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Man Spricht Deutsch
Waffen niederlegen!
VA-fen nee-der-lay-gen!
Throw down your arms!

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Ici On Parle Français
Mon père est en haut.
Mown pair ay ton O.
My father is upstairs.

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Balkans Invaded by Allies

U.S. Medics Caring for the Wounded Under Fire



Medical corpsmen treat an American captain wounded by German machine-gun bullets fired from across the Moselle River as U.S. troops moved through Madères, France. Other soldiers in the background are firing at Nazi positions across the river.

Landings In Albania, Jugoslavia

Allied invasion forces have struck across the Adriatic by sea and air into the coastal islands of Jugoslavia and the mainland of Albania to knock another hole in the southern rim of the sieve that once was Fortress Europe.

German broadcasts said powerful Allied forces had swept ashore along a broad stretch of the Adriatic extending from the northern part of Albania up the entire Dalmatian coast.

Allied advices indicated the latest invasion—made largely by British troops—was on a large scale, in contrast to the long series of harassing raids by "commando" forces. The new blow obviously was aimed at closing the gap between Marshal Tito's Yugoslav Partisans along the Adriatic and the Red Army, massed on the eastern Yugoslav border.

There were no immediate details regarding Allied losses or the extent of resistance. German reports said heavy fighting was going on.

Air support for the landing operations was given by the Allied Balkan Air Force, while units of the British Royal Navy participated in the assault. The landings climaxed softening-up aerial attacks over a period of months which destroyed the enemy garrison at Himra, Albania, and forced the Nazis to give up the Albanian coast road and send supplies to other garrisons by sea.

One prime effect the new Balkans blow may achieve would be the blocking of German efforts to evacuate Greece and southern Jugoslavia. A report from Bari, Italy, last night, said that Nazi troops fleeing north from southern Greece had been stopped in southern Albania by Albanian partisans. The report said the enemy force had been driven back six miles before being able to stop for a stand.

Ties With Hungary Broken by Bulgaria

An official Hungarian announcement that Bulgaria had broken diplomatic relations with Hungary was reported yesterday by the Hungarian News Agency.

In the Baltics, the battle for Riga continued unabated.

There was no announcement on the fighting around Warsaw.

1,100 Heavies Batter Targets In Rhine Area

More than 1,100 Fortresses and Liberators, escorted by strong forces of Mustangs, Thunderbolts and Lightnings, yesterday attacked rail yards and war industries along the Rhine and other targets in western Germany.

Although some groups encountered no fighter opposition, others met determined attacks. One formation of eight Libs was jumped by more than 100 ME109s and FW190s. Thirty-one German planes were destroyed by escorting fighters, five were shot down by bomber gunners, and five destroyed on the ground. Forty-two bombers and seven fighters were lost.

RAF heavies cascaded more than 1,500 tons of bombs on Calais yesterday, while another force with fighter cover attacked the Bottrop Wilhelm synthetic-oil plant near Essen and other targets in the Ruhr. The oil plant, one of ten similar ones attacked recently by the RAF, was left in flames.

A strong force of Lancasters Tuesday night smashed at Karlsruhe, important Ruhr rail center, and objectives at Frankfurt, while Mitchells of the Second Tactical Air Force bombed railways and roads at Cleve, in Germany, near the Dutch border.

ASIS CITIZENSHIP

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 27. — Tiny actress Heather Angel, native of Oxford, England, today applied for U.S. citizenship here.

Skyborne Remnants Escape; British Stab Threatens Reich

After a push eastward across Holland, the Allies drove to the northern anchor points of the Siegfried Line yesterday as the gallant stand of the trapped British skytroops on the north bank of the Lek came to an end with the escape of their remnants across the river.

Warns of Nazi Secret Weapon

WITH FIRST U.S. ARMY, Germany, Sept. 27 (UP).—A warning not to underestimate Germany's capacity to use secret weapons was given today by Ilii Sobadyieff, 26, captured Bulgarian science student who claimed to have been an assistant working on Nazi secret weapons in the Elektro Technische Institut in Stuttgart.

"Work has been progressing along three main lines known to me, and success might have been achieved in one or more fields. The objective of all experiments has been a nullification of Allied air power, for Germany realizes the war is lost unless this overwhelming force is obliterated completely and at once," Sobadyieff said.

VI INVENTOR HELD?

LONDON, Sept. 27. — Georges Claude, French scientist, has been arrested at Nancy and charged with being the inventor of the V1 flying bomb, according to a story printed by the Daily Mail.

Hundreds of Dentists Being Freed by Army

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27. — The Army soon will release several hundred dental officers from active duty to permit them to return to private practice, the War Department announced yesterday.

The announcement said the release was possible because the peak load of dental work had passed. Since Pearl Harbor, more than one million men have been made dentally fit for general military service.

Withdrawal of the British Second Airborne Division from the Netherlands' Arnhem area terminated a direct threat to Germany's northernmost defenses, but even more menacing was a British advance below Nijmegen toward the Reich's frontier.

