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Allied Invaders Push Into Sicily

On Their Way to the Beaches of Sicily



The invasion armada of American, Canadian and British troops load the landing craft at an undisclosed port on the Mediterranean set to sail for the shores of Sicily. Several craft can be seen already en route with a destroyer escort. This picture was radioed to London from Algiers.

100 Miles of Coastline, Airdromes Captured; Fresh Troops Landed

Waves of Assault Troops Driving Inland After Parachutists and Glider Forces Strike Defenses in Dark

Under cover of hundreds of bombers and fighters, Allied invasion forces yesterday took possession of a hundred miles of Sicily's coast line and captured two airdromes without serious difficulty while fresh troops landed with guns and equipment to meet the inevitable Axis counter-attack.

The vast offensive operation by British, Canadian and American troops—comparable in difficulty to the invasion of Britain the Germans never dared attempt—was launched before dawn Saturday by a great armada of warships and troop transports, preceded earlier by fleets of transport planes towing gliders filled with airborne troops.

The use of gliders made history for the Allies. It was the first time they had been used by United Nations forces, although Germans employed them two years ago in storming Crete.

Last night operations were proceeding "damned well," in the words of a high Allied officer. Broadcasting from Algiers, Winston Burdett revealed Americans had taken "two airdromes, at least," in the southern section, and added that all the 100 miles of coast around the southeastern corner of Sicily now was in Allied hands.

Gen. Eisenhower's communique yesterday said that although few details had come in it was clear "that our operations continue to go according to plan. During the course of today's fighting good progress has been made and the advance continues. Information as to casualties is not yet available, but it is believed that they have been slight."

Not a Ship Lost in Landing

Even though the landing, which President Roosevelt described as "the beginning of the end" for the Axis, was carried out without the loss of a single ship, to the unconcealed satisfaction of officers at Allied headquarters in North Africa, it was much too early for optimism. The Axis commander-in-chief obviously was holding back some of his divisions to wait for the gravest threat to reveal itself.

The size of the opposing forces was in some doubt. For the Axis, there were believed to be about 300,000 Italian troops and about 100,000 Germans. The Allied troops, according to Washington dispatches, number "far in excess of 300,000."

Throughout Sunday, without intermission, the Allied navy continued its "most important task" of landing additional troops with their vehicles, guns, field equipment and stores.

This important work proceeded satisfactorily, said Gen. Eisenhower's communique, "in spite of a heavy swell on some of the beaches and the fact that exit places had been heavily mined at some of them."

Warships Silenced Enemy Guns

Air and sea forces worked in smooth cooperation. Whenever enemy shore batteries spoke up warships quickly silenced them. One observer told how a cruiser knocked out a battery with a single salvo. Minesweepers spent the day clearing the anchorages that will be needed to unload the heavier equipment as the invasion progresses.

In the air, fighters patrolled over the beaches in strength and met "only

United Nations Cheer Invasion

"The beginning of the end for Hitler and Mussolini."

In those words—both jubilant and soberly aware of the obstacles ahead—President Roosevelt expressed over the weekend the American reaction to the landings on Sicily.

There was general jubilation among the people of the United Nations, although their leaders took pains to point out, as did Premier Mackenzie King of Canada, that "We cannot expect easy victories and quick successes."

Russia was among the first to welcome the landing. "It is not the second front, of course," Russians in Moscow said, "but it is another important blow to the Axis."

Chairman Connally, of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, on the other hand, predicted that "the Allies will sweep through Sicily. I do not believe that they can be stopped. The curfew has rung for Italy."

One of the most spontaneous celebrations of the invasion occurred in New York's "Little Italy," where hundreds of American Italians hung out flags and then gathered in cafes to discuss the news.

USAAF and RAF Strike Hard In Weekend Raids on Europe

American and British light and heavy bombers hit at the Ruhr and power stations and airfields in France over the weekend, while fighters of both forces carried out round-the-clock sweeps.

RAF Lancasters made a "very heavy" raid on the central Ruhr, including Gelsenkirchen, Friday night, at a cost of ten bombers. The town is the center of oil refining and has iron, tin and steel works.

Jap Drive Fails On New Georgia

WASHINGTON, July 11—American troops on New Georgia yesterday fought off two Japanese columns trying to break through the jungle trail between Munda and the coast—the only overland supply route on the island—while U.S. warships and aircraft relentlessly pounded the vital Munda base.

Several miles west of New Georgia, Japanese naval force of cruisers and destroyers, appearing in this area for the first time since the Kula Gulf battle, was attacked Friday night by U.S. medium and heavy bombers which scored hits on several vessels. The next morning a Jap destroyer, beached on the southeast coast of Kolombangara, was bombed and strafed by mediums.

However the heaviest Allied air assault was dealt to the Munda airfield. More than 100 Avenger and Dauntless bombers dropped 70 tons of high explosives on anti-aircraft positions.

American artillery—on Rendova, eight miles south of the New Georgia airfield and at newly-won positions near Munda, supported the air attacks with heavy shelling.

In New Guinea Japanese positions in the Salamaua area of New Guinea were attacked from the air.

Saturday Flying Fortresses and RAF Venturas, accompanied by Spitfires and Typhoons, bombed the airfields at Caen, Abbeville, Maupertus and St. Omer, all in France.

Persistent fighter opposition was encountered and many enemy planes were brought down. Three bombers are missing.

One of the bomber formations was escorted by USAAF Thunderbolts. The Forts went to Caen and Abbeville, while Venturas bombed St. Omer. The escorting fighters swept down and shot up planes and crews on the ground. Three Forts were reported lost.

Bostons of the RAF, flying at tree-top height, blew up power stations at Bethune in the North of France yesterday without any fighter opposition. Only one crew reported seeing enemy planes in the sky. They didn't offer to fight.

Secretary of War Stimson Arrives Here for Talks

Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson has arrived in the British Isles to confer with Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers and civil authorities, ETO headquarters announced yesterday.

He was accompanied by Maj. Gen. Alexander D. Surlis, U.S. Army public relations chief; his special assistant, Harvey D. Bundy; Lt. Col. William H. S. Wright and Lt. Grand, aides, and Cpl. William Ford, clerk.

Allied Airborne Troops Struck First

By Dan De Luce

Associated Press War Correspondent

ALLIED HQ., North Africa, July 11—Sicily was invaded from the air by American and British paratroops and glider forces four hours before the first attack from the sea, it has been disclosed here. They achieved success with "negligible losses."

Fleets of the big American transports appeared over the island after 10 o'clock Friday night towing gliders filled with specially trained British and American forces. Cut from the big towing planes, the gliders floated to Sicilian soil at the scheduled time of 10.10 PM, beginning the attack on the island.

Farther to the west, more paratroops were dropped at 11.20 PM and moved

swiftly to consolidate positions behind the enemy beach defenses.

The air invasion squadrons appeared out of the heavy mist at extremely low altitudes, spotted their targets and dropped heavily armed forces despite ack ack fire and barrages from concealed pillboxes.

Although caught by searchlights, the planes of the American troop transport command maneuvered so skillfully that accurate enemy fire could not be maintained, it was officially stated.

The British gliders were cut loose and landed on eastern targets while American paratroops, blackened weapons ready, bailed out over targets to the west in the invasion zone. Large fires were still burning from the Allied bombings.

Lt. Col. John Cerny, of Harrison,

Idaho, commander of one troop carrier unit, said: "All the ships went directly ahead in the face of flak, pillbox fire and searchlights. The pilots showed remarkable courage in continuing toward their targets, dropping an entire battalion in an area."

The gliders and paratroops were landed during the diversionary bombing of several parts of Sicily by Allied night bombers. It was the first time Allied fighting men had been delivered to the battlefields by air in an airborne operation. In contrast to the Crete operation, which cost the Germans 100 transport planes and the lives of thousands of specialized troops, only "an insignificant proportion" of the Allied transport planes and gliders were lost in the operation, it was claimed here.

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A map of Sicily showing landing points and key towns and airfields is printed, together with a story detailing the historical background and topographical features of the island, on page 6.

negligible opposition." Roads and communications throughout Sicily were thoroughly bombed, and attacks were kept up on the few airdromes still used by the enemy, among them Castelvetrano, where Mitchells staged one of their greatest raids and scored hits on aircraft. Algiers radio said Liberators so far had dumped 275,000 pounds of explosives on Comiso in southern Italy, destroying large numbers of planes on the ground. Catania

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Gen. Eisenhower Rubbed Old Coins—Just for Luck

ALGIERS, July 11—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower always carries in his pocket seven old coins, including a gold English five-guinea piece.

As the Allied invasion fleet approached Sicily to begin the great assault on Europe the general gave them a good rub for luck. In fact, as one of his aides said, he gave them several good rubs.

Gen. Eisenhower spent all night at headquarters except for one brief period when he drove out to the coast with a small party of his staff to watch the Allied air fleet leaving.

Battering Rams Of Tanks Smash At Soviet Lines

Nazi Onslaught from Orel To Byelgorod Fails, Russians Claim

MOSCOW, July 11—Germany's tank-led battering ram smashed savagely at the Russian wall guarding the Byelgorod front yesterday as the Nazi offensive roared into its seventh day.

There still was no indication as to the course the battle was taking, but Soviet dispatches maintained that the violent German attacks had failed.

Here in the Soviet capital the Russians are all smiles as they read and listened to the news of the Sicily invasion. German troops also received the news by loud-speakers and leaflets.

Fiercer Fighting in Air

In the air the fighting is becoming fiercer each day. Sweating Germans attacking through flaming grain fields near Byelgorod were mercilessly pounded from the air by Red Star fighters and bombers.

On the Kursk-Orel front, where the Nazis are trying to push southward with the intention of cutting deeply across the Russian salient, their drive has been checked.

Their latest attacks on this sector were preceded by an immense artillery barrage which pounded the Russian forward positions.

Hand-to-Hand Fighting

Then the infantry came in. One Russian unit had to face no less than eight consecutive attacks, and near a railway station small groups of Nazis began to filter through the Russian defenses.

Bloody hand-to-hand fighting developed and while it was continuing a number of tanks succeeded in piercing the forward Russian lines.

The summer heat wave increased the discomfort of the battle, which in six days has cost the Germans 2,338 tanks and 1,037 planes, according to Soviet official communiques.

USSR Munition Output Up 50%, Moscow Says

A third of the Soviet munitions factories have been evacuated to the east since war began and have been so well established that output has increased by leaps and bounds, Moscow radio reported yesterday.

In the first half of this year munition production was 50 per cent higher than at the same period in 1942. Production of some types has increased more than eight times while the cost of production has fallen more than half.

Allied Invaders Push Into Sicily, Seize Airfields

100 Miles of Coastline 'Are Safely Held' as More Troops Land

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was another heavily hit target of the Liberators.

Both American and British units used parachutes and gliders. Transport pilots who towed the gliders in low said most of the time they were over their objectives before ack-ack picked them up. At least one entire heavily armed battalion landed in one area.

The chief prizes on Sicily are 10 air bases from which the Luftwaffe in the past was able to launch as many as 300 planes in a day. The most important base is Gerbini, near the port of Catania, which has been a target for the heaviest Allied attacks. Biscari, Comiso, Gela, Ponte, Olio and Catania are in eastern Sicily, Bocca di Falco, Milo, Castelvetro, Sciacca and Borizzo in the west. From Bocca a bomber could reach Naples in an hour and Rome would be only a little farther.

Rome radio, asserting that Sicily was only the first defense line, seemed well aware that the island's fall would bring the war direct to the door of the "eternal city." This point was emphasized by President Roosevelt's message to Pope Pius Saturday that Allied troops would report the "neutral status of the Vatican city and the papal domains throughout Italy"—a clear indication that the United Nations intended to march to the Italian mainland as soon as they were able.

Began Months Ago

The invasion story really goes back months ago, even before the fall of Tunisia. The Allied high command began accumulating stock piles in the Mediterranean long ago, and several months ago landing craft of all descriptions were on hand. In recent weeks seemingly endless processions of Allied convoys carrying material for the invasion have been moving from west to east in the Mediterranean.

The "tip-off" that invasion could not be far away came late last week when, after seven consecutive days' bombing of Sicily's airdromes, the German high command withdrew its fighter planes from the island to conserve them for use against a landing.

The actual operations began on Friday night. Four hours before any of the invasion force appeared off the coast, at exactly 10.10 PM, fleets of big American transports appeared over Sicily towing big gliders that were cut loose and floated down to landings. American paratroopers landed behind beach defenses in the west of the invasion zone while British troops bailed out over the eastern end.

In contrast to the German operations at Crete, where thousands of troops and a hundred transport planes were destroyed, the Allies paratroop losses over Sicily were "negligible," it was stated officially at Allied headquarters.

Libs Ruined Axis HQ

Hours before the landings, Middle East Liberators demolished the Axis general headquarters in the San Domenico Hotel at Taormina on the east coast, as well as the general post office building where all telephone, telegraph and other communication facilities were concentrated.

Then, at 3 AM on Saturday morning, under the guns of one of the greatest armadas this war has seen, the landings began. Skies overhead were filled by the protecting umbrella of Allied aircraft as landing craft detached themselves from the armada and sped in to the beaches. In a few moments soldiers were clambering onto the beaches.

They stormed pillboxes and beach defenses, while the fleet's big guns blasted at shore batteries. The great grey ships hurled broadsides after broadsides without opposition from Axis planes or warships, the attacking troops were able to storm the beaches quickly despite machine-gun and artillery fire, and by 6 AM the success of the landing was assured.

Ninety minutes later the troops were advancing and artillery was being put ashore. As they moved inland to strike at enemy strong points and break up his communications, Allied planes kept up a protective umbrella over them, shooting down 22 Axis aircraft but losing 28 planes themselves. Heavy bombers meanwhile blasted Syracuse, Catania and scores of other targets in east and southeast Sicily.

First Clash at Gela

One of the first clashes with the enemy occurred near Gela on the south coast, where Allied warships caught sight of an enemy tank column lumbering down to the beach as American troops were wading through the surf. The ships opened up with their big guns and smashed a path through for the landing party.

