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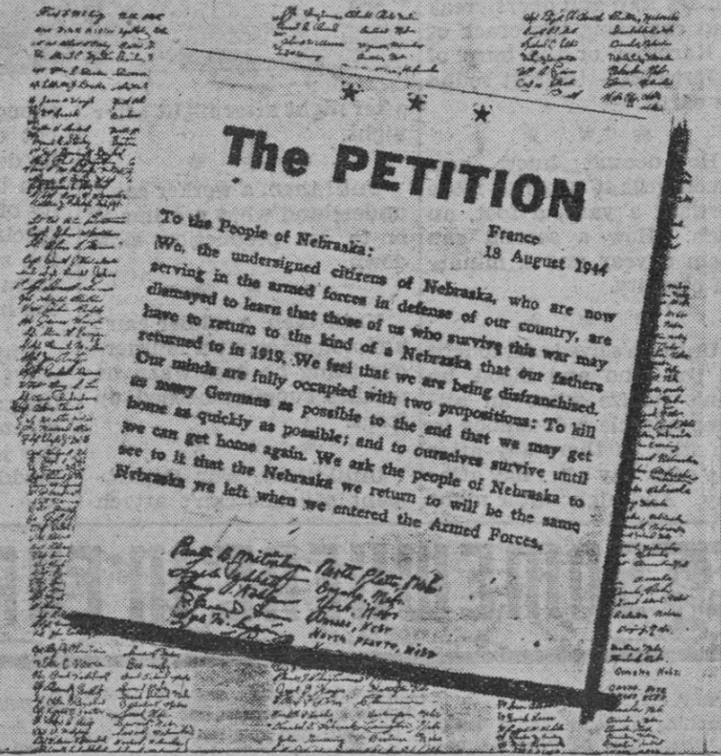
Combat Joes Assail Prohibition Move

V-Bombs Aimed At First Army to Halt Rhine Drive

A Petition From Nebraska's Own 134TH INFANTRY in France

Under Deadly German Fire They Ask You to VOTE NO ON PROHIBITION NOVEMBER 7TH

This is an historic and touching document. It is a petition, written and signed by 111 Nebraska men of the famed 134th Infantry—Nebraska's own regiment—an elite battle-tested unit of the United States Army. It was signed shortly after this regiment made its heroic and bloody breakthrough at St. Lo, for which the unit was especially commended by General Eisenhower. The petition—signed and attested by battle—was sent to former Governor Keith Hellmuth of North Platte by Col. Walter R. Milbrunner, Commander of the regiment. It pleads for a defeat of the proposed state prohibition law in November. Following is an excerpt from Col. Milbrunner's letter accompanying the petition:



Allies Turn France Over To de Gaulle

The U.S., Britain and Russia simultaneously extended complete recognition to the administration of Gen. Charles de Gaulle yesterday as the "provisional government of the French Republic." Others of the United Nations promptly took similar action.

Recognition was granted after a conference between Gen. Eisenhower and de Gaulle authorities which led to the Allied military authorities designating most of France, including Paris, as an "interior zone" in which French authorities will have complete governmental responsibility. The interior zone includes all territory except combat areas and points essential to combat supply, which remain under military control.

Says FDR Is 'Gratified'

Acting Secretary of State Edward R. Stettinius Jr., in announcing the U.S. action, said that Jefferson Caffery, who recently moved into the American Embassy in Paris as diplomatic envoy to the de Gaulle administration, would assume the duties of a regular ambassador.

Caffery issued a statement in Paris last night saying he had notified M. Bidault, French Foreign Minister, of the recognition "with satisfaction and pride" and had "told him of the gratification with which President Roosevelt received the news that an agreement had been reached between the French authorities and the Supreme Allied Commander for the transfer to French administration of full responsibility for the government of the larger part of France."

Paris Doooms Quisling

Georges Suarez, veteran journalist, was convicted of collaborating with the Germans and sentenced to death yesterday as the first of a series of civil purge trials opened in Paris. His hearing took just six hours.

Within the next six months the government expects to try thousands of other alleged quislings at the Palais de Justice.

British Launch New Push in Holland

The Nazis are using flying bombs against American troops invading Germany, it was announced officially yesterday.

Observers said that the Nazis' introduction of the "V-1" robot bomb was aimed at disrupting any U.S. preparations for an attack across the Cologne plain.

There was no indication as to the intensity of the flying bomb attacks, which Edward Murray, United Press correspondent, said were aimed at First U.S. Army in the Aachen sector. He said the attacks accentuated the German belief that the Aachen gateway through which the historical invasions from Germany always came, is the most dangerous sector of the Western front.

Meanwhile, the British Second Army launched its third infantry assault in 24 hours in south-central Holland.

Lunging to within three miles of the German communication center at Hertogenbosch, the British assault was designed to lessen pressure on Lt. Gen. H. D. G. Crerar's First Canadian Army. His force took another stitch in the Scheldt pocket with the reported capture of Schoondijke in the drive to open the port of Antwerp to Allied shipping.

Lt. Gen. George S. Patton's Third U.S. Army, pressing its new attack on a six-mile front east of Nancy, reached Montcourt, one mile beyond captured Besange La Petite. Infantry units plodded through the muddy terrain about a mile beyond the town of Coinvout.

