

## Yanks Learn About Tommy's Army Day Assaults Follow Heavy RAF Attacks From Britain, Italy

The Allied invasion force will be an army in which Yank and Tommy will work together. In the vocabulary of supreme headquarters, "we" no longer means "Americans" or "British." It means the two. . . . In preparation for the mutual job, American soldiers have been on exchange visits with British units and vice versa. What they have learned of each other has been healthily enlightening. Here is the first of two articles describing the reactions of both—today the American, tomorrow the British.

By Richard Wilbur  
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"Because of the British soldier's extreme politeness, you would think he was a sissy, but he is far from that, for he is a tough and rugged soldier." A sergeant, signal corps.

"There is nothing strange or freakish about the British soldier. He responds to friendship, has a good sense of humor, and is very cooperative. The only difference is his accent and his way of saying things. Overlook his accent, learn his way of saying things so you speak the same language, and you'll discover a fine, lasting friend and the best fighting companion you'll ever want next to you in battle." A staff sergeant, infantry.

"Whatever he does, he puts everything he's got into it. I saw a platoon of them wet and shivering from the cold, but they kept on smiling and I did not hear any bitching from any of them." A corporal, infantry.

"I can see that they are good soldiers to go into combat with." A corporal, field artillery.

These remarks about British Tommies were made by GIs who lived, worked, talked, slept and ate side by side with them at British camps in the ETO for a short period. The remarks are taken from direct, outspoken U.S. Army reports—quoting GI opinions—that summed up results of a "lend-lease" exchange of personnel between the American and British Armies.

A tank destroyer group, which turned in the most severely critical of all the reports, summarized results of the exchange this way:

"Most of the American personnel state that their impressions of the British soldier and army have changed 100 per cent.

"The general consensus of the exchanged personnel



Sgt. Harold Hobley, British ack-ack gunner, explains the bearing dial of a British gun to Pfc Clifford D. Smith, of Grove City, Pa., at a gun site where American and British soldiers are working together.

was that the exchange visits should be continued by all means."

Since last October, the "lend-lease" system of exchange (Continued on page 2)

## Day Assaults Follow Heavy RAF Attacks From Britain, Italy

### Lights On Again Where They First Went Out

HONOLULU, May 4 (AP)—Black-out of the Hawaiian Islands, in effect since Pearl Harbor, will be lifted tonight on orders of Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, military governor. For the first 19 months after the Japanese attack, blackout was total. After that it was partly lifted and replaced by a system of controlled lighting.

### Airfields Pounded; Tank-Truck Center, Bucharest Hit

Multiple blows from both Britain and the South heaped new destruction on German airfields, communications and supplies yesterday, the 20th consecutive day of Allied pre-invasion air assault.

Heavy bombers, mediums and fighters from Britain attacked airfields and other targets in Holland and France in daylight, following two great night thrusts at the Nazis' anti-invasion supply system. One was a 1,500-ton assault by the RAF on a large German tank-truck depot at Mailly, southeast of Rheims; the other the first night raid on Bucharest by Mediterranean-based Halifaxes and Liberators. Bucharest, capital of Rumania, is one of the most important communications centers in Europe.

In Washington, meanwhile, Secretary of War Henry L. Stimson declared that Allied bombers were smashing enemy communications faster than they could be replaced.

The air offensive also is cutting so heavily into German fighter strength and production, he said, that the Nazis now offer virtually no opposition to bomber formations but send their pursuit planes mainly against raiders of group size or against stragglers.

From Berlin itself came an admission that the German army's transport facilities are intensively dislocated. It was contained in a Berlin report to the Gazette Lausanne in Switzerland, which said that "French and Belgian trains circulate without a timetable; a journey which normally takes two hours now takes ten."

### Forts Attack Airfields

This was the cuedging which the Germans took from possibly 1,000 Allied planes in daylight:

1—One combat wing of Flying Fortresses attacked German airfields in Holland. All returned safely, and their escorting P47s, P38s and P51s shot down nine enemy aircraft. Three American fighters failed to return.