Allied headquarters said the landings extended over 100 miles of coastline but mentioned only one landing place by name—Gela. Nazi sources said, however, that the first landings were made at Canicatti, Aragona, Licata and Syracuse along the southern tip of the island.

Berlin radio said coastal defense forces had warded off landing attempts northeast of Marsala, north of Syracuse, and near Cap Passero, southeast of the island. It added that several fully loaded landing barges were sunk in these operations and others were so badly damaged they could be assumed lost.

The German radio also claimed that the major portion of the Allied paratroopers landed only a small

U.S., British Newsmen Kept Invasion Secret

ALLIED HQ., North Africa, July 11—More than 100 American and British newspaper correspondents kept the secret of the imminent invasion of Sicily from the middle of June, it was disclosed today.

At a press conference last month, Gen. Eisenhower stunned newsmen with the announcement that overseas operations would begin within a month and that the attack would be aimed at Sicily.

Before the conference broke up, the General gave some further details of the coming operation and warned his listeners not to talk about the secret. They didn't.

Men Were Set For Air Invasion

Eager U.S. Paratroopers Cheered Announcement Of Invasion Blow

By Hack Foisie

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

ADVANCED AIRFIELD, North Africa, July 9 (delayed)—American paratroopers who will be landing amid the enemy in Sicily less than an hour from now are ready.

This is the moment they have long awaited. There is a year of concentrated training behind them. Many of them will now get their first taste of war—the toughest kind—the invasion of Europe.

They are lounging in the shadow of the wings of the big transports which will carry them over the black shadowed Mediterranean to carefully designated dropping zones.

But not until this morning were they told "Tonight is it." They cheered that announcement and at least one good crack came from the ranks—"Hurrah! No more C Rations." (Men carry D and K ration packages into battle.)

But the bivouac atmosphere remained businesslike and grim. No boasts, no doubts, no horseplay, no heroics. The Yanks were ready and confident. Tense-ness mounted as time grew short. Last chow was served at 3.30 PM—the sun set behind the Tunisian djebels.

The colonel who would lead the combat team into action was giving a last-minute briefing to the enlisted men, officers, and one war correspondent who would ride and jump with him. All wore American flags freshly sewed to their sleeves.

The colonel, the tallest of them all with his lean face more liberally smudged with blackening, outlined their procedure after hitting the ground.

His words were calm, cool and direct. The time for pep talks is past. Operations had started.

"You'd better do it in a hurry," the colonel added, "for there are going to be a lot of itchy trigger fingers."

The briefing ended. The men had a few minutes left for a smoke, a drink of water and a little talk. I asked some enlisted men going in the lead plane the same question: "How do you feel about it?"

This is how they answered: Cpl. Nicholas Kasrantas, of Pittsburgh, said, "I feel better than I have for a long time. You see, this is taking me closer to home." He paused, and then added: "Say, can you put in my nickname—'Baby.' That's the first English word I learned."

Pvt. David McKewon, of Philadelphia, said: "I am raring to go. I am all on edge and my nickname is 'Dandy Dan.'"

Pvt. Robert C. Bue, Dayton, Ohio: "We have waited for this chance. I am certainly glad to leave Africa."

Pvt. John Noncak, of Portland, N.Y., said: "I feel just like the rest of the boys."

Pvt. Louis Mendieta, who has no home town, said: "I can live anywhere in a free land. I might someday want to live in Sicily, so I figure we had better get going."

Raid Casualties Highest

BERNE, July 11 (UP)—Casualties and material losses suffered by the civilian populations of western and northwest Germany are at the moment far greater than those on the various fronts, declares the Berlin correspondent of the Tribune de Geneve.

Allies' June Sea Losses Lowest Since War Began, Report Says

Losses from all forms of enemy action at sea in June were the lowest recorded since the war began, according to a joint announcement issued yesterday by the United States and British governments. The losses of Allied and neutral merchant ships from submarine attacks last month were the lowest since the U.S. entered the war.

The main transatlantic convoys were practically unmolested, which is an indication of the heavy toll taken of Axis U-boats in May, the announcement stated. The U-boat attacks on our

New U.S. Dive-bomber in Sicily Action



The A36 Mustang dive-bomber, like these above in a test flight in the States, is playing a vital role in the furious Allied air onslaught over Sicily. Developed from the high-speed P51 fighter type, it has been equipped with bomb racks and dive brakes for both glide-bombing and dive-bombing.

Troops Swarmed Onto Beaches From Mass of Ships, Pilots Say

ALLIED HQ., North Africa, July 11 (AP)—Allied troops landing on Sicily "looked like a million flies crawling in on the beaches," pilots back from bombing the island said here.

"The ships came rolling up in waves and our boys were simply pouring over the beaches," said one. "It is hard to see how the Italians can do much fighting with so many aircraft pounding them from above."

Hundreds of aircraft filled the sky as the invasion barges closed in on the sandy shore, an American airman reported.

(Allied warships shelled the island without interruption as the troops landed, sometimes dashing in close to fire salvos, then swooping out again, a pilot told a United Press correspondent. "I have never seen so many ships in my life.")

"The coastal regions of Sicily were black with invasion barges and supporting naval craft," one airman said. "All that one saw between Sicily and Tunis was a mass of ships shuttling back and forth."

The majority of the pilots covering the powerful forces that went ashore reported that they encountered few fighters and only light flak.

Reconnaissance photographs of Axis strongpoints were brought back and inside an hour they had been developed and a group of pilots flying the new American A36 fighter-bomber were taking off to attack them.

'40 Miles of Boats'

A Marauder pilot described the scene as the invasion barges swept in "as the biggest thing I ever saw."

"There seemed to be 40 miles of boats of all kinds out there in the sea. On the edges were the destroyers zigzagging and in the middle were invasion barges followed by merchant ships. The great mass of craft turned the sea to a solid patch."

A flight lieutenant said: "We were just coming home from a raid on Sicily when we saw the naval force. It was lined up in battle order and seemed to extend all over the Mediterranean. It stood out just like a big group of islands. Just as we passed over it the whole naval force opened fire and it seemed like a volcanic eruption."

Scores of Allied pilots took off in the darkness to provide an air shield for the landing or to continue the attack on the island aerodromes. Some were assigned to reconnaissance and many simply went "hunting," strafing any target that appeared.

Only Two Axis Fighters

Fortress crews said they saw only two enemy fighters and these gave the big B17s a wide berth. All statements by returning airmen agreed that Axis airpower was largely neutralized at least during the critical hours when the troops were coming ashore and the tremendous armada of their supply ships was potentially within range of Axis bombers.

All observers' views coincided that the big air attack had considerably assisted operations.

The fading light of the night preceding "the day" brought no interruption of the pulverizing bombing which had started a week ago.

In the darkness shortly before the landing, what was officially described as "one of the biggest formations of RAF Wellingtons ever to leave North Africa" smashed Sicily's seacoast and strong points. Wave after wave of British bombers kept bombing and marking the same targets, almost until the moment when the first troops were wading ashore.

Large groups of RAF Bostons, South African Bostons and Baltimores and American Mitchells had a mission almost identical with that of the Wellingtons. The Mitchells alone went inland to attack Castel Vetrano airfield. The

Truman Report Criticizes B-26s, Dive Bombers

Committee Investigating Air Output Praises Fortresses, Libs

WASHINGTON, July 11—A report on American aircraft issued by the Truman committee of the Senate yesterday criticized the B26 Marauder, the A25 and A35 attack bombers, but praised the performance of the Fortress, Liberator, Lightning, Mitchell and the Mustang.

The B26 two-engined bomber is unsafe when operated by pilots not especially trained for it, the report stated. Army dive-bombers, the report charged, cannot be operated unless there is clear air superiority.

(Immediately after the report was made public, United Press reported, charges in Federal Court were made against the Wright Aeronautical Corp. by Charles Phillips, U.S. Attorney.

(The Truman committee charged the Wright Corporation with producing defective planes at the Lockland, Ohio, plant, which it passed on to the USAAF by means of falsified tests and forged inspection reports.

(Some engines sold to the Government leaked gasoline, while more than a quarter of the engines built, at the plant consistently failed in one or more major parts during a three-hour test run, the committee charged, according to United Press.)

Pointing out that it was only natural that in the vast aircraft production program the United States has undertaken there would be mistakes, the committee stated that the B-26 or Marauder, manufactured by the Glenn Martin L. Martin Co., was unsafe because of unusual difficulties in landing and taking off. The Army, the report said, plans to taper off its production of the Marauder.

The Curtiss A25, a dive-bomber, will be manufactured in greatly reduced numbers, the report said, because of the Army's opinion that it is not valuable for its purposes and because "of the inability of the company to produce usable planes."

Until recent months, the report stated, the Ford Motor Company's Willow Run plant had not produced a plane that was capable of use at the front, but now production has shown "great progress."

The P38 Lightning and the P47 Thunderbolt fighters were given unqualified approval by the committee, but the P40 Warhawk came in for strong criticism as being inferior to the P38, P47 and the P51 Mustang.

Equip Aircraft With New SOS

LOS ANGELES, July 11 (UP)—American airmen forced down at sea can now send an SOS signal from their rubber dinghy by means of a hand-powered radio transmitter known as the "Gibson Girl."

Details of the "Gibson Girl" were given here by one of its makers. When a plane is about to come down in the sea its crew drops the "Gibson Girl," packed in a bright yellow waterproof bag, by parachute. The bag contains a transmitter, a collapsible box kite, two deflated balloons, two hydrogen generators, two airdrops, a signal light and a set of instructions.

Then either the kite or one of the balloons—which can be inflated by use of the hydrogen generator—is sent into the air with an aerial attached. By merely turning a handle at the top of the transmitter, an SOS signal is automatically sent out.

Axis Troops Shifted South To Meet New Allied Blow

MADRID, July 11 (AP)—The shifting of the Axis European forces as a result of the invasion of Sicily has led to the further strengthening of the Axis coastal garrisons on the Gulf of Lyons and the Pyrenees to eastern Italy.

Frontier reports have indicated that even the Atlantic fortifications of southern France have been called upon for troops to strengthen the Mediterranean defenses of the Axis.

Saboteurs Smuggled Into France by Planes

Frenchmen trained in underground activity are being smuggled into France at night by airplanes and submarines, it was disclosed by the Columbia Broadcasting System, quoting Capt. Douglas Smith, described as a representative of Gen. Georges Catroux.

Once ashore, the French patriots maintain communications with the Allies by radio and lead "thousands" of men and women in subversive actions against the Nazis.

"The partisans are well organized

New Red Cross Club Opens in Bishop's Palace

1,200 Attend Dedicatory Rites on Cathedral Plot in Norwich

NORWICH, July 11—With 1,200 soldier and civilian guests present the American Red Cross club in the Bishop's Palace here was formally opened yesterday. The Lord Bishop Percy Mark Herbert, 64th Bishop of Norwich, presented the key of the palace to Lt. Col. George R. Fearing, who in turn presented it to Pvt. Harry Goldstein, of New York, chairman of the soldiers' committee which helped arrange the opening.

Speakers at the ceremony included W. B. Covington, of Florence, S.C., director of the club; A. J. Cleveland, Mayor of Norwich; E. J. Beinecke, deputy commissioner of the American Red Cross; Pvt. Goldstein, and the Bishop, who opened the program with a dedicatory prayer.

The Royal Norfolk Regiment band played. Other events were a variety show and a softball game.

The Bishop's Palace, which dates from 1096 and is surrounded by a seven-acre garden within the cathedral grounds, was turned over to the American Red Cross by the bishop. Each room in the palace is a memorial to one of the previous 63 bishops of Norwich.

At present there are sleeping accommodations for 200 soldiers in the palace and annexes, but it is expected that a capacity of 600 will be available soon.

Cheltenham

CHELTEMPHAM, July 11—Program for the week at the Queens Red Cross club here: Monday—Camera club, 7:30 PM; dance class, 7:45 PM; beginners' photography class, 8 PM. Tuesday—American-British club, 7 PM; beginners' French class, 7:30 PM; tango class, 7:45 PM; movie, 8 PM. Wednesday—French table for dinner, 6:15 PM; French class, 7 PM; German class, 7:30 PM; Red Cross show, 8 PM. Thursday—Dance, 8 PM; house committee dinner, 6:15 PM. Friday—American-British music club, 7:30 PM; games in lounge. Saturday—Movie, 8 PM. Sunday—All-day picnic, 11 AM; transcribed concert hour, 2:30 PM; dance, juke box, 8 PM.

Milestone Club

A fishing party will leave the Red Cross Milestone club, 2 Kensington Ct., London, W.8, tomorrow at 2 PM. Program for the week: Wednesday—Dance instruction, 7:30 PM; club dance in Panel Room, 8:30 PM. Thursday—Softball in Kensington Gardens, 10:30 AM. Friday—Swimming party, 3 PM. Saturday—Horseback riding party, 11 AM; Milestone Varieties, 11:30 PM. Sunday—Picnic and box lunch, 11 AM; reception and open house, 6-9 PM.

Charles St.

A movie will be shown tomorrow night at 8 o'clock at the Charles St. club, Charles St., London, W.1. Program for the week: Wednesday—Ping pong tournament, 8 PM. Thursday—Dinner dance and cabaret, Frank Rosato's band, 7-11 PM. Saturday—Dinner dance, 7-11:30 PM. Sunday—Buffet supper dance in the ballroom, 7-11 PM.

Duchess Club

Fun and Games Night will be held tomorrow night at 7:30 at the Duchess Red Cross club, 1 Duchess St., London W.1. Program for the week: Wednesday—Theater party at the club, 8 PM. Thursday—Hostess night party, 7:30-10:30 PM. Saturday—Afternoon tea party, Cab Quays' band, 3-6 PM. Sunday—Afternoon musical tea hour, 4:30-5:30 PM.

Victory Club

A German class will be held tonight at 7 at the Victory club, 15 Seymour St., London, W.1. Program for the week: Tuesday—Theater party, buffet, 6:10 PM. Wednesday—Softball, 7 PM; dance, 8-11 PM. Thursday—German class, 7 PM; Jack Maney at the piano, 9-11:30 PM. Friday—Informal Allied "Good Neighbor" discussion, 8 PM. Saturday—Softball, 7 PM; Victory Varieties, 9 PM. Sunday—Picnic, 11 AM; movies, 8 PM.

