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Army, Navy Glider Units Get Pay Rise

FDR Signs Bill for 50 P. C. Boost

WASHINGTON, July 4—Members of Army and Navy glider units won a 50 per cent pay increase yesterday, placing themselves on an equal pay basis with paratroopers and other flight units of air service.

The pay hike came on the heels of legislation increasing pay of expert infantrymen by \$5 to \$10 monthly.

President Roosevelt signed the latest bill which grants increases not to exceed \$50 monthly for officers, warrant officers and nurses assigned to regular glider flights.

The House and Senate swiftly passed the bill without debate during the last hours before their summer recess.

The pay hike had not been authorized before Rep. Powers (D-N.J.), author of the bill, had told the House that regulations did not class glider units as field units.

Glider units rated equal pay, Powers declared, because they must face additional hazards in non-powered planes still in the experimental stage and in open countryside rather than at airfields.

A bill recently signed by the President provides pay increases of \$5 to foot soldiers not in combat areas and \$10 to those in combat groups. Infantrymen must meet qualifications established by the War Department in Washington. Those qualifying will also receive special medals, it was explained.

This legislation makes no reference to either the Navy or the Marine Corps.

Ste-Mère-Eglise Folk Pay Tribute To U. S. Dead

By Andy Rooney

(Stars and Stripes Staff Writer)

STE. MÈRE EGLISE, July 4.—One thousand men and women of this battered little French village paid solemn tribute today to 2,200 American soldiers buried a quarter of a mile from town. Through their mayor, M. Alexander Renaud, they promised that the graves of those soldiers who died to free France would be cared for now and forever by the people of Ste. Mère Eglise.

The ceremony began in the church of Ste. Mère where 1000 adults of the town, together with Frenchmen who made their way here on horseback, cart and bicycle from the surrounding countryside, heard Mass said for the fallen Americans.

Following the prayer, the procession walked slowly in step with the tolling church bell to the cemetery. Two hundred small children leading the procession filled through the rows of new-painted white crosses and knelt to place bouquets of red roses on the soldiers' graves. Flowers had already been placed at the graves of many by the townspeople.

Maj. Ralph W. Yuill, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, the Allied officer in charge of the Civil Affairs office here, spoke briefly followed by Mayor Renaud.

"These boys who have died for the freedom of France," Mayor Renaud said in English, "would all have mothers and wives at home shedding tears for them. They cannot be here but I can assure them that the mothers and wives of France will take care of these graves now and will continue to care for them when the war is over."

Pfc Smith Went to Cherbourg, Captured 150 Nazis and a Fort

By E. M. Llewellyn

(Stars and Stripes Staff Writer)

Now it can be told how Pfc. Thomas B. Smith, of Philadelphia, almost single-handed took one of the key tunnels in the fortifications held by Nazis in the Cherbourg defensive net. Smith was assisted by a patrol consisting of S/Sgt. Charles Brown, of Mt. Gay, W. Va.; S/Sgt. Roy Hersch, Los Angeles; Pfc. John Dick, of Philadelphia, and Pvt. Albert K. Saich, of Los Angeles.

Smith went to Cherbourg and was on the spot when Brown spotted a Nazi soldier diving into a battle-scarred house on the outskirts of the city. Brown's boys gave that dwelling a Chicago stunner from automatic weapons and flushed two Nazis. These Jerries headed on the double for a brace of steel doors hung in a tunnel entrance 100 yards distant. Located at the foot of a rock escarpment, these doors were capable of embracing a locomotive.

Smith sprinted after the racing Germans and the trio arrived at the tunnel entrance in a dead

heat. As the steel doors were swung open to admit the Jerries, Smith joined the party.

Inside, the sight that greeted the eyes of one GI complete with U. S. automatic pistol model 1912 caliber .45, should have been enough to dampen the ardor of a fully-armed infantry company. Germans were thick as fleas on a hound dog. Some were sleeping, others eating, a few were cleaning weapons. Guns of all calibers were stacked conveniently.

Swinging his automatic, Pistol Packing Pfc. Smith demanded the surrender of the entire garrison. Apparently the gleam in his eye added strength to his argument. For as Pfc. Dick came on the scene, armed with a rifle, the Jerries began to file out of their fort.