While elements of the British Second Army stood on the south bank of the Lek, presumably preparing an offensive to outflank the enemy's border bastions, to the south, other British forces wheeled toward Germany and took a five-mile stretch of the west bank of the Meuse.

Across the river were two of the West Wall's anchor points—Kleve and Gorch. Paris Radio announced the capture of Kleve, but there was no confirmation of this report.

On the Moselle front, Ninth Air Force fighter-bombers, striking in support of a U.S. Third Army attack, pounded three strong German fortresses in the Metz area. Preliminary reports indicated that 25 percent of the forts had been destroyed.

Ten miles east of the city of Luxemburg, the Yanks captured Greweldange, one mile from the German frontier. North of Epinal, other Seventh Army troops crossed the Moselle in strength and occupied Chatel-sur-Moselle and a number of other towns.

Retreat of the British airborne army to the south bank of the Lek, (Continued on Page 4)

Morgenthau Sees Hope Of Cut in Income Taxes

BOSTON, Sept. 27 (UP). — Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau jr., said today that there was "a hope for some lowering" of income taxes on individuals and corporations after the defeat of Germany because of the decrease in war expenditures. He declined to elaborate.

GI Ballots May Delay Results In Fall Election

NEW YORK, Sept. 27. — The wide variety of deadlines set up by individual states specifying when their soldier ballots must be in could delay final results of the presidential election until Christmas Day, according to an INS survey, if the contest between President Roosevelt and Thomas E. Dewey, Republican nominee, were at all close.

The fact that the important states of Pennsylvania, California and Missouri all have postponed the Nov. 7 soldier-ballot deadlines may give the U.S. one of its most sustained suspense stories in its election history.

Ten states have soldier-vote regulations which permit overseas and absentee ballots to be returned anywhere from Nov. 8, one day after election, until as late as Dec. 25.

One candidate, for example, might carry California, with its 25 electoral votes. He might be the apparent winner on Nov. 7, only to find himself unseated on Nov. 23, if these votes were the deciding ones, when overseas ballots came in.

N.Y. May Hear 2 FDR Talks

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—The possibility that President Roosevelt may make two campaign addresses in New York State put new emphasis today on a drive by both major parties for New York's 47 electoral votes.

Democratic National Chairman Robert E. Hannegan said that in all probability President Roosevelt would speak in New York City in the last week of the campaign. He added that "the President may make more than one speech in the state."

The New York County Republican organization has engaged Madison Square Garden for Nov. 4 for its usual Saturday-night-before-election rally. Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, Republican Presidential nominee, is expected to speak.

Another Crease in Hitler's Brow



Allies strike across Adriatic to sever Nazi escape routes north.



THE B BAG BLOW IT OUT HERE

Let's Be Tolerant, Bud Can you imagine the M/Sgt. (who wrote to B-Bag for the figures) with over 21 years' service not knowing by now what his pay should be!—"A Recruit."

Get a Receipt I think your readers would be interested to know that, whenever they buy anything in a Paris shop, they have a right to ask for a receipted bill to cover their purchase. This would enable them, later, to obtain a refund in case of overcharge.

Haircut by Grandpa Pvt. Julian E. Chauncey was the very first barber to give a haircut and shave in Normandy, I being the customer on D-plus-1. Incidentally, Chauncey wants to know if he gets a demobilization point for a dependent grandchild, as he became a grandfather the other day? —Lt. Col. C. E. Billion, C.E. (Grandchildren don't ring the bell under the demobilization plan. —Ed.)

Stork Gazette Please tell my husband, Lt. Abraham R. Berkson, that he is the father of a son, Denis R., born July 26, who weighs six pounds four ounces, and that both of us are feeling fine. By the way, the kid looks just like his Pop.—Elynor N. Berkson.

Please tell my husband, Lt. Joseph Silverman, that he is the father of Carol Ann, born Aug. 28. We're both feeling grand.—Mrs. Doris Silverman.

In Defense of Rooney The Stars and Stripes printed two items recently about Mickey Rooney and his "life of ease in the Army." The items emphasized that Rooney was getting a lot of details taken care of for him by hiring some of his buddies to do the chores.

You and I know many guys who have done the same thing and have not thought it so terrible. Rooney's position, because of his previous prominence, is awkward. The same is true of other well-known actors. When the chips are down, Rooney will be in there pitching.—T/5 S. S. Trott, Sig. Co.

Election's Near Our "Pup-tent Current Events Class" has a question for you to settle. Some of us say that in wartime the President, through powers conferred upon him by Congress, can remain in office without being re-elected. Others contend that to continue in office he must be re-elected as the Constitution provides. —Pvt. R. C. Young, AA Gun Bn.

(The Constitution, article 2, section 1, provides that the President shall hold office for 4 years; the 20th amendment, section 1, provides his term shall end at noon on Jan. 20. Congress may not pass (and as a matter of fact has not) any law in variance with these constitutional provisions. To continue in office, after his term expires, it will be necessary for FDR to be re-elected.)

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Hash Marks

Afterthought. Money doesn't always mean happiness. Come to think of it, a guy with ten million bucks isn't much happier than a guy with nine million.

Some of the lads have returned from buying sprees with awfully



swollen noses—seems that's what they've been paying through.