2—Marauders and Havocs tore into military installations at many points in northern France, escorted by American and British Thunderbolts and Lightnings, and returned without loss.

3—RAF and Allied Mitchells of the Second Tactical Air Force poured explosives on still more military objectives in northern France.

4—American Mustangs swept in over the Hanover and Brunswick areas.

The Luftwaffe concentrated its defenses yesterday in combating the early-morning attack by perhaps 750 RAF heavy bombers on the big artillery depot at Mailly. Forty-nine RAF planes failed to return from the night's operations, which also included attacks on aircraft stores at Mondidier, France; an ammunition dump at Chateaudun and targets in Ludwigshafen. Fighter opposition at Mailly was as fierce as the crews had seen for some time, they said, and dogfights raged for 40 miles on the homeward flight.

The attack, which resulted in large explosions and fires, was described by the Air Ministry as "another blow at German tank strength, recently much weakened by very heavy damage done to one of the largest producers of tank engines in Germany—the Maybach Motorenbau at Friedrichshafen."

High-scoring fighter pilot in the daylight operations was Capt. James N. Wood, of Riverton, N.J., a P47 pilot, who reported knocking down three FW190s, bringing his total to five.

Wood said the combat started when (Continued on page 4)

## Dewey's Slate Beats Stassen's In South Dakota

### Roosevelt Delegates Win In Florida; Hill, Pepper Gain Renomination

WASHINGTON, May 4—Dewey-pledged convention candidates triumphed in South Dakota and candidates pledged to President Roosevelt were victorious in Florida in presidential-preference primaries in those two states, tabulations showed today.

Meanwhile, nearly complete returns revealed that Administration stalwarts Lister Hill, of Alabama, and Claude E. Pepper, of Florida, had won renomination in their states' senatorial primaries. Sen. Chan Gurney, South Dakota Republican, also seeking renomination, led Lt. Gov. A. C. Miller, 33,416—25,739.

In the presidential-preference voting in South Dakota, delegates committed to the New York Republican governor garnered 28,456 votes to the 19,301 accorded the slate favoring Lt. Cmdr. Harold E. Stassen, former Minnesota governor now in the Navy.

### Byrd Gets 3 Delegates

Fifteen candidates pledged to Mr. Roosevelt and three pledged to Sen. Harry F. Byrd, of Virginia, led in the Florida contest to select 18 delegates to the Democratic National Convention. Neither the President nor Byrd had sanctioned the campaigns of their supporters.

Pepper, winning renomination over four opponents, received more than 50 per cent of the total vote, thus avoiding the necessity for a run-off primary in Florida. The New Dealer received 164,612 votes against the combined total of 156,832 for his opponents.

In Alabama, Hill termed his victory a triumph for the policies of Mr. Roosevelt. Nearly complete returns from Tuesday's election gave Hill 116,438 votes and his opponent, James A. Simpson, 91,687.

Final official returns of Nebraska's primary last month disclosed that George (Continued on page 4)

## German Losses 500,000 in Six Wks., Reds Say

### Nazis Again Tell of Battles Near Jassy; Russian Bombers Strike Anew

German losses of troops and equipment in March and the first half of April exceeded the Stalingrad toll, the Moscow newspaper Izvestia said yesterday, estimating the enemy's dead and prisoners on the southern front, exclusive of the Crimea, at 500,000 men.

Izvestia's recapitulation was published as the Germans for the second day reported extremely fierce fighting long the east bank of the Sereth River west of Jassy.

Moscow made no mention of the fighting, now in its third day according to the Germans, but Berlin's communique reported that Luftwaffe planes had knocked out 64 Red Army tanks.

The battle for Sebastopol continued to be chiefly an artillery duel, but in the Carpathian foothills north and west of Jassy, the Russians fought a series of short, sharp engagements, rarely involving more than 100 men. Red Star, the Army newspaper, said the Russians were infiltrating steadily and reducing the Rumanian strongpoints one by one.

