

## Nazis Howl As RAF Hits Ruhr Again

### German Radio and Papers Plead With People To Pull Together

Allied fighters and light bombing forces struck across the Channel yesterday, a few hours after RAF night raiders had resumed their pounding of the Ruhr with attacks centered on Oberhausen. Other RAF night intruders swept the Low Countries and France, destroying two enemy planes and hitting trains and barges.

Three Nazi fighters were shot down over France in yesterday's daylight sweeps, which carried the newest phase of the Allied aerial offensive from bases in Britain into its fifth day. It began with last Friday's daylight attack by U.S. bombers on Wilhelmshaven and Cuxhaven, in Germany.

While the bombers pounded away at the inner strength of the Nazis' war might German newspapers and official radio programs stepped up their appeals and orders to the battered civilians of the target areas to "pull together."

#### Nazis Report on Devastation

An official war reporter spoke over Berlin radio to residents of Reich districts as yet unbombed, and described the conditions under which the Ruhr and the ports building U-boats exist:

"Here, out of 1,365 days of war, every third or even every second, has been a day or a night with an air raid alarm. . . . Here, war is nearer to the civilian and grips him more closely than is the case even with some soldiers in the front line. . . . even soldiers from the Eastern Front stand silent at the windows of trains passing through this area and bow before the sacrifice of the people at home."

There have been such appeals before, observers here pointed out, but seldom in such volume and with such frank admission of damage and strife to the Reich's inner defenses.

The raid on Oberhausen, carried out chiefly by four-engined bombers, cost the RAF 18 planes. Large fires throughout the target area were reported by returning crews, who flew their bombers through heavy icing conditions and intense cold.

#### Night Fighters in Strength

Enemy night fighters were up in strength, airmen said, as the bombers made their runs on the iron and steel plants which sustain the Ruhr's fifth most important center of war industry.

Oberhausen, which is just between much-bombed Dusseldorf and Essen, in the western half of the Ruhr valley, also is a transportation center, with an elaborate system of railways and canals converging on industrial sites.

While the RAF was over the Ruhr, the Luftwaffe sent small forces of bombers against southeast England, East Anglia and the London area. London had two alerts, and ack-ack opened up on high-flying raiders which dropped bombs causing damage and some casualties, according to the Air Ministry.

Meanwhile, from Switzerland and Sweden yesterday came continued reports of German admissions that damage from the USAAF and RAF bombings has been heavy. There was no comment in official quarters in London as to whether the German admissions were genuine or part of a propaganda campaign.

Enormous damage and casualties in the Dusseldorf, Wilhelmshaven, Cuxhaven, Bremen and Kiel raids was admitted by several papers.

"German population drastically affected" is the headline under which one Swiss paper yesterday described conditions in Germany. The paper quoted the "Voelkischer Beobachter" as emphasizing the unbearable physical, nervous and mental stress on the population of places which have had more than 600 alerts and more than 200 actual bombings.

## Shoe Buyers Jam Shops To Beat Coupon Deadline

NEW YORK, June 15 (AP)—Shoe buyers jammed New York stores today in a last-minute rush to use shoe-rationing coupons which expire at midnight. Women outnumbered men by ten to one during the morning hours, forming lines at the shoe counters of the city's department stores. Men used their lunch hours in an effort to pick up a pair from chain or department stores near their places of employment.

Store managers said there would be another rush in a few days when women try to exchange ill-fitting footwear which they snapped up today.

## New Air Force Patch



New Eighth Air Force shoulder flash.

### ETO Airmen To Be Issued Orange and Blue Insignia

The Eighth Air Force has its own insignia to replace the old winged star shoulder flash worn by all men in the U.S. Air Force.

The new patch is described officially as "an ultra-marine blue disc two and one-half inches in diameter, with a winged number eight of golden orange. The Air Force star is in the lower lobe of the figure eight."

The patch will be worn by all members of the Eighth Air Force. Issue to enlisted men will begin about July 31, and it will be on sale at the PXs from August 15.

The design was one of several submitted for official acceptance by Maj. Edward H. Winter, of Savannah, Ga. Maj. Winter is attached to Eighth Air Force Headquarters, and was helped with the design by Sgt. Douglas Salter, of Toronto, Canada.

## U.S. Subs Sink 12 Jap Ships

### Destroyer Listed as Lost; Cargo Ship Afire After New Guinea Attack

WASHINGTON, June 15—American submarines, operating in Far Eastern waters, have sent 12 more Japanese ships to the bottom, the Navy Department announced today. Some of the sinkings, none of which has been announced previously, were off the coast of southern China and some near Japan itself.

One destroyer, one large transport, five medium cargo ships, one large trawler, one patrol vessel, one small supply vessel and two small cargo ships were listed as sunk. One large tanker, one destroyer and one medium-sized transport were listed as probably sunk.

In New Guinea, an Allied patrol bomber set fire to a 4,000-ton Jap freighter with two direct hits with 500-pound bombs at Humbolt Bay.

Allied medium bombers raided Hollandia, Kaimaua and Babo, in Dutch New Guinea. Jap planes attacked Guadalcanal, in the Solomons, and Goodenough Island, off New Guinea.

#### Turko-Syrian Frontier Closed

ANKARA, June 15 (UP)—British authorities have closed the Syrian side of the Turko-Syrian frontier, presumably to halt the leakage of information from Syria and Palestine. German agents in Turkey may be gaining information from Arabs in Syria and Palestine.

#### Favors World Council

WASHINGTON, June 15 (AP)—The House Foreign Affairs Committee today unanimously recommended that Congress go on record as favoring "the creation of the appropriate international machinery with powers adequate for the establishment and maintenance of a just and lasting peace."

# Blockbusters Smash Messina; Italians Reported Quitting Work On Sardinia Forts to Flee Isle

## Donkey Bite Only Casualty In Occupation of Pantellaria

### Thousands of Prisoners Evacuated Under Allied Fighter Cover; Some Are Bombed; Duce Ordered Surrender

PANTELLARIA, June 14 (delayed) (UP)—Scenes reminiscent of Cape Bon were seen this morning as thousands of Italian prisoners, forming the bulk of the 15,000 garrison, wound their dusty, tattered way from the surrounding hills into a foul ruin which once bore the name of Pantellaria.

(Hundreds of Italian prisoners already have been evacuated from Pantellaria, the Associated Press reported. They were excited and frightened when first brought on board the convoy vessels, but the patrols of Allied fighters overhead soon allayed their fears and they settled down to enjoy the trip.)