We guess the thought expressed in this poem has happened to all of us:

The PX is a place That's known for fame and glory. But every time I visit there They're taking inventory.

Times certainly have changed since Little Red Riding Hood's day. Imagine a modern wolf dressing up to look like Granny.

Pun of the Week (from Pvt. Charles Cole): "Those who follow the Fuehrer have feuhrer days to live."

One paratrooper we know got through D-Day action unscratched—except for developing a case of athlete's foot. And he loudly pro-



tested when the medics offered to cure it. "Let it alone, doc," he pleaded, "I have too much fun scratching it."

Brightest Quip of the Week was made by Pfc Tinker Hall, an air service engine mechanic. He calls those gold stripes denoting six months' overseas service "Hershey Bars."

Private Breger



"He was lighting the Colonel's cigarette when a shell exploded nearby!"

An Editorial

It's Not As Easy As It Reads

WHEN you read about town after town falling into our hands, you sooner or later get into the frame of mind that it's easy.

Well, here's how easy it is.

These three Yanks were killed taking a place called Troyes. Ever hear of it? Neither had we.

Anyway, it was taken. "Nice going," we said when we read about it. "The boys are really rolling."

These boys' rolling days are done. The town they took so "easily" was the last town they'll ever see. The rest of their outfit moved on to the next town—and took that, too. And the next—and the next. And in every town there are a few GIs like these left by the roadside.

Maybe this picture ought to be stuck inside every helmet liner in the ETO, and every Stetson in the States. Then every time we gloat over the headlines and take off our skimmers to pat ourselves on the head



—we'd see these Joes who were hit by the silver platter on which the Nazis handed us Troyes.



ANYONE who remarks on the size of five-foot Pvt. Michael Gallons, of Paterson, N.J., smallest man in an Armored Division headquarters company, is forcefully reminded that the diminutive soldier once was mistaken for 200 Germans.

On a dark night in Luxemburg, word reached the division headquarters that "verbal signals" had been heard in an adjoining artillery headquarters area. A force of 200 Germans was known to be in the vicinity, and it was feared they had entered the area.

A defense platoon was alerted and spent the night looking for the enemy, who didn't appear.

Two days later the explanation came out. Gallons told how, in the

blackness of night, he had tried to find his jeep 15 yards from one of the defense platoon guns, only to find himself in the artillery headquarters.

"I kept calling for the squad," he said innocently, "but no one heard me."

Although they didn't get a chance to meet personally, two service brothers, 2/Lt. Richard Hayniger and Ens. Cortlandt Hayniger, of Waterbury, Conn., exchanged messages by Navy blinker system as their ships passed in the English Channel.

PERSISTENT fellow dept.: After three dry runs, Pfc Richard Murphy, of Chicago, finally reached his company observation post. When he first started out, Murphy encountered and killed a sniper, then tended a wounded American.

Again Murphy started for the OP, only to be delayed by three Germans, one of whom he captured and took back to the company CP. On his third try, Murphy found some wounded Americans and supervised their evacuation.

His fourth attempt to reach the OP was successful.

PFC Henry P. Perliskey, of Detroit, has his own method of getting acquainted when he arrives in a new bivouac area. When he has completed his kitchen chores for a Fifth Infantry Division officer's mess, he goes outside and lets loose a Tarzan-like yell—in Polish.

After one such call Odette, an attractive Polish-speaking girl, arrived on the scene. Perliskey soon had her juggling cups and saucers like any KP. She helped him during three meals until the CP moved.

"Someone always shows up when I call," the Pfc said.

Social notes: First soldier wedding reported in Paris took place in the office of the district mayor when Maj. William Dee Ritchie, of Pine Bluff, Ark., married Eve-

lyn Jean Orcutt, of Detroit. Ritchie, a Ninth Air Force officer, met his bride in Iceland two years ago. She is a Red Cross worker.

Waivers on residence and bans were secured by Lt. Col. Vincent A. Miller, of the Judge Advocate General's department, who also acted in lieu of an American consul in the matter of affidavits.

After a ceremony in the mayor's office, the couple went to the Episcopal American Pro-Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, where Chaplain Clovis Childers officiated at a church wedding.

CLAIMING to be the first cooks to serve GI-made ice cream on the Continent, Sgts. Ruffe Lautzenhiser, of Hobart, Ind., and Carl H. Wegrich, of Terre Haute, Ind., have challenged the statement that ice cream is not available in the Army in Europe.

The two cooks, members of the first transportation corps railway unit to begin operations in Normandy, salvaged scraps of ice being used in refrigerator cars, and used the following recipe:

Four lbs. powdered milk, 4 1/2 lbs. sugar, 1/2 lb. cornstarch, 12 oz. powdered eggs, 1/2 teaspoon vanilla or lemon extract, and 9 qts. warm liquid (water or fruit juice). They say that mixture will make three gallons of ice cream.

SOLDIERS of a QM railroad outfit went hunting the other night and the unit went on B rations next day after the "huntsmen" shot and killed a wild boar which had been roaming around the area.