The British Second Army's new attack to strengthen the western side of the Dutch salient and thus contribute to throwing the Germans out of the Scheldt estuary moved along the west bank of the Zuid-willemsvaart Canal.

U.S. Duplicates Buzz Bomb

DAYTON, Ohio, Oct. 23 (ANS).—Germany's robot bomb was duplicated at Wright Field 60 days after parts collected from duds which fell in England arrived here, the Air Technical Service Command reported today.

Work Is Begun On Great Base In Philippines

MACARTHUR'S HQ, LEYTE, Oct. 23.—Work began here today on what Gen. Douglas MacArthur called "a great base for use of all arms in future operations," as American ground forces steadily expanded their positions on all fronts on the Island of Leyte.

The Americans drove the Japs from Palo, their last stronghold on the east coast highway, and the enemy was retreating into the inland hills and jungles under a hail of shells and bombs. MacArthur also announced capture of Hill 522, dominating the northern beaches. Jap resistance continued to be moderate, with no important counter-attacks. The enemy attempted several small-scale raids against U.S. shipping off Leyte, but these attacks were ineffective.

With two Army corps already inland an average of at least five miles all along the front, engineer units rushed repairs on the captured airfields at Tacloban and Dulag and began work on the great new base. The Americans continued their infiltration tactics, in an effort to envelop enemy supply lines the same way the Japs broke U.S. resistance three years ago.

American bombers were active during the day, hitting enemy bases throughout the Philippines. Ninety-four tons of explosives were dropped on Mindanao, with Tagayan, principal communications center on the north of the island, the main target.

TWO U.S. SUBS LOST

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—The loss of the submarine Herring and Golet in the Pacific was announced tonight. Each carried a crew of 65.

Don't Dry-Up Nebraska, Her Sons Plead from Front

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 23.—The war's first crusade to restore prohibition in one of the United States is rapidly approaching a climax in Nebraska, stirring up a political battle which has spread to the battlefields of France.

This new Wet-Dry battle will be decided Nov. 7, when

Cleveland Fire Toll Hits 112

CLEVELAND, Oct. 23.—The death toll in Cleveland's worst fire rose to 112 today as searchers armed with acetylene torches and picks and shovels uncovered 29 more bodies in the smoldering 50-block area over which the gas-fed flame settled Friday.

Police said the final toll might reach 150. Only 24 of the victims have been identified. One hundred and sixty-five homes, industrial plants and businesses were destroyed.

Army VD Rises 300% in France

By Charles W. White
Stars and Stripes Staff Writer.

The U.S. Army's venereal disease rate in France has jumped to three times what it was in the United Kingdom and is steadily increasing, but the Germans had a higher VD figure than the Americans despite the enemy's elaborate and well-controlled system of Wehrmacht brothels.

In Paris alone, the Nazis had an infection rate of 124 per 1,000 men annually.

These figures were revealed yesterday by Lt. Col. Paul V. Padgett, of the Division of Preventative

Medicine, Office of the Chief Surgeon, ETOUSA, who coupled his statement with a plea to soldiers to keep away from professional prostitutes and to take all precautions against contracting VD.

The figures for the German garrison of about 40,000 troops in Paris were contained in a secret enemy document, captured Aug. 27, shortly after liberation of the French capital.

"They did prove one thing most definitely," Col. Padgett said, "and that is that licensed prostitution serves to increase rather than to prevent venereal infection."

According to Col. Padgett, the German set-up was this:

The German medics, suspecting that the French were sabotaging them with women, set up 42 stream-lined Army brothels in Paris, charging 40 francs a girl. The girls were inspected twice a week. There was a pro station in or near each house, and German prophylaxis procedures were almost identical with those of the American Army.

Before a soldier could get a ticket to one of the brothels he had to turn in his dog tag at the pro station. Before he could get his dog tag back he had to get a certificate from the doctor.



Hospital Critic

We in a general hospital in France are not allowed to go outside the hospital even for fresh air. Only relatives may visit us. A GI friend of ours asked a couple of his French girl friends to come visit us to try to cheer us up a little. The hospital authorities objected because we were not related.

What are the wounded GIs going to do? Just sit and twiddle their thumbs? We have often read about the wounded GIs getting the cream of this and that. Gee! where is it?—Pfc. C. R. and Three Others.

Consumer Research

Why encourage us to use V-mail and then give us paper like I am writing on now? No one can write on it with ink without using a one-way stroke with his pen, then the ink runs all over from one side to the other. Why take up such a large portion of our limited writing space with this baby talk all over the bottom of this sheet, that we naturally know anyway? I like to use V-mail because I can see the advantage of it to everyone concerned, but I am becoming discouraged.—Pfc Don L. Burt, Ord.

How's About Movies

Does the Special Service Division send movies overseas for entertainment of soldiers? The group to which our unit is attached has been showing movies in something like a barn in which as many as 500 soldiers enjoy the pictures.

Last Sunday night an officer announced an overcoat had walked off from the back of the barn and that the overcoat was going to walk back, else there would be no more movies except for the personnel of Group Hq.

