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Allies Blast Axis Ships And Troops

Allied Infantry Captures Heights Overlooking Tunis Plain

ALLIED HQ, North Africa, Apr. 18 (AP)-The Allies waged a war of attrition on Rommel today, damaging or sinking six ships and destroying 42 Axis aircraft, while land activity was confined to patrols in northern Tunisia.

Royal Navy planes and American Flying Fortresses combined in attacks on Rommel's sea lanes, with Navy motor torpedo-boats and torpedo planes torpedoing two ships of an Axis convoy off Tunisia, while Fortresses scored direct hits on four ships in Palermo harbor.

Allied air activity, both night and day, was intense, with Wellingtons hitting Bizerta at night and RAF and American medium bombers waging a ceaseless onslaught on the Luftwaffe's Tunisian

The best that the Luftwarfe could do was to strike a feeble blow at Algiers in a brief night raid, killing 15 nuns in a convent and injuring several others.

Royal Navy torpedo boats, operating right off the Gulf of Tunis night before last, sighted a German convoy of supply ships escorted by destroyers. The torpedo boats burst through the destroyer screen atid sank one merchantman, Royal Navy dive-bombers and torpedo boats then attacked the convoy, aided by flares, scoring direct hits with a torpedo on a tanker.

Allies Control Heights

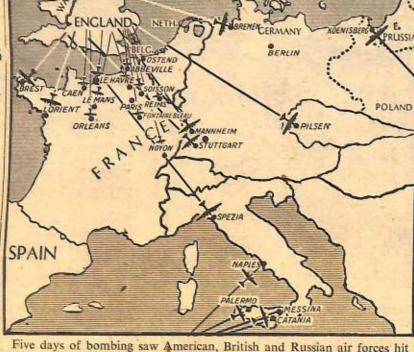
Attacking in darkness and early dawn up steep green slopes, Allied infantry, supported by massed artillery, yesterday recaptured all the heights temporarily lost in this area to Nazi counter-attacks. The new success gave the Allies a string

of peaks cutting across the mountain range parallel to the Medjez El Bab-Tebourba road

A night and day's fighting re-established the British troops on top of the hills called Bou Diss and Tanngoucha, each of which was heavily counter-attacked by the Germans the day before. With the Allies within 25 miles, on a direct line, from Tunis in this sector the Nazis con-tested each foot of the territory. The German command has heavily fortified the perimeter on which the line has momentarily become fixed, and there was ensure indication that the terth

has momentarily become fixed, and there was every indication that the battle from now on would be a matter of "eating away" these points of resistance. The fortified hills must be blasted by bombs and artillery and then occupied by plod-ding infantry, who, as the war goes on, are becoming war more the course of are becoming even more the centre of the great fighting machine.

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Where the Allied Air Forces Struck

Five days of bombing saw American, British and Russian air forces hit these Axis targets. Heaviest raids were at Pilsen, Mannheim, Spezia and Stuttgart by the RAF, and Lorient, Brest and Bremen by the Eighth Air Force. From North Africa the Allied bombers struck at targets in Italy and USAAF carried out smaller-scale attacks on targets in France.

Eisenhower Says Campaign In Africa Now at Its Climax

ALLIED HQ, North Africa, Apr. 18 (UP)—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Allied commander-in-chief in Africa, told a press conference here yesterday that operations in the African campaign had "worked out according to schedule" and the climax now had been reached.

Reviewing briefly the entire North Africa campaign, the general said that Tunisia was from the start the battlefield of the Allies' own choosing.

After the successful landings in November, the Allies decided to take the gamble of a thrust into Tunisia, but drew up short of taking Tunis and Bizerta because Axis aircraft at the time made that section of the Mediterranean " almost unbearable " for Allied shipping, he said.

Describes Americans' Part

Gen. Eisenhower said the American Second Corps had pinned down roughly 35,000 enemy combat troops during the offensive in the Gafsa-Maknassy area, enabling the Eighth Army to advance more rapidly. The enemy troops diverted, he said, included the 10th and 21st Panzer Divisions and at least a brigade of Mark Six tanks.

Second Corps troops, he said, had captured 4,608 prisoners and damaged or knocked out 69 tanks, of which 30 were definitely destroyed. They captured 150 field pieces, 150 machine-guns and a

PhotosShowBremen Plane Plant Blasted In USAAF Day Raid

RAF Attacks Skoda Armament Factories After Double American Blow At Lorient and Brest

The Allied air offensive from bases in Britain mounted to 132 consecutive hours-six days and five nights-yesterday as fighters and bombers streaked across the Channel in daylight attacks on Nazi targets.

As the hours of the sustained offensive-longest this year-piled up, reconnaissance flights brought back from the continent a picture of mounting destruction of German armament works, plane factories, communications and military centers, brought about in a series of day and night raids since Tuesday which included some of the heaviest attacks of the war.

Over the weekend, American Flying Fortresses and Liberators struck two heavy blows: at the Lorient and Brest sub bases on Friday, and at the Focke Wulf airplane factories in Bremen, Germany, on Saturday.

Believe Sternest

The RAF's biggest attack of the year struck the big Skoda arms works in Pilsen, Czechoslovakia, and munitions plants at Mannheim and Ludwigshafen, Germany, on Eriday nieht on Friday night.

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The Russian air force made it a three-Allies in Pacific Japs Aiming to Recapture Japs Aiming to Recapture

The RAF suffered its heaviest loss in one night, Friday, losing 37 bombers on the Pilsen mission, and 18 over Mannheim.

The Eighth Air Force lost 16 planes in the unescorted mission to Bremen, more than twice its previous highest loss for a single day. Seven bombers were lost at St. Nazaire Jan. 1, seven at Wilhelmshaven Feb. 26.

Wilhelmshaven Feb. 26. On the Bremen raid the Flying Fort-resses and Liberators reported "more than 50" enemy fighters shot down in the wildest aerial combat they had yet encountered in this theater. While RAF Ventures and Allied fighters took up the fray yesterday in daylight blows at Dieppe, and other forces were striking in the occupied countries, reconnaissance photographs showed the vast damage the Forts and Libs left when they flew away from Bremen Saturday afternoon. afternoon.

FW Plant Hard Hit

More than half the buildings of the plant which turns out the FW190s—the Luftwaffe's best fighters—have been destroyed or heavily damaged, according to a study of the photos. The two largest assembly shops were exceptionally hard hit, while blast damage is apparent across the entire feature area

hit, while blast damage is apparent across the entire factory area. One large hangar was entirely de-stroyed, and the firing range was wrecked. A boilerhouse and paint shop were severely damaged, while two showers of bombs hit buildings in the eastern half of the works.

All of New Guinea, **Report Says**

Test Coming for

Allies in Pacific

ALLIED HQ, Australia, Apr. 18 (UP) —Allied forces barring the Japanese route to Australia are likely to be faced with their sternest test of all during the coming few weeks, according to an informed source from Gen. Douglas MacArthur's headquarters. It is believed that a Japanese effort on a scale even larger than that beaten off during the battle of the Coral Sas is imminant. the Coral Sea is imminent.

Meanwhile, Allied bombers have attacked the Japanese base at Ambon, the most important island in the Molucca group of the Dutch East Indies, to counter an anticipated attack on Australia, today's official communicant care. today's official communique says.

Four Planes Down

Allied planes caused numerous explosions and started fires. Four Japanese planes were shot down and one was damaged when the attackers were inter-cepted by enemy fighters. The explanation in the communique that the raid was intended to counter an anticipated Japanese attack expected the

anticipated Japanese attack repeated the insistent warnings from Australia of an expected enemy offensive.

Attempts to reoccupy Port Moresby and to gain control of the whole of New Guinea are thought to be part of the plan.

" Italian occupation troops in Greece have been recalled and hurriedly sent back to Italy.")

Forts Hit Ferryville

In daylight, Flying Fortresses attacked the harbor at Ferryville, near Tunis, scoring hits on the docks, while another formation struck Palermo. Despite in-tense fighter opposition the Fortresses hit tense ingiter opposition the Fortresses hit three merchant vessels and tankers and a floating dry-dock. In fighting their way back, the Fortresses, with Lightning escort, shot down 17 German planes. Kittyhawks and Spitfires of the desert air force, sweeping the Gulf of Tunis, shot down five ME110s, one SM81 and a

MA202

Wellingtons and RAF Bisleys and French bombers, working as a team, bombed Sebala airdrome in northwest Tunisia and St. Marie Du Zit, American Mitchells completed the air activity by smashing explosives down on the Axis railway yards at Mateur.

Marauder's Bomb Hits Axis Plane in Mid-Air

ALLIED HQ, North Africa, Apr. 18 (UP)-A "million-to-one" bomb from a Marauder yesterday destroyed in mid-air a Messerschmitt 109 which came up to attack the bomber near Oudna airdrome, south of Tunis. The Marauder was one of a formation which attacked the airdrome

"He disintegrated in the air and in a flash he looked like a ball of fire," said the bombardier, Lt. David L. Payne, from Colorado,

The Germans have brought up heavy forces of bombing planes, with fighter pro-tection. During the last two days, Soviet dispatches from the front said, Red pilots have brought down 67 Axis planes with a loss of 30 of their own.

Bitter Kuban

Battle Rages

Infantry in Initial Stages,

Furious Aerial Combat

Costs Foe 67 Planes

MOSCOW, Apr. 18 (UP)—A bitter battle was raging in the Kuban area today where the Germans are trying to maintain their bridgehead against determined

The land fighting is still in its initial

stages as the Soviet troops use traditional methods of artillery preparation and tank

and infantry advances to nip off pill boxes and fortified strongholds.

Russian assaults.

Russians Take Hill

Indicative of the ferocity of the fighting was one minor engagement, described in a Russian communique today. For 36 hours Russian guns, men and tanks hammered at a fortified hill, finally capturing

it. As soon as the Germans had been cleaned out of the position they brought up fresh reserves and launched a counterattack with two regiments, supported by 50 tanks. Russian dispatches said the attack was unsuccessful and that the Red troops held the position.

In another region Russian advance units found German machine-gun nests every 100 yards along their defense line. The machine-guns were supported by contrete pill boxes. After Russian guns had poured shells into the area infantry went in and occupied parts of it. During the hand-to-hand fighting 600 Germans were killed.

Aside from the fighting in the Kuban the rest of the Russian front was quiet today.

Figures Show Increase Of Bomb Weight on Foe

CAPETOWN, Apr. 18 (AP)—Bomber Command, which dropped 45,000 tons of bombs on enemy territory last year, 37,000 of them on Germany, already this year has dropped 32,000 tons of bombs, 22,000 on Germany, Capt. Harold Bal-four, Under-Secretary of State for Air, said yesterday after he reached Capetown on a tour of inspection of South African air schools. air schools.

single enemy dump containing 45,000 mines and anti-personnel bombs.

Mines and anti-personner bonnes. Gen. Eisenhower placed American casualties in the Gafsa-Maknassy area fighting at 4,372 killed, wounded and missing, of which 859 were missing. American troops, he added, are "improving in quality and quantity daily. By the end of this campaign we are going to have a superh fighting machine trained to have a superb fighting machine trained in actual warfare against the best the enemy has to offer."

In reviewing the campaign, Gen. Eisenhower said that when it was decided to strike eastward from Algeria " the British gave a perfect example of bold, dashing offensive with light forces when they sent their groups far to the east.

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The destruction of the fifth convoy which has attempted to bring reinforcements to the Japanese forces still in New Guinea is now known to have been completed.

Four Ships Sunk

Four out of the nine ships comprising the remaining five turned back for their base after a terrific pounding, during which Allied planes swept in at mast height.

One of the ships was sunk, a second was seen settling in the water after the attack. A third was beached, while a fourth was lifted completely out of the water by a great internal explosion. When last seen that ship was listing and settling in the water with its rudder exposed, the communique said.

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vital section of the plant, was struck by a concentration of bombs.

a concentration of bombs. The value set by the Nazis on the Bremen plant, the parent works of the Focke Wulfe company, and the most im-portant assembler of FW190s, was shown by the intense defensive action of the Luftwaffe and flak batteries.