Sentries reported seeing a small, dark object running around in the shadows and Pvts. Frank Johnson, of Huntington, Tenn., and B.C. Lomax, of Jackson, Miss., decided to stalk the beast. They returned soon afterward with the wild boar. Half the company stayed up until the early morning hours, butchering and preparing the meat.

Once Over Lightly

By Charlie Kiley

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—One of the ugliest rumors in sports history—that failure of the St. Louis Browns to win the American League pennant might produce baseball's biggest scandal since the Black Sox affair of 1919—fortunately died over the week-end when NBC sportscaster Bill Stern retracted the sensational statement he aired a week ago.

Stern, climbing out on the weakest limb he possibly could find, had said that the Collyers' Eye, a Chicago racing paper, would publish the scandal charge. The story was so hot news wire agencies refused to report a single line on it.

The Browns' president, Don Barnes, and baseball czar Kenesaw M. Landis cooled after Stern's outburst to refuse "any comment that would dignify" the dirty rumor. Had the press followed Stern in even reporting the rumor or speculating on the possible scandal, baseball would have been struck a terrific blow. It also would have kicked the Browns, who are battling for their first American League pennant in history, six inches below the belt.

So credit editors with a valuable assist in protecting sports from those small enough to grasp at straws if it means headlines.

It was bad enough for Stern to repeat the rumor, but his source of information—the racing sheet—failed to publish anything of which he referred.

The current Cardinals became the first team in National League history to win 100 games or more in three straight seasons. The only other major league club to do it was Connie Mack's Athletics in 1929-30-31.

Before their somewhat less than sensational September activities, the Cards were aiming at baseball's all-time record of 116 games won in a single season, a feat performed by Frank Chance's 1906 Cubs.

On Sept. 1, the Redbirds had 91 victories, but today they have only 103, while they have absorbed 15 licks during the month. Billy Southworth has his third consecutive flag tucked away, but the semi-collapse of his pitching corps has forced gamblers to shorten their odds considerably on the World Series.

In the first 22 games this month, Card hurlers finished only eight games they started and lost four of those. Even on the day they clinched the pennant with a double win over the Braves, relief pitcher Harry Brecheen got credit for both victories. Lefty Max Lanier suffered most with six straight setbacks during the dark days of September.

SHORT SHOTS: For the records, the Dodgers used ten different men at shortstop, nine at second, seven at third and 24 alleged and assorted pitchers during the season. . . . Steve O'Neill almost had a stroke when he learned his work-horse, Dizzy Trout, doesn't get enough exercise during the day, so he goes bowling almost every night. . . . Sports writers already have submitted their National and American Leagues most-valuable player candidates, but the winners won't be named until two weeks after the World Series. Because he played only half the season, Detroit's prize chattel, Dick Wakefield, will not be considered.

UTAH STOCK RISES SALT LAKE CITY, Sept. 27.—Utah's worst football season in his'ory hasn't discouraged Coach Ike Armstrong a bit. He's coming back with a squad of four or five lettermen and 30 to 40 freshmen, and says his Utes won't be quite so easy as last year when they lost seven without a victory.

Browns Shade Bosox; Tigers Win

Dixie Walker Lifts Batting Mark To .363

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—After Dizzy Trout fashioned his 27th victory by whitewashing the Athletics, 6-0, the Tigers enjoyed a few hours of undisputed possession of the American League lead yesterday, but the Browns surged back into a tie by victimizing the Red Sox, 1-0, last night under the arc lights.

With just two days rest, Trout returned to the hill and set down the Mack-men with six carefully spaced blows, while the Bengals pummeled Luke Hamlin and Carl Scheib for 13 hits, including home runs by Dick Wakefield and Rudy York.

Wakefield, York Homer With five games to play, Steve O'Neill, the Tiger boss, probably will call on his other ace, Hal New-

houser, today, then give each at least one start in the final series against the Senators. Five-hit twirling by Sigmund Jakucki kept the Browns from falling behind in the torrid race. Mike Ryba yielded only four hits in touring the route for the Bosox, but the Browns jumped ahead in the opening frame when Chet Laabs reached

How the AL Race Shapes Up Today

By winning their respective assignments Tuesday, the Tigers and Browns hammered another nail into the Yankee coffin, despite the fact Joe McCarthy's defending champions also triumphed.

Two victories for either leader would mean the best the Yanks can get is a tie—if they sweep their single game with the White Sox and their four-game series with the Browns. Three triumphs for the Tigers or Browns will eliminate the Yanks.

YESTERDAY'S SCHEDULE: Boston at St. Louis. New York at Chicago. Philadelphia at Detroit. Washington at Cleveland.

first on a force play, advanced to second on Vern Stephens' walk and raced across on a single by Milt Byrnes.

The Yankees kept alive their slim mathematical chance by defeating the White Sox, 9-5, in a nocturnal affair. Trailing 4-0 in the fourth, the Bombers tied the count on homers by Oscar Grimes and Nick Etten, then clinched the nod for Bill Zuber over Buck Ross by clustering three runs in the fifth.