Monday night soldiers gathered around the barn. A Group sergeant announced there would be no movie except for members of Group Hq., adding: "Our hospitality has been imposed on—" The movie started with 90 or so from Group Hq. as the audience.

A group of soldiers stayed around hoping they might be allowed to see the movie, but a M/Sgt. said: "If you guys are entertaining any idea of sneaking in, you'd better be on your way before you get your rear shot off!" So on the movie went, and a lot of soldiers were deprived of entertainment the U.S. Government went to a lot of trouble to get for them, simply because some GI's overcoat was missing.—C. D. E., FA Bn.

How'll Vermin Feel?

Now I've had it Saturday's issue of the S & S again referred to a Nazi as Herman the German. Along with numerous other long-suffering American Hermans, I have wondered why that particular name typifies the German counterpart of our Sad Sack. Surely, those loyal Americans named Herman, of German extraction, must cringe when they see their name linked so frequently to our enemies.

Why not Vermin the German? Or Ratzl the Nazi?

I appeal to you—notice, no bluster, no threats, no intimidation. On the contrary, I approach you even as my 200-pound, 6-ft. friend Sidney petitioned my one-year old Len years ago. Len could not say Sidney, but managed "Ninny" quite audibly. One day I overheard this big bruiser wheedle: "Len, dear, please don't call me Ninny. Say SSSidney, SSSidney." Please Mr. Editor, don't call him Herman the German.—Herman, M.C.

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Hash Marks

From the pen of some unknown poet comes this new version of an old rhyme:
*My Bonnie lies over the ocean,
My Bonnie lies over the sea,
When she V-mails Unswerving devotion,
My Bonnie lies obviously.*

Security Measure. At an officers' mess somewhere over here a very attractive operator runs the switchboard. Her little office is located



where officers are passing back and forth all the time; so officials have wisely posted a sign on the door reading: "Contact the Operator by Telephone ONLY."

Perish-the-Thought Department. Lt. A. H. McAtee tells us about a GI who had a terrific nightmare. He dreamed he approached the shores of New York and found the Statue of Liberty holding aloft a huge sign reading, "This Town Is Off-Limits To All Troops."

Quip of the Week. When a Nazi officer proudly informed his Yank captor that he was an "Ober-Lieutenant," the GI muttered grimly, "Brother, to me you're just Ober-rated."

Sign of the Times: A classified ad in a U.S. daily read: "Cultured



gentleman with bottle of catsup would like to meet educated woman with a can of beans."

A psychologist on the home front reports that most college girls don't believe in petting. Which just goes to show that you don't always have to believe in what you are doing.

The Russian drive into Czechoslovakia was just like a big-time crap game. The Reds came through on seven passes.

J. C. W.

An Editorial

Muddy, Bloody Men of the Line

Every American ought to do at least one hour of combat duty—infantry style.

That's not a practical idea and we know it. But until a man has done a doggie's job he simply doesn't know the score.

He doesn't know how danger punishes the human nervous system. He can't imagine what it's like to creep down a street of empty houses wondering if they're really as empty as they look. Hearing window shades flap and doors creak and expecting the crack of a Karbiner or the burp of a Jerry MG—the last sound on earth.

He doesn't know how much guts it takes to move forward a yard, a foot, an inch. How a second can seem a year and a minute an eternity.

Until he's lived and fought in the mud and blood, he can't realize what an all-time miracle a doughboy is. To stick in there day after day after day after day after night after night after night.



after night after night after night.

Until then, a worker can't understand what a crime it is to let production slow down.

Until then, a soldier can't understand what a murderous thing he does when he peddles supplies needed up front.

Until then, War Department officials can't attach

enough importance to combat duty in administering its demobilization plan. Nor can they know the inequality of the present system of special pay and privilege for some—with just a few extra dollars a month for the man in the mud.

Until then, the nation can't realize—as it cheers the greatest backfield of the greatest team in history—the job being done by the muddy, bloody men of the line.



Lovely Killer

Searching a house in a small town where they believed German artillery spotters had been working, a Seventh Armored Division patrol heard a slight stir in the basement. The leader of the patrol, S/Sgt. Ernest D. Lucadamo Jr., of Newark, N.J., promptly pulled the pin on a grenade and tossed it down the cellar stairs.

Following the explosion, they heard a girl's scream and Lucadamo, followed by the others, rushed downstairs. Cowering in a corner, surrounded by a pile of German ammunition, dynamite and

mine detonators, was a pretty blonde girl—German, but beautiful. The girl had apparently been the sole occupant of the house and she had been working for the Germans as an artillery spotter from the windows in the top of the house.

Good Time Chalet

Fourth Division infantrymen defeated former German aviators now fighting as infantry in a stubborn scrap at a German village. It was worth it. One building they captured was a spacious old ranch house, along Wild West lines, with the title "Chalet Buffalo Bill, 1902," over the main entrance. The interior was decorated with trophies and hunting photographs.

Signalling Schnauzer

A First Division medical outfit swears by one German prisoner, "Achtung," a captured Jerry dog. He's so used to bombardment that 30 minutes before an enemy barrage comes in he retreats to the cellar shelter, giving everybody plenty of time to take cover.