The Germans, with callous indifference to the fate of the thousands of Italian prisoners and the homeless Italian civilians congregated along the waterfront, have bombed and machine-gunned the island. The only retaliation the Italians can offer at the moment is the shaking of fists and curses for the hated "Tedeschi."

One of the most astounding facts about the surrender of this Mediterranean stronghold is that the attacking forces suffered no casualties whatever. The only man to suffer any sort of injury was bitten by a donkey.

Mussolini personally ordered the (Continued on page 4)

## Reds Mass Near Moscow—Berlin Complete Army Believed Ready to Strike as Invasion Begins

Germany, already faced with the task of countering an Allied invasion, was beset by another threat yesterday—the massing of huge Russian forces on the Moscow front apparently for a blow timed to fall with the opening of the Second Front.

Berlin radio reported the assembling of the troops and said a complete army was involved. The announcer added, however, there were no signs of an immediate attack.

While fighting on the Russian front has died down in most sectors, a Soviet attack in one area, near Byelev, succeeded in piercing the German lines. The Red Air Force continued its heavy blows against supply and rail targets.

Foreign military experts in Moscow admitted they were puzzled by the German failure to launch an offensive, since, they said, Germany must defeat the Russians before the Second Front opens if she is to win the war. One explanation they gave for the lull was the terrific damage inflicted by the Red Air Force.

## Finns Get It Up Again, Will Meet Debt Today

WASHINGTON, June 15 (AP)—Finland, which never missed payment of an instalment on her debt to the United States until she became involved in war with the Soviet Union, will resume payments again tomorrow.

The Finnish government has notified the United States that it will pay \$168,000 which is due tomorrow under the debt settlement agreement.

## Army's 'Invasion Gliders' Get Two Tiny Engines



The Army's cargo and troop carrying gliders can now fly under their own power for short distances with the addition of two tiny engines shown mounted on this glider coming in for a landing at an airport in Minneapolis, Minn. Engineless gliders, similar to the one above, are now operating in the ETO with the Eighth Air Force Support Command.

## Axis Continues to Report Allied Ships Massing For New Blows

While RAF blockbusters smashed up the Sicilian ferry port of Messina, panicky Italian laborers were reported yesterday to be quitting work on Sardinia's fortifications and fleeing to the mainland by the boatload to escape the expected Allied invasion.

More than 5,000 workers already have left Sardinia, and others employed on defense works are demanding to be sent back, Moscow radio said, quoting a Berne dispatch. It added that construction of fortifications in the Iglesias and Cagliari areas had been halted.

Increasing Axis nervousness over the next Allied onslaught in the Mediterranean was reflected in expanding accounts of Allied troopship concentrations in the Mediterranean. Only silence in Allied quarters greeted these German and Italian accounts but the Berlin and Rome statements made it appear that a big Allied force was gathering off Pantellaria.

The Allied communique issued in North Africa confined itself to describing the blockbuster attack on Messina, the Sicilian end of the important railroad ferry to Italy, four miles away. Messina was plastered with high explosive and incendiaries from Wellingtons, and large fires were started in the railway yards and in the harbor. No planes were lost.

#### AA on Pantellaria

News that Allied forces already have anti-aircraft batteries operating on Pantellaria, which was occupied only last Friday, came from Berlin in its account of the Mediterranean shipping concentration.

The Berlin report said at least six Allied transport vessels totalling 18,000 tons had been hit by medium and heavy bombs, and then added that the German air force had had excellent results in its attacks on Anglo-American shipping in the Pantellaria area "in spite of increased fighter defenses, a number of A.A. batteries, and the support of anti-aircraft fire from a number of warships concentrated off the island."

Rome joined in with a claim that an Italian submarine had sunk one 10,000-ton ship in a strongly escorted convoy in the western Mediterranean and had damaged another of the same size.

#### Hint of New Move?

Observers in London pointed out that if an Allied sea force were being assembled in the Sicilian channel, the Northwest African Air Force would be carrying out just the reconnaissance and patrolling operations that were described in yesterday's Allied communique.

Likewise, it was explained that the Messina railway ferry slip is vital to Italy's defense of Sicily because, once knocked out, Sicily must get along for transportation on the locomotives already on the island, and these have been a favorite target of fighter sweeps.

By devious routes word continued to leak out of Italy yesterday of the troubles besetting Premier Mussolini's government. Moscow radio, quoting a Tass news agency dispatch from Berne, said an Italian cabinet decree had forbidden officials to resign and had branded such acts as attempted desertions.

The report said there had been numerous resignations of officials in bombed towns.

From Stockholm came word that the secretary of the Fascist party had sent Mussolini a list of demands marked "immediate action" and calling for severe and universal application of laws enforcing compulsory work, for suppression of the black market, better control of food distribution, and dismissal of incompetent administrators.

## Diaper-Changing Party Will Mark Fathers' Day

A diaper-changing contest for soldiers who are fathers has been scheduled for next Sunday at the Liberty club to remind GI daddies that it's Fathers' day.

Animated lectures on "How to Feed Baby" and "How to Bathe Baby" are also on the program of the club's "Fathers' day dinner party" at 6.30 PM.

The club's program department at 12 Upper Woburn Place, London, W.C.1, Euston 6084, will accept reservations if made promptly.

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Hash Marks

This story was mailed to The Stars and Stripes during the last war and just got here—by dogsled, maybe. At the conclusion of his sermon a chaplain announced in a booming voice, "Let us pray—Sergeant Carter will lead." Sgt. Carter, dozing on the front row, opened his eyes, blinked and mumbled, "It's not my lead—I just dealt."

Anything can happen these days. In Lynn, Mass., a "statue" blinked—and was arrested. Patrolman Ed Ray was



making his rounds when he stopped to look in the window of an antique shop. He was admiring what appeared to be a statue—when he saw it blink. The "statue" was tossed into the clink on a charge of intent to commit larceny.

Incidental information: The Army now has more truck drivers than it had soldiers when war began.

A London hubby testified like this the other day: "I like coming to court. I can say what I want without being interrupted by my wife."

Then there was the little Moron who thought he was bewitched—every time he went to town he turned into a pub.

During the round-up of Axis prisoners in N. Africa, American soldiers were making wisecracks when a truckload of Italian prisoners rolled back from the front. One prisoner called out in perfect English: The joke's on you. WE'RE going to New York. You're going to Italy!

Incidental information: The Army has at least one Indian who is heir to the title of chief. He is Pfc Algernon L. Fast Horse, a full-blooded Sioux from Winner, S.D. now with an MP unit over here. (No, greengroin, all Pfc's can't be chiefs!)

