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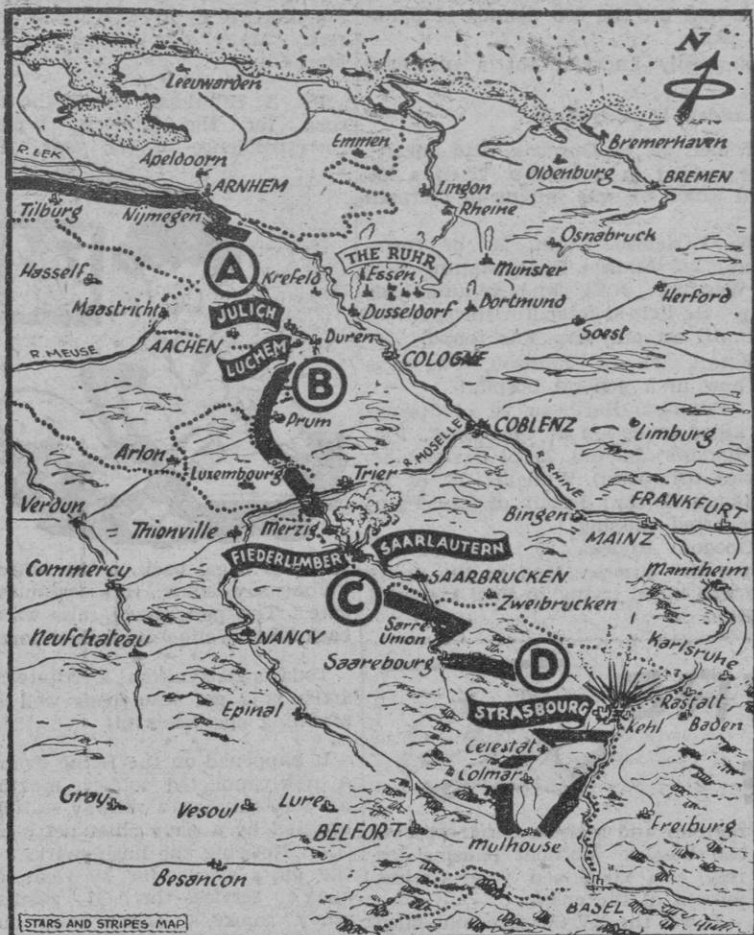
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War on Holy German Soil



On the Western Front, Germans fight to stem advances of the Ninth Army (A) and the First Army (B) toward the Ruhr Valley. On the Saar River (C), they burn Fiedlerlumber as the Third Army enters Saarlautern. At Strasbourg (D) they burn three Rhine bridges.

Patton Holds 35-Mi. Front Inside Reich as 7th Army Forges North in Rhineland

Saarlautern Afire As Infantry Mops Up

By Jimmy Cannon
 Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

WITH THE 95th DIV. AT SAARLAUTERN, GERMANY, Dec. 4.—Saarlautern, Nazi industrial city which formerly housed a population of 30,000, yesterday burned in tall-flamed fires despite a steady rain. Organized resistance ceased in the artillery-broken section of the ruined city on the west bank of the Saar River.

In assault boats manned by the 320th Engr. Bn., men of the 379th Inf. Regt. crossed the 300-foot-wide river and captured a steel-reinforced concrete bridge. The crossing was made in the foggy darkness before dawn and baffled the enemy with its daring surprise. Not a shot was fired at them until they had reached the east bank.

'Nice Day for Crossing'

The captured bridge had been wired with explosives but the swift stealth of the crossing prevented demolition. However, the Germans blew another bridge across the river. "It was a nice day for a crossing," said Capt. Elias Tolbert, of Culpeper, Va., of the 300th Engr. Bn. "As soon as we got them across we started to build an infantry support bridge. It was a breeze until it got light enough for them to draw a bead on us. After they zeroed in on us they started knocking the stuff out faster than we could put it together."

Snipers were still at work in the eastern part of the city as the doughfoots mopped up. Roads leading into Saarlautern were being heavily shelled from the ridges surrounding the thickly mined city.

2,200 Planes Hit Reich Cities

Twelve hundred Eighth Air Force Liberators and Fortresses, their 100-mile-long formation guarded by 1,000 Eighth and Ninth Thunderbolts, Mustangs and Lightnings, yesterday rocked marshalling yards and industrial targets in five western Reich cities while RAF fighter-escorted Lancasters attacked railway objectives in Oberhausen in the Ruhr.

The heavies, which last month concentrated their main weight of more than 40,000 tons of bombs on Nazi fuel plants, attacked Kassel, Mainz, Giessen, Soest and Denra. (Continued on Page 4)

Only One Superfort Lost In 4 Attacks on Tokyo

The War Department yesterday reported good results by the Superfortress from Saipan, which made their fourth raid on Tokyo Sunday. The Musashino aircraft factory was the target.

One B29 was lost after an attack by fighters, the first lost through enemy action in the four raids. Four Japanese fighters were definitely destroyed and eight others probably destroyed.