The American crews, who have battled The American crews, who have battled FWs for months in daylight raids over the continent, said they had been "look-ing forward to the day when we could get a crack at that FW factory." Veteran crewmen of the American bombers said the flak looked "like a big storm cloud floating over the target." Nearly every type of Nazi fighter was

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U.S. Civilians Must Wait **Till '44 For Synthetic Tire**

WASHINGTON, Apr. 18—The Army will get practically all of the new syn-thetic rubber automobile tires, now being produced, and it will be the end of 1943 at least before the great bulk of America's passenger car drivers will be able to buy them, the Office of War Information said today today.

today. A small quantity of synthetic rubber tires may be available for essential civilian driving — doctors, war workers and Government officials—but how many is still an open question. The summary was compiled following testimony by Rubber Director William M. Jeffers, before a Senate Committee, in which he said that on Apr. 8 we had 7,000,000 tires on hand. The country will need another 5,000,000,000 tires of synthetic rubber for normal use. rubber for normal use.

Germany Is Unable to Foresee Future Now, Goebbels Admits

A surprisingly frank admission that the German Government could not foresee the future at this point is made by Pro-paganda Minister Goebbels in his weekly article in Das Reich.

"We can no longer turn back, or even hesitate," he wrote. "We were always in favor of frankness as regards the pre-sentation of the military situation to our people, as well as to world opinion. We are no friends of swindles which are later refuted by developments. A policy of bluff which could still be practised during a world war has, in our opinion, com-pletely lost its effect in this war. This is because the people, the German people in particular, have reached a high standard of political maturity.

"One must, however, concede the right of the Government to make a mistake. No one could have foreseen how this war was going to go. Two years ago one could still speak of a war of some peoples fighting against some great powers. Nowadays there is no question of any-thing but war between whole continents. The lives and existence of the peoples involved in this war are at stake. As a result, the direction of the war has itself become progressively severe. The people which is first to adapt itself to reality will be best off. In 1918 the greatest mis-fortune of the German people was its straightforward abdication. If Germany failed a second time now it would mean perdition."

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AerialOffensive Tunisia Corner Where Battle Enters Last Stage **HitsWarPlants** In Nazi Cities

Germany Under Assault From Britain for 142 **Consecutive Hours**

(Continued from page 1) encountered, including FW 190s, 110s, ME210s and JU88s.

Trying to win through by sheer force of numbers the fighters kept boring in. "You've beard of throwing everything but the kitchen sink. Well they threw the kitchen sink today, and the cook stove to boot," said 1/Lt. John T. Lamberson, of Straughn, Ind., co-pilot of a bomber.

The raid on Lorient and Brest, Friday, cost four U.S, bombers and two fighters.

A number of enemy aircraft were destroyed by bombers, but the official total has not been announced pending complete assessment of claims.

Bursts were observed in both target areas

Heavy destruction caused in previous raids by RAF and USAAF bombers has reduced greatly the value of these bases to the enemy, according to reconnaissance photos. However, the crippled facilities of Lorient and Brest are still being utilized by the undersea fleets.

Important Bases

Lorient and Brest serve both the Atlantic and Mediterranean U-boat packs. Atlantic and Mediterranean U-boat packs. Friday's raid was the third dual attack delivered in daylight by American heavy bombers on Brest and Lorient. Both submarine nests have been consistent targets for the Americans since early last winter. Brest had been bombed four times previously and Lorient five times by Liberators and Fortresses. In addition to their normal naval

In addition to their normal naval installations, Brest and Lorient have concrete-roofed pens in which submarines are docked for repair and refitting. Lorient proper has been bombed so desperately that its civilian population has been evacuated. been evacuated.

A formation of B17s, led by Maj. Haley W. Aycock, of Fort Worth, Tex., reported encountering two or three squadrons of yellow-nosed FW as they crossed the French coast.

"The enemy fighters, all good and experienced pilots, took no chances but were determined," Maj. Aycock reported. "They harassed the formation all the way into the target and back to the coast. It was excellent weather and perfect visibility over the target."

RAF Strikes Deep

After the double blow of the four-engined American bombers in daylight Friday, the RAF carried the assault deep into enemy territory with its Pilsen raid, where it hit the Skoda works, second in size only to the Krupps at Essen. With the attacks on Mannheim and Ludwigs-haven, the night's bombing amounted to more than 1,500 tons, dropped by a force of more than 600 bombers. Losses were high but it was pointed out that ther high, but it was pointed out that they' were well under 10 per cent, generally considered the safe margin for repeated attacks.

The Pilsen force was the largest to penetrate so deeply into enemy territory in this war.

Starting with daylight sweeps and light bomber raids against France, Belgium and Holland in daylight Tuesday, the offensive built up through a heavy Tues-day night blow by the RAF at Spezia, Italian naval base, and more day sweeps Wednesday Wednesday.

Wednesday night the RAF went in force to Stuttgart, blasting munitions plants and transportation centers. Thurs-day the day sweeps were on again, with Allied fighters or bombers striking across



Here is the scene of the Tunisia battleground where Allied forces are regrouping for the final drive to wipe out the Axis forces. Nearly 210,000 Axis troops are concentrated in the area on top of the dotted line. The

Daily Express Map Eighth Army have forward patrols at Enfidaville. American, British and French are pressing from all other sectors. The Royal Navy is taking a heavy toll of shipping all along the Tunisian coast.

To Hold Seders Eisenhower Says Campaign **Gable in ETO** For ETO Troops In Africa Now at Its Climax As Air Gunner

Jewish Soldiers Asked **To London Centers** For Holidays

American soldiers of lewish faith in the London area have been invited to attend communal seders at the new London Jewish Center for the forces, 41 Portland Place, during the Passover seders which began yesterday. Some have been invited to private homes.

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homes. Orthodox: New West End Synagogue, 10 St. Petersburgh Place, Bayswater, W.2. Apr. 20, 21, 26 and 27 at 10.15 AM. Reform: West London Synagogue, 34 Upper Berkeley St., W.1. Apr. 20 and 26 at 11 AM. Liberal: Liberal Jewish Synagogue, 28 St. John's Wood Road, N.W.8. Apr. 20 at 10.15 and 11.30 AM. The traditional Easter sunrise service

at 10.15 and 11.30 AM. The traditional Easter sunrise service which American troops will hold in Hyde Park on Sunday, Apr. 25, at 6.45 AM, will be followed at 4.45 PM by a vesper service at St. Paul's Cathedral. Another outdoor service is planned for 8 AM at Clifton College, Clifton, Bristol, for troops in that area, and a field service will be held at a large Army Ground Force installation.

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gave the Allies the airfields they needed in and close to Tunicia. "Looking back on the North African campaign, people perhaps know the situation as it exists today, when we have forward air bases with definite air superiority, and not the situation which existed last November," the general said. "It was only when naval convoys and ships were given adequate air cover that the picture began to change rapidly." Gen. Eisenhower repeatedly praised the role of the air forces. Since the Mareth battle opened, he said, 479 Axis aircraft had been destroyed for the loss of 157 Allied planes. Scores more were destroyed or badly damaged on the ground.

Allied planes. Scores more were destroyed or badly damaged on the ground. He cited Apr. 10 as an example of the work of the joint British-American air power. Allied planes that day destroyed 63 enemy planes in combat, including a large number of transport planes, sank an Italian heavy cruiser, badly damaged another and poured round after round of bombs and strafing fire on enemy troops and transports. Only three Allied planes were lost that day, he said. Praising the joint efforts of the air forces and the Navy, the general cited an

" The first phase of our offensive opera-"The first phase of our ollensive opera-tions has been brought to a successful conclusion. The main task I gave to the Second U.S. Corps was, firstly, to cap-ture and secure Gafsa as an administrative base for the Eighth Army, and, secondly, to threaten Rommel's rear from Gafsa and Maknassy, to draw off reserves from the Eighth Army thereby helping them to

and Maknassy, to draw off reserves from the Eighth Army thereby helping them to break north of the Mareth Line and join hands with U.S. troops. "This task has been most successfully done by the Second Corps and has been a battle-winning factor in recent fighting. I wish to convey to General Paton and his staff and his troops my gratitude and thanks for their loyal support and active cooperation in the part they played in this great victory. "Hard fighting still lies ahead of us before we throw the enemy out of North Africa, but the united effort of the three Allies will make the result certain. Good luck to you all."

Ex-FilmStar,NowCaptain, At Bomber Station; Duty Not Yet Determined

A U.S. BOMBER STATION, Eng-land, Apr. 18—Clark Gable, 42, pre-war film star, now a captain in the Air Corps, has arrived here from the States for duty.

"It feels a lot better to get into a theater of action," Capt. Gable stated. It isn't definite yet what his duties will be, it was explained. He has been specializ-ing in gunnery since he enlisted in the array as a private last August army as a private last August.



Capt. Clark Gable

Combat crews that have arrived in England recently from the same field at which Capt. Gable was stationed in the States have verified reports that he was acting as tail gunner on a Fort-ress, presumably to get practical target experience so that he could teach air gunnery to other per-sonnel.

Capt. Clark Gable Gable entered the Officers' Training School at Miami immediately after his enlistment, and was automatically pro-moted to the rank of corporal as an OCS student student. He roomed with Sgt. Hyman Grossman. He was commissioned as a second lieu-tenant Oct. 28. He served for a short time at Tyndall Field, Fla., after he was commissioned, and was later sent to a mid-west station.

the Channel most of the time.

Thursday night fighters intruded the length of the Channel coastline, and re-newed the assault Friday morning. Bombers and fighters together swept against a chemical works at Ostend, ship-ping and oil tanks at Le Havre, rail centers at Haarlem and the Le Havre ainfield Friday in daylight, while the USAAF was hitting Lorient and Brest.

German activity over Britain was largely confined to fighter-bomber sweeps against coastal points, although London had two alerts, during one of which a few planes penetrated inland and dropped bombs. Four of 15 FW fighter-bombers which raided East Anglia and the south-east Friday night were shot down, the Air Ministry reported.

Ohio State, Ga. Tech. VMI, Auburn Alumni

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The Stars and Stripes Alumni Secretary this week requests data from former students of Ohio State, Georgia Tech, VMI, Auburn and the College of Puget Sound.

Alumni of these colleges are requested to send their name, rank, unit, APO number and class year to " Alumni Secretary," The Stars and Stripes, Printing House Square, London, E.C.4.

Information is still desired on former students of colleges previously listed: Lehigh, Clemson, M.LT., Princeton, Minnepota, Washington, Iowa State, Harvard, Texas A and M and Southern California.

Driver for Headquarters

Naval Officer Marries

Miss Marjorie Clements, of London, a civilian driver for U.S. Navy head-quarters, was married to Lt. Henry guarters, was married to Lt. Henry Dolstra, USNR, of Wilmar, Cal., Satur-day, at St. Mark's Church, North Audley Street, London. High ranking naval officers, including Adm. Harold R. Stark. commander of the U.S. Naval Forces in

Europe, attended the wedding. Lt, Comdr. T. H. Morton, USN, was best man and Mrs. Dora Latrobe-Bate-man, head of the motor corps staff, was matron of honor. Over 100 guests attended a reception at Claridges after the ceremony the ceremony.

Negro Red Cross Worker Will Sing Spirituals

Mrs. Margaret Sims, of Jacksonville, Fla., first Negro woman to volunteer for Red Cross overseas duty in this war, will give a lunch-time concert of spirituals at Dorland Hall, Lower Regent St., at 1 PM tomorrow, as a part of the exhibition, "America Marches."

On Wednesday, at the same time, a quartette from one of the Negro regi-ments now serving in the ETO will appear. Admission to the concerts is free.

Michigan Head For Land Army

WASHINGTON, Apr. 18-Miss Flor-ence Hall, a native of Port Austin, Mich., and a graduate of Michigan Agricultural College and of Columbia University, New York, has been named to head Women's Land Army activities in the Extension Service, it was announced here yesterday. She'll be llargely responsible for the women's part of the U.S. Crop Corps.