Washington Club

French and Spanish classes will be conducted tonight at the Washington club, 6 Curzon St., London, W.1. Program for the week: Tuesday—Individual dancing lessons, 2:30-5:30 PM; dance in cafeteria, RAF Grosvenor House band, 8:30-11 PM. Wednesday—French class, 7-9 PM; shorthand dictation practice, 7-9 PM; Mail Call radio program in lounge, 9:25 PM; NES concert party, "On the Run", 10:30 PM. Thursday—Spanish class, 7:30-9 PM; shorthand dictation practice, 7-9 PM; movie in cafeteria, 8:30 PM. Saturday—Dance in cafeteria, REME band, 8:30-11 PM. Sunday—Ramble in country, 9:30 AM.

Mostyn

Iowans serving in the ETO will meet tonight at 7:15 at the American Red Cross Mostyn club, 17, Postman St., London, W.3. Program for the week: Tuesday—Michigan night, 7:15 PM; Movies, 6:15 and 8:15 PM; Movies of outing at Kenwood, Rochester and E. Horsley, 8 PM. Wednesday—New Jersey night, 7:15 PM; Ping pong challenge night, 8 PM. Thursday—Boating and picnic on the Serpentine, 6 PM; Tennessee and Kentucky night, 7:15 PM. Friday—Theater party, "Eve of St. Mark", 6:30 PM; Open house, 9-11 PM; Glee club, 7:30 PM. Saturday—Dance, 8-11 PM; Victor Feldman trio starting a nine-year-old drummer, 9:30 PM. Sunday—Outing to Mill Hill, 10:30 AM.

Rainbow Corner

A dance will be held tonight at 8 PM in Rainbow Hall, Shaftesbury Ave., London, W.1. Program for the week: Tuesday—Open house in Rainbow Room, dates, 3-6 PM; Salute to Special Services, 7 PM. Wednesday—Musical show, Al Shaw and his Blue Hawaiians, 9:30 PM. Thursday—Eagle club broadcast to America, 3 PM; Games night, 8 PM. Friday—Dance in Rainbow Hall, Frank Rosato's band, Adele Astaire judging jitterbug contest, 8 PM. Saturday—Open house in Rainbow Room, dates, 3-6 PM; Movies, 2:30-6 PM and 6:30-10 PM. Sunday—Movies, 2-5 PM; Dance in Rainbow Hall, Skyrocket band, 8 PM.

Belfast

BELFAST, N.I., July 11—"Your Hit Parade" is the title of a new program idea at the American Red Cross here. Guests at regular Saturday night dances are given mimeographed tune sheets and asked to pick favorites. The following Sunday night the most popular numbers are used in a community sing. Leading number this week was "I Had the Craziest Dream." "Every Night About

Shiny New U.S.-Made Car Stirs GIs Emotionally

BELFAST, July 11—Three GIs who have seen only tiny, worn British automobiles for a long time came upon a long, shiny new Buick direct from the U.S. outside their barracks the other day.

Pvt. Marshall Sola, of Chicago, Ill., looked at Pfc Carsie Kemp, of Bethpage, Tenn., and Kemp looked at Pfc Harvey French of Monroe, La. Then, of one mind, they bent low over the U.S. Embassy's dazzling new sedan and did the only thing they could to express a sudden nostalgia for the days of swift motor cars and gasoline and rubber to burn.

They salaamed low and reverently kissed the gleaming cream-green finish.

Radio to Honor French Fourth

British, U.S. Statesmen To Exchange Views Tomorrow Night

Special radio features Wednesday in honor of France's National Day highlight this week's BBC programs. French broadcasts will be heard from 7:30 PM to 11:30 PM on the Home Service and from 7:30 PM to 11 PM on the Forces wavelength.

Four British MPs will talk with Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, J. M. McCormack, majority leader, and J. W. Martin, minority leader, at 8:35 in the Home Service tomorrow night in a program called "Washington and Westminster."

A Philadelphia ball game will be described Wednesday at 1:15 PM in the Forces program with recorded interviews with baseball celebrities. "Mail Call" will bring lively overseas messages to Americans at 9:25 PM Thursday over the Forces network, and Jack Benny's variety show will go on the air at the same time Friday. "Yankee-Doodle-Do," American-style variety program, will be heard at 8:30 PM Saturday.

Gen. Emmons Here for Talks

Lt. Gen. Delos C. Emmons, until recently commanding general of the United States Army in the Hawaiian Department, has arrived in London, it was announced yesterday.

He will confer with Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, ETOUSA commander, it was announced, but the nature of the conferences or of his future plans is not stated.

Gen. Emmons is noted as an air officer. In 1939 he was commanding general, GHQ Air Force, and in June, 1941, he was assigned chief of USAAF Combat Command.

Ten days after the Pearl Harbor attack the general was sent to the Hawaiian Department as commander. He was recently relieved from this post to take up his present unspecified assignment.

"This Time" and "Why Don't You Fall in Love with Me," tied for second place, with "As Time Goes By" a close third.

Marshall Ct.

BOURNEMOUTH, July 11—An all-day picnic will be held tomorrow at the Marshall Ct. Red Cross club here. A musical appreciation program will be held at 9 PM. Program for the week: Tuesday—Dance, 8-11 PM. Wednesday—Movies, 9 PM. Thursday—Formal dance, Flying Yanks band, 8-12 PM. Friday—Repeats present Danclous Time and selections from Desert Song, 9:30 PM. Saturday—Dance, 8-11:30 PM. Sunday—Bicycle trip and picnic, swimming, 11 AM; Ministry of Information film, 10 PM.

Mt. Pleasant, Liverpool

LIVERPOOL, July 11—Three new events are planned for the coming week at the American Red Cross Mount Pleasant club: an ice skating party, "Lead the Band" night and a "county fair carnival." The ice skating party will be held Tuesday at 7:30 at the Palace ice rink. The "Lead the Band" night is Wednesday when GIs will step from the dance floor and wave the baton from 7:30 to 10:30 PM. Side shows, pink lemonade, hot dogs and kewpie dolls, or reasonable facsimiles will feature the "county fair carnival" which will be held Sunday from 12 noon until 12 midnight. Attractions will cost one penny, the proceeds to go to the British Red Cross. Program for remainder of week: Thursday—Door Prize Night, 9 PM. Polly at the Piano, 6-8:30 PM. Saturday—Dance to Hennessy's swing band, 8-11 PM. Cabaret show, 9:30 PM.

Bristol

BRISTOL, July 11—Program for the week at the Lyndale Red Cross club here: Monday—Movies, 8 PM. Tuesday—Date night dance, 7:30-10:30 PM. Wednesday—Open house, 8-10 PM. Thursday—Movies, 8 PM. Saturday—Soldier Variety show, 7:30-9 PM; dance, 9-10:30 PM. Sunday—Coffee hour, 4 PM; dance in Recreation Hall, 8-10:30 PM.

Kingston

KINGSTON, July 11—Program for the week at the Red Cross club here: Tuesday—Secretarial service, 7-9 PM. Thursday—Boat ride, picnic supper, 6 PM; Secretarial service, 7-9 PM. Friday—Dance, Ben Oakley's band, 7:30-11 PM. Sunday—Movie, 7:30 PM.

Kettering

KETTERING, July 11—Program for the week at the Red Cross club here: Monday—House committee meeting, 8 PM. Tuesday—Dancing class, 7:30 PM. Thursday—Dance, N.F.S. band, 8 PM. Saturday—Movie, 7:30 PM. Sunday—Open house, 3-6 PM; Mary Clare at the piano, 4 PM; Sightseeing trip, 5:30 PM; Music hour, 8 PM.

Eighth Bomber Wing Leaders Awarded Stars

Pilots Win Air Medals For Heroic Combats Over Europe

An Oak Leaf Cluster to the Silver Star, the U.S. Army's third highest award for valor, has been presented to Brig. Gen. Francis H. Brady, commander of a medium bombardment wing, Eighth Air Force Headquarters announced yesterday. Gen. Brady, who received his Silver Star in World War I, was decorated with the cluster for personally leading a medium bombardment group on its first flight over hostile territory, during which they made a low-level daylight attack on heavily defended European targets. For leading a heavy bombardment wing over Bordeaux on May 17—which until that time was the deepest penetration of enemy territory by the Eighth Air Force—Col. Alfred A. Kessler Jr., of Sacramento, Cal., was awarded the Silver Star. He was in the leading plane and met with determined fighter opposition.

In addition to these, five Air Medals have been awarded: Lt. Col. John H. De Russey, of St. Antonio, Tex., was seriously wounded by an exploding 20mm. cannon shell while leading a heavy bombardment group over Kiel on May 19 as co-pilot of the lead plane. With complete disregard of his painful wounds, De Russey continued on to bomb successfully a highly important target.

Medal for Fighter Pilot

Escorting a bomber formation, fighter pilot Capt. Leroy Gover, of San Carlos, Cal., engaged a formation of four enemy fighters. He probably destroyed one of the enemy and damaged two others.

Capt. Allen V. Martini, of San Francisco, pilot of the Fort "Dry Martini," is cited for his action following the successful bombing of the Renault plant in Paris on April 4. On the return trip a large force of Nazi fighters attacked his plane, knocked out one engine, severely damaged the plane and wounded five members of the crew.

Despite the serious damage, Martini maneuvered his plane so successfully against the large attacking force that his gunners were able to destroy ten of the enemy fighters.

1/Lt. Lyle M. Adams, of Novinger, Miss., was decorated for superior airmanship and bravery while piloting a Fort on the May 17 raid on Bordeaux. Before reaching the target, Adams' ship was damaged by 15 hits from enemy fighter 20-mm. cannon shells. The damaged plane was almost uncontrollable and was forced out of formation. Adams brought the unwieldy Fort back into the formation and held her there to give his bombardier a good shot at the target.

In the Wilhelmshaven and Emden raids on May 21, the Fort piloted by 1/Lt. George C. Paris, of Lumberton, N.C., had two engines put out of action by enemy fighters, a fire was started and other serious damage caused. Paris kept the crippled B17 in formation, although some distance from the target, and made an excellent bombing run.

GI Wins British Medal, First Time in 81 Years

A MILITARY POLICE UNIT, July 11—For the first time in 81 years an outsider has won the coveted British National Rifle Association Medal. He is Sgt. Eugene T. O'Dell, of Minneapolis, Minn., who has just been awarded the medal for competition on 200, 300, 500 and 600 yard ranges.

O'Dell, member of a unit commanded by Capt. H. A. Heck, of Baton Rouge, La., already has won three other British medals in 17 months overseas.

Holder of the War Department's Distinguished Medal for rifle marksmanship, a former Minnesota pistol and rifle champion, and one-time holder of two world's records in pistol marksmanship, O'Dell has been giving a number of exhibitions before Home Guard and civilian police units in England.

Tires Made From Corn

AKRON, Ohio, July 11 (UP)—The first tires made from shelled corn have been produced here. Nearly ten bushels of corn were needed to make a complete set of tires for one tractor.

Mayonnaise Battle Rages As Cooks Disagree on Eggs

BELFAST, July 11—Round three in the "recipe for mayonnaise" battle between mess hall maestros of the Lockheed Overseas Corporation and a U.S. Army medical unit in Ulster started when F. O. Peterson, LOC cook, answered a challenge submitted by the medic pot-rasslers, T/4s John Day and Leon Patte.

Two weeks ago Peterson passed along a recipe that was meant to help cooks who can't get fresh eggs for salad dressing. Day and Patte came back with one that included eggs and challenged Peterson to beat it.

"Without being catty," Peterson writes in a letter to The Stars and Stripes' "School for Brides" Department, "I'd like to know where Day and Patte get their eggs. Furthermore, their recipe is one that is internationally known and not original. They also use tinned milk,

Troops in Ulster at Freda's Birthday



Freda M. spends her second birthday with her "Foster Uncles" at an American base in Northern Ireland.

Stars and Stripes Orphan Fund Tops £25,000, Half-Way Mark

The Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund passed the half way mark in its drive to raise £50,000 when fund headquarters announced over the weekend that the total received since the project was launched last September amounted to £25,149 4s. 1d.

The latest figures also include six contributions received from units and individuals during the week and amounting to £235 4s. 8d.

11th USO Show On Road Today

Willie Shore, of Chicago, who led the last group of American entertainers to arrive in the ETO, hits the road today with "Band Wagon," new USO-Camp Show. Ten other shows are touring American camps this week.

"Band Wagon," scheduled for the Newport area, includes Josephine Delmont, singer and dancer; Leo Silverman, pianist; George Brien, drummer; Dorothy Reckless, acrobat and magician, and an eight-piece soldier band.

Bob Hope will play at points near Salisbury, Exeter, Bristol and Plymouth, and Hank Ladd's "High Lights and Hilarity" goes to camps around Taunton and Bristol. "Yvette and her GI Gang" visit the Manchester and Glasgow districts; "Rudy Starita and His Starlites" go to the Derby area, and "Bally Laffs," featuring George Freemans, plays near Swindon and Newbury.

Billy Guest's "Jive Time" is booked for the Bedford area; "Fun Marches On" goes to points around Norwich; "Broadway Time" visits the Plymouth area; Adolphe Menjou and Grace Drysdale go to the Colchester district with "Hollywood Time," and Stubby Kaye's "Show Time" is scheduled to play the Bury St. Edmunds area.

British Army Exhibition Is Opened in London

More than 23,000 different items of equipment, ranging from a mobile shower bath to a full-sized replica of a modern trench, are displayed in a British Army exhibition now open in London.

Located on the blitzed site on the North side of Oxford St., between Hollis St., and Old Cavendish St., the exhibition is the first large-scale attempt to show the British public the variety of equipment which their Army uses. Everything necessary to maintain a division is included.

The division in battle forms the largest section of the show. Exhibited are a Churchill and Valentine tank, a Bren gun carrier, an armored observation post and all types of arms, ammunition, bombs, mines and grenades.

From a service squadron of an air transport group attached to Eighth Air Force Service Command came checks for £100 12s. 7d., submitted by 1/Lt. B. G. Ramsey, adjutant, with which to sponsor a three-year-old blue-eyed blonde.