It's guys like Laurent LaCroix that keep MPs awake nights. AWOL from his draft board for weeks, LaCroix was



picked up by MPs at his wedding. He pleaded with them to give him a few minutes alone with his wife. The MPs gave in, but when they broke into the room they found that the draft dodger and his bride had escaped through a second-story window.

They say this happened during a "brains trust" program in which a bunch of Yanks participated. The question came up, "Are there any features of pre-war British and American life worth preserving?" Our war-weary heroes replied as one man, "Sex!"

PRIVATE BREGER



"I don't care how they do it in the movies! Take your gun outta that violin case!"

The Invasion: As Nazis Expect It



Where and when will the blow come? The faces of Hitler and Mussolini are worried as they study the map of their European fortress at their most recent conference. Left to right: Adm. Doenitz, Gen. Zeidler, Il Duce, Field Marshal Keitel, Hitler and Reichsmarshal Goering.

Italian Islands First, France and Norway By August

Stockholm is filling the place in this war which Geneva occupied in the last—the listening post of the Allied nations and the place where the enemy often launches his trial balloons. The following story, cabled to the London Daily Express by that paper's Stockholm correspondent, Gordon Young, and reprinted with the permission of the Express, presents a picture of what Germans are thinking, saying and writing as the zero hour approaches.

By Gordon Young

Daily Express Staff Correspondent
STOCKHOLM, June 15—Hitler and his staff believe that they can see the pattern of the invasion now.

The renewal of the Ruhr raids and the capture of the Italian islands are seen in Berlin today as setting the stage for this summer's main Allied offensive.

It is highly instructive to study carefully the things the Germans are saying now about what the Berlin spokesmen call "the final battle of the war."

Nazi officials are discussing invasion details freely just now. The propaganda line laid down by Goebbels is to point out all the difficulties which may crop up for the Allies in order to reassure the Germans that they have nothing to fear from Allied landings.

This propaganda was given a fresh twist this weekend when a Berlin spokesman began hinting that a German counter invasion or large-scale preventive commando raids against Britain might be part of the German staff's anti-invasion plans. Thus Goebbels' spokesman told the Berlin correspondent of the Social Demokraten: "With the major portion of

British soldiers engaged in landing operations, it is assumed here that German troops would have a good prospect of being able to deal with the British Home Guard."

From the mass of German statements, reports, rumors and press articles, it is possible to build up a picture of some of the ways the Germans envisage the coming of the Allies' greatest-ever expeditionary force.

The weapons: Three "outpost" armies are being planned by the Germans as their first line of defense against invasion.

1—Long-range coastal artillery. Those channel guns, which have been fairly silent lately, have apparently been strengthened secretly, and the Germans hope to be able to use them for long distance bombardment of our convoys as they assemble and steam towards Western Europe.

Special U-Boat Fleet

2—Submarines. Numbers of these which have been recalled from the Atlantic are being held by Doenitz to attack invading convoys.

3—Systematic minelaying. Berlin commentators are talking of a "mine blockade" of Britain on a model which they say goes back to von Tirpitz's theories in the last war.

They say there is a whole fleet of small fast ships, and minelaying aircraft, waiting to lay a barrier of mines round Britain's invasion ports.

These mines, the Germans prophesy, will be laid after the first wave of invaders has left Britain, with the object of cutting off the waves behind them.

One of the planes they will use for this minelaying is said to be the Messerschmitt 332.

The Germans think that while these long-range defenses delay the Allied invaders, their special mobile forces will be given time to rush to whatever are vital points and deal with those troops who have succeeded in landing.

2,000 Planes Wait

Finally to reassure the Germans, who are just now greatly worried by the Luftwaffe's decline, Berlin officials are talking about a big air fleet which they say "may number 2,000," and which has been given to General Field-Marshal Sperrle to hold in readiness for the day of invasion.

They are also talking of a new Heinkel bombing or minelaying plane which they say is included in Sperrle's air fleet.

Other "new weapons" were demonstrated by Reichsminister Speer at secret maneuvers in North Germany last week, according to German papers.

The Locality: The Germans predict our next moves will be to occupy Sicily, Sardinia and Corsica in that order, and very soon.

They think we will leave the Italian mainland alone for the time being. There may be attacks in the Dodecanese and Crete, too.

But the main invasion of Europe, the Germans think, will not come until August, possibly even September, because of the care with which the Allied preparations are being made.

Then they expect a simultaneous pincers operation into France from the north and south, while the Russians tie down the maximum possible German forces in the east in accordance with plans which Churchill and Roosevelt have already coordinated with Stalin.

Holland and Belgium are also seen to be in the danger zone because of the aid the Allies would get from sabotage against German communications and their ability

to provide troops with air cover over wide areas.

They do not believe we shall land in Denmark because its long shallow sandy shore makes operations hard, and the Danes have not done as much by sabotage as other countries.

If there is any attack on Norway the Germans think it will come against Trondheim in order to capture that port as a base for the British Navy and to cut off the Germans in the northern part of the country.

Battle for Airfields

German reinforcements could be sent to northern Norway only by air, so our battle for northern Norway would be largely a battle for its airfields.

There would be simultaneous attacks on Narvik and Tromsø and perhaps a Russian offensive from Murmansk.

The Home Front: Extraordinary efforts are being made by the Germans to get their civilians trained to react properly to the anxious days of invasion.

In addition, Goebbels assures them "it will be all right on the night."

Nazi officials are doing everything in their power to steady the people's nerves, frayed by air raids and other home-life difficulties.

Goebbels's Voelkischer Beobachter has almost a pathological article appealing to the Germans to behave better in public because of the harm which constant quarrels breaking out among nervy Germans is doing to the nation's war effort.

Jitters Grips Germans

The article urges that Germany must be made into one great "battlefield of good conduct," and it says, "Few people have such great losses from friction to surmount as we. Every day personal conduct between Germans leaves much to be desired."

"We find it difficult to get on with one another."

"There is perpetual latent tension between us."

It urges: "Every friendly act furthers the nation's war effort."

How great is the Germans' present nervousness you can judge from a case reported in today's Berlin papers.

An eight-year-old German girl called Ingrid pulled the hair of a ten-year-old girl called Christa. Their mothers saw them and began a neighbors' quarrel over the incident, which ended in a free fight in which broomsticks and dogwhips were used. Now the two women have been sent to prison for six months for not contributing to the battlefield of good conduct.



Memories

A moment out of every day is set aside for you, A moment in which time goes back In loving heart's review.