No Armchair General

Brig. Gen. Julius C. Holmes, who revealed Allied plans for the military government of Germany, approaches the task with a long background of army and administrative experience. But he has also taken personal risks. Holmes was one of the handful of daring officers who undertook the hazardous submarine mission prior to the occupation of North Africa to negotiate with the French in Algeria.

Scent Was 'Left'

"Damn those Engineers!" said 1st Lt. Thomas D. Rodman, Sprata, Ill., who got back to battalion CP about 2200 hours from front-line reconnaissance. "They buried that dead cow and smoothed out the road where I've been turning left, and I didn't smell him and wandered all over the place before I could find you."

Super-Dooper Men

A soldier with a wooden arm and an officer who is blind in one eye and unable to see well out of the other have been captured by U.S. units at the Siegfried Line, according to 1/Lt. William E. Byers, Portland, Ore., Ninth Air Force Lightning pilot, who recently served ten days as air-ground controller with a tank outfit. Byers said the captain wore thick glasses and displayed a scroll excusing him from failure to salute a superior. The soldier surrendered with only one arm upraised, and narrowly missed being shot, Byers said.

One More 'First'

In a few years, a little Belgian kid in Neufchâteau is going to begin to wonder how in hell is name got to be James E. Goforth Halter, instead of Francois or Albert like his little friends.

The story is that just as the stork brought him, an American Tank Destroyer battalion passed through the town.

A jeep with an American lieutenant—James E. Goforth, of Middlesboro, Ky.—stopped outside the Halter house and three excited women rushed out and insisted that the lieutenant come in.

There was a priest in the room and he made it clear that they wanted the new-born baby to be named after the first American they saw. James E. Goforth was it.

Brewery Outpost

When the City of Luxembourg was outposted by Fifth Armored Division men, who had liberated the city earlier in the day, three infantry squads and a tank section commanded by 1/Lt. Robert E. Lundigan, of Los Angeles, established a road block on the outskirts of the city.

That night they envied their friends who had been posted inside the still-festive city. Their disappointment vanished in the morning, though, when they learned that a big building right near them was a brewery. They got the key from friendly civilians.

Up Front with Mauldin



"I'm gonna send this home an' scare my gal outta foolin' around wit' garrison sojers..."

Once Over Lightly

By Charlie Kiley

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—It's a good thing our navy afloat hasn't been plagued with the luck of its football team ashore or our guys in the Pacific probably would be no more. The experts, who haven't been too expert lately—Yankees to win the pennant, Browns to cop the World Series—put the kiss of death on Cmdr. Oscar Hagberg's midshipmen by stamping Navy as their pre-season choice for national grid honors.

The Middies may have believed their press clippings, but North Carolina Pre-Flight and Georgia Tech didn't and both heaved broadsides into Navy hopes. Meanwhile, Army, Notre Dame, Randolph Field and Ohio State, closely followed by Georgia Tech and Penn, roared unbeaten through all their opponents to date to lead the pigskin parade.

But we started off by mentioning Navy's luck, and hell probably would freeze over before you'd find anything to match the misfortune which tripped the sailors Saturday when Georgia Tech won, 17-15. Reading from left to right, this is what happened to the Middies:

(1) A questionable holding decision thwarted 'em on the seven-yard line after a 78-yard downfield march; (2) time ran out in the first half with Navy on Tech's two-yard stripe; (3) the Middies fumbled on Tech's three in the third quarter to muff a scoring opportunity; (4) the clock stopped Navy on Tech's one-inch line at the end of the game, and (5) the Middies outrushed Tech on the ground, 221 yards to minus-six.

SHORT SHOTS: The inside story, as reported by Bob Considine, of why the Swedish track stars.



Haakan Lidman

Gunder Haegg, Arne Andersson and Haakan Lidman, are not coming to America this winter to aid the Sixth War Loan Bond Drive is that each of the trio had a personal problem. Andersson wanted to bring his wife, have all expenses paid and travel by air; Lidman demanded nonstop plane passage from Sweden without a stopover in England, while Haegg's boss, who operates a haberdashery in Malmo, asked for \$1,200 indemnity to offset the shirts, neckties and suspenders he wouldn't sell while Gunder was absent. The Treasury and State Departments, evidently unaccustomed to the ways of some amateur athletes, reportedly were "ever so shocked."

Freshman Claude "Buddy" Young, Illinois' NCAA sprint champion, is being called the swiftest player ever to wear cleated grid shoes. Positive proof that the Civil War is over is shown, by Georgia Tech, which uses Grant Field in Atlanta for its football games. But maybe it's because those southern boys trample on it.

Help Wanted —AND GIVEN

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

APOs WANTED

CPL. Francis McAlister, Tex.; Pvt. James C. Nussey, Brooklyn; Sgt. Kenneth O'Connell, Rosindale; Carmen Pecora, Syracuse; Sgt. Andrew G. Putsch, Pittsburgh; Sgt. Kenneth Roberts, Salem, Mass.; Lt. Andrew Sibick, Scranton; Capt. John D. Striegel, Ft. Worth.

