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Are your parents at home?

Wednesday, Sept. 27, 1944

Peace Plan For Reich Stirs a Rift

By John M. Hightower
Associated Press Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26 (AP).—President Roosevelt's cabinet committee on German peace policy has split wide open, it was learned today, over a plan sponsored by Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau for completely destroying Germany as a modern industrial state and converting it to an agricultural country of small farms.

Morgenthau's plan was drawn up after his recent return from the European fronts and England, and is reported to have had the general approval of Mr. Roosevelt since before his Quebec conference with Prime Minister Churchill. It failed to win support, however, from Secretary of State Cordell Hull, and is violently opposed by War Secretary Henry L. Stimson. Hull, Stimson and Morgenthau form the cabinet committee.

Program Planning Stalled

For the time being, the dispute over the Morgenthau plan has so interfered with Treasury, War and State Department work on detailed arrangements for the post-war control of Germany that the three-power planning by this country, Britain and Russia on a long-range German policy also is virtually stalled.

President Roosevelt presented the Morgenthau plan to the Prime Minister at Quebec.

Morgenthau came away from Quebec with the impression Churchill found his proposals acceptable, especially since Anthony Eden was reported to hold similar views.

Russia's plans are unknown, but Morgenthau based his plans on these three assumptions about Russia:

- 1.—It wants East Prussia and most of Silesia given to Poland to offset Poland's loss of eastern territory to the Soviet.
- 2.—It wants German labor battalions to be put to work in the Soviet Union for reconstruction.
- 3.—It wants the U.S. and Britain to occupy Germany, in view of her own big manpower needs.

Hull is known to be determined that whatever plan is decided on must be agreeable to Russia as a basis of co-operation for a world security organization.

Morgenthau Plan

The Morgenthau plan is understood to provide:

- 1.—The removal from Germany to devastated countries of whatever industrial machinery these nations want and the destruction of the remainder.
- 2.—The permanent closing of whatever mines remain in the post-war German state.
- 3.—The cession of the Saar and western German industrial areas to France and the eastern areas to Poland.
- 4.—The dissolution of large German land holdings to small farms.
- 5.—To withhold assistance, economic or otherwise, to the German people, forcing them to make their own way.
- 6.—The prolonged control of Germany by an Allied military commission.
- 7.—No outright reparations, since Germany would be an agricultural state with little or no commerce.

MURDER NEAR PENTAGON

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26. — FBI agents questioned an elderly restaurant worker in connection with the death of Mr. Margaret Fitzwater, 53-year-old widow, whose nude and battered body was found floating in a lagoon near the woman's Pentagon building. The woman's throat had been slashed, police said.

Foxhole Imagination Boosts V₁ Into V₂

WITH THIRD U.S. ARMY, France, Sept. 26 (UP).—Front-line foxhole rumors describe Germany's unseen V₁ as a rocket bomb, 60 feet long, five feet in diameter, weighing 14 tons, propelled by liquid air and alcohol, controlled by radio and having an exploding radius of more than a mile. Guesses as to the size of the weapon have doubled in the past week.

Disinterested observers here are wagering that V₂ will rank in size with the 102-story Empire State Building in New York by the time the Yanks cross the Rhine.

GIs Terrorized In Paris? Army Denies Rumors

Categorically denying any widespread acts of violence or terrorism against American soldiers in Paris, Col. E. G. Buhrmaster, Seine Base Section provost marshal, declared yesterday that most troops injured in France's leading city were victims of traffic accidents.

The Army police chief quashed city-wide rumors that numerous American soldiers had been stabbed or shot in Paris alleys, stating that since the first 10 days after the liberation only occasional cases of foul play had been reported.

"These incidents were no more than what could normally be expected in a city this size," Buhrmaster said, noting that perpetrators of these isolated outrages included U.S. troops themselves as well as civilians.

No General Passes

He added that in the first 10 days after liberation an average of four murders were committed a day. Since, there have been only occasional incidents.

The provost marshal denied that terrorism was the reason for placing Paris off-limits to men on pass except those in the immediate area. He said food and housing shortages were the main reasons for the ban.

Except when they are on official business, no officers or enlisted men are allowed in the capital unless they are stationed in the "Paris area," which includes the city itself and most of the suburbs except Versailles. Men in the city on official business must carry written orders to that effect, it was stated.

Meanwhile, MP officials reiterated that no Army vehicle may be left unattended. All driverless jeeps and trucks are being picked up by MPs.

There is a GI transient parking lot in Paris where vehicles may be left under MP guard. It is at the Jardin des Tuileries, just off the Place de la Concorde.

Guts Took the Bridge at Nijmegen

WITH U.S. AIRBORNE TROOPS IN HOLLAND, Sept. 26 (AP). — For raw courage, the battle for Nijmegen bridge fought by American airborne troops ranks with the Marine capture of Tarawa in the Pacific.

