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# Nazis Retire on 4 Fronts

## Wild Rush On Smokes Back Home

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15 (ANS). — Millions of Americans were scrambling for cigarettes today and increasing an already acute shortage, a nation-wide United Press survey showed. Everywhere men and women were ready to pay exorbitant prices, stand in line for hours and resort to all varieties of dodges. Black markets were reported in New York, Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Detroit, Atlanta, Connecticut cities and Buffalo. National and regional Office of Price Administration officials were investigating.

Dealers everywhere reported unprecedented demand for granu-

### SHAEF Tobacco Sales Halted by Eisenhower

On order of Gen. Eisenhower, who is touring the front, SHAEF PXs have suspended the sale of all tobacco to officers, EMs and war correspondents at SHAEF. Previously, SHAEF PXs have sent to the front all of their stocks above five packs per week for their roster. SHAEF headquarters announced last night. Com Z PXs suspended the sale of tobacco Monday.

ated tobacco and cigarette papers and it was a common sight to see novices trying to roll their own. Sectional runs on pipes and pipe tobacco, particularly by girls, were revealed and shortages in these cigarette substitutes were threatened.

Memphis war plant and office workers scrambled so for cigarettes that retailers would sell only a

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### Leaders Agree to End 3-Day Aircraft Strike

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15. — Leaders of a strike which has closed five Wright Aeronautical Corp. plants making Superfortress engines for three days agreed tonight to order the men back to work.

A tentative settlement was reached at a conference here with Army and War Labor Board officials. The dispute arose over protests by a union of supervisory employes against alleged down-grading of workers to lower paid jobs.

### First Taste of Snow for Hawaiian-Born Nisei



Snow comes to the front, and Pvt. James Miyake and Pvt. Ralph Chinaka find it something more than just another discomfort. It is the first contact with snow for Miyake and Chinaka, Hawaiian-born Nisei with the U.S. Seventh Army, but these Japanese-Americans lose no time in adopting the old American custom of washing faces with snow

## Brooklyn Says Noel Coward Slurred Its Fighting Men

NEW YORK, Nov. 15. — Brooklyn, which has laughed off countless cracks about its Dodgers and its dialect, was up in arms today over a pasage in Noel Coward's new book, "Middle East Diary," which the borough took as a slur on the valor of its fighting men.

Brooklyn charges the passage reads: "I talked with some tough men from Texas and Arizona. They were magnificent specimens and in great heart. But I was less impressed by some of the mournful little Brooklyn boys lying there in tears among alien corn with nothing worse than a bullet wound in the leg or a fractured arm."

### Ask Ban of Books

Five Brooklyn councilmen, with blood in their eye, moved to ban the British author's books and plays from New York.

And Rep. Samuel Dickstein (D-N.Y.), chairman of the House Immigration Committee, brought the matter to the floor of Congress, saying: "When he (Coward) again tries to enter this country as a visitor to take more millions out, I will try to see to it that he stays back in England."

Coward, in Paris preparatory to starting on an entertainment tour

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## Big Leaguers Will Tour ETO

By Gene Graff

Stars and Stripes Sports Editor.

Four major league baseball players and one sports writer are due in the ETO for a prolonged barnstorming tour among combat units, Special Services announced yesterday.

The quartet—officially ticketed as "Camp Shows Unit 417"—is comprised of Frankie Frisch, Pittsburgh Pirate manager; Mel Ott, field boss of the New York Giants; Bucky Walters, pitching mainstay of the Cincinnati Reds, and Emil "Dutch" Leonard, veteran knuckleball twirler of the Washington Senators. The sports writer, who will act as MC

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## Snow Blankets 7th Army Gains

By Dan Regan

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer. WITH U.S. SEVENTH ARMY, Nov. 15.—Snow fell almost continuously all along the Seventh Army front as gains were registered today of up to three kilometers in the northern sector east of Migneville against light German opposition.

Gains also were made east and northeast of Montigny. South of Vaucourt heavy enemy artillery fire was reported yesterday morning. Along the southern portion of the long front, enemy resistance was light, enabling U.S. forces southwest of La Houssiere to gain up to two kilometers. American advances also have overrun Vienville, Ivoux, Lanay and Granges.

## Heavy Fly-Bomb Raid Wrecks London Homes

LONDON, Nov. 15.—Salvoes of flying bombs were launched against London and southern England last night as the Germans attempted their heaviest V1 raid in some time.

Some of the robots were shot down into the sea or exploded in the air but those that got through wrecked flats and houses and caused a number of casualties.

## 3 New Forts Fall as Metz Gap Closes

Four Allied armies advanced toward the Rhine last night and before them the Wehrmacht, which bitterly contested every foot of ground a week ago, was reported falling back on most sectors toward the ancient borders of Germany. The Nazi withdrawal stretched along 275 miles of defenses from rainswept Holland to the snowdrifted Vosges Mountains.

