

## Atlantic Wall Gets Its Daily Bomb Ration

### Waves of Planes Batter Inland Targets; Berlin Hit by Mosquitoes

Wave after wave of Allied aircraft struck at German defenses in France and Belgium in daylight yesterday after a night in which the French coast was given one of its heaviest poundings and Mosquitoes dropped two-ton block-busters on Berlin.

Battered yesterday were railroad yards, airfields, a power plant, an ammunition dump and installations described only as military targets in the offensive to disrupt communications and paralyze German plans for rushing troops to threatened invasion points.

Early in the morning Ninth Air Force Marauders and A20s roared across the Channel to drop more than 450 tons of bombs on two railroad centers in Belgium, one in France and a French airfield.

**Bridge Dive-Bombed**  
Almost simultaneously, P47 fighter-bombers of the Ninth Air Force swept over France, dive-bombing a railroad bridge at Mantes-Gassicourt and a railroad yard and power plant at Valenciennes, and aircraft of the Second Tactical Air Force hit other targets in France and Belgium.

No sooner had the medium and fighter-bombers returned to their British bases than German radio suddenly went off the air after announcing violent air battles raging in the eastern Alps with American heavies attacking from Italy.

At various times in the morning, "weak" bomber forces were reported over western Germany, and single raiders were said to be over Schleswig-Holstein, north and central Germany.

At a late hour last night there was no Allied announcement of any attacks on the Reich.

However, Swiss radio, quoting an Ankara report, said that Bucharest was again raided in daylight yesterday.

Berlin, rocked in daylight Sunday and Monday by American heavy bombers, was hit again before 1 AM yesterday morning by RAF Mosquitoes. The Air Ministry announced that "many" 4,000-pound blockbusters were dropped.

**Attacks on French Coast**  
Meanwhile, Bomber Command launched concentrated attacks on the French coast and important industrial plants inland.

The bombing appeared to center on the Calais and Dunkirk areas, and residents of Dover, some 20 miles across the channel, reported the heaviest explosions of the war shook their homes and broke windows.

Flying a round-trip of more than 1,000 miles, a Lancaster force heaped its explosives on a ball-bearing factory at Ancey, near the Franco-Italian border. Another RAF force struck the aircraft-engine plant at Gennevilliers, a Paris suburb.

Seven RAF aircraft were lost in the night's operations, which included mine-laying.

Strongest attack yesterday morning was made by a force of about 100 Marauders on the Criel railroad yards, 25 miles northeast of Paris. Other Marauders hit an airfield near Amiens, in France, and the Mons railroad center, 30 miles southwest of Brussels. The Tournai rail center, in Belgium, 15 miles south of Lille, was bombed twice, first by Marauders and then by A20s.

The bombers, two of which failed to return, were escorted by RAF, Dominion and Allied Spitfires.

**Wheeler at White House**  
WASHINGTON, May 10 (Reuters)—Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D-Mont.) visited the White House today for the first time in six years. He invited President Roosevelt to address Congress on May 24.

## The War Today

**Russia**—Sebastopol stormed after three days of fierce assault; capture gives Russians control over important Black Sea waters in the west, with mouths of Danube only 200 miles away.

**Air War**—Allied planes continue cross-Channel battering of German communications targets after RAF heavy night raids on France and Mosquito blockbuster attack on Berlin.

**Pacific**—San Francisco conference between Adms. King, Nimitz and Halsey disclosed; new blows against Japanese may have been mapped; aerial assaults against Pacific islands continue.

**Italy**—Eighth Army takes several more places inland from Adriatic as German retreat continues; Fifth Army land front quiet.

## Infantry Training for an Airman



1/Lt. Joseph Myers, of an airborne infantry outfit, gives F/O Clarence B. Clark, of Charlotte, N.C., a work-out on the tommy-gun as part of a refresher infantry course for glider pilots.

## Glider Pilots Getting Training For Ground Jobs After Landing

By Philip H. Bucknell

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A NINTH TROOP CARRIER COMMAND BASE, May 10—Glider pilots, who once wondered just what they would do after finishing their primary job—delivering airborne troops behind enemy lines—are getting refresher courses in infantry training.

So the 64-dollar question has been answered. Airborne Command and the Air Forces decided that glider pilots, once their mission was completed, would make good security guards, interrogators and escorts for prisoners.

The ETO refresher course is an "addition" to the infantry and weapons training they received back in the days when Troop Carrier Command was activated at Bowman Field, La. Most of that training naturally was lost, with the pilots concentrating on their job of flying.

Conducting the refresher courses is a team of airborne infantry which travels from one glider group to another. The instructors are headed by Capt. Robert Dickerson, of Henderson, Ky., and 1/Lt. Joseph Myers, of Dover, Del., airborne veterans of two Mediterranean campaigns.

The pilots are enthusiastic about the training. "Best thing that has happened to us for a long time," said 1/Lt. Bernard T. Wheeler, of Spencer, Iowa, a glider group operations officer. Capt. Dickerson spoke for the glider men: "The training is not comprehensive, but enough to give them an idea of what jobs they will be expected to fulfill. We don't expect them to blossom out into full-fledged airborne infantry troops but we do figure on using glider pilots for a number of things. A glider-troop outfit is streamlined and since we don't have the manpower for certain jobs on the ground, the pilots will be able to help out."

"Pilots will not operate as part of the glider-rider TO but in separate units of their own. They will not outrank infantrymen in ground combat." The refresher course is made up mainly of lectures, but includes instruction in unarmed combat, demonstrations with

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The President told his press conference yesterday that people had been seeing things under the bed in condemning the seizure and that the employees' action, whatever its result, would end the case.

Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones said today the firm was returned to private ownership because the purpose for which it was taken over had been accomplished and productive efficiency had been restored.

In Chicago, Avery called the President's assertion that the election would end the case a "misstatement" and insisted the "abrupt return" of the plant was due to "public indignation." He hurled this final barb: "I think it would be better if Jesse (Jones), who is a very strong man, would carry me back from where he took me."

## Senate OKs 6.7 Millions For EMs' Wives, Babies

WASHINGTON, May 10—The Senate approved an appropriation of \$6,700,000 for grants to states to provide medical care for wives and infants of enlisted men in the armed forces. The measure, already passed by the House, now goes to the President.

## Sebastopol Capture Clears Springboard For Balkans Attacks

### WACs Are Going to Get, Of All Things, Dresses!

WASHINGTON, May 10—The WACs are going to get new off-duty dresses, Col. Oveta Culp Hobby disclosed on the eve of a new recruiting campaign which starts tomorrow.

The dresses are of washable, crease-resistant rayon shantung, tailored with extra broad shoulders and inverted pleats up from the waistline. The colors are military beige for summer and horizon tan for winter.

Col. Hobby said the present strength of the WAC was just under 67,000 and that enlistments now number about 4,000 a month.

## Halsey - Nimitz U.S. Talks With King Disclosed

### May Have Mapped New Blows; Air Assaults in Pacific Continue

New blows against Japan are believed to have been planned at a San Francisco conference last weekend of Adms. Chester W. Nimitz, William F. Halsey and Ernest J. King, commander in chief of the fleet.

Formal purpose of the meeting was award of a new decoration to Adm. Nimitz, but belief that important matters were discussed was supported by disclosure that two rear admirals and "members of the several staffs" attended.

Meanwhile, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced that the Wadke area, 120 miles northwest of Hollandia, and other important points on the west end of New Guinea had been pounded again by Allied bombers. Mopping-up operations at Hollandia brought the total of enemy dead to 781 and 183 taken prisoner, the communique said.

In the Central Pacific, Seventh AF Liberators and Mitchells again bombed Ponape, east of Truk, and enemy positions in the Marshalls.