Bombers' 'Box Score' Proves Battle Prowess of U.S. Planes

WASHINGTON, Apr. 18—Armed ith devastating fire power, six bombard-tent groups of the U.S. Army Air Forces ave shot down 558 enemy airplanes while aversing out hundreds of successful miswith devastating fire power, six bombardment groups of the U.S. Army Air Forces have shot down 558 enemy airplanes while carrying out hundreds of successful mis-sions of destruction in the European and Southwest Pacific theaters of operations, the War Department announced today. The figures, compiled last week, did not include the most recent raids in the European and other theaters

Most of the missions have been carried out without fighter escort. Operations by three of the groups have been against the Japanese; the others against the best fighter opposition of the German air force, supplemented by some Italian fighters. The combat box score for the groups follows:

Group		Area	Ph	Planes Shot Down			
9th		Southwest Pacific	-	121			
43rd		Southwest Pacific		. 112			
91st		European		102			
22nd		Southwest Pacific		. 90			
306th		European		. 68			
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The ratio of planes shot down by these groups compared to those lost by them in aerial combat has been overwhelm-ingly favorable to the Army Air Forces. Their successes as offensive weapons on

The 43rd group has blasted the Japanese The 43rd group has blasted the Japanese relentlessly since it began operations in the southwest area. Many of the mis-sions of this group were carried out over great distances. Virtually every type of Japanese plane in the area has felt the deadly fire power of their guns. Col. Robert M. Ramey is commander.

The American assault against Germanoccupied territory in Europe was opened by the 91st group. Since then the group has made many destructive attacks against has made many destructive attacks against the German targets in France, the Nether-lands and Germany. Most of the 102 planes shot down by this group have been either German Focke-Wulfs or Messer-schmitt 109s. The commander is Col. Stanley T. Wray. The 306th group, operating from bases in England, has smashed some of the most concentrated fighter opposition in the history of aerial warfare en route to and from objectives in German territory

and from objectives in German territory and has caused great damage to German installations on every raid, the War De-partment said. Commanding officer is Lt. Col. Charles Marion.

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It was estimated that Gable made \$356,000 in 1941 when he was listed in the first five Hollywood money-winners. His overseas flying pay as a captain is \$320 a month.

If Capt. Gable goes on an operational flight over enemy territory he will have achieved his announced ambition: "I want to be a machine-gunner where the going is really hot," which he was reported to have said when he enlisted last August.

Six Road Shows Touring ETO Areas This Week

Six road shows are touring the ETO this week, sent out by the theatrical and cinema division of Special Service.

"Gals, Guys and Giggles" will be playing in the Norfolkshire area, "Yvette and Her GI Gang" will be in the Wilt-shire and Somersetshire areas, "Pickle Dillies" will be in the Bedfordshire and Northamptonshire areas, "In the Groove" will be in the Cheshire area, "Tons of Fun" will be in Wiltshire and Berkshire, and "Show Time" will con-tinue its tour of Northern Ireland.

Belfast Bridge Winners

BELFAST, Apr. 18—Winners in the weekly bridge tournament at the Red Gross club here were T/4 Hazen V. John-son, of Newport, Vt., with a score of 4,150, and Sgt. David Bach, of St. Paul, with 3,340.

ARC Centers In London,

Other Cities, State Programs

Rainbow Corner: Movies

nights are on the program at Rainbow Corner this week. At 8 o'clock tonight, Ben Oakley and his Pioneers will play for dancing. Tomorrow the club is holding an "open house" from 3 to 5 PM, followed by a card of boxing bouts at 7.30 PM. Wednesday the club plans a show at 8.45 PM called "Yanks Night Out." Another "open house" is scheduled for Thursday afternoon and, at 7.30 PM, the Blackfriars Society will present "Saloon Bar." Friday night the club will hold a dance, and Saturday there will be an "open house" in the Rainbow Room, and continuous movies from 2.30 to 10 PM.

Mostyn Club: Florida

Men to Meet Tonight

Doughty.

Saturday.

Men from Florida meet at 7.15 tonight at the Mostyn club, At 8.15 there will be a concert followed at 9 by a dancing class, instructed by Harry Doubly

Doughty. A chess match between the Washington and Mostyn clubs and the —th Engineers will be held at 8 PM Wednesday. A "Chicken wing " square dance will be held at 8.30 PM Thursday and a " Bunnie hop " dance and cabaret will be held from 8 to 11 PM on Saturday.

Manchester Club:

Set 5 Cage Games

Charles Club: Music

Bournemouth: Concert

On Easter Sunday

Recital Tonight

Dances, 'Open House' Dances, movies and "open house" nights are on the program at Rainbow THE STARS AND STRIPES

Describes U.S. Raid Clubs Clan

aried Week **Of Festivities**



Mlle. Lucienne

French Girl Who Escaped Tells of Bomb Hits **On Nazi Train**

Two German military trains received direct hits during one American raid on Nazi targets at Rennes, France, according to a slender, smiling 28-year-old French nurse who arrived in London after

The French nurse is Mlle, Lucienne-

Mlle. Lucienne joined the Fighting MANCHESTER, Apr. 18—Five basket-ball games will be played this week at the American Red Cross Ann St. Club here. Tonight's game will be played at 7.00 and on Tuesday and Thursday double-headers will be played at 7.00 PM. The finale of a table-tennis tournament

escaping from France last week.

her family name is kept secret because her folks are still in France. She told authorities that one of the trains at Rennes was a leave train for troops; the other carried ammunition and men.

French forces immediately after her arrival in London. She said she had escaped from France after receiving a special message broadcast to her by BBC.

To USNR OCS

headers will be played at 7.00 PM. The finals of a table-tennis tournament will be held at 7.30 PM Wednesday. A smoker at 11.00 PM on Saturday and a tea dance from 3.00 to 8.00 PM on Sunday round out the week's program. At the Lever St. Club in Manchester there will be two dances; a square dance at 7.30 PM Wednesday and at 3.00 PM Sunday, and a cabaret night at 7.00 Saturday. Six enlisted men from U.S. Navy units in the ETO have been selected for officer training in American universities. They are the first Navy men picked for the commissioning course from the European

command. One of the candidates, Allen J. Curtis, Y3c, USNR, never has been in the United States. He enlisted in London last October. His father, a former Navy man, The Charles St, club, London, is offer-ing a program of music tonight, movies tomorrow and a "Games Night" on Wednesday with a ping pong tournament, bridge and other games available. From 7 to 11 PM Thursday the club will hold a dinner-dance and cabaret with music by an Army swing band, "The Southerners." Another dinner-dance, from 7 to 11 PM, is scheduled for Satur-day under the tille "Illinois Night." woved to England during the last war to manage a manufacturing firm. Now 20 years old, Curtis is eager to set foot on American soil.

American soil. The others are Paul H. Puckett, 22, SK2c, USNR, Sterling, Ill.; William Dukin, 22, SM1c, USN, Omaha: Joseph C. Drilling, 20, FCM3c, USNR, Tulare, Cal.; Curtis P. Johnson, 18, FCM3c, USNR, Lynwood, Cal.; and Cecil M. Gadsden, 21, EM3c, USNR, Rapid City, S.D. Curtis and Puckett are assigned to London headquarters. Dukin, a veteran submarine man, now is aboard a surface vessel in the European command. The

vessel in the European command. The other three are stationed at the NOB,

other three are stationed at the NOB, Londonderry. Thirty-two applications were reviewed by a board of three naval officers before the final selection was made. The suc-cessful candidates will report to univer-sities in the States on July 1. Upon com-pletion of the course they will be com-missioned ensigns in the Naval Reserve.

Torpedoed Twice In Half a Day

Seaman Spent 11 Hours in Cold Seas After Liberty Ship, Destroyer Were Hit Successively

By Russell Jones Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

A NAVAL HOSPITAL, Britain, Apr. 18-Frank De Paola, S1c, 26, of Summitt, Ill., told the story here of how he had been torpedoed twice and spent 11 hours in the water within less than half a day. A torpedo struck De Paola's Liberty ship at 23.45 hours. One was enough

to do the job, and the ship listed heavily almost immediately. Even before the order was given to abandon ship men were launching lifeboats. De Paola, just coming from his watch at a forward gun, made one of the first. At 05.45 hours, the British destroyer Harvester paused in the chase and

picked up the survivors.

At 11.00 hours, a torpedo struck the Harvester. "It must have hit a magazine or something," De Paola said, "'cause the damn thing split almost in attacking submarines. Although a cor-

two." He was blown clear of the wreckage and far out in the water.

and far out in the water. "I was so far down that I thought I'd never come up." He surfaced just in time to see a second torpedo smash into the wreck of the destroyer, just below a life-boat that the sailors were trying to launch. Along with other sailors, De Paola floated for five hours, with only their "Mae West" life preservers to support them. Drifting near an injured British merchant marine, he supported him until within 75 feet of the rescuing ship when exhaustion forced him to release. "I think he was dead or dying but I never felt so bad about anything in my life," De Paola said, "I tried but I just couldn't hold him any longer." The ship that picked them up was the French corvette Aconit, which also

French corvette Aconit, which also avenged the loss of the Liberty ship and the Harvester by sinking two of the

'Chamber Music Society

Of Lower Basin St.'

Is Highlight

For the American listener who prefers his music on the jive side, BBC offers

more than 40 programs a week featuring

Britain's better bands and recorded offer-

ings of America's leading orchestras. Highlight of the week is " The Chamber

Music Society of Lower Basin Street," aired every Tuesday at 9.35 PM. This

week's line-up of artists include Helen Clare, Ike Hatch, Phil Green and his

Basin Street Band and his Rhythm on Reeds orchestra. The discussions are under the misguidance of "Professor"

Victor Silvester's orchestra head an hour show, the "BBC Dancing Club," every Wednesday at 7.30 PM. Another hour show is "Bandstand," holding the 8 PM spot on Saturdays and featuring a variety of singers and bands.

Topflight bands play for "Music While You Work," heard daily at 11.30 AM,

American orchestras can be heard on Rhythm on Records," a daily 7.30 AM

To round out the week's rhythm broad-casts, Geraldo plays Wednesday at 4.05 PM, Billy Cotton at noon on Satur-day and Jack Payne on Tuesday at 5 PM, Wednesday at 4.45 PM and Thursday at 11 AM.

Concern for Forces Won't End

With Peace, Bishop Assures

PM and 10.30 PM.

Joe Linnane.

broadcast.

attacking submarines. Although a cor-vette is outweighted many tons by a subwhere is outweighted many tons by a sub-marine, the Aconit rammed one when she couldn't bring her guns to bear and didn't have time to use depth charges. The Harvester had rammed a sub earlier in the day. Two subs that were identi-field as being destroyed for certain were the U-432 and the U-434.

Today, Frank De Paola is resting in a naval hospital, waiting for a torn knee-cap to mend. After that ? It's back to

He isn't being heroic about it. He admits he was "plenty scared " then and that he expects to be again, but he's mad. The memory of how " those bastards put that second torpedo into the lifeboat" is still vivid.

He isn't really a sailor. It was only nine months ago that he was working on a railroad in Summitt, Ill., and the nearest he had been to the sea was when he played



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Frank De Paola ball with the St. Augustine, Fla., "Saints." After a few months of train-ing in boot camp, he was made a gunner on a Liberty ship. This crossing was the first for both him and his ship, but he doesn't believe the disaster is a bad omen. On the contrary, he says, "A bad start means a good finish."

40 Swing Shows **Tomatoes and Onions** A Week on BBC Help Spam Problem

HQ SQDN, -nd BOMB WING, England, Apr. 18-S/Sgt. Herman Spigel, of Lynbrook, L.I., mess sergeant here, has his own solution to the spam problem.

He cuts it in half-inch cubes, covers it with a sauce of tomatoes, catsup and fried onions and then bakes the whole business. Sgt. Spigel's mess-hall "customers" say they like it better than roast chicken.

Army Perfects PneumoniaTest

The most serious illness that hit U.S. troops in the British Isles to any considerable extent during this past winter was a mild form of pneumonia, known technically as atypical pneumonia. Two cases proved fatal.

cases proved fatal. A test to distinguish the milder form of pneumonia from the more severe type has been developed by doctors of the Harvard Medical Unit, at an Army labora-tory in England. Little is known of atypical pneumonia except that it differs from the ordinary form in that it is thought to be caused by a virus doctors explained. The test for

form in that it is thought to be caused by a virus, doctors explained. The test for the pneumonia type is made by mixing blood serum from an afflicted body with perfect blood. The observed results ascertain the pneumonia type. It is believed that this method of differentiation will make study and investi-gation of the mild pneumonia form easier.