Withdrawals were reported in areas of the British Second Army front, the U.S. Third Army front and in sectors of the U.S. Seventh and First French Army fronts in the south.

At Metz, three more forts fell to Third Army troops who narrowed the escape gap from the city to eight miles, and from the south pressed to within a mile and three-quarters of the fortress town.

In Holland, the British Second Army established four bridgeheads across the Wessem and Order Canals and gained up to 4,000 yards in a smash to the east, begun yesterday under a barrage from 400 guns.

## White Flag Flies At Thionville

By Earl Mazo

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer. WITH THIRD ARMY BEFORE METZ, Nov. 15.—Elements of 95th Division took Forts Hubert and Jussy one kilometer apart west of Metz and seized Fort Illange at Thionville today.

(SHAEF reported that Third Army forces had also by-passed the fortress groups of Jeanne d'Arc and Driant. Driant fired a few rounds, and then was quiet. It was stated at SHAEF that forts guarding western approaches did not offer the resistance of which they were believed capable.)

At Thionville, the German commander of Fort Illange yesterday said he wanted to negotiate a sur-

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## Churchill Sees Long Fight

LONDON, Nov. 15 (UP).—Prime Minister Churchill, opposing a move to release certain men over 40 from the Army, told the House of Commons today that "a new fact that stares one most in the face is that extremely heavy fighting is continuing week by week and will certainly last for a good long time."

# Con-Man Apes a Soldier, Makes a Monkey Out of the Army

A 19-year-old British lad escaped from a reform school near London on June 22, clad in shorts and nightgown. The first person he met was an American sailor, to whom he confessed his escape and from whom he obtained a suit of fatigues.

Next he stole a military car from a U.S. motor pool and drove to London, where he stole an EM uniform, to which he attached an Eighth Air Force shoulder patch and sergeant chevrons. Next he stole a jeep and drove to SHAEF, entering on the strength of a trip ticket in the jeep.

After dark he drove back to London and spent the night at Rainbow Corner. Next day, his unattended jeep having been removed by MPs, he went to the field director of Finance at ARC headquarters, where, having given a false name and serial number, he borrowed one pound from an employe.

Still in the guise of an American sergeant, he went to the Strand Palace Hotel, where he shared a room with an American officer, paying with the borrowed money.

While in the hotel he stole some U.S. officers' clothing he went to Crewe, flew to Edinburgh, where, without being challenged, a pilot gave him a ride to Prestwick. Returning to Edinburgh, he went to the ARC and stole a wallet containing money and identification papers of a U.S. officer. Then he wangled another flight to Prestwick.

At Prestwick, he went to Air Force HQ, produced a stolen pay card and chit, which he had typed himself and signed with the name of a known American colonel, and obtained an advance in pay.

Next day he flew to London as a co-pilot, obtained official transportation to Northolt and attached himself to some high-ranking U.S. officers passing through by air. He represented himself as a PRO. They all ate together at the officers' mess and flew to France.

In France, the officials went to a conference, which the youth didn't attend. Instead, he flew back to Northolt.

Next day, he went to the RTO office at a London railway station and, while waiting for the U.S. sergeant, made

out free travel warrants for himself, one of which he used to travel to Nottingham, where he stayed at the ARC.

The following morning, he obtained a plane to Hendon, where he represented himself as an officer courier carrying official papers, and asked for a jeep. No jeep available, it was suggested that he apply at SHAEF, which he did successfully.

While awaiting the jeep alone in the office, he typed a permit for himself, representing the bearer as an officer on confidential duty, and forged a signature on behalf of Gen. Eisenhower.

Then he was driven to SHAEF motor pool, where he dismissed the driver and drove back to London. There he phoned New Scotland Yard and, representing himself in his new rôle, inquired into the record of his real self, adding some points in the latter's favor.

The following day, he phoned the London mail center and was told a message from the police awaited him. He reported there and was arrested. Date of the arrest was July 25, a month after the escapade began.





Pat on the Back

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know that the boys of this outfit think the S & S tops. It is with ardent interest that I inquire about getting 12 copies of your issue of October 27 containing the article titled "Flak City—Forgotten Front."—Sgt. Geo L. Marshall, Inf.

Pin-Up Ban

We of this hospital unit who are near enough to be able to spit into Hitler's backyard beg of you not to publish any more pictures of those luscious, inspiring pin-up girls. We are not allowed to hang pin-ups—that goes for pictures of the American flag too—on the walls of this former German-occupied building. Our CO claims that it is not in keeping with military ethics. When lights are out, by the beams of a flashlight we furtively seek out from beneath our blankets, or other hiding places, our admired pin-ups, even pictures of our beloved wife or sweetheart, also included in this edict. Each week you publish a new pin-up girl, each week you tear and grip at our very soul—verily a new type of secret weapon to demoralize us for nights to follow.

What are we fighting for—do we want to go home, do we want an increase in pay—do we want a special ribbon for being "bed-pan commandos"? We are not the ones to help make the final decisions on these matters.