The Senators trimmed the Indians, 8-3, in a game featured only by Joe Heving, who made his 62nd relief appearance of the year to set a new league mark in that department. Stan Spence clubbed his 15th homer in the first inning with two men aboard off loser Al Smith to ease the burden on Dutch Leonard.

Cards Step In

In the National League, the Cardinals staved off the Dodgers, 8-7, and sharpened their batting eyes for the World Series by rattling 14 basehits off Hal Gregg, Freddie Wells and Les Webber. The Redbirds splurged for six runs in the fifth to hand the verdict to Freddie Schmidt.

Dixie Walker, one of the few Bums who isn't a bum, practically

Cubs Drub Phillies To Clinch 4th Slot In NL Race

clinched the National League batting crown with two more hits to lift his mark to .363, while Stan Musial, second place occupant, made only one in three trips.

The Cubs sewed up fourth place by routing the Phillies, 15-0, in the first half of a twilight-night double feature, but the Phils captured the windup, 10-1, as Vern Kennedy outdueled Bob Chipman. Hank Wyse bested Al Gerheuser in the opener.

Johnny Allen fell before Jim Konstanty and Tommy de la Cruz shaded Ken Miller as the Reds swept a twin-bill from the Giants, 8-5 and 6-4. Frank McCormick clouted two homers for the Reds during the long day, while Napoleon Reyes, Buddy Kerr, Ray Berres and Johnny Rucker hit four-baggers for the Giants.



Dixie Walker



Bill Stern

Duke Opens Against Penn

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—After an abbreviated start last week, the nation's collegiate gridders will move into the first week of full coast to coast warfare Saturday.

The grid menu features two inter-sectional tilts—Notre Dame at

Eagles Mar Boston's Debut By Rolling to 28-7 Victory

BOSTON, Sept. 27.—The Boston Yanks, newest team in the National Football League, made an inauspicious debut here last night, losing to the Philadelphia Eagles, 28-7, before 25,000 fans at Fenway Park.

The Eagles scored in every period and dominated the game in every department. Boston averted a shutout in the

fourth quarter when Teddy Williams, former Boston College star, scooted 25 yards around right end to climax a 68-yard march.

Roy Zimmerman tallied the Eagles' first six-pointer, knifing two yards in the first quarter after he had ignited a 50-yard drive by intercepting George Cefago's pass at midfield. The Eagles assumed a 14-0 halftime edge when Jack Hinkle and Jack Banta beat their way through Boston's line from the 40 to the two in the second frame and Banta plowed over to score.

Mel Bleeker, backfield spare, contributed the third touchdown on a two-yard buck shortly after the intermission, and Ernie Steele chugged six yards for the final Philadelphia score.

Zimmerman booted three conversions, while Ben Kish added the fourth. Augie Lio, late of the Detroit Lions, made the extra point from placement for the Yanks.

AAU Champion



Patricia Sinclair, of New York, took first place in the 100-yard breast stroke event at the National AAU women's indoor swimming championships at the Athens Club, Oakland, Cal.

Hospitalized Soldiers To 'See' Garden Tiffs

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—War veterans in eastern hospitals will see boxing shows televised from Madison Square Garden every Friday night for 50 weeks through the co-operation of Uncle Mike Jacobs and the razor company sponsoring Garden broadcasts.

Some bouts have been telecast experimentally before, but this is the first time they have ever been contracted for in advance. The sendoff will be Friday night when Willie Pep defends his featherweight diadem against Chalky Wright.

Greentree Stables To Operate as Usual

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—Maj. Louis Beard, general manager of the Greentree Stables, announced today that the famous turf organization would continue to operate on the nation's racetracks as in the past although Mrs. Payne Whitney, owner of the stable, died last Sunday.

Col. John J. "Jock" Whitney, now in the ETO, and his sister, Mrs. Charles S. Rayson will supervise the string.

Saturday's Games

- EAST N. Carolina at Army. Bucknell at Cornell. Coast Guard at Yale. Colgate at Rochester. Duke at Penn. Holy Cross at Dartmouth. N. Carolina Naval at Navy. Notre Dame at Pitt. MIDWEST Illinois at Great Lakes. Indiana at Michigan. Marquette at Purdue. Nebraska at Minnesota. Missouri at Ohio State. Wisconsin at Northwestern. SOUTH Alabama at Louisiana State. Clemson at Georgia Tech. Mississippi at Florida. Wake Forest at Georgia. Kentucky at Tennessee. SOUTHWEST Arkansas at Oklahoma A & M. Randolph Field at Rice. Southwestern at Texas. Texas A & M at Texas Tech. FAR WEST UCLA at California. College of Pacific at USC. Whitman at Washington.

Pitt and Duke at Penn—and the initial appearance of such powerhouses as Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, Georgia Tech, Army, Navy, Northwestern, Ohio State, LSU and Texas.

Among the service teams, Great Lakes tackles Illinois, Iowa Pre-Flight duels Ft. Sheridan and Bainbridge faces Camp Lee.

Navy Widens Margin In GI World Series

HONOLULU, Sept. 27.—Kenneth "Young Ziggy" Sears, former Yankee catcher, delivered a 360-foot homer in the 12th inning yesterday to give the Navy a 4-3 decision over the Army and its third straight victory in the servicemen's "World Series."