I live again, enchanted nights In your sweet company I see your smile and hear your voice In dreams of you and me.

I hold you in my arms and dance To music's light refrain, I kiss your lips and hold you tight As I want to do again.

These moments kept for you alone Unceasing while away, Breathe the longing in my heart The heart you hold today.

T/S George E. Kerr.

Helicopters at Work

The secret of success against the submarine may have been found, says the Director of Public Relations of the United States Navy, in the helicopter. These handy craft, now based on merchant ships, have been set to work guarding the 500-mile gap in the mid-Atlantic in which, since it cannot be effectively patrolled even by using long-range planes, the submarine has taken the greatest toll of our transports.

The new helicopter can rise from the deck of a Liberty ship or tanker vertically, and, returning, can descend vertically and make an easy landing on the same tiny deck. It can fly backward and sidewise and thus dodge enemy fire. It can hover a few feet above any surface. With such maneuverability it can dog a submarine and drop depth charges from close range.

Its designer, Igor I. Sikorsky, predicts that within ten years after the war hundreds of thousands, possibly a million, helicopters will be in the service of civilians. They will make possible broader and better use of the American countryside and will enable workers to live away from the dirt and noise of busy cities.

The helicopters are now at work on their war job. With the coming of peace they will be given an even more important task to perform.

Work for the Blind

The blind, now that necessity has broken down the traditional skepticism of employers, are showing that in certain branches of industry they can not only hold their own with other workers, but actually excel.

The shortage of man-power for essential war industries has thus released a source of energy which has long waited to be tapped and which promises new and inspiring outlets for after-the-war years.

Records established by the blind in war industry have been a real contribution to war production, and in no way has this work been accomplished on the basis of a publicity stunt. For example, a blind inspector of shells in a large arms factory has for the past year maintained a perfect record, not one bad shell having slipped through his sensitive fingers. The work of a blind girl in detecting rough spots, bends, cuts, dents and buckles on certain aviation items was found to be superior to that of 37 girls with perfect vision working at the same task. In one of the nation's largest radio factories a blind man achieved a production record of 2,000 speakers welded in a single day, a figure 600 above the average for the plant.

Gratitude for an opportunity for employment and relief from the monotony that comes to the blind has been expressed by those employed, while the excellence of the work indicates that these people who have been a community liability in the past can in the future actually become valuable producers in this world they cannot see.

In the past the labor market has been as blind as the blind. In the better world for which we are all fighting a broader vision will include employment for these unfortunates.

Don't Talk

If you should be captured by the Heinies . . . which we hope you won't be . . . you may be given an opportunity to speak over the radio, provided you'll say "the chow's fine."

You may incline towards accepting this invitation because you'll have a chance to say hello pa, hello ma; but don't accept.

The War Department is instructing all soldiers to steer clear of enemy mikes. Under international law a captured soldier may refuse to broadcast, and you are urged to refuse should this problem confront you. Broadcasting for the enemy, and we've heard quite a bit of it over enemy short wave stations, is just another trick of the Nazis and the Japs to use prisoners of war to help them spread propaganda.

# ETO Title Swimming Meet to Be Held in August

## Bees Remain Undefeated in SOS League

### Bombers Game Behind Rebels in Churchill Circuit

By M. M. Robins

Stars and Stripes Unit Correspondent

SOS HEADQUARTERS, June 15—Almost at the halfway mark, the following teams lead the Special Service Unit's three softball leagues: the Churchill Rebels, the Roosevelt MRUs, and the Stalin Bumble Bees. The latter nine is still undefeated with a record of seven victories and no losses.

The MRUs widened their lead in the Roosevelt loop to two and a half games over the second-place Aces by winning both their games this week. It was easy pickings, for they tackled two second division outfits—the Sad Sacks and the Knockout Drops. The former took a 10-7 whipping and the latter were kayoed 6-2. The Sacks yapped closely at the heels of the MRUs for four innings, but in the next two stanzas the MRUs tallied four runs to open up a safe lead.

Andy Tack, of Elizabeth, N.J., was the winning pitcher, while Endicott, battered for nine hits, was the loser.

The MRUs took an early lead in the Drops conflict and were never in trouble after the second inning. T/5 Johnny Gray, of Baltimore, gave up six hits. Gophers Lose Heartbreaker

The Gophers, who occupied second place two weeks ago, fell another notch when they lost a heartbreaker to the last-place Kings, 9-8. They were in front for six frames, when the Kings unloosed an attack which netted them four runs and the game. Whipple was the winning twirler, while Sartin was the losing moundsman. The Gophers are just above the .500 mark with six victories against five setbacks.

Rain washed out the Rebels' games in the Churchill circuit, but they remain on top with ten wins and one loss. Only a game behind them are the Flaming Bombers, who kept up the hot pace set by the Rebels by trouncing the Royal Aces, 14-7.

Cowin, winning pitcher, was nicked for nine blows, while his mates collected 13 off the slants of Wessel. The Aces are now in fifth place.

Behind them in sixth are the Wolves, who won more games this week than they have all season. They stepped out of the cellar by trimming the Diamonds, 6-2, and the Ramblers, 10-4. In the Diamonds' game they got off to a good start by tallying four runs in the first inning. An error and hits by Law, Fabritius and Monier were the main factors in that rally. Capt. A. T. Hingle, of San Antonio, Texas, gave up five hits to the Diamonds. De Carlos was the losing pitcher, allowing eight blows.

Hingle hung up another victory by stopping the Ramblers. Helping him on the offensive were the big bats of Williamson and McTighe. The Ramblers are one game ahead of the cellar Diamonds. The Wolves in sixth are two and a half games behind the Royal Aces.

Martin Hurls Shutout Despite the rain the Bumble Bees managed to whitewash the Pubs, 9-0. Pvt. Joe R. Martin, of Versailles, Ill., hurled his fourth shutout in seven games, setting down the Pubs with two hits. Mayon and Gagneaux backed up Martin with some effective hitting.

The SSUs survived a heavy hitting game against the Sad Socks, winning 12-11. Depew received credit for the win, although he had to be relieved by Santoro in the fourth. Stafford was touched for 14 hits by the winners.

The Medics Aces clung to third place by smearing the fifth-place Inkspots, 13-4. Bangston hurled a good game and was never in trouble. Clark, Drucker and Gaffney stood out for the winners. For the losers, Dye pitched ineffective ball and was slammed for 15 hits. In fifth place, the Inkspots are one and a half games behind the Sad Socks, who have slipped during the past two weeks because of the stiff opposition they encountered in meeting the top nines in the circuit.