But, until those decisions are reached, let us have our pin-up pictures on the wall. You can direct us what to read; you can order us to duty, what to wear, what to eat or how to sleep; you can instill our imbecilic minds how to think, but you can never take away from us our individual admiration for a pin-up picture. "Lives there a man with soul so dead, who never to himself has said 'How, some babel!'"—The Shift "B" Boys.

Explains the Point

With all the wild ravings, arguments and gesticulations surrounding any attempted discussion of the point system on demobilization, it is very apparent that the Army did well in not announcing definite point values for the various factors concerned.

With the trial balloon that it floated it can now gauge opinion properly and get the right line on just which classification gets most points and so on. Congratulations to the bigwigs for doing this correctly! —Pvt. Paul Spiegel, Armd. Div.

A GI Editorial

In your Sept. 5 issue of the S & S, Ernie Pyle, one of the finest writers who ever covered a war in all its hell, wrote a farewell story. It was the story of a great guy who had crawled, suffered and sweated out many awful months.

Certainly, Mr. Editor, Ernie deserves many words of sincere praise for his marvelous coverage of all he surveyed—weaponless! Say to him, "You have done a wonderful job, Ernie. The ones who have read your stories will find that spot you held on our pages and covered so humanly, a spot hard to fill!"

I did not know Ernie Pyle, only as one of his many readers, but ask anyone of those Infantry guys who knew him, they will tell you. "Thanks, Ernie, for a wonderful job, sincerely done, you are going to be missed."—Cpl. C. Murray, Ry.

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Hash Marks

GI Fairy Tale. Once upon a time there was an MP who said, "May I see your pass, PLEASE?"

Funniest incident we've seen in Paris. The subway (Métro) was packed and jammed. The throng at the station pushed to get on the over-packed cars. A gallant American major was the last man on and he looked down to discover a lone woman standing on the platform. Showing open the door, he said, "We can make room for you, too, madam," and pulled her into the train. The train pulled out and the woman talked a violent brand of French. The red-faced major soon learned that she hadn't wanted to get on at the last station at all—she had just "time off."

A young aviation cadet was being questioned by a veteran Army officer regarding flying. "Do you drink, smoke or go out with women?" the officer asked. "No, sir," responded the cadet. The officer retorted, "Then why study aviation—you must have your wings already."



After weeks in France, Pfc Fred Amsel suggests this song title: "Twas On The Isle of No Comprehend That I Met Her."

This lively jingle was sent in by a correspondent of the "Fighting First":

I never drink, I never flirt. I never gossip or spread the dirt. I have no line or funny tricks. But what the hell—I'm only six.

The manpower shortage back home must be terrific. A young couple asked the minister to marry them immediately following the Sunday service. When the time came the minister arose to say, "Will those who wish to be united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony please step forward?" There was a great stir as 23 women and one man approached the altar.

Alibi of the Week. An ex-corporal serving time on an AWOL charge was asked why he skipped camp. "Well," he explained, "I was a cook and I never did have time to read them Articles of War."

Reading his hometown newspaper, The Chillicothe Constitution Tribune, Lt. Ray Bauer spotted the "Hashmarks To End All Hashmarks." An item in the personal columns read as follows: "Oma Achenbach went to Springfield Monday where she is employed as a mathematics teacher."

Private Breger



"He's seen it on windows, to prevent flying glass from explosions!"

An Editorial

Time Off

THIS picture doesn't need words to tell its story. To any eye that can see—to any mind than can understand—to any heart that can cry over the misery that mankind can create for itself, it speaks volumes.

The caption that came with it is simple. It reads: "U.S. combat troops take time off."

Yes, these men are taking time off. For a moment they aren't shooting, or marching, or cringing from the blast and shock of dynamite and steel. They're resting. Sitting by the side of a road. Taking time out before the order comes to push along.

What do you read into this picture? What do you see in these faces—in the weary bodies, the creased cheeks, the stubble, the dirt,



the tenseness, the tight mouths and hollow eyes?

We see something we never want to see again. We see war. We see the need

for these men—and all men—to find a way to keep their kids from having to take time off 25 years from now. Time off from homes, from families, from life itself.



SOMEWHERE IN EUROPE



Dog Watch

Dud is a dog. He got his name when he tried to dig up an exploded German mine. He's part dachshund and part something else. He's the pet of 1/Lt. Robert T. Kruth, of West Bend, Wis. He's the mascot of a Ninth Infantry Division company. The foregoing are facts, easily checked, but what follows is strictly Kauth's story.

Dud picks his spot for a foxhole as soon as he arrives in an area. The men take their cue from him. When a friendly shell goes overhead, he ignores it. But when an enemy missile comes anywhere near, Dud heads for his foxhole.

Every night he checks the guard to see if the men are alert and on the job. He visits a different section of the company area every night to see if the morale is OK. Dud was a French-speaking dog and it was necessary to speak to him in his native tongue until he picked up a few words of English.