Don Schmidt, 20-year-old former semipro pitcher from Plainfield, N.J., and Seton Hall College, almost succeeded in bagging a triumph, but his mates couldn't get started against Tom Ferrick, ex-Cleveland hurler. Schmidt fanned nine and walked three.

YOUTHS GET BREAK

DENVER, Sept. 27.—The University of Denver again will have an all-civilian football team, composed mostly of 17-year-olds, 4F's and men discharged from the service.

HOW THEY STAND.

Table with columns: American League, National League, and columns for W, L, Pct., G.B. listing various teams and their records.

Table with columns: American League, National League, and columns for G, AB, R, H, Pct. listing leading hitters.

Table with columns: American League, National League, and columns for G, AB, R, H, Pct. listing home run hitters.

Table with columns: American League, National League, and columns for G, AB, R, H, Pct. listing runs batted in.

Help Wanted - AND GIVEN. Write your question or problem to Help Wanted, The Stars and Stripes, Paris, France.

CAMERA EXCHANGE. WANTED, 35-mm. Candid camera. Pvt. John Blevins. 35766874.

FOUND. ENGLISH WALLET containing French money and two wrist-watches, in the vicinity of Carentan. Captain Fred D. Bottenbaum.

APOS WANTED. SGT. John Anderson, Bridgeport, Conn.; Ray Atkins, Vale, Ore.; Pvt. John G. Bailey, Pittsburgh; Pvt. Stanley Baron, Mattapan, Mass.; Lt. Keith Cooper, Hazeland, Ore.; Pvt. Herbert Dietrick, Hazeland, Pa.; Lt. Zachariah Charles Ebaugh, O-436564; Lt. Anne Kane Ferns, Belleville, N.J.; Sgt. John A. Gref, 32533195; Lt. Reuben A. Hall, Clear Lake, Ia.; Pvt. J. B. Hastings, M.P., Littlefield, Tex.; Maj. H. T. Henson, Lexington, Ky.; Capt. William A. Johnson, Fort Stevens, Ore.; Lt. Iris Lang, Boston, Mass.; Cpl. N. B. McKee, Central City, Ky.; Pfc Jacob Rayfield, 32950311; T/Sgt. John Rice, M.R.U.; T/5 Wyman M. Rogers, Riestertown, Md.; Lt. Alice Summers; Capt. Edmund Weber, Eugene, Ore.

Orioles Drub Bisons To Clinch Series, 4-3

BALTIMORE, Sept. 27.—The Baltimore Orioles, who finished first in the regular International League race, downed the Buffalo Bisons, 9-4, here last night to clinch the playoff title, 4 games to 3.

In the American Association playoffs, Louisville, leading 3-0 in games, and St. Paul were not scheduled yesterday. Rain washed last night's Eastern League activity off the docket.

NO GOPHER CAPTAIN MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 27.—Minnesota has no football captain this year, Coach (Dr.) George Hauser is following his practice of a year ago, naming "game" captains for each contest.

Germans Play Soccer While Chief Gives Up

By Jules B. Grad

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer.

WITH A U.S. INF. DIV. Sept. 27.—A German colonel whose love for medals was exceeded only by his scorn of Hitler, recently surrendered 653 officers and men while one of his light howitzer companies played soccer in a field near by.

Once the pride of a Nazi division, a task force fought the U.S. troops vigorously, but after several days the Yanks surrounded the Germans and the colonel decided enough was enough. He sent his adjutant and an interpreter with a white flag to the U.S. lines and said he wanted to talk surrender terms.

Four Return with Nazis

Lt. Col. John H. McAleer, of Vancouver, Wash., and Capt. John C. Riegle, of Greenville, Ohio, assured the German delegates Geneva Convention rules would be observed. Four of the division's personnel: 2/Lts. Frank Schwartz, of Pittsburgh; Robert G. Kofler, of Boston; Peter Gruenthal, of New York, and M/Sgt. Henry Goldberg, of Lynchburg, Va., returned with the Nazi officers to discuss terms.

The colonel met the American quartet at his villa. Well over six feet tall, he wore 17 decorations and while he carefully took out his glass eye, polished it and then replaced the optic with the aplomb of an Eric Stroheim, he explained he could still put up a good fight.

After the medal-bedecked colonel finished his situation briefing, he declared: "I've been a professional soldier for more than 30 years and this war no longer holds any illusions for me.

"I love a good fight and we could continue to fight for perhaps several days, but why should more of my men be killed. Such sacrifice is no longer expected."

He said he'd personally conceded Germany's defeat on July 20, when Hitler ordered a purge of several Prussian officers after the unsuccessful attempt on Der Fuehrer's life.

Token Surrender Force

It was decided to send a token surrender unit to a rendezvous point that night. The rest of the German force would follow the next morning.

Next day, after a Nazi mess sergeant fed the Germans from their field kitchen, the Jerries walked over to a field and played soccer while the commander was completing plans for their surrender.