### Heavy Fighting in Burma

Heavy fighting continues in Burma and Manipur, according to yesterday's Southeast Asia Command communique, with positions relatively unchanged in the Kohima and Imphal areas. Allied troops inflicted heavy casualties on Japanese parties south of Mogaung and in the neighborhood of Mawlu, 25 miles northwest of Katha.

Chinese troops supported by tanks and artillery attacked strong enemy positions in the Mogaung Valley, east of the main road and south of the Kwele River, with undisclosed results, while in north Burma, Jap attacks in the Fort Herz Valley were repulsed with considerable losses to the enemy.

### Strike Shuts 2 Papers

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., May 10—A printers' strike has suspended publication of the two local daily newspapers.

## Gen. Ike Sends to Washington For Brass—Army's No. 1 Band

Having followed fighting troops in Africa and Sicily for the last ten months, the U.S. Army band from Washington has arrived in the ETO for a series of concerts.

The organization—86 strong and directed by Capt. Thomas F. Darcy—will make its debut Saturday with an open-air concert in the Cockpit on Serpentine Road in Hyde Park, London, at 3 PM. The band will parade to the site, starting from Marble Arch at 2 PM.

While not officially tabbed as such, the organization considers itself the band of the Allies in the ETO by virtue of its assignment to Gen. Eisenhower's command.

It is here at Gen. Eisenhower's request, thus becoming the first of the official big three among American service bands—the others being the Navy and Marine

to perform overseas both in war and peace times. The Army musicians played the International Exposition in Spain in 1929.

"We tagged after the boss (Gen. Eisenhower) in Africa and Sicily and we hope to do the same in Europe, leading the parades through Paris and Berlin," Capt. Darcy said yesterday.

For Darcy it marks the second war band he has led across the Atlantic. In World War I he directed U.S. instrumentalists who toured with the British massed Guard bands.

Darcy frequently finds himself being confused with Tommy Dorsey, the dance-band leader. Darcy gets Dorsey's mail and vice versa "so that we forever are trying to get our letters straightened out."

Following their opening concert, the Army band will tour American and British military installations throughout

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## Great Port Stormed After 3 Days of Heavy Assault

After maintaining for hours the fiction that their troops still held Sebastopol, the Germans yesterday admitted the loss of the great Crimean port, but even 12 hours after Marshal Stalin announced that the fortress had been "carried by assault" the enemy still insisted the city had been "evacuated" in good order.

Last night a Reuter dispatch from Moscow suggested that with the German threat to the Soviet flank removed and the way cleared for the Red Army's Balkan offensive, "the fall of Sebastopol may be the starting signal for the final east-west blows against Hitler's Europe."

Stalin announced the city's fall at midnight Tuesday. He said Gen. Feodor Tolbukhin's Fourth Ukrainian Army group, in a three-day offensive, had broken through three lines of reinforced concrete defense works and "completely freed the Crimea from the German invader."

Recapture of the city that Stalin called "the most important military and naval base on the Black Sea" opened wide possibilities for harassing German communications all along the western Black Sea coast and even for seaborne operations against Rumania in direct support of the Red Army's land drive from Odessa.

### 200 Miles to the Danube

From Sebastopol it is but 200 miles to the mouths of the Danube, 250 to the Rumanian port of Constanza and 300 to Varna in Bulgaria, where Moscow radio recently reported the Germans had relocated their Black Sea naval headquarters.

Though it took the Germans under Marshal Fritz von Manstein an eight months' siege before they wrested the base from the Red Army on July 3, 1942, Gen. Tolbukhin's armies retook it in 20 days—three weeks that saw one of the war's heaviest artillery barrages in preparation for the final infantry storming in the last three days.

Stalin's order announcing the victory—celebrated in Moscow by an artillery salute of 24 salvos from 324 guns—was addressed not only to Tolbukhin but to Marshal Alexander Vasilevsky, chief of staff of the Soviet Union. Thus the man considered in Moscow to be "the brain behind the entire Soviet offensive" shared the credit with the army commander.

### Helped Save Stalingrad

Vasilevsky, Stalin's "military right-hand man," was one of the victors of Stalingrad and helped to win the battle of Moscow. In his early forties, Vasilevsky seldom appears in the limelight, avoids public appearances and runs the war from a telephone-studded desk in a cavern far below Moscow. One of his phones is a direct line to Stalin's private apartment in the Kremlin.

German Official News Agency, contradicting Stalin's assertion that the Crimea had been "completely freed," said the German-Rumanian garrison "in the night of May 9-10 evacuated the burning ruins of Sebastopol and detached themselves to the western tip of the peninsula." No details were given.

The same source said Sebastopol was "turned into a single heap of ruins by artillery fire never experienced before on such a scale and by incessant air bombing."

The Russians began repairs almost immediately. Moscow dispatches yesterday said squads of road-builders, technicians and dock experts entered the city almost at the same time as the troops.

## 15 More Billions for Army Asked of Congress by FDR

WASHINGTON, May 10—President Roosevelt asked Congress today for a new appropriation for the Army totaling \$15,676,652,700, bringing contemplated expenditures for the armed forces in the next fiscal year to \$49,000,000,000.

Mr. Roosevelt said his request was based on estimates contemplating "the maintenance and operation of an army of 7,700,000 officers, men and women on the offensive in global war up to and including June 30, 1945."

The new budget provides for 200,000 members of the WAC, more than three times the number now enrolled.

### More Civilian Goods

WASHINGTON, May 10—WPB Chairman Donald M. Nelson announced that production of consumer goods, enough to ease some shortages being felt by civilians, would be permitted shortly.



# Warweek

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## Back From Battle: The Veterans Speak Up



Associated Press Photos

### GI Bull Session Shows Enemy Dangerous But Hardly 'Superman'; U.S., German Equipment Compared

By Arthur Goodwin  
 Warweek Staff Writer

**N**ORTH AFRICA—From 100 battle-tested Yanks—veterans of Tunisia and Sicily, many of them wearing Purple Hearts and Silver Stars, who have seen Jerry at his best, taking the offensive, and at his worst, demoralized and retreating, and talked to scores of German prisoners—comes this estimate of the foe:

- 1—Germans are tricky, tough and dangerous—but they are not supermen. They are just well trained, disciplined soldiers.
- 2—Germans can be killed like anybody else—and they would rather surrender than die.
- 3—German weapons are good, but their vehicles fall far below our standards.
- 4—Watch out for German mines and booby traps. If you don't understand them, leave them alone.

"Sure Jerry is a good soldier," said an infantry private. "He ought to be. He's been training and fighting long enough to know the answers—and his father and grandfather were all guys who were out to get what they wanted at the point of a pistol."

"But when it comes right down to it," an infantry sergeant said, "Jerry doesn't want to die any more than you do. Even the toughest ones give up when they're out of stuff and the going gets too rough."

A sergeant in the MPs elaborated on this statement: "The younger Jerries are fanatics—I'd say those up to 22 or 23 years old. But the older soldiers have their doubts about Hitler and that superman business. One of them said to me, 'I have to howl with the wolves. I am here because they made me.' But the younger men must be beaten in combat before they realize they aren't better than we are."

A corporal at a battalion headquarters said: "We captured a 17-year-old Jerry infantryman near Villa Rosa, in Sicily. I asked him what a kid like him was doing in the army. He said, 'I want to help fight you Americans and English. You are an inferior race.' He couldn't understand how the Germans could be shelled and bombed with stuff that Goebbels said was at the bottom of the ocean."