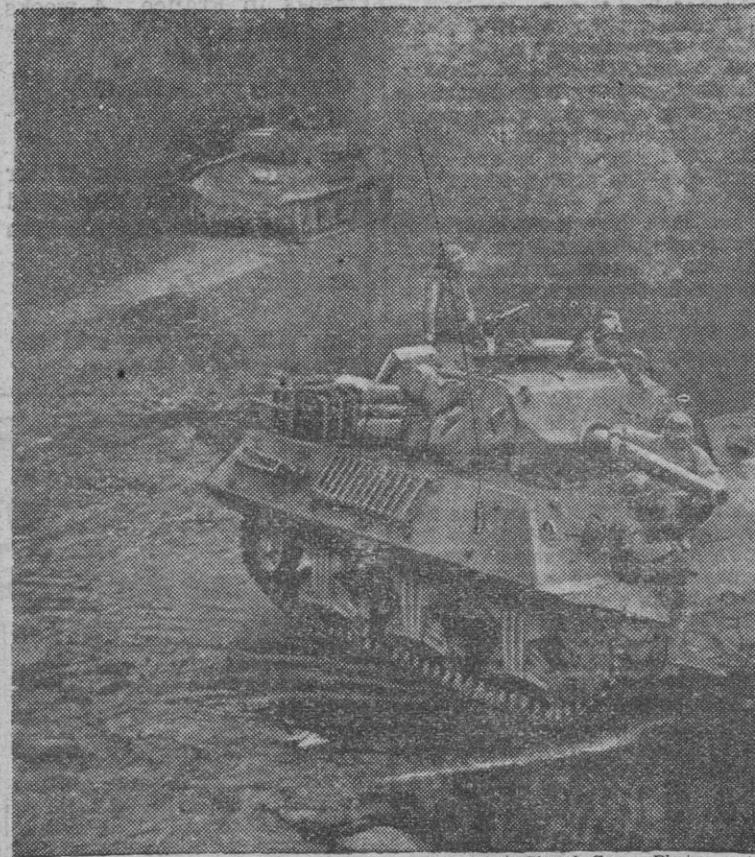
It was a masterpiece of military improvisation which was "impossible according to the textbooks" and was achieved "only through the quality of our troops," said the commanding general of the division which did it.

The audacious operation of crossing the 300-yard tidal Waal River in daylight under enemy fire—in which British troops and the Dutch underground played major rôles—was conceived and finished in less than 24 hours.

With the Germans holding both ends of the bridge—a lifeline to airborne troops isolated at Arnhem eight miles north—the Americans, after abandoning plans for a suicidal

Isolated Skytroops Wage Battle to Death in Holland; U.S. Fronts in Grip of Lull

TDs Stream Into Reich



U.S. Army Signal Corps Photo.

Water is no obstacle to these U.S. tank destroyers, which ford stream as they advance into Germany. The Americans entered the Reich in force on Sept. 12.

M18 TD Earns Manchuria Hit Praise of Army By B29s—Japs

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—The Army's new tank destroyer, the M18, has proved its effectiveness with "smashing performances" in France, the War Department said today.

"The M18 is the hottest thing in today's armored warfare," according to Capt. Charles R. Adkins, Army automotive expert just back from front-line observation with the Third Army.

Ten bogey wheels on the M18 each operate independently, and thus one broken wheel will not incapacitate the TD. The vehicle mounts cannon.

American super-Forts have bombed Anshan, important industrial city in Manchuria, already twice raided by B29s, Tokyo Radio reported yesterday. The War Department said only that "military targets" had been attacked by the super-Forts.

Meanwhile, reports from Peleliu Islands, in the Palaus, said that U.S. marines had killed 8,288 Japs in their drive inland. A single Catalina flying-boat has sunk two destroyer escorts and a submarine tender in the Gulf of Davao, in the Philippines, and a U.S. Navy plane destroyed a 10,000-ton tanker in the Celebes. Land-based aircraft bombed the harbor and shipping at Chichi Hima, in the Bonins.

Lifeline North Widened by British

Their strength sapped by mounting casualties and a nine-day struggle against terrific odds, a dwindling British airborne army yesterday continued its heroic stand west of Arnhem, in Holland, but field dispatches hinted that only immediate relief in strength could save the skytroops.

There was no confirmation of a German report that 600 men—remnants of units dropped into Holland to pave the way for a British thrust to the Rhine—had surrendered.

However, front-line reports indicated that the besieged garrison, isolated near Oosterbeek, two miles west of Arnhem, was holding under murderous enemy fire, awaiting aid from the British Second Army, which was massed on the south bank of the Lek River.

RAF Strikes in Support

Soon after the Nazis announced the surrender of the beleaguered troops, the RAF sent more than 1,100 heavy bombers to strike in support of the trapped airborne forces. Pounded were Osnabruck, Hamm and Bremen, communication centers on the main railroad supplying German troops defending the Lek.

A trickle of supplies and reinforcements for the paratroopers already has been shipped across the Lek, but rescue of the troops rests on a Second Army crossing of the river in strength. Apparently the Germans are massed on the north bank in wait for any such operation.

As Gen. Dempsey's right flank pushed out to the east to widen the corridor stretching from Belgium to the Dutch city of Nijmegen, British and Belgian patrols, heading for the German frontier, fanned out on a 42-mile front toward the Meuse. The Germans were reported to be blowing up their Meuse bridges.

The British Second Army, after smashing savage German attempts to cut the Allied lifeline from Belgium, widened the corridor by advancing eastward to capture the towns of Helmond, Deurne, and Liok. Liberation of the three towns virtually opened another route northward for the British.

In contrast to the fierce battle raging in Holland, there was a comparative lull on the First and Third U.S. Army fronts from north of

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3,500 Tons of Bombs Blast Nazis at Calais

RAF bombers in daylight yesterday dropped more than 3,500 tons of bombs on German positions at Calais and on heavy guns and radio equipment at Cap Gris Nez.

Monday night, RAF Mosquitoes attacked Mannheim, in western Germany, with the loss of one plane, while fighter-bombers of the U.S. Ninth Air Force hit enemy communications and marshalling yards for the eighth consecutive day.

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They've Got a Witness!

So far there has been nothing said about Ohio. Ohio may not be the best state, but you won't find one nicer. Ohio is the Indian word for beautiful. Anything you want, you will find it in Ohio.—Pvt. Glenn S. Robison, Cpl. Henry M. Birnbaum, Cpl. Serafino J. Falbo, T/3 Clarence E. McNeil, MRU.