Soviet long-range bombers struck again behind the enemy lines in Rumania and pre-war Poland, attacking troop trains at Lwow and Sambor, 43 miles to the southwest, and airfields at Lwow, Stanislavov and the Rumanian town of Roman.

Moscow's communique said large fires were left at Lwow and a big explosion was seen at the town's central railway station.

## The War Today

**Air War**—U.S. heavies and other bombers from Britain keep up blitz of airfields and communications centers in France and Holland; Bucharest attacked by night by RAF bombers from Italy; day assaults from Britain follow heavy RAF night blow at big tank and truck depot at Mailly, France, and other targets, including Ludwigshafen, Germany.

**Pacific**—Rabaul and other targets bombed; expected all-out enemy assault on Imphal, 40 miles into India from Burma, fails to develop and may have been called off, dispatches speculate.

**Russia**—German losses set at 500,000 in six weeks on southern front alone exclusive of Crimea by Moscow newspaper Izvestia; Nazis again speak of Russian attacks west of Jassy in Rumania; Soviet bombers keep up attacks on targets in Poland.

## Japs' All-Out Drive on Imphal Fails to Develop; Rabaul Is Hit

Japanese plans for an all-out assault against Imphal, 40 miles into India across the Burma border, may have been called off, a Reuter dispatch from Adm. Mountbatten's headquarters in Ceylon said last night, while reports from the Pacific told of renewed aerial assaults on enemy outposts, highlighted by an 88-ton attack on New Britain's battered Rabaul.

The dispatch from Ceylon said that Fourteenth Army forces were set to meet the enemy assault against Imphal but that the Japs appeared to be losing confidence as monsoon time approached.

Meanwhile, north and south of Kohima, which lies 60 miles north of Imphal, Jap raiding parties have been repulsed, a communique from Mountbatten said.

Southeast of the Paletwa area, Allied troops who have been battling for weeks to gain control of the Maungdaw-Buthidaung road were reported now in firm possession of high ground overlooking the route. In North Burma, Lt. Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell's Chinese troops inflicted heavy casualties on Japs who had counter-attacked east of the Mogaung River.

While Rabaul was receiving its latest hammering, other Allied planes reached out to give the airfield on the Carolines base of Woleai another pounding. Aerial attacks on enemy positions along the New Guinea coast coincided with continued "mopping-up" operations by ground forces.

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## Sedition Case Ruled Mistrial

### Court Discharges Jurors, Fines One Lawyer, Cites Another for Contempt

WASHINGTON, May 4—One defense lawyer was fined for contempt and another cited as Chief Justice Edward C. Eicher ruled a mistrial and discharged all prospective jurors after two weeks of argument in the mass sedition hearing of 30 alleged pro-Fascists during which not a juror had been seated.

Eicher set a date for a hearing at which James J. McLaughlin must show cause why he should not be punished for contempt in numerous defense motions. Another lawyer, Maxmilian St. George, was fined \$20 for refusing to obey an order to be seated.

The 30 defendants are charged with conspiracy to undermine the morale of the armed forces. They include William Dudley Pelley, Silver Shirt chief; Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling, author of "The Red Network"; Gerhard Kunze, Bund leader, and Joseph McWilliams, alleged anti-Semite.

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Neutrals' Firms Warned Against Trade With Reich

WASHINGTON, May 4—Britain and the U.S. have warned more than 5,000 firms in European neutral countries to resist increasing pressure to trade with Germany or face Anglo-American black-listing after the war.

More than 15,000 businessmen and firms already have been blacklisted because of alleged assistance to Germany and Japan.

## A Report to the Men Who'll Use Them Best Guns, and Plenty of 'Em, Set for Invasion, General Says

By Charles F. Kiley  
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

American weapons never before used in any theater of war and constituting the best equipment military science has produced thus far, are part of the invasion ordnance massed in the British Isles, Brig. Gen. Henry B. Saylor, ETOUSA's chief ordnance officer, declared yesterday in a report issued through The Stars and Stripes to American combat troops.

