Bearcats, 18-6. Cpl. Henry Piper, of Chicago, tossed a touchdown pass to Sgt. Dick Woodring, of Amarillo, Tex., for the first Warrior touchdown in the opening period and connected with Pvt. Jack Fernandez, of Portland, Ore., who lateraled to S/Sgt. Jack McKenzie, of Detroit, for another in the second quarter. Mike Spak, of McKeesrock, Pa., tossed to Pfc Leonard Arcotte for the other Warrior score in the third period, and the Bearcat touchdown came on a pass in the last quarter from Sgt. G. A. Filicetti, of Niagara Falls, to Pfc Robert Menke, of Cincinnati.

Lt. George Redden, former Oregon State star, ran 40 yards for a touchdown and Pfc James Melvain, of Philadelphia, sneaked through center from close up for another as the Fighter Comets of the 355th Fighter Group stopped the 91st Bomb Group, 13-0. Both touchdowns came in the second period.

By Courtesy of Chicago Tribune

By Chester Gould



By Milton Caniff



By Chic Young



EF ONLY AH KIN GET T' TH' HOLLER TREE BEFO' SHE NABS ME - AH KIN SAVE MAHSELF!!

SOB!! AH AN IS A DAID DUCK!!

GOT A WRIGHT - SO YO' GOT ME!! BUT AH REDDEES YO!! T'USS ME LAIGS!!

SO HOW IS YO' GONNA CARRY ME BACK T' TH' FINISHIN' LINE - ALL (HA? HA?) 550 POUNDS O' ME??

HAIN'T GONNA CARRY YO?

THAR'S MORE'N ONE WAY T' SKIN A CAT!!

TH' HOLLER TREE!! - AH PUT THIS AWAY IN CASE AH NEEDED IT!!

ALL AH HAS T'DO IS PULL TH' TRIGGER, AN' AH IS SAFE FUM

JOAN L. SULLIVAN - SAFE!!

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With The Chief, for whom he served through three terms.



Signing four-power pact in Moscow with Molotov and Eden.



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With Lord Beave brook, at U.S.-U.K. oil discussions.



John F. Dulles, Dewey adviser, sees Hull on foreign affairs.

Crippled Dancer Shows Wounded Vets How

Sergeant Gives Mule an Earfull . . . Miss Liberty Drops Torch for Skyhook



Veteran hooper Pegleg Bates spends free time showing veterans disability does not spell inactivity. Here he impresses GIs with acrobatic step.



Miss Liberty seems to have snared a helicopter, but plane just happened to be there when this picture was snapped.



This mule, a new arrival in India, has a double kick coming. While an Army veterinary brands him on the neck, a sergeant sinks his teeth in his ear to take his mind off operation. Vet is Lt. Carl Schultz, Independence, Mo., the ear-splitter Sgt. Fred Parker, Ozona, Tex. Sgt. R. Sterling, Crawford, Neb., helps.



This is the kind of a syndicate to get tied up with. Allan Dodds, a Hollywood acrobatic dancer, studies a contract he signed with five leggy Goldwyn backers. When he finally gets a motion picture contract, they'll get a 10 per cent slice for five years. Oh, you lucky people!



And here's a lucky GI with four rabbit's feet—live ones. Pfc Lloyd Tegge, of Waukesha, Wis., has had the long-eared luck charm all during the Fifth Army's campaign against the Gothic Line in Italy.