P.S.—I am from New Jersey, but some of the happiest days of my life have been spent in Ohio.—Sgt. A. F. Stasi.

'Blood and Guts'

With all the hullabaloo going on about what to do with Germany after the war—why not install Gen. Patton as governor-general? Since the Huns seem to like to fight, he could divide them up into squadrons and companies and let them have a strictly GI war every two or three years. Better yet, he could put the entire German Army on one side, and with his two pearl-handled revolvers, take 'em on by himself.—John Rossel, Field Director, Am. Red Cross.

They Still Shoot at Us

You will find enclosed some photos clipped from today's newspapers. They show Yanks (?) sympathetically fraternizing with Germans just across the border. Isn't there an article of war making this a crime? What are these three GIs fighting, anyhow? It can't be war. May it's a new kind of picnic. We furnish the rations, German civilians eat 'em and graciously thank us.

I am in a general hospital now, because I was shot by a German soldier backed up by these people in the enclosed photo eating GI rations. There are 25 other men in this ward who are as angry at this as I am.

We're too soft-hearted yet toward the Nazis—and they're all Nazis whether they say so or not. Maybe we need a Pole or FFI man in each outfit to remind us what kind of people we're fighting.

For America's sake, and to stop a 1970 war, let's not coddle the enemy. They're still shooting at us.—S/Sgt. E. Brinkman.

Of War But Not Vote Age

The ballots are coming through! My buddies in the office, in the field, in the billets are all racking their brains to attempt to make their vote count for the best—especially when so much legislation and effort has been put forth to bring the ballot box to the foxholes.

Yet there are men who have actually shed their blood and have given their lives, and have never had an opportunity to vote for the country they sacrificed for. It seems logical that anyone who has been called upon to sacrifice for his country (and every soldier is sacrificing something, whether it be job, home, blood or life) should be considered old enough to have a voice in his government.

Yours, my voting buddies, is an important function in the government. You are voting in a democracy that your comrades have died to preserve, and it is a privilege, because even some of your superiors and buddies don't have it. Do you know of any other army that permits the men to vote for their own commander-in-chief?

So, you guys who are doing the voting, remember that you're doing mine and thousands of other GIs also. Do it sensibly!—T/5 Don Bredbenner, Port Bn.

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Hash Marks

About 50 artillerymen in France own an interest in one of the most cherished "Pin-Ups" in Europe. And it's not a gal—it's a large picture of Times Square during the rush hour.

Yanks are ingenious. After testing their ability at building tank-traps on the battlefield, a bunch of



Engineers on leave used their knowledge to build a "taxi-trap" on a big city thoroughfare and snare an elusive cab.

It could happen only in England. While cycling through a village one cool evening, Capt. L. M. Henderson overheard this little drama. A lady came to the door of a pub and called to her husband: "George, why don't you come in and drink your beer—it's getting cold!"

And then there is the chairborne commando who is all for winning the war—but bemoans the fact that it must be done in triplicate.

M/Sgt. Ross Cutrera reminds us that way back in October, 1941, some of the boys used to chant "O-H-I-O" (Over the Hill in October). Today they still chant "O-H-I-O" but it means "Over Hitler in October."

A kind word for the wolves has finally been spoken. Cpl. Leo Rio of an Air Service Command Depot thinks the wolves aren't so bad after all. In a pub the other night he heard one say, "Let us prey."

A cocky corporal swaggered into a London bank and said with a flourish: "Cash this check for two-



and six, will ya?" "Yes," smirked the clerk politely, "and how will you have it, sir—heads or tails?"

Post-War Project Department: A sharpie we know named Lefton plans to make his peace-time living selling imitation fire insurance policies to people who own imitation fire-places.

Private Breger



"He feels that these paper airplanes keep him in training, Sir!"

An Editorial

What Do You Do With This Kid?

AMONG the 20,000 Germans who surrendered at Beaugency the other day was a 17-year-old kid like this. He was cute as a bug, with flaxen hair, blue eyes and a peaches and cream skin that had never been nicked by a razor. He was shy and soft-spoken and he blushed as he talked, like any nice youngster with a grownup stranger. This is how the conversation went:

Question: How long have you been in the army?

Answer: 36 weeks. 32 weeks in France. 4 weeks in Germany.

Q: Are you a Nazi?

A: Yes.

Q: Were you in the Hitler Youth and the Nazi Children's organization (Pimpf)?

A: Yes.

Q: Will Germany win the war?



A: Yes. If the civil population of Germany can stick it, then we'll win the war.

Q: If Germany wins the war, will you punish the United States?

A: We want living space.

Q: If Germany doesn't win the war, will you fight again for lebensraum?

A: I cannot reply.

Q: Do you think the Germans are the master race?

A: If the Fuehrer says so, it is true.

Q: Where would you like to be sent?

A: To the United States.

Q: The U.S. has many kinds of people—Czechs, Poles, Negroes, Democrats, Jews.

A: After the war, it will be otherwise in the United States.

Q: There won't be those people any more?

A: They will disappear.

What do you do with a kid like that?

Anybody got any ideas?



Lt. Gen. Hermann Ramcke, commander of Brest's German garrison, was carried to captivity by the same USSTAF transport group which brought supplies to the Yanks who beat him.

The group, commanded by Col. Carl R. Feldmann, of Sabetha, Kan., since June 10 has flown 26,652 American and Allied wounded to England. Since D-Day the outfit has hauled 12,585 tons of supplies through liberated Europe, including small-arms ammunition for front-line troops and gasoline for the Third Army.