One reached for his gun. It was his last move. Smith gave him the whole clip while Dick covered the rest of the party.

As Brown's patrol came into the tunnel they were amazed to count 159 Nazi supermen starting their hike to a prisoner-of-war pen.

2nd Division Men Given Medals, Chaplain Decorated for Heroism

2ND INFANTRY DIVISION HQ., July 3.—The award of a Silver Star, one Soldier's Medal and 27 Bronze Stars to men of this division was announced today.

The Silver Star was given to Pfc. Floyd L. Rogers, of Brownwood, Tex., for heroism on June 11. 1/Sgt. Edgar McCoury, of Nottingham, Pa., was awarded the Soldier's Medal for saving another soldier's life following a vehicular accident.

Rogers was moving with "C" Company of his battalion toward a German occupied French town when sniping and machine gun fire on both sides of the column prompted the company commander to strengthen his flank patrols.

Capt. Miller and Rogers moved out in advance of their element and succeeded in wiping out a German strong point. Rogers himself killed seven German soldiers and moved on to wipe out a machine gun nest which had one U. S. squad pinned to the ground. Among the 26 Bronze Star winners was 1/Lt. Harold A. Carlson, regimental chaplain, who helped evacuate wounded from the front lines during battle.

Other Bronze Stars for combat heroism were awarded to the following:

1/Lt. Victor W. Rheim, Philadelphia; T/Sgt. Charles A. Pen-tation, Attoyac, Tex.; Pvt. Albert Perez, New York; Lt. Col. Raymond B. Marlin, Rochester, N.-Y.; Cpl. Charles E. Lane, Hillsdale,

How to Keep That Crease

We can't divulge the man's name, but there is one GI in these parts who amazes everyone with his constantly cleaned and pressed uniforms. Seems he struck up a deep friendship with a crew member of a cross-channel transport plane and has a clean uniform delivered at a Normandy air strip every week.

Mich.; Lt. Col. H. K. Wesson, Okla.; Charles E. Grannan, New-Orleans, La.; Pvt. Leonard G. Hanks, Paskenta, Cal.; Pvt. Victor M. Kress, Jasper, Ind.; Pvt. James J. Wilcox, St-Louis, Mo.; Sgt. Frank Kviatak, Lawton, Okla.; 1/Sgt. William R. Jennings, Salt Lake City; Pfc. John G. Kisling, Hillsboro, Ohio; S/Sgt. Johnny J. Knapp, Cin-Silva, Bolon, N. M.; T/4 Donald L. Roof, Lexington, S. C.; T/Sgt. William G. Doty, Miami, Okla.; T/Sgt. William A. Menz, San Antonio, Tex.; T/5 Melton P. Moore, San Antonio, Tex.; Sgt. Everett C. Timberman, Pitts-ford, Mich.; S/Sgt. Joseph Fitch, L. I., N. Y.; T/4 Earl A. Robertson, Pontiac, Mich.; T/5 William Jack L. Nyquist, Peoria, Ill., and Pfc. Ralph E. Peters, Idabea, Okla.

Jerry Fears The Beachhead Ack-Ack

By Ernie Pyle

One of the most vital responsibilities during the opening weeks of our war on the continent of Europe has been the protection of our unloading beaches, for over and through them must pass without interruption, and in great masses, our buildup of men and material in sufficient masses to roll the Germans clear back out of France. Nothing must be allowed to interfere with that unloading and everything we can lay our hands on is thrown into the guarding of those beachheads and ports. Allied troops police them from the land side while our navies protect them from sneak attacks by sea.

Our great air supremacy makes daytime air assaults rare and costly. It is only at night that the Germans have a chance. They do keep pecking away at us

with night bombers but their main success in this has been in keeping us awake and making us dig our foxholes deeper. The job of protecting the beaches at night has been given over to the anti-aircraft artillery, or ack-ack. I read recently that we have here on the beachhead the greatest concentration of A. A. guns ever assembled. After weeks of being kept awake all night long by the guns and having to snatch your sleep in odd moments during daytime, that is not hard to believe.

The anti-aircraft defenses on the beaches here are commanded by a general officer, which indicates how important it is that his gunners intercept planes even before they near the beaches.