#### Germans Are Disciplined

Combatant or captive, the German soldier is superbly disciplined. His actions are strictly military, as evidenced by these statements from Yanks who handled German prisoners:

Sgt. (Headquarters Company): "There is no denying that Jerry is a good soldier. I'd say his outstanding quality is discipline. He does exactly what he's told."

"I told a Jerry prisoner to stand at

attention, and then I was called away. When I got back about two hours later, the son of a gun was still standing at attention. An American soldier would probably have gone off and smoked a cigarette the minute my back was turned."

Pvt. (Military Police): "The Jerry obeys orders. It was easy to handle them as prisoners. If you told their non-coms chow would be served at 5 o'clock, the men were there on time, all lined up without any pushing or shoving."

"The Italians were hard to deal with—always pushing and crowding around and yelling. But the Jerry never forgot his discipline. It's ingrained in him, and makes him a damned good fighting man."

Sgt. (Infantry): "The German soldier is just about tops. For example, near the end of the fight at Troina in Sicily, some of them were told to hold a line with only NCOs to run the show. They were practically suicide squads—but they held that line until they were out of supplies."

"They have initiative, too; it's a lot of hooey to say they haven't. They shift their positions well and handle defense situations skillfully."

Sgt. (Divisional Headquarters Company): "What the German soldier has mostly is a lot of training. I questioned dozens of them in Tunisia, and found plenty who had been training as soldiers since they were four or five years old."

"All these guys know war, war and more war. I was born in Germany and know how it is. It's a bad habit they have to be broken of."

Pvt. (Infantry): "I had to guard some of the Jerry prisoners we captured near Gafsa. I got to admit he's a neat clean soldier. They used the latrine right and kept the pen policed up all the time we were there."

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### The German Masters—Mastered

"HOPPED UP" is how GIs who fought 'em describe Nazi enlisted men they bagged. Look at these two (above) and decide for yourself what they had been taking.

"TOUGH OFFICERS" also were rounded up and three shown (left) are typical of Hitler's company commanders. They frequently pulled out when the going got tough, leaving their non-coms holding the bag, Africa vets say.



## These Men Licked Their Battle Fears

**A**MERICAN HQ, Italy—If the word "combat" gives you cold shivers, at least you're in good company. Practically every man in Africa or Sicily or Italy felt the same way when he went under enemy fire for the first time.

The point is, those fellows who've been through the mill all found out the same thing:

They were plenty scared at first. They got over most of their fear as soon as they really got going.

Here are some thumbnail interviews with Americans who fought through the North African campaign, who landed in Sicily early in the battle and who are now in the ETO. These are their answers to the question:

"How did you feel when you actually went into combat?"

Pvt. (Heavy Weapons Company): "At first you're scared when you go into combat. Fact is, you're scared all the time. But after your first dose of fire you're okay. You razz each other, you keep telling stories, and the first thing you know, you realize you're under fire—and not nervous at all."

Two Infantry privates had a slightly different slant. Both admitted they were scared, both agreed it wasn't as bad as they thought it would be. Their words add to the picture of what a man really feels, actually thinks, when the chips are down.

1st Pfc: "In your first battle you can almost feel the heat of the tracers as they go by and you can hear and feel the grenades and H.E. all over the place. All of a sudden you realize how much you can go through—and still be alive."  
 2nd Pfc: "It isn't any use saying combat isn't tough and that you aren't scared. But it wasn't like I pictured it. At first I thought it was like maneuvers—only not so hard. Then stuff started to fly around me and I got scared as hell. Once you get mad you lose all fear. . . . I didn't get nervous again until the battle was over."

This business of being scared spittles goes for the Germans as much as for us

—only they don't snap out of it as easily. That's because of the kind of stuff their officers have been feeding them about the "master race" and the "inferior



GERMAN TOP-KICK, shown in captured photo, is Rudolf Jaenicke, from Suhl. Tough guy?

mongrel" nations they are fighting. This is what an infantry private said:

"One of the Jerries we captured was crying like a baby. He thought we were going to shoot him. 'You shoot all our prisoners,' he said. 'We were told that by our officers. But before I die I'd like to see your automatic artillery. I was in Russia and all through the French

campaign, but I have never seen artillery like you Americans have.'"

Many men had stories to tell of the screwy ideas the Germans had about what Americans are like. Here's the way one Infantry private described the reactions of some enemy troops. What they said, of course, reflects the propaganda needing they have been getting.

"They thought we were gangsters from New York and Chicago, like they'd seen in American movies. They shot at us all the time and still we kept right on coming. They were the scariest guys I ever saw. When they saw we weren't going to kill them, boy, were they happy."

An attempt was made to analyze the answers the men gave in order to find out why they were afraid when they first went into battle and what it was that made them realize that it wasn't as tough as they thought it was going to be. One infantry private summed it up this way:

"The guys who get hurt are the guys who forget the rules. They expose themselves, flash their messkits and attract attention—or maybe they're too damn lazy to dig in. More doggies are hurt by their own carelessness than by Jerry."

Another reason why battle veterans learned to take it easy was that they discovered, during their first engagement, that only in rare cases did individual German soldiers actually score hits on a selected target. It was "Maggie's Drawers" for Herman the German most of the time.

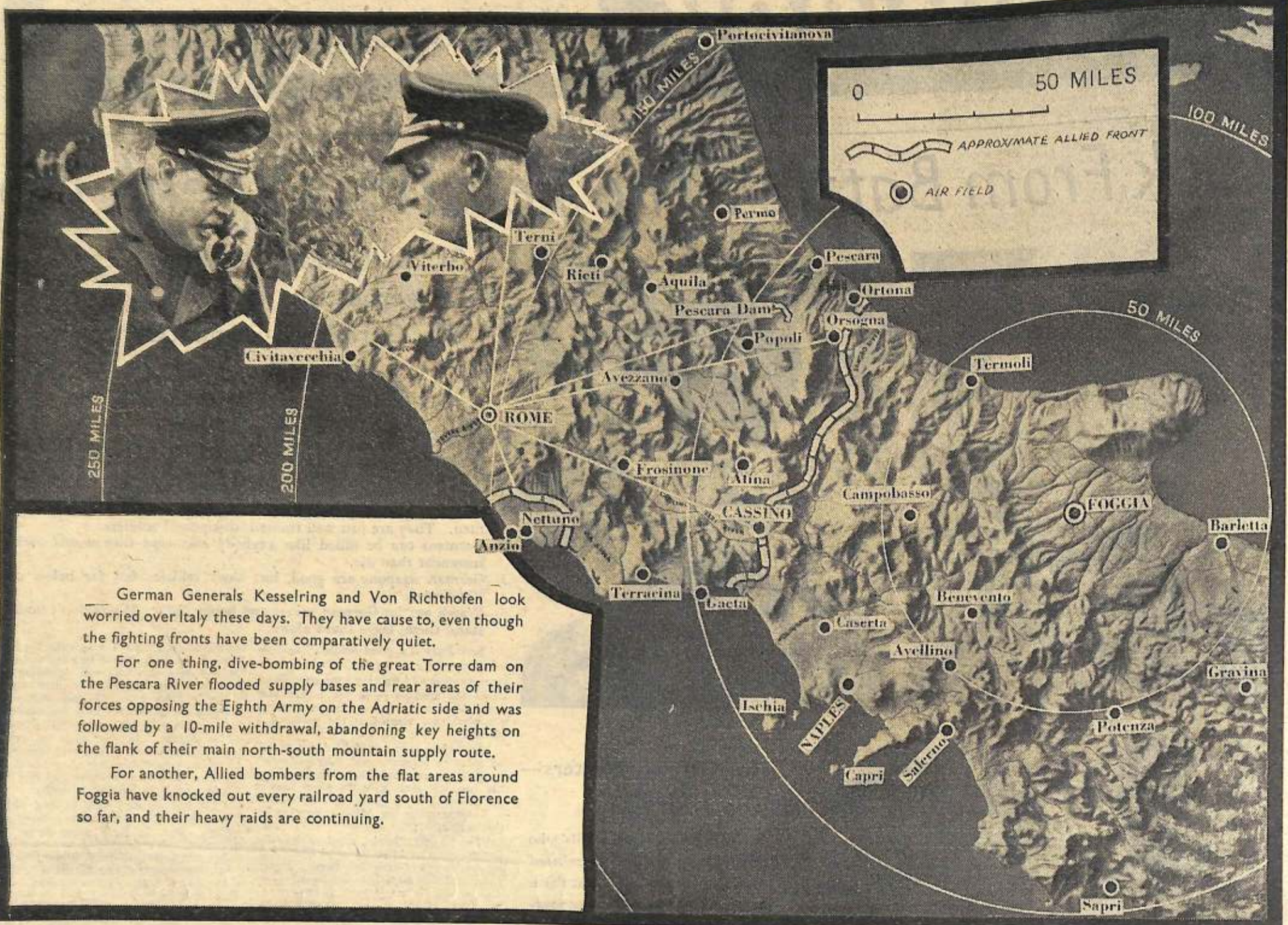
Cpl. (Infantry): "I think one of the big differences between the Jerry and us is marksmanship. He sprays his target—sometimes he gets hits and sometimes he doesn't. We are taught to aim and shoot to kill. I think that's the better way. If we aim at the portholes and openings in tanks and pillboxes, we can shoot Jerry in the eyes and kill him. . . . We shoot better—and that's one reason why we win."