Dog-Gone Clever

Cpl. Rookie, a Manchester spaniel who deserted his engineer unit in England and rejoined it in France—his owner, Pfc Edward Layton, of Cuyahoga, Ohio, claims the dog swam the Channel—is said to be an expert at aircraft identifica-

tion. He barks loudly at enemy planes, but wags his tail at Allied aircraft, Layton says.

No Comment

Another mascot, Cherokee, attached to a Quartermaster truck company, is listed on the T/O as assistant driver. Most of the dog's driving is done with Pvt. Gerald Parkov, of San Francisco. "I like him," said Parkov, "because he keeps his mouth shut."

Just Built That Way

Pvt. L. B. Tillman, of Moultrie, Ga., 36th Division infantryman, had a fever so he was sent to the hospital. But he had trouble getting out. After 32 days, he asked the doctor what about the chances. The medic gave him one of those long, grave looks and then frankly told Pvt. Tillman it was one of the worst cases of mumps ever seen. "Why, Doc," the patient explained, "I was born this way!"

Lots of Water

Since June 8 a portable water-point operated by the 37th Engineer Combat Battalion has pumped enough water to furnish every man, woman and child in the United States with a full glass of water and still have 7,680,000 glasses left over, according to a bit of figuring done by T/Sgt. James E. Decker, of Burlington, Kan.

Some Sniper!

A Third Army tank destroyer outfit, while preparing to enter a contested French town, was informed by a radio news broadcast that only a few snipers remained there. Early the next morning the Yanks entered the town and uncovered one of the largest snipers in history—a Mark III tank.

Better Homes Project

Living at the front is never luxurious, but men in the special Ranger group of the Second Infantry Division have made their dugouts more than just livable. One is equipped with a blackout door rigged up with an automobile light switch. Another has built-in bunks and lockers, a stove, cabinet, wood floor and an oil-can lamp. Occupants are Cpl. John Smith, Louisville, Ky., Pfc Oliver Sparks, Patrick, Ky., and Pvs. Cody A. Taylor, Murray, Ky., Harold W. Claypool, Lebanon,

Mo., and J. M. Keeton, Long View, Tex., and S/Sgt. Oswald McKeon, New Boston, Tex.

Too Close for Comfort

Although Pvt. Fred Bolling, 28th Infantry Division soldier from Hawkinsville, Ga., was trying to get a bit of shut-eye in his foxhole during a German shelling, he



reached out to make sure that his rifle was OK. All he found was the metal of the barrel. A shell fragment had made kindling of the stock.

Objectives Gained

Hunting for prisoners in general and P38 pistols in particular were two 83rd Infantry Division doughs, Pvs. Robert O. Summers, of Kalamazoo, Mich., and Stanley Spillers, of Westpoint, Me.

They shouted "Komen Zie Araus" when they saw a Jerry head sticking over a foxhole. The German ran out with his hands over his head. Following swiftly on his heels were 39 more Germans. The Yanks divided the P38s.

Births... Folks at Home Send These GIs Swift News of Sir Stock's Arrival!

L. T. John Conner, Cincinnati—(girl), Nov. 13; Sgt. Hlag Dikjian, Brooklyn—Donna Jeanne, Nov. 4; Sgt. Wm. Douglas Howell, Ky.—Judith Ann, Oct. 27; S/Sgt. Rudolph B. Enberg, Burlingame, Calif.—Thomas Rudolph, Nov. 1; Sgt. Herman Faller, Jersey City—(boy), Oct. 26; Pvt. Jack Fletcher, N.Y.—Ronni Beth, Nov. 1; Lt. Thomas C. Fowkes, Selma, Ala.—Thomas C. Jr., Oct. 12; Pvt. Henry W. Gissel, Brooklyn—Henry W. III, Nov. 1; Cpl. Charles H. Haynes, N.Y.—(boy), Nov. 1; Maj. Paul Hendren, Petersburg, Ill.—Jane Ellen, Oct. 26; Capt. Robert H. Kester, Chester, Pa.—Bette Anne, Oct. 27; Cpl. John J. Kluck, N.Y.—(boy), Oct. 21; Wilfred Laplante SS1/c, Fall River, Mass.—(boy), Nov. 4; Lt. Victor A. Leonowicz, Petersburg, Va.—Richard Anthony, Nov. 2; Pvt. Ben Marcus, N.Y.—Richard, Nov. 1; Lt. Carl Mintz, Bronx—(boy), Nov. 5; T/4 Thomas A. McCormick, Milwaukee—John, Oct. 2; Pvt. Seymour Nurick, N.Y.—(girl), Oct. 28; Cpl. Frank E. Pechort, Freeport, N.Y.—Diane Judith, Oct. 15; S/Sgt. Clarence G. Roller Jr., Buffalo—(boy), Oct. 20; Cpl. Leo A. Russell Jr., New Orleans—(boy), Oct. 30; S/Sgt. Clifford O. Ryals, Savannah—Gloria Omega, Oct. 7; Pfc Irving Sabel, Brooklyn—Maxine, Oct. 27; Lt. Seymour Schultz, Jersey City—Karen, Nov. 1; Pvt. Edward J. Seitz, Billings, Mont.—Anthony James, Sept. 9; Pvt. Carl J. Sullivan, Maywood, Calif.—Carl J. Jr., Oct. 22; Pvt. Elwood Uimer, Philadelphia—Ruth Anne, Sept. 20; Lt. George Vogt, Columbia, Ill.—George Leonard, Sept. 28; Capt. E. R. Youngs, Chicago—Christine Marie, Oct. 30.