"When the day for forthcoming operations arrives," Saylor reported, "every American soldier taking part may be assured that his weapons, ammunition, tanks and vehicles are superior, or at least equal, to those of the enemy. There isn't a single item of ordnance inferior in any way to its counterpart in the German Army. Some of the ordnance will be used in action for the first time after being developed and thoroughly tested at our proving grounds in America."

Emphasizing that this was no pep talk intended to boost morale, Saylor said soldiers standing ready for action had (Continued on page 4)



Brig. Gen. Henry B. Saylor

## WAC Duds Just That, A Congressman Wails

BROOKLYN, N.Y., May 4—Rep. Emanuel Celler (D., N.Y.) believes there should be more "sparkle" to the WAC uniform. In a letter to Col. Ovetta Culp Hobby, WAC director, he suggested that the "dull olive drab" and "stiff, uncomfortable caps" be replaced.

Declaring that uniforms in other women's services were more attractive, Celler said that a new uniform for the WACs would raise morale and aid recruiting.





The Chicago Black Hawks wound up a poor fourth in the National Hockey League race and yet set an all-time loop attendance total when 356,943 fans paid to watch 'em skate.

It's strongly denied by all official sources, but the report persists that the Army Air Force is going to be represented in this year's football doings.

Hugh Fullerton of the Associated Press says that the way Clark Griffith of the Senators is bringing up Cuban ball players, the message to Garcia must have been, "Send me left-handed pitchers."

Jack Dugger, who sparked for Ohio State in the recent Big Ten basketball race and in the Garden in the NCAA tourney, is one of those rare basketball guys who wears contact lenses instead of regulation glasses.

Shortage of exercise boys at the tracks is so acute that Earl Sande has been working some of the horses he trains. And in Kentucky any school kid who knows anything about riding can pick up from \$30 to \$50 a day for himself for a few hours' work.

The Army Air Force OCS in Miami has the nucleus of a mighty fine football team in one company. Indian Jack Jacobs of Oklahoma, Glenn Dobbs of Tulsa, and Ray Evans and Ralph Miller of Kansas are in the same group.

These are just a few of the former football greats who are dealing the Axis such a fit as PT boat skippers: Ely, Tulane; Schwenk, St. Louis; Lillis, Notre Dame; Vohs, Colgate; Zarubica, UCLA; Bondreau and Levantis, B.C.; Maurana, Holy Cross; Kolberg, Oregon State; Vucinich, Stanford; McDonald, Harvard; Atkinson, Vanderbilt; Crimmins, Notre Dame; Tappan, Southern Cal.; Beckman, Washington; Pannell, Texas; Aggies; Sangster, Southern Cal.

Minor League Results

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Kramer Notches 4th Straight; Cubs Lose

Brownies Stop Bengals, 7-4; Yanks Slap A's

Joe Cronin's Homer Gives Bosox 11-10 Triumph; Tribe on Top

NEW YORK, May 4—Although he needed help in the ninth inning, Jack Kramer became the first major league pitcher to win four games this season as the Browns defeated the Tigers, 7-4, at St. Louis, to protect their hold on first place in the American League whirl.

The red-hot Brownies shoved across five runs in the fourth off Dizzy Trout to clinch their victory, the assault including doubles by George McQuinn, Vernon Stephens and Lloyd Baker and a triple by Gene Moore on a misjudged fly.

The Yankees swept their four-game series in Philadelphia by clipping the Athletics, 3-1, as Hank Borowy stopped the A's with six hits for his third win. George Starnweiss, Yankee second baseman, scored in the first on Nick Etten's single and in the eighth on Don Savage's fly, while Johnny Lindell, pitcher-turned-outfielder, insured victory in the ninth with his third homer of the campaign.

Etten, who hit safely twice, ran his consecutive hitting spree to ten games.