Just as an example of the effectiveness of the A. A., a 14-gun battery shot down 15 planes in

the first two weeks. Up to this time it appears as if the Germans haven't made up their minds what they are trying to do in the air. They wander around all night long, usually in singles and sometimes in numbers, but they don't do a great deal of bombing. Most of them turn away at the first near burst from one of our 90 mm. guns. Our ack-ack men say they think the German pilots are yellow, but having seen the quality of the German fighting for nearly two years now that is hard for me to believe.

The enemy planes often drop flares that light up the whole beach area and then fail to follow through and bomb by the light of their flares.

When the ack-ack from land and sea really hits high gear it forms one of the most picturesque sights I have ever seen. But it isn't a happy sight.

Yanks Capture 2 Key Hills In Drive for La Haye du Puix

Reds Push Past Minsk Toward Estonia, Latvia

MOSCOW, July 4—The advancing Russian armies yesterday were many miles closer to cutting off the German garrison in Estonia and Latvia as they swept on beyond Minsk along a 100-mile front.

Poletsik, the German bastion north of Minsk in which some of the most bitter fighting of the current offensive took place, yesterday was completely in Russian hands, and numerous points between that city and Minsk had been liberated by the Russians.

One report stated that Germans along the Red Army line of march were surrendering by battalions and regiments.

Since the new Soviet offensive was opened in the Chaussy region east of Mogilev 11 days ago, the Russians have moved ahead better than 25 per cent of the way to Berlin.

Some 500 miles still separate the Nazi capital from the Red forces.

U. S. Troops Gain In Drives to Oust Japs from Saigan

PEARL HARBOR, July 4—American troops held strategic new ridge positions today above the town of Garapan and nearby Tanapag Harbor on the north-western coastal stretch of Saipan Island in the Marianas where may center an imminent showdown battle.

Gains of from 500 yards to a mile were made along the entire front Saturday, Adm. Chester Nimitz's communique said.

About 60 per cent of the western Pacific islands is now under American control, according to the communique. Some Yank units were five and one-half miles from the island's northern tip.

Earlier, Nimitz reported burial of 6,000 Japanese dead and disclosed the capture of 2,000 prisoners and destruction of 80 tanks from June 14 to 29.

Saturday's attack was made under aerial, naval and artillery bombardment. It was preceded by a pre-dawn Japanese aerial thrust at transports and screening vessels. These were repulsed with "no damage", the communique said.

British Resume Caen Attack

American forces driving along a 25-mile front yesterday captured two important hill positions and fought their way steadily forward toward La Haye du Puix, important road junction city in the southwest sector of the Cherbourg peninsula. The average advance along the front ranged from two to four miles.

South of Carentan, our troops pushed the Germans back approximately 1,500 yards. It is in this sector that the Germans are nearest the Allied landing beaches. Further to the southwest important gains were made when Hills 121 and 131 were captured, giving the advancing doughboys dominating observation posts and artillery positions.

St. Jores Retaken

It was also announced yesterday that Denneville, near the coast was captured, and that St. Jores had been retaken after the German counterattack which drove the Americans temporarily from the town.

Fighting all along the front was reported to be from hedgerow hedgerow and the Americans were said to be encountering many mine fields as they advanced. To blast the Germans from their fox-holes and slit trenches, American artillery exploded air bursts over the heads of the dug-in Nazis and forced them into the open, where they were exposed to our small-arms fire.

A major attack was also launched yesterday in the British sector, where pressure was resumed with an early-morning artillery barrage and Canadian troops fought their way to an airport outside Caen. The Canadians, using mortar fire, blew up several buildings on the airport, and there were reports of fighting on the field itself. The Germans were said to be using 12 old French tanks as mobile pillboxes on the airfield.

A German counterattack between two British advances toward Caen was being repulsed at last reports.

Air Activity Resumed

After a lull of several days because of unfavorable weather Allied air activity was resumed over the entire beachhead yesterday. Five hundred flying Fortresses bombed German railway installations and airfields behind the lines and fighter escort rounded off the job by attacking road convoys and dumps. Only one response by the Luftwaffe was reported.

Meanwhile, fighter-bombers operating closer to the lines on all sectors were busy with other dumps, convoys and troop concentrations. The RAF also attacked flying-bomb installations in the Pas de Calais area.

Nazi Nurses Okay Care of Prisoners

News of the decent treatment given German prisoners by their American captors has filtered through the German lines, according to one young Nazi taken yesterday.