CPL. Marion F. Foulk, of Arcadia, Kan., equipped with a bazooka and an engaging personality, argued a German officer and 100 of his men into surrendering while a small-arms fight raged a short distance away. Supervising the construction of a road-block, Foulk dispersed his men on both sides of the road as a German convoy swept into view. The Nazi column stopped, the commanding officer jumped from his truck and his troops started firing on the Americans. Foulk and Pvt. John D. Foster, of

Jarvisburg, N.C., stepped into the open, aimed a bazooka directly at the Nazi officer and ordered him to (1) drop his weapon and (2) stop his troops firing. The German CO did both and the GI pair captured the lot.

1/Lt. Marshall T. Warfield Jr., of Woodbine, Md., turned the tables on the Germans the other day. Spotting a disabled Mark V tank, Warfield inched his way to the vehicle over shell-saturated terrain, manned the undamaged guns in the tank and KO'd a Nazi anti-tank gun and ammunition truck before the unsuspecting Germans had a chance to discover what had happened.

HOT showers are a distinct novelty to most soldiers in France, but not to members of the aviation engineer company commanded by Capt. Robert Wymer, of Poland, Ohio. The outfit boasts its own portable shower room.

Mounted on a reclaimed one-ton Army trailer, the shower unit is equipped with two salvaged belly tanks from a bomber, one for cold water, the other for hot. A reclaimed boiler using diesel fuel heats the water and four shower points furnish outlets.

"We can have hot water 20 minutes after we set up the unit," Wymer said. "All we have to do is pump water into the tanks, turn on the heat and soon we have enough hot water to supply the entire company."

A MEDICAL officer called down Sgt. Barney Thompson, of Henderson, Ky., for toting a .45 pistol. Surprised, the sarge explained he was supposed to carry the weapon as do other armored division men. The officer had confused Barney with his identical twin, Pvt. Quincy Thompson.

When S/Sgt. Joseph S. Larson of Denver, Minn., hopped into a foxhole to escape a blazing battle nearby, he poked the barrel of his rifle into the face of a German corporal, who'd beaten him to the hole, and came out with another candidate for the P/W cage.

AN excited Frenchman ran up to Cpl. Wallace Ansardi, of Braithwaite, La., and Arnold Gleason, of Minneapolis. He said five Americans were fighting 30 Germans a short distance from the road.

The two 90th Division doughboys, accompanied by 11 more soldiers, rushed to the scene only to discover the civilian had underestimated the situation. The five Yanks were pinned down by approximately 200 Nazis. When the smoke cleared 30 minutes later, the 13 GIs had killed 40 and captured 100 Jerries.

ABOVE and beyond the call of duty dept.:

Cpl. George A. Gritter made arrangements one night for a rare repast of bacon and eggs the next morning. He hid the delicacies and when he awoke, early, he prepared his breakfast. The eggs were fried, the bacon crisp, the coffee steaming.

As Gritter poised his fork for the attack, a messenger arrived with word that the Cpl. was to report to 1/Lt. Robert E. Jirousek, liaison officer, immediately for a trip to their tank battalion.

Without a word (they say) Gritter abandoned his feast and reported.

PINK-CHEEKED and healthy, his black frock coat and homburg standing out among GI combat uniforms like a dress suit on a football field, Archbishop Francis J. Spellman, of New York, was encountered in the midst of the Siegfried Line pillboxes by Stars and Stripes reporter Andy Rooney.

The archbishop bowls around the combat areas in a jeep, and everywhere the MPs snap to attention and salute the roly-poly figure, even though they are not sure just who he is. Spellman returns a gesture which is something between a wave and a salute.

Sunday, the well-known Catholic, who is military bishop for both Army and Navy, said mass in a church at Kornelimunster, a small town sandwiched in between rows of dragon's teeth along the Siegfried Line. He was assisted by the local German clergy, and he told Rooney they were perfectly friendly and correct.

Spellman's sermon touched on war sacrifices and hardships. The congregation was composed mainly of GIs.

As was his custom in rear areas, Spellman told men at the front that, if they would write out the names and addresses of relatives at home, he would write them when he returned to the States. Among those who turned in names was a German woman, who wished to contact her relatives in America.

Once Over Lightly

By Gene Graff

The remarkable record of Pete Gray, one-armed Memphis outfielder, is well known to sports fans. But Pete has a contemporary who hopes to do as well this fall on the football green for Michigan State.

The handicapped athlete is Ed Trahan, of Detroit, a lean 150-pounder bidding for a spot in the line. His left arm was amputated just above the elbow when he was three years old, the result of a mishap while tinkering with a washing machine.

Before matriculating to Michigan State, Trahan starred in tennis and track in high school.

Post-war tennis stars will come from the nation's high schools and colleges instead of from among returning veterans, according to 1/Lt. Frankie Shields. And Frankie should know what he's talking about because he was a top flight amateur star during the '30s and still wields a mean racket.

"When a tennis player reaches his 26th birthday," Frankie contends, "he's ready for the junk pile. In fact, most of the stars during the past two decades were finished long before they reached that age."

What Shields says is true because perennial Big Bill Tilden is the only netter who maintained his brilliant pace after hitting 26. Incidentally, Frankie probably selected 26 because he retired from big time competition at that age.

The death of Mrs. Payne Whitney, owner of the Greentree Stables, brings to mind one of the most unusual races ever run because it was her thoroughbred Shut Out, which won the race.

In 1940, Sportsman's Park, Chicago's half-mile oval, sponsored a series of progressive marathons, culminating in a four-mile grind, which sent the hayburners around the merry-go-round course eight times.

It was late in October when the race was staged and the track was cloaked in near-blackout fog. Shut Out chugged across like a weary milk wagon coolie in about 8:47, while track officials had to go out with gasoline lanterns to locate the also-rans.