Nazis Kill Own Men Who Tried to Give Up

WITH U.S. NINTH ARMY, GERMANY, Dec. 4 (UP).—Ninth Army troops took few prisoners in the town of Linlich. The Nazis mowed down their own men who tried to surrender. Most of the Roer River town's 500 last-ditch defenders were killed. Some were shelled by their own artillery. Twenty-five men who surrendered from one pillbox were shot down by fire from another as they marched out with hands up.

9th Army Fights To Clear Roer's West Bank

Elements of the U.S. Third Army's Fifth Division drove across the German border south of embattled Saarlautern yesterday, extending the Third Army front inside Germany to 35 miles. In the South, U.S. Seventh Army forces pushed northward on the Alsatian Plain to within 35 miles of Karlsruhe, Rhineland industrial center.

Fifth Div. troops breached the frontier at Wilhelmsbrunn after a two-mile advance. Seventh Army troops to the southwest, in Alsace, entered Grumbrechtshoffen, eight miles northwest of Hagenau.

Down 38 Planes

In the north, U.S. First Army anti-aircraft artillery scored one of the biggest air victories of the Western Front by shooting down 38 of a force of 120 planes the Germans hurled against First Army's advance toward the Roer River, unconfirmed reports reaching SHAEF.

Inden Trenches Cleared of Nazi Troops, Tanks

By Russ Jones
 Stars and Stripes Staff Writer

INDEN, GERMANY.—This little town of a few hundred houses and three bridge sites across the Inde River are firmly in American hands today after almost a week of some of the heaviest fighting since Normandy.

Although the first troops entered the city late Tuesday, it wasn't until this morning that they succeeded in driving the Germans from the west side and had crossed the stream. Some Nazis of the Third Paratroop Div. are still making a last ditch stand in the factories on the east side.

House-to-House Fighting

The attacking unit found the town defended by troops emplaced in a trench and dugout system of unprecedented depth and strength. Panther and tiger tanks were stationed in trenches big enough to allow them to maneuver.

Infantry commanded by Lt. Col. John W. White, of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, made its way into the outskirts of the village. From there it was house-to-house fighting, with the Americans doing well, until the Nazi tanks moved up. 1/Lt. Jerry M. Page, of Rockland, Mich., who had joined the company two weeks before as a replacement, led a group across a bridge, cutting the German demolition wires as they went.

A counter-attack cut them off from escape over the bridge. The men pulled pieces of wire from a fence, splicing them together, and Pvt Robert B. Thompson swam the river carrying the cable in his teeth. He tied the end and the other men followed hand-over-hand.

Anti-Nazis Increasing, Says Goering Friend

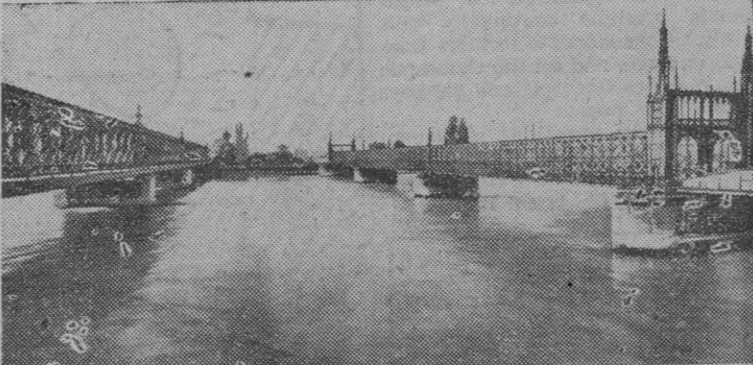
WITH U.S. SEVENTH ARMY, Dec. 4 (UP).—An army friend of Reichsmarshal Hermann Goering, taken prisoner on this front, told questioners today that "A very large part of the German army command was connected with the attempt to assassinate Hitler July 20." He added, however, that the Nazi party now is in full control of Germany and chances of revolt are "considered small."

said. Sixteen more enemy planes were probably destroyed, these reports said.

In Holland, British Second Army troops overran the Nazis' last bridgehead on the west bank of the River Maas, Tommies advancing through thick minefields crushed almost all resistance pockets on the west bank. Late Associated Press reports from London said they reached the outskirts of the Dutch border city of Venlo.

U.S. Ninth Army forces massed along a 20-mile stretch of the Roer River's west bank. They fought on the western outskirts of Julich where Germans were defending the city's sports stadium, which United (Continued on Page 4)

Nazis Destroy Bridges Over Rhine



Germans destroyed these two bridges across the Rhine, east of Strasbourg, as American and French forces approached. Left is the six-span, double-tracked railroad bridge, and right is the three-span highway and tramway bridge. Another railway bridge also was blown up.

Soviet Troops 60 Miles From Austrian Border

The Red Army's breakthrough across the Danube River in southern Hungary yesterday assumed the proportions of a major offensive with the triple spearheads of 20 infantry divisions and half-a-dozen armored divisions, by German estimate, smashing westward to within 60 miles of the Austrian border and northward to within 40 miles of Budapest.

The westward thrust of Marshal Tolbukhin's Third Ukrainian Army carried more than 100 miles toward Austria in its first six days. Meanwhile, "free German" quarters in Stockholm reported that the Nazis had started to evacuate to safer areas farther west all their war factories in Vienna and Wiener Neustadt, south of the Austrian capital, with their 1,500,000 workers. German government departments moved to Vienna during the heavy raids on Berlin last winter also were said to be pulling out.

