

## Battle to Finish Luftwaffe Passes 6th Day

### Nazis Leave Vitebsk, Key Baltic Base

#### Reds Aim New Offensive At Minsk, Threatening 450-Mile-Long Front

Fall of Vitebsk, one of the principal Nazi bases guarding the northern front, was reported in Berlin news dispatches yesterday as the Red Army's new offensive aimed at Minsk put the Nazis' White Russian bases in increasing peril and shook the enemy line along the whole 450-mile front from the Pripet marshes to Pskov.

German-controlled Scandinavian Telegraph Bureau, frequently used by Propaganda Minister Joseph Goebbels to break bad news to the Reich, reported Vitebsk had been evacuated but there was no confirmation in the German communique nor in any other source.

The city, junction of the Leningrad-Odessa railway with the line running from Smolensk to Polotsk and Riga, Latvia, has been under siege for weeks. Its evacuation, if confirmed, would mean the Nazis virtually have given up hope of holding the Baltic states.

While three columns advancing on Pskov from north, northeast and east pushed within 20, 40 and 50 miles, respectively, Gen. Rokossovsky's offensive in White Russia drove the Nazis 20 miles beyond the captured base at Rogachev and within 20 miles of Bobruisk, next obstacle standing in the way of a Soviet sweep down the railway to Minsk.

The advance here made the German base at Zhlobin, 50 miles northwest of Gomel, almost untenable and Moscow dispatches forecast the Nazis would be forced to give it up or risk having its garrison hemmed in against the Pripet marshes to the south.

Orsha, another Nazi bastion on the Leningrad-Odessa railway, also appeared in danger of outflanking should Vitebsk fall 45 miles to the north.

Meanwhile, Red Star in Moscow published a dispatch datelined "A city in Estonia" asserting that the Red Army had crossed the border into the Soviet Republic of Estonia. No details were given.

### Re-employment Group Formed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 (Reuter)—President Roosevelt has issued an executive order from the White House formally establishing a "Re-training and Re-employment Administration" in the Office of War Mobilization.

The President's decision to create this department, which will have Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines of the U.S. Veterans' Administration as its chief, was announced today by James F. Byrnes, OWM director.

President Roosevelt's order states that the department will be charged with "the general supervision and direction of the activities of all government agencies relating to the re-training and re-employment of persons discharged or released from the armed services or other war work, including all work directly affected by the cessation of hostilities or the reduction of the war program."

### Russia's Demands To Finns Listed in Stockholm Report

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 25—Russia's armistice terms to Finland, as reported by Dagen Nyheter's London correspondent from unofficial non-British sources, are:

Return to the frontier fixed after the 1940 war.

Internment of German troops in Finland for the duration.

Demobilization of the Finnish army, reparations to be settled later.

No demands for changes in the Finnish government.

If Finland desires, Russian troops will enter Finland to help put the Germans under control, Russia guaranteeing to withdraw after completion of military operations against the Germans.

The reporter said his sources were "very optimistic" about Finland's chances of quitting the war.

### Gen. Eisenhower Hears the Situation



Leaning on his M4 tank, 1/Lt. Edmond J. O'Sullivan, of Martin's Ferry, Ohio, tells Gen. Eisenhower the disposition of armored exercises held yesterday in England in an invasion warm-up.

### 'Big Three' for Invasion Inspect (And Bounce With) Tank Units

By William Smith White

Associated Press War Correspondent

SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND, Feb. 25—The top three men of the Supreme Allied Command—Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, supreme commander of the Allied invasion forces; Air Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder, deputy commander, and Gen. Sir Bernard Montgomery, chief of British ground forces—swept through a three-hour inspection tour today in this area where American armored forces are training for invasion and left every indication that they were pleased at what they saw.

It was a strenuous day for "all that brass," for they rode bouncing half-tracks, vehicles which are leaping crosses between a truck and a tank, and took an intimate look into everything that went on, not hesitating to use their hands.

This inspection was the second in as many days. The first was made yesterday at a British unit. Although they were arranged with great secrecy, people gathered at village crossings on both occasions to cheer as word inevitably got around that the "big three" were in the neighborhood.

Here at a tank unit, which aside from maintaining its own strength has in three years sent on to other outfits hundreds of officers and thousands of trained men as cadres, the appearance of the three leaders brought a perceptible lift in the spirits of the men but no visible nervousness or fumbling.

Eisenhower, in regulation dress uniform, but wearing short British leggings, was alternately grave and joking. His face was again massively immobile and again crinkled with smiles, and he talked to every one from officers down to privates—with a kind of amiable firmness.

All he saw, he saw intently, and he listened intently to talk about their chow, among other things.

He was on terms of complete friendliness with Montgomery, a small, immensely alive figure whose eyes were never still and who was wearing his well-known black beret, tanker trousers and a pale tan greatcoat—"British warm."

Tedder, most silent of the three, least active in manner, his fur flier's coat buttoned tightly, was always at Eisenhower's side.

Again and again, inspecting a column of vehicles, they passed Italian prisoners working along the roadside or at haystacks. Invariably the Italians looked blankly at the face bobbing under Montgomery's black beret. He didn't seem aware of them.

#### Some Consolation

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 (Reuter)—President Roosevelt's private secretary, Stephen Early, said yesterday that the President would save about \$3,000 in taxes on his Hyde Park timber by Congress' failure to sustain the veto of the \$2,315,000,000 tax measure.

### Attacks on Stuttgart, Regensburg Climax Furious 24-Hr. Drive

#### Messerschmitt and Ball-Bearing Factories Pounded; Fighters Fly 1,100 Miles; Schweinfurt Gets It 3 Times

Carrying their furious campaign to obliterate the German aircraft industry into the sixth straight day, American Fortresses and Liberators hammered the Messerschmitt factories at Regensburg and the ball-bearing works at Stuttgart yesterday.

The day's operations marked the eighth big blow at German aircraft centers within 24 hours, not including diversionary attacks on other targets and assaults by medium bombers on German airfields.

It was without doubt the heaviest 24 hours of continuous pounding that the Allied air forces, operating from both Britain and the Mediterranean, had given the enemy and there was no sign of a let-up.

German news agency reported last night that still other American formations entered the Reich from the south, indicating that the 15th Air Force again was striking from its Italy bases in coordination with the Eighth and Ninth from Britain.

The Marauders of the Ninth yesterday struck three airfields in Holland in clear weather, and crews told of direct hits on runways, dispersal areas and ammunition dumps. They were at Deelen, Leeuwarden and Gilze-Rijen.

Briefly, these are the blows which the American and British heavies delivered against the Luftwaffe's production centers in the 24 hours ending at dusk yesterday:

1—B17s of the Eighth Air Force showered tons of high explosives on the great ball-bearing and aero manufacturing center at Schweinfurt on Thursday. Heavy damage was inflicted on one of the four main buildings and lesser damage to two others, photographs showed.