Ralph Montague Fans 12 In Bromley Exhibition Tilt With Pfc Ralph Montague, of Detroit, fanning 12, the U.S. One softball squad trounced G-2, 12-3, in an exhibition contest at Bromley. The winners amassed 14 hits, including two homers by Lt. Thomas Harris, of Harrisburg, Pa.

Pfc Dick Chval, of Chicago, was the loser on the mound and leading hitter for the G-2s. Lt. Bob Stultz, of Brooklyn, got three for five for the winners. SOS Headquarters has been challenged by the winners.

Rundus Hurls No-Hitter — BOMBER STATION, June 15—Sgt. Joe Rundus, of Belleville, Ken., threw his invincible ball for nine innings yesterday, pitching a no-hit, no-run game as the Bomber Group trounced the Bomber Group, 11-0, in a league game. The winners stretched their winning streak to winners stretched their winning streak to five against no defeats. Five thousand saw the game, which was part of a Wings for Victory celebration.

## Giants Send Babe Barna To Sox For Ken Chase

NEW YORK, June 15—The New York Giants beat the big league trading deadline by sending Outfielder Babe Barna to the Red Sox for Ken Chase, left-handed hurler who has lost four and won none this season. Chase walked 11 Senators in four innings Sunday. Barna has been batting .198.

In another move to strengthen the team, the Giants recalled Pitchers Hugh East and Rube Fischer from Jersey City in exchange for Jack Coombs and Ken Trinkle, also hurlers.

## 'Dodgers' Keep Ordnance Lead

### Roth Hurls Two-Hit, 6-0, Victory Over Engineers

By Irv White

Stars and Stripes Unit Correspondent

—ORDNANCE DEPOT, June 15—The Dodgers (—Ordnance) continued to knock over all National League opposition at this station by defeating the Reds (—Engineers), 6-0. The Cardinals (—Ordnance), who started the current season with a loss, kept running neck and neck with the Dodgers when they slammed the ball all over the lot to win, 12-4, from the Cubs (—Ordnance).

The Dodgers scored enough in the first to win, when McDavis, Chalifoux, and Anastasi singled for two runs. They added another in the second and three in the fifth. Roth allowed but two bingles for the winners. His mates collected four.

The Cardinals followed suit in their game, crossing the plate seven times on seven hits in the first. Twelve men batted in this frame. Garrison got a double while Plon tripled to score two. Ev Hartshorn, at the hot corner, got four for four and scored and batted in three runs.

In the American League, the Browns (—Ordnance) beat the Tigers (—Engineers), 16-4, then lost their first game of the season to the Indians (—Medics), 4-2. A big fourth, in which 13 men batted, scoring ten runs, featured the Brown victory. Shortstop Matchinsky, with four for five, and Third Baseman Van Lente, with three for four, led their team's slugging.

The last-place Indians took sweet revenge when they won their first game this year from the hitherto undefeated Browns, who had previously beaten the Medics, 19-2. Janusz' single in the fourth, scoring Poland and Vondruska, put his team safely in the lead. The Browns came back with two, but Yelenik tightened up and pitched his mates to sweet victory.

## Minor League Results

International League Monday's Games: Rochester 2, Newark 1; Buffalo 8, Jersey City 7; Toronto 6, Syracuse 4; Baltimore 6, Montreal 2.

Eastern League Monday's Games: Utica 1, Albany 0 (first game); Albany 4, Utica 1 (second game); No other games played.

American Association Monday's Games: Milwaukee 15, Toledo 1; Kansas City 6, Columbus 3; No other games played.

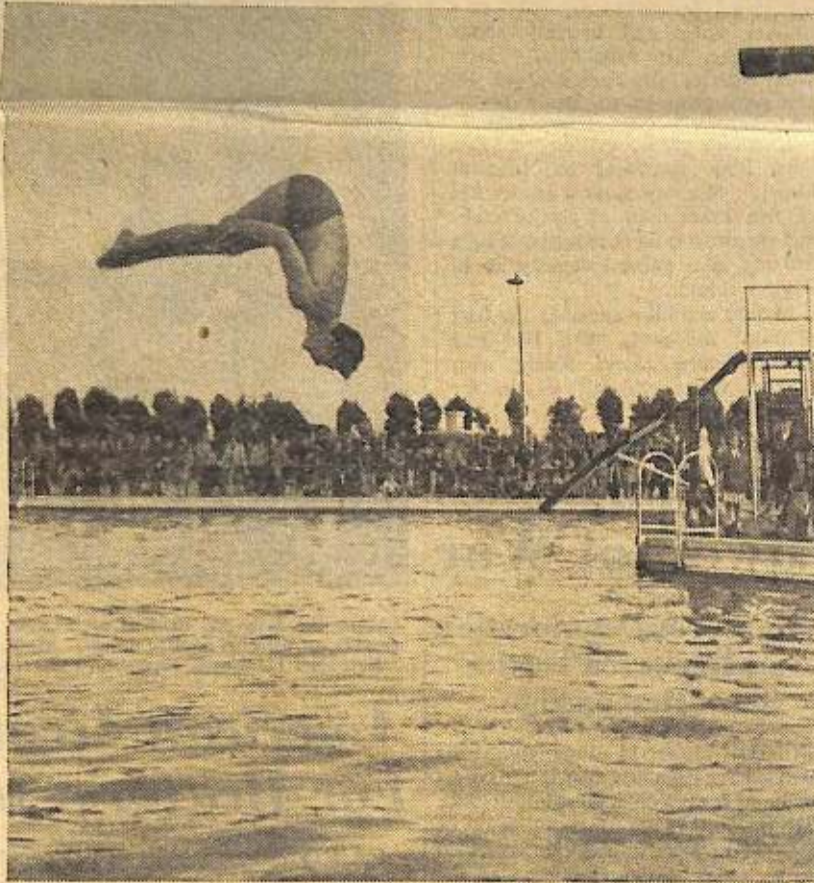
Southern Association Monday's Games: Knoxville 11, Memphis 2; No other games played.

Pacific Coast League Monday's Games: No games played.

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



## As Natators Took Seventh Straight



Capt. Kenneth Willard, of St. Louis, Mo., former Central AAU and Ozark AAU diving champ, in action as the U.S. Army's swimming team won its seventh straight from the Uxbridge Club, 24-9.

## Yankees Rap Senators, 4-1; Cards Gain Two-Game Lead

By Collie Small

United Press Sports Writer

NEW YORK, June 15—The proud Yankees fitted an important victory into the prelude to another cake walk by knocking over the rival Washington Senators yesterday, 4-1, thereby stepping three games ahead in the American League race.