The Germans admitted that a major Soviet tank group had pushed west from Kaposvar some 30 miles to the area of Lake Balaton. The lake, about 40 miles long, lies (Continued on Page 4)

CIO Heads, in London, Will Visit Continent

LONDON, Dec. 4.—Three CIO leaders, here for consultations with British unionists, said today they expected to visit France and Belgium. They are Sidney Hillman, chairman of the Political Action Committee, and R. J. Thomas and Emil Rieve, presidents of the United Automobile Workers and United Textile Workers unions.

General Strike Ties Up Athens

Martial law was proclaimed in Athens yesterday and British authorities acted to back up Premier George Papandreu's government as a general strike called by the leftists' EAM (Greek National Liberation Front) paralyzed all public utilities, closed the shops and factories and tied up the docks of the Piraeus.

While one government official, Undersecretary of War Ptolemeos Sarigianis, resigned, Papandreu and other cabinet members abandoned the government offices, where British troops had stood on guard, and lodged themselves in the Grande Bretagne Hotel. Shooting broke out in the neighborhood between ELAS (resistance militia) troops and members of a Rightist organization.

Grew Named Stettinius Aide
 WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—President Roosevelt today nominated Joseph C. Grew, career diplomat and formerly ambassador to Japan, to be undersecretary of state. He will succeed Edward R. Stettinius Jr., new secretary.

GIs Pace N.J. Bond Drive

NEWARK, N.J., Dec. 4.—New Jersey servicemen and women are buying proportionately almost twice as many war bonds as New Jersey civilians, John E. Manning, state war finance administrator, said today in urging the home front to get on the ball. Of the \$12,500,000 worth of bonds sold in New Jersey since the Sixth War Loan drive opened, Nov. 28, Manning said, members of the armed services have bought \$2,137,000, or 17 percent. He estimated that some 425,000 New Jersey men and women in the services comprised about ten percent of the population. "Many of the men represented in this Army and Navy personnel purchase," Manning said, "undoubtedly have already lost their lives since they invested in the future of the U.S."



Medical Switch

Two medical officers several weeks ago suggested some type rotation plan to give front-line doctors in aid stations and casualty collecting companies a chance to work in hospitals for a change, rather than stay out in the front and "stagnate" for the duration.

Mongrels?

Heading your B Bag Column for 17 November was a plea for licensed brothels. Right across from it was an editorial with the caption "We are the Mongrels."

Ticket for Leavenworth

I took a truck to an Ordnance Shop for a checkup and when I returned, I found tools and the first-aid kit were missing.

Favors Higher Tax

We don't know much about Mr. Ruml, and we are not tax experts, but we do know that it takes money to pay a debt and the U.S. is in tremendous debt.

More Points

Please explain to me, and a million other guys, why we don't tell Germany what we mean by "unconditional surrender"?

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'Filthy 13' Bathed - In Blood

506th PARACHUTE INF. REG., Dec. 4.—The "Filthy Thirteen"—that fabulous, ferocious gang of American paratrooper desperadoes who refused to take a bath for six months before D-Day—have washed again.

died trying to destroy an enemy machine-gun nest. Pvt. James F. Green, of Norwood, Ohio, never jumped. He stepped out of line when his reserve chute accidentally ripped open.

SOMEWHERE IN EUROPE



War Stops for Chow

When Sgt. J. C. Crooks, of East Gastonia, N.C., and his 28th Inf. Div. outfit stumbled on a depot of K-rations after three days without food, it didn't take them long to go to work.



and started at the other end, neither side said a word. They just elbowed each other out of the way.

'Ghost' Corps Honored

Honors bestowed on the XX "Ghost" Corps for its capture of Metz include a commendation by Lt. Gen. George S. Patton, Jr., and Legion of Honor awards from the French government for Corps Commander Maj. Gen. Walton H. Walker and two other Corps generals.

ner in which your corps accomplished the capture of the heretofore impregnable city of Metz is an outstanding military achievement."

Son of Battle

One Third Army TD battalion is literally "making a name for itself." When Capt. John D. Singer of the medical detachment was asked by the parents to name the baby boy he helped deliver, his choice was "John Tank Destroyer Laundinfield."

Bargain Day

A platoon of the Tenth Regt., Fifth Inf. Div., was attacking a farmhouse believed to be harboring ten or 15 Germans. The men, under command of 2/Lt. Irving G. Segal, of Schenectady, N.Y., demanded the surrender of the 15 men, and were more than somewhat surprised when 83 Germans filed out.

XV Corps Commended

Lt. Gen. Alexander M. Patch, commander of the Seventh Army, has commended officers and men of the XV Corps for their "outstanding achievement" which resulted in the capture of Strasbourg.

Private Breger



"Oh, oh, you shouldn't have asked for cream."

regroup and make a stand west of the Vosges. Without pausing for rest, you continued your tireless pursuit of the enemy."

It was the XV Corps, commanded by Maj. Gen. Wade H. Haislip, which spearheaded the Third Army's drive to Paris after the first Allied crossing of the Seine.