PVT. Donald J. Hempe, 42120422; Lt. David A. Huffines; Pvt. James Irwin, Cal.; Sgt. Edward Kaifner, Cincinnati; Alex. Kusmanavitch; Sgt. Daniel J. Lawler; Lt. Earl R. Lazear, Delaware; Cpl. Gerald Frank; Lt. Charles W. Lambert, 01578738; Pfc. Martin, Grotton, Mass.; Lt. Joel S. Mattison, Interlaken; Lt. Charles P. McHaffey, Philadelphia; Lt. Fred Pfeiffer, Union City, N.J.; Lt. G. B. Palm, Chint; Pvt. Victor Papa, Providence.

Packers Subdue Rams, 30-21

Blackout Makes Grid Pilot See Red

BIGLERVILLE, Pa., Oct. 23.—Some unprincipled rascal short-circuited the lighting system here with two minutes to go in the first half of a high school game and now there's hell to pay.

Red Lion high was leading Biglerville, 6-0, when everything went black. Coach Henry Bream of Biglerville claims foul play and wants to play it over, but Charlie Spangler, Red Lion coach, says the game is official because gate receipts were not refunded.

Ramblers Tip Soldiers, 67-0

FT. WORTH, Texas, Oct. 23.—The mighty Randolph Field Ramblers, generally regarded as the greatest football team in the country, ran wild for the fifth straight week when they bewildered Camp Polk, 67-0, here yesterday.

Bill Dudley, Pete Layden, Jack Russell and their cohorts thrilled a crowd of 10,000 by gaining 419 yards on the ground, while Camp Polk gained ten through the air and lost 28 on the ground.

The fliers never lost the ball on downs in the first half and sported a 54-0 margin at the intermission. They scored almost at will every time they gained possession of the ball.

The Ramblers had previously knocked off Abilene AAF, Rice, Texas and Southern Methodist.

Iowa Seahawks Drub Fort Warren, 30-0

IOWA CITY, Oct. 23.—The high-g geared Iowa Pre-Flight Seahawks smashed their way to a 30-0 victory over Fort Warren here yesterday.

The longest run of the game was fashioned by Bob Smith, who sprinted 72 yards to score in the third quarter after catching a Fort Warren punt.

DIMAGGIO BACK HOME SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 23.—S/Sgt. Joe DiMaggio, former Yankee outfielder, has been returned to the States from Hawaii for "medical observation and treatment," the Fourth AAF has disclosed.

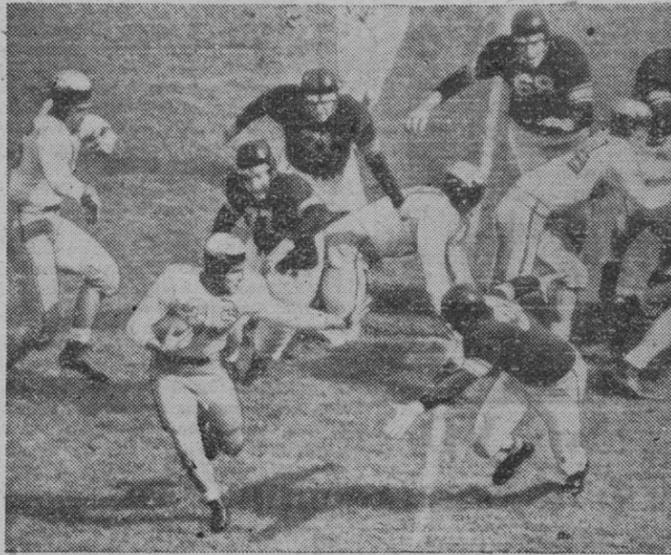
'Skins Topple Tigers, 17-14

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—A 32-yard field goal in the fourth quarter by Joe Aguirre brought home a 17-14 triumph for the Washington Redskins over the Brooklyn-Tigers before 34,000 customers at Griffith Stadium here yesterday.

Frank Filchock and Slingin' Sammy Baugh, who flew from his Texas ranch for the game, completed 22 of 41 passes to pick up 234 yards. Filchock connected with Aguirre for one touchdown, while another of his pitches to the same gent paved the way for Wilbur Moore to knife through from the two.

Pug Manders plowed two yards for Brooklyn's first sixpointer, and a pass from Cecil Johnson to Bob Masterson accounted for the other Flatbush touchdown.

Too Many 'Cats in This Play



Jim Mello (36), Great Lakes fullback, is checked for no gain as Northwestern players, Guard Ray Justak (77), Tackle Earl Crum (71), Quarterback Himmy Powers (68), and Halfback Jack Doyle (37), close in for the kill. The sailors won, 25-0, but they weren't so lucky last Saturday, when Ohio State dumped them from the unbeaten ranks, 26-6.

Bears Tie Detroit, 21-21, On Gene Ronzani's Passes

CHICAGO, Oct. 23.—Gene Ronzani's 38-yard payoff pass to Ray McLean in closing minutes earned a 21-21 stand-off for the Chicago Bears with the Detroit Lions here yesterday before 23,000 fans at Wrigley Field.

Ronzani's aerial wizardry was responsible for all three Chicago touchdowns. He hit McLean with a 28-yard pitch in the second period for another counter, and tossed a 20-yard strike to Bill Mooney, who churned the remaining 40 yards without being molested, in the third quarter.