Luke Hamlin, former Dodger southpaw, went the distance for the A's and was touched for seven hits.

Manager Joe Cronin inserted himself into the lineup at first base and his eighth-inning homer provided the payoff run as the Red Sox outlasted the Senators, 11-10, in a slugfest at Boston.

The Senators used four pitchers and Milo Candini, who relieved Emil "Dutch" Leonard in the third, was charged with the defeat. Mike Ryba, Boston's third moundman who entered the game in the sixth and finished, was the winner.

NYU May Field Eleven After One-Year Layoff

NEW YORK, May 4—New York University, which dropped football in 1942, will conduct spring practice starting today, with the size of the turnout determining whether the Violets will return to the grid wars this fall.

Melton Accepted by Navy; Reject Brownie Outfielder

NEW YORK, May 4—Rube Melton, Dodger right-hander, has been accepted for Naval service and expects to be called within two or three weeks.

Li'l Abner



Easy Does It



Stir Up, Greentree Stable Derby favorite, romps home first by three lengths to win one-half of the Wood Memorial at Jamaica.

WAC Softballers Clip CWACs, Set Sights for Correspondents

By Gene Graff Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

Chairborne servicemen who maintain their girlish figures by playing softball in London's rambling Hyde Park are contemplating a move to prohibit girls' teams from using the park—especially after what happened Wednesday night when the WACs defeated the CWACs, 12-3.

The gents enjoy striking out and making errors only when their efforts are watched by spectators, including the usual throng of amused Londoners, and that's why they're up in arms against their feminine allies today.

Not that the WACs and CWACs didn't try to cooperate, because they did. They played their game on a field deep in the heart of Hyde Park, located so far from the beaten path a Ranger would have gotten lost without a compass.

It was the first game of the season against a girls' team for the WACs and, incidentally, their first victory. So they made the most of it, rushing to a six-run lead in the first inning, adding another in the fifth and climaxing the spree with a cluster of five more in the sixth. The score might have been more lopsided, but two of the girls had dates at 9 PM and their buddies promised to cooperate; the others wanted to get back to camp so they could raid the GI icebox before the mess sergeant came home.

The WACs are captained, managed, coached and chaperoned by their pitcher, T/5 Betty Lou Woods, a curly-topped blonde from Minneapolis who was a member of the team which won the Minnesota girls' softball crown in 1938.

Others in the WAC lineup were: Cpl. Mary Jo Puc, Indiana Harbor, Ind.; Pvt. Dorothy Semple, Oakland, Cal.; Cpl. Patti Michener, New York; Pfc Lena Martin, Little Rock, Ark.; T/5 Carol Stoffel, Billings, Mont.; Sgt. Kay Midkiff, Long Beach, Cal.; Pvt. Fern Smith, Waterloo, Ia., and Cpl. Marjorie Short, Denver.

Between appearances on the mound, Woodie doubles as press agent for the girls. "We came close to beating most of the men's teams we've played," she explained, "and our next victim is a team of American war correspondents. We have trouble booking games, though, because the boys at our camp (they call themselves the 'WAC Lovers') want to play us all the time."

Charlie Grimm on Inside Track To Take Over Bruin Throttle

CHICAGO, May 4—While Charlie Grimm's Milwaukee Brewers were slipping to fourth place in the American Association race after losing to Kansas City, Phil Wrigley, owner of the Chicago Cubs, announced today that the banjo-playing Chicago favorite is among those being considered for Jimmy Wilson's managerial post.

"Grimm has been considered," Wrigley said. "Wasn't he one of the best managers—or even the best—the Cubs ever had?" However, there is no actual list of candidates for the job, Wrigley revealed.

Grimm, meanwhile, said, "I know nothing about it and I haven't been contacted. I'm still running the Brewers."

The former star first baseman managed the Cubs from 1932-38 and never finished lower than third. Wilson, who guided the Bruins for three seasons, never finished higher than fifth.