# Once Over Lightly

By Gene Graff  
Sports Editor

CRAP shooting wouldn't break into the sports pages under ordinary circumstances, being far more artistic than running a mile or hitting a nomer. But since Leo "The Lip" Durocher, No. 1 Bum of Brooklyn's (beloved) Bums, is indirectly involved, we have a valid excuse for passing on this particular tale to dice rollers in the ETO.



Leo Durocher

News of this gambling session, which would dwarf even the games played at the front where money is just so much useless paper, was broken today by the New York News in a copyrighted article. It seems the district attorney's office "is investigating circumstances under which Martin Shurin, president of the Hudson Aircraft Company, was cleaned of \$18,000 in a crap game held last March at Durocher's apartment."

LIPPY apparently is not involved. He was sick at the Dodger training camp in Bear Mountain, N.Y., when the "hot hand" was being engineered on the thick rug in his parlor. Durocher had lent the key to his apartment to a Broadway friend, who allegedly ran the game.

Shurin's complaint says he dropped the 18 Gs to a movie actor, who was not identified by the News. The victim claims the actor—hold on to your hats, fellows!—reeled off 13 straight passes including "10" four times, "Little Joe" four times and "9" five times. If that isn't par, it will have to do until some 1/Sgt. with 29 years in the Army brings out a blanket and his favorite cubes.

SHURIN took his loss without complaint, so the story says, but vent to the D's office when a woman, claiming to be the wife of one of the players, told him the dice were loaded and that her husband, who had "lost" \$8,600, was really a member of the ring.

Although Shurin won't be able to recover his gambling loss according to law, he should have little trouble convincing the jury the game was fixed. When a man throws 13 passes in one hand, he's guilty until proved otherwise, even if the cubes just rolled off the assembly line.

## Klem Picks Honus Over Slats Marion On Hitting Ability

MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Nov. 15.—The comparison between Honus Wagner and Marty Marion is still going strong and Honus is getting the better of it from those who have seen both play.

Bill Klem, dean of major league umpires, admits that Marion is just as good a fielder as the old Dutchman, but that Wagner's proficiency with the bat and on the basepaths outshone the Cardinal shortstop.



Marty Marion

## 'Blue Bulldog'

By Pap



## Owen Blasts Grid Official Who Nullified Field Goal

NEW YORK, Nov. 15.—Stout Steve Owen, genial coach of the New York Giants, is still sore over what happened in Philadelphia Sunday, and for the first time in his 14 years as Giants' mentor has seen fit to disagree publicly with officials assigned by the National Football League headquarters.

## FDR May Move Service Game

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—President Roosevelt gave first official indication today that the White House is giving serious consideration to proposals repeatedly offered for the past three football seasons that the annual Army-Navy football classic be restored to its pre-war status as one of the nation's outstanding athletic spectacles.

The 1944 meeting of the Service teams is scheduled for Annapolis, home of the Midshipmen, on Dec. 2, with ticket sales limited to residents of the immediate vicinity. Officials of eastern cities have been clamoring for the game, pointing out \$1,000,000 could be raised for war charities without burdening transportation facilities.

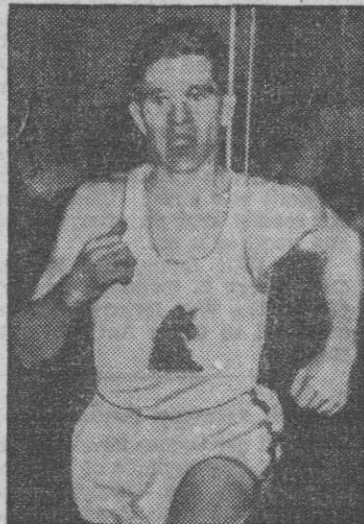
The President told his press conference yesterday that he intended to discuss the matter with War Secretary Henry L. Stimson, but did not say whether an announcement would be forthcoming immediately.

## Louis Kayoes Brooklyn Heavy in 53 Seconds

BUFFALO, N.Y., Nov. 15.—S/Sgt. Joe Louis, world's heavyweight champion, kayoed Johnny Davis, Brooklyn heavy, in 53 seconds of the first round before 6,000 fans last night.