The news went back through the medium of eight German Red Cross nurses who were isolated in Cherbourg and later sent back as non-combatants. Before they returned they had ample opportunity to visit German prisoners in stockades and hospitals.

Sunday evening the Germans were contacted by front-line radio and a man was sent from the German lines to escort the nurses.

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July Fourth

U.S. Armed Forces operating in France celebrated Independence Day with a bang that set Hitler's super-men back on their heels.
 It all started with a typical GI idea. Fire one round, promptly at 12 noon July 4th, from every weapon operated by American soldiers in Normandy. Aim that shot in the general direction of German military installations and even, Der Fuhrer will hear the combined crash back in the safety of his General Headquarters.
 The idea was no sooner propounded than it swept like wild fire up and down the battlefields of France. Where the enemy was heavily engaged it was to be an extra round, where the front was quiet it was to be "the" round.
 Promptly at noon, July 4th, came the big bang. As the volume of sound unloosed at one precise moment by U. S. forces rolled over the hills and valleys of Normandy it signalled the doom of Nazi tyranny and echoed the message first sounded by our own Liberty Bell. It was a pledge to all the world that France will again be free.

Army Notes

S/Sgt. Bill Rodgers, of North Arlington, N. J., and the 29th Infantry, says there aren't enough medals in QM depots to decorate medical aid men who deserve them. Rodgers was wounded in both legs by enemy machine gun fire and evacuated under fire by medics.

A recommendation for a battlefield promotion has been made for Pvt. John E. Hefferman, of Portland, Me., after he took command of a platoon for four days when his commanding officer became a casualty.

EVERY man in a Ranger battalion whose D-Day feat will be military legend saw movies recently in a battered barn in Normandy when Special Service personnel of Advance Section Communications Zone passed up their staff functions in favor of field operations.

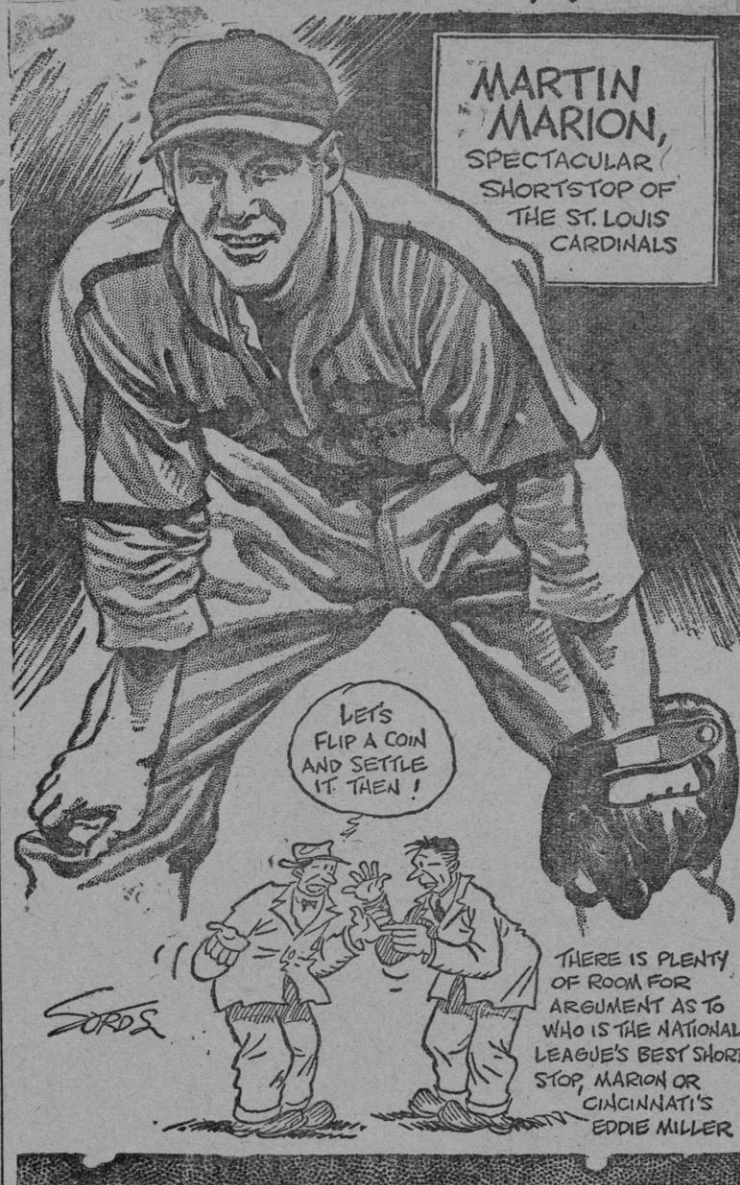
The rugged Rangers, without entertainment of the lighter sort since D-Day, queued up in the best English style throughout the night hours for standing-room space to witness Mickey Rooney in "Blonde Trouble". Repeat shows ran continuously until four AM, when the last man in the battalion had been given his eye full. Then T/4 Philip Weltman, of Brooklyn, and T/5 Bill Armstrong, of Ridgewood, N. Y., marathon projectionists, called it a night.