"The enlisted men of this organization selected a female of 19, but as it is impossible to select such an orphan we have submitted the three-year-old," said Lt. Ramsey.

Another blue-eyed blonde was picked by HQ and HQ Squadron of an Aid Depot in Northern Ireland which forwarded a check for £100 through 1/Lt. Clifford M. Uhlig. The request was for a "seven-year-old girl, blonde and blue eyes," and living in Northern Ireland so that her "foster uncles" may have the opportunity of entertaining her at their base in the near future.

Fines for blackout violations and voluntary contributions by enlisted men who patronize the PX "Oasis" enabled personnel of a General Hospital to raise \$37.53 and furnish their orphan, "Dennis D.," with extras and Boy Scout equipment. The money was turned over by 2/Lt. Carl Fortner, adjutant.

A partial contribution of £19 17s. 1d. was also received from 1/Lt. Charles Roden on behalf of HQ of an MP, Avn., Co.

Pfc Jacob Lipman, stationed with the Signal Co. of an Engineer Special Brigade, mailed \$10 to fund headquarters to aid "orphans whose fathers made the supreme sacrifice so that their children could enjoy freedom and decency."

From Maj. Dobbins, HQ ETOUSA, came his monthly check for £5 in keeping with a promise to make a monthly contribution for as long as he is serving in this theater.

Air Strategist Decorated

WASHINGTON, July 11—Brig. Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, of Milwaukee, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for his contribution to the formulation of strategic plans for the employment of the Army Air Forces in world-wide operations on a large scale, the War Department has announced. The presentation was made in the North African Theater of Operations.

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Monday, July 12

- 5:45—Program Resume.
- 5:50—Western Music—Gene Autry.
- 6:00—World News (BBC).
- 6:15—Personal Album—Tito Guizar and his Guitar.
- 6:30—Gerald and his Orchestra (BBC).
- 7:00—Sports—Presented by Your Stars and Stripes radio reporters.
- 7:05—Fitch Band Wagon—Toby Reid, Blue Barron and his Orchestra.
- 7:30—Your Broadway and Mine—Carol Bruce, H. Striner, Eddie Mayhoff, Alec Templeton.
- 8:00—News from Home—Nightly roundup of news from the U.S.A. presented by your Stars and Stripes Radio Reporters.
- 8:15—Fred Waring Program—Fred Waring and his Orchestra and chorus of 55 Pennsylvanians.
- 8:30—Front Line Theater—Robert Taylor, Barbara Stanwyck in "My Favorite Wife."
- 9:00—World News (BBC).
- 9:10—Musical Miniature.
- 9:30—Fibber McGee and Molly.
- 10:00—Final Edition—Latest world, sports and U.K. American troops news as presented by your Stars and Stripes radio reporters.
- 10:15—Benny Goodman and his Orchestra.
- 10:30—Sign Off until Tuesday, July 13, 5:45 PM.

Dodgers Rebel As Durocher Suspends Bobo

But Bums Smother Pirates, 23-6, After 8-7 Victory Friday

NEW YORK, July 11—A rebellion resulting from the suspension of Bobo Newsom in Friday's game between the Brooklyn Dodgers and the Pittsburgh Pirates carried over to yesterday with all but three Dodgers threatening to quit. A clubhouse meeting before the game smothered the trouble, with Arkie Vaughan the only one refusing to don uniform.

Although the game was held up for five minutes by the trouble, the Brooks came out to slaughter the Bucs, 23-6. The Flock smacked Johnny Podgajny, Hal Shuman and Johnny Gee for their runs as Curt Davis won his fifth victory and Podgajny was charged with his eighth loss.

A four-run Dodger rally in the last half of the tenth erased three runs scored by the Pirates in the upper half of the extra frame to give the Bums an 8-7 win on Friday. Bill Brandt was the losing hurler while Kirby Higbe was credited with the victory. The trouble which resulted in yesterday's temporary strike came when Bobo Newsom, whom Higbe relieved, squawked when Catcher Bobby Bragan dropped a third strike. Durocher suspended Newsom and the team went out on strike.

Two Shutouts For Cards

Mort Cooper wrote his 11th triumph of the year into the records Friday as the Redbirds blanked the Braves, 7-0. The Card ace let the Beantowners down with three hits, while his mates clubbed Red Barrett and Farrell, his successor, for 11.

Yesterday Howie Pollet followed suit, scoring his fifth shutout and eighth victory of the season as the Cards came through with a 6-0 win. Unless he twirls before Thursday Pollet will have pitched his final game for the duration, having enlisted as a pre-aviation cadet. Jim Tobin was the losing pitcher.

Mel Ott Gets 13th

The New York Giants nosed deeper into the National League cellar as they lost two games to the Cubs while salvaging one. On Friday, they were clawed by the Bruins, 5-3, then split a double-header yesterday, losing the first, 10-4, and taking the second, 9-2.

Friday's tilt was a 12-inning affair. Henry Wyse was the winning hurler over Ace Adams while Hank Lowry and Stan Hack helped the Cub attack with a pair of homers.

The first game of Saturday's twin-bill was a free-hitting affair with six homers, three on each side. Bill Nicholson getting his tenth for the Cubs and Mel Ott his 13th for the Giants.

The Giants rebounded in the second game with a 13-hit attack, winning the third season victory for Rube Fischer. Bill Lee was the starting and losing moundsman.

Two for Reds

The Philadelphia Phillies were further deflated over the weekend as the Cincinnati Reds took their measure, 11-4 Friday and 6-2 yesterday.

The Reds came from behind to win Friday. More than 8,000 fans watched the Quaker City boys take a four-run lead in the first three innings, then moaned when the Reds scored six runs in the sixth and added four more in the last three frames.

Cincinnati scored all its runs in the sixth inning of yesterday's scrimmage. Dick Conger, recently purchased from Toronto, was the victim of the rally, losing his first major league decision. Elmer Riddle scored his 11th victory for the Reds.

Although the New York Yankees had an off day Friday, that fact didn't stop them from trouncing the White Sox, 8-3, 9-2, in a twin bill at Comiskey Park. Ernie Bonham won number eight, allowing nine hits in the first game, while the Yanks pounded out 13 and scored seven runs in the seventh inning, chasing Bill Dietrich, who was tagged for his sixth loss.

Buck Ross, whose last effort against the Yankees was a one-hit shutout on May 14, was slapped for four runs in the second game before he was relieved in the fourth, losing his third contest. Charley Wensloff was the winner, allowing five hits in his sixth victory.

A's Help Yanks

The Philadelphia Athletics helped the Yankee cause yesterday by stopping the Detroit Tigers at Briggs Stadium, 6-1.

Friday, the Bengals shut out the Mackmen, 4-0, in a twilight game. Little Hal White held the A's to four hits. Dick Wakefield became the first major leaguer to reach the 100-hit mark this season with a single in the second.

Luman Harris was responsible for the A's victory yesterday, holding the Detroiters to three hits, while his team mates were battering three hurlers for nine blows. Virgil Trucks was the loser.

At Cleveland, the once threatening Washington Senators stumbled on Friday, then recovered with a 4-0 victory over the Tribe yesterday.

The Nats nosed out the Indians, 1-0,

14th U.S. Air Force Commander Now Batting!



Maj. Gen. Claire L. Chennault, commanding general of the Fourteenth U.S. Army Air Force in China, takes his turn at bat in a baseball game between members of his command. Gen. Chennault pitches for his side—and he can last nine innings, too.



American League

Friday's Games

Detroit 4, Philadelphia 0 (twilight game)
Washington 1, Cleveland 0 (night game, 13 innings)
St. Louis 5, Boston 4 (night game)
Other teams did not play.

Saturday's Games

New York 8, Chicago 3 (first game)
New York 9, Chicago 2 (second game)
Boston 6, St. Louis 3
Philadelphia 6, Detroit 1
Washington 4, Cleveland 0

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
New York	41	.577	Boston	35	.486
Detroit	37	.529	Cleveland	34	.479
Washington	39	.520	St. Louis	33	.471
Chicago	35	.507	Philadelphia	33	.444

Yesterday's Schedule

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

National League

Friday's Games

Brooklyn 8, Pittsburgh 7 (10 innings)
St. Louis 7, Boston 0
Chicago 5, New York 3 (12 innings)
Cincinnati 11, Philadelphia 4

Saturday's Games

Brooklyn 23, Pittsburgh 6
Chicago 10, New York 4 (first game)
New York 9, Chicago 2 (second game)
Cincinnati 6, Philadelphia 2
St. Louis 6, Boston 0

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
St. Louis	46	.657	Boston	32	.457
Brooklyn	46	.652	Philadelphia	33	.452
Pittsburgh	37	.521	Chicago	32	.432
Cincinnati	37	.500	New York	29	.397

Yesterday's Schedule

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

Leading Batters

American League

G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Curtright, Chicago	57	180	30	.339
Stephens, St. Louis	61	228	33	.338
Wakefield, Detroit	70	303	39	.330
Hockett, Cleveland	61	261	34	.318
Appinz, Chicago	67	256	21	.276

National League

G	AB	R	H	Pct.
Mustal, St. Louis	72	282	47	.333
Hack, Chicago	72	273	37	.326
Dahlgren, Philadelphia	73	276	25	.322
Herman, Brooklyn	78	290	39	.321
McCormick, Cincinnati	71	276	33	.315

Home Run Hitters

American League—Stephens, St. Louis, 11;
Keller, New York, and Laabs, St. Louis, 10.
National League—Ott, New York, 13; Nicholson, Chicago, 10; Litwiler, St. Louis, 9.

Runs Batted In

American League—Ertel, New York, 53;
Stephens, St. Louis, 50; Laabs, St. Louis, 47.
National League—Herman, Brooklyn, 58;
Nicholson, Chicago, 51; DiMaggio, Pittsburgh, 47.

in a pitcher's duel Friday night, with the winning run scored in the 13th when a squeeze play scored Bob Johnson. Jim Bagby went the route for the losers, allowing nine hits, while Rae Scarborough, who relieved Dutch Leonard in the 11th, was the winner.

Early Winn pitched four-hit ball yesterday while the Griffis scored twice in the third and twice in the ninth. Vern Kennedy lost his third game of the season.

Three unearned runs in the tenth inning gave the Boston Red Sox a 6-3 triumph over the St. Louis Browns at St. Louis yesterday. The Browns tied the score, 3-3, in the eighth inning and then went on to blow the game with an error and a balk and Bobby Doerr's theft of home.

Mace Brown, although relieved in the ninth, was credited with the win while Al Hollingsworth took the loss.

The Brownies squeezed out a 5-4 triumph over the Bosox Friday in a homer-studded night game, pushing across the winning marker in the last half of the ninth.

60 Grid Candidates at Columbia

NEW YORK, July 11—Some 60 Columbia grid candidates, the majority of them Navy trainees, reported for a month-long football drill at Baker Field this week.

Schoolboy Rowe Might've Been Another Ruth As an Outfielder

By Jack Cuddy
United Press Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA, July 11—Schoolboy Rowe hit a homer with the bases loaded for the Phils against the Braves a few weeks back, causing our heart to flutter like one of those butterfly balls Rowe used to throw.

Every time that tall tower from the Ozarks does anything spectacular at bat, our ticker starts acting up because for ten long years we've considered Lynwood Thomas Rowe a tragic figure—a mammoth misfit—who might have been another Ruth.

Babe Ruth started his major league career as a pitcher—a good one—but was lucky enough to be shifted to the outfield early in his career. Schoolboy Rowe did not want to be a pitcher, but lacked the luck which might have conveyed him from the mound to the land of his dreams—the outer garden.

Then a Rookie

Drifting back along Memory Lane, we vividly recall the first meeting with the tall flinger from El Dorado, Ark., ten years ago as he stood in the cavern beneath Grand Central Terminal waiting for his train to leave. Rowe was then a rookie with the Detroit Tigers, fresh from Beaumont, and the Tigers were heading home after finishing their spring exhibition season.

We looked up at the big, bronzed youngster with a shock of bronzed hair and blue eyes. Despite his size—204

pounds on a six-foot, four-inch frame—Rowe looked like an athlete, and was one. He could run like a deer, and throw strikes from the outfield. We congratulated him on "making the grade" with the Tigers at 21. We thought he would be quite happy about the whole thing, but he wasn't—he was downright glum.

Likes to Take His Cut

Rowe explained: "I'd rather be an outfielder, because then I'd be playing and batting every day. I love to step up to the plate and take a cut at the ball. I hit pretty good, and I've got what it takes to make a fielder. But everywhere I've been they insisted I pitch."

Rowe has pitched during the ten years since. Sometimes on the road to glory trail, assisting the Tigers to pennants in '34, '35 and '40. In '34 he won 16 consecutive games. But often the pitcher's mound became heart-break hill. He hurt his right shoulder the first season with Detroit. Recurrences of the injury made him a question mark every spring, and sent him back to Beaumont in part of the '38 season. Last June Rowe was waived out of the American League to Brooklyn, then shifted to Montreal. Now he is with the Phillies.

Bucky Harris was managing Detroit in 1933 when Rowe came up. Now their trails cross again, and Bucky is piloting the Phillies. When Rowe's homer went whistling the other day we wondered if Bucky's heart fluttered, and Bucky wondered, "Would he have been another Ruth?"

Lightnings Near Depot Booters Leading 'Cats Trip Police, 1-0

— FIGHTER STATION, July 11—The Fighter Squadron Lightnings started to move up on the Service Squadron Wildcats here this week in a strong drive for the pennant as the Major League softballers hit the stretch drive.

Running their winning streak to seven straight, the Lightnings annihilated the Fighter Squadron Warhawks, 16-1, leaving the winners just three-quarters of a game behind the Wildcats.

While the Lightnings were winning, the Fighter Squadron Mustangs were lowering the boom on the Fighter Control Corsairs, 12-1, pushing them into fourth place and a not too comfortable position in the second division. This left the Mustangs five percentage points behind the second-place Lightnings and also gave them some ideas about the championship crown.