Spud Chandler, Yankee right-hander, won his seventh triumph, letting the Nats down with six hits—all of them bingles. The Yankees converted their victory off a quartet of Washington hurlers—Ewald Pyle, Rae Scarborough, Dewey Adkins and Milt Haefner.

The Bombers scored in the first on a walk, Pyle's wild pitch, Bill Johnson's single and again in the third on Charlie Keller's bunt, Lindell's walk, Gordon's bunt and Pyle's wild throw to first after Etten's long outfield fly.

The Senators were guilty of four misuses in the field which contributed heavily

to Pyle's delinquency. They scored their solitary run in the eighth when Stan Spence singled to center with Ellis Clary aboard.

In the National League, the Cardinals gold-plated their lead over the Dodgers, triumphing over Cincinnati, 5-3. Big Mort Cooper hung up his eighth victory of the season, yielding eight safely scattered hits while his mates pounded out ten off Ray Starr, Ed Malloy and Clyde Shoun.

Walker Cooper's rousing triple in the sixth with the bases full scored three runs for the Cards and Marty Marion singled Whitey Kurowski home for another tally in the same frame, sending them into a lead that was never threatened.

The Dodgers dropped two games off the pace, losing 4-3 to Boston in a twilight game at Ebbets Field. A two-run Brave assault on Ed Head in the eighth lifted Boston from a 3-2 deficit for the victory. Al Javery, Brave right-hander, took his fifteenth victory while his mates garnered 12 blows.

## The Stars and Stripes Athletic Committee ETO SWIMMING AND DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

To be held August 8th, 1943, at Marshall Street Baths, London, England.

Preliminaries—2 PM Finals—7 PM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ RANK \_\_\_\_\_
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COLLEGE OR HIGH SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

### EVENTS

- 50-YD. FREE STYLE
100-YD. FREE STYLE
200-YD. FREE STYLE
100-YD. BACK STROKE
100-YD. BREAST STROKE
150-YD. MEDLEY (Individual)
200-YD. FREESTYLE RELAY (Four-Man Team)
1-METER DIVE
3-METER DIVE

Approved (Special Service Officer)

(Mail this entry blank to The Stars and Stripes Athletic Committee, Printing House Square, London, E.C.4, before July 31)

by Chic Young

## 9 Events Listed For Tourney at Marshall Pool

### Officers, Enlisted Men May Enter Nine-Event Program

Another big ETO championship meet has been scheduled by The Stars and Stripes Athletic Committee, which yesterday announced plans for a one-day swimming and diving meet to be held at the Marshall Street Baths, London, on Aug. 8.

The meet, open to all enlisted men and officers serving with the U.S. forces in the ETO, will include the following events: 100-yard free style; 50-yard free style; 200-yard free style; 100-yard backstroke; 100-yard breast stroke; 150-yard medley (individual); 200-yard free style relay; three-meter dive and one-meter dive.

The committee, representing the combined efforts of the Army's Special Services, the American Red Cross and The Stars and Stripes, has announced that a swimmer may compete in any number of events, but that men competing on the 200-yard free style relay teams must all come from the same command.

Individual medals will be given for the first five places in each individual event and to each member of the winning relay teams. No team trophy will be given.

Preliminaries are scheduled for 2 PM and the finals will get under way at 8 PM.

## 'Yanks' Check Hawks, 8-2

By Wade Barton

Stars and Stripes Unit Correspondent

—AIR DEPOT BASE, June 15—Pfc Irving Smith, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., blasted a long home run to drive in two runs which climaxed a five-run rally in the third inning as the high-flying Yanks beat the Hawks, 8-2, in one of the outstanding games played in the Jeep baseball league here.

Smith and S/Sgt. Haden Miller, of Owens Cross Roads, Ala., led the 18-hit attack with three hits each, while Cpl. John Rows, of Minneapolis, Minn., limited the Hawks to eight scattered blows, having trouble only with Pfc Hubert Van Horn, of Canton, Ohio, who got a double and a triple.

The Missions upset the dope bucket and knocked off the Giants, 16-10, scoring 11 runs in the first three innings. Richard McCrae, of San Antonio, Texas, Missions' third baseman, hit three doubles and drove in four runs to take hitting honors for the evening.

S/Sgt. Harold Rosen, of Brooklyn, turned in another fine performance, pitching the White Sox to a 9-2 victory over the Cards. He allowed only four hits and fanned ten with a double by Nelson, scoring two runs in the first the only damaging blow. Sgt. Jim Engle, of Dayton, Ohio, Sox left fielder, hit for a homer in the sixth with the sacks empty. Pvt. Moe Punsak, League leading hitter, kept his hot pace with three hits. The Cards were not credited with a single assist.



HOW THEY STAND. American League Monday's Games: New York 4, Washington 1; Other teams not scheduled.

National League Monday's Games: St. Louis 5, Cincinnati 3; Boston 4, Brooklyn 3; Other teams not scheduled.

Leading Batters American League: Stephens, St. Louis; G AB R H Pct.

National League: Dahlgren, Philadelphia; G AB R H Pct.

Home Run Hitters American League: Keller, New York, 8; Gordon, New York, 6; Stephens, Chartak, Laabs, McQuinn, St. Louis, and York, Detroit, 4.

### Anglo-American Experts Answer Soldier Queries

#### 'Brains Trust' Explains National Differences To Yanks

By Richard Wilbur  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

EIGHTH BOMBER COMMAND HQ, June 15—An intent audience of enlisted men and officers contributed here last night to a quiz program designed to increase understanding between the United States and Great Britain. On the stage were members of "The Anglo-American Brains Trust," who tried to answer any question put to them by the audience. The group, with visits to more than 200 British Army and RAF stations behind it, made its second appearance before an all-American audience.

Pvt. Lawrence St. Jean, of Detroit, Mich.; Sgt. Lambert J. Seurer, of Prior Lake, Minn.; and Sgt. Anthony Consolino, of Richmond, Ind., mess workers who spend most of the army day on their feet, were among the standees who followed the hour program closely. Also in the audience were Brig. Gen. Newton Longfellow, commanding general of Eighth Bomber Command, Col. C. C. Bubb, chief of staff, and Lt. Col. Leonel Morris, station commander.

Ranging from "When will the English take up baseball?" through "What are the comparative merits of English and American education?" to "How can the world have permanent peace?" the questions were answered by four English and two American members of the "Brains Trust."