New York State rules forbid exhibition bouts, stating every fight must be to a decision, and with use of regulation gloves. Joe came out with left extended and right hand cocked and, when Davis tried to force the fighting, Joe uncorked his haymaker.

## Dodds to Wind Up Career



Gil Dodds

BOSTON, Nov. 15.—Galloping Gil Dodds apparently is nearing the end of the trail as one of America's greatest milers.

The holder of the world indoor mile record of 4:06.4 will receive the Bachelor of Divinity degree in February from Gordon College of Theology and Missions in this city. He plans to embark on a missionary career shortly thereafter.

Dodds, however, will compete in a six-mile road race in Cincinnati this month, and the Millrose Games in New York in February, before hitting the missionary trail.

"I will go wherever the Lord has a place for me," Dodds said. "I think the need is greater in many respects in the mission field today than in the churches at home, and it may be that I will go into the Orient."

## Report Zamperini Killed in Pacific

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 15.—Lt. Louis Zamperini, former Southern California distance runner, has been killed in action, his parents said today. Zamperini, an Army bombardier, was reported missing in action in May.

The ex-marathoner almost created an international incident in the 1936 Olympics in Berlin when he climbed a flagpole atop the German Chancellery to swipe a Nazi flag as a souvenir.

## Bruins Defeat Blackhawks

BOSTON, Nov. 15.—The Boston Bruins opened their home National Hockey League season last night by defeating the Chicago Blackhawks, 7-5, before 13,000 fans in Boston Garden.

Bill Cowley, veteran Boston center, led the barrage with two goals and two assists, which carried him into a three-way tie for the league scoring lead.

The first period was tame enough and ended 1-1, on goals by Pete Soreck, Chicago rookie, and Bill Cupolo of the Bruins. The second frame was a scoring orgy, however, with eight goals pouring into the nets. Boston scored five, while the Hawks sent home three.

Bill Jennings, Frank Mario, Herb Cain scored for the Bruins and Cupolo netted another shot, while Horeck flashed the red light in the second period and Billy Mosenko, Lude Check and Bray Shaw also counted for the Chicagoans.

## Hockey Standings

	W	L	T	Pts.	G	O	G
Toronto	6	1	0	12	35	18	
Montreal	5	2	0	10	25	17	
Boston	2	2	1	5	23	31	
Detroit	2	2	0	4	27	17	
New York	1	4	1	3	20	33	
Chicago	1	5	0	2	25	40	

## Leading Scorers

PLAYER TEAM	G	A	Pts.
Schirmer, Toronto	9	6	15
Cowley, Boston	6	9	15
Bodnar, Toronto	4	11	15
Carr, Toronto	6	7	13
Howe, Detroit	4	9	13
Blake, Montreal	6	5	11
Bruneteau, Detroit	5	5	10
C. Smith, Chicago	2	8	10
Fraser, Chicago	5	4	9
Lach, Montreal	2	7	1

## Wife to Divorce Yawkey

RENO, Nov. 15.—Mrs. Yawkey, wife of the owner of the Boston Red Sox, has completed six weeks' residence in Nevada and will file suit for divorce from the Boston millionaire next week, it was reported here today. She will seek custody of their eight-year-old adopted daughter.

## Major League Ball Players Coming to ETO

(Continued from Page 1) of the show, is Roy Stockton, of Pittsburgh.

The troupe will travel on the Continent for at least two months. As a special feature, several prints of a 25-minute movie, showing highlights of the 1944 World Series, are being brought along by the major leaguers.

Although the ball players will stray from their planned program according to the military situation of troops they entertain, the standard visit will include screening the movie, a sports quiz with Stockton pitching questions at Frisch, Ott, Walters and Leonard relating of behind-the-scenes diamond stories, and a question period when GIs can pop their favorite \$64 puzzlers at the athletes—but not for \$64.

Frisch, an endman in anybody's minstrel show, has been brushing up on diamond anecdotes and, unless he decides to abandon the familiar pattern, it will take a curfew or Jerry 88 to chase him from the stage. But servicemen are advised to steer away from questions about the '44 Pirates. That happens to be an unhappy chapter in Frisch's long and colorful career.



Dutch Leonard

Soldiers with ambitions of eventually breaking into the majors will find an interested ear bending their way when Ott reaches the scene. Not that Master Melvin has a bundle of contracts in his luggage, but the Giants have had their troubles since Pearl Harbor and no promising talent will be overlooked by the New Yorker.

Walters, who made the difficult change from infielder to pitcher a few years ago and blossomed into one of the National League's outstanding moundsmen, will be able to draw a comparison between wartime and peacetime pitching and hitting. As a student under wily



Bucky Walters

Manager Bill McKeechie, Bucky knows enough baseball stories to hold the stage for a couple of hours.

Detroit fans are warned to unload their MIs when Leonard arrives. He's the gent who pitched the Tigers right out of the American League championship on the last day of the season, although there admittedly was no love lost between the Senators and the St. Louis Browns, who capitalized on Leonard's sturdy arm to win their first title in history.