New York Times Photo

FOE "DIDN'T LIKE the way we pushed and pushed all the time," one man said. Here, patrol moves into shattered town.

# What'sa Mat', Herr Kesselring, Iss der Feet Vet und Coldt?

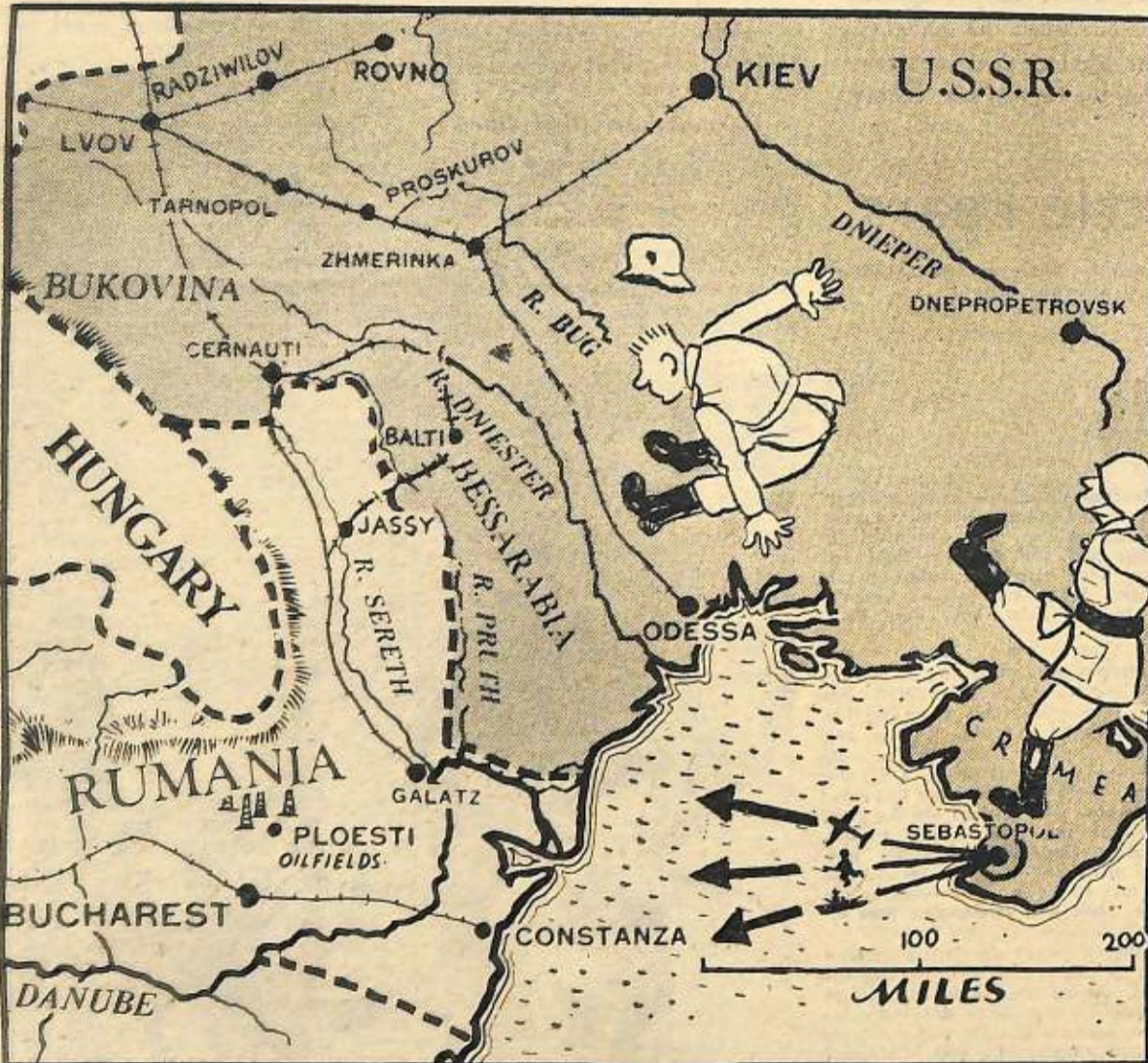


German Generals Kesselring and Von Richthofen look worried over Italy these days. They have cause to, even though the fighting fronts have been comparatively quiet.

For one thing, dive-bombing of the great Torre dam on the Pescara River flooded supply bases and rear areas of their forces opposing the Eighth Army on the Adriatic side and was followed by a 10-mile withdrawal, abandoning key heights on the flank of their main north-south mountain supply route.

For another, Allied bombers from the flat areas around Foggia have knocked out every railroad yard south of Florence so far, and their heavy raids are continuing.

## Russian Soldier Proves German Defenses Can Be Cracked Wide Open



Nazis Cremated During 72-Hour Hell at Sebastopol; Attackers Crash Through Three Defense Lines to Recapture Black Sea Port; Red Army Free to Strike Westward to Reich

In one of the most terrific assaults the war has witnessed, Russian troops Tuesday stormed through three concrete and steel defense lines to overwhelm the Germans at Sebastopol and boot the invader into the Black Sea. The final attack, mounted after careful preparation, took just three days. The German defenses were probably like those American and British soldiers will come up against on the Western Front.

It was sweet revenge for the Red Army. Almost two years ago the great Russian naval base at the tip of the Crimea fell to the Germans after an eight-months siege. It has taken the Russians only 30 days to retake the whole of the Crimea, including Sebastopol.

The south-east flank of Hitler's Fortress Europe is badly exposed by this triumph of the Russian soldier. Rumanian oil fields are but a short bomber flight away, and the Crimea has excellent airfields. The Soviet fleet now commands the Black Sea and the mouth of the Danube.

The crack Fourth Ukrainian Army, as well as other elements of the Red Army, are now free to turn their attention northward—westward. Perhaps the day is not far off when American and British troops will be fighting shoulder-to-shoulder with Russian soldiers toward the last defenses of the Reich.



'Any Questions?'