#### Baseball for English

The English members were Sir Henry Bunbury, economist and former controller of the British Post Office; Lt. Col. Clive Webster, director of British Army education in the London district; Maj. John Maude, barrister; and Giles Alington, former American history teacher at St. Paul's School in Massachusetts, who acted as question master. The American members were Henry David, history professor at Queens College, N.Y., and C. S. Williams, artist, secretary of the group.

Neatly disposed of by Col. Webster, to the apparent satisfaction of all hands, was the query as to when the English will take up baseball. "When you Americans take up cricket," Col. Webster answered.

On the comparative merits of English and American education, three members of the "Brains Trust" agreed that at the higher levels of schooling, opportunities are greater in America, and that at the elementary level, English opportunities are greater. "You Americans have a right to education that English people haven't," Sir Henry said. "Higher education in England still rests too much on class distinction and privilege."

Class distinction was defined from an American viewpoint by Prof. David. "If you asked somebody in the States what class he belonged to, he'd probably either give the year he graduated from college, or say something like 8B," Prof. David said. "Class distinctions have been fixed in England for so long that an Englishman accepts them as a matter of course and behaves as if they weren't there. In America these distinctions aren't rigid—America is more like an escalator, where you can rise or descend according to your individual capacity and effort."

#### Experts Confounded

The "Brains Trust" experts were briefly confounded when a private arose and said, "I wonder if you could clarify the differences between the English and American sense of humor." Sir Henry observed that Mark Twain was considered very funny by English people, adding that he didn't know if Americans found the English funny. "They probably think," said Col. Webster, "that we're odd, not funny."

To the query, "What are your suggestions for a permanent peace?" question master Alington protested, "We're merely a brains trust, and not God." Mr. Williams said he agreed with Winston Churchill that the Allies must disarm "the gangster nations" and keep them disarmed. "It's simple enough," Mr. Williams added. "It's up to us." Col. Webster said that permanent peace wouldn't begin and end with the U.S. and Great Britain, but would require "urging the long view" on every other nation.

"I don't believe America and Britain should have permanent mastery over the world," Maj. Maude said, "and endlessly go about brandishing a big stick. We should both loathe that before long."

### Ireland Soldiers Escort LOC Girls on Picnic

BELFAST, June 15—Men of an Ulster replacement depot, under mentorship of John Martin, American Red Cross, escorted 14 Lockheed Overseas Corp. girl workers from Port Rush to Giants Causeway and Dunluce Castle on a picnic. Ham and eggs, scrounged from the beautiful Irish countryside by Sgt. Charles A. Patterson, New Orleans, were served at Kane's Cafe, Port Rush.

Soldiers attending were: T/Sgt. Herbert R. Poeschl, Oshkosh, Wis.; Cpl. James T. Delahanty, Brooklyn, N.Y.; Cpl. Meyer J. Krentzel, New York City; Sgt. Pete Ferrall, Washington, Pa.; Sgt. John Kolodziejczyk, Ohio; Sgt. Charles A. Patterson, New Orleans; Pvt. Chester L. Bruckner, Wilkes, Kan.; Pfc Peter J. McGee, Philadelphia, Pa.; Pfc Norris Mire, Rayne, La.; Pfc J. T. Lucious, Houlika, Miss.; Pvt. Rufus Jordan, Vincent, Mont. Ala.; Pvt. Charles Conlon, New Haven, Conn.

### Harlem Star in Africa Is Popularizing 'Gertie'

ALGIERS, June 15—Josephine Baker, Harlem belle who stood Paris on its ear in the 1920s, still has a throaty voice and naughty songs. She croons her naughtiest, "Gertie from Bizerte," for Yank soldiers, and the song promises to be a second

Josephine got her version from Pvt. Paul Reif, composer of "Isle of Capri." She now sings it an average of five times daily at service clubs and on army radio broadcasts, besides starring in a musical comedy at an Algiers theater.

"I find a soldier audience the best of all," she says, "and I've had plenty." She enjoys dining with soldiers where she gets all the ice cream she wants.

### June Sub Losses Lowest of War

#### U-Boat Crew Deterioration And Improved Tactics Seem Responsible

BOSTON, June 15—June submarine sinkings have been less than in the corresponding May period and the lowest since Pearl Harbor, Elmer Davis, director of the Office of War Information, revealed here yesterday at the convention of the American Newspaper Guild.

Davis attributed the "gratifying" shipping situation to a "marked deterioration in the quality of German crews" and improved anti-submarine tactics.

He predicted that the war with Japan would probably outlast the European conflict, although he said there were "some signs of dissatisfaction in Japan."

#### Berlin Admits Bigger Losses

STOCKHOLM, June 15 (UP)—An admission that German U-boat losses have increased recently was made today by the naval correspondent of the Berlin newspaper Volkischer Beobachter. He denied, however, that losses are exceeding production.

### Open Air Rites Held At SOS

SOS HQ, June 15—In the open air, in a church constructed each Sunday simply by arranging chairs in rows, setting up a public address system and placing the American flag and the Chaplain's flag at the sides of the plain, wooden stand which serves as an altar, interdenominational services are held at this post.

The services were instituted May 2. The church choir has since grown into the SOS Glee club.

Conducting services are Chaplains Edwin R. Carter Jr., of Richmond, Va., and John I. Rhea, of Bristol, Tenn. Maj. Gen. John C. H. Lee, commanding SOS ETO, heads the high ranking officers who attend.

Under the direction of the ETO music officer, Capt. Arthur Billings Hunt, of Brooklyn, the Glee Club is planning a tour of the British Isles. S/Sgt. John R. Lyle, of Bloomsburg, Pa., is assistant director of the club. Librarian is Cpl. Jay Jensen, of Little Rock, Ark. S/Sgt. Louis Ferraro, of Teaneck, N.J., leads the band.

### Nurses Out-Drill Soldiers With Close Order Perfection

A U.S. ARMY HOSPITAL, WBS, June 15—When it comes to close order drill, enlisted personnel of this station take a back seat to the nurses.

Back in December, the nurses, in addition to their regular duties, began drilling for an hour or so every morning under the direction of 1/Lt. Mel Lawson, of Pitman, N.J., hospital adjutant.

"They looked pretty ragged when they first started, just like anyone would who is not trained in that branch," Lt. Lawson explained, "but now they have the drill down pat and the enlisted men are just a

bit envious of their rivals on the drill field."

Lt. Lawson is particularly proud of the manner in which the nurses are able to execute the Marine drill and command.

Lt. Lawson doesn't give the commands all the time. He contends that several of the nurses can shout out "Column right," "By the left flank" and "To the rear, March," with the best of army officers here. One of the crackerjack drillers is Nurse Lt. Elizabeth G. Melton, of Aubrey, Ark.