EasterPresents For 'Blitz Kids'

Orphans Receive Clothes, Bonds from Sponsors; Five More Aided

Two children who have been sponsored by American soldiers through The Stars and Stripes War Orphans Fund will have an Easter this year perhaps better than the last because the men who have become their foster uncles weren't content to make the original contribution and forget about it.

Michael M, will get new clothes, Michael M. Will get new clothes, presents and war bonds because the men of the —th Evacuation Hospital have collected £25 17s. for an Easter gift for him. And the men of —th Observation Squadron have sent £15 along with best wishes for a happy Easter to their "nicee," Marilyn G, Becket Sachald for accept of the

Robert Seabold, first sergeant of the squadron, said that the gift would be followed by others from time to time. Last week £100 was sent in by HQ, NID, WBS, with a request that an Ulster child be sponsored for the men of the SOS installations in Northern Ireland.

Company C of the --th Ordnance Battalion sponsored their fourth child by sending in £233. They now have two boys and two girls. The —th Observa-tion Squadron selected the young brother of their first orphan when they sent £100.

Contributions to the general fund have been received from HQ, EBS, £100; --st Signal Company, £15 14s. 10d.; and from the American Red Cross Washing-ton club, £5. The total contributions to the fund are now £20,481 9s. 11d.

A Navy Present for Mary June Mary June A. celebrated her 12th birthday last week, but her unofficial god-parents, the crew of a U.S. Navy combat vessel operating in European waters, were not informed in time to do justice to the occasion. When their ship returned to port, the sailors received word that the £100 which satisfy received word that the LIOU which they previously had contributed to The Stars and Stripes War Orphan Fund had been earmarked to aid Mary June, so they dug up an additional £19 and sent it to London with the request " that this money be used to buy her a somewhat late birthday present." Because the ship is now again at sea, it will be impossible for the American Red Cross to send the customary certificate of good will, but officials are planning to forward it to a port where it can be picked up later. "Please convey our best wishes to Mary June on her 12th birthday and express our hope that she is well and happy and has many, many happy returns of the day," a letter from the captain stated.

On Easter Sunday BOURNEMOUTH, Apr. 18—A band concert for Americans and townspeople will be held on the lawn of the Bourne-mouth Red Cross club, Easter Sunday. Dances will be held on Tuesday, Thurs-day and Saturday, and a variety show from London will play Friday night. Throughout the week, volley ball, bad-minton, horseshoes, softball and tennis may be played on the grounds. **N. Ireland MPs Praised** After Visit by Gen. Key

Send 6 Sailors

Games on Schedule

Milestone: Softball

Three softball games, to be held in Ken-sington Gardens, are being sponsored this week by the Milestone club. They will be held Monday, Tuesday and Friday at 10 AM. Horseshoe courts have also been built in Kensington Gardens and are available at any time.

Recorded concerts will be held at 10.30 PM Monday and Wednesday, the Mile-stone varieties will show at 11.30 PM Saturday.

Kettering: Dance **Classes Held Nightly**

KETTERING, Apr. 18-The American Red Cross Club at the Fuller Institute here is holding nightly dancing classes with Pvt. Earl Kage, of Rochester, N.Y.,

as the instructor. Non-dancing soldiers who prefer golf or tennis may engage in those sports, through arrangements the club has just made for the use of courts at a nearby park and for cards to the local golf club.

Bath: Open-Air **Band** Concert

BATH, Apr. 18—The all-soldier "Statesmen" band, under the direction of W/O Barnhart, of Sunbury, Pa., played at an open-air band concert today in the grounds of the American Red Cross club here

Cross club here. Tea dancing followed in the club Jounge. An invitation dance is scheduled to-

morrow at Bath Pump Room from 8 PM to 11 PM.

BELFAST, Apr. 18-Maj. Gen. Wil-liam S. Key, provost marshal, ETO, in-spected MPs here yesterday afternoon. spected MPs here yesterday attendon. He said that he found the men had "ex-cellent courtesy and discipline," and he was "highly pleased with their work." He was accompanied during the in-spection by Brig. Gen. Edmund Hill, commander of U.S. Forces in Northern Ireland, and Lt. Col Joseph C. Brewer, provost marshal in Northern Ireland.

1/Lt. Finley P. Cheshire, of Florence, S.C., is commander of the MP unit and is assisted by 2/Lt, Rupert Solne, of Sarasota, Fla., and S/Sgt. Alfred Fox, of Miami, Fla., acting 1st sergeant.

Blind 21 Years, Kansas **Girl Gains Her Sight**

CHICAGO, Apr. 18 (UP)-Blind from birth, Miss Ladean Sage, 21, of Man-hattan, Kan., has just gained her sight. Special glasses designed by a Kansas City specialist helped the girl after she noticed she could distinguish bright lights and shadows.

The first thing that struck her was how much larger people were than she had thought. When nurses held a mirror in thought. When nurses held a mirror in front of blonde, pretty Ladean, she re-marked: "So that's what has been walk-ing around all these years as me."

Oxford Club Will Move

OXFORD, Apr. 18-The American Red Cross club here will move next month to more spacious premises at the Claren-don Hotel, in the center of the city, the director, Harold Thomas, announced.

By Arthur W. White Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Bishop Adna Wright Leonard, chair-man of the General Commission of U.S. Army and Navy Chaplains, has arrived in London on the first lap of a journey which will take him to the battlefronts of four continents with a message for American soldiers from the folks back home.

The message is one of reassurance that when American soldiers overseas return home, they will find interest in their welfare maintained at the same pitch as it is today

In his tour, made at President Roose-velt's request, he will visit Protestant chaplains and soldiers in Britain, Africa,

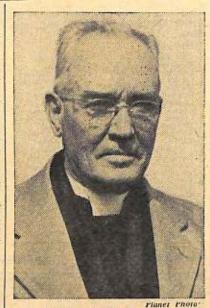
and probably India and China. "I want to acquaint our men with the vast preparations which are already being made for their return, and let them know that there will be employment waiting for them, as well as proper protection. "I want them to know that the church

is with them all the way in this gigantic struggle. "Never before has a nation been so

united behind its fighting men." The General Commission is backed by the Protestant churches of America, who, he said, represent 75 per cent of the nation's population.

Bishop Leonard said he would confer with Protestant chaplains on their work and the welfare of the men, and report back to the home church on their immediate needs.

"The churches are very anxious to pro-vide soldiers overseas with church literature, and if they are not receiving it they | ting on.



Bishop A. W. Leonard

should report to their chaplains," he said, "In turn the chaplains will report to the General Commission, and the latter will contact church bodies and overcome the difficulties." Bishop Leonard added that he will be pleased to write, on his return to the U.S., to the families of the men he meets and let their people know how they are not

let their people know how they are get-

Mary June's parents were killed in an air raid on Oct. 6, 1941. Her father served in the infantry in the World War and had been active in the Home Guard at the time of his death.

Soldier Entertainers at Party

-TH REPLACEMENT DEPOT, Apr. -TH REPLACEMENT DEPOT, Apr. 18-Pvt. Peter Buonconsiglio, former first violinist with the National Symphony Orchestra of New York, Pvt. William Weldon, a magician, and LAC Reginald Shaw, RAF pianist, entertained soldiers and other guests at a party given near here by Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Williams is know of their daughter. An American in honor of their daughters. An American soldier band played.

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SPORTS

THE STARS AND STRIPES

SPORTS

Monday, April 19, 1943

Fights Start This Thursday at Belfast Red Cross

Head Opening **Night Program**

Wrestling Also on Stars And Stripes Show In Ulster

By Paul Lange

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

BELFAST, Apr. 18-Fight programs for U.S. forces in Ulster will be inaugu-rated by The Stars and Stripes Athletic Committee at the Red Cross here Thursday night, April 22.

Five boxing bouts and two wrestling matches are scheduled for the opening card. The first bout will get under way at 8 PM with 1,000 seats available for members of the Army, Navy, Marines and technicians and technicians.

Among the fighters appearing in the show will be the recently crowned welter-weight champion of the U.S. Naval Base at Londonderry, Pvt. Joseph S. Domiter, 147-pound Marine from Bethlehem, Pa.

Russo One of Best

Kusso Une of Best Several other champions will be in-cluded among the leather swingers. They are 1/Sgt. Samuel Coggins, of Ashville, N.C., who won the Army lightweight championship in the Canal Zone in 1938; Pvt. Walt Wodarski, of Erie, Pa., who was a bantamweight titleholder in one of the Erie city tournaments, and Pvt. Jimmy Bryan, of San Antonio, Texas, who was Golden Glove welterweight champion of Texas in 1939 and Army welterweight champion at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, in 1940.

Three other mitt artists with consider-able experience are on the card. Cloyd Baker, of Los Angeles, a technician with Lockheed Overseas Corporation, has fought nearly a hundred fights, both amateur and professional. He is a light heavyweight. Clem Russo, SC2, of Philadelphia, also a light heavyweight, is one of the leading fighters in the U.S. Navy at Londonderry. Russo was about to turn professional when he joined the services. Three other mitt artists with considerservices

California Matman

Francis P. Loucka, CM3c, of Cleve-land, Ohio, a 160-pounder, has 21 amateur fights under his belt, including Golden Glore competition in 1938-39. He has won 17 of his 21 fights. Loucka is a member of the Sea Bees in Northern Ireland Ireland.

The show will be rounded out with Pvt. Cloyd Hamm, of Washington, 145, and Pvt. John Buhel, 142, of Elmont, N.Y., both Marines, and Pvt. Robert Bracke, 147.

One of the wrestlers slated to appear on the grant and groan portion of the program is Walter Watt, of Los Angeles,

program is waiter Wait, of Los Angeles, a technician, who shoved opponents around for three years at the University of California. Watt weighs 168. Brig. Gen. Edmund W. Hill, command-ing U.S. Forces in Northern Ireland, is ex-pected to present Stars and Stripes medals to the winners after the fights.

Division MPs Subdue Hq.

- DIVISION BASE, Apr. 18-Blasting home a six-run rally in the seventh inning the MP platoon scored a 12-7 victory over Headquarters Company, -th Infantry, here today.



Wins Two Tilts Franklin Again

Sports Club Over Week End

- DIVISION BASE, Apr. 18-The All-Star soccer team stretched its winning streak to four straight games by taking a double victory over the weekend.

In a hotly contested match yesterday on their home field, the All-Stars took the British Army Pioneers into camp to the tune of 6-0, while this afternoon the division eleven easily won over the Sports Club 7-3Club, 7-3.

Club, 7-3. Pfc Frank Warga, of Baltimore, opened the scoring for the home team when he booted home a penalty kick in the open-ing minutes. Maj. Edmund Beacham, of Baltimore, pushed the team further ahead when he scored 30 yards out. The Sports Club came back to whittle down the lead when Tubby Hawkins scored on a pass from Joseph Harvey. But Pvt. Charles Fleming put the All-Stars further ahead as he headed the ball into the uprights just before the half ended.

ended. Cpl. Walter Cuomo, of Baltimore, was the outstanding player for the All-Stars in the first game as he scored half of the team's points. Cuomo started his team mates rolling at the opening whistle as he whipped the ball past the goalie after five minutes of play. Pvt. Charles Fleming, also of Baltimore, scored twice during the contest, while Cpl. Charles Moxley, of Bel Air, Md., also tallied. the outstanding player for the All-Stars in tallied.

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Blondie

Down British Pioneers, Lee Comes Back in Eighth To Drop Chicago Boy In Surprise Finish

> CHICAGO, Apr. 18-Lee Savold, Patterson, N.J., heavyweight came from behind to score his second successive knockout over Lem Franklin, Chicago Negro here Frdiay night in the eighth round. The count concluded five seconds before the round ended. Three minutes later Franklin was still out cold.

later Franklin was still out cold. The fight started at a fast tempo with Franklin carrying the attack. He floored Savold twice and both times Savold bobbed up immediately and proceeded to stand toe to toe and slug with Franklin the remainder of the round. Savold's spunk won him the next three rounds as the initial viciousness of Frank-lin's attack wore off. At the start of the eighth, Franklin continued his two-fisted attack. Savold continued to back away. Then suddenly Savold seemed to gain unexpected energy and caught Franklin with a couple of savage body blows. When these softened up the Negro boy, Savold perked up and drove a right uppercut to Franklin's jaw. then finished him, to the utter amazement continued to back away. Then suddenly Savold seemed to gain unexpected energy and caught Franklin with a couple of savage body blows. When these softened up the Negro boy, Savold perked up and drove a right uppercut to Franklin's jaw. then finished him, to the utter amazement of the crowd, with a right cross to the jaw. Savold weighed 192, Franklin 201.