CPL. Abe Jamall, of Houston, Tex., currently digging fox-holes in Normandy, is one of 23 Jamalls in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard. The family service roster, including cousins, in-laws and brothers, forms four groups of three brothers an three groups of two brothers.

Fifty-six-year-old S/Sgt. Henry J. Lowe, of El Paso, Tex., marche 16 miles inland from the Normandy beachhead at the head of his column to prove that old soldiers can still gel around. This is Lowe's second trip to France. He served with the Fifth Division at St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne 26 years ago.

CHAPLAIN Robert M. Paradis, of Nashua, N. H., one of the first Americans to enter Cherbourg "took" more than 500 German patients and the medical staff at the Louis Pasteur Hospital prisoner when the city fell. First on the scene at the hospital, Father Paradis found the Germans waiting to be captured and merely stayed with them until troops arrived.

DEFENSIVE DEMON By Jack Sords



Kerr Named Democratic Keynoter; Dewey Delays Campaign Barrage

Johnson Chairman Of Convention

NEW YORK, July 4.—Sen. Samuel L. Johnson, of Indiana, has been chosen as chairman of the Democratic convention to be held in Chicago July 19. Gov. Robert S. Kerr, of Oklahoma, will be the keynoter.
 As Vice-President Henry Wallace prepared to return to Washington from Tanchow, China, Sen. Charles Andrews (D-Fla.) declared: "There is considerable demand for an outstanding Southern man as President Roosevelt's running mate."
 "Wallace's sentiments," he continued, "are not popular with many leading Democrats."
 Andrews suggested the President allow the approaching convention a free hand in choosing the Vice-Presidential nominee.
 Meanwhile, Georgia and Mississippi Democrats passed the Fourth of July at the polls.

WAR BOND GOAL SIGHTED

WASHINGTON, July 4.—Sales in the Fifth War Loan Drive moved to within sight of the \$16,000,000,000 goal today. The treasury reported sales through July 3 were 92 percent of the quota, although sales to individuals continued to lag.

HOLIDAY TAKES DEATH TOLL

NEW YORK, July 4.—One of the worst railway and traffic jams in history was predicated for late this afternoon when thousands of people at beaches and summer resorts return to their homes. Already, more than 218 dead have swelled the death toll to within 22 of last year's mark. Since Friday night, 97 persons have been killed in traffic accidents, 62 drowned and 59 killed in accidents attributed to holiday activities.

LUCAS ASSAILS GOP HEADS

CHICAGO, July 4.—Sen. Scott Lucas charged tonight that Republicans had offered to pass his Soldier Vote Bill if he would assure them that President Roosevelt would not again be a candidate for the Presidency. "The plain, unvarnished truth is that Republican leaders in Congress were afraid that these boys would have to vote for their commander in chief," said Lucas.

GOP Headquarters To Open in N.Y.

ALBANY, N. Y., July 4.—Gov. Dewey said today he planned no major speeches in the next two months but added he "may have to travel in the next month," apparently to campaign conferences with other Republican delegates in Chicago.
 Dewey said GOP headquarters would be opened at New York in the Roosevelt Hotel, and that Herbert Brownell Jr., new national chairman, would announce details later. He emphasized the hotel was named for Theodore Roosevelt, not Franklin.
 The Republican standard-bearer declined to discuss the government's attitude in severing diplomatic relations with Finland and would not comment on the possibility that foreign policy might be ruled out as a campaign issue.