SHORT SHOTS: Teddy Atkinson, the nation's leading jockey during the winter campaign, finally came through with a winner yesterday after 39 straight losing rides which had bettors going broke in nothing flat. During his spree, horseplayers didn't even look at the horses' names; they merely bet on Atkinson and let it go at that. . . . Gunder "The Wonder" Haegg, the flying Swede, yesterday denied published reports that he and Arne Andersson, the world's mile champion, would tour the States this winter. Haegg doesn't mind kicking up cinders on outdoor tracks, but he dislikes running on the indoor boards. . . . And how did Sid Luckman happen to be in the Chicago Bears' lineup Sunday when they fell before the Green Bay Packers? In the Maritime Service, Luckman received a furlough to participate in the College All-Stars game last month, after which he was supposed to return to duty. Yet he was very much present Sunday, according to Green Bay defenders who had to contend with his passes.

LOUISVILLE AHEAD, 3-0

ST. PAUL, Sept. 26.—The Louisville Colonels widened their lead over St. Paul to 3-0 in games by winning last night, 2-1, in the American Association playoffs. The teams play the fourth game tonight.

Browns Climb Into Tie for Lead

Parker's Payoff

By Pap



WHO SAID IS WASN'T A LUCKY NUMBER 3

HE WON THE NATIONAL SINGLES CROWN ON HIS THIRTEENTH BIRTHDAY.

—NOW HE'S COMPLETED THE LIST OF CHAMPIONSHIPS—BOYS' UNIV. CLAY COURT INDOOR SINGLES AND DOUBLES AND OUTDOOR DOUBLES AND SINGLES

—HE'S WINNING OUR REPUTATION FOR BEING HARD-BOILED

THE FORMER BALL-GUY WILL REALIZE HIS DREAM WHEN HE IS RANKED NO. 1 NATIONALLY FOR THIS YEAR.

THIS IS AN ODD WAR—IMAGINE SERGEANTS GOING IN FOR TENNIS

AP Features

Shaughnessy's T-Formation To Confront Irish Saturday

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Sept. 26.—The Fighting Irish of Notre Dame, generally regarded as the nation's outstanding football team last year, will have its mettle tested come Saturday when it runs up against the T-formation as charted by canny Clark Shaughnessy, professor of football at Pittsburgh University.

N.C. Flyers Clip Marines

CHAPEL HILL, N.C., Sept. 26.—With Otto Graham, former Northwestern All-American, running wild, the North Carolina Pre-Flight Cloudbusters thumped the Cherry Point Marines, 27-14, here before 12,000 Navy trainees.



Otto Graham

The Cloudbusters were stopped cold during the first half and lagged, 7-6, at the intermission. However, Graham's passes started to hit their targets in the third quarter and the Flyers shoved across three quick touchdowns to take a comfortable lead.

Graham's third period one-man-gang show included two touchdown passes and a personal downfield jaunt of 27 yards for the third.

Seals Slap Oakland; Take One-Game Lead

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 26.—The San Francisco Seals went on an eight-run rampage in the fourth inning to beat Oakland, 9-3, in the third game of their Pacific Coast League playoff series. The Seals now lead, two games to one.

Neil Sheridan, Jac Cavalli and Moe Prinz led the onslaught, each clubbing three hits. Floyd Stromme was the victim of the uprising.

How the AL Race Shapes Up Today

With six games to go and confronted by a three-game deficit, the Yankees can win the American League flag only by sweeping their remaining games—if the Tigers and Browns each lose four of their six games. If one of the leaders wins three games, the best the Yanks can get is a tie; four victories for either the Tigers or Browns will mathematically eliminate the defending champions.

The Yankees finish with a four-game series against the Browns, while the Tigers play four games against the Senators.

Cadets Ready For Tarheels

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Last week's opening slate of college grid-iron warfare furnished a line on first opponents for Army and Navy, which are expected to dominate the eastern football picture this year.

The Cadets shouldn't have much trouble with North Carolina when they take the field Saturday. The Tarheels' rumored immaturity was confirmed by their 7-0 defeat at the hands of Wake Forest, while the West Pointers have a surplus of stellar talent.

North Carolina Pre-Flight, however, promises to make things interesting for the power-laden Middies after their 27-14 victory over Clipper Smith's Cherry Point Marines. But the gridders from Annapolis, too, are loaded for bear this year.

Orioles Knot Series By Beating Buffalo

BALTIMORE, Sept. 26.—Baltimore's pennant-winning Orioles put the International League playoffs into a 3-3 deadlock here last night by defeating the Buffalo Bisons, 9-3. Stan West was the victor as the Orioles blasted Joe Orell and Emery Fresko for 11 hits, including a homer by Center Fielder Felix Machiewicz.

WEINTRAUB SUSPENDED

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Giant Manager Mel Ott followed up his suspension of Outfielder Danny Gardella last week by today suspending Phil Weintraub, the club's slugging first baseman, for the remainder of the season. Ott charged Weintraub with "indifferent playing in recent games."

A's Subdue Tigers, 2-1; Yanks Win

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Connie Mack's Athletics, not going anywhere in particular so far as the American League race is concerned, caused additional consternation among the leaders yesterday by humbling the Tigers, 2-1, permitting the Browns to climb back into a tie for first place.

Russ Christopher's four-hitter and a timely double by Ivy Hall that produced the clinching marker in the sixth pinned the defeat on Rufe Gentry. The A's turned in 16 assists, evidence of how Christopher had the Bengals beating the ball into the ground.