## Gridders May Follow

The possibility that football players and coaches may come to the ETO after the season ends was expressed in Paris last night by Lt. Col. Henry W. "Eskey" Clark, former Harvard football star and later athletic director at Lafayette until he entered the Army. Clark is head of the Special Service athletic department on the Continent.

"I think servicemen would get a tremendous thrill out of talking to men like Fritz Crisler of Michigan or Lou Little of Columbia," Clark said.

## Help Wanted —AND GIVEN

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## Li'l Abner

By Courtesy of United Features.

By Al Capp





News from Home

WLB Shakeup Near As Three Members Quit

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15 (AP).—The proffered resignation of three key members of the War Labor Board gave President Roosevelt the opportunity today, if he chooses, to give new form to the agency.

Chairman William H. Davis, Vice-Chairman George W. Taylor and Dr. Frank P. Graham, all original public members of the board, have asked the President to relieve them of their posts.

Left Date Open

With three places open, however, the President would be able to revise the whole makeup of the agency, replacing it with a board of public members or just representatives of labor and industry with no public membership.

Davis, Taylor and Graham all left the date of their resignations at the convenience of the President, but they told newsmen they wanted to remain through important wage deliberations involving a possible change in the administration's whole stabilization policy.

600 Strike in N.J.

PATERSON, N.J., Nov. 15 (AP).—Six hundred supervisory employes walked out today at six plants of the Wright Aeronautical Corp. in a dispute over seniority, promotions and wages.

They Have Troubles Too

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15 (ANS).—Of 100 stores visited last month in an official survey, one-third had no butter, half had no pork, canned pineapple, mixed fruits or Cheddar cheese.

Plates for California

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Nov. 15 (ANS).—For the first time since 1941, California motorists next year will be issued new auto license plates. But only one plate will be black with white numbers.

Seeing Starling



This is Pat Starling, Hollywood actress; she lives at 719 S. Mariposa, Burbank, Cal., and she has lots more pictures like this. 'Nough said?

Thought of Surrender Means Death to Jerry

WITH THE SECOND ARMORED DIVISION, Nov. 15 (AP).—In a "revolutionary" move, German soldiers have been instructed by the Nazi Party to shoot anyone they suspect of contemplating surrender—officers, fellow soldiers and friends.

The Himmler-formulated instructions, printed in the Nazi news commentary "Scorpion" and distributed to the Wehrmacht, told soldiers to act even if they observe in their comrades "only minute decline in battle morale."

Nazis Fall Back Along 4 Fronts

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render with Maj. Gen. Harry L. Twaddel, 95th Division Commander. Unconditional surrender was demanded. Germans said they would fight on. They did until this morning, when a white flag went up.

Meanwhile, elements of the 95th moved one and one-half miles closer to the city from the west, capturing Chatel St. Germain.

South of the city, Fifth Division elements fighting in snow gained two miles north on Moselle River. The 11th and Tenth Regiments advanced a mile through stiff opposition due south of the city.

In a woods two miles south of the Metz outskirts, elements of the Tenth Regiment cleared one area and captured a considerable amount of abandoned material.

The Fifth Division's Second Regiment together with elements of the Tenth Regiment straightened a Nazi salient in the Bazancourt area, nine miles southeast.

Northward, the Moselle Bridgehead which now includes Thionville was lengthened by the 90th and 95th Divisions to 14 miles.

The Sixth Armored and 80th Infantry Divisions to the south beat off a series of counter-attacks near Arriances, 15 miles below the city.

Resistance in the Fourth Armored and 26th Infantry Division sectors was reported heavy, but elements of the Fourth Armored gained two miles northeast of Nancy and teamed up with units of the 104th Regiment of the 26th Division to clean out the forest of Bride and Koecking.

Folks at Home Out of Tobacco

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limited quantity and then only before and after business hours.

Cigarettes sold legally at more than 88 cents a pack in Chicago when the post office held an auction of unclaimed parcels. Officials explained that postal auctions are not subject to OPA price ceilings.

OPA Administrator Chester Bowles pledged the agency would fight illicit operators by every means possible but called on the public to help by buying cigarettes "in a normal manner" and refusing to pay more than the ceiling price.

The Office of War Information reported that manufacturers are turning out more cigarettes than ever before. It said this year's production should total 16,000,000,000 packs compared with 15,000,000,000 last year if the rate prevailing for the first six months continues. It added that shipments to fighting men overseas this year are expected to reach nearly 5,000,000,000 packs.

Terry And The Pirates



First Pictures of Invasion in Greece



First picture out of Greece is that of U.S. planes dropping British paratroops near Athens, while Greek civilians wait on the ground to greet their liberators. The Germans evacuated the area without a fight.

95th Div., Just off Secret List, Already Has Roll of Heroes

By Earl Mazo

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer.