Hopes President Will **Throw Out First Ball**

WASHINGTON, Apr. 18-Clark Griffith, owner of the Washington Senators, has given President Roosevelt a pass to the American League baseball games this season and invited the President to toss out the first ball of the opening season when Washington plays the Philadelphia Athletics on the 20th.

Griffith said, " The President hopes he can come out. He's very much interested in what we are doing." Griffith also gave Mrs. Roosevelt a pass in a fully equipped leather purse.

Hugh Short Is A Solid Soldier Middle Distance Track Ace Has Hung Up Spikes For Duration .

CAMP LEE, Va., Apr. 18 (AP)—It's Private Hugh Short now. This season's newest middle-distance running sensation has hung up his spiked shoes and is con-centrating on becoming a solid soldier.

Shortly after he had tied the indoor record of 1:10.2 for 600 yards, the 21-year-old Hillside, N.J., boy was inducted into the U.S. Army.

He was sent to Camp Lee, where authorities told him that he, like other Camp Lee athletes, including the sprint champion Pvt. Barney Ewell, would be permitted to compete in the various indoor track meete track meets.

But Short said, "No." He was Private Short now, a soldier, and running would be forgotten enthusiasm until after the war.

Rather Run Than Eat

Kather Kun Than Eat Short's story is a hard-work-leads-to-success yarn. Poor eyesight kept him out of sports until he found that sturdy legs, a powerful set of lungs and a fierce deter-mination to win would carry him over the middle distance routes faster than practically anyone else. Hugh would rather run than eat. Once this stocky youth scraped the snow off the track on Georgetown University's hilltop in Washington, D.C.-just because he wanted to run. Hugh won the IC4A quarter mile event

wanted to run. Hugh won the IC4A quarter mile event last May (in 47.2 seconds), equalled the indoor mark of 1:10.2 for the famous Millrose 600, tied the track record of 1:11.8 in the 600 at the Boston A.A. games, and bowed out of collegiate com-petition to enter the Army by copping the Buermeyer 500-yard affair in New York's A.C. contests. He was voted the outstanding performer of the Millrose and Boston events.

Hardest Worker on Squad

Hardest Worker on Squad From the time he started running, Short has been known as the hardest-working man on his squad. "That boy," commented Graduate Manager Joe Gardner, "loves nothing better than work and competition." "He'd run his heart out to win a race with any of us during a practice," said a teammate.

a teammate.

All - Star Tilt **Gave Hubbell Most Thrills**

Striking Out Ruth, Gehrig Foxx Was Carl's **Greatest Day**

By John Carmichael

Chicago News Sports Writer This is the first of a series of interviews of base-ball stars describing their biggest days in baseball. NEW YORK, Apr. 18-" King Carl " Hubbell won over 20 games in five consecutive years and is still in there pitch-

ing. "I can remember Frankie Frisch coming off the field behind me at the end of the third inning and grunting to Bill Terry, 'I could play second base for 15 more years behind that guy. He doesn't need help. He does it all him-self.' Then Gabby Hartnett took off his mask and yelled toward the American League dugout, ' We gotta' look at that all season.' I was pretty happy.

"That was during the 1934 All-Star game when I fanned Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and Jimmy Foxx in a row.

No Weaknesses

No Weaknesses "Before this All-Star game at the Polo Grounds at New York, Hartnett and I reviewed the lineup—Gehringer, Manush, Ruth, Gehrig, Foxx, Simmons, Cronin and Gomez. We couldn't discuss weak-nesses—they didn't have any except Gomez. I could bear down since I was pitching only three innings. Anyway, it wouldn't have been much of a disgrace if they got a few hits off me or even a home run. I wouldn't be the first pitcher to be hit by Ruth, Gehrig and the rest.

home run. I wouldn't be the first pitcher to be hit by Ruth, Gehrig and the rest. "They talk about those All-Star games as being exhibitions, but I've seen very few players who didn't want to win no matter whom they were playing or what for. If I'm playing cards for pennies, I want to win. How can you feel any other way? "Well Gebringer way first up and

"Well, Gehringer was first up and Hartnett called for a waist ball so I could get the feel of the first pitch. It was a little too close and Charley singled. Then I walked the next man, Manush. I could hear the voices from the stands yelling 'take him out.'

Babe Didn't Believe It

" Well, I could imagine how people felt "Well, I could imagine how people felt with two on and nobody out and Babe Ruth batting. Striking out the Babe was the last thought in my mind. The thing was to make him hit on the ground, but he did not take his bat off his shoulder. You could have pushed me over with your little finger. I fed him three straight screwballs over the plate after wasting a fast ball. When the umpire shouted to call him out, the Babe didn't believe it. "So up came Gehrig. He was a sharp

"So up came Gehrig. He was a sharp hitter. Fanning Ruth and Gehrig in suc-cession was too big an order, but, by golly, Lou fanned on four pitches. He swung at the last screwball, and you should have heard that crowd.

Hear Him Puff

"I felt easier then, even when Gehringer and Manush pulled off a double steal with Foxx up. I poured four screwballs over and Foxx went down

doubte steah with Poxx up. 1 poured four screwballs over and Foxx went down swinging. "The second inning was much easier because Simmons and Cronin both fanned with nobody on base. Then I got too close to Bill Dickey, who singled. Next was 'Goofy' Gomez. As he entered the box, Lefty looked at Hartnett, and said, 'You are now looking at a man with a .104 batting average. What in hell am I doing here ?' He was casy after those other guys. "Well, things went all right until the third inning—Ruth hit one on the ground, but we were still all right. You could hear him puff when he swung. Three inn-ings was all for me. Afterwards the American Leaguers got six runs in the fifth inning, beating us, 9—7, but for three innings I had the greatest day of my life."

Behind the seven-hit pitching of Pfc John Thompson, of Springfield, Mass., the MPs came from behind as they touched S/Sgt. John Ellis, of Roanoke, Va for the blanches Va., for ten blows.

Cpl. George Montroni, of Hoboken, J., poled out a home run in the fourth NJ Thompson was the hitting star of the game, getting a triple, double and a single in four trips to the plate.

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Softball, Skeet Shooting **On Air Force Program**

A BOMBER STATION, Apr. 18-With the arrival of Spring, outdoor activities at this base swung into action this week

Under the direction of Captain Jess O. Hay, of Toledo, Ohio, Special Services Officer, ten softball teams were formed and a league organized. Schedules were drawn up and the opening game is to be

played this week. Beside the softball games, other activities are planned and arrangements are now being made for the use of nearby golf courses. A skeet shooting tournament is also planned.

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Warga	RH	Goddard
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Fleming	CF	Jeanes
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Exhibition Baseball Games

CHICAGO-Rookie Dick Culler, third baseman, stole home in the ninth third baseman, stole home in the ninth inning enabling the Chicago White Sox to defeat the Cubs, 6-5, and even their city series. The Cubs took an early 5-0 lead, but the Sox knotted the count in the fifth and sixth innings. Joe Kuhel, Sox first baseman, led the hitting attack with three singles. . . ST. LOUIS-The St. Louis Browns defeated the Cardinals, 9-4, taking a 3-2 edge in their city series. The Cardinals had evened the series Friday when they won, 9-2, with Pitcher Mort Cooper going the full route. Rookie Outfielder Milt Byrnes provided the Browns' scoring punch when he singled twice with the bases loaded. . . . PITTSBURGH-Hal White and Hal Newhouser pitched the Detroit Tigers to a 2-0 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates. White hurled four-hit ball before

Newhouser came on the mound with the bases loaded in the seventh. He fanned Frank Coleman, right fielder, and retired

SignalsTrounce Engineers For Second Straight, 10-1

Playing errorless ball the Signal Service

Playing errorless ball the Signal Service Battalion nine defeated an Engineer unit, 10-1, in a game played in Hyde Park Saturday. Pitcher Eiseman allowed ony three bingles. In the third inning, the Engineers scored when Seckor singled, went to second on a passed ball and tallied on Hoffman's single. The Signalmen forged ahead in Korisher and Farrell with a triple against the fourth when Stoddard brought in Korisher and Farrell with a triple against the right field fence. Partyka also got a triple and scored when Sumrell grounded out to second. Six more runs were garnered by the Signals in the seventh when Kelly walked and Korisher, Farrell, Stoddard, Partyka, Sumrell and Eiseman all got singles. In their initial game last week, the Signals defeated an Eighth Air Force nine, 11-2.

1918 Catcher's Protector Used REPLACEMENT DEPOT, Apr. 18 This depot's baseball season opens today. The catcher's protector will be the same one used in the first baseball game in the last war between an American team and a British team.



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SPORTS

THE STARS AND STRIPES

Missella, LaBorde on Tomorrow's Fight Program

Dodgers' Age Hampers Bid For Pennant

Rickey Says They Also Lack Spirit of '42 Cards

By Stanley Frank New York Post Sports Writer

NEW YORK, Apr. 18-Branch Rickey says, "For single-mindedness of pur-pose, the Cardinals of 1942 were the greatest club I ever saw. They won the pennant because they thought only of the pennant. The Dodgers didn't."

The triumph of the Cardinals last year was a stirring testimonial to the pure thoughts and morality sermon the Reverend Rickey has been preaching for years. He assembled the team and nurtured the soul spark that enabled it to win when its chances appeared as worthless as the Italian lira in Libya. The whole thing is a pretty wonderful vindication of his message and methods. "Frankly, I faltered at my own table when the Dodgers were ten games ahead of the Cardinals early in August," said the Reverend, tremulously pulling out all the organ stops. "I thought St. Louis had a better ball club, but that the other clubs weren't strong enough to win games from Brooklyn and provide the help we needed.

Can't Think of Poker

"One man held the structure together —Manager Billy Southworth. Follow-ing his example, those boys saw not the pot of gold in the pennant—they saw pride, the joy in victory. These aren't sop words. Single-mindedness of pur-pose has won pennants before. . . . It won last year." Amen And the Dodgers ?

Amen. And the Dodgers ?

needed.

Rickey replied slowly, "A ball club can't win when some players are thinking of a poker game, a radio appearance or a date.

"I've heard it said that the Cardinals were given the stimulus to beat the Yankees in the World Series by their four-run rally in the last inning of the first game or by Slaughter's throw in the second game. I don't believe it.

second game. I don't believe it. "One seiback or one bad break would have made no difference to that team. If the Yankees had won three games in a row, the Cardinals would have had the same faith in themselves and would have played just as well. They had no respect for the Yanks' prestige. They respected their own pride."

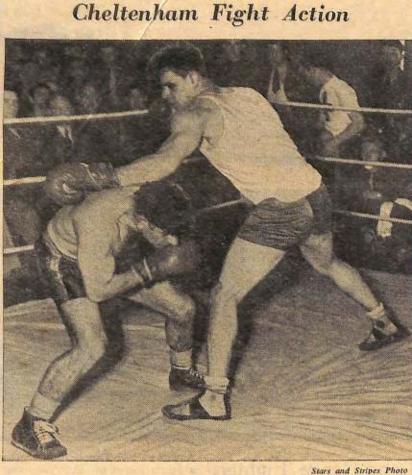
Is that the sort of ball club he wants in Brooklyn ?

Loss of Peck Was Blow

" By all means. But I don't want to "By all means. But I don't want to be volcanic or revolutionary about it. A team can be torn down overnight. I was shocked when I came to examine the Brooklyn roster. Do you know that there are 13 Brooklyn players who have a com-bined total of 134 years in the major leagues? Compare that with the Cardinal roster of last year. Terry Moore, the oldest player, was playing his eighth year. You could have taken any 13 Cardinal players and I don't believe their playing careers would have added up to half of 134 years. "I may be prejudiced because I was

"I may be prejudiced because I was associated with the young players the Cardinals had, but I can't but help feel apprehensive of this Brooklyn team when I consider its obvious lack of speed. None of the regulars except Vaughan ever was fast, and some, while still fine ball players, are painfully slow.