Not Like Paris

German MPs were taken off Metz street corners and out of the beer halls and put into the line. Men from the Fifth Inf. Div. reported the Nazi MPs who were captured had unbuttoned coats and dirty shoes.

A. Hitler, Please Note

Alarmed at the approach of three tanks, a handful of Germans around Landroff shouldered their Berlin-made bazookas and knocked out the leading juggernaut.

In the morning they eagerly examined their work. Instantly



they recognized the black and white crosses on their still-smouldering victims. They had knocked out two of their dwindling supply of panzers.

But it was an understandable error, according to 1/Lt. Joseph MacGregor-Vale, 80th Div. artillery forward observer from Kansas City, Mo. He said none of the Germans had seen an unwrecked panzer in months.

Extension Granted

A 40-year-old German soldier was on furlough, visiting his folks. He saw them all right, but he also saw the U.S. Army, which had just captured his home town.

Detects Fizz Watch

A careful search of his equipment failed to uncover the missing wristwatch of Sgt. Whitney J. Duplantis, Fifth Armored Div. soldier. As a last resort, he borrowed a mine detector and discovered the watch buried in mud.

Hash Marks

Observation (by Pvt. Lawrence O. Kitchen): "The meanest man in town used to be the guy who field-stripped his cigarette butts—now it's the GI who saves the butts to smoke in his pipe."

And Sgt. Al Nigro attributes the rag shortage to an old Chinese proverb, "Many men smoke but Fu Man Chu."

Pfc A. Schulman claims the record for the shortest V-mail correspondence of the year. He



wrote to a gal back in the States, "What say, mate, let's communicate." The pert young miss wrote back, "Sorry chum, broken thumb."

Today's Daffynition. A strip-tease artist is a gal who looks well in anything she takes off.

It happened on the Home Front. A newly-inducted soldier, making his way through a railway station, brushed by a navy chief petty officer. Noticing the hash marks on the guy's sleeve—for 30 years or more service—the GI gasped, "Holy, smoke, I didn't know our Navy was THAT old!"

As far as we are concerned, Hitler is on the right track. If he keeps



firing Nazi officials he's bound to get around to himself.

Our spy on the Home Front reports that Carole Landis of the classy chassis was walking down the street when a man sidled up to her and handed her a note. On it was written, "Carole, I'm a deaf mute—but let this pass as a whistle."

A WAC was heard to comment to her boy friend the other night: "You grumble because you have to be on guard once a week. We have to be on guard all the time."

Some medics we know report that a lot of guys are showing up these days at sick call with burned lips. Been smoking those fags too short.

Afterthought. A bachelor is a guy who never Mrs. anything. J. C. W.

Births

FOLKS AT HOME SEND THESE GIs SWIFT NEWS OF SIR STORK'S ARRIVAL: PVT. Apiel, Plank, Ky.—Robert Leslie, Nov. 4; Pfc John Avery, Westpoint, Ga.—Dawn Sharron, Nov. 29; Sgt. John Bauer, Long Island, N.Y.—boy, Nov. 25; Lt. Jay Braden, Baltimore—John William, Nov. 23; Major H. Bryzucki, Chicago—boy, Nov. 29; S/Sgt. Peter Carmello, Providence—Loretta Ann, Nov. 5; Cpl. Jesse Cherry, Washington, Ind.—Jean Elizabeth, Nov. 12; Sgt. Melvin Dillaplain, Sabatha, Kan.—boy, Nov. 22; Pfc Milton Goldwater, Plateau, N.Y.—Phyllis Elaine, Nov. 21; Capt. Sylvester Gowell, Atchison, Kan.—boy, Nov. 27; Lt. Darrell Grabb, Tacoma—Gary Conrad, Nov. 12; Lt. H. C. Hansen—Richard Paul, Nov. 24; Pfc George Hrabe, Kensington, Kan.—Michael Joseph, Nov. 26; Cpl. William Haughey, Norfolk, Mass.—Kathleen Ann, Nov. 25; Sgt. Billy Joe Henderson, Chickasha, Okla.—boy.

Once Over Lightly

By Andy Rooney

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—There will be more Army-Navy football games with as much of a feeling of rivalry as any played in the past. But, it may be a long time before the Cadets and Midshipmen will take the field with as much individual emotion and unbridled spirit as did the elevens which locked horns Saturday in Baltimore.

On the basis of their seasonal records and their ranking as the nation's top teams, plus the fact that Army had been humbled in the last five games between the service schools, the conflict was billed as the "game of the year," and it was that.

AFTER the game, there were no Navy alibis. Lt. Cmdr. Oscar Hagberg grimly admitted "they beat hell out of us." Army's Col. Red Blaik, tossing a bouquet at a thoroughly defeated foe, observed "it was just a question of the No. 1 team of the country beating the No. 2 team."

When emotions cooled and tempers quieted there was little reference to the game itself. But there were plenty of "give and take" during the sixty minutes of combat. On several occasions Navy took more than it was able to dish out and players got up ready to swing, but didn't. Three or four times Navy substitutes started out on the field, but were ordered back to the bench by Hagberg.