Laabs Heads Browns

Limiting the opposition to singles by Ray Partee and Skeeter Newsome, Nelson Potter twirled the Browns to a 3-0 shutout over the Red Sox and lifted the Browns into a deadlock for the lead.

Chet Laabs sparked the St. Louis assault on Clem Dreisewerd and Frank Barrett with a two-run homer in the third.

The dimming hopes of the Yankees were revived once more as the Bombers chopped their deficit to three games by subduing the White Sox twice, 3-1 in 12 innings and 5-4. Herschel Martin chased home all five runs in the windup with a pair of home runs to hand the verdict to Walt Dubiel over Joe Haynes. George Stirnweiss' single, a triple by Johnny Lindell and Nick Etten's two-bagger in the 12th netted the early nod to Mel Queen. Orval Grove was the loser.

The Indians continued to threaten Boston's clutch on fourth place by whitewashing the Senators last night, 6-0, with Ed Kliezman out-dueling Mickey Haefner. At present the Tribe trails the Bosox by three games.

Cards Rap Dodgers

An error by Eddie Miksis, Brooklyn rookie third sacker, paved the way for two runs in the ninth and permitted the Cardinals to down the Bums, 3-1. Harry Brecheen was credited with the triumph; Rube Melton suffered the reversal. Buddy Kerr's homer in the ninth carried the Giants and Ace Adams to a 3-2 success over the Reds, Ed Heusser being the losing pitcher.

After the Pirates went through the motions for one inning to finish a suspended game of Aug. 1 with a 13-8 victory, the Braves salvaged the regularly-scheduled contest, 5-4, in 13 frames. Bob Elliott personally accounted for all Pittsburgh runs with two homers, but Boston pecked away at Rip Sewell, Art Cuccurullo, Ray Starr, Xavier Rescigno and Preacher Roe to win.

LEONARD SUCCEEDS BEE

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Lt. Cmdr. Benny Leonard, who retired undefeated as world's lightweight champion, has been named to succeed Lt. Cmdr. Clair Bee, former Long Island University basketball coach, as recreation and morale officer at the Maritime Service's Sheepshead Bay Training Station.

Help Wanted —AND GIVEN

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Major League Results

American League

St. Louis 3, Boston 0 (night).
Philadelphia 2, Detroit 1.
New York 3-5, Chicago 1-4 (first game, 12 innings).
Cleveland 6, Washington 0 (night).
Detroit 84 64 568 ...
St. Louis 84 64 568 ...
New York 81 67 547 3
Boston 74 74 500 10
Cleveland 71 77 490 13
Chicago 69 79 465 15
Philadelphia 68 80 459 16
Washington 61 87 412 23

Leading Hitters

	G.	AB.	R.	H.	Pct.
Johnson, Boston.....	138	500	106	163	.326
Doerr, Boston.....	125	468	93	152	.325
Boudreau, Cleveland..	143	557	90	181	.324
Fox, Boston.....	120	491	72	156	.318
Stirnweiss, New York..	148	620	121	197	.318
Home Run Hitters					
Etten, New York, 21; Stephens, St. Louis, 19; Lindell, New York, and Johnson, Boston, 17.					
Runs Batted In					
Stephens, St. Louis, 103; Johnson, Boston, 100; Lindell, New York, 94.					

National League

Chicago 7-4, Philadelphia 6-1 (twilight night; first game, 10 innings).
St. Louis 3, Brooklyn 1.
New York 3, Cincinnati 2.
Boston 5, Pittsburgh 4 (13 innings).
St. Louis..... 102 46 689
Pittsburgh..... 88 60 565 14
Cincinnati..... 84 63 571 17 1/2
Chicago..... 72 75 490 29 1/2
New York..... 65 82 442 36 1/2
Boston..... 61 87 412 41
Brooklyn..... 60 88 405 42
Philadelphia..... 58 89 395 43 1/2

Leading Hitters

	G.	AB.	R.	H.	Pct.
Walker, Brooklyn.....	141	513	77	186	.363
Musial, St. Louis.....	142	552	107	190	.344
Medwick, New York.....	126	489	65	165	.337
Hopp, St. Louis.....	133	509	105	169	.332
W. Cooper, St. Louis 107 378 54 122 .323					
Home Run Hitters					
Nicholson, Chicago, 33; Ott, New York, 26; Northey, Philadelphia, 20.					
Runs Batted In					
Nicholson, Chicago, 113; Elliott, Pittsburgh, 105; Sanders, St. Louis, 101.					

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3 Red Armies Hammering at Gates of Riga

While three Russian armies battered at the defenses of Riga, capital of Latvia, from south, north and east, the Germans yesterday sent up fighter planes in force in a desperate bid to protect their communications as they pulled back into Riga and islands in the bay behind.

The Soviet First Army, driving up from the south, was reported in the "outskirts" of Riga, but the other two forces were meeting stiffer resistance. The Second Army, due east of the port, was hammering strong enemy defenses behind the "winter line," which had been smashed earlier. The Germans north of Riga were launching repeated and fierce counter-attacks.

Easier to Pronounce 'Bor'

LONDON, Sept. 26.—Gen. "Bor," commander-in-chief of the Polish Home Army fighting in Warsaw, has confirmed a German report that his real name is Lt. Gen. Tadeusz Komorowski.

GI Divorces Wife Who Shined Up to Brass on His Cash

Stars and Stripes U.S. Bureau

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Sept. 26.—A GI private fighting in France, whose bride allegedly squandered his pay on a captain now in the South Pacific, was granted a divorce recently in Jackson County Circuit Court with neither husband, wife nor co-respondent present.