"The greatest single misfortune the Brooklyn club suffered was the fact that Peck accidentally shot off two toes last year. If not for that, he'd be exactly the player we needed to make a pennant bid. He really could fly." Peck is grounded. But we have a hunch things will be flying in Brooklyn in the not too distant future. Things resembling



Sgt. John Mattar, of Port Arthur, Texas, ducks under a left thrown by Pvt. Al Lucas, of New Orleans, at The Stars and Stripes fights at Cheltenham. Lucas won on a decision.

U.S. Army Swimmers First In Mangan Cup Competition

By Andrew Rooney Stars and Stripes Staff Write

A U.S. Army team of seven former college swimmers won the Mangan Challenge Cup from 13 other competing teams at the Eltham Baths Saturday evening.

Former Olympic backstroker from the University of Michigan, 1/Lt. Taylor Drysdale, of Detroit, Mich., won his speciality, added the margin for victory in the medley relay, and anchored the free-style relay team. The other individual victor for the American squad was 1/Lt. Kenneth Wil-lard, of St. Louis, Mo., whose diving had the crowd waiting for his turn on the Deard

Lt. Willard dove for Northwestern University and was a member of the All-American swimming team in 1932 and '33. In Saturday's diving he met good competition from a Royal Navy lieutenant in the compulsory dives, but outclassed the Englishman in the optionals. Willard did a half gaynor (reverse dive to the English) and a one and a half with a

full twist. In the medley relay, Sgt. Hyman Liederstein, former Pittsburgh University swimmer who placed second in the 33 and one-third-yard breast stroke, gave a slight lead to the second man, Cpl. Carl Lind-strand, team captain from West Chester, Pa. Both Lindstrand and the No. 3 man, Lt. Willard, added to the lead, and Lt. Drysdale pulled away with ease in the last lap from the best the other three finalists in the event could offer.

Loses Ten Yards From Finish

In the 100-yard free-style, 1/Lt. William Garvey, also from the University of Michigan, qualified for the finals in his heat, but three hours later, after two polo matches, a series of women's diving and swimming exhibitions, he was shut out after leading until ten yards from the finish

finish. Point results of the meet gave the Americans 12 points, National Fire

Weekly Sports Quiz

- 1—What player ran the wrong way to lose a Rose Bowl game ? 2—Who was the " Miracle Man of Baseball ? "
- 3-Who won the Stanley Cup this season ?
- 4-Who was considered the greatest drop-kicker of all time ?

5-What outfielder is considered to have the best throwing arm in baseball ?

TrackOpened For Training

Stars and Stripes Entries **Can Use Chiswick** Facilities

By G. K. Hodenfield Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Track and field stars and also rans of the pre-war era can loosen their joints and limber their muscles for two weeks before the ETO championship meet May 15 through arrangements just com-pleted by The Stars and Stripes Athletic Committee.

The Polytechnic Stadium at Chiswick, where the meet will be held, may be used

where the meet will be held, may be used for practice sessions every afternoon and evening after 1 PM, five days a week on and after May 2. The track will be closed on Fridays and Saturdays. Available for the runners, jumpers and throwers will be a well-packed quarter-mile track, pits for broad jumping, high jumping and pole vaulting, and such impedimenta as hurdles, 16-pound shots, javelins and discuses.

15 Events

15 Events The committee has announced that pre-liminaries will start at 9 AM the morning of the meet, with the final scheduled to start at 2 PM. Six men will advance from the preliminaries to the finals in each event in which preliminaries will be held. The 15 events on the program are: 100-yard dash, 220-yard dash, 440-yard dash, half-mile run, mile run, mile relay, mile medley relay, 880-yard sprint relay, shot put, discus, high jump, broad jump, pole vault, 120-yard high hurdles and 220-yard low hurdles. The more ambitious may enter as many as five events, but not more than three of them may be individual events, and not more than two may be relays. Both officers and enlisted men of Anny, Navy and Marines stationed in the ETO may enter the meet.

and Marines stationed in the ETO may enter the meet. The entry form printed on this page must be in the hands of The Stars and Stripes Athletic Committee, Printing House Square, London, E.C.4, not later than May 10.

Entry Procedure

All entries, team and individual, must be submitted through unit Special Ser-vice officers, who will in turn submit them to the following Command Special Service officers:

to the following Command Special Ser-vice officers: Eighth Air Force entries must clear through Lt. Col. William Bailey. Mem-bers of the Navy and Marines will submit their entries through Lt. Barry Bingham, USN. SOS entries will clear through Col. Theodore Arter. Col. George Ramey, Special Service officer, — Army Corps, will clear all entries from units served by officers working with him. Entries for London Base Command will clear through Capt. Ward J. Walker, Western Base Section entries will clear through Capt. Noble Buell, Southern Base Section through Lt. George Shuma-ker, and Eastern Base Section through Capt. O. C. Beer. All Northern Ireland entries will be handled by Capt. Kenzie. Teams will be billeted at Red Cross clubs at the expense of The Stars and Stripes Athletic committee, representing the Army Special Service, the American Bed Cross and The Stars and Stripes

Sabo, Dingess AreFeaturedat **Rainbow Club**

Smith Will Be Seeking Second Straight After Initial Loss

By Mark E. Senigo

Stars and Stripes Sports Editor

Stars and Stripes Sports Editor Two Rainbow Corner favorites who have been away from the ring for the past few weeks headline tomorrow night's Stars and Stripes fight program at the Rainbow Corner. Pvt. Frank Missella, 135-pounder from Cleveland, has taken four contests in six starts, one a TKO. His two losses were close decisions—one to Pvt. Jim Yonkers, former Indiana Golden Glove champion, and the other to Pvt. Charlie Schnap-pauf, — Division 135-pound champion. The other scrapper returning is Pvt. Edward LaBorde, of Gretna, La. LaBorde is probably the best 112-pounder who has yet stepped into the ring at Rainbow

yet stepped into the ring at Rainbow Corner. He has won three straight deci-sions against no defeats, and has become a favorite of the fans with his aggressive and forcing style.

Comeback Attempts

Comeback Attempts Four boys on tomorrow night's card will be seeking comebacks after previous reverses. Pvt. Toni Deri, of West New York, N J., 123, has yet to come through with a win in two starts. Pfc Phil Gerber, of Chicago, 133, also lost on points in his lone start a month ago, and Pvt. Alvin Anderson, of New Orleans, 132, was TKOed in the third after a good start. Cpl. Frank Barbieri, of Philadelphia, 112, has lost twice on points. After a poor start in his first appear-ance a month ago—he was knocked out in the second round—Pvt. John Smith, 135-pound New Yorker, returned to form two weeks ago to come through with a decision victory. He took a battering in the first round, but turned on the heat in the next two to make a good showing. **Three Newcomers**

Three Newcomers

Three Newcomers Pvt. William Sabo, another Clevelander, tipping the scale at 141, has a draw and a second-round knockout on his record in two starts. Cpl. Karl Dingess, heavy-weight from Escore, Mich., started slowly in his only appearance, but after two rounds of playing around he came through in the third with a TKO win. Other past winners who will try to keep their slates clean are Pfc Herbert Cobb, Philadelphia, Negro, 126; Pvt. Albert Jensen, Jersey City, N.J., 133; Pvt. Albert Kuc, Trenton, N.J., 158, and Pvt. Edison F. Anderson, St. Louis, Mo., Negro, 152. There will be at least three newcomers

Negro, 152. There will be at least three newcomers on the card. Most experienced of the trio is T/4 Leo McClain, Negro heavy-weight from Kansas City, Mo. McClain has been in several Golden Glove scraps although he has never taken any titles. The other two are novices—Cpl. William Hussey, of Brooklyn, N.Y., 170, and Pvt. James Duffy, 165-pounder from York, Pa.

Bomber Team Trips LBC, 11-7

Eighth Air Force Bomber Command's London Base Command, 11-7, yester-day afternoon in a free-hitting game at Eyons Sports Ground, Sudbury Hill. It was the first setback for LBC after three stealed wins

straight wins. Bomber Command's ten-hit attack off

Reported Safe

Department has announced that bomber pilot Lt. Tommy Harmon, former All-American football player who was missing on a flight since April 8, is now safe after his plane crashed in a South Ameri-can jungle. The fate of the other members of the plane's crew was not disclosed. Harmon, 23, formerly was halfback star of the University of Mistisser theorem.

DETROIT, Apr. 18—The Federal Grand Jury has indicted Jimmy Orlando, defenseman of the Detroit Red Wings hockey team, on charges of perjury and four violations of the Selective Service Act. He was accused of posing as an essential war worker to obtain draft defer-ment ment

Orlando pleaded guilty to one of the S. commissioner on

WASHINGTON, Apr. 18-The War Department has announced that bomber

of the University of Michigan, where he gained All-American honors in 1939 and '40. He joined the USAAF a year ago and received his wings as a bomber pilot on October 30 of last year.

Orlando, Wing Player, **Indicted on Draft Charge**

Wood Memorial **To Count Fleet**

JAMAICA, N.Y., Apr. 18—Smashing the mile and one-sixteenth distance in one minute and 43 seconds flat, which is within two-fifths second of the Jamaica track record, Count Fleet won the Wood Memorial Stakes before over 24,000 spectators. It was an easy victory for the Kentucky Derby favorite, who coasted under the wire four lengths ahead of rival Allen Simmons' Blue Swords.

The Wood Memorial victory earned Count Fleet's owner, Mrs. John D. Hertz, of Chicago, \$22,185 and boosted Count Fleet's total earnings to about \$98,000.

Fleet's total earnings to about \$98,000. The Count ran spectacularly despite an injury received as the field broke from the starting gate. Another horse's hoof clipped the Count's right hind leg, puncturing into the coronet bone and affecting a three-inch area, where there is a great danger of infection. Trainer Don Cameron said that Count Fleet's scheduled departure for Churchill Downs might be delayed pending determination of the extent of the injury.

Service ten and the London Home Guard and the Royal Navy were tied with six points each.

Competing teams from the Royal Netherlands Navy, Fighting French Fighting Headquarters, Royal Navy, Coldstream Guards, Canadian Army, Metropolitan Police and the RAF gave the meet an international touch.

33-yard backstroke-U.S. Army (Drysdalc); second, L.H.G.; third, R.N. Time, 2011. 33-yard breaststroke-L.H.G.; second, U.S. Army (Liederstein); third, N.F.S. Time, 19.8, 33-yard free style-R.N.; R.A.F.; N.F.S. Time, 16.6

16.6. 100-yard medley relay-U.S. (Drysdale, Lieder-stein, McKce); second, L.H.G.; third, R.A.F.

Time, 54.6. 133-yard free style relay—U.S. Army (Liederstein, Lindstrand, Willard (Drysdale); second, N.F.S.; third, R.N. Time, 66.5. Diviag-U.S. Army (Willard); second, R.N.; third, N.F.S. Points, 255.75.

Bomber Service Team Trounces Chemics, 9–2

A BOMBER BASE, Apr. 18-The -th Service Group softball team administered

Service Group softball team administered a drubbing to the —th Chemical Com-pany, beating them 9—2. "Johnny" Slivka, on the mound for the winners, kept the 11 Chemic hits well scattered and was the Jeading run pro-ducer for his own team, crossing the platter three times. Besides Slivka, Bud Brostuen, "Butter-

Besides Slivka, Bud Brostuen, "Butter-fingers" Burke and Larry Loffman led the winners' attack with two hits apiece. Jimmy Harris and "Buckets" Kennedy paced the losers with two and three hits apiece.

March 29 and is at liberty under a \$2,000 bond.

the Army Special Service, the American Red Cross and The Stars and Stripes.

The Stars and Stripes Athletic Committee

Track and Field Meet

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ETO championship track and field meet: Polytechnic Stadium, Chiswick, London, Saturday, May 15, 1943.

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tour pitchers was led by Nick Fracaro whose two home runs in the fourth and fifth innings accounted for three runs, and Grady Corriher, whose four-master in the fifth came with two on.