Navy tempers flared most when its Bob Jenkins reeled off the field with a head injury and Don Whitmire, its all-America tackle, limped off with a torn cartilage in his left knee.

WHITMIRE was reported by Army players to have said, "Take me out of here," after one of "Doc" Blanchard's pulverizing plunges rolled over him. It may have been so, but from where we sat the big Alabamian played a great game. Until his leg caved in he stopped everything aimed at his side. In the second half, with his knee strapped, Whitmire was simply a cripple trying to stop the wave of power the Cadets shot at him.

SHORT SHOTS: Army will be back next year without seven stalwarts—Backs Doug Kenna, Tom Lombardo and Dale Hall, Center Bob St. Onge, End E. Rafalko, Tackle Arch Arnold and Guard Joe Stanowicz. But the academy has enough strength and depth to be on the top or near it for a few years to come. Navy will be even stronger with its regular backfield, most of its line and a horde of able reserves available. Moreover, Annapolis' next year will have Notre Dame's Bob Kelly, Penn's Tony Minisi, Mississippi State's Tom McWilliams and Indiana's "Hunchy" Hoernschmeyer. Gillette Razor Co., which paid \$25,000 for Saturday's broadcasting rights, rates a rose for not using a single commercial line. Scalpers asked \$150 for seats night before the game.

Help Wanted —AND GIVEN

Write your question or problem to Help Wanted, The Stars and Stripes, Paris, France, APO 887.

AFOs WANTED

PVT. Sam Lapinsky, 32351221; Lt. Victor Madura; Pfc John M. Miglis; Sgt. Marvin Mills, Pioneer, La.; Cpl Edward J. Matosziuk, 33593981; T/S Edger Buster Nelson, 38097844; Maj. Wallace Page, Chattanooga; Jessie Patriquin; Lt. Fred B. Perry, Lansing; T/Sgt. John Redmon, Walkertown, N.C.; Pvt. Orrie Rogers, Rock Island; Lt. Florence Roth, NYC; Lt. Thomas S. Rankin; Sefvia, Derby, Conn.; Cpl. Floyd Scavo; Capt. Kenneth H. Semes; Pvt. Joseph Shuhda; Laurence E. Stanton, Coleman, Tex.; Pvt. Richard Stewart, 35229600; Pfc Dwayne Scott, Odessa, Tex.; T/Sgt. Dorris H. Uziel, 18005687; Sgt. George Wuersch, Louisville, Ky.; Ernest Wright, Red Oak, Iowa; Lt. Peggy Wilson, Avon Lake, Ohio.

PVT. George Anderson, Brooklyn; Maj. Albert L. Berndt, Brooklyn; Pvt. Carrie Bussinger, Blue Earth, Minn.; Sgt. Florence Heney, Rochville Center, N.Y.; Pvt. Earl Legans, Columbus, Ind.; Pvt. John Melgrin, 3752315; Pvt. William Romaine, Long Island.

S/SGT. Richard Sagers, Hood River, Ore.; Pvt. John Shanahan; Robert Smith, Cleveland; Pfc Donald Witt, Mt. Wolf, Pa.; Lt. Kenneth Witt, Dover, Pa.; Pvt. Russel Witt, York, Pa.; Pvt. Ben Zarretsky, New York; S/Sgt. Lloyd E. Zook, La Porte, Ind.

N.Y. Giants Defeat Redskins, 16-13

Twilight Tear Named Finest Horse of Year

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Twilight Tear, Calumet Farms' queen of thoroughbreds, today was named "horse of the year" by the Daily Racing Form and associated newspapers. She is the first filly ever to win the title.

The three-year-old daughter of Bull Lea won 14 of her 17 starts in 1944 and earned \$167,555. Her record included a streak of 11 straight victories, including three over stablemate Pensive, Derby-Preakness winner.

This marked the third time in four years that one of Warren Wright's runners has captured the award. Whirlaway was named in '41 and '42.

Walter Jefford's Pavot, which won all eight of his starts, was a unanimous selection for the two-year-old award, while Edward R. Bradley's Busher, daughter of War Admiral, was named the leading juvenile filly.

Alfred Parker's By Jimminy was the outstanding three-year-old colt; Greentree Stable's Devil Diver nosed out First Fiddle for handicap honors, and Rouge Dragon was voted the best of steeplechase horses.

Ferrier Leads Golf Tourney

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.—Sgt. Jim Ferrier, stationed at nearby Camp Roberts, clubbed a sizzling two-sub-par 70 here yesterday to maintain his lead after 54 holes in the Rich San Francisco Open golf tourney.

Ferrier ran his three-quarter total to 211, one stroke better than the card turned in by Byron Nelson, who toured the course in 69 yesterday. In third place, four strokes behind the leader, is Willie Goggin.

Bainbridge Finishes 2nd Unbeaten Season

BAINBRIDGE, Md., Dec. 4.—Bainbridge Naval, refused permission by the Navy to compete in a post-season game, completed its ten-game football schedule with a 13-3 win over Maxwell Field here yesterday. The victory gave Bainbridge its second straight perfect season.