"We argued surrender terms with him until 4 A.M.," Kofler said. "Things almost reached a stalemate, but then we had some excellent food and cognac and when it was almost daylight we finally reached an agreement."

Besides the 653 officers and men, the colonel surrendered 84 trucks and cars, three 88's, three 20mm. anti aircraft guns, three light howitzers, five anti-tank guns, truckloads of ammunition and other material.

At a P/W cage later that day the Germans were paid off from their unit fund and they ceremoniously handed over the rest—1,600,000 francs—to the Americans.

Removal of Paint Adds To C46 Speed, Load

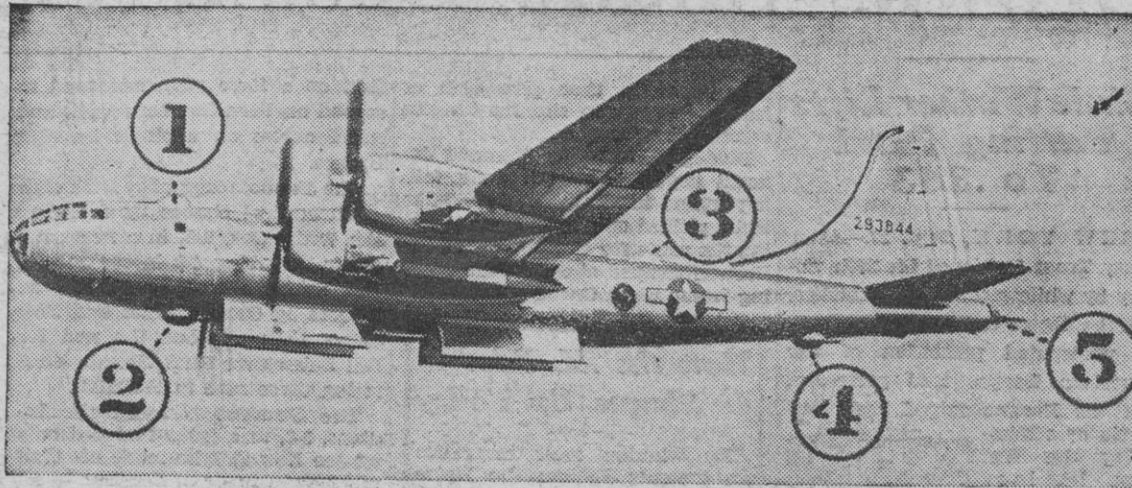
BUFFALO, N.Y., Sept. 27.—The elimination of camouflage paint from the giant C46 Commandos now coming off the assembly line is giving them a 75 to 100-pound increase in load capacity and increased speed, Curtiss-Wright Corp. said today.

The Commando, which has constituted three-fourths of the Air Transport Command's fleet for carrying supplies over the Himalayan Hump from India into China, is now being produced with an unpainted aluminum alloy finish. The speed is increased because the rough surface of camouflage paint created an aerodynamic drag.

TURKEY SLAMS DOORS

ANKARA, Sept. 27.—Ankara Radio has announced that the Turkish government would refuse admission into the country of military and civilian refugees from Axis countries.

B29 Super-Fortress Guns for Japan



Hitherto touched out of photographs of the B29 Super-Fortresses (which are used in long-range bombing attacks on the Japanese mainland, the plane's gun turrets are pictured for the first time. (1) and (2) are the front upper and lower turrets; (3) and (4) the rear upper and lower; (5) the tail turret, which is equipped with a 20-mm. cannon as well as two .50 caliber machine-guns found in all the turrets. All the ship's armament is fired by remote control.

Skytroops Flee Across the Lek

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where it had held out since Sept. 17, was carried out mainly on Monday night, Supreme Allied Headquarters announced yesterday. The announcement said that some of the wounded had to be left on the north bank of the river, where they were being taken care of by the Germans.

Headquarters did not disclose how many of the isolated force had escaped, but an American broadcast from Paris said that at least 2,000 men had got across the river.

Claiming that the entire sky division had been wiped out, the Germans said that 6,450 prisoners, including 1,700 wounded, had been taken and that more than 1,500 men had been killed.

In Belgium, strong Allied elements poured north of the Antwerp-Turnhout Canal from their bridgehead in the vicinity of Ryckevorsel, eight miles east of Turnhout.

Canadian troops were fighting in and around the inner defenses of Calais. Sandgate, two miles west of the Channel port, was captured.

Over-all German casualties since D-Day in troops killed, captured, badly wounded or hopelessly cut off were estimated at close to 1,000,000 men—more than twice the enemy force now lined up along the West Wall. These include 100,000 killed, more than 200,000 badly wounded, more than 500,000 captured and the remainder sealed off in the Channel islands, isolated ports and pockets along the coast of the Bay of Biscay.

POE'S SECRET REVIVED

RICHMOND, Va., Sept. 27.—Richard Eaton, radio news commentator, has purchased the Southern Literary Messenger, which is a revival of the magazine published by Edgar Allen Poe from 1834 to 1864.

800 Canvases Goering Didn't Get

Mountain Cave Is Storehouse Of Paintings by Dutch Masters

By Andy Rooney

Stars and Stripes Staff Writer.