At this writing, everyone is out to file the claws of the Wildcats. The Lightnings have a good chance as they have been a jinx to the cats all the season, nicking them for two games in 1-0 thrillers. But, as Sgt. Frank Schlezes, of Sioux City, Iowa, manager of the Lightnings, says, "It is still anyone's lead, and we are out to win it."

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
Wildcats	8	.800	Corsairs	7	.583
Lightnings	9	.692	Warhawks	3	.250
Mustangs	11	.687	Thunderbolts	2	.166

Handler New Card Grid Coach

CHICAGO, July 11—After 13 years as player and assistant coach of the Chicago Cardinals, of the National Professional Football League, Phil Handler has been appointed to succeed Jimmy Conzelman as mentor of the team. Conzelman resigned to join the St. Louis Browns' front office.

Temple to Play Army

WEST POINT, July 11—Army's football game with Maryland University, scheduled for Oct. 9, has been cancelled. Temple University has been substituted.

AIR DEPOT GROUP, July 11—

This station's soccer team surprised both its rooters and 2,000 English spectators in a match near here by defeating a local police eleven, 1-0.

Playing most of the 40-minute game with ten men—Pvt. Dell D'Allessandro, of Los Angeles, went out of the game in the first five minutes after getting on the receiving end of a healthy Bobbie boot—the GI's superior defensive work kept the police from scoring, while the winners garnered their goal on a penalty shot by M/Sgt. Glenn Cooper, of Sacramento, Cal.

Star of the game was Goalie Pvt. Kurt Berndt, of Milwaukee, Wis., who blocked numerous shots, both penalty and from the field, at the net. He was aided particularly by Cpl. Joe Klemensic, of Great Falls, Mon.

The winners had a double victory behind them, having earlier in the evening won a softball game from the police, 22-2.

Harder Back With Tribe

CLEVELAND, July 11—Pitcher Mel Harder, who was dropped from the Cleveland Indians' player roster two months ago when he broke his ankle, will be reinstated. Frank Doljack, 33-year-old outfielder, signed only last week by the Indians, was released to make room for Harder. Immediately after receiving notice Doljack signed with the Albany of the Eastern League.

Nova, Savold Go on Aug. 9

CHICAGO, July 11—The ten-round heavyweight fight between Lou Nova and Lee Savold has been re-scheduled for Wrigley Field here, Aug. 9. The fighters were to meet in June, but Savold developed a cold and could not go in training.

Vince DiMaggio Carries on With Family Name

Pirate Outfielder Makes First All-Star Start Tomorrow

By Arthur Daley
New York Times Sports Writer

NEW YORK, July 11—It had been a most attractive story, one which received widespread publicity. It had drama, human interest—and perhaps even a touch of pathos.

This was the tale of Vince DiMaggio, pleading with Ike Caveney, manager of the San Francisco Seals, to give his kid brother Joe a tryout with the team. This was the tale whereby said little brother took away big brother's job. It was a whale of a story.

The sad part of it all is that it does not coincide precisely with the truth. The Seals were running short of man-power toward the end of the 1932 season. Caveney was desperate for talent. "I've got a kid brother," Vince said, "who can play any position. How about taking a look at him?" "Bring him over," answered Caveney.

And that was how Joe got his start. But just about that time, Vince reached for a fly ball after a hard run, tripped and injured his right shoulder so severely that he couldn't throw half way from the pitcher's mound to home plate.

Next spring the arm was no better. Vince was given his release and Shortstop DiMaggio was given a whirl in the outfield. He did slightly better than all right, too. But it was Vince's injury rather than the sudden blossoming of Joe which was responsible for the exchange of DiMaggios on the Seal roster.

No one was interested in Vince until July, when the Hollywood team visited San Francisco. The owner, a gambler

at heart, spotted Vince in the stands and accosted him with—"Say, I've got a job for you even if you can't throw ten feet. My trainer, I'm sure, can fix your arm. How about it?"

Vince leaped at the chance. Every single which was hit in his direction was stretched into a double, because not even the most

leaden-footed enemy batter had to worry about the DiMaggio arm. They just automatically ran to second on every ball walloped to center.

Ready For Hop
But Vince hit a rousing .333 himself, to make it a profitable deal for the club. Still it took three seasons for the whiplash to come back into his arm—and his last campaign on the Coast found him with some 30 assists. He was ready for the big hop to the majors at last.

That has been one of the outstanding characteristics of the three DiMaggio brothers—a tremendously powerful throwing arm. The three of them have been superb fielders, and as far as hitting ability has been concerned, Joe has been great, Dominick good and Vince only fair. Now only Vince is left, with Joe a soldier at Santa Ana and Dom a sailor at Norfolk.

Tomorrow Vince will be a member of the All-Stars for the first time. The National League won't have a better defensive outfielder on its roster than the eldest of the three.

Having a Fine Season
Vince feels his responsibility to the family name too. Just the other day he wrote to Dom and told the ex-Red Sox flash, "You fellows left me holding the bag. Now it's up to me to do something about carrying on in the proper DiMaggio style."

The last of the DiMaggios is really having a fine season, and is well worthy of the All-Star nomination. On the advice of Al Lopez, he shortened his stance at the plate in spring practice, in order to punch the soggy balata ball, instead of using his old free-wheeling system. He was hitting more often early in the campaign than he is now because he has begun to aim for those fences again. When he really catches one he can give that ball as majestic a ride as Joe ever did.

Likable and affable, Vince has a far warmer personality than either of his brothers. Where a brief "Uh huh" was a full-flavored conversation for the reticent Joe, and where Dom was much too shy and retiring, Vince is expansive. If Vince had not been the first of the brothers to break into organized baseball, there might never have been a DiMaggio dynasty. He founded it.

Camden Handicap to Pompion
CAMDEN, N.J., July 11—The \$5,000 Camden Handicap was won by Pompion in the featured race of the Green State Park opening. The racing season here and off the track, the 6,000 turf fans tallyhos.

Doctors Order Wyatt to Rest
BROOKLYN, July 11—Whitlow Wyatt, ace Brooklyn Dodger pitcher, has been ordered by doctors to take a complete rest and refrain from any throwing for two weeks. He has a shoulder ailment diagnosed as bursitis.



Ernie Bonham

Hollywood Pro Hitting 'Em in Ulster

Joe Maruszewski Taught Stars How

By Charles W. White

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer
BELFAST, N.I., July 11—Pvt. Joe Maruszewski, of Dearborn, Mich., swarthy, genial, medium built—may be walking a tedious sentry beat this morning somewhere in Northern Ireland. He could have dozed off a couple of minutes last night in the box. If he did, he probably dreamed some pretty nice things about "way back home."

Like the green, windswept fairways of the Hollywood Country Club, Hollywood, Cal., where, before he got patriotic and joined the army in June, 1942, he was one of America's ranking pros. Perhaps a little white ball, silvery with dew, skips onto a green and hops and then rolls and runs straight for the pin as if suddenly drawn by a magnet, and disappears—Oh, Man!—for a birdie three.

Personally, we'd make the dream about Ruby Keeler, who took lessons from Joe in 1939 and '40 and to whom he fondly refers as "the best of the lot—she's shooting in the 80's now."

"The lot" include such names as Paulette Goddard, Andy Devine, Bing Crosby, Bob Hope—dozens of others, even including the great John Montague, with whom Joe (his professional name is Joe Kownick) played in 1939.

"Beat him one stroke. I had par and he went one over 72."

"Paulette Goddard?"

"Well, she hasn't been playing very long. Getting so she plays every day, now. Shooting in the 99's."

"Andy Devine?" "There was the trace of an indulgent smile. "He goes out for the exercise."

But when it comes to Bing Crosby, the Northeastern Open and Middle Atlantic 1939 champ and '38-'39-'40 Tri-State winner gets that proud parent look in his eyes.

"Bing Crosby is tops as a guy and tops as a golfer. Tops in the 70's. As a fellow



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo
Joe Maruszewski

to talk to, you can tell him anything, you've got on your mind. He's a sell out. Him and Bob Hope—you can't beat those fellows. I never taught Hope. I've played with him, though. He's down in the 70's now, too."

Hope, apparently, gave the pro some difficult going, for which he has an acceptable alibi.

"That Hope can talk you out of a shot, anyway. That's one thing about him. He acts on the golf course just like he does in the movies and hell, a guy hasn't got a chance. You're laughing all the time!"

Pvt. Maruszewski, who thinks it's sort of funny—one of those tricks of the war—to be pulling guards and peeling spuds, hasn't given up the game by any means.

"He was on leave recently and spent it in just the place you'd expect to find him: the guest of Dave Dixon, son of the manager of the Lisburn Golf Club. Lots of golf."

Joe played 36 holes at Port Rush County Club on June 14 with Lem

Says Bob Hope Jokes Way Through Matches

McGarber, pro there, and won, 75-76 to 76-77.

Golf has been a life passion with Joe, and has taken him along an interesting road. In November, 1929, for instance, he got to go with Johnny Bullock, Tex Ormsby and Johnny Revolta to Mexico and Argentina on the Good Will Tour.

"I placed third, with 71 on 18 holes," he said. "Not so good, but the trip was worth it. Argentina—that's a swell place. We played at Buenos Aires. Everybody's got lots of money—or else they're dirt poor. Fine climate."

He has, of course, hit most of the famous golf courses in the U.S. St. Andrews, Scots mecca for all worshippers of mashe approaches and the putt that leads to Hole No. 19, proved a wee disappointment for our boy.

"Tough. Tough. Too windy. The best I did was a 76. Had a hell of a time getting that. Fast greens." He changes the subject.

Right now Joe's big interest is in doing something about getting golf under way for soldiery stationed in Northern Ireland. Eight Air Force Composite Command, he says, already has a good team of six men.

British Troops, N.I., is another star team, along with RAF. Lockheed, with such stars as Roy Von Elm, brother of George (Roy got a 67 first time out) will be a tough contender. The only trouble at present is shortage of balls, and Joe would be grateful for any tips on how to get them—but maybe we're snitching on the Help Wanted Department.

A good soldier, Joe does his daily do uncomplainingly and is willing to go anywhere.

"What would you think of going to North Africa with some colonel or general as his striker, maybe, just to help him keep his game in shape?"

Joe smiles that slow, sun-tanned smile.

"Oh, don't think I'd mind. Don't think I'd mind at all."

Diving Changes Made For ETO Tourney

The Stars and Stripes Athletic Committee has announced the following changes in the diving requirements for the ETO championships to be held in London on Aug. 8.

Instead of the five compulsory and five optional dives—the five compulsory being the AAU dives—only four compulsory and four optional will be required. The four compulsory will be the interscholastic dives—the plain front, plain back, front jack and back jack.

Bombers Take Swim Contest

Hewitt Stars for Winners In Triangular Meet

BOMBER COMMAND HQ, July 11—Bomber Command carried off top honors with a score of 36, against 21 for Headquarters and nine for Photo Intelligence Section in the triangular swimming meet held here yesterday. The baseball game between the Bomber Command nine and the Travelling Circus outfit was postponed.

Highlight of the afternoon came when Capt. Marshall Wayne, of Miami, Fla., former Olympic and Aquacade swimmer, swam the 66 and two-thirds-yard free style in 43 seconds, to give the Photo Intelligence Section their only first place.

Outstanding swimmer of the meet was Dr. Edwin Hewitt, of Chicago, a civilian technical consultant, who was the only contestant to take two firsts. He captured the 200-yard free style with a time of two minutes, 27 seconds, and the 100-yard free style in one minute six and six-tenths seconds.

Results of the meet were:

200-YARD FREE STYLE: First—Dr. Hewitt; Sgt. Carl Pearson, Ft. Collins, Col.; S/Sgt. Howard Wesel, St. Paul, Minn. Time, 2:27.

66 AND TWO-THIRDS YARD FREE STYLE: First—Capt. Wayne; Pfc. Arnold Wagner, Cuyahoga, Ohio; Pfc. Tom Gibson, Jackson, Miss. Time, 43 seconds.

100-YARD FREE STYLE: First—Dr. Hewitt; Pfc. Tom Gibson, Jackson, Miss.; Sgt. Carl Pearson, Ft. Collins, Col. Time, 1:6.6.

66 AND TWO-THIRDS YARD BACK STROKE: First—S/Sgt. James Schneider, Chicago; Cpl. Paul Bange, Sheriat, Ohio; George Shertle, New York. Time, 53.5.

66 AND TWO-THIRDS YARD BREAST STROKE: First—Pvt. R. W. Lesieur, Chicago; Mass.; Lt. Charles Malone, St. Louis; Pfc. Harold Esten, Washington. Time, 49 seconds.

100-YARD MEDLEY: First—Bomber Command (Shertle, Lesieur and Pfc. Anthony Genovese, New York); Headquarters' Photo Intelligence. Time, 51 seconds.

133 AND ONE-THIRD FREE STYLE RELAY: First—Headquarters (Cpl. Colton, Melrose, Mass.; S/Sgt. Leroy Hellmann, Louisville, Ky.; S/Sgt. Schneider and Sgt. Pearson); Bomber; Photo Intelligence.

Iceland Champs To Tangle With ETO Winners

Gen. Key Says Softballers Will Come Here To Play

Special to The Stars and Stripes
ICELAND, July 11—ETO's "country cousins" from Iceland will send their athletic champions to England and North Ireland to compete against AEF champions there, Maj. Gen. William S. Key, former ETO Provost Marshal and new commander of Iceland's lonesome, wind-blown garrison, revealed this week.

Gen. Key, intensely interested in athletics as a means of conditioning soldiers, stated that tentative plans already have cleared through higher headquarters and the winner of Iceland's current softball tourney—or an All-Star squad—will make the inaugural visit. The program later will incorporate basketball, boxing and perhaps even football, the general added.

"Iceland's garrison is a definite part of ETO and certainly deserves representation in European Theater playoffs," Gen. Key asserted. "If we can induce commanders of troops in England and North Ireland to sanction the plan, I'd like to see a championship home-and-home series in every sport."

ETO "City Slickers"

The general expressed himself as keenly in favor of widespread mass competitive athletics, with particular emphasis on bodily contact. "I've heard a lot of talk about how rugged living conditions in Iceland are. My feeling is that if the men are given ample facilities for recreation, they don't mind how rugged it gets. Athletics, I'm sure, is the answer," Gen. Key stated.