# Sports SIDELIGHTS

Chicago at long last seems to be on the way out of all athletics. The coaches don't have enough track men to field a team; the baseball call found only enough candidates to make one team, and even the tennis squad, where the Maroons usually are strongest, seems to be destined for the scrap heap due to lack of players.

In the 70-day meeting at Washington Park there will be five races with prizes of \$50 grand each—The Stars and Stripes Handicap, Arlington Classic, Arlington Handicap, American Derby and Washington Park Handicap.

Sports-minded Western Michigan College, which already owns a nice concrete and steel baseball stadium, an equally impressive football field and other athletic grounds, has just spent another \$125,000 for ground to build more athletic buildings.

In 1935 Clint True scored the first Army touchdown as West Point beat Navy in their traditional football game. In the Los Negros Island landings, Col. Clint True piloted the first Army bomber to land there. Andy Chisick, the former Chicago Cardinal pro football center, who was commissioned in the field and under fire, recently led his Marine gang ashore in another New Britain landing.

Capt. Homer Faucett, former AAU middleweight wrestling champ at Indiana, is home from the South Pacific after 500 combat hours. He holds three DFCs, six Air Medals and the Silver Star.

Lt. Cmdr. Carl Stockholm, former six-day bike racer, says that cycling in America will hit an all-time high after the war, due to the numbers of boys who are stationed in sections where the bicycle is the standard mode of transportation. Persistence department: Bob Tribble, Northwestern sophomore star swimmer, has competed 23 times against Adolph Kiefer and has yet to beat him.

Joe O'Neill, newly elected president of the now home-owned Sacramento Pacific Coast League club, gets \$1 a year salary. Bob Zuppke recently was presented with a new German shepherd dog and named it "Grange." Completely unknown to Zuppke, Grange was presented with a litter brother of Zuppke's dog and named it "Zup."

Young Joe Wood, up with the Red Sox, is reversing the procedure of his famous father, Smokey Joe Wood. Young Joe was a Yale outfielder until his senior year, then turned to pitching. Smokey Joe started as a hurler and retreated to the outergarden only when his arm started to lose its potency.

Cap Anson instituted the spring training idea for ball teams when he took his Chicago White Stockings to Hot Springs, Arkansas, to get into condition in 1886.

Steve Belloise recently won the Southwest Pacific middleweight title and has run up 30 consecutive knockouts. Johnny Murphy, who told the Yankees he was remaining out of baseball to stay in war work, has recently taken a Navy physical exam and passed 100 per cent.

## Beau Okayed for Army Service



Beau Jack, former lightweight boxing champion, after passing his pre-induction physical at Fort Benning, Ga., gets the once over from Sgt. Leslie Sanford.

## Novikoff Is Through Earning His Salary on Bench—Grimm

CHICAGO, May 10—"Lou (Novikoff) is through earning his salary for watching games from the dugout," Charlie Grimm, new manager of the Chicago Cubs, declared today as he studied ways and means of snapping the club's 12-game losing streak.

Novikoff, eccentric screwball and highly touted minor leaguer before joining the Cubs, dented the Wrigley bankroll for \$60,000. He has occupied a nice, shady seat in the dugout this season except for a pinch-hitting assignment against the Pirates Sunday when he cracked a single.

Grimm has faith in the "Mad Russian," however, and said he will make Novikoff get into shape to play every day. Lou, who never swatted below .366 in three minor leagues, was rumored to be on the trading block last week but Grimm informed him he will remain with the Bruins.

"Lou did plenty of slugging for me at Milwaukee," Grimm said, "and there's no reason why he can't do the same for the Cubs. I think he'll produce for us when you've got a 12-game losing streak, you've got to think of something."

## Bramham Bars Schaeffer From Pro Baseball for Life

DURHAM, N.C., May 10—William G. Bramham, czar of minor league baseball, announced that William Schaeffer, of Overland, Mo., had been declared ineligible to participate in any capacity in professional baseball.

Late in 1943, Schaeffer signed a contract with the Jamestown (N.Y.) club and also with Buffalo of the International League. The player and his parents claimed he was only 19 and elected to rescind the Jamestown contract, but investigations showed Schaeffer was born in St. Louis, Nov. 10, 1916. Schaeffer then made a written statement saying his previous claims were incorrect.

## Haegg, Andersson Receive Another Bid To Make U.S. Jaunt

STOCKHOLM, May 10—Gunder Haegg and Arne Andersson, the flying Swedish milers who turned down invitations to race in the United States this summer, today were asked to come to New York and attempt to crack the four-minute mile.

The bid was extended by Stanton Griffis, chairman of the Madison Square Garden Corporation now in Stockholm on U.S. Government business. Griffis said he hoped to get Bill Hulse and Gil Dodds to compete against the Swedes, if Haegg and Andersson decide to make the trip. He added that he would arrange air transportation if the Swedes assent.

But Griffis may run into a snag, however, because Dodds, a divinity student, last night declared in Boston he intends to go on a nationwide preaching tour and will not participate in the summer outdoor track season until his jaunt is finished. "The Lord's work comes first," Dodds said, adding that he would be unable to compete against the Swedes even if they agree to visit the States.



Gunder Haegg

# Kramer's Mound Work Bulwarks Browns' Drive

## Bullfighter Sid Franklin Gets Tossed—by a Rope

MADRID, May 10—Sidney Franklin, veteran bullfighter from Brooklyn, proved that a matador's woes aren't limited to the arena when he broke two bones in his left foot and dislocated another—while skipping rope!

Franklin suffered his injuries while training for an appearance in the bull ring, but said he hopes to be back in shape in time to fight at the Madrid Plaza late this month.

## Pensive Is 8-5 For Preakness

## Stir Up, Third in Derby, Is Quoted at 2-1; Sky Tracer Doubtful

BALTIMORE, May 10—Warren Wright's Kentucky Derby winner, Pensive, has been established as 8-5 favorite to annex the \$50,000 Preakness at Pimlico, Saturday, while Mrs. Payne Whitney's Derby disappointment, Stir Up, is considered no worse than a 2-1 risk to atone for last week's poor effort when he finished a badly beaten third behind Broadcloth.

Stir Up and Alorter, who prefers an off-track, were already at Pimlico when Pensive and Gay Bit and Gramps Image, also-rans in Matt Winn's battle for the roses, arrived at the stables. Trainer Ben Jones said Pensive was "feeling fine" after his train ride from Louisville.

Sky Tracer, the only other Derby runner eligible for the Preakness, is still at Churchill Downs and probably will be missing from Saturday's field.

George Widener's non-Derby participant, Platter, lingered in New York for a workout at Belmont today and his status for the Preakness is still a mystery. If he does run, however, he and Pensive are expected to be equal choices in the betting.

Bel Reigh, Bull Dandy and Stymie also will head postward in the richest Maryland races.

## Kelly New Boss At Indianapolis

INDIANAPOLIS, May 10—Donie Bush, the president, fired Donie Bush, the manager, today and named Bernard "Mike" Kelly to manage the Indianapolis Indians of the American Association. Bush didn't oust himself as president, however.

Kelly was active in baseball as player, manager, business manager and coach from 1916 until the close of the 1942 season when he left the Pittsburgh Pirates after coaching there for three years. He worked for Bush as a coach of the White Sox in 1930 and '31 when Donie was managing the Chicago club. Kelly managed Spartanburg (S.C.) in the Sally League from 1921-29.

## Nats and Yanks Expected To Show Increased Strength

NEW YORK, May 10—It's strange, but American League teams have been playing for a fortnight and Connie Mack, the grand old man of baseball, still hasn't launched his annual campaign to break up the Yankees.