Commanding officer of this hospital unit is Lt. Col. Reuben A. MacBrayer, of Summit, N.J.

### Gas Mask Drill Doesn't Stop Work



During the daily gas drill at an Eighth Air Force station in England, every man carries on with his regular duties. Here, Cpl. John Cohara, Eau Claire, Wis., and Sgt. Earl H. Wendt, Sarasota, Fla., repair a damaged Fort wearing their masks.

### American Airmen Win Awards For Bravery in Middle East

CAIRO, June 15 (AP)—Fourteen U.S. fliers, members of a heavy bombardment group, were decorated at an American Middle East air base by Maj. Gen. Lewis H. Brereton. The Silver Star was awarded to Col. John R. ("Killer") Kane, of Shreveport, La., group commander, and Maj. William C. Jones, of San Antonio, Tex. 1/Lt. Wilbur E. Bryant, of Wilmington, N.C. received the Soldiers Medal.

The following officers and enlisted men were awarded the DFC in recognition of their achievement "while participating in an aerial flight against the enemy": Lt. Jack W. Kaboth, Midland, Tex.; Lt. John S. Young, Dallas, Tex.; S/Sgt. Earl L. Wagner, Jersey Shore, Va.; S/Sgt. Henry O. English, Oglethorpe, Ga.; S/Sgt. William J. Fay, Minneapolis, Minn.; T/Sgt. Robert L. Baird, Houston, Miss.; Sgt. Ray M. Baity Jr., Wilmington, Del.; Sgt. Henry J. Klapperich, Portland, Ore.; Harry L. Kaminske, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Sgt. Joseph J. Fasano, Long Island, N.Y.; and Charles A. Lawson, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Col. Kane won the Silver Star "for gallantry in action on a bombing mission Sept. 16, 1942, while serving as pilot of a four-engined bomber on a hazardous mission. His plane became separated from all other aircraft of his formation in making its second run on an important target. When separated, his aircraft was attacked by an enemy pursuit ship from the rear. Although the tail and top turret of the bomber became inoperative, Kane successfully outmaneuvered the attacking Me110 through eight different attacks, so as to force the enemy to exhaust all his ammunition and eventually break off the attack without any appreciable damage being suffered by the bomber."

Maj. Jones received the Silver Star for gallantry in action Jan. 1, 1943. Jones's four-engined bomber had completed a successful mission, and was attacked while making a landing at an advanced American air base. Ignoring the enemy strafing, Jones calmly taxied the plane in. The citation said: "His actions exemplified the highest standards of gallantry through his personal bravery and coolness under fire, over and above the call of duty."

#### DFC for Hurley

CAIRO, June 15—"For meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights in furtherance of the war effort," Brig. Gen. Patrick Hurley, formerly U.S. Minister to New Zealand, was awarded the DFC by Maj. Gen. Lewis H. Brereton, U.S. commander in the Middle East.

The recognition was given to Gen. Hurley because he flew on repeated flights, with no thought for his own safety, from the U.S. to and in the South Pacific, Middle East, Far East and Russia. cult missions was flying with a million dollars in gold in a canvas bag. He ranged the Australian coast buying up fishing boats which were used in a desperate attempt to break the Japanese blockade in the Philippines and get supplies to Gen. MacArthur.

Two out of every three of these ships were sunk, but the third got through with supplies which helped to make a heroic stand possible.

#### NEWS FROM HOME

### AFL President Requests Veto Of Strike Bill

#### Green Terms Measure 'Fascist' In Appeal To Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, June 15 (AP)—William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, has appealed to President Roosevelt to veto the anti-strike bill. He declared that it was "Fascist in character."

The bill was passed overwhelmingly by Congress last week and has reached the President's desk.

The Department of Interior announced today that America's coal production fell 10,105,000 tons the week ending June 5 as a result of the United Mine Workers strike.

Negotiations between the union and the Pennsylvania operators has reached a deadlock, with the miners refusing to grant the operators indemnification against suits for extra pay in case travel time from portal to portal exceeds the 60-minute-average travel time upon which the \$1.30 portal pay is based.

#### 70-Mile Signal Light

BLOOMFIELD, N.J., June 15—A walnut-sized spotlight designed to fit on a band worn around the head of a marooned airman is now being manufactured by the Westinghouse plant here. The light has a range of 70 miles.

#### Union Pledges Cooperation

NEW YORK, June 15—The annual convention of the CIO Textile Workers' Union, representing 4,000,000 workers, in a message to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, pledged that they would redouble their war efforts to help insure a speedy Axis defeat.

### Captives Taken Off Pantellaria

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surrender. He gave the order after Adm. Pavesi, the governor, reported that the island could no longer endure the bombing and that there was no hope of holding out since they were without food and water.

Mussolini instructed the governor to surrender "for the sake of the civilian population" and Pavesi signed the ceasefire order after he had conferred for an hour with the commander of the landing forces. He then became military governor of the island on behalf of the Allies.

The civilian population is gradually emerging from deep caves, where for months they had been living in the most primitive conditions. Many were to be seen in miserable groups, mutely gazing at piles of pulverized rubble which once represented their neat homes. Others poked about among the ruins, searching for pathetic little possessions—dresses, photos, handkerchiefs, or, by a miracle, not too badly smashed pieces of furniture. (A final scrutiny disclosed, the Associated Press said, that civilian casualties from the Allied bombings were very light. After the first raids the population abandoned the town and went to caves on the volcanic mountain sides.)

It is only by a systematic tour of this tiny island—impossible in any but a tracked vehicle—that one is able to gain some idea of the savagery of the Allied air assault. Scarcely a square yard does not show signs of bombing or shelling.

Coastal guns, most of them dated 1917, lie sprawled in grotesque angles, their concrete emplacements ripped and split by the destructive bomb blast. Pillboxes, some of which received direct hits and split from top to bottom, offer remarkable tribute to the accuracy and efficacy of the naval gunnery.

While this correspondent was completing his tour of the island on foot, owing to the breakdown of his Bren carrier, nearly 300 Italians, including many naval, army and air force officers, surrendered to him personally. He escorted them into the town of Pantellaria.

#### Truck Unit Makes Grade

HQ, EIGHTH AIR SERVICE COMMAND, June 15—The QM Truck Co., Avn., commanded by 1/Lt. Willard Lowery, has reached its goal in the National Service Life Insurance drive. Every officer and enlisted man in the outfit has taken out the maximum insurance policy.