As a parting challenge to his many friends in England, Gen. Key smilingly declared, "The big-time 'city slickers' of ETO may find the forgotten step-children in Iceland have a few tricks up their sleeves when our teams go into action. They won't find any pushovers among our men."

The prospect of a trip to England provided added incentive for more than 100 softball teams currently absorbed in a torrid 11-tracket scramble for the IBC crown. Military chores have A-1 priority, of course, so teams on duty at irregular hours take advantage of Iceland's eccentric midnight sun to play their games.

And if you've never seen a clearly visible softball field at 23.30 hours, it's well worth a look-see. The Yankee Stadium was never like this.

ARC Qualifies More Swimmers

EIGHTH AIR FORCE HQ., July 11—The second American Red Cross water safety course was completed Saturday when 13 men from various units of the Eighth Air Force received water safety instructor certificates, while three were awarded senior life saver certificates.

The following men, under the instruction of James Carnahan, ARC National Field Representative, were awarded the instructor certificates: Cpl. Paul Bange, Cheviot, Ohio; Sgt. William Castner, Napa, Cal.; Cpl. Paul Colton, Melrose, Mass.; Sgt. Lawrence Daniels, Dedham, Mass.; Pfc. Harold Esten, Washington; S/Sgt. Leroy Hellmann, Louisville, Ky.; S/Sgt. Harold Meister, Jacksonville, Fla.; Pfc. Melvin Paquette, Detroit; Sgt. Carl Reiman, Camden, N.J.; S/Sgt. James Schneider, Chicago; Pfc. Leland Sears, Webster City, Iowa; Pfc. Harry Teryniak, Detroit; and S/Sgt. Howard Wessel, St. Paul, Minn.

Receiving the senior life saver awards were: Pfc. Harold Bailey, Guthrie Center, Iowa; Pfc. Aaron Feldman, New York; and Pfc. Earl Wiebusch, Cleveland, Ohio. The awards were presented the swimmers by Lt. Col. C. H. Welch, assistant chief of staff, Eighth Air Force. Carnahan was assisted in the instructions by Sgt. Carl Pearson, of Ft. Collins, Col., who recently completed the course in London.

Navy Nine, Mustangs Enter Ulster Baseball League

BELFAST, N.I., July 11—Two new teams appeared in Northern Ireland league play as the second round began yesterday. They are the Mustangs, crack Air Force nine which defeated Composite Command's Dodgers July 4, and USNOB, formerly known as the "Creevagh's."

The Navy's difficulty heretofore was making the connection from Londonderry to Belfast for scheduled games. By new arrangement with the American Red Cross, Navy travels to Belfast one week and the following week an Army team will go to Derry.

Amertex, Lockheed Overseas nine, is not in the League but will play in a number of exhibition games.

Gunder Haegg Finishes 125 yds. Ahead of Dodds

LOS ANGELES, July 11—Gunder Haegg made it two straight over Gil Dodds and his third in a row in his American tour as he breezed to a 125-yard victory over the Boston divinity student yesterday.

Haegg went the two mile distance in eight minutes 53 and nine-tenths seconds.

Minor League Results

International League

Friday's Games
Newark 2, Baltimore 1
Toronto 2, Buffalo 1 (first game)
Toronto 5, Buffalo 3 (second game)
Syracuse 1, Jersey City 0
Montreal 6, Rochester 3

Saturday's Games
Buffalo 8, Toronto 1
Rochester 5, Montreal 1
Newark 4, Baltimore 1
Jersey City 3, Syracuse 1

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
Toronto	52	.36	590	Rochester	39	.40	.493
Newark	38	.37	507	Baltimore	36	.38	.487
Montreal	37	.38	493	Buffalo	38	.41	.481
Syracuse	37	.38	493	Jersey City	31	.50	.383

Eastern League

Friday's Games
Wilkes-Barre 7, Springfield 1
Scranton 5, Hartford 3
Elmira 5, Albany 4
Binghamton 2, Utica 1 (first game)
Binghamton 6, Utica 0 (second game)

Saturday's Games
Utica 15, Binghamton 9
Albany 5, Elmira 4
Scranton 5, Hartford 4
Other teams did not play.

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
Scranton	48	.15	562	Binghamton	35	.37	.530
Wilkes-Barre	39	.24	619	Hartford	30	.35	.469
Albany	35	.20	547	Springfield	23	.40	.365
Elmira	35	.30	539	Utica	13	.54	.194

American Association

Friday's Games
Toledo 3, Kansas City 2
Columbus 2, Milwaukee 0 (first game)
Milwaukee 1, Columbus 0 (second game)
Kansas City 5, Toledo 4
Other teams did not play.

Saturday's Games
Louisville 1, St. Paul 0
Indianapolis 3, Minneapolis 1
No other games played.

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
Milwaukee	40	.26	606	Minneapolis	33	.37	.471
Indianapolis	40	.26	606	St. Paul	33	.37	.471
Columbus	35	.32	522	Louisville	32	.38	.457
Toledo	34	.36	486	Kansas City	25	.40	.385

Southern Association

Friday's Games
Nashville 3, All-Stars 2
Saturday's Games
No games scheduled.

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
Nashville	52	.29	642	Chattanooga	36	.36	.465
Little Rock	40	.36	526	Birmingham	40	.42	.488
Atlanta	39	.36	520	Knoxville	32	.40	.444
N. Orleans	40	.39	506	Memphis	25	.47	.347

Pacific Coast League

Friday's Games
Hollywood 7, San Francisco 1
Los Angeles 5, Oakland 3
No other games played.

Saturday's Games
Seattle 3, San Diego 0
Los Angeles 13, Oakland 6
San Francisco 1, Hollywood 0
Portland 8, Sacramento 4 (first game)
Portland 11, Sacramento 4 (second game)

W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.		
Los Angeles	62	.23	729	Hollywood	40	.46	.564
San Francisco	49	.35	583	Seattle	39	.49	.424
Portland	43	.41	512	Oakland	36	.49	.424
San Diego	42	.44	488	Sacramento	28	.56	.333

Help Wanted AND GIVEN

Write your question or problem to Help Wanted, Stars and Stripes, Printing House Sq., London, E.C.4.

Dogs, Pets
AMERICAN soldier dog owners, interested in exhibiting their pets in a show at Oakhill Park, East Barnet, on Aug. 14, should send their entries to Miss W. N. Mitchell, "Citra," Tudor Road, New Barnet. If sufficient entries are received, special classes may be opened for American owners only.

Wanted
CAMERA, folding (620 film). Give price and brief description. But GO EASY! I'm not a crap-shooting champ. H. L. Dillon (U.S.N.J.).
VETERANS of Foreign Wars—Those interested in joining the VFW here should contact Lt. John J. Mullan, — MP Co., APO 514.

Big League Bat Maker Knows What Players Want in Willows

By Tommy Devine

United Press Sports Writer
LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 11—Five-figure pay checks and base hits are the two worthwhile things in life, according to major league baseball players. Henry Morrow, a behind-the-scenes figure, cannot contribute directly toward the players reaching their first objective, but he's a key man when it comes to the hitting problem.

Associated for 42 years with a company here which manufactures virtually all bats the players use in big leagues and top minor circuits, Morrow knows ballplayers, talks their language and daily listens to their problems. As such, he helps to plan the types of bats, which will make them "hit happy."

Vagabonds Rap Pirates, 10-6

FIGHTER STATION, July 11—The — Service Squadron Vagabonds beat the — Air Defense Wing Pirates, 10-6, here yesterday afternoon in a regular station league baseball contest.

Pvt. Harold Dowdy, of Corpus Christi, Tex, as Vagabond left fielder, hit a home-run with the bases loaded early in the game to send the winners out in front.

In the seventh inning, Pvt. Carl Barea, of Portsmouth, Ohio, a pinch hitter, brought in two Pirate runs with a triple, but despite this rally, the Pirates couldn't catch the fast-breaking Vagabonds.

Batteries: Vagabonds—T/Sgt. Richard Snyder, McKeesport, Pa., and Pfc. William Pranal, Genesee Depot, Wis.; Pirates—Cpl. James Jack, Ordmore, Okl., and Pvt. Phillip Reichert, Morristown, N.J.

17 Gridsters on All-Star Squad for Redskin Game

CHICAGO, July 11—With the coaching staff completed with the appointment of Frank Leahy, of Notre Dame, the 1943 college All-Stars have 17 players in tow and many more expected for their forthcoming clash with the Washington Redskins, champions of the National Professional Football League, on Aug. 25.

The present squad has: Linemen—Don Currican, Boston College; Pat Lyons, Wisconsin; Al Wistert, Michigan; Del Dickerhoof, Iowa; Gerrard Ramsey, William and Mary; Leslie Kalchick and Wilfred Kramer, Marquette; Bill Mitchell, Minnesota, and Eldon Werkheiser, Duquesne. Backs—Camille Piccone, Notre Dame; Bob Steuber, Missouri; Roy McKay, Texas; Joe Wrinkler and Walter Cook, Purdue; Charles Trippi, Georgia; Steve Lach and Otto Graham, Northwestern.

Edgar Smith Suspended

CHICAGO, July 11—Edgar Smith, Chicago White Sox southpaw hurler, has been suspended by Manager Jimmy Dykes for not being in condition to pitch.

Blondie

(By courtesy of King Features Syndicate and the London Daily Sketch)



Blues Blanked By Agitators

BELFAST, July 11—The Blues, undefeated league leaders in Northern Ireland Army play, lost their first ball game here at Ravenhill to the Agitators, 2-0, and went into a tie with the Pelicans for first place.

Sgt. Carl D. Smith, of Alexandria, La.; Agitators' left-hander, tied "Deacon" Behnen's 18 strikeout record in nine innings. Behnen fanned six in yesterday's fracas, which played off a 3-3 tie of June 28.

The E. St. Louis strikeout king had a rugged fourth inning, allowing three hits for the first Agitator run, scored by Pfc. Luther Sellers, of Jacksonville, Fla. Behnen hit Shaffer, substitute for Lt. George Acker, with a pitched ball in the fifth. Shaffer got home on two first base putouts.

As a result of the shuffle in league standings, the Agitators now are tied with the Eighth Air Force Composite Command's Dodgers for second place.

Biff Jones Says Army-Navy Game Will Be Held at Point

WEST POINT, July 11—Col. Lawrence (Biff) Jones, Army graduate manager of athletics, intimated that West Point will be the site of the annual Army-Navy football classic this fall. A definite announcement will be forthcoming within the next three weeks.

He said it was reasonable to assume that West Point would get the service tilt, since the 1942 contest was played at Annapolis after being shifted from Philadelphia.

Nashville Wins All-Star Contest

NASHVILLE, July 11—Nashville won the annual Southern Association All-Star contest Friday night, 3-2, behind the effective hurling of Glenn Gardner, right-hander, who scattered nine hits.

by Chic Young



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Hash Marks

Fun on the home front: The battle of the starlings vs the city police and fire departments is attracting large crowds to downtown Decatur, Ill. Firemen and 14 policemen gathered at dusk the other day with shotguns and fire hose. First they shot into the air; then they shot at the birds. Then they turned the hose on them. The crowd cheered. P.S.—The starlings are still roosting there.

Jack Benny has a new rival for the "Meanest Man in the World" honors. A



Los Angeles grocer was fined \$100 for cheating kids when they stopped to buy penny candy.

You can cry in your beer for Rhea M. Fife. Rhea grew weary of the rationing problems of civilian life and joined the WAACs. After basic training, Aux. Fife was assigned to Camp Blanding—her job, figuring out ration points for military personnel.

The good ole summer time! During a recent cold snap lady life guards at Tacoma swimming pools sat on their towers wearing ski suits, mittens and wool scarfs.

Most surprised man in the Navy last week was Ensign Calvin Miller. Stationed on a tiny isle somewhere in the Pacific, he received by mail a ticket for over-time parking in San Francisco.

Snoods for tanks is the latest note in battle fashions. Chicago's lace curtain industry is busy turning out yards of netting to supply the Army's battle wagons with "snoods" for camouflage.

Remember that little Pocket Guide to Great Britain you got when you landed over here? Well, we were just wondering if the Army, thoughtful as ever, is preparing a Pocket Guide to the United States. We think we'll need one if we stay over here much longer.