LBC collected only five hits off Russ LBC collected only five fits off Russ Griffiths, Bomber Command right hander, and five unearned runs in eight and a third innings. He was relieved by Dave Mace, diminutive southpaw, who gave up one hit and two unearned runs. Eight errors by Bomber Command opened the gates for all LBC runs. Losing nitcher was Eddie Rupe, who

Losing pitcher was Eddie Rupe, who yielded seven runs in the fourth and fifth, after Jimmy Wright, LBC starter, faced only nine men in the first three frames. The box score:

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Ulster Chess Tourney

BELFAST, Apr. 18-A chess tourna-ment will be held at the Red Cross club here Friday night, Apr. 23, Frank Kammerlohr, athletic director, has announced.

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The Pacific War

The Pacific war appears to be entering a new and even more deadly phase. Despite recent defeats at Guadalcanal and in New Guinea, and heavy naval losses sustained in a series of disastrous sea and air battles, Japan is concentrating still heavier groups of sea, air and land power for new blows.

Recent air raids by Japanese planes have been on the grand scale, with something like 250 machines participating. Losses were heavy, running to nearly 25 per cent, and no power on earth can long sustain them. Our own losses in these air battles were small; but the number of planes destroyed on the ground has not been disclosed. If these were heavy, not been disclosed. If these were heavy, it then becomes a question of who can replace lost aircraft more easily, Japan or the United States. Strategically, Japan has not only the shortest but also the safest air lines of communication and supply and should be able to replace planes faster; but only time will give the correct answer to this question, on which rests the success or failure of any Japanese plans. Japanese plans.

Defense and attack in the Pacific both depend upon land-based aircraft for success, and while the issue in the Pacific is still uncertain, there can be no doubt about the fact that in the last round we have badly beaten the cocky Japanese. The blows struck have slowed our crafty openenent and with four ships out of six opponent, and with four ships out of six destroyed of the most recent Japanese convoy attempting to reach New Guinea, the evidence points to the fact that our defensive power is still strong.

At present it seems that war in the Pacific is developing into a war of attri-tion, and should this prove true next year will see the United States, together with the Allies, moving against Japan in a heavy offensive, for by that time the full weight of the American training and full weight of the American training and production program will be at its peak. Our Navy will be double the size it was at the end of 1942, and every warship will be vastly more dangerous than those we knew so well in days of peace, while the size of our Pacific air force will prove a paralyzing factor to any Japanese offen-sive or defensive move.

Bootleg Ice Cream

With the ban on ice cream we predicted bootlegging " several months ago, and imagine our surprise when we discovered The Stars and Stripes was the seventh son of the seventh son, or to put it briefly a true prophet.

It seems you can't keep a good soldier down . . . at least this applies to the Engineers, and, unofficial, this is how you build your own "Still." Of course it helps if you're in an Engineer outfit; but Engineers or infantry . . and it's hot . . here's how you make frozen "boot-leg " on your own.

leg " on your own. Take a 30 gallon GI can, complete with cover. Punch a hole in the exact center of the cover. Make a spider socket



We meant to get this one in the anniverwe meant to get this one in the anniver-sary issue. During a certain period when The Stars and Stripes' circulation was really booming, a new member joined the selling staff. After a week on the road he enthusiastically sent in the following report: "Paper selling like hot cakes. Have already sold 150 per cent of the units in my area." in my area.

A second lieutenant fresh off the OCS assembly line was giving a company the lowdown on the Articles of War and



"the pursuit of happiness." * * * * There's a second lieutenant in the signal corps who has to have his jive, no matter what happens. After months in the wilder-ness he was transferred to London and immediately went searching for a victrola and some hot records. He found the records OK, but had lots of trouble locating the phonograph. It turned out that the only way he could get one was to buy a complete linguaphone set, lan-guage records and all. So now he's get-ting his jive and can play a little French ting his jive and can play a little French lingo on the side.

lingo on the side. * * * Sgt. John Zucca, medic serving with a cavalry unit over here, vouches for this' one. Returning to the Washington Club with a pal after a night of fun he en-countered two GIs sitting below the monument in Trafalgar Square. The GIs at the monument had enjoyed the succu-lent pleasure of ginger beer. Said one, switching on his flashlight and playing it on the monument, "Bet you can't climb that beam." "Sure I can," snapped his buddy, "but I won't because when I get to the top, you'll play dirty and switch off the light and I won't be able to get down."

Our nomination for the most enterprising soldier of the week is the GI who wired Veronica Lake, "I am going on



leave today. I haven't seen a beautiful leave today. I haven't seen a beautiful woman in six months and it will be six months before I see a beautiful woman again. Please could I meet you and do research for a dream ? " The bewitch-ing film star had him over to the studio for lunch. Lucky dogface I J. C. W.

P47s May Be U.S. Bomber Escort



Long Range Fighters Could Give Cover To Forts, Libs

By Bud Hutton

has highlighted the desirability of fighter escort if heavy bombers are to succeed in a clear bombing run at their target. On such a raid as to Bremen—or, in the same vein, the RAF's long jump in bright moonlight to the Skoda works in Czechoslovakia at a cost of 37 bombers —there can be no fighter escort because the range is beyond the fuel limits of the lighter planes. One of these days American P47 Thunderbolts—the longest-ranged, hardest-hitting fighters yet—may alter the entire picture of aerial warfare above Europe by accompanying the Forts and

Europe by accompanying the Forts and Libs on missions now beyond the scope of the Spitfires and Hurricanes.

P38 Could Help, Too

One other American fighter-the P38

One other American fighter—the P38 Lightning, which was lauded in combat reports from Africa over the weekend— has range beyond that of most fighters and may supplement the 47s, should these be employed, in giving cover to the bombers striking at the more distant tar-gets in France or at Germany itself. The P38 is flying on operations from this country now; the P47, not yet. The big American bombers already have proved they can more than take care of themselves against normal fighter opposi-tion: the 52 Nazi fighters shot down over Vegesack, the ratio of more than four German fighters shot down for every U.S. bomber lost in the ETO, the scores of ships such as the Dry Martini which knocked down ten FW190s or Me109s in a single raid—all confirm the provess of a single raid-all confirm the prowess of the four-engined Yankee ships.

But against super-concentrations, such as the Luftwaffe is likely to throw up over such a vital target as the factories which make their own fighters, the score goes

on raids over Germany. on raids o up, as it did Saturday above the Focke-Wulf Flugzeugbau A.G. plants at Bremen. The P47s may be the answer to the FW1903 which lurk in the sub-strato-sphere above the Fortress and Liberator formations. The 47s have not yet been tested in combat here; on paper they have everything it takes to clear the 190s from the bombing runs of the bombers. The Forts and Libs bomb above 20,000 feet. The FW190s range the skies well above the bombers. The P47s start per-forming at their Sunday best above 20,000 feet. Pilot and firepower being equal, the answer is as straight as it ever is on paper.

America's P47 Thunderbolt (bottom) may be the answer to the need for a fighter escort for Fortresser and Library be the answer to the need for

a fighter escort for Fortresses and Liberators to battle the FW190 (top)

paper. And the 47s have the firepower, even if the censor won't let you talk about it.

Air-Cooled Engine

When the Republic Aviation Corp. planned the 47, or Thunderbolt, it built the ship around an air-cooled engine, a radical departure to the prevailing fighter style at the time.

style at the time. The Army had pioneered in air-cooleds, then given them up for the more stream-lined liquid-cooled power plants, such as the Allison and the Rolls-Royce Merlin. But Pratt and Whitney came through with an air-cooled job which could turn up better than 2,000 h.p. and had a cowling not too wasteful in air rehad a cowling not too wasteful in air re-sistance. The horsepower was better than anything in liquid-cooled, and the first 47s were built around the P and WR-2800-21.

2800-21. The ship weighs 13,500 pounds, heavier than any other American fighter except the P38, which has two engines and weighs 14,350lb. The P47B came off the line with a wing span of 41 feet, a length of 32 feet eight inches and a height of 13 feet, wider than all except the P38, longer than all except the P38 and the P39 Aira-cobra. cobra.

cobra. The armament of the 47s is secret today; the earliest models carried only eight machine-guns. The P38, which got off to a bad start on this side of the Atlantic, apparently has been improved in North Africa. Over the weekend, one British air commentator diagnosed its performance against the Luftwaffe in Africa, and made out a strong case for the "two pieces of tail"

armament to be hurled en masse at the formations of Fortresses and Liberators which, with their .50-calibre guns, are able to open fire just about as soon as the fabter:

able to open fire just about as soon as the fighters. Bell Aircraft tried that formula, once, with the American FM1, a twin-engined plane built around two pusher propellers and a pair of 37mm. cannon, as well as other armament. The old maxim of battle power made that particular model unfit for combat. To gain speed, weight must be sacrificed; to gain armament, speed must be sacrificed; to gain protection, speed or armament must be sacrificed.

speed or armament must be sacrificed. However, what the Germans have today is respectable, capable of meeting on comparatively even terms anything sent against it at the altitudes from which the

bombers strike. The FW190H is a refinement of the basic Focke-Wulfe design, built around an air-cooled engine.

an air-cooled engine. (A lot of airmen's nerves are going to get a jolt when the P47s begin appearing in the same skies as FW190s. Up to now, if you saw a low-wing pursuit ship with the big cowelling of an air-cooled engine coming at you, it was an FW190 and you fired. The P47 is going to look an awful lot like the 190 at attack distance, bar the more rounded belly and smoother-flowing tail assembly.)

FW Best Above 20,000

FW Best Above 20,000 The FW190 is built around a BMW 801 radial engine, developed under the pressure of war. It is low winged, with blunt tips on wings and tail planes. It performs, with present alterations, best at above 20,000 feet. The versatility of the craft is shown in the almost daily fighter-bomber sorties against English coast towns. Fitted with bomb racks, the FW's great speed—about 400 miles an hour as a fighter, 200-350 a bomber—is an asset in getting away after its attack. Britain's 2,000 hp Typhoon, however, has been able to outspeed it at low levels. The ME109G, Germany's newest fighter on this front, has a 1,500 hp engine, 300 more than the ME109F, its predecessor. Maximum horsepower is developed around 16,000 feet, where the plane turns ip in the neighborhood of 400 mph. It carries one 20-mm. cannon in the pro-peller hub and two 7.9-mm. machine-guns the fuselage; these latter are roughly equivalent to .30-cal. American guns. The FW190's armament is along the same lines, although the Luftwaffe has to an it. The JU88s and the ME110s and 210s guns on it. The JU88s and the ME110s and 210s are 'way behind these other fighters in speed and ceiling, and will carry little weight in the greatest air battle in history which probably will be fought somewhere along Europe's twisting perimeter this year as the United Nations fight to set up air cover for invasion of the German fortress. guns on it.



Stars and Stripes Staff Writer The loss of 16 American bombers in Saturday's daylight blow at the Nazis' Focke-Wulfe airplane factories in Bremen has highlighted the desirability of fighter

to insert in the bottom to hold Make a shaft with paddles, bugler can dope this one a shaft. even even a bugler can dope this one out. Build a wood crate around the can. Get some ice at a Fish Pier . . see your Special Service Officer or PX Officer in case of need, for believe it or not they do have ice in England. And then there is plenty of extra rock salt packed around those war cured hams, or hadn't you noticed ?

Now all you need is the mixture powdered milk, a little egg powder, water, vanilla, maybe a little canned fruit to give you that Tutti-Fruitti touch, and a bit of corn starch or gelatine for quicker results.

In the old days you would have cranked that paddle by hand and it can still be done the hard way. Some guard houses provide this power on request; but why, with all this machinery lying around idle go through those motions ? A pulley some rope, and the small end of a power wheel will do wonders.

The Engineers, not the outfit that thumbed to Europe, use the drill on their air compressor directly connected to the paddle. Results they claim are splendid. In fact they have it down to a point where each air compressor is now equipped with its own ice cream freezer.

When working alongside the British where the Tommies knock off for tea, or NAAFI break, the freezer is started early in the day, and you join the British at tea time with your hunk of ice cream . . . pardon us, Frozen Sweet.