Mrs. Bessie Selsor was the only witness, representing her son, Pvt. James O. Bryant, but she presented a story which was enough for Judge Paul Buzard, World War I veteran, to grant the divorce on grounds of adultery.

A letter from the captain to the private's wife found by Bryant's sister and offered as evidence, said: "The reason I kissed you a hundred times at the train was because I was thinking how much I love you."

Bryant's lawyer said: "A private shouldn't be paying an allotment for his wife to spend on another bird—especially a captain."

The Bryants were married Dec. 11, 1943, six hours before the soldier left for a port of embarkation.

Propose \$3,000,000 Express Highway Net

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—A high-speed post-war highway system able to serve an estimated 40,000 motor vehicles was envisioned by sponsors of road construction legislation which will be ready for Senate consideration this week.

Sen. Carl Hayden, (D-Ariz.) said he would move to take up the pending \$3,000,000 road construction proposal as soon as there are enough members on the floor to give it proper consideration. He made this statement after Senate Majority Leader Alban W. Barkley (D-Ky.) revealed steps had been taken to recall senators who were not included in the bare quorum available last week.

Rudolf Hess Is Removed To War Prisoner Camp

LONDON, Sept. 26.—Rudolf Hess, formerly Hitler's deputy, who was interned after flying to Britain in 1941, is now in a British prisoner of war camp where he eats the same food as his guards, Sir James Grigg, minister of war, disclosed in the House of Commons today. Hess has a radio and is allowed to listen to British and foreign newscasts. Previously, Hess was being detained in a private house.

NEW PLATES FOR CARS

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Sept. 26.—Wyoming motorists will see new metal license plates for 1945 to replace plates which have been in use for several years. However, only one will be issued for each vehicle, instead of two.

U.S. Girl Interprets at Front in GI Garb

Chicago Miss Is Getting Even With Gestapo And French Jail

By Ralph Harwood

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer.

WITH U.S. FORCES NEAR METZ, Sept. 26.—At the front there is a good-looking girl in GI uniform who speaks English with the unmistakable accent of a Middlewestern American. She speaks French like a native, too, and that's her reason for being here. Her name is Monica Storrs, and she calls Chicago home, although she hasn't been there for five years.

Anxious as she is to get back, however, she doesn't plan on going until her service as an interpreter for a cavalry reconnaissance troop is no longer needed.

At Tours When Nazis Struck

Miss Storrs was in France with her parents in 1939 when the war broke out. The family remained in the country and was at Tours when the lightning German breakthrough occurred in 1940. Although they could not get out, they had the freedom of occupied France as long as America remained a non-belligerent. Monica, then 21 years old, decided to study nursing.

Miss Storrs eventually became the head of a district for the French Red Cross, but her luck broke and she was denounced by French collaborators at Blois in July, 1944. The Gestapo took her into custody and she spent 21 miserable days in jail.

The day that advance American units approached Blois, Monica was released along with other prisoners, by French patriots. Rankling from Gestapo treatment and anxious to be of service to her country, this American girl walked



Stars and Stripes photo by Braentigam.

Monica Storrs, 25, American girl who "joined" the Army here when freed from a Gestapo jail, poses with members of cavalry recon unit she accompanies as interpreter. Left to right, T/5 Clarence E. Miller, of Adrian, Mich., Alfred Pairen, of the FEI, Miss Storrs and Lt. Robert Downs, of Harrisburg, Pa.

up to the men of the cavalry recon troop which had entered the town first and identified herself.

Surprised as the men were to find an American girl in Blois, they were much more surprised when she asked if she could accompany them as an interpreter.

A Deal Is Made

A hurried conference among the men and it was a deal. Monica Storrs was in—unofficially, true, but then Hoyle goes by the board plenty at the front, and this was clearly a case of military expediency.

The troop lost no time in getting their new "member" a GI outfit, complete from shoes like she never wore before to helmet netting. That was Aug. 15, and she's been with the outfit since. They've covered

hundreds of miles in northern and northeastern France, dashing into scores of towns and villages to get first-hand information about the enemy for the infantry unit to which they're attached.

Monica isn't particularly concerned with just what her military status is and what would happen to her if she were captured by the enemy.

There have been close calls, but Miss Storrs enjoys the excitement. Now that she knows her parents are safe in liberated territory, her principal worry is what this business of battling about the countryside day and night in a peep is doing for her appearance.

"When I get back to the States after this is over," she said, "I'm going to spend three d. s. of every week at the hairdresser's!"

Allied Advance In Italy Slow

Ferocious counter-attacks by the Germans north of the broken Gothic Line yesterday slowed, but failed to stop the advance of the Fifth and Eighth Armies. Americans driving north from Futa Pass were pushing toward Bologna against heavy opposition, while the Eighth Army crossed the Rubicon at two places, occupied San Benedetto and drove the Germans from the heights of Monte Scarabattolo and Monte Carnevale. The Germans were said to have suffered heavy losses.

The Germans were reported to be using large numbers of self-propelled guns and Tiger tanks to stiffen the savage resistance by infantry and paratroops. Aided by heavy rain and mud-clogged roads, they were attempting to set up a new line along the forward slopes of the high ground north of the Gothic Line.

Prettiest Wac



Pvt. Kathleen McCann of Detroit, was named the prettiest WAC in America at a New Jersey state fair service beauty contest.

Fourth Armored Wins a Tribute For Aid in Drive

WITH THE FOURTH ARMORED DIV., Sept. 26.—A message of congratulation has been sent to the Fourth Armored Division for its fighting toward Germany by a corps commander.

The message was received by Maj. Gen. John S. Wood, commander of the Fourth Armored.

The message read:—"Heartiest congratulations. Another job quickly and well done. So far, your command has been the spearhead of this corps, which led all others in advance to the east."