Fun on the home front: An Ohio photographer wound up in court for re-

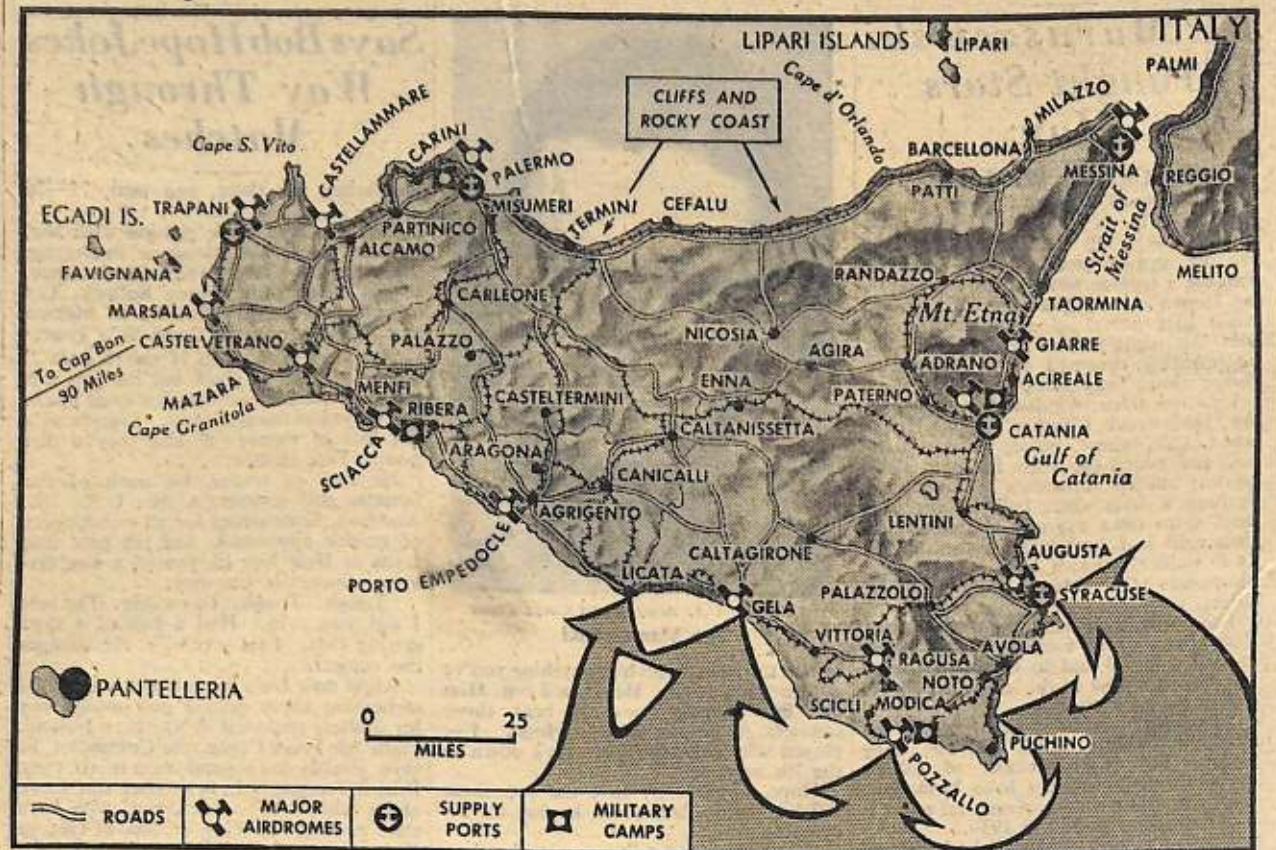


fusing to take a lady's picture. "How come?" she asked him. "Madam," he replied, "my artistic temperament will not permit me to photograph such a face." (The lady took the matter to court but her husband took a good look at her and refused to press the case.)

We just heard of a guy who works in a headquarters outfit who's been trying without success to learn shorthand. Now every time he passes a stenographer he bows respectfully and comes to attention.

J. C. W.

Sicily, Traditional Isle of Invasion



Here is the battle scene on Sicily. Arrows show points probably landed on by the Allied invaders. Berlin radio yesterday claimed other landings had been attempted on the western tip of the island.

Armies Have Fought For It Since Time Of Phoenicians

An invasion of Sicily is not new. Armies have fought for possession of the huge island off the toe of Italy's boot since the beginning of history—from the ancient Greeks and Romans to Garibaldi who landed in 1860 under the protection of British warships to unite Sicily with Italy.

While American forces in Britain today await their turn to take up positions in the European battle zone, they are wondering what Allied forces now fighting for possession of the Sicilian bridgehead face.

Only a few of their questions, however, could be answered from the first official reports trickling in from Allied headquarters.

Here are the answers to some of the other questions:

Another Base

(1) The occupation of Sicily, when it is completed, will give the Allies another powerful base from which to continue their offensive against enemy-occupied territory in Europe. It will leave them in Messina, northeastern tip of Sicily, separated by only two miles of water in the Messina Straits from Reggio in Italy.

(2) It will reduce one of the Axis' most valuable sources of food and vital war supplies. Badly needed in war production, sulphur is the main product of Palermo, Milazzo, Messina, Licata and Girgenti—five of the largest Sicilian cities. Ragusa's oil wells will also be scratched from the Axis supply lines. Chemicals, machinery, wines, fruit, olive oil and copper are some of the other exports heretofore contributed to the Axis.

(3) The terrain will not be too unfami-

liar to some of the invaders. Their combat in North Africa taught lessons in mountainous warfare which they can expect from guerrillas operating in the Sicilian hills. First reports from the battle area claim the country inland to be studded with good defensive positions but eventually these problems were met satisfactorily in Tunisia.

(4) Most of the rivers in Sicily are completely dry in summer, leaving beds similar to the wadis of North Africa, and the heat, which becomes almost intolerable later in the summer, should favor the enemy. Water in southern Italy is likely to be a problem because of the dry beds in that sector, but in the eastern part, around Catania, a plentiful supply should be available. The snows on Mt. Etna keep the streams in that vicinity well fed and fresh water springs offer a plentiful supply near Syracuse.

The geography of Sicily makes it the most important island in the Mediterranean, separated from Italy by the two-mile-wide Messina Straits and from Tunisia by less than 80 miles of comparatively shallow water.

It is roughly triangular in shape with a circumference of 624 miles and a superficial area of 11,289 square miles—about the size of the states of New Hampshire and Rhode Island combined, or half the size of West Virginia.

Mountain Country

The surface of the country is irregular and for the most part mountainous. Sicily has an abundance of roads and railways to form good lines of communications but intruder planes from Malta, only 60 miles from the Sicilian mainland, have reduced the rolling stock of the railways considerably with their almost constant attacks.

The Axis airfields likewise have suffered from Allied bombings. Most of the enemy bases are clustered together on the western and southwestern corners of the island, with a few grouped around Messina in the northeastern area. But their use to the Axis should be partially neutralized by the Allied air umbrella from Tunisia, Malta and Pantellaria. Even before Saturday's opening round of the invasion, they were heavily bombed as part of the campaign to liquidate Axis traffic across the Mediterranean during the African fighting.

Heavy raids have also been made on most of Sicily's harbors, particularly at Trapani in the west. Flying Fortresses and Liberators of the U.S. Army's Ninth and Twelfth Air Forces, operating from Tunisia and the Middle East, played important parts in devastating the ports of Palermo and the ferry terminus at Messina.

The three main harbors—Palermo, Messina and Catania—are linked by railways and can hold relatively big ships, but the damage done by Allied bombings will work against them now just as it did against the Axis.

Natural Battlefield

Sicily's position has made it a natural battlefield from the time of the ancient Greeks until the present day. It was long considered an ideal springboard for bigger things. Like the Phoenicians, Saracens, Byzantines, Normans and Spaniards, the Allied forces of today will have to hurdle the same natural obstacles in warfare. The deep channels and ravines in from the coast are not difficult barriers, but farther inland, where the mountainous country is the defensive strength of Sicily, the job will be difficult.

A possibility in favor of the Allies is that many of the Sicilians will not offer resistance. Of the 4,000,000 population, many are not staunch Fascists. They have long been turbulent, lawless people with a taste for blood and a weakness for fight. Mussolini claimed to have wiped out the blood feuds and brigandage, but this is unlikely.

As a race, Sicilians are a mixture of Roman, Greek, Goth, Norman and Spanish. Most of them are poor, illiterate and undernourished. But war is not strange to those of them who know their history. Their descendants took part in the First Punic War between the Romans and Carthaginians. After centuries of Roman rule the island was conquered by the Goths and Vandals, the Byzantines, Saracens, Normans and Spaniards.

Later the kingdom of the Two Sicilies included Naples and a fair slice of the Italian mainland as well. The kingdom lasted until Garibaldi united it with Italy over 80 years ago by landing at Marsala in the west and overcoming resistance along the northern coast to Messina.

Shades of Gallipoli

"There will be heavy fighting in the Mediterranean and elsewhere before the leaves of Autumn fall."

Allied invasion of Sicily has fulfilled in part the Winston Churchill prophecy, and as the Battle of Western Europe develops, the "elsewhere," still undisclosed, will become apparent to friend and foe alike.

Early successes in Sicily have been achieved at light cost; but as this campaign develops casualties are likely to prove heavy. Sicily is defended by some three to four hundred thousand Axis troops, equipped with the best weapons Germany and Italy can provide. The Italians are also defending their homeland, which should stiffen their resistance.

It must be remembered, too, that the invasion of Sicily is the largest amphibious operation of modern times and that amphibious operations have failed on numerous occasions.

The present campaign can be compared only with the Dardanelles operation of the last war, which was brought about by a desire on the part of the Allies to open up communications with Russia via the Mediterranean and the Black Sea. To secure the Dardanelles, which linked the two, the Allies threw a force of five divisions onto the beaches of Cape Helles, Kum Kale and Anzac in a surprise landing attempt. Though bridgeheads were secured at high cost and reinforcements were rushed in to assist in many attempts to drive forward, the expedition was eventually withdrawn and the attempt to secure the Dardanelles failed.

In Sicily new factors enter into the effort to achieve victory. Most important of these is air supremacy. As our troops move forward in Sicily they will be supported and covered by an air force with air supremacy. This new test for the plane will prove for all time whether air power means the success or failure of future amphibious operations. . . the difference between Gallipoli's failure and Tunisian success.

Praise and Blame

A 15,000-word aircraft report issued by the Truman Committee of the U.S. Senate declared that improved types of planes were now flowing to the fighting fronts, but criticized certain U.S. aircraft and one of the companies producing them. Claims the committee:

"During the calendar year 1942 approximately 48,000 airplanes were produced in the United States. During the 12 months ended June 30, 1943, we have produced 64,000 planes. The present enormous rate of production will be vastly increased. Moreover, there will be a greater proportion of the best and most useful planes."

"It is only natural," continues the committee's report, "that in so vast a program there have been mistakes. Perfection must not be expected in war, where it is better to adopt wasteful methods than to risk having too little."

The report then proceeds to discuss the value of plane models, and to praise or criticize the factories producing them. In the four-motored field, both the Fortress and Liberator were singled out for high praise. In the two-engine bomber field the B-25 was praised while the B-26 was criticized and declared unsafe for any pilot save one specially trained to fly it.

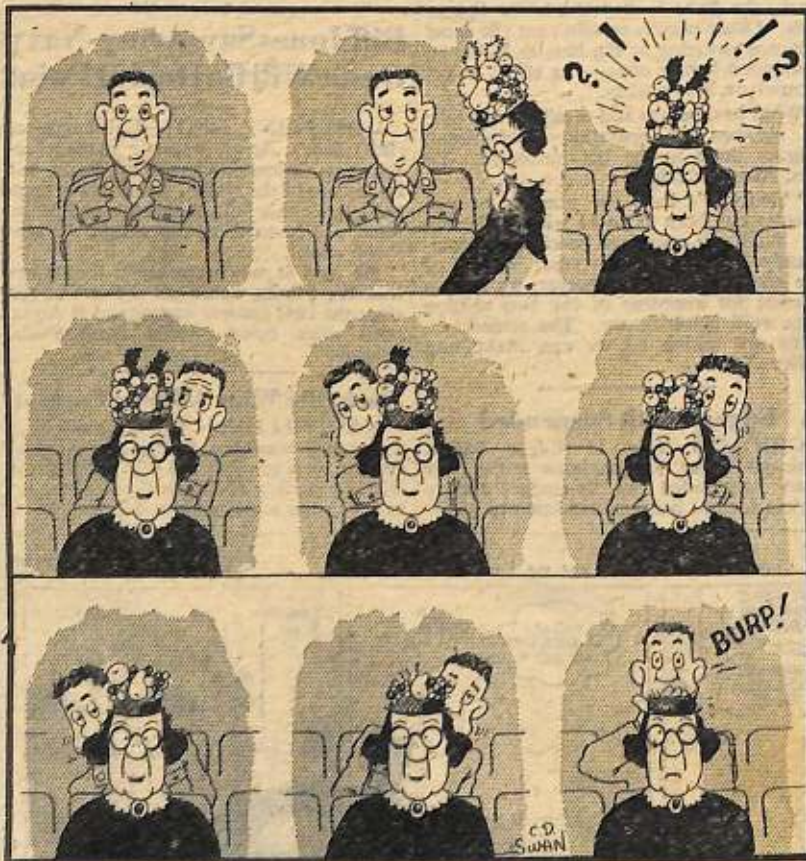
The report also disclosed that the Army has concluded it will have little need for additional dive-bombers for the reason that dive-bombers cannot be operated unless there is a clear air superiority and then only when the ground forces are not adequately supplied with anti-aircraft equipment. Only dive-bomber to receive unqualified praise was the Navy's Douglas SBD.

The much discussed Lockheed P-38, now improved over original models, was given a clean bill of health for its spectacular success on various fighting fronts, has proved it to be a very fine plane. The North American P-51 and the Republic's P-47 were both given good ratings; but it was recommended that the Curtiss Warhawk's production should be decreased as Mustang production was increased.

The only sensational charge in the report was levelled against the Wright Aeronautical Corporation at Lockland, Ohio, where it was claimed defective planes and motors were produced.

Without attempting to judge this particular case, it is significant that after a thorough investigation of an entire industry, hurriedly organized to meet an unprecedented emergency, only one plant was singled out for legal action. And while we must all feel shame that any part of America should fail properly to support the armed forces, we can be proud that so many have done their best to give us the finest and mightiest air arm the world has ever known.

PRIVATE O'SHAUGHNESSY



ARMY POETS

The War Effort Effort for this war? In freedom's hour And very life's? Vain word of compromise To dull our nation's will to win, our power, While civilization falters . . . lives or dies. Effort for this war? Best terms are tame, But this breathes doubt, and men who falter fail. When action must follow thought like ball and flame, And strength and truth inevitably must prevail. Effort for this war? The martial call To warriors on land, in sky, on sea, Fortifying them to give lives . . . all, For love of the nation's reverent memory? Effort for this war? At home, even those Must serve with fullest heart and readiest hand,

While light at Armageddon overthrows Darkness, so that peace may smile in every land. Capt. James Patrick McGovern. War Bonding Are you nervous in the service? Sad, war weary, also blue This damned war won't last forever But what then you plan to do. Sure you're going back to baby, Steak, ice cream and swell cold beer; But what you gonna buy 'em with? Better plan for it right here. Buy fresh eggs now for tomorrow With the nest-egg saved today. Make a class B bond allotment With a part of your monthly pay. Hell you'll never miss the payment And you're helping Uncle Sam. So start now to build your future, One without the sprouts and spam. Lieut. Don Hart.

NEWS FROM HOME 18 Billion Dollar Rehabilitation Program Passed

Injured War Workers, 4-Fs Will Be Benefited by Expansion Bill

WASHINGTON, July 11—An 18 billion dollar program to expand the present rehabilitation system to include physical as well as vocational rehabilitation for workers injured in war industry has been approved by President Roosevelt. Men with 4-F draft classifications will also be benefited by the act.