BOMBER OUTPUT SOARS

WASHINGTON, July 4.—June production of four-engined bombers was ahead of schedule despite the slump in actual numbers of all planes produced last month. Air Production Chief Charles Wilson reported yesterday. Four-engined bomber output included super Fortresses, Wilson said.

DE GAULLE'S PLANS SET

WASHINGTON, July 4.—Gen. Charles DeGaulle has made definite plans and final arrangements for his visit here, it was learned today. His talks with Vice-President Wallace and others will be on general policy rather than specific issues, it was understood.

THOMAS ASSAILS DEWEY

NEW YORK, July 3.—Norman Thomas, Socialist Party candidate for president, charged that Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, Republican Presidential nominee, has "sidetracked today's issues." He challenged Dewey to answer a series of questions clarifying his stand on the GOP platform.
 Thomas emphasized he was talking about the Republican Party but included in his criticism President Roosevelt, Wendell Willkie, Representative Clara Booth Luce and "power politics" in Europe between London and Moscow.

All-Star Selections Bring Fans' Protest

Majors & Minors

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	PCT.
St. Louis	40	31	.563
Boston	38	32	.543
New York	34	32	.515
Chicago	32	31	.508
Washington	33	36	.478
Cleveland	33	37	.471
Detroit	33	37	.471
Philadelphia	31	38	.449

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	PCT.
St. Louis	45	19	.703
Pittsburgh	34	27	.557
Cincinnati	36	31	.537
New York	34	33	.507
Brooklyn	33	36	.478
Philadelphia	27	37	.422
Boston	28	40	.412
Chicago	23	37	.383

INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	PCT.
Syracuse 11, Baltimore 4			
Toronto 8, Buffalo 2			
Baltimore	39	35	.525
Montreal	38	30	.559
Jersey City	39	31	.557
Buffalo	37	34	.521
Rochester	34	37	.479
Toronto	34	39	.466
Syracuse	30	38	.441
Newark	29	41	.414

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

	W	L	PCT.
Minneapolis 2, St. Paul 1			
Louisville 4, Indianapolis 2			
Other clubs not scheduled.			
Milwaukee	48	24	.667
Columbus	42	25	.627
Louisville	43	28	.606
Toledo	41	27	.603
St. Paul	30	31	.492
Minneapolis	28	37	.431
Kansas City	19	46	.292
Indianapolis	18	41	.261

AFNRadio Log

AEF RADIO SCHEDULE
 Choice Program of
 AMERICAN FORCES NETWORK
 BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION
 (150 kc - 235 m)
 Wednesday, July 5.

- 1215 Jack Payne and his orchestra
- 1300 News
- 1310 Program summary
- 1315 Orchestral concert
- 1400 Falkman and his Apache Band
- 1430 Serenade for strings
- 1500 Music while you work with Eric Winston and his orchestra
- 1530 On the Record
- 1630 Abbott and Costello
- 1700 Music by Joe Reichman
- 1725 BPO Scottish orchestra
- 1755 American sports roundup
- 1900 News
- 1815 Harry James
- 1830 Kate Smith
- 1900 News
- 1915 Round the Halls
- 1945 In a Sentimental Mood—Reg Leonard
- 2000 Home News from the USA
- 2005 Mail Call
- 2035 Chamber Music Society of Lower Main Street
- 2100 World News
- 2110 Home News from Canada
- 2115 Bob Hope
- 2145 Fred Waring
- 2200 Stanley Black and his orchestra
- 2230 Gay Nineties Revue
- 2300 Sign off