The venerable oldster may begin at any time, however, because the Yanks have started to climb toward the top again after an inauspicious start and are currently nestled in second place. The Browns are setting the early pace largely as the result of their strong getaway when they won nine straight.

Since their spurt, the Browns have slowed down to a walk, winning four and losing five, while the Bombers took seven of their last nine games. Vern Stephens and Mike Kreevich are furnishing the St. Louis power, but the real joy in Manager Luke Sewell's heart is caused Pitcher Jack Kramer, the only pitcher in both leagues to win five straight thus far. Nelson Potter, with three decisions, also is helping the Sewellmen.

## First Eastern Road Trip

The Browns are confronted with their first eastern road trip this week and the Yanks and Senators have sharpened their claws for the western invader. Manager Joe McCarthy returned to the helm yesterday to find that Hank Borowy, winner of three tests, and Johnny Lindell and Nick Etten, the club's leading hitters, kept Art Fleicher from losing any sleep during his absence, and once again the race promises to be a Yanks-against-the-field scramble for the pennant.

The Nats untracked themselves recently and showed the stuff expected of them. They'll be tougher from here on in, too, because they start entertaining visitors under the mazdas tonight. Outfielder Stan Spence leads the majors in home runs with five and the team's third base problem has been solved by the conversion of Pitcher Gilberto Torres, who is batting .333.

## Trosky's Hitting Timely

The White Sox, balancing Thornton Lee's inability to get started with Orval Grove's pitching and timely hitting by Hal Trosky, have risen from the cellar to fourth place. The Indians also have settled down, but they are having serious pitching troubles, Allie Reynolds and Veteran Mel Harder being the only hurlers with two conquests. Ten moundsmen have been involved in the 17 Tribe decisions.

The Red Sox and Athletics are deadlocked in sixth place and there isn't much hope for improvement. Bosox pitching is woeful with Mike Ryba the only tosser able to win twice—both in relief roles—while Luman Harris and Joe Berry have kept the A's from sliding farther with good pitching.

The cellar-dwelling Tigers may eventually get started. But right now they need better pitching, hitting and fielding to climb.

## Johnny Longden Rides 3 Winners at Belmont

NEW YORK, May 10—Johnny Longden, veteran 34-year-old jockey, rode three winners at Belmont Park yesterday, including both halves of the \$384 daily double.

Longden won with Soulf, paying \$58.60, in the first; completed the double aboard Romanock, which paid \$11.90, then brought Freezout home first in the sixth at \$13.

# Minor League Results

International League							
All games postponed.							
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
Rochester	8	4	.667	Buffalo	6	6	.500
Baltimore	5	4	.562	Toronto	6	6	.500
Jersey City	6	6	.500	Syracuse	6	6	.500
Montreal	6	6	.500	Newark	6	6	.500

Eastern League						
Elmira 17, Wilkes-Barre 10 (night)						
Williamsport 16, Scranton 15 (night)						
Utica 5, Albany 3 (night)						
Hartford 6, Binghamton 1 (night)						
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	
Albany	1	.667	Hartford	4	3	.571
Williamsport	4	.667	Binghamton	4	3	.500
Elmira	4	.667	Utica	4	3	.533
Wilkes-Barre	4	.667	Scranton	4	3	.528

American Association											
Milwaukee 7, Toledo 2											
Minneapolis 9, Indianapolis 3											
Kansas City 2, Columbus 1											
Louisville 3, St. Paul 2											
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Milwaukee	14	2	.875	Kansas City	6	6	.500				
Columbus	10	7	.588	Toledo	7	8	.467				
Minneapolis	8	6	.571	Louisville	4	10	.333				
St. Paul	5	5	.500	Indianapolis	2	13	.133				

Southern Association											
Birmingham 8, New Orleans 4 (first game)											
Birmingham 10, New Orleans 7 (second game)											
Nashville 4, Chattanooga 2 (first game)											
Chattanooga 9, Nashville 8 (second game)											
Memphis 13, Little Rock 4 (first game)											
Little Rock 5, Memphis 4 (second game)											
Knoxville 17, Atlanta 16											
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Birmingham	10	2	.833	Memphis	6	7	.462				
Nashville	6	3	.667	Little Rock	5	6	.455				
Nashville	5	4	.556	Chattanooga	7	7	.500				
Knoxville	5	5	.500	New Orleans	2	8	.200				
Atlanta	5	5	.500	New Orleans	2	8	.200				

Pacific Coast League											
Oakland 7, Sacramento 3											
Other games postponed.											
W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
S. Francisco	20	10	.667	San Diego	16	16	.500				
Portland	18	12	.600	Los Angeles	14	15	.483				
Hollywood	17	13	.567	Oakland	12	20	.375				
Seattle	17	15	.531	Sacramento	8	21	.276				

## Camp Grant to Resume Full Sports Program

CAMP GRANT, Ill., May 10—Camp Grant, which abandoned its sports program last March, announced the resumption of a full sports program. Baseball plans will start immediately and the post will sponsor football and basketball next fall. Until last March, Camp Grant engaged college, civilian and service teams, establishing impressive records.

## Argentina Mallet Swingers Win

MEXICO CITY, May 10—Argentine came from behind with four goals in the final chukker to defeat the American polo team, 7-6. Cecil Smith led the Americans and Juan Rodriguez starred for Argentina.

### Help Wanted —AND GIVEN

Write your question or problem to Help Wanted, Stars and Stripes, 37, Upper Brook St., London, W.1. Telephone, ETOUSA, Ext. 2131. Unless otherwise stated in the ad, direct all correspondence c/o Help Wanted.

**Found**  
KEYS, four sets: (1) Large Yale and Towne key with heavy weight marked "Room 529." (2) Ring with two keys, one large one unmarked and the other Yale type marked "B & G" on one side and "1-A" on the other. (3) Six on gold K x and two Yale Juniors, one "Romant," another ring, one Vaun stamped marked J.M., (4) Ring marked 11-B and another marked J.M., (5) Vaun with seven keys: one Yale "15A760," one Vaun "132," Union "4," and the remainder are all small keys.

**Camera Exchange**  
PERFEX, No. 22 or 55, 33-mm. with case.—Cpl. Edward A. Larson. (2 1/4 x 3 1/4) or any SPEED Graphic, miniature, or same size wanted.—make plate camera, or same size wanted.—Pic Horace C. Stroud.

**Coat for Exchange**  
WILL swap, with cash adjustment, my long officer's overcoat, genuine heavier finish, only six months old, size 37 or 38, for a field coat with detachable hood.—W/O Philip Inverso.

## Li'l Abner



## IT IS KILLING ME



## I HATE JOKES



By Courtesy of United Features

By Al Capp

# CIO Pledges FDR Support For 4th Term

## Murray Demands He Run; President Gets Ohio's 52 Convention Votes

WASHINGTON, May 10—President Roosevelt had the powerful backing of the CIO for a fourth term today, while Ohio Democrats gave him 52 more national convention delegates, bringing his total to just 64 short of the number required for nomination.

Philip Murray, president, pledged the CIO's support to Mr. Roosevelt in an address at Cleveland last night to the convention of the United Steel Workers, of which he also is president and which has a \$200,000 political budget for this year.

"It is my earnest belief and firm conviction," Murray said, "that in the interests of national unity, to bring speedy victory to our cause and assure the realization for our people of the four freedoms of mankind, Mr. Roosevelt must be the candidate for re-election to the Presidency, and that the overwhelming majority of the people of this nation, regardless of their political affiliation, demand his re-election."