Guts

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an-hour tide carried them 500 yards west. The men had to get out of the boats and drag them back to the starting point.

Again the boats braved the river, the men paddling like mad. Machine-gun bullets were ripping the water and coming closer. Finally they were no longer hitting the water. They hit something more solid, said Col. R. H. Tucker, of Amsonis, Conn.

Eight boats returned from the second trip. Some had landed with three dead and four wounded out of a boatload of 11 combat infantrymen. Some crews had bailed out. But finally the job was done. The Americans quickly overwhelmed the Nazi fortress.

"You'd never have got American troops out of a fortress like that," said Tucker.

Meanwhile, veterans of Sicily and Normandy had been engaged in fierce fighting at the Nijmegen end of the bridge. "The enemy fought with fanaticism never before experienced by our veterans," said Lt. Col. Benjamin Vandercoort, of Columbus, Ohio.

Finally both ends of the bridge were seized and British tanks rolled across. But it was due to the Dutch underground that it was not blown up. The Germans wired the bridge for mining, but the partisans kept the wires cut.

'Chutists Wage Battle to Death

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Aachen down to the Meurthe Valley.

Only one small enemy counter-attack was reported in the First Army sector, where Yank patrols penetrated Aachen's defenses. They reported that most of the German residents had been evacuated and that the city was well fortified.

In the Moselle sector, where the Third Army is 20 miles from the Siegfried Line, activity slackened yesterday after a day in which the Americans repelled continuous counter-attacks. In one assault eight of 13 German tanks were knocked out.

General Tire Plans Lab For Rubber, Akron's 3d

AKRON, Ohio, Sept. 26.—The General Tire and Rubber Co. has announced plans for a research laboratory to cost \$500,000. This is the third such project for Akron. The Firestone Tire and Rubber Co. and the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. have already built research laboratories.

The General plant will delve into plastics as well as rubber and synthetic, according to an announcement by President William O'Neil. It will be built behind the General plant on Englewood Avenue.

Yank Becomes Sniper With a 75-mm. Gun

WITH U.S. AIRBORNE TROOPS IN HOLLAND, Sept. 22 (Delayed) (AP).—Lt. John Spooner gave evidence of his marksmanship heritage today when with a field-artillery gun he picked a German observer from a telephone pole at 6,000 yards.

The Wilmington (N.C.) soldier got his man after firing three smoke bursts and then ten rounds with a 75-mm. The feat didn't exactly please his commanding officer, who figures that the ammunition cost taxpayers \$100, where "the infantry kills Germans at five cents a round."

Land Suggests Merchant-Ship 'Crisis' Hoard

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—Rear Adm. Emory S. Land, war shipping administrator, told a House merchant marine subcommittee today that after the war the U.S. should establish a "sanctuary" of between 500 and 2,000 merchant vessels which would be untouchable except in emergencies.

Aside from this shipping reserve, Land advocated an American merchant marine adequate to carry 40 to 50 percent of America's foreign trade, with a subsidy to shipping operators to offset lower foreign operating costs.

Land said it "might reverberate very uneconomically" and would be "one of the prime movers of World War II" if the U.S. required all American goods to be carried in American vessels.

He said he hoped the government would sell government-owned fast merchant vessels to private American operators and surplus to any of the United Nations. He denied that new fast freighters were being turned over to Britain under Lend-Lease.

PEP TALK, INDIAN STYLE

GALLUP, N.M., Sept. 26.—Informed that his son was wounded in action in the Pacific, a Navajo Indian rushed the following message to the soldier: "If you are wounded in the leg and can't march you should tell the Army and come home. If you are not wounded in the leg, get up pronto and shoot some more Japs."

CORKY KELLY'S STEP-BROTHER

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—Corky Kelly, the four-year-old son of the late hero Capt. Colin P. Kelly Jr., has a step brother. Corky's mother, who is now the wife of a Navy lieutenant, gave birth to a son six weeks ago, it was disclosed yesterday. She remarried last October.

STUDY POST-WAR RUBBER

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—Experts of the U.S., British and Netherlands governments will soon begin studies of post-war rubber problems. They will consider production, manufacture and use of both crude and synthetic rubber, according to an announcement by the State department.

FRILLS RETURN ON V-DAY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—When the European war ends, restrictions on feminine dress styles will end too, the WPB announced. The restrictions have resulted in the shortest skirts in years and abolition of any frills. Because of textile shortage, no great changes in styles are expected.

FLOWER MAY BLCOM A STAR

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—President Roosevelt today was reported to be considering Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, of New York, as a member of the Allied Control Commission for Italy. LaGuardia probably would be made a brigadier general.

WISHFUL WHISTLE

DALLAS, Tex., Sept. 26.—Dallas is suffering from "V-Day" jitters. A whistle on a freight train stuck and several hundred residents decided right away it signaled the end of Hitler.

GRIPSHOLM REACHES U.S.

JERSEY CITY, Sept. 26 (AP).—The SS Gripsholm, bearing 219 seriously sick and wounded American officers and men, exchanged for disabled German prisoners at Goteborg, Sweden, has arrived here.

PUBLISHER DIES

LOS ANGELES, Sept. 26.—Harry Chandler, 80, publisher of the Los Angeles Times and prominent Pacific Coast financier, died here.

Hints Sweden Will Fight If Border Is Violated

WASHINGTON, Sept. 26.—Swedish Minister W. J. Bostrom, asked if Sweden would fight if German troops in Finland and Norway attempted to retire across her territory, said yesterday, "I should think so."

The minister talked with reporters after spending a half hour with Secretary of State Cordell Hull, during which, he indicated, he discussed Sweden's position.