With Fireball Frankie Sinkwich and Bob Westfall setting the pace, the Lions marched 73 yards to score in the second quarter, Westfall climaxing the drive with a two yard plunge. Westfall tallied again on a 75-yard excursion, while Sinkwich's pass to Jack Natheson completed the day's point production.

Sinkwich booted the three Detroit conversions, while Pete Gudauskas did likewise for the Bears.

Paschal Leads Giants To Easy 23-0 Triumph

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Halfback Billy Paschal, devoting his free time from the Maritime Service to football, scored three touchdowns as the New York Giants whitewashed the Pitt-Cards, 23-0, here yesterday before 40,000 fans at the Polo Grounds.

Two of his touchdown jaunts were short thrusts through the middle of the line, but the third was a 45-yard broken-field run.

Hilltoppers Lose, 13-12

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 23.—Dick DeShazo scored one touchdown and booted the necessary extra point to carry his Lincoln AAF eleven to a 13-12 photo-finish victory over Marquette here yesterday. Fullback Lou Mayne chugged two yards for the other AAF tally, while End Bob Wainsey scored both Hilltopper touchdowns.

Fliers Top Marines

RIVERSIDE, Cal., Oct. 23.—The rugged Fourth AAF football machine from March Field ground out a 20-14 decision over the Eltoro Marines here yesterday. The Marines closed fast to score on a pass in the third period and on a blocked punt in the fourth. A pass from Sam Nelson to Woody Strode produced the winning touchdown.

BAINBRIDGE DUMPS GIs

WILLIAMSBURG, Va., Oct. 23.—Harry Hopp, former Detroit Lions ace, dashed 66 yards with a punt in the fourth quarter here yesterday to give Bainbridge Naval a 7-0 victory over the Camp Peary Pirates. It was the sailors' 11th straight win in two years.



Sammy Baugh

Laws, Comp Spearhead Green Bay

GREEN BAY, Wis., Oct. 23.—The Green Bay Packers cast aside the Cleveland Rams' challenge for first place in the western division of the National Football League by defeating the Rams, 30-21, here yesterday in a bitterly contested game.

The Rams wasted no time grabbing a lead in the first period when Tom Colello recovered a fumble by Don Hutson after the great Packer

Pro Grid Standings

EASTERN DIVISION					
	W.	L.	T.	Pts.	OP
New York	3	0	0	59	17
Philadelphia	2	0	1	97	38
Washington	2	0	1	69	59
Boston	0	4	0	31	109
Brooklyn	0	4	0	42	64

WESTERN DIVISION					
	W.	L.	T.	Pts.	OP
Green Bay	5	0	0	147	63
Cleveland	3	1	0	90	82
Detroit	1	2	1	63	82
Chicago Bears	1	2	1	99	89
Pitt-Cards	0	4	0	42	121

end had caught a long pass. Two plays later, Colello galloped 75 yards behind a squad of blockers to score.

The inevitable struck a moment later, however, when Irv Comp shot an 11-yard pass to Hutson, who was downed one yard from the goal. Ben Starrett plowed over on the next play and the first quarter ended in a 7-7 tie, with Hutson adding the first of four extra points for the Packers and Lou Zontini the first of three for the Rams.

Joe Laws' touchdown for the Packers early in the second quarter was canceled when Halfback Mike Kabealo scampered 25 yards to score for the Rams. The Packers surged ahead to stay, however, when Lou Brock snared a pass from Comp just before the half ended.

A two-yard buck by Ted Fritsch accounted for the fourth Green Bay touchdown, while a safety was added when Albie Reiz stepped out the back end of the end zone trying to elude a pack of tacklers. Colello's perfect strike to Jim Benton resulted in Cleveland's final six-pointer.

Eagles Pummel Yanks

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 23.—The Philadelphia Eagles handed the Boston Yanks their fourth straight league defeat, scoring in every period to run up a 38-0 triumph before 24,000 fans here yesterday.

Mel Bleeker headed the scoring parade with two touchdowns, while Ernie Steele, Steve Van Buren and Johnny Durko each contributed one. Roy Zimmerman booted five conversions and a 49-yard field goal.



Saturday's Games

Delaware State 7, Howard 6.
Southern 19, Arkansas State 13
Virginia St. 32, Hampton Institute 6.

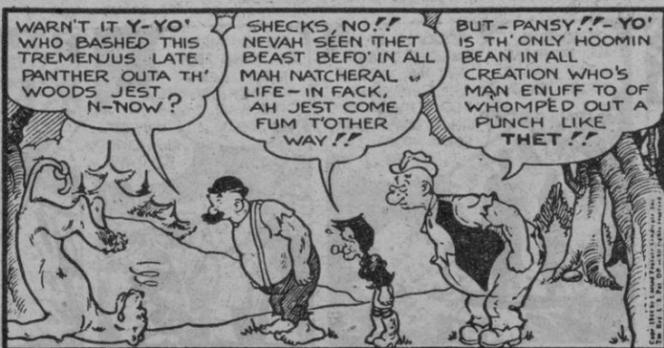
Sunday's Games

San Diego Naval 69, F. MacArthur 0.
Bainbridge Naval 7, Camp Peary 0.
Iowa Pre-Flight 30, Fort Warren 0.
Tonopah 40, Compton Junior College 7.
St. Thomas 25, St. Mary's 7.
March Field 20, Eltoro Marines 14.
Randolph Field 67, Camp Polk 0.
Morris Field 29, Cherry Pt. Marines 7.
Lubbock AAF 13, Marquette 12.
Ottumwa Naval 33, Camp Ellis 0.
Camp Campbell 19, Bowman Field 0.