WITH U.S. THIRD ARMY.—The 95th "Victory" Division, released today as a unit of the Third Army advancing in Lorraine, has piled up a record of heroics that rivals many veteran divisions in Europe.

A lieutenant, leading a platoon in one of the division's first attacks, was wounded and paralyzed from the hips down. He asked a couple of his men to hold him up while he led the unit on to its objective. Later, at the aid station, he requested that all the other wounded of the platoon be taken care of before the medics attended him.

One of the division's first patrols, led by a sculptor from Alaska and a policeman from New York, took five hours to clean out a comparatively large town. During the fight the policeman, Lt. Pat Harrington, became so exasperated at the house-to-house fight put up by the Germans, that he dashed out to a street intersection and shouted for them to "come out and fight like men." The sculptor, mild-mannered Lt. Max Lewis, said, "The bullets flew and Harrington shouted, but the Germans didn't come out, so we went in after them."

On another occasion, a battalion commander and a sergeant went after a German machine-gun. The sergeant was killed. The lieutenant colonel kept on after the gun and knocked it out.

The 95th, commanded by Maj. Gen. Harry L. Twaddel, formerly G-3 of the War Department, was activated at Camp Swift in July, 1942.

French Occupy Andorra

French gendarmes have occupied Andorra, tiny republic of 6,000 population on the Franco-Spanish border, the French Foreign Office announced yesterday. The gendarmes moved in Tuesday "as a precautionary measure."

94th Inf. Div. In Action Here

Twelfth Army Group announced yesterday that the 94th Infantry Division is now fighting in France. The 94th, commanded by Maj. Gen. Harry J. Malony, landed in France on D plus 94.

Gen. Malony, of Dundee, N.Y., has commanded the 94th since its activation at Fort Custer, Mich., in 1942. The division trained at Camp Phillips, Kan., the Tennessee maneuver area and Camp McCain, Miss.

Claims New Glider Mark

LISBON, Nov. 15 (Reuter).—Pilot Officer Rosa Rodrigues of the Portuguese military air force claimed a new world glider record today with a flight to 15,900 feet.

Corporal Elected to Congress

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—While Cpl. C. Melvin Price, 39, of East St. Louis, Ill., sweated out a detail unloading 390 bushels of apples at Camp Lee, Va., they notified him that he had been elected to Congress from the 22nd Illinois District. He's hoping for a discharge.

Price, a Democrat who unseated Rep. Calvin D. Johnson, was one of many servicemen who won political office in last Tuesday's elections. Another elected to Congress was Lt. James Grove Fulton, now overseas with the Navy, who won as a Republican in Pennsylvania's 31st District.

A private now overseas, Eugene M. Allison, 28, was elected state corporation commissioner in New Mexico. Maj. Smith Troy, now in France, was re-elected attorney general of Washington. Numerous servicemen won seats in the various state legislatures and local offices.

Yank Kidnaps 2 Nazis, Wins A Silver Star

WITH THE 82ND AIRBORNE DIVISION, Holland.—Pvt. Bennie J. Siemanowicz, of Nasua, N.H., sneaked through German lines in broad daylight, kidnaped two Jerries from their foxholes and took them back to his own lines under fire. Four hours later he was awarded a Silver Star.

From an observation post near the Dutch-German border Siemanowicz watched the enemy for ten days. Two in particular attracted his attention. They dug a foxhole, roofed it with sheet metal and covered it with sod.

Siemanowicz figured the Germans were sleeping by day, since they'd fire at any noise during the night. So on the tenth day, at 2 P.M., he crossed a mined bridge and reached the dugout unobserved.

First on the Draw

Two much-surprised Germans reached for their guns when Siemanowicz ripped the camouflage from the back of the shelter and shoved his carbine inside. He was first on the draw and wounded the pair.

The trio was en route to the American lines when other Germans, who heard the shots, opened fire and nicked Siemanowicz in the leg. He forced one of the prisoners to carry him while he returned fire until out of range.

Siemanowicz delivered the pair to interrogators, had his wound dressed and returned to his post.

Two colonels, watching the show from a hill, reported to the commanding general, who conferred the Silver Star on Siemanowicz at 6 P.M.

Brooklyn ...

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of the front, was quoted in a British dispatch as saying that he did not recall mentioning Brooklyn soldiers.

"I have no copy of the Diary here and I do not recall any group which could be described as Brooklyn," the playwright and singer was quoted. "Maybe on one of my visits to hospitals I met some boys from Brooklyn and I said they were homesick, but in a hospital most boys of all armies long to be in their home town."

John Cashmore, Brooklyn borough president, called for an apology from Coward.

Beatrice Lillie, English actress and close friend of Coward, who is in this country for a stage appearance, said that he "couldn't possibly have meant it the way it reads."

De Gaulle, Stalin to Meet

Gen. Charles de Gaulle has accepted an invitation from Marshal Stalin to visit Moscow, it was announced yesterday, and will make the journey shortly.

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By Milton Caniff