Thursday July 6

- 0555 Sign on—SHAEF communique and Prayers
- 0600 Rise and Shine
- 0800 News
- 0815 Spotlight
- 0830 Dudley Hippodrome Orchestra
- 0900 News Headlines and news at dictation speed
- 0920 American Bandwagon
- 0935 Radio Newsreel
- 1000 Victory Parade with Jan Garber
- 1015 Personal Album with Yvette
- 1030 Music While You Work - BBC Variety Orchestra
- 1100 Morning after (Mail Call)
- 1130 Duffie Bag
- 1215 Gerald and his Orchestra
- 1300 News
- 1310 Program summary
- 1315 The Male Man
- 1330 Canadian Army Dance Band
- 1400 Gilbert and Sullivan
- 1430 Radio Playhouse
- 1500 Music While You Work (Percival Macley)
- 1530 On the Record
- 1630 Music We Love
- 1700 Downbeat
- 1730 Orchestral Concert
- 1755 American Sports Roundup
- 1800 News
- 1815 Navy Mixture
- 1900 News
- 1905 Bing Crosby Music Hall
- 1935 Fibber McGee and Molly
- 2000 News From USA
- 2005 Comedy Caravan
- 2030 Sitting on the Fence
- 2100 World News
- 2110 Home News from Canada
- 2145 Dance Band
- 2145 Fred Waring
- 2200 Fanny Brice as Baby Snooks
- 2200 Paul Whiteman Presents
- 2300

NEW YORK, July 4 — There never has been an All Star team picked that met with unanimous approval and this year's major league All Star teams are no exceptions.

While all major loop clubs were idle yesterday, fans and press alike turned their attention to the All Star squads, sharpened their sights and let fly a barrage of criticism at the managers who picked the players to take part in the 12th annual classic on the night of July 11 at Forbes Field, Pittsburgh.
 Most of the howling came from Boston and Cincinnati where diamond enthusiasts thought Jim Tobin, Braves' hurler, and the Red's Clyde Shoun, both of whom have no-hit games to their credit this season, were slighted. Tobin, in fact, has two no-hitters behind him although one will not go into the records because it only stretched through five innings of a curtailed contest.

Other performers neglected by the managers, in the eyes of the bleacher boys, were Mort Cooper of the Cards, Phil Weintraub of the Giants and Frenchy Bordagaray of the Dodgers. Cooper, after a slow start, has pulled up to a spot among the top three twirlers in the N.L. Weintraub playing a lot of first base for the Giants this year, is hitting .337 and leading the league in runs batted in. Phil Cavaretta of the Cubs and Frank McCormick of the Reds, the first sackers named on the All Star team, are both hitting under .300. Bordagaray, spark plug of the Dodgers infield at third base, is playing much better this year than either Whitey Kurowski of the Cards or Bob Elliott of the Pirates who were picked for the All Stars.
 Yankee fans are crying in their beer because Second Baseman George Sternweiss and Outfielder Johnny Lindell were left off the A.L. team.

It is agreed that Boston's Bobby Doer is the best keystone man in the American circuit since Joe Gordon went into service but Sternweiss has been going like a house afire in his leadoff spot and stealing everything on the diamond that isn't nailed down. Joe McCarthy, Yank pilot, who will lead the American Leaguers, said he would name Sternweiss in a minute if he thought he could use two second basemen but agreed with other managers that Doer can handle the job for nine innings.

Another point of criticism is the early date on which managers must submit their All Star selections. McCarthy is one who believes they have to cast their votes too early in the season.
 Aside from the squawks, the squads representing both leagues appear to be as strong as possible considering they're the cream of a war-time crop. The Nationals have a power-packed offensive threat with Dixie Walker, Joe Medwick and Stan Musial as likely starters in the outfield, backed up by such siege guns as Mel Ott, current home run leader of the majors, Bill Nicholson and Vince DiMaggio.

The A.L. outfield is generally short on batting averages but there is a lot of speed and power in Thurman Tucker, George Case, Stan Spence, Bob Johnson and Roy Cullenbine.
 The starting pitchers probably will be Tex Hughson, Red Sox ace with 11 won and three lost, for the Americans, and the rejuvenated Bucky Walters of the Reds who has won 13 and dropped three, for the Nationals.

M' Spaden Wins Open Golf Title

CHICAGO, July 4 — Harold "Jug" McSpaden, of Philadelphia, shot a sub-par 70 to beat Lt. Ben Hogan in an 18 - hole playoff for the National Victory Open golf championship by three strokes. It was McSpaden's first tournament victory of the season and earned for him a first place award of \$3,000 in war bonds which ran his season's winnings to \$3,100. Hogan, who is stationed at Fort Worth, Tex., with the Air Force, won \$1,700 for second place and each received 25 per cent of the gate contributed by 4,000 spectators.
 The playoff was necessitated when both finished in a tie for the lead at the end of regulation play with 273 for 72 holes.