### Roosevelt Noncommittal

At his regular Tuesday press conference, Mr. Roosevelt again declined to commit himself on the question of a fourth term. But Harrison Spangler, Republican national chairman, scoffed at Robert Hannegan's statement that the President had not been consulted before Hannegan, the Democratic chairman, predicted Monday his re-election. Spangler called Hannegan's remark an effort "to keep up the fiction that Mr. Roosevelt is not again a candidate."

In yesterday's primaries, Ohio's 52 Democratic convention delegates were pledged to Mr. Roosevelt and 50 Republican delegates to Gov. John W. Bricker, a favorite son. Sen. Robert A. Taft, Republican, was renominated without opposition, with William G. Pickrel leading a three-way race for the Democratic senatorial nomination. In the gubernatorial voting, the leaders where Mayor James Sewart of Cincinnati on the GOP ticket and Mayor Frank J. Lausche of Cleveland, Democrat.

In West Virginia, which also held primaries yesterday, the 18 Democratic and 19 Republican convention delegates were unpledged but favored Mr. Roosevelt and Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York. Former Sen. Rush D. Holt, seeking the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, trailed Judge Clarence Meadows, of Beckley, in early returns.

A Republican state convention in Washington adopted a resolution endorsing Dewey for the Presidency, but its 16 delegates were technically uninstructed. Dewey's chances of gaining a convention commitment from the big Pennsylvania delegation of 70 at its caucus next weekend dimmed with an announcement by Gov. Edward Martin, chairman, that he wanted the slate uninstructed.

# Doris Duke's Reno Decree Is Set Aside by Court

ELIZABETH, N.J., May 10—Mrs. Doris Duke Cromwell's Reno divorce from James H. R. Cromwell was found null and void in chancery court today and ordered set aside. Cromwell, former U.S. minister to Canada, brought the suit to nullify the Nevada decree and is seeking to obtain a divorce of his own.

## 'Our Town' Opens Tonight

The Anglo-American Forces' London production of Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize play, "Our Town," opens a two-week run at the Playhouse Theatre, Northumberland Ave., Charing Cross, tonight at 7.15. Attendance is restricted to U.S. military personnel and their Allied guests in uniform. Tickets may be obtained from CBS Special Service, at Rainbow Corner and at the Allied Forces ticket bureau in Trafalgar Sq.

## AFN Radio Program

- On Your Dial
- 1375 kc. 1402 kc. 1441 kc. 1420 kc. 1447 kc. 218.1m. 213.9m. 212.6m. 211.3m. 207.2m.
- Thursday, May 11
- 1100—Spotlight on Teddy Powell.
  - 1115—Personal Album with Helen Ward.
  - 1130—Midland Light Orchestra (BBC).
  - 1200—Noon Edition.
  - 1205—Betracks Bag.
  - 1300—World News (BBC).
  - 1310—Melody Roundup.
  - 1330—Jubilee—(Return Engagement).
  - 1400—News Headlines—Melody Mixture (BBC).
  - 1430—Visiting Hour—Hospital Theatre.
  - 1500—Music While You Work (BBC).
  - 1530—Off the Record.
  - 1630—Music We Love—Richard Crooks and Alfred Wolfenstein's Orchestra.
  - 1700—London Column.
  - 1715—Miss Parade.
  - 1725—French Lesson.
  - 1730—Albert Sandler and the Palm Court Orchestra and Program Resume.
  - 1800—World News (BBC).
  - 1810—GI Supper Club.
  - 1900—Seven O'Clock Sports—Latest sports news by Corporal Johnny Vrotos.
  - 1905—Symphony Hall—Boston Symphony Orchestra.
  - 2000—News From Home—Nightly roundup of news from the U.S.A.
  - 2010—Fred Waring Program.
  - 2025—Calling APOs.
  - 2030—Bing Crosby Music Hall.
  - 2100—World News (BBC).
  - 2115—Mail Call.
  - 2145—USO in the ETO—Piano by Page from "Bubbling Over."
  - 2300—Comedy Caravan—with Jimmy "Schnozzle" Durante and Gary Moore.
  - 2325—One Night Stand with Paul Martin.
  - 2335—Final Edition.
  - 2350—Sign off until 1100 hours Friday, May 12.

# This Queer Bird Lives In a New Jersey Tree

MONTCLAIR, N.J., May 10—A modern St. Simeon Stylites lives in a "luxuriously-furnished," electrically-lighted bungalow he built 60 feet up in a tree on a mountain. The discovery was made when Cofing Melkin Arslanian, oriental-rug dealer, asked for an election ballot and gave the tree as his residence. An investigator returned minus the seat of his trousers—he found two dogs guarding the tree.

(St. Simeon Stylites, born in Syria in the fourth century, lived on a 60-foot pillar for 30 years.)

# OCS Program To Be Slashed

## All but 11 of Original 26 Schools Probably Will Be Closed by Fall

WASHINGTON, May 10—Of the original 26 officer-candidate schools in the U.S., all but 11 will probably be closed by fall, the War Department has revealed. The latest schools to close include Fort Riley, Kan. (Cavalry); Fort Monroe, Va. (Coast Artillery); and Camp Hood, Tex. (Tank Destroyer), which were suspended in March.

Others to be closed soon include Camp Davis, N.C. (anti-aircraft artillery); Fort Custer, Mich. (Military Police); Edgewood Arsenal, Md. (Chemical Warfare), and Fort Knox, Ky. (Armored Command).

The only schools which still accept candidates are Fort Belvoir, Va. (Engineers); Fort Sill, Okla. (Field Artillery); Durham, N.C. (Finance); Fort Benning, Ga. (Infantry); Ann Arbor, Mich. (Judge Advocate General); Camp Barkley, Tex. (Medical Administration); Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md. (Ordnance); Camp Lee, Va. (Quartermaster); Fort Monmouth, N.J. (Signal Corps); New Orleans, La. (Transportation); and San Antonio, Tex. (Army Air Forces).

Of the four officer-candidate schools which were operated overseas, only the one in Australia remains open.

Since the Army reached its full strength of 7,700,000 men, the demand for junior officers has rapidly decreased until now no more than 2,500 new officers are commissioned a month. At their peak in December, 1942, 23,000 were graduated.

In addition to these radical cuts in the OCS program, the War Department recently announced that all officers would be given a thorough checkup to see whether they are really worthy of leadership. Misfits will be demoted or eliminated.

# Spouse Admits Trunk Murder

CRYSTAL CITY, Tex., May 10 (AP)—A "trunk murder" mystery which baffled Chicago and Los Angeles police for a week appeared solved today with the announcement by Deputy Sheriff Carrett Barnes that Soyla Villegos, 26-year-old Mexican aircraft-factory worker, had confessed that he killed his wife and sent her body in a trunk packed with salt from Chicago to Los Angeles.

Barnes said that Villegos had signed a confession that in Chicago he struck his wife Louise on the back of the head with his fist in an argument after drinking in a tavern and that he didn't know she was dead until he tried to revive her.

The next day, according to the alleged confession, he packed the body in salt in a trunk and got a friend, unaware of the trunk's contents, to take it to the railroad station and send it to Los Angeles.

Melting salt trickling from the trunk led to discovery of the corpse May 5.

Villegos was alleged to have said that after the slaying he returned to his former home here. Chicago police asked that he be held on a murder charge.

## Hopkins Leaves Hospital

ROCHESTER, Minn., May 10—Harry Hopkins, special assistant to the President, was discharged today from Mayo Clinic where he had been under treatment for a "nutritional disturbance" since Mar. 10. Physicians said he would be able to return to Washington after a short rest.

## Terry and the Pirates



# Here at Gen. Ike's Invitation



Capt. Thomas F. Darcy, conductor of the U.S. Army's official band, which will open its European concert tour in Hyde Park, London, at 3 PM Saturday.