Harry Hopp and Charley Justice turned in Bainbridge touchdowns in the second half after Maxwell Field enjoyed a brief edge on Joe Stringfellow's 11-yard field goal.

Fort Pierce Amphibs Nip Third AAF, 7-6

TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 4.—The unbeaten, untied Fort Pierce Amphibious Training Center football team squeezed through to a 7-6 victory over Third AAF of North Carolina here yesterday.

Smith Stops Rosenthal

85th REPLACEMENT BN., Dec. 4.—A third-round KO by Heavyweight Joe Smith over George Rosenthal featured an eight-bout boxing show here last night. The fights, first to be staged at this replacement center, were arranged and refereed by Cpl. El Brookman.

Ranger Goal Thrust Foiled



Acme Photo.

Flash Hollett (5), Detroit defenseman, takes the puck away from Ranger Forward Joe Shack (18) after Shack's shot at cage was deflected by Don Grosso (10), Detroit wing. Connie Dion, Red Wing goalie, is sprawled on the ice after leaving the net to smother a shot. The National Hockey League game ended in a 2-2 tie.

Bruins Drop Leafs From Lead As Canadiens Subdue Hawks

BOSTON, Dec. 4.—The Boston Bruins turned back the Toronto Maple Leafs, 5-4, here last night to drop the Leafs into second place in the National Hockey League as the Montreal Canadiens outskated the Chicago Blackhawks, 2-1, in Chicago to take the lead.

Ken Smith, Bill Cupolo, Frankie Mario and Jack Crawford accounted for Boston goals as the Bruins chalked up their fourth victory in their last five starts. Smith headed the attack with two goals.

Ted Kennedy, with two goals, and Nick Metz and Babe Pratt counted for the Leafs.

The Canadiens shattered a 1-1 deadlock with less than five minutes to go when Fern Gauthier netted a shot on assists by Buddy O'Connor and Dutch Hiller. Maurice Richard of the Canucks and Pete Horek of the Hawks scored earlier goals.

Hockey Standings

NATIONAL LEAGUE					
	W	L	T	Pts	GP
Montreal	10	4	1	21	55
Toronto	10	5	0	20	60
Detroit	7	4	2	16	62
Boston	6	7	1	13	58
New York	2	7	3	7	42
Chicago	2	10	1	5	49

AMERICAN LEAGUE		
Last Night's Scores		
Providence 9, Hershey 3		
Buffalo 6, Cleveland 2		
Indianapolis 7, Pittsburgh 2		

Randolph, 2nd AAF In 'Treasury Bowl'

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Randolph Field's undefeated eleven and the Second AAF Super-bombers will play in the "Treasury Bowl" football game in the Polo Grounds Dec. 16, Treasury Department officials announced today.

Randolph Field is sparked by Bill Dudley, former Virginia All-America and later with the Pittsburgh Steelers of the National Professional League. The Second AAF has Glenn Dobbs, ex-Tulsa All-America, and Ray Evans, former Kansas ace.

Victory Moves Gotham Eleven Into 1st Place

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The New York Giants capitalized on two intercepted passes to defeat the Washington Redskins, 16-13, here yesterday and take undisputed possession of first place in the eastern bracket of the National Football League.

The teams entered the game tied for the lead, but wily Steve Owen's play-for-pay huskies came through when the chips were down. Bill Paschal produced the winning touchdown with three minutes to play when he crashed over after Howie Livingston, sensational rookie, had intercepted a Sammy Baugh pass.

The Giants assumed an early lead when Bill Petrilas, another

Pro Grid Standings

EASTERN DIVISION					
	W	L	T	Pts	OP
New York	7	1	1	175	75
Philadelphia	6	1	2	241	118
Washington	6	2	1	169	149
Boston	2	8	0	82	233
Brooklyn	0	10	0	69	166

WESTERN DIVISION					
	W	L	T	Pts	OP
Green Bay	8	2	0	238	141
Detroit	6	3	1	216	151
Chicago Bears	6	3	1	258	172
Cleveland	4	5	0	175	197
Pitt-Cards	0	10	0	168	329

Next Sunday's Schedule

New York at Washington. Cleveland at Philadelphia.

yearling, snared Frank Filchok's snappy pass and raced 24 yards to score. Ken Strong ran the count to 10-0 with a 32-yard field goal.

The "Skins roared back, however, as Baugh enjoyed one of his best days of the season. A seven-yard pitch to Wilbur Moore shortly before the half ended accounted for one Washington touchdown, while Joe Aguirre booted a 43-yard field goal to knot the count at 10-10 at the intermission.

Aguirre made another field goal in the third period from the 20. Then, after Paschal's touchdown junket, the Redskin place-kicking ace split the uprights from the 39-yard line with two minutes remaining, but a holding penalty nullified the kick and shoved back the Redskins 15 yards.

In all, Baugh completed 25 of 35 passes, operating from the T-formation and from the single-wing.

Statistics:

GIANTS SKINS	
First Downs	13 20
Yards Gained, rushing	160 55
Passes Attempted	9 37
Passes Completed	3 26
Yards Gained, passing	42 273
Penalized	45 50

Eagles Smash Brooklyn, 34-0

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4.—The Philadelphia Eagles clung to a slim chance of capturing the eastern division title by handing the Brooklyn Tigers a 34-0 defeat here yesterday. It was the Tigers' tenth straight reversal as they closed their dismal season.