Lil' Abner

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By Al Capp



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Reds Advance On Key Forts In E. Prussia

The Red Army hammered into East Prussia along three of the main rail lines leading to Insterburg and the great supply fortress of Koenigsberg, capturing the strategic town of Goldap, southeast of Insterburg, the Germans admitted yesterday.

Marshal Stalin, breaking his long silence on the East Prussian battle, announced in an order of the day last night that the Red Army was 18 miles inside the Junker land on an 84-mile front. He said 400 inhabited localities in East Prussia had been occupied.

Berlin announced that members of the Luftwaffe as well as the new People's Army had been thrown into the line to combat the Russian invasion.

Just to the north, in Lithuania, the Reds were reported closing in on the Germans in the Memel area, while Soviet warships were said to be plying the Baltic Sea freely, threatening German sea lanes to Sweden.

Reds at Norwegian Border

Moscow Radio announced that Marshal Stalin, in an order of the day, declared the entire Petsamo area had been cleared of enemy troops and that the Soviet forces had reached the Norwegian frontier.

To the south, Czechoslovak partisans were reported ready and waiting for the Russians, who are advancing into that country through passes of the Carpathians.

The Russian drive northeast of Debreczen threatened to surround Budapest, cutting communications between the Hungarian capital and Vienna.

Marshal Tito, Yugoslav Partisan leader, said his men on the western coast of the country had liberated Omis, important Adriatic harbor southeast of Split.

Rain and Mud Impede Allied Armies in Italy

ROME, Oct. 23 (AP)—The Eighth Army inched up the Adriatic coast today, occupying Cervia, four miles north of Cesena, on the coastal road.

In the muddy hills where the Fifth Army is slogging slowly forward toward Bologna, additional rain again hampered operations, but positions recently captured were consolidated despite arrival of enemy reinforcements. The Americans are now about eight miles from the southern outskirts of Bologna.

2 Orphaned Sons of Yanks Flown to New Homes in U.S.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The English-born sons of two Americans who were killed in action arrived here today to live with their American grandparents. The English mothers of both babies died in childbirth.

The first to arrive was seven-month-old "Little Boy Blue," son of an American infantryman killed in France before he married his English sweetheart and before his child was born.

The second baby was Kenneth Barry Maloney, the six-month-old son of Kenneth Maloney, of Grand Rapids, Mich., a fighter pilot killed on his 101st combat mission. Kenneth Jr. was the youngest passenger ever to fly the Atlantic in an Army Transport Command plane.

In both cases the Army winked at priority and passport boards to get the babies aboard the transatlantic planes.

The identity of "Little Blue Boy," who arrived at LaGuardia Field cooling happily in his knit blue wool suit, remains a secret. The child's paternal grandparents made a plea to President Roosevelt, asking that they be given immediate custody of the child after his maternal grandparents, who were caring for him, were killed several months ago by a flying bomb.

Only a dozen persons know the

Penicillin May Not Work All the Time

Despite the fact VD no longer means a pay stoppage for GIs, and despite "consoling" talk about medical marvels such as penicillin, soldiers last week were warned by Lt. Col. Paul V. Padgett not to become careless about exposure to infection.

The U.S. Army in France now is treating syphilis with penicillin instead of the arsenic drugs, mainly because it requires less hospitalization, but there is no scientific proof as yet that the new method is better than the old, Col. Padgett said.

About 95 percent of gonorrhea cases are curable within one day by use of penicillin, the control officer said, adding: "But the other five percent are just as serious and complicated as gonorrhea can be."

Army's VD Up in France

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tag back he had to take a pro and fill in a detailed record.

Despite this almost foolproof system, Col. Padgett stated, the captured records show that from Jan. 1, 1944, to Aug. 16, the Germans had 3,106 new cases of venereal disease among the Paris garrison—and 84 percent of the infections came from licensed professional prostitutes in the official houses.

Ten percent of the men were infected by "girl friends," and 6 percent by casual pickups.

Though the Germans sentenced 3,560 streetwalkers to concentration camps, their own army brothels continued to spread a stream of infection. The VD figures did not drop.

"Somebody higher up," Col. Padgett surmised, "must have decided to continue the houses in operation despite their bad record." It showed about 18 percent syphilis and 82 percent gonorrhea, a normal ratio, he said.

Discussing licensed streetwalkers in France, (disorderly houses have been put off-limits to Allied soldiers), Col. Padgett said 15 percent of the girls have gonorrhea when licensed. He added that all have it within three months, and within nine months they all have syphilis.

FIRE DAMAGES N.Y. CHURCH

NEW YORK, Oct. 23 (ANS).—Fire caused extensive damage yesterday in the imported Hastings marble steeple of Marble Collegiate Church on Fifth Ave., oldest Evangelical Church in the U.S. before firemen with 85-foot aerial ladders extinguished the blaze. Two hundred servicemen were attending services in the basement but no one was injured.