# Army's No. 1 Band Arrives By Eighth Army

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The U.K. Appearances are scheduled daily, chiefly out-of-doors.

Generally, the band has found that the men go for popular music, although the response to classical tunes has been enthusiastic. Programs include music of the Allied nations, Darcy said.

The band offers a collegiate touch on parades. It is led by Drum Major Elmer Keppler, a staff sergeant from Platteville, Wis., who struts out wearing a typical high bearskin headpiece.

A 19-piece dance orchestra branches off the main band, which also has a crew of eight which specializes in boogie woogie.

## Oxford, Cambridge Open New Series of Courses

A new series of six-day courses at Oxford and Cambridge Universities are available for USAAF combat crewmen on leave, hospital convalescents and a limited number of other American personnel including nurses and WACs, Special Service Division ETOUSA announced yesterday.

The courses at Oxford, which begin next week, will open each Monday until further notice. Those at Cambridge will start May 22, June 5, July 10 and 24 and Aug. 7. Programs at both schools include lectures on the classics, economics, law, politics, religion and science.

Billet and mess fees are £3 12s. for officers and £1 12s. for EMs and applications must be directed to Chief of Special Service, HQ ETOUSA, APO 887. Except for combat crews, convalescents, nurses and WACs, applications must be approved by a major general or lieutenant general, it was announced.

More than 2,000 U.S. personnel have taken similar courses in the last 17 months.

## FDR Back in Routine, But Not at a 'Killing Pace'

WASHINGTON, May 10 (Reuter)—President Roosevelt is slowly getting back into routine but will not resume his previous "killing pace" for a while, Stephen Early, White House secretary, said today.

## Chief Navy Chaplains Here

Capt. Robert D. Workman, chief of U.S. Navy chaplains, and his two aides, Cmdr. John R. Boslet, Roman Catholic, and Lt. Cmdr. Joshua L. Goldberg, member of the Jewish faith, have arrived in Britain for a brief tour of American naval bases here and for informal discussions with high-ranking British religious leaders.

## Canteen Work Stops at 6

Officials supervising repairs at London's Stage Door Canteen, 201 Piccadilly, yesterday advised prospective GI volunteers that because of technical difficulties work must cease at 6 PM. Men with building experience, especially electricians, and other volunteers will be welcomed from 9 AM to 6 PM.

# Heights Taken By Eighth Army

Three villages and a number of important heights fell into the hands of the British Eighth Army yesterday as it pushed forward across the Apennine slopes on the Adriatic front behind the still-retreating German Tenth Army.

The advance took Palena, 30 miles inland from the Adriatic coast; the mountain village of Gamberale, across the upper reaches of the Sangro, and Fallascosa, three miles beyond Toricella—all in the vicinity of 9,000-foot-high Monte Matella.

Since starting after the Germans Saturday night, the Eighth has occupied 50 square miles of mountain country, and with the Nazi withdrawal continuing, the chief question was where the German commander would make his next stand.

No activity was reported on the Fifth Army front, but in the air RAF night bombers were over Leghorn and Genoa seven hours, attacking harbor installations. Bad weather grounded heavy day bombers.

# Foe Lost 1,317 Planes in April

NEW YORK, May 10—RAF and U.S. planes destroyed 1,317 German planes in April, Gen. Henry Arnold, USAAF chief, said in a speech here last night. Of these, 1,140 were shot down and 177 were destroyed on the ground.

This year alone, Gen. Arnold said, Allied planes had bombed more than 100 German cities and plastered 48 aircraft factories, many of them repeatedly.

The USAAF in one month this year flew 66,000 sorties over Nazi Europe, dropping 57,000 tons of bombs, or more than for the whole year in 1943, Gen. Arnold said.

## Ailing Aimee's Followers Pray in Shifts at Temple

LOS ANGELES, May 10—Followers of Evangelist Aimee Semple McPherson are praying in shifts at Angelus Temple for her recovery from an infection which developed as an aftermath of tropical fever contracted on a trip to Mexico. Her son Ralph said day-long prayers would continue until she recovered, adding:

"Medically there is no hope for her immediate recovery, but all things are possible through prayer. We have seen it happen again and again."

## Suspect Made Threats Against FDR, G-Men Say

PHILADELPHIA, May 10 (Reuter)—Arrest of a man charged with making threats in Washington against President Roosevelt was announced today by the FBI. Registered in a Philadelphia hotel as Harold R. Mason, the suspect was said to have admitted he had worked as a railwayman on several Presidential trains, including the one that took Mr. Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill to Canada.

# NEWS FROM HOME U.S. War Effort 'Brilliant,' Says OPA Chieftain

## Bowles Cites Expansion Of Services, Huge Navy, 'Shipping Miracle'

NEW YORK, May 10 (Reuter)—Praising the government for a "brilliant" war effort "in spite of many false starts and mistakes, waste and inefficiency," Chester Bowles, OPA chief, said in an address at Yale University that "never before in our history has the democratic process worked with greater vigor and vitality."

Bowles cited the expansion of the armed forces in four years to a strength of 11,000,000 "equipped as no army or navy has been equipped before"; growth of the Navy to a power greater than all other navies of the world combined; the Maritime Commission's "miracle of production" from 1,000,000 tons of shipping a year in 1941 to the present rate of almost 20,000,000 tons a year.

"It is Congress which has laid down the policies, provided the powers, voted the funds," he said. "I cannot recall any period in our history when Congress has been more active in inquiring into the operations of executive agencies, reviewing their procedures and performance."

"I am sure our enemies must regard the ungloried criticism in Congress as a sign of national weakness. Even our Allies raise their eyebrows at the independence of the branches of government. But they do not raise their eyebrows at the results—and they are what count."

## Author, Publishers Sued

NEW YORK, May 10—Etta Shriber, author of the best-selling "Paris Underground," and her publishers, Charles Scribner and Sons, were sued for \$30,000 today by Aladar A. Farkas, a Hungarian emigre, who alleged that Miss Shriber's book was a translation of a manuscript he had written around Miss Shriber's experiences in occupied France. He asked credit as co-author.

## The Physical's Too Tough

MEDFORD, Mass., May 10—Francis C. McGerity, 28, who holds a medical discharge from the Coast Guard, has been invited to join the WAC. The notification came from a WAC recruiting officer in a letter which misspelled his first name as Frances. McGerity wrote back politely declining but thanked the officer for her broadmindedness.

## Noblesse Oblige

LOS ANGELES, May 10—Harold Miller, 27, and William Harshberger, 28, were riding in a stolen cab. As police closed in, Miller and Harshberger jumped out of the cab, ran across an empty lot and dashed through the first open door they saw. It was the University Police Station. They're still there.

## Gutenberg Bible for Harvard

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 10—Harvard University has received a Gutenberg Bible, one of the ten complete copies known to be in the U.S. and worth more than \$100,000. The Bible was presented by George E. Widener, of Philadelphia. It is dated 1455 and was printed at Mainz, Germany.

## Powder Plants Resume

NEW YORK, May 10 (UP)—Smokeless-powder factories, after a long curtailment, have been ordered back to full production, the New York Journal of Commerce said today, adding that the increase was designed mainly to supply powder for heavy artillery.

# Glider Pilots -

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mines and booby traps and employment of high explosives.

The refresher course, however, is not the end of ground training for glider pilots. A continuous program of training and field problems is under way.

In the words of one pilot—1/Lt. Bartley D. Reinhardt, of Magdalena, N.M.—the training is changing the invasion picture for glider pilots. "We used to think we had as much of a chance as a one-legged man in a tail-kicking contest," he said. "Now we've got a wooden leg."

## By Milton Caniff