Two Eagle touchdowns came on long runs, one of 65 yards by Vic Lindskog after he intercepted Jack Butler's pass in the first period and the other by Jack Banta, who circled right end for 69 yards.

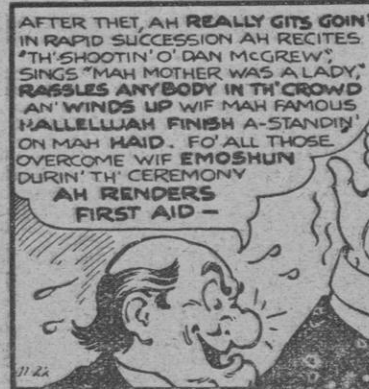
TIGERS EAGLES

First Downs	6 11
Yards Gained, rushing	29 300
Passes Attempted	22 11
Passes Completed	6 2
Yards Gained, passing	16 47
Penalized	30 40

Li'l Abner

By Courtesy of United Features

By Al Capp



Waterborne Yanks Bridge Swollen Rivers in Drive Into Germany



Combat engineers, up to their hips in the flood waters of the Moselle River (left), rush construction of a footbridge crossing an area inundated by the heaviest rain-



fall in 30 years. Waterborne Yank infantrymen (right) edge to the shore of the Mayenne River as two MI and one BAR man prepare to fan out to cover the

landing of the following boat. In the background, two jackknifed spans of a reinforced steel and masonry bridge sag from their abutments into the river.

Post-War Draft Urged by Navy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 (ANS).—Secretary of the Navy James V. Forrestal believes that "every physically fit young man should be given military training as a national life insurance policy" after the war.

"When war was more simple," he said in a radio address, "an American was at least partially prepared to defend his country if he had a rifle and knew how to use it."

"That isn't true in these days of rockets and radar. A modern fighting ship or plane is extremely complex. It can't be handled by recruits. For some of the enlisted ratings in our Navy today even a year's training is not enough, and the weapons of the future may require more know-how and more training."

Florida Travel 'Blackout'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 (ANS).—Military authorities have joined the Office of Defense Transportation's demand for a "blackout" of non-essential travel to Florida this winter. The Army said that the need for transportation space for soldiers returning to and from the war fronts to participate in the Army's rehabilitation program is increasing at a rapid rate.

December Car Quota Set

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 (ANS). A total of 3,600 new passenger cars will be available for rationing in December, the same number released in November. The Office of Price Administration, announcing this yesterday, said that only about 15,000 new cars are left in the ration pool.

Asks Repeal of Default Act

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4. — Assistant Secretary of State Dean Acheson, testifying before the House committee on postwar policy, urged today that Congress repeal the Johnson act which bans private American loans to countries which defaulted on their World War I debts.

Sinatra Has Throat Ailment

NEW YORK, Dec. 4 (ANS). — Frank Sinatra's throat is in very bad shape, his publicity representative said today, and the singer's physician has told him that he must curtail the number of his engagements or risk permanent damage to his voice.

Byrd Backer Dies

NEW YORK, Dec. 4 (ANS). — Charles V. Bob, Wall Street promoter of the pre-crash era, who built a \$10,000,000 fortune, backed the Byrd expedition, had a chain of Polar mountains named for him and went to prison for mail fraud in 1939, died last week.

Jackie Cooper to Wed

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 4 (UP).—Actress June Horne, who refused to break her engagement to Jackie Cooper during his recent trial and acquittal on charges of immoral conduct with a teen-aged girl, announced that she and the former boy actor would be married within three weeks.

6th Group Captured 22,530 Since Nov. 13

ADVANCED SIXTH ARMY GROUP HQ., Dec. 4. — Here is the score for the Sixth Army group since their present offensive started Nov. 13th:

3,600 square miles of French territory freed; 1,140 cities and towns liberated; and 22,530 prisoners taken.

Kung Removed In China Crisis

CHUNGKING, Dec. 4 (UP).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, faced with a military and political crisis which threatens to knock China out of the war by spring, today removed H. H. Kung as vice president of the executive Yuan in the second government shakeup in two weeks.

Kung, brother-in-law of Mme. Chiang, was replaced by Foreign Minister T. V. Soong, Mme. Chiang's brother. The move was described officially as a continuation of the process started Nov. 20, when Chiang removed six cabinet ministers.

Further shifts were regarded as possible in view of the alarming situation created by the speedy Japanese offensive in Kweichow Province.

Allies Return RR to French

The 210-mile rail network that acted as a main supply artery during the Battle of France has been returned to French control, Com Z headquarters disclosed. The French have been given the communications system the Allies used to control rail traffic.

The network, wrested from the Germans and repaired by U.S. soldiers, was turned over to the French National Railways by Lt. Col. Garret White, of the Second Military Railway Service.

Col. White said the French are being given control of portions of the system "just as quickly as the military situation permits," although military traffic still has first priority and American locomotives and crews aid French personnel in the movement of American freight.