World Police Quota for U.S. Faces Solons

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (AP).—The allocation of quotas of troops, warships and planes to be used as U.S. security forces is expected to be proposed to Congress under President Roosevelt's call for arrangements to act quickly with other nations to suppress future Hitlers.

This is understood by officials here to be the plan behind President Roosevelt's declaration in his foreign policy speech in New York Saturday. He urged that the U.S. delegate to the proposed world security council have advance authority from Congress to act, each time a breach of peace developed.

The issue of how to provide American forces if and when the United States decides to participate in a world organization is not part of the Dumbarton Oaks plan, but a domestic question.

As outlined by authorities here, first approach to the problem, assuming United Nations' approval of the organization, would be Senate action on a treaty guaranteeing United States' use of forces whenever the world security council decided it was necessary. Later, another treaty would provide that the United States furnish certain numbers of ships, planes and men which would always be available for quick use.

Aegean Island Falls to Allies

ROME, Oct. 23.—The German garrison of Evvoia, large Aegean island adjacent to the Greek mainland, surrendered today to British soldiers and Greek patriots as German forces on the mainland continued their retreat through Northern Greece.

Lonos, another Aegean island, has been occupied by British forces in the clean-up of German-held islands lying off the coast of Greece.

Meanwhile, the British land drive to clear the Germans from the mainland continued with RAF attacks on rail transportation in the midcoastal area.

Ball Switches To Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Sen. Joseph H. Ball (R-Minn.) announced today that he would "vote for and support President Roosevelt."

Ball, one of the foremost GOP internationalists, said he believed that Mr. Roosevelt was in a better position to get public backing for a strong peace organization and that Gov. Thomas E. Dewey's "mandate from the people would be confused and weak and his leadership would be hampered by a serious division between his own supporters."

Gen. McNarney Takes Post in Mediterranean

ALLIED MEDITERRANEAN HQ., Oct. 23.—Lt. Gen. Joseph McNarney, newly-arrived from Washington, took up his duties today as deputy supreme Allied commander in the Mediterranean theater and commanding general of the U.S. Army in the North Africa theater. He succeeds Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers, now commanding the Sixth Army Group in France.

Makes Big Splash in Pacific



Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who has fulfilled his dramatic two-year vow to return to the Philippines, slogs knee-deep in water to return to his barge after visiting troops on Morotai Island in the Halmaheras. Man on the left is a Navy doctor.

Petition

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in Nebraska's leading newspaper, the Omaha World Herald, as a full-page political advertisement.

The petition, as set forth in the ad, was "soiled and grimed by battle" and signed during the battle for St. Lo. It was sent to former Gov. Keith Neville, leader of move against dry law, by Col. Butler B. Miltonberger of the 134th.

The Drys are campaigning on the theory that prohibition failed before because it was not properly enforced and that servicemen and women are not being discriminated against because they have a vote in the election.

The Wet forces claim prohibition had its chance and flopped; that it isn't fair to bring up the question while fighting men are overseas, and that Nebraska would lose \$4,000,000 in liquor and beer taxes and fees.

The proposal, placed on the ballot after a petition signed by 70,000 voters advocated amending the Prohibition Act, carries no penalty for liquor sales. This would have to be provided by the legislature, which meets in January.

Determined to turn this Nebraska test into crushing defeat for prohibitionists that will discourage similar dry crusades in other states, the anti-Dry forces are spending a reported \$250,000 to defeat the amendment. Breweries and distilleries have provided most of the fund.

Aircraft Workers Back After GIs Rout Pickets

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 23 (AP).—The day shift of 8,000 men returned to work at North American's bomber plant this morning, ending a work stoppage which began Thursday. Forty soldiers and sailors staged a demonstration at the factory's gates Saturday, dispersing pickets and ripping down strike posters.

2 Latin States Depose Chiefs

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 23 (Reuter).—Presidents were overthrown in two Central American republics, Guatemala and Salvador, over the weekend, and disorders were reported continuing last night.

Boy Scouts were reported directing traffic in Guatemala City after police had been interned in their barracks. Gen. Ponce, provisional president since July, was deposed but there was no indication what form of government, if any, had been established.

In Salvador, a military dictatorship was reported established under Col. Osmin Aguirre, ex-police chief of Salina, who threw out President Andres Ignacio Menendez.

Mightiest RAF Force Follows Up U.S. Raids

The largest force of RAF heavy bombers ever seen in the air was reported en route to continental targets yesterday evening following up Sunday's lossless attacks by 2,500 American and British planes.

Sunday's three assaults on six targets in eastern Germany were the first mass raids to escape casualties.

In Southern Europe, Italy-based U.S. heavy bombers attacked military objectives in western Czechoslovakia and in the Munich, Regensburg and Augsburg areas.

Labor Secretary Warns On Cutting Minimums

BOSTON, Oct. 23 (UP).—Secretary of Labor Frances Perkins warned today that efforts will be made to lower labor standards during the reconversion period. She said in an address that standards now provided in various minimum wage laws must be maintained after the war.

Terry And The Pirates

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