MAASTRICHT, Holland, Sept. 27.—Hidden in the far recesses of a mountain cave where the Dutch villagers cart horse manure in which to grow mushrooms, are 800 of the world's finest paintings. The priceless collection includes the masterworks of Rembrandt, Vermeer, Van Gogh, Steen, Franz Hals, Ruysdael, Rubens, Van Dyck and El Greco.

German Forces Stiffen in Italy

German opposition has stiffened along the whole Italian front as Fifth and Eighth Army troops drive on to threaten the great Rimini-Bologna highway at half a dozen points.

In the central sector above Florence, Nazi reinforcements were making a determined bid to check the Fifth Army drive on Bologna.

The main German counter-attack was launched against the western spur of Monte Lafine, which, however, was still firmly held.

British troops on the right flank of the Fifth Army are advancing along the Florence-Faenza road against stubborn resistance, and northeast of Firenze the American grip on the Florence-Imola road has been strengthened by the capture of important heights on both sides.

COULD HE FLUNK HIMSELF?

BOSTON, Sept. 27.—Robert Bordewick had the distinction of being an undergraduate and a member of the faculty at Northeastern University at the same time. He ranked fifth in his senior class and received an appointment as an electrical engineer two days before graduation.

Little Caesar Sees the Joke?



Stars and Stripes photo by Dick Koenig. Edward G. Robinson, who recently toured France with the USO, is apparently amused as he chats with S/Sgt. Julian Russell, of Cincinnati, in a port battalion mess hall. Question: Who cracked the joke?

Says Vet Jobs Must Be Task For the States

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—President Eric A. Johnston of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce yesterday urged states and municipalities to shoulder the major responsibility for creating job opportunities for returning servicemen in the period of demobilization and reconversion.

Johnston said that during the war there had been a trend toward relative financial independence of states and communities, caused by mushrooming of war plants and manpower shortages, and added he hoped the trend would continue in peace years.

"States and communities cannot carry their proper responsibilities in our constitutional system if they look to the federal government to finance their activities," Johnston said.

He added that it would be impossible to attain post-war employment goals without a large volume of construction—factories, commercial building, improved transportation and communications, farm buildings, utilities and up-to-date housing.

NEW ORLEANS CLEAN UP

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 27.—This "wide open" city is experiencing a partial shutdown on gambling enterprises as a cleanup campaign started by the Ministerial Union culminated in a grand jury hearing. Though three newspapers have cooperated by stopping publication of racing results, police estimate they are still operating in the city, while gambling is still wide open in surrounding parishes.

CHIP SMACKS OLD BLOCK

HOLLYWOOD, Sept. 27.—They suspended work for three days on actor James Craig's current film because Craig showed up the other day with a most unglamorous swollen jaw. The actor explained he was giving boxing lessons to his five-year old son, James Jr., who landed one on Pop's impacted wisdom tooth.

WE'D BE EMBARRASSED, TOO

BOSTON, Sept. 27.—Count Haugwitz Reventlow, preparing a defense against efforts of his former wife, Barbara Hutton Grant, to cut him off from the \$1,500,000 trust fund she created for him, declared here: "Mrs. Grant's suit is obviously brought for the purpose of embarrassing me financially."

WET BLANKET

ATLANTA, Sept. 27.—State Revenue Commissioner Eugene Cook has ordered all liquor dealers to close their doors for two days when the war ends. Cook explained he took the step "to protect citizens of Georgia from possible excesses committed at such time of rejoicing."

TO CHEER 'EM UP

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—Prisoners-of-war interned in Germany will be notified of any military decorations and awards made to them, the War Department has announced through a prisoner-of-war information bureau.

Refuses to Ban Movie As Libel of Roger Touhy

CHICAGO, Sept. 27.—Federal Judge Elwyn R. Shaw denied today a request by Roger Touhy, convicted kidnaper, that the Twentieth-Century Fox film company be restrained from exhibiting the movie, "Roger Touhy, Gangster," on the grounds that it was "a gross and malicious libel" on his character. Touhy, now imprisoned at Stateville Penitentiary, has filed a Federal Court suit in which he seeks \$500,000 damages.

Japs Provide Little Data On American Captives

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—The Japanese government has reported on only very few American prisoners of war in the past year, but similar information from Germany has been "relatively prompt and full," Lt. Col. Joseph B. Kavanaugh, chief of the American section of the POW Information Bureau, said.

Special Craft Building For Assault on Japan

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—Top priority is being given to production of special types of landing craft, combat and cargo vessels being built especially for an assault on Japan, James V. Forrestal, secretary of the Navy, revealed today.

He said these included assault and cargo vessels capable of transporting battle units directly from loading points in the States to Pacific objectives.

Forrestal also said new types of aircraft were in production to meet new situations as American forces drew closer to Japan. He did not elaborate.

RICHMOND DEATH RATE DROPS

RICHMOND, Va., Sept. 27.—The general death rate here has dropped 46 per cent in the last 37 years, according to figures of Dr. Anthony J. Borowski, health department statistician.