Engineers claim their method beats tying a milk can to the tail end of a Flying Fortress going out on a raid, for it elim-inates the danger of serving "swiss cheese" during the ice cream hour. By the way, morale is good now in the Engineers.



ship built by Lockheed. The British observer pointed out that

Lightnings have been flying far and wide out over the Mediterranean, as Fortress and Mitchell escorts, and as sweep-fight-ers; they have disposed of far more enemy

ers; they have disposed of far more enemy planes than their own losses. The Lightning comes up as a candidate for bomber escort duty on the long range jobs because of its ceiling (approximately 40,000 feet) and its range (1,000 miles at 260 miles an hour in the earliest models). With an air speed in the neighborhood of 400 miles an hour and a ceiling that keeps it up with the highest, plus its armament (four machine-guns and a cannon in the earlier models), the 38 should have much of what it takes to pro-teet the Forts and Libs. tect the Forts and Libs.

Won't Use Top Range

Naturally, with the demands of combat flying, the P38s are not often going to get near their range of 500 miles out and 500 back. Combat performance drinks up gasoline all out of proportion to the increase in speed almost as much as the square of the increase.

crease in speed atmost as much as the square of the increase. The obvious corollary to any discussion of Allied fighters is: What will the Luft-waffe put up to meet them ? Today, Air Marshal Goering's front line fighters—his best and fastest on operations—are the FW190H and the ME109G. Whether he has been able to drive his often-bombed factories to the production of anything measurably better is not known. Certainly, he must have been trying, for the FW190 has its match at low level in the 2,000 hp British Typhoon, and the latest Spitfires will take on the FW190s anytime they can find them.

The obvious development would be a German fighter plane carrying super-

Lenten Message

MATTHEW 26:36-46-" Whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of Man be ashamed."

There are times when much depends on the stand we take. To be true means more than is apparent. To be false on such occasions always seems the "easy way"; but invariably jeopardize much of value. The Christian is expected by others to be true to his convictions. Under some circumstances that is not difficult ; under others it will test your courage to the limit. If you run away from duty you may endanger others. If you stand firm you encourage others to be strong. If you yield in times of stress, others may go down with you.

Monday, April 19, 1943

NEWS FROM HOME **Orders** Issued **Banning Shifts From War Jobs**

War Manpower Office Freezes Émployment And Wages

WASHINGTON, Apr. 18—Moving to carry out that part of the President's price, wage and job stabilization order which affects the nation's workers, the War Manpower Commission has issued a regulation, effective today, which bans most job transfers unless the national war effort will benefit from the change. Signed by commission chairman Paul

effort will benefit from the change. Signed by commission chairman Paul V. McNutt, the new regulation pro-hibits any shift from a job in an essential industry to a job in a non-essential cate-gory if a higher wage is involved. On the other hand shifts from non-essential to essential work are encouraged and will be approved, even if the new job pays more money. No approval is necessary for a worker in one essential job to shift to another in the same cate-gory and at the same or a lower salary. Shifts from one non-essential job to on-essential job are not yet con-trolled.

Violations are made subject to a \$1,000 fine and one year's imprisonent for both employee and employer.

Gets 60 Bucks a Minute

NEW YORK, Apr. 18 (UP)-At some-NEW YORK, Apr. 18 (UP)—At some-thing like \$60 a minute, the musician with the highest rate of pay in the United States isn't Fritz Kreisler or Benny Goodman—it's a trumpet player named Abe Katz. For 15 seconds each day, Abe sounds a few blasts for background in

Donald Duck Signs Up To Fight German 'Line'

NEW YORK, Apr. 18 (UP)-Donald Duck is going GI for the duration-pitting his grating, gabbling voice against the wiles of Goebbels' Nazi propaganda mill.

Donald's boss, Walt Disney, is reported here to be working on a new picture, starring Donald, which will debunk the pet Hitlerite theory of Aryan race supremacy. Already Donald has been doing more than his share in winning friends for the United States as he waddles across Latin-American screens in the picture Saludos Amigos." The new picture is intended to make all possible use of Donald's diplomatic value.

a play now running here. He gets the regular wage as established by union scales, \$120 a week.

Record U.S. Steel Output

Record U.S. Steel Output WASHINGTON, Apr. 18 (UP)— American steel plants produced 1,135,413 tons of steel plate in January. Ingot pro-duction this year is expected to reach 93,000,000 tons—7,000,000 tons more than was produced in 1942. Practically all of the steel will go to the war plants, and there will be barely enough to cover other major needs, such as transport and new factory construction. Ordinary civi-lian requirements may not be met. lian requirements may not be met.

First Condor Hatched In Zoo

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Apr. 18 (UP)—The first condor ever hatched in captivity is being studied by scientists at the zoo here. Condors are usually hatched only in the High Andes mountains of South

THE STARS AND STRIPES

Navy Operating Seven Fleets

U.S. Sea Forces Include Australian Command Col. Knox Says

WASHINGTON, Apr. 18 (AP)-Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox disclosed today that the United States Navy now has seven separate fleets in service. including one in the Australian area under the command of Rear Adm. Carpenter.

Col. Knox emphatically declined to comment on recent conflicting statements concerning the American and Japanese forces in the Australian area, but did say he expected to hold conferences with Australian representatives here.

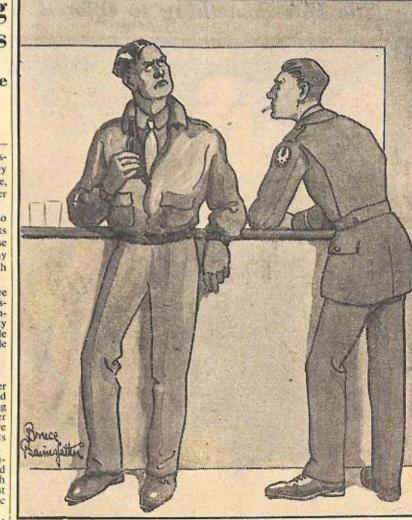
Speaking about the new aerial offensive against Kiska, the Navy Secretary dis-closed that the American forces were con-ducting the assaults from bases " pretty close " to Kiska. Some forces were able to make more than one attack in a-single day, be said. day, he said.

' Havoe ' At Kiska

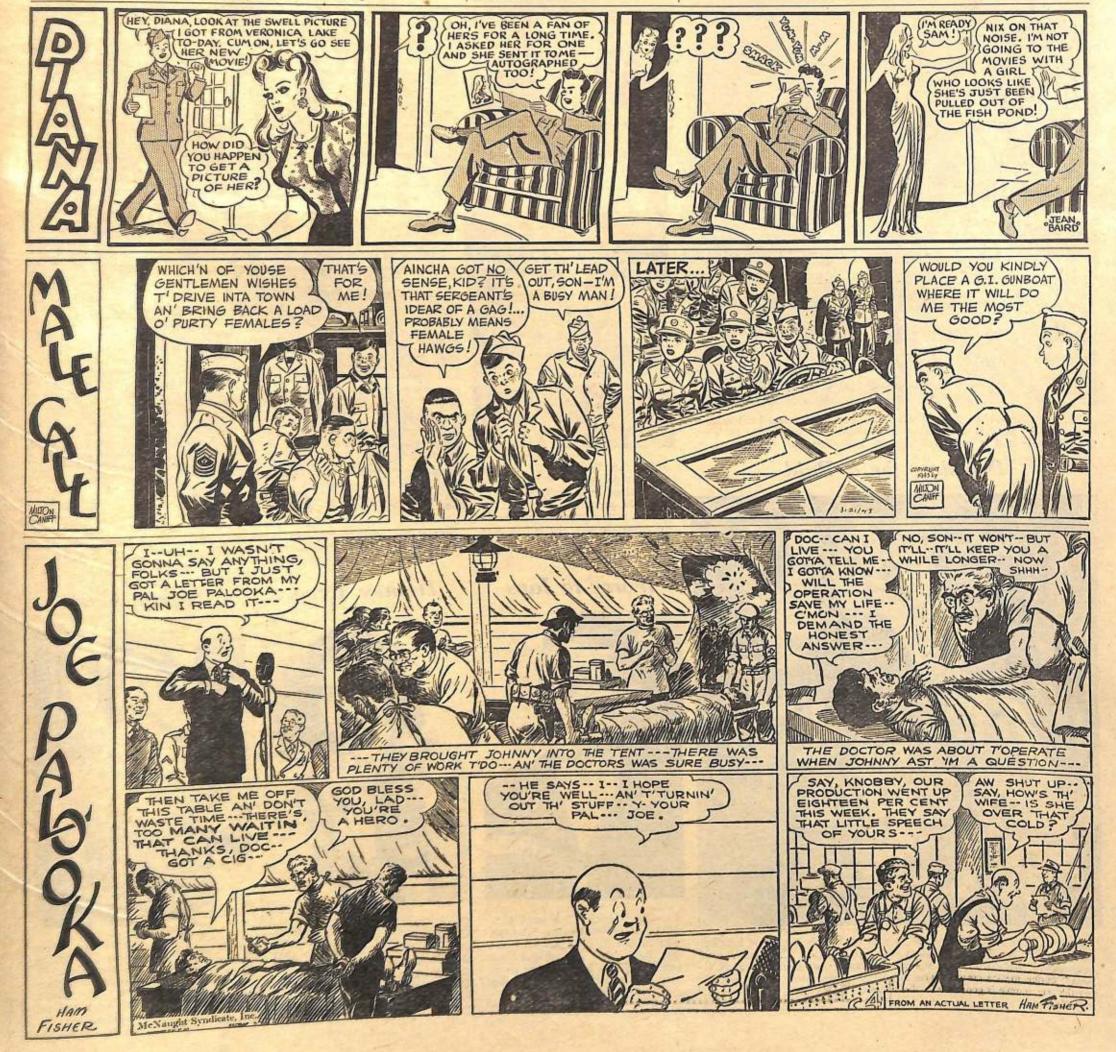
Col. Knox said that he had no further details on the Kiska offensive, but added that the American planes were " raising a good deal of havoc there." In answer to a question, he said, however, that there had been no recent aerial reinforcements for the United States forces in that area.

Observers believed that the fleets men-tioned by Col. Knox could be identified as North Atlantic, South Atlantic, South Pacific, Southwest Pacific, Southeast Pacific, European and a general Pacific command command.

The Southwest Pacific Command would include some Australian units, the Secre-tary of the Navy disclosed at his press conference.



"What was I doing Sunday? Let's see-I remember! Went to church in the mornin', and bombed hell outa Bremen in the afternoon !





It's hardly necessary to say that this young lady—Rosemary LaPlanche— once won a "Miss America" contest. (Who'd vote against her ?) That was in 1941—and it took until now for Hollywood to sign a contract.

Dressing for a Raid



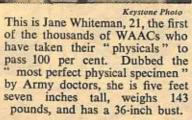


American soldiers and native boys examine a captured 75mm. anti-aircraft gun after a battle near Salamaua, in New Guinea, while an Australian brews a cup of coffee. The Japs in retreat removed the breech block of the gun so that it could not be used again.

Perfect WAAC

How They Keep Clean in India









Associated Press Photo Outside his thatched bamboo "cottage" in the Naga Hills, India, Cpl. George Powell, of St. Petersburgh, Fla., gets a bath as Sgt. Arne A. Metsa, of Chassell, Mich., pours the water.

Homey Type

Safety Garb



Worry to Japs

utting on their electrically-heated suits at an Eighth Air Force bomber ation before a bombing mission are Lts. Edward C. Brennan, of adianapolis, Ind. (left), and William J. Hannan, of Ogdensburg, N.Y. t 23,000 feet (the usual bombing height) the temperature at this time of the year is about 30-40 degrees below zero.

Lt. Gen. George C. Kenny, U.S. air chief in New Guinea, who last week stated, "I'll be pleased when we have the Jap planes out numbered 5 to 1," heads the force that has taken heavy toll of Jap planes the past week.

Donna Reed, a Hollywood resident, has been notified by an American regiment fighting in Tunisia that she is their ideal of the kind of girl they'd "like to come home to." Donna was selected as one of the best bets for 1943 film stardom. For U.S. women war workers, dress designers have created "safety clothing," Here is a war worker in one of the new uniforms, complete with the plastic "bra." Approved by the WPB, it will help prevent future accidents.

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