Sen. Robert M. La Follette, of Wisconsin, said the effect of the program would be to aid some 150,000 persons annually through provisions for hospitalization, surgery and medical aid. Under previous laws, 50,000 persons received such care.

The Federal Government will bear all administrative expenses. Both State and Federal Governments will share equally the cost of medical care and education.

Under the act, 100 per cent Federal aid will be extended to all disabled persons employed by the Civil Air Patrol, the Aircraft Warning Service, the Office of Civilian Defense and the Maritime Commission.

Beef Situation Improves

CHICAGO, July 11—Harry Reed, chairman of the War Meat Board, announced yesterday that the Army and Navy received sufficient beef last week for the first time this year. Remarking that the beef situation has improved, especially in the last few days, Reed said

Above Average Wheat, Corn Crops Predicted

WASHINGTON, July 11 (AP)—The Agricultural Department reported yesterday that a corn crop of 2,706,552,000 bushels and a wheat crop of 790,832,000 bushels are indicated from July 1 conditions. It is the first corn production forecast of the season.

Last year's corn production totalled 3,175,154,000 bushels. The average production in the ten years from 1932 to 1941 was 2,349,267,000 bushels.

that the board was going to submit a plan to government agencies recommending measures which would facilitate the movement of cattle from ranges into markets.

Income Tax Reports Increase

WASHINGTON, July 11—The Treasury reported yesterday that 25,871,249 persons filed income tax returns for the calendar year 1941. This represents a gain of 11,160,558 over the previous year.

Jean Parker Gets Divorce

LOS ANGELES, July 11—Because he criticized her work and friends, Jean Parker, film actress, has obtained a divorce from H. Dawson Sanders, radio commentator. It is Miss Parker's second divorce.

Piano Prices Soar

WASHINGTON, July 11 (UP)—The War Production Board's ban on the manufacture of pianos has sent the price of second-hand models from 200 to 300 per cent above pre-war figures, according to figures collated here. At Detroit pianos were selling for \$32 before the war. Now they are worth \$120.

3 Dead, 3 Lost In Ohio Floods

Inundation Shuts Down War Plants; 27,000 Workers Idle

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 11—Three persons are dead and three are missing in the wake of floods which swept the northern and eastern sections of Ohio.

Damage in the Steubenville area would exceed \$100,000, Fire Chief Edward Green estimated. The city's main water line from the Ohio river supply source was washed out. Ohio River Coast Guard boats used to evacuate 300 families were hauled to the scene.

An estimated 27,000 war workers were idle as high waters caused shutdowns at the plants of the Goodyear Aircraft Corporation, the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company and the B. F. Goodrich Rubber Company.

Lake Erie waves crumbled a 1,500-foot stone breakwater near Toledo and inundated 1,200 homes and 3,000 acres at Reno Beach.

House Request for Papers Rejected by Army, Navy

WASHINGTON, July 11 (AP)—The War and Navy Departments refused by direction of President Roosevelt to turn over to a House investigating committee certain documents the committee had requested to support charges that the Federal Communications Commission was interfering with the intelligence operations of the armed services.

The department's position was stated in letters published by Chairman Cox and signed by Undersecretary of War Robert P. Patterson and Acting Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal.



"Blimey! Them P38 pilots takes chances! Just think, if something went wrong inside one of them things!"

DIANA

THIS IS GOING TO BE A SWELL DANCE. HAVE YOU GOT YOUR PASS DIANA?

I KNOW I PUT IT SOMEWHERE SAFE. NO, IT ISN'T IN MY PURSE. NOW WHERE?

IT ISN'T IN MY POCKET—AND IT ISN'T THERE!

NOPE!

DID IT FALL SAM?

IT ISN'T IN MY STOCKING!! WELL, WHAT DO YOU KNOW!!! IT'S IN MY SHOE!

WE REGRET THAT, AFTER THE DISPLAY WE HAVE JUST WITNESSED, WE SHALL HAVE TO RECONSIDER YOUR SUITABILITY AS A HOSTESS AT THIS CLUB!

JEAN BAIRD

MALE CALL

"IN ACCEPTING THIS PASS, I UNDERSTAND THAT—① I AM A SOLDIER AT ALL TIMES AND SUBJECT TO BOTH CIVIL AND MILITARY CONTROL..."

ENTRANCE ONLY

② I MUST BE TEMPERATE AND NOT DO ANYTHING IN PUBLIC TO DISGRACE MYSELF OR THE ARMY..."

CROSS STREET

③ I MUST BE POLITE TO ALL PEOPLE I MEET, WHETHER THEY ARE IN UNIFORM OR CIVILIAN CLOTHES..."

SALE

④ A PASS IS A PRIVILEGE, AND I MAY NOT GET ANOTHER ONE IF I DO NOT CONDUCT MYSELF PROPERLY..."

MILITARY OFFICER

JOE PABOOKA

I'LL EXPLAIN HOW WE'VE MAPPED THE STRATEGY... NOW HERE WE HAVE OUR MEN...

6-20

PRETTY DANGEROUS, COLONEL. THEY CAN BREAK THROUGH HERE I'M AFRAID.

WE'VE GOT TO TAKE THE CHANCE. PALOOKA... COME HERE.

SET YOUR WATCH-- THE TIME WILL BE EXACTLY TWO. YOU HAVE A HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY, JOE.

YESSIR.

I KNOW I CAN DEPEND ON YOU, MY BOY. GOOD LUCK.

THAN K'YOU, SIR.

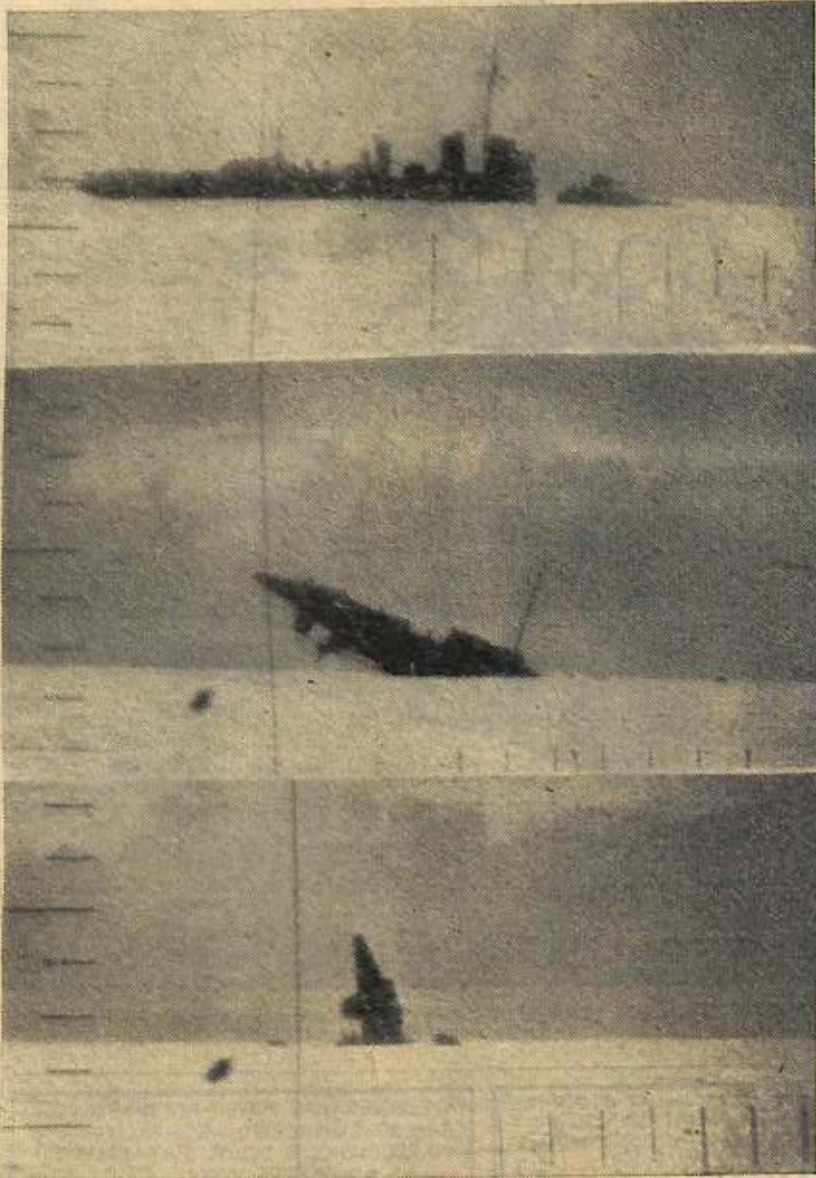
FUNNY THING-- I AIN'T NERVISS WHEN I'M IN ACTION--- BUT SITTIN' AN' WATIN'-- WHEW!

RELAX, JERRY-- AIN'T NO USE WORRYIN'.

OKAY, KID--- TIME T'GO--- GET YOUR STUFF.

OH BOY!

The Death of A Jap Destroyer



Associated Press Photo
A torpedo from a U.S. sub spelled quick finish for this Jap destroyer off the coast of Formosa. The pictures, taken through the submarine's periscope, show: (top) just after torpedo hit forward of enemy vessel; (center) seconds later the stricken ship's stern tilts forward; (bottom) fantail high, she plunged to her watery grave.

Good Points About Cycling



Stars and Stripes Photo
Two Joes—T/4 James Sotaski, of Baltimore, Md. (left) and Pvt. Harry Paris, of New York—show the Blossom sisters, Helen (left) and Dorothy, of New York, around their camp in England. The two girls with USO Show "Broadway Time" entertain troops in the Plymouth area this week.

The World's Fastest Riveters Mannequin Weds Yank Editor

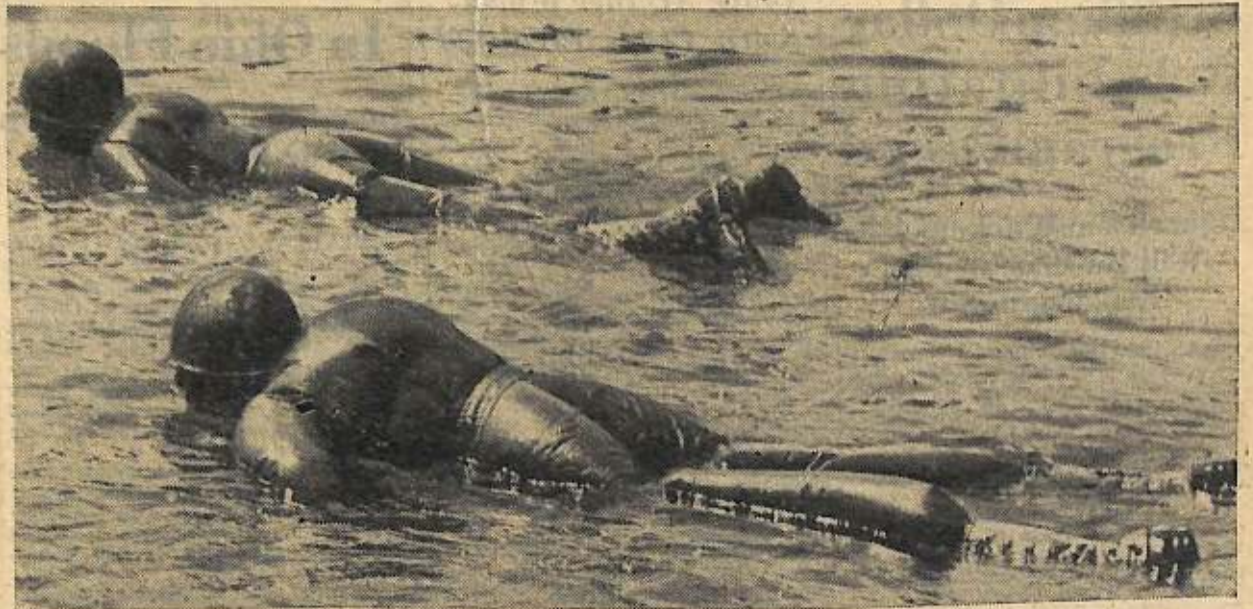


Planet Photo
Probably the world's fastest riveters—Henry Halsey, T/Sgt. Bill Richardson, boyish editor of Yank magazine (distributed with The Stars and Stripes every Saturday), Sherlie Winningham, John Hastings and Robert Bingaman—as a team drove 12,553 rivets in seven and quarter hours in a Baltimore factory, believed to be a world's record.



Keystone Photo
Bill Richardson, boyish editor of Yank magazine (distributed with The Stars and Stripes every Saturday), and his wife, the former Ricky Richardson, British model who toured the Americas the last two years.

Fatigue Suit Does Double Duty



The GI fatigue suit (blue denims or herringbone twill) is used as a life preserver by this glider pilot from Bowman Field, Ky. The suit is the same as the ordinary coverall suit worn by civilians. When soaked in water, it becomes air tight and will sustain a person for a long period of time.

Killed 38 Japs High Parachutist Kiss Wins Job



Associated Press Photo
Marine Sgt. "Manila John" Basilone, of Raritan, N.J., 26, is officially credited with mowing down 38 Japs in the annihilation of an entire Jap regiment in a battle on Guadalcanal. He wears the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Miss Goodman



Associated Press Photo
Benny Goodman performs meal-time duties for his daughter who makes her camera debut. Phil Spitalny, all-girl band leader, already has optioned the infant's future possibilities of becoming a clarinet player.



Associated Press Photo
Suffering only from a frozen hand, caused by loss of one glove caught by shroud lines when his 'chute opened, Lt. Col. Bill Randolph, of Maryland, made the highest leap on record in the U.S.—40,200 feet, while testing emergency equipment.

Artists' Own 'Pin-Up' Girl



Associated Press Photo
Posing for a poster in which she bestowed an underwater kiss upon a bathing suit-clad male led to a screen contest in Hollywood for Vivian Austin. A movie scout, intrigued by the watery osculation, traced her and signed her up.



Taking a cue from the GI custom of pinning pictures of girls on locker walls, the American Society of Magazine Cartoonists has chosen a pin-up girl of its own. She is Jane Kean, being sketched by Ponce de Leon,