2—Simultaneously, B17s and B24s struck the Me110 twin-engine fighter assembly and major components plant at Gotha and, according to headquarters of the U.S. Strategic Air Forces, knocked it out of production "for an undetermined period." Ten of the 14 buildings were damaged and set afire; bombs hit the plant producing locomotives and other railroad equipment; four hangars of an adjacent airfield were damaged, and numerous grounded planes were hit.

3—Heavy bombers of the 15th Air Force, based in Italy, struck their second consecutive blow at Steyr, near Vienna, at the same time, and photo reconnaissance showed excellent bomb coverage on the major aircraft components and ball-bearing factory there. Fires were said to be raging in the four largest buildings, assembly shops and fuel stores.

4—RAF Wellington's, based in Italy, struck Steyr at night, marking the first one-two, day-and-night assault on Germany by American and British planes from the Mediterranean theater.

5—Following the USAAF attack on Schweinfurt, the RAF stabbed twice at the still-burning production center during Thursday night and yesterday morning, employing more than 1,000 bombers in their operations.

6—Flying a ten-hour round-trip of 1,100 miles, Fortresses yesterday struck at two main plants at Regensburg. One was the Prufening factory, former assembly plant for Messerschmitts, which was so badly damaged in the raid Aug. 17, 1942, by Fortresses that it was transformed into a plant to turn out parts only. The second was Obertraubling, five miles west of Regensburg, Me109 assembly plant, which was attacked on Tuesday by American heavy bombers

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### Roosevelt Quit Capital Only to Rest, Early Says

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25—President Roosevelt's private secretary, Stephen Early, denying reports that the President had left Washington because of illness, said Mr. Roosevelt was only taking a rest tour.

Capital observers, substantiating Early's statement, pointed out that the President, slow to shake off the effects of his recent attack of influenza, is relaxing away from Washington's political controversies.

### Senate, 72 to 14, Enacts Tax Bill Over FDR Veto

#### \$2,315,000,000 Measure Passes Easily; Barkley, President 'Make Up'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25—A determined Senate joined forces with the House today to override President Roosevelt's veto and enact the \$2,315,000,000 tax bill in spite of the Chief Executive's strong contention that it was "wholly ineffective" and a "tax relief measure for the greedy."

The vote, 72 to 14, was well over the required two-thirds. By thus writing into law a measure attacked by the President as one affording "indefensible special privileges to favored groups," the Senate climaxed one of the bitterest Congressional revolts against the administration in several years.

Spectators crowded the galleries for the roll call and there was a buzz of excitement as Senator Alben W. Barkley (D., Ky.), leading actor in yesterday's drama over Democratic leadership in the upper house, cast his vote to set aside the veto.

Echoes of Barkley's violent but short-lived tiff with Mr. Roosevelt died down as the veteran made public a letter to the President expressing "the fervent hope" that their dispute would bring legislative and executive departments "closer together."

Given a vote of confidence by his party colleagues in the Senate, who unanimously re-elected him majority leader 15 minutes after he had resigned in protest against the sarcastic tone of Mr. Roosevelt's veto message, Barkley wrote the President that he appreciated his "prompt disavowal of any intention to reflect upon" the integrity of members of Congress.

He said, however, that he felt the President's message was "susceptible of the

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### U.S. Repatriates Head for Home

MADRID, Feb. 25 (AP)—Some 350 American civilians interned in German-occupied territory will be repatriated aboard the Gripsholm at Lisbon about Feb. 28, along with American diplomats and 37 wounded U.S. war prisoners, occupation authorities at Biarritz announced today.

The addition of civilian enemy aliens to the exchange list appeared to set a precedent for exchange of prisoners in this category held by the U.S.

U.S. and South American diplomats and 35 U.S. prisoners of war arrived by three trains at Irun, on the frontier, yesterday morning on their way to Lisbon. The party included Pinckney Tuck, former U.S. charge d'affaires in Vichy.

### Sgt. Lowden a Helper—Not a Gaper

#### GI and His British Pal Save Apartment House in Fire Blitz

Civil defense workers battling fire and death in the Luftwaffe's renewed fire-bombing offensive on London paid tribute yesterday to American soldiers for their conduct and help in raid work.

The Americans, they said, could be divided into two classes—gapers and helpers. The gapers were the type who clattered up the streets after a raid and in some cases handicapped fire fighters in their jobs. The helpers were those like the GIs whom Prime Minister Churchill found fighting fires when he toured bomb damaged areas early yesterday morning.

One of the men lending a hand was an ex-insurance agent from Warsaw, N.Y., Sgt. Robert A. Lowden, who, with an English friend, was credited with saving a three-story apartment house.

Lowden was acting as voluntary fire-watcher when incendiaries dropped on a nearby house. With his friend he broke into the house, went up onto the roof

and successfully fought the flames. He returned to his billet with nothing worse than slightly singed legs.

Pfc Vernon C. Hayes, of White Lake, Wis., helped British firemen to extricate trapped victims at the scene of a fire.

Recalling some of the grim sights he had beheld, Hayes told of a man walking around with his small daughter dead in his arms, refusing to give her up.

"The things that impressed me most," he said, "was the way men, women and children all pitched in to help."

Some of the Americans injured in the raids included Army officers who were in a Red Cross club damaged by a near miss.

Capt. James R. Gay, registrar of a general dispensary where the injured received first-aid treatment, said that almost all of the casualties could have escaped injury if they had stayed away from windows. Flying glass had caused most injuries.



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No Sacrifice Too Great

On occasions we have heard "prattle" about Anglo-American understanding that dripped from the mouth of a speaker in a steady flow, leaving the impression of a sweet goopy mess.

And while such conversation may do no harm it will do little good towards building a bond of lasting friendship between America and the British Empire, for actions speak louder than words. Typical of action was that taken recently by Flying Officer F. E. Wilson, of Australia, who has played a leading role in many sea rescues as a member of a Royal Air Force air-sea rescue squadron.

To save the life of an American pilot shot down by enemy flak over the Channel, Wilson flew in and landed on a sea too rough for a take-off. For four and a half hours after that landing he held on to the wing of his Walrus amphibian in the wintry channel seas until picked up by naval craft. When taken off the Walrus he was so stiff he could not straighten out the arm he had hooked around a strut. After a cup of tea, however, he began to thaw out and after feeding and bathing he and the U.S. pilot he had landed to rescue settled down to reminiscences about Australia. It developed then that Capt. Preedy, the U.S. P47 pilot, had fought for a year in the defense of Darwin, Australia, and New Guinea before coming to the European Theater, and that he and Wilson had many friends in common.

That was a conversation which will long be remembered. It built a tie that will last, and together with thousands of others formed in a similar manner it will help to unite two peoples who believe in their hearts that the welfare of their fellow men is worth any sacrifice and prove it by their actions.

Illicit Postings

Faster mail service is the aim of the War Department, the Army postal authorities and every GI in the service, together with those with whom he corresponds.

To improve the wartime postal service all of us must play ball with the postal authorities, and one method of cooperation involves the elimination of wasted man hours that result from the illicit posting of soldier mail.

Under the army classification of "Illicit Posting" comes all mail dropped without unit censorship into British post offices and mail boxes. Such mail is subject to U.S. army censorship, and the British authorities always intercept these letters and packages in their general post offices and return them to the American army for examination. The harmless letter, so posted, is returned to the writer's unit commander together with a completed mimeographed form explaining the breach of army postal regulations. The time consumed in this journey will vary; for needless to say priority of attention is given to mail posted through proper APO channels. But in time every illicitly posted letter lands back in the writer's lap and delivery time jumps from a few days to several weeks. This is bad enough in itself; but more important is the fact that the handling of such mail slows down other operations and keeps many good men unnecessarily occupied who might otherwise contribute more directly to the war effort.

To insure the prompt delivery of your mail and to speed the delivery of all mail, be sure you post letters and packages through a U.S. Army APO. Then you can gripe about slow service with a clear conscience.

Service Both Ways

Red Cross officials report that requests for emergency communication between families at home and service men overseas are pouring into Red Cross national headquarters at the rate of more than 20,000 a month.

All such communications of an emergency nature are handled if a family has failed to cable or mail has failed to get through to a serviceman or he has been unable to contact his family.

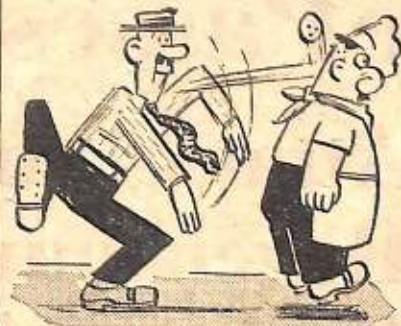
If a family has not heard from a soldier for four months and has reason to be concerned about his welfare the Red Cross will accept an inquiry for transmittal. In case of critical illness or extreme emergency at home the Red Cross also accepts messages to be transmitted from servicemen to their families.

This service has done much to relieve worry and anxiety and the Red Cross wants you to know that it is available to any serviceman when the circumstances justify its use.

Hash Marks

We've heard about guys getting decorated for a certain number of ops and for this and that, but here's a new one. A GI showed us a little ribbon they're giving out at his base to guys who have finished their 100th cup of coffee in the ETO.

This guy would make a good KP: An elderly man was peeling potatoes in the Indianapolis Salvation Army hotel when



a state detective called and told him he was heir to \$600 left by a relative. The recipient of this fortune immediately threw a potato at the cook.

Coincidence of the Week: A Navy lieutenant was kept awake for quite awhile one night by the sound of flak spattering on the tin roof over his head. The next day he received a letter from his wife in the States saying, "I am vacationing in Florida but I don't like it very much. A heavy wind blows through the trees and I am kept awake by the sound of coconuts falling on my cottage roof."

A hike taken by personnel stationed at an ETO air base recently resulted in several red faces. After a lengthy trek the column came in sight of a public rest room; the lieutenant in charge halted the men and barked out the command, "All men who have to—fall out!" He turned to find himself face to face with a group of the village ladies, but equal to the situation he covered up by barking, "As you were!"

Surprise of the Week: James Reese, of New Orleans, answered the ring of his doorbell and found an alligator standing



there. The 'gator had escaped from a nearby zoo. (At first Reese thought he had had too many mild and bitters or something.)

Here's a story about that "browned off" feeling. Harry Shipman, of New York City, was depressed. He slunked his army physical, was fired from his defense job and got thrown out of a saloon—all in the same afternoon. So, a dejected man in a woeful world, he turned in a fire alarm and didn't even bother to run away when the trucks arrived. Arrested, he commented, "I'm glad this day is over!"

J. C. W.

Mud, Mess Kits and Dungarees

'Front Line' Tent Hospital Already Operating in ETO



Toughening up for the second front, U.S. nurses somewhere in Wales line up to sterilize their mess kits before chow in a field kitchen.

A U.S. EVACUATION HOSPITAL, Britain, Feb. 25—Come mud or mire, American Army nurses are ready to slog it out on even terms with men no matter how rough the going when the Western Front opens.

More than 50 of them have been taking care of sick and wounded in a tent hospital here for four months under front line conditions—just to see if they can take it.

The answer is—they can!

They've been wet and they've been muddy and they've had to forget the gleaming, antiseptic smelling operating rooms and wards they knew in big hospitals back home. But they're sending their patients back to duty—which is the real test.

They started with just a muddy field. Ambulances slobbered up in a downpour, the girls tumbled out and there was their hospital. It looked little more than a bog that first day last October, but before long damp and muscle-weary enlisted men had tugged soggy tents into position and the hospital was a going concern.

The nurses' only possessions were the clothes they were wearing, their suitcases and their bedrolls. The Army provided cots and tent stoves to drive out the autumn chill. But the girls had to rig their own clothes stands or foot lockers out of ration crates or packing cases.

They washed out of helmets and ate out of mess kits and took temperatures wearing khaki dungarees and boots. They weren't very glamorous, but they found out they could take good care of their patients even in wards floored with bare earth and walled and roofed with canvas.

The hospital, designed to handle 750

patients, is commanded by Lt. Col. Marshall S. Brown, of Lenox Hill Hospital, New York. 1/Lt. Lillian F. Carter, of New York, is chief nurse. In four months the doctors have treated everything from bullet wounds received in combat training to pneumonia.

"We plan to keep patients not more than 48 hours," Lt. Col. Brown explains. "In that time we get them classified and taken pretty good care of. Shock cases are treated, X-rays taken and operations done. We aim to have the resources of a fully equipped base hospital right in the front line."

The surgery is a 50-foot tent lighted by mobile generators; the operating table a litter supported at either end. The nurses wear scarves over their hair and masks over nose and mouth.

For the girls the most distasteful thing about their camp is not the mud nor the damp 6:30 AM chow line; the chilling run to get a cup of water out of a Lister bag late at night nor the washing in a helmet—but the rats.

Lt. Carter spoke for all her girls when she said:

"We hate rats, but they are something you must be ready to get used to on a battlefield."



What is America?

It's the dreams of billions of dreamers Grown-of the seeds they have sown— A symbol of hope for the future Purchased in blood of their own.

It is more than a number of boundaries And rivers so deep and so long, It's a fortress blocking the pathway, A barrier built against wrong.

It's more than just millions of valleys And plains that are fertile and bright, To a world that is cast into darkness It is hope and a promise of light.

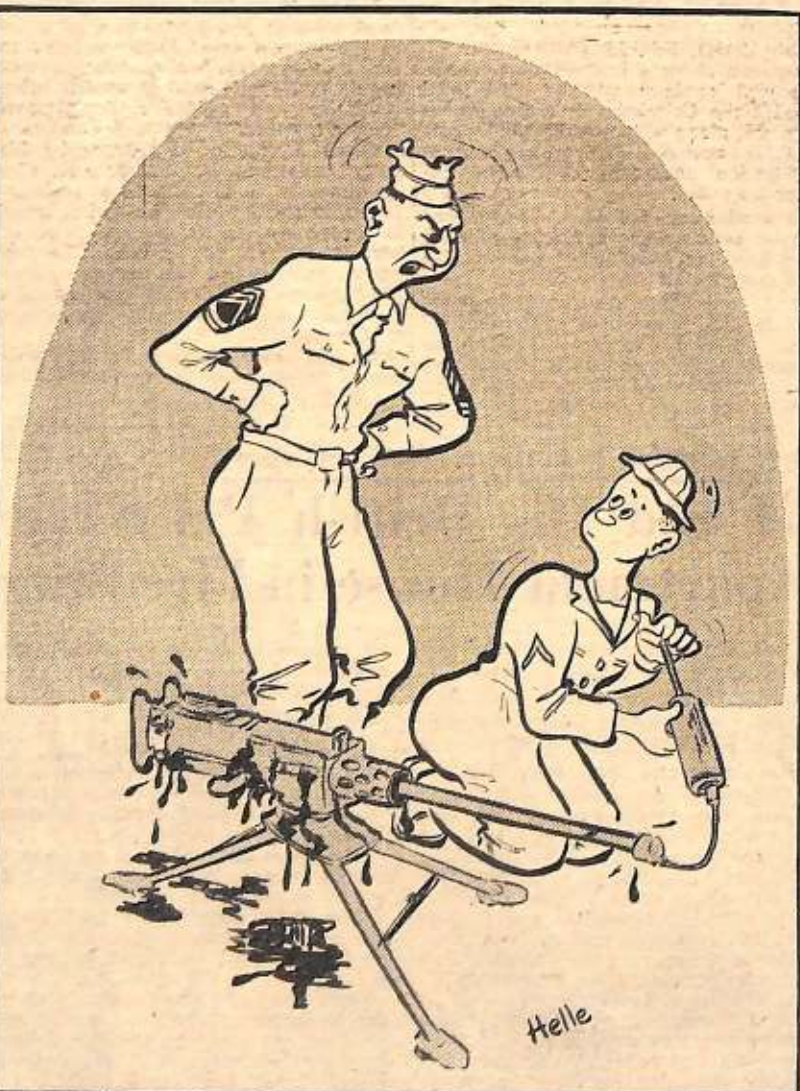
It's more than its snow-capped mountains And shores where the waves dash high, It's a kerchief to dry up the tear drops, A solace for those who cry.

It's more than its well lighted cities And its hustle and bustle by day, It's the hope of the suffering masses And the answer to those who pray.

It's more than a single great nation With a star spangled banner unfurled, It's the rock that was planned at creation, It's the hope of the whole wide world. Sgt. Clement L. Lockwood.

Could Be

Last night I held a little hand, So dainty and so sweet; I thought my heart would surely break, So wildly did it beat. No other hand in all the world, Could greater solace bring. Than the little hand I held last night, Four aces and a king. Cpl. John Magdick.



"Why don't you just stick to your jeep and stop trying to be helpful?"

Notes from the Air Force

S/SGT. Gilbert F. Sullivan, of Sonora, Ky., member of an air depot, helped save the life of a British soldier by quick thinking and intelligent first aid. One thinking and intelligent first aid. One night Sullivan heard a cry of distress from the railroad tracks, and found a British soldier sprawled there, his left arm and right leg badly mangled and bleeding after an attempt to board a departing train; Sullivan applied tourniquets, located a railway official to call an ambulance, and stayed with the soldier until the ambulance had delivered him to a hospital. "Your response to his call for help, and promptness in applying tourniquets probably saved his life," Col. D. G. Stitt, depot commander, said in commending Sullivan.

Two pairs of GI glasses, which he had been fitted for almost two years ago, recently reached 1/Lt. Henry H. Rubenson, of Newark, N.J., member of a Fortress group here. A letter headed "Glasses for Enlisted Man"—Rubenson was a T/5 when his eyes were first examined by the Army—accompanied the specs. "The wonderful thing about it is the specs. The glasses arrived unbroken," Rubenson said. "What's more, after all this time, both the prescription and the frames fitted me perfectly."

PAINTINGS and decorations executed by T/4 Olga M. Hunchak, of Pleasant City, Ohio, member of a WAC detachment at a heavy-bombardment division headquarters, for the officers' mess, have earned special commendation from Brig. Gen. Curtis LeMay, division commander. Time, effort and labor which the WAC expended after duty hours showed "a spirit of wholehearted, willing co-operation truly representative of the good soldier," Gen. LeMay stated.

It's not foreign service in England for Sgt. Leonard C. Rowland, member of an Eighth Air Force fighter wing. Although born in Brooklyn, he has lived in Sheffield, England, for 38 years. His family brought him from Brooklyn to England when he was two years old, and he now has a family of his own in Sheffield.

TO 1/Lt. Edwin Herron, Fortress pilot, goes credit for one of the most incredible one-man rescues in Eighth Air Force operations. A "rookie" pilot on his fourth mission, Herron had to crash-land his B17 in the Channel on the way out of France after a recent raid and in short order floated a dinghy, pulled six half-conscious survivors out of the sinking ship and the water, administered first aid to some severely wounded, took over the role of cheer leader and eventually helped all six to board an Air/Sea Rescue launch.

This Is The Army

A NUMBER of men from a Negro signal construction company, bivouaced in pup tents during a job which required the stringing of over 30 miles of telephone wire, fought a bitter campaign against English field rats, who invaded their tent area with maddening regularity.

Chief casualty was Sgt. Lewis S. Brown, of Crossett, Ark. One of the daring, convivial rodents crawled right up to him while he was still awake and kissed him with a resounding smack square on his lower lip, leaving a tiny cut.

Brown's tent mate states that the sergeant, resenting the rat's affections, leaped to his feet, taking half the tent with him, and dashed into a clearing the better to engage Brother Rat. But the rat had made his departure.

Invalided out of the Army after serving in the ETO, Sgt. Herbert Millman rushed back to Britain as fast as a boat could carry him to marry his fiancée, Eve Watkins, a British nurse.

After returning to America on his discharge, Millman joined the merchant marine and was assigned to a ship bound for Britain.

CPL. Joseph D. Scull, of Washington, when on pass from Lt. Col. Einar A. Malmstrom's fighter base, spends most of his time telling British children about life in America.

Equipped with snapshots, postcards and folders, Scull, former librarian at St. John's College in Washington, visits nearby schools and answers questions on topics ranging from food rationing to cowboys and Indians.

He reports that the children are intensely curious about Hollywood stars and gangsters and are "intrigued" by samples of American money—so intrigued that "they want to keep them as souvenirs."

A sleeveless slipover sweater knitted 27 years ago for an engineer staff sergeant in World War I is today being worn by his engineer officer son in Britain.

It was knitted in 1918 for S/Sgt. Robert Wymer, of Poland, Ohio, who was in France with the 35th Engineers. Before the son, 1/Lt. Robert Wymer Jr., now company commander of an aviation engineer unit, came overseas, his father gave him the sweater.

IT isn't according to the book, but this is the way Pvt. Newell Cray, of Paul Smith's, N.Y., worked it while on sentry duty near the post's ARC club. "Halt! Who is there?" he shouted. "An ARC worker with tea and scones," a feminine voice answered. "Pass ARC worker, advance tea and scones to be digested," said Cray.



# Sports SIDELIGHTS

Ossie Cowles, former Dartmouth cage coach now in the Navy, proved quite a long-distance forecaster. Asked early in the season if Dartmouth would dog down when Gus Broberg, the Indian's all-time high scorer, graduated, Cowles replied, "Hell, no, we've got a kid named Brindley that will make them forget all about Broberg."

The Chicago Bears are taking a little raking over the coals for their failure to kick in with a share of the football championship dough for Bob Steuber, now in the Navy. Steuber was with the Bears in all their exhibitions and the first league game, before the Navy got him. The Washington Redskins took care of Johnny Goodyear under similar circumstances and they got only second money, at that.

A few years ago a 15-year-old kid fanned Hack Wilson three times in an exhibition game. His parents wouldn't let him turn pro then. Now he's coming up to the White Sox for a trial. The boy is Tony Annoreno, and the Sox expect great things from him.

When Dartmouth and Notre Dame signed a two-year football agreement recently it started a lot of firsts: it will be the first meeting between the two schools; it will mark the first New England appearance for Notre Dame; it will be the first time that Frank Leahy returns to competition in the section where he made his record; and it will be the first crack that Dartmouth coach Earl Brown has at his alma mammy.

This is going to be a castoffs' year in the majors. Here are guys who have been in and out of the majors and are getting another shot this year: Johnny Dickshot with the White Sox, Ed Levy with the Yanks, Roy Hughes with the Cubs, Max Macon with the Braves, Phil Weintraub with the Giants, Luke Hamlin with the Athletics, Nick Strincevich with the Pirates, Joe Orenge with Detroit, Glenn Russel with the Phillies, Eddie Mayo with Detroit, Jojo White with the Athletics and Hal Trosky with the White Sox.



Jojo White

Marine Lt. Dave Rankin, the former Purdue football star, recently bagged a pair of Jap bombers in the South Pacific. . . Lt. Bob Kennedy, former White Sox third baseman, recently was graduated from Pensacola as a Marine flyer. . .

Maj. Vernon "Catfish" Smith, the old Georgia All-American end, is administrative officer at Birmingham Air Base. . . President Ray Dumont of the National Baseball Congress has a plan all set up for his organization to sponsor a series of nation-wide schools with free tuition for young ball players after the war is over. The object is to get more sandlot and minor league teams to furnish more big league talent for the postwar years.

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**APOs Wanted**  
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PAUL Bailey, Sharon, Pa.; Pic Laurel Danford, Dayton, Ohio; Cpl. David Edovitz, Chester, Erwin, Long Beach, Cal.; B. Gravely and Francis Pa.; Charles Gazi, Mount, Va.; Louis Harris, Gravelly, Rocky, Mount, Va.; Louis Harris, Chicago; Sgt. George Hobbs, Bridgeport, Pa.; Sgt. Earl Jacobson, Detroit; Pic J. M. Lachusa, Rochester, N.Y.; Pic J. Lattuca, Brooklyn, N.Y.; CAPT. John Lyman, M.C. Sgt. James M. Mechan, Jackson Heights, N.Y.; S/1st. Ted Myers; Capt. John R. Parkhill, Tampa, Fla.; Pvt. Clarence William Pierce; Milton Rheinfield, NYC; Sgt. Harry Rieff, Pueblo, Colo.; Ensign George Roland, Long Island, N.Y.; Sgt. Sue Sarfahan, WAC; Pvt. George P. Schwind, Fryburg, N.D.  
WILFRED Senecal, Holyoke, Mass.; Walter Sherman, Bremerton, Wash.; Pic Robert J. Stockler; Pvt. Elias Tornick; Lt. Barton Watson; Olen Willis, East Tallahassee, Ala.; Pierce Carrey, New Orleans, La.; Jack Marrard, Toledo, Ohio; Pvt. Jerry V. Bianconi, Cal.; Pvt. Aubrey P. Armstrong; S/Sgt. Edward Shluter and 3 Lt. Andrew I. McGirr, Philadelphia; Lt. Robert Rhodes, Arkadelphia, Mo.; Lt. Richard Le Fevre, Chicago; Lt. Jere Collins, Philadelphia.

**Lost**  
RING, gold, black onyx setting. Initial "D." Feb. 12 in Bath.—Sgt. William L. Dearing, 34537972.  
COAT, someone took mine and left his at Jean's Cafe, Luton. My name and ASN in m.c. The other is size 36 R.—Pvt. D. Blumberg, 12077627.  
RINGS, wedding and class rings, left in washroom at Liberty ARC, Reading, Feb. 18. Will finder leave them at Red Cross Club office or send them to me. Reward.—Cpl. Harold Sisson, 32475327.

**Found**  
MUSSETTE Bag in Bury St. Edmunds railway station, containing T/Set. stripes, flashlight, towels, etc. Owner probably took mine by mistake.—Lt. S. A. Karp.

**Wanted**  
ACCORDION.—Sgt. James Baracani.

**Concert**  
BY Cavaliere Patrick Keelan, Charleston (S.C.), tenor (formerly of Italy) at St. Paul's Church, Covent Garden, March 14, at 1 P.M. Admission free.

## Tacoma Still After Sacramento Franchise

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 25—Tacoma's baseball-minded citizenry claim they own the Sacramento franchise in the Pacific Coast League on the basis of a payment of \$50,000 last week to Sam Brendon, president of the St. Louis Cardinals and owner of the Sacramento club. The League's board of directors voted Tuesday to sell the franchise to Sacramento citizens who, headed by the sports editor and a cafe owner, raised the price by popular subscription.

## Rangers Draw With Wings, 3-3

NEW YORK, Feb. 25—After three periods of innocent amusement, the New York Rangers and Detroit Red Wings played to a 3-3 tie before 10,091 fans in Madison Square Garden last night.

The underdog Rangers, who haven't won in 12 games and who gained the dubious honor of clinching last place Tuesday night when they bowed to the Chicago Black Hawks, seemed jubilant to gain a draw.

## Hockey League Standings

Team	W	L	T	Pts.	Team	W	L	T	Pts.
Montreal	29	4	7	65	Chicago	17	18	4	38
Detroit	20	14	6	46	Boston	16	20	4	36
Toronto	19	19	4	42	New York	6	32	3	15

The Rangers tallied one goal in each period, holding a 1-0 lead at the end of the first on Billy Gooden's marker. The Wings tied the count early in the second period with Don Grosso tallying unassisted. The Ranger cause was aided by Detroit's Bill Jennings when he batted the puck into his own goal, Dutch Hiller getting credit for the goal. Detroit again knotted the score in the third period on Murray Armstrong's marker and went ahead when Carl Liscomb joined the scoring parade. Bryan Hextall brought the Rangers even at the 11-minute mark, taking the rubber in front of the Detroit net to score.

## Canadiens Slap Leaf Six, 3-1

MONTREAL, Feb. 25—Scoring all their goals in the second period and icing the game 28 seconds after the stanza started, the League-leading Montreal Canadiens won their 29th victory in 40 starts, defeating the Toronto Maple Leafs, 3-1, last night.

Ray Getliff started the scoring 18 seconds after the session started, taking passes from Watson and Lamoreaux and beating Goalie Bibeault with a hard shot. Watson tallied ten seconds later for the deciding marker. Elwyn Morris brought jeers from the crowd with a long shot that drifted slowly by Canadian Goalie Durman. The scoring was ended by Toe Blake just before the buzzer sounded when he netted a back-hand shot.

## St. John's Accepts Bid To Garden Cage Playoffs

BROOKLYN, N.Y., Feb. 25—St. John's University readily accepted a bid to the National Invitation Tournament in Madison Square Garden next month. The invitation was tendered after the Redmen defeated NYU in a sensational finish in the Garden Wednesday night. St. John's was the fourth team invited to the tournament with four more to be selected. Indications are that one will be LIU. Other teams chosen are Kentucky, Oklahoma Aggies and Utah.

## Frisch in Hospital

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 25—Pittsburgh Pirate manager Frankie Frisch, recently returned from a prolonged tour of the Aleutians and Alaska with other baseball men to entertain troops, has entered a hospital here for a minor operation. The nature of his ailment was not disclosed.

## Li'l Abner



# Blues Favored to Defeat Navy

## Infantry Eleven Bulwarked by Ex-Eagle Back

Division Squad Has Heavy Weight Advantage in Line, Backfield

By Gene Graff

A SOUTHWEST TOWN, Feb. 25—Coach Harry Weinker, readying his Navy SeaBees for their football test against the Infantry Blues here Sunday, hasn't resorted to posting "Stop Thompson" signs around camp, but that doesn't mean his huskies will be permitted to forget the name of their current public enemy No. 1.

Thompson, the same Tommy who cut a fancy figure in the Philadelphia Eagles' backfield before induction, again will head the formidable GI Blues, who annexed the ETO grid crown without apparent exertion. In his most recent appearance, the versatile triple-theater staged a one-man gang exhibition as the Blues routed the highly-regarded Invaders, 28-7. If the SeaBees succeed in shackling Thompson—a feat strong clubs couldn't accomplish—they'll still have a busy afternoon checking the other Blue ball carriers. Lt. James Holston, Blue coach who prepped at West Texas State College, has so much talent on the squad his only problem is giving everybody a chance.

Has Subs Aplenty

Dick Dreher, hard-smashing fullback from N. Hollywood, Cal., will be in his familiar position, while Don Kelly, 205-pounder from Denver, Colo., and Jimmy Bayne, of Warsaw, Ind., 195, have drawn halfback assignments.

The Blues will unveil a newcomer to ETO football fans, but no stranger to the collegiate circuit in the States. He is Lt. Forest Ferguson, a rangy end from Florida U. who toured the country as a member of the Army All-Stars.

The weight chart gives Holston additional reason to smile. His line, which demonstrated its ability to outfight heavier opposition in previous tests, will average 22 pounds more per man than the SeaBees. In the backfield the sailors' deficit is 21 pounds per man.

No Alibis

Weinker, ex-coach at the University of British Columbia, realizes that the SeaBees will be lucky to beat the Blues, but he isn't offering any alibis or excuses. "We're playing a tough gang," he acknowledged, "but we'll have a few tricks of our own to keep the Blues from dozing off."

Weinker, 182-pound halfback, will handle the SeaBees' kicking and passing chores from a single wing back formation. Remainder of the starting backfield includes: Paul Lisee, 171-pound quarterback from Windham, Ohio; Fullback Ebbie Nickle, of Portsmouth, Ohio, and Ralph Spencer, 164-pound halfback from Champaign, Ill.

Although the Navy has a carload of worries, stopping Thompson and Company at the right side of the line is not one of them. The Blues' quick-opening slants aren't expected to make much headway against George Nicholas, 202-pound tackle from Port Arthur, Texas; John Zajick, 182-pound guard from Fort Wayne, Ind., and Lt. (jg) Lou Young, ex-Dartmouth end and captain.

The Blues are superior in every department—on paper. But it's an Army-Navy game and that means comparative figures can be discarded. Underdogs have upset the apple cart too often in the past.

## Pitches—and Catches

# Baugh Adds to Grid Feats With New Interception Mark

CHICAGO, Feb. 25—Slingin' Sammy Baugh, whose reputation for hurling passes is known far and wide, can also catch them, National Football League statistics reveal.

Baugh intercepted 11 passes in ten games, establishing a new record for professional gridlers. He set a game mark against Detroit, Nov. 14, grabbing four aerials intended for Lion receivers.

Just behind Baugh was Irv Comp, Green Bay's rookie halfback, with ten interceptions, and Don Hutson, the

## Popular Pick By Pap



## Harrington Is Slated to Plug Gap at Short for Cincinnati

CINCINNATI, Feb. 25—The Cincinnati Reds can chuckle softly at the Selective Service people, especially since they are coming up with a young fellow who promises to do fairly well in the one infield spot where the Reds were hardest hit—second base.

Lonnie Frey's induction was the stiffest jolt the Reds suffered, if you consider that he was a key-man in Bill McKechnie's defensive operations. McKechnie has a peculiar idea that they can't beat you if they don't score and for that reason he always has tried to put out the best defensive infield available.

But if Roland Harrington, recently obtained from Syracuse in the International League, performs according to advance promises by those who saw him in action, Frey's shoes are adequately filled. Jewel Ens, who managed the Syracuse club, reports that Harrington is a fast, sure-handed infielder who will fit nicely into McKechnie's scheme.

"Harrington is a first-rate fielder and fast on his feet," Ens said. "I allowed him to do a lot of bastrunning last year and he led the loop in thefts with 52."

Gabby Hartnett, who ran the Jersey City Giants, saw more than enough of Harrington from the "wrong side" of the field.

"I won't say that he will outclass Frey on double plays," Gabby remarked, "but he will make a lot of double plays, particularly with Eddie Miller playing shortstop. I don't think Harrington will find National League pitching too tough. He isn't a home run hitter because he hasn't the weight, but he pesters you with singles."

Harrington's physical appearance will help him in his campaign to make the Cincinnati fans forget Frey. He is built just about the same as Lonnie, not the beefy, slugging type, but light, quick and nimble.

Last year at Syracuse, Harrington, a left-handed batsman, played in 134 games and hit .291. Of his 145 safe hits, 22 were doubles, seven were triples and five were homers.

## CAGE RESULTS

Dow Chemical 57, Provo All-Stars 43  
Haverford 68, Philadelphia Marines 64  
N. Carolina State 42, Maryland 22  
Oklahoma Aggies 58, Denver 23  
Salt Lake Air Base 44, Buckley Field 43  
VPI 38, Davidson 34  
W. Virginia 68, Geneva 59

## Hockey Results

Buffalo 6, Indianapolis 6

## Santa Anita to House German Prisoners

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 25—German soldiers will live in spacious Santa Anita race track as soon as remodeling work is completed, Army authorities have revealed.

The race plant, one of the world's finest, has been used as an Ordnance training center, and before that as a rehabilitation center for Japanese. There has been no racing there since Pearl Harbor.

## By Al Capp





# Roving Carrier Fleet Strikes Marshall Japs

## Planes Follow Up Truk, Marianas Blows With Raids on Atolls

Carrier-based naval planes of the roving U.S. Pacific fleet shifted back to the Marshall Islands area to blast at the remaining enemy atolls after dealing the Japs two of the most daring blows of the entire war with raids on Truk, in the Carolines, and two bases in the Marianas.

Huge fires were started on one Jap base—identity of which was not disclosed—which left two plane hangars destroyed and a radio station completely demolished with a single direct hit, Adm. Chester W. Nimitz, Pacific chief, announced last night.

There was no Jap fighter opposition, and all U.S. planes returned safely to their carriers.

In the Southwest Pacific, meanwhile, an Allied ring of steel has clamped down on the Japanese trying to move troops out of the Bismarck Archipelago.

The first Japanese bid to get out was smashed by U.S. destroyers running down a Japanese escorted convoy moving northwards from Kavieng, New Ireland. The destroyers sank two transports, a destroyer and nine barges.

More than 330 Japanese troops were drowned during the sinking of one of the transports—a vessel of 3,500 tons—and only 72 men were picked up by the destroyers.

About 164 tons of bombs were dropped on the ruins of Rabaul, Jap base at the northeastern end of New Britain, in the latest phase of the air assault, carried out by waves of heavy U.S. bombers based in the Solomons.

Allied destroyers shelled airdromes and docks at Kavieng.

### 'This Is The Army' Nets \$322,000 in ETO Benefits

NEW YORK, Feb. 25—"This Is The Army" raised \$322,000 for British charities in its ETO performances, Irving Berlin, its producer, told newsmen last night on his return from London by Clipper.

"The British expected a flag-waving, patriotic show, but were pleasantly surprised to see that the American Army had taken time out to take a poke at itself," he said.

The show will open in Algiers in April, and from there will go to Oran, Palermo and Naples.

### Bonded Stock

RUSHVILLE, Neb., Feb. 25—Tavern keeper Sam Himm is giving each purchaser of a \$1,000 War Bond a quart of whisky.

# Gen. Doolittle On Air Tonight

## His AFN Subject: Shangri La

Maj. Gen. James H. Doolittle, commander of the Eighth Air Force, will be heard tonight at 8.10 on "Take The Air," American Forces Network-U.S. Forces program. Gen. Doolittle will speak of the aircraft carrier Shangri La, launched Thursday and named after the mythical Tokyo bombing base.

Others on the broadcast will be Lt. Col. Glenn Duncan, Houston, Texas, Thunderbolt fighter-bomber group commander; Maj. Curtis Bergen, Hoisington, Kan., Fortress wing leader who participated in last Sunday's raid on Leipzig; Lt. James Morris, Detroit, P38 pilot who bagged four Nazi planes in one day, and Lt. J. F. Luna, Helena, Mont., USAF officer attached to an RCAF Mosquito base.

"Rhapsody in Khaki," mobile AFN feature, on the air Sundays at 5.30 PM, tomorrow will present GI talent from Southern Base Section.

The "Your Town" program, heard Sunday morning at 11, moves to North Carolina for radio news letters of Raleigh, Charlotte and Goldsboro.

Beginning tomorrow, Cpl. Johnny Kerr's "Barracks Bag," AFN matinee request program, shifts to 12.10 PM and will expand to a full seven-day-a-week schedule.

### Saturday, Feb. 26

- 1375 kc. 1402 kc. 1411 kc. 1420 kc. 1447 kc. 218.1m. 215.9m. 212.6m. 211.3m. 207.3m.
- 1100—GI Jive.
- 1115—Personal Album with Betty Grable.
- 1130—Downbeat.
- 1200—The Little Orchestra (BBC).
- 1230—Chamber Music Society of Lower Basin Street.
- 1300—World News (BBC).
- 1310—Miss Parade.
- 1330—Hello India—Special feature to the GIs in India.
- 1400—Ranch House.
- 1430—Sign off until 1700 hours.
- 1700—Sign on—Yank Swing Session and Program Resume.
- 1730—Atlantic Spotlight (BBC).
- 1800—World News (BBC).
- 1810—GI Supper Club.
- 1900—Seven O'Clock Sports.
- 1905—Waltz Time with Abe Lyman's Orchestra and Frank Munn.
- 1930—Dinah Shore Program.
- 2000—News From Home—Nightly roundup of news from the U.S.A. with Cpl. Ford Kennedy.
- 2010—Take the Air.
- 2030—GI Journal.
- 2100—World News (BBC).
- 2120—American Commentary—Alistair Cooke.
- 2135—All Time Hit Parade.
- 2200—Xavier Cugat.
- 2230—One Night Stand with Les Brown.
- 2255—Final Edition.
- 2300—Sign off until 0800 hours, Sunday, Feb. 27.

# U.S. Army in Australia Makes It Tough on Cupid

CANBERRA, Australia, Feb. 25 (Reuter)—Every American serviceman who wishes to marry an Australian girl must now wait for six months, giving the Army time to determine whether the girl has her parents' permission and check the soldier's peacetime employment record and home conditions.

Australian Sen. Dorothy Tangey said the U.S. Army had taken this action because of recent publicity given to unhappy marriages between Americans and Australian girls.

# Senate, 72 to 14, Enacts Tax Bill

(Continued from page 1) interpretations which I put upon it in my address to the Senate."

"I realize that in these terrific times you are burdened with a responsibility such as no American President has ever borne," he said. "Throughout this perilous period my heart has gone out to you in sympathetic understanding, not only of your great responsibility, but your high purpose in meeting that responsibility."

"I want you to know that faith in you endures in me today and will continue to endure because I have recognized in you the spokesman of the people. . . ."

Earlier Rep. Harold Knutson (R-Minn.), chairman of the House Ways and Means committee, announced plans to introduce a bill which would make the Bureau of Internal Revenue an agency independent of the Treasury Department, "so that it may serve both the President and Congress, unfettered by theorists and star-gazers in the Treasury."

He called for "a complete shakeup of the policy-making personnel in the Treasury," contending that Congress was "unable to rely upon Treasury tax recommendations or the information upon which such recommendations are based."

### One Thing After Another

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Feb. 25—Bert Moon, 64, swallowed a wad of chewing gum. It lodged in his lung, producing an infection. The infection led to pneumonia. Pneumonia forced Bert to cough. Coughing dislodged the gum. Doctors say he's recovering.

### New Device Heats Propellor

AKRON, Ohio, Feb. 25—The Good-year Co. reports development of an anti-ice "boot" for airplane propellor blades. The boot is made of synthetic rubber compounded to conduct electricity and permits heating of the propellor.

# Alexander Inspects Beachhead Yanks



American soldiers fighting on the Cisterna sector of the beachhead smile after their British commander-in-chief, Gen. Sir Harold Alexander, had made an unsuspected inspection. The U.S. troops, unshaven and wearing battle-soiled clothes, apologized to Gen. Alexander for their appearance, who laughed it off with: "Well, I knew I was going to inspect, so I shaved for you."

# Germans Mass Ten Divisions For Third Assault at Anzio

Ten German divisions last night were massing along the perimeter of the Anzio bridgehead for a third great assault as reports from the Eighth Army front along the Adriatic told of a developing British offensive.

With the arrival at the bridgehead of the 362nd Infantry Division, rushed from the north by Marshal Kesselring to bolster his weakened forces, Nazi strength below Rome increased to 19 divisions, nine of which are along the Eighth Army and main Fifth Army fronts.

# Reich Pounded 6th Day in Row

(Continued from page 1) from both Britain and the Mediterranean area.

7—As the Regensburg attack began, heavy bombers lashed at the Luftwaffe's plants in Stuttgart, 450 airline miles from London. Stuttgart, one of the most important engineering centers in Germany, has large plants turning out ball-bearings, engines and other parts vital to the air force.

American fighter planes made their longest trip in ETO history in the Regensburg attack yesterday. Both P38s and P51Bs of the Eighth Air Force flew all the way to the target and back, a trip of about 1,100 miles. Berlin is approximately the same distance.

Losses of the American forces yesterday had not been announced late last night. The Thursday raids on Schweinfurt, Gotha and scattered other targets cost 49 bombers and 75 fighters, and the RAF lost 35 aircraft in its night attacks on Schweinfurt and other targets.

In the previous 15 operations this month, the Eighth Air Force has lost 209 heavy bombers and 75 fighters, and has claimed a total of 583 enemy aircraft destroyed—248 by the bombers and 335 by the fighters.

Maj. Warren A. Polking, of San Antonio, Tex., who led a Liberator group yesterday, said visibility was perfect for bombing.

"It was a long trip—nine hours—and the enemy fighters were up in full force. Our excellent fighter escort helped make the mission a highly successful one."

Many of the Fortress crews who participated in yesterday's raid on Regensburg also took part in the last one on the same target Aug. 17.

Capt. Dunstan Abel, lead navigator from Scranton, Pa., said the day was perfect for precision bombing, and it was apparent the mission was as successful as last summer's.

Maj. George W. Von Arb, of Kansas City, Kan., co-pilot of the B17 Cabin in the Sky, reported little fighter opposition.

# Florida Guests Can't Get Gas For Trip North

## Thousands of Tourists' Cars Are Stranded By Ration Board's Ban

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 25 (AP)—A negative reply by Florida ration board officials has stranded thousands of vacationers who are without gasoline to make the trip northward.

Hundreds of requests are being rejected daily as the winter holiday period draws to a close after its busiest season in ten years.

Many winter visitors in Miami are shipping their cars home by rail. At St. Petersburg a tourists' committee has been formed to appeal the ration board decision.

The district OPA ordered Florida ration boards to "continue your policy of not issuing supplemental gasoline for driving from winter homes to permanent residences irrespective of carelessness and disregard of regulations by northern boards."

All the motorists who came to Florida to avoid the cold were given gasoline for the southward trip by their home boards.

### Warmer in the Car

BALTIMORE, Feb. 25—Mrs. Verna Mace, divorcee, testified she hid five hours in the trunk of her husband's car in freezing weather while he made love to another woman. She is suing Mrs. Jean A. Landsman, whom she identified as the woman, for \$100,000 for alienation of affections. She said she hid in the trunk three times to spy on her husband.

### Rubber Shortage Looms

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25 (Reuter)—The American-British-Canadian Raw Materials Board stated today that the United Nations are consuming natural rubber at a considerably greater rate than they are receiving it. The board warned that before the end of the year the supply would be below a safe minimum.

### Temporary Jobs for Three

OSSINING, N.Y., Feb. 25—Sing Sing's death house has its first woman guest in almost eight years. She is Mrs. Helen Fowler, 36, sentenced to die in the electric chair for a holdup killing. Three matrons were hired to care for her.

### Granddaddy Drafted

UTICA, N.Y., Feb. 25—Chester J. Mazurowski was inducted into the Army recently, and his wife, three children and a six-month-old granddaughter were on hand to see him off. He has four brothers in the Army.

### 500,000 Civil Planes

NEW YORK, Feb. 25 (Reuter)—In the ten years following the war the United States will have about 500,000 civil airplanes, most of them privately owned, Charles I. Stanton, administrator of civil aeronautics, predicted yesterday.

### Last Quadruplet Dies

DECATUR, Ala., Feb. 25 (Reuter)—Diane Hutto, last of the quadruplets born to Mrs. Spencer Hutto, 23-year-old wife of a paratrooper, died yesterday.

# Argentine Coup Ousts Ramirez, Pro-Axis Officers Seize Control

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, Feb. 25—A pro-Axis group of army officers ousted President Gen. Pedro Ramirez of Argentina today—reportedly at gunpoint—and seized control of the government.

Telephone communication between Buenos Aires and Montevideo was cut and even diplomatic calls were cancelled, but before the line went dead newsmen in the Argentine capital filed unconfirmed reports that Ramirez was forced out by an armed revolt led by Gen. Luis Perlinger, Minister of the Interior.

The only official news of the coup was an Argentine Ministry of War statement issued in the name of Gen. Ramirez. Addressed to the Argentine people, it said he had been "exhausted" by his work and forced "to take a rest on this date," and therefore he was delegating his office to Gen. Edelmirio Farrell, Vice-President and Minister of War.

Unconfirmed reports said that troops of the Buenos Aires garrison under command of Col. Eduardo Avalos, commander of Campo de Mayo, seized strategic points in the capital's outskirts

even as Gen. Perlinger, supported by Col. Avalos, confronted Ramirez at a cabinet meeting in the War Ministry with a demand for his resignation.

These reports said Ramirez signed at the point of a gun and later was taken prisoner. Up to the time telephone communication was broken no fighting had occurred, although some Argentine forces were believed loyal to Ramirez.

The deposed President, who took office last June after another coup, was reported to have formed a new cabinet designed for closer collaboration with the other American republics just before he was overthrown.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25—Reports of overnight developments in Argentina "give ground for concern," Acting Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius told a press conference today.

"It is possible that questions may be raised affecting the security of the hemisphere which might well call for an exchange of information and views among the American republics," he said.

# Terry and the Pirates