It Took Two Wars, But Yank Finally Got Overseas at 53

WITH THE SECOND ARMORED DIVISION, GERMANY.—Younger men in Co. B of an armored infantry regiment of this division soft-pedal their squawks about the rough life in Germany. They don't feel like griping when a 53-year-old soldier is "taking it" with them.

Although he joined the army as a volunteer five days after war was declared in 1917, James H. Power didn't get overseas. Two years ago, at 51, he again volunteered and asked for foreign service.

"Too old," the draft board said when he showed up in the spring of 1942, but Power knew a senator who knew a general.

After basic at Camp Wolters, Texas, Power joined this division at Rabat, North Africa. He was in a mortar squad, in the Sicilian campaign. Later he was made sergeant of company headquarters squad, in France, the sergeant fought until July 30, when an enemy rifleman put a bullet through his cheek.

"I had five Germans just about to surrender," Power relates, "when a sixth one I didn't see slipped up and shot me."

He was evacuated to England but rejoined the regiment in Belgium in time for the division's thrust into the Siegfried Line.

2,200 Planes Hit Reich Cities

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following night Mosquito attacks without loss against unidentified targets in western Germany.

Sixty Ninth Air Force fighter pilots squinted through ice-coated canopies yesterday morning as they dive-bombed Nazi gun positions and rail communications on the First and Ninth Army fronts.

A promise by Lt. Gen. Ira C. Eaker, C-in-C of Allied Mediterranean Air Forces, that Germany would receive its heaviest bombing of history this winter, was backed up yesterday when it was disclosed that Eighth, 15th and Royal Air Force bombers during November had dropped 114,000 U.S. tons of high explosive and incendiaries on Nazi fuel and industrial plants, railways and troop positions.

303 Heavies Lost

A new record was set by RAF bomber command which, operating 19 days and 22 nights, dropped 58,300 tons, or 1,600 tons more than during October. Eighth Fortresses and Liberators flying more than 16,500 sorties and escorted by more than 13,600 fighters, punched through intensified Nazi flak and fighter defenses on 18 days, to drop 40,500 tons of bombs.

USSTAF announced that 303 heavy bombers and 162 fighters were lost during the month, while air gunners and escorting fighters destroyed 723 enemy planes in the air and on the ground.

"Radar Eye" and other scientific navigational and bombing instruments designed for through-cloud attack were employed on each of the 18 Eighth operational days, it was revealed. Oil refineries and synthetic-oil plants were attacked 14 times by Britain-based U.S. heavies.

Many Italian Fascists Deserting Nazi Lines

ROME, Dec. 4 (AP).—Italian Fascist troops which the Germans put into the line a month ago are deserting to the Allied lines at the rate of 30 to more than 100 daily, Allied Headquarters announced today.

The Fifth Army smashed new enemy counter-attacks in the central sector south of Bologna, while the Eighth remained locked in heavy fighting between the Montone and Lamone Rivers.

Reds 60 Miles From Austria

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100 miles southeast of Vienna with one end 50 miles southwest of Budapest.

Two other columns of Soviet tanks, motorized infantry and cavalry drove northward toward Budapest between Lake Balaton and the Danube River. One struck out northwestward from Dunafoldvar toward the big railroad city of Szekesfehervar, 35 miles southwest of Budapest. The other charged northward up the west bank of the Danube from Dunafoldvar.

The speed of Tolbukhin's advances was maintained in spite of heavy rains, which transformed the Hungarian plain into a sea of mud. Northeast of Budapest, meanwhile, Marshal Malinovsky's Second Ukrainian Army followed up its capture of Miskolc and Satoraljauihely with an all-out campaign toward central Slovakia.

A special Bulgarian army corps is fighting with Tolbukhin's army, Sofia announced. The Bulgarians, who concluded a peace treaty with Russia last summer, declared that by organizing the troops they had secured a place among the United Nations.

N.Y. Custodians Strike

NEW YORK, Dec. 4 (AP).—A strike of custodian workers seeking civil service recognition affected 69 public schools today. Mayor LaGuardia ordered men to be drawn from the sanitation department to operate furnaces in the freezing weather where necessary.

West Front...

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Press said from the front was the last German stronghold west of the river.

Reports that Ninth forces had crossed the Roer and cleaned out resistance in Julich were not confirmed at SHAEF.

Southward, First Army troops advanced along the superhighway and captured Lucherberg and Luchem. Other elements took Inden on the Inde River and Brandenburg, southwest of Julich.

Stars and Stripes correspondent Ralph Martin, with Third Army, said that the west half of Saarlautern was cleared.

Resistance Disorganized

Resistance across the river bridge, which Third Army men captured intact, was disorganized, Martin said.

The 95th Division's 377th Regiment closed out the last pocket to the river, Martin said. Third Army men now hold a continuous 16-mile front along the Saar from Saarlautern northward to a point five and one-half miles northwest of Merzig.

Martin said the Fifth Division's Tenth Regiment reached the German border after clearing a resistance pocket six miles south of Saarlautern.

FTC Probes Smokes Shortage

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4 (ANS).—Federal Trade Commission said today it would investigate the civilian cigarette shortage to see if any violation of the anti-trust law was involved.

Terry and The Pirates

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