Lippy Balks at Paying Fine Imposed by Frick

NEW YORK, May 4—After a long conference with Ford Frick, National League prexy, and Bill Klem, chief umpire, Leo Durocher, Dodger manager, insisted he would not pay the \$100 fine for delaying Sunday's first game against the Giants.

Lippy said, however, that he decided to withdraw his protest on Friday's alleged balk motion by Giant Pitcher Bill Voiselle. "It's impossible to win a protest of that sort," Durocher declared, "because the umpire's judgment is involved."

Lou Boudreau Rejected Because of Ankle Injury

CHICAGO, May 4—Lou Boudreau, manager of the Cleveland Indians, has been rejected for military service here because of a left ankle fracture suffered four years ago in an exhibition game.

"An arthritic condition developed from the fractured ankle," Boudreau said, "and that probably was the basis for the rejection. I first fractured it ten years ago and broke it again in '40."

Jimmy Wilson Goes to Reds

CINCINNATI, May 4—Jimmy Wilson, who resigned as manager of the Chicago Cubs Monday, will return to the Cincinnati Reds as a coach for the second time, Manager Bill McKechnie announced today. Wilson previously was with the Reds in 1939 and '40.

Chicago Drops 10th in a Row; Cards Victors

Pound Pirates, 5-1; Phils Defeat Giants, 7-1; Bums Overcome Braves

NEW YORK, May 4—Coach Roy Johnson's debut as temporary boss of the Cubs failed to snap the hapless Chicagoans' losing streak and they bowed to the Reds, 10-4, in Chicago yesterday for their tenth successive defeat of the National League season.

The Bruins, who haven't won a game since they stopped these same Reds in their opener, reached Tommy Delacruz for eight hits, one of which was Don Johnson's home run in the fourth, but Cincinnati batters rapped out 17 off Paul Derringer, Claude Passeau and Hy Vandenberg, including Eddie Miller's fourth inning circuit clout.

Derringer, suffering his third reversal, departed in the fourth when the Reds scored three runs. Passeau, making his first appearance since joining the Cubs earlier this week, tried next and was only slightly more effective.

Two Circuit Drives for Kurovski The Cardinals tightened their hold on first place by thumping the Pirates, 5-1, at Pittsburgh as Whitey Kurovski personally accounted for four of the runs with two homers. Kurovski hit one with the bases empty in the second inning and clubbed another in the ninth with two mates aboard, both off Rip Sewell, who gave the Redbirds six hits over the full distance for his second loss against one victory.

Harry Humbert, handcuffing the Bucs with four hits, notched his first triumph.

Gumbert had a shutout until the ninth when Tommy O'Brien doubled and scored on Jimmy Russell's triple.

Scoring all of their runs in the third and fourth innings off Ace Adams and Lou Polli, the Phillies made it three straight over the Giants at New York, winning yesterday's contest, 7-1. Bill Lee twirled five-hit ball to move the Phils into third place and topple the Giants into fourth.

Off Stymies Shutout Bid The Phillies rapped Adams for five runs on seven hits and a walk and added two more runs off Polli. Buster Adams, Jimmy Wassell and Ron Northey each drove in two runs, while Lee's single scored the other. Manager Mel Ott ended Lee's shutout bid in the ninth when he slugged his third homer of the year.

The Dodgers capitalized on Boston errors to shove across three runs in the ninth to shade the Braves, 4-3, at Brooklyn.

Boston's Nate Andrews had the better of a pitching duel with Fritz Ostermueller until the ninth, holding a 3-1 lead on homers by Roland Gladu and Chet Ross. But errors by First Baseman Max Macon and Second Baseman Connie Ryan in the final frame got Andrews into hot water and he was replaced by Red Barrett, who was touched for a two-run double by Augie Galan and a single by Lloyd Waner which broke the tie. Andrews, however, was the loser.

Hal Gregg, who relieved Ostermueller in the ninth, received credit for the victory.